Genomics Changes Medicine

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Why Genetics Matters

Everything is genetic (a bit)

AND

We now have the technology to measure and diagnose (almost) all genetic conditions

AND

We have more and more therapies that need genetics first

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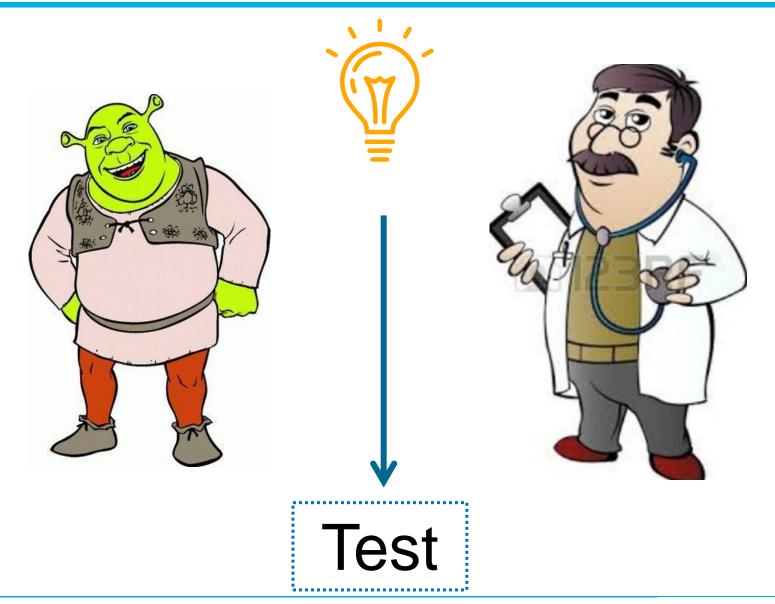
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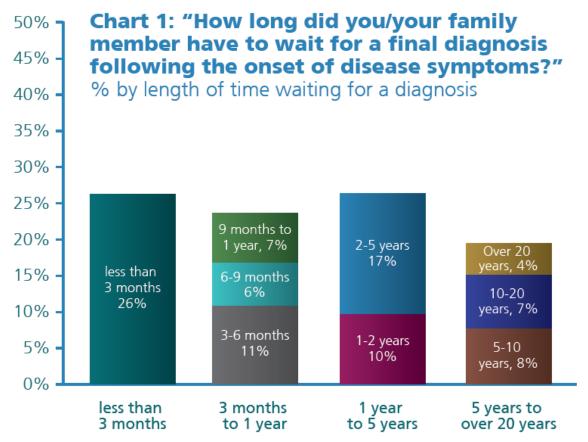
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How clinicians see themselves



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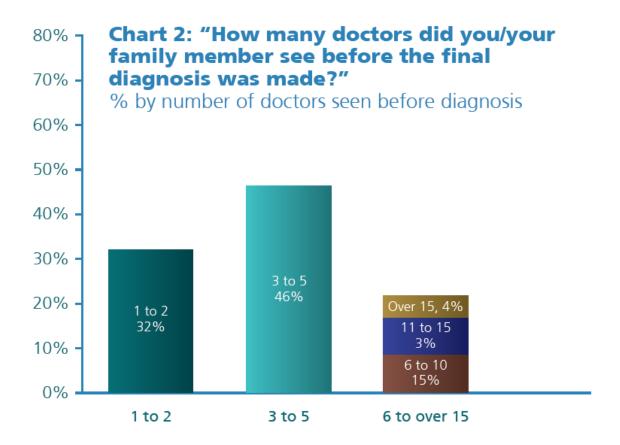


