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aggregate\_indicator\_score  
*Aggregate Indicator Scores*

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### Description

Computes summary scores from an evidence table, grouped by one or more columns.

### Usage

```
aggregate_indicator_score(
  ev,
  by = "indicator_id",
  method = c("mean", "min", "weighted")
)
```

### Arguments

ev	A valid evidence data.frame.
by	Character vector of column names to group by. Default: c("indicator_id").
method	Aggregation method: "mean", "min", or "weighted". The "weighted" method uses <a href="#">severity_to_weight()</a> and <a href="#">result_to_score()</a> .

**Value**

A data.frame with grouping columns plus score (0–1) and n\_evidence (count of rows).

**Examples**

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
ev <- suppressMessages(as_evidence(
  data.frame(
    asset_type = rep("validation", 3), asset_id = rep("ADSL", 3),
    source_name = rep("pinnacle21", 3),
    indicator_id = c("SD0001", "SD0001", "SD0002"),
    indicator_name = c("SD0001", "SD0001", "SD0002"),
    indicator_domain = rep("quality", 3),
    severity = c("high", "medium", "low"),
    result = c("fail", "warn", "pass"),
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  ),
  ctx = ctx
))
aggregate_indicator_score(ev, by = "indicator_id", method = "weighted")
```

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as\_evidence

*Coerce to Evidence Table*


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**Description**

Takes a data.frame and coerces it into a valid evidence table. Fills in missing nullable columns with NA of the correct type and validates controlled vocabulary columns.

**Usage**

```
as_evidence(x, ctx = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A data.frame (or tibble) with at least the required evidence columns.
ctx	An optional <code>r4sub_run_context</code> . If provided, <code>run_id</code> and <code>study_id</code> are filled from the context when missing.
...	Additional columns to set (e.g., <code>asset_type = "validation"</code> ).

**Value**

A data.frame conforming to the evidence schema.

## Examples

```
ctx <- r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV")
df <- data.frame(
  asset_type = "validation",
  asset_id = "ADSL",
  source_name = "pinnacle21",
  indicator_id = "P21-001",
  indicator_name = "Missing variable",
  indicator_domain = "quality",
  severity = "high",
  result = "fail",
  message = "Variable AGEU missing",
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)
ev <- as_evidence(df, ctx = ctx)
```

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bind\_evidence

*Bind Evidence Tables*

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## Description

Row-binds multiple evidence data.frames after validating each one.

## Usage

```
bind_evidence(...)
```

## Arguments

... Evidence data.frames to bind.

## Value

A single combined evidence data.frame.

## Examples

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
make_ev <- function(ind_id) {
  suppressMessages(as_evidence(
    data.frame(
      asset_type = "validation", asset_id = "ADSL",
      source_name = "pinnacle21", indicator_id = ind_id,
      indicator_name = ind_id, indicator_domain = "quality",
      severity = "low", result = "pass",
      stringsAsFactors = FALSE
    ),
    ctx = ctx
  )
}
```

```

    ))
  }
  ev1 <- make_ev("IND-001")
  ev2 <- make_ev("IND-002")
  combined <- suppressMessages(bind_evidence(ev1, ev2))
  nrow(combined)

```

canon\_result *Canonical Result Values*

**Description**

Maps common result/status labels to the canonical set: pass, fail, warn, na.

**Usage**

```
canon_result(x)
```

**Arguments**

x Character vector of result values.

**Value**

Character vector with canonical result labels.

**Examples**

```
canon_result(c("PASS", "Failed", "Warning", "N/A"))
```

canon\_severity *Canonical Severity Values*

**Description**

Maps common severity labels (case-insensitive) to the canonical set.

**Usage**

```
canon_severity(x)
```

**Arguments**

x Character vector of severity values.

**Value**

Character vector with canonical severity labels.

**Examples**

```
canon_severity(c("HIGH", "Low", "warning", "Error"))
```

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```
define_xml_to_evidence
```

*Parse Define-XML to Evidence*

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**Description**

Reads a Define-XML 2.0/2.1 file and extracts dataset, variable, and derivation completeness checks into the standard evidence table format. Three indicators are evaluated for each asset:

**Q-DEFINE-001** Dataset is present and has a non-empty label.

**Q-DEFINE-002** Variable is documented (has label and dataType).

**Q-DEFINE-003** Derivation text is present for derived variables.

**Usage**

```
define_xml_to_evidence(file, ctx, source_version = "2.1")
```

**Arguments**

**file** Character. Path to a Define-XML file (.xml).

**ctx** An [r4sub\\_run\\_context](#) providing run and study metadata.

**source\_version** Character. Version label for the Define-XML standard. Default: "2.1".

**Value**

A data.frame conforming to the evidence schema, one row per dataset-level check (Q-DEFINE-001), per variable check (Q-DEFINE-002), and per derivation check (Q-DEFINE-003).

