

Workshop Format

We'll be going through these topics today:

- Genome Diff format / manual curation of results
- Applying/subtracting mutations to update a reference seq
- Comparing many samples, counting mutations
- Export for analysis in other programs
- Phylogenetic trees, Muller plots

Feel free to jump in with questions or ask them the chat!

I recommend you open a browser to this page:

<https://barricklab.org/breseq>

It will have links to some of the files we are looking at.

breseq :: Advanced Topics



<https://barricklab.org/breseq>

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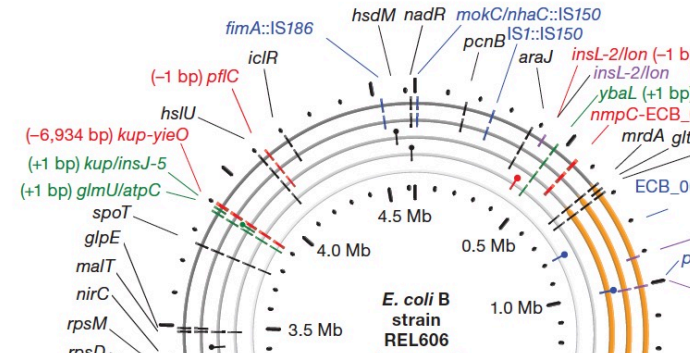


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Some uses of *breseq*

Genetics

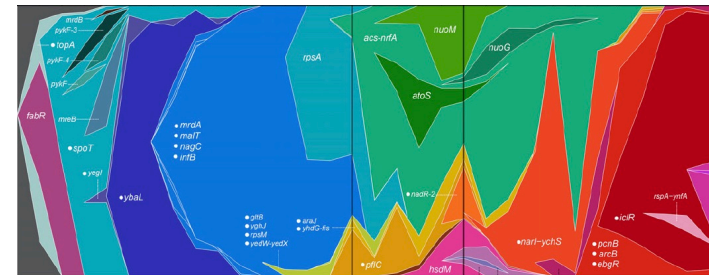
- Mechanisms of antibiotic resistance
- Mapping suppressor mutations



Barrick et al. (2009) *Nature*

Experimental evolution

- Rates/nature of genome evolution
- Genetic diversity in populations



Maddamsetti et al. (2015) *Genetics*

Biotechnology

- Verifying engineered plasmids/genomes
- Understanding beneficial mutations that arise during adaptive laboratory evolution

Last Time: Running *breseq*...

Basic *breseq* command

```
$ breseq -r reference.gbk reads_1.fastq reads_2.fastq
```

References (*-r*) can be in GenBank, GFF3, or FASTA format.

Multiple read files can be used. Paired/unpaired are treated the same.

Multiple reference files can be used:

```
-r genome.fasta -r plasmid.gff3
```

Read files can be gzipped: `reads_1.fastq.gz`

Speed up execution by using multiple threads: `-j 8`

View common options


```
$ breseq
```

View all options

```
$ breseq -h or $ breseq --help
```

...and Viewing HTML Output

output/index.html

 **breseq** version 0.35.6 revision c7cf8df53bcd
[mutation predictions](#) | [marginal predictions](#) | [summary statistics](#) | [genome diff](#) | [command line log](#)

Predicted mutations					
evidence	position	mutation	annotation	gene	description
RA	380,188	A→C	F239L (TTT→TTG)	<i>araJ</i> ←	predicted transporter
RA	475,292	+G	coding (14/1677 nt)	<i>ybaL</i> ←	predicted transporter with NAD(P)-binding Rossmann-fold domain
RA	649,391	T→A	I471F (ATC→TTC)	<i>mrda</i> ←	transpeptidase involved in peptidoglycan synthesis (penicillin-binding protein 2)
RA	683,496	A→C	V65G (GTT→GGT)	<i>nagC</i> ←	DNA-binding transcriptional dual regulator, repressor of N-acetylglucosamine
JC JC	969,836	IS150 (+) +3 bp	coding (810-812/2283 nt)	<i>pflB</i> ←	pyruvate formate lyase I
RA	1,329,516	C→T	H33Y (CAC→TAC)	<i>topA</i> →	DNA topoisomerase I
JC JC	1,544,289	IS150 (-) +3 bp	coding (150-152/1536 nt)	<i>xasA</i> ←	predicted glutamate:gamma-aminobutyric acid antiporter
JC JC	1,733,647	IS150 (-) +3 bp	coding (683-685/1413 nt)	<i>pykF</i> →	pyruvate kinase
RA	1,976,879	T→G	intergenic (-57/-76)	<i>yedW</i> ← / → <i>yedX</i>	predicted DNA-binding response regulator in two-component system with YedV/hypothetical protein
RA	2,082,685	G→A	A494V (GCT→GTT)	<i>yegI</i> ←	hypothetical protein
RA	2,499,315	G→A	intergenic (-110/-179)	<i>maeB</i> ← / → <i>talA</i>	malic enzyme/transaldolase A
RA	3,045,069	G→T	T312N (ACC→AAC)	<i>yghJ</i> ←	predicted inner membrane lipoprotein
RA	3,248,957	A→T	D764E (GAT→GAA)	<i>infB</i> ←	translation initiation factor IF-2
MC JC	3,289,962	Δ16 bp	coding (96-111/4554 nt)	<i>glbB</i> →	glutamate synthase, large subunit
RA	3,339,158	A→C	intergenic (+22/-4)	<i>yhdG</i> → / → <i>fis</i>	tRNA-dihydrouridine synthase B/DNA-binding protein Fis
RA	3,370,027	T→A	K117M (AAG→ATG)	<i>rpsM</i> ←	30S ribosomal protein S13
RA	3,424,910	G→A	M1M (ATG→ATA) ↑	<i>nirC</i> →	nitrite transporter
RA	3,483,047	C→A	R455S (CGC→AGC)	<i>malT</i> →	transcriptional regulator MalT
RA	3,762,741	A→T	K662I (AAA→ATA)	<i>spoT</i> →	bifunctional (p)ppGpp synthetase II/ guanosine-3',5'-bis pyrophosphate 3'-pyrophosphohydrolase
RA	3,875,632	(T) ₇ → ₈	intergenic (-66/+287)	<i>glmU</i> ← / ← <i>atpC</i>	bifunctional N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphate uridylyltransferase/glucosamine-1-phosphate acetyltransferase/F0F1 ATP synthase subunit epsilon
RA	3,893,551	+G	intergenic (+6/-50)	<i>kup</i> → / → <i>insJ-5</i>	potassium transporter/IS150 hypothetical protein
MC JC	3,894,997	Δ6,934 bp	IS150-mediated	<i>rbsD</i> -[<i>yieO</i>]	<i>rbsD</i> , <i>rbsA</i> , <i>rbsC</i> , <i>rbsB</i> , <i>rbsK</i> , <i>rbsR</i> , [<i>yieO</i>]
RA	4,100,655	C→T	M192I (ATG→ATA)	<i>hslU</i> ←	ATP-dependent protease ATP-binding subunit
RA	4,126,706	(T) ₈ → ₇	coding (342/879 nt)	<i>pflC</i> →	pyruvate formate lyase II activase
RA	4,560,632	T→C	Y131C (TAC→TGC)	<i>hsdM</i> ←	DNA methylase M

