

# Functional IT background and data-based communication can support the CRC screening

The potential of harmonized information policy in effective national implementation of CRC screening



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# CRC screening in the INFORMATION AGE

## Disease diagnostics



Screening  
performance

Screening  
efficacy & safety

..... follow-up

QA & QC



Compliance

Cancer burden

Screening  
effectiveness



**Functional  
CRC screening  
needs robust IT  
infrastructure**

**for:**

1. Optimization
2. Quality evaluation
3. Cost assessment
4. Communication

## Target population



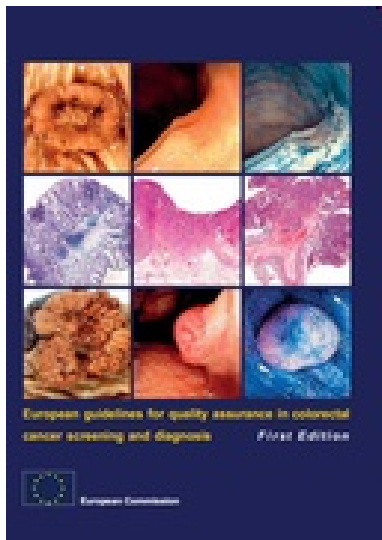
Epidemiology  
Population risk  
assessment

# CRC screening in the ERA of GUIDELINES

European Council Recommendation (2003/878/EC)

The European Parliament Declaration (2010)

**European Guidelines (2010)**



## **Population-based CRC screening**

- public and democratic
- personalized
- controlled

Comprehensive guidelines must be effectively implemented in real world clinical practice.

### Addressed invitation

Coverage monitoring

### Participation rate

Interval cancers

### Follow-up controls

Compliance rate

Detection rate

### Population impact

Here, IT plays very important role !

# CRC screening in the ERA of GUIDELINES

## Europe against Cancer: Optimisation of the Use of Registries for Scientific Excellence in research



<http://www.eurocourse.org>

**WP5: “Interface of cancer registries with cancer screening programmes”** A. Anttila, A. Ponti, G. Ronco, S. Lönnberg, N. Malila, A. Chil, J. Fracheboud, S. Törnberg, M. Zakelj, L. Karsa

### Performance indicators

Indicator	Numerator	Denominator
Extension by screening programme	N target population within the area with the organised screening programme	N of population in corresponding age groups within the whole country
Invitational coverage	N invited during time frame	N eligible in target population
Coverage by examination	N screened or tested during time frame	N eligible in target population
Compliance to invitation (uptake rate)	Screened	Invited
Rate of inadequate tests	Inadequate	Screened
Rate of test positives	Positive test result	Screened
Referral rate to colonoscopy after positive test	Referred	N with a positive test result
Compliance to colonoscopy	Colonoscoped	Referred
Rate of complete colonoscopies	Complete colonoscopies	Total colonoscoped
Biopsy rate	Biopsy taken	Colonoscoped
Lesion detection rate	N with at least one lesion	Screened
Adenoma detection rate	N with at least one adenoma	Screened
Advanced adenoma detection rate	N with at least one advanced adenoma	Screened

### Individual-level data

Var#	Variable name	Format	Length	Values	Description
ID					
01	Personal ID	STR	11		Personal identifier
02	Randomisation date	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
03	Randomisation group	STR	2		
04	Date of birth	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
INVITATION					
05	Municipality name	STR	50		
06	Birth cohort	INT	4	YYYY	
07	Gender	STR	1	F/M	
08	Screening center	STR	50		Name
09	Screening center code	STR	4		Short name - code
10	Invitation date	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
11	Testnumber	INT	12		
12	Repeated test	INT	1	0/1	0 if first in same round, otherwise 1
SCREENING TEST					
13	Testnumber	INT	12		unique identifier, link to invitation
14	Date of sample1	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
15	Date of sample2	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
16	Date of sample3	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
17	Date of examination	DATE	10		for endoscopy
18	Date of 1st level examination	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY
19	Testresult1A	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
20	Testresult1B	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
21	Testresult1C	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
22	Testresult2B	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
23	Testresult3A	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
24	Testresult3B	STR	3	"", "+", "-", "f", "e", "++	
25	Testresult (FOBT)	STR	3	POS, NEG, REF, or ""	
26	Testresult (endoscopy)	STR	6	INADEQ, INCOMP, POS, NEG	
27	Testresult comment (endoscopy)	STR	100		Details of positive test
28	Date of answering	DATE	10		DD/MM/YYYY

# Reality in the CRC screening implementation: 27 EU countries = 27 approaches ?

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EDITORIAL

## Colorectal cancer screening in Europe

Zavoral M., Suchanek S., Zavada F., Dusek L., et al., WJG 15(47), 2009

- ➡ 7 population-based programmes  
+ 3 in pilot implementation
- ➡ 7 opportunistic programmes
- ➡ 3 pilot trials
- ➡ 7 unknown or not started

