

# Genome Annotation with RAST and Artemis

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## The RAST Server: Rapid Annotations using Subsystems Technology

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# RAST

Rapid Annotation using  
Subsystem Technology version 2.0

The NMPDR, SEED-based, prokaryotic genome annotation service.  
For more information about The SEED please visit [theSEED.org](http://theSEED.org).

## Info:

### RAST Pipeline Downtime

The RAST pipeline is currently being drained and idled for for an upgrade to the RAST code and data and for data moves that will allow us to take full advantage of new hardware infrastructure.

While it is idled, new jobs may be uploaded to the system. However, the execution of any jobs not yet started will be blocked until we complete the maintenance (no later than Weds May 19).

The frontend interface to the RAST will remain operative except when we are actively updating the RAST system software, during which time there may be some instability in the user interface.

RAST (Rapid Annotation using Subsystem Technology) is a fully-automated service for annotating bacterial and archaeal genomes. It provides high quality genome annotations for these genomes across the whole phylogenetic tree.

As the number of more or less complete bacterial and archaeal genome sequences is constantly rising, the need for high quality automated initial annotations is rising with it. In response to numerous requests for a SEED-quality automated annotation service, we provide RAST as a free service to the community. It leverages the data and procedures established within the [SEED framework](#) to provide automated high quality gene calling and functional annotation. RAST supports both the automated annotation of high quality genome sequences AND the analysis of draft genomes. The service normally makes the annotated genome available within 12-24 hours of submission.

Please note that while the SEED environment and SEED data structures (most prominently [FIGfams](#)) are used to compute the automatic annotations, the data is NOT added into the SEED automatically. Users can however request inclusion of a their genome in the SEED. Once annotation is completed, genomes can be downloaded in a variety of formats or viewed online. The genome annotation provided does include a mapping of genes to [subsystems](#) and a metabolic reconstruction.

To be able to contact you once the computation is finished and in case user intervention is required, we request that users register with email address.

#### If you use our service, please cite:

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Image from RAST website: <http://rast.nmpdr.org/>

