



Whole genome sequencing for neonates in trouble

Rapid whole genome sequencing in severely ill neonates and young children.

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Introduction

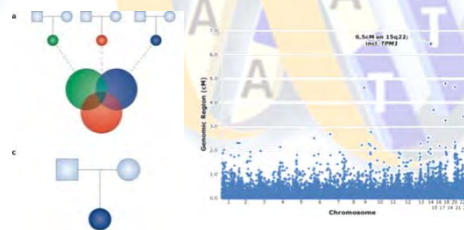


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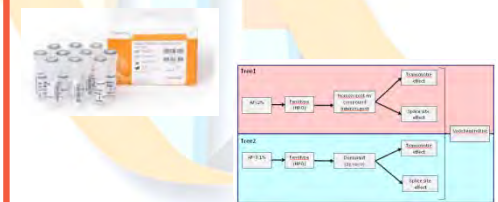
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Exome Sequencing



Whole Genome Sequencing





Introduction; why WGS?



GOAL: Rapid genetic diagnostics in severely ill neonates at the NICU and IC

Why?

- Routine molecular testing time consuming
- Rapid (cyto)genetic testing is limited
- Results (often) too late to aid decision making

Relevance:

- Early diagnosis can prevent/limit unnecessary (invasive) diagnostics
- Facilitates complementary diagnostics/treatment
- Early diagnosis is important for the parents





Introduction; who?



Included: new-borns and severely ill young children in ICU with suspected genetic disease

- Unexplained and severe neurological manifestations; intractable seizures, severe neonatal onset movement disorder
- Suspected metabolic disorder
- Unexplained syndromal manifestations with multiple congenital anomalies
- Acute liver failure
- Other acute disease status

Prerequisites

- No clear acquired cause/explanation (high a-priori risk for monogenetic disorder)
- Blood/DNA is available from both parents



Routine diagnostics



Standard procedures:

- Array-CGH
- Consultants related to clinical genetics, child neurology/cardiology, metabolic diseases, etc.
- MRI, EEG, echocardiogram, etc.
- Biochemical testing
- (when appropriate) targeted gene panel tests





Introduction



Pilot project UMCG Pediatrics and Genetics

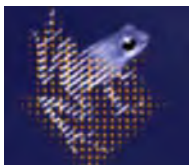
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- 50 hour genetic diagnosis applying “Rapid WGS”
- 2 children retrospectively studied and (known) mutation identified
- 5 children (incl. 2 sibs) prospectively studied:
3/4 (probably) solved
- WGS parents and/or sibs; diagnosis acquired easier and quicker

Obtain consent and blood sample

t0

Prepare sequencing library
Enter clinical findings into SSAGA

t5

HiSeq 2500 2 x 100 bp sequencing

t30

CASAVA base calling
RUNES variant annotation

t49

SSAGA-delimited variant analysis
and interpretation

t50

Verbal interim report of diagnosis
pending CLIA confirmation



Introduction



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The genomes of ill newborns can be sequenced in less than 24 hours to give clinicians a rapid diagnosis.

GENOMICS

Fast sequencing saves newborns

Rapid analysis of infant genomes is aiding diagnosis and treatment of inexplicably ill babies.

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Over the next five years, Kingsmore's group will sequence the genomes of 500 sick babies from the Children's Mercy Hospital NICU and compare the infants' clinical outcomes with those of 500 NICU babies who are diagnosed using conventional genetic and metabolic tests. The researchers will assess whether rapid sequencing allows babies to avoid unnecessary tests and unhelpful treatments, and whether it helps parents to make decisions about care when the child is diagnosed as having a fatal disease. Even when an infant does die, Kingsmore says, a genome sequence and diagnosis can provide closure to parents and give more information about the genetic conditions they carry.

Kingsmore calls the rapid sequencing technique a 'factory' approach, in which four or five specialists each perform one step of the process — from the blood draw to the final

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Pilot:



Aim: provisional genetic diagnosis using Whole Genome Sequencing within 72 hours

- Start set-up of project: September 2013
- Start inclusion of patients: May 2014
- Severely ill newborns/young children
- Expected 25-30 patients per year
- Evaluation 1 year after inclusion of first patient

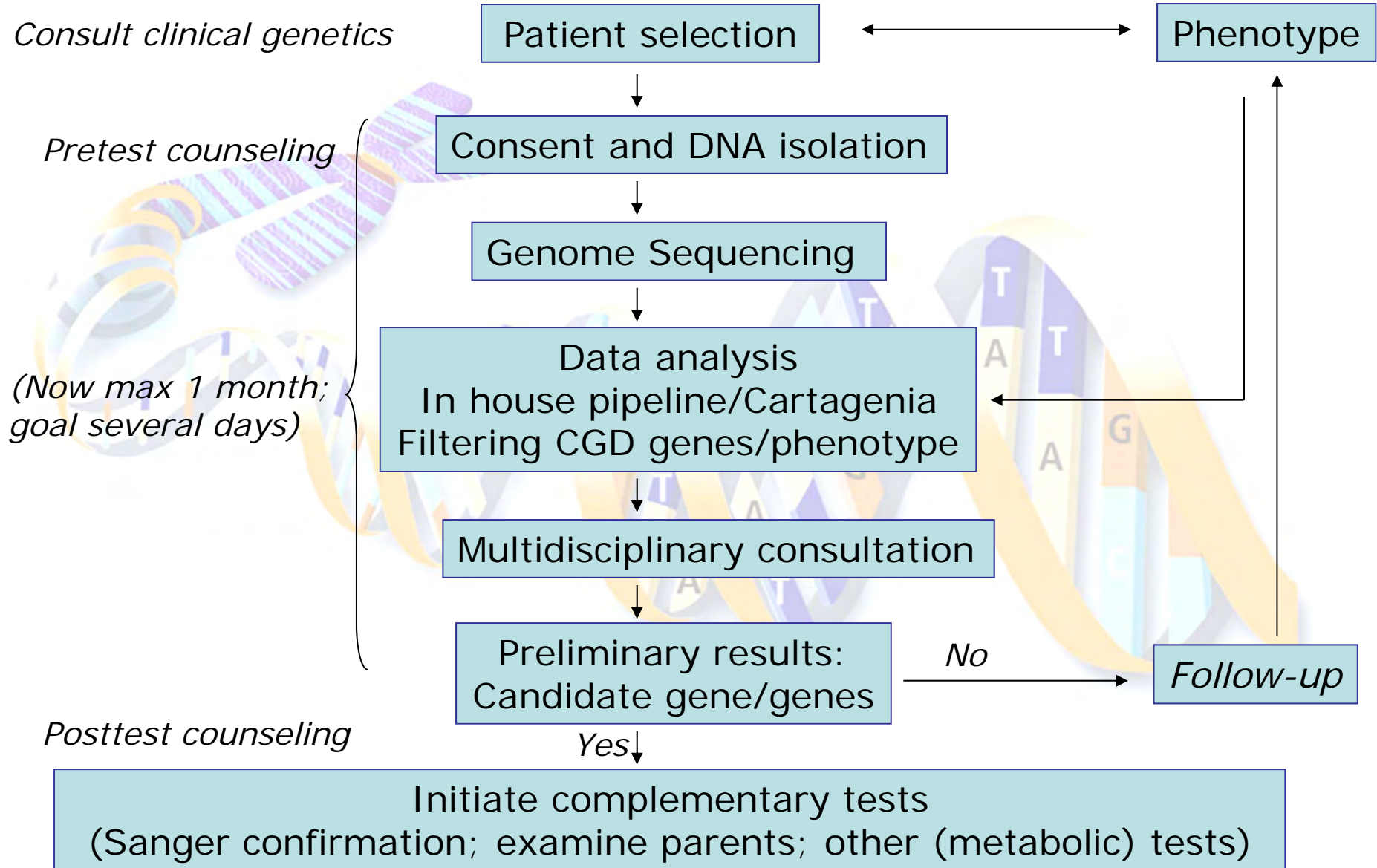


Pilot:



- Whole Genome Sequencing
- Platform: Illumina HiSeq 2500 (rapid run)
- Analysis of ~2800 genes from the Clinical Genomic Database (CGD) that are “clinically actionable”
- Exclude “late onset” disease genes
- Use HPO terms for filtering

Logistics





Logistics lab:



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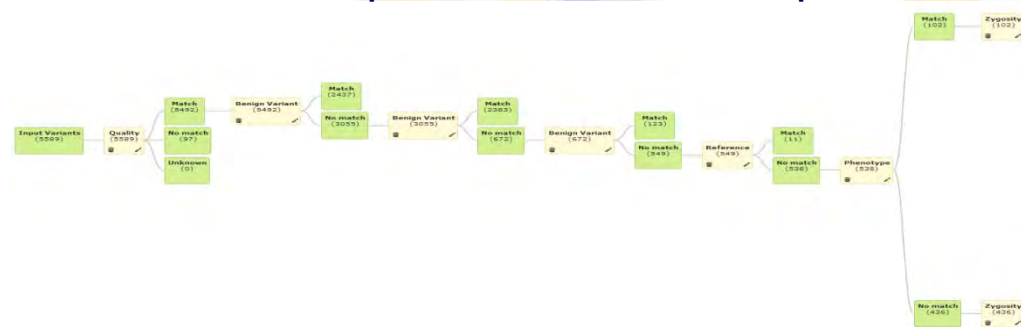
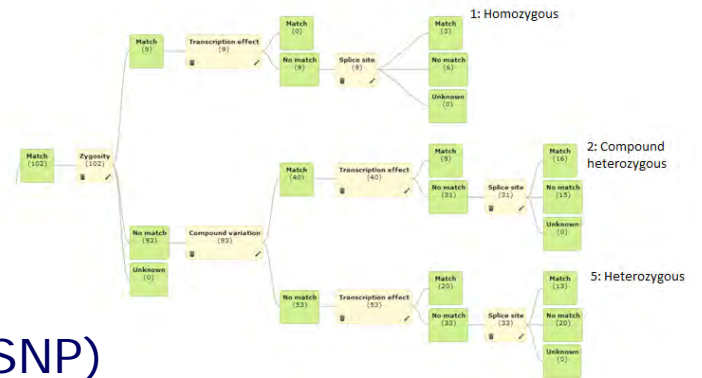
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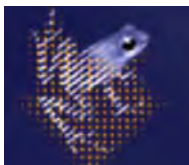


