

DATABASES, RESOURCES AND TOOLS  
FOR ANTIMICROBIAL RESEARCH

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# Comparing and reporting AMR results using hAMRonization

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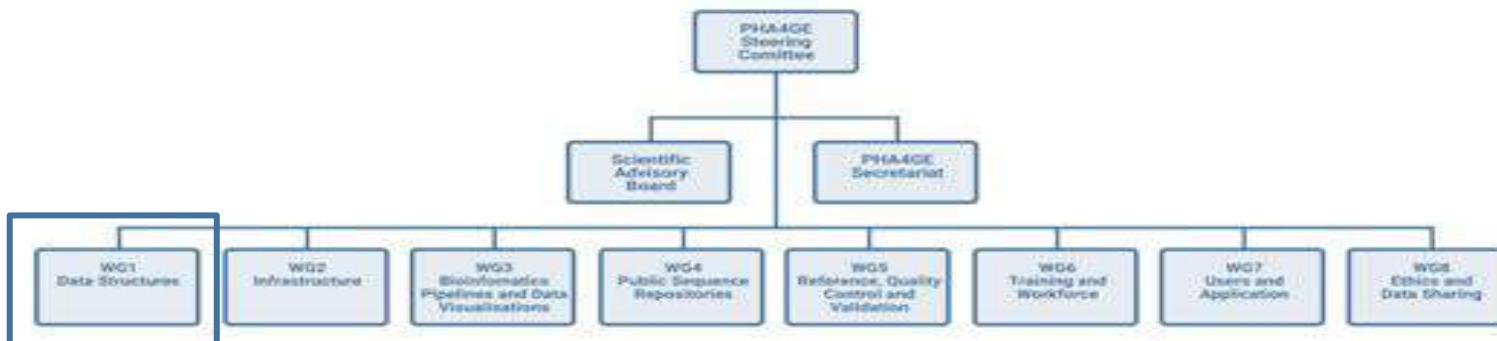
# PHA4GE - Data Structures Workgroup



## Public Health Alliance for Genomic Epidemiology

<https://pha4ge.org/>

The **Public Health Alliance for Genomic Epidemiology (PHA4GE)** is a global coalition that is actively working to establish consensus standards; document and share best practices; improve the availability of critical bioinformatic tools and resources; and advocate for **greater openness, interoperability, accessibility and reproducibility in public health microbial bioinformatics.**





**Dr Emma Griffiths**  
*Chair*

## Main

## Goal:

Develop, share, promote **data standards and standardized data** models to improve data harmonization, integration, transformation, sharing, and control/security.

### Areas of Interest:

Metadata standards, ontologies and conventions; Contextual data harmonization and sharing; Data inputs/outputs, APIs and interoperability; Result reporting and views; Data Security and Encryption; Identity management for role/resource based access

### Current projects:

- SARS-CoV-2 Contextual Data Specification
- Gene Detection/AMR Output Specification

