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HANDS-ON TRAINING

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Training Dataset

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Repression of p63 and induction of EMT by mutant Ras in mammary epithelial cells.

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Abstract

The p53-related transcription factor p63 is required for maintenance of epithelial cell differentiation. We found that activated forms of the Harvey Rat Sarcoma Virus GTPase (H-RAS) and phosphatidylinositol-4,5-bisphosphate 3-kinase catalytic subunit alpha (PIK3CA) oncogenes strongly repress expression of Δ Np63 α , the predominant p63 isoform in basal mammary epithelial cells. This regulation occurs at the transcriptional level, and a short region of the Δ Np63 promoter is sufficient for repression induced by H-RasV12. The suppression of Δ Np63 α expression by these oncogenes concomitantly leads to an epithelial-to-mesenchymal transition (EMT). In addition, the depletion of Δ Np63 α alone is sufficient to induce EMT. Both H-RasV12 expression and Δ Np63 α depletion induce individual cell invasion in a 3D collagen gel in vitro system, thereby demonstrating how Ras can drive the mammary epithelial cell state toward greater invasive ability. Together, these results suggest a pathway by which RAS and PIK3CA oncogenes induce EMT through regulation of Δ Np63 α .

KEYWORDS: H-Ras; breast cancer; epithelial mesenchymal transition; p63; transcriptional repression

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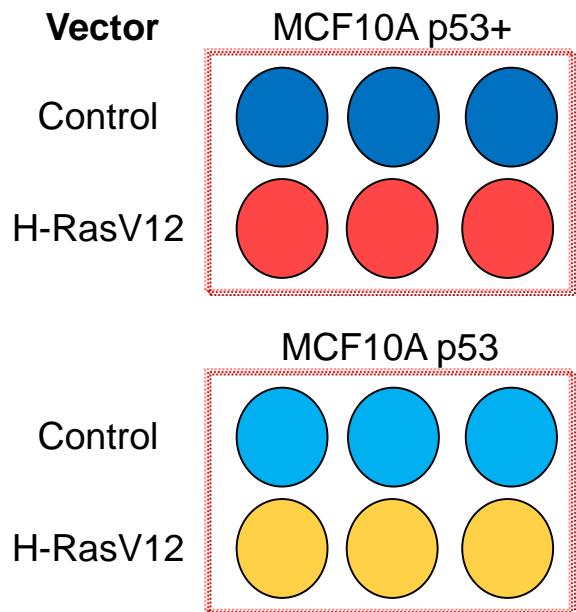
Data files in the project:

- MCF10A mammary epithelial cells, with or without p53 deletion, were transfected with lentiviral vectors:

-Control vector

-H-RasV12 vector

- mRNA purified and sequenced (paired-end reads) using the Illumina HiSeq 2000



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Login and Project Set-up

- Open Google Chrome/Firefox and enter: NCIdemo.partek.com
- Log in using the username and password given to you
- This will open to the Partek Flow homepage
- Click **New Project** and enter project name: RNAseq-[username]
- This will create a new project

The screenshot shows the Partek Flow homepage with a list of existing projects. A 'New project' dialog box is overlaid on the page, prompting the user to enter a project name.

Home

New project

Search...

Project name	Owner	Your role	Last modified	Size	Actions
RNASeq of 5-aza treated HT29	wxw	Collaborator		4 GB	X
CRC Germline Variants	Eric Seiser	Administrator		GB	X
CRC Tumor/Normal-DNASeq	Eric Seiser	Collaborator	Mar 9,2017	10.06 GB	X
Prostate Cancer RNASeq	Cherry Ignacio	Collaborator	Mar 7,2017	58.25 GB	X
1000Genomes CEPH Trio Exome	Eric Seiser	Collaborator	Mar 1,2017	71.56 GB	X
Pteropus alecto	Ivan Lukic	Administrator	Feb 28,2017	10.99 GB	X

New project

Name

Create project

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Data Upload

- Creating a new project automatically opens up the **Data** tab
- To upload your data, click **Add samples>Automatically create samples from files**
- Browse to /home/flow/FlowData/RNA-seq1
- Select all 24 fastq.gz files and click **Create sample**
 - Partek Flow recognizes paired-end read data if tagged with (_1 or _R1)

The screenshot shows the Partek Flow software interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs for 'Analyses', 'Data' (which is selected), 'Log', and 'Project settings'. A 'Home > RNaseq-user0' breadcrumb is visible. A modal window titled 'Add samples' is open, containing three options: 'Automatically create samples from files' (selected), 'Import samples from another project', and 'Create a new blank sample'. Below this, the main workspace shows a 'Select files from' dropdown set to 'Partek Flow server'. A 'Select files' section displays a file tree under '/home/flow/FlowData/RNA-seq' and a list of 18 selected files. The list includes various fastq.gz files, such as SRR592573_1.fastq.gz, SRR592573_2.fastq.gz, SRR592574_1.fastq.gz, SRR592574_2.fastq.gz, SRR592575_1.fastq.gz, SRR592575_2.fastq.gz, SRR592576_1.fastq.gz, and SRR592576_2.fastq.gz. A note at the bottom of the list specifies valid file types. At the bottom of the screen, there are 'Back' and 'Create sample' buttons, with 'Create sample' being the one currently highlighted.

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Sample Attribute Assignment

- Assign sample attributes using a tab-delimited text file
 - Contains table with ID in 1st column, followed by corresponding treatment groups
- Click **Assign sample attributes from a file**
- In the same folder, select sampleInfo.txt, click **Next**
- Click **Import**
- This will assign treatment groups to all samples

Analyses Data Log Project settings Attachments				
	Sample name	Attributes	Files	
		Treatment	fastq	+/-
1	SRR3541289	p53- Control	2 files: SRR3541289_1, SRR3541289_2	
2	SRR3541290	p53- Control	2 files: SRR3541290_1, SRR3541290_2	
3	SRR3541291	p53- Control	2 files: SRR3541291_1, SRR3541291_2	
4	SRR3541292	p53- H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541292_1, SRR3541292_2	
5	SRR3541293	p53- H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541293_1, SRR3541293_2	
6	SRR3541294	p53- H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541294_1, SRR3541294_2	
7	SRR3541295	p53+ Control	2 files: SRR3541295_1, SRR3541295_2	
8	SRR3541296	p53+ Control	2 files: SRR3541296_1, SRR3541296_2	
9	SRR3541297	p53+ Control	2 files: SRR3541297_1, SRR3541297_2	
10	SRR3541298	p53+ H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541298_1, SRR3541298_2	
11	SRR3541299	p53+ H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541299_1, SRR3541299_2	
12	SRR3541300	p53+ H-RasV12	2 files: SRR3541300_1, SRR3541300_2	

