

Introduction

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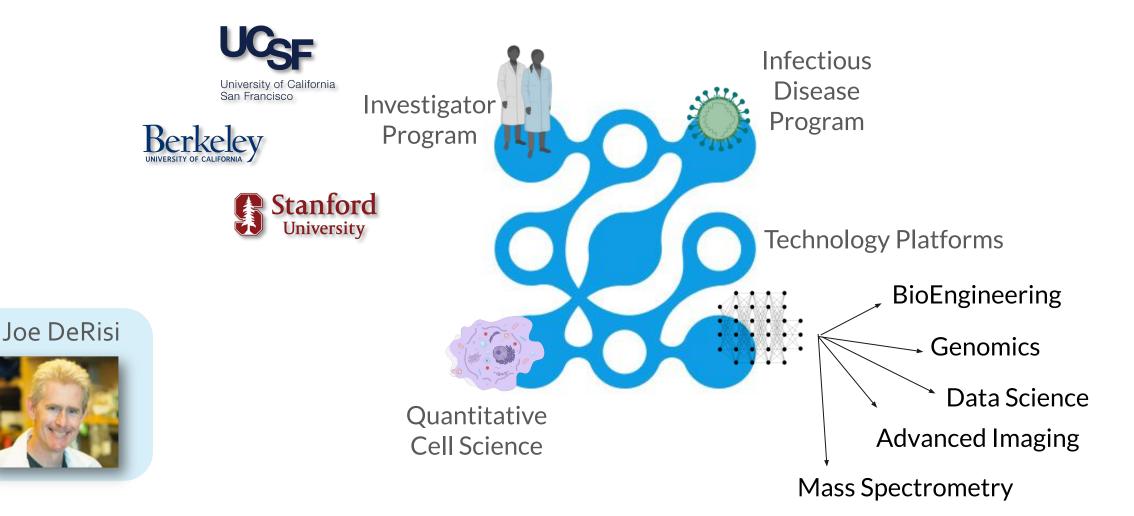
Introduction to CZ Biohub and the Rapid Response Team

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Vision: To understand underlying mechanisms of disease and develop new technologies which will lead to actionable diagnostics and effective therapies.



Rapid Response

Mission: To cultivate global equity in basic and translational research for improved surveillance and response to (re)emerging infectious diseases.

Vision: Enable a *truly* global pathogen surveillance network →by building locally.

Infectious causes of disease

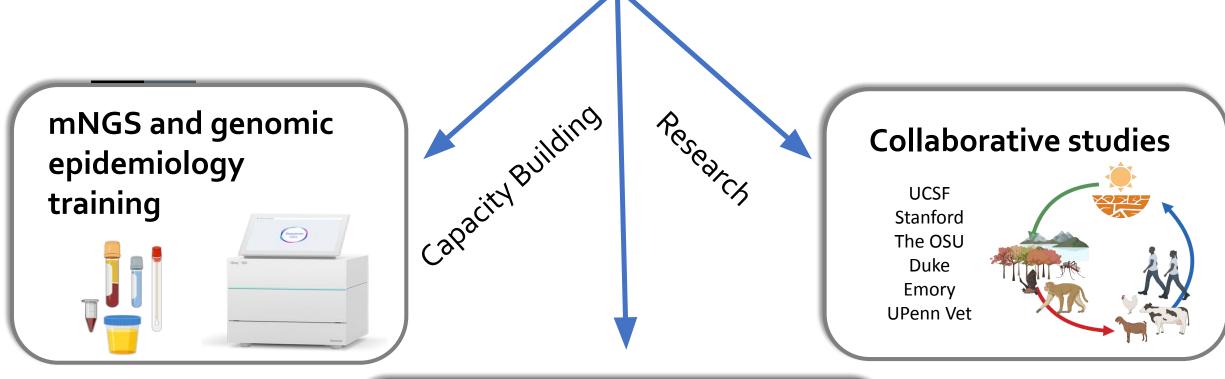


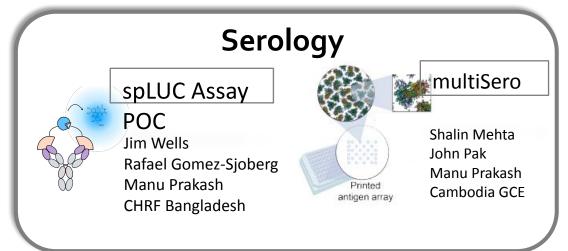
Why?

