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An Accessible Guide that Introduces Students in All Areas of Life Sciences to Bioinformatics

Basic Applied Bioinformatics provides practical guidance in bioinformatics and helps students to optimize parameters for data analysis and then to draw accurate conclusions from the results. In addition to parameter optimization, the text will also familiarize students with relevant terminology. Basic Applied Bioinformatics is written as an accessible guide for graduate students studying bioinformatics, biotechnology, and other related sub-disciplines of the life sciences.

This text outlines the basics of bioinformatics, including pertinent information such as downloading molecular sequences (nucleotide and protein) from databases; BLAST analyses; primer designing and its quality checking, multiple sequence alignment (global and local using freely available software); phylogenetic tree construction (using UPGMA, NJ, MP, ME, FM algorithm and MEGA7 suite), prediction of protein structures and genome annotation, RNASeq data analyses and identification of differentially expressed genes and similar advanced bioinformatics analyses. The authors, Chandra Sekhar Mukhopadhyay, Ratan Kumar Choudhary, and Mir Asif Iquebal are noted experts in the field and have come together to provide updated information on bioinformatics.

Salient features of this book include:

- Accessible and updated information on bioinformatics tools
- A practical step-by-step approach to molecular-data analyses
- Information pertinent to study a variety of disciplines including biotechnology, zoology, bioinformatics and other related fields
- · Worked examples, glossary terms, problems and solutions.

Basic Applied Bioinformatics gives students studying bioinformatics, agricultural biotechnology, animal biotechnology, medical biotechnology, microbial biotechnology, and zoology an updated introduction to the growing field of bioinformatics.

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Preface

Bioinformatics, a discipline that attempts to make predictions about biological functions using data from molecular sequence (nucleotide and protein) analysis and involves application of information science to biology has, over the years, evolved exponentially in the genomics era. Today it has become an indispensable component of biological science, including its application in a number of applied areas.

There has long been a need among students and researchers for a primer book on the application of bioinformatics tools in various spheres of veterinary and agricultural sciences. This being the era of multi-tasking, research workers who do not possess a background in computer or bioinformatics often stumble over *in silico* analysis of molecular data. This book provides practical know-how for graduate students of bioinformatics, biotechnology and other streams of biological science, and also for those who need to learn bio-computational analyses of the large volume of molecular data that is being generated in thousands of laboratories throughout the world.

The topics considered in this book are the basic ones that a student or researcher of the fields above should know. In addition, this book covers the syllabi of the graduate or undergraduate course called "Introduction to Bioinformatics" (or course name similar to that) that is offered in several universities. Some of the chapters, covering areas such as genome annotation in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, an overview of microarray data analysis, use of MISA for microsatellite sequence identification and SNP mining, have also been introduced for out-of-the-box applications.

In general, the book serves as a reference book for those working in biocomputational research and studies. The contents of this book cover wider areas of bioinformatics. Several freely available software tools (online or offline) are available, and students and researchers can use them for *in silico* analysis. However, in some instances, students become stuck while optimizing parameters for data analysis and drawing appropriate inferences. Also, they are often not familiar with several terminologies. This book explains steps for parameter optimization of the tools being used, as well as the basic terminologies. The results obtained have been explained, to demonstrate how inferences are drawn.

This book can also serve as a practical manual for the elucidation of critical steps, with annotation and explanation. It begins with basic aspects of bioinformatics, including frequently used terminology, concept development, handling molecular sequences,

BLAST analyses, primer designing, phylogenetic tree construction, prediction of protein structures and genome annotation. In the last few chapters, some advanced topics of bioinformatics have been covered, such as analysis of transcriptome data, identification of differentially expressed genes and prediction of microRNA targets.

Each chapter demonstrates the steps with an example, which involves stepwise elucidation of the procedures and explanation of the obtained results. The practical methodology is depicted with screenshots of the software being used, along with legends to explain the screenshot view. New terminologies introduced in some chapters have been provided. Additionally, four or five questions are given at the end of each chapter, with any hints which are deemed to be required for some questions.

We believe that there could be some unintentional mistakes remaining in this book. We sincerely request the reader to apprise the editors for typographical or other errors, if found. It is very common that the version of molecular sequences in public repository is updated over time, or sometimes one or more sequence entries are deleted. The readers are requested to update the editors about such changes. Similarly, the uniform resource locators (URLs) of the websites containing bioinformatics tools or databases can change suddenly. We will be careful to update these changes in the next edition of the book. Readers are also requested to assist us in this regard.

It is hoped that this book will be a useful primer for beginners of this fast-expanding field.

