

# 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 stacked the data and 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

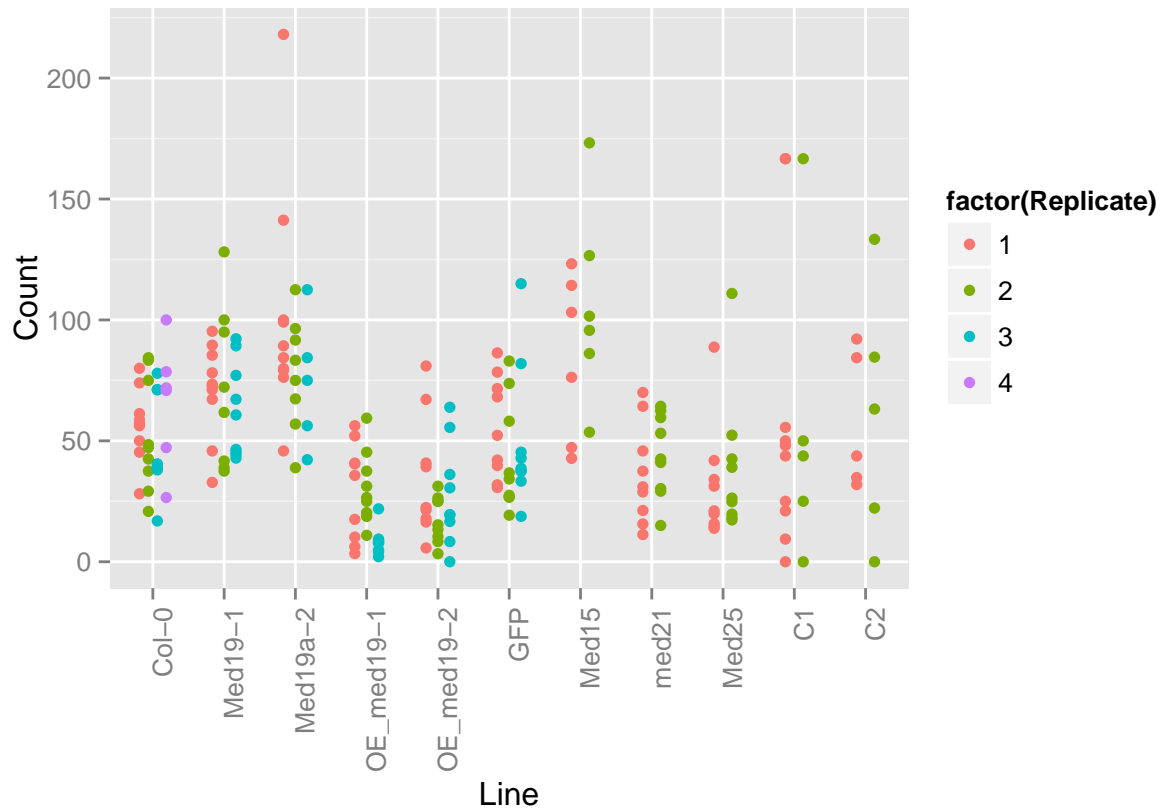
```
header = []
results = []
with open('raw/fig_2h_data_manual.csv', 'r') as file:
    for l in file:
        l = l.rstrip('\r\n')
        a = l.split(',')
        if l.startswith("Rep"):
            header = a
        else:
            for i in range(0, len(header), 2):
                rep, line, count = 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 for our preferred order and do a straightforward plot

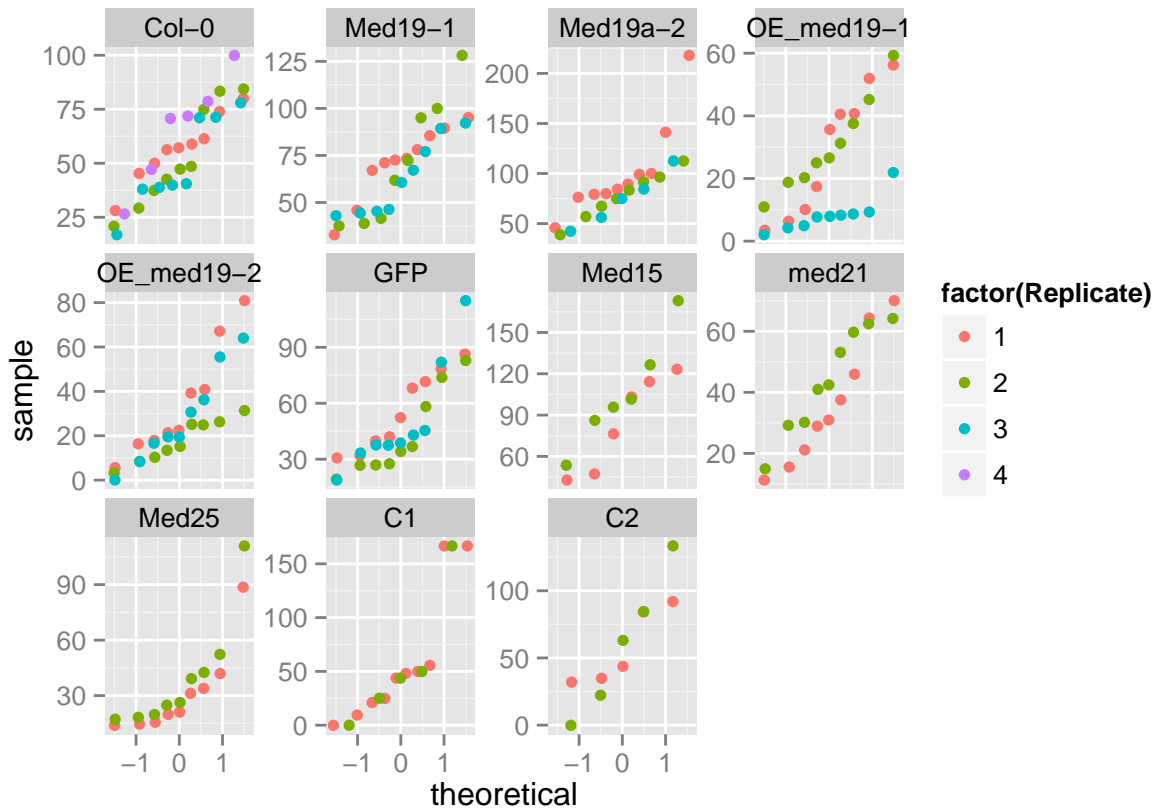
```
library(ggplot2)
data <- read.csv('data/reshaped_data.csv', header=TRUE)
data$Line <- factor(data$Line, c("Col-0", "Med19-1", "Med19a-2", "OE_med19-1", "OE_med19-2", "GFP", "Med15", "Med15a-1", "Med15a-2", "Med15a-3", "Med15a-4", "Med15a-5", "Med15a-6", "Med15a-7", "Med15a-8", "Med15a-9", "Med15a-10", "Med15a-11", "Med15a-12", "Med15a-13", "Med15a-14", "Med15a-15", "Med15a-16", "Med15a-17", "Med15a-18", "Med15a-19", "Med15a-20", "Med15a-21", "Med15a-22", "Med15a-23", "Med15a-24", "Med15a-25", "Med15a-26", "Med15a-27", "Med15a-28", "Med15a-29", "Med15a-30", "Med15a-31", "Med15a-32", "Med15a-33", "Med15a-34", "Med15a-35", "Med15a-36", "Med15a-37", "Med15a-38", "Med15a-39", "Med15a-40", "Med15a-41", "Med15a-42", "Med15a-43", "Med15a-44", "Med15a-45", "Med15a-46", "Med15a-47", "Med15a-48", "Med15a-49", "Med15a-50", "Med15a-51", "Med15a-52", "Med15a-53", "Med15a-54", "Med15a-55", "Med15a-56", "Med15a-57", "Med15a-58", "Med15a-59", "Med15a-60", "Med15a-61", "Med15a-62", "Med15a-63", "Med15a-64", "Med15a-65", "Med15a-66", "Med15a-67", "Med15a-68", "Med15a-69", "Med15a-70", "Med15a-71", "Med15a-72", "Med15a-73", "Med15a-74", "Med15a-75", "Med15a-76", "Med15a-77", "Med15a-78", "Med15a-79", "Med15a-80", "Med15a-81", "Med15a-82", "Med15a-83", "Med15a-84", "Med15a-85", "Med15a-86", "Med15a-87", "Med15a-88", "Med15a-89", "Med15a-90", "Med15a-91", "Med15a-92", "Med15a-93", "Med15a-94", "Med15a-95", "Med15a-96", "Med15a-97", "Med15a-98", "Med15a-99", "Med15a-100"))
