

Standards, Precautions & Advances in Ancient Metagenomics

Practical 2D: Introduction to nf-core/eager

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Overview

- 1. Introduction to nf-core/eager
- 2. Steps in the pipeline
- 3. How to build an eager command
- 4. Top tips for eager success
- 5. nf-core/eager output



Before we start!

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$ ls
```

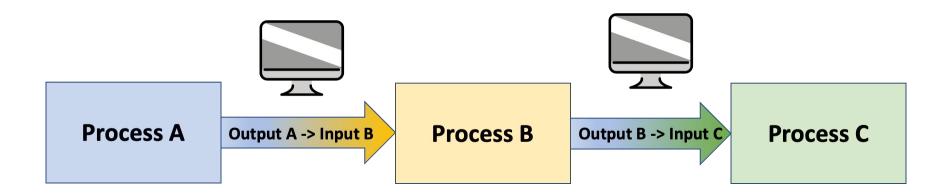
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$ tar xvf *eager.tar
$ rm *eager.tar
```

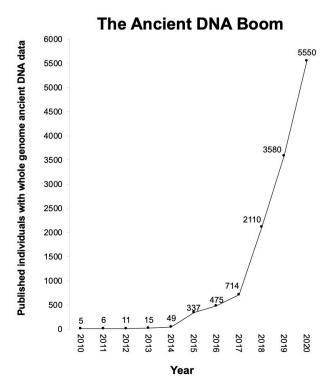


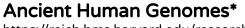
What is a pipeline?

 Series of linked computational steps in which the output of one process becomes the input to the next

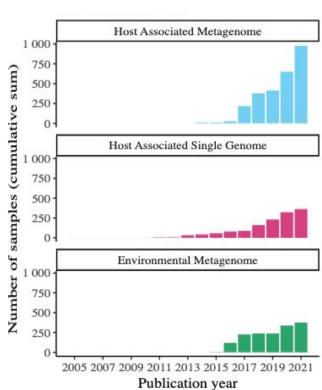








https://reich.hms.harvard.edu/research

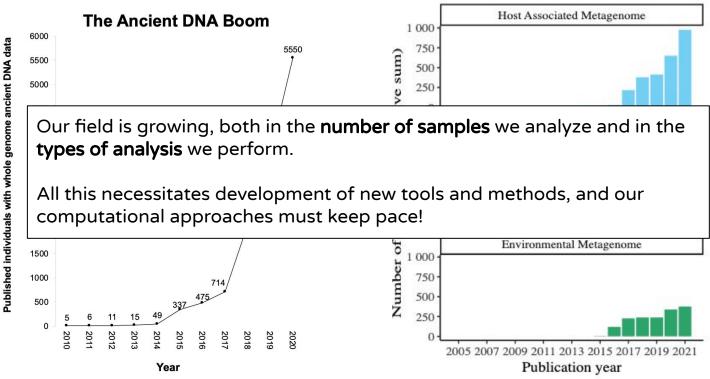


Other aDNA Sources

https://github.com/SPAAM-community/AncientMetagenomeDir ⁵

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More Data, More Analyses





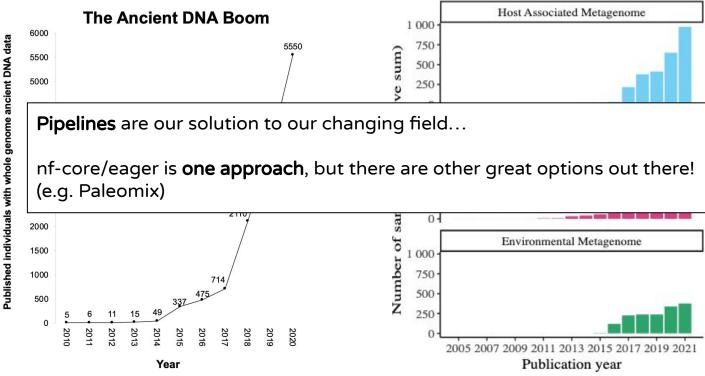
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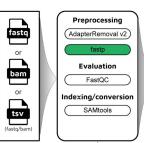
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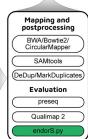


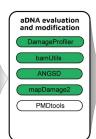
What is nf-core/eager?

