

Genomics in medicine: Where are we at? Where are we going?

When: 12 noon – 1 pm, Wednesday 9 April, 2014.

Where: NAB Auditorium, Level 2 (enter from Burton Street), Garvan Institute of Medical Research, 384 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst NSW 2010.

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Speakers:



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A/Prof Marcel Dinger is the Head of Clinical Genomics and Genome Informatics at the Garvan Institute. Dr Dinger received his PhD from the University of Waikato in 2003. He undertook his postdoctoral studies with a New Zealand Foundation for Research Science and Technology Fellowship in Professor Mattick's group at the Institute for Molecular Bioscience at The University of Queensland to study the role of noncoding RNAs in development and disease. In 2009, he was awarded an NHMRC Career Development Award and a Queensland Government Smart Futures Fellowship. He was recruited to the Garvan Institute in 2012 to head the Centre for Clinical Genomics.



Ms Erica Ramos, Clinical Genomics Specialist and Certified Genetic Counselor at Illumina, Inc., San Diego, USA

Erica Ramos received her Master's degree in genetic counseling from the University of California, Irvine in 2001. After graduation, she worked as a prenatal and preconceptional genetic counselor for Genzyme Genetics in multiple Southern California clinics. In 2005, she moved to Las Vegas to help start Amigenics, a unique adult genetics specialty clinic. While at Amigenics, she helped to create an innovative breast cancer risk assessment program and was the first genetic counselor to focus on adult and cancer genetics in Las Vegas. In July 2012, Ms. Ramos joined Illumina as a Clinical Genomics Specialist, where she provides support and guidance to the Illumina Clinical Services Laboratory and its clients to advance the use of whole genome sequencing in clinical care. Ms. Ramos is also active in the National Society of Genetic Counselors and was recently elected to the 2014 NSGC Board of Directors as a Director at Large. Additionally, she has served on the Education Committee, Cancer SIG Quality Initiative Task Force and Genetic Counseling Advanced Degree Task Force (GCADTF).