

# 2nd joint training – June 20th-21st 2023

## Introduction to Bioinformatics for genomic data mining

### TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023

- 9.15 **Registration (for entering the premises of RIVM)**
- 9.45 Welcome and general overview on the joint training activities (Wilma Jacobs, EURL-*Salmonella*)
- 10.00 Introduction to WGS
1. Sequencing platforms & output data (20') (Adrien Asséré, EURL-*Listeria monocytogenes*)
  2. Verification of the integrity of the raw data files (like md5sum) (20') (Angela van Hoek, EURL-*Salmonella*)
  3. Bioinformatics analysis of NGS data: approaches and opportunities (command-line tools, commercial software, web servers) (20') (Joakim Skarin, EURL-Viruses)
- 11.00 **Coffee break**
- 11.20 Introduction on quality check and trimming (Valeria Michelacci, EURL-VTEC)
- 11.40 **Hands-on exercises – Quality check and trimming**  
Quality check and trimming using different tools and platforms. Results interpretation.  
*FastQC and Positional and Quality Trimming on ARIES (Valeria Michelacci, EURL-VTEC)*  
*Quality check and trimming with Seqsphere (Bo Segerman, EURL-Campylobacter)*
- 12.45 **Lunch break**
- 13.45 Introduction on assembly and assembly statistics (Lauge Holm Sørensen, EURL-AMR)
- 14.00 **Hands-on exercises – Assembly statistics**  
Assembly statistics using different tools and platforms. Results interpretation.  
*Hands-on SPAdes and Quast from ARIES (Federica Gigliucci, EURL-VTEC)*  
*Demo: Seqsphere Assembly Quality Check (Angela van Hoek, EURL-Salmonella)*
- 15.00 From BAM to BCF and beyond, making sense of aligned data (Paolo Vatta, EURL-Parasites)
- 15.30 **Hands-on exercises – Mapping approach**  
Demonstration of mapping through different platforms.  
*Hands-on E. coli virulotyping using a mapping approach (Federica Gigliucci, EURL-VTEC)*  
*Demo: Mapping with Seqsphere (Déborah Merda, EURL-Listeria monocytogenes)*

### WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2023

- 8.45 **Registration (for entering the premises of RIVM)**
- 9.15 Introduction to gene detection using BLAST approach (Marina Cavaiuolo, EURL-CPS)
- 9.30 **Hands-on exercises – Search of genetic features on contigs**  
Identification of virulence and AMR genes using different tools and platforms. Results interpretation.  
Demonstration of genes identification on contigs through different platforms.  
*Hands-on ResFinder on CGE webserver (Lauge Holm Sørensen, EURL-AMR)*  
*Demo: Salmonella virulotyping with Seqsphere (Angela van Hoek, EURL-Salmonella)*
- 10.15 Parasites WGS: opportunities and challenges (Simone Cacciò, EURL-Parasites)
- 10.45 **Coffee break**
- 11.00 Introduction to genome comparisons: gene-by-gene VS SNPs ([Guidance document for cluster analysis](#)) (Bo Segerman, EURL-Campylobacter)
- 11.30 Demonstration of gene-by-gene approach through different platforms:  
ARIES (EURL-VTEC)  
Seqsphere (Angela van Hoek, EURL-Salmonella)  
Starflow (Déborah Merda, EURL-*Listeria monocytogenes* and Marina Cavaiuolo, EURL-CPS)
- 12.15 **Hands-on exercises – Visualisation of clustering data**  
Demonstration via Grapetree (Déborah Merda, EURL-*Listeria monocytogenes*)
- 12:45 **Lunch break**
- 13.45 Update on the EFSA OneHealth WGS database (Mirko Rossi, EFSA)
- 14:15 Information on activities of inter EURLs Working Group on NGS and guidance documents released (Valeria Michelacci, EURL-VTEC)
- 14:45 Wrap up (Wilma Jacobs-Reitsma, EURL-*Salmonella*)
- 15.00 **Closure**

