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APPLICATIONS (click on a category below to access programs)	Welcome to CBSU Web Computing Interface	
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alignment	can find more details on the <u>BioHPC Suite home page</u> . The BioHPC project was supported in 2006-2008 under <u>Microsoft</u>	
Population genetics	<u>High-Performance Computing Institutes</u> (CBSU was one of them) and currently is supported by Microsoft Research. The applications are run on CBSU computer clusters as well as on Microsoft Athena cluster. For more information about	
Protein structure	our hardware resources can be found <u>here</u> . Microsoft gave us access to their 64 node cluster in their headquarters running MS Windows HPC Server 2006, the cluster's name is Athena and it is being accessed via <i>HPC profile / JSDL protocol.</i> It is an example of how well BioHPC can integrate geographically dispersed computing resources.	
MSR Biomedical	The usage of various applications in this BioHPC installation is summarized on <u>BioHPC@CBSU statistics page</u> .	
Other	Some of the tools are freely available for all, some, due to a very high computational demand, are available to registered users only. Current user id, together with user-specific functions, is displayed in the bar above.	E
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- User accessibility is major problem in HPC and bio-computing
- Using a parallel cluster or remote resources required knowledge of the operating system, queuing system and parallel programming
- BioHPC suite provides easy access to standardized applications on Windows platform
- BioHPC suite provides easy way manage and integrate distributed computational resources
- Written in C# / ASP.NET



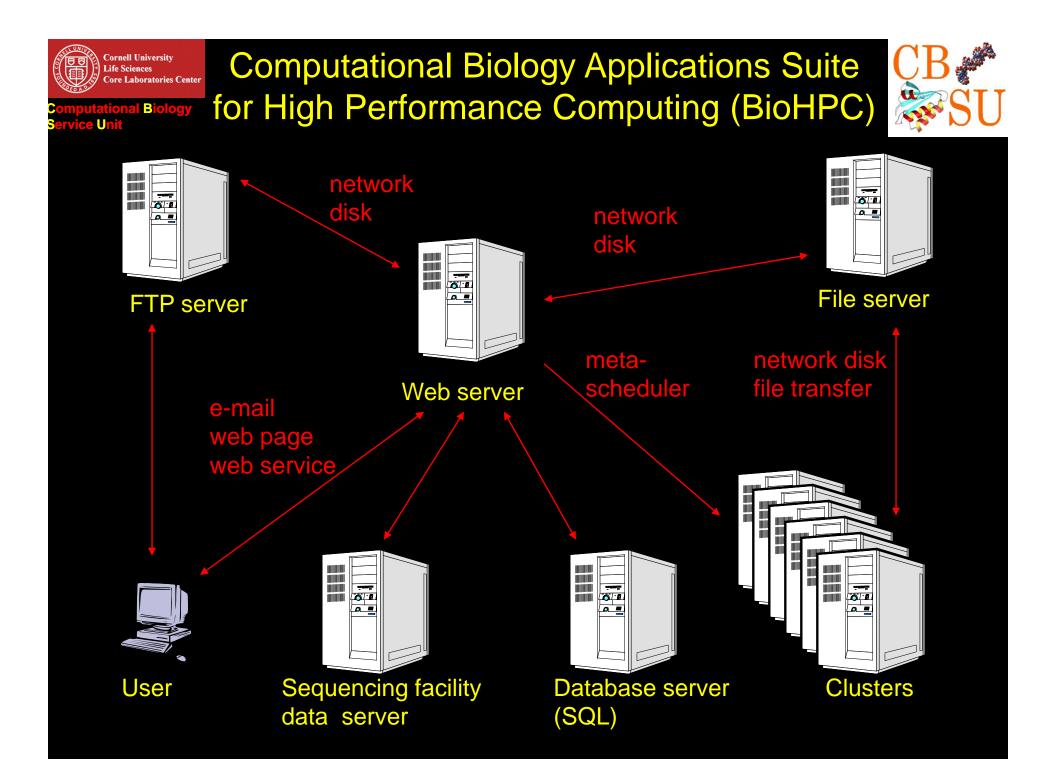
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Computational Biology Applications Suite for High Performance Computing (BioHPC)



