

NGS Goes Automatic : From library preparation to data quality control

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Due to the constant increase of second generation sequencers (as HiSeq or MiSeq) throughput and the multiplication of their applications, a challenge is to sequence, at the same time, in a single run, ever more samples of different types, while being able to verify the quality of the produced data. At the INRA GeT-PlaGe facility, we have automated both library production and data quality control steps, in partnership with the Genotoul Bioinformatics facility, for protocols such as whole genome sequencing, Amplicon sequencing (e.g. 16S sequencing on MiSeq for metagenomics studies), stranded RNA-seq, Mate-Pair or whole genome bisulfite sequencing.

Having acquired a solid expertise in library preparation and data quality control of short fragments, our challenge for the coming months will be to integrate data from 3rd generation sequencers in our automated quality control processes, dealing with the specificity of long fragments, in partnership with the bioinformatics community of Toulouse and France Génomique.

Template Quality Control



PicoGreen on QuantStudio 6
or QuBit – Nanodrop
ND8000 – Fragment Analyzer

Library preparation



TECAN EVO200
TECAN EVO150
Blue Pippin
Megaruptor

Library Quality Control



QPCR controls
TECAN EVO50 &
QuantStudio 6
Fragment Analyzer

Traceability



Each step of the process is tracked by various modules of our in-house information system.

Biological samples are uniquely identified using barcodes.

