

The results of the EU project QBOL deposited in the Q-bank database to support Plant Health Diagnostics

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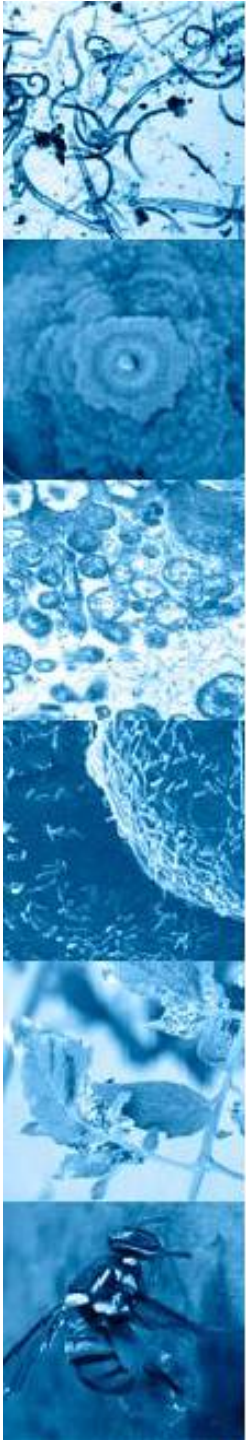
QBOL:

Development of a new diagnostic tool
using DNA barcoding to identify
quarantine organisms in support of
plant health
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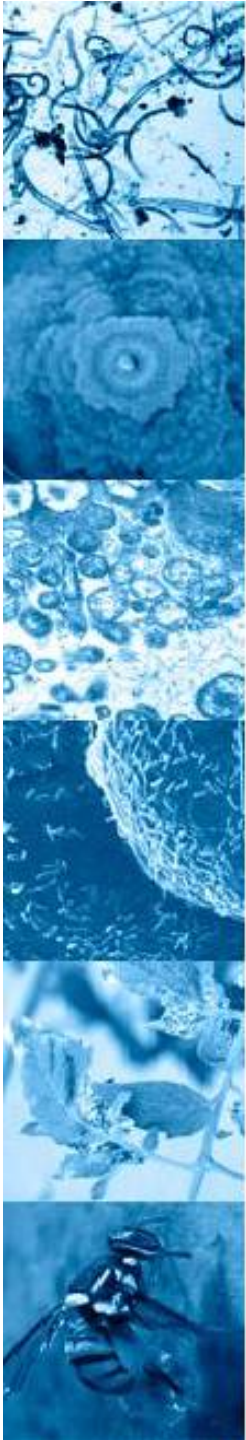
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Why DNA barcoding?

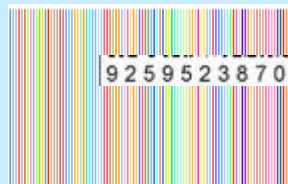
- Increasing world wide trading of plants enhances risk of spreading harmful organisms
- Result in significant possible economic damage
- Decreasing taxonomic knowledge to identify Q-organisms
- DNA barcoding offers accurate identification and focuses on strengthening the link between traditional and molecular taxonomy



Three principle QBOL Objectives



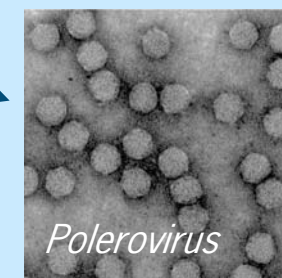
- *to DNA barcode relevant Q-organisms + morphologically and/or taxonomically related organisms*
- *to develop a database of DNA barcode sequences plus relevant taxonomic/geographic/host data*
- *to develop a DNA bank for the selected set of Q-organisms + morphologically and/or taxonomically related organisms*



Targets Quarantine

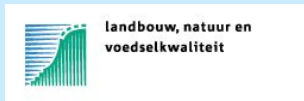
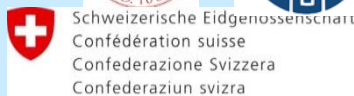
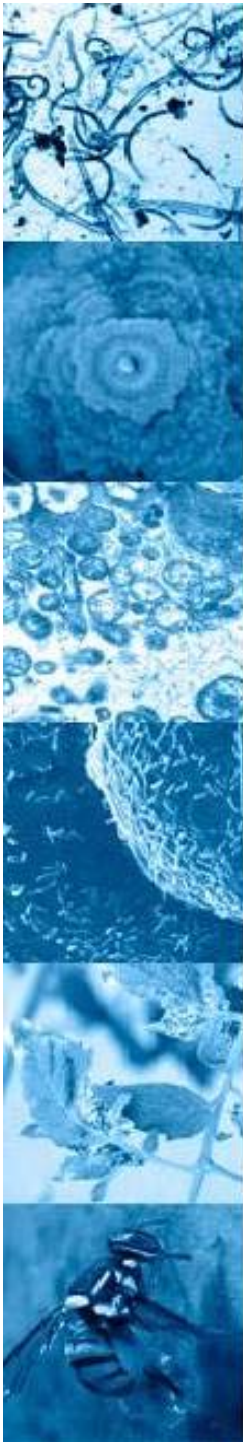
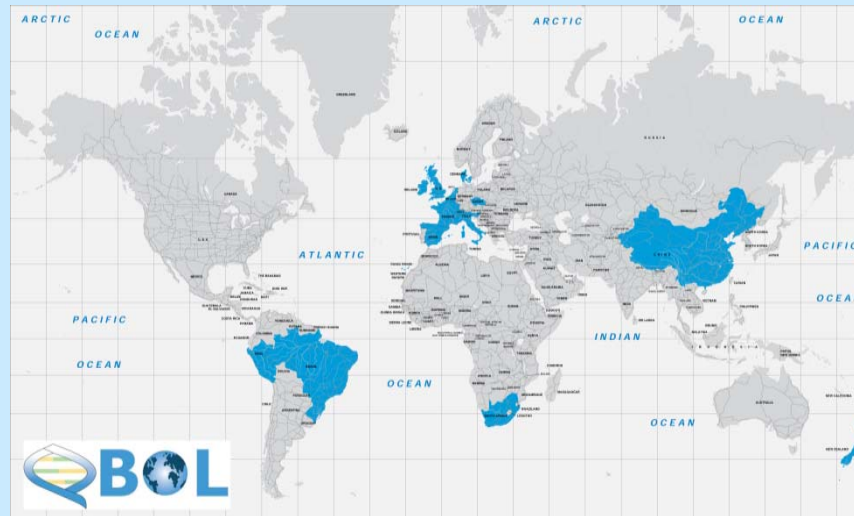
Which?

