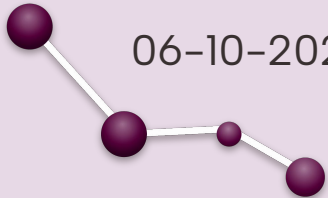




FULL - LENGTH 16S OXFORD NANOPORE TECHNOLOGIES

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Introduction

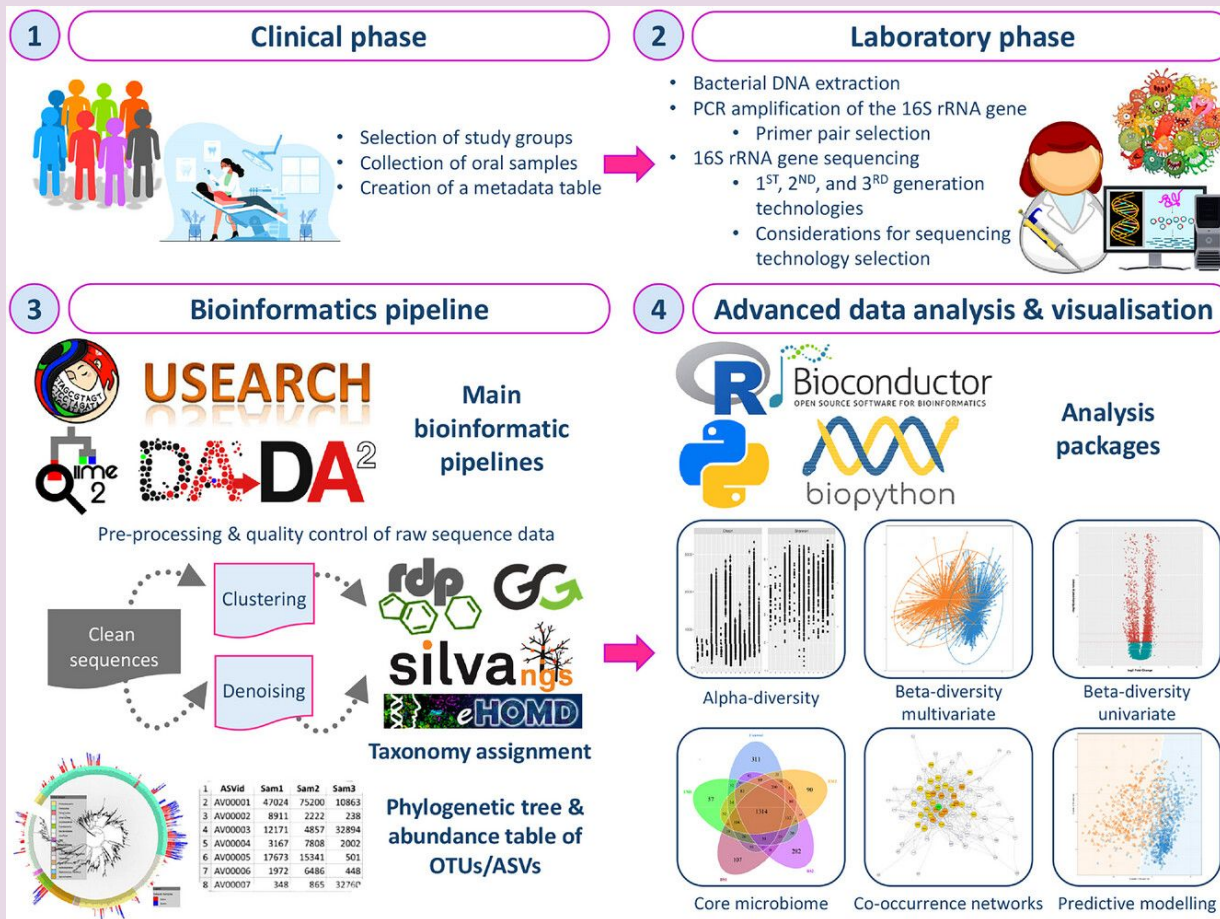
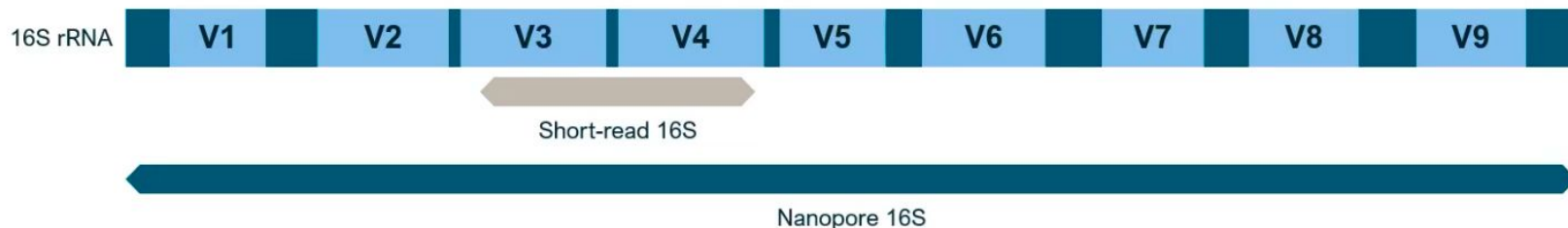


Figure. Summarises the workflow followed in 16S rRNA metabarcoding oral microbiome studies

Why implement nanopore sequencing for 16S analysis?

