



# Finnish Biobanks Cooperative – FINBB Founding Partners

**Hospital Districts** 













Universities









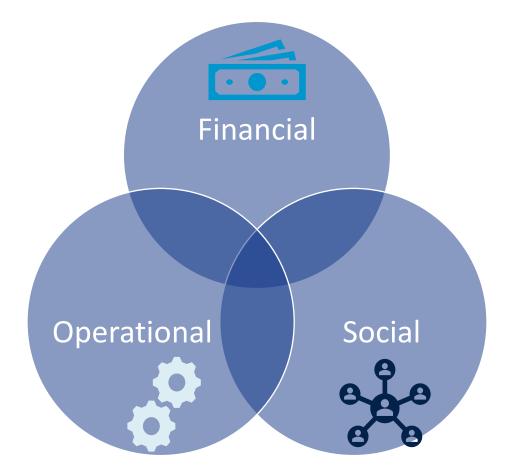




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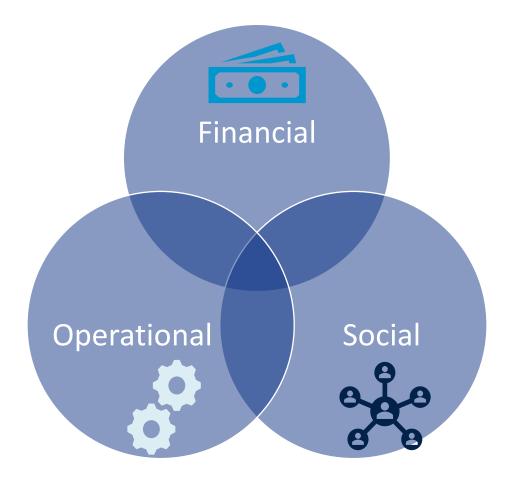




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- Business plan
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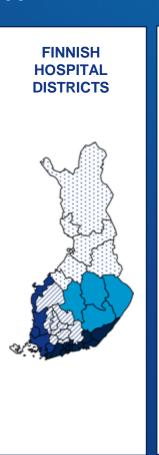
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## Fingenious® - Your Gateway to Finnish Biobanks and Biomedical Research











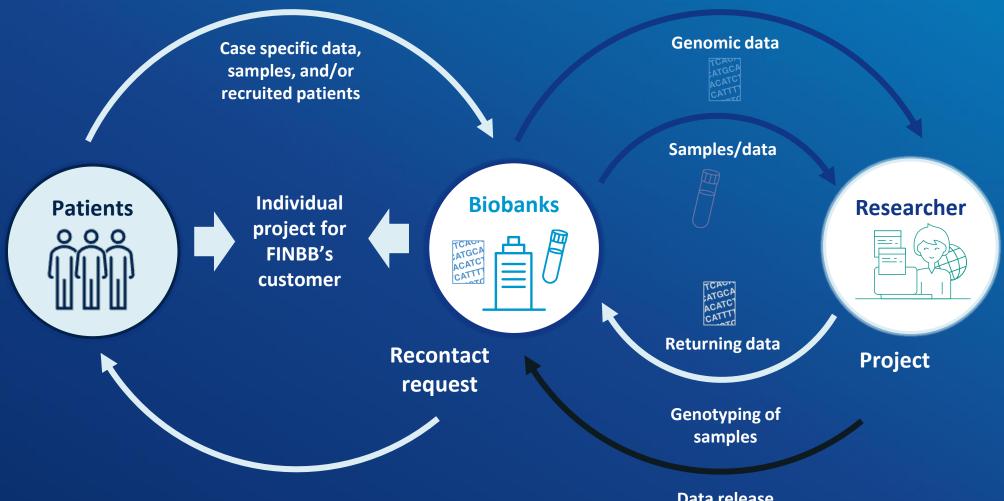


- Sample, data and study participant finding
- One point of contact for all Finnish public biobanks
- **Expertise and Strategic** Partner finding on RWD and **RWE** studies

Researchers



### Our sustainable business model

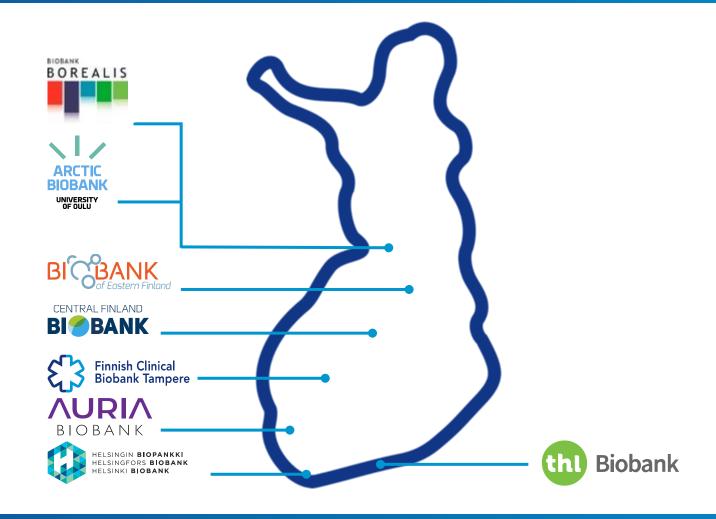


**Data release** 



## Gateway To Finnish **Biobanks**

- Over 13 million samples
- Extensive amount of data
- Study participants
- Expertise





