

# **Our Microbes: A Reference Genome Collection for the Human Microbiome**

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# Human Microbiome Project (HMP) Mission

Characterize the microbes and microbial communities that inhabit the human body

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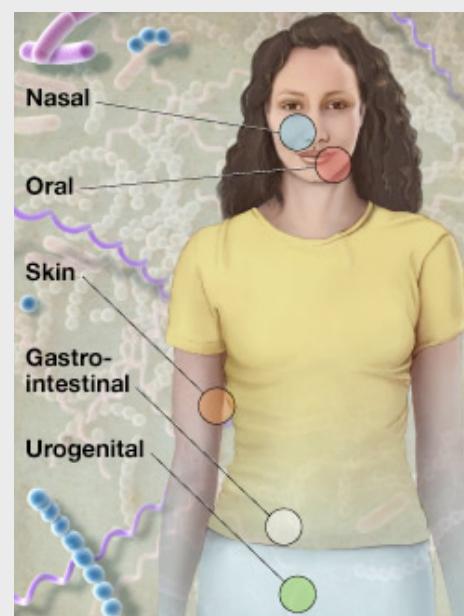


# The HMP reference collection

Four Sequencing  
Centers

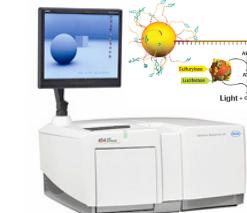
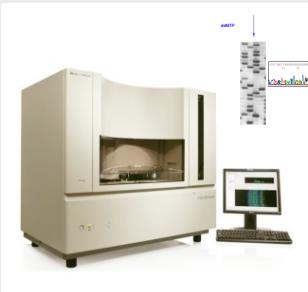


300 'Healthy' People/  
15(18) Body Sites



Evolving  
Technologies

Sanger  
30cm  
50cm



454  
FLX  
Titanium

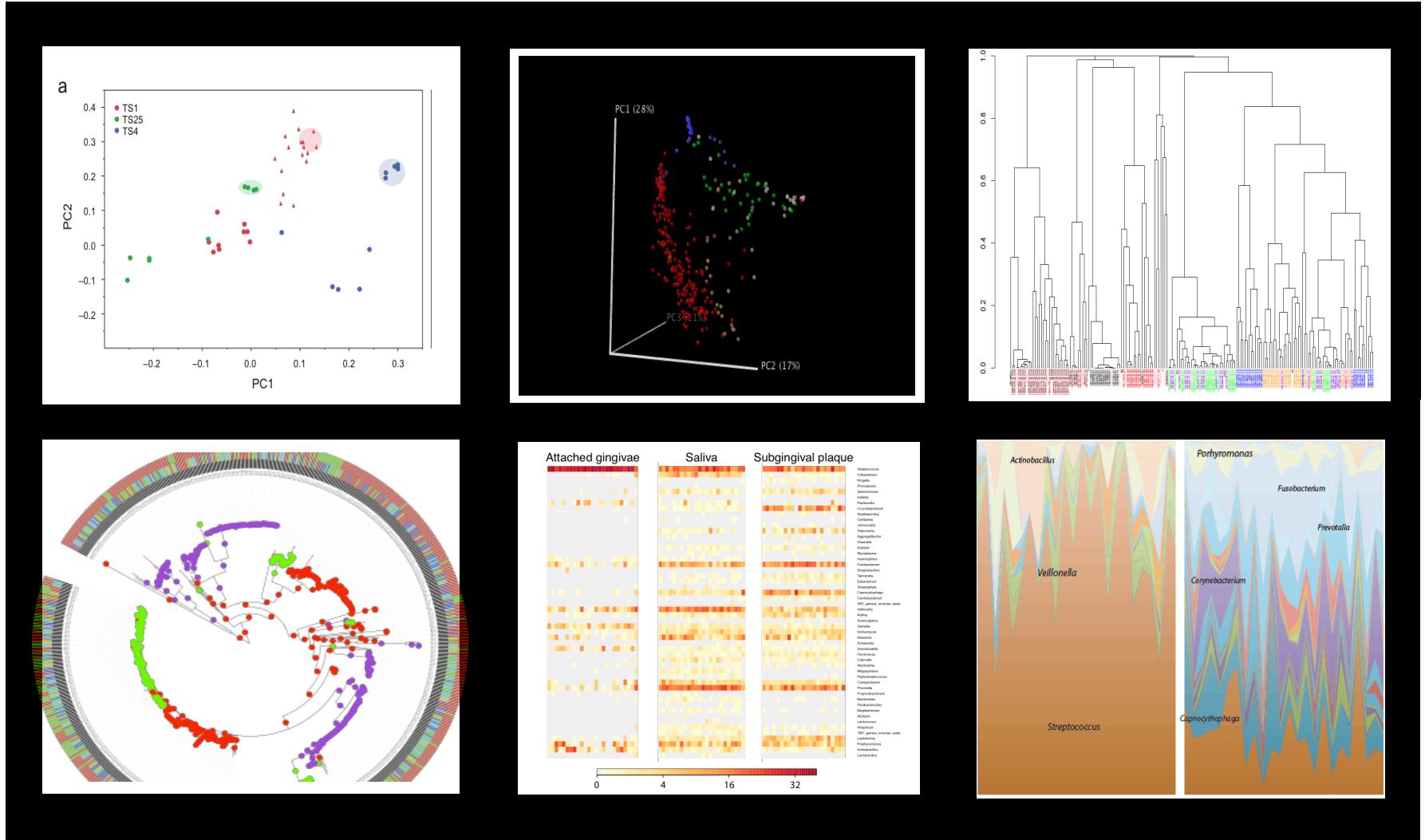
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HiSeq



