

# **An Introduction to the ISB-CGC Cancer Resources in the Google Cloud with BigQuery as a Statistical Tool**

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# Outline of today's agenda

- Introduction to ISB-CGC and the data commons
- ISB-CGC's approach to derived data
- Data exploration in BigQuery ('Excel-like data tables in the cloud')
- Hands on demonstration of the Google Cloud with focus on BigQuery

# The ISB-CGC homepage

## isb-cgc.org

Focus today is on analysis of derived data in BigQuery

The screenshot shows the ISB-CGC homepage with a navigation bar at the top containing 'ISB-CGC', 'Data Browsers', 'Resources', 'Documentation', 'About', 'Publications', 'Help', and 'Sign In'. Below the navigation is a header section with the text 'A RESOURCE OF THE NCI CANCER RESEARCH DATA COMMONS', the 'ISB-CGC' logo, and the tagline 'Cancer Gateway in the Cloud'. A sub-header reads 'Access, Explore and Analyze Large-Scale Cancer Data Through the Google Cloud'. The main content is organized into two rows of cards. The first row, 'Data Browsers', includes: 'BigQuery Table Search' (Browse BigQuery tables of metadata and molecular cancer data), 'Cancer Data File Browser' (Explore cancer related data files in Google Cloud Storage Buckets), 'Chromosomal Aberrations & Gene Fusions DB' (Browse the Mitelman Database of Chromosome Aberrations and Gene Fusions in Cancer), and 'The TP53 Database' (Explore the TP53 Database that compiles various types of data and information). The second row, 'Resources', includes: 'Cohort Builder / Data Explorer' (A web interface to build cohorts based on clinical demographics and molecular filters), 'Pipelines and Cancer Cohort API' (Learn more about how to access and analyze cancer data through programmatic interfaces), 'Notebooks' (A collection of notebooks written in R and Python, to serve as both tutorials or analysis tools), and 'Controlled Access Data' (Sign in to access controlled-access data on the Google Cloud). Each card has 'Learn' and 'Launch' buttons. A red arrow points from the 'Cohort Builder / Data Explorer' card to a sidebar on the left.

**NOTEBOOKS**

- ISB-CGC Notebooks
  - What's a notebook?
  - I'm a novice, how do I...
  - I'm an advanced user, how do I...
- Statistical Notebooks
- Machine Learning Notebooks

Ways to use data and tools:

- Explore datasets
- Create cohorts
- Run pipelines
- Specialized DBs
  - Mitelman DB of Chromosomal Aberrations & Gene Fusions
  - The TP53 DB
  - caNanoLab

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🔊 Check out the new **View Karyotype Details** link for each karyotype in your **Cases Cytogenetics** search results. Clicking this link displays gains and losses affecting the chromosomes and their genomic coordinates. You can also **view the net imbalances in chromosomes** for your search result, with charts and images with the click of a button! Read more at [User Guide: About Genomic Imbalances in Cytogenetic Cases](#) ✕



## Mitelman Database

# Chromosome Aberrations and Gene Fusions in Cancer

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<https://mitelmandatabase.isb-cgc.org/>

The *TP53* Database compiles various types of data and information from the literature and generalist databases on human *TP53* gene variations related to cancer. The database is hosted by the [National Cancer Institute \(NCI\)](#) of the United States. The content reflects the [R20, July 2019 version](#)

Upcoming *TP53* meetings and conferences can be found in the [Events](#) menu.

Did you find any issues? Please [submit a report](#).

### Functional / Structural Data



Explore functional and structural data and frequency statistics of all possible single nucleotide substitutions in *TP53* exonic sequences, other variants reported in human samples, and validated polymorphisms.

### Tumor Variants



Explore data for *TP53* tumor variants identified in human tumor samples. Includes data on the type and position of variants, detailed information on the tumor in which the variants have been found, and on various characteristics of the patients in which the tumor developed.

### Germline Variants



Explore data for individuals that are carriers of a *TP53* germline variant and families in which at least one family member has been identified as a carrier of a germline variant in the *TP53* gene.

### Cell Lines



Explore data for cell-lines that have been screened for *TP53* variant and have been published in the scientific literature, in the [Sanger cell-line database](#), or the [Broad Cancer cell-line Encyclopedia](#).

### Mouse Models



Explore data for mouse models with engineered *p53* that are compiled in the caMOD database or reported in the scientific literature.

