

# Bioperl

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# What is Bioperl?

Collection of tools to help you get your work done

Open source, contributed by users

Used by GMOD, wormbase, flybase, me, you

<http://www.bioperl.org>

# Why use BioPerl?

Code is already written.

Manipulate sequences.

Run programs (e.g., blast, clustalw and phylip).

Parsing program output (e.g., blast and alignments).

And much, much more. (<http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/Bptutorial.pl>)

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Welcome to BioPerl, a community effort to produce Perl code which is useful in biology.

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## What is the Deobfuscator?

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The Deobfuscator was written to make it easier to determine the methods that are available from a given [BioPerl](#) module (a [common BioPerl FAQ](#)).

BioPerl is a highly [object-oriented](#) software package, with often multiple levels of [inheritance](#). Although each individual module is usually well-documented for the methods specific to it, identifying the inherited methods is less straightforward.

The Deobfuscator indexes all of the [BioPerl](#) POD documentation, taking account of the inheritance tree (thanks to [Class::Inspector](#)), and then presents all of the methods available to each module through a searchable web interface.

## Where can I find the Deobfuscator?

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The Deobfuscator is currently available [here](#), indexing *bioperl-live*.

# Welcome to the BioPerl Deobfuscator

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Search **class names** by string or Perl regex (examples: Bio::SeqIO, seq, fasta\$)

OR select a class from the list:

<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::blast</a>	Event generator for event based parsing of blast reports
<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::blast_pull</a>	A parser for BLAST output
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<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneBlast</a>	Object for the local execution of the NCBI BLAST program suite (blastall, blastpgp, bl2seq). There is experimental support for WU-Blast and NCBI rpsblast.
<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneNCBIblast</a>	Object for the local execution of the NCBI BLAST program suite (blastall, blastpgp, bl2seq). With experimental support for NCBI rpsblast.

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<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::XML::BlastHandler</a>	XML Handler for NCBI Blast XML parsing.
<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::XML::PsiBlastHandler</a>	XML Handler for NCBI Blast PSIBLAST XML parsing.

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## methods for **Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneBlast**

<a href="#">executable</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneBlast</a>	string representing the full path to the exe	my \$exe = \$blastfactory->executable('blasta
<a href="#">finally</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Root::Root</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">io</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::WrapperBase</a>	Bio::Root::IO object	\$obj->io(\$newval)
<a href="#">new</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneBlast</a>	Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneNCBIBlast or StandAloneWUBlast	my \$obj = Bio::Tools::Run::StandAloneBlast
<a href="#">no_param_checks</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::WrapperBase</a>	value of no_param_checks	\$obj->no_param_checks(\$newva
<a href="#">otherwise</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Root::Root</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">outfile_name</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Tools::Run::WrapperBase</a>	string	my \$outfile = \$wrapper->outfile_
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## Online POD Documentation

POD Documentation is available for bioperl-live and past releases [at doc.bioperl.org](http://doc.bioperl.org).

Alternatively you can enter the module name in the search box and see any contributed Wiki documentation for the module.

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## Perldoc ([Pdoc rendered](#)) documentation for BioPerl Modules

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Official documentation for released code is available here:

- [BioPerl 1.6.0](#), download the entire doc set [here](#).
- [BioPerl 1.5.2](#), download the entire doc set [here](#).
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### Active Code

This documentation represents the active development code and is autogenerated daily from the SVN repository:

Module	Description
■ <a href="#">bioperl-live</a>	BioPerl Core Code
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■ <a href="#">bioperl-corba-client</a>	BioPerl BioCORBA Client Toolkit (wraps BioCORBA objects as bioperl objects)

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### Summary

**Bio::SeqIO** - Handler for SeqIO Formats

### Package variables

Privates (from "my" definitions)

```
%valid_alphabet_cache;  
$entry = 0
```

### Included modules

[Bio::Factory::FTLocationFactory](#)  
[Bio::Seq::SeqBuilder](#)  
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### Synopsis

# Bio::SeqIO module synopsis

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## Synopsis

```
use Bio::SeqIO;

$in  = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => "inputfilename" ,
                      -format => 'Fasta');
$out = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => ">outputfilename" ,
                      -format => 'EMBL');

while ( my $seq = $in->next_seq() ) {
    $out->write_seq($seq);
}

# Now, to actually get at the sequence object, use the standard Bio::Seq
# methods (look at Bio::Seq if you don't know what they are)

use Bio::SeqIO;

$in  = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => "inputfilename" ,
                      -format => 'genbank');

while ( my $seq = $in->next_seq() ) {
    print "Sequence ", $seq->id, " first 10 bases ",
          $seq->subseq(1,10), "\n";
}

# The SeqIO system does have a filehandle binding. Most people find this
```

# Bio::SeqIO module description

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## Description

**Bio::SeqIO** is a handler module for the formats in the SeqIO set (eg, Bio::SeqIO::fasta). It is the officially sanctioned way of getting at the format objects, which most people should use.

The **Bio::SeqIO** system can be thought of like biological file handles. They are attached to filehandles with smart formatting rules (eg, genbank format, or EMBL format, or binary trace file format) and can either read or write sequence objects (Bio::Seq objects, or more correctly, Bio::SeqI implementing objects, of which Bio::Seq is one such object). If you want to know what to do with a Bio::Seq object, read **Bio::Seq**.

The idea is that you request a stream object for a particular format. All the stream objects have a notion of an internal file that is read from or written to. A particular SeqIO object instance is configured for either input or output. A specific example of a stream object is the Bio::SeqIO::fasta object.

Each stream object has functions

```
$stream->next_seq();
```

and

```
$stream->write_seq($seq);
```

# Bio::SeqIO method list

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<b>newFh</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Code</b>
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<b>_initialize</b>	<b>No description</b>	<b>Code</b>
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<b>alphabet</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Code</b>
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<b>DESTROY</b>	<b>No description</b>	<b>Code</b>
<b>TIEHANDLE</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Code</b>
<b>READLINE</b>	<b>No description</b>	<b>Code</b>

# Bio::SeqIO new method description

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```
Title      : new
Usage      : $stream = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => $filename,
                                       -format => 'Format')
Function: Returns a new sequence stream
Returns   : A Bio::SeqIO stream initialised with the appropriate format
Args      : Named parameters:
           -file => $filename
           -fh => filehandle to attach to
           -format => format

Additional arguments may be used to set factories and
builders involved in the sequence object creation. None of
these must be provided, they all have reasonable defaults.
  -seqfactory   the Bio::Factory::SequenceFactoryI object
  -locfactory   the Bio::Factory::LocationFactoryI object
  -objbuilder   the Bio::Factory::ObjectBuilderI object
```

See [Bio::SeqIO::Handler](#)

Manipulation of sequences from a file

# Problem:

You have a sequence file and you want to do something to each sequence.

What do you do first?

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<http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTOs>

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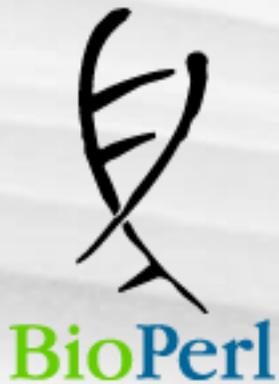
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## Retrieving a sequence from a file

One beginner's mistake is to not use `Bio::SeqIO` when working with sequence files. This is understandable in some respects. You may have read about Perl's `open` function, and Bioperl's way of retrieving sequences may look odd and overly complicated, at first. But don't use `open`! Using `open` immediately forces you to do the parsing of the sequence file and this can get complicated very quickly. Trust the `SeqIO` object, it's built to open and parse all the common [sequence formats](#), it can read and write to files, and it's built to operate with all the other Bioperl modules that you will want to use.

Let's read the file we created previously, "sequence.fasta", using `SeqIO`. The syntax will look familiar:

```
#!/bin/perl -w

use Bio::SeqIO;

$seqio_obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => "sequence.fasta", -format => "fasta" );
```

One difference is immediately apparent: there is no `>` character. Just as with with the `open()` function this means we'll be reading from the "sequence.fasta" file. Let's add the key line, where we actually retrieve the Sequence object from the file using the `next_seq` method:

```
#!/bin/perl -w

use Bio::SeqIO;

$seqio_obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => "sequence.fasta", -format => "fasta" );

$seq_obj = $seqio_obj->next_seq;
```



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## The basics

This section assumes you've never seen [BioPerl](#) before, perhaps you're a biologist trying to get some information about this hot topic, "[bioinformatics](#)". Your first script may want to get some information from a file con

A piece of advice: always use the module [Bio::SeqIO](#)! Here's what the first lines of your script might look like:

```
#!/bin/perl

use strict;
use Bio::SeqIO;

my $file = shift; # get the file name, somehow
my $seqio_object = Bio::SeqIO->new(-file => $file);
my $seq_object = $seqio_object->next_seq;
```

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```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
#file: inFasta_loop.pl
use strict;
use Bio::SeqIO;

my $file = shift;

my $seqIO_object = Bio::SeqIO->new(
    -file => $file,
    -format => 'fasta',
);

while (my $seq_object = $seqIO_object->next_seq) {
    #do stuff to each sequence in the fasta
}
```

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What is a Seq object?

## Objects

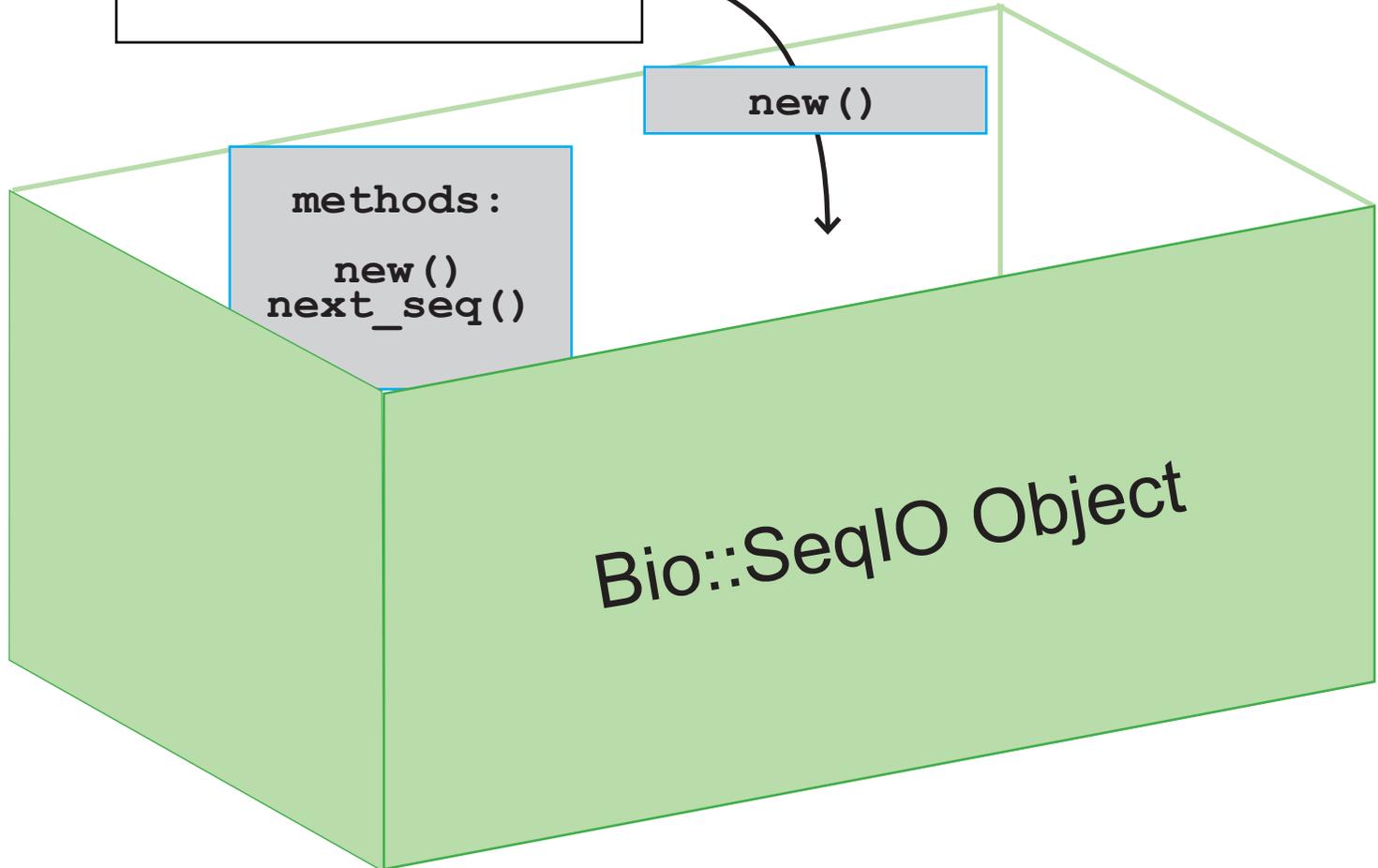
Objects are like boxes that hold  
your data and  
tools (methods) for your data