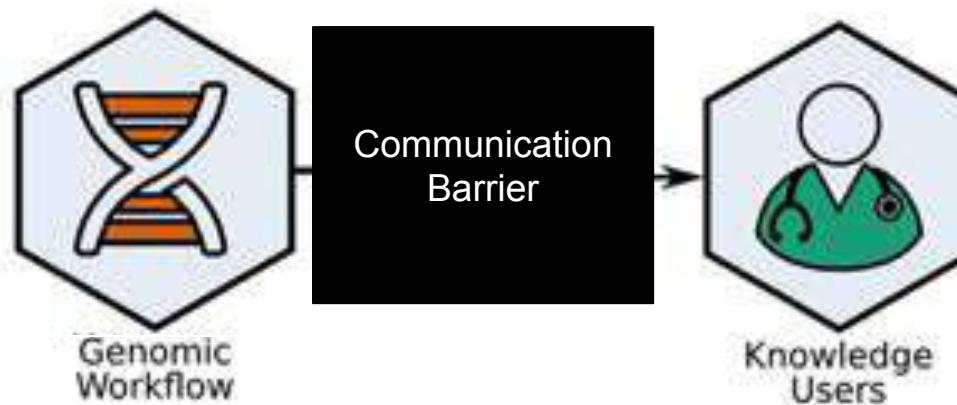


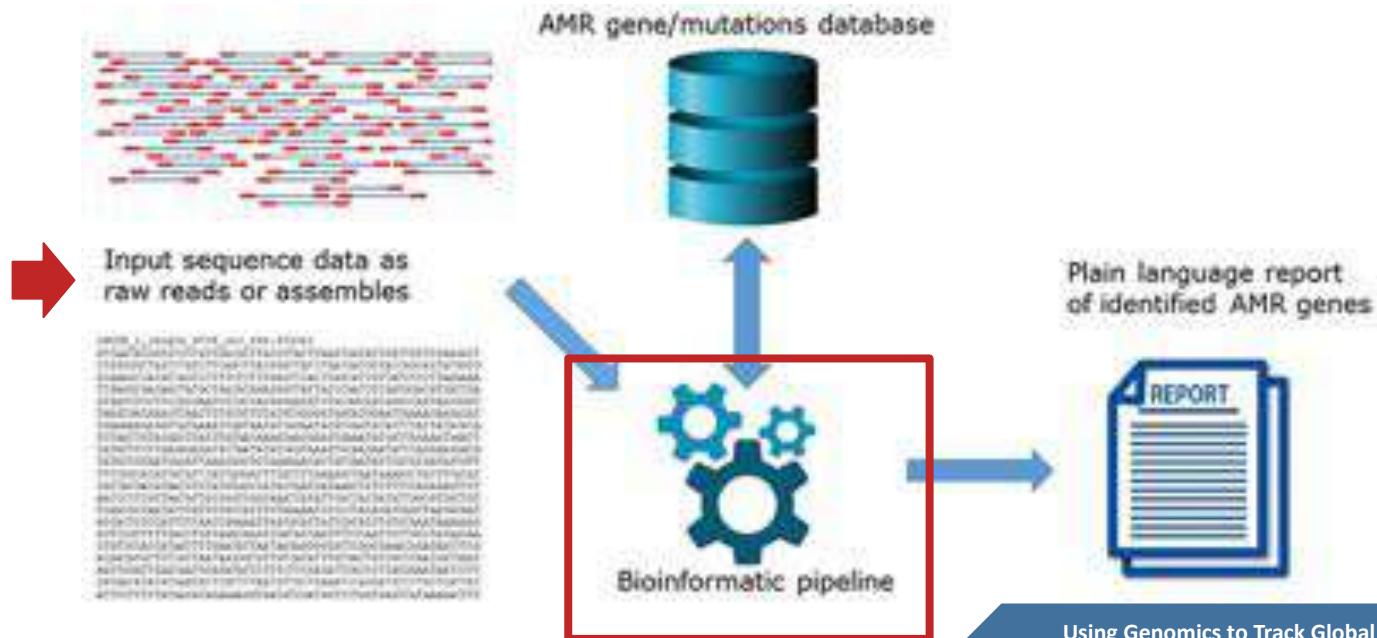
# The Antimicrobial Resistance Data Problem



Antimicrobial resistance (**AMR**) represents a growing public health crisis of global scope and relies on the **detection of AMR genes from genomic data**.

A large number of **different bioinformatic tools** have been developed to perform this task but **differ in supported inputs**, search algorithm, parameterisation, underlying reference databases and **output formats**.





Using Genomics to Track Global Antimicrobial Resistance  
Hendriksen et al, Front. Public Health, 2019

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tseemann/abricate

AMRFinderPlus																			
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## FAIR DATA PRINCIPLES

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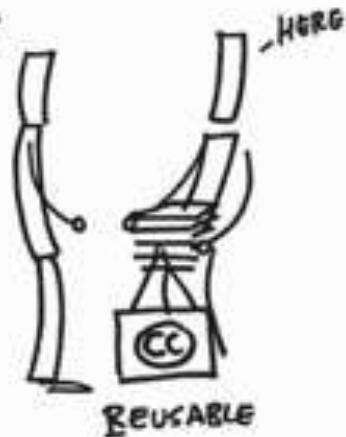
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ACCESSIBLE



INTEROPERABLE



REUSABLE

The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship  
Wilkinson et al, Scientific Data, 2016

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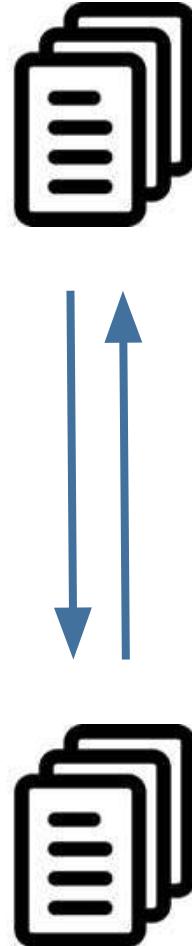
The **lack of standardization** in the reporting of **AMR gene detection** greatly hinders the comparison of results across the public health sector. The myriad of options available for this purpose highlights **a grave interoperability problem**.

# Standardized Output Specification

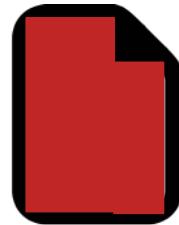
Data **specification** for the detection of AMR genes based on **harmonisable, publicly available, community standards** implementable via a **report template** with a **standardized list of labels and terms** and respective **ontology identifiers**.

## Mandatory terms:

- Input File Name
- Gene Symbol
- Gene Name
- Sequence Identity
- **Reference Database ID**
- **Reference Database Version**
- Reference Accession
- Reference Sequence Length
- Target Sequence Length
- **Analysis Software Name**
- **Analysis Software Version**