Sequencing



HiSeq 2500, 1To, 3000
MiSeq x2
PacBio RSII
MinION in Early Acces

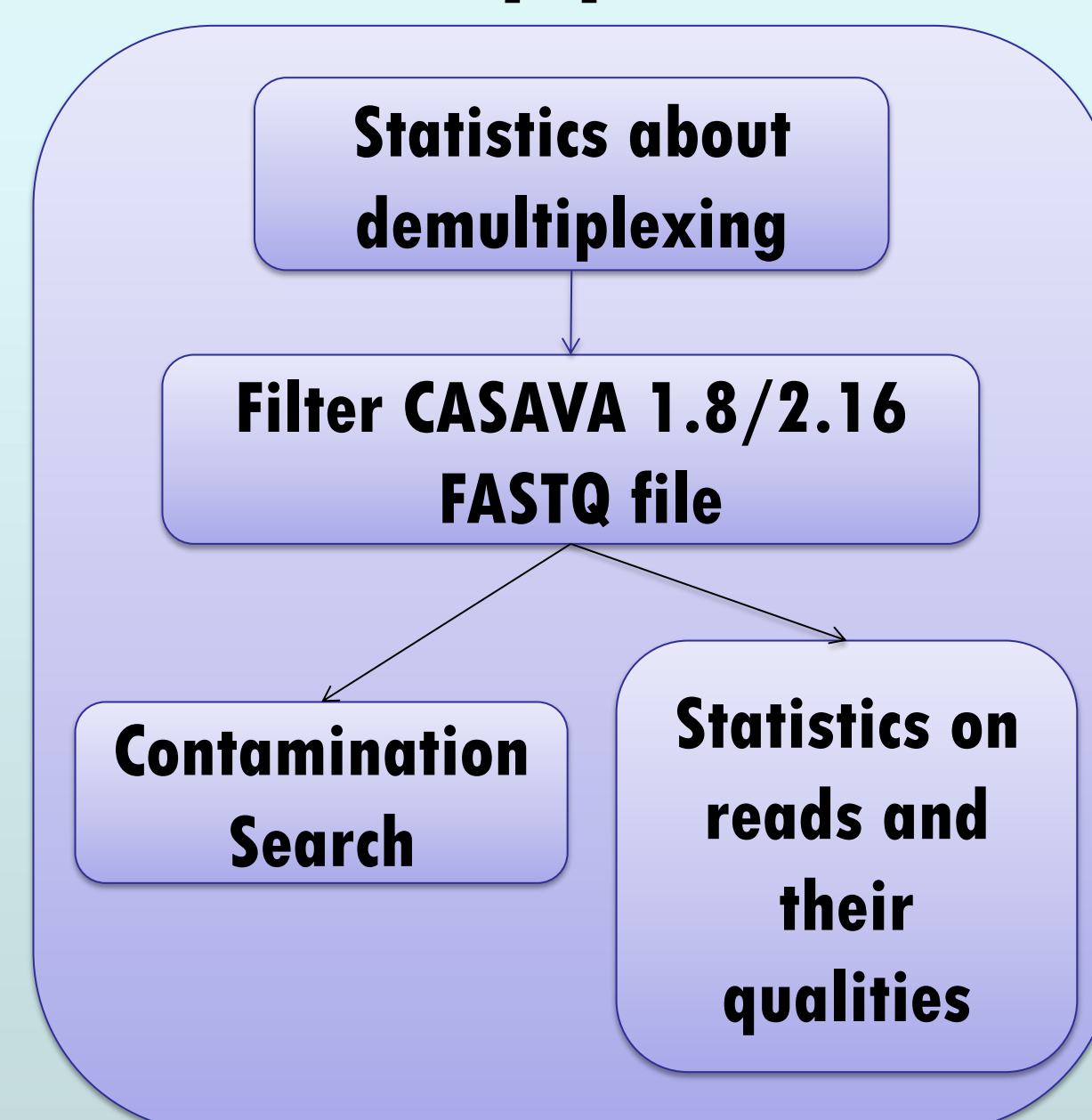


Data quality analysis

Storage of raw reads and quality control results

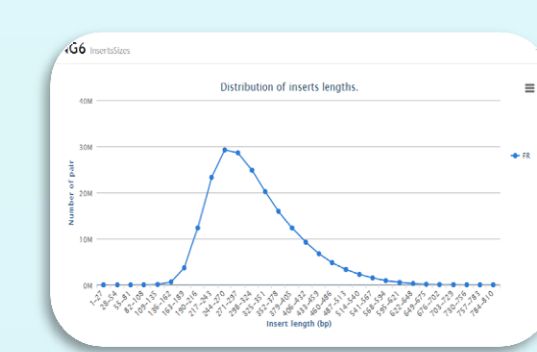
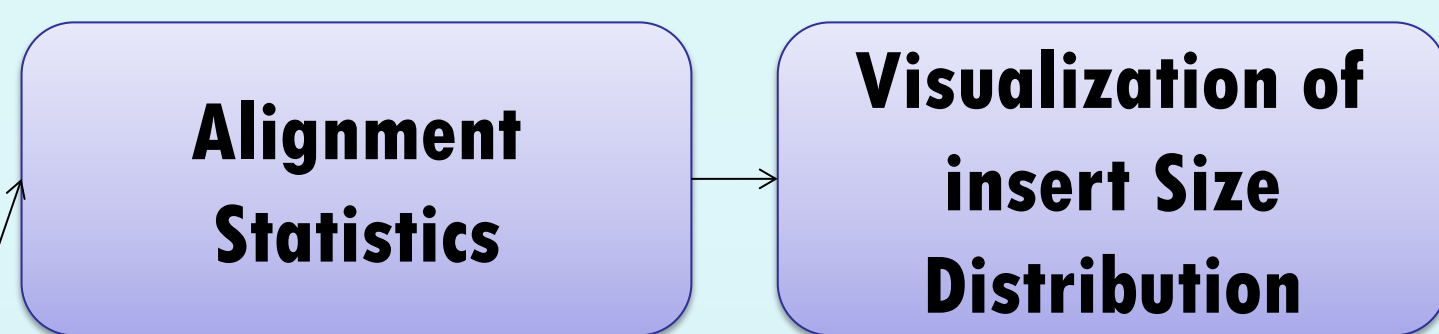
Main quality control workflows for Illumina's data

Core pipeline

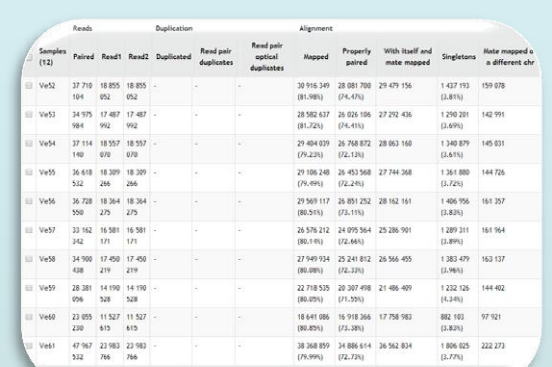


These NGS pipelines are provided by NG6¹, an information system built upon the jflow workflow management system.

