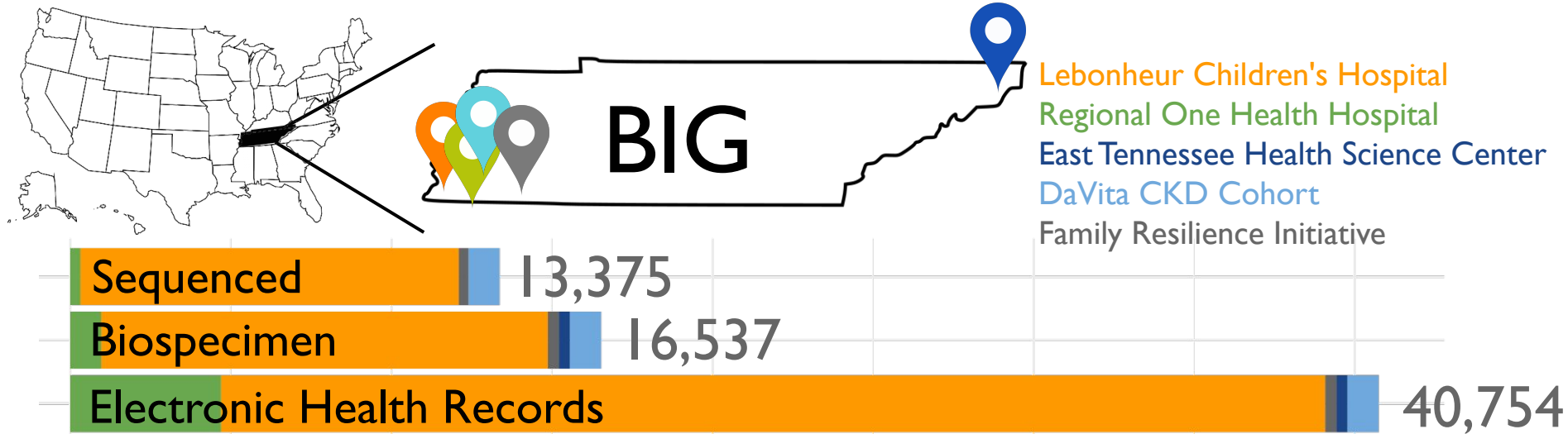
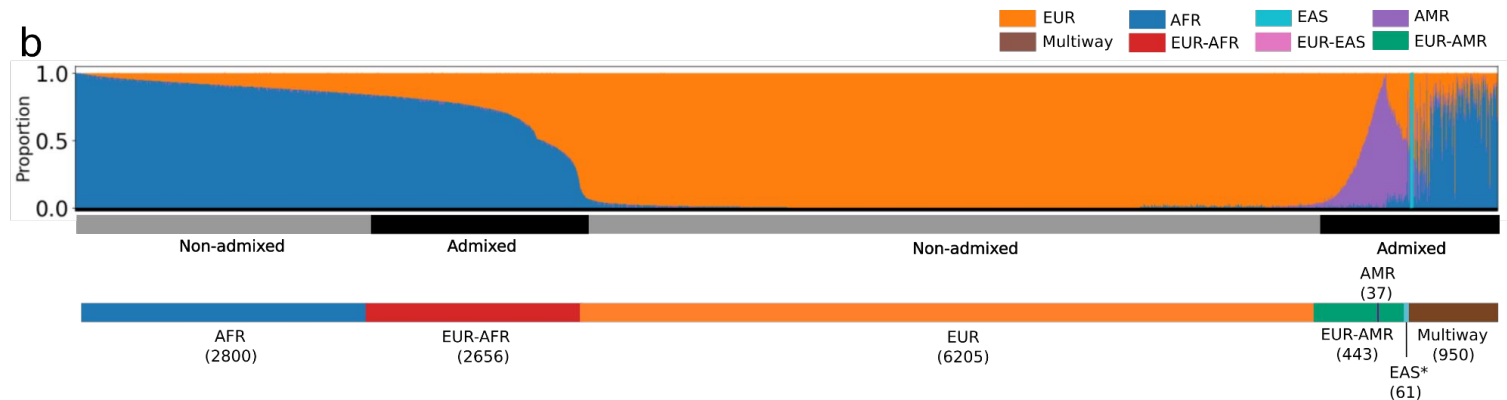




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# Ancestry inference in BIG



- Four continental level ancestries
- Considerable proportion of admixed individuals
- High genetic diversity geographically concentrated

