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Lightning Talk
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1. What are the training needs and what are you doing to address these needs?

- As a national bioinformatics core facility we need to enable life scientists around the country to analyze high-throughput data (NGS and microarrays)

  ➤ We organize short hands-on training courses
  ➤ We have developed a biologist-friendly, open source software Chipster which provides an intuitive GUI to 280 analysis tools (http://chipster.csc.fi)
2. What can you offer at a Pan-European level that is sustainable?

- Long experience in providing bioinformatics training for life scientists, in Finland and abroad
- Open source software that allows the trainer to concentrate on teaching the actual analysis methods rather than unix commands
- Training facility and experience in hosting training events
3. What is your vision for a Pan-European, overarching training strategy?

- Active collaboration network for trainers: exchange of ideas, experiences and training materials
- Efficient way of distributing information about upcoming training events in Europe
- Trainer exchange
- Projects to develop e-learning material