

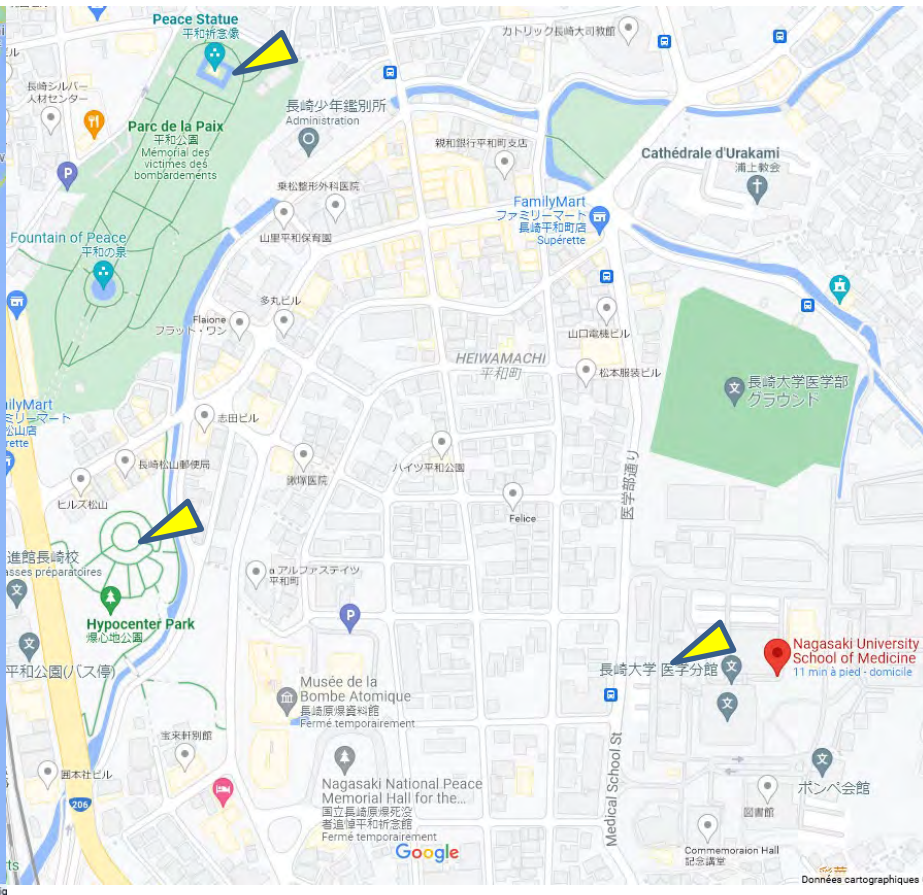
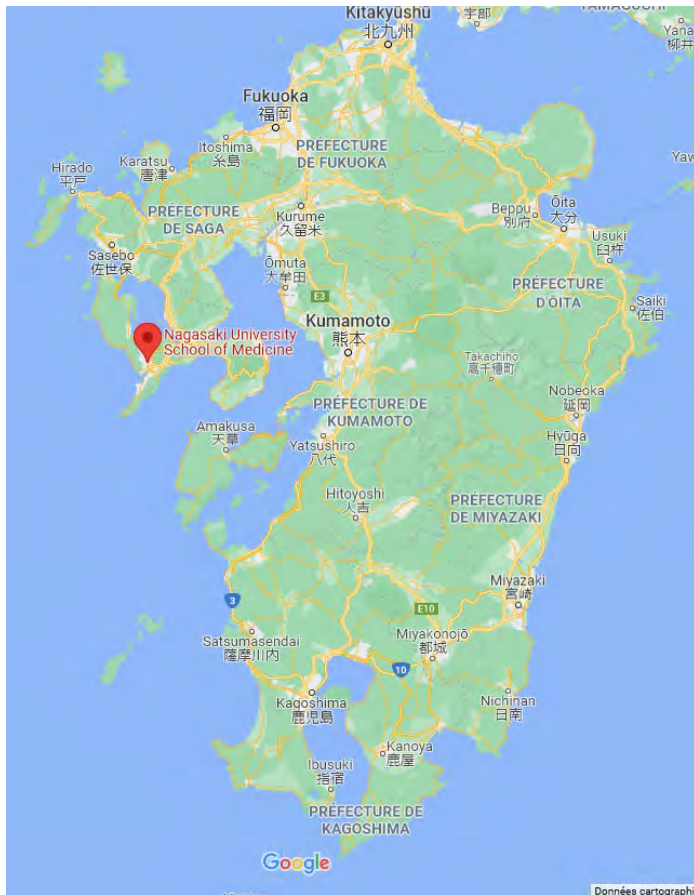
Next Generation Sequencing, Human Genetics, and COVID-19

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JICA in Tunisia Online Seminar for
the Project to Strengthen the Detecting and Analyzing Capacity in the Fight against COVID-19

JICA チュニジア「新型コロナウイルス対策検査能力向上プロジェクト」遠隔研修 Feb 17, 2022

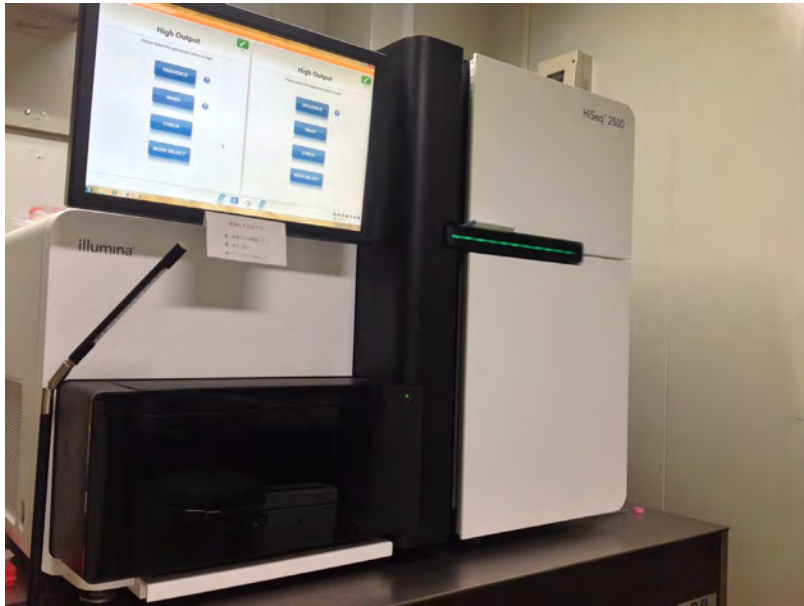


Atomic Bomb Disease
Institute,
Nagasaki University



- Chair: Professor Dr. Koh-ichiro Yoshiura
- Human Genetics of ...
 - rare genetic disorders
 - disorders with "missing inheritability"
 - epigenetic disorders

Next Generation Sequencers in Nagasaki U



Illumina
HiSeq2500



Illumina
MiSeq



Oxford Nanopore
PromethION
long-read sequencer

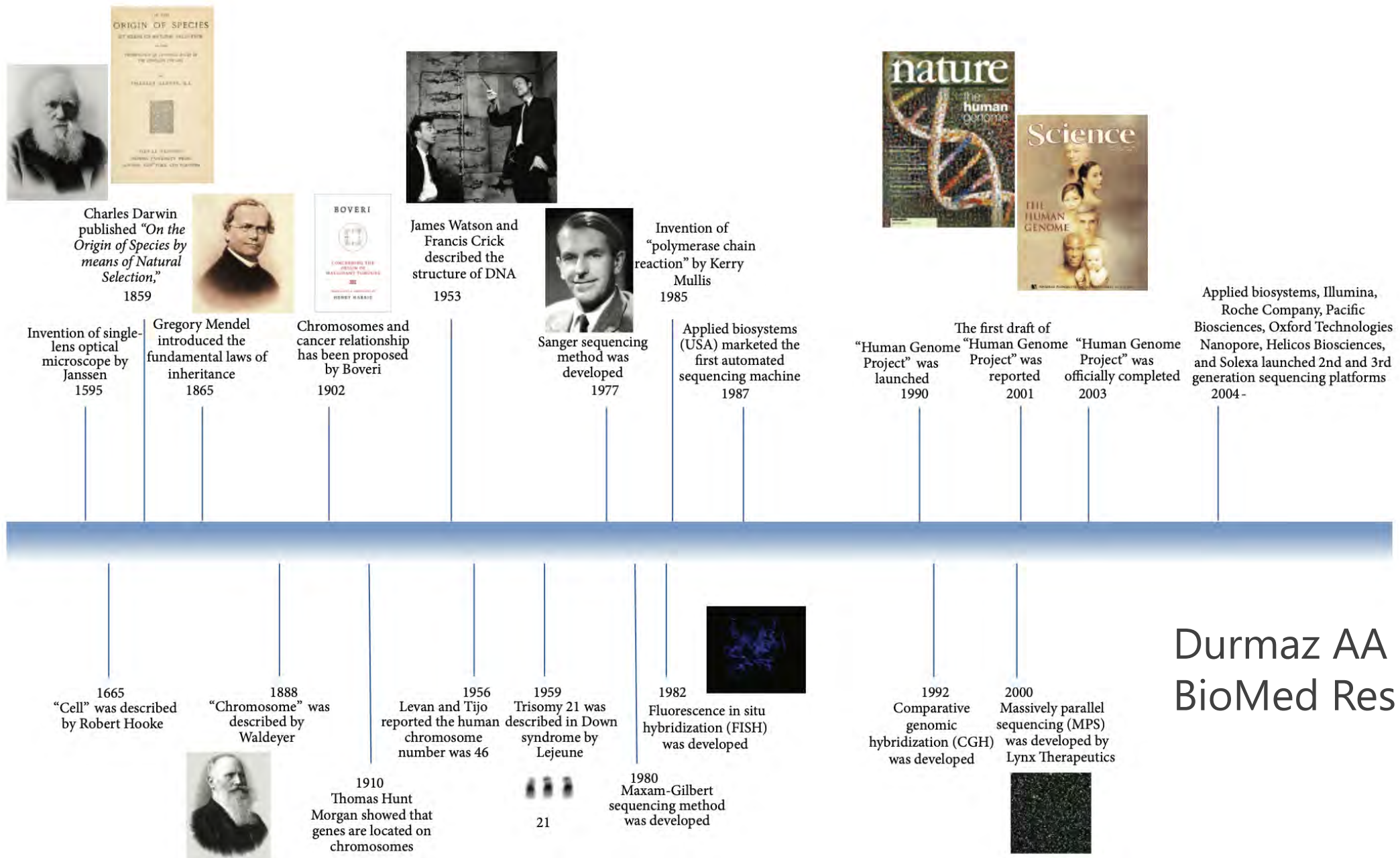
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Next Generation Sequencing
(NGS)
a.k.a.
massively parallel sequencing



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BioMed Res Int. 2015



FIGURE 1: Landmarks in the history of genetics.



