

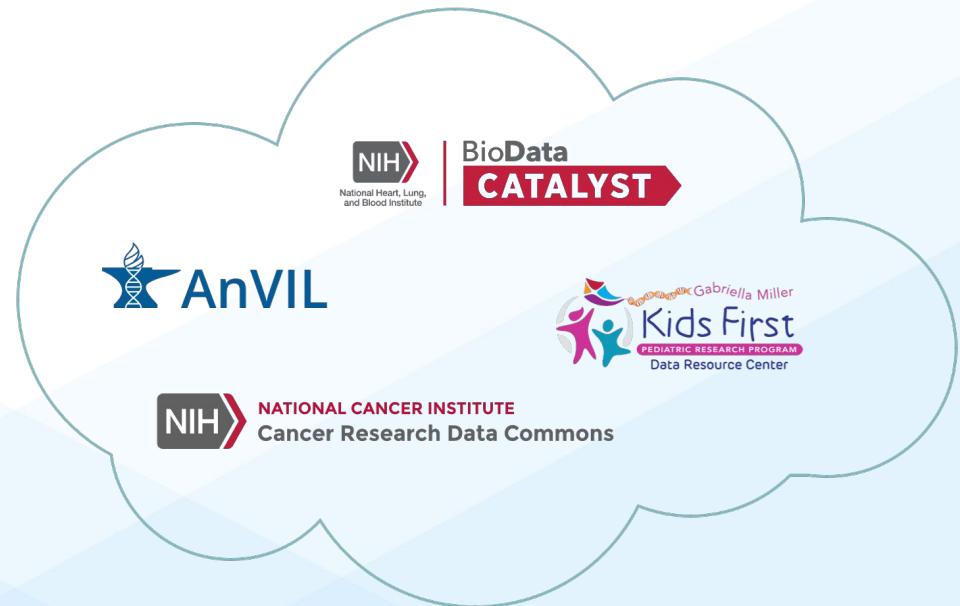
# NIH Workshop on Cloud-Based Platforms Interoperability

October 30th and November 2nd, 2020

*Welcome to the...*

# NIH Cloud Platforms Interoperability Fall 2020 Workshop

*We'll be starting shortly!*



# Welcome & Introduction to Day 1

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# Introduction & Congratulations!

<https://datascience.nih.gov/nih-cloud-platform-interoperability>

A screenshot of a web browser showing the URL https://datascience.nih.gov/nih-cloud-platform-interoperability. The page title is "NIH Cloud Platform Interoperability Effort".

NIH Cloud Platform Interoperability Effort

## About the NIH Cloud Platform Interoperability (NCPI) Effort

Connecting NIH's various data systems is a critical step toward improving researchers' access to all types of data. The [NIH Cloud Platform Interoperability \(NCPI\) effort](#) seeks to create a federated genomic data ecosystem and is a collaborative project between NIH and external partners comprising [five working groups](#).

When researchers obtain data from a specific platform, there is no guarantee that the data will be readily usable alongside data from a different platform. By focusing on interoperability, the NCPI effort is ensuring that researchers can both find and integrate data more easily from the following four participating platforms:



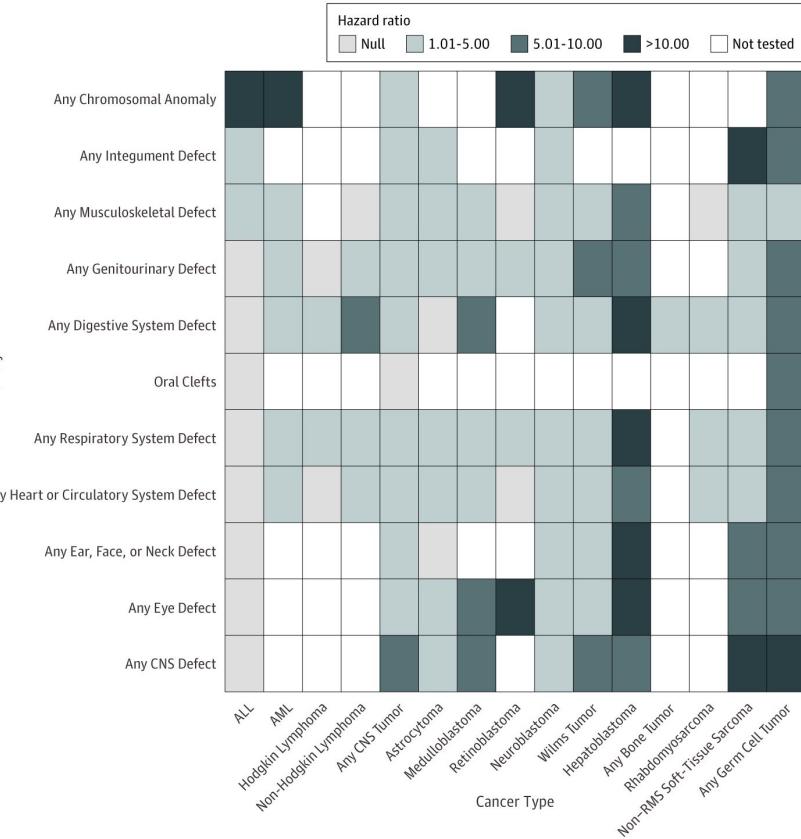
# Gabriella Miller Kids First Pediatric Research Program: Interoperability of *childhood cancer & structural birth defects*



*Birth defects are associated with increased risk of cancer among children... suggesting shared genetic pathways*

## **From: Association Between Birth Defects and Cancer Risk Among Children and Adolescents in a Population-Based Assessment of 10 Million Live Births**

Lupo et al. JAMA Oncol. 2019;5(8):1150-1158. doi:10.1001/jamaoncol.2019.1215



# *Kids First Sequencing Cohorts 2015-2020*

40 projects | 40,000 genomes | 16,000 cases | 14 released datasets



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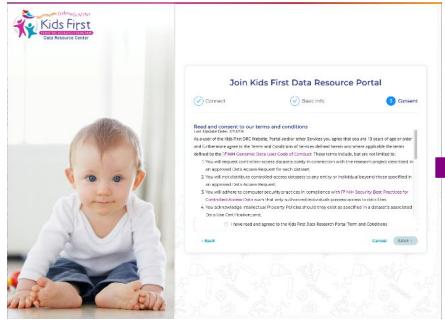


- Disorders of Sex Development
- Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia
- Ewing Sarcoma
- Structural Heart & Other Defects
- Syndromic Cranial Dysinnervation Disorders
- Cancer Susceptibility
- Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis
- Neuroblastomas
- Enchondromatoses
- Orofacial Clefts in Caucasian, Latin American, Asian & African, Filipino populations
- Osteosarcoma
- Familial Leukemia
- Hemangiomas, Vascular Anomalies & Overgrowth
- Craniofacial Microsomia
- Intersection of childhood cancer & birth defects
- Microtia
- Esophageal Atresia and Tracheoesophageal Fistulas
- Kidney and Urinary Tract Defects
- Nonsyndromic Craniosynostosis
- Bladder Exstrophy
- Hearing Loss
- Cornelia de Lange Syndrome
- Intracranial & Extracranial Germ Cell Tumors
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
- Myeloid Malignancies + overlap with Down syndrome
- CHD & ALL in Children with Down Syndrome
- Structural Brain Defects
- Structural Defects of the Neural Tube (Myelomeningocele)
- CHARGE Syndrome
- Laterality Birth Defects
- T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
- Pediatric Rhabdomyosarcoma
- Valvar Pulmonary Stenosis

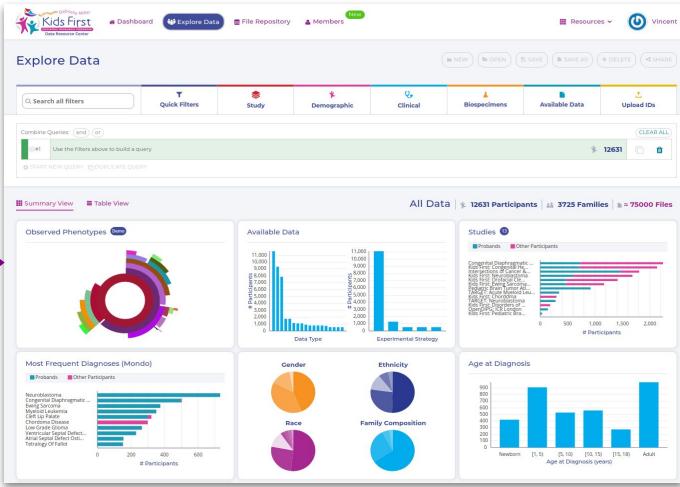


# Use Case: Compare genetic variants of congenital heart defects & neuroblastoma

Anyone can register & login to the portal (via ORCID, Google). User agrees to terms



Synthetic cohort is ported to the **File Repository** where user selects which **genomic** and **histology image** files they want to analyze.

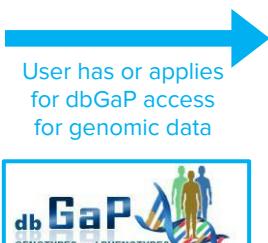


In **Explore Data**, user searches the terms “heart” and “neuroblastoma”. Discovers data from children with congenital heart disease (KF & BDC data) & neuroblastoma (KF & NCI TARGET)



User builds a synthetic cohort based on these criteria and can view summary & deidentified individual-level clinical, demographic, and phenotypic information.

User pushes genomic, clinical, and image data into Cavatica for analysis & visualization

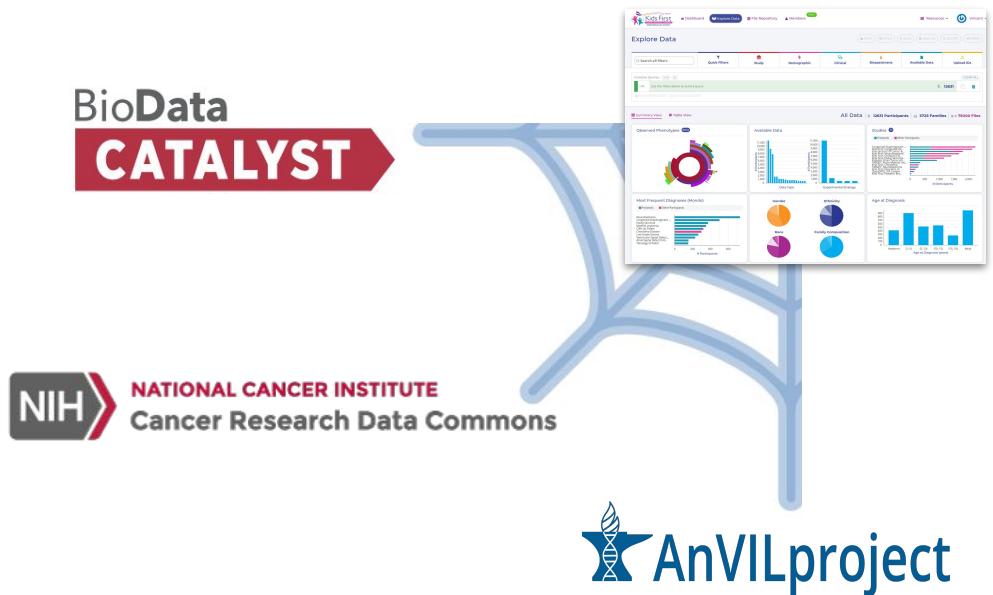


User runs statistical analyses in notebooks

User iterates through genomic workflows

# ***Childhood Cancer & Structural Birth Defects Use Cases:***

- Childhood Cancer data from TARGET in the CRDC
- Congenital Heart Disease data from TOPMed/PCGC in BioData Catalyst
- Structural Birth Defects data from the CMGs in AnVIL



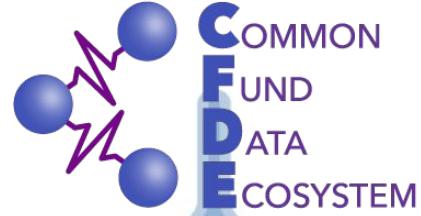
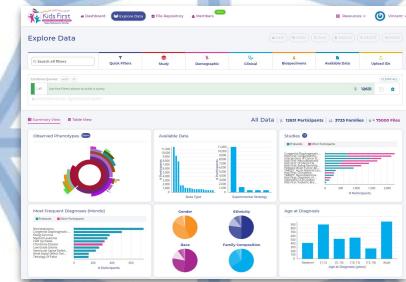
# *Additional Use Cases for Pediatric Federation*



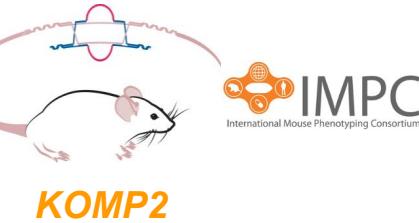
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# Tackling Multiple Layers of Interoperability

## Challenge

Operational barriers to trans-platform data sharing

Inability to search & access data across platforms

Transitioning researchers to use the cloud

Lack of standards for clinical data exchange

## Working Group

### Community Governance

### Systems Interoperation

### Outreach & Training

### FHIR

## NCPI Activities

Establish principles for promoting interoperability across multiple platforms; evaluate operational barriers

Test & implement technical standards for auth (RAS) & data exchange (e.g. GA4GH DRS) based on key use cases

Create public “knowledge base”; create training materials

Pilot and assess FHIR resources to model and share complex clinical and phenotypic data

# Additional Challenges for Potential NCPI Roadmap

## Challenge

Users don't want to use the cloud if their favorite tools and workflows are not there

New programs, platforms, and databases want to play in the sandbox

How to estimate cloud costs for researcher analyses

Complex clinical and phenotypic data (that don't map to CDMs/CDEs)

## Potential NCPI Activities?

Potential new WG to port workflows to the cloud?  
New activity of Systems Interop and/or Outreach/Training group?

How do we onboard new programs or development teams to NCPI?

Benchmark pipelines? Create public cloud cost guide?

FHIR as a flexible structure for clinical data interoperability (even if not derived from EHRs)

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*noun*

the ability of computer systems or software to exchange and make use of information.  
"interoperability between devices made by different manufacturers"

- the ability of military equipment or groups to operate in conjunction with each other.  
"staff believe interoperability between forces is crucial to effectiveness"

# DOES MARK HAVE AN INTEROPERABILITY PROBLEM?

[External] H3F3B G34W variant



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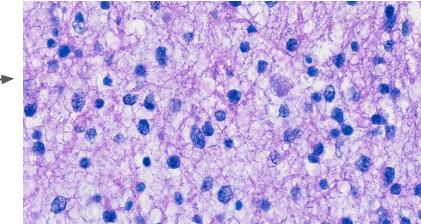
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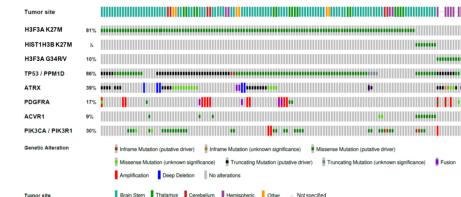
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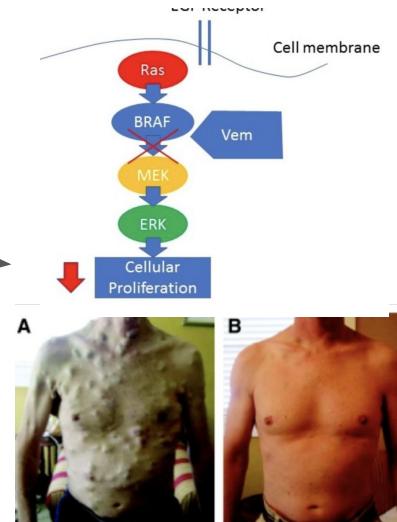
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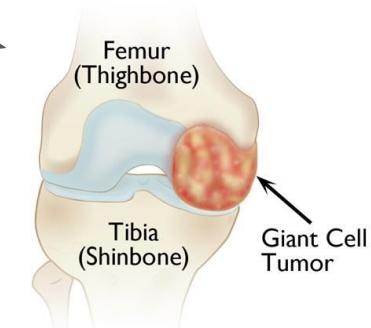
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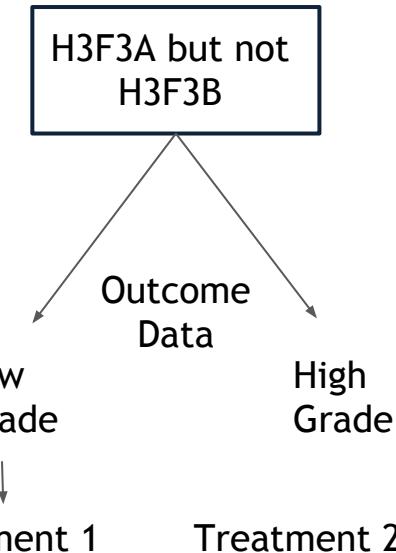
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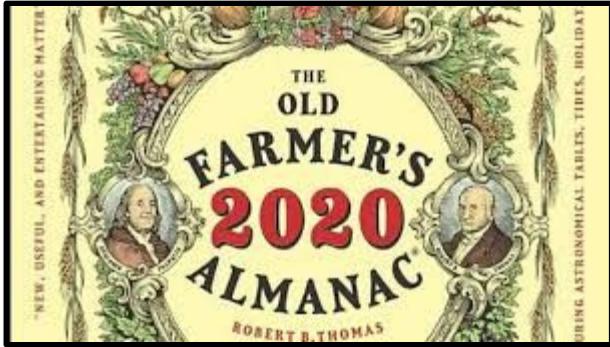
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## Highlights

- Giant cell tumors of the bone (GCTB) H3.3G34 mutations (G34L/W) only affect histone H3K36 and H3K27 methylation on the same mutated histone tails (*in cis*).

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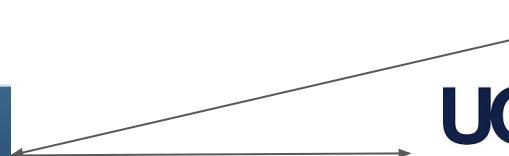
# KNOWLEDGBASES VERSUS A COMMONS

**WHAT AND HOW vs WHERE WHEN**

# KNOWLEDGBASES VERSUS A COMMONS



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→ 2 PATIENTS -- OUT OF 80,000

# How WILL WE KNOW WHEN WE SUCCEED?

**WHEN USERS TALK ABOUT FAR OUT DATA**

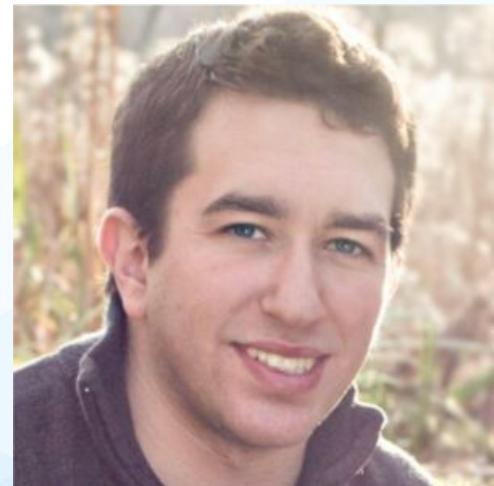
# MORNING SESSION KEY MESSAGES

1. Awesome, impactful, accelerated science can *actually* happen by harnessing the multi-platform cloud setting!
2. Both “expert” users and “new” users are able to leverage the advantages of cloud platforms when supported.
3. Users still face “binaries” in decision making that limit their full potential for harnessing platforms/cloud:
  - a. Costs/platforms→ On Prem vs. Cloud (and which cloud?), where and from whom do I have my credits, how do I support “other” data (see b.) -- help with cost optimization.
  - b. Terra vs. SBG vs. ISB vs. “X” →
    - i. What data do I have to move where since I not only am accessing multiply hosted datasets, **but have some of my own data, own cohorts, or other existing studies that I need to intersect with the cloud-based cohorts (relates to the multiple cohort creation processes users will engage when navigating interop).**
  - c. CWL vs. WDL → where should I either invest in transforming my pipelines or are the “right” combinations of multiple pipelines available? Is there a way not to be “locked in” by this?

# Experience Analyzing Human Genomes on the Cloud

**Harrison Brand**

Assistant Professor in Neurology  
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# INTRODUCTION

## PhD in Human Genetics from the University of Pittsburgh

(Advisors: Drs. Eleanor Feingold and Brenda Diergaard)

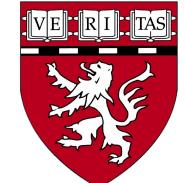
- Focus in Statistical Genetics



## Postdoc at Center for Genomic Medicine at MGH, Harvard

Medical School, and Broad Institute (Advisor: Dr. Michael Talkowski)

- Applied novel WGS techniques to better detect structural variation (SV) in the human genome



## Assistant Professor in the Department of Neurology at MGH, Harvard Medical School

- Assessing the impact of SV across a wide range of complex disorders
- Leading pipeline development and disease association studies in the Broad SV group



## EXPERIENCE WITH RELEVANT PLATFORMS

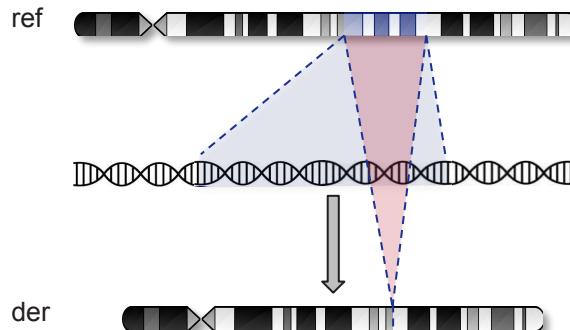
- NHLBI Biodata Catalyst – Fellow working on SV in Type 2 Diabetes and Glycemic Traits
- NHRGI's Analysis, Visualization, and Informatics Lab-space (AnVIL)
  - Member of the Broad CCDG and CMG teams
- Kids First Data Resource Center (KFDRC) - Member of the Broad GMFK Sequencing & Analysis Team. Part of several GMKF disease specific working groups
- Simons Simplex Collection – Member of Autism Sequencing Consortia
- The Genome Aggregation Database (gnomAD) – SV group

