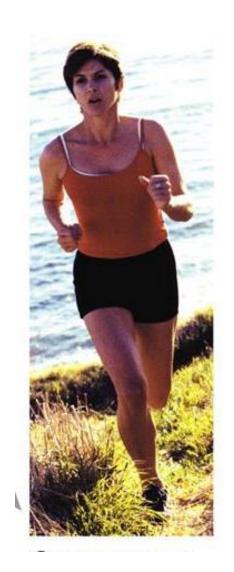


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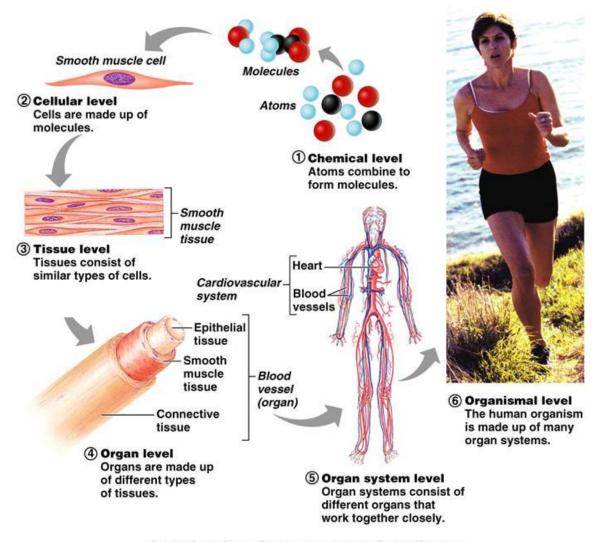
What happens with the human body when you are running?



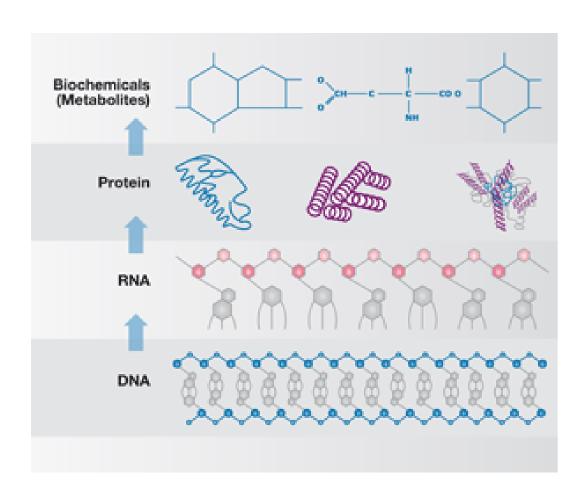
Organ systems work together

- Skeletal system- supports the skeleton
- Muscular system pulls on the bones to enable you to move
- Respiratory system makes sure your muscles have enough oxygen for respiration
- Circulatory system- provides oxygen and glucose to the skeletal muscle cells

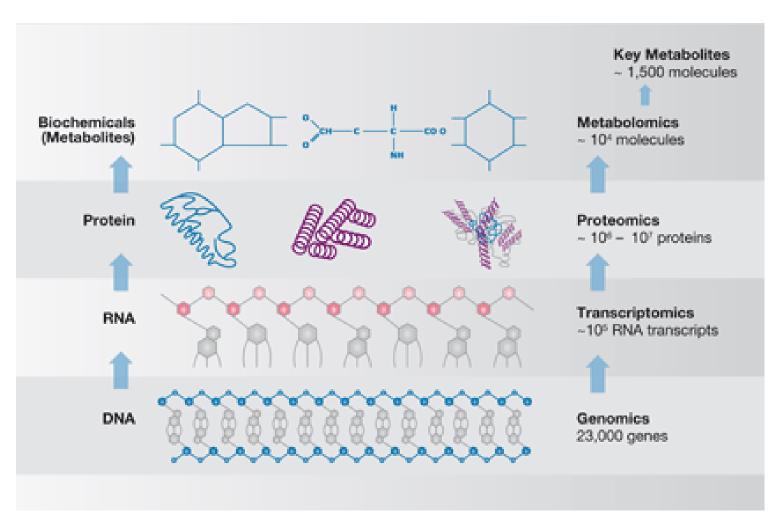
Human body structure



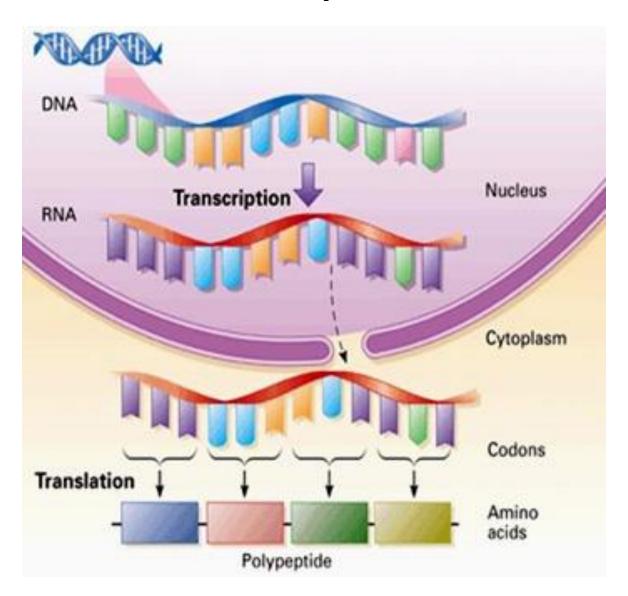
(Bio)Molecules Individual players are important



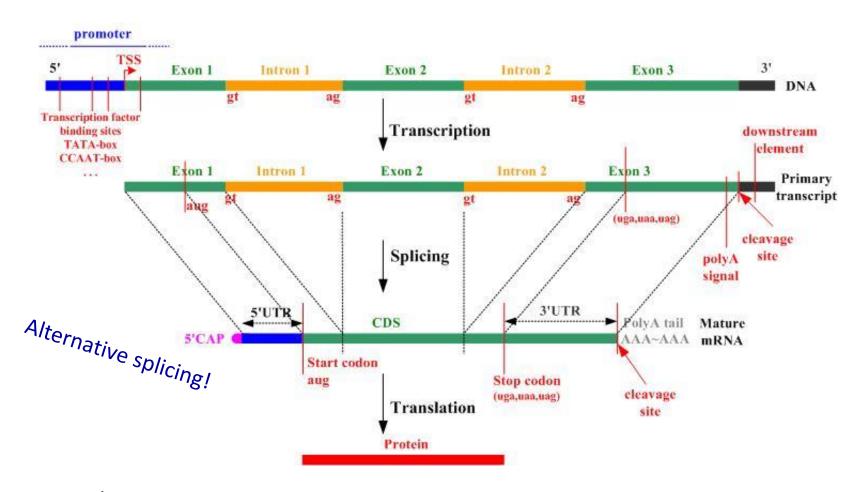
Heaps of knowledge on biomolecules online available.



