Visualizing genomic rearrangements with the UCSC Genome Browser snakes display

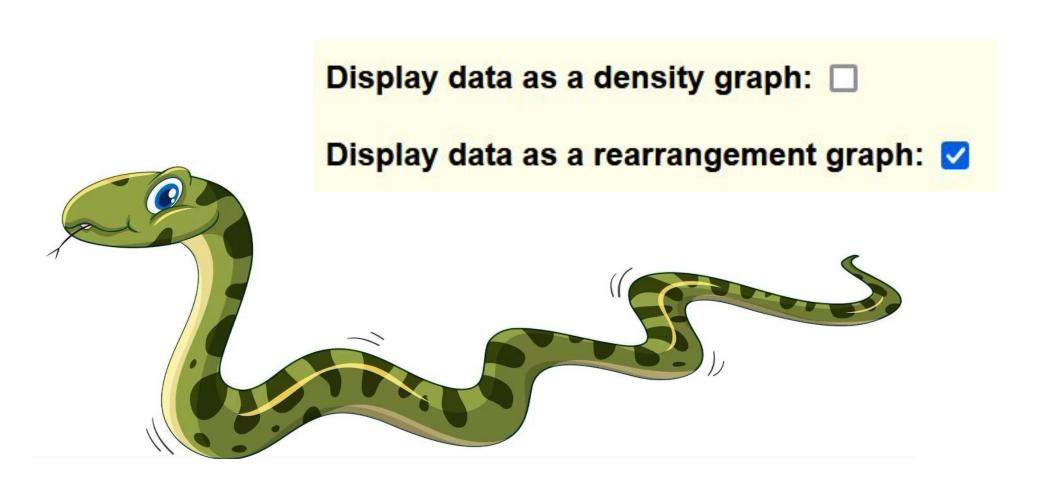
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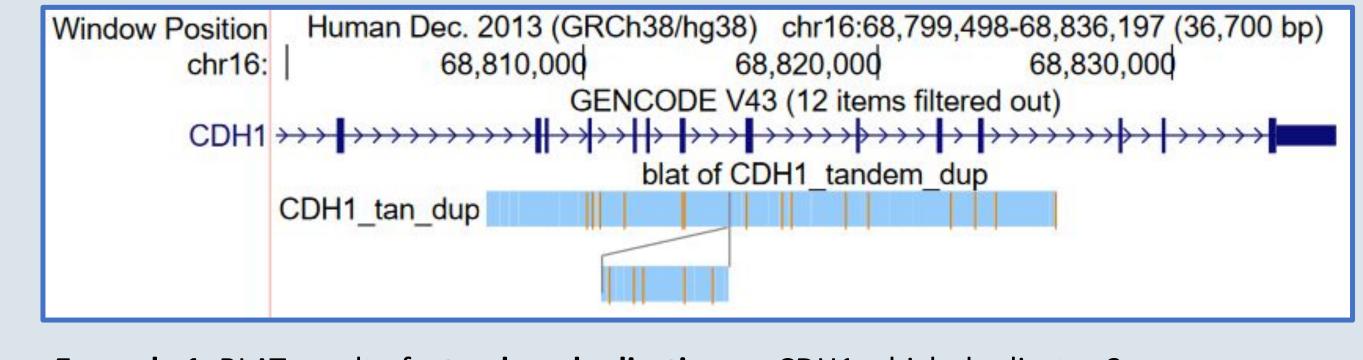
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