

1 **Extensive and deep sequencing of the Venter/HuRef genome for
2 developing and benchmarking genome analysis tools**

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18 **ABSTRACT**

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20 We produced an extensive collection of deep re-sequencing datasets for the
21 Venter/HuRef genome using the Illumina massively-parallel DNA sequencing platform.
22 The original Venter genome sequence is a very-high quality phased assembly based on
23 Sanger sequencing. Therefore, researchers developing novel computational tools for
24 the analysis of human genome sequence variation for the dominant Illumina sequencing
25 technology can test and hone their algorithms by making variant calls from these
26 Venter/HuRef datasets and then immediately confirm the detected variants in the
27 Sanger assembly, freeing them of the need for further experimental validation. This
28 process also applies to implementing and benchmarking existing genome analysis
29 pipelines. We prepared and sequenced 200 bp and 350 bp short-insert whole-genome
30 sequencing libraries (sequenced to 100x and 40x genomic coverages respectively) as
31 well as 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb mate-pair libraries (49x, 122x, and 145x physical
32 coverages respectively). Lastly, we produced a linked-read library (128x physical
33 coverage) from which we also performed haplotype phasing.

34 **BACKGROUND & SUMMARY**

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36 Almost two decades ago the extensive efforts of the Human Genome Project, backed
37 up by work from Celera, resulted in the release of a draft of the first complete sequence
38 of the human genome ^{1,2}. This catalyzed a new era of human whole-genome analysis
39 where the now-available human genome sequence has been studied intensely to
40 understand the functions of its parts and their interactions with each other and where a
41 concurrent genome technology revolution has produced ever more powerful platforms
42 to carry out such functional studies ³. Since then, increasingly large numbers of human
43 genomes have been sequenced, yielding insights into population-level genetic variation
44 ⁴⁻⁶, structural genome variation ⁷⁻⁹, and mutational mechanisms ¹⁰. Technological
45 advances have progressively improved the information content and reduced the noise
46 profile of sequencing data ¹¹. A large variety of methodologies for the routine analysis of
47 sequencing data is now available ¹². “Whole-genome sequencing” is now a standing
48 term that refers to the re-sequencing of a given sample of human genomic DNA using,
49 typically, the dominant Illumina DNA sequencing platforms which can quickly produce
50 several hundred million short sequencing reads at affordable costs. These reads are
51 then aligned to the human reference genome and analyzed using various approaches
52 ¹²⁻¹⁴, such as mismatch analysis, read-depth analysis, split-read analysis and discordant
53 read-pairs analysis, producing an extensive catalog of sequence variants that are
54 present in the DNA sample in question relative to the human reference sequence. The
55 promise of human genome research is nothing short of a complete transformation of
56 basic life science research, translational research, and eventually the way we diagnose,
57 treat, and find cures for human disease.

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59 It is clear, however, that current standard whole-genome sequence analysis leaves a
60 rather large room for improvement. The standard genome analysis practices of today
61 perform rather poorly in certain contexts, such as in repetitive regions (i.e. in around half
62 the human genome), in the detection and resolution of complex structural variation, or in
63 placing detected variants in their proper haplotypes. Although more advanced and novel
64 computational algorithms that address these limitations are continuously being
65 developed, one essential requirement during this process is that the detected variants
66 are to be experimentally validated in order to establish false-positive rates and to make
67 it possible to further tune and optimize the new algorithms. Experimental validation,
68 especially of complex variants, during the tool development and testing phases is a very
69 laborious and time-consuming process, but it can be circumvented by using a genome
70 for which sufficiently large numbers of variants are already known, i.e. prevalidated.
71 Several studies have been conducted with the goal of extensively characterizing the
72 variants in a small number of human genomes using multiple sequencing technologies
73 ^{15,16}. In some human genomes, variants have been carefully and extensively
74 documented, providing a benchmark for other studies ^{9,17-20}.

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76 The Venter (HuRef) Genome, however, is especially distinguished for quality among the
77 publicly-available human genome sequences as it is the only one for which its complete
78 diploid assembly was generated from high-quality Sanger reads ¹⁷ and for which
79 extensive catalogs of SNPs, indels, and structural variation are available ^{18,20}. To date,

80 no extensive Illumina sequencing datasets have been available for the Venter/HuRef
81 genome in contrast to other genomes that have been characterized for benchmarking
82 purposes^{15,16}.

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84 To unlock the potential of the Venter/HuRef genome as the outstanding benchmark
85 genome, we have conducted deep whole-genome sequencing (WGS) using a variety of
86 sequencing strategies for the Illumina platform (**Table 1**). Specifically, we produced
87 short-insert paired-end WGS datasets at a combined sequence coverage of 140x,
88 linked-read data at 42x de-duplicated sequencing coverage (128x physical coverage i.e.
89 the average number of times the genome is spanned by input DNA fragments rather
90 than the average number of times the genome is covered by sequencing reads as in
91 sequencing coverage), and three long-insert (2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb) paired-end (i.e.
92 mate-pair) WGS datasets with physical coverages of 49x, 122x, and 145x, respectively
93 (**Figure 1**). These datasets are of very high quality (**Figures 2-4**) and are
94 complemented by the existing Venter/HuRef assembly-quality Sanger reads¹⁷ and
95 long-read sequencing data, which was produced using the Pacific Biosciences platform
96²¹.

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98 Researchers developing novel computational tools for analyzing whole-genome
99 sequencing data can now test their algorithms by processing the appropriate
100 Venter/HuRef Illumina datasets described here and then turn to the already-available
101 catalogs of sequence variants, or to the original Sanger reads¹⁷, to confirm the
102 characterization of variants detected by their algorithms. Likewise, whenever a
103 laboratory implements a new computational pipeline for human genome analysis, it can
104 now use these Illumina Venter/HuRef datasets to confirm proper implementation and to
105 optimize proper settings for the pipeline.

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107 **METHODS**

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109 **Venter/HuRef DNA Sample**

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111 The Venter/HuRef DNA sample as obtained as a 50 µg aliquot of LCL-extracted DNA
112 (NS12911) from the Coriell Institute for Medical Research where the iPSC (GM25430)
113 of the same subject is also available (<https://catalog.coriell.org/1/HuRef>).

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115 **Illumina paired-end WGS**

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117 *Library Preparation*

118 The library preparation was previously described in detail in Mu *et al*²⁰. Briefly, 1 µg
119 of genomic DNA was fragmented using 2µL of NEBNext dsDNA fragmentase (New
120 England Biolabs, Ipswich, MA) in 1x fragmentation buffer and 1x BSA. Reaction was
121 kept on ice for 5 minutes before adding the fragmentase and was incubated at 37°C
122 for 20 minutes. The reaction was stopped by addition of 5 µL of 0.5 M EDTA. DNA
123 was purified from the reaction mixture using 0.9x by volume AMPure XP beads
124 (Beckman Coulter, Cat# A63880) and eluted in 50 µL of 10mM Tris-Acetate (pH 8.0)

125 buffer. Six independent fragmentation reaction replicates were performed, and the
126 sizes of the DNA were analyzed using Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer before library
127 preparation.

