Examples of teaching approaches used in the Train-the-Trainer course on Capacity Building for Genomic Surveillance of AMR in low- and middle income countries

Strategy	Description	Implementation examples
challenge and problem-based tasks	problem solving and decision making exercises	<ul> <li>Use card-based blueprint to order processes and procedures in a typical WGS for AMR surveillance pipeline;</li> <li>Use of fictive case scenarios involving training others in genomics aspects.</li> </ul>
case studies	use of real cases, as published in the literature	<ul> <li>Identify MDR Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serotype Kentucky lineage expansion (Hawkey, Le Hello et al. 2019)</li> <li>Investigation of a Brazilian epidemic of Mycobacterium abscessus species complex (Everall, Nogueira et al. 2017)</li> <li>Klebsiella pneumoniae outbreak investigation (Wilson, Khokhar et al. 2018)</li> </ul>
historical and chronological presentation of processes	demonstration of lab procedures, visual tours, lab visits, exhibition tour.	<ul> <li>Visit to the sequencing facilities at the Sanger Institute.</li> <li>Demonstration of Library Preparation for WGS.</li> <li>Demonstration of best practices for Antimicrobial Susceptibility testing</li> </ul>
comparative analysis of tools and platforms	presenting alternative ways of achieving the same/similar result	<ul> <li>Comparison of data merging and consolidation techniques: interactively with spreadsheets versus programmatically with R and Python.</li> <li>Comparison of different databases and software tools used to determine the AMR phenotype based on genomic data.</li> </ul>
project planning and management techniques	considering standards and quality control, constraints and limitations, time management; project planning and constraints [financial, scaling and other]	<ul> <li>Exercise on how to set up a WGS laboratory</li> <li>QC assessment of libraries and sequencing</li> </ul>
provision of resources	provision of links to resources and portals, quality control standards, virtual and cloud tools, toolkits	<ul> <li>Software tools:</li> <li>AMR prediction tools: ARIBA (Hunt, Mather et al. 2017), Pathogen.watch, AMRFinder (Feldgarden, Brover et al. 2019)</li> <li>AMR databases: CARD (Alcock, Raphenya et al. 2020), ResFinder (Bortolaia, Kaas et al. 2020)</li> <li>Nucleotide archives: Genbank (Sayers, Cavanaugh et al. 2020), European Nucleotide Archive (Leinonen, Akhtar et al. 2011)</li> </ul>
analysis and evaluation	Participants' specific contexts consideration and evaluation	Big picture exercise where participants evaluate their own circumstances.