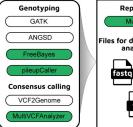
- Computational pipeline designed for ancient DNA data
 - **EAGER** Efficient Ancient Genome Reconstruction (Peltzer *et al.* 2016)
- nf-core/eager- Reimplementation of the pipeline using Nextflow
 - 1. Portability
 - 2. Reproducibility
 - 3. Updated functionality

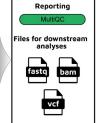




















Portability/Accessibility

- Why do we care about portability?
 - Facilitates reproducible analyses by ensuring same tool versions, dependencies, environment, etc.
 - Provides easy access to pipeline tools (fewer installation/dependency issues)
 - Facilitates use across platforms (HPC systems, PCs, cloud computing)



Portability/Accessibility

- Containerization- distributing programs in self-contained bundles that contain all the code, packages, libraries, etc. needed to run it
- nf-core/eager compatible with Docker, Conda, Singularity





Reproducibility

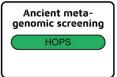
- Customizable configuration profiles:
 - HPC cluster-level profiles- usable with all nextflow pipelines!
 - Pipeline-level profiles- Specifies analytical options for easily-reproducible analyses
- Profiles can be shared alongside publications (e.g. via Github)
 - Easier to write your methods section

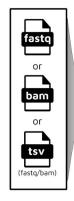


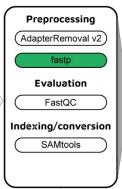


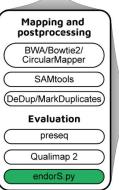
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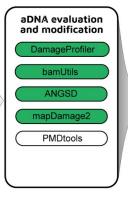


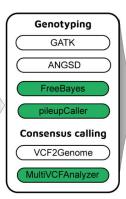


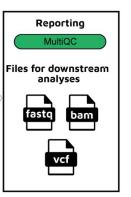




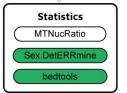








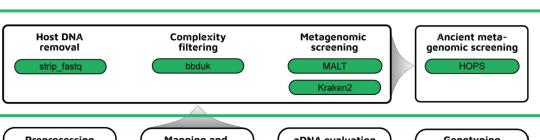




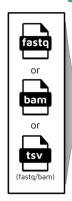


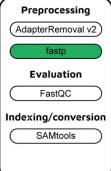


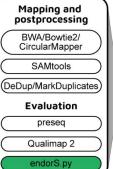
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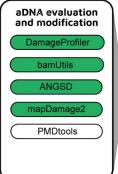


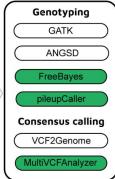


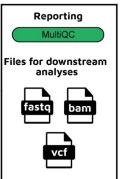




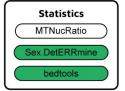










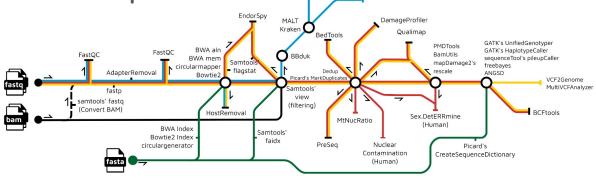






Steps in the Pipeline

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Single output

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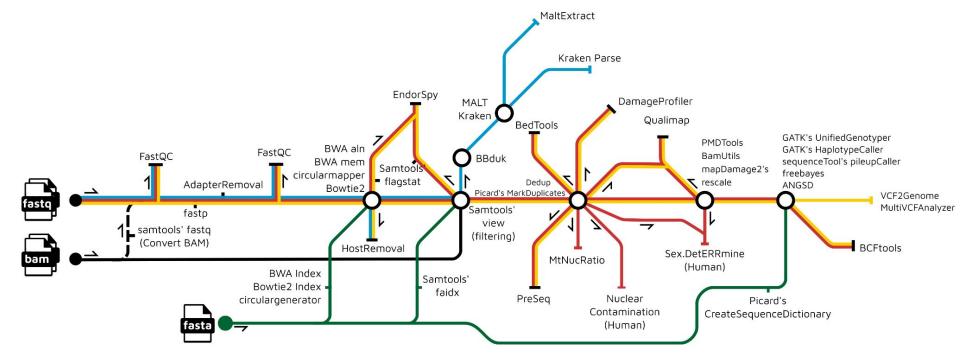
Eukaryotic Nuclear Genome Microbial or Organelle Genome

Metagenomic Profiling Reference

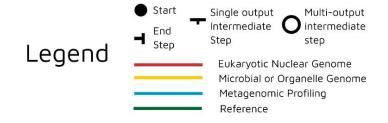
Multi-output

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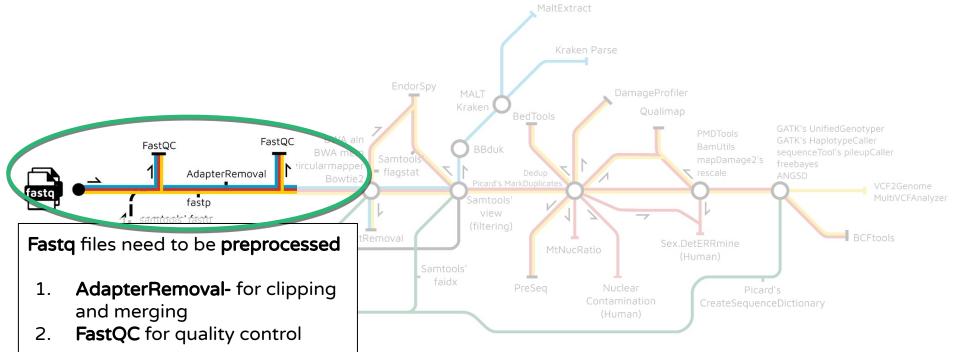