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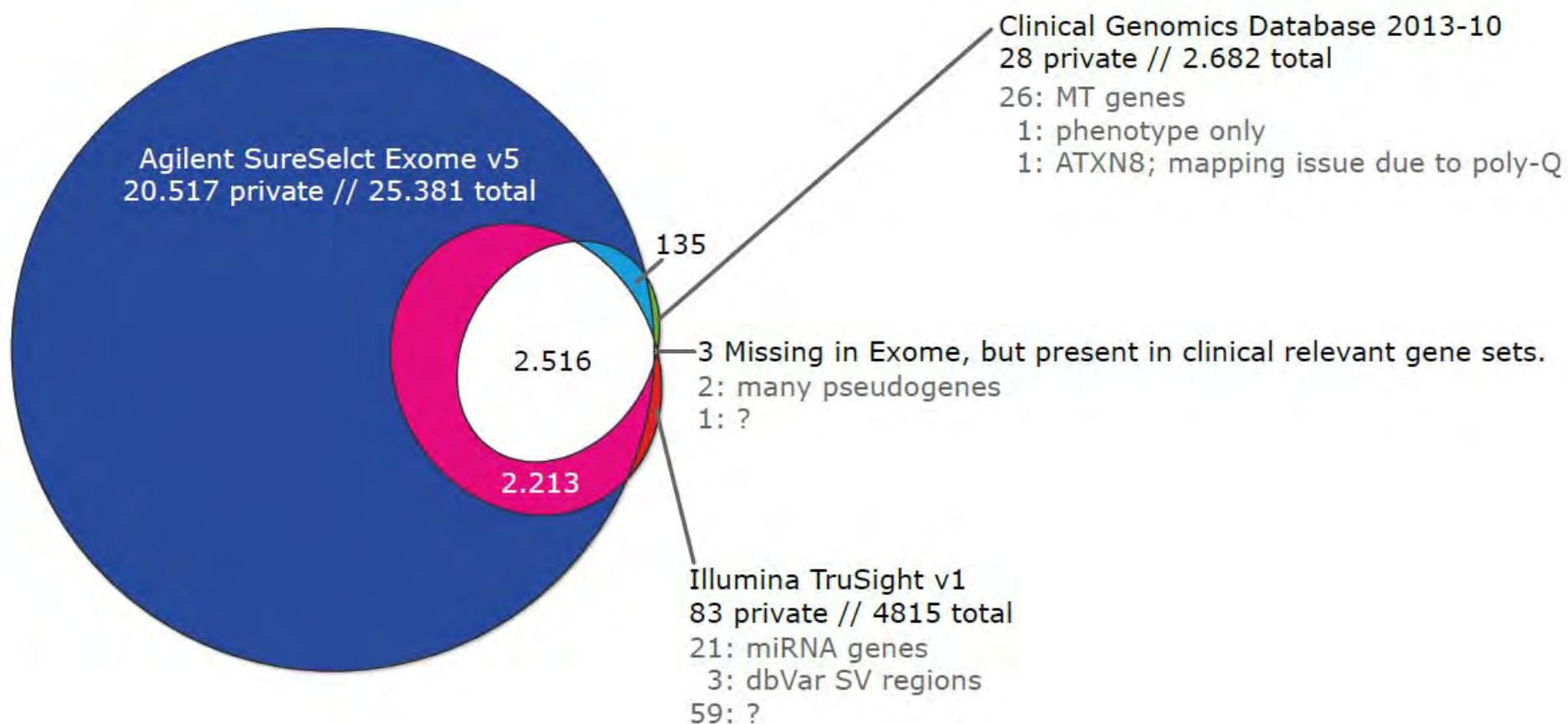
- BED-file with 2800 genes from CGD
- Coverage >5
- Filtering trees

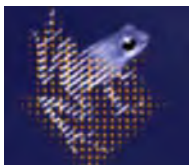
1. <MAF 0.02 (GoNL; ESP6500; 1000G; dbSNP)
2. HPO phenotype(s)
 - 3a. homozygosity, compound heterozygosity, transcriptional effect, splice site (-/+ 5 bp)
 - 3b. Filtering rare (*de novo*) variants <0.1%, transcriptional effect, splice site (-/+ 5 bp)