- Fungi
- Arthropods
- Bacteria
- Nematodes
- Viruses
- Phytoplasmas



- Council Directive 2000/29/EC
- EPPO list A1 and A2

Partners QBOL



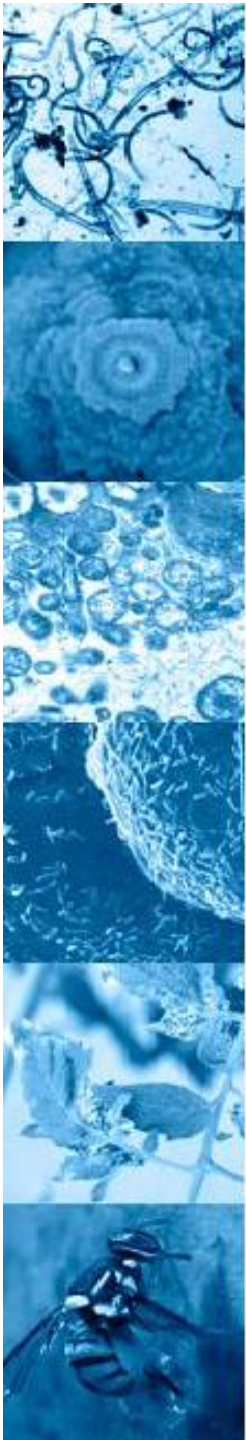
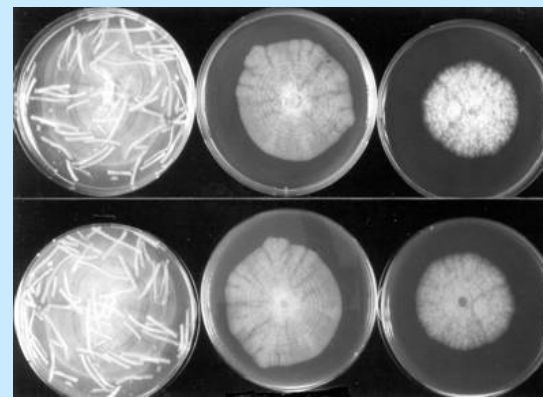
WP2 leader: Ewald Groenewald (KNAW-CBS)

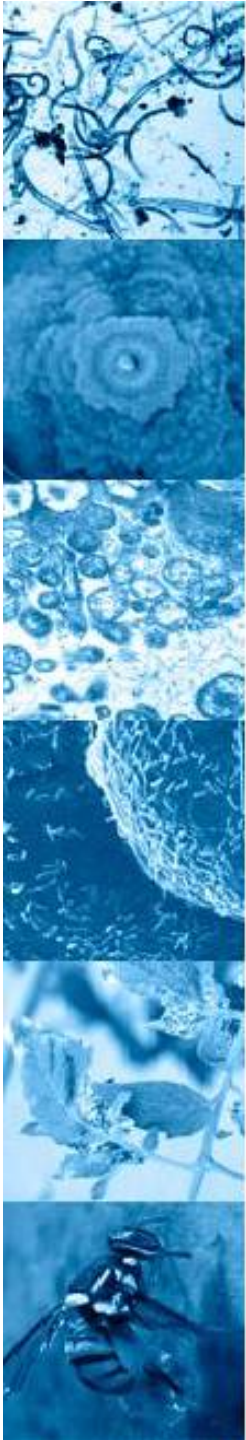
WP2: Fungi



Which:

Monilinia, Ceratocystis, Melampsora, Puccinia, Thecaphora and Mycosphaerella





WP2: Fungi: potential barcode loci

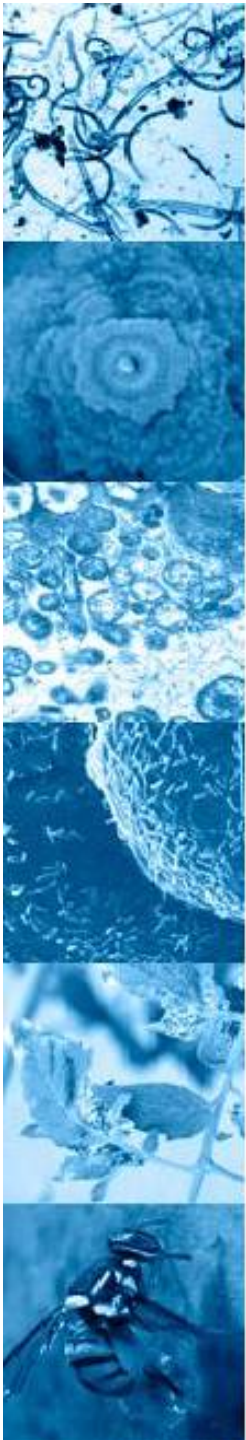
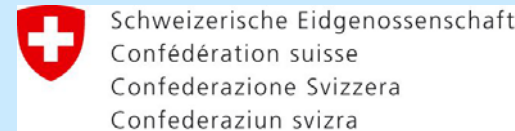
- **Internal transcribed spacers of rDNA operon (ITS):**
V9G, ITS1, ITS1F / ITS4, LR6
- **Beta-tubulin (TUB):**
T1, Bt1a / Bt1b, Bt2b
- **Cytochrome oxidase I (COI):** PenF1 / PenR1, AspR1
- **Histone H3 (HIS):**
CYLH3F / CYLH3R
- **Translation elongation factor 1-alpha (TEF):**
EF1-728F / EF1-986R, EF-2
- **Calmodulin (CAL):**
CAL-228F / CAL-737R
- **Actin (ACT):**
ACT-512F / ACT-783R

WP3 leader: Jean-Yves Rasplus (INRA)

WP3: Arthropods

- Which?