Hide data files **Download**

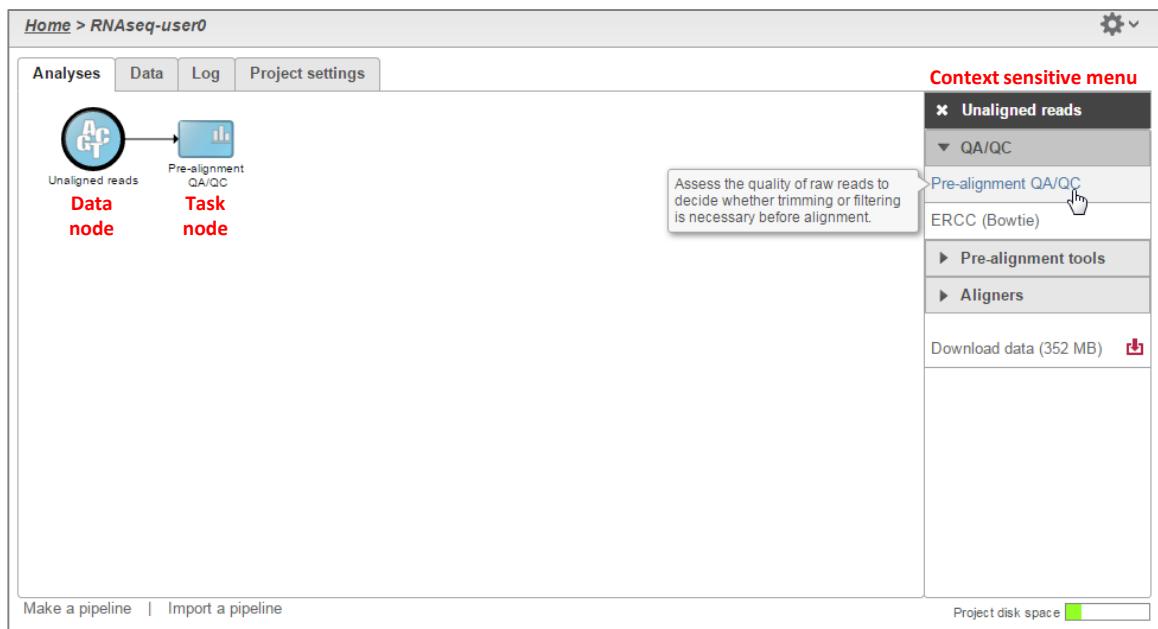
Import data **Edit attributes** **Assign sample attributes from a file** **Add a system-wide attribute column** **Apply attributes by importing a file with information about your samples** **Manage attributes**

Project output directory /home/flow/FlowData/Project_NCI training (8.97 TB free)

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Analyses Tab Overview

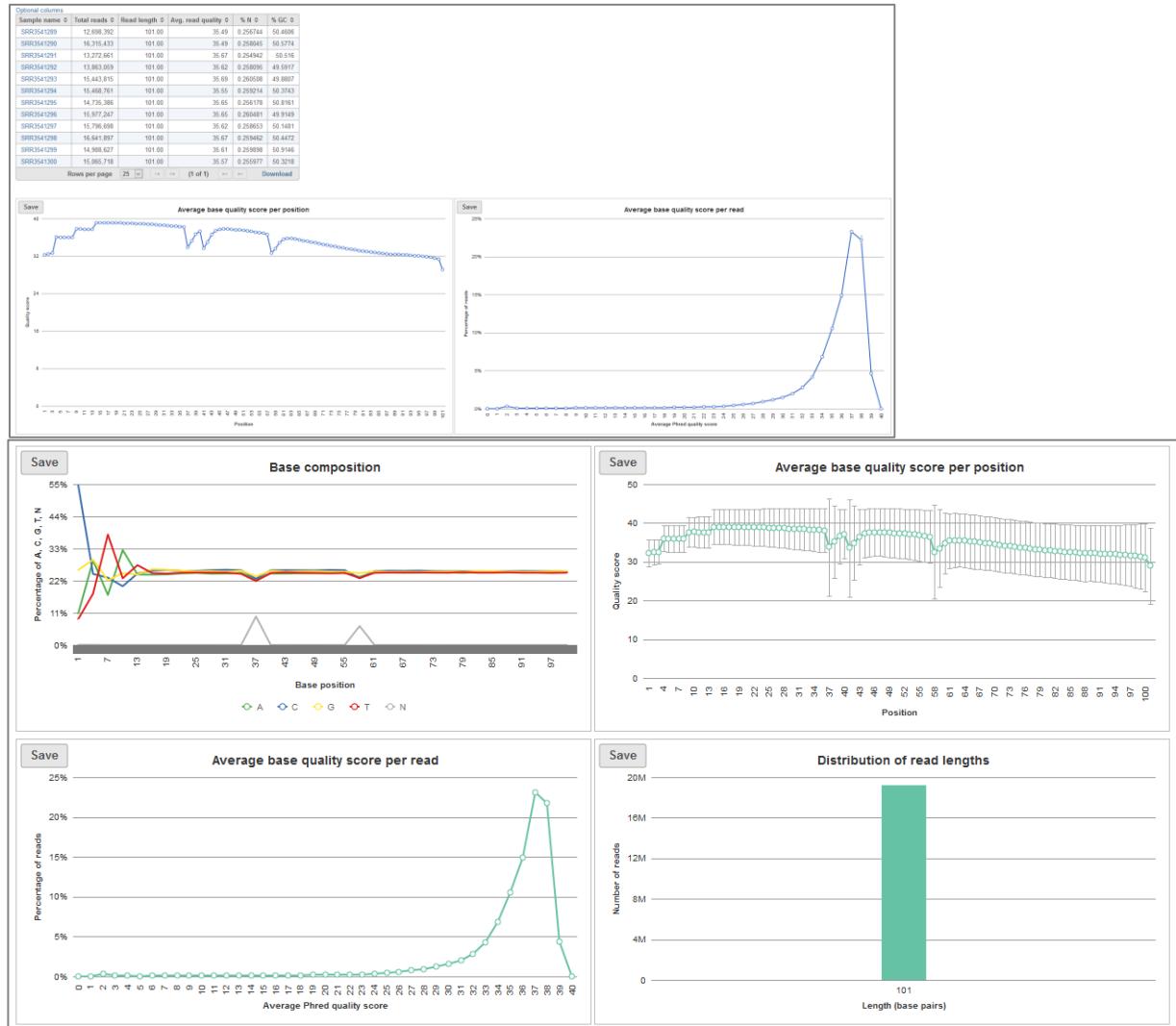
- Go to the **Analyses** tab
- Your first data node, the **Unaligned reads** node appears. All data nodes are circles
- Select the **Unaligned reads** data node and select **Pre-alignment QA/QC**
- Use the default settings and click **Finish**
- This will create a new task node in the **Analyses** tab. All task nodes are rectangles
- Clicking any node will bring up a **Context sensitive menu** on the right. Only the tasks that can be performed on that node will appear in this menu