What it does:

- Web-based, point-and-click access to a variety of bioinformatics applications with the underlying structure of computational platform transparent to the user
- Enhancement of standard applications through parallelization, transparent to the user
- Integration and simplified access to geographically dispersed hardware resources
- Web-based administration of users, jobs, applications, and clusters within the suite
- Standardized access to and maintenance of bioinformatics databases
- Next generation data management and distribution from sequencing facility to users.
- Next generation sequencing pipelines and applications with internal data management or optional external data upload





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- •Web server running the interface (ASP.NET C#)
- Microsoft SQL server (ADO.NET)
- Compute clusters running Microsoft Windows
- Ftp server / file server
- •Two local compute cluster schedulers are supported (CCS and HPC Server 2008)
- •Remote clusters can be used via JSDL/HPC Profile



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37 applications available

- Data mining / sequence analysis (BLAST, HMMER, InterProScan, GIMSAN, SLIM)
- Protein structure prediction and modeling (LOOPP, Modeller)
- Population genetics (BEAST, BEST, Clumpp, IM, IMa, IMa2, InStruct, LAMARC, MDIV, Migrate, MKPRF, MSVAR, OmegaMap, Parentage, SFS_CODE, Structurama, Structure, TESS)
- Phylogenetics (MrBayes, ClustalW, Stretcher, T-COFFEE)
- Association analysis / statistics (PLINK, R)
- MSR Biomedical (CreateEpitome, Epipred, FalseDiscoveryRate, HlaAssignment, HlaCompletion, PhyloD)

The system is flexible and can be easily customized to include other software. The interface to each application is standardized, users can choose the cluster, number of nodes or allow the interface to determine it based on the best load balance and node availability



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The most popular applications

Job submission from 6/13/2003 to 3/18/2010

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All applications	140,141 (average 20,090 per year, 49,738 last year)
LOOPP MDIV	parallel, uses 5-20 cores for 3-10 hours serial, uses 1 core from few hours to two weeks (average: 2-5 days)
P-BLAST	parallel, restricted resource, uses 10 – 100 cores for a few days to a week (average: few days)
MrBayes	parallel, uses 8-20 cores for a few hours to two weeks (average: a week)



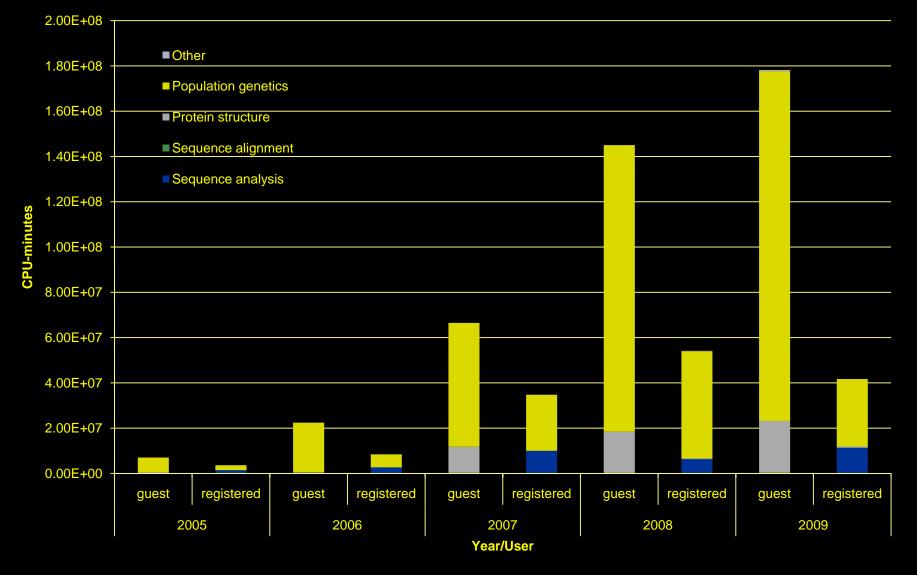
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Dynamics of BioHPC Utilization







