Biobanking for the 100,000 genomes project

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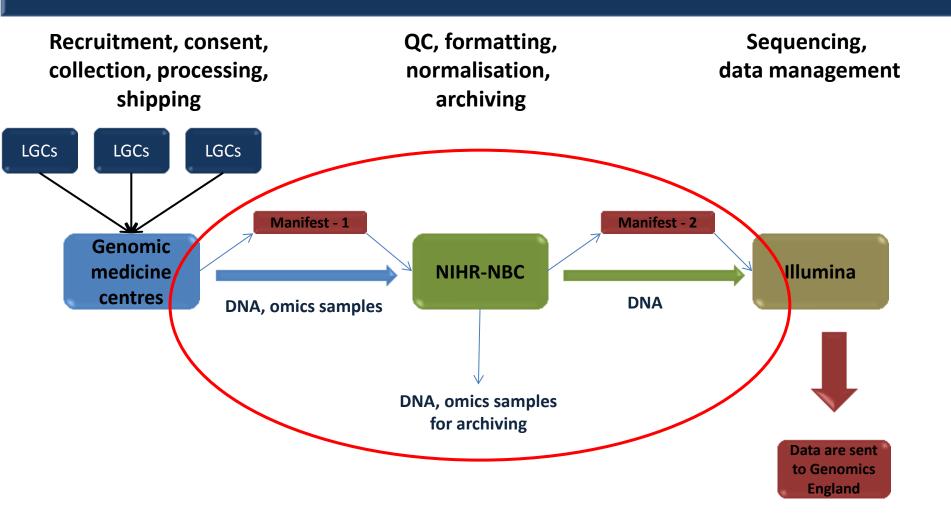




The challenge

- Scale
- Quality
- Patient to sample/data to clinician
- Impact of pre-analytical variables vs cost of process
- Distributed collaborator network
- Data management
- Time

The approach



The solution – NIHR National Biosample Centre

- Support studies involving human volunteers/patients.
- Support NIHR-funded and other academic/NHS research on a cost-efficient basis.
- Researchers can access the full range of biobanking and sample assay services;
 - High throughput, high quality
- Charges are on a fee-for-service basis
- Control of the samples is maintained by the study.
- The range of processes and assays will evolve to the needs of the researcher.



The service concept

Pre-requisites:
Quality and consistency in processing and analysis
Robustness and security of the data trail

Study design

Clinical trials,
Cohort studies,
Diagnostics,
Basic research
studies,
Public Health
initiatives

Study operations:

Process/technology/IT design and testing

Sample collection and logistics
Sample processing
Sample distribution

Data management Regulatory management Project management H&S Reporting Sample archiving Sample retrieval Sample assay

Quality management
Operations
management
Financial control

Data analysis

Implementing an industrialised approach

Infrastructure

- supply chain
 - logistics
 - data

Technology

- enabling technology
- technology in parallel activities
 - technology equilibrium

Organization

- availability of manpower
 - skill levels
- structure of the organization

Scientific production methods

- planning and process description
- technical specification and testing
 - tolerances
 - standardisation

Fit for Quality/focus on purpose

The core resource

- High throughput, flexible sample processing.
- Very large ultra-low temperature automated sample archiving capacity – impact on quality and accuracy
- Fully redundant back-up capacity.
- Downstream processing and quality control.
- Fully automated sample curation and distribution.
- Strategic partnerships forming

The challenge of scale

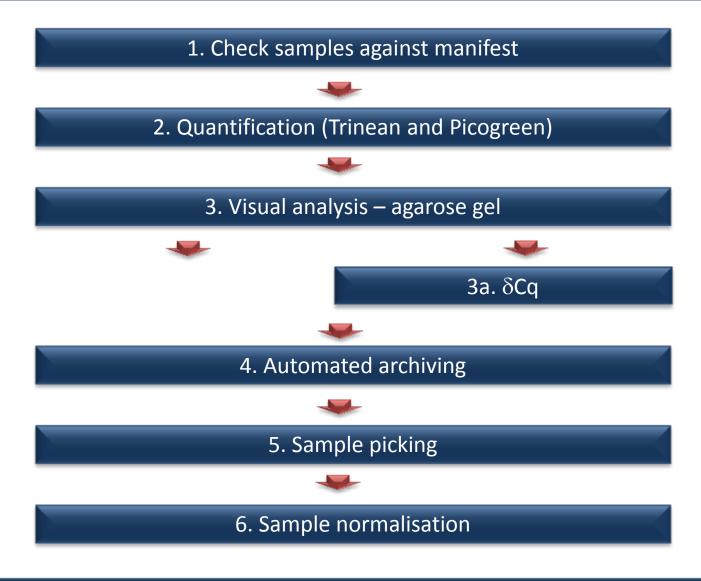
- At peak recruitment, NIHR-NBC will be receiving samples from 500 patients per day
- 500 DNA samples
- 50 plates "omics samples" per fortnight



