

Draft of a Saudi pangenome graph

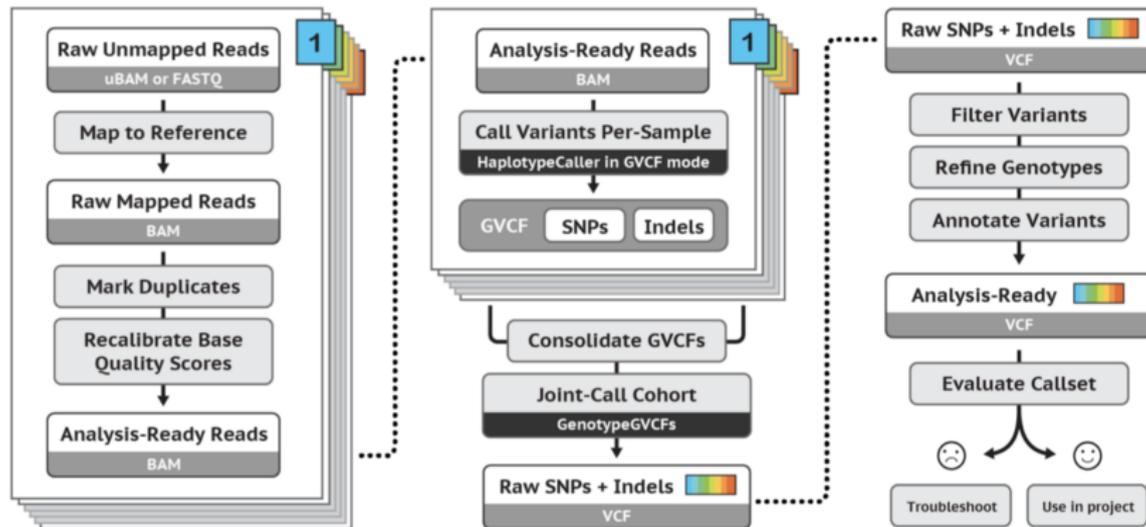
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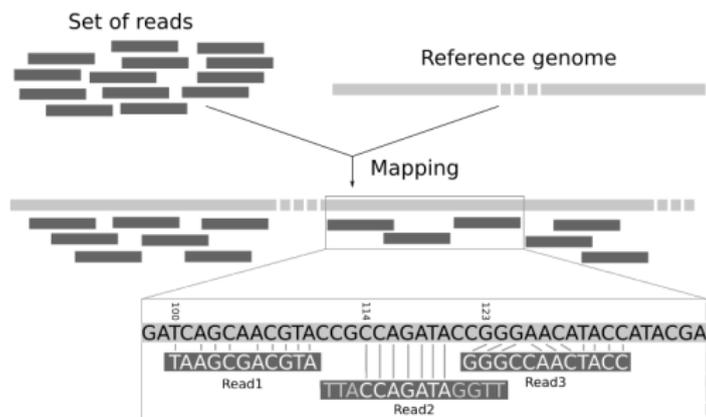
Variant calling



Variant calling is (still) challenging

- compute
 - around 30 USD worth compute time on cloud per genome
 - 12-24 hours compute
- storage
 - up to 1 TB for a trio
- resources: prior knowledge on known variants (population-specific), reference genome
- structural variants, chromosomal abnormalities
- reproducibility and provenance
 - many possible variations of a workflow
 - differences in program/data version

Reference genome



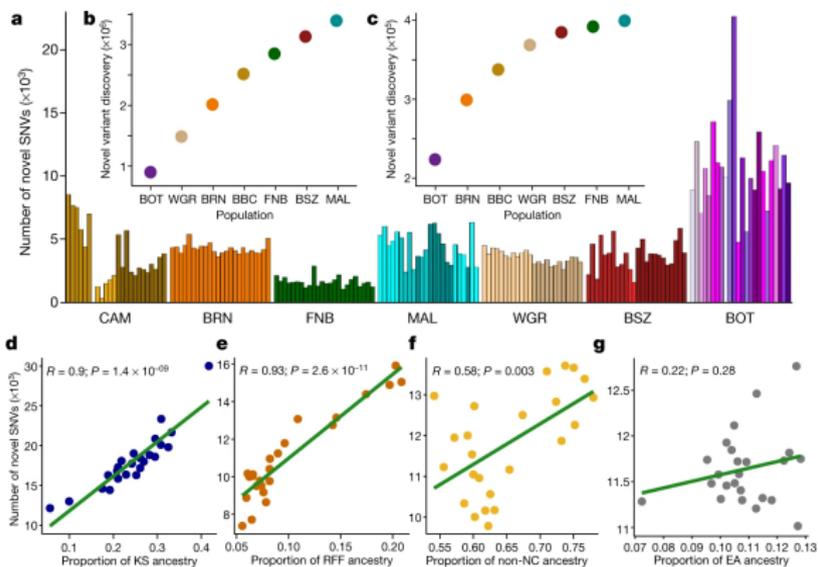
- linear, haploid
- single individual or small group of individuals
- major allele references

