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# Computational methods for NGS analysis of methylation

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One of the most exciting and innovative applications of NGS is the genome-wide analysis of DNA methylation. DNA methylation is a major form of epigenetic modification, affecting regulation of gene expression and RNA processing. At a higher level, methylation is linked with development and disease processes. In this seminar we will describe two different strategies for the analysis of DNA methylation using NGS techniques. The first one is based on bisulfite conversion followed by next-gen sequencing (e.g. Illumina). This method combines single basepair resolution with genome-wide coverage at low costs. The second method is based on the use of SMRT sequencing (PacBio), that provides a direct reading of the methylation status of each sequenced base. Both methods require ad-hoc computational tools and analysis techniques, that are still largely under development. We will present the basic principles of the two methods and some of the computational tools being developed in our group for the analysis of patterns of methylation from the resulting data.

#### I dottorandi e gli interessati sono caldamente invitati a partecipare

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