

FRANCE MÉDECINE
GÉNOMIQUE 2025

aviesan

GENOMIC MEDICINE IN FRANCE

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AN INTERNATIONAL ENDEAVOR

Genomic medicine is a field of international competition supported by national plan where:

- Clinical application is a common goal
- The development of economic sectors is a strategic issue



All started with :

TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

Le Premier Ministre

20017



Paris, le 17 AVR. 2015 1236

- 2) établir le positionnement de la France en matière de recherche, analyser la prise en compte de ces nouvelles technologies dans le cadre des plans nationaux (plans cancer, maladies neurodégénératives, maladies rares, ..) et proposer les priorités à mettre en œuvre, en cohérence avec la stratégie nationale de recherche et la stratégie nationale de santé ;
- 3) évaluer les enjeux en matière d'innovation et les impacts potentiels en terme de valorisation et de développement économique, en prenant en compte à la fois les aspects technologiques et la question de la gestion et de l'analyse à grande échelle de

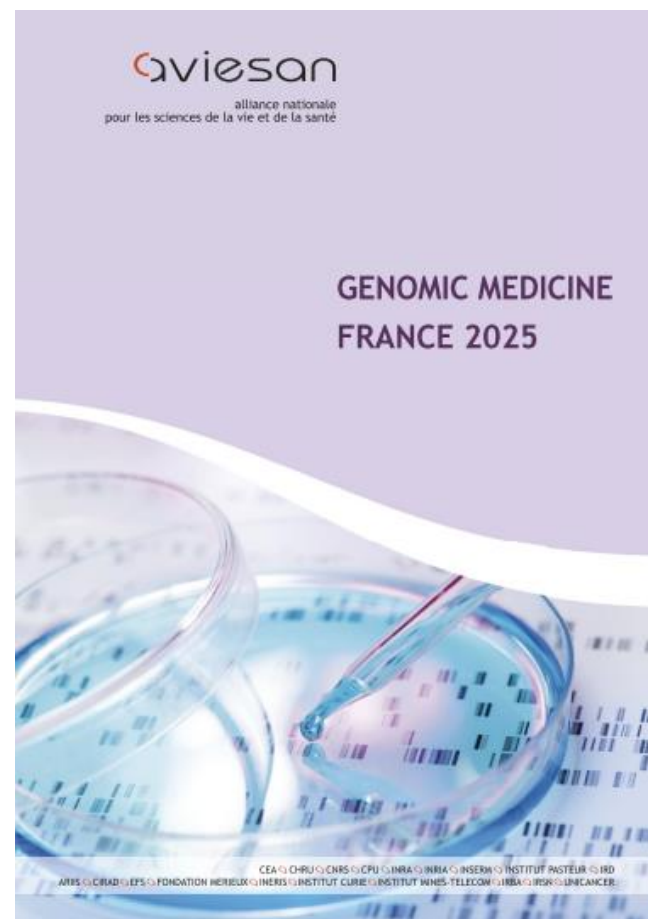
The Prime Minister entrusted Aviesan with the task of examining the current landscape for incorporating genome sequencing in the context of the healthcare pathway by touching on the following four points in his mission statement:

1. Defining the presence and importance of genomic sequencing in current medical practices as well as expected future developments in the coming 10 years.
2. Evaluating France's positioning in the field of genomic research and its role in current health plans and priorities to be implemented in line with national strategies for health and research
3. Evaluating the issues related to innovation and technology transfer and economic growth, taking into account technological aspects, management of large data sets and ethical implications.
4. Proposing a long-term medico-economic model integrating coverage by medical insurance and the establishment of an industrial sector to support such an initiative.

A Co-CONSTRUCTED NATIONAL PLAN

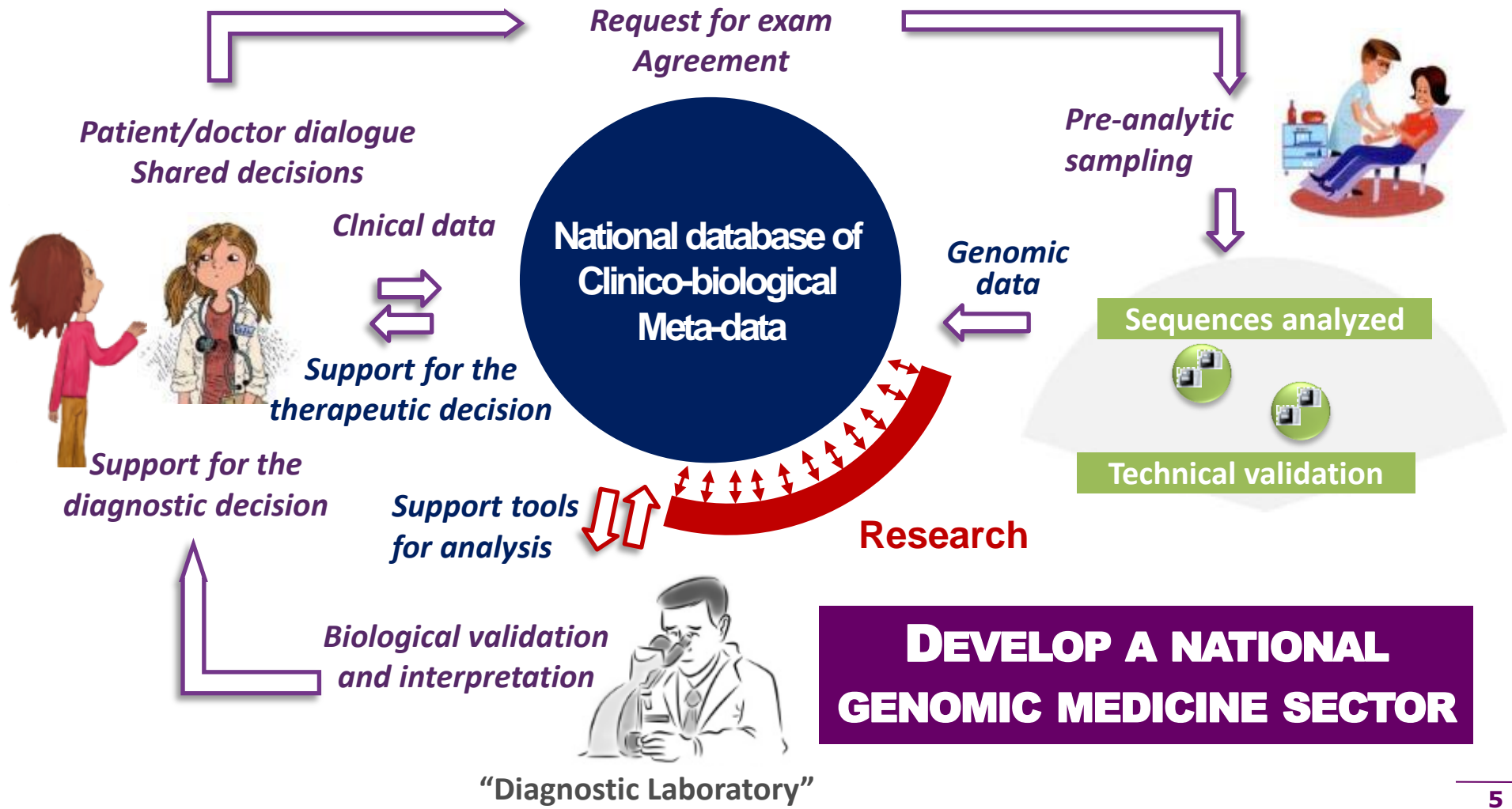
More than 160 people mobilized under an Aviesan presidency

- Institutional representatives
- transversal competences across fields of research, health and industry
- Research and health agencies
- Central administrations of ministries
- Health industries representatives (Ariis, IT,...)
- National Insurance Fund Salaried Workers (CNAMTS)
- French National Authority for Health (HAS)
- SGPI
- Toulouse School of Economics...



AMBITION OF THE FRENCH GENOMIC MEDICINE PLAN 2025

**INTEGRATE SEQUENCING INTO A
GENERIC HEALTHCARE PATHWAY**



A PLAN ORGANIZED AROUND 3 MAJOR OBJECTIVES – 14 ACTIONS

**I- SET UP THE TOOLS FOR A GENOMIC
HEALTHCARE PATHWAY**

**II- ENSURE THESE DEVELOPMENTS IN A SAFE
TECHNICAL & ETHICAL FRAMEWORK**

**III - IMPLEMENT MONITORING AND MANAGEMENT
TOOLS**

Interministerial steering committee

Composition : Prime Minister Office, Ministers' Offices (Research, Health, Industry), National Health Care Insurance system (CNAMTS), French National Authority for Health (HAS), Patient Communities, Health industries representatives.