~2800 clinically actionable genes





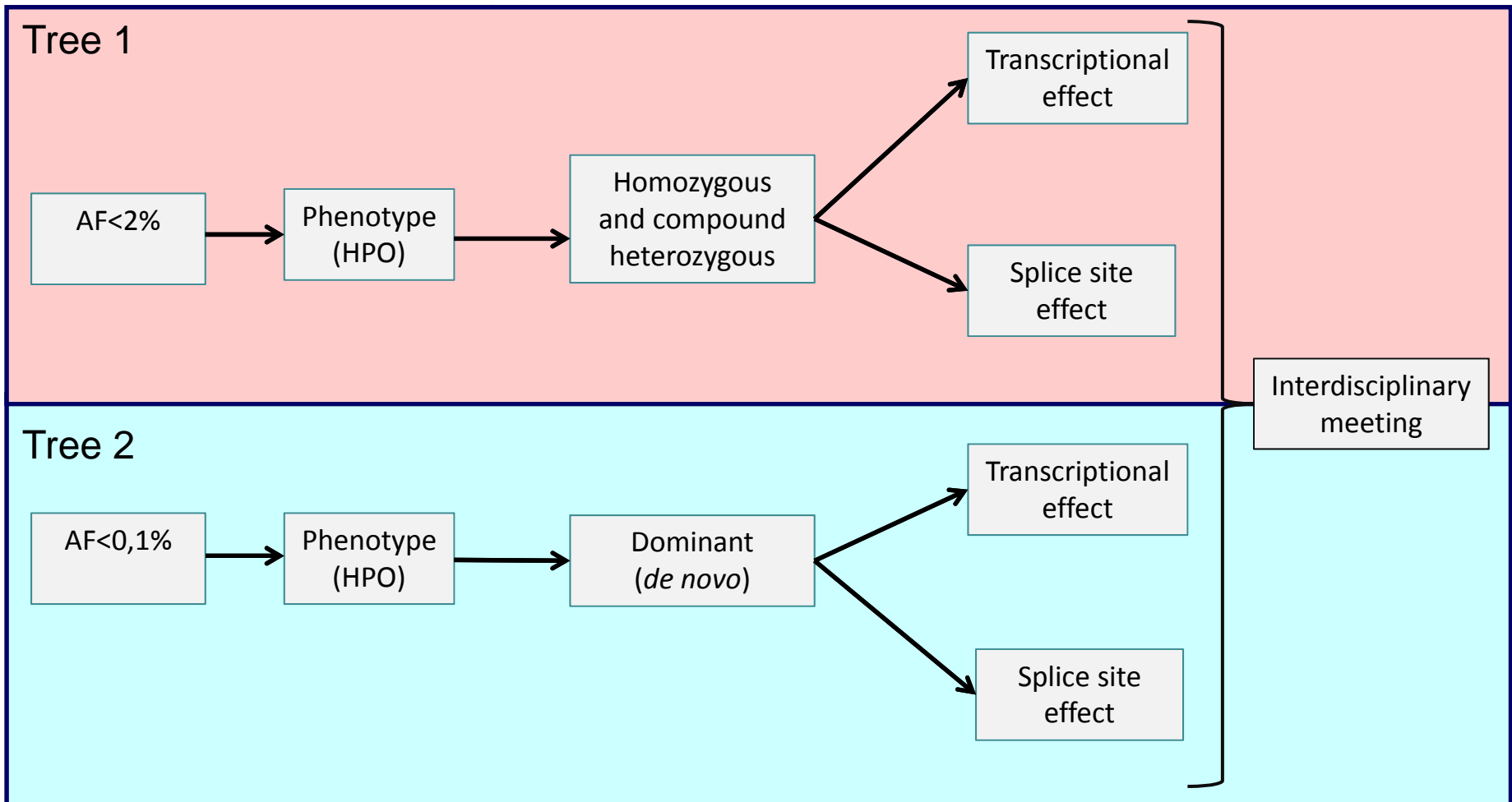
36 late onset genes excluded



| GENE | CONDITION |
|---------|---|
| AIP | Pituitary adenoma, familial isolated |
| ALK | Neuroblastoma, susceptibility to, 3 |
| APC | Familial adenomatous polyposis; Gardner syndrome; Desmoid disease, hereditary |
| AXIN2 | Oligodontia-colorectal cancer syndrome |
| BAP1 | Tumor predisposition syndrome |
| BMPR1A | Polyposis syndrome, hereditary mixed, 2; Polyposis, juvenile intestinal |
| BRCA1 | Breast-ovarian cancer, familial, susceptibility to, 1; Pancreatic cancer, susceptibility to |
| CDH1 | CDH1-related cancer |
| CDK4 | Melanoma, cutaneous malignant, susceptibility to, 3 |
| CDKN2A | Melanoma, familial; Melanoma-pancreatic cancer syndrome |
| CEBPA | Acute myeloid leukemia, familial |
| CHEK2 | Li-Fraumeni syndrome 2 |
| CTHRC1 | Barrett esophagus/Esophageal adenocarcinoma |
| CTNNA1 | Hereditary diffuse gastric cancer, familial |
| DICER1 | DICER1 syndrome |
| EGFR | Acute myeloid leukemia, familial; Lung cancer, familial, susceptibility to |
| FH | Hereditary leiomyomatosis and renal cell cancer |
| FLCN | Birt-Hogg-Dube syndrome; Pneumothorax, primary spontaneous |
| GATA2 | Dendritic cell, monocyte, B and natural killer lymphoid deficiency; Emberger syndrome; Myelodysplastic syndrome; Acute myeloid leukemia, familial; Chronic neutropenia associated with monocytopenia, evolving to myelodysplasia and acute myeloid leukemia |
| KIT | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor |
| MAX | Pheochromocytoma |
| MLH1 | Colorectal cancer, hereditary nonpolyposis, type 2; Mismatch repair cancer syndrome; Endometrial cancer; Muir-Torre syndrome |
| MLH3 | Colorectal cancer, hereditary nonpolyposis type 7; Endometrial carcinoma |
| MSH2 | Colorectal cancer, hereditary nonpolyposis, type 1; Endometrial cancer; Mismatch repair cancer syndrome; Muir-Torre syndrome |
| MSH3 | Endometrial carcinoma |
| MSH6 | Colorectal cancer, hereditary nonpolyposis type 5; Mismatch repair cancer syndrome; Endometrial cancer |
| MUTYH | Familial adenomatous polyposis, 2; Colorectal adenomatous polyposis, autosomal recessive, with pilomatricomas |
| NF2 | Neurofibromatosis type II |
| PAX5 | Pre-B cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia |
| PDGFRA | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor |
| PMS2 | Colorectal cancer, hereditary nonpolyposis type 4; Mismatch repair cancer syndrome |
| PRKAR1A | Pigmented nodular adrenocortical disease, primary, 1; Carney complex; Myxoma, intracardiac; Acrodysostosis 1, with/without hormone resistance |
| RAD51D | Ovarian cancer, familial, susceptibility to |
| STK11 | Peutz-Jeghers syndrome |
| TMEM127 | Pheochromocytoma |
| TP53 | Li-Fraumeni syndrome; Choroid plexus papilloma; Ependymoma, intracranial; Osteogenic sarcoma; Breast cancer, familial; Hepatoblastoma; Non-Hodgkin lymphoma; Adrenocortical carcinoma; Colorectal cancer |



Filtering Cartagenia





Validation rapid WGS; criteria



-> 5 DNA samples included; 4 sequenced

- Starting material: Test samples fulfill criteria nextera protocol
 - * optimized for 50 ng (2.5 ng/ μ l) DNA
 - * absorbance ratio values of 1.8–2.0 (Qubit and Nanodrop)
- Resulting DNA library quality:
 - * size distribution ~250 bp - 450 bp
 - * no primer peaks
 - * quantity at least 10 μ l, 5nM
- Nextera DNA sample preparation finished within 4 hours
- Coverage:
 - Mean coverage 30x genome wide
 - 80% of genes of interest covered at least 20x
- genotypes based on the sequencing results should be 99% concordant with cytoSNP arrays results.



Validation DNA prep:



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Validated and SOP

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within 4 hours

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Rapid run

Data Processing:
In house pipeline
GCC

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Validation 4 samples WGS



Coverage:

| Sample | mean coverage | covered at 20x |
|--------|---------------|----------------|
| B | 32x | 92,30% |
| C | 33x | 89,40% |
| D | 32x | 83,00% |
| F | 29x | 72,55% |



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Validated and SOP:
 4 samples with known
 mutation
 mean coverage 30x
 Genome wide
 >80% of CGD genes
 Covered >20x

Processing:
use pipeline
GCC

Variant filtering/
interpretation:
Cartagenia



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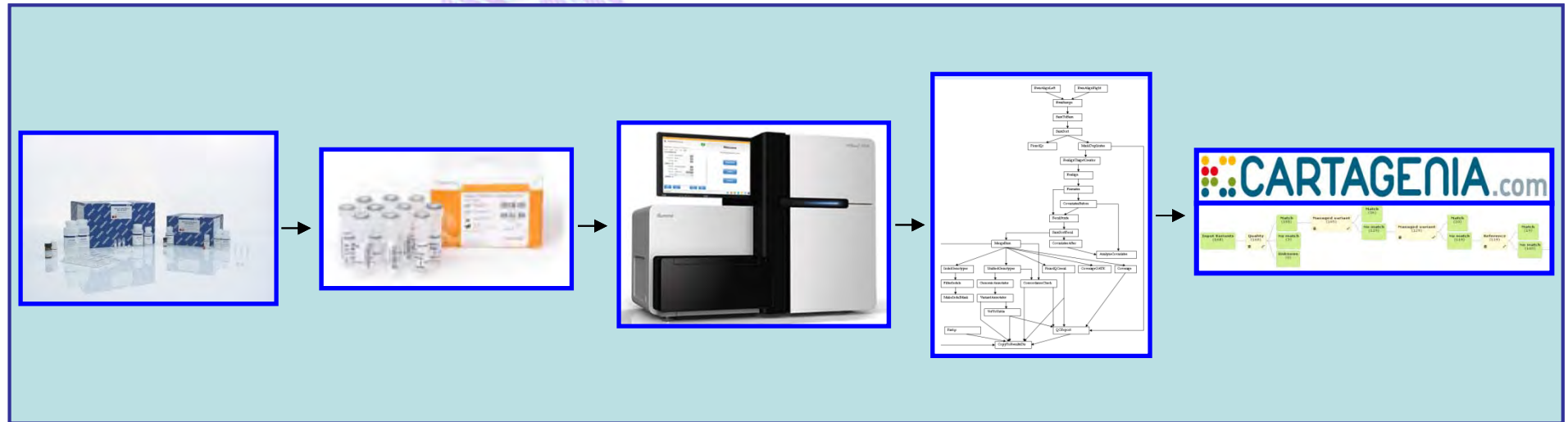
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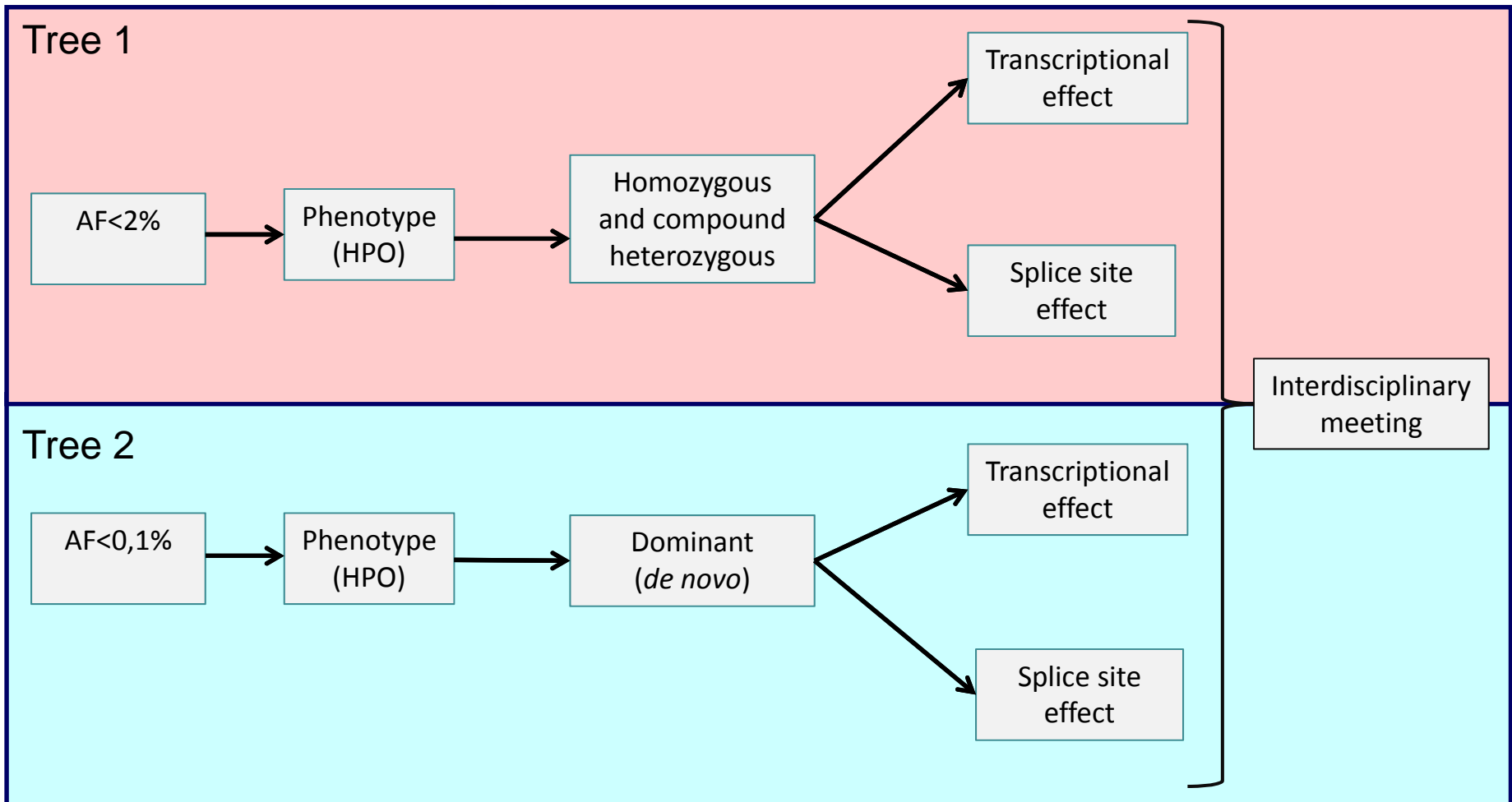
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- The pathogenic mutation in 30 patient previously detected with exome sequencing should be correctly detected in Cartagenia
- The amount of genes/variants left over after running a classification trees in Cartagenia should not be >20
- The tree should be applicable to different types of diseases and inheritance modes
- Comparing the genotype calls based on NGS with Sanger sequencing results. All pathogenic mutations confirmed by sanger sequencing, need to be called for each patient.