Protein synthesis



Gene structure



CDS = Coding DNA Sequence UTR = UnTranslated region

GOAL

To understand biological sequence databases

- Which biological sequence databases are available?
- How can you find information in these databases?
- What is the content of the databases?
- What is Gene Ontology?
- Two projects aimed at deciphering the content of the human genome, the human genome project & ENCODE.

What is a database

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gfT7EGibry
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Genes in stead of persons

Name	Identifier	Sequence	Synonyms	Chromosomal location	Disease	Many more
Gene 1	2456	AGTCCCGT	DAH, HSD	4q12	Cancer	
Gene2	4333	CGGTAACT	HGR	7p10	Diabetes	
Gene 3	6799	AGTCGGCGGG				
etc						



All the available information is stored in databases!

Biological sequence databases

Originally – just a storage place for sequences.

Currently – the databases are bioinformatics work bench which provide many tools for retrieving, comparing and analyzing sequences.

1. Global nucleotide/protein sequence storage databases:

- GenBank of NCBI (National Center for Biotechnology Information)
- The European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) database
- The DNA Data Bank of Japan (DDBJ)

2. Genome-centered databases

- NCBI genomes
- Ensembl Genome Browser
- UCSC Genome Bioinformatics Site

3. Protein Databases

UniProt

Lecture protein structures

NCBI nucleotide databases

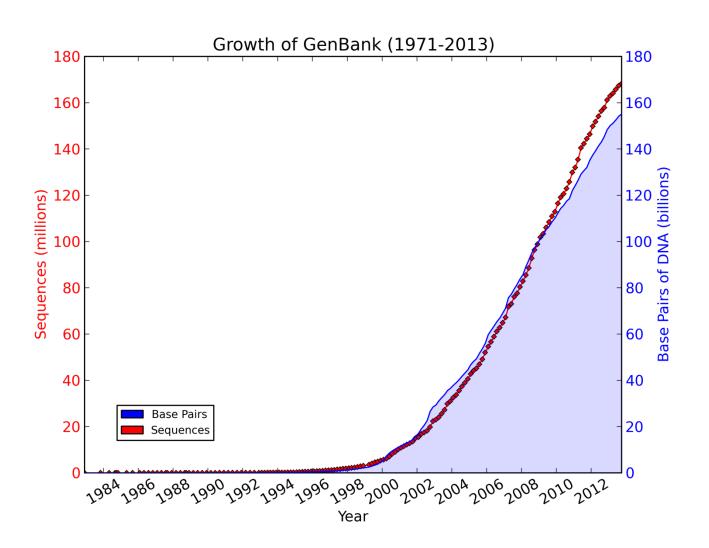
GenBank

- Individual submissions (DNA, mRNA, eiwit)
- Bulk submissions (Genome centers)
 - High throughput sequencing (DNA)
 - Expressed Sequence Tags (mRNA)

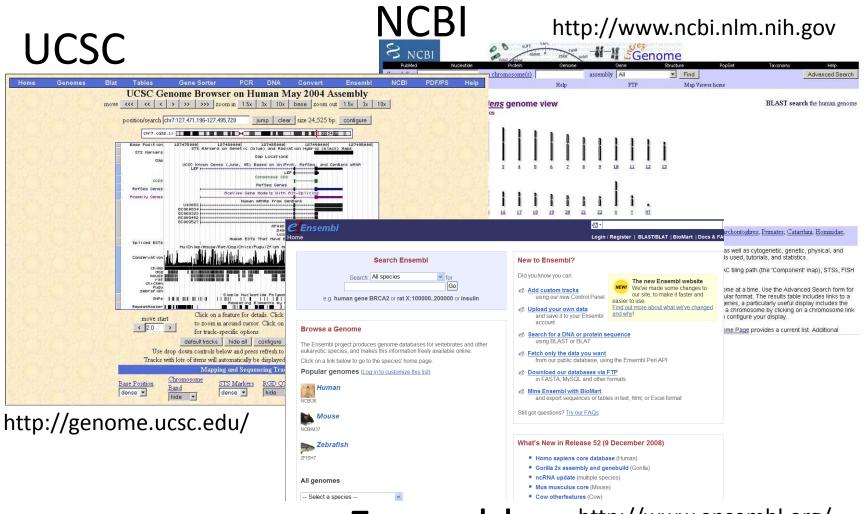
RefSeq

- Curated subset of GenBank
- "Reference" sequence
- Single sequence per locus / molecule

Growth of GenBank

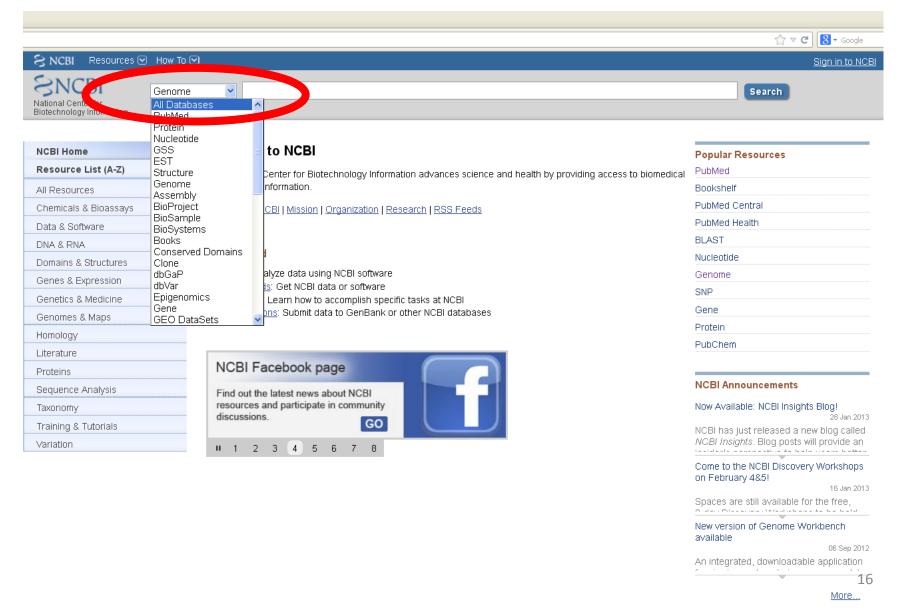


Genome-centered databases



Ensembl http://www.ensembl.org/

NCBI homepage



NCBI Global Cross-database search

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gquery/

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Sign in to NCE

Genes

EST	expressed sequence tag sequences
Gene	collected information about gene loci
GEO Data Sets	functional genomics studies
GEO Profiles	gene expression and molecular abundance profiles
HomoloGene	homologous gene sets for selected organisms
PopSet	sequence sets from phylogenetic and population studies
UniGene	clusters of expressed transcripts

