

Microbiome Premature

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Introduction

Microbiome

- Microbiota: the microorganisms which live inside & on humans (Turnbaugh et al., 2007)
- Microbiome: 10^{13} to 10^{14} microorganisms whose collective genome (Gill et al., 2006)

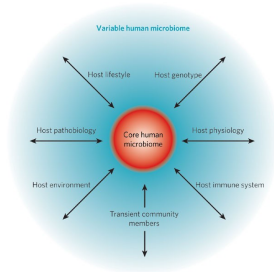


Figure: Concept of a core human microbiome (Turnbaugh et al., 2007)

- Ribosomal RNA
- Well-known as a key to phylogeny (Olsen & Woese, 1993)

Premature (Preterm Birth)

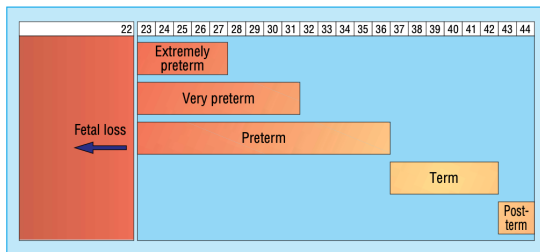


Figure: Definitions of Premature (Tucker & McGuire, 2004)

∴ Hence, in this study,

- Premature: < 37 weeks
- Normal: ≥ 37 weeks

Materials

16S rRNA Sequencing

16S rRNA sequencing is the *reference method* for bacterial taxonomy & identification (Mignard & Flandrois, 2006)

Reasons (Janda & Abbott, 2007):

- 16S rRNA exists in almost all bacteria
- Functions of the 16S rRNA has not changed over time
- 16S rRNA is large enough for bioinformatics

Train/Test Data vs. Validate Data

- Train/Test data
 - Helixco: Data collected by Helixco
- Validate data
 - EBI (European Bioinformatics Institute): Data collected by Dominguez-Bello et al., 2016
 - HMP (Human Microbiome Project): Data collected by Fettweis et al., 2019

Table: Metadata of Data

Data	Participants	Samples	Remarks
Helixco	24	107	-
EBI	18	1016	Only Normal
HMP	1572	9205	Only Premature

Literature Survey I (Dominguez-Bello et al., 2016)

BRIEF COMMUNICATIONS

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Partial restoration of the microbiota of cesarean-born infants via vaginal microbial transfer

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estimated 15% of births that require C-section delivery to protect the health of the mother or baby¹¹.

Here we **exposed C-section-delivered infants to their maternal vaginal fluids** at birth and longitudinally **determined the composition of their microbiota** to assess whether it **developed more similarly to vaginally born babies** than to unexposed C-section-delivered infants. We collected samples from 18 infants and their mothers, including 7 born vaginally and 11 delivered by scheduled C-section, of which four were exposed to the maternal vaginal fluids at birth (**Supplementary Table 1**). Briefly, the **microbial restoration procedure**, or vaginal microbial transfer, consists of incubating sterile gauze in the vagina of moth-

- Study Objectives
 - ① Compare Vaginally vs. Cesarean-section (C-section)
 - ② Restore the microbiota of C-section
- Microbial restoration procedure
 - ① Measure maternal vaginal pH
 - ② Put sterile gauze with saline solution in vagina for 1 hour
 - ③ Swab the infant with the gauze
- Sample collection procedure
 - ① Sample at right after birth, day 3 and weekly for the first month
 - ② Sample from oral, forehead, arm, foot and anal
- Notable Methods/Results
 - ① Using distance methods: e.g. UniFrac distance, Hamming distance

Literature Survey II (Fettweis et al., 2019)

ARTICLES

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The vaginal microbiome and preterm birth

Jennifer M. Fettweis^{1,2,3}, Myrna G. Serrano^{1,3}, J. Paul Brooks^{3,4}, David J. Edwards^{3,5},
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- Study Objectives
 - ① Predicting & Preventing premature
 - ② Report community resources
 - ③ Provide an analysis of the longitudinal, comprehensive, multi-omic profiling of vaginal samples
- Sample collection Procedure
 - ① Premature birth vs. Matched normal birth
 - ② Ethnically diverse cohort
- Notable Methods/Results
 - ① Imitate figures