**Examples**

```
# Build a minimal Define-XML 2.1 document
xml_txt <- '<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<ODM xmlns="http://www.cdisc.org/ns/odm/v1.3"
      xmlns:def="http://www.cdisc.org/ns/def/v2.1">
  <Study OID="STUDY001">
    <MetaDataVersion OID="MDV.001" Name="Define-XML 2.1">
      <def:ItemGroupDef OID="IG.ADSL" Name="ADSL" SASDatasetName="ADSL"
        Repeating="No" Purpose="Analysis"
        def:Label="Subject-Level Analysis Dataset">
```

```

      <ItemRef ItemOID="IT.ADSL.USUBJID" Mandatory="Yes"/>
      <ItemRef ItemOID="IT.ADSL.AGE" Mandatory="Yes"/>
    </def:ItemGroupDef>
    <ItemDef OID="IT.ADSL.USUBJID" Name="USUBJID"
      DataType="text" Length="20"
      SASFieldName="USUBJID">
    <Description><TranslatedText>Unique Subject Identifier</TranslatedText></Description>
    </ItemDef>
    <ItemDef OID="IT.ADSL.AGE" Name="AGE"
      DataType="integer" Length="8"
      SASFieldName="AGE">
      <Description><TranslatedText>Age</TranslatedText></Description>
      <def:Origin Type="Derived">
      <def:Description><TranslatedText>Derived from RFSTDTC</TranslatedText></def:Description>
      </def:Origin>
    </ItemDef>
  </MetaDataVersion>
</Study>
</ODM>'
tmp <- tempfile(fileext = ".xml")
writeLines(xml_txt, tmp)
ctx <- r4sub_run_context("STUDY001", "DEV")
ev <- define_xml_to_evidence(tmp, ctx)
nrow(ev)

```

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evidence\_schema

*Evidence Table Schema Definition*


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## Description

Returns the column specification for the R4SUB evidence table. Each element describes a column's expected R type and, where applicable, the set of allowed values.

## Usage

```
evidence_schema()
```

## Value

A named list. Each element is a list with type (character) and optionally allowed (character vector) or nullable (logical).

## Examples

```
str(evidence_schema())
```

evidence\_summary      *Summarize Evidence*

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### Description

Returns a summary data.frame with counts grouped by domain, severity, result, and source.

### Usage

```
evidence_summary(ev)
```

### Arguments

ev                      A valid evidence data.frame.

### Value

A data.frame with columns: indicator\_domain, severity, result, source\_name, and n.

### Examples

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
ev <- suppressMessages(as_evidence(
  data.frame(
    asset_type = "validation", asset_id = "ADSL",
    source_name = "pinnacle21", indicator_id = "SD0001",
    indicator_name = "SD0001", indicator_domain = "quality",
    severity = "high", result = "fail",
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  ),
  ctx = ctx
))
evidence_summary(ev)
```

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export\_evidence      *Export Evidence Table to File*

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### Description

Validates the evidence table then writes it to disk in the requested format. Metadata attributes (exported\_at, r4subcore\_version, nrow) are attached to the returned path value for traceability.

### Usage

```
export_evidence(evidence, file, format = c("csv", "rds", "json"))
```

**Arguments**

evidence	A valid evidence data.frame (as produced by <code>as_evidence()</code> ).
file	Character. Destination file path (including extension).
format	Character. One of "csv", "rds", or "json". Default: "csv".

**Value**

Invisibly returns file with attributes:

**exported\_at** POSIXct timestamp of export.

**r4subcore\_version** Package version string.

**nrow** Number of rows written.

**Examples**

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
ev <- suppressMessages(as_evidence(
  data.frame(
    asset_type = "validation", asset_id = "ADSL",
    source_name = "pinnacle21", indicator_id = "SD0001",
    indicator_name = "SD0001", indicator_domain = "quality",
    severity = "high", result = "fail",
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  ),
  ctx = ctx
))
tmp_csv <- tempfile(fileext = ".csv")
out <- suppressMessages(export_evidence(ev, tmp_csv, format = "csv"))
file.exists(out)
```

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 hash\_id

*Generate a Stable Hash ID*


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**Description**

Creates a deterministic hash from one or more character inputs. Uses MD5 via base R's [digest-like approach](#) for a lightweight, dependency-free implementation.