Mission : To ensure the realization of the plan by mobilizing partners and fundings; to implement and adapt objectives.

Once or twice a year



Monitoring committee

Composition : the pilots of each action and the institutions and agencies involved.

Mission : To follow the main actions of the plan.



Once per trimester



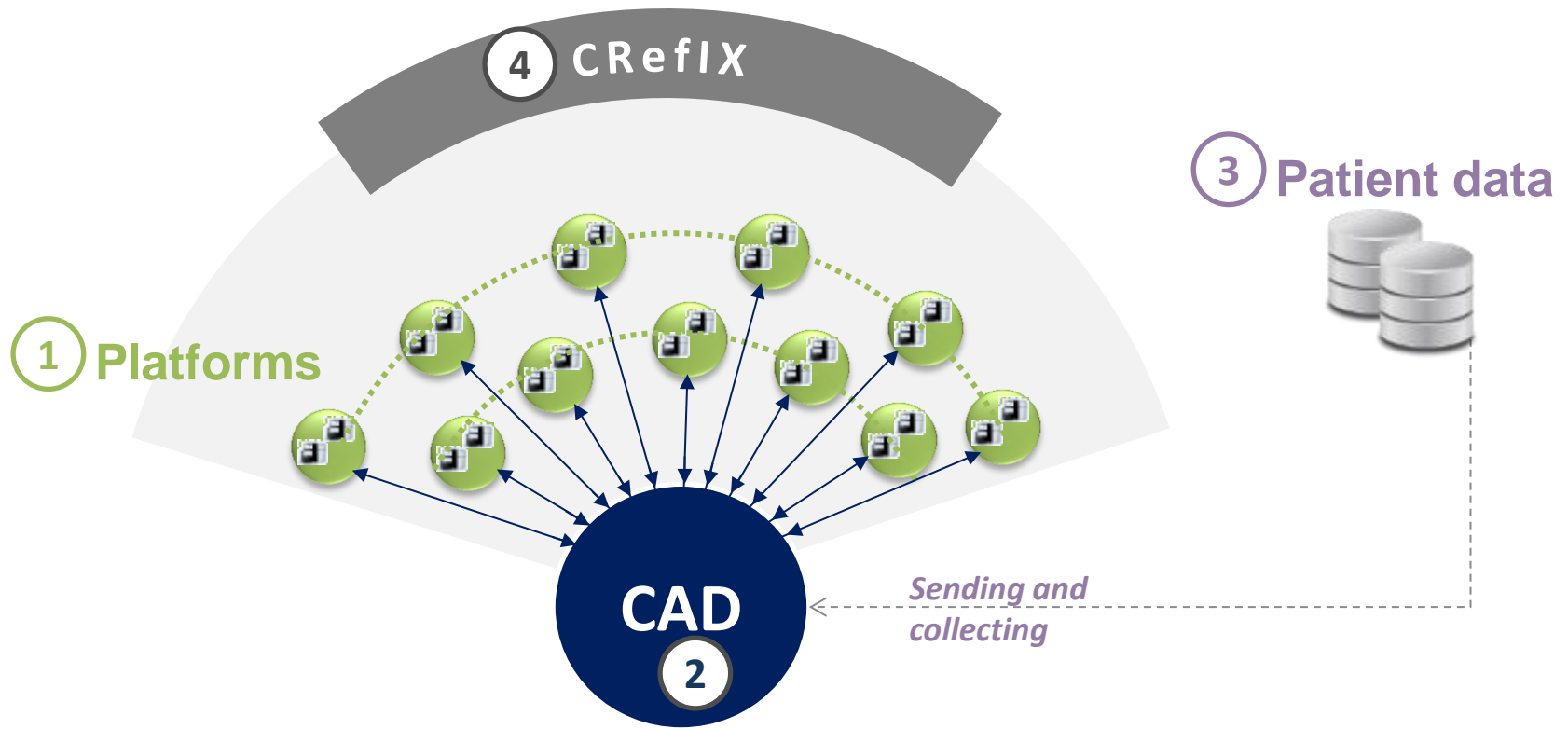
Once a month

Operational committee

day-by-day basis

Composition : the pilots of each action.

Mission : To conduct individual action in a



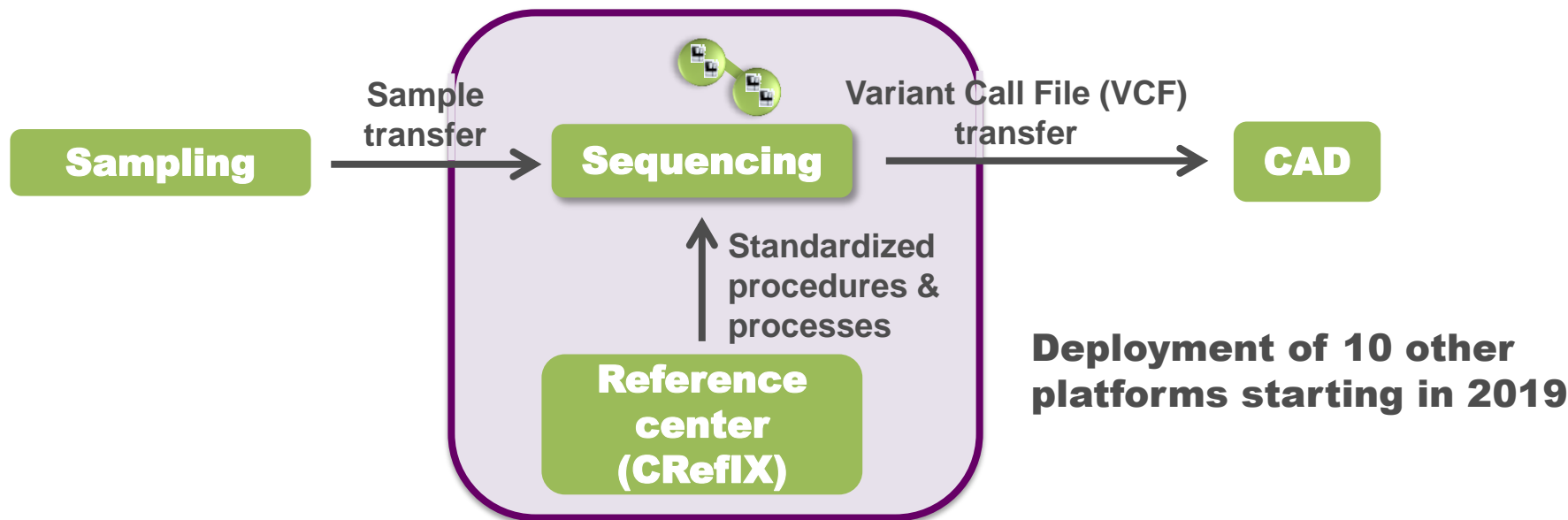
Action ① - Creation of a network of sequencing platforms

Action ② - Creation of a Central Analyzer of Data (CAD) to process and use the volume of data generated

Action ③ - Allow the integration and use of patient data in the healthcare pathway

Action ④ - Set up a center of reference, innovation, expertise and transfer : CREFIX

