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SMRT Sequencing – How it Works

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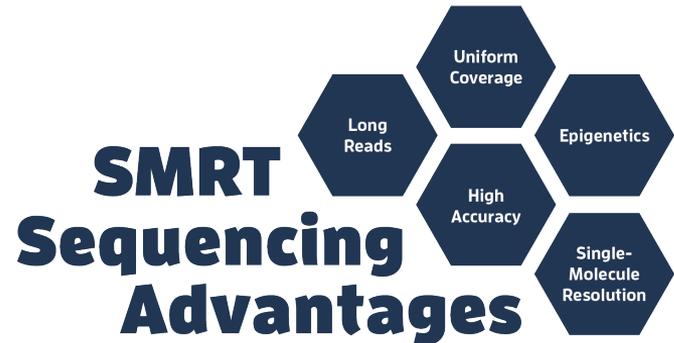


SEQUENCE WITH CONFIDENCE

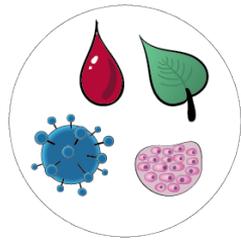
PacBio long-read sequencing provides access to the full spectrum of genetic variation, driving discovery across all fields of life science.



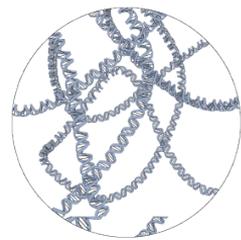
PacBio Systems are powered by **Single Molecule, Real-Time (SMRT) Sequencing**, a technology proven to produce exceptionally long reads with high accuracy.



FROM SAMPLE TO SMRT SEQUENCING



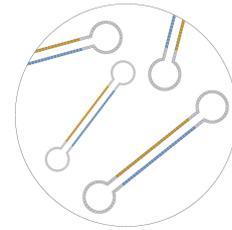
From viruses to vertebrates



Isolate DNA or RNA

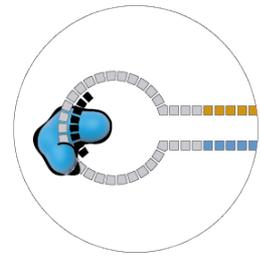


Ligate adapters
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Generate SMRTbell libraries

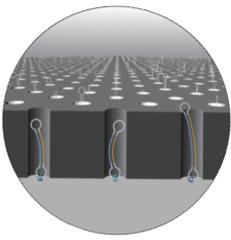
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Primer & Polymerase



Prepare sequencing reaction

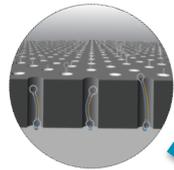


Use PacBio Sequel Systems to sequence genomes, transcriptomes, and epigenomes



SMRT Cells contain millions of zero-mode waveguides (ZMWs)

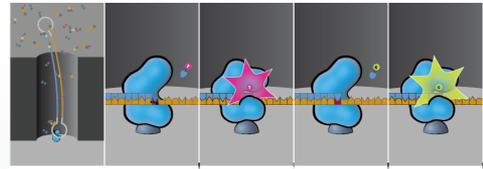
OUR CORE TECHNOLOGY



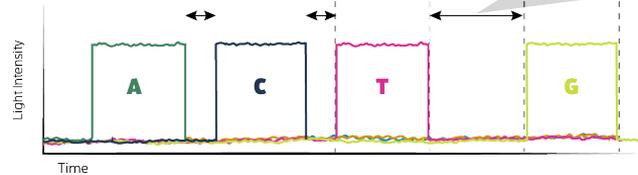
SMRTbell templates enable repeated sequencing of circular template with real-time base incorporation

