

# **Title**

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### **Objectives**

- Introduction to genomic databases: NCBI Virus, PathoPlexus and GISAID
- Comparison between the databases
- Use PathoPlexus to search and download MPXV data (meta and sequencing)
- Use NCBI Virus to search for other (non-MPXV) viruses

# What is a genomic database?

- A collection of nucleic acid sequences for any organism (human, virus, bacterial, etc)
- Database also contain meta (non-sequencing) data that is very important.
- Used every day, genomic databases power:
  - NCBI BLAST
  - Nextstrain/Nextclade
  - Primer design
  - Surveillance reporting
  - And many more

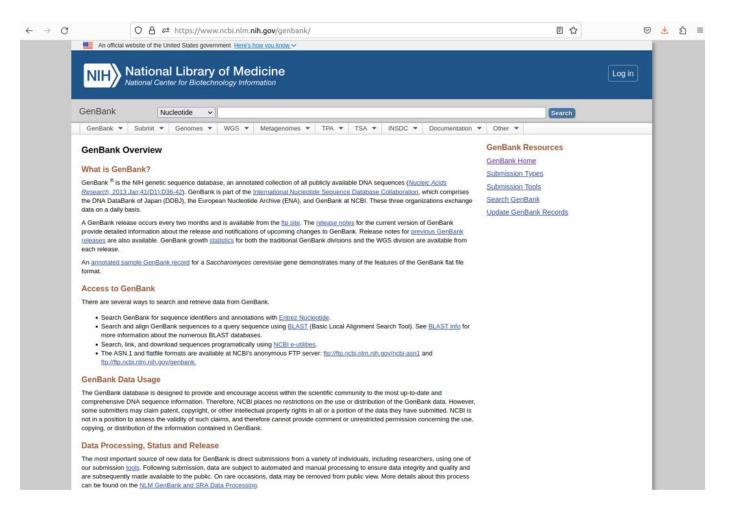
### **Databases for Viruses**

#### General database:

- The INSDC (International Nucleotide Sequence Database Collaboration) - same data different interface
  - NCBI
  - ENA
  - DDBJ
- Virus specific:
  - NCBI Virus
  - GISAID
  - PathoPlexus

Note: there are many different databases, we will only focus on the most relevant to MPXV

### **INSDC - NCBI**



NCBI has many databases:

- Genbank/Nucleotide Consensus sequences
- RefSeq curated reference sequences
- SRA raw read sequencing data
- Taxonomy Taxnomic data
- PubMed Publications

NCBI also has lots of bioinformatics tools such as BLAST.

- Allows for uploading a variety of data.
- Disadvantages include sometimes complex data uploading process.
- But simplified for key organsims:
  - SC2
  - Influenza
  - MPXV
  - others

# GISAID - Global Initiative on Sharing Avian Influenza Data

**GISAI** 

- Established to provide access to genomic data of influenza viruses.
- Expanded to include the SC2, RSV, MPXV, and other viruses.
- Simplifies uploading of sequencing and metadata
- Provides protection for data creators by forcing users to credit in public work.
- Not open access but open registration

### **PathoPlexus**



- Pathoplexus is a new, open-source database for sharing of human viral pathogen genomic data.
  - Uses NCBI Genbank data
- Simplifies uploading viral data.
  - Deposits sequences back into NCBI
- Provides strong protection for data generators
  - users can choose to share their data openly, or with time-limited protections to help ensure proper attribution and credit.
- Free to download data without an account
- Need an account to upload
- Supports different viruses: MPXV, RSV, Ebola, HMPV

### **NCBI Virus**

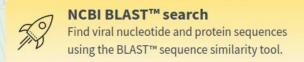
- Uses the sequencing data of NCBI Genbank/Nucleotide
- User friendly interface
- Allows for bulk downloads of viral data
- Not for uploading only for access

#### **NCBI Virus**

Community portal for viral sequence data from RefSeq, GenBank and other NCBI repositories.

To find, retrieve and analyze data, please select an option below.





Search GenBank virus/viroid sequences and explore metadata in Results Table with advanced filtering and data visualizations options

Begin typing a virus name, viral taxonomy group, or taxid to select from a list of suggestions.