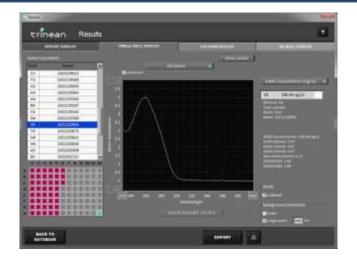


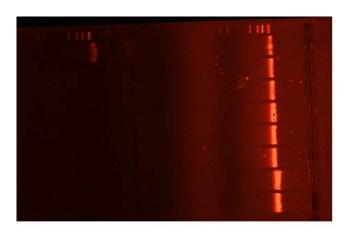


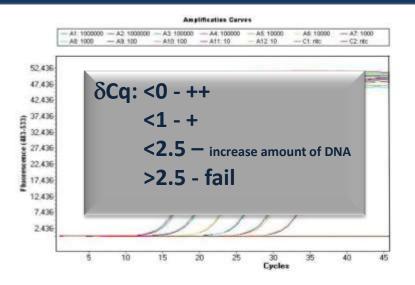
The challenge of quality

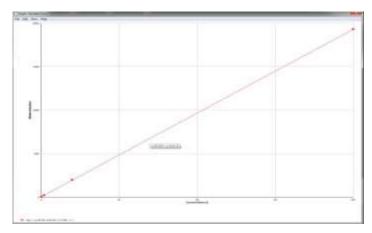


The challenge of quality









The challenge of data attribution

Manifest - 1

<u>GMC – Genomics England - NIHR-NBC</u>

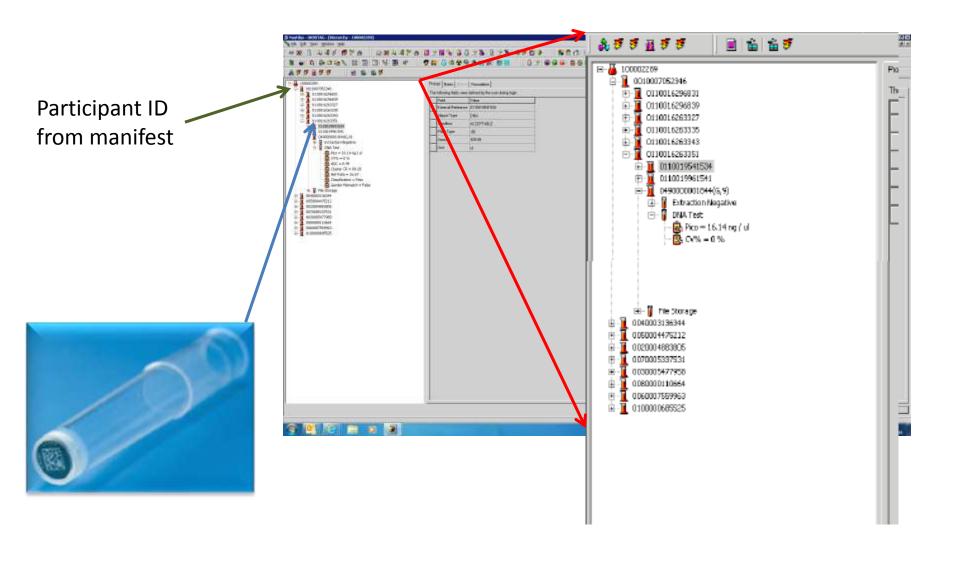
- Participant ID
- Group ID identification of trios for rare disease
- Disease area
- Location details/sample details
- Laboratory ID
- Plating sequence

Manifest - 2

NIHR-NBC – Genomics England – (Illumina)

- Volume
- ID and Plating sequence
- Genomics England add additional data e.g. gender

Challenge of patient – data-sample – storage - transfer



Summary

- Genomics England has established a robust, secure and scalable process.
- Involves multiple partners working to unified standards.
- The processes have been "bedded in" and are approaching rapid scale-up.
- The NIHR-NBC is a critical component in this process.
- It was conceived and implemented for this type of study and has the capacity and infrastructure to support many others.