Using MetaMap to Process a List of Terms with IDs

This input format is very similar to that described in List of Terms. To associate a specific term ID (similar to a MEDLINE PMID) with each term in a list, simply prefix each term with an ID followed by a pipe symbol “|”:

Txt001|Written informed consent.
Txt002|Age 18 years or older.
Txt003|informed consent.
Txt004|Male or female.
Txt005|At least 18 years of age.
Txt006|Able to give informed consent.
Txt007|Signed informed consent.
Txt008|Healthy.
Txt009|Male.
Txt010|Negative pregnancy test.
Txt011|Signed written informed consent.
Txt012|Ability to understand document.
Txt013|Measurable disease.
Txt014|ECOG performance status 0-2.
Txt015|signed informed consent.
Txt016|Adult patients, >/= 18 years of age.
Txt017|Type 2 diabetes.
Txt018|Other protocol-defined criteria.

Then call MetaMap with the --sldiID (Single-Line Delimited Input with ID) option. MetaMap will then treat each phrase as a separate input record, and associate each phrase’s output with the appropriate term ID.

Again, to ensure that each term is processed as a single phrase, and generates the best possible results, we also recommend using these options:

- `-z` (--term_processing)—explained Term Processing,
- `-i` (--ignore_word_order)—explained Ignore Word Order, and
- `-C` (--relaxed_model)—explained Relaxed Model.

The last line of all MetaMap input files must end with a newline character!