#### Popular searches

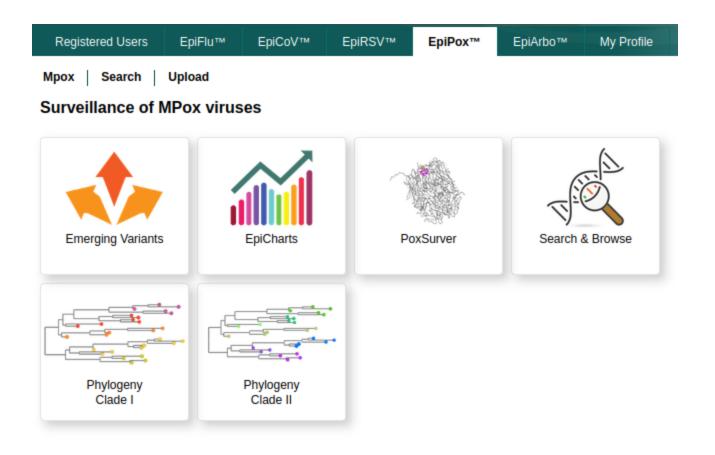
### Which database to use and when?

- For sharing MPXV sequencing data your choice:
  - PathoPlexus
  - GISAID
- For bulk download data:
  - NCBI Virus or PathoPlexus are easiest to access
  - GISAID downloading can be complicated due to slow speeds and limitation on download (generally 5000 sequences)

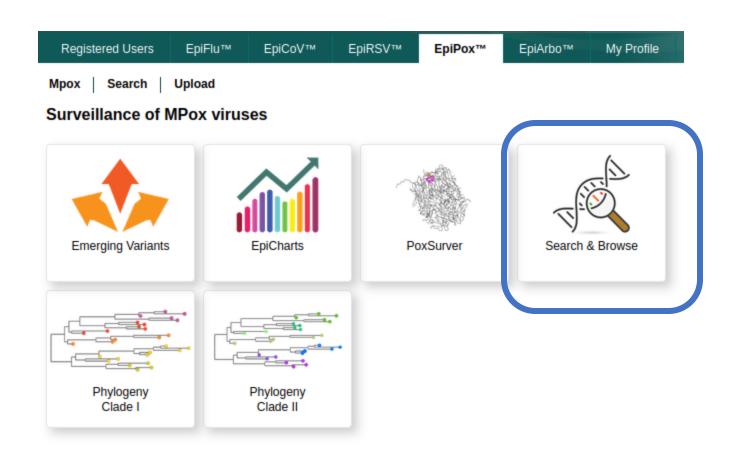
### Demonstration of each database.

# **Demo: Using GISAID for MPXV**

Website: www.gisaid.org



# **Demo: Using GISAID for MPXV - Searching**



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### **Demo: GISAID - Download data**

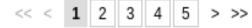
Note: There is a limit on the number of sequences you can download.

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#### **Demo: GISAID - Download data**

Total: 480 viruses





#### Download Sequences (FASTA) Format Patient status metadata Sequencing technology metadata Dates and Location Replace spaces with underscores in FASTA header For Acknowledgement and Data Availabilty use the EPI SET data generator Back Download

#### Most important:

- Sequences (FASTA) option for consensus sequences (.fasta)
- Dates and Locations (.csv)

Click Download to begin downloading. It can take a long time to download.

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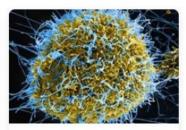
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Ebola Sudan

166 sequences

+0 in last 30 days



Ebola Zaire

3,698 sequences

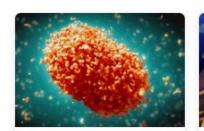
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**HMPV** 