# RAST Annotation

Subsystem Statistics

Features in Subsystems

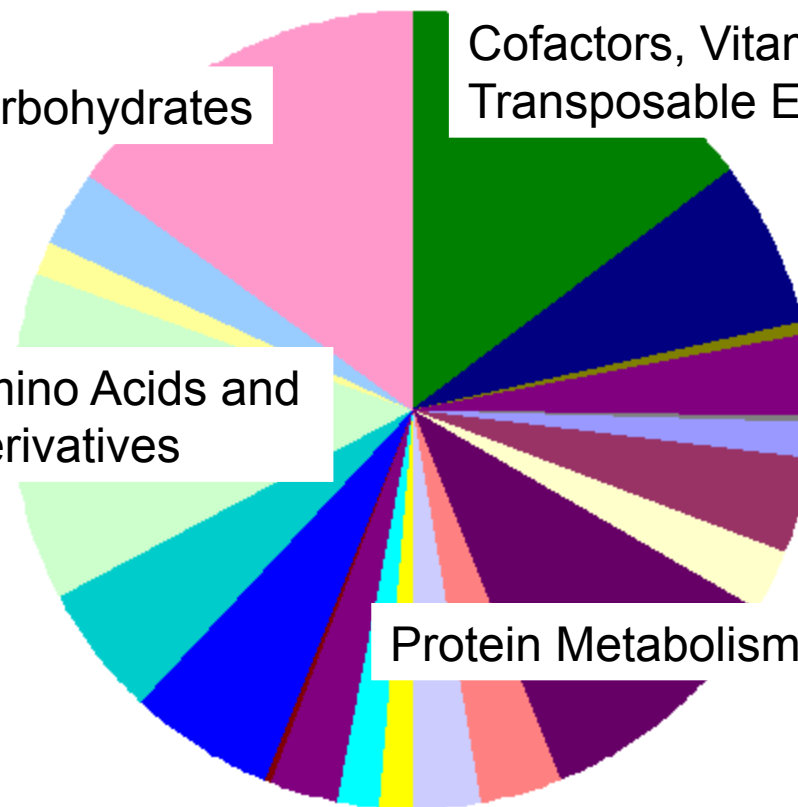
Subsystem Coverage



Carbohydrates

Amino Acids and Derivatives

Subsystem Category Distribution



Cofactors, Vitamins, Transposable Elements

Protein Metabolism

Subsystem Feature Counts

- ⊕ Cell wall and Capsule (88)
- ⊕ Potassium metabolism (9)
- ⊕ Photosynthesis (45)
- ⊕ Plasmids (0)
- ⊕ Miscellaneous (5)
- ⊕ Membrane Transport (18)
- ⊕ RNA Metabolism (53)
- ⊕ Nucleosides and Nucleotides (34)
- ⊕ Protein Metabolism (144)
- ⊕ Cell Division and Cell Cycle (43)
- ⊕ Motility and Chemotaxis (2)
- ⊕ Regulation and Cell signaling (39)
- ⊕ Secondary Metabolism (0)
- ⊕ DNA Metabolism (19)
- ⊕ Virulence (23)
- ⊕ Fatty Acids, Lipids, and Isoprenoids (37)
- ⊕ Nitrogen Metabolism (6)
- ⊕ Dormancy and Sporulation (3)
- ⊕ Respiration (79)
- ⊕ Stress Response (71)
- ⊕ Metabolism of Aromatic Compounds (2)
- ⊕ Amino Acids and Derivatives (180)
- ⊕ Sulfur Metabolism (22)
- ⊕ Phosphorus Metabolism (40)
- ⊕ Carbohydrates (195)

# The Artemis Comparison Tool (ACT)

- Artemis
- DNA Plotter
- WebACT



## ACT: The Artemis Comparison Tool

Welcome to ACT, the Artemis Comparison Tool.

ACT is a DNA sequence comparison viewer written in Java. It is based on the software for Artemis, the genome viewer and annotation tool. ACT runs on UNIX, GNU/Linux, Macintosh and MS Windows systems. It can read complete EMBL and GENBANK entries or sequences in FASTA or raw format. Other sequence features can be in EMBL, GENBANK or GFF format.

ACT is freely available to anyone. Please acknowledge us if you use it. Click on the "Information" tab for full details.

### Links

- > [Artemis](#) - a DNA sequence viewer and annotation tool
- > [DNAPlotter](#) - makes circular and linear interactive plots
- > [BamView](#) - interactive display of read alignments in BAM data files



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### Information Development Downloads Contact

#### New to ACT?

The [ACT manual](#) explains how to install and run ACT and what most parts of the program do.

#### License

ACT is free software and is distributed under the terms of the [GNU General Public License](#). It should run on any system with a recent version of Java, but is currently best supported on UNIX and GNU/Linux.

#### Related software

Two separate ACT-related web sites been developed. [WebACT](#) was written by David Aanensen and James Abbott at Imperial College (see [Abbott JC et al. 2007](#) for details). As well as generating custom comparison files, users can generate comparisons from specified EMBL entries and use a set of pre-computed whole genome comparisons. All comparison files can be downloaded for local use or viewed on the web using an ACT applet. [DoubleACT](#) was written by Anthony Underwood and Jonathan Green at the [Health Protection Agency](#) and allows you to paste or upload sequences to generate ACT comparison files.

#### Acknowledgements & references

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- > **ACT: the Artemis Comparison Tool.**  
Carver TJ, Rutherford KM, Berriman M, Rajandream MA, Barrell BG and Parkhill J  
*Bioinformatics (Oxford, England)* 2005;**21**;16;3422-3  
PUBMED: [15976072](#); DOI: [10.1093/bioinformatics/bti553](#)

Artemis Entry Edit: DC3000\_chrom.gbk

File Entries Select View Goto Edit Create Write Display

Selected feature: bases 615 amino acids 204 hopPtoF (/gene="hopPtoF" /codon\_start=1 /transl\_table=11 /prod

