STAGE 0: data description

Link to instance: https://ribogalaxy.genomicsdatascience.ie/. First, if you want to keep your progress and have a bigger data storage quota, you need to create an account on RiboGalaxy.

Input file is named: 'SAMPLE.fq'. It's ribosome profiling of human U-2 OS cells and it's a subsample of ~30k reads that were selected to map on 12 transcripts. It was demultiplexed (file contains reads from 1 sample only), however barcodes are still there.

It can be downloaded: https://www.dropbox.com/s/h8xrtx7taxblzll/SAMPLE.fq?dl=0. Note, that gzipped fastq files are also accepted.

In this tutorial we assume that you had some previous basic experience working with any Galaxy instance, e.g. you know how to run tools and how to look at resulting files. If you don't, the interface is pretty intuitive and can be learnt on the fly.

This tutorial also contains steps that link processed ribo-seq data with GWIPS-viz (https://gwips.ucc.ie/) and Trips-viz (https://trips.ucc.ie/) browsers for further analysis and visualisation, however it does not contain the full tutorial for those tools. If you're interested in exploring your data in detail using their full functionality you can take a look at corresponding publications and a walkthrough example for Trips-viz https://trips.ucc.ie/help/?parent_acc=parent_walkthrough. If you are familiar with the UCSC Genome browser, GWIPS-viz would be very easy to use.

Now let's move to the read composition.

Here is the structure of a read:

UUU - RPF sequence - NNNNN - BBBBB - AGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAA

UUU = untemplated additions

RPF sequence = ribosome protected fragment sequence

NNNNN = UMIs

BBBBB = barcodes

AGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAA = 3' adapter

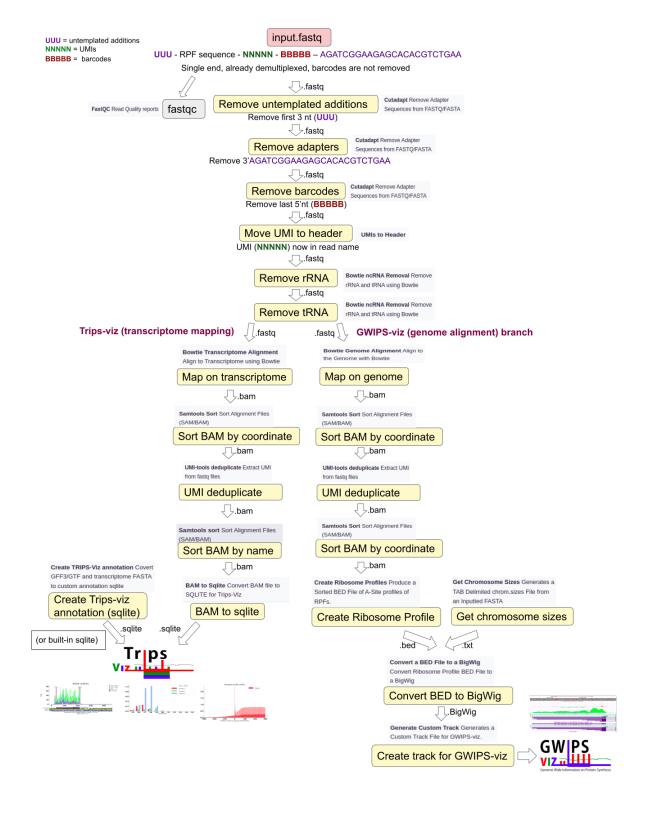
Depending on a protocol, the structure of a read may vary and you need to adjust your parameters accordingly. This tutorial deals with exactly this structure.

Raw reads in fastq file looks like that:

Most tools have a wide range of parameters that can be set.

Text descriptions and screenshots will show you a minimal set of parameters you need to define. Parameters that are not mentioned in text or on screenshots can be skipped. However, If you know what you're doing or want to experiment, feel free to adjust parameters to your liking.

Tutorial looks very long and intimidating, however, the sample is small and most steps can be done pretty quickly (except creating sqlite annotation and uploading it to Trips-viz in STAGE IIa, though it is provided in dropbox).



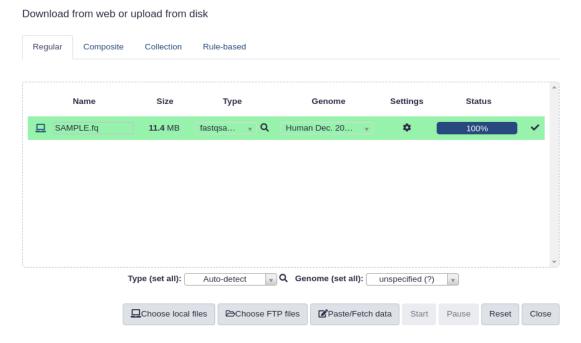
STAGE I: preprocessing and basic QC. First we need to retrieve the Ribosome Protected Fragment sequence from the raw read.

Just to give you a quick overview about the key steps and tools that we will need to use for obtaining clean Ribosome Protected Fragments from raw reads:

- After raw data is uploaded, we would want to look at the quality of the reads using the pretty standard tool called *FastQC*.
- After that we will trim adapters, untemplated additions and barcodes using *Cutadapt*.
- Next, we will move UMIs from the read sequence to the name (header) of the read using *UMIs to Header* tool.
- Then we will deal with typical major contaminants of ribosome profiling tRNA and rRNAs by using Bowtie ncRNA Removal.
- At the end we can again check the quality of the resulting data using FastQC.

Let's begin!

1. Upload sample to the RiboGalaxy ('**Upload data**' at the left panel), choose Type 'fastqsanger' and Genome - 'hg38'. Push 'Start'.



2. Run quality control using the **Fastqc** tool from the **Preprocessing** section. Push 'Execute'.





It outputs Webpage and RawData on your right panel. You can download the Webpage by clicking on the 'save' icon. It will download the zip archive containing the file SAMPLE_fq_fastqc.html which you can open in a browser by clicking on it.

