

Finding Patients Through Genomic Sequencing

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Rare Disease

Rare Disease and Pediatrics



~50%
of rare diseases
impact children¹

In the NICU, birth defects or genetic conditions attribute to²⁻⁶



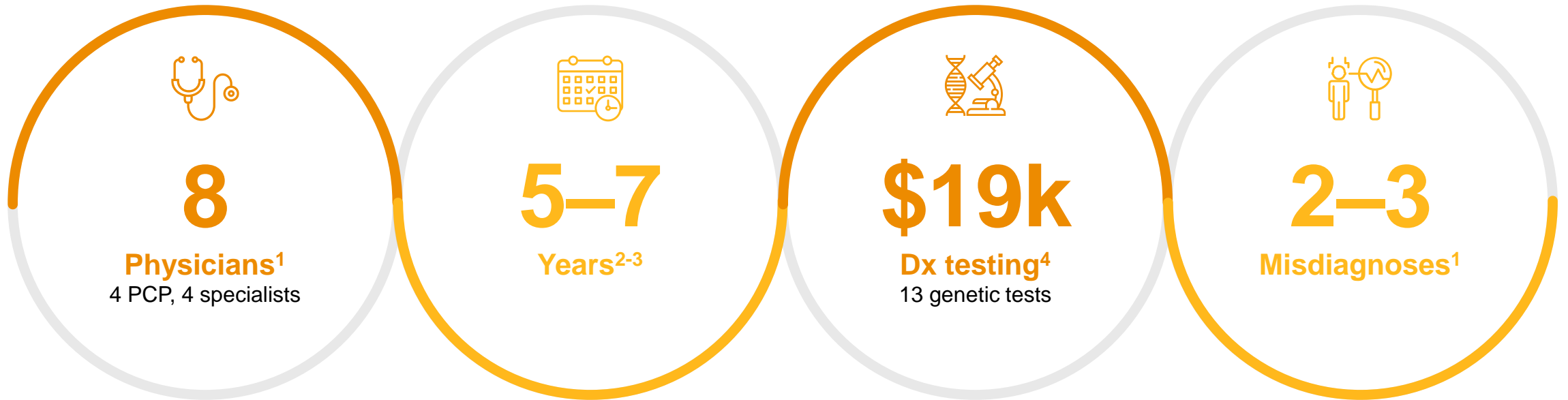
~30%
of all admissions



Up to **40%**
of all deaths

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The Diagnostic Journey is Long, Costly and Imposes Significant Burden on the Healthcare System



Identifying all the known rare and ultrarare diseases can remain a challenge even for the most experienced clinical specialists.

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RareX: Be Counted

Purpose

- Determine more accurate count of RD that resonates with communities
- Offer recommendations for RD communities

Findings

- RD Count
 - Conservative count of 10,867 RDs
 - 6,282 Orphanet + 2,065 OMIM + 2,520 OMIM with narrow match to Orphanet RD
 - 87% have a genetic or suspected genetic
 - Treatment options available for ~5%



Comparison of WGS to Standard Testing

Comparison of Genetic Testing

Single Gene Testing



Testing a single gene of interest

Targeted Sequencing



Testing a subset of genes related to a particular indication

Whole-Exome Sequencing



Testing the full exome

Whole-Genome Sequencing



Testing the full genome

WGS Provides the Most Comprehensive Analysis of Genomic Variants Among All Clinical Genomic Testing Methods

	Sanger*	Targeted NGS*	PCR*	CMA*	WES*	WGS*
SNVs	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Indels	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CNVs		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Repeat expansions			✓			✓
Structural variants				✓	✓	✓
Mitochondrial	✓	✓			✓	✓
Paralogs	✓		✓			✓

✓ Limited capabilities ✓ Capable

*Variant detection may vary depending on laboratory and test offering

CMA=chromosomal microarray; CNV=copy number variant; FISH=fluorescence in situ hybridization; Indel=small insertion/deletion; NGS=next-generation sequencing; PCR=polymerase chain reaction; SNV=single nucleotide variant; WES=whole-exome sequencing; WGS=whole-genome sequencing.

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The Value of Comprehensive Testing

Nearly 10% of molecularly diagnosed patients have multiple pathogenic variants



Significant diversity in pathogenic variation underlying genetic disease.



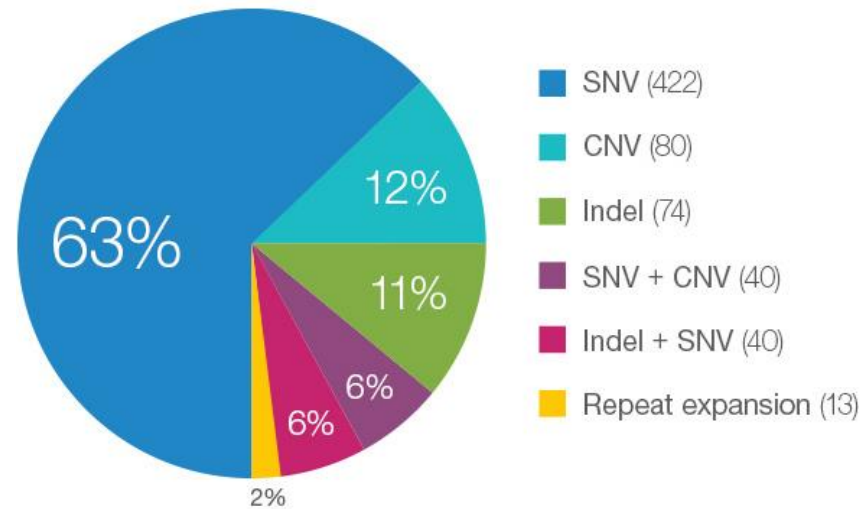
Multiple variant types identified in 5–12% of molecularly diagnosed cases.¹⁻³



Demonstrates value of comprehensive approach.

