DNA Sequencing Technologies

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Overview

After completing today's session, students should:

- ▶ Think about the problem of genome assembly
- Know how DNA is extracted, sequencing libraries are prepared and analysed

Genome Assembly

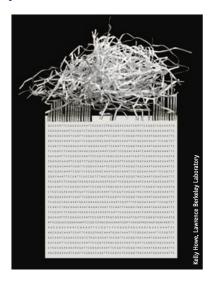


Figure 1: Genome assemblies need a lot of sequencing data and complex informatics algorithms to put the sequence back together. Figure from Baker (2012)

The DNA sequencing Machine: Flow Cell

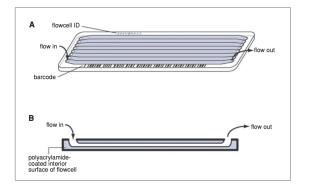


Figure 2: Flow-cell. Figure from Quail (2009).

The DNA sequencing Machine: Cluster amplification

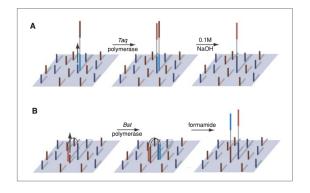


Figure 3: Cluster amplification. Figure from Quail (2009).

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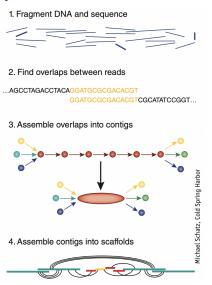


Figure 4: After getting reads from the sequencing machine, they are put back together. Figure from Baker (2012).

Gene Prediction and Annotation

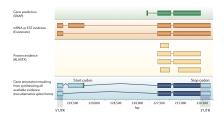


Figure 5: Gene prediction and annotation. Figure from Yandell and Ence (2012)

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