### Experimentally Induced Variants



Explore data for variants in the human *TP53* gene obtained from mutagenicity assays in the [Hupki mouse model](#) (MEF cells treated with the indicated carcinogen agent) or in a yeast assay.

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**Welcome to caNanoLab**

Welcome to the [cancer Nanotechnology Laboratory](#) (caNanoLab) portal. caNanoLab is a data sharing portal designed to facilitate information sharing across the international biomedical nanotechnology research community to expedite and validate the use of nanotechnology in biomedicine. caNanoLab provides support for the annotation of nanomaterials with characterizations resulting from physico-chemical, *in vitro* and *in vivo* assays and the sharing of these characterizations and associated nanotechnology protocols in a secure fashion.

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- SAFENANO
- OECD
- eNanoMapper

**Browse caNanoLab**

Data Type	Public Results
<p><a href="#">Search Protocols</a></p> <p>Search for nanotechnology protocols leveraged in performing nanomaterial characterization assays.</p>	211
<p><a href="#">Search Samples</a></p> <p>Search for information on nanomaterials including the composition of the nanomaterial, results of physico-chemical, <i>in vitro</i>, <i>in vivo</i> and other characterizations, and associated publications. See also <a href="#">Advanced Sample Search</a></p>	1583 233 Sample Sources 7580 Characterizations 1738 Physico-chemical 2829 <i>in Vitro</i> 171 <i>in Vivo</i> 2842 Other
<p><a href="#">Search Publications</a></p> <p>Search for information on nanotechnology publications including peer reviewed articles, reviews, and other types of reports related to the use of nanotechnology in biomedicine.</p>	2404

**USER ACTIONS**

No account is required to browse publicly available data.

LOGIN ID

PASSWORD

**FEATURES**

**caNanoLab provides access to information on:**

- Nanotechnology Protocols
- Nanomaterial Composition
- Nanomaterial Characterizations (physico-chemical, *in vitro*, *in vivo*)
- Nanomaterial Publications

For additional information, see the [caNanoLab FAQ](#) or [User's Guide](#)

**HOW TO**

- How do I obtain a new caNanoLab Login ID and Password?
- How do I reset my current caNanoLab password?
- How do I save data to caNanoLab?
- How do I find nanotechnology protocols?
- How do I find nanotechnology publications?
- How can I search for nanomaterials, composition annotations, and characterizations?
- How can I add nanomaterial characterizations?
- Where can I get definitions for nanotechnology concepts?
- How do I incorporate caNanoLab into a data sharing plan?

**WHAT'S NEW**

Release 3.1.9 of caNanoLab is not available for download yet, but you can download the prior version of caNanoLab (3.0) from the [wiki home page](#).

For information on caNanoLab releases, refer to the [caNanoLab Release Notes](#).

**KEEPING UP WITH caNanoLab**

- Stay connected and provide feedback through the [caNanoLab User Hub](#).
- What's New in caNanoLab?

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# The three Data Commons host and control access to different types of cancer data

The image displays three overlapping browser windows showcasing the NIH National Cancer Institute Data Commons portals. The largest window in the foreground is the **Genomic Data Commons Data Portal**, which features a navigation bar with options like 'Analysis Center', 'Projects', 'Cohort Builder', and 'Repository'. The main content area includes a search bar, a 'Cases by Major Primary Site' bar chart, and a 'Data Portal Summary' table.

**Genomic Data Commons Data Portal Summary:**

Category	Count
Projects	79
Primary Sites	69
Cases	44,451
Files	986,114
Genes	22,534
Mutations	2,930,136

