



Maximizing Public Data Sources for Sequencing and GWAS

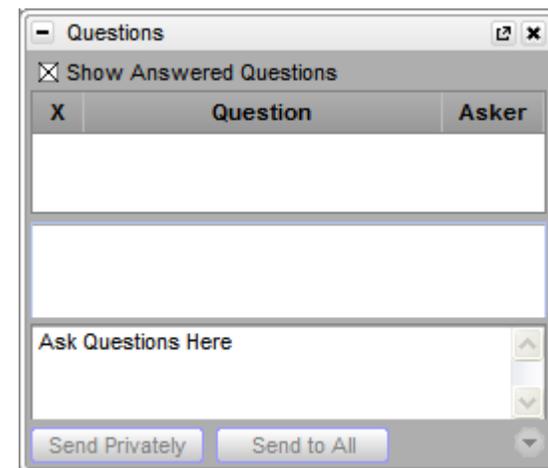
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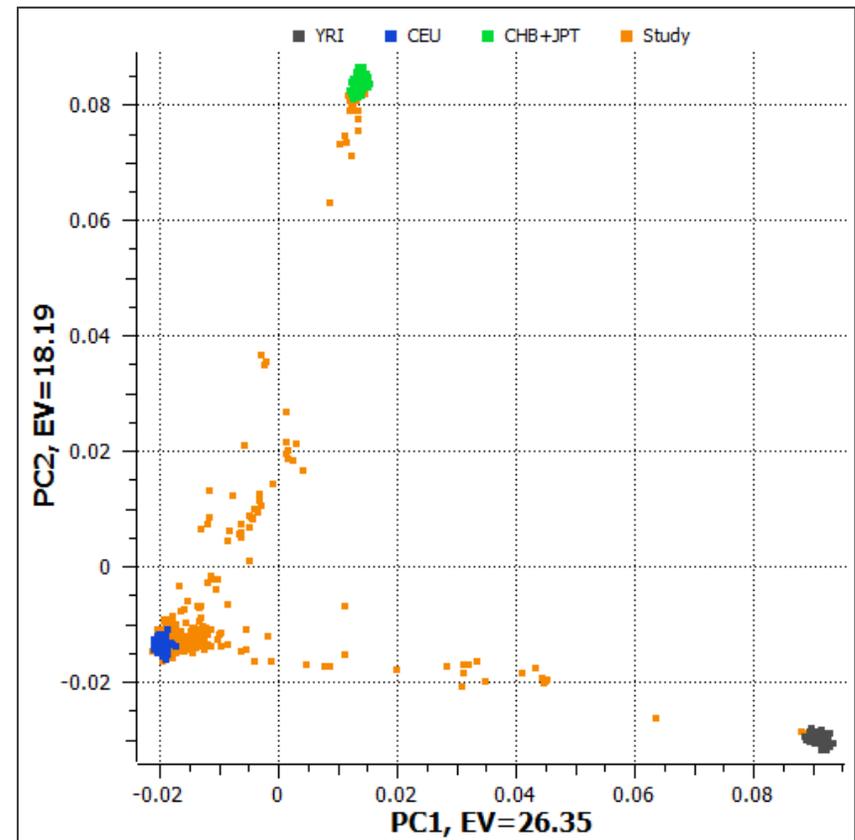
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Why Use Public Data?



- Reference samples for assessing population structure in GWAS
- Replicating results of your own GWAS or other research
- Meta-analysis or Mega-analysis
- Testing new analytical methods
- Reference data for SNP imputation
- Increase study size with public controls



Sources of Public Data



- **NCBI**
 - dbGaP
 - GEO
 - SRA
- **EGA**
- **HapMap Project**
- **1000 Genomes Project**
- **Hardware vendors**
- **Software vendors**
- **All over the internet...**



dbGaP

The database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP) was developed to archive and distribute the results of studies that have investigated the interaction of genotype and phenotype.