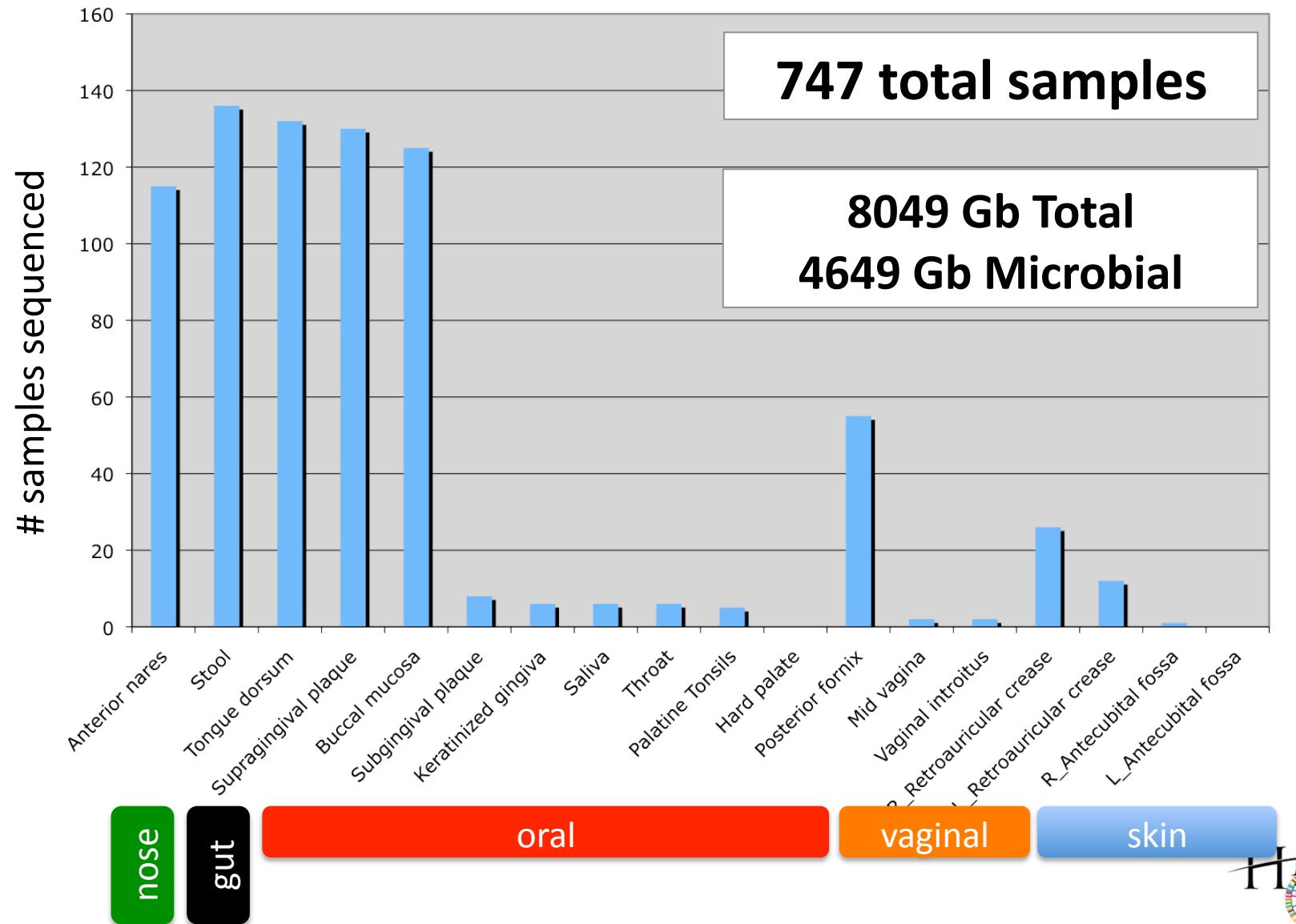
12,000 samples collected over 2 years



# Data I. Pattern finding with 16S rDNA profiles



## Data II. Gene finding with whole genome shotgun



# Data III. Inference finding with reference genomes

“Who’s got the teeth?”

**Goal: Sequence 900 ‘reference’ bacterial strains isolated from the human body**

~ Makedonka Mitreva (WashU) referring to making sense of WGS data collected from a non-gut sample

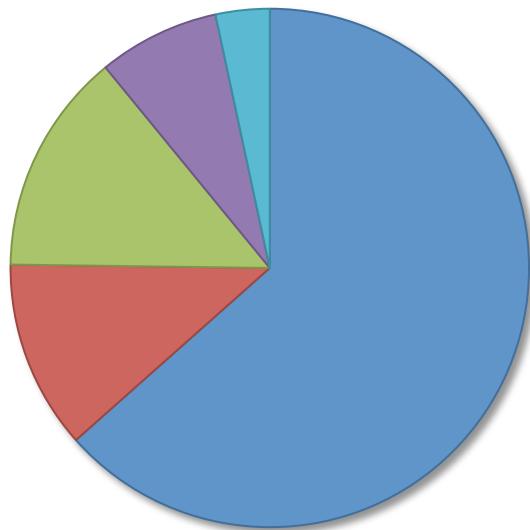


# A Catalog of Reference Genomes from the Human Microbiome

The Human Microbiome Jumpstart Reference Strains Consortium\*†

Science (2010) **328**:994-999

178 bacterial genomes



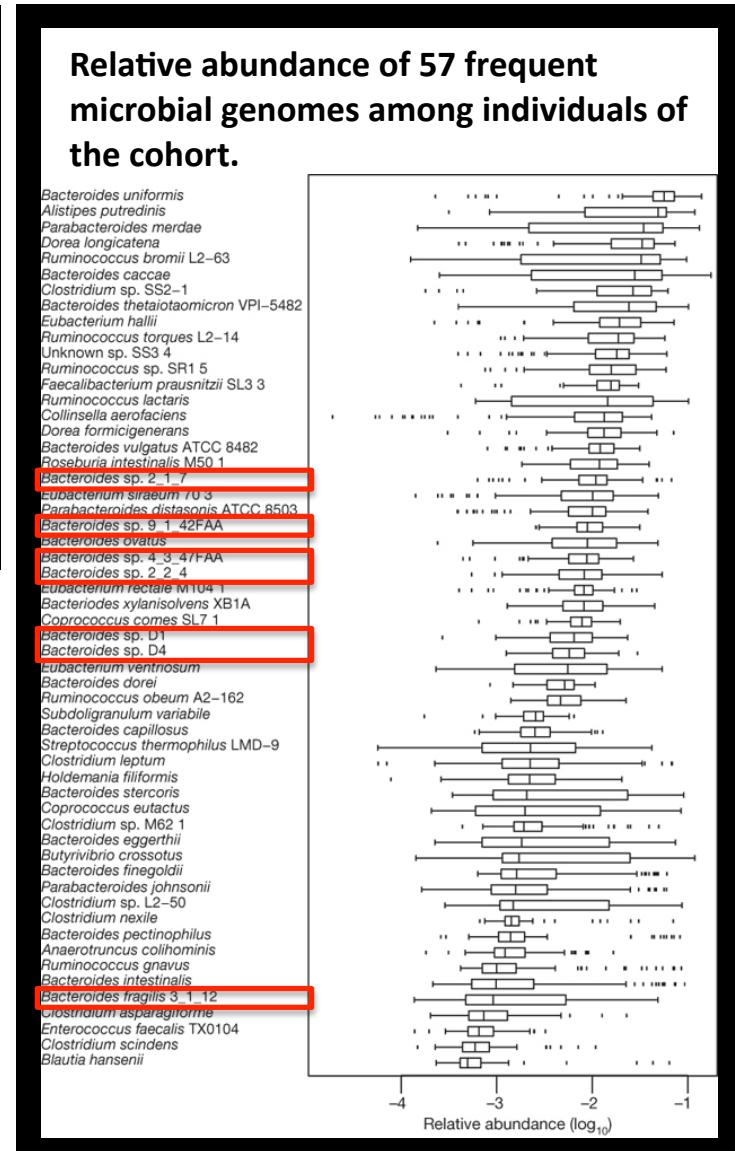
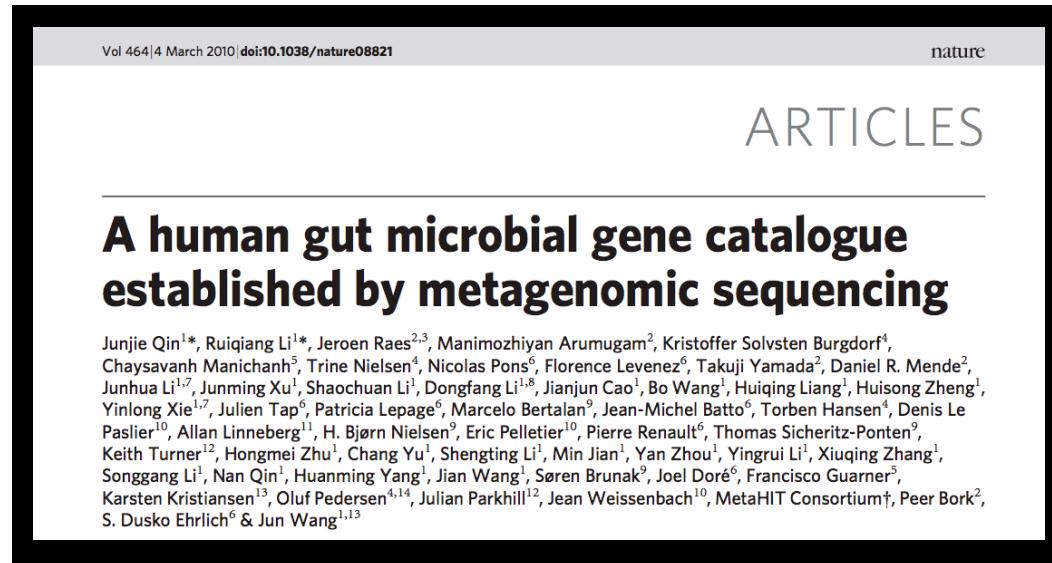
**550,000 predicted polypeptides  
30,000 novel**

- Gastrointestinal Tract
- Oral Cavity
- Urogenital/Vaginal Tract
- Skin
- Respiratory Tract