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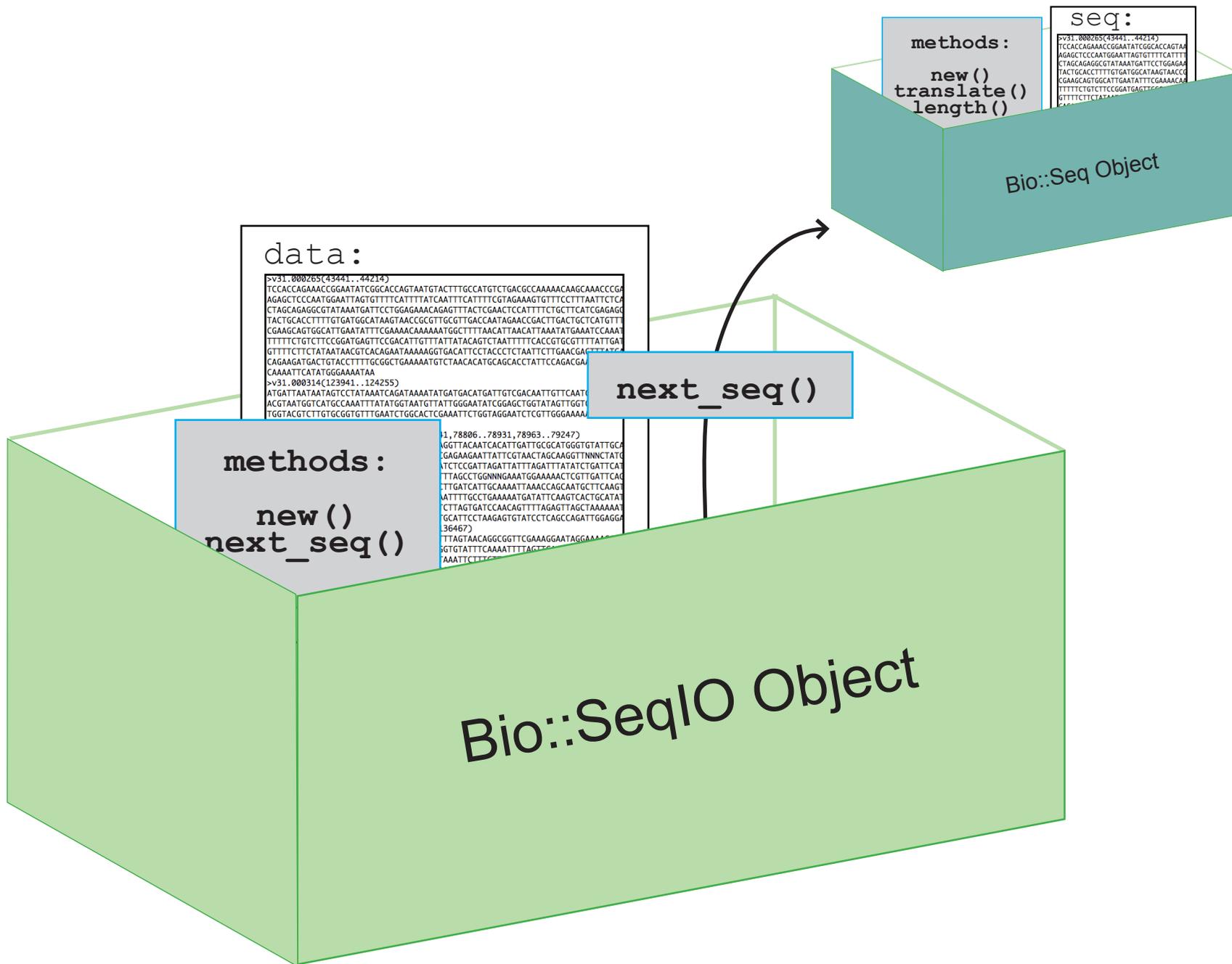
```
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GTGATGTTATTATGTTTGTGACAGATCATTGCACGCTTGTGACGGGGGGCGCAATCCCATTTGATGGT
```

new ()

methods :  
new ()  
next\_seq ()



Bio::SeqIO Object



```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
#file: inFasta_loop.pl
use strict;
use Bio::SeqIO;

# get fasta filename from user input
my $file = shift;

# create a SeqIO obj with $file as filename
# $seqIO_object contains all the individual sequence
# that are in the file named $file
my $seqIO_object = Bio::SeqIO->new(
    -file => $file,
    -format => 'fasta',
);

# using while loop and next_seq method to "get to"
# and create a Seq obj for each individual sequence
# in the SeqIO obj of many sequences
while (my $seq_object = $seqIO_object->next_seq) {
    #do stuff to each sequence in the fasta
}
```

1. Get a file name from user input (@ARGV) and stores in \$file

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
use Bio::SeqIO;
```

2. Create a new seqIO object in \$seqIO\_object, using filename \$file and format 'fasta'

```
my $file = shift;  
my $seqIO_object = Bio::SeqIO->new(  
    -file => $file,  
    -format => 'fasta',  
);
```

3. Create a second seqIO object in \$out using format 'fasta'

```
my $out_seqIO_Obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(-format => 'fasta');
```

4. Loop thru each seq object in \$seqIO\_object storing information from the object in variables.

```
while (my $seq_object = $seqIO_object->next_seq){  
    my $id = $seq_object->id;  
    my $desc = $seq_object->desc;  
    my $seqString = $seq_object->seq;  
    my $revComp = $seq_object->revcom;  
    my $alphabet = $seq_object-> alphabet;  
    my $translation_seq_obj = $seq_object-> translate;  
    my $translation = $translation_seq_obj -> seq;  
    my $seqLen = $seq_object->length;
```

5. Print out the stored information

```
    print "translation: $translation\n";  
    print "alphabet: $alphabet\n";  
    print "seqLen: $seqLen\n";
```

6. Print out \$seq\_object using the method or tool 'write\_seq()' and the seqIO object \$out.

```
    #prints to STDOUT  
    $out_seqIO_Obj->write_seq($seq_object);  
}
```

fasta input:

```
>seqName seq description is blah blah blah
AGGCTCAATTTAGTTTTTCCTTGTCCTTATTTTAAAAGGTGTCCAGTG
TGATGTGCAGCTGGTGGAGTCTGGGGGAGGCTTAGTGCAGCCTGGAG
GGTCCCGGAAACTCTCCTGTGCAGCCTCTGGATTCACTTTCAGTAGC
TTTGG AATGCACTGGGTTCGTCAGGCTCCAGAGAAGGGGCTGGAGTG
GGTCGCATACATTAGTAGTGGCAGTAGTACCCTCCACTATGCAGACA
CAGTGAAGGGCCGATTCACCATCTCAAGAGACAATCCCAAGAACACC
CTGTTCCCTGCAAATGACCAGTCTAAGGTCTGAGGACACGGCCATGTA
T TACTGTGCAAGATGGGGTAACTACCCTTACTATGCTATGGACTACT
GGGGTCAA
```

```
translation: RLNLVFLVLILKGVQCDVQLVESGGGLVQPGGSRKLSAASGFTFSSF
GMHWVRQAPEKGLEWVAYISSGSSTLHYADTVKGRFTISRDNPKNTLFLQMTSLRSEDAM
YYCARWGNYPYYAMDYWGQGTSVTVSS
```

```
alphapet: dna
```

```
seqLen: 408
```

```
>seqName seq description is blah blah blah
```

```
AGGCTCAATTTAGTTTTTCCTTGTCCTTATTTTAAAAGGTGTCCAGTGTGATGTGCAGCTG
GTGGAGTCTGGGGGAGGCTTAGTGCAGCCTGGAGGGTCCCGGAAACTCTCCTGTGCAGCC
TCTGGATTCACTTTCAGTAGCTTTGGAATGCACTGGGTTCGTCAGGCTCCAGAGAAGGGG
CTGGAGTGGGTTCGCATACATTAGTAGTGGCAGTAGTACCCTCCACTATGCAGACACAGTG
AAGGGCCGATTCACCATCTCAAGAGACAATCCCAAGAACACCCTGTTCCCTGCAAATGACC
AGTCTAAGGTCTGAGGACACGGCCATGTATTACTGTGCAAGATGGGGTAACTACCCTTAC
TATGCTATGGACTACTGGGGTCAAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGTCTCCTCA
```

output:

# Table from <http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:Beginners>

## List of seq object methods

Table 1: Sequence Object Methods

Name	Returns	Example	Note
new	Sequence object	<code>\$so = Bio::Seq-&gt;new(-seq =&gt; "MPQRAS")</code>	create a new one, see <a href="#">Bio::Seq</a> for more
seq	sequence string	<code>\$seq = \$so-&gt;seq</code>	get or set the sequence
display_id	identifier	<code>\$so-&gt;display_id("NP_123456")</code>	get or set an identifier
primary_id	identifier	<code>\$so-&gt;primary_id(12345)</code>	get or set an identifier
desc	description	<code>\$so-&gt;desc("Example 1")</code>	get or set a description
accession	identifier	<code>\$acc = \$so-&gt;accession</code>	get or set an identifier
length	length, a number	<code>\$len = \$so-&gt;length</code>	get the length
alphabet	alphabet	<code>\$so-&gt;alphabet('dna')</code>	get or set the alphabet ('dna', 'rna', 'protein')
subseq	sequence string	<code>\$string = \$seq_obj-&gt;subseq(10,40)</code>	Arguments are start and end
trunc	Sequence object	<code>\$so2 = \$so1-&gt;trunc(10,40)</code>	Arguments are start and end
revcom	Sequence object	<code>\$so2 = \$so1-&gt;revcom</code>	Reverse complement
translate	protein Sequence object	<code>\$prot_obj = \$dna_obj-&gt;translate</code>	See the <a href="#">Bioperl Tutorial</a> <a href="#">↗</a> for more
species	Species object	<code>\$species_obj = \$so-&gt;species</code>	See <a href="#">Bio::Species</a> for more

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use strict;
use Bio::SeqIO;
```

```
my $file = shift;
my $seqIO_object = Bio::SeqIO->new(
    -file => $file,
    -format => 'fasta',
);
```

```
my $out_seqIO_Obj= Bio::SeqIO->new(-format => 'genbank');
```

```
while (my $seq_object = $seqIO_object->next_seq){
    $out_seqIO_Obj>write_seq($seq_object); #prints to STDOUT
}
```