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Pre-alignment QA/QC

- Double-clicking on the Pre-alignment QA/QC node opens the task report
- Double-clicking each sample name also shows QA/QC results for each sample

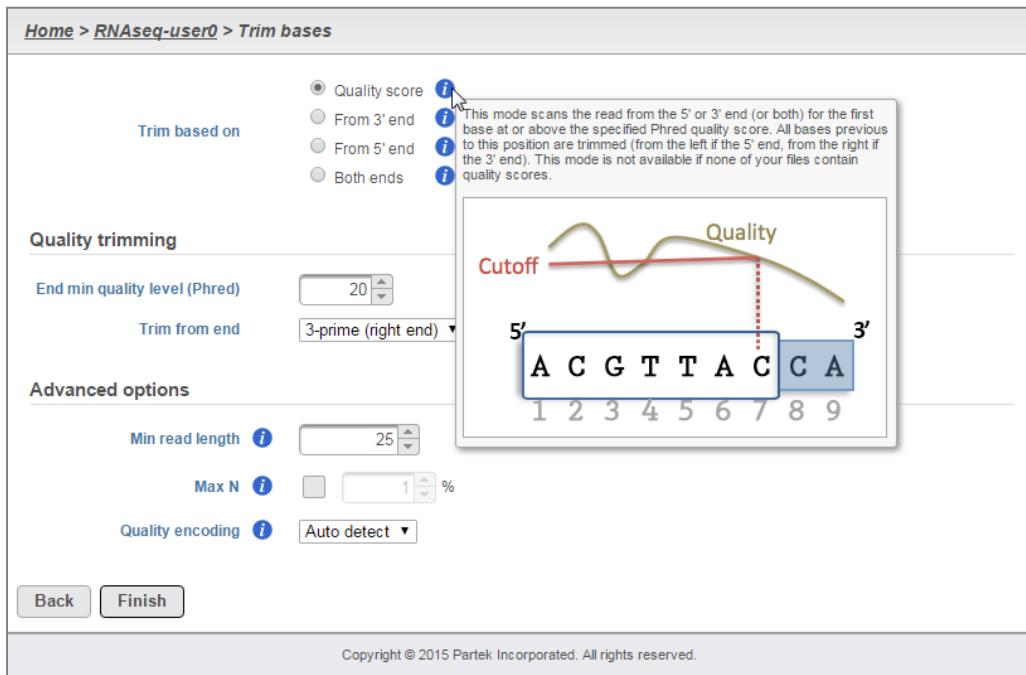


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Pre-analysis Tools: Trim bases

Base trimming based on quality score

- Select **Unaligned reads** data node
- Click **Trim bases** from the **Pre-analysis tools** section in the toolbox
- Select **Trim based on: Quality score** with default settings and click **Finish**
- This will trim the reads at the 3' end with a Phred quality score less than 20
- This produces your 1st new data node, the Trimmed reads data node
- *Tip:* hover over any  to get additional information about a specific parameter



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Alignment

Using STAR aligner (can do junction reads)

- Select the **Trimmed reads** data node
- Click **STAR** from the **Aligner** section of the menu
- Select STAR index:
 - Genome build: **Homo sapiens (human) - hg19_chr22**
 - Index: **Whole genome**
- Use the default options, click **Finish**

The screenshot shows the Partek Flow software interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for Home, Queue, Projects, and a user profile labeled "admin". Below the navigation bar, the URL "Home > RNAseq-user0 > STAR" is displayed. The main content area is titled "Select STAR 2.4.1d index". It contains two dropdown menus: "Genome build" set to "Homo sapiens (human) - hg19_chr22" and "Index" set to "Whole genome". There are sections for "Alignment options" and "Advanced options". Under "Alignment options", there is a checkbox for "Generate unaligned reads". Under "Advanced options", there is a dropdown for "Option set" set to "Default" and a "Configure" button. At the bottom of the screen, there are "Back" and "Finish" buttons, and a copyright notice: "Copyright © 2015 Partek Incorporated. All rights reserved."

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Post-alignment QA/QC

- Perform Post-alignment QA/QC to asses the quality of the alignment task
- Select **Aligned reads** data node
- Click **Post-alignment QA/QC** from the **QA/QC** section of the menu
- Use default settings and click **Finish**
- Click on a sample name to get QA/QC results for that sample name



Notes:

Quantification to Transcriptome

- Mapping aligned reads to transcriptome database
- Select **Aligned reads** data node
- Click **Quantify to transcriptome (E/M)** from the **RNA-Seq Analysis** section of the menu
- Select **RefSeq** as the Annotation model and click **Finish**

[Home](#) > [RNaseq-user0](#) > Quantify to transcriptome (Partek E/M)

Select annotation file

Genome build Homo sapiens (human) - hg19_chr22

Annotation model RefSeq ▾

Quantification options

Strict paired-end compatibility [i](#)

Require junction reads to match introns [i](#)

Strand specificity [i](#) No ▾

Percent of read length [i](#) 100 ▾

Minimum read overlap with feature

Number of bases [i](#) 50 ▾

Report unexplained regions

Min reads for unexplained region 30 ▾

Include BAM files in output project file [i](#)

[Back](#)

[Finish](#)



Notes:

Viewing Quantification results

- To view the results of the quantification, select the **Gene counts** data node
- Click **Task report** on the menu
- Click **Download** in the context sensitive menu to download a .txt file of the read counts

Optional columns									
Sample name	Total reads	Fully within an exon	Partly within an exon	Fully within an intron	Fully intergenic	Incompatible paired-end	Compatible junctions	Total junctions	View
SRR3541289	9,055,372.00	73.72%	1.62%	4.77%	6.90%	12.99%	3,598,952.00	4,466,521.00	
SRR3541290	11,456,351.00	72.33%	1.62%	5.13%	8.35%	12.57%	4,387,016.00	5,440,403.00	
SRR3541291	9,443,178.00	73.18%	1.64%	5.46%	7.03%	12.70%	3,630,548.00	4,542,733.00	
SRR3541292	9,690,019.00	74.12%	1.57%	4.89%	6.59%	12.83%	3,784,962.00	4,691,222.00	
SRR3541293	10,741,194.00	74.41%	1.49%	4.22%	7.26%	12.62%	4,181,182.00	5,168,187.00	
SRR3541294	10,712,578.00	74.15%	1.53%	4.45%	7.13%	12.74%	4,200,474.00	5,195,114.00	
SRR3541295	10,547,744.00	74.64%	1.62%	4.92%	6.06%	12.76%	4,142,194.00	5,128,654.00	
SRR3541296	11,353,730.00	72.72%	1.65%	5.61%	7.53%	12.49%	4,326,763.00	5,373,354.00	
SRR3541297	11,191,964.00	73.17%	1.63%	5.23%	7.23%	12.73%	4,353,389.00	5,391,138.00	
SRR3541298	11,759,093.00	73.41%	1.55%	5.17%	7.63%	12.24%	4,460,098.00	5,543,317.00	
SRR3541299	10,529,292.00	73.60%	1.52%	5.04%	7.44%	12.41%	3,924,308.00	4,927,868.00	
SRR3541300	10,582,254.00	72.93%	1.57%	5.28%	7.93%	12.29%	3,983,667.00	4,955,208.00	
Average	10,580,565.75	73.51%	1.58%	5.02%	7.28%	12.60%	4,081,129.42	5,068,643.25	