basic <- ggplot(data, aes(Line, Count))
scatter <- basic + geom_jitter(aes(colour=factor(Replicate)), position = position_dodge(width=0.5)) + theme_minimal()
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=factor(Replicate))) + facet_wrap(
```



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
```

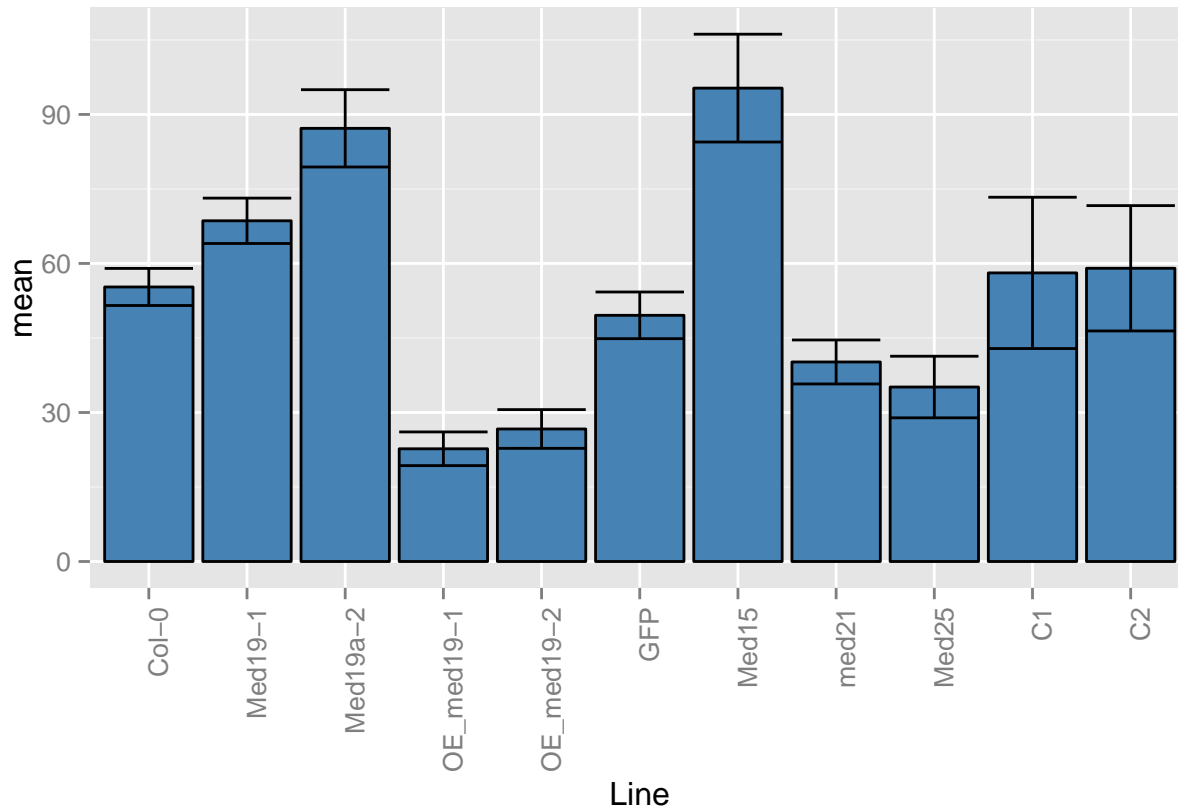
##	Line	mean	median	diff	std_dev	std_err
## 1	Col-0	55.26875	53.125	2.1437500	21.11359	3.732392
## 2	Med19-1	68.58889	71.140	2.5511111	23.73107	4.567046
## 3	Med19a-2	87.20130	83.330	3.8713043	37.32340	7.782467
## 4	OE_med19-1	22.69333	18.750	3.9433333	17.61271	3.389568
## 5	OE_med19-2	26.68185	21.430	5.2518519	20.25470	3.898019
## 6	GFP	49.56074	39.770	9.7907407	24.40441	4.696630
## 7	Med15	95.30083	98.630	3.3291667	37.59931	10.853987
## 8	med21	40.17056	39.285	0.8855556	18.79839	4.430822
## 9	Med25	35.12389	25.580	9.5438889	26.30013	6.199001
## 10	C1	58.10267	43.750	14.3526667	58.98184	15.229045
## 11	C2	59.03000	53.455	5.5750000	39.89419	12.615651

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'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(Count ~ Line, data=data))
TukeyHSD(fit)
```

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

## \$Line		diff	lwr	upr	p adj
## Med19-1-Col-0	13.3201389	-11.354590	37.9948680	0.8045170	
## Med19a-2-Col-0	31.9325543	6.120314	57.7447945	0.0037161	
## OE_med19-1-Col-0	-32.5754167	-57.250146	-7.9006875	0.0012945	
## OE_med19-2-Col-0	-28.5868981	-53.261627	-3.9121690	0.0094382	
## GFP-Col-0	-5.7080093	-30.382738	18.9667199	0.9996113	
## Med15-Col-0	40.0320833	8.069345	71.9948221	0.0030740	
## med21-Col-0	-15.0981944	-42.918188	12.7217988	0.7992672	
## Med25-Col-0	-20.1448611	-47.964854	7.6751321	0.4006612	
## C1-Col-0	2.8339167	-26.712959	32.3807927	0.9999999	
## C2-Col-0	3.7612500	-30.447162	37.9696621	0.9999996	
## Med19a-2-Med19-1	18.6124155	-8.180653	45.4054844	0.4656981	
## OE_med19-1-Med19-1	