Filtering Cartagenia





Validation filtering strategy



- The pathogenic mutation(s) in 20 patient previously detected with exome sequencing should be correctly detected in Cartagena
 - * 20/20 patients pathogenic mutations identified
 - * average coverage of respective nucleotide(s): 35x (min. 8x; max. 90x)
- The amount of genes/variants left over after running a classification trees in Cartagena should not be more than 20
- The tree should be applicable to different types of diseases and inheritance modes
 - * Every kind of disease and the recessive, compound heterozygote and dominant inheritance mode could be correctly analyzed with this tree.
- Comparing the genotype calls based on NGS with Sanger sequencing results. All pathogenic mutations confirmed by Sanger sequencing, need to be called from each patient.
 - * The SNV and indel calling pipeline called every variant correctly



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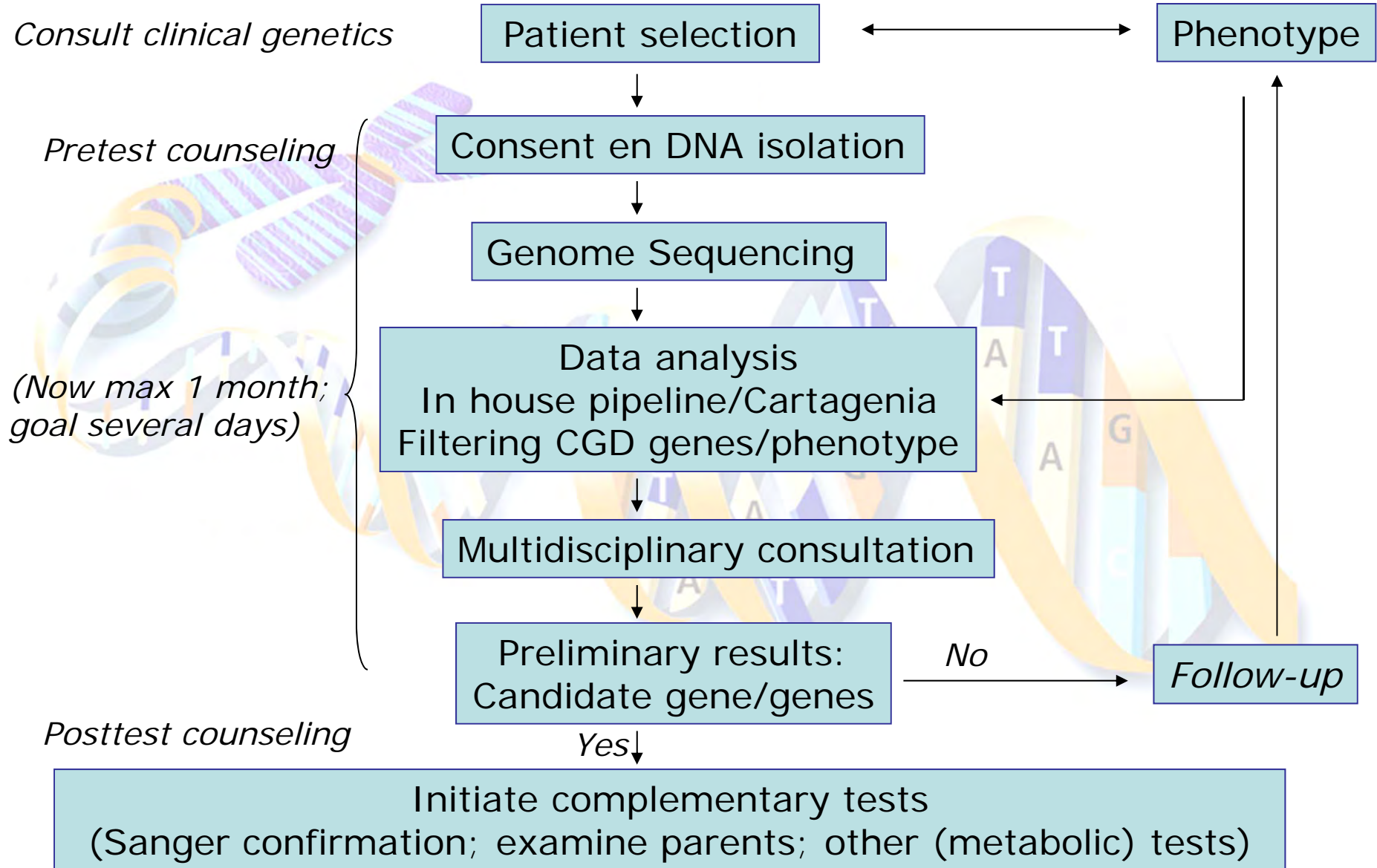
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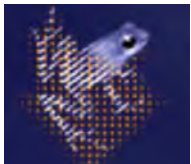
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Mutation detected in
4 WGS and 30 exome
samples
using filtering pipeline

Logistics

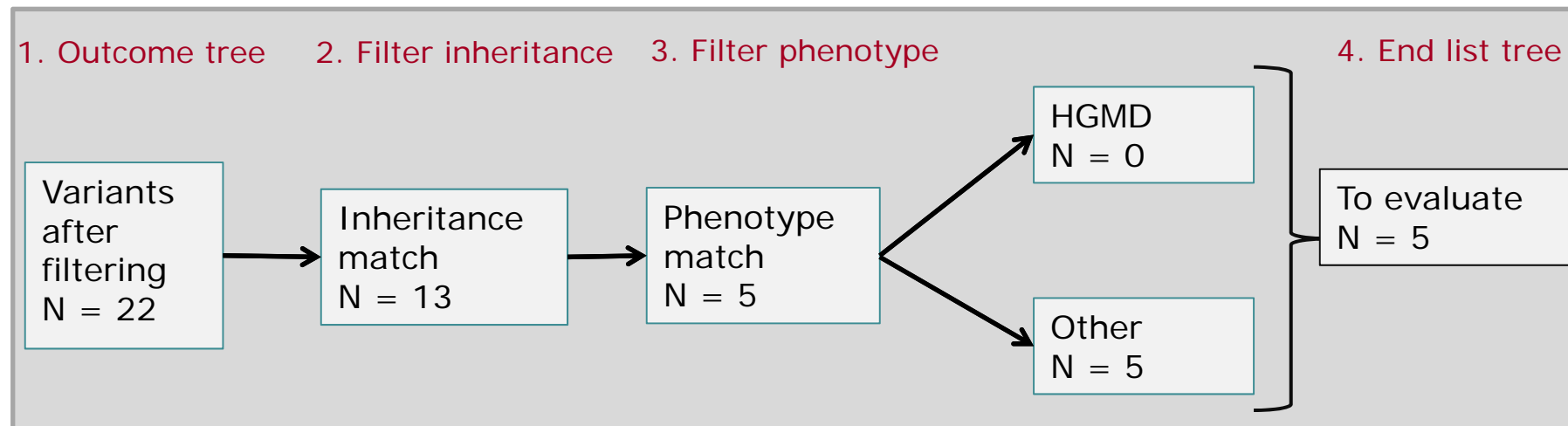




Interdisciplinary meeting



- technician, lab specialist, clinical geneticist, bioinformatician and if possible paediatrician
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- Evaluate incidental findings: if necessary consult review board installed for this purpose