**2 domains  
9 phyla  
18 classes  
24 orders**

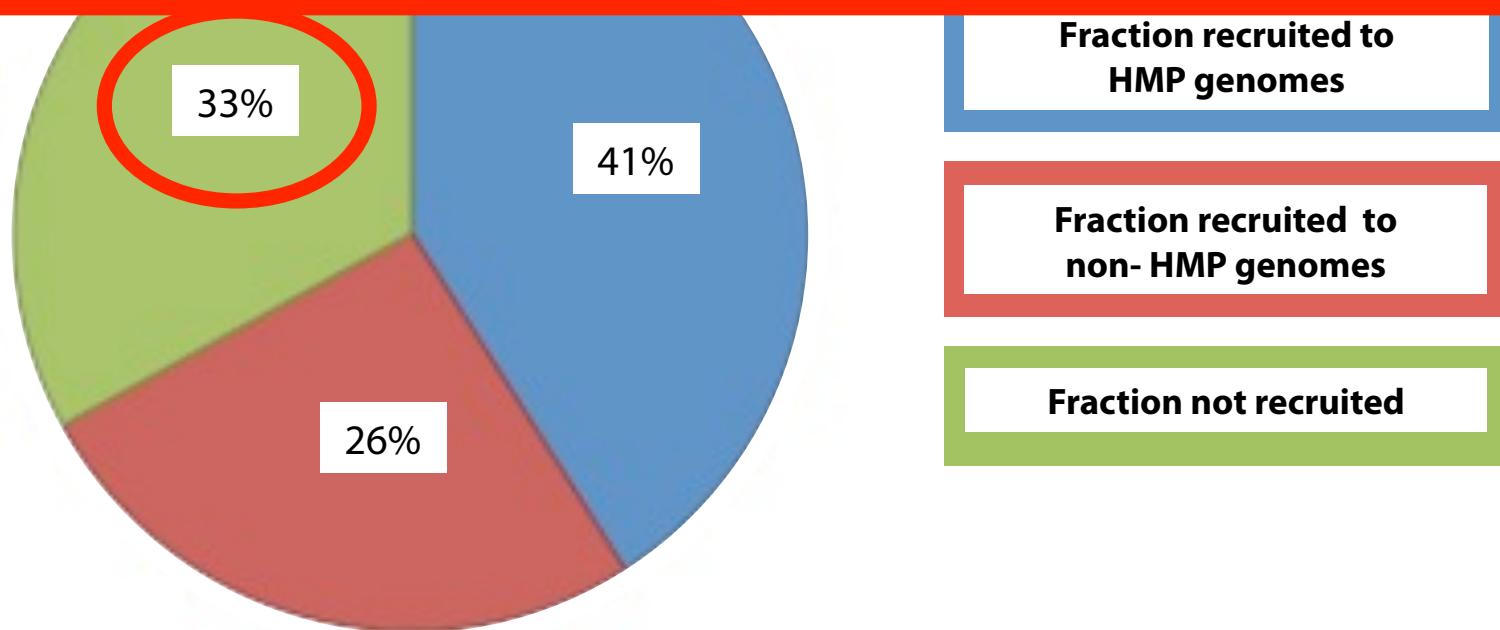


# HMP reference genomes at work!



# HMP reference genomes at work

**Current goal: Sequence 3,000  
'reference' bacterial strains isolated  
from the human body**



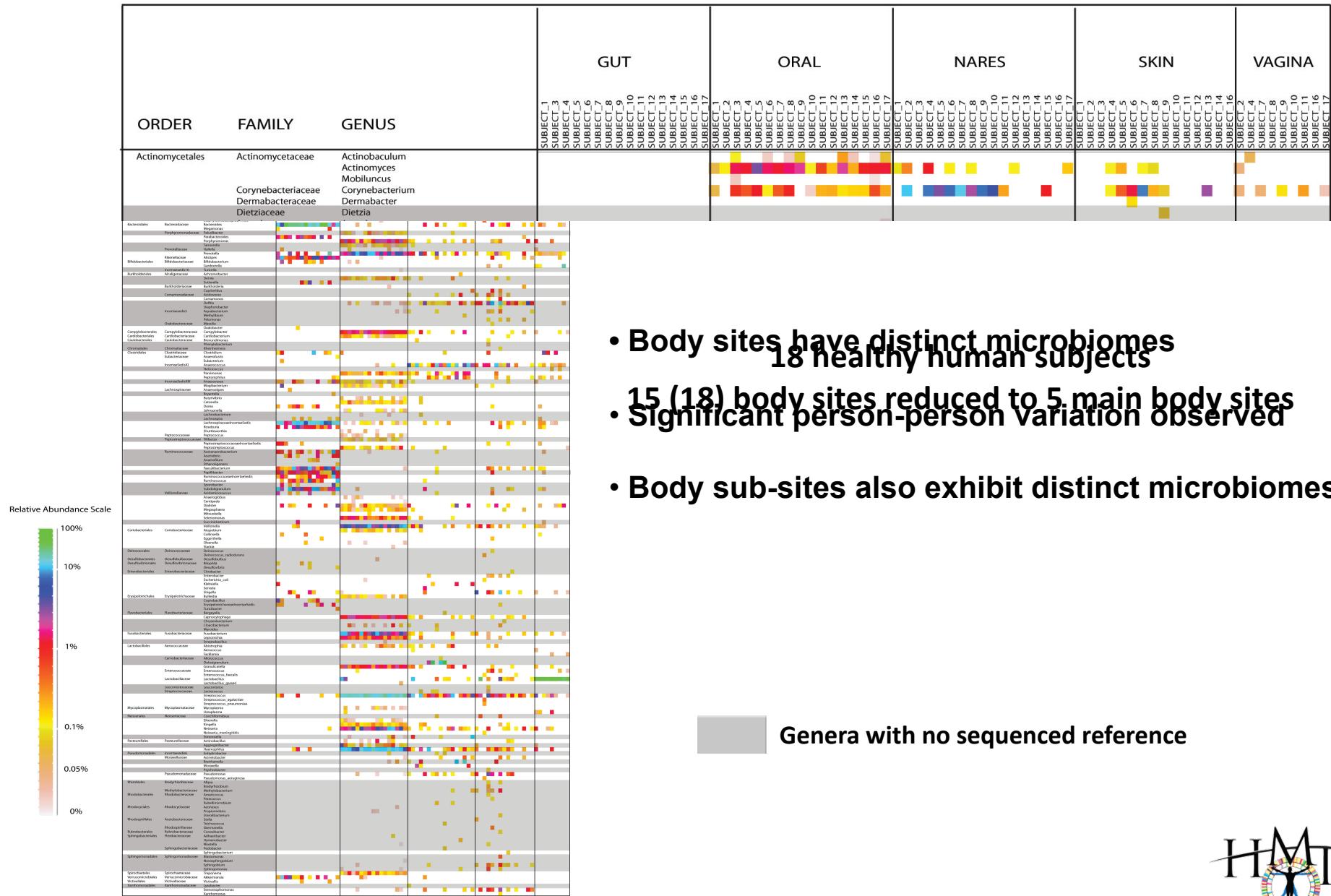
# Who's next?

- 1) unknown species, novel phylogenetic position;
- 2) strains implicated in a disease process;
- 3) previously known species, not yet sequenced;
- 4) known species, with previous genomes sequenced, but showing high sequence diversity and/or significant variation in phenotypic profiles.