-45.8955556	-71.594564	-20.1965466	0.0000012	
## OE_med19-2-Med19-1	-41.9070370	-67.606046	-16.2080281	0.0000145	
## GFP-Med19-1	-19.0281481	-44.727157	6.6708608	0.3662911	
## Med15-Med19-1	26.7119444	-6.047993	59.4718815	0.2291335	
## med21-Med19-1	-28.4183333	-57.150699	0.3140321	0.0554495	
## Med25-Med19-1	-33.4650000	-62.197365	-4.7326345	0.0087936	
## C1-Med19-1	-10.4862222	-40.893700	19.9212552	0.9891500	
## C2-Med19-1	-9.5588889	-44.513320	25.3955423	0.9983367	
## OE_med19-1-Med19a-2	-64.5079710	-91.301040	-37.7149021	0.0000000	
## OE_med19-2-Med19a-2	-60.5194525	-87.312521	-33.7263835	0.0000000	
## GFP-Med19a-2	-37.6405636	-64.433633	-10.8474947	0.0004130	
## Med15-Med19a-2	8.0995290	-25.525506	41.7245637	0.9994442	
## med21-Med19a-2	-47.0307488	-76.745700	-17.3157979	0.0000306	
## Med25-Med19a-2	-52.0774155	-81.792366	-22.3624645	0.0000020	
## C1-Med19a-2	-29.0986377	-60.436222	2.2389463	0.0955031	
## C2-Med19a-2	-28.1713043	-63.937793	7.5951848	0.2755097	
## OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1	3.9885185	-21.710490	29.6875275	0.9999902	
## GFP-OE_med19-1	26.8674074	1.168398	52.5664163	0.0319816	
## Med15-OE_med19-1	72.6075000	39.847563	105.3674370	0.0000000	
## med21-OE_med19-1	17.4772222	-11.255143	46.2095877	0.6642257	
## Med25-OE_med19-1	12.4305556	-16.301810	41.1629210	0.9456321	
## C1-OE_med19-1	35.4093333	5.001856	65.8168108	0.0088159	
## C2-OE_med19-1	36.3366667	1.382235	71.2910979	0.0339482	
## GFP-OE_med19-2	22.8788889	-2.820120	48.5778978	0.1311902	
## Med15-OE_med19-2	68.6189815	35.859044	101.3789185	0.0000000	
## med21-OE_med19-2	13.4887037	-15.243662	42.2210692	0.9094081	
## Med25-OE_med19-2	8.4420370	-20.290328	37.1744025	0.9969692	
## C1-OE_med19-2	31.4208148	1.013337	61.8282923	0.0361271	
## C2-OE_med19-2	32.3481481	-2.606283	67.3025794	0.0980800	
## Med15-GFP	45.7400926	12.980156	78.5000296	0.0004655	
## med21-GFP	-9.3901852	-38.122551	19.3421803	0.9928496	
## Med25-GFP	-14.4368519	-43.169217	14.2955136	0.8660148	
## C1-GFP	