CREATION OF A NETWORK OF SEQUENCING PLATFORMS

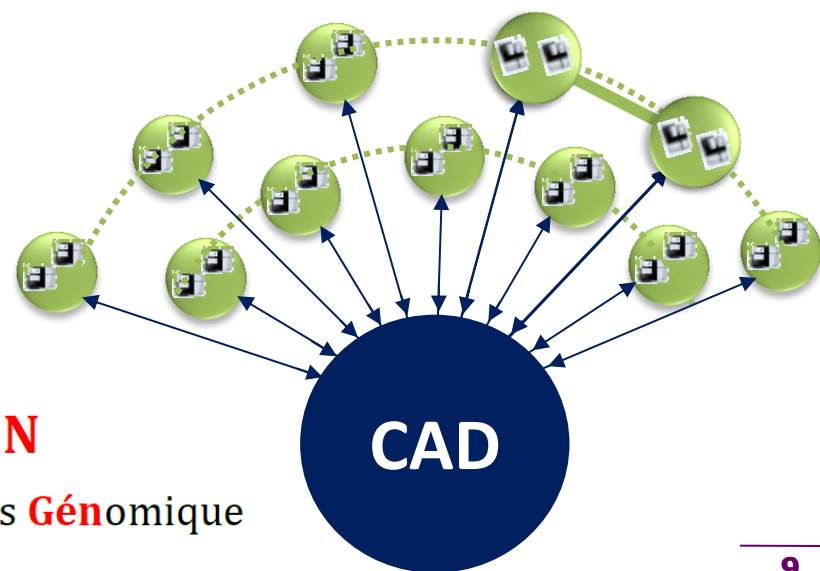


2018

SeqOIA
LA PLATEFORME GÉNOMIQUE
DE PARIS RÉGION

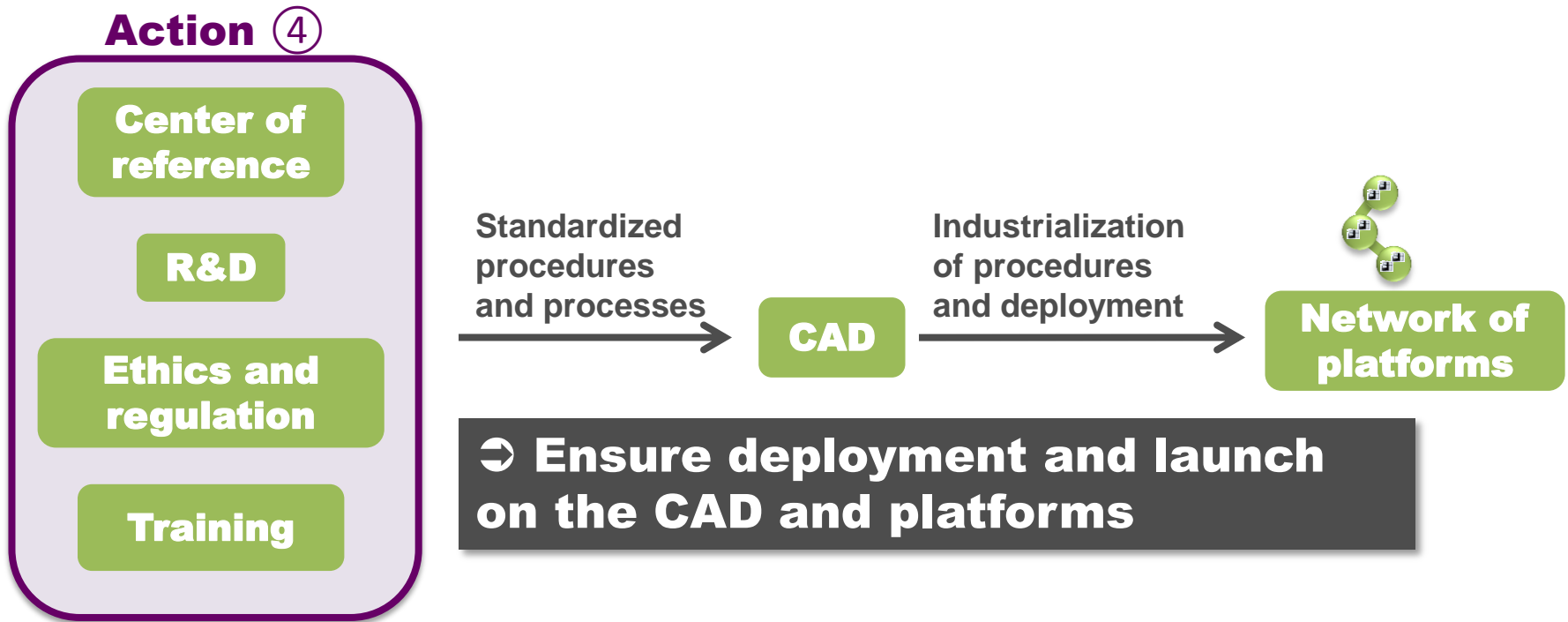
2018

AURAGEN
AUvergne Rhône-Alpes Génomique



CREFIX : CENTER OF REFERENCE, INNOVATION, EXPERTISE AND TRANSFER

⇒ Ensure technological and informatics developments



⇒ Ensure deployment and launch on the CAD and platforms

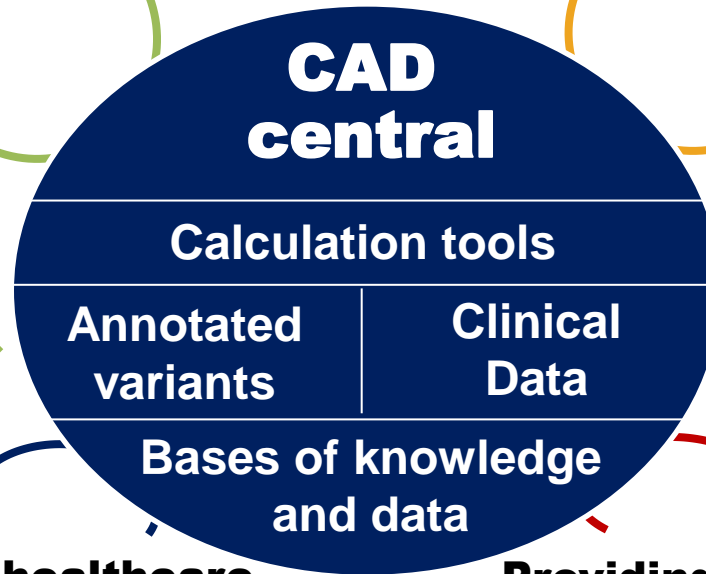
Process development and harmonization of protocols and methods

CAD : A SERVICE PROVIDER INFRASTRUCTURE

Providing services to the platforms and health professionals



Providing services to industry



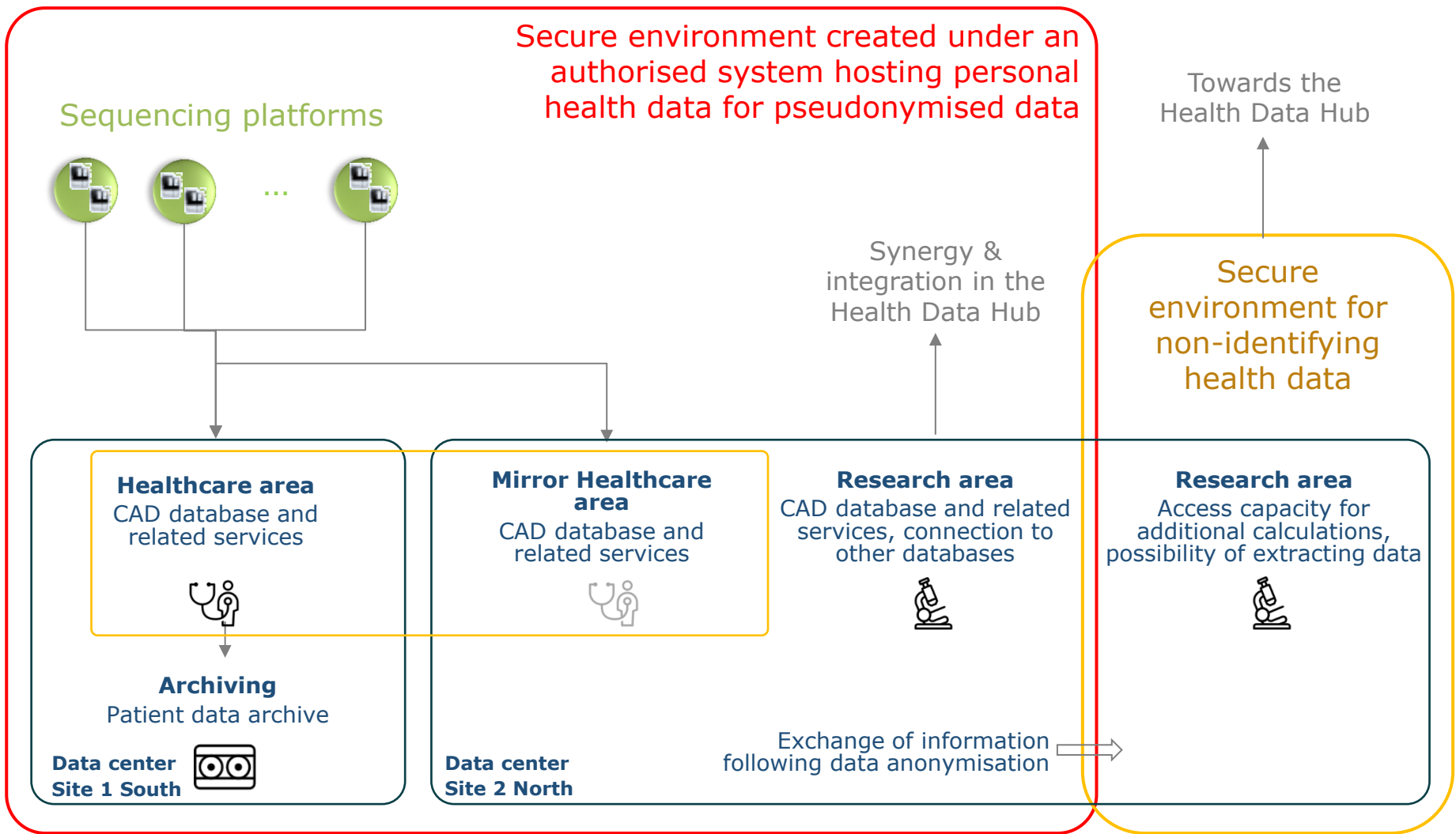
Providing services to healthcare

- Patient Data Access Service
- Access service to databases for the analysis steps
- Access service to analytical tools
- Access service to genome visualization and comparison tools
- Access service to decision support tools
- Data reanalysis service
- Secure web service for interaction between healthcare professionals using the CAD
- Version Management Service

