

SNP calling

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Genotype matrix

		Marker Set Dimension						...
		rs10001	rs10002	rs10003	rs10004	rs10005	rs10006	
Sample Set Dimension	Sample1	AA	GG	CC	AC	GG	CC	Genotype Dimension
	Sample2	AA	GG	CT	AC	CG	CC	
	Sample3	AT	GG	TT	AA	CG	TT	
	Sample4	TT	GG	TT	AA	GG	CC	
	Sample5	AA	GG	TT	AA	GG	TT	
	Sample6	AA	GA	CC	AC	GG	CC	
	Sample7	AT	GG	CC	CC	GG	CC	
	Sample8	AA	GG	CT	AA	GG	CT	
...								

Genotype matrix: Samples x SNPs

SNPs and errors

A change in a read may due to:

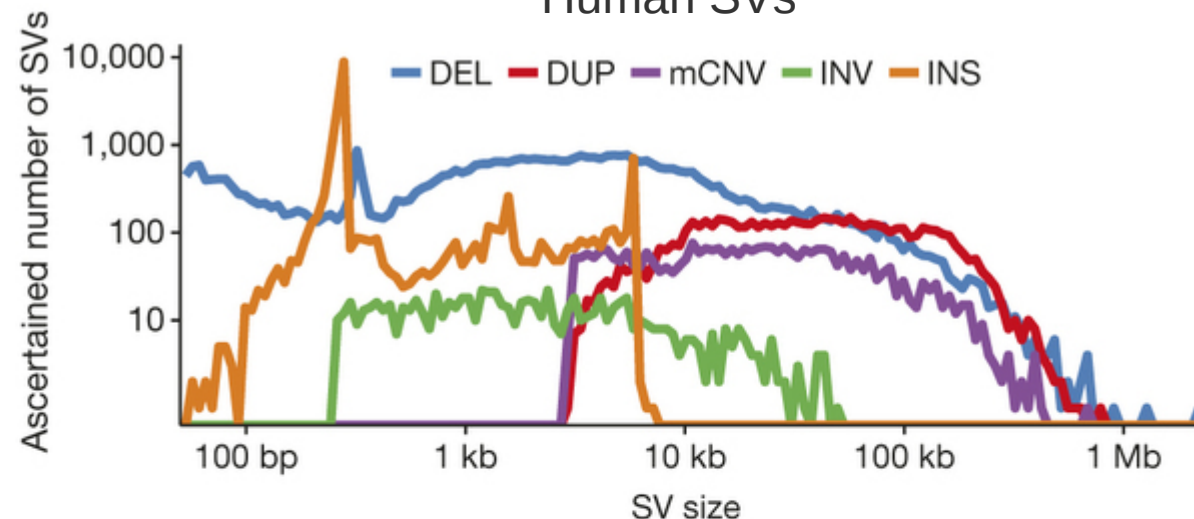
- Sample contamination
- Cloning or PCR artifacts
 - Homopolymer stuttering
 - Hexamers in RNASeq libraries
- Sequencing errors
- Mapping errors
 - Problems related to structural variants
 - Alignment errors
- Reference genome errors
- Real SNVs

Two kinds of errors:

- False positives
- False negatives

Structural variants
are frequent!!!

Human SVs



SNP calling errors

In a Hiseq 2500 line there are

if $Q = 30$:

- 150 millions of sequencing errors



SNP calling alignment errors

```
Ref      ...aggtttttataaaac---aattaagtctacagagcaacta...
Sample   ...aggtttttataaaacAAATaattaagtctacagagcaacta...
Read1    ...aggtttttataaaac****aaAtaa
Read2    ....ggtttttataaaac****aaAtaaTt
Read3    .....ttataaaacAAATaattaagtctaca.....
read4    CaaaT****aattaagtctacagagcaac.....
read5    aaT****aattaagtctacagagcaact.....
read6    T****aattaagtctacagagcaacta....
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Strategies to mitigate this problem:

- Fix the problem.
 - GATK, GLIA realignment.
 - It realigns the problematic regions (lots of SNPs or some indels).
 - Computationally slow.
 - It does not fix all problems.
- Avoid using the misaligned positions.
 - Samtools BAQ (calmd).
 - For each position It calculates the probability of being misaligned.
 - Avoid read ends

SNP callers

Simple algorithms based on:

- Allele counts in reads
- Allele rate
- Total coverage

Complex bayesian algorithms add

- Hardy-Weimberg equilibrium
- Linkage disequilibrium

More common SNP callers:

- GATK
- Freebayes

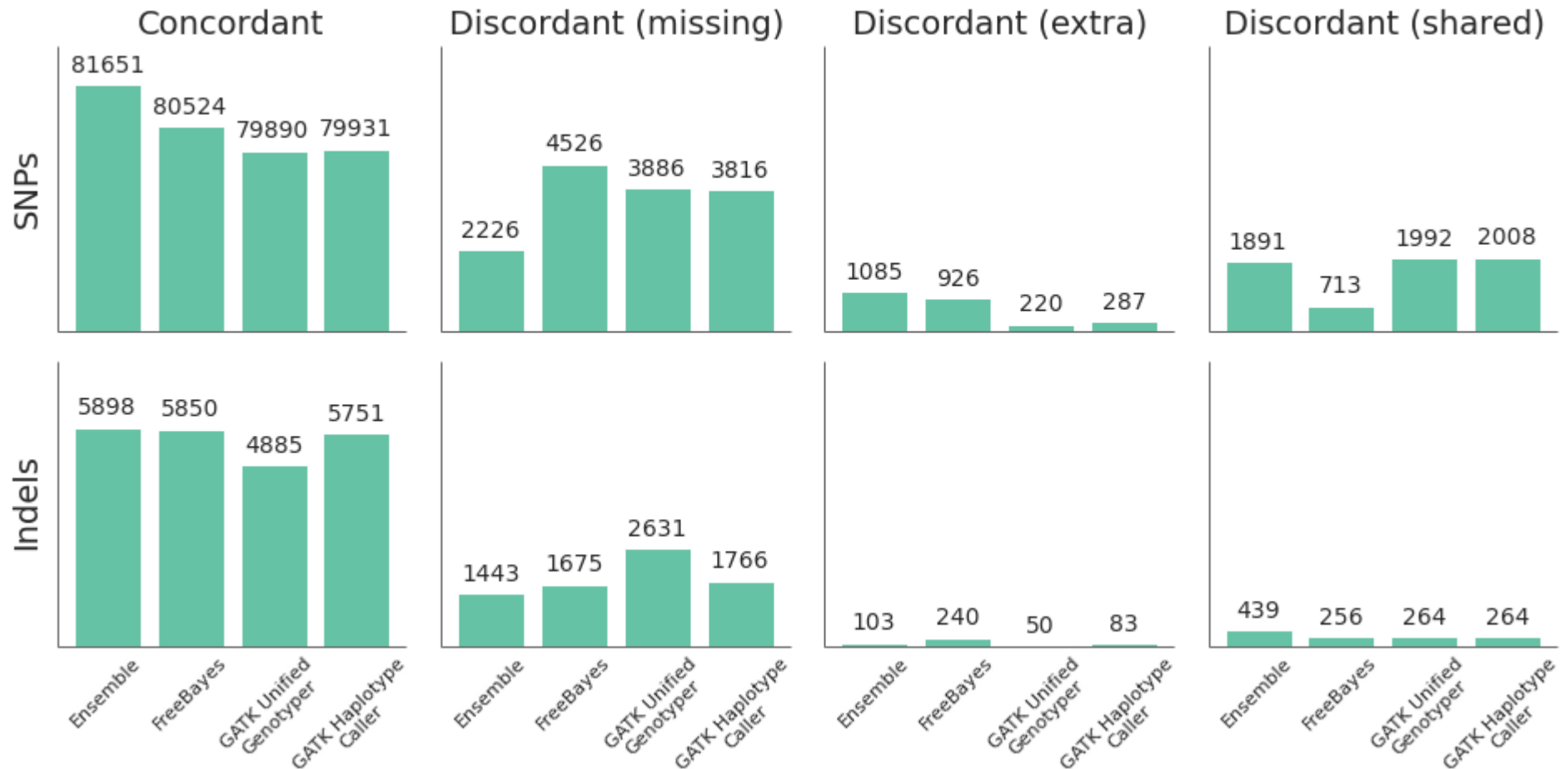
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Brad Chapman has a very interesting piece comparing the use of aligners and SNP callers.

- de-duplication with Picard MarkDuplicates, GATK base quality score recalibration and GATK realignment
- Minimal post-processing, with de-duplication using samtools rmdup and no realignment or recalibration.
- FreeBayes (v0.9.9.2-18): A haplotype-based Bayesian caller from the Marth Lab.
- GATK UnifiedGenotyper (2.7-2): GATK's widely used Bayesian caller.
- GATK HaplotypeCaller (2.7-2): GATK's more recently developed haplotype caller which provides local assembly around variant regions

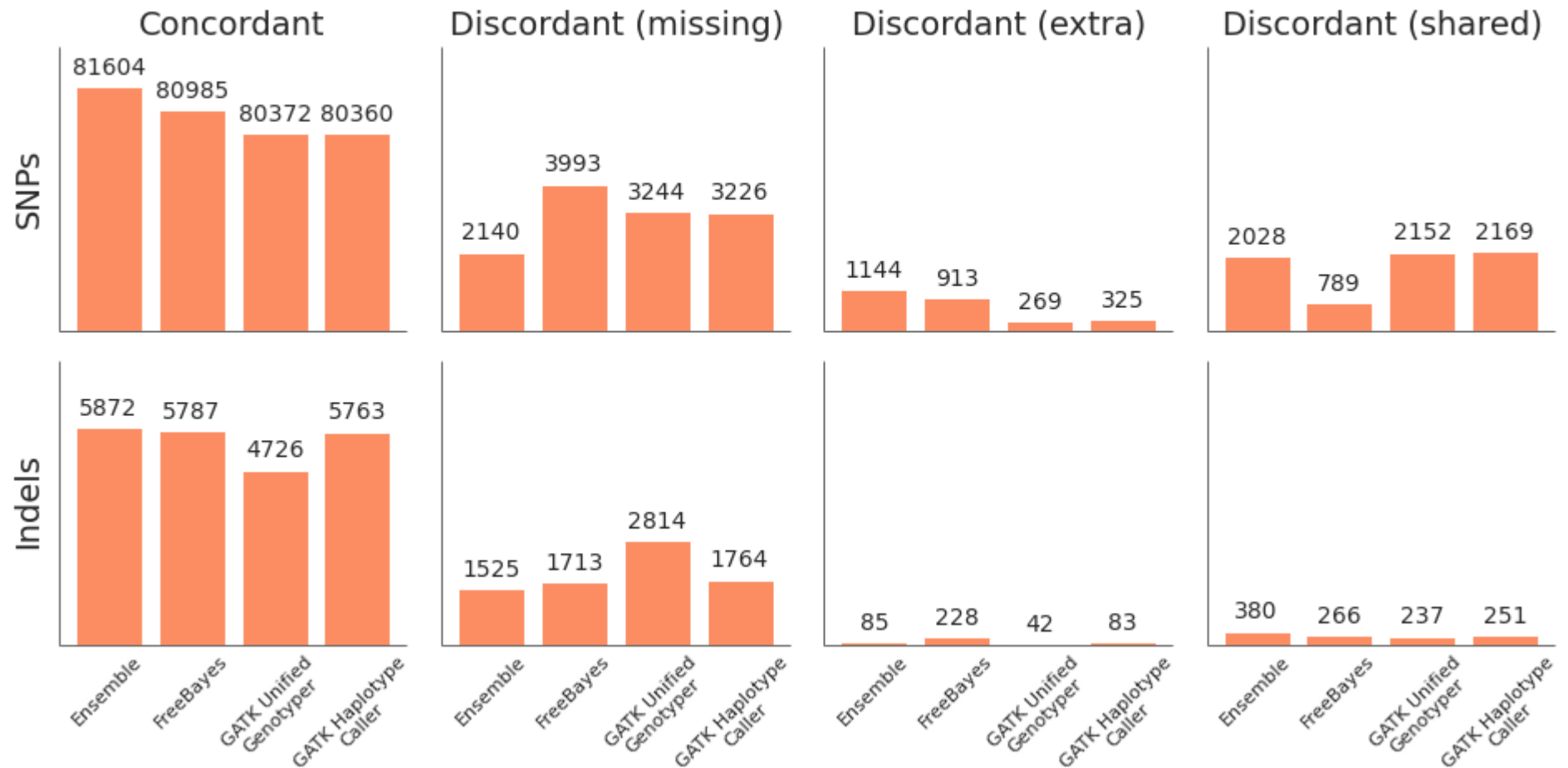
SNP calling

GATK best-practice BAM preparation (recalibration, realignment)



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Minimal BAM preparation (samtools de-duplication only)



Required coverage

Depends:

- Confidence required