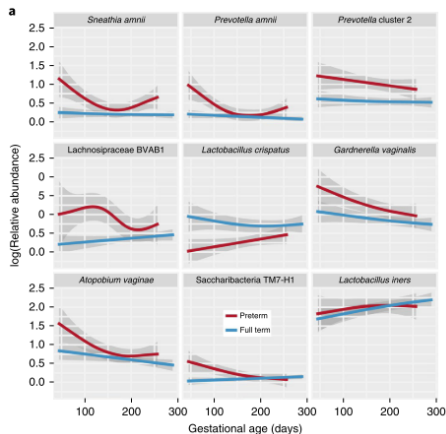


Figure: Microbiome Composition during Pregnancy

Methods

Qiime 2 Workflow

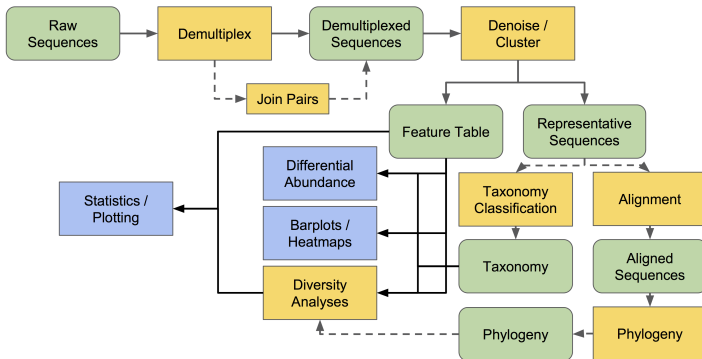


Figure: QIIME 2 workflow (Bolyen et al., 2019; Mandal et al., 2015; McDonald et al., 2012)

Filtering with Quality Score I

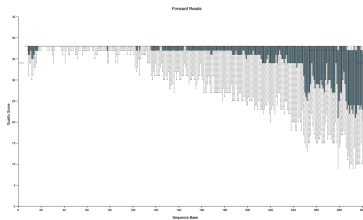
Drawback between:

- Longer sequence read
- Higher quality value

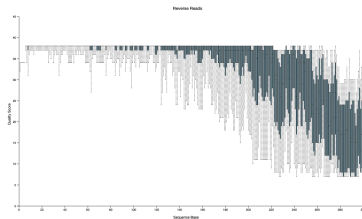
∴ I select the length n where:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall n_i \in \{n_k | \text{MedianQualityScore} \geq 30\} \\ \exists! n \in \{n_i\} : n \geq n_i \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Filtering with Quality Score II



(a) Forward



(b) Reverse

Figure: Sequence Quality Plot from Helixco Data

Maximum Length: 265

Filtering with Quality Score III

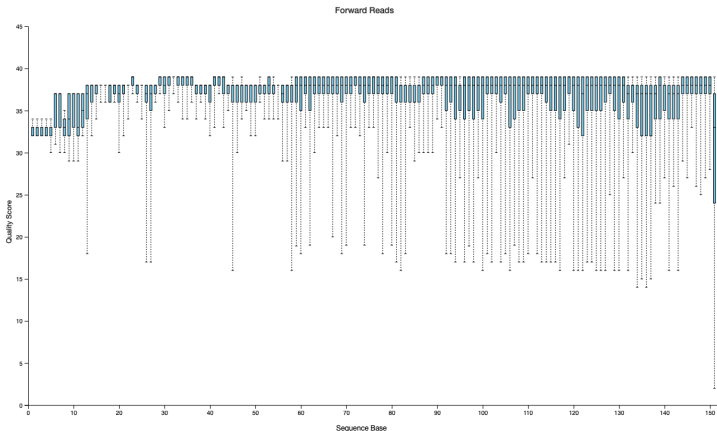
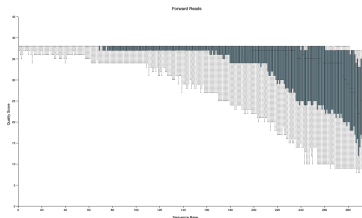


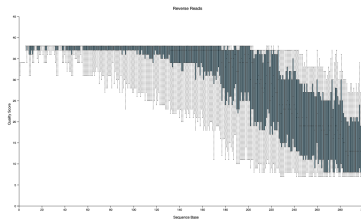
Figure: Sequence Quality Plot from EBI

Maximum Length: 150

Filtering with Quality Score IV



(a) Forward



(b) Reverse

Figure: Sequence Quality Plot from HMP Data

Maximum Length: 226

Denoising Techniques

- DADA2: Amplicon Sequence Variants (ASVs) (Callahan et al., 2016)
- Deblur: Operational Taxonomic Units (OTUs) (Amir et al., 2017)

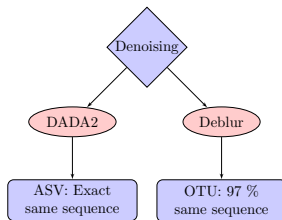


Figure: Denoising Algorithms

Taxonomy Classification

- Greengenes (GG): Kingdom \leftrightarrow Species (DeSantis et al., 2006)
- SILVA: Domain \leftrightarrow Genus (Pruesse et al., 2007; Quast et al., 2012)