8.5419259	-21.865552	38.9494034	0.9979139	
## C2-GFP	9.4692593	-25.485172	44.4236905	0.9984645	
## med21-Med15	-55.1302778	-90.320095	-19.9404605	0.0000391	
## Med25-Med15	-60.1769444	-95.366762	-24.9871272	0.0000041	
## C1-Med15	-37.1981667	-73.768498	-0.6278358	0.0423676	
## C2-Med15	-36.2708333	-76.700855	4.1591886	0.1241273	
## Med25-med21	-5.0466667	-36.521396	26.4280627	0.9999867	
## C1-med21	17.9321111	-15.078864	50.9430858	0.7983374	
## C2-med21	18.8594444	-18.381958	56.1008465	0.8601184	

```
## C1-Med25          22.9787778 -10.032197  55.9897525  0.4624844
## C2-Med25          23.9061111 -13.335291  61.1475132  0.5873699
## C2-C1             0.9273333 -37.621180  39.4758467  1.0000000
```

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 ( $\geq 150$ ) outliers affects the  $p$ -values, see if any significance we have is coming from one or two atypical data.

```
under_150 <- data[data$Count < 150, ]
fit <- aov(lm(Count ~ Line,data=under_150))
TukeyHSD(fit)
```

```
##      Tukey multiple comparisons of means
##      95% family-wise confidence level
##
## Fit: aov(formula = lm(Count ~ Line, data = under_150))
##
## $Line
##
##           diff          lwr          upr          p adj
## Med19-1-Col-0      13.320139    -6.610891    33.251169  0.5258190
## Med19a-2-Col-0      25.984432     4.860675    47.108189  0.0040583
## OE_med19-1-Col-0   -32.575417   -52.506447   -12.644386  0.0000139
## OE_med19-2-Col-0   -28.586898   -48.517928   -8.655868  0.0002752
## GFP-Col-0          -5.708009   -25.639039    14.223021  0.9975410
## Med15-Col-0         32.949432     6.291681    59.607183  0.0037754
## med21-Col-0        -15.098194   -37.569814     7.373425  0.5175703
## Med25-Col-0        -20.144861   -42.616481     2.326758  0.1247418
## C1-Col-0           -24.307917   -50.125842     1.510009  0.0853414
## C2-Col-0             3.761250   -23.870619    31.393119  0.9999972
## Med19a-2-Med19-1    12.664293    -9.241825    34.570411  0.7293053
## OE_med19-1-Med19-1 -45.895556   -66.653948   -25.137163  0.0000000
## OE_med19-2-Med19-1 -41.907037   -62.665430   -21.148644  0.0000000
## GFP-Med19-1        -19.028148   -39.786541     1.730245  0.1056068
## Med15-Med19-1       19.629293    -7.652580    46.911166  0.4103521
## med21-Med19-1      -28.418333   -51.626922    -5.209744  0.0043459
## Med25-Med19-1      -33.465000   -56.673589   -10.256411  0.0002471
## C1-Med19-1         -37.628056   -64.089918   -11.166193  0.0003273
## C2-Med19-1          -9.558889   -37.793356    18.675578  0.9905581
## OE_med19-1-Med19a-2 -58.559848   -80.465967   -36.653730  0.0000000
## OE_med19-2-Med19a-2 -54.571330   -76.477448   -32.665212  0.0000000
## GFP-Med19a-2       -31.692441   -53.598559    -9.786323  0.0002308
## Med15-Med19a-2       6.965000   -21.200009    35.130009  0.9992978
## med21-Med19a-2     -41.082626   -65.323207   -16.842046  0.0000053
## Med25-Med19a-2     -46.129293   -70.369873   -21.888712  0.0000002
## C1-Med19a-2        -50.292348   -77.663818   -22.920879  0.0000005
## C2-Med19a-2        -22.223182   -51.311878     6.865515  0.3190343
## OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1  3.988519   -16.769874    24.746911  0.9999274
## GFP-OE_med19-1      26.867407     6.109014    47.625800  0.0018176
```

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## Med15-OE_med19-1      65.524848  38.242975  92.806722  0.0000000
## med21-OE_med19-1      17.477222  -5.731367  40.685811  0.3404375
## Med25-OE_med19-1      12.430556 -10.778033  35.639144  0.8118336
## C1-OE_med19-1         8.267500 -18.194363  34.729363  0.9949865
## C2-OE_med19-1        36.336667   8.102200  64.571134  0.0019963
## GFP-OE_med19-2       22.878889   2.120496  43.637282  0.0176890
## Med15-OE_med19-2      61.536330  34.254457  88.818203  0.0000000
## med21-OE_med19-2     13.488704  -9.719885  36.697293  0.7228484
## Med25-OE_med19-2      8.442037 -14.766552  31.650626  0.9837431
## C1-OE_med19-2        4.278981 -22.182881  30.740844  0.9999855
## C2-OE_med19-2       