

RNA2DNAAlign manual 1.0.11

<https://github.com/HorvathLab/NGS/tree/master/RNA2DNAAlign>

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GETTING STARTED

RNA2DNAAlign evaluates evidence for asymmetric allele distribution in next-gen sequencing reads of DNA and RNA samples from the same individual. RNA2DNAAlign requires, as input: genome aligned reads and SNV loci to analyze. Reads from each analysis type and sample must be aligned to the same version of the human genome reference. SNVs may be derived from the reads directly, using, for example, Samtools, or they may be derived from independent sources, such as lists of known annotated variants. Variant positions must correspond to genomic coordinates of the reference genome used for the alignment.

RNA2DNAAlign is available as a self-contained binary package for 64-bit Linux systems and as Python source. The pysam package, plus a variety of common third-party python packages including numpy and scipy must be installed to use in Python source form. The self-contained binary package is appropriate for most Linux users.

INSTALLATION

RNA2DNAAlign is available in two forms, a self-contained packaged binary for 64-bit Linux systems, and as Python source. We recommend the self-contained packaged binary for Linux systems.

RNA2DNAAlign for 64-bit Linux

1. Unpack the downloaded release:

```
tar xzf RNA2DNAAlign-*.tgz
ln -s RNA2DNAAlign-* RNA2DNAAlign
```

2. The RNA2DNAAlign program is located in the bin subdirectory:

```
./RNA2DNAAlign/bin/RNA2DNAAlign -h
./RNA2DNAAlign/bin/RNA2DNAAlign
```

3. Test the install using the provided example data:

```
cd RNA2DNAAlign
./bin/RNA2DNAAlign -r "data/example-*.bam" -s "data/example-SNV.tsv" -o testing
```

Python 2.7 RNA2DNAAlign

1. Unpack the downloaded release:

```
tar xzf RNA2DNAAlign-*.tgz
ln -s RNA2DNAAlign-* RNA2DNAAlign
```

2. Locate your Python binary and ensure it is version 2.7:

```
python --version
/path/to/python2.7 --version
```

We refer to the Python binary as `python` below, please substitute whatever path and version numbers are required to run Python 2.7 on your system. We recommend the Enthought Python Distribution (EPD) which pre-installs all but the `pysam` third-party dependencies needed by RNA2DNAAlign.

3. Ensure the necessary third-party Python modules are installed. `pysam` version $\geq 0.8.1$ is required.

```
pysam, numpy, scipy
```

For the configuration and execution GUI (optional):

```
wx
```

For Excel format SNV input files (optional):

```
xlrd, openpyxl
```

The existence of required modules can be tested as follows (demonstrated here for `scipy`):

```
python2.7 -c "from scipy import __version__; print __version__"
```

4. The RNA2DNAAlign program is located in the `src` subdirectory:

```
python ./RNA2DNAAlign/src/RNA2DNAAlign.py -h
python ./RNA2DNAAlign/src/RNA2DNAAlign.py
```

5. Test the installation using the provided example data:

```
cd RNA2DNAAlign python
./src/RNA2DNAAlign.py -r "data/example-*.bam" -s "data/example-SNV.tsv" -o testing
```

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Synopsis

Graphical User Interface:

```
RNA2DNAAlign
```

```
RNA2DNAAlign.py
```

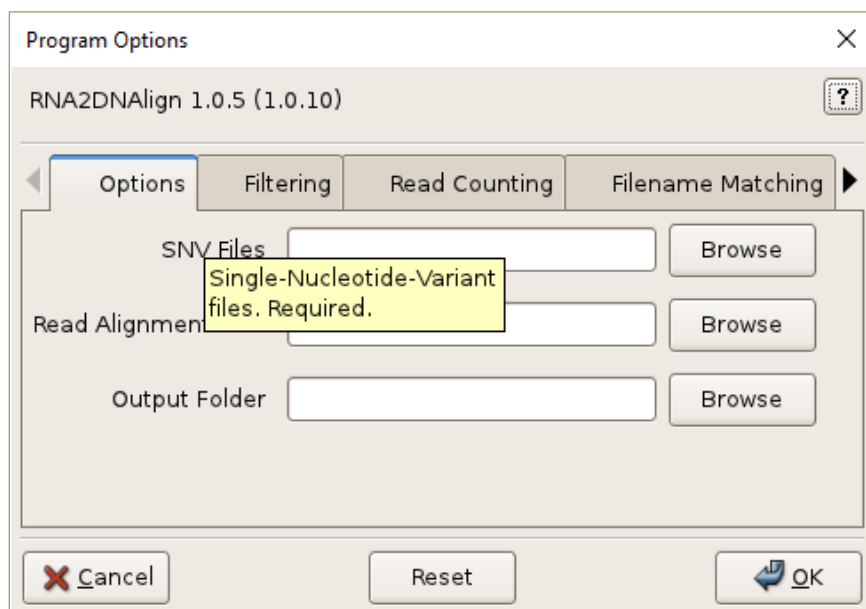
Command-line:

```
RNA2DNAAlign [options]
```

```
RNA2DNAAlign.py [options]
```

