

Portfolio 4.1 – INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON GENOME-MINING

To ensure that the bioinformatics tools we are developing for the analysis of nonribosomal peptides are disseminated and used as effectively as possible, **we have designed and organized an international workshop** that is regularly proposed. This 3-day workshop is primarily aimed at early career researchers, PhD students and post-docs who come to deepen their theoretical and practical knowledge of nonribosomal peptides, and to carry out their own bioinformatics analysis using the most up to date tools dedicated to microbial secondary metabolites. Among the tools are antiSMASH, NaPDos, MIBIG (developed by colleagues from Netherland and Denmark) and NORINE platform developped in Lille (<https://norine.univ-lille.fr/NRP>) . This international collaboration gives us the opportunity to offer the entire scientific community a wokflow that combine computational tools to optimize the search for microbial metabolites of interest. The attendees appreciate that this workshop teaches both theoretical and practical skills to rapidly identify, annotate and analyze secondary metabolite biosynthetic gene clusters in microbial genomes.

We all together co-supervise the workshop. Thus, as expert, Valérie LECLERE has a lecture on nonribosomal synthesis, highlighting its peculiarities and Philippe JACQUES focuses on lipopeptides. They also help applicants for their analysis using NORINE during practical sessions. We rely on major publications, reviews and book chapters we published with this aim.

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The two first editions (« *Bioinformatics tools for PKS and NRPS discovery : from genomic data to the products* ») were organised in 2013 and 2016 in ULille while the 2 following (« *Genome-mining for Natural Products* ») took place in Lyngby (Denmark) in 2018 and 2022. For the latter, we welcomed 34 applicants coming from 12 countries, mainly from Europe but also from USA and Columbia.

This workshop represents a nice opportunity for early career researchers to benefit from the skills of experts in a convivial atmosphere.

Genome-Mining For Natural Products

4th INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS



DATE:
1-3 June
2022

AIM & SCOPE

This workshop will teach theoretical and practical skills to rapidly identify, annotate and analyze secondary metabolite biosynthetic gene clusters in bacterial and fungal genomes. The workshop will include theoretical introductions but will mostly focus on hands-on exercises with bioinformatics tools such as Norine, BiG-SCAPE, BiG-FAM, antiSMASH or the antiSMASH database. The participants are welcome to bring their own sequence data, which can then be analyzed during the workshop.

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HOW TO APPLY

Application process is now open.
Visit the website below and apply
www.iimena.org/workshop-2022
registration deadline:
15 of april 2022

ADDRESS

The workshop will take place at DTU Building 101, Anker Engelunds Vej 1, 2800 Kongens Lyngby, Denmark.
Workshop starts: 09:00 on June 1st
Workshop ends: 14:00 on June 3rd
The workshop will be held in English. Participants must bring their own laptop.

FEES

Participants from academic organization: 100 €
Participants from companies and Industries: 300 €