The jobs were submitted by 11,471 unique users from 83 countries

The majority (57% by CPU time used) coming from the USA

52% of the USA utilized CPU time coming from New York

Among them there are

257 unique Cornell users,
2,580 users from *.edu* domains
426 unique *.edu* institutions
4,813 users from *.com* domains
4,191 users with Yahoo, Gmail and Hotmail e-mail addresses

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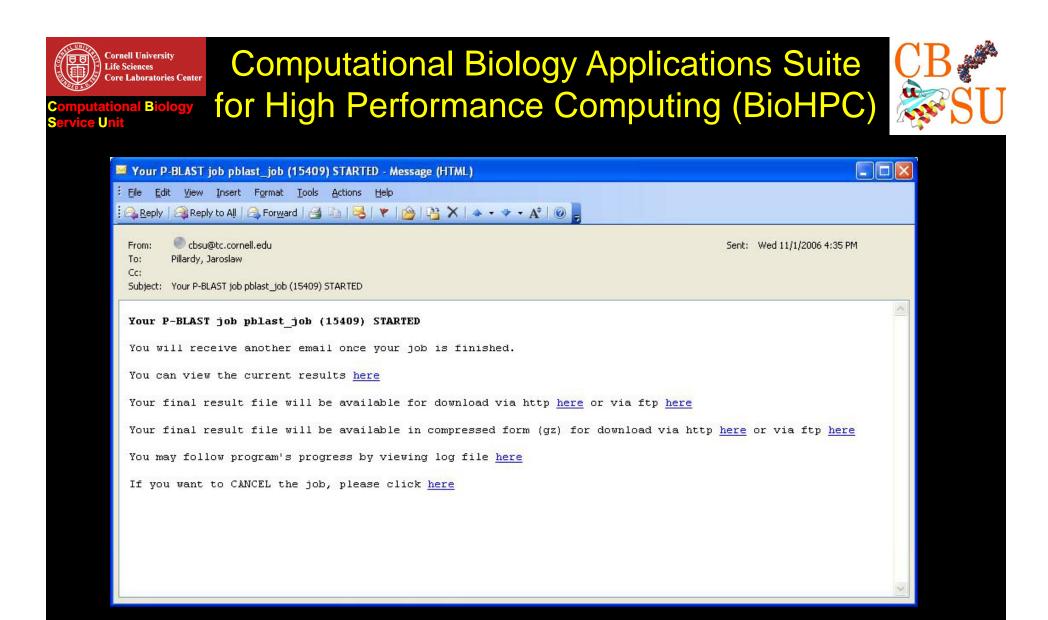




