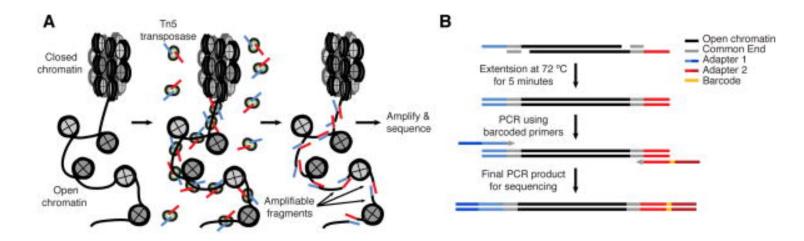
ATAC-seq Data Pre-processing Pipeline

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Overview

Buenrostro 2015:

Assay for Transposase Accessible Chromatin with high-throughput sequencing (ATAC-seq) is a method for mapping chromatin accessibility genome-wide.



Data analysis

Data Pre-processing: make clean BAM files

- · Adapter removal
- Alignments
- PCR duplicates
- · Exclude chrM
- Sanity check

Downstream analysis

- Peaking calling
- Annotation
- · Differential binding

Data analysis

Software requirement

- · cutadapt
- picard
- · samtools
- bowtie2
- · FASTQC
- MACS2

BioConductor

- · ChIPseeker or ChIPpeakAnno
- · DiffBind

Pre Pre-Processing

Quality Control

FASTQC

Chasity filtering

```
Casava 1.8 format -> retain reads with filter flag=N
@EAS139:136:FC706VJ:2:2104:15343:197393 1:N:18:ATCACG

for i in *fastq.gz
do
    i2=${i//.gz/}
    zgrep -A 3 '^@.*[^:]*:N:[^:]*:' $i \
    | zgrep -v '^\-\-$' > $fileredDir/$i2
done

Tips: Hutbase.org offers FASTQC+Filtering pipeline
```

Pre Pre-Processing

Concatenate sequence reads on multiple lanes

Genomic Core sequence samples on multiple lanes may have separate files for each lane.

```
cat $(ls *_R1_*.fastq.gz) > sampleName_R1.fastq.gz
Or
zcat $(ls *_R1_*.fastq.gz) > sampleName_R1.fastq
```

Adapter removal

cutadapt searches input reads for a given adapter sequence and removes it.

Usual parameters

- · -a to remove 3' adapter
- · -g to remove 5' adapter
- · −0 to give minimal length of the provided adapter sequence.

Adapter removal

Illumina Nextera Transposase Adapters

Genomic indexes

Pre-build reference are available from iGenome

```
cd /shared/biodata/ngs/Reference/iGenomes
cwon2@rhino2:/shared/biodata/ngs/Reference/iGenomes$ ls -lt
total 682
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Dec 6 2017 Bos taurus
drwxrwsr-x 7 mfitzgib biodata adm
                                  155 Jul 27 2017 Homo sapiens
                     biodata adm
                                   47 Aug 22 2016 Rattus norvegicus
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   25 Jun 8 2016 Macaca mulatta
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   47 Jan 26 2016 Caenorhabditis elegans
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                                   47 Jan 14 2016 Saccharomyces cerevisiae
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Nov 4 2015 Danio rerio
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Sep 1 2015 Gallus gallus
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                                   47 May 18 2015 Canis familiaris
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
drwxrwsr-x 4 mfitzgib biodata adm
                                   44 Oct 30 2014 Drosophila melanogaster
```

Usual paramters

parameter	description	default
-X <int></int>	Maximum DNA fragment length	500
very-sensitive	better alignment results are frequently achieved with it	-sensitive
-p <int></int>	Number of cores on which to run	1
seed <int></int>	number used to initialize a pseudorandom number generator	
-k <int></int>	Search for one or more alignments, report alignments	
-a	Search for and report all alignments	

```
ml Bowtie2/2.3.2-foss-2016b # if not already loaded
ml SAMtools/1.8-foss-2016b
bowtie2 --very-sensitive -p 4 \
    -I 20 -X 1000 -x $hg38_genomeBuild \
    -1 $trim1.gz -2 $trim2.gz \
    samtools view -Sb - > $sampleName.bam
```

Why setting **-x 1000** is reasonable?

- nucleosome (~147bps) + space in between (~20bps) ~= 160 bps
- cover up at least three size of nucleosomes ~= 600 bps
- · cover up possible skipped nucleosome near TSS
- · just to loosen up

Sort BAM

```
# sort
samtools sort -@ 4 $sampleName.bam $sampleName.bam.sorted
mv $sampleName.bam.sorted.bam $sampleName.bam
```

Exclude chrM

ATAC-seq datasets usually contain decent among of reads derived from chrM.

PCR duplicates

PCR duplicates are exact copy of fragments and are artifacts of the library preparation.

Index BAM

Finish up!

samtools index \$sampleName.bam
touch \$sampleName.bowtie2Done.txt

Peak Calling using MACS2

Example of using proper paired reads and real insert size:

```
ml MACS2/2.1.1.20160309-foss-2015b-Python-2.7.9
macs2 callpeak -f BAMPE -t $sampleName.bam \
    -g hs \
    -outdir <output_dir> -n <file_prefix> -q 0.05 \
    -keep-dup all
```

Peak Calling using MACS2

Hints

- If PCR duplicates are not removed already, use default setting --keep-dup 1 to keep one tag of at the sample position.
- If looking for enriched cutting sites. Assuming 200 is the average fragment size:

```
--nomodel --shift -100 --extsize 200
```

Bioconductor ChIPseeker or ChIPpeakAnno packages

library(ChIPseeker)
library(plyranges)
library(ggplot2)
library(org.Hs.eg.db)
library(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38.knownGene)

Bridge MACS2's narrowPeaks bed file to ChIPseeker

Example using ChIPseeker::annotatePeak() and ChIPseeker::plotAnnoBar().

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