# Calling DNA variants – SNVs, CNVs, and SVs

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Internationally recognised state-of-the-art sequencing centre situated in the Parc Científic de Barcelona. Publically funded, not-for-profit.

60 staff, over 50% informatics/computer engineers

### **Mission**

Carry out projects in genome analysis that will lead to **significant improvements in people's health and quality of life**, in collaboration with the Spanish, European and International Research Community.

### **Research interests**

- Disease Gene Identification and Personalised Medicine
- Cancer Genomics
- Single Cell RNAseq
- Agrogenomics and Model Organisms (e.g. genome assembly and gene prediction of various primate *spp*., Iberian Lynx, Olive ...)





### CNAG Genomehenge (version 2017)







#### **Sequencing capacity**

>1000 Gbases/day = 10 human genomes per day at 30x coverage

#### Sequencing

- ➢ 3 Illumina HiSeq2000
- > 3 Illumina HiSeq2500
- > 1 Illumina HiSeq4000
- 1 Illumina MiSeq
- 4 Illumina cBots
- 3 Oxford Nanopore MinIons

### Computing

- 3552 cores
- > 3.7 PB disk + 3 PB tape archive
- > 35.5 TB RAM
- Barcelona SuperComputing Center 10 x 10 Gb/s







# **CNAG QA Certification**



Agilent Certified

Services Provider Target Enrichment System

### ✓ December 2013

"Illumina CSPro recognizes that CNAG provides customers with industry-leading data quality and service in genetic analysis."

### ✓ May 2014

"CNAG has successfully completed **Agilent Certified ServicesTraining** for Target Enrichment System for NGS."



### ✓ December 2014

"ISO 9001 certified for management and performance of high throughput sequencing and genomic analysis projects and services."



April 2016

"ISO 17025 accreditation for DNA & RNAAnalysis using high throughput sequencing (NGS)"



May 2017

Roche- Nimblegen SeqCap EZ Certified Service Providers CNAG is the first and only Nimblegen certified provider in Europe



# Active participant in many international biomedical initiatives

Member of the Global Alliance for Genomics and Health (GA4GH)

Participation, through the National Bioinformatics Institute (INB), in **ELIXIR**, the European bioinformatics infrastructure.

Participation in the International Human Epigenome Consortium (IHEC)

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Participation in the International Rare Diseases Research Consortium (IRDiRC)















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- Single Nucleotide Variants (SNVs)
  - e.g.  $A \rightarrow G$  note **diploid** individual may be "AA", "AG", or "GG"
- Short (<50nt) insertions and deletions (InDels)</p>
  - e.g. TA  $\rightarrow$  TATA (insertion of "TA")
  - e.g.  $CT \rightarrow C$  (deletion of the "T" at the second position)

Copy Number Variants (CNVs) – generally tandem duplications of typically longer regions (~1-100kb) that are often polymorphic within the population e.g. AMY1

Structural Variants (SVs) – often larger still, and often complex in nature

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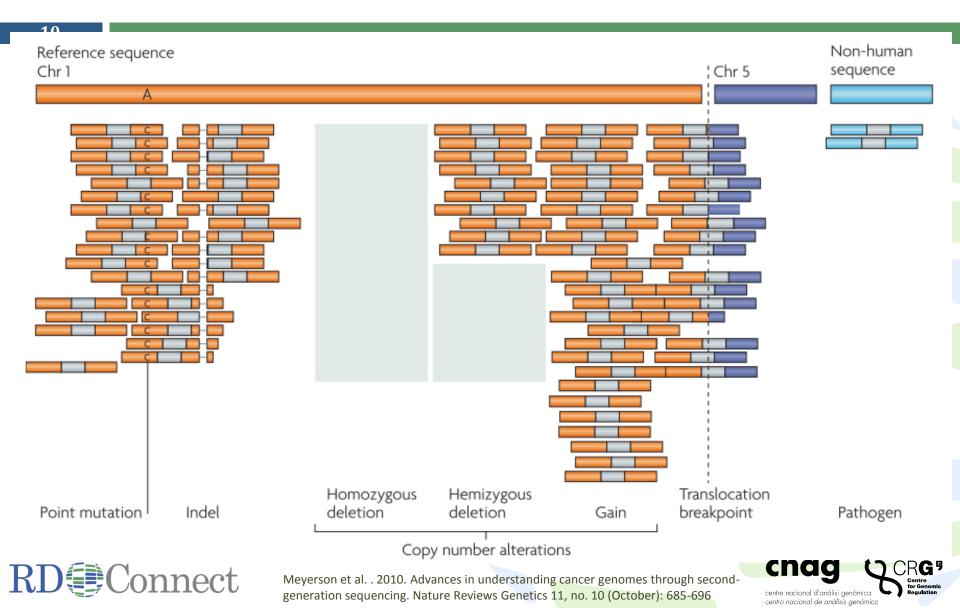
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- Copy Number Variants (CNVs) generally tandem duplications
   ~ 11.3Mbp per individual (1kGP);
   5-9% of genome 50bp-3Mbp (Zarrei *et al*, NRG, 2015)
- Structural Variants (SVs) often larger still, and often complex in nature ~ 10Mbp per individual (1kGP) – 59Mbp (English et al, 2015)