Patient variant distribution

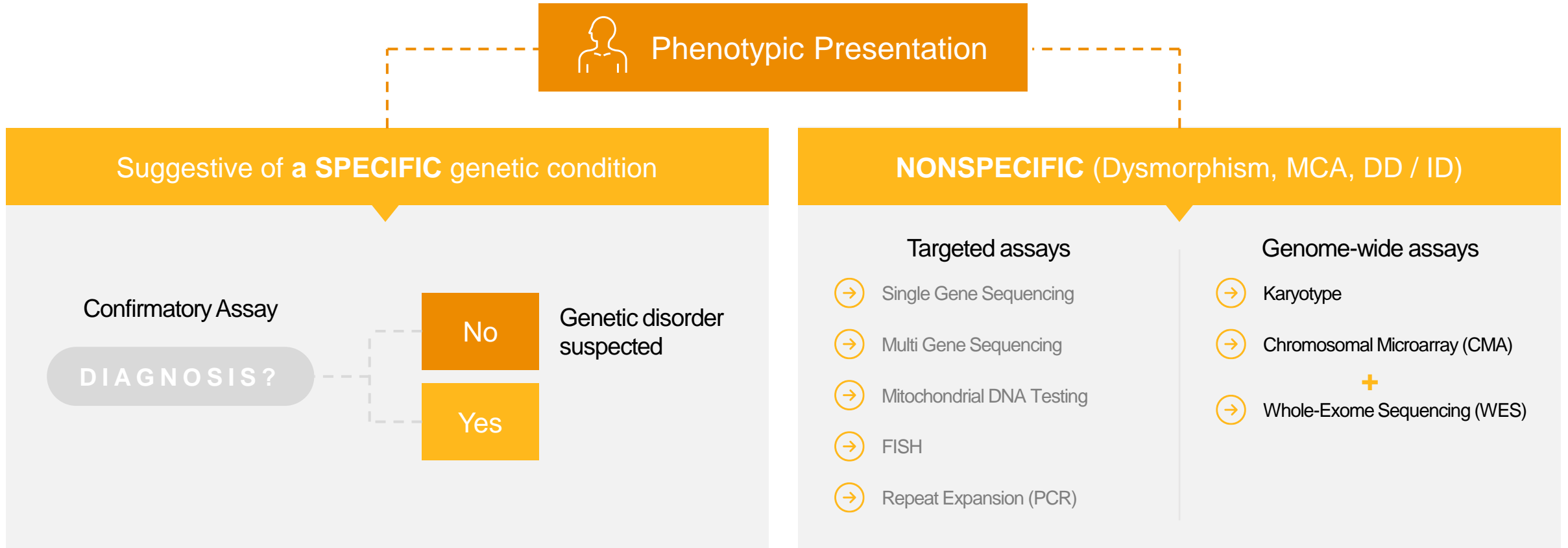
(N=699 patients)³



WGS testing performed in the Illumina Clinical Services Laboratory represents individuals enrolled in disease-specific clinical trials or as part of philanthropic efforts. As such, the percentage represented here may not be typical of that seen in a standard laboratory. This data is based on 669 total cases.

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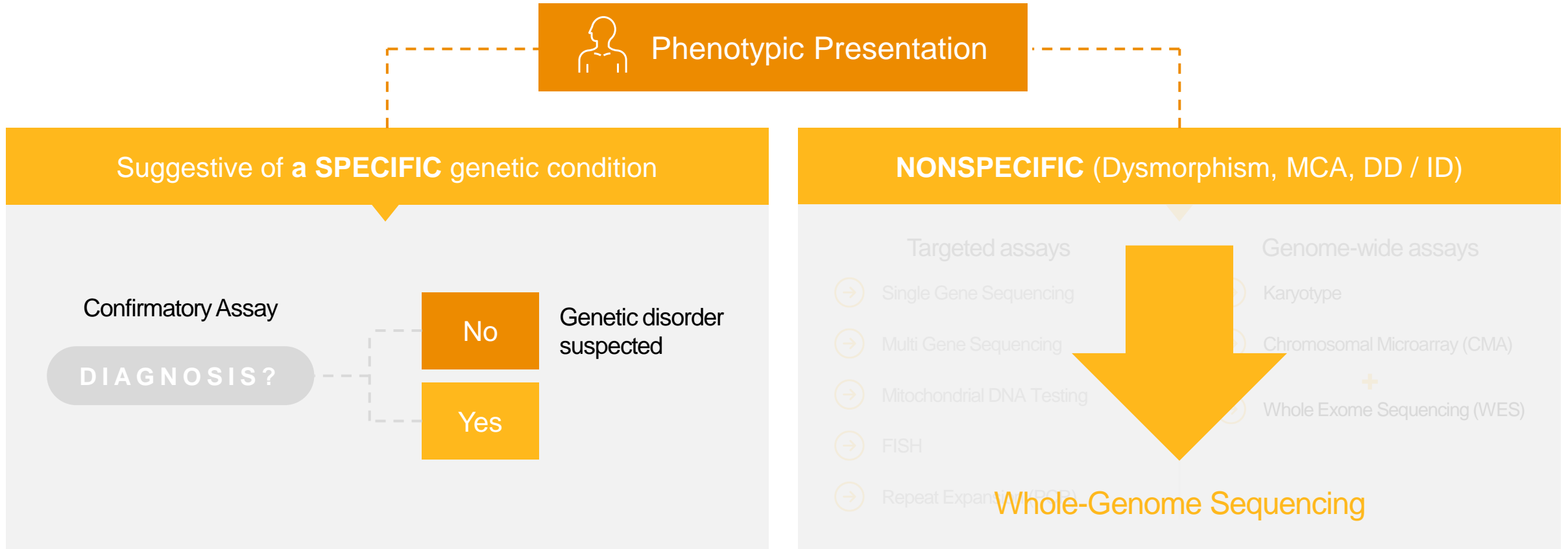
Rapid End to the Diagnostic Odyssey



MCA: Multiple congenital anomalies.
DD / ID: Development delay/intellectual disability.
FISH: Fluorescence in situ hybridization