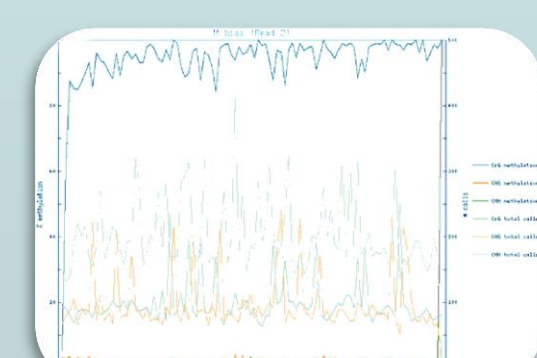
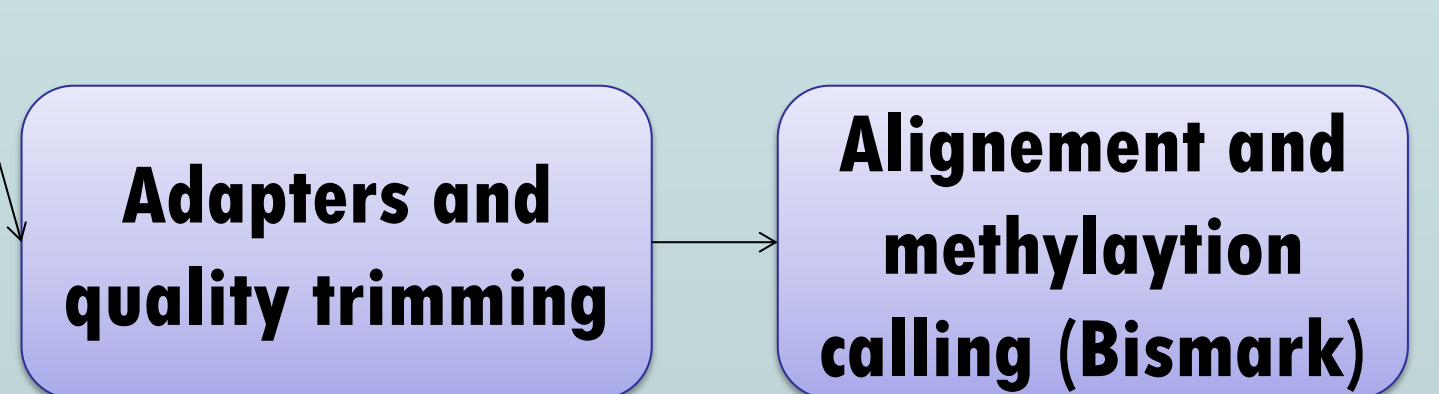
DNA or RNA Resequencing



