

# Conversion de données cliniques provenant d'uni et d'hôpitaux pour permettre l'interopérabilité et l'analyse à grande échelle

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# SIB in brief

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**70 groups**

**800 scientists**

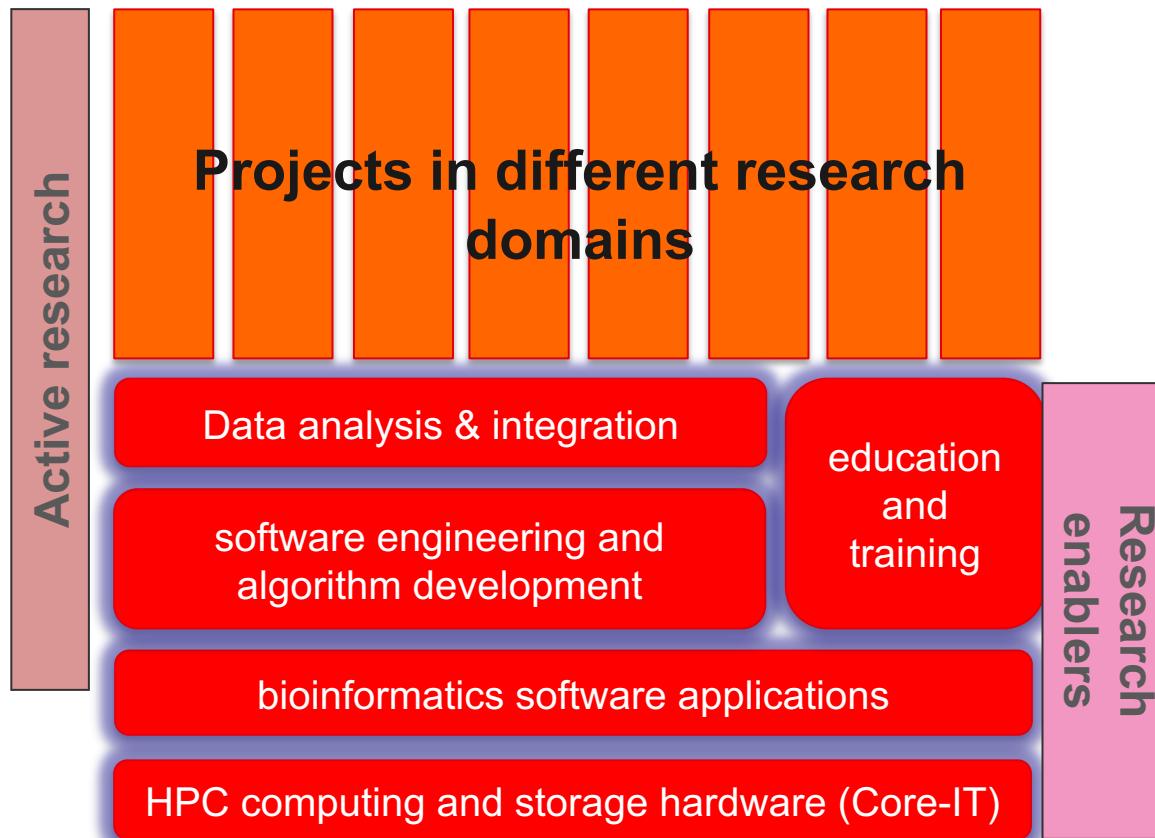
**20 partner  
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**95 bioinformaticians  
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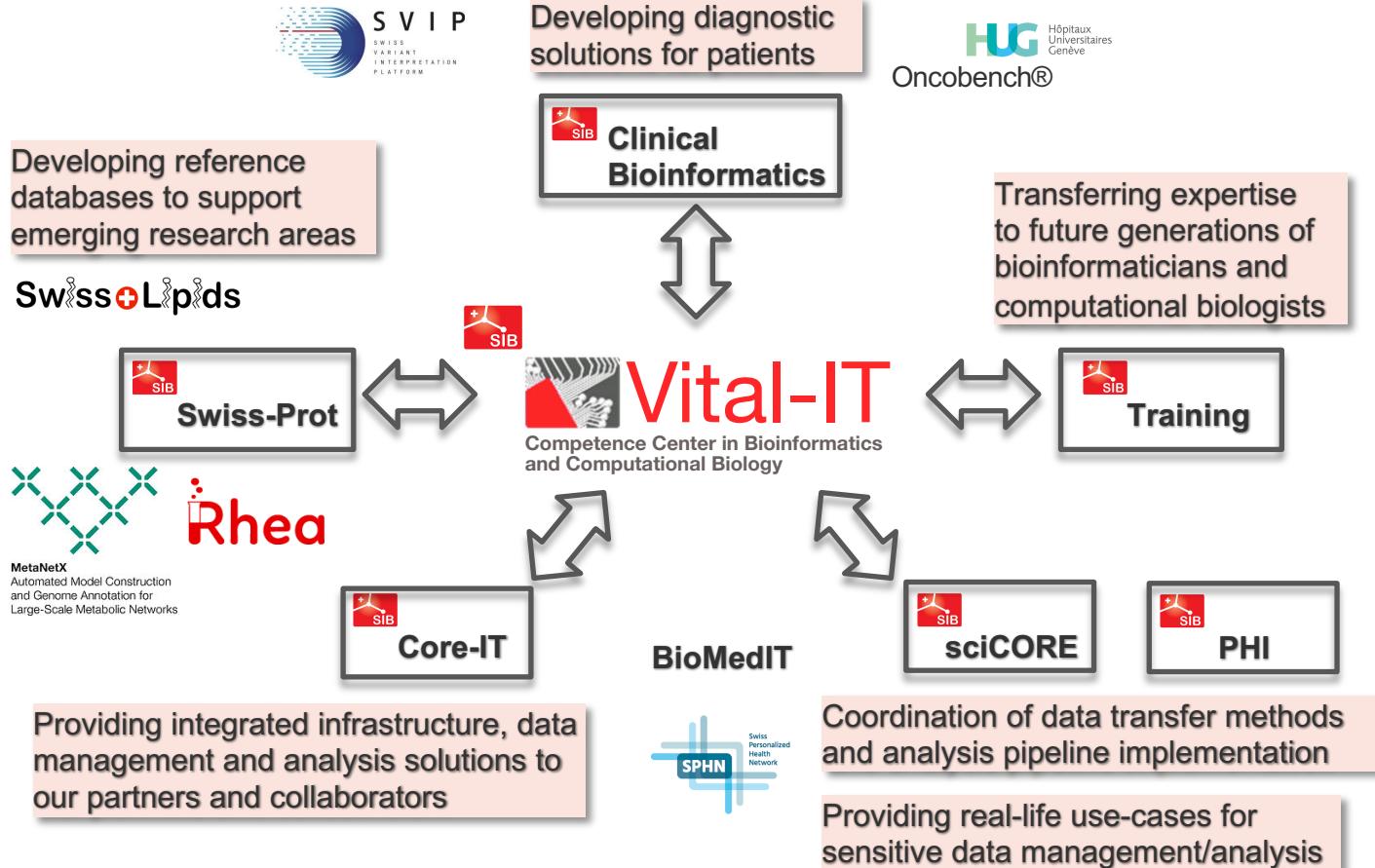
# A complete and diverse activity scope



# Vital-IT is an enabler and driver of life science research



# Continued support of SIB-wide activities



# Projets IMI pour lesquels nous avons converti des données en CDISC

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- **IMI** : Innovative Medicines Initiative, **EU public-private partnership funding** health research and innovation
- **RHAPSODY**: Assessing risk and progression of pre-diabetes and type 2 diabetes to enable disease modification
  - **10 cohortes**
- **BEAt-DKD**: Biomarker Enterprise to Attack Diabetic Kidney Disease
  - **5 cohortes**