Genome genome sequencing projects by organism

GSS genome survey sequences

Nucleotide DNA and RNA sequences

Probe sequence-based probes and primers

SNP short genetic variations

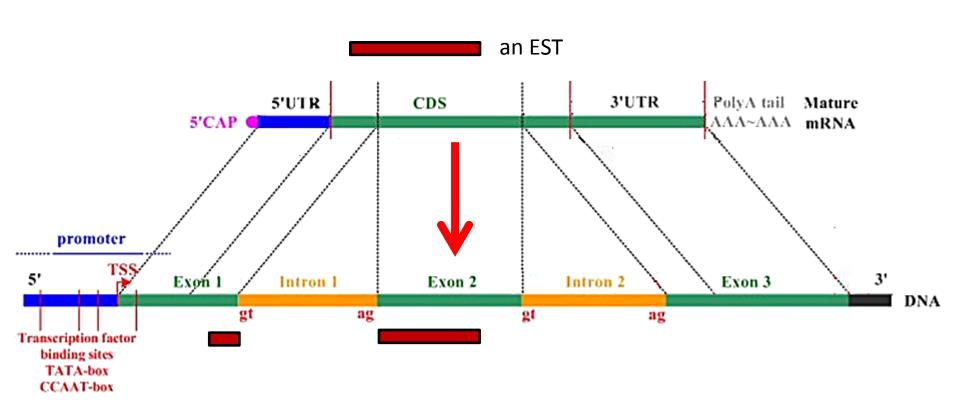
SRA high-throughput DNA and RNA sequence read archive

Taxonomy taxonomic classification and nomenclature catalog

UniGene

- EST:
 - DNA sequence corresponding to mRNA from expressed gene
 - ~500 base pairs long
 - Sequenced from a cDNA library
- Predict genes based on ESTs (expressed sequence tags)
- Cluster ESTs from many cDNA libraries to predict distinct genes

Map mRNA (EST) back to DNA



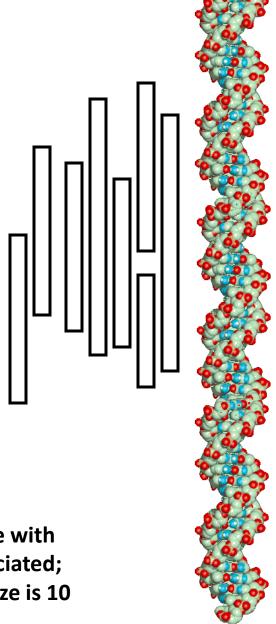
EST clusters

This is a gene with

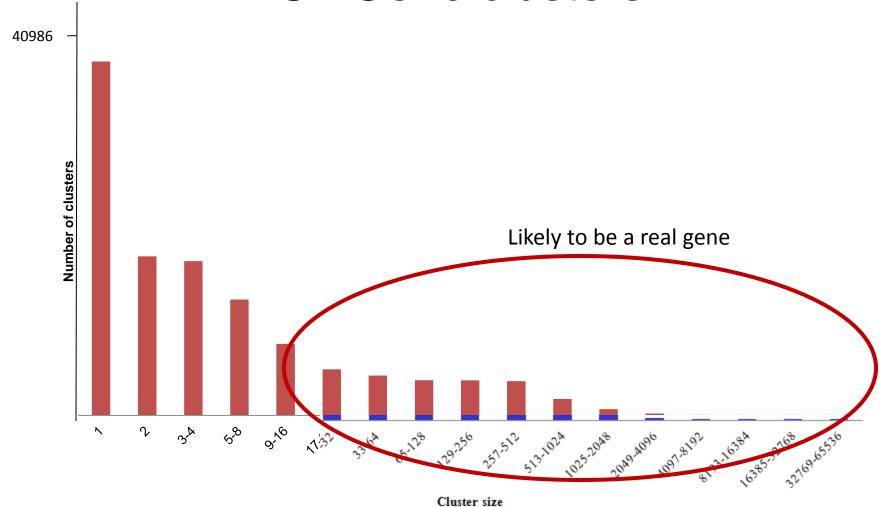
1 EST associated;

the cluster size is 1

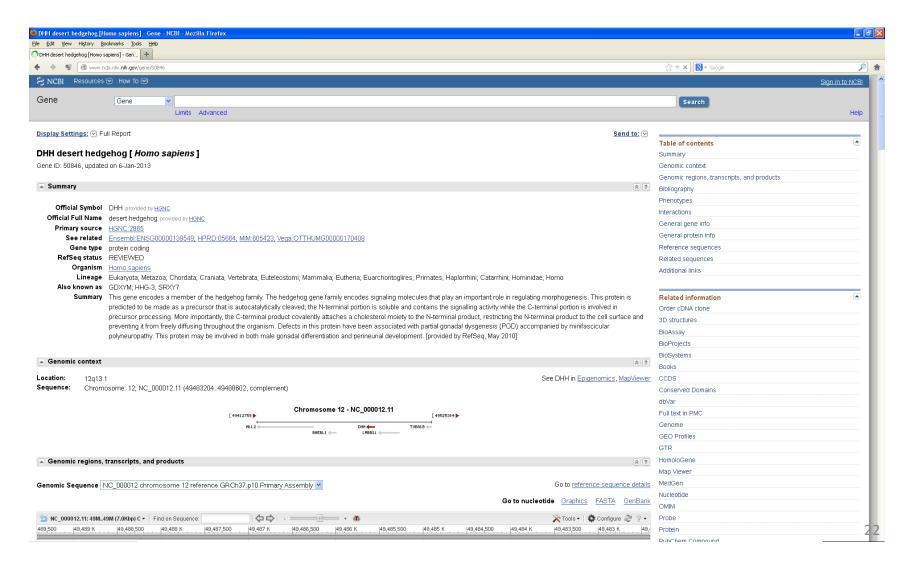
This is a gene with 10 ESTs associated; the cluster size is 10