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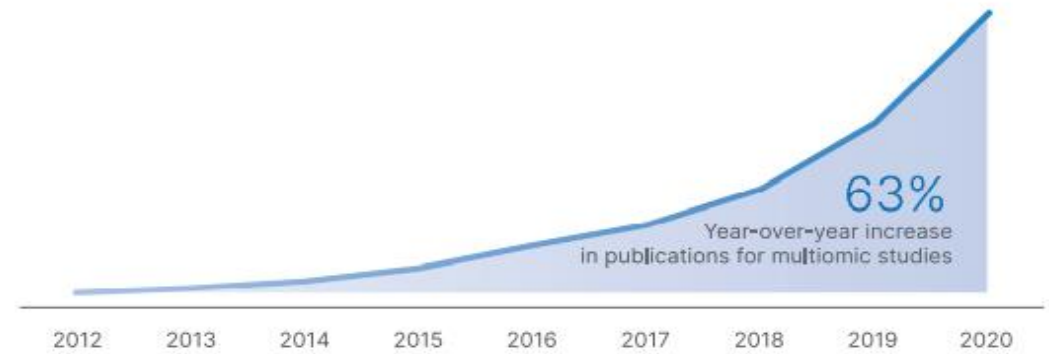
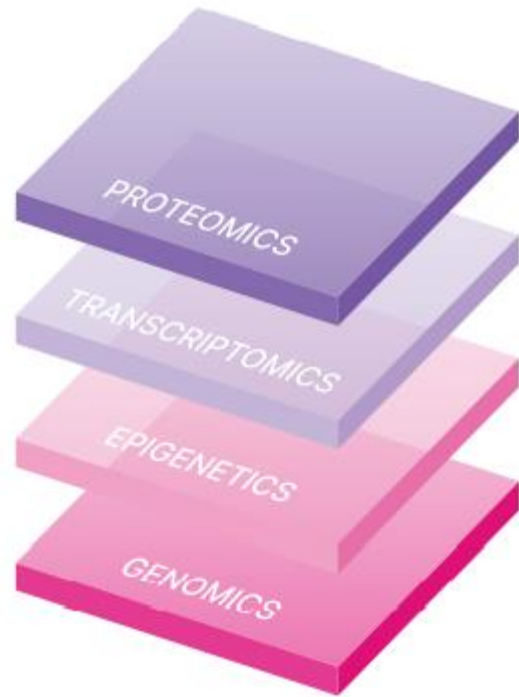
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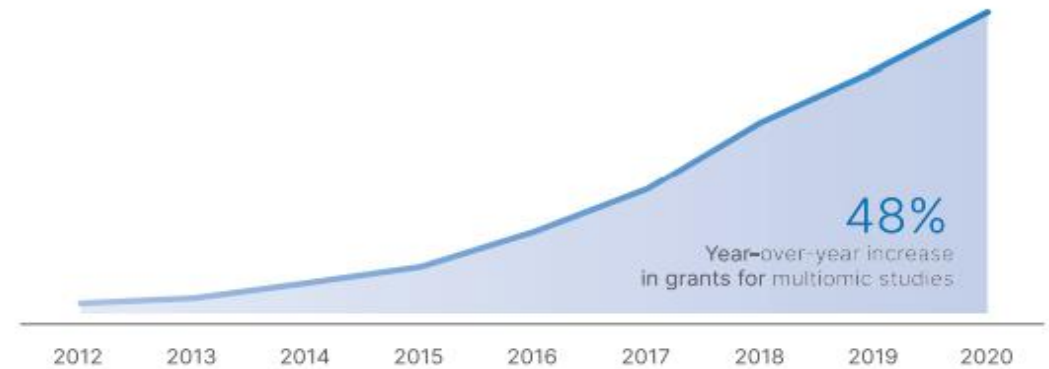
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Multiomics



Multiomics publications on the rise—Since 2012, there has been a 63% average year-over-year increase in the number of publications featuring multiomic data.¹



Grant funding growth for multiomics—Since 2012, there has been a 48% average year-over-year increase in the number of active or starting grants for multiomic studies.¹

Utility Is Not One Thing



Clinical utility

- **Impact of a result on medical decision-making**
- Comparison to other diagnostic tests
- Availability of effective interventions
- Avoidance of invasive testing and ineffective interventions
- Outcomes
- Physician behavior — medical error reduction



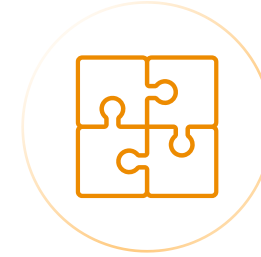
Personal utility

- Effect on future reproductive decisions
- **Impact on prognosis and direction of care**
- Impact on educational and rehabilitative services
- Cascade testing of relatives
- Satisfaction



Economic utility

- Costs of testing
- **Cost effectiveness**
- Utilization
- Risk reduction



System utility

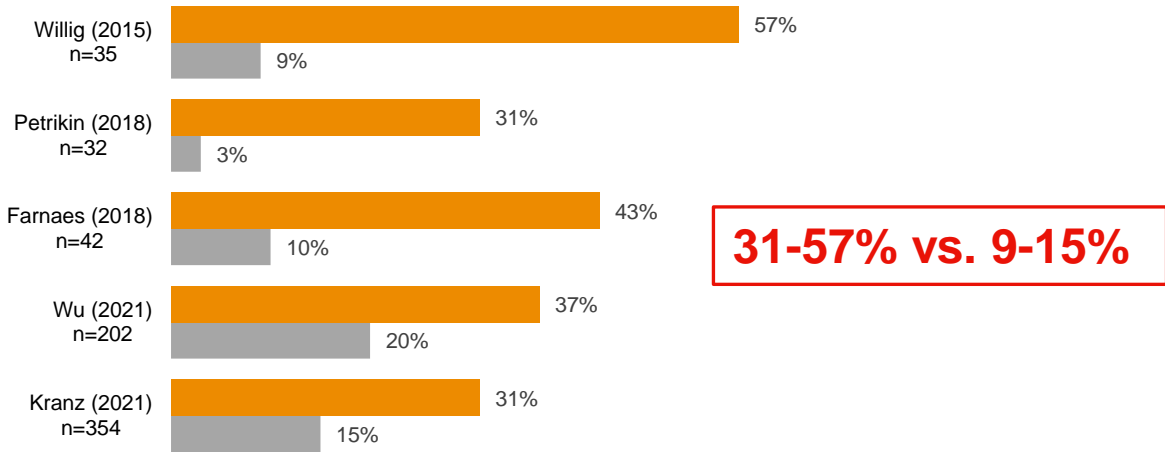
- Services planning
- **Resource allocation**
- **Access to care**
- Efficiency of utilization
- Risk management
- Surveillance

