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

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ABSTRACT

We produced an extensive collection of deep re-sequencing datasets for the Venter/HuRef genome using the Illumina massively-parallel DNA sequencing platform. The original Venter genome sequence is a very-high quality phased assembly based on Sanger sequencing. Therefore, researchers developing novel computational tools for the analysis of human genome sequence variation for the dominant Illumina sequencing technology can test and hone their algorithms by making variant calls from these Venter/HuRef datasets and then immediately confirm the detected variants in the Sanger assembly, freeing them of the need for further experimental validation. This process also applies to implementing and benchmarking existing genome analysis pipelines. We prepared and sequenced 200 bp and 350 bp short-insert whole-genome sequencing libraries (sequenced to 100x and 40x genomic coverages respectively) as well as 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb mate-pair libraries (43x, 97x, and 122x physical coverages respectively). Lastly, we produced a linked-read library (133x physical coverage) from which we also performed haplotype phasing.

BACKGROUND & SUMMARY

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

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

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

78 no extensive Illumina sequencing datasets have been available for the Venter/HuRef
79 genome in contrast to other genomes that have been characterized for benchmarking
80 purposes [15,16].
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To unlock the potential of the Venter/HuRef genome as the outstanding benchmark
genome, we have conducted deep whole-genome sequencing (WGS) using a variety of
sequencing strategies for the Illumina platform (**Table 1**). Specifically, we produced
short-insert paired-end WGS datasets at a combined sequence coverage of 140x,
linked-read data at 42x de-duplicated sequencing coverage (133x physical coverage),
and three long-insert (2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb) paired-end (i.e. mate-pair) WGS datasets
with physical coverages of 43x, 97x, and 122x, respectively (**Figure 1**]. These datasets
are of very high quality (**Figures 2-4**] and are complemented by the existing
Venter/HuRef assembly-quality Sanger reads [17] and long-read sequencing data, which
was produced using the Pacific Biosciences platform [21].
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Researchers developing novel computational tools for analyzing whole-genome
sequencing data can now test their algorithms by processing the appropriate
Venter/HuRef Illumina datasets described here and then turn to the already-available
catalogs of sequence variants, or to the original Sanger reads [17], to confirm the
characterization of variants detected by their algorithms . Likewise, whenever a
laboratory implements a new computational pipeline for human genome analysis, it can
now use these Illumina Venter/HuRef datasets to confirm proper implementation and to
optimize proper settings for the pipeline.
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102 **METHODS**
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104 **Venter/HuRef DNA Sample**
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106 The Venter/HuRef DNA sample as obtained as a 50 µg aliquot of LCL-extracted DNA
107 (NS12911) from the Coriell Institute for Medical Research where the iPSC (GM25430)
108 of the same subject is also available (https://catalog.coriell.org/1/HuRef).
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110 **Illumina paired-end WGS**
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112 *Library Preparation*
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The library preparation was previously described in detail in Mu *et al* [20]. Briefly, 1 µg
of genomic DNA was fragmented using 2µL of NEBNext dsDNA fragmentase (New
England Biolabs, Ipswich, MA) in 1x fragmentation buffer and 1x BSA. Reaction was
kept on ice for 5 minutes before adding the fragmentase and was incubated at 37□°C
for 20 minutes. The reaction was stopped by addition of 5 µL of 0.5 M EDTA. DNA
was purified from the reaction mixture using 0.9x by volume AMPure XP beads
(Beckman Coulter, Cat# A63880) and eluted in 50 µL of 10mM Tris-Acetate (pH 8.0)
buffer. Six independent fragmentation reaction replicates were performed, and the
sizes of the DNA were analyzed using Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer before library
preparation.