Sanger sequencing
method was
developed
1977

Invention of
“polymerase chain
reaction” by Kerry
Mullis
1985

Applied biosystems
(USA) marketed the
first automated
sequencing machine
1987

“Human Genome
Project” was
launched
1990

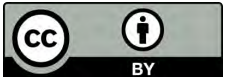
The first draft of
“Human Genome
Project” was
reported
2001

“Human Genome
Project” was
officially completed
2003

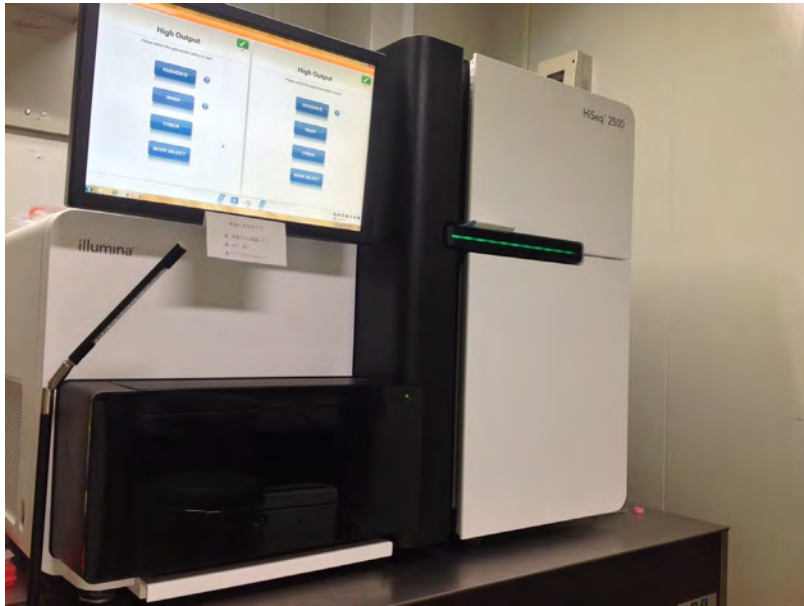
Applied biosystems, Illumina,
Roche Company, Pacific
Biosciences, Oxford Technologies
Nanopore, Helicos Biosciences,
and Solexa launched 2nd and 3rd
generation sequencing platforms
2004 -



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BRIEFING ROOM

ISSUES

THE ADMINISTRATION

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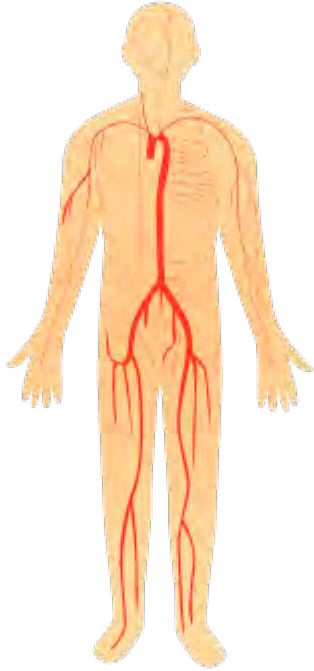
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THE PRECISION MEDICINE INITIATIVE



www.whitehouse.gov/precision-medicine

Precision medicine for rare and undiagnosed diseases



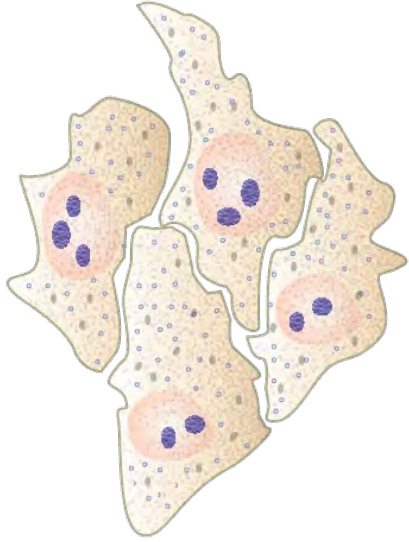
Genome
analysis of
patients and
their families



diagnosis

selection and
development
of treatment

Precision medicine for cancer

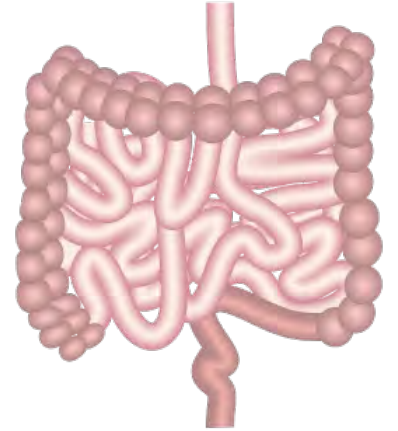


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genome vary
among lesions
and stages

development
and selection
of treatment

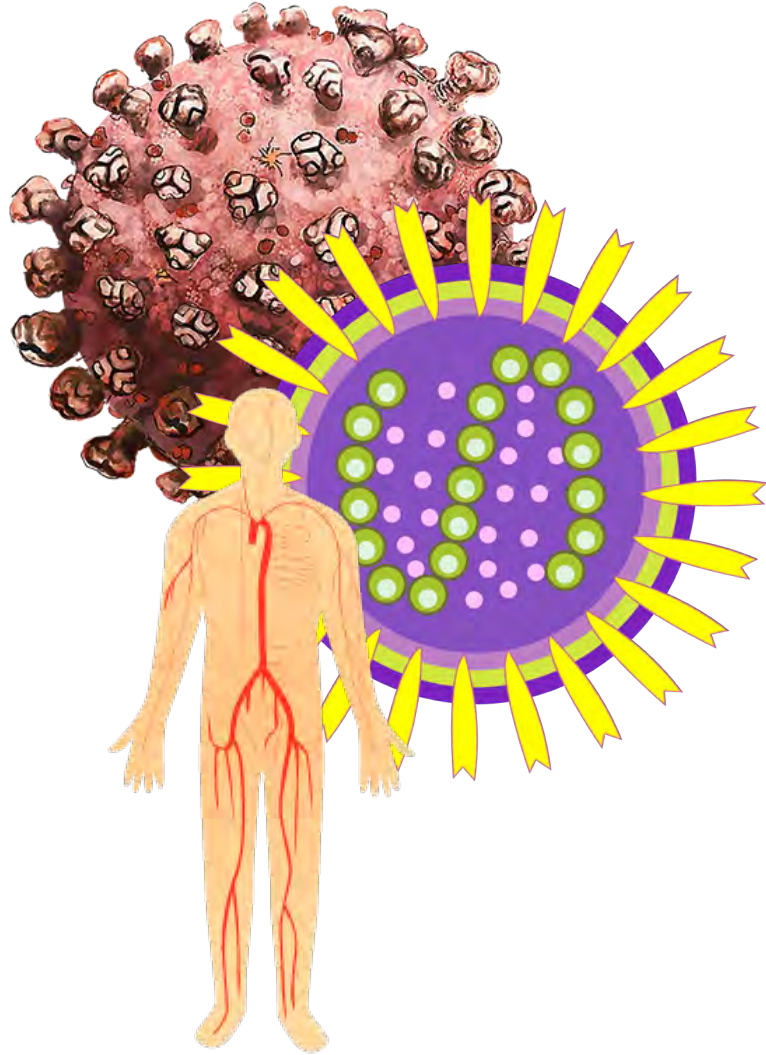
Precision medicine based on metagenomics

Metagenomic analysis
of oral and gut
bacterial flora



knowing body
condition and disease
stages objectively

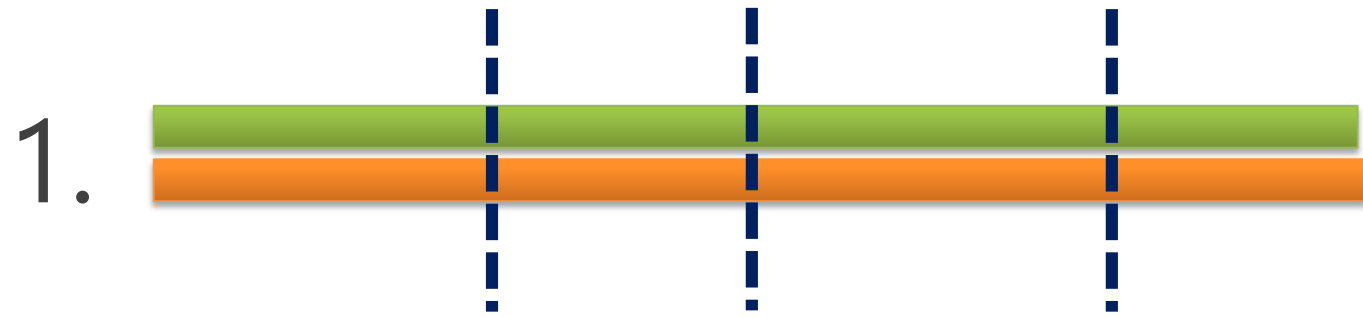
Precision medicine of infectious diseases



Rapid and accurate typing of
bacteria and viruses
Finding hosts' genomic factors
affecting disease severity.

development
and selection
of treatment

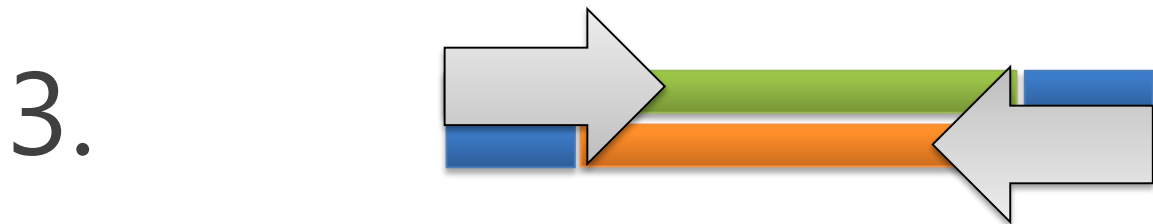
NGS simplified



DNA shearing



adaptor ligation
to build a library



sequencing
molecular termini

performing above in a **massively parallel** manner

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- expensive instruments and delicate benchwork
- huge-size data and complicated analysis workflows



A good team both for “**wet**” and “**dry**” experiments are essential for NGS researches

“Wet” experiments

- Sample collection and transportation
- Sample storage and management
- DNA/RNA extraction from samples
- Reagent management
- Library Preparation
 - DNA shearing
 - target enrichment (PCR, hybridization, etc)
- NGS Sequencing
- NGS instrument maintenance

“Dry” experiments or Bioinformatics

- Raw data storage and routine backups
- Computer maintenance
- Data storage maintenance
- Building analysis workflows
- Updating system software
- Updating analysis software packages and workflows
- Analysis and interpret results
- Summarize results for noncomputer people
- Integrate and interpret multiple experiment results
- Keep data and workflows reproducible

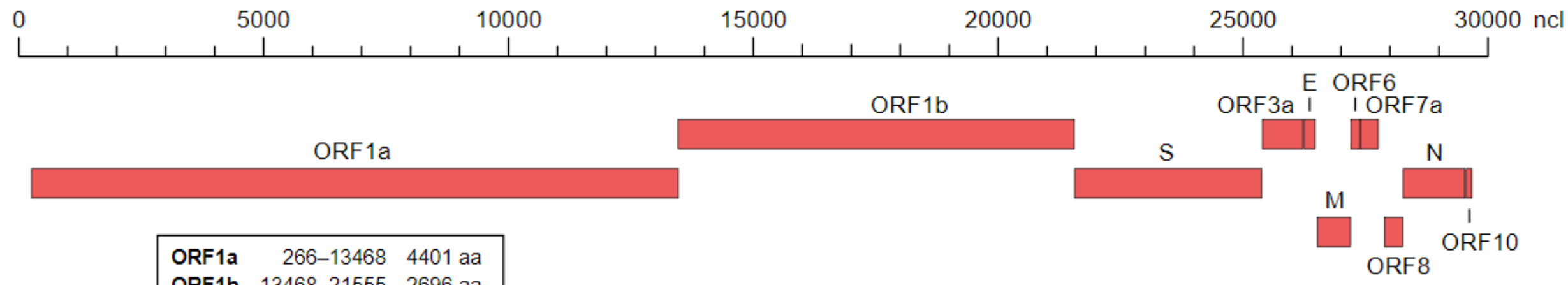
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1. revealing the genome of the virus, SARS-CoV-2
2. revealing the genome of the host, humans

DISCLAIMER:

- The lecturer does not participate in COVID-19 projects personally.
- The lecturer intends to introduce current NGS-related COVID-19 research projects in Japan.

Original SARS-CoV-2 genome that isolated in Wuhan, China in December, 2019



ORF1a	266–13468	4401 aa
ORF1b	13468–21555	2696 aa
S	21563–25384	1273 aa
ORF3A	25393–26220	275 aa
E	26245–26472	75 aa
M	26523–27191	222 aa
ORF6	27202–27387	61 aa
ORF7a	27394–27759	121 aa
ORF8	27894–28259	121 aa
N	28274–29533	419 aa
ORF10	29558–29674	38 aa

Wuhan-Hu-1 (GenBank MN908947.3)



Lineage of SARS-CoV-2

- A **lineage** is a group of a closely related viruses (= variation).
- Lineages have (quite) different characters in such as pathogenicity, transmissibility and disease progression.

PANGO nomenclature at <https://cov-lineages.org/>

the Phylogenetic Assignment of Named Global Outbreak Lineages (PANGLIN) software package
<https://github.com/cov-lineages/pangolin>

Lineage List

All Fields

Search for lineage...

