

# The Galaxy workflow

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# Agenda

- Workflows and credible research
- Galaxy: quick overview of the framework
- Sign up to a server and upload/get data
- Add steps to the history and make workflows
- Publish your histories and workflows
- Demo of workflows on our Galaxy server

# What is a workflow?

- “A workflow consists of a sequence of concatenated (connected) steps.”
- “It is a depiction of a sequence of operations...”

Source: Wikipedia



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# Reproducible research

- How do you judge the quality of research work?
- You need: Paper + Data + computing environment + workflow (Jon Claerbout, Stanford)
- Paper + Data = No longer good enough

# Bioinformatics Workflow Management System

- A BWMS gives you the data and the toolset.
- The workflow as a series of well-defined computational steps.
- Helps you design your processing pipeline and get your results.
- Helps you convince yourself and others about the credibility of your research.

# BWMS Example 1: Taverna

The screenshot displays the Taverna Workbench v1.7.1.0 interface. On the left, the 'Available Processors' pane lists various services like Biomart, Soaplab, and WSDL. Below it, the 'Advanced model explorer' shows a workflow named 'Fetch Dragon images from BioMoby' with a table of processor details.

Workflow object	Retries	Delay	Backoff	Threads	Critical
Fetch Dragon images from BioMoby					
Workflow inputs					
Workflow outputs					
Processors					
id : cho	0	0	1	1	
namespace : DragonDB:Allele	0	0	1	1	
Decode_base64_to_byte	0	0	1	1	
getJpegFromAnnotatedImage	0	0	1	1	
getDragonSimpleAnnotatedImages	0	0	1	1	
Object	0	0	1	1	
Parse_Moby_Data_JPEGImage	0	0	1	1	
Parse_Moby_Data_SimpleAnnotatedJPEGImage	0	0	1	1	
Data links					
Decode_base64_to_byte:bytes-images					

The main workspace shows a graphical workflow diagram. It starts with an 'Object' node receiving 'id' and 'namespace' inputs. The workflow proceeds through 'getDragonSimpleAnnotatedImages', 'getJpegFromAnnotatedImage', and 'Parse\_Moby\_Data\_JPEGImage'. It then branches into 'Decode\_base64\_to\_byte' and 'Parse\_Moby\_Data\_SimpleAnnotatedJPEGImage'. The final outputs are 'images' and 'annotations', which are grouped under a 'Workflow Outputs' dashed box. The diagram is rendered in 'Graphical' mode.

# BWMS Example 2: Pipeline Pilot

The screenshot displays the Pipeline Pilot Professional Client interface. The main workspace shows a workflow diagram with the following components: SD Reader, HTML Table Viewer, Fjernet kolonner (A:=B), Molecule to PNG, Table, nødvendig for å kunne lese..., and PDF Report Writer. The left sidebar shows a tree view of components, with 'Molecule to JPEG' selected. The bottom panel shows the 'Parameters' section for the 'Molecule to JPEG' component.

**Parameters**

Output	PNG_Image
Image Options	
ImageSize	250
WidthToHeightRatio	1.0
Transparent	True
Caption Property	Name
Chemistry Options	

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# The Galaxy BWMS

- User friendly: Only requires an up-to-date web browser and an internet connection.
- Contains already a large number of integrated tools for NGS  
<https://bitbucket.org/galaxy/galaxy-central/wiki/NGSLocalSetup>
- Framework for integrating other tools  
<https://community.g2.bx.psu.edu>
- Has an active community that develops the base code plus modules

# The galaxy web interface

The screenshot displays the Galaxy web interface with three main panels:

- Tools (left):** A sidebar with a search bar and a list of tool categories including Motif Tools, Multiple Alignments, Metagenomic analyses, FASTA manipulation, NCBI BLAST+, NGS: QC and manipulation, ILLUMINA FASTQ, ROCHE-454 DATA, and AB-SOLID DATA. The 'FASTQ Groomer' tool is highlighted under the 'ILLUMINA FASTQ' category.
- FASTQ Groomer (version 1.0.4) (center):** A configuration form for the selected tool. It includes fields for 'File to groom' (set to '15: FASTQ Groomer on data 13'), 'Input FASTQ quality scores type' (set to 'Sanger'), and 'Advanced Options' (set to 'Hide Advanced Options'). An 'Execute' button is at the bottom.
- History (right):** A list of workflow steps. The current step is '15: FASTQ Groomer on data 13'. Below it is a previous step '13: SRR000749.fastq' with a size of 464.3 Mb and format 'fastq, database: 2'. The output of this step is shown as a FASTQ file snippet.

```
@SRR000749.1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:380:8'  
GCCTATGTTGAAAAATATGGAGCTA  
+  
IIIIIIIIII@I)IICIIISIII,  
@SRR000749.2 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:466:1:  
GGAAAAATATCTTATTAATAAATTTG
```

