Genomics & Medicine

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Sophomore Seminar

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# Seminar Topics

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Seminar Topics
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• Inherited diseases, disorders and traits
  – Disease databases and websites
  – Case presentations

• Genomics and novel diagnostics
  – Sequencing human genome
  – Genomic databases and websites
  – Genome variations leading to diseases and traits
  – Genome wide association studies

• Personal genomics
  – Carrier Status
  – Predisposition to disease
  – Pharmacogenomics
  – Family, genealogies and ancestry

• Gene expression and disease
  – Cell signaling and transcriptional regulation
  – MicroRNAs and translational regulation
  – Protein modification and regulation
Seminar Topics (continued)

• **Bioinformatics and drug development**
  - Analyzing the function of genes and regulatory regions
  - Drug target identification and validation
  - Identifying new potential drug targets via bioinformatics methods
  - Drug development paradigm and effect of genomics
  - Personalized medicine and medications

• **Novel Therapies**
  - Gene therapy approaches
  - Stem cell therapies
    - Pluripotent human embryonic stem cells
    - Adult stem cell approaches
    - Induced pluripotent stem cells

• **Ethical issues**
  - Discrimination for employment and insurability
  - Privacy of genetic information
  - Genetic selection and eugenics
  - Interventions in procreation
Seminar Requirements

• Five homework assignments
  – Mendelian Disease in class case presentation
  – Bioinformatics analysis of gene function
  – Description of a genome wide association study
  – Describe the kinds of mutation known to cause a Mendelian Disease
  – Description of a stem cell therapeutic approach to a disease

• Final presentation on
  – An ethical, legal or social issue in genomics or medicine
  – The molecular basis of a disease
  – A novel diagnosis or treatment of a disease
  – A technological advance in genomics & disease

• Class participation
  – Asking questions
  – Providing answers, insights or opinions
Genetics Home Reference Handbook

Handbook
Help Me Understand Genetics

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Cognate Courses

Undergraduate Courses
• Biochem 158 Genomics, Bioinformatics and Medicine
• Bio 109A and 109B (HumBio 158A and B) The Human Genome and Disease
• HumBio 157 The Biology of Stem Cells
• HumBio 159 Genes and Environment in Disease Causation

Graduate Level Courses
• Genetics 210 Genomics and Personalized Medicine
• Genetics 211 Genomics
• CS 262 Computational Genomics
• CS 273A A Computational Tour of the Human Genome
• BMI 214/CS 274 Representations and Algorithms for Computational Molecular Biology
• BMI224 Principles of Pharmacogenomics
Medical Grand Rounds

http://lane.stanford.edu/biomed-resources/medgrandrounds.html

• Mike Snyder, Chairman of Genetics
  – Integrating Genomics into Medicine: Where we are and where we should be

• Atul Butte, Stanford Systems Medicine
  – Systems Medicine: Translating 300 billion points of data into Diagnostics

• Muin Khoury, Director Office of Public Health CDC
  – Genomic Medicine in the 21st Century From Science to Action
Biomedical and Life Sciences Collection Topics

- Cancer: apoptosis, epigenetics, monoclonal antibody therapy, evolution and medicine
- Diseases, Disorders and Treatments: Alzheimers, autoimmunity, autism and ASD, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, neurodegenerative diseases, obesity, prions, RNA interference, bioinformatics and genome analysis
- Drug Discovery: antivirals, biomarkers, cancer therapy, monoclonal, small molecules
- Genetics: Copy number variation, DNA methylation, epigenetics, eukaryotic gene regulation, human genetics, population genetics

Name and Password
Introductions
Questions?
Questions

• Which costs more, treating a disease or preventing a disease
• Why?
• How should patients be motivated to use preventive methods?
• How should doctors be incentivized to use preventive medicine?
• Should preventive care be covered by insurance?
• Should insurance companies cover preventable diseases if the patient did not use preventative methods?
• Should the government (Medicare and Medicaid) cover treatments for preventable diseases?
Leveraging Genomic Information

Novel Diagnostics
- Microchips & Microarrays - DNA
- Gene Expression - RNA
- Proteomics - Protein

Novel Therapeutics
- Drug Target Discovery
- Rational Drug Design
- Molecular Docking
- Gene Therapy
- Stem Cell Therapy

Understanding Metabolism

Understanding Disease
- Inherited Diseases - OMIM
- Infectious Diseases
- Pathogenic Bacteria
- Viruses

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Preventive Medicine

“Superior Doctors Prevent the Disease.
Mediocre Doctors Treat the Disease Before Evident.
Inferior Doctors Treat the Full Blown Disease.”