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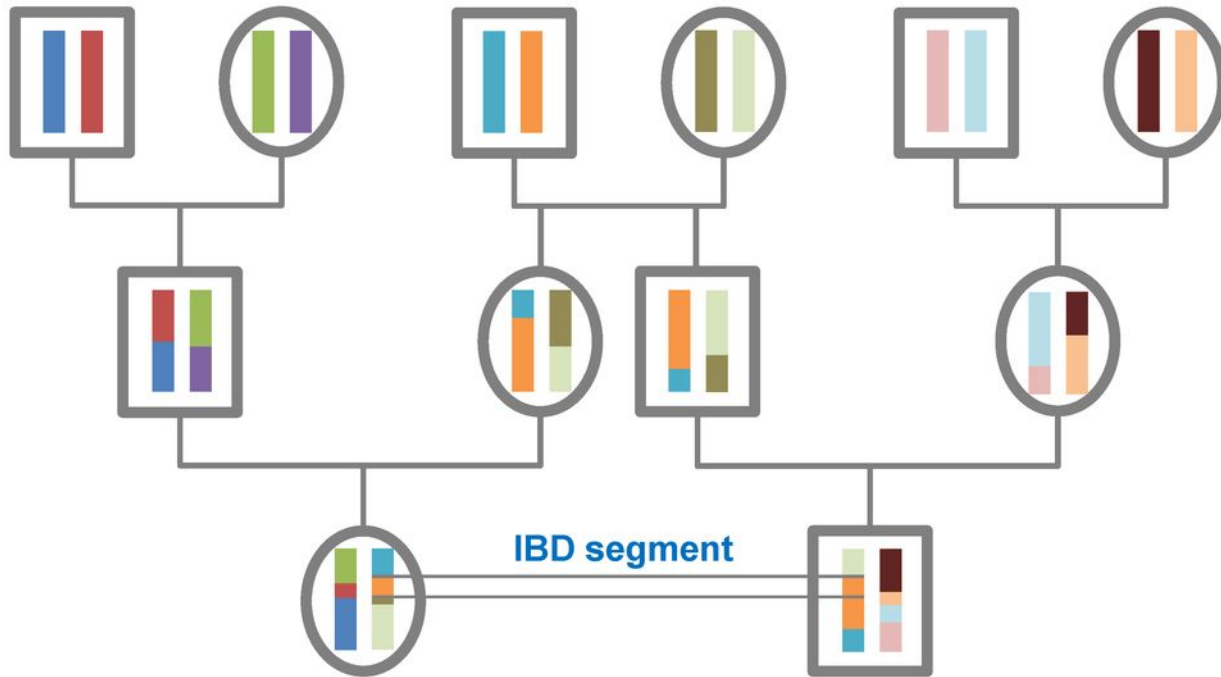
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# Identity by Descent (IBD)



**b**

**Self-reported race**

This scatter plot displays the total IBD in centimorgans (cM) for individuals categorized by their self-reported race (Same or Different) and their degree of relatedness. The y-axis represents Total IBD (cM) from 0 to 8000. The x-axis has two categories: 'Same' and 'Different'. Data points are colored by degree of relatedness: monozygotic twins (teal), 1st degree (dark grey), 2nd degree (medium grey), 3rd degree (light grey), and 4th degree (black). The 'Same' category shows a high density of points, with many reaching up to 8000 cM, particularly for monozygotic twins and 1st degree relatives. The 'Different' category shows a much lower density of points, mostly below 2000 cM, with a few outliers for 2nd degree and 1st degree relatives.

Total IBD (cM)

monozygotic twins

1st degree

2nd degree

3rd degree

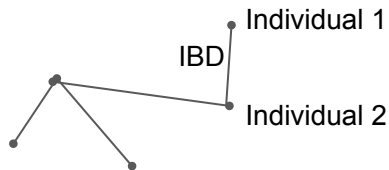
4th degree

Same

Different



# From pairwise IBD to population structure



Identity-by-descent captures Shared Environmental  
Factors at Biobank Scale

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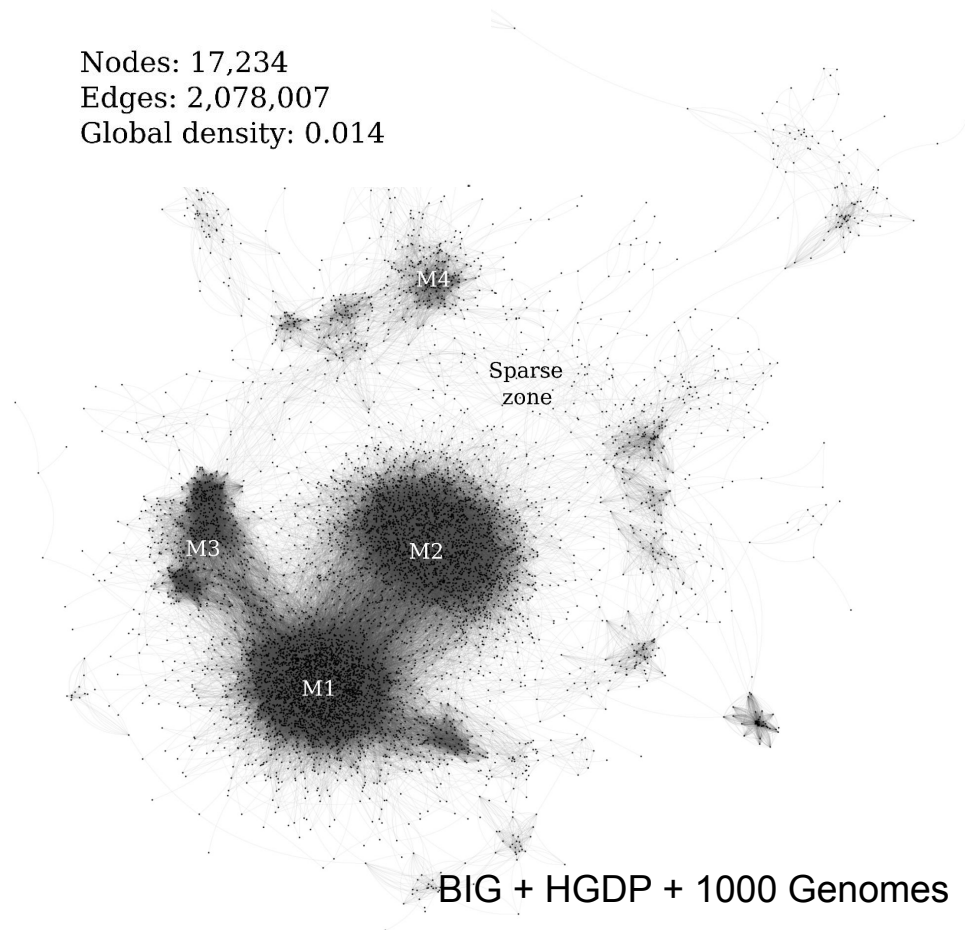
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IBD based network

