

The first 10-year population-based coronary disease genome-wide association study (GWAS) in more than 100,000 participants to personalize cardiovascular prevention in Spain.

A project of the CORDELIA Study

(Collaborative cohorts Reassembled Data to study mechanisms and Longterm Incidence of cardiovascular diseases)

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PURPOSE



Southern Europe is lacking sufficiently large cohorts and DNA biobanks to organize genome-wide association studies (GWAS) with cardiovascular disease (CVD), which come mainly from case-control studies.



- 1) To identify the genetic characteristics associated with the 10-year incidence of CVD in the Spanish population using a GWAS on ~102,000 participants from 24 Spanish cohorts already created, followed and duly combined.
- 2) To test new 10-year genetic risk score (GRS) for CVD adapted to the characteristics of the Spanish population, and to validate previously proposed GRS.

METHODS

Study design and population

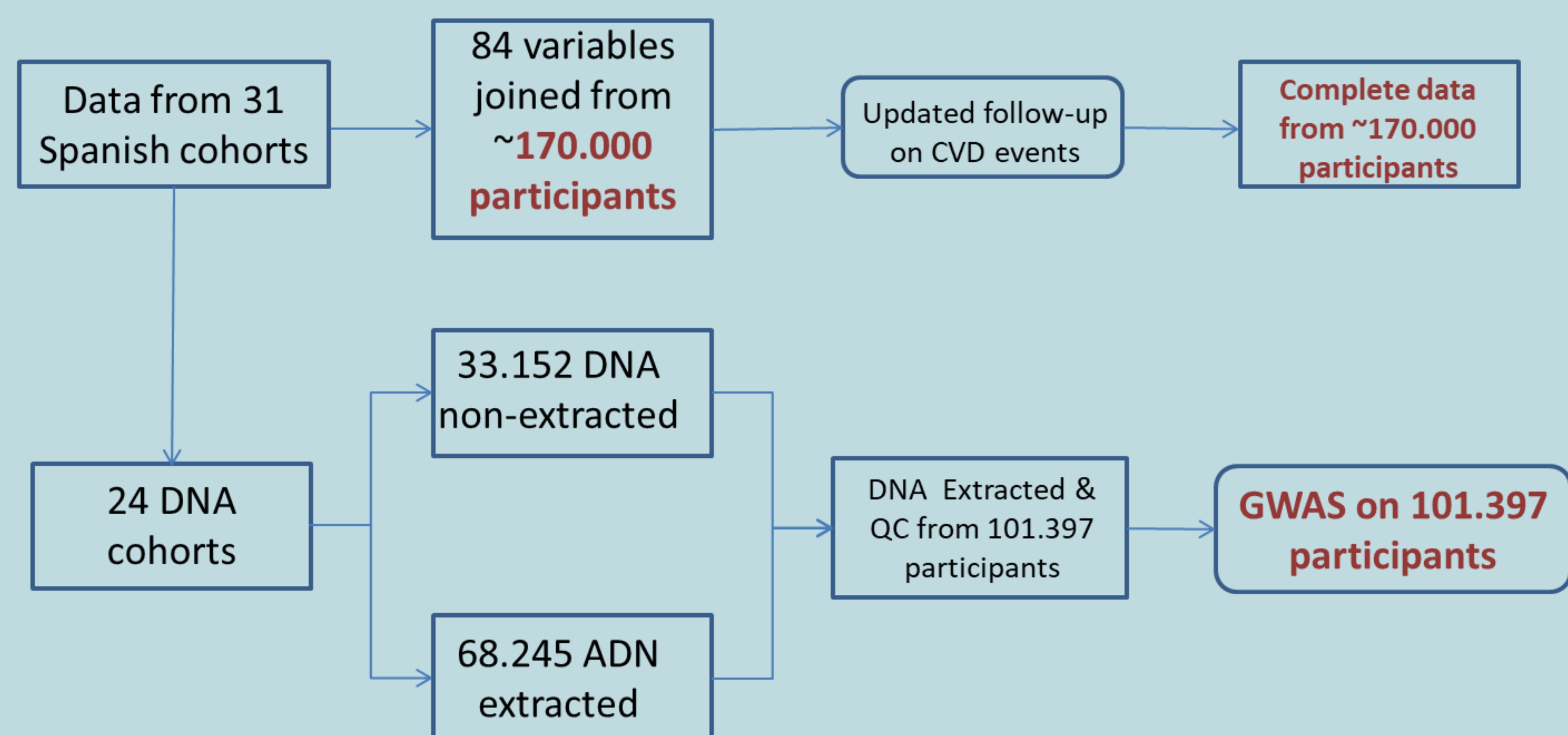
- A collaborative and multicenter prospective cohort of 31 population-based pooled cohorts recruited in Spain in the last 30 years, with more than 167.000 participants, of whom > 102.000 have DNA samples still available.
- Spanish natives or residents 35 and 84 years old, 50% women, free of acute myocardial infarction, stroke or peripheral arterial disease at the time of recruitment.

Statistical analyses

- **Data management:** data collection, data merging, quality control reports, ...
- **Genetic analyses:** Genome Wide Association (GWAS) of observed and imputed SNPs, multiple testing, population stratification adjustment, Hardy-Weinberg Disequilibrium, Genetic and Polygenetic Risk Scores (GRS, PGR), ...
- **Predictive models:** assessment of prediction capacity and accuracy of multivariate linear, logistic regression and Cox models.
- **Elaborate reports** of intermediate and final results.



Work plan



CONCLUSIONS

Student will:

- Clean and prepare complex data from big multicentric cohort study.
- Perform Genome-Wide-Association Study on more than 100.000 individuals.
- Evaluate prediction capacity of genetic scores using multivariate regression models and survival techniques.

CORDELIA CVD GWAS is:

- Feasible at 3 years
- Cost-effective
- Promising