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

Sequencing

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

Analysis
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Reads were trimmed at the 3' end to a uniform length of 100 bp using FASTX toolkit
(http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit/; version 0.0.13). The trimmed reads were
aligned by BWA-MEM (Li and Durbin 2009; version 0.7.17-r1188) using the hg38
reference with ALT alleles removed
(ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38/
seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/), and the resulting alignment records were
sorted with Samtools (http://www.htslib.org/; version 1.7). Marking of PCR duplicates
and calculations of insert-size and coverage information was performed using Picard
(http://picard.sourceforge.net; version 2.17.10).
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158 **Illumina mate-pair WGS**
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160 *Library Preparation*
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Mate Pair libraries at insert sizes 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb were generated from
Venter/HuRef DNA using the Nextera Mate Pair Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina,
Cat# FC-132–1001) following standard manufacturer's instructions with the exception
of the shearing step (see below). The Venter/HuRef DNA sample was first verified as

high molecular weight (>15 kb) by running 60 ng, quantified by using the Qubit
dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851), on 0.8% 1X TAE agarose
gel next to the 1 kb Plus DNA Ladder (ThermoFisher Cat# 10787018). Afterwards,
for each insert size, 4 µg of the high molecular weight genomic DNA was tagmented
with biotinylated junction adapters and fragmented to about 7-8 kb on average in a
400 µL tagmentation reaction containing 12 µL of Tagmentase at 55 °C for 30 min.
The tagmented DNA fragments were purified by adding 2X the volume of DNA
Binding Buffer with Zymo Genomic DNA Clean & Concentrator Kit (Zymo Research,
Cat# D4010) and eluted in 30 uL of Elution Buffer after two washes with the provided
Wash Buffer. To fill in the gaps in the DNA adjacent to the junction adapters as a by-
product of Tagmentation, single-strand displacement reaction was performed in a 200
µL reaction by adding 132 µL of water, 20 µL of 10x Strand Displacement Buffer, 8 µL
of dNTPs, and 10 µL of Strand Displacement Polymerase to the 30 µL elution and at
20 °C for 30 min. DNA purification was then performed in 30 µL elution with 0.5x
volume of AMPure XP Beads (Beckman Coulter, Cat# A63880) and size-selected by
using BluePippin (Sage Science). The 0.75% DF 3-10kb Marker S1 – Improved
Recovery and the 0.75% DF 10-18kb Marker U1 protocols were used for size
selection on the BluePippin for insert sizes 5 kb and 12 kb respectively, and 0.75%
DF 1-6kb Marker S1 protocol was used for insert size 2 kb. The "Tight Selection"
option was used instead of "Range" for all size selections. The size selected DNA
was then circularized overnight (12-16 hours) at 30 °C with Circularization Ligase in
a 300 µL reaction.
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After overnight circularization, the uncirculated linear DNA was digested by adding 9
µL of Exonuclease and incubated at 30 °C for 30 minutes and heat inactivated at
70 °C for 30 minutes. Afterwards, 12 µL of Stop Ligation Buffer was added.
Circularized DNA was then transferred to T6 (6×32 mm) glass tube (Covaris, Part#
520031 and 520042) and sheared *twice* on the Covaris S2 machine (Intensity of 8,
Duty Cycle of 20%, Cycles Per Burst of 200, Time of 40 s, Temperature of 2–6 °C).
We find that shearing *twice* creates a tighter final library size distribution which leads
to a higher fraction of pass-filter clusters during the Illumina sequencing step.
The mate pair fragments within the sheared DNA fragments contain the biotinylated
junction adapter and were selected by binding to Dynabeads M-280 Streptavidin
Magnetic Beads (Invitrogen, Part# 112-05D) by adding an equal volume of the Bead
Bind Buffer (incubated at 20 °C for 15 minutes on shaking heat block at highest rpm
setting). The non-biotinylated molecules in solution were washed away using the
Wash Buffer. All downstream reactions were carried out on streptavidin beads with
magnetic immobilization and washes with the Wash Buffer between successive
reactions (e.g. End Repair, A-Tailing, and Adapter Ligation. The sheared DNA was
first End-repaired followed by A-Tailing and TruSeq indexed adapter ligation.
The adapter-ligated DNA was resuspended in 20 µL of Resuspension Buffer and then
PCR amplified in a 50 µL reaction with 25 µL of PCR 2X Master Mix and 5 µL of
Primers both provided in the Nextera Mate Pair Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina,
Cat# FC-132–1001) to generate the final library. The thermocycling conditions are
98 °C/1 min, 15 cycles of (98 °C/10 s, 60 °C/30 s, 72 °C/30 s), 72 °C/5 min,
and 4 °C /hold. The amplified library (supernatant) was purified using a 0.66x

