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A distinguished molecular geneticist who has been instrumental in the set-up, application and implementation of genomics approaches in medical genetics. He developed and experimentally validated the hypothesis that a major part of intellectual disability should be due to de novo gene mutations, given the severity, early onset and genetic heterogeneity of such form of disability, this has led to a novel method of analyzing DNA "next generation sequencing".