Example analysis pathways



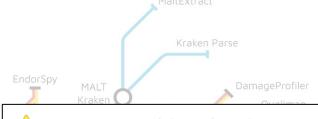


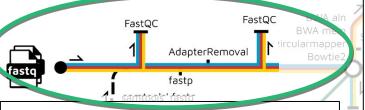


Example analysis pathways









Fastq files need to be preprocessed

- AdapterRemoval- for clipping and merging
- 2. **FastQC** for quality control

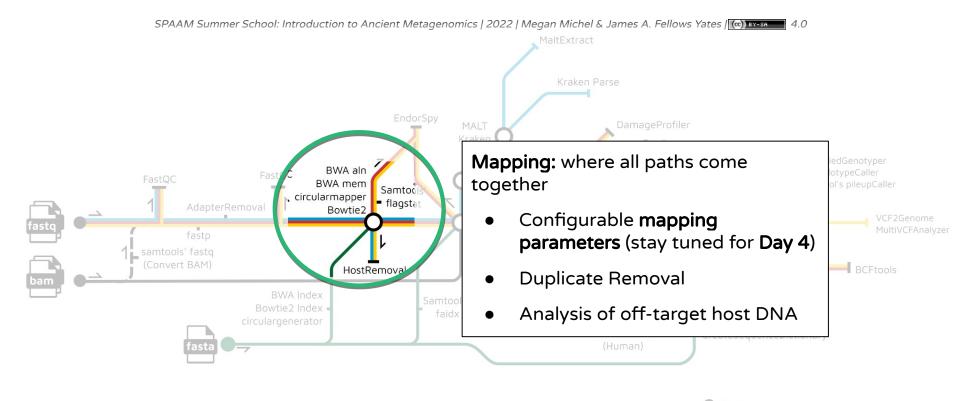
Input tsv files facilitate integration of multiple data types in a single EAGER run!

Sample_Name	Library_ID	Lane	Colour_Chemistry	SeqType	Organism	Strandedness	UDG_Treatment	R1
JK2782	JK2782	7	4	PE	Mammoth	double	full	data/JK2782_TGGCCGATCAACGA_L007_R1_0
JK2782	JK2782	8	4	PE	Mammoth	double	full	data/JK2782_TGGCCGATCAACGA_L008_R1_0
JK2802	JK2802	7	4	PE	Mammoth	double	full	data/JK2802_AGAATAACCTACCA_L007_R1_00
IK2802	JK2802	8	4	SE	Mammoth	double	full	data/JK2802 AGAATAACCTACCA L008 R1 00

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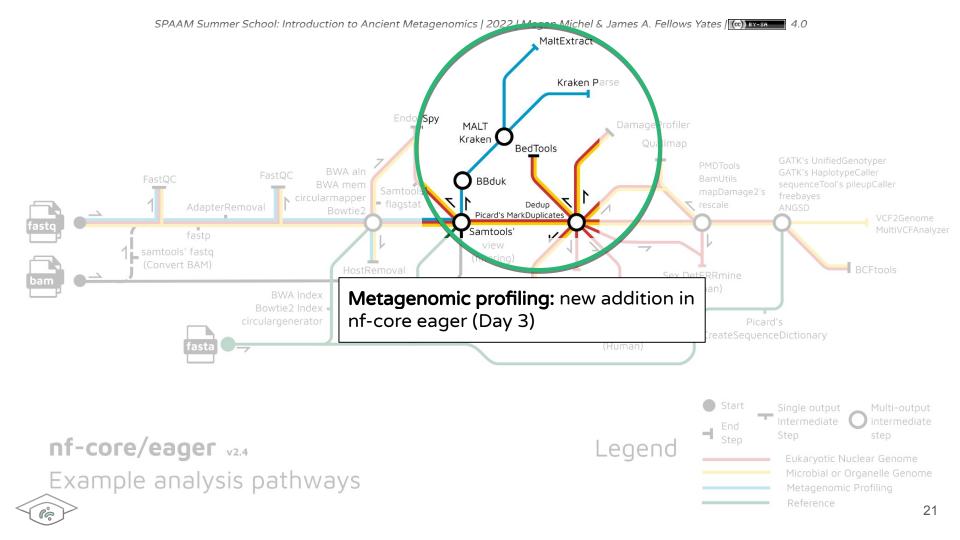




