

ELIXIR - A distributed infrastructure for life-science information

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Does bioinformatics matter?



Tracking the source of infectious disease



- Methicillin-resistant MRSA
 (Staphylococcus aureus) infection is a
 global problem.
- Transmission can be tracked using small variations (SNPs) in genome sequences.

 Tracking technology can easily identify the source of new outbreaks within wards and throughout the world.

Genome-wide analysis of crop plants

- Population growth and climate change: major challenges to food security.
- Traditional routes to crop improvement: too slow to keep up with demand.
- Plant genomes: identify which species are most tolerant to drought, salt and pests while still providing optimum nutrition.



Matching the treatment to the cancer

 One in 10 women in the EU will develop breast cancer before the age of 80.

 Can identify patterns of genes that are active in different tumours, allows earlier diagnose and treatment of cancers



Genome-assisted breeding



Marine Metagenomics Workshop, Nov 26-30, 2018, Tromsø, Norway

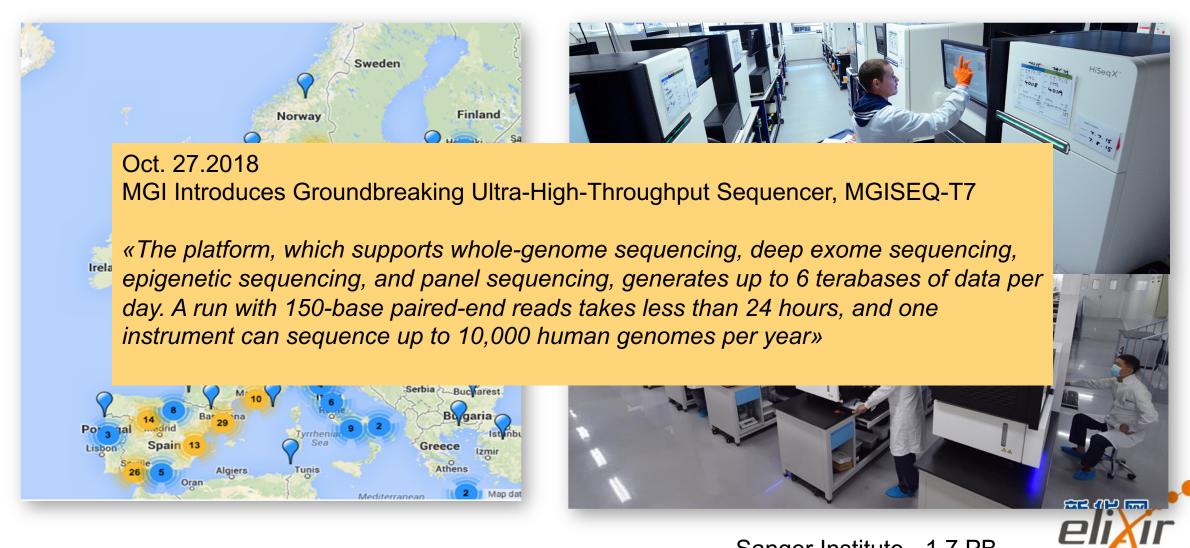
- New technologies for genetic enhancement of aquaculture species, includes marker-assisted selection (MAS), genome selection (GS), and genome editing (GE) are now in use.
- MAS allowed production of Infectious Pancreatic Necrosis (IPN)-resistant salmon, leading to a 75% reduction in the number of IPN outbreaks in the salmon farming industry.



Challenges



The data challenge: Geographic spread



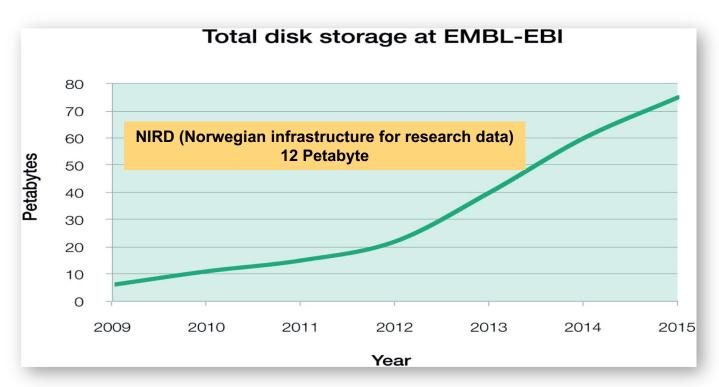
We generate data faster than we can deposit it (and analyze)