Table 6 Colorectal cancer screening programs in 2007

	Program		Test type	Screening interval years or times in LT	Age eligible national population	
	Type	Status			Age (yr)	Persons (× 1000)
Austria	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	1 or 2	> 50	2210
	NonPB	Natw	CS	10	> 50	2210
Belgium	No Prog					2880
Bulgaria	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	1	> 31	2340
Cyprus	PB	Natw-plan	FOBT	1 in LT	50	10
	PB	Natw-plan	CS	1 in LT	55	10
Czech Republic	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	2	> 50	3010
Denmark	No Prog					1540
Estonia	No Prog					370
Finland	PB	Natw-roll ong	FOBT	2	60-69	570
France	PB	Natw-roll ong	FOBT	2	50-74	16600
Germany	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	1 and 2	> 50	24500
	NonPB	Natw	CS	10 (2 in LT)	55-74	18800
Greece	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	5	> 50	3180
	NonPB	Natw	CS	5	> 50	3180
Hungary	PB	Natw-pilot	FOBT	2	50-70	2630
Ireland	No Prog					940
Italy	PB	Natw-roll ong	FOBT	2	50-69 (70-75)	13800
	PB	Reg-roll ong	PS	1 in LT	58 or 60	80
Latvia	NonPB	Natw	FOBT	1	> 50	630
Lithuania	No Prog					870
Luxembourg	No Prog					120
Malta	No Prog					120
Netherlands	No Prog					4460
Poland	PB	Natw-roll ong	CS	10	50-65	7500
Portugal	PB	Natw-plan	FOBT	2	50-70	2520
Romania	PB	Natw-plan	FOBT	2	50-74	5800
Slovak Republic	NonPB	Natw	FOBT		> 50	1360
	NonPB	Natw-plan	CS	10	> 50	1360
Slovenia	PB	Natw-plan	FOBT	2	50-69	490
Spain	PB	Reg-pilot	FOBT	2	50-69	210
Sweden	PB	Reg-plan	FOBT	2	60-69	220
UK	PB	Natw-roll ong	FOBT	2	(50) 60-69 (74)	7600
Dual prog/test						-25630
Subtotal						106490
Excluded pop.						29900
Total						135990

The practical implementation of the CRC screening in Europe is evidently heterogeneous and not well reported, although methodical standards are clearly given.

**WHAT TO DO ?**



# The same reality also in the other programmes

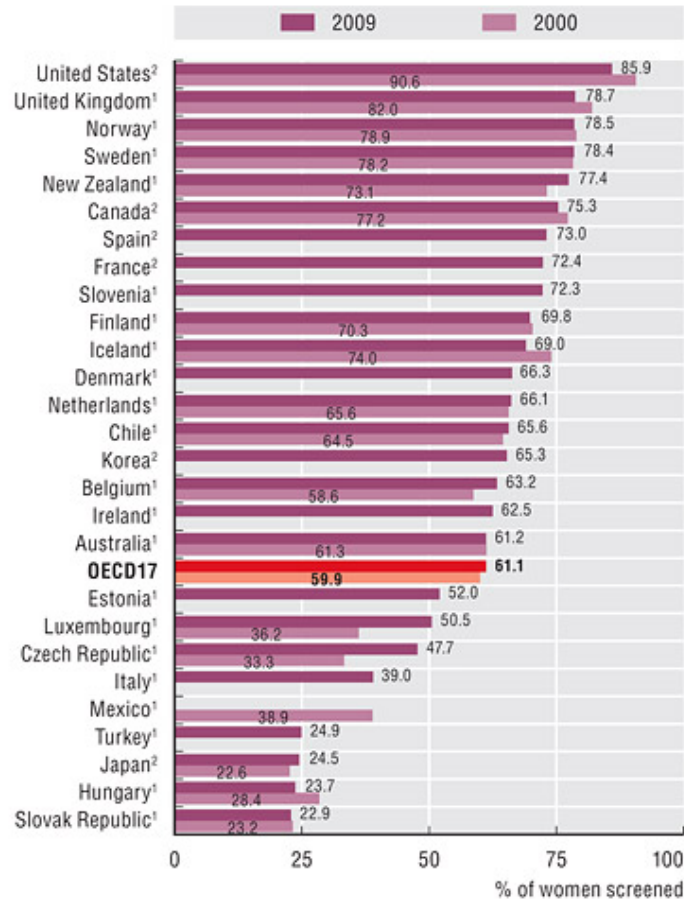


OECD Health Data 2011



## OECD Health at a Glance, 2011

5.8.1 Cervical cancer screening, percentage women screened aged 20-69, 2000 to 2009 (or nearest year)

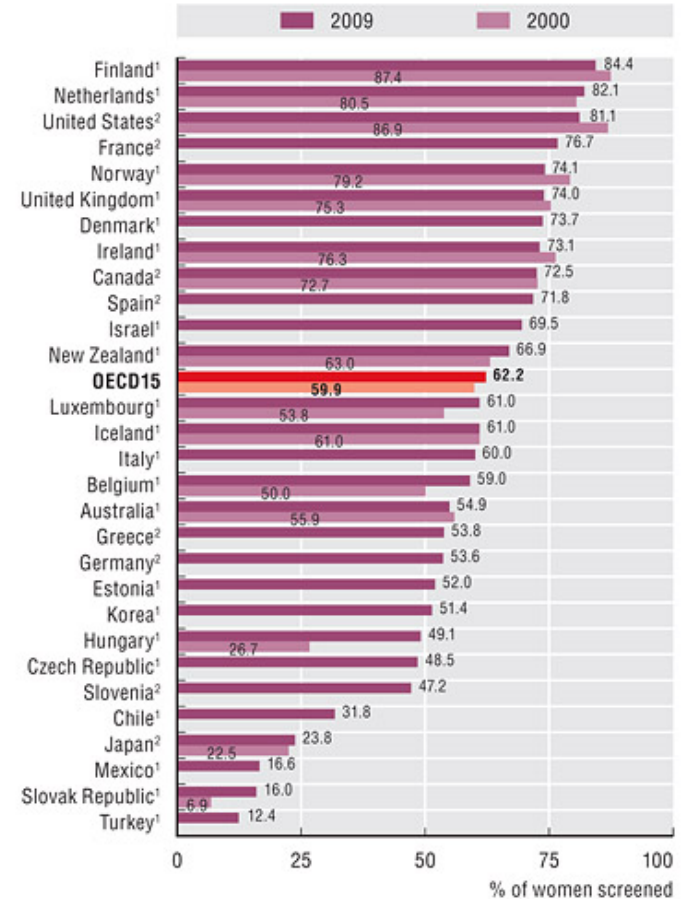


1. Programme. 2. Survey.

Source: OECD Health Data 2011.

