

IDEAL4RWE



Introductory Seminar

April 19, 2022



Objectives for today



	Introduce DIGICORE – The Digital Institute for Cancer Outcomes Research	5 mins
	Outline the IDEAL4RWE leadership programme <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rationale• Benefits to you, and commitment expected	10 mins
	Share a case example of an outcome study in ovarian cancer: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outcomes and insights achieved• Lessons learned	30 mins
	Next steps & Q+A <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to sign up for the full programme• What you need to do before the summer	15 mins

Introducing speakers



James Anderson

*Leadership
Development
Advisor, DIGICORE*



**Professor Geoff
Hall**

*Chief Clinical
Informatics Officer,
Leeds, and ORWIC
study lead*



**Mariana Guergova-
Kuras**

*IQVIA Country Lead,
France, for Oncology
Evidence Network*



Will Sopwith

*RWE Advisor,
DIGICORE*



Piers Mahon

*Commercial
Research Manager,
DIGICORE*

DIGICORE is a new collaboration that aims to transform and digitise cancer outcome research in Europe



Founding organisations

Cancer Networks



Industry



Member centres

Membership open to all European cancer centres

Sister cancer network  **OEI**
ORGANISATION OF EUROPEAN CANCER INSTITUTES

DIGital Institute for Cancer Outcomes Research (DIGICORE)

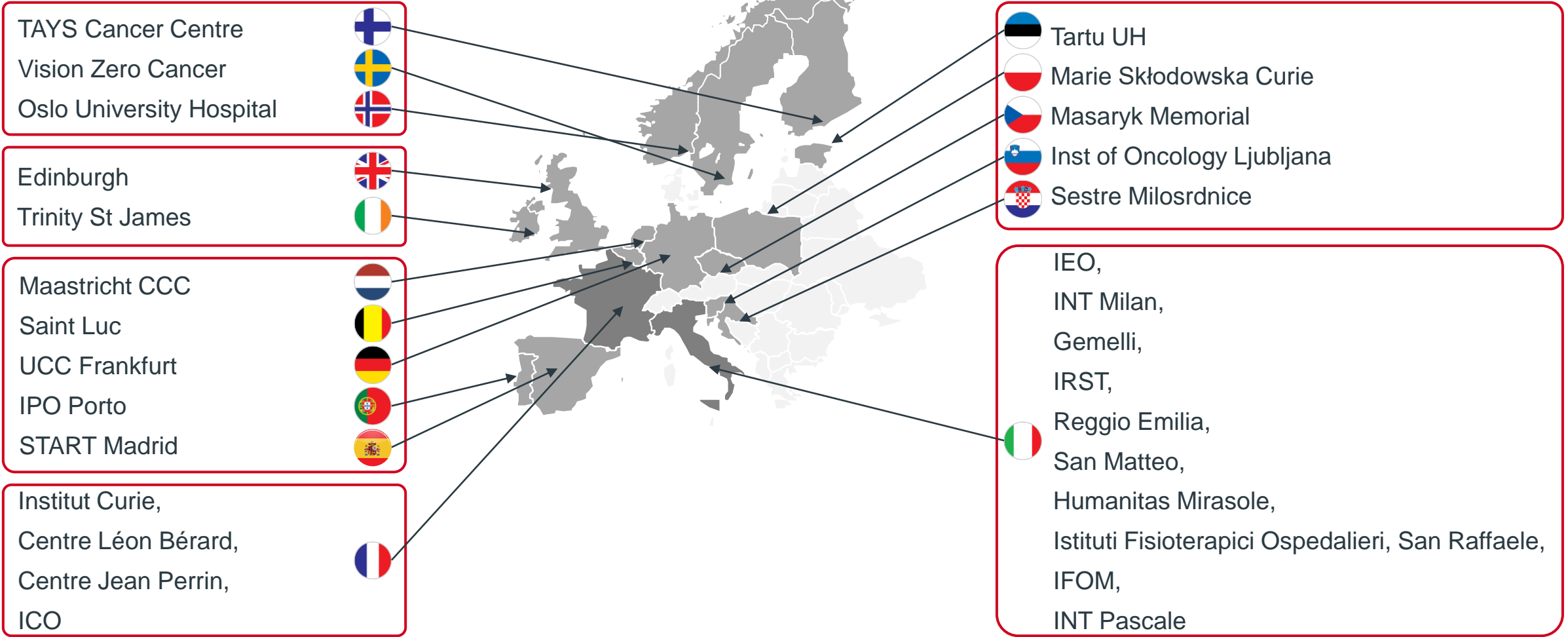
Pan-EU research collaboration to study cancer outcomes, capitalizing on increase in precision oncology

Independent European Economic Interest Group (like OEI) with 30 cancer centres today

