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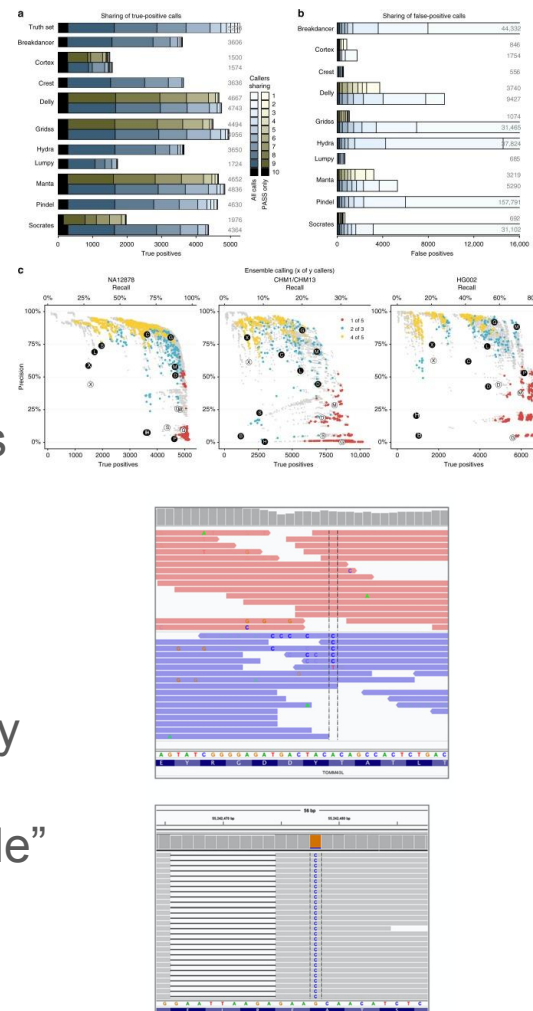
e.g. gene fusions are common (successful!) targets for cancer therapies

- 2) However, **\*High\*** FP + FN rates for short-read SV callers

- 3) Ensemble methods **do not work!**

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- 4) Therefore, the community has a pressing need for quality filters to remove FPs, especially for somatic SVs.  
Otherwise, SV calling will remain dismissed as “unreliable” for clinical care in precision oncology.



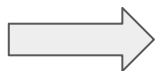
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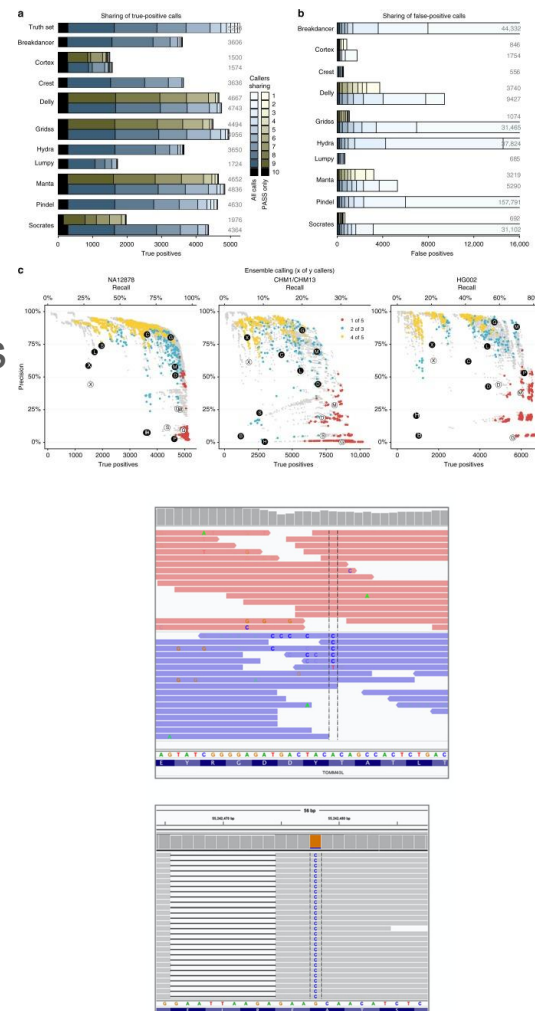
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Sad Fritz