-Huang De: Nai - Ching (2600 B.C. 1st Chinese Medical Text)
When thinking about diseases, I never think about how to cure them, but instead I think about how to prevent them.
Preventive Medicine

• Prevent disease from occurring
• First one must identify the cause of the disease
• Treat the cause of the disease rather than the symptoms
  – Example 1: Peptic ulcers
  – Example 2: Pyrogens
• Genomics identifies genetic causes of inherited disease
• “All medicine may soon become pediatrics”
  – Paul Wise, Stanford Pediatrician.
• Overlooked acquired disease such as infectious disease, autoimmune disease, aging, accidents and environmental diseases
• Health care costs can be greatly reduced if
  – invests in preventive medicine
  – one targets the cause of disease rather than symptoms
  – controls environmental and behavioral effects
Health Care Policy

- Current health care treats disease rather than maintaining health (illness care?)
- Future health care prevent disease
- Reduce need for expensive interventions
- Need policies that incentivize patients and doctors to prevent disease.
- Need social pressures to control behavior and increase vigilance.
Personalized Medicine

- Medicine is personal:
  - We are all different.
  - Some of our genetic differences translate into how we react to drugs as individuals.
  - This is why personalized medicine is important to everyone.

- Why does someone need twice the standard dose to be effective?
- Why does this drug work for you but not me?
- Why do I have side-effects and you don’t?
- Why do some people get cancer and others don’t?
- Why is anecdotal information irrelevant to your own health and treatment?
Is Medicine a Science or an Art?

If it were not for the great variability among individuals, medicine might well be a science, not an art.

- Sir William Osler, Physician 1892
- Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Father of modern medicine
Questions

• What are the three macromolecular metabolic levels we need to understand development and disease? Why is each important?
• How can some mutations themselves cause a disease (usually a Mendelian single gene disease) and how can some mutations merely lead to a predisposition to a disease?
• Why can mutations in many different genes cause the same disease?
• Mutations in what kind of genes/pathways can lead to a predisposition to disease?
• Name a few areas of medicine that have been influenced by genomics.
• What is the primary knowledge one must have to prevent a disease?
• Why does treating symptoms often exacerbate a disease?
Huntington Disease

• **Autosomal Dominant**
  - On the tip of the short arm of chromosome 4
  - One bad gene causes disease (dominant)
  - Brain degeneration over 10-15 years until death

• **Neurodegenerative disease**
  - Loss of movement control
  - Loss of cognitive skills (dementia) and hallucinations
  - Depression, hostility, aggression and loss of inhibitions

• **Dyskinesias**
  - Chorea: uncontrollable tics and involuntary movements of extremities, hyperkinesias
  - Dystonia uncontrollable muscle contractions
  - Bradykinesia, slow uncertain movements
  - Dysphagia (difficulty in swallowing) and uncontrollable oral buccal dyskinesia
The Inheritance

- You are 18 years old.
- Your father abandoned you and your mother when you were only 2 years old.
- Your father died this year and left you an inheritance.
- He died from an autosomal dominant disease known as Huntington’s Disease.
- Since Huntington’s disease is autosomal dominant, you have a 50% chance of inheriting this invariably fatal neurodegenerative disease.
- But there is a genetic test for this disease that can tell you if you have the disease, and if you do, when you will experience the symptoms and when you will die from it.
- Would you take the genetic test or not?
- Why?
I. Diagnostics

• Genomics: Identifying all known human genes
• Functional Genomics: Functional analysis of genes
  – What tissues are they important
  – When in development are the genes used
  – How are they regulated
• Novel diagnostics
  – Linking genes to diseases and to traits
  – Predisposition to diseases
  – Expression of genes and disease
• Personal Genomics
  – Understanding link between genomics and environment
  – Increased vigilance and taking action to prevent disease
  – Improving health care
Impact of Genomics on Medicine
II. Therapeutics

- Novel Drug Development
  - Identifying novel drug targets
  - Predicting toxicity and adverse reactions
  - Improving clinical trials and testing

- Gene therapy
  - Replacing the gene rather than gene product

- Stem cells therapies
  - Replacing the entire cell type to cure a disease

- Pharmacogenomics
  - Personalized medicine
  - Adjusting drug, amounts and delivery to suit patients
  - Maximize efficacy and minimize side effects
  - Identify genetics of adverse reactions
  - Identify patients who respond optimally
III. Ethical, Legal and Social Issues

- Personal Privacy
- Insurability
- Employability
- Discrimination
- Eugenics
- Cosmetic genetics
- Patentability of genes, proteins and other natural products
Impact of Genomics on Medicine
IV. Strategic

• Genomics can discover disease associated genes
• Genomics can discover disease causing genes.
• Genomics provides understanding of disease
• Genomics and bioinformatics provides basis for novel drug development
• Genomics provides basis for novel genetic and stem cell therapies
• Genomics provides the basis for preventive medicine.