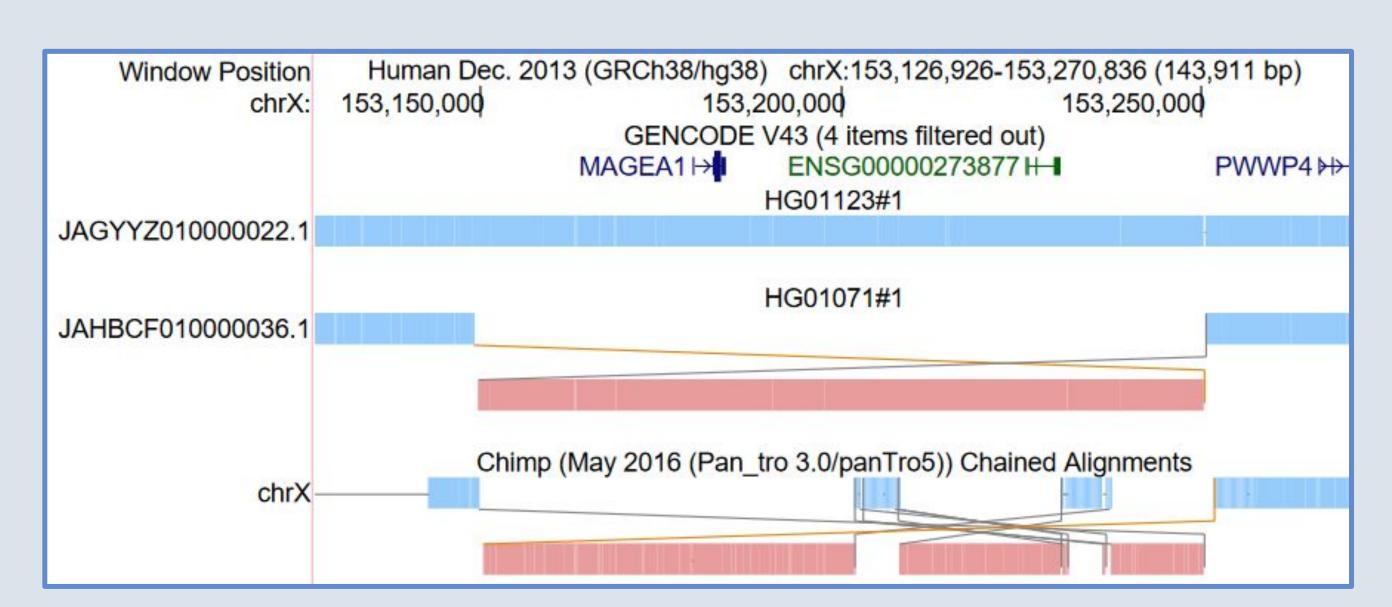
The UCSC Genome Browser's new **snakes rearrangements display** provides a more intuitive visualization of pairwise genome alignments that builds on its existing 'chains' display. New features include:

- All aligning segments are now connected by lines in the order that they appear on the target genome
- Tiles connected by grey lines represent deleted or missing DNA in target genome
- Tiles connected by **orange lines** represent **insertions** in the target genome
- Mismatched bases are represented as orange ticks
- Matches on the target (+) strand are blue, and matches on the (-) strand are rose
- Snakes rearrangement display is available for chain and PSL data types, which includes Genome Browser **BLAT results**.
- This display can be switched on from the **track description page** of any eligible track type

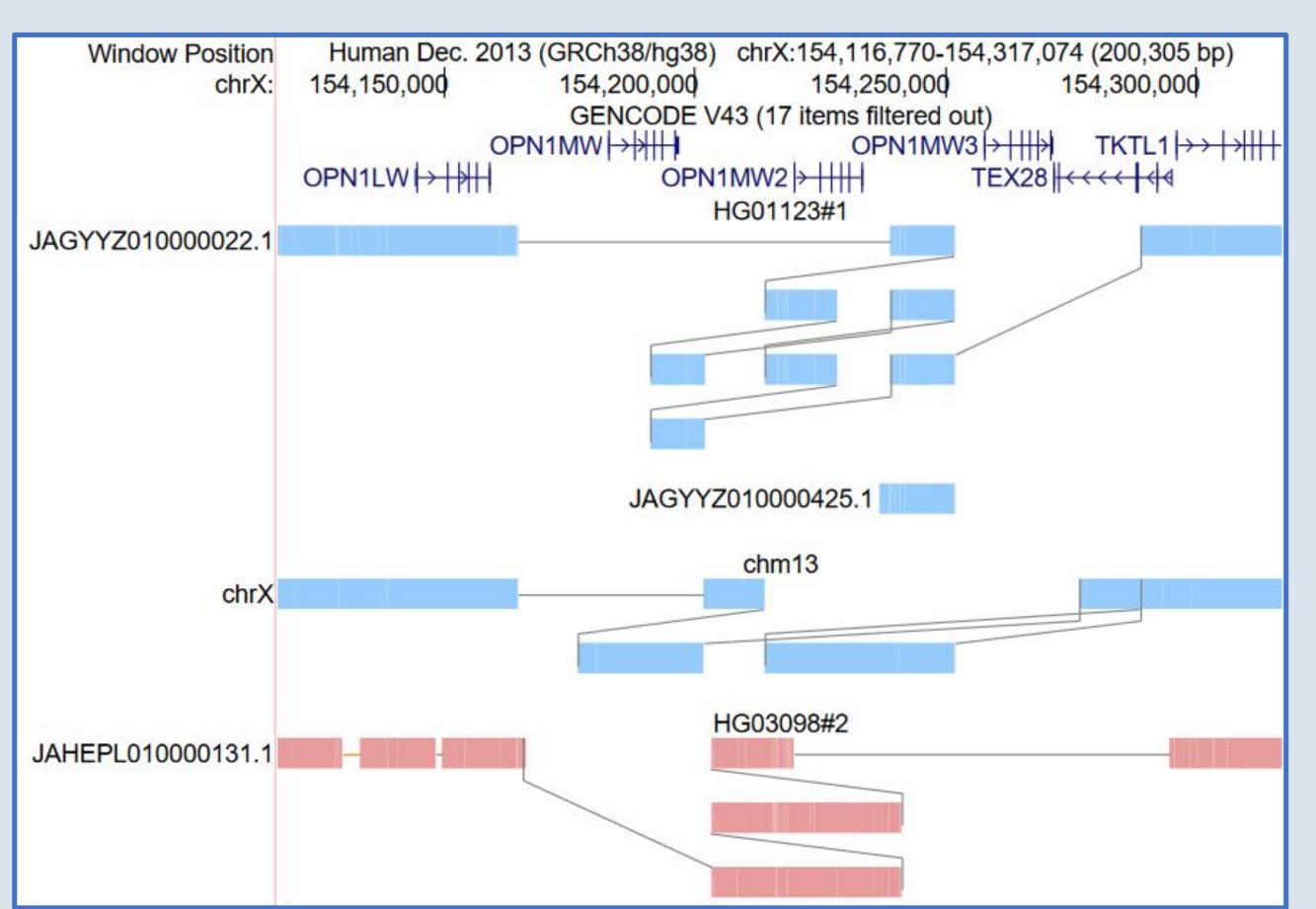




Example 1. BLAT result of a **tandem duplication** on CDH1 which duplicates 3 exons.



Example 2. Polymorphic **inversion** in human populations that occurred after the split from chimp.

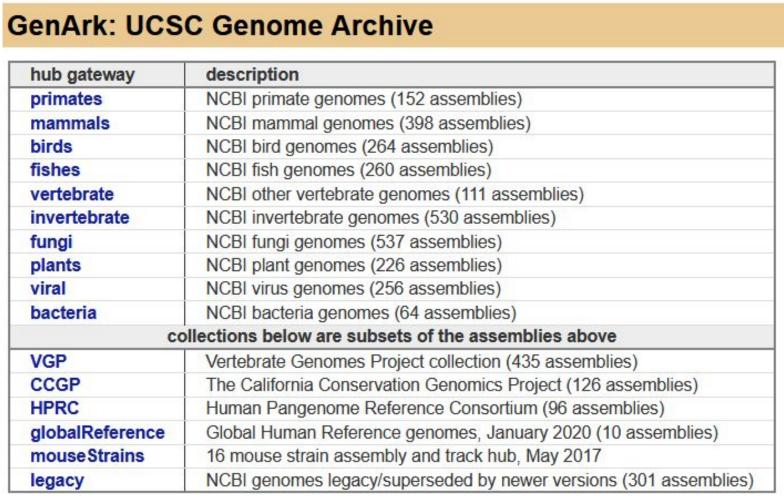


Example 3. Tandem opsin gene cluster showing different humans with varying rearrangements containing different number and order of genes, including a fusion in HG01123 (top) and inversions in HG03098 (bot). This highly variable rearrangement region on chrX can result in color blindness.