Lineage	Most common countries	Earliest date	# designated	# assigned	Description	WHO Name
A	United States of America 29.0%, United_Arab_Emirates 12.0%, China 9.0%, Germany 7.0%, Canada 5.0%	2019-12-30	1698	2348	Root of the pandemic lies within lineage A. Many sequences originating from China and many global exports; including to South East Asia Japan South Korea Australia the USA and Europe represented in this lineage	
BA.1	United Kingdom 44.0%, United States of America 26.0%, Denmark 5.0%, Germany 4.0%, Canada 3.0%	2021-09-12	130	666384	Alias of B.1.1.529.1, from pango-designation issue #361	Omicron
BA.1.1	United States of America 43.0%, United Kingdom 27.0%, Germany 5.0%, Canada 3.0%, France 3.0%	2021-09-18	417	385487	Alias of B.1.1.529.1.1, from pango-designation issue #360	
BA.2	Denmark 56.0%, United Kingdom 20.0%, India 7.0%, Germany 4.0%, Sweden 2.0%	2021-11-17	6	67102	Alias of B.1.1.529.2, from pango-designation issue #361	Omicron

WHO labeling of SARS-CoV-2 variants

Variants of concern (VOC)

- Increase in transmissibility or detrimental change in COVID-19 epidemiology; OR
- Increase in virulence or change in clinical disease presentation; OR
- Decrease in effectiveness of public health and social measures or available diagnostics, vaccines, therapeutics.

<https://www.who.int/en/activities/tracking-SARS-CoV-2-variants/>

WHO labeling of SARS-CoV-2 variants

Currently designated variants of concern (VOCs)⁺:

WHO label	Pango lineage ^a	GISAID clade	Nextstrain clade	Additional amino acid changes monitored ^b	Earliest documented samples	Date of designation
Alpha	B.1.1.7	GRY	20I (V1)	+S:484K +S:452R	United Kingdom, Sep-2020	18-Dec-2020
Beta	B.1.351	GH/501Y.V2	20H (V2)	+S:L18F	South Africa, May-2020	18-Dec-2020
Gamma	P.1	GR/501Y.V3	20J (V3)	+S:681H	Brazil, Nov-2020	11-Jan-2021
Delta	B.1.617.2	GK	21A, 21I, 21J	+S:417N +S:484K	India, Oct-2020	VOI: 4-Apr-2021 VOC: 11-May-2021
Omicron*	B.1.1.529	GRA	21K, 21L 21M	+S:R346K	Multiple countries, Nov-2021	VUM: 24-Nov-2021 VOC: 26-Nov-2021

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Lineage detection/assignment

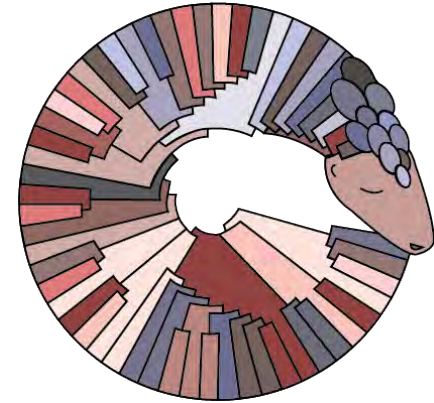
- Lineage can be assigned by determinizing lineage-specific genomic sequences or mutation (amino acid change).
- Determine point mutations
 - PCR-based techniques
 - Protein (antigen)-based techniques
 - Cannot assign novel lineage
 - Cannot assign “stealth” lineage leading false negatives (e.g. Omicron variant)
- **Whole genome sequencing (WGS)** is necessary for accurate and robust lineage assignment

SARS-CoV-2 Whole Genome Sequencing Projects in Japan

- Center for Medical Genetics, Keio University
<https://cmg.med.keio.ac.jp/>
- National Institute of Genetics (NIG)
<https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/about-nig/covid19bcp>
- National Institute of Infectious Diseases (NIID)
<https://www.niid.go.jp/niid/en/2019-ncov-e.html>

Typical workflow of NGS-based SARS-Cov-2 genome analysis

1. RNA sample extracted clinical materials
2. cDNA synthesis and library construction
3. Performing NGS
4. data analysis
 1. mapping and variation detection
 2. lineage assignment (e.g. PANGOLIN)
5. Deposit sequence to public databases
 1. DDBJ/INSD (DDBJ+NCBI+ENA/EBI int'l alliance)
 2. GISAID (DB for pandemic genomes)



Statistics of SARS-CoV-2 genome sequencing at NIID

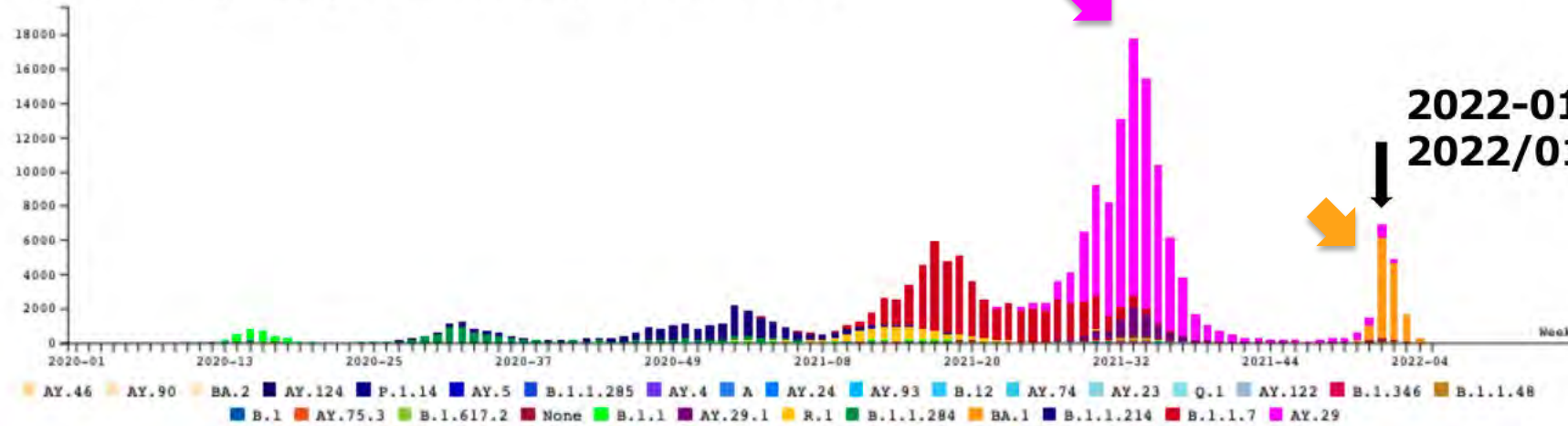
- number of samples: 114,502
- Detected PANGO lineages and WHO labels
 - B.1.351 (Beta): 117 cases
 - P.1 (Gamma): 137 cases B.1.1.28.1 = P.1
 - B.1.617.2 (Delta): 98,131 cases B.1.617.2.28 = AY.29
 - B1.1.529 (Omicron): 52,314 cases B.1.1.519.1 = BA.1
B.1.1.519.2 = BA.2

Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (as of Jan 31, 2022)

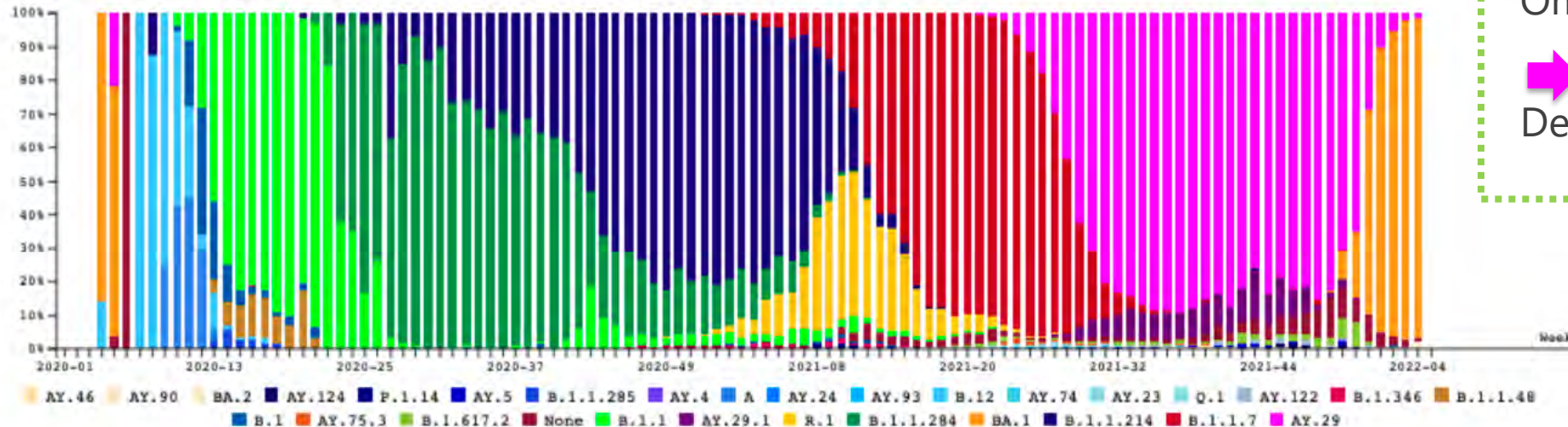
SARS-CoV-2 genome PANGO lineage transition by NIID

(as of Feb. 4, 2022)

[Only Domestic] Weekly Top 30 Graph (count each week)



[Only Domestic] Weekly Top 30 Stacked Graph (count each week)



Omicron

Delta

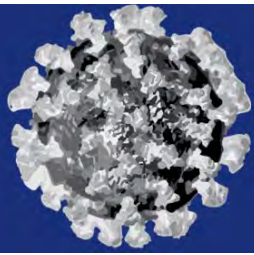
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B.1.1.7	0
B.1.1.214	0
BA.1	5828
B.1.1.284	0
R.1	0
AY.29.1	13
B.1.1	0
None	258
B.1.617.2	16
AY.75.3	0
B.1	2
B.1.1.48	0
B.1.346	0
AY.122	0
Q.1	0
AY.23	0
AY.74	0
B.12	0
AY.93	0
AY.24	0
A	0
AY.4	0
B.1.1.285	0
AY.5	0
P.1.14	0
AY.124	0
BA.2	24
AY.90	1
AY.46	0

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https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431_00333.html

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The COVID-19 Host Genetics Initiative

<https://www.covid19hg.org/>



- 115 registered studies
- about 50,000 COVID-19 patients
- about 2,000,000 controls

Joint Research Coronavirus Task Force

<https://www.covid19-taskforce.jp/>

- Funded by the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED)
- Started with 40 medical institutes in Japan
 - Currently over 100 institutes are participating.
- Biggest Asian participant of COVID-19HG

- Applied the Genome-Wide Association Study (GWAS) strategy
- GWAS focuses on **association** between single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) and traits such as disease susceptibility.

> [Nature](#). 2021 Dec;600(7889):472-477. doi: 10.1038/s41586-021-03767-x. Epub 2021 Jul 8.

Mapping the human genetic architecture of COVID-19

[COVID-19 Host Genetics Initiative](#)

Collaborators + expand

PMID: 34237774 PMCID: [PMC8674144](#) DOI: [10.1038/s41586-021-03767-x](#)

The Japanese task force is a the biggest team in Asia, and only team that offered severe COVID-19 case data.

- Found 13 variants affect COVID-19 severity.
- Two variants showed high frequency in East and South Asians compared with Europeans.
 - *FOXP1* (lung cell proliferation)
 - *DPP9* (related to interstitial pneumonia)
 - *TYK2* (related to immunity)

- Previously found SNPs near *DOCK2* in Japanese as a disease progression factor was not reported in this paper.
- It may be explained by very low frequency of variations of *DOCK2* in Europeans.
- Population diversity is important for genetic researches.