- **“Database of Genotypes and Phenotypes”**
- **435 studies in database (as of January 28th)**
- **Known primarily as a GWAS database, but NGS content is growing**
- **Freely view and download results for many studies**
- **Access to raw phenotype and genotype data requires application process**

435 Studies in dbGaP (January 28th)



GWAS Platforms

■ Affymetrix

- SNP-6.0: 51
- 500k: 15

■ Illumina

- HumanHap550: 37
- HumanHap300: 13
- HumanCNV370: 11
- Human610: 35
- Human660: 26
- Omni1: 22
- Omni2.5: 14
- Human_1M: 12

■ Perlegen

- 600k: 4

NGS Platforms

■ 454: 22

■ GA-II: 49

■ HiSeq 2000: 72

■ HiSeq 2500: 3



dbGaP Tools



■ GaP Browser

- View GWAS study results in context of other genomic annotations

■ GaP Genome Browser

- Karyotype views of GWAS study results

■ PheGenI

- “Phenotype-Genotype Integrator”
- Search NHGRI and dbGaP study results by phenotype or by gene
- Annotated results with links to abstracts and/or dbGaP study pages.

The screenshot displays the PheGenI Phenotype-Genotype Integrator interface. At the top, there is a search bar with a dropdown menu set to 'All Databases' and buttons for 'Search' and 'Clear'. Below the search bar is a 'Search Summary' section with a dropdown arrow. Under 'Search Criteria', the 'Phenotype Selection' is defined as: Trait: Prostatic Neoplasms, P-Value: $< 1 \times 10^{-7}$, and Source: dbGap. A 'Modify Search' button is located below the search criteria. The 'Search Results' section shows a summary table with the following rows:

Category	Count	Description
Association Results	1 - 20 of 20	Searched by phenotype trait, P-Value, and Source.
Genes	1 - 12 of 12	Searched by gene IDs retrieved from association results.
SNPs	1 - 10 of 10	Searched by SNP rs numbers retrieved from association results.
eQTL Data	No data found.	Searched by SNP rs numbers retrieved from association results and P-Value.
dbGaP Studies	1 - 12 of 12	Searched by traits retrieved from association results.
Genome View	10 SNPs and 12 genes over 9 chromosomes.	

Below the search results, there are buttons for 'Modify Search', 'Show All', and 'Hide All'. The 'Search Criteria' section is expanded, showing 'Association Results' with a dropdown arrow. Below this, there is a 'Download' and 'Modify Search' button. The main table displays the following data:

#	Trait	rs #	Context	Gene	Location	P-value	Source	Study	PubMed
1	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs2033518	intergenic	RPS8P6, RPSAP32	3: 467,783	3.369×10^{-15}	dbGaP	phs000007	17903305
2	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs2033518	intergenic	RPS8P6, RPSAP32	3: 467,783	3.369×10^{-15}	dbGaP	phs000342	17903305
3	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs10483549	intergenic	FSCB, C14orf28	14: 45,334,026	1.167×10^{-10}	dbGaP	phs000007	17903305
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8	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs10519485	intron	UBE3A	15: 25,602,101	2.035×10^{-10}	dbGaP	phs000342	17903305
9	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs1778329	intron	PIP4K2A	10: 22,926,034	4.181×10^{-10}	dbGaP	phs000007	17903305
10	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs1778329	intron	PIP4K2A	10: 22,926,034	4.181×10^{-10}	dbGaP	phs000342	17903305
11	Prostatic Neoplasms	rs4740951	intron	DMRT1	9: 864,834	4.887×10^{-10}	dbGaP	phs000007	17903305

Applying for dbGaP data



- **Each application is reviewed by a “DAC,” or data access committee**
 - I’ve seen approval time range from 1 to 8+ weeks.
- **Keep proposals relatively simple**
 - Read the instructions and be sure that your application is complete before submitting
 - Contact DAC before submitting if you have special needs or concerns
- **Some datasets require IRB approval to access**
 - Waiver letter is often sufficient
- **Pay attention to data embargoes**
- **External collaborators and contractors must apply separately for access**
- **Pay attention to consent groups**
 - General research use
 - Non-commercial use
 - Disease-specific use

Using dbGaP Data



- **Know what you are getting—read the documentation!**
 - Original study design
 - Data processing and formats
- **Be patient and thorough as you explore the data--treat it like fresh new data and don't assume that it is "clean."**
- **Phenotype data is usually stored in text files, often with a separate data dictionary.**
 - Read the documentation!
- **Carefully review phenotype data for completeness and consistency.**
 - Data from multi-center projects can be particularly problematic