Full-length 16S rRNA sequencing improves taxonomic resolution of microbial communities



Key features	Sanger	Short-read	Oxford Nanopore
Read length	~500 bp	~150 – 300 bp	~1,500 bp
Resolves polymicrobial samples	✗	✓	✓
High taxonomic resolution ¹	✗	✗	✓
Rapid library preparation	✗	✗	✓
Real-time sequencing	✗	✗	✓

1. Zhang, et al. "The newest Oxford Nanopore R10. 4.1 full-length 16S rRNA sequencing enables the accurate resolution of species-level microbial community profiling." Applied and Environ Microbio 89.10 (2023): e00605-23.

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Advantages



Sample Data

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A comparison between full-length 16S rRNA Oxford nanopore sequencing and Illumina V3-V4 16S rRNA sequencing in head and neck cancer tissues

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Abstract

Describing the microbial community within the tumour has been a key aspect in understanding the pathophysiology of the tumour microenvironment. In head and neck cancer (HNC), most studies on tissue samples have only performed 16S rRNA short-read sequencing (SRS) on V3-V5 region. SRS is mostly limited to genus level identification. In this study, we compared full-length 16S rRNA long-read sequencing (FL-ONT) from Oxford Nanopore Technology (ONT) to V3-V4 Illumina SRS (V3V4-Illumina) in 26 HNC tumour tissues. Further validation was also performed using culture-based methods in 16 bacterial isolates obtained from 4 patients using MALDI-TOF MS. We observed similar alpha diversity indexes between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina. However, beta-diversity was significantly different between techniques (PERMANOVA - $R^2 = 0.131$, $p < 0.0001$). At higher taxonomic levels (Phylum to Family), all metrics were more similar among sequencing techniques, while lower taxonomy displayed more discrepancies. At higher taxonomic levels, correlation in relative abundance from FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina were higher, while this correlation decreased at lower levels. Finally, FL-ONT was able to identify more isolates at the species level that were identified using MALDI-TOF MS (75% vs. 18.8%). FL-ONT was able to identify lower taxonomic levels at a better resolution as compared to V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing.

Keywords Microbiome · 16S ribosomal RNA · Long read sequencing · Head and neck cancer



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In this study, we compared full-length 16S rRNA long-read sequencing (FL-ONT) from Oxford Nanopore Technology (ONT) to V3-V4 Illumina SRS (V3V4-Illumina). More...

Accession	PRJNA1087430
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Submission	Registration date: 13-Mar-2024 - University of Adelaide - ENT BHI
Relevance	16S rRNA on HNC tissue samples

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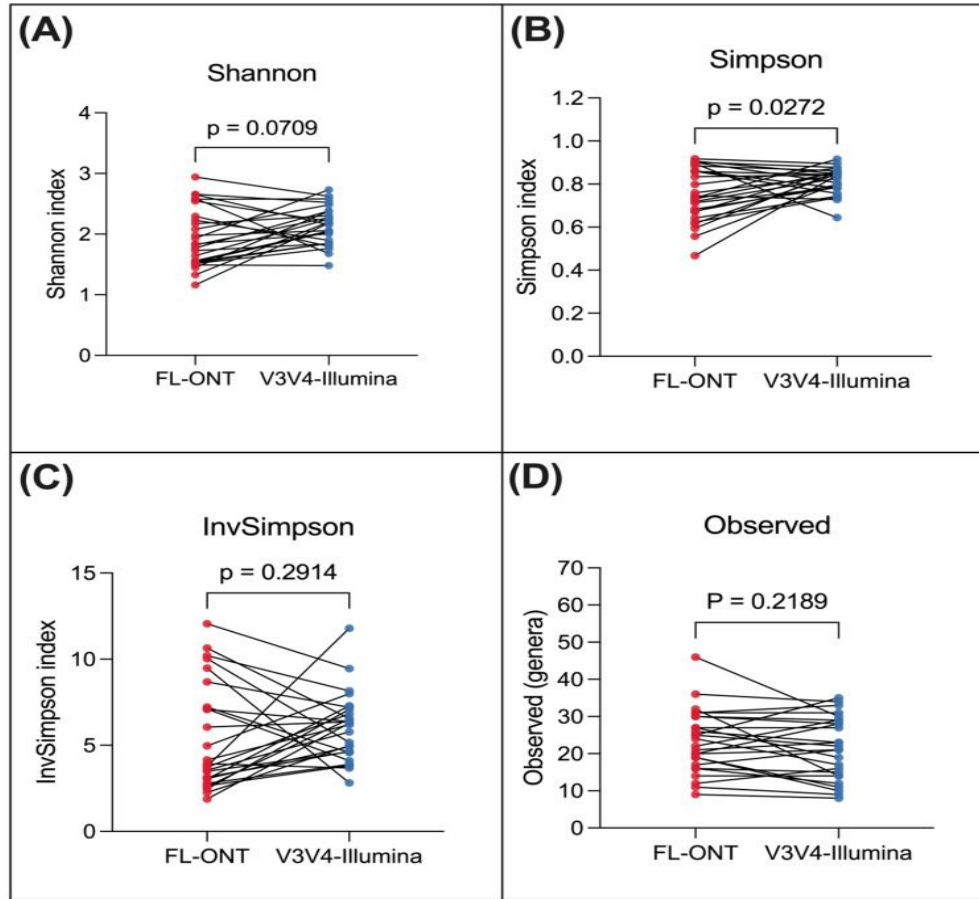
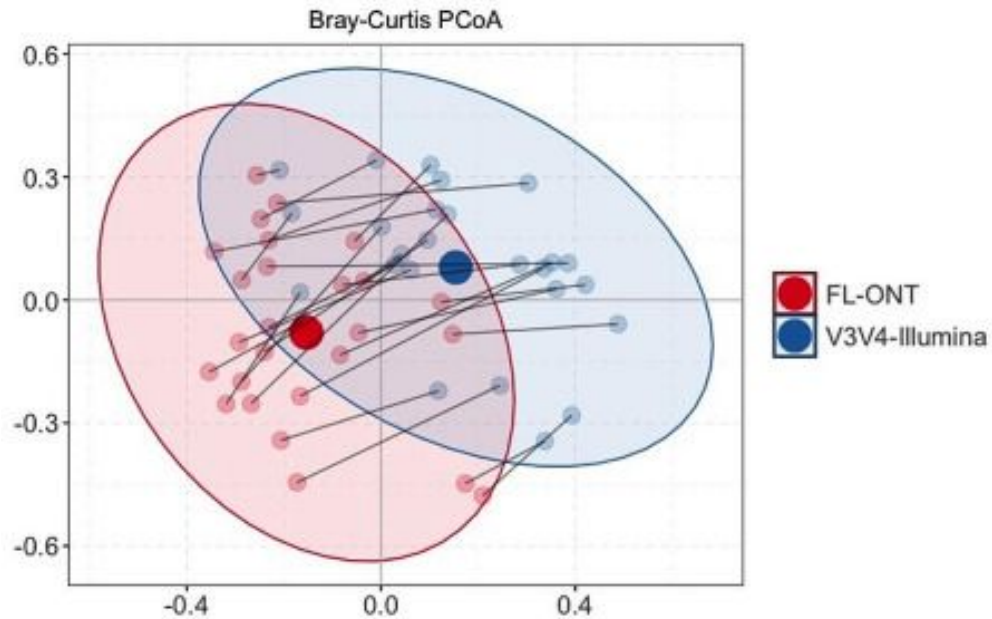