1. Number of species (198), multiple target crops (Agriculture also forests, ornamentals etc.)
2. Example : *Diabrotica* spp. on Maize
3. Billion \$ cost in US, introduced in Europe
4. Pesticide use (20 to 25 million acres in US) → indirect costs hardly estimated
5. Species complex (i.e. *Ips*, *Gonipterus*, *Epitrix*, *Bemisia* globally poorly known)

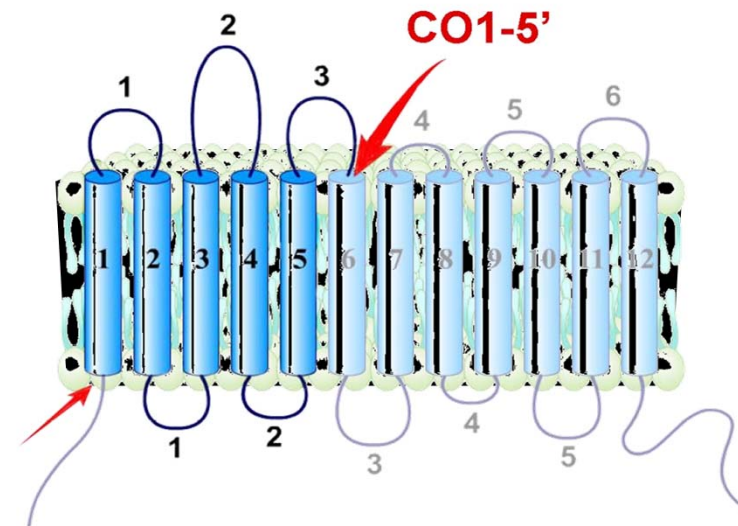
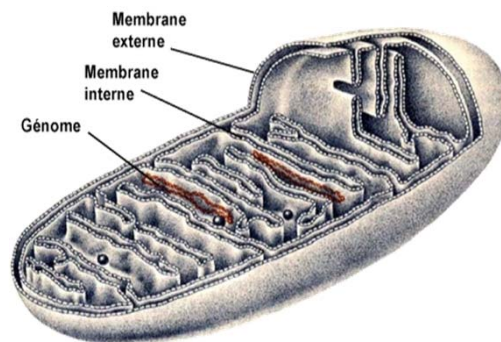
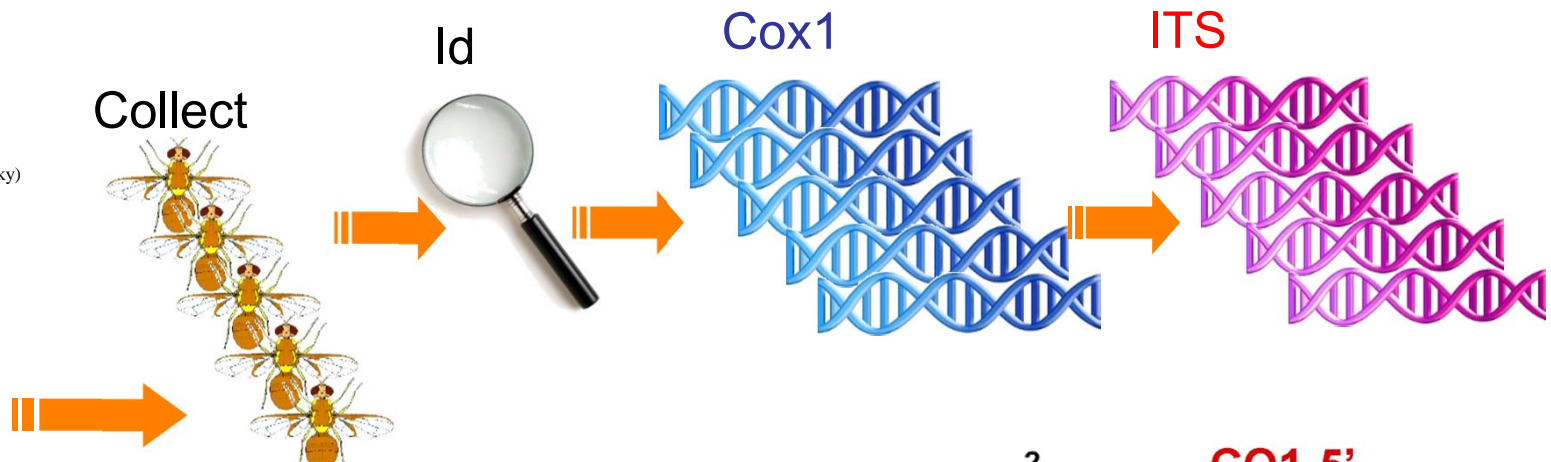