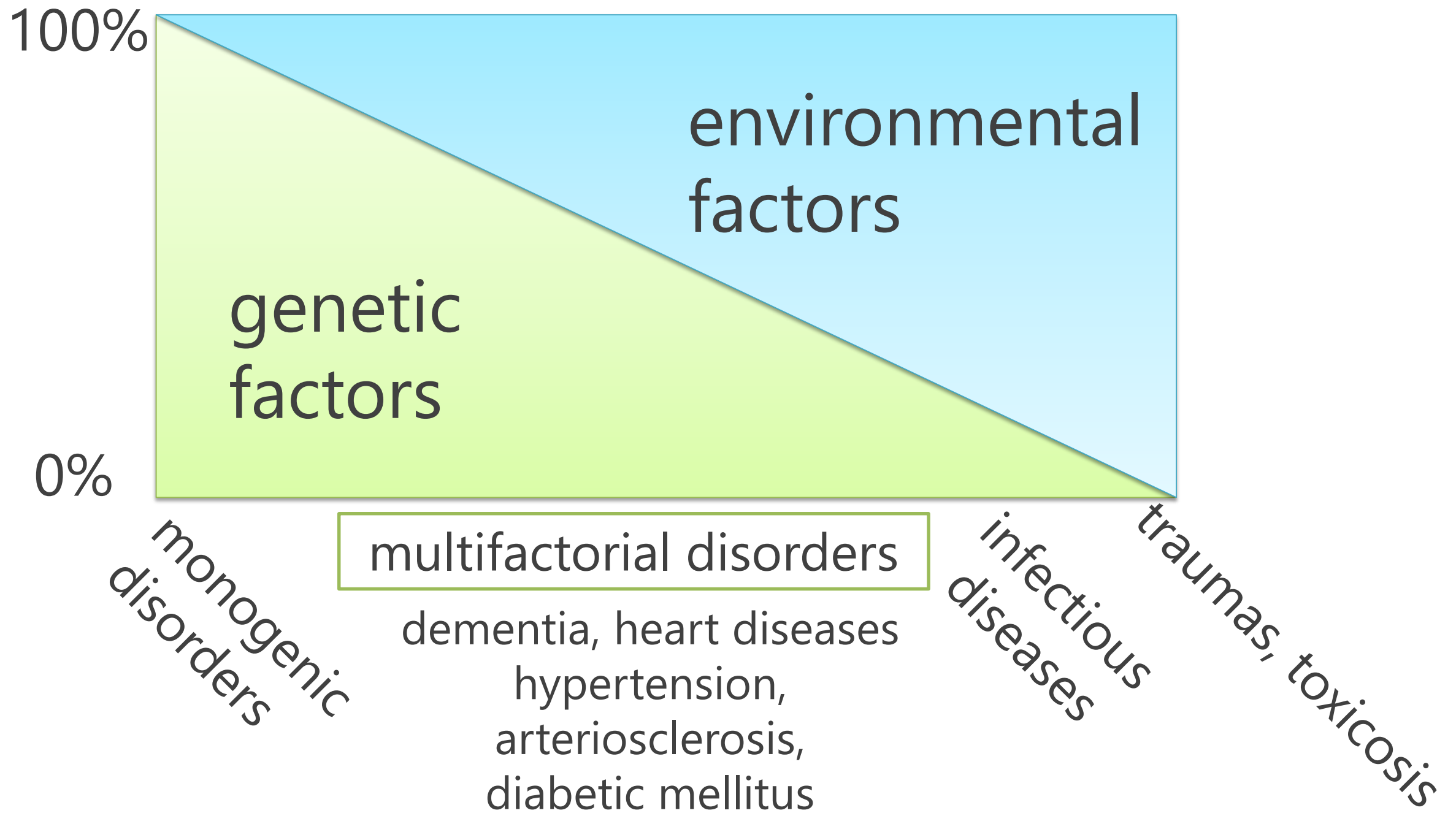
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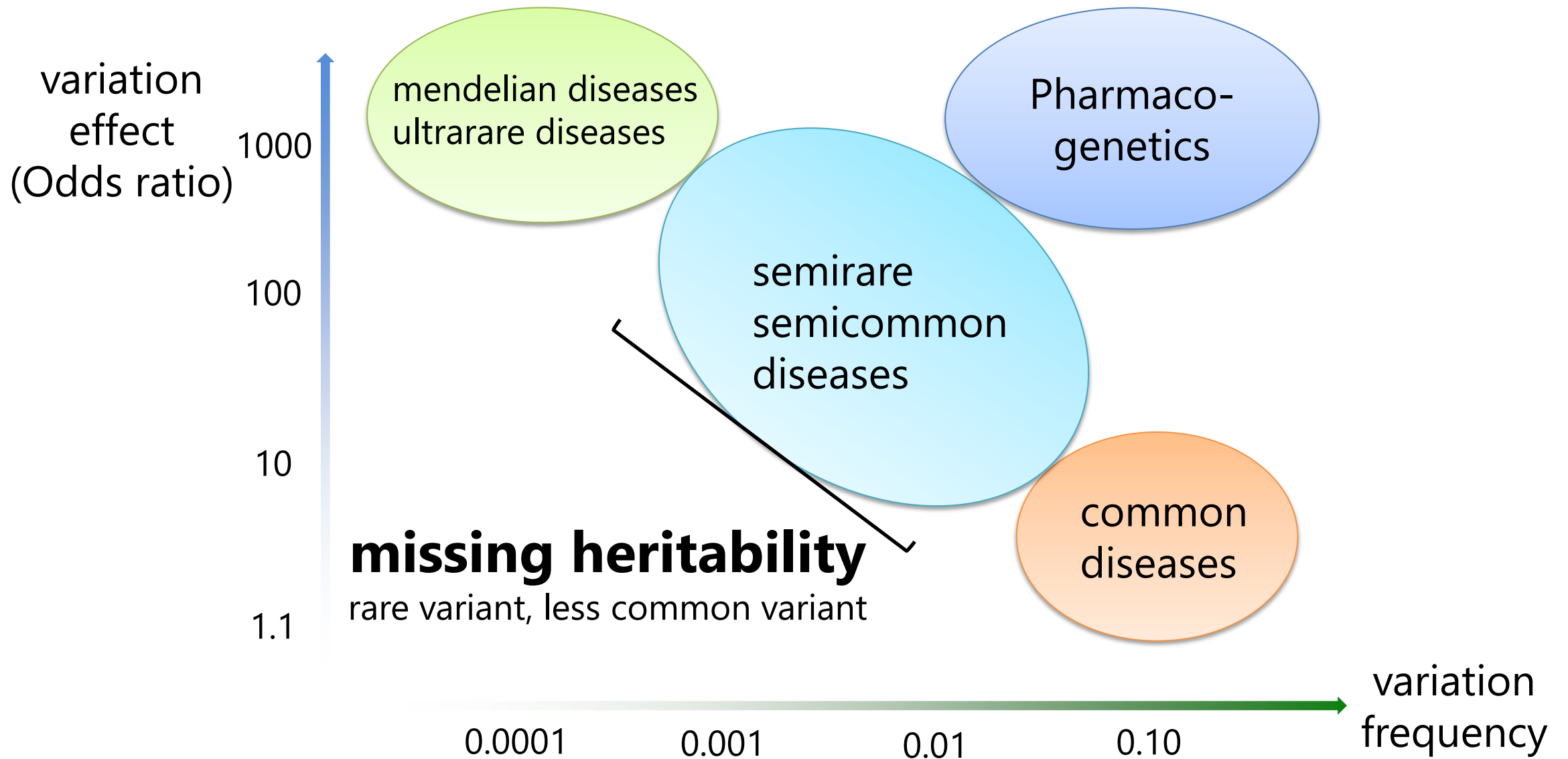
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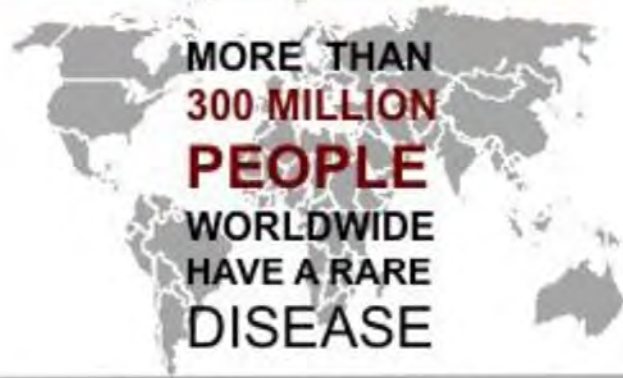
genetic diseases clustered by variation frequency and effect odds ratio
(based on Manolio et al., Nature (2009) 461: 747-753)

Our mission is “Gene Hunting”

Revealing
causative gene of
inheritance disorders

A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE RARE DISEASE LANDSCAPE

ORPHAN DRUG DEVELOPMENT TRENDS AND OPPORTUNITIES



~80% RARE DISEASES ARE OF GENETIC ORIGIN



FDA ORPHAN DRUG APPROVALS > 500 SINCE THE PASSAGE OF THE ORPHAN DRUG ACT

PROMISING THERAPEUTIC PIPELINE

560 RARE DISEASE DRUGS AND THERAPIES IN DEVELOPMENT



~7,000

DISEASES & DISORDERS ARE CLASSIFIED AS RARE

IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS



OF ALL NEW DRUG APPROVALS WERE FOR RARE DISEASES

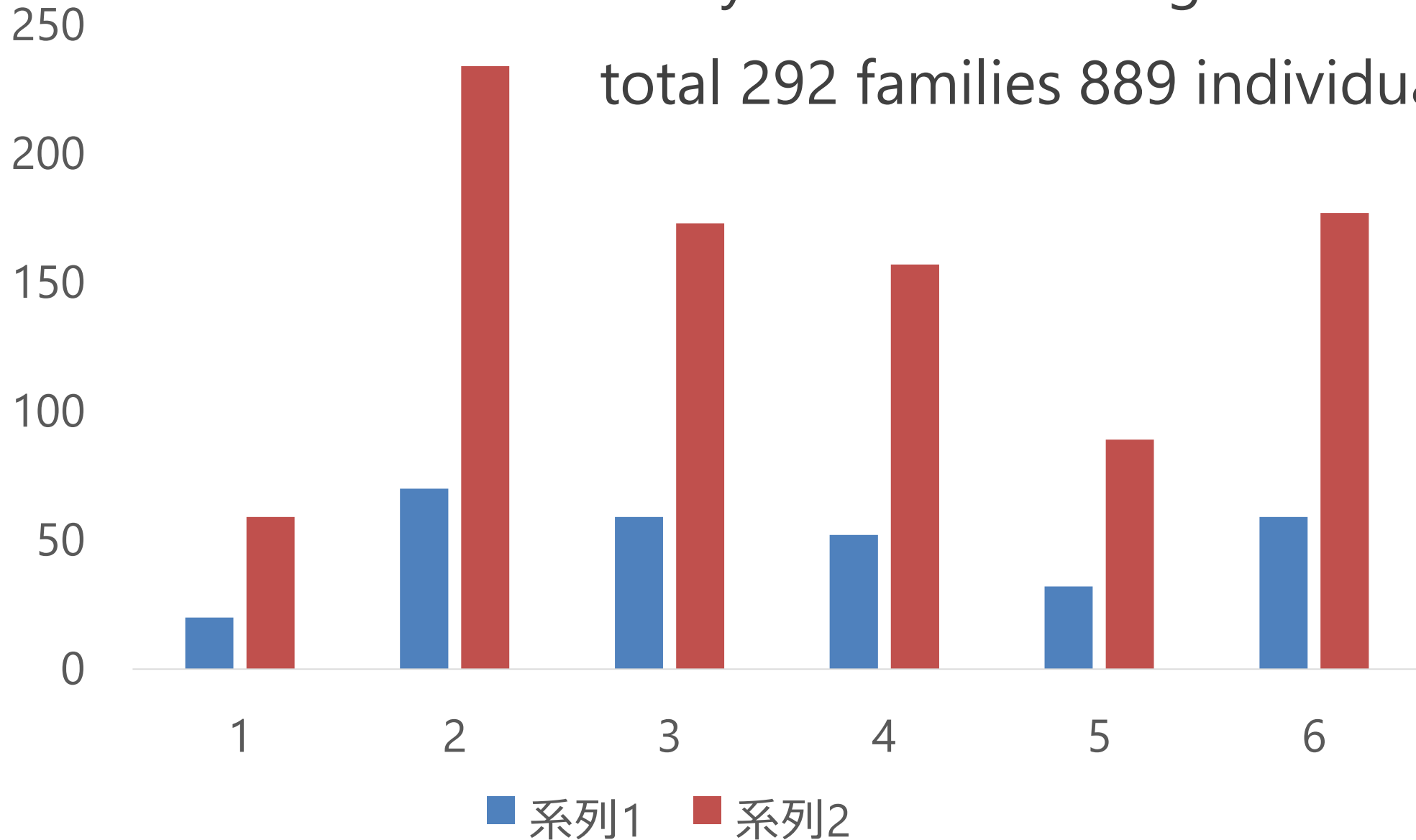
TOP SELLING ORPHAN DRUGS

DRUG	COMPANY
REVLIMID	CELGENE
RITUXAN	ROCHE
COPAXONE	TEVA
OPDIVO	BMS
AVONEX	BIOMER
IMBRUVICA	ABBVIE
SENSIPAR	AMGEN
GLEEVEC	NOVARTIS
VELCADE	TAKEDA
XYREM	JAZZ PHARMA

- Initiative on Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases in Pediatrics (IRUD-P)
- A project funded by the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED).
- In the majority of participants, family trios are analyzed by whole exome sequencing (WES) with *de novo* inheritance model.