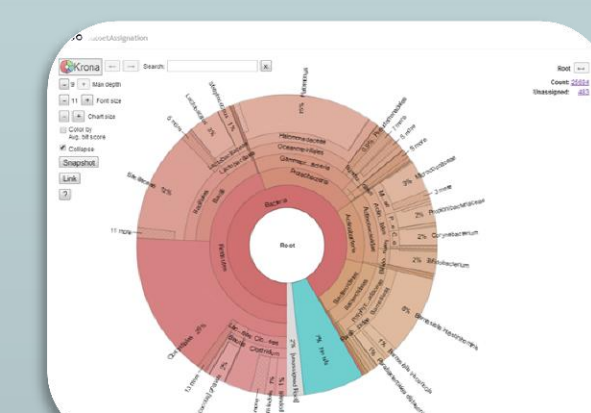
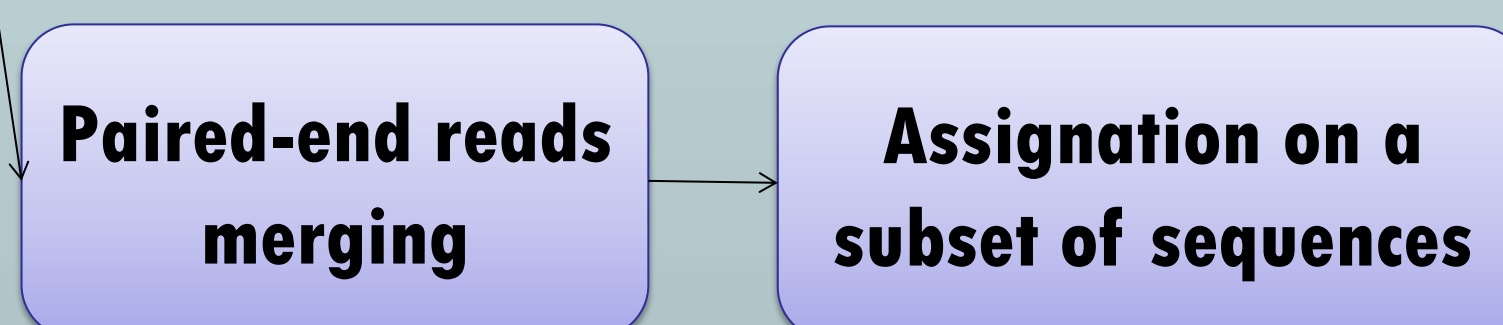
Mate Pair Sequencing