Graphical User Interface

Click the help icon (question mark) at the top right of the GUI and then an input field for help. Multiple files can be selected in the file-chooser using Ctrl-Click or Shift-Click. Fields can be reset to their default values using the Reset button. Click OK to execute RNA2DNAAlign.



Additional GUI option tabs are documented below.

Options

SNVs, -s SNVS, --snvs=SNVS

Single-nucleotide-polymorphisms (SNVs). Tabular and VCF format SNVs are supported. Multiple files are specified inside quotes, separated by spaces, and by using file globbing. See [Input Files](#) for more information. Required.

Read Alignment Files, -r ALIGNMENTS, --readalignments=ALIGNMENTS

Read alignments files in indexed BAM format, with extension .bam. BAM index with extension .bam.bai must be located in the same directory. Multiple files are specified inside quotes, separated by spaces, and by using file globbing. See [Input Files](#) for more information. Required.

Output Folder, -o OUTPUT, --output=OUTPUT

Output directory. Will be created if necessary. Files inside this directory will be overwritten by program output. See [Output Files](#) for more information on output files. Required.

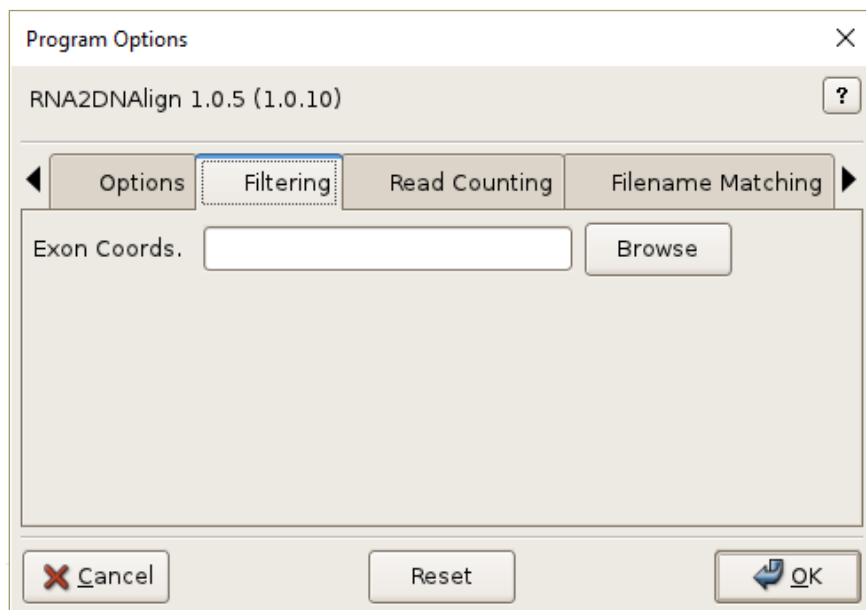
--version

Show program's version number and exit.

-h, --help

Show program help and exit.

Filtering



Exon Coords., -e EXONCOORDS, --exoncoords=EXONCOORDS

Exon coordinates to filter out non-exonic SNVs. Use of exon coordinates to filter the SNVs is strongly recommended for semantic and performance reasons for transcriptome-to-exome types of analyses. See [Annotation Files](#) for format and download information. Optional.

Read Counting

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Program Options" for "RNA2DAlign 1.0.5 (1.0.10)". It has four tabs: "Options", "Filtering", "Read Counting" (which is selected and highlighted with a blue border), and "Filename Matching". The "Read Counting" tab contains the following settings:

- Min. Reads:** A text input field containing the value "10".
- Filter Alignments:** A checkbox that is checked.
- Unique Reads:** A checkbox that is unchecked.
- Threads/BAM:** A text input field containing the value "1".
- Quiet:** A checkbox that is unchecked.

At the bottom of the dialog box are three buttons: "Cancel" (with a red X icon), "Reset", and "OK" (with a blue arrow icon).

Min. Reads, -m MINREADS, --minreads=MINREADS

Minimum number of good reads at each SNV locus per alignment file. Default=10.

Filter Alignments, -f, --alignmentfilter

(Turn off) alignment filtering by length, edits, etc.

Unique Reads, -U, --uniquereads

Consider only distinct reads.