Analyzed cases in Nagasaki U

total 292 families 889 individuals



NGS analysis is “big data science”

- a compressed 30x WGS FASTQ file
≈ 60 Gbyte
- Including intermediate files, about
3-5 times storage size is necessary
 - 300Gb / sample

We built a hand-made large storage and HPC cluster





2014/04/08



2014/04/08





3Tbyte
desktop SATA
x 384





549TB + 768 core
NGS researches require dry, wet and "sweat" experiments!

Graphic Processing Units (GPUs) in Bioinformatics



30x human WGS mapping

- HPC cluster: 12 samples in 3 days
- GPU server: 1 sample in 40min. (108 sample/3days)

Bioinformatics and Unix-like systems

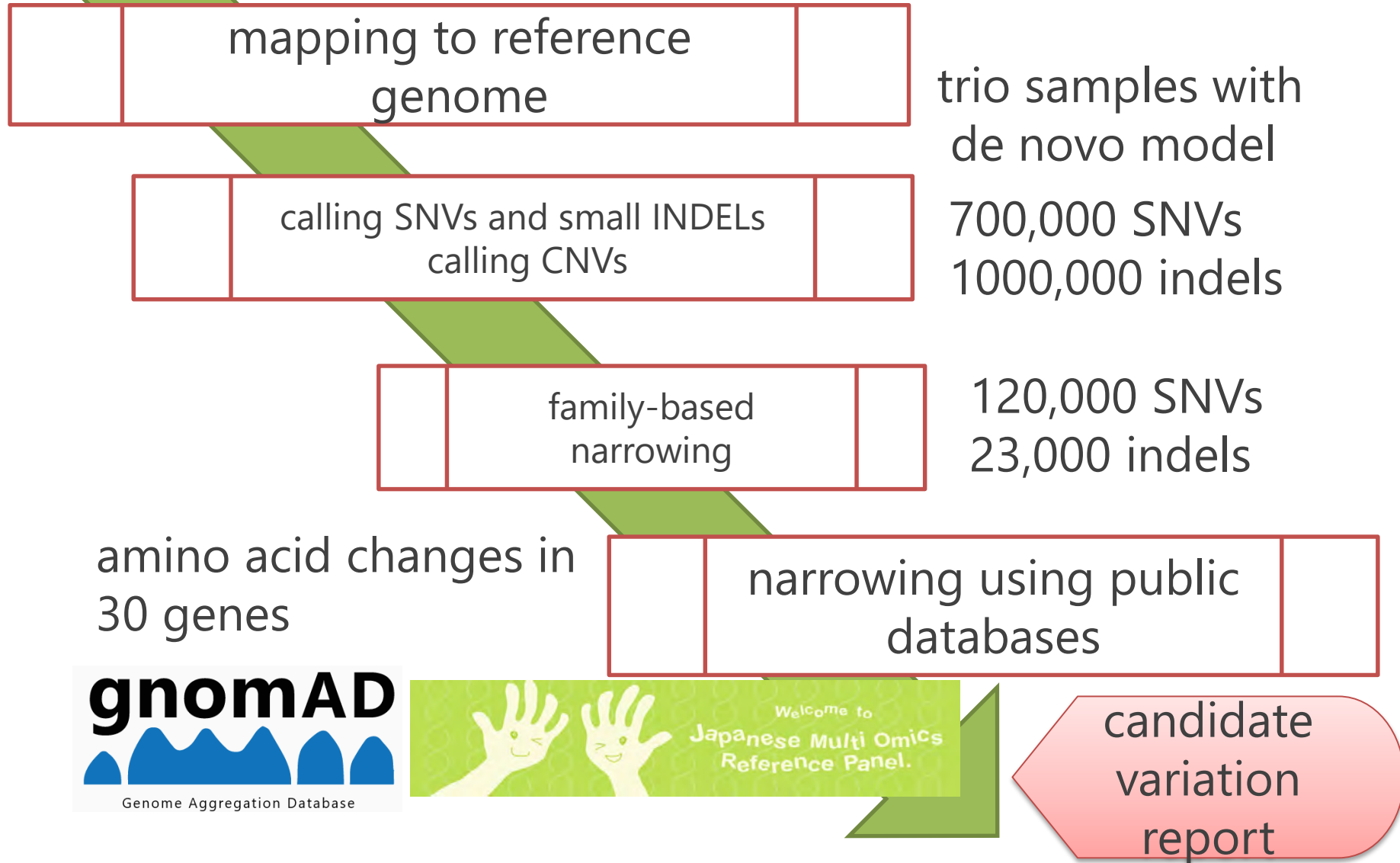


- Unix-like systems, such as Linux, are "mother-language" of Bioinformatics.
- MacOS's "terminal" and Windows' "Subsystem for Linux (WSL)" are also Unix-like systems
- Basically, not graphic user interface (GUI)-based but character user interface (CUI)-based system.
- Unix-like systems have advantages in handling multi-user, multi-process, large memory consuming, network distributed, and long continuous computing like bioinformatics analysis.

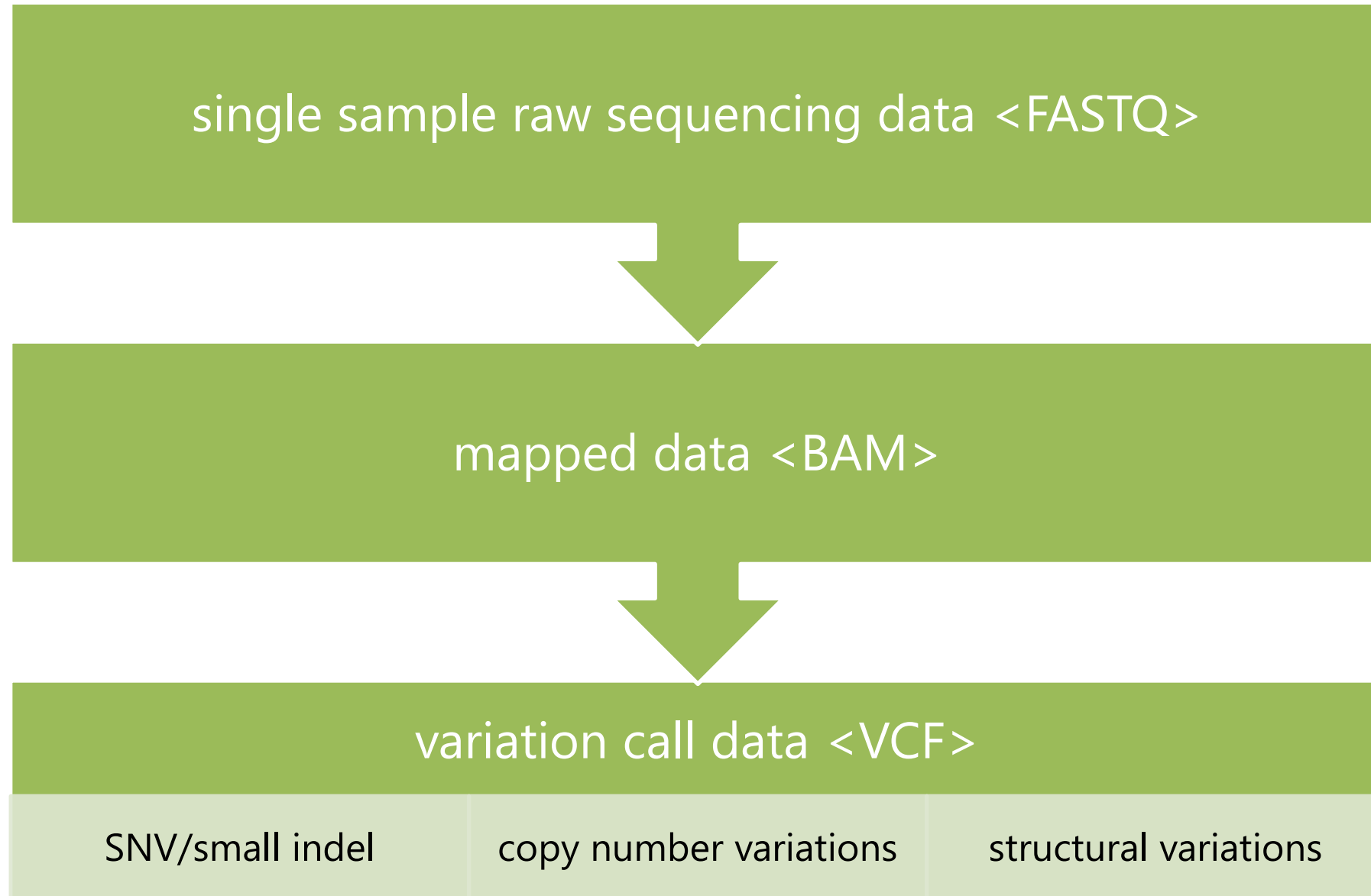
Bioinformatics and Unix-like systems

- Most of bioinformatics software packages require Unix-based systems
- Bioinformatics analyses requires workflow management □ combination of multiple packages written by different scientists including you.
- Yes, GUI systems are easy to use.
- CUI systems are good for workflow management.
- On CUI system, tiny scripts written by yourselves are self-documented, machine-readable, and reproducible workflow description. Use Linux.

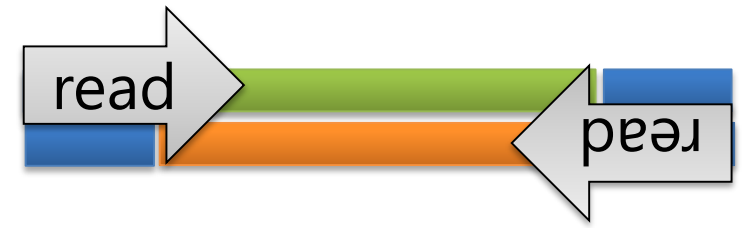
Rare disease genome analysis workflow



NGS data processing outline



mapping / alignment



- For each reads, finding **the most similar**, but not necessarily identical sequence in the reference genome.
- The BWA software package is de facto-standard.