# Summary of Variant Types



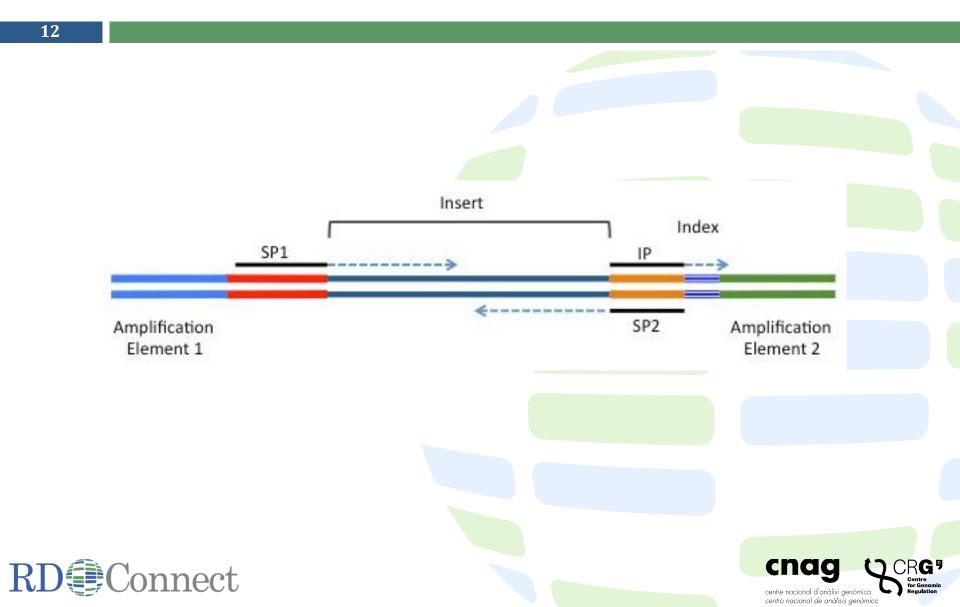


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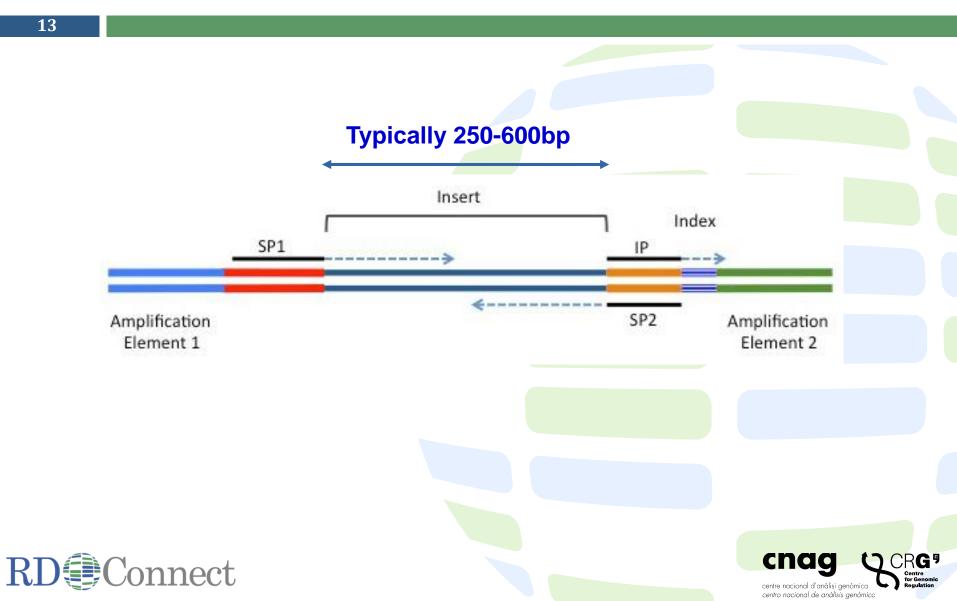
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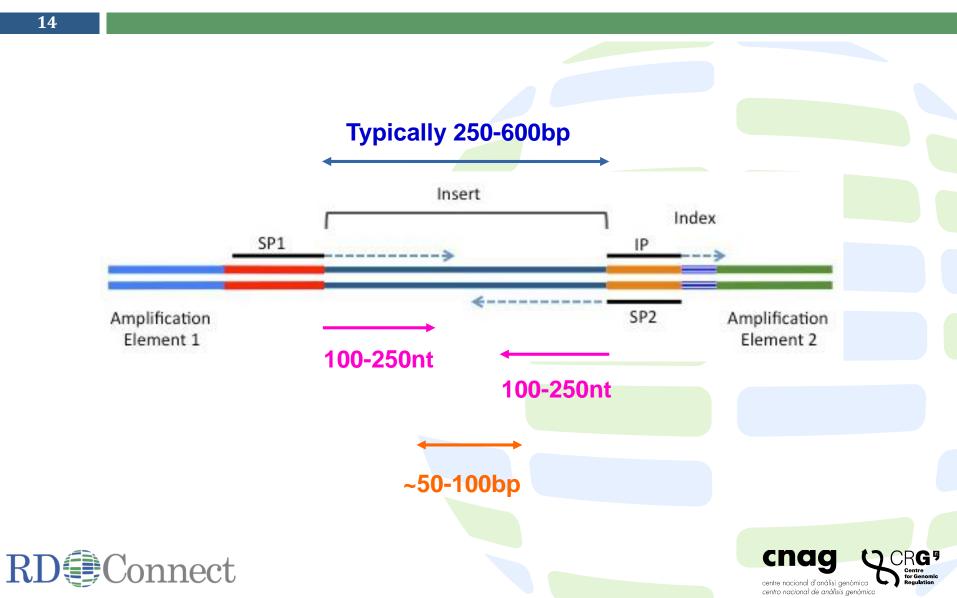










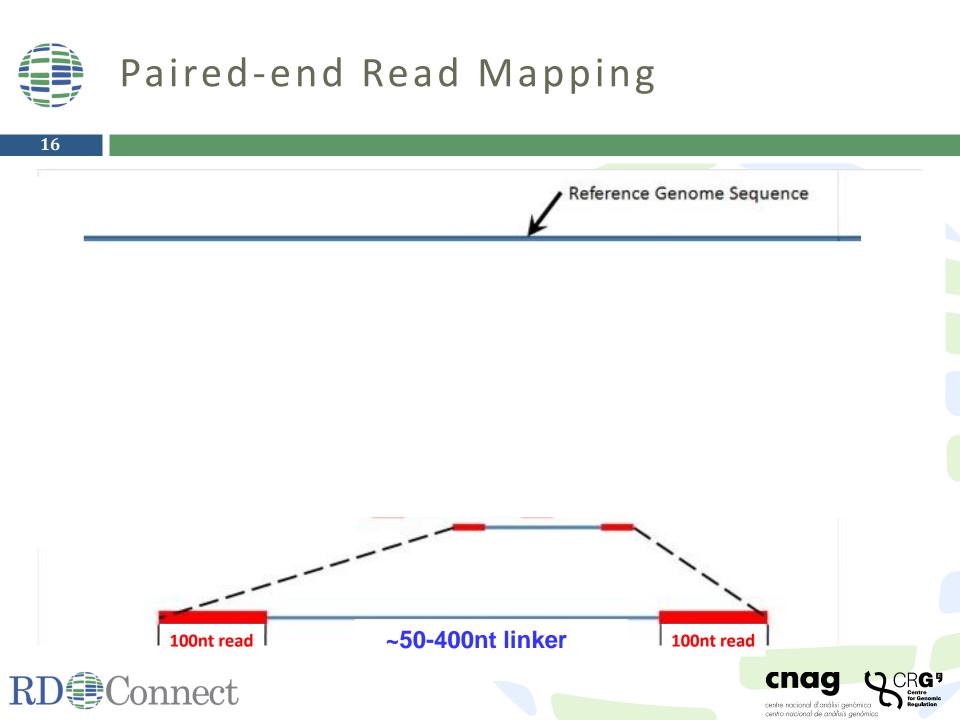






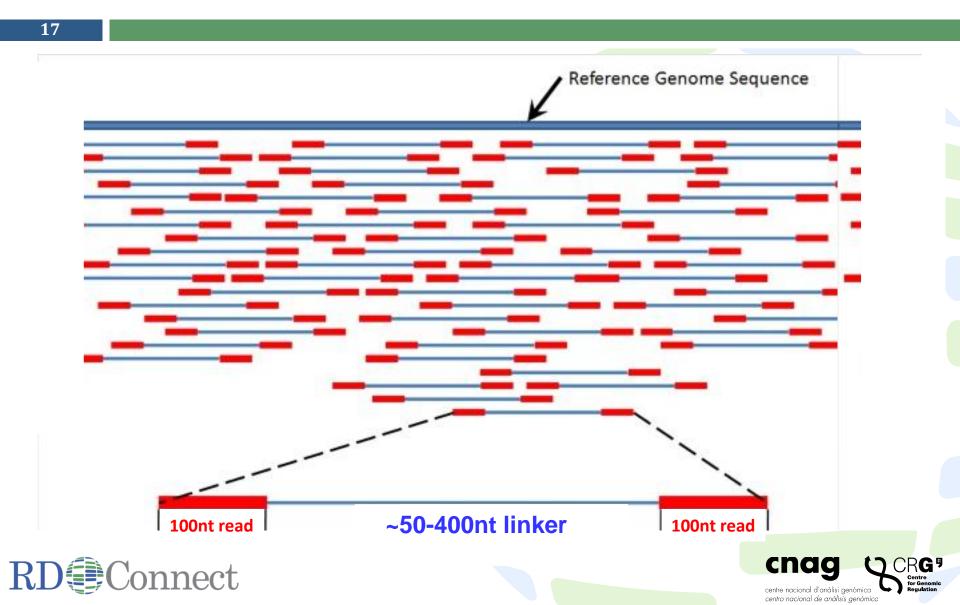


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# Paired-end Read Mapping





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- Copy Number Variants (CNVs) generally tandem duplications ~ 5-10% of genome
- Structural Variants (SVs) often larger still, and often complex in nature ~ 13% of genome