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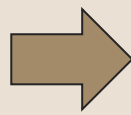
5.9.1 Mammography screening, percentage of women aged 50-69 screened, 2000 to 2009 (or nearest year)



1. Programme. 2. Survey.

Source: OECD Health Data 2011.

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# What to do ?



**We cannot .....**

**..... neglect national specifics**

**..... stop evolving screening techniques**

**We must .....**

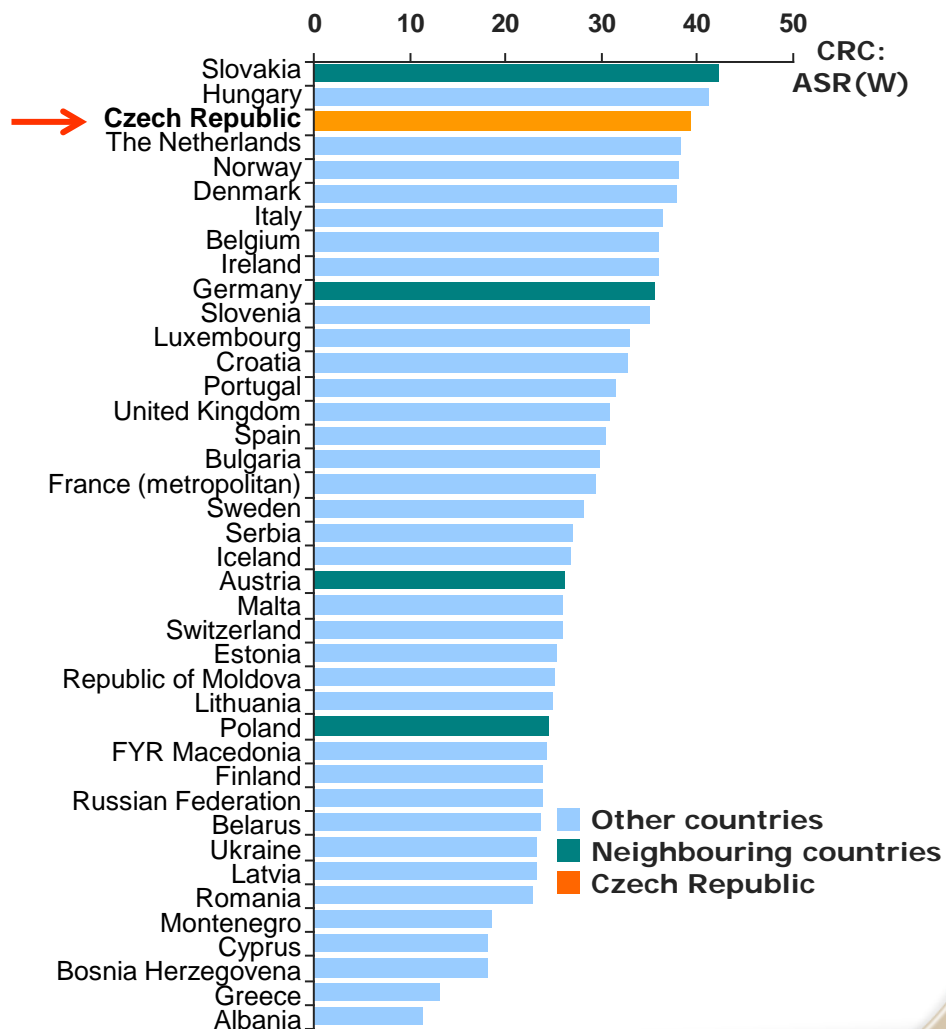
**.... facilitate and harmonize the implementation with respect to the following factors:**

1. Different health care systems require different ways of implementation of the same methodology
2. Different accessibility of information
3. Different legislation or rules for data handling



# Can data-based communication help?

## Czech experience as practical example



Ferlay J, et al. GLOBOCAN 2008, Cancer Incidence and Mortality Worldwide: IARC CancerBase No. 10 [Internet].