 - SNP vs Genotypes
 - Clinical diagnosis vs marker search
- Sample complexity
 - Diploid
 - Polyploid
 - Pooled samples
 - Heterogeneous cancer
- Ploidy
- Population structure
 - e.g. F2 population vs random mating population

SNP quality assessment

% of missing calls per SNP

SNP depth or Genotype depth

SNP observed heterozygosity

SNP quality

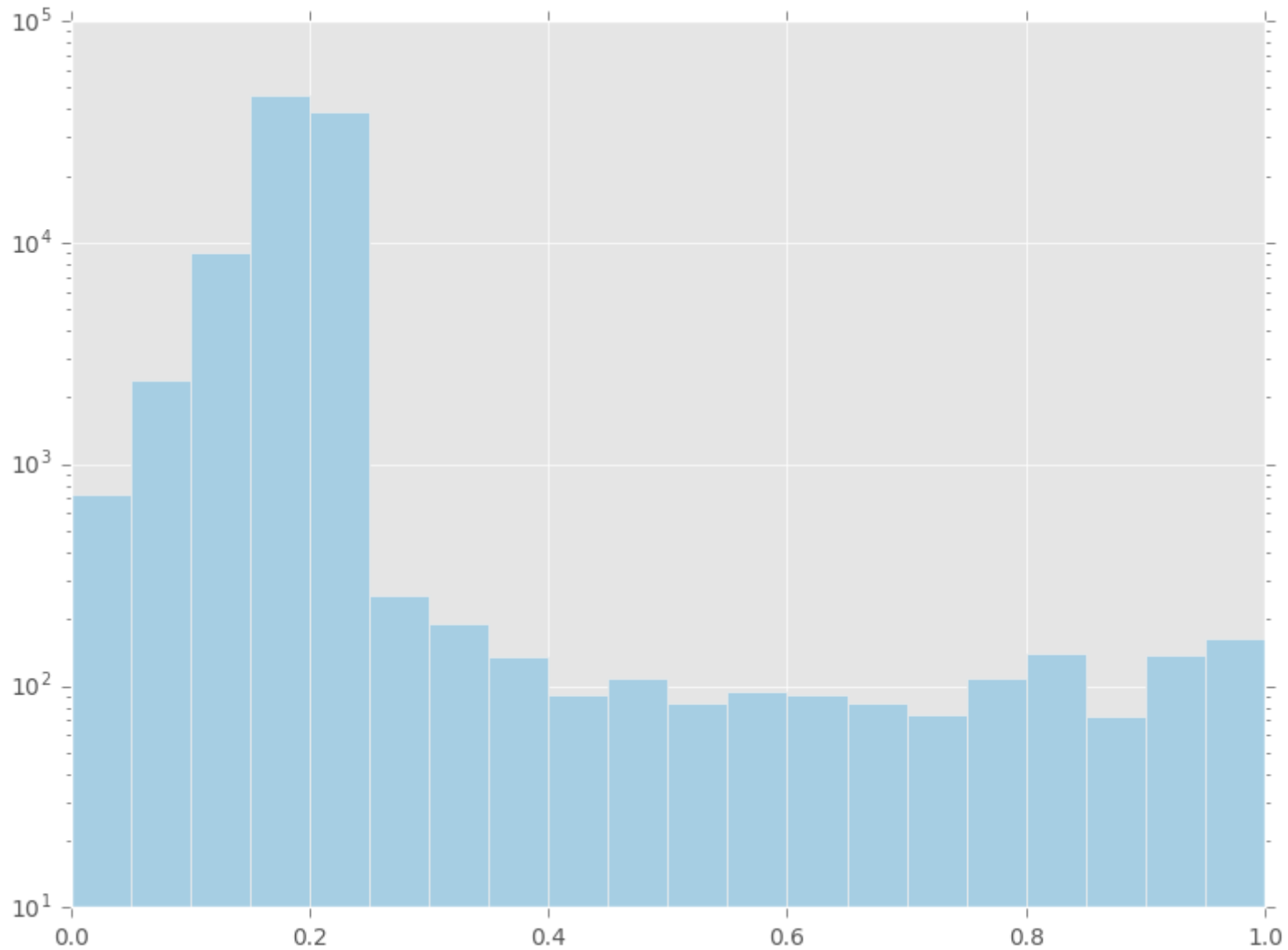
SNP density

Sample depth

% of missing calls per sample

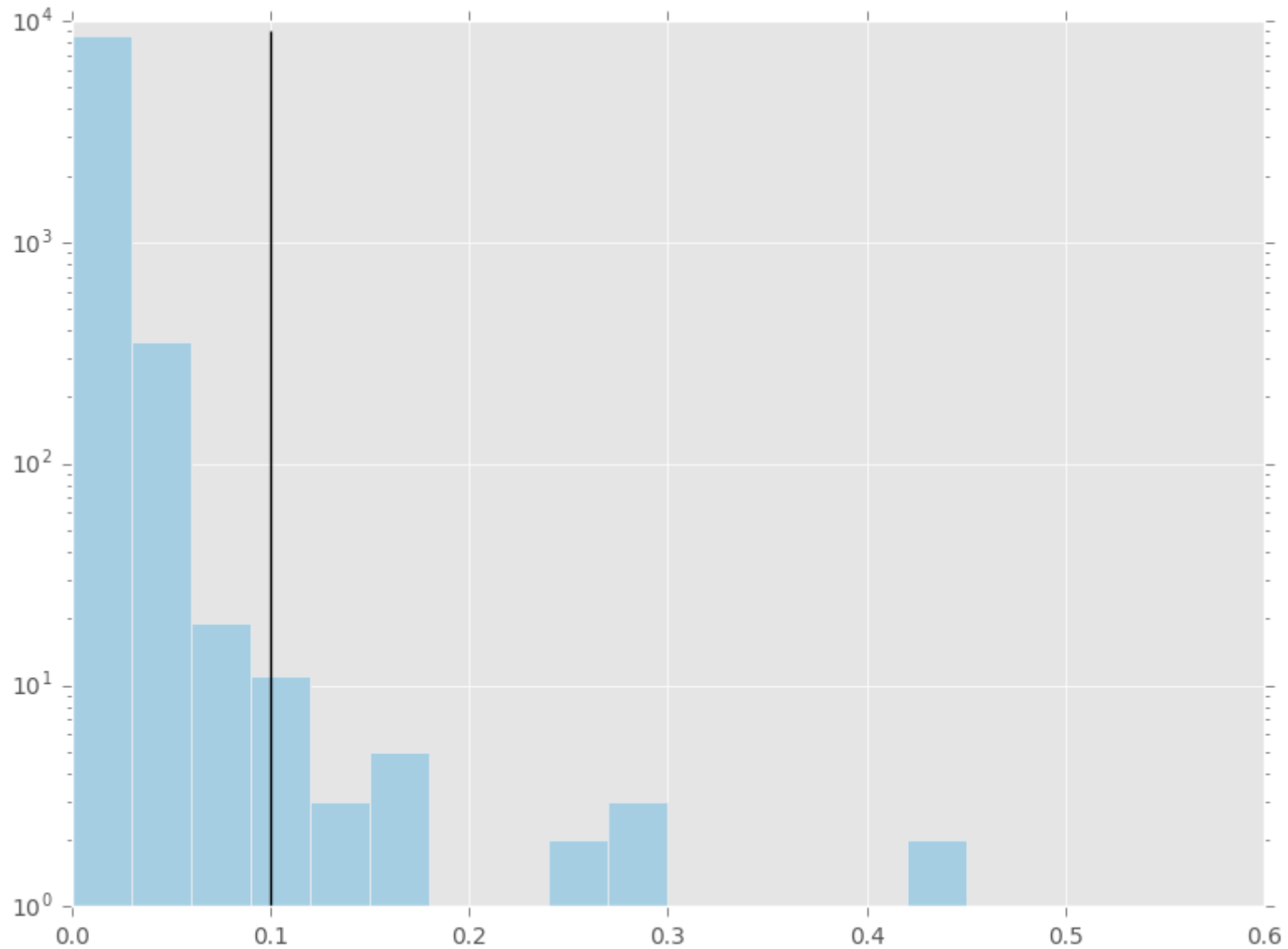
Sample observed heterozygosity

SNP quality assessment



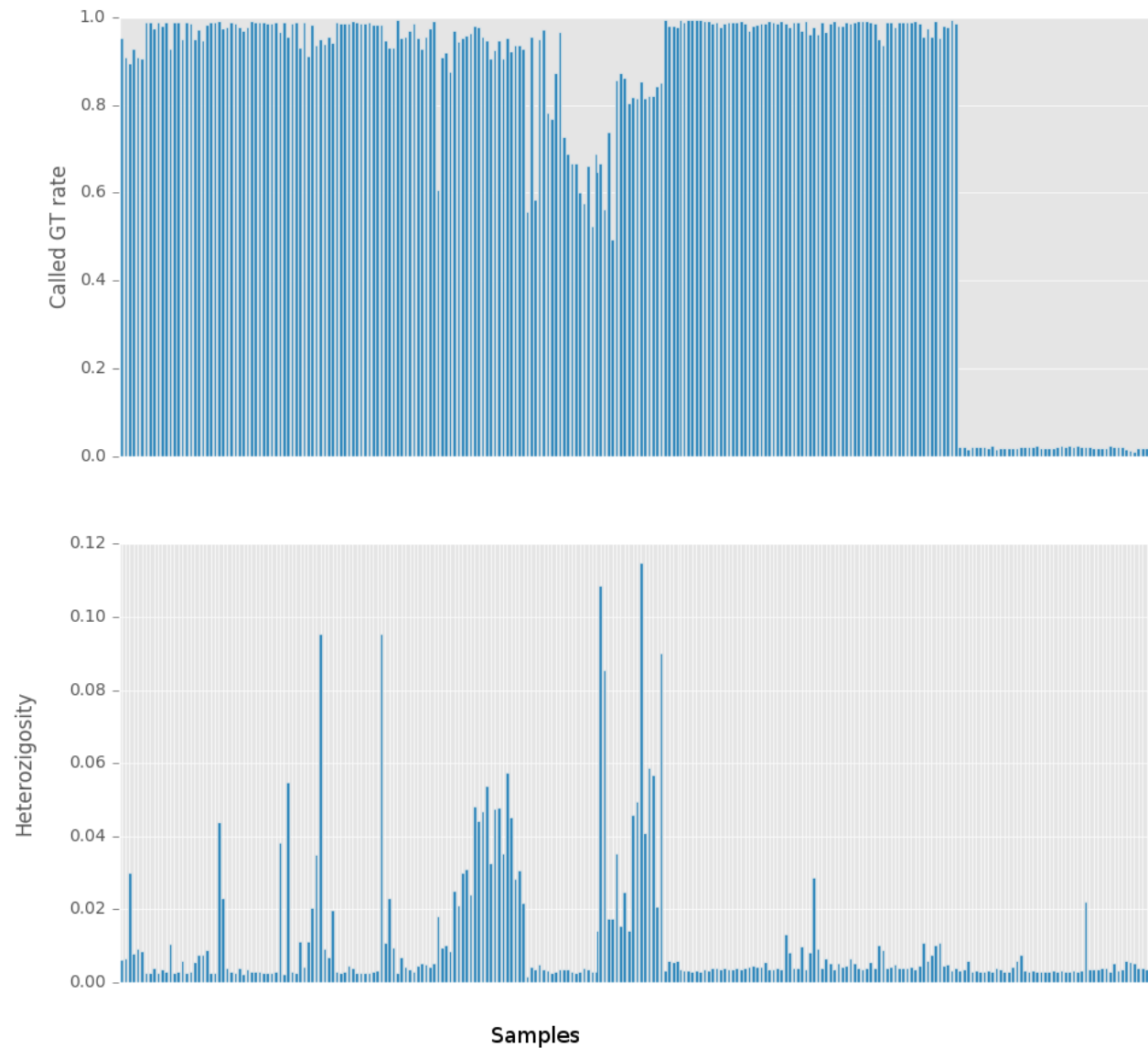
Number of SNPs called at different missing rates

SNP quality assessment



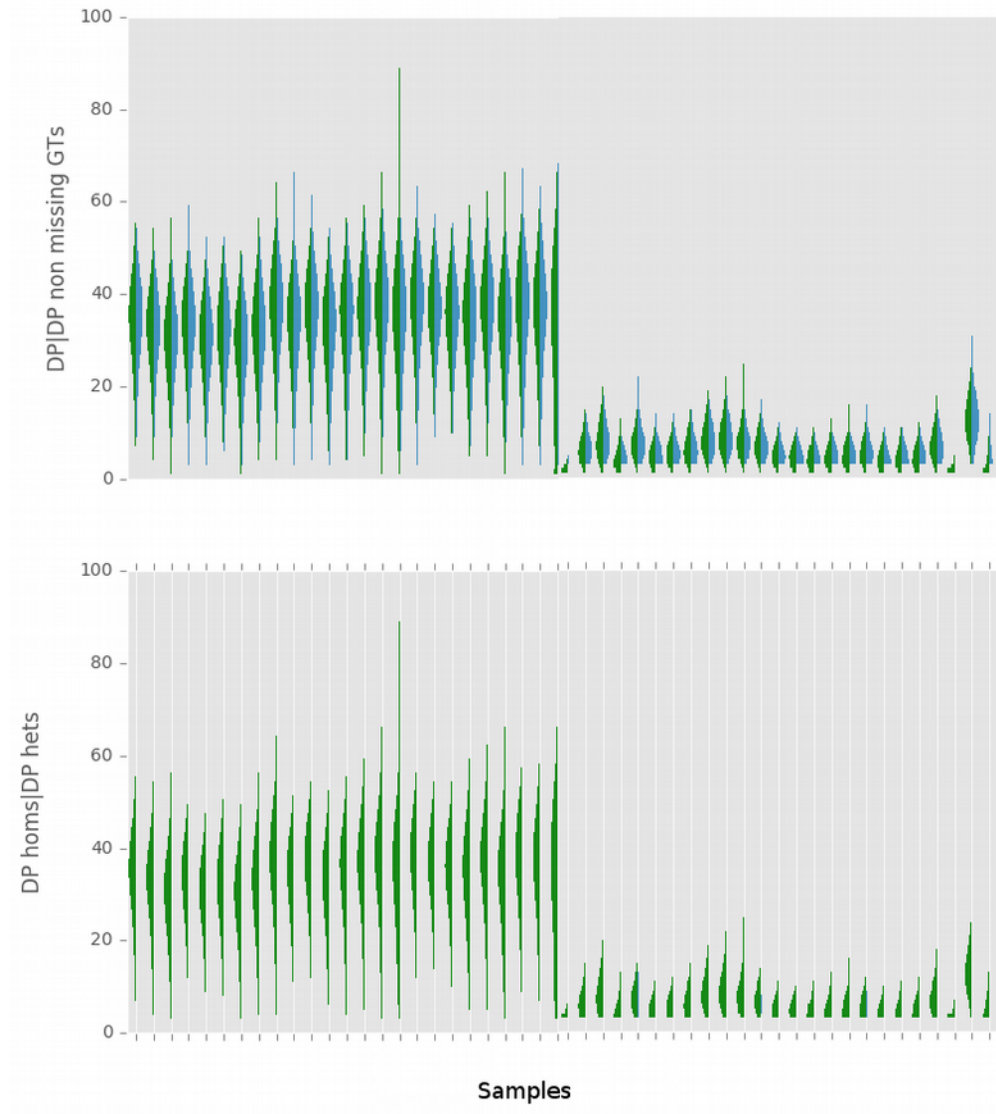
Number of SNPs with different observed heterozygosities

SNP quality assessment



Observed heterozygosity and called GT rate per sample

SNP quality assessment



Depth distributions per sample for all genotype calls and for the non-missing genotype calls

SNP filtering

Filtering the SNPs after the SNP calling is a critical task.