Tool selection

Selected tool form

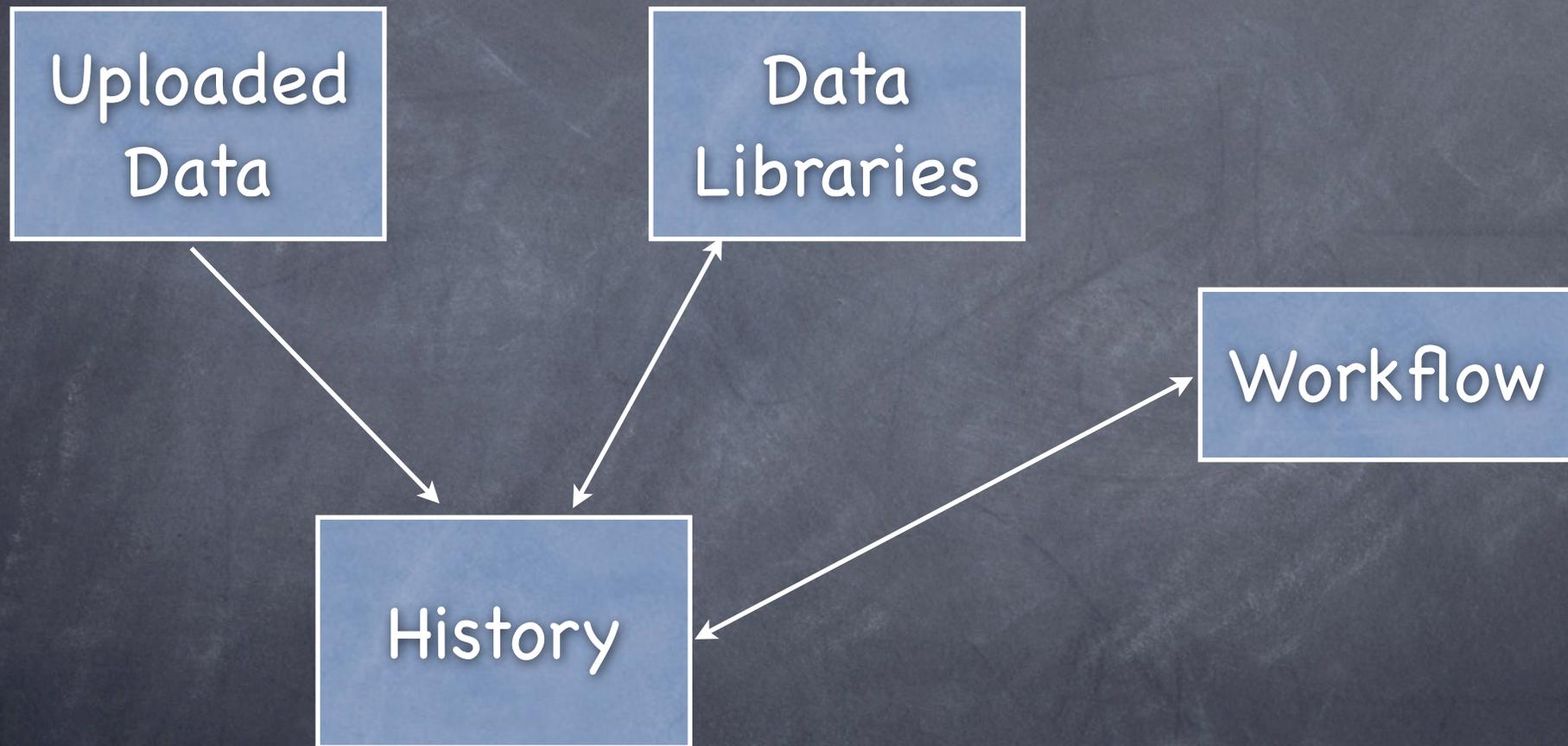
Workflow (history)

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# Basic Galaxy terminology

- Analysis step: A tool which accepts input data and generates output data.
- History: All ordered analysis steps plus the data plus the settings on each step.
- Workflow: Ordered processing steps without the data ("blueprint" of a history)
- Datasets: The input and output data of analysis steps.
- Data Libraries: Specific datasets organized for reference.

