Evaluation Summary Report

Working Group: Computational Landscape Genomics, Meeting One

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1. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

As a result of participating in this working group, I have a better understanding of:

2. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about this working group:
3. How do you feel about the format of the working group?

4. Do you feel the working group made adequate progress, for its first meeting, toward finding a common language across disciplines in the research area?
5. Do you feel the participating in the working group helped you understand the research happening in other disciplines in the group's topic area?

Please explain:

I did not know anything about genomics or landscape genomics. However, my research work in animal movement models and hierarchical model has relevance in this area (at least that is what I realized after attending the workgroup). I think it was bold of the organizers to invite someone who does not know the substantive aspect but is aware of important statistical techniques. It is likely to be a productive collaboration.

6. Did you develop unanticipated plans for collaborative research with other working group participants?

Please explain:

Possible collaboration with Tom Mitchell-Olds was unanticipated.
7. Do you feel that the exchange of ideas that took place during the working group will influence your future research?

![Bar chart showing 78% Yes, 22% No]

**Comments:**

There is more work to be done here

I learnt a lot about landscape genomics and statistical issues related to it. This was all new to me.

8. Do you feel the expectations for the next working group are clear (in the sense that you are leaving this meeting with a good idea of what your contribution will be at the next meeting)?

![Bar chart showing 44% Yes, 56% No]

**Comments:**

The details of specific goals will require a little more cogitation and follow-up discussion which we already have planned.
9. What do you feel was the most useful aspect of the working group?

Meeting new people

Plenty of time for idea exchange.

Small working group discussions were most useful to me given my lack of technical (genomics) knowledge. It was easier to get the explanations without interrupting the flow of the discussion.

break out groups

10. What, if anything, would you change about the working group?

Some people monopolized the discussions

There appears to be a divide in the research interests in the group, and there is one research interest that is dominating the discussion.

more time management

11. How satisfied were you with the following accommodations provided to you?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels for different accommodations provided by NIMBioS.]

12. Please provide any additional comments about your overall experience with the working group:

No comments