•			Network file transfer	rate
24 hours			100 mbps	
	DNA sequencing			
	~6TB		~6 days	
	In Europe			
	~ 15.000 hospital ~ 4.000 universities ~ 2.000 life sciences research institutes			
	~4 TB		~4 days	

Data growth in the life sciences

2018 ??? Petabyte



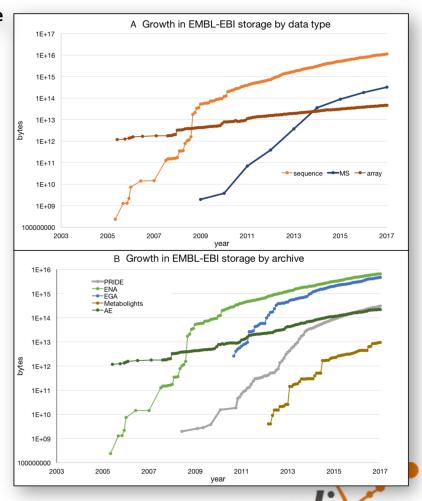


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Cook C.E. et al., Nucl. Acids Res. 2016;44:D20-D26

Cook C.E et al., Nucl. Acids Res. Nov 25, 2017 doi:10.1093/nar/gkx1154

Sigma2: https://documentation.sigma2.no/storage/nird.html





Data resources in life science

Non-vertebrate genomics

Structure

Metabolic and signalling p...

Nucleotide sequence

Protein sequence

1685 databases

Human and other vertebrate genom...

RNA sequence

Other

Human genes and diseases

Research, 2016, Vol. 44, Database issue

The 2016 database issue of Nucleic Acids Research and an updated molecular biology database collection (2016) Rigden, Fernandez-Suarez and Galperin. Nucleic Acids

Plant

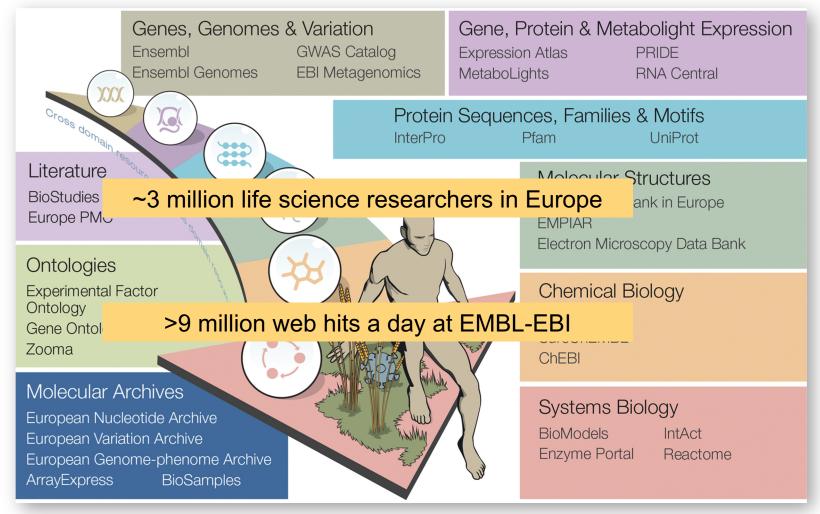
Immunol...

Microarray and...