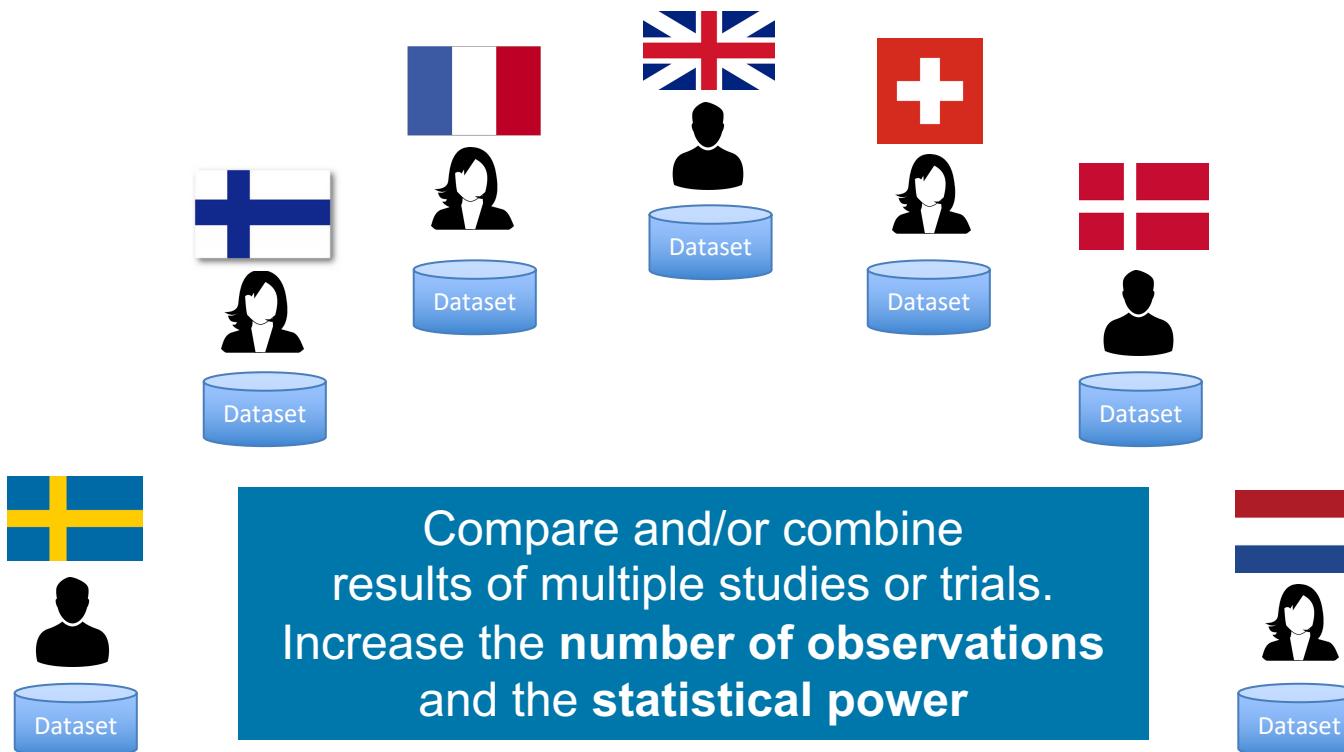
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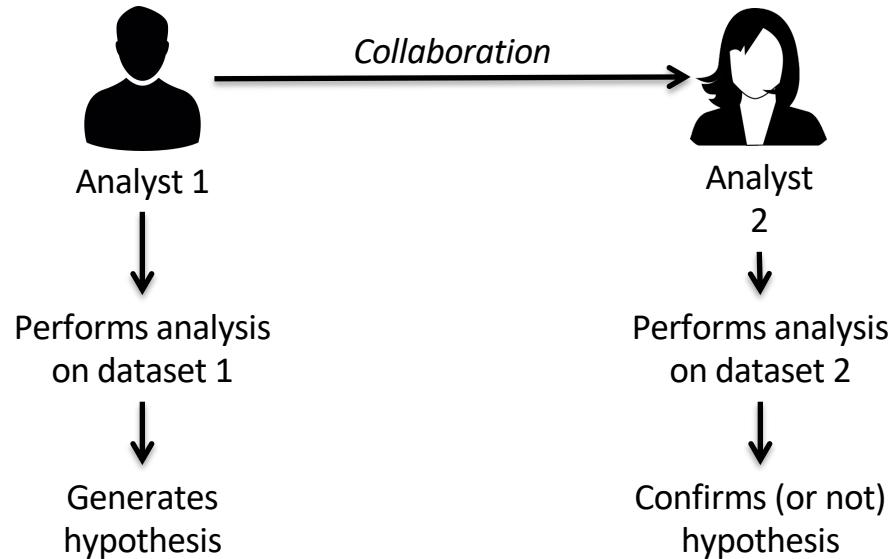


# Meta-analysis is necessary to gain analysis power



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**Ethical and/or legal/governance** constraints on clinical cohort data mean that often sensitive individual-level (patient) data **cannot be shared or copied and cannot be analysed together in a centralized way**

