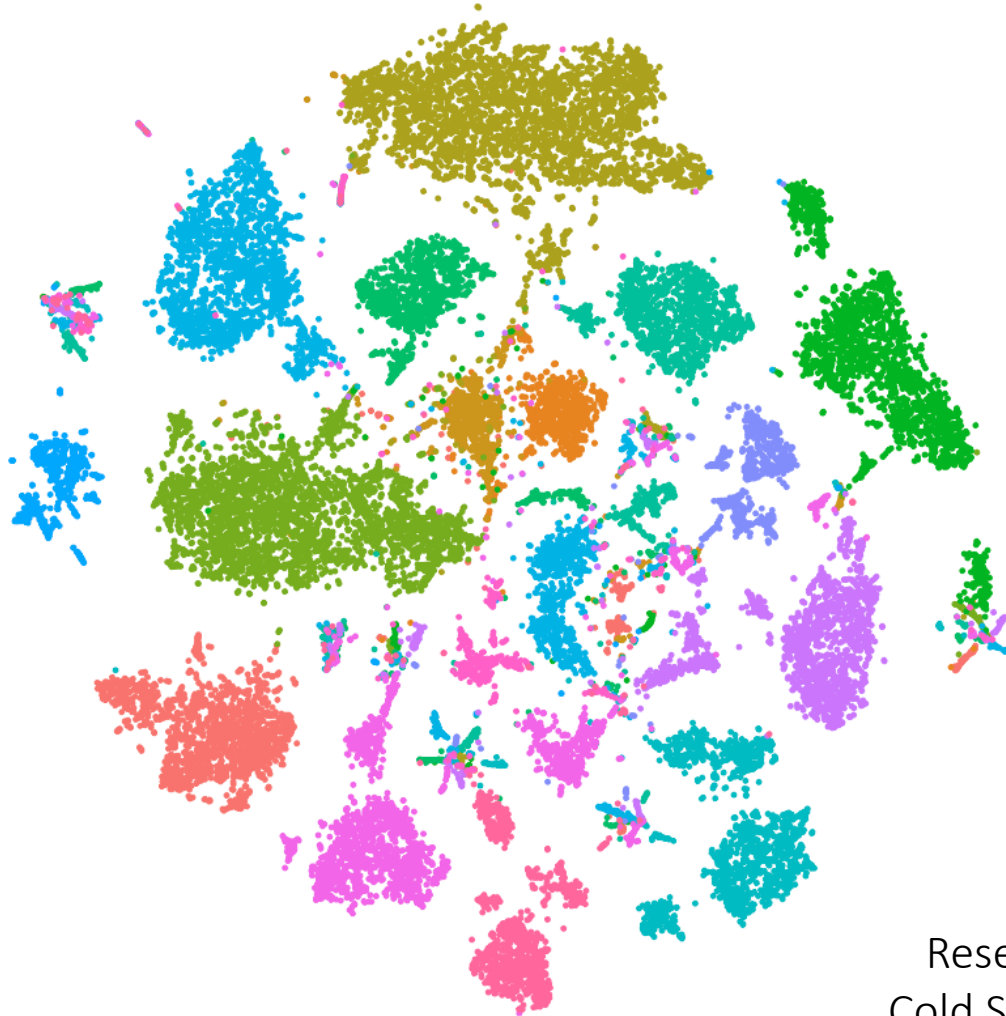


# Single Cell Sequencing

CSHL Course: Advanced Sequencing Technologies & Applications

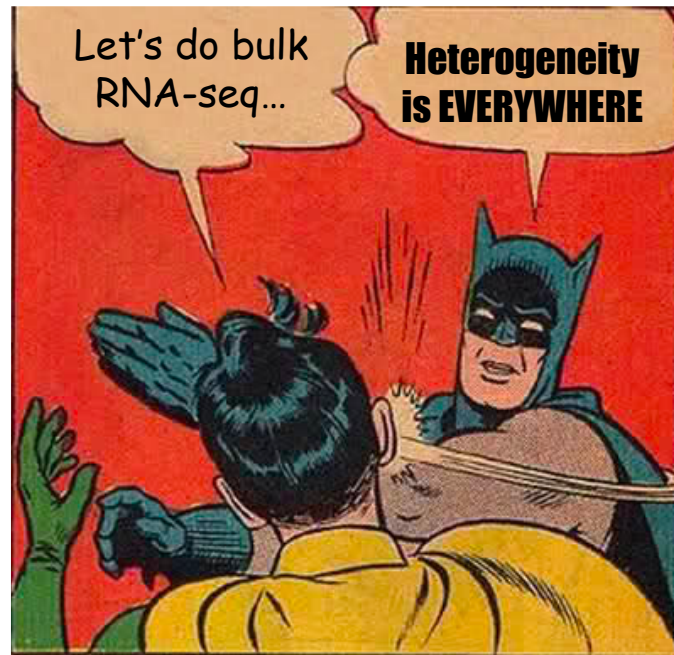


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# Why Sequence Single Cells?

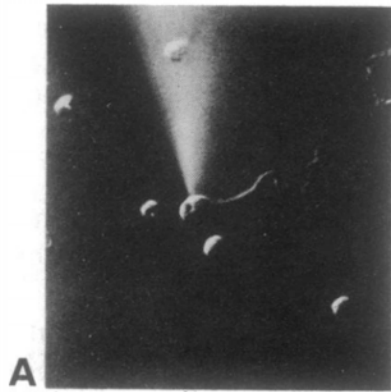


# Analysis of gene expression in single live neurons

(amplified, antisense RNA/expression profile/mRNA complexity/pyramidal cell)

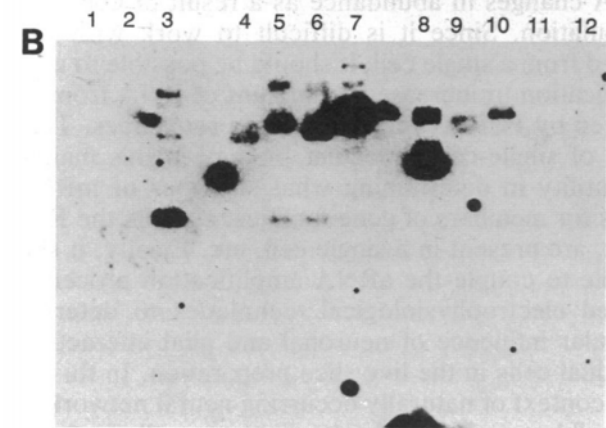
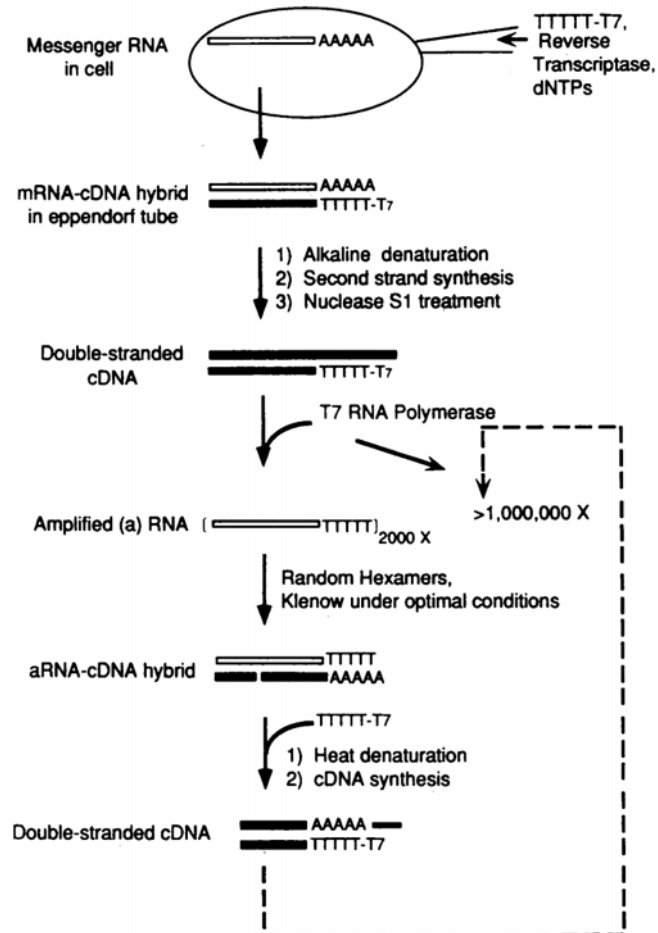
JAMES EBERWINE\*<sup>†‡</sup>, HERMES YEH<sup>§</sup>, KEVIN MIYASHIRO\*, YANXIANG CAO\*, SURESH NAIR\*,  
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Microinjection of cDNA synthesis reagents directly into single neurons



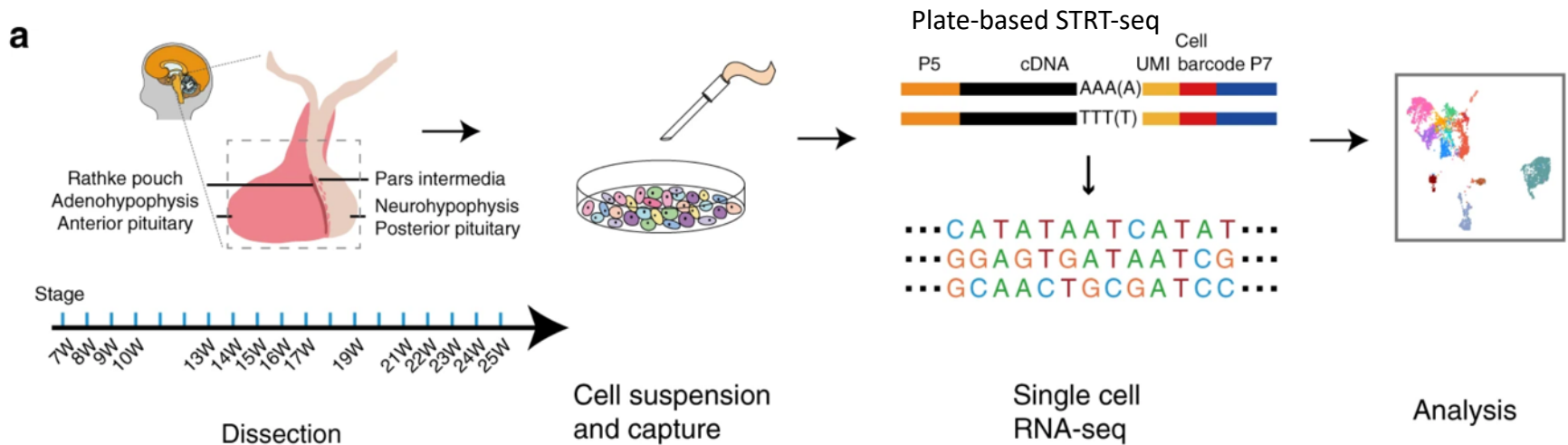
Southern Blot  
Plasmid standards  
containing gene of interest  
Probed with aRNA

1992

# Single-cell transcriptomics identifies divergent developmental lineage trajectories during human pituitary development

Shu Zhang, Yueli Cui, Xinyi Ma, Jun Yong, Liying Yan, Ming Yang, Jie Ren, Fuchou Tang, Lu Wen  & Jie Qiao 

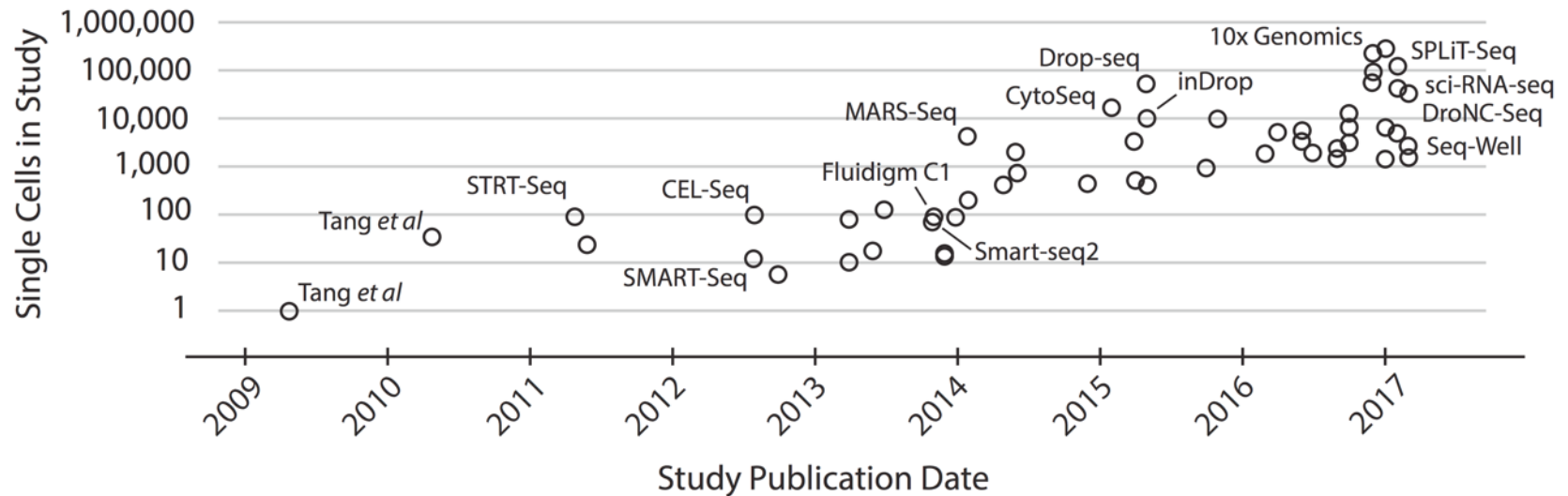
*Nature Communications* 11, Article number: 5275 (2020) | [Cite this article](#)



4,113 mouth-pipetted cells!

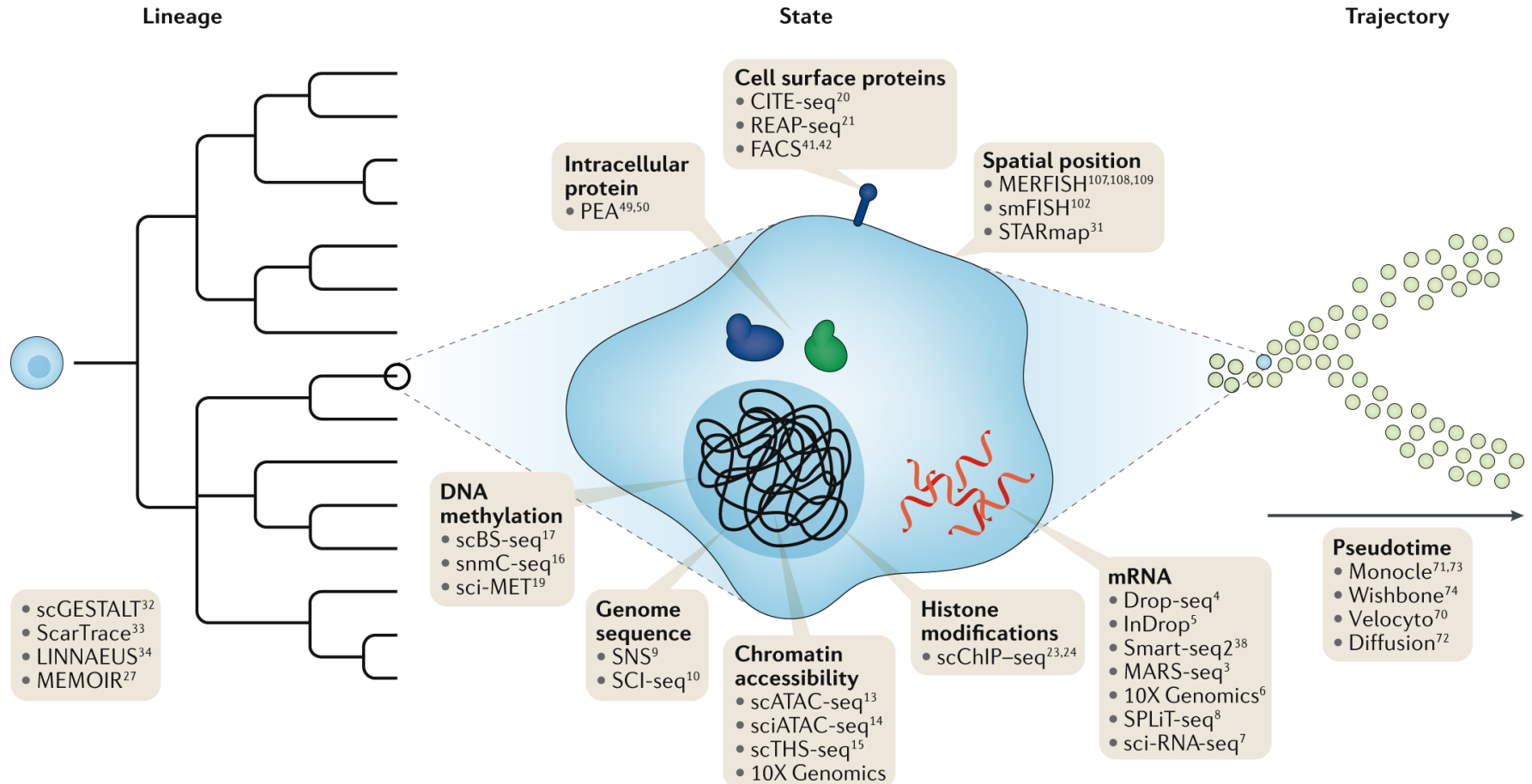


# The Rapid Rise of Single Cell Biology

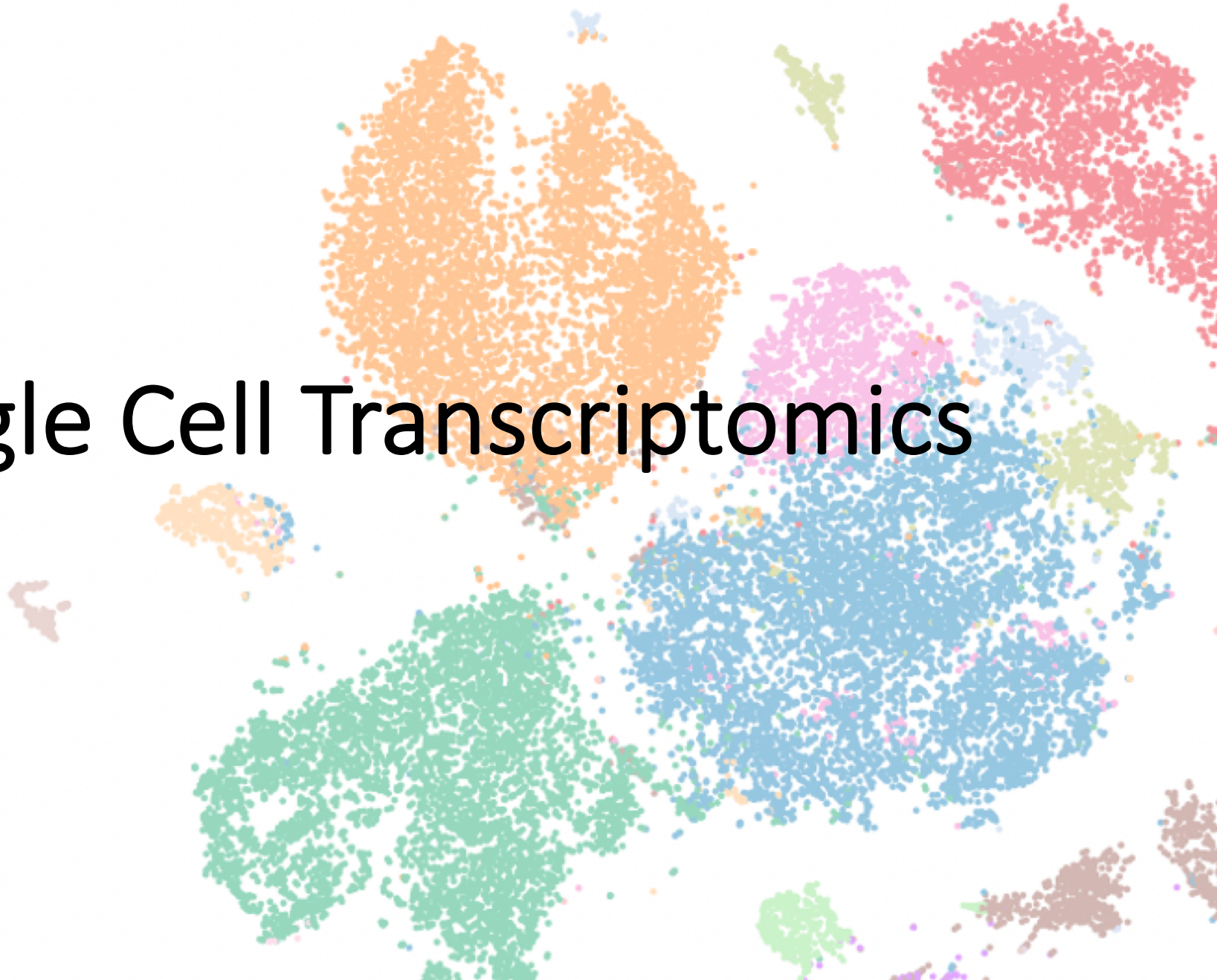


~10-fold increase in # of cells profiled every other year

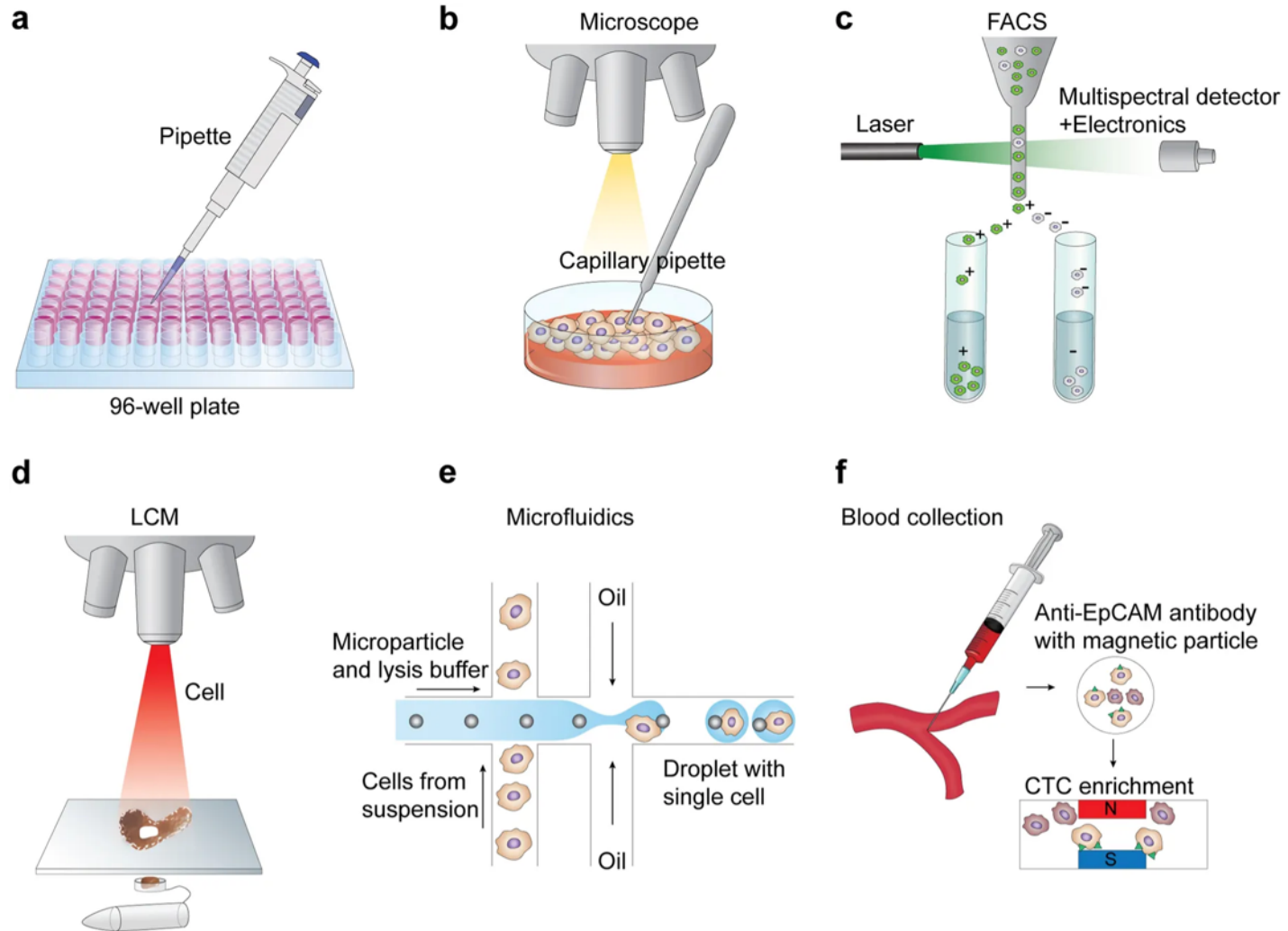
# Many Flavors of Single cell 'Omics



# Single Cell Transcriptomics



# Step 1: Partitioning Cells



# Step 2: Library Preparation

What question are you asking?

Simple Gene expression?

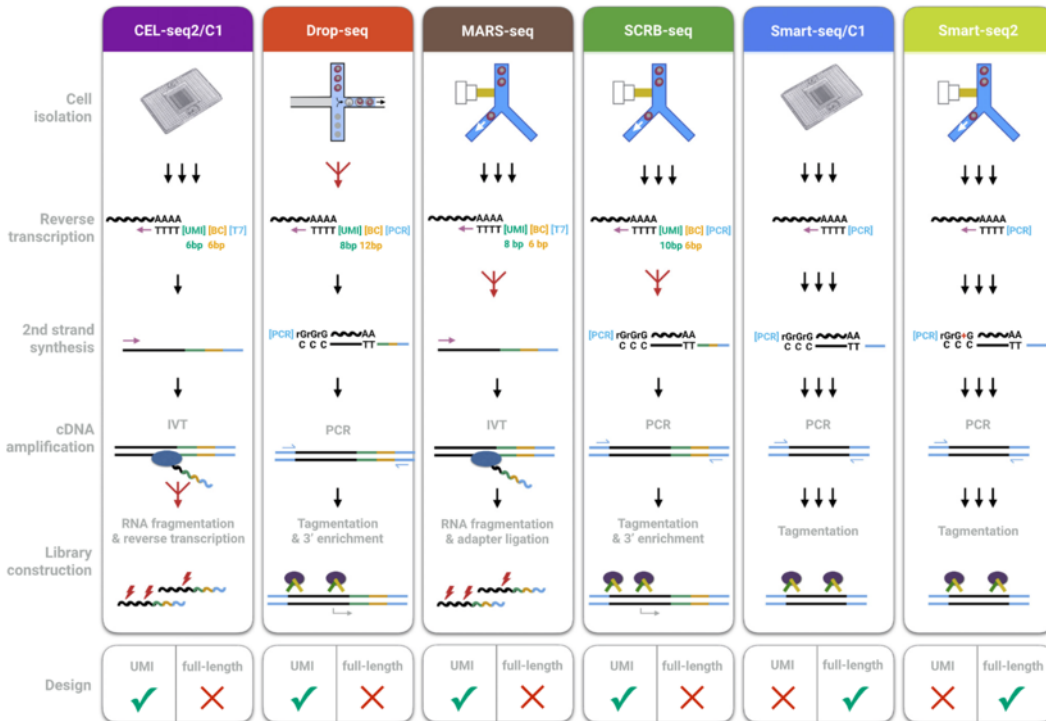
Strand-selective?

Alternative splicing / polyA / TSS?

Allele-specific expression?

Genotype heterogeneity (eg. in cancer)?

Depth vs Breadth?