# SV BACKGROUND

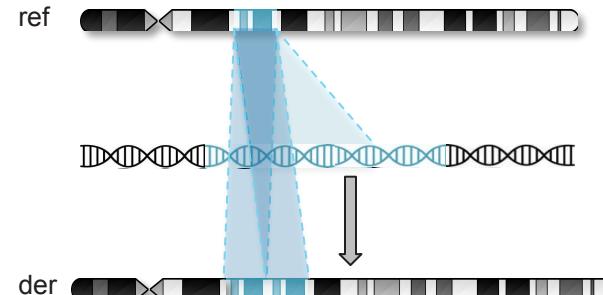
# STRUCTURAL VARIATION

Four basic classes of structural variation (SV) in the human genome

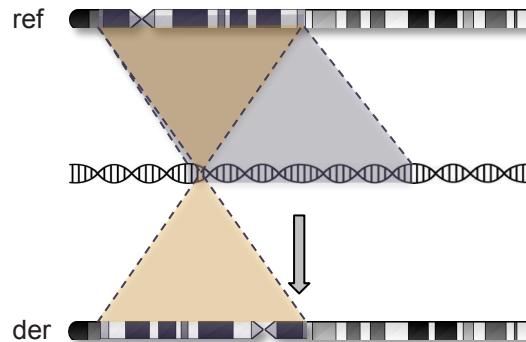
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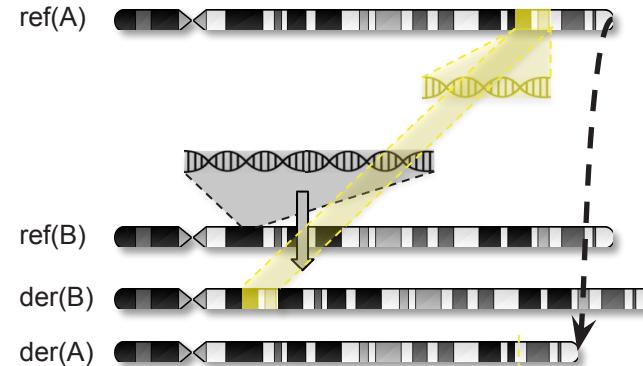
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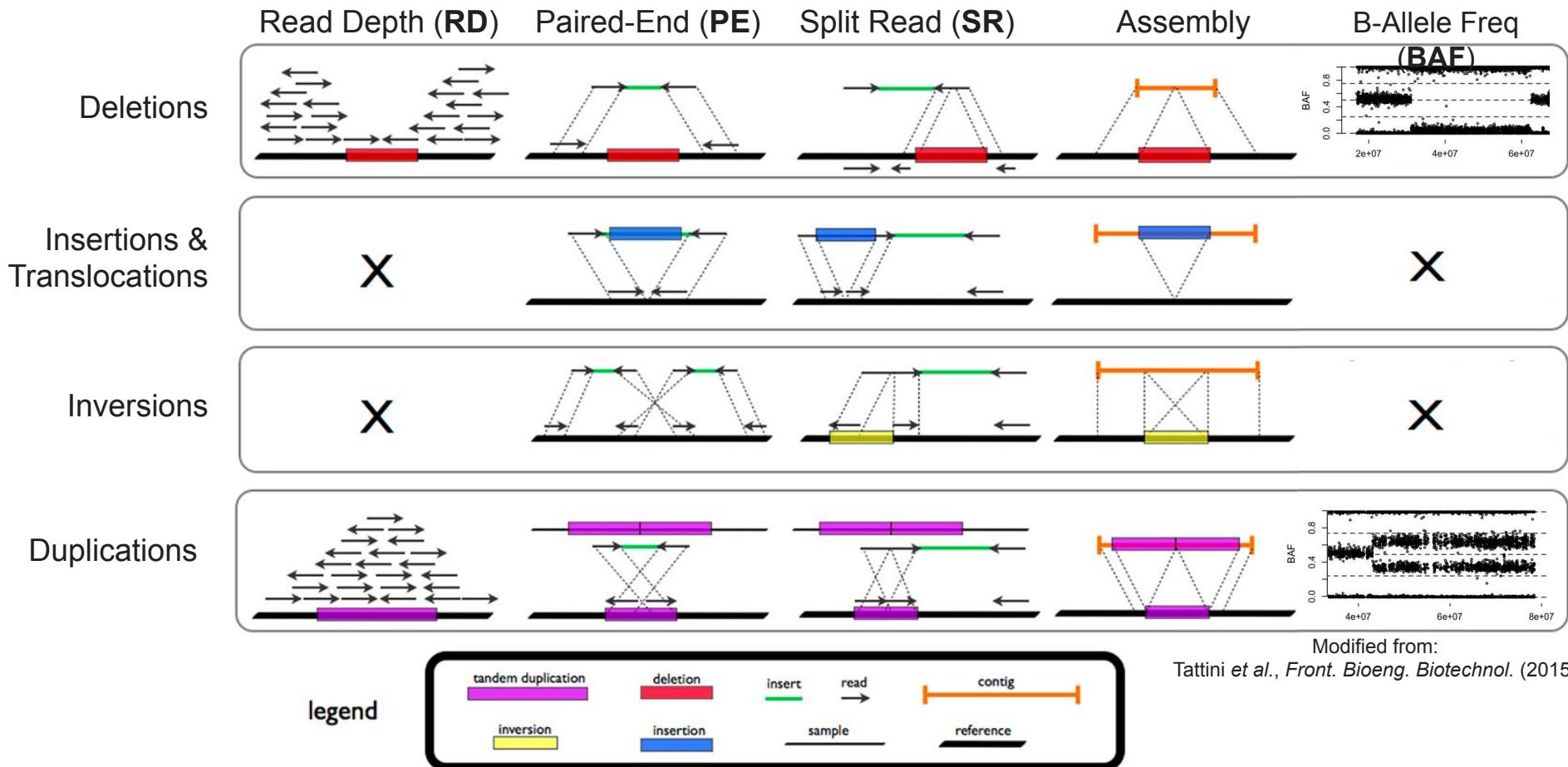
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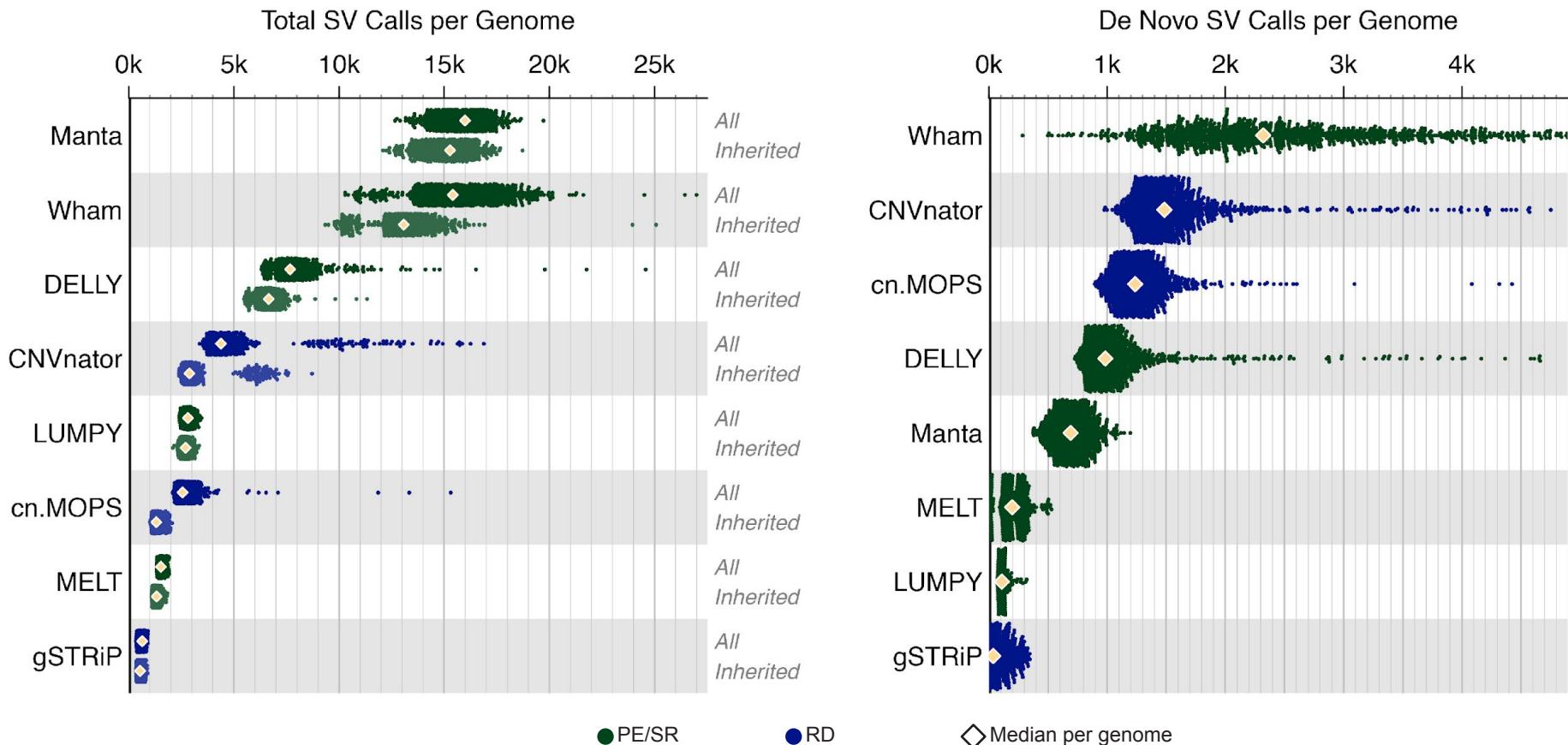
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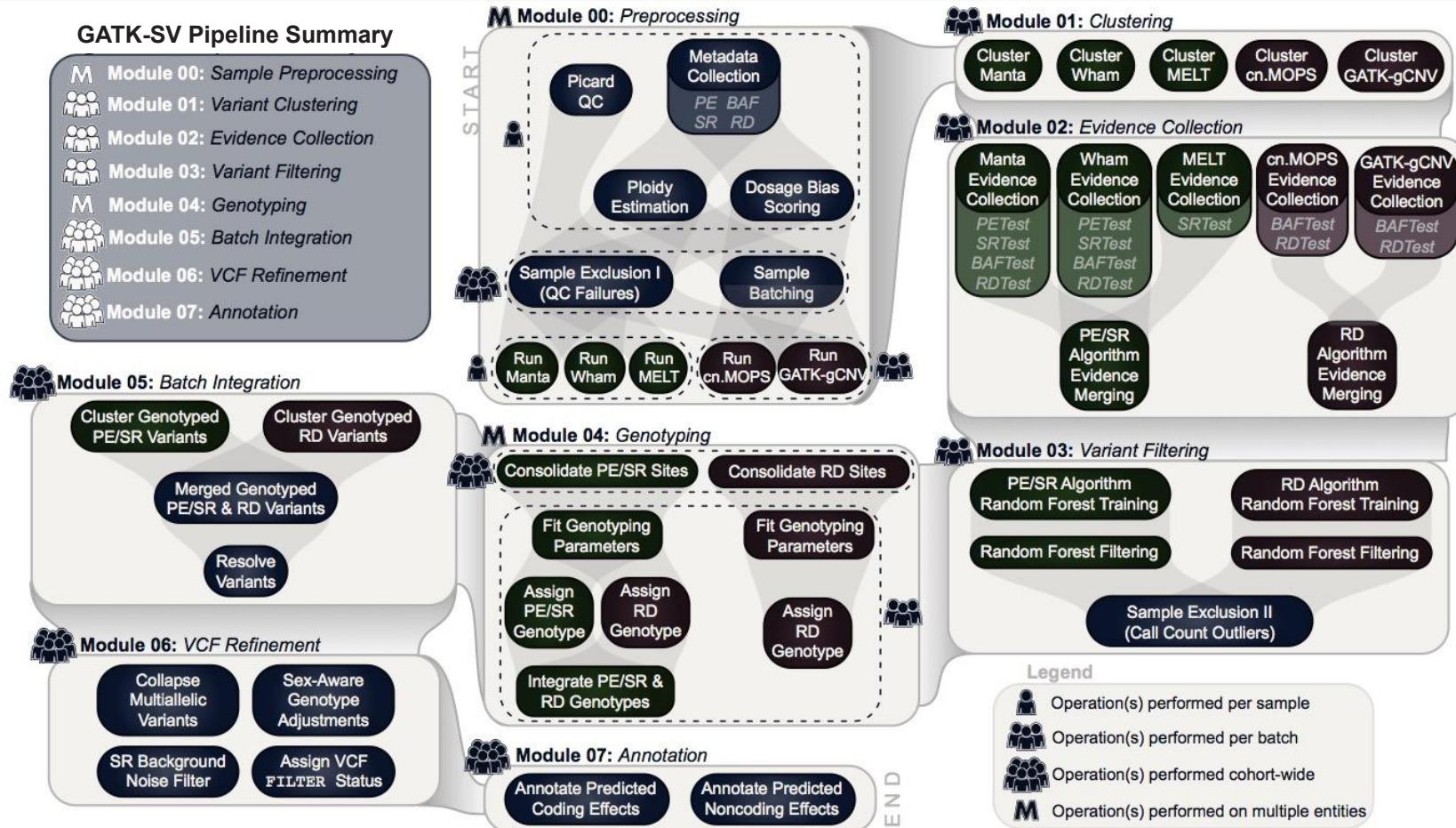
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# MANY SV ALGORITHMS, BUT No SILVER BULLET

Raw algorithms yield >200-fold more *de novo* SV than expected (~0.2/genome)



# GATK-SV: CLOUD ENABLED SV PIPELINE



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## GATK-SV Pipeline Summary

- M Module 00: Sample Preprocessing
- M Module 01: Variant Clustering
- M Module 02: Evidence Collection
- M Module 03: Variant Filtering
- M Module 04: Genotyping
- M Module 05: Batch Integration
- M Module 06: VCF Refinement
- M Module 07: Annotation

## Module 05: Batch Integration

Cluster Genotyped PE/SR Variants

Cluster Genotyped RD Variants

Merged Genotyped PE/SR & RD Variants

Resolve Variants

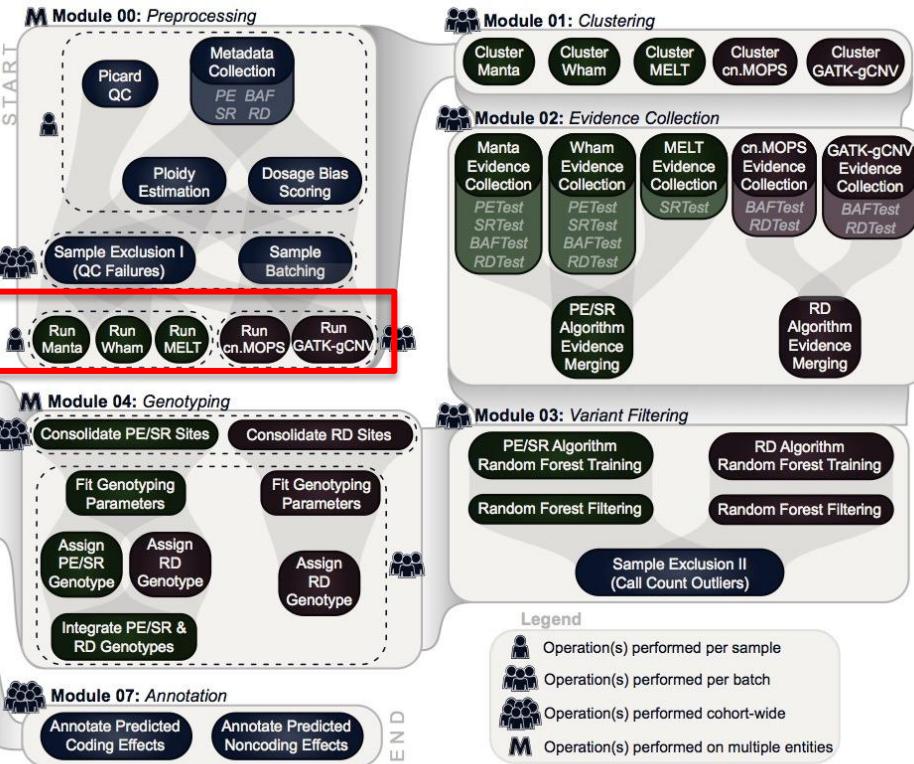
## Module 06: VCF Refinement

Collapse Multiallelic Variants

Sex-Aware Genotype Adjustments

SR Background Noise Filter

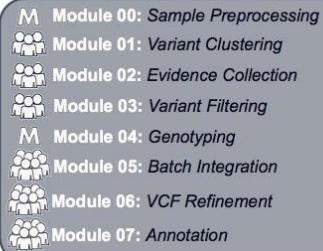
Assign VCF FILTER Status



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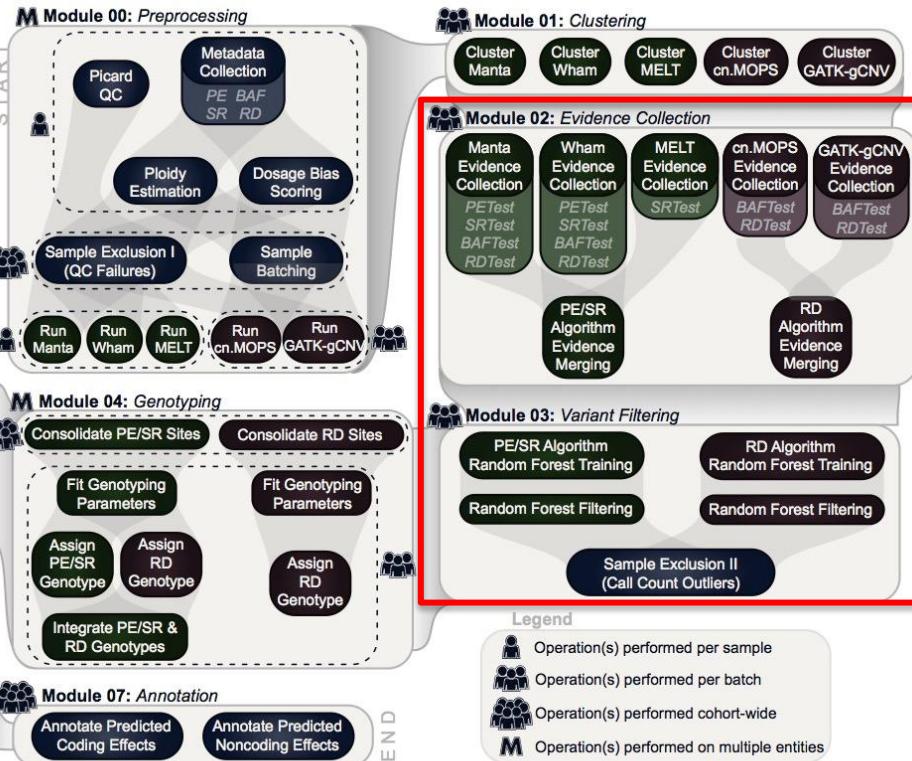
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Annotate Predicted Coding Effects

Annotate Predicted Noncoding Effects

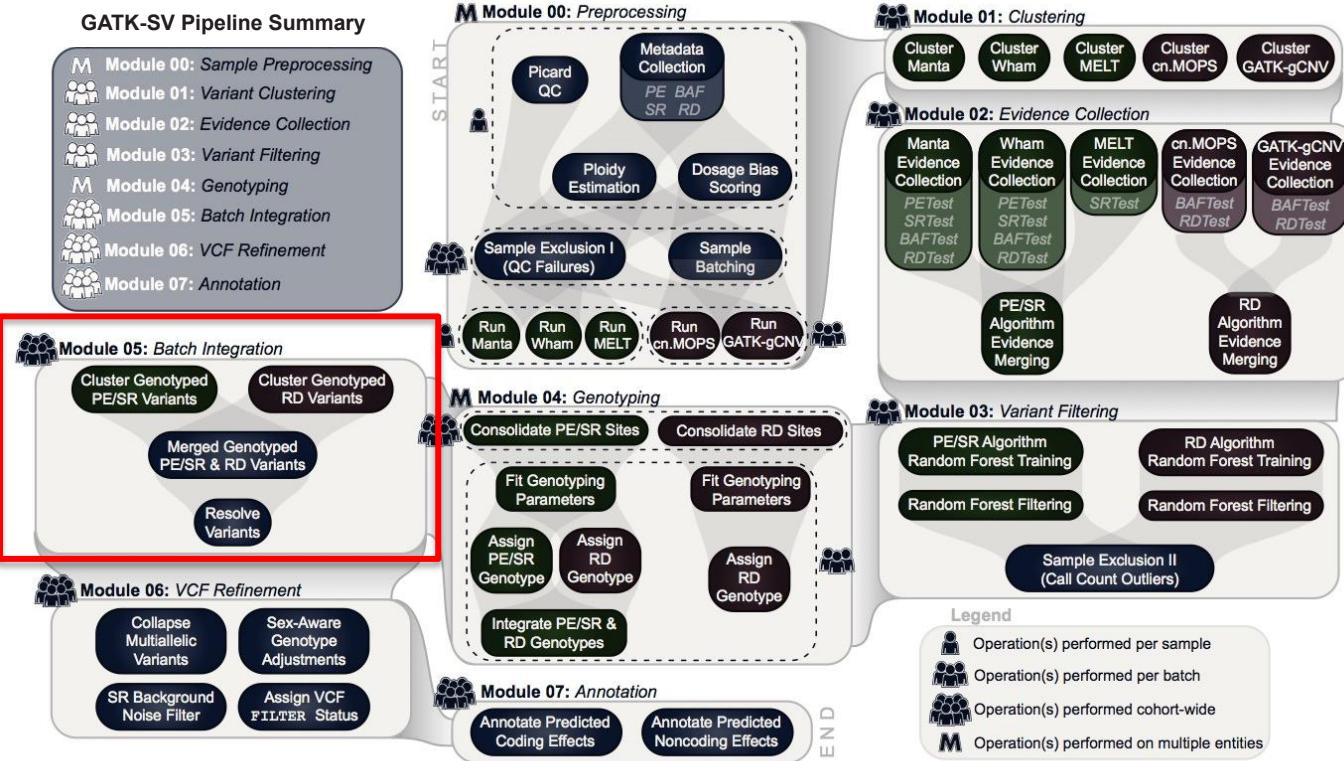


### Legend

- Operation(s) performed per sample
- Operation(s) performed per batch
- Operation(s) performed cohort-wide
- M Operation(s) performed on multiple entities

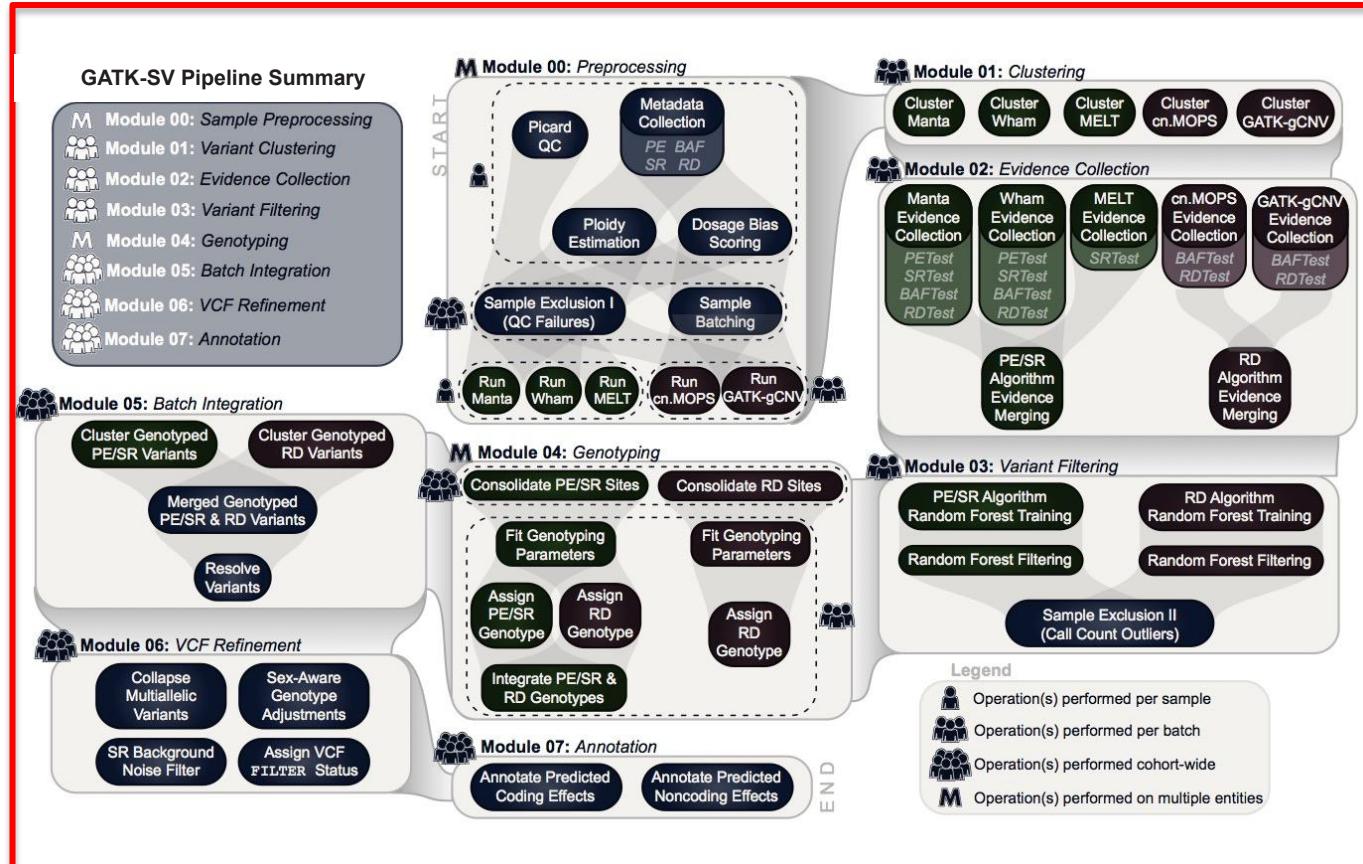
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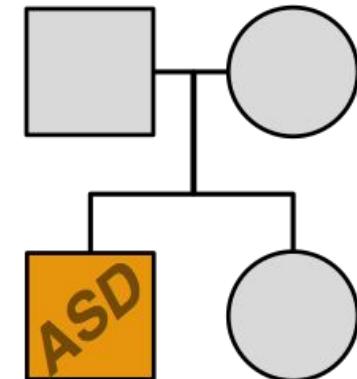
# EXPERIENCE IN THE CLOUD



<https://innovationatwork.ieee.org>

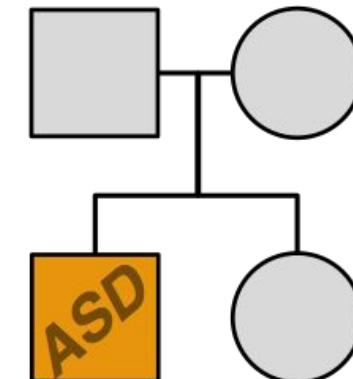
# First Experience

- Pilot study involving 40 Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) families ( $n = 160$ ) from SFARI
- Data hosted on AWS
- Pulled down BAMs to local computing cluster  
~16 TB
- Ran SV detection locally
- Quickly realized the challenge of handling WGS on local computing cluster



# Hybrid Approach

- Phase 1 increased to 519 families ( $n = 2,076$ ) from SFARI
- Raw algorithms run on AWS
- Lots of issues with cloud stability
- Pulled down raw SV VCFs to local computing cluster
- Ran SV pipeline on local compute cluster



# THE VALUE OF POPULATION VARIATION REFERENCES

*Variant  
Class*

**SNVs**  
**InDels**

**SVs**

## *Current Gold-Standard Reference*

**ExAC** (60,706 exomes)

**ARTICLE**

**OPEN**

doi:10.1038/nature19057

Analysis of protein-coding genetic variation in **60,706 humans**

**gnomAD** (125,748 exomes + 15,708 genomes)

New Results

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Variation across **141,456 human exomes and genomes** reveals the spectrum of loss-of-function intolerance across human protein-coding genes

**1000 Genomes Project**

(2,504 low-coverage genomes)

**ARTICLE**

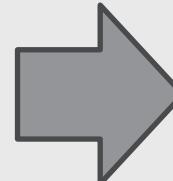
**OPEN**

An integrated map of structural variation in **2,504 human genomes**

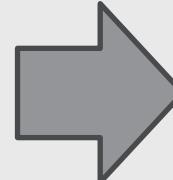
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## *Advances Catalyzed*

- Improved understanding of human demography
- Mutational constraint
- Refined clinical interpretation
- Power for disease association
- Frequency filter for rare diseases
- Human “knockout” identification

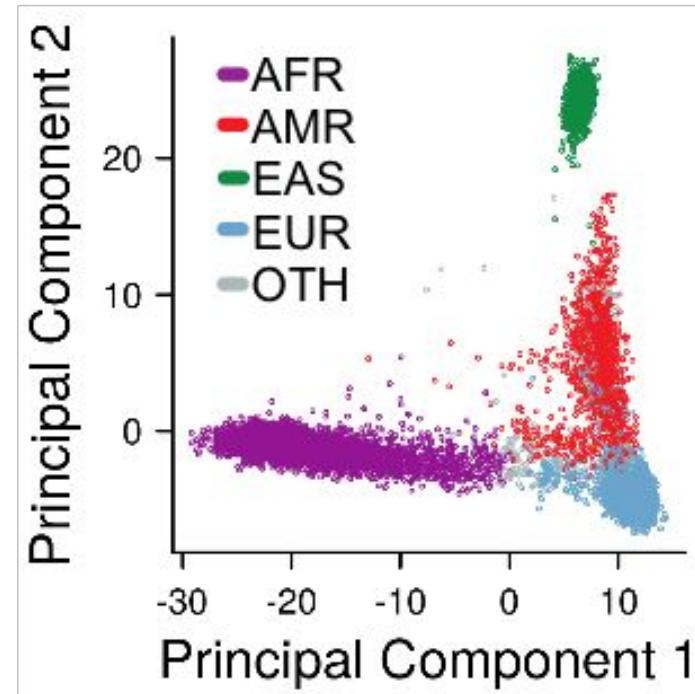
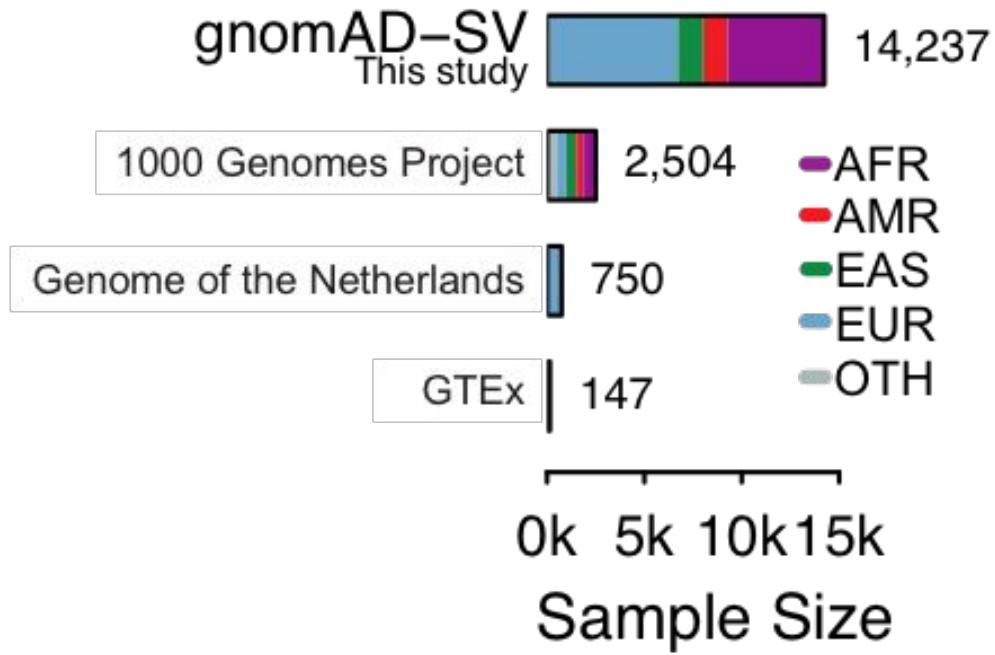


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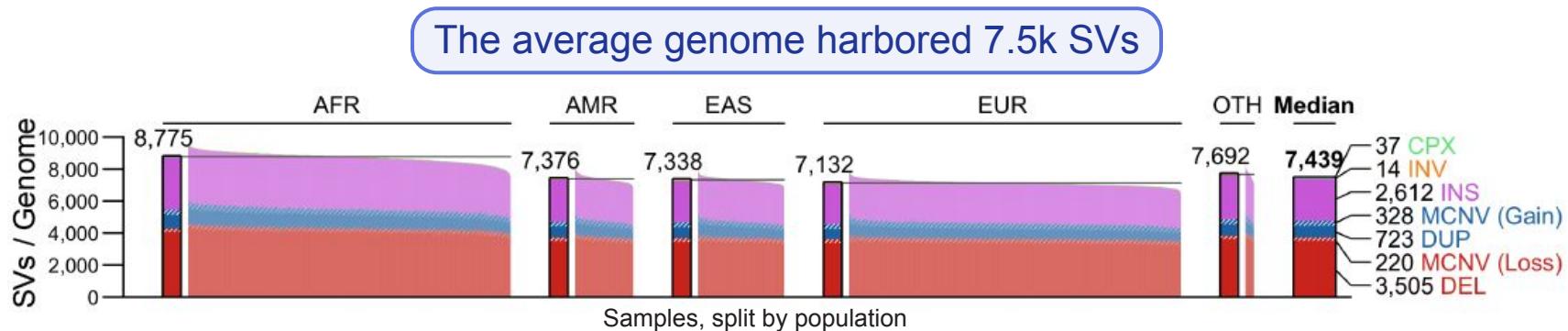
# GNOMAD-SV DATASET

Illumina WGS on 14,891 samples (14,237 passed quality control). Majority (54%) non-European.