Change 'format' in the new() method from 'fasta' to 'genbank' to change the way the SeqIO object \$out is displayed in STDOUT.

```
LOCUS          seqName                408 bp    dna    linear    UNK
DEFINITION    seq description is blah blah blah
ACCESSION    unknown
FEATURES             Location/Qualifiers
BASE COUNT        95 a    98 c    111 g    104 t
ORIGIN
     1  aggctcaatt tagttttcct tgtccttatt ttaaaagggtg tccagtgtga tgtgcagctg
    61  gtggagtctg ggggaggcct agtgcagcct ggagggtccc ggaaactctc ctgtgcagcc
   121  tctggattca ctttcagtag ctttggaatg cactgggttc gtcaggctcc agagaagggg
   181  ctggagtggg tcgcatacat tagtagtggc agtagtacc  tccactatgc agacacagtg
   241  aagggccgat tcaccatctc aagagacaat cccaagaaca cctgttcct  gcaaatgacc
   301  agtctaaggt ctgaggacac ggccatgtat tactgtgcaa gatggggtaa ctacccttac
   361  tatgctatgg actactgggg tcaaggaacc tcagtcaccg tctcctca
```

```
//
```

Query a local fasta file

## Query a local fasta file

You have a fasta file that contains many records.

You want to retrieve a specific record.

You do not want to loop through all records until you find the correct record.

Use `Bio::DB::Fasta`.



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## What is the Deobfuscator?

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The Deobfuscator was written to make it easier to determine the methods that are available from a given [BioPerl](#) module (a [common BioPerl FAQ](#)).

BioPerl is a highly [object-oriented](#) software package, with often multiple levels of [inheritance](#). Although each individual module is usually well-documented for the methods specific to it, identifying the inherited methods is less straightforward.

The Deobfuscator indexes all of the [BioPerl](#) POD documentation, taking account of the inheritance tree (thanks to [Class::Inspector](#)), and then presents all of the methods available to each module through a searchable web interface.

## Where can I find the Deobfuscator?

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The Deobfuscator is currently available [here](#), indexing *bioperl-live*.

# Welcome to the BioPerl Deobfuscator

[ [bioperl-live](#) ]

Search **class names** by string or Perl regex (examples: Bio::SeqIO, seq, fasta\$)



OR select a class from the list:

<a href="#">Bio::AlignIO::fasta</a>	fasta MSA Sequence input/output stream
<a href="#">Bio::AlignIO::largemultifasta</a>	Largemultifasta MSA Sequence input/output stream
<a href="#">Bio::AlignIO::metafasta</a>	Metafasta MSA Sequence input/output stream
<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	Fast indexed access to a directory of fasta files
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<a href="#">Bio::Index::Fasta</a>	Interface for indexing (multiple) fasta files
<a href="#">Bio::Search::HSP::FastaHSP</a>	HSP object for FASTA specific data
<a href="#">Bio::Search::Hit::Fasta</a>	Hit object specific for Fasta-generated hits
<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::fasta</a>	A SearchIO parser for FASTA results
<a href="#">Bio::Seq::SeqFastaSpeedFactory</a>	Instantiates a new Bio::PrimarySeqI (or derived class) through a factory

<a href="#">Bio::AlignIO::metafasta</a>	Metafasta MSA Sequence input/output stream
<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	Fast indexed access to a directory of fasta files
<a href="#">Bio::DB::Flat::BDB::fasta</a>	fasta adaptor for Open-bio standard BDB-indexed flat file
<a href="#">Bio::Index::Fasta</a>	Interface for indexing (multiple) fasta files
<a href="#">Bio::Search::HSP::FastaHSP</a>	HSP object for FASTA specific data
<a href="#">Bio::Search::Hit::Fasta</a>	Hit object specific for Fasta-generated hits
<a href="#">Bio::SearchIO::fasta</a>	A SearchIO parser for FASTA results
<a href="#">Bio::Seq::SeqFastaSpeedFactory</a>	Instantiates a new Bio::PrimarySeqI (or derived class) through a factory

sort by method 

methods for <b>Bio::DB::Fasta</b>			
Method	Class	Returns	Usage
<a href="#">alphabet</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a> 	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">basename</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">calculate_offsets</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">caloffset</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">carp</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Root::RootI</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">CLEAR</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">confess</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Root::RootI</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">dbmargs</a>	<a href="#">Bio::DB::Fasta</a>	not documented	not documented
<a href="#">debug</a>	<a href="#">Bio::Root::Root</a>	none	\$obj->debug("This is debugging output"):

## Bio::DB::Fasta

Other packages in the module: [Bio::DB::Fasta](#) [Bio::PrimarySeq::Fasta](#)

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### Summary

**Bio::DB::Fasta** -- Fast indexed access to a directory of fasta files

### Package variables

No package variables defined.

### Included modules

[AnyDBM\\_File](#)[Fcntl](#)[File::Basename](#) qw ( [basename](#) [dirname](#) )[IO::File](#)

### Inherit

[Bio::DB::SeqI](#) [Bio::Root::Root](#)

### Synopsis

```
use Bio::DB::Fasta;

# create database from directory of fasta files
my $fdb = Bio::DB::Fasta->new('/path/to/fasta/files');
```

Can also find these pages at <http://doc.bioperl.org/bioperl-live/>

# Bio::DB::fasta module synopsis

[doc.bioperl.org](http://doc.bioperl.org)

## Synopsis

```
use Bio::DB::Fasta;

# create database from directory of fasta files
my $db      = Bio::DB::Fasta->new('/path/to/fasta/files');

# simple access (for those without Bioperl)
my $seq     = $db->seq('CHROMOSOME_I',4_000_000 => 4_100_000);
my $revseq  = $db->seq('CHROMOSOME_I',4_100_000 => 4_000_000);
my @ids     = $db->ids;
my $length  = $db->length('CHROMOSOME_I');
my $alphabet = $db->alphabet('CHROMOSOME_I');
my $header  = $db->header('CHROMOSOME_I');

# Bioperl-style access
my $db      = Bio::DB::Fasta->new('/path/to/fasta/files');

my $obj     = $db->get_Seq_by_id('CHROMOSOME_I');
my $seq     = $obj->seq; # sequence string
my $subseq  = $obj->subseq(4_000_000 => 4_100_000); # string
my $trunc   = $obj->trunc(4_000_000 => 4_100_000); # seq object
my $length  = $obj->length;
# (etc)

# Bio::SeqIO-style access
my $stream  = Bio::DB::Fasta->new('/path/to/files')->get_PrimarySeq_stream;
while (my $seq = $stream->next_seq) {
    # Bio::PrimarySeqI stuff
}

my $fh = Bio::DB::Fasta->newFh('/path/to/fasta/files');
```

