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**Lessons from a ten-year-long journey: building a student-driven  
computational biology society across Türkiye**

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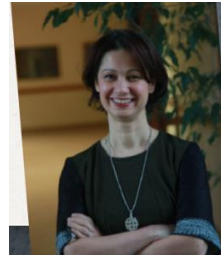
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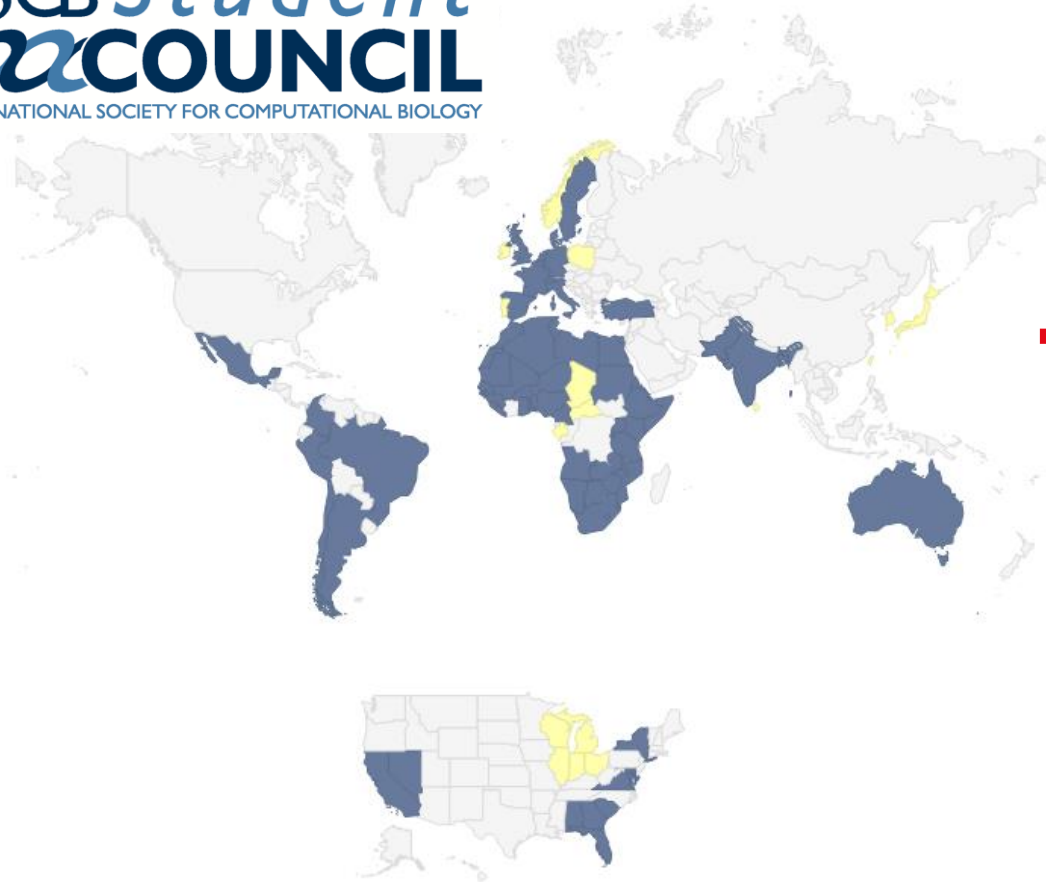





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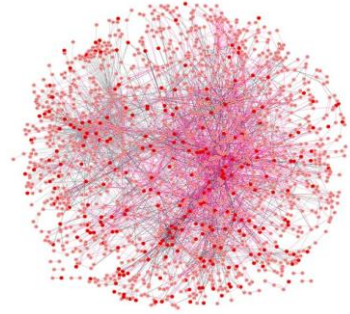