The objective is to remove false positives, but keeping the correct SNPs.

The filters and parameters depend of the data and the application.

Vcftools, vcffilter, Annovar...

Home-made filters



SNP filtering

SNPs Low quality:

SNP callers usually assign a quality (probability) to the SNPs. We can filter out the SNPs with lower qualities.

Genotype Low quality:

It is also possible to filter out not SNPs, but genotypes. In this case the genotype is usually set to not determined

Missing data:

We could filter the SNPs with large amount of missing genotypes.

SNP filtering

Number of alleles:

It is possible to remove the monomorphic SNPs or to filter out the SNPs that are not biallelic.

Minor (or Major) Allele Frequency (MAF):

Observed Heterozygosity:

High heterozygosities in populations are suspicious

SNP filtering

High Coverage:

SNPs with an excessive coverage can be false positives due to duplicated regions in the sequenced sample not found in the reference genome.

Highly Variable Region:

Having regions with too many SNPs it is also a sign that we are piling up reads from repeated regions.

Low Complexity Region:

It has been shown that due to problems with the PCR and the alignment the low complexity regions are particularly prone to false positive SNPs.

SNP filtering

Linkage Disequilibrium:

If we have genotype a segregant population it could be useful to filter out the SNPs that are not in linkage disequilibrium with their closest SNPs.

Kind

We can filter the SNVs according to its type: SNV, indel, complex or structural variation.

SNP filtering

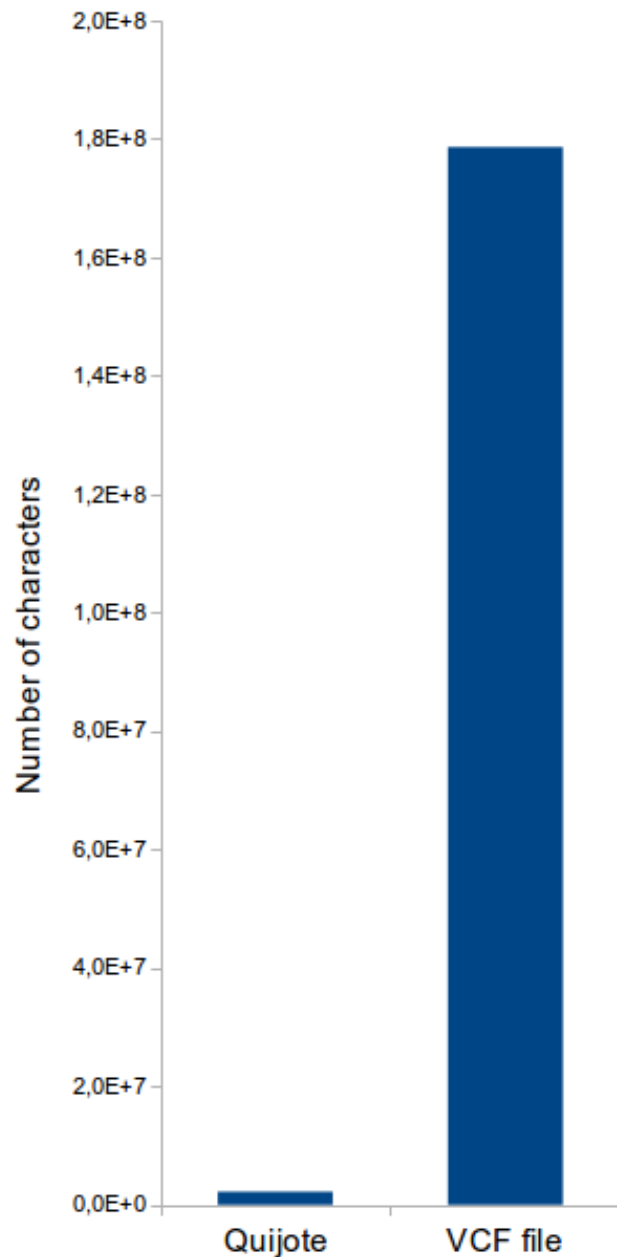
Aminoacid change:

We can select the SNPs with large impacts in the coded proteins.

By genome localization:

We can choose SNPs in a determinate region or kind of features (exon, UTR....)

SNP annotation



NHLBI Exome Sequencing Project (ESP)
Exome Variant Server

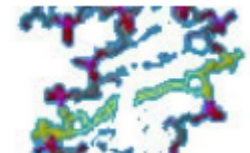


1000 Genomes

A Deep Catalog of Human Genetic Variation



dbSNP