Single-Molecule Resolution

A single molecule of DNA is immobilized in each ZMW



As anchored polymerases incorporate labeled bases, light is emitted

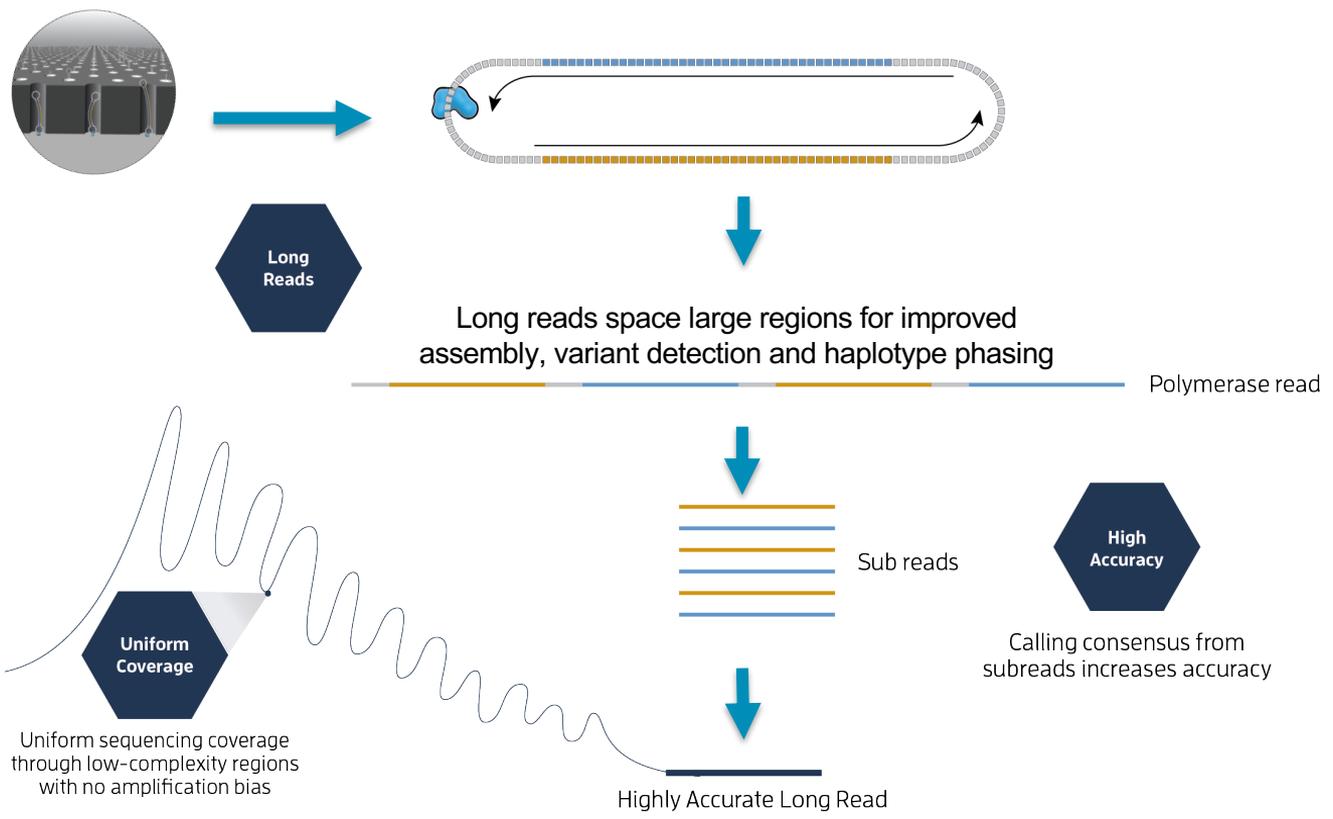


Epigenetics

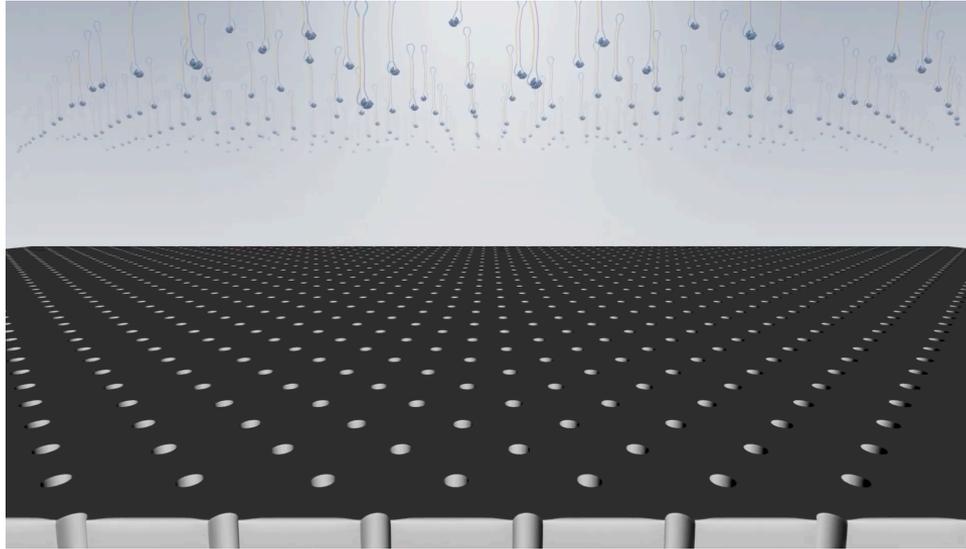
Directly detect DNA modifications during sequencing

Nucleotide incorporation kinetics are measured in real time

GENERATE HIGHLY ACCURATE LONG READS

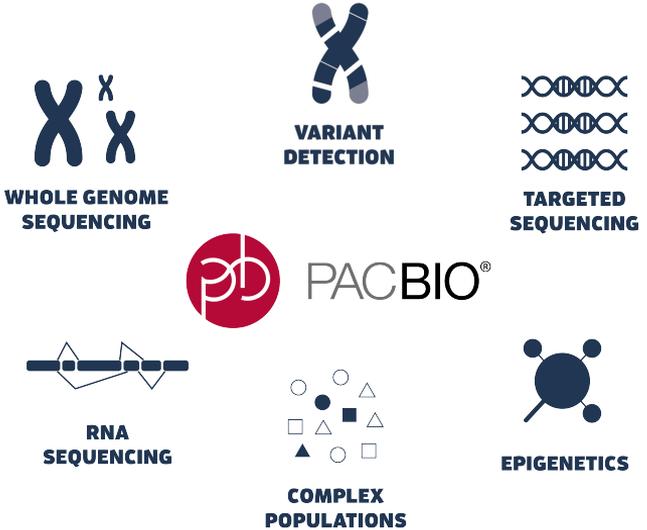


PACBIO SEQUENCING 101 CLIP

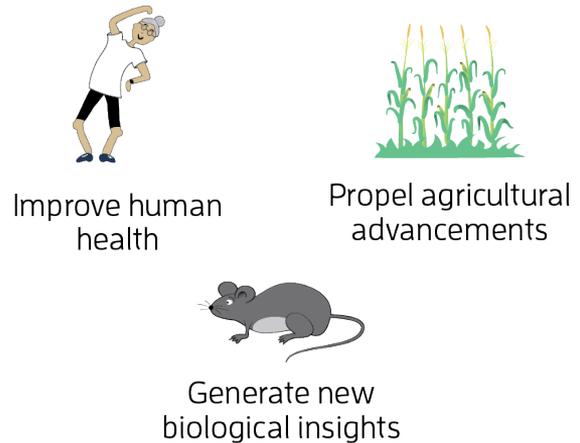


[PacBio: Sequencing 101](#)

SMRT SEQUENCING ENABLES THE FULL RANGE OF PACBIO APPLICATIONS



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