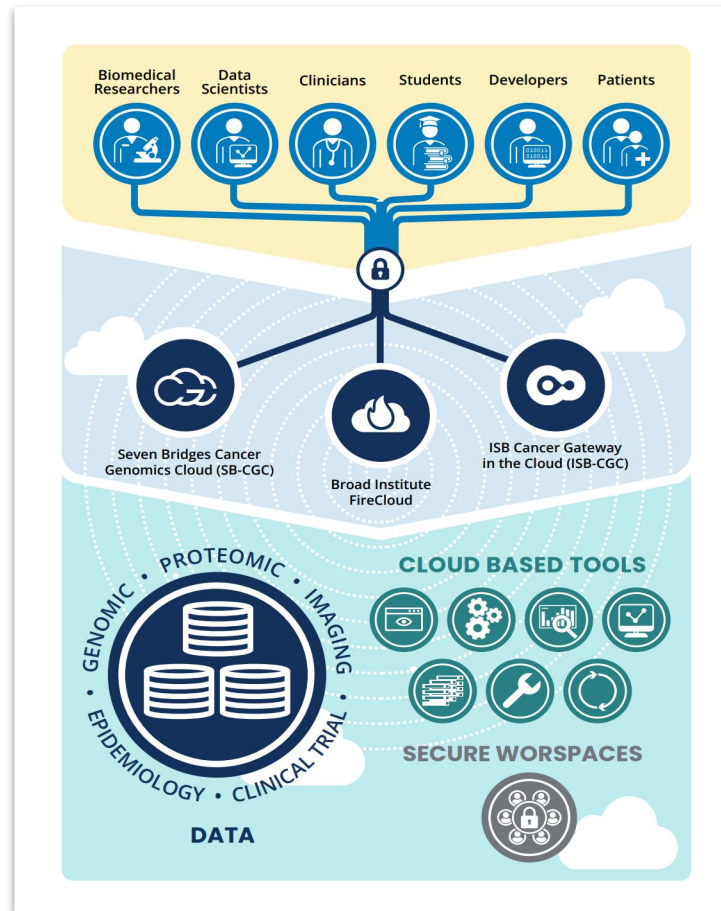
**Cases by Major Primary Site (Approximate values from chart):**

Primary Site	Approximate Cases (1000s)
Bone Marrow and Blood	8.5
Liver	5.5
Brain	4.5
Bladder	3.5
Esophagus	3.0
Stomach	2.5
Uterus	2.0
Other sites	1.0 - 2.0

The other two windows show the **Imaging Data Commons** (IDC) and **Proteomic Data Commons** portals, both displaying human silhouettes and bar charts representing data distribution across various cancer sites. The IDC window shows a 'Magnetic Resonance (MR)' image of a brain scan.

# ISB-CGC's approach to enabling data science in the cloud

- Moving Excel files into the cloud
- Derived molecular data available for query as you need, updated frequently
- Tooling examples provided to enable data mining and Machine Learning of your data
- Sharing of results with those you choose
- Maximum flexibility of scripting and compute for those who desire it





# ISB-CGC Focuses on Derived Data via BigQuery

	Projects	Clinical/ Biospecimen	File Metadata	Gene Expression	Somatic Mutation	Copy Number	miRNA Expression	DNA Methylation	Protein Expression*	Acetylome	Glycoproteome	Phosphoproteome	Ubiquitylome
GDC	GDC Metadata		X										
	APOLLO	X	X						X				
	BEATAML1.0	X	X	X	X								
	CCLL	X	X	X	X	X							
	CDDP EAGLE	X	X		X	X							
	CGCI	X	X	X	X	X							
	CMI	X	X	X	X								
	CPTAC	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
	CTSP	X	X	X									
	Exceptional Responders	X	X	X	X								
	FM	X	X										
	GENIE	X	X										
	HCM1	X	X	X	X	X							
	MATCH	X	X										
	MMRF	X	X	X	X								
	MP2PRT	X	X			X							
	NCICCR	X	X	X									
	OHSU	X	X	X									
	ORGANOID	X	X	X									
	REBC	X	X				X						
	TARGET	X	X	X	X	X	X						
	TCGA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
	TRIO	X	X										
	VAREPOP	X	X										
	WCDT	X	X	X									
PDC	PDC metadata		X										
	APOLLO	X	X									X	
	BROAD	X	X										
	CBTTC	X	X						X			X	
	CPTAC	X	X							X	X	X	X
	Georgetown Proteomics Research Program	X	X										
	ICPC	X	X						X			X	
	Quantitative Digital Maps of Tissue	X	X										
	TCGA	X	X									X	

**ISB-CGC hosts data from multiple well-known cancer datasets**

# Data wrangling can be onerous, for example GDC has 24,944 individual transcriptome files for just TCGA

Filters

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JSON TSV Total of 24,944 Files 20,925 Cases 105.47 GB Search