12,215 sequences

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**Mpox Virus** 

10,520 sequences

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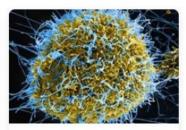
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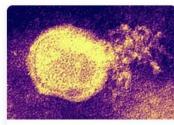
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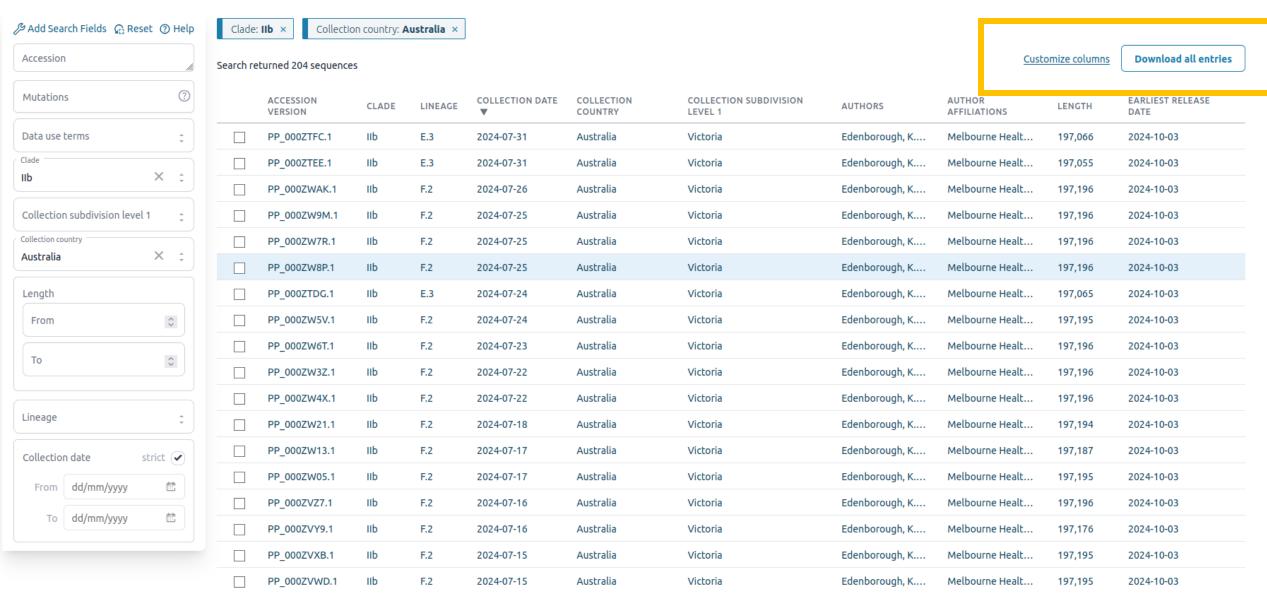


