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of the ecosystem of evidence

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Developing indicators for the evaluation of Evidence Translation activities

Toward an operational framework

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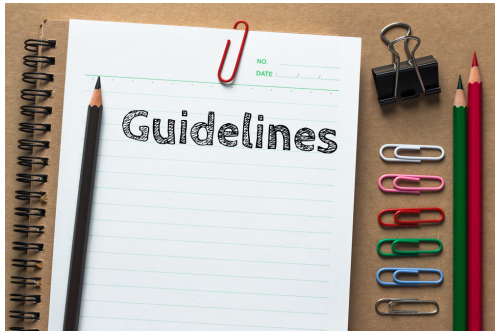
Meet Claire



Knowledge broker

Regional health agency · fictional composite

Two years ago, her team launched a program to help clinicians use best-practice guidelines







Her funder's question

"What difference did it make?"



Claire is clearly busy …

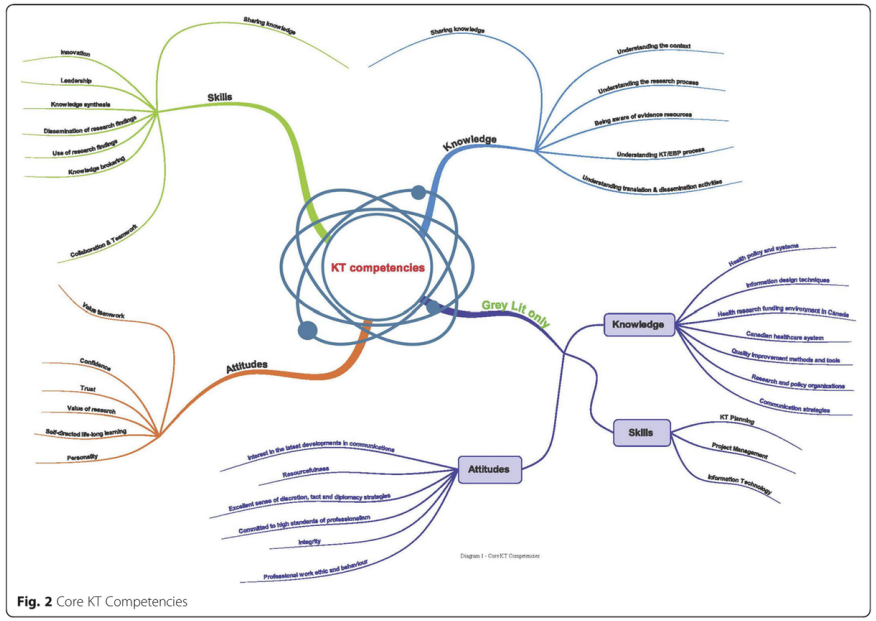


Fig. 2 Core KT Competencies

Figure 1: Idealised knowledge broker



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Many frameworks, many tasks, a vast literature, and little guidance on how to evaluate

First, a map: what should Claire look at?



Scoping review
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Delphi consultation
28 then 19 experts, 2 rounds

