

BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38

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Full genomic sequences for Homo sapiens (UCSC genome hg38)

Description

Full genomic sequences for Homo sapiens as provided by UCSC (genome hg38, based on assembly GRCh38.p14 since 2023/01/31). The sequences are stored in DNASTring objects.

Note

This BSgenome data package was made from the following source data files:

hg38.p14.2bit, downloaded from <https://hgdownload.soe.ucsc.edu/goldenPath/hg38/bigZips/p14/> on Feb

See [?BSgenomeForge](#) and the BSgenomeForge vignette (vignette("BSgenomeForge")) in the **BSgenome** software package for how to create a BSgenome data package.

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See Also

- [BSgenome](#) objects in the **BSgenome** software package.
- The [seqinfo](#) getter and [Seqinfo](#) objects in the **GenomeInfoDb** package.
- The [seqlevelsStyle](#) getter and setter in the **GenomeInfoDb** package.
- [DNASTring](#) objects in the **Biostrings** package.
- The [available.genomes](#) function in the **BSgenome** software package.
- The BSgenomeForge vignette (vignette("BSgenomeForge")) in the **BSgenome** software package for how to create a BSgenome data package.

Examples

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bsg <- BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38
head(seqlengths(bsg))
seqinfo(bsg)

## Access individual sequences:

bsg$chr1 # same as bsg[["chr1"]]
alphabetFrequency(bsg[["chr1"]])

bsg[["chrM"]] # same as bsg$chrM
reverseComplement(bsg$chrM)

## -----
## Switch the sequence names back and forth between UCSC and NCBI
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## IMPORTANT NOTE: Even though hg38 is officially based on the
## GRCh38.p14 assembly (this is as of Jan 31, 2023, hg38 was based on
## GRCh38.p13 before that), it contains 2 sequences that do not belong
## to GRCh38.p14: chr11_KQ759759v1_fix and chr22_KQ759762v1_fix
## These 2 foreign sequences belong to GRCh38.p13 (they are named
## HG107_PATCH and HG1311_PATCH there), but they've been replaced with
## sequences HG107_HG2565_PATCH and HG1311_HG2539_PATCH in GRCh38.p14.

seqinfo(bsg)
seqlevelsStyle(bsg) # UCSC

## --- switch to NCBI names ---

bsg0 <- bsg
seqlevelsStyle(bsg) <- "NCBI"
bsg
seqinfo(bsg)
bsg[["1"]]

## Surprise!
table(genome(bsg)) # 2 sequences belong to GRCh38.p13!
foreign_idx <- which(genome(bsg) == "GRCh38.p13")
seqinfo(bsg)[seqnames(bsg)[foreign_idx]]
seqlevelsStyle(bsg) # NCBI

## --- switch back ---

seqlevelsStyle(bsg) <- "UCSC"
bsg
stopifnot(identical(bsg0, bsg))
seqinfo(bsg)[seqnames(bsg)[foreign_idx]]

## -----
## Genome-wide motif searching
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## See the GenomeSearching vignette in the BSgenome software
## package for some examples of genome-wide motif searching using

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```
## Biostrings and the BSgenome data packages:  
if (interactive())  
  vignette("GenomeSearching", package="BSgenome")
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