Cart	Access	File Name	Cases	Project	Data Category	Data Format
	Open	<a href="#">d0ee5ff7-a49a-4633-93a6-40c9e29fb0b7.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">c58a5583-7b04-4b67-9372-e161e18d7de1.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">269c35f0-a4f7-4e30-a69f-f1f3b7b5dace.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">158ab1d9-8925-4a05-95da-b2e0ca297474.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">9c2ed2bb-8ee1-441e-9f3b-ffb4def2673.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">11ed8e05-8f30-460a-b502-01ae09504315.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">0d6fbefe-4e21-4762-a476-9c899d4a94b7.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">be813beb-9b35-4063-9d61-9f49a7fd7706.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV
	Open	<a href="#">01661d94-fc16-4456-95cf-a5fa4e1e196c.rna_seq.augmented_star_gene_counts.tsv</a>	1	TCGA-BRCA	Transcriptome Profiling	TSV

Transcriptome

**Experimental Strategy**

Name Files

- RNA-Seq 24,944 (2.53%)
- scRNA-Seq 74 (0.01%)

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**Wgs Coverage**

Name Files

No data for this field

**Data Category**

Name Files

- transcriptome profiling 24,944 (2.53%)

**Data Type**

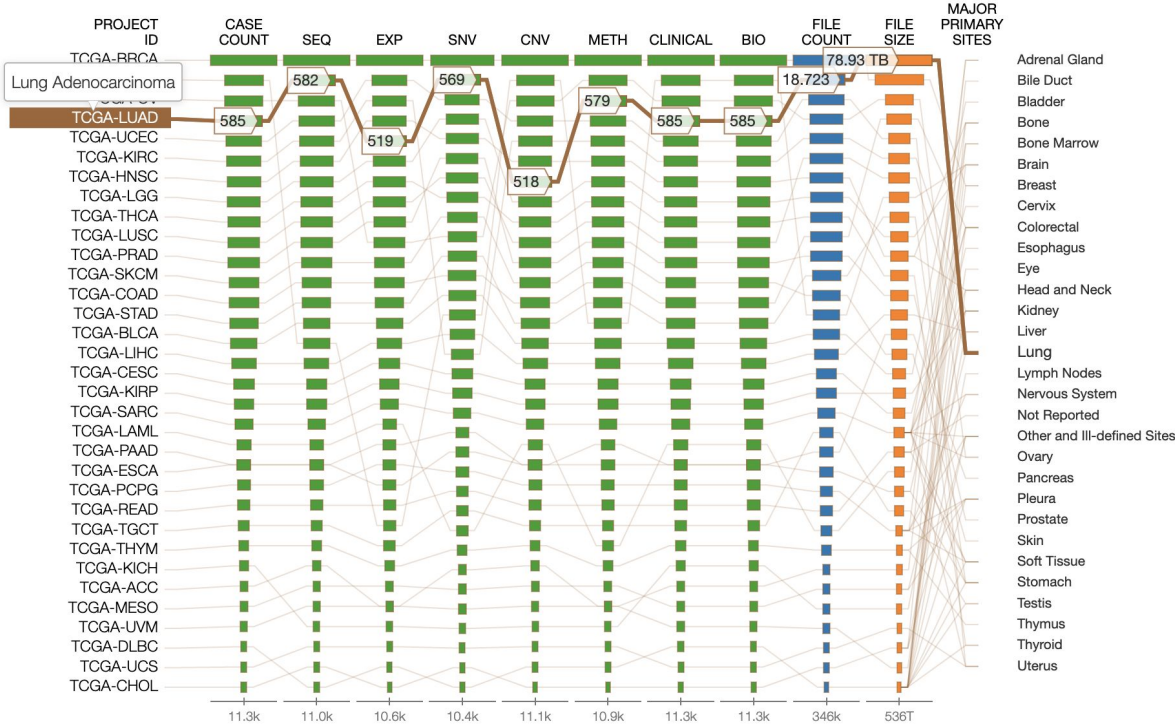
Name Files

- Aligned Reads 73,550 (7.46%)
- Gene Expression Quantification 24,944 (2.53%)
- Splice Junction Quantification 24,944 (2.53%)
- Transcript Fusion 93,175 (9.45%)