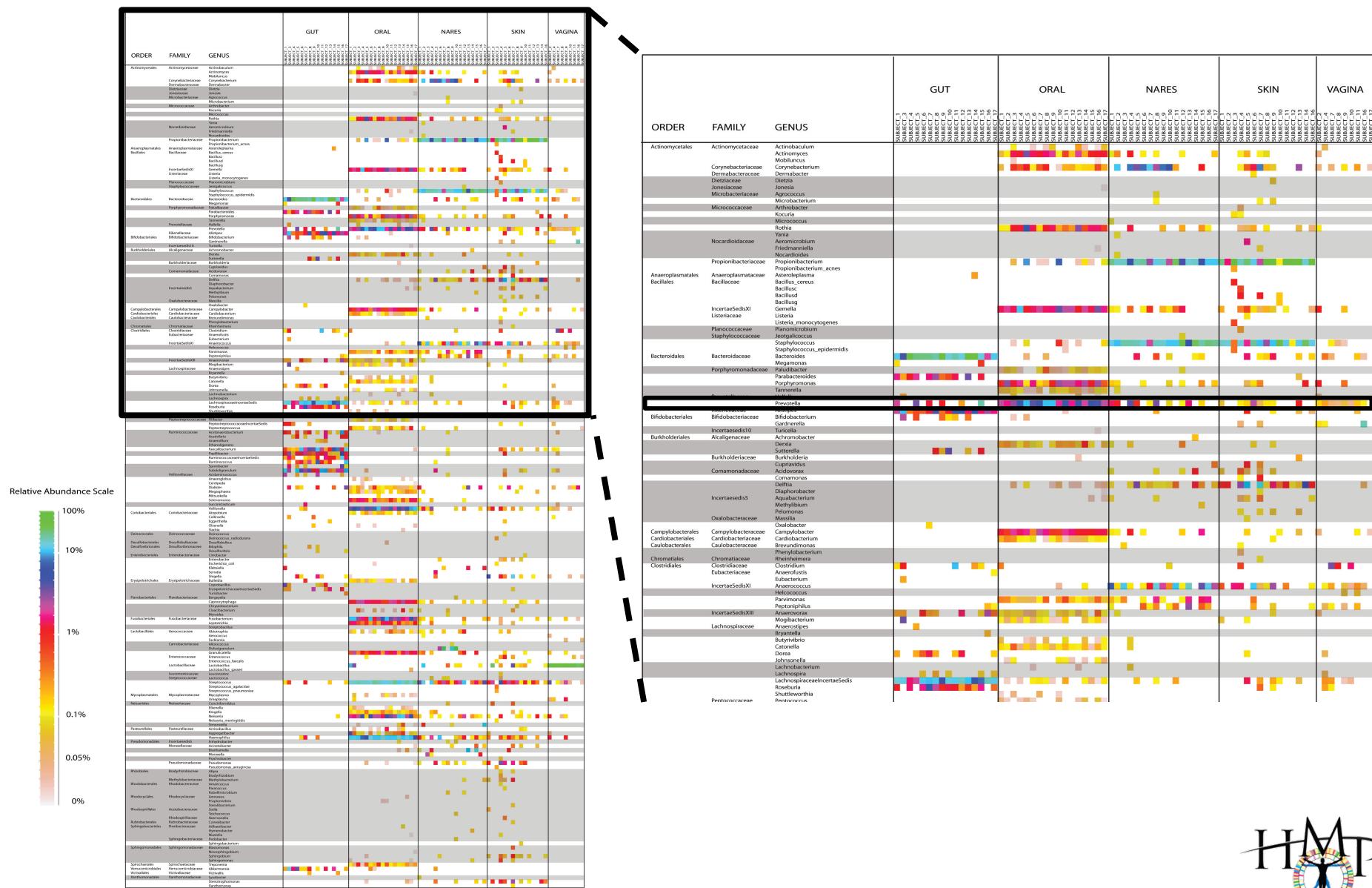
Let the 16S rDNA profiles be our guide



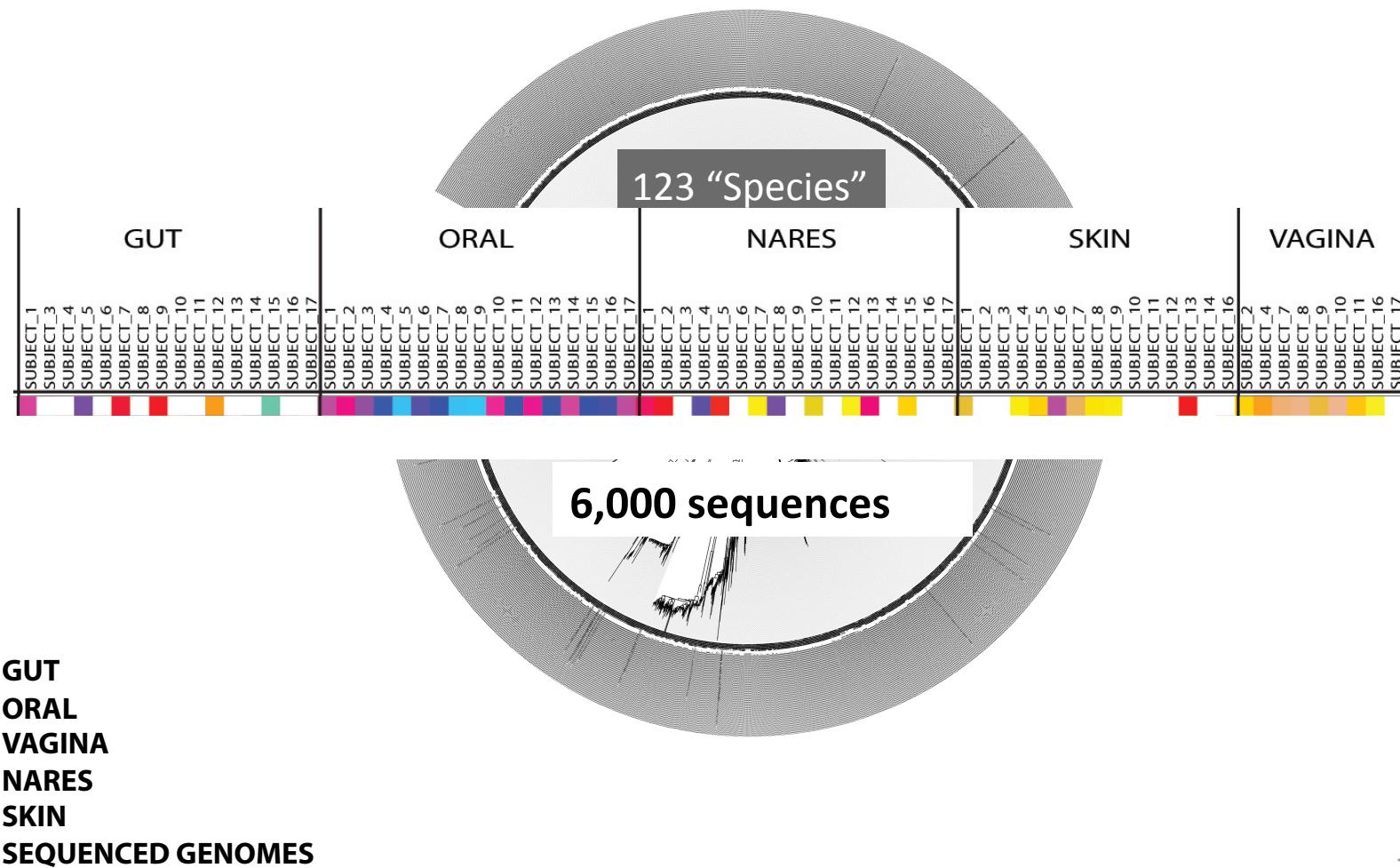
# 16S rDNA profiles from 1<sup>st</sup> 18 subjects



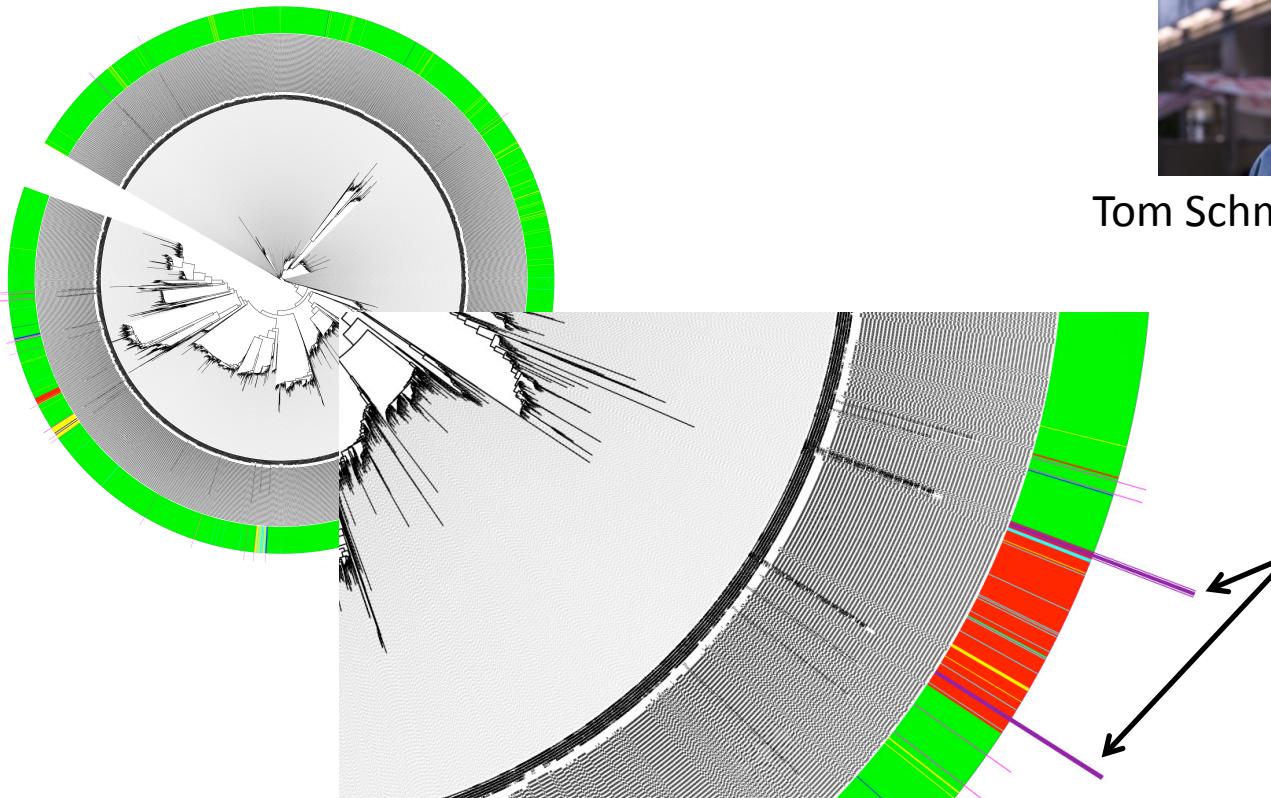
# What about diversity beyond the level of the genus?