Whole Genome Bisulfite Sequencing



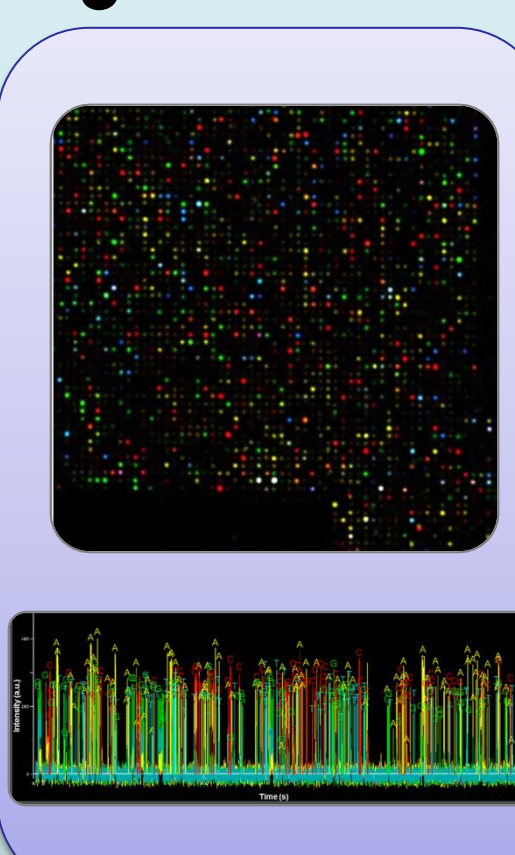
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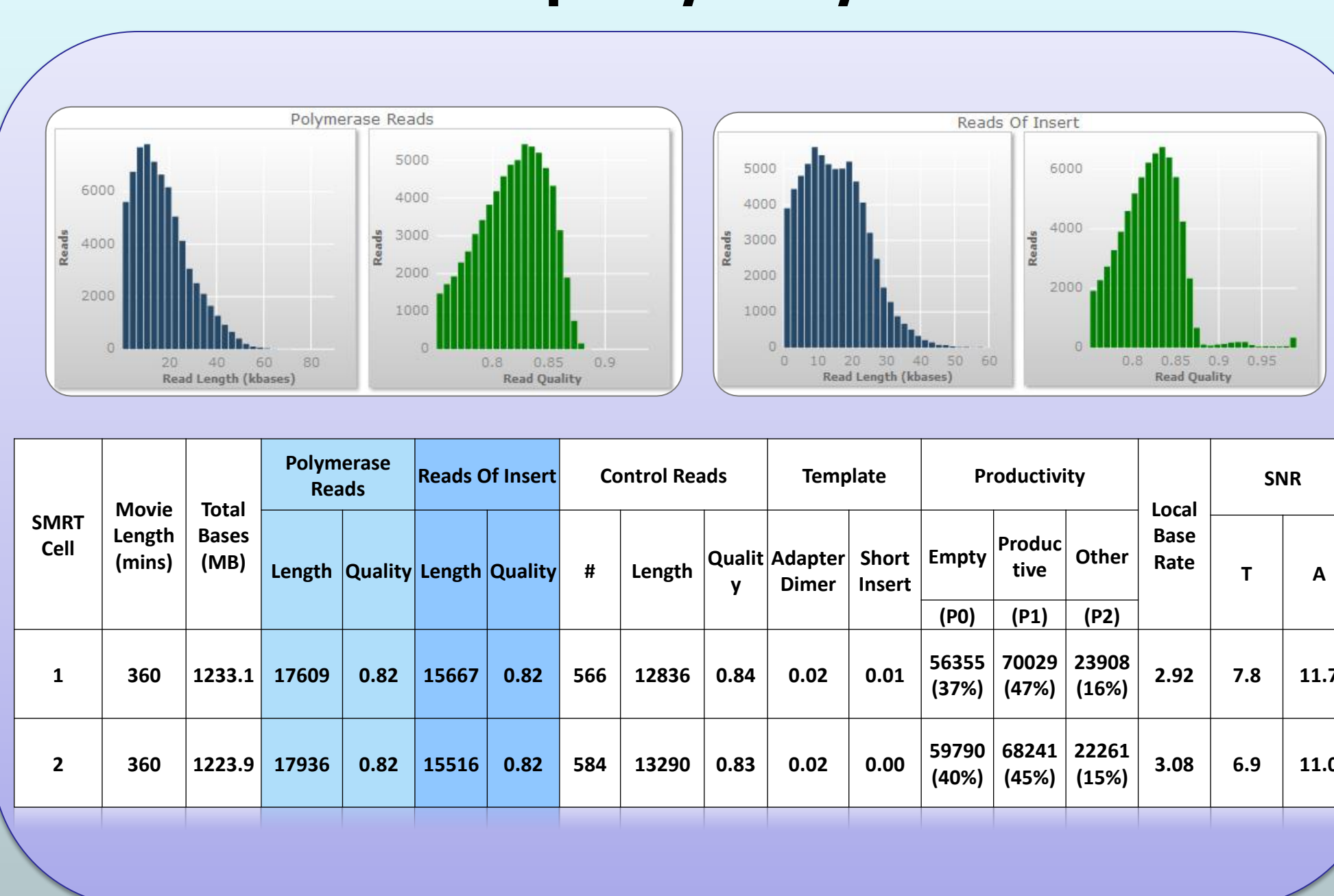
For every specific protocol, a new workflow is built with jflow components, based on open source software or our in-house tools.
Upcoming : Sequencing RNA/DNA from a unique cell obtained with the C1 technology (Fluidigm)