Threads/BAM, -t TPB, --threadsperbam=TPB

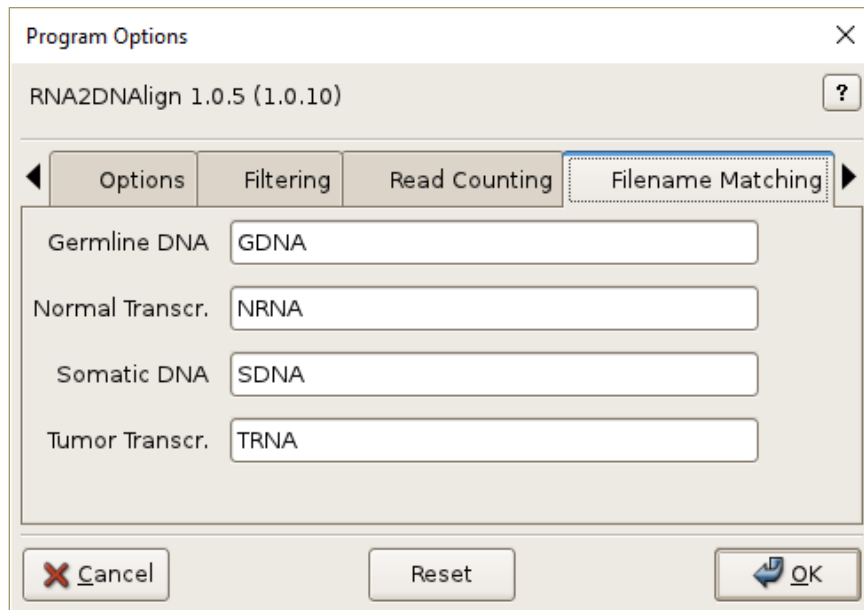
Worker threads per alignment file. Indicate no threading with 0. Default=1.

Quiet, -q, --quiet

Do not show readCounts progress.

Filename Matching

Unique string of 4 characters from the name of the corresponding file.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Program Options" for "RNA2DNAAlign 1.0.5 (1.0.10)". It has a close button (X) in the top right and a help button (?) in the top right. Below the title bar are four tabs: "Options", "Filtering", "Read Counting", and "Filename Matching". The "Filename Matching" tab is selected and highlighted. Inside this tab, there are four text input fields with labels to their left: "Germline DNA" with value "GDNA", "Normal Transcr." with value "NRNA", "Somatic DNA" with value "SDNA", and "Tumor Transcr." with value "TRNA". At the bottom of the dialog are three buttons: "Cancel" (with a red X icon), "Reset", and "OK" (with a blue arrow icon).

Germline DNA, --normaldnare=NORMALDNARE

Germline/Normal DNA filename regular expression. Default: GDNA.

Normal Transcr., --normaltransre=NORMALTRANSRE

Normal transcriptome filename regular expression. Default: NRNA.

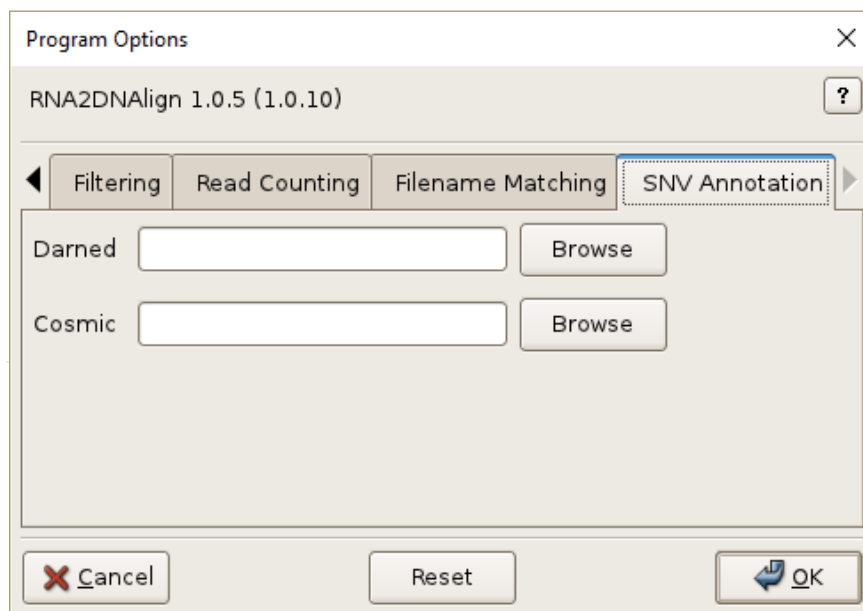
Somatic DNA, --tumordnare=TUMORDNARE

Somatic/Tumor DNA filename regular expression. Default: SDNA.