Benefits and rationale

- For **Cancer Centres**, pool cancer data across sites for improved translational research
- For **Patients**, broader trial access and in future **better outcomes**
- For **IQVIA**, drive commercial multi – centre, international real world evidence projects in precision oncology and drive precision trial recruitment
- For **All** Grow clinical evidence base for **molecular diagnostic tests** in improving outcomes and **accelerate reimbursement** for all vendors

Individual centre members of DIGICORE network in 16 countries



Real World Evidence (RWE) presents a huge opportunity for DIGICORE to transform outcomes research and improve patient care



RWE can improve patient care



Benchmarking outcomes and standard of care across countries to identify potential care improvements



Developing patient cohorts in **rare cancers**



Linking clinical information to biomarkers to better understand **precision medicine**



Using **external comparators** to complement single arm clinical trials



Assessing use and value of **diagnostics**

Significant funds are coming available for digital infrastructure/RWE

Potential source of funding next 5 years	Total funding (estimate)	Of which digital infrastructure (estimate)
Recovery and resilience facility	€100bn	€12bn*
Cancer mission	€2.6bn	€0.1 to 0.2bn**
IHI + life sciences industry	€500bn	€1.5 to 2bn***

*Digital transition in healthcare funding estimates; **5 to 10% total; ***IHI and in-house research programme funding vs. global R&D spend in Cancer
Source: European Commission Recovery and Resilience Scoreboard, Dec 2021

To realise DIGICORE's vision we will need a new generation of outcome researchers to digitise cancer control



DIGICORE is investing in infrastructure: “A better digital microscope” for cancer outcomes research...



... but to use it well will need new research skills and leadership inside cancer centres

Solution

IQVIA – DIGICORE Early Career Leadership Programme for Real World Evidence (IDEAL4RWE)

DigiCore

IDEAL4RWE will build these skills among emerging research leaders



 Who?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Under 45, clinicians, data scientists etc. Interested in outcome research and ambitious to lead digital revolution in RWE. Employed in healthcare/not-for-profit in Europe
 What?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training on both technical and leadership skills for RWE• Based around delivery of an international proof-of-concept study
 How?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mix of training styles: Face-to-face and virtual• Full programme involves “test” application – funding available
 When?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Starts in Q2 2022 – free “taster” programme• RWE studies start in Q4 2022/Q1 2023• Concludes H1 2023
 T&Cs?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open to multi-centre teams of early career researchers• Must have support of their centre for some research time• Their centre must join DIGICORE• 80% study funds spent in centres contracted with IQVIA

Where we want to get to

By April 2023

- **A cohort of 20-25 future leaders (focus on clinicians but others involved)** trained through the whole programme – Training budgets of €150K + staff time
- **5-7 proof of concept studies** developed, with **3 delivering analytic outputs** (study fund of €210k)
- A plan for **future cohorts** from 2023 on



Part 1: Basic training and team formation (to July 2022)

Basic training and team formation

Apr-May 2022

101 RWE basics (2 seminars)

Basics of RWE and form teams

(From today) –
course registration

Team formation
starts

May-Jul 2022

102 Application training (2 seminars)

Teams develop simple
RWE study concepts

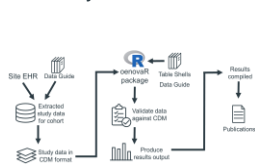
Study concept and
submission (July)

Training in outcomes study planning

Study overview

HCP	Patent cohort
Site 1 - UK	515
Site 2 - France	698
Site 3 - Germany	139
Site 4 - France	466
Site 5 - Iberia	300
Site 6 - E. Europe	446
Site 7 - Asia	957
Total	3,055

Harmonized data analysis by local teams



Analysis performed in
less than 4 weeks

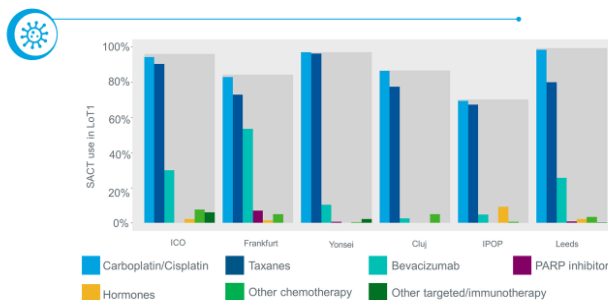
Study overview

- Epithelial ovarian cancer
 - Patient characteristics (e.g. histology, biomarkers, stage, breast cancer)
 - Genetic and molecular phenotype (germline, somatic BRCA, HRD)
 - Treatment patterns (surgery, lines of chemotherapy)
 - Outcomes from diagnosis & recurrence(s) to death



Training on relevant outcome case studies

Multi-centre study – Ovarian cancer – ORWIC – First-line therapy



Building a team to plan an outcomes study

- **TA:** p53 wild-type NSCLC
- **Objectives:** Natural history, treatment patterns and outcomes (2015-2020)
- **Patient cohort:** 1800 from 4 countries
- **Project milestones:** LPI, data curation, analysis, output





