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GigaGalaxy: A GigaSolution for reproducible and sustainable genomic data publication and analysis

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Abstract

Today's next generation sequencing (NGS) experiments generate substantially more data and are more broadly applicable to previous high-throughput genomic assays. Despite the plummeting costs of sequencing, downstream data processing and analysis create financial and bioinformatics challenges for many biomedical scientists. It is therefore important to make NGS data interpretation as accessible as data generation. GigaGalaxy (http://galaxy.cbiit.cuhk.edu.hk) represents a NGS data interpretation solution towards the big sequencing data challenge. We have ported the popular Short Oligonucleotide Analysis Package (http://soap.genomics.org.cn) as well as supporting tools such as Contiguator2 (http://contiguator.sourceforge.net) into the Galaxy framework, to provide seamless NGS mapping, de novo assembly, NGS data format conversion and sequence alignment visualization. Our vision is to create an open publication, review and analysis environment by integrating GigaGalaxy into the publication platform at *GigaScience* and its GigaDB database that links to more than 20 TBs of genomic data. We have begun this effort by re-implementing the data procedures described by Luo et al., (GigaScience 1: 18, 2012) as Galaxy workflows so that they can be shared in a manner which can be visualized and executed in GigaGalaxy. We hope to revolutionize the publication model with the aim of executable publications, where data

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Background

Growing replication gap:

- 10/18 microarray papers cannot be reproduced
- Ioannidis: "Most Published Research Findings Are False"
- >15X increase in retracted papers in last decade
- · Lack of incentives to make data/methods available

GigaSolution: deconstructing the paper

Combine and integrate (via citable DOIs):



Open-access journal www.gigasciencejournal.com Data Publishing Platform



gigadb.org Data Analysis Platform



GigaGalaxy: screenshot



Example: SOAPdenovo2

Linking papers to data and analyses



Implement paper pipelines in GigaGalaxy



Visualization of results:

e.g. GAGE metrics and CONTIGuator 2 outputs:



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