

Viewing Tools For Annotation

- Annotation viewing tools allow you to visualize the location of features in respect to each other.
- They can also display evidence alignments and other information relevant to the process of annotation
- Annotation editors allow the user to make changes in the annotation of a sequence and save these changes to a database.
- This talk will focus on open source annotation viewers and editors, however many commercial solutions are available also.



Artemis

<http://www.sanger.ac.uk/Software/Artemis>

- Reads in Genbank, EMBL and GFF3 files and sequence in FASTA format.
- Displays annotation derived from a feature table.
- Has a selection of tools such as a G/C graph.
- Allows the direct display of blast results.
- Artemis is Java based, easy to run and install.
- Allows changing of the annotation and export in GenBank, EMBL, and GFF3 format



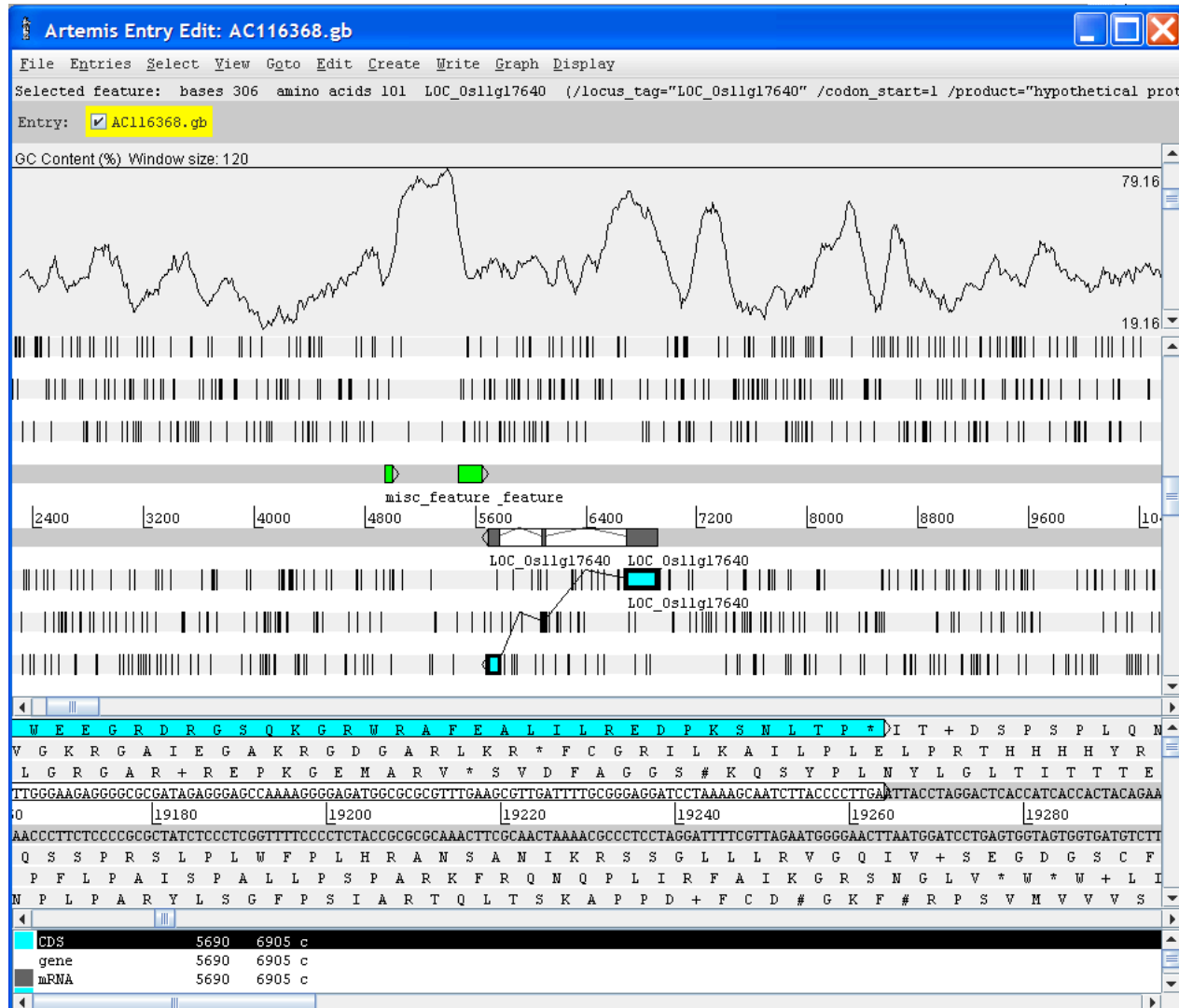
Artemis Display – BAC AC116368

GC Plot

Sequence
And
Feature
Overview

DNA View
And
6 Frame
Translation

Feature Table



Artemis as an Annotation Tool

Evidence shows that this region should be annotated as a 5'-UTR (hypothetically)

The screenshot shows the Artemis Entry Edit interface for file AC116368.gb. The window title is "Artemis Entry Edit: AC116368.gb". The menu bar includes File, Entries, Select, View, Goto, Edit, Create, Write, Graph, and Display. The status bar indicates "3 selected bases on forward strand: 95287..95289 (codon 119 in feature LOC_Os11g17490)". The "Entry:" field shows "AC116368.gb" with a checked box. The main display area shows a genomic map with a cyan bar highlighting a region around 95287-95289. Below the map is a protein sequence: L L A L A P P W L Q M L P M A A I S S P L P C G D D T S E L S A E S K C A M D S A A. The sequence is color-coded to match the genomic features. Below the sequence is a table of genomic features:

misc_feature	93721	93741	AT_rich
CDS	94709	95442	
gene	94709	95442	
mRNA	94709	95442	
gene	96461	100089	c
mRNA	96461	100089	c