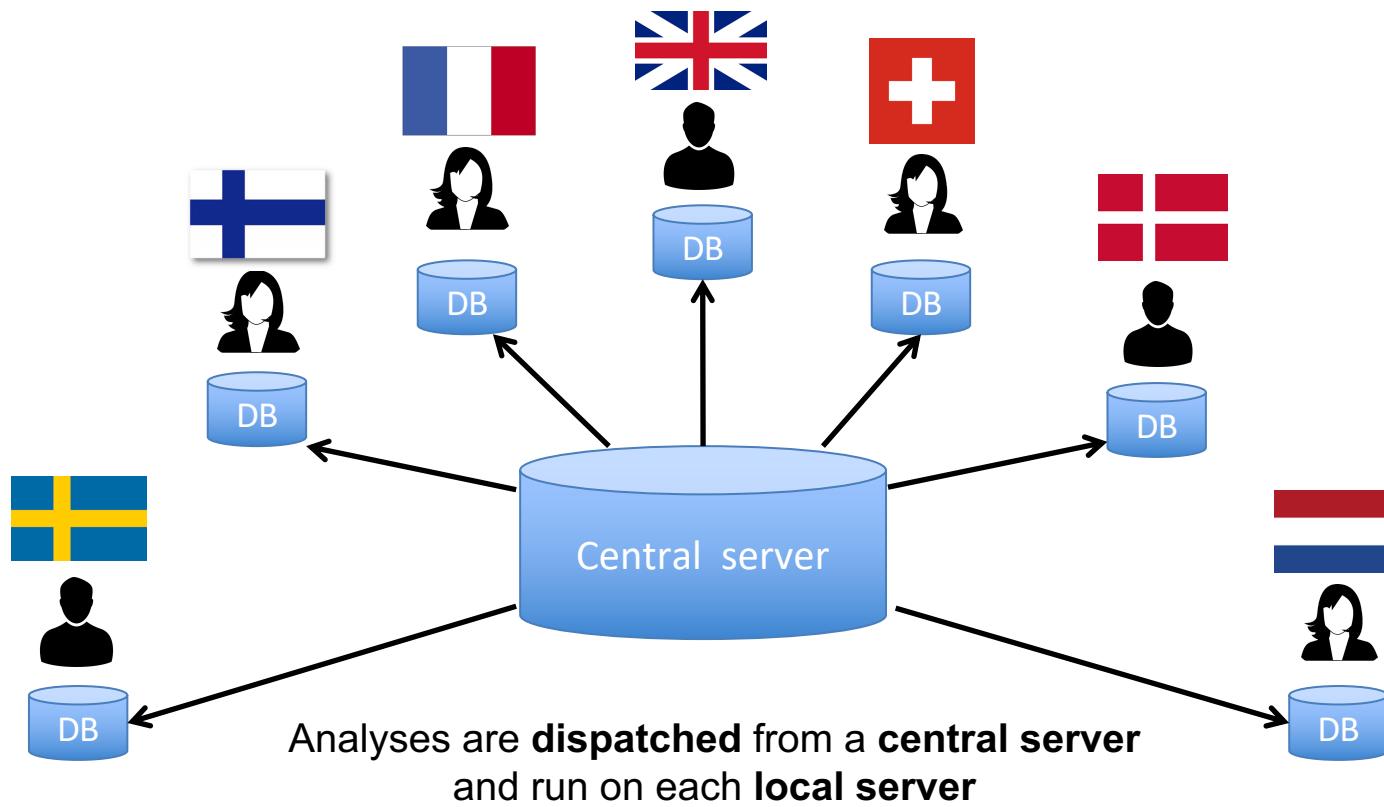


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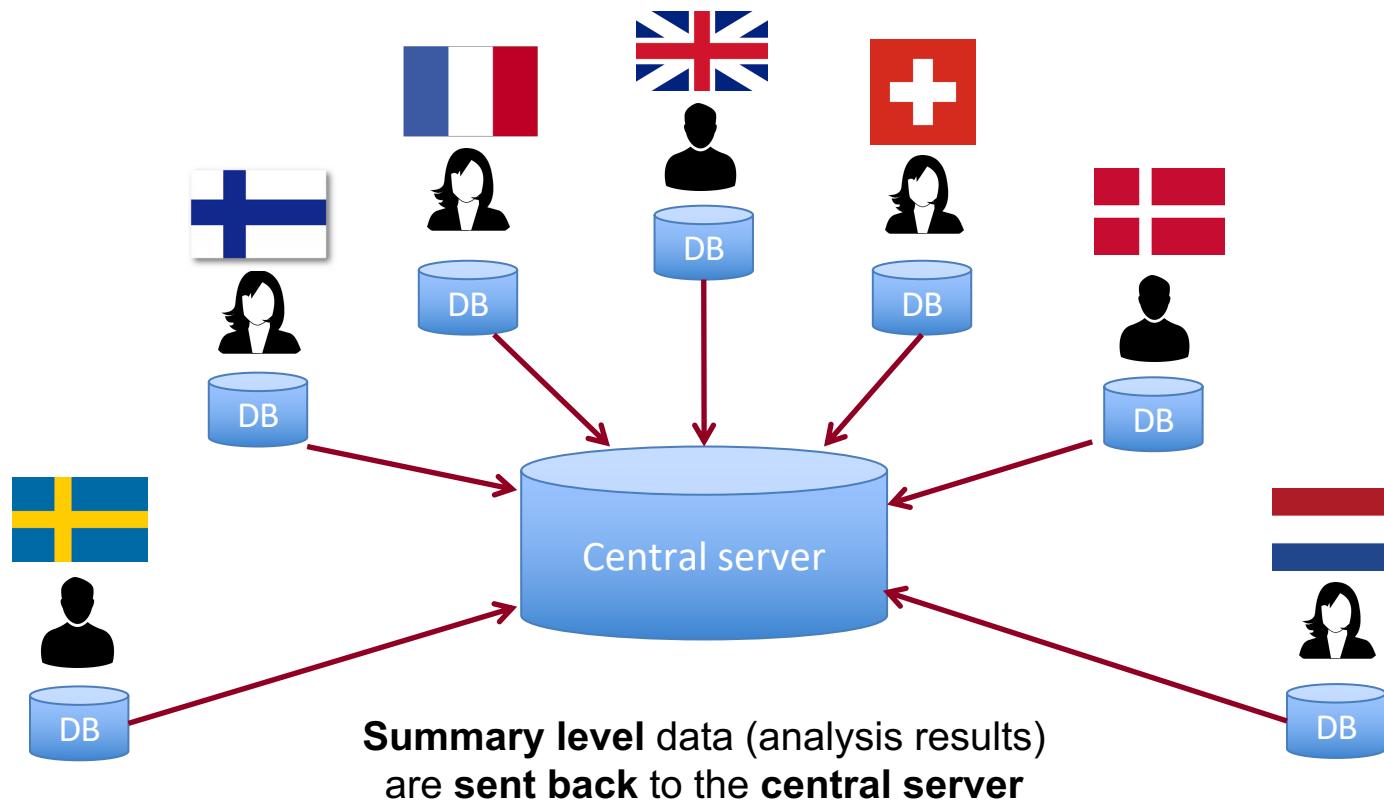
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- Les noms de variables et la structure de donnée sont différents, on doit donc faire des analyses séparées
- Les mesures dans chaque set de donnée ne sont pas forcément similaires ou équivalentes
- Il est donc difficile de comparer les analyses, donc d'évaluer si les résultats sont comparables

# Federated analysis is a possible solution



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# Avantages du système d'analyse fédéré

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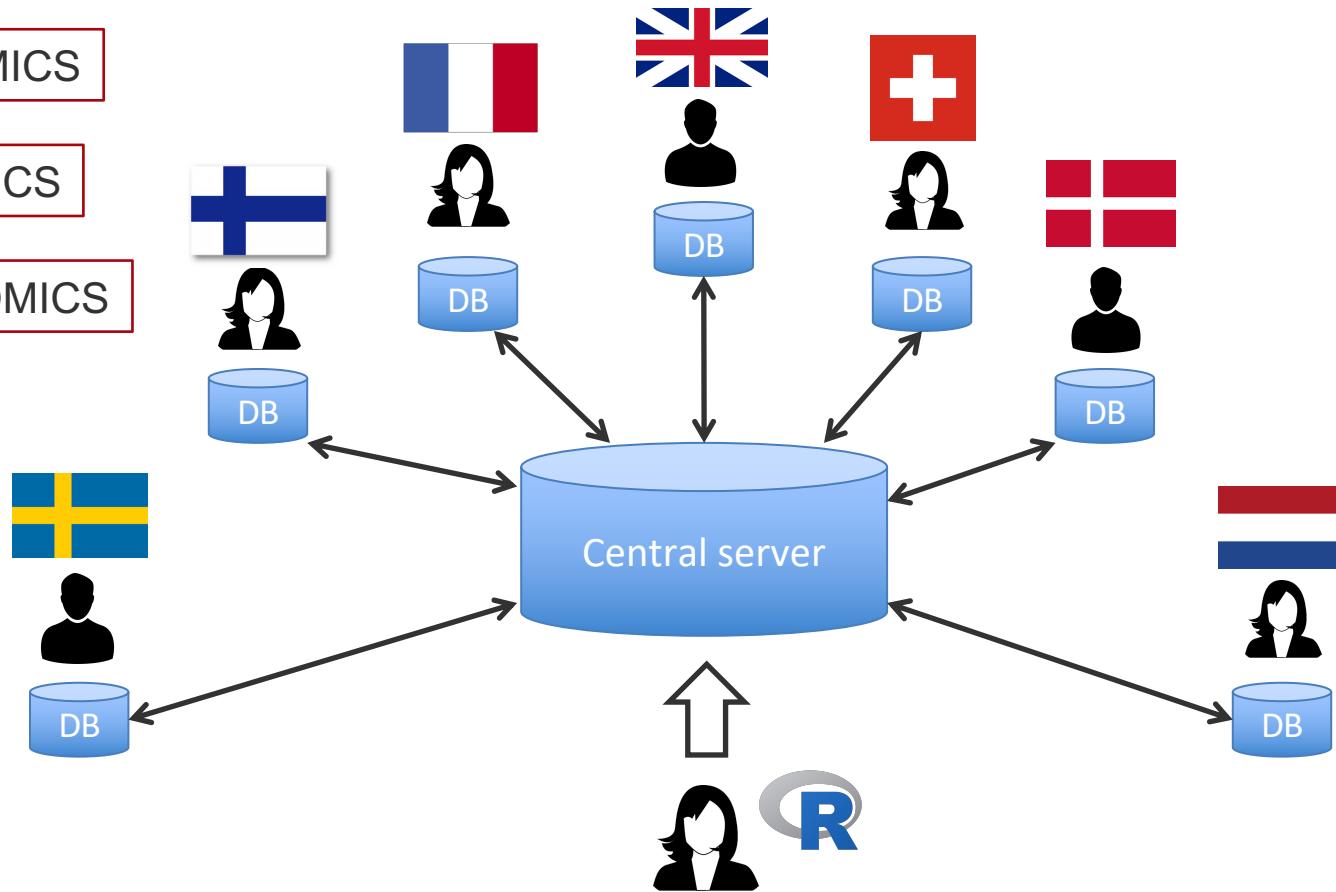
- L'analyse peut être effectuée **sans copier les données** sur un autre serveur, évitant d'éventuels problèmes éthiques ou de régulation
- Les data managers et administrateurs système locaux **gardent le contrôle** sur l'utilisation de leurs données
- Les analyses statistiques peuvent être **standardisées à travers les études / cohortes** (p.ex. les méthodes d'analyse, la gestion des variables continues, des time points, ...)
- **Accès à l'ensemble des variables**, contrairement à un sous-ensemble lors d'un transfers => plus flexible