# Building blocks and information flow



# User registration

- You should register in order to get the most out of the Galaxy environment. It allows you to:
  - build and access workflows
  - have access to non-public data files and workflows.
  - Save your datasets and workflow histories.

# User registration (2)

Galaxy - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

Galaxy New Tab

biotin.uio.no:8080/user/login?webapp=galaxy&use\_panels=True Google

Most Visited BOINCstats | User s... MAXMIND GeolIP CPAN ΣΚΑΪ Player TV LIVE... UOP Intranet - -

ant.com Search the Search Download Player Browse Rank: 22,748 Help About Preferences

**Galaxy** Analyze Data Workflow Shared Data Help **User**

Login Register

**Login**

Email address:

Password:

Forgot password? [Reset here](#)

Login

http://biotin.uio.no:8080/user/create?

# User registration (3)

## Create account

Email address:

Password:

Confirm password:

Public name:

Your public name is an identifier that will be used to generate addresses for information you share publicly. Public names must be at least four characters in length and contain only lower-case letters, numbers, and the '-' character.

# Galaxy "history"

- Your workflow's scratchpad
- You record and annotate your steps
- You can generate, report, export data to it from data libraries
- You can save, publish your history

# History annotation

History Options ▾

Unnamed history 1.8 Gb

Tags:

Annotation / Notes:

Simple workflow to demonstrate FASTQ file processing plus additional steps.

**25: transeq on data 16** 👁️ ✎ ✕

4,680,118 sequences  
format: fasta, database: ?

```
>SRR000749.1_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:380:871  
AYVEKYGAX  
>SRR000749.2_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:466:121  
GKISY*KFX  
>SRR000749.3_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:551:138  
DIFLVYKMX
```

**16: FASTQ to FASTA on data 15** 👁️ ✎ ✕

**15: FASTQ Groomer on data 13** 👁️ ✎ ✕

**13: SRR000749.fastq** 👁️ ✎ ✕

# Importing data to history

## Data Library "Escherichia coli"

Containing the E. Coli reference genome

<input type="checkbox"/> Name	Message	Uploaded By
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">AP012306.fasta</a> ▼		gmagklaras@gmail.com

For selected datasets:  ▼

**i** TIP: You can download individual library datasets by selecting "Download this dataset" from the context menu (triangle) next to each dataset's name

**i** TIP: Several compression options are available for downloading multiple library datasets simultaneously:

- gzip: Recommended for fast network connections
- bzip2: Recommended for slower network connections (smaller size but takes longer to compress)
- zip: Not recommended but is provided as an option for those who cannot open the above formats

# Exporting data from history

Analyze Data

Workflow

Shared Data

**Admin**

Help

User

## Upload files to a data library

### Active datasets in your current history (E.coli mapping)

- 13: SRR000749.fastq
- 28: AP012306.fasta
- 29: SRR001666\_1.fastq
- 30: FASTQ Groomer on data 29

Import to library

# Exporting/publishing a history

Open Ant preferences window

Using 1.8 Gb

**History**

Unnamed history

**25: transeq on data 16**  
4,680,118 sequences  
format: fasta, database: 2

```
>SRR000749.1_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:380:871  
AYVEKYGAX  
>SRR000749.2_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:466:121  
GKISY*KFX  
>SRR000749.3_1 USI-EAS21_60_6387:4:1:551:138  
DIFLVYKMX
```

**16: FASTQ to FASTA on data 15**

**15: FASTQ Groomer on data 13**

**13: SRR000749.fastq**

- History Lists
- Saved Histories
- Histories Shared with Me
- Current History
- Create New
- Clone
- Copy Datasets
- Share or Publish
- Extract Workflow
- Dataset Security
- Show Deleted Datasets
- Show Hidden Datasets
- Purge Deleted Datasets
- Show Structure
- Export to File
- Delete
- Delete Permanently
- Other Actions
- Import from File