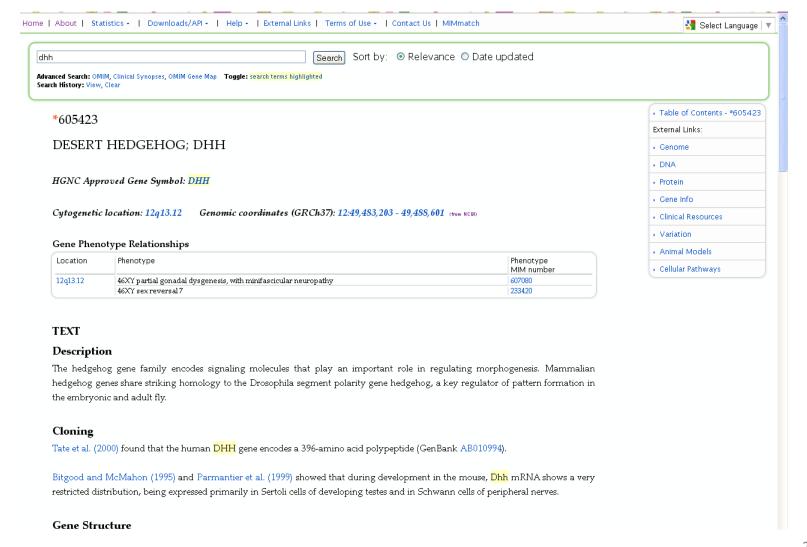
UniGene clusters



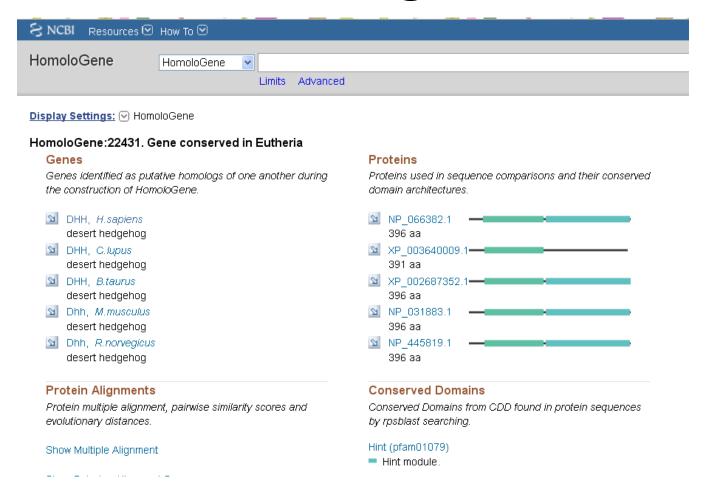
Gene (NCBI) DHH as example



OMIM (NCBI)

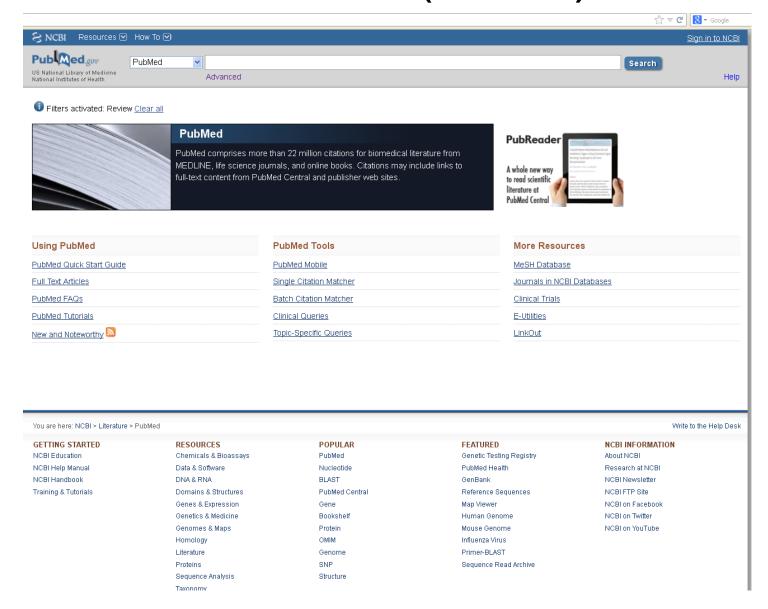


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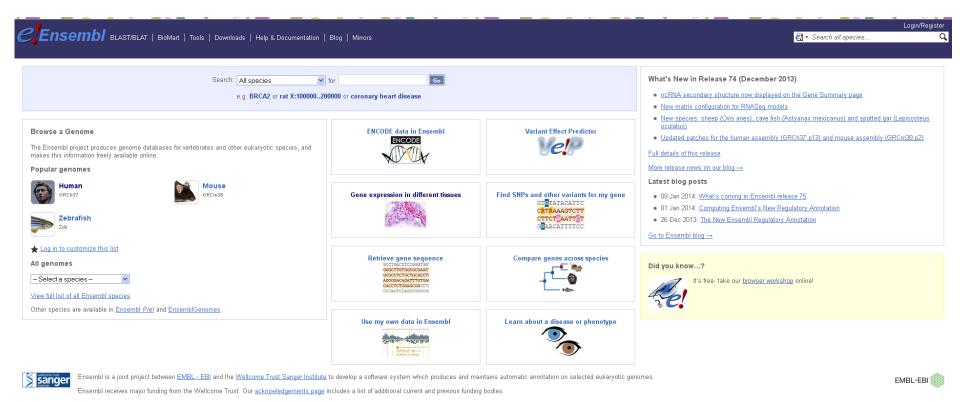


Homologue = One of a group of similar DNA sequences that share a common ancestry.

PubMed (NCBI)



