Maerl Whole Genome Genotyping Bioinformatics

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1 DNA sequence data and filtering

Maerl DNA was extracted using the Qiagen Blood & Tissue Kit and sent to SNPsaurus for whole genome genotyping. Libraries were sequenced on a paired-end 2x150bp NovaSeq 6000 S4 lane. The raw reads were filtered using Fastp.

Print the number of raw reads for each sample

This code prints the names of all fastq.fz files, calculates the number of reads per sample, and prints both the sample name and the output.

```
ls *fastq.gz | parallel --keep-order 'echo -n "{} "; zcat {} | \
    grep -c "^@NGS"' > rawread_counts.txt
```

Clean raw reads using Fastp

First, prepare a bash script called runFastp.sh that accepts a sample of paired reads and executes Fastp.

Parameter	Description
-q 20	base phred quality $>= 20$
$-\text{trim}_\text{poly}_\text{x}$	perform both polyG (enabled by default) and
	polyX tail trimming
-length-required 100	discard reads $< 100 \text{ bp}$

Second, navigate to the directory containing the raw reads and run the following code. This writes another bash script which sets up the input files for the runFastp.sh script.

```
paste <(ls -1 *R1_001.fastq.gz) <(ls -1 *R2_001.fastq.gz) | \
    awk '{print "bash runFastp.sh", $1, $2}' > ../clean_reads/clean_reads.sh
```

Finally, run the clean reads.sh script.

```
bash clean_reads.sh
```

Print the number of high quality clean read per sample

No. of samples	Total raw reads	Total HQ reads	% Retained
95	1,158,303,200	1,101,098,746	91.5

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2 Whole genome genotyping reference assembly

A de novo reference was assembled from one sample (Mor02) using abyss-pe using standard parameters. The contigs from the reference were run through blastn and any contigs with blast hits to bacteria or other contaminating species were removed. This step was done by the SNPsaurus team.

The output from this step was then run through the purge_haplotigs pipeline following the online tutorial which generated the final FASTA reference (assembly_Mor02_final.fasta).

3 SNP genotyping

3.1 Align reads to reference using bwa-mem2

Index reference

```
bwa-mem2 index assembly_Mor02_final.fasta
```

Prepare a bash script that aligns cleaned reads to the reference using bwa-mem2

```
#!/bin/sh

PROC=8
R1_FQ="$1"
R2_FQ="$2"
ref=/data2/tjenks/maerl_genomics/assembly_pcal/clean_maerl_Mor02_250.fa
clean=/data2/tjenks/maerl_genomics/clean_reads

bwa-mem2 mem -t ${PROC} $ref $clean/${R1_FQ} $clean/${R2_FQ} > ${R1_FQ%_*}.sam
samtools view --threads ${PROC} -b ${R1_FQ%_*}.sam > ${R1_FQ%_*}.bam
samtools sort --threads ${PROC} ${R1_FQ%_*}.bam -o ${R1_FQ%_*}.sorted.bam
rm ${R1_FQ%_*}.sam
rm ${R1_FQ%_*}.sam
```

Navigate to the directory containing the cleaned reads and run the following command to prepare the input files

```
paste <(ls -1 *R1.fastq.gz) <(ls -1 *R2.fastq.gz) | \
    awk '{print "bash x_align.sh", $1, $2}' > ../12.bwa-mem2_alignments/y_input.sh
```

Execute by running bash y_input.sh

Filter alignments and generate stats

Count and print the mapping scores for the alignments (The highest quality score from bwa-mem2 is 60) samtools view input.bam | cut -f 5 | sort -n | uniq -c

```
Filter alignments
```

```
for file in *.bam; do filename="file%.*"; samtools view --threads 6 -f 0x2 -bq 30 file > filename.sorted.filt.bam; done
```

Generate stats

for file in *.filt.bam; do filename="\${file%.*}"; samtools flagstat --threads 6 \$file >
\${filename}.sorted.filt.bam.stats; done

Parameter	Description
-f 0x2	only retain alignments in which paired reads properly aligned
-q	only include reads with a mapping quality of 30
-b	output BAM

Count the number of mapped reads for each sample

```
cat *.stats | grep "mapped (" | awk '{print $1}' > reads_mapped_to_reference
```

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3.2 Call variants using beftools

Create alignment list file

```
ls -1 ../12.bwa-mem2_alignments/*.filt.bam > alignment_list
```

Run beftools mpileup and pipe the output to beftools call

Create a file containing old vcf header and new vcf headers

```
paste <(cat alignment_list) <(ls -1 ../12.bwa-mem2_alignments/*.filt.bam | \
    grep -o -P ".{0,5}.sorted" | sed 's/.sorted//g') > rename_samples
```