# New data can be added and accessed

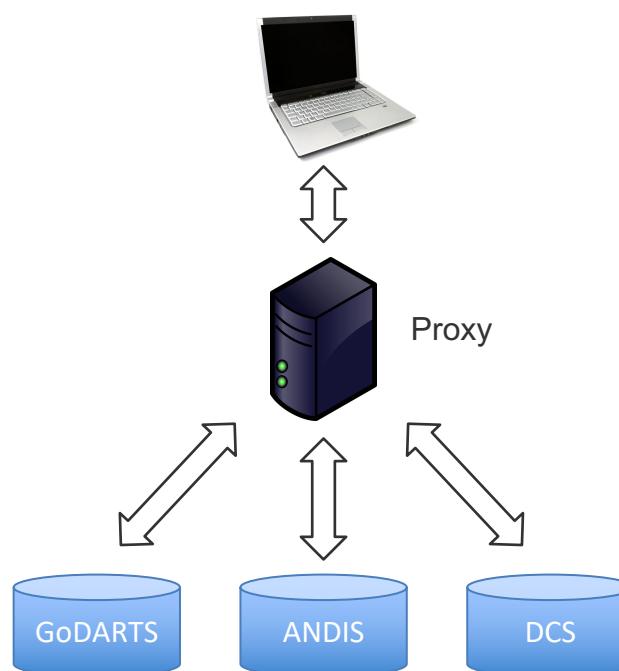
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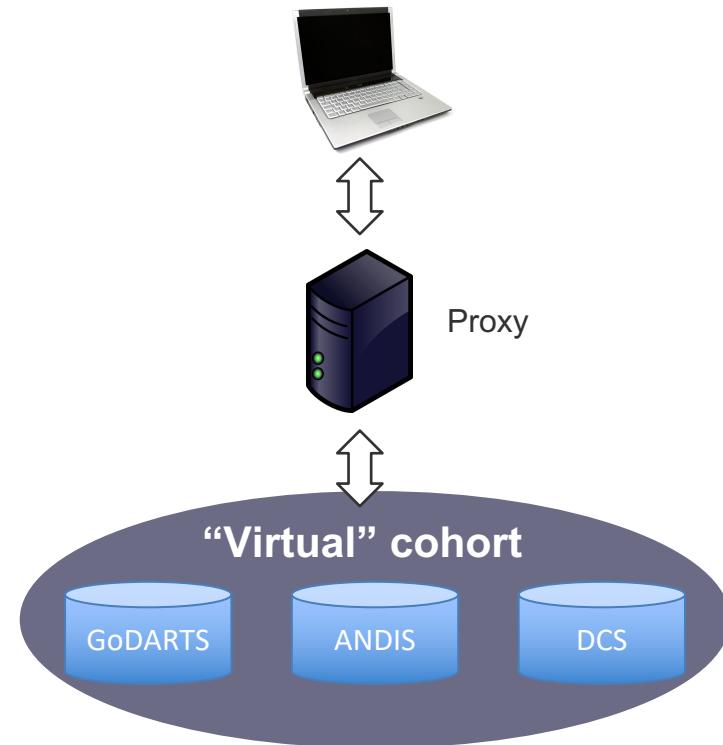


# Two modes of federated analysis are possible



## REPLICATION MODE:

The same analysis is performed on each cohort



## VIRTUAL COHORT MODE:

The analysis is performed as if there is a single cohort

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# Pourquoi harmoniser les données?

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- Pour s'assurer que les mesures entre cohortes peuvent être **comparées et analysées**, avec un format commun
- CDISC – SDTM semblait la meilleure option
  - Obligatoire pour les nouvelles études
  - Recommandé par l'IMI
  - Possibilité d'intégrer facilement des cohortes originellement capturées en SDTM par la suite

# Three main steps for setting up the federated database

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1. Cohort data harmonization in SDTM
  1. Mapping
  2. Conversion
  3. Vérification
2. Set up of remote IT infrastructure and loading of harmonised data on each node
3. Development of software for accessing the data and performing remote analysis

# Challenges techniques

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- Pour des raisons de privacité des données, nous ne recevons généralement des données que pour 10 ou 20 patients
- Les personnes sur les sites universitaires / hopitaux
  - Ne sont pas data manager
  - N'ont souvent pas beaucoup de temps à consacrer à la conversion
- Les données sont souvent dans une seule table, à assigner dans les domaines SDTM
- Les métadonnées sont à “collecter”

# Harmonisation “Jamborees”

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# Données reçues

- Liste des variables

variable clinical	Variable description	Unit
patid	patient number	1-2519 (UKR), 6001-6521 (UMM)
Gendercode	sex	1=male 2=female
clientID	center ID	3=Regensburg 25=Mannheim
visitDate_char_V1	date of inclusion into study	ddmmmyyyy
diabetes_char	date of diagnosis of type 2 diabetes	ddmmmyyyy
diabetesfirstdiag_char_V1	date of first receipt of glucose lowering therapy	ddmmmyyyy
hypertfirstdiag_char_V1	date of first receipt of antihypertensive therapy	ddmmmyyyy
smoke_ever_V1	ever smoker	1=yes, 2=no
Med_RAS_V1	ACE inhibitor and/or angiotensin receptros blockers and/or renin inhibitor	1=yes, 0=no
Med_AD_V1	glucose lowering therapy	1=yes, 0=no
Med_RAS_V2	ACE inhibitor and/or angiotensin receptros blockers and/or renin inhibitor	1=yes, 0=no
Med_AD_V2	glucose lowering therapy	1=yes, 0=no
BMI_V1	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2
RRsys_mean_V1	mean systolic blood pressure from two measurements	mmHg
RRdia_mean_V1	diastolic blood pressure from two measurements	mmHg
BMI_V2	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2

- "Dummy" data: souvent en format excel, format large

# Pseudo-code pour le mapping

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- Peut-être facilement utilisé par les curateurs
- Peut-être importé en R ou autre langage de programmation pour la conversion
- Intègre le code de mapping et les méta-données en plus de la CDISC Variable Name:
  - **CDISC Variable Mapping:** p. ex “1=Y,2=N,NA=NA”
  - **Associated CDISC Variables:** p.ex  
“LBTESTCD=GLUC;LBSPEC=PLASMA;VISIT=BASELINE”