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- RSG Netherlands
- RSG Mexico  
- RSG Pakistan  
- RSG Sri Lanka
-  RSG Turkey
- RSG Western Africa
- RSG Southeastern USA
- RSG Australia (COMBINE)  
- RSG Brazil
- RSG DC
- RSG Eastern Africa
- RSG Germany
- RSG Italy
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RECONSTRUCTION OF SIGNALING NETWORK TOPOLOGY FROM  
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ASSOC. PROF. DR. TOLGA CAN, METU, TURKIYE

**ABSTRACT:** Given a set of proteins of interest in a signaling pathway, a common problem is to elucidate the signaling interactions and the dynamics of these interactions between these proteins. A first step towards an accurate solution is to figure out the underlying network topology; before working out the details of the dynamics of these interactions using biochemistry or structural biology. Several experimental techniques, such as RNAi screens, are designed to infer the structure of signaling networks. Existing solutions, either manual or automated, usually suffer from the scalability problem: they are not practical for signaling networks containing more than 20-30 proteins. In our research group, we target this problem and have developed a couple of algorithms in the past to construct larger scale signaling networks. In my talk, I will first show that reconstructing signaling networks from perturbation data is indeed a difficult problem. I will then propose two heuristics to solve the problem approximately and show that the approximate solutions are biologically acceptable. Finally, I will discuss our recent formulation which utilizes available time series data in reconstruction of the network topology. Our results show that, time series data is very valuable in scaling the solution easily to networks of larger sizes.

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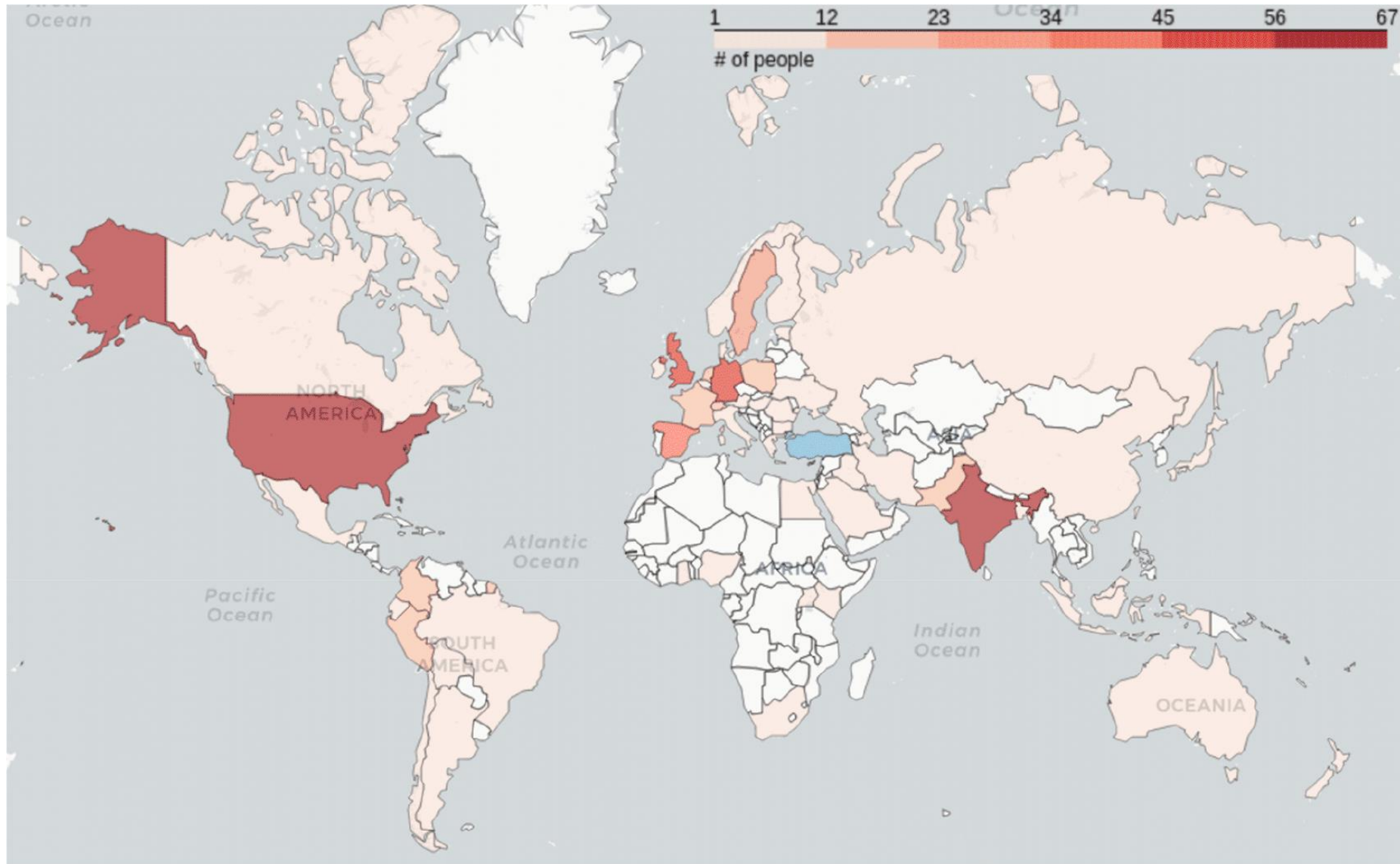
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# Webinars



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**25-29 November 2019**

**Hacettepe University**

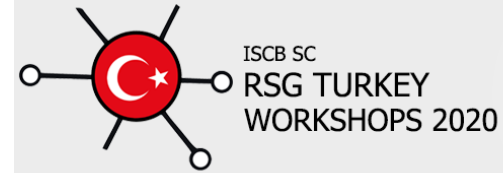
Instructor: **David Žihala**

**Registrations are open!**

<https://github.com/DavidZihala/AnkaPy>



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- Theoretical Background of scRNA-seq
- Introduction to Data Processing of scRNA-seq
- Overview of Data Formats and Preparation for the Tools
- Theoretical Background of scATAC-seq
- Applications and Analysis of scATAC-seq

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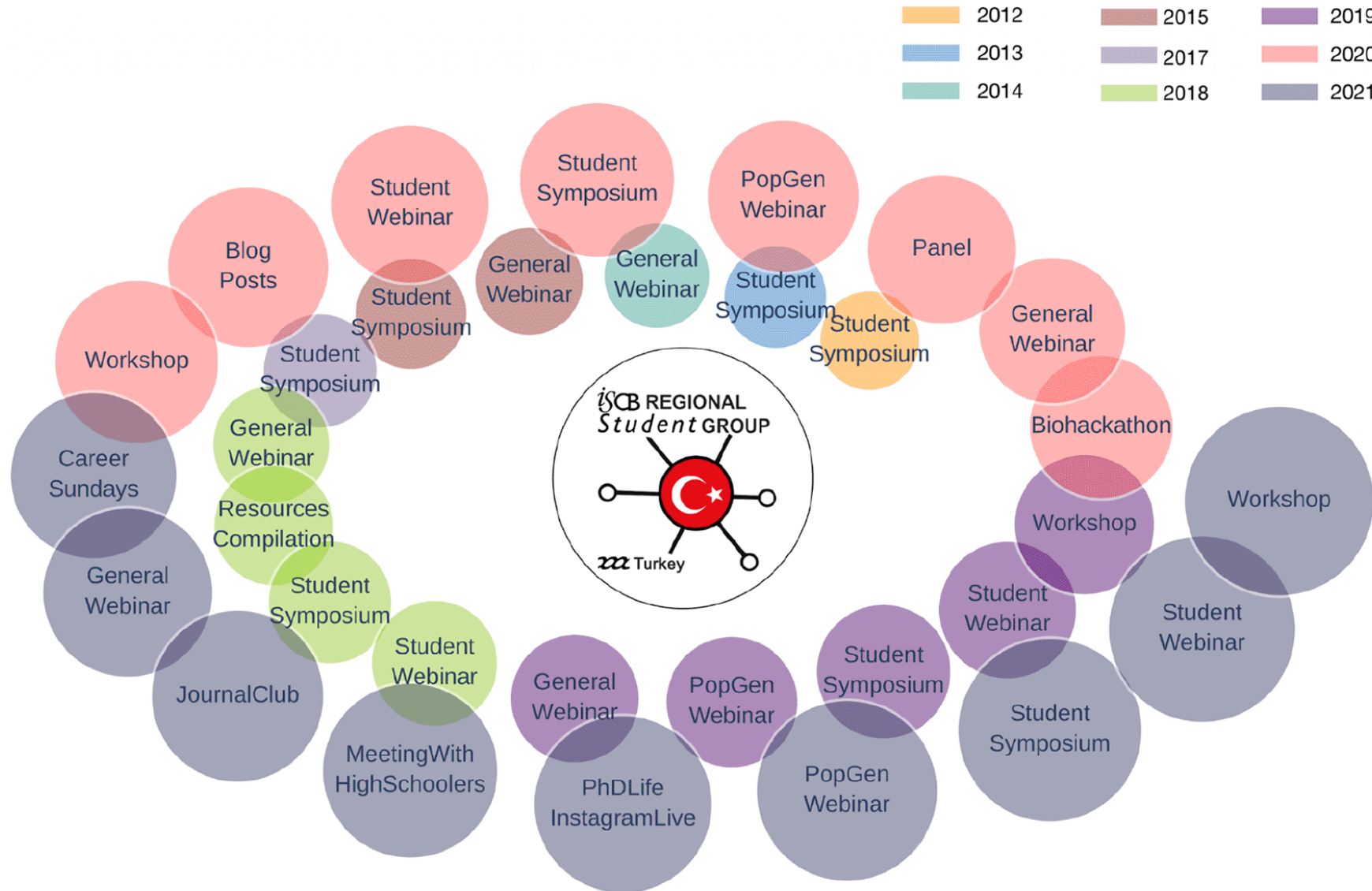
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# Events



Main events and activities of RSG-Turkey across years.



# ISCB-SC RSG Turkey Student Symposium

October 22  
2022

## Keynote Speakers



**Yet another new era for transcriptomics: single-cell**  
Department of Bioengineering  
Ege University

**Dr. Yasin Kaymaz**



**Sex differences in vaccine responses**  
The Jackson Laboratory for  
Genomic Medicine (JAX-GM)

**Assoc. Prof. Duygu Uçar**



**Toward understanding disease gene function with single-cell genomics and machine learning**  
Genentech / Roche

**Dr. Gökçen Eraslan**

## Essential Guide for Graduates



**A. Dilan Kıran**  
Ege University



**Sevilay Güleşen**  
Leipzig University



**E. Ravza Gür**  
Oxford University



**Engin Tatlıdil**  
RSG Turkey



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# Lessons from a ten-year-long journey: building a student-driven computational biology society across Turkey [version 1; peer review: not peer reviewed]

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## Abstract

The Regional Student Group Turkey (RSG-Turkey) is officially associated with the International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB) Student Council (SC). At the RSG-Turkey, we aim to contribute to the early-career researchers in computational biology and bioinformatics fields by providing opportunities for improving their academic and technical skills in the field. Over the last ten years, we have built a well-known student-driven academic society in Turkey that organizes numerous events every year and continues to grow with over 650 current members. Celebrating the 10th anniversary of RSG-Turkey, in this communication, we share our experiences, five main lessons we learned, and the steps to establish a long-standing academic community: having a clear mission, building a robust structure, effective communication, turning challenges into opportunities, and building collaborations. We believe that our experiences can help students and academics establish long-standing communities in fast-developing areas like bioinformatics.

  
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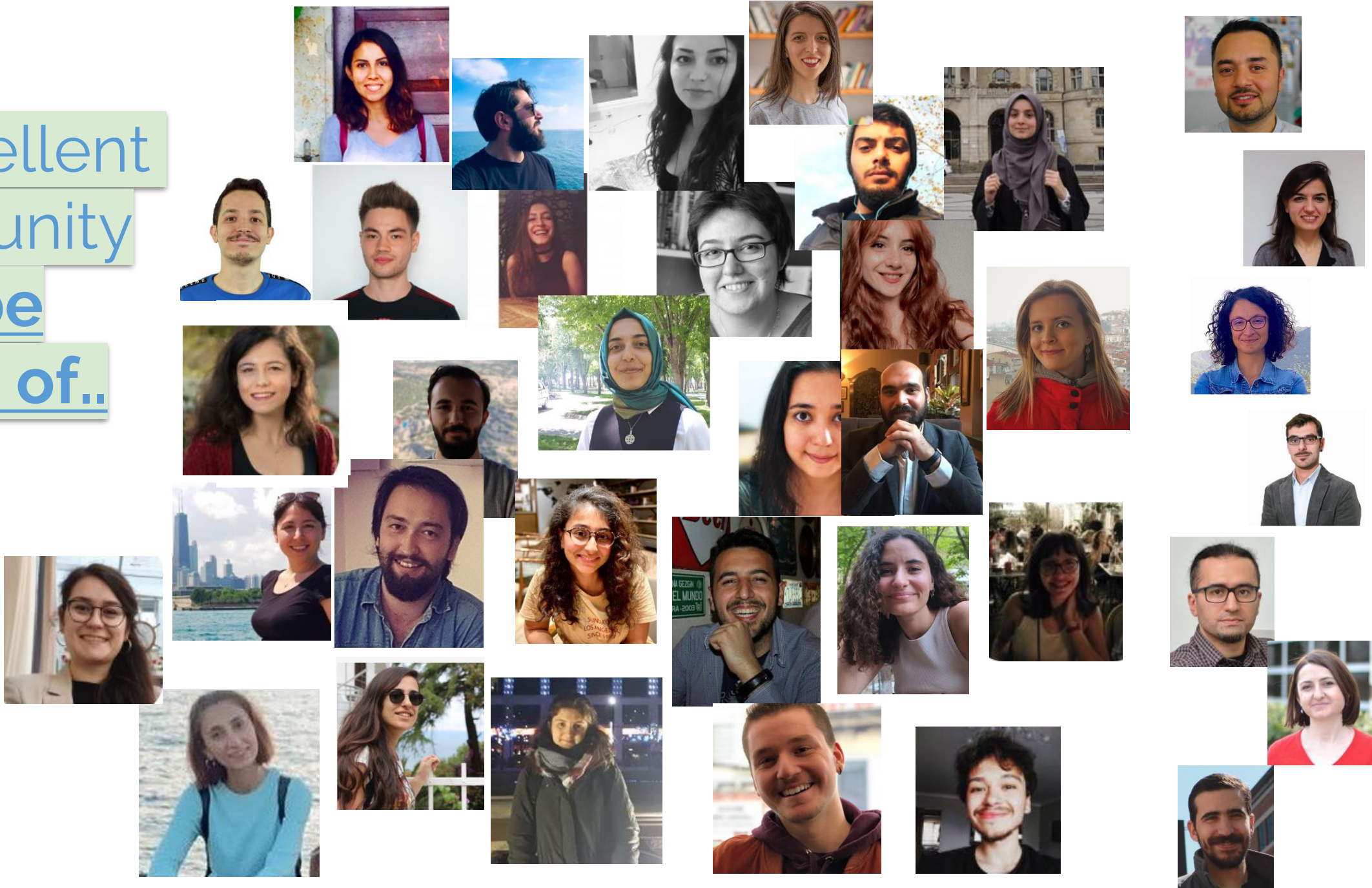
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