Rename vcf headers

bcftools reheader --samples rename_samples -o variant_calls.vcf.rename variant_calls.vcf

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3.3 Filter variants using veftools (*P. calcareum* only)

Filter 1 (remove non-*P.calcareum* and individuals with >50% missing genotypes)

Filter 2 (filter SNPs)

```
vcftools --vcf filter1.recode.vcf --out filter2 --recode --recode-INFO-all \
--minQ 30 --max-missing 0.95 --minDP 8 --maxDP 100 \
--min-alleles 2 --max-alleles 2 --remove-indels --mac 5
```

Filter	Description
-minQ 30 -max-missing 0.95 -minDP 8 -maxDP 100 -min-alleles 2 -max-alleles 2 -remove-indels -mac 5	retain sites with a quality threshold $>=30$ retain sites with $>=95\%$ complete genotypes retain sites with a minimum depth $>=8$ retain sites with a maximum depth $<=100$ retain biallelic sites only exclude indels retain sites with a minor allele count $>=5$
SNPs remaining	19 828

Filter 3 (remove SNPs in linkage disequilibrium)

```
vcftools --vcf filter2.recode.vcf --geno-r2 --min-r2 0.50
```

Example tabular result:

tig_YYY 173 1058 64 1 tig_YYY 173 2675 65 1 tig_YYY 1058 2675 64 0.84					
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tig_YYY 1058 2675 64 0.84	tig_YYY	173	1058	64	1
	tig_YYY	173	2675	65	1
$tig\n \hspace{1.5cm} x \hspace$	tig_YYY	1058	2675	64	0.84
	${\rm tig}\{\rm n}$	X	X	X	X

Extract unique rows of POS1 (column 2) which represent one of the loci in LD to remove from the data set and redirect only the CHR and POS1 columns to a text file

```
cat out.geno.ld | grep -v "^CHR" | cut -f 1,2 | uniq > loci_in_ld.txt
wc -l loci_in_ld.txt
```

Remove LD loci from data set

Filter	Description
-geno-r2 -min-r2 0.50	exclude SNPs with an $r2 > 0.50$
SNPs remaining	15 298

3.4 Filter variants using veftools (introgression data set)

Extract variants among P. calcareum, L. corallioides and P. purpureum

Create a list of individuals to include in the introgression data set. I used the following individuals: Fal01, Fal02, Fal06, Fal07, Fal09, Fal10, Man03, Man04, Man21, Man24, Man28, Mil01, Man44, Mor01, Mor02, Nor01, Roc01, Roc02, Tre01, Tre03, Zar01, Zar02, and all Lcor and Sco samples.

```
vcftools --vcf ../variant_calls.vcf.rename --out introgression \
     --recode --recode-INFO-all --keep ind_to_keep_introgression
```

Filter variants for quality while trying to retain as many SNPs as possible

```
vcftools --vcf introgression.recode.vcf --recode --recode-INFO-all \
    --out introgression.filt --minQ 30 --max-missing 0.90 --minDP 3 \
    --min-alleles 2 --max-alleles 2 --remove-indels
```

Filter	Description
-minQ 30 -max-missing 0.90 -minDP 3 -min-alleles 2 -max-alleles 2 -remove-indels	retain sites with a quality threshold >= 30 retain sites with >= 90% complete genotypes retain sites with a minimum depth >= 3 retain biallelic sites only exclude indels
SNPs remaining	1 477

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4 Extract organelles from DNA sequence data

Extract the mitochondrial and plastid genomes from the clean reads using the programs GetOrganelle and Unicycler. For a guide to analysing NGS-derived organelles see Song et al. (2016). Each organelle extracted was compared to the NCBI GenBank database using blastn to check they matched other maerl species.

Software

GetOrganelle 1.6.4

Bowtie2 2.4.1 (ensure that the path to Bowtie2 version 2.4.1 is specified because GetOrganelle failed with previous versions)

Unicycler 0.4.9b

SPAdes 3.14.0

BLAST+ 2.9.0

Bandage

4.1 Mitogenome

Download DNA sequence data to use as seeds

Species	GenBank ID	Organelle	Locus	Length (bp)
P. calcareum	KF808323		COI partial sequence	651
Lithothamnion sp.	MH281621		Complete genome	25,605

Extract mitogenome from one sample

First, extract target reads using GetOrganelle.

```
get_organelle_from_reads.py -1 read1.fq.gz -2 read2.fq.gz \
    -o output_dir -s Lithothamnion_mitogenome.fasta,Pcalcareum_COI.fasta \
    -F embplant_mt,embplant_mt -t 8 \
    --which-bowtie2 /data2/tjenks/software/bowtie2-2.4.1-linux-x86_64/ \
    -R 50 --no-spades
```