Unassigned missing coverage evidence									
	seq id	start	end	size	←reads	reads→	gene	description	
* - ±	REL606	546953-547700	555934-555877	8178-8982	20 [18]	[16] 19	[<i>insB-6</i>]-[<i>ECB_00513</i>]	[<i>insB-6</i>], <i>insA-6</i> , <i>nmpC</i> , <i>ybcR</i> , <i>ybcS</i> , <i>ybcT</i> , <i>ybcU</i> , <i>ECB_00510</i> , <i>nohB</i> , <i>ECB_00512</i> ,[<i>ECB_00513</i>]	
* - ±	REL606	2031675-2031718	2054970-2054943	23226-23296	21 [17]	[18] 21	[<i>manB</i>]-[<i>cpsG</i>]	[<i>manB</i>], <i>manC</i> , <i>insB-14</i> , <i>insA-14</i> , <i>wbbD</i> , <i>wbbC</i> , <i>wzy</i> , <i>wbbB</i> , <i>wbbA</i> , <i>vioB</i> , <i>vioA</i> , <i>wzx</i> , <i>rmlC</i> , <i>rfaA</i> , <i>rfaD</i> , <i>rfaB</i> , <i>galF</i> , <i>wcaM</i> , <i>wcaL</i> , <i>wcaK</i> , <i>wzc</i> , <i>wcaJ</i> ,[<i>cpsG</i>]	

Unassigned new junction evidence										
	seq id	position	reads (cov)	reads (cov)	score	skew	freq	annotation	gene	product
* ?	REL606	= 547699	NA (NA)	80 (1.360)	37/70	0.2	NA	noncoding (1/768 nt)	IS1	repeat region
* ?	REL606	555924 =	NA (NA)					coding (1209/2346 nt)	ECB_00513	conserved hypothetical protein

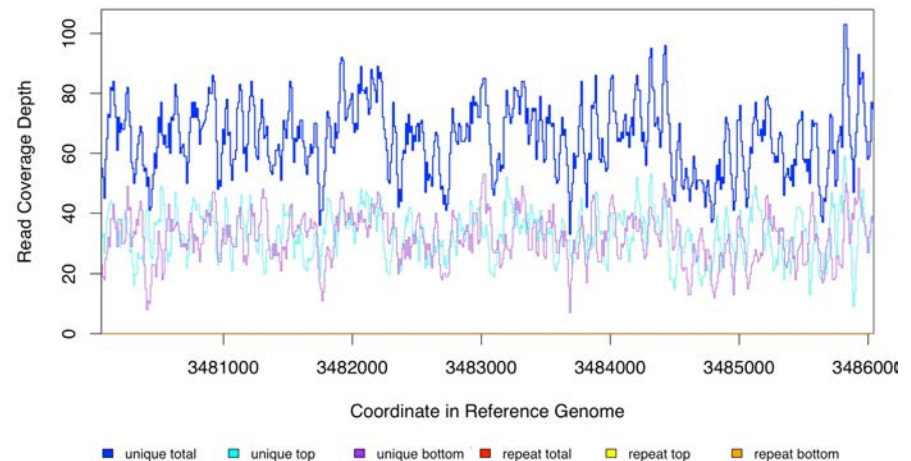
Utilities to explore output

You can run utility subcommands from inside the main output directory of a *breseq* run. `$ breseq --help` to see others.

```
$ breseq BAM2ALN
-o alignment.html
REL606:3483047-3483047
```

```
AAGACACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGCGCGCCCAAGTGCCGATTAAAGATGGTAATCCG > REL606/3483015-3483079
aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg < 1:2369690/36-1 (MQ=255)
aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg > 1:577628/1-36 (MQ=255)
aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg > 2:1772887/1-36 (MQ=255)
aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg < 1:130379/36-1 (MQ=255)
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aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg > 1:1820887/1-36 (MQ=255)
aagaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg > 1:2369308/36-1 (MQ=255)
agaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg > 2:3469595/1-36 (MQ=255)
agaCACCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgpcg < 2:1489970/36-1 (MQ=255)
cacCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCa > 1:1927484/1-36 (MQ=255)
cacCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCa > 2:2734863/36-1 (MQ=255)
cacCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCa < 2:2587112/36-1 (MQ=255)
cacCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCa < 2:1926447/36-1 (MQ=255)
acCATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:885743/36-1 (MQ=255)
ccATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:2448233/1-36 (MQ=255)
ccATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 1:3403951/36-1 (MQ=255)
ccATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg > 2:3361806/1-36 (MQ=255)
cATGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg > 2:3230993/1-36 (MQ=255)
aTGACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:1743516/36-1 (MQ=255)
aTGACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:3672937/36-1 (MQ=255)
aTGACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg > 1:3325866/1-36 (MQ=255)
aTGACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 1:3348771/36-1 (MQ=255)
tGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:3403193/36-1 (MQ=255)
tGCACGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 2:1611056/1-36 (MQ=255)
gCACCgTAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 1:2589008/1-36 (MQ=38)
taCGCAGAAATTAACGCTCTGgCGCCCAg < 1:2979881/35-1 (MQ=25)
```

```
$ breseq BAM2COV
-o coverage.png
REL606:3480047-3486047
```



These can help with identifying copy number changes (e.g., duplications) and understanding complex structural variation.