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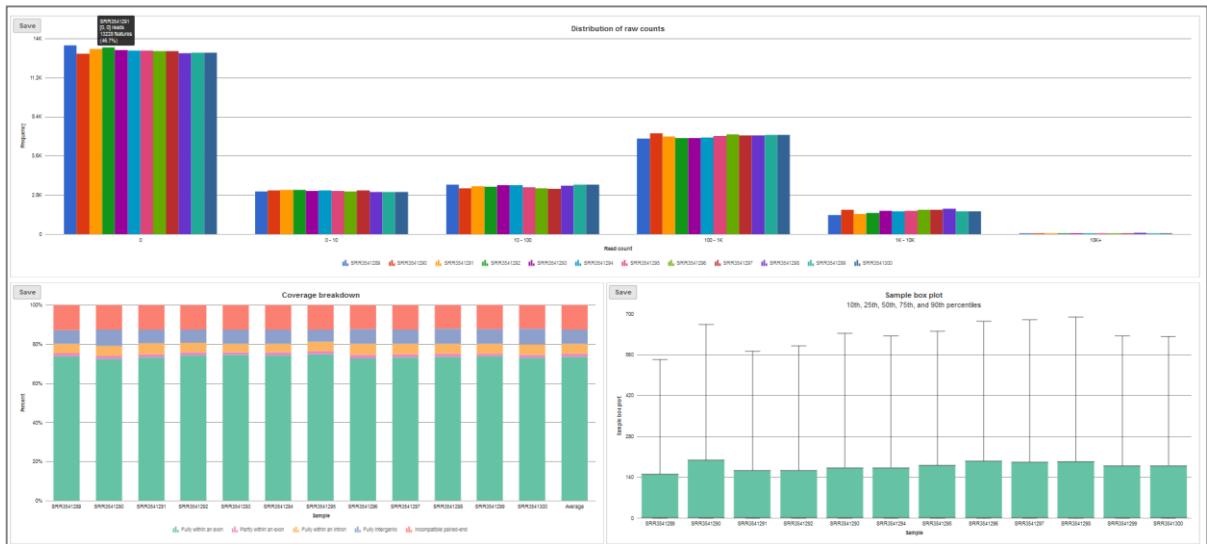
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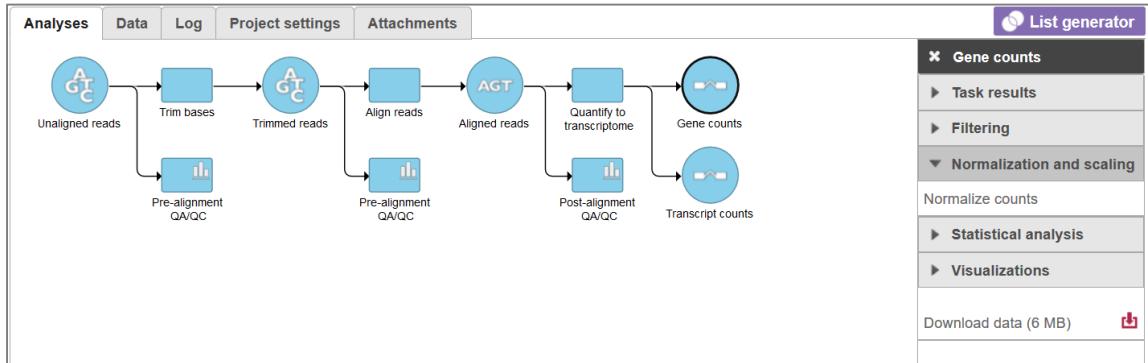
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Normalization

- To adjust for technical variation in the data, click on the **Gene Counts** data node and go to Normalize counts under the Normalization and scaling tab
- In the dialog, click **Recommended** and then click **Finish**
- This will create a **Normalized counts** data node



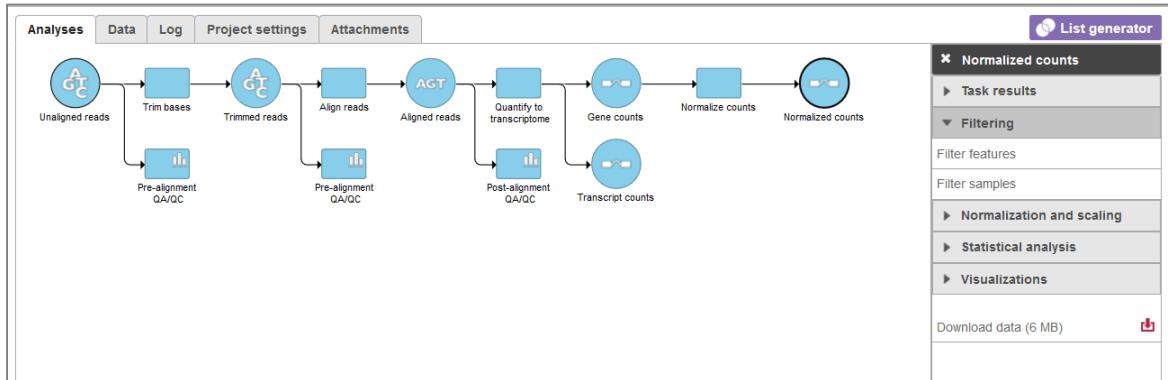
The dialog box is titled "Read count normalization". It has the following sections:

- "Transform on": Radio buttons for "Samples" (selected) and "Features".
- "Normalization methods": A list of normalization methods including Absolute value, Add, Antilog, Divide by, FPKM, Log, Logit, Lower bound, Multiply by, Quantile normalization, Rank, Subtract, TMM, TPM, and Total count. A vertical scrollbar is on the right side of this list.
- "Normalization order": A green button labeled "Recommended" with a thumbs-up icon. To its right is a list of steps:
 1. Total count
 2. AddA "Drag and drop" arrow points from the list to the "Normalization order" section.