Parameter	Description
-1, -2	forward read, reverse read
-S	sequences for initial seed
-F	target organelle type (embplant_mt, animal_mt, fungus_mt)
-R 50	maximum number of extension rounds
-no-spades	do not assemble reads using SPAdes

Second, assemble the target reads using Unicycler.

```
unicycler -1 filtered_1_paired.fq -2 filtered_2_paired.fq -0 unicycler_assembly \
--mode conservative
```

Lastly, view the assembled contig graph (*.gfa) in Bandage to check for circularity and BLAST the sequence on the NCBI nucleotide database to check sequence similarity.



Figure 1: The complete circular mitogenome of Tre04 visualised in Bandage.

Extract mitogenomes for all samples using bash script

First, prepare a bash script called runGetMitogenome.sh that accepts a sample of paired reads, executes GetOrganelle, and then assembles the target reads extracted from GetOrganelle using Unicycler.

```
#!/bin/sh

PROC=8
R1_FQ="$1"
```

Second, navigate to the directory containing the clean reads and run the following code which writes another bash script that sets up the input files to runGetMitogenome.sh.

```
paste <(ls -1 *R1.fastq.gz) <(ls -1 *R2.fastq.gz) | \
    awk '{print "bash rungetMitogenome.sh", $1, $2}' > ../dir_path/runBash.sh
```

Finally, run the runBash.sh script.

```
bash runBash.sh
```

Notes:

When the organelle genome was manually extracted from the assembly graph in Bandage (on my Windows laptop), the resulting FASTA text file was encoded in Windows. This must be changed in notepad++ to Unix (LF) for it to work with some Unix programs.

Rotate sequences to start at the same position

To rotate all sequences to start at the same position, run the program MARS (Multiple circular sequence Alignment using Refined Sequences) which takes a FASTA file of sequences as input.

```
mars -a DNA -i input.fasta -o rotated.fasta
```

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4.2 Plastome

Download DNA sequence data to use as seeds

Species	GenBank ID	Organelle	Locus	Length (bp)
P. calcareum P. calcareum Lithothamnion sp.	KC819266	Plastid	psbA partial sequence	889
	MH274809	Plastid	rbcL partial sequence	1,322
	MH281627	Plastid	Complete genome	183,822

Extract plastome from one sample

First, extract target reads using GetOrganelle.

```
get_organelle_from_reads.py -1 read1.fq.gz -2 read2.fq.gz -o output_dir \
    -s Lithothamnion_plastome.fasta,Pcalcareum_psbA_rbcL.fasta \
    -F embplant_pt,embplant_pt -t 8 --no-spades \
    --which-bowtie2 /data2/tjenks/software/bowtie2-2.4.1-linux-x86_64/
```

Parameter	Description
-1, -2	forward read, reverse read
-S	sequences for initial seed
-F	target organelle type (embplant_pt, animal_pt, fungus_pt)
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```

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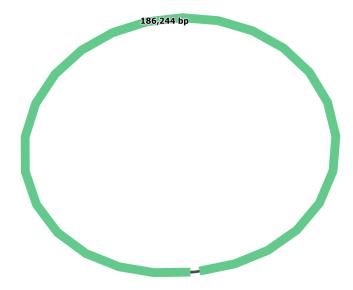


Figure 2: The complete circular plastome of Arm01 visualised in Bandage.

Extract plastomes for all samples using bash script

First, prepare a bash script called runGetPlastome.sh that accepts a sample of paired reads, executes GetOrganelle, and then assembles the target reads using Unicycler.

```
#!/bin/sh

PROC=8
R1_FQ="$1"
R2_FQ="$2"
readDIR=/data2/tjenks/maerl_genomics/clean_reads
```

Second, navigate to the directory containing the clean reads and run the following code which writes another bash script that sets up the input files to runGetMitogenome.sh.

```
paste <(ls -1 *R1.fastq.gz) <(ls -1 *R2.fastq.gz) | \
    awk '{print "bash runGetMitogenome.sh", $1, $2}' > ../dir_path/runBash.sh
```

Finally, run the runBash.sh script.

```
bash runBash.sh
```

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```

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5 Annotate organelles

After extracting an organelle contig, the organelle sequence was used as input to GeSeq, which predicts and annotates the coding sequences (CDS) captured in the organelle assembly. For red algae mitochondria, the NCBI genetic code used for prediction and annotation appears to be transl_table4 (The Mold, Protozoan, and Coelenterate Mitochondrial Code and the Mycoplasma/Spiroplasma Code). For red algae plastid genomes, the NCBI genetic code used for prediction and annotation appears to be transl_table11 (The Bacterial, Archaeal and Plant Plastid Code). For a recent study on the evolutionary histories of red algal organelles see Lee et al. 2018.