Explore aligned reads using IGV



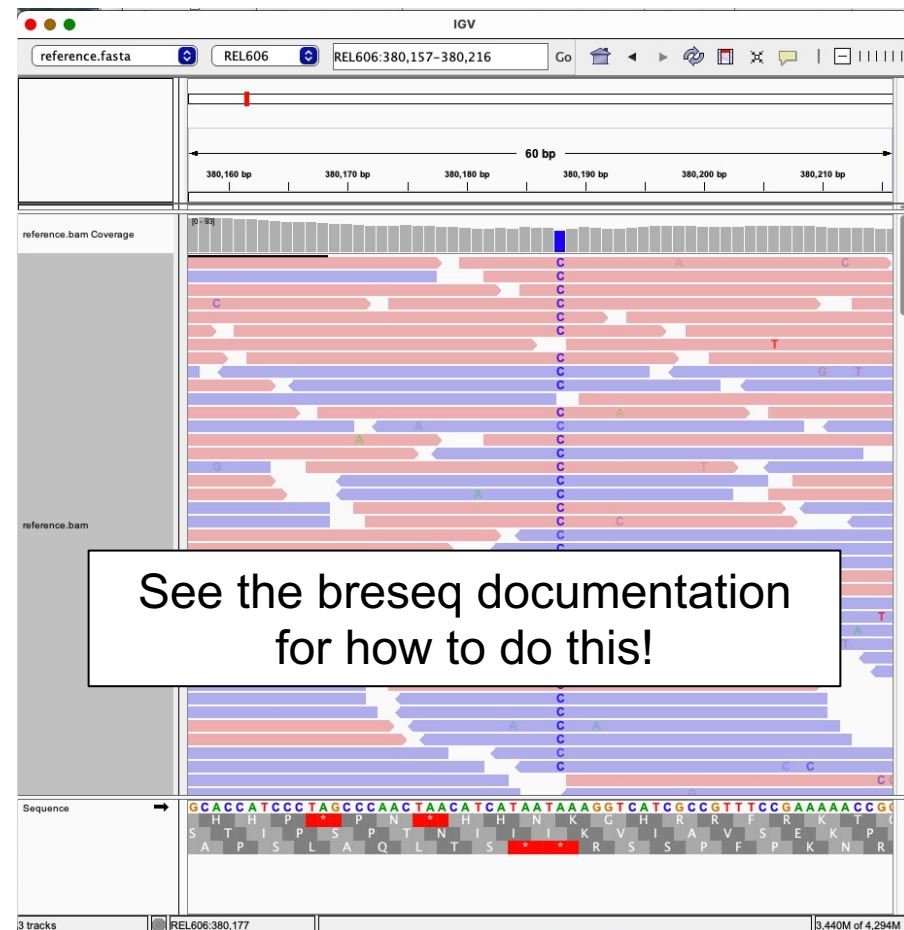
<https://software.broadinstitute.org/software/igv/>

Viewing Output / Aligned Reads in the IGV

You can visualize the “raw data” (how **breseq** aligned reads to the reference genome) using the **Integrative Genomics Viewer (IGV)** and files located in the **data** folder created by **breseq**.

1. Install and open IGV
2. Import the reference genome sequence:
 - Click ‘File’, and then ‘Import Genome...’
 - Fill out the requested information: ‘ID’, ‘Name’
 - Choose the FASTA file: `data/reference.fasta`.
 - The other fields are optional.
3. Import the reference genome feature information:
 - Click ‘File’, and then ‘Load from File...’
 - Choose the GFF3 file: `data/reference.gff3`.
4. Import the read alignments to the reference genome:
 - Click ‘File’, and then ‘Load from File...’
 - Choose the BAM file: `data/reference.bam`.

Load mutations in VCF format



Today: GenomeDiff output

Machine-readable text file describing mutations

```
#=GENOME_DIFF      1.0
#=CREATED      15:16:00 24 May 2021
#=PROGRAM      breseq 0.35.6 revision c7cf8df53bcd
#=COMMAND      breseq -j 8 -o tests/long_Ara-1_10000gen_4536A ...
#=REFSEQ      tests/long_Ara-1_10000gen_4536A/../../data/long_tests/REL606.gbk
#=READSEQ      tests/long_Ara-1_10000gen_4536A/../../data/long_tests/SRR030255_1.fastq.gz
#=READSEQ      tests/long_Ara-1_10000gen_4536A/../../data/long_tests/SRR030255_2.fastq.gz
#=CONVERTED-BASES 295047936
#=CONVERTED-READS 8195776
#=INPUT-BASES     298701576
#=INPUT-READS     8297266
#=MAPPED-BASES    277772336
#=MAPPED-READS    7750270
SNP   1      29      REL606      380188      C
INS   2      32      REL606      475292      G
SNP   3      36      REL606      649391      A
SNP   4      37      REL606      683496      C
MOB   5      101,102    REL606      969836      IS150 1      3
SNP   6      41      REL606      1329516     T
MOB   7      103,109    REL606      1544289     IS150 -1     3
MOB   8      110,111    REL606      1733647     IS150 -1     3
SNP   9      46      REL606      1976879     G
SNP  10     49      REL606      2082685     A
...
```

GenomeDiff format
output/output.gd

Format specification provided in the *breseq* manual...
Let's look at that now!

Today: gdttools utility commands

Installed/included with *breseq*

Usage: gdttools [COMMAND] [OPTIONS]

Manipulate Genome Diff (*.gd) files using the following commands.