## Fingenious® service and collaboration







Register with Fingenious for









## Key figures of Fingenious® service in 2021

Biobank reseach projects



(growth +17% vs 2020)

108

Number of oncology projects (growth +54% vs 2020)





Number of feasibility requests increased in all biobanks

**22%-49%** vs 2020



Number of access requests increased in all biobanks

**22%-127%** vs 2020







Scientific peer-reviewed publications in 2021

> 200





FinnGen: Unique genetic insights from combining isolated population and national health register data. medRxiv 2022.03.03.22271360; doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.03.03.22271360

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## Real-life collaboration

## FinnGen – the largest biobank research project in Finland







#### FIN-HIT STUDY

The Finnish Health in Teens Study (Fin-HIT) is a follow-up study from childhood to early adulthood that focuses on the causal relationships between genetic and various lifestyle factors that affect weight and health. Material currently available for



#### TWIN STUDY

The Twin study is a large research collection of data and samples from Finnish twins. The Twin study available in THL Biobank consist of DNA samples and GWAS data from more than 14 000 participants as: well as longitudinal data collected by questionnaires



#### FINNISH IPF STUDY

The Finnish IPF cohort includes patients with confirmed diagnosis of idiopatic pulmonary fibrosis: (IPF), a progressive lung disease. Currently, DNA and GWAS data from over 300 patients, as well as serum. and PBMCs from the subset of patients are available



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#### CONNECTING COHORTS WITH BIOBANKS

CoCobi is a cohort formed to study healthy aging. It. contains 1.39M unique sample donors from Arctic Biobank, Biobank Borealis of Northern Finland and THL Biobank. The joint resource contains harmonized health and lifestyle data, and data to



#### HELSINKI UROLOGICAL BIOBANK

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#### **HEALTH 2000 AND 2011 SURVEYS**

A comprehensive 10-year follow-up survey of the Finnish population containing total of 8600 sample donors recruited in 2000 and 2011. The research material available in biobank consists of extensive health data, large-scale omics data (GWAS, WES,



#### **FINHEALTH 2017 STUDY**

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#### THL DIABETES STUDIES

THE Diabetes cohort is a combination of several diabetes studies conducted in Finland between 1986. and 2013. The cohort consists of samples and data (including GWAS from > 10 000 participants) from more than 13 500 young donors with type 1



#### MIGRAINE STUDY

One of the largest family collections of migraine research consisting of more than 9500 participants. The genetic data in THL Biobank includes GWAS data from over 8400 sample donors, WES data from 490 donors and WGS data from more than 600 donors.



#### THE PSYCHIATRIC FAMILY COLLECTIONS

Research cohort includes patients diagnosed with bipolar spectrum disorders (BPD), schizophrenia (SZ) or schizoaffective disorder (FSZ) and their family members. The data consist of a wide range of phenotypes, neurocognitive tests as well as GWAS



#### **HELSINKI HEART STUDY**

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#### ATBC, LUNG CANCER PREVENTION STUDY

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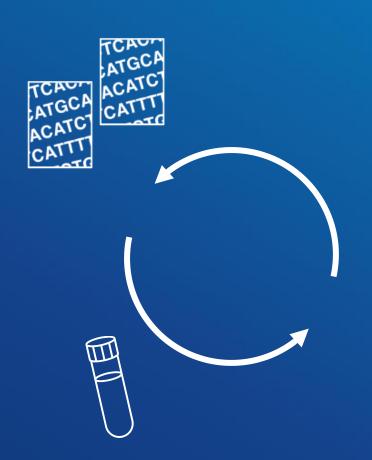
#### COROGENE STUDY

Corogene study includes over 5000 patients with coronary artery disease (CAD) and other related heart diseases, such as heart failure and aortic valve. disease. All patients (aged 65.6 rTt.) years) had been assigned for coronary angiogram at the Helsinki



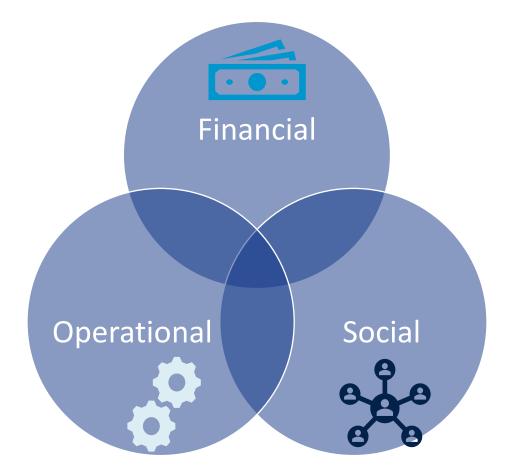
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### Take Home Messages

- Biobank sustainability financial, operational and social
- Fingenious® service provides access to unique Finnish biobank samples, data and patients – sustainable collaboration
- Registration at www.fingenious.fi

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# Thank you!

