

Statistics for data from Fig 2h Caillaud *et al* PLoS Biology

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Pre-processing

Marie-Cecille Caillaud (MCC) sent me an Excel file of all the haemocytometry measurements she made - file `raw/MCC-Dan_corrected.xlsx`. The file annotates figures from the same biological replicates as colours which I can't parse programmatically. I therefore added columns to the sheet stating the replicate number. I also removed spaces in column headers and saved the file as `raw/MCC-Dan_corrected_Reps_added.xlsx` and exported the sheet with the data to a csv file `fig_2h_data_manual.csv` which I can operate on programmatically and will use as my input.

Use some Python to get the data file into better shape

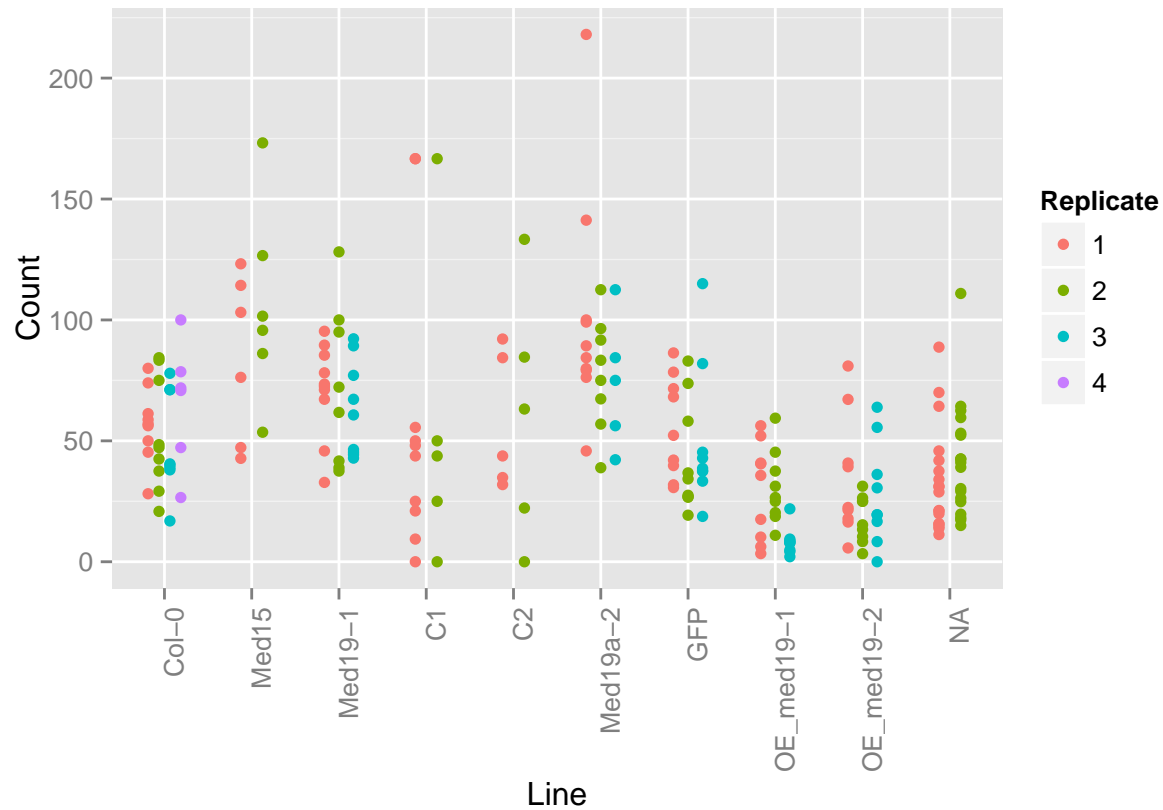
```
header = []
results = []
with open('raw/fig_2h_data_manual.csv', 'r') as file:
    for l in file:
        l = l.rstrip('\r\n')
        a = l.split(',')
        if l.startswith("Rep"):
            header = a
        else:
            for i in range(0, len(header), 2):
                rep, line, count = a[i], header[i+1], a[i+1]
                if rep and line and count: ## if we have no empty values
                    results.append([rep, line, count])

with open('data/reshaped_data.csv', 'w') as outfile:
    outfile.write("Replicate,Line,Count\n")
    for r in results:
        outfile.write(",".join(r) + "\n")
```