# How to make a workflow (1)

The screenshot displays the Galaxy web interface for creating a workflow. The top navigation bar includes 'Analyze Data', 'Workflow', 'Shared Data', 'Admin', 'Help', and 'User', with 'Using 3.9 Gb' shown in the top right. The left sidebar, titled 'Tools', contains a search bar and a list of tool categories such as 'Get Data', 'Send Data', 'ENCODE Tools', 'Lift-Over', 'Text Manipulation', 'Filter and Sort', 'Join, Subtract and Group', 'Convert Formats', 'Extract Features', 'Fetch Sequences', 'Fetch Alignments', 'Get Genomic Scores', 'Operate on Genomic Intervals', 'Statistics', 'Wavelet Analysis', 'Graph/Display Data', 'Regional Variation', 'Multiple regression', 'Multivariate Analysis', 'Evolution', 'Motif Tools', 'Multiple Alignments', 'Metagenomic analyses', 'FASTA manipulation', 'NCBI BLAST+', 'NGS: QC and manipulation', 'NGS: Picard (beta)', and 'NGS: Mapping'. The central 'Workflow Canvas' is titled 'Simple sort of exons' and shows a workflow with four steps: 1. 'Input dataset' (output), 2. 'Compute' (as a new column to out\_file1), 3. 'Sort' (Sort Query, out\_file1), and 4. 'Select first' (from out\_file1). The 'Select first' step is highlighted with a blue border. The right sidebar, titled 'Details', shows the configuration for the 'Select first' tool, including a 'Select first' dropdown set to '20', a 'from' field with 'Data input 'input' (txt)', and a 'Create' button. Below this are sections for 'Edit Step Actions' (with a 'Rename Dataset' dropdown and 'out\_file1' selected) and 'Edit Step Attributes' (with an 'Annotation / Notes' field).

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# How to make a workflow (2)

The following list contains each tool that was run to create the datasets in your current history. Please select those that you wish to include in the workflow.

Tools which cannot be run interactively and thus cannot be incorporated into a workflow will be shown in gray.

**Workflow name**  
Workflow constructed from history 'E.coli mapping'

Create Workflow | Check all | Uncheck all

Tool	History items created
<b>Upload File</b> <i>This tool cannot be used in workflows</i>	13: SRR000749.fastq <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treat as input dataset
<b>Unknown</b> <i>This tool cannot be used in workflows</i>	28: AP012306.fasta <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treat as input dataset
<b>Unknown</b> <i>This tool cannot be used in workflows</i>	29: SRR001666_1.fastq <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treat as input dataset
<b>FASTQ Groomer</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Include "FASTQ Groomer" in workflow	32: FASTQ Groomer on data 29
<b>Map with BWA for Illumina</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Include "Map with BWA for Illumina" in workflow	34: Map with BWA for Illumina on data 32 and data 28: mapped reads
<b>Convert Genomic Intervals To Strict BED6</b>	37: UCSC Main on Human: knownGene