Species list

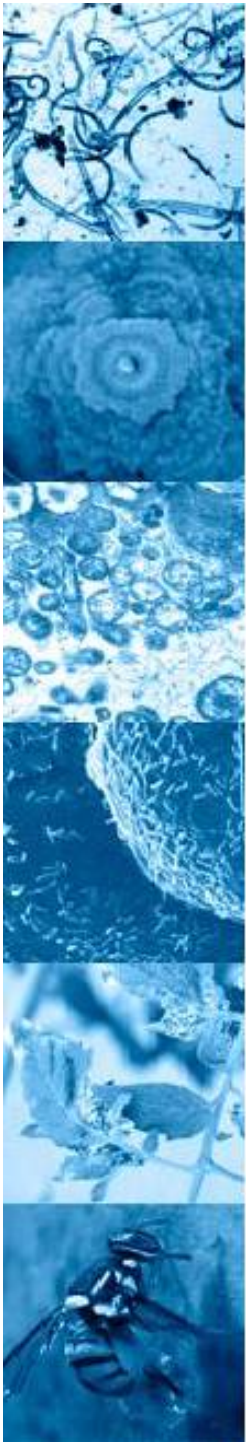


WP3 Barcoding Arthropods

- Acleris gloverana (Walsingham)
- Acleris variana (Ferne)
- Aculops fuchsiae Keifer
- Aeolesthes sarta (Solsky)
- Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire
- Aleurocanthus spiniferus (Quaintance)
- Aleurocanthus woglumi Ashby
- Anastrepha obliqua (Macquart)
- Anastrepha fraterculus Wiedmann
- Anastrepha ludens (Loew)
- Anastrepha suspensa Loew
- Blitopertha orientalis (Waterhouse)
- Anoplophora chinensis (Thomson)
- Anoplophora glabripennis (Motschulsky)
- Anthonomus bisignifer Schenkling
- Anthonomus eugenii Cano
- Anthonomus grandis Boheman
- Anthonomus quadrigibbus Say
- Anthonomus signatus Say
- Aonidiella citrina (Coquillett)
- Arrhenodes minutus (Drury)
- Aschistonyx eppoi Inouye
- Aulacaspis yasumatsui Takagi
- Bactrocera cucumis (French)
- Bactrocera cucurbitae Coquillett
- Bactrocera dorsalis (Hendel)
- Bactrocera invadens (Hendel)
- Bactrocera minax (Enderlein)
- Bactrocera tryoni (Froggatt)
- Bactrocera tsuneonis (Miyake)
- Bactrocera zonata (Saunders)
- Bemisia tabaci (Gennadius) & biotype B
- Cacoecimorpha pronubana Hübner
- Cacyreus marshalli Butler
- Cameocephala fulgida Nottingham
- Carposina niponensis (Walsingham)
- Cephalcia lariciphila (Wachtl)
- Ceratitidis capitata Wiedemann
- Ceratitidis quinaria (Bezzi)
- Ceratitidis rosa Karsch
- Ceratitidis cosyra (Walker)
- Choristoneura conflictana (Walker)
- Choristoneura fumiferana (Clemens)
- Choristoneura occidentalis Freeman
- Choristoneura rosaceana (Harris)
- Circulifer tenellus (Baker)



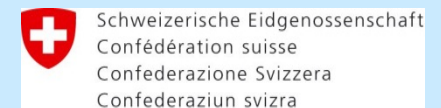
QBOL : Barcoding Quarantine Pests



WP4: Bacteria

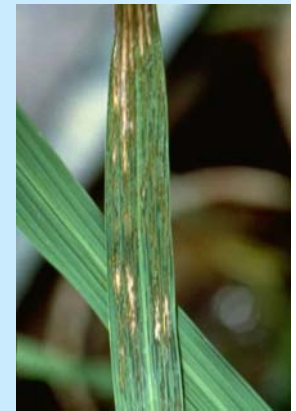
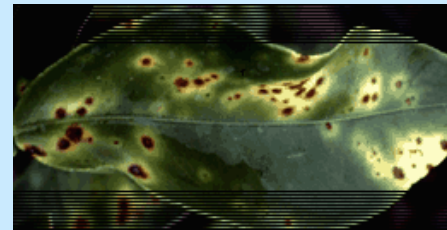
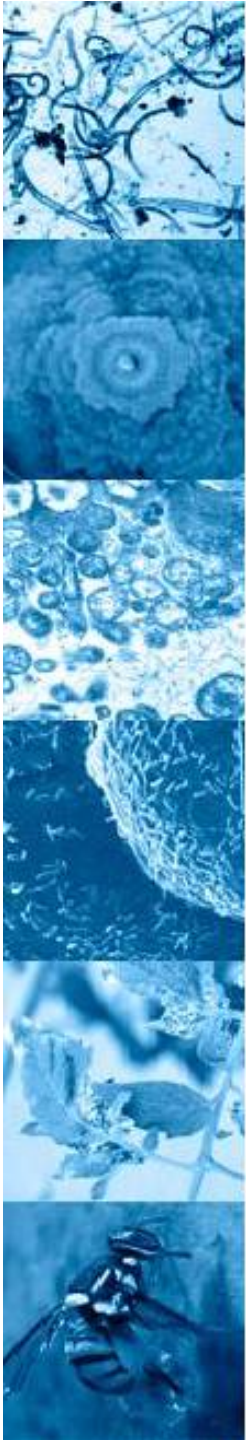
WP4 leader: Martine Maes (ILVO)

	QBOL Priority group 1	QBOL Priority group 2
<i>Xylella fastidiosa</i>	X	
<i>Clavibacter michiganensis</i> subsp. <i>sepedonicus</i>	X	
<i>Pseudomonas solanacearum</i> = <i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i>	X 3 phylotypes	
<i>Xanthomonas</i> strains pathogenic to Citrus	X X X 3 subsp.	
<i>Xanthomonas oryzae</i> pv. <i>oryzae</i> & <i>oryzicola</i>	X X 2 pvs	
<i>Clavibacter michiganensis</i> subsp. <i>insidiosus</i>	X	
<i>Clavibacter michiganensis</i> subsp. <i>michiganensis</i>	X	
<i>Xanthomonas axonopodis</i> pv. <i>phaseoli</i>		X
<i>Xanthomonas vesicatoria</i> & <i>X. axonopodis</i> pv. <i>vesicatoria</i>		X X
<i>Xanthomonas fragariae</i>		X
<i>Xanthomonas translucens</i>		X
<i>Xanthomonas axonopodis</i> pv. <i>dieffenbachiae</i>		X
<i>Xanthomonas axonopodis</i> pv. <i>allii</i>		X