# Shift to Cloud

- Large sample in gnomAD necessitated compete shift to cloud
- Set up pipeline on google cloud (GCP) using firecloud/terra platform from the Broad Institute
- Processed and ran QC on all 15,000 samples



# WHAT I HAVE LEARNED USING THE CLOUD FOR GENOMICS

# My Experience - Benefits of the Cloud

- Data sharing
- Ability to massively parallelize due to incredible resources
- Reproducibility of code for groups outside one's home institution
- Technical Support

# What Terrifies Me?

- Financial issues
  - Cost tracking lag (24 hours)
  - Intermediate data file storage
  - Infrastructure changes that break code
  - Surprise preemptible VM bills
- Scalability issues
  - Making sure to run parallel jobs to optimize both time and cost
  - Cost monitoring

# Challenges of Interoperability

GATK-SV has only been adapted for the Terra system on GCP

- Can't directly access data on AWS without pulling to google cloud
- If adapted for AWS do I need to support two provide support for both AWS and GCP
- Resource optimization likely to differ between AWS and GCP

# Conclusions

- I have helped build a cloud-based SV pipeline that has been applied on tens of thousands of samples
- These studies would not have been possible on a standard high-performance computing cluster
- The cloud holds great promise for sharing data and reduces barriers for reproducibility
- Cost tracking is still a little terrifying

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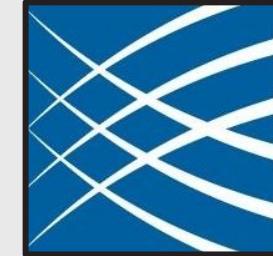
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# Proof of concept of interoperable approaches for improving outcomes of pediatric diseases.

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# Background: Using the Cloud for Complex Trait Genetics Analysis

2017 - 2018:

First researchers to perform a GWAS using FireCloud

2018 - 2019:

Collaborative Development of Cloud-based Workflows

2020:

Collaborative analysis in NHLBI's BioData Catalyst

## TOPMed Diabetes working group

- Genome-wide association studies
- Rare variant association tests
- Writing our first WDLs
- Deploying our first cloud-based workflows

## TOPMed Cloud Computing Pilots

- FireCloud

## Rare variant analysis workflows:

- Collaboration on github
- Analysis Commons hosted by DNANexus
- TOPMed Diabetes working group analysis on Terra

## Large-scale Gene-environment Interaction

- Principle Investigator (MGH)
- Open-source statistical software tools
- WDL workflows
- WDLs in DockStore

## User resources: GWAS in the cloud

- Featured Workspace in Terra
- Workshop at ASHG 2019

## Biodata Catalyst

- Principle Investigator (Broad Institute)

## Biodata Catalyst - Fellows Cohort 1

- Postdoc with Gene-environment Interaction study including TOPMed WGS and 'Omics Data

## CICI Interoperability Project

- Pilot process for cross-platform analysis



# Genetics of CHD: improving outcomes of pediatric diseases

## Study aims:

1. Identify, access, and summarize available genetic and phenotypic data on native cloud platforms
2. Leverage individual-level data from multiple cloud platforms to assess rare variants contributing to CHD risk

## Framework:

- Internal cases (KFDR CHD)
- External controls (FHS/JHS)
- Gene expression follow-up (GTEx)

## Method: Proxy External Controls Association Test (ProxECAT)

Compare ratio of rare, synonymous and nonsynonymous variants per gene between cases and controls

Platform	Datasets	dbGaP	Sample	Use
AnVIL	GTEx	phs000424.v8.p2	980	Not used
Kids First	PCGC	phs001138.v3.p2	699	Case
BioData Catalyst	TOPMed	phs001735,	1,901	Not used
	PCGC	phs001194.v2.p2		
	FHS	phs000974.v4.p3, phs000007.v30.p11	4,155	Control
	JHS	phs000964.v4.p1	2,777	Control

# Export to native cloud platforms

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute | BioData CATALYST Powered by Gen3

Submit Data | Documentation | TMAJARIAN | Logout

Dictionary Exploration Query Workspace Profile

Data File

Data Access ▾

- Data with Access
- Data without Access
- All Data

Export All to Terra | Export All to Seven Bridges | Export to PFB | Export to Workspace

Projects 8 Subjects 27,790

Annotated Sex

Category	Count	Percentage
female	9,907	(35.6%)
male	8,129	(29.3%)
no data	9,754	(35.1%)

Race

Race	Percentage
white	44.13%
black or african american	11.25%
asian	0.64%
multiple	0.44%
other	0.27%
american indian or alaska native	0.02%
native hawaiian or other pacific islander	0%
no data	43.23%

Harmonized Variables

Project Subject

Collapse all

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B-IRB-MDS\_

topmed-JHS\_HM 4036

B-IRB

# Export to native cloud platforms

The screenshot shows the Kids First Data Resource Center interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the NIH logo, a user profile for Gabriella Miller, and links for Dashboard, Explore Data, File Repository (which is active), Members, Resources, and a user profile for Timothy.

The main area is titled "File Repository". On the left, there's a sidebar with "Data" and "File" tabs, and sections for "Data Access" (Data with A, Data without A, All Data) and "Filters" (Harmonized Variables, Project, Subject, Collapse all). Below these are three expandable filter sections: "Study Name", "Diagnosis Category", and "Diagnosis (Source Text)".

The "Study Name" section shows a checkbox for "Kids First: Congenital Heart Defects" which is selected, indicated by a checked box and the number 699. The "Diagnosis Category" section shows checkboxes for "Structural Birth Defect" (selected, 699 files) and "No Data" (697 files). The "Diagnosis (Source Text)" section lists several congenital heart defects: Atrial septal defect, secundum (127), Tetralogy of Fallot (100), Right aortic arch with mirror image branching pattern (89), and Hypoplastic left heart (63).

In the center, there's a search bar with filters: FILE FORMAT is vcf, HARMONIZED DATA is true, DIAGNOSIS CATEGORY is Structural Birth Defect, FAMILY SHARED DATA TYPES is Variant Calls, PARTICIPANTS ID is Uploaded List, STUDY NAME is Kids First: Congenital Hear..., and EXPERIMENT STRATEGY is WGS. Below the search bar, summary statistics are displayed: 699 Files, 2,096 Participants, 699 Families, and 698.23 GB Size.

The main content area shows a table of 699 files, with columns for File ID, Participant ID, Study Name, Proband, Family ID, Data Type, File Format, File Size, and Actions. Two rows are visible:

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GF_TJRD7P4H	PT_DWBNNND...	Kids First: Congenital Heart Defects	No, No, Yes	FM_8MMCZC...	Variant Calls	vcf	1.23 GB	<a href="#">Download</a>

At the bottom, there are pagination controls (Show 20 rows, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, >, >>) and social media sharing icons for Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

Page footer: kidsfirstdrc.org | About the Portal | Policies | Support | Contact | UI: 2.26.1, Data Release: 5.42.0

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# Export to native cloud platforms

The image displays two overlapping web application interfaces side-by-side, illustrating the export of data from a research program to native cloud platforms.

**Kids First Data Resource Center (Left):**

- Header:** NIH National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.
- Filter Options:** Filter, Browse All, Clinical Filters, File Filters.
- Data Access:** Data with Access (selected), Data without Access, All Data.
- Study Name:** Kids First: Congenital Heart Defects.
- Diagnosis Category:** Structural Birth Defect (selected).
- Diagnosis (Source Text):** Atrial septal defect, secundum; Tetralogy of Fallot; Right aortic arch with mirror image branching pattern; Hypoplastic left heart.
- Project:** CF-GTEX (selected), open\_access-100, 0Genomes, tutorial-synthetic\_data\_set\_1.

**The AnVIL (Right):**

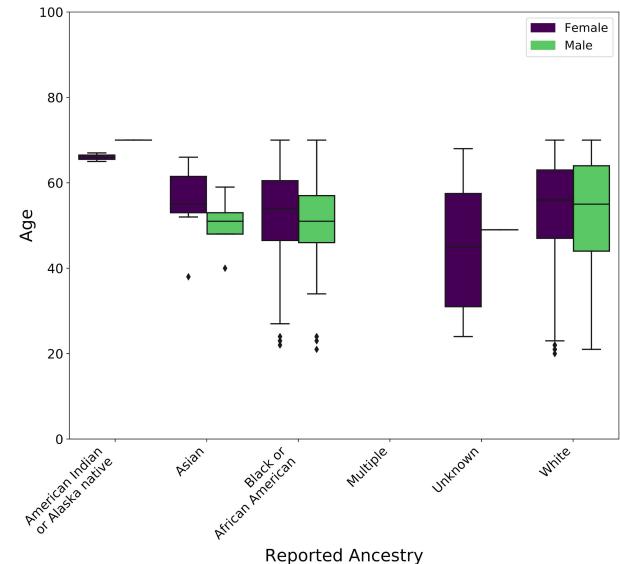
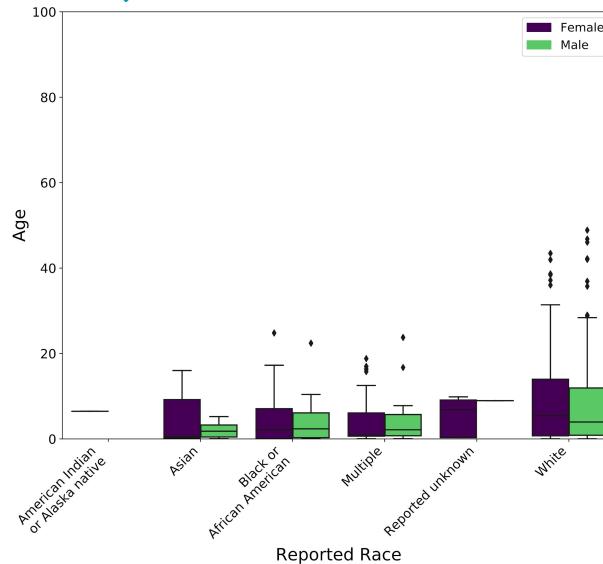
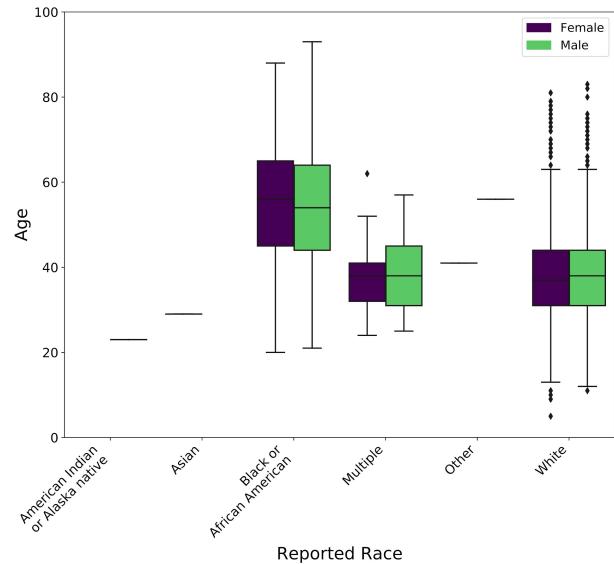
- Header:** Submit Data, Documentation, TMAJARIAN, Logout.
- Navigation:** A-Z, Dictionary, Exploration (selected), Workspace, Profile.
- Data Access:** Download, Export All to Terra, Export to PFB, Export to Workspace.
- Projects:** 1.
- Subjects:** 981.
- Sex:** Male (653, 66.6%), Female (326, 33.2%), no data (2, 0.2%).
- Ancestry:** White (84.81%), Black or African American (12.64%), Asian (1.22%), Unknown (0.82%), American Indian or Alaska Native (0.31%), no data (0.2%).

Showing 1 - 20 of 981 subjects

# Platform-specific summaries



BioData CATALYST  
Powered by Terra



# Preparation of genetic data for association analysis

All preparation steps were performed within separate ecosystems

1. KFDR - Cavatica
2. BioData Catalyst - Terra
3. AnVIL - Terra

Variants included in analysis:

- MAF < 1%
- Protein coding exonic

Variant annotation - Synonymous and non-synonymous

- ANN field in VCF files for KFDR
- DBSNP for JHS and FHS

For each protein coding gene

- Count synonymous and non-synonymous variants
- Separated by cases (KFDR) and controls (JHS and FHS)

ANN: *annotation* field

- Predicted variant effect on gene expression or protein function

DBSNP:

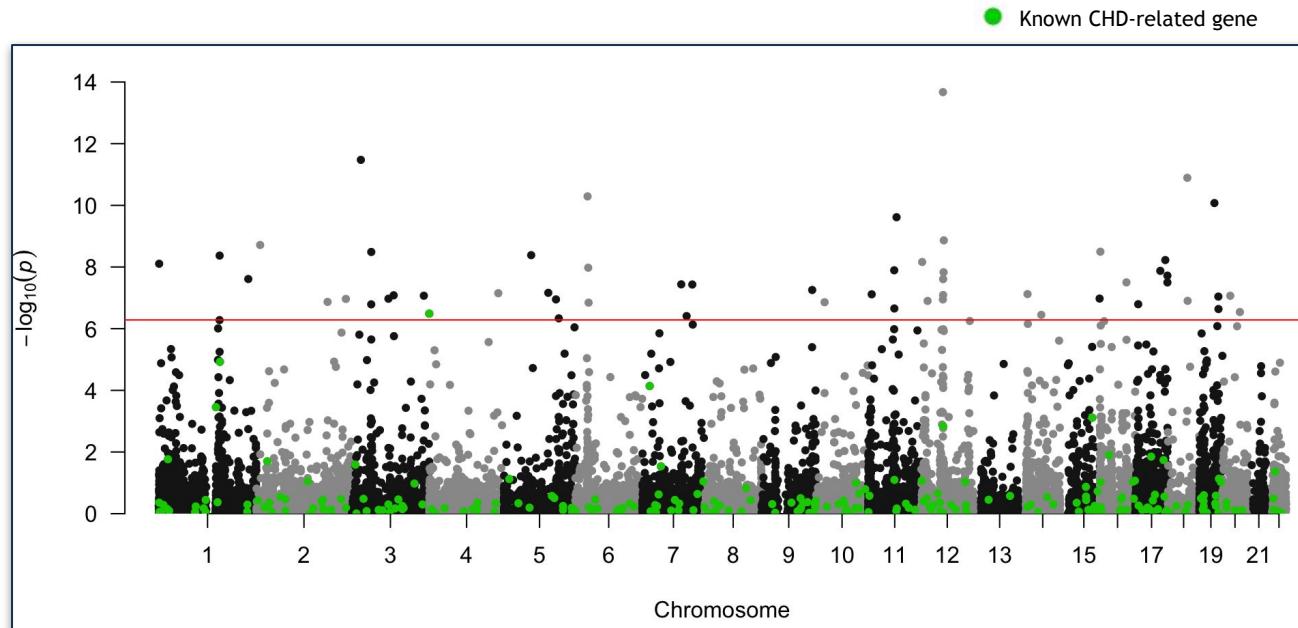
- Database of functional predictions for all coding variants
- Includes same variant effect predictions as ANN field

# ProxEAT results

Association analyses were performed within the BioData Catalyst ecosystem

KFDR data was manually downloaded and uploaded to a BDC workspace

- 17,285 genes tested
- 55 genes with  $P < 5e-7$
- 1 known CHD gene with  $P < 5e-7$



# Then vs Now vs Future

## Pre-interoperability effort

## Current paradigms

## Future

### Data authorization

- Obtain dbGaP access
- Log into dbGaP
- Create download request

### Access and localization to cloud platform

- Start GCS VM
- Download data via Aspera
- Upload data to GCS bucket
- Access through Terra workspace

### Data preprocessing & Final analysis

- Single Terra workspace

### Data authorization

- Obtain dbGaP access

### Access and localization to cloud platform

- ERA credentials through Gen3 or KFDR
- Export data links (DRS) within a individual ecosystems

### Data preprocessing

- Separate workspaces within individual ecosystems

### Final analysis

- Single BDC workspace
- Download & upload KFDR data for analysis

### Data authorization

- Obtain dbGaP access

### Access and localization to cloud platform

- Single sign in within a BDC ecosystem

### Data preprocessing

- One BDC workspace for all data

### Final analysis

- One BDC workspace
- No download and upload



# Stumbles and roadblocks

Data availability across platforms - KFDR (Cavatica) to BDC (Terra)

PFB import to Terra - TOPMed PCGC (BDC) [**SOLVED**]

DRS links - GTEx (AnVIL) [**SOLVED**]

Workflow compatibility - CWL (Cavatica) vs. WDL (Terra)

Data documentation: Data are easy to access but finding exactly how the data were generated remains difficult

Ex: Why is the ANN field missing in the TOPMed cohort-level VCFs?

Ex: What fields are included in genetics data and what do they mean?

Ex: What methods were used for genotype calling? (KFDR vs. TOPMed)



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Framingham Heart Study  
Jackson Heart Study

# Use of cloud computing to study structural variation in congenital heart disease

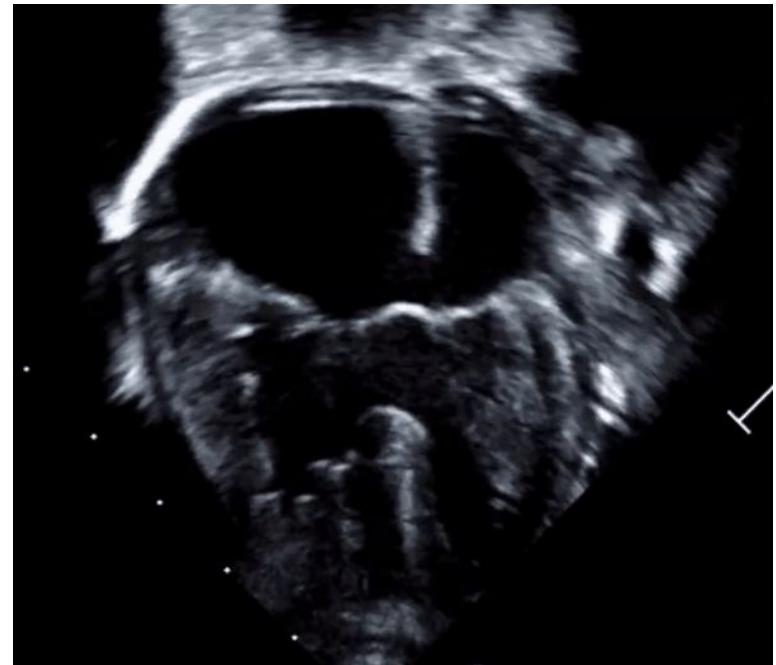
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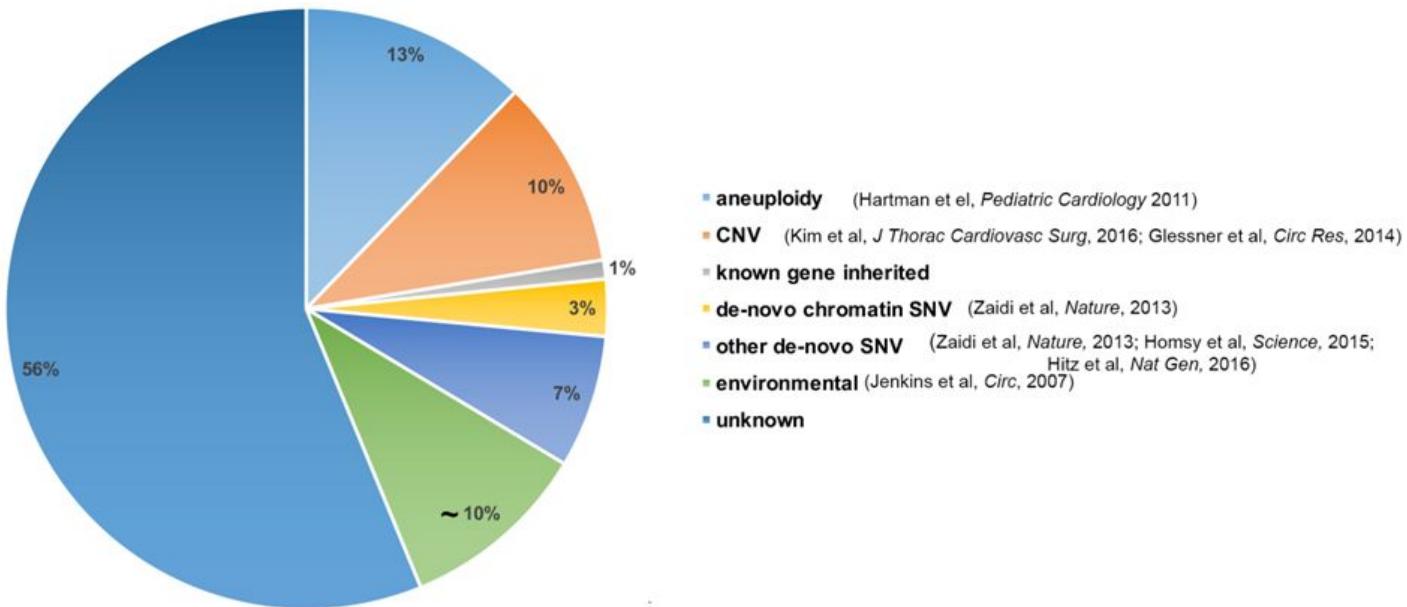


# Congenital Heart Disease

- Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)
  - Most common congenital anomaly
    - 7-8/1000 live births
  - Leading cause of mortality due to a birth defect
  - Strong genetic basis
    - Association with genetic syndromes and chromosomal abnormalities



# Genetics of CHD



# Aim

Can we use WGS to identify previously undetected genetic variants responsible for CHD?