Feeling **AWESOME** Fritz



# GOALS

## 1

**GENERATE  
FP+FN against  
benchmarks**

**HG002** (germline with GIAB  
Truthset)

**COLO829** (germline+somatic  
with Truthset generated from Jose  
Espejo Valle-Inclan. (2020))

DELLY

MANTA

GRIDSS

## 2

**ANNOTATE  
FP+FNs**

	Condition Absent	Condition Present
Negative Result	True Negative	False Negative
Positive Result	False Positive	True Positive

**GRCh37 GENERATED  
TRACKS:**

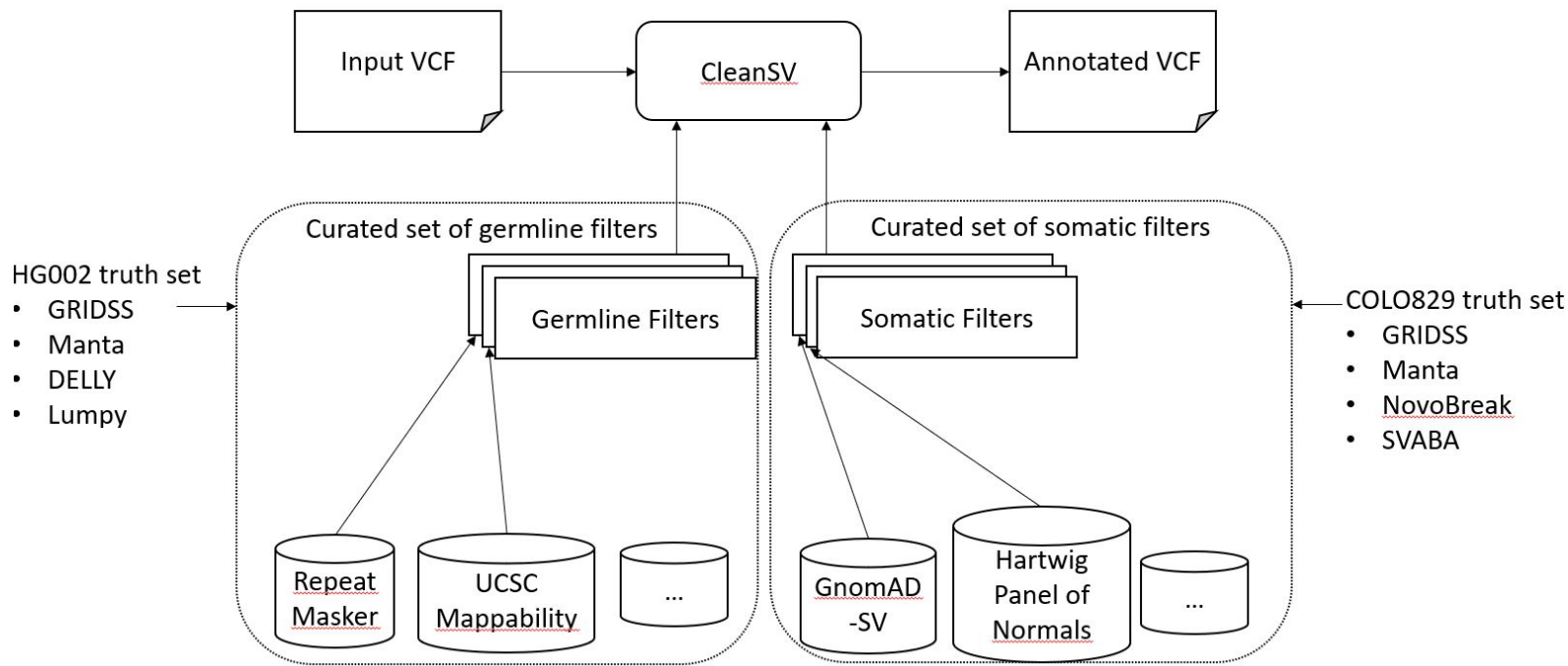
REPEAT/DUSTMASKER  
GC CONTENT  
MAPPABILITY  
MITO CONTAMINATION  
SEGMENTAL DUPLICATIONS  
SIMPLE REPEATS  
MICROSATELLITES

