

# Locked Documents

The lock icon in the document element indicates that the document can't be modified:



UGENE does not allow modification of some formats that were created not by UGENE.

If UGENE is able only to read a document (see the [Supported File Formats](#) chapter), you can export the document objects to a file. To do it use the [built-in export utilities](#).

Also, you can [export](#) the document objects of unlocked documents.