National Heart  
Lung and Blood Institute



Pediatric Cardiac  
Genomics Consortium

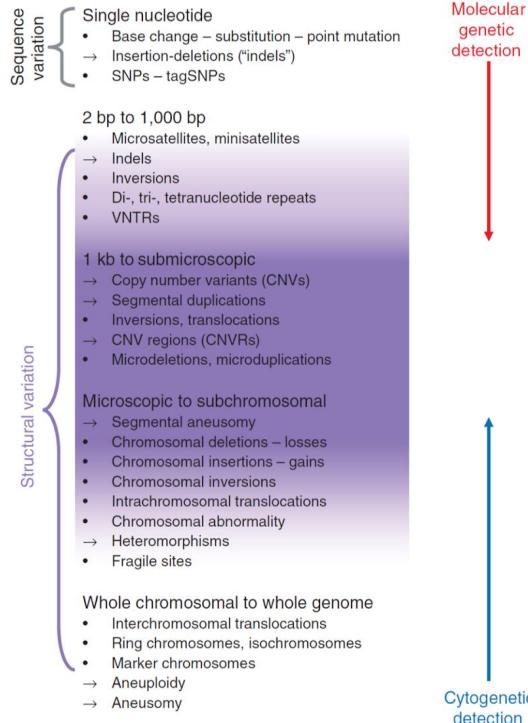


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# Genomic structural variants as a class of undetected variation



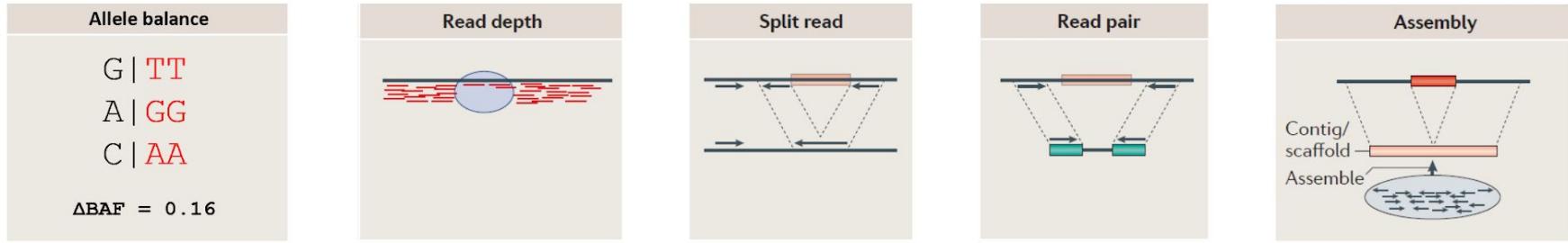
**Structural variant (SV)** – Any genetic change > 50 bp in size that alters the structure of the genome

- Unbalanced: duplications, deletions, insertions
- Balanced: translocations, inversions

Scherer et al. Nature Genetics - Supplement 2007



# Detection of genomic SVs by WGS is resource intensive



- Utilize multiple tools to collect a variety of evidence genome-wide
- Resource requirements pushed our group to consider computing in the cloud

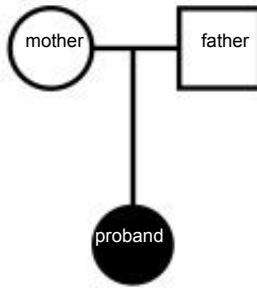
# Important factors that eased transition to the cloud

- Concerns about unknowns surrounding cost of analyses vs no additional cost associated with computing on HPC cluster
  - \$\$\$ available for pilot studies
- Learning curve
  - User-friendly tool editors on Cavatica and help from Seven Bridges bioinformatics team when necessary
- Data availability
  - GMKF generated WGS data on Cavatica

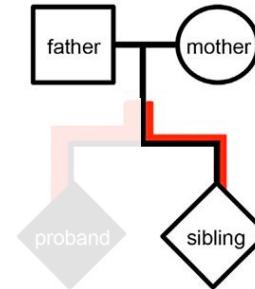


# Experimental Approach

## Cases



## Controls



- 716 CHD trios



- 1650 non-CHD 'trios'

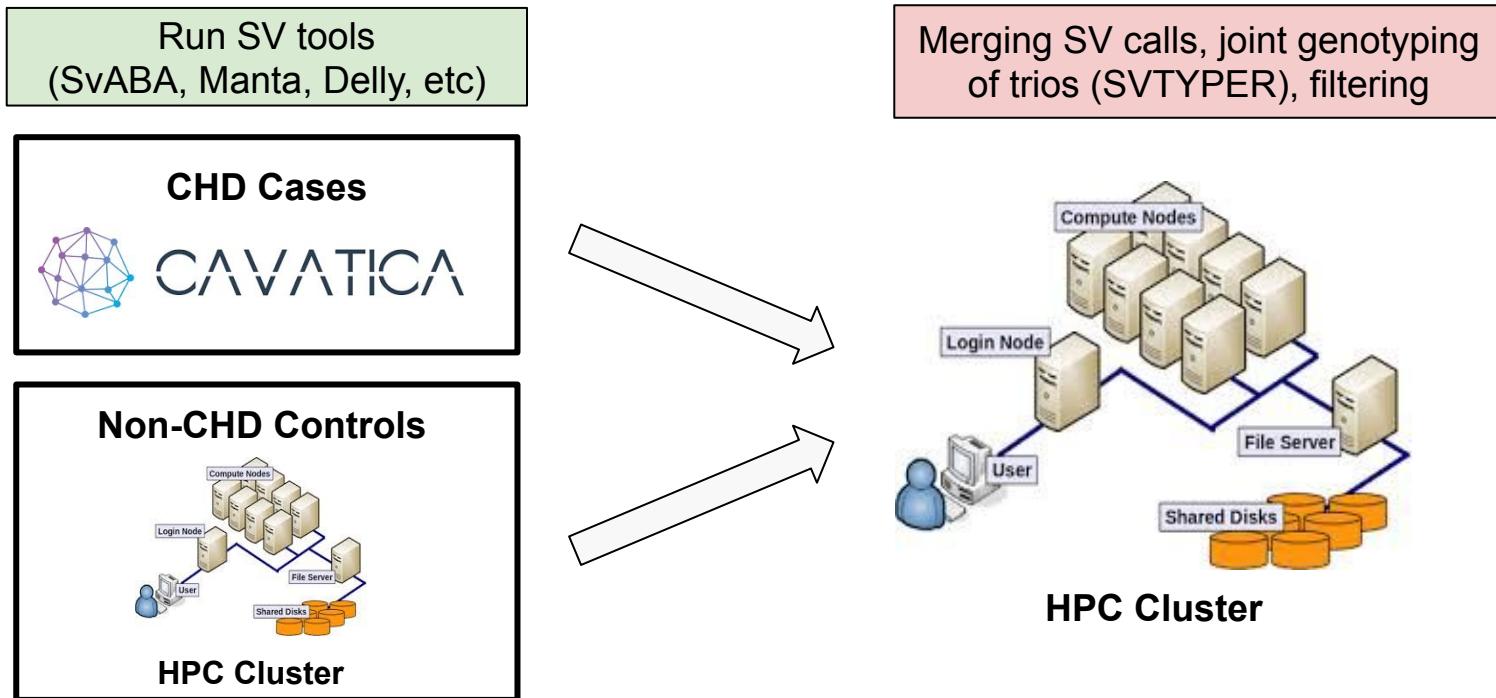


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# Experimental Approach

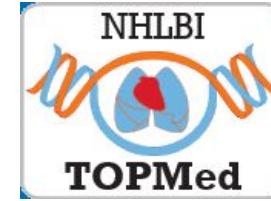


# Initial Study Results

- SV genotyping identifies pathogenic loss-of-function SVs in known CHD genes, and a burden of *de novo* loss-of-function variants in constrained genes
  - Example: Patients with tetralogy of Fallot harbor rare loss-of-function variants in genes associated with the diagnosis ranging from 57bp to 8kb in size
    - *TBX1, KDR, FLT1, NOTCH1*

# Expansion of CHD WGS dataset and population level SV genotype data

- **892 trios sequenced by GMKF**
- **1067 trios sequenced by TOPMED**
- **Population level SV data from gnomAD-SV**



# Current Approach

- Genotype SVs in 1950+ CHD trios using GATK-SV in collaboration with Drs. Brand and Talkowski (ongoing)



- GMKF WGS data manually uploaded to Terra platform for this analysis



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# Importance of Interoperability

- PCGC Cohort split between two platforms
  - A problem for major analyses and minor tasks
- In addition to CHD, we are applying GATK-SV workflow in Terra to other cardiovascular and developmental datasets: TOPMED (cardiomyopathy) and GMKF (microtia)
- As our lab is starting to perform additional analyses in the cloud and location of workflows and datasets is a major considerations as we make this transition



# Positive experiences computing in cloud ecosystems

- Acceleration of research through use of ‘on demand’ cloud compute resources
- Ease of data sharing
  - Access to more control WGS data



# Barriers encountered while computing in cloud ecosystems

- Datasets of interest split between two platforms
- Difficulty estimating cost upfront / difficulty monitoring cost
- Expensive mistakes / backend errors
- WDL vs CWL, and lack of workflow portability

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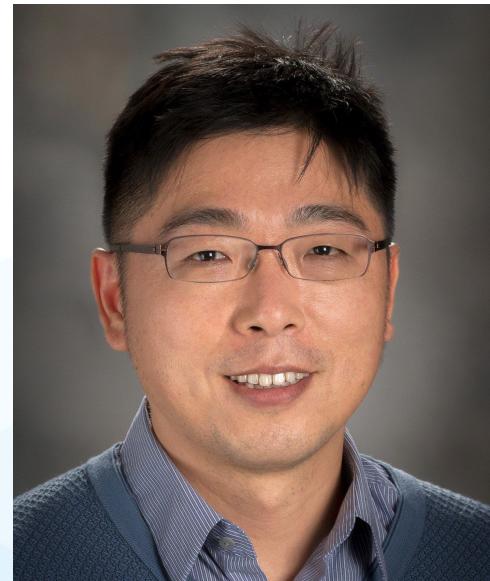
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# **Studies on extrachromosomal DNA alterations using cloud computing over multiple tumor types**

**Hoon Kim**

Senior Research Scientist  
Jackson Laboratory



# Our two studies made possible through the Cancer Genomics Cloud of the Institute for Systems Biology (ISB-CGC) and Amazon Web Service (AWS)

ARTICLES  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41588-018-0105-0>

**nature genetics**

**Discordant inheritance of chromosomal and extrachromosomal DNA elements contributes to dynamic disease evolution in glioblastoma**

**Whole-genome sequencing (WGS) from 53 TCGA-GBM & LGG samples**

*Ana\*, Kim\* et al, 2018*

**nature genetics**

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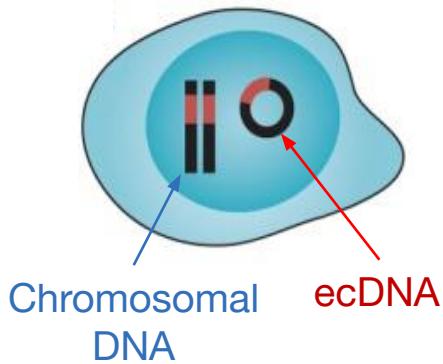


**Extrachromosomal DNA is associated with oncogene amplification and poor outcome across multiple cancers**

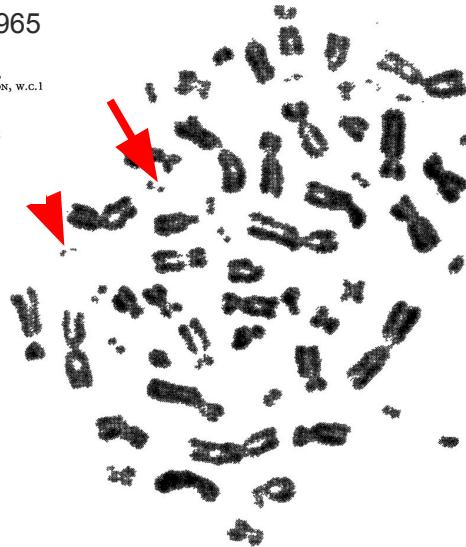
**Whole-genome sequencing from >5000 samples (tumor & normal)**

*Kim et al, 2020*

# Extrachromosomal DNA (ecDNA) elements in cancer were first described in 1965



THE LANCET, 1965  
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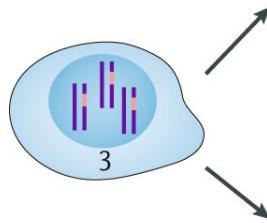


- Circular DNA
- Also referred to as “minute bodies” or “double minutes”
- Previously, it was reported to be in **only 1.4% of tumors** (Mitelman, 2007)

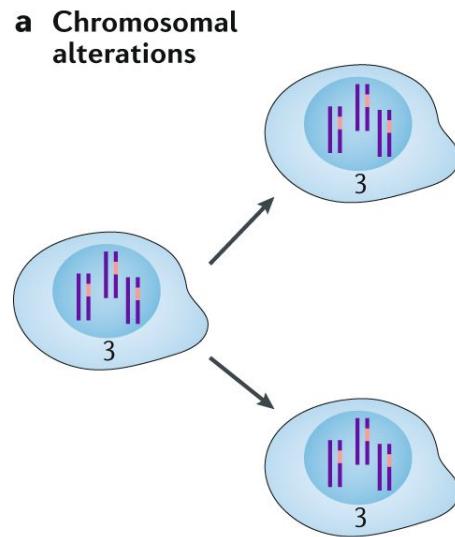
Metaphase chromosome spreads from neuroblastoma cell

# Uneven segregation of ecDNAs during cell division

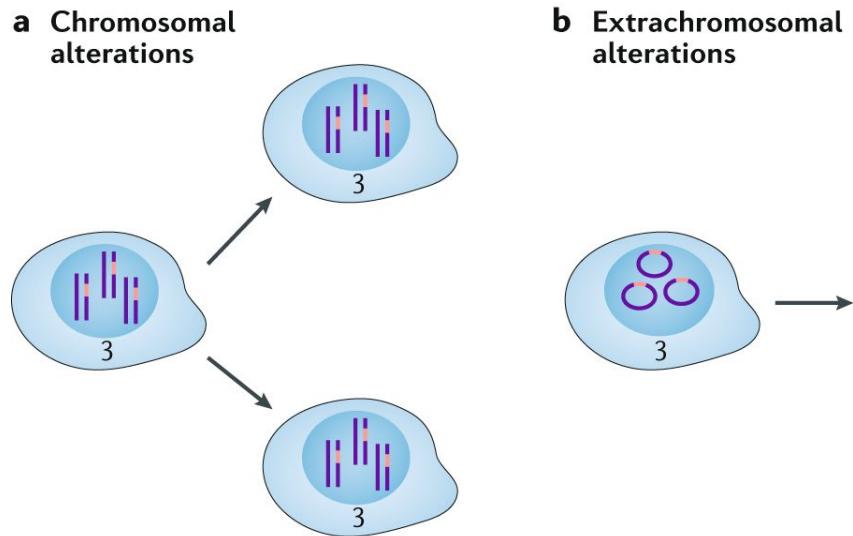
## a Chromosomal alterations



# Chromosomal alterations are equally segregated during cell division

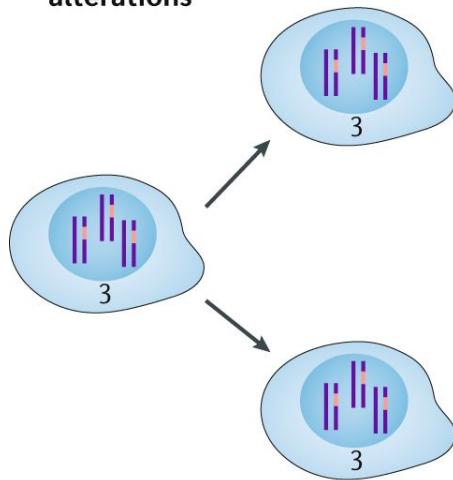


# The segregation patterns of ecDNAs during cell division are different from chromosomal DNA.

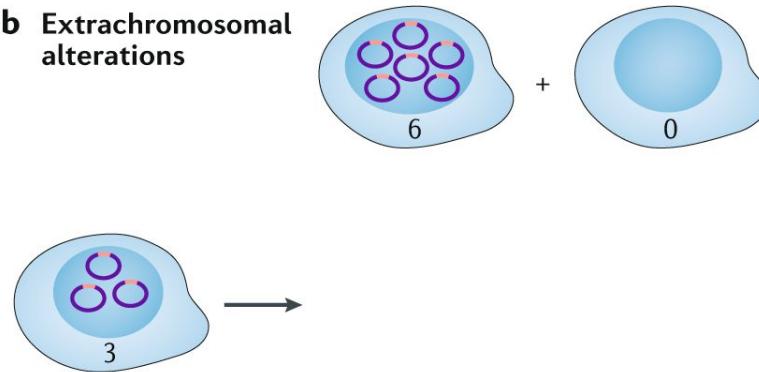


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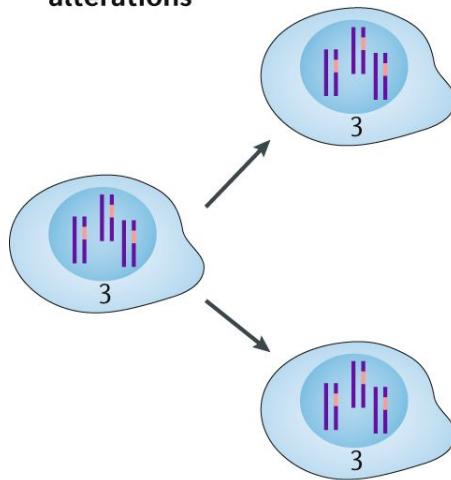


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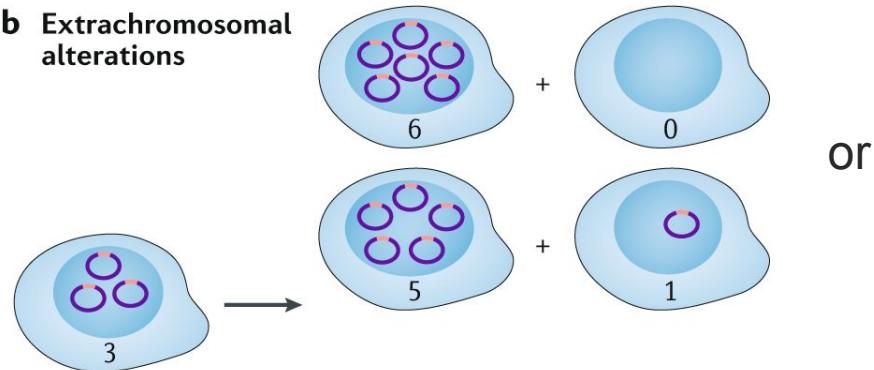


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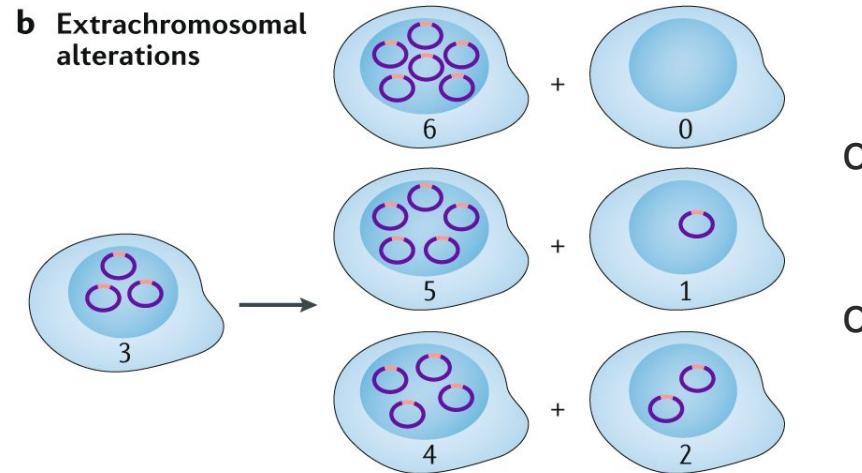
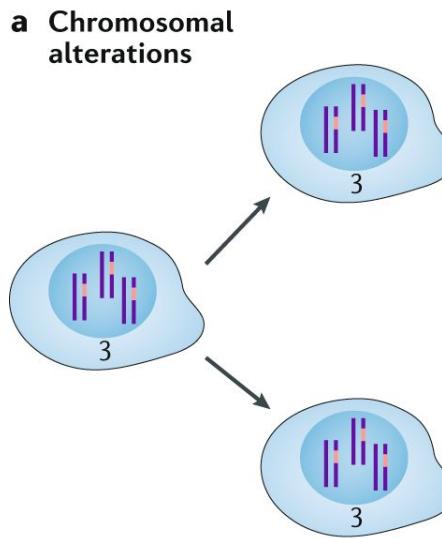
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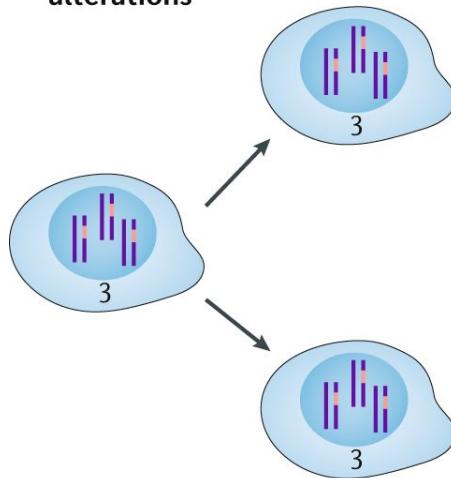


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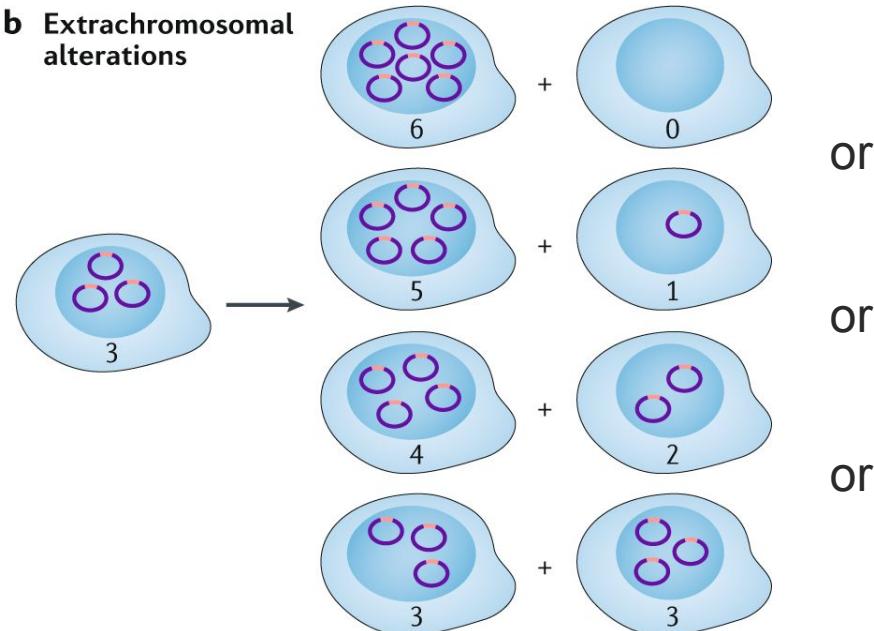


# Uneven and random segregation of ecDNA during cell division

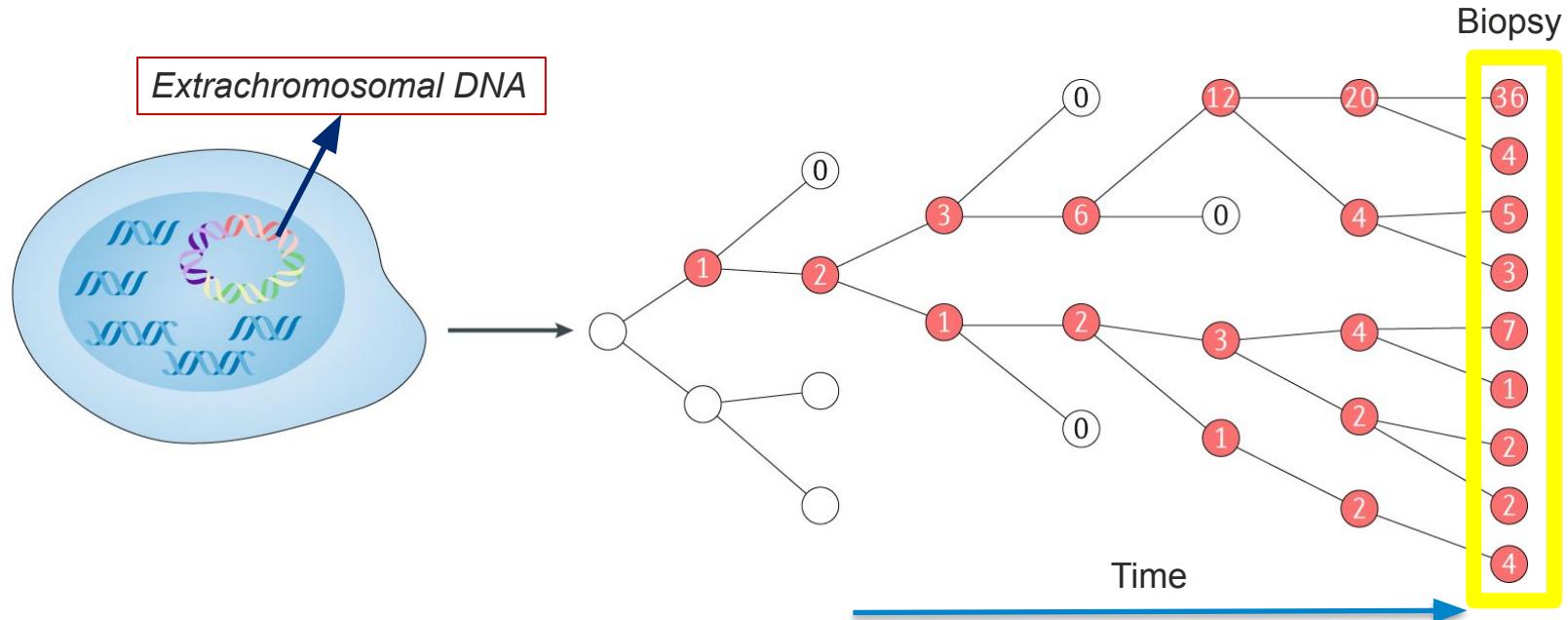
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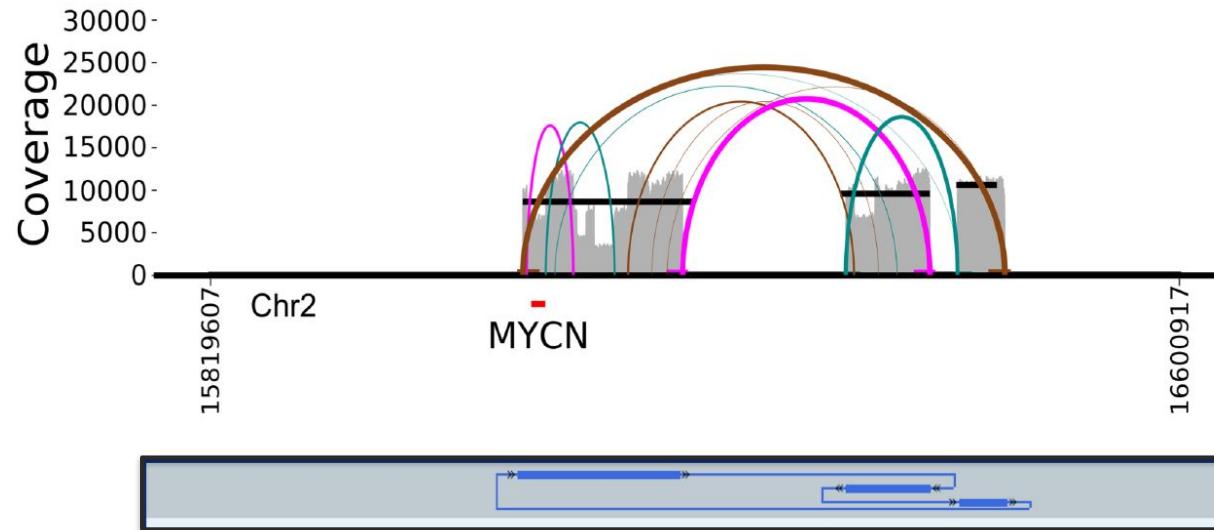