Under integration in NG6 : Main quality control workflows for PacBio's data

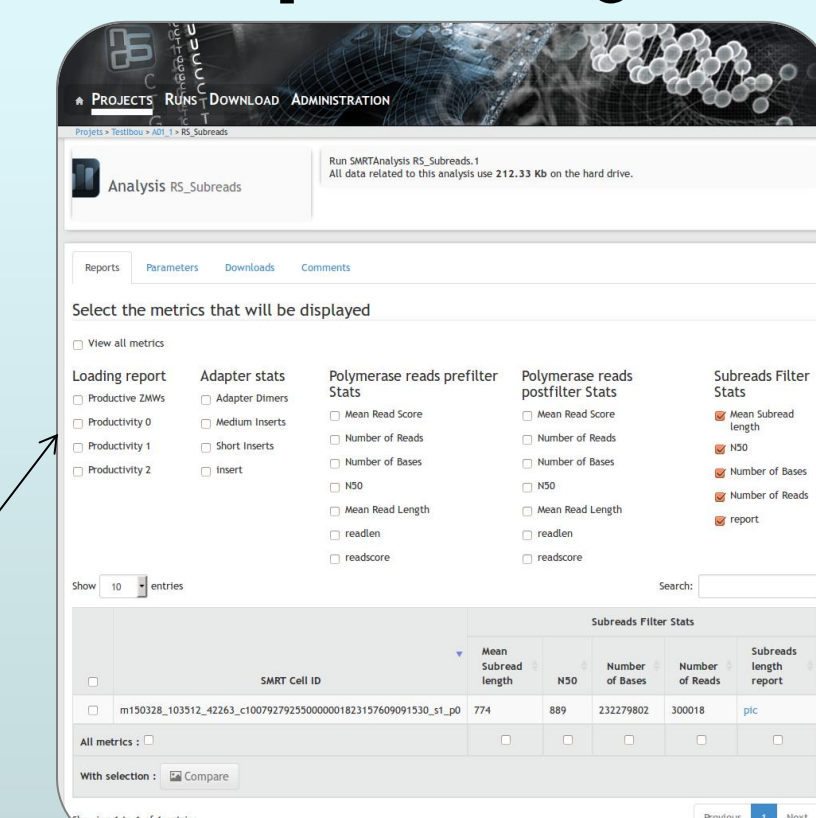
Sequencing / H5 Files generation



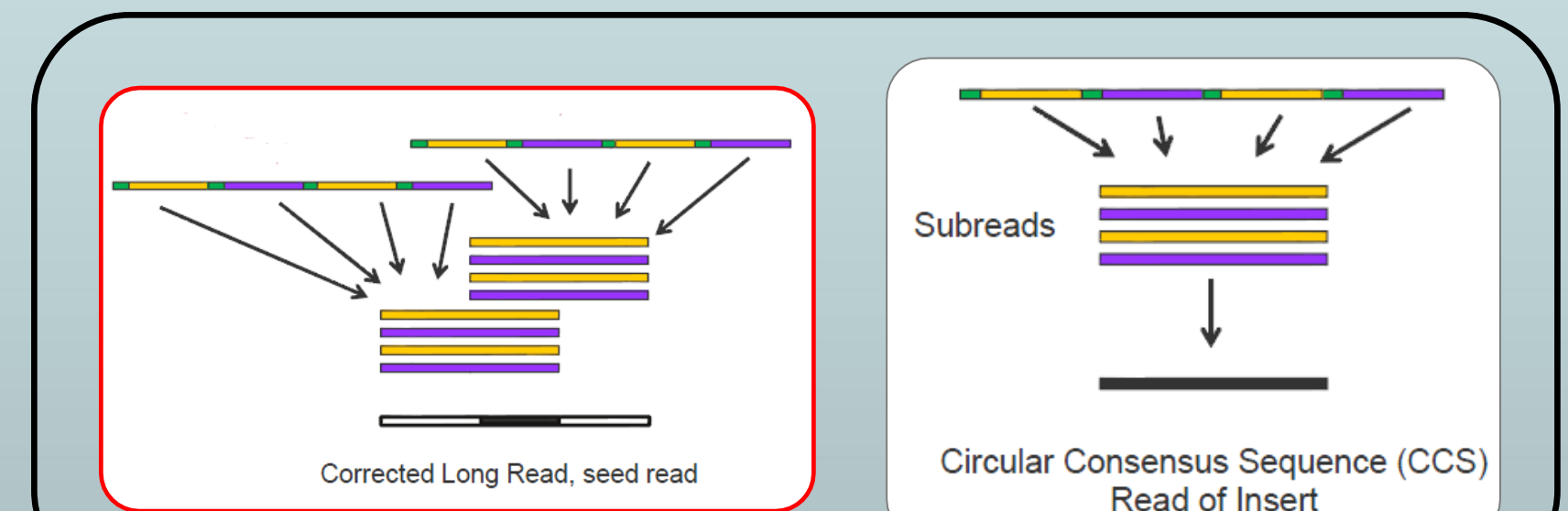
Data quality analysis*



Import in ng6



Possibility of Reads Correction*



* Executed by SMRT-Analysis, a Pacific Biosciences's software

Upcoming : A new LIMS for NGS samples, sequencing and analysis tracking



Data available on a common website with Genotoul Bioinformatics
Facility : <http://ng6.toulouse.inra.fr/>

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