“A **higher** performance at taxonomic levels above *genus level*;
but performance appears to **drop** at *species level*” (Gihawi et al., 2019)

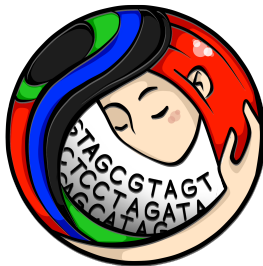


Figure: Mothur

Note: Still in progress

t-distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE)



Figure: t-SNE with handwritten data (Maaten & Hinton, 2008)

- Pandas (McKinney et al., 2011)
- Scikit-Learn (Pedregosa et al., 2011)
- SciPy (Virtanen et al., 2020)
- Matplotlib (Hunter, 2007)
- Seaborn (Waskom et al., 2020)

Results

t-SNE for Brief Information I

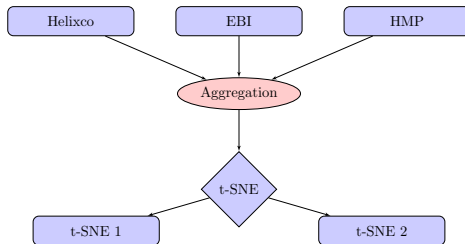
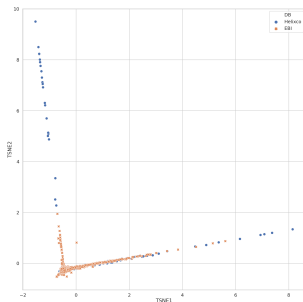
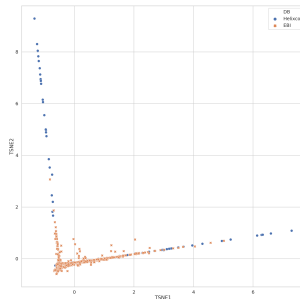


Figure: Workflow of t-SNE for Brief Information

t-SNE for Brief Information II



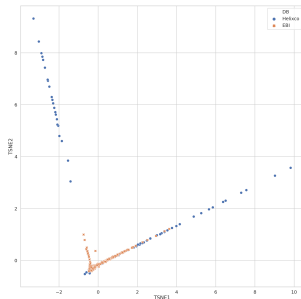
(a) DADA2 + GG



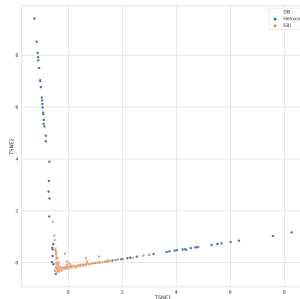
(b) DADA2 + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE for Brief Information

t-SNE for Brief Information III



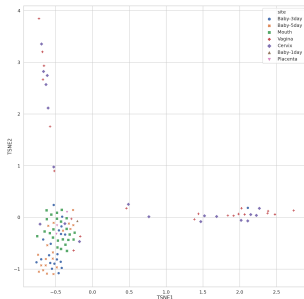
(c) Deblur + GG



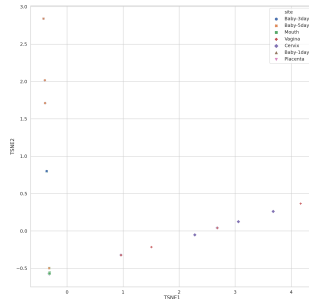
(d) Deblur + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE for Brief Information

t-SNE with Site I



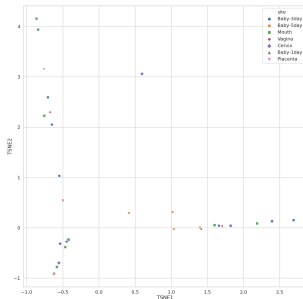
(a) DADA2 + GG



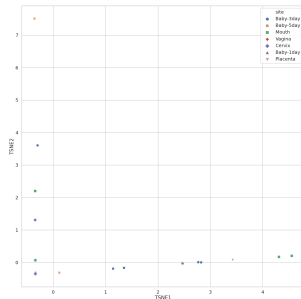
(b) DADA2 + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE with Site

t-SNE with Site II



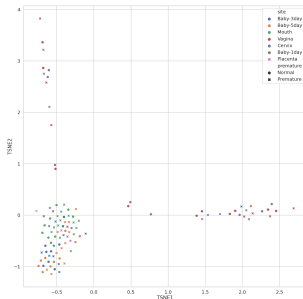
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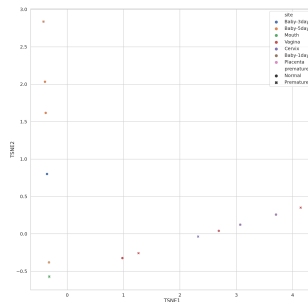
(d) Deblur + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE with Site