128 Library preparation was performed using the KAPA Library Preparation kit (KAPA
129 Biosystems, Wilmington, MA) where 200 ng of fragmented DNA was used as input.
130 Library was constructed according to manufacturer's protocol where the DNA was
131 end-repaired and A-tailed before adapter ligation with Illumina TruSeq Adapter (Index
132 1). DNA was then purified using 0.8x by volume AMPure XP beads and quantified
133 using the Qubit ds DNA High Sensitivity Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851).
134 For PCR amplification, 50 ng of DNA was amplified using the KAPA HiFi DNA
135 Polymerase with the following thermocycling conditions: 98°C/45s, 5 cycles of
136 (98°C/15s, 60°C/30s, 72°C/45s), 72°C/1min, and 4°C /hold. Primers
137 from the KAPA Library Preparation kit was used for PCR amplification. Afterwards,
138 DNA was purified from the PCR reaction using AMPure XP beads and eluted in 30 µL
139 of 10mM Tris-Acetate (pH 8.0) buffer. Six independent experimental replicates were
140 performed, and the purified PCR amplified DNA fragments from each replicate was
141 pooled for size selection and gel-purified from 2% agarose gel. Two size selections
142 were made at 200 bp and 350 bp.

143 *Sequencing*

144 Sequencing of the 200 bp and 350 bp insert-size libraries was described previously in
145 Mu et al ²⁰. The libraries were sequenced separately (2x100 bp) on an Illumina
146 HiSeq 2000 instrument in rapid run mode. For the 200 bp insert-size library, a total of
147 3,214,626,588 reads generated from 5 sequencing runs was pooled together to
148 obtain 100x genomic coverage. For the 350 bp insert-size library, a total of
149 1,280,576,580 reads generated from two sequencing runs was pooled together to
150 obtain 40x genomic coverage.

151 *Analysis*

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153 Reads were trimmed at the 3' end to a uniform length of 100 bp using FASTX toolkit
154 (http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit/; version 0.0.13). The trimmed reads were
155 aligned by BWA-MEM (Li and Durbin 2009; version 0.7.17-r1188) using the hg38
156 reference with ALT alleles removed
157 (ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38/
158 *seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/*), and the resulting alignment records were
159 sorted with Samtools (<http://www.htslib.org/>; version 1.7). Marking of PCR duplicates
160 and calculations of insert-size and coverage information was performed using Picard
161 (<http://picard.sourceforge.net>; version 2.17.10).

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163 **Illumina mate-pair WGS**

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165 *Library Preparation*

167 Mate Pair libraries at insert sizes 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb were generated from
168 Venter/HuRef DNA using the Nextera Mate Pair Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina,
169 Cat# FC-132-1001) following standard manufacturer's instructions with the exception
170 of the shearing step (see below). The Venter/HuRef DNA sample was first verified as
171 high molecular weight (>15 kb) by running 60 ng, quantified by using the Qubit
172 dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851), on 0.8% 1X TAE agarose
173 gel next to the 1 kb Plus DNA Ladder (ThermoFisher Cat# 10787018). Afterwards,
174 for each insert size, 4 μ g of the high molecular weight genomic DNA was fragmented
175 with biotinylated junction adapters and fragmented to about 7-8 μ kb on average in a
176 400 μ L fragmentation reaction containing 12 μ L of Tagmentase at 55 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 min.
177 The fragmented DNA fragments were purified by adding 2X the volume of DNA
178 Binding Buffer with Zymo Genomic DNA Clean & Concentrator Kit (Zymo Research,
179 Cat# D4010) and eluted in 30 μ L of Elution Buffer after two washes with the provided
180 Wash Buffer. To fill in the gaps in the DNA adjacent to the junction adapters as a by-
181 product of Tagmentation, single-strand displacement reaction was performed in a 200
182 μ L reaction by adding 132 μ L of water, 20 μ L of 10x Strand Displacement Buffer, 8 μ L
183 of dNTPs, and 10 μ L of Strand Displacement Polymerase to the 30 μ L elution and at
184 20 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 min. DNA purification was then performed in 30 μ L elution with 0.5x
185 volume of AMPure XP Beads (Beckman Coulter, Cat# A63880) and size-selected by
186 using BluePippin (Sage Science). The 0.75% DF 3-10kb Marker S1 – Improved
187 Recovery and the 0.75% DF 10-18kb Marker U1 protocols were used for size
188 selection on the BluePippin for insert sizes 5 kb and 12 kb respectively, and 0.75%
189 DF 1-6kb Marker S1 protocol was used for insert size 2 kb. The “Tight Selection”
190 option was used instead of “Range” for all size selections. The size selected DNA
191 was then circularized overnight (12-16 hours) at 30 $^{\circ}$ C with Circularization Ligase in
192 a 300 μ L reaction.

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194 After overnight circularization, the uncirculated linear DNA was digested by adding 9
195 μ L of Exonuclease and incubated at 30 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes and heat inactivated at
196 70 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes. Afterwards, 12 μ L of Stop Ligation Buffer was added.
197 Circularized DNA was then transferred to T6 (6 \times 32 \times mm) glass tube (Covaris, Part#
198 520031 and 520042) and sheared *twice* on the Covaris S2 machine (Intensity of 8,
199 Duty Cycle of 20%, Cycles Per Burst of 200, Time of 40 μ s, Temperature of 2–6 $^{\circ}$ C).
200 We find that shearing *twice* often creates a tighter final library size distribution which
201 leads to a higher fraction of pass-filter clusters during the Illumina sequencing step.
202 The mate pair fragments within the sheared DNA fragments contain the biotinylated
203 junction adapter and were selected by binding to Dynabeads M-280 Streptavidin
204 Magnetic Beads (Invitrogen, Part# 112-05D) by adding an equal volume of the Bead
205 Bind Buffer (incubated at 20 $^{\circ}$ C for 15 minutes on shaking heat block at highest rpm
206 setting). The non-biotinylated molecules in solution were washed away using the
207 Wash Buffer. All downstream reactions were carried out on streptavidin beads with
208 magnetic immobilization and washes with the Wash Buffer between successive
209 reactions (e.g. End Repair, A-Tailing, and Adapter Ligation. The sheared DNA was
210 first End-repaired followed by A-Tailing and TruSeq indexed adapter ligation.
211 The adapter-ligated DNA was resuspended in 20 μ L of Resuspension Buffer and then
212 PCR amplified in a 50 μ L reaction with 25 μ L of PCR 2X Master Mix and 5 μ L of

213 Primers both provided in the Nextera Mate Pair Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina,
214 Cat# FC-132-1001) to generate the final library. The thermocycling conditions are
215 98°C/1 min, 10 cycles of (98°C/10 s, 60°C/30 s, 72°C/30 s), 72°C/5 min,
216 and 4°C /hold. The 5 kb mate-pair library was PCR-amplified for 5 cycles instead of
217 10 cycles. For the 12 kb mate-pair library, 8 µg of input DNA was used instead of 4
218 ug. The amplified library (supernatant) was purified using a 0.66x volume of AMPure
219 XP Beads (0.67x vol) and eluted in 20 µL of Resuspension Buffer. The size
220 distribution of the library was determined by Agilent Technologies 2100 Bioanalyzer
221 (High Sensitivity Assay), and the indexed library concentration was measured by the
222 Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851).

