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ICELL8 Single-Cell System

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Next-Gen Sequencing



SMART-Seq v4 Ultra Low Input RNA Kit



- Can work directly with cells (1-1000) or total RNA (10pg-10ng)
- Oligo dT-primed. No rRNA removal, no DNAse treatment required
- Single tube workflow.
- Generates full-length cDNA compatible with Ion Torrent or Illumina[®] library preparation



PicoPLEX DNA-seq Kit



PicoPLEX WGA Kit Technology

Cells are lysed, quasi-random primers pre-amplify the DNA selectively, and a final PCR amplification adds the Illumina barcodes.

- Reproducible results from single cells (or <15 pg DNA)
- Superior reproducibility of allele representation
- Easy to use and automate
- Unambiguous results at all resolutions, microarray, and PCR

SmartChip



SmartChip™

11x 384-well plate

- 100nl reactions less reagents, no pre-amplification
- Accurate, fast & flexible nanoliter-dispensing systems
- Target enrichment, gene expression and genotyping
- Single-cell isolation and processing

Comprehensive Portfolio for NGS Analyses



ICELL8 Single-Cell System



ICELL8 Chips and Reagents Pre-dispensed with 5,184 barcodes



MultiSample NanoDispenser (MSND) Rapid Dispensing of Cells and Reagents



CellSelect Software Choose Specific Cells of Interest

Issue #1: Power



- Single Cell Genomics results in increased sensitivity to detect low frequency changes that are lost in averaged measurements
- Oncology, developmental biology, stem cell research, immunology, neurology etc.

ICELL8: 1800 Cells of Any Type



- Isolate more single cells per run
- Analyze cells of any size with unbiased cell isolation

Single-Cell Isolation – Poisson Distribution



Cell Distribution - The probability of a well containing a single cell is dependent on the starting concentration of cells and the reagent dispense rate and volume to the chip. **Poisson Distribution** - The probability of a number of events occurring in a fixed period of time if these events occur with a known average rate and are independent of the time since the last event.





ICELL8 Flexibility

Cell line/type	Specie	Notes	Cell line/type	Specie	Notes
307	Mouse	pancreas	K562	Human	bone marrow lymphoblast, CML
3T3	Mouse	fibroblast	KU812	Human	blood, CML myeloblast
A-20	Mouse	b-lymphocyte	Lung epithelia	Mouse	primary FACS-sorted cells
A-375	Human	melanoma	MCF7	Human	breast
BaF/3	Mouse	pre-B cells	MDA-MB-231	Human	mammary gland
Beta-TC-6	Mouse	pancreas	MIA PaCa-2	Human	pancreas
Bone marrow	Mouse	primary cells	Nasal epithelia	Human	primary nasal scraping
Cardiomyocyte - adult	Mouse	primary cells	NCH421K	Human	glioma/glioblastoma
Chicken	Chicken	unknown	NCH644	Human	glioma/glioblastoma
СНО	Hamster	ovary	Neurons	Mouse	fresh dissection
Differentiated ESC	Mouse	differentiated cells from ESC	Nuclei	Human	frozen lung tumour
Ear	Mouse	inner ear organs	Nuclei	Human	frozen breast cancer
Embryos	Mouse	primary cells	PBMCs	Human	blood
ESC	Mouse	embryonic stem cells	Planaria SC	Planarium	stem cells
FACS-sorted lymphocyte	eHuman	bone marrow	Retina	Mouse	primary cells
Fetal cortex	Human	primary cells	Scheider S2	Drosophila	embryo
Fetal neurons	Human	fetal brain	SK-BR3	Human	breast
Gut cells	Mosquito	gut	Skin	Zebrafish	skin
H2452	Human	lung	Spheroids	Human	MCF10CA-derived
HCT 116	Human	colon	U-87-MG	Human	glioblastoma; astrocytoma
HEK-293	Human	kidney embryo	UTHSC	Human	bone marrow EW-8 Ewing Sarcoma
HSPC	Mouse	hematopoietic stem cells	Z-138	Human	B-cell lymphoma

