







# The Institute of Genetic and Biomedical Research of CNR in collaboration with the Technology Park of Sardinia, the European School of Genetic Medicine and the University Residential Centre of Bertinoro organize the

4<sup>th</sup> Sardinian Summer School Course

# From GWAS to Function

Polaris Technology Park, Pula (Cagliari), June 22 - 26, 2015

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# **Faculty:**

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	Time		Lecturer	Specific titles (to be defined)	
	Session 1: Population Genetics				
Monday, 22	09:00-10:00	Lecture 1.1	J. Novembre		
	10:00-11:00	Lecture 1.2	A. Torroni		
	11:00-11:30	Coffee break			
	11:30-12:30	Lecture 1.3	L. Luzzatto		
	12:30-14:00	Lunch			

14:00-15:30   Workshop 1.1   J. Novembre	
16:00-17:30   Workshop 1.2   J. Novembre & S. Schiffels	
Session 2: GWAS interpretation	
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10:00-11:00	
11:00-11:30   Coffee break	
11:30-12:30   Lecture 2.3   N. Soranzo     12:30-14:00   Lunch     14:00-15:30   Workshop 2.1   S. Sanna, I. Prokopenko     15:30-16:00   Coffee break     16:00-17:30   Workshop 2.2   G. Abecasis, C. Sidore     Session 3: DNA and RNA sequencing: approaches and challenges     10:00-10:00   Lecture 3.1   G. Abecasis     10:00-11:00   Lecture 3.2   D. Nickerson     11:00-11:30   Coffee break     11:30-12:30   Lecture 3.3   S. Montgomery     12:30-14:00   Lunch     Free Afternoon     Session 4: From GWAS to function     09:00-10:00   Lecture 4.1   F. Cucca     10:00-11:00   Lecture 4.2   D. Schlessinger     11:00-11:30   Coffee break     11:30-12:30   Lecture 4.3   O. Ohara     12:30-14:00   Lunch     14:00-15:30   Workshop 4.1   S. Montgomery	
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Session 5: From GWAS to function	
10:00-11:00 Lecture 5.1 S. Sawcer	
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12:30-13:30 Lunch	
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# Target:

The objective of the course is to develop specific competences and skills for academic work and research. The program consists of lectures and practical sessions which are geared toward moving from GWAS data to functional studies. The focus will be on facilitating the maximum possible interaction among lecturers

and participants. The lectures are planned to give overviews on new approaches to genetic variation studies and to apply this information to different areas of research, in particular related to complex and monogenic traits. Special emphasis will be given to recent progress resulting from genome-wide association studies, which will serve as a starting point to analyze the genetic control of traits by integrating biological principles of trait formation and the impact of functional information on variations.

This summer school is addressed to graduate students, post-doctoral researchers from different backgrounds (including molecular biology, bioinformatics, genetics, mathematics) who wish to learn more about or move into the complex genomics field.

### Venue:

Polaris Technology Park- Loc. Piscinamanna, 09010 Pula (CA), Italy. The Technology Park is located in the territory of Pula, in the hinterland of Cagliari, close to the South-Western coast of Sardinia. Its grounds cover an area of 160 ha, set in a nature park at the foot of the Sulcis mountain range.

### **Applications:**

The course is funded by the Regional Sardinian government and **registration will be free of charge for all attendees**. Selection will be based on CV and a letter stating the motivations for attending the course and future research plans of candidates. A letter of reference from the current supervisor must also be attached to the application.

Registration includes course material, lunches and coffee breaks (**not accommodation expenses – see below**). Free shuttle services will be provided from Cagliari Elmas Airport to the hotel and from the hotel to the Polaris Technology Park Auditorium.

### Deadline for all applications: May 11, 2015 at 18.00.

Within one week from the application deadline all applicants will be informed about admission. Applications should be sent to <a href="mailto:info\_sc2015@irgb.cnr.it">info\_sc2015@irgb.cnr.it</a>

All participants are encouraged to present a poster. June 5, 2015: deadline for sending abstracts for posters to: info\_sc2015@irgb.cnr.it

Each abstract, CV and motivation letter will be classified by the scientific directors with a priority score: presenters of the best 10 will be offered a scholarship covering room and board in a double standard room for the entire summer school.

### Accommodation:

Faculty and students will be lodged at the hotel Flamingo and the hotel Mare Pineta, both located by the seaside, a few kilometers from the Polaris Technology Park.

# Flamingo Hotel (www.hotelflamingosardinia.com)

The rate for a double standard room occupancy (to be shared with another participant) is  $\le 92,00$ /per night.

The rate for a double standard single use room per person is € 117,00/per night, if available.

# Mare Pineta Hotel (http://www.marepinetahotel.com/)

The rate for a double standard room occupancy (to be shared with another participant) is  $\notin$  72,00/per night,.

All rates include breakfast and dinner (half-pension).

For more info re: accommodation please write to: info\_sc2015@irgb.cnr.it

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