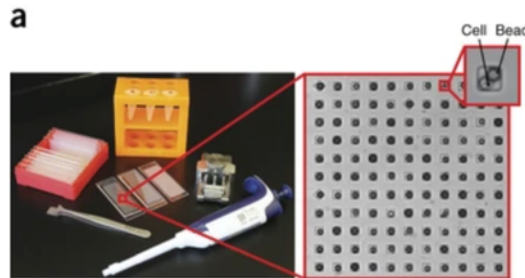
# Most Common Platforms

- Droplet / Bead
  - 10X Genomics Chromium
  - BD Rhapsody
  - Bio-Rad ddSeq



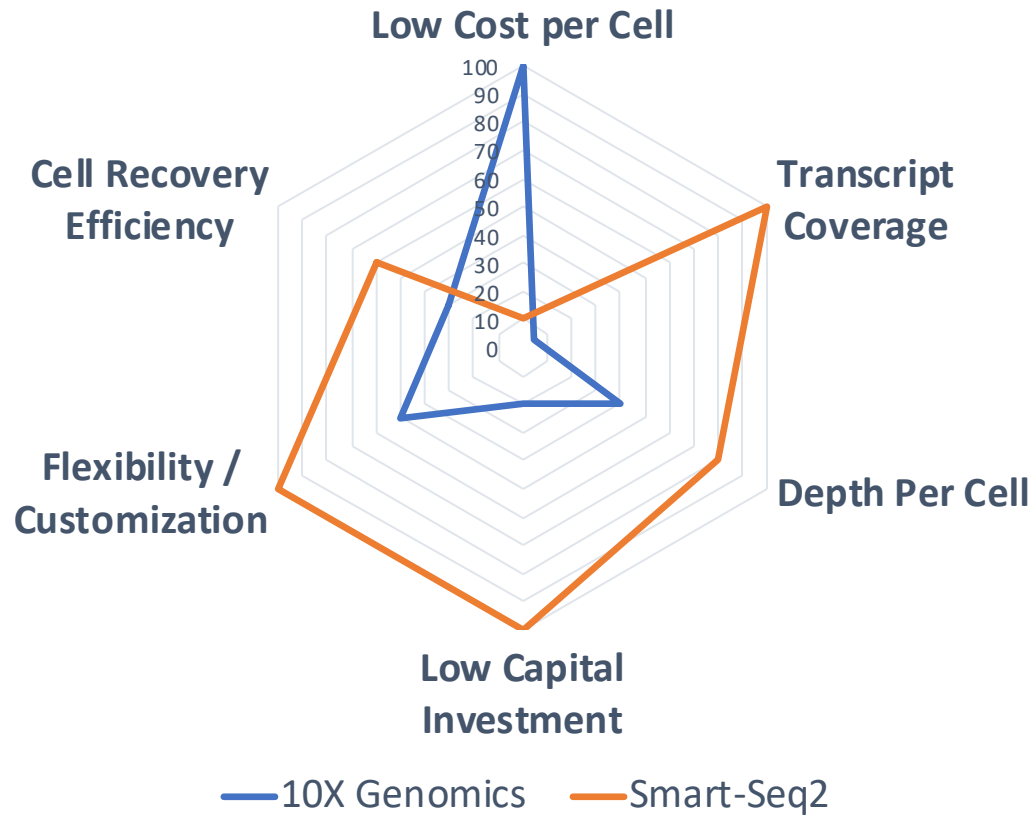
- Plate-based
  - SMART-Seq (v2, v3)
  - CEL-Seq2

- Nanowell
  - Seq-Well

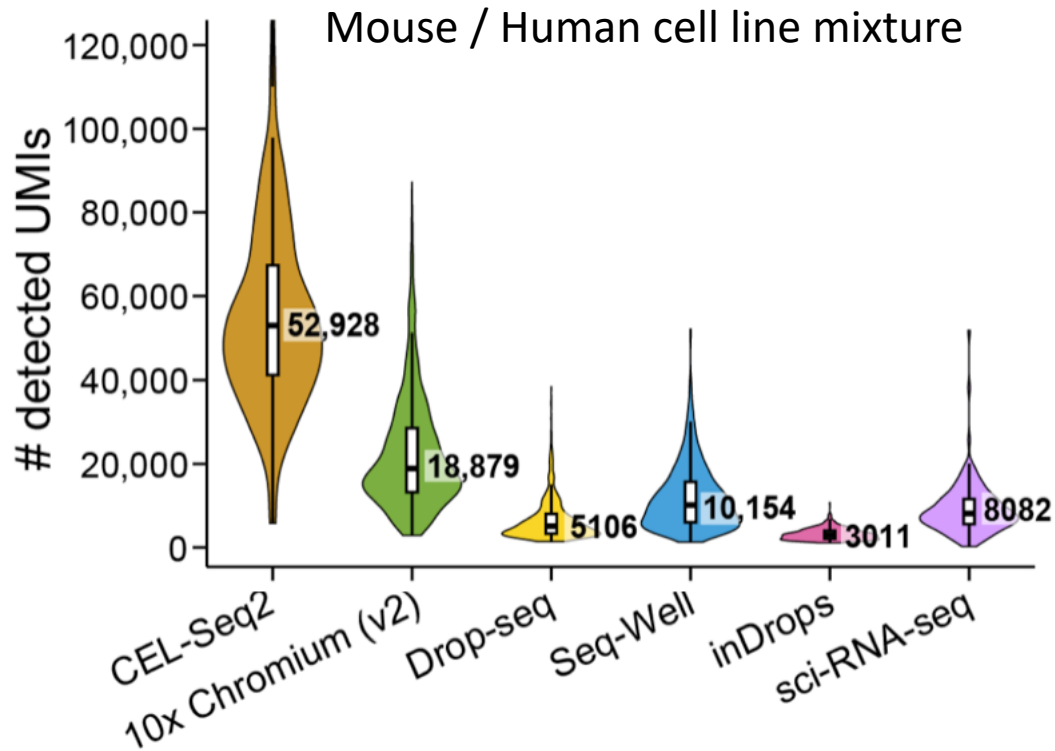




# Which Method Should I Use?

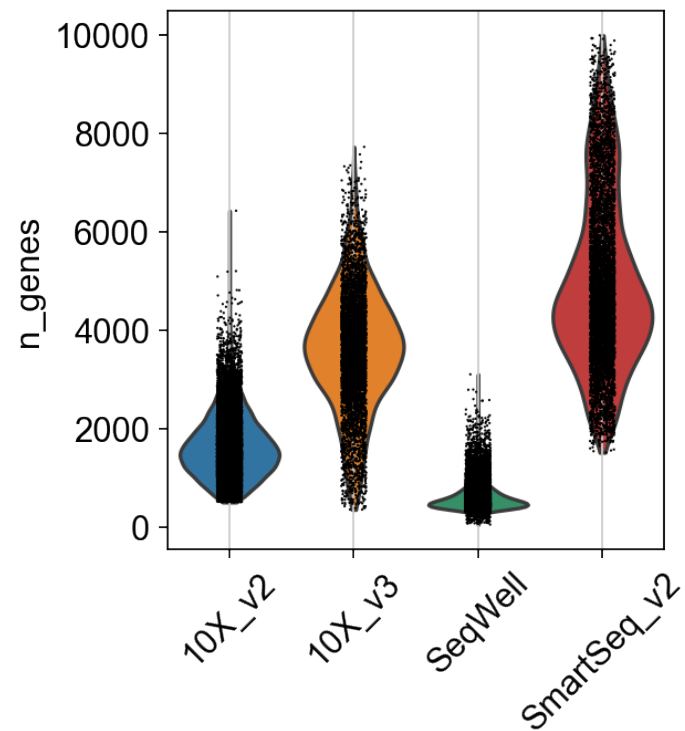


# Systematic comparative analysis of single cell RNA-sequencing methods



# Mouse Fibroblasts:

Unique Genes Detected across technologies



# 10X Genomics Platform

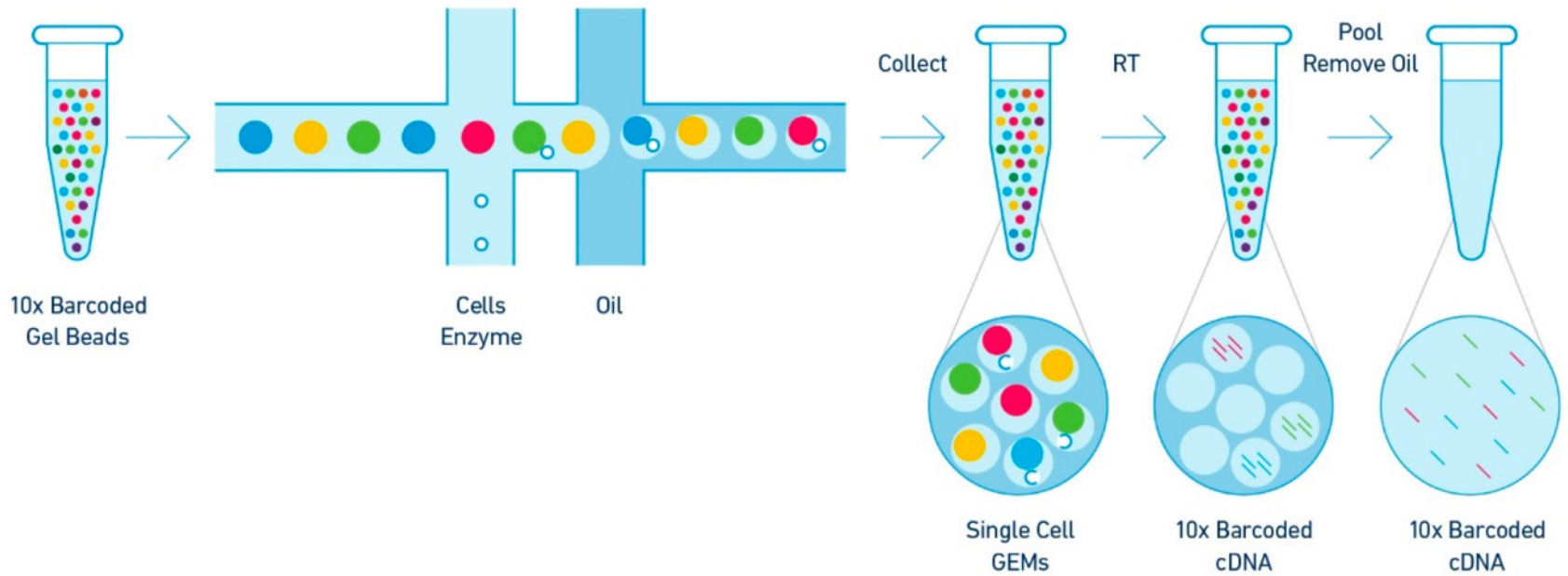
## Chromium Controller

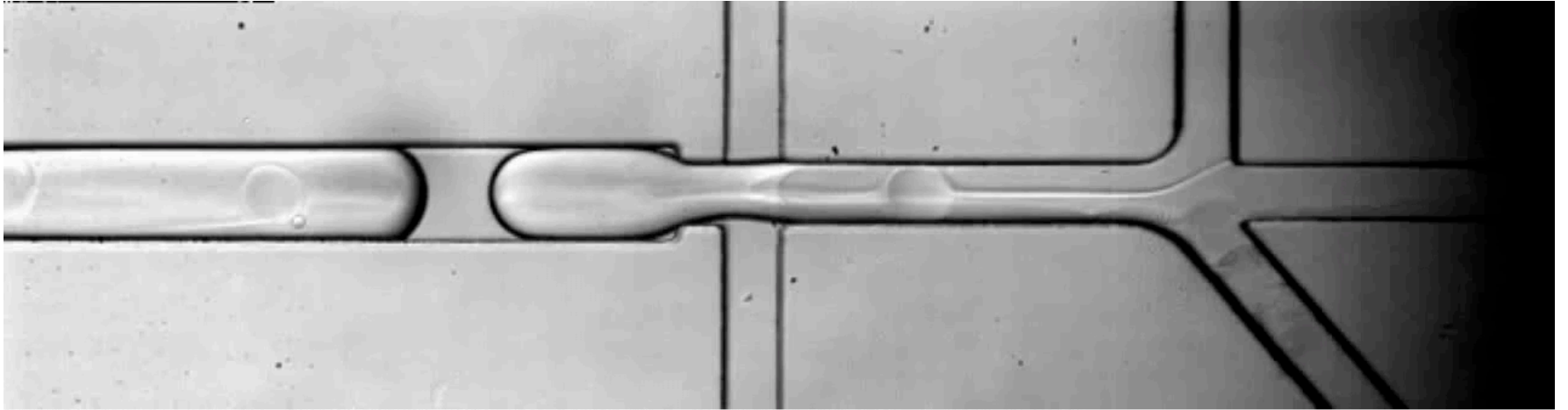


- Hydrogel barcoded beads
- Pseudo-single Poisson Loading
- Partition up to 80,000 single cells per run
- ~10 min run time
- ~50% of input cells generate usable data
- Partition cells up to 30um in diameter
- ~1% doublet rate, scales linearly w/cell #

“Lingua Franca” of single cell transcriptomics

# 10X Genomics Workflow

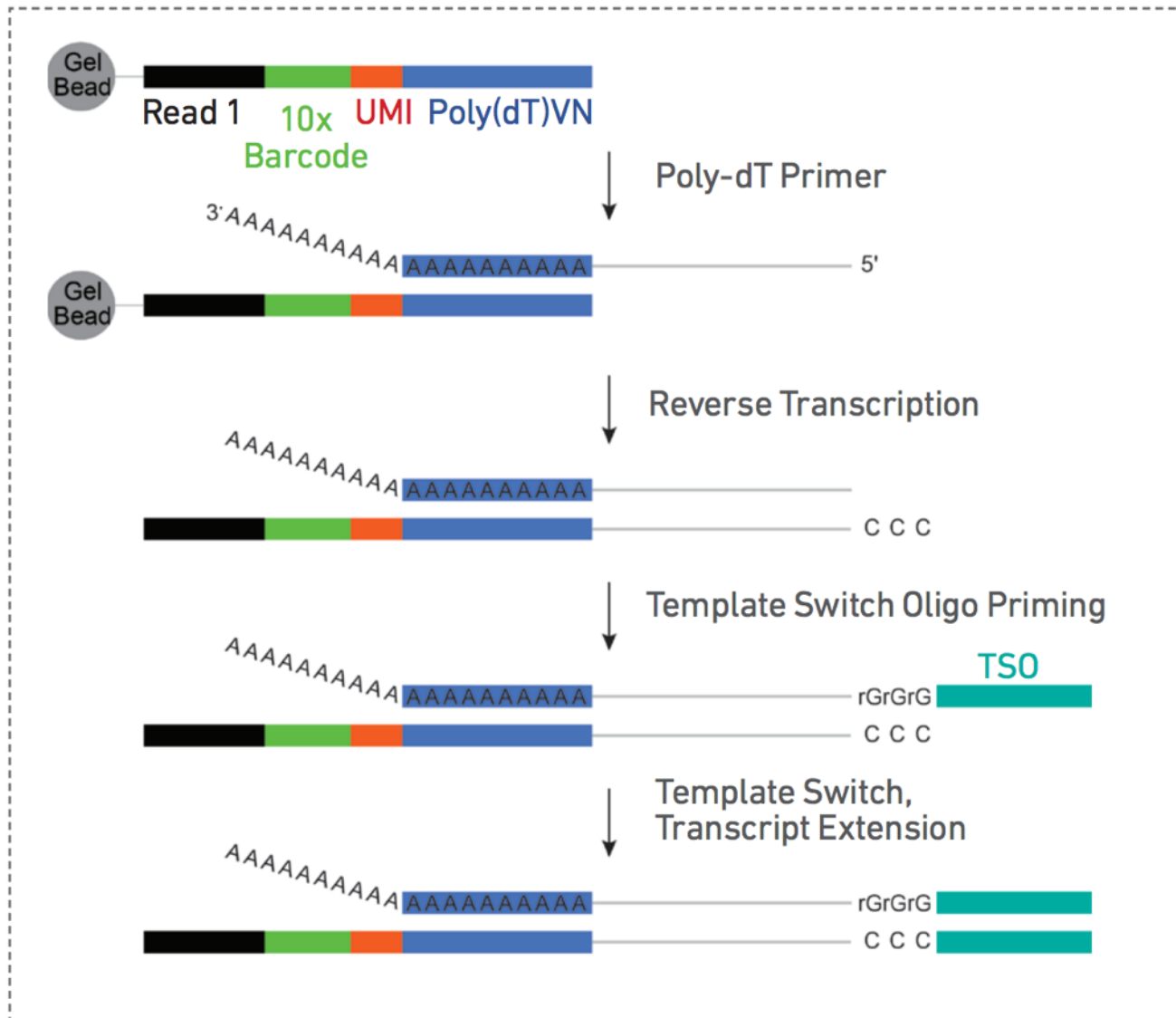




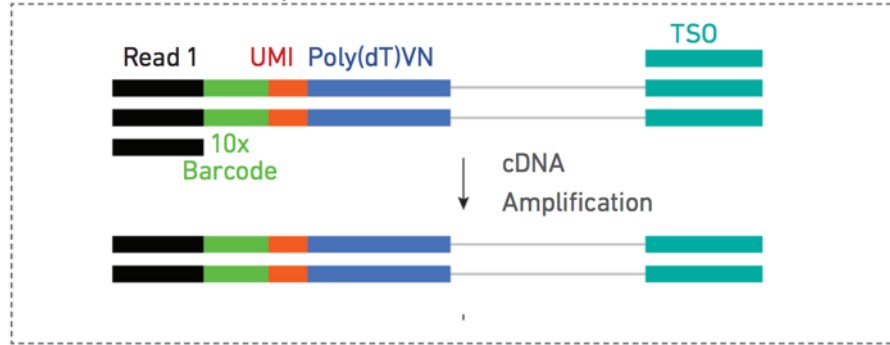
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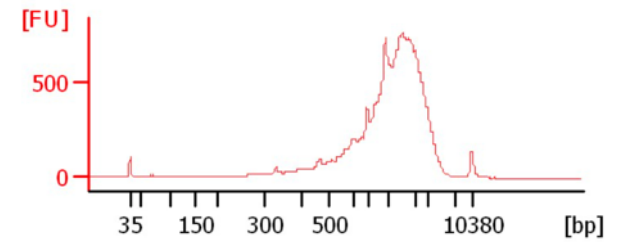
# Single Cell 3' Chemistry Overview



## Pooled cDNA amplification

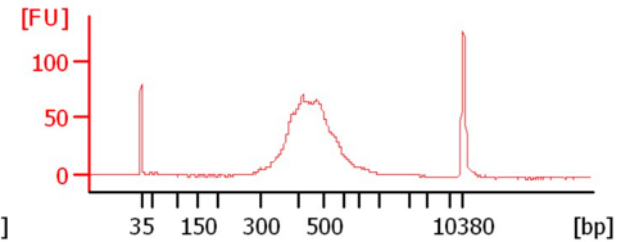
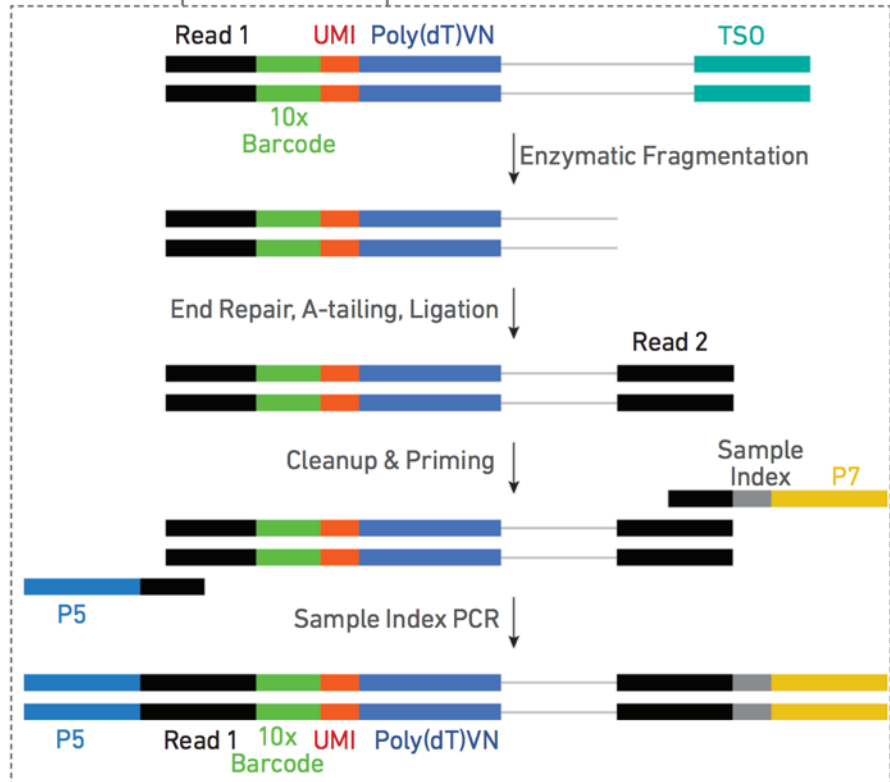


## Bioanalyzer



## Amplified cDNA

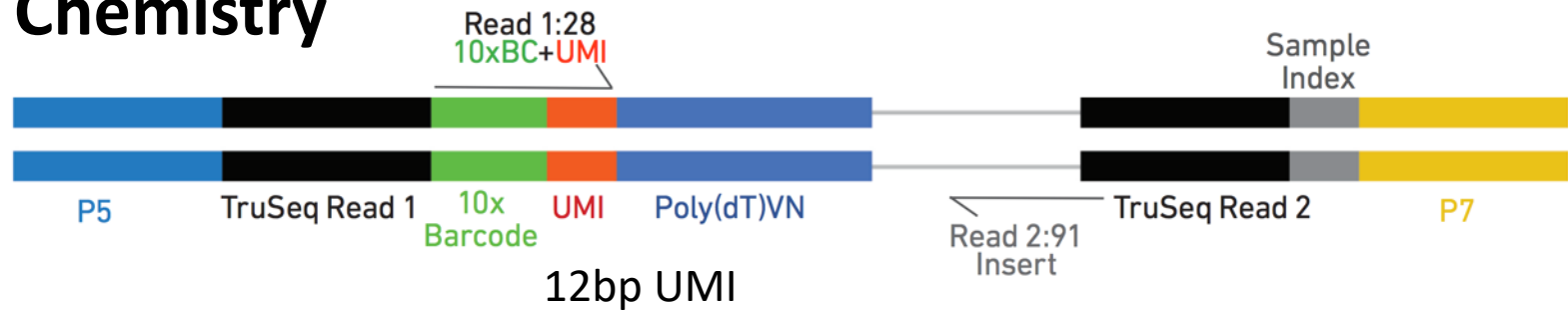
## Pooled amplified cDNA processed in bulk



## Final Library

# Anatomy of a 10X 3'-Single Cell Amplicon

## V3 Chemistry



# Unique Molecular Identifier (UMI)

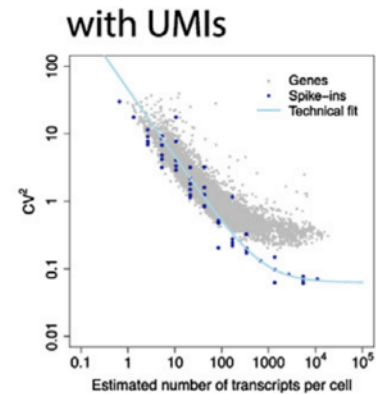
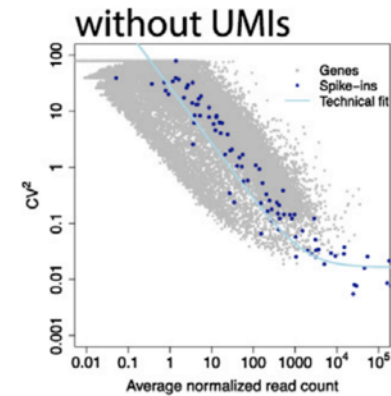
Random ~8-10bp sequence incorporated during oligo synthesis

Cell barcode UMI

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AAAAAAAAAABN----IFNgamma-----
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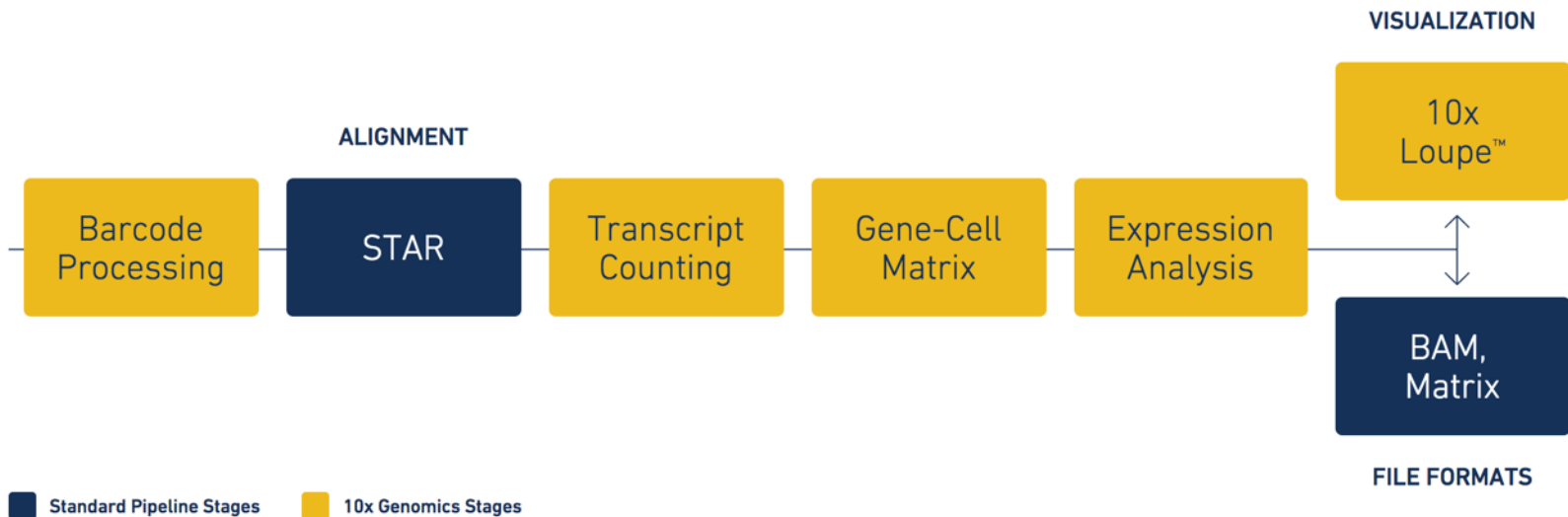
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AAAAAAAAAABN----IFNgamma-----
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# Mapping and Transcript Quantification

Cellranger **Count** pipeline: [10X Genomics support page](#)

## SINGLE CELL RNA ANALYSIS PIPELINE FOR THE CHROMIUM SINGLE CELL 3' SOLUTION



# Digital Gene Expression, Not Coverage

## “Deep” Single Cell Libraries

Well-based, eg. SmartSeq

Fluidigm C1



## Droplet – Based DGE libraries

Drop-Seq

10X Genomics

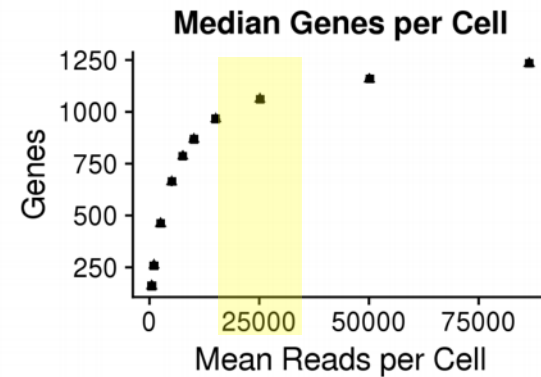
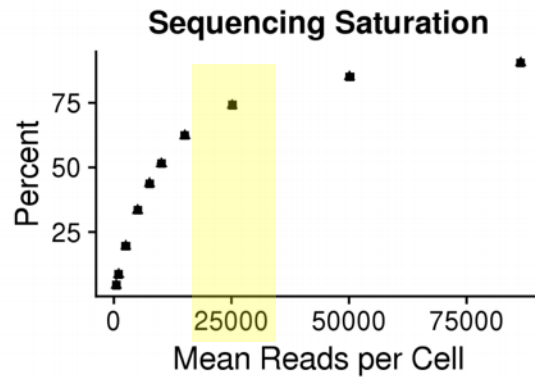
Seq-Well





# How Deeply Should I Sequence?

Human PBMC  
Subsampled  
Library



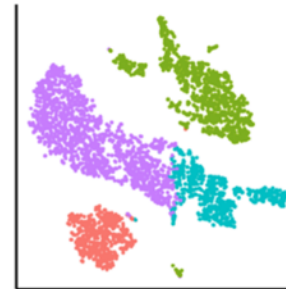
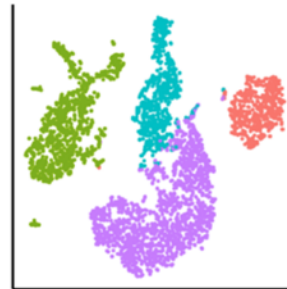
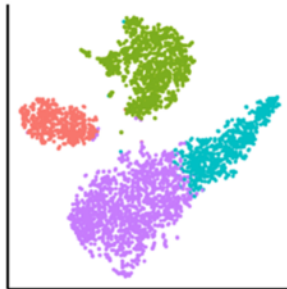
Median  
Reads / Cell

500

5,000

25,000

86,503



Cell  
Type

- B cell
- Monocyte
- NK cell
- T cell

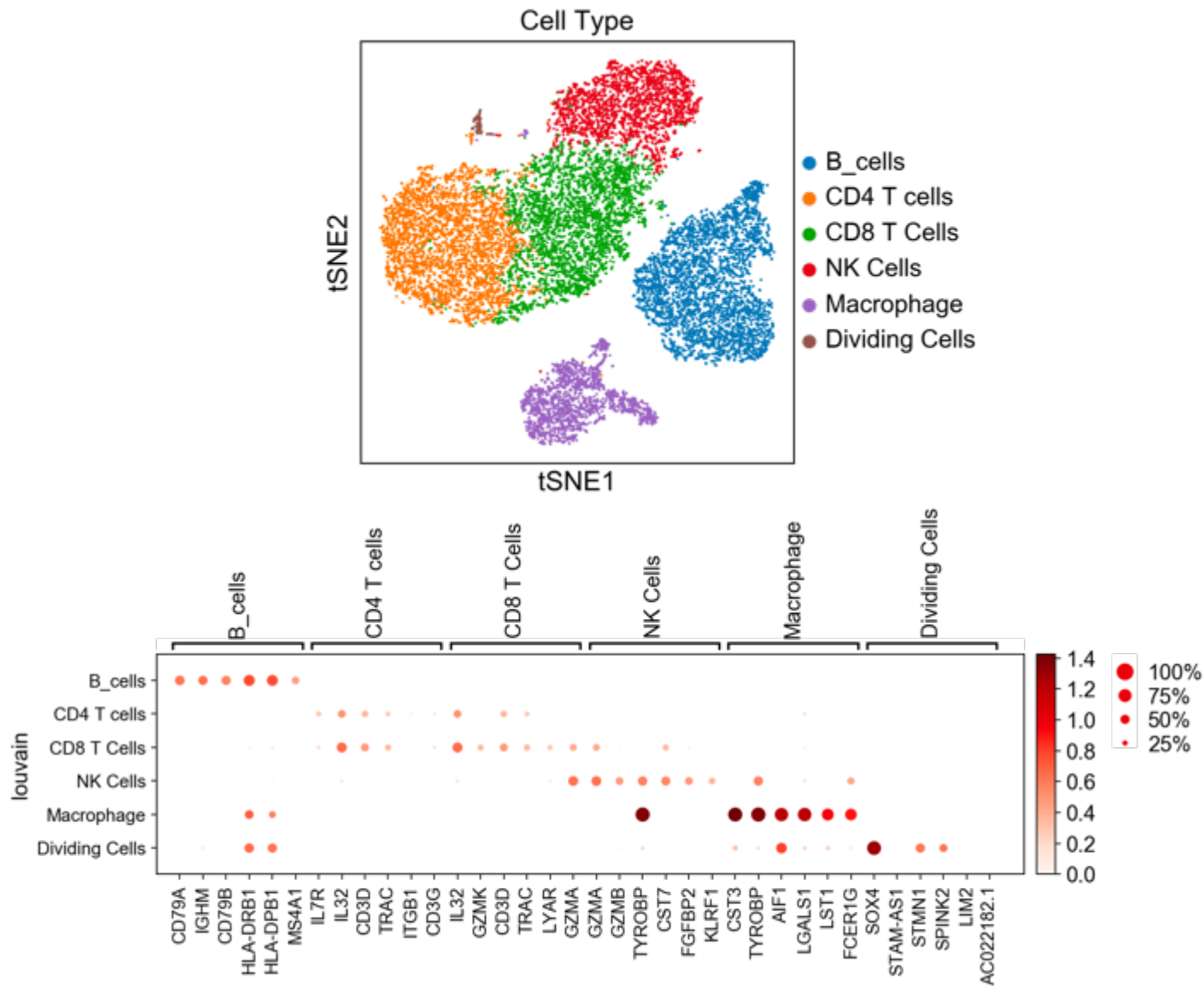
# Sparse sampling of gene expression

Gene-Cell Sparse Matrix

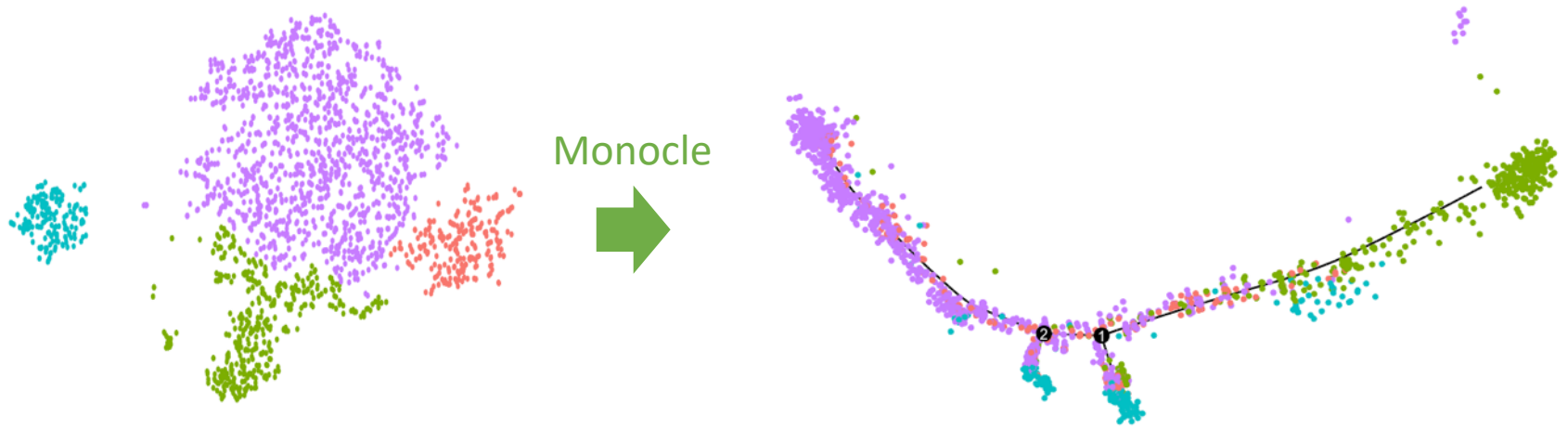
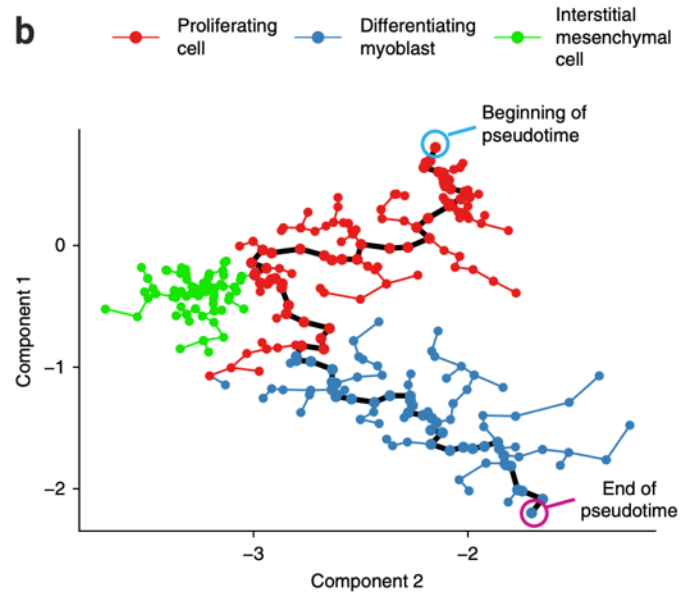
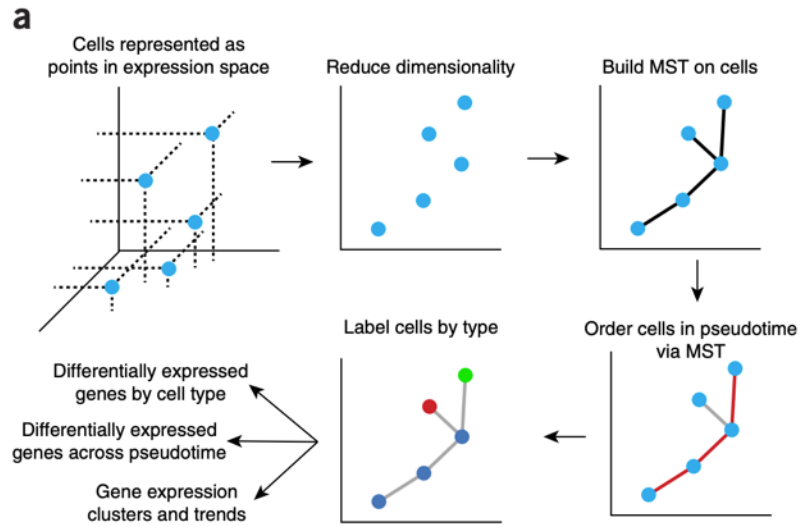