You can explore different quality control plots, especially ones that are <u>failed</u> or have <u>warnings</u>. Let's have a look at the <u>passed</u> QC plot: **Per base** sequence quality. X-axis shows position in read (bp),

y-axis shows distribution of sequencing quality score per base for all reads which is split by 3 areas: green is high quality, yellow is acceptable, red is poor quality. Here the entire read has either high or acceptable quality. You may sometimes observe that the end or the beginning of the read has poor quality and therefore it requires trimming. Or even the entire read sequence has poor quality - therefore you may consider filtering reads based on quality or even choose another dataset to work with...

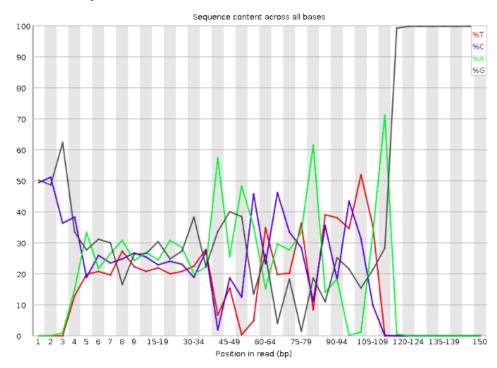
Here we have not yet removed adapters, barcodes, untemplated additions and UMIs, so after all the steps read will be much shorter (~28-30nt).



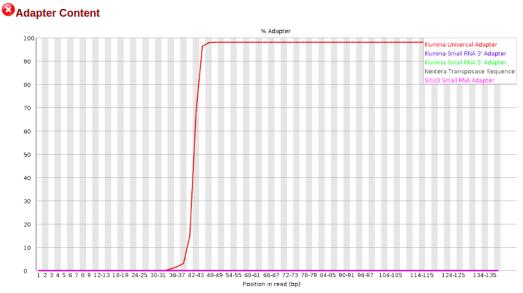
Let's look at the <u>failed</u> one: Per base sequence content. Y-axis is the fraction of nucleotide per position in read, x-axis is position in read (bp). We have not yet removed untemplated additions (first 3 nucleotides), adapter (last dozens of nucleotides), 5nt of barcode preceding the adapter and 5nt of UMI preceding the barcode. Indeed, RPF starting from position 4 till approximately position 30-34 has relatively uniform distribution of nucleotides as expected, while adapters, barcodes,

UMIs and untemplated additions show clearly huge spread in fractions of nucleotides. We will look at this plot once we remove all of that.

②Per base sequence content

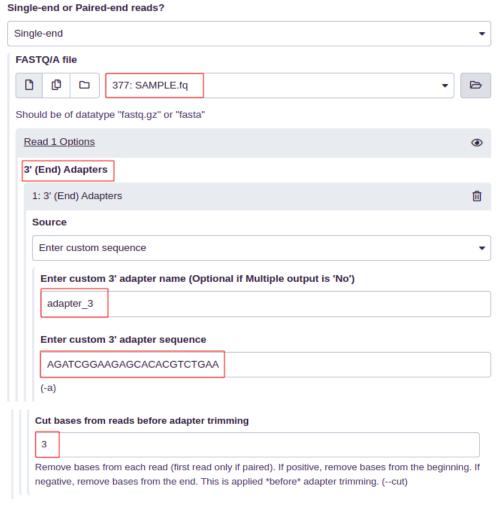


We do also see untrimmed adapters in **Adapter Content** plot (also <u>failed</u> one, y-axis is the cumulative fraction of of reads where the adapter sequence is identified at the indicated base position and x-axis is position in read in bp):



3. Trim untemplated additions (first 3nt - UUU) and adapter with *Cutadapt* from **Processing**. Choose the input file that you uploaded. We will trim the 3' (End) **Adapter**. **Source**: Enter Custom Sequence. **Enter a custom 3' adapter sequence**: AGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAA. If you'd like, you can also add the name of the adapter (in the screenshot below it's 'adapter_3'), but it's not necessary since we

have only 1 adapter. **Cut bases from reads before adapter trimming**: choose 3 (those untemplated additions in the beginning of the read).



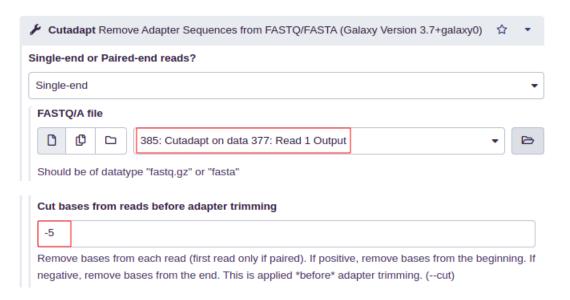
Also you can choose additional files in the **Outputs selector**, e.g. here we will have **Report** for adapter statistics (e.g. how many reads contain adapters). Push 'Execute'. After this step read looks like: **RPF sequence** - **NNNNN** - **BBBBB**.

Outputs selector
☐ Select/Unselect all
☑ Report: Cutadapt's per-adapter statistics. You can use this file with MultiQC.
☐ Info file: write information about each read and its adapter matches.
\square Rest of read: when the adapter matches in the middle of a read, write the rest (after the adapter).
☐ Wildcard file: when the adapter has wildcard bases (Ns) write adapter bases matching wildcard
positions.
\square Too short reads: write reads that are too short according to minimum length specified (default:
discard reads).
☐ Too long reads: write reads that are too long (according to maximum length specified)
\square Untrimmed reads: write reads that do not contain the adapter to a separate file, instead of writing
them to the regular output file (default: output to same file as trimmed)
\square Multiple output: create a separate file for each adapter trimmed (default: all trimmed reads are in a
single file)
☐ Statistics in JSON format

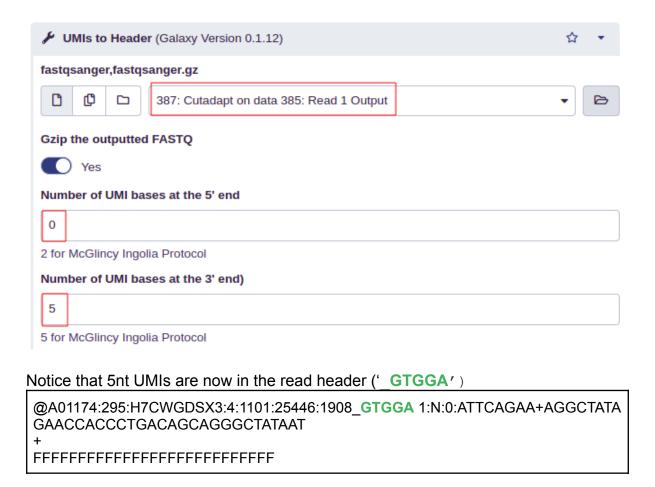
We can take a look at the report file (hit an 'eye' icon). All reads contain adapters as expected.

