

# Biopython Installation

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If there were no errors and everything worked correctly, you should now be able to type python at a command prompt and enter into the python interpreter:

```
$ python
```

```
Python 2.4 W050#1, Dec  5 2004, 20:47:03W051
```

```
[GCC 3.3.3] on cygwin
```

```
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
```

```
>>>
```



### 3.2.1 UNIX and Mac OS X systems

As with `mxTextTools`, you should download the `tar.gz` file. Version 2.3.8 of Numerical Python (`Numerical-2.3.8.tar.gz`)

```
$ gunzip ReportLab_1_20.tgz  
$ tar -xvpf ReportLab_1_20.tar  
$ cd reportlab_1_20/
```



4. That's it! Biopython is installed. Wasn't that easy? Now let's check and make sure it worked properly. Skip on ahead to section [5](#).

#### 4.2.1 Installation on FreeBSD



I have successfully managed to use distutils to compile Biopython with Borland's free C++ compiler



- The Numeric package will take a little trickery to get it to be able to import. It will install a Numeric directory and Numeric.pth file into your\_dir/lib/python. The problem is that the Numeric.pth file