

**Future Opportunities for Genome Sequencing**

# **Genome Sequencing for Clinical Care**

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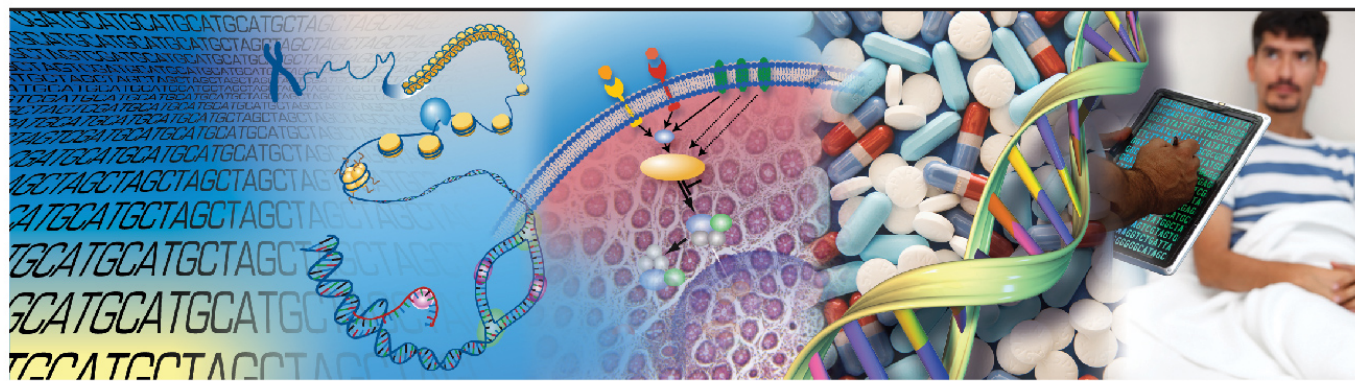
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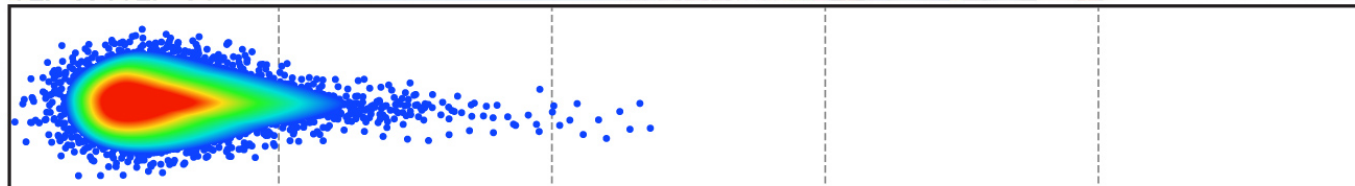
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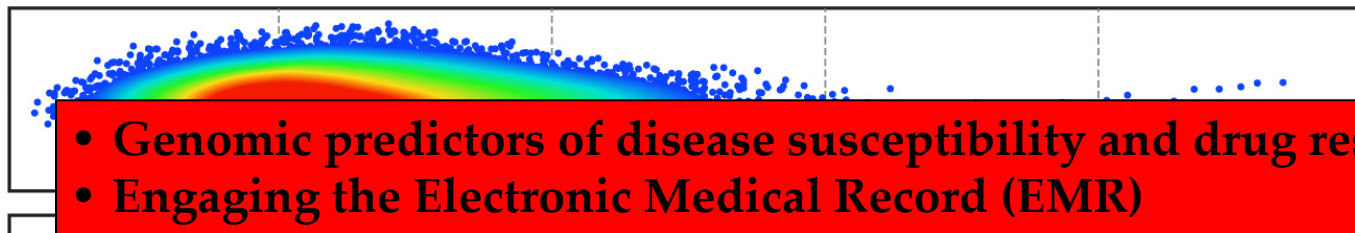
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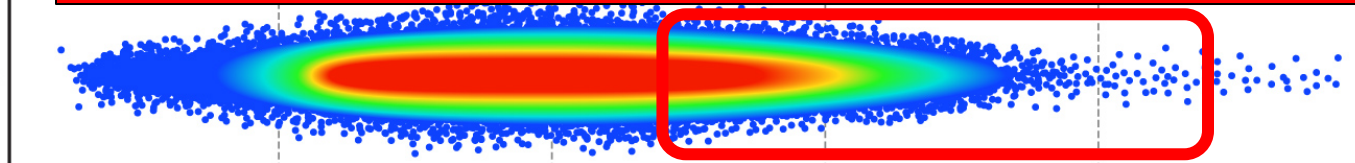