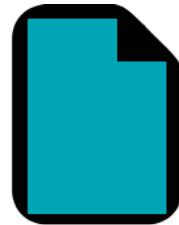
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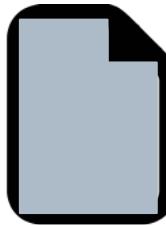
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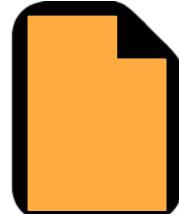
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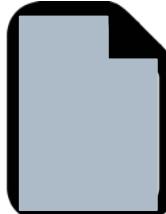
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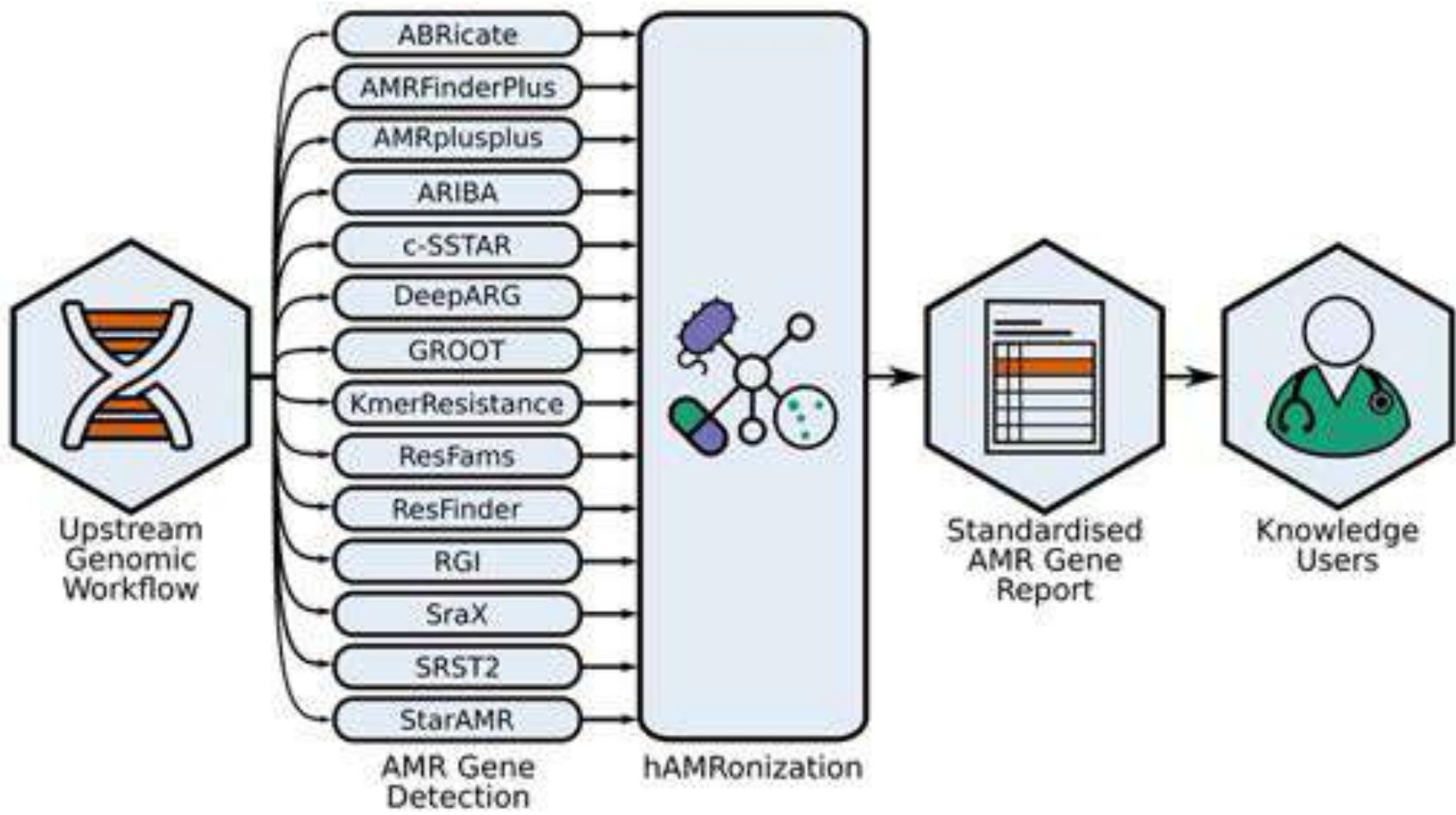


# Standardized AMR Gene Detection Output



AMR Prediction Tools	hAMRonization Workflow	hAMRonization Package	Standardized Output Specification
<i>Lots of software with different output formats.</i>	<i>Run any dataset through the set of tools.</i>	<i>Take tool-specific output and reformat to standardized output.</i>	<i>Enables consistent comparison of AMR genes detected by different tools.</i>

**The hAMRonization package automates conversion to a standardized output where tools can be built on.**



# 2.

We developed a **standardized data specification** to improve data harmonization and interoperability, implemented in a **Biopython-compatible parser** and **command-line utility**.

# The hAMRonization Workflow



[https://github.com/pha4ge/hAMRonization\\_workflow](https://github.com/pha4ge/hAMRonization_workflow)

**Snakemake workflow** to run **14 different species-agnostic AMR gene detection tools** selected tools on a dataset, installing **fixed versions** of the tools from **conda** on execution.