The use of single, haploid, linear reference genomes leads to reference bias

Reference bias: gaps and missing structural variation



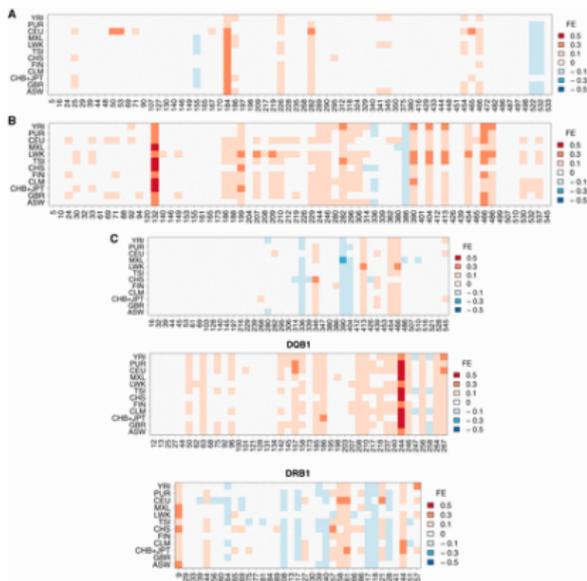
Reference bias: lack of diversity



Choudhury et al., Nature 2020

- lack of diversity
 - greater problem as distance to reference increases
 - structural variation
 - reads won't map

Reference bias: effect on genomic medicine



- Brandt et al. (G3 2015) compared 1000 Genomes Phase 1 with Sanger sequencing of HLA-A, -B, -C, -DRB1, and -DQB1
- 18.6% of HLA genotypes were mismatched
- usually: overestimation of reference allele (mapping bias)
- affecting any polymorphic region

Improving variant calling

- does variant calling need a reference genome?

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Goodbye reference, hello genome graphs

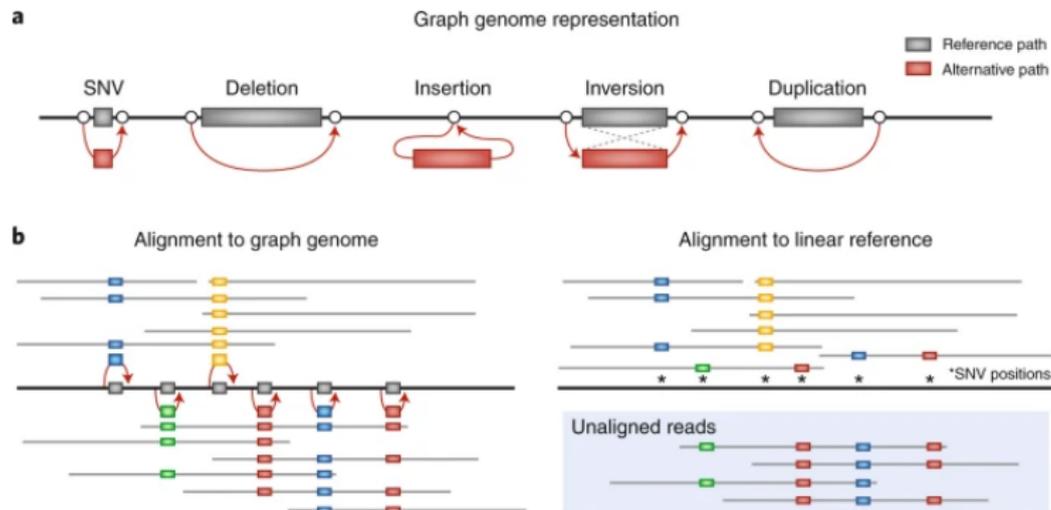
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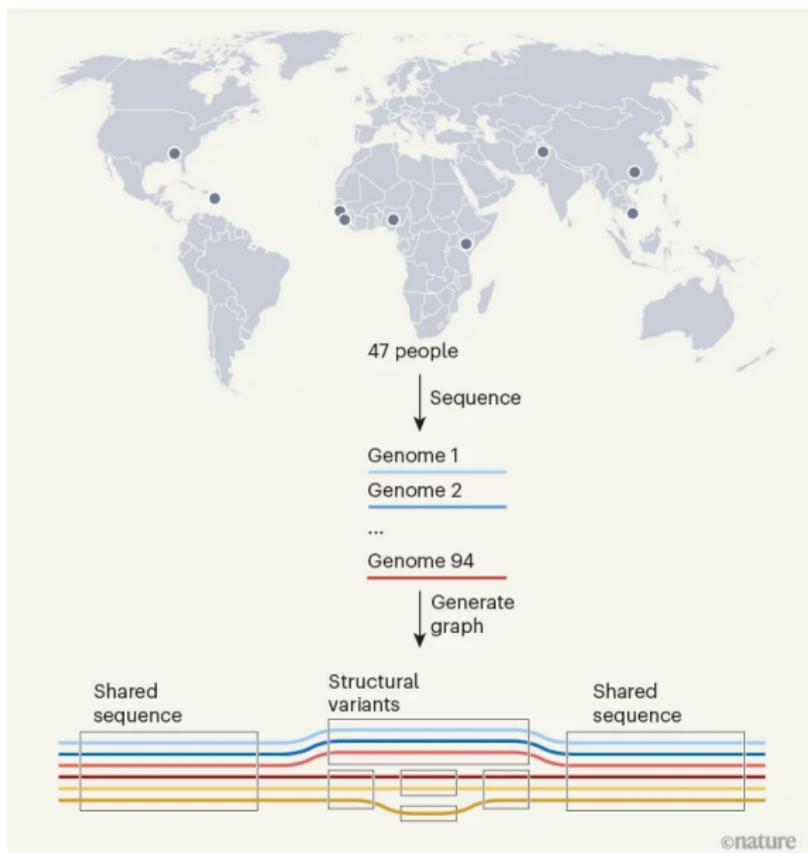