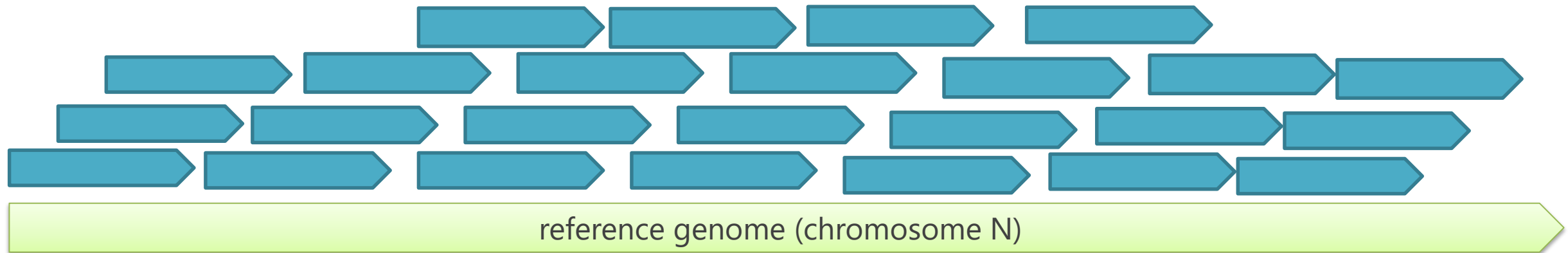


human reference genome assemblies

UCSC name	GRC name	release
hg18	NCBI 36	2006/03
hg19	GRCh37	2009/04
hg38	GRCh38	2013/12

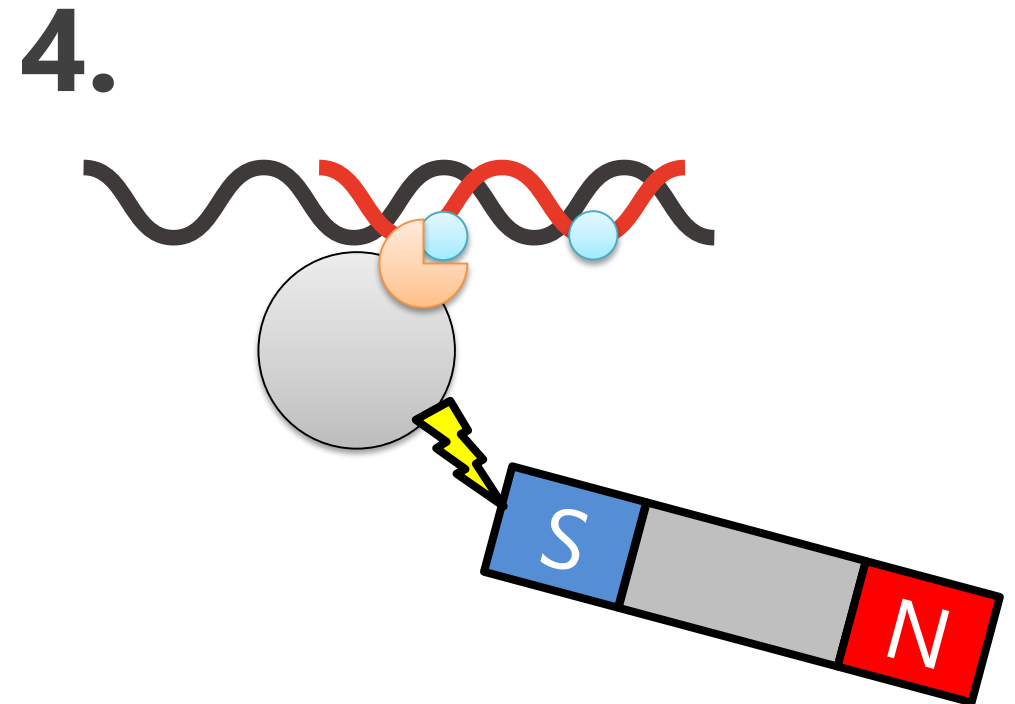
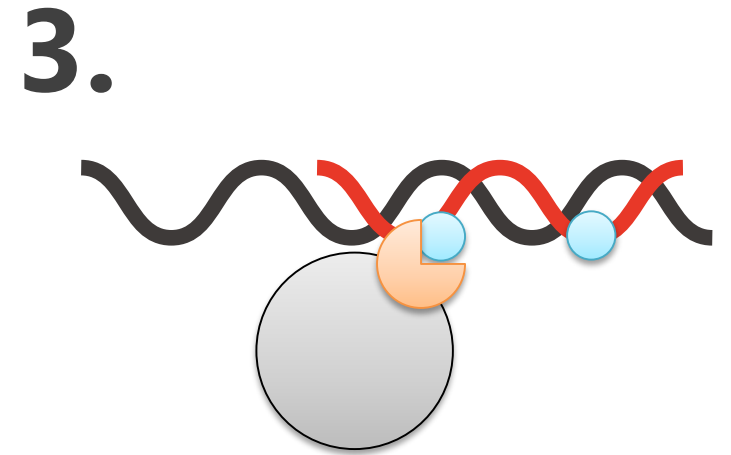
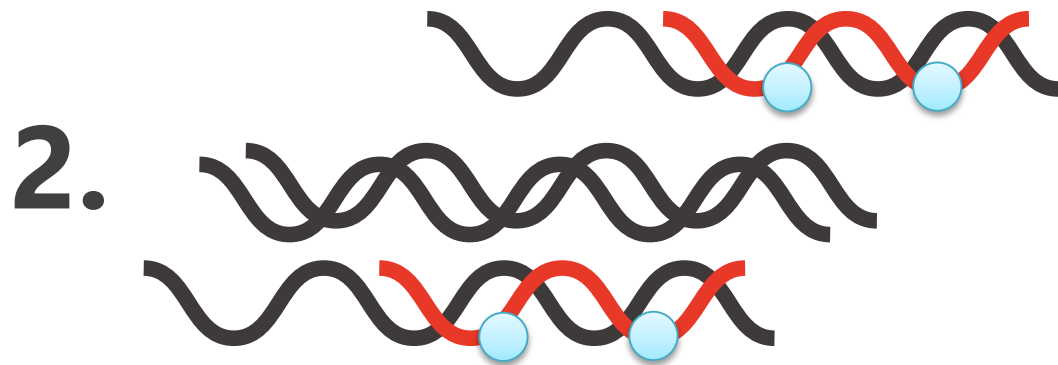
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Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS)



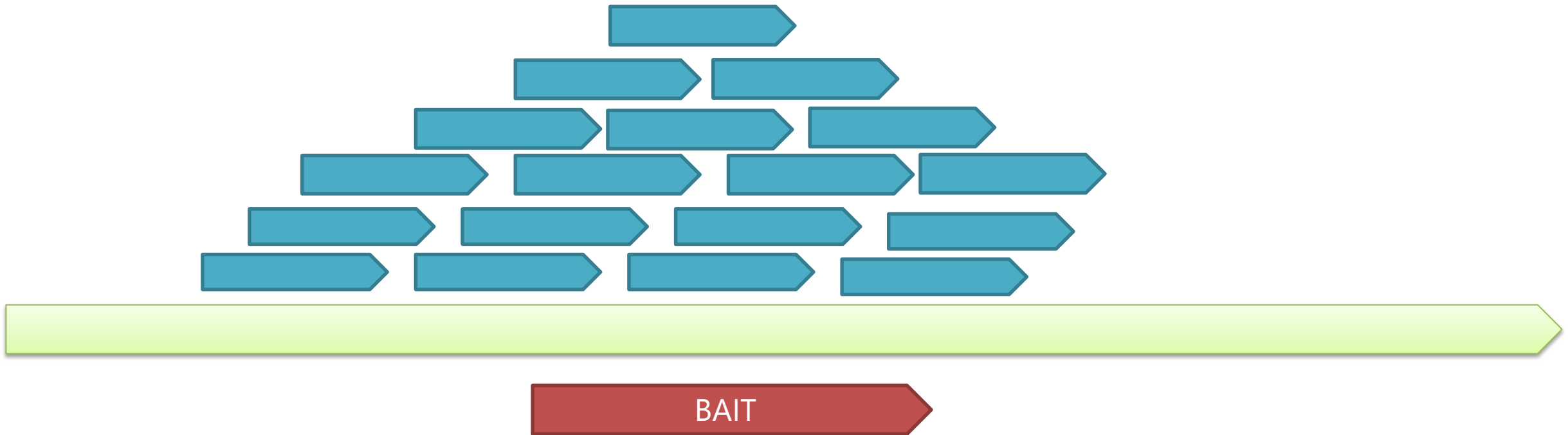
(indicating only reads mapped on the plus strand)

exome enrichment using RNA baits



NGS human genomic data analysis

Whole Exome Sequencing (WES)



Pros and cons in WGS and WES

	WGS	WES
Target	Whole genome (50x larger than WES)	Genes (about 2% of genome)
Effectivity to find gene mutations	Low	High
Exome capture bait reagents	No	Yes (not cheap)
Capturing benchwork	No	Yes
depth bias	Low	High
Outside of exons	Yes	No
SNVs and indel	Yes	Yes
CNVs	Yes	Yes but noisy

the FASTQ file format

- text-based format
- a nucleotide sequence (=FASTA) + quality scores

@READ_NAME
NUCLEOTIDE_SEQUENCE
+
NUCLEOTIDE_QUALITY

@HWI-D00385:284:HKJCLBCX3:1:1101:1155:2118 1:N:0:ATTCCTTTTCTTTCCC
AGGTCAAGCAGAGTGCCACACAGGCCTGTGAGGCATCTGAGGTCCAACCTAGCCAGTGTTGA
GTGTCCCAGCTGATCACTCACAGAATTTTCTAGTGATCCC
+
DDD<B<CDFHE@HHCHCHEHIIHHHHICD1FDCHIIIIHHIIGHHHIIIIIGHHIFHHHH?GHGEG
HHHHIIHHIIIIIIH?FHEHGHII@HECHE@F

the SAM/BAM file format

- sequence alignment/mapping format
- text-based (SAM) and binary (BAM) formats
- FASTQ-based information + **mapping** information
- unsorted, read name-wise sorted, coordination sorted.
- Header:
 - sort status, reference genome, sequencer, sample information
- Body:
 - chromosome, position, FASTQ, quality scores, mapping details (CIGAR)

the VCF file format

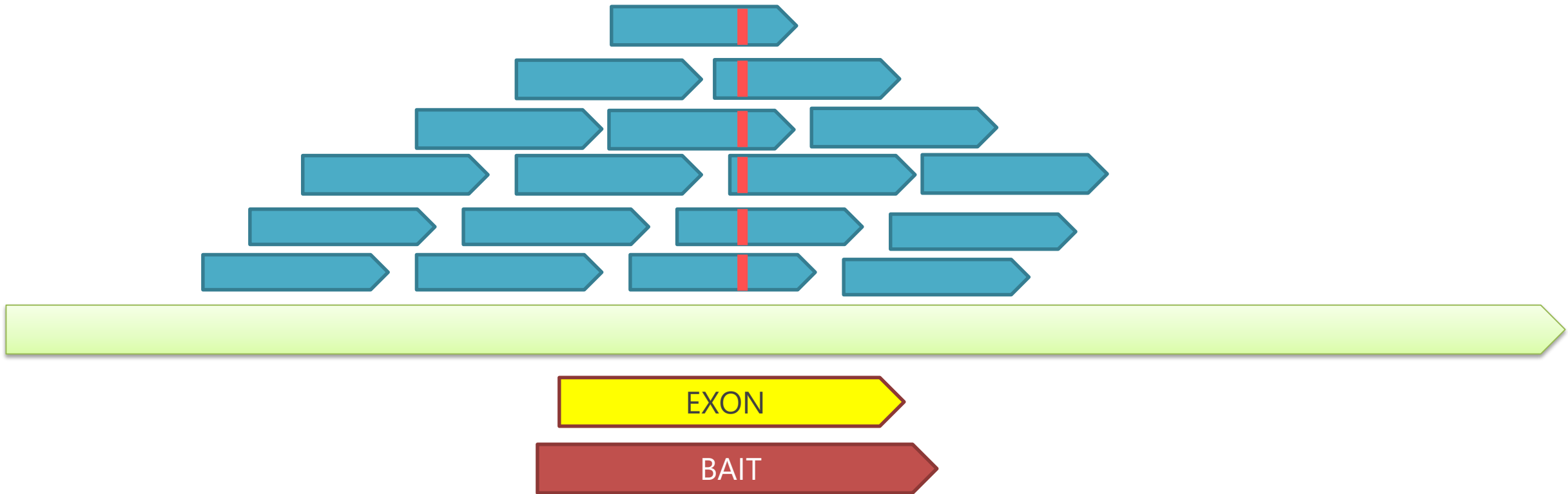
- variant call format
- text-based (vcf) and binary (bcf) formats
- variant information and their quality scores
- can include multiple sample information

#CHROM	POS	ID	REF	ALT	QUAL	FILTER	INFO	FORMAT	MY_SAMPLE1
chr20	14370	rs6054257	G	A	29	PASS	NS=1;DP=14 ;AF=0.5	GT:GQ:DP:HQ	0 1:48:8:51,51
chr20	17330	.	T	A	3	q10	NS=1;DP=11 ;AF=0.017	GT:GQ:DP:HQ	0/1:3:5:65,3