Fig. Paired alpha diversity analysis of FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina at the genus level

The results indicate that both sequencing methods are relatively similar in terms of alpha diversity.



PERMANOVA	R^2	
	0.131	$p < 0.0001$
ANOSIM	R	
	0.332	$p < 0.0001$
W_d	F	
	7.57	$p < 0.0001$

Fig. Paired beta diversity analysis of paired FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing on tissue samples at the genus level.

β-diversity differs between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing at the genus level.

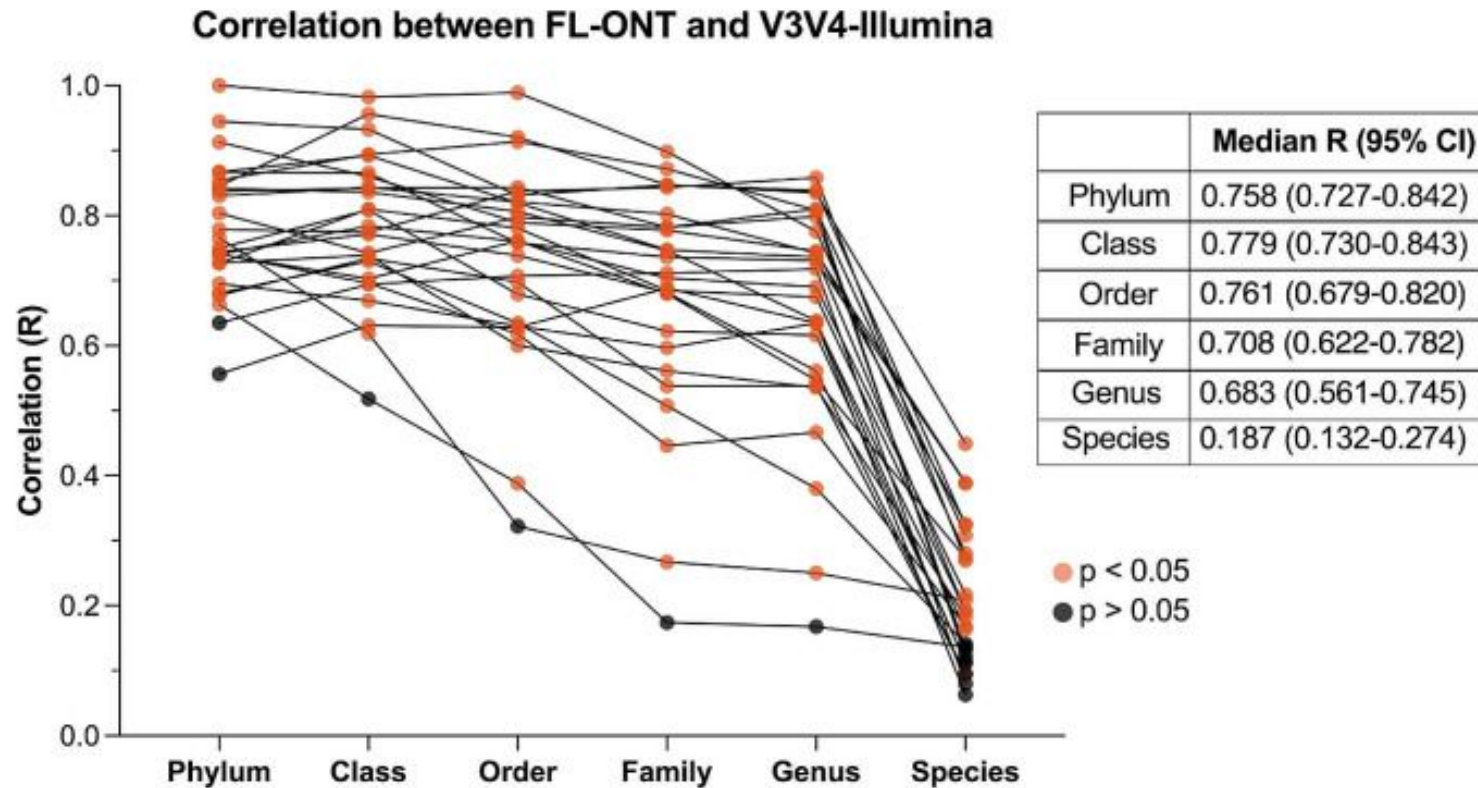
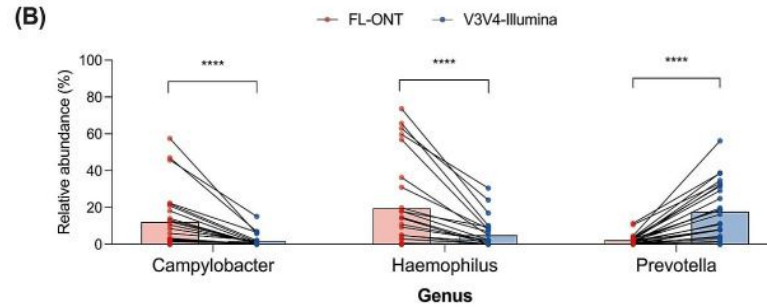
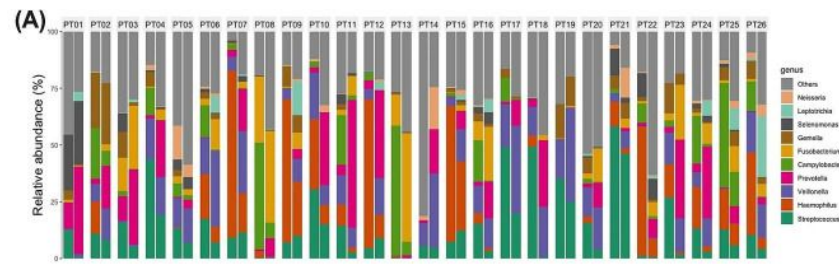