## 3

**CLEAN VCFs  
USING CALLER  
SPECIFIC  
FILTERS**

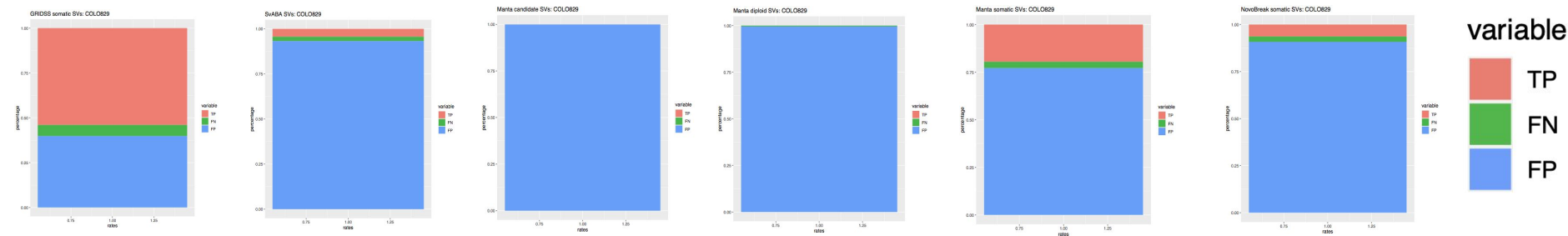


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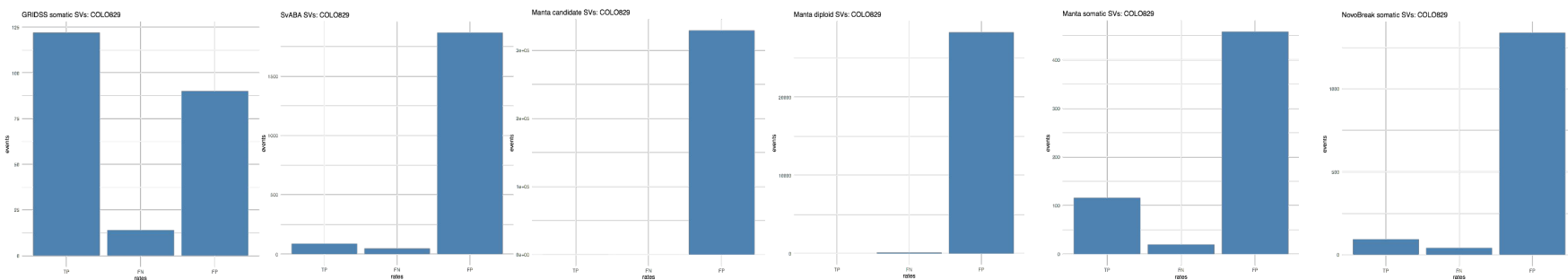