# Extrachromosomal oncogenic DNA elements rapidly accumulate, driving tumor heterogeneity.

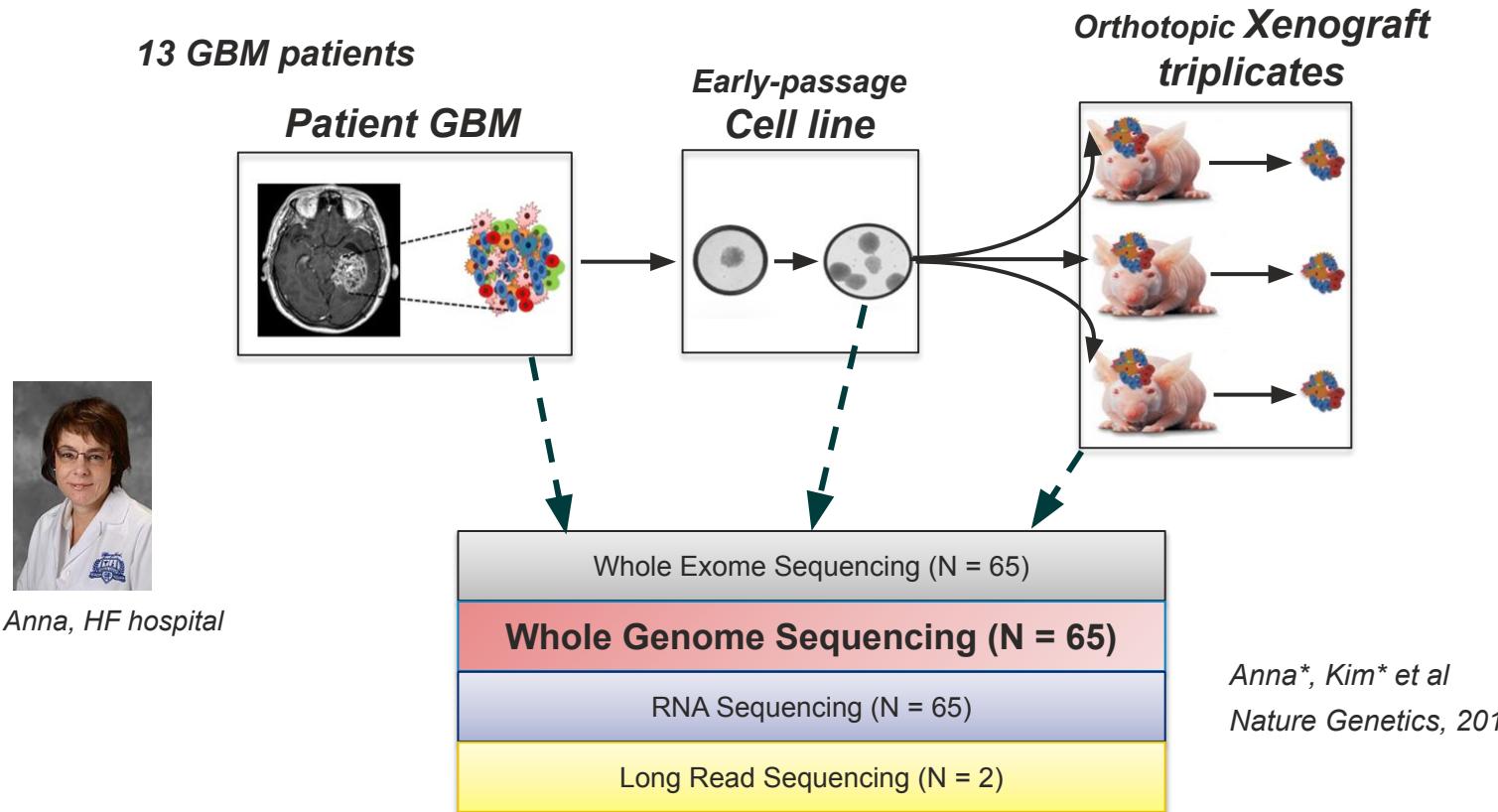


*Rapid ecDNA-driven tumor heterogeneity associated with uneven ecDNA segregation.*

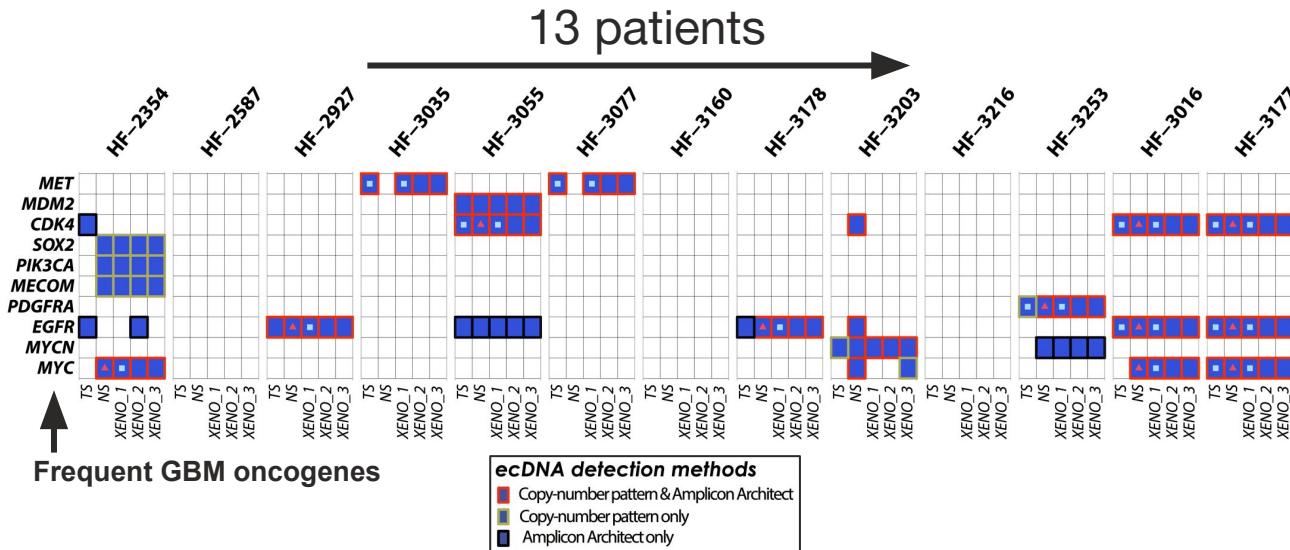
# We can computationally predict ecDNA from whole-genome sequencing



# Study I - Modeling GBM evolution *in vitro* and *in vivo*

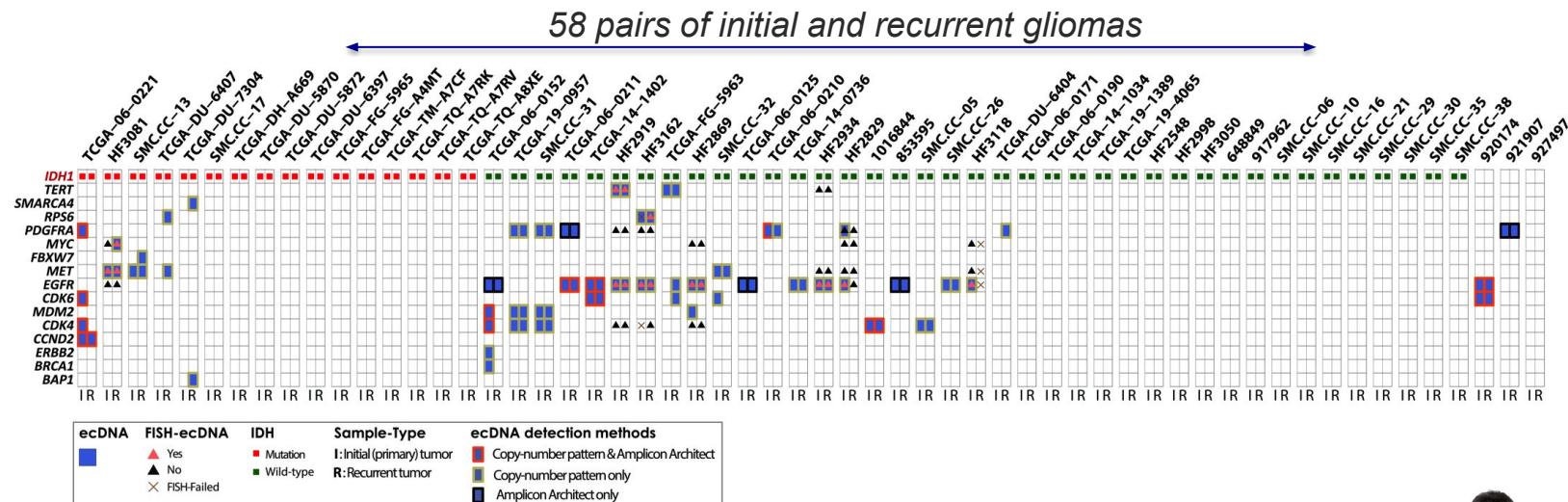


# All oncogenic amplifications were ecDNAs in our data.



- We reconstructed one or more ecDNAs in most of the glioblastoma samples.
- EcDNAs are highly frequent in glioblastoma.
- The previous ecDNA incidence rate (1.4%) may be wrong.**

# Analyze 58 pairs of initial and recurrent gliomas to detect ecDNAs



- 27 pairs of gliomas from TCGA were analyzed through ISB-CGC
- 38 patients were predicted to contain at least one ecDNA.
- ~70% of the ecDNA driver genes were preserved.
- High level CNV amplifications that disappeared at relapse were most likely to be ecDNAs.



# Study II - Pan-cancer survey of ecDNAs

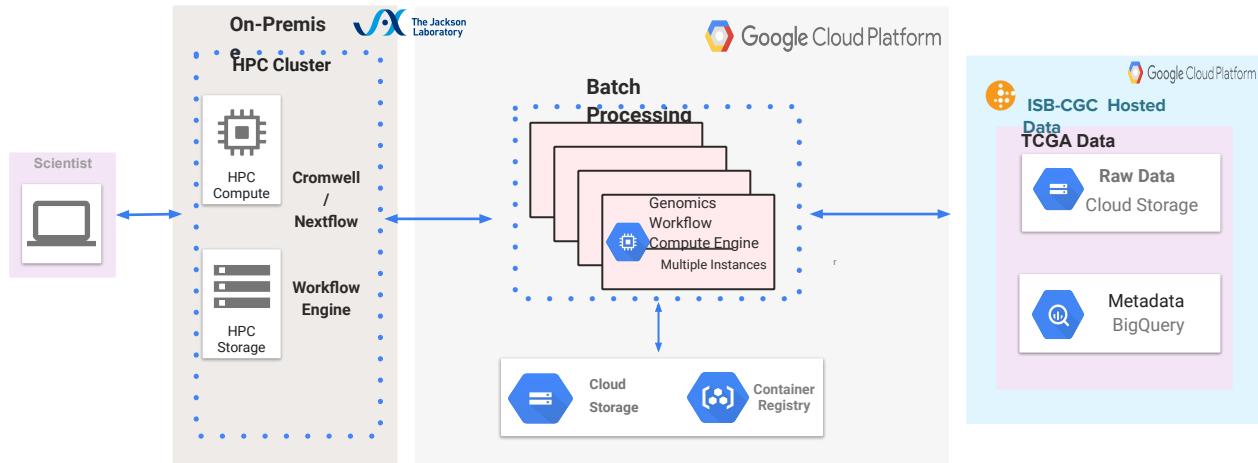


<i><b>Lineage</b></i>	<i><b>Tumor</b></i>	<i><b>Normal</b></i>	<i><b>Total</b></i>
Prostate	301	116	417
Liver	252	52	304
Pancreatic	213		213
Renal	198	129	327
Pediatric Brain	188		188
Skin	164	137	301
Breast	159	111	270
Head and Neck	153	137	290
Gastric	145	124	269
Lung Adeno	143	145	288
Uterine Corpus Endometrial	143	137	280
Thyroid papillary	136	130	266
Bladder	112	95	207
Esophageal	112	60	172
Lymphoid leukemia	95		95
Lower Grade Glioma	85	89	174
B-cell lymphoma	83	7	90
Colorectal	74	70	144
Ovarian	70	45	115
Cervical	66	64	130
Lung Squamous cell	50	49	99
Uveal melanoma	50	51	101
Myeloid leukemia	48	39	87
Glioblastoma	47	45	92
Ewing Sarcoma	37		37
Sarcoma	36	37	73
Myeloid Disorders	30		30
Biliary tract	11		11
Oral	11		11
<b>Total</b>	<b>3212</b>	<b>1869</b>	<b>5081</b>

# The Challenge: Large-scale data analysis in hybrid, multi cloud system

- Leverage on-premise HPC system and public cloud platforms
  - TCGA data is hosted on Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
  - ICGC data is hosted on Amazon Web Services (AWS)
  - Initial and subsequent analysis on the on-premise HPC cluster
- Use a workflow engine that supports multiple backend environments, thus avoiding reengineering of the workflow
- Minimize data transfer between the systems and avoid local storage issue.

# Analysis of TCGA WGS on Google Cloud Platform



- ISB Cancer Genomics Cloud (ISB-CGC) hosts the TCGA data in the cloud
- Cromwell workflow was used.
- Co-localization of the compute and data for the computation.
- Scalable, short-lived batch analysis
- Google's Preemptible VMs to save costs (~90% discount)

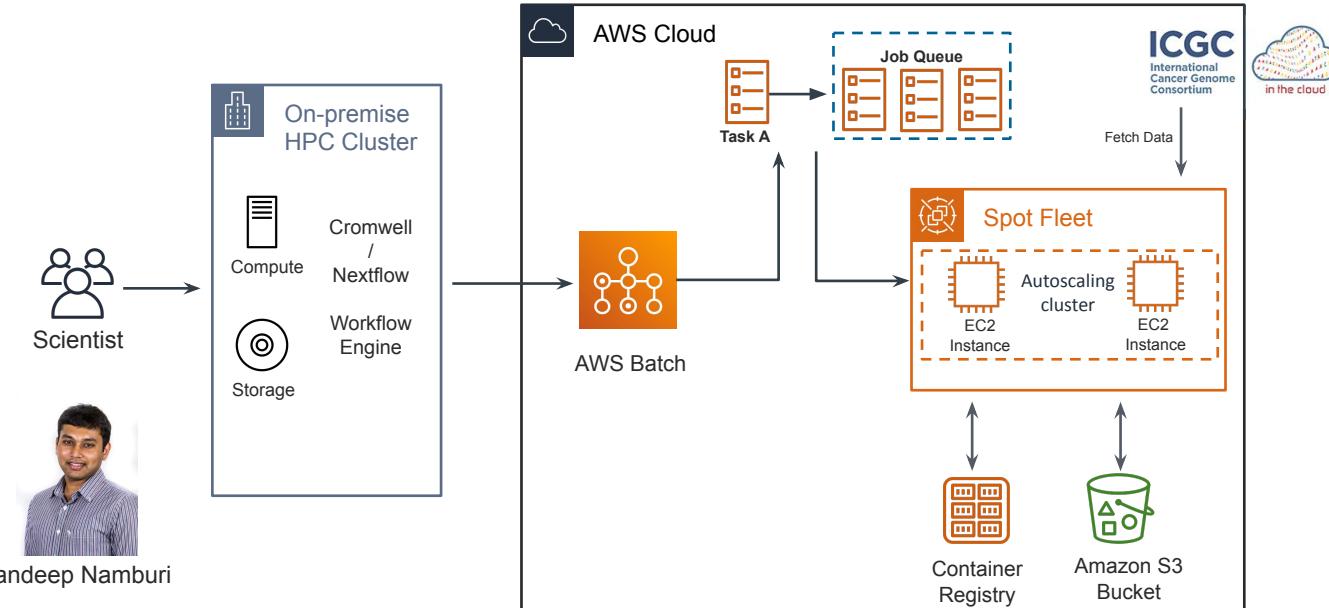


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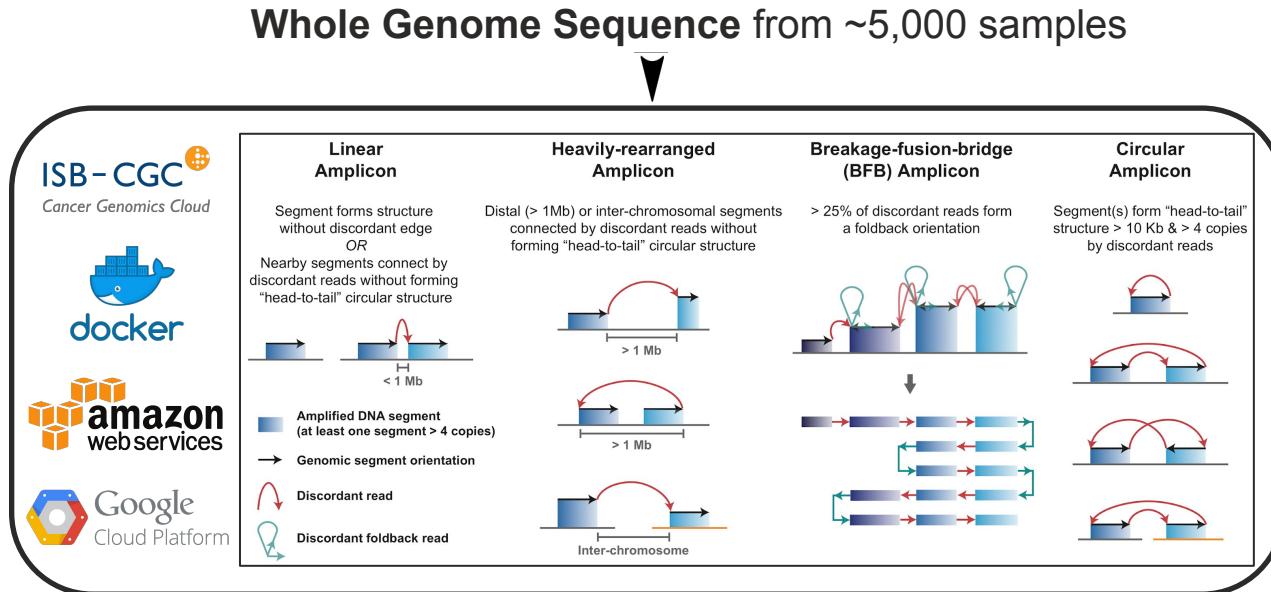
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# Analysis of ICGC WGS on Amazon Web Services

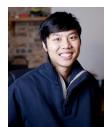


- ICGC data is hosted on Amazon Web Services (AWS).
- Cromwell workflow was used.
- Unlike the GCP preemptible VMs (lasting 24hours), spot instances have no such limit.
- Ability to auto-scale disks attached to an AWS instance.

# We were able to predict ecDNAs and non-ecDNA types through clouds



*In collaboration with UCSD, Stanford,  
Berlin Institute of Health*

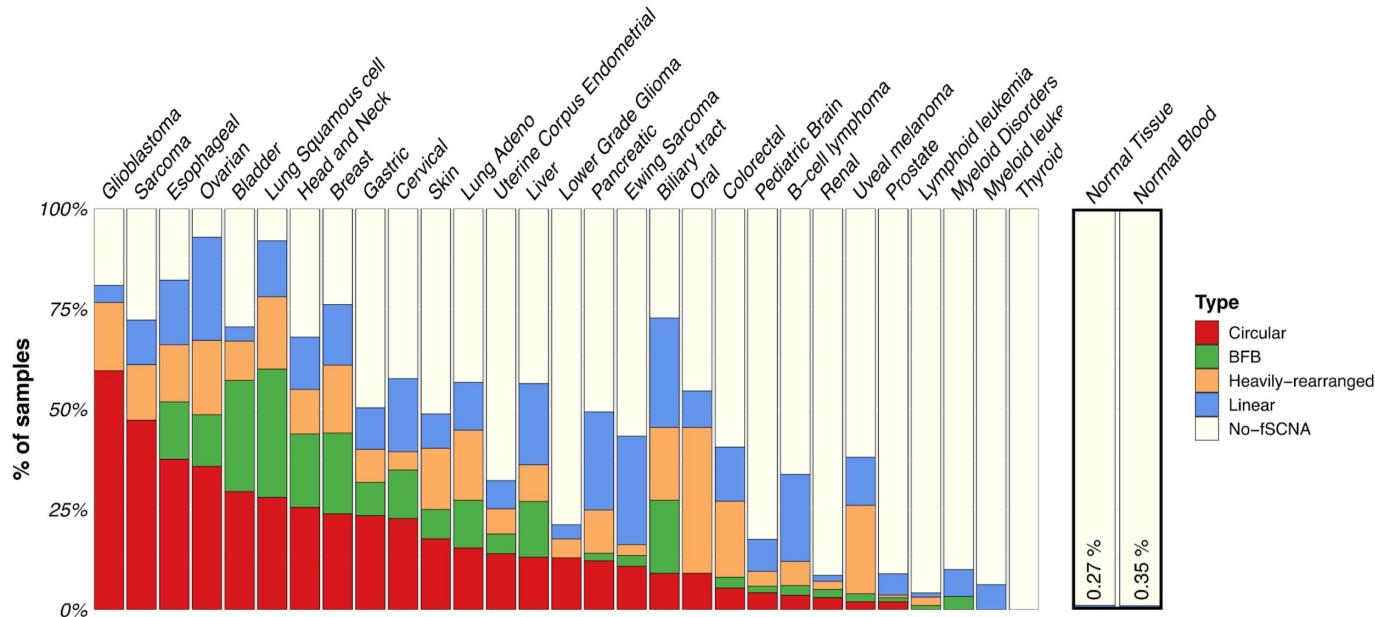


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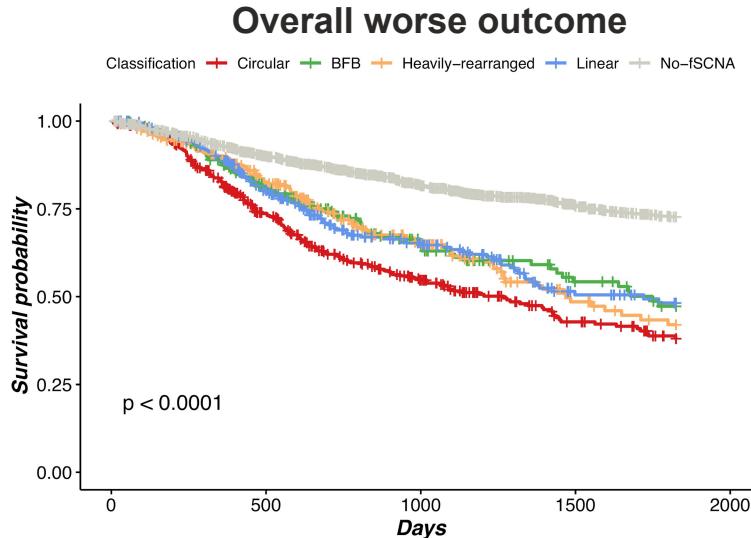
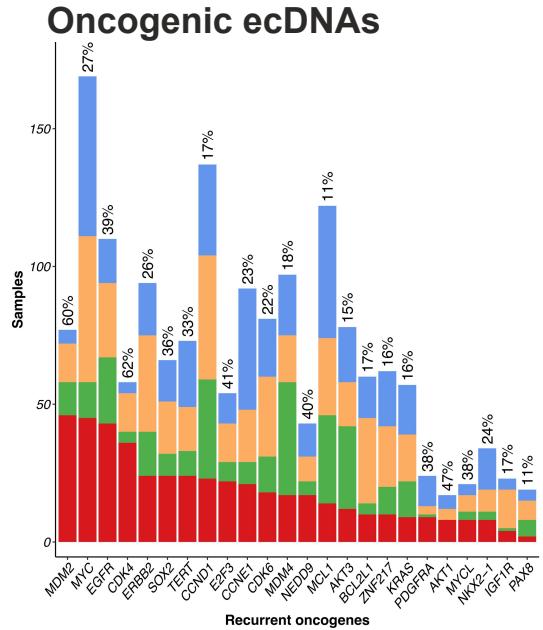
Jens Luebeck

# EcDNAs were found in 25 of 29 cancer types



- Higher frequencies in the most malignant forms of cancer, demonstrating that ecDNA plays a critical role in cancer.
- Almost none in normal
- The previous ecDNA incidence rate (1.4%) is wrong.

# EcDNA tumors behave more aggressively, having an overall worse outcome.



# On Oct. 2020, ecDNA was selected as the most important problem in cancer research by the global research community

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Cancer Grand Challenges website. The header features the "CANCER GRAND CHALLENGES" logo and a large, stylized geometric graphic composed of interconnected white lines on a black background. A circular overlay on the right side displays the text "Application deadline 22/04/21" and a button labeled "Apply now". Below the main graphic, a box contains the text "Scientific creativity on a global scale" and "Harnessing the power of discovery to tackle cancer's most complex challenges". The footer includes logos for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Cancer Institute (NCI), and Cancer Research UK, along with several news items with publication dates from October 2020.

The screenshot shows the "RESEARCH GRANTS" section of the NCI website. At the top, there are links for "ABOUT CANCER", "CANCER TYPES", "RESEARCH", "GRANTS & TRAINING" (which is highlighted in blue), "NEWS & EVENTS", and "ABOUT NCI". Below this is a search bar and a navigation menu with icons for print, email, and social media. The main content area is titled "Cancer Grand Challenges" and discusses the partnership between NCI and CRUK to fund multidisciplinary research teams. It mentions the timeline for the 2021 Challenge questions.

<https://www.cancer.gov/grants-training/grants-funding/cancer-grand-challenges>  
<https://cancergrandchallenges.org/>

The screenshot shows a challenge detail page for "Extrachromosomal DNA". The title is "CHALLENGE: Understand the biology of ecDNA generation and action and develop approaches to target these mechanisms in cancer". Below this, a section titled "FOCUS: Extrachromosomal DNA" is shown. At the bottom, there is a "View challenge" button and a small diagram illustrating extrachromosomal DNA structures.

# Summary

- **Extrachromosomal DNAs**
  - EcDNAs contribute to intratumoral heterogeneity.
  - EcDNA is operant in a large fraction of human cancers, contributing to the poor outcomes for patients.
- **Cloud computing**
  - Significant engineering needed to setup the resources on the cloud providers.
    - Fortunately, JAX has a cloud specialist.
  - Workflow manager with multiple systems are helpful to avoid reengineering of the workflow, rather than directly using the native executors like AWS Batch or GCP Pipelines API.

