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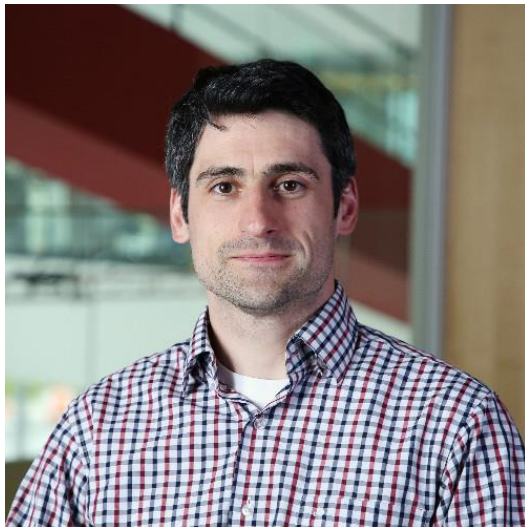
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Biography Prof. Dr. Octavian BUCUR



Octavian BUCUR is a Romanian-American scientist and the General Director of the Genomics Research and Development Institute (GRDI) in Bucharest, Romania. Internationally recognised for his pioneering contributions in cancer research and diagnostic pathology, Dr. Bucur has been playing a key role in advancing genomic research and genomic infrastructure in Romania and in Eastern Europe at large. He also serves as an Associate Investigator at the Viron Molecular Medicine Institute in Boston, USA, and is a Romanian Representative to the [European '1+ Million Genomes' \(1 +MG\) initiative](#), a flagship

EU-funded programme aimed at enabling secure access to genomics and the corresponding clinical data across Europe to support groundbreaking research and health policy making and incentivise personalised healthcare treatments with the potential to improve disease prevention. This is one of the world's biggest projects on genomics and contributes chiefly to setting global standards in this domain.