Fig. Correlation in bacterial relative abundance (%) at every taxonomic level between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing.

➔ **Results: At higher taxonomic levels (phylum, class, order, family), the correlation in abundance ratios is high ($R > 0.7$). However, the correlation significantly decreases at the species level ($R = 0.187$).**



The two sequencing methods, FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina, detected bacterial genera with different abundances, with some genera showing significant differences (>10%) in richness between the two techniques.

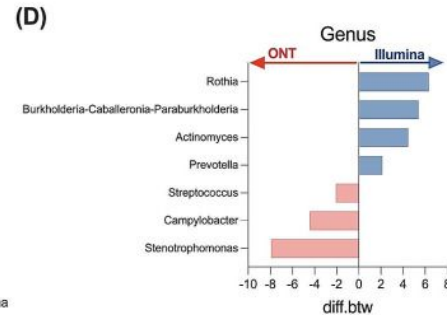
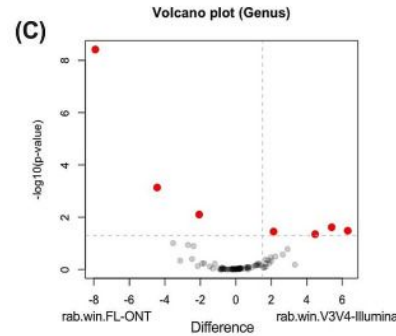


Fig. Comparison of abundance between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing at the Genus level.

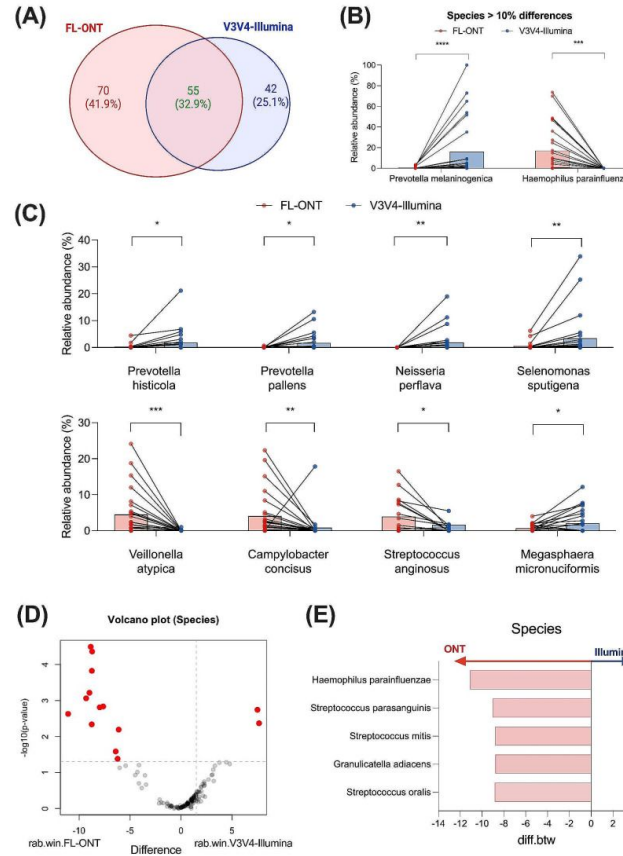


Fig. Comparison of abundance between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina 16S rRNA sequencing at the species level. After agglomerating to species level, a total of 167 species were identified.

Comparing the species between FL-ONT and V3V4-Illumina shows a significant difference in the relative abundance of the species.