# How diverse are these *Prevotella*?



# The community makes this work

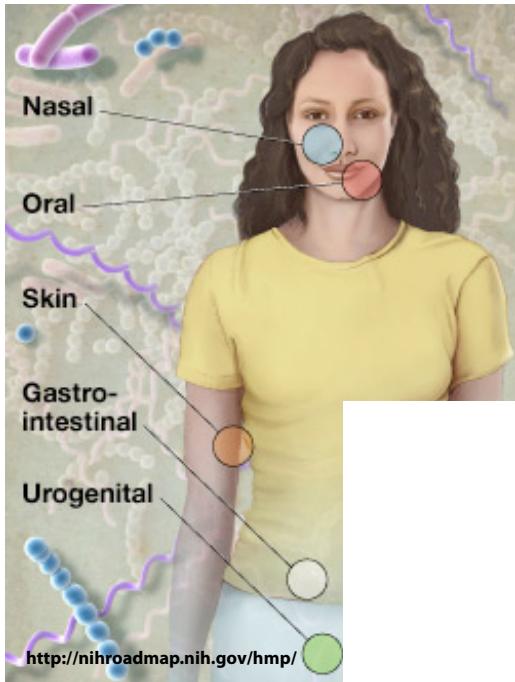


Tom Schmidt, Michigan State

16S sequences from  
Tom's gut isolate  
collection!



# The community is critical



nasal (airways)



Mike Surette

U of Calgary

Nathan Weyland, Maggie So  
Kimberlee Musser

oral



Jacques Izard  
Floyd Dewhirst  
Forsyth Institute  
Slava Epstein  
Northeastern  
Mogens Kilian  
Sue Haake



# YOU??

gastrointestinal



Tom Schmidt, U of Michigan  
Delphine Saulnier, Baylor  
Barbara Murray, Cesar Arias  
Cherie Ziemer  
Edgar Boedeker  
Glenn Songer  
Harry Flint  
Masami Morotomi



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urogenital

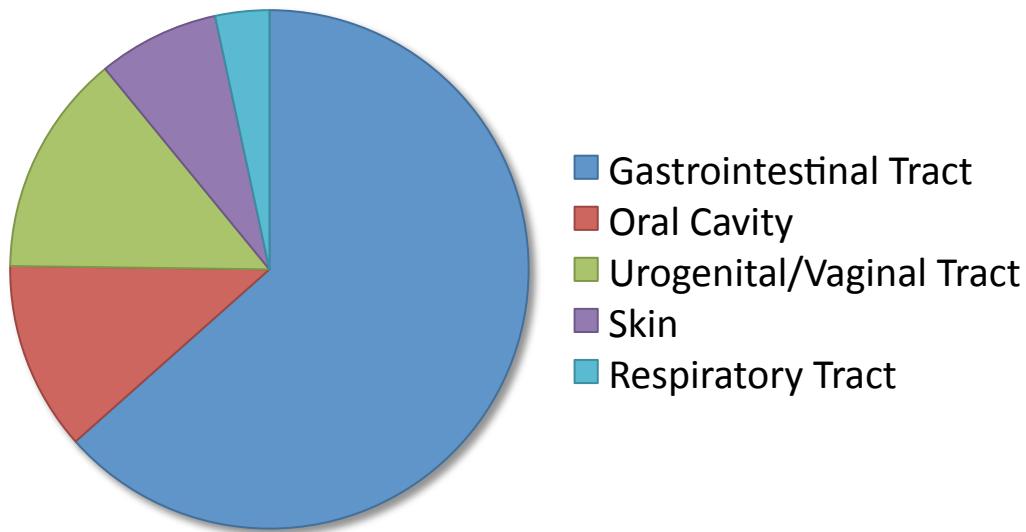
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# Rapid progress

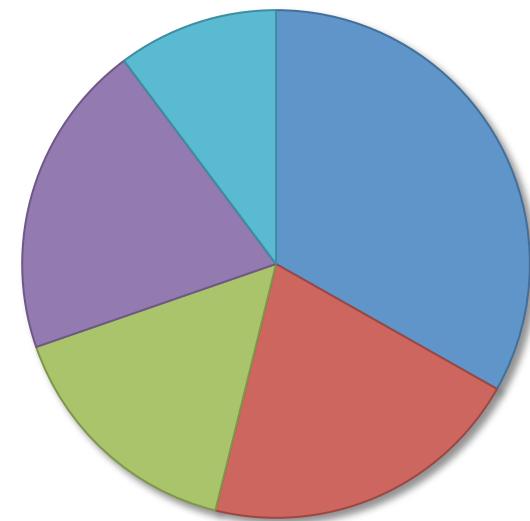
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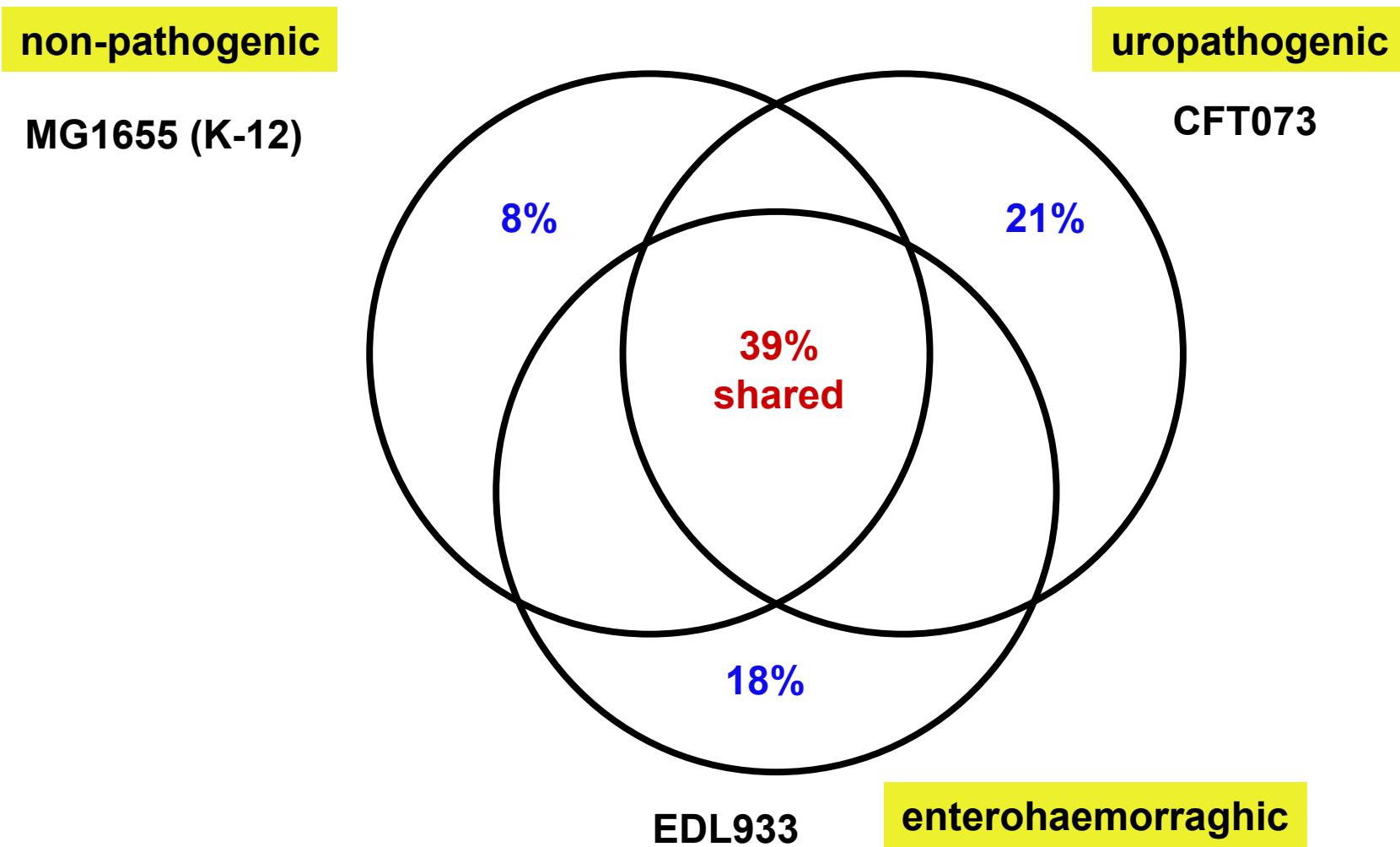
1419 bacterial genomes