Providing services to Research

- Reception service for research project submissions
- Help desk and project design consultancy
- Access service to data catalogs and datasets
- Service Access to Software Tool Libraries
- Access service to virtual machines
- Re-analysis service for research
- CAD researchers interaction web service
- Monitoring and methodological consulting service

CAD : A SERVICE PROVIDER INFRASTRUCTURE



Patient information and consent

- **Methodology**
 - Hearing of national and international stakeholders
 - Collecting different clinical care/research frameworks (information and consent, including incidental findings)
 - Exchanges/confrontations with pilot projects
- **Working group:** Researchers (included human and social sciences), Ministries (Health, Justice), Patient/user associations, Different institutional levels (Health insurance, Health Agencies), Professional and scientific genetic societies

Data protection : storage, security, privacy and processing modalities of personal data resulting from sequencing

Human and Social Sciences researches

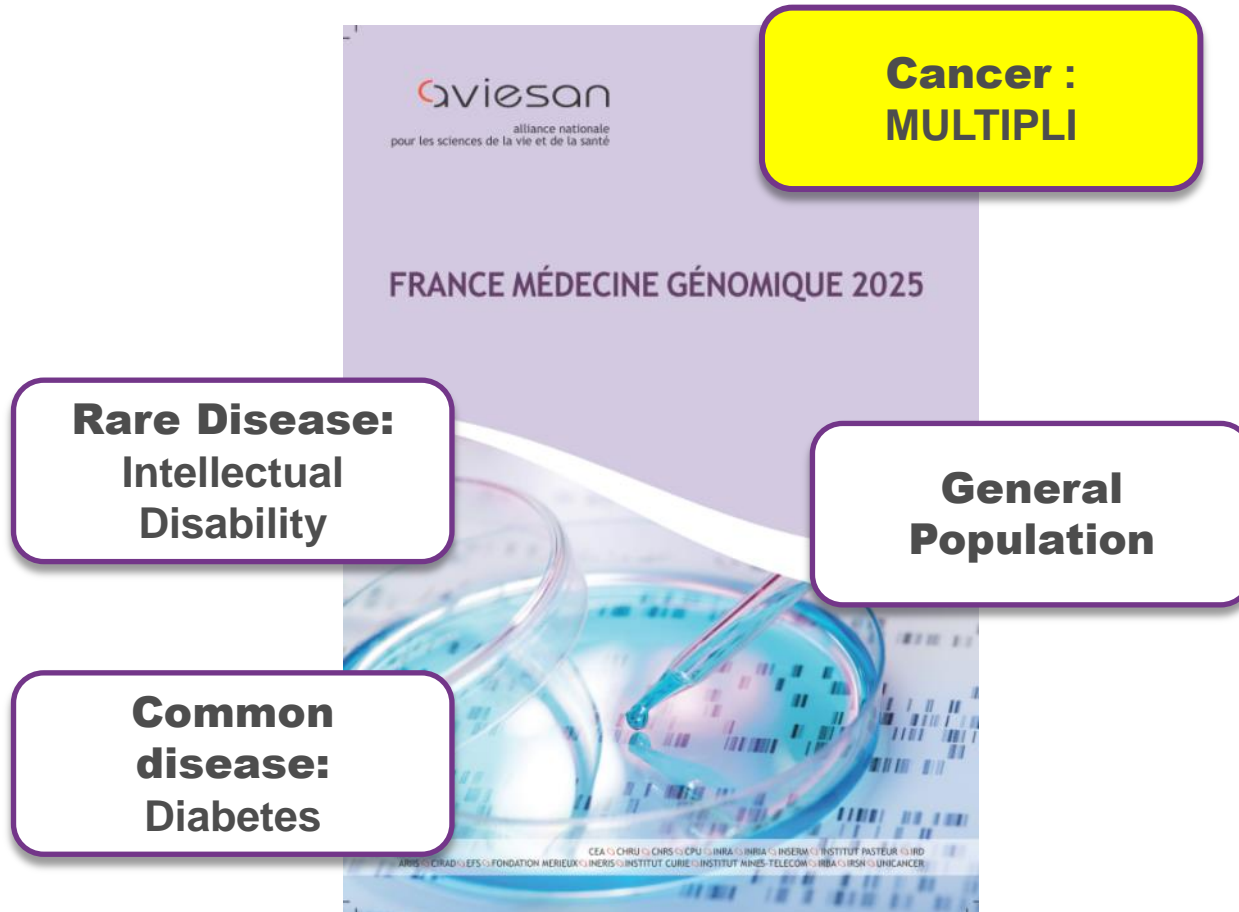
But also

- National advisory bioethics Committee
- Involvement in the structuration of a Precision Medicine observatory
- Dissemination to the public (exhibitions, European Open Science Forum (Toulouse July 2018), website)

OVERCOME BARRIERS

ENCOUNTERED ALONG THE PATHWAY

4 CLINICAL PILOT PROJECTS



Clinical Pilot Projects



Four pilot projects have been initiated

Methodology and statistics

Regulatory aspects

Initiation of clinical study

- Goal
- Investigators identification
- Inclusion criteria
- WES / WGS Sequencing
- Number of patients to be included.
- Record of clinical data modalities
- Data transfers (in & out) and analysis
- Biological specifications : samples taking, labelling and transfer
- Clinical reports modalities
- Information modalities and informed consent
- Quality (Study monitoring, storage, archiving, anonymization and safeguarding data)
- Regulatory file submission

Soft-tissue sarcomas and advanced colorectal cancer

Multipli => Cancer

Intellectual disability

DefiDiag => Rare disease

Atypical type 2 Diabetes

Glucogene => Commun disease

PopGen => General population

MULTIPLI program

- Previous precision medicine studies:
 - conventional molecular techniques and/or limited sets of gene alterations
 - limited access to innovative drugs
- 1st clinical research program implementing exome seq and RNAseq for therapeutic decision
- Main Objective: **Assess the feasibility of high throughput molecular analyses (NGS)**
 - **Interpretable** results
 - **Validated** genomic results and **clinical recommendation from the Molecular Tumour Board within 6 weeks** after reception of blood and tumor samples on the two platforms



MULTIPLI program

Patients with Advanced Soft Tissue Sarcoma
or metastatic Colorectal Cancers
National Cooperative Groups
2,396 patients (960+1,436 patients)

Subsequent randomised
MULTISARC
ACOMPLI trials

Biopsy

1st line chemotherapy

Targetable alteration,
STS: PD, SD and/or responding
mCRC: SD and/or responding

No targetable alteration,
Not eligible for subsequent trials

NGS
(Exome, RNA
Seq)

