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FROM: 59 MDW/SGVU

SUBJECT: Professional Presentation Approval

1. Your paper, entitled **Genome Sequencing at the 59th Medical Wing Clinical Research Division** presented at/published to **News Letter Style Article to be submitted to Office of the Air Force Surgeon General (SG5M, Research/Innovations)** in accordance with MDWI 41-108, has been approved and assigned local file #**17071**.
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Linda Steel-Goodwin

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Genome Sequencing at the 59th Medical Wing Clinical Research Division

The 59th MDW Clinical Research Division (CRD) has successfully sequenced the entire human genome. Human genome sequencing was first completed in 2003 at a cost of approximately 3 Billion dollars. It took the combined effort of 20 laboratories across 7 countries working for 13 years to complete. Since then, remarkable advancements in both molecular techniques and computer technology have enabled smaller laboratories to bring this tool into the hands of more and more researchers.



Picture: Preparation of deoxyribose nucleic acid (DNA) for analysis.

Sequencing of the human genome at the CRD was possible due to the recent purchase of an Illumina NextSeq® 500 sequencing system. This system greatly expanded our sequencing capability from 2 gigabases (Gb) to 120 Gb. For reference, one gigabase is one billion base pairs of DNA. Previously, only a few human genes or small genomes such as bacterial genomes could be sequenced in a single run. With this new sequencer, the entire human genome which contains 3 billion base pairs of DNA can be sequenced on a single run with an average of 30x coverage. 30x coverage means that, on average, each base pair of DNA is sequenced 30 times which helps to ensure the accuracy of results when utilizing this technology.

For this specific study, A-431 cells, from a human epidermoid carcinoma, were acquired from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC CRL 1555). The CRD Cell Biology Department then grew the cells as a monolayer in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium with 10% fetal bovine serum. The cells were grown to confluence and the monolayer removed from the flask

via standard trypsinization. A cell count was performed and cells were frozen at -80°C at 1×10^6 cells/mL. DNA was extracted from the cells using Qiagen's AllPrep DNA/RNA isolation Kit and then fragmented to 550 bp in length.



Picture: Dr. Jody Noe analyzing the human genome.

Once the DNA was fragmented to the correct length, a sequence ready “library” was created using an Illumina NeoPrep™ automatic library preparation instrument. This device, automatically prepares up to 16 libraries of genomic DNA (gDNA) by adding adapter sequences and barcodes onto the ends of DNA fragments in preparation for subsequent cluster generation and sequencing. Once sequencing was complete, a pre-configured onsite bioinformatics platform was used to analyze the results of the genomic sequencing experiment without the need for internet access to cloud data storage.

The CRD laboratory can now provide sequencing flexibility across a broad range of applications and study sizes. Other potential sequencing applications include exome, transcriptome, gene expression comparisons, metagenomic and epigenetic studies. For many of these studies several specimens can be run simultaneously on a single run which maximizes resources. For example up to eight transcriptomes (all messenger RNA from the genome or parts of the genome that are active) or exomes (the exons of the genome which constitute the part of the genome that are typically expressed as proteins) can be run simultaneously.

The mission of the 59th CRD Laboratory Branch is to Provide Laboratory Support for the development, performance, and dissemination of human and animal research. This research support laboratory maintains the latest state of the art equipment in each of its 5 departments: Hematology, Chemistry, Microbiology, Cell Biology and Molecular Biology. Each department is run by a laboratory scientist dedicated to providing cutting edge laboratory support to Air Force Graduate Medical Education students conducting research. In many cases the research being conducted requires the support and cooperation of more than one department. For example, sequencing the human genome in this study required the tissue culture expertise of Ms. Dixon who runs the Cell Biology Department and the molecular expertise of Dr Jody Noe who runs the Molecular Department. This latest acquisition by the Molecular Department of the CRD opens up a host of research capabilities for the average Graduate Medical Education student at an affordable level, using local subject matter experts within the 59th CRD. If you are interested in utilizing the CRD Laboratory to support your GME research you should contact the Lab Branch Chief, Dr Thomas Gibbons at 210-292-7363.

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