Single Nucleotide Variation (SNV) calling

A homozygous SNV in WES

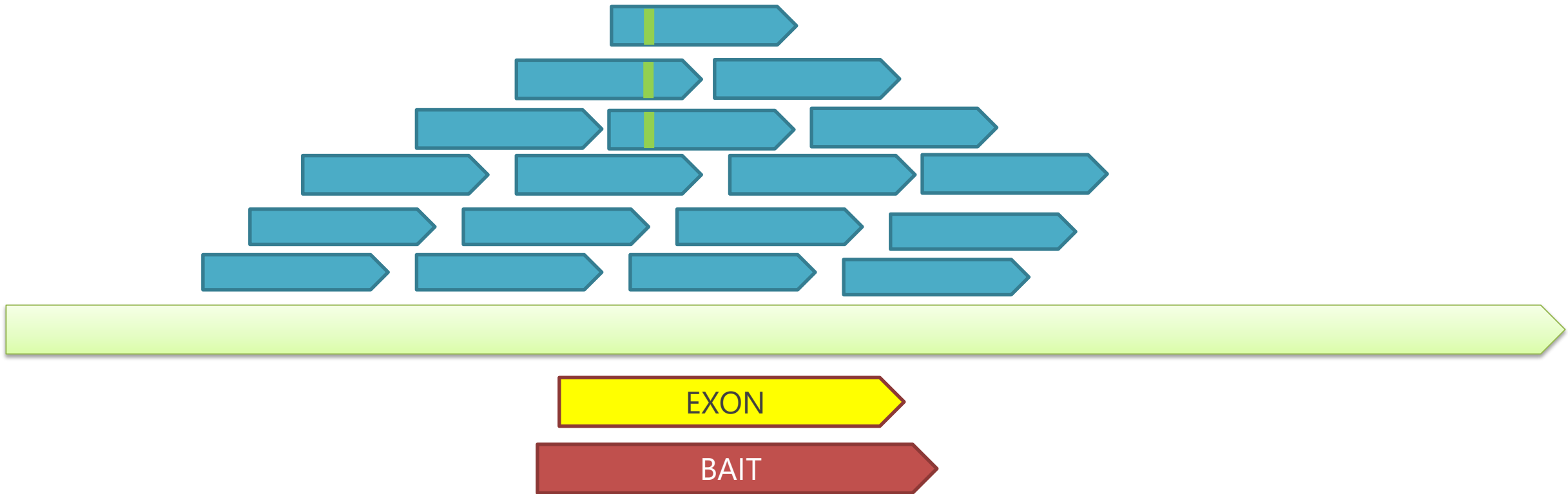
| = alternative nucleotide



Single Nucleotide Variation (SNV) calling

A heterozygous SNV in WES

| = alternative nucleotide



Interpretation of pathogenic variations

variations in multiple (family) samples <VCFs>



arrowing with possible inheritance mode

de novo

mendelian dominant

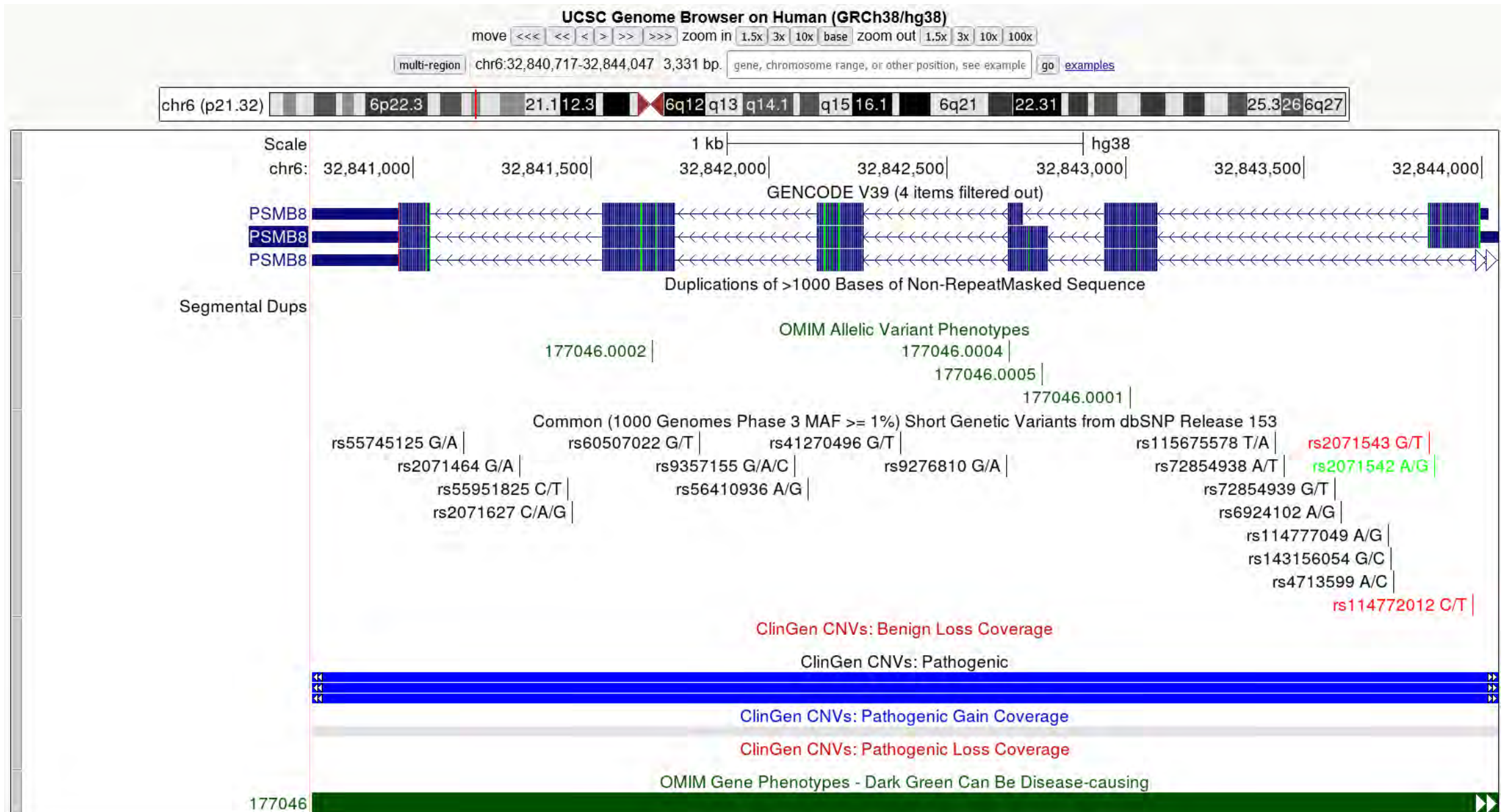
mendelian recessive



annotation using public databases



pathogenic mutation candidates



Important Disease-related Public Databases



OMIM®

Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man®

An Online Catalog of Human Genes and Genetic Disorders

<https://www.omim.org/>

ACTGATGGTATGGGGCCAAGAGATATATCT
CAGGTACGGCTGTCATCACTTAGACCTCAC
CAGGGCTGGGCATAAAAGTCAGGGCAGAGC
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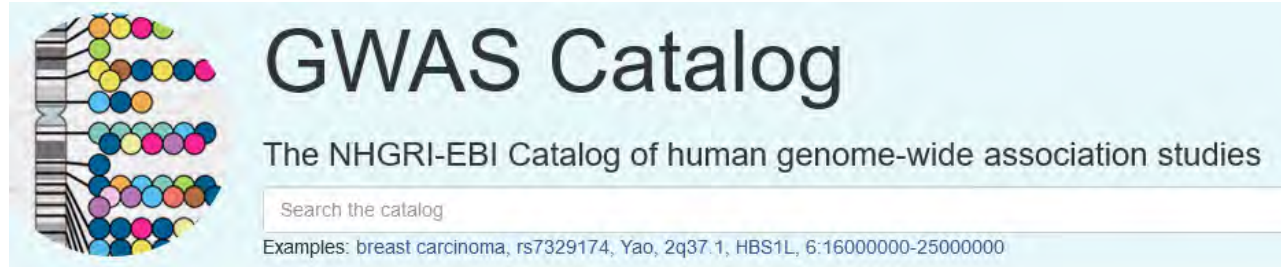
ClinVar

ClinVar aggregates information about genomic variation and its relationship to human health.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/clinvar/>



<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic>

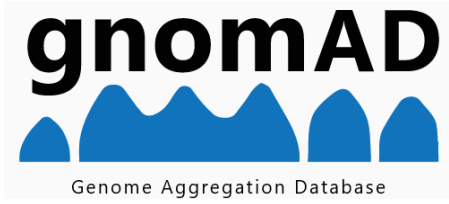


<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/gwas/>



A comprehensive Japanese genetic variation database

<https://togovar.biosciencedbc.jp/>



The Genome Aggregation Database (gnomAD)

<https://gnomad.broadinstitute.org/>

- The world biggest human genome variation DB
- WES 125,748 and WGS 76,156 samples
- Common variations in gnomAD can be omitted from candidates.
- Including European, African, Asian and Latin American populations.
- Sample size of **Japanese (76)** and **Middle east (158)** population is **still small**.

jMorp of Tohoku Medical Megabank (ToMMo)

<https://jmorp.megabank.tohoku.ac.jp/> including "14KJPN"

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Welcome to
Japanese Multi Omics
Reference Panel.

**Phenome**

**Metabolome**

**Proteome**

**Transcriptome**

**Methylome**

**Genome Variation**

**Genome Sequence**

Metagenome

PGx

Metabolome

Proteome

ToMMo ISO-Seq

IMM Transcriptome

IMM Methylome

14KJPN (short-read based
SNV/INDEL)

JSV1 (long-read based SV)

8.3KJPN-SV (short-read based SV)

JG2.1.0

jMorp release 202112

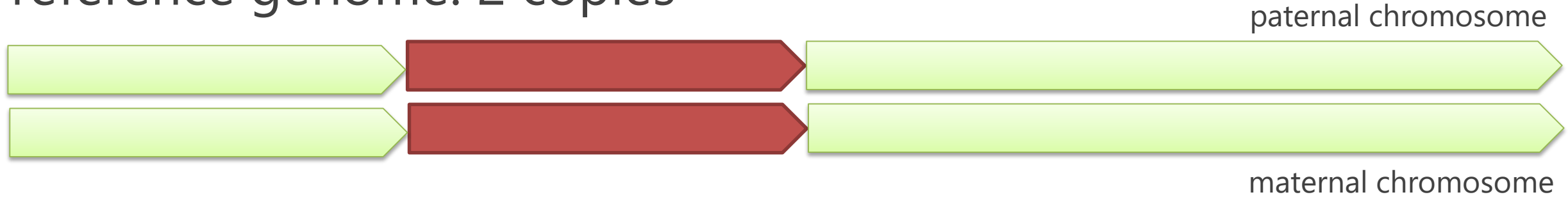
December 8th, 2021
Major Genome/Methylome update
[Genome Sequence]: We released Japanese reference genome JG2.1.0 as a successor of JG2.0.0 beta. In JG2.1.0, GRCh38-derived sequences are patched for undetermined regions. Resource bundles for WGS are available.
[Short-read based SNP analysis (Genome Variation)]: 14KJPN, allele and genotype frequency panels from about 14,000 Japanese individuals were released.
[Short/Long-read based structural variation analysis (Genome Variation)]: We released JSV1, a structural variation panel utilizing long-read sequencing technology of 333 individuals composing 111 trios. We also released 8.3KJPN-SV, a structural variation panel based on short read technology from about 8,300 individuals. (2021/Dec/17: JSV1 vcf files were updated.)
[Genetic Map]: Result of estimation of genome-wide recombination rate from linkage disequilibrium information of 300 haploid genomes is available from [Downloads](#) page.
[Methylome]: New tracks for DNA methylation levels of cord blood and nucleated RBC were added to [Genome Browser](#).

January 7th, 2022
Bug Fix
We fixed a bug that prevented the ClinVar annotation in the Genomic Variation table from being displayed properly.

