

BIO-463

**Genomics and bioinformatics**

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<b>Cursus</b>	<b>Sem.</b>	<b>Type</b>
Bioengineering	MA1, MA3	Opt.
Sciences du vivant	MA1, MA3	Opt.
Systems Engineering minor	H	Opt.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	4
Session	Winter
Semester	Fall
Exam	During the semester
Workload	120h
Weeks	14
<b>Hours</b>	<b>4 weekly</b>
Courses	2 weekly
Exercises	2 weekly
<b>Number of positions</b>	

**Summary**

This course reviews the different techniques of DNA sequence analysis and the associated bioinformatics tools in the context of applications to current research in molecular biology.

**Content**

- Genome sequencing and assembly
- Genome annotation, gene prediction
- Hidden Markov Models
- Comparative genomics
- Phylogenetic trees
- Models of molecular evolution
- Transcription
- Gene expression profiling
- Gene regulation
- Chromosome conformation

**Learning Prerequisites****Recommended courses**

Molecular biology, genetics, linear algebra, ordinary differential equations, basic statistics, computer programming

**Important concepts to start the course**

DNA and RNA, replication, transcription and translation.

**Learning Outcomes**

By the end of the course, the student must be able to:

- Interpret large-scale genomic data
- Manipulate high-dimensional, noisy and heterogeneous genomic data
- Describe classical algorithms for DNA sequence analysis and gene expression classification
- Develop a quantitative understanding of transcriptional regulation

### Transversal skills

- Access and evaluate appropriate sources of information.
- Summarize an article or a technical report.
- Communicate effectively with professionals from other disciplines.
- Use both general and domain specific IT resources and tools

### Teaching methods

2 hours lecture (theoretical concepts) followed by 2 hours practical exercises (review the theory and practice with bioinformatics tools and data)

Lecture notes, slides and exercises provided on Moodle.

### Assessment methods

2 written tests covering mostly the lecture part: at week 7 and week 14, each counts for 50% of the grade.

### Resources

#### Bibliography

- A primer of genome science / Greg Gibson, Spencer V. Muse
- Bioinformatics: sequence and genome analysis / David W. Mount
- Bioinformatics and functional genomics / Jonathan Pevsner
- Biological sequence analysis: probabilistic models of proteins and nucleic acids / Richard Durbin

#### Ressources en bibliothèque

- [Bioinformatics and functional genomics / Pevsner](#)
- [Biological sequence analysis: probabilistic models of proteins and nucleic acids / Durbin](#)
- [A primer of genome science / Gibson](#)
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#### Moodle Link

- <http://moodle.epfl.ch/course/view.php?id=11181>