## **Bioinformatics**

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## 1 Purpose

Main purpose is to help doctors and help to understand the biology and computing with DNA and other biological molecules. Can use DNA as storage information. Today, through *Oxford Nanopore* and *Bento Lab* sequencing has got much cheaper and quicker. Idea of **Garage Genomics** where it often only takes an hour to get a portion of the DNA.

## 1.1 Definitions

- DNA made of four-letter alphabet: Adenine, Thymine, Cytosine and Guanine
- RNA is the same with Uracil instead of Thymine.
- Amino Acid: Made of three base pairs of DNA
- Genome: organism's genetic material for humans = 46 strings (chromosomes) with length 3 x 10e9
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