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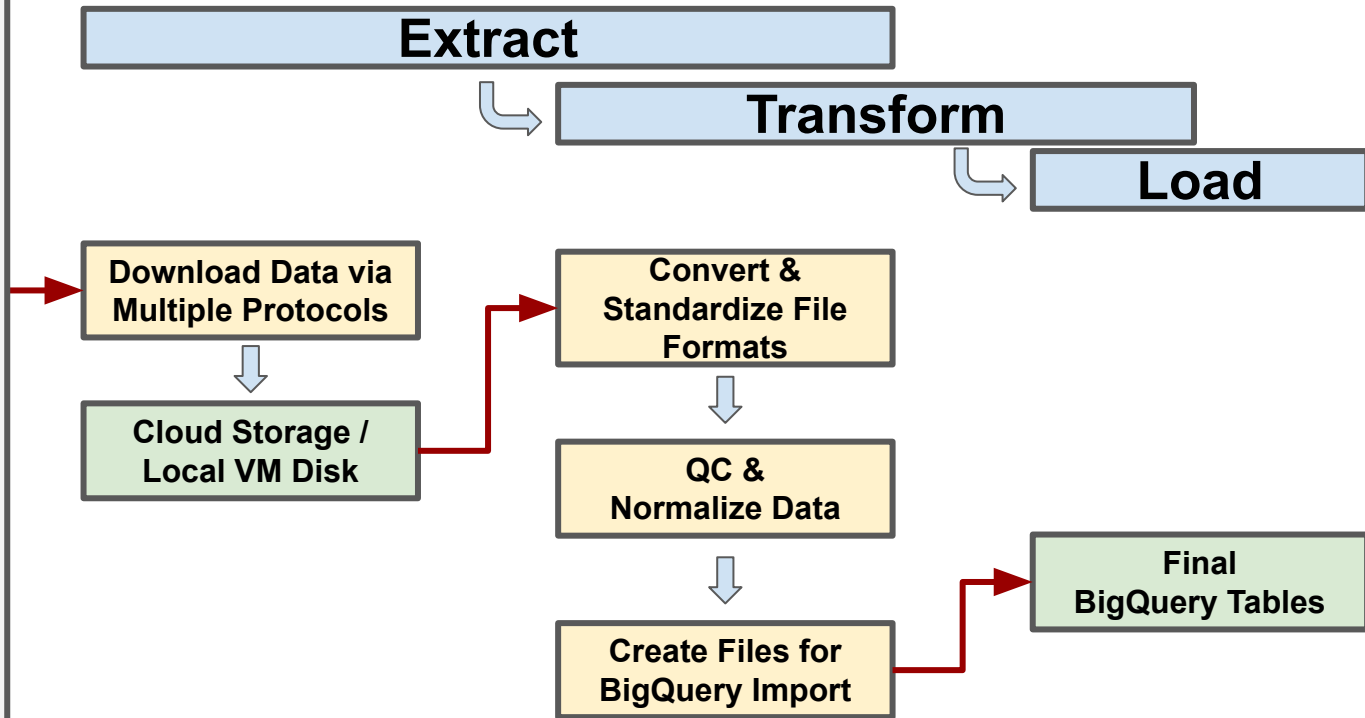
# The data commons host a wealth of data from 20 cancer initiative programs

Case count per Data Category



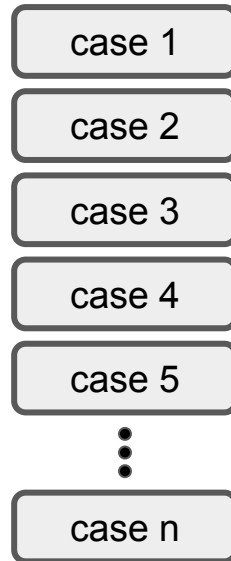
# ISB-CGC runs ETL pipelines to reduce the processing barrier of entry

BEATAML	OHSU
CCLE	ORGANOID
CGCI	TARGET
CMI	TCGA
CPTAC	VAREPOP
CTSP	WCDT
FM	CBTN
GENIE	CPTAC
HCM1	ICPC
MMRF	Targetome
NCICCR	Reactome
Pan-Cancer Atlas	
Georgetown Proteomics Research Program	
Quantitative Digital Maps of Tissue Biopsies	
<b>500k+ Files of Heterogeneous Data</b>	
WGS	DNaseq WXS
RNASeq (gene, isoform, exon, junction)	
SNP Array (CEL)	
DNaseq (MAF, VCF)	Clinical & Biospecimen
DNA Methylation	miRNASeq
Protein (RPPA)	SNP Array