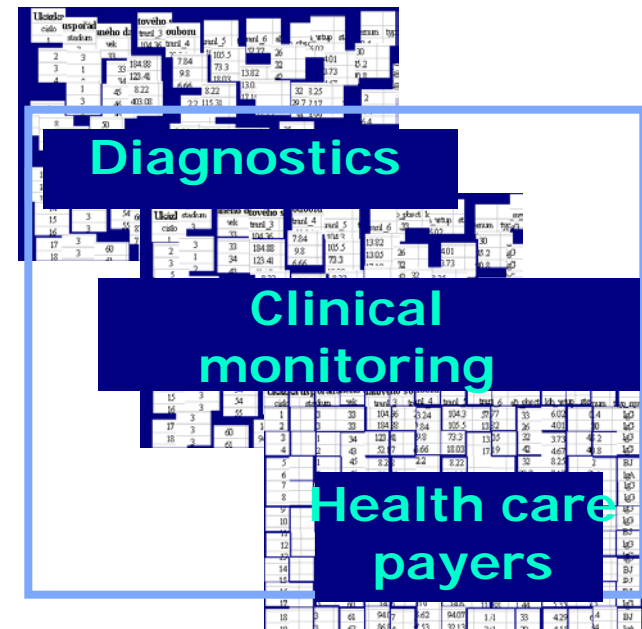


# Czech health care environment does not help

**SCREENING  
PROGRAMME(S)**



**SEPARATED KEY  
INFORMATION SOURCES**



**NON-STANDARDIZED  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS**



# Solution? 1. Respect the health care system

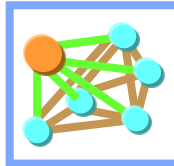
## Central repository



Help desk  
Methodical  
centre



14 regional coordination offices



