



# Practical Biobanking

## 30 June – 1 July 2008

The Nowgen Centre  
29 Grafton Street  
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This two day intensive course is designed for both Biobank sponsors and researchers looking to establish and maintain a successful biological sample resource. The emphasis of the course will be on the practical aspects of establishing and running a Biobank.

On the first day we will cover:-

- Biobanking DNA and tissue
- Data accrual and sharing
- Laboratory Information Management Systems
- Design and optimisation of operating systems
- Quality and standards
- A roundtable discussion on the everyday running of a Biobank including choice of hardware & consumables, sample replenishment and running a Biobank efficiently
- Delegate dinner including after-dinner keynote speech by Professor John Harris, Lord David Alliance Professor of Bioethics, School of Law, University of Manchester, followed by discussion: *Why ethics matter in biomedical science*

On the second day we will cover:-

- Sample and process research for better Biobanking
- Access policies
- Developing national and international biobanking networks
- A trip to UK Biobank
- Sample and data accrual, shipping, storage and retrieval of samples at UK Biobank

The course has been accredited by the Royal College of Pathologists.

Cost: £375 for 2 days. Lunch and refreshments included. Course fee does not include overnight accommodation. A list of nearby hotels, together with a course information pack, will be sent to participants upon receipt of booking. Course enquires to either Dr Mark Leech (Nowgen), email [mark.leech@cmmc.nhs.uk](mailto:mark.leech@cmmc.nhs.uk), or David Carthy (CIGMR), email [david.carthy@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:david.carthy@manchester.ac.uk)

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