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This is cutadapt 3.7 with Python 3.9.10
Command line parameters: -j=1 -a adapter_3=AGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAA -u 3 -- output=outl.fq --error-rate=0.1 --times=1 --overlap=3 --action=trim --minimum-length=25
SAMPLE_fq.fq
Processing reads on 1 core in single-end mode ...
Finished in 0.32 s (10 µs/read; 5.99 M reads/minute).
=== Summarv ===
Total reads processed:
                                            32.372
Reads with adapters:
                                            32,372 (100.0%)
== Read fate breakdown ==
Reads that were too short:
                                                  0 (0.0%)
Reads written (passing filters):
                                           32,372 (100.0%)
Total basepairs processed:
                                  4,855,800 bp
Total written (filtered):
                                  1,237,086 bp (25.5%)
=== Adapter adapter_3 ===
Sequence: AGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAA; Type: regular 3'; Length: 24; Trimmed: 32372 times
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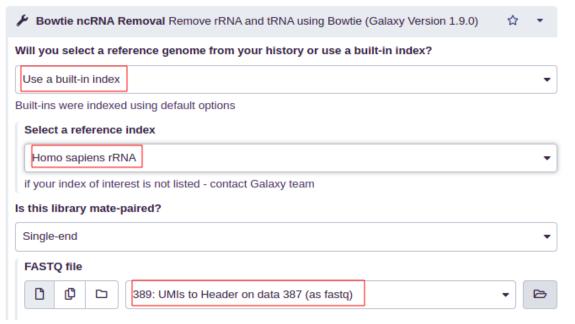
4. Remove barcodes with the *Cutadapt* tool from the **Preprocessing section**. Input - fastq file from the previous step. Here you need to define the only one parameter: **Cut bases from reads before adapter trimming**. Choose -5 (trim 5 nt from the end of the read). Push 'Execute'. Read will look like: **RPF sequence** - **NNNNN**.



5. Move UMIs to the header of the read. Use toll *UMI to Header* from **UMI and barcodes**. Input - .fastq file from the previous step. Choose 'Number of **UMI bases at the 5'end**' to 0 and 'Number of **UMI bases at the 3'end**' to 5. Push 'Execute'. After this step read will look like: RPF sequence.



6. Remove rRNA from the reads using the Bowtie *ncRNA Removal tool* from the **Preprocessing** section. Since its human reads, we can choose built-in index *Homo sapiens rRNA*. Input file is fastq file from the previous step. Push 'Execute'.



Let's have a look at the report file (named 'mapping stats', hit an 'eye' icon): most reads do not align to rRNA (99.96%). We know that this sample is very clean thus we don't expect to see a lot of rRNA reads. However, usually we expect to see ~80%

or even more of reads that map to rRNA in typical ribo-seq samples.

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# reads processed: 32372
# reads with at least one reported alignment: 13 (0.04%)
# reads that failed to align: 32359 (99.96%)
Reported 13 alignments to 1 output stream(s)
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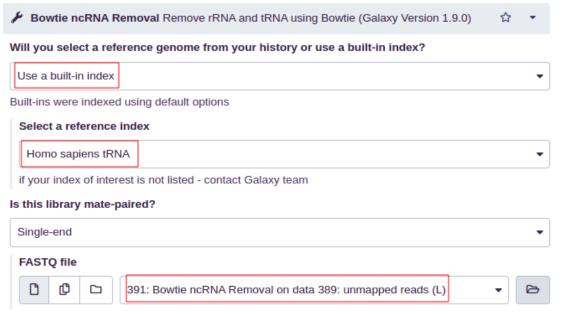


Sometimes galaxy bowtie does not correctly output the datatype of unmapped reads that we are going to use for the next step. We can do the following trick. Choose '*Edit attributes*' on the right panel and in the middle panel choose the '*Datatypes*' tab and then

'Auto-detect'. It should change the datatype to the right one, 'fastqsanger' (or you can type it manually).



7. Remove tRNA from the reads using **Bowtie ncRNA Removal tool** from **Preprocessing**. Since its human reads, we can choose built-in index *Homo sapiens tRNA*. Input file is fastq file from the previous step with unmapped reads. Push 'Execute'.

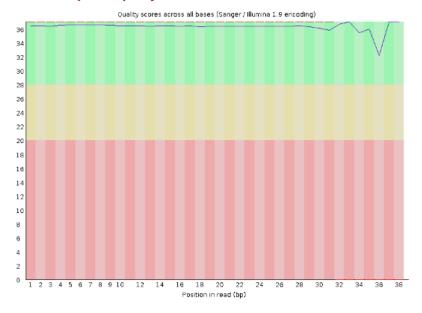


8. Finally, we can repeat QC using the **FastQC** tool in **Preprocessing**. Input file is trimmed reads (no additions, adapters, UMIs and barcodes) filtered out from rRNA/tRNA contamination taken from step 7. Push 'Execute'.

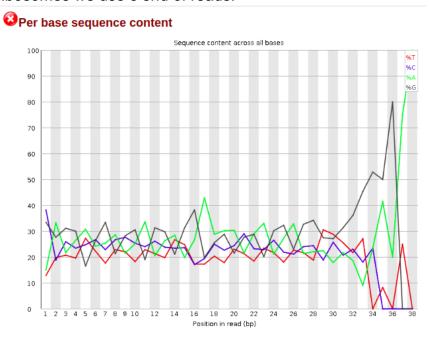
FastQC Read Quality reports (Galaxy Version 0.73+galaxy0)					
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Let's examine the report .html file. Per base sequence quality is perfect:

Per base sequence quality



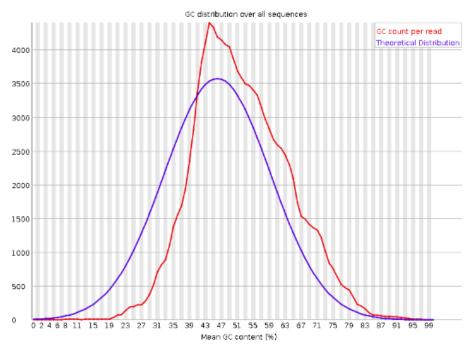
Per base sequence content looks much better then for the raw reads, however 3'end of reads is still wobbly. We are not going to trim it since for deriving A-sites of ribosomes we use 5'end of reads.