Using dbGaP Data, continued



- **Many studies include three levels of genotype data:**
 - Raw data
 - CEL or iDat files
 - Hardest to use
 - Processed data
 - Genotype calls or Log Ratio values
 - Individual and/or matrix formats
 - QC'ed data
 - As used for the public analysis results
 - Easiest to use (usually in a format supported directly by SVS)

- **Start from the raw or minimally processed data and do your own QC whenever possible.**

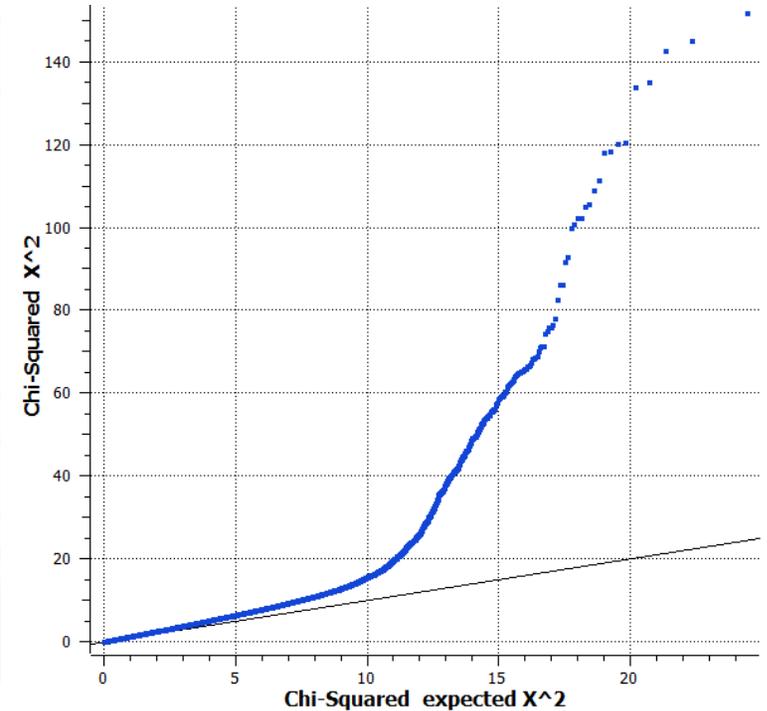
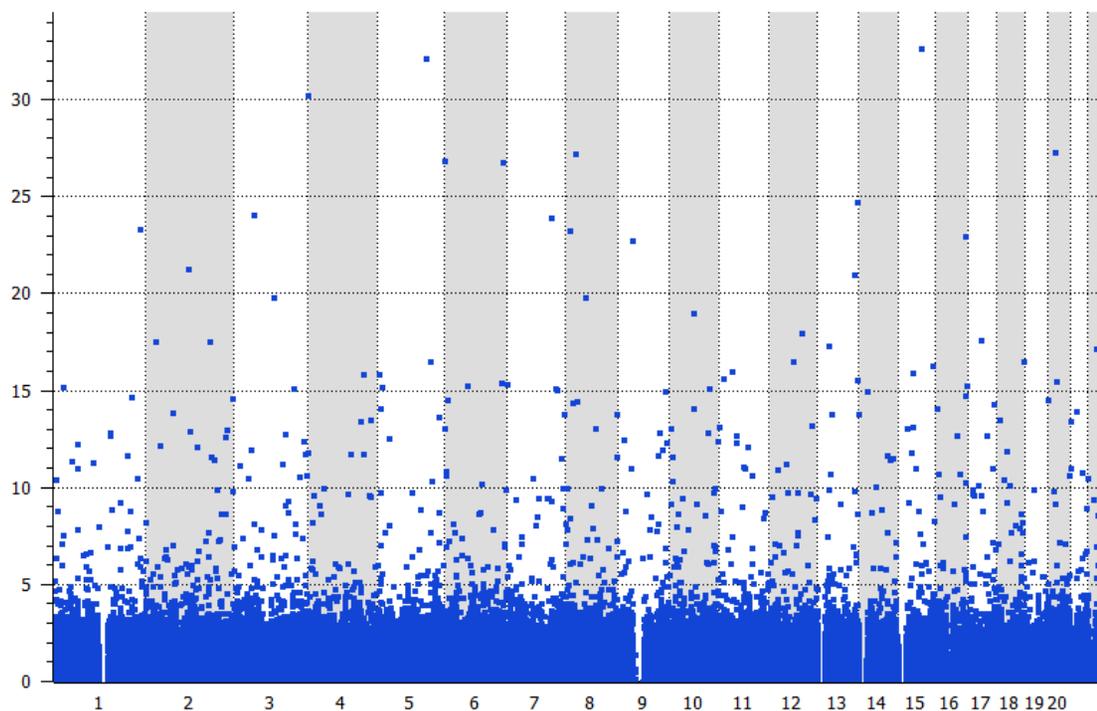
The “Gotchas”