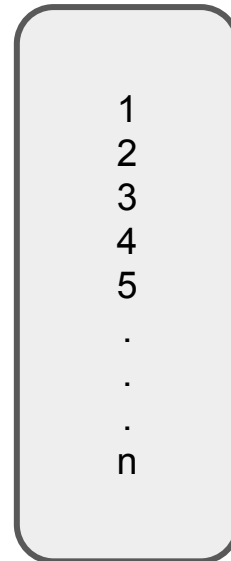


# The Google Cloud offers tools to simply host derived data by concatenating these files into a single BQ table

GDC case files

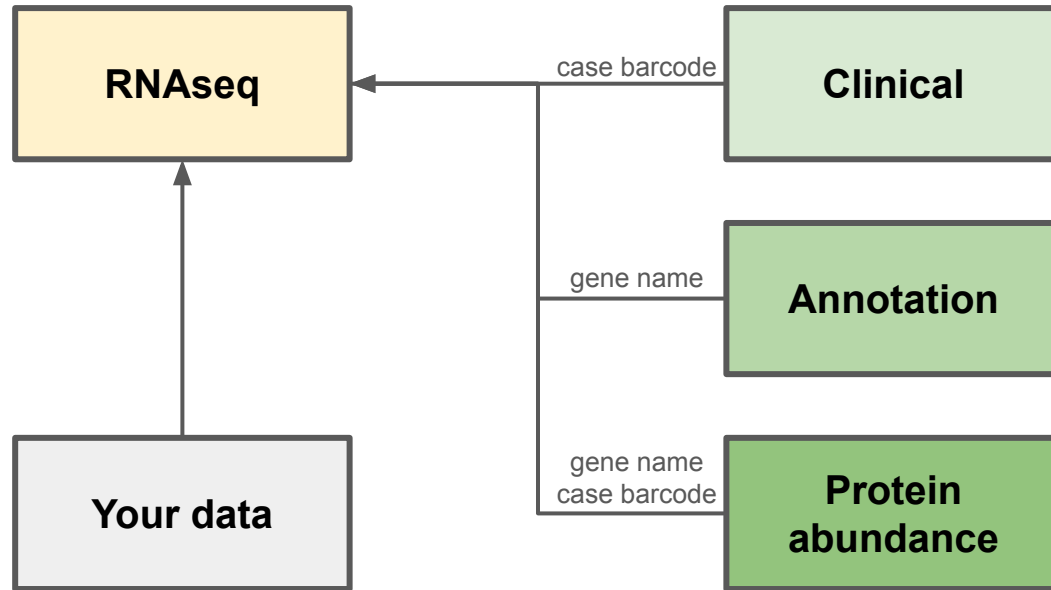


“one big csv”



BigQuery

# BigQuery enables simple and efficient links between data types



# BigQuery enables simple and efficient linking between tables

Query results [SAVE RESULTS](#) [EXPLORE DATA](#)

< JOB INFORMATION **RESULTS** CHART JSON EXECUTION DETAILS >

Row	case_barcode	fpkm_uq_unstranded
1	TCGA-05-4402	15.8591
2	TCGA-05-4403	7.5686
3	TCGA-05-4396	5.1522
4	TCGA-05-4405	5.5745
5	TCGA-05-4397	54.251
6	TCGA-05-4398	17.5632
7	TCGA-05-4249	4.651
8	TCGA-05-4250	45.5012

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```
SELECT
  <fields>
FROM `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.RNAseq_hg38_gdc_current` rna
WHERE <conditionals>
```

# BigQuery enables simple and efficient linking between tables

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Row	case_barcode	fpkm_uq_unstranded	exp_cigarettes_per_
1	TCGA-50-6592	36.7756	<i>null</i>
2	TCGA-50-6591	66.5771	<i>null</i>
3	TCGA-50-6590	41.5093	2.739726027397...
4	TCGA-50-5946	38.8077	<i>null</i>
5	TCGA-44-3918	28.5915	1.095890410958...
6	TCGA-44-3917	61.4633	0.876712328767...
7	TCGA-44-3917	15.0178	0.876712328767...
8	TCGA-44-3918	6.2086	1.095890410958...

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```
SELECT
  <fields>
FROM `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.RNAseq_hg38_gdc_current` rna
JOIN `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.clinical_gdc_current` clin
WHERE <conditionals>
```



# BigQuery enables simple and efficient linking between tables

Query results [SAVE RESULTS](#) [EXPLORE DATA](#)

