



Courtesy of European XFEL

European XFEL completes construction of 5.8km of tunnels in Hamburg in June. EMBL researchers will make use of the facility



Young scientists from institutes in the Nordic EMBL Partnership for Molecular Medicine visit Heidelberg

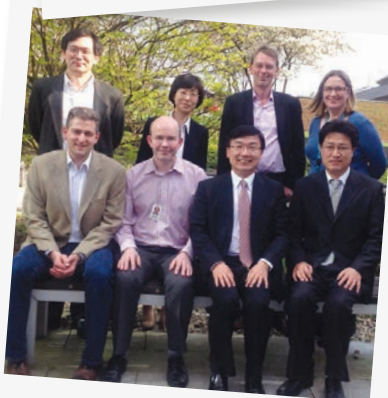


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Spring finally arrives at the Genome Campus in Hinxton



Astrobiologist Lewis Dartnell gives a Science and Society Forum lecture in June



A delegation from the Korean National Institute of Health visit EMBL-EBI (see page 11)



Members of EMBL Heidelberg's Swing Club hit the canteen for a dance 'flash mob'

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- ⇒ The Genome Campus Resources Day on 16 May, hosted by Gerard Kleywegt on behalf of the Hinxton Services Forum, was a rousing success. Experts from all the major data resources at EMBL-EBI and the Sanger Institute gave insightful talks on data visualisation and data integration, exhibited posters and chatted with users. Service developers and researchers mingled during a snack-fuelled poster session. Browse the programme at <http://bit.ly/12pJSeu>.
- ⇒ EMBL-EBI trainers Bert Overduin, Andrew Cowley and Tom Hancocks visited the Faroe Islands in June to deliver training on Ensembl and accessing EMBL-EBI data. A separate workshop saw the trainers working with Illumina to educate local clinicians on genomic technologies and bioinformatics as part of the FarGen project to sequence the genomes of the entire Faroese population.

- ⇒ Representatives from EMBL's International Relations department visited Tartu, Estonia, in May, to meet with leading experts from the country's science community. EMBL's Director of International Relations, Silke Schumacher, took part in discussion sessions with key scientists and policy makers from the government and academia. Focus areas included ways that EMBL and Estonia can explore avenues for closer collaboration, as well as the country's active involvement in initiatives such as ELIXIR.
- ⇒ Registration is now open for the following EMBL-EBI hands-on bioinformatics training courses: Metagenomics: Managing, Analysing and Visualising Data Course, 9–11 September (register by 1 July); Bacterial Genomics and Metabolism (Microme), 8–10 October (register by 9 August). www.ebi.ac.uk/training/handson



- ⇒ Following elections in May, Gerard JP van Westen and Camille Berthelot have taken over the EBI branch of the EMBL Postdoctoral Association. Gerard and Camille will continue efforts to promote the needs of the postdoc community, and facilitate scientific and social interactions across EMBL and the Sanger Institute. Among their tasks will be helping to organise the Postdoc Retreat, at Jesus College, Cambridge, 5–7 August: <http://postdocretreat2013.org.uk>.