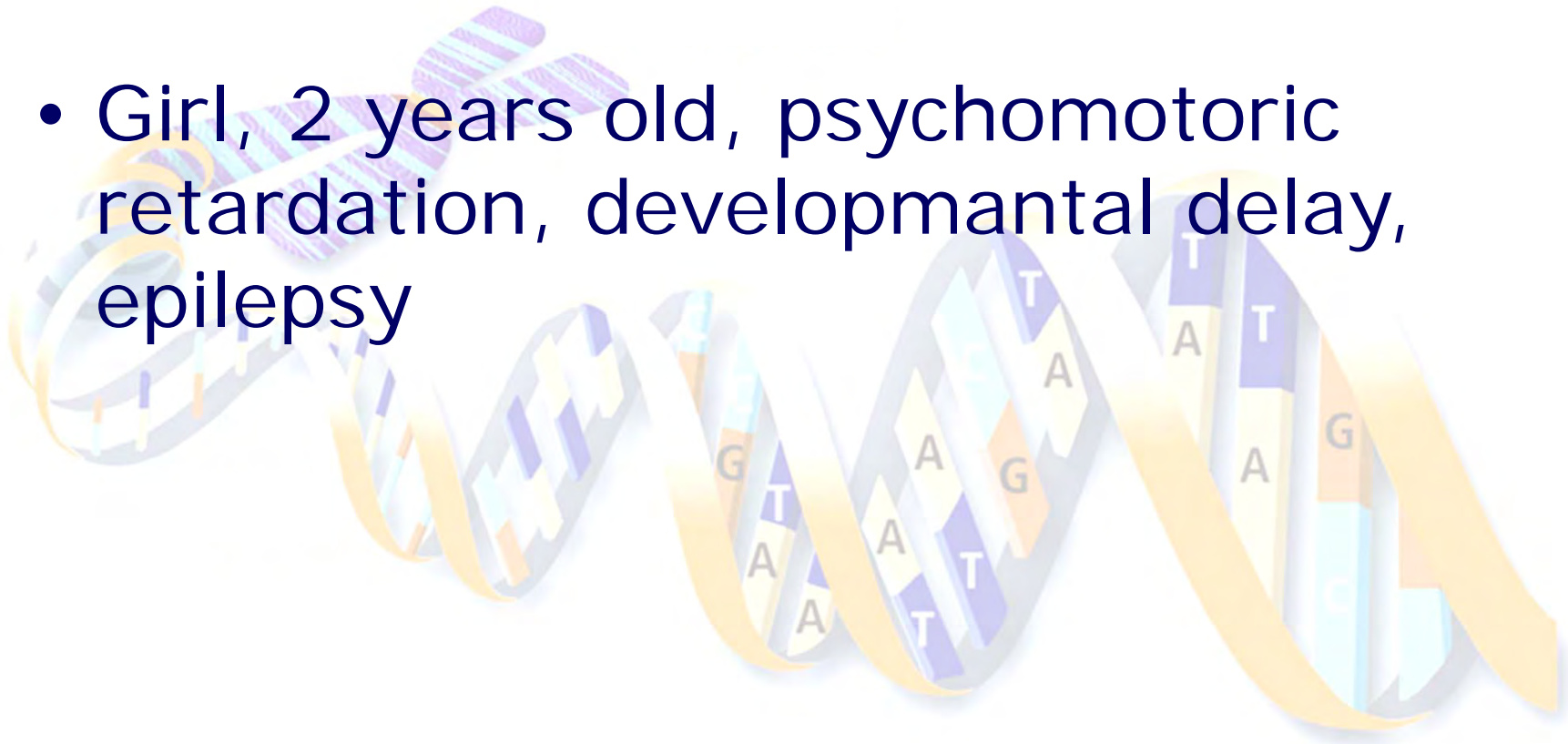




Validation patient (WES en WGS)!



