

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

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16 **ABSTRACT**

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

32 BACKGROUND & SUMMARY

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34 Almost two decades ago the extensive efforts of the Human Genome Project, backed
35 up by work from Celera, resulted in the release of a draft of the first complete sequence
36 of the human genome^{1,2}. This catalyzed a new era of human whole-genome analysis
37 where the now-available human genome sequence has been studied intensely to
38 understand the functions of its parts and their interactions with each other and where a
39 concurrent genome technology revolution has produced ever more powerful platforms
40 to carry out such functional studies³. Since then, increasingly large numbers of human
41 genomes have been sequenced, yielding insights into population-level genetic variation
42⁴⁻⁶, structural genome variation⁷⁻⁹, and mutational mechanisms¹⁰. Technological
43 advances have progressively improved the information content and reduced the noise
44 profile of sequencing data¹¹. A large variety of methodologies for the routine analysis of
45 sequencing data is now available¹². “Whole-genome sequencing” is now a standing
46 term that refers to the re-sequencing of a given sample of human genomic DNA using,
47 typically, the dominant Illumina DNA sequencing platforms which can quickly produce
48 several hundred million short sequencing reads at affordable costs. These reads are
49 then aligned to the human reference genome and analyzed using various approaches
50¹²⁻¹⁴, such as mismatch analysis, read-depth analysis, split-read analysis and discordant
51 read-pairs analysis, producing an extensive catalog of sequence variants that are
52 present in the DNA sample in question relative to the human reference sequence. The
53 promise of human genome research is nothing short of a complete transformation of
54 basic life science research, translational research, and eventually the way we diagnose,
55 treat, and find cures for human disease.

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

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74 The Venter (HuRef) Genome, however, is especially distinguished for quality among the
75 publicly-available human genome sequences as it is the only one for which its complete
76 diploid assembly was generated from high-quality Sanger reads¹⁷ and for which
77 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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82 To unlock the potential of the Venter/HuRef genome as the outstanding benchmark
83 genome, we have conducted deep whole-genome sequencing (WGS) using a variety of
84 sequencing strategies for the Illumina platform (**Table 1**). Specifically, we produced
85 short-insert paired-end WGS datasets at a combined sequence coverage of 140x,
86 linked-read data at 42x de-duplicated sequencing coverage (133x physical coverage),
87 and three long-insert (2 kb, 5 kb, and 12 kb) paired-end (i.e. mate-pair) WGS datasets
88 with physical coverages of 43x, 97x, and 122x, respectively (**Figure 1**). These datasets
89 are of very high quality (**Figures 2-4**) and are complemented by the existing
90 Venter/HuRef assembly-quality Sanger reads¹⁷ and long-read sequencing data, which
91 was produced using the Pacific Biosciences platform²¹.

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

113 The library preparation was previously described in detail in Mu *et al*²⁰. Briefly, 1 µg
114 of genomic DNA was fragmented using 2 µL of NEBNext dsDNA fragmentase (New
115 England Biolabs, Ipswich, MA) in 1x fragmentation buffer and 1x BSA. Reaction was
116 kept on ice for 5 minutes before adding the fragmentase and was incubated at 37°C
117 for 20 minutes. The reaction was stopped by addition of 5 µL of 0.5 M EDTA. DNA
118 was purified from the reaction mixture using 0.9x by volume AMPure XP beads
119 (Beckman Coulter, Cat# A63880) and eluted in 50 µL of 10mM Tris-Acetate (pH 8.0)
120 buffer. Six independent fragmentation reaction replicates were performed, and the
121 sizes of the DNA were analyzed using Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer before library
122 preparation.

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

138 *Sequencing*

139 Sequencing of the 200 bp and 350 bp insert-size libraries was described previously in
140 Mu et al²⁰. The libraries were sequenced separately (2x100 bp) on an Illumina
141 HiSeq 2000 instrument in rapid run mode. For the 200 bp insert-size library, a total of
142 3,214,626,588 reads generated from 5 sequencing runs was pooled together to
143 obtain 100x genomic coverage. For the 350 bp insert-size library, a total of
144 1,280,576,580 reads generated from two sequencing runs was pooled together to
145 obtain 40x genomic coverage.

146 *Analysis*

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

157 **Illumina mate-pair WGS**

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

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189 After overnight circularization, the uncircularized linear DNA was digested by adding 9
190 μ L of Exonuclease and incubated at 30 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes and heat inactivated at
191 70 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes. Afterwards, 12 μ L of Stop Ligation Buffer was added.
192 Circularized DNA was then transferred to T6 (6x32 mm) glass tube (Covaris, Part#
193 520031 and 520042) and sheared *twice* on the Covaris S2 machine (Intensity of 8,
194 Duty Cycle of 20%, Cycles Per Burst of 200, Time of 40 s, Temperature of 2–6 $^{\circ}$ C).
195 We find that shearing *twice* creates a tighter final library size distribution which leads
196 to a higher fraction of pass-filter clusters during the Illumina sequencing step.
197 The mate pair fragments within the sheared DNA fragments contain the biotinylated
198 junction adapter and were selected by binding to Dynabeads M-280 Streptavidin
199 Magnetic Beads (Invitrogen, Part# 112-05D) by adding an equal volume of the Bead
200 Bind Buffer (incubated at 20 $^{\circ}$ C for 15 minutes on shaking heat block at highest rpm
201 setting). The non-biotinylated molecules in solution were washed away using the
202 Wash Buffer. All downstream reactions were carried out on streptavidin beads with
203 magnetic immobilization and washes with the Wash Buffer between successive
204 reactions (e.g. End Repair, A-Tailing, and Adapter Ligation. The sheared DNA was
205 first End-repaired followed by A-Tailing and TruSeq indexed adapter ligation.
206 The adapter-ligated DNA was resuspended in 20 μ L of Resuspension Buffer and then
207 PCR amplified in a 50 μ L reaction with 25 μ L of PCR 2X Master Mix and 5 μ L of
208 Primers both provided in the Nextera Mate Pair Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina,
209 Cat# FC-132–1001) to generate the final library. The thermocycling conditions are
210 98 $^{\circ}$ C/1 min, 15 cycles of (98 $^{\circ}$ C/10 s, 60 $^{\circ}$ C/30 s, 72 $^{\circ}$ C/30 s), 72 $^{\circ}$ C/5 min,
211 and 4 $^{\circ}$ C /hold. The amplified library (supernatant) was purified using a 0.66x