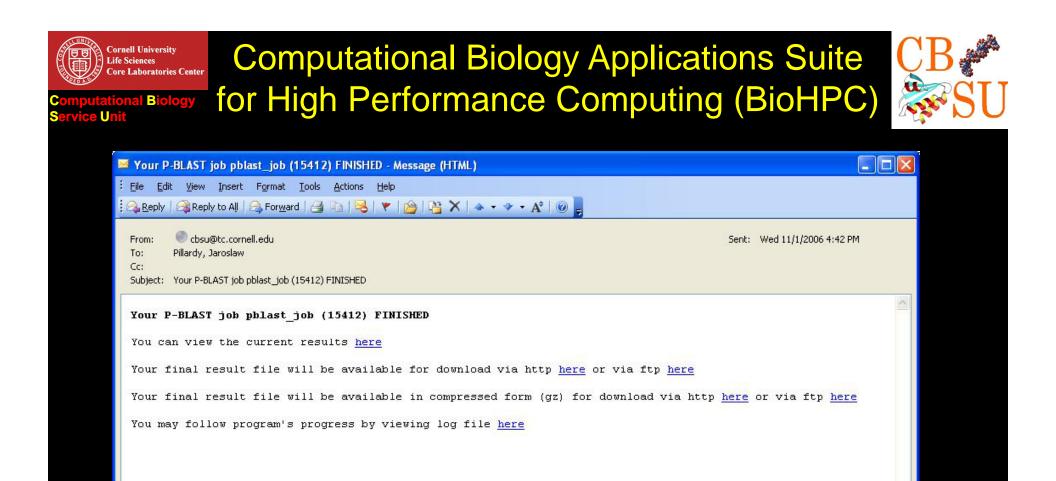
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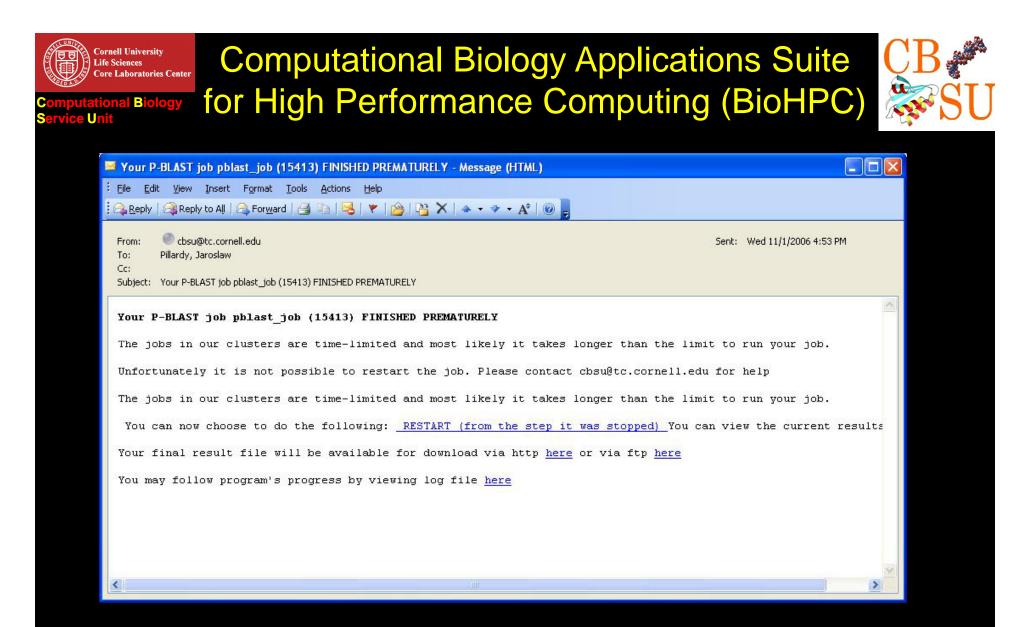
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Jobs interact with user via e-mails. Links in the e-mail allow for viewing current results, computations progress (log) as well as cancelling the job if necessary.



When job finishes, another e-mail is sent.



Sometimes a job finishes prematurely. Usually it happens for a very long jobs run on relatively small number of nodes. Many applications can be restarted and continued from the stopping point via a link.