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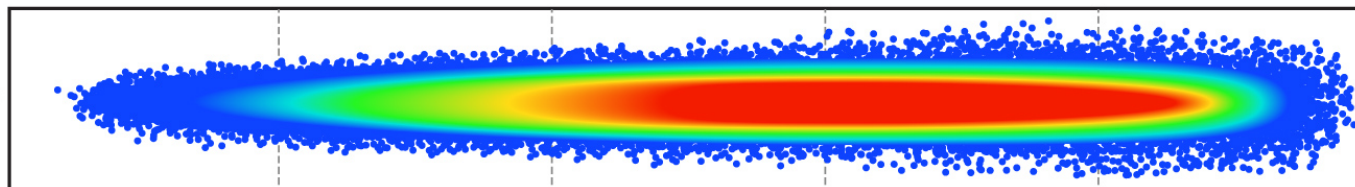
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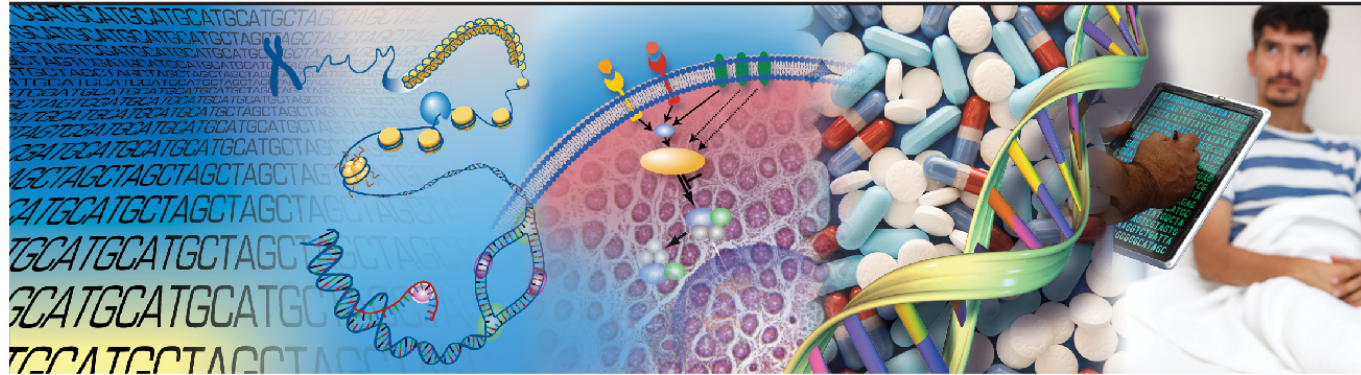
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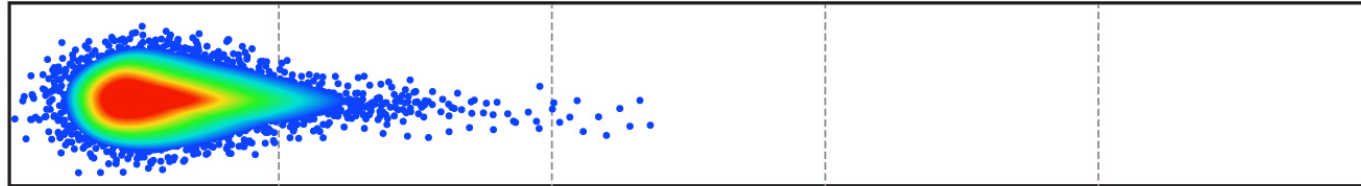
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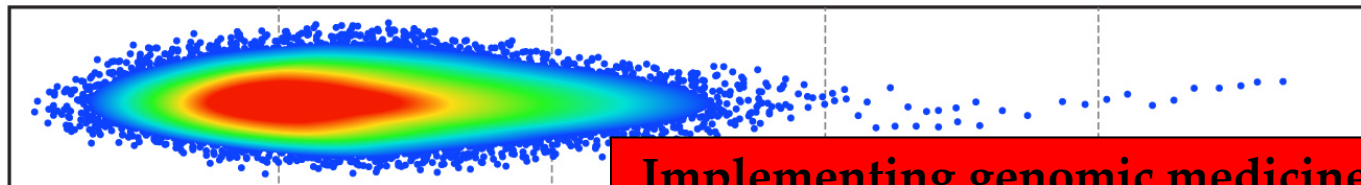
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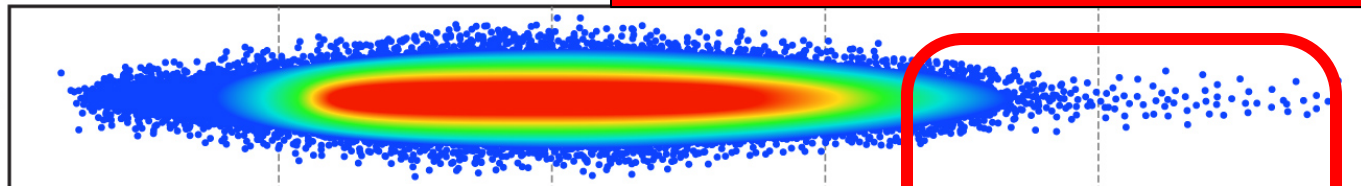