# Mapping

variable clinical	Variable description	Unit	CDISC Variable Name	CDISC Variable Mapping	Associated CDISC Variables	CDISC table
patid	patient number	1-2519 (UKR), 6001-6521 (UMM)	USUBJID	NA	NA	ALL
Gendercode	sex	1=male 2=female	SEX	1=M,2=F,NA=NA	NA	DM
clientID	center ID	3=Regensburg 25=Mannheim	SITEID	38=Regensburg,39=Mannheim	NA	DM
visitDate_char_V1	date of inclusion into study	ddmmmyyyy	DMDTC	NA	VISIT=BASELINE	DM
diabetes_char	date of diagnosis of type 2 diabetes	ddmmmyyyy	MHDTC	NA	MHTERM=TYPE 2 DIABETES	MH
diabetesfirstdiag_char_V1	date of first receipt of glucose lowering therapy	ddmmmyyyy	MHDTC	NA		
hypertfirdiag_char_V1	date of first receipt of antihypertensive therapy	ddmmmyyyy	MHDTC	NA	MHTERM=HYPERTENSION	MH
smoke_ever_V1	ever smoker	1=yes, 2=no	SUCAT::SUOCCUR	1&2&NA=TOBACCO_FOR MER::1=Y,2=N,NA=NA 0&1&NA=AGENTS ACTING	VISIT=BASELINE	SU
Med_RAS_V1	ACE inhibitor and/or angiotensin receptors blockers and/or renin inhibitor	1=yes, 0=no	CMCAT::CMOCCUR	ON THE RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN SYSTEM::0=N,1=Y,NA=NA 0&1&NA=BLOOD	VISIT=BASELINE	CM
Med_AD_V1	glucose lowering therapy	1=yes, 0=no	CMCAT::CMOCCUR	GLUCOSE LOWERING DRUGS::0=N,1=Y,NA=NA 0&1&NA=AGENTS ACTING	VISIT=BASELINE	CM
Med_RAS_V2	ACE inhibitor and/or angiotensin receptors blockers and/or renin inhibitor	1=yes, 0=no	CMCAT::CMOCCUR	ON THE RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN SYSTEM::0=N,1=Y,NA=NA 0&1&NA=BLOOD	VISIT=1	CM
Med_AD_V2	glucose lowering therapy	1=yes, 0=no	CMCAT::CMOCCUR	GLUCOSE LOWERING DRUGS::0=N,1=Y,NA=NA 0&1&NA=AGENTS ACTING	VISIT=1	CM
BMI_V1	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2	VSORRES	NA	VTESTCD=BMI;VISIT=BASELINE	VS
RRsys_mean_V1	mean systolic blood pressure from two measurements	mmHg	VSORRES	NA	VTESTCD=SYSBP;VISIT=BASELINE	VS
RRdia_mean_V1	diastolic blood pressure from two measurements	mmHg	VSORRES	NA	VTESTCD=DIABP;VISIT=BASELINE	VS
BMI_V2	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2	VSORRES	NA	VTESTCD=BMI;VISIT=VISIT1	VS

# Explications du mapping + pseudocode

Original variable	Description	Values	SDTM variable	SDTM mapping	Associated SDTM	Domain
smoke_ever_V1	ever smoker	1=yes, 2=no	SUCAT::SUOCCUR	1&2&NA=TOBACCO_FORMER::1=Y,2=N,NA=NA	VISIT=BASELINE	SU
Med_AD_V1	glucose lowering therapy	1=yes, 0=no	CMCAT::CMOCCUR	0&1&NA=BLOOD GLUCOSE LOWERING DRUGS::0=N,1=Y,NA=NA	VISIT=BASELINE	CM
BMI_V1	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2	VSORRES	NA	VSTESTCD=BMI;VISIT=BASELINE	VS
BMI_V2	body mass index	weight in kg/height in m2	VSORRES	NA	VSTESTCD=BMI;VISIT=VISIT1	VS

# Tables SDTM utilisées

## SDTM Tables

DM: demographics

LB: laboratory test results

CM: concomitant medication (i.e. treatments)

MH: medical history (i.e. conditions & diseases)

VS: vital signs (e.g. weight, height, BMI)

SU: substance use (e.g. tobacco)

APMH: associated person medical history

# Conversion en R, exemples

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- Utilisation de listes pour ajouter les métadonnées