Part 2: Learning by doing (July 2022 to April 2023)

Advanced team-based training & protocol – Intensive

Jul 2022-Apr 2023

103 Leadership training/201 Advanced RWE technical training

Teams refine and drive pilot RWE programmes.
Selected teams (3-5) receive PoC study funding from IQVIA

Teams apply for funding

6-8 teams get intensive training

F2F Leadership Training

Peer Learning Sets

Optional 1:1 Coaching

Advanced Technical Training

Outcome study funding application

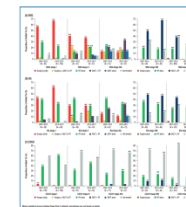
- Protocol
- Common data model
- Evidence of progress to date
- Up to €210k total for 3-4 studies
- Awarded by independent advisory board

3-4 teams get to output

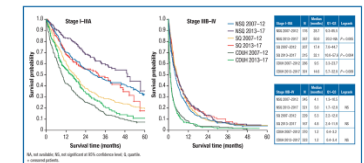
Key outputs



- Non-small cell lung cancer
 - Patient characteristics (e.g. histology, biomarkers, stage)
 - Treatment patterns (lines of chemotherapy, and surgery)
 - Outcomes from diagnosis, recurrence(s) to death



9th European Lung Cancer Congress (ELCC)



An expert panel of internationally renowned researchers will provide advice and allocate funding throughout the programme

Members of IDEAL4RWE Leadership Advisory Board (LAB)



Prof David Cameron
*(Edinburgh University)
– Co-chair*



Prof Iwona Lugowska
*(Oncology Institute,
Poland) – Co-chair*



Prof Massimo di Maio
*(Oncology Department,
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*(German Centre for
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Comprehensive
Cancer Centre)*



**Gilliosa Spurrier
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(Co-chair WECAN)



**Dr Mariana
Guergova-Kuras**
(IQVIA)



James Anderson
(DIGICORE)

Setting you up for future success in real world research

The first cohort at the cutting edge of the digital revolution



What you get

New skills

-  **Face-to-face** leadership development training (places limited)
-  **6-8 virtual seminars** from leading researchers
-  **Peer learning**
-  **Coaching**



Potential **funding** for an outcome study (up to **€210k** for **3+** studies)



Network of like-minded collaborators and mentorship from **leading international** researchers



A **proof-of-concept study** to support future funding applications

What you need to commit

Time

-  **2-3** total days to August
-  Then **1 day/week** to April 2023



Enthusiasm for working with peers on an international outcomes study



The backing of **your employer** and supporting resource if needed (e.g., data scientists)

Case study: ORWIC



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NHS
The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
<http://www.leedsth.nhs.uk/>

The Leeds Teaching Hospital

H Hospitals

- Leeds General Infirmary
- St James's University Hospital
- Chapel Allerton Hospital
- Leeds Children's Hospital
- Seacroft Hospital
- Wharfedale Hospital

- The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (LTHT) is one of the largest trusts in the UK
- The trust has **6 sites**, including paediatric centre
- One of the largest **teaching hospitals** in Europe
- Treats **~5% of UK population** with 1,200 inpatient beds together with critical care and day case beds
- **Local district hospital** for population of Leeds (~1M)
- **Specialist cancer services** to Yorkshire (~2.7M)
- **Regional centre** for a number of specialist cancer (~5.7M)
- **Largest provider** of specialist services in UK
- **Largest integrated Cancer Centre** in UK

Leeds

ORWIC Q&A





I'm interested! What do I need to do?

Enrol on the course

- <https://tinyurl.com/IDEAL4RWEenrol>
- Confirm eligibility: <45, Europe-based, not-for-profit

Form a study leadership team

- 3+ sites in 3+ countries
- Tumour focus

Develop a study protocol

- Submit application (as a team)
- Seek your employer's support

Now

By end of May

By July 15th

- We will support you to form teams
 - IDEAL4RWE seminar in May (date tbc) will include networking
 - We will create email distribution lists by tumour type
 - We can connect you to researchers in the DIGICORE network
- You can also reach out through your own network/outreach to authors

- We will support you to write the application
 - 2 IDEAL4RWE seminars in June (date tbc) will focus on application
 - We will provide an application template
 - We will provide a sample completed template

Registrants will also get access to three further training seminars, and FAQs on a SharePoint platform

Study team – leadership team (July) and implementation team (Protocol submission)

You will need to start by identifying your leadership team



By July – leadership team



Role

- The "organising minds" for the international outcomes study
- Responsible for protocol, planning, resourcing, overall delivery, dissemination
- The future lead authors for the work
- Generally – but not exclusively – clinician researchers