Ensembl homepage

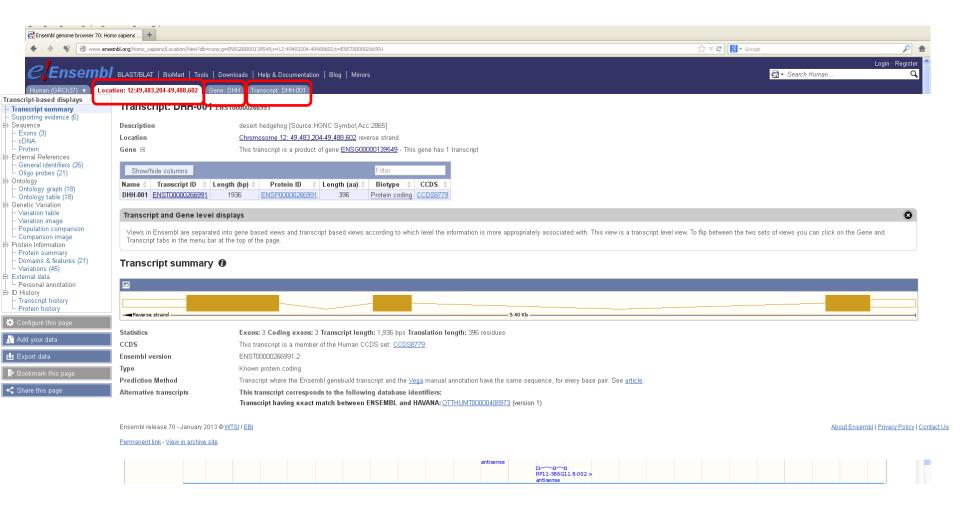


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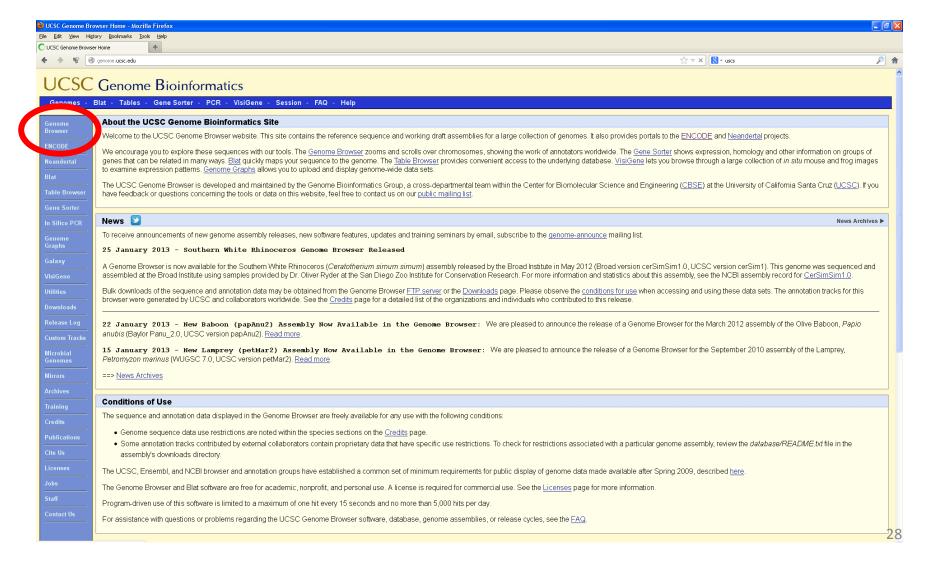
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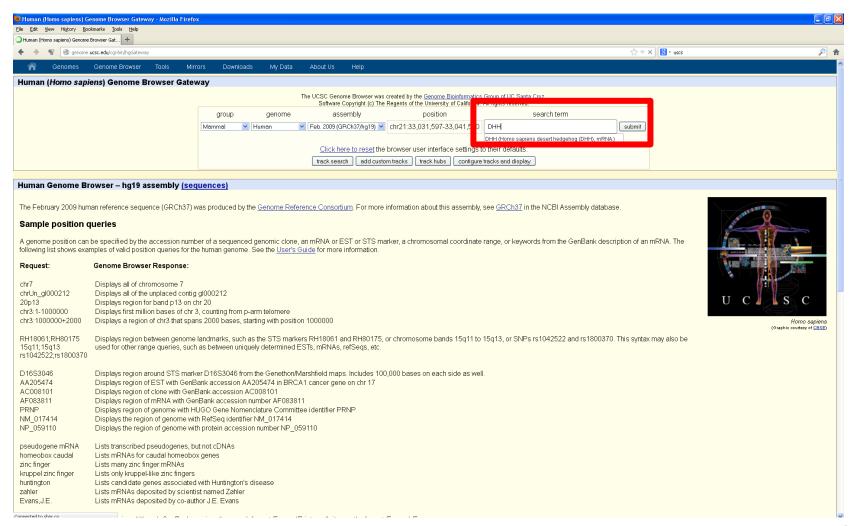
Ensembl example DHH (human)



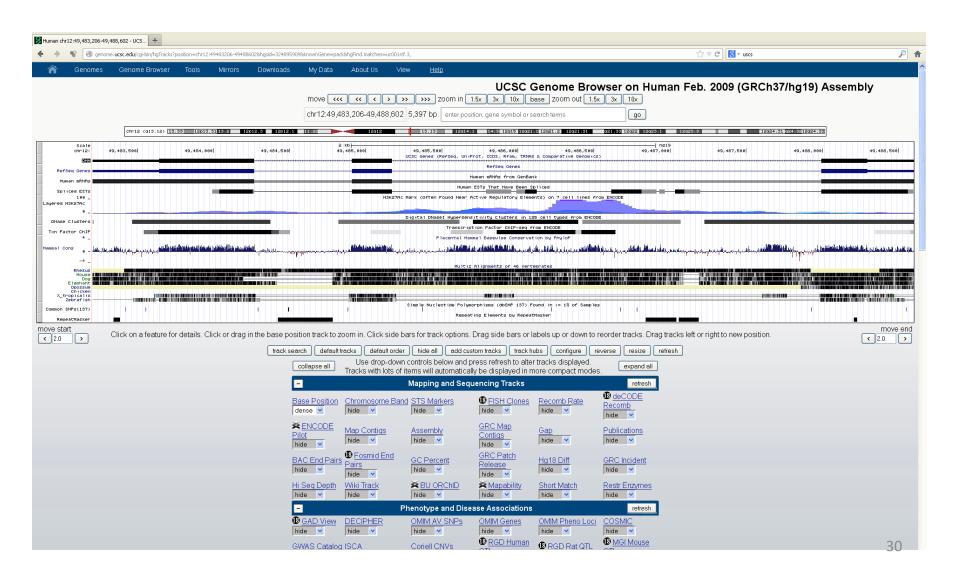
UCSC homepage



UCSC: Search Gene (DHH)



UCSC: Entry page (DHH)



Search for genomic information using identifiers

How can you store genes with a unique name?

> Regular gene names are not suited

- Structured identifiers
- These are different for different databases

NCBI identifiers

- RefSeq:
 - Chromosome: NC_
 - mRNA: NM_
 - Protein: NP_
- Genbank:
 - Many types of IDs
- NCBI gene ID:
 - Number

- OMIM ID:
 - Number
- Pubmed ID:
 - Number

Ensembl identifiers

ENSG### Ensembl Gene ID

ENST### Ensembl Transcript ID

ENSP### Ensembl Peptide ID

ENSE### Ensembl Exon ID

• For other species than human a suffix is added:

MUS (Mus musculus) for mouse: ENSMUSG###

DAR (Danio rerio) for zebrafish: ENSDARG###, etc.

Where does all this information come from?

- Submissions (e.g. Sequences)
- Literature
- Curators and contributors
- Automated generation by computer tools
- High-throughput lab screenings
- Individual contributions and large scale contributions

Functional genomics

Single biomolecules

High throughput

DNA Ţ Sequencing and gene identification

GENOME n

RNA

Sequencing and gene expression

TRANSCRIPTOME

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PROTEIN

Identification and structure determination

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PROTEOME

Gezondheid

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'Wegenkaart' menselijk DNA gepubliceerd



AMSTERDAM – Een gecoördineerde massapublicatie van 30 wetenschappelijke artikelen, waarvan zes in Nature, doet deze week vrijwel alle functies van het menselijk DNA uit de doeken.



Foto: ANP

Elk van onze cellen bevat bijna drie meter aan minutieus opgevouwen DNA. Slechts één procent daarvan doet dienst als gen. Lange tijd was dan ook de vraag: wat is het nut van al het overige, zogenaamde junk-DNA?

Het antwoord daarop wordt deze week gegeven door ENCODE (Encyclopedia of DNA Elements), een internationaal

samenwerkingsverband tussen 440 onderzoekers uit 32 laboratoria.

Junk-DNA

De belangrijkste vondst is dat in het menselijk 'junk-DNA' maar liefst vier miljoen genetische schakelaars liggen besloten. Deze schakelaars bepalen of een gen meer of minder actief wordt, zoals de dimmer op een schemerlamp. Het systeem van genetische schakelaars blijkt extreem complex. De computerberekeningen om de data te analyseren duurden bij elkaa<mark>r</mark> opgeteld meer dan 300 jaar.

Human Genome Project

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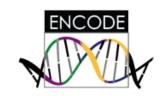
ENCODE is een vervolg op het Human Genome Project één van de grootste wetenschappelijke projecten uit de geschiedenis. Hiermee werd in 2003 het bijna volledige menseliike DNA uitgelezen ENCODE ging vervolgens op zoek naar alle functionele elementen daarin. Ze vonden dat ten minste 80 procent van ons DNA een biologische functie vervult.