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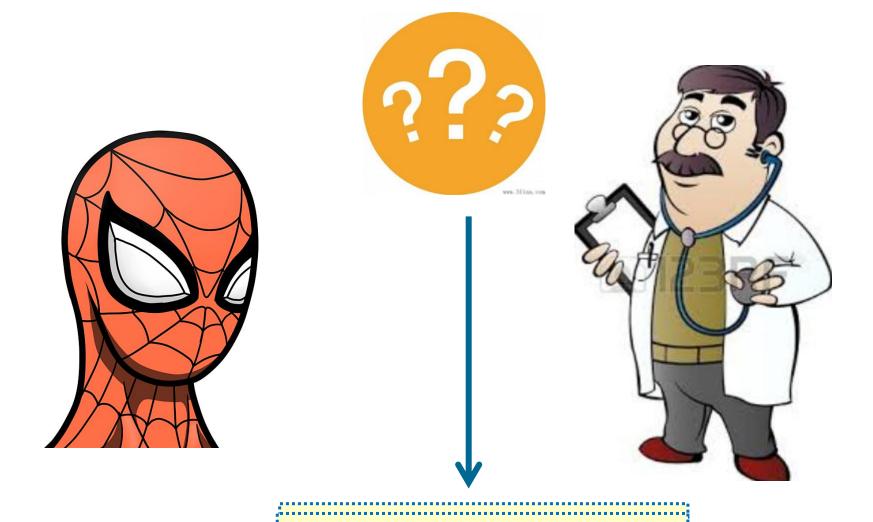


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How things mostly work out



Genome sequencing

Exome sequencing discovers a new rare disease



Exome sequencing 20.000 genes of Ender and his parents

Shows that **Ender** has just 1 de novo mutation. This mutation is in the PACS1 gene



And they have the same PACS1 mutation

Exome sequencing 20.000 genes of Siebe and his parents

Shows that **Siebe** has just 2 de novo mutations. One mutation is in the PACS1 gene



What this means for Siebe's parents:

- The end of a journey: Clarity
- Exoneration of guilt
- Low recurrence risk
- Confusion after ten years
- Hope



Neonatal volvulus extensive resection > Short bowel

Normal growth

At 10 years: *Growth retardation*:

- Syndrome ? OR
- Short bowel?

Now 18 patients with PACS1 Arg203Trp mutation

Some through Matchmaking by DDD – Decipher / other clinicians

Most matches through mother's Facebook page!