Top	Gene Expression	US Wealth
1%	15%	35%
10%	55%	73%
20%	73%	86%

# Basic output of scRNAseq pipeline



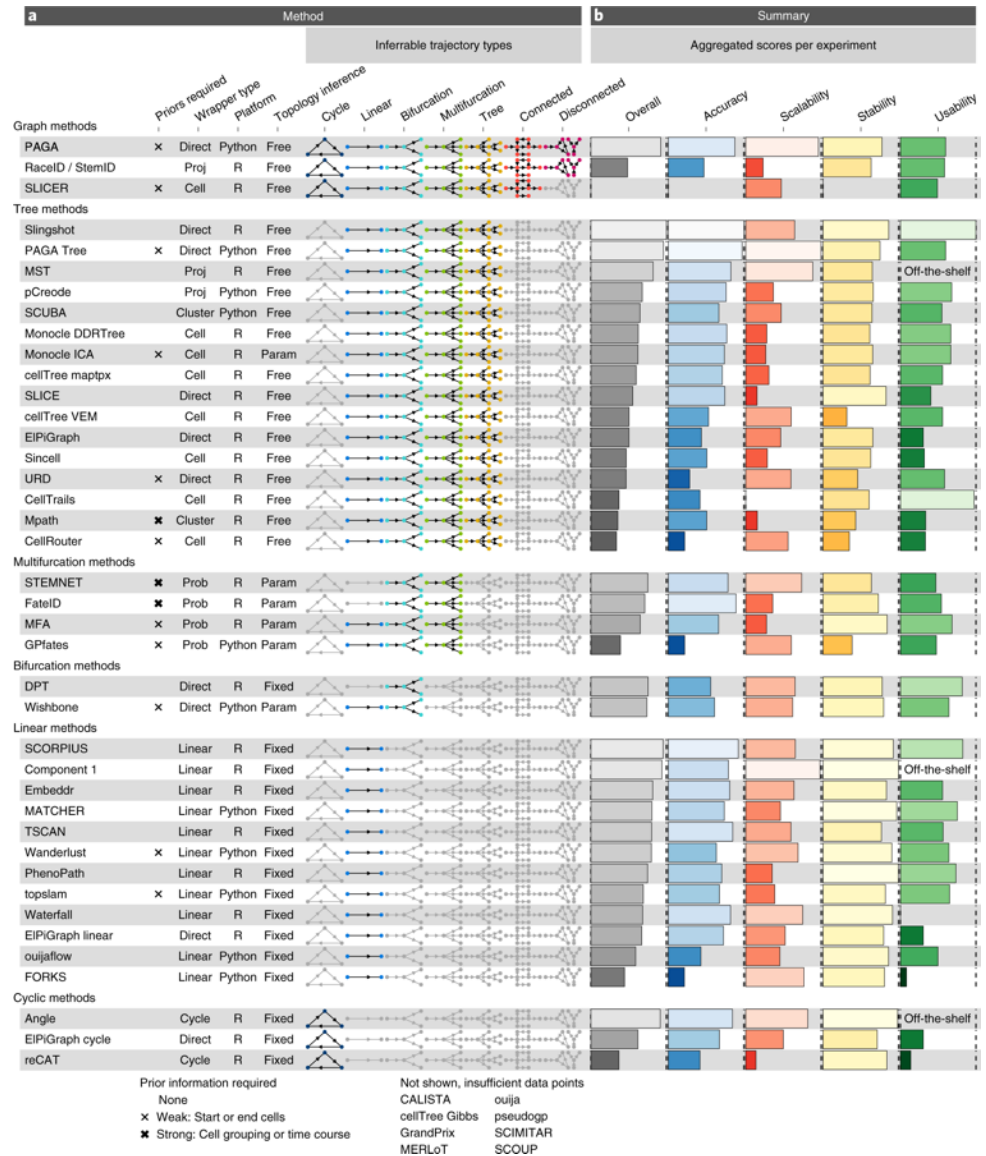
# Pseudotime analysis



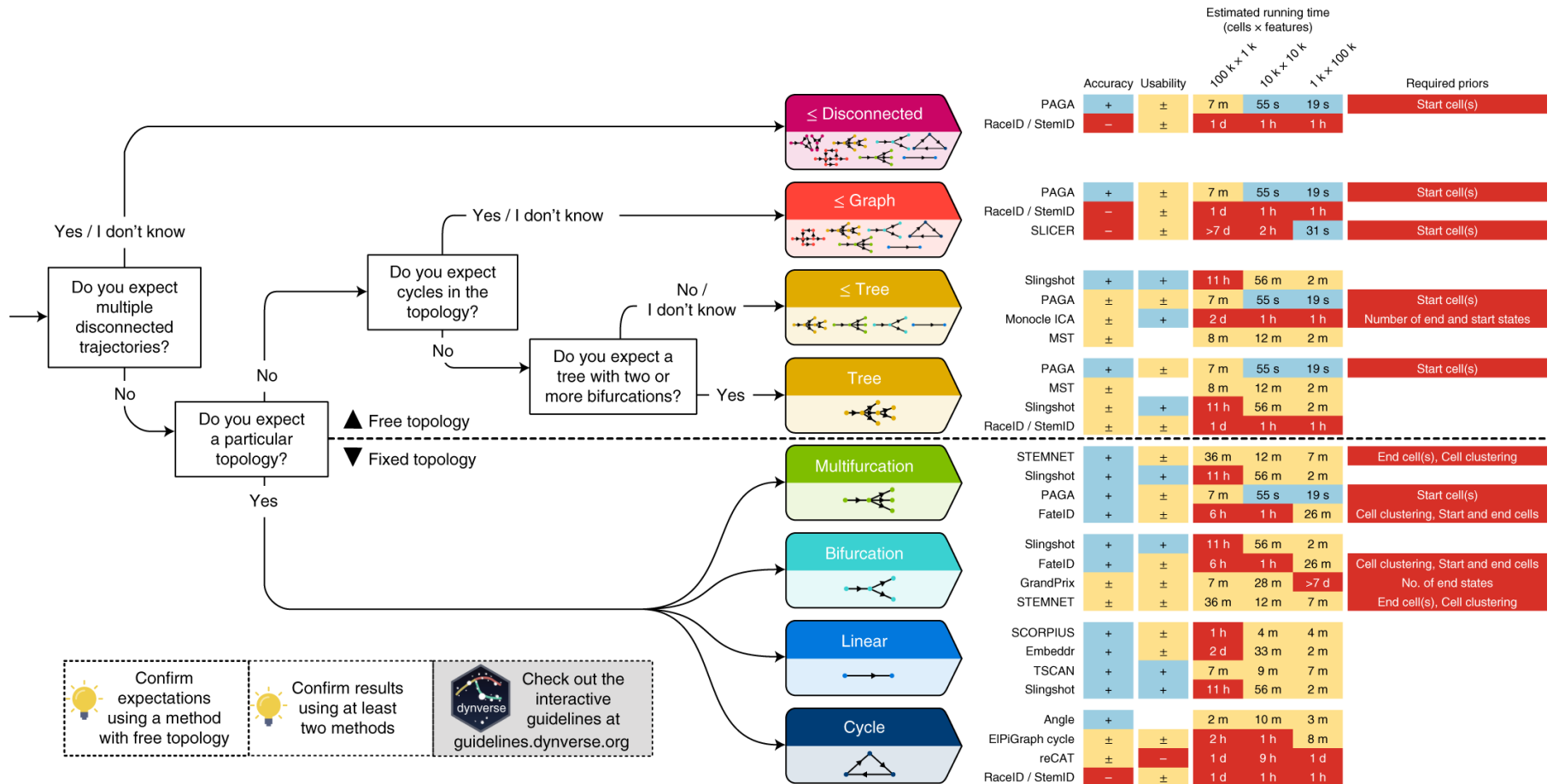
# Pseudotime

Dozens of methods developed

Vary in terms of feature selection, dimensionality reduction, tree construction, etc



# Pseudotime – which method to use?





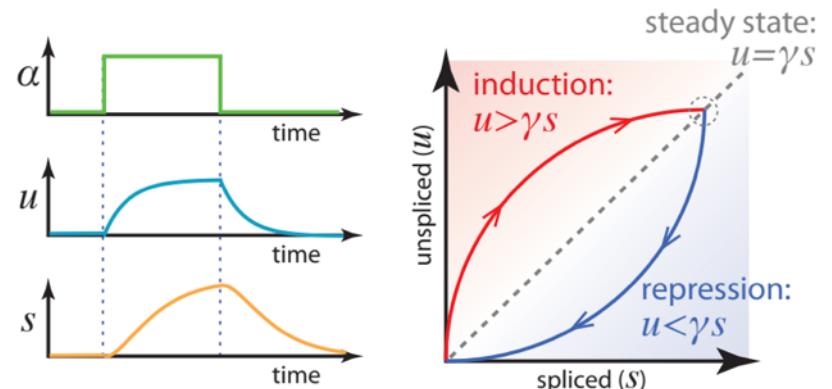
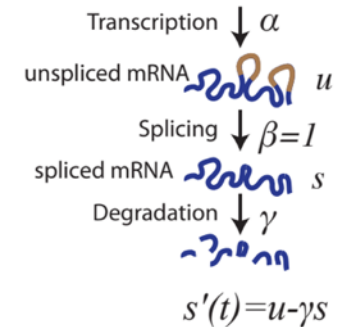
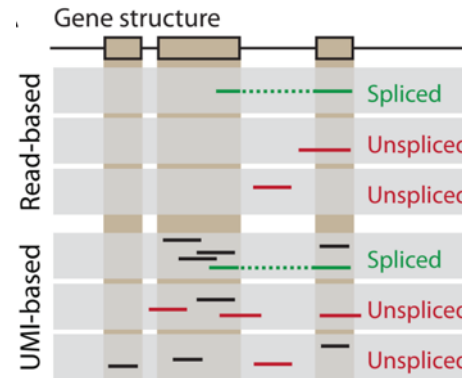
# RNA Velocity

Estimates rates of change in mRNA levels by modeling nascent RNA synthesis

Quantifies spliced / unspliced

Models dynamics

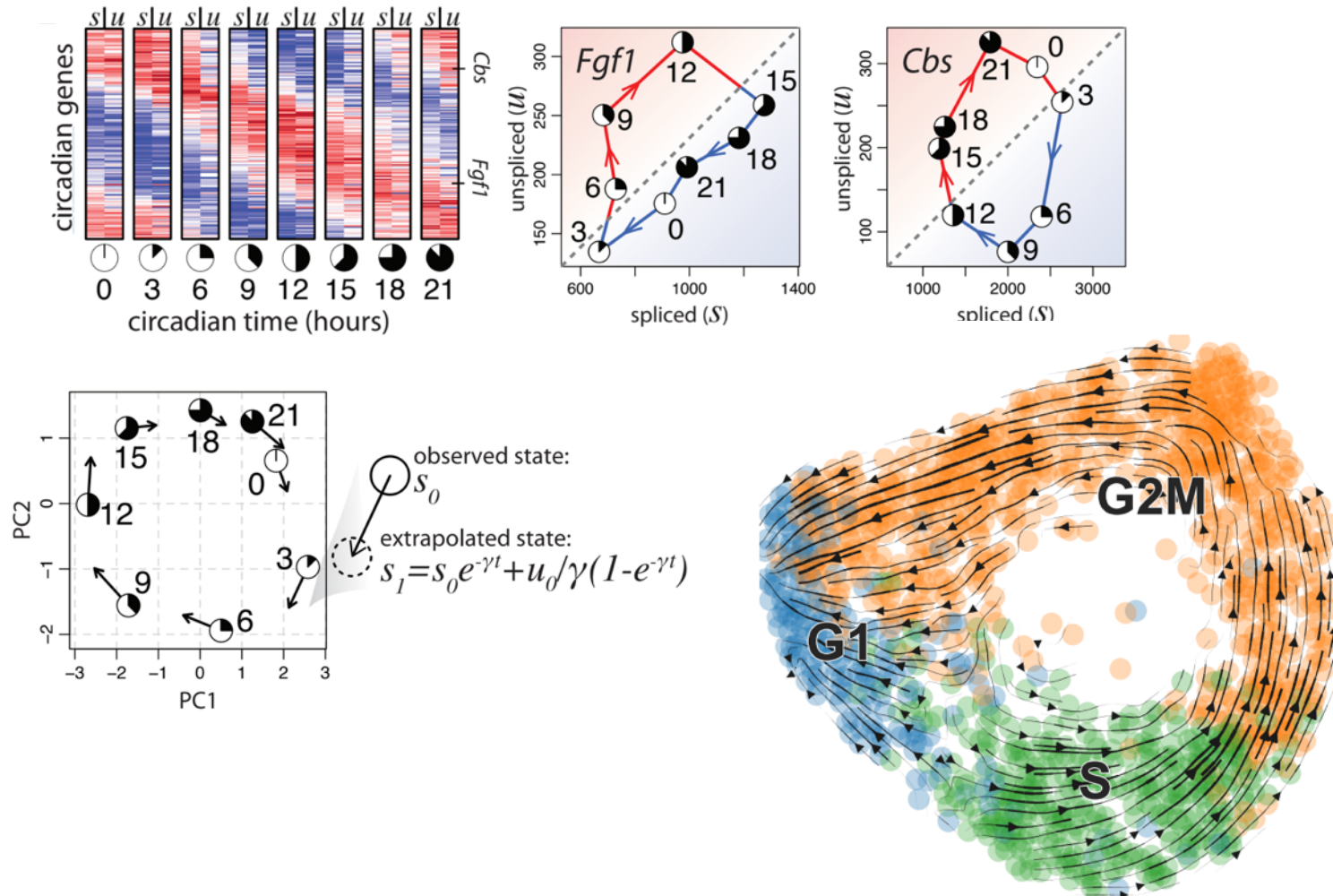
**CAVEATS:** Gene annotations  
Cryptic exons  
unannotated intronic genes  
repetitive elements



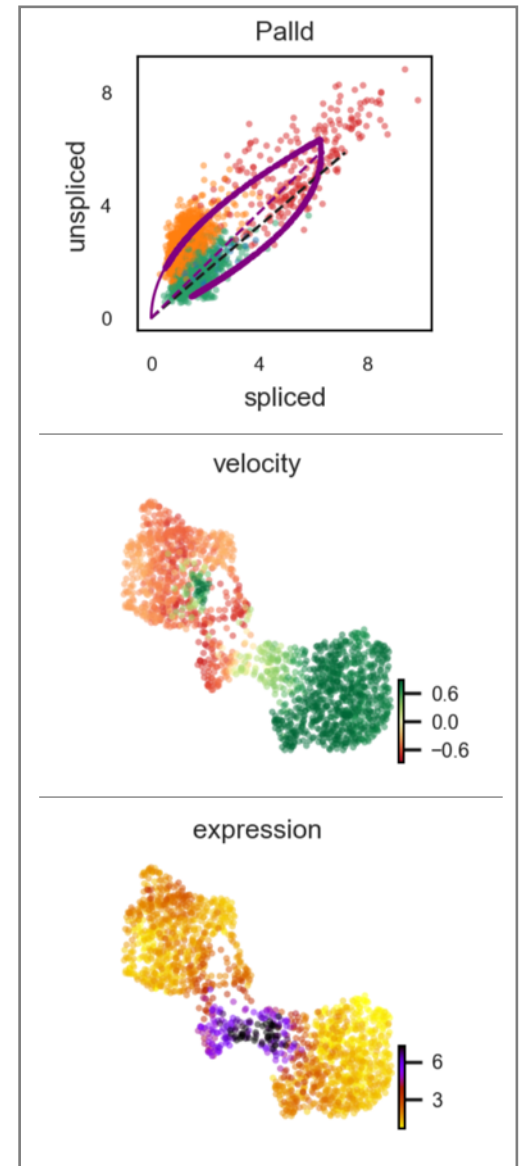
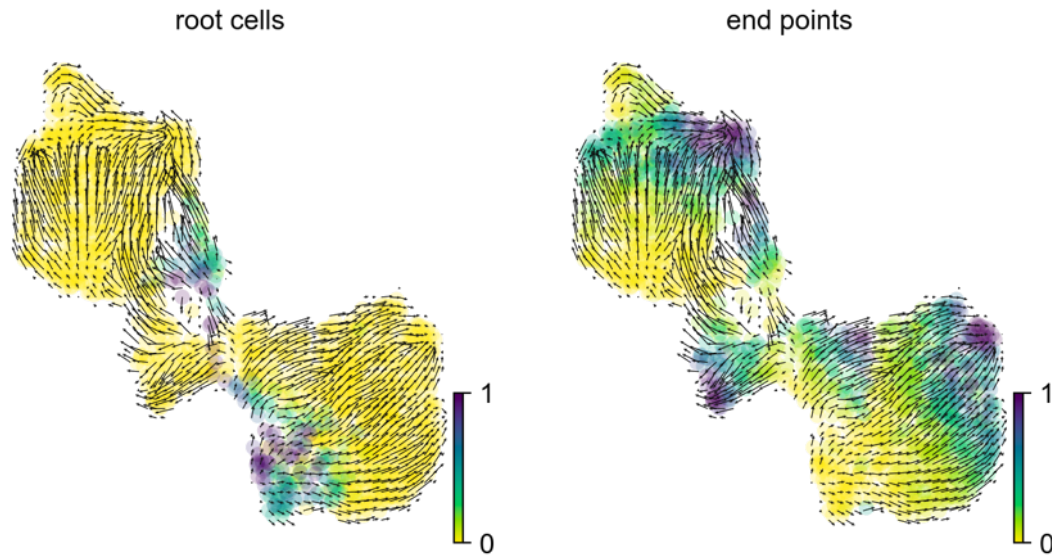
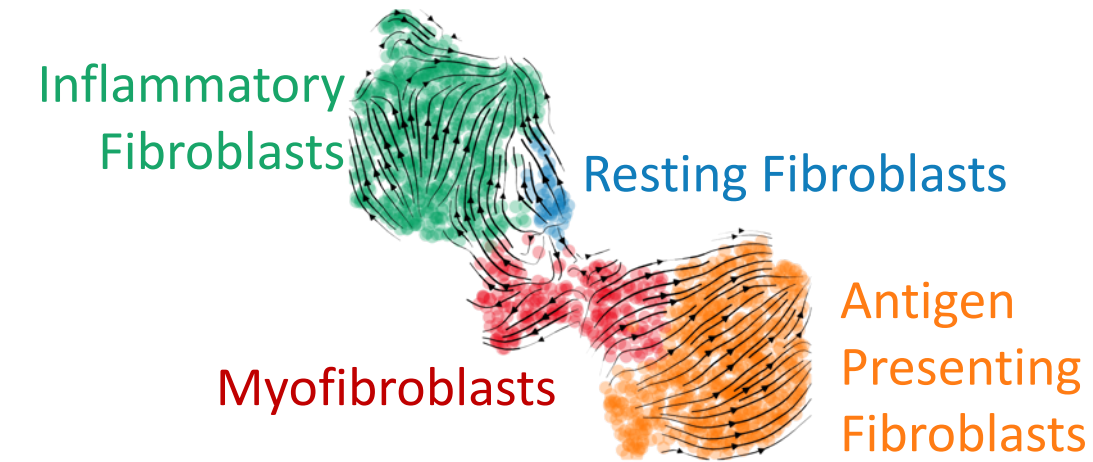
Le Manno et al. (2018) *Nature*

# RNA Velocity

Bulk RNAseq from mouse circadian rhythm data



# Inferring Differentiation Trajectories from RNA Velocity



# SCENIC

single-cell regulatory network inference and clustering

## Transcription Factor Activity Inference

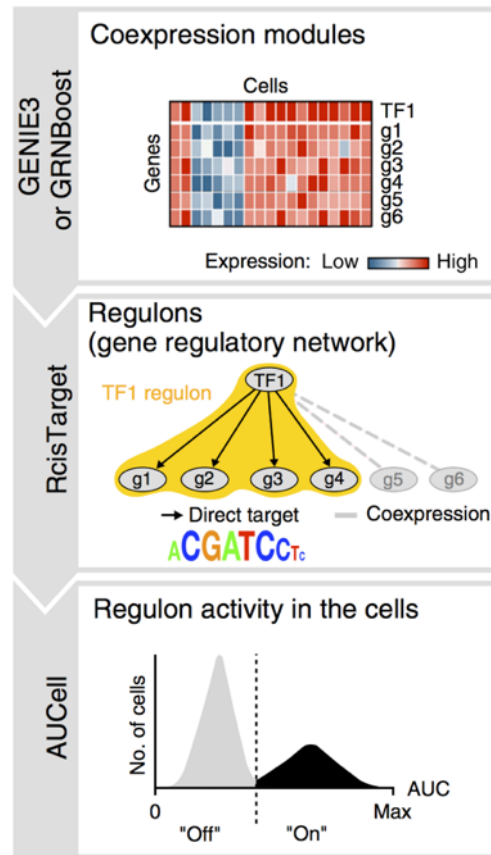
Gene Co-expression network



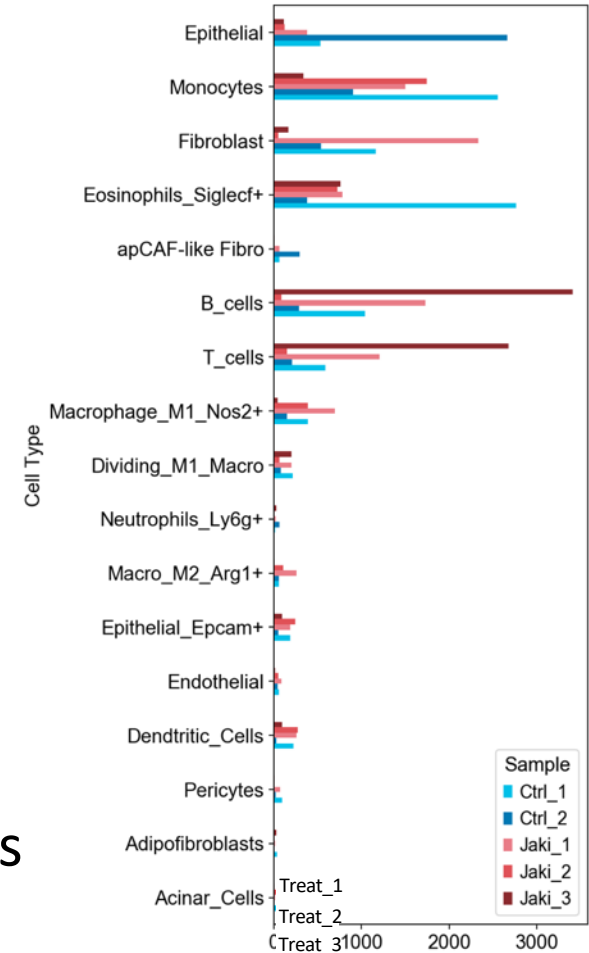
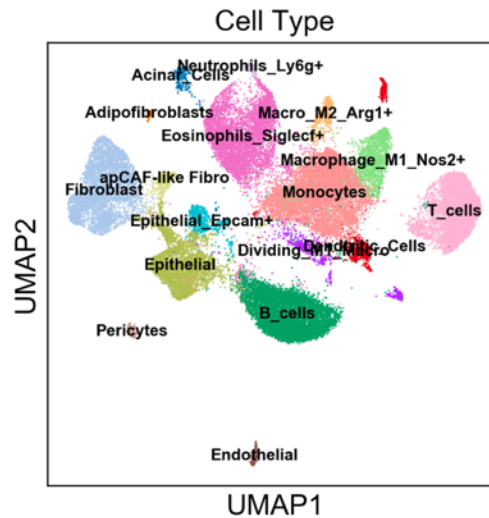
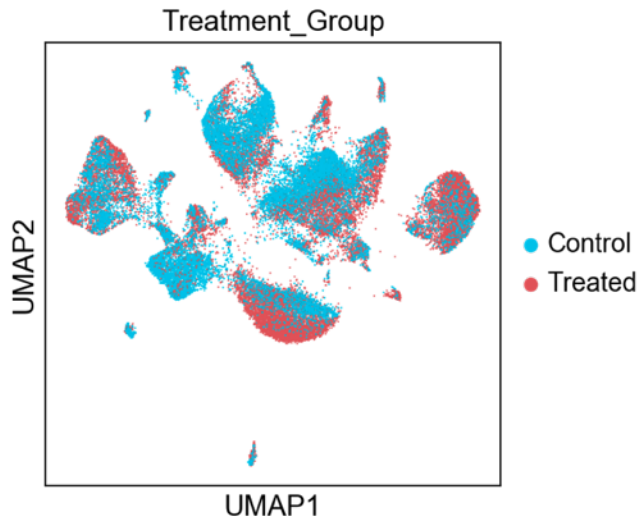
Motif search



Regulon activity



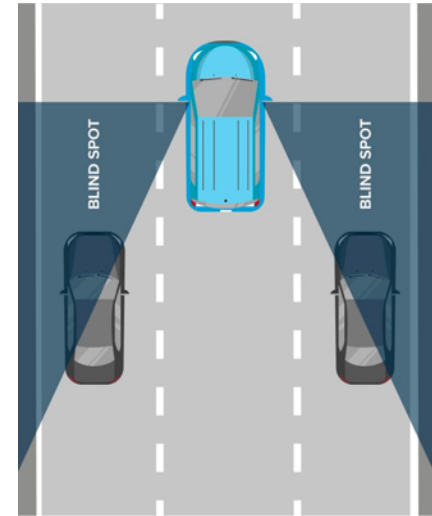
# scRNAseq is a poor cytometry tool



- Unreliable – highly sensitive to conditions
- Expensive
- Low throughput

# Blind Spots

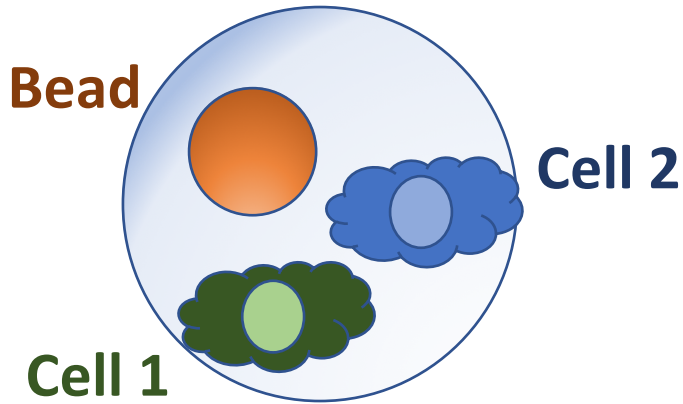
- Some cell types might be missed
  - Low mRNA count – filtered from matrix
    - Early 10X Genomics Software (v2)
    - Defaulted to exclude lots of lymphocytes
  - Hard to dissociate from tissue
    - Fibroblasts
  - Cells might die quickly during prep
    - Stem cells
  - Fragile: (Acinar cells, Plasma cells)
  - High RNase / protease content (Acinar, Neutrophils)
    - Peripheral blood neutrophils especially!!!
  - Doublets / Multiplets





# Doublets

- Proportional to concentration of cell suspension



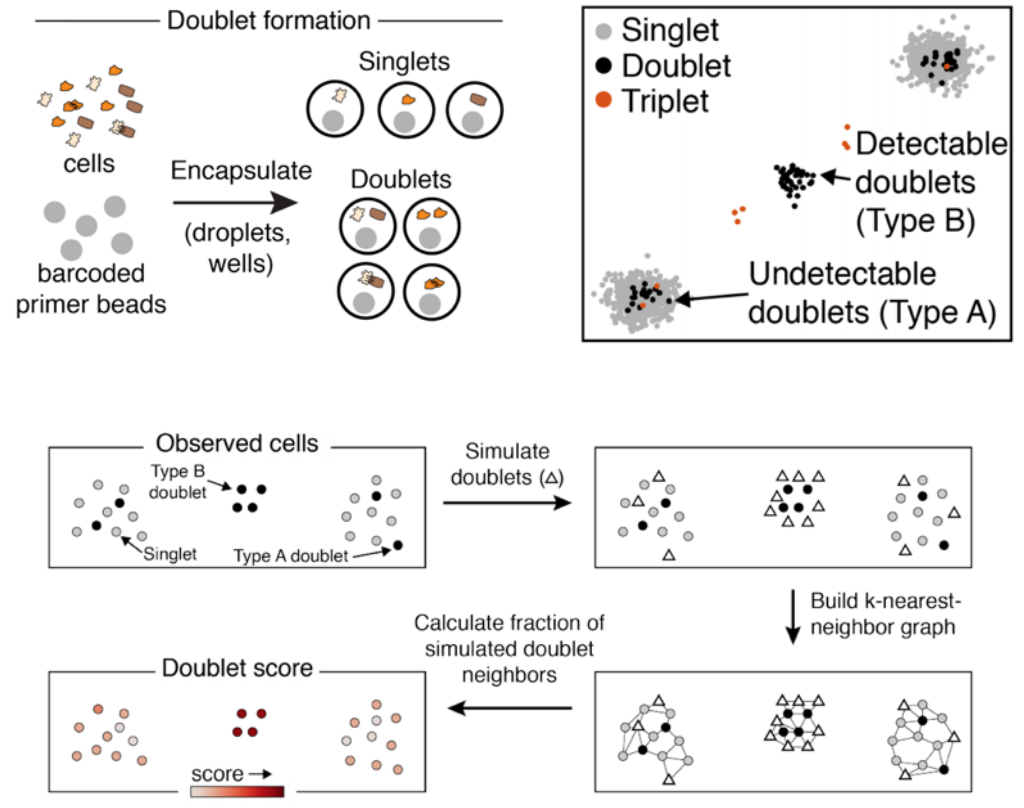
• [DoubletFinder](#) - [R] - Doublet detection in single-cell RNA sequencing data using artificial nearest neighbors. [BioRxiv](#)

• [DoubletDecon](#) - [R] - Cell-State Aware Removal of Single-Cell RNA-Seq Doublets. [BioRxiv](DoubletDecon: Cell-State Aware Removal of Single-Cell RNA-Seq Doublets)

• [DoubletDetection](#) - [R, Python] - A Python3 package to detect doublets (technical errors) in single-cell RNA-seq count matrices. An [R implementation](#) is in development.