Molecular
Tumour
Board

Standard Treatment and
Follow-up

2 Biopathological platforms (INCa)
1 NGS platform (France Medecine Genomic Groups)
1 Bioinformatic Platform

MULTIPLI

International Scientific Advisory Board

Executive Committee

Clinical Monitoring Committee

CONSORTIUM

Public/private
partnership

Inserm **Transfert**

Pharma Partners



Project coordination



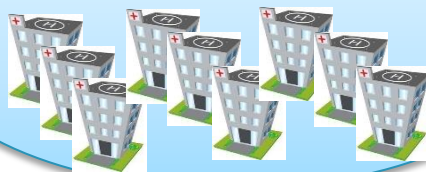
Clinical Trials Unit
Inserm CIC 1401



Safety Dpt



Clinical Trial Sites



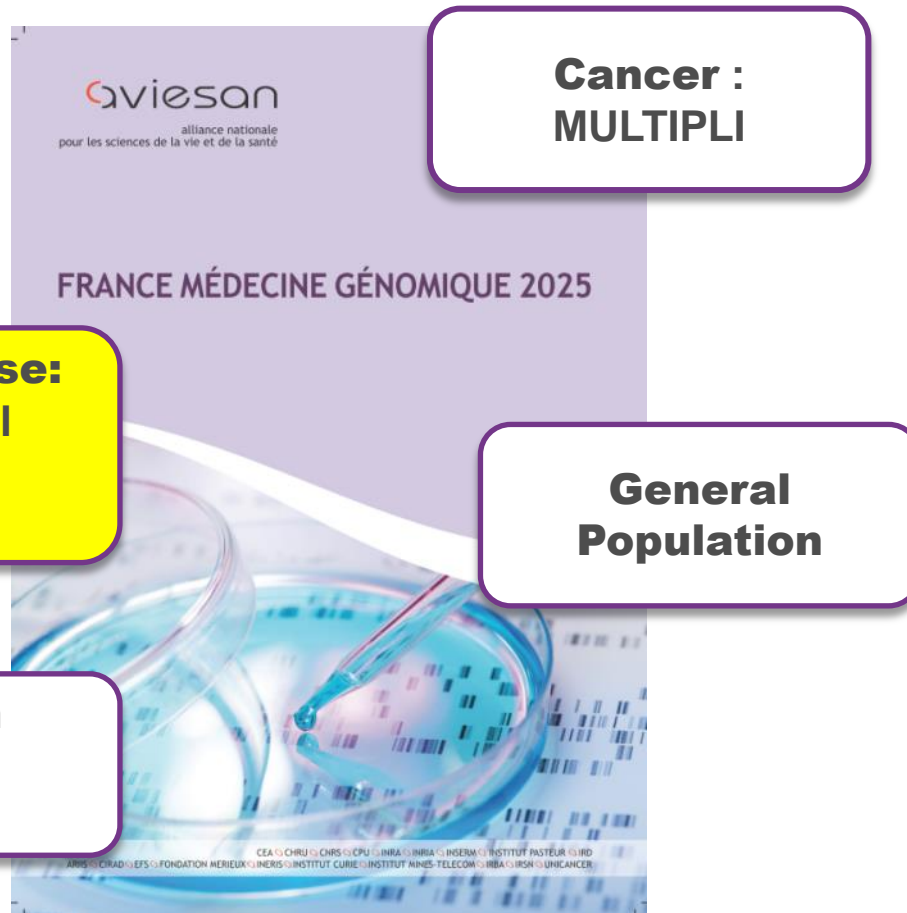
Laboratories



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PILOT STUDY:



Medical and Economical Evaluation of Whole GENOME Sequencing in Healthcare Pathway of Patients with Rare Diseases

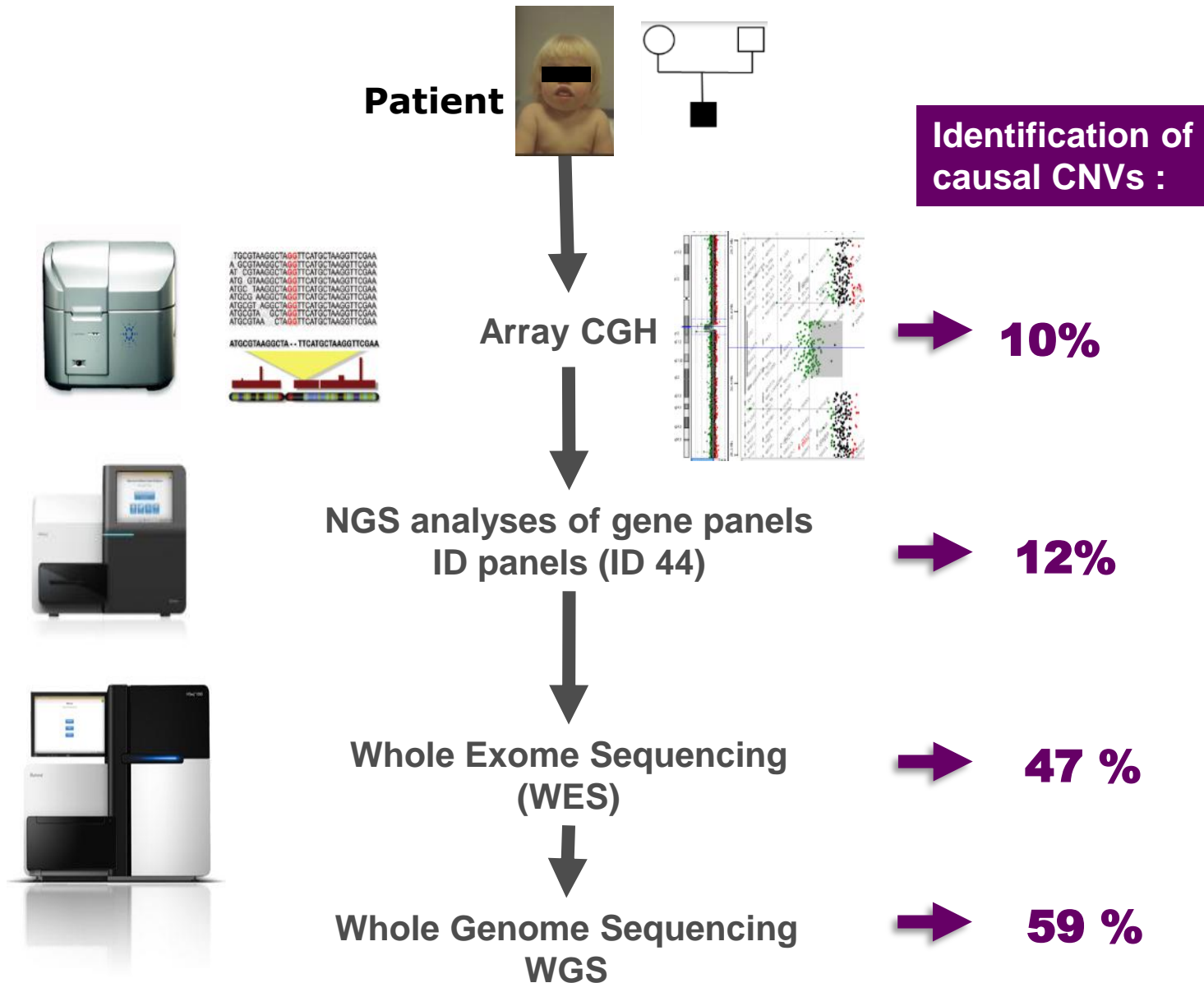


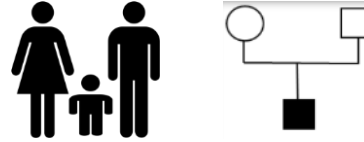
The Intellectual Deficiency Paradigm => the **DEFIDIAG « PILOT »**:
Frequency ID 1-3% - Most common cause of referral in clinical genetics -
High need to cut down patient odyssee - Highly heterogeneous (clinical presentation, numerous genes)

DEFIDIAG OPERATIONAL Steering COMMITTEE

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ID DIAGNOSTIC YIELD





Evaluation of WGS as a first line tool to improve diagnostic performance for ID

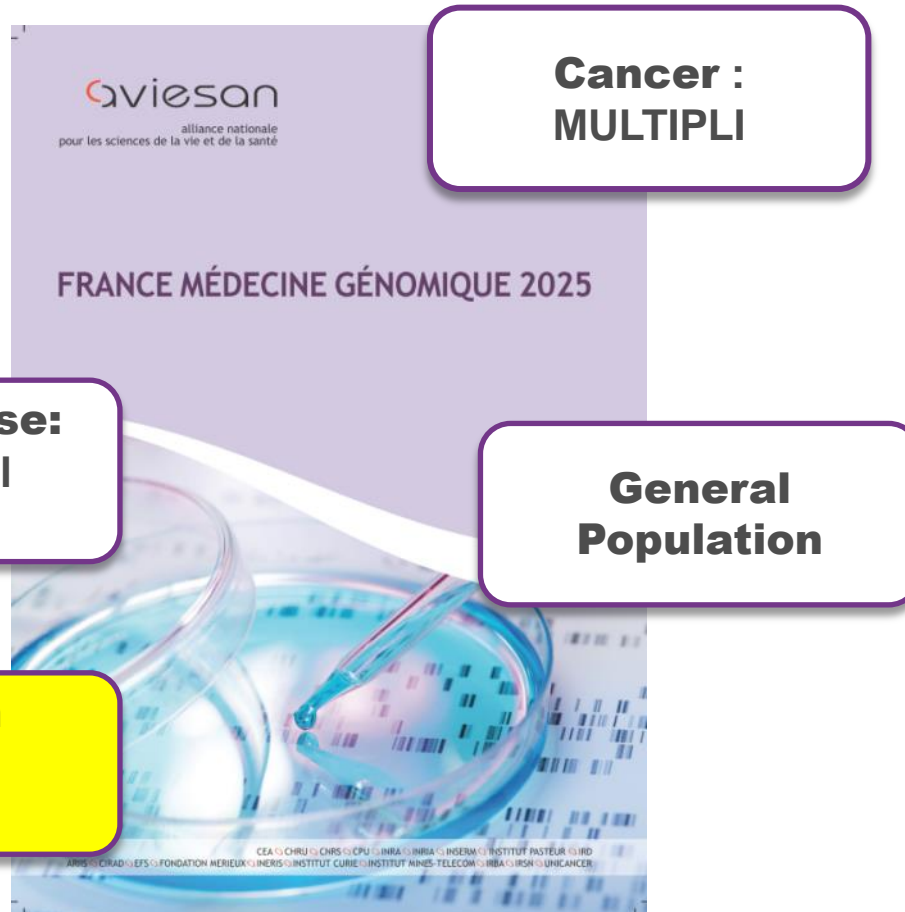
DEFIDIAG aims to :