**Epidemiology  
Cancer care**

189 health care facilities



**Colonoscopy  
Diagnostics**

160 colonoscopy centers



**Primary care  
FOBT**

4 400 GPs

1 200 gynaecologists

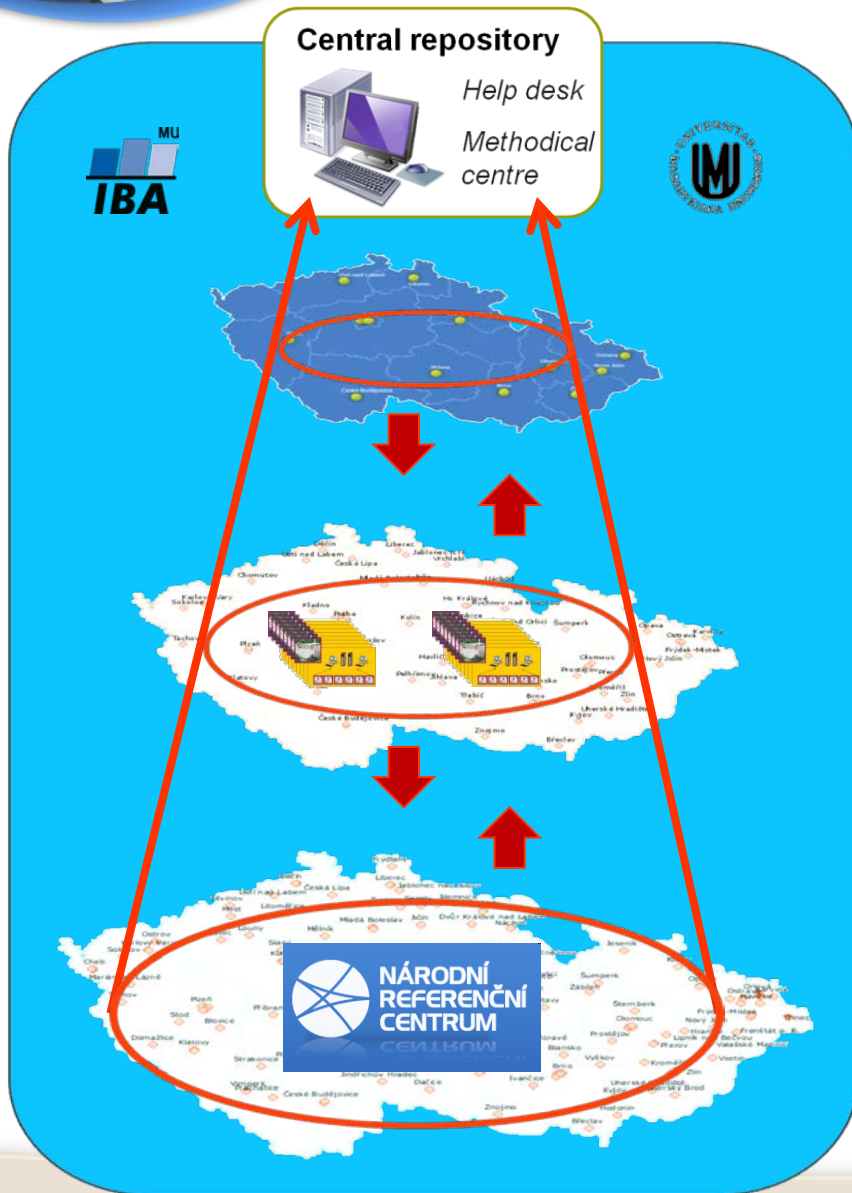
*Equity*

*QA / QC*

**REPORTS**

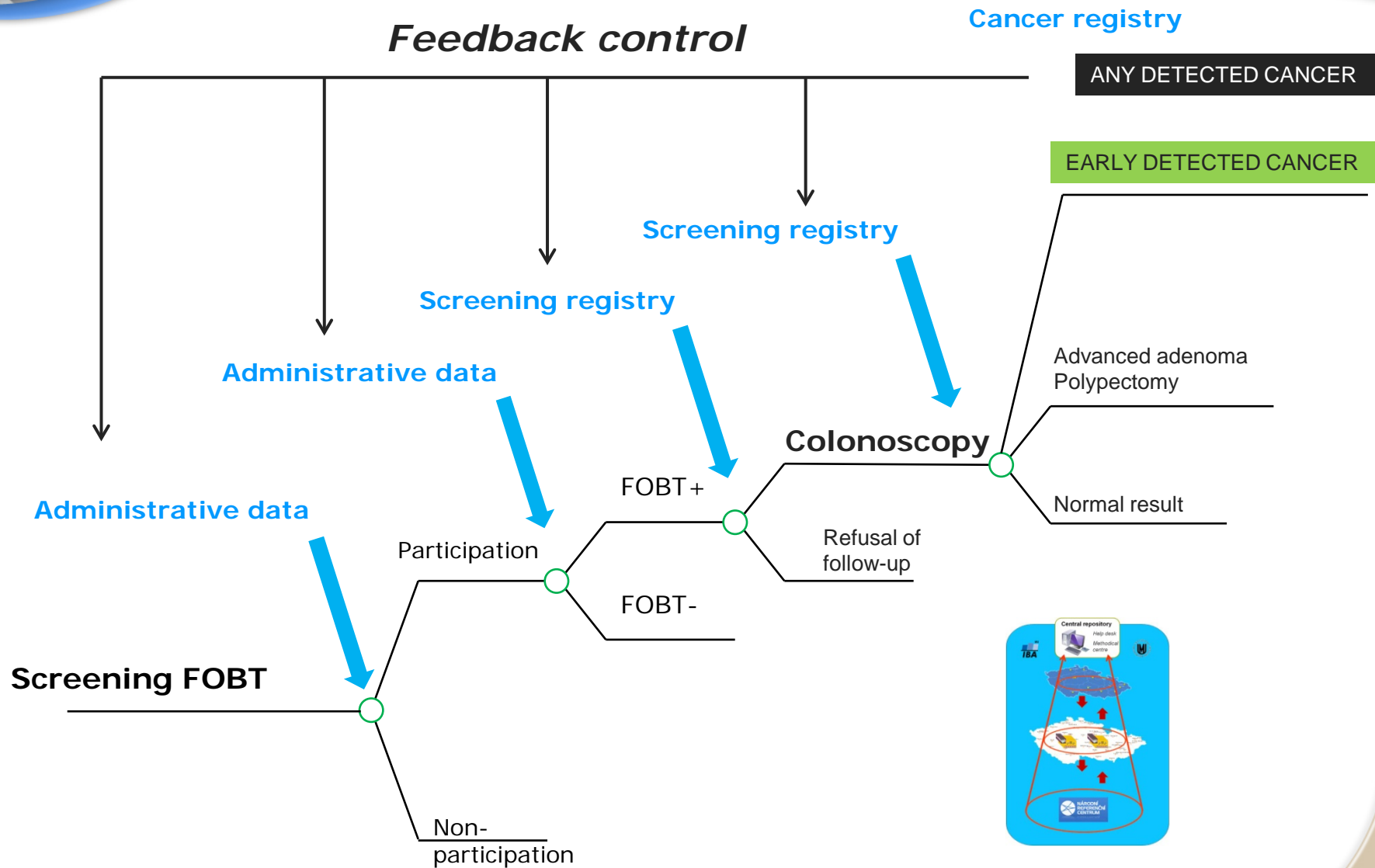
*Follow-up*

*Compliance*



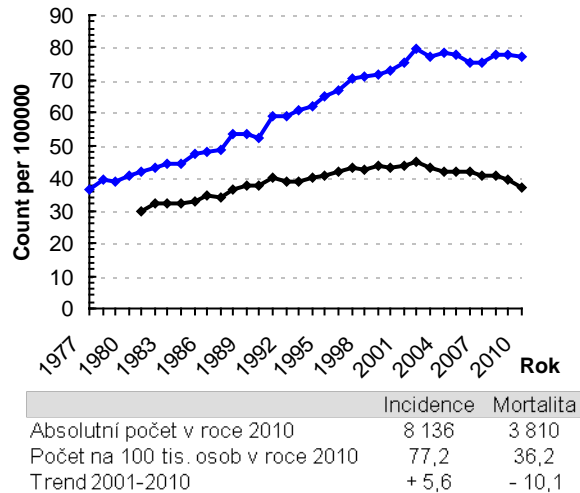