• [Scrublet](#) - [Python] - Computational identification of cell doublets in single-cell transcriptomic data. [BioRxiv](#)

## Scrublet

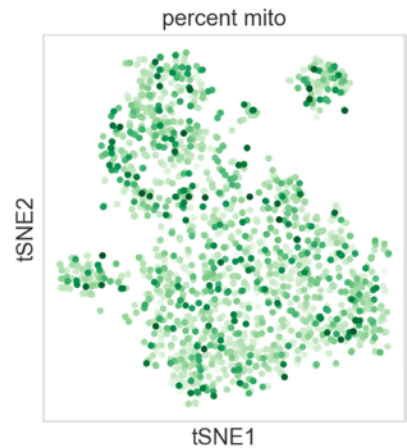


# Sources of Measurement Noise

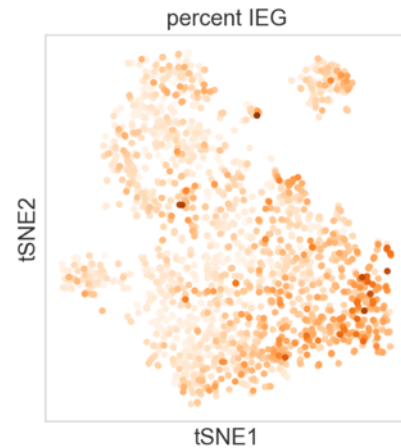
## Library Depth



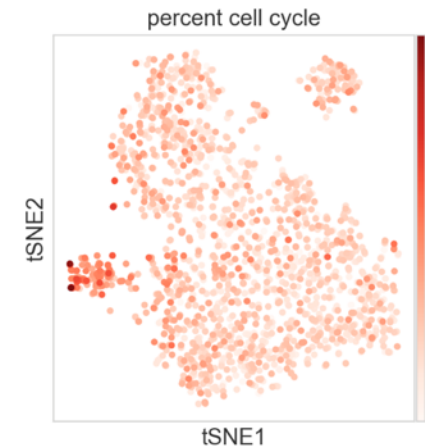
## Cell Viability



## Dissociation Artifacts

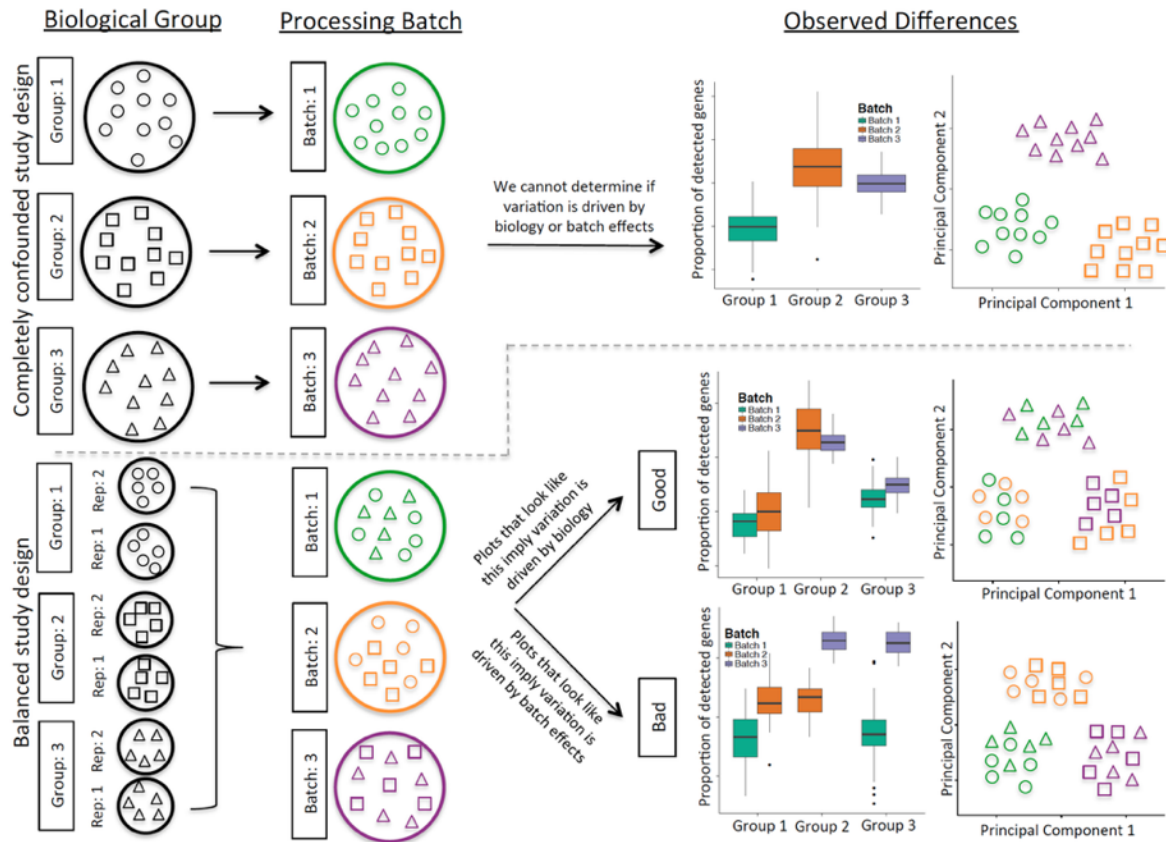


## Cycling Cells



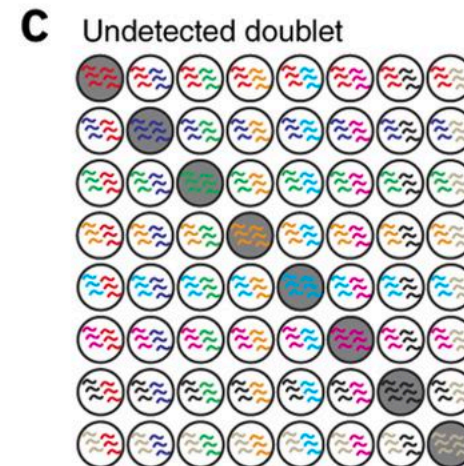
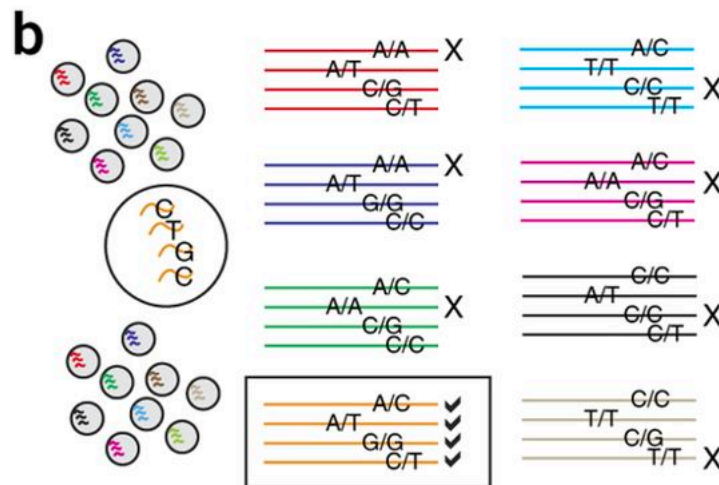
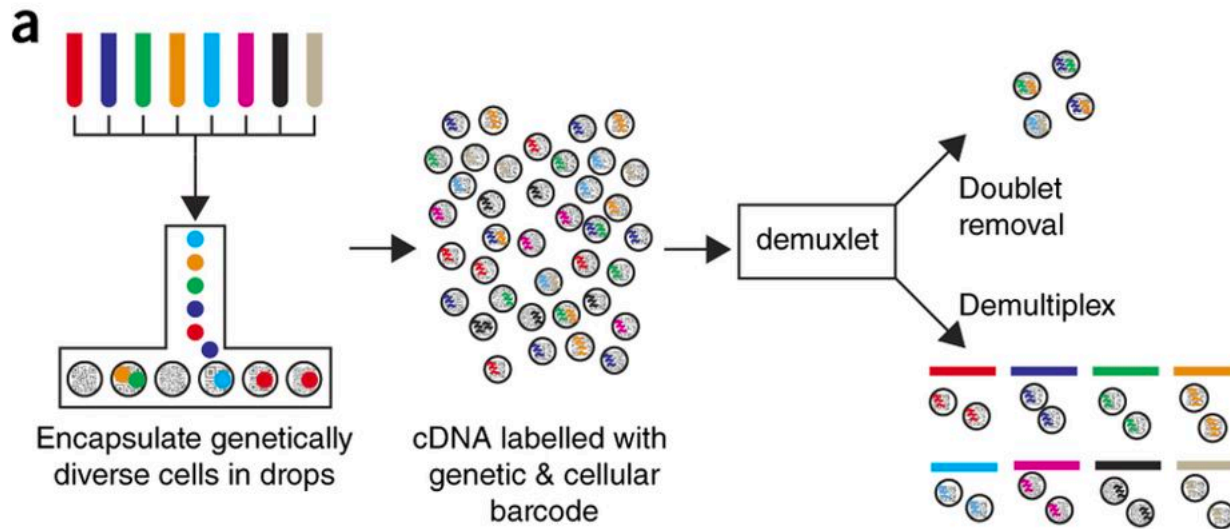


# Batch effects and study design



# Multiplexing Using Natural Genetic Variation

## Demuxlet



# Sex – matched studies are helpful!

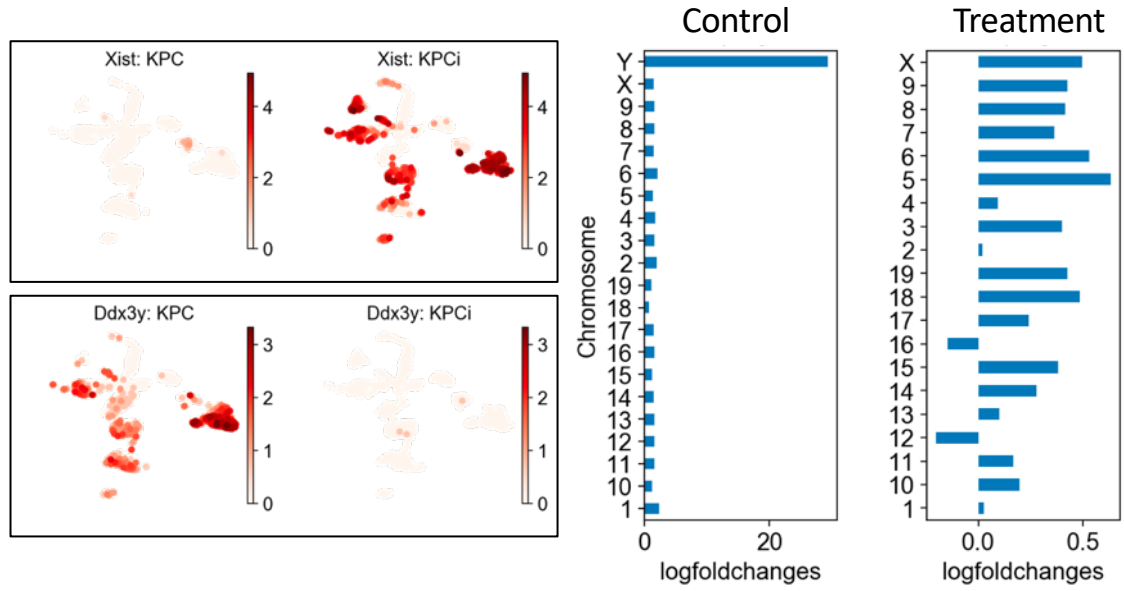
**Major confounder: Male / Female**

Treatment: Female

Control: Male

**Consequence:**

Unsupervised differential gene expression calling will be dominated by sex-specific expression. No way of separating this variable from the treatment variable



# Batch Correction

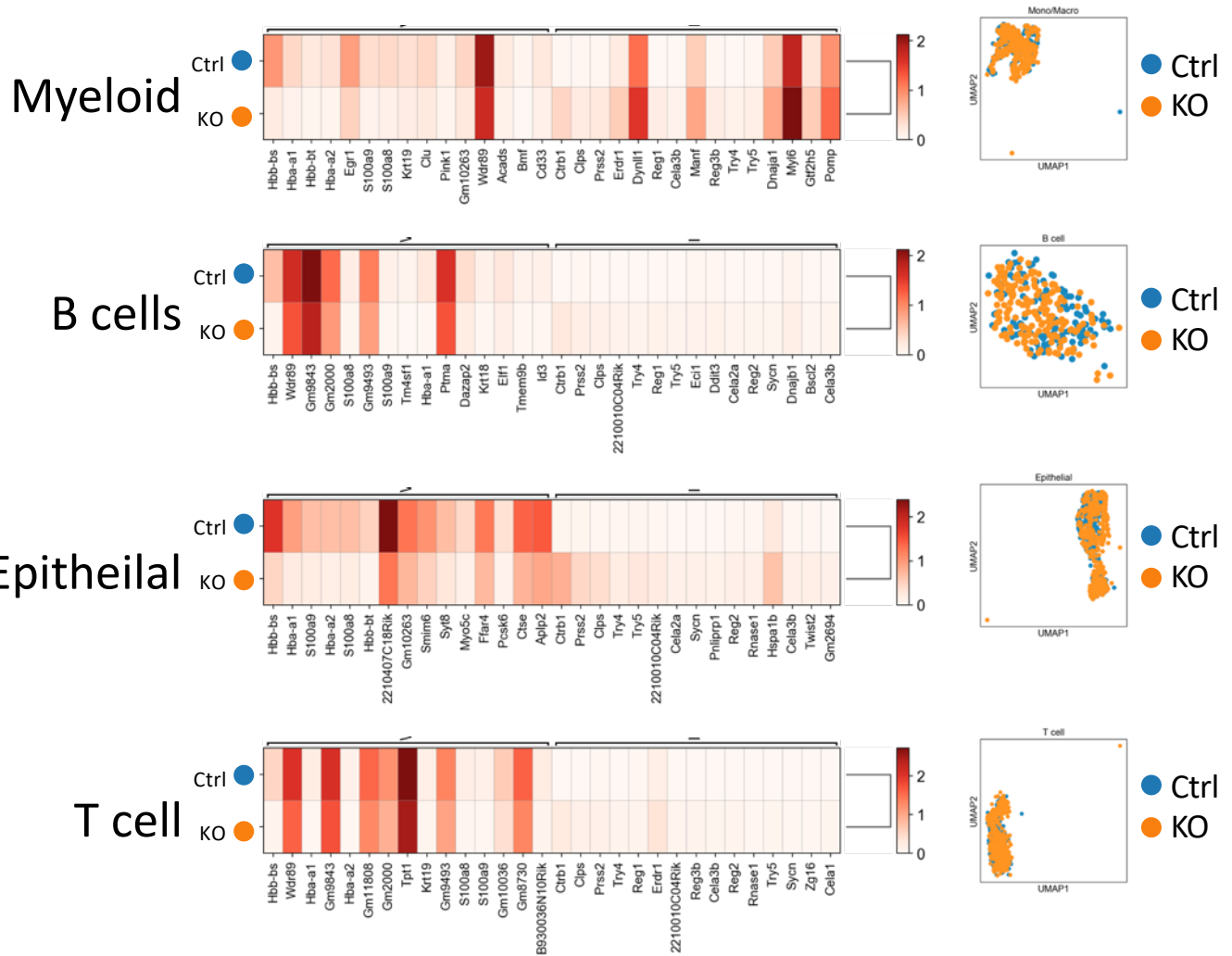
## Confounded Study Example:

WT and KO mice

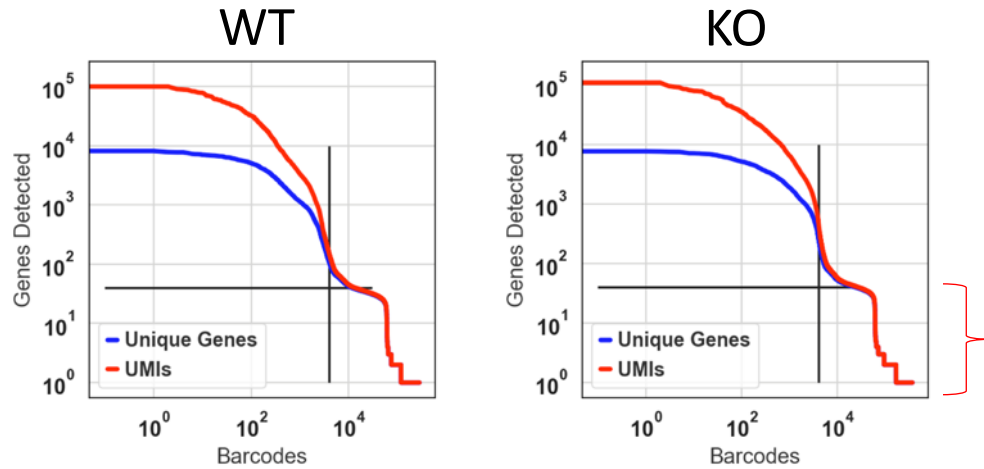
Prepared on same day  
Same colony  
Same set of hands

Diffex dominated by same genes within every cluster

! major batch effect issues

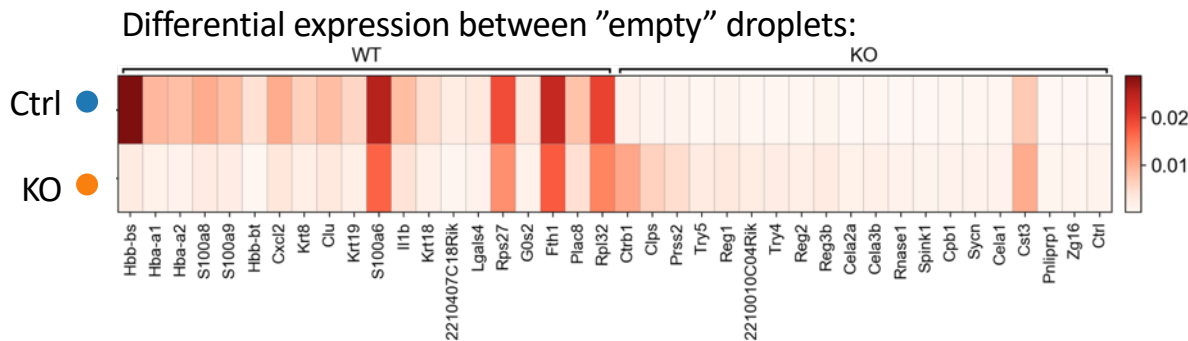


# Controlling for batch effects



Ambient RNA in droplets

Significant sources of contaminating mRNA:



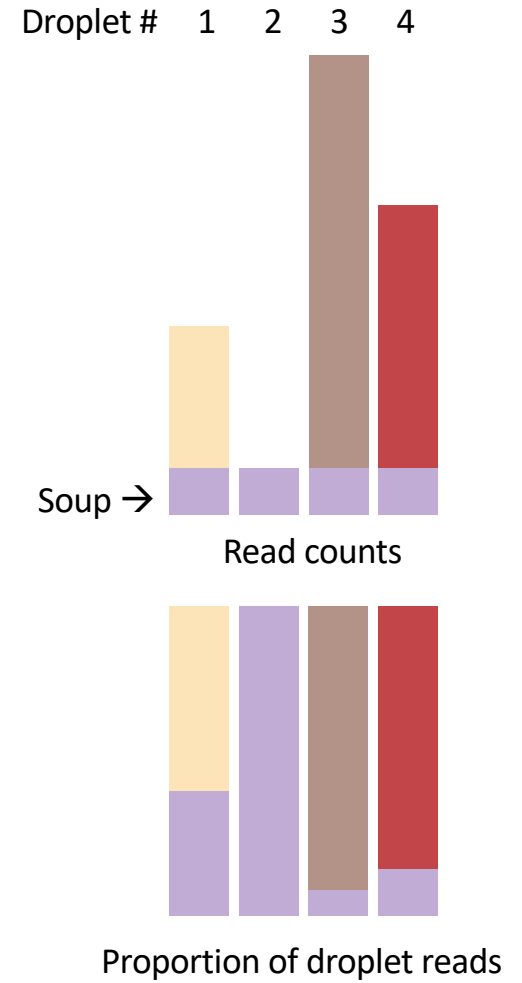
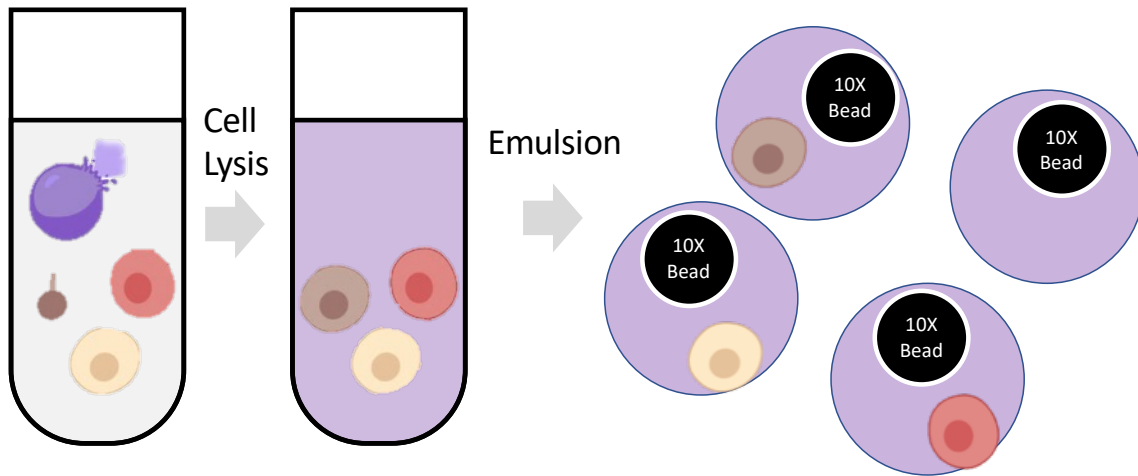
Erythrocytes

**WT:** Epithelial

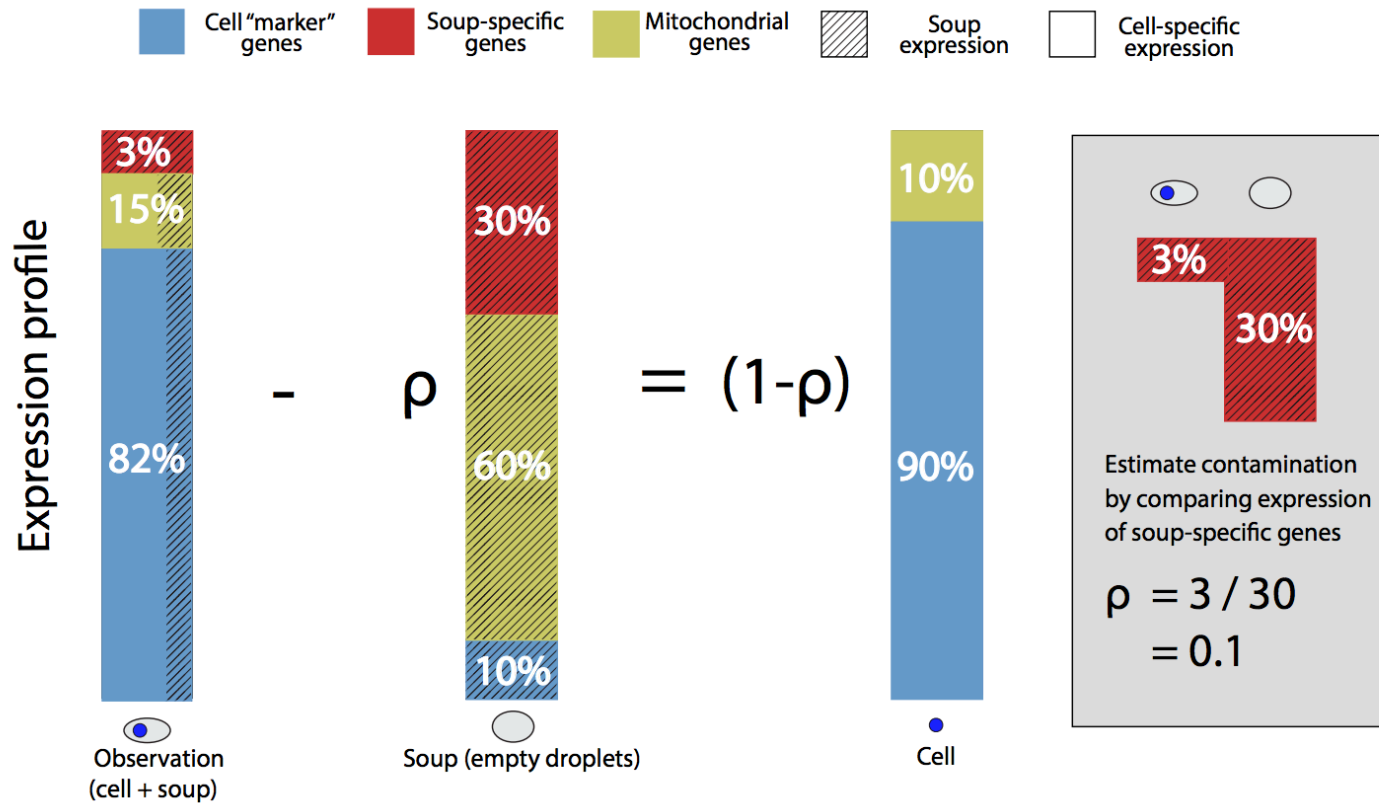
Granulocytes

**KO:** Acinar cells

# Ambient RNA: "SOUP"



# SoupX



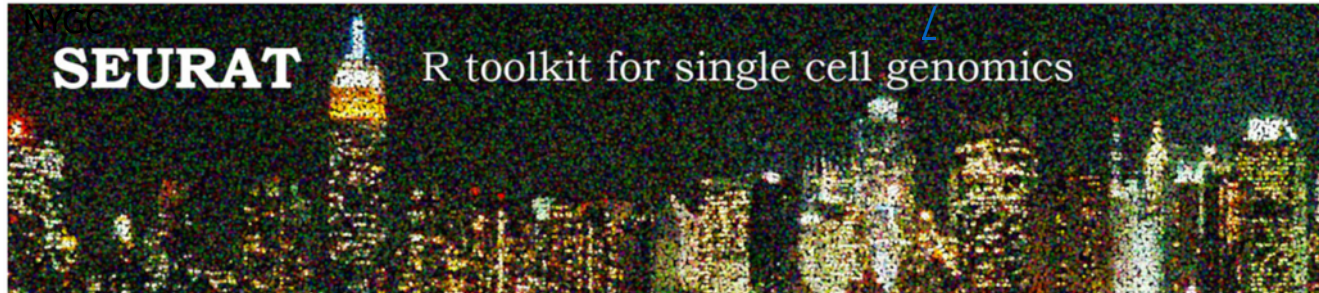


# Getting started with your own analyses

Rahul Satija -

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<https://satijalab.org/seurat>

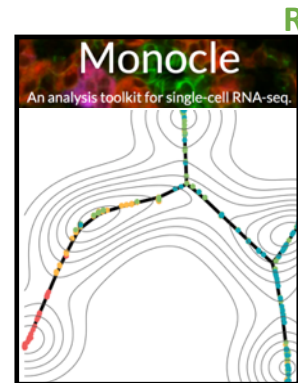


Fabian Theis - München



<https://scanpy.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

Python



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Cole Trapnell - WashU

Liger

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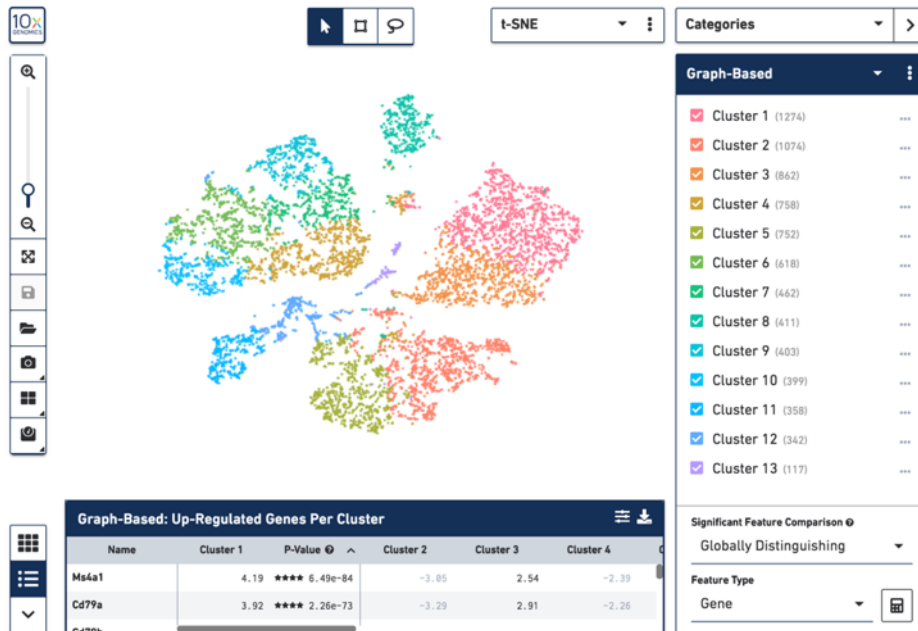
Macosko lab