Tumor Transcr., --tumortransre=TUMORTTRANSRE

Tumor transcriptome filename regular expression. Default: TRNA.

Annotation



Darned, -d DARNED, --darned=DARNED

DARNED Annotations. See [Annotation Files](#) for format and download information. Optional.

Cosmic, -c COSMIC, --cosmic=COSMIC

COSMIC Annotations. See [Annotation Files](#) for format and download information. Optional.

Input Files

All input files - SNV loci, read alignments, and annotation files - must indicate genomic position with respect to the same specific release of a common reference genome.

SNVs

Single-nucleotide-variants (SNVs) in tabular or VCF format. Tabular formats and their required extensions include whitespace separated text files (.txt), tab-separated values files (.tsv), comma-separated values files (.csv), Excel (.xlsx), and Excel 2003 (.xls).

Text files must have four white-space separated columns representing the chromosome (CHROM), locus (POS), wild-type allele nucleotide (REF), and SNV nucleotide (ALT). Other tabular formats must provide CHROM, POS, REF, ALT headings.

Alignments

Read alignment files in indexed BAM format. Filename extension .bam expected with .bam.bai index files **in the same location/folder**. RNA2DNAAlign will execute fastest if all BAM files are sorted and indexed in a consistent manner. **Alignments produced using BWA, Bowtie, TopHat and STAR have been tested as inputs for RNA2DNAAlign.**

Output Files

RNA2DNAAlign output files are created in the directory specified. The folder will be created if necessary. Existing files will be overwritten.

Summary File

The `summary_result.txt` file summarizes the count of each type of event observed. See example output files in the `RNA2DNAAlign/data` directory.

Event Files

Each execution of RNA2DNAAlign will create (up to) eight tab-separated value event files representing the following events: RNA editing (`Events_RNAed.tsv`), tumor-specific RNA editing (`Events_T-RNAed.tsv`), variant-specific expression (`Events_VSE.tsv`) or loss (`Events_VSL.tsv`), tumor-specific variant expression (`Events_T-VSE.tsv`) or loss (`Events_T-VSL.tsv`), somatic mutagenesis (`Events_SOM.tsv`), and loss of heterozygosity (`Events_LOH.tsv`). See example output files in the [RNA2DNAAlign/data/example-output](#) directory.

Event File Fields

Each Event file contains the SNV positions with allele dispersion matching the corresponding event. The information for each SNV is contained in consecutive rows corresponding to the analyzed matching datasets (4 rows in the case of normal/tumor/exome/transcriptome analyses). Event files contain the following fields:

AlignedReads

Name of the aligned reads file for the following read counts.

CHROM

Chromosome identifier

POS

Chromosome position of the variant

REF

Reference allele nucleotide

ALT

Variant allele nucleotide

SNPCountForward

Number of forward oriented variant reads in the paired end alignment.

SNPCountReverse

Number of reverse oriented variant reads in the paired end alignment.

RefCountForward

Number of forward oriented reference reads in the paired end alignment.

RefCountReverse

Number of reverse oriented reference reads in the paired end alignment.

SNPCount

Total number of variant reads.

RefCount

Total number of reference reads.

R

Proportion of variant reads.

HomoVarSc

Score of locus as homozygous variant.

HetSc

Score of locus as heterozygous reference and variant.

HomoRefSc

Score of locus as homozygous reference.

VarDomSc

Score of locus as dominant for the variant allele.

RefDomSc

Score of locus as dominant for the reference allele.

NotHomoVarpV

p-Value of read counts with respect to homozygous variant null model.

NotHomoRefpV

p-Value of read counts with respect to homozygous reference null model.

NotHetpV

p-Value of read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

VarDompV

p-Value of increased variant read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

RefDompV

p-Value of increased reference read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

NotHomoVarFDR

Multiple-test corrected FDR significance of read counts with respect to homozygous variant null model.

NotHomoRefFDR

Multiple-test corrected FDR significance of read counts with respect to homozygous reference null model.

NotHetFDR

Multiple-test corrected FDR significance of read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

VarDomFDR

Multiple-test corrected FDR significance of increased variant read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

RefDomFDR

Multiple-test corrected FDR significance of increased reference read counts with respect to heterozygous reference and variant null model.

Read Counts

A tab-separated values file consisting of the computed read-counts is also provided (`readCounts.tsv`). This file contains the read counts for each SNV locus in each BAM file and computes the various statistical tests described above, in "Event File Fields". The read counts file can be used to investigate the computed values for expected events that didn't pass filtering, significance, or scoring thresholds.

Annotation Files

All annotation files, SNV loci, and read alignments must indicate genomic position with respect to the same specific release of a common reference genome.