Example analysis pathways



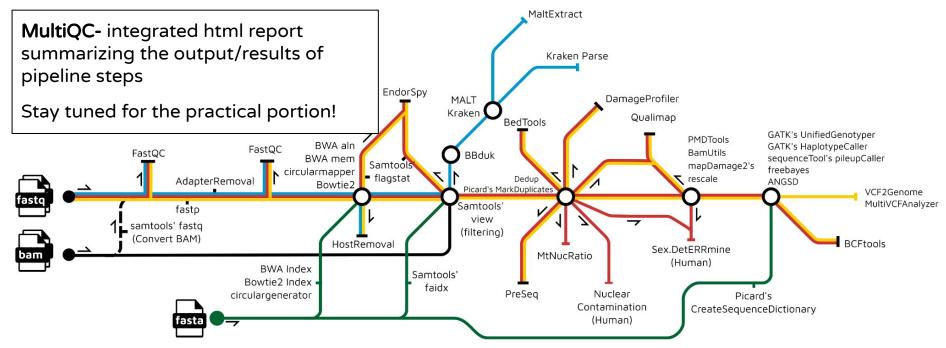




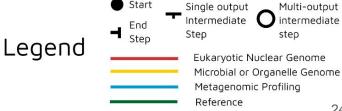
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Example analysis pathways





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How to build an EAGER command

A practical introduction



Our dataset: Y. pestis capture

Sample		Strand	Library		Library		Archive Data
Name	Library Name	Туре	Treatment	Instrument Model	Layout	Library Strategy	Accession
GLZ002	GLZ002.A0101	double	half-udg	Illumina HiSeq 4000	PAIRED	Targeted-Capture	ERR4093961
GLZ002	GLZ002.A0102	double	full-udg	Illumina HiSeq 4000	PAIRED	Targeted-Capture	ERR4093962
KZL002	KZL002.A0101	double	half-udg	Illumina HiSeq 4000	PAIRED	Targeted-Capture	ERR8958768
KZL002	KZL002.A0102	double	half-udg	Illumina HiSeq 4000	PAIRED	Targeted-Capture	ERR8958769

- Glazkovskoe predmestie (GLZ)- Neolithic Siberia, 3081-2913 calBCE
- Kyzyl (KZL)- Iron Age Kazakhstan, 2736-2457 calBCE



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Our target:

- Trim adapters and merge raw sequencing data
- **Align** reads to the *Y. pestis* reference and **compute endogenous percent**
- Filter bam files to remove host DNA
- **Deduplicate** reads for accurate coverage estimation and genotyping
- Merge data by sample and perform genotyping on combined dataset



On your marks...

- Conda environment contains pre-installed tools for this practical session
 - For future installation (e.g. on your local machine), see:
 https://nf-co.re/eager

```
$ conda activate git-eager
$ cd /vol/volume/2d-introduction-to-nf-core-eager/eager
```



Get Set(up)...

Download the **latest version** of the nf-core/eager repo (or **update** an already installed version)

```
$ nextflow pull nf-core/eager
Checking nf-core/eager ...
done - revision: 43a239bd13 [2.4.4]
```





Don't press enter until we make it through the whole command!

Tells nextflow to execute the EAGER pipeline

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager
```





Don't press enter until we make it through the whole command!

Specify which pipeline version for to run for reproducibility

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1
```

Note: we have to currently specify `-dsl1` to specify which version of Nextflow to use. This will not be necessary in the next version of eager





Don't press enter until we make it through the whole command!

Profiles configure your analysis for specific computing environments and/or specify analytical options

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda
```





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Specify a **reference** in fasta format

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta ../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna
```





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Specify input in tsv format or using wildcards (more on that later!)

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta
../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna --input
ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input_update.tsv
```





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Filter unmapped reads and save in fastq format

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta ../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna --input ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input_update.tsv --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type fastq
```





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Run genotyping using the GATK UnifiedGenotyper

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta ../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna --input ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input_update.tsv --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type fastq --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool ug --gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES
```



Go run nf-core/eager!



Don't press enter until we make it through the whole command!

Generate variant calling statistics

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta ../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna --input ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input_update.tsv --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type fastq --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool ug --gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES --run_bcftools_stats
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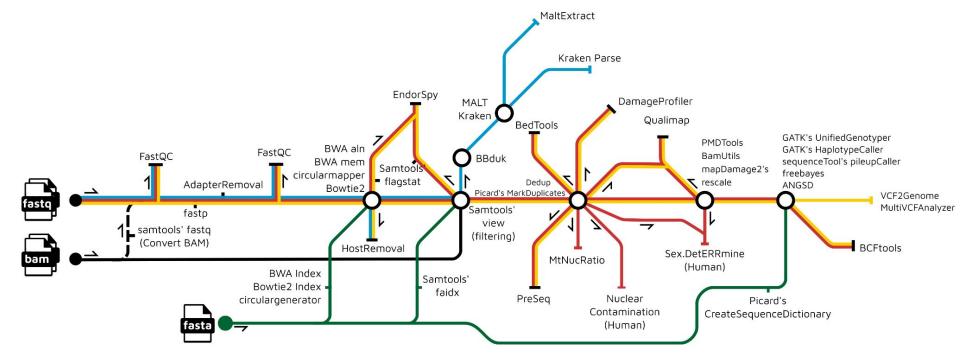


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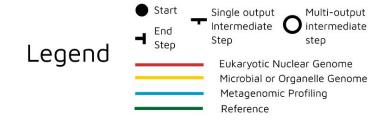
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--bam_unmapped_type fastq --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool ug
--gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES --run_bcftools_stats
```





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Example analysis pathways





And now we wait...