Schuurs-Hoeijmakers et al. Am J Med Genet, 2016





















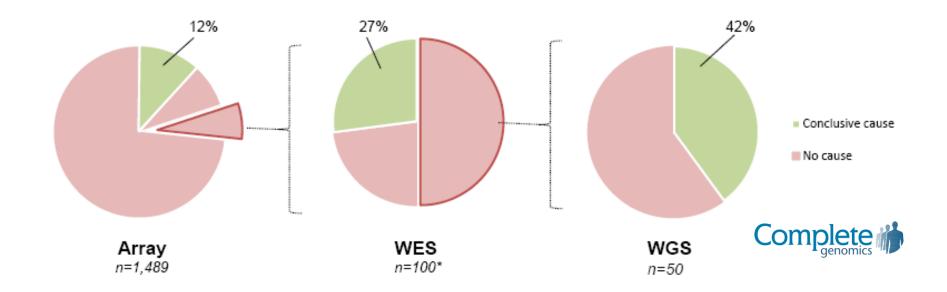








New GeneticTechnologies elucidate Intellectual Disability



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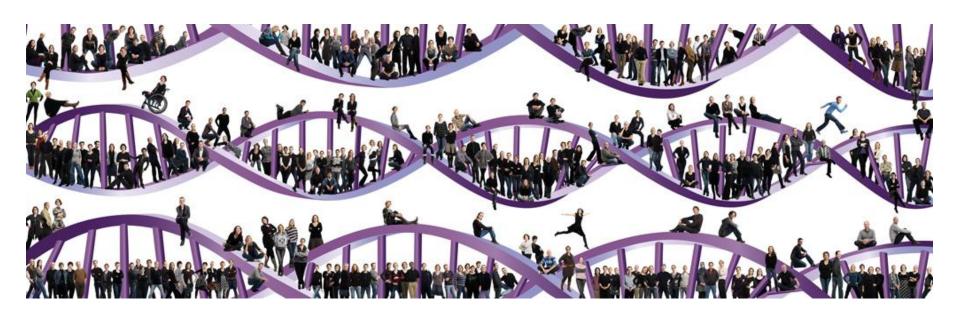
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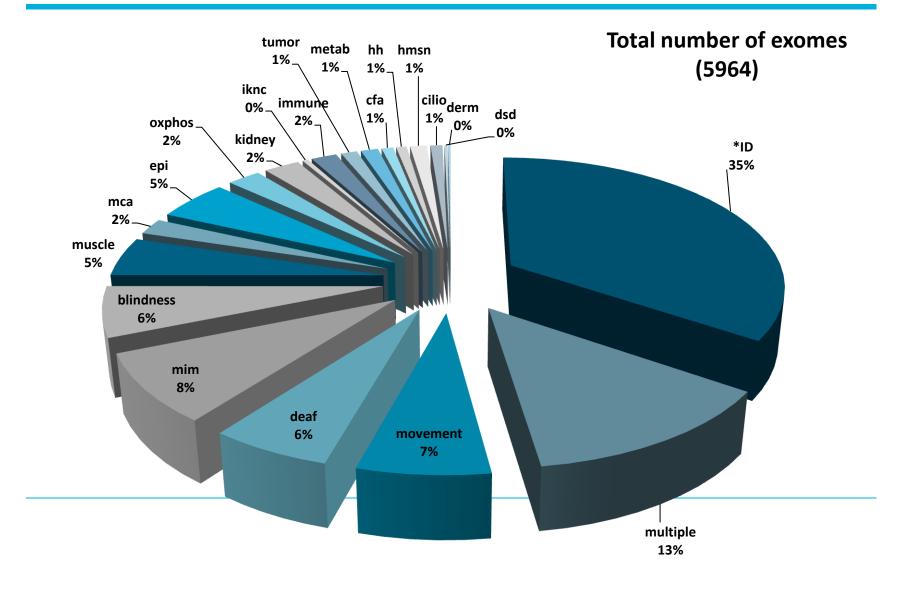


At Radboudumc, we see ~ 8.000 patients / year

And we run ~ 6000 exomes / year
On people with various (genetic) developmental problems

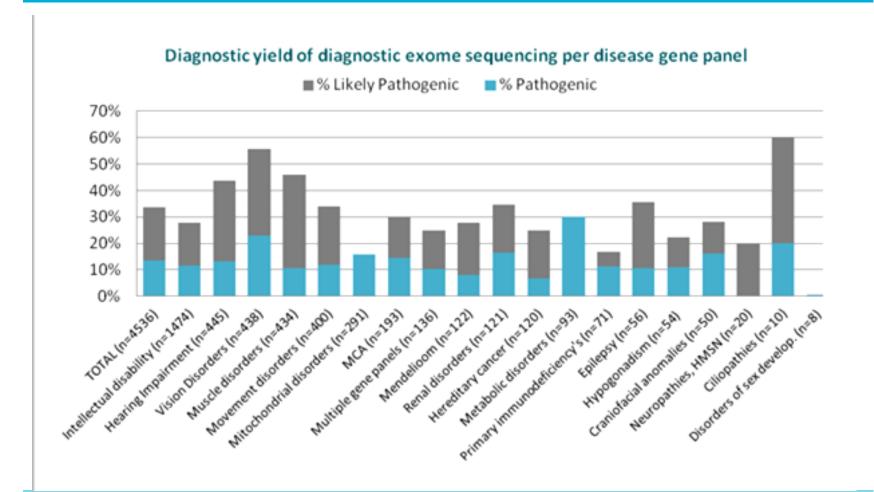


% requested clinical exomes per disease panel in 2015









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~1500 Euros



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But the sequencing is the *smallest* part of cost