Proteomics

Organelle

Data resources in life science





to establish an international distributed infrastructure for biological research data



ELIXIR connects national bioinformatics centres and EMBL-EBI into a sustainable European infrastructure for biological research data



bioindustries

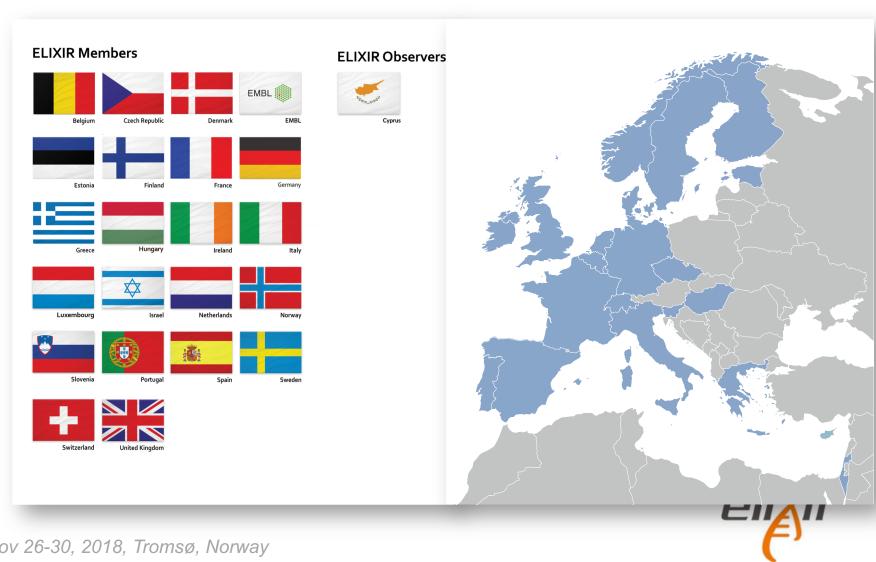
environment

ELIXIR underpins life science research – across academia and industry



ELIXIR members

- 21 national nodes (one observer) + EMBL-EBI
- > 160 institutions
- > 600 scientists involved
- Largest Research Infrastructure (RI) in Europe

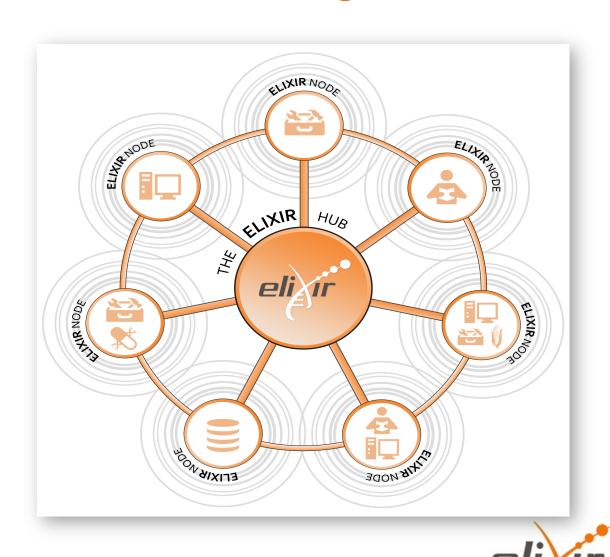


A distributed infrastructure to scale with the challenge

The ELIXIR Hub is like a headquarters and coordinates the work across ELIXIR.

The ELIXIR Nodes build local bioinformatics capacity throughout Europe

The ELIXIR Nodes build on national strengths and priorities





ELIXIR-EXCELERATE



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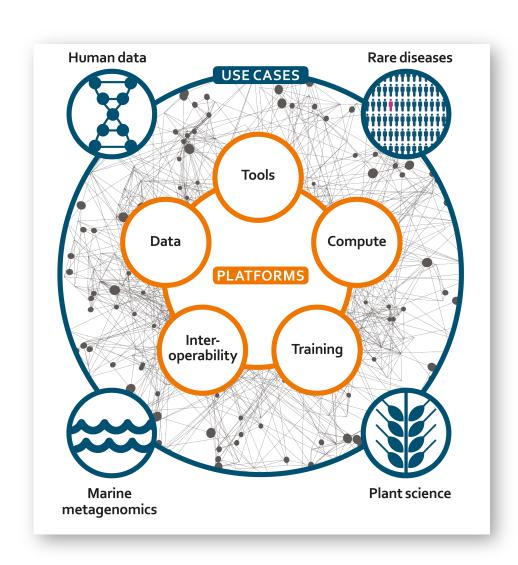
Accelerate the implementation of ELIXIR across Nodes