- 1° Show the **feasibility** of WGS implementation in France with ID as a paradigm for Rare diseases
- 2° Identify the **best strategy** for optimal and **efficient** genetic diagnosis for ID
- 3° Demonstrate the **cost effectiveness** and **cost benefit** of WGS for ID
- 4° Show the **benefits on the outcome** of patients /parents (including SF)
- 5° Cut down the **diagnostic odyssey**

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DIABETES CLASSIFICATION

**World
epidemy**

**2nd diabetes
epidemy**

**DIABETES
de type 1**

OTHERS

**type 2
DIABETES**

Autoantibodies
[DNA]
[insulitis]

Biological markers

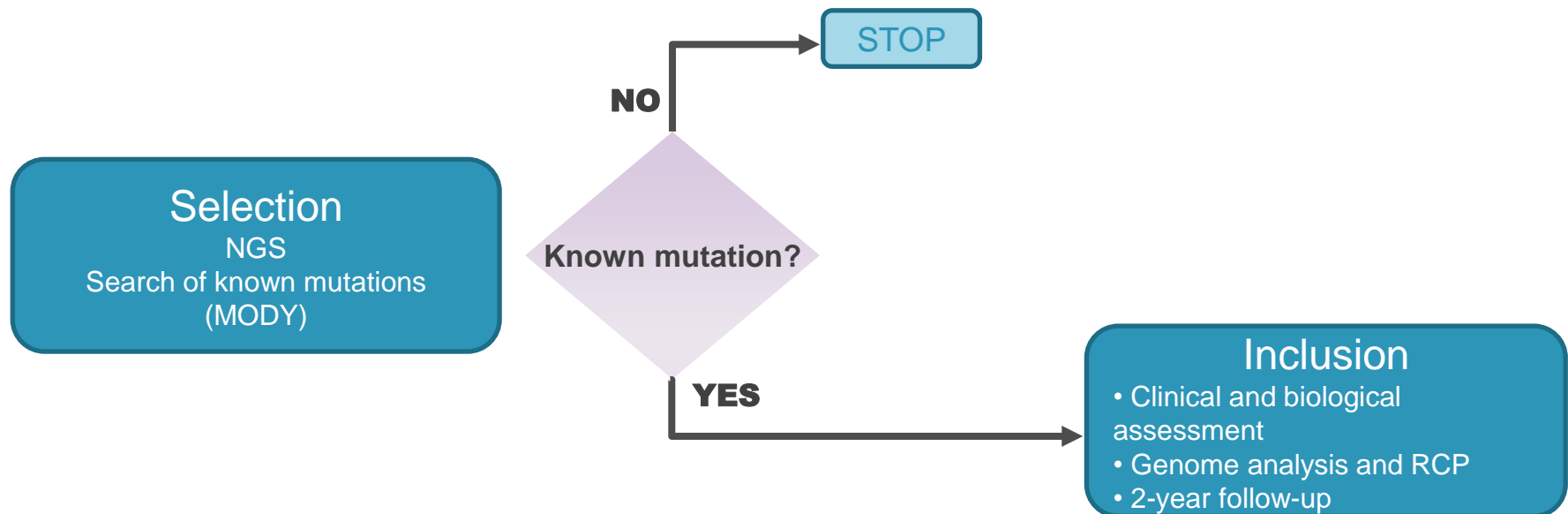
DNA
hormones
insulin secretion
pancreatic imaging



Main objective : to assess the contribution of whole genome sequencing and multidisciplinary meeting (i.e. geneticist + diabetologist) on diagnosis and care of atypical forms of diabetes

Secondary objectives :

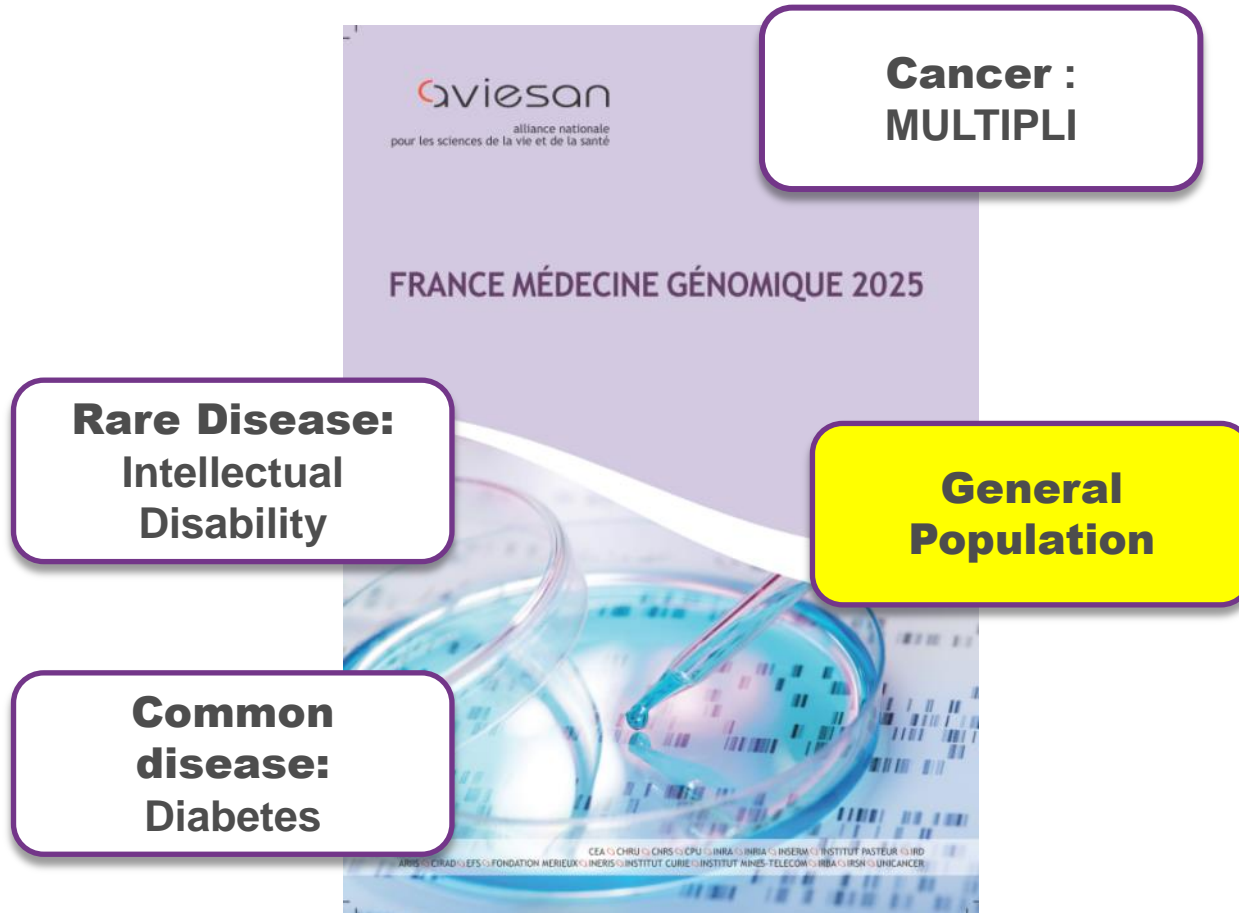
- To assess the feasibility of whole genome sequencing in clinical practice
- To identify new mutations responsible for diabetes development
- To determine phenotypic characteristics according to the presence or absence of identified genomic variation and define phenotype-genotype integrated diagnostic markers.
- To evaluate treatment failure according to patient genotype
- To evaluate the occurrence of long-term complications associated with diabetes according to patient genotype