Artemis as an Annotation Tool

5' UTR
inserted
in Gene
model



Artemis Entry Edit: AC116368.gb

File Entries Select View Goto Edit Create Write Graph Display

Selected feature: bases 309 amino acids 102 LOC_Osllg17490 (/locus_tag="LOC_Osllg17490" /codon_start=1 /product="hypothetic")

Entry: AC116368.gb

5'UTR 11g17490

94600 94800 95000 95200 95400 95600

A V R A P A G G H Q A L P P W S G R A P C H G A A Q V A L P P A S C T H R P A L R L L
L Y E P R L V A I R L Y H R G R D E H H A M E D H K M R F I O R A A P T V P I S D F
C T S P G W W P S G S T T V V G T S T M P W S S T S G A S S S E L H P P S R S P T
CTGTACGAGCCCCGGCTGGTGGCCATCAGGCTCTACCACCGTGGTCGGGACGAGCACCATGCCA
94860 94880 94900 94920 94940 94960
GACATGCTCGGGCCGACCACCGTAGTCCGAGATGGTGGCACCAGCCCTGCTCGTGTACGGTACCTCGTCTGTTCCACCGGAAGGAGGTGCTCGACGTGGTGGCAGGGCGAGAGGCTGAA
T R A G A P P W * A R G G H D P R A G H W P A A C T A S G G A L Q V W R G A R R S
S Y S G R S T A M L S + W R P R S S C W A M S C C L H R K R W R A A G V T G S E S K
Q V L G P Q H G D P E V V T T P V L V M G H L L V L P A E E L S S C G G D R E G V E

misc_feature	93721	93741	AT_rich
gene	94709	95442	
mRNA	94709	95442	
5'UTR	94712	94910	
CDS	94910	95442	
gene	96461	100089	c



Apollo Genome Editor

<http://www.gmod.org/apollo.shtml>

- Apollo is a more heavy duty genome editor than Artemis
- Gene predictions, EST, FL-cDNA, protein alignments and splice sites can be displayed in tiers
- Edge matches and start/stop codons are shown
- Various annotation helpers are available such as gene reports, alignments of evidence using Jalview, exon details
- A variety of input formats can be used to load into Apollo (GAME-XML, GFF, Chado XML)
- A chado schema database can also be used as a data source



Apollo Screen Shot

3R:1178000-1230000 *Drosophila melanogaster*

File Edit View Tiers Analysis Bookmarks Annotation Window Links Help

Type	Name	Range	Score
Genscan	Genscan_4	1200946...	11...
Januar...	AY119453	1202523...	10...
DGC C...	GH01053	1202523...	10...
Fgenesh	Fgenesh_5	1202473...	0.0