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224 **Sequencing**
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226 The Mate-Pair libraries were sequenced on the Illumina NextSeq 500 using the
227 NextSeq 500/550 Mid Output v2 kit (300 cycles) (Illumina, Cat# FC-404-2003) to
228 generate 2×151 bp paired-end reads. The libraries were loaded onto the flowcell at a
229 final concentration of 1.8pM and 1% PhiX Control v3 (Illumina, Cat# FC-110-3001).
230 Additional rounds of sequencing also used a final library concentration of 1.8pM and
231 1% PhiX Control v3.

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233 **Analysis**
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235 Illumina Nextera Mate Pair junction adapter sequences were first trimmed using
236 NxTrim ²² (version 0.4.3) with the "--aggressive --preserve-mp" settings in order to
237 maximize the number of long-insert pairs. Nxtrim outputs four sets of reads,
238 designated "Mate Pair", "Paired-End", "Singleton", and "Unknown." "Mate Pair" reads
239 have junction adapter sequence trimmed off from the 3' end of Read 1 and/or Read 2;
240 "Paired-End" (short-insert) reads have junction adapter sequence trimmed from the 5'
241 end of Read 1 and/or Read 2; "Singleton" reads have junction adapter sequence
242 trimmed from the middle of either Read 1 or Read 2 rendering one of the reads
243 useless. "Unknown" reads have no junction adapter sequences detected. This is most
244 likely because the junction adapter sequence sits in the un-sequenced portion of the
245 template, thus whether reads are "Mate Pair" or "Paired-End" cannot be discerned.
246 Nonetheless, mate-pair reads are present in the "Unknown" fractions as well as
247 paired-end reads. The "Unknown" reads can be used for alignment and analysis if
248 more long-insert information is desired ²². Here, the reads designated as "Mate Pair"
249 and "Unknown" were combined, aligned with BWA-MEM ²³ against the hg38
250 reference without ALT alleles

251 (ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh
252 38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/), and sorted using samtools
253 (<http://www.htslib.org/>; version 1.7). Marking of PCR duplicates and calculations of
254 insert-size and coverage information was performed using Picard
255 (<http://picard.sourceforge.net>; version 2.17.10).

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257 **10X Genomics Chromium library for Illumina sequencing**
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259 *Input genomic DNA preparation*

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261 The Venter/HuRef DNA sample (obtained from the Coriell Institute for Medical
262 Research) was first verified as high molecular weight (>15 kb) by running 60 ng,
263 quantified by using the Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851),
264 on 0.8% 1X TAE agarose gel next to the 1 kb Plus DNA Ladder (ThermoFisher Cat#
265 10787018). Afterwards, 4 µg of the high molecular weight genomic DNA was loaded
266 on a BluePippin (Sage Science) instrument to select for DNA fragments 30 kb to 80
267 kb using the “0.75%DF Marker U1 high-pass 30- 40 kb vs3” protocol. The
268 concentration of the selected DNA fragments was then quantified by using the Qubit
269 dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851) and diluted to 1 ng/ µL. The
270 final dilution concentration of 1 ng/ µL was verified again by performing three
271 technical replicates of Qubit dsDNA HS Assay with 5 µL of the DNA dilution as input.

272 *Chromium whole-genome linked-read library preparation and sequencing*

273 The linked-read whole-genome library was prepared using the Chromium Genome kit
274 and reagent delivery system (10X Genomics, Pleasanton, CA). The linked-read
275 library was made following standard manufacturer’s protocol with 10 cycles of PCR
276 amplification. Briefly 1 ng of DNA (~300 genome equivalents) of size-selected high
277 molecular DNA was partitioned into ~1.5 million oil droplets in emulsion, tagged with a
278 unique 16 bp barcode within each droplet, and subjected isothermal amplification
279 (30 °C for 3 hours; 65 °C for 30 minutes) by random priming within each droplet.
280 Amplified (isothermal) DNA was then purified from the droplet emulsion following the
281 manufacturer’s protocol using SPRI beads. The purified DNA was then End-Repaired
282 and A-tailed followed by adapter ligation of adapter in the same reaction mixture.
283 DNA was purified from the was the reaction mixture using SPRI beads and eluted in
284 40 uL. Sample Index PCR amplification (primers and 2X master mix provided in the
285 Chromium Genome kit) was then performed on the eluted DNA in a toal volume of
286 100 uL with the following thermocycling conditions: 98 °C/45 s, 10 cycles of
287 (98 °C/20 s, 54 °C/30 s, 72 °C/20 s), 72 °C/1 min, and 4 °C /hold. Primer
288 index SI-GA-A6 was used. DNA (final linked-read library) was purified from the PCR
289 reaction with SPRI bead size selection following manufacturer’s protocol.

290
291 *Sequencing*

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293 The final purified library was quantified by qPCR (KAPA Library Quantification Kit for
294 Illumina platforms, Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, MA) using the following
295 thermocycling conditions: 95 °C/3 min, 30 cycles of (95 °C/5 s, 67 °C/30 s). The
296 library concentration was calculated in nanomolar (nM) concentration and then diluted
297 to 5 nM. Sequencing (2x151bp, 8 cycles of single indexing) on two lanes of Illumina
298 HiSeq X (flowcell ID: H3MHGALXX, lanes #4 and #5) was performed at Macrogen
299 (Rockville, MD) resulting in a total of 789,239,544 paired reads (**Table 1**).

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301 *Analysis*

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303 FASTQ files were generated from raw BCL files using “mkfastq” mode in the Long
304 Ranger software (version 2.1.3) from 10X Genomics (Pleasanton, CA). 10X Genomics

305 Chromium library index “SI-GA-A6” was specified in the required sample sheet file for
306 “mkfastq”. Before alignment, the hg38 genome files were downloaded from
307 ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38_no_alt_analysis_set.fna.gz and indexed using the “mkref” mode in Long Ranger. Sequencing
310 alignment and haplotype phasing were performed using the “wgs” mode in Long Ranger,
311 and the options “--sex=ma^{le}” and “--vcmode=freebayes” were specified. Only “PASS”
312 SNPs and Indels 50 bp or smaller were included in the final phased variant vcf.
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314 DATA RECORDS

315 The Venter/HuRef genome sequenced is publicly available through The Coriell Institute
316 for Medical Research (Camden, NJ, USA) both as genomic DNA (catalog ID: NS12911)
317 extracted from lymphoblastoid cell line (LCL) or as retroviral reprogrammed induced
318 pluripotent stem cell culture (catalog ID: GM25430). As described in the Methods,
319 Venter/HuRef LCL DNA (NCBI SRA biosample accession SAMN03491120) was used
320 for sequencing library preparation in this work.
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322 Illumina short-insert WGS

323 Approximately 100x sequencing coverage 2x100bp Illumina short-insert (200 bp) WGS
324 data generated from the Illumina HiSeq 2000 is available through NCBI SRA accession
325 SRR7097858 [Data Citation 1, **Table 5**]. Approximately 40x sequencing coverage
326 2x100bp Illumina short-insert (350 bp) WGS data generated from the Illumina HiSeq
327 2000 platform is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR7097859 [Data Citation 1,
328 **Table 5**].
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330 Illumina mate-pair WGS