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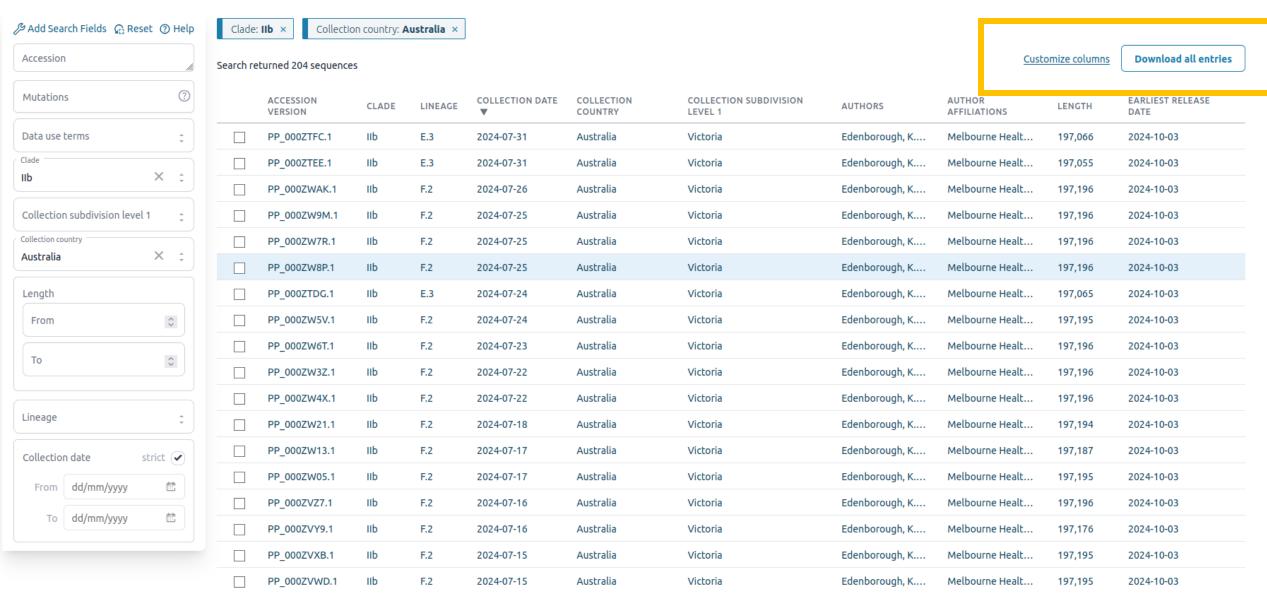
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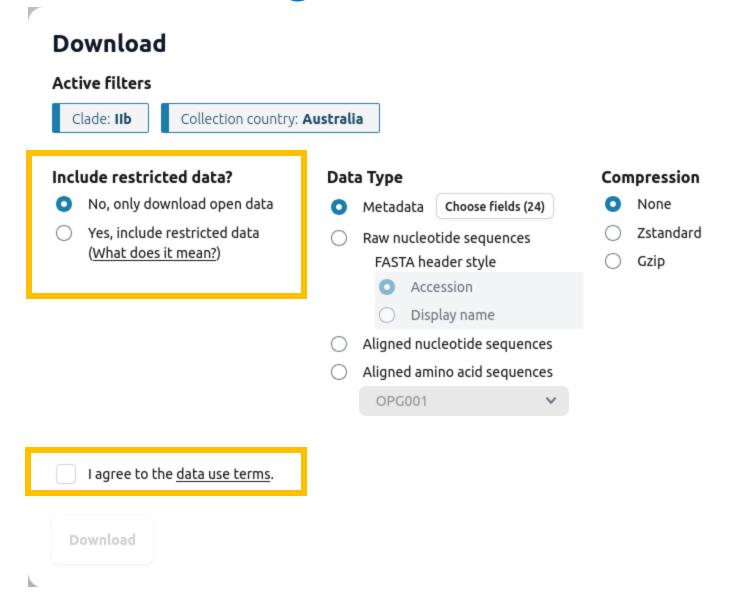
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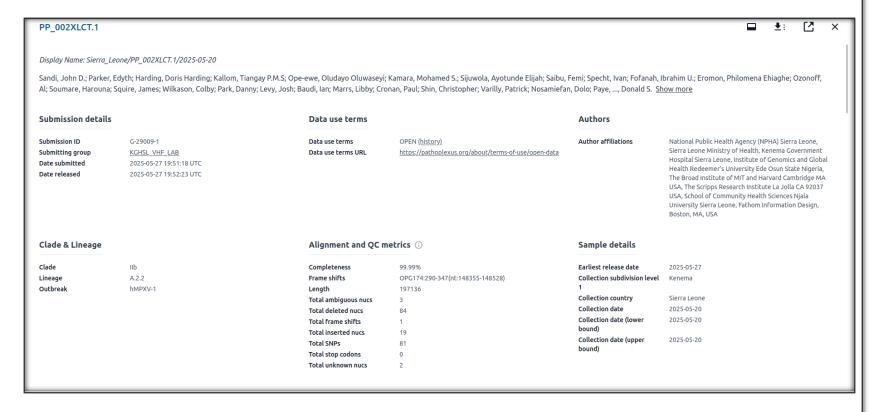
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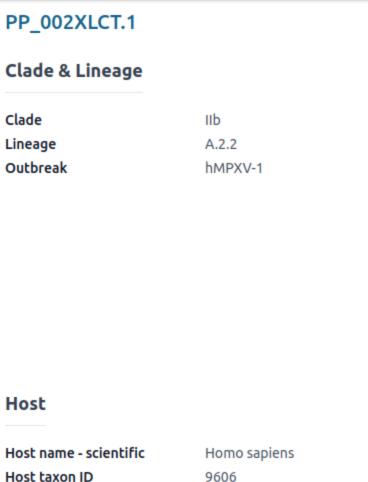
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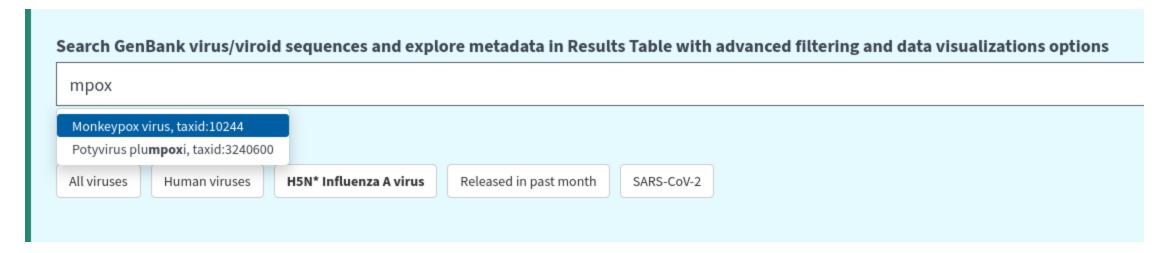
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#### **Demo: NCBI Virus**

Website: <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/labs/virus/vssi/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/labs/virus/vssi/</a>



Note: NCBI Virus and PathoPlexus can potentially have the exact same data. PathoPlexus will deposit sequences in NCBI on the submitter's behalf after a specified period of time.

### **Demo: NCBI Virus**