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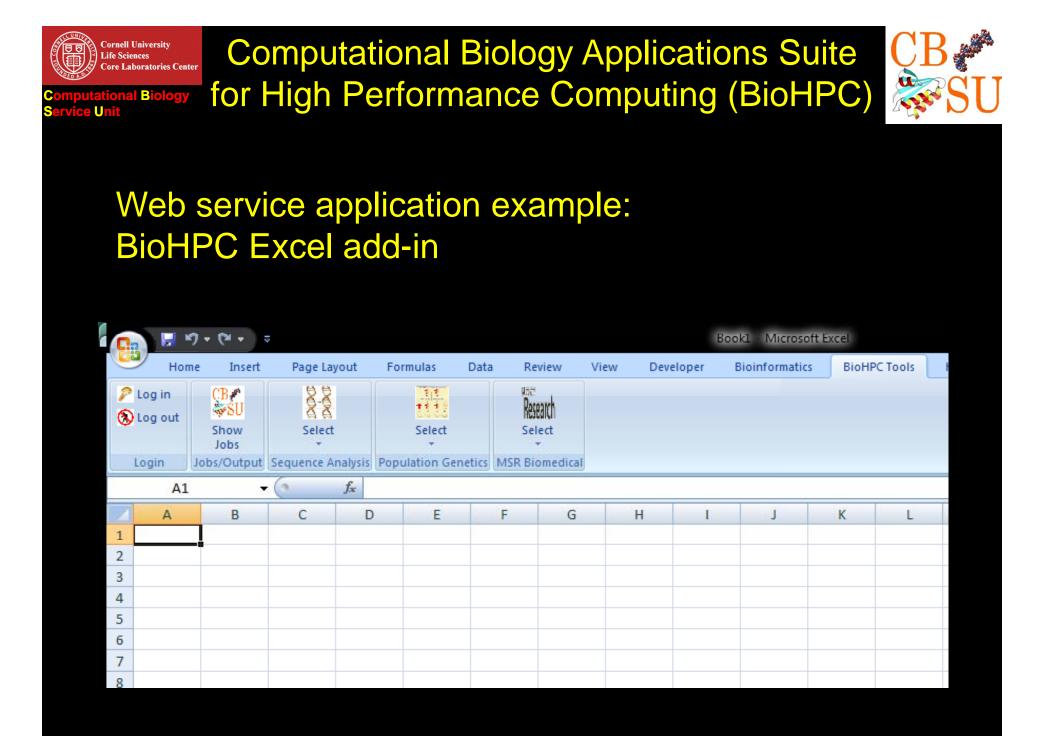
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BioHPC as a web service

- Convenient user interfaces other than web forms, e.g. Excel
 - Job submission with immediate results visualization / analysis
- Incorporate HPC applications in automated analysis pipelines
 - Especially important in the context of Next Generation Sequencing pipelines
- BioHPC resources available through Microsoft Biology Foundation for command-line utilization



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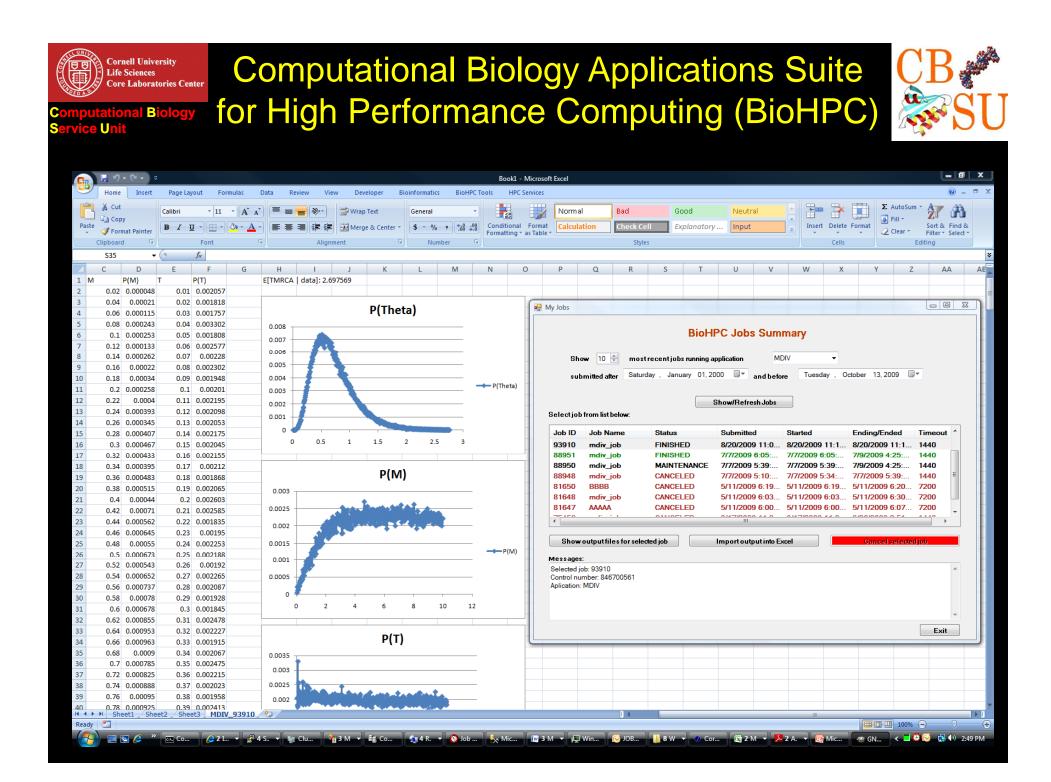
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Next Generation Sequencing and BioHPC