Per sequence GC content. It shows GC content across the whole length of each sequence in a file and compares it to a modelled normal distribution of GC content. In our case, GC content is significantly different from expected one which can be

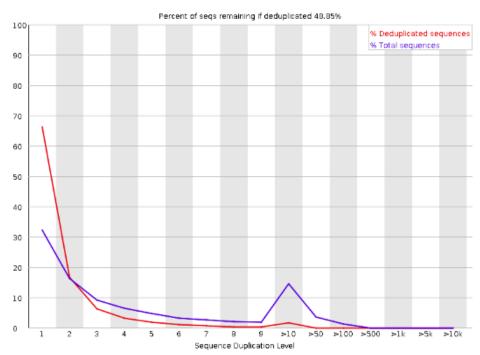
explained by non-random sampling of reads (reads that map to only 12 transcripts).

Per sequence GC content



Sequence Duplication Levels. X-axis is how often a sequence occurs (1 = one time, 2 = twice, >10 = more than 10 times etc), y-axis is the fraction of such sequences (reads). Typically in RNA-seq and Ribo-seq experiments it's expected to see many duplicated reads.

Sequence Duplication Levels



It's also good to take a look at **Overrepresented sequences** and blast top hits. This way we can spot unexpected contaminations. We had about 32k reads and the top overrepresented sequence is less than 1%.

Overrepresented sequences

Sequence	Count	Percentage	Possible Source
CAGATCCCGGAGTTGGAAAACAATGAA	204	0.6304273926882784	No Hit
CAGATCCCGGAGTTGGAAAACAATGAAA	123	0.3801106338267561	No Hit
CATCCATCCGACATTGAAGTTGACTTAC	110	0.33993633919465993	No Hit
GAATTCACCCCCACTGAAAAAGATGAGT	95	0.2935813838499336	No Hit
GGAACTCTTGTGCGTAAGGAAAAGTAAG	92	0.2843103927809883	No Hit
${\tt CGGAACTCTTGTGCGTAAGGAAAAGTAAG}$	81	0.2503167588615223	No Hit
GAATTCACCCCCACTGAAAAAGATGAG	79	0.2441360981488921	No Hit
CATCCATCCGACATTGAAGTTGACTTACT	79	0.2441360981488921	No Hit
CCCGAGATGCCCGGCGAGACACCGCCCC	74	0.2286844463673167	No Hit
CCCCCGGCGCCCAGCGAGGATATCTGGA	72	0.22250378565468648	No Hit
AGATCCCGGAGTTGGAAAACAATGAA	67	0.20705213387311105	No Hit
GGGTTTCATCCATCCGACATTGAAGTTG	65	0.20087147316048085	No Hit
ATTCGGGCCGAGATGTCTCGCTCCGTG	59	0.18232949102259033	No Hit
${\tt TGGGATCGAGACATGTAAGCAGCATCATG}$	59	0.18232949102259033	No Hit
GACTTCTCACCAGGAGATTTGGTTTGGG	58	0.17923916066627524	No Hit
CATCCAGCAGAGAATGGAAAGTCAAATT	58	0.17923916066627524	No Hit

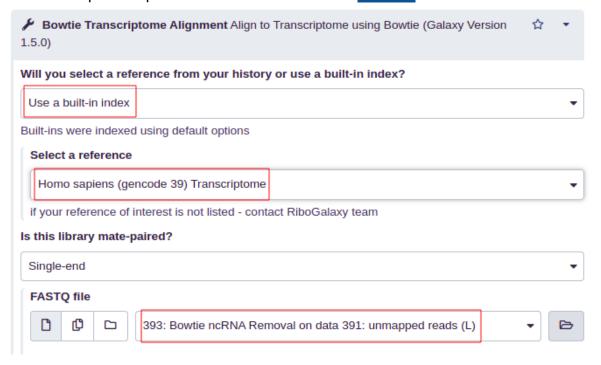
When we blast the top1 sequence, we can see that it's part of MYC which is indeed among transcripts we sampled originally.



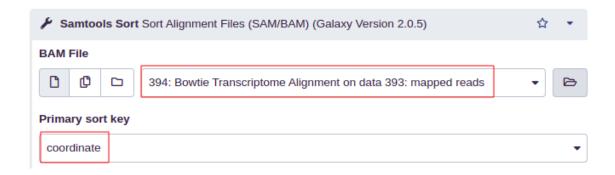
STAGE IIa: mapping on a transcriptome.

Let's talk briefly about what to expect at this stage.

- First, we will map clean reads (ribosome protected fragments) from preprocessing STAGE I on the transcriptome using *Bowtie Transcriptome Alignment*.
- Next, we will sort the resulting alignments by coordinate because it is needed for the next stage where we get rid of PCR duplicates using UMIs. We will use Samtools sort.
- Then we will deduplicate our sample based on UMIs using UMI-tools deduplicate.
- Next, we will sort reads by name in the deduplicated sample using Samtools sort since this order is required for building sqlite files. Sqlite is a format that is used to store mapped reads and associated statistics (e.g. triplet periodicity and ambiguity of mapping) for downstream analysis and visualisation in Trips-viz browser.
- Finally, we will create a sqlite file using the **BAM to Sqlite** tool. We will then upload it to Trips-viz and explore subcodon profiles.
- 1. We will map clean reads (RPFs) from Stage I on transcriptome using **Bowtie Transcriptome Alignment** from **Trips-viz** (**transcriptome mapping**) **branch**. In this example we will use the built-in index *Homo sapiens* (*gencode 39*) *Transcriptome* and the output fastq file from the STAGE I. Push 'Execute'.



