

Clinical labs at a crossroads

*Why we need a unified
clinical-grade genomics
database*

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Our proposal to OGI...

To create Canada's unified, open-access, clinical-grade genetic database --using a commonly shared platform and designed to hold all types of information related to human gene variants and their relationship to rare and common diseases

Our major goal...

Moving collaboration to a whole new level for research + patient care

Lab directors - with clinicians, GCs, bioinformaticians, scientific community

To greatly expand quality, scale, scope of our work

**Very positive responses from
community about our project...**

Endorsements, collaborators,
excellent feedback from “friendly”
peer reviewers

Thanks to many in this room for
letters of support

Status quo not an option...

Data scattered across institutions

Protocols, procedures vary widely

Weak phenotypic information

Errors, inconsistencies too common

Our successes - a mixed blessing

Next-gen technologies

Demand for whole-exome/genome

Mapping of non-coding DNA

Personalized medicine

Rising consumer expectations

Relentless pressure will continue for
faster, more accurate analysis,
interpretation, reporting

Not just a Canadian challenge...

Major US project led by Harvard's Heidi Rehm

Building on existing ClinVar database

Has won wide acceptance among US labs

Support for our project - inc. GeneInsight®

Adds strong resources to Cdn project

Three main aims...

Design variant assessment
procedures

Extract and transfer data

Set up access and dissemination

The existing challenges...

Complexity of Novel Variant Assessment

Need for outside expertise

Eliminating misclassifications

State of translational research

Lack of physician training, experience

Regulatory approvals

Role of bioinformatics and IT...

Build system for variant interpretation

Define ontologies, structured phenotype data

Extract de-identified variant knowledge

Develop product to facilitate public access

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Variant List p.Ser41delinsAs... p.Leu8TrpfsX1... Variant.. Report..

Variant Details: XG1 *12 [c.21delG (p.Leu8TrpfsX13)]

Gene: XG1 (XD1, XD2)
Transcript: NM_020469.2 [7 Exons, Coding 1..7]
Allele: *12
Variant: *12 [c.21delG (p.Leu8TrpfsX13)]
Gene Region: Exon 1
Interp. Summary: Pathogenic Mild (XD1)
Resistant (XD2)
Interp. Status: Content Approved by M.L. Admin on 09/11/2012 07:31 PM.
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Edit Variant

Full Details Frequency Notes References Interpretation Interp. History Assessments Seq. Alignments

Current Interpretation

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Reason(s) For Update
New Evidence

Interpretations

Category/Inher./Excl.	Diseases/Drugs
Pathogenic Mild (RECESSIVE)	X1 Disease

Variant Interpretation

The Leu8fs variant (also referred to as the *12 allele) has been identified with a second pathogenic variant in >20 individuals with late-onset X1 Disease (Example et al 2008, Another et al 2010). This variant is also present in 1/8600 European American chromosomes from the NHLBI Exome Variant Server database. In summary, this variant is highly likely to be disease-causing.

Category/Inher./Excl.	Diseases/Drugs
Resistant	X2 Drug

Variant Interpretation

The Leu8fs variant (also referred to as the *12 allele) has been shown to be resistant to the X2 drug in a large cohort study of individuals with X1 Disease (Data et al 2011). Individuals who were homozygous for the Leu8fs variant did not show a reduction in symptoms over a three year period.

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A Canadian GeneInsight instance, we will give you a login!

No limit to number of users

Ensure users do not use the data beyond its intended use

Ability to share data within other labs using the system,
including those in the United States

Each lab will need to make their own decision on whether
they are comfortable sharing data with the Canadian
installation

Incent labs to share, in a share and share alike fashion

Pull ClinVar data into GeneInsight so it becomes
accessible through the system

We will also support pushing data into ClinVar for labs who
are open to releasing data to the public

Thank you!

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