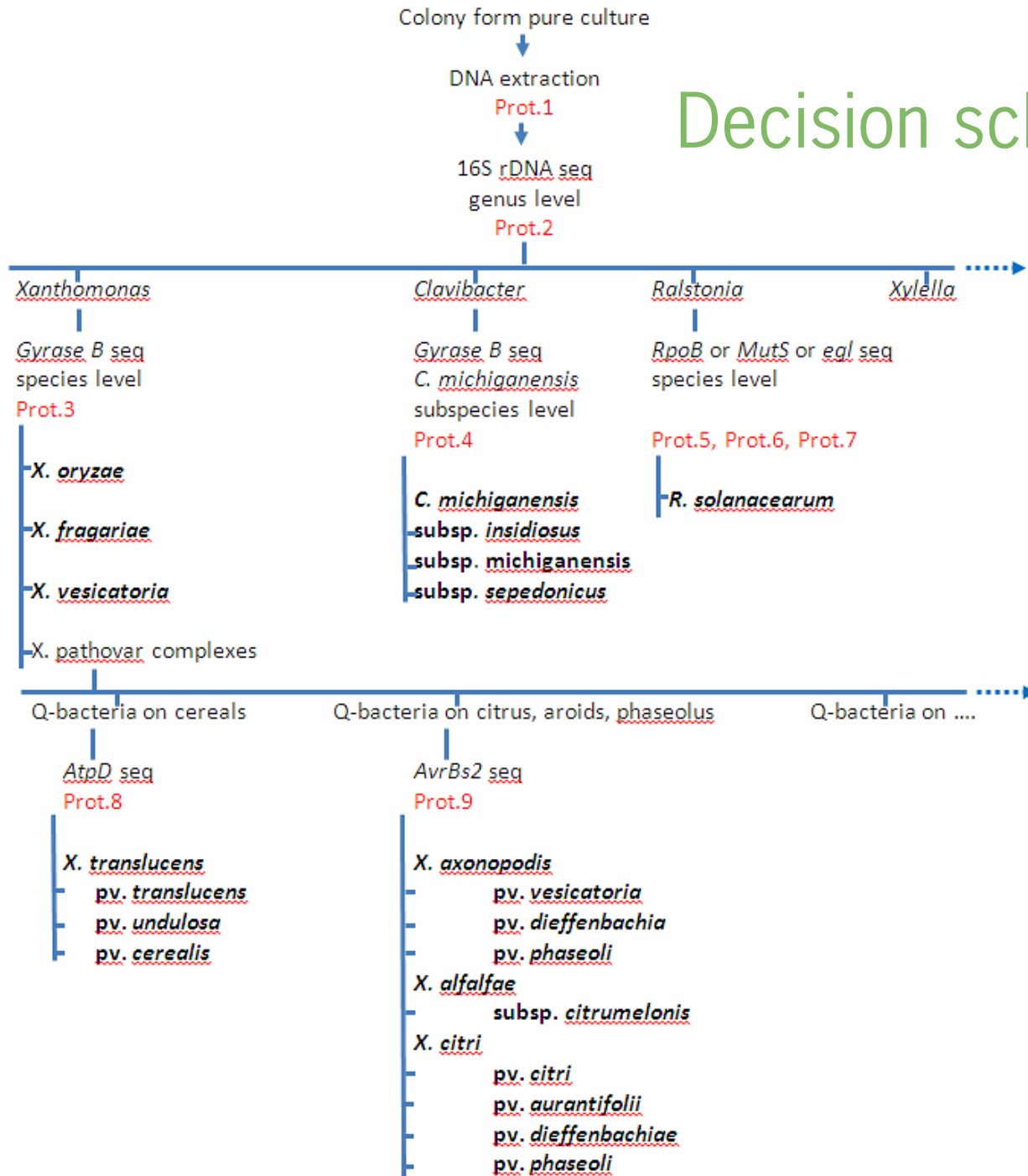


WP4: Bacteria: potential barcode loci

- 16S
- GyrB : DNA gyrase, subunit β , which unwinds double stranded DNA
- rpoB : RNA polymerase, subunit β , involved in RNA biosynthesis
- accessory genes

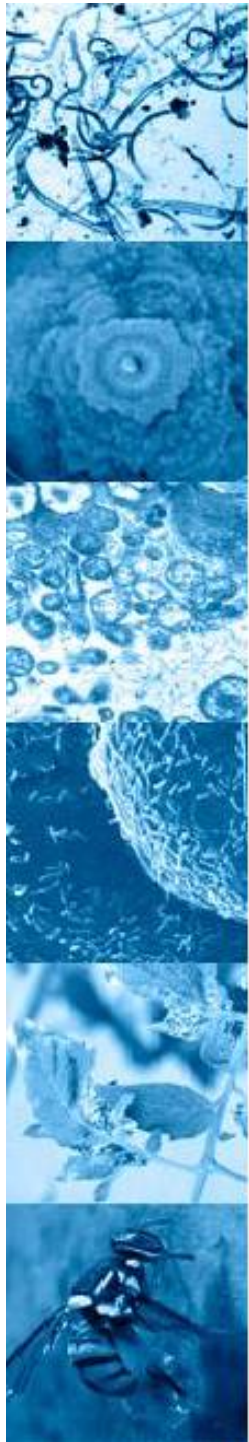


Decision scheme bacteria



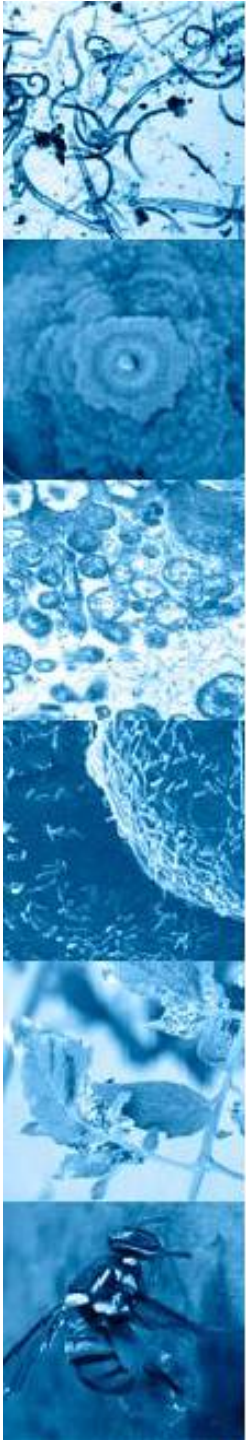
WP5: Nematodes

WP5 leader: Juerg Frey (ACW)