Load data, reorder as per Figure 2H and do a straightforward plot

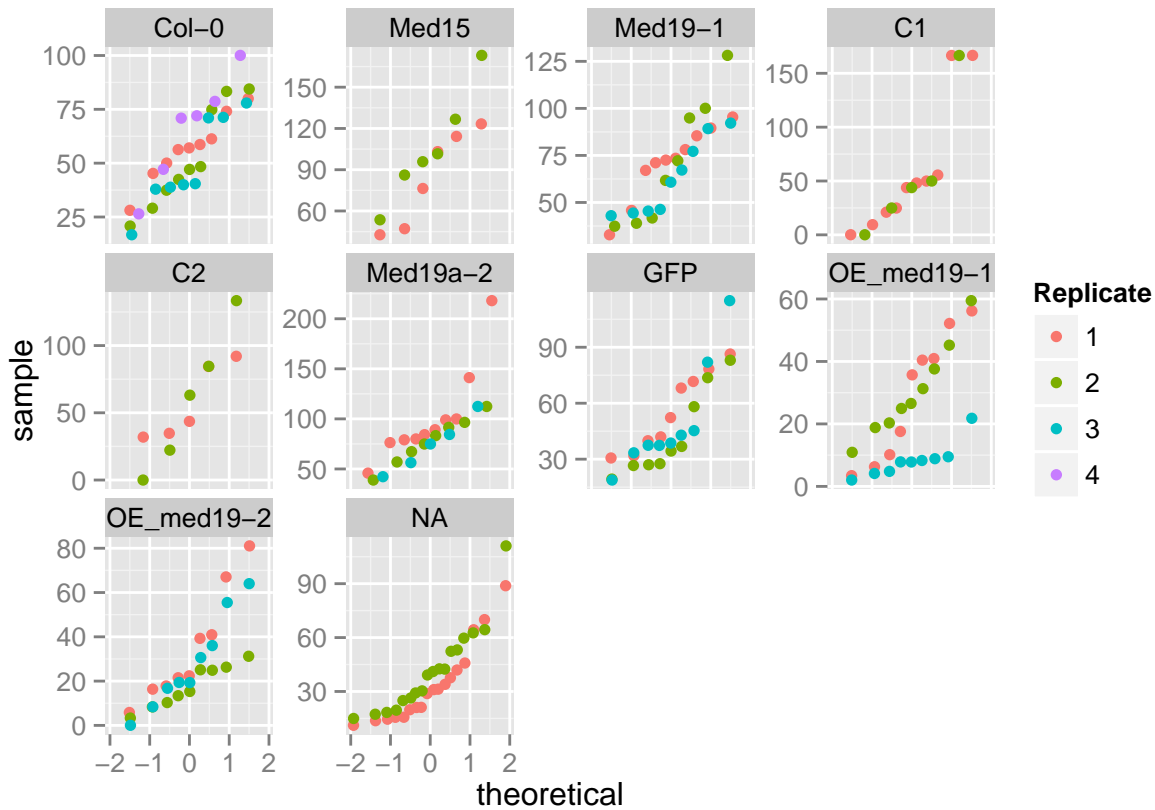
```
library(ggplot2)
data <- read.csv('data/reshaped_data.csv', header=TRUE)
data$Replicate <- as.factor(data$Replicate)
data$Line <- factor(data$Line, c("Col-0", "Med15", "Med19-1", "C1", "C2", "Med19a-2", "GFP", "OE_med19-1", "OE_med19-2"))
basic <- ggplot(data, aes(Line, Count))
scatter <- basic + geom_jitter(aes(colour=Replicate), position = position_dodge(width=0.5)) + theme(axis
scatter
```

```
## ymax not defined: adjusting position using y instead
```



The data look ok, a few outliers in Med19a-2 and C1 that could affect summary statistics. Let's do some qqplots and see how they lie.

```
#qnorm is default distribution - we are testing for a normal distribution
ggplot(data, aes(sample=Count)) + geom_jitter(stat="qq", aes(colour=Replicate)) + facet_wrap(~ Line, s
```



Those outliers could mess up summary statistics, they're off the curve, we have no good reason to ditch them though. I suppose they mean that occasionally the method used (spore counting) throws up some very extreme numbers. Overall these plots are ok, the variation seems normally distributed on the whole.