There are a few LIMS-like systems available for next generation sequencing, but none has HPC bio computing implemented and none uses Windows



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Data management

Run Manager: connects to the sequencing facility and automatically detects finished sequencing runs for which base calling has been completed. It then configures the run in BioHPC database and sends an invitation to the facility manager to approve the results for distribution to users. Once approved, the results (read files) are asynchronously transferred to BioHPC file server and catalogued there for further use. Once the transfer is complete, all users assigned to distributed lanes are automatically notified by an e-mail message containing download links.

Lane Browser: allows users to browse their sequencing read files (Illumina lanes) catalogued at BioHPC. The browser displays lane annotation information and allows the file owner to grant additional users access to a file. Read files obtained outside of the Cornell sequencing facility can also be uploaded and catalogued at BioHPC.



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• Data analysis

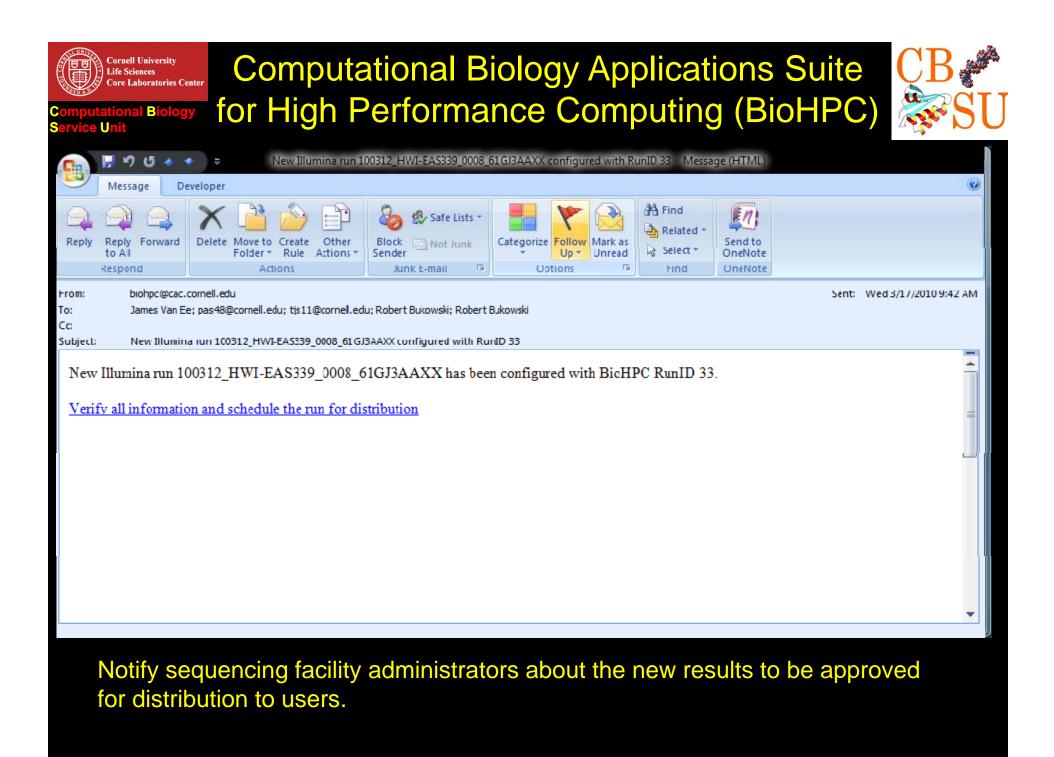
Reference Manager: allows users to upload and catalogue reference genome files and annotation files needed in downstream data analysis.

