



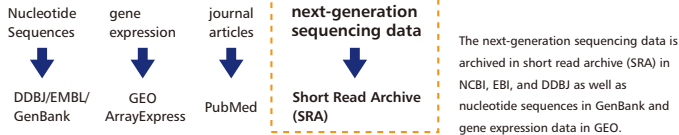
Functional indexing and curation of next-generation sequencing data

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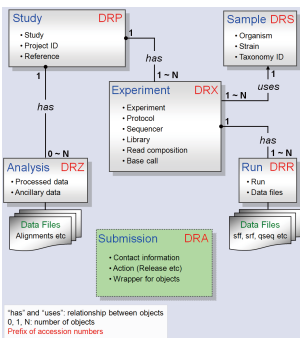
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Backgrounds and motivations



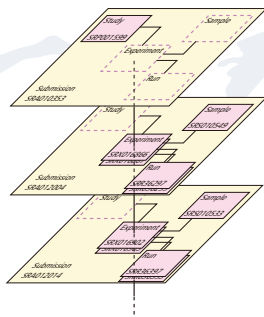
The data structure of SRA



The deposited NGS data contains not only short read sequences but also conditions of experiments including project title, species or cell line names of samples, and sequencing platforms as a meta data. The meta data consists of six files with XML format: submission, study, experiment, run, sample, and analysis.

However, each submission has not all of those meta data because additional experiments or runs to be assigned to a previous project are often performed and reposted as a new submission.

Submission	Study	Experiment	Run	Sample	Analysis
✓		✓			7066
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1545
✓		✓			500
✓		✓	✓		228
✓				✓	142
✓					139
✓	✓				106
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89
✓	✓	✓	✓		33
✓	✓	✓	✓		18
✓	✓	✓	✓		17
✓				✓	2
✓		✓			1
✓		✓			1
total					9887



Methods

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We made connections among each type of corresponding metadata by extracting accession numbers assigned as a reference from XML files. We also obtained informations of experiments such as titles and platforms from each XML files.

Results and Discussions

Statistics

Study Types

Whole Genome Sequencing	1366
Transcriptome Analysis	463
Metagenomics	390
Epigenetics	198
Other	110
Resequencing	70
Gene Regulation Study	19
Population Genomics	17
RNASeq	12
Cancer Genomics	10
Forensic or Paleo-genomics	2
Synthetic Genomics	1
Total	2658

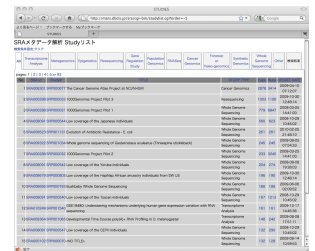
Platforms

Illumina Genome Analyzer II	11727
454 GS FLX	4321
Illumina Genome Analyzer	3058
Solexa 1G Genome Analyzer	1481
454 Titanium	1314
unspecified	923
GS FLX	822
AB SOLiD System 3.0	187
GS 2.0	164
AB SOLiD System 2.0	158
454 GS 20	98
AB SOLiD System	76
Helicos HeliScope	14
454 GS	9
Total	24352

Species of samples (top 12)

Human Metagenome	76656
Homo sapiens	2380
Human	1051
Mus musculus	757
Drosophila melanogaster	609
Plasmodium falciparum	591
human metagenome	400
Oryza sativa Indica Group	240
human skin metagenome	178
Metagenomic	160
Caenorhabditis elegans	150
Arabidopsis thaliana	137
...	
Total	93157

Data visualization



jump to the NCBI SRA site
jump to the corresponding experiments list
jump to the corresponding runs list

We developed an index site of NGS data as yellow pages to make NGS data more searchable and re-usable. This service shows a project list, and corresponding lists of experiments and runs by clicking the numbers of assigned experiments and runs. Researchers can also restrict the study entries by types of the interests such as transcriptome analysis or whole genome sequencing. This web service is freely available on <http://mars.dbcls.jp/sra/>.

The information described in meta data contains errors and spelling variation such as "Homo sapiens" and "human" because the information was originally written by researchers who provided corresponding short read sequences. We will curate extracted informations by correcting these misspellings and disambiguate spelling variations.

Conclusions

- The next-generation sequencing (NGS) data is archived in short read archive (SRA) and the archived data contains not only short read sequences but also the conditions of experiments as a meta data.
- Additional experiments and runs are often deposited as a new submission. We therefore made connections among submissions by extracting accession numbers as a reference from XML files.
- We developed an index site of NGS data as yellow pages and the service is available on <http://mars.dbcls.jp/sra/>.

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