- Develop and connect resources and services (from Nodes)
- Build bioinformatics capacity across Europe (Capacity Building and Training)
- €19 million, 4 year project (2015-2019), 46 partners across 17 countries









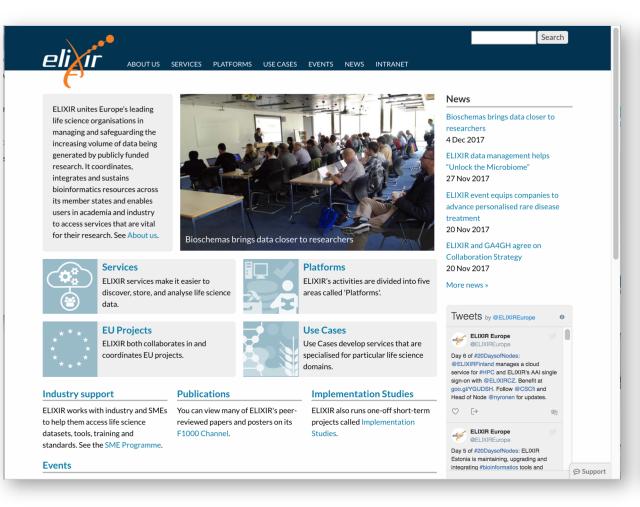
ELIXIR Structure

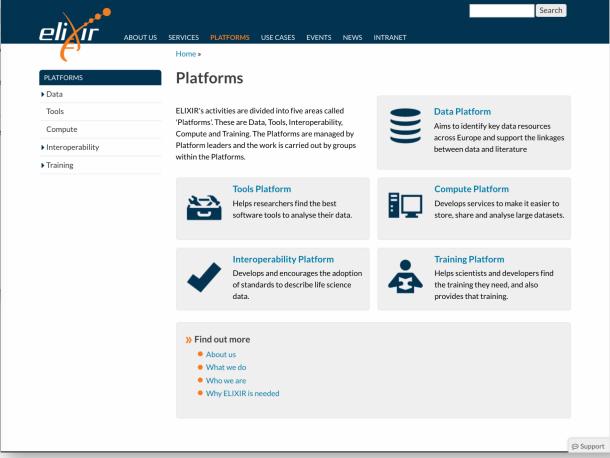
Five technical platforms for Compute, Data, Tools and Interoperability, in addition to the training platform

Complemented by four use cases for marine metagenomics, rare diseases, human data and plants sciences