AWESOME SINGLE CELL RESOURCE

<https://github.com/seandavi/awesome-single-cell>



# Loupe Cell Browser



## Can:

- Quickly visualize genes
- Do guided clustering via marker genes / tSNE selections
- Calculate Differential Expression
- Export cells and gene sets for reanalysis on Cellranger (cluster)

## Can't

- Redo unsupervised clustering / tSNE / UMAP
- Repeat PCA / gene set selection
- Pseudotime, other fancy things

<https://support.10xgenomics.com/single-cell-gene-expression/software/downloads/latest>

# The Best Site On the Internet. Probably.

- [https://github.com/Teichlab/scg\\_lib\\_structs](https://github.com/Teichlab/scg_lib_structs)

Detailed visual guides to dozens of single-cell genomics methods

## Adapter and primer sequences:

Barcoded Tn5 sequence s5: 5'- TCGTCGGCAGCGTCTCCACGC[8-bp Tn5 index]GCGATCGAGGACGGCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG -3'

Barcoded Tn5 sequence s7: 5'- GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGCTGTCCCTGTCC[8-bp Tn5 index]CACCGTCTCCGCCTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG -3'

Tn5 binding site 19-bp Mosaic End (ME) bottom: 5'- /Phos/AGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG -3'

P5 index primer entry point (s5): 5'- TCGTCGGCAGCGTCTCCACGC -3'

P7 index primer entry point (s7): 5'- GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGCTGTCCCTGTCC -3'

P5 index primer: 5'- AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACAC[i5]TCGTCGGCAGCGTCTCCACGC -3'

P7 index primer: 5'- CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGAT[i7]GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGCTGTCCCTGTCC -3'

Read 1 sequencing primer: 5'- GCGATCGAGGACGGCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG -3'

Index 1 sequencing primer (i7): 5'- CTGTCTTTATACATCTGAGCGGAGACGGTG -3'

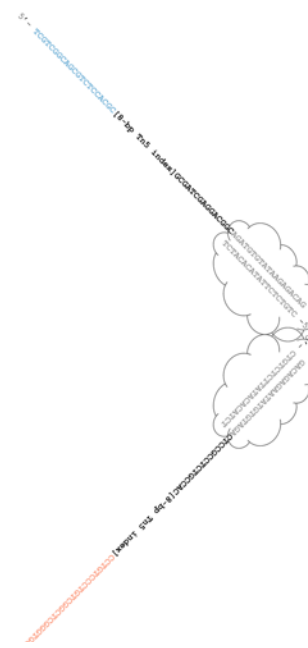
Read 2 sequencing primer: 5'- CACCGTCTCCGCCTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG -3'

Product 1 (s5 at both ends, not amplifiable due to *semi-suppressive PCR*):

5'- TCGTCGGCAGCGTCTCCACGC[8-bp Tn5 index]GCGATCGAGGACGGCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAGXXXXXXXXXXXX...XXX CTGTCTTTATACATCT  
TCTACACATATTCTCTGTC XXX...XXXXXXXXXXXXGACAGAGAATATGTGTAGACGGCAGGAGCTAGCG[8-bp Tn5 index]CGCACCTCTGCGACGGTGTCT -5'

Product 2 (s7 at both ends, not amplifiable due to *semi-suppressive PCR*):

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“What I cannot create, I do not understand.” --Feynman

# Hacking Droplets



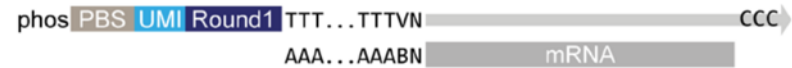
# scifi-RNA-seq

## Combinatorial fluidic indexing

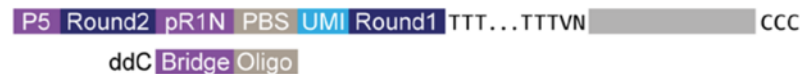
- Massive improvement in # cells
- Up-front barcoding in plates via RT
- Swaps chemistry of 10X Genomics:
  - Uses 10X Gel beads
  - Ligation instead of RT
- Up to 150,000 cells per channel
  - (15X increase)

### scifi-RNA-seq method design

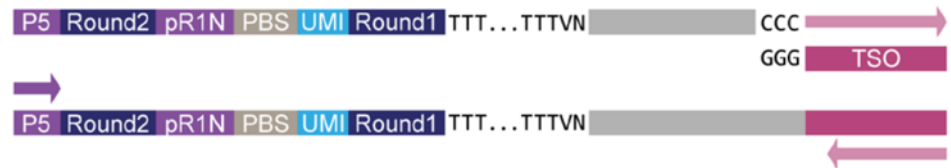
Round 1 indexing by reverse transcription on microwell plate



Round 2 indexing by thermoligation in microfluidic droplets



Template switching and cDNA enrichment



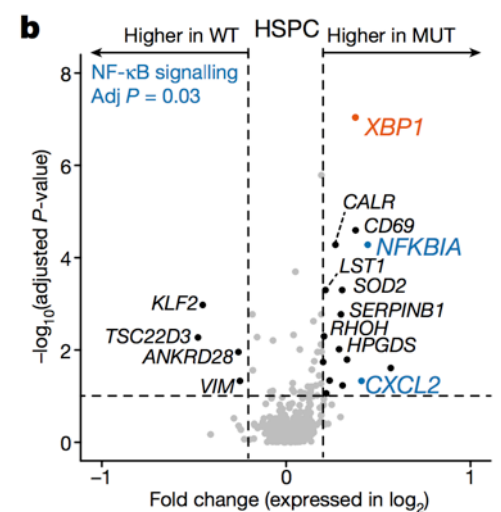
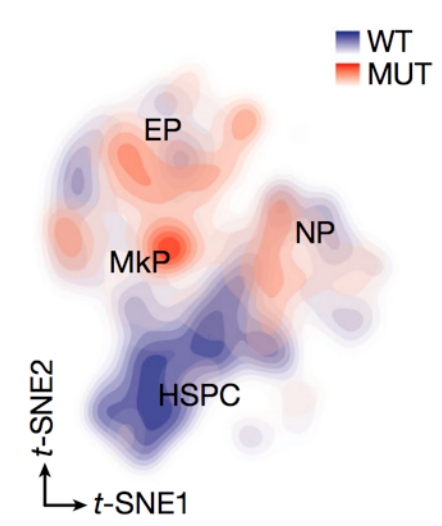
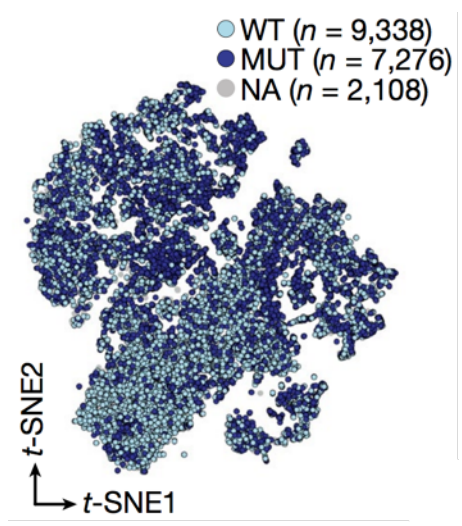
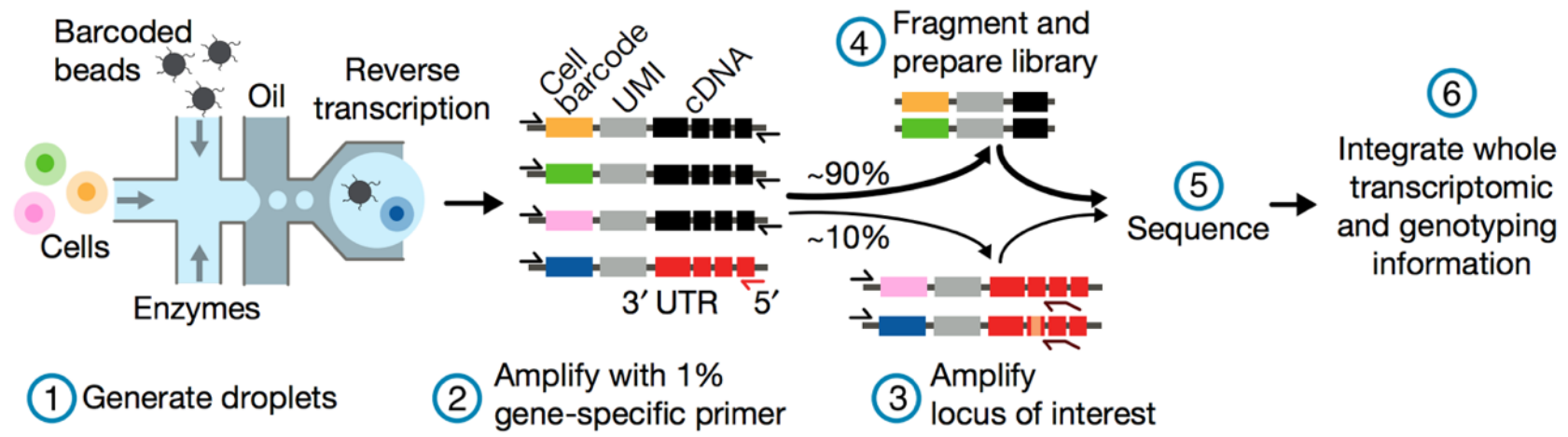
Tagmentation with custom transposome and library enrichment



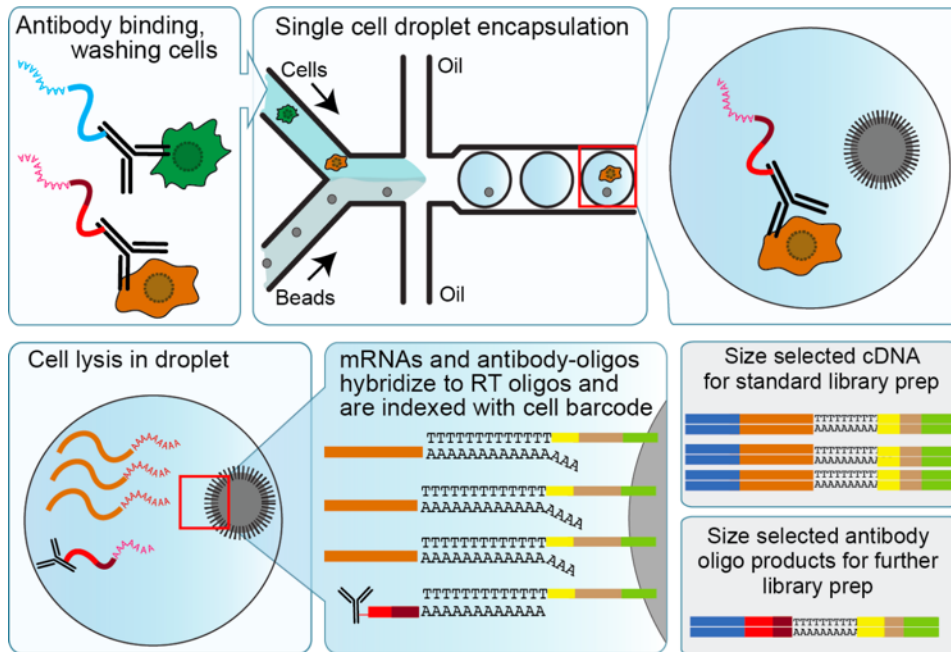
Next-generation sequencing (Illumina NovaSeq 6000)



# Genotyping of Transcriptomes



# CITE-Seq / REAP-Seq

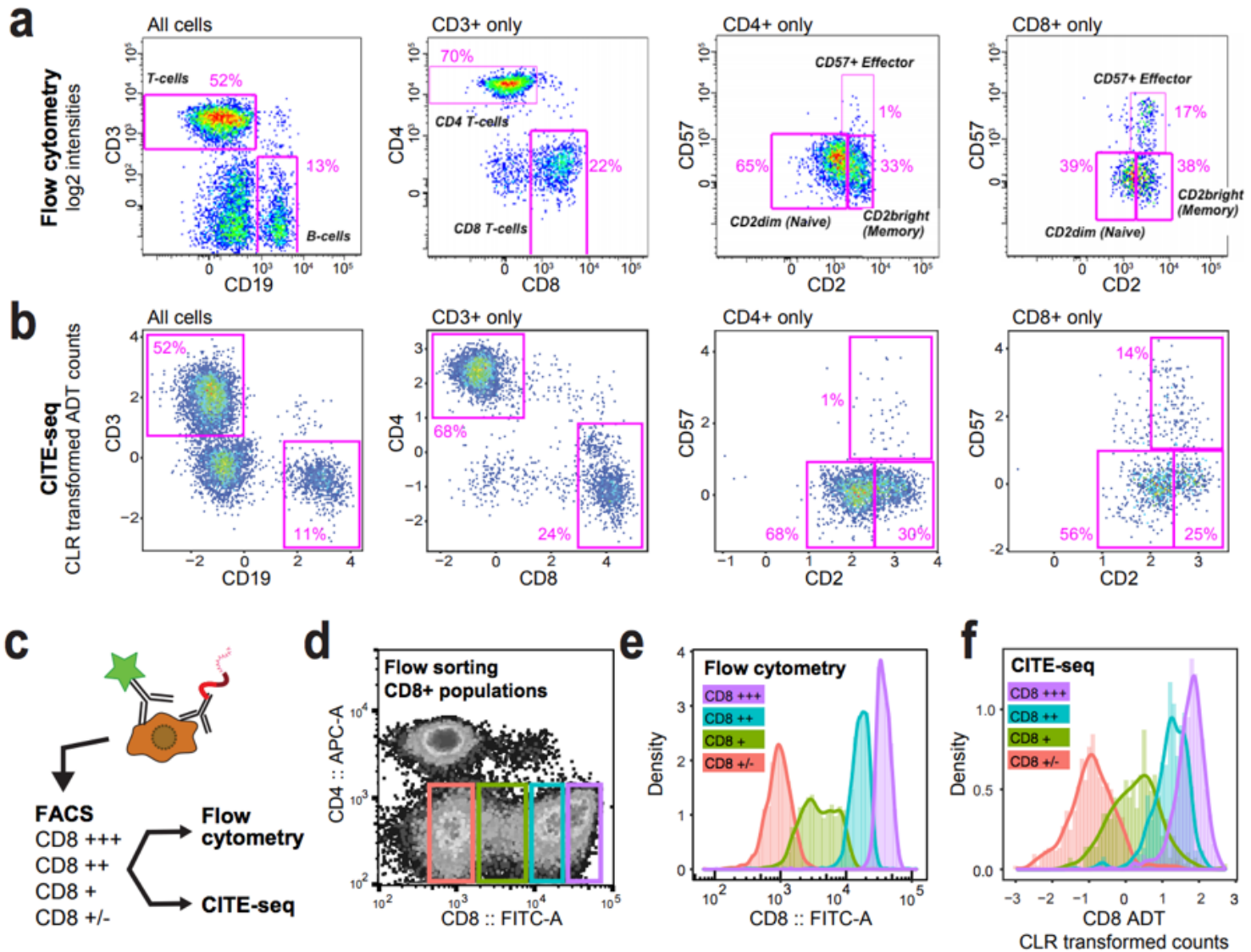


Antibody **Derived Tag (ADT)**  
sequenced as part of normal 10X run

**Enables:**

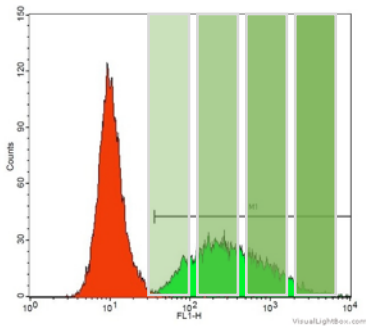
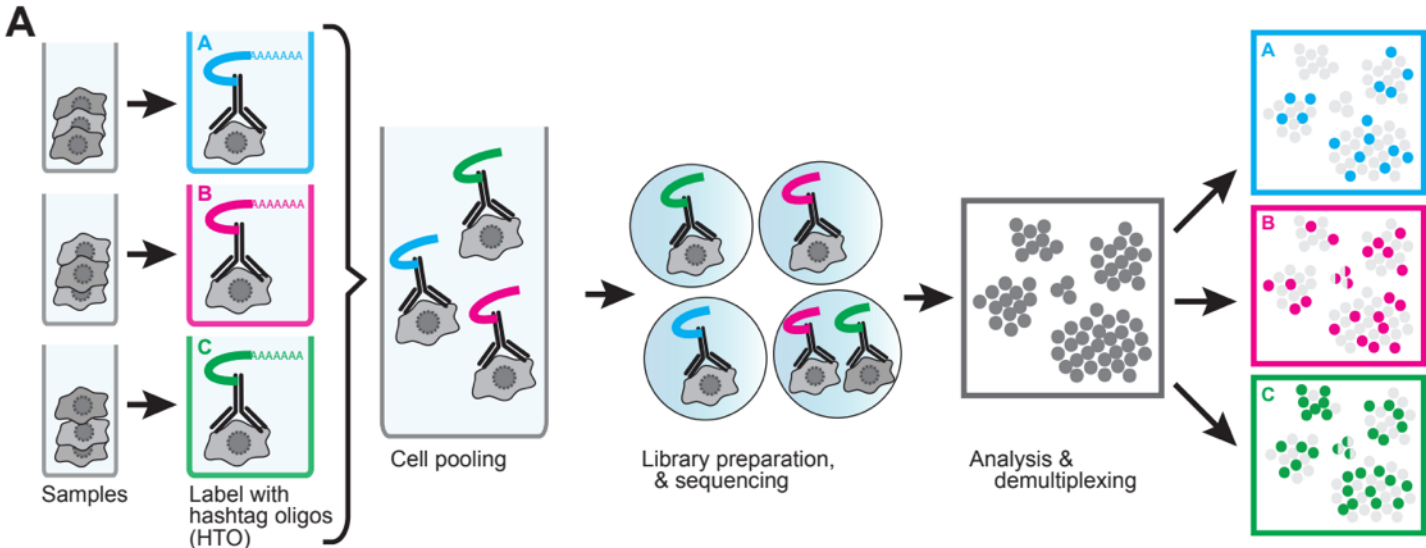
- Simultaneous mRNA + Protein Abundance
- Increased sensitivity to individual targets
- 'Superloading'

# CITE-Seq / REAP-Seq





# Multiplexing with ADTs: “Cell Hashing”



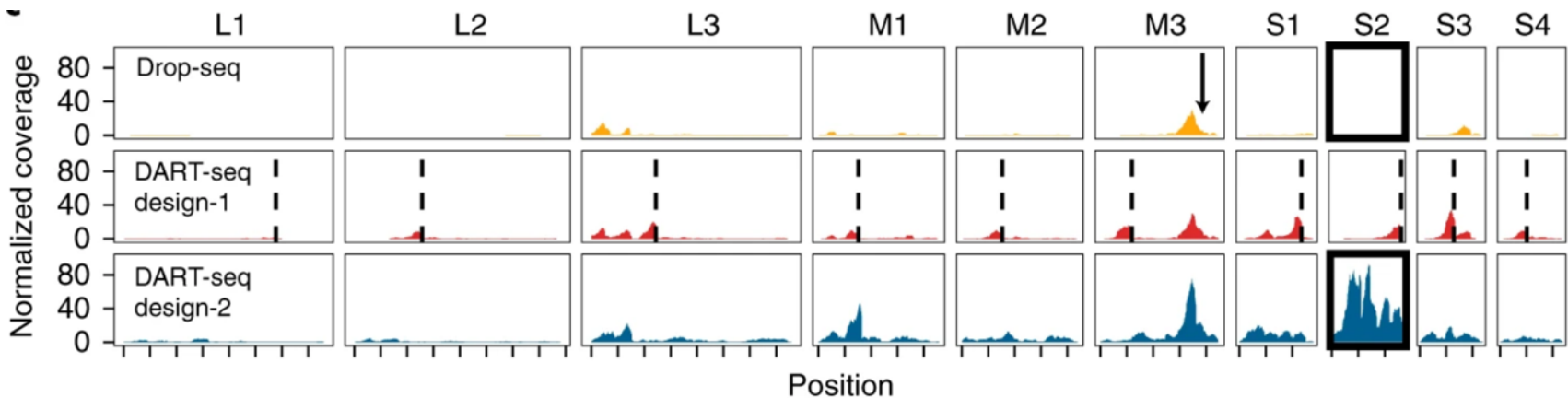
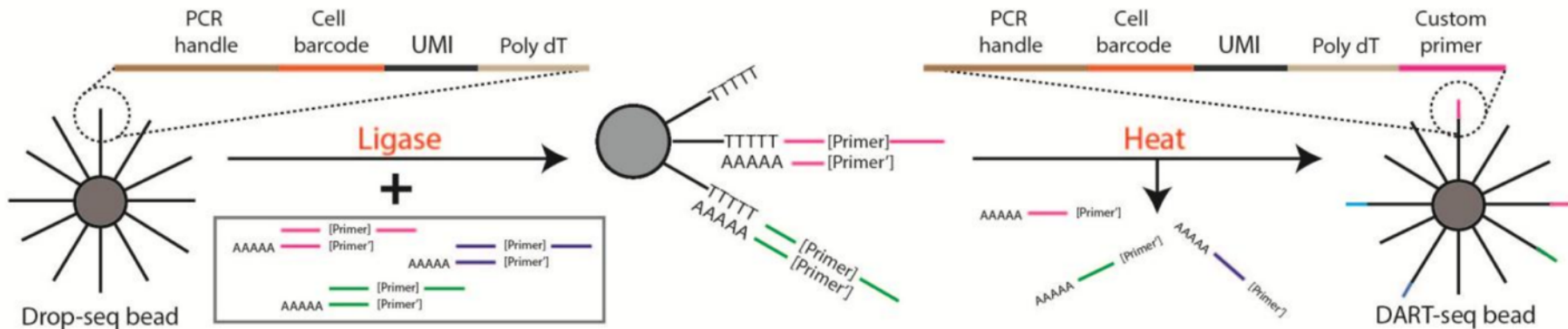
Sort multiple bins → HTO Label → Repool & Capture



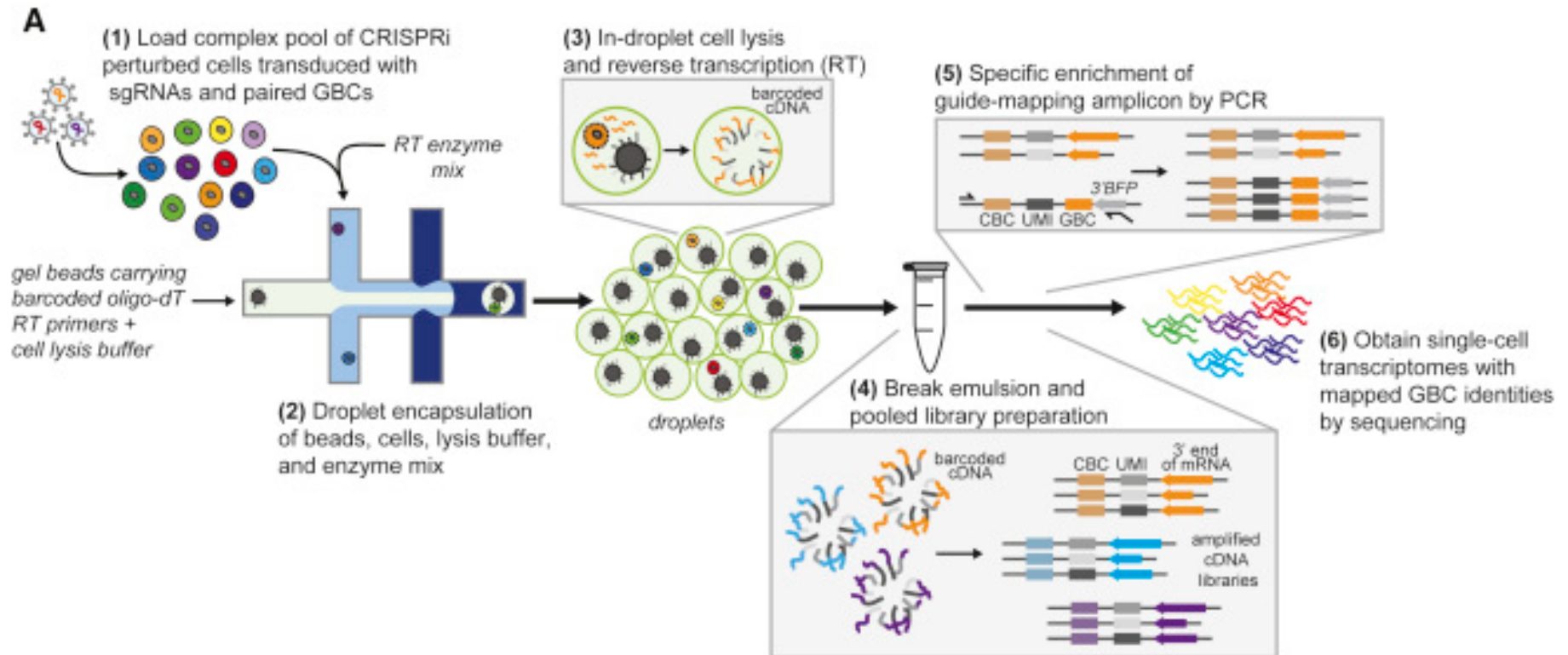
# DART-seq

## Droplet-Assisted RNA Targeting by single-cell sequencing

- Modification of barcoded bead to prime non-poly(A) transcripts
- Ligate gene-specific primers to subset of oligo-dT sites via bridge oligo
  - Careful titration of primers necessary

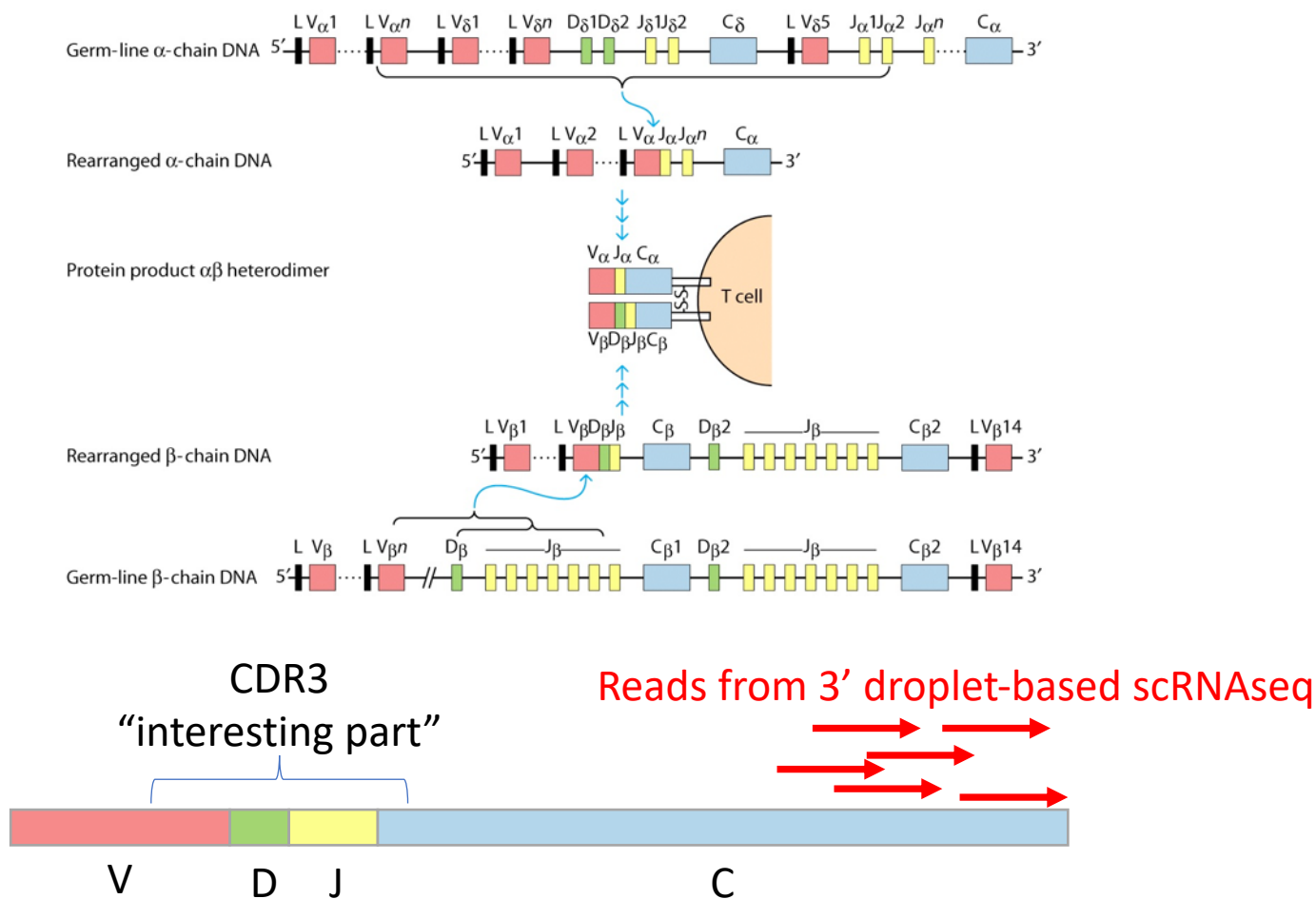


# Perturb-Seq

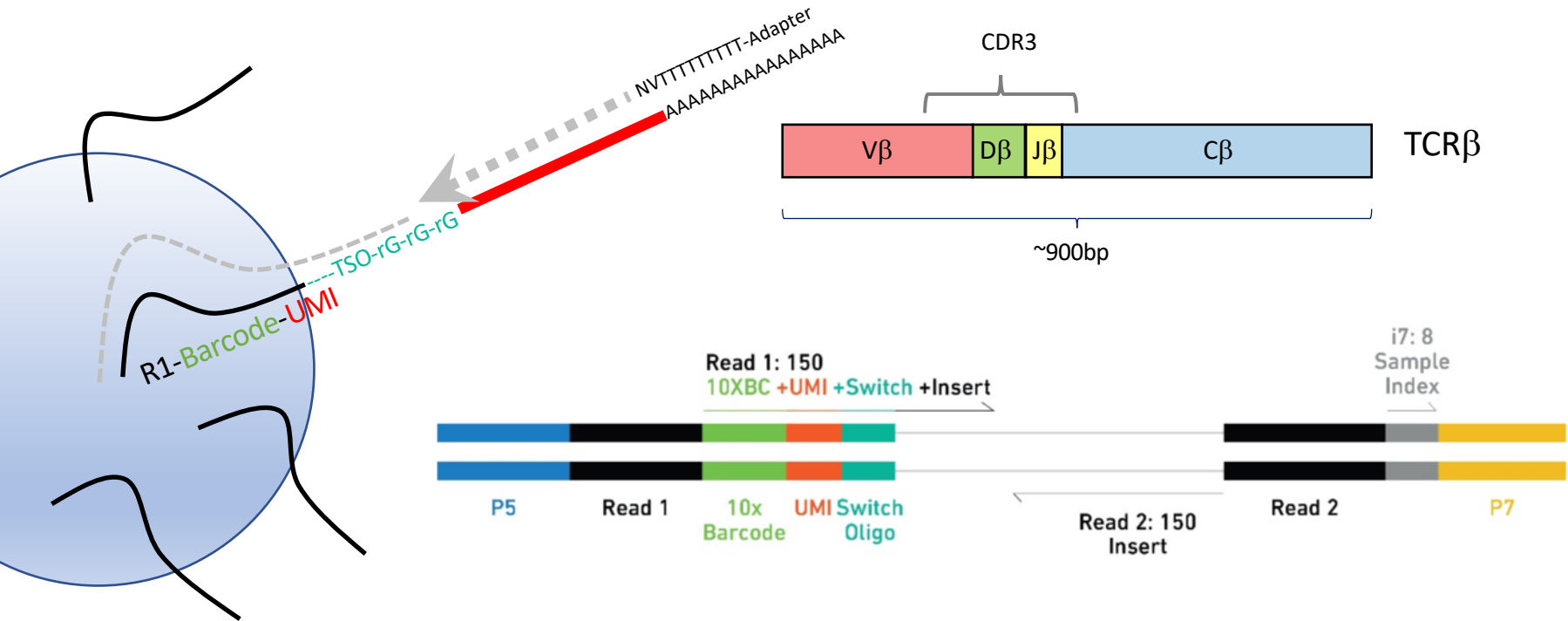




# TCR/BCR Profiling



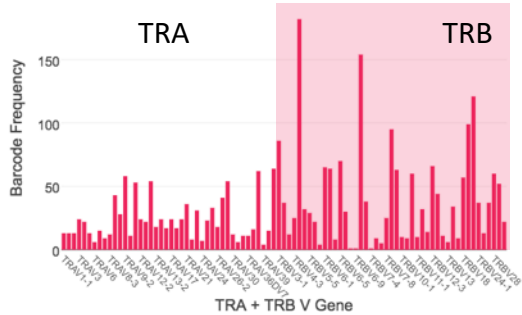
# 5'-Barcoded Libraries



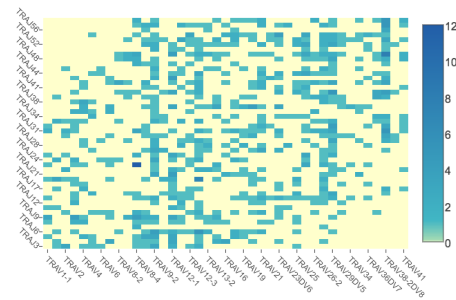
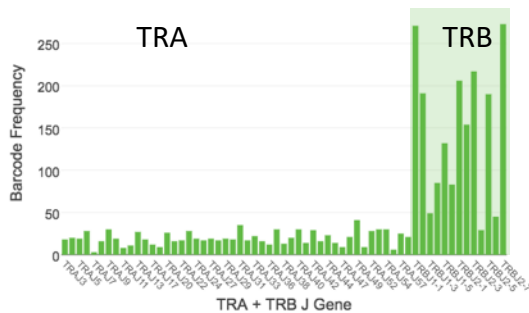
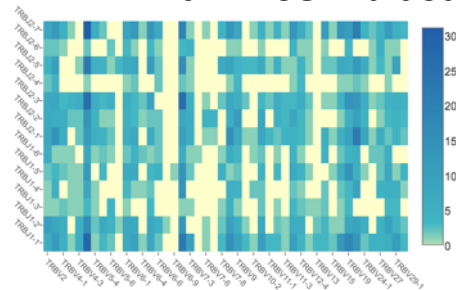
- Problem: standard transcriptome libraries have strong 3'-bias
- CDR3 mapping requires 5'-Barcoded library
- Random fragmentation to sample different 3'-ends of reads
- Require much longer reads (300bp) at a depth of 5,000X / cell