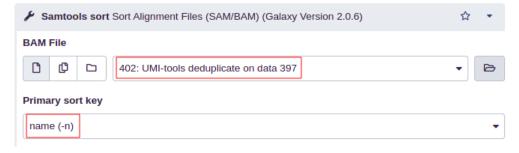
2. Sort the bam file by coordinate using **Samtools sort** from **GWIPS-Viz** (**genomic alignment**) **branch**. Push 'Execute'.



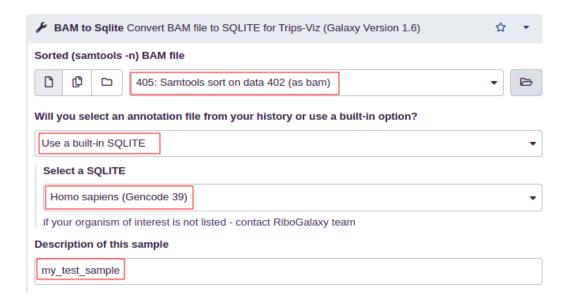
3. This step can be performed if you want to deduplicate your sample (remove PCR duplicates) using UMIs. It can be done with **UMI-tools deduplicate** from **UMI and barcodes**. Input file is bam sorted by coordinate. You can also choose to output UMI related statistics file. Push 'Execute'.



4. Sort bam file by name using **Samtools sort** from **Trips-viz** (**transcriptome mapping**) **branch**. Push 'Execute'.

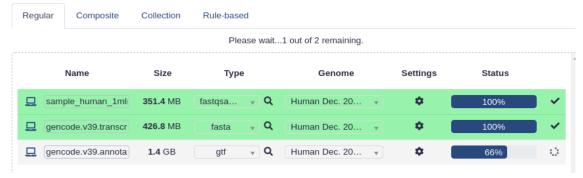


5. Finally we will get a sqlite file using sorted by name bam file and annotation sqlite file (we will choose built-in option: Gencode 39). We will use the **BAM to Sqlite** tool from the **Trips-viz** (**transcriptome mapping**) **branch**. We also can add a description of the sample, e.g. 'my_test_sample'.



5' (Optional, you can skip this step since an annotation sqlite file is provided as a built-in option and can be downloaded from dropbox). Otherwise you can build annotation sqlite yourself (note that it will take a while) using Create TRIPS-Viz annotation from Trips-viz (transcriptome mapping) branch. For that you first need to download files and unzip them, and then upload to the RiboGalaxy:

- https://ftp.ebi.ac.uk/pub/databases/gencode/Gencode_human/release_39/gencode.v39.annotation.gtf.gz .gtf file
- https://ftp.ebi.ac.uk/pub/databases/gencode/Gencode human/release 39/gencode.v39.transcripts.fa.gz .fasta file



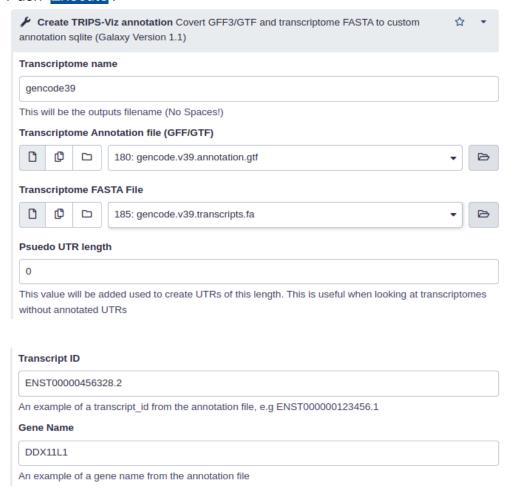
Then you need to use following input files and parameters:

- Transcriptome name: 'gencode39'
- Transcriptome annotation file: uploaded gtf
- Transcriptome fasta file: uploaded fasta
- Pseudo UTR length: 0
- Transcript id: ENST00000456328.2
- Gene name: DDX11L1

Gene and transcript id are taken from the beginning of the gtf file, it helps to better parse the gtf file since they typically have different formats depending on a gene annotation provider and organisms. Pseudo UTR length is not set on 0 when the transcriptome does not have UTRs (like yeast transcriptomes, in this case typically you would choose 300). Building annotation sqlite may take a while, so we provide it

in a dropbox:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/pxita1ebiosbrz5/Galaxy_G39_ann.sqlite?dl=0. Push 'Execute'.



This way you can create sqlite annotation files for organisms or releases that are not available as built-ins.

6. We can download sqlite files from step 5 and upload it to the Trips-viz. In addition we will need GENCODE v39 annotation in sqlite which we can be downloaded from here: https://www.dropbox.com/s/pxita1ebiosbrz5/Galaxy_G39_ann.sqlite?dl=0 (or create on step 5').

How to upload annotation sqlite file: go to https://trips.ucc.ie/uploads/ and choose Upload new transcriptome.

- Organism name: 'homo_sapiens'
- Assembly name: 'gencode39_ribogalaxy' (though you can put any name of assembly and organism)
- Default transcript: ENST00000559916
- Choose annotation sqlite file for uploading (it's ~3Gb)

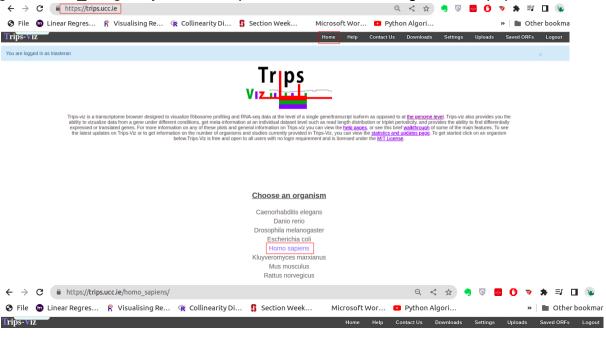


Next, choose Upload new file to upload the sample bam sqlite.

- Organism: homo_sapiens
- Assembly: gencode39 ribogalaxy
- choose sqlite file for uploading.



Then you can return to the homepage of Trips-viz, choose *Homo sapiens*, choose *gencode39_ribogalaxy* as transcriptome and choose a single transcript plot.