Nodes: 17,234

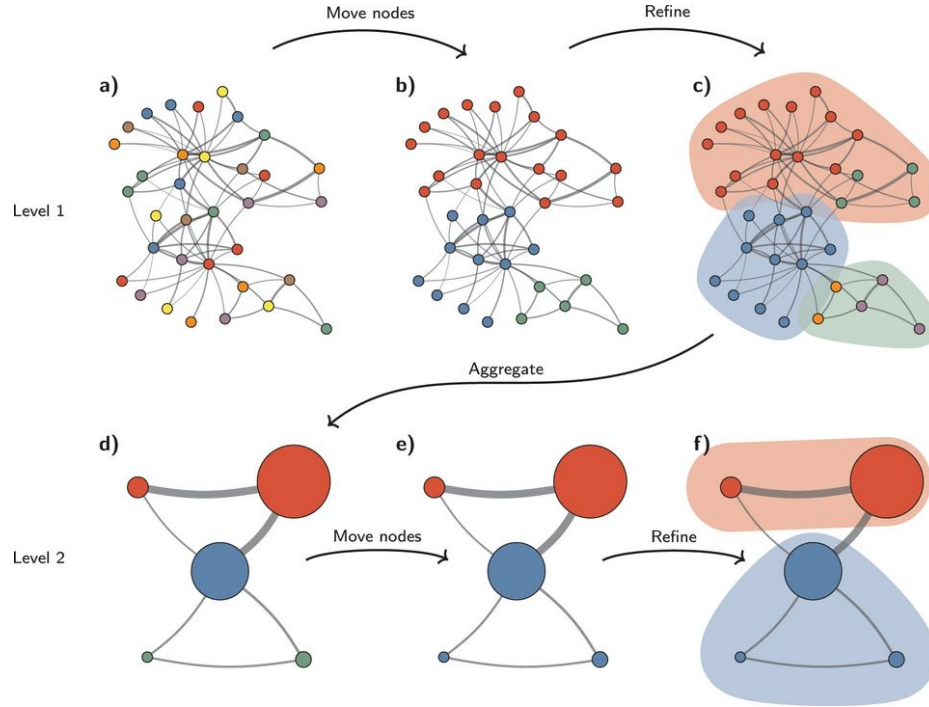
Edges: 2,078,007

Global density: 0.014



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# Leiden algorithm for community detection



