

# Generate DNA Element

Generates random DNA sequences with given nucleotide content that can be specified manually or evaluated from the reference file.

## Parameters in GUI

Parameter	Description	Default value
<b>Length</b>	Length of the resulted sequence or sequences.	1000 bp
<b>Count</b>	Number of sequences to generate.	1
<b>Seed</b>	Value to initialize the random generator. By default (seed = -1) the generator is initialized with the system time.	-1
<b>Content</b>	Specifies how the nucleotide content of the sequence(s) should be generated. It can be either taken from the reference file (see the <i>Reference</i> parameter), or input manually.	manual
<b>Algorithm</b>	Algorithm for generating random sequence(s). Two algorithms are available: GC Content and GC Skew. If you choose GC Content, then parameters <i>A</i> , <i>C</i> , <i>G</i> , <i>T</i> are used to generate the sequence. Otherwise, the <i>GC Skew</i> parameter is used to generate the sequence(s).	GC Content
<b>Window size</b>	The DNA sequence generation is divided into windows of the specified size. In each window the bases ratio, defined by other parameters, is kept.	1000
<b>Reference</b>	Path to the reference file (could be a sequence or an alignment).	
<b>A</b>	Adenine content.	25%
<b>C</b>	Cytosine content.	25%
<b>G</b>	Guanine content.	25%
<b>T</b>	Thymine content.	25%
<b>GC Skew</b>	GC Skew is calculated as $(G - C) / (G + C)$ , where G is the number of G's in the window, and C is the number of C's.	0.25

## Parameters in Workflow File

Type: generate-dna

Parameter	Parameter in the GUI	Type
<b>length</b>	<b>Lenght</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>seed</b>	<b>Seed</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>content</b>	<b>Countent</b>	<i>string</i>
<b>algorithm</b>	<b>Algorithm</b>	<i>string</i>  Available values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>gc-content</li><li>gc-skew</li></ul>
<b>window-size</b>	<b>Window size</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>reference-url</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<i>string</i>  Available values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>manual</li><li>reference</li></ul>
<b>percent-a</b>	<b>A</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>percent-c</b>	<b>C</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>percent-g</b>	<b>G</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>percent-t</b>	<b>T</b>	<i>numeric</i>
<b>gc-skew</b>	<b>GC Skew</b>	<i>numeric</i>

# Input/Output Ports

The element has 1 *output port*:

**Name in GUI:** *Sequences*

**Name in Workflow File:** out-sequence

**Slots:**

Slot In GUI	Slot in Workflow File	Type
Sequence	sequence	<i>sequence</i>