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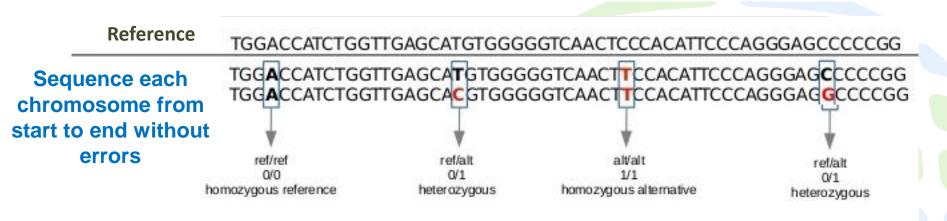






### Calling SNVs and InDels - dream future?





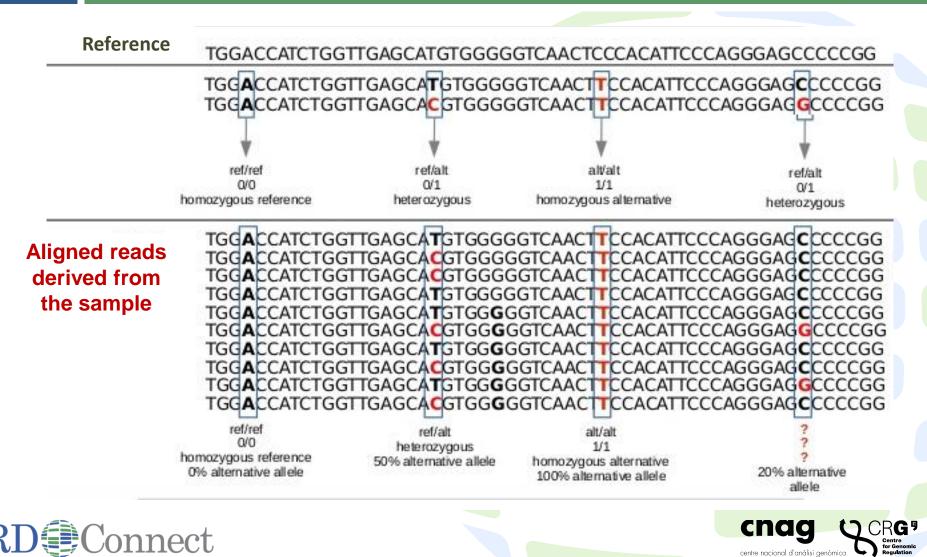






## Calling SNVs and InDels – back to reality

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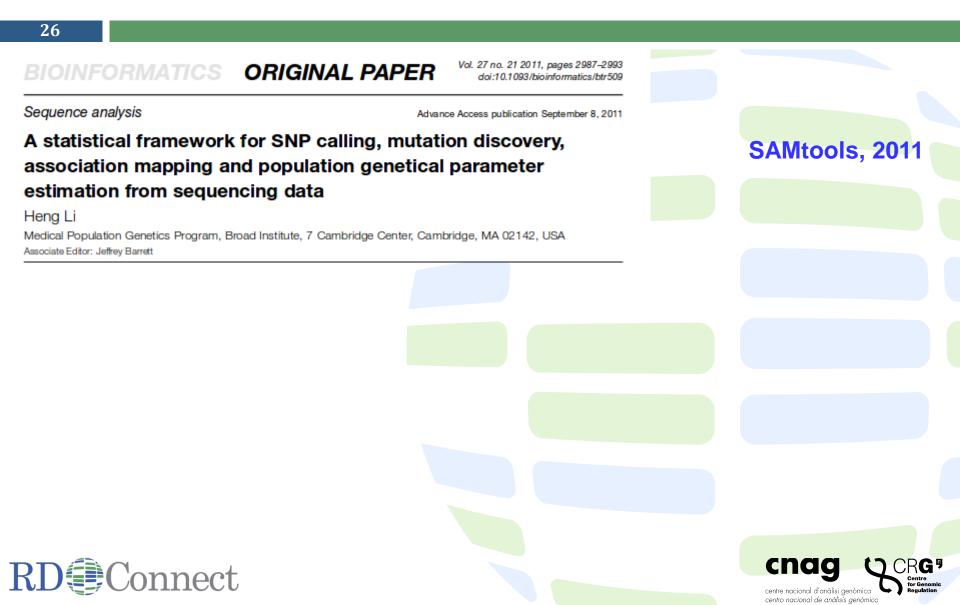
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- Currently, you will always encounter some false positives, and some false negatives





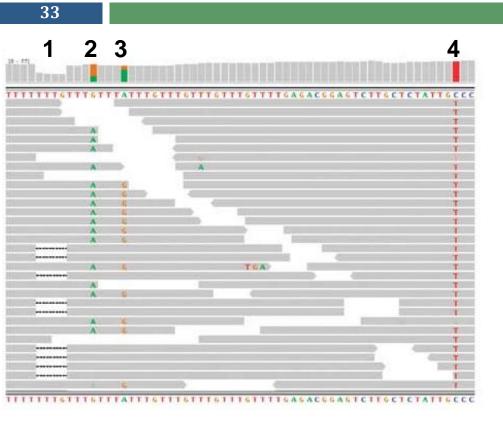


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  - There are 3 key metrics that can give us a good idea as to whether to trust a variant call
    - > Read Depth (DP)
      - > A general rule is the deeper, the better ideally >20 supporting reads
    - > Genotype Quality (GQ)
      - A value produced by variant calling algorithms indicating the probability that the call is wrong. Scaled from 1-99 (30 means 1/1000)
    - > Allele Balance (aka. Alternative/Beta Allele frequency)
      - > For heterozygote positions this should be close to 0.5
        - > 0.25-0.75 is generally reliable
        - <0.15 or >0.85 is highly suspicious
      - For homozygote positions this should be very close to 0 or 1

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# InDel identification



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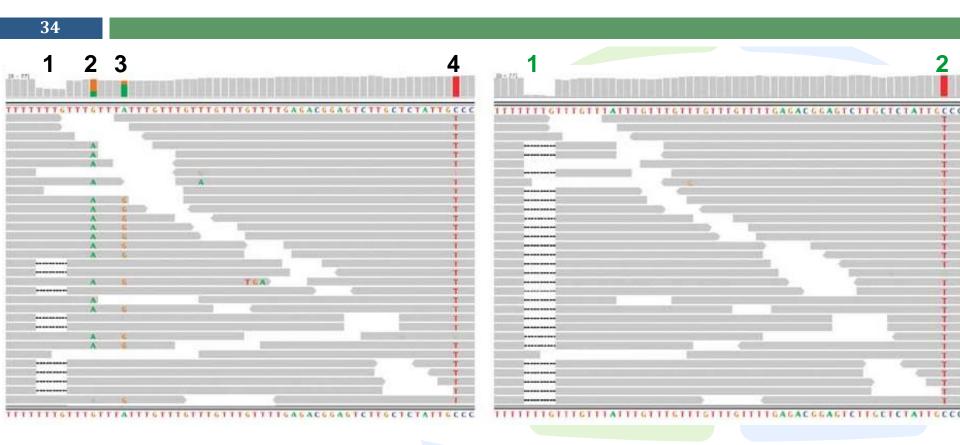
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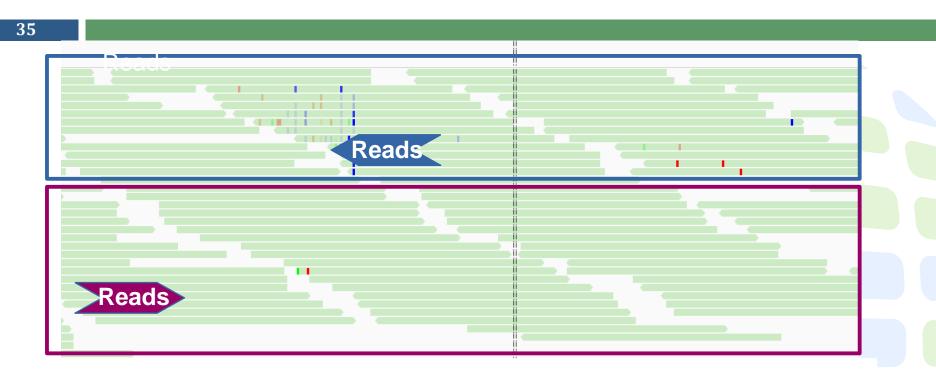
### **Following GATK** local realignment