The following files and instructions are for hg19/grch37/NCBI37.

RefSeq Exon Coordinates (UCSC)

Use of exon coordinates for transcriptome-to-exome comparisons is strongly recommended.

1. RefSeq exon coordinates are downloaded from the UCSC genome browser and provided in the RNA2DNAAlign/data directory in the file: `UCSC_Human_hg19_RefSeq_CDS_exon_coordinates.txt`. The exon coordinates file can be used as provided.

2. RefSeq exon coordinates can be recreated as follows:

```
cd data
./dlExons.sh hg19 > UCSC_Human_hg19_RefSeq_CDS_exon_coordinates.txt
```

Exon coordinates should be tab-separated and sorted by chromosome number (1,2,3,...,X,Y), start position, end position, in increasing order.

COSMIC

COSMIC mutations are downloaded from the COSMIC website and provided in the RNA2DNAAlign/data directory in the file: CosmicMutantExport_hg19.tsv.gz. The annotation file can be used as provided.

COSMIC mutations can be downloaded as follows:

- Register with COSMIC

```
https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/register
```

- Download the COSMIC mutants:

```
sftp "login"@sftp-  
cancer.sanger.ac.uk:/cosmic/grch37/cosmic/v75/CosmicMutantExport.tsv.gz
```

- COSMIC annotations can be used in its downloaded format.

DARNED

1. DARNED loci are downloaded from the DARNED website and provided in the RNA2DNAAlign/data directory in the file: DARNED_hg19.txt. The annotation file can be used as provided.

2. DARNED loci can be downloaded for another assembly as follows:

- Download the DARNED loci:

```
http://darned.ucc.ie/static/downloads/hg19.txt
```

- DARNED loci can be used in its downloaded format.

Examples

Command-line

Example 1: BAM files and single SNV file in TSV format.

```
cd RNA2DNAAlign/data  
  
../bin/RNA2DNAAlign -r "example-*.bam" -s "example-SNV.tsv" -o example1
```

Example 2: BAM and VCF files for each dataset, exonic SNV filtering, and DARNED and COSMIC annotations using the supplied annotation files.

```
cd RNA2DNAAlign/data  
  
../bin/RNA2DNAAlign -r "example-GDNA.bam example-NRNA.bam example-SDNA.bam example-TRNA.bam"  
-s "example-*.vcf" -o example2 -e UCSC_Human_hg19_RefSeq_CDS_exon_coordinates.txt -d  
DARNED_hg19.txt -c CosmicMutantExport_hg19.tsv.gz
```

Result files corresponding to this analysis are available in the RNA2DNAAlign/data directory in the example-output directory.

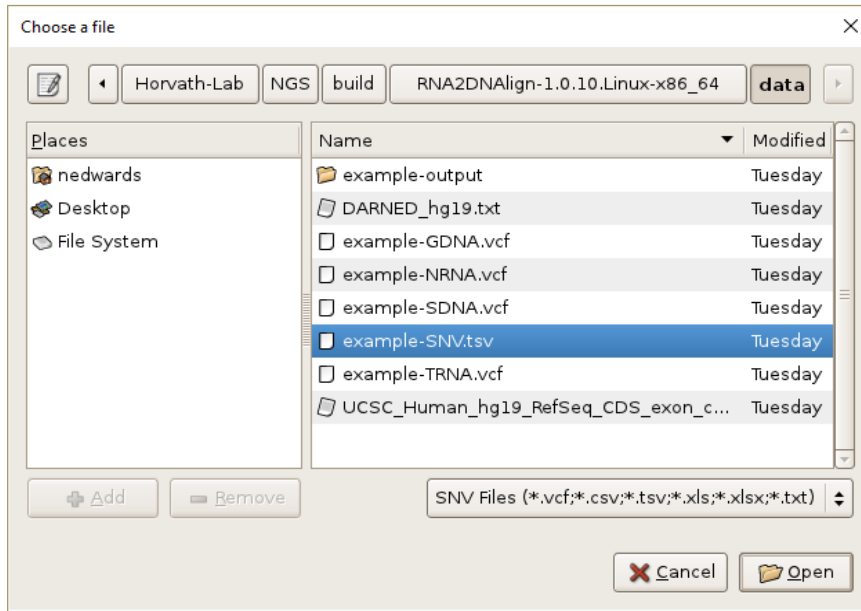
Example 3: BAM and VCF files for each dataset, exonic SNV filtering, and minimum reads per loci in each dataset of 3.

```
cd RNA2DNAAlign/data  
  
../bin/RNA2DNAAlign -r "example-*.bam" -s "example-*.vcf" -o example3 -e  
UCSC_Human_hg19_RefSeq_CDS_exon_coordinates.txt -m 3
```