Chromosome 3R < Start 1178000 End 1230000 > Expand Load

1.184Mb 1.192Mb 1.2Mb 1.208Mb 1.216Mb 1.224Mb

CG1161-RA CG11999-RA HB01219-RA CG2669-RA CG14668-RA Or83a-RA
 CG12000-RB kkv-RB CG2663-RA
 CG12000-RA kkv-RA CG2663-RA
 CG16708-RB

January 2003: AY119453 (length=1128)
 AY119453 *Drosophila melanogaster*
 GH01053 full insert cDNA
 gi||gb|AY119453|AY119453 *Drosophila melanogaster* GH01053 full insert cDNA (15-JUN-2002)

Score	Genomi...	Match ...	Genom...	Match L...
100.0	12025...	1-147	147	147
100.0	12027...	148-1...	966	966

Position Feature Action

Zoom Zoom factor = 1.0000



Gbrowse – Generic Genome Browser

- Part of the Generic Model Organism Database (GMOD) project (www.gmod.org/?q=node/71).
- A web based annotation viewer
- Annotation data is read directly from GFF files in memory, or the GFF file and sequence are stored in a database
- Various plugins are available for enhanced functionality
- Simple to set up on your own local server or desktop computer



Gbrowse – Generic Genome Browser

- Annotation data is displayed in user selectable tracks as 'glyphs'.
- A range of shapes and colors for the glyphs are available.
- Perl subroutines can be used to change the glyphs on the fly.
- DNA sequence can be loaded into the database and displayed in a track along with the annotation.
- Annotation provided by the user can also be displayed in a track. The annotation data can be in a file on a remote server.



TIGR Rice Genome Browser

http://www.tigr.org/tigr-scripts/osa1_web/gbrowse/rice

Chromosome Selection

Name or Region Search

Overview Bar

Zoom Controls

Tracks Displaying Annotation

Plugin Controls

Track Selection

The screenshot displays the TIGR Rice Genome Browser interface. At the top, the logo and version information are shown. Below this, a navigation bar includes a search field with the text 'Chr10:40626..60625', a 'Search' button, and a 'Reset' button. To the right of the search bar is a 'Scroll/Zoom' section with navigation arrows and a 'Show 20 kbp' dropdown. The main content area features an 'Overview of Chr10' bar with a ruler and a 'Rice BAC Tiling Path' track. Below these are several tracks: 'TIGR Rice Loci' showing gene models for LOC_Os10g01060 and LOC_Os10g01070; 'TIGR Rice Gene Models' showing detailed gene structures; 'Rice F1-cDNA' showing cDNA models; and 'Rice Gene Index' showing gene names like rice|TC277538 and rice|CB648411. At the bottom, there is a 'Data Source' section and a 'Dumps, Searches and other Operations' section with a 'Dump Decorated FASTA File' button. A 'Tracks [Hide]' section is located at the bottom left, and a large list of track selection checkboxes is at the bottom right, including options like '6-frame translation', 'Affymetrix GeneChip Rice Genome Array', 'GlimmerR Predictions', 'Protein Evidence', and 'Rice BAC Tiling Path'.



TIGR Rice Genome Browser

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Image Width in Pixels

Key positions (Description of Track)

Change Order Of Track Selection Table

Set Track Order In Display Panel

Image Width
 450 640 800 1024 1280 1400

Key position
 Between Beneath Left Right

Track Name Table
 Alphabetic Varying

Set Track Options... Update Image

Upload your own annotations: [\[Help\]](#)
Upload a file Browse... Upload New...

Add remote annotations: [\[Help\]](#)
Enter Remote Annotation URL Update URLs

For Rice Comments/Questions send mail to [The TIGR Rice Team](#).

Display User Annotations in a Track

Access GFF file on Remote server



Comparison Between Viewers

	Artemis	Apollo	Genome Browser
Data Source	Flat file	Flat file or database	Flat file or database
Sharing	Not designed for sharing	Users can share databases	Convenient via the web, possible to share databases
Annotating	Designed for annotating sequence	Designed for annotating sequence	Users may add "private" annotation



Closing words ...

- This talk was a general overview of some of the open source annotation viewers/editors available
- These programs have many more features than we have time to cover
- Download and evaluate to see if they meet your needs