212 volume of AMPure XP Beads (0.67x vol) and eluted in 20 μ L of Resuspension Buffer.
213 The size distribution of the library was determined by Agilent Technologies 2100
214 Bioanalyzer (High Sensitivity Assay), and the indexed library concentration was
215 measured by the Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851).

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217 *Sequencing*

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219 The Mate-Pair libraries were sequenced on the Illumina NextSeq 500 using the
220 NextSeq 500/550 Mid Output v2 kit (300 cycles) (Illumina, Cat# FC-404-2003) to
221 generate 2 \times 151 bp paired-end reads. The libraries were loaded onto the flowcell at a
222 final concentration of 1.8pM and 1% PhiX Control v3 (Illumina, Cat# FC-110-3001).
223 Additional rounds of sequencing also used a final library concentration of 1.8pM and
224 1% PhiX Control v3.

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226 *Analysis*

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228 Illumina Nextera Mate Pair junction adapter sequences were first trimmed using
229 NxTrim (O'Connell et al. 2015; version 0.4.3) with the "--aggressive --preserve-mp"
230 settings in order to maximize the number of long-insert pairs. Nxtrim outputs four sets
231 of reads, designated "Mate Pair", "Paired-End", "Singleton", and "Unknown." "Mate
232 Pair" reads have junction adapter sequence trimmed off from the 3' end of Read 1
233 and/or Read 2; "Paired-End" (short-insert) reads have junction adapter sequence
234 trimmed from the 5' end of Read 1 and/or Read 2; "Singleton" reads have junction
235 adapter sequence trimmed from the middle of either Read 1 or Read 2 rendering one
236 of the reads useless. "Unknown" reads have no junction adapter sequences detected.
237 This is most likely because the junction adapter sequence sits in the un-sequenced
238 portion of the template, thus whether reads are "Mate Pair" or "Paired-End" cannot be
239 discerned. Nonetheless, mate-pair reads are present in the "Unknown" fractions as
240 well as paired-end reads. The "Unknown" reads can be used for alignment and
241 analysis if more long-insert information is desired??? (O'Connell et al. 2015). Here,
242 the reads designated as "Mate Pair" and "Unknown" were combined, aligned with
243 BWA-MEM (Li and Durbin 2009) against the hg38 reference without ALT alleles
244 ([ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh](ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/)
245 [38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/](ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38/seqs_for_alignment_pipelines.ucsc_ids/)), and sorted using samtools
246 (<http://www.htslib.org/>; version 1.7). Marking of PCR duplicates and calculations of
247 insert-size and coverage information was performed using Picard
248 (<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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254 The Venter/HuRef DNA sample (obtained from the Coriell Institute for Medical
255 Research) was first verified as high molecular weight (>15 kb) by running 60 ng,
256 quantified by using the Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851),
257 on 0.8% 1X TAE agarose gel next to the 1 kb Plus DNA Ladder (ThermoFisher Cat#

258 10787018). Afterwards, 4 μ g of the high molecular weight genomic DNA was loaded
259 on a BluePippin (Sage Science) instrument to select for DNA fragments 30 kb to 80
260 kb using the “0.75%DF Marker U1 high-pass 30- 40 kb vs3” protocol. The
261 concentration of the selected DNA fragments was then quantified by using the Qubit
262 dsDNA HS Assay Kit (Life Technologies, Cat# Q32851) and diluted to 1 ng/ μ L. The
263 final dilution concentration of 1 ng/ μ L was verified again by performing three
264 technical replicates of Qubit dsDNA HS Assay with 5 μ L of the DNA dilution as input.

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

266 The linked-read whole-genome library was prepared using the Chromium Genome kit
267 and reagent delivery system (10X Genomics, Pleasanton, CA). The linked-read
268 library was made following standard manufacturer’s protocol with 10 cycles of PCR
269 amplification. Briefly 1 ng of DNA (~300 genome equivalents) of size-selected high
270 molecular DNA was partitioned into ~1.5 million oil droplets in emulsion, tagged with a
271 unique 16 bp barcode within each droplet, and subjected isothermal amplification
272 (30 $^{\circ}$ C for 3 hours; 65 $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes) by random priming within each droplet.
273 Amplified (isothermal) DNA was then purified from the droplet emulsion following the
274 manufacturer’s protocol using SPRI beads. The purified DNA was then End-Repaired
275 and A-tailed followed by adapter ligation of adapter in the same reaction mixture.
276 DNA was purified from the was the reaction mixture using SPRI beads and eluted in
277 40 μ L. Sample Index PCR amplification (primers and 2x master mix provided in the
278 Chromium Genome kit) was then performed on the eluted DNA in a total volume of
279 100 μ L with the following thermocycling conditions: 98 $^{\circ}$ C/45s, 10 cycles of
280 (98 $^{\circ}$ C/20s, 54 $^{\circ}$ C/30s, 72 $^{\circ}$ C/20s), 72 $^{\circ}$ C/1 min, and 4 $^{\circ}$ C /hold. Primer
281 index SI-GA-A6 was used. DNA (final linked-read library) was purified from the PCR
282 reaction with SPRI bead size selection following manufacturer’s protocol.