# 10X VDJ output example

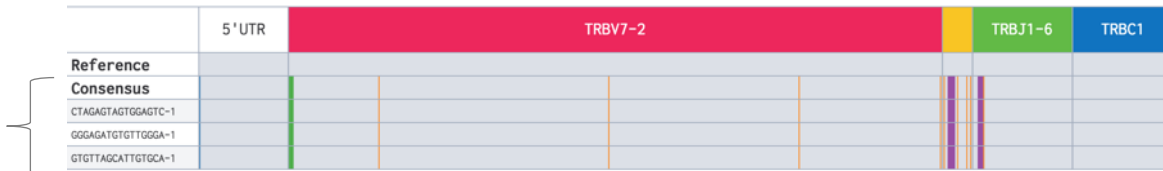
Individual V / J usage



Pairwise V-J usage



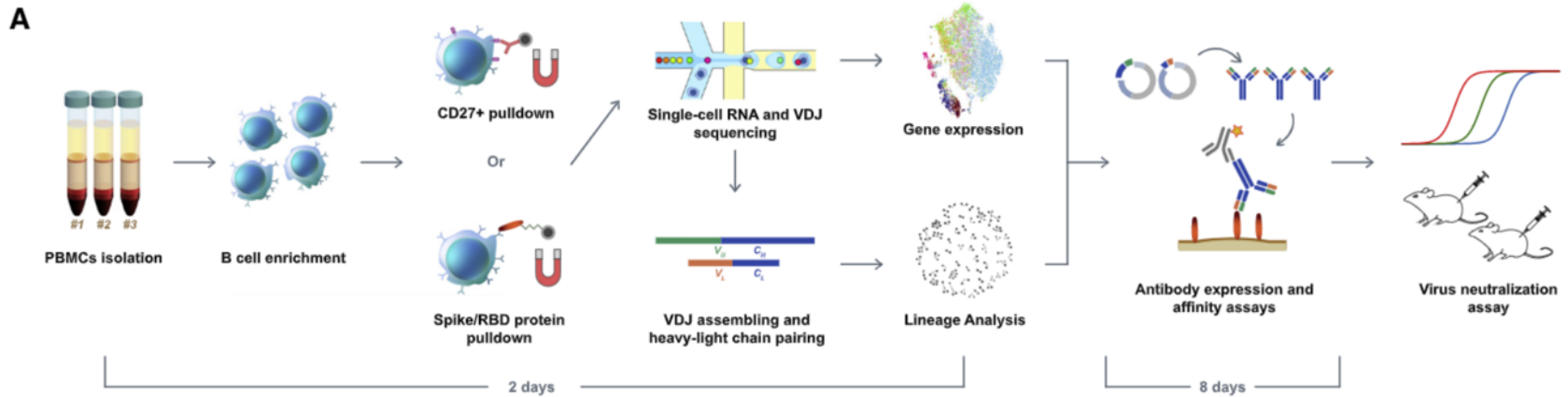
Independent T-cells

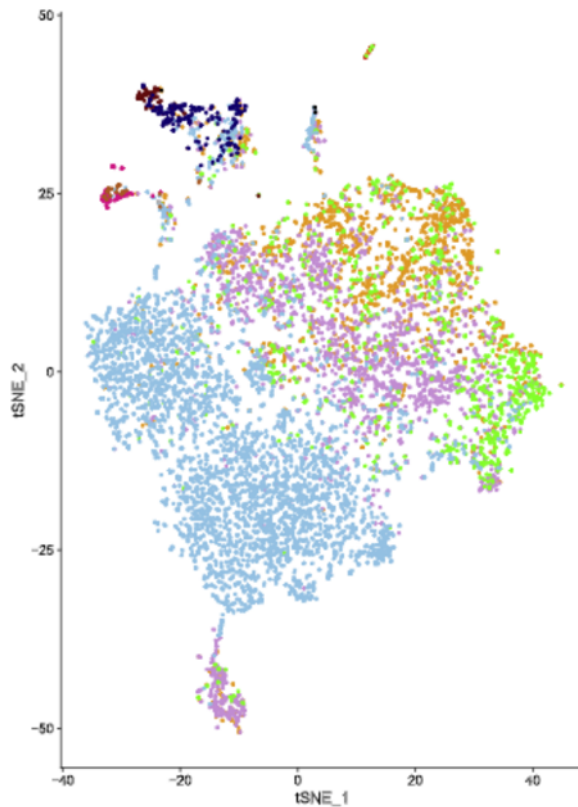
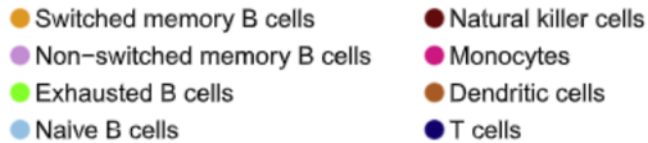


Example Rearranged TCR beta chain

**CDR3** AA: CASRRGGGKTYEQYF  
 NT: TGTGCCAGCCGCCGGGGCGGGGGAAAACCTACGAGCAGTACTTC

# Potent Neutralizing Antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 Identified by High-Throughput Single-Cell Sequencing of Convalescent Patients' B Cells





## Rapid Filter for Neutralizing antibody candidates:

### VDJ sequencing:

1. Select only IgG1 isotypes
2. Clones with multiple observed cells
3. Clones with somatic hypermutation

### Gene expression analysis

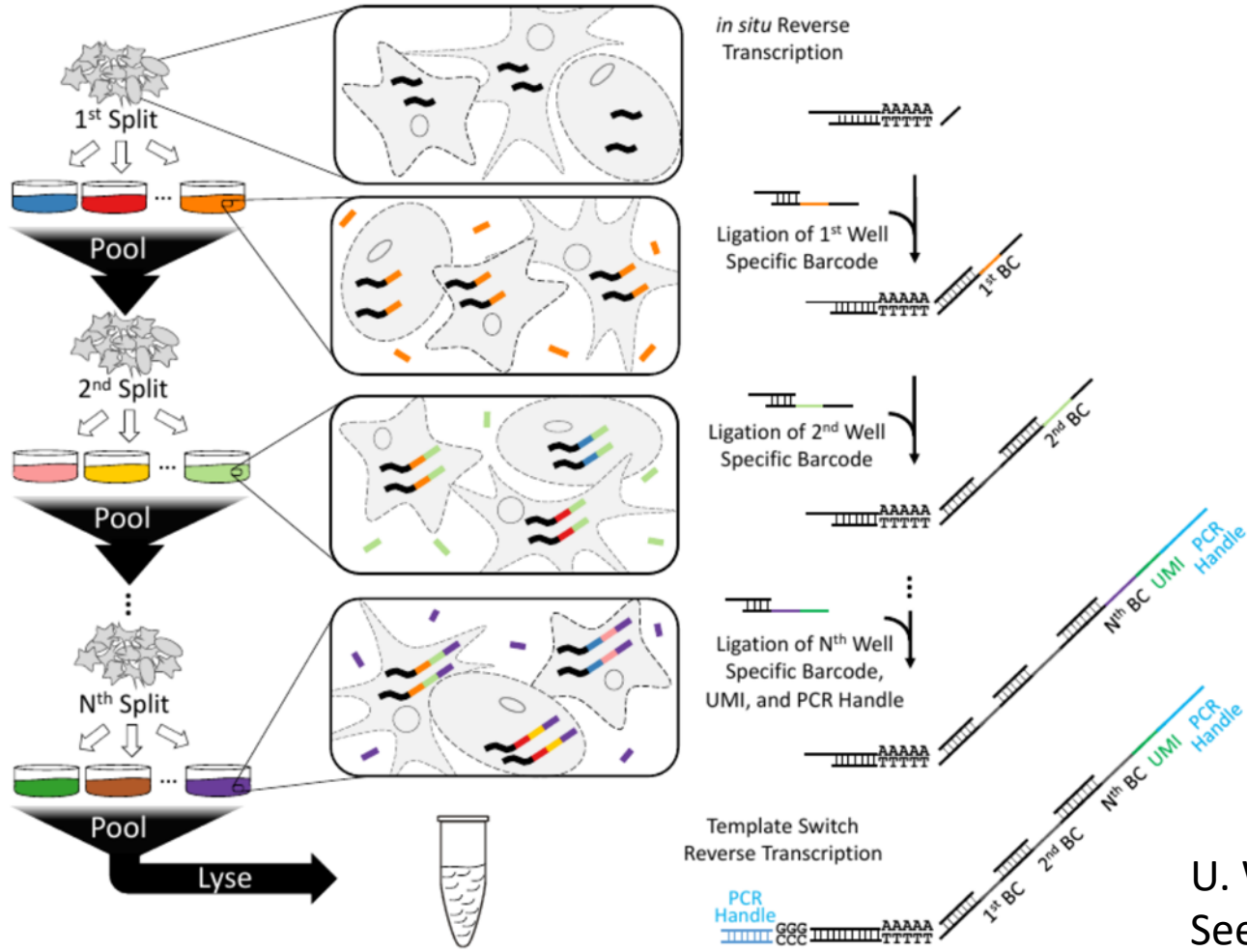
1. Exclude exhausted and naïve phenotypes
2. Favor memory and plasma phenotypes



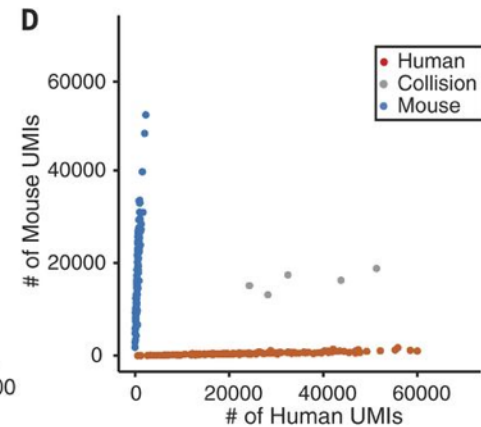
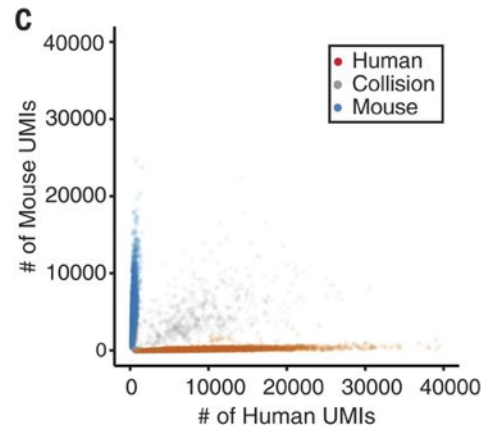
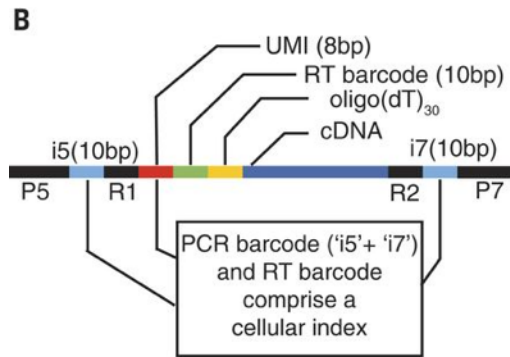
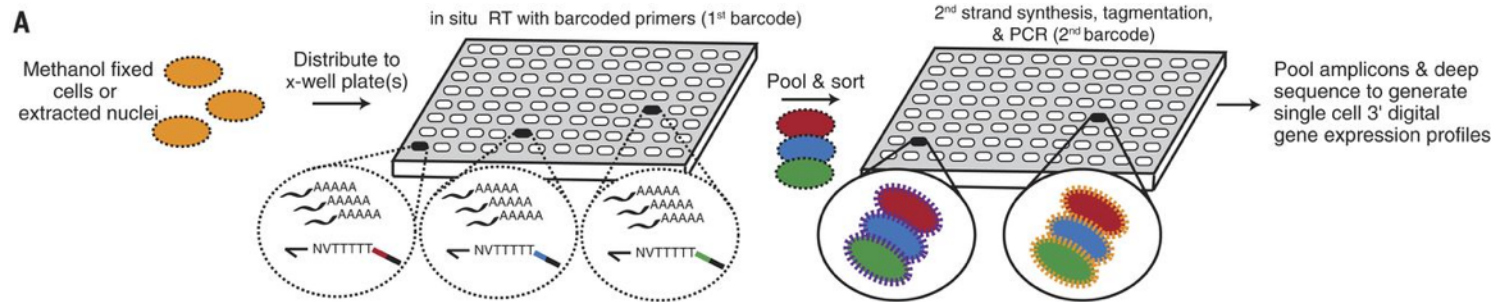
Other high-throughput platforms

# Combinatorial Indexing

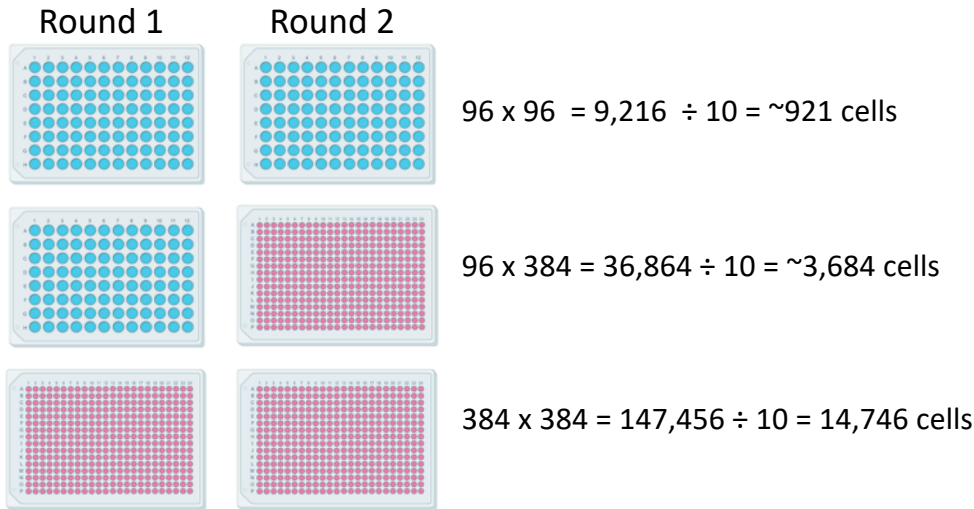
## Split-Seq



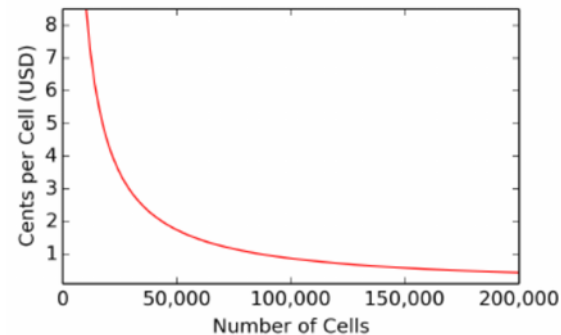
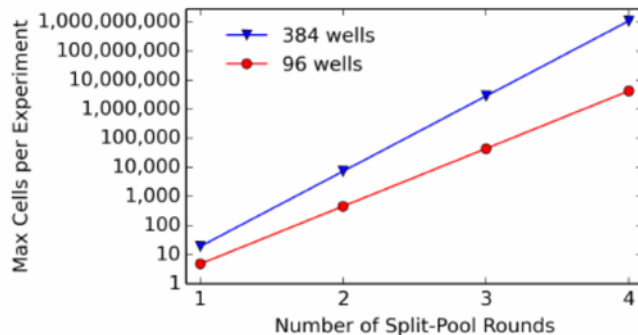
# Combinatorial Indexing sci-Seq



# Combinatorial Scaling





- To avoid random sampling of same barcode combinations, use  $\sim 10\%$  of total theoretical combinations as input



Enormously scalable  
Can achieve <\$0.01 per cell

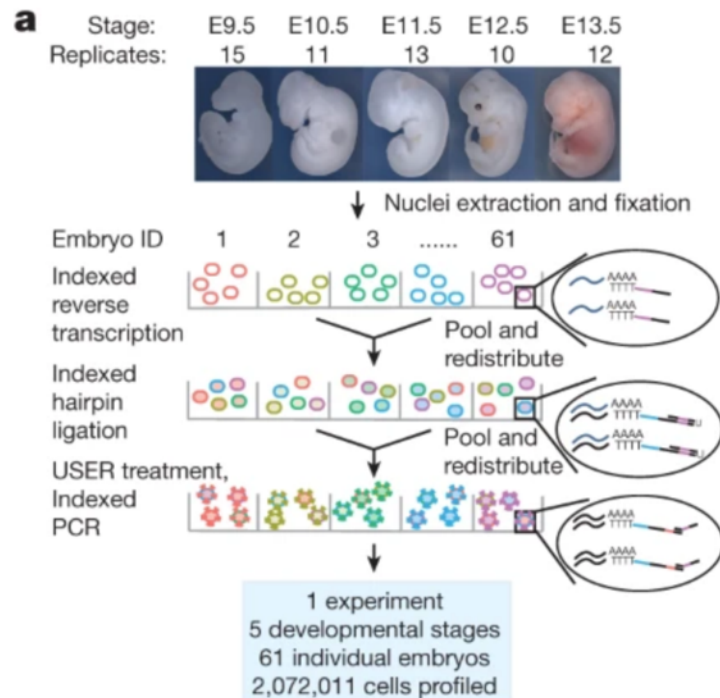
Labor intensive  
Significant 'boot-up' cost  
Significant validation cost  
*Who can afford that much sequencing, anyway?*

# The single-cell transcriptional landscape of mammalian organogenesis

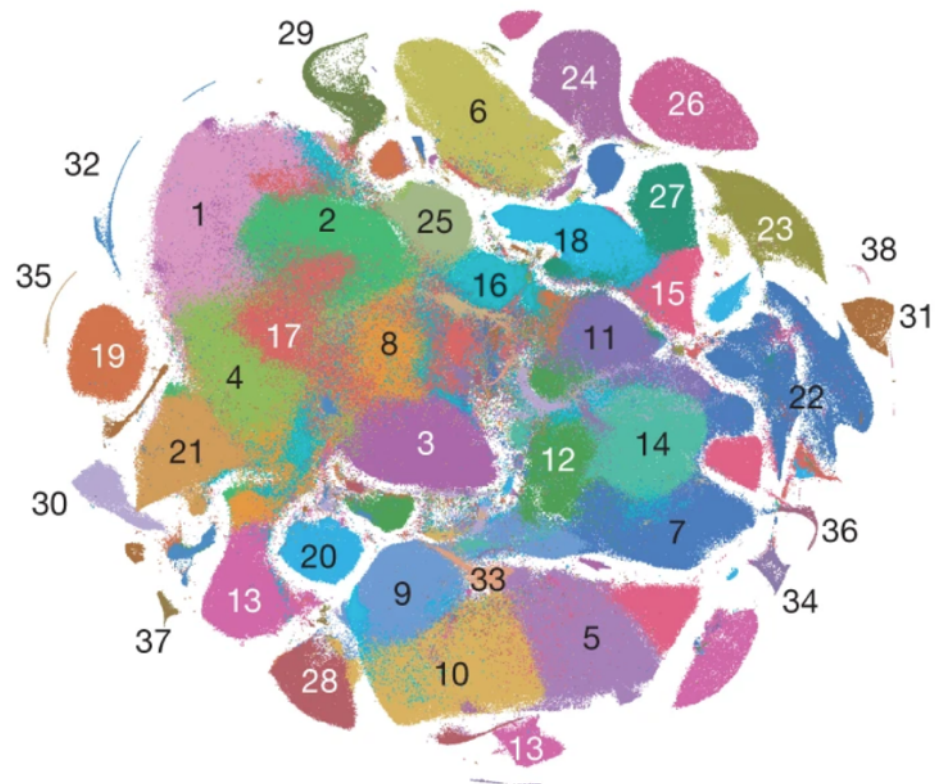
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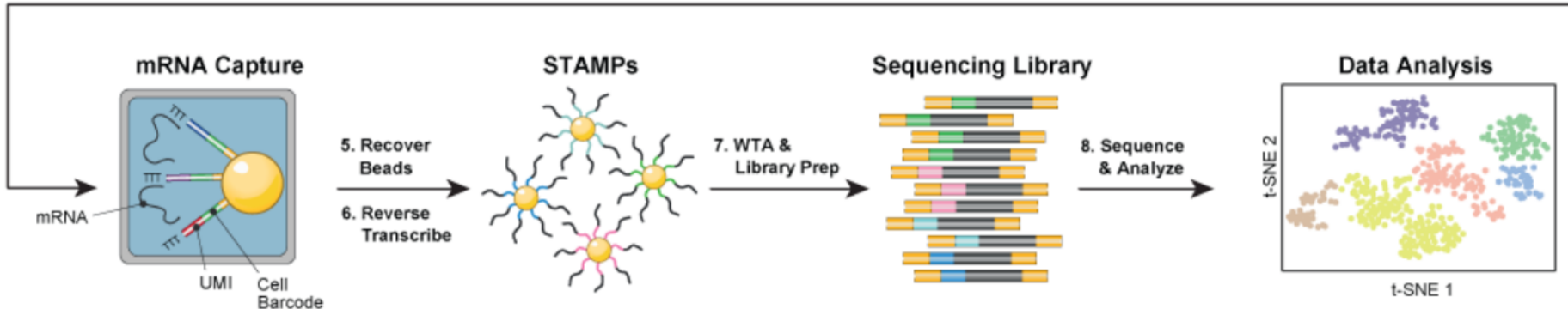
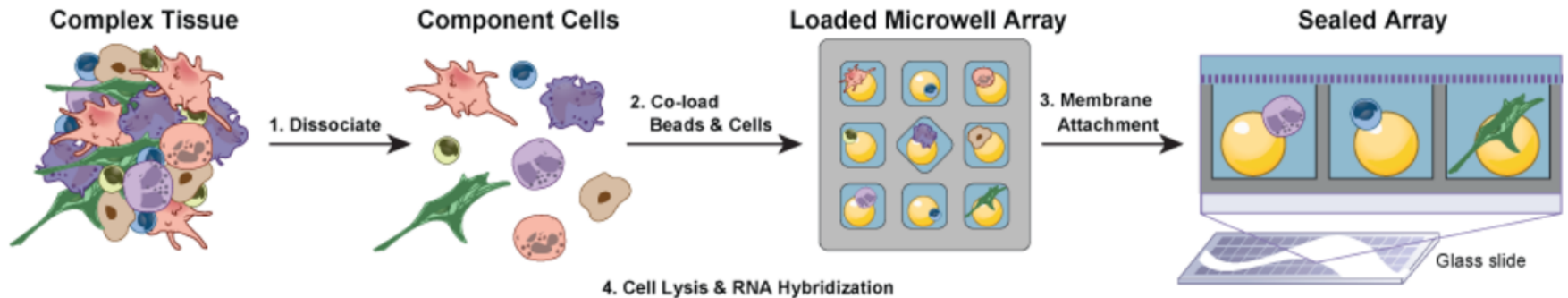
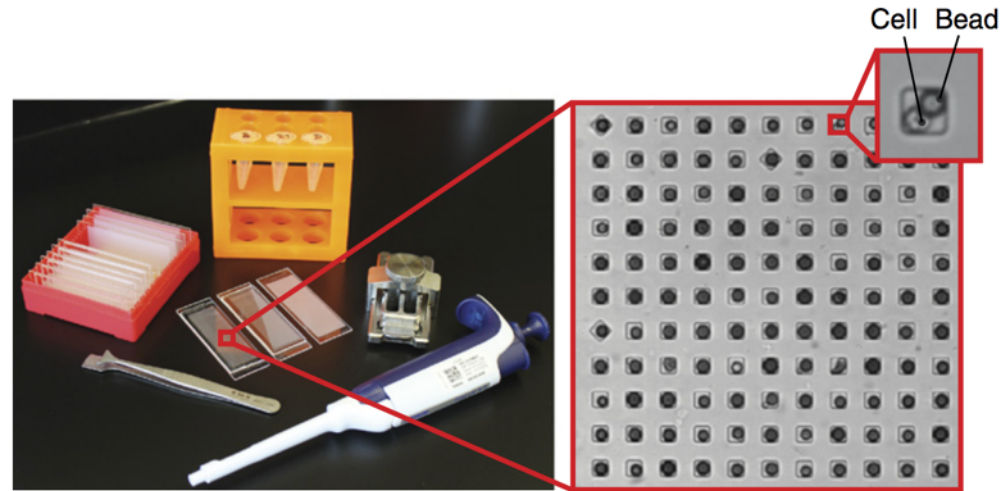
## Mouse embryonic development



2,058,652 single-cell transcriptomes

# Seq-Well

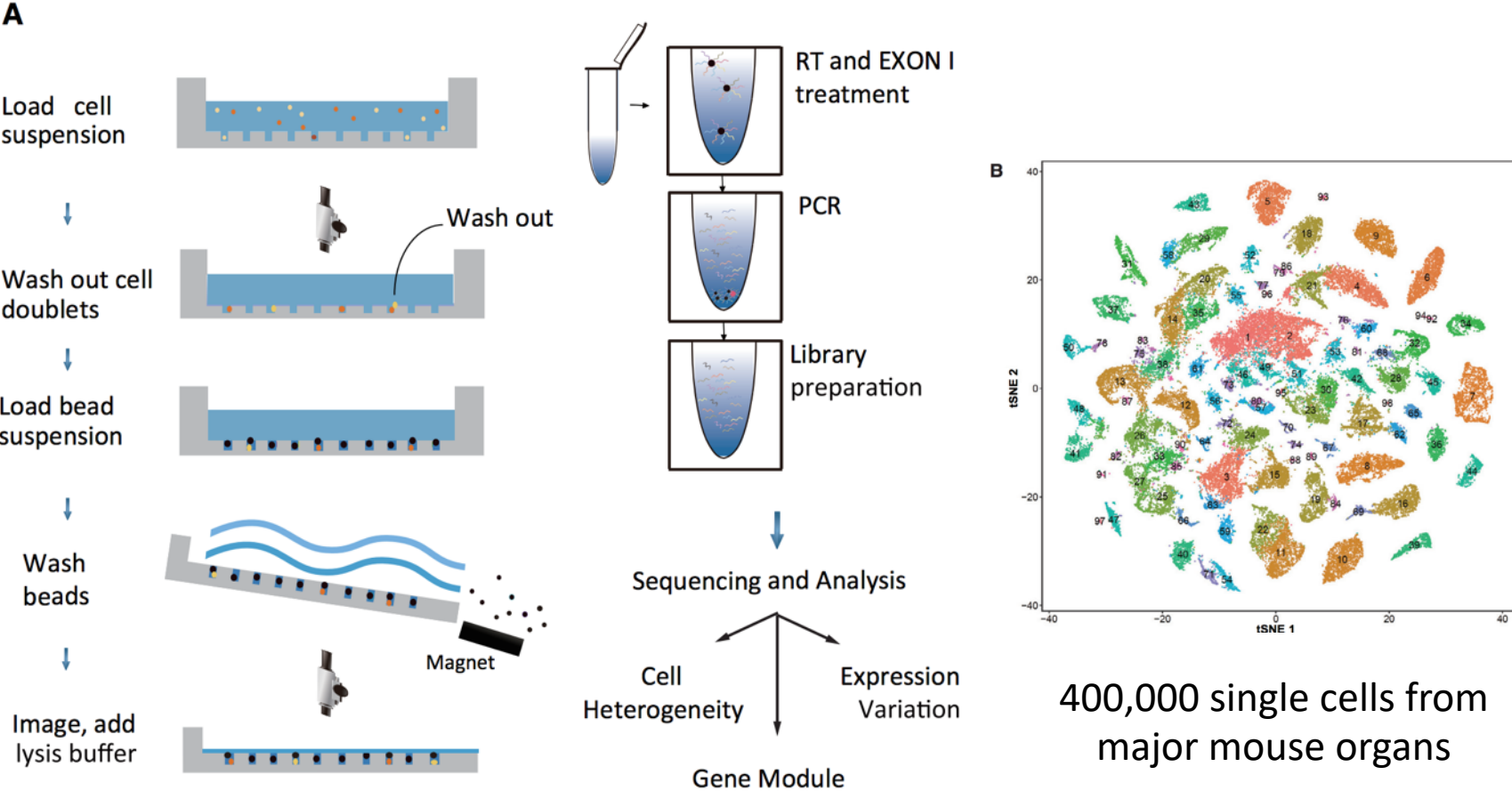
PDMS array of ~86,000 subnanoliter wells  
Sized to fit 1 bead per well  
Drop-Seq style barcoded beads  
Sealed chamber for each cell