Indicator extraction
Today's results

Pilot in organizations
Next step

Four dimensions to evaluate

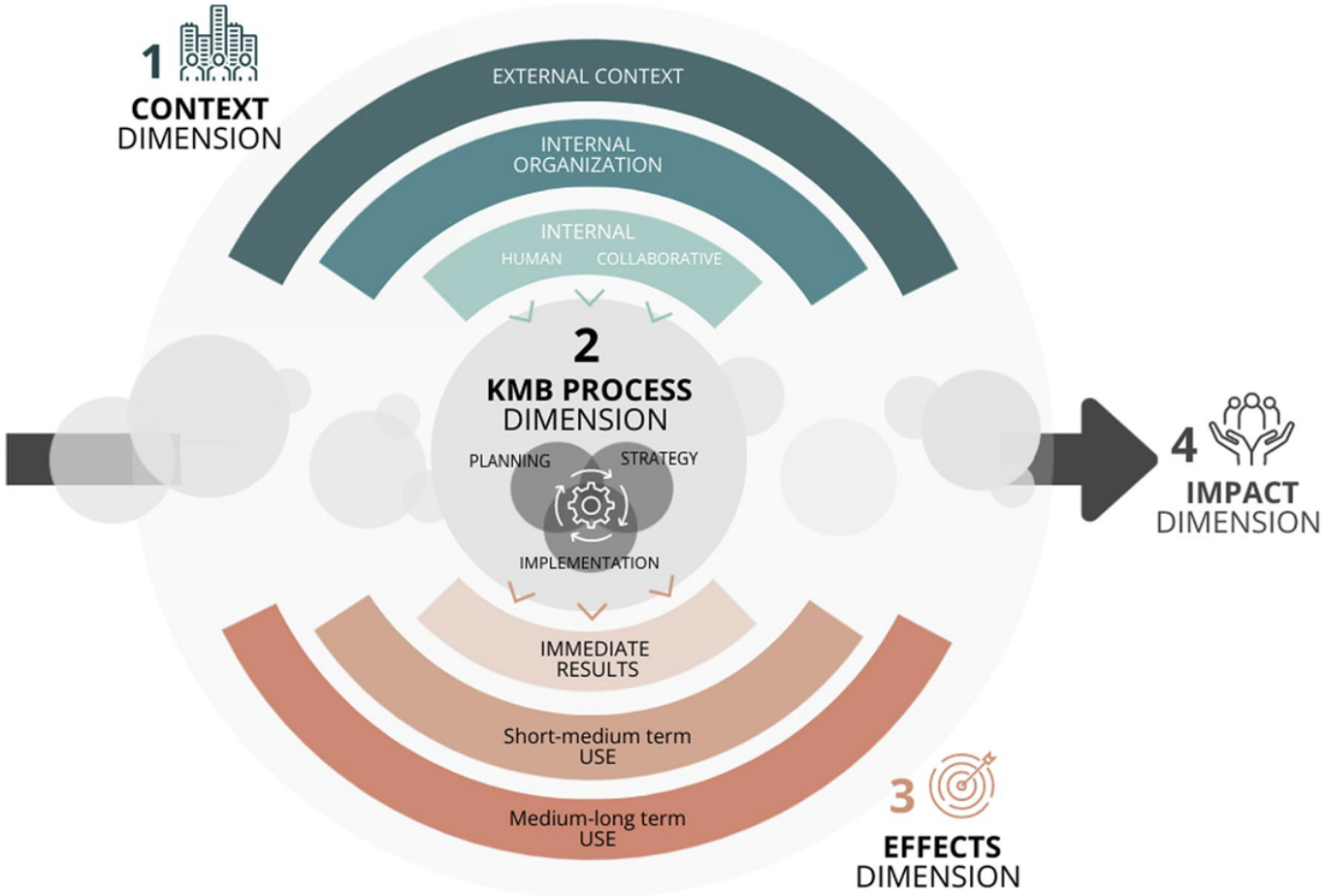




Fig. 2 The main evaluation dimensions that emerged from the TMFs analysed

What we found

71 articles

~1,200 indicators extracted



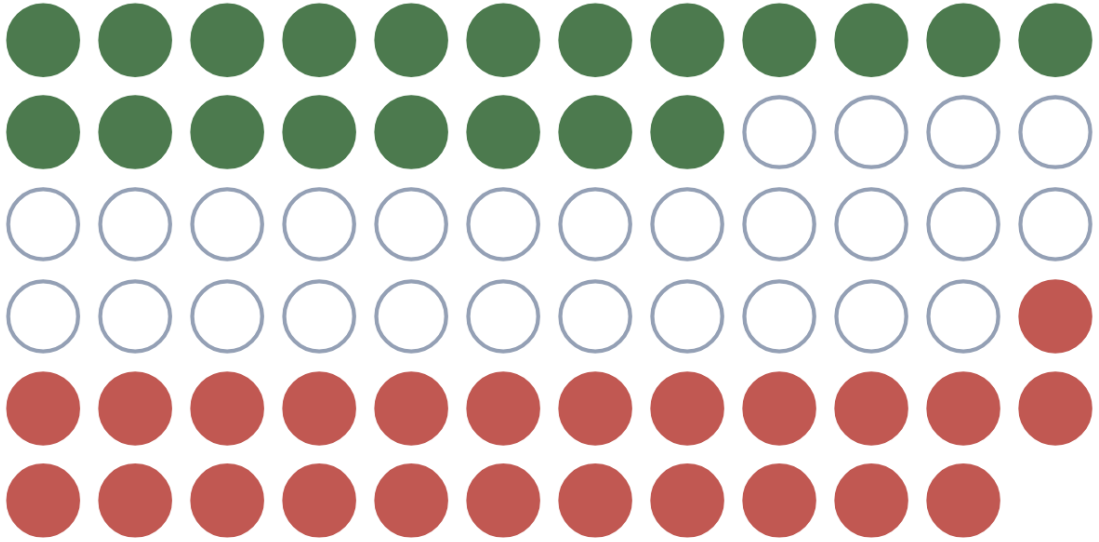
Most indicators focused on outcomes

(immediate, short-, medium- and long-term), few on context or process

Instruments never calibrated

Nearly all grounded in theory.
Almost none empirically validated.

71 articles, one dot each, by level of indicator operationalization



20 (28%)
Detailed, clearly operationalized

27 (38%)
Moderately operationalized

24 (34%)
General, poorly operationalized



Back to Claire: what can we offer her today?

1. **A framework with four validated dimensions**
   Context, process, outcomes, impacts

2. **162 potential indicators across 45 components**
   Each flagged as essential or complementary

3. **A toolbox, not a checklist**
   Choose indicators according to objectives and resources



The toolkit

Reference Framework for Planning and Evaluating Knowledge Mobilization Strategies in the Social Field

