What is Bioconductor

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and open development
More pragmatic: Bioconductor is a **software repository** of **R packages** with **some rules and guiding principles**.

Version 3.0 had 936 software packages.
All sizes, shapes and quality

Sometimes there are several choices
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Nature Genetics editorial “Credit for Code” 2014, 46:1
Bioconductor has emphasized **Reproducible Research** since its start, and has been an early adapter and driver of tools to do this.
Why?

Productivity
Flexibility
“Bioconductor: open software development for computational biology and bioinformatics”
   Gentleman et al
   Genome Biology 2004, 5:R80

“Orchestrating high-throughput genomic analysis with Bioconductor”
   Huber et al
   Nature Methods 2015, 12:115-121
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