# GOAL 1: SV CALLER FP+ FN, COLO829

PERCENTAGES



RATES



GRIDSS

SvABA

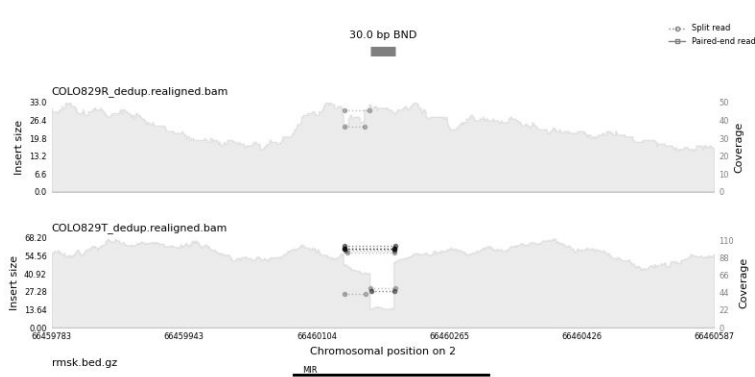
(unfiltered) Manta

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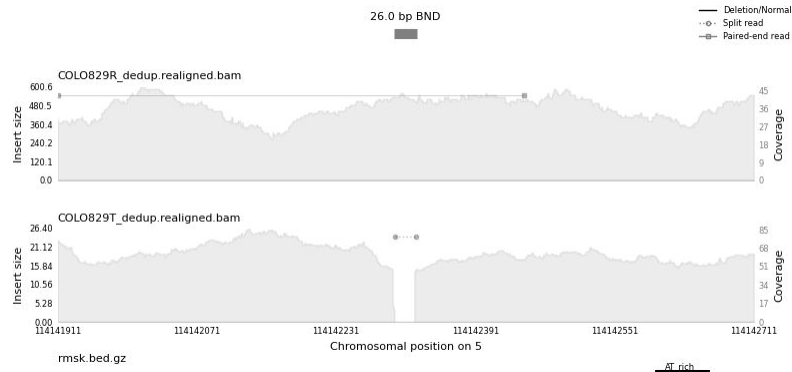
Novobreak

# GOAL 2: ANNOTATIONS OF FP + FN

Sample GRIDDSS FP annotations on COLO829



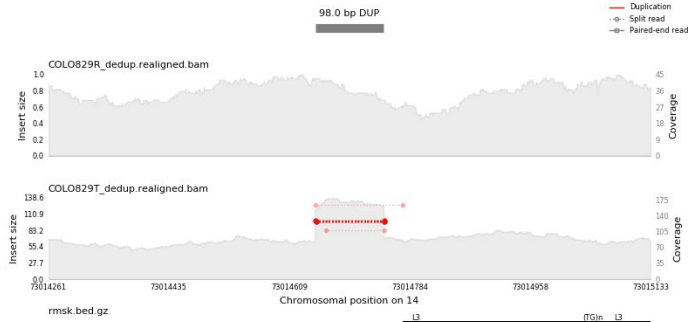
REAL DELETION IN  
TUMOR (read  
evidence, coverage)



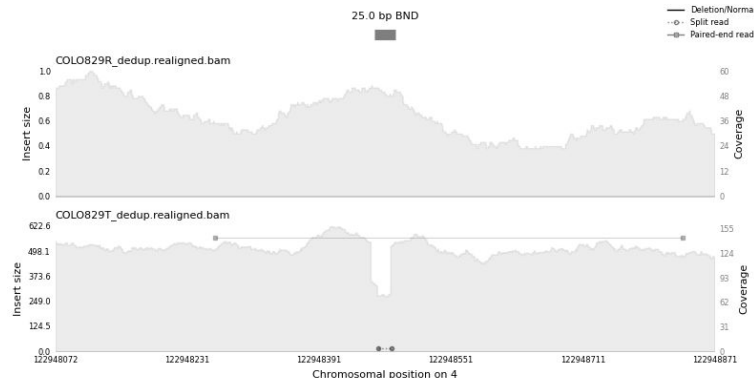
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Sample MANTA FP annotations on COLO829



REAL DUPLICATION IN  
TUMOR (coverage, read  
evidence)

