The Human Variome Project and the Brazilian participation

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What is the Human Variome Project?
(www.humanvariomeproject.org)

- Variome – Variation in a genome
- Human Variome Project – Collection & Distribution of Human Variation & its phenotype
- Initiated 20-23 June 2006 in Melbourne, Australia co-sponsored by WHO
- A community activity to collect for databasing
What is happening in Variation?

Genomics

• SNP, HapMap, and GWAS consortia providing variants and associations for NCBI/EBI

Genetics

• Diagnostic labs/Clinicians gathering data for patient care – Locus Specific Databases (LSDB)
• Little incentive for public sharing of latter data
• Diagnostic lab/Clinicians spend hours/days/weeks searching the web
• No agreed integrated procedure
Why is complete data needed?

• Genetic clinicians and diagnostic lab heads consult mutation databases daily (and for hours per patient)

• Data needed to refine pathogenicity predictions

• Cohorts needed for mutation specific therapeutics trials

• Individuals with fully sequenced DNA need lists of mutations to inform themselves of risk

• Pre-marital counselling
HVP in Brazil

Spain, 2008: Participation on HVP Planning Meeting

Amsterdam, 2008: Brazilian Database on Orofacial Clefts

Brazil, 2010: International Conference on Nutrigenomics and 10th. International Conference on Mechanisms of Mutagenesis and Anticarcinogenesis

Brazil, 2011: Congress of the Brazilian Society of Medical Genetics (July)

Paris (Unesco), 2010: Biannual Meeting
Brazilian Database on Orofacial Clefts

Data collection aiming:

• information for epidemiologic approaches
• monitoring and surveillance
• investigation of causes and prevention
• evaluation of outcomes

*International Database on Craniofacial Anomalies (IDCFA)*

*Who, 2001*
Brazilian Database on Orofacial Clefts

Design:

• A nation-wide, hospital-based, prospective, voluntary and collaborative clinical database on orofacial clefts

• Continuous and flexible process in which new aims and tools can be aggregated according to the experience gained

Operational definitions: ICD-10 Manual and a case record form specially developed

Target population

• Orofacial cleft children assisted through the specialized hospitals (recorded as separate subsets)
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MAIN CHARACTERISTICS:

• Standard clinical evaluation
• Data are collected during part of routine genetic health care practice
• Familial data
• Clinical follow-up
• Classification according to severity
Disease-Specific Databases: Why We Need Them and Some Recommendations From the Human Variome Project Meeting, May 28, 2011

Heather J. Howard,1 Arthur Beaudet,2 Vera Gil-da-Silva Lopes,3 Mike Lyne,4 Graeme Suthers,5 Peter Van den Akker,6 Katarzyna Wertheim-Tysarowska,7 Patrick Willems,8 and Finlay Macrae1*

A SPECIFIC DISEASE IN A DEVELOPING COUNTRY

Vera Gil-da-Silva-Lopes presented the Brazilian efforts to establish a LSDB on orofacial clefts, describing the difficulties of working within a region where genetic education and services are poorly resourced and widely dispersed. Her project, a non-government, nation-wide, hospital-based, prospective, voluntary initiative is a collaborative model for LSDBs in developing countries. She reported useful genetic epidemiological data which forms the basis for monitoring changes over time, and possible environmental exposures, as well as capturing relevant aspects of healthcare delivery.
Disease-Specific Databases: Why We Need Them and Variations

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Research Article
Implementing the Brazilian Database on Orofacial Clefts

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CranFlow®: Craniofacial anomalies, flow and management

National Institute of Industrial Property # BR2015510005502: a web-based application for record-taking, follow-up and management of patients.
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Brazilian Database on Craniofacial Anomalies:

Standard terminology:

Coding:
ICD-10 [http://www.who.int/classifications/icd/en/] (with extensions)
OMIM [http://www.omim.org/] number

Nomenclature:
International System for Human Cytogenetic Nomenclature (ISCN)
Human Genome Variation Society (HGVS) recommendations

Genomic data: Cytogenetics, Cytogenomics and Sequencing
Resumo:
Total de Casos Encontrados: 1630
Data: 08/11/2016 16:21:38
Filtros Utilizados:
Paciente da e-BDCF: Todos
Anomalia: Todas as anomalias
Sexo Legal: Todos
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2015: BIPMed: First public genomic database in Latin America (dbSNP)

- Global Alliance for Genomics and Health: Beacon
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- Largest country in Latin America
- 195 million inhabitants
- Very diverse genetic background
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MAIN CHALLENGES:

• To create a culture to exchange experiences and share data

• To discuss ethical parameters

• To determine short and long-term goals

• To have funding to support long-term human resources and technology
To discuss the ethical and legal parameters acceptable by Brazilian regulatory bodies:

- patient’s consent,
- ethical approval - collection and release of genetic data
- level of data encryption
- data storage, data sharing and access
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• To establish a policy to request funding:
  • Disseminate information to research foundations, government bodies and other potential funding agencies
  • Have funds from budget of regular research programs
• Funding for:
  • Education
  • National investigation network
  • Regular meetings with different specialties and members of support groups
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