General:

VALIDATE	check formatting of input files
APPLY	apply mutations to a sequence
ANNOTATE (or COMPARE)	annotate the effects of mutations and compare multiple samples
MUTATIONS	(re)predict mutations from evidence
NORMALIZE	normalize mutation positions and annotations

Set and Filtering Operations:

SUBTRACT	remove mutations in one file from another
INTERSECT	keep shared mutations in two files
UNION/MERGE	combine mutations, removing duplicates
FILTER/REMOVE	remove mutations matching specified conditions
MASK	remove mutation predictions in masked regions

Format Conversions:

GD2VCF	GD to Variant Call Format (VCF)
VCF2GD	Variant Call Format(VCF) to GD
GD2GVF	GD to Genome Variation Format (GVF)

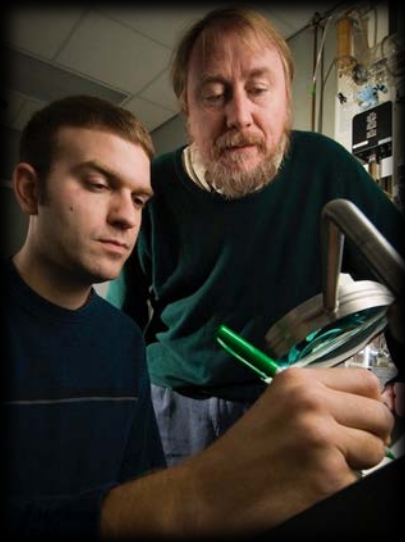
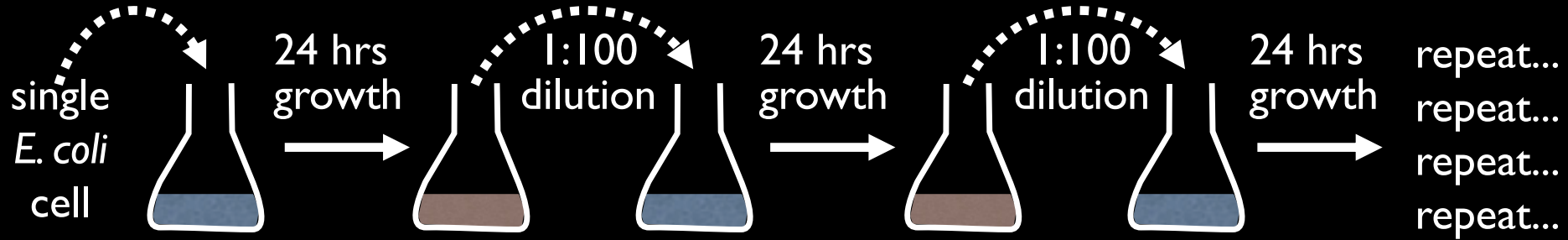
Analysis:

COUNT	count statistics for different types of mutations
PHYLOGENY	create maximum parsimony tree from mutations (requires PHYLIP)

TACC Utilities:

DOWNLOAD	download reference and read files from GD header info
RUNFILE	create a commands file and launcher script for use on TACC

Lenski Long-Term Evolution Experiment



Richard Lenski
Michigan State

- ❖ 12 independent populations
- ❖ Deep evolutionary history
- ❖ Viable frozen "fossil record"

>73,000 generations of
E. coli growth (>30 years)!



LTEE-Ecoli Repository

<https://github.com/barricklab/LTEE-Ecoli>

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jeffreybarrick renamed folder 850ab0f on May 5, 2020 43 commits

LTEE-clone-curated	Fixed links for FASTQ files for new Ara-3 genomes	4 years ago
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Curated GD files for clones from population Ara+1 in Advanced_Workshop_Files.zip

shiny	Updates to allow mutator/nonmutator filtering and download in Shi...	5 years ago
summary	Runs with newer breseq version	2 years ago
.gitignore	Added Ara-3 genomes	4 years ago
LICENSE	Initial commit	6 years ago
README.md	Update README.md	2 years ago
VERSION	Added Ara-3 genomes	4 years ago

LTEE-Ecoli v2.0.1 Latest on Dec 31, 2017 + 3 releases

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gdtools APPLY

Uses the specified mutations to update the reference file (ex: from ancestor to evolved)

```
$ gdtools APPLY -f GFF3 -o updated.gff3  
-r reference.gbk input.gd
```

If the output of running *breseq* on the updated reference comes back with no changes, you (most likely) found all mutations!

```
$ breseq -r updated.gff3 reads.fastq
```

Manual curation of GenomeDiffs

For a complete, high-quality set of mutations, you will likely have to add and subtract some mutations manually from `output.gd`.

Use an industrial strength text editor!

- Turn off line wrapping
- Show invisible characters (tabs vs spaces)

Check the formatting of your edited file:

```
$ gdttools VALIDATE -r reference.gbk input.gd
```


Options for dealing with mutations in the ancestor of your experiment

Often your strain has a few differences from the database sequence due to errors/evolution.

1. Generate an updated reference using **gdtools APPLY**. Run your samples against it.

****Downside:** sequence and gene positions in updated reference are shifted after indels. Comparing is harder.

2. Run the ancestor and samples against the database reference. Use **gdtools SUBTRACT** to remove ancestral “mutations” before analysis.

```
$ gdtools SUBTRACT -o new.gd sample.gd ref.gd
```

Export to R / Excel

Use COMPARE to create a tab-separated values (TSV) file for loading into R or Excel.



```
$ gdttools COMPARE -f TSV clone1.gd clone2.gd ...
```

Typical workflow:

Load into R as a table

Wrangle using **tidyverse**

Plot using **ggplot2**



Export to Python



genomediff-python

genomediff-python parses files in the [GenomeDiff format](#) generated by the [breseq](#) variant caller for haploid microbial organisms.

<https://github.com/barricklab/genomediff-python>

Installation

```
python setup.py install
```

Only Python 3.x is tested.

Originally created by
breseq users at DTU!