32.348148   4.113681  60.582615  0.0109372
## Med15-GFP            38.657441  11.375568  65.939314  0.0003510
## med21-GFP           -9.390185 -32.598774  13.818404  0.9651976
## Med25-GFP          -14.436852 -37.645441   8.771737  0.6327817
## C1-GFP             -18.599907 -45.061770   7.861955  0.4469212
## C2-GFP             9.469259 -18.765208  37.703726  0.9912224
## med21-Med15         -48.047626 -77.237150 -18.858102  0.0000116
## Med25-Med15        -53.094293 -82.283817 -23.904769  0.0000007
## C1-Med15           -57.257348 -89.094746 -25.419951  0.0000010
## C2-Med15          -29.188182 -62.513470   4.137107  0.1469392
## Med25-med21         -5.046667 -30.470402  20.377069  0.9999021
## C1-med21           -9.209722 -37.634322  19.214878  0.9933008
## C2-med21          18.859444 -11.222325  48.941214  0.6215967
## C1-Med25           -4.163056 -32.587656  24.261545  0.9999943
## C2-Med25          23.906111  -6.175658  53.987880  0.2630186
## C2-C1              28.069167  -4.588213  60.726546  0.1665859
```

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

```
## Tukey multiple comparisons of means
## 95% family-wise confidence level
##
## Fit: aov(formula = lm(Count ~ Line, data = of_interest))
##
## $Line
##          diff          lwr          upr      p adj
## Med19-1-Col-0    13.320139  -4.3000316  30.94031 0.2301396
## Med19a-2-Col-0    31.932554  13.5000897  50.36502 0.0000429
## OE_med19-1-Col-0 -32.575417 -50.1955872 -14.95525 0.0000108
## OE_med19-2-Col-0 -28.586898 -46.2070686 -10.96673 0.0001502
## Med19a-2-Med19-1  18.612415  -0.5204569  37.74529 0.0607313
## OE_med19-1-Med19-1 -45.895556 -64.2471620 -27.54395 0.0000000
## OE_med19-2-Med19-1 -41.907037 -60.2586435 -23.55543 0.0000000
```

```
## OE_med19-1-Med19a-2    -64.507971 -83.6408434 -45.37510 0.0000000
## OE_med19-2-Med19a-2    -60.519452 -79.6523248 -41.38658 0.0000000
## OE_med19-2-OE_med19-1    3.988519 -14.3630879 22.34012 0.9746800
```

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.