Isolate Cells of Any Size





Freshly-isolated mouse cardiomyocyte



Courtesy of MPI for Heart and Lung Research

Power is Nothing Without Control



- Automated chip scanning (12 minutes total time)
- Automated identification of single-cell containing wells
- Tuneable selection to meet cell-specific parameters
- Phenotypic selection of cells of interest
- Optional down-selection to reduce sequencing costs

CellSelect[™] Automatically Identifies Viable Cells Human Fetal Neurons Isolated by FACS- Well Selected For RT Mastermix Dispense

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Image Analysis Software Automatically Identifies Viable Cells



CellSelect Software allows stained cells from up to 8 different samples to be individually counted and selected for subsequent reagent dispense

Antibody-based Selection



ICELL8 RNA-seq Workflow









Cell preparation (dissociate, stain, and count)	Dispense cells, controls, and the fiducial	Image wells. Freeze the chip. Select nano-wells for processing	Dispense RT-PCR reagents and perform cDNA amplification	Amplicon extraction and concentration	Nextera [®] XT sequencing library preparation
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ICELL8 Single-Cell System





UMI for real counting



Transcript tagging with Unique Molecular Identifiers (UMI)



ICELL8 Chip NanoWell Technology



- 5184 uniquely barcoded wells
- CellSelect software links well bar codes to image
- Over 1 Million Unique Molecule Identifiers per well barcode

SmartChip Single Cell Workflow Collaboration with the Broad Institute



Library Structure – 3'Tag Counting







Issue #2: Batch Effects

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On the widespread and critical impact of systematic bias and batch effects in single-cell RNA-Seq data

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Study Design



The Problem of Confounding Biological Variation and Batch Effects

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Batch effects and the effective design of single-cell gene expression studies

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Abstract

Single cell RNA sequencing (scRNA-seq) can be used to characterize variation in gene expression levels at high resolution. However, the sources of experimental noise in scRNA-seq are not yet well understood. We investigated the technical variation associated with sample processing using the single cell Fluidigm C1 platform. To do so, we processed three C1 replicates from three human induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC) lines. We added unique molecular identifiers (UMIs) to all samples, to account for amplification bias. We found that the major source of variation in the gene expression data was driven by genotype, but we also observed substantial variation between the technical replicates. We observed that the conversion of reads to molecules using the UMIs was impacted by both biological and technical variation, indicating that UMI counts are not an unbiased estimator of gene expression levels. Based on our results, we suggest a framework for effective scRNA-seq studies.

Issue #2: Batch Effects

Outlook

Single cell experiments are ideally suited to study gene regulatory noise and robustness [32,33]. Yet, in order to study the biological noise in gene expression levels, it is imperative that one should be able to effectively estimate and account for the technical noise in single cell gene expression data. Our results indicate that previous single cells gene expression studies may not have been able to distinguish between the technical and the biological components of variation, because single cell samples from each biological condition were processed on a single C1 batch. When technical noise is properly accounted for, even in this small pilot study, our findings indicate pervasive inter-individual differences in gene regulatory noise, independently of the overall gene expression level.

Study Design



Study Design



- Up to 8 samples per experiment
- Stopping points allow parallel processing
- No cell-size bias
- Hundreds of cells per sample

MultiSample NanoDispenser (MSND)

- 8 channel microsolenoid controlled dispenser
- 50nl dispensing volume in pre-programmed patterns
- Humidity and temperature control to minimize evaporation during dispensing and maintain cell viability
- Full chip dispensed in 13 minutes



Simple/Flexible Plate Layout for up to 8 samples





Issue #3: Are They Really Single Cells?



Human Fetal Neurons Isolated by FACS Wells Not Selected For RT Mastermix Dispense

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Issue #3: Are They Really Single Cells?