Supportive Evidence

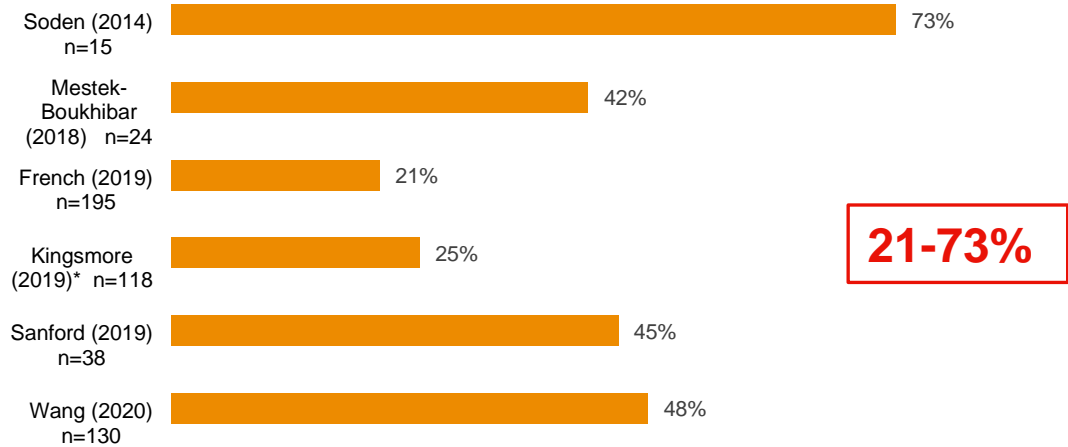
Rapid-WGS Has a Higher Diagnostic Yield Enabling Impact on Clinical Management of NICU / PICU Patients

WGS Standard Tests

Dx yield from head-to-head comparison studies



Dx yield from all other peer-reviewed publications



A change in clinical management was reported across 8 of these studies.^{2-5,8-11}

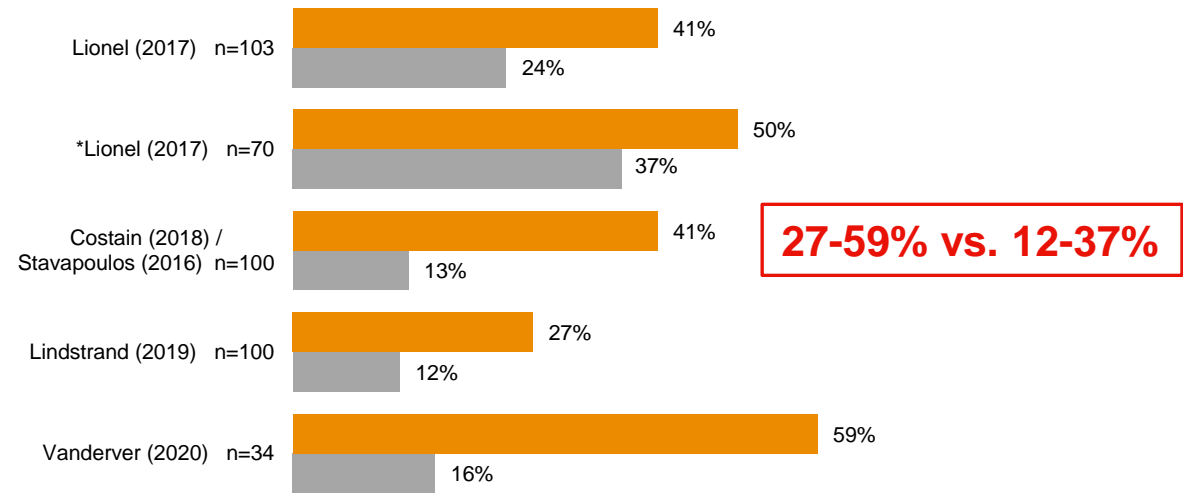
Note: Standard Tests may include CMA, FISH, karyotype, targeted gene panels, microarrays, methylation, or other. In Kranz (2021), the comparison was between WGS early arm (15 days after enrollment) vs WGS delayed arm (60days after enrollment).
 Cross-trial comparisons cannot be made given different study parameters/design.
 WGS: whole-genome sequencing

References in slide notes; * Includes both rapid WGS and ultra rapid WGS.