Entry: ☒ DC3000\_chrom.gbk

00500

00500

300 547200 548000 548800 549600 550400 551200 552000 552800

hopPtoS2 hopPtoF schF PSPT00504

schF

hopPtoS2 hopPtoF

G L Y T \* R E P E V P Q I L P I M V S S F # K L Q I A S F N P

M G Y T H D V S P R C R K Y Y L # U F P L F K N C R L L L L C P

U A I H M T \* A R G A A M I T Y N G F L F L K T A D C F F Y A

TGGGCTATACACATGACGTGAGCCCGAGGTGCCGCAAAATATTACCTATAATGGTTTCCTCTTTTAAAAACTGCAGATTGCITCTTTTATGCCC

549990 550000 550010 550020 550030 550040 550050 550060 550070 550080

ACCCGATATGTGTACTGCACTCGGGCTCCACGGCGTTTATAATGGATAATTACCAAGGAGAAAAATTTTGACGTCTAACGAAGAAAAATACGGG

H A I C M V H A R P A A F I V + L P K R K K F V A S Q K K # A R

P + V C S T L G L H R L Y # R Y H N G R K L F Q L N S R E H G

P S Y V H R S G S T G C I N G I I T E E R # F S C I A E K I G

gene	548376	549170	c	locus_tag: PSPT00501
CDS	548376	549170	c	
gene	549423	550037	c	locus_tag: PSPT00502
CDS	549423	550037	c	This gene has an incomplete start. Also known as RsaPtoA2 (FIND 11992)
gene	550174	550569	c	locus_tag: PSPT00503
CDS	550174	550569	c	
gene	550651	551679	c	This region contains a gene with one or more premature stops or frames
gene	552012	553307	c	
CDS	552012	553307	c	
gene	553477	555255	c	
CDS	553477	555255	c	
gene	555671	555832	c	

**Selected feature** (hopPtoF)

**Active entry**

annotated sequence of DC3000 chromosome downloaded from NCBI

**Overview window**

shows features specified in the active entry (in this case, genes and CoDing Sequences or CDS) overlaid on the two DNA strands and six translation frames

**DNA view window**

genes and CDSes as above, shown on the sequence level

**Feature list**

shows annotation record for all features in the active entry



## 7.1 Appendix I EMBL, GenBank and DDBJ entries

### 7.1.1 EMBL Format

```
ID      X64011; SV 1; linear; genomic DNA; STD; PRO; 756 BP.
XX
AC      X64011; S78972;
XX
SV      X64011.1
XX
DT      28-APR-1992 (Rel. 31, Created)
DT      30-JUN-1993 (Rel. 36, Last updated, Version 6)
XX
DE      Listeria ivanovii sod gene for superoxide dismutase
XX
KW      sod gene; superoxide dismutase.
XX
OS      Listeria ivanovii
OC      Bacteria; Firmicutes; Bacillus/Clostridium group;
OC      Bacillus/Staphylococcus group; Listeria.
XX
RN      [1]
RX      MEDLINE; 92140371.
RA      Haas A., Goebel W.;
RT      "Cloning of a superoxide dismutase gene from Listeria ivanovii by
RT      functional complementation in Escherichia coli and characterization of the
RT      gene product.";
RL      Mol. Gen. Genet. 231:313-322(1992).
XX
RN      [2]
RP      1-756
RA      Kreft J.;
RT      ;
RL      Submitted (21-APR-1992) to the EMBL/GenBank/DDBJ databases.
RL      J. Kreft, Institut f. Mikrobiologie, Universitaet Wuerzburg, Biozentrum Am
RL      Hubland, 8700 Wuerzburg, FRG
XX
FH      Key          Location/Qualifiers
FH
FT      source          1..756
FT                      /db_xref="taxon:1638"
FT                      /organism="Listeria ivanovii"
FT                      /strain="ATCC 19119"
FT                      /mol_type="genomic DNA"
FT      RBS             95..100
FT                      /gene="sod"
FT      terminator       723..746
FT                      /gene="sod"
FT      CDS              109..717
FT                      /transl_table=11
FT                      /gene="sod"
FT                      /EC_number="1.15.1.1"
FT                      /db_xref="GOA:P28763"
FT                      /db_xref="HSSP:P00448"
FT                      /db_xref="InterPro:IPR001189"
FT                      /db_xref="UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot:P28763"
FT                      /product="superoxide dismutase"
FT                      /protein_id="CAA45406.1"
FT                      /translation="MTYELPKLPYTYDALEPNFDKETMEIHYTKHHNIYVTKLNEAVSG
FT                      HAELASKPGEELVANLDSVPPEEIRGAVRNHGGGHANHTLFWSSSLSPNGGGAPTGNLKAA
FT                      IESEFGTFDEFKEKFNAAAAARFGSGWAWLVNNGKLEIVSTANQDSPLSEGKTPVLGL
FT                      DVWEHAYYLKFQNRREYIDTFWNVINWDERNKRFDAAK"
XX
SQ      Sequence 756 BP; 247 A; 136 C; 151 G; 222 T; 0 other;
      cgttatttaa ggtgttacat agttctatgg aaatagggtc tatacctttc gccttacaat   60
      gtaattttct .....
//
```