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GATK: FS field (Phred-scaled p-value)

SAMtools: PV4 field (p-value)

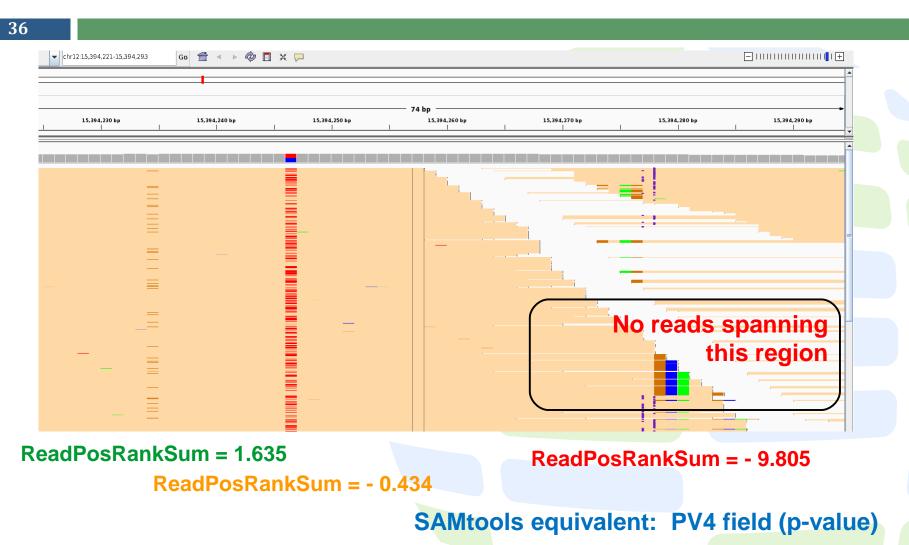






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# Tail Distance/Variant Position Bias







## NIST/GIAB – Analyses of NA12878

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- The NIST is attempting to produce "Gold Standard" call sets for all variants in NA12878, and other samples, through integration of results from a variety of pipelines

Integrating human sequence data sets provides a resource of benchmark SNP and indel genotype calls

Justin M Zook, Brad Chapman, Jason Wang, David Mittelman, Oliver Hofmann, Winston Hide & Marc Salit

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NA12878 50xWGS FastQs (Illumina Platinum), analysed with several pipelines. Concordance with **Gold Standard VC set** from GIAB/NIST (Zook *et al.*, 2014) **for the reliably-callable region of the genome (70%)** 

Dataset	Total calls	Specificity	Sensitivity
Whole genome SNVs			
NIST v2.18 Gold Standard	2,740,732		
BWA-MEM-MEM + FreeBayes	2,744,545	0.99769	0.99908
BWA-MEM + HaplotypeCaller	2,748,582	0.99631	0.99916
BWA-MEM + SAMtools fast	2,748,866	0.99622	0.99918
BWA-MEM + SAMtools normal	2,736,410	0.99871	0.99714
GEM3 + FreeBayes	2,742,937	0.99732	0.99812
GEM3 + HaplotypeCaller	2,745,423	0.99745	0.99915
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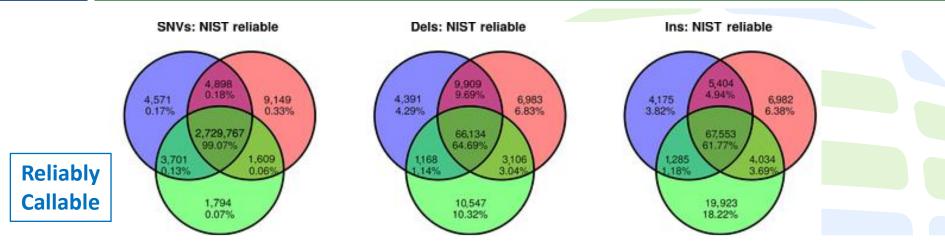
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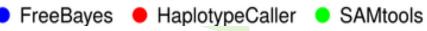
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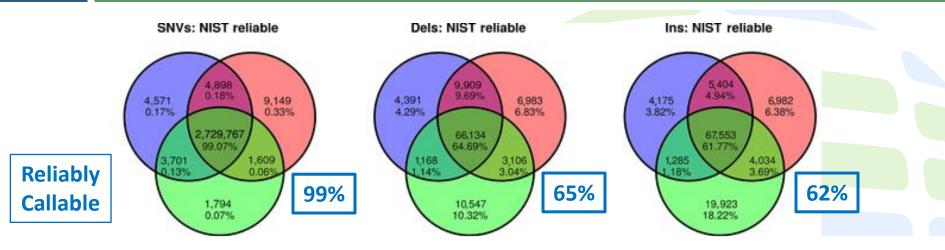