Let's have a look at summary statistics:

```
library(plyr)
summary <- ddply(data, "Line", summarise, mean=mean(Count), median=median(Count), diff=abs(mean(Count) - median(Count)))
summary
```

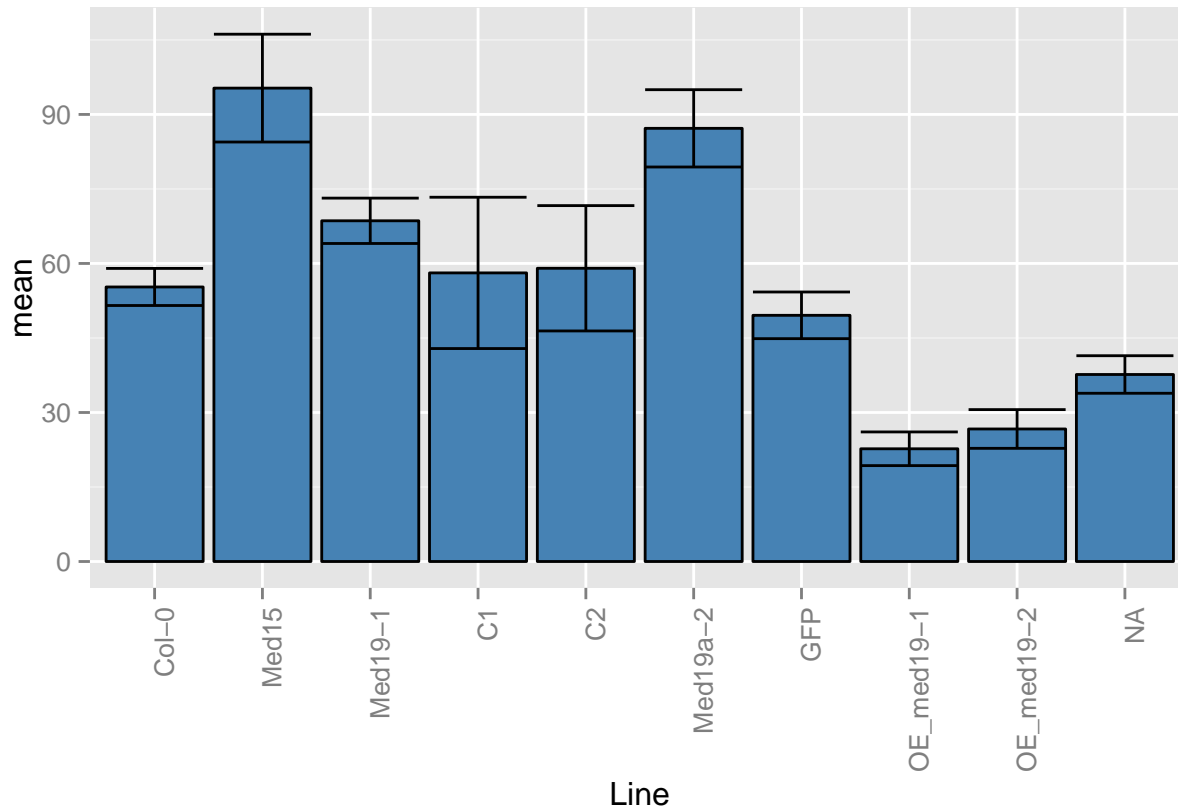
##	Line	mean	median	diff	std_dev	std_err
## 1	Col-0	55.26875	53.125	2.143750	21.11359	3.732392
## 2	Med15	95.30083	98.630	3.329167	37.59931	10.853987
## 3	Med19-1	68.58889	71.140	2.551111	23.73107	4.567046
## 4	C1	58.10267	43.750	14.352667	58.98184	15.229045
## 5	C2	59.03000	53.455	5.575000	39.89419	12.615651
## 6	Med19a-2	87.20130	83.330	3.871304	37.32340	7.782467
## 7	GFP	49.56074	39.770	9.790741	24.40441	4.696630
## 8	OE_med19-1	22.69333	18.750	3.943333	17.61271	3.389568
## 9	OE_med19-2	26.68185	21.430	5.251852	20.25470	3.898019
## 10	<NA>	37.64722	31.115	6.532222	22.67504	3.779174

The summary stats seem fine overall, similar SD and SE and not much drift of the median from the mean, the concern again is Med19a-2 and C1 with the high standard deviation and mean dragged up by that couple of points.