- Girl, 2 years old, psychomotoric retardation, developmental delay, epilepsy



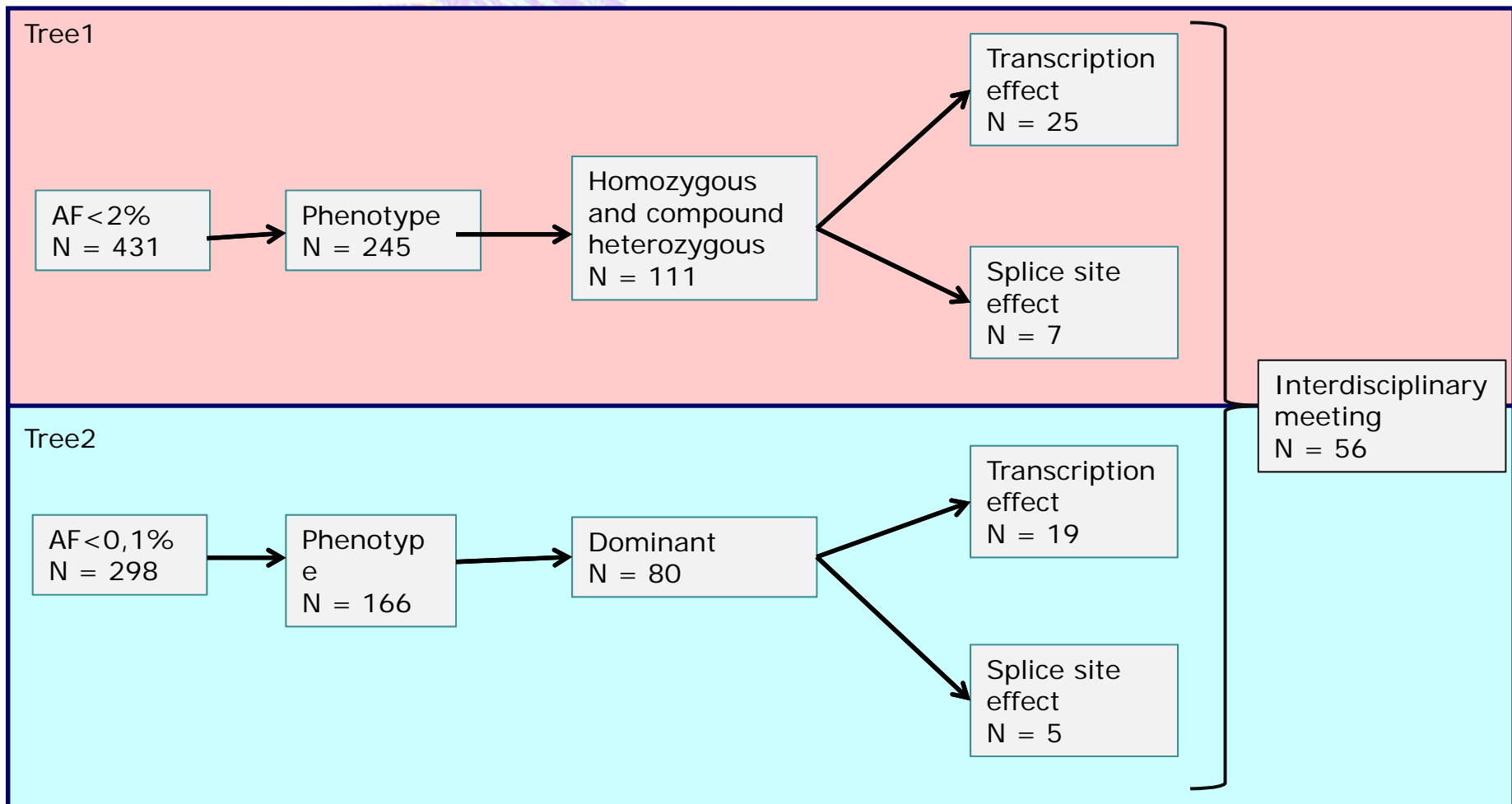


Filtering trees



start with **5200** variants after filtering for CGD genes

Phenotype: HP:0002011 Abnormality of the central nervous system





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1. Outcome tree 1

Homozygous and compound heterozygous
transcriptional or splice site effect
N=32

2. Filter phenotype

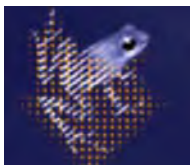
Phenotype match with OMIM disease
N=2

3. Filter inheritance

Inheritance match with OMIM disease
N=2

4. Endlist tree 1

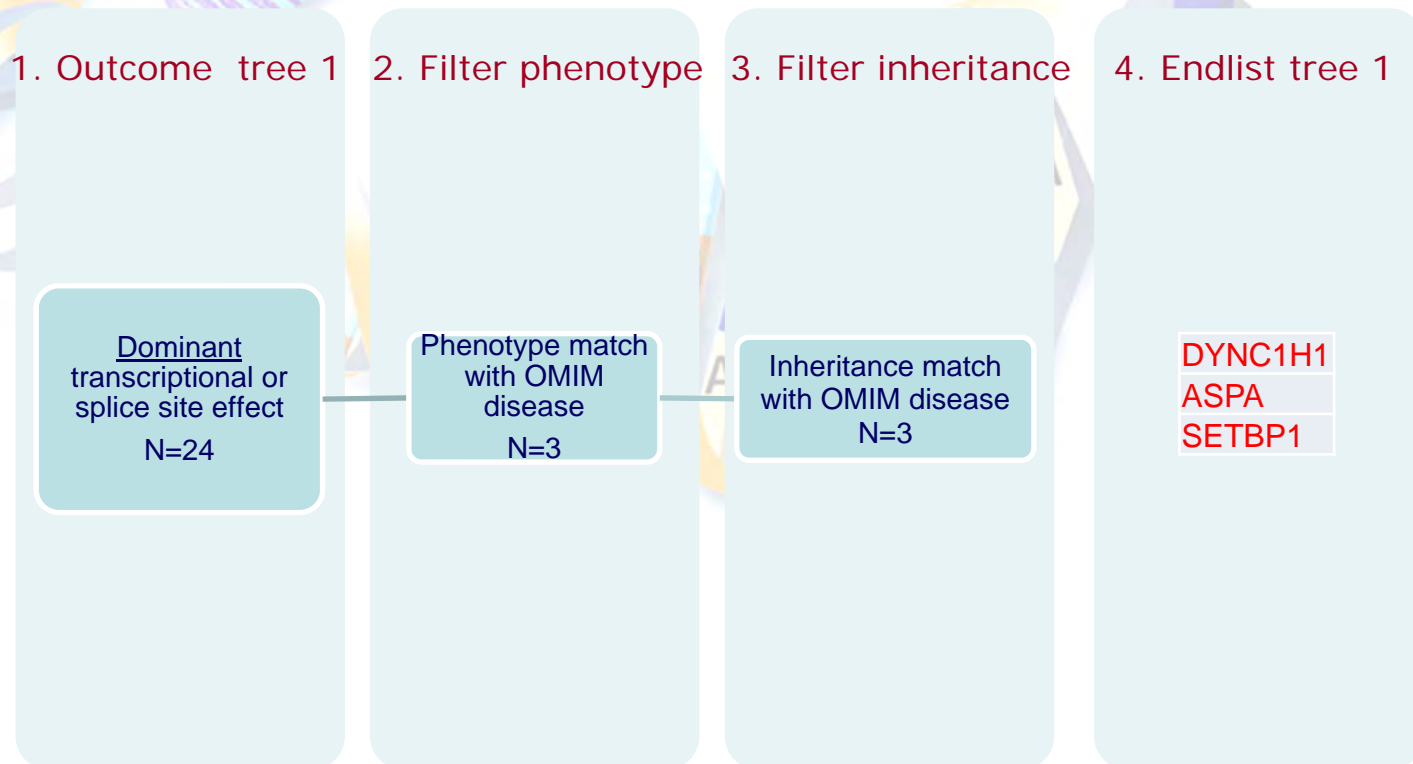
GALC
SCARF2



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Validation patient!

Candidate genes

| tree | Over- erving | dbSNP | omimlink | Gene | cDNA | Protein | HGMD/OMIM Disease | Alamut | CADD |
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| 1 | rec | rs11300320 | http://omim.org/entry/606890 | GALC | c.1162-4delT | | Krabbe disease | Likely benign | 3? |
| 1 | rec | rs5844419 | http://omim.org/entry/613619 | SCARF2 | c.2304dupC | p.A768fs | Van den Ende-Gupta syndrome | VOUS* | 5? |
| 2 | dom (het) | | http://omim.org/entry/600112 | DYNC1H1 | c.5140G>A | p.A1714T | Mental retardation, autosomal dominant 13 | Likely pathogenic | 35 |
| 2 | dom (het) | rs200957852 | http://omim.org/entry/611060 | SETBP1 | c.682_683insTCTT | p.T228fs | Schinz-el-Giedion midface retraction syndrome | Likely pathogenic** | 10? |

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Real patients



Validation interpretation procedure 6 patients:

- 5/6 patients pathogenic mutation identified
- 1/6 patients not.
Reason: gene not yet known disease related in CGD database.
- in half of patients incidental findings.



Incidental findings:

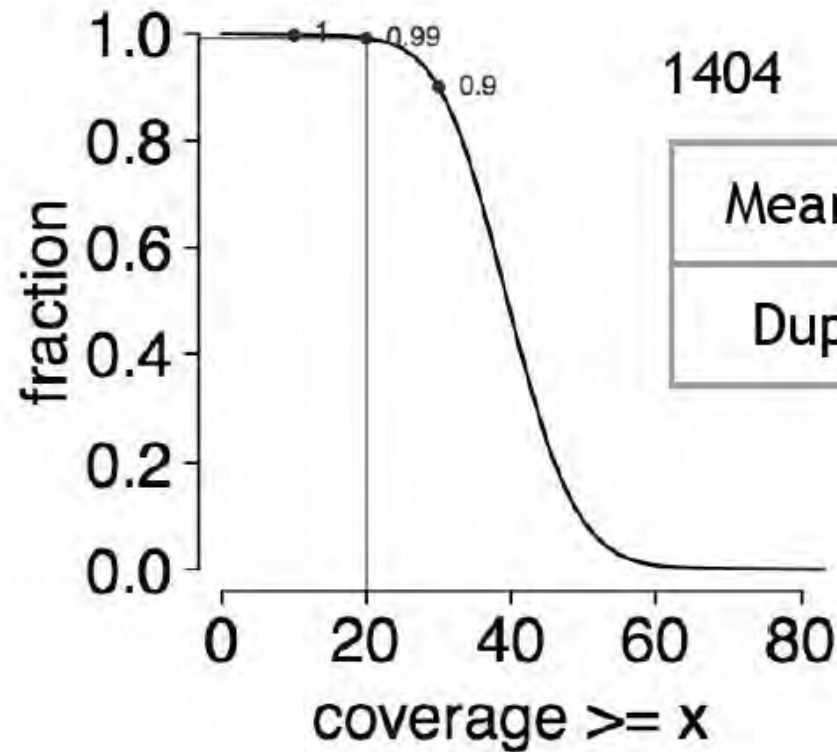
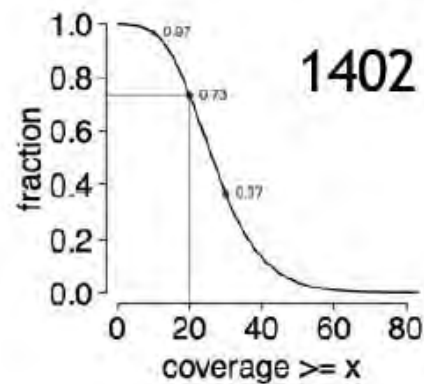
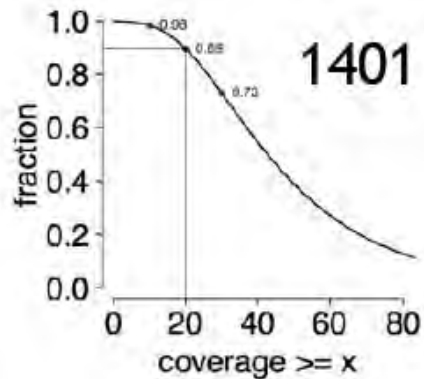


Different situations:

1. Finding (P/LP) explains part of phenotype; reported and confirmed
2. Clear actionable finding (P/LP) for patient or family; reported and confirmed
3. With respect to VUS (class 3); not reported unless convincingly related to phenotype.
4. remainder: discussed within multidisciplinary meeting, also when this concerns VUS (class 3), but association with phenotype convincing.



First 5 patients



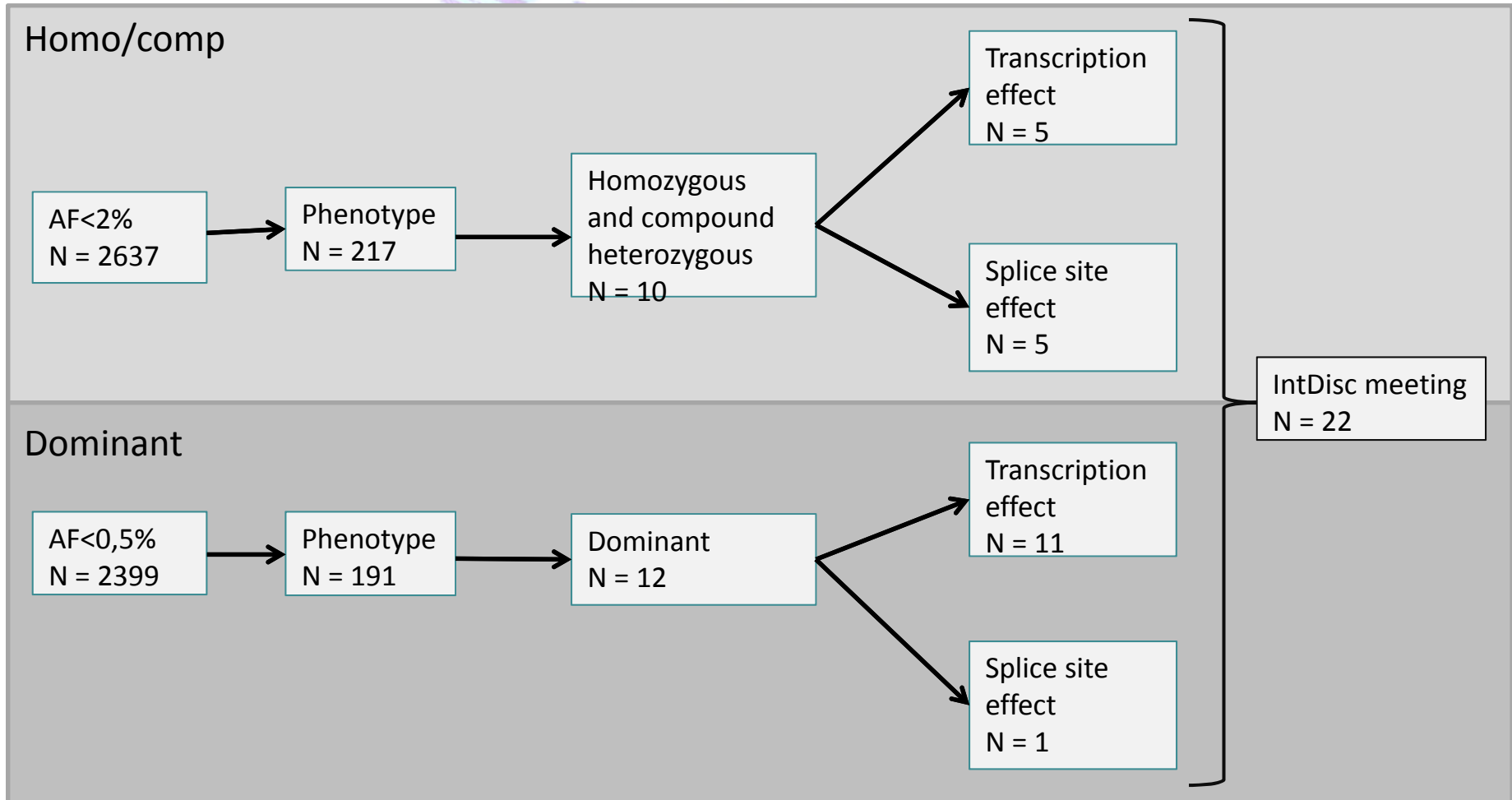
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| Mean Coverage | 39.8 |
| Duplicates (%) | 0.9 |