t-SNE with Site + Premature



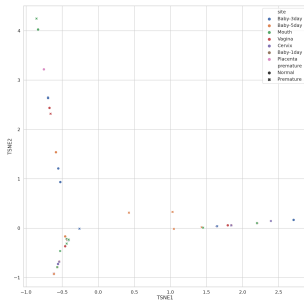
(a) DADA2 + GG



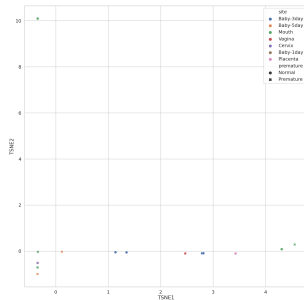
(b) DADA2 + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE with Site + Premature

t-SNE with Site + Premature II



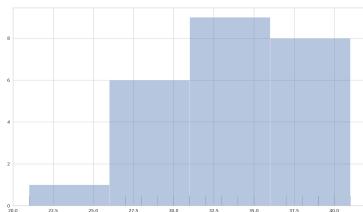
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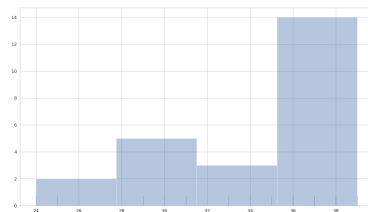
(d) Deblur + SILVA

Figure: t-SNE with Site + Premature

Histogram with Clinical Information



(a) Age



(b) Weeks

Figure: Histogram with Clinical Information

Random Forest Classifier I

Input Data was treated with **Deblur** and **SILVA**.

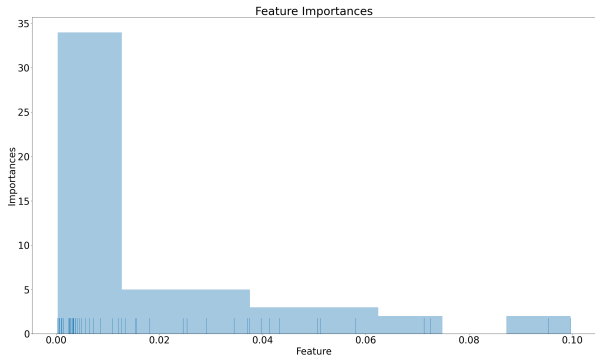


Figure: Feature Importance derived by Random Forest Classifier

Random Forest Classifier II

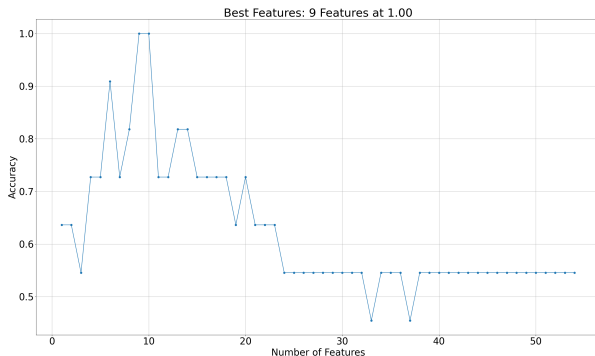


Figure: Number of Features vs. Accuracy

Random Forest Classifier III

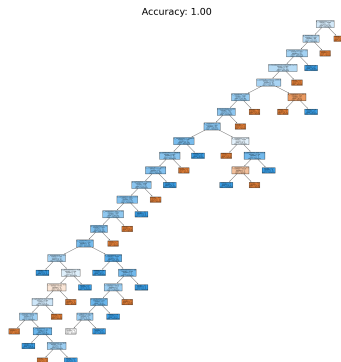


Figure: Random Forest Classifier

Random Forest Classifier IV

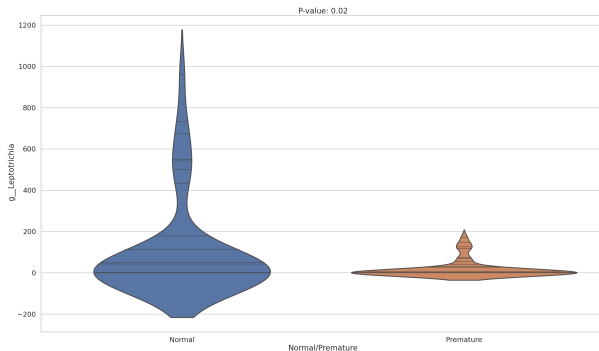


Figure: Violin Plot of *Leptotrichia*

Fusobacteriota Fusobacteriia Fusobacteriales Leptotrichiaceae Leptotrichia

Proceedings

- t-SNE with databases
- Random Forest Classifier

Requirements I

- More data
- Metadata for databases
- Mothur pipeline

- Classifier result (Statistical values)

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