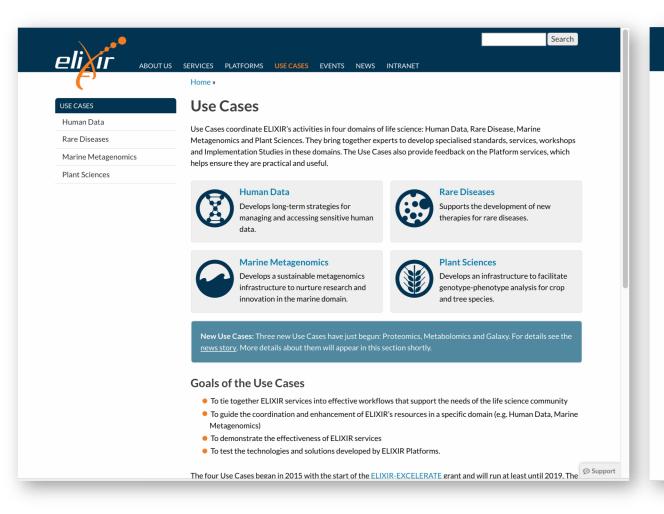


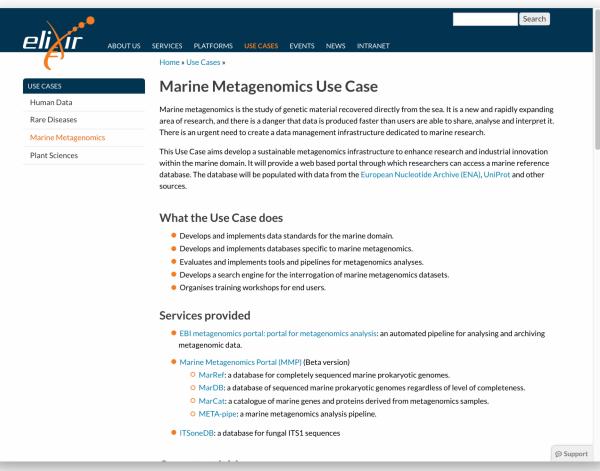








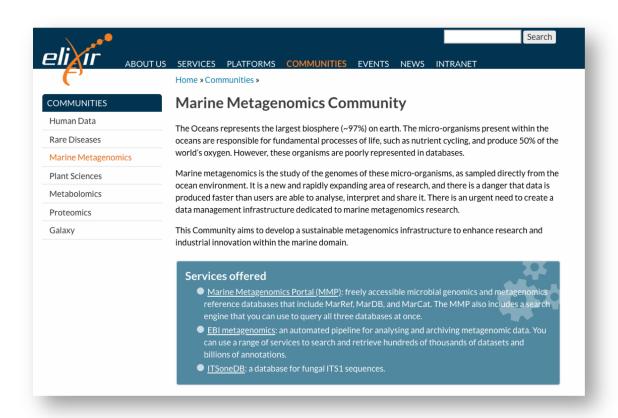


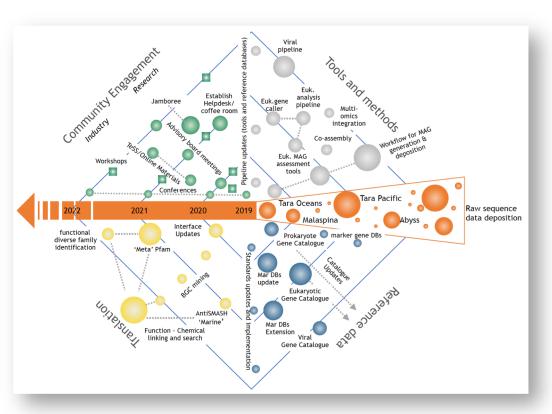






ELIXIR Communities









Data deposition: ENA, EGA, PDBe, EuropePMC, ...



Compute:

Secure data transfer, cloud computing, AAI



Data management:

Genome annotation
Data management plans



Bioinformatics tools:

Bio.tools



Added value data:

UniProt, Ensembl, OrphaNet, ...



Industry:

Innovation and SME programme bespoke collaborations



Data Interoperability:

BioSharing, identifiers.org and OLS



Training:

TeSS, Data Carpentry, eLearning



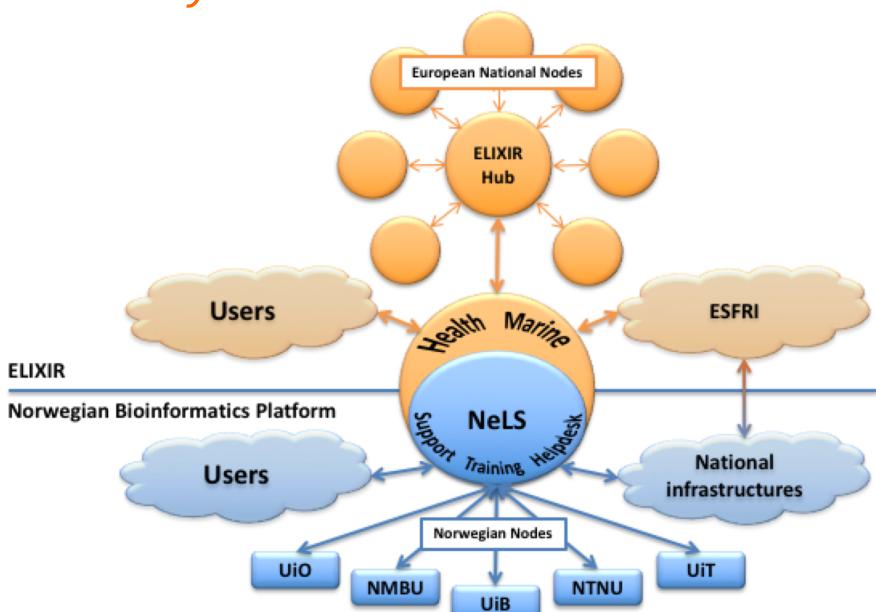


Build and offer an e-infrastructure for users within molecular life science (NeLS)