## What else?

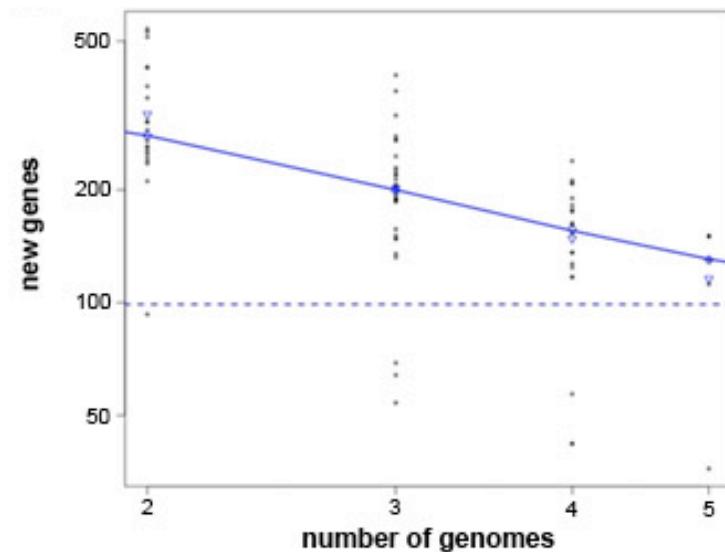


# *Escherichia coli* and the pan-genome

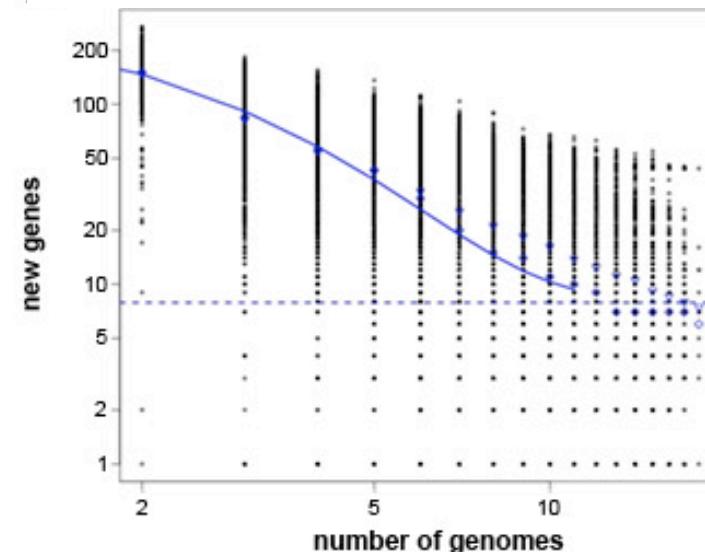


# Assessing the value of more genomes

*Enterococcus faecalis*



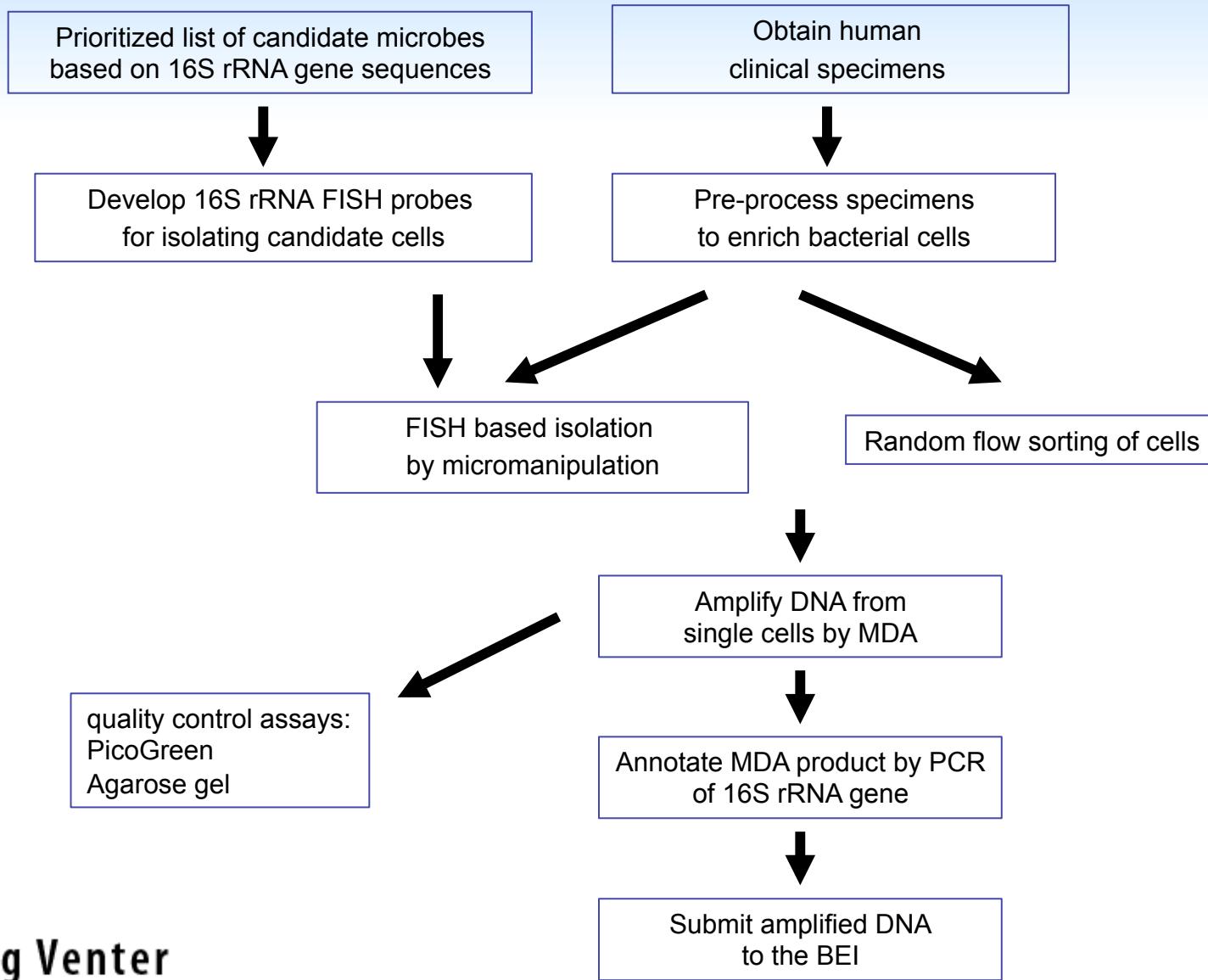
*Staphylococcus aureus*



# What about the ‘unculturables’?



# Pipeline for obtaining reference genomes from uncultivated microbes for the HMP



J. Craig Venter

INSTITUTE

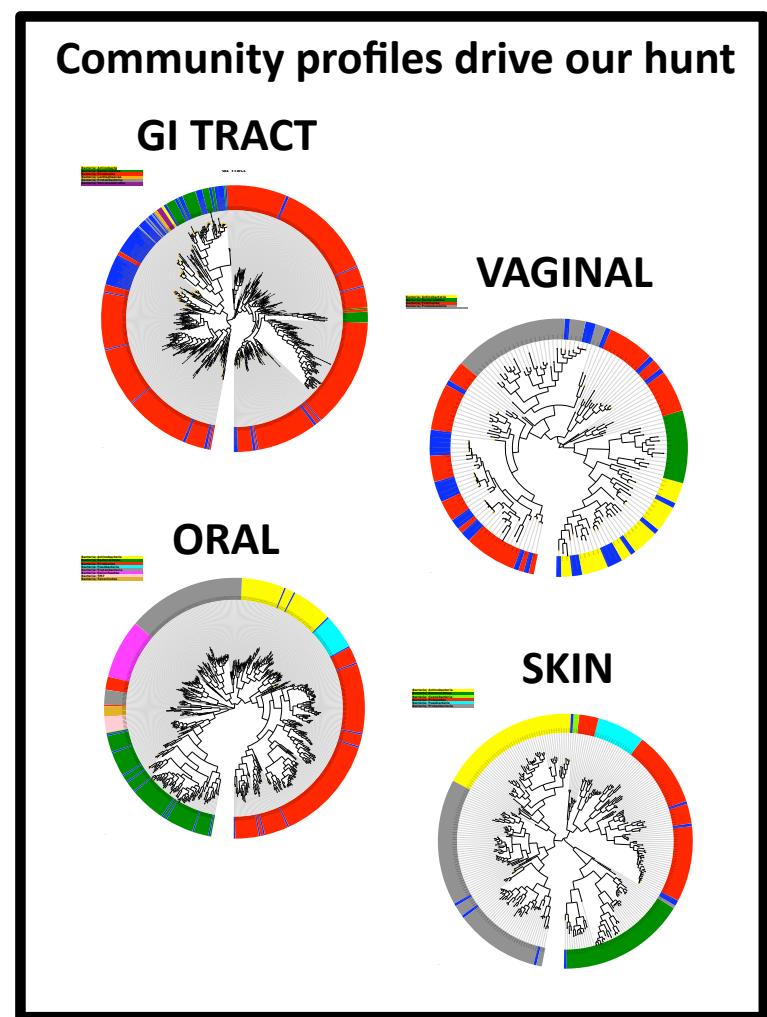
Roger Lasken, JCVI

# HMP Technology Development Initiative

PI Name	Institution	Title
ALLEN-VERCOE, EMMA	UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH	FACS-MABE: a method to sort and enrich the as-yet uncultured bacterial species from the human distal gut
BRADBURY, ANDREW & HAN, CLIFF	LOS ALAMOS NAT SECTY-LOS ALAMOS NAT LAB	Species-by-Species Dissection of Microbiomes using Phage Display and Flow Sorting
DAVIS, RONALD WAYNE	STANFORD UNIVERSITY	Isolation, selection, and polony amplification of single cells in a gel matrix
DOKTYCZ, MITCHEL	UT-BATTELLE, LLC-OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LAB	Functional Sorting of Microbial Cells From Complex Microbiota
FREDRICKS, DAVID NEAL	FRED HUTCHINSON CANCER RESEARCH CENTER	Novel cultivation methods for the domestication of vaginal bacteria
ISMAGILOV, RUSTEM F	UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO	Confining single cells to enhance and target cultivation of human microbiome
LEWIS, KIM	NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY	Culturing uncultivable gut microorganisms
NELSON, JOHN	GENERAL ELECTRIC GLOBAL RESEARCH CTR	Tools for human microbiome studies
PODAR, MIRCEA	UT-BATTELLE, LLC-OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LAB	Targeted genomic characterization of uncultured bacteria from the human microbiota
RELMAN, DAVID A	STANFORD UNIVERSITY	Optimization of a microfluidic device for single bacterial cell genomics
SCHMIDT, THOMAS MITCHELL & YOUNG, VINCENT	MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY	Cultivation and Characterization of Microaerobes from the Human Microbiome
SINGH, ANUP K	SANDIA CORP-SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES	FISH 'N' Chips: A Microfluidic Processor for Isolating and Analyzing Microbes
