

## Practical Session #2: Primary nucleotide sequence resources

Help here: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK49540/>

### I. Organization of information in the NCBI nucleotide database.

What taxonomical division do these sequences belong to?

NM\_001727: **9606 homo sapiens** → PRI

JFFV01000040: **1280 Staphylococcus aureus** → BCT

Z12018: **6239 Caenorhabditis elegans** → INV

What functional division, high-throughput or sub-database do these sequences belong to?

NM\_001727: -

JFFV01000040: **WGS**

Z12018: **HTG**

### II. Identify the function of the following indexed field when added to any term during a query to a sequence database

[porgn] **Filter for primary organism**

[GENE] **Gene names on database records**

[PROP] **Properties of the term (molecular type, database sources, ...)**

[filter] **Filter data subsets**

[Protein name] **Gives names of protein products**

### III. At NCBI nucleotide database what does this query search do?

Txid9031[porgn] AND biomo1\_mrna[PROP] AND refseq[filter] AND 0:1000[SLEN]

**Gives the properties of messenger RN from chickens up to position 1000, filtering only from the RefSeq database.**

### IV. How many mice (*Mus musculus*) ribosomal RNA (rRNA) sequences are there in the nucleotide database at the NCBI?

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How many of these sequences belong to the sub-database RefSeq? What is the accession.version number of the longest sequence of this filtered set?

**66 belong to sub-database Ref Seq**

**NR\_046233.2 is the accession version**

**V. Find out the nucleotide entries at NCBI which meet the following statements.**

- The human reference mRNA sequence encoding for the epidermal growth factor variant 1.

~~EGF[GENE] AND refseq[filter] AND Txid9606[Organism] → 7~~

EGF[GENE] AND variant 1[title] AND biomol\_mrna[PROP] AND Txid9606[Organism]  
→ NM\_001963

- The largest human mRNA sequence.

Txid9606[Organism] AND mrna[filter] → NM\_001267550.2

-----biomol\_mrna[PROP]

- It is a DNA sequence from *Amoeba proteus* that contains the gene AQP.

"Amoeba proteus"[Organism] AND "AQP"[GENE]

-----AND biomol\_genomic[PROP]

- The longest genomic sequence from the bacterium *Burkholderia pseudomallei* bearing among others the genes *recA* and *recX*.

Burkholderia pseudomallei[Primary Organism] AND recA[Gene Name] AND  
recX[Gene Name] +sort by seq length

Enter first option>the sequence is identical to the next one

- An mRNA sequence greater than 10 kb from the Asian tiger mosquito without an annotated protein coding region (take a look at the **exercise VI** to solve this)

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**V.1** In the entry for the reference mRNA sequence for the human epidermal growth factor variant 1 what are the coordinates of the coding region or CDS? What is the name for this gene?

**VI. The Search Field tag [Feature Key] or [fkey] is used to retrieve records annotated with a given biological feature.**

Select what the result would be for the following search strategies (match each strategy with the expected result):

Query

human[porgn] AND CDS[fkey]

human[porgn] AND gene[fkey]

Txid9606[porgn] NOT CDS[fkey]

Homo sapiens[porgn] NOT intron[fkey]

Result

A list of human sequences without an annotated coding region

A list of human sequences without an annotated intron

A list of human sequences with at least one annotated protein codifying segment

A list of human nucleotide sequences with an indicated gene region

Tips: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Sitemap/samplerecord.html>

**VII. Linking two databases** (hint: use filter key: *currentdatabase\_linkeddatabase*).

7.1 List all mouse nucleotide sequences codifying for at least one protein indexed in NCBI.

7.2 List all bacterial nucleotide sequences that have a reference to a scientific paper.

7.3 List all human nucleotide sequences related with at least one phenotype or disease(human genes and genetic disorders).