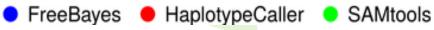
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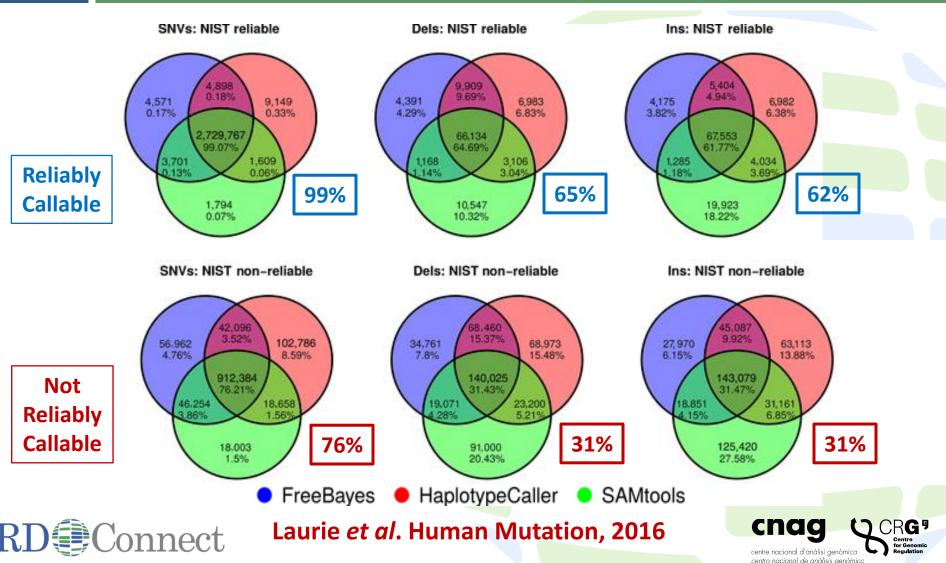
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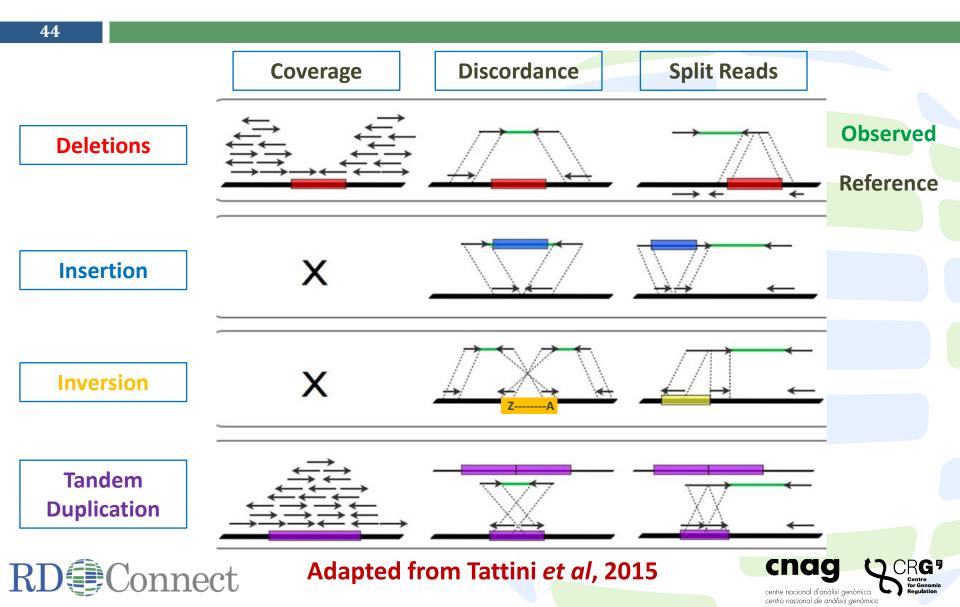
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- There are 3 main classes of signal that tools use when attempting to identify the presence of a Copy Number or Structural Variant
  - > Discordant Read Pair Mapping
    - The gap between the two reads is significantly longer/shorter than expected 
      Insertion or deletion respectively
    - $\succ$  The orientation of the reads is different from that expected  $\rightarrow$  inversion
  - Split Read Mapping
    - > The ends of an individual read map to different locations
  - > Depth of Coverage (Read Count) Metrics
    - ➤ The depth of coverage in a particular region is significantly more than, or less than expected → copy number gain or copy number loss respectively





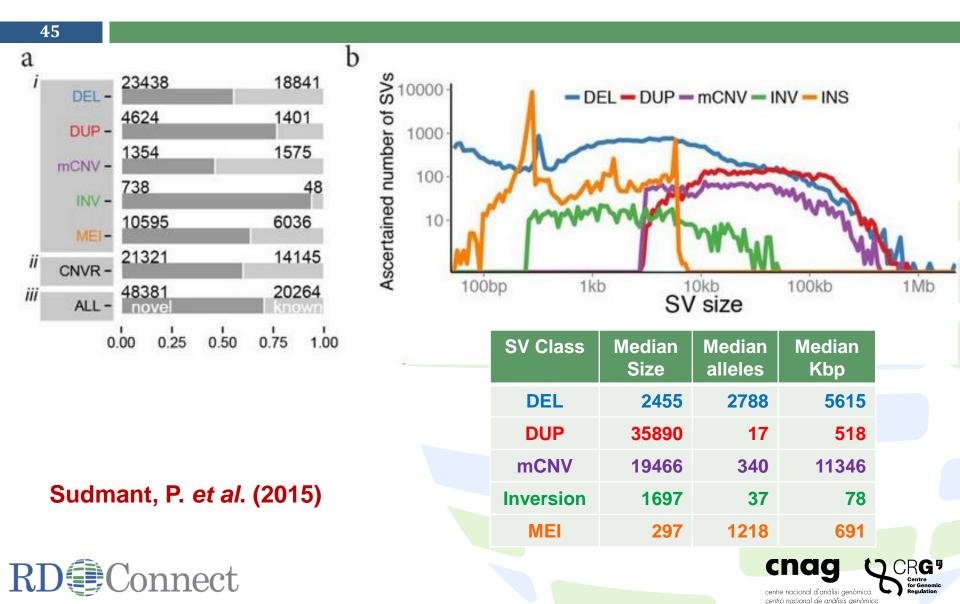


## Calling CNVs and SVs – The Signals





## Calling CNVs and SVs - overview





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  - > GenomeSTRiP

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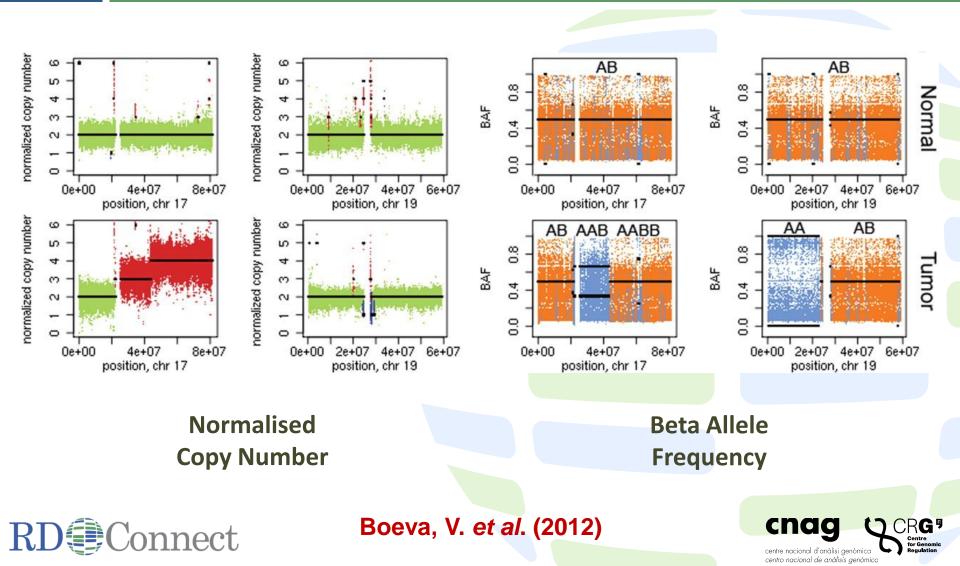


- In general easier than for WES data
- Can typically be used on a single sample
- Account for sources of bias such as GC content, and low complexity regions
- Sensitive to stochastic coverage effects