GenArk: Genomic Archive

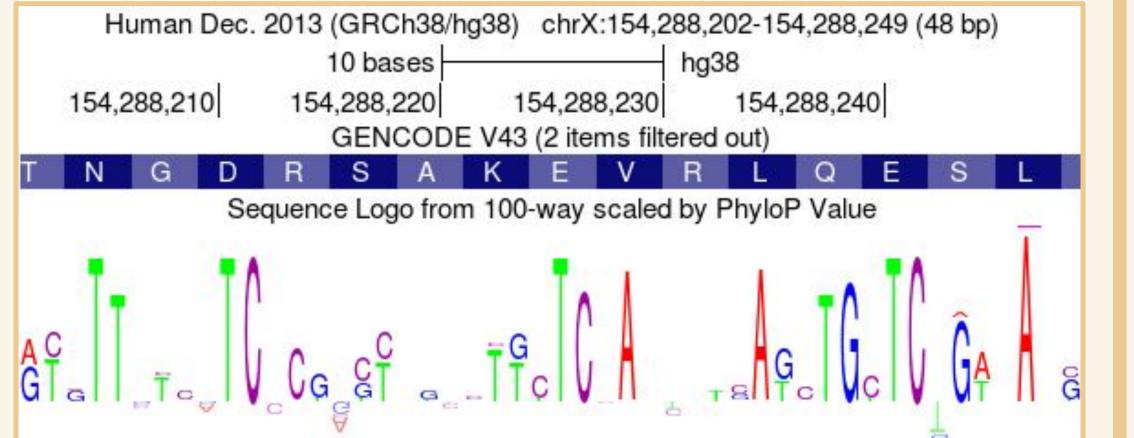
GenArk (https://hgdownload.soe.ucsc.edu/hubs/) is a collection of genome browser assemblies from NCBI resources "RefSeq" and "GenBank". It currently includes over **3,100 genomes** ready to display.

Have a genome you would like to visualize? Use our **assembly request** page (https://genome.ucsc.edu/assemblyRequest.html)!



Please note: text file listing of 3102 genome assembly hubs

Other new visualizations



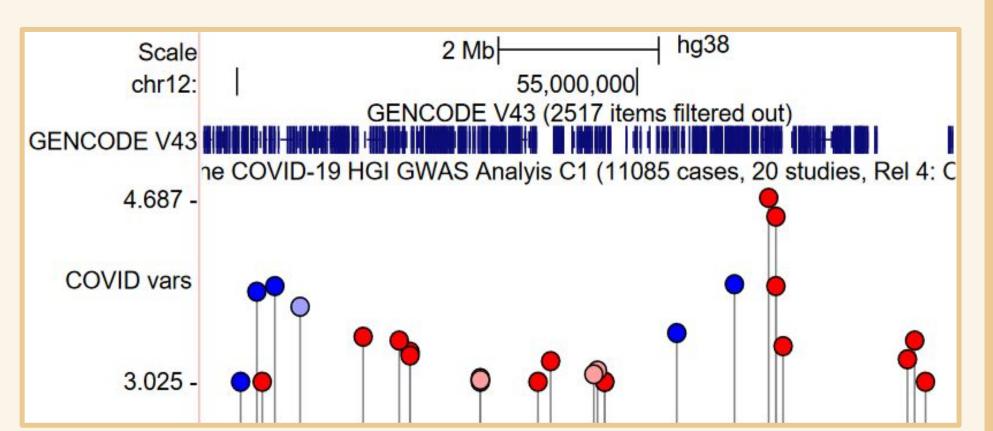
Dynseq logo display. Dynseq display scales nucleotide characters by user-specified, base-resolution scores and was developed by the Kundaje Lab. Frequently used to convey nucleotide conservation.

Learn more: https://genome.ucsc.edu/goldenpath/help/bigWig.html#Ex4

bigLolly display. The bigLolly (lollipop) display allows for customization of height, color, and radius of the item. Frequently used in variant display.

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