Summary

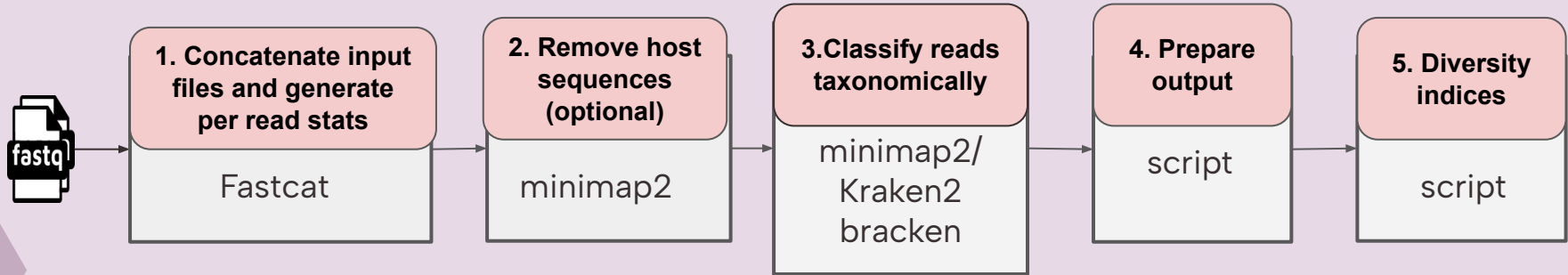
	FL-ONT (Oxford Nanopore Technologies)	V3V4 Illumina (Short Read Sequencing)
Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is a need to identify bacteria at the species level, especially when dealing with many similar or hard-to-differentiate species.• Researching diverse and complex microbial communities.• High accuracy is required for bacterial species identification.• Analyzing samples with low or rare abundance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research requires high accuracy but does not need species-level identification.• Rapid and cost-effective analysis of a large number of samples is needed.• Studying microbial communities at higher taxonomic levels (phylum, class, order).
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole Genome Sequencing• High Detection Capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lower Cost• High Accuracy at Higher Levels• Large Data Output
Disadvantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Higher Cost• Uneven Read Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Limitations in Classification• Inability to Detect Unique Species

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EPI2ME: pipeline wf-16S



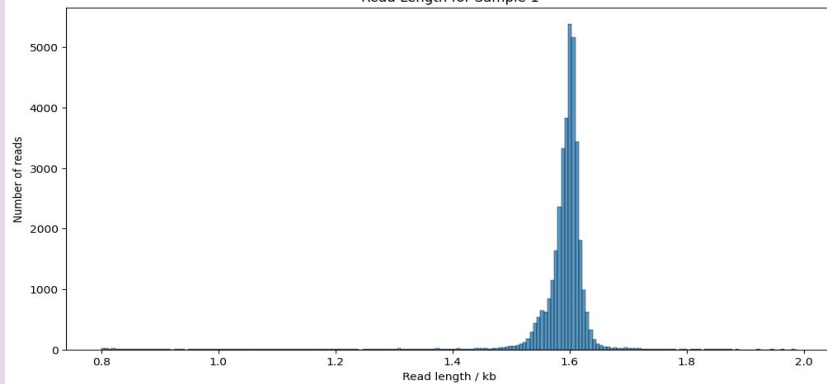
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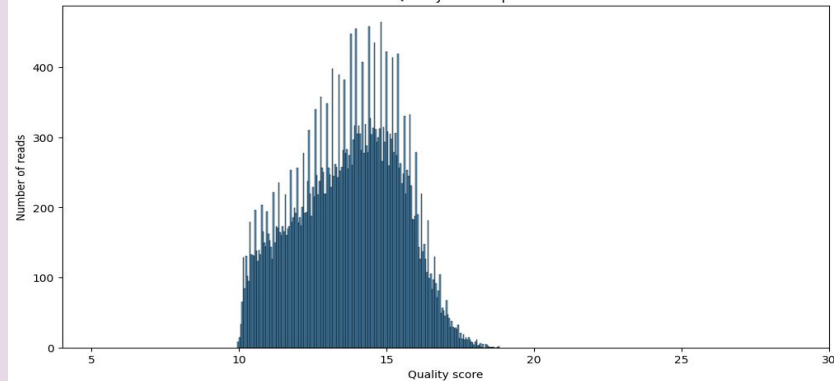
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02	Remove host sequences (optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Input: Host referenceOutput: BAM file of non-host reads
03	Classify reads taxonomically	<p>Kraken2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Input: Concatenated FASTQ, Kraken2 databaseOutput: Classification file (TSV), Report file (TXT) <p>Bracken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Input: Classification file from Kraken2Output: Bracken report file
04	Prepare output	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Input: Classification resultsOutput: Final report and additional summaries
05	Diversity indices	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Input: Taxonomic dataOutput: Diversity metrics and curves