volume of AMPure XP Beads (0.67x vol) and eluted in 20 µL of Resuspension Buffer.
The size distribution of the library was determined by Agilent Technologies 2100
Bioanalyzer (High Sensitivity Assay), and the indexed library concentration was
measured by the Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851).
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217 *Sequencing*
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The Mate-Pair libraries were sequenced on the Illumina NextSeq 500 using the
NextSeq 500/550 Mid Output v2 kit (300 cycles) (Illumina, Cat# FC-404-2003) to
generate 2×151□bp paired-end reads. The libraries were loaded onto the flowcell at a
final concentration of 1.8pM and 1% PhiX Control v3 (Illumina, Cat# FC-110-3001).
Additional rounds of sequencing also used a final library concentration of 1.8pM and
1% PhiX Control v3.
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226 *Analysis*
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Illumina Nextera Mate Pair junction adapter sequences were first trimmed using
NxTrim (O'Connell et al. 2015; version 0.4.3) with the "--aggressive --preserve-mp"
settings in order to maximize the number of long-insert pairs. Nxtrim outputs four sets
of reads, designated "Mate Pair", "Paired-End", "Singleton", and "Unknown." "Mate
Pair" reads have junction adapter sequence trimmed off from the 3' end of Read 1
and/or Read 2; "Paired-End" (short-insert) reads have junction adapter sequence
trimmed from the 5' end of Read 1 and/or Read 2; "Singleton" reads have junction
adapter sequence trimmed from the middle of either Read 1 or Read 2 rendering one
of the reads useless. "Unknown" reads have no junction adapter sequences detected.
This is most likely because the junction adapter sequence sits in the un-sequenced
portion of the template, thus whether reads are "Mate Pair" or "Paired-End" cannot be
discerned. Nonetheless, mate-pair reads are present in the "Unknown" fractions as
well as paired-end reads. The "Unknown" reads can be used for alignment and
analysis if more long-insert information is desired??? (O'Connell et al. 2015). Here,
the reads designated as "Mate Pair" and "Unknown" were combined, aligned with
BWA-MEM (Li and Durbin 2009) against the hg38 reference without ALT alleles
(ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh
38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/), and sorted using samtools
(http://www.htslib.org/; version 1.7). Marking of PCR duplicates and calculations of
insert-size and coverage information was performed using Picard
(http://picard.sourceforge.net; version 2.17.10).
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250 **10X Genomics Chromium library for Illumina sequencing**
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252 *Input genomic DNA preparation*
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The Venter/HuRef DNA sample (obtained from the Coriell Institute for Medical
Research) was first verified as high molecular weight (>15 kb) by running 60 ng,
quantified by using the Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851),
on 0.8% 1X TAE agarose gel next to the 1 kb Plus DNA Ladder (ThermoFisher Cat#