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"genderCode": {  
    "SEX": {  
        "1": ["M"],  
        "2": ["F"],  
        "NA": ["NA"]  
    }  
},  
"clientId": {  
    "SITEID": {  
        "38": ["Regensburg"],  
        "39": ["Mannheim"]  
    }  
}
```

- Utilisation de “merge” (par exemple pour les dates / codes de visites), de “melt” pour passer de données en large à en long

# Melt

patNr	glukosekorr_V1	glukosekorr_V2	glukosekorr_V3	HbA1c_percent_V1	HbA1c_percent_V2	HbA1c_percent_V3	CRP_V1	CHOL_V1
1	156	159.07	250	8.00598	8.00598	9.103976	0.76	228.46
2	165	214	138	7.91448	11.025469	6.907983	5.77	270.87
3	142	150.26	NA	7.639981	8.00598	NA	2.81	192.21
...	100	103.42	NA	5.992987	5.901487	NA	3.28	217.74
...	118	105.49	NA	6.999483	6.907983	NA	0.74	201.24
...	146	NA	NA	7.182482	NA	NA	2.34	284.32



patNr	variable	value
1	glukosekorr_V1	156
1	glukosekorr_V2	159.07
1	glukosekorr_V3	250
1	HbA1c_percent_V1	8.00598
1	HbA1c_percent_V2	8.00598
1	HbA1c_percent_V3	9.103976
1	CRP_V1	0.76
1	CHOL_V1	228.46

# Ajouter les méta-données en utilisant la liste de mapping

patNr	variable	value	LBORRES	LBTESTCD	LBSPEC	VISIT
1	glukosekorr_V1	156	156	GLUC	PLASMA	BASELINE
1	glukosekorr_V2	159.07	159.07	GLUC	PLASMA	VISIT1
1	glukosekorr_V3	250	250	GLUC	PLASMA	VISIT2
1	HbA1c_percent_V1	8.00598	8.00598	HBA1C	BLOOD	BASELINE
1	HbA1c_percent_V2	8.00598	8.00598	HBA1C	BLOOD	VISIT1
1	HbA1c_percent_V3	9.103976	9.103976	HBA1C	BLOOD	VISIT2
1	CRP_V1	0.76	0.76	CRP	SERUM	BASELINE
1	CHOL_V1	228.46	228.46	CHOL	SERUM	BASELINE

Puis merger avec la table des dates :

visitOrig	patNr	date	LBDTC	VISIT
visitDate_char_V1_1		03-Feb-10	2010-02-03	BASELINE
visitDate_char_V1_2		04-Feb-10	2010-02-04	BASELINE
visitDate_char_V1_3		18-Feb-10	2010-02-18	BASELINE
visitDate_char_V1_4		18-Feb-10	2010-02-18	BASELINE
visitDate_char_V1_5		19-Feb-10	2010-02-19	BASELINE
visitDate_char_V1_7		22-Feb-10	2010-02-22	BASELINE

# Vérification de la conversion

Diagnostic  
script

LBTESTCD	min(LBORRES)	max(LBORRES)	avg(LBORRES)	median(LBORRES)
CHOL	1.70	24.30	4.961617	4.80
CPEPTIDE	0.30	103.00	1.287961	1.15
CREAT	12.00	1282.00	89.176106	78.00
GAD	1.00	49.00	1.727868	1.00
GLU	1.00	88.00	10.370918	8.10

LBTESTCD	LBTEST	LBORRESU
CHOL	Cholesterol	mmol/l
CPEPTIDE	C-peptide	mmol/l
CREAT	Creatinine	µmol/l
GAD	Glutamic Acid Decarboxylase 1	U/ml
GLU	Glucose	mmol/l
HBA1C	Glycated Haemoglobin (A1c)	%
HBA1C	Glycated Haemoglobin (A1c)	mmol/mol

Number of patients:

DM 7354  
CM 7271  
LB 7354  
MH 7352  
VS 7351  
SU 7354

Patients not in

CM 83  
LB 0  
MH 2  
VS 3  
SU 0

Number of lines in the tables:

DM 7354  
CM 798470  
LB 1300750  
MH 29408  
VS 959138  
SU 7354

20 random patients  
double coded



Manually  
checked by Anne

## Quelques remarques

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- Nous avons parfois pris quelques libertés avec le format SDTM, le but était plus d'harmoniser que de coller parfaitement au standard (pas de soumission de donnée prévue)
- Plus généralement, ces cohortes sont très différentes de patients recrutés pour une étude clinique (ici pas treatment arm, exposure, adverse events, ...)

# Infrastructure: Introducing OBiBa software

The screenshot shows the OBiBa website homepage. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Products, Downloads, Documentation, About, and Careers. Below the navigation is a banner with the text "Mica 3.3 Released Variables cart, participants count, R API". The main title "Open Source Software for Epidemiology" is displayed in a large, bold font. Below it is a subtitle "Software solutions for data management, analysis and dissemination". A horizontal icon sequence shows a flask, a gear, a chart, and a cloud. The page then transitions into a section titled "Our Applications".

