

# Next-generation DNA sequencing



Regardless of sequencing platform, going from data to genotypes is similar:

- 1) Determine reference genome to map to, or create a denovo assembly for your data
- 2) Map reads
- 3) Call genotypes
- 4) *Filter, analyze and check, filter again, check again, analyze, filter some more, check some more...*

Data processing choices have  
MAJOR downstream influences on  
your dataset and analyses

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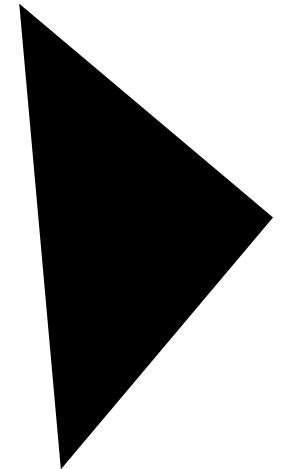
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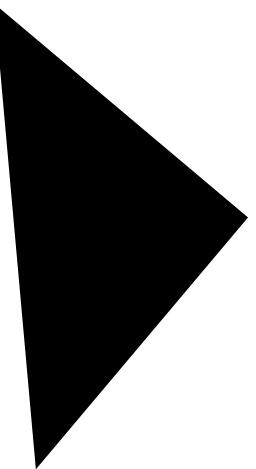
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Uses Phred scores –

**Higher Scores (30-60+):** Indicate high confidence; these bases are likely correct

**Lower Scores (Below 20):** Suggest uncertainty; these bases might be errors

Encoded as ASCII characters in FASTQ files

# Phred scores

<b>Phred Quality Score</b>	<b>Probability of incorrect base call</b>	<b>Base call accuracy</b>
10	1 in 10	90%
20	1 in 100	99%
30	1 in 1000	99.9%
40	1 in 10,000	99.99%
50	1 in 100,000	99.999%
60	1 in 1,000,000	99.9999%

(from Wikipedia)

# Phred scores

Symbol	Phred Quality Score	Probability of Incorrect Base Call
!	0	1.000
"	1	0.794
#	2	0.631
\$	3	0.501
%	4	0.398
&	5	0.316
'	6	0.251
(	7	0.199
)	8	0.158
*	9	0.126
+	10	0.100
,	11	0.079
-	12	0.063
.	13	0.050
/	14	0.040
0	15	0.032
1	16	0.025
2	17	0.020
3	18	0.016
4	19	0.013

5	20	0.010
6	21	0.008
7	22	0.006
8	23	0.005
9	24	0.004
:	25	0.003
;	26	0.002
<	27	0.002
=	28	0.001
>	29	0.001
?	30	0.001
@	31	0.0008
A	32	0.0006
B	33	0.0005
C	34	0.0004
D	35	0.0003
E	36	0.0002
F	37	0.0002
G	38	0.0002
H	39	0.0001
I	40	0.0001

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## **Post-variant filtering:**

### **Genotype level:**

- read depth
- genotype quality
- missing data

### **Site level:**

- missing data
- minor allele frequency (MAF) or minor allele count (MAC)
- Hardy-Weinberg
- Linkage disequilibrium
- total read depth



# Variant Call Format (vcf)

## Header with metadata

```
##fileformat=VCFv4.3
##fileDate=20090805
##source=myImputationProgramV3.1
##reference=file:///seq/references/1000GenomesPilot-NCBI36.fasta
##contig=<ID=20,length=62435964,assembly=B36,md5=f126cdf8a6e0c7f379d618ff66beb2da,species="Homo sapiens",taxonomy=x>
##phasing=partial
##INFO=<ID=NS,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Number of Samples With Data">
##INFO=<ID=DP,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Total Depth">
##INFO=<ID=AF,Number=A,Type=Float,Description="Allele Frequency">
##INFO=<ID=AA,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Ancestral Allele">
##INFO=<ID=DB,Number=0,Type=Flag,Description="dbSNP membership, build 129">
##INFO=<ID=H2,Number=0,Type=Flag,Description="HapMap2 membership">
##FILTER=<ID=q10,Description="Quality below 10">
##FILTER=<ID=s50,Description="Less than 50% of samples have data">
##FORMAT=<ID=GT,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Genotype">
##FORMAT=<ID=GQ,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Genotype Quality">
##FORMAT=<ID=DP,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Read Depth">
##FORMAT=<ID=HQ,Number=2,Type=Integer,Description="Haplotype Quality">
```

