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## DNA the Molecule of Life



## ‘Genetics’ to 'Genomics’ , <br> 10-100 DNA >>1000 DNA markers markers

## Application for fisheries management

-Define management units
-Quantify the extent of divergence and connectivity between stock units
-Allow mixed-stock analysis with substantially increased resolution relative to morphology based data

- Species identification in time and space (including prey species)


## Genomic analysis example: Atlantic salmon

- Genome: 2.97 billion bases
-ACTGCTGAAGGT............
$\bullet 46.598$ genes ( 37.206 coding for a specific protein)
- Links between genes and life histories




## Example from Atlantic salmon

## Size matters - sometimes



## Sex-dependent dominance at a single locus maintains variation in age at maturity in salmon

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Males and females share many traits that have a common genetic basis; however, selection on these traits often differs between the sexes, leading to sexual conflict ${ }^{1,2}$. Under such sexual antagonism theory predicts the evolution of genetic architectures that resolve this sexual conflict ${ }^{2-5}$. Yet, despite intense theoretical and empirical interest, the specific loci underlying sexually
known genetic architecture means that the evolutionary consequences of sexual conflict, particularly its importance in maintaining adaptive variation ${ }^{3,6,16}$, remains largely unknown ${ }^{14,16}$
The age at which an individual reproduces is a critical point in it life history. Age at maturity affects fitness traits including survival size at maturity and lifetime reproductive success ${ }^{17}$. Age at maturity


## Genetics and size in Atlantic salmon

- A single gene (VGLL3) explains 39\% of the variation in age nt mntumtinn (- rinn nt riunn moturn)
- Gei Implications for management -Ger and stocking programmes


## Barson et al.

 2015

## Types of population/stock structure - a theoretical example



Genetic differences arise due to random and evolutionary processes

## How are fish stocks managed?



## Greenland cod fishery



ICES Advice 2011


Wieland \& Paulsen 2004


## Sara Bonanomi




## Historical commercial catches of Atlantic cod (Gadus morhua) in Greenlandic waters



DNA from 100 archived otoliths for each year


# SCIENTIFIC REP:RTS 

OPEN Archived DNA reveals fisheries and climate induced collapse of a major fishery

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## Cod example 2

## Atlantic cod in the Baltic Sea



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Scientific cruises sample mixed stocks


Genetically determined stock afiliation as either 'Eastern' (blue) or 'Western' (red) Baltic cod


Hemmer-Hansen et al. unpublished

## Samples of juveniles ( $<20 \mathrm{~cm}$ ) reveal recruiment dynamics




Highly dynamic distribution in time and space, likely also in response to climatic and biological drivers

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Atlantic cod in the W Baltic Sea - genetic marker based split stock assessment


## The next 'perfect' example

Atlantic herring stocks and their mixing is now assessable with genetic markers throughout species' distibution


RESEARCH ARTICLE
Outlier Loci Detect Intraspecific Biodiversity amongst Spring and Autumn Spawning Herring across Local Scales
$\leadsto$ Greenland
Samples of herring in spawning condition, representative of the biological units contributing to fisheries


## State of the art: Taking advantage of genomics to do genetics

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Sequencing genomes ( $\sim 800 * 10^{6}$ bases) to obtain information about stock specific differences


From 9 mio. DNA sites to 48


Example of genetic data - one herring SNP marker out of 96

BioMark Fluidigm platform


## Gene frequency differences and how they are used to determine the origin of a fish - an example

| North Sea autumn |
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| spawning herring |

Gene 1
AA $=25 \%$ of fish
AC $=22 \%$
$C C=53 \%$
Gene 2
$T T=99 \%$ of fish
$T G=1 \%$
$G G=0 \%$

| Norwegian spring <br> spawning herring |
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| AA $=81 \%$ of fish |
| $\mathrm{AC}=18 \%$ |
| $\mathrm{CC}=1 \%$ |
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| $\mathrm{~T}=1 \%$ of fish |
| $\mathrm{TG}=1 \%$ |
| $\mathrm{GG}=98 \%$ |

## spawning herring

Gene 1
$A A=25 \%$ of fish
$A C=22 \%$
$C C=53 \%$
$T \mathrm{~T}=1 \%$ of fish
TG = 1\%
GG = 98\%


Probability of genotype (Gene 1 \& Gene 2) in:

North Sea $=0$

Norwegian $=0.8$

## Population splits addressable with new markers

| Area | ICES management <br> area/sub area | Stocks/populations <br> assumed to <br> contribute to mixed <br> aggregation <br> fisheries |
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## Lesser sandeeel genomic study



When can we trust genetic data on stock units?
Robustness of result depends on the depth of the analysis

ATGCCCTAAAGGGTACTGA CССT. CTITTAGAAATGCTC TCGA GCATATGCCCTAAA GGGTA TGACCCTGCTTGT AGAAATGCTCTCGATGCATA TGCCCTAAAGGGTACTGAC CCTGCTATTAGAAATGCTCT CGATGCATATGCCCTAAATG GGTACTGACCCTGCTAGTA GAAATGCTCTCGATGCATAT GCCCTAAAGGGTACTGACC CTGCTCTTAGAAATGCTCTC GATGCATATC



And the list of species and stocks with genetic data keeps getting longer: Atlantic mackerel, sprat, mesopelagics, ....

# Novel approaches to the application of molecular methods in ecosystem and fisheries assessment 



The sceptical optimist: challenges and perspectives for the application of environmental DNA in marine fisheries




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## Silage

- Fish was dissolved in $\sim 10 \mathrm{~L}$ of formic acid
- $250 \mu \mathrm{l}$ samples taken out and analyzed on qPCR.



Hansen et al. (unpublished data)

## Costings of SNP analyses for input to assessment

| Platform | Cost per <br> individual <br> (@ 2000 | Bench \& bio- <br> informatics time <br> 2000 fish |  |  |
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| \# markers typed | 50 100 200 100 SNPs <br> SNP SNP SNP  |  |  |  |
| SNP array based <br> (Fluidigm) | $14 €$ | $20 €$ | $34 €$ | 31 days |
| GT sequencing based* | $4 €$ | $5 €$ | $6 €$ | $\sim 17$ days |

(* Estimate from Aykanat et al., J Fish Biol., 2016)

- Genetic studies are expensive - Not really and prices añ constantly decreasing
- Genetic results are often 'oversold’ - We have several cases proving the opposite. Genetic analyses cannot answer all management relevant questions, but lack of basic biological information leads to risk of less efficient management strategies
- Inconsistent interpretation of genetic results - Structural, historical sampling issues
- Importance of genetic information is far outweighed by other inputs to management decisions - Substantially better resolution with genetic markers. Time series are emerging. Potential for front user-based analyses onsite.
- Obstacle is implementation into assessment and management