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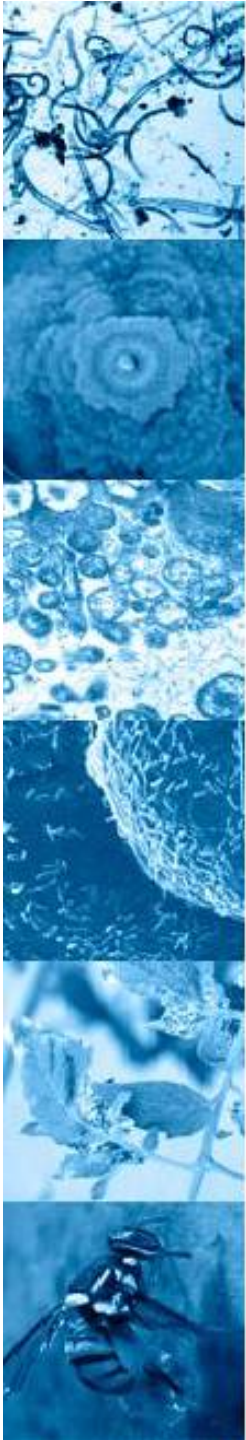


WP5: Nematodes

Seven barcode regions were screened in Priority Group 1:

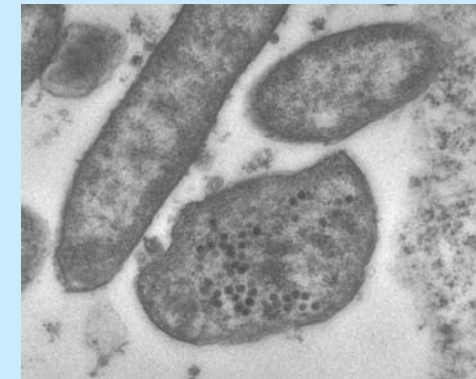
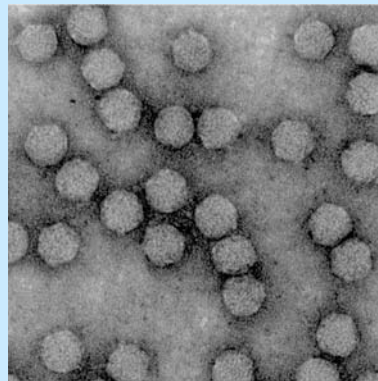
- SSU rDNA,
- LSU rDNA, D1-D2 and D2-D3 region
- IGS2
- COI
- COII
- RNA polymerase II





WP6: Viruses

- No standard region
- Not culturable
- Relative small genomes
- 90% RNA viruses
- Barcodes generated by Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)



WP6 leader: Neil Boonham (Fera)



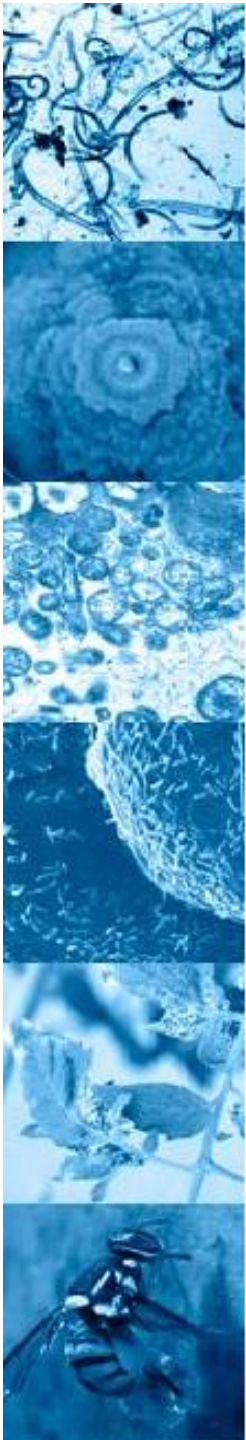
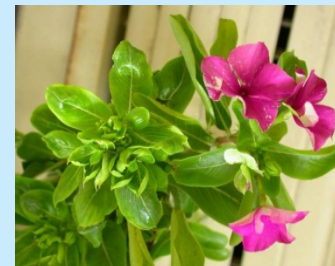
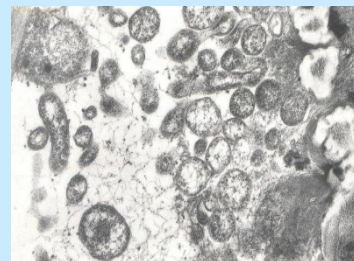
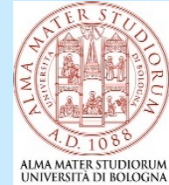
WP6: Viruses

Species	Genus	List	Genome sequence available	Partner responsible	Status
Arracacha virus B, oca strain	Nepovirus	IAI	No	Fera	Complete
Potato black ringspot virus	Nepovirus	IAI / EPPO A1	No	Fera	Complete
Potato virus T	Trichovirus	IAI / EPPO A1	Yes x2	CIP	Complete
Chrysanthemum stem necrosis virus	Tospovirus	EPPO A1	No	PRI	Complete
Potato yellow dwarf virus	Rhabdovirus	EPPO A1	No		Completed (not by consortium)
Potato yellowing virus	Alphamovirus	EPPO A1	No	CIP	Partial (3' and 5' end not confirmed by RACE)
Tomato infectious chlorosis virus	Crinivirus	EPPO A2	No	Fera	Complete
Iris yellow spot virus	Tospovirus	EPPO Alert	No	PRI	Partial (few small gaps)
Tomato torrado virus	Toradovirus	N/A ¹	Yes	PRI	Complete
Tomato marchitez virus	Toradovirus	N/A ¹	Yes	PRI	Complete

WP7 leader: Mogens Nicolaisen (UA)

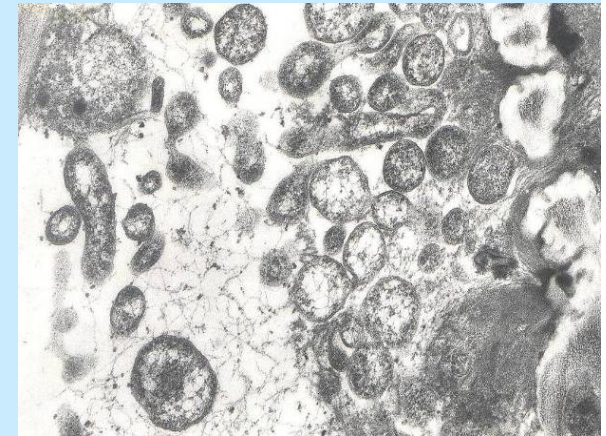
WP7: Phytoplasmas

- Cell wall-less bacteria
- Inhabits the plant phloem
- Small genomes (~500-1200 kbp)
- Transmitted by insect vectors
- Obligate parasites
- Symptoms include witches broom, phyllody, virescence, dwarfing, yellowing