Provide state of the art bioinformatics support

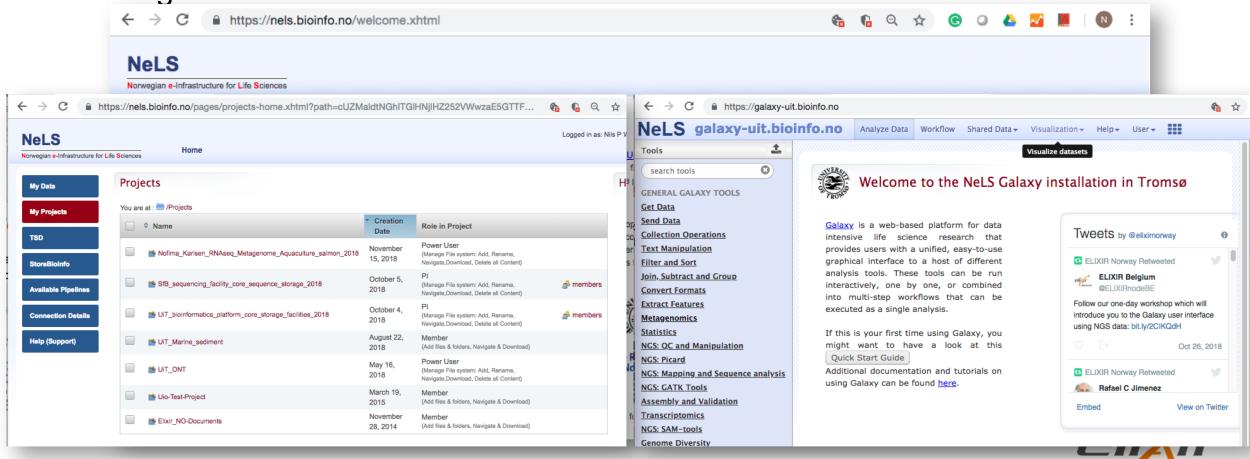
Work tightly with other national and international technology platforms