Read Summary

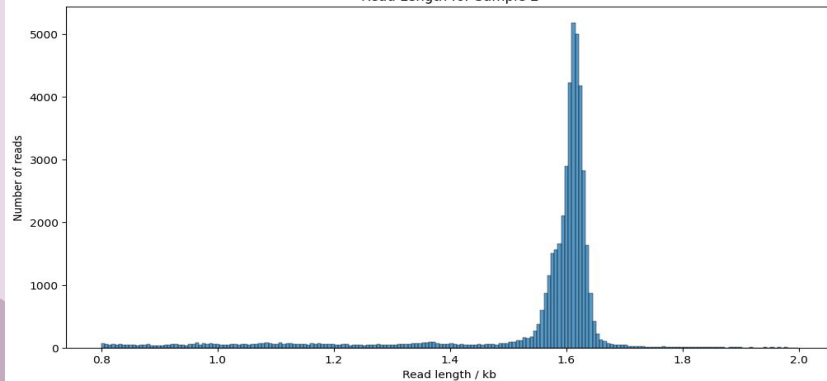
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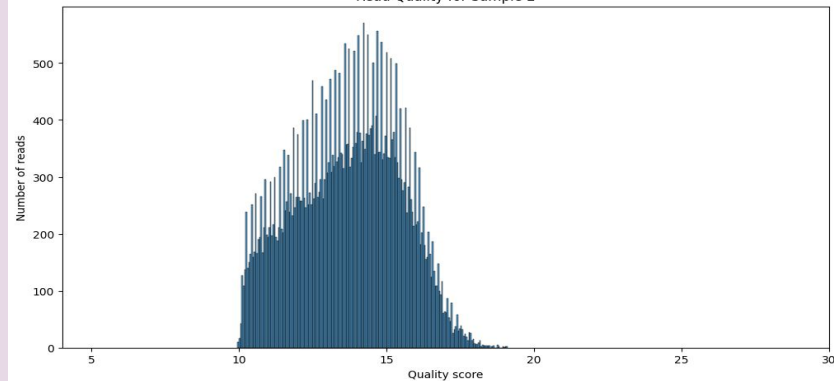
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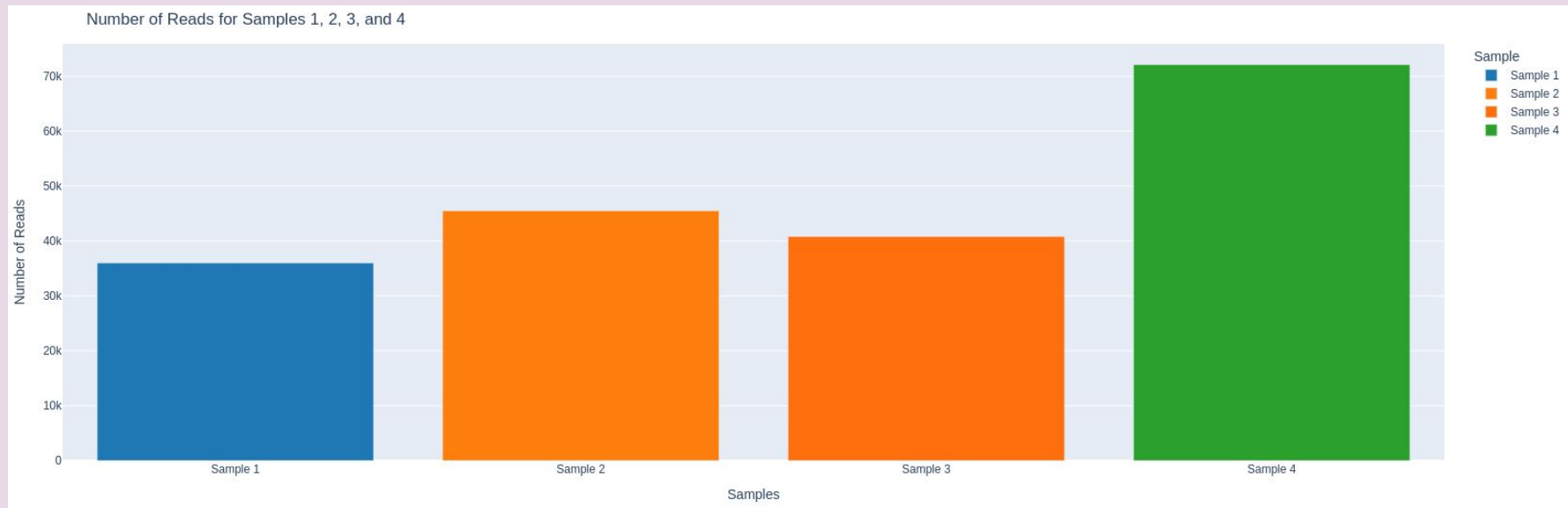