## Ensures:

- Reproducibility
- Scalability

## Tool inclusion criteria:

- Specificity for AMR gene detection
- Open-source



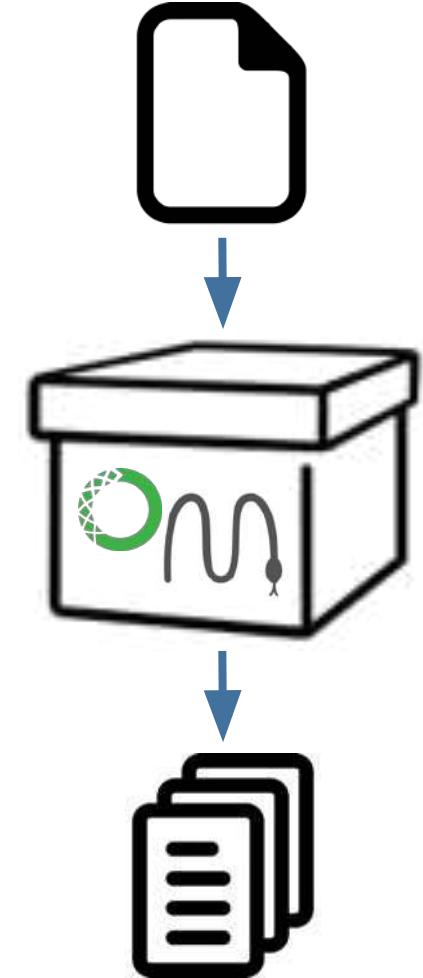
Dr Finlay Maguire



Dr Adam Witney



Dr Simon Tausch



# The hAMRonization Package



<https://github.com/pha4ge/hAMRonization>

**Biopython-compatible parser** and **command-line utility** automatically transformation of reports from 14 different species-agnostic AMR gene detection tools into “hAMRonization”-compatible reports.

**Validation** and programmatic use of the **specification** was facilitated via the development of **JSON** and **SALAD** schemata. **Validation** of the parsing utilities ensured by unit testing.



Dr Finlay Maguire



Inês Mendes



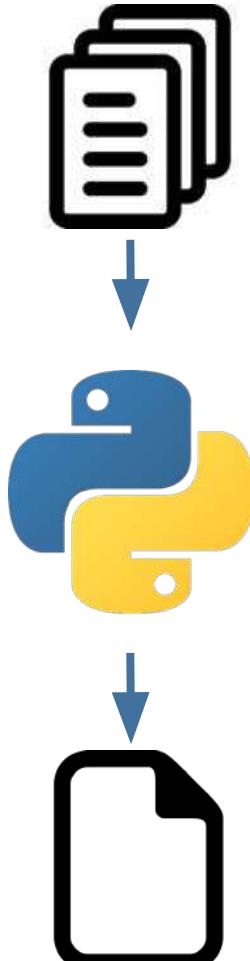
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Amos Raphenya



And Counting!



# The hAMRonization Package



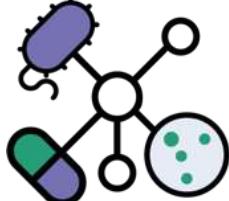
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An example from abricate:

```
> hamronize abricate <report> --reference_database_version <version> \  
--analysis_software_version <version> --format json  
  
Applies hAMRonization specification to output from abricate (OUTPUT.tsv)
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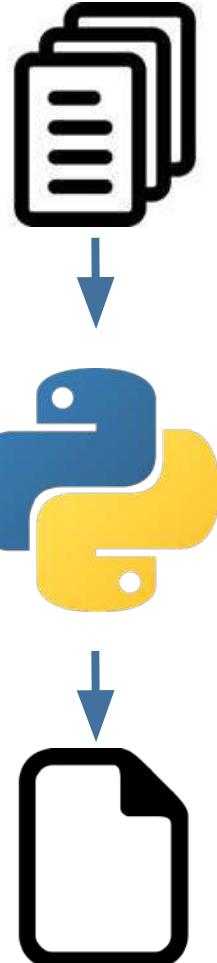
Combining all the reports:

```
> hamronize summarize --summary_type interactive <list of reports>
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## Summary output formats:

- TSV
- Json
- Interactive HTML



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Search Show Only Genomes With Hits Restore Results

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ERR873310	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873311	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873312	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits

Search Results

Total hits: 9

Genomes with hits: 12

Tools with hits: 5

Differential results: 3

Selected

Compare Clear

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Search Show Only Genomes With Hits

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ERR873309	11 hits	14 hits	14 hits	6 hits	11 hits
ERR873310	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873311	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873312	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits

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Search Results

Total hits: 12

Genomes with hits: 12

Tools with hits: 5

Differential results: 3

Selected

Compare Clear

	abricate: config 0	amrfinderplus: config 0	cstar: config 0	resfinder.py: config 0	staramr: config 0
ERR873305	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873306	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873307	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873308	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873309	10 hits	14 hits	14 hits	6 hits	11 hits
ERR873310	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873311	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873312	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits

<https://hamronization-demo.herokuapp.com>

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# The hAMRonization Package



<https://github.com/pha4ge/hAMRonization>

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Search | Show Only Genomes With Hits | Restore Results

	abricate: config 0	amrfinderplus: config 0	cstar: config 0	resfinder.py: config 0	staramr: config 0
ERR873305	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873306	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873307	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873308	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873309	18 hits	14 hits	14 hits	6 hits	11 hits
ERR873310	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873311	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
ERR873312	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits

Search Results

Total hits: 111

Genomes with hits: 10

Tools with hits: 5

Differential results:

- Selected

Compare | Clear

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Show Only Genomes With Hits | Restore Results

	abricate: config 0	amrfinderplus: config 0	cstar: config 0	resfinder.py: config 0	staramr: config 0
ERR873305	11 hits	10 hits	10 hits	6 hits	9 hits
	aac(9)-29a	aac(9)-29a	aaC(2)	aac(9)-29a	aac(9)-29a
	aph(3')-Ib	aph(3')-Ib	aph(3')	blaNDM-2	aph(3')-Ib
	blaOXA-395	blaOXA-315	blaOXA-3	carB7	blaOXA-50
	blaPDE-158	blaPDE-3	blaVIM-2	carP	blaVIM-10
	blaPDE-55	blaVIM-2	blaVIM-2	blaVIM-2	blaVIM-3
	blaVIM-2	carB7	blaVIM	blaVIM	blaVIM-3
	carB7	opP	carB7	carP	carB7
	cmrB1	issA	carB7	carP	issA
	crpP	issCDEF1	carP	issT	issT
	issA	issATR	issATR	issT	issT
			issT		

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Show Only Genomes With Hits | Restore Results

foxA-354827590	foxA	foxA
ERR873305	foxA	ERR873305
abricate: config 0	amrfinderplus: config 0	cstar: config 0
input_file_name	ERR873305	ERR873305
gene_symbol	foxA-354827590	foxA
gene_name	FoxA family fofoxin resistance glutathione transferase	FoxA family fox/oxin resistance glutathione transferase
reference_database_id	nblast	NCBI Reference Gene Database
reference_database_version	2020-Apr-13	2020-03-30 (1)
reference_accession	NR_047881.1	WP_000222801
analysis_software_name	abrcatf	amrfinderplus
analysis_software_version	1.2.1	3.0.10
sequence_identity	91.53	94.22
config_id	grIBNUCD30f877905_34	grIBNUCD30f877905_34
query_start_aa		
query_stop_aa		
query_start_nt	8771	8274

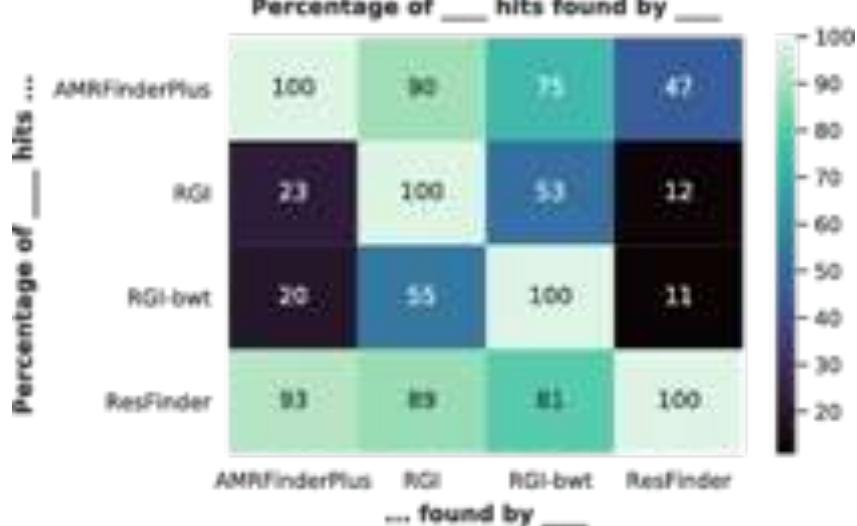
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# 3.

The hAMRomization allows the **dissemination of results to stakeholders in a single consistent format**, allowing not only the comparison of tools and databases, but the validation of results through multiple detection algorithms.

# 89 *Klebsiella pneumoniae* sequence data



**RGI:** BLASTp + CARD

**RGI bwt (beta):** Bowtie2 + CARD

**AMRFinderPlus:** BLASTx + BARRG DB

**ResFinder:** BLASTn + ResFinder DB



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	RGI			
	RGI	bwt	AMR	Res
Total # unique gene names	140	223	70	46