Usage

GenomeDiff files are read using `GenomeDiff.read(file)`. The `GenomeDiff` object contains a `metadata` dict with the metadata, as well as `mutations`, `evidence` and `validation` lists—each containing records of that type. Records can be accessed through this list or by id. `GenomeDiff` is iterable and iterating will return all records of all types.

```
>>> from genomediff import *
>>> document = GenomeDiff.read(open('MyDiff.gd', 'r', encoding='utf-8'))
```

Analyze and visualize using BioPython,
Pandas, Matplotlib, Plotly...

```
>>> document[191]
Record('RA', 191, None, tot_cov='46/42', new_base='A', insert_position=0, ref_base='G', seq_id='')
```



Other ways to export

VCF (Variant call format)

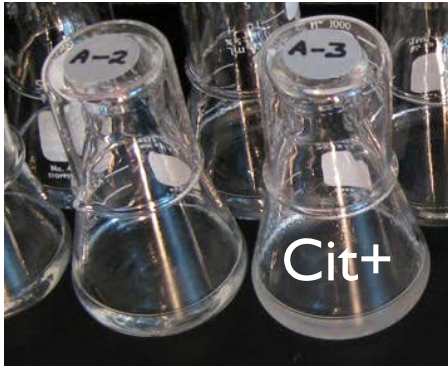
Useful for other NGS tools (e.g., IGV).

GVF (Genome Variation format)

JSON (JavaScript Object Notation)

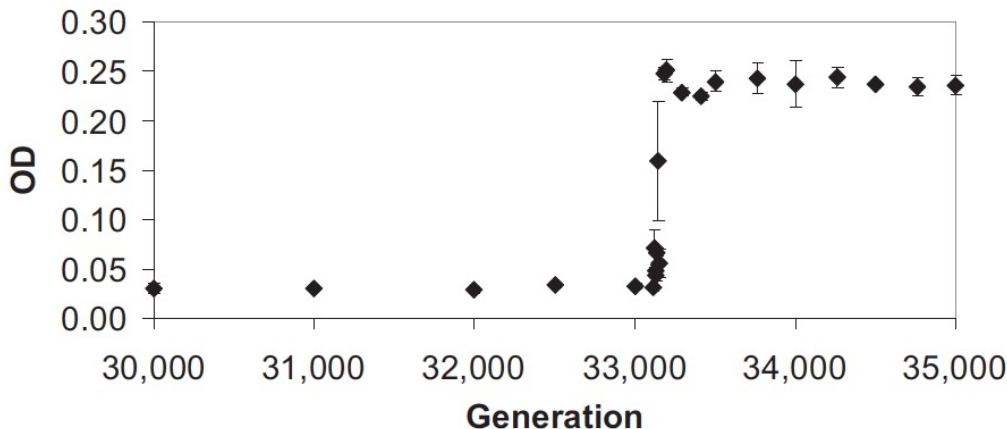
Useful for import into other scripting or programming languages (e.g., Javascript).

Analysis: Causative Mutations



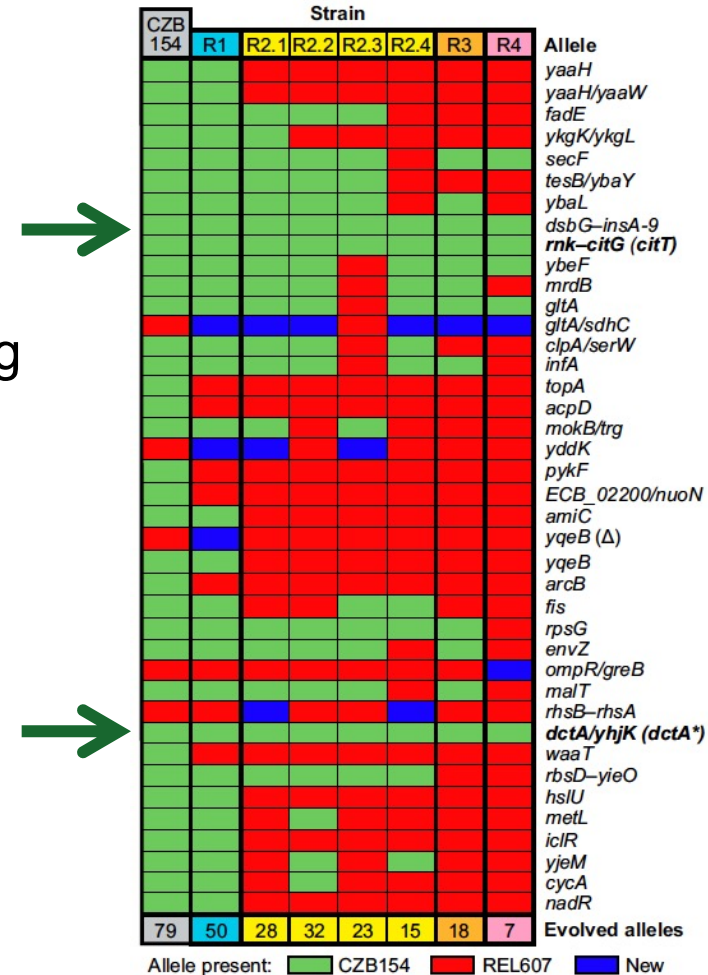
How?