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If done at scale





2017

Genetics in Medicine

Official journal of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

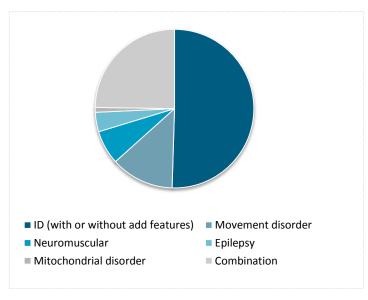
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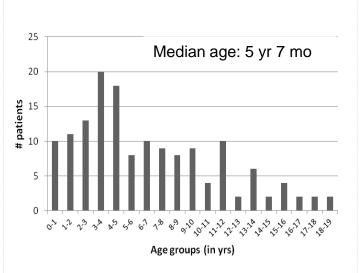
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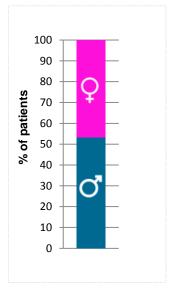
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Pediatric neurology cohort description

- 150 patients Nov 2011 Jan 2015
- Representing 'every day practice' in tertiary pediatric neurology clinic
- Mixture of new patient referrals (n=66) and patients 'somewhere' in the diagnostic trajectory (n=84)







Last resort or First tier test?

150 consecutive patients consulted in clinical practice of pediatric neurology with a phenotype of presumed genetic origin





Patient Perspective

Interviews

and experience of diagnostic process so far



Interviews
assessing experience of
diagnostic process and
obtained diagnosis
(IQ Health care)

Conventional process

- MRI
- Blood draw
- Gene test 1
- Lumbar Puncture
- Gene test 2
- Genomic array
- Gene test 3
- · ...
- Diagnosis?

Whole Exome Sequencing

- Blood draw
- Exome sequencing
- Diagnosis?

Cost effectiveness (HTA





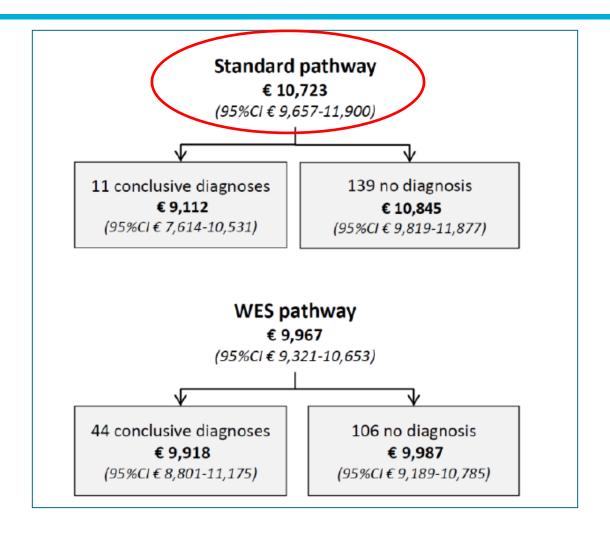


Compare diagnostic yield of both trajectories

(Human Genetics/Pediatric Neurology)

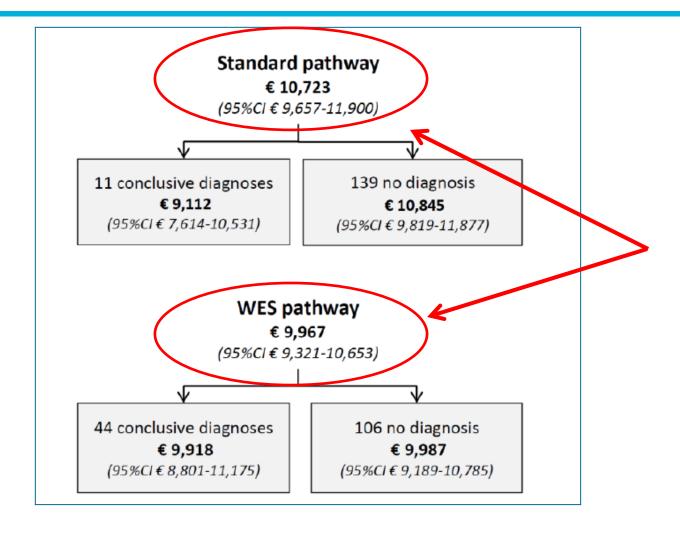
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150 patients admitted to pediatric neurology