283 The final purified library was quantified by qPCR (KAPA Library Quantification Kit for
284 Illumina platforms, Kapa Biosystems, Wilmington, MA) using the following
285 thermocycling conditions: 95 $^{\circ}$ C/3 min, 30 cycles of (95 $^{\circ}$ C/5s, 67 $^{\circ}$ C/30s). The
286 library concentration was calculated in nanomolar (nM) concentration and then diluted
287 to 5 nM. Sequencing (2x151bp, 8 cycles of single indexing) on two lanes of Illumina
288 HiSeq X was performed at Macrogen (Rockville, MD).

289 290 *Sequencing*

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

299 300 *Analysis*

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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

304 Chromium library index “SI-GA-A6” was specified in the required sample sheet file for
305 “mkfastq”. Before alignment, the hg38 genome files were downloaded from
306 [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](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)
307 [_set.fna.gz](ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genomes/all/GCA/000/001/405/GCA_000001405.15_GRCh38_no_alt_analysis_set.fna.gz) and indexed using the “mkref” mode in Long Ranger. Sequencing
308 alignment and haplotype phasing were performed using the “wgs” mode in Long Ranger,
309 and the options “--sex=male” and “--vcmode=freebayes” were specified. Only “PASS”
310 SNPs and Indels 50 bp or smaller were included in the final phased variant vcf.
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313 DATA RECORDS

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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

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

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331 Illumina mate-pair WGS

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333 Illumina mate-pair data sequenced (2x150 bp) on the Illumina NextSeq 500 are
334 available through NCBI SRA accessions SRR6951312 [Data Citation 3: NCBI SRA
335 SRR6951312], SRR6951313 [Data Citation 4: NCBI SRA SRR6951313], and
336 SRR6951310 [Data Citation 5: NCBI SRA SRR6951310] for insert sizes 2 kb, 5 kb, and
337 12 kb respectively.

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339 10X Genomics Chromium linked-read Library

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341 10X Genomics Chromium linked-read data sequenced (2x150 bp) on two lanes of the
342 Illumina HiSeq X Ten is available through NCBI SRA accession SRR6951311 [Data
343 Citation 6: NCBI SRA SRR6951311]. The phased variants of the Venter/HuRef
344 genome obtained through the analysis linked reads is available through dbSNP
345 NCBI_ss# 2137543904 to 3651364986 (For phasing information, request for original
346 submitted vcf file through NCBI dbSNP.) [Data Citation 7: NCBI dbSNP NCBI_ss#
347 2137543904-3651364986].

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349 TECHNICAL VALIDATION

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351 Illumina short-insert WGS

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

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359 Illumina mate-pair WGS

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361 Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries was assessed using FastQC
362 (Supplementary Information). Insert-size, coverage, GC-bias, alignment, and
363 duplication metrics were analyzed using Picard tools
364 (<http://broadinstitute.github.io/picard/>). These statistics are summarized in **Table 1,**
365 **Table 2 and Figure 2C-J**. Read fractions that were designated by NxTrim²³ as “Mate
366 Pair”, “Paired-End”, “Singletons”, and “Unknown” are summarized in **Table 3**. The
367 “Mate Pair” fraction for all libraries fall within the expected range (~40-60%). The
368 relatively high rates of PCR duplication (expected for mate-pair libraries) result in
369 significant decreases in sequence coverage (3x to 7x) (**Table 1, Table 2, Figure 2,**
370 **Supplementary Information**). However, the more useful metric for mate-pair
371 sequencing is high physical coverage¹⁵. The mean insert sizes for the mate pair
372 libraries are 1.8 kb, 4.8 kb, and 12.2 kb (**Table 2, Figure 2**), which results in physical
373 genomic coverage values of 62x, 136x, and 162x respectively.

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375 10X Genomics Chromium Library

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377 Sequencing quality of the WGS mate-pair libraries were assessed using FastQC
378 (Supplementary Information). Input molecule length, coverage, alignment, duplication,
379 droplet barcode, and phasing metrics were analyzed using Long Ranger software
380 version 2.1.5 from 10X Genomics (Pleasanton, CA, USA). These statistics are
381 summarized in **Table 1, Table 2, Table 4 and Figure 3**. Overall, 2.4 million and 1.5
382 million, 0.42 million and 0.29 million heterozygous and homozygous SNVs and indels
383 respectively were called (**Table 4**). Of which, 96.7% and 93.85% of heterozygous SNVs
384 and Indels respectively were successfully phased in the Venter/HuRef Genome in a
385 total of 8882 haplotype blocks (N50 ~ 0.9 Mbp, longest phase block ~ 6.5 Mbp) (**Table**
386 **4**). Phase blocks for each chromosome are shown in **Figure 3**. Similar to mate-pair
387 libraries, the physical coverage of the linked read library is calculated to be 133x from
388 the mean input DNA molecule length of 32kb.