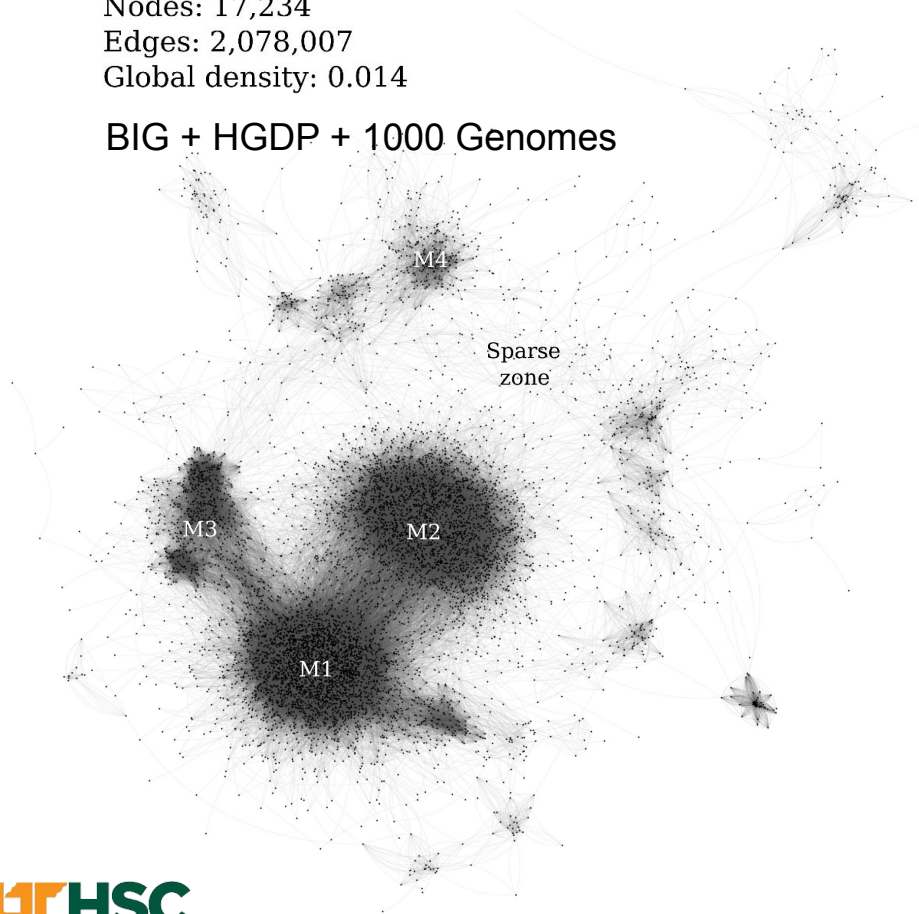
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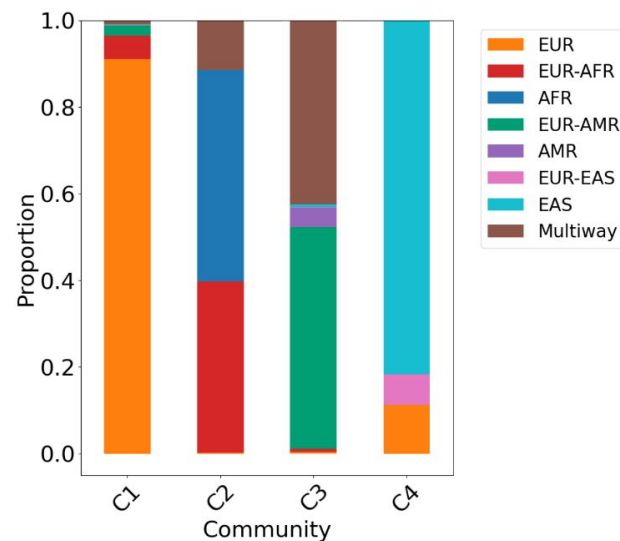
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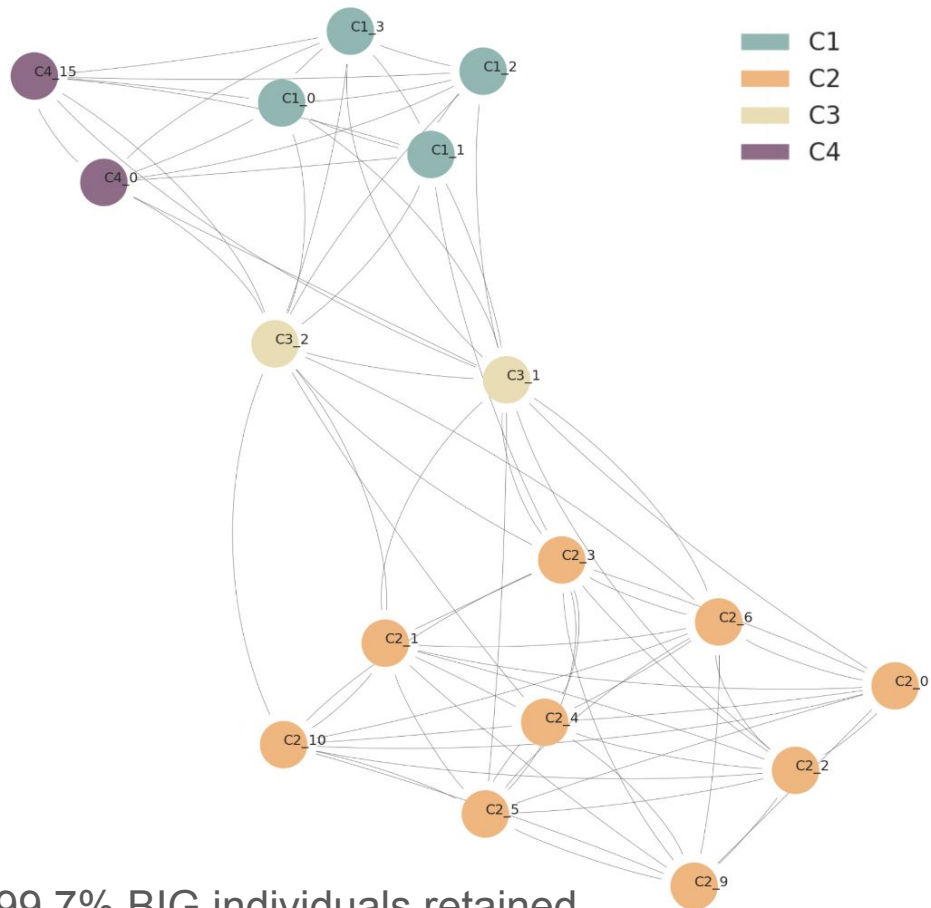
BIG + HGDP + 1000 Genomes