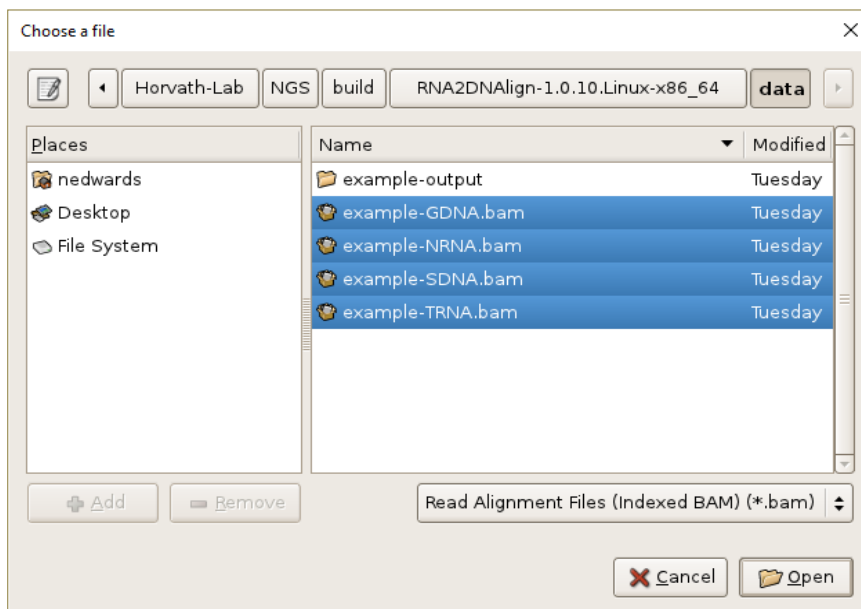
Examples: Graphical User Interface

Example 1: BAM files and single SNV file in TSV format.

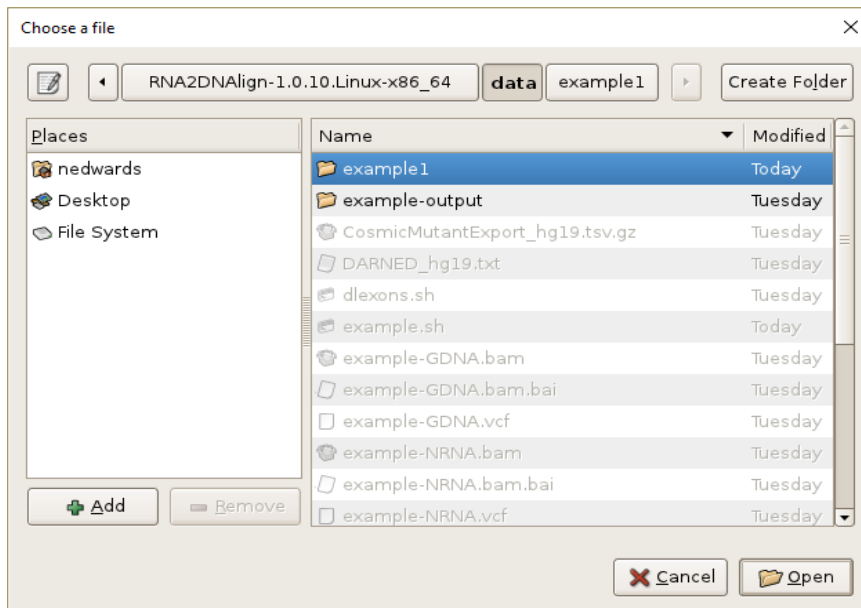
1. Select the SNV file by clicking on the Browse button, navigating to RNA2DNA1ign/data, selecting example-SNV.tsv, and clicking OK.