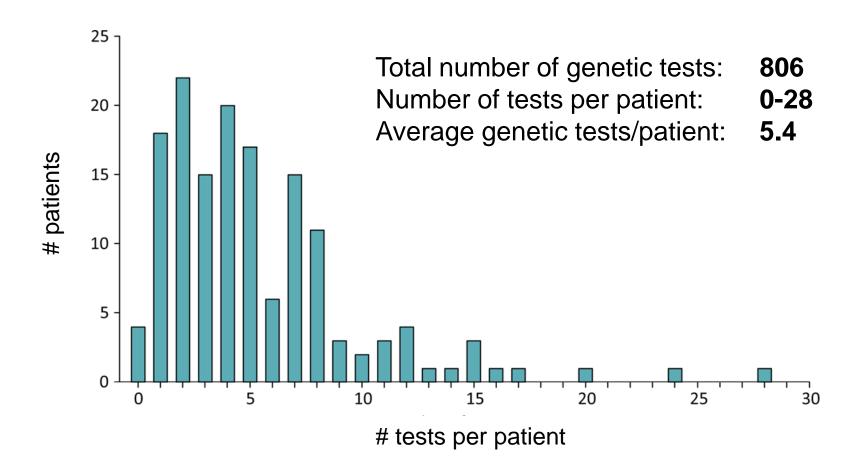
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150 patiënten voor de kinderneuroloog



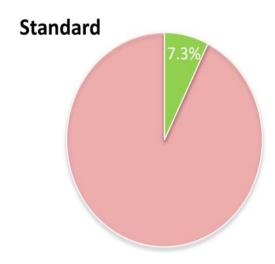
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Number of genetic tests per patient

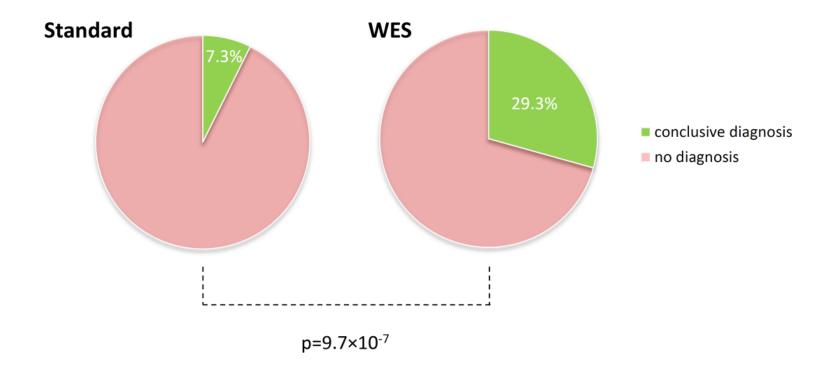


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Our experience with clinical exomes

Conclusions clinical exome sequencing:

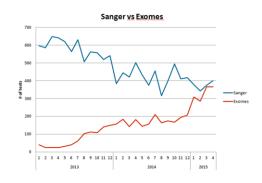
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Sanger vs Exomes



~1500 Euros



The *extra* cost of Genome sequencing (+ interpretation) is largely compensated by savings on conventional diagnostics



Conclusions clinical exome sequencing:

- ➤ Diagnostic yield of WES significantly exceeds standard of care genetic testing for patients seen in pediatric neurology
- Doctors are great, but Genomes (exomes) are better

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Every patient has the right to a correct diagnosis

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