A sampling of issues GHI has observed in dbGaP and elsewhere:

- **Gender discrepancies**
- **Cryptic relatedness**
- **Phenotype data formatted differently between sample groups in a study**
- **Incomplete matching of subjects between raw and processed genotype data.**
 - Example: 500 with raw data, 510 with processed data, 495 with both.
- **Nsp/Sty mismatches in Affy 500k data**
- **Batch effects processed genotypes**

Example of Batch Effects in a Multi-Center Study



- Caucasian controls from one center have very different allele frequencies than the Caucasian controls from another center...

GEO – Gene Expression Omnibus



- **“GEO is a public functional genomics data repository... Tools are provided to help users query and download experiments and curated gene expression profiles.”**
- **Primarily a gene expression database, but also includes extensive genotype data**
- **Data access:**
 - “Anybody can access and download public GEO data. There are no login requirements.”
 - “NCBI places no restrictions on the use or distribution of the GEO data. However, some submitters may claim patent, copyright, or other intellectual property rights in all or a portion of the data they have submitted.”

GEO Data Profile



- **3413 studies, 1335 with human data (1239 mouse, 311 rat, etc.)**
- **Genotype data among the human datasets:**
 - 730 datasets flagged as containing some SNP array data
 - 11,715 samples among 200 data series for Affy 6.0
 - 9689 samples in 152 series for Affy 250k-Nsp
 - 1757 samples in 26 series for Illumina Omni-1
 - 1245 samples in 11 series for Illumina 550k
- **Sample sizes are generally much smaller than with dbGaP**
- **Many studies are based on somatic tissues**
- **GEO database structure is sample oriented, very detailed, and very different from dbGaP**

GEO: Browsing the Database



- **Browse data by platform to get data for every sample or study to use a particular chip.**
 - 762 samples in 24 studies using Illumina Human1M-Duo.
- **Browse by study design to get data for similar types of studies.**
 - 403 results for “SNP genotyping by SNP array.”
 - 654 results for “Genome variation profiling by SNP array.”

GEO Accession viewer x
www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GPL8887

NCBI > GEO > Accession Display

Scope: Self Format: HTML Amount: Quick GEO accession: GPL8887 GO

Platform GPL8887 Query DataSets for GPL8887

Status	Public on Jul 27, 2009
Title	Illumina Human610-Quad v1.0 BeadChip
Technology type	oligonucleotide beads
Distribution	custom-commercial
Organism	Homo sapiens
Manufacturer	Illumina, Inc.
Manufacture protocol	See manufacturer's website

Submission date Jul 20, 2009
Last update date May 24, 2013
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- GSE17205 Illumina HapMap CEU (Human610-Quadv1)
- GSE17206 Illumina HapMap CHB and JPT (Human610-Quadv1)
- GSE17207 Illumina HapMap YRI (Human610-Quadv1)
- GSE19349 Genotyping and analysis of chromosome copy number variation (CNV) from pediatric primary intracranial germ cell tumor
- GSE19350 Array-based bioinformatic analysis on pediatric primary central nervous system germ cell tumors
- GSE19385 Genotyping in Neuroblastoma Primary tumors
- GSE21097 Acquired chromosome abnormalities in the lungs of patients with Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (Illumina)
- GSE21248 Genome-wide Patterns of Population Structure and Admixture among Hispanic/Latino Populations

Using GEO Data



- **GEO is a good resource for test data and reference data.**
- **There are a few large GWAS studies, but not many.**
- **GEO has several human diversity reference panels available for various genotyping arrays.**
 - Illumina posts HapMap data there for many of their arrays.
 - Other diversity panels from NIA, Mayo, others.
- **Raw and processed data formats are usually available.**
- **“Series Matrix File” is a plain text format that is fairly easy to work with.**