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390 USAGE NOTES (optional)

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

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

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414 **COMPETING INTERESTS**

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416 The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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482 **FIGURE & TABLE LEGENDS**

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

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490 **Figure 2.** Normalized coverage, GC (%) content windows, base quality at GC (%), and
491 corresponding insert-size histograms for all WGS libraries: 200 bp short-insert **(A,B)**,
492 350 bp short-insert **(C,D)**, 2kb-mate-pair **(E,F)**, 5kb-mate-pair **(G,H)**, 12kb-mate-pair
493 **(I,J)**.

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

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

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

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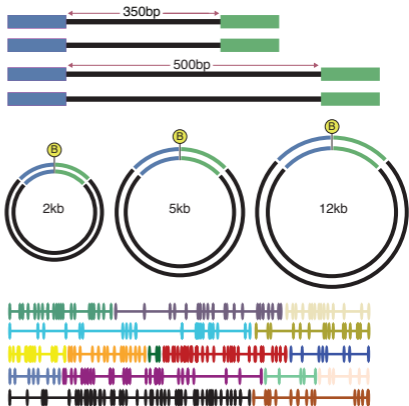
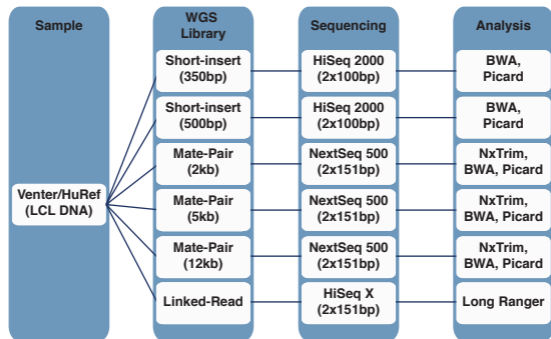
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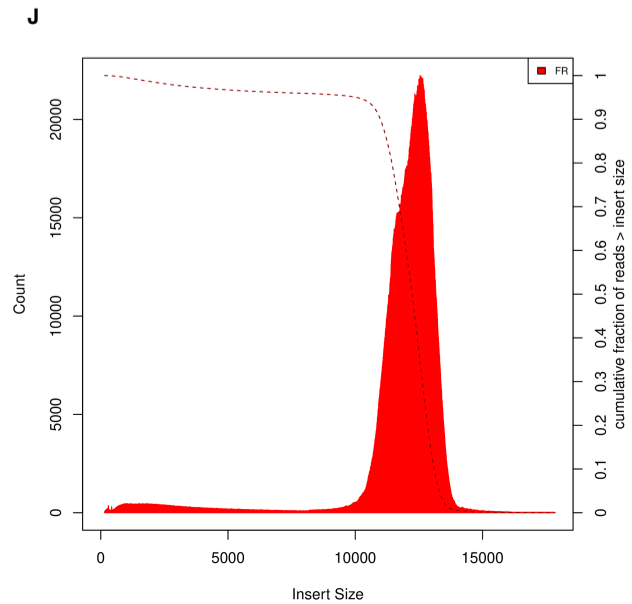
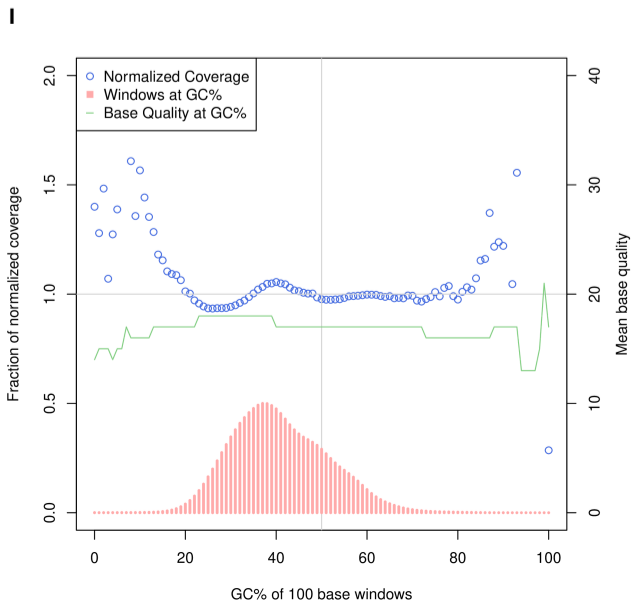
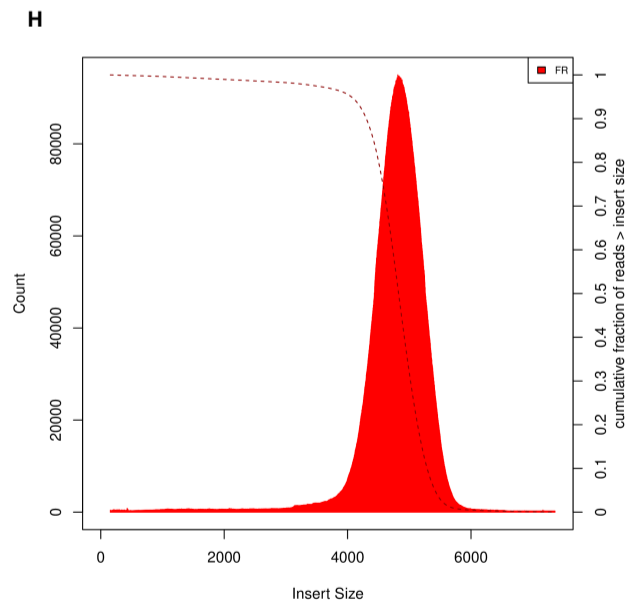
