

Genomes with Ensembl

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Search: All species for e.g. human gene BRCA2 or rat X:100000..200000 or insulin

Browse a Genome

The Ensembl project produces genome databases for vertebrates and other eukaryotic species, and makes this information freely available online.

Click on a link below to go to the species' home page.

Popular genomes ([Log in to customize this list](#))

 **Human**
NCBI36

 **Mouse**
NCBIM37

 **Zebrafish**
ZFISH7

All genomes

– Select a species –

New to Ensembl?

Did you know you can:

-  [Add custom tracks](#)
using our new Control Panel
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-  [Search for a DNA or protein sequence](#)
using BLAST or BLAT
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from our public database, using the Ensembl Perl API
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in FASTA, MySQL and other formats
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and export sequences or tables in text, html, or Excel format

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What's New in Release 51 (18 November 2008)

- [Webcode version 4.0 released](#) (all species)
- [New 2x genomes](#) (multiple species)
- [New Guinea assembly and genebuild](#) (Guinea Pig)

Subjects

An introduction to genome browsers.

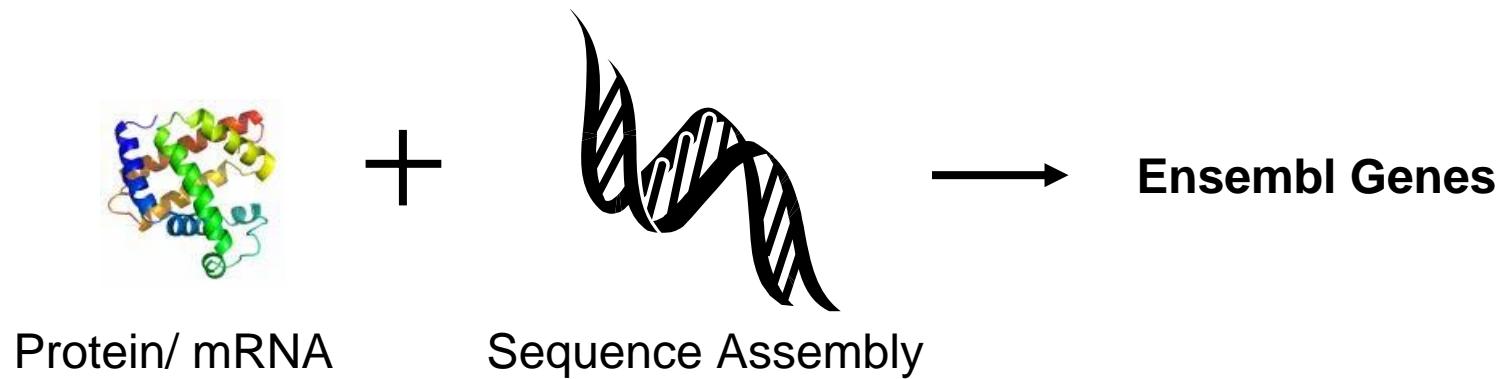
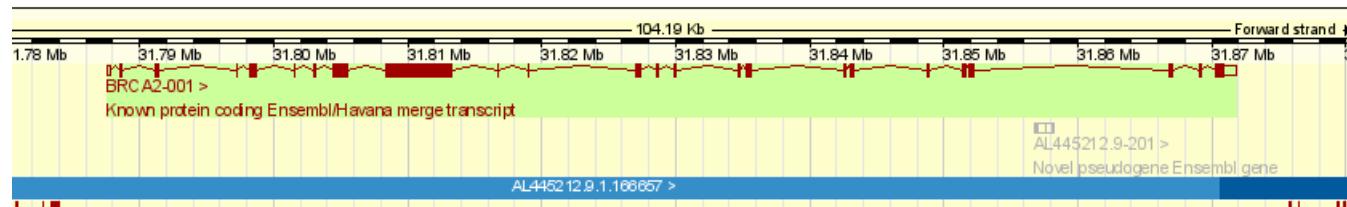
What is an Ensembl gene?

How can we extract data from Ensembl?

Genome Browsers

- Ensembl Genome browser
<http://www.ensembl.org>
- NCBI Map Viewer
<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/mapview/>
- UCSC Genome Browser
<http://genome.ucsc.edu>

Ensembl Genome Browser



NCBI Map Viewer



UCSC Genome Browser

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UCSC Genome Browser on Human Mar. 2006 Assembly

move <<< << < > >> zoom in 1.5x 3x 10x base zoom out 1.5x 3x 10x

position/search chr13:31,787,617-31,871,809 jump clear size 84,193 bp. configure

chr13 (q13.1) 13 12 q31.1 q34

STS Markers | UCSC Gene Predictions Based on RefSeq, UniProt, GenBank, and Comparative Genomics | RefSeq Genes | Mammalian Gene Collection Full ORF mRNAs | Human mRNAs | Human ESTs That Have Been Spliced | Vertebrate Multiz Alignment & PhastCons Conservation (28 species) | Mammal Cons | Rhesus | Mouse | Dog | Horse | Armadillo | Opossum | Platypus | Lizard | Chicken | X_tropicalis | Stickleback | SNPs (126) | Simple Nucleotide Polymorphisms (dbSNP build 126) | Repeating Elements by RepeatMasker | RepeatMasker

Click on a feature for details. Click on base position to zoom in around cursor. Click gray/blue bars on left for track options and descriptions.