- Collect with Onyx**: An icon of a flask. Description: "Onyx is a comprehensive web application used to manage subject interviews and collect data in clinics or assessment centres. Using Onyx, studies can design and administrate advanced questionnaires and automate data capture directly from electronic medical instruments avoiding error prone manual data acquisition." [Learn more](#)
- Store with Opal**: An icon of a database with gears. Description: "Opal is the OBiBa's core database application for epidemiological studies. It is used to build study's central data repositories that integrate under a uniform interface data collected from multiple sources (including Onyx). Using Opal, studies can import, validate, derive, query, report, analyse and export data." [Learn more](#)
- Analyze with R and DataSHIELD**: An icon of a chart. Description: "DataSHIELD enables advanced statistical analysis across a network of Opal databases without the need of pooling and accessing individual-level data. This is a powerful tool for studies that can't share data for common ethico-legal reasons but still want to co-analyse in-depth their data in an extensive way." [Learn more](#)

[www.obiba.org](http://www.obiba.org)

# Infrastructure: Virtual machine with complete set of software to run a RHAPSODY node



## Dashboard

- Oracle VirtualBox platform 5.0.20
  - Runs on Linux, Solaris, Windows, Mac OS
- Oracle Enterprise Linux 7 as guest OS
- BioShare Opal 2.5.1 (the latest available)
  - MySQL 5.7.12
  - R 3.2.3
  - Opal-rserver
  - R studio
  - DataShield
  - Python API utilities
- Ready to be distributed (4GB)
- Repository and workbench for harmonized RHAPSODY data
- Only 15 GB disk space – needs additional volume(s) to be mounted, direct or NFS
- Needs node-specific analysis R script(s)

# Lists of analyses that are possible using the federated database (programmées en R)

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## Already Implemented:

- Quantiles, summaries, *glm* (DataSHIELD)
- *PCA*
- *Kmeans* clustering
- Fast linear regression
- Gaussian mixtures
- Random forests (*not fully tested*)

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Possible to run in  
“Virtual cohort” mode

- *KNN* imputation (*vim*)
- Cox proportional hazards (*coxph*)
- Conditional logistic regression (*clogit*)
- Linear mixed models (*nlme*)

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Possible to run in  
*Replication* mode only

## Work in progress:

- Similarity Network Fusion (SNF)

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In RHAPSODY we have built a **federated database** comprising **10 clinical cohorts**

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# *Available data in federated databases can be browsed on web interface*

Federated nodes status (live) ● ANDIS ● DIACORE ● German-CKD ● GoDARTS ● PROVALID

Cohort status Show status history

Cohorts andis godarts provald Filter cohort Show cohort filters

Visualization

Histogram Smooth scatterplot

7 variables present in at least n=3 cohorts

Variables CHOL (mmol L) A G P X

Actions Show histogram advanced parameters reset

andis recruitment godarts recruitment

Sliders for shared cohort variables

provalid baseline

Histograms and smooth scatterplots