Example patient

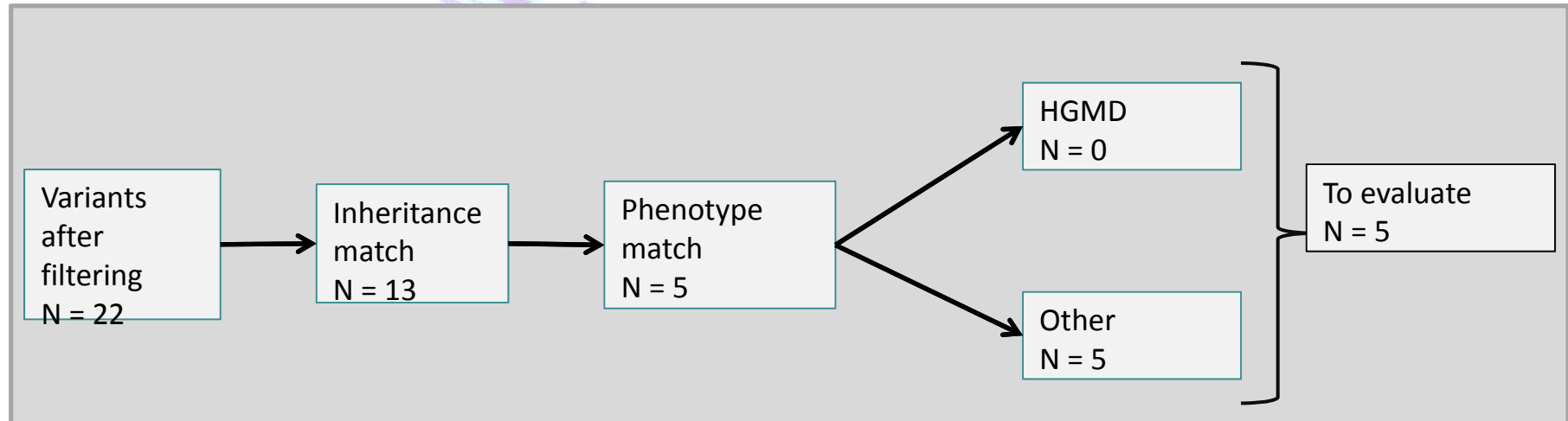


HPO terms HP:0001638 Cardiomyopathy





example patient



5 variants for Sanger sequencing

3 heterozygous variants also present in one of the parents

1 variant "low qual" not confirmed

1 variant not confirmed



First patients



| Patient | Phenotype | Mean coverage | Nr of candidates after filtering | Provisional diagnosis |
|---------|---|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Abnormality of the nervous system Abnormality of movement | 51x | 5 | no |
| 2 | Dilated cardiomyopathy (Myopathy) | 29x | 5 | no |
| 3 | Cleft palate Abnormality of finger Abnormality of the cerebral ventricles | 40x * | 0 | no |

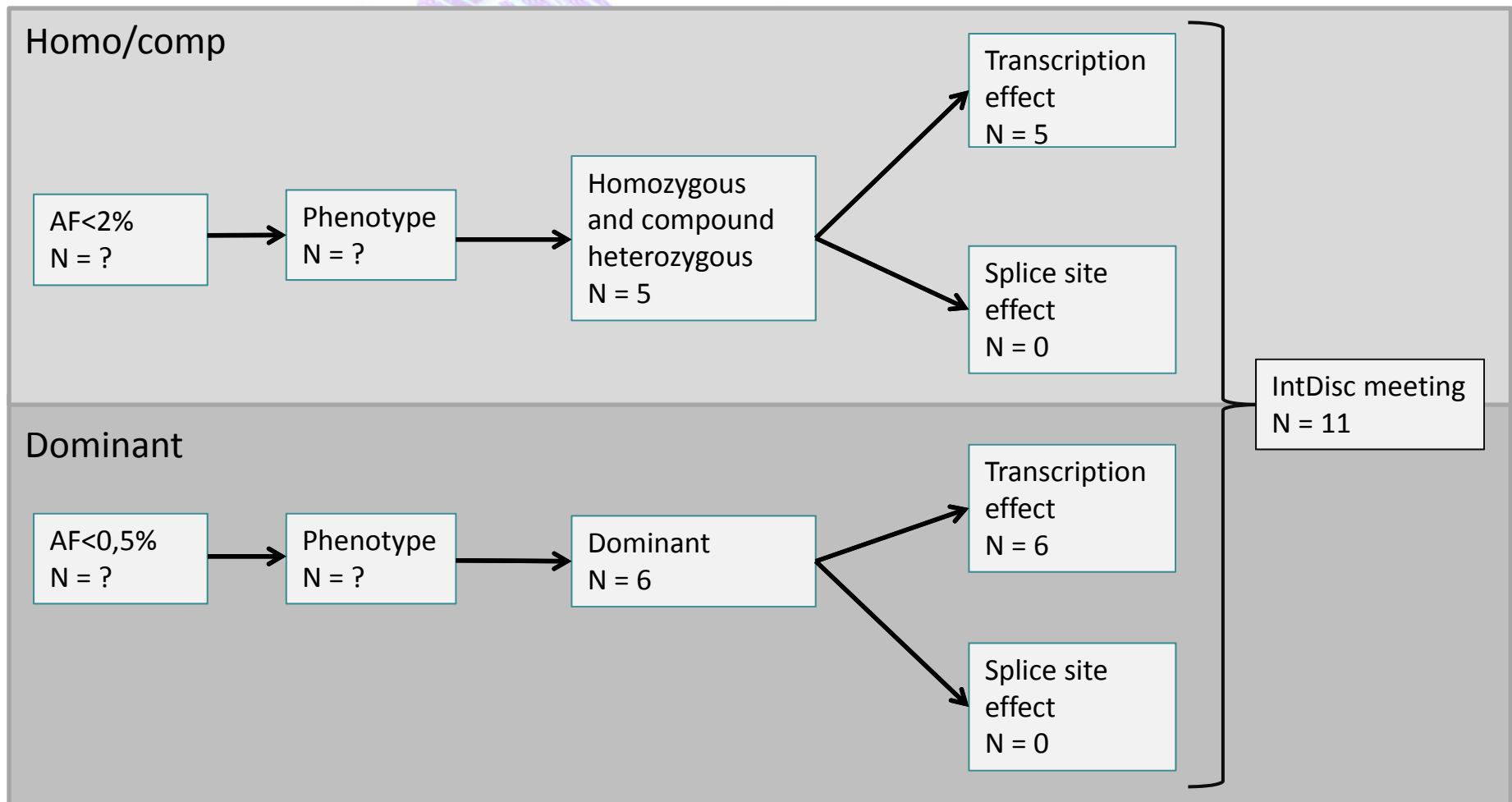
* Switch to different library prep chemistry