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Filtering Low Expression

- To remove genes that have low expression across samples, click on the **Normalized counts** data node and select **Filter features** under the Filtering tab in the menu
- In the dialog, ensure that *Filter out features where* is set to **geometric mean** and **<=1.0**
- Clicking Finish will create a **Filtered counts** data node



Filter out features where

The **geometric mean** is **<=** **1.0**

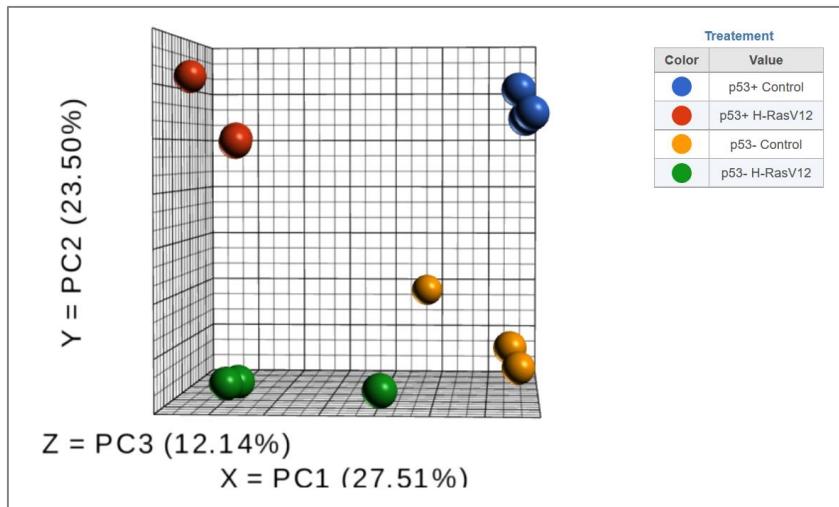
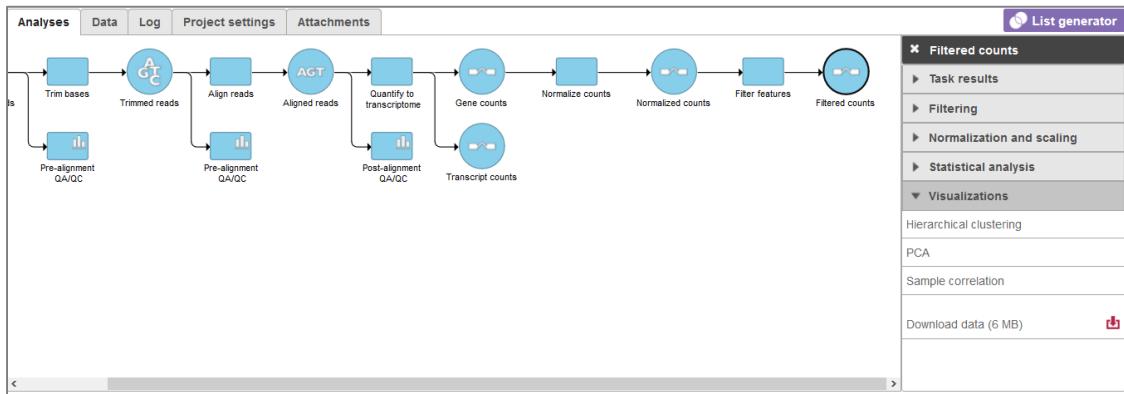
Expression value is **<** **5.0** in at least **80.0** % of the samples

Back **Finish**

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Principal Components Analysis

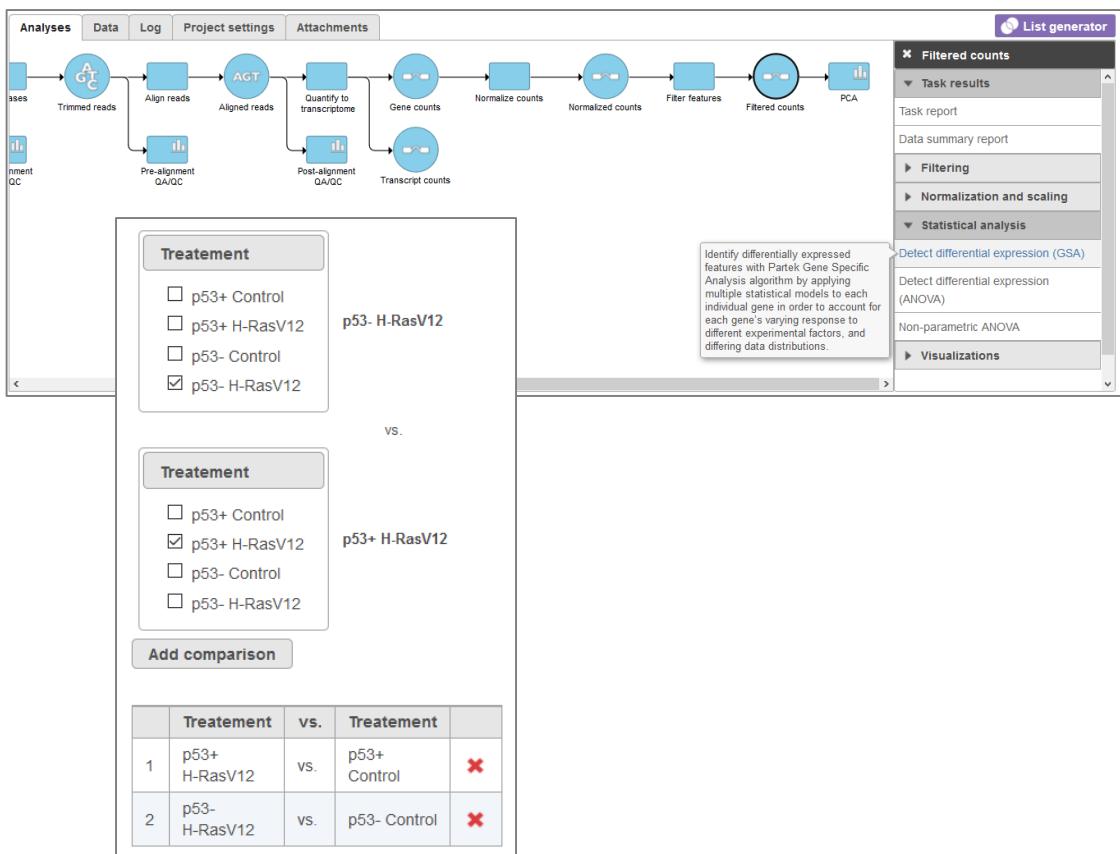
- The principal components analysis (PCA) scatter plot allows you to assess relatedness between samples and identify outliers
- This can only be performed on quantified data
- To create the PCA plot, select the **Filtered counts** data node and select **PCA** under the **Visualizations** portion of the menu



