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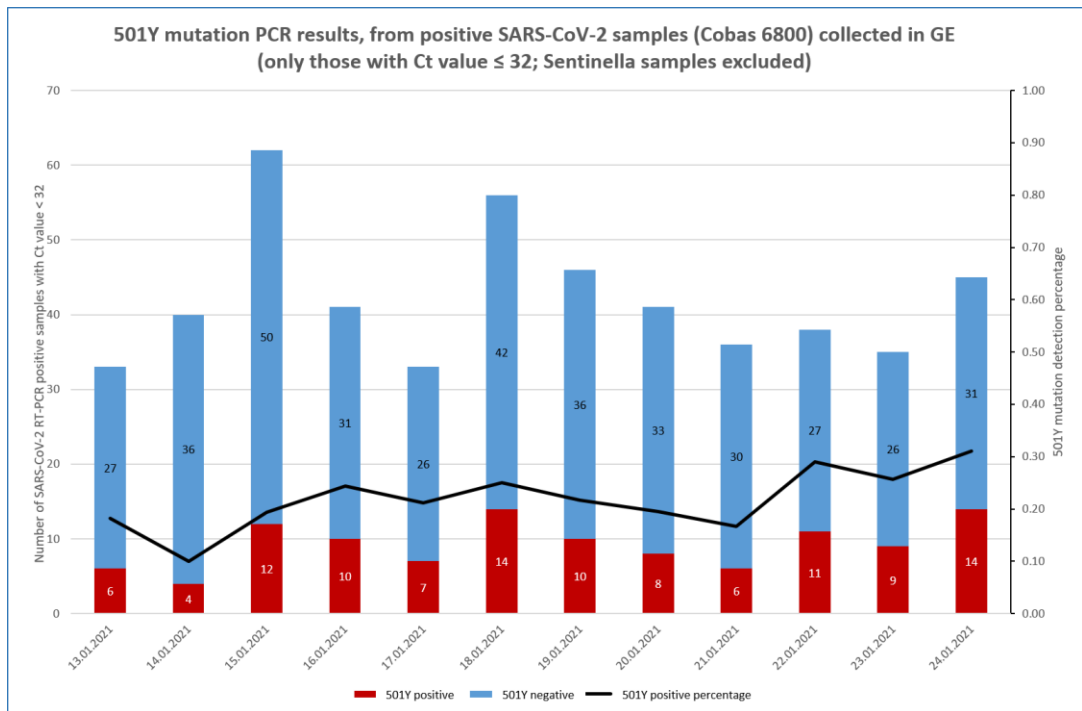
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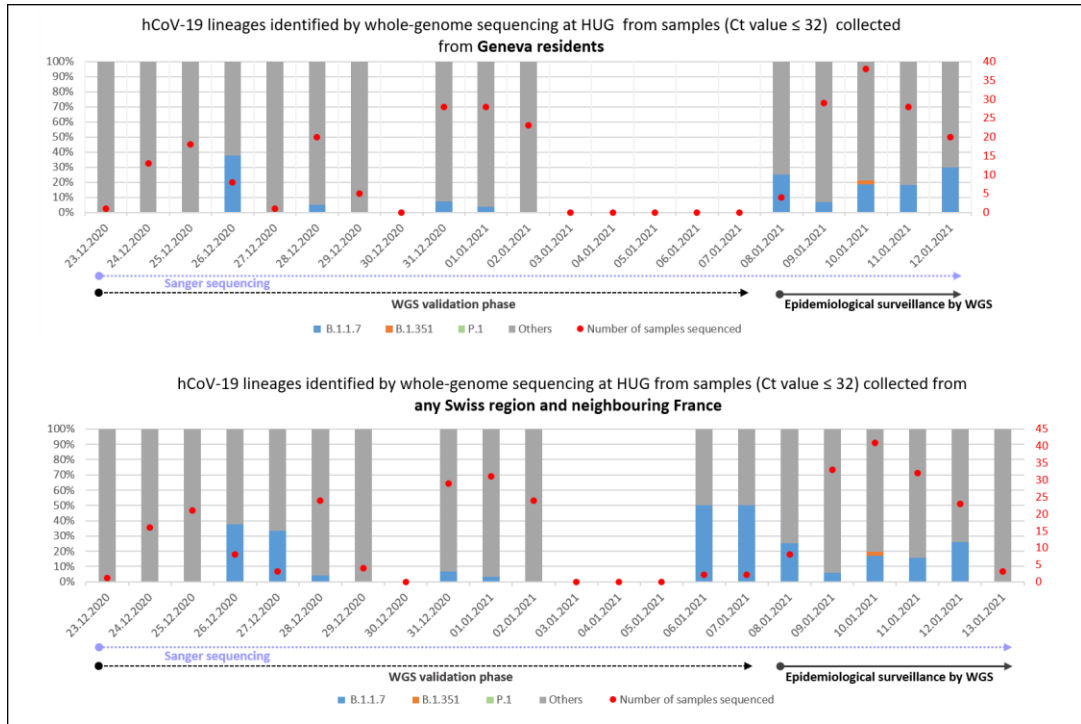
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**SARS-CoV-2 variants: follow-up of previous updates in Geneva**

**501Y mutation screening by RT-PCR among SARS-CoV-2 positive samples collected in GE and addressed to our laboratory for primary diagnosis**



**Whole genome sequencing results performed on SARS-CoV-2 positive samples collected in GE and addressed in our laboratory for primary diagnosis**



**Conclusions:**

- Increase in the percentage of B.1.1.7 variant among SARS-CoV-2 positive samples in the Geneva area.
- Sporadic detection of B.1.351 (501Y.V2).
- No P.1 detected so far.

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