**Example 1.** Select coding sequences involved in alginate biosynthesis:

1. Select>"Feature selector.." (selects features based on their shared qualifiers) In this example, I am selecting coding sequences for which the "product" qualifier contains the word "alginate" (see window at right)
2. click on Select
3. click on View (brings up a window showing the list of selected features)
4. Select desired features on the list
5. Edit>"Copy selected features" (specify the entry file to which they will be copied)

**Example 2.** Select genes involved in alginate biosynthesis

1. Select>"Feature selector.." using the following selection terms:  
Key = gene  
Qualifier = gene  
Containing this text = alg
2. Proceed as described in Example 1.

Artemis Feature Selector

Select by:

☒ Key: CDS ☒ Common Keys

☒ Qualifier: product

Containing this text: alginate

☒ Ignore Case ☒ Allow Partial Match

And:

☐ Up to: bases long

And:

☐ At least: bases long

And by:

☐ Amino acid motif:

☒ Forward Strand Features ☒ Reverse Strand Features

Select View Close

Qualifier	/dev_stage=
Definition	if the sequence was obtained from an organism in a specific developmental stage, it is specified with this qualifier
Value format	"text"
Example	/dev_stage="fourth instar larva"
Qualifier	/direction=
Definition	direction of DNA replication
Value format	left, right, or both where left indicates toward the 5' end of the entry sequence (as presented) and right indicates toward the 3' end
Example	/direction=LEFT
Qualifier	/EC_number=
Definition	Enzyme Commission number for enzyme product of sequence
Value format	"text"
Example	/EC_number="1.1.2.4"
	/EC_number="1.1.2.-"
	/EC_number="1.1.2.n"
Comment	valid values for EC numbers are defined in the list prepared by the Nomenclature Committee of the International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (NC-IUBMB) (published in Enzyme Nomenclature 1992, Academic Press, San Diego, or a more recent revision thereof). The format represents a string of four numbers separated by full stops; up to three numbers starting from the end of the string can be replaced by dash "." to indicate uncertain assignment. Symbol "n" can be used in the last position instead of a number where the EC number is awaiting assignment. Please note that such incomplete EC numbers are not approved by NC-IUBMB.
Qualifier	/ecotype=
Definition	a population within a given species displaying genetically based, phenotypic traits that reflect adaptation to a local habitat.
Value Format	"text"
Example	/ecotype="Columbia"
Comment	an example of such a population is one that has adapted hairier than normal leaves as a response to an especially sunny habitat. 'Ecotype' is often applied to standard genetic stocks of Arabidopsis thaliana, but it can be applied to any sessile organism.
Qualifier	/environmental_sample
Definition	identifies sequences derived by direct molecular isolation from a bulk environmental DNA sample (by PCR with or without subsequent cloning of the product, DGGE, or other anonymous methods) with no reliable identification of the source organism. Environmental samples include clinical samples, gut contents, and other sequences from anonymous organisms that may be associated with a particular host. They do not include endosymbionts that can be reliably recovered from a particular host, organisms from a readily identifiable but uncultured field sample (e.g., many cyanobacteria), or phytoplasmas that can be reliably recovered from diseased plants (even though these cannot be grown in axenic culture).
Value format	none
Example	/environmental_sample
Comment	used only with the source feature key; source feature keys containing the /environmental_sample qualifier should also contain the /isolation_source qualifier. entries including /environmental_sample must not include the /strain qualifier

