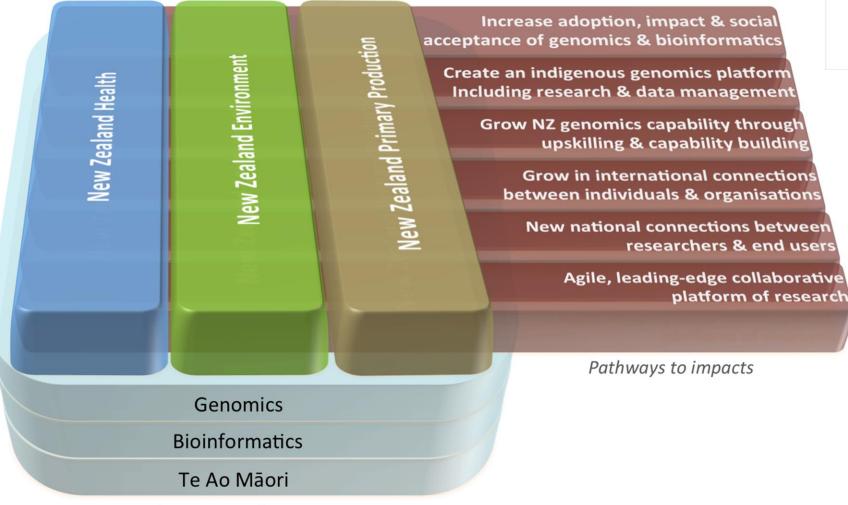


# Enhancing Māori Control of Genomic Data



### **Genomics Aotearoa**

Research projects within 3 themes



Underpinning infrastructure





### Māori Guidelines for Genomic Research

- Te Mata Ira Guidelines for Genomic Research with Māori
- He Tangata Kei Tua Guidelines for Biobanking with Māori
  - Tissue is a taonga
  - Data is a taonga
  - Taonga needs to be managed
- Te Nohonga Kaitiaki Guidelines for Genomic Research with Taonga Species
  - All native species are taonga, introduced species can be taonga, biota and bioactives associated with taonga species are taonga
  - Whakapapa, mauri, mana, tapu, and kaitaiki are integral to taonga
- Cultural, Ethical & Commercial aspects to Consider



### **Reconceptualising Taonga**

Taonga Relationship	Nature of Relationship	Interests	Rights
Primary Taonga Relationship	Any prized or valued thing or concept that exists within Te Ao Māori	"A taonga is something treasured or valued within the framework of the human element or lens. From an Ao Māori perspective this includes all species. Values are dynamic across time and space/place."	Tangata whenua have a rights to all indigenous flora and fauna of Aotearoa
Secondary Taonga Relationship	Any aspect, feature, part of a primary taonga that cannot exist in isolation of the whole.	"Taonga, represents a connection, a process of value, have value to iwi or potential value to Maori."	Where a right exists to a taonga species, this also includes a right to the microbial components, bioactives and all unique properties that comprise its makeup.
Tertiary Taonga Relationship	Anything that plays an instrumental role in the support, revitalisation, maintenance, and overall well being of a taonga.	"All things are important and nothing exists in isolation."	Tangata whenua have rights in relation to organisms that contribute to maintaining the essence of a taonga species

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### Tertiary taonga relationship: *Microorganisms in the ngahere*

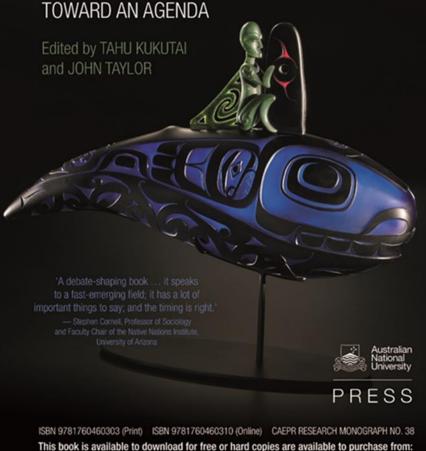
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### THE CHALLENGE OF COMPETING INTERESTS

- 1. 'Indigenous' support for open data and open science
- 2. Increasing 'Indigenous' participation in cutting edge science and technology
- 3. 'Indigenous' aspirations for Indigenous Data Sovereignty

Goal: for Indigenous communities to benefit from innovation and development via greater control of Indigenous knowledge and Indigenous data

### INDIGENOUS DATA Sovereignty



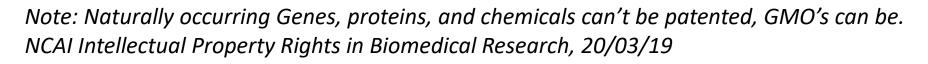
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# Intellectual Property Rights & Cultural Intellectual Property

### Intellectual Property Rights

- Copyright
- Patent
- Plant Variety Right
- Allows you to use them
- Allows you to stop others using them
- Enforcability
  - Courts & Police

- Cultural Intellectual Property
  - Indigenous knowledge or mātauranga Māori
  - Cultural heritage information
  - Genomic sequences of taonga species
- Assert responsibility for them
- Protocols to manage use of them
- Enforcability through ethical expectations/moral obligations



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### Māori Data Sovereignty and Intellectual Property

Indigenous Labels	Maori Data Repository	Maori Data Governance	Trade Secret	Intellectual Property Rights
Public Data	Restricted Data			Protected Data