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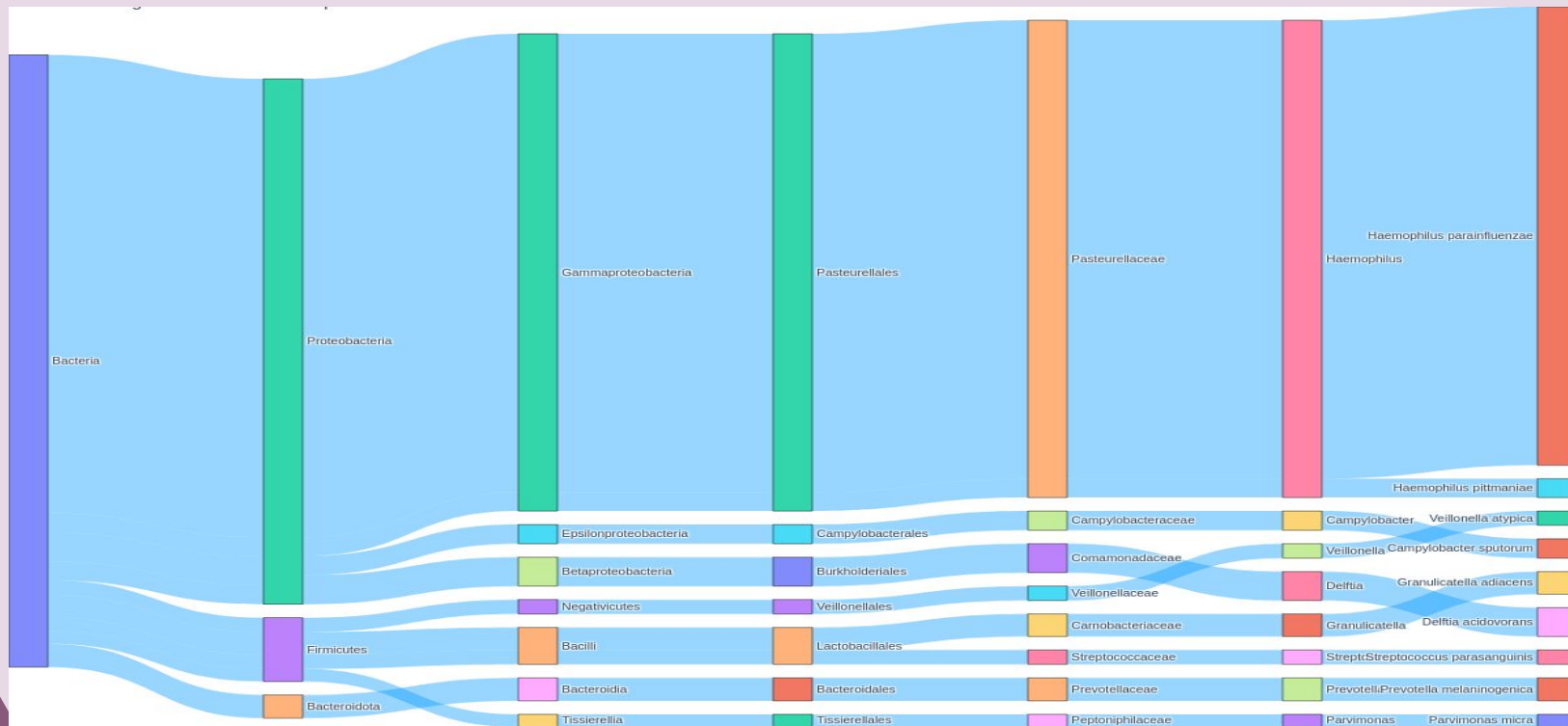
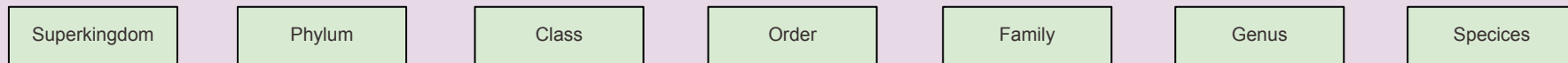
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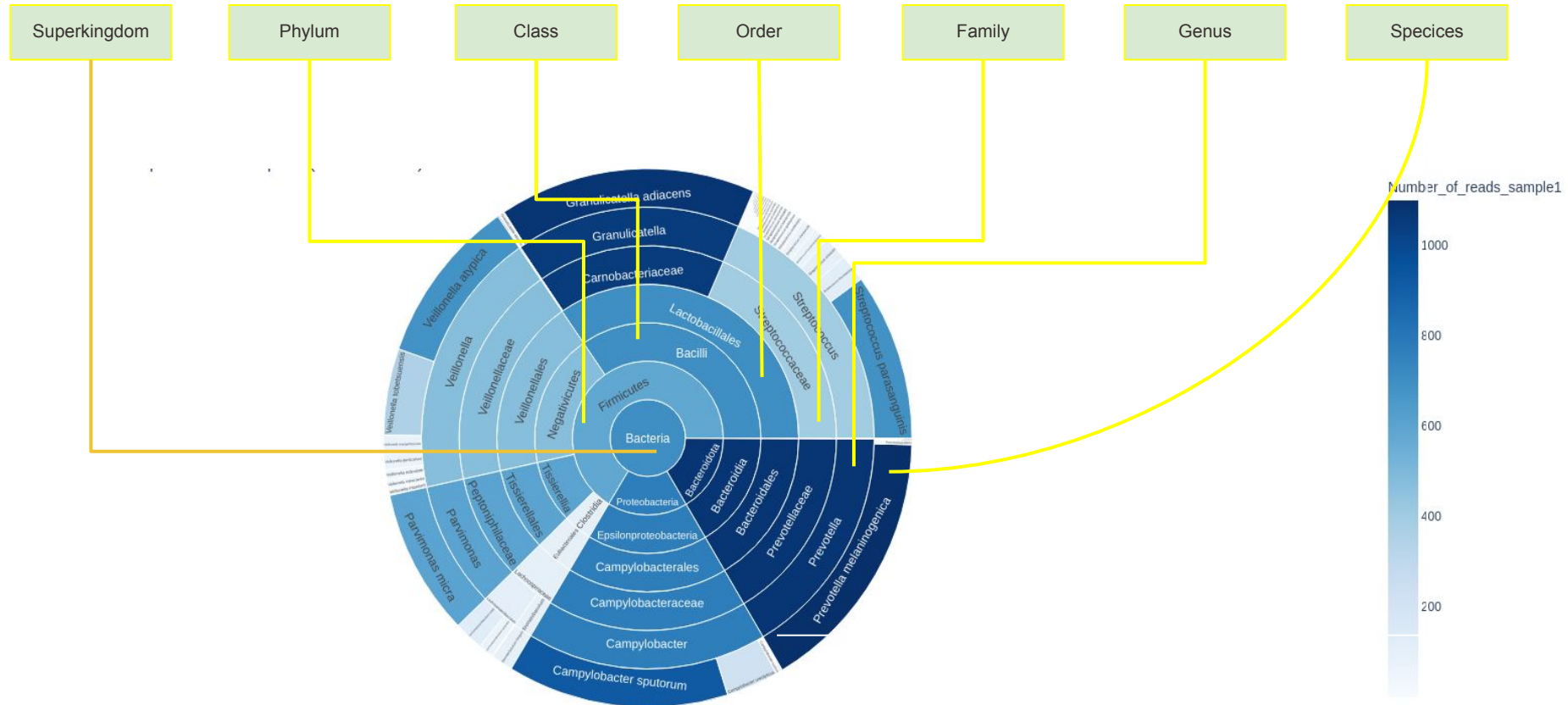
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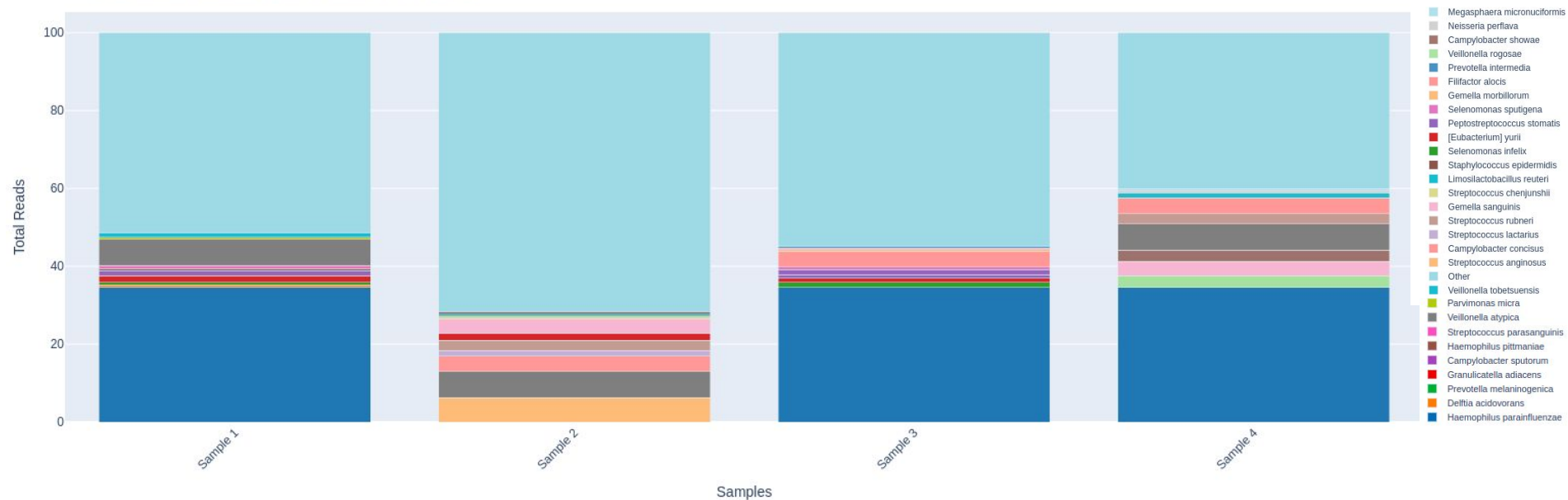