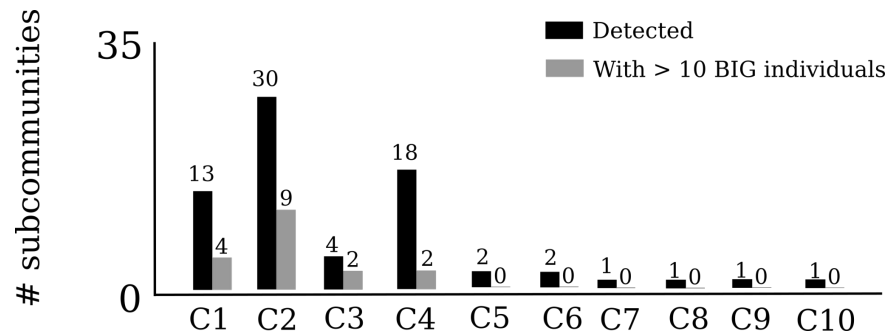
# Beyond ancestry: grouping people based on how much genome they actually share





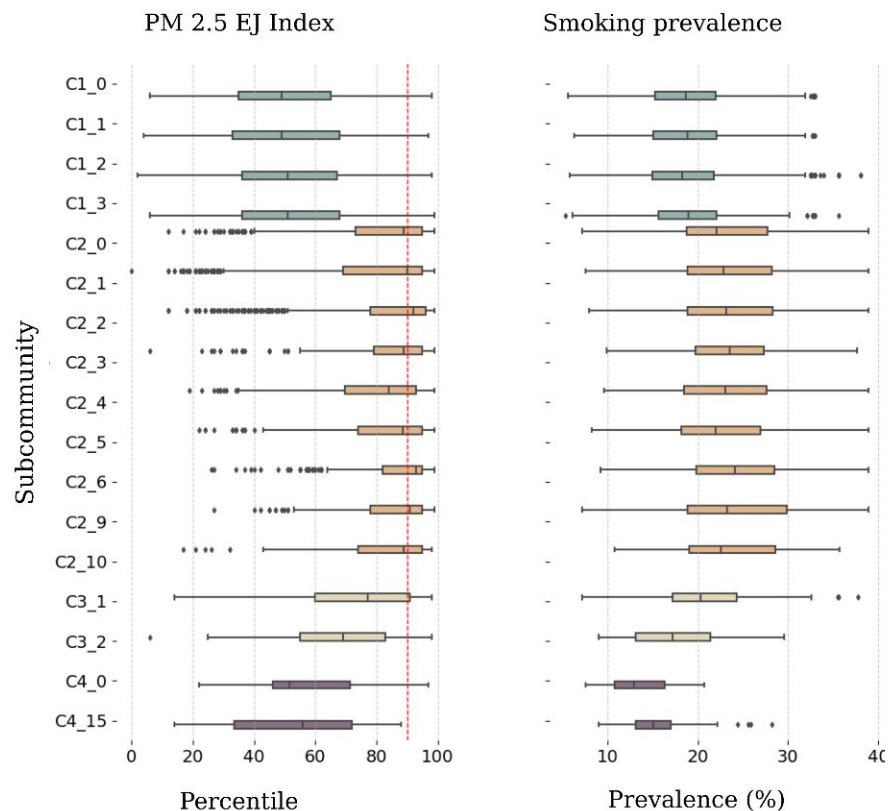
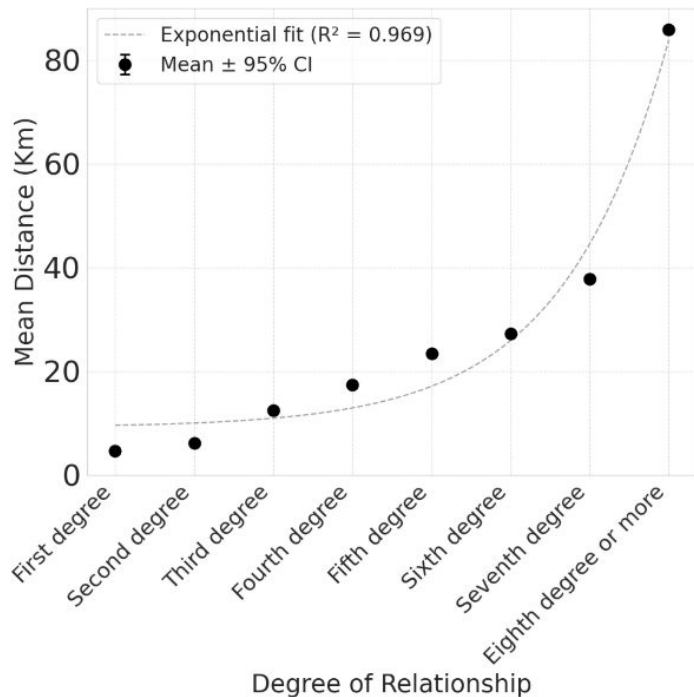