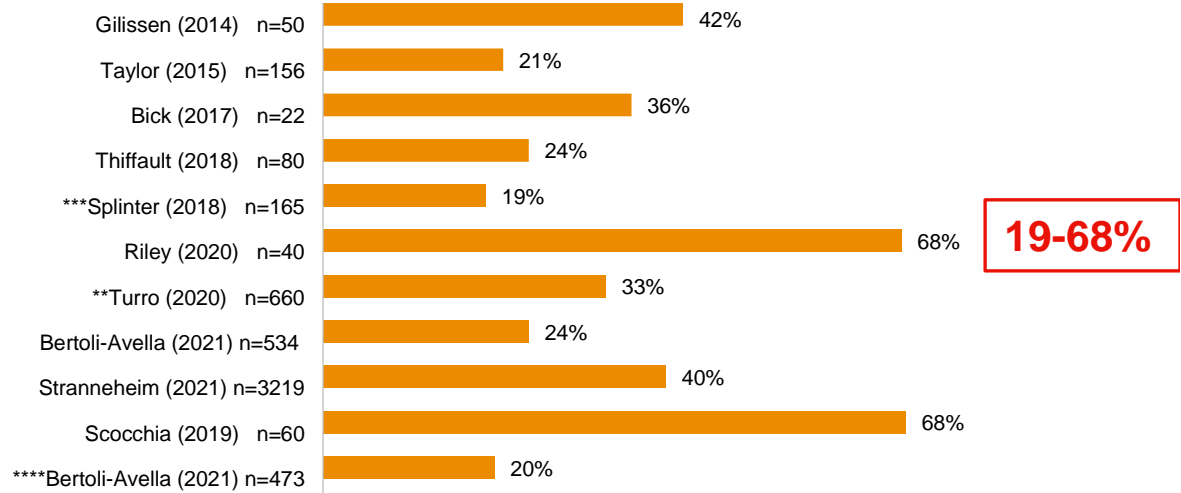
Compared with Standard Approaches, WGS Has Higher Diagnostic Yields in Pediatric Outpatients

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Dx yield from all other peer-reviewed publications



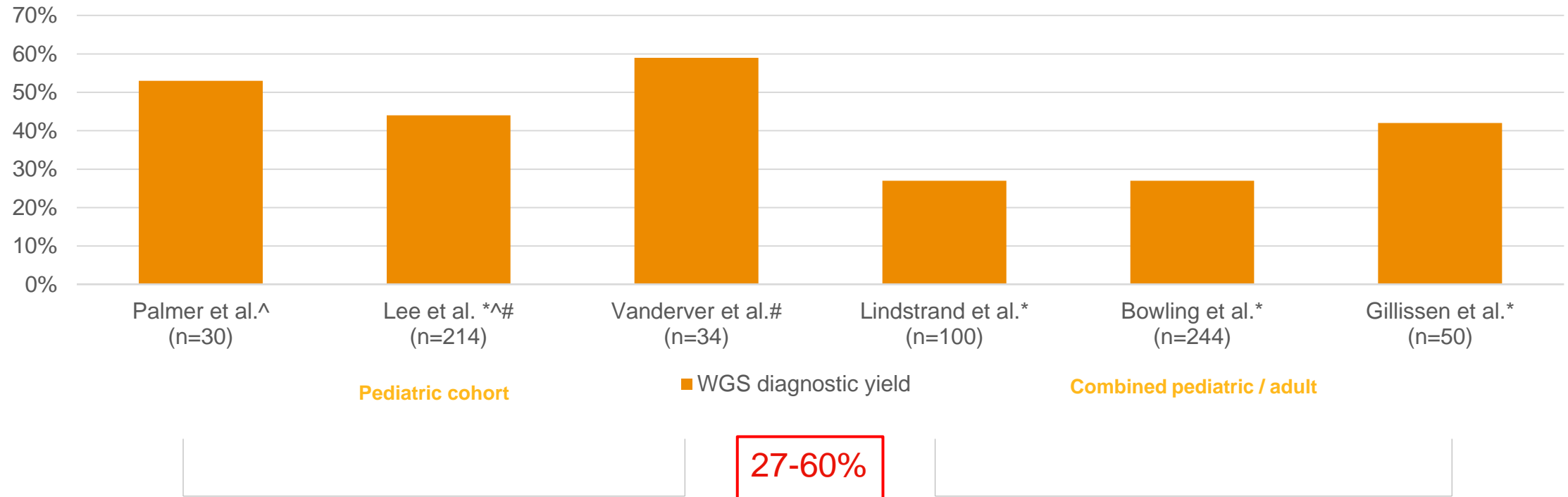
A change in clinical management was reported in across 7 of these studies.^{3,5,7,8,11,14,16}

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References in slide notes; *Subset of 70 patients with WGS and WES; **Turro (2020) Neurodevelopmental disorders cohort; ***Note: in subset with negative WES, WGS diagnostic yield was 16% **** (Bertoli-Avella 2021) 83% of the sample at the age of testing are pediatric population (<16 years of age)

Whole-Genome Sequencing Demonstrates High Diagnostic Yield in Certain Neurological Indications

WGS in neurological indications



1. Studies may include combined adult and pediatric cohorts.

^{*}Developmental delay/intellectual disability; [^]Epilepsy; [#] Other neurologic disorders (eg. leukodystrophies, neuromuscular, movement).

Cost-effectiveness of ES/GS for children with rare disease

Modeled estimates of ES and GS compared to standard of care

Key Takeaway

First-line GS is cost-effective (CE) for diagnosing rare disease in infants. GS may be cost-effective in all children under certain assumptions. Standard of care testing prior to ES/GS increases cost without improving outcomes.



Method

- CE model incorporating costs, dx yield and quality-adjusted life years based on publicly available data and published evidence.
- Comparison of 7 test strategies over 10-years and lifetime (ie. 3 scenarios based on assumptions of disability/quality of life).
- Two cohorts of children with suspected genetic conditions analyzed: critically ill infants (<1 year) and all children (<18 years).

