

Microbiome and Metagenomics Foundations — Hands-on

Gain a clear, practical foundation in microbiome science and metagenomics before diving into specialized pipelines. This module orients you to host–microbe ecology, amplicon versus shotgun strategies, One Health and AMR motivations, and the data standards that support modern microbiome projects.

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Session 1

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Microbiome Ecology & One Health Context

Microbiome basics and host–microbe interactions

gut, skin, soil, marine | **community structure** | **drivers of dysbiosis**

Microbiomes in One Health and AMR frameworks

clinical and public health | **environmental reservoirs** | **AMR surveillance signals**

Omics landscape for microbiome projects

16S, ITS, 18S amplicons | **shotgun metagenomics**

metatranscriptomics and beyond

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Amplicon vs Shotgun: Data Types & Workflows

Sequencing platforms and read structures

Illumina short read **long read overview** **paired-end concepts**

Amplicon versus shotgun study trade-offs

taxonomic depth **functional resolution** **cost and complexity**

From samples to fastq and metadata

sample sheets **barcodes and indices** **MlxS style fields**

Session 3

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Pipelines, Standards & Reproducibility

Bioinformatics pipeline landscape

QIIME 2, mothur **Kraken2, MetaPhlAn** **MEGAHIT, metaSPAdes**

Data standards and FAIR thinking

FAIR principles **ENA and SRA submissions** **metadata templates**

Reproducible environments and workflow mindset

Conda and containers **Snakemake and Nextflow overview** **version control basics**

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Mini Capstone: Framing a Microbiome Study

Problem framing and hypothesis definition

theory plus guided exercise

Outline of sampling and contamination-aware plan

negative and positive controls **batch structure**
metadata capture

High-level analysis plan and deliverables

proposed pipeline steps **report and figure sketch**
FAIR oriented checklist