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Row	case_barcode	fpkm_uq_unstranded	exp_cigarettes_per_	protein_expression
1	TCGA-86-A4P7	8.9616	<i>null</i>	-0.6541634745
2	TCGA-91-6829	14.4956	5.178082191780...	0.399470062
3	TCGA-91-6828	12.558	<i>null</i>	-0.174617102
4	TCGA-86-A4P8	1.947	<i>null</i>	-0.4681542825
5	TCGA-38-4629	40.1784	5.479452054794...	0.739331331
6	TCGA-38-6178	10.7342	<i>null</i>	-0.013338784
7	TCGA-78-7166	32.8658	2.082191780821...	-0.0290081565
8	TCGA-78-7167	3.7353	3.506849315068...	-0.438169383

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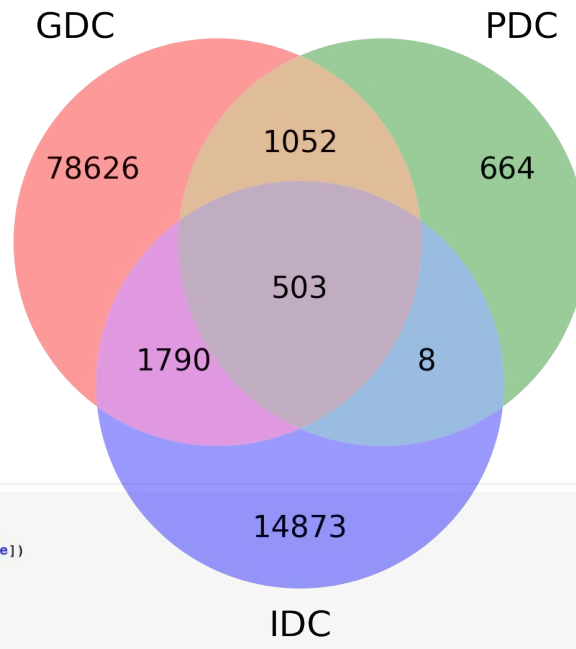
```
SELECT
  <fields>
FROM `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.RNAseq_hg38_gdc_current` rna
JOIN `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.clinical_gdc_current` clin
JOIN `isb-cgc-bq.TCGA.protein_expression_hg38_gdc_current` prot
WHERE <conditionals>
```

# There is a substantial overlap of data from the same cases across the Commons

```

1 sql_full = """
2 with gdc as (
3   with cases as (
4     SELECT
5       distinct
6         case_barcode,
7         case_gdc_id,
8         project_id
9     FROM `isb-cgc-bq.GDC_case_file_metadata.caseData_current`
10  ),
11  files as (
12    SELECT
13      case_gdc_id,
14      associated_entities__entity_submitter_id,
15      data_type
16    FROM `isb-cgc-bq.GDC_case_file_metadata.fileData_active_current`
17  )
18  SELECT
19    cases.case_barcode gdc_id,
20    cases.project_id,
21    array_agg(distinct files.data_type) gdc_data
22  FROM cases JOIN files ON cases.case_gdc_id = files.case_gdc_id
23  GROUP BY cases.case_barcode, cases.project_id
24 ),
25 pdc as (
26   SELECT
27     distinct case_submitter_id pdc_
28   FROM `isb-cgc-bq.PDC_metadata.ali
29 idc as (
30   SELECT
31     PatientID idc_id,
32     array_agg(distinct has_segmenta
33     array_agg(distinct has_derived)
34     array_agg(distinct has_quantita
35   FROM `canceridc-data.idc_current.
36   GROUP BY PatientID
37 )
38 SELECT * from gdc
39 FULL OUTER JOIN pdc ON gdc.gdc_id =
40 FULL OUTER JOIN idc ON gdc.gdc_id =
41
42 full_query = client.query(sql_full)
43 df = full_query.result().to_dataframe()
44 df.head()