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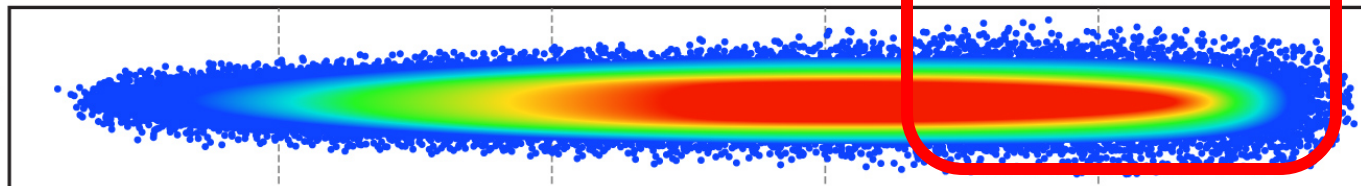


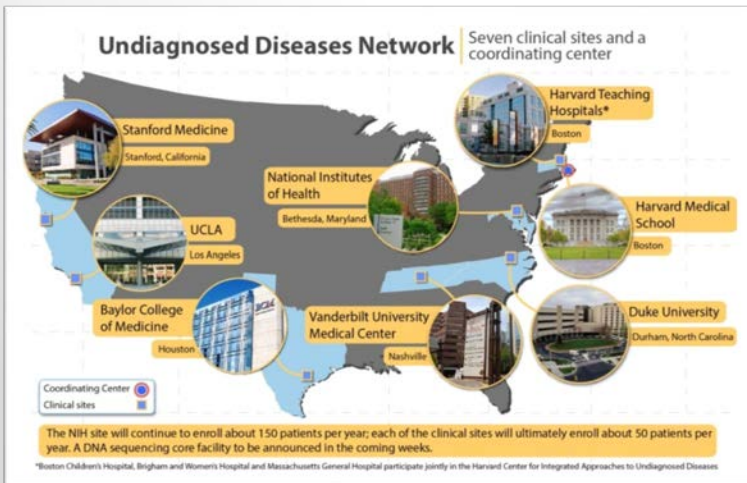
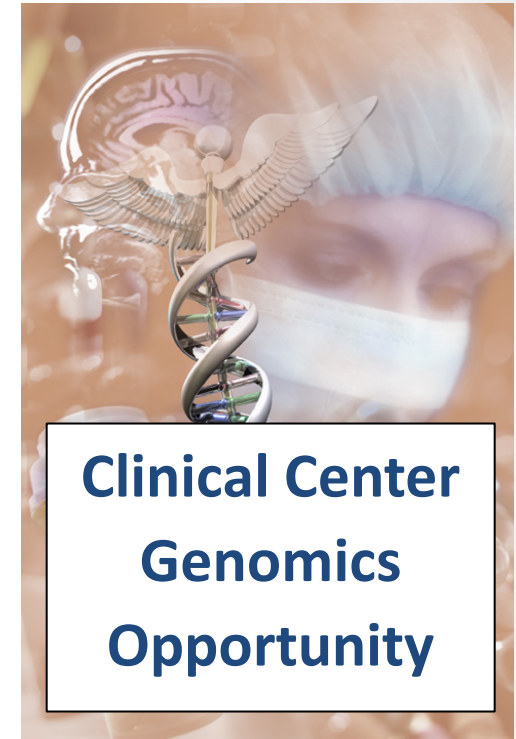
**Implementing genomic medicine**

