Association Mapping: GWAS and Sequencing Data

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Introduction: Course Goals

This is a course on statistical methods and software for genetic association studies of complex traits. We aim to cover:

- Genetic Association Testing with Case-Control & Quantitative Traits
- Population Structure/Ancestry Inference
- Genetic Association Testing in Samples with Structure
- Conditional analyses, Colocalization, Fine-mapping & Gene and Pathway Level Analysis
- Polygenic Risk Scores
- Association Testing for Rare Variant Analysis
- Interaction Analysis, GWAX, Time-to-event & Multi-trait Analysis
- Power and Sample Size, Design Considerations and Emerging Issues

Introduction: Resources

Importantly, the class site is:
https://joellembatchou.github.io/SISG2022_Association_Mapping/

Contains (or will contain):

- Link to PDF copies of slides
- Practical exercises for you to try
- Link to datasets used in exercises
- Our solutions to exercises (later!)
- Links to software packages

Introduction: About Loic

- Statistical Geneticist,
  the University of Queensland, Australia
- Research interest:
  - GWAS of anthropometric traits
  - GWAS transferability
  - Non-random mating in humans

Introduction: About Joelle

- Statistical Geneticist, Regeneron Genetics Center
- Research in:
  - Genetic Association Studies
  - Genetic Data with Structure
  - Mixed Models methods
  - Association methods for large-scale datasets

UW department's finest – here to help you!

Amarise Little

Anya Mikhaylova

Seth Temple

Slack Channel

Expect to 'see' them on Zoom chat, and our Slack channel:
https://uwbiostatisticssisg.slack.com/archives/C03KLGA4HE3

Contains (or will contain);

- Key annoucements
- Link to the class website
- PDF copies of slides
- Link to practical exercises

Cloud server

We will use a cloud server to do the practical exercises. For more info on getting set up on the server:
https://joellembatchou.github.io/SISG2022_Association_Mapping/using_server.html

Things to note:

- **Let us know if you cannot access the server**
- We will run exercises on the server
- Datasets used in practicals are at: `/data/SISG2022M15/data/`

Introduction: Course Structure

- Full schedule on class website (**Seattle time, PDT**)
- 10 sessions, 60-90 minutes each, over 2.5 days
- What to expect in a typical session;
  - 45 mins teaching/lecture
  - 30 mins hands-on exercises
  - 15 mins summary/discussion
- Delivered live via Zoom
  - Please mute mic during lecture
- Recordings will be made available on class website

Introduction: Practicals

- Delivered live via Zoom
- Try to have your camera on
- We will be using "breakout rooms"
  - Students split into smaller groups
  - To get help, post message on Slack with breakout room #