331 Illumina mate-pair data sequenced (2x150 bp) on the Illumina NextSeq 500 are
332 available through NCBI SRA accessions SRR6951312, SRR6951313, and
333 SRR6951310 for insert sizes 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb respectively [Data Citation 1, **Table**
334 **5**].
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336 10X Genomics Chromium linked-read Library

337 10X Genomics Chromium linked-read data sequenced (2x150 bp) on two lanes of the
338 Illumina HiSeq X Ten is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR6951311 [Data
339 Citation 1, **Table 5**]. The phased variants of the Venter/HuRef genome obtained
340 through the analysis linked reads is available through dbSNP NCBI_ss# 2137543904 to
341 3651364986 (For phasing information, request for original submitted vcf file through
342 NCBI dbSNP.) [Data Citation 2: NCBI dbSNP NCBI_ss# 2137543904-3651364986].
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344 TECHNICAL VALIDATION

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350 **Illumina short-insert WGS**

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352 Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries were assessed using FastQC
353 (**Supplementary Information**). Insert-size, coverage, GC-bias, alignment, and
354 duplication metrics were analyzed using Picard tools
355 (<http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard/>). These statistics are summarized in Table 1,
356 Table 2 and Figure 2A.

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358 **Illumina mate-pair WGS**

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360 Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries was assessed using FastQC
361 (**Supplementary Information**). Insert-size, coverage, GC-bias, alignment, and
362 duplication metrics were analyzed using Picard tools
363 (<http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard/>). These statistics are summarized in **Table 1**,
364 **Table 2 and Figure 2c-j**. Read fractions that were designated by NxTrim ²² as “Mate
365 Pair”, “Paired-End”, “Singletons”, and “Unknown” are summarized in **Table 3**. The
366 “Mate Pair” fraction for all libraries fall within the expected range (~40-60%). Expected
367 for mate-pair libraries, the relatively high rates of PCR duplication (**Supplementary**
368 **Information**) result in significant decreases in sequence coverage (3x to 7x) (**Table 1**,
369 **Table 2, Figure 2**). However, the more useful metric for mate-pair sequencing is high
370 physical coverage ²⁴. Here, physical coverage (C_F) is calculated by the equation $C = C_R$
371 $\times C_F$ where C is the sequencing coverage and C_R is the mean fractional coverage of
372 input DNA fragments. The mean insert sizes for the mate pair libraries are 1.8 kb, 4.8
373 kb, and 12.2 kb (**Table 2, Figure 2**), which results in physical coverage values of 49x,
374 122x, and 145x respectively. For the 2 kb mate-pair library for an example, C is 7x, and
375 C_R is 0.14 or $(130 \text{ bp} + 131 \text{ bp})/1845 \text{ bp}$, thus C_F is 49x (**Table 2**). The average final
376 library fragment lengths were approximately 800 bp, 800 bp, and 500 bp for the 2 kb, 5
377 kb and 12 kb mate-pair libraries respectively. The differences in average library
378 fragment lengths most likely contributed to the more extreme tails of the normalized
379 coverage vs GC% for the 2 kb and 5 kb mate-pair libraries (Figure 2e, g) ²⁵.

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381 **10X Genomics Chromium Library**

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383 Sequencing quality of the linked-read library was assessed using FastQC
384 (**Supplementary Information**). Input molecule length, coverage, alignment, duplication,
385 droplet barcode, and phasing metrics were analyzed using the Long Ranger software
386 version 2.1.5 ²⁶ (**Table 1, Table 2, Table 4 and Figure 3**). Overall, 2.4 million and 1.5
387 million, 0.42 million and 0.29 million heterozygous and homozygous SNVs and indels
388 respectively were called (**Table 4**). Of which, 96.7% and 93.85% of heterozygous SNVs
389 and Indels respectively were successfully phased in the Venter/HuRef Genome in a
390 total of 8882 haplotype blocks (N50 ~ 0.9 Mbp, longest phase block ~ 6.5 Mbp) (**Table**
391 **4**). Phase blocks for each chromosome are shown in **Figure 4**. Similar to mate-pair
392 libraries, the physical coverage of the linked read library is calculated to be 128x from
393 the mean input DNA molecule length of 32kb.

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395 **USAGE NOTES**

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397 The Venter/HuRef genome sequenced in this work is publicly available as both cell line
398 and DNA from Coriell Institute for Medical Research. The mate-pair and linked-read
399 sequencing data used the same DNA sample/extraction as input. It is possible that
400 small differences may exist when compared to the short-insert datasets since the
401 input DNA came from different cell passages and extractions. Researchers are
402 especially encouraged to use the sequencing data in this work in combination with
403 diploid Sanger sequencing data available for the Venter/HuRef genome published in
404 Levy et al.¹⁷.

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487 **FIGURE & TABLE LEGENDS**
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489 **Figure 1. Schematic diagram of the study.** (a) Venter/HuRef genomic DNA was used
490 to generate short-insert (200 bp and 350 bp), mate-pair (2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb), and
491 linked-read libraries. (b) Detailed overview of data generation including bio-sample
492 used, types of Illumina WGS libraries constructed, sequencing instrument platforms,
493 types of sequencing runs, and subsequent analysis of data.

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495 **Figure 2. Normalized coverage, GC (%) content windows, base quality at GC (%),**
496 **and corresponding insert-size histograms for all WGS libraries.** (a, b) 200 bp
497 short-insert, (c, d) 350 bp short-insert, (e, f) 2kb-mate-pair, (g, h) 5kb-mate-pair, (i, j)
498 12kb-mate-pair.

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500 **Figure 3. Coverage (deduplicated) histograms.** (a, b) short-insert, (c, d, e) 2 kb, 5
501 kb, and 12 kb mate-pair, and (f) linked-read libraries. Only reads with mapping score >
502 were used.

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504 **Figure 4. Violin plot of sizes of haplotype blocks constructed using linked-read**
505 **sequencing (128x physical coverage) for HuRef/Venter Genome for all**
506 **chromosomes.**