## Solution? 2. Respect the patient flow

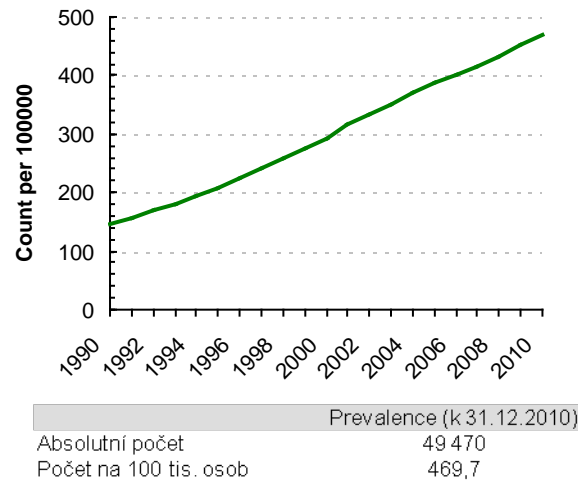


# Solution? 3. Data-based REPORTING

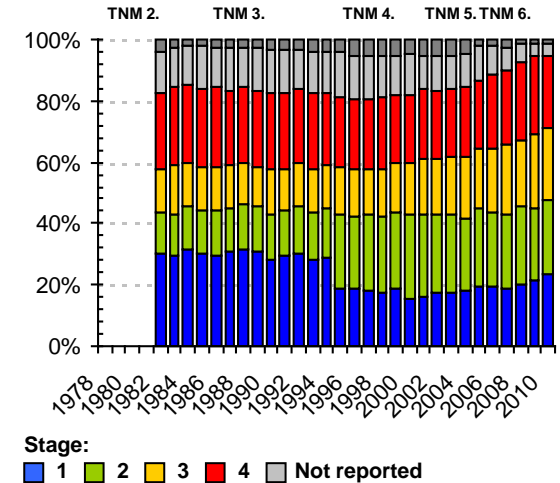
## Epidemiological trends



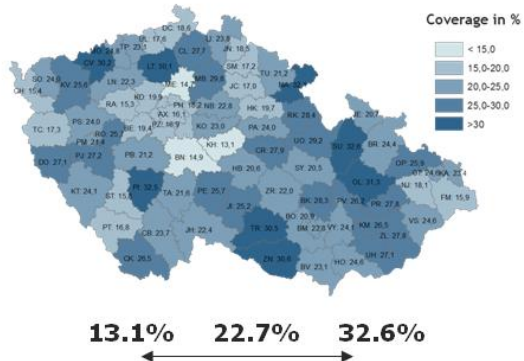
## CRC prevalence and burden



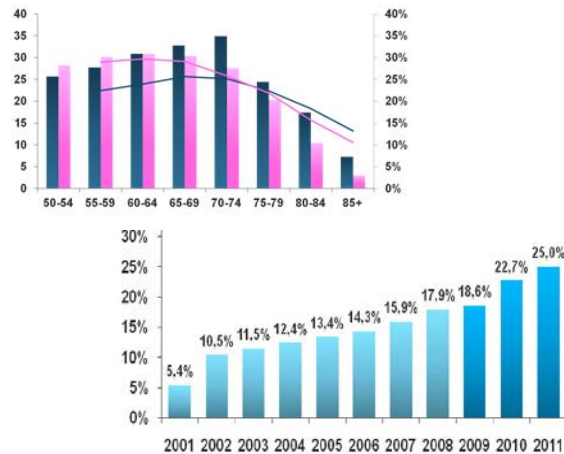
## CRC diagnostics: clinical stages



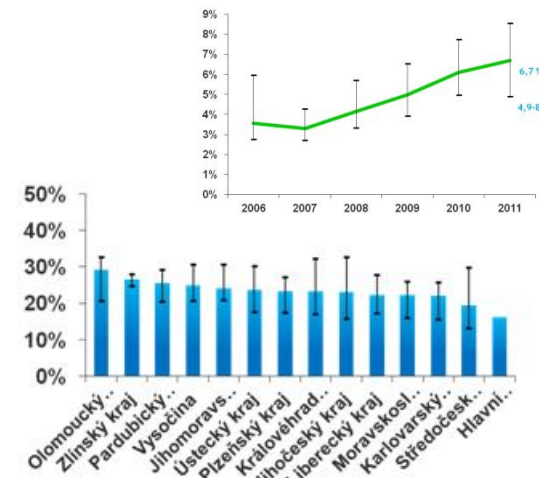
## Performance of CRC screening: regional mapping



