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### Introduction

Evolution studies have always been a devoted field of research for CNRS. When genomics started modifying all the classical approaches to explore genomes, the French Organism immediately supported the initiative of the group of seven laboratories, founders of “Genolevures”, that associated, with the aim of understanding the origin, evolution and diversity of the yeast world.

The following pages of this special issue celebrating the tenth anniversary of the Consortium clearly demonstrate how progress in comparative genomics led to the discovery

of unexpected pathways of evolution. A bright future can be foreseen for Génolevures and its community in their continuous effort to elucidate the multiple facets of expression and evolution of eukaryotic genomes.

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