SRA: Sequence Read Archive



Sequence Read Archive

- **SRA...**
 - “Archives raw oversampling NGS data for various genomes from several platforms”
 - “Shares NGS data with EMBL and DDBJ”
 - “Serves as a starting point for ‘secondary analysis’”
 - Provides access to data from human clinical samples to authorized users who agree to the dataset’s privacy and usage mandates.”
- **SRA primarily stores reads reads (SRA/fastq) and alignments (BAM)**
- **SRA hosts sequence data for some dbGaP and EGA studies**
 - Data not part of public SRA, but searchable summaries do appear on SRA.
- **PubMed abstracts can be linked to research data on SRA**

Our Team's Experience with SRA



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying 'blog.goldenhelix.com'. The page features a blue header with the text 'our 2 snps...' and 'A BLOG BY GOLDEN HELIX'. Below the header is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Authors', and '@gabeinformatics'. The main content area displays a blog post by Andrew Jesaitis, dated January 21, 2014. The post title is 'Turning SRA Files Into Usable BAMs and VCFs'. The text describes a webcast where Greta Linse Peterson discussed bovine data from the NCBI website, which was converted from SRA format to BAMs and merged into a VCF file for analysis. A screenshot of a genomic alignment tool is shown, with a caption explaining it displays exomes of three species aligned to the Bos taurus UMD 3.1 reference sequence. To the right of the post is a search bar and an 'About' section. The 'About' section welcomes readers to the 'Our 2 SNPs...' blog by Golden Helix, a leading bioinformatics company, and provides contact information for further inquiries. Below the 'About' section is a 'Follow...' link.

- A recent Golden Helix webcast featured bison and cattle sequence data from SRA. Read about it on our blog!

EGA: European Genome-Phenome Archive



The European Bioinformatics Institute

Part of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory

- **European equivalent of dbGaP**
- **Many EGA datasets are searchable on dbGaP**
- **May be most familiar as the repository for the WTCCC GWAS data**
- **From 2013 IGES talk by Justin Paschall:**
 - Over 450 studies in EGA
 - Extensive sequence data, including 110k BAM files and 35k fastq
 - Current submission rate of about 30TB/month
- **From personal experience: don't forget to request the decryption key...**

A Few More Sources



- **Illumina provides example data for most of their genotyping chips**
 - Complete HapMap Phase 2 populations for some, subset for others
- **Major imputation software developers have 1000 Genomes reference panels available in their preferred input formats**
 - Beagle
 - Impute2
 - MACH
- **Golden Helix offers several public datasets for download from within SVS**
 - HapMap data for various genotyping chips
 - 1000 Genomes
 - Complete Genomics

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Final Tips for Using Public Data



- **Read the documentation BEFORE you download the full archive**
- **Be vigilant with QC**
- **You can't be too careful, especially when combining data from multiple sources**
 - Start from raw data and process each source with a standard protocol. Re-calling genotypes is never a bad idea.
 - Pay special attention to strand orientation
 - Best if all sources were genotyped with the same array, but consider using imputation to combine data from mismatched arrays
 - Always adjust statistical tests for the data source
- **Examine results carefully before reporting or publishing**
 - Give special attention to results involving rare alleles.
 - If something seems fishy, it probably is.

