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INTRO BIO-INFORMATICS 1 : Using sequences

You are working with the local municipality health department to screen your community for COVID-19 cases. An effective readout for community-level COVID-19 infection rates is assessing the viral load ('titer', abundance, content) in community waste-water ([Nature](#), [CDC](#)) and enables you to get a sense of how much virus is circulating in the community without a lot of individual testing -- also known as 'pooled testing'.

In order to detect viral presence, the health dept. is performing RNA sequencing on the waste-water entering the water treatment facility. They are detecting a subset of sequences that need characterization. Understanding the origin, nature, and implications of these RNA sequences will help the community assess its exposure and response to the pandemic.

The health department is providing you with the top 5 most abundant sequences from their screen in **FASTA** format:

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#>header
#sequence

>seq_1
GGTTTTCGGATCGTAAAGCTCTGTTGTTAGGGAAGAACAAGTACCGTTTGAATAGGGCGGTACCTTGACGGTACCTAACCAGAAAGCCACGGCTAACTACG
TGCCAGCAGCCGCGGTAATACGTAGGTGGCAAGCGTTGTCCGGAATTATTGGGCGTAAAGGGCTCGCAGGCGGTTTCTTAAGTCTGATGTGAAAGCCCCG
GCTCAACCGGGAGGGTCATTGGAACTGGGGAACCTGAGTGCAGAAGAGGAGAGTGGAATCCACGTGTAGCGGTGAAATGCGTAGAGATGTGGAGGAAC
ACCAGTGGCGAAGGCGA

>seq_2
TTGTGGCCATGGCGGCTGTGCCATGGTCTCAGTGCCATGGGCTTCACTGCGGCGGGAATCGCCTCGTCTCCATAGCAGCCAAGATGATGTCCGCGGCG
GCCATTGCCAATGGGGTGGAGTTGCCTCGGGCAGCCTTGTGGCTACTCTGCAGTCACTGG

>seq_3
ATGCACAAGGAGGAACATGAGGTGGCTGTGCTGGGGCCACCCCCAGCACCATCCTTCCAAGGTCCACCGTGATCAACATCCACAGCGAGACCTCCGTGCC
CGACCATGTCGTCTGGTCCCTGTTCAACACCCTCTTCTTGAAGTGGTGTCTGGGC
TTCATAGCATTGCGCTACTCCGTGAAG

>seq_4
ATGTTTCATCTCGTTGACTTTTCAAGTTACTATAGCAGAGATATTACTAATTATTATGAGGACTTTTAAAGTTTCCATTTGGAATCTTGATTACATCATAA
ACCTCATAATTAATAATTTATCTAAGTCACTAACTGAGAATAAATATTCTCAATTAGAT
GAAGAGCAACCAATGGAGATTGATTAA
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while the sequences have been given to you all in one file, it is best to assume that they are not derived from the same organism.

The health dept. believes that these sequences can help determine the **presence of Sars-CoV-2 and detect some signs of human response to infection**. Additionally, they'd like you to **confirm that these samples are derived from waste-water** as a control for future large scale experiments.

Please return a report that describes the **objectives** of your analysis, the **methods** you employed to generate each conclusion, and the **results** of those methods.

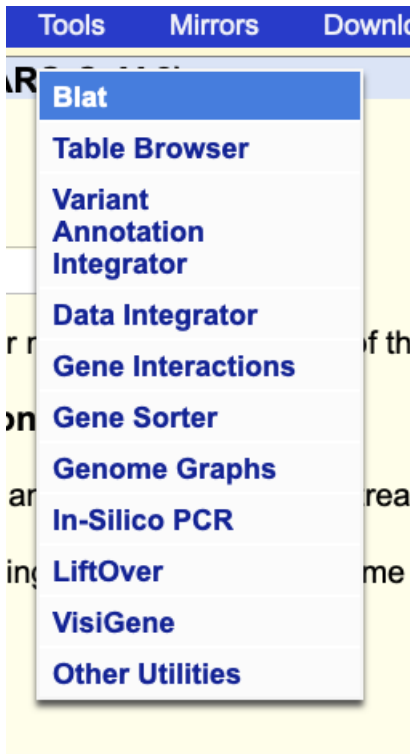
Results:

Please also provide the sequences in **FASTA** format with **headers re-named** to reflect the identities you've assigned each sequence.

For any **human gene** sequences you identify, please report the **GENCODE v32 Biochemical and Signaling Pathways** it is associated with and whether or not we could study the gene using **mouse** as a **model organism**.

For any **Sars-CoV-2 gene** sequences you identify, use the [Sars-CoV-2 Genome Browser](#)'s **BLAT** tool to see where it aligns to the genome, identify the gene it is derived from using the **Genes and Gene Predictions: NCBI Genes** track.

Where it would be helpful, attach a screenshot of any relevant output from BLAST/Genome Browser.



getting to the BLAT tool

setting the search to use SARS-CoV-2

Conclusion:

Finally, address the the interests of the health department in your conclusion:
(please cite the results from your analysis that support your conclusions)

1. **Can we confirm the presence of Sars-Cov-2?**
2. **Can we detect signs of human response to infection?**
3. **Can we confirm that these samples are likely derived from waste-water?**

OBJECTIVES

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METHODS

RESULTS

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GGTTTTCGGATCGTAAAGCTCTGTTGTTAGGGAAGAACAAGTACCGTTGGAATAGGGCGGTACCTTGACGGTACCTAACCAGAAAGCCACGGCTAACTACG
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TTCATAGCATTGCGCTACTCCGTGAAG

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ACCTCATAATTAATAATTTATCTAAGTCACTAACTGAGAATAAATATTCTCAATTAGAT
GAAGAGCAACCAATGGAGATTGATTAA
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CONCLUSION