Composition

- At least **3 sites/institutions** from at least **3 countries** – all in Europe
- Max 1 person per site/institution
- **1 patient representative**
- Up to 1 additional team member (e.g., other science discipline)
- **<45** will be given priority
- Commitment to **1 day/week/team member***

By October – delivery team



Role

- The delivery team for the study – all activities required for study delivery
- A range of different functions

Composition

- As for leadership team and also...
- At least two additional sites (may be outside Europe)
- Additional functional expertise as required (e.g., epi, data science, stats, clinical coders, additional clinicians) – no age restriction

*Preferably each team member can commit 1 day a week – where not possible, ½ day week with additional ½ day support (e.g., from research scientist) will be considered

We will be looking for individuals and teams who demonstrate enthusiasm, commitment and a vision for outcomes research

July submission and application assessment criteria



Content of submission

- Short bios of all team members and relevant and complementary experience (2-3 pages)
- TA and study objectives (1-2 pages)
- Cohort size by institution (1/2 page)
- Identified target data items and local formats (1 page table)
- Site-level legal basis for and approach to processing (1/2 – 1 page)
- Short term project plan (1 page)
- Evidence of institutional support (Letter of support)

Criteria for assessment

Assessment of initial study proposals will include evaluation of:

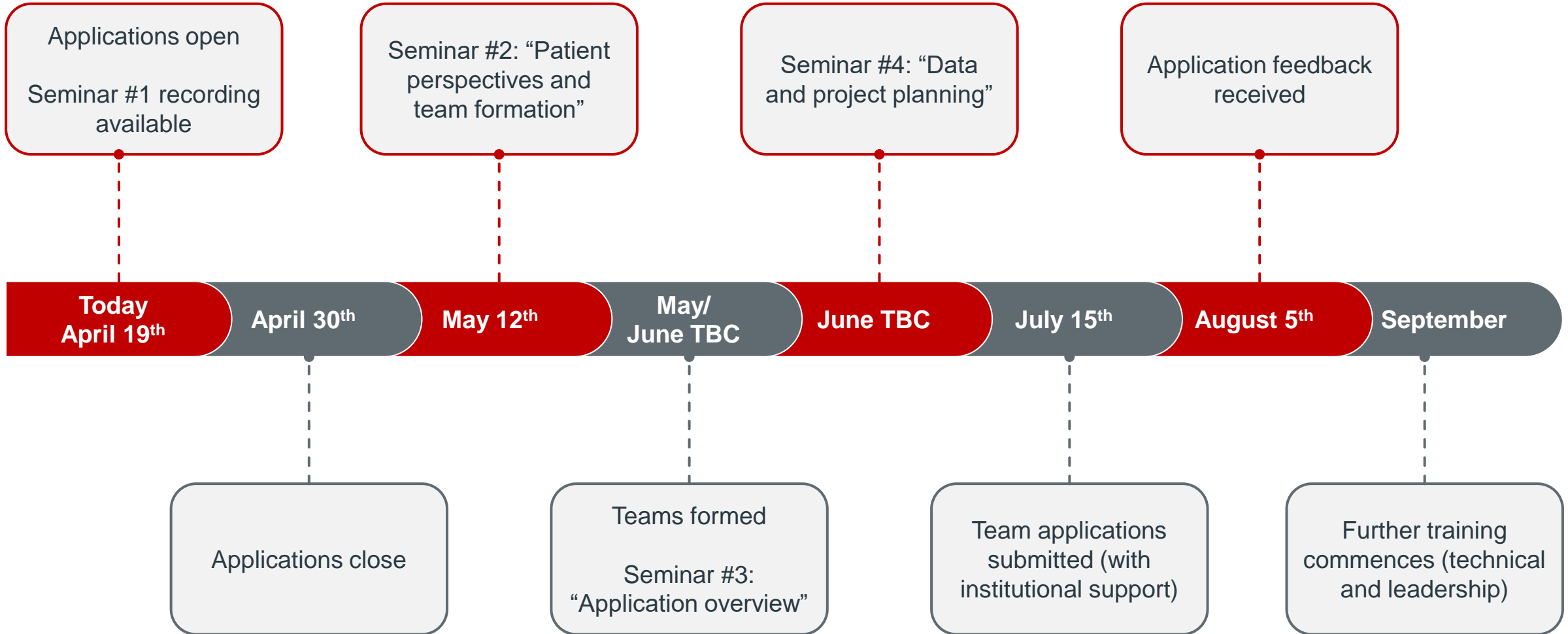
- 1. Host centres of team members** – the suitability of the centres represented as collaborator in a proof of concept network
- 2. Team skill mix** – the ability for the named collaborators to deliver the study
- 3. Project proposal** – quality of the initial proposal outline
- 4. Project delivery** – feasibility of the initial proposal within timescale

Questions?



You can also send questions to training@digicore-cancer.eu

What happens next?



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Thank you