**Usage**

```
hash_id(..., prefix = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

...	Character values to hash together. Concatenated with " ".
prefix	Optional prefix prepended to the hash (e.g., "RUN", "IND").

**Value**

A character string of the form `prefix-hexhash` or just `hexhash`.

**Examples**

```
hash_id("ADSL", "rule_001")
hash_id("my_study", "2024-01-01", prefix = "RUN")
```

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import_evidence	<i>Import Evidence Table from File</i>
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**Description**

Reads an evidence table that was previously saved by `export_evidence()`, then validates it against the evidence schema.

**Usage**

```
import_evidence(file, format = c("csv", "rds", "json"))
```

**Arguments**

file	Character. Path to the file to read.
format	Character. One of "csv", "rds", or "json". Default: "csv".

**Value**

A validated evidence data.frame conforming to the evidence schema.

**Examples**

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
ev <- suppressMessages(as_evidence(
  data.frame(
    asset_type = "validation", asset_id = "ADSL",
    source_name = "pinnacle21", indicator_id = "SD0001",
    indicator_name = "SD0001", indicator_domain = "quality",
    severity = "high", result = "fail",
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  ),
  ctx = ctx
))
tmp_rds <- tempfile(fileext = ".rds")
suppressMessages(export_evidence(ev, tmp_rds, format = "rds"))
ev2 <- suppressMessages(import_evidence(tmp_rds, format = "rds"))
nrow(ev2)
```

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json_safely	<i>Safely Serialize to JSON String</i>
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**Description**

Converts an R object to a valid JSON string. Returns "{}" on failure or for NULL/empty inputs.

**Usage**

```
json_safely(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An R object to serialize.

**Value**

A single character string containing valid JSON.

**Examples**

```
json_safely(list(a = 1, b = "hello"))  
json_safely(NULL)
```

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normalize_01	<i>Normalize to 0–1 Range</i>
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**Description**

Applies min-max normalization to a numeric vector, optionally clamping values to [0, 1].

**Usage**

```
normalize_01(x, direction = c("higher_better", "lower_better"), clamp = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x                    Numeric vector.  
direction            Character. "higher\_better" (default) maps max to 1; "lower\_better" maps min to 1.  
clamp                Logical. If TRUE, clamp output to [0, 1].

**Value**

Numeric vector normalized to 0–1.

**Examples**

```
normalize_01(c(10, 20, 30, 40, 50))
normalize_01(c(10, 20, 30), direction = "lower_better")
```

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p21_to_evidence	<i>Parse Pinnacle21 Output to Evidence</i>
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**Description**

Converts a data.frame of Pinnacle21-style validation results into the standard evidence table format. Column names are detected case-insensitively.

**Usage**

```
p21_to_evidence(
  p21_df,
  ctx,
  asset_type = "validation",
  source_version = NULL,
  default_domain = "quality"
)
```

**Arguments**

p21_df	A data.frame containing Pinnacle21 validation output. Expected columns (case-insensitive): Rule (or Rule ID), Message, Severity, Dataset, Variable, Result (or Status).
ctx	A <a href="#">r4sub_run_context</a> providing run and study metadata.
asset_type	Character. Asset type label. Default: "validation".
source_version	Character or NULL. Version of the P21 tool.
default_domain	Character. Indicator domain. Default: "quality".

**Value**

A data.frame conforming to the evidence schema.

**Examples**

```
p21_raw <- data.frame(
  Rule = c("SD0001", "SD0002"),
  Message = c("Missing variable label", "Invalid format"),
  Severity = c("Error", "Warning"),
  Dataset = c("ADSL", "ADAE"),
  Variable = c("AGE", "AESTDTC"),
  Status = c("Failed", "Warning"),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
```

```
)  
ctx <- r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV")  
ev <- p21_to_evidence(p21_raw, ctx)
```

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r4sub\_run\_context      *Create a Run Context*

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## Description

A run context captures metadata for a particular evidence collection run. It provides a unique run\_id, study identifier, environment label, and timestamps used throughout evidence ingestion.