Does a bar chart imply a higher effect than we see generally?

Let's make a bar graph with error bars on that first scatter to see how using a standard bar chart might be misleading our thinking.

```
ggplot(summary, aes(x=Line, y=mean)) + geom_bar(position=position_dodge(), stat="identity", fill="steelblue")
```



The barchart is definitely suggesting a higher overall effect than we see from the individual replicates in the scatter plot for Med19a-2 and C1. My conclusion here is that although the mean is calculated correctly, it's just that the mean is a slightly misleading number to boil our data down to in this case. Also that very slight increase in standard error isn't giving us a clue as to that messy single outlier. Taken together the mean and SE plotted like this convince of us a bigger effect in general so the plot style isn't helpful.

Significance Tests

I need to boil down the data to the biological replicates.

```
library(reshape)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'reshape'
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:plyr':
##
##   rename, round_any
```

```
bioreps <- cast(data, Line~Replicate, mean)
```

```
## Using Count as value column. Use the value argument to cast to override this choice
```

```
bioreps <- melt(bioreps)
bioreps
```

```
##           Line      value Replicate
## X1          Col-0  56.742222         1
## X1.1        Med15  84.476667         1
## X1.2       Med19-1  71.135000         1
## X1.3          C1  58.612000         1
## X1.4          C2  57.394000         1
## X1.5     Med19a-2 101.320000         1
## X1.6          GFP  55.681111         1
## X1.7 OE_med19-1  29.183333         1
## X1.8 OE_med19-2  34.675556         1
## X2          Col-0  52.041111         2
## X2.1        Med15 106.125000         2
## X2.2       Med19-1  71.896250         2
## X2.3          C1  57.084000         2
## X2.4          C2  60.666000         2
## X2.5     Med19a-2  77.763750         2
## X2.6          GFP  42.908889         2
## X2.7 OE_med19-1  30.555556         2
## X2.8 OE_med19-2  17.592222         2
## X3          Col-0  49.311250         3
## X3.1        Med15      NaN         3
## X3.2       Med19-1  62.820000         3
## X3.3          C1      NaN         3
## X3.4          C2      NaN         3
## X3.5     Med19a-2  74.064000         3
## X3.6          GFP  50.092222         3
## X3.7 OE_med19-1   8.341111         3
## X3.8 OE_med19-2  27.777778         3
## X4          Col-0  65.843333         4
## X4.1        Med15      NaN         4
## X4.2       Med19-1      NaN         4
## X4.3          C1      NaN         4
## X4.4          C2      NaN         4
## X4.5     Med19a-2      NaN         4
## X4.6          GFP      NaN         4
## X4.7 OE_med19-1      NaN         4
## X4.8 OE_med19-2      NaN         4
```