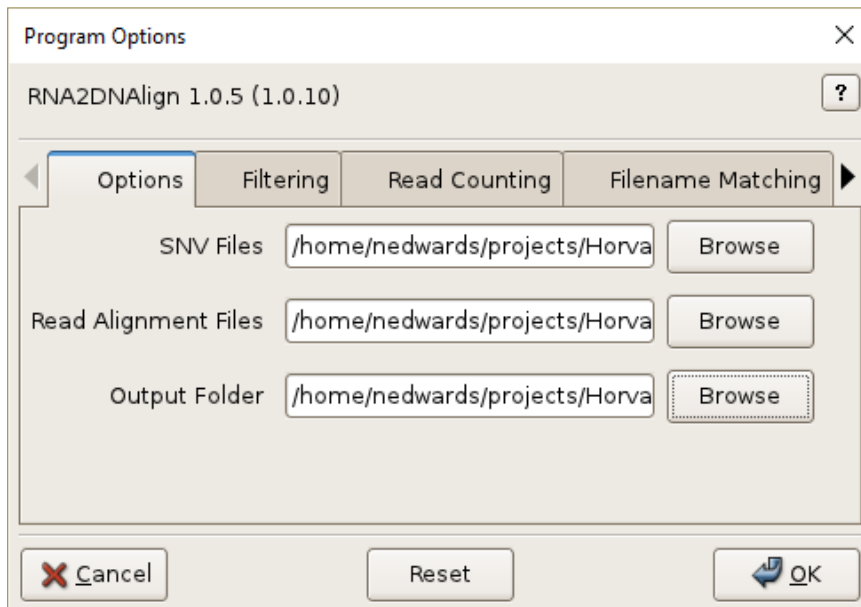
2. Select the BAM files by clicking on the Browse button, navigating to RNA2DNA1ign/data, selecting all the BAM files, using shift-click or control-click as needed, and clicking OK.



- Specify the output directory by clicking on the Browse button, navigating to RNA2DNAAlign/data, clicking Create Folder, entering "example1", and clicking open.

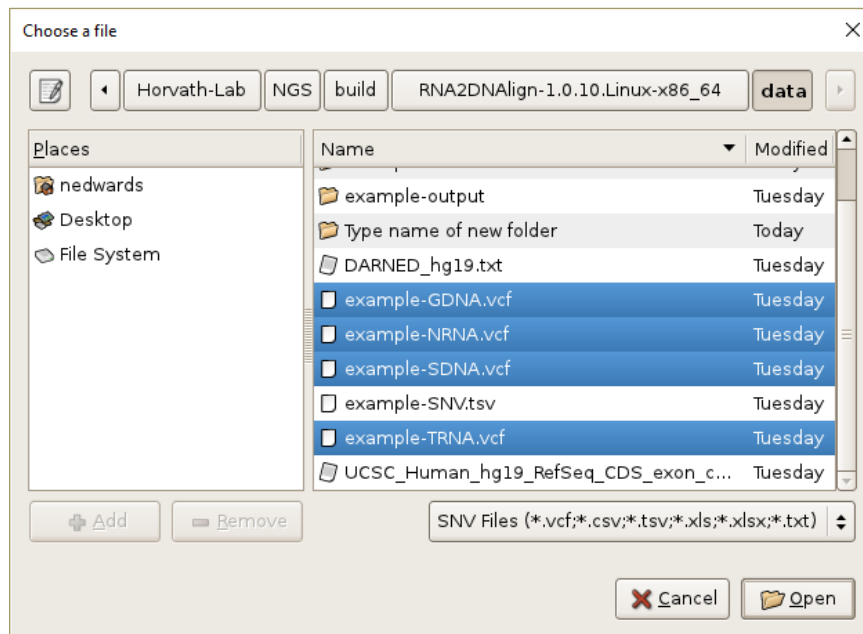


- Click ok to execute the program.

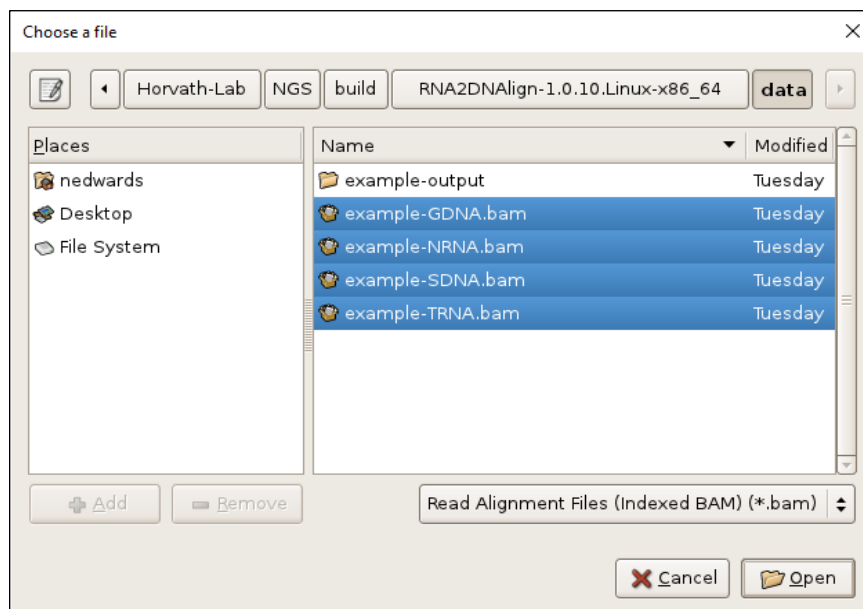


Example 2: BAM and VCF files for each dataset, exonic SNV filtering, and DARNED and COSMIC annotations using the supplied annotation files.