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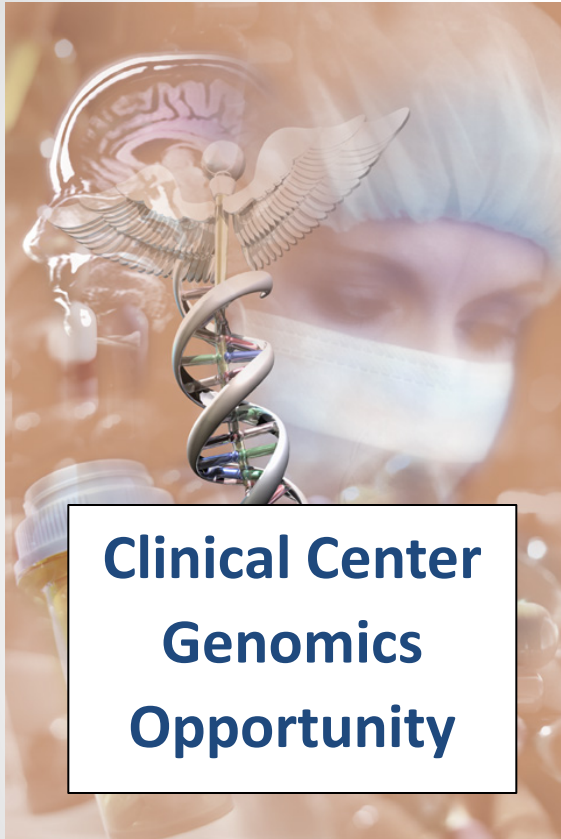




## Demonstration projects to incorporate genomic information into EMRs with decision support

- family history
- hypertension management in AAs
- Pharmacogenetic variant implementation
- Diabetes diagnosis: Sequencing ~40 diabetes/lipodystrophy/obesity genes in targeted patients





- ~1000 exomes: projects 50-300 exomes each
- Evidence for Mendelian, single gene etiology
  - Actual NIHCC patients
  - Germline prioritized over somatic sequencing
- Consent & protocol language in place
- Sequencing at NIH intramural center; “CLIA valid”
- PI designates staff for analysis of primary variants; returns primary findings
- NHGRI analyzes & returns secondary findings

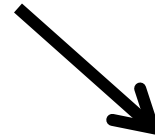
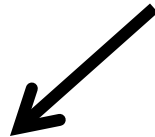
# eMERGE Network

electronic medical records & genomics

- >350,000 subjects with DNA samples + EMRs across 10 sites
- electronic phenotyping; GWAS genotyping
  - phenotype → genotype
  - genotype → phenotype (“PheWAS”)
- eMERGE-PGx: Targeted sequencing across pharmacogenes