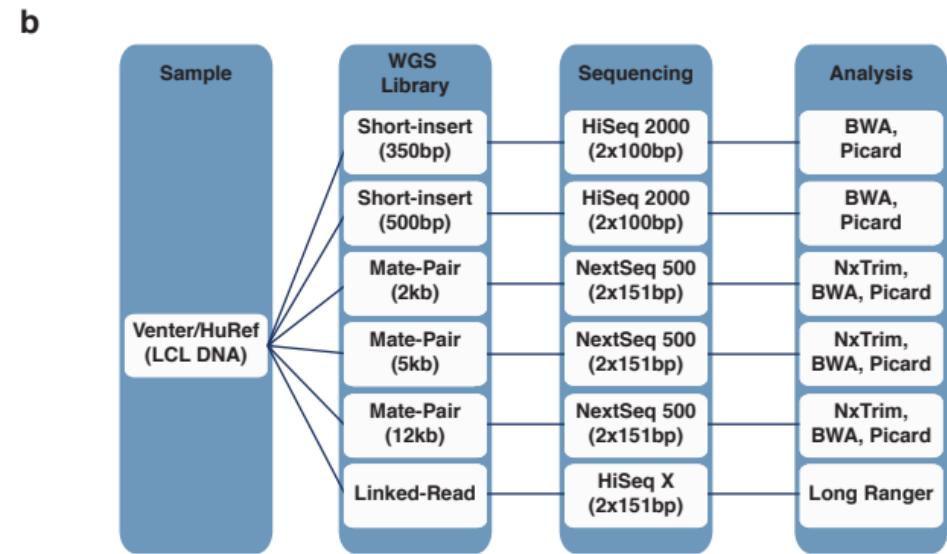
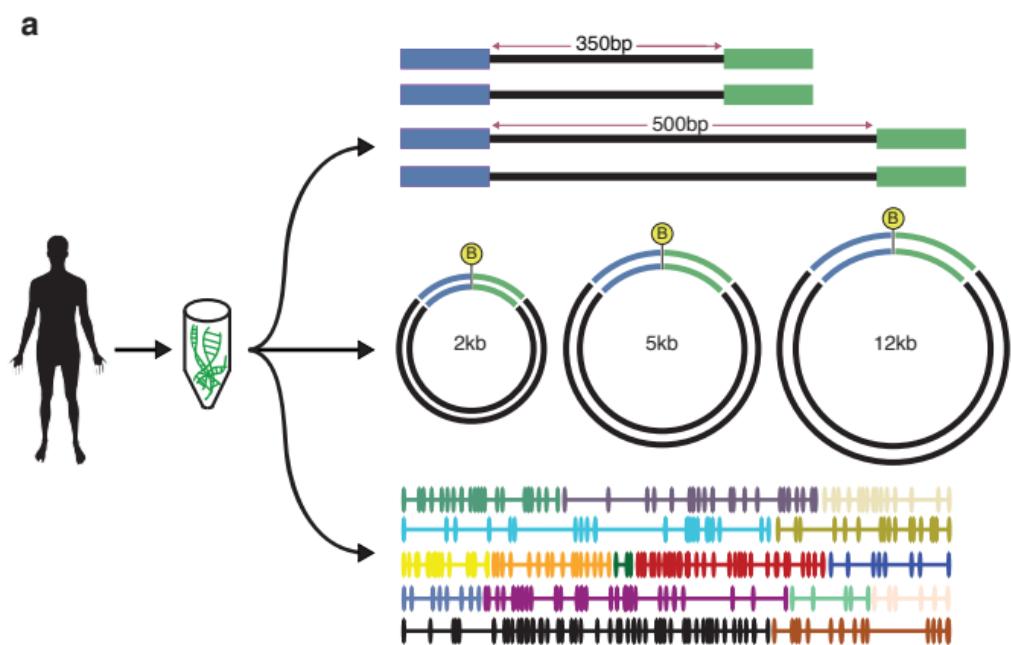
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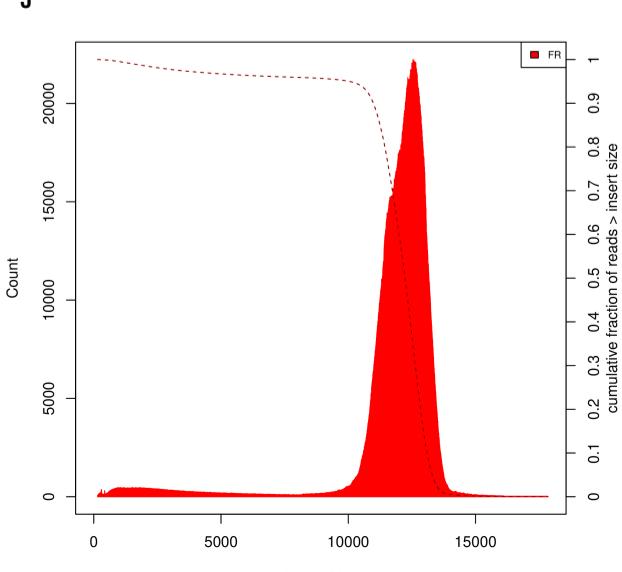
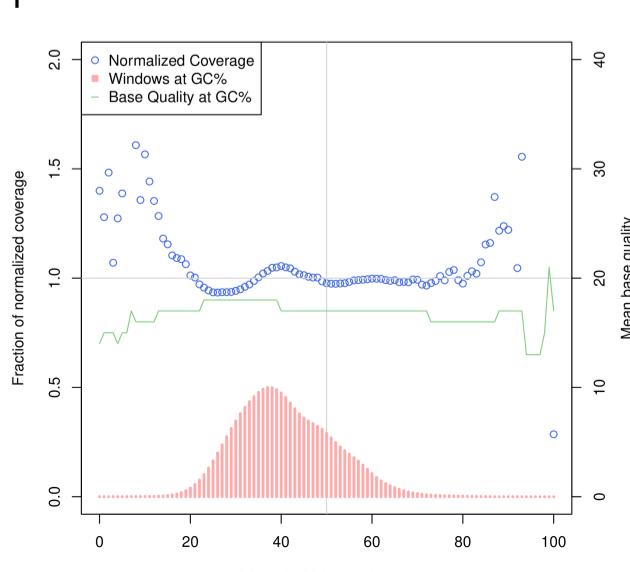
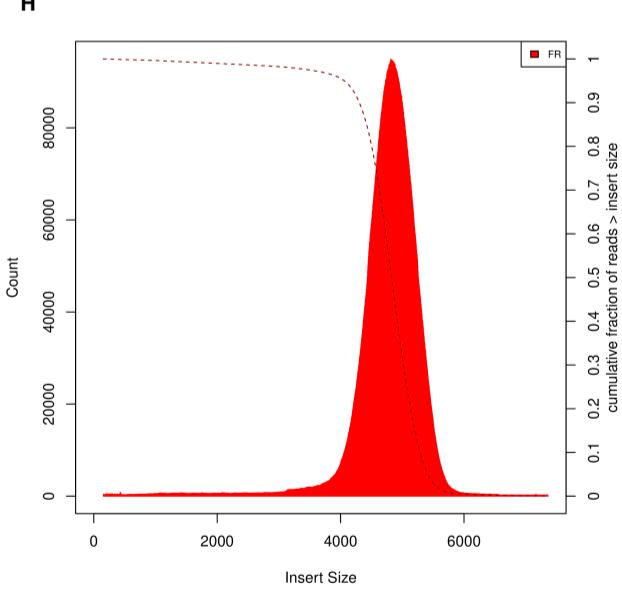