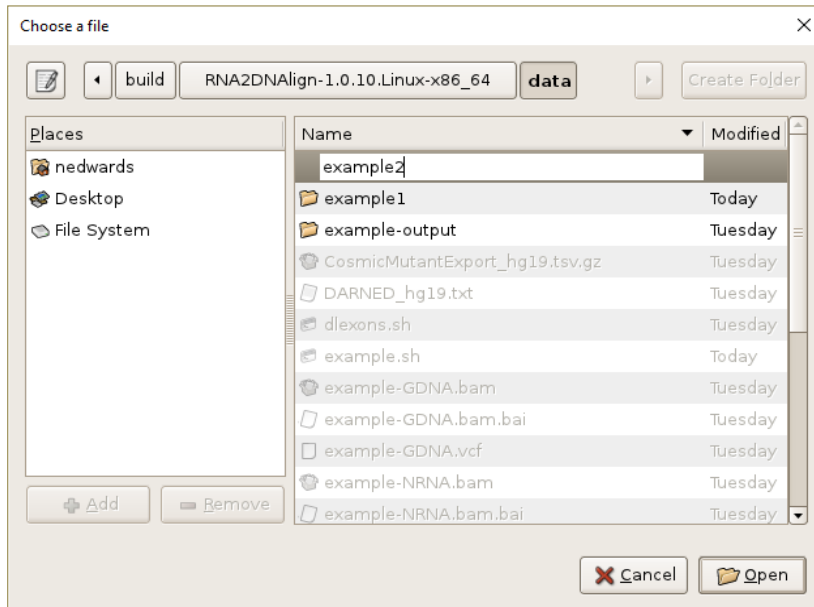
1. Select the VCF files by clicking on the Browse button, navigating to RNA2DNA1ign/data, selecting all the VCF files, using shift-click or control-click as needed, and clicking OK.



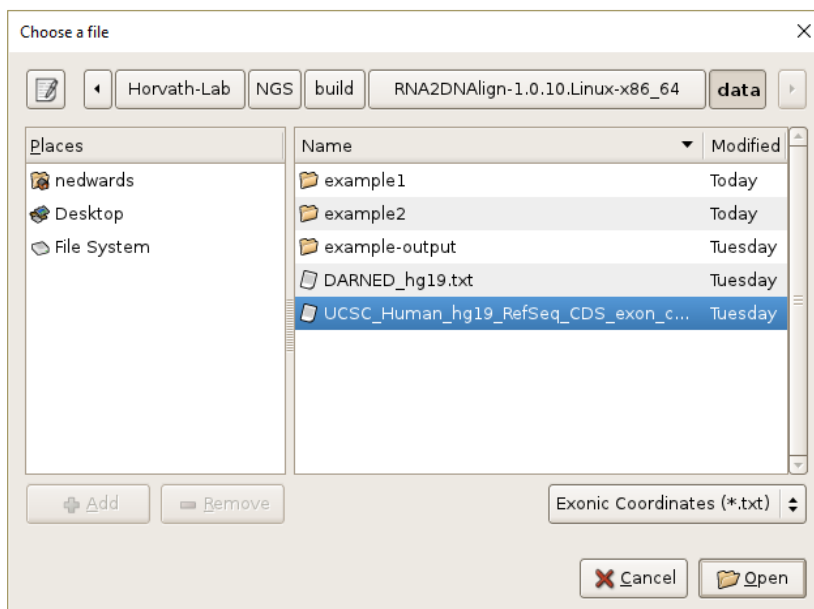
2. Select the BAM files by clicking on the Browse button, navigating to RNA2DNA1ign/data, selecting all the BAM files, using shift-click or control-click as needed, and clicking OK.



- 3 Specify the output directory by clicking on the **Browse** button, navigating to RNA2DNAAlign/data, clicking **Create Folder**, entering "example2" and clicking **Open**.



- 4 Specify exonic SNV filtering by selecting the **Filtering** tab, clicking on the **Browse** button, navigating to RNA2DNAAlign/data, selecting "UCSC_Human_hg19_RefSeq_CDS_exon_coordinates.txt", and clicking **OK**.



- 5 Specify **DARNED** and **COSMIC** annotation of SNP events on the **SNV Annotation** tab, selecting the files **DARNED_hg19.txt** and **CosmicMutantExport_hg19.tsv.gz**.
- 6 Click **OK** to execute the program. Result files corresponding to this analysis are available in the RNA2DNAAlign/data directory in the example-output directory.