De resultaten vormen een doorbraak in de biologie en wellicht ook de geneeskunde. Experts vergelijken het met de wegenkaart van het menselijk DNA. Het schept enorme potentie voor de ontwikkeling van nieuwe medicatie voor een veelvoud aan ziektes. Al moet daar, gezien de complexiteit, nog wel een slag om de arm worden gehouden.

Door: NU.nl/Kevin Janssen.



HGP and ENCODE



 We will now discuss these two major projects that contributed a lot of data

- The Humane Genome Project (1990-2003)
 - Sequencing of the human genome
 - Characterizing the genes on the DNA sequence
- The ENCODE project (2003-2012)
 - Focuses on regulatory elements on the DNA

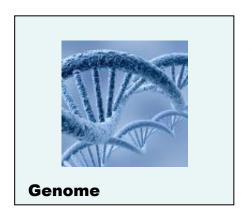
the Human Genome Project

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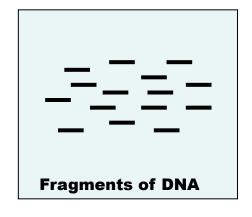
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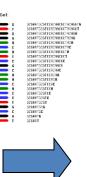
International Human Genome Sequencing Consortium, Finishing the euchromatic sequence of the human genome. Nature 431, 931-945 (21 October 2004).

Genome sequencing: general principle









AC..GC TG..GC CG..CA
TT..TC CG..CA
CT..TG AC..GC GA..GC
GT..GC AC..GC AC..GC
AA..GC AT..AT TT..CC

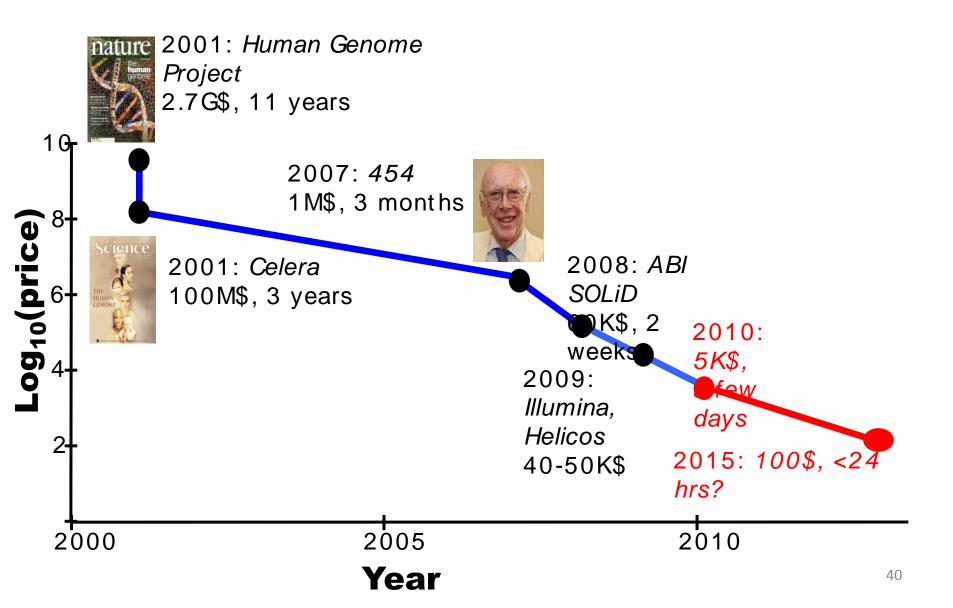
Short DNA sequences



ACGTGACCGGTACTGGTAACGTACA CCTACGTGACCGGTACTGGTAACGT ACGCCTACGTGACCGGTACTGGTAA CGTATACACGTGACCGGTACTGGTA ACGTACACCTACGTGACCGGTACTG GTAACGTACGCCTACGTGACCGGTA CTGGTAACGTATACCTCT...

Sequenced genome

Sequencing the Human Genome

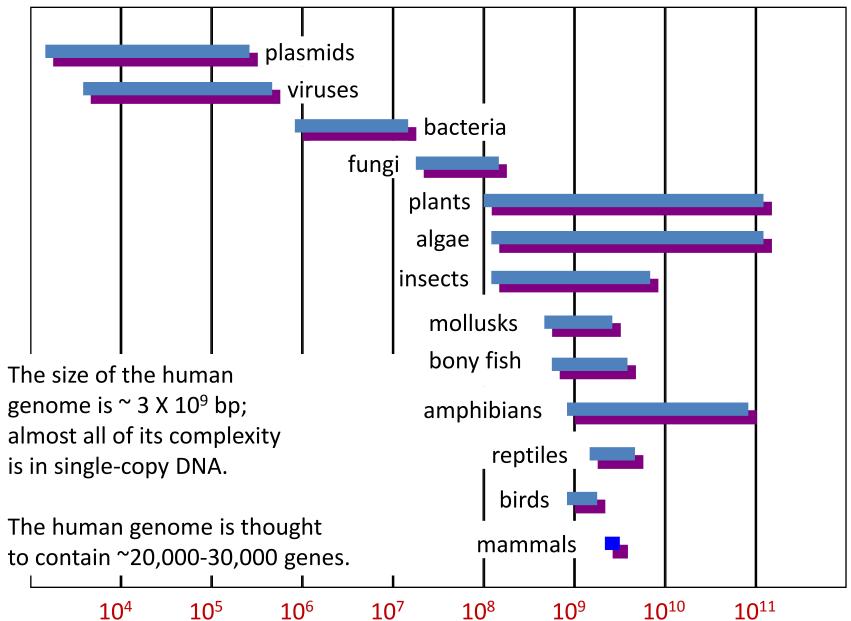


When has a genome been fully sequenced?

N-fold coverage

- A typical goal is to obtain five to ten-fold coverage.
- With next-generation sequencing typically even more, like 30-fold coverage
- Mostly both strands are sequenced
- Finished sequence
 - Usually no gaps in the sequence
 - High quality standard; error rate <0.01%.