Pipeline Manager (under development): allows users to construct and run various analysis pipelines using sequencing reads and reference files stored at BioHPC as input. While default parameters are provided, steps of each pipeline will be individually configurable by a user. Users interface with pipeline manager using our specially constructed web interface or using a web service layer. Computationally intensive steps run on clusters linked to BioHPC.

The web service interface will allow pipelines to be controlled from any client application, such as the **MBF platform** or the **Illumina Genome Studio**, or **Trident** scientific workflow workbench.

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Intercept finished sequencing runs and configure them in BioHPC data manager.



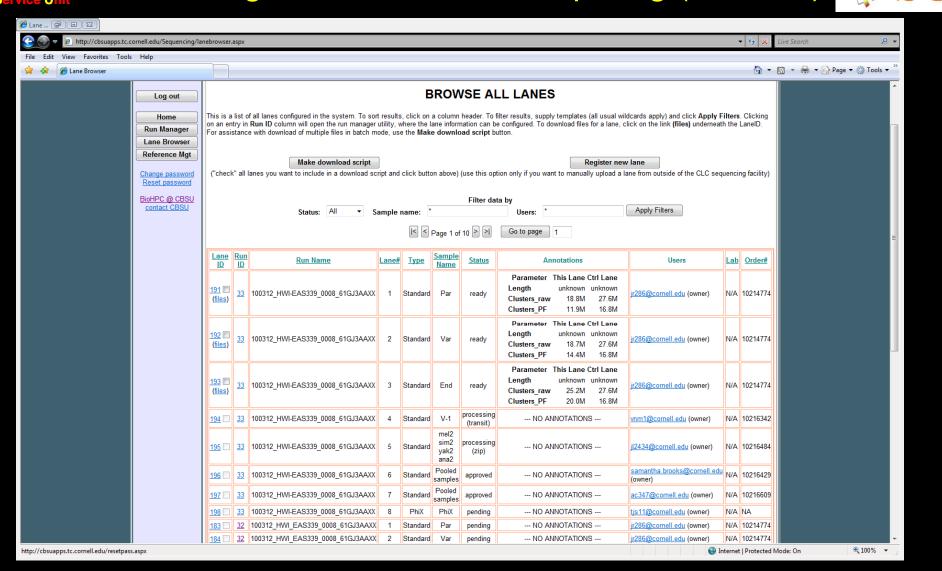
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Approval page for sequencing facility. Transfer (asynchronous) to BioHPC will start after a lane status is changed to approved.

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Main administration page for lanes. Users can only manage their own data.

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This and other sequencing results may also be retrieved using the following methods:

- · From the Order Status/Results section of the CLC web site (https://cores.lifesciences.comell.edu/userdev)
- From the BioHPC Next Generation Data Anlysis site at Computational Biology Service Unit (CBSU) ٠ (http://cbsuapps.tc.comeil.edu/Sequencing/seqmain.aspx). To learn how to access the BioIIPC site please see the explanation below.

About BioHPC:

The BioHPC Next Generation Sequencing Data Analysis site allows users to access the results of Illumina sequencing runs performed on their behalf by the Sequencing Facility at Cornell CLC. Read files obtained outside of this facility can also be eatalogued and stored here. In the future, users will also be able to upload and manage reference genome and annotation files and run various analysis pipelines involving read and reference files. stored and catalogued at CBSU. To access the site, navigate to

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If you would like to use the BioHPC site but are not yet registered, contact CBSU at http://cbsuapps.tc.comell.edu/contactus.aspx.

File Formats and Data:

Data are distributed as gzipped "fastq" formatted files generated from the Illumina Genome Analyzer Analysis Pipeline. Unfiltered data in Illumina ".qseq" format or other intermediate data from the pipeline and data collection process are available by special arrangement with the CLC (dna services@comell.edu). Special data handling may result in additional processing fees.