Backcross and
sequence: Only
two mutations
required for strong
Cit⁺ phenotype



Citrate utilization evolved after 33,000
generations in one LTEE population

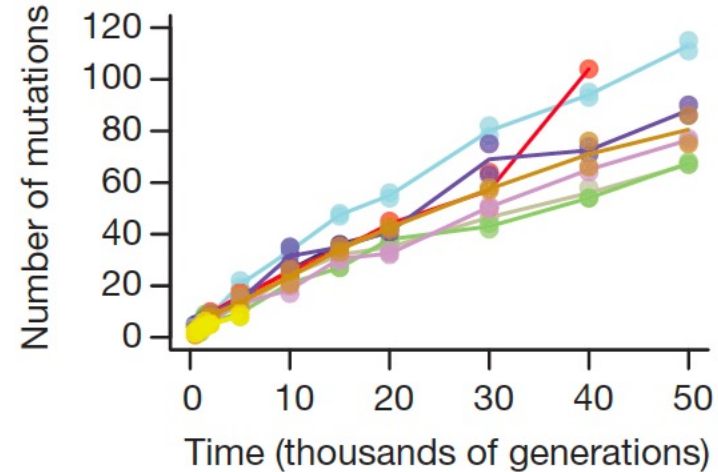
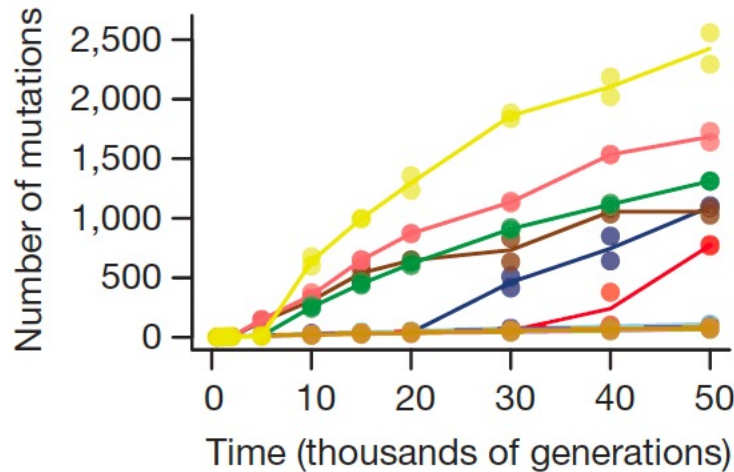
Blount *et al.* (2008) *PNAS*



\$ gdttools COMPARE...

Quandt *et al.* (2014) *PNAS*

Analysis: Rates of Evolution



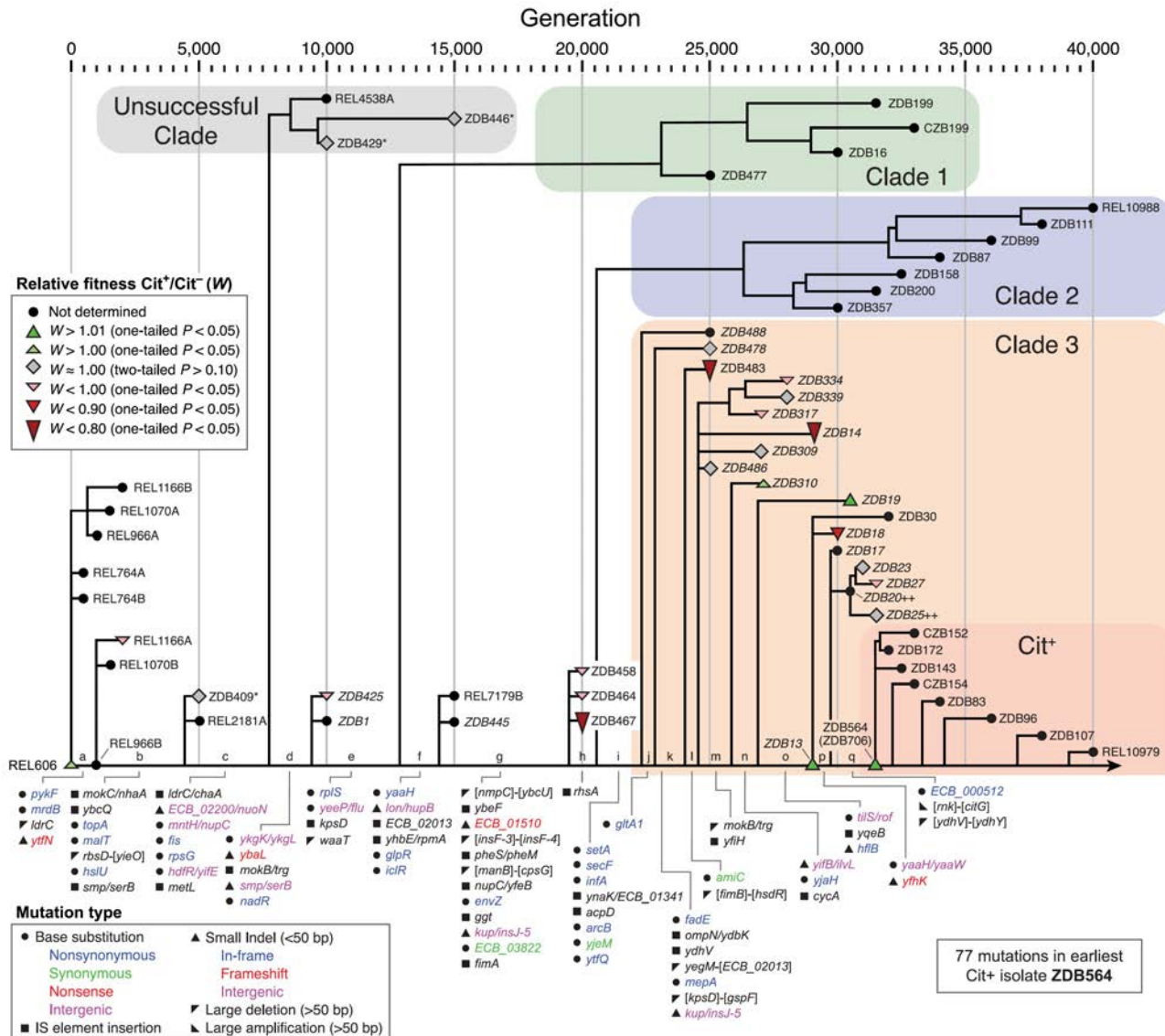
Tenaillon et al. (2016) *Nature*

● Ara-1 ● Ara-2 ● Ara-3 ● Ara-4 ● Ara-5 ● Ara-6
● Ara+1 ● Ara+2 ● Ara+3 ● Ara+4 ● Ara+5 ● Ara+6

```
$ gdttools COUNT ...
```

Outputs a table with different counts and genome statistics. Totals and divided out into specific types.

Analysis: Phylogenetic trees



What mutations led to Cit⁺ evolution?

