ForensicEA Lite Tutorial: Did the surgeon give hepatitis C to his patient? (Parts 1 & 2)

Part 1: Evolution within individual patients

1. Record your data and draw your graphs below:

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2. What generalizations can you make about how populations evolve in this simulation? Why might an evolutionary biologist think of your graphs as molecular clocks?

Part 2: Population divergence among patients

3. Record your data on the divergence between a pair of populations in the table. Plot your data on the graph:

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4. If you had nucleotide sequences from virus particles from two infected hosts, could you estimate how long it has been since the virus populations in the hosts shared a common ancestor? Explain.