2. Genes and proteins

- The sequence as a model of DNA
- Genes: from Mendel to molecular biology
- The genetic code
- A translation algorithm
- Implementing the genetic code
- Algorithms + data structures = programs
- The algorithm design trade-off
- DNA sequencing
- **Whole genome sequencing**
- How to find genes?

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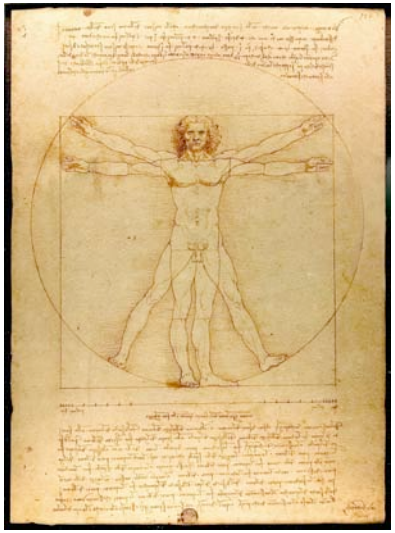
- *B. subtilis* project
  - 1989 – 1998
  - 35 laboratories
  - today some 100$, within a day
- Human genome project
  - 1990 – 2003
  - 2.7 billions 1991 dollars
  - tomorrow < 1000$?



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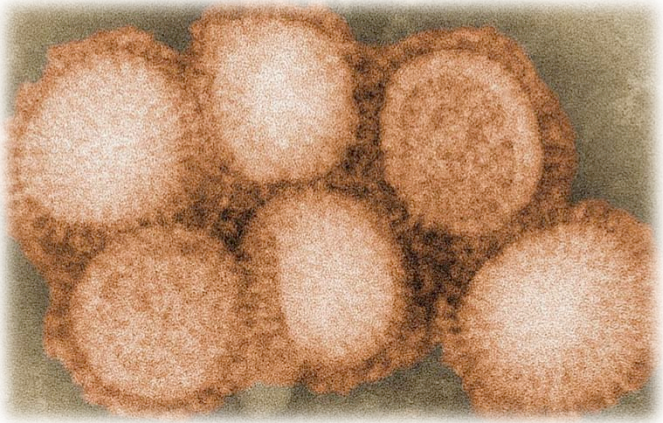

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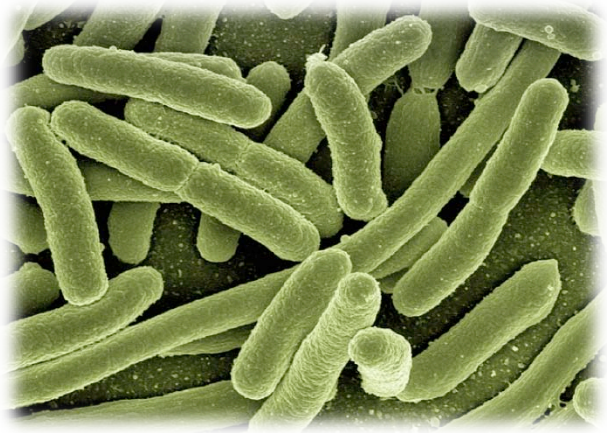

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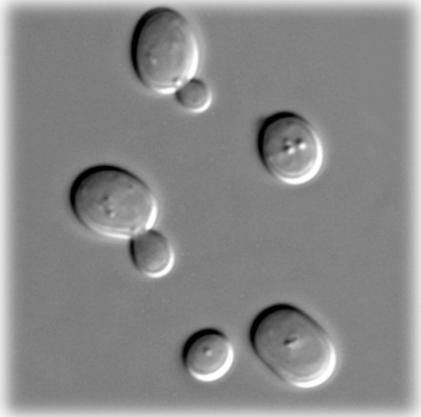

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The sequence is only the starting point

- Sequence annotation, i.e. prediction of
  - Gene location
  - Gene / protein functions
  - Gene interactions
- Sequence comparison, between:
  - Species
  - Strains
  - Individuals

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