

## The Canadian path from discovery to implementation of personalized medicine approaches

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## Towards the Personalized Health Initiative

2012



#### Personalized Medicine Initiative

- Enhance health outcomes through patient stratification approaches by integrating evidence-based medicine and precision diagnostics into clinical practice
- \$240M (\$85M from CIHR)
- 110 competition and application partners, including Genome Canada



#### eHealth Innovation Initiative

- Enhance health outcomes and health care delivery, through the implementation, evaluation and scale-up of eHealth innovations
- \$34.4M (\$16.2M from CIHR)
- 77 application partners



#### Personalized Health Initiative

- Drive evidence-based implementation of PH that will identify solutions that can contribute to more cost-effective and sustainable healthcare
- Investments currently planned : \$82M (\$61M from CIHR)
- Alignment with IC PerMed



#### Discoveries for life

## **Genomics and Personalized Health:**

2012 Large-Scale Applied Research Project Competition



CIHR/Genome Canada partnership: One of the most significant public sector investment in PM

• Research projects span various areas including cancer, rare diseases, epilepsy, inflammation, HIV, cardiovascular disease and autism

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<b>Genome</b> Canada

Investment: over \$165M

• \$68.8M CIHR/GC investment with more than 1:1 match from outside sources

#### Projects funded: 17

- 15 large-scale applied research projects with integrated genomics, ethical, environmental, economic, legal, social (GE3LS) components
- 2 large-scale GE3LS research projects

CIHR's contribution was made available by the following Institutes (IG, ICR, ICRH, INMHA, III, INMD & IHSPR) & Initiatives (HIV/AIDS & Breast Cancer)

## **Canadian Success Stories**

• International consortium grouping samples and expertise on high grade astrocytomas

Childhood Astrocytoma Novel Genomics and Epi

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- Identified recurrent driver mutations affecting DNA structure, now part of WHO test recommendations
- Developed an oncopanel now used in clinical trials and CLIA certified





- Recruited over 3000 patients and family members to study
- Studied 637 different rare diseases
- Have provided a diagnosis to over 1000 patients
- Have identified 85 novel rare disease genes
- Are developing three experimental therapies
- Contribute to international data sharing standards
  <sup>21 Sites</sup>





## **Canadian Success Stories**



- PErsonalized Genomics for prenatal Aneuploidy Screening USing maternal blood
- Develop evidence-base to make informed value-based decisions about implementation of genomics-based non-invasive prenatal testing (NIPT)
- Recruited 3,819 pregnant woman
- Demonstrated that implementation of NIPT as a second tier test, followed by amniocentesis if NIPT is abnormal, would be cost neutral in Québec
- Tackled the ethical, social and legal implications of implementing NIPT in Canada
- Collaborated with a working group on NIPT from the government of Québec



## **Rare Diseases Research Catalyst Network**

#### Creation of a national network in 2014 organized to:

- Identify Canadian model expertise relevant to newly discovered disease genes
  - Funded research projects focus on functional validation
  - Enhance clinical translation
    - Develop and implement innovative knowledge translation strategies/activities to link clinical genetics & model research communities

#### Investment: \$2.3 M CIHR-IG in partnership with GC

Principal Investigators	Title of Project
Philip A. Hieter (UBC)	Canadian "Rare Diseases: Models & Mechanisms"
Kym Boycott (CHEO)	Network (RDMM)
Janet Rossant (SickKids)	

http://webapps.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/cfdd/db\_search?p\_language=E&p\_competition=201404RCN



**Genome**Canada





Nature Medicine 2015; 21: 1242



#### QUICK STATISTICS

- Genes Added: 6643
- ✓ Number of researchers registered: 499
- Number of researchers registered with genes: 323
- ✓ Number of genes added unique: 5604
- Number of Connections Supported: 78

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#### NANS-mediated synthesis of sialic acid is required for brain and skeletal development