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Note

After examining the output of both blastn and GeSeq, I noticed that some samples had the mitogenome or plastome sequence in reverse, which explained why there were large unexplanable differences in pairwise identity between two groups of samples using the ClustalW and Mafft aligners. To get around this, I took the reverse complement of one sequence 'type' (I called this type B) and then re-annotated the reversed sequences so that the gene coding sequences were in the same direction for every sample.

5.1 Mitogenome annotation

Mitogenome sequences were annotated using GeSeq and visualised using OGDRAW. The *Lithothamnion* sp. GenBank record was used as a reference and The Mold, Protozoan, and Coelenterate Mitochondrial Code and the Mycoplasma/Spiroplasma Code was used for annotation. ARWEN 1.2.3 was used to annotate tRNAs.

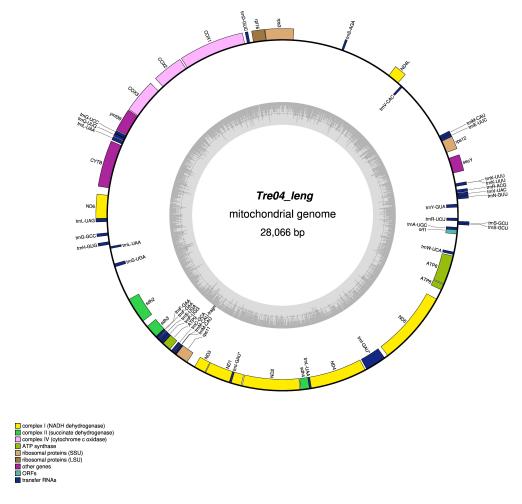


Figure 3: Mitochondrial coding sequences and tRNAs predicted by GeSeq for Tre04.

Align mitochondrial CDS

The coding sequences (CDS) output from GeSeq for each sample was imported into Geneious 6.1.8. The CDS were sorted alphabetically and concatenated to generate one sequence for each sample.

A FASTA file containing the concatenated CDS for each sample was exported and sequence alignment was conducted in Unix using Mafft following the on-screen instructions.

```
module load MAFFT/7.305-foss-2018b-with-extensions mafft
```

Two alignments were generated: (1) Only *Phymatolithon calcareum* samples and (2) All maerl samples. The alignments were then imported into R for tree-building.

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5.2 Plastome annotation

Plastome sequences were annotated using GeSeq and visualised using OGDRAW. The *Lithothamnion sp.* GenBank record was used as a reference and The Bacterial, Archaeal and Plant Plastid Code and the Mycoplasma/Spiroplasma Code was used for annotation. ARAGORN 1.2.38 was used to annotate tRNAs.

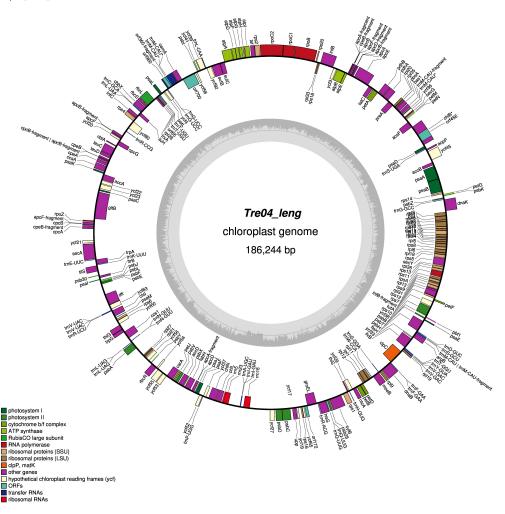


Figure 4: Plastid coding sequences and tRNAs predicted by GeSeq for Tre04.

Align plastid CDS

The coding sequences (CDS) output from GeSeq for each sample was imported into Geneious 6.1.8. The CDS were sorted alphabetically and concatenated to generate one sequence for each sample.

A FASTA file containing the concatenated CDS for each sample was exported and sequence alignment was conducted in Unix using Mafft following the on-screen instructions.

module load MAFFT/7.305-foss-2018b-with-extensions mafft

Two alignments were generated: (1) Only $Phymatolithon\ calcareum\ samples$ and (2) All maerl samples. The alignments were then imported into R for tree building.

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