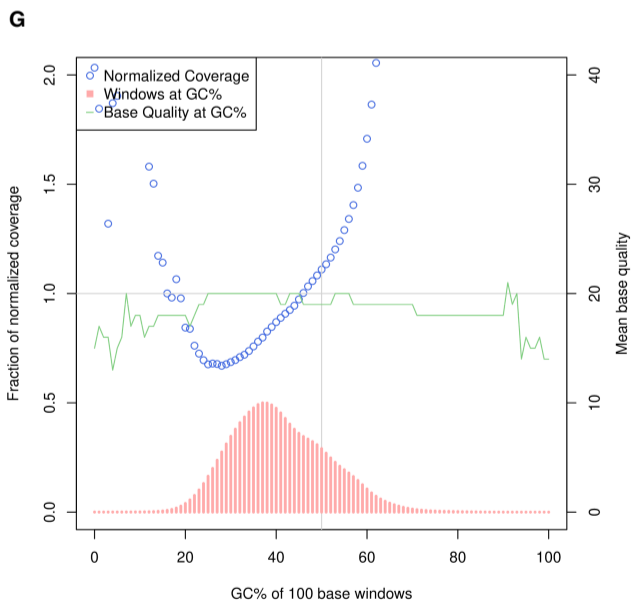
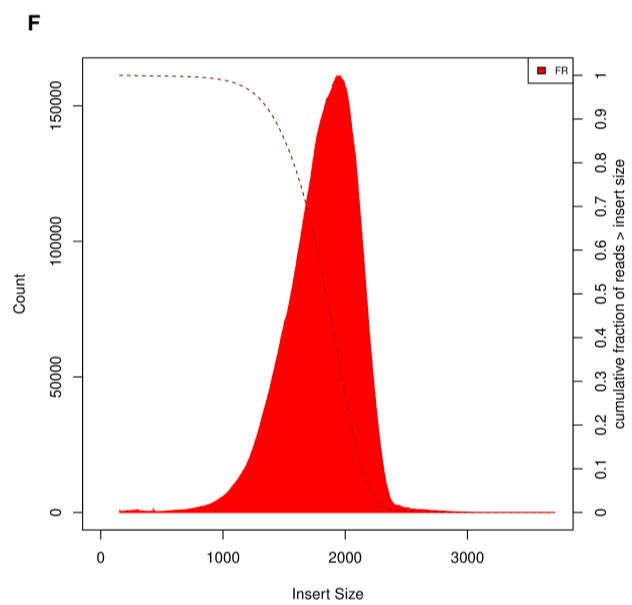
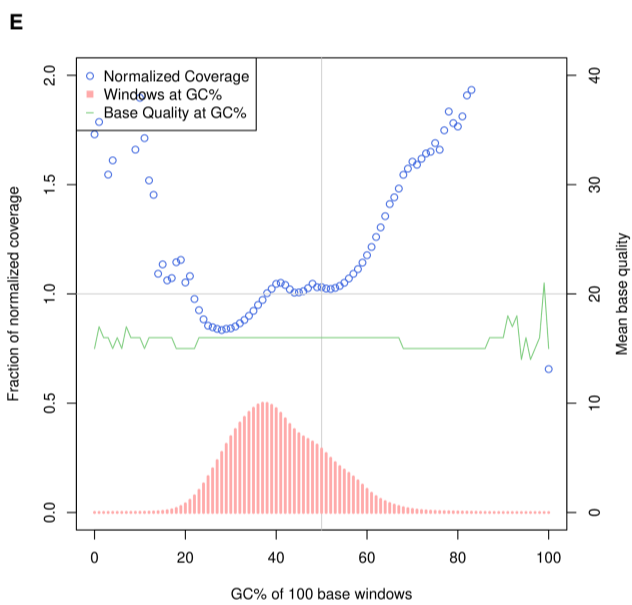
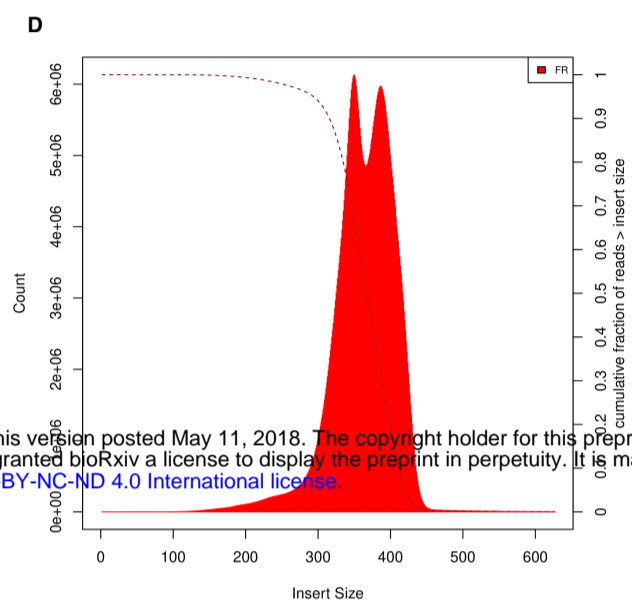
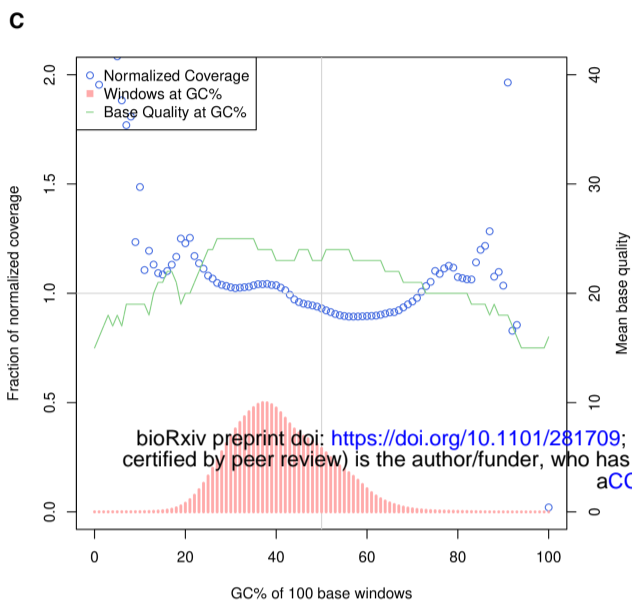
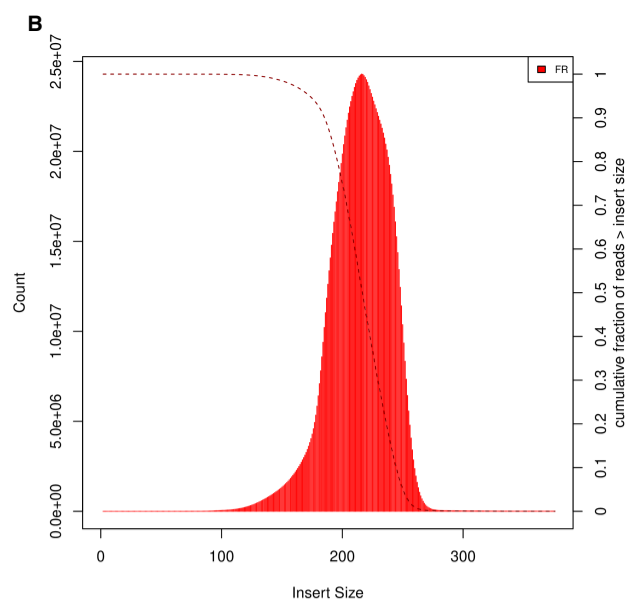
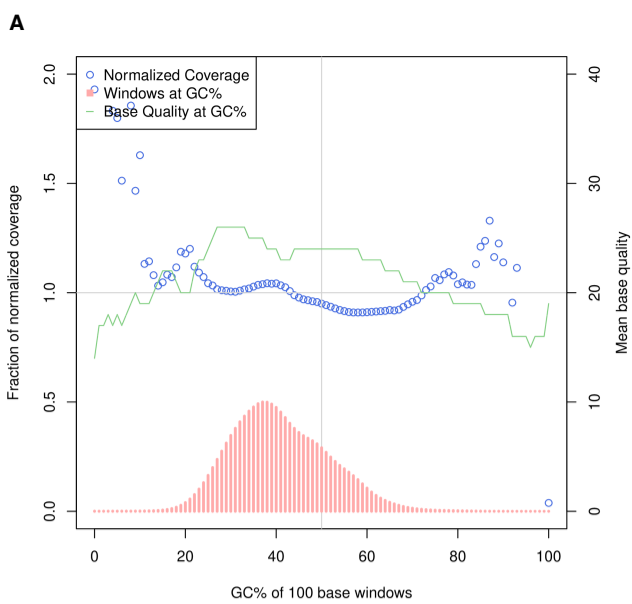
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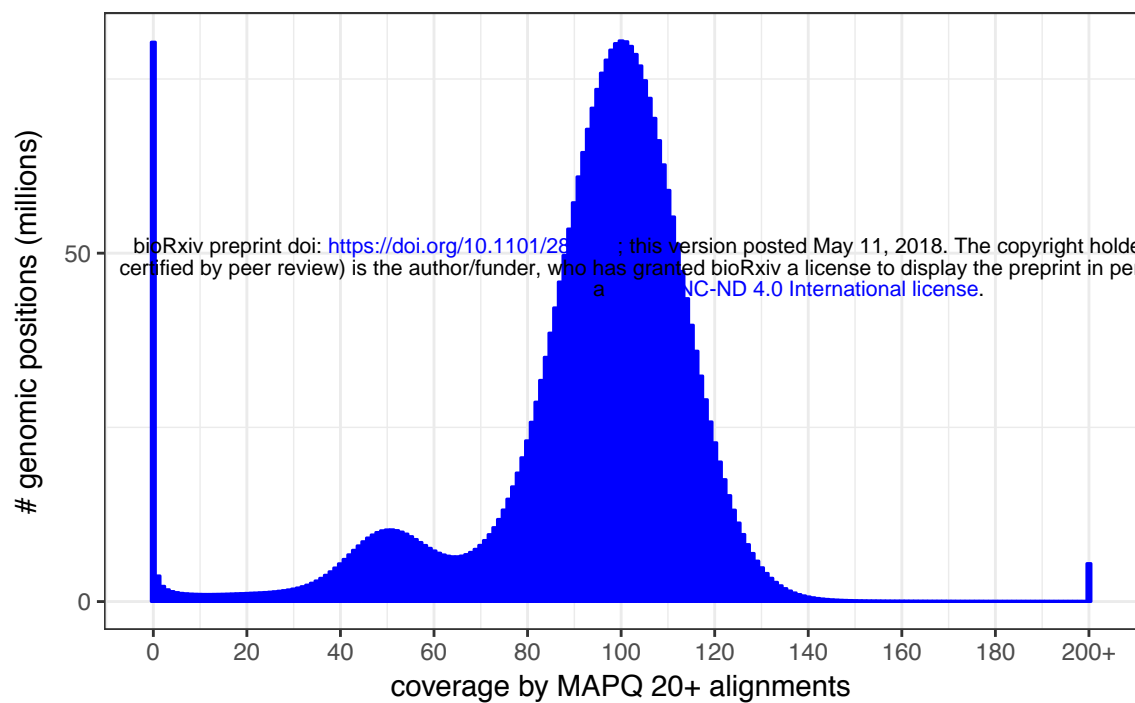
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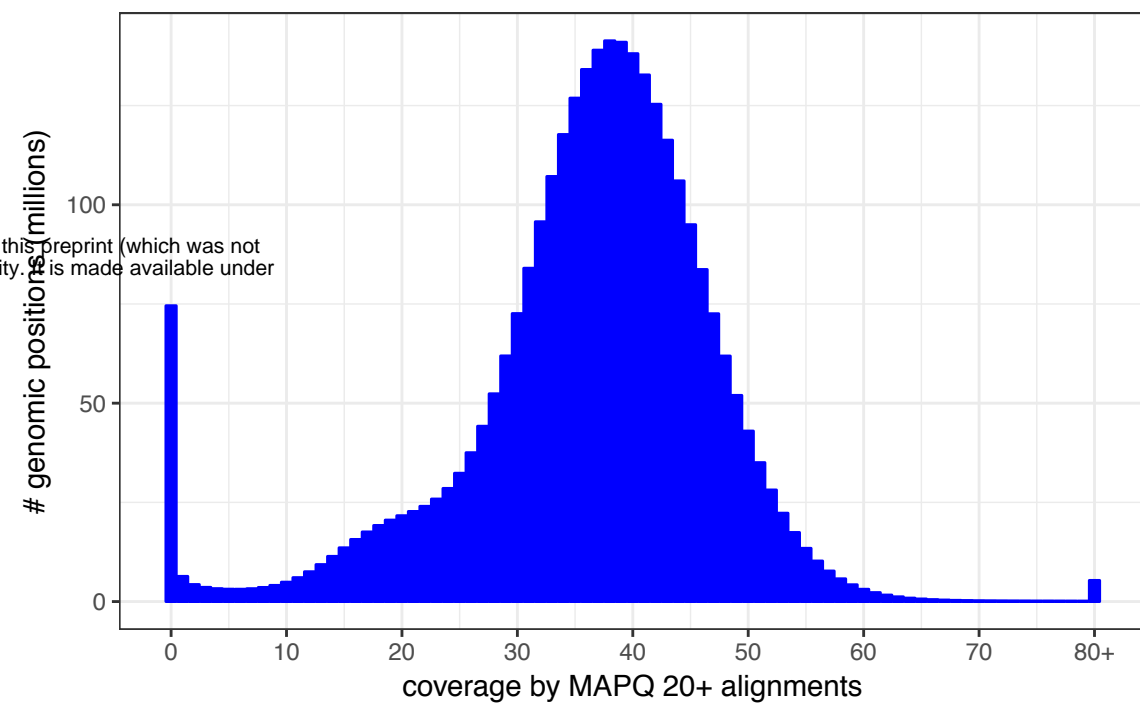