# eMERGE-PGx Pharmacogene sequencing project

- identify patients
- identify “actionable” variants
- sequence

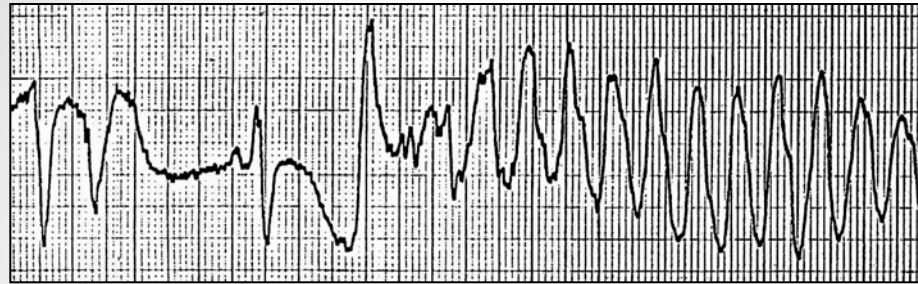


implement  
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create a  
repository of all  
variants



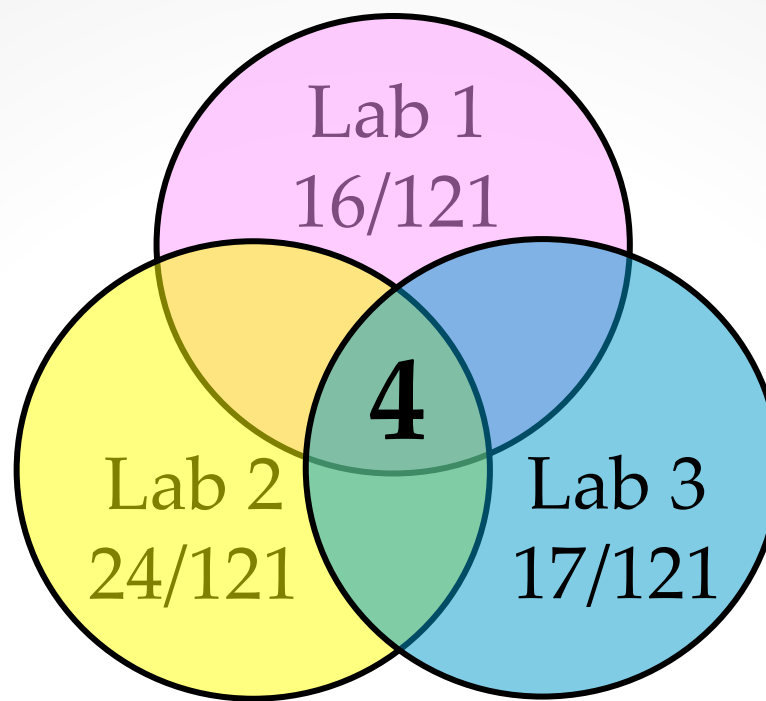
# A variant of unknown significance problem



congenital long QT syndromes caused by mutations in ion channel genes, including *SCN5A* and *KCNH2*

Of the first 2,022 eMERGE-PGx subjects

- 128 non-synonymous variants in *SCN5A* and *KCNH2*
- 121/127 MAF <0.5%; 92 singletons
- 3 expert annotators asked to assign pathogenicity



EMR review (n=48):

- 1 with atrial fibrillation
- 31/48 with ECGs: 1/31 with long QT

Issues:

- return which results? which (if any) patients to have ECGs? screen families? which? what if new data changes the interpretation?



# ClinGen

The Clinical Genome Resource

*Launched  
Sept 2013*

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- ClinVar is a database developed and maintained by NCBI with input from the community, including ClinGen investigators
- ClinGen, The Clinical Genome Resource:
  - Standardizing, sharing, and developing new methods for annotation, interpretation, and assessment of actionability of genomic variants



- 3,500 patients, 10 projects
- Individualized phenotypes → genotype
- Standardized exome/genome sequencing and reporting
- Ongoing ELSI assessments



- Healthy individuals
- Preconception carrier screening
- Cardiomyopathy
- Childhood cancers
- Adult cancers
- Susceptibility to colon cancer and polyps
- Intellectual disabilities
- Hearing loss



# Major questions

- Patient characteristics that signal potential utility of whole genome or exome sequencing
- How to analyze large data sets in a clinical environment
- Special considerations in different populations
- Management of “non-target” data

# The numbers

As of March 2014:

