

Future Opportunities for Genome Sequencing and Beyond

Recommendations on Clinical Sequencing at Scale
NHGRI Workshop, July 28-29, 2014

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**Integrating Genomic Sequencing into Clinical
Care: CSER and Beyond**

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Charting genome sequencing's future: NHGRI workshop offers potential paths to discovery and the clinic

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On July 28-29, 2014, the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) convened geneticists, biologists, clinicians, bioinformatics specialists and others to provide expert advice on the future of its flagship Genome Sequencing Program (GSP).

The two-day meeting, titled, *Future Opportunities for Genome Sequencing and Beyond: A Planning workshop for the National Human Genome Research Institute*, was the third formal review of the GSP, the previous discussions taking place in 2005 and 2009. After the last review, new core programs were added, including efforts to find causes of rare diseases and move genome sequence information into the clinic. In addition to the long-established Large-Scale Sequencing and Analysis Center (LSAC) program, the GSP now includes the Centers for Mendelian Genomics program, the Clinical Sequencing Exploratory Research (CSER) program and the Genome Sequencing Informatics Tools (GS-IT) program.

NHGRI should continue its role as a "genomics trailblazer," said NHGRI Director Eric Green, M.D., Ph.D. This means supporting research into new DNA sequencing methods and data analysis techniques and solving difficult problems in genome sequencing, he said.

The success of NHGRI's efforts in this area will lie in its ability to partner with other institutes and organizations, he

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Adam Felsenfeld, Ph.D.
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- **Integrating genomic variant discovery with function**

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Clinical Genome Sequencing at Scale



Break Out Group Members

- Katrina Armstrong
- David Bentley
- Les Biesecker
- Stephen Chanock
- Rex Chisholm
- Mildred Cho
- Mark DePristo
- James Evans
- Stephen Fodor
- Richard Gibbs
- Robert Green
- Lucia Hindorff
- Carolyn Hutter
- Gail Jarvik
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- Steve Joffe
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Recommendations for Clinical Genome Sequencing

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- Define clinical contexts in which genome sequencing improves patient outcomes

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- Enable rapid, robust detection of all clinically relevant variation in a single test

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- Leverage clinical sequencing data for research use

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- Improve approaches for determining pathogenicity

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- Identify effective methods for implementing sequencing in medical practice

Define clinical contexts in which genome sequencing improves patient outcomes

- Support catalytic research
- Demonstrate whether/ when genome-scale testing improves health
- Develop evidence based paradigms
- Address role of sequencing in public health



Enable rapid, robust detection of all clinically relevant variation in a single test

- Improve accuracy
- Decrease cost and turn-around time
- Expand to RNA/transcriptome variation when merited
- Increase the spectrum of tissues undergoing clinical sequencing



Leverage clinical sequencing data for research use

- Foster a “virtuous cycle”
- Use exemplar studies to influence key areas:
 - clinical utility
 - clinical implementation
 - data sharing
 - tool development



Improve approaches for determining pathogenicity



- Incorporate genetic, functional and computational data
- Expand beyond manual curation
- Facilitate the development of standards

Identify effective methods for implementing sequencing in medical practice



- Develop novel clinical decision support tools
- Broaden the population impact
- Connect with professional societies

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Future Opportunities for Genome Sequencing and Beyond: A Planning Workshop for the National Human Genome Research Institute

July 28-29, 2014

Bethesda North Marriott & Conference Center
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On July 28-29, 2014, the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) sponsored the workshop - *Future Opportunities for Genome Sequencing and Beyond: A Planning Workshop for the National Human Genome Research Institute* - at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center.

The objectives of the workshop were to:

- Discuss the scientific questions and opportunities that can be substantially addressed by large-scale genomics studies, starting with genome sequencing but also considering other genomic technologies.
- Consider options for future NHGRI programs that would address these questions and opportunities.

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