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default tracks hide all add custom tracks configure refresh

Use drop down controls below and press refresh to alter tracks displayed.
Tracks with lots of items will automatically be displayed in more compact modes.

- Mapping and Sequencing Tracks

Base Position	Chromosome Band	STS Markers	FISH Clones	Recomb Rate
dense	hide	dense	hide	hide
Map Contigs	Assembly	Gap	Coverage	BAC End Pairs

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To meet a challenge...

Ensembl's AIM: To provide annotation for the biological community that is freely available and of high quality

- Started in 2000
- Joint project between EBI and Sanger
- Funded primarily by the Wellcome Trust, additional funding by EMBL, NIH-NIAID, EU, BBSRC and MRC

What Distinguishes Ensembl from the UCSC and NCBI Browsers?

- The gene set. Automatic annotation based on mRNA and protein information.
- Programmatic access via the Perl API (open source)
- BioMart
- Integration with other databases (DAS)
- Comparative analysis (gene trees)

Ensembl Genes – biological basis

All Ensembl transcripts are based on proteins and mRNAs in:

- UniProt/Swiss-Prot (*manually curated*)
- UniProt/TrEMBL

www.uniprot.org

- NCBI RefSeq (*manually curated*)

www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/RefSeq

Ensembl and VEGA/Havana

- Automatic annotation pipeline: Gene building all at once (whole genome)

Ensembl

- Manual curation: case-by-case basis

VEGA: Vertebrate Genome Annotation

Havana

Genes and Transcripts in Ensembl

- Ensembl known transcripts
- Ensembl novel transcripts
- Ensembl merged transcripts (Havana)
- EST clusters
- More manual curation (SGD, WormBase, FlyBase)

What annotation is available?

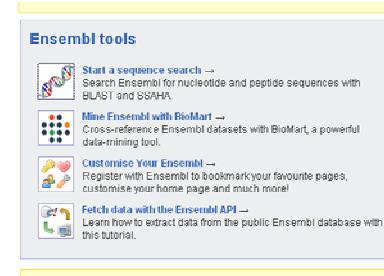
- Gene/transcript/peptide models (coding and noncoding (ncRNAs))
- IDs in other databases
- Mapped cDNAs, peptides, micro array probes, BAC clones etc.
- Other features of the genome:
cytogenetic bands, markers, repeats etc.
- Comparative data:
orthologues and paralogues, protein families, whole genome alignments, syntenic regions
- Variation data:
SNPs
- Regulatory data:
“best guess” set of regulatory elements from ENCODE
- Data from external sources (DAS)

What species are available (v52)? Chordate focus.

	Aedes		Fruitfly		Opossum
	Alpaca		Fugu		Orangutan
	Anole lizard (preview - assembly only)		Guinea Pig		Pig (preview - assembly only)
	Anopheles		Hedgehog		Pika
	Armadillo		Horse		Platypus
	Bushbaby		Human		Rabbit
	C.elegans		Hyrax		Rat
	C.intestinalis		Kangaroo rat		S.cerevisiae
	C.savignyi		Lamprey (preview - assembly only)		Shrew
	Cat		Lesser hedgehog tenrec		Squirrel
	Chicken		Macaque		Stickleback
	Chimpanzee		Medaka		Tarsier
	Cow		Megabat		Tetraodon
	Dog		Microbat		Tree Shrew
	Dolphin		Mouse		X.tropicalis
	Elephant		Mouse Lemur		Zebrafish

How is this information organised?

- Ensembl Views (Website)



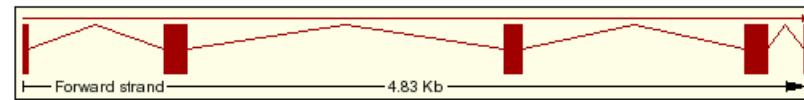
- Ensembl Database (open source)
- BioMart ‘DataMining tool’

Names in Ensembl

- **ENSG###** Ensembl Gene ID
- **ENST###** Ensembl Transcript ID
- **ENSP###** Ensembl Peptide ID
- **ENSE###** Ensembl Exon ID
- **For other species than human a suffix is added:**
MUS (*Mus musculus*) for mouse: ENSMUSG###
DAR (*Danio rerio*) for zebrafish: ENSDARG###, etc.

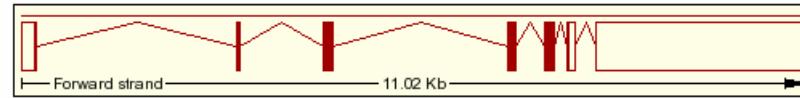
Gene Structure in Ensembl

No UTRs



Calmodulin Chicken

UTRs annotated



Calmodulin Human

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