## Coverage of CRC screening



## QA / QC in CRC screening

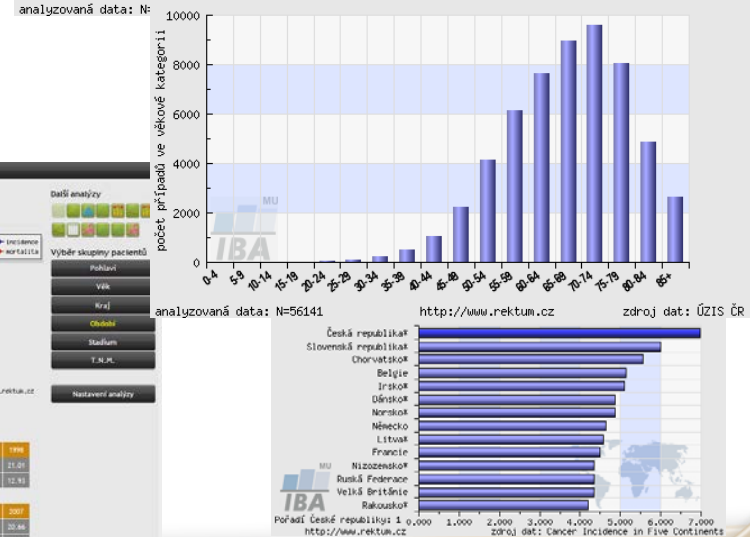
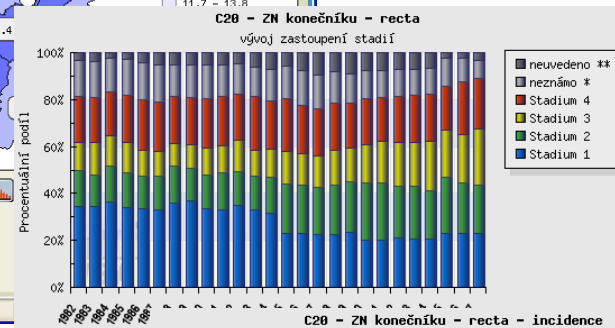
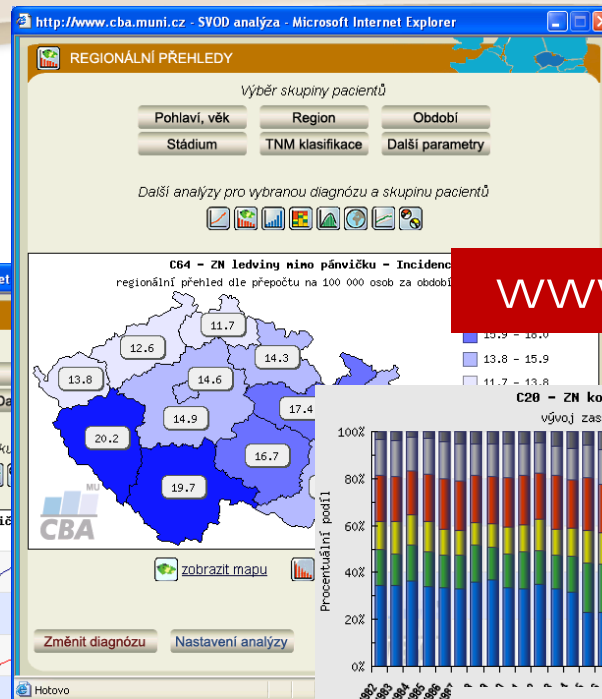
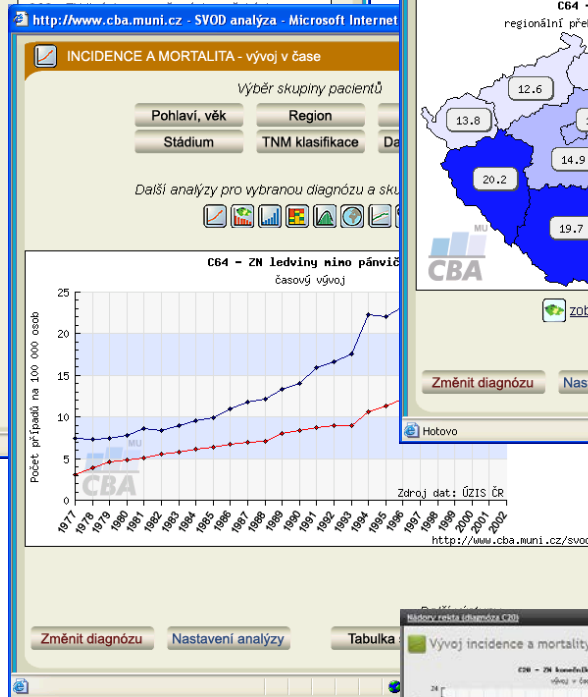
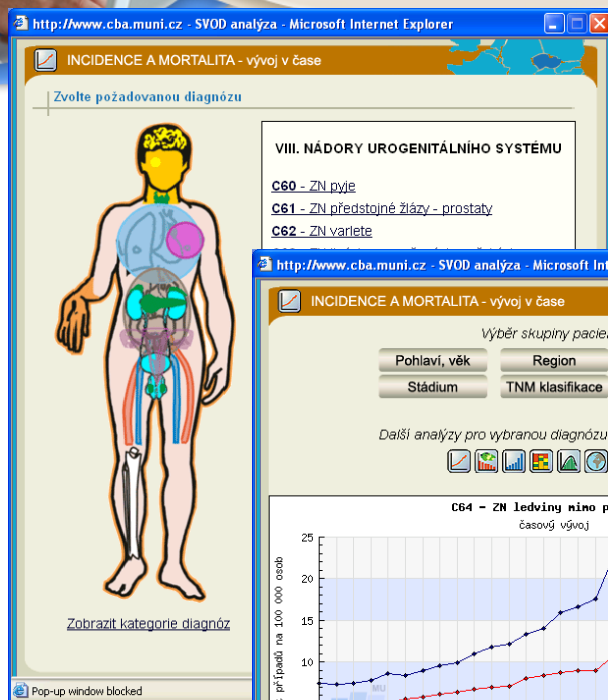




# Solution? 4. On-line accessible information

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[www.kolorektum.cz](http://www.kolorektum.cz)