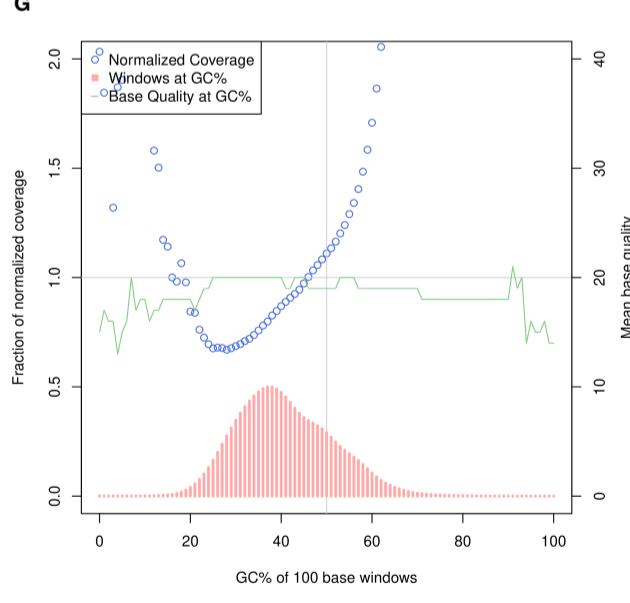
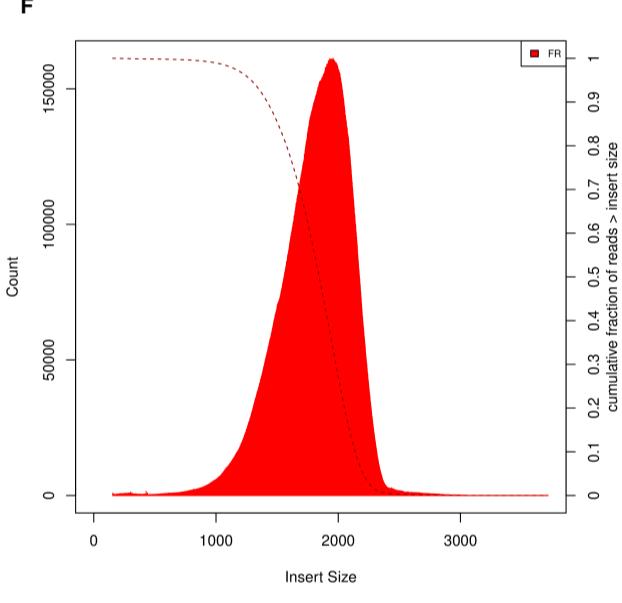
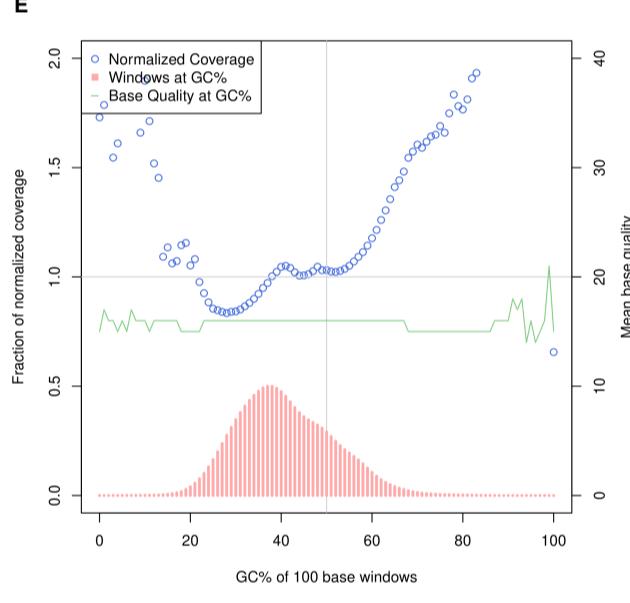
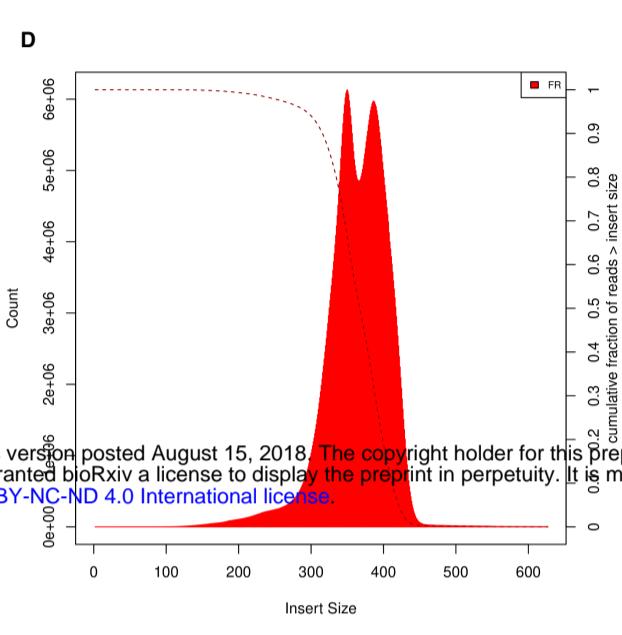
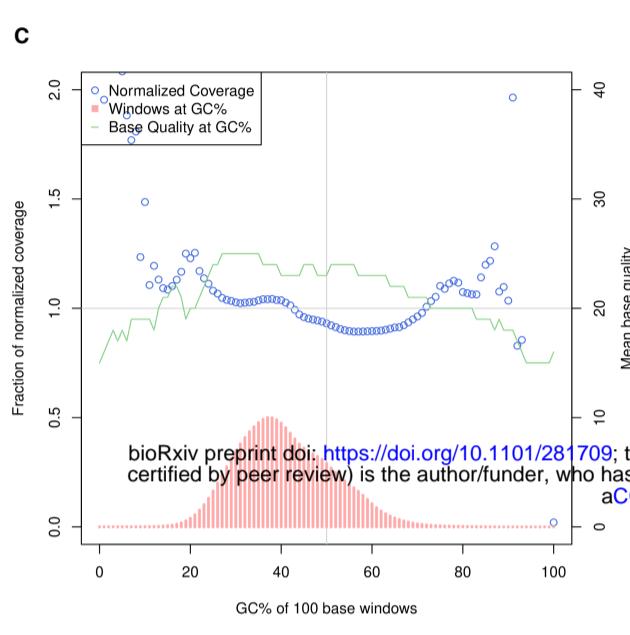
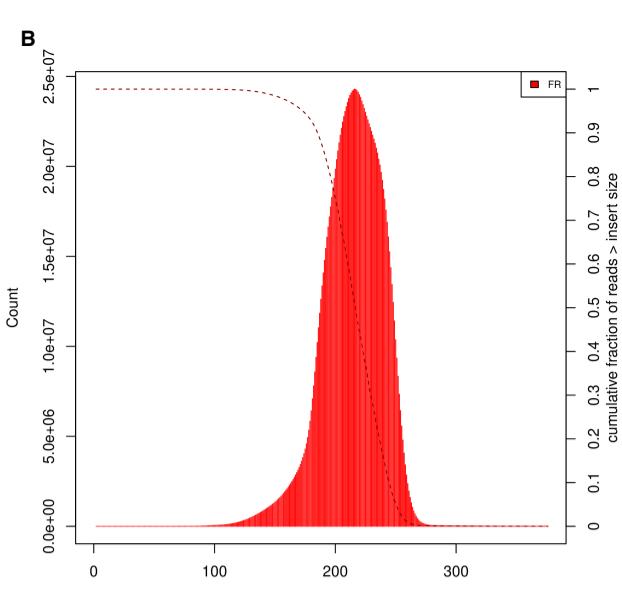