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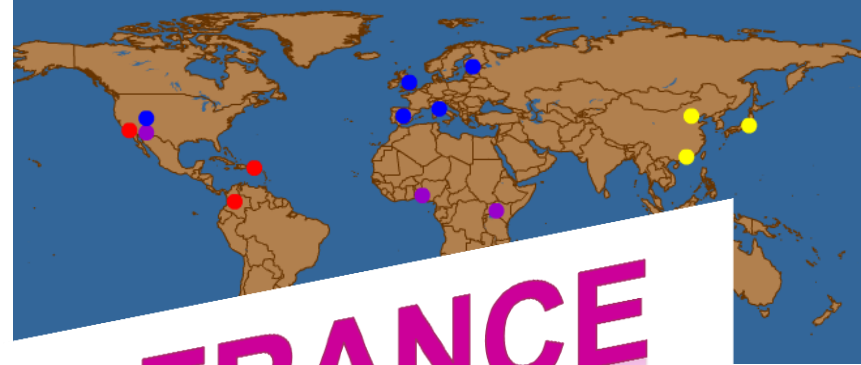
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PUBLIC DATABASES

■ 1000 Genome Project

1092 sequenced individuals
from 14 populations worldwide
(low coverage (2-6X) whole-genome sequence data
targeted deep (50-100X) exome sequence data
and dense SNP genotype data)



■ Exome Variant Server

NHLBI GO Exome Sequencing Project
6,400 individuals (4,000 Europeans and 2,200 African Americans)

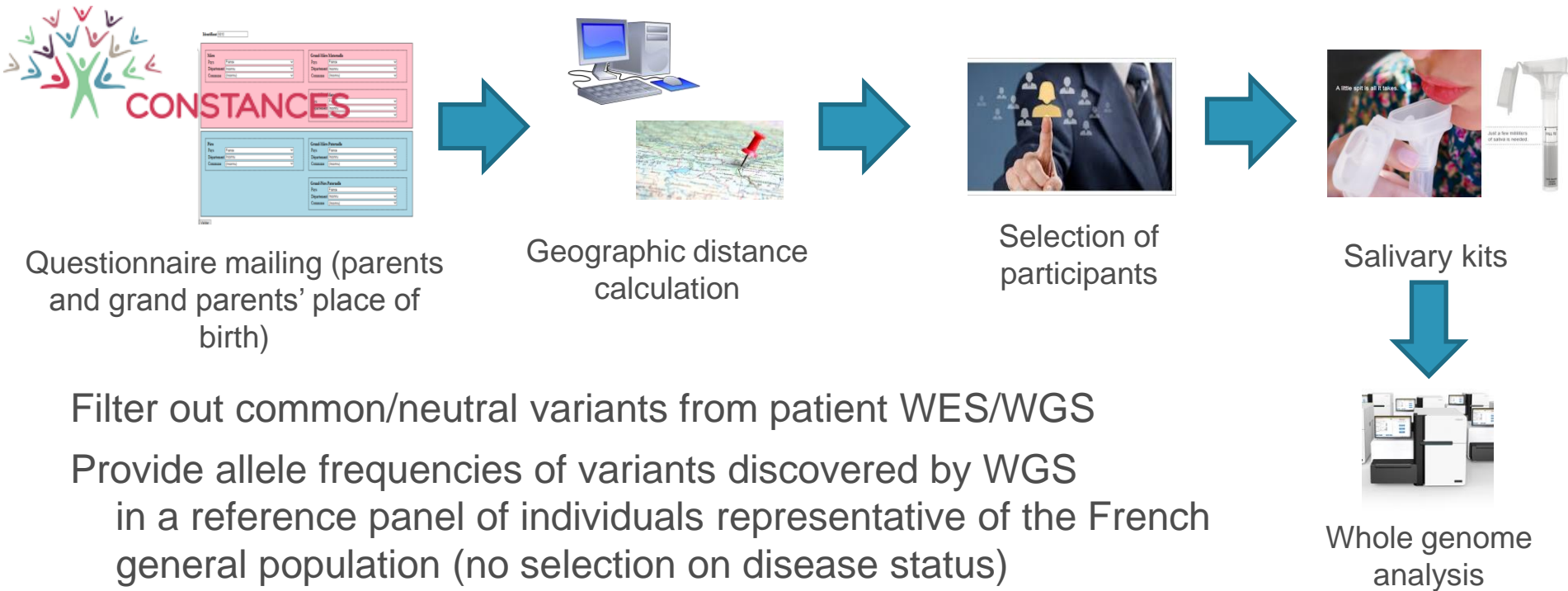
NO DATA FROM FRANCE

■ Exome Aggregation Consortium (ExAC)

Coalition of investigators seeking to aggregate and harmonize exome sequencing data from a wide variety of large-scale sequencing projects, and to make summary data available for the wider scientific community
60,706 individuals

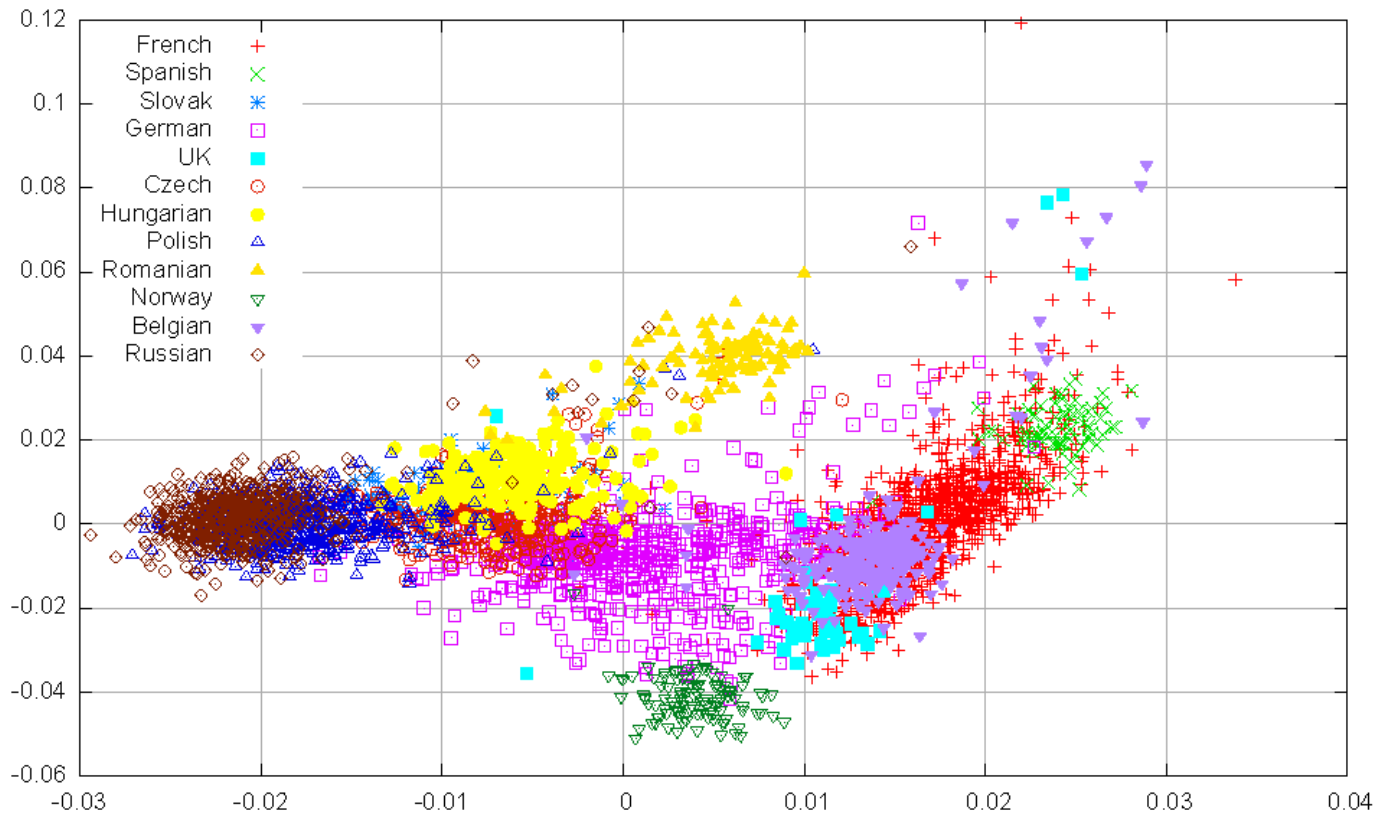
Main objectives:

- To answer the needs in terms of exome and genome « filtering » from common genetic variants in general population
- To provide a reference on the frequency of the genetic variants in a representative sample of the general French population