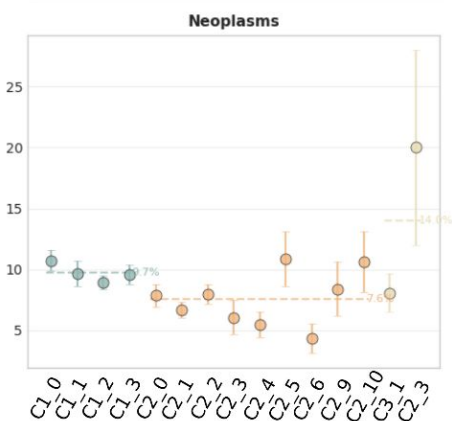
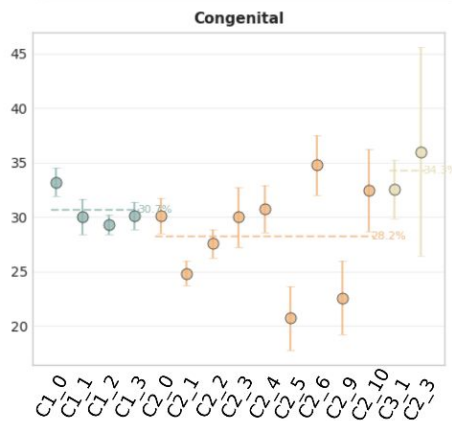
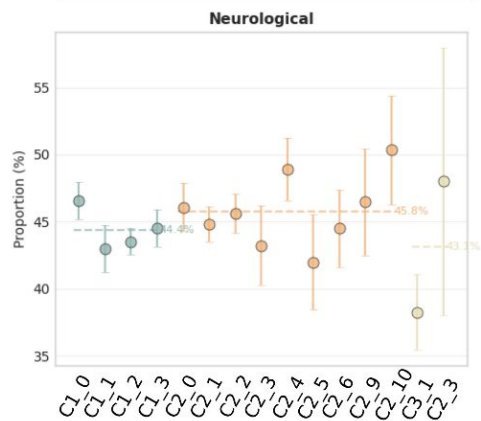
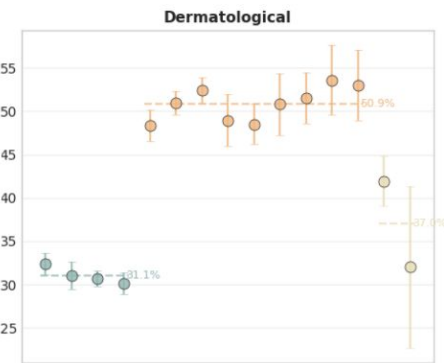
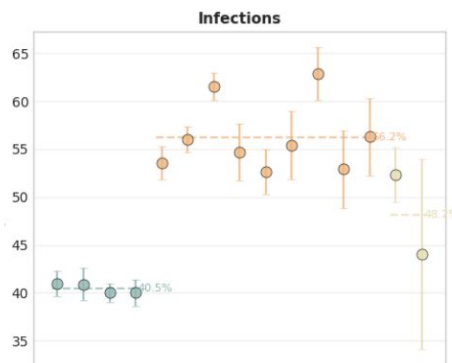
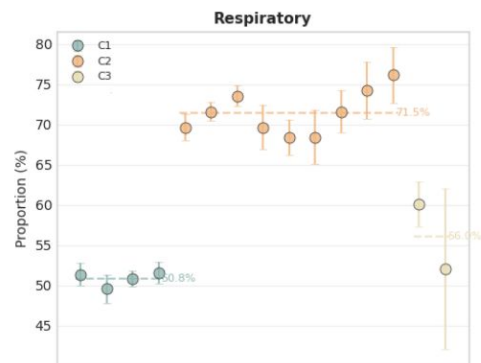
## IBD *versus* ancestry



# Identity-by-descent captures shared environment

## A - Genealogical and geographic distance





Subcommunity

Can a similar approach be  
useful on HPRCv2?

Preliminary/pilot results

# Identity-by-descent (IBD) detection

HGDP  
1kGP  
(4,091)

HPRCv2  
Samples  
(232)

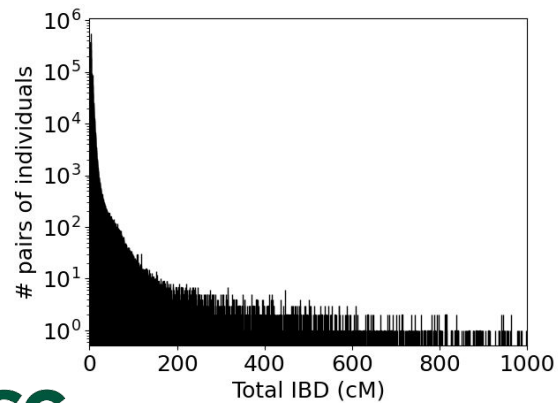
Labelled  
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VCF QC