# Bio::DB::fasta module description

[doc.bioperl.org](http://doc.bioperl.org)

## Description

**Bio::DB::Fasta** provides indexed access to one or more Fasta files. It provides random access to each sequence entry, and to subsequences within each entry, allowing you to retrieve portions of very large sequences without bringing the entire sequence into memory. When you initialize the module, you point it at a single fasta file or a directory of multiple such files. The first time it is run, the module generates an index of the contents of the file or directory using the AnyDBM module (Berkeley DB\* preferred, followed by GDBM\_File, NDBM\_File, and SDBM\_File). Thereafter it uses the index file to find the file and offset for any requested sequence. If one of the source fasta files is updated, the module reindexes just that one file. (You can also force reindexing manually). For improved performance, the module keeps a cache of open filehandles, closing less-recently used ones when the cache is full. The fasta files may contain any combination of nucleotide and protein sequences; during indexing the module guesses the molecular type. Entries may have any line length up to 65,536 characters, and different line lengths are allowed in the same file. However, within a sequence entry, all lines must be the same length except for the last.

# Bio::DB::fasta method description

[doc.bioperl.org](http://doc.bioperl.org)

**get\_Seq\_by\_id**

**code**

**prev**

```
Title      : get_Seq_by_id
Usage      : my $seq = $db->get_Seq_by_id($id)
Function:  Bio::DB::RandomAccessI method implemented
Returns   : Bio::PrimarySeqI object
Args      : id
```

# Query a local fasta file

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use strict;
use Bio::DB::Fasta;

my $dbfile = 'uniprot_sprot.fasta';
my $db_obj = Bio::DB::Fasta->new($dbfile);

# retrieve a sequence
my $id = 'sp|Q13547|HDAC1_HUMAN';
my $seq_obj = $db_obj->get_Seq_by_id($id);

if ( $seq_obj ) {
    print "seq: ",$seq_obj->seq,"\n";
} else {
    warn("Cannot find $id\n");
}
```

## output

```
seq: MAQTQGTRRKVCYYYDGDVGNYYYYGQGHMCKPHRIRMTHNLL LNYGLYRKMEIYRPHKANAE
EMTKYHSDDYIKFLRSIRPDNMSEYSKQMQRFNVDGDCPVFDGLFEFCQLSTGGSVASAVKLNKQQT
DIAVNWAGGLHHAKKSEASGFCYVNDIVLAIL ELLKYHQRVLYIDIDIHHGDGVEEAFYTTDRVMTV
SFHKYGEYFPGTGDLRDIGAGKGKYYAVNYPLRDGIDDES YEAI FKPVMSKVMEMFQPSAVVLQCGS
DSL S GDRLGCFNLTIKGHAKCVEFVKSFNLPMLMLGGGGYTIRNVARCWTYETAVALDTEIPNELPY
NDYFEYFGPDFKLHISPSNMTNQNTNEYLEKIKQRLFENLRMLPHAPGVQMQAIPEDAIP EESGDED
EDDPDKRISICSSDKRIACEEEFSDSEEEGEGGRKNSSNFKKAKRVKTEDEKEKDPEEKKEVTEEEK
TKEEKPEAKGVKEEVKLA
```

Creating a sequence record

## Creating a sequence record

You have a sequence and want to create a Seq object on the fly.

Use `Bio::Seq`.

# Create a sequence record on the fly.

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
use Bio::Seq;  
use Bio::SeqIO;
```

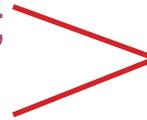
```
#file:createSeqOnFly.pl
```

```
my $seqObj = Bio::Seq->new(-seq => 'ATGAATGATGAA',  
                          -display_id => 'seq_example',  
                          -description=> 'this seq is awesome');
```



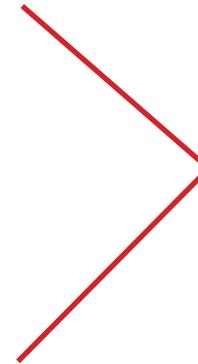
1. Create a new seq object

```
my $out_seqIO_Obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(-format => 'fasta');  
$out_seqIO_Obj->write_seq($seqObj);
```



2. Create and print a new seqIO object in fasta format using \$seqObj

```
print "Id: ", $seqObj->display_id, "\n";  
print "Length: ", $seqObj->length, "\n";  
print "Seq: ", $seqObj->seq, "\n";  
print "Subseq (3..6): ", $seqObj->subseq(3,6), "\n";  
print "Translation: ", $seqObj->translate->seq, "\n";
```



3. Get features of \$seqObj by using seqObj methods



Notice the coupling of methods.

# Output

```
>seq_example this seq is awesome  
ATGAATGATGAA  
Id: seq_example  
Length: 12  
Seq: ATGAATGATGAA  
Subseq (3..6): GAAT  
Translation: MNDE
```

# File format conversions

## File format conversions

You have GenBank files and want to extract only the sequence in fasta format.

Use `Bio::SeqIO`.

# Formats

BioPerl's SeqIO system understands lot of formats and can interconvert all of them. Here is a current listing of formats, as of version 1.5.

Table 1: [Bio::SeqIO](#) modules and formats supported

Name	Description	File extension	Module
abi	<a href="#">ABI tracefile</a>	ab[i1]	<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::abi</a>
ace	<a href="#">Ace database</a>	ace	<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::ace</a>
agave	<a href="#">AGAVE XML</a>		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::agave</a>
alf	<a href="#">ALF tracefile</a>	alf	<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::alf</a>
<a href="#">asciitree</a>	write-only, to visualize features		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::asciitree</a>
bsml	<a href="#">BSML</a> , using <a href="#">XML::DOM</a> 	bsml	<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::bsml</a>
bsml_sax	<a href="#">BSML</a> , using <a href="#">XML::SAX</a> 		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::bsml_sax</a>
chadoxml	<a href="#">CHADO</a> sequence format		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::chadoxml</a>
chaos	<a href="#">CHAOS</a> sequence format		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::chaos</a>
chaosxml	<a href="#">Chaos XML</a>		<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::chaosxml</a>
ctf	<a href="#">CTF tracefile</a>	ctf	<a href="#">Bio::SeqIO::ctf</a>