Clara D M van Karnebeck<sup>1,2,28</sup>, Luisa Bonafé<sup>3,28</sup>, Xiao-Yan Wen<sup>4,5,28</sup>, Maja Tarailo-Graovac<sup>2,6</sup>, Sara Balzano<sup>7</sup>, Beryl Royer-Bertrand<sup>3,7</sup>, Angel Ashikov<sup>8</sup>, Livia Garavell<sup>19</sup>, Isabella Mammi<sup>10</sup>, Licia Turolla<sup>11</sup>, Catherine Breen<sup>12</sup>, Dian Donnal<sup>12</sup>, Valeric Cormierl<sup>3</sup>, Delphine Heron<sup>13</sup>, Gen Nishimura<sup>14</sup>, Shinichi Uchikawa<sup>15</sup>, Belinda Campos-Xavier<sup>3</sup>, Antonio Rossi<sup>16</sup>, Thierry Hennet<sup>17</sup>, Koroboshka Brand-Arzamend<sup>14,5</sup>, Jacob Rozmus<sup>1</sup>, Keith Harshman<sup>18</sup>, Brian J Stevenson<sup>19</sup>, Enrico Girardi<sup>20</sup>, Giulio Superti-Furga<sup>20,21</sup> Tammie Dewan<sup>1</sup>, Alissa Collingridge<sup>1</sup>, Jessie Halparin<sup>1</sup>, Colin J Ross<sup>1,2,6</sup>, Margot I Van Allen<sup>6</sup>, Andrea Rossi<sup>22</sup>, Udo F Engelke<sup>23</sup>, Leo A J Kluijtmans<sup>23</sup>, Ed van der Heeft<sup>23</sup>, Herma Renkema<sup>23</sup>, Arjan de Brouwer<sup>24</sup>, Karin Huijben<sup>23</sup>, Fokje Zijlstra<sup>23</sup>, Thorben Heisse<sup>25</sup>, Thomas Boltje<sup>25</sup>, Wyeth W Wasserman<sup>2,6</sup>, Carlo Rivolta<sup>7</sup>, Sheila Unger<sup>26</sup>, Dirk J Lefeber<sup>8,23</sup>, Ron A Wevers<sup>23,29</sup>

van Karnebeek et al, Nature Genetics 2016; 48:777-784



## Towards a More Efficient Healthcare Ecosystem

Success will require integrating the perspectives of policy makers, health technology assessments, health care providers, regulators, researchers, and patients





#### **Discoveries for life**

#### Where are we?



T. Ryan Sigouin, Health Canada adapted by Inga Murawski CIHR-ICR and Etienne Richer CIHR-IG



#### How bold do we want to be?









## A wave of change: Implementing Precision Medicine in BC

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### The genomics enterprise in Canada

- 6 regional Genome Centres
- 10 Genomic Innovation Network Nodes
- 210+ large-scale research projects/initiatives funded across all sectors
- 45 High Qualified Personnel on average, per project
- 58+ companies created or enhanced







Genome BC cumulative investment in **145 projects • 53** active Total **\$352.5M**: Genome BC **\$69.3M** with co-investment **\$283.2M** 





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## 2017 Large Scale Applied Research Project Competition Stats

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 Silent Genomes: Improving diagnostics for Indigenous children
Laura Arbour, Nadine Caron, Wyeth Wasserman
Total Budget: \$10,399,812



 Go-PGx: Reducing adverse drug reactions (ADR) for children with cancer
Bruce Carleton, Colin Ross
Total Budget: \$10,517,507



• CanPREVENT: Preventing rejection and premature kidney transplant loss Paul Keown, Ruth Sapir-Pichhadze, Timothy Caulfield, Stirling Bryan Total Budget: \$9,671,756



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 Deciphering relapsed lymphoid cancers to improve patient management Christian Steidl, Marco Marra, David Scott Total Budget: \$11,926,360



 Childhood asthma and the microbiome: The CHILD\*study
Stuart Turvey, Michael Kobor, Brett
Finlay, Padmaja Subbarao
Total Budget: \$9,142,486



 GenCOUNSEL: Optimizing genetic counselling for clinical implementation
Alison Elliott, Bartha Knoppers, Larry Lynd, Jehannine Austin
Total Budget: \$4,237,284



2017 Large Scale Applied Research Project Competition in Precision Health



#### Genome BC Health Strategy





#### BC pharmacists leading precision medicine Researcher: Corey Nislow

Approximately 50% of all emergency department visits each year are due to adverse reactions to medications in adults aged 50 and over.

Across BC, 33 community pharmacies have taken part in North America's first project to implement pharmacogenomics allowing them to:

- Extract DNA from saliva, sequence and analyze the DNA
- Prescribe the right drug to the right patient at the right time and the right dose based on their genomic information







## Transformational potential of Pharmacogenomics





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## Crosscutting areas to accelerate implementation









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