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**Report on the visit of Dr Anna Wójcicka to the University of Ferrara,
within the 7PR21/BASTION/WP1 (Twinning)**

I visited the group of Prof. Stefano Volinia from University of Ferrara, Italy, between 24.06 and 08.07.2015. Prof. Stefano Volinia is an expert in computational biology. Lately he has been responsible for developing in-house protocols for DNA microarrays and next-generation sequencing analysis. Both labs are interested in developing novel pipelines for the identification and analysis of non-coding RNAs from next-generation sequencing data.



Dr. Anna Wójcicka at the University of Ferrara

My stay was related to our collaboration on large scale data analysis and its many uses for studies of human cancers. In addition, it was a follow-up of the twinning visit performed by Dr. Monika Kolanowska. During my stay, we also discussed the possibilities of applying for joint EU grants offered within Horizon 2020. The grant applications are currently being drafted and we expect to apply for collaborative projects on the use of non-coding RNAs in diagnostics and therapies of human cancers.