Findings

- Standard of care (SoC) testing had lowest cost over 10 years, but also the lowest dx yield.
- **First-line GS projected to increase costs & had higher dx yield** (~\$15,048/added dx for infants and \$27,349/added dx for all children).
- **First-line GS was most CE** (the lowest additional cost for each additional diagnosis) of the 6 strategies compared to SoC.
- Per probabilistic sensitivity analysis, first-line GS was the most CE approach at commonly accepted willingness to pay thresholds (how much society is willing to pay for a given outcome).
- **Reanalysis of ES or GS in undiagnosed children was considered CE** (good value for money)

Lavelle TA, Feng X, Keisler M, et al. [Cost-effectiveness of exome and genome sequencing for children with rare and undiagnosed conditions](#). *Genet Med*. [published online ahead of print, 2022 Apr 8]. 2022;S1098-3600(22)00682-7. doi:10.1016/j.gim.2022.03.005

Health Economic Value of WGS in Rare Disease for Infants

Payer Perspective

Farnaes reported that rWGS reduced length of hospital stay by 124 days and resulted in a net savings of \$804,200

- N=42 critically-ill infants in NICU

Dimmock reported that the GS testing in studied cohort cost \$1.7 million, but led to \$2.2–2.9 million cost savings in hospital costs and professional fees

- N=184 critically-ill infants

Lavelle reported, first-line GS may be the most cost-effective strategy for infants with rare conditions

- WGS is more cost-effective than WES in severely ill infants
- If used first WGS is cost-saving in severely ill infants compared to other common genetic testing in this population; CMA, WES, WES+CMA

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Our findings strongly suggest that genome analysis outperforms other testing strategies and should replace traditional CMA and FMR1 analysis as a first-line genetic test in individuals with ID/NDD. GS is a sensitive, time- and cost-effective method that results in a confirmed molecular diagnosis in 35% of all referred patients.

Growing Coverage in the US and Globally

US

- As of December 2020, **commercial insurance plans in the US representing >16M lives have positive medical policies for rapid-WGS in the NICU/PICU**
 - Blue Shield of CA; Priority Health, Florida Blue, Horizon, Blue Cross Blue Shield Federal Employees Campaign, Capital Health Plan, Blue Cross of Idaho
- **11 state Medicaid** programs have payment rates posed for WGS

Asia

- **In Nov 2019, Australia's** Medical Services Advisory Committee (MSAC)—the official HTA body—issued a positive review for WES & WGS
- WES is reimbursed in **Japan** through the IRUD program

Europe, Middle East & Africa

- In the UK, **NHS England covers WES and WGS** in clinical routine for defined rare diseases and cancers. **Wales** has also commissioned the use of WGS in critically-ill children.
- Since 2021, **Germany reimburses WGS/WES** with no prior authorization requirement at the national level. In addition, major German health insurance companies also cover WES and WGS at a higher reimbursement level to allow for testing of patients and their parents ('trios').
- Other countries covering WES and WGS for patients with undiagnosed, suspected genetic diseases include **Switzerland, Denmark and Sweden**.
- Several countries, including but not limited to **Belgium, France, the Netherlands, Israel and Spain** are actively pursuing integration of WGS into clinical care and/or launching genomic initiatives that would include WGS for rare and undiagnosed disease

Societal Guidelines

American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics Evidence-Based Guideline, 2021



ACMG recommends exome/genome sequencing (ES / GS) as a first- or second-tier test in patients with 1 or more congenital anomalies prior to 1 year of age or intellectual disabilities / developmental delay prior to age 18.

ES / GS leads to:

- Increased diagnostic yield in rare disease
- Awareness of broad spectrum of genetic variants
- Improved patient outcomes
- Expanded treatment and management
- Access to support networks for patients and families

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ACMG PRACTICE GUIDELINE Check for updates

Exome and genome sequencing for pediatric patients with congenital anomalies or intellectual disability: an evidence-based clinical guideline of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG)

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PURPOSE: To develop an evidence-based clinical practice guideline for the use of exome and genome sequencing (ES/GS) in the care of pediatric patients with one or more congenital anomalies (CA) with onset prior to age 1 year or developmental delay (DD) or intellectual disability (ID) with onset prior to age 18 years.

METHODS: The Pediatric Exome/Genome Sequencing Evidence-Based Guideline Work Group (n=10) used the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) evidence to decision (ED) framework based on the recent American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) systematic review, and an Ontario Health Technology Assessment to develop and present evidence summaries and health-care recommendations. The document underwent extensive internal and external peer review, and public comment, before approval by the ACMG Board of Directors.

RESULTS: The literature supports the clinical utility and desirable effects of ES/GS on active and long-term clinical management of patients with CA/DD/ID, and on family-focused and reproductive outcomes with relatively few harms. Compared with standard genetic testing, ES/GS has a higher diagnostic yield and may be more cost-effective when ordered early in the diagnostic evaluation.

CONCLUSION: We strongly recommend that ES/GS be considered as a first- or second-tier test for patients with CA/DD/ID.

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INTRODUCTION

Congenital anomalies (CA), developmental delay (DD), and intellectual disability (ID) are among the most common indications for genetic referral in the pediatric population and comprise a heterogeneous group of conditions that can impact a child's physical, learning, or behavioral function. In contrast to early childhood mortality, which declined by 50% from 1990 to 2016, the prevalence of developmental disabilities was unchanged over the same period, according to the Global Burden of Diseases, Injuries and Risk Factors Study¹. This study also reported on the worldwide prevalence and years lived with disability for six developmental disabilities: ID, epilepsy, autism spectrum disorder, attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder, and hearing and vision