10787018). Afterwards, 4□µg of the high molecular weight genomic DNA was loaded
on a BluePippin (Sage Science) instrument to select for DNA fragments 30 kb to 80
kb using the "0.75%DF Marker U1 high-pass 30- 40 kb vs3" protocol. The
concentration of the selected DNA fragments was then quantified by using the Qubit
dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851) and diluted to 1 ng/ µL. The
final dilution concentration of 1 ng/ µL was verified again by performing three
technical replicates of Qubit dsDNA HS Assay with 5 µL of the DNA dilution as input.
Chromium whole-genome linked-read library preparation and sequencing
The linked-read whole-genome library was prepared using the Chromium Genome kit
and reagent delivery system (10X Genomics, Pleasanton, CA). The linked-read
library was made following standard manufacturer's protocol with 10 cycles of PCR
amplification. Briefly 1□ng of DNA (~300 genome equivalents) of size-selected high
molecular DNA was partitioned into ~1.5 million oil droplets in emulsion, tagged with a
unique 16 bp barcode within each droplet, and subjected isothermal amplification
(30□°C for 3 hours; 65□°C for 30□minutes) by random priming within each droplet.
Amplified (isothermal) DNA was then purified from the droplet emulsion following the
manufacturer's protocol using SPRI beads. The purified DNA was then End-Repaired
and A-tailed followed by adapter ligation of adapter in the same reaction mixture.
DNA was purified from the was the reaction mixture using SPRI beads and eluted in
40 uL. Sample Index PCR amplification (primers and 2x master mix provided in the
Chromium Genome kit) was then performed on the eluted DNA in a toal volume of
100 uL with the following thermocycling conditions: 98□°C/45□s, 10 cycles of
(98□°C/20□s, 54□°C/30□s, 72□°C/20□s), 72□°C/1□min, and 4□°C /hold. Primer
index SI-GA-A6 was used. DNA (final linked-read library) was purified from the PCR
reaction with SPRI bead size selection following manufacturer's protocol.
The final purified library was quantified by qPCR (KAPA Library Quantification Kit for
Illumina platforms, Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, MA) using the following
thermocycling conditions: 95□°C/3 min, 30 cycles of (95□°C/5□s, 67□°C/30□s). The
library concentration was calculated in nanomolar (nM) concentration and then diluted
to 5 nM. Sequencing (2x151bp, 8 cycles of single indexing) on two lanes of Illumina
HiSeq X was performed at Macrogen (Rockville, MD).
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290   *Sequencing*
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The final purified library was quantified by qPCR (KAPA Library Quantification Kit for
Illumina platforms, Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, MA) using the following
thermocycling conditions: 95□°C/3 min, 30 cycles of (95□°C/5□s, 67□°C/30□s). The
library concentration was calculated in nanomolar (nM) concentration and then diluted
to 5 nM. Sequencing (2x151bp, 8 cycles of single indexing) on two lanes of Illumina
HiSeq X (flowcell ID: H3MHGALXX, lanes #4 and #5) was performed at Macrogen
(Rockville, MD) resulting in a total of 789,239,544 paired reads (**Table 1**).
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302   FASTQ files were generated raw BCL files using "*mkfastq*" mode in the Long Ranger
303   software (version 2.1.3) from 10X Genomics (Pleasanton, CA). 10X Genomics

Chromium library index "SI-GA-A6" was specified in the required sample sheet file for "*mkfastq*". Before alignment, the hg38 genome files were downloaded from 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 alignment and haplotype phasing were performed using the "*wgs*" mode in Long Ranger, and the options *"--sex=male*" and *"--vcmode=freebayes*" were specified. Only "PASS" SNPs and Indels 50 bp or smaller were included in the final phased variant vcf.

DATA RECORDS

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

Illumina short-insert WGS

Approximately 100x sequencing coverage 2x100bp Illumina short-insert (200 bp) WGS data generated from the Illumina HiSeq 2000 is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR7097858 [Data Citation 1: NCBI SRA SRR7097858]. Approximately 40x sequencing coverage 2x100bp Illumina short-insert (350 bp) WGS data generated from the Illumina HiSeq 2000 platform is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR7097859 [Data Citation 2: NCBI SRA SRR7097859].

Illumina mate-pair WGS

Illumina mate-pair data sequenced (2x150 bp) on the Illumina NextSeq 500 are available through NCBI SRA accessions SRR6951312 [Data Citation 3: NCBI SRA SRR6951312], SRR6951313 [Data Citation 4: NCBI SRA SRR6951313], and SRR6951310 [Data Citation 5: NCBI SRA SRR6951310] for insert sizes 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb respectively.

10X Genomics Chromium linked-read Library

10X Genomics Chromium linked-read data sequenced (2x150 bp) on two lanes of the Illumina HiSeq X Ten is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR6951311 [Data Citation 6: NCBI SRA SRR6951311]. The phased variants of the Venter/HuRef genome obtained through the analysis linked reads is available through dbSNP NCBI_ss# 2137543904 to 3651364986 (For phasing information, request for original submitted vcf file through NCBI dbSNP.) [Data Citation 7: NCBI dbSNP NCBI_ss# 2137543904-3651364986].

TECHNICAL VALIDATION

Illumina short-insert WGS

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

Illumina mate-pair WGS

Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries was assessed using FastQC
(Supplementary Information). Insert-size, coverage, GC-bias, alignment, and
duplication metrics were analyzed using Picard tools
(http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard/). These statistics are summarized in **Table 1,
Table 2 and Figure 2C-J**. Read fractions that were designated by NxTrim [23] as "Mate
Pair", "Paired-End", "Singletons", and "Unknown" are summarized in **Table 3**. The
"Mate Pair" fraction for all libraries fall within the expected range (~40-60%). The
relatively high rates of PCR duplication (expected for mate-pair libraries) result in
significant decreases in sequence coverage (3x to 7x) (**Table 1, Table 2, Figure 2,
Supplementary Information**). However, the more useful metric for mate-pair
sequencing is high physical coverage [15]. The mean insert sizes for the mate pair
libraries are 1.8 kb, 4.8 kb, and 12.2 kb (**Table 2, Figure 2**), which results in physical
genomic coverage values of 62x, 136x, and 162x respectively.