I'll do an ANOVA and Tukey's HSD for multiple comparisons.

```
### ANOVA and Tukey's HSD on all pairwise - though really only interested in VS Col-0 the control
fit <- aov(lm(value ~ Line,data=bioreps))
TukeyHSD(fit)
```

```
## Tukey multiple comparisons of means
```

```
##      95% family-wise confidence level
##
## Fit: aov(formula = lm(value ~ Line, data = bioreps))
##
## $Line
##              diff          lwr          upr          p adj
## Med15-Col-0      39.316354    10.229357    68.4033509 0.0045353
## Med19-1-Col-0     12.632604   -13.019716    38.2849241 0.7096161
## C1-Col-0          1.863521   -27.223476    30.9505175 0.9999996
## C2-Col-0          3.045521   -26.041476    32.1325175 0.9999813
## Med19a-2-Col-0    28.398104     2.745784    54.0504241 0.0243390
## GFP-Col-0        -6.423738   -32.076058    19.2285815 0.9903778
## OE_med19-1-Col-0 -33.291146   -58.943466   -7.6388259 0.0065687
## OE_med19-2-Col-0 -29.302627   -54.954947   -3.6503074 0.0191326
## Med19-1-Med15     -26.683750   -57.344137     3.9766366 0.1150995
## C1-Med15          -37.452833   -71.039604   -3.8660626 0.0230374
## C2-Med15          -36.270833   -69.857604   -2.6840626 0.0292616
## Med19a-2-Med15    -10.918250   -41.578637    19.7421366 0.9273692
## GFP-Med15         -45.740093   -76.400479   -15.0797060 0.0017453
## OE_med19-1-Med15 -72.607500  -103.267887  -41.9471134 0.0000079
## OE_med19-2-Med15 -68.618981   -99.279368   -37.9585948 0.0000164
## C1-Med19-1        -10.769083   -41.429470    19.8913033 0.9322777
## C2-Med19-1         -9.587083   -40.247470    21.0733033 0.9636822
## Med19a-2-Med19-1    15.765500   -11.657983    43.1889835 0.5371185
## GFP-Med19-1       -19.056343   -46.479826     8.3671409 0.3125190
## OE_med19-1-Med19-1 -45.923750   -73.347233   -18.5002665 0.0005174
## OE_med19-2-Med19-1 -41.935231   -69.358715   -14.5117480 0.0013572
## C2-C1              1.182000   -32.404771    34.7687708 1.0000000
## Med19a-2-C1        26.534583    -4.125803    57.1949700 0.1186121
## GFP-C1            -8.287259   -38.947646    22.3731274 0.9845255
## OE_med19-1-C1     -35.154667   -65.815053   -4.4942800 0.0185798
## OE_med19-2-C1     -31.166148   -61.826535   -0.5057615 0.0448115
## Med19a-2-C2        25.352583    -5.307803    56.0129700 0.1499194
## GFP-C2            -9.469259   -40.129646    21.1911274 0.9661187
## OE_med19-1-C2     -36.336667   -66.997053   -5.6762800 0.0142627
## OE_med19-2-C2     -32.348148   -63.008535   -1.6877615 0.0346130
## GFP-Med19a-2      -34.821843   -62.245326   -7.3983591 0.0079653
## OE_med19-1-Med19a-2 -61.689250   -89.112733   -34.2657665 0.0000154
## OE_med19-2-Med19a-2 -57.700731   -85.124215   -30.2772480 0.0000357
## OE_med19-1-GFP     -26.867407   -54.290891     0.5560761 0.0571574
## OE_med19-2-GFP     -22.878889   -50.302372     4.5445946 0.1434128
## OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1  3.988519   -23.434965    31.4120020 0.9997776
```

A long table, but it's showing the overexpressers OE_med19-1 and OE_med19-2 are different from the Col-0 control, as is the one with the noted high outliers Med19a-2 and also Med15.

P-Hacking

Let's see how removing those high (≥ 150) outliers affects the p -values, see if any significance we have is coming from one or two atypical data.

```
under_150 <- data[data$value < 150, ]
bioreps_under150 <- cast(data, Line~Replicate, mean)
```

```
## Using Count as value column. Use the value argument to cast to override this choice
```

```
bioreps_under150 <- melt(bioreps_under150)
fit <- aov(lm(value ~ Line,data=bioreps_under150))
TukeyHSD(fit)
```

```
## Tukey multiple comparisons of means
## 95% family-wise confidence level
##
## Fit: aov(formula = lm(value ~ Line, data = bioreps_under150))
##
## $Line
##
```