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	ACMG[*] Practice Guideline	CMDA[§] Expert Consensus	RACP^β Viewpoint	CCMG[¥] Position Statement	ESHG[#] Recommendations
Date of Publication	July 2021 ¹	June 2019 ²	February 2021 ³	May 2015 ⁴	May 2022 ⁵
Sequencing	WES/WGS	WGS	WES/WGS	WES/WGS	WGS
Eligible Patients	Patients with one or more congenital anomalies prior to one year of age OR with intellectual disability with onset prior to age 18	Non-specific phenotype associated with intellectual disability and/or developmental delay; multiple congenital anomalies; clear clinical diagnosis associated with high level of genetic heterogeneity; previously negative WES or CMA	Any child < 10 years with: facial dysmorphism AND ≥ 1 congenital structural anomaly; OR global developmental delay/ intellectual disability (moderate to severe); Test must be requested by clinical geneticist OR pediatrician following consultation with clinical geneticist	Patients w/ suspicion of significant monogenic disease associated with high degree of genetic heterogeneity; specific genetic tests have failed to provide a diagnosis; cases when WES/WGS is a more cost-effective approach than available individual gene/gene panels	It is recommended to introduce WGS analysis in a diagnostic setting when it is a relevant improvement on quality, efficiency and/or diagnostic yield
Tier	First or second tier test	First or second tier test	Second tier: Negative routine blood tests if indicated, negative CMA required	First or second tier test	Not specified
Informed Consent and Pretest Counseling	Set expectations, review benefits/limitations/ harms of testing such as limited disease-known associations	Discuss purpose of test, test limitations, possible results, possibility of secondary findings; possibility of data reanalysis	Explain possible outcomes to manage patient/parent expectations, address potential for incidental (secondary) findings, address possibility of certain types of insurance discrimination	Genetic counselling for the patient/ family should be undertaken and documented. A list of what should be discussed during the informed consent process is included in the document.	Pre-test genetic counseling should be performed prior to obtaining informed consent. This counseling should be performed by a qualified expert (ie. clinician, genetic counselor).
Reevaluation/ Reanalysis	Value in reanalysis; frequency/strategy not specified	Not specified	In the event of a variant of uncertain significance, recommend reanalysis in 18 months, up to twice after the initial test is performed. Some situations warrant shorter reanalysis interval.	Requests for re-analysis should be initiated by a ref. physician based on an established policy; may involve re-testing rather than re-analysis , at discretion of laboratory. Further analysis of sequencing data through research may be an option.	Reanalysis should be triggered by the clinician and not by the diagnostic laboratory. Patients should be aware of and provide consent to reanalysis.

Continued Efforts

What's Next in Evidence-Generation

Yield

- Indication-specific diagnostic yields
- Real-world evidence
- Multiomics (ie. RNAseq)
- Long-read sequencing

Utility

- Change of management
- Gene therapy/drug development
- Economic utility
- Personal utility

Implementation

- Demonstrating what's possible
- Workflow impacts
- Real-world implementation
- Education

iHope Global Network

Providing clinical whole-genome sequencing to patients in need



<https://www.illumina.com/company/ihope.html>

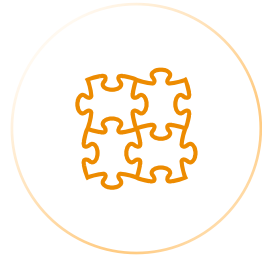
Challenges for Whole-Genome Sequencing Implementation

Areas of focus for future test adoption



Informatics

- Supporting evidence for validated algorithms
- Data storage bottlenecks



Interpretation

- Incidental findings, variants of unknown significance
- Periodic data reanalysis



Professional governance

- Recommendations and guidelines for use
- Evidence for clinical utility and health economic benefits



Access to testing

- Access to testing facility offering clinical WGS
- Equity of care
- Payer reimbursement

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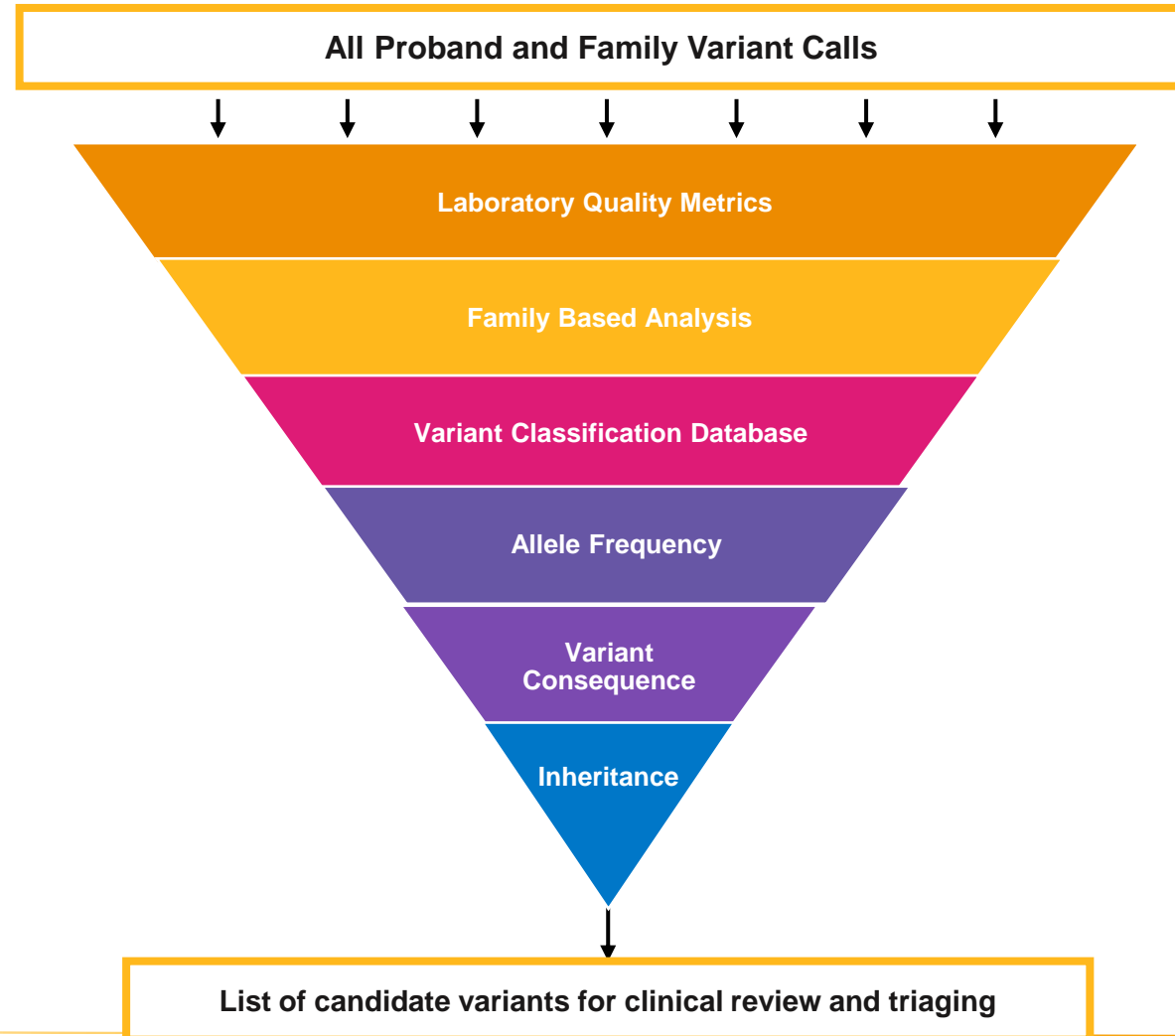