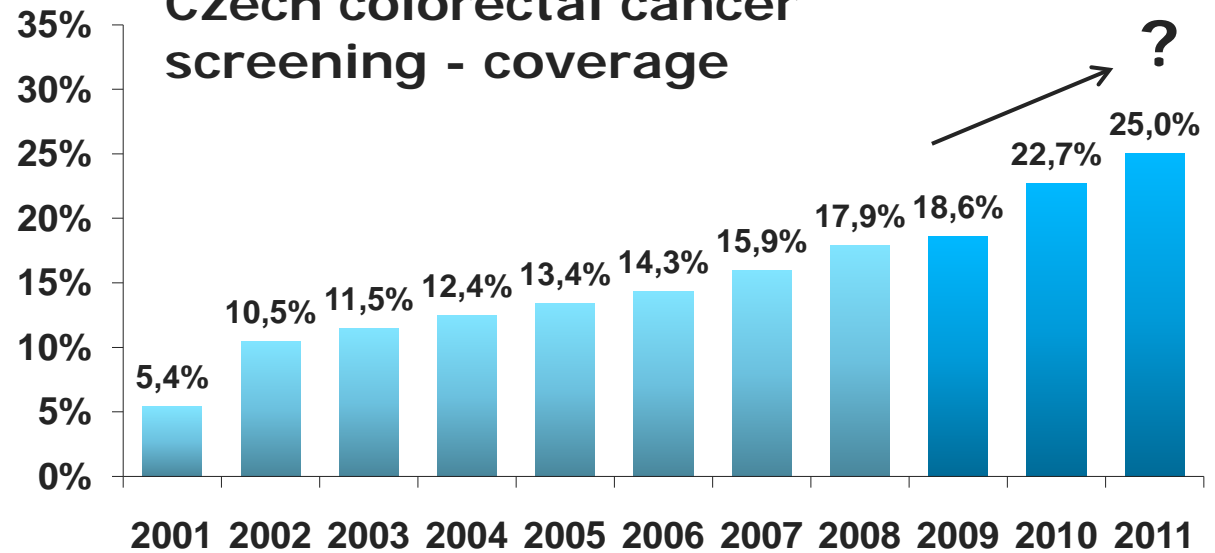
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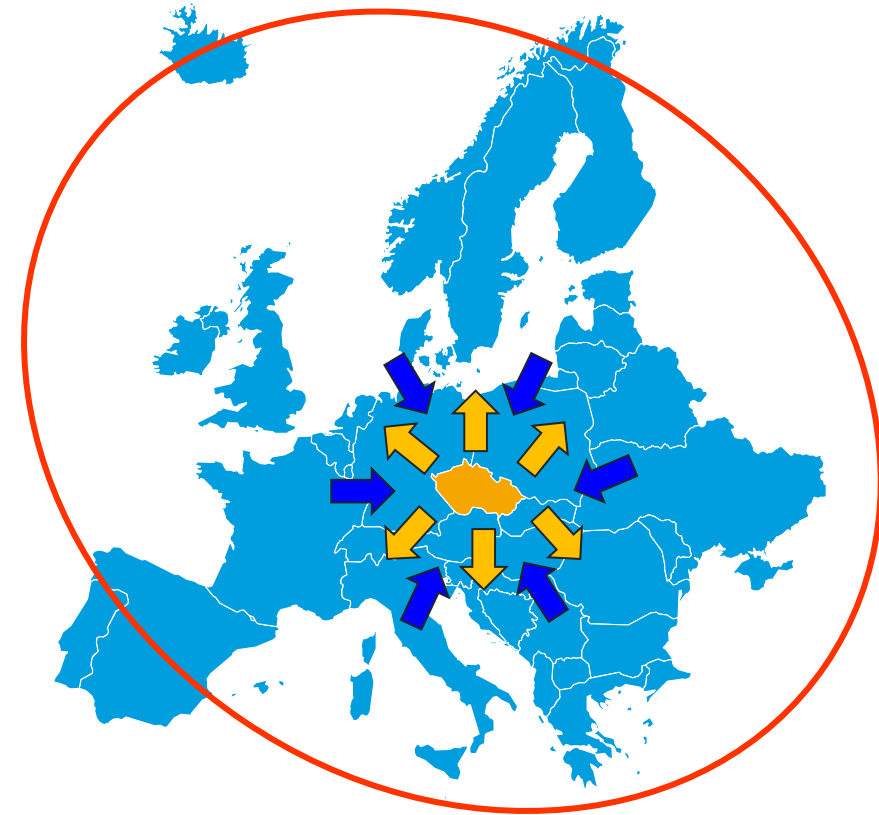
# Can data-based knowledge enhance coverage?

**YES !**

## Czech colorectal cancer screening - coverage



Current challenge for all of us: harmonized implementation of CRC screening in clinical practice

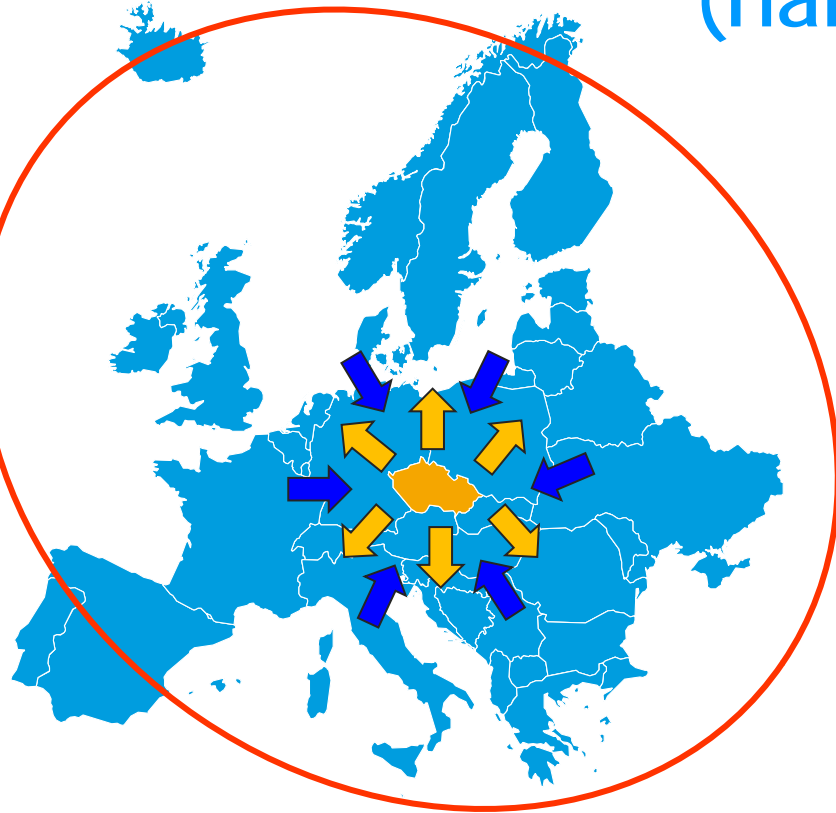


Effective collaboration supporting practical implementation and evaluation of the CRC screening would be highly appreciated

## We need to standardize (harmonize):

1. E-data capture systems
2. Integration tools for heterogeneous data
3. Data mining tools
4. Standard national and **European reporting**
5. Employment of population cancer registries
6. **Legislative support** for merging of different data sources
7. IT guidelines for addressed invitation to screening
8. **Communication guidelines**
9. (E) - learning approaches

Excellent example:  
European cancer observatory  
- <http://eco.iarc.fr>





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