Generate an alignment of genomic changes

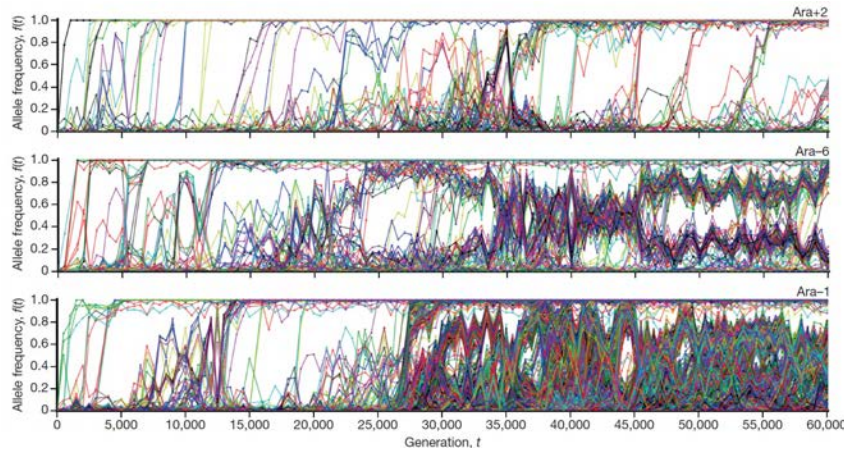
```
$ gdttools COMPARE
-f PHYLIP clone1.gd
clone2.gd ....
```

Build and visualize a maximum parsimony tree using PHYLIP, MEGAX, etc.

```
$ gdttools PHYLOGENY
-r reference.gbk
clone1.gd clone2.gd
....
```

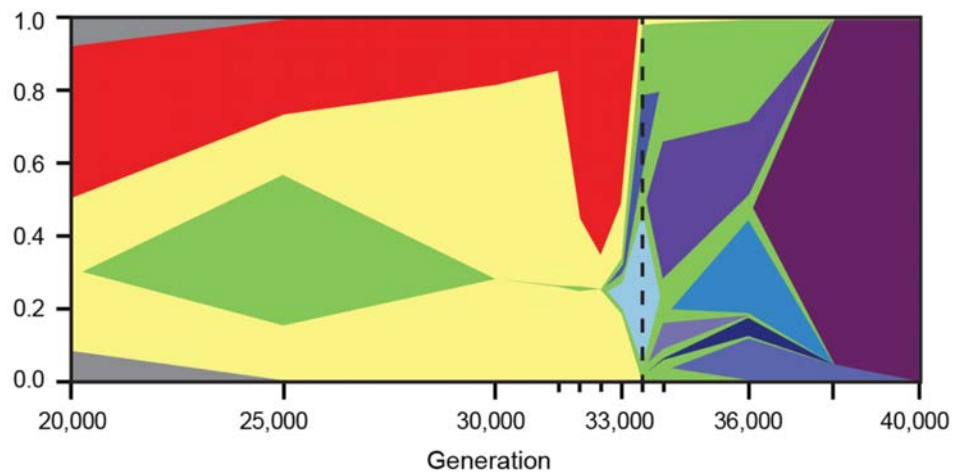
Analysis: Allele/Genotype Frequencies

Allele Frequency



Good *et al.* (2017) *Nature*

Muller Plot (Genotype Frequency)



Quandt *et al.* (2015) *eLife*

For tracking how genetic diversity evolves within populations, visualizing dynamics, selective sweeps, and stable coexistence.

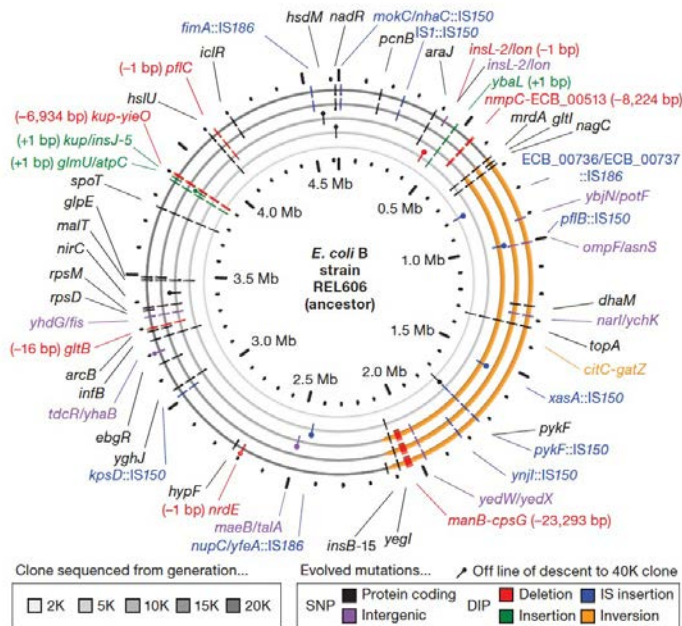
```
gdtools COMPARE -f TSV pop1.gd pop2.gd ....
```

Programs/packages that can help:

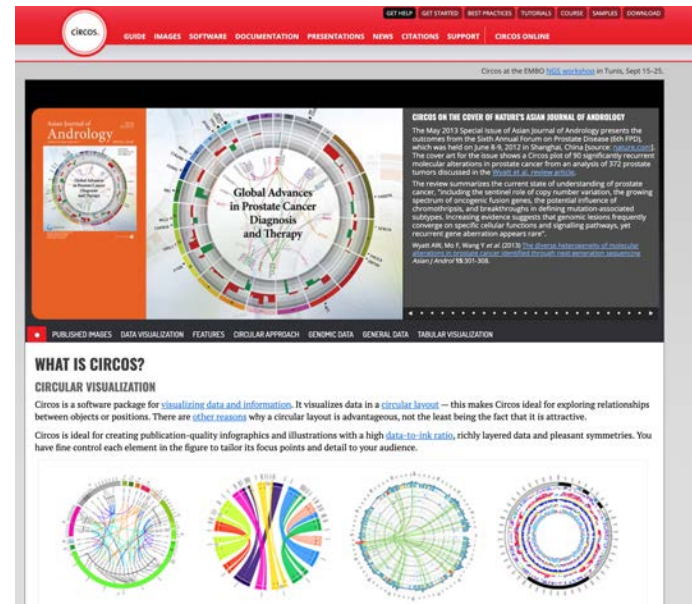
R, ggplot, ggMuller, EvoFreq, MullerPlot

Analysis: Genome Plots

CIRCOS Plot



Barrick et al. (2009) Nature



\$ gdtools GD2CIRCOS ...