- 1,532 subjects; 69% adult; 52% female
  - White 74%
  - African American 7%
  - Hispanic 8%
  - Asian 3%
  - American Indian 2%
  - Not Reported 7%
- Total Sequenced: 1049
  - 232 Tumor-focused
  - 817 Germline-focused

# The numbers

## Germline analysis (n=817)

- “Positive” for diagnostic finding: 241 (29%)
- Incidental Findings per ACMG list: 24 (2.9%)
  - Incidental Findings by relaxed criteria: 46 (5.6%)



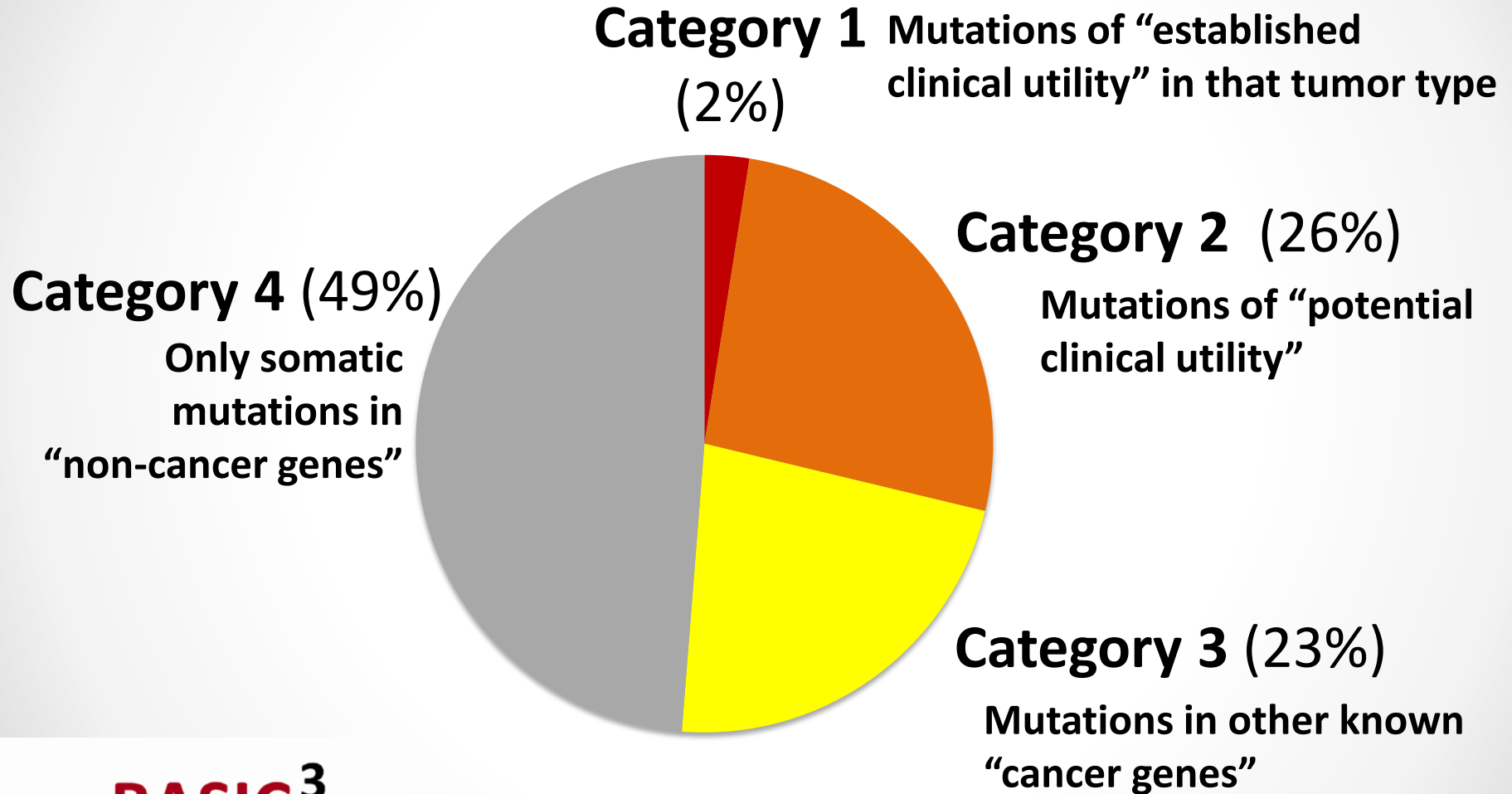


# Diagnostic yield by initial diagnosis (Germline analyses)

	<i>Cases</i>	<i>(+)</i>	<i>Possible</i>	<i>(-)</i>	<i>Yield</i>
Cancer (Pediatric)	115	11	10	94	18%
Cancer (Adult)	109	9	25	75	31%
Dysmorphology	41	10	7	24	41%
Heart Disease	48	10	11	27	44%
Bilateral sensorineural hearing loss	24	3	8	13	46%
Neurological Diagnosis	108	24	27	57	47%
Retinal	41	8	13	20	51%
Preconception (Carrier)	7	5	0	2	71%

# Pediatric Solid Tumor exome results

Highest category somatic mutation found per patient (n=81)



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BCM Advancing Sequencing  
Into Childhood Cancer Care





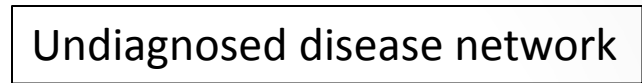
# A major focus on ELSI from the onset

- Informed consent :
  - analysis across sites
  - formulation of specific recommendations for best practices
  - Factors influencing patient understanding & outcomes
- Incidental Findings
  - Frequency of “medically actionable” incidental findings: 3-6%
  - CSER sites input into ongoing ACMG policy formulation on return of results
  - Accruing data on what patients wish to know
- Collecting data on measures of patient satisfaction/distress with regard to both diagnostic findings and off-target results