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NIH Workshop on Cloud-Based Platforms Interoperability  
October 30th and November 2nd, 2020

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# Lunch Break

We will resume at 1:30 pm ET.

# MORNING SESSION KEY MESSAGES

1. Awesome, impactful, accelerated science can *actually* happen by harnessing the multi-platform cloud setting!
2. Both “expert” users and “new” users are able to leverage the advantages of cloud platforms when supported.
3. Users still face “binaries” in decision making that limit their full potential for harnessing platforms/cloud:
  - a. Costs/platforms→ On Prem vs. Cloud (and which cloud?), where and from whom do I have my credits, how do I support “other” data (see b.) -- help with cost optimization.
  - b. Terra vs. SBG vs. ISB vs. “X” →
    - i. What data do I have to move where since I not only am I accessing multiply hosted datasets, **but have some of my own data, own cohorts, or other existing studies that I need to intersect with the cloud-based cohorts (relates to the multiple cohort creation processes users will engage when navigating interop).**
  - c. CWL vs. WDL → where should I either invest in transforming my pipelines or are the “right” combinations of multiple pipelines available? Is there a way not to be “locked in” by this?

# Intro: Capturing Roadmap Ideas

## Utilizing Fun Retro

Can start putting ideas down during WG updates  
Hour interactive session at the end of the day

The screenshot shows a 'FunRetro' interface for 'NCPI Roadmap Brainstorming'. The top navigation bar includes 'Sort: order', 'Layout', and 'Prime Directive' with a user profile icon. The main area displays a grid of ideas categorized by color:

- Green (Datasets/Initiatives Driving Interoperability):**
  - PCGC
  - INCLUDE
  - MIS-C
- Blue (6 Month Roadmap):**
  - FHIR WG: evaluate cloud offerings
  - Sys Interop: RAS as default login across platforms
  - KFDRC: Variant Workbench
  - Sys Interop: DRS as standard for accessing cloud objects across the platforms
- Purple (12 Month Roadmap):**
  - KFDRC: Long Read Pilot
  - FHIR WG: Establish production server setup
- Dark Blue (Emerging Concepts/Unmet Needs):**
  - Tools/workflow portability
  - Variant/gene level interoperability - searching / exchange for tools and analysis

Each idea card includes a 'like' button, a comment icon, and a 'edit' icon.

# Working Group Updates:

## NIH Coordination



**Valentina Di Francesco & Ken Wiley**  
NHGRI/AnVIL



# Membership

## NHGRI AnVIL

- Valentina Di Francesco  
(Co-Chair)
- Ken Wiley (Co-Chair)
- Natalie Kucher

## NHLBI BioData Catalyst

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# Coordination WG's Responsibilities



- Serve as the NIH Governance body for NCPI
- Stewardship of the NCPI WGs activities
- Liaison with NIH ODSS and other parts of the NIH



# NCPI Governance

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- Ratified the NCPI Interoperability Principles proposed by the Community Governance WG
- Aiming to balance the NCPI's goals and priorities versus IC-specific platform goals and priorities
- Addressing specific issues that arise, such as those related to the NCPI's developers access to the resources for testing platforms' interoperability tools
- Forum for ICs reps interactions and information sharing



# Stewardship

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Launched five trans-NIH WGs

## NCPI All Hands Workshops

- 1st kick-off workshop hosted in Oct 2019 by NHLBI/BDC at RENCI
- Internal “Train your Colleague” workshop organized by the NHGRI/AnVIL and the Training WG in March 2020 (*virtual*)
- 2nd workshop hosted in April 2020 by NHGRI/AnVIL (*virtual*)
- 3rd workshop hosted in Oct 2020 by CF/Kids First (*virtual*)



# Liaison with NIH Constituents

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- Align NCPI efforts with the goals of the NIH Strategic Plan for Data Science
  - Facilitate collaboration with the NIH RAS Project
  - Leverage of ODSS supplement funds
  - Leveraged the 2020 ODSS Data Scholar program
- Interaction with the NIH Data Access Policy groups
- Information dissemination across the NIH



# Goals for Year 2

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- Identify and agree upon next year's priorities and milestones
- Implement interoperability principles
- Host NCPI all hands workshops every 6 months
- Offer training opportunities for outside investigators
- Pursue additional funding support
- Continue collaboration with RAS
- Improve visibility across the NIH and share best practices for platforms interoperability across NIH
- Solidify collaboration with GA4GH work streams

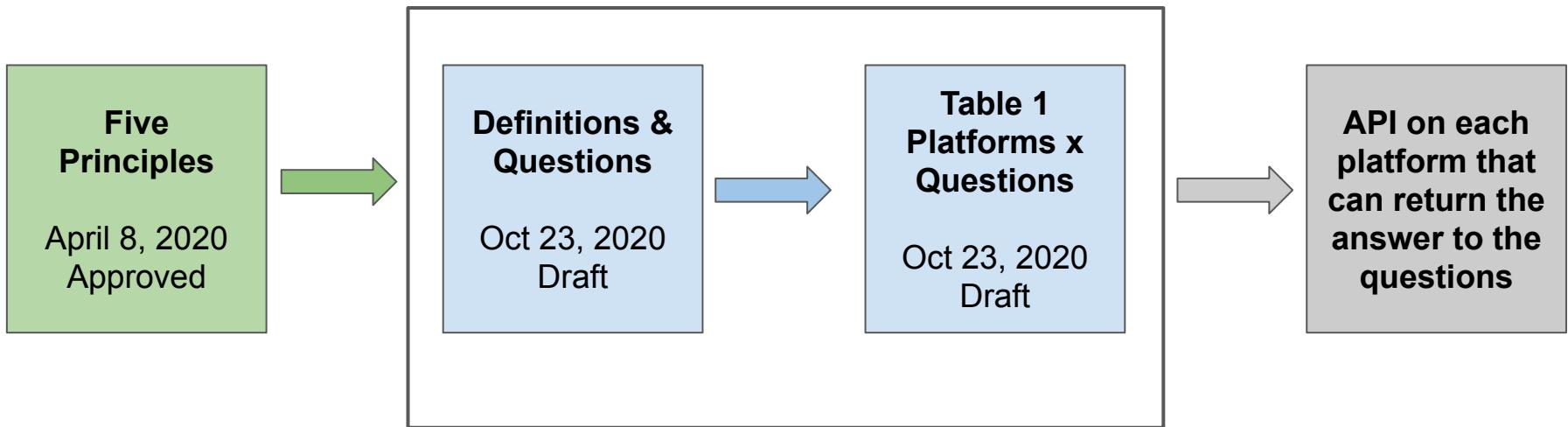
# Working Group Updates: Community / Governance

**Bob Grossman, Professor,  
University of Chicago**

**Stan Ahalt, Director, RENCI**



# Community / Governance WG - Overview



focus since the last meeting

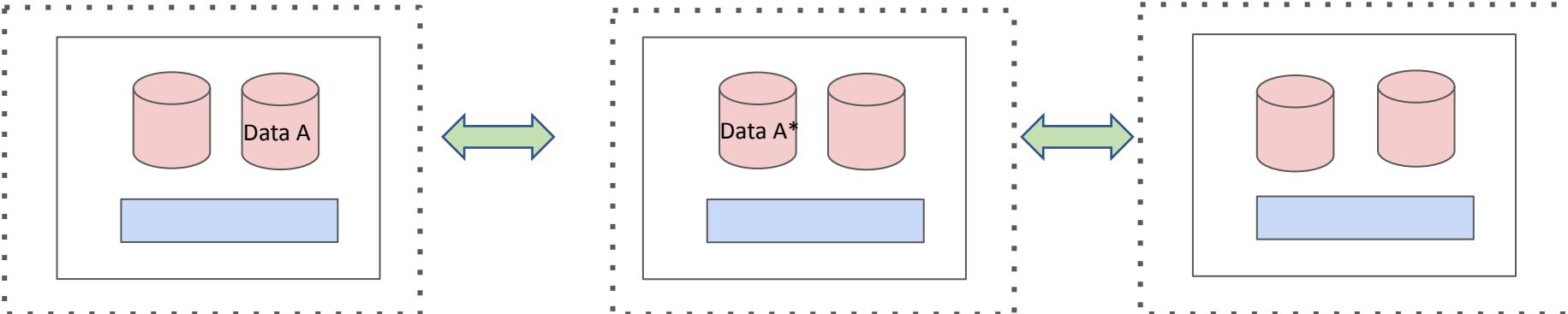


# White Papers

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- [Five Principles](#) (Version C) for Interoperating Data Platforms was approved on April 8, 2020
- These principles were not precise enough to determine easily whether a platform was following them or not
  - Three of the questions are the most relevant to interop between cloud platforms
  - We have drafted a white paper that provides **definitions** and a series of **questions** that each platform can answer that provides enough specificity so that a platform's adherence can be determined
  - Towards Characterizing [Cloud Platform Interoperability](#) (October 23, 2020)
  - Short name - C2PI White Paper

# We have some blockers ...



Platform A boundary

Platform B boundary

Platform C boundary

\*copy or DRS identifiers

In general, platforms would like to access other platforms data, but are hesitant to let other platforms access their data.

What type of agreement are required for a User in Platform B or C to access data that they are authorized to access?

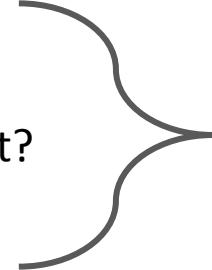


# Key Concepts

- **Trust** - if two platforms trust each other they should be able to exchange data
- **Authorized environment** -
  - New concept in our C2PI White Paper
  - Example, with dbGaP the organization's IT Director through the organization's SO authorizes an environment for data downloaded from dbGaP
  - Example, for a cloud platform, the Institute's CISO can authorize an environment, say by approving an ATO for FISMA Moderate environment
- **Authorized Environment Principle** - authorize environments and authorize users and trust the authorizations

# Key Questions

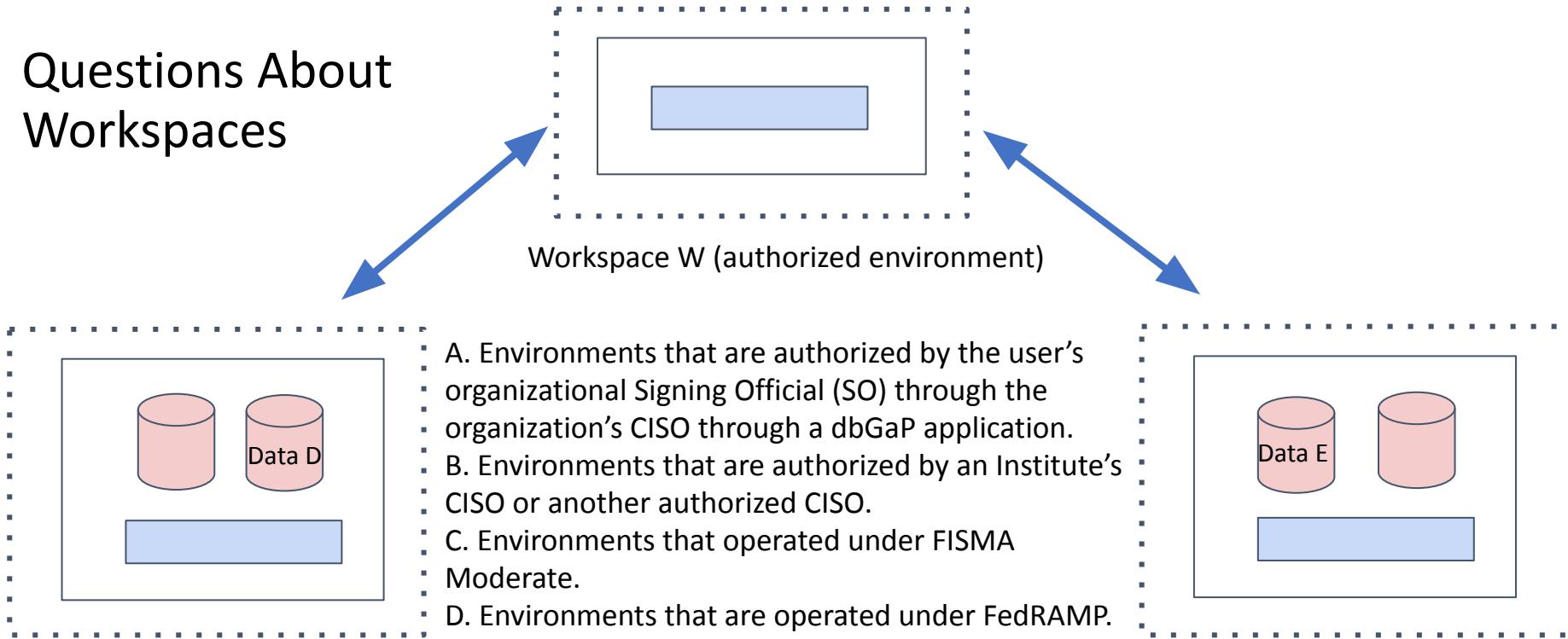
- What categories of data?
  - open, controlled access, sensitive – low, sensitive – medium, sensitive – high
- What are the requirements to authorize a user?
  - InCommon, ORCID, RAS, dbGaP, platform white list
- What are the requirements to authorize an environment?
- What are the requirements to trust another platform?
- Meta-principle: an authorized user can access data in authorized environment (for an appropriate category of data).



For a particular category of data

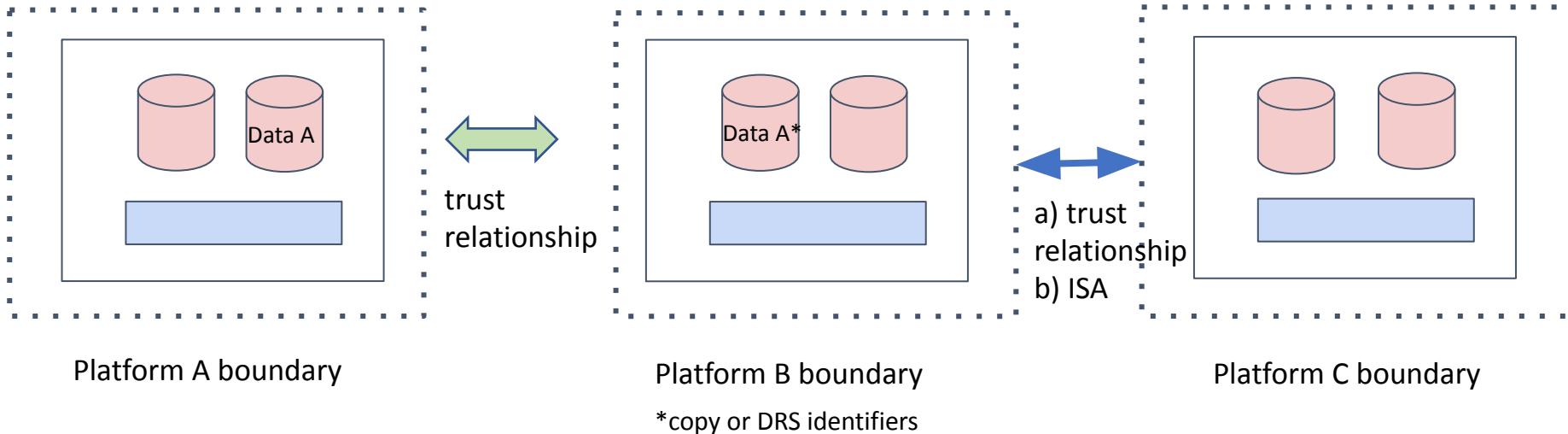
	dbGaP Model	GDC Model	CRDC	BDC	AnVIL	KF
Status	reviewed	reviewed	under review	reviewed	reviewed	reviewed
User Auth	dbGaP	dbGaP	dbGaP	dbGaP & white list	dbGaP, white list, DUOS	dbGaP & white list
Environment Authorization	Signing Official who has the legal authority to attest to the organization's CIO's data security assessment "dbGaP Model"	Signing Official who has the legal authority to attest to the organization's CIO's data security assessment "dbGaP Model"	SBG, Terra & ISB are authorized environments; need to get list of other authorized environments	Institute CISO	Broad CISO approves ISAs for connecting to AnVIL; and, AnVIL uses dbGaP model for data that is downloaded	Research organization's IT Director
Data access (aka "egress") by another cloud platform	Any platforms authorized by researcher's organization (via dbGaP) "dbGaP Model"	Any platforms authorized by researcher's organization (via dbGaP) "dbGaP Model"	to be determined	Data cannot leave BDC Platform.	Restricted to platforms with an ISA with AnVIL	Any platforms authorized by researcher's org. (via dbGaP)
Data Egress - "download"	Any platforms authorized by researcher's organization (via dbGaP) "dbGaP Model"	Any platforms authorized by researcher's organization . (via dbGaP) "dbGaP Model"	Any platforms authorized by researcher's org. (via dbGaP)	Data cannot leave BDC Platform.	dbGaP model for downloaded data	Any platforms authorized by researcher's org. (via dbGaP)
API	archive can be downloaded, but no API to data	All data is available via an API	Data objects available via API; CCDH and CDA will provide access to clinical data	API within BDC for data objects and harmonized data (in the future APIs for multiple data models); PicSURE API for clinical/Phen.	API within AnVIL for data objects and harmonized data (in the future APIs for multiple data models)	All data is available via Gen3/portal APIs. Gen3 for genomic data. FHIR API for clin/phen Q1 2021.
Trust relationships	NA	open to any auth. env.	need to determine	need to determine	need to determine	need to determine

# Questions About Workspaces



Questions: Can an authorized user in Workspace C access Data D from Platform A and data E from Platform B if Workspace W is an authorized environment of Type A? Of Type B? Of Type C? Of Type D?

# Questions About Data Access Between Cloud Platforms



Question: Can an authorized user in platform C access Data A from Platform B?

Question: Can an auth. user in platform C access Data A from Platform B, if Platforms A and C have a trust relationship?

Question: Can an auth. user in platform C access Data A from Platform B, if Platforms B and C have a trust relationship?

Question: Can an authorized user in an authorized workspace in Platform C analyze Data A from Platform B?

Question: Can an authorized user in platform C access Data A from Platform B, if Platforms B and C have a trust relationship and platforms A & C have a trust relationship?



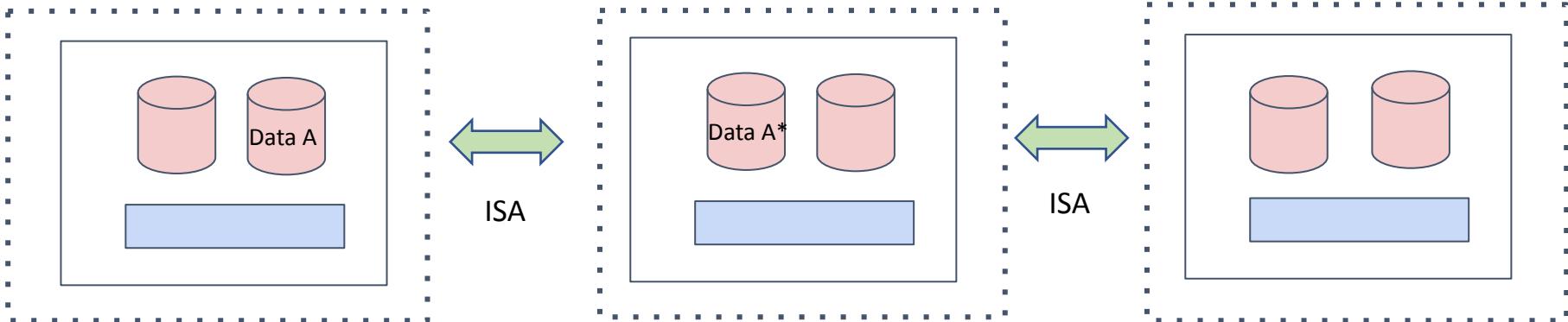
# Road Map

1. Complete the C2PI White Paper, including Table 1
2. Define an API so that cloud platforms can self-attest how they answer the C2PI Questions
3. Work towards approving a policy for the commons in NCPI that an authorized user can access data in authorized environment (for an appropriate category of data).
4. Work towards getting some of the NCPI platforms to trust each other



## **Backup Slides**

# Questions About ISAs



Platform A boundary

Platform B boundary

Platform C boundary

\*copy or DRS identifiers

Question: Can an authorized user in platform C access Data A from Platform B?

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Question: Can an authorized user in an authorized workspace in Platform C analyze Data A from Platform B?

# Working Group Updates:

## Systems Interoperation

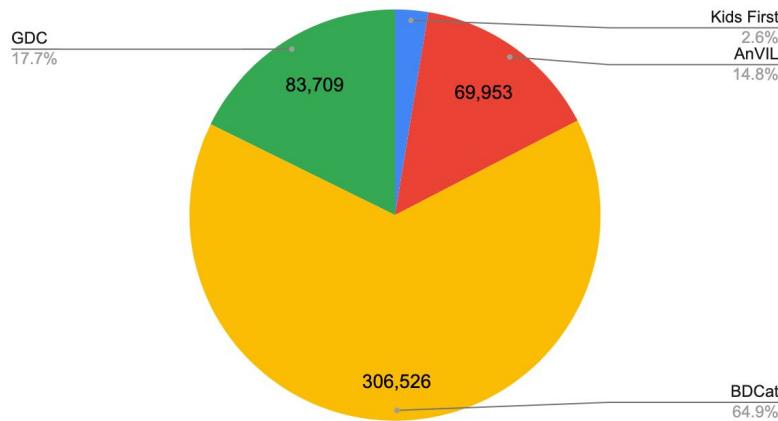
**Brian O'Connor** Broad  
**& Jack DiGiovanna** Seven Bridges



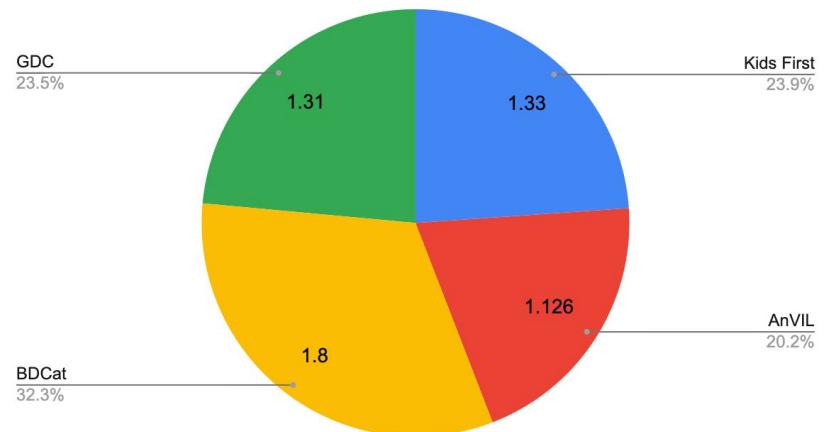
# Systems Interoperation WG - Motivation

*Researchers want to access data across ICs/stacks.*

Participants



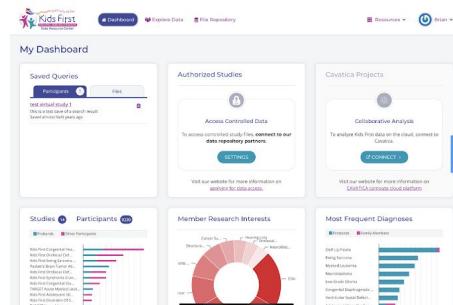
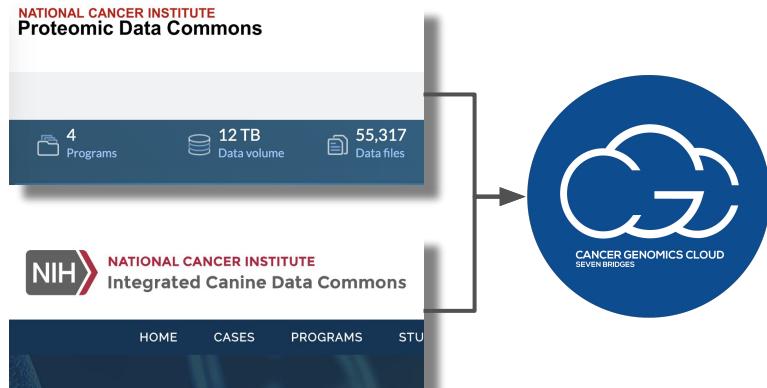
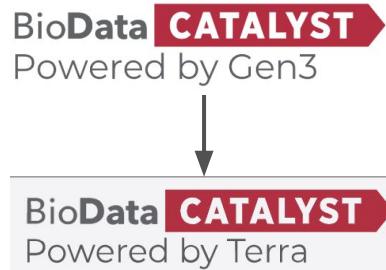
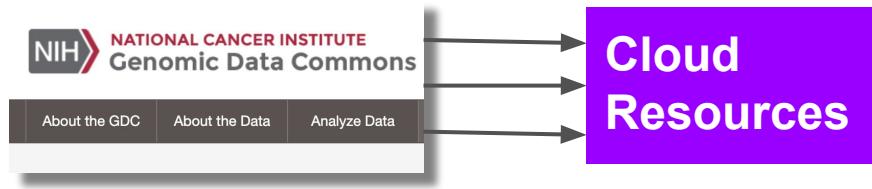
Data Size (PB)



Aggregation of data across these IC stacks is huge ~6PB

# Systems Interoperation WG - Motivation

Data portals connect (***intra-IC***) with analysis systems (workspaces)





# Systems Interoperation WG - Mission



The group's [Charter](#) establishes the group's mission, members/teams, high-level scientific and technical goals, and timeline.

The group will spearhead **technical improvements** to cloud "stacks" created by the Common Fund, NCI, NHGRI, and NHLBI that enable improved interoperability. We will **demonstrate progress** in **realistic researcher use cases** every **6 months**.