Researchers everywhere should be able to respond faster to their infectious disease priorities and make rapid, informed decisions-

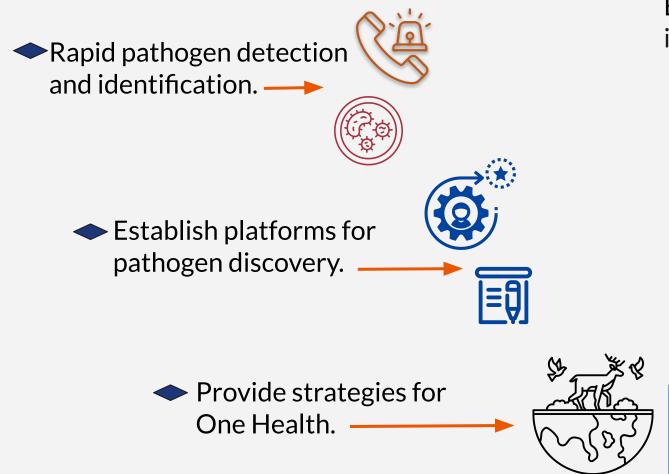
 \rightarrow especially within geographies where the burden of infectious disease is highest.

Rapid Response



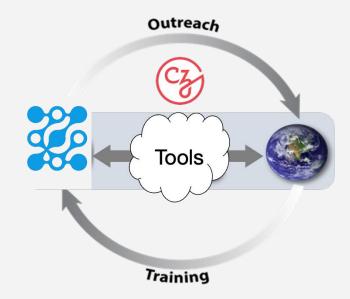


Rapid Response Approach



Capacity Building:

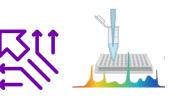
Bottoms-up approach supporting local labs as the initial nodes of the network



Leveraging *open source* tools and technology to establish foundational local expertise that can serve to strengthen the global network overall.

CZ Biohub and CZI Science Collaboration

CZ Biohub Rapid Response







Metagenomics empowers surveillance and unbiased pathogen detection.



Comprehensive analysis of all genetic material in a sample

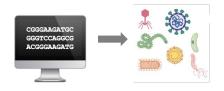
CZI Science Infectious Disease



- No code
- Open source Cloud-based



Lowers the barrier to analysis of large, complex datasets.



- Real time data generation,
- Informed decision making,
- Actionable impact

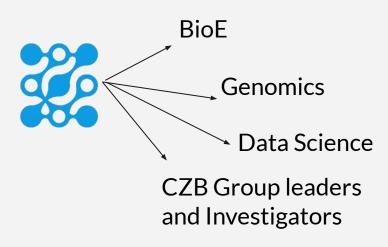
Partnering to create a comprehensive training program in mNGS



On-call mentorship

Applied research, protocol and tool development.

Network development



Capacity building at the local community level

Basic Research





Clinical Research





Public Health Practice







Low-middle income countries and underserved areas

- Universities
- Research foundations & clinics
- Public health laboratories
- Global health organizations (Pasteur, NIH, CDC, etc)

Current collaborating sites







Africa CDC

Goals that support sustainability for disease surveillance in LMICs.

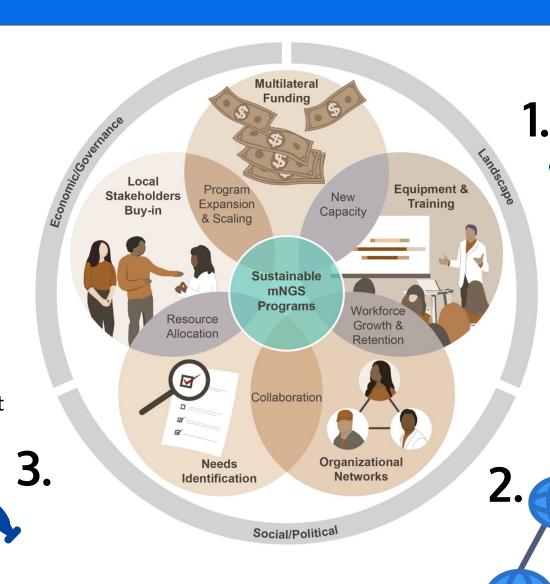
Key collaborators.

- WHO Partners
 Coordination Group
- WHO Hub
- Africa CDC
- Regional Pathogen
 Genomics Initiatives

Shared development of tools and assays

 Increased access to relevant technology

Decentralized research



Expansion of workforce development

- Train-the-trainers
- Regional workshop support

Diverse one health network

- Supports interdisciplinary research.
- Increased public/private interaction.
 - Coordinated outbreak response.



Meet the Team



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Thank you for your time