+ Adobe Illustrator!

Do not use this. It is **BROKEN!**

We would love to have someone adopt this or come up with alternative visualizations!



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Tutorial: Population Samples (Polymorphism Mode)

In this exercise, you will analyze two population (metagenomic) samples using **breseq** to track the frequencies of evolved alleles and changes in genetic diversity in population Ara-3 of the Lenski long-term evolution experiment (LTEE). As discussed in [Tutorial: Clonal Samples \(Consensus Mode\)](#) this population evolved citrate utilization after 31,500 generations.



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Tutorial: Clonal Samples (Consensus Mode)

This tutorial expands on the [Test Drive](#). You will analyze mutations in the genomes of multiple clones isolated from population Ara-3 of the Lenski long-term evolution experiment (LTEE). A complex mutation is present in these samples that was necessary for evolution of the aerobic citrate utilization trait (Cit+). In addition to some tips on **breseq** usage and examples of interpreting more complex mutations in the output, this tutorial also introduces functionality in the **gdtools** utility command that can be used to compare and analyze mutations in an entire set of evolved genomes.

Note: This tutorial was created for the EMBO Practical Course [Measuring intra-species diversity using high-throughput sequencing](#) held 27–31 July 2015 in Oeiras, Portugal.

Warning: If you encounter any **breseq** or **gdtools** errors or crashes in running this tutorial, please [report issues on GitHub](#).

1. Download data files

First, create a directory called `tutorial_clonal`:

```
$ mkdir tutorial_clones
$ cd tutorial_clones
```

Reference sequence

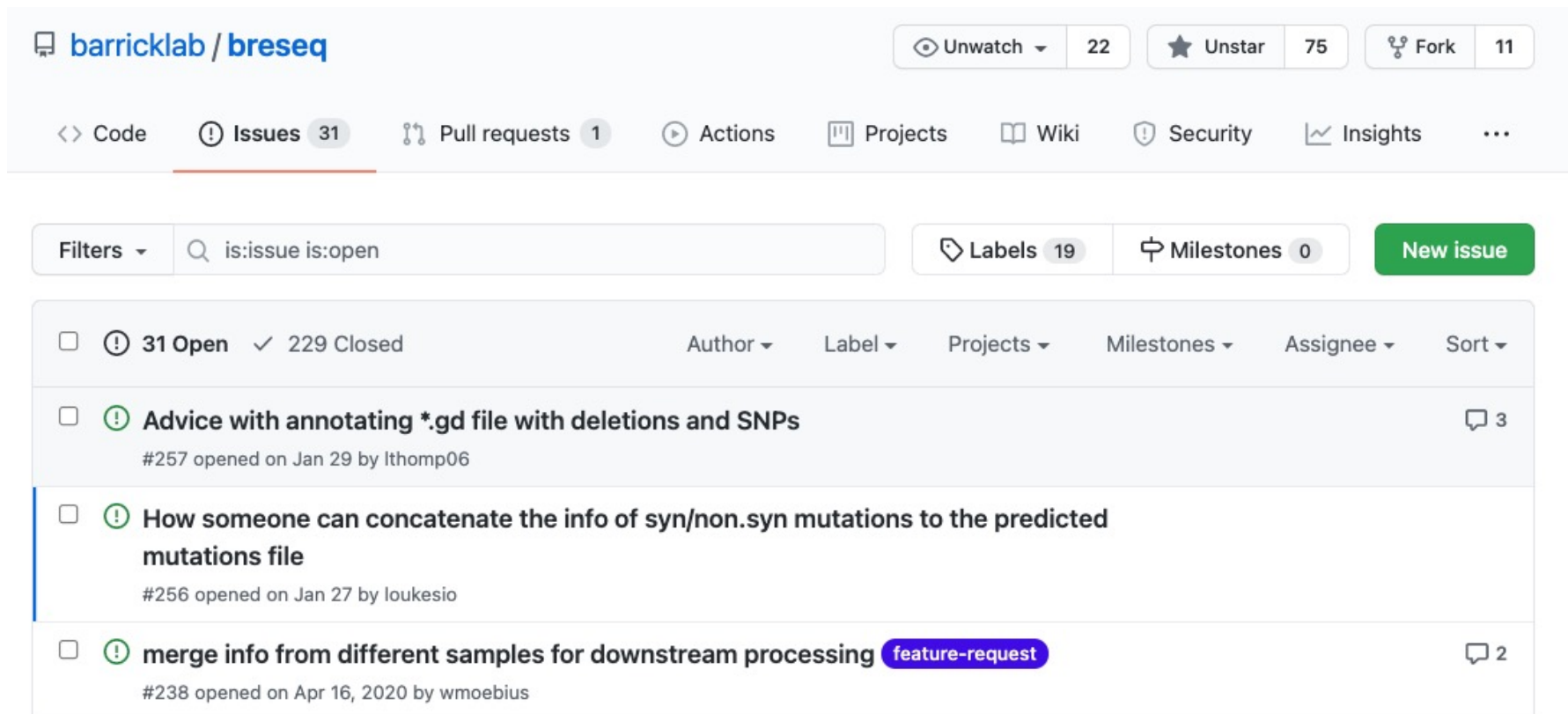
breseq prefers the reference sequence in [Genbank](#) or [GFF3](#) format. In this example, the

Let us know how we can help!

These slides can be downloaded at <http://barricklab.org/breseq>

Post bug reports and issues on GitHub

Please check that you are using the newest *breseq* version first!



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for **barricklab / breseq**. The repository has 22 watchers, 75 stars, and 11 forks. The **Issues** tab is selected, showing 31 open issues. The search bar contains the filter `is:issue is:open`. The issues list includes:

- ☐ **Advice with annotating *.gd file with deletions and SNPs**
#257 opened on Jan 29 by lthomp06
- ☐ **How someone can concatenate the info of syn/non.syn mutations to the predicted mutations file**
#256 opened on Jan 27 by loukesio
- ☐ **merge info from different samples for downstream processing** feature-request
#238 opened on Apr 16, 2020 by wmoebius

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