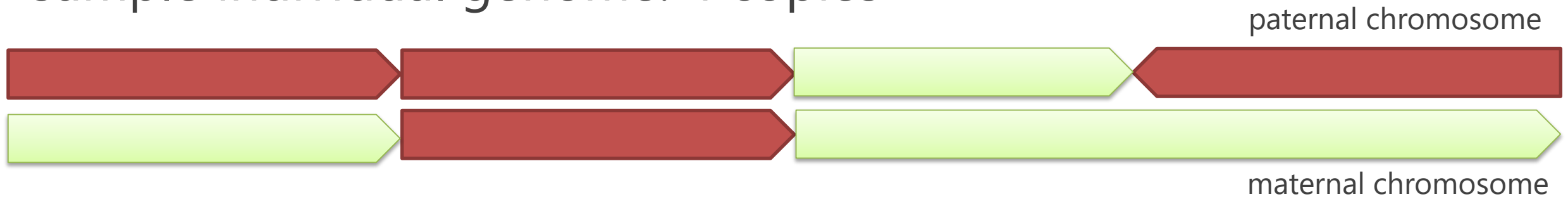
February 4th, 2022
Bug Fix
Fixed the % of WT CLint value for Xanthine oxidation and 6-thioxanthine oxidation by Xanthine oxidase shown on PGx page.

copy number variations (CNVs)

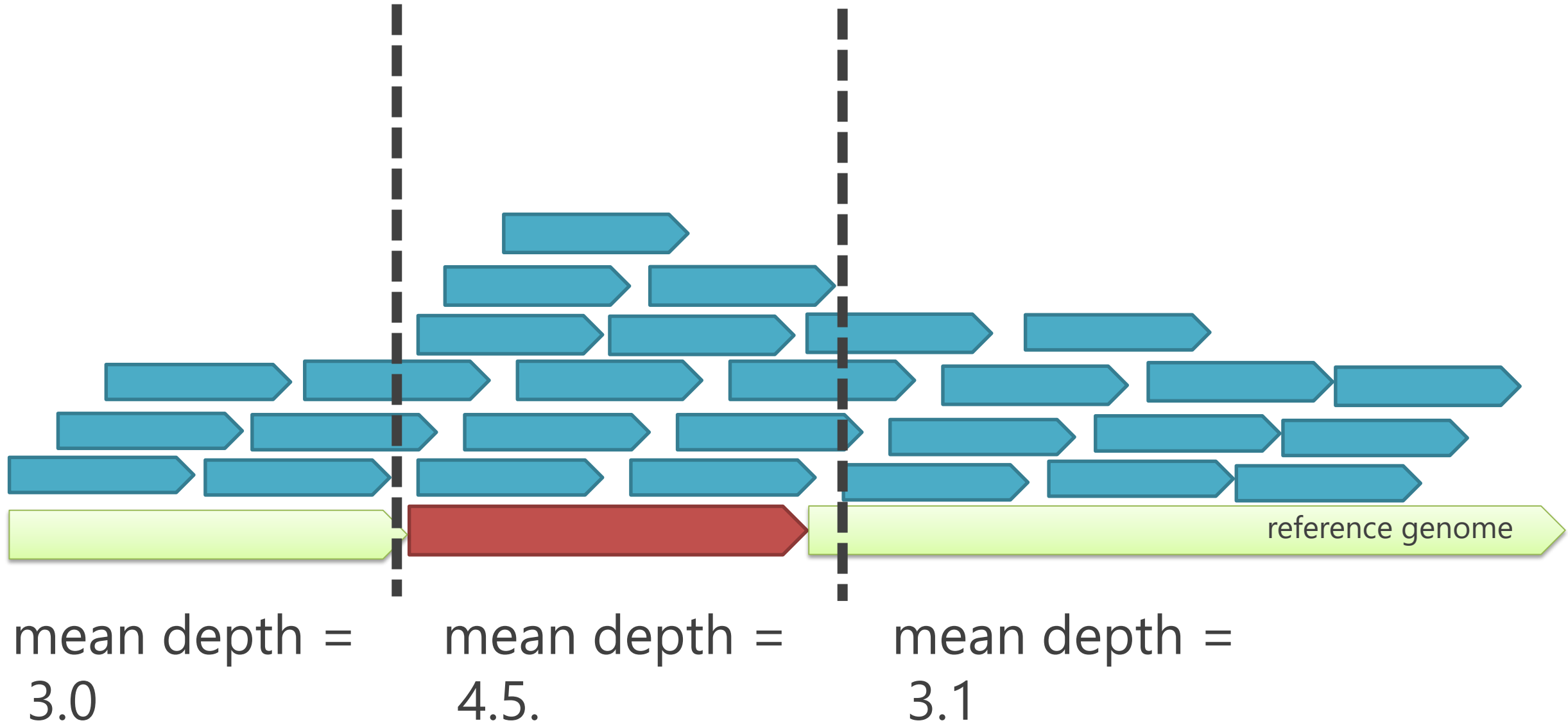
reference genome: 2 copies



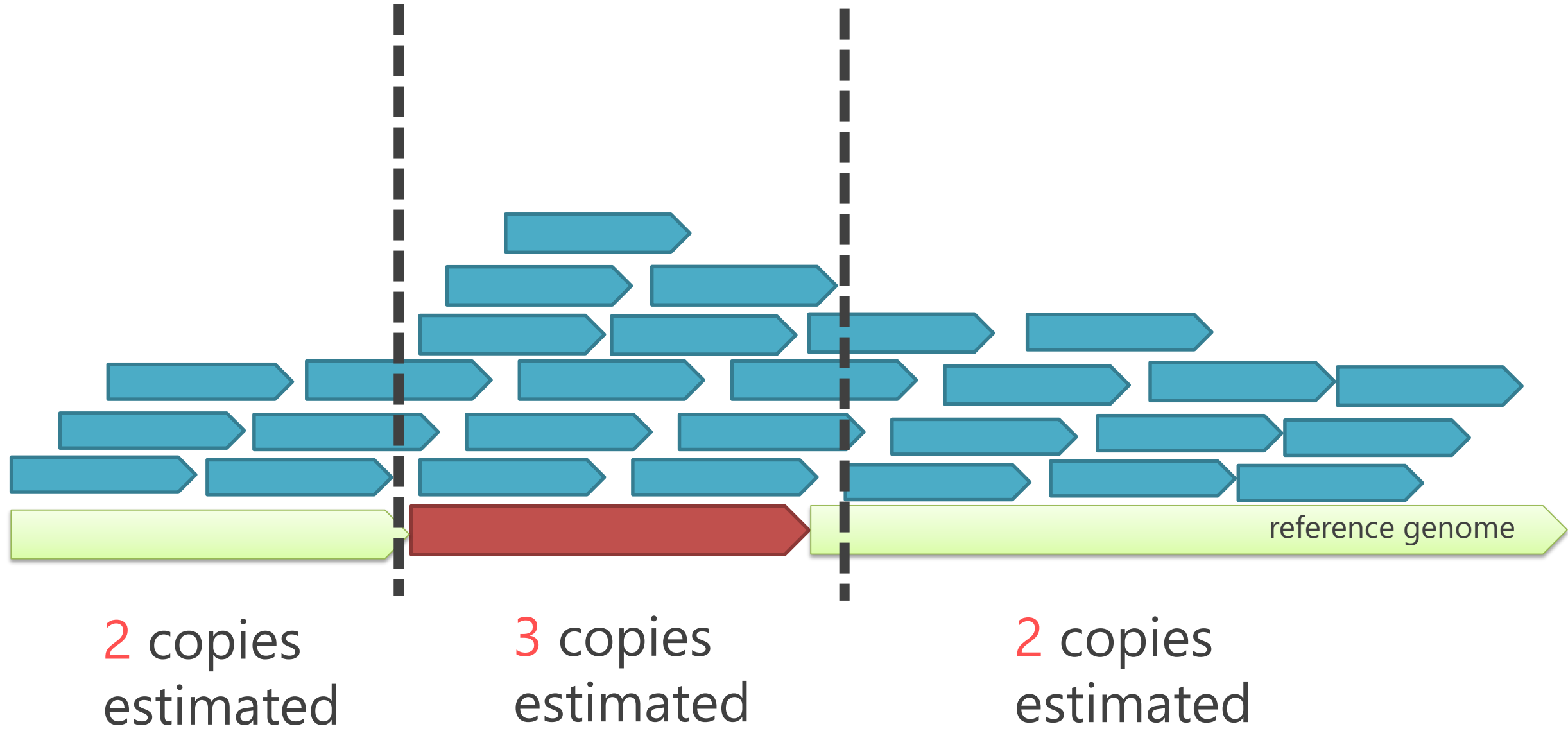
sample individual genome: 4 copies



CNV calling in WGS



CNV calling in WGS



normalization of WGS/WES depths

- WGS – **lower** noises
 - genome-wide average
 - reference GC%
 - reference complexity
- WES – **higher** noises
 - bait bias / bait design
 - inter-experimental noise
 - batch effect

CNVnator

<https://github.com/abyzovlab/CNVnator>

EXCAVATOR2

<https://sourceforge.net/projects/excavator2tool/>

cn.MOPS

<http://www.bioinf.jku.at/software/cnmops/cnmops.html>

XHMM

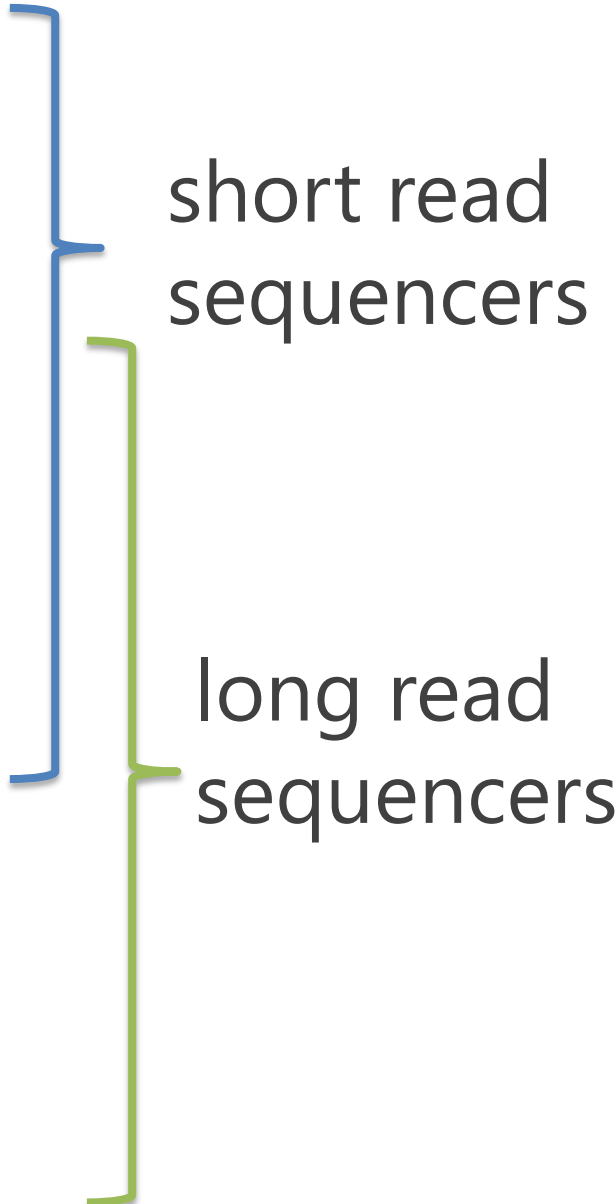
<https://statgen.bitbucket.io/xhmm/>

CNVkit

<https://cnvkit.readthedocs.io/>

Genomic variations

- Single Nucleotide Variations (SNVs)
- small insertions and deletions (indels)
- copy-number variation (CNVs)
- genomic structural variations (SVs)
 - (large) insertion
 - (large) deletion
 - inversion
 - duplication
- Repeated sequence
 - simple repeats
 - interspersed elements (LINE/SINE)
 - heterochromatin / telomeres



short read
sequencers

long read
sequencers

Today's take-home messages

- In NGS research projects of human health...
- Both “Wet” and “dry” experiments are essential for successful analyses.
 - A target population diversity, including Tunisians and Japanese, is essential.
 - Building public databases for Tunisians and Japanese is a challenge for the future.