IBD  
segments

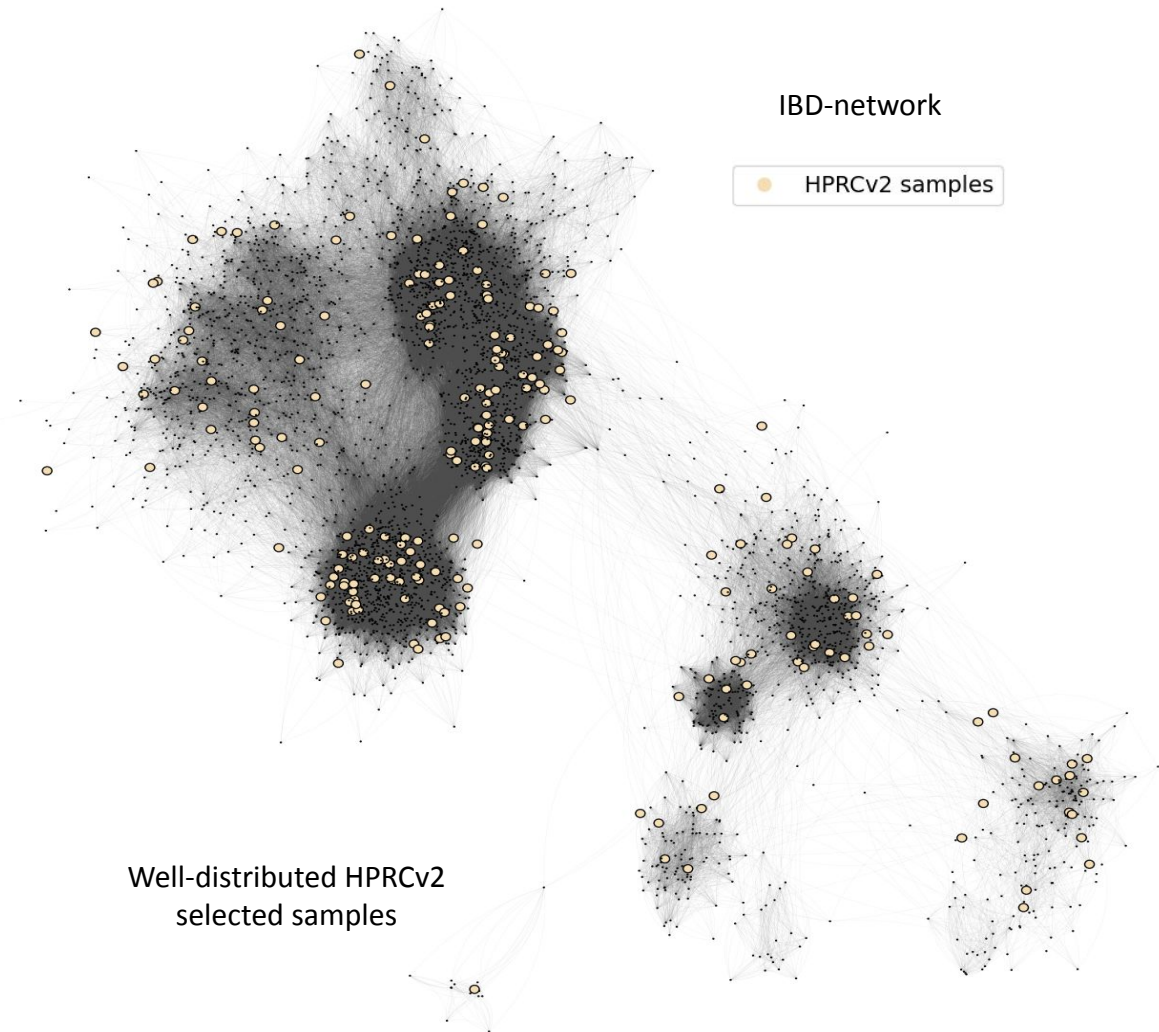
IBD QC

Total IBD per pair

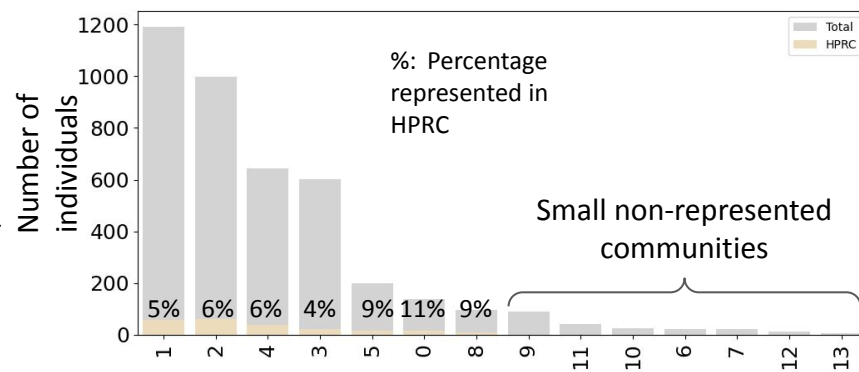
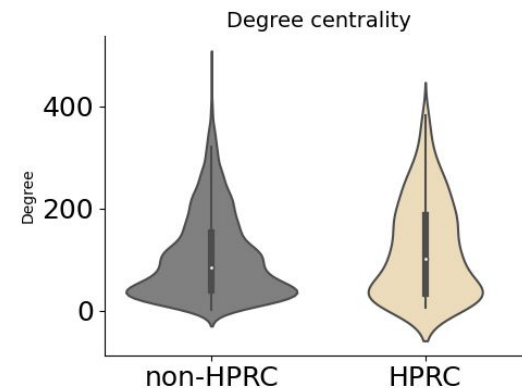
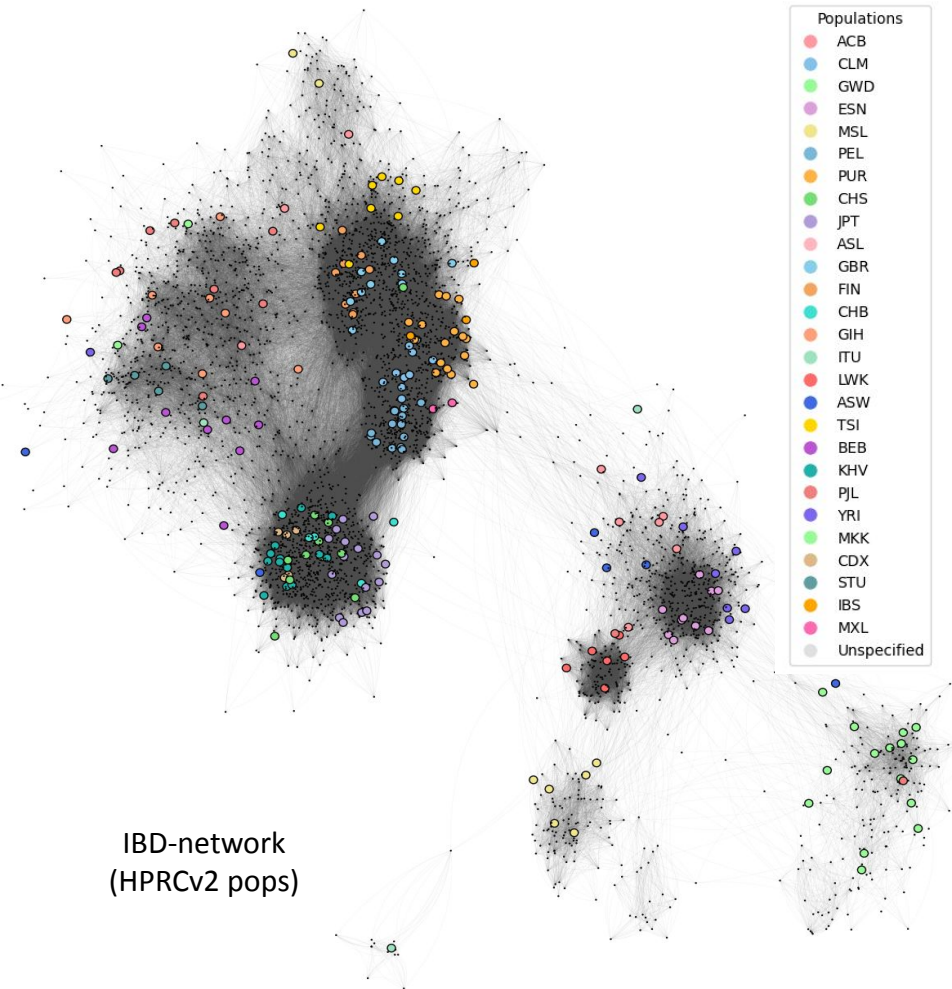


## IBD-network

● HPRCv2 samples



Well-distributed HPRCv2  
selected samples



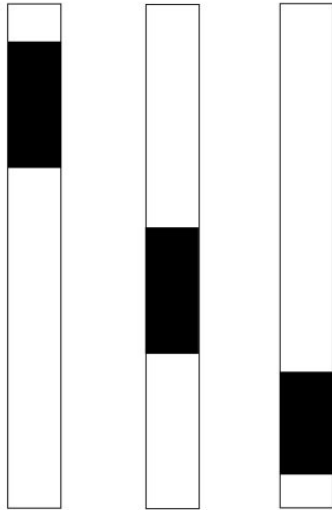
Some small HGDP-1kGP communities (detected by Leiden)  
are yet unexplored in HPRCv2

## Other IBD applications in sample selection

HPRCv2



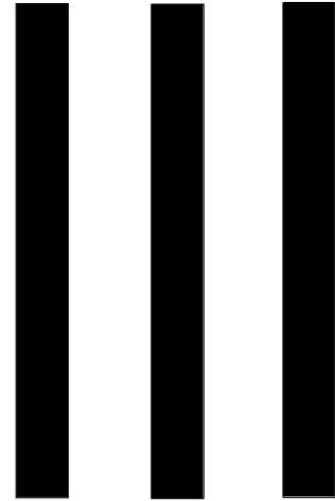
HGDP-1kGP



HGDP  
1kGP



HPRCv2



**Haplotype informativeness:** Compute the amount of cM explained by IBD sharing between the selected samples and public resources (HGDP-1kGP).

**Proportion covered:** Compute the percentage (amount of cM) already explored by IBD sharing of a potential HGDP-1kGP sample to be incorporated to HPRCv2.

Thank you