Example recent patient

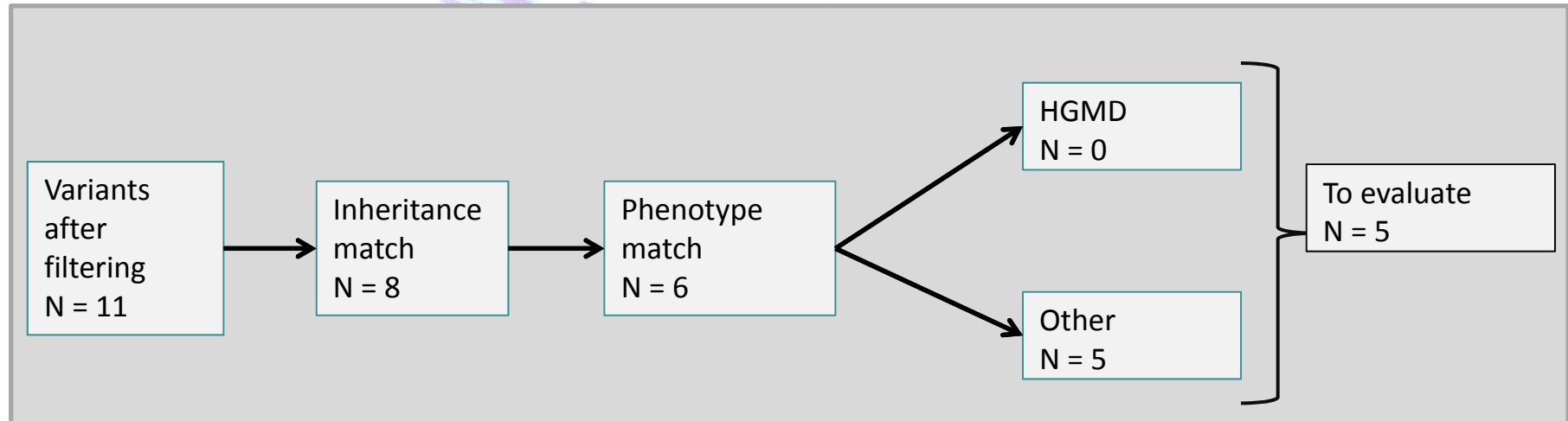


Myoclonieen: Myoclonus (HP:0001336); Generalized hypotonia (HP:0001290); Status epilepticus (HP:0002133); Multifocal epileptiform discharges (HP:0010841); Epileptic encephalopathy (HP:0200134)





example patient



5 variants for Sanger sequencing

3 heterozygous variants also present in one of the parents

1 variant "low qual" not confirmed

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example patient



| Overerving | Gene (gene) | cDNA (cName) | Protein | HGMD Disease | Inheritanc | Overerving | Phenotype | Inclusie | Classifica | vervolgactie | CADD |
|------------|-------------|--------------|---------|------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|-------|
| Comp | ATN1 | c.1500G>T | p.Q500H | | AD | Ja | JA | JA | VOUS | bevestigen Sanger | 0.019 |
| Comp | ATN1 | c.2260G>A | p.V754I | | AD | Ja | JA | JA | VOUS | bevestigen Sanger | 17.26 |
| Comp/Dom | BRAT1 | c.1636G>T | p.V546L | | AR | Nee | JA | JA, array | VOUS | bevestigen Sanger | 14.31 |
| Comp/Dom | CHMP2B | c.560G>A | p.S187N | | AD | Ja | NEE | | n.v.t. | | 10.87 |
| Homo | GRIA3 | c.380dupG | | | X-linked | Ja | NEE, o.b.v. frequente | | n.v.t. | | |
| Comp | RANBP2 | c.2173A>G | p.S725G | | AD | ja | JA | JA | VOUS | | 12.79 |
| Comp | RANBP2 | c.2351G>A | p.R784K | | AD | Ja | JA | JA | VOUS | | 0.440 |
| Comp/Dom | SERPINI1 | c.40A>G | p.S14G | | AD | Ja | JA | JA | VOUS | | 8.923 |
| Comp/Dom | SHANK3 | c.829G>A | p.G277R | | AD | Ja | JA | JA | VOUS | | 13.01 |
| Comp/Dom | TSMF | c.817G>A | p.V273I | | AR | Nee | JA | JA, array | VOUS | | 5.311 |
| Comp/Dom | UPB1 | c.254C>A | p.A85E | Ureidopropionase | AR | Nee | JA | Biochemisch | VOUS | bevestigen Sanger | 14.74 |

4 variants: confirm with Sanger sequencing

Biochemical test: purines/pyrimidines in urine

3 heterozygous variants with gene known as recessively inherited: check SNP array result



Conclusions



- Technically feasible within one week
- Nextera sample prep not reliable enough; switch to NEB
- Very good coverage
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- Also better procedures/faster for routine diagnostics
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- Aim still: genetic diagnosis within 72 hours



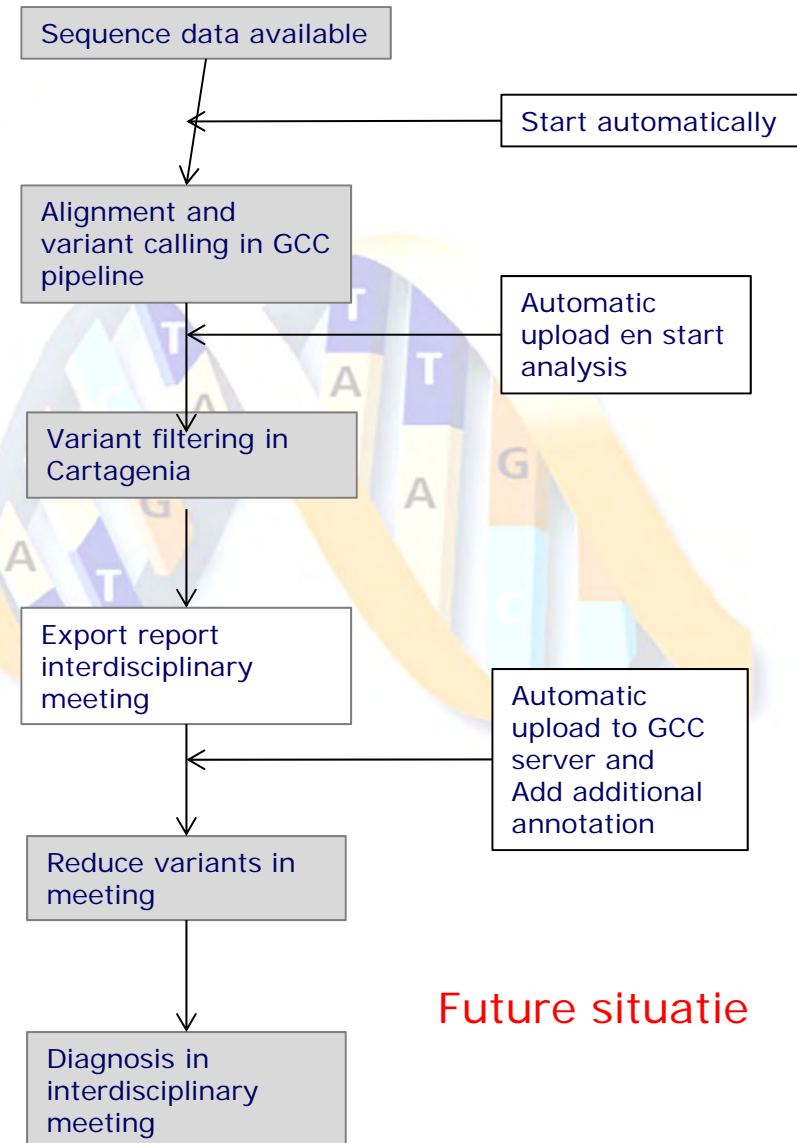
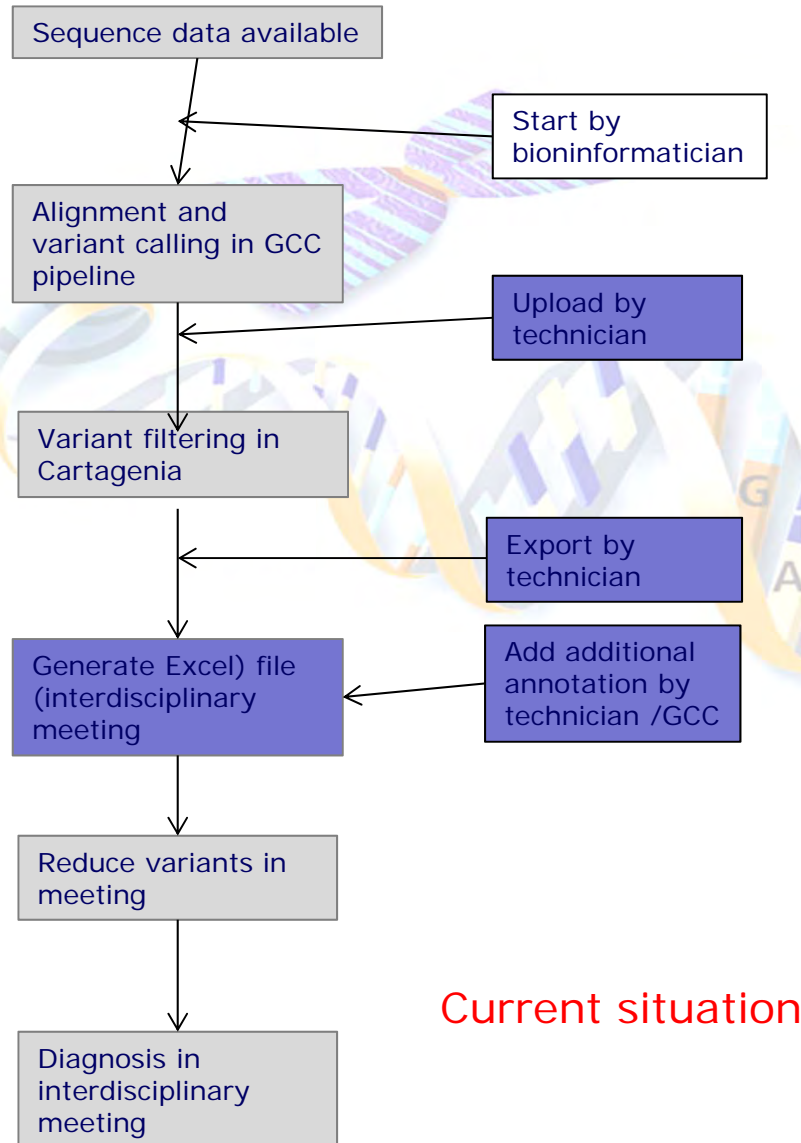
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