```



```

1 ids = []
2 for index, row in df.iterrows():
3   id = set([x for x in row[[0,3,4]] if x is not None])
4   if len(id) != 1: print(len(id))
5   id = id.pop()
6   ids.append(id)
7 df['id'] = ids
8 df.head()

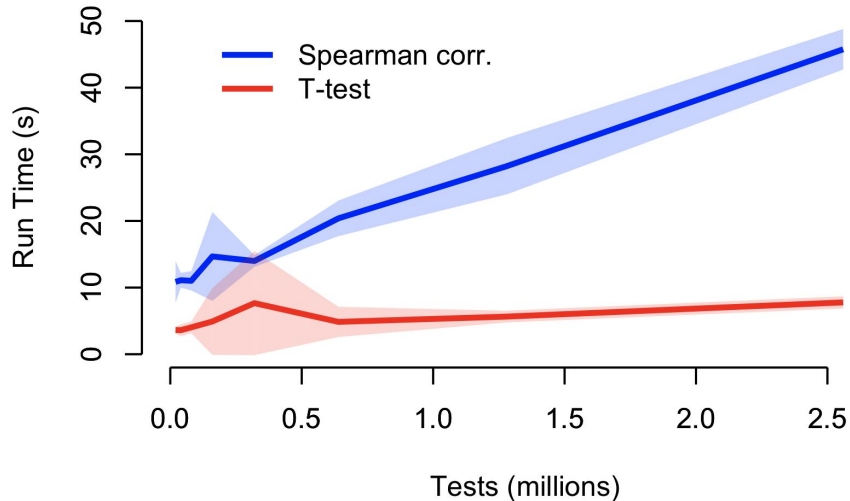
```

	gdc_id	project_id	gdc_data	pdc_id	idc_id	idc_segmentation	idc_derived	idc_quantitative	id
0	TCGA-31-1951	TCGA-OV	[Copy Number Segment, Masked Copy Number Segme...	None	None	[]	[]	[]	TCGA-31-1951
1	TCGA-FS-A1Z7	TCGA-SKCM	[Copy Number Segment, Masked Copy Number Segme...	None	None	[]	[]	[]	TCGA-FS-A1Z7
2	TCGA-FS-A1ZQ	TCGA-SKCM	[Copy Number Segment, Masked Copy Number Segme...	None	None	[]	[]	[]	TCGA-FS-A1ZQ
3	TCGA-60-2716	TCGA-LUSC	[Copy Number Segment, Masked Copy Number Segme...	None	TCGA-60-2716	[False]	[False]	[False]	TCGA-60-2716
4	TCGA-77-8153	TCGA-LUSC	[Copy Number Segment, Masked Copy Number Segme...	None	None	[]	[]	[]	TCGA-77-8153

# BigQuery is a powerful statistical tool that can run hundreds of millions of tests in seconds

Testing BigQuery compute time with statistical tests

- Millions of tests in 40 seconds
- 6.6 billion correlations for \$1.16



# How to run statistics inside BigQuery

Big data is hard. Statistics is even harder. Doing statistics on big data is mind-blowingly hard. We are going to provide some tools to start you on a road to making statistics on big data, if not easy, at least possible.



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<https://medium.com/@jrossthomson/how-to-run-statistics-inside-bigquery-95c0c6864f23>

# I'll show hands on navigation of working in the Google Cloud Console


- BigQuery Search Tool
- Google Cloud Console
  - VMs and pipelines
  - Navigating BigQuery
- Create a project
- Upload a small table
- Introductory exploration
- Notebooks section

[isb-cgc.org](https://isb-cgc.org)

# The benefits of working with ISB-CGC in the cloud

- Multiple specialized databases such as Mittleman
- Easy exploration of existing GDC and PDC data
- Access Virtual Machines and controlled data for customized pipelines
- BigQuery as a tool with scaling Excel functionality
  - Affordable storage and sharing of tabular data
  - Data exploration and quick statistics
  - Derived data from well known reference NCI datasets and annotations
  - Fast links between diverse data types
  - Advanced statistical analyses using Python, R, and Bioconductor
  - Rapidly able to expand to Machine Learning

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## ISB-CGC Office Hours

Do you need assistance with getting started? Questions on merging your research with cancer data in the cloud? Or possibly help with troubleshooting?

We have **virtual Office Hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays** for any questions on ISB-CGC functionality or data that you may have. We look forward to speaking with you.

Day of the Week	Time	Host	Link
Tuesday	2:00pm – 3:00pm Eastern	Poojitha Gundluru	<a href="http://meet.google.com/jkg-cxke-yzs">http://meet.google.com/jkg-cxke-yzs</a>
Thursday	11:00am – 12:00pm Eastern	Poojitha Gundluru	<a href="http://meet.google.com/jai-kgkg-sii">http://meet.google.com/jai-kgkg-sii</a>

# The ISB-CGC team



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