Pre-test Counseling for Genomic Sequencing

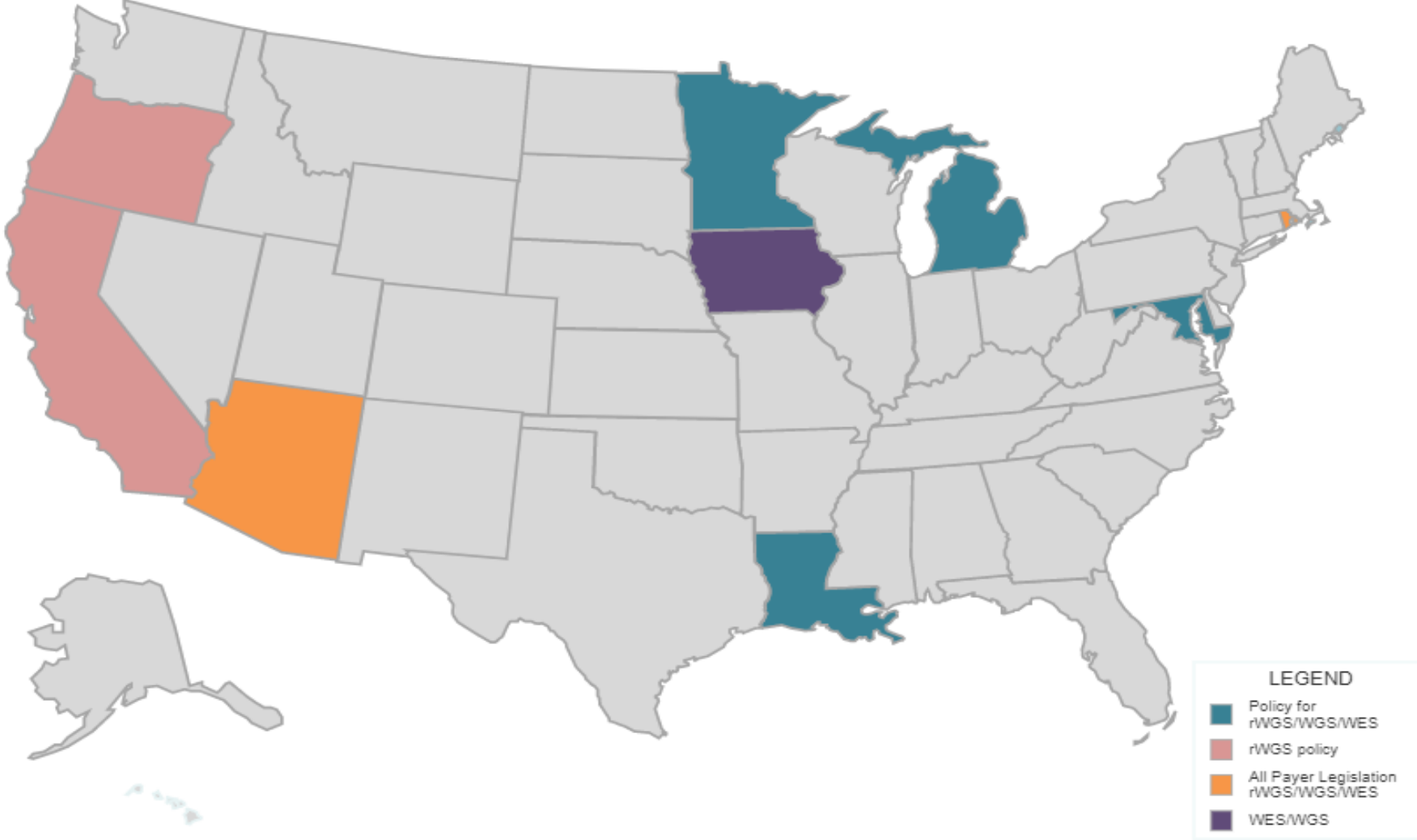


Variant Filtering, Triaging and Classification

Trio analysis



Coverage Policy



Systematic review of recommendations for reanalysis of next-generation sequencing data

Standardized guidelines for future studies relating to reanalysis

Key Takeaway

A meta-analysis of 29 articles determined that reanalysis of NGS data can improve diagnostic (dx) yield, yet there remains uncertainty regarding optimal timing for reanalysis. Recommendations are proposed for best practices in reanalysis and for minimum standards for future studies.



Method

- Systematic evidence review of publications from January 2007 to October 2021.
- Reanalysis defined as "bioinformatic examination of original sequencing data" in undiagnosed patients.
- Primary outcome was proportion of cases without a molecular dx after initial sequencing that reached a dx after reanalysis.

Findings

- **29 studies** (9419 undiagnosed patients) met criteria for review and included reanalysis data from GS (n=3), ES (n=23) and GS/ES (n=3) studies.
- Overall pooled **dx yield from reanalysis was 10%**. Yields were higher when reanalysis occurred >24 months vs. those <24 months although this finding was not significant.
- **Updates in literature/databases** resulting in new gene discovery was most common reason for new diagnosis (62% of cases).
- Yield was significantly higher following reanalysis of ES data (11%) vs. GS data (4%) ($p < 0.01$) and lowest in studies that limited reanalysis to known disease genes.

Dai P, Honda A, Ewans L, et al. [Recommendations for next generation sequencing data reanalysis of unsolved cases with suspected Mendelian disorders: A systematic review and meta-analysis](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gim.2022.04.021). *Genet. Med.* 2022;https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gim.2022.04.021