Short Read Alignment & Variant Calling





- Loo...ts of Google/ChatGPT search
- Proper data & directory management
- Perform background study
- Be persistent

With Great Power



Comes great responsibility



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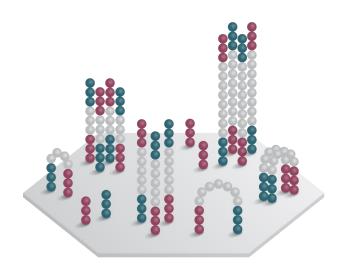
Workflow





Short Read Alignment

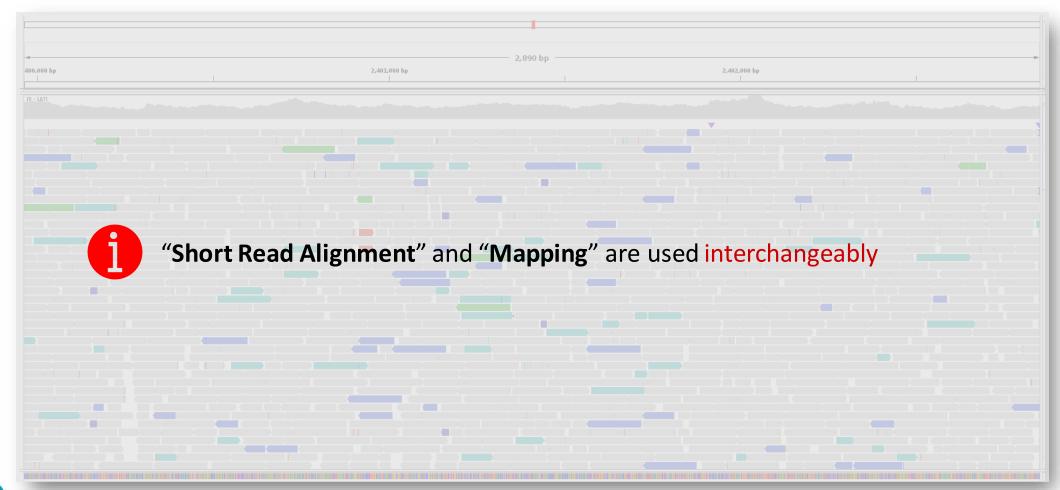
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Short Read Alignment / Mapping

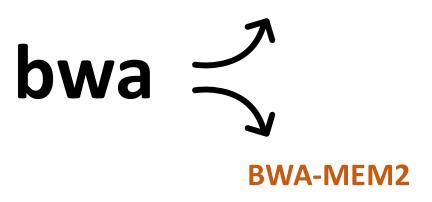
Determine the most likely location and orientation of each read within the reference sequence.

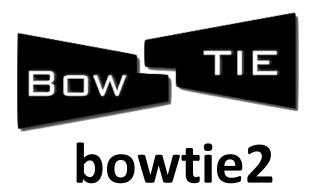


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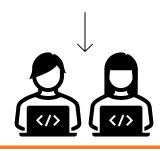
Commonly Used Tools...

minimap2





HISAT2



STAR



SAM File





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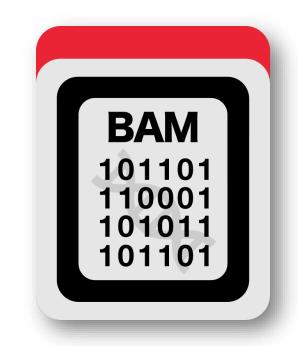
SAM (Sequence Alignment/Map) File