Other options: A teaser

Skip steps (e.g. for preprocessed, adapter-trimmed data)

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta '../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna' --input 'ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input.tsv' --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type 'fastq' --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool 'ug' --gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES --run_bcftools_stats --skip_fastqc --skip_adapterremoval
```

For full parameter documentation, see https://nf-co.re/eager/2.4.4/parameters



Other options: A teaser

Trim bases from fastq files (e.g. to remove damage from UDG-half treated libraries)

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta '../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna' --input 'ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input.tsv' --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type 'fastq' --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool 'ug' --gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES --run_bcftools_stats --run_post_ar_trimming --post_ar_trim_front 2 --post_ar_trim_tail 2 --post_ar_trim_front2 2 --post_ar_trim_tail2 2
```

1 For full parameter documentation, see https://nf-co.re/eager/2.4.4/parameters



Other options: A teaser

Adjust mapping parameters (e.g. for single-stranded libraries with lots of damage)

```
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```

For full parameter documentation, see https://nf-co.re/eager/2.4.4/parameters



And much, much more!







Top tips for EAGER success

While our commands are running...



Tip 1: Screen sessions

- Depending on input data, infrastructure, and desired analysis, running nf-core/eager can take hours or even days
- To avoid crashes due to loss of power or network connectivity, try running nf-core/eager in a screen or tmux session



Tip 2: Multiple ways to supply input data

- 1. Wildcards- useful for 'fast' and simple input data
 - a. Same sequencing instrument/configuration
 - b. Stored in a common location
 - c. One file per sample

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta ../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna --input ../data/*fastq.gz
```



Tip 2: Multiple ways to supply input data

- 2. Input tsv files- more powerful!!
 - a. Supplies nf-core/eager with details on input data
 - b. nf-core/eager can 'intelligently' apply analyses to certain files only (e.g. merging for paired end sequencing, poly-G trimming for NextSeq data)
 - Efficient merging of output by library/sample -> useful where there are multiple samples per individual



Tip 2: Multiple ways to supply input data

2. Input tsv files- more flexible!!

What does our tsv input look like?

```
$ cat ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input.tsv
```



Tip 3: Get your report via email

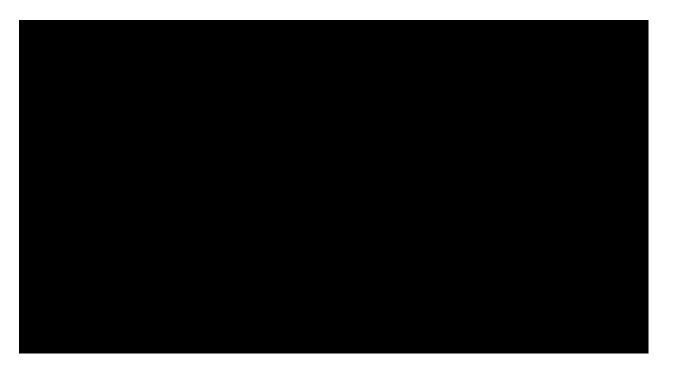
- If your HPC has GNU mail or sendmail setup, get your MultiQC html report delivered via email!
- Also serves as an alert that your run is finally finished

```
$ nextflow run nf-core/eager -r 2.4.4 -dsl1 -profile conda --fasta '../reference/GCF_001293415.1_ASM129341v1_genomic.fna' --input 'ancientMetagenomeDir_eager_input.tsv' --run_bam_filtering --bam_unmapped_type 'fastq' --run_genotyping --genotyping_tool 'ug' --gatk_ug_out_mode EMIT_ALL_SITES --run_bcftools_stats --email 'megan_michel@eva.mpg.de'
```



Tip 4: Check out the EAGER GUI

Go to https://nf-co.re/eager/launch





Tip 5: When something fails... all is not lost!

- When an individual job fails...
 - nf-core/eager will automatically resubmit that job*
 with double the memory and CPUs
 - Can occur up to two times per job
- When the **pipeline crashes**...
 - Resubmit with -resume
 - Nextflow can retrieved cached results from previous steps, as long as the input is the same
 - Saves time and computational resources!