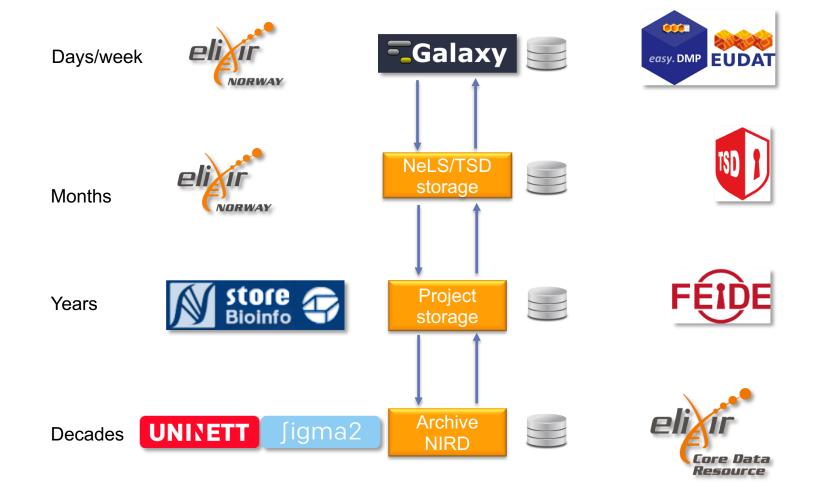




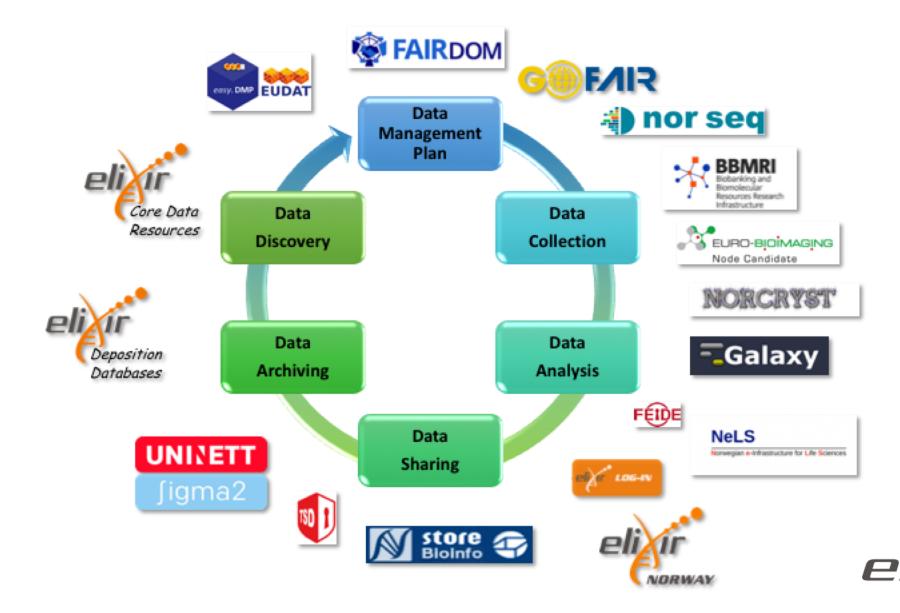


Long term and temporary storage Sharing of data with collaborators

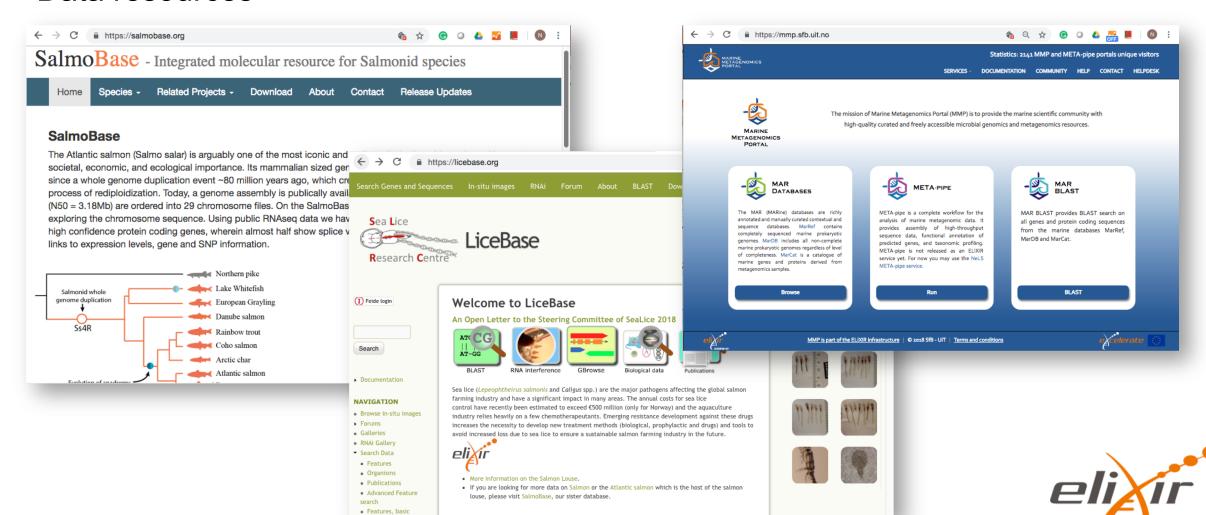








Data resources



Service

Support

Access to data, tools, compute & storage

Collaboration

Small & large scale projects

Provide connection to other international ELIXIR nodes

Training

Training courses

Hands-on workshops



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