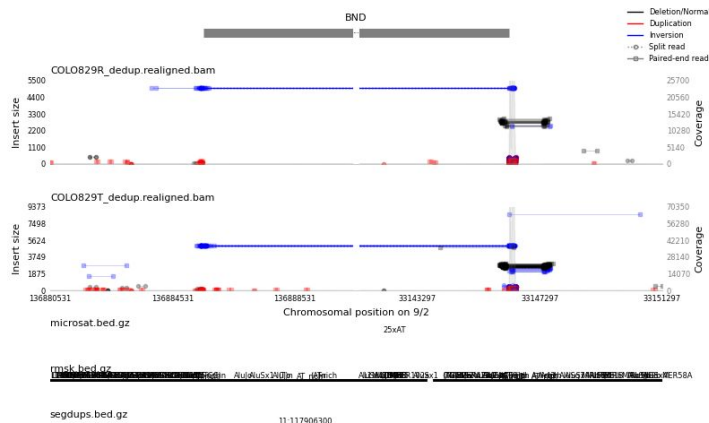


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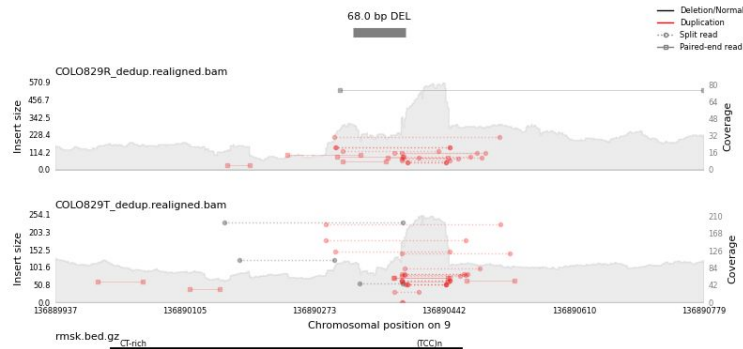


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Sample DELLY FP annotations on COLO829



INVERTED TRANSLOCATION IN  
TUMOR AND NORMAL (insert size  
evidence in both)