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QHD VN:1.5 SO:coordinate
                                                                                                              Header
                                                                                                              section
@SQ SN:ref LN:45
                     30 8M2I4M1D3M = 37
                                               39 TTAGATAAAGGATACTG *
r001
        99 ref
r002
                  9 30 3S6M1P1I4M *
                                                O AAAAGATAAGGATA
                                                O GCCTAAGCTAA
r003
          0 ref
                  9 30 5S6M
                                                                         * SA:Z:ref,29,-,6H5M,17,0;
                                                                                                              Alignment
                                                                                                              section
r004
          0 ref 16 30 6M14N5M
                                                O ATAGCTTCAGC
r003 2064 ref 29 17 6H5M
                                                O TAGGC
                                                                         * SA:Z:ref,9,+,5S6M,30,1;
r001 147 ref 37 30 9M
                                             -39 CAGCGGCAT
                                                                         * NM:i:1
                                                                              Optional fields in the format of TAG:TYPE:VALUE
                                                                        QUAL: read quality; * meaning such information is not available
                                                        SEQ: read sequence
                                               TLEN: the number of bases covered by the reads from the same fragment. Plus/minus
                                               means the current read is the leftmost/rightmost read. E.g. compare first and last lines.
                                           PNEXT: Position of the primary alignment of the NEXT read in the template. Set as 0 when the
                                           information is unavailable. It corresponds to POS column.
                                      RNEXT: reference sequence name of the primary alignment of the NEXT read. For paired-end
                                      sequencing, NEXT read is the paired read, corresponding to the RNAME column.
                            CIGAR: summary of alignment, e.g. insertion, deletion
                    MAPQ: mapping quality
                 POS: 1-based position
             RNAME: reference sequence name, e.g. chromosome/transcript id
       FLAG: indicates alignment information about the read, e.g. paired, aligned, etc.
QNAME: query template name, aka. read ID
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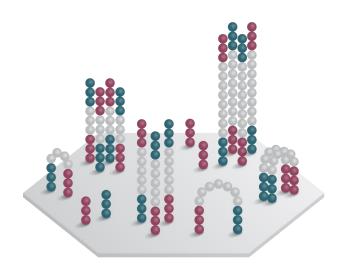
BAM (Binary Alignment/Map file) File

- Binary, compressed (and almost always sorted)
 representation of the SAM information
 - Sorting by coordinate allows fast query on the information by location.



Variant Calling

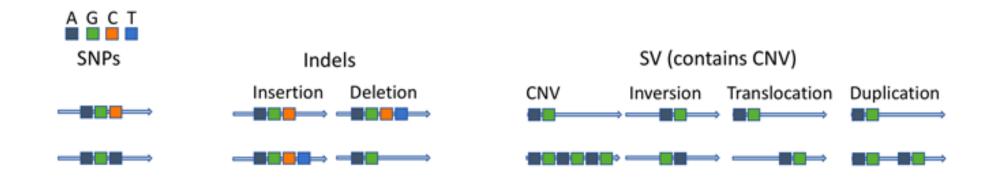
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Variant Calling

Variant calling is the process of identifying genetic variations or differences, such as single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) or insertions/deletions (indels), in a subject's genome compared to a reference genome.



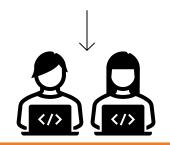


Commonly Used Variant Callers

bcftools

FreeBayes

VarScan2



GATK





VCF file format

Data representation format used to describe variations in the genome

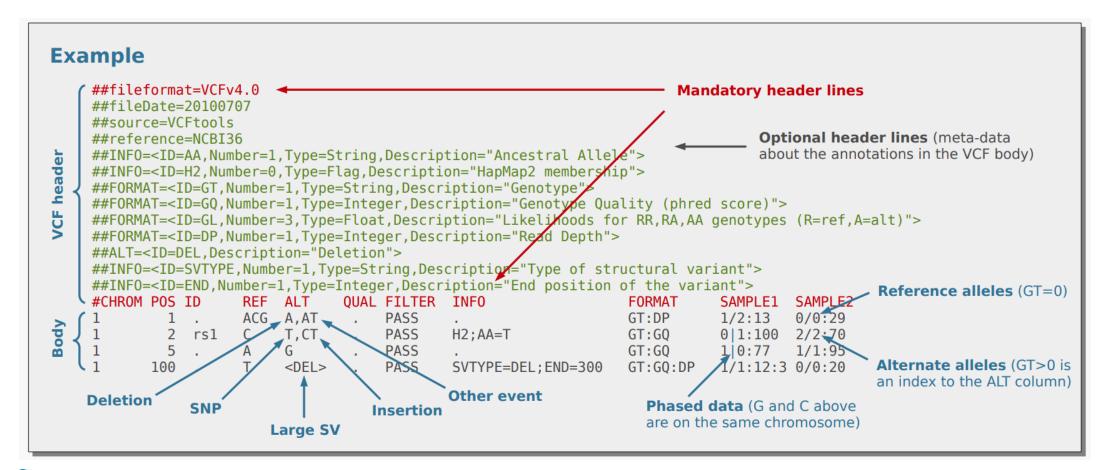




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