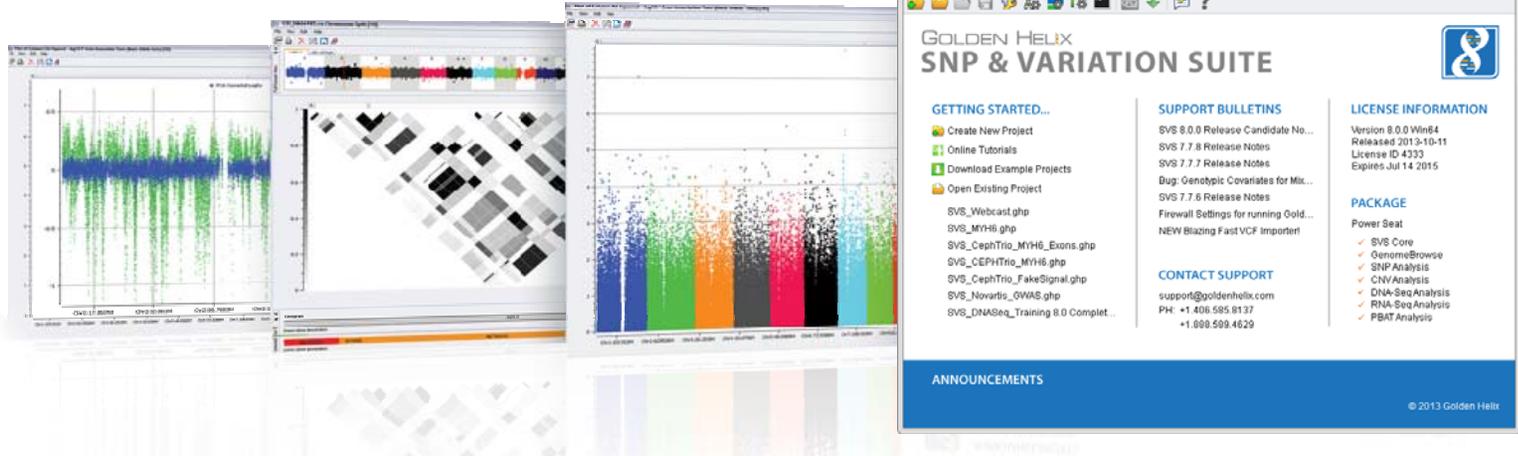
Challenges of Public Data



Some of the challenges we hear about at Golden Helix:

- **“These files are really big!”**
 - Welcome to the world of bioinformatics. Small hard drives need not apply.
- **“Do I need a Linux computer to work with dbGaP data?”**
 - No, but if you’re in Windows, you will find that a Linux emulator like CygWin is very useful for manipulating the data. Compression utilities like WinRar and 7-Zip may also be helpful.
- **“There are a bunch of different data formats here...”**
 - Many of the standard formats you find on dbGaP and elsewhere can be read by SVS. Contact us if you’re not sure about a particular file—we might already have an import script that will work with it.
- **“I can read the data in text files, but it needs some serious manipulation before I can use it.”**
 - Data manipulation? That’s one of the most powerful features in SVS...

SNP & Variation Suite (SVS)



Core Features

- Powerful Data Management
- Rich Visualizations
- Robust Statistics
- Flexible
- Easy-to-use

Applications

- Genotype Analysis
- DNA sequence analysis
- CNV Analysis
- RNA-seq differential expression
- Family Based Association



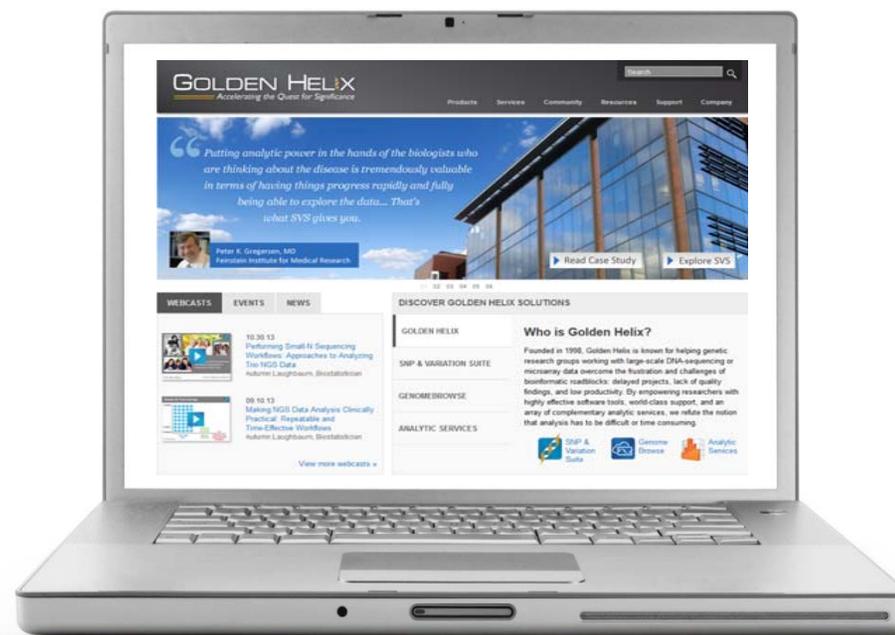
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