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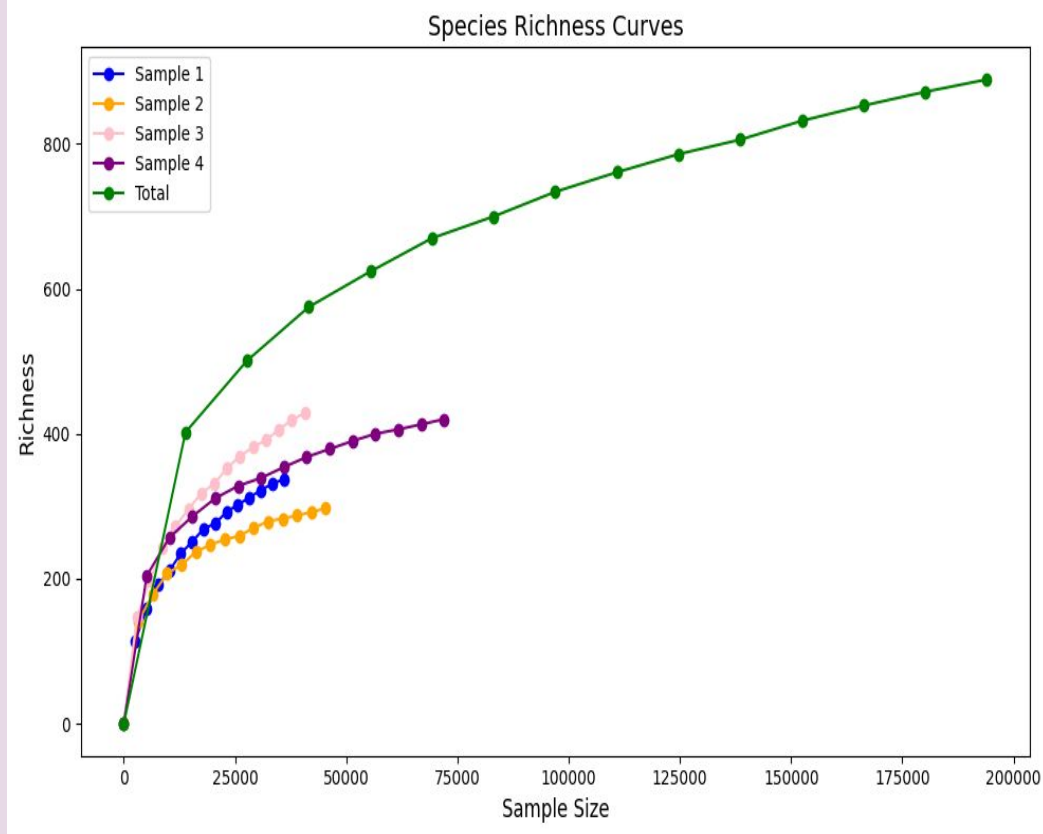


Taxonomy

Top Species Abundance for Samples 1, 2, 3, and 4



Species Richness Curves



Tools

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fastcat	0.18.6	https://github.com/epi2me-labs/fastcat
minimap2	2.28-r1209	https://github.com/lh3/minimap2
Kraken2	2.1.2	https://github.com/DerrickWood/kraken2/archive/refs/tags/v2.1.2.tar.gz
Bracken	2.9	https://github.com/jenniferlu717/Bracken/archive/refs/tags/v2.9.tar.gz
Taxonkit	0.17.0	https://github.com/shenwei356/taxonkit/releases/tag/v0.17.0