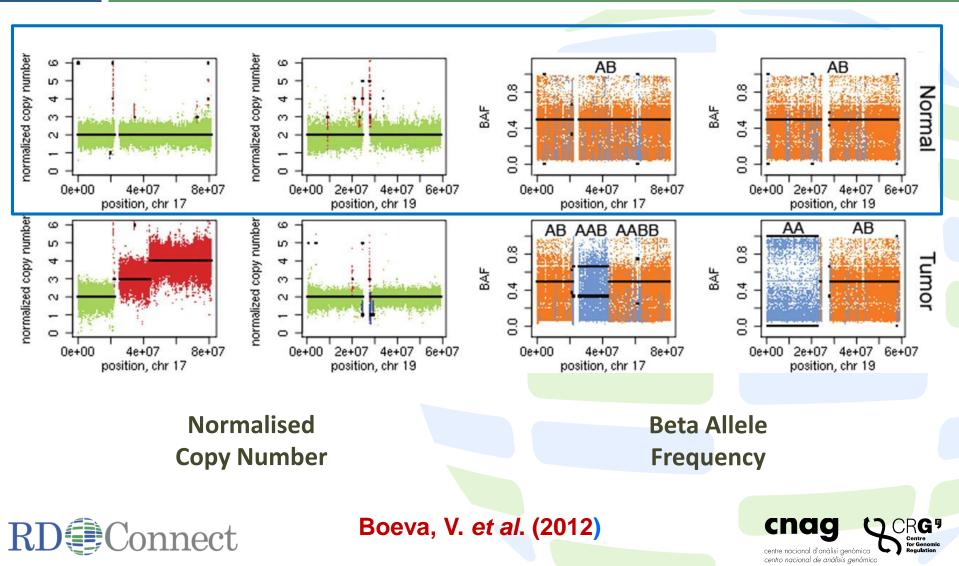






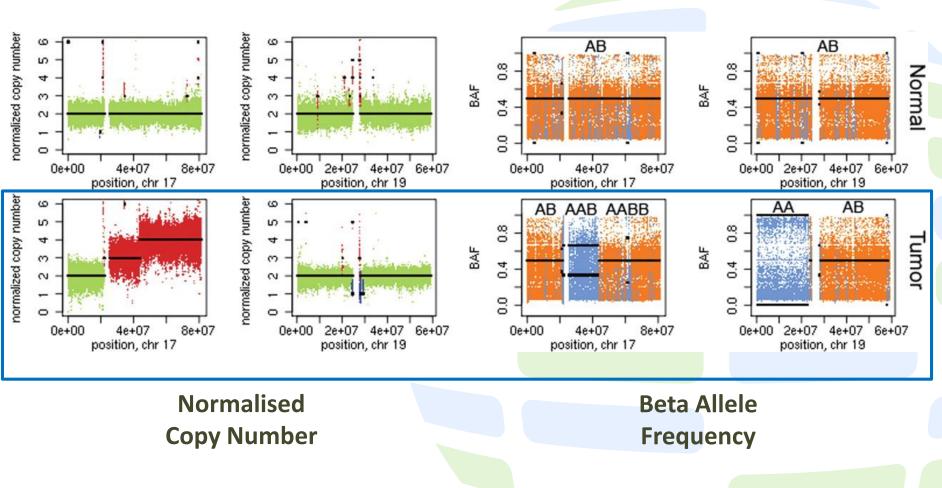








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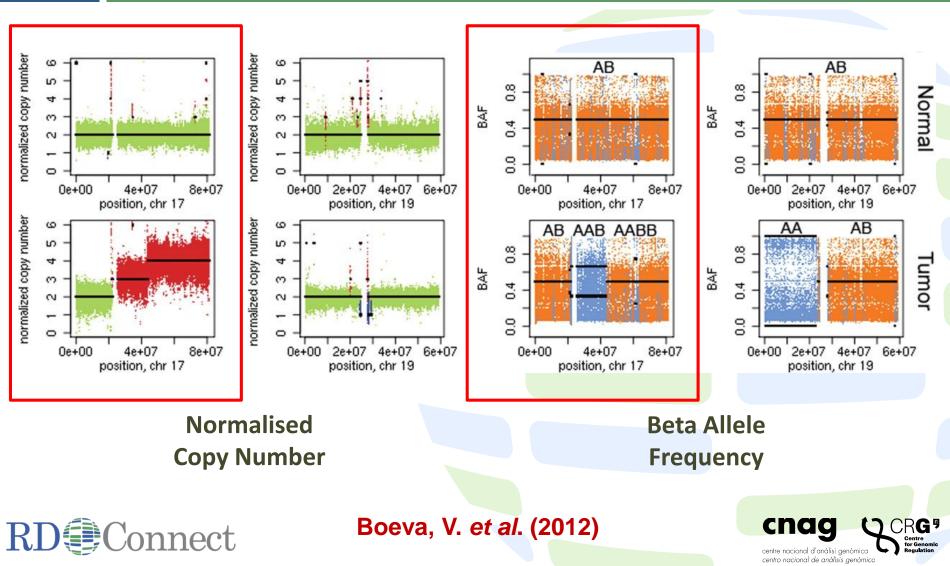


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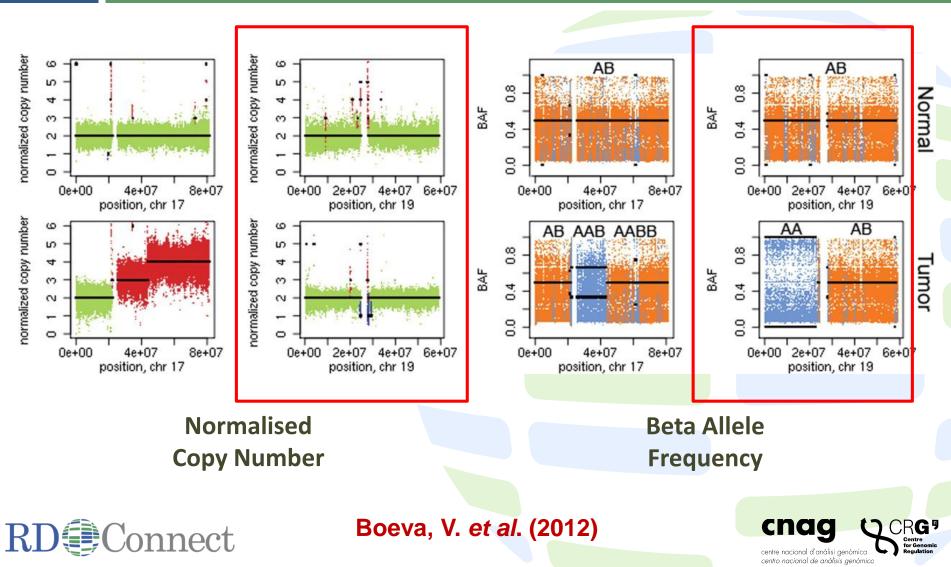
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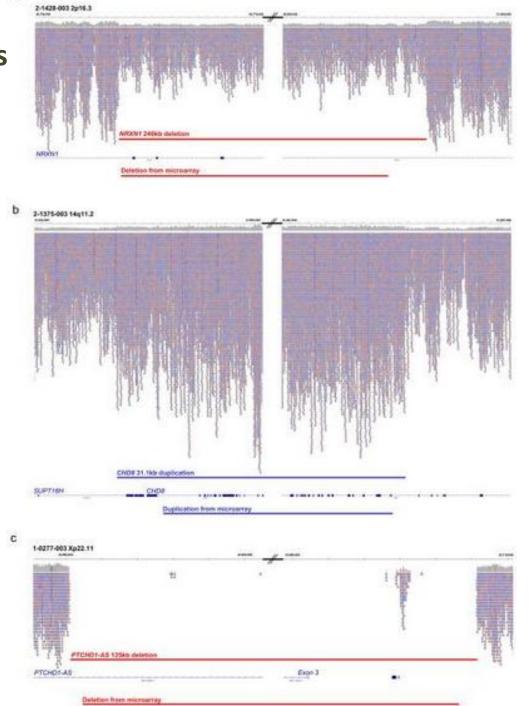