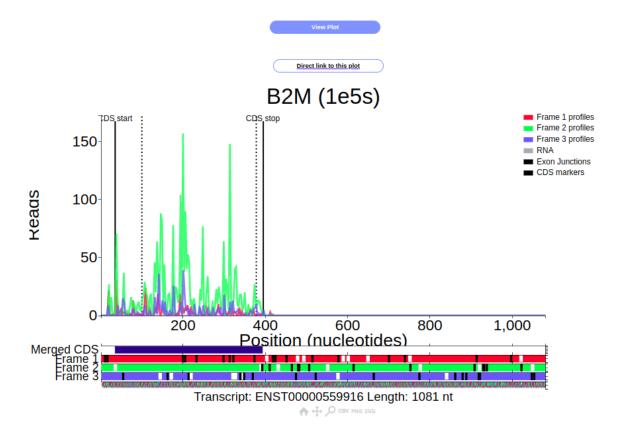
Originally we selected reads that map on a set of 12 transcripts. Now you can explore their subcodon profiles, e.g. by selecting the 'Single transcript plot' and supplying a transcript: *ENST00000559916*:

Gencode_v25
gencodev39_ribogalaxy

General Settings

Gene/Transcript: (i) ENST00000559916	Line Graph (i)		
Min triplet periodicity score: i	Allow ambiguously mapped		
Min Read: (i)	reads (i)		
Max Read: i	Allow PCR duplicates (i)		
Highlight sequences list:	Ribo-Seq coverage (i) Display nucleotide sequence		
Highlight start: i	(i)		
Highlight stop: 1	Display mismatches (i)		
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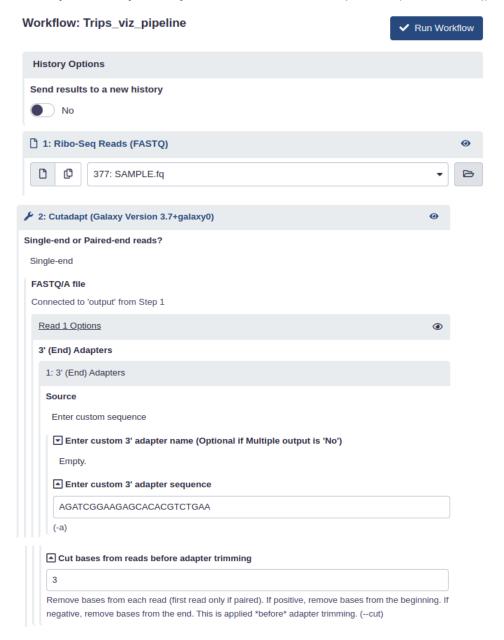
The list of all transcripts:

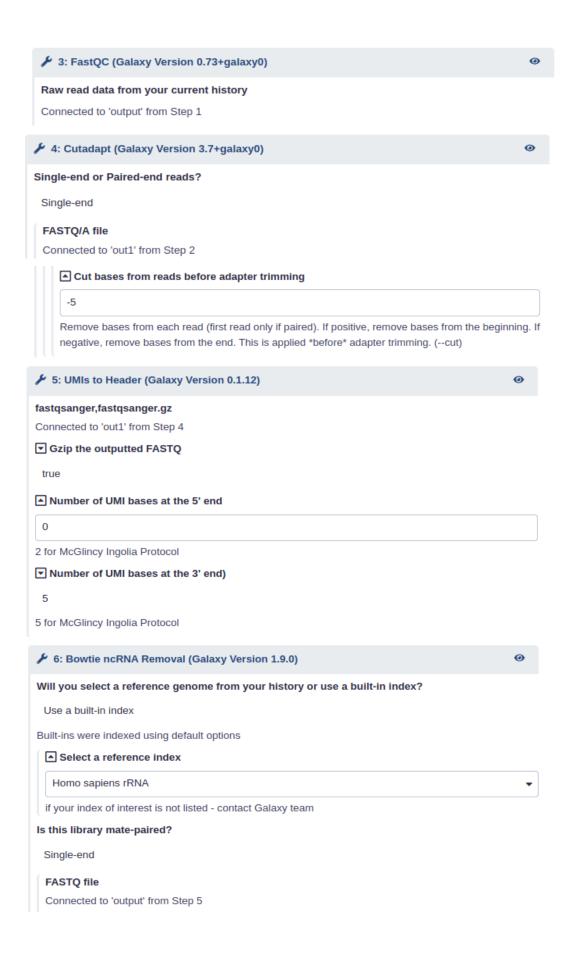
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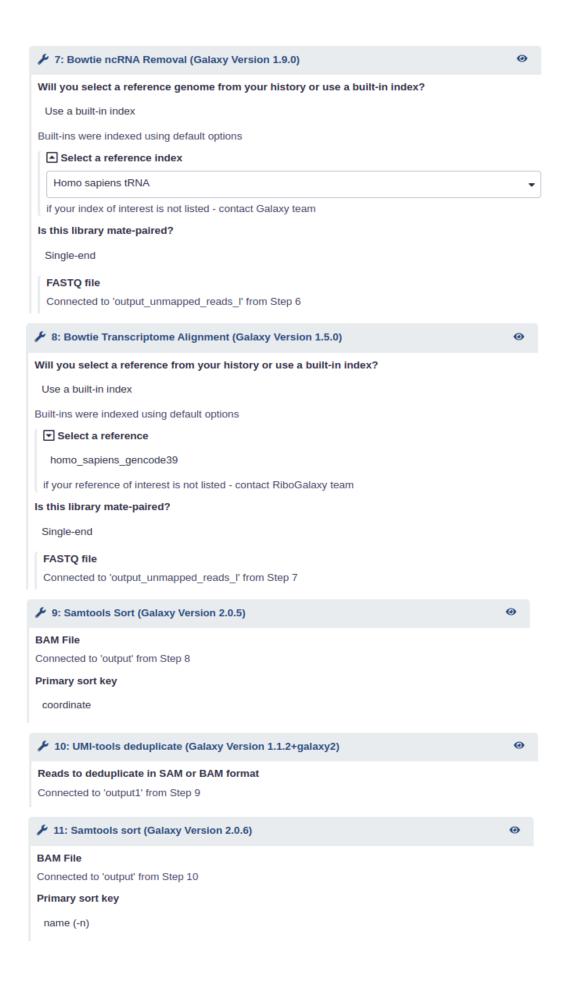
STAGE IIb: mapping on a transcriptome using a Workflow.