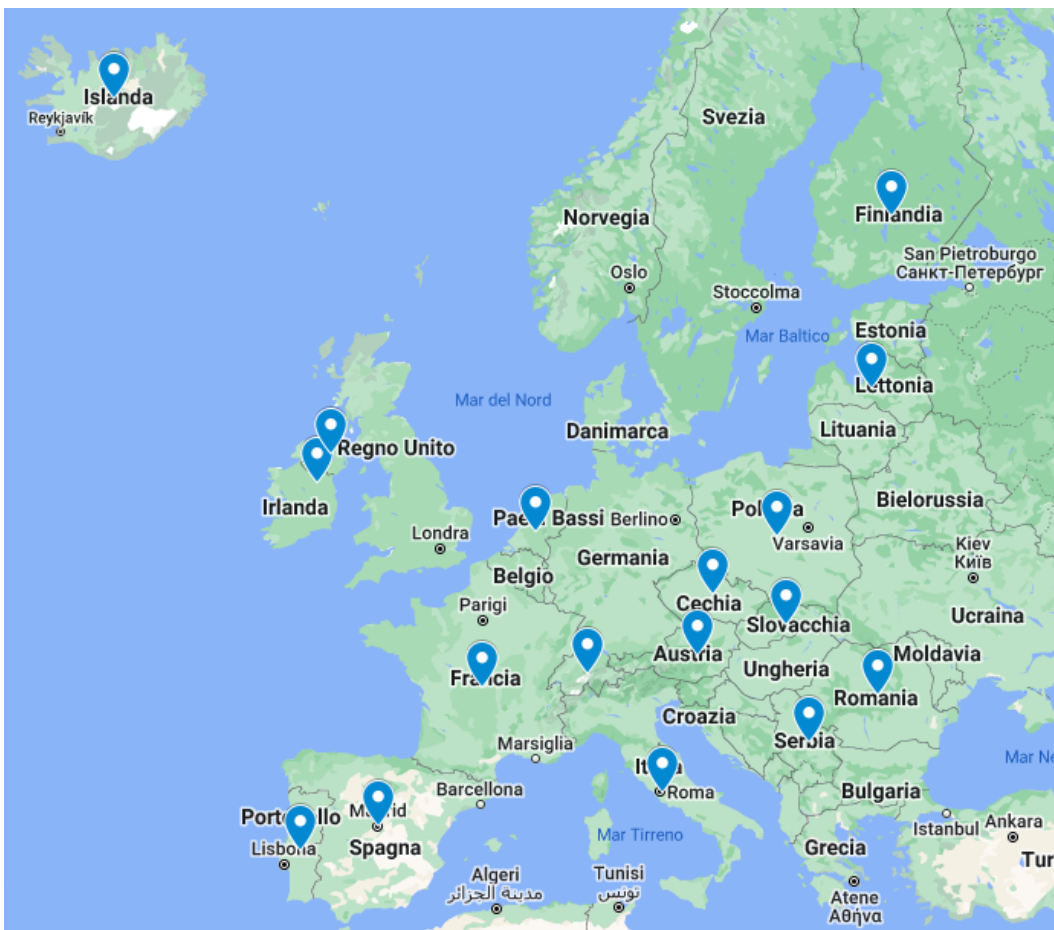




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# Participants – geographic distribution



**24 participants from different NRLs**  
4 at own costs  
2 supported by EURL VTEC

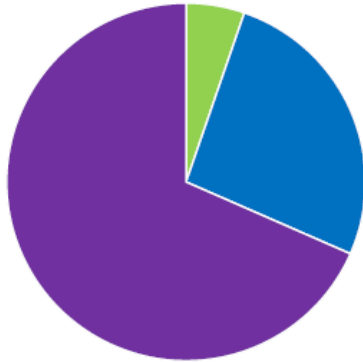
**17 different countries**  
(13 Member States + 2 EFTA/EEA + Northern Ireland + 1 Candidate Country)

**Many participants came from labs appointed as NRLs for multiple pathogens**

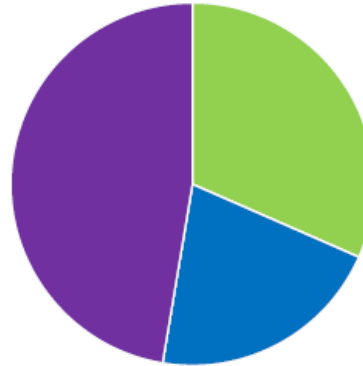
# 2023 - Training satisfaction survey

■ Poor ■ Fair ■ Good ■ Very good ■ Excellent

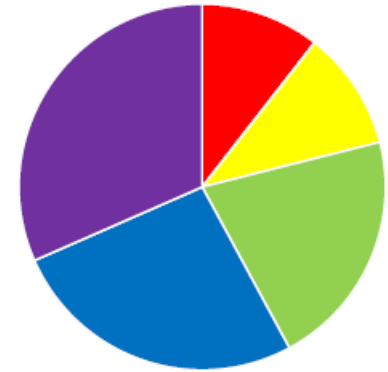
Relevance topics



Completeness presentations



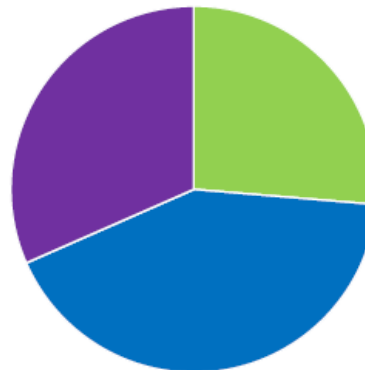
ratio theory - 'Hands-on exercises'



Possibilities and time for raising questions



Complying with expectations



Applicability