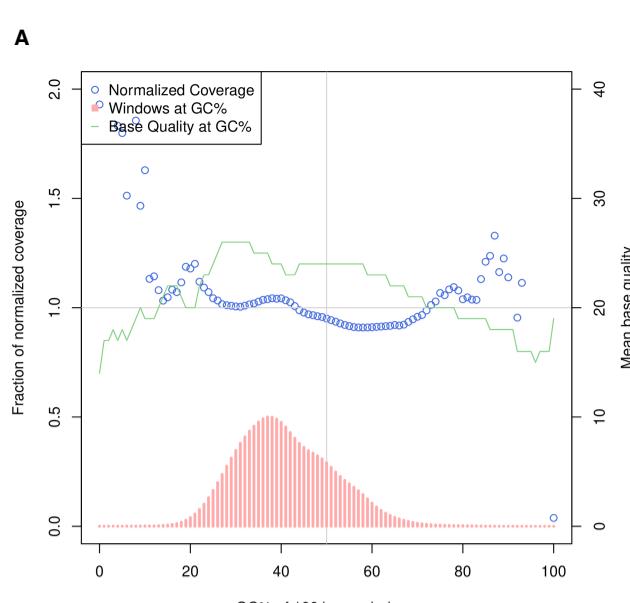
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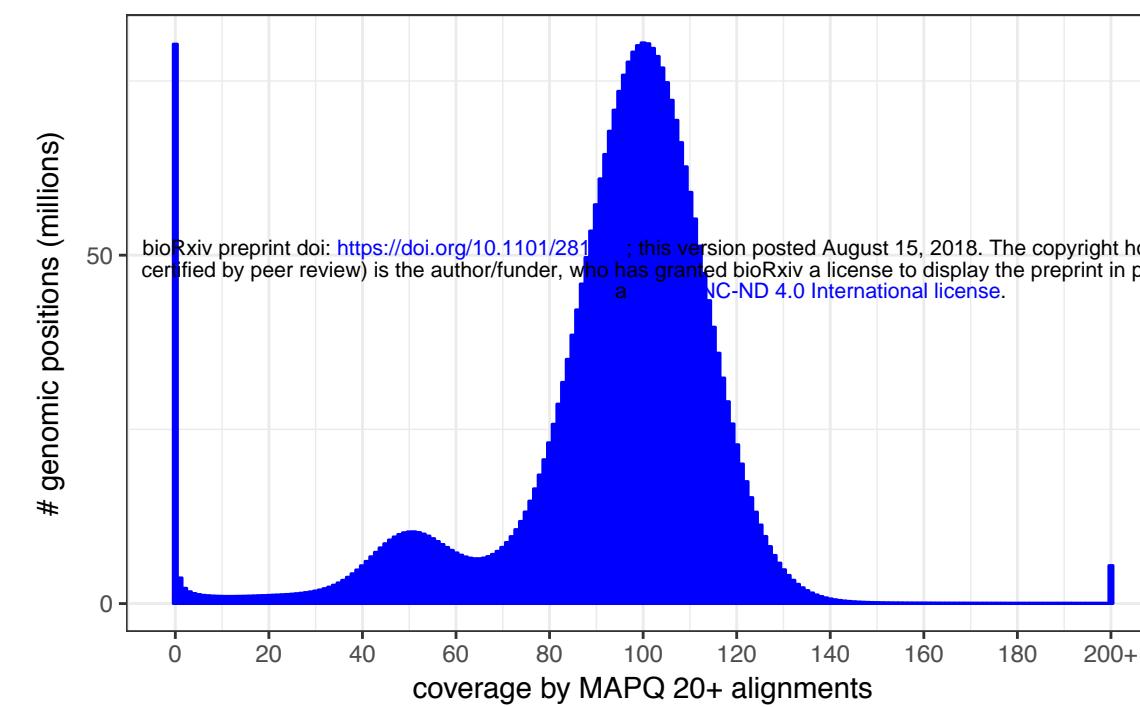
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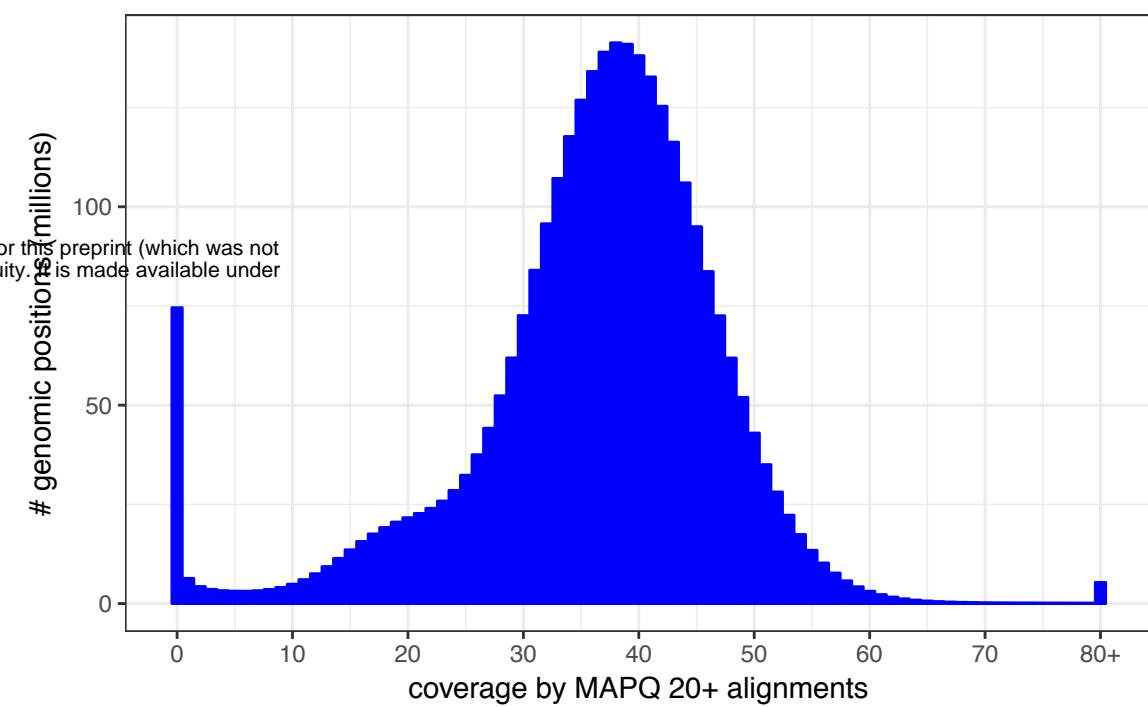


