Expanding our understanding of human genetic variation through long-read sequencing of 1000 **Genomes Project samples**

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Clinical genetic testing often occurs in a stepwise fashion, involving multiple tests and clinic visits



Frésard et al. 2018 and Clark et al. 2018; Gibson et al., Submitted

New technologies, such as long-read sequencing will increase the diagnostic rate



Long-read sequencing as a single test



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Variants that are difficult to detect or interpret

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Short-read sequencing detects less than half the SVs seen by long-read sequencing



Adapted from Zhao et al. 2020

Long-read sequencing technologies



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LRS can be used to identify variants in complex regions of the genome

- Newborn with respiratory failure at birth requiring ECMO
- Duo exome sequencing revealed a likely pathogenic 2-bp deletion in HYDIN



Unpublished data



HYDIN is a 400-kb gene containing a 380-kb segmental duplication



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Short reads do not align well within HYDIN



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LRS gives even coverage across HYDIN and identifies SNVs difficult to detect with short reads



Unpublished data; R9.4 flow cell, superior model, all variants shown

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- 8-year-old male with suspected glycogen storage disease
 - Panel identified a single pathogenic variant in AGL, but no 2nd variant
- Family returns for re-evaluation and additional testing
 - SNP array: negative
 - Exon-level array: negative
- Research-based short-read WGS
 - SV identified in AGL, thought to be a translocation
 - Clinical optical genome mapping: negative
- Research long-read sequencing

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Existing databases cannot be used to determine the allele frequency of these variants



The 1000 Genomes Project characterized patterns of human genetic variation

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- Catalog of SVs for filtering and variant prioritization
- Expand our understanding of variation in difficult to analyze regions of the genome
- Evaluate variation in regions associated with interesting signals in existing data

LRS data is analyzed using both alignment-based and assembly-based approaches



Data available at https://s3.amazonaws.com/1000g-ont/index.html

Kolmogorov et al., 2023; 1000 Genomes ONT Sequencing Consortium

The first 100 samples have read N50s >40 kb with >30x coverage



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The distribution of insertions and deletions in the first 100 samples follows expected patterns



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The number of novel SVs increase as more individuals are added



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Name	Chromosome	Start_Position	End_Position	Gene_Name	SV_Type	SV_Length	Start_Variance	End_Variance	MAF
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	chr1	99856307	99856343	AGL	DEL	-36	2.00	0.00	0.07211540
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Data from the 1000G cohort can be used to establish allele frequencies for challenging changes



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