## Usage

```
r4sub_run_context(  
  study_id,  
  environment = c("DEV", "UAT", "PROD"),  
  user = NULL,  
  run_id = NULL,  
  timestamp = Sys.time()  
)
```

## Arguments

study_id	Character. Study identifier (e.g., "ABC123").
environment	Character. One of "DEV", "UAT", "PROD".
user	Character or NULL. Username; defaults to system user.
run_id	Character or NULL. If NULL, a unique ID is generated.
timestamp	POSIXct. Defaults to current time.

## Value

A list of class r4sub\_run\_context with elements: run\_id, study\_id, environment, user, created\_at.

## Examples

```
ctx <- r4sub_run_context(study_id = "STUDY001", environment = "DEV")  
ctx$run_id  
ctx$study_id
```

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register\_indicator      *Register an Indicator*

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### Description

Adds an indicator definition to the local in-memory registry.

### Usage

```
register_indicator(  
  indicator_id,  
  domain,  
  description,  
  expected_inputs = character(0),  
  default_thresholds = numeric(0),  
  tags = character(0)  
)
```

### Arguments

indicator_id	Character. Stable identifier for the indicator.
domain	Character. One of "quality", "trace", "risk", "usability".
description	Character. Human-readable description.
expected_inputs	Character vector. Evidence source types this indicator expects.
default_thresholds	Named numeric vector. Optional thresholds.
tags	Character vector. Optional tags (e.g., "define", "adam").

### Value

The indicator definition list, invisibly.

### Examples

```
register_indicator(  
  indicator_id = "P21-001",  
  domain = "quality",  
  description = "Required variable is missing from dataset"  
)
```

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result_to_score	<i>Map Result to Numeric Score</i>
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**Description**

Converts canonical result labels to numeric scores.

**Usage**

```
result_to_score(result)
```

**Arguments**

result            Character vector of canonical result values (pass, fail, warn, na).

**Value**

Numeric vector: pass=1, warn=0.5, fail=0, na=NA.

**Examples**

```
result_to_score(c("pass", "fail", "warn", "na"))
```

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severity_to_weight	<i>Map Severity to Numeric Weight</i>
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**Description**

Converts canonical severity labels to numeric penalty multipliers on a 0–1 scale.

**Usage**

```
severity_to_weight(severity)
```

**Arguments**

severity            Character vector of canonical severity values (info, low, medium, high, critical).

**Details**

Default mapping:

- info = 0.00
- low = 0.25
- medium = 0.50
- high = 0.75
- critical = 1.00

**Value**

Numeric vector of weights.

**Examples**

```
severity_to_weight(c("low", "high", "critical"))
```

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validate_evidence	<i>Validate Evidence Table</i>
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**Description**

Checks that a data.frame conforms to the evidence schema. Verifies column presence, types, and controlled vocabulary values.

**Usage**

```
validate_evidence(ev)
```

**Arguments**

ev                    A data.frame to validate.

**Value**

TRUE invisibly if valid; throws an error otherwise.

**Examples**

```
ctx <- suppressMessages(r4sub_run_context("STUDY1", "DEV"))
ev <- suppressMessages(as_evidence(
  data.frame(
    asset_type = "validation", asset_id = "ADSL",
    source_name = "pinnacle21", indicator_id = "SD0001",
    indicator_name = "SD0001", indicator_domain = "quality",
    severity = "high", result = "fail",
    stringsAsFactors = FALSE
  ),
  ctx = ctx
))
validate_evidence(ev)
```

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validate_indicator	<i>Validate Indicator Metadata</i>
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**Description**

Checks that an indicator definition list is well-formed.

**Usage**

```
validate_indicator(indicator)
```

**Arguments**

indicator	A list with required fields: indicator_id, domain, description. Optional fields: expected_inputs, default_thresholds, tags.
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**Value**

TRUE invisibly if valid; throws an error otherwise.

**Examples**

```
validate_indicator(list(  
  indicator_id = "P21-001",  
  domain = "quality",  
  description = "Missing required variable"  
))
```

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