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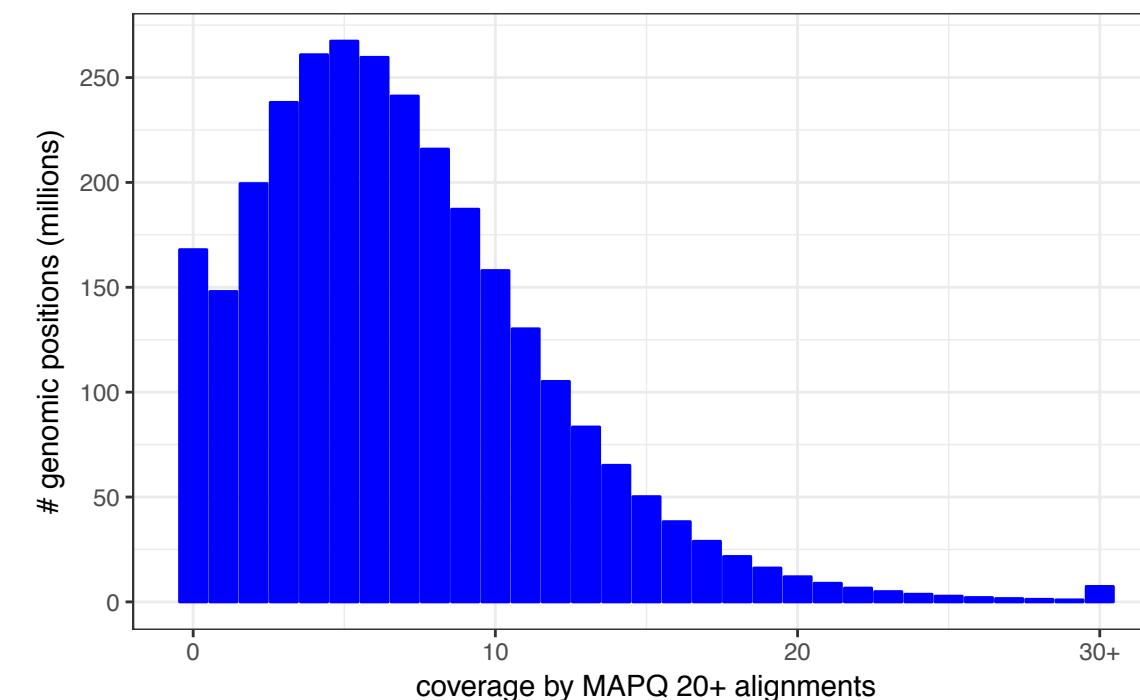
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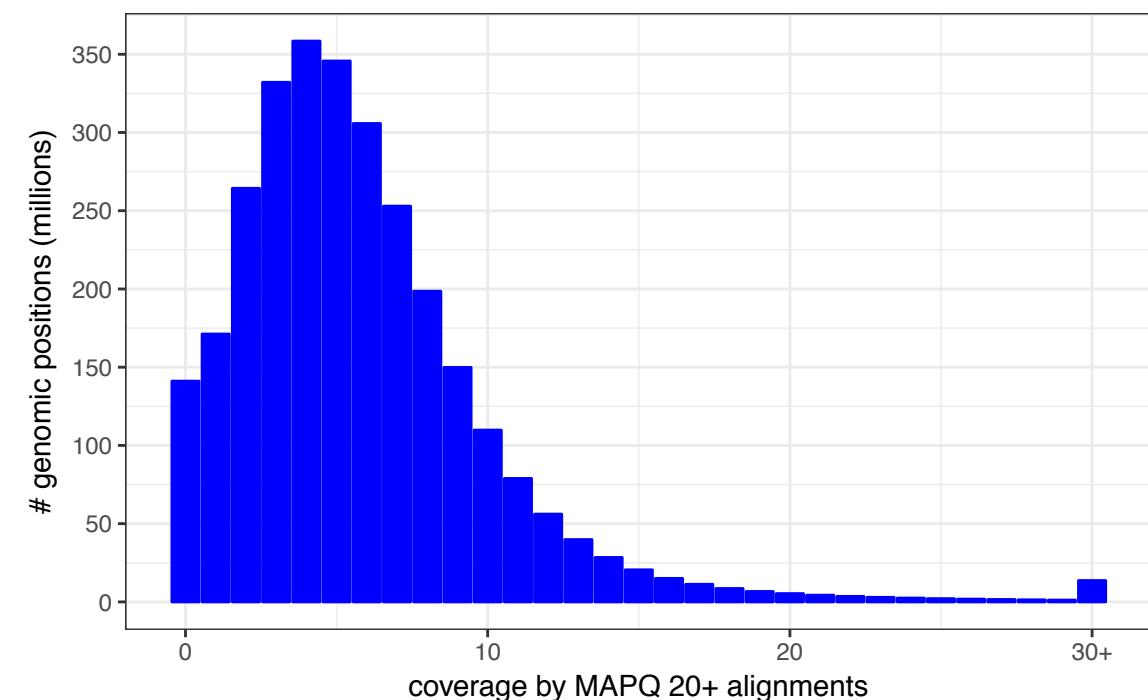
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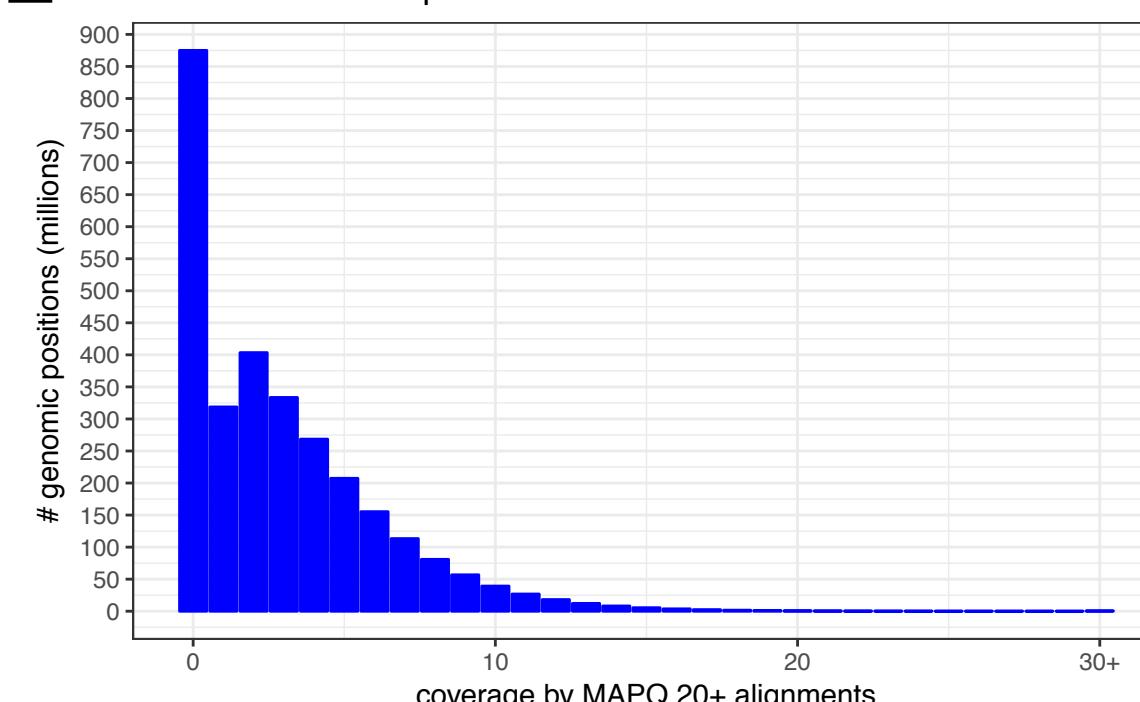
Venter 2 kb mate pair

**D**

Venter 5 kb mate pair

**E**

Venter 12 kb mate pair

**F**

Venter linked-read WGS