Tip 6: Nextflow Tower (for regular users)

More information here: https://help.tower.nf/22.2/





Output





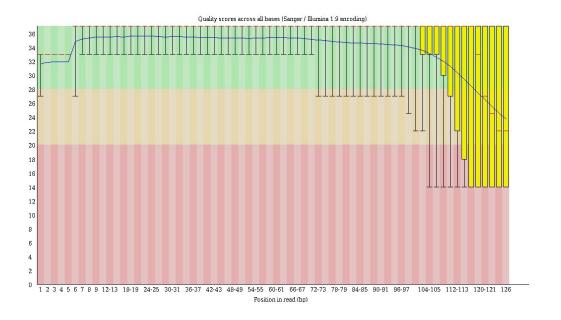


```
[fa/82cda3] process > get_software_versions [100%] 1 of 1 ✓
[e4/82f845] process > multiqc (1) [100%] 1 of 1 ✓
-[nf-core/eager] Pipeline completed successfully-
-[nf-core/eager] MultiQC run report can be found in ./results/multiqc -
-[nf-core/eager] Further output documentation can be seen at https://nf-core/eager/output -
Completed at: 20-Jul-2022 15:37:20
Duration : 1m 20s
CPU hours : (a few seconds)
Succeeded : 26
```



Overview

- Common file outputs for downstream
- How to 'quality control' your run via MultiQC





Output files

Which output files to look for - depends on context!

- Genome reconstruction:
 - o FASTQ: for downstream re-mapping, re-profiling, upload
 - o BAM (de-duplicated): manual inspection, variant calling, damage patterns
 - VCF: for variant calls/genotypes
 - FASTA: for multi-sequence alignment, phylogenetic analysis
- Microbiome reconstruction
 - TSV: for OTU tables
- General: MultiQC!



Output files

```
ubuntu@spaam22fellowsyatesjames-e471c:/vol/volume/2d-introduction-to-nf-core-eager/eager/results$ ls -1
total 64
drwxrwxr-x 3 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:16 adapterremoval
drwxrwxr-x 3 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:48 bcftools
drwxrwxr-x 6 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:46 damageprofiler
drwxrwxr-x 6 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:46 deduplication
drwxrwxr-x 2 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:08 documentation
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drwxrwxr-x 2 ubuntu ubuntu 4096 Jul 25 09:48 genotyping
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But before...

Let's check everything looks 'normal'*

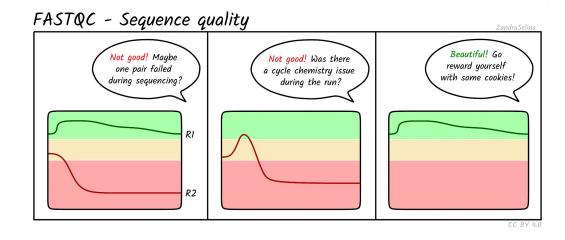
- Did sequencing run go well (moneys worth/sufficient data)?
- Any artefacts (remaining adapters? over-amplification?)
- Sufficient coverage?
- Actually have damage?
- Can we sequence more?
- Contamination?



Your main friend

nf-core/eager documentation!

https://nf-co.re/eager/output



Copy also in output directory of every run!

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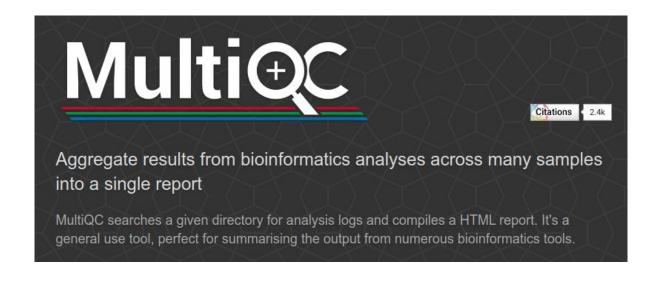
MultiQC



4.0

What is MultiQC?

Witchcraft!





Use for your own projects! multiqc <your_directory>/

Open your MultiQC report

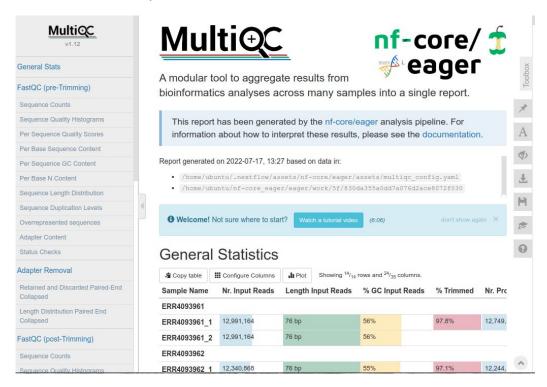
Either go to your file browser, navigate to eager results and double click the multiqc_report.html file (should open your web browser)

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$ cd /vol/volume/2d-introduction-to-nf-core-eager/
$ firefox multiqc_report.html
```

Note: if mail or sendmail is set up on your server/HPC: --email <your>@<email>.com to your nextflow command may see your report in your inbox at the end of the run



First Impressions?