# Going forward

Assessing the impact of sequencing findings across time and families:

- Of the patients with incidental findings, how many had clinical work-ups for the condition
- Of these patients how often were there phenotypic features of the genotype described.
- Derive initial cost-effectiveness assessments of the reporting of incidental findings.
- How are findings transmitted to family members
- Issues of re-interpretation of genomic data after the initial report



# Common issues

- EMR integration
- Return of results
- Actionability: target and incidental
- Data sharing concerns
- Longitudinal issues: what happens to patients over time? What happens when interpretation changes over time?



Genomic Medicine working group: meeting 6

# Opportunities for international collaborations



50 participants  
25 countries



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# Opportunities for international collaborations


- Evidence generation
- Health information technology
- Education/workforce development: Genomics professionals; bioinformatics expertise ; Other health professionals; Public
- Pharmacogenomics
- Policy: Data sharing and regulatory issues; Costs and benefits

# GM6: Clinical capabilities today and desired

Widely Available Clinical Capability	Today (%)	Desired in 3-5 Years (%)
Pharmacogenomics	11	56
Germline Sequencing	11	17
Tumor Sequencing	11	29
Rare Disease Diagnosis	6	17
Microbial Pathogen Identification	11	53
Systematic Family History	46	71
Genetic Counselors	30	77
Electronic Medical Record	30	94
Clinical Decision Support	33	94