## Body with columns/data

CHROM	POS	ID	REF	ALT	QUAL	FILTER	INFO	FORMAT
NA00001		NA00002		NA00003				
20	14370	rs6054257	G	A	29	PASS	NS=3;DP=14;AF=0.5;DB;H2	
		GT:GQ:DP:HQ	0 0:48:1:51,51	1 0:48:8:51,51			1/1:43:5:..,	
20	17330	.	T	A	3	q10	NS=3;DP=11;AF=0.017	
		GT:GQ:DP:HQ	0 0:49:3:58,50	0 1:3:5:65,3			0/0:41:3	
20	1110696	rs6040355	A	G,T	67	PASS	NS=2;DP=10;AF=0.333,0.667;AA=T;DB	
		GT:GQ:DP:HQ	1 2:21:6:23,27	2 1:2:0:18,2			2/2:35:4	
20	1230237	.	T	.	47	PASS	NS=3;DP=13;AA=T	
		GT:GQ:DP:HQ	0 0:54:7:56,60	0 0:48:4:51,51			0/0:61:2	
20	1234567	microsat1	GTC	G,GTCT	50	PASS	NS=3;DP=9;AA=G	
		0/1:35:4	0/2:17:2		1/1:40:3			GT:GQ:DP

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	Name	Brief description (see the specification for details).
1	CHROM	The name of the sequence (typically a chromosome) on which the variation is being called. This sequence is usually known as 'the reference sequence', i.e. the sequence against which the given sample varies.
2	POS	The 1-based position of the variation on the given sequence.
3	ID	The identifier of the variation, e.g. a <a href="#">dbSNP</a> rs identifier, or if unknown a ". ". Multiple identifiers should be separated by semi-colons without white-space.
4	REF	The reference base (or bases in the case of an <a href="#">indel</a> ) at the given position on the given reference sequence.
5	ALT	The list of alternative <a href="#">alleles</a> at this position.

6	QUAL	A quality score associated with the inference of the given alleles.
7	FILTER	A flag indicating which of a given set of filters the variation has failed or PASS if all the filters were passed successfully.
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Site-level genotype quality score. Phred-scaled (i.e. you can interpret the numbers similarly, but NOT actually Phred scores). This is site-level quality, not individual.

QUAL = 20 → ~1% chance the variant is false

QUAL = 30 → ~0.1% chance

Higher = more confident variant call

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Often includes information about:

1. Site-level read depth (DP) – the sum of individual read depths)
2. Mapping Quality (MQ) – phred-scaled

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FORMAT column includes a Genotype Quality (GQ) measure that is per individual (phred scaled, assigned by the variant caller).

This is an individual genotype level measure!

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chr1 10583 . G A 29.77 PASS DP=14 GT:DP:GQ 0/1:12:35 0/0:14:42 1/1:8:20

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fish A G T C A A A G G G A A A G G G A A G A  
fish A G T C **T** A A G G G A A A G G G A **T** G A  
fish A G T C **T** A A G G **C** A A A G G G A A G A  
fish A G T C A A A G G G A A A G G G A A G A  
A G T C **T/A** A A G G **G/C** A A A G G G A **A/T** G A ← Called genotype

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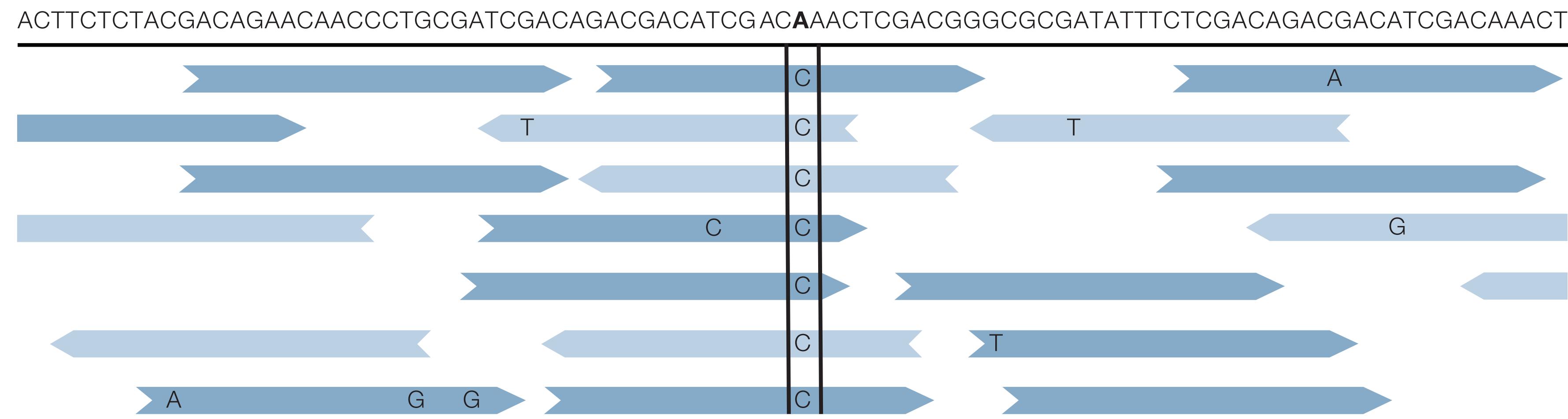


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