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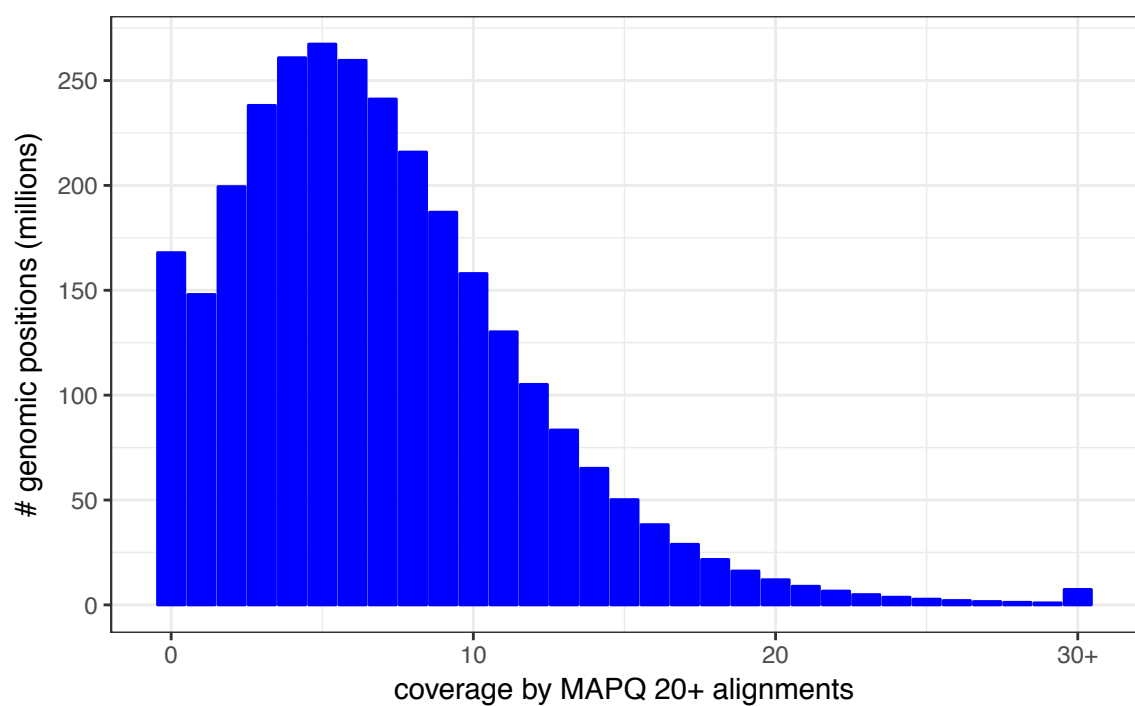
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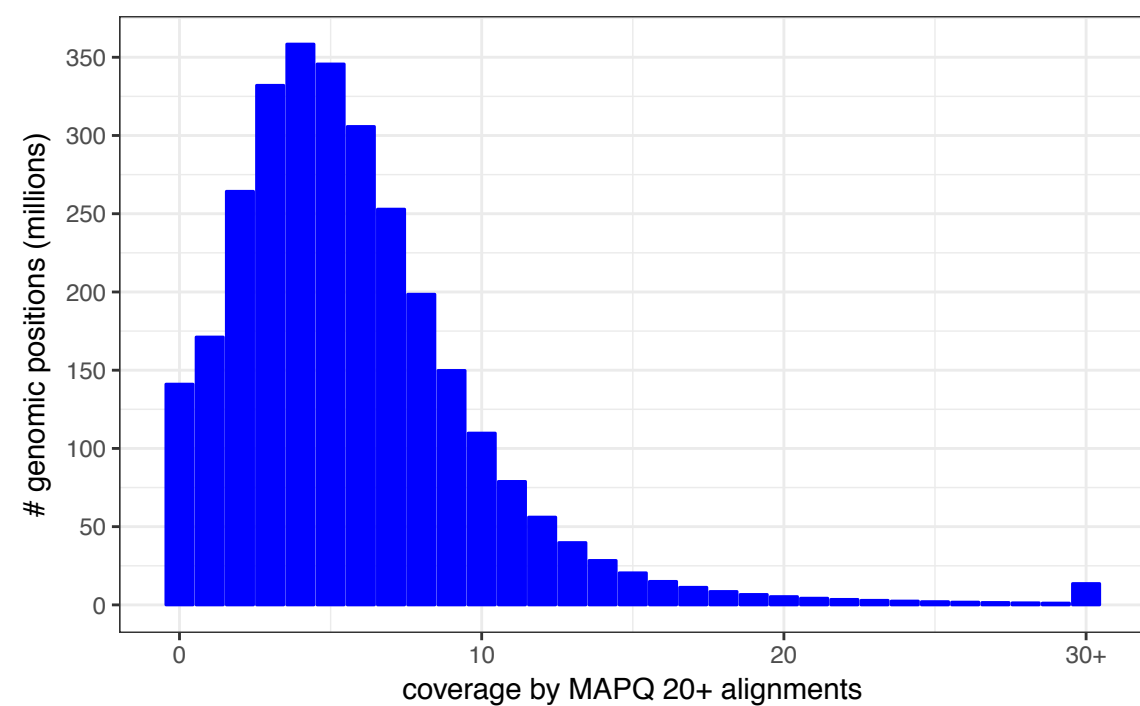
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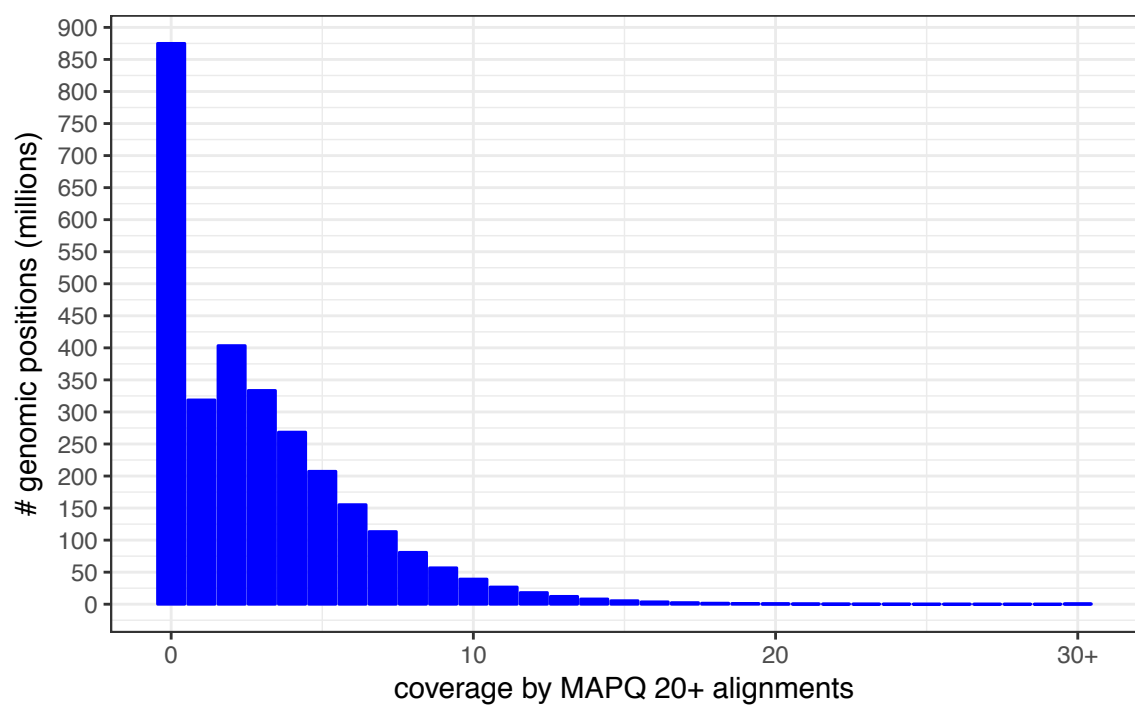
Venter 2 kb mate pair

**D**

Venter 5 kb mate pair

**E**

Venter 12 kb mate pair

**F**

Venter linked-read WGS