Short Genetic Variations



SNP annotation

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Genetic Variation in an Individual Human Exome

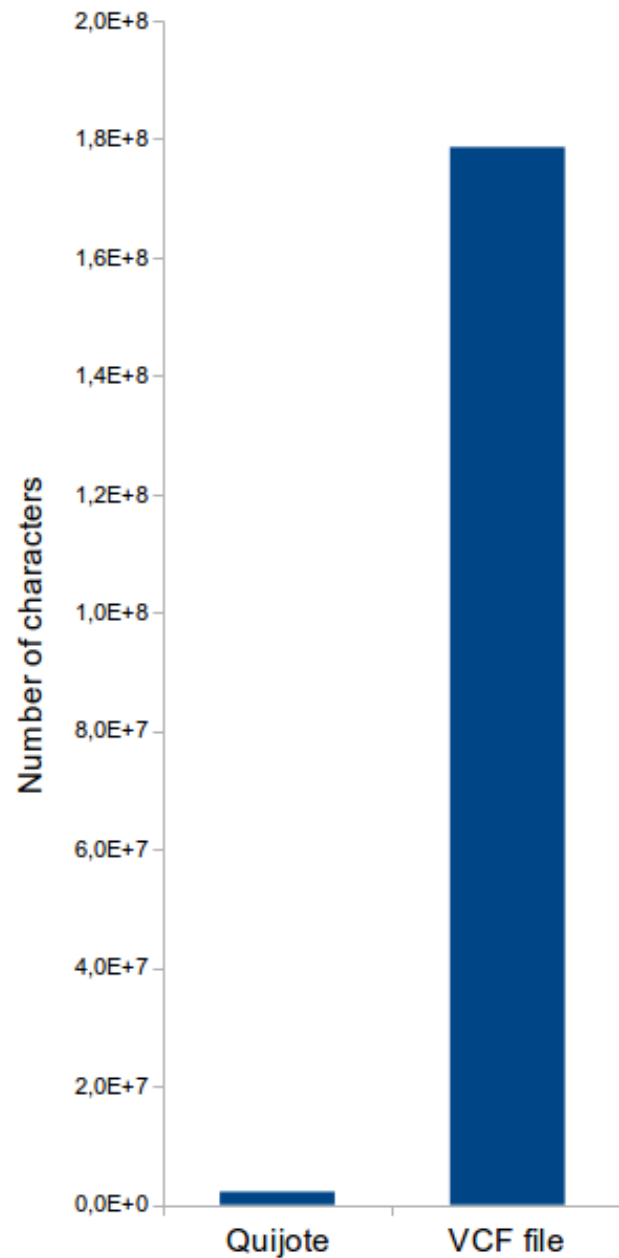
Pauline C. Ng, Samuel Levy, Jiaqi Huang, Timothy B. Stockwell, Brian P. Walenz, K...

Synonymous			10,413
Heterozygous	Novel		551
	dbSNP		5,183
Homozygous	Novel		98
	dbSNP		4,581
Nonsynonymous			10,389
Heterozygous*	Novel		557
	dbSNP		5,047
Homozygous	Novel		215
	dbSNP		4,570

* All heterozygous novel nonsynonymous SNPs were manually inspected (see Methods).

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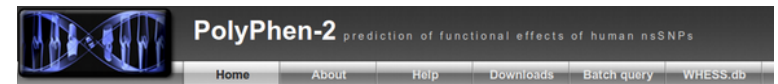
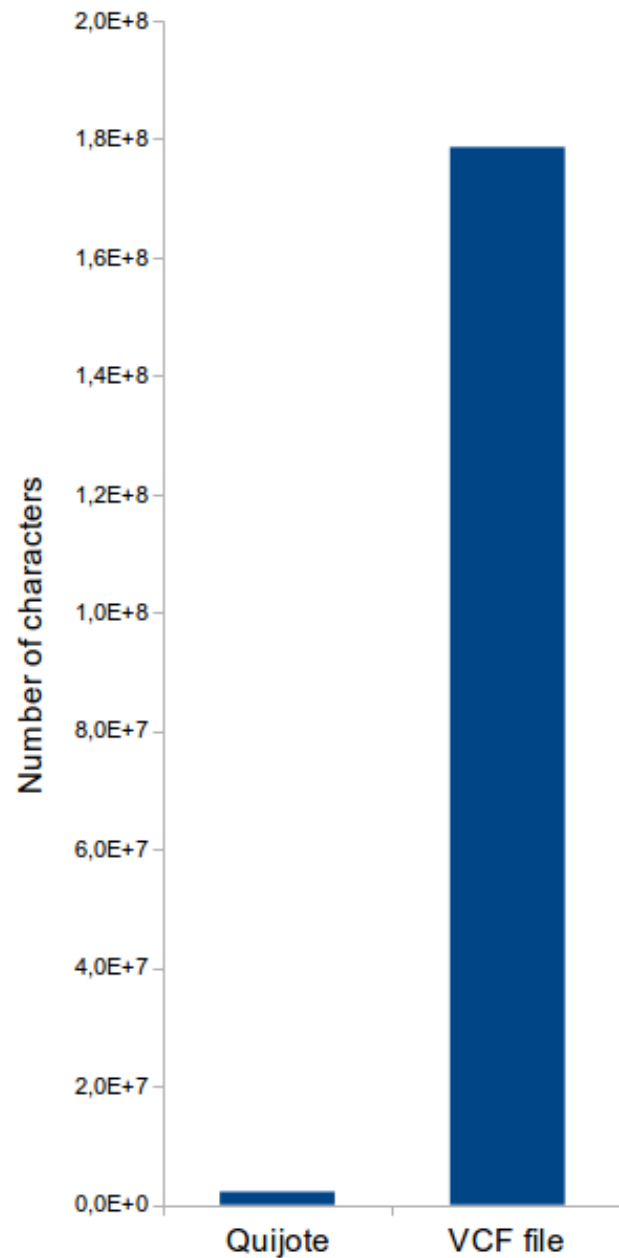
Mutation filtering



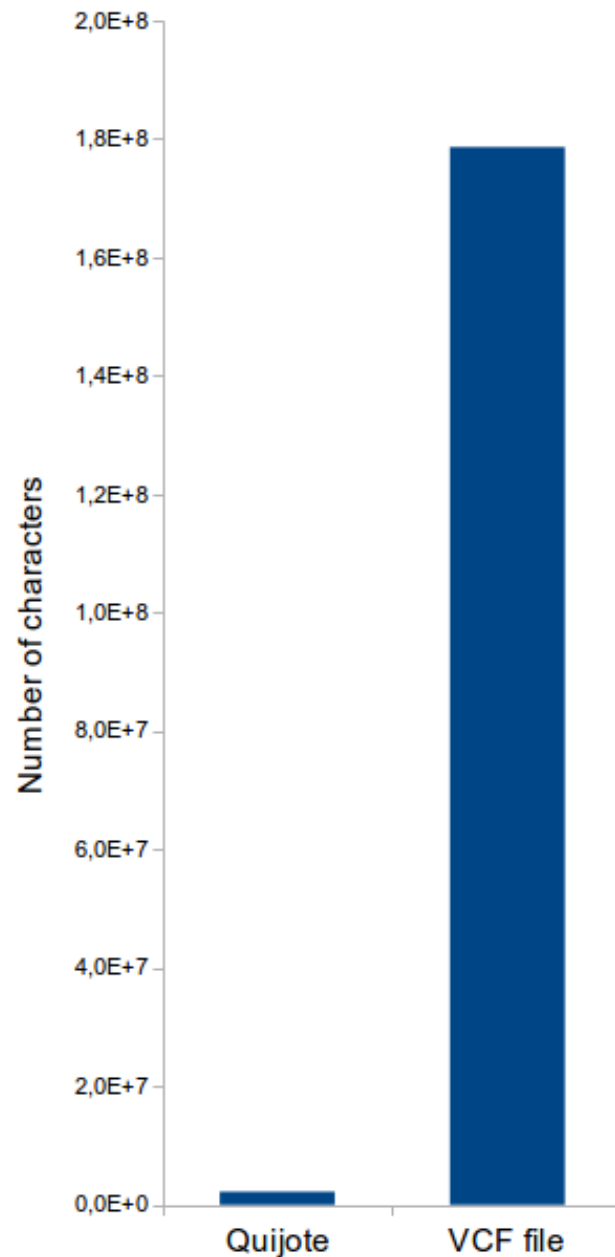
NEW



Mutation filtering



Mutation filtering



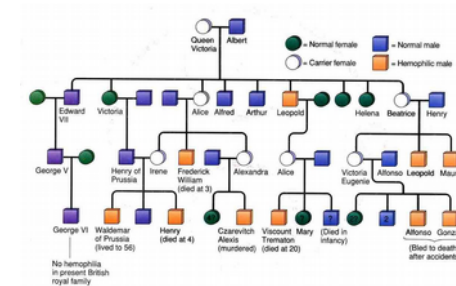
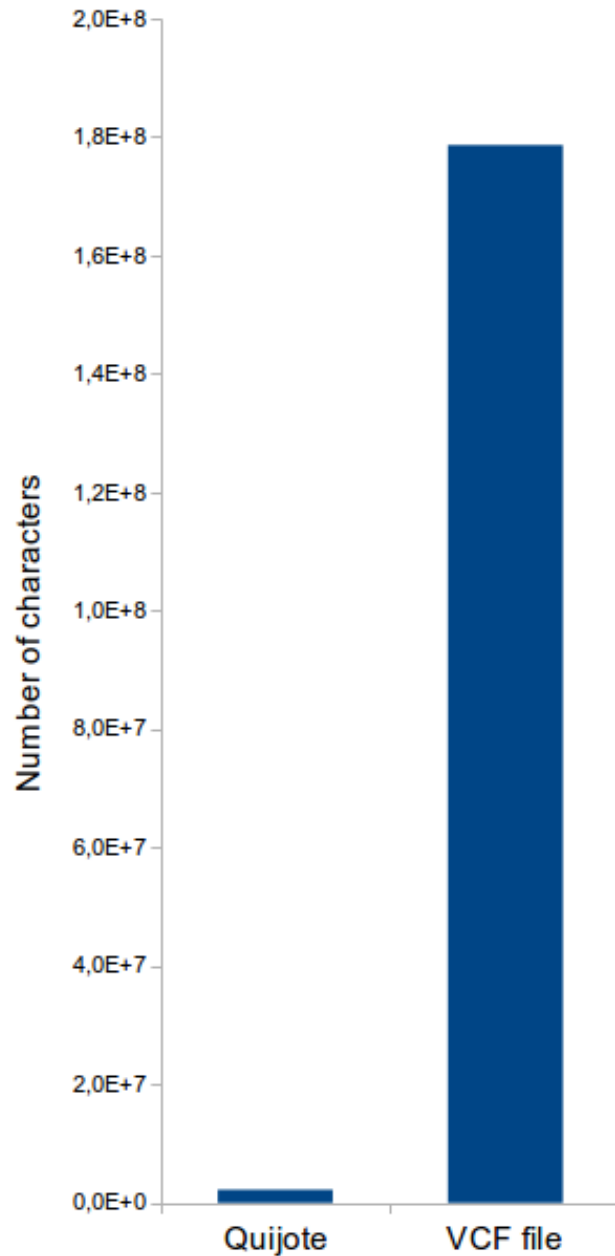
SeattleSeq Annotation 138

AnnTools

SnpEff

Genetic variant annotation and effect prediction toolbox.

Mutation filtering



File format: VCF

VCF header