Let's use a workflow instead of doing things step-by-step. Of note, this workflow is not tailored to any possible read structure, e.g. in the present workflow there is an additional cutadapt step for removing barcodes. In case you don't need it, you can create your own workflow (or edit this one locally) based on the provided one.

First, you need to access it via: Shared data -> Workflows -> Trips_viz_pipeline (author triasteran). Click on 'run' button at the top right corner. Now you need to specify all the parameters from the STAGE IIa. You may notice that all of them are already set and you only need to choose the input file (SAMPLE.fq).









Once all parameters are set, click on 'Run Workflow' on top of the page.



Successfully invoked workflow Trips_viz_pipeline.

You can check the status of queued jobs and view the resulting data by refreshing the History pane, if this has not already happened automatically.

:: Invocation 1...

12 of 12 steps successfully scheduled.

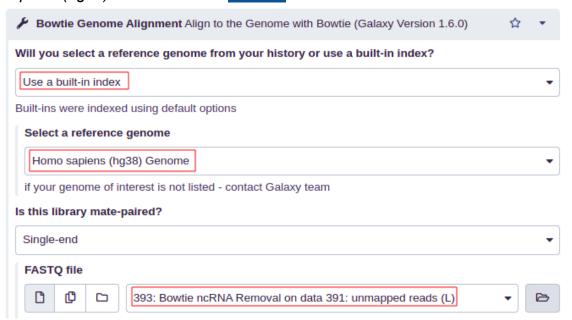
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- Steps

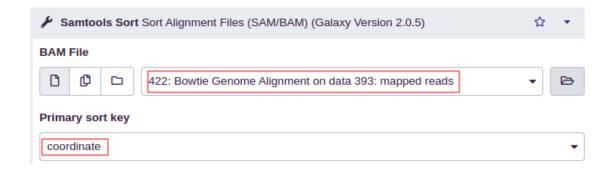
STAGE IIIa: mapping on a genome.

Let's briefly go through the main steps.

- 1. First we will map reads after STAGE I (ribosome protected fragments) on the genome using **Bowtie Genome Alignment**.
- 2. Then we sort alignments based on coordinates using **Samtools sort**.
- 3. Next we will deduplicate a sample based on UMIs using *UMI-tools deduplicate*.
- 4. Then we again sort alignments based on coordinates using Samtools sort.
- 5. We need to obtain chromosome sizes by using the Get *Chromosome Sizes tool*.
- 6. Using the deduplicated bam file from step 4, now we can create ribosome profile in bed format using *Create Ribosome Profiles* tool.
- 7. Next we will convert the bed file to BigWig so that it can be uploaded and visualised in GWIPS-viz by using **Convert a BED File to a BigWig** tool.
- 8. In order to upload the resulting BigWig track file to GWIPS-viz, we will need to create a link using the Generate **Custom Track** tool.
- 1. Map reads (RPFs) that were cleaned from rRNA/tRNA contamination (after the last step of STAGE I) on the genome using **Bowtie Genome Alignment** in **GWIPS-Viz (genomic alignment) branch**. You can choose the built-in index *Homo sapiens (hg38) Genome*. Push 'Execute'.



2. Sort the resulting bam file by coordinate using **Samtools sort** from **GWIPS-Viz** (genomic alignment) branch. Push 'Execute'.



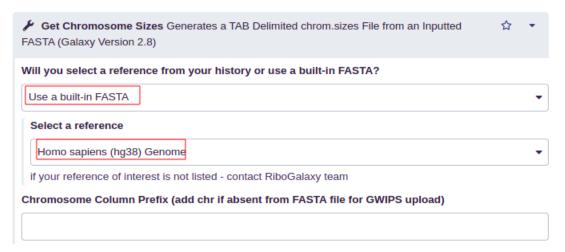
3. This step can be performed if you want to deduplicate your sample (remove PCR duplicates) using UMIs. It can be done with *UMI-tools deduplicate* from **UMI and barcodes**. Input file is bar sorted by coordinate. You can also choose to output log file. Push 'Execute'.



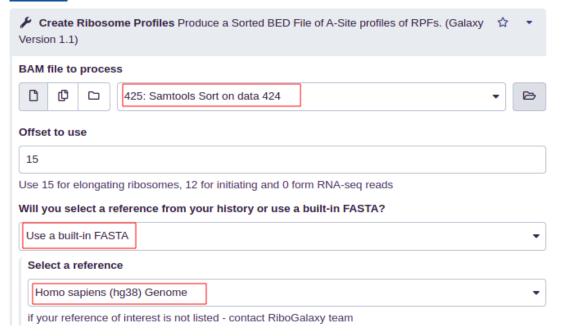
4. Sort the resulting deduplicated bam file by coordinate using **Samtools sort** from **GWIPS-Viz** (genomic alignment) branch. Push 'Execute'.



5. Now we will get chromosome sizes for subsequent transformation of alignment to the ribosome profile. We will use the *Get Chromosome Sizes* tool from **GWIPS-Viz** (genomic alignment) branch. Select built-in fasta, Homo sapiens (hg38) Genome. Push 'Execute'.



6. Create ribosome profile in bed format from sorted by coordinate deduplicated bam file from step 4 using *Create Ribosome Profiles* tool in **GWIPS-Viz (genomic alignment) branch**. Choose built-in fasta, *Homo sapiens (hg38) Genome*. Push 'Execute'.

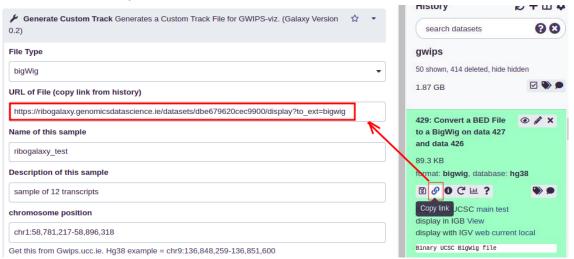


7. Next we need to convert the bed file from step 6 to BigWig file. BigWig can be uploaded to genome browsers, e.g. GWIPS-viz. We will use the *Convert a BED File* to a *BigWig* tool from **GWIPS-Viz** (genomic alignment) branch. Another input is chromosome sizes file from step 3. Push 'Execute'.