# Mapping the Mouse Cell Atlas by Microwell-Seq

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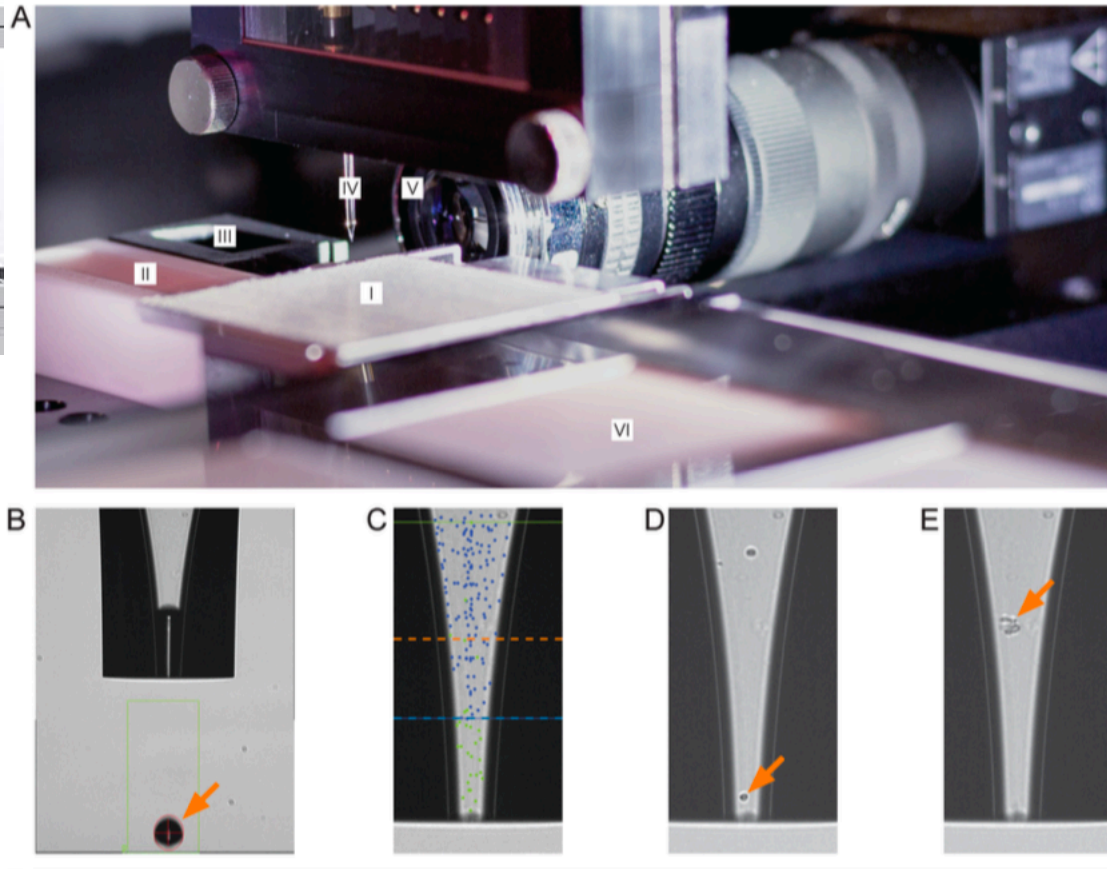
# Array-based formats



Cell / reagent arrayers

Eg. Scienion sciFlexarray  
Scienion cellenONE

Custom workflows  
Imaging-based sorting / rejection



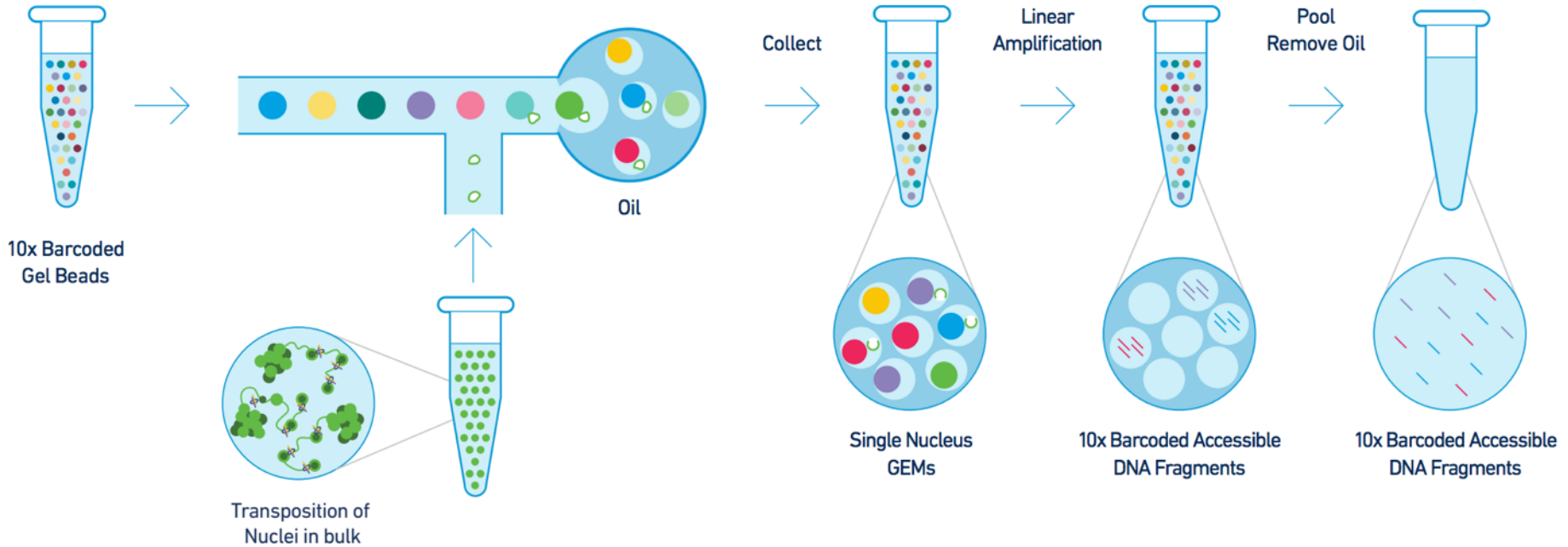
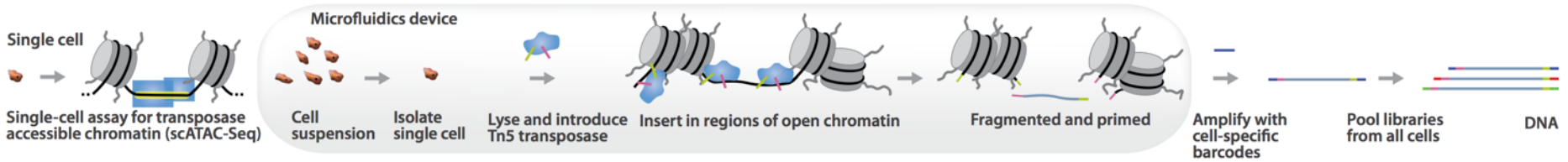




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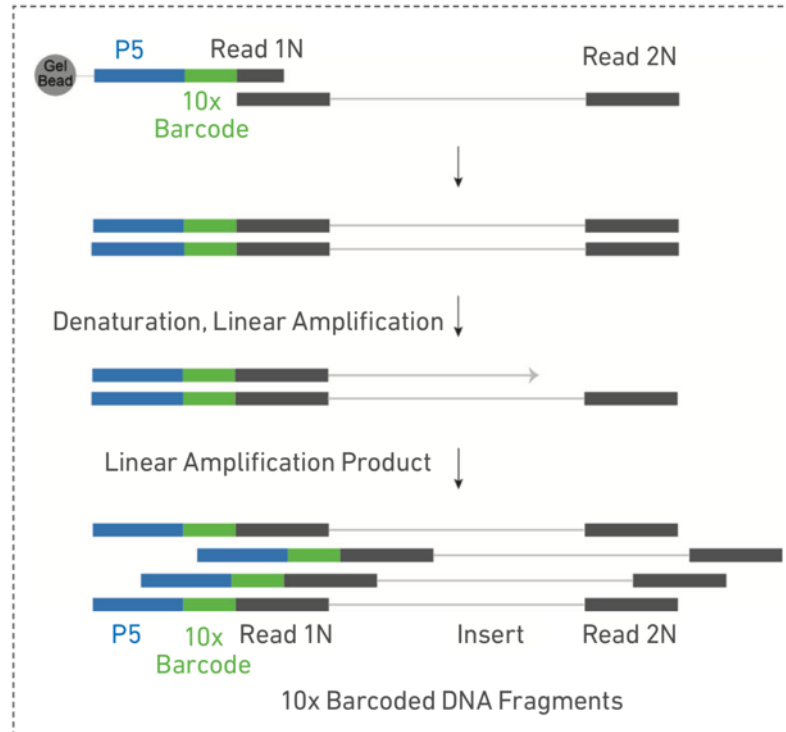
The Other  
Nucleic Acid

# 10X Genomics Single Cell ATAC

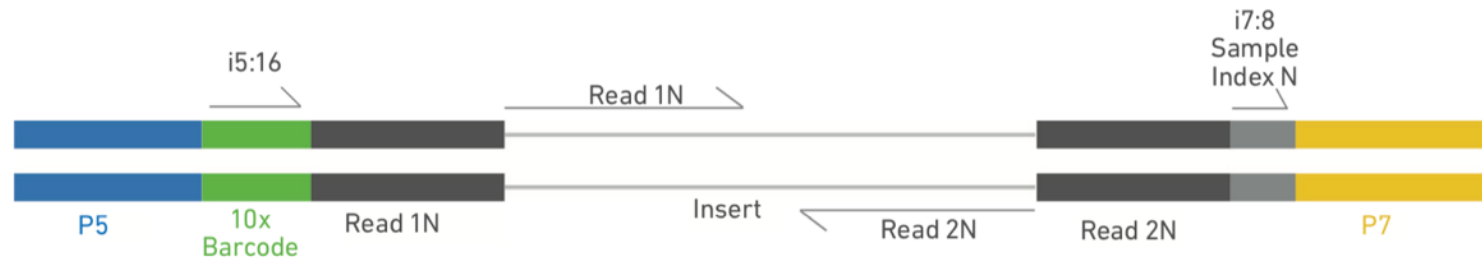


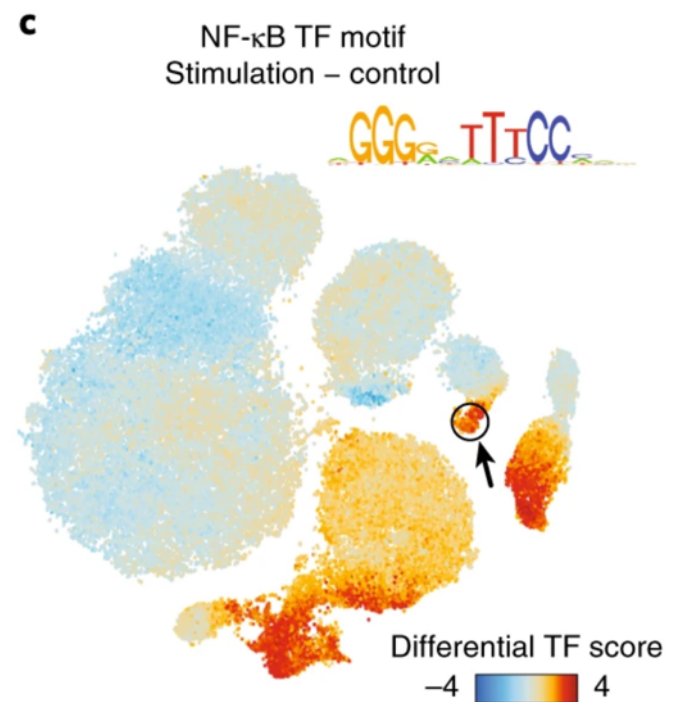
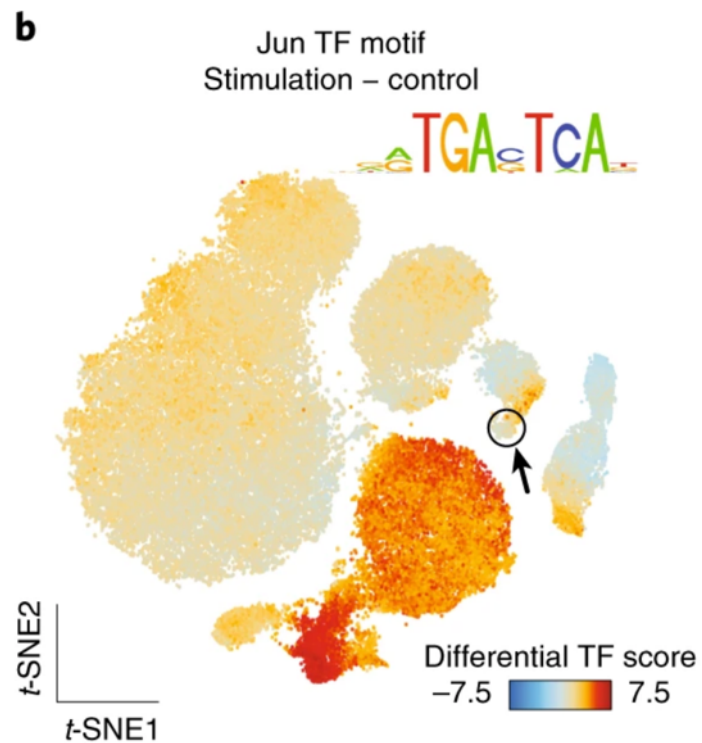
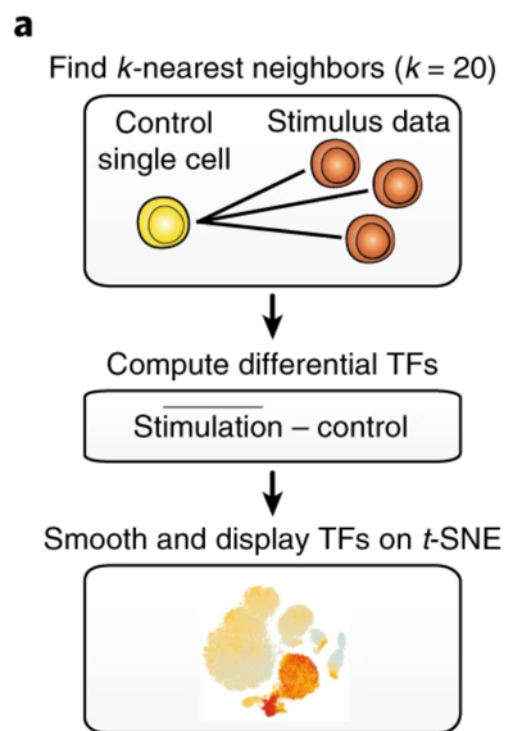
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Inside Individual GEMs



Chromium Single Cell ATAC Library

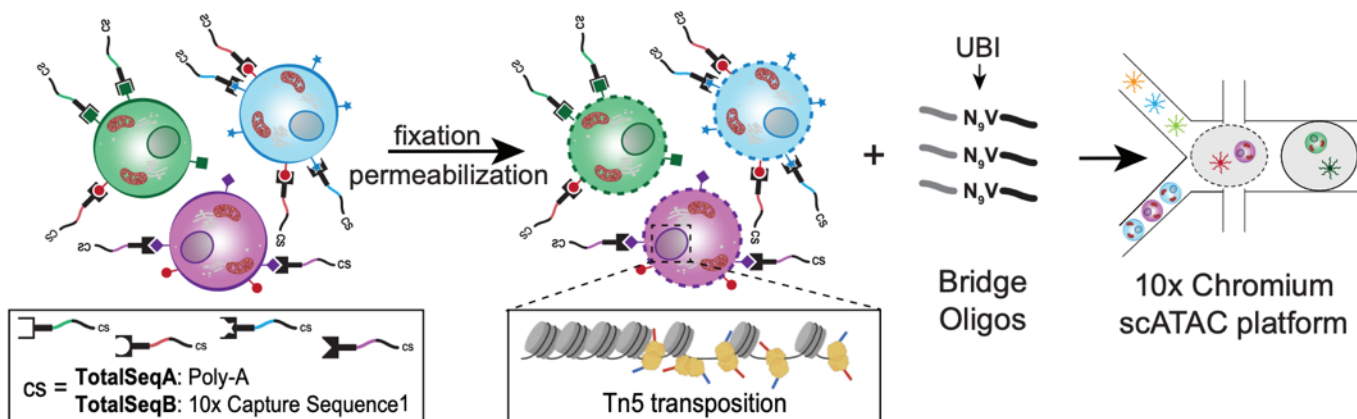




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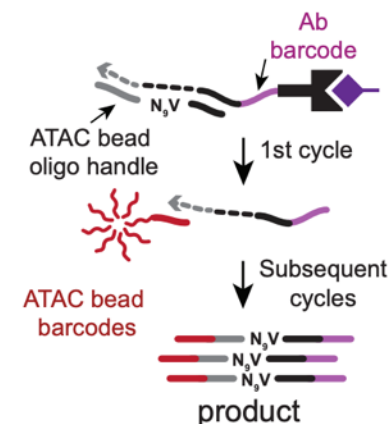
**a**

ASAP-seq = ATAC with Select Antigen Profilng by sequencing



**b**

Inside droplets



**b**

I. Annealing of antibody tag with BOA and extension in droplets



II. Annealing of extended antibody tag with barcoded oligo



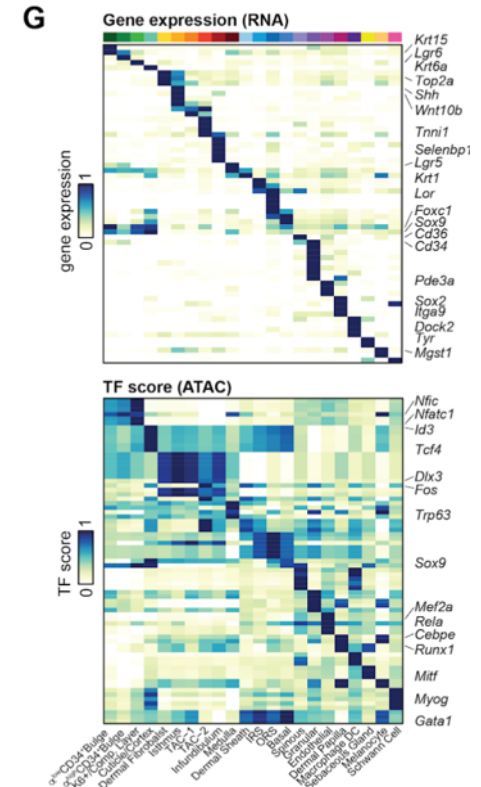
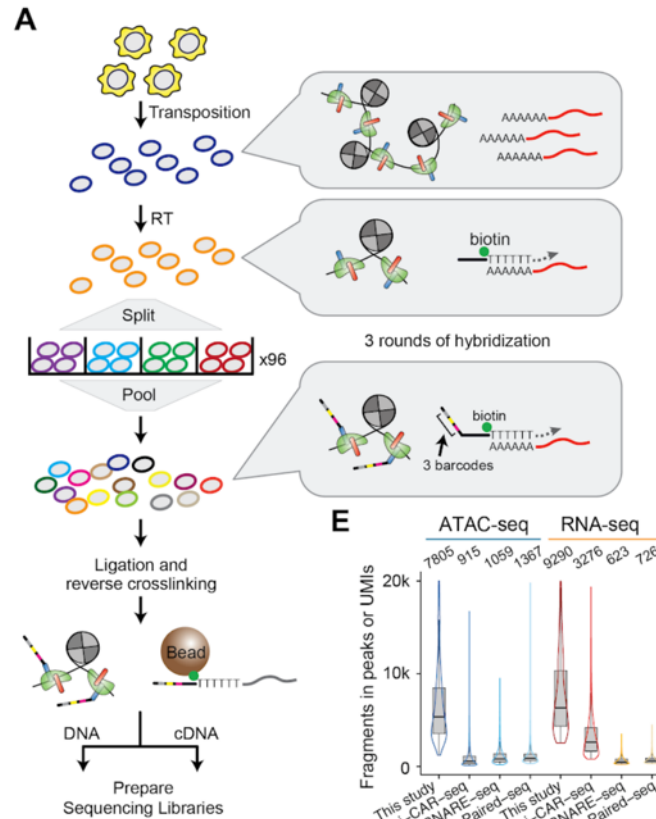
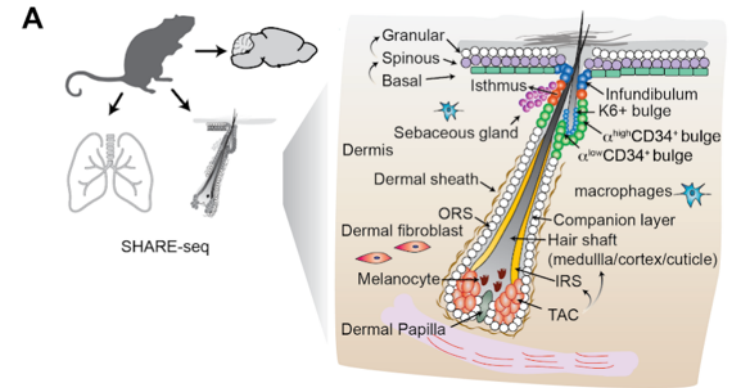
III. Extension of barcoded oligo and amplification for ≤11 cycles





# SHARE-Seq

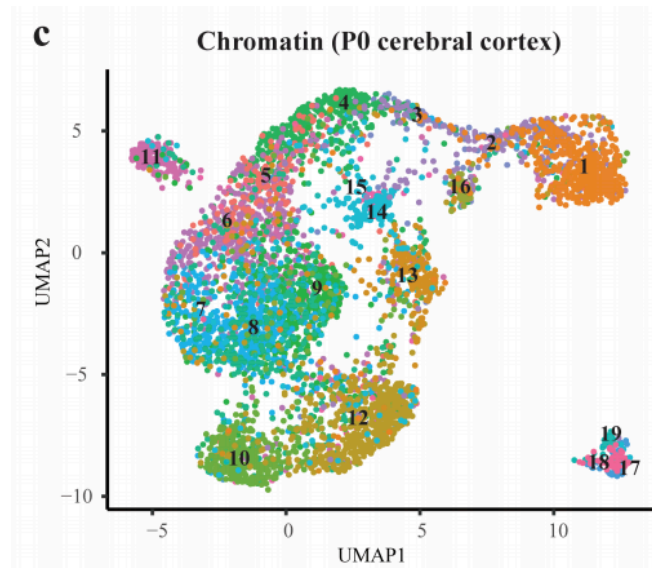
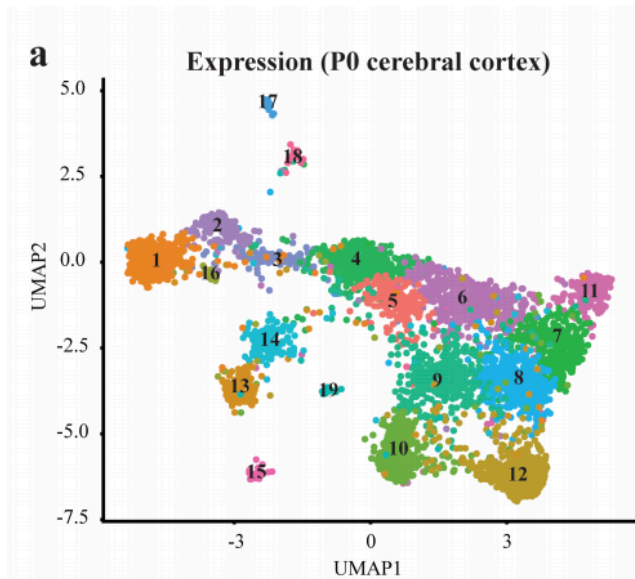
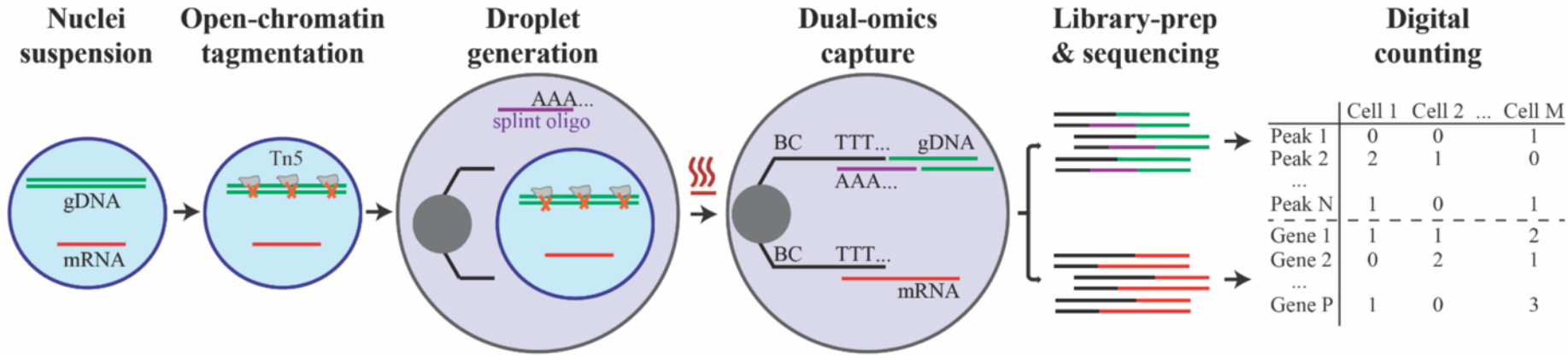
- Same-cell scRNA/ATAC
- Combinatorial split-pool barcoding of adapters





# SNARE-seq

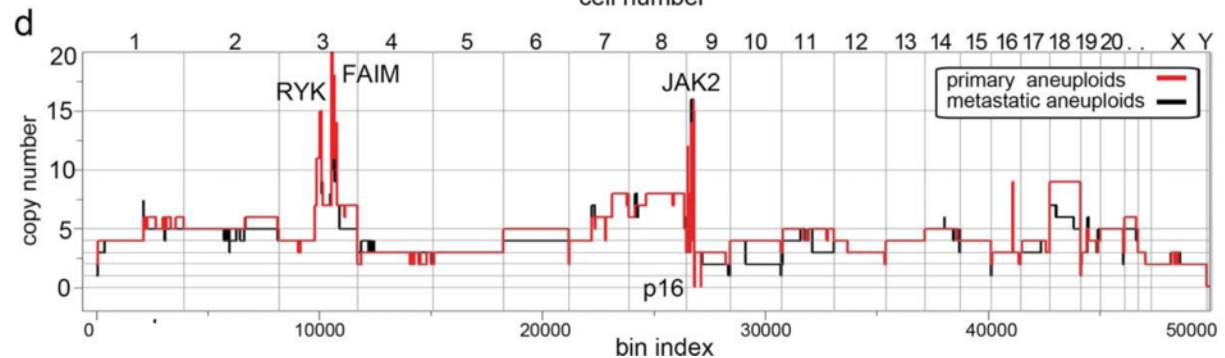
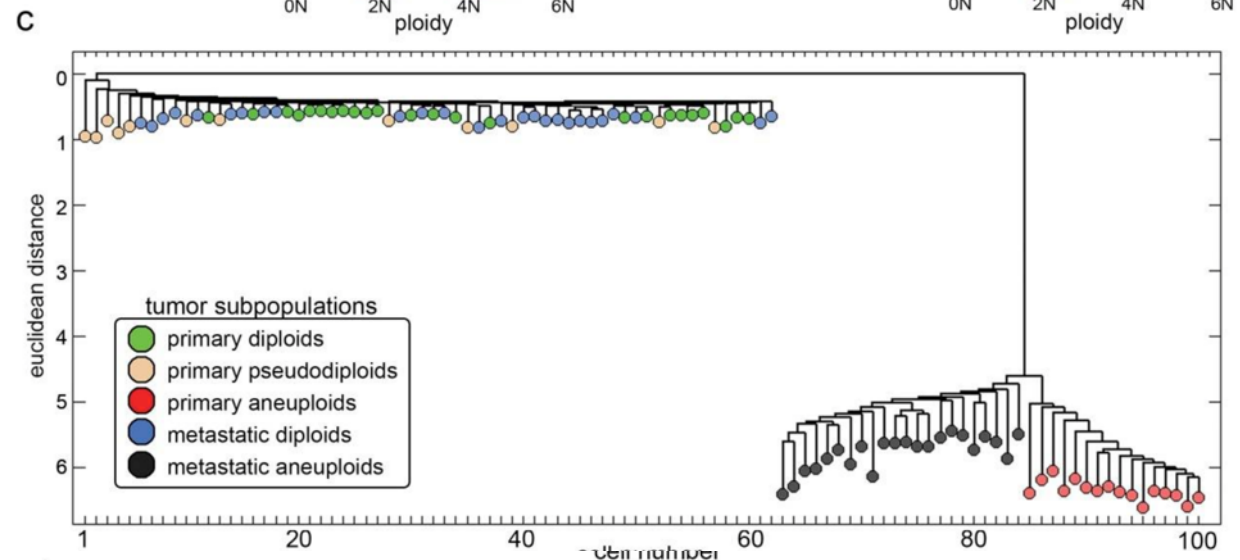
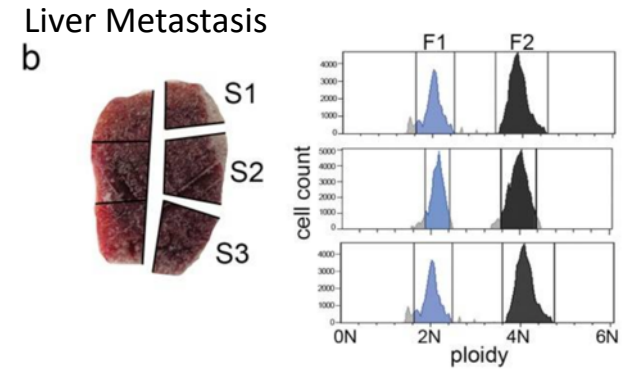
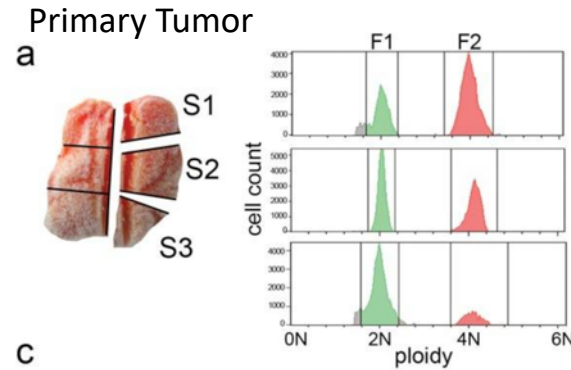
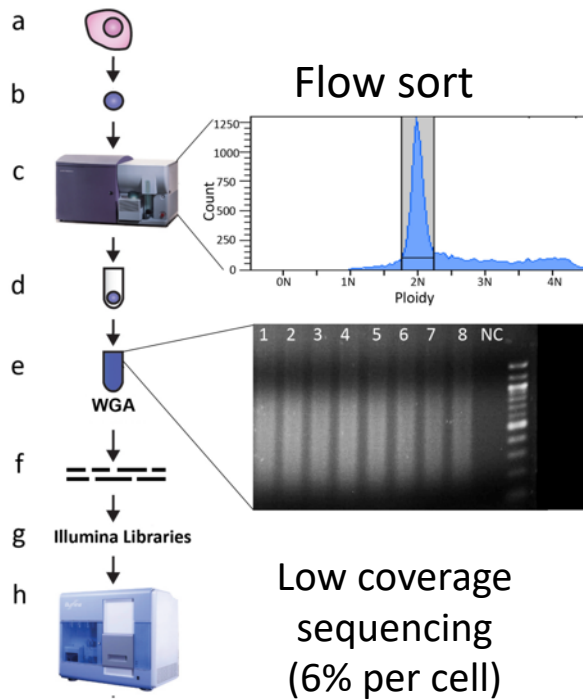
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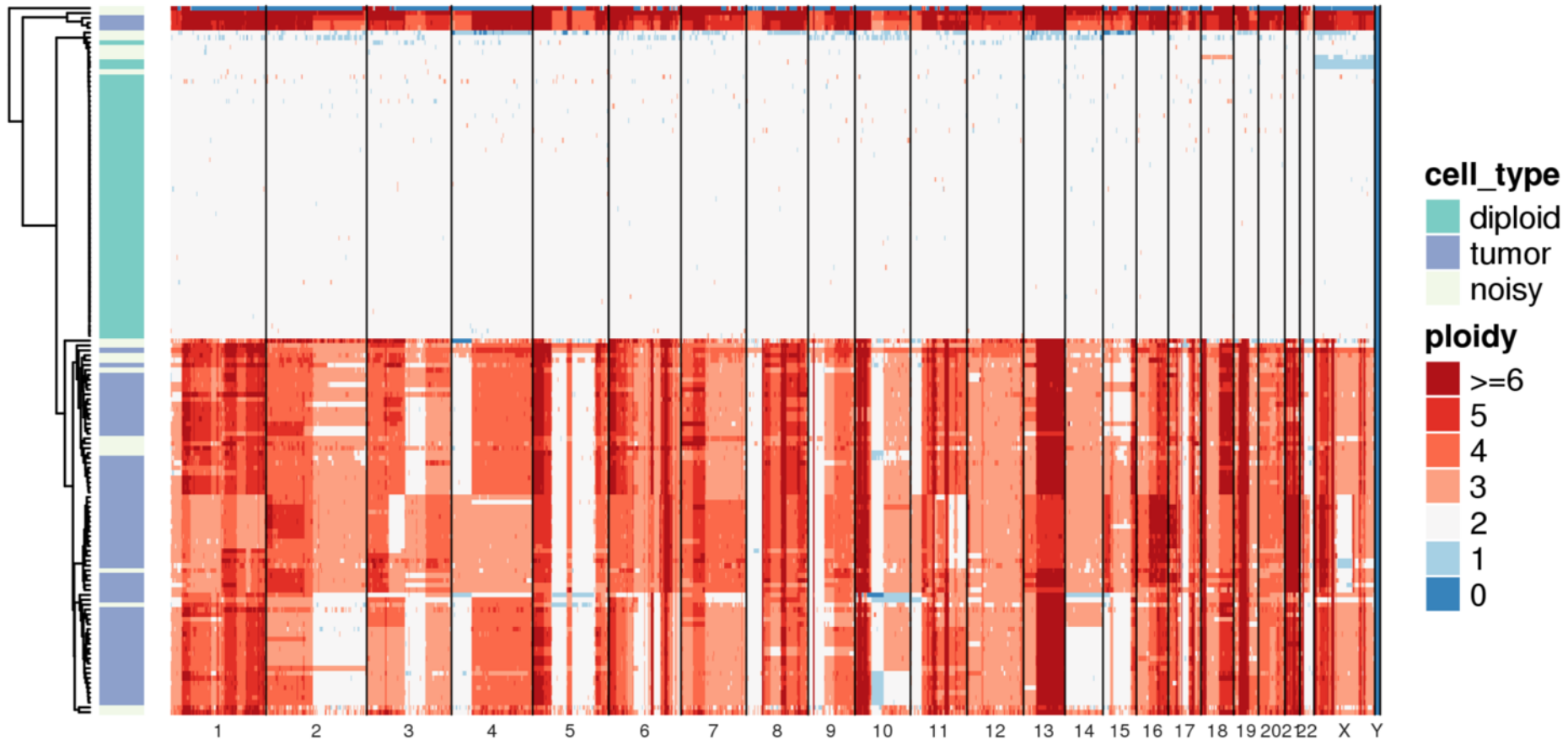