Improving variant calling: Pangenome graphs



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HPRC graph lacks Arab population



KSA001: T2T Saudi genome

A personal, reference quality, fully annotated genome from a Saudi individual

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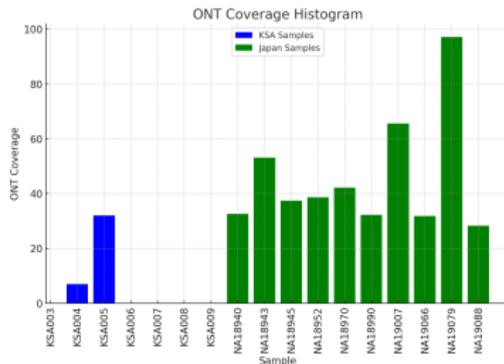
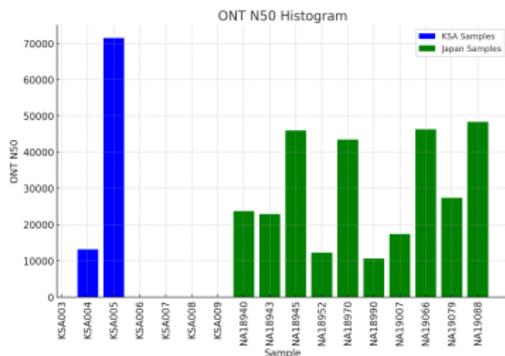
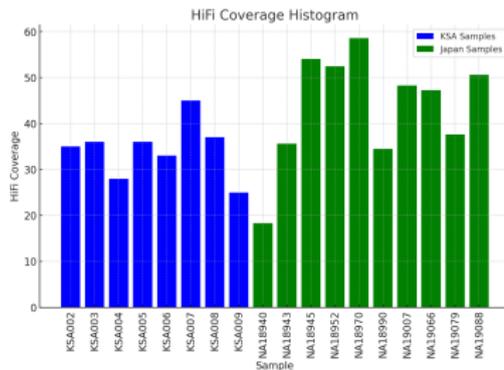
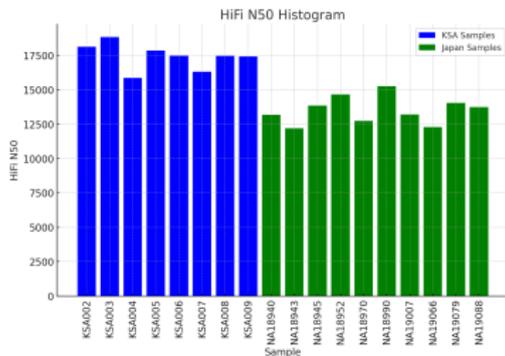
We have used multiple sequencing approaches to sequence the genome of a volunteer from Saudi Arabia. We use the resulting data to generate a *de novo* assembly of the genome, and use different computational approaches to refine the assembly. As a consequence, we provide a contiguous assembly of the complete genome of an individual from Saudi Arabia for all chromosomes except chromosome Y, and label this assembly KSA001. We transferred genome annotations from reference genomes and predicted genome features using methods from Artificial Intelligence to fully annotate KSA001, and we make all primary sequencing data, the assembly, and the genome annotations freely available in public databases using the FAIR data principles.