General Stats

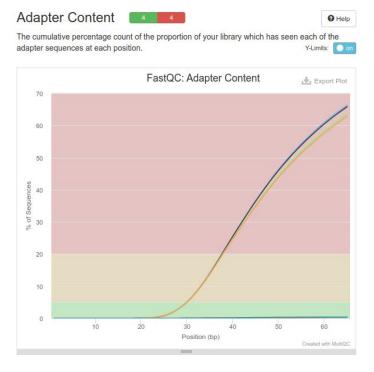
General Statistics

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Sample Name	Nr. Input Reads	Length Input Reads	% GC Input Reads	% Trimmed	Nr. Processed Reads	Length Processed Reads
RR4093961						
RR4093961_1	12,991,164	76 bp	56%	97.8%	12,749,093	60 bp
RR4093961_2	12,991,164	76 bp	56%			
RR4093962						
RR4093962_1	12,340,868	76 bp	55%	97.1%	12,244,864	62 bp
RR4093962_2	12,340,868	76 bp	54%			
RR8958768						
RR8958768_1	12,175,173	54 bp	53%	98.0%	11,946,611	61 bp
RR8958768_2	12,175,173	54 bp	53%			
RR8958769						
RR8958769_1	11,708,235	54 bp	53%	98.0%	11,532,698	60 bp
RR8958769_2	11,708,235	54 bp	53%			
SLZ002						
ZL002						
ZL002_udghal	f					

- Multiple lines per sample!
- General overview
- Look for expected reads
- Look for outliner numbers
- Configure columns to collapse rows per library/sample
 - Multiple lines per sample if: multiple lanes, libraries etc until 'merged' step of pipeline
- Play with custom 'Plots'



Sequencing QC: FastQC



- Z Expected number of reads?
- V Short sequence lengths
 - Early indicator of fragmented aDNA!
- Large fraction of adapter in reads
 - o Early indicator of fragmented aDNA
- High amount of duplicates
- Large or 'early' amount of 'red' (low quality bases) in reads
- Outlier libraries?



Sequencing QC: AdapterRemoval

Nothing to see here **●●***

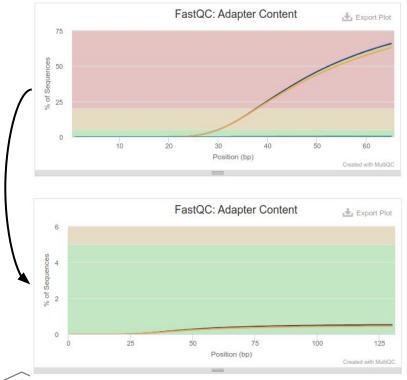
Things to look out for

- Large fraction of reads collapsed
 - Early indicator of fragmented aDNA
- Large numbers of discarded reads
- Peak of read length plot >75bp

(*Plot in latest version of MultiQC version a mess - fixed in upcoming 1.13)

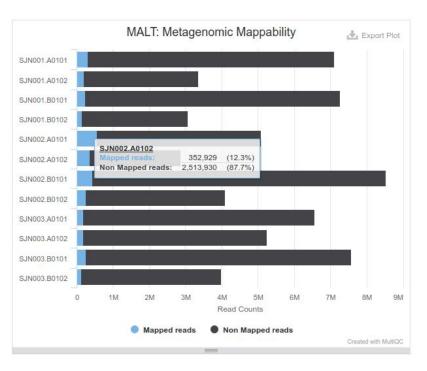


FastQC (post-trimming)



- More 'green' in plots than pre-Adapter Removal
- No remaining artefacts

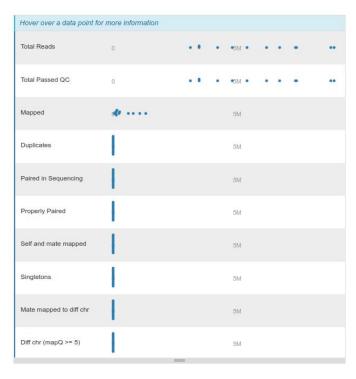
Metagenomic Classification (MALT/Kraken)



- V High mappability ideal!
- Low mappability sort of expected!
 - Database bias, lots of uncharacterised environmental taxa
- Low no. taxonomically assigned reads



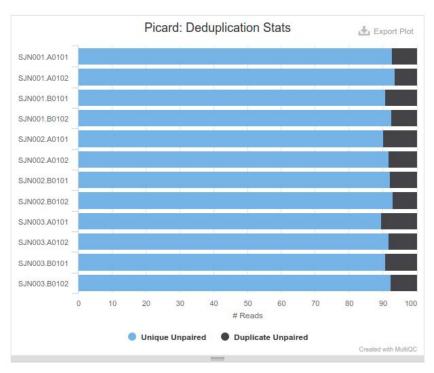
Mapping QC: flagstat



- V High numbers of mapped reads
- Clear outliers in number of mapped reads



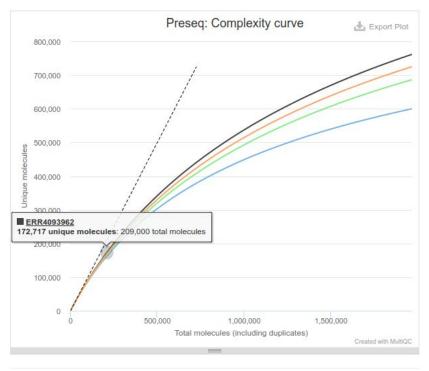
Library QC: Mark Duplicates



- V High numbers of unique reads
- High numbers of duplicates
 - Note: differences between capture/shotgun data