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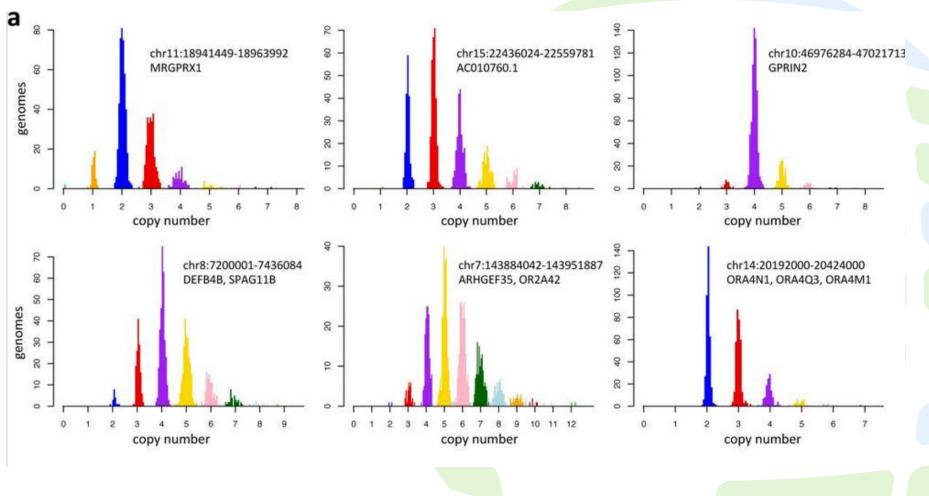
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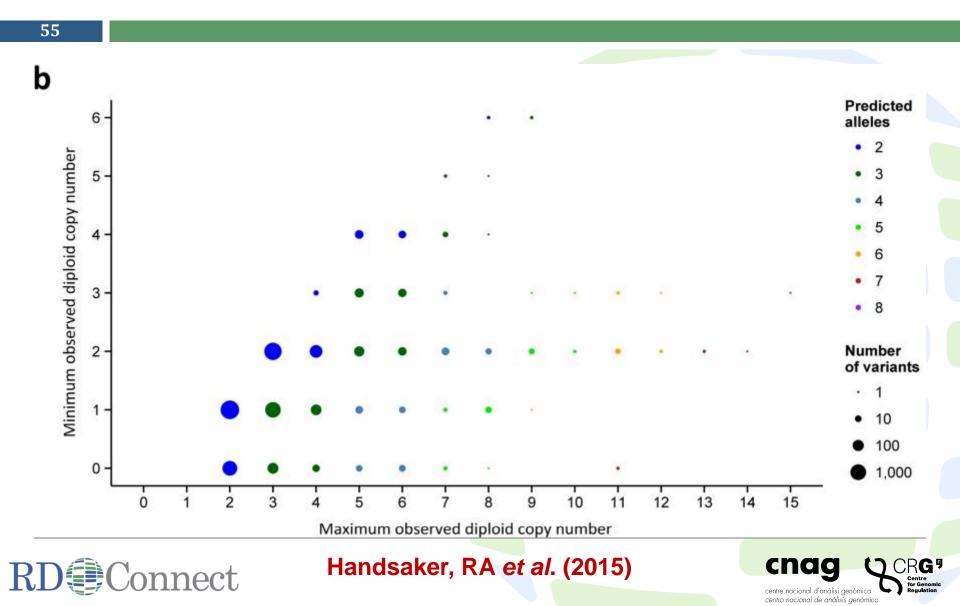
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## Calling CNVs from WES data

- Unlike WGS data, WES data is discontinuous meaning it is
- virtually impossible to detect large SVs, other than large deletions
- The discontinuity also makes it difficult, but not impossible to detect Copy Number Variants. Most tools require a minimum of 3 exons to be affected to make a reliable call
- Detection is further complicated by the fact that coverage is not uniformly distributed across the capture regions, with peaks in the middle, dropping off to the sides







## Mapped reads viewed in IGV

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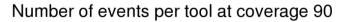
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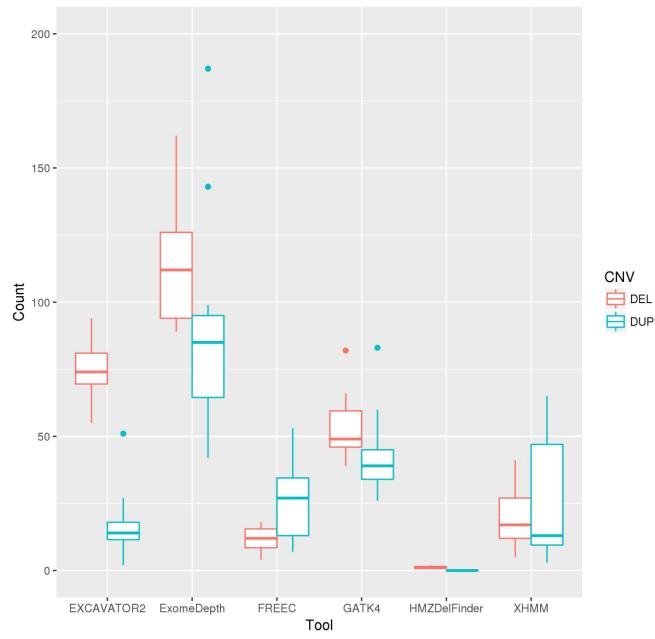
- Popular tools include
  - > ExomeDepth (1 versus 10)
  - > Conifer (All v All 8+)
  - > XHMM (All v All rare)
- Other notable options
  - Control-FreeC (ongoing development)
  - GATK-4 (Coming soon ...)
  - For all tools, the more standardised your data, the better they will perform i.e. Capture kit, sequencing depth, sequencing lab etc.

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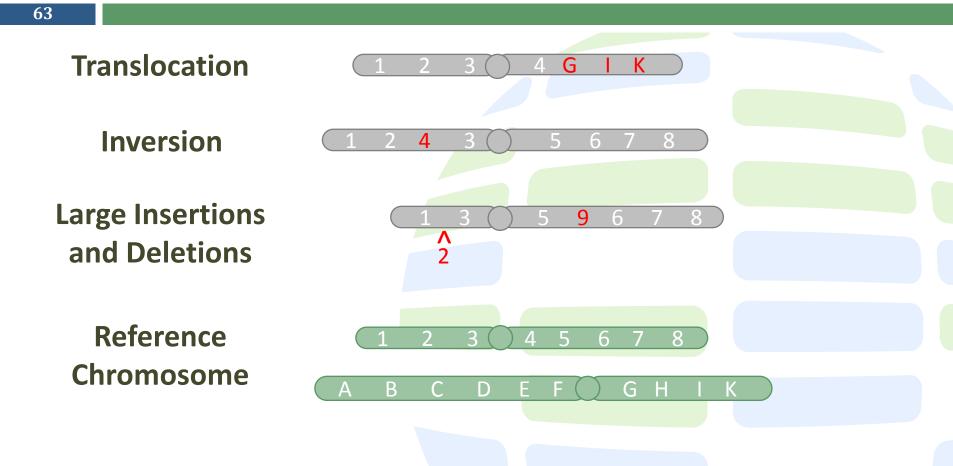
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## Large Structural Variant Classes