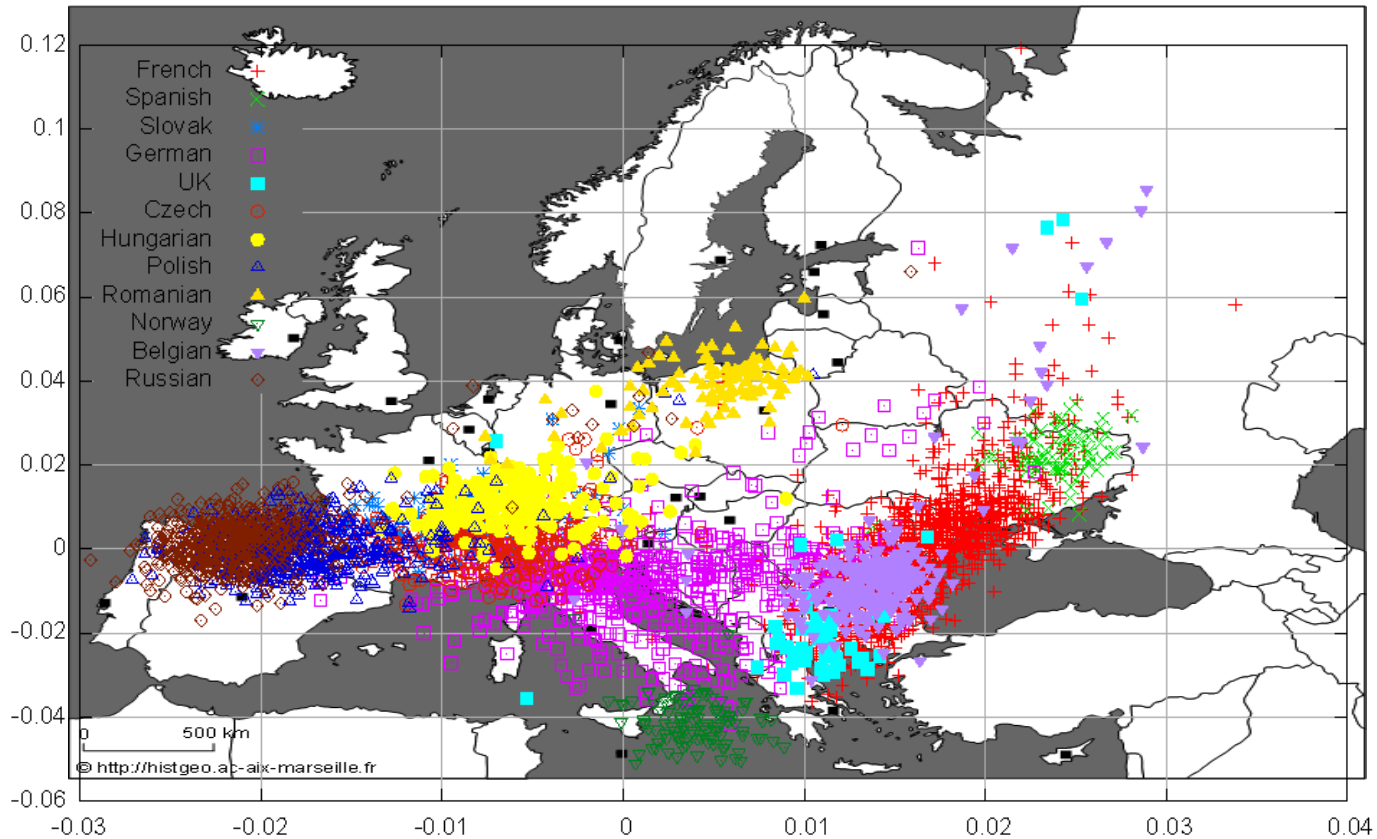


ALLELE FREQUENCY DIFFERENCES IN EUROPE

5,811 individuals from 12 European populations
121,242 SNPs

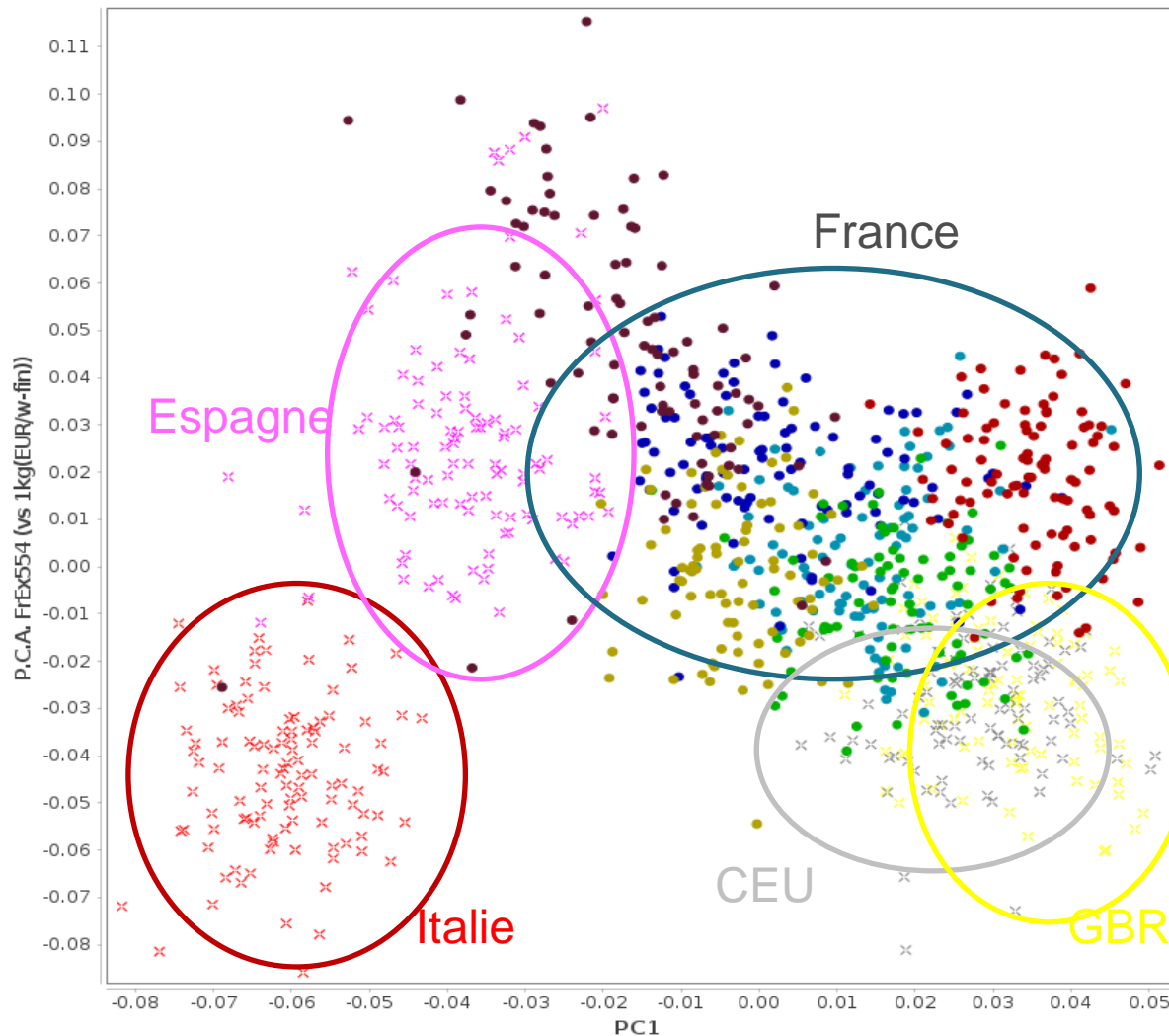


ALLELE FREQUENCIES MIRROR GEOGRAPHY



THE FREX PANEL COMPARED TO EUROPEAN REFERENCE PANELS

- BORDEAUX
- BREST
- DIJON
- LILLE
- NANTES
- ROUEN
- ✕ EUR(CEU)
- ✕ EUR(GBR)
- ✕ EUR(IBS)
- ✕ EUR(TSI)



FREX
573 exomes
6 regions



E. Genin

The 14 action measures are currently active:

- The first 2 sequencing platforms are in the start-up phase
- The first 14 clinical indications have been defined
- A technical scenario has been defined for the CAD
- The CRefiX recruits & accompanies the future clinical preindications in order to overcome several technological obstacles
- Two Pilot projects have started in 2018
- A mid-term report has been delivered concerning the training action measure
- WG « ethics, regulatory aspects and society » accompanies the sequencing platforms on the patient consents
- The pharmaceutical industry sector is mobilized and part of this initiative
- Dissemination actions have been implemented
- Medico-economic assessments have been launch are ongoing.



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