10X Genomics Chromium Library

Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries were assessed using FastQC
(Supplementary Information). Input molecule length, coverage, alignment, duplication,
droplet barcode, and phasing metrics were analyzed using Long Ranger software
version 2.1.5 from 10X Genomics (Pleasanton, CA, USA). These statistics are
summarized in **Table 1, Table 2, Table 4 and Figure 3**. Overall, 2.4 million and 1.5
million, 0.42 million and 0.29 million heterozygous and homozygous SNVs and indels
respectively were called (**Table 4**). Of which, 96.7% and 93.85% of heterozygous SNVs
and Indels respectively were successfully phased in the Venter/HuRef Genome in a
total of 8882 haplotype blocks (N50 ~ 0.9 Mbp, longest phase block ~ 6.5 Mbp) (**Table
4**). Phase blocks for each chromosome are shown in **Figure 3**. Similar to mate-pair
libraries, the physical coverage of the linked read library is calculated to be 133x from
the mean input DNA molecule length of 32kb.

USAGE NOTES (optional)

The Venter/HuRef genome sequenced in this work is publicly available as both cell line
and DNA from Coriell Institute for Medical Research. The mate-pair and linked-read

sequencing data used the same DNA sample/extraction as input. It is possible that small differences may exist when compared to the short-insert datasets since the input DNA came from different cell passages and extractions. Researchers are especially encouraged to use the sequencing data in this work in combination with diploid Sanger sequencing data available for the Venter/HuRef genome published in Levy et al.

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FIGURE & TABLE LEGENDS

Figure 1. **(A)** Schematic diagram of the study. Venter/HuRef genomic DNA was used to generate short-insert (200 bp and 350 bp), mate-pair (2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb), and linked-read libraries. (**B**) Detailed overview of data generation including bio-sample used, types of Illumina WGS libraries constructed, sequencing instrument platforms, types of sequencing runs, and subsequent analysis of data.

Figure 2. Normalized coverage, GC (%) content windows, base quality at GC (%), and corresponding insert-size histograms for all WGS libraries: 200 bp short-insert (**A,B**), 350 bp short-insert (**C,D**), 2kb-mate-pair (**E,F**), 5kb-mate-pair (**G,H**), 12kb-mate-pair (**I,J**).

Figure 3. Coverage (deduplicated) histograms of (**A,B**) short-insert, (**C,D,E**) 2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb mate-pair, and (**F**) linked-read libraries. Only reads with mapping score > 20 were used.

Figure 4. Violin plot of sizes of haplotype blocks constructed using linked-read sequencing (133x physical coverage) for HuRef/Venter Genome for all chromosomes.

Table 1. Summary of library construction and sequencing for short-insert, mate-pair, and linked-read HuRef/Venter WGS libraries.

Table 2. Summary of post sequencing QC, alignment, duplication, coverage and insert-size analysis for all libraries.

Table 3. Statistics for trimming of Nexera junction adapter sequence using NxTrim [23] for all mate-pair libraries.

Table 4. Summary of metrics for linked-read sequencing and phasing of the HuRef/Venter genome.

a

350bp

500bp

2kb 5kb 12kb

b

Sample	WGS Library	Sequencing	Analysis
Venter/HuRef (LCL DNA)	Short-insert (350bp)	HiSeq 2000 (2x100bp)	BWA, Picard
	Short-insert (500bp)	HiSeq 2000 (2x100bp)	BWA, Picard
	Mate-Pair (2kb)	NextSeq 500 (2x151bp)	NxTrim, BWA, Picard
	Mate-Pair (5kb)	NextSeq 500 (2x151bp)	NxTrim, BWA, Picard
	Mate-Pair (12kb)	NextSeq 500 (2x151bp)	NxTrim, BWA, Picard
	Linked-Read	HiSeq X (2x151bp)	Long Ranger