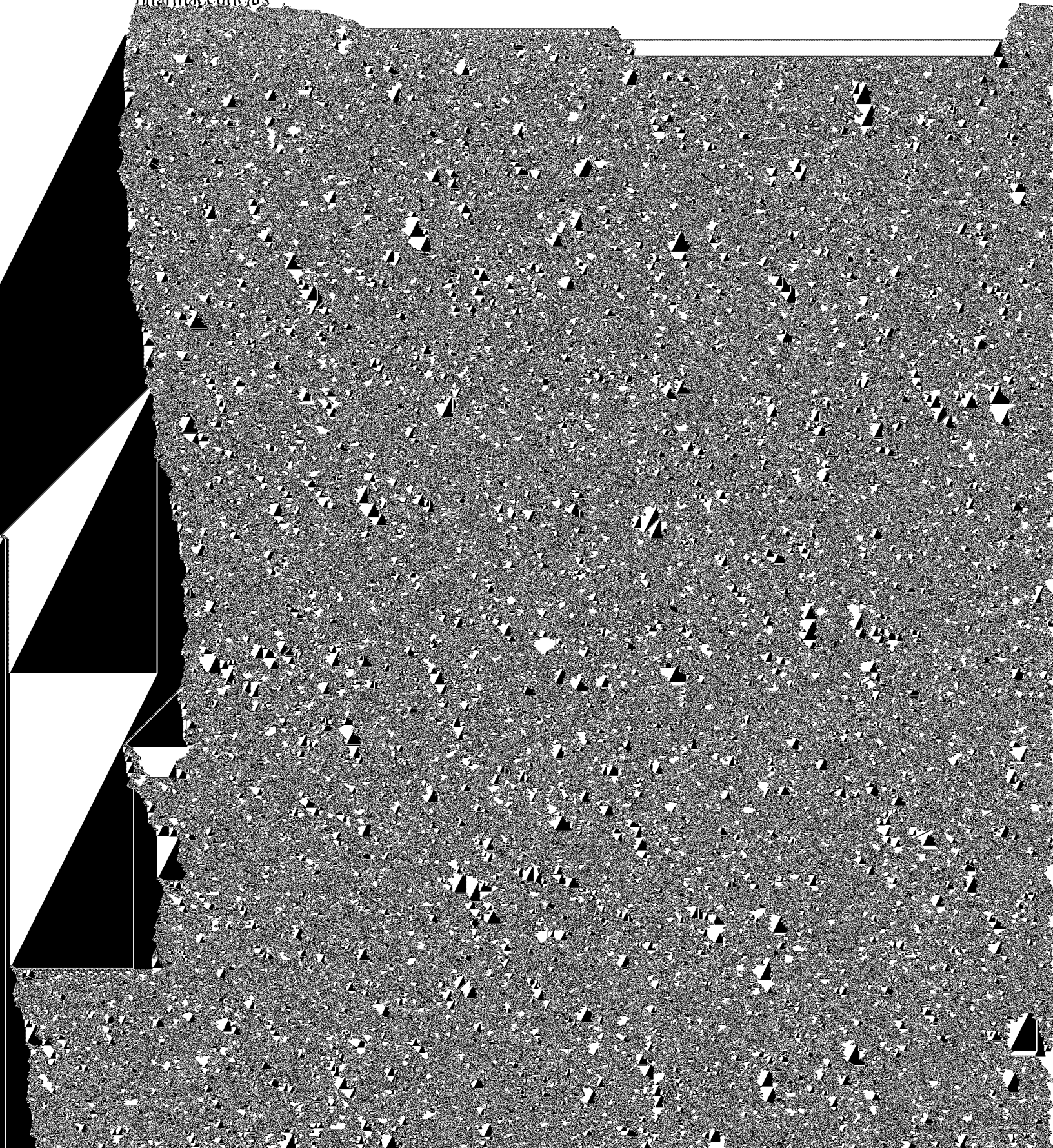


participating pharmacy's standard-rate pharmaceuticals with the NPIA-discounted pharmaceuticals



attempt to approximate that amount, using Wellpartner's WAC instead of the participating pharmacies' actual WACs, to determine the amount the participating pharmacies should receive for the NPIA claims. The University believes that Wellpartner's WAC will be a very close approximation of the participating pharmacies' WACs because of the way in which pharmaceutical purchasing is carried out in its region. And to the extent there is deviation between Wellpartner's WAC and the participating pharmacies' actual WAC, the University represents that the deviation is likely to result in the participating pharmacies receiving a lower fee on NPIA claims.²⁵ To improve the accuracy of its calculation of the participating pharmacies' fees on NPIA claims, the University will use up-to-date WAC data from