The screenshot displays a web-based interface for browsing federated database cohorts. At the top, it shows the status of live nodes (ANDIS, DIACORE, German-CKD, GoDARTS, PROVALID). Below this, a 'Cohort status' section includes a 'Show status history' button. The 'Cohorts' section lists 'andis', 'godarts', and 'provald'. A 'Filter cohort' button and a 'show cohort filters' link are also present. The 'Visualization' section has tabs for 'Histogram' and 'Smooth scatterplot'. It displays three histograms for the variable 'CHOL (mmol L)' across three cohorts: 'andis recruitment' (n=1), 'godarts recruitment' (n=1), and 'provalid baseline' (n=1). The top histogram for 'andis' shows a distribution from 1.1 to 10.4 mmol/L with a peak around 4.4. The 'godarts' histogram shows a distribution from 1.1 to 10.4 mmol/L with a peak around 4.4. The 'provalid' histogram shows a distribution from 1.1 to 10.4 mmol/L with a peak around 4.4. A callout box highlights a slider labeled '3' for 'Variables' (CHOL, A, G, P, X) with the text 'Sliders for shared cohort variables'. Another callout box highlights the histograms with the text 'Histograms and smooth scatterplots'.

# Deep clinical phenotypes for ~50K individuals harmonised and federated in RHAPSODY

Cohort	Cohort type	No. Individuals
<b>GoDARTS</b>	Progression	9081
<b>ANDIS</b>	Progression	11549
<b>DCS</b>	Progression	5560
<b>BOTNIA</b>	Pre-diabetes	3354
<b>MDC</b>	Pre-diabetes	3008
<b>DESIR</b>	Pre-diabetes	5212
<b>COLAUS</b>	Pre-diabetes	6187
<b>ABOS</b>	Gastric bypass	249
<b>ADDITION-DK</b>	Progression	1533
<b>ADDITION-PRO</b>	Pre-diabetes	2093
<b>Total</b>		<b>47826</b>

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# Diabetes is actually five separate diseases, research suggests

By James Gallagher  
Health and science correspondent, BBC News

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Could there be five types of diabetes rather than just two?

**Scientists say diabetes is five separate diseases, and treatment could be tailored to each form.**

<http://www.bbc.com/news/health-43246261>

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Can we replicate the clusters using the  
federated database?

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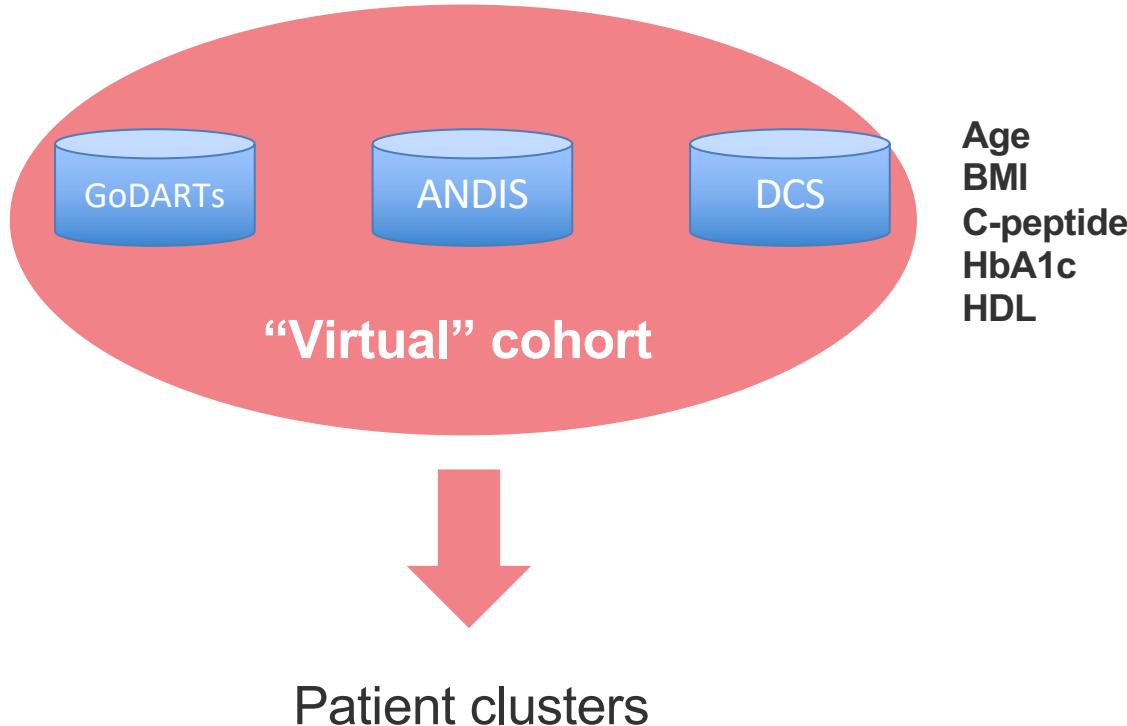
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Perform *kmeans* clustering using 5 clinical variables  
(HBA1c, Cpeptide, BMI, Age, HDL) on  
**ANDIS**, **DCS** and **GoDARTS** cohorts through the  
RHAPSODY federated database

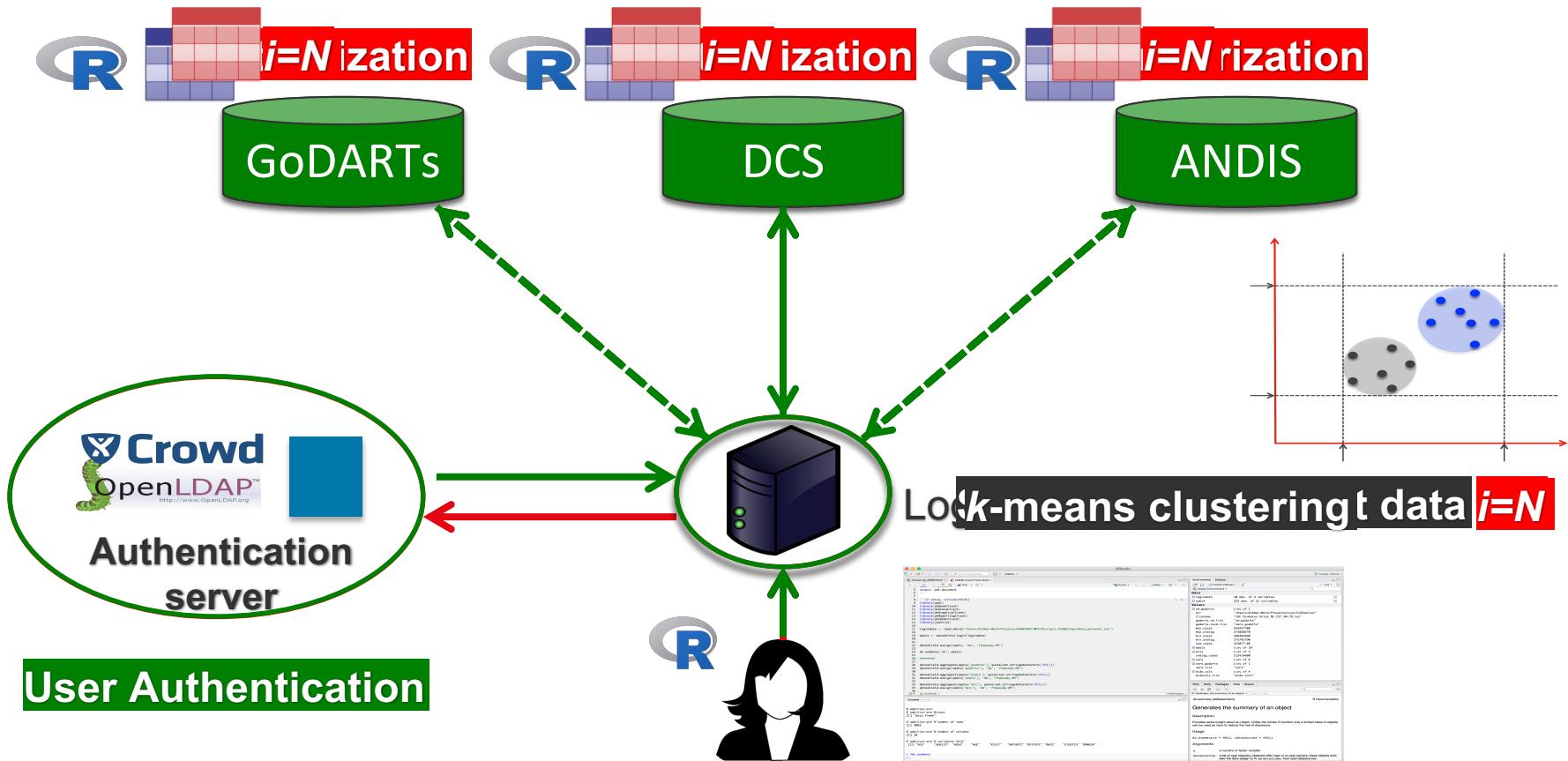
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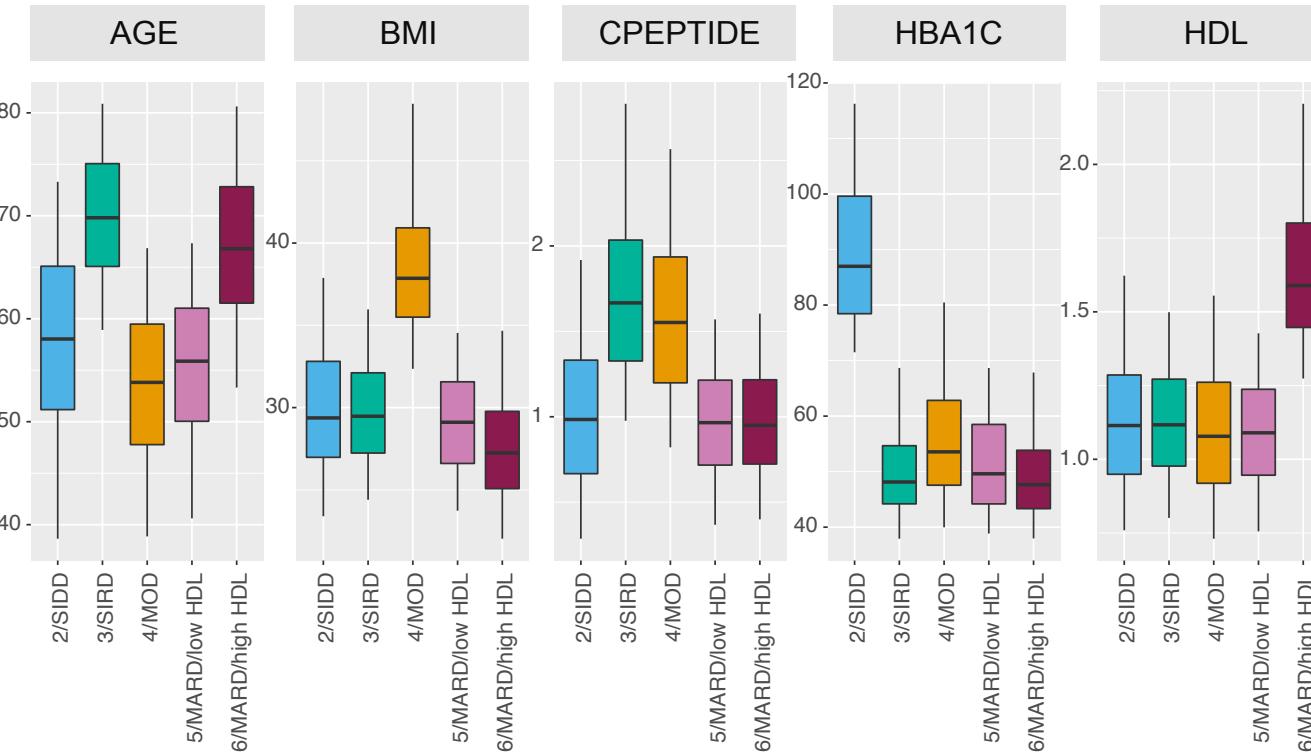
# Federated $k$ -means clustering using 5 variables



# How it works ..

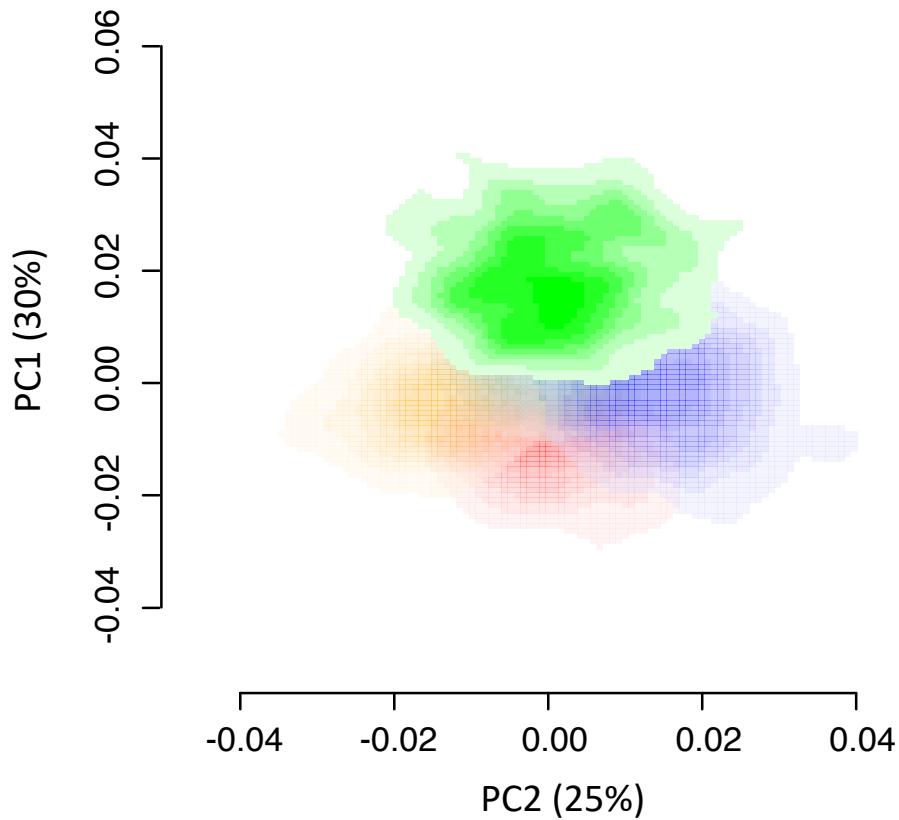


# Clustering reproduced on a “virtual” cohort comprising ANDIS, DCS and GoDARTS cohorts



# Federated PCA on “virtual” cohort comprised of DCS + ANDIS + GoDARTS (N=5723)

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# Take home messages

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- Nous avons pu montrer que **l'analyse de multiples cohortes cliniques** est possible à travers un **système fédéré** et **l'harmonisation** des données en utilisant CDISC-SDTM
- Une partie des analyses peut être effectuée comme si les données avaient été “poolées” physiquement, sans toutefois **qu'aucune donnée individuelle de patient** ne quitte son environnement local
- L'analyse de donnée en système fédéré peut bénéficier d'une **puissance statistique augmentée** par l'analyse groupée de plusieurs cohorts, tout en respectant les contraintes **légales et éthiques**.

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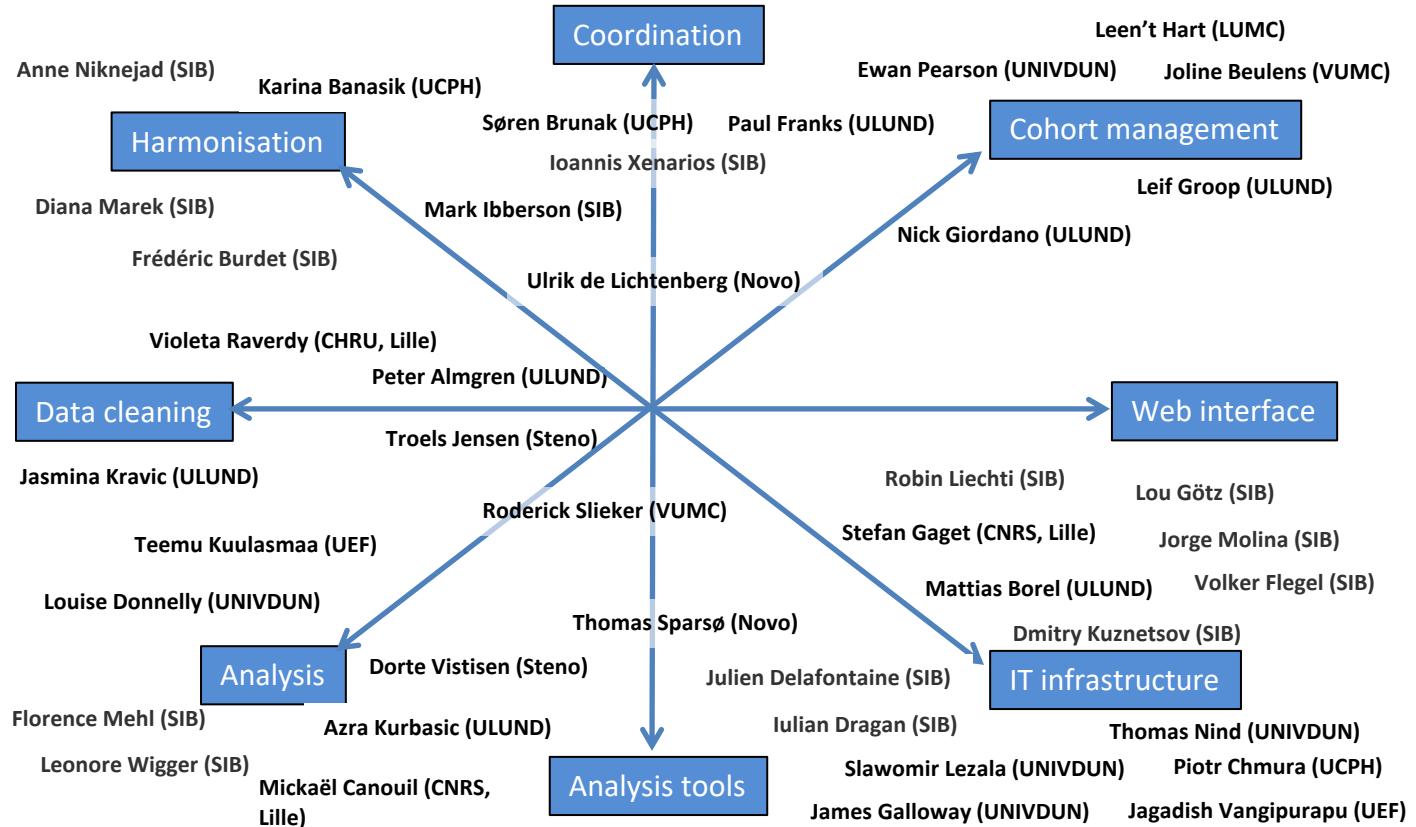
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# RHAPSODY

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# Slides backup



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