*Please [join](#) if you are interested.*



## Systems Interoperation WG - Use Cases

Immediately looked for scientific “driver projects”

Our WG quickly identified 8 interesting researcher use cases that required interoperability both within and between ICs:

- CRDC + AnVIL (n=2);
- BioData Catalyst + Kids First (n=3)
- AnVIL + Kids First (n=1)
- BioData Catalyst + Kids First + AnVIL (n=2)



# Systems Interoperation WG - Tech Challenges

Standardized Handoff Mechanism ✓

Standardized Data Access Methods ✓

Avoiding Egress and Data Locality Costs ✓-ish

Unified Authentication/Authorization - *more progress than expected*

Common Metadata Model Between Systems - *progress on "light" solution*

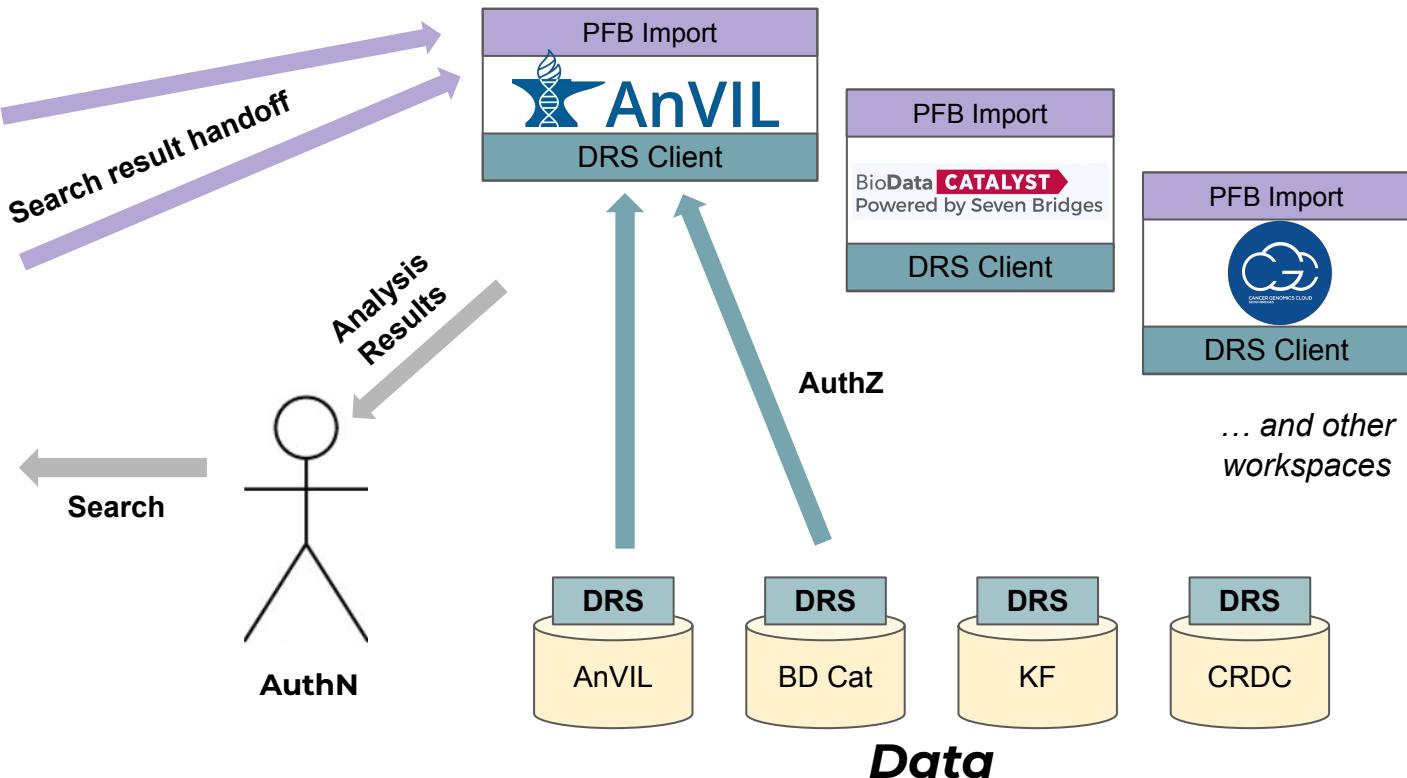
Coordinated Project Work Plans and Technical Timelines ✓-ish

# Systems Interoperation WG - Technical 1st Year Vision

## Portals

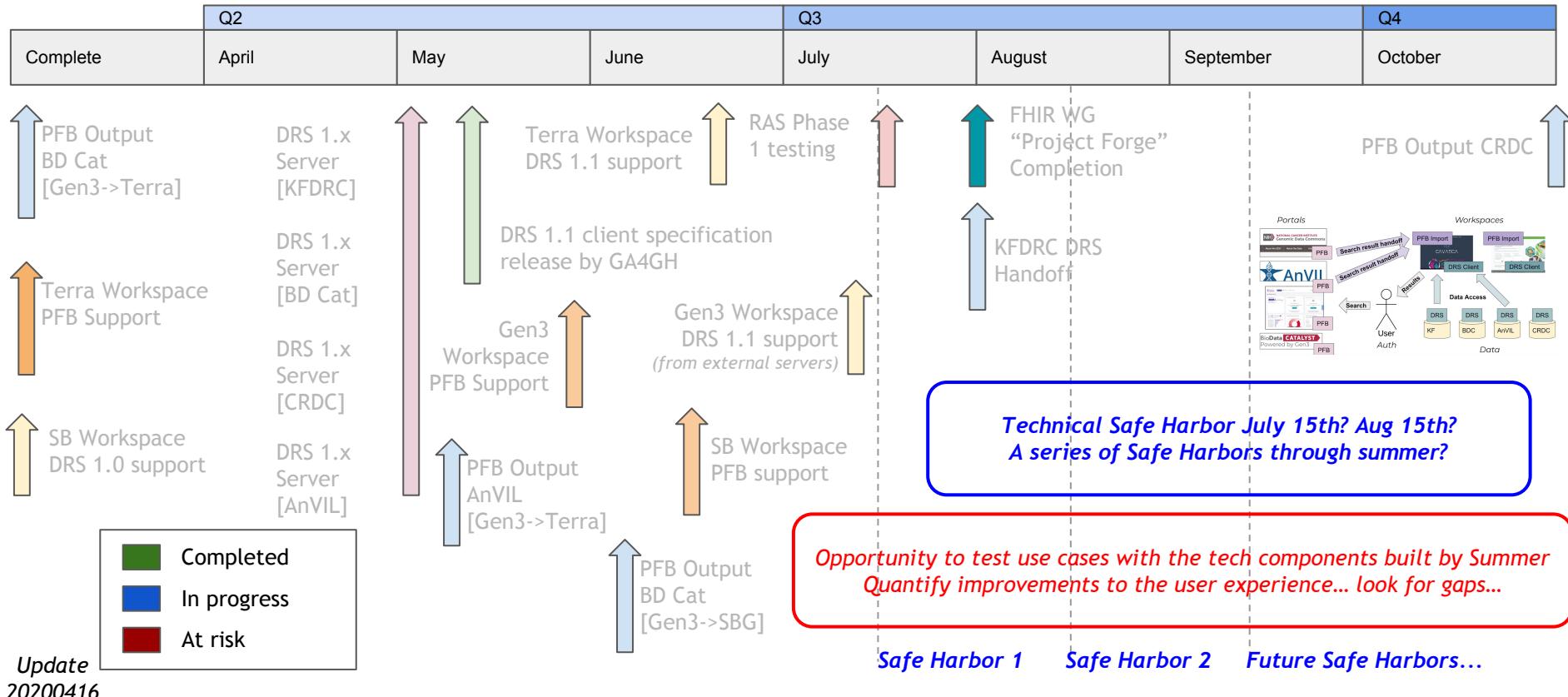


## Workspaces



# Systems Interoperation Timeline - April 2020

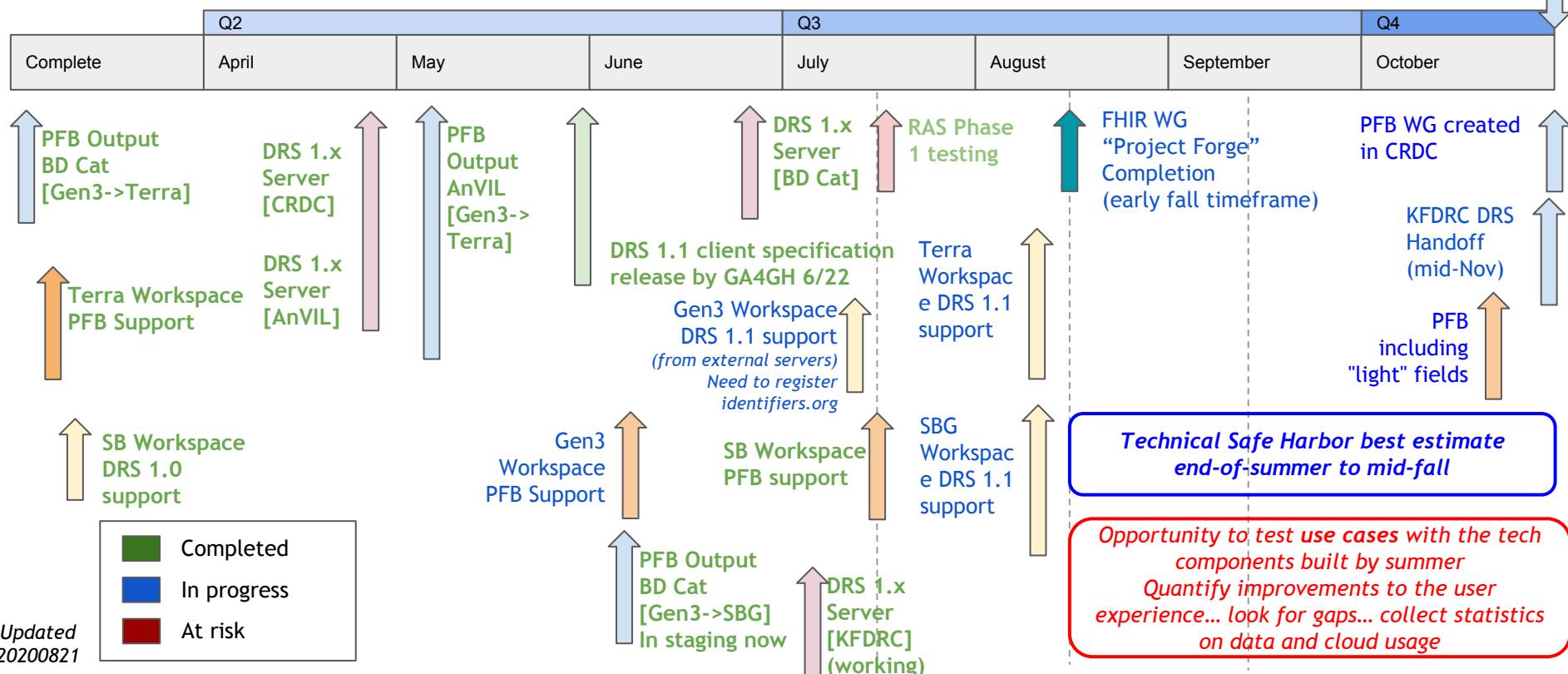
Given the technical gaps, what might a timeline be for filling these?



# Systems Interoperation Timeline - Q3 2020

*There has been a green wave!*

NCPI meeting



# Systems Interoperation WG - 2020 Accomplishments

Collectively, we have achieved improved interoperability in 2020 across multiple systems through **PFB**, **GA4GH DRS**, and **GA4GH Passports**.

## 2020 Results

- **Search Result Handoff:** PFB

2 portals  
~417K subjects accessible



- **Data Access:** DRS 1.1

4 DRS Servers  
~6PB of data



- **Auth:** RAS for AuthN

RAS



## Supported Platforms

- The **NHGRI AnVIL** and **NHGRI BioData Catalyst** portals both support handoff of search results to **workspaces** (Terra, Gen3, SBG)

- We have data accessible on **AnVIL**, **BDCat**, **CRDC**, and **Kids First** via **DRS 1.1** support

- **GA4GH Passports** are in use by **RAS** and support visas from dbGaP made accessible by Gen3.



# **NCPI Systems Interoperability Demo**

NCPI 2020 Fall Workshop  
2020-10-30  
Jack DiGiovanna (SB)  
& Brian O'Connor (Broad)

# Systems Interoperation & Global Efforts

GA4GH also recently demonstrated systems using API standards to interoperate

Because NCPI Systems Interoperation uses many GA4GH APIs, we were able to participate in a global interop demo!



Biomedical Platform UI



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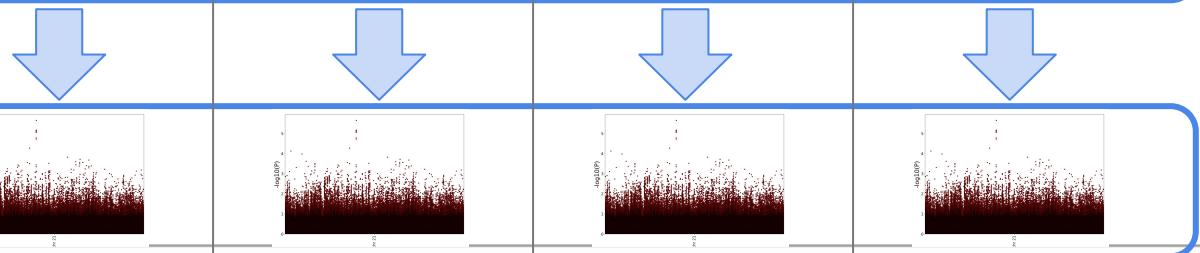
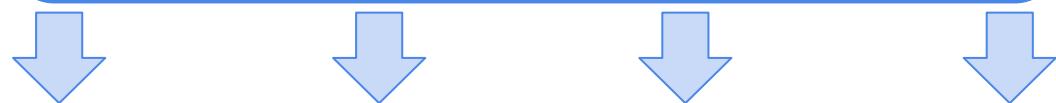
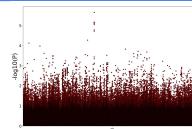
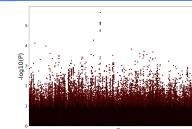
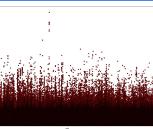
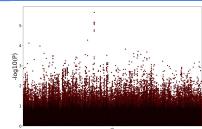
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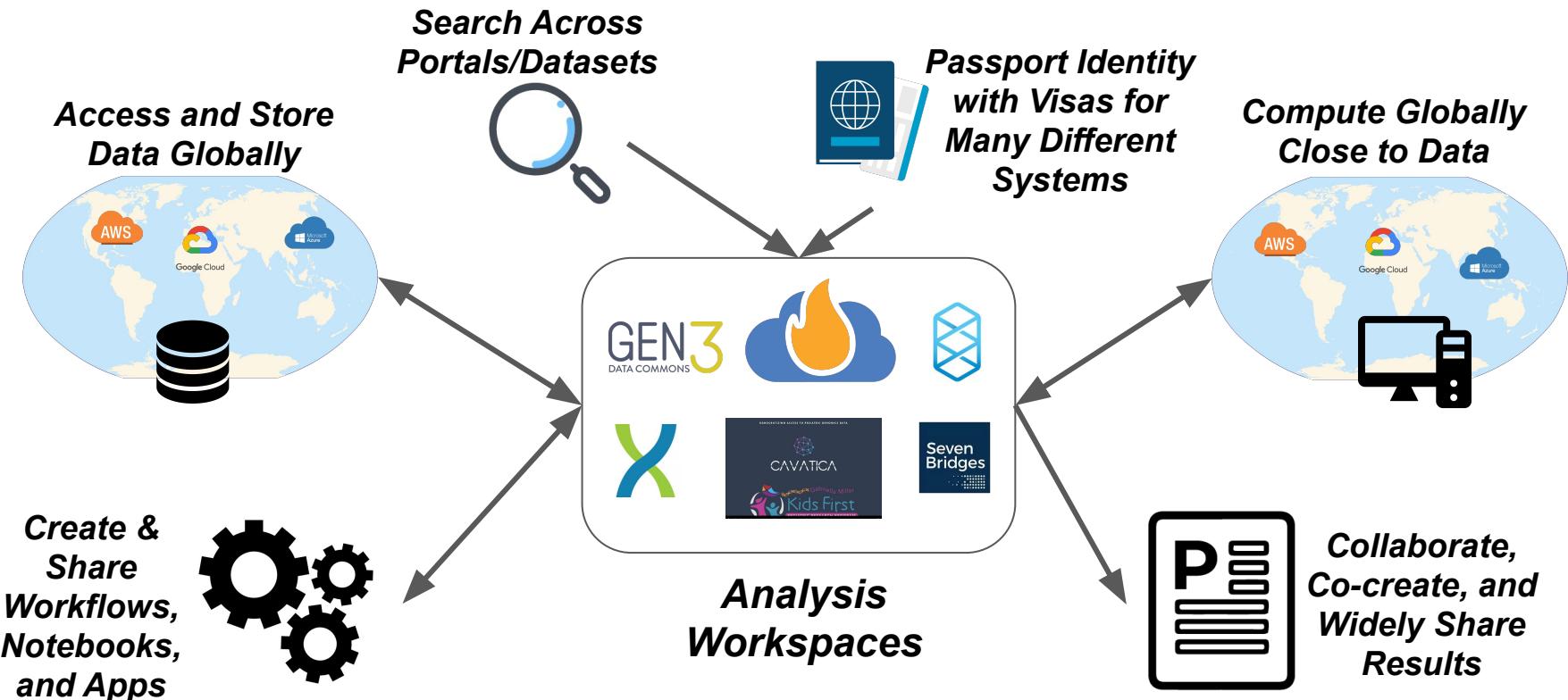
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Analysis Results



# Systems Interoperation Long Term Vision



# Systems Interoperation WG - Second Year Goals

## Technical Challenges (next 6 months+):

- **Production\***: How do we transition our work to more production systems?
- **Auth\***: How to leverage RAS & passports for authorization going forward?
- **Search/Discovery\***: How to find data across portals e.g. FHIR, CDA, etc?
- **Common Metadata Models\***: How portals and resources can structure metadata consistently?
- **Workflows, Data Locality and Egress\***: How to compute in place automatically, across clouds, avoiding egress?
- **And more... roadmapping later today**

## Policy Challenges (next 6 months+):

- **Policy**: Complex, heterogeneous, & evolving landscape, remains a blocker
- **Adoption**: Engagement and outreach to drive adoption of these standards and drive new scientific analyses.
- **Tool Availability/Portability**: Leveraging different workspaces for different parts of analysis, finding the equivalent tool for your workflow language
- **Reproducibility / Knowledge Life cycle**: Strategies for expiring docker images, target support timeframe for a tool

\* key potential areas for future collaboration

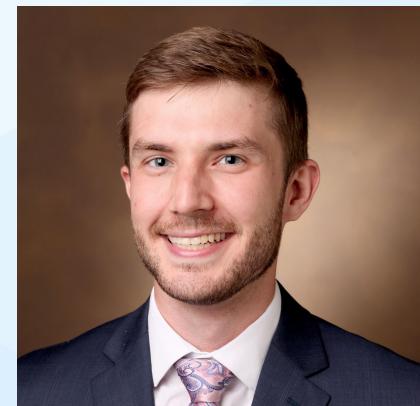
# Working Group Updates: FHIR

**Allison Heath, PhD**

Director of Technology @ D3b, CHOP

**Robert Carroll, PhD**

Assistant Professor, VUMC





# Overview

- First Seven Months of the WG
  - Project Forge
  - Development Infrastructure
- Demo
  - Data Dashboard
  - Exploration and filtering of data
  - Linkage to Monarch APIs
- Roadmap
  - Expansion of data covered
  - Tool support for data
  - Deploy limited production implementation



# Seven Months Ago...

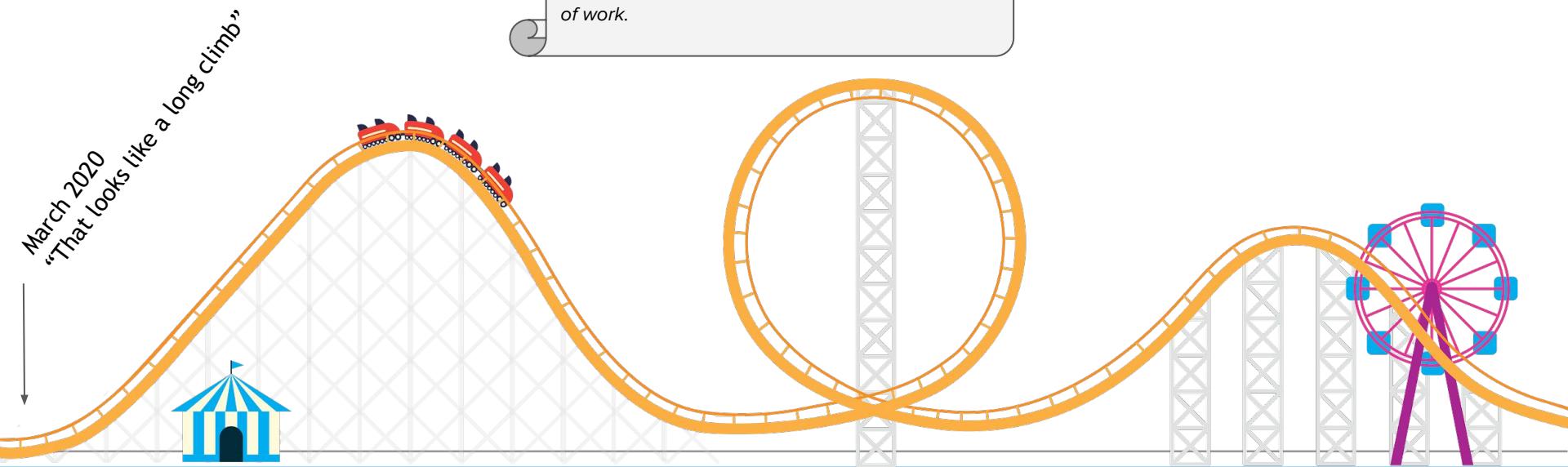


## 2020-03-16: Initial Kickoff Meeting

### Minutes (Not Verbatim)

AH- Leverage FHIR to enable interoperability across stacks.

RC- Goal is to break silos down between different resources. It's a new idea to use FHIR for this type of work.



# Getting Started

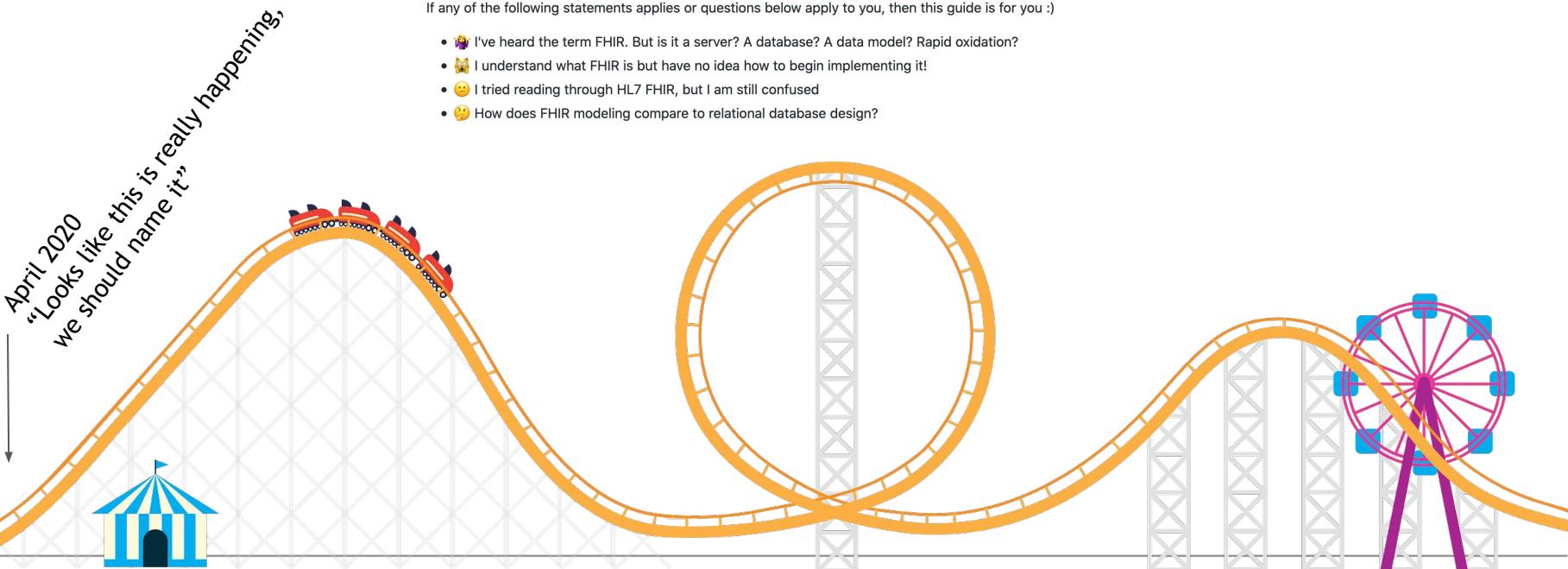
2020-04-03: Collaborative Kickoff Project ("[Project Forge](#)")

## 🔥 FHIR 101 - A Practical Guide

Hello there!

If any of the following statements applies or questions below apply to you, then this guide is for you :)

- 🤔 I've heard the term FHIR. But is it a server? A database? A data model? Rapid oxidation?
- 🤔 I understand what FHIR is but have no idea how to begin implementing it!
- 😞 I tried reading through HL7 FHIR, but I am still confused
- 😞 How does FHIR modeling compare to relational database design?