	diff	lwr	upr	p adj
## Med15-Col-0	39.316354	10.229357	68.4033509	0.0045353
## Med19-1-Col-0	12.632604	-13.019716	38.2849241	0.7096161
## C1-Col-0	1.863521	-27.223476	30.9505175	0.9999996
## C2-Col-0	3.045521	-26.041476	32.1325175	0.9999813
## Med19a-2-Col-0	28.398104	2.745784	54.0504241	0.0243390
## GFP-Col-0	-6.423738	-32.076058	19.2285815	0.9903778
## OE_med19-1-Col-0	-33.291146	-58.943466	-7.6388259	0.0065687
## OE_med19-2-Col-0	-29.302627	-54.954947	-3.6503074	0.0191326
## Med19-1-Med15	-26.683750	-57.344137	3.9766366	0.1150995
## C1-Med15	-37.452833	-71.039604	-3.8660626	0.0230374
## C2-Med15	-36.270833	-69.857604	-2.6840626	0.0292616
## Med19a-2-Med15	-10.918250	-41.578637	19.7421366	0.9273692
## GFP-Med15	-45.740093	-76.400479	-15.0797060	0.0017453
## OE_med19-1-Med15	-72.607500	-103.267887	-41.9471134	0.0000079
## OE_med19-2-Med15	-68.618981	-99.279368	-37.9585948	0.0000164
## C1-Med19-1	-10.769083	-41.429470	19.8913033	0.9322777
## C2-Med19-1	-9.587083	-40.247470	21.0733033	0.9636822
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## GFP-Med19-1	-19.056343	-46.479826	8.3671409	0.3125190
## OE_med19-1-Med19-1	-45.923750	-73.347233	-18.5002665	0.0005174
## OE_med19-2-Med19-1	-41.935231	-69.358715	-14.5117480	0.0013572
## C2-C1	1.182000	-32.404771	34.7687708	1.0000000
## Med19a-2-C1	26.534583	-4.125803	57.1949700	0.1186121
## GFP-C1	-8.287259	-38.947646	22.3731274	0.9845255
## OE_med19-1-C1	-35.154667	-65.815053	-4.4942800	0.0185798
## OE_med19-2-C1	-31.166148	-61.826535	-0.5057615	0.0448115
## Med19a-2-C2	25.352583	-5.307803	56.0129700	0.1499194
## GFP-C2	-9.469259	-40.129646	21.1911274	0.9661187
## OE_med19-1-C2	-36.336667	-66.997053	-5.6762800	0.0142627
## OE_med19-2-C2	-32.348148	-63.008535	-1.6877615	0.0346130
## GFP-Med19a-2	-34.821843	-62.245326	-7.3983591	0.0079653
## OE_med19-1-Med19a-2	-61.689250	-89.112733	-34.2657665	0.0000154
## OE_med19-2-Med19a-2	-57.700731	-85.124215	-30.2772480	0.0000357
## OE_med19-1-GFP	-26.867407	-54.290891	0.5560761	0.0571574
## OE_med19-2-GFP	-22.878889	-50.302372	4.5445946	0.1434128
## OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1	3.988519	-23.434965	31.4120020	0.9997776

Looks good! The same Lines come up as significant - the outliers aren't messing with the overall significance result.

More P-Hacking - ditching data originally in Figure 2H!

According to MCC and JJ then the lines of interest are really the med19-1, Med19a-2, OE_med19-1 and OE_med19-2. Let's do the same tests for the restricted set and see if it substantially affects the result.

```
of_interest <- bioreps_under150[bioreps_under150$Line %in% c("Col-0", "Med19-1", "Med19a-2", "OE_med19-1", "OE_med19-2"), ]
fit <- aov(lm(value ~ Line, data=of_interest))
TukeyHSD(fit)
```

```
## Tukey multiple comparisons of means
## 95% family-wise confidence level
##
## Fit: aov(formula = lm(value ~ Line, data = of_interest))
##
## $Line
##
```

	diff	lwr	upr	p adj
Med19-1-Col-0	12.632604	-12.105257	37.370466	0.4979780
Med19a-2-Col-0	28.398104	3.660243	53.135966	0.0228532
OE_med19-1-Col-0	-33.291146	-58.029007	-8.553284	0.0081105
OE_med19-2-Col-0	-29.302627	-54.040489	-4.564766	0.0188384
Med19a-2-Med19-1	15.765500	-10.680386	42.211386	0.3584632
OE_med19-1-Med19-1	-45.923750	-72.369636	-19.477864	0.0011733
OE_med19-2-Med19-1	-41.935231	-68.381118	-15.489345	0.0024215
OE_med19-1-Med19a-2	-61.689250	-88.135136	-35.243364	0.0000889
OE_med19-2-Med19a-2	-57.700731	-84.146618	-31.254845	0.0001638
OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1	3.988519	-22.457368	30.434405	0.9869299

The result is not substantially different from before, the same lines show up as significantly different, that is Med19a-2, OE_med19-1, OE_med19-2 and Med15 are significantly different from the Col-0 control. Med19-1 is not.

Conclusion

The Med19-2 and Med15 lines get significantly more spores than the Col-0 wild-type and the two over-expressors of Med19 show significantly fewer spores than Col-0. There is no evidence for difference from the wild-type and other lines.

```
## Saving 6.5 x 4.5 in image
## ymax not defined: adjusting position using y instead
```