Integrando a la comunidad investigadora en los estudios del nuevo genoma del coronavirus

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#### Private companies acted with first line support – 1st wave of actions

R\$ 500 M ~ USD 100 M

- 15 cargo flights from China
- 5 million rapid test kits
- 15.8 million personal protection equipment

Hospitals

- 2 field hospitals (Parauapebas and Rio)
- 3 refurbished hospitals (Itabira, Belo Horizonte, Parauapebas)

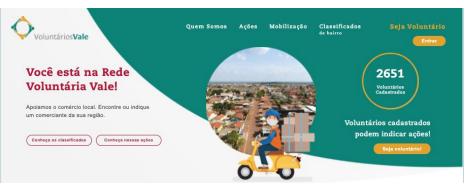
Indigenous and quilombola

- 15 health care units
- Cleaning kits

R\$ 1 B  $\sim$  USD 500 M support for suppliers



## Volunteer actions + matching funds





#### **Open challenge Covid-19**

















- Up to USD 200K support
- Connecting companies
- Access to Vale's AI center

- 1,800 applicants
- 12 projects funded
- NGS based mass tests
- Face shield production platform (3)
- Air desinfection
- 70% EtOH production system (2)
- Vital signs capture system
- Remote psychological support system
- Sterilizing boxes
- Hemodynamics monitoring equipment

#### **Research 2nd wave**

- Research has a different timing
- Distress of ITV researchers what could we do?
  - Genomics
  - Bioinformatics



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• The genome of Sars-CoV2

Brazil 974 genomes

- 479 complete + high quality
- 441 States of São Paulo and Rio

GSAID (28/08/20)

#### • Vale

- Would take the actions beyond immediate support
- Relevant to the community
- Make us of a reserach asset ITV
- Information that will be useful during and after the pandemic
- Open
- Cooperativa

### The project



- + Public and Private research institutions
  - Simplified contract
  - Informal collaborator
  - Funds can be used by any partner
- Centralized data analysis (UFRN)
- Several sequencing labs (not too many)

• R\$ 2,4 M - ~500K USD

• 2 years

• 1,000 genomes

- Impact of variations on drugs, vacines and diagnostics
- Bioinformatics pipelines
- Training
- Network
- Open objectives
  - Steering comittee decision

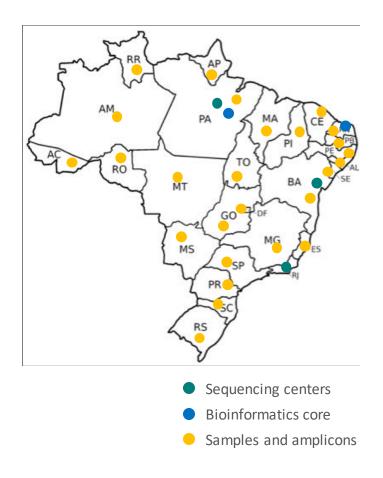
#### Governance

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Executive Committee Guilherme Oliveira (ITV) Wim deGrave (Fiocruz) Felipe Naveca (Fiocruz) Paola Resende (Fiocruz) Others who sign simplified contract

Funds managed by FIOTEC





#### **Technologies**

Illumina short reads



## PacBio long reads



Amplicon sequencing Metagenomics





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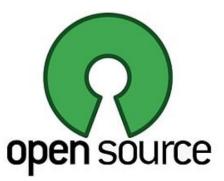
# Portability and standarization (high quality genomes)





Open data, open source, no IP





Public repositories





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#### Difficulties

- Bureaucracy
  - Additional Covid issues with digital signatures
- Reagents
  - Cost
  - Delivery time
- Unusual model
  - Open project, part of the deliverables are known
- Management
  - It will be challenging
  - We must deliver! Evidence that the model works
- For engagement with companies must have institutional support
  - Many large business are interested in making significant social contributions



# Thank you

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#### +72 researchers involved at the moment