<http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:SeqIO>

```

LOCUS       MUSIGHBA1               408 bp    mRNA    linear    ROD 27-APR-1993
DEFINITION  Mouse Ig active H-chain V-region from MOPC21, subgroup VH-II,
            mRNA.
ACCESSION   J00522
VERSION     J00522.1  GI:195052
KEYWORDS    constant region; immunoglobulin heavy chain; processed gene; variable re-
            gion; variable region subgroup VH-II.
SOURCE      Mus musculus (house mouse).
            ORGANISM  Mus musculus
            Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi;
            Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia;
            Sciurognathi; Muroidea; Muridae; Murinae; Mus.
REFERENCE   1  (bases 1 to 408)
AUTHORS     Bothwell,A.L., Paskind,M., Reth,M., Imanishi-Kari,T., Rajewsky,K.
            and Baltimore,D.
TITLE       Heavy chain variable region contribution to the NPb family of
            antibodies: somatic mutation evident in a gamma 2a variable region
JOURNAL     Cell 24 (3), 625-637 (1981)
PUBMED     6788376
COMMENT     Original source text: Mouse C57Bl/6 myeloma MOPC21, cDNA to mRNA,
            clone pAB-gamma-1-4. [1] studies the response in C57Bl/6 mice to
            NP proteins. It is called the b-NP response because this mouse
            strain carries the b-IgH haplotype. See other entries for b-NP
            response for more comments.
FEATURES             Location/Qualifiers
     source             1..408
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                     /mol_type="mRNA"
                     /organism="Mus musculus"
     CDS                 <1..>408
                     /db_xref="GI:195055"
                     /codon_start=1
                     /protein_id="AAD15290.1"
                     /translation="RLNLVFLVLILKGVQCDVQLVESGGGLVQPGGSRKLSAASGFT
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                     RSEDTAMYICARWGNYPYAMDYWGQTSVTVSS"
                     /note="Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21"
     sig_peptide         <1..48
     mat_peptide         49..>408
                     /product="Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21 mature peptide"
     misc_recomb         343..344
                     /note="V-region end/D-region start (+/- 1bp)"
     misc_recomb         356..357
                     /note="D-region end/J-region start"
BASE COUNT      95 a      98 c      111 g      104 t
ORIGIN          57 bp upstream of PvuII site, chromosome 12.
     1  aggctcaatt tagtttctct tgtccttatt ttaaaaggtg tccagtgtga tgtgcagctg
     61  gtggagtctg ggggaggctt agtgcagcct ggagggtccc gaaactctc ctgtgcagcc
    121  tctggattca ctttcagtag ctttggaatg cactgggttc gtcaggctcc agagaagggg
    181  ctggagtggg tcgcatacat tagtagtggc agtagtacc tccactatgc agacacagtg
    241  aagggccgat tcaccatctc aagagacaat cccaagaaca ccctgttctc gcaaatgacc
    301  agtctaaggt ctaggacac ggccatgtat tactgtgcaa gatggggtaa ctacccttac
    361  tatgctatgg actactgggg tcaaggaacc tcagtcccg tctcctca
//

```

= GenBank Format



Fasta Format

```

>MUSIGHBA1 Mouse Ig active H-chain V-region from MOPC21,
subgroup VH-II, mRNA.
AGGTC AATTTAGTTTTTCCTTGTCCCTTATTTTTAAAAGGTGTCCAGTGTGATGTGCAGCTG
GTGGAGTCTGGGGGAGGCTTAGTGCAGCCTGGAGGGTCCCGGAAACTCTCCTGTGCAGCC
TCTGGATTCACTTTCAGTAGCTTTGGAATGCACTGGGTTCGTCAGGCTCCAGAGAAGGGG
CTGGAGTGGGTGCGATACATTAGTAGTGGCAGTAGTACCCTCCACTATGCAGACACAGTG
AAGGGCCGATTCACCATCTCAAGAGACAATCCCAAGAACACCCCTGTTCTGCAAAATGACC
AGTCTAAGGTCTGAGGACACGGCCATGTATTACTGTGCAAGATGGGGTAACTACCCTTAC
TATGCTATGGACTACTGGGGTCAAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGTCTCTCTCA

```

# Convert from GenBank to fasta.

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
use Bio::SeqIO;
```

```
#file:convert_genbank2fasta.pl
```

```
my ($informat,$outformat) = ('genbank','fasta');  
my ($infile,$outfile) = @ARGV;
```

```
my $in_seqIO_Obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(  
    -format => $informat,  
    -file => $infile,  
    );
```

```
my $out_seqIO_Obj = Bio::SeqIO->new(  
    -format => $outformat,  
    -file => ">$outfile"  
    );
```

```
while ( my $seqObj = $in_seqIO_Obj->next_seq ) {  
    $out_seqIO_Obj->write_seq($seqObj);  
}
```

Retrieving annotations

## Retrieving annotations

You have GenBank files and want to retrieve annotations.

Use `Bio::SeqIO`.

# Sample GenBank file with Features/Annotations

LOCUS MUSIGHBA1 408 bp mRNA linear ROD 27-APR-1993  
DEFINITION Mouse Ig active H-chain V-region from MOPC21, subgroup VH-II,  
mRNA.  
ACCESSION J00522  
VERSION J00522.1 GI:195052  
KEYWORDS constant region; immunoglobulin heavy chain; processed gene; variable re-  
gion; variable region subgroup VH-II.  
SOURCE Mus musculus (house mouse).  
ORGANISM Mus musculus  
Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi;  
Mammalia; Eutheria; Euarchontoglires; Glires; Rodentia;  
Sciurognathi; Muroidea; Muridae; Murinae; Mus.  
REFERENCE 1 (bases 1 to 408)  
AUTHORS Bothwell,A.L., Paskind,M., Reth,M., Imanishi-Kari,T., Rajewsky,K.  
and Baltimore,D.  
TITLE Heavy chain variable region contribution to the NPb family of  
antibodies: somatic mutation evident in a gamma 2a variable region  
JOURNAL Cell 24 (3), 625-637 (1981)  
PUBMED 6788376  
COMMENT Original source text: Mouse C57Bl/6 myeloma MOPC21, cDNA to mRNA,  
clone pAB-gamma-1-4. [1] studies the response in C57Bl/6 mice to  
NP proteins. It is called the b-NP response because this mouse  
strain carries the b-IgH haplotype. See other entries for b-NP  
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121 tctggattca ctttcagtag ctttggaatg cactgggttc gtcaggctcc agagaagggg  
181 ctggagtggt tgcatacat tagtagtggc agtagtacc tccactatgc agacacagtg  
241 aagggccgat tcacatctc aagagacaat cccaagaaca ccctgttctc gcaaatgacc  
301 agtctaaggt ctgaggacac ggccatgtat tactgtgcaa gatggggtaa ctacccttac  
361 tatgctatgg actactggg tcaaggaacc tcagtcaccg tctcctca

//

FEATURES

Location/Qualifiers

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/note="Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21"

sig\_peptide

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mat\_peptide

49..>408

/product="Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21 mature peptide"

misc\_recomb

343..344

/note="V-region end/D-region start (+/- 1bp)"

misc\_recomb

356..357

/note="D-region end/J-region start"



primary\_tag



tag=value

# Get annotations from a GenBank file

#file: get\_annot\_from\_genbank.pl

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use strict;
use Bio::SeqIO;

my $infile = shift;
my $seqIO = Bio::SeqIO->new(
    -file => $infile,
    -format => 'genbank',
);
while (my $seqObj = $seqIO -> next_seq){
    my $name = $seqObj -> id;
    foreach my $feature_obj ($seqObj->get_SeqFeatures){
        my $primary_tag = $feature_obj->primary_tag;
        my ($start, $end) = ($feature_obj->start , $feature_obj->end);
        my $range = $start . ".." . $end;
        foreach my $tag ( sort $feature_obj->get_all_tags ) {
            my @values = $feature_obj->get_tag_values($tag);
            my $value_str = join ",", @values;
            print "$name($range)\t$primary_tag\t$tag:$value_str\n";
        }
    }
}
```

get\_SeqFeature  
produces an array of  
Bio::SeqFeatureI objects



## Output

```
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      source      db_xref:taxon:10090
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      source      mol_type:mRNA
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      source      organism:Mus musculus
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      CDS         codon_start:1
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      CDS         db_xref:GI:195055
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      CDS         note:Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      CDS         protein_id:AAD15290.1
MUSIGHBA1 (1..408)      CDS         translation:RLNLVFLVLILKGVQCDVQLVESGGGLVQPGGSRKLSCAASGFTFSSF
GMHWVRQAPEKGLEWVAYISSGSSTLHYADTVKGRFTISRDNPKNTLFLQMTSLRSEDAMYYCARWGNYPYYAMDYWGQGTSVTVSS
MUSIGHBA1 (49..408)    mat_peptide product:Ig H-chain V-region from MOPC21 mature pep-
tide
MUSIGHBA1 (343..344)    misc_recomb note:V-region end/D-region start (+/- 1bp)
MUSIGHBA1 (356..357)    misc_recomb note:D-region end/J-region start
```

# Manipulating Multiple Alignments

Use Bio::AlignIO

for parsing and writing multiple alignment file formats  
including:

fasta, phylip, nexus, clustalw, msf, mega,  
meme, pfam, psi, selex, stockholm.

