



**Nordic Alliance  
for Clinical Genomics**



# Welcome to **the 15th NACG workshop**

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**Holmen fjordhotell, 26-27 September 2024**

# Agenda

## Main theme:

## Long read sequencing in clinical genomics

26th September, Day 1

Time	Item	Responsible
10:00 - 10:30	Registration and coffee	Oslo University Hospital
10:30 - 11:00	Welcome address	Dag Undlien
11:00 - 12:00	<b>Invited keynote speaker:</b> Prof. dr. Christian Gilissen, Radboud university medical center, The Netherlands. Experiences from long read sequencing	
12:00 - 13:00	<b>National updates</b> relating to development in national programs in genomic medicine, precision diagnostics and precision medicine	Anna-Kaisa Anttonen Søren Vang Dag Undlien Eiríkur Briem Valtteri Wirta
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 15:30	<b>Parallel session 1 – long read sequencing.</b> Bioinformatics Introductions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- “Long read phasing and de novo assembly”, Jesper Eisfeldt</li><li>- “Structural variant analyses in long read sequencing”, Anuradha Ravi</li><li>- “Repeat expansion detection with targeted long read sequencing”, Pádraic Corcora</li></ul> <i>Methods, tools and pipelines</i>	Ksenia Lavrichenko, Jesper Eisfeldt
	<b>Parallel session 2 – long read sequencing.</b> Wet lab; Experiences and challenges Introductions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- “Optimization of Nanopore Adaptive Sampling for rapid, cost-effective targeted native sequencing”, Ebbe Norskov Bak</li><li>- “Targeted long-read capture is both scalable and economical for population and clinical genomics”, Tina Han</li><li>- “Visual browsing vs long-read SV-calling algorithms (read the small print)”, Gregor Gilfillan</li></ul> <i>DNA extraction, choice of method, pitfalls in sample preparation, robotics, scalability in wetlab</i>	Ida Höijer, Anna Lyander, Aino Palva

15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break and visit at sponsor booths	
16:00 - 16:15	<b>Summary of today's workshops</b>	Workshop coordinators
16:15 - 17:30	<p><b>Rapid-fire session on knowledge sharing</b>  <i>Brief presentations (6+1 min)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Comparison of cancer gene panels for somatic mutation detection in solid tumors", Outi Monni</li> <li>- "Reducing turnaround times: optimising lab preparations and bioinformatics workflows", Beatriz Sá Vinhas and Marcela Gallardo</li> <li>- "Prenatal exome sequencing at Turku Genomics Laboratory", Minna Toivonen</li> <li>- "Genomic Medicine Sweden: Three national long-read sequencing pilot projects", Malin Melin</li> <li>- "Automations arrival to lab and it's effect to CNV analysis", Henrikki Almusa</li> <li>- "What it took to get an IVD class C device approved for genetic diagnostics", Ben Liesfeld</li> <li>- "Experiences from implementing two long read platforms", Linnéa La Fleur, Felix Lenner and Susanne Månér</li> <li>- "Ring chromosome in exome sequencing", Salla Rusanen</li> <li>- "Features of gnomAD v4", Ronja Hotakainen</li> </ul>	Dorte Launholt Lildballe
17:30-19:30	Time on your own – spa, sauna or free time	
19:30 – 20:00	Pre-dinner drink and social activity	Oslo University Hospital
20:00	Dinner	

## 27<sup>th</sup> September, Day 2

Time	Item	Responsible
09:00 – 10:00	<p><b>Bridging the gap – experiences with AI-solutions in clinical genomics</b></p> <p><i>In the 14<sup>th</sup> NACG workshop AI-solutions was the major theme.</i>  <i>Brief presentations (8+2 min)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Introduction to AI in diagnostics", Lena Hausdorf</li> <li>- "Limitations of AI in genomics", Ben Liesfeld</li> <li>- "Benchmarking of AI-based variant prioritization tools: status update", Oleg Agafonov and Ksenia Lavrichenko</li> <li>- "How can AI help identify novel disease-causing mutations in diagnostics and research?", Rocío Acuña-Hidalgo</li> <li>- "An AI driven platform to support the diagnostic process for germline applications", Christophe Meynier</li> <li>- "EU AI Act and its consequences for users of AI-based IVD medical devices", Oleg Agafonov</li> </ul>	Beate Skinningsrud
10:00 – 10:20	Coffee break and visit at sponsor booths	

10:20 – 11:30	<b>Long read seq; Clinical applications - sharing experiences</b> <i>Brief presentations (12+2 min)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- “Implementation of Long-Read Genomes for SV and Imprinting Disorders”, Martin Larsen</li><li>- “Identifying shared DNA methylation abnormalities in mendelian disorders of the epigenetic machinery”, Katrin Möller</li><li>- “Long read sequencing in hereditary cancer”, Mev Dominguez Valentin</li><li>- “From Symptoms to Diagnosis: Detection of Repeat Expansions with Nanopore adaptive sampling”, Søren Færgeman, Simon O. Drue and Ebbe N. Bak</li><li>- “Implementing PacBio sequencing in a clinical setting”, Jakob Holm Dalsgaard Thomsen and Inge Søkilde Pedersen</li></ul>	Majbritt Busk Madsen, Ksenia Lavrichenko, Gry Asker
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch	
12.30 – 13:30	<b>Long read seq; Clinical applications - sharing experiences</b> <i>Brief presentations (12+2 min)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- “Rapid diagnosis of leukemic aberrations using nanopore sequencing”, Ida Höijer</li><li>- “Nanopore Sequencing in Functional Genetics – Experiences and insights two years later”, Ulf Birkeland</li><li>- “Testing different long-read platforms in a clinical setting”, Majbritt Busk Madsen</li><li>- “The clinical utility of whole genome long read sequencing in neonatal hypotonia diagnostics”, Hans Matsson</li></ul>	Majbritt Busk Madsen, Ksenia Lavrichenko, Gry Asker
13:30 – 13:55	<b>Workshop</b> <b>Long read seq; Clinical applications - possibilities, limitations and scalability</b>	Majbritt Busk Madsen, Ksenia Lavrichenko, Gry Asker
13.55 – 14.15	Coffee break and visit at sponsor booths	
14:15 – 14.45	<b>Data sharing – Experiences from national data sharing of interpreted variants in Norway</b>	Dag Undlien
14:45 – 15:00	<b>Summary &amp; farewell, announcement of next WS</b>	Dag Undlien

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