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Differential Expression Analysis

- Select the Quantification data node
- Click **Differential gene expression (GSA)** from the **Statistical analysis** section of the menu
- Select **Treatment** as the categorical attribute
- Select **p53+ H-RasV12 vs p53+ Control** and click **Add comparison**
- Select **p53- H-RasV12 vs p53- Control** and click **Add comparison**
- Select **p53- H-RasV12 vs p53+ H-RasV12**, click **Add comparison** and click **Finish**



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Creating a Filtered Gene List

- Select **Feature List** data node and then click **Task report** in the toolbox
- Under the **Gene list** section, on the **Filter** panel select:
 - **FDR step up**, then select **Per contrast** for **p53+ H-RasV12 vs p53+ Control** and set it to Less than or equal to 0.05
- At the bottom of the table, click to **Generate filtered Node**
- Repeat this two more times for the other two contrasts performed to create 3 total filtered **Feature list** nodes

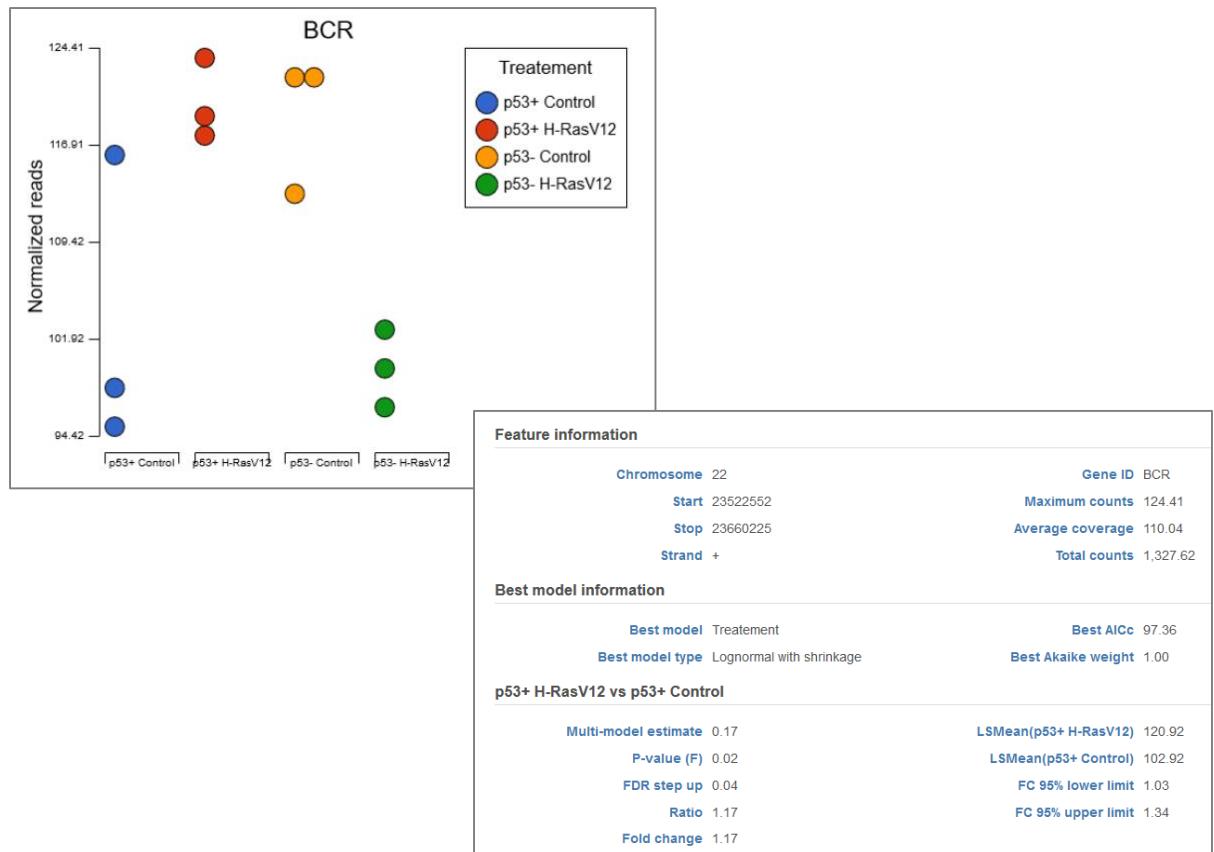
Gene list

Optional columns									
	View	Gene ID	Chromosome	Total counts	P-value	FDR step up	Ratio	Fold change	LSN
1	ZSWIM5	1		22.19	4.6E-4	2.32E-3	3.58	3.58	
2	CDC42BPA	1		1,000.37	4.58E-5	4.08E-4	1.79	1.79	
3	PLEKHA6	1		568.71	6.51E-6	9.34E-5	0.45	-2.23	
4	PHTF1	1		153.31	1.76E-4	1.12E-3	1.60	1.60	
5	PFKFB2	1		228.05	7.2E-5	5.76E-4	0.57	-1.74	
6	PEX19	1		741.68	6.93E-3	0.02	1.19	1.19	
7	PEAR1	1		82.74	5.87E-3	0.02	1.49	1.49	
8	PATJ	1		448.72	2.25E-8	1.1E-6	0.37	-2.72	
9	PADI2	1		101.21	6.38E-3	0.02	0.46	-2.19	
10	CGN	1		241.42	3.24E-9	2.48E-7	0.19	-5.32	
11	NVL	1		316.01	4.29E-3	0.01	0.68	-1.46	
12	PMF1	1		190.03	5.15E-5	4.46E-4	0.50	-2.01	

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Viewing Gene/Transcript Level Results