# Convert from fasta\_aln to nexus

#file: multi\_align\_convert.pl

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
use Bio::AlignIO;
```

```
my $align_fasta = shift;  
my $in_alignIO_obj = Bio::AlignIO->new(  
    -format => 'fasta',  
    -file => $align_fasta  
);
```

```
my $out_alignIO_obj = Bio::AlignIO->new(  
    -format => 'nexus',  
    -file => ">$align_fasta.nex"  
);
```

```
while( my $align_obj = $in_alignIO_obj->next_aln ){  
    $out_alignIO_obj->write_aln($align_obj);  
}
```

next\_aln produces a  
Bio::SimpleAlign object



## Bio::SimpleAlign Object

Remove some sequences and rewrite the result

Extract or remove columns

Calculate consensus string and percent identity

# Parsing BLAST Output

Parsing BLAST reports

Use `Bio::SearchIO`

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Here's an example of how one would use SearchIO to extract data from a BLAST report:

```
use Bio::SearchIO;
my $report_obj = new Bio::SearchIO(-format => 'blast',
                                   -file   => 'report.bls');
while( $result = $report_obj->next_result ) {
    while( $hit = $result->next_hit ) {
        while( $hsp = $hit->next_hsp ) {
            if ( $hsp->percent_identity > 75 ) {
                print "Hit\t", $hit->name, "\n", "Length\t", $hsp->length('total'),
                    "\n", "Percent_id\t", $hsp->percent_identity, "\n";
            }
        }
    }
}
```



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## HOWTO:SearchIO

### Abstract

This is a HOWTO about the [Bio::SearchIO](#) system, how to use it, and how one goes about writing new adaptors to different output formats. We will also describe how the [Bio::SearchIO::Writer](#) modules work for outputting various formats from [Bio::Search](#) objects.

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# NCBI BLAST Report

Result

```
BLASTX 2.2.12 [Aug-07-2005]

Reference: Altschul, Stephen F., Thomas L. Madden, Alejandro A. Schaffer,
Jinghui Zhang, Zheng Zhang, Webb Miller, and David J. Lipman (1997),
"Gapped BLAST and PSI-BLAST: a new generation of protein database search
programs", Nucleic Acids Res. 25:3389-3402.

Query= smed-HDAC1-1
      (1213 letters)

Database: swissprot.aa
      427,028 sequences; 157,875,145 total letters

Searching.....done
```

Hit

Sequences producing significant alignments:	Score (bits)	E Value
sp P56517 HDAC1_CHICK RecName: Full=Histone deacetylase 1; Short...	535	e-151

Result

HSP

```
>sp|P56517|HDAC1_CHICK RecName: Full=Histone deacetylase 1; Short=HD1
      Length = 480

Score = 535 bits (1379), Expect = e-151
Identities = 255/343 (74%), Positives = 292/343 (85%), Gaps = 1/343 (0%)
Frame = +3

Query: 3   CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNKNKADIAINWSGGLHHAKKSEASGFCYVNDIVMG 182
Sbjct: 100 CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNK + DIA+NW+GGLHHAKKSEASGFCYVNDIV+
          CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNKQQTDI AVNWAGGLHHAKKSEASGFCYVNDIVLA 159

Query: 183 ILELLKYHERVLYVDIDIHHGDGVVEEAFYTTDRVMTVSFHKYGEYFPXXXXXXXXXXXXX 362
Sbjct: 160 ILELLKYH+RVLY+DIDIHHGDGVVEEAFYTTDRVMTVSFHKYGEYFP
          ILELLKYHQRVLYIDIDIHHGDGVVEEAFYTTDRVMTVSFHKYGEYFPGTGDLRDIGAGKG 219

Query: 363 XNYAVNFPLRDGIDDESYESIFKPVVEKVI ESFKPNAIVLQCGADSLSGDRLGCFNLSLK 542
Sbjct: 220 KYAVNYPPLRDGIDDESYEAI FKPVISKVMETFPQSAVVLQCGSDSLSGDRLGCFNLTIK 279
          YAVN+PLRDGIDDESYE+IFKPV+ KV+E+F+P+A+VLQCG+DSLSDRLGCFNL++K

Query: 543 GHGKCV EYMRQQPIPLLMLGGGGYTIRNVARCWTYETALALGTTIPNELPYNDY YEYFTP 722
Sbjct: 280 GH KCV E+++ +P+LMLGGGGYTIRNVARCWTYETA+AL T IPNELPYNDY+EYF P
          GHAKCV EYFVKSFNLPMLMLGGGGYTIRNVARCWTYETAVALDTEIPNELPYNDYFEYFGP 339

Query: 723 DFKLHISPSNMANQNTPEYLERMKQKLFENLRSIPHAPSVQM QDIPEDAMDIDDGEQMDN 902
Sbjct: 340 DFKLHISPSNM NQNT EYLE++KQ+LFENLR +PHAP VQMQ IPEDA+ D G++ +
          DFKLHISPSNMTNQNNTNEYLEKIKQRLFENLRMLPHAPGVQM QPIPEDAVQEDSGDE-EE 398

Query: 903 ADPDKRISILASDKYREHEADLSDSEDEGD-NRKNVDCFKSKR 1028
Sbjct: 399 EDPEKRISIRNSDKRISCDEEFSDSEDEGE GGRKNVANFKKAK 441
          DP+KRISI SDK ++SDSEDEG+ RKNV FK +
```

```
Database: /common/data/swissprot.aa
Posted date: Oct 4, 2009 2:02 AM
Number of letters in database: 157,875,145
Number of sequences in database: 427,028

Lambda      K      H
0.318      0.134      0.401

Gapped
Lambda      K      H
0.267      0.0410      0.140

Matrix: BLOSUM62
Gap Penalties: Existence: 11, Extension: 1
Number of Hits to DB: 281,587,467
Number of Sequences: 427028
Number of extensions: 5577736
Number of successful extensions: 16223
Number of sequences better than 1.0e-10: 1
Number of HSP's better than 0.0 without gapping: 15290
Number of HSP's successfully gapped in prelim test: 0
Number of HSP's that attempted gapping in prelim test: 0
Number of HSP's gapped (non-prelim): 16078
length of database: 157,875,145
effective HSP length: 119
effective length of database: 107,058,813
effective search space used: 30404702892
frameshift window, decay const: 40, 0.1
T: 12
A: 40
X1: 16 ( 7.3 bits)
X2: 38 (14.6 bits)
X3: 64 (24.7 bits)
S1: 41 (21.7 bits)
```

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See

<http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:SearchIO>

for a GREAT example of a blast report,

code to parse it,

a table of methods,

and the values the methods return.

# Bio::SearchIO object for BLAST reports

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use strict;
use Bio::SearchIO;
#file: blast_parser_intro.pl

my $blast_report = shift;

my $searchIO_obj = Bio::SearchIO->new(
    -file => $blast_report,
    -format => 'blast'
);
```