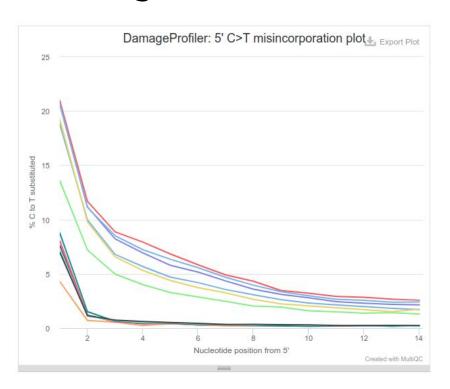
Library QC: preseq



- Follow dashed (theoretical) line
 - o 1:1 ratio unique : total molecules
- <u>I</u> Early plateauing



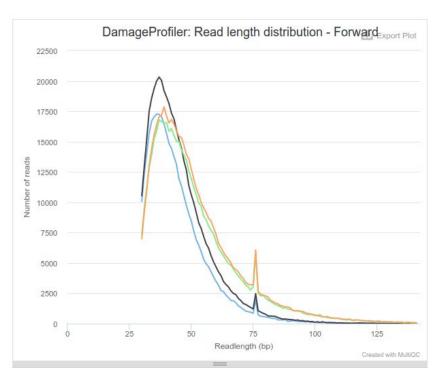
Palaeogenomic QC: DamageProfiler



- ✓ Decreasing curve base 0bp → inside read
 - Note: differences in UDG treatment!
 UDG full: no damage, partial: 1/2bp
 only
- High % values Y axis
- Noisey/bouncy curves
- High frequency across entire read
- Random peaks in middle of read
- \bigwedge Low frequency of C > T / G > A
 - Note: differences between single- and double-stranded libraries!



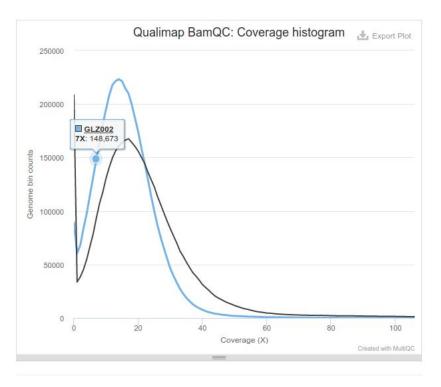
Palaeogenomic QC: DamageProfiler



- Right skew distribution
- Peak low values on x-axis
 - But not too low! <25bp difficult!
- Peak at high values on x-axis
- Multiple (clear) peaks



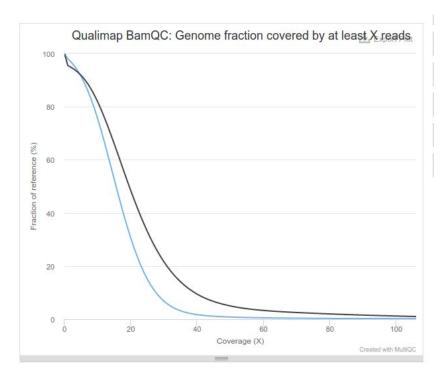
(Palaeo)genomic QC: qualimap



- Single peak at high X Coverage
 >5 pretty good for aDNA
- Multiple peaks/unsmooth curve
- Peak at very low values



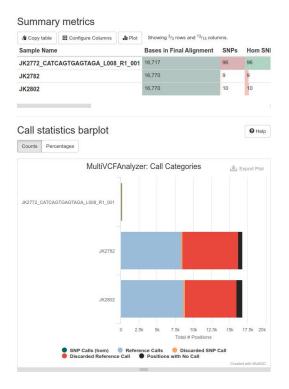
(Palaeo)genomic QC: qualimap



- Varge 'area under the curve'
- High X coverage at high % of reference
- Low % covered



Paleogenomics: (genomic) contamination



- Some/consistent no. homozygous SNPs
- High number of heterozygous SNPs
 - Indicator of cross-contamination
- Outliers of too-high or too-low SNP values
 - Indicators of wrong/too similar reference genome
- High number discarded SNPs



Summary: nf-core/eager output

- Various output formats
 - FASTQ (raw reads)
 - BAM (mapped reads)
 - VCFs (variant calls)
 - FASTAs (consensus sequence)
 - TSV (various, often OTU tables)
- Usage: context dependent!
- nf-core/eager output directories
 - As much choice to user!
 - Output files and raw log files

- MultiQC plots
 - Many plots
 - Takes experience/'feeling' to rapidly evaluate
 - Mostly checking for outliers
 - Be aware of 'failure' reporting often designed for modern DNA!

Read the documentation!

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