## Maori Data Sovereignty

Māori control of Māori data

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### Genomics Aotearoa: Māori Data Repository

- Many countries are now regulating data sharing
- GA is proposing a *managed access* approach for researchers and publishers, through an application process.
- Not a 'public' resource
- Researchers make applications to access data from the repository
- Access and storage to be managed within a Māori values framework



### Māori Values Framework

- The Māori values framework is a 'living' approach:
- Facilitated by the Kāhui Māori of Genomics Aotearoa as the decision maker
- Consistent with Māori guidelines
  - Te Mata Ira Guidelines for Genomic Research with Maori
  - He Tangata Kei Tua Guidelines for Biobanking with Maori
- Consents and permissions of tangata whenua, authorities, and genomic sample originators (obtained by the researchers)

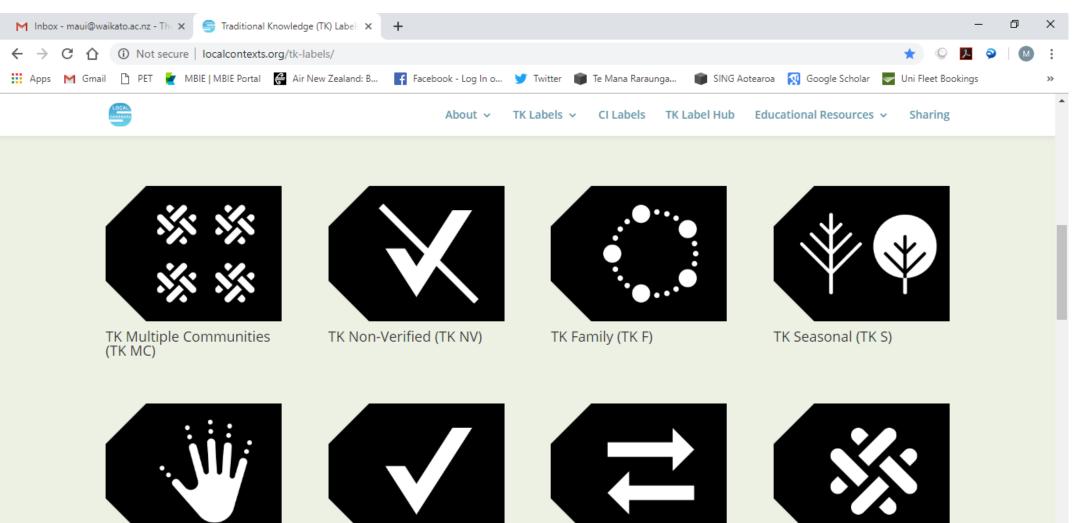


### **Access Principles**

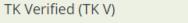
- Māori community;
  - Research consultation and engagement is crucial to inform the data repository of community intentions.
- Māori relationship with taonga does not alter despite changing form from: original -> sample -> data -> report -> IP.
  - Knowledge is not held as a universal right. It is lived, experienced and held by tohunga and kaitiaki with responsibilities.
  - Knowledge is held within cultural context. Not reduced to lifeless data sitting in isolation from that cultural context.

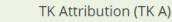


### **Indigenous Origin Labels**



TK Outreach (TK O)





TK Community Use Only (TK CO)

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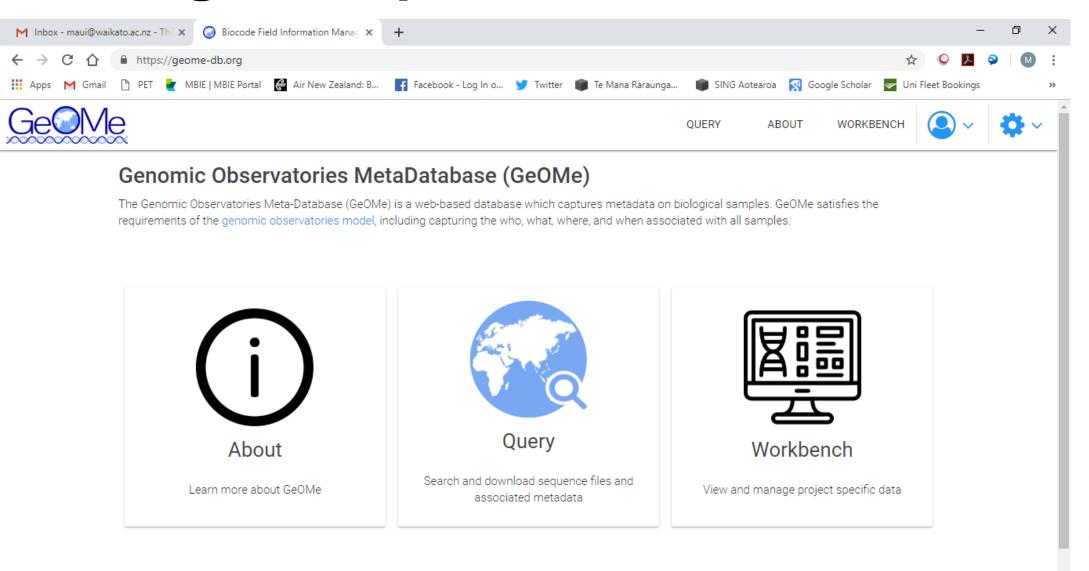
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### Indigenous provenance fields











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