Biomed. Data Sci. Personal Genomes Intro.









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Analyzing Carl Zimmer's genome





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- Cost: \$3100
- Illumina briefly review the sequencing data, evaluating the risk for 1200 disorders, from familiar ones like lung cancer to obscure ones like cherubism

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Genome Variation

TP53 Sequence:

...GGAGTCTTCCAGTGTGATGATGGTGAGGATGGGCCTCCGGTT...

Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) –1nt: ...GGAGTCTTCCAGTGTGATGATGGTGAGGATGGGGCCTCCGGTT... T or A or C

Small Insertions and DELetions (INDEL) – 1-10nt: ...GGAGTCTTCCAGTGTGATGATGGTGAGGATGGGCCTCCGGTT...

Large Structural Variations (SV) -- >100nt:

...GGAGTCTTCCAGTGTGATGATGGTGAGGATGGGCCTCCGGTT..

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- Normal range of number of SNPs
- Carl's case: more than 3M SNPs
- How do we know if the SNP is harmful?





- Thousand genome project
- Common SNP data base found in the population



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1000_Genomes_Project

Human Genetic Variation



* Variants with allele frequency < 0.5% are considered as rare variants in 1000 genomes project.

Association of Variants with Diseases



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- Got a variant in a gene for heart muscles, called DSG2
- DSG2 gene encodes a protein in humans called Desmoglein-2
- Mutations in desmoglein-2 have been associated with arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy



We're all different in our DNA. We're finally starting to understand when those differences matter ---- Carl Zimmer

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SNP changing protein structure



114: I->T

- NAT2, an enzyme in the liver that breaks down caffeine and other toxins with a similar molecular structure.
- NAT2 helps break down certain medicines too. The variant puts people at risk of bad side effects from those drugs.

Structural Variation



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- Structural variation
- Example: HTT
- Certain mutations in HTT cause Huntington's disease.
- Healthy people have a wide range of CAG repeats. It's only when people get 37 or more CAG repeats in HTT that they are at risk of developing Huntington's disease.
- The reference genome has 19 CAG repeats. Carl has 17.

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Non-coding variant

- Variant rs1421085
- Located in a genetic switch that activates several genes in fat cells
- The variant causes people to put on an average of 7 pounds



Integrating environmental factors, genetic background, and large-scale datasets

- Difference between health and disease depends on many factors.
- Environment, genome, cellular contents, etc. all play a a role.
- Important to integrate information from multiple large-scale datasets.



Expanding personalized medicine beyond the genome.

- An integrated personal omics profile (iPOP) is an example of a more comprehensive version of personalized medicine.
- Michael Snyder had his genome sequenced and collected many other large scale datasets over an extended period of time.



Integrated personal omics profile (iPOP)

- Numerous types of data were collected, primarily from blood samples. The datasets include:
 - Transcriptomic
 - Proteomic
 - Metabolomic
 - Cytokine profiling
 - Autoantibody profiling
 - Medical exams



Longitudinal medical data



 Tracking relevant medical (e.g. blood glucose) data over time helps link phenotypic changes with changes at the molecular level.