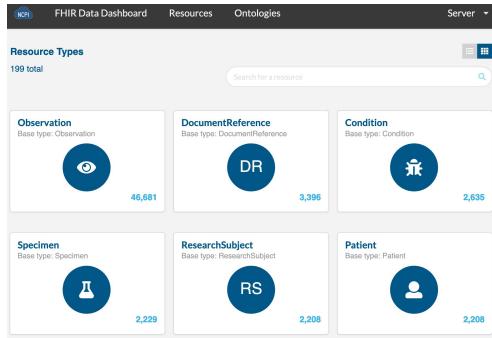
# What is FHIR? Initial data: PCGC and CMG



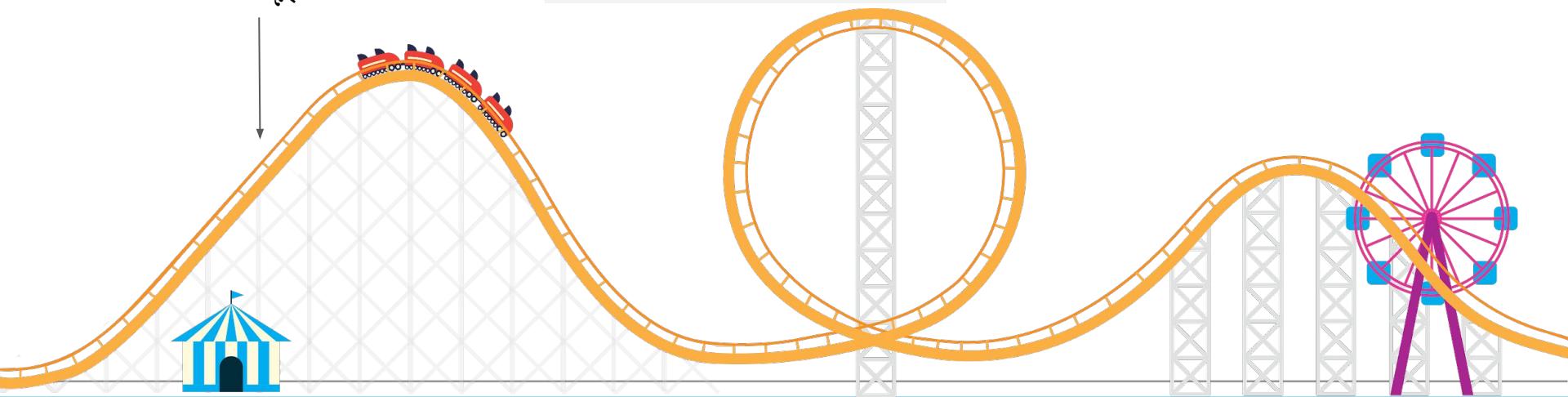
# Setup Development Infrastructure



2020-07-14: ncpi-api-fhir-service-dev.kidsfirstdrc.org



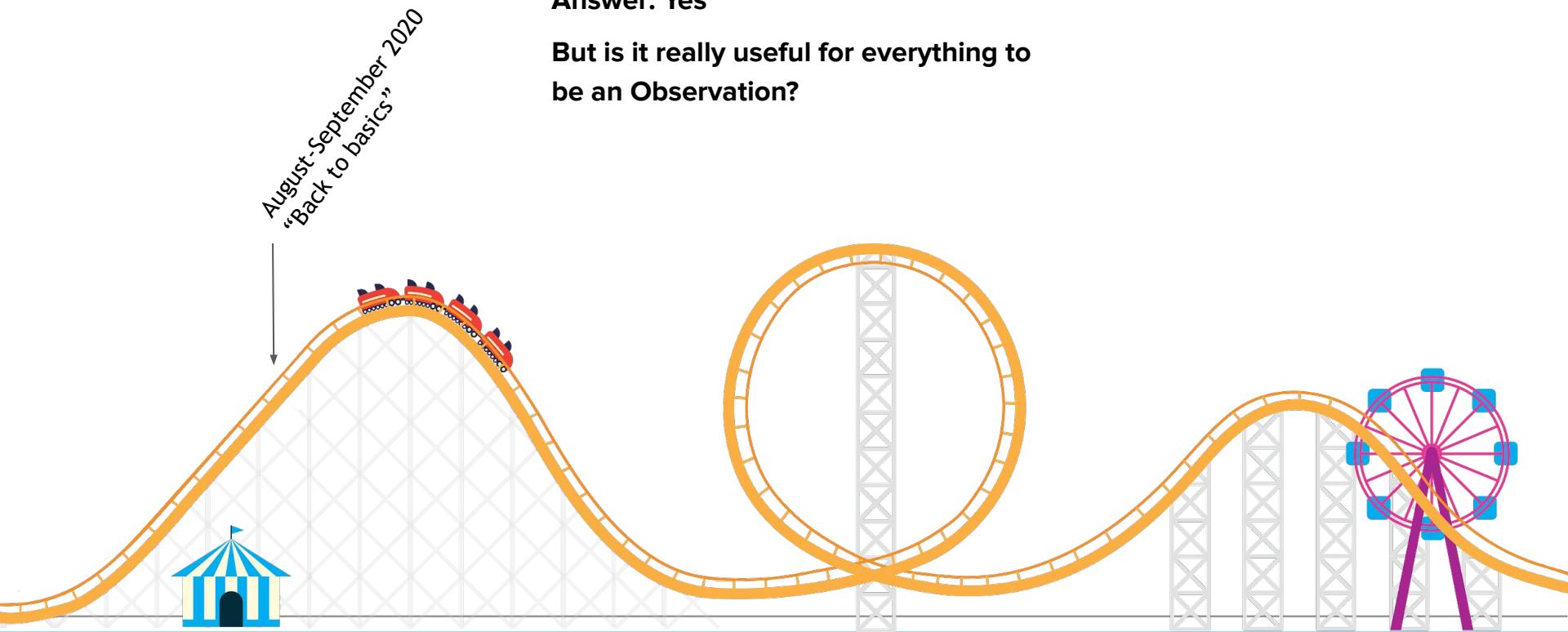
July 2020  
“I think I see the top”



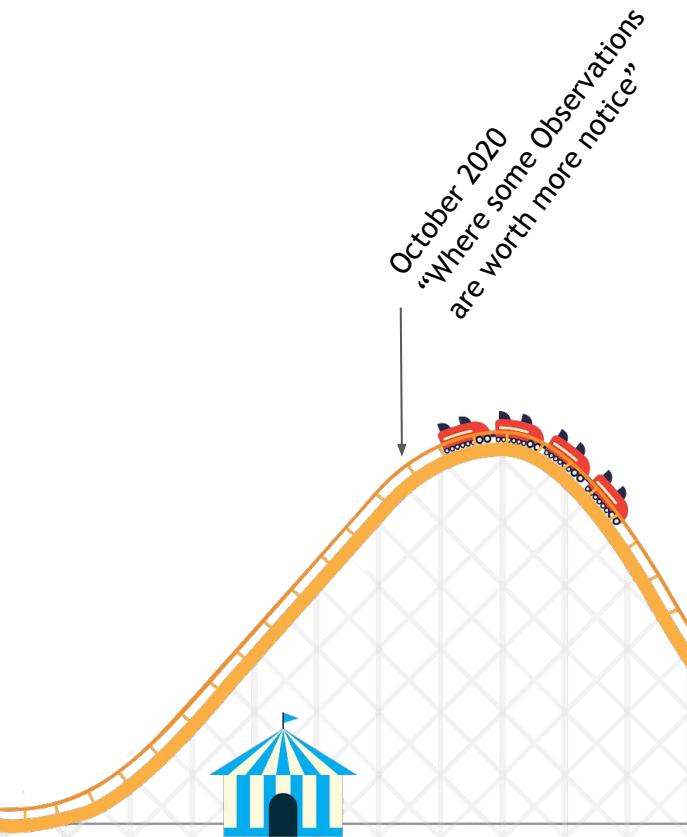
# Can PCGC and CMG data be loaded in base FHIR?

Answer: Yes

But is it really useful for everything to  
be an Observation?



# Initial Set of Profiles



- ⌚ Referencing DRS Objects Model: New request 1 person · 4 comments

#46 by allisonheath was closed yesterday
- ⌚ Update obsolete info in Contributing section on README bug 1 person · 1 comment

#44 by znatty22 was closed 5 days ago
- ⌚ Profile Disease Model: New request 1 person · 8 comments

#36 by torstees was closed 3 days ago
- ⌚ Profile Human Phenotype AnVIL Kids First DRC Model: Ready for development 1 person · 2 comments

#34 by torstees was closed 6 days ago
- ⌚ Profile Family Relationship Model: New request 1 person · 1 comment

#33 by torstees was closed 20 days ago
- ⌚ Profile Specimen to include 'DocumentReference' Model: New request 1 person · 2 comments

#31 by bwalsh was closed 16 days ago
- ⌚ Profile ResearchSubject to include DocumentReferences Model: New request 1 person · 2 comments

#30 by bwalsh was closed 16 days ago
- ⌚ NCPI Family Relationship AnVIL Kids First DRC Model: Ready for development 1 person · 11 comments

#21 by torstees was closed 8 days ago



# Demos!

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- [“Project Forge” Implementation Guide](#)
- [React App](#) for browsing FHIR data
- Dash App for phenotype distribution exploration
- Shiny App for Monarch API gene search

# No Really - What *is* FHIR?

FHIR is a *framework* for clinical data interoperability.

We use frameworks all the time when building platforms.  
Why?



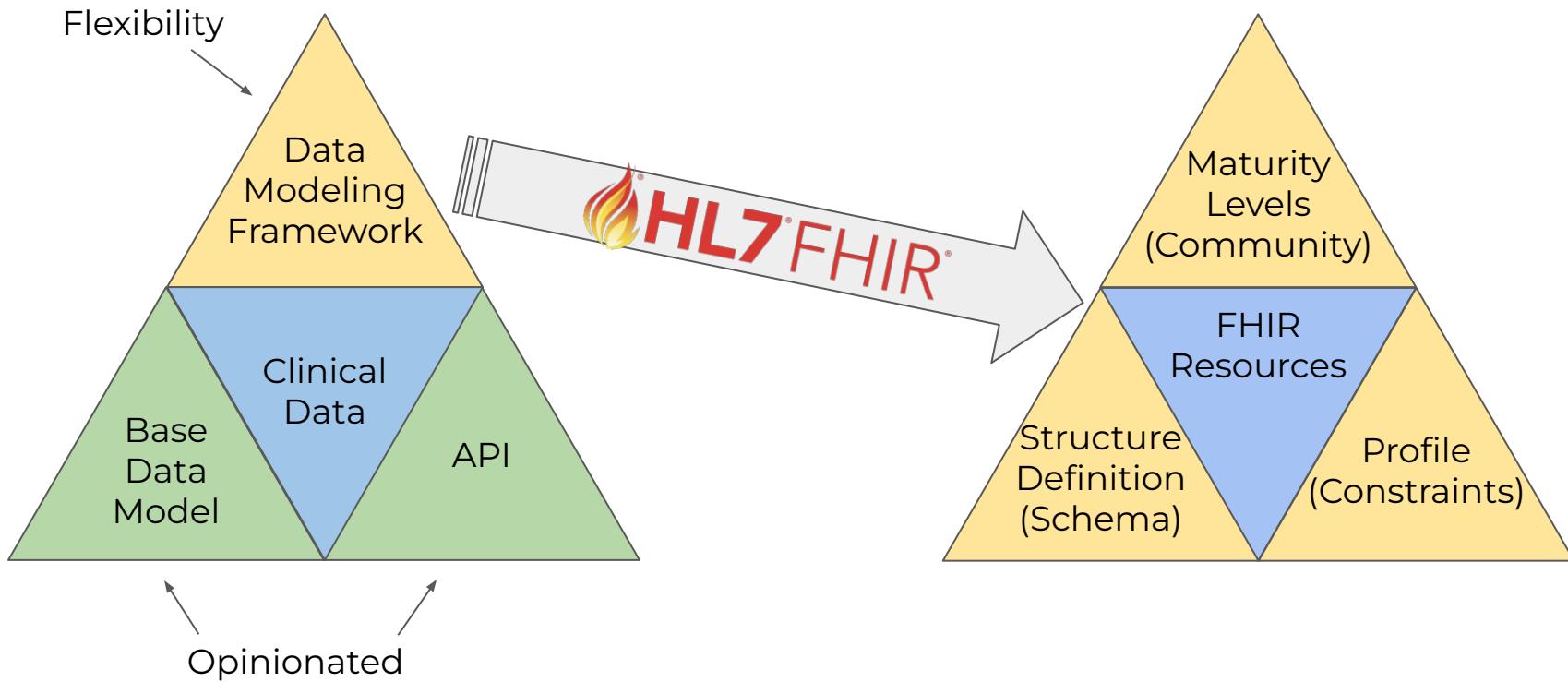
**Gatsby**



**kubernetes**

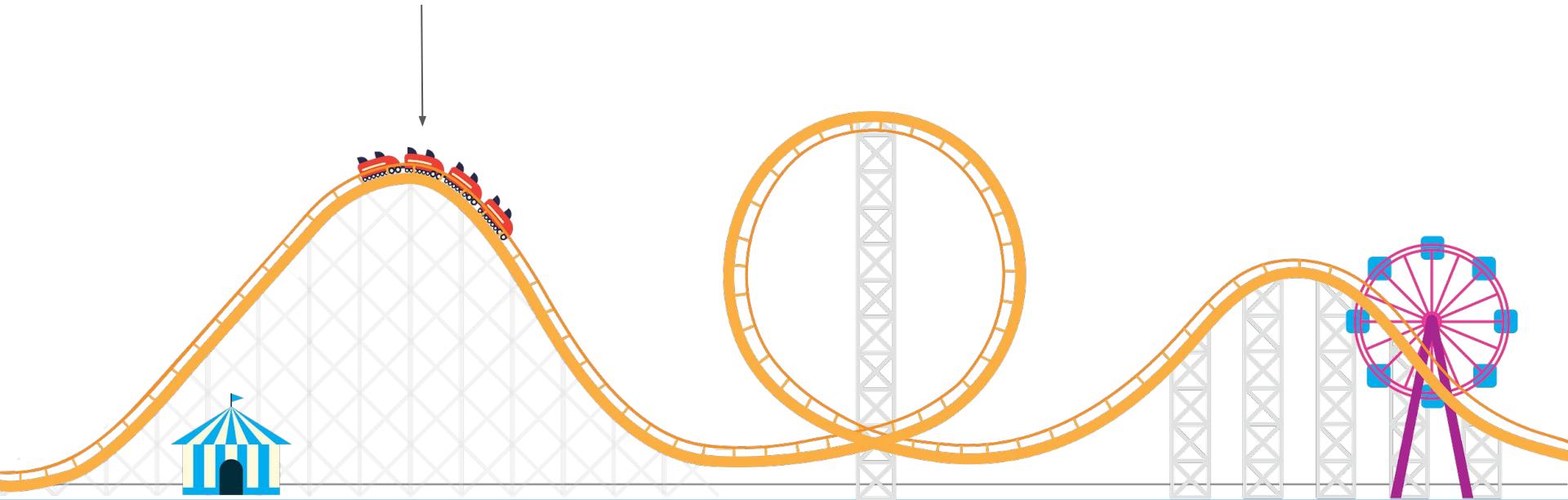
Good frameworks are opinionated where it matters to prevent effort in (re)solving recurring problems, but flexible where needed for creating solutions for new problems.

# FHIR: Framework Within a Framework



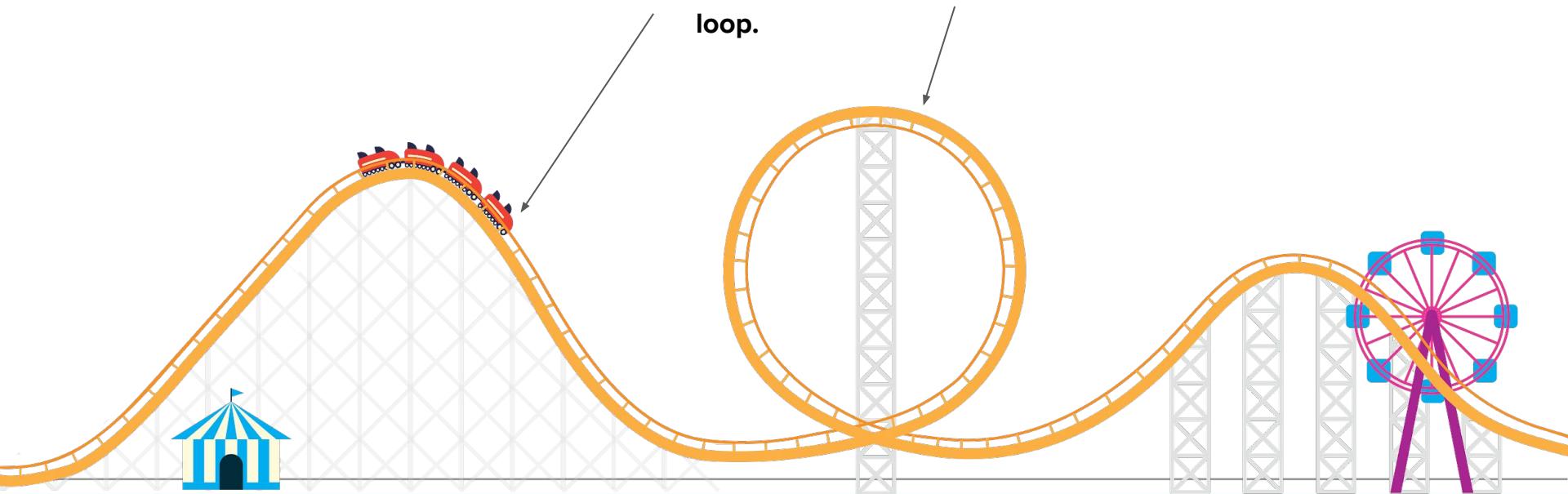
# Demos Leveraged FHIR for Rapid App Development

In retrospect - the climb was understanding the FHIR framework, it's opinions, advantages, disadvantages of using it across NCPI



# Demos Leveraged FHIR for Rapid App Development

The prospective is picking up momentum in building tools/libraries/apps “on FHIR” to better empower clinical data, while remaining aware there are sure to be things that throw us for a loop.





# Roadmap: Data, Tools and Engagement

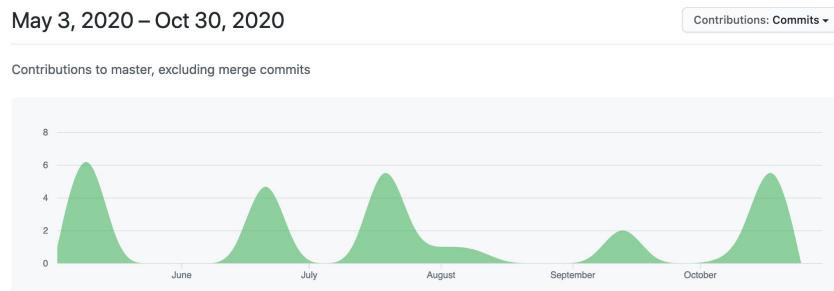
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- Document current best practices and move from Project Forge Model to NCPI FHIR Model
  - Cancer research
  - Clinical genomics
  - <Your use case here>
- Identify key unmet needs and use cases for new tools that leverage FHIR as a framework for clinical data
  - Intake
  - Management
  - Availability
  - Interoperability
- Making these data, APIs and tools available to empower researchers is a key objective
- Community Engagement

# Thank You!

**Attendees of the FHIR WG Calls  
across all of the platforms and  
dbGaP!**

May 3, 2020 – Oct 30, 2020



**Special thanks for the demos today:**

## AnVIL

- Brian Walsh
- Kristin Wuichet
- Eric Torstenson
- Katie Banasiewicz

## Kids First DRC

- Meen Chul Kim
- Nick Van Kuren
- Shahim Essaid
- Natasha Singh
- Avi Kelman
- Alex Lubneuski

# Working Group Updates: Outreach and Training

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PD, galaxyproject.org



## **Ashok Krishnamurthy**

RENCI  
UNC, Chapel Hill





# **Outreach and Training WG**

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## Goals of the working group

- Enable “cross-pollination” between the four NCPI projects by organizing regular NCPI Workshops
- Development and maintenance of the NCPI Portal
- Providing a catalogue of datasets available through each platform via NCPI Global Data Dashboard
- Providing a starting location for accessing training and outreach materials being developed and maintained by each platform as well as commonly used resources such as FHIR

# Generic FHIR tutorial

## (based on Kids First DRC example; [http://bit.ly/fhir\\_nb](http://bit.ly/fhir_nb))

The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with the following details:

- Title Bar:** FHIR\_tutorial.ipynb
- Table of Contents:** Shows sections like FHIR Query Tutorial, What is FHIR?, FHIR is NOT ..., Concepts, Define the data model (with sub-sections: Conformance Resources, Terminology Resources, Model Documentation, Implementation Guide), Tutorial (with sub-sections: Requirements, Use Case 1: Query Patient informations, Use where() method, Query the FHIR server by URL, Composite search, Interactions, Get Server metadata, Query the history of a resource instance with the operation ".history"), and Use Case 2: Query Research studies in a FHIR Instance (with sub-sections: Search parameters, Other Parameters, Modifiers, DBgap server).
- Code Cells:**
  - Cell 2:** # Be sure to execute this cell so that we can use the client later

```
[2] # Be sure to execute this cell so that we can use the client later
import fhirclient
from pprint import pprint
from fhirclient import client
from client import FHIRClient # FHIR client for python https://docs.smarthealthit.org/client-py/classfhirclient\_1\_lclient\_1
import urllib.request
import json
import fhirclient.models.patient as p # import the patient datatype as p
import requests # Allows us to make GET/POST requests

settings = {
    'app_id': 'my_web_app',
    'api_base': 'http://test.fhir.org/r4'
}
smart = client.FHIRClient(settings=settings)

settingsdbgap = {
    'app_id': 'my_app',
    'api_base': 'https://dbgap-api.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/fhir/x1'
}
dbgap = client.FHIRClient(settings=settingsdbgap)
```
  - Cell 3:** smart.server.request\_json('Patient')

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[3] smart.server.request_json('Patient')
        ...
        'postalCode': '3999',
        'state': 'Vic',
        'text': '534 Erewhon St PeasantVille, Rainbow, Vic 3999',
        'type': 'both',
        'use': 'home'},
        'use': 'home'],
        'birthDate': '1974-12-25',
        'contact': [{('address': {'city': 'PleasantVille',
        'district': 'Rainbow',
        'line': ['534 Erewhon St'],
        'period': {'start': '1974-12-25'})}],
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- Toolbar:** Share, RAM, Disk, Editing.

# NCPI Global Data Dashboard

## (a bird's eye view of all data)



Overview Datasets AnVIL

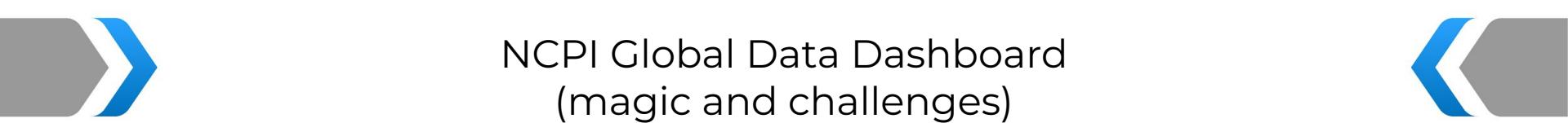
### Search Summary

Platform	Studies	Subjects
AnVIL	21	59,325
BioData Catalyst	95	421,497
Kids First Data Resource Center	4	3,523
Cancer Research Data Commons	16	86,749
	136	571,094

### Search Results

Platform	dbGap Id	Title	Diseases	Data Types	Consent Codes	Subjects
AnVIL	phs001272.v1.p1	Broad Institute Center for Mendelian Genomics	Genetic Diseases, Inborn; Bardet-Biedl Syndrome...	Genotype, SNP/CNV Genotypes (NGS)	HMB-MDS, GRU, DS-KRD-RD, DS-NIC-EMP-LENF	1,031
AnVIL	phs001913.v1.p1	CCDG - Cardiovascular: eMERGE - Northwestern Cohort	Cardiovascular Diseases	--	GRU-IRB	277
AnVIL	phs001502.v1.p1	CCDG-Cardiovascular: University of Pennsylvania Cohort	Cardiovascular Diseases	Genotype, Legacy Genotypes, SNP Genotypes (NGS)	HMB-IRB-PUB	1,373
AnVIL	phs001259.v1.p1	CCDG CVD: VIRGO - Variation in Recover-Role of Gender on Outcomes of Young Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) Patients	Myocardial Infarction; Inferior Wall Myocardial...	Genotype, SNP Genotypes (NGS)	DS-CARD-MDS-GSO	2,149
AnVIL	phs001894.v1.p1	CCDG-Neuropsychiatric: Autism- Genetics of Human Developmental Brain Disorders	Autism Spectrum Disorder	--	DS-EAC-PUB-GSO	724
AnVIL	phs001676.v1.p1	CCDG- Neuropsychiatric: Autism - Simons Simplex Collection (SSC)	Autism Spectrum Disorder	--	DS-AONDD-IRB	9,201
AnVIL	phs001740.v1.p1	CCDG- Neuropsychiatric: Autism- Study of Autism Genetics Exploration (SAGE)	Autism Spectrum Disorder	Genotype, SNP/CNV Genotypes (NGS)	DS-ASD-RD-IRB	580
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David Rogers / Kevin Osborne | special thanks to Garrett Rupp (UChicago) and Michael Feolo (NCBI/dbGaP)



# NCPI Global Data Dashboard (magic and challenges)

- dbGaP (only) entries from all platforms
- Derived from a static spreadsheet at this time
- Uses dbGaP FTP/XML interface and dbGaP FHIR API for additional info
- dbGaP FHIR team is modifying APIs and is pleasure to work with
- Planning to use GA4GH Discovery API in the future



# A Unified tutorial dashboard (a landing page for all NCPI tutorials)

## Core

These are the core, foundational topics for learning how to use Galaxy.

Lesson	Slides	Hands-on	Input dataset	Workflows	Galaxy tour	Galaxy instances
Introduction to Galaxy						
A short introduction to Galaxy						
From peaks to genes						
Galaxy 101						
Galaxy 101 for everyone						
Introduction to Genomics and Galaxy						
NGS data logistics						
Options for using Galaxy						



# A Unified tutorial dashboard (a landing page for all NCPI tutorials)

Tutorial	AnVIL	CRDC	KF	BDC
Calling variants	✓		✓	
Cleaning variant calls	✓		✓	
Interpreting variants	✓	✓	✓	✓

A mockup of the training dashboard (will be housed at the NCPI portal)

# Quick Break

We will resume at 3:10 pm ET.

# Group Discussion

## Drafting a Road Map

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# Other Template Slides

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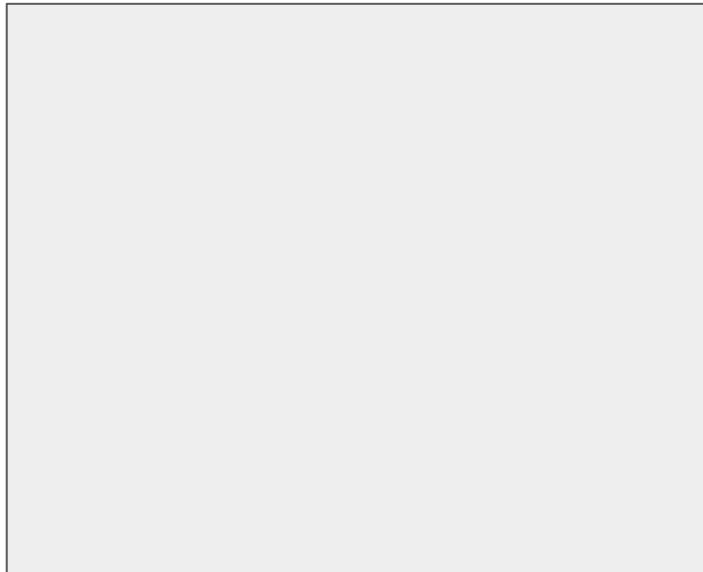
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