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List of Abbreviations

AFLP <u>amplified fragment length polymorphism</u>

ASCII <u>American Standard Code for Information Interchange</u>

BAC <u>bacterial artificial chromosome</u>

BAM <u>binary alignment/map</u>

BIC <u>Bayesian information criterion</u>
BLAST <u>basic local alignment search tool</u>
BWA <u>Burrows-Wheeler algorithm</u>
BWT Burrows-Wheeler transformation

cDNA complementary DNA

CINEMA <u>color interactive editor for multiple alignments</u>

cRNA <u>c</u>omplementary <u>RNA</u>

dbGaP <u>database of genotypes and phenotypes</u>

dbVar <u>database of variation</u>
DDBJ <u>DNA data bank of Japan</u>
DEG differentially expressed genes

DNA <u>deoxyribonucleic acid</u>
DP <u>dynamic programming</u>

EMBL <u>European Molecular Biology Laboratory</u>

EST <u>expressed sequence tag</u>

ExPASy expert protein analysis system F81 model Felsenstein (1981) model

FASTA <u>fast</u> <u>a</u>ll

FDQN <u>fully quantified domain name</u>

FPKM <u>fragment per kilobase of exon per million mappable reads</u>

GATK genome analysis toolkit

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{gi or GI} & \text{gene } \underline{\text{identity}} \\ \text{GO} & \text{gene } \underline{\text{o}} \text{ntology} \end{array}$

GOR <u>Garnier</u>, <u>O</u>sguthorpe, and <u>R</u>obson

GSS genome survey sequence
GTF gene transfer format

GTR generalized time-reversible GUI graphical user interface

GWAS genome-wide association studies

HKY85 model Hasegawa, Kishino and Yano (1985) model

IBL <u>internal branch length</u>
InDels <u>insertion and deletions</u>

INSDC International Nucleotide Sequence Database Collaboration

IUPAC <u>International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry</u>

JALVIEW Java alignment viewer

JC69 model Jukes and Cantor (1969) model

K80 model <u>Kimura (1980)</u> model

MACAW <u>multiple alignment construction and analysis workbench</u>

MAFFT <u>multiple alignment using fast Fourier transform</u>

ME <u>minimum evolution</u>

MEGA molecular evolution and genetic analysis

MISA <u>microsatellite</u> identification tool

ML <u>maximum likelihood</u>
MP <u>maximum parsimony</u>

MSA <u>multiple sequence alignment</u>

MSRE <u>methylation sensitive restriction enzymes</u>

MUSCLE <u>multiple sequence comparison by log-expectation</u>

mYa <u>million years ago</u>

NBRF <u>National Biomedical Research Foundation</u>
NCBI <u>National Center for Biotechnology Information</u>

NGS next-generation sequencing

NJ <u>n</u>eighbor joining

NWA Needleman–Wunsch algorithm

ORF <u>open reading frame</u>

OTU operational taxonomic unit

PDB protein data bank

pI/MW isoelectric point to molecular weight ratio

PIR protein information resource
PSD protein sequence database
PWMs position weight matrices

RCSB Research Collaboratory for Structural Bioinformatics

RE <u>restriction enzyme</u>
RF <u>reading frame</u>

RFLP <u>restriction fragment length polymorphism</u>

RPKM read per kilobase of exon per million mappable reads

rRNA ribosomal RNA

SAM <u>sequence alignment/map</u>

SCOP structural classification of protein
SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics
SNPs single nucleotide polymorphisms

SPR <u>subtree pruning regrafting</u>
SSR <u>simple sequence repeats</u>
STS <u>sequence-tagged site</u>

SWA <u>S</u>mith-<u>W</u>aterman <u>a</u>lgorithm

T92 model Tamura (1992) model tree bisection reconnection

T-Coffee tree-based consistency objective function for alignment evaluation

TFBS <u>transcription factor binding sites</u>

TFs transcription factors
TIS translation initiation sites
TN93 model Tamura and Nei (1993) model

T-P transversion-parsimony
TPA third-party annotation
TPM transcripts per million

TRANSFAC <u>trans</u>cription regulatory <u>fac</u>tors

tRNA <u>transfer RNA</u>

TTS <u>triplex-forming oligonucleotide target sequences</u>

uGDT <u>unnormalized global distance test</u>

UniProt <u>universal prot</u>ein resource

UPGMA unweighted pair group method with arithmetic mean

URL uniform resource locator

VCF <u>variant call format</u>

VNTR <u>variable number tandem repeat</u>

WGS whole genome shotgun
wwPDB worldwide protein data bank
YAC yeast artificial chromosome