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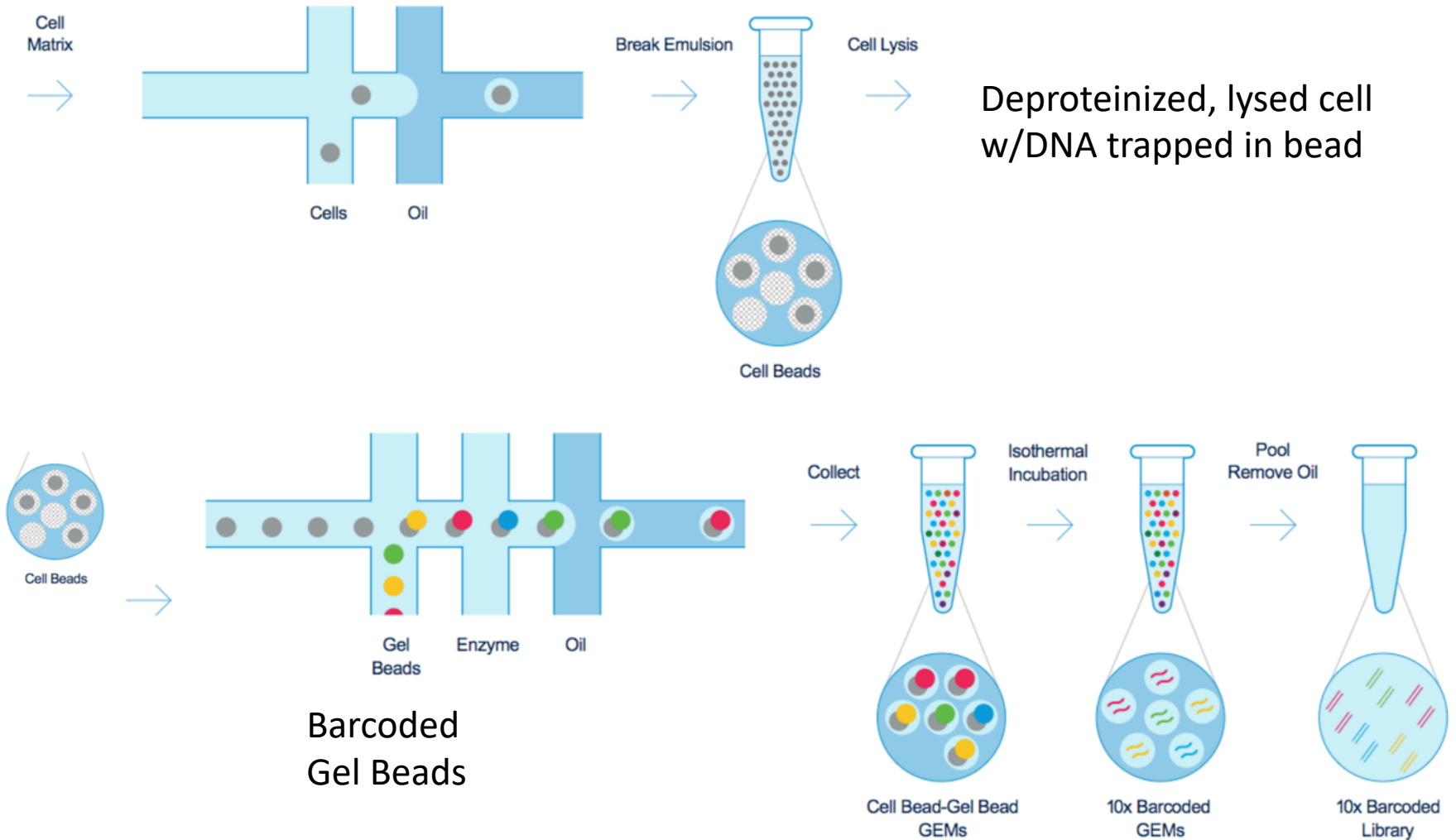
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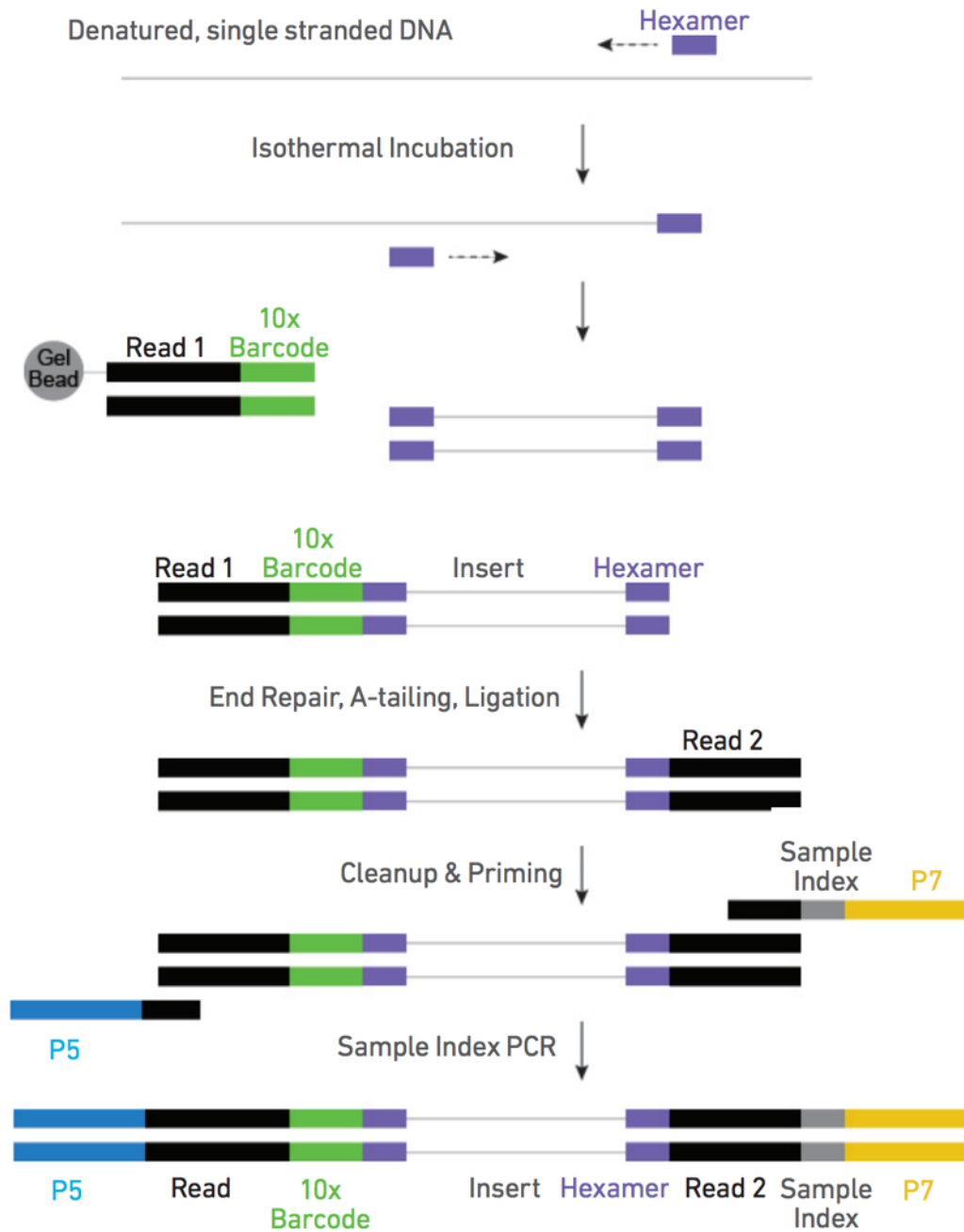


# Droplet-based Single Cell CNV



# Droplet-based Single Cell CNV

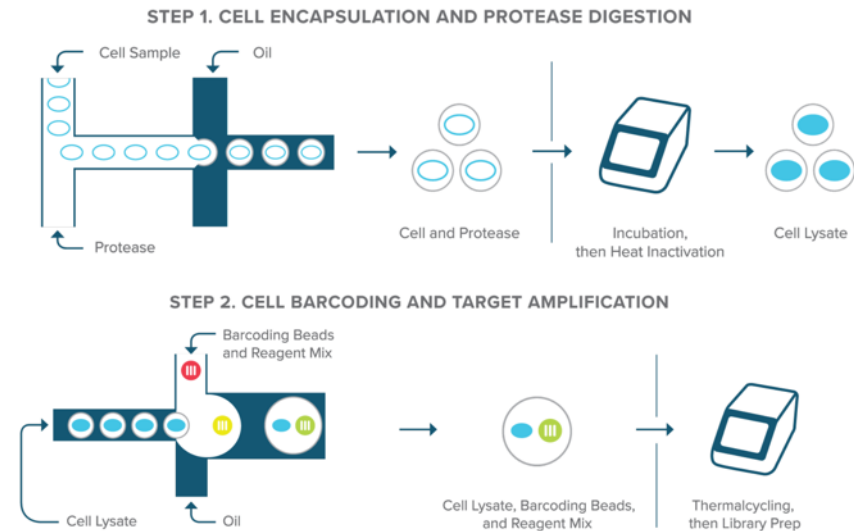




# Mission Bio Tapestri

DNA-focused microfluidic platform

For SNV & CNV



# Mission Bio Tapestri

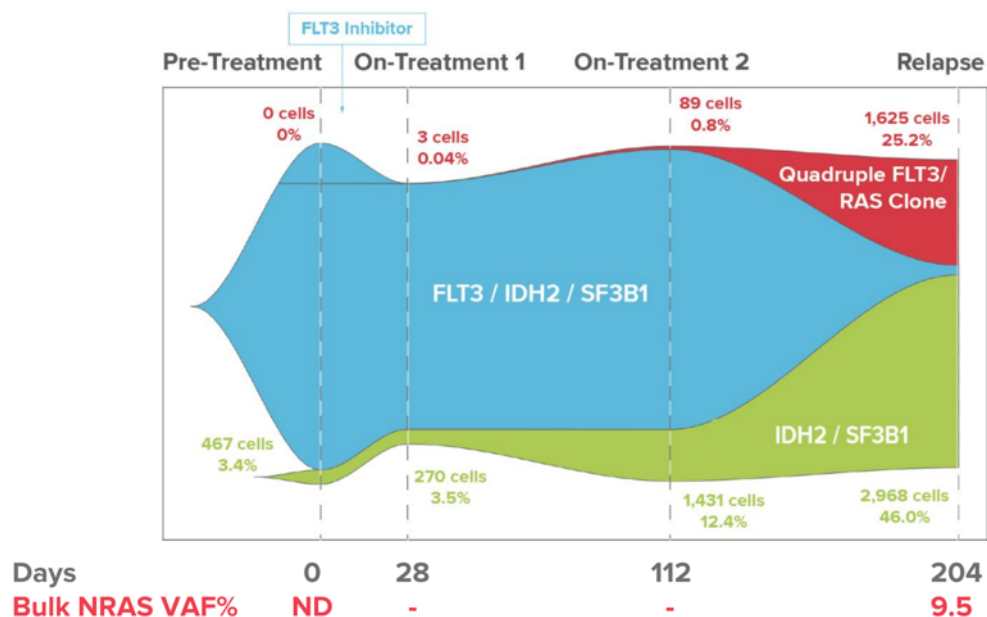
## 59 GENES - TUMOR HOTSPOT PANEL

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ALK	DDR2	FGFR3	JAK2	MTOR	SMAD4
APC	EGFR	FLT3	JAK3	NOTCH1	SMARCB1
AR	ERBB2	GNA11	KDR	NRAS	SMO
ATM	ERBB3	GNAQ	KIT	PDGFRA	SRC
BRAF	ERBB4	GNAS	KRAS	PIK3CA	STK11
CDH1	ESR1	HNF1A	MAP2K1	PTEN	TP53
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## 45-GENE MYELOID PANEL

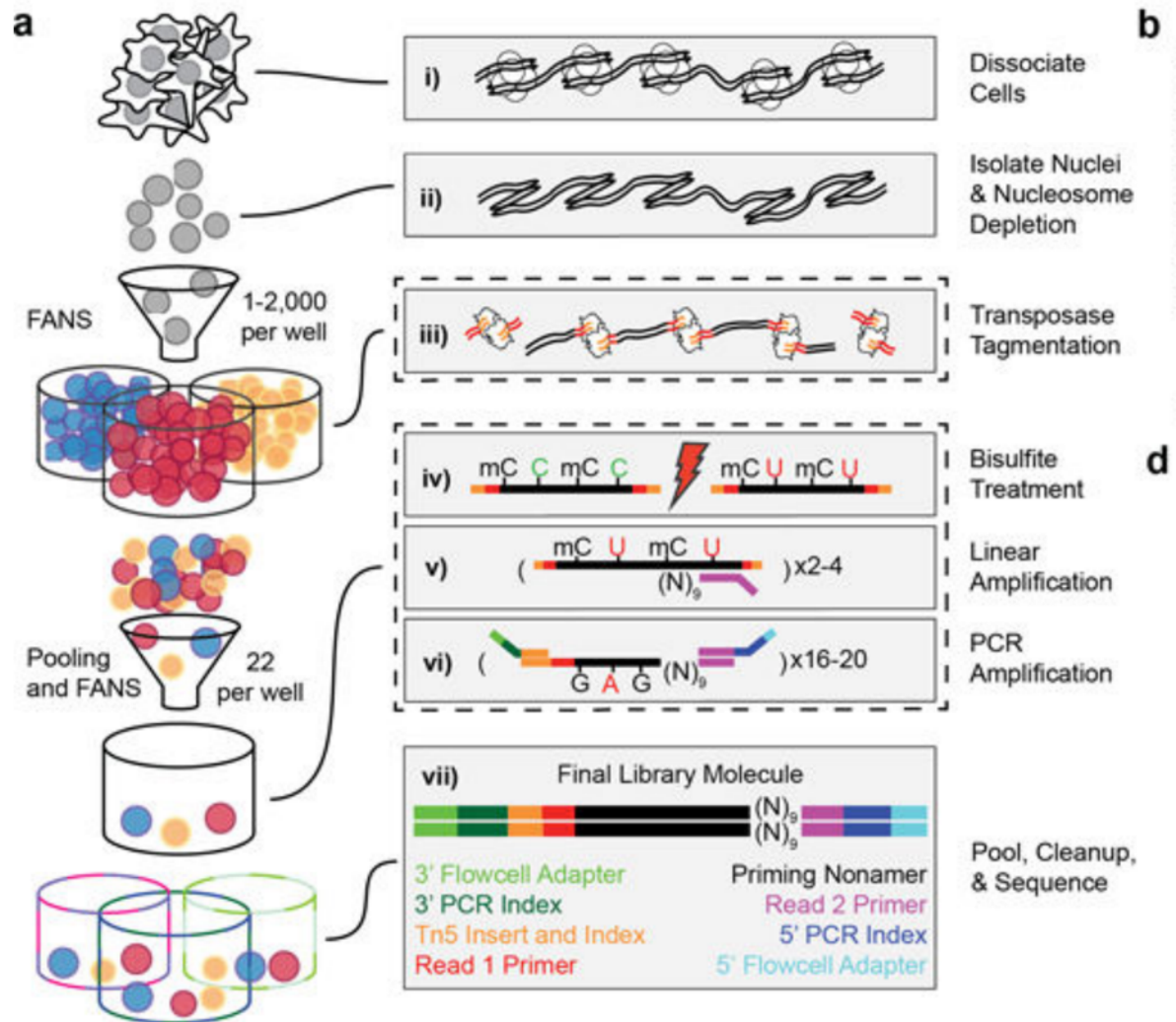
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ATM	ETV6	KIT	PHF6	SMC3
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CALR	GATA2	MPL	PTPN11	TET2
CBL	GNAS	MYC	RAD21	TP53
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## Clonal Architecture Resolved Over Time



# Other Omics

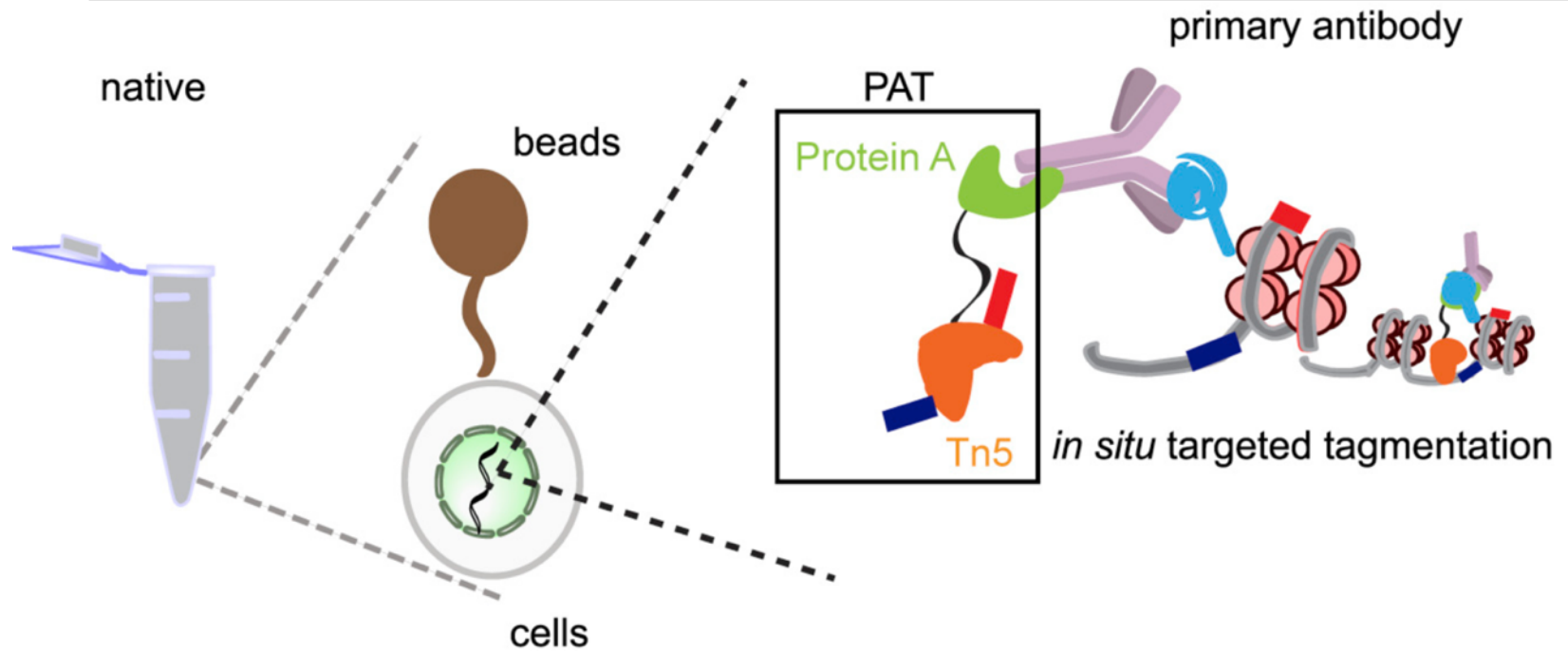
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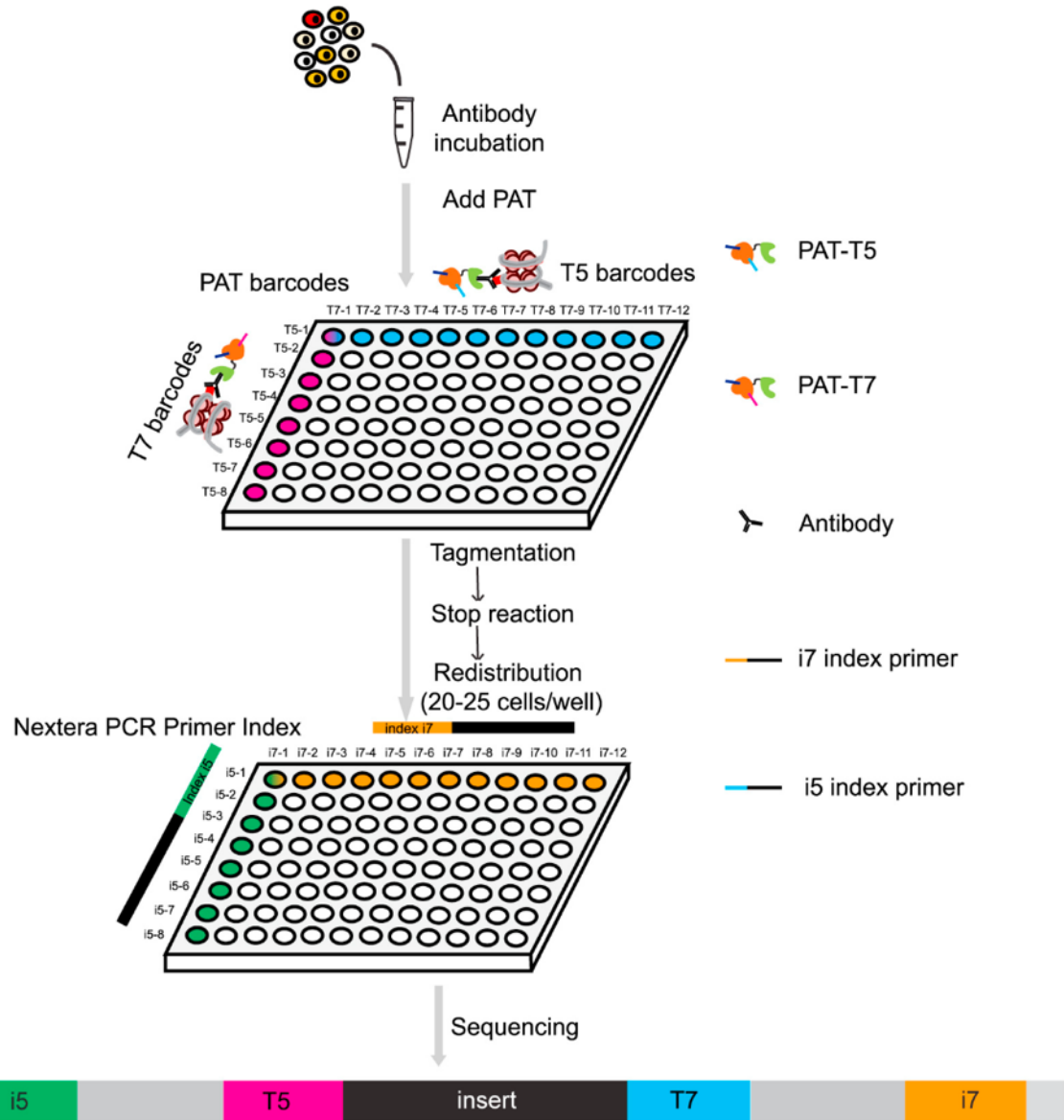


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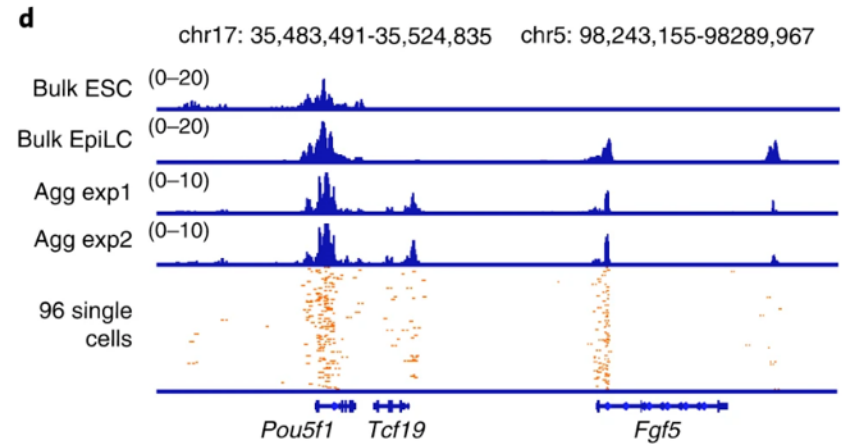
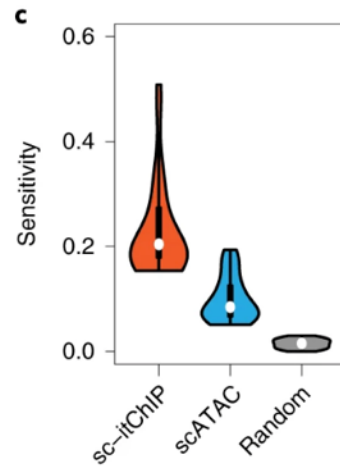
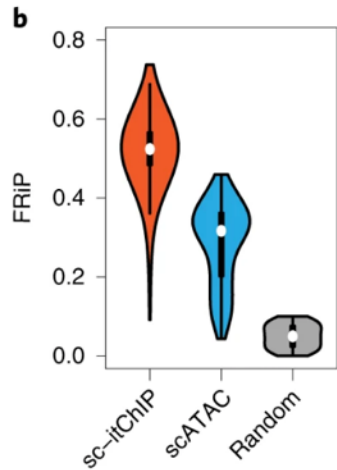
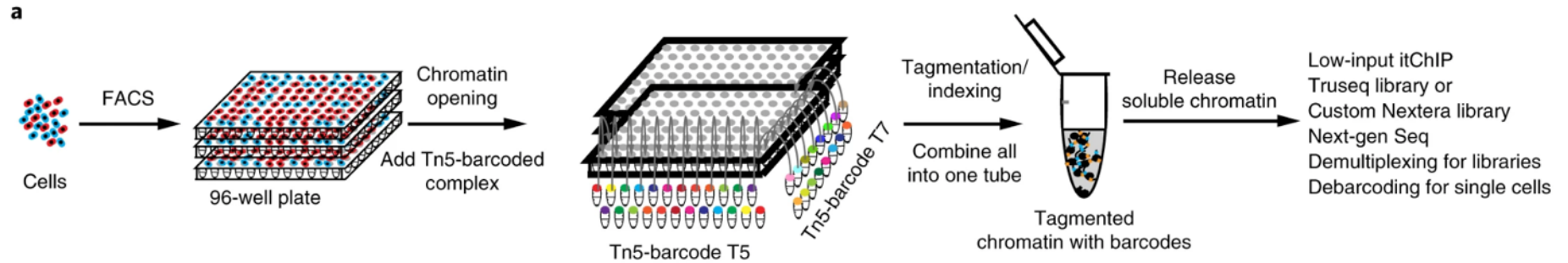
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# Sequencing Costs

	RNA-seq	ATAC-seq	CNV
Reads per Cell	50-100k	50-100k	750k+
Cells per Experiment	2,000 – 10,000	2,000 – 10,000	1,000-2,000
Sequencing Platform Min.	NextSeq HO	NextSeq HO	NovaSeq S1
Cost per Experiment	~\$2,500	~\$2,800	\$12,000