WORTHEN G. SCOTT	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA	Multi-Dimensional Separation of Bacteria
ZHANG, KUN & LO, YU-HWA	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO	An Integrated lab-on-chip system for genome sequencing of single microbial cells



# 100 most wanted 'uncultured' bacteria!



What about eukaryotes? Viruses??

Yes and yes.



# Track progress, access data, collaborate, analyze...

Human Microbiome Projects	
Category	Count
Airways	<a href="#">145</a>
Blood	<a href="#">54</a>
Bone	<a href="#">2</a>
Ear	<a href="#">2</a>
Eye	<a href="#">3</a>
Gastrointestinal tract	<a href="#">474</a>
Heart	<a href="#">2</a>
Lymph nodes	<a href="#">1</a>
Oral	<a href="#">313</a>
Skin	<a href="#">290</a>
Spinal Cord	<a href="#">1</a>
Urogenital tract	<a href="#">284</a>
Wound	<a href="#">4</a>
Unclassified	<a href="#">16</a>
All Strains	<a href="#">1570</a>

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## HMP Project Catalog <http://hmpdacc.org/>

- Relational data model
- Tracks project status
- Stores comprehensive metadata
- Links to public data resources
- Provides search/filtering options

The Human Microbiome Project (HMP) Catalog records sequencing projects related to the [NIH Human Microbiome Project](#).

Metadata collected for sequencing projects complies with the Genomic Standards Consortium MIGS/MIMS minimum information requirements.

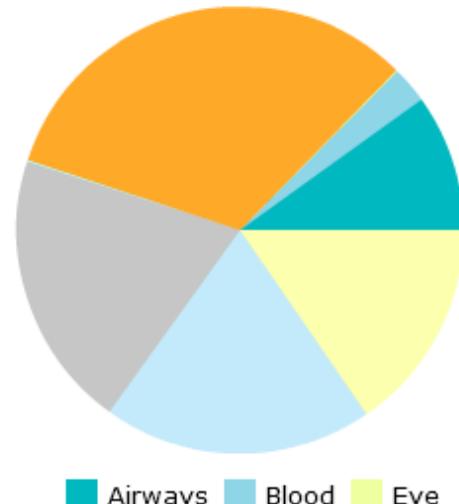
The HMP Catalog is based on [Genomes OnLine \(GOLD\)](#) resource and the [IMG-GOLD](#) system for collecting genome and metagenome project information.



# Keep track of our progress

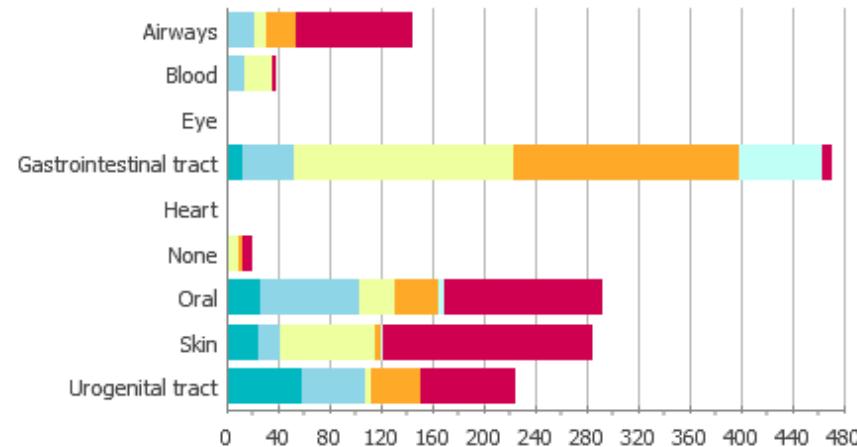
By HMP body isolation site

Breakdown by body site



Legend for the pie chart:

- Airways
- Blood
- Eye
- Gastrointestinal tract
- Heart
- None
- Oral
- Skin
- Urogenital tract



	JCVI	Baylor	WashU	Broad	other	unassigned	total
Airways	1	21	9	23	0	91	145
Blood	0	14	21	0	1	3	39
Eye	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Gastrointestinal tract	12	40	171	176	64	8	471
Heart	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
None	1	1	7	4	0	7	0
-	26	77	28	33	5	124	293
Urogenital tract	24	18	73	5	2	163	285
	58	49	5	38	1	74	225