**History Lists**

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```
>viral11 seq
ftgaatggatgtcaatccgactctacttttcttaaaaa
caccacattcccttatactggagatcctccatacagcc
catggacacagtaaacagaaacacccaactcagaaa
agagactgggtgcaccccagctcaaccgattgatggac
aagtgggatgcaaacacagactgtgttctagaggcta
```

# Running (using) the workflow

The screenshot shows the Galaxy web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Galaxy' on the left and 'Analyze Data', 'Workflow', 'Shared Data', 'Admin', 'Help', and 'User' in the center. On the right of the navigation bar, it says 'Using 3.9 Gb'. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'Tools' sidebar on the left with a search box and a list of tool categories: Get Data, Send Data, ENCODE Tools, Lift-Over, Text Manipulation, Filter and Sort, Join, Subtract and Group, Convert Formats, Extract Features, Fetch Sequences, Fetch Alignments, Get Genomic Scores, Operate on Genomic Intervals, Statistics, Wavelet Analysis, Graph/Display Data, Regional Variation, Multiple regression, Multivariate Analysis, Evolution, and Motif Tools. The main content area is titled 'Running workflow "Simple sort of exons"' and has 'Expand All' and 'Collapse' buttons. Below the title, it says 'Get coding exon data from human chr1 and sort them'. The workflow is divided into four steps: Step 1: Input dataset, Step 2: Compute, Step 3: Sort, and Step 4: Select first. Step 1 is expanded, showing an 'Input Dataset' section with a dropdown menu set to '37: UCSC Main on Huma...-249250621)' and a text input field with 'type to filter'. Below the steps, there is a checkbox for 'Send results to a new history' and a 'Run workflow' button. On the right side, there is a 'History' panel with 'Options' and a list of workflow steps. The top step is '37: UCSC Main on Human: knownGene (chr1:1-249250621)' with 'E.coli mapping' and '3.9 Gb' below it. Below this step is a table with columns '1. Chrom', '2. Start', '3. End', and '4. Name'. The table contains six rows of data. Below the table are two more steps: '34: Map with BWA for Illumina on data 32 and data 28: mapped reads' and '32: FASTQ Groomer on data 29'.

**Running workflow "Simple sort of exons"** Expand All Collapse

Get coding exon data from human chr1 and sort them

**Step 1: Input dataset**

Input Dataset

37: UCSC Main on Huma...-249250621) |  
type to filter

**Step 2: Compute**

**Step 3: Sort**

**Step 4: Select first**

Send results to a new history

Run workflow

**History** Options

E.coli mapping 3.9 Gb

**37: UCSC Main on Human: knownGene (chr1:1-249250621)**

58,428 regions  
format: bed, database: hg19

view in [GeneTrack](#)  
display at Ensembl [Current](#)

1. Chrom	2. Start	3. End	4. Name
chr1	12189	12227	uc010nxq.1_cds
chr1	12594	12721	uc010nxq.1_cds
chr1	13402	13639	uc010nxq.1_cds
chr1	69090	70008	uc001aal.1_cds
chr1	324342	324345	uc009vjk.2_cds
chr1	324438	325605	uc009vjk.2_cds

**34: Map with BWA for Illumina on data 32 and data 28: mapped reads**

**32: FASTQ Groomer on data 29**

# Publishing a workflow

## Share or Publish Workflow 'Simple sort of exons'

### Making Workflow Accessible via Link and Publishing It

This workflow is currently restricted so that only you and the users listed below can access it. You can:

**Make Workflow Accessible via Link**

Generates a web link that you can share with other people so that they can view and import the workflow.

**Make Workflow Accessible and Publish**

Makes the workflow accessible via link (see above) and publishes the workflow to Galaxy's [Published Workflows](#) section, where it is publicly listed and searchable.

### Sharing Workflow with Specific Users

You have not shared this workflow with any users.

**Share with a user**

[Back to Workflows List](#)

From the top menu bar: "Shared Data" ->  
"Published Workflows"

# DEMO 1: Get coding exons on Human Chr1 and post-process on start and end positions

Step

Chr1 coding exons  
UCSC data



Calculate column 7 as  
column 3 - column 2



Sort in descending  
order of column7



Select the first 20  
records

Galaxy tool

Get Data -> UCSC Main  
table browser



Text Manipulation ->  
Compute



Filter and Sort -> Sort



Text Manipulation ->  
Select First

# DEMO 2: Characterize a sequence fragment by BLAST search and sort the hits with by alignment length

Step

Fasta file with  
nucleotide sequence

Nucleotide to protein  
translation

Homology search of  
translated sequence

Sort the results by  
alignment length

Galaxy tool

Get Data -> Upload  
File (or history import)

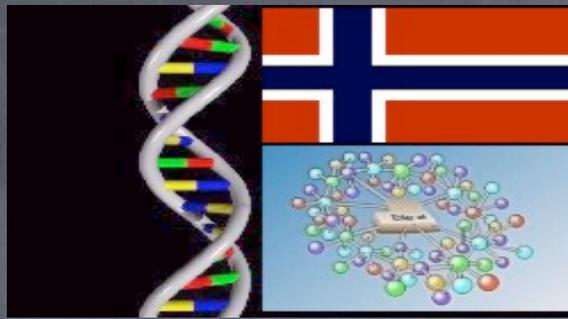
EMBOSS -> Transeq

NCBI BLAST+ -> Blastp

Filter and Sort -> Sort

# Exercise

- **Step 1:** User register and login to the Galaxy server (<http://biotin.uio.no:8080>)
- **Step 2:** Locate the Published Workflow called "NGS example". What does it do?
- **Step 3:** Locate the Published Data Library called "Escherichia Coli" which contains an Illumina experiment and a reference Genome.
- **Step 4:** Import both files from this Data Library into your current history.
- **Step 5:** Now run the "NGS example" workflow with the imported files.
- **Step 6:** Can you add steps to your history, make a workflow out of it and publish it for other users to use?



# Questions?

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