# Result object and methods

#file: sample\_Blast\_parser\_1.pl

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
```

```
use strict;
```

```
use Bio::SearchIO;
```

```
my $blast_report = shift;
```

```
my $searchIO_obj = Bio::SearchIO->new(  
    -file => $blast_report,  
    -format => 'blast'  
);
```

```
while (my $result_obj = $searchIO_obj ->next_result ) {  
    my $program = $result_obj ->algorithm;  
    my $queryName = $result_obj ->query_name;  
    my $queryDesc = $result_obj ->query_description;  
    my $queryLen = $result_obj ->query_length;  
    print "program=$program\tqueryName=$queryName\t";  
    print "queryDesc=$queryDesc\tqueryLen=$queryLen\n";  
}
```

Output:

```
program=BLASTX queryName=smed-HDAC1-1 queryDesc=histone deacetylase 1 queryLen=1213
```

# <http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:SearchIO>

Object	Method	Example	Description
Result	algorithm	BLASTX	algorithm string
Result	algorithm_version	2.2.4 [Aug-26-2002]	algorithm version
Result	query_name	20521485 dbj AP004641.2	query name
Result	query_accession	AP004641.2	query accession
Result	query_length	3059	query length
Result	query_description	Oryza sativa ... 977CE9AF checksum.	query description
Result	database_name	test.fa	database name
Result	database_letters	1291	number of residues in database
Result	database_entries	5	number of database entries
Result	available_statistics	effectivespaceused ... dbletters	statistics used
Result	available_parameters	gapext matrix allowgaps gapopen	parameters used
Result	num_hits	1	number of hits
Result	hits		List of all <a href="#">Bio::Search::Hit::GenericHit</a> object(s) for this Result
Result	rewind		Reset the internal iterator that dictates where <code>next_hit()</code> is pointing, useful for re-iterating through the list of hits.

# Hit object and methods

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
use Bio::SearchIO;
```

```
#file: sample_Blast_parser_2.pl
```

```
my $blast_report = shift;
```

```
my $searchIO_obj = Bio::SearchIO->new(  
    -file => $blast_report,  
    -format => 'blast'  
);
```

```
while (my $result_obj = $searchIO_obj->next_result ) {  
    while (my $hit_obj = $result_obj->next_hit){  
        my $hitName = $hit_obj->name;  
        my $hitAcc = $hit_obj->accession;  
        my $hitLen = $hit_obj->length;  
        my $hitSig = $hit_obj->significance;  
        my $hitScore = $hit_obj->raw_score;  
  
        print "hitName=$hitName\thitAcc=$hitAcc\thitLen=$hitLen\t";  
        print "hitSig=$hitSig\thitScore=$hitScore\n";  
    }  
}
```

must get hit objects  
from a result object



Output:

```
hitName=sp|P56517|HDAC1_CHICK hitAcc=P56517 hitLen=480 hitSig=1e-151 hitScore=535
```

# <http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:SearchIO>

Hit	name	443893 124775	hit name
Hit	length	331	Length of the Hit sequence
Hit	accession	443893	accession (usually when this is a genbank formatted id this will be an accession number- the part after the <i>gb</i> or <i>emb</i> )
Hit	description	LaForas sequence	hit description
Hit	algorithm	BLASTX	algorithm
Hit	raw_score	92	hit raw score
Hit	significance	2e-022	hit significance
Hit	bits	92.0	hit bits
Hit	hsps		List of all <a href="#">Bio::Search::HSP::GenericHSP</a> object(s) for this Hit
Hit	num_hsps	1	number of HSPs in hit
Hit	locus	124775	locus name
Hit	accession_number	443893	accession number
Hit	rewind		Resets the internal counter for next_hsp() so that the iterator will begin at the beginning of the list

# HSP object and methods

#file: sample\_Blast\_parser.pl

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w  
use strict;  
  
use Bio::SearchIO;
```

```
my $blast_report = shift;
```

```
my $searchIO_obj = Bio::SearchIO->new(  
    -file => $blast_report,  
    -format => 'blast'  
);
```

must get hsp objects  
from a hit object



```
while (my $result_obj = $searchIO_obj->next_result ) {  
    while (my $hit_obj = $result_obj->next_hit){  
        while (my $hsp_obj = $hit_obj->next_hsp){  
            my $evalue = $hsp_obj->evalue;  
            my $hitString = $hsp_obj->hit_string;  
            my $queryString = $hsp_obj->query_string;  
            my $homologyString = $hsp_obj->homology_string;  
  
            print "hsp evalue: $evalue\n";  
            print "HIT      : ",substr($hitString,0,50)," \n";  
            print "HOMOLOGY: ",substr($homologyString,0,50)," \n";  
            print "QUERY   : ",substr($queryString,0,50)," \n";  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Output:

```
hsp evalue: 1e-151  
HIT      : CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNKQQTDIAVNWAGGLHHAKKSEASG  
HOMOLOGY: CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNK + DIA+NW+GGLHHAKKSEASG  
QUERY   : CPVFDGLFEFCQLSAGGSVASAVKLNKKNKADIAINWSGGLHHAKKSEASG
```

# http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/HOWTO:SearchIO

HSP	algorithm	BLASTX	algorithm
HSP	evaluate	2e-022	e-value
HSP	expect	2e-022	alias for evaluate()
HSP	frac_identical	0.884615384615385	Fraction identical
HSP	frac_conserved	0.923076923076923	fraction conserved (conservative and identical replacements aka "fraction similar") (only valid for Protein alignments will be same as frac_identical)
HSP	gaps	2	number of gaps
HSP	query_string	DMGRCSSG ..	query string from alignment
HSP	hit_string	DIVQNSS ...	hit string from alignment
HSP	homology_string	D+ ..SSGN	string from alignment
HSP	length('total')	52	HSP seq_inds('query','conserved') (966,967,969,971,973,974,975, ...)
HSP	length('hit')	50	HSP seq_inds('hit','identical') (197,202,203,204,205, ...)
HSP	length('query')	154	HSP seq_inds('hit','conserved-not-identical') (198,200)
HSP	hsp_length	52	HSP seq_inds('hit','conserved',1) (197,202-246)
HSP	frame	0	HSP score 227
HSP	num_conserved	48	HSP bits 92.0
HSP	num_identical	46	HSP range('query') (2896,3051)
HSP	rank	1	HSP range('hit') (197,246)
HSP	seq_inds('query','identical')	(966,967,969,971,973,974,975, ...)	HSP percent_identity 88.4615384615385
HSP	seq_inds('query','conserved-not-identical')	(966,967,969,971,973,974,975, ...)	HSP strand('hit') 1
			HSP strand('query') 1
			HSP start('query') 2896
			HSP end('query') 3051
			HSP start('hit') 197
			HSP end('hit') 246
			HSP matches('hit') (46,48)
			HSP matches('query') (46,48)
			HSP get_aln <i>sequence alignment</i>
			HSP hsp_group <i>Not available in this report</i>
			HSP links <i>Not available in this report</i>

[Bio::SimpleAlign](#) object

Group field from WU-BLAST reports run with -topcombon

Links field from WU-BLAST reports run with -links showing

## Other Cool Things

Whole set of wrappers for running Bioinformatics tools  
in bioperl-run

Run BLAST locally or submit remote jobs (through NCBI)

Run PAML - handles setup and take down of temporary  
files and directories

Run alignment progs through similar interfaces: TCoffee, MUSCLE,  
Clustalw

Relational Databases for sequence and features

Repository of scripts to do really cool things. (<http://www.bioperl.org/wiki/Scripts>)