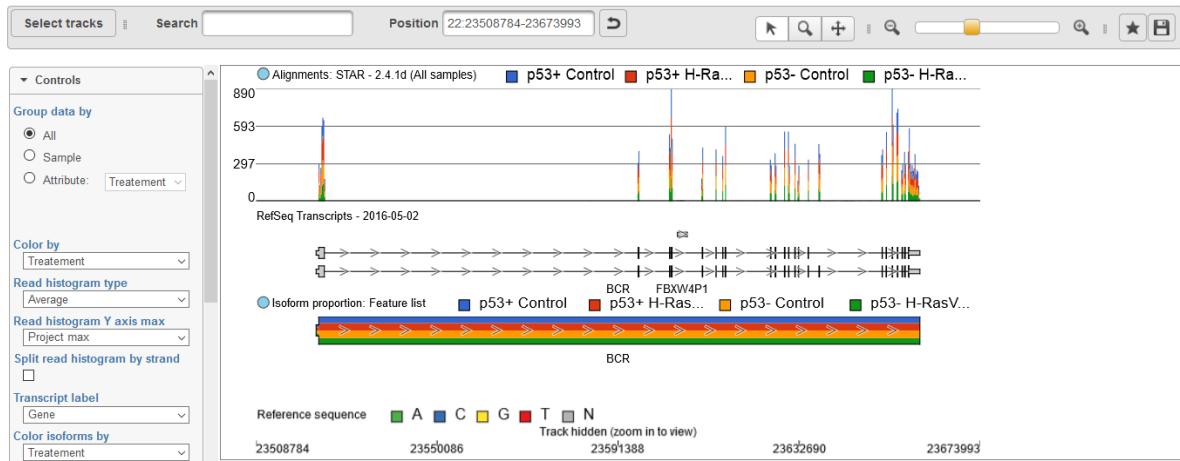
- Select **Feature List** data node and then click **Task report** in the menu
- On the table, under the **View** column, select
 - to view the Dot plot
 - to see the region in Chromosome View
 - to see additional information about the statistical results



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Chromosome Viewer

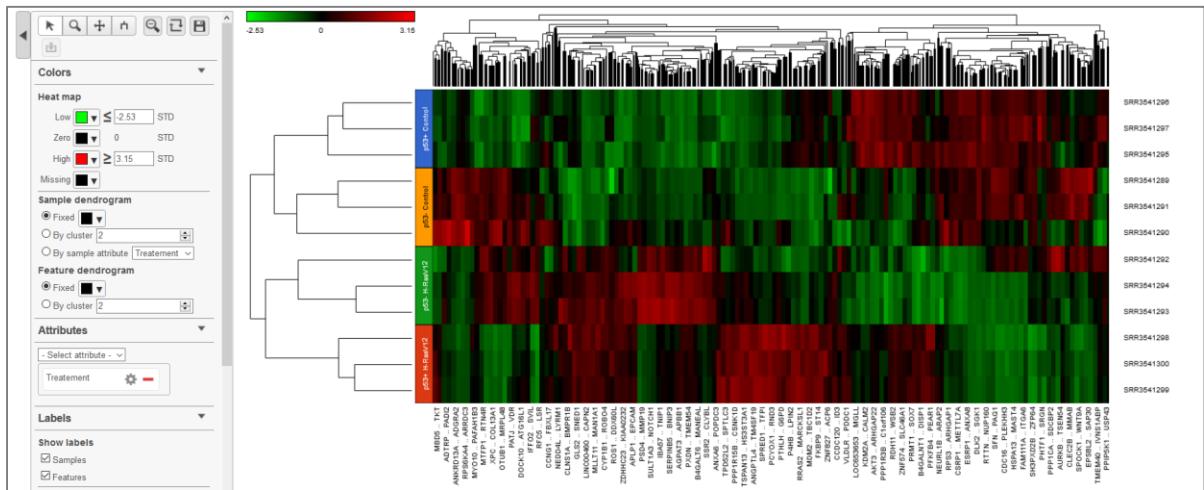
- **Select tracks** allows you to select different annotations or datasets to view together
- Sample grouping, color and transcript labeling can be edited in the **Controls** panel
- Search for any gene using the **Search** box
- Navigate to a genomic coordinate using the **Position** box
- Change and pin any displayed tracks using **Track order**
- Select any read in the reads pileup track to display additional information about the read



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Hierarchical Clustering

- Select any **Feature list** data node to perform clustering on that list of genes/transcripts
- For this training, select any **Feature list** produced after filtering
- Click **Hierarchical clustering** from the **Visualization** section of the menu
- Use default parameters and click **Finish**
- Select the **Hierarchical clustering** task node and click on **Task Report**



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Enrichment Analysis

- Perform gene set enrichment analysis using filtered list of genes
- Select **Feature List** data node resulting from the Filtered gene analysis task
- Select **Enrichment analysis** from the **Biological interpretation** section of the menu
- Select **GO** (Gene Ontology) as Gene set annotation and then click **Finish**
- Select the **Enrichment** task node and click on **Task Report**
- Select  to get additional information about each specific pathway

[Home > RNAseq-user0 > GO enrichment](#)

Gene set	Description	Enrichment score	P-value	Genes in list	Genes not in list	
GO:1901605	alpha-amino acid metabolic process	8.97	1.27E-4	3	0	 
GO:0034622	cellular macromolecular complex assembly	7.92	3.63E-4	5	9	 
GO:0065004	protein-DNA complex assembly	6.74	1.18E-3	3	2	 
GO:0071824	protein-DNA complex subunit organization	6.08	2.28E-3	3	3	 
GO:0042219	cellular modified amino acid catabolic process	5.94	2.64E-3	2	0	 
GO:0043648	dicarboxylic acid metabolic process	5.94	2.64E-3	2	0	 
GO:0044843	cell cycle G1/S phase transition	5.94	2.64E-3	2	0	 

[Home > RNAseq-user0 > GO enrichment report > GO enrichment extra details](#)

Gene set **GO:1901605**

Enrichment score **8.97466**

Description alpha-amino acid metabolic process

P-value **1.26577E-4**

Gene breakdown

	In list	Not in list
In set	3	0
Not in set	18	378

▼ Genes in list

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PRODH GCAT GGT1

▼ Genes not in list

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alpha-amino acid metabolic process

Term Information

Accession: GO:1901605
Name: alpha-amino acid metabolic process
Ontology: biological_process
Synonyms: alpha-amino acid metabolic process
Definition: The chemical reactions and pathways involving an alpha-amino acid. Source: GO:TermGene
Comment: None
Notes: See term history for GO:1901605 at QuKEGO
Subset: GO:1901605
Community: On Add comment usage for this term on the GONUTS wiki.
Related: [To all general gene processes involved in alpha-amino acid metabolic process](#)
[To all direct and indirect annotations](#) [Annotations download](#) (limited to first 10,000) for alpha-amino acid metabolic process.
Feedback: Contact the GO Helpdesk if you find mistakes or have concerns about the data you find here.