WP7: Phytoplasmas: potential barcode loci

- 16S
- Tuf
- SecA
- 16S-23S spacer
- Ribosomal proteins
- SecY
- rpoC



QBOL: DNA Barcode sequences obtained now

QBOL	sequences obtained		19-5-2012
		# sequences	Remark
WP2	FUNGI	6725	up to 11 loci tested (ITS is predominant)
WP3	ARTHROPODS	4103	2 loci
WP4	BACTERIA	3312	20 loci
WP5	NEMATODES	1641	6 loci
WP6	VIRUSES	46	whole genome and almost complete genome seq
WP7	PHYTOPLASMS	472	3 loci
	TOTAL	16299	



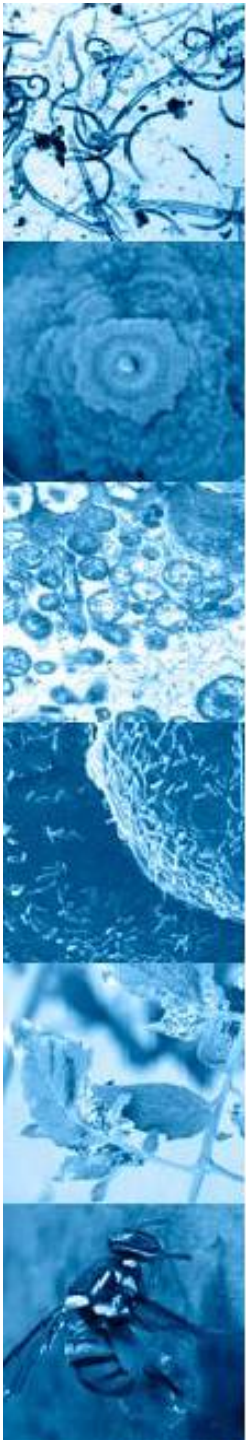
WP8 leader: Peter Bonants (PRI)

WP8. DNA bank:

Protocols developed for:

- Whole Genome Amplification (WGA)
- Storage
- Transport

Prototype DNA bank of quarantine and regulated plant pathogens and their taxonomically closely related species.



WP9 leader: Vincent Robert (KNAW-CBS)

WP9. Database: BioLomics



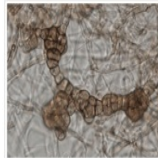
FUNGI

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Q-bank Fungi database

The Q-bank Fungi database contains DNA sequence data (barcodes), morphological, phenotypical and ecological data of more than 450 species that are of relevance to mycological phytopathology. Currently, the database focuses on members, especially those of quarantine importance to Europe and their closest relatives, of the fungal genera *Phoma* and associated genera (304 species), *Colletotrichum* (18 species), *Mycosphaerella* and its anamorphs (41 species; sequence data only), *Monilinia* (7 species; sequence data only), *Ceratocystis* (30 species; sequence data only), *Stenocarpella* (6 species; sequence data only) and the Oomycete genus *Phytophthora* (75 species). Besides plant pathogens these genera also contain many opportunistic and saprophytic organisms. For



Updates Fungi database:

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Q-bank Bacteria database

The Q-bank Bacteria database contains DNA sequence (Barcodes) of more than hundred bacteria that are of relevance to bacterial phytopathology. Morphological, phenotypical and ecological data are added where available. Currently, the database focuses on the bacterial genera *Clavibacter*, *Xanthomonas*, *Ralstonia* and *Xylella*.



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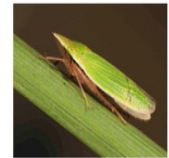
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Q-bank Arthropod database

The Q-bank Arthropod database contains DNA sequence (Barcodes) on 198 quarantine arthropod species for Europe and their closest relatives. We used COI and, when possible, ITS markers to deliver a molecular identification tool for Q arthropods as well as congeneric pest species. Q arthropods are diverse and threat most cultivated plants from maize to coconut, from fruit trees to pine trees, from vegetables to vine. Among the list of EU quarantine arthropods we select 7 species of mites and 191 species of insects that represent 6 orders [Coleoptera (81), Diptera (35), Hemiptera (32), Hymenoptera (5), Lepidoptera (33), Thysanoptera (5)]. About 70 species are quarantine pests of forests while the other (128) are mostly associated with agriculture or ornamental crops and sometimes also



Updates Insects database:

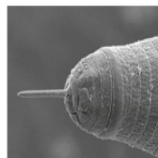
NEMATODES

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Q-bank Nematodes database

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Updates Nematodes database:

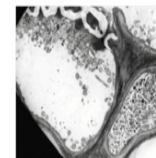
PHYTOPLASMAS

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Q-bank Phytoplasmas database

The Q-bank Phytoplasma database contains DNA sequences (Barcodes) of more than 100 strains that are of relevance to phytoplasma phytopathology (International Phytoplasma Working Group). The official micropropagated collection of phytoplasma strains is maintained mainly in periwinkle at the University of Bologna (Phytoplasma Collection). The distribution as well as relevant EPPO-protocols for the phytoplasmas can be downloaded from www.epo.org.



Updates Phytoplasmas database:

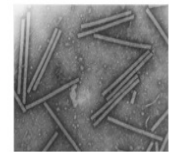
PLANT VIRUSES

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Q-bank Plant Viruses and Viroids database

The Plant Viruses and Viroids database contains information on plant viruses and viroids. Currently the database focuses on virus species regulated in the EU Directive on Plant Health 2000/29/EC. In the future information on more plant viruses and viroids will be included to provide a comprehensive information system.