# 87 *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* sequence data

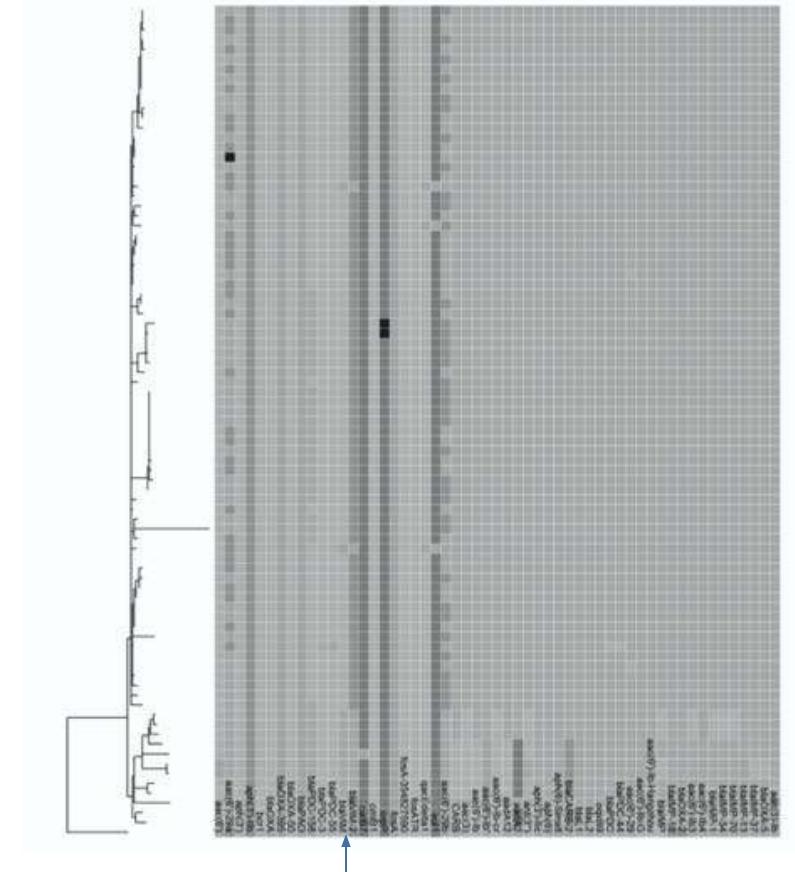


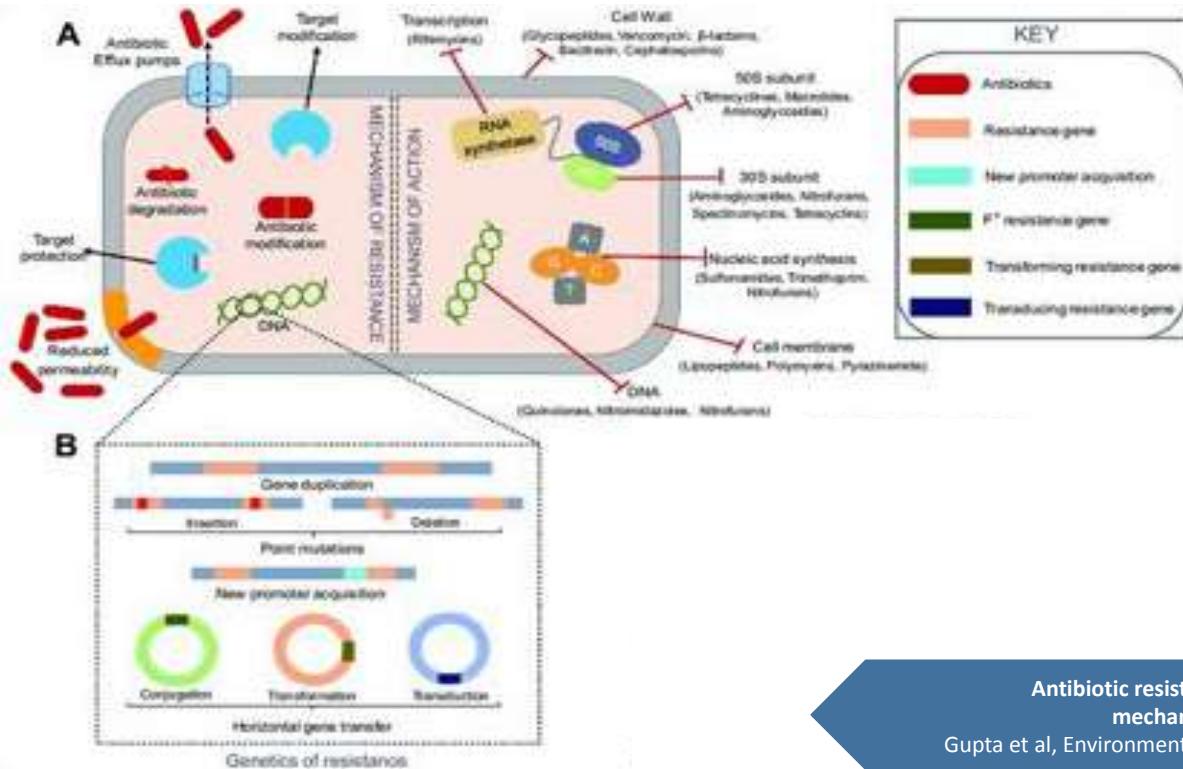
Isolates (ST=111) associated with Metallo-Carbapenemases resistance outbreak in the United Kingdom

- Most isolates (73) carried VIM-2, conferring the resistance phenotype
- Dataset run on **abricate**, **amrfinderplus**, **csstar**, **resfinder** and **staramr**
- Multiple tools finding the same genes increases evidence, which increases confidence



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Antibiotic resistance dissemination  
mechanisms and pathways

Gupta et al, Environment International, 2020



# Standardized Output Specification

## The hAMRonization Package



<https://github.com/pha4ge/hAMRonization>

### Gene Detection Standard



### Mutation Detection Standard

#### Additional terms:

- **Genetic Variation Type**
- Predicted Phenotype
- Predicted Phenotype Confidence Level
- Nucleotide mutation
- Nucleotide mutation interpretation
- Protein mutation
- Protein mutation interpretation
- Frequency of variant

# Standardized Output Specification

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**Sequence variant nomenclature** system implemented for genetic changes and denoting sequence coordinates.

Due to the vast types of genetic changes that might occur, nomenclature is not easily understood. Programmatic interface to provide an interpretation is required.

