

Supplemental Table S5. Assembly quality assessment: Illumina-derived versus genome-derived list of valid *k*-mers (Quast).

Organism	Method*	Valid <i>k</i> -mer source†	Contig number	Largest contig	Total length	N50	NG50	N75	NG75	L50	LG50	L75	LG75	Misassemblies > 1kb	Mismatches/100kb	Indels/100kb
<i>C. elegans</i>	M	-	153	5285091	104406335	2119841	2220855	1332283	1392101	17	16	31	29	1749	15.64	46.44
<i>C. elegans</i>	L	Illumina (low frequency removed)	153	4763590	104240890	1967842	2031208	1188901	1226313	17	16	33	31	1546	14.40	46.53
<i>C. elegans</i>	L	genome (all <i>k</i> -mers)	153	5266065	104190476	2118433	2435154	1447476	1499931	16	15	31	29	1661	15.93	46.77
<i>C. elegans</i>	LH	Illumina (low and high frequency removed)	108	7255918	103011904	2689323	2838280	1232606	1549290	13	12	26	24	1649	15.26	47.12
<i>C. elegans</i>	LH	genome (single-copy <i>k</i> -mers)	159	4955962	104445248	2281043	2340439	1341813	1629514	17	16	31	28	1657	16.21	47.45
<i>E. coli</i>	M	-	2	4654123	4685062	4654123	4654123	4654123	4654123	1	1	1	1	5	0.09	14.02
<i>E. coli</i>	L	Illumina (low frequency removed)	2	4654192	4685140	4654192	4654192	4654192	4654192	1	1	1	1	5	0.35	14.28
<i>E. coli</i>	L	genome (all <i>k</i> -mers)	2	4654189	4685137	4654189	4654189	4654189	4654189	1	1	1	1	5	0.35	14.24
<i>E. coli</i>	LH	Illumina (low and high frequency removed)	2	4654133	4685081	4654133	4654133	4654133	4654133	1	1	1	1	5	0.19	13.42
<i>E. coli</i>	LH	genome (single-copy <i>k</i> -mers)	2	4654144	4685092	4654144	4654144	4654144	4654144	1	1	1	1	5	0.32	13.44

\* "M", standard MHAP; "L", MHAP with low-frequency *k*-mer masking; "LH", MHAP with low and high frequency *k*-mer masking.

† Note that a genome-derived list of all *k*-mers is similar to an Illumina derived list with low frequency *k*-mers removed (both were called "L-masking" method here). Analogously, a genome-derived list of single-copy *k*-mers is similar to an Illumina derived list with low frequency and high-frequency *k*-mers removed (both were called "LH-masking" method).