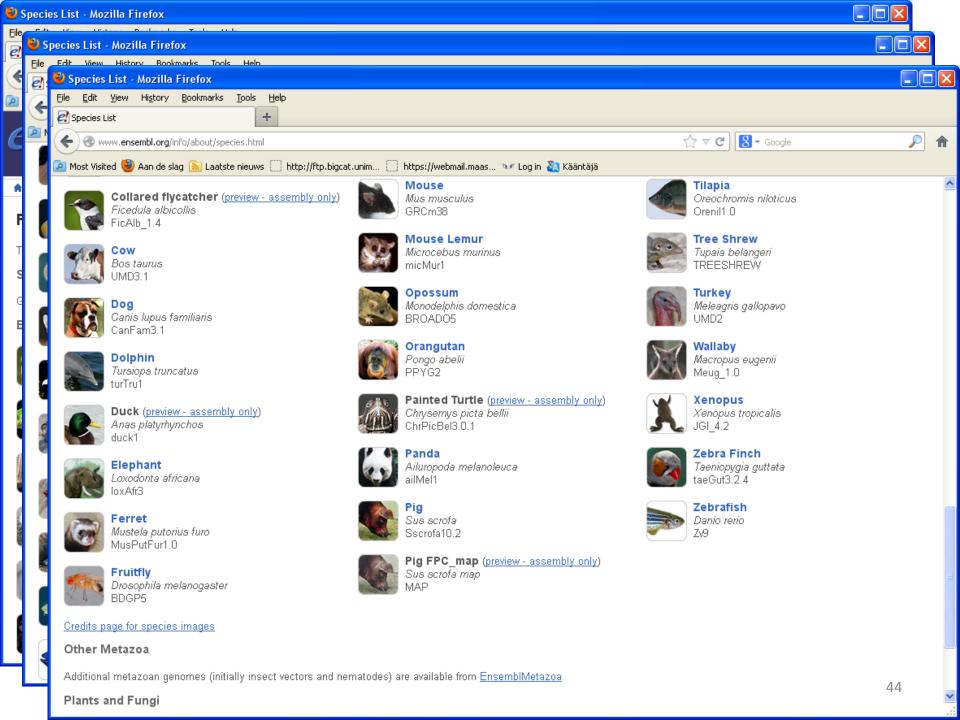
Genome sizes in nucleotide base pairs (log scale)



Which genomes are sequenced?

Selection of genomes for sequencing is based on criteria such as:

- genome size (some plants are >>> human genome)
- cost
- relevance to human disease (or other disease)
- relevance to basic biological questions
- relevance to agriculture or other food production



Number of genes

	Number of gene
Species and Common Name	Estimated Total Size of

Species and Common Name	Estimated Total Size o
	Genome (bp)*

Estimated Number of Protein-Encoding Genes*

Saccharomyces cerevisiae (unicellular budding yeast)

12 million

6,000

Trichomonas vaginalis

160 million

60,000

Plasmodium falciparum (unicellular malaria parasite)

23 million

5,000

Caenorhabditis elegans (nematode)

Arabidopsis thaliana (mustard; thale cress)

95.5 million

18,000

Drosophila melanogaster (fruit fly)

170 million

14,000

125 million

1 billion

2.4 billion

2.5 billion

2.9 billion

25,000 470 million 51,000

> 20,000-23,000 19,000

Canis familiaris (domestic dog)

Mus musculus (laboratory mouse)

Oryza sativa (rice)

Gallus gallus (chicken)

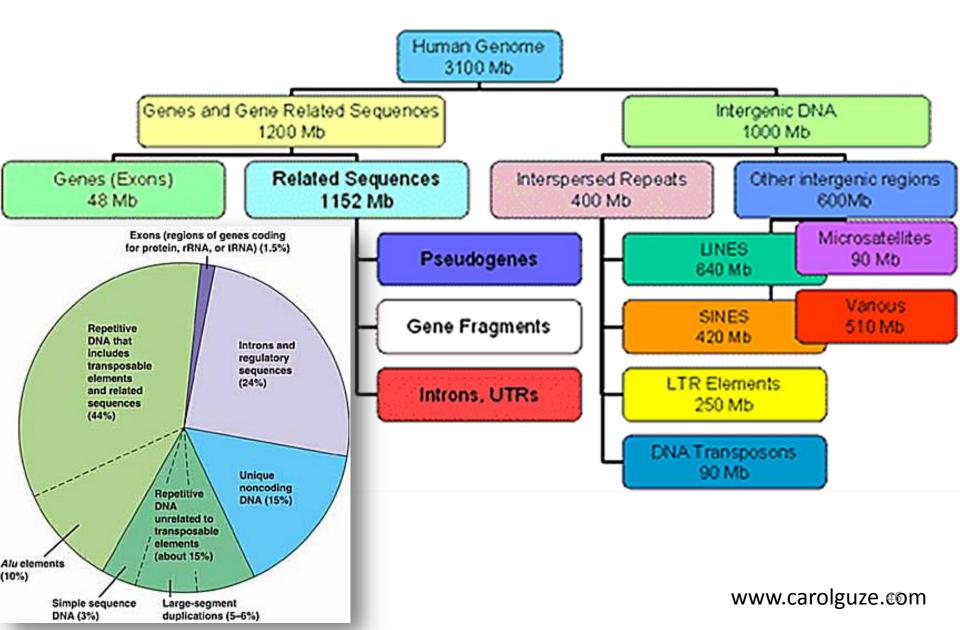
Homo sapiens (human)

30,000

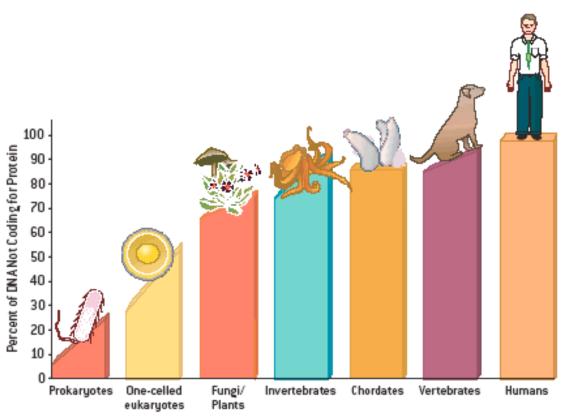
20,000-25,000

Plants and amphibians with huge genomes (not in table) do not have huge amounts of genes Pray, L. (2008) Eukaryotic genome complexity. Nature Education 1(1)

Organization of the human genome



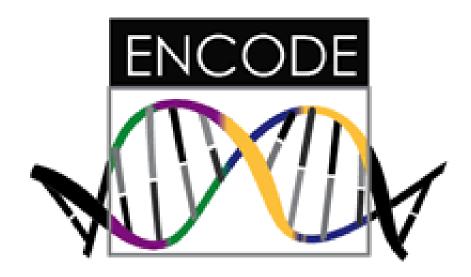
Non-Protein coding DNA



NONPROTEIN-CODING SEQUENCES make up only a small fraction of the DNA of prokaryotes. Among eukaryotes, as their complexity increases, generally so, too, does the proportion of their DNA that does not code for protein. The noncoding sequences have been considered junk, but perhaps it actually helps to explain organisms' complexity.

The ENCODE Project: ENCyclopedia Of DNA Elements

A public research consortium



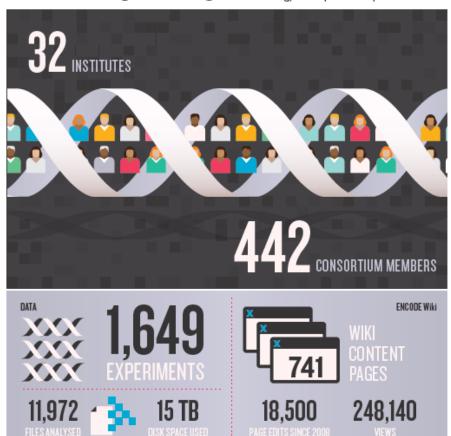
Launched: September 2003, upgraded to the entire genome September 2007.