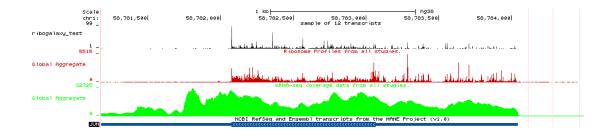


8. Finally, we can generate the file for easy upload of the BigWig file generated on step 7 to the GWIPS-viz browser. We will use **Generate Custom Track** from **GWIPS-Viz (genomic alignment) branch**. You will need to copy link to the BigWig file and use it as input:

Add name and description of the sample, as well as any chromosome position of interest, e.g. chr1:58,781,217-58,896,318 (it can be changed in genome browser). Push 'Execute'. This tool will output a file containing a link. You need to download this file and then upload to GWIPS-viz browser.



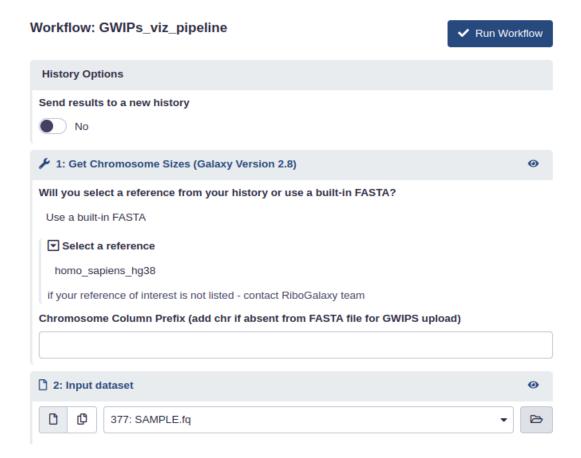
In order to upload this file, go to https://gwips.ucc.ie/cgi-bin/hgGateway, select My Data, Custom Tracks and add custom track. Choose file and submit. You then can take a look at the data:

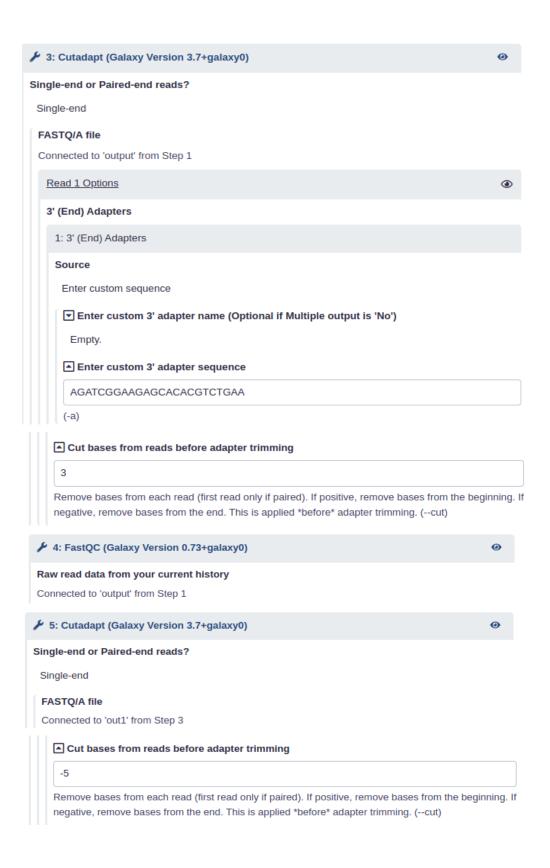


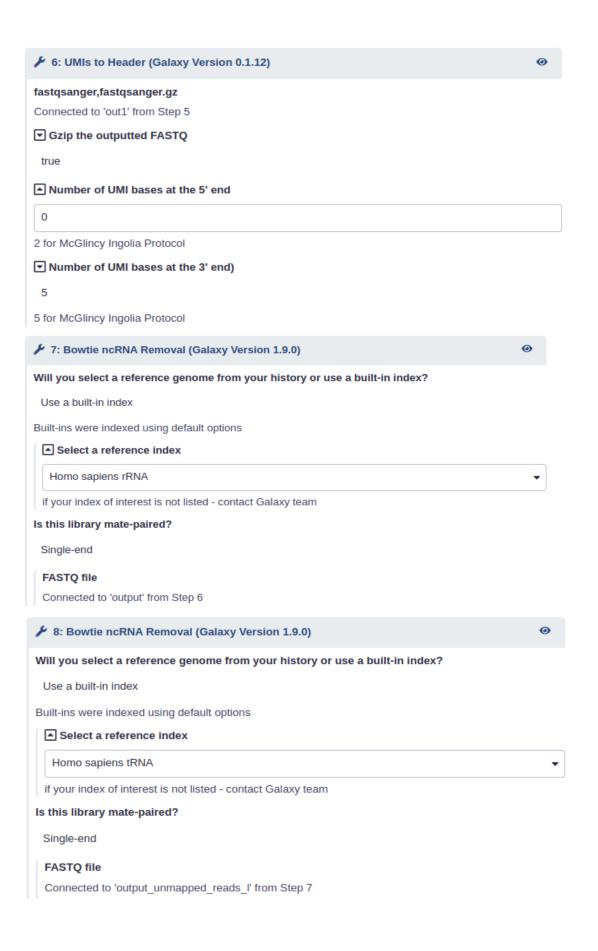
STAGE IIIb: mapping on a genome using Workflow.

Let's use a workflow instead of doing things step-by-step. Of note, this workflow is not tailored to any possible read structure, e.g. in the present workflow there is an additional cutadapt step for removing barcodes. In case you don't need it, you can create your own workflow (or edit this one locally) based on the provided one.

First, you need to access it via: Shared data -> Workflows -> GWIPs_viz_pipeline (author triasteran). Click on 'run' button at the top right corner. Now you need to specify all the parameters from the STAGE IIIa. Notice that all of them are already set except the input file which you need to specify: SAMPLE.fq.











Final step you have to do separately by using **Generate Custom Track** from **GWIPS-Viz (genomic alignment) branch** (the same way as described in STAGE Illa, step 8).