



National Bioinformatics Infrastructure Sweden, NBIS

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NBIS – SciLifeLab Bioinformatics Platform



Analysis of biological data

- Support
- Infrastructure
- Training



Distributed infrastructure with nodes at each of the 6 large university towns and totally ~90 staff

Enable world-class life science research and maximise scientific and societal impact of collected data by:

- Providing expert knowledge, innovative data integration, advanced training, efficient data publication for open science, and access to high-performance data analysis methods
- Coordinating bioinformatics support within Sweden and making bioinformatics easily accessible for life science researchers
- Responding swiftly to changes in support needs as new techniques are developed and utilised
- Forming the Swedish ELIXIR node and participating in relevant international projects

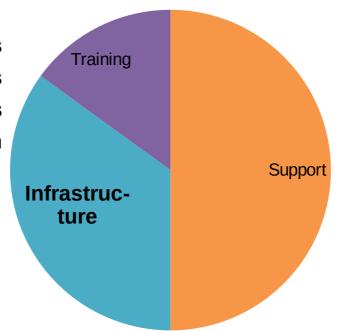


Technical experts are increasingly important in technology- and data-driven life science





20 national courses 5 international courses 625 students 30 PhD:s in mentor program



245 unique PI:s170 active support projects100 new projects70 publications120 booked consultations250 drop-in sessions



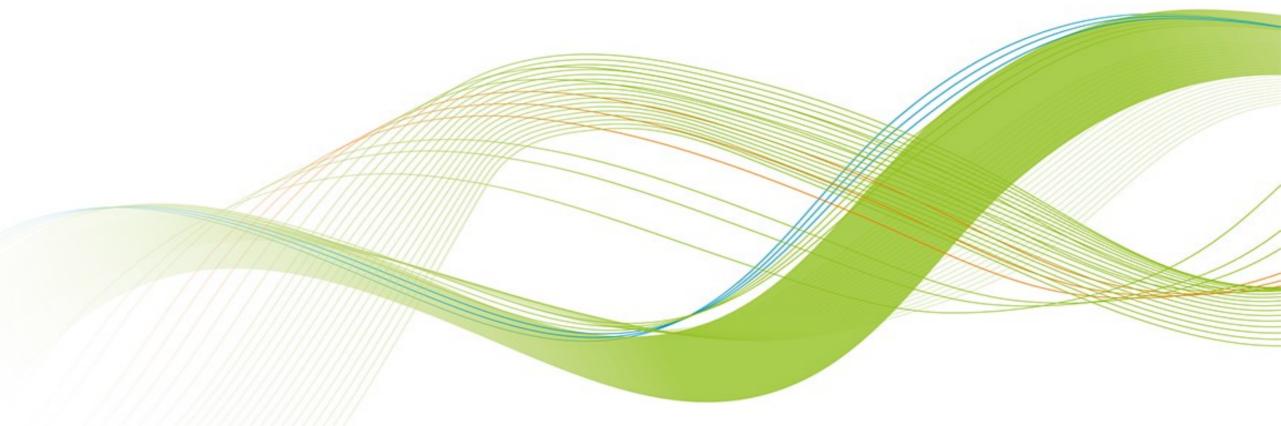
Development for sensitive data
Coordination of e.g. 1M Genomes Initiative
Guidance to FAIR data
Maintaining selected Swedish tools

Resources 2019





Overview of NBIS units





Four support tracks



Study design consultation

- provided for free (up to 3 hours)
- help our users to order the right type of data for their analysis
- consider bioinformatics and data management issues at an early stage
- extra drop-in sessions at VR grant application periods

Short- & Medium-term support

- academic user fee 800 SEK (~80 EUR) per hour
- short waiting times
- 50% support between universities, most suitable expert

Long-term support

- KAW funding, up to 500 hours for free
- scientific evaluation; application rounds 3 times per year

Partner Projects (PP)

- intended for projects with a large bioinformatics component
- NBIS support ≥12 person months over the project life-time, running 2–5 years calendar time
- user fee to cover staff costs





Training: A key strategic area



Training events and programs

- Courses, teacher-dense for good networking
- Mentor program, boosting PhD skills

Rapid knowledge-transfer

- Drop-in sessions (Currently online)
- Catalyse rapid knowledge-transfer across projects/research areas
- Portable tools and workflows to empower users





Infrastructure, Data management, Tools



Infrastructure development

- International repositories (e.g. Federated EGA)
- Hosting/interoperability of national resources of major interest (e.g. Human Protein Atlas, SweFreq, Metabolic Atlas)









Data management (close collaboration with Data Centre)

- Representing Sweden in international data initiatives
- Data Stewards to guide users in data management and FAIR data publishing





Tools

- Maintaining a few selected major Swedish software
- Continuous development of software, workflows and services















Compute & Storage



About 6 staff members

A **bridge** between NBIS and SNIC-funded UPPMAX

• SNIC — free to use national infrastructure for computing, funded by Swedish Research Council

UPPMAX — Uppsala high-performance computing centre

Provides a digital research environment serving 700+ Pls with over 1000 projects

Focus on HPC systems provided by UPPMAX









Questions? Comments?