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# Keep track of our progress

HMP Strain Database													
Strain Information		Project Status & Metadata											
HMP ID	Organism Name	Body Site	HMP Project Status	Finishing Goal	NCBI Project ID	NCBI Submission Status	Genbank ID	Gene Count	IMG/HMP ID	Sequencing Center	Funding Source	Strain Repository	
0591	<a href="#">Mycobacterium parascrofulaceum ATCC BAA-614</a>	Urogenital tract	Draft	Level 2: High-Quality Draft	<a href="#">31521</a>	2				<a href="#">BCM-HGSC, USA</a>	NIH-HMP Jumpstart Supplement	ATCC BAA-614	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0592	<a href="#">Mycoplasma fermentans Edward ATCC 15474</a>	Oral	Targeted			0				USA	NIH-HMP	<a href="#">ATCC 15474</a>	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0593	<a href="#">Mycoplasma hominis ATCC 23114</a>	Gastrointestinal tract	Targeted			0				USA	NIH-HMP	<a href="#">ATCC 23114</a>	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0594	<a href="#">Mycoplasma hominis ATCC 14207</a>	Gastrointestinal tract	Targeted			0				USA	NIH-HMP	<a href="#">ATCC 14207</a>	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0595	<a href="#">Neisseria cinerea ATCC 14685</a>	Airways	Draft	Level 2: High-Quality Draft	<a href="#">30469</a>	6	<a href="#">ACDY00000000</a>	2191	<a href="#">643886151</a>	<a href="#">Washington Univ, USA</a>	NIH-HMP Jumpstart Supplement	<a href="#">ATCC 14685</a>	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0596	<a href="#">Neisseria elongata glycolytica ATCC 29315</a>	Airways	Draft	Level 2: High-Quality Draft	<a href="#">30471</a>	4	<a href="#">ADBF00000000</a>			<a href="#">Washington Univ, USA</a>	NIH-HMP Jumpstart Supplement	<a href="#">ATCC 29315</a>	<a href="#">View Details</a>
0597	<a href="#">Neisseria elongata glycolytica</a>	Airways	Targeted			0				USA	NIH-HMP		<a href="#">View Details</a>
0599	<a href="#">Neisseria flavescens NRU30031/H210</a>	Airways	Draft	Level 2: High-Quality Draft	<a href="#">30473</a>	6	<a href="#">ACEN00000000</a>	2595	<a href="#">643886198</a>	<a href="#">Washington Univ, USA</a>	NIH-HMP Jumpstart Supplement		<a href="#">View Details</a>

Count: 1294

[HMP Master List](#)

Contains a complete list of all Reference Strains along with detailed metadata about each. Provides both “quick” and “advanced” search and download options.

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# Genome analysis at IMG

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The screenshot shows the HMP/IMG homepage. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'HMP Genomes' and 'IMG Genomes' sections. The main area displays a 'HMP Genome List for Project Category Gastrointestinal tract'. It includes a table of genomes with checkboxes, a bar chart titled 'Metabolism of Cofactors and Vitamins', and a summary text about the project's history.

**Statistics for Genomes by specific KEGG Category**

KEGG Categories	Gene Count
Amino Acid Metabolism	2025
Biosynthesis of Polyketides and Nonribosomal Peptides	100
Biosynthesis of Secondary Metabolites	397
Cancers	15
Carbohydrate Metabolism	2271
Cell Motility	52
Endocrine System	146
Energy Metabolism	988
Glycan Biosynthesis and Metabolism	627
Immune Disorders	17
Immune System	14
Infectious Diseases	42
Lipid Metabolism	713
Membrane Transport	690
Metabolic Disorders	54
Metabolism of Cofactors and Vitamins	1220
Metabolism of Other Amino Acids	499
Neurodegenerative Diseases	29
Nucleotide Metabolism	875
Replication and Repair	524
Signal Transduction	326
Sorting and Degradation	221
Transcription	38
Translation	876
Xenobiotics Biodegradation and Metabolism	363

**Metabolism of Cofactors and Vitamins:** (1,220, 9%)

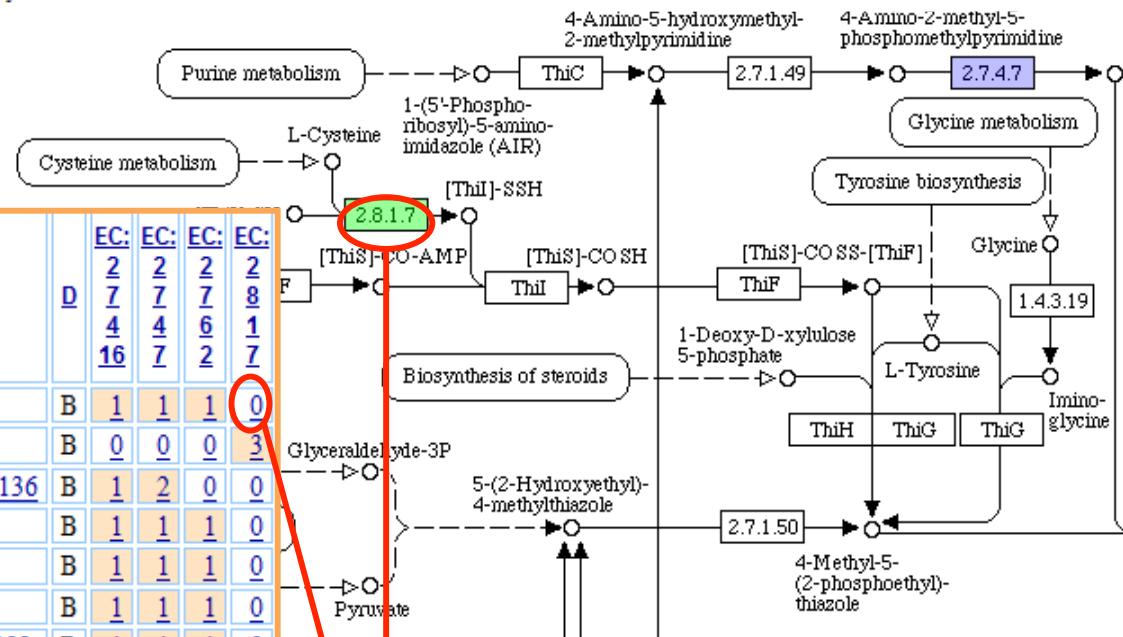
HMP Genomes	
Category	Projects
Gastrointestinal tract	63
Oral	2
Skin	3
All Genomes	68
IMG Genomes	
finished/draft Total	
Bacteria	781/503 1284
Archaea	56/3 59
Eukarya	19/30 49

## KEGG Map (for Finding Missing Enzymes)

Loaded.

- Genes in *Bacteroides caccae* ATCC 43185.  
 ■ Enzymes with KO hits.

## THIAMINE METABOLISM



## Function Profile

Genome	EC:	EC:	EC:	EC:	
	D	2	2	2	
<i>Bacteroides caccae</i> ATCC 43185	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides capillosus</i> ATCC 29799	B	0	0	0	3
<i>Bacteroides coprocola</i> M16, DSM 17136	B	1	2	0	0
<i>Bacteroides dorei</i> DSM 17855	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides eggerthii</i> DSM 20697	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides finegoldii</i> DSM 17565	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides intestinalis</i> 341, DSM 17393	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides ovatus</i> ATCC 8483	B	1	1	1	0
<i>Bacteroides pectinophilus</i> ATCC 43243	B	0	1	1	3
<i>Bacteroides plebeius</i> DSM 17135	B	1	2	1	0

2 distinct hits loaded. (2 total homologous hits: 1 KO

## Candidate Genes for Missing Function

Genome: *Bacteroides caccae* ATCC 43185

Function: (EC:2.8.1.7) Cysteine desulfurase.

Select	Candidate Gene	Candidate Gene Product	Enzyme for Candidate Gene	Homolog Gene	Homolog Gene Product (IMG Term)	Enzyme for Homolog Gene	D	C	Genome	Percent Identity	Alignment On Candidate	Alignment On Homolog	E-value	Bit Score	Confirmed by KO?
	641003708	hypothetical	EC:4.4.1.16	643100189	Cysteine desulfurase	EC:2.8.1.7 EC:4.4.1.16	B	D	<i>Bacteroides pectinophilus</i> ATCC 43243	46.08			4.00e-101	370	Yes

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