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**Jonathan Sheldon, PhD Is Elected to the Board of Directors  
of the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine**

**BETHESDA, MD – June 17, 2019** | Jonathan Sheldon, PhD, senior vice president of the Bioinformatics Business Area at QIAGEN, has been elected to the board of directors of the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine. The ACMG Foundation is a national nonprofit foundation dedicated to facilitating the integration of genetics and genomics into medical practice. The board members are active participants, serving as advocates for the Foundation and for advancing its policies and programs. Dr. Sheldon was elected to a six-year term starting immediately.

Dr. Sheldon joined QIAGEN in 2018 as a senior vice president in the Bioinformatics Business Area. He also serves as a member of QIAGEN's Executive Committee. Dr. Sheldon leads QIAGEN's growing presence in bioinformatics, enabling customers to transform raw data from biological samples into valuable molecular insights. Prior to joining QIAGEN, Dr. Sheldon was Global Vice President in the Health Sciences Global Business Unit at Oracle. Previously, he served as Head of Bioinformatics at Roche (UK) Pharmaceuticals and held CXO positions in software businesses that serve the life science and healthcare sectors.

Dr. Sheldon also serves on the board of directors of the Drug Information Association (DIA) and previously served on the board of the Transmart Foundation. He received his BSc in biochemistry and molecular biology from the University of Manchester and his PhD in biochemistry and molecular biology from the University of Cambridge.

"It is an honor to be elected to this prestigious board at this critical time wherein biological and translational research has enabled us to be truly close to the bedside. The ACMG organization has been at the forefront of driving efforts towards responsible, consistent and reproducible reporting of variant information. By establishing clear guidance based on their collective expertise, they aim to provide actionable and meaningful information to physicians and patients, providing clarity that is so much needed," said Dr. Sheldon.

"Dr. Sheldon brings to the ACMG Foundation board a unique depth of knowledge and experience in the area of bioinformatics. Bioinformatic approaches are of key importance in the interpretation of genomic information in health and disease; his expertise will be invaluable in guiding ACMG Foundation fundraising efforts in this area, and in genetic and genomic medicine in general," said ACMG Foundation President Bruce R. Korf, MD, PhD, FACMG.

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A complete roster of the ACMG Foundation board can be found at [www.acmgfoundation.org](http://www.acmgfoundation.org).

### **About the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine**

The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine (ACMGF), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is a community of supporters and contributors who understand the importance of medical genetics and genomics in healthcare. Established in 1992, the ACMGF supports the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) mission to “translate genes into health.” Through its work, the ACMGF fosters charitable giving, promotes training opportunities to attract future medical and laboratory geneticists and genetic counselors to the field, shares information about medical genetics, and sponsors important research and education. To learn more and to support the ACMGF mission to achieve “Better Health through Genetics,” visit [www.acmgfoundation.org](http://www.acmgfoundation.org) or email [acmgf@acmgfoundation.org](mailto:acmgf@acmgfoundation.org).

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