In principle should be easy – lots of signal 😳





cxSV Subclass	Abbreviation	SVs	Validation Rate	Total Observations	Subjects with ≥ 1 SV	Median Size (kb)	DEL DUP INS INV	Rearrangement Schematic	Simulated Copy Number Profile
Inversion with 5' Flanking Deletion	dellNV	38	100% (19/19)	2,301	99.7%	12.2	••	5' ref. DEL INV ref. 3'	+1 0- 
Inversion with 3' Flanking Deletion	INVdel	40	100% (19/19)	2,242	100.0%	9.3	• •	5'ref. → DEL ref. 3'	+1 0-2014 Freezen for the former of the form
Paired-Deletion Inversion	dellNVdel	58	96% (25/26)	2,288	98.0%	15.2	• •	5' ref. DEL INV DEL ref. 3'	+1 0- <b>2</b> 2555757567 -1 <b>255257575</b>
Inversion with 5' Flanking Duplication	dupINV	7	75% (3/4)	62	8.7%	54.6	<b>♦</b>	5' ref. DUP INV ref. 3'	+1 0-2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/2007/99/200 -1
Inversion with 3' Flanking Duplication	INVdup	3	100% (1/1)	6	0.9%	82.9	<b>♦</b>	5' ref. 00 PUP ref. 3'	+1 0-555223556566666666666666666666666666666
Paired-Duplication Inversion	dupINVdup	45	96% (27/28)	151	19.0%	112.5	<b>♦</b>	5'RBUPRUPRUPS'S'	+1 0-255525662 - 25555562 -1
Inversion with 5' Flanking Duplication and 3' Flanking Deletion	duplNVdel	6	100% (2/2)	9	1.3%	27.3	<b>♦                                    </b>	5' ref. DUP INV A B DEL ref. 3'	+1 0-2005/2009/2009/2009/2009/2009/2009/2009/
Inversion with 5' Flanking Deletion and 3' Flanking Duplication	dellNVdup	10	100% (5/5)	90	12.2%	67.5	<b>♦                                    </b>	5' ref. DEL NV DUP ref. 3'	+1 0-5000-5500
Inverted Duplication with Flanking Triplication	dupTRIPdup-INV	5	100% (5/5)	5	0.7%	113.9	$\diamond \diamond \diamond$	5' ref. DUP INV TRIP ref. 3'	*2 +1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -
Inverted Repeat / Inverted Tandem Duplication	IR	11	88% (7/8)	36	5.1%	73.8	<b>♦</b>	5' ref. DUP INV ref. 3'	+1 0- <b>5</b> 824758657546546474587 -1
Compound CNV	cpdCNV	22	100% (17/17)	2,085	99.4%	29.1	• •	Va	arious
Dispersed Duplication	dDUP	10	100% (2/2)	42	6.1%	17.5	<b>♦</b>	5' ref. A' ref. 3'	+1 0
Dispersed Duplication with Deletion	dDUPdel	9	100% (4/4)	60	8.5%	32.1	<b>* * *</b>	5' ref. DUP A ref. DEL A' ref. 3' INS	+1 0-555711050-597557110/05555555555 -1
Insertion with Deletion	INSdel	4	100% (1/1)	12	1.7%	5.9	••	5' <u>ref.</u> A <u>ref.</u> <u>B</u> INS	*1 0
Compound Insertion	cpdINS	5	100% (2/2)	251	36.0%	3.1	••	Va	arious ————
Compound Insertion with Deletion	cpdINSdel	1	NA (0/0)	5	0.7%	9.6	<b>* * *</b>	Va	arious
Compound/Complex Rearrangement (or Other)	CCR	15	100% (11/11)	21	3.1%	239.8		Various	
All cxSV	_	289	97% (150/154)	9,666 (14/subject)	100.0%	27.3	DEL: 61.8%	DUP: 47.8% INV: 84.8% INS: 11.8%	

## Collins, RL et al. (2017)



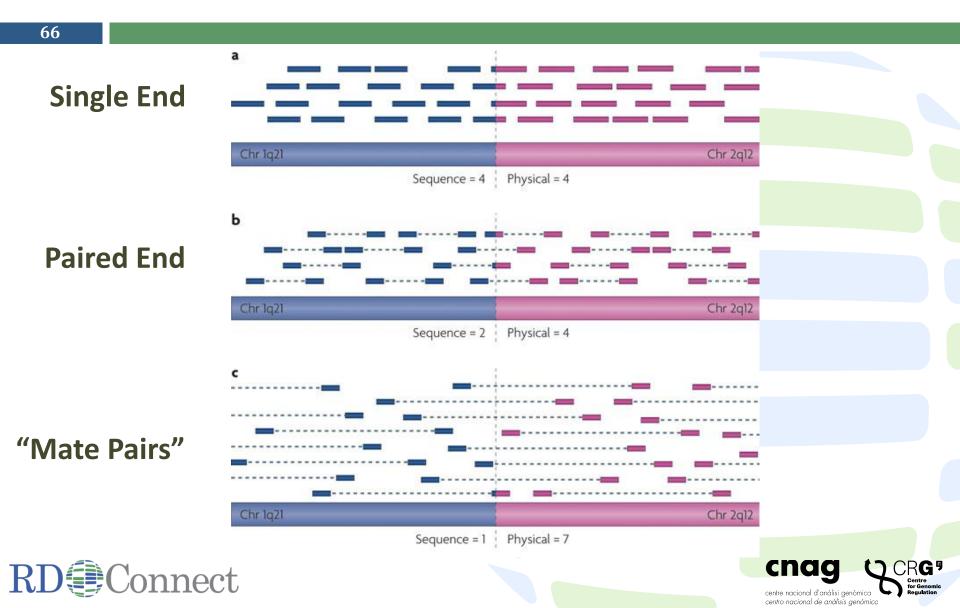
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- Most tools have been tailored to best identify specific classes of SV
  - Therefore may want to use more than one tool
- More recently developed tools tend to look at more than one type of evidence, and thus can call different classes
- To optimise discovery of SVs, ideally want to use a mix of library strategies and/or technologies i.e. short-read and long-read simultaneously





## Large Structural Variants – WGS





## Other interesting topics

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- Assembly approaches to structural variant detection
- Long read technologies e.g. PacBio and Oxford Nanopore
- Somatic variant calling
- Balance cytogenic abnormalities

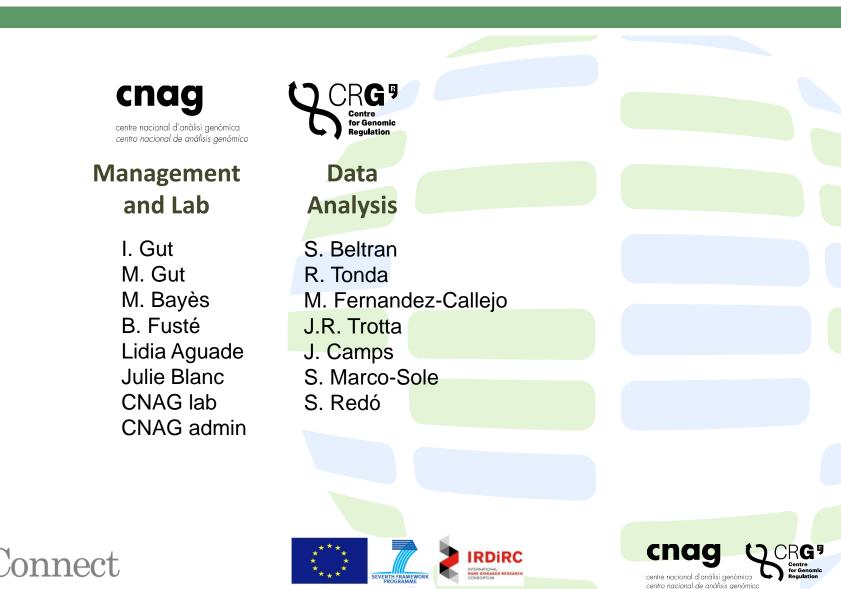






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