```
##fileformat=VCFv4.0
##fileDate=20100707
##source=VCFtools
##reference=NCBI36
##INFO=<ID=AA,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Ancestral Allele">
##INFO=<ID=H2,Number=0,Type=Flag,Description="HapMap2 membership">
##FORMAT=<ID=GT,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Genotype">
##FORMAT=<ID=GQ,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Genotype Quality (phred score)">
##FORMAT=<ID=GL,Number=3,Type=Float,Description="Likelihoods for RR,RA,AA genotypes (R=ref,A=alt)">
##FORMAT=<ID=DP,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Read Depth">
##ALT=<ID=DEL,Description="Deletion">
##INFO=<ID=SVTYPE,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Type of structural variant">
##INFO=<ID=END,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="End position of the variant">
```

Mandatory header lines

Optional header lines (meta-data about the annotations in the VCF body)

Body

#CHROM	POS	ID	REF	ALT	QUAL	FILTER	INFO	FORMAT	SAMPLE1	SAMPLE2
1	1	.	ACG	A,AT	.	PASS	.	GT:DP	1/2:13	0/0:29
1	2	rs1	C	T,CT	.	PASS	H2;AA=T	GT:GQ	0 1:100	2/2:70
1	5	.	A	G	.	PASS	.	GT:GQ	1 0:77	1/1:95
1	100	.	T		.	PASS	SVTYPE=DEL;END=300	GT:GQ:DP	1/1:12:3	0/0:20

Deletion

SNP

Large SV

Insertion

Other event

Reference alleles (GT=0)

Alternate alleles (GT>0 is an index to the ALT column)

Phased data (G and C above are on the same chromosome)

File format: VCF

SNPs

Alignment	VCF representation		
ACGT	POS	REF	ALT
AtGT	2	C	T

Insertions

Alignment	VCF representation		
AC-GT	POS	REF	ALT
ACtGT	2	C	CT

Deletions

Alignment	VCF representation		
ACGT	POS	REF	ALT
A--T	1	ACG	A

Complex events

Alignment	VCF representation		
ACGT	POS	REF	ALT
A-tT	1	ACG	AT

Large structural variants

VCF representation			
POS	REF	ALT	INFO
100	T		SVTYPE=DEL;END=300

File format: GFF

Based on a sequence ontology

Annotation of regions in sequences

```
##gff-version 3
##sequence-region ctg123 1 1497228
ctg123 . gene 1000 9000 . + . ID=gene00001;Name=EDEN
ctg123 . TF_binding_site 1000 1012 . + . ID=tfbs00001;Parent=gene00001
ctg123 . mRNA 1050 9000 . + . ID=mRNA00001;Parent=gene00001;Name=EDEN.1
```

File format: BED

Annotation of regions in sequences

```
chr22 1000 5000 cloneA 960 + 1000 5000 0 2 567,488, 0,3512  
chr22 2000 6000
```

The BED format uses 0-based coordinates for the starts and 1-based for the ends. So the 1st base on chromosome 1 would be:

```
chr1      0      1      first_base
```