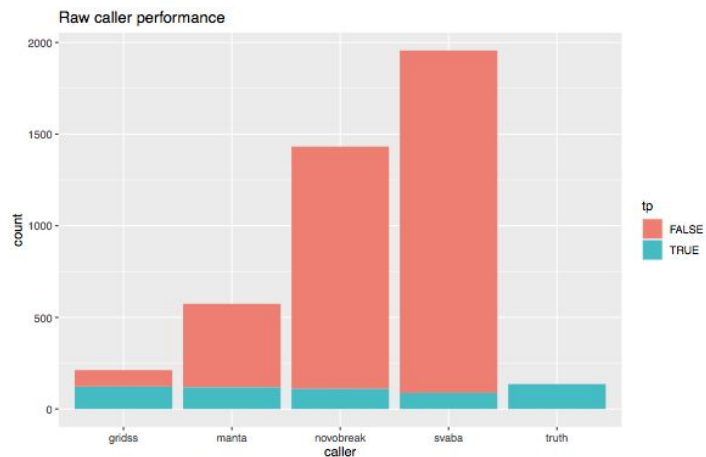


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# GOAL 3: *CleanSV*

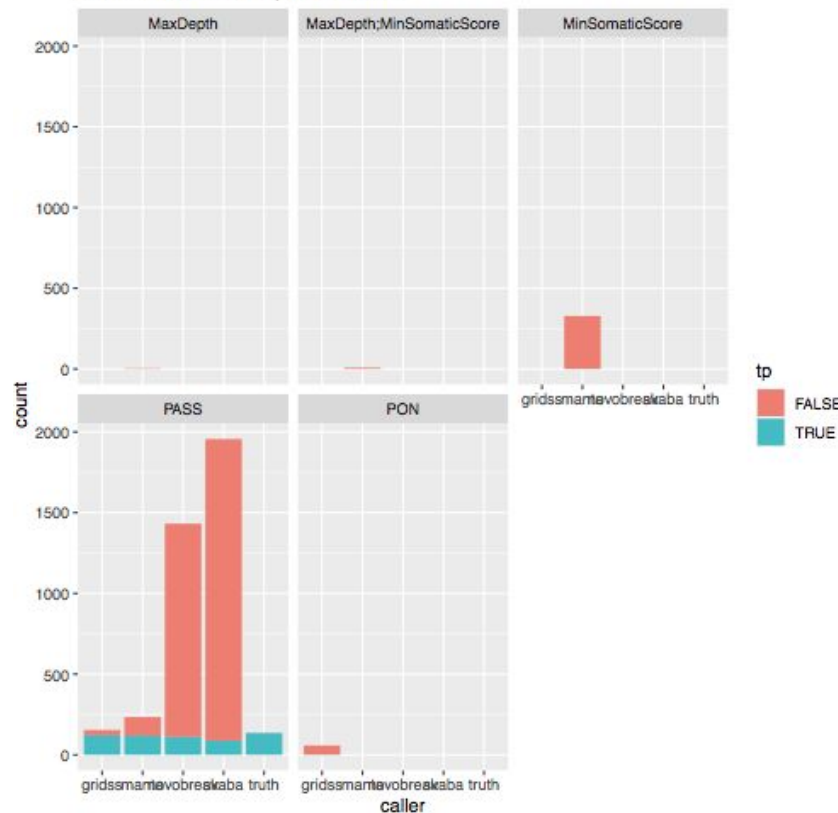
## Construction of filters for somatic callers

COLO829



TP = green  
FP = red

Caller-defined filter performance



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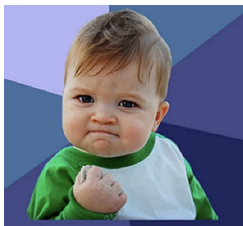


## Construction of filters for somatic callers

COLO829 Truth Set

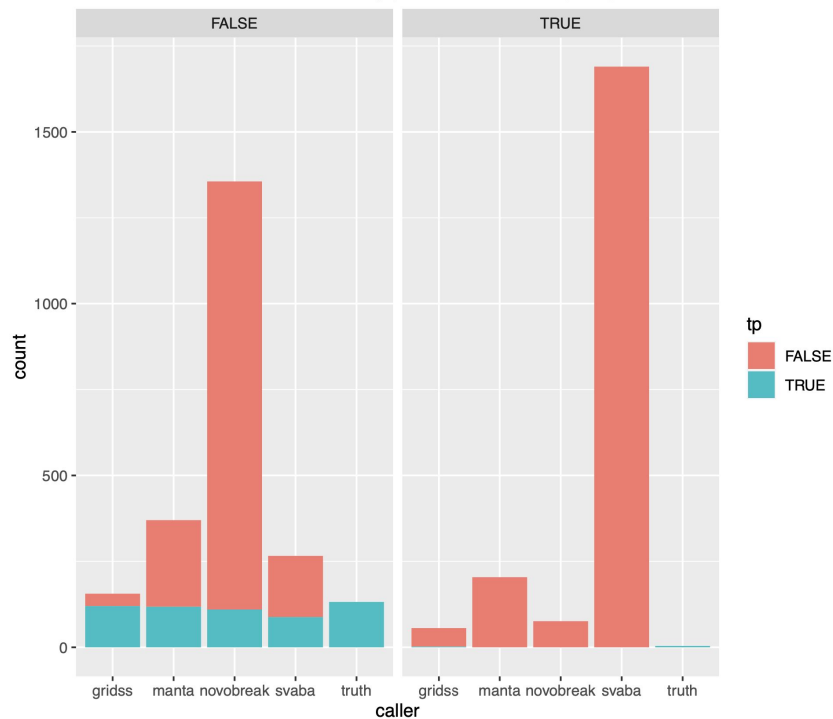
Panel of Normals created with WGS  
Hartwig Foundation freshly sequenced

First pass shows the number of germline  
SVs we are able to filter from the somatic  
SV dataset!



**Success!**

Performance: Filter with Hartwig panel of normals (PoN)



# FUTURE



- Continue to revise filters by specific SV caller and release
  - Include more features such as read depth, tumor purity/ploidy, better PoN
- Explicitly write out guidelines for researchers to do manual FP curation
- Apply to current large consortia datasets!