

COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY SOFTWARE AND RESOURCES

PROGRAMMING

Unix Resources

Run UNIX commands online: http://www.compileonline.com/execute_ksh_online.php

R Resources

CRAN R Tutorial: <http://cran.r-project.org/doc/manuals/R-intro.html#The-R-environment>

GUI software: <http://socserv.mcmaster.ca/jfox/Misc/Rcmdr/>

RStudio: <https://www.rstudio.com>

Bioconductor: <http://bioconductor.org>

Python Resources

Python3 (download latest Python release): <https://www.python.org/downloads/>

Python book: <http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english2e/>

Python tutorial: <http://www.learnpython.org>

BioPython tutorial: <http://biopython.org/DIST/docs/tutorial/Tutorial.html#sec3>

Coursera tutorial: <https://www.coursera.org/learn/python>

Anaconda: <https://www.continuum.io/downloads>

Perl Resources

Write and run Perl programs online: http://www.compileonline.com/execute_perl_online.php

Perl tutorial: <http://perlmaven.com/perl-tutorial>

Another Perl tutorial: <http://www.tutorialspoint.com/perl/index.htm>

BioPerl: http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/Main_Page

SOFTWARE DOWNLOADS AND INSTRUCTIONS

General Software for PC Users

Install Perl: <http://www.perl.org/get.html>

Install Cygwin for UNIX capabilities: <https://cygwin.com/install.html>

After installing Cygwin, activate OpenSSH in Cygwin: <http://www.howtogeek.com/howto/41560/how-to-get-ssh-command-line-access-to-windows-7-using-cygwin/>

Install Notepad++: <http://notepad-plus-plus.org/download/v6.6.8.html>

Install Putty (optional): <http://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/download.html>

General Software for Mac Users

Install TextWrangler: <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>

Install Xcode: <https://developer.apple.com/xcode/downloads/>

Linux Users

Presumably, if you use Linux, you have everything you need for basic computational biology.

Sanger Sequence Trace Viewers

4peaks (Mac): <http://nucleobytes.com/index.php/4peaks>

FinchTV (PC): <http://www.geospiza.com/Products/finchtv.shtml>

ApE Plasmid Editor (PC or Mac. More functionality than 4peaks or FinchTV but less intuitive): <http://biologylabs.utah.edu/jorgensen/wayned/ape/>

SeqTrace (PC, Mac. Requires Python): <https://code.google.com/p/seqtrace/>

FTP and SFTP Browsers

Cyberduck: <https://cyberduck.io/?l=en>

FileZilla: <https://filezilla-project.org>

Next-Gen Sequencing and Data Visualization

General Next-Gen sequencing data processing and quality control

FastQC (for FASTQ file quality control): <http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/>

FASTX Toolkit (for data processing): http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit/

Trimmomatic (for FASTQ read trimming): <http://www.usadellab.org/cms/?page=trimmomatic>

Bowtie2 (for sequence alignment): <http://bowtie-bio.sourceforge.net/bowtie2/index.shtml>

BWA (for sequence alignment): <http://bio-bwa.sourceforge.net>

SAM Tools (for searching and manipulating sequence alignments): <http://samtools.sourceforge.net>

Picard Tools (for manipulation of sequence and alignment files): <http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard/>

bedtools (for manipulation of sequence and alignment files): <http://bedtools.readthedocs.org/en/latest/>

RNA-seq

TopHat (for mapping reads across splice junctions): <http://ccb.jhu.edu/software/tophat/index.shtml>

Cufflinks and cuffdiff (for RNA-seq data analysis): <http://cufflinks.cbc.umd.edu>

CummeRbund (for plotting Cufflinks results; an R package): http://compbio.mit.edu/cummeRbund/manual_2_0.html

DESeq (alternative to cuffdiff for differential gene expression analysis; an R package): <http://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/DESeq.html>

Trinity (for de-novo transcript assembly): <https://github.com/trinityrnaseq/trinityrnaseq/wiki>

Corset (for differential gene expression without a reference genome): <https://github.com/Oshlack/Corset/wiki>

- Corset-based example pipeline for differential gene expression without a reference genome: <https://github.com/Oshlack/Corset/wiki/Example>
- Homebrew (to facilitate software installation on Macs - may need for Corset installation on a Mac): <http://brew.sh>

edgeR (for differential gene expression analysis; requires R and bioconductor, see link above): <https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/edgeR.html>

Genome assembly (examples of short-read assemblers)

ALLPATHS: <http://www.broadinstitute.org/software/allpaths-lg/blog/>

MaSuRCA: <http://www.genome.umd.edu/masurca.html>

SOAPdenovo: <http://soap.genomics.org.cn/soapdenovo.html>

SPAdes: <http://bioinf.spbau.ru/spades>

Velvet: <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/~zerbino/velvet/>

Microbiome Diversiry

mothur: <http://www.mothur.org/>

QIIME: <http://qiime.org>

Data visualization and functional analysis

IGV (for visualizing sequencing data and mapped reads): <https://www.broadinstitute.org/igv/>

Tablet (for visualizing mapped reads and genome assemblies): <https://ics.hutton.ac.uk/tablet/>

Circos (for making genomic figures data): <http://circos.ca>

ggplot2 (for general graphics and plotting data; an R package): <http://ggplot2.org>

DAVID (for assigning biological function to gene lists; GO terms and KEGG pathways): <https://david.ncicrf.gov>

KAAS Webserver (for mapping genes to KEGG pathways): <http://www.genome.jp/tools/kaas/>

Prodigal Webserver (for gene prediction in bacterial genomes): <http://prodigal.ornl.gov/server.html>

Local NCBI BLAST (for performing sequence similarity searches): <ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/executables/blast+/LATEST/>

Variant Detection

GATK (for SNP and indel calling): <https://www.broadinstitute.org/gatk/>

Stacks (for analysis of RAD-seq data): <http://catchenlab.life.illinois.edu/stacks/>