Issue #4: Cost

- FACS or microfluidics: ~20€/cell
 - Total cost per sample: **1.920€** (up to 96 cells)
 - Cost per treated vs. control experiment (in triplicate six runs): **11.520**€
- ICELL8: **~2€/cell**
 - Total cost per sample: **340€** (up to 225 cells)
 - Cost per treated vs. control experiment (in quadruplicate – one run): 2.720€

Cost from sample to sequencing ready library

Issue #4: Cost

- ICELL8: ~**2€/cell**
 - Total cost per sample: **340**€ (up to 225 cells)
 - Cost per treated vs. control experiment (in quadruplicate – one run): 2.720€
- 10X Genomics: **~1.4€/cell**
 - Total cost per sample: 1.400€ (up to 1000 cells)
 - Cost per treated vs. control experiment (in quadruplicate one run): **11.200**€

Cost from sample to sequencing ready library

System € 249,000

- MSND+
- Imaging Station
- Thermal Cycler
- CellSelectt Software
- Additional Items include:
 - Chip holders for centrifuge
 - Chip chiller
 - Chip holders for the freezer (set of 5)
 - 1 Yr warranty
 - Installation
 - On-site training
 - 2 Reagent/chip Kits for their own use (not for installation or training)

Reagent/Chip kit €2,900

- 1 Chip pre-printed with 5184 barcodes
- 1 Reagent kit
 - Fiducial Mix
 - Second Diluent
 - Amplification Primer
 - RT E5OLIGO
 - Nextera Primer P5
- Imaging Film
- PCR Film
- Collection Fixture
- RT buffer & kit

Issue #5: Applications

- Released:
 - RNA-seq (3' counting)
- Under development:
 - T-cell Receptor sequencing
 - Other Takara/Rubicon solutions (WTS, DNA-seq etc.)
- Users developed protocols:
 - DNA-seq (under development)
 - ATAC-seq (under development) (A Method for Assaying Chromatin Accessibility Genome-Wide)

Issue #6: Reads depth

- NextSeq 500/550 system
 - Maximum Reads Per Run : 400 million reads (High-Output Flow Cell)
 - Reads per cell possible:
 - For 50.000 cells :
 - For 8.000 cells :
 - For 1.000 cells :
 - For 200 cells :

8.000 reads / cell 50.000 reads / cell 400.000 reads / cell 2.000.000 reads / cell



Real World Data: ESC Differentiation

- 3 frozen samples shipped to WaferGen Europe
- 3T3 in culture at WaferGen

Cell Type	Isolated single cells	PI negative single cells	Selected wells
ESC2 cells	346	279	125
d2.2 cells	420	340	125
d2.3 cells	309	248	125
3T3 cells	417	388	10
Pos_Ctrl – 3T3 RNA			10
Neg_Ctrl			10
TOTAL	1492	1255	405

Reads Filtering



- Data was generated on a NextSeq 500
- Filtering results were as expected
- Alignment of reads was against the Refseq mouse transcriptome

Gene Assignment



Valid Reads per barcode

Mean Reads by Cell Type

Cell Type	Mean Reads	Mean Transcripts	Mean Genes
ESC2	533,852	7,386	5,922
d2_2	845,299	10,873	8,448
d2_3	1,440,650	14,267	10,653
3T3	2,664,803	17,647	12,589
Pos_Ctrl	1,488,083	12,145	9,098
Neg_Ctrl	62,472	1,213	1,114

t-SNE Clustering



- PCA was first performed
- First 6 PCs were taken as input for t-SNE
- d2.2 & d2.3 cluster together
- And separate from ESC2
- 3T3 cells and 3T3 RNA cluster together and are distinct from all other samples

Down-sampling to 100k Reads/Barcode

At100k reads per barcode, d2 cells separate from ES cells and 3T3. d2.2 and d2.3 still cluster together



Real World Data: Primary Cardiomyocytes



Primary Cardiomyocytes Clustering

HDBSCAN clustering



Primary Cardiomyocytes Clustering



HDBSCAN clustering, Nuclearity

Primary Cardiomyocytes Clustering

Aggregated expression of LV–specific genes



number of features is also connected to left/right ventricular identity of CM (right ventricle expressed number of genes is considerably lower than left ventricle)

- 19 LV specific genes based on Torrado et al.
- 9 were found within the data set
- average expression above/below threshold > decision for LV / RV

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