

Table 2 Applications of next-generation sequencing

| Category | Examples of applications |
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| Complete genome resequencing | Comprehensive polymorphism and mutation discovery in individual human genomes |
| Reduced representation sequencing | Large-scale polymorphism discovery |
| Targeted genomic resequencing | Targeted polymorphism and mutation discovery |
| Paired end sequencing | Discovery of inherited and acquired structural variation |
| Metagenomic sequencing | Discovery of infectious and commensal flora |
| Transcriptome sequencing | Quantification of gene expression and alternative splicing; transcript annotation; discovery of transcribed SNPs or somatic mutations |
| Small RNA sequencing | microRNA profiling |
| Sequencing of bisulfite-treated DNA | Determining patterns of cytosine methylation in genomic DNA |
| Chromatin immunoprecipitation–sequencing (ChIP-Seq) | Genome-wide mapping of protein-DNA interactions |
| Nuclease fragmentation and sequencing | Nucleosome positioning |
| Molecular barcoding | Multiplex sequencing of samples from multiple individuals |