Japanese–Saudi PanGenome (JaSaPaGe)

- aim: population-specific pangenome
- 9 Saudi volunteers (7 male, 2 female)
- 10 Japanese samples (Coriell, all male)
- sequencing:
 - Pacbio HiFi: 30-50x coverage
 - Hi-C: 50x coverage
 - ONT (UL): 7-100x

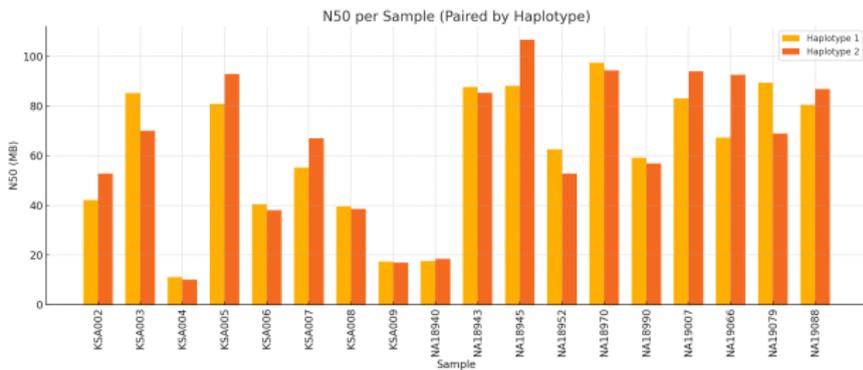
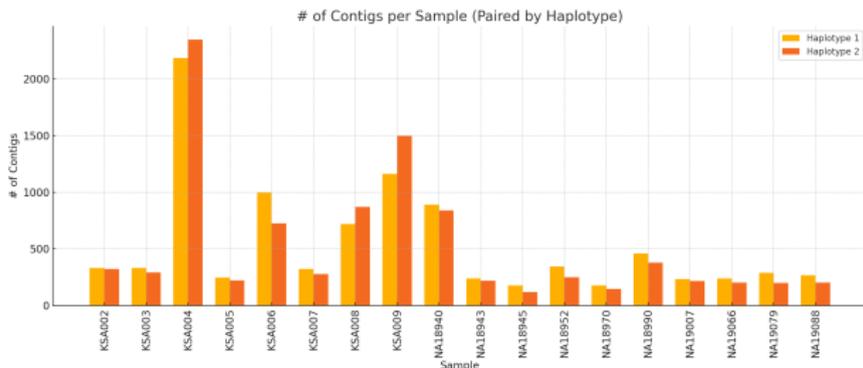
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Sequencing statistics



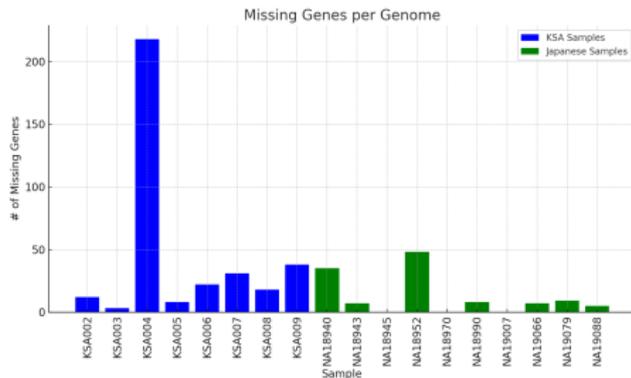
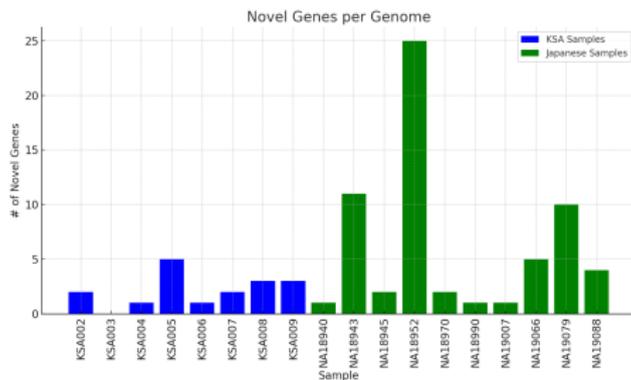
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Copy number variants, Amylase



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Availability

- Creative Commons Zero (Public Domain)
 - use for any purpose
- `https://github.com/bio-ontology-research-group/ksa001`
- NCBI Datasets
- Sequence Read Archive
- all data available by November
 - missing: pangenome graphs, assemblies

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