*Genome analysis*

## **DNAPlotter: circular and linear interactive genome visualization**

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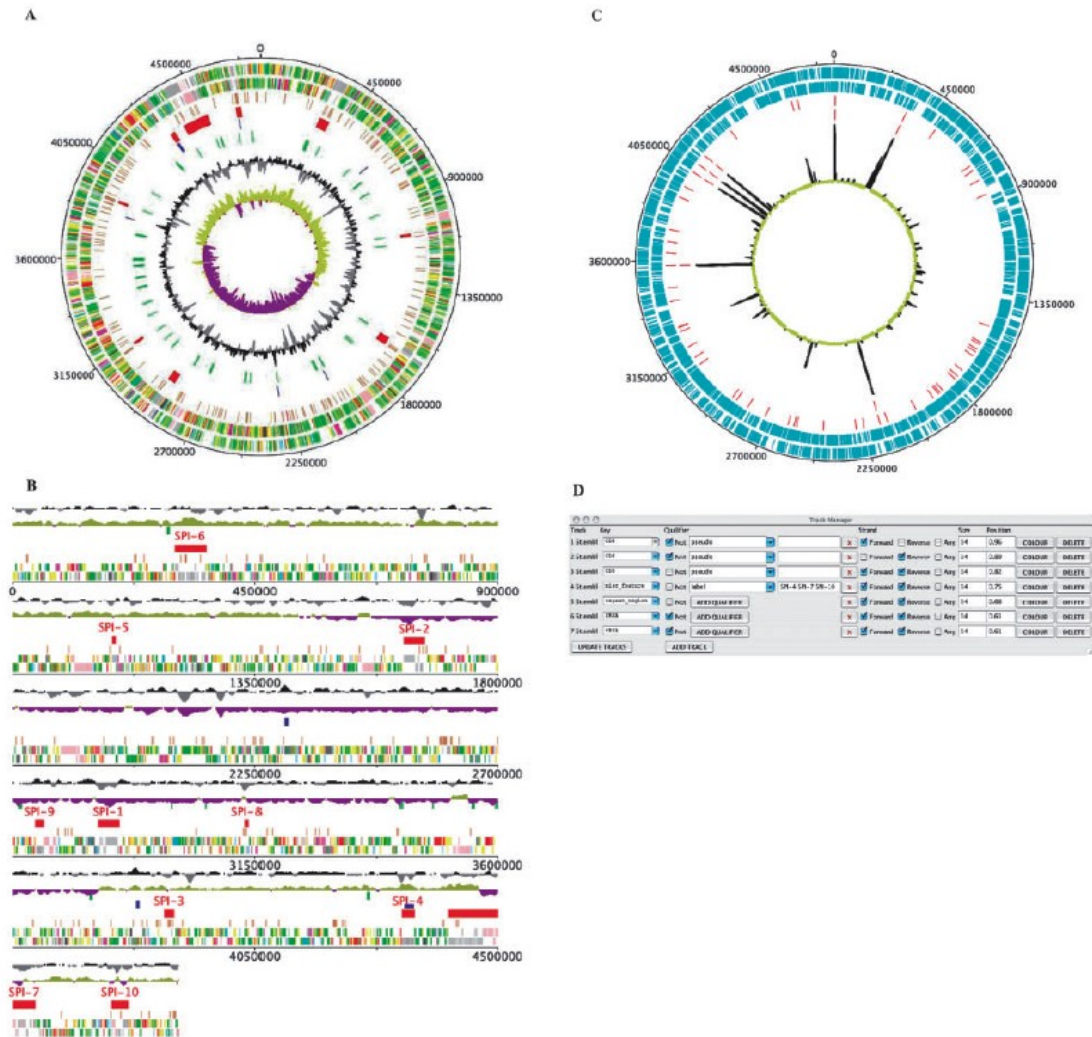
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**Fig. 1.** (A, B) showing *Salmonella typhi* genome as a circular and linear plot, respectively. The tracks from the outside represent: (1) Forward CDS; (2) Reverse CDS; (3) Pseudogenes 4. Salmonella Pathogenicity Islands (red); (5) repeat regions (blue); (6) rRNA and tRNA (green); (7) %GC plot 8. GC skew  $[(GC)/(G+C)]$ . (C) A generated example showing a transcriptome graph (black and yellow) on a circular plot for a prokaryotic genome. The tracks from the outside represent: (1) Forward CDS; (2) Reverse CDS; (3) tRNA; (4) rRNA. (D) Snapshot of the track manager showing filtering criteria.




Pre-computed

Generate

Reload

Instructions

**WebACT**

WebACT | Enter Query [Contact us](#)

How many sequences to you wish to compare?

