

We need your help to shape future directions of genomic data science. We hope you are up to the challenge.

Why are we doing this?

The National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) wants to establish a [2020 vision for genomics](#). Genomic Data Science is one of the most rapidly evolving areas of scientific research and we need your input to make sure we anticipate future research needs.

How will we do it?

NHGRI will host two, 90 minute, virtual Town Halls on **Thursday, October 31st** and **Tuesday, November 19th** at **12:00 p.m. ET** to explore what you perceive to be the future research challenges in genomic data science which will, in turn, inform our priorities and next steps. These Town Halls will be rich, participatory events where you will have the opportunity to explore these challenges with fellow researchers working at the intersection of genomics and data science before reporting back with your insights.

What do you need to do?

We are mindful of your time, which is why these Town Halls will be short (90 minutes), virtual (so you don't have to travel) and - we hope - an enjoyable way of connecting with new and interesting colleagues.

Please register your interest and sign up for one of the Town Hall meetings on either [Thursday, October 31st](#) or [Tuesday, November 19th](#) at **12:00 p.m. ET**. You will get a confirmation email once you register, and a unique URL to join the Town Hall.

You may be interested in the background to this exercise, and we invite you to have a look at the attached PDF. You can also visit the [2020 vision for genomics](#) website for more details.

We encourage you to extend this invitation to others whom you think might be interested in participating – trainees and investigators alike.

We look forward to seeing you on October 31st or November 19th.

Questions? Please email support@knowinnovation.com.