

2nd Minister of Trade and Industry and Manpower's visit to GIS



9 March 2021 – A*STAR's Genome Institute of Singapore (GIS) and Bioinformatics Institute (BII) hosted Second Minister for Trade and Industry and Manpower Dr Tan See Leng for a visit on 9 March. We briefed him on GIS' and BII's expertise in genomics and big data analytics that enhance precision medicine for more personalised, accurate and targeted diagnoses and treatments.

On the GIS lab tour, Dr Tan was also introduced to the various analytical and diagnostic tools and technologies, some of which have been co-developed with industry partners.

He saw how BII's capabilities helped to provide real-time data sharing of the COVID-19 virus genomes to the Global Initiative on Sharing All Influenza Data, which provides open access to genomic data of influenza viruses and the coronavirus causing COVID-19, enabling rapid response to the pandemic.