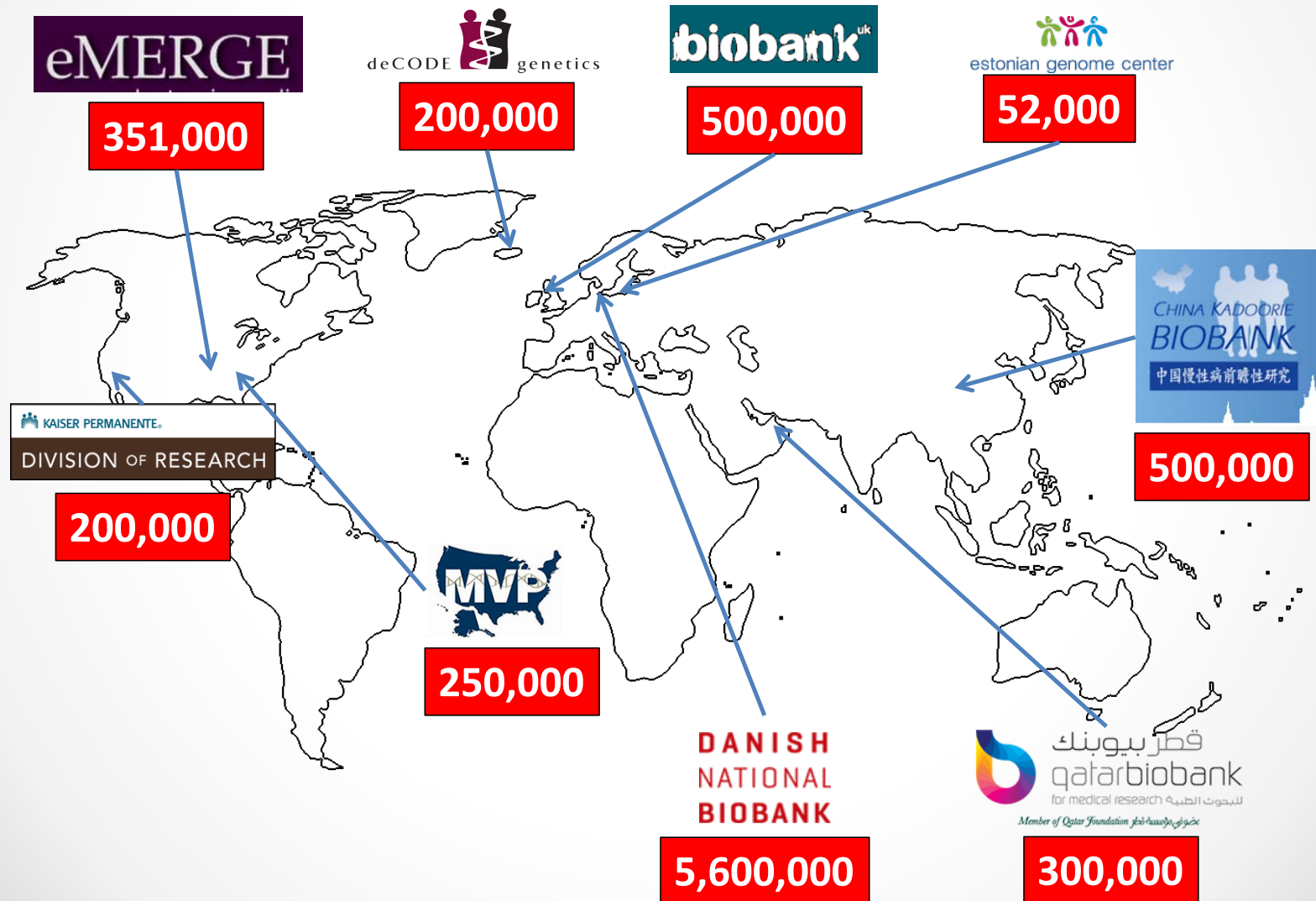
 < 33%

 34-66%

 > 66%



# What are the challenges? -1



# What are the challenges? -2

- Quality of data and analysis: what is the indication? Whole genome versus targeted. Beyond SNVs. identifying and using modifier variants
- What is an actionable variant? for the indication; incidental findings
- Understanding and interpreting variants
- Engaging patients: satisfaction, expectations, incidental findings. Privacy; consent
- Potential for poor and costly care if sequencing introduced inappropriately

# What are the challenges? -3

- outcomes (including cost effectiveness)
- diverse ancestries
- training
- expand scope to non-academic clinical settings
- implementation and integration in EMR environments
- mechanics of information generation and delivery; e.g. interacting with CAP
- need for large datasets linking genotypes and phenotypes
- Interfacing with regulators (e.g. FDA) and payers

# If NHGRI doesn't take coordinated action, the promise of genomic medicine will be delayed

## NHGRI imperatives – maximize benefit/minimize risk

- which patients, which targets.
- analysis of genomes for discovery and implementation
- accrual of Large genotype-phenotype datasets across ancestries to understand variant function
- work out the realities of implementation: consenting, EHR integration, patient and provider education, clinical decision support, follow-up...
- promoting analysis of economic and health outcomes