Updates Plant Viruses and Viroids database:

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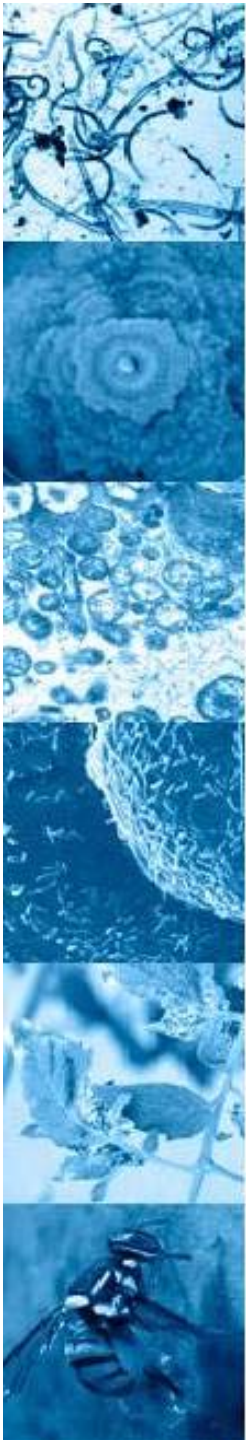
WP 10. Validation

Task: Validation of barcoding protocols for diagnostic use

Proficiency test:

DNA/RNA extraction, amplification, sequencing and database searching according to developed protocols

Endusers: NPPO's



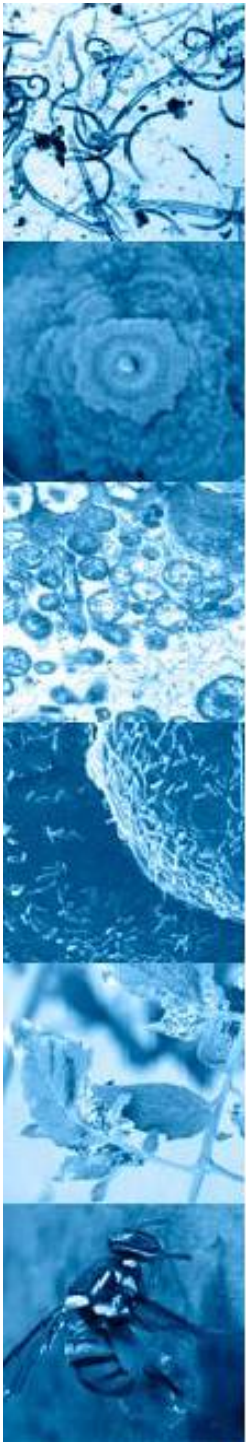
WP11 leader: Peter Bonants (PRI)

WP11. Dissemination:

- Website, www.qbol.org, >10,000 visitors
- Flyers, posters, E-Newsletters
- Training
- Final QBOL Meeting / EPPPO Diagnostic symposium in The Netherlands (21-25 May 2012)
 - presentations on www.eppo.int



WP11 Dissemination: Training



● China

● Kenya



● South Africa



● Peru



● Honduras



● The Netherlands

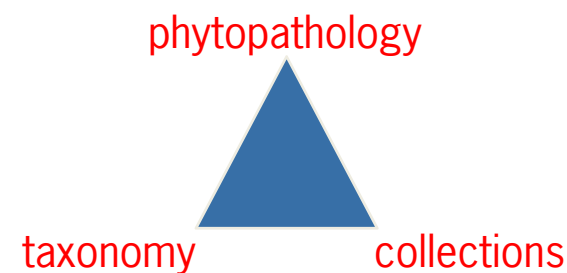
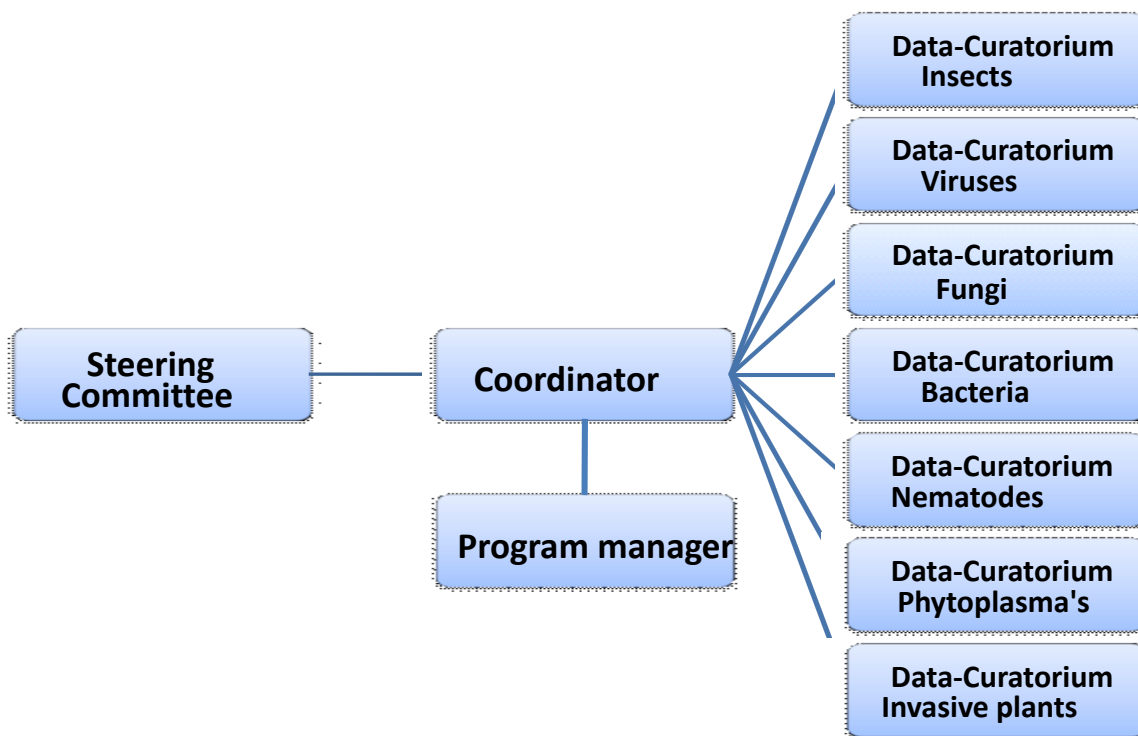


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Thank you for your attention!
To be or not to be barcoded?
That is the question

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