Goal: to carry out a project to identify all the functional elements in the human genome sequence.

BY THE NUMBERS

TELECONFERENCING MAY 2008 TO JU

The ENCODE project involved hundreds of people from around the world, and a lot of editing, disk space and phone calls.



Understanding of the human genome is far from complete. We are missing knowledge on:

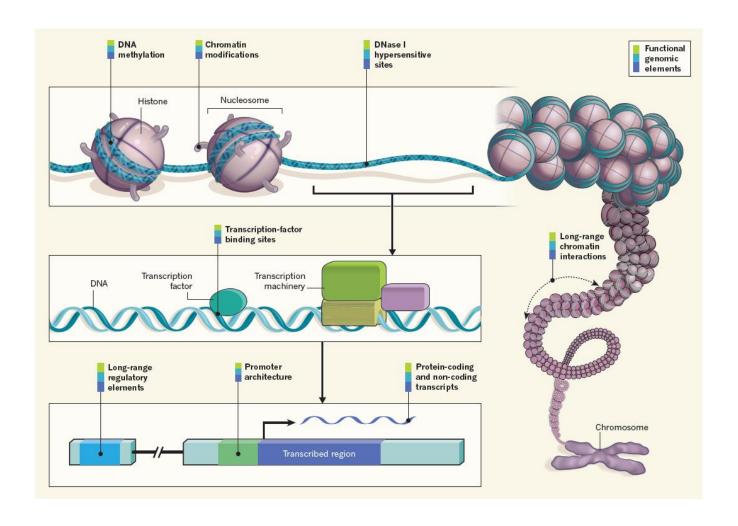
- non-coding RNA
- 2. Alternatively spliced transcripts
- 3. Regulatory sequences

The making of ENCODE: Lessons for big-data projects. Birney E.

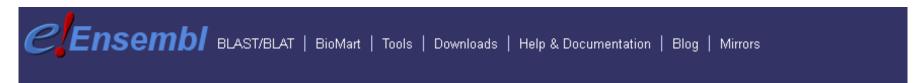
Nature. 2012 Sep 6;489(7414):49-51

TOTAL COST OF TELECONFERENCING = £49,310.54

Data retrieved from ENCODE project



ENCODE data in Ensembl





Gene Ontology

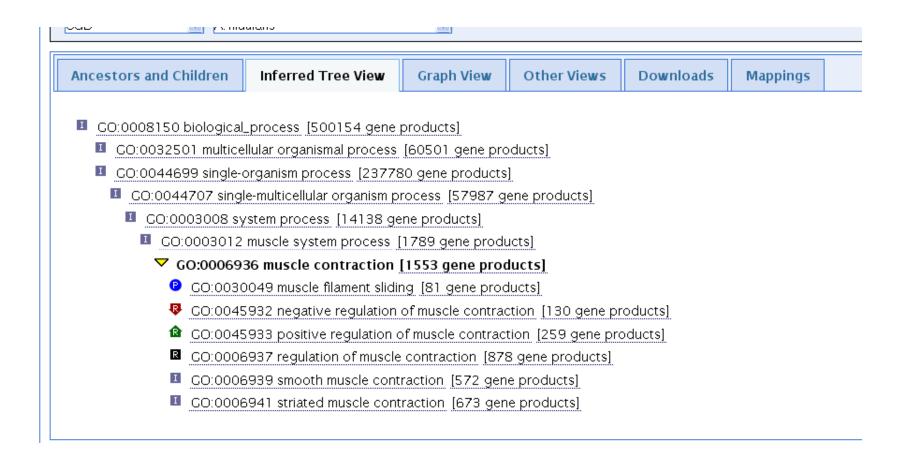
- Built for a very specific purpose:
- "annotation of genes and proteins in genomic and protein databases"
- Applicable to all species



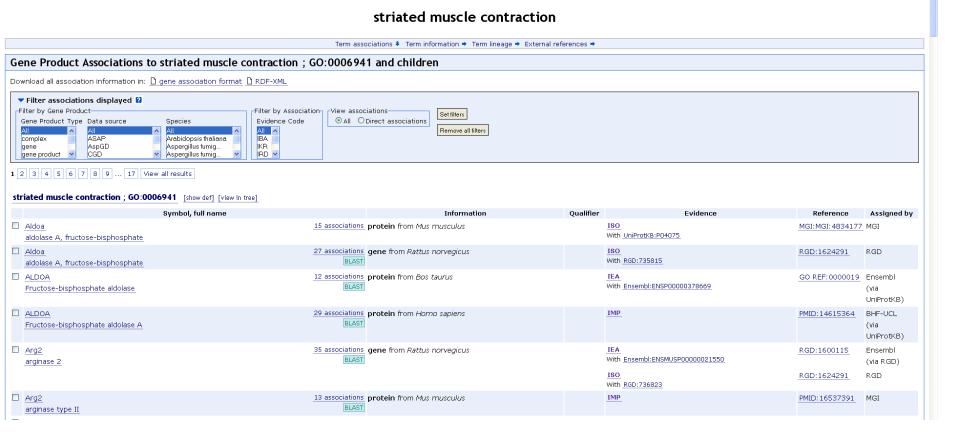
The 3 Gene Ontologies

- Molecular Function = elemental activity/task
 - the tasks performed by individual gene products; examples are carbohydrate binding and ATPase activity
- Biological Process = biological goal or objective
 - broad biological goals, such as *mitosis* or *purine metabolism*, that are accomplished by ordered assemblies of molecular functions
- **Cellular Component** = location or complex
 - subcellular structures, locations, and macromolecular complexes; examples include *nucleus*, *telomere*, and *RNA polymerase II* holoenzyme

GO muscle contraction – tree view



Gene products - Striated muscle contraction (GO:0006941)



Anatomy of a GO term

id: GO:0006094

name: gluconeogenesis

namespace: process

def: The formation of glucose from

noncarbohydrate precursors, such as

pyruvate, amino acids and glycerol.

[http://cancerweb.ncl.ac.uk/omd/index.html]

exact_synonym: glucose biosynthesis

xref_analog: MetaCyc:GLUCONEO-PWY

is_a: GO:0006006

is_a: GO:0006092

unique GO ID

term name

ontology

definition

synonym database ref

parentage

No GO Areas

- GO covers 'normal' functions and processes
 - No pathological processes
 - No experimental conditions
- NO evolutionary relationships
- NOT a system of nomenclature

Searching and Browsing GO

- AmiGO
 - http://www.godatabase.org
- Downloads
 - http://www.godatabase.org/dev/database/
 - XML or as a MySQL database dump
- http://www.geneontology.org/GO.tools.annot ation.shtml
 - Annotate gene by sequence similarity.

Practical session

- Ensembl tutorials
- Ensembl genome browser



- Several NCBI databases
 - Gene
 - OMIM



Gene Ontology