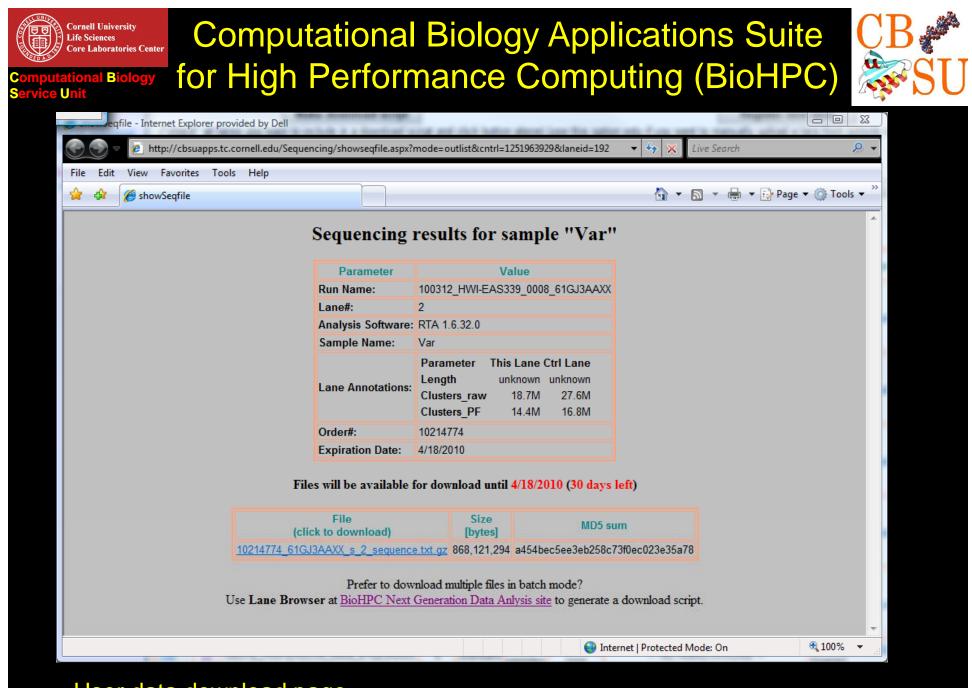
Data Retention Policy:

Data distributed through the BioHPC web site is available for 30 days (once analysis pipelines become operational, retention time may be extended for lanes involved in calculations). After 30 days, the data may be reposted subject to a service fee. The CLC maintains an archive of all sequencing data, however, we cannot guarantee the availability of data after the initial distribution. Customers are responsible for retrieving and storing their data safely, CLC and BioHPC cannot serve as a backup or archive.

More Information:

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Once data files are transferred users obtain links to download them.



User data download page.





Problems

HPC basic profile / JSDL limitations in Windows Server 2008 HPC

Only limited subset of commands and controls is implemented in the native HPC Basic Profile service. Need to develop BioHPC web service to control HPC scheduler.

SUA and porting

Porting applications to Windows environment and convincing original authors to keep them updated on Windows is still a challenge. SUA only supported 32 bit development, severely limiting memory usage – same with Cygwin. Direct native porting not an efficient choice for rapidly changing, not yet established software. Experimenting with MINGW 64 bit environment.





Progress to date summary

- Fully functional HPC computational biology application suite offering 37 applications, resource integration and management available as open source.
- Very popular service massively utilized by Cornell and external users
- Web service access implemented for several applications, will be available for all suitable applications by the end of this year
- Integration with MBF via web services and Excel client implementation is in progress for several applications. Extensive participation in MBF development and testing.
- Fully implemented next generation sequencing data manager with asynchronous data transfer from sequencing facility and data distribution to users





Future effort and directions

- Keeping up to date with new developments in bio computing: applications and algorithm/software updates, especially in next generation sequencing
- Better integration with MBF, especially regarding data management
- Integrating with commercial applications (Ilumina, Real Time Genomics)
- Full implementation of next generation sequencing pipeline manager as web form, web services integrated into MBF, and available as Trident workflows
- Support for Azure cloud will allow users to install and use BioHPC locally and utilize Azure as a remote HPC resource
- Improved internal maintenance tools (external authentication, better user group management, improved asynchronous data transfer)

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Many thanks for Microsoft Research for support that allowed us to to develop our own local computing solutions into a tool that can help others.

Without MSR BioHPC would be just a set of unorganized interface and admin tools useful only for us.