Send e-mail notification on job completion? ☐

e-mail address:

For each sequence below, please either paste a sequence, upload a sequence file or enter an EMBL or Refseq Accession number i.e. NTCAD19MR

Sequence 1 -

☒ Paste sequence (raw, EMBL or FASTA format)

☐ Upload File (raw, EMBL or FASTA format)

☐ Enter an EMBL or Refseq Accession number

Sequence 2 -

☒ Paste sequence (raw, EMBL or FASTA format)

☐ Upload File (raw, EMBL or FASTA format)

☐ Enter an EMBL or Refseq Accession number

Blast Search Options

Image from <http://www.sanger.ac.uk/>



# WebACT Genome Comparison Visualization

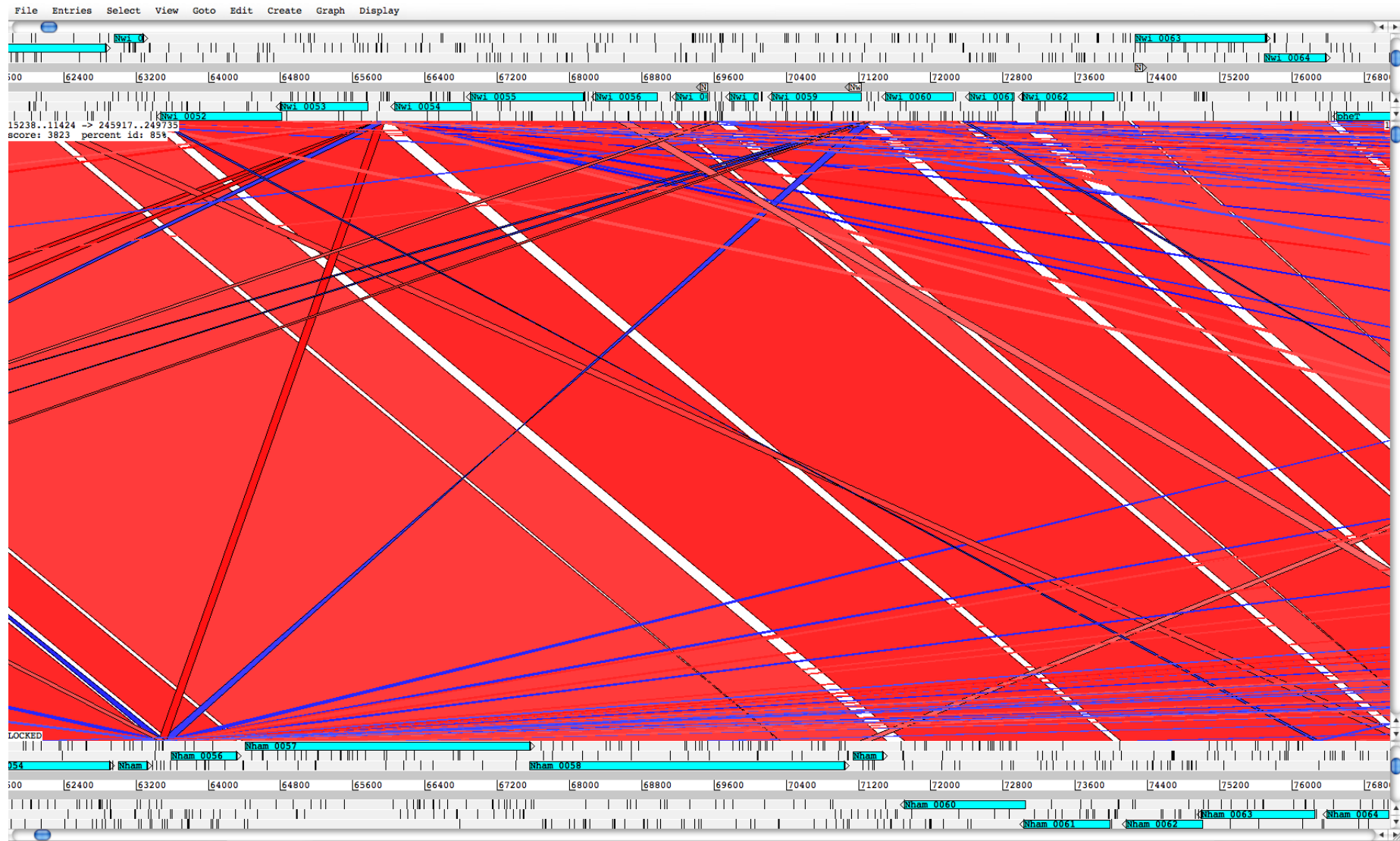


Image from <http://www.sanger.ac.uk/>