

# Introduction to Bioinformatics for Computer Scientists

Lecture **0**

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# Why is this a special course ?

- Taught concurrently at CS departments of Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) and University of Crete (UoC)
  - My research group is located at the Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies (HITS)
  - I am also a full professor of Computer Science at KIT, but ...
  - currently building up a second research group at FORTH through a so-called EU ERA chair grant
  - I live and work in Crete 90% of the time
  - You can communicate with me in Greek, German, and English
- Lab web sites
  - [www.exelixis-lab.org](http://www.exelixis-lab.org) (Germany)
  - [www.biocomp.gr](http://www.biocomp.gr) (Greece)
- I have been teaching this course at KIT since winter 2012/13

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- Why 3 hour lectures?
  - To fit contents into overlapping part of winter term
  - Winter term UoC: mid September – December
  - Winter term KIT: mid October – mid February
  - This will also be tiresome for me ... not only for you
- This lecture is just to say hello :-)
- If you think Monday at 09:45 is tough, think about the poor KIT students where the lecture starts at 08:45
- We will officially start lectures on **October 23** when the semester begins at KIT
- On some days I will be teaching live (in the classroom) at KIT and stream it to UoC
- On some days it will be the other way around
- I am very excited about this new teaching experiment
- Some things might not work properly from the start as this is a new course format for everyone

# SUPER IMPORTANT

- Please send me an email **now** such that
  - I can set up a course mailing list to communicate with all KIT and UoC students
  - Please do so, even if you are not sure that you will attend this class
- Emails
  - [Alexandros.Stamatakis@kit.edu](mailto:Alexandros.Stamatakis@kit.edu)
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- I usually reply within a day

# First official lecture & course material

- 1<sup>st</sup> official lecture on October 23 will be streamed from KIT
  - I will send you a reminder including the ZOOM link
- 2<sup>nd</sup> lecture on October 30 will be live at UoC
- Slides and videos winter 22/23  
<https://cme.h-its.org/exelixis/web/teaching/slides.html>

# Questions?