Annotations Graph Views Inferred Tree View Ancestors and Children Mappings

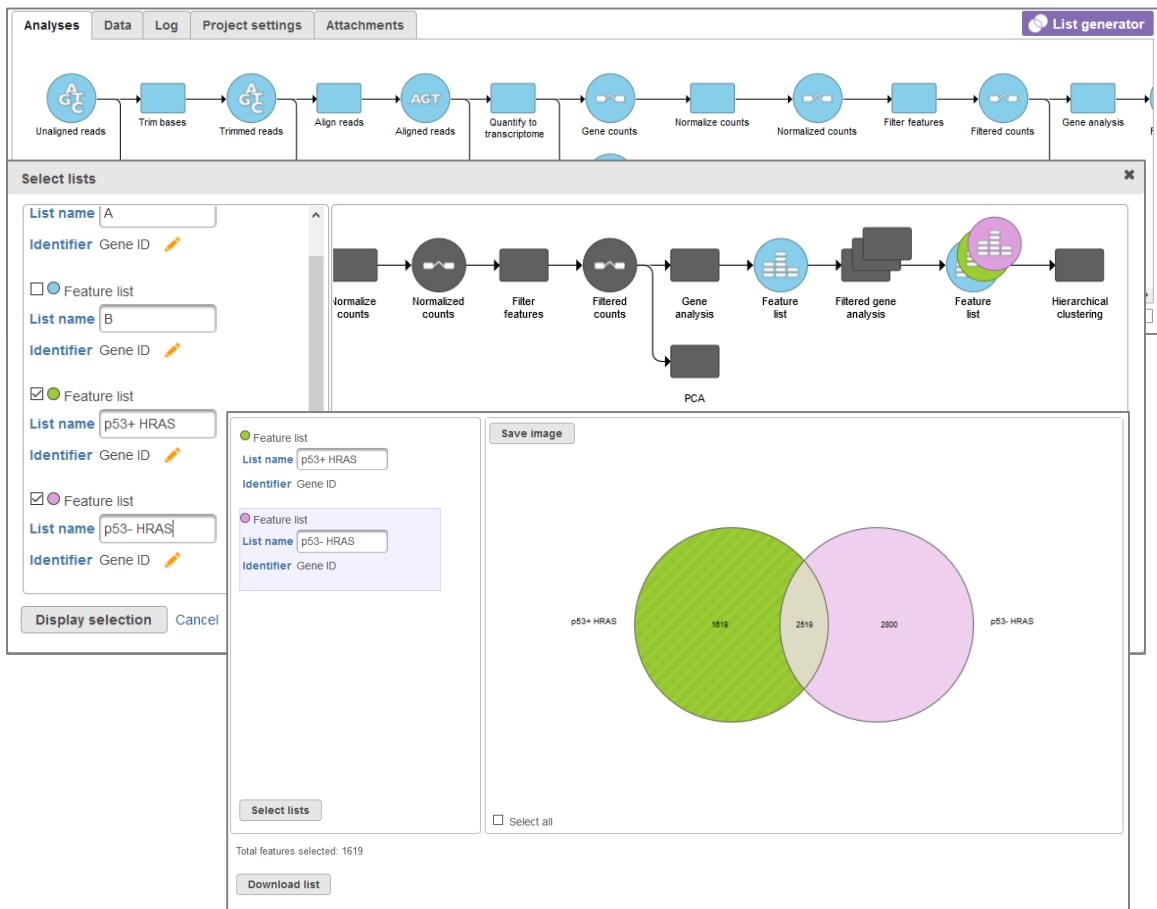
Free-text filtering Found entities Total 27531, showing 10-10 Results count: 10

Gene/product	Gene/product name	Qualifier	Direct annotation	Annotation extension	Assigned by	Taxon	Evidence	Evidence with	PANTHER family
lysine biosynthetic process via aminoacidic acid	lysine biosynthetic process via aminoacidic acid				GO_Central	Bacillus	IBA	PANTHER.PT0000250224	phosphotransferase transloc
lysine biosynthetic process via aminoacidic acid	lysine biosynthetic process via aminoacidic acid				1980_UF-70			pthr12215	
pro-4	pro-4				GO_Central	Neurospora	IBA	PANTHER.PT0000115462	glutamate semialdehyde dehydrogenase pthr11682
FT0777	Adenylylhomocysteate				GO_Central	Yersinia	IBA	PANTHER.PT0000027759	adenylylhomocysteate pthr11682

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Creating Gene Lists

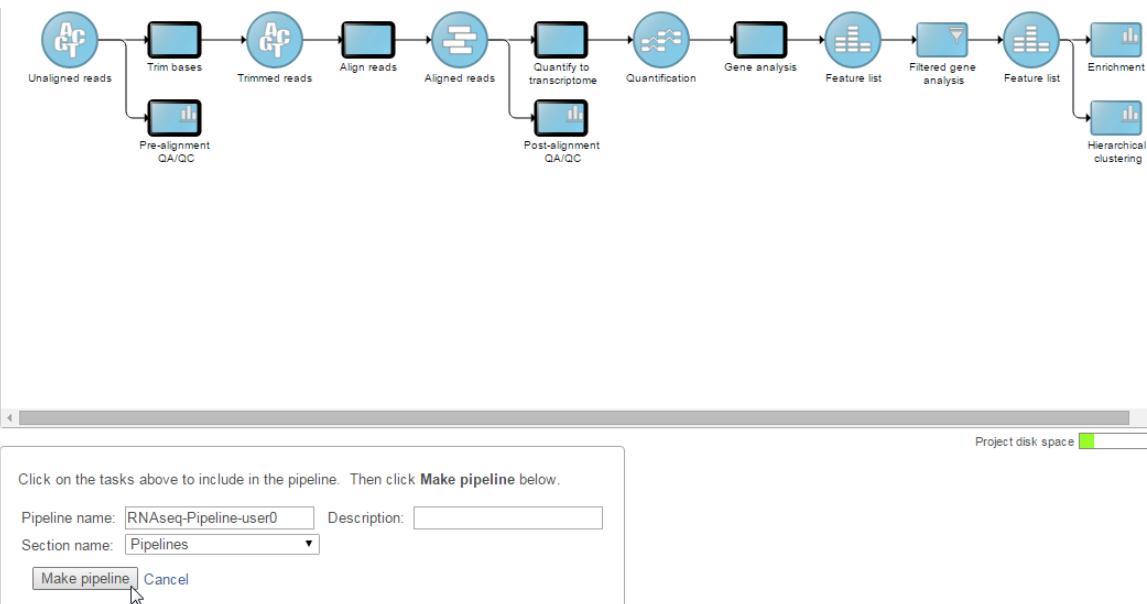
- In the Analysis tab, select **List generator** at the top right of the pipeline
- In the dialog, select 2 lists to compare (rename them for clarity), then click **Display selection**
- The venn diagram allows for selection of any region(s) and the associated list can be saved by clicking **Download list**



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Creating Pipelines

- Creating pipelines allows you to repeat a series of tasks on different projects
- On the Analyses tab, click **Make a pipeline** at the lower-left of the page
- Name the pipeline as **RNAseq-Pipeline-[username]**
- Select **Section name: Pipelines** then select the task nodes (rectangles) to include in the pipeline
- Click **Make pipeline** to create the pipeline



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Further Training

Self-learning

- Check out <http://www.partek.com/resources-partek-flow> for resources
 - Recorded webinars available on Partek Incorporated's YouTube page

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