<https://varnomen.hgvs.org/recommendations/general/>  
<https://github.com/conmeehan/laymansHGVS>

# The TB-Profiler case study



**TBProfiler database** (tbdb) incorporates **1541 individual mutation/resistance** associations across 16 anti-tuberculosis drugs



<https://github.com/jodyphelan/tbdb/>

- **Genetic Variation Type:** protein\_mutation
- Nucleotide mutation: c.1349C>T
- Nucleotide mutation interpretation:

*This is a subst found in rpoB at position 1349 where the reference has a C and the sample has a T*

- Protein mutation: p.Ser450Leu
- Protein mutation interpretation:  
*This is an amino acid subst found in rpoB at position 450 where the reference has a Serine and the sample has a Leucine*
- Frequency of variant: 0.57



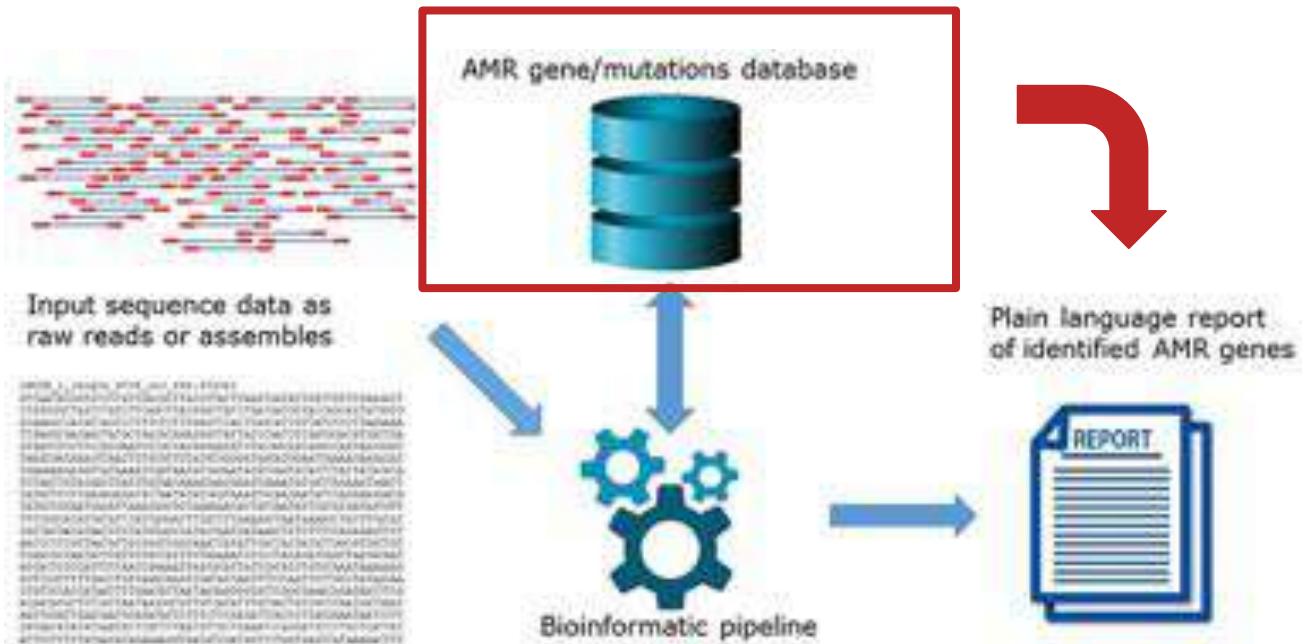
Jody Phelan



Conor Meehan

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Resistance phenotypes can be not only plasmid-mediated, or due to the presence of whole genes, but also chromosomal mutations. The ability to detect **not just gene absence/presence**, but **more granular changes** is of uttermost importance for different public health analyses.



Using Genomics to Track Global Antimicrobial Resistance  
Hendriksen et al, Front. Public Health, 2019

# AMR Database Harmonization

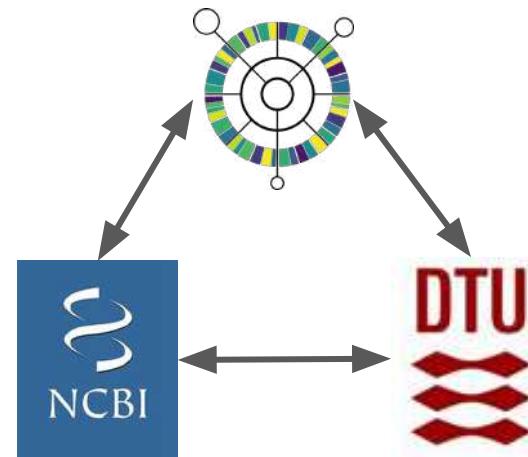


## Charm<sup>(Db)</sup>

(pronounced 'charmed' /tʃɑ:(r)mɪd/ )



<https://gitlab.com/antunderwood/chamredb>



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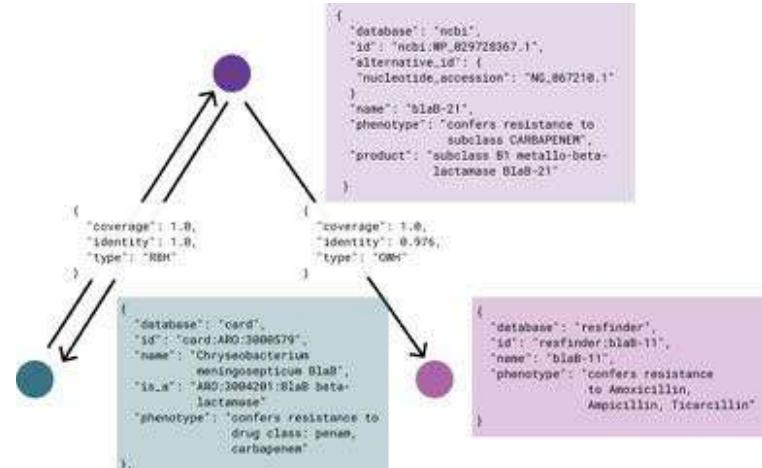
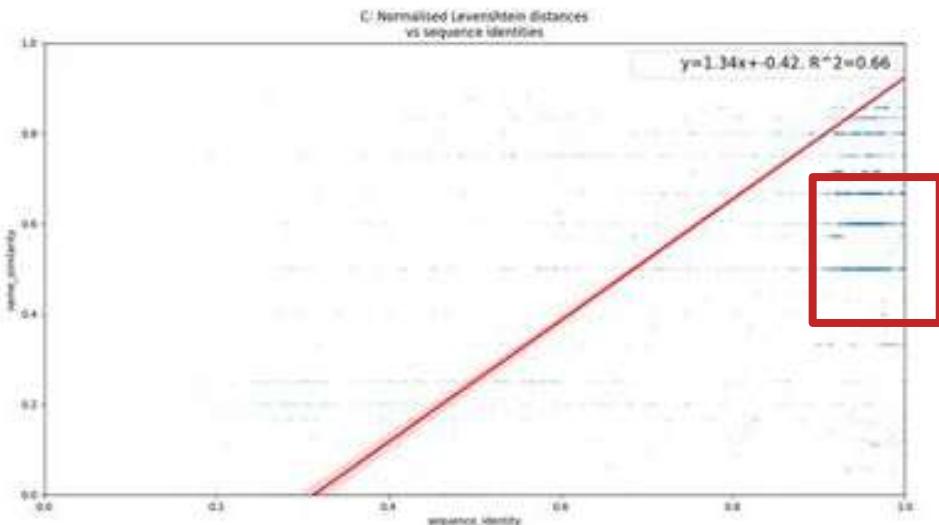


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Varun Shamanna

# AMR Database Harmonization



# AMR Database Harmonization



```
$ chamredb query -d ncbi -i qnrB2
```

```
qnrB2 (qnrB2)
  phenotypes: confers resistance to subclass QUINOLONE
  products: quinolone resistance pentapeptide repeat protein QnrB2
  taxid
    + ARG2892735 (QnrB2)
      coverage: 1.0
      identity: 0.995
      type: RDB
      PMID: [3489938241]
      Is_xi: ARD:388419:quinolone resistance protein (qnr)
      phenotypes: "confers resistance to antibiotics: gatifloxacin, sparfloxacin, levofloxacin, nalidixic acid, moxifloxacin, ciprofloxacin, norfloxacin", "confers resistance to drug class: Fluoroquinolone antibiotic"
      taxid
        + qnrB2 (qnrB2)
          coverage: 1.0
          identity: 1.0
          type: RDB
          phenotypes: confers resistance to Ciprofloxacin
```

# AMR Database Harmonization



```
$ hamronize abricate report.tsv --reference_database_version db_v_1 \
--analysis_software_version tool_v_1 --format json
```

...

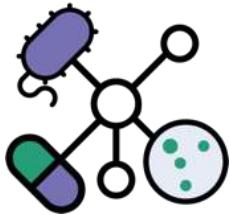
```
$ hamronize summarize -o hamronize_summary.json -t json *.json
```

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$ chmreldb query -j hamronize_summary.json -o hamronize_summary.tsv
```

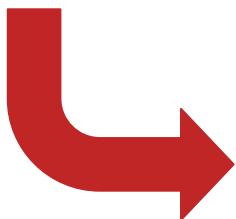
Charm 😍 D<sub>b</sub>



# AMR Database Harmonization



Charm 😍 D<sub>b</sub>



sample	id	database	name	metadata	AI
G18002568	NG_047244.1	ncbi	aac(3')-Ila	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass GENTAMICIN; product: aminoglycoside N-acetyltransferase AAC(3')-Ila	AI
G18002568	NG_054648.1	ncbi	ant(3')-Ila	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass STREPTOMYCIN/SPECTINOMYCIN; product: aminoglycoside nucleotidyltransferase ANT(3')-Ila	AI
G18002569	NG_049444.1	ncbi	blaOXA-146	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass CARBAPENEM; product: OXA-23 family carbapenem-hydrolyzing class D beta-lactamase OXA-146	AI
G18002569	NG_053852.1	ncbi	sul2	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass SULFONAMIDE; product: sulfonamide-resistant dihydropteroate synthase Sul2	AI
G18002570	NG_047282.1	ncbi	aac(6')-Ian	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass AMIKACIN/KANAMYCIN/TOBRAMYCIN; product: aminoglycoside N-acetyltransferase AAC(6')-Ian	AI
G18002570	NG_049326.1	ncbi	blaNDM-1	phenotype: confers resistance to subclass CARBAPENEM; product:	AI

# 5.

A unified global picture requires not only a **common ground** for the comparison of results from different **tools**, but a way to compare the **databases** that are used to generate those results.



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