## **Genetics and Genomics (G2) Seminar Series**



The Interdisciplinary Faculty of Genetics Genetics Graduate Student Association



### A 3D Code in the Human Genome

#### Dr. Erez Lieberman Aiden

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Dr. Lieberman Aiden directs the Center for Genome Architecture where his team explores all aspects of genome structure - from the 1D sequence of the bases to the 3D folding that enables them to fit inside the nucleus of a cell. He was part of a team of scientists from the University of Massachusetts Medical School and MIT that first suggested human DNA folds into a fractal globule rather than an equilibrium globule. This finding explains how each cell's genome is able to be heavily compacted without forming a knot. Dr. Lieberman Aiden and coworkers invented a variant of chromosome conformation capture called "Hi-C" which produces a genome-wide measure of contact probabilities that point to a 3-dimensional genome structure. This technique combines existing chromosome capture methodology with next-generation sequencing, enabling an all-versus-all measure of chromatin contacts. Dr. Lieberman Aiden has won multiple awards and is listed as one of 35 top innovators under 35 by Technology Review.



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## Monday, March 19, 2018

4:00 p.m.

Auditorium/Room 108
BioBio Building

Refreshments at 3:30 p.m. in the lobby.

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