

RNA-Seq Data Analysis

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- 2-day course with mixture of theory and practical sessions
- Previously run as taught module for the DPhil programme in Genomic Medicine and Statistics at WHG (opened out to Medical Sciences Division)
- High interest within WHG and good opportunity to initiate new interactions between researchers and Bioinformatics Core team – tell us about what you are working on!

Course Tutors



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<http://www.well.ox.ac.uk/bioinformatics-statistical-genetics>

Many years experience with sequencing data and particularly transcriptomics



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- Introduce key steps of RNA-Seq analysis from raw data to biological interpretation of results
- Provide orientation and context to techniques, tools and developments in this diverse field
- Focus on practical aspects of dealing with data generated by an RNA-Seq experiment
 - Alignment and data formats
 - Checking data quality and characteristics
 - Understand how to use analysis packages appropriately

- Insight into RNA-Seq experiments and dealing with the data they generate
- Depending on background, may be a lot of new information to take in
 - Think of the broader messages of each session
 - Remember Bioinformatics Core can run any or all of the steps for you and help you get to the biological interpretation stage
 - Often helpful anyway for the early processing steps which are computationally intensive
- Some may be keen to develop computational biology skills, perhaps as part of DPhil or for new career opportunities
 - Be aware that is a considerable investment of time and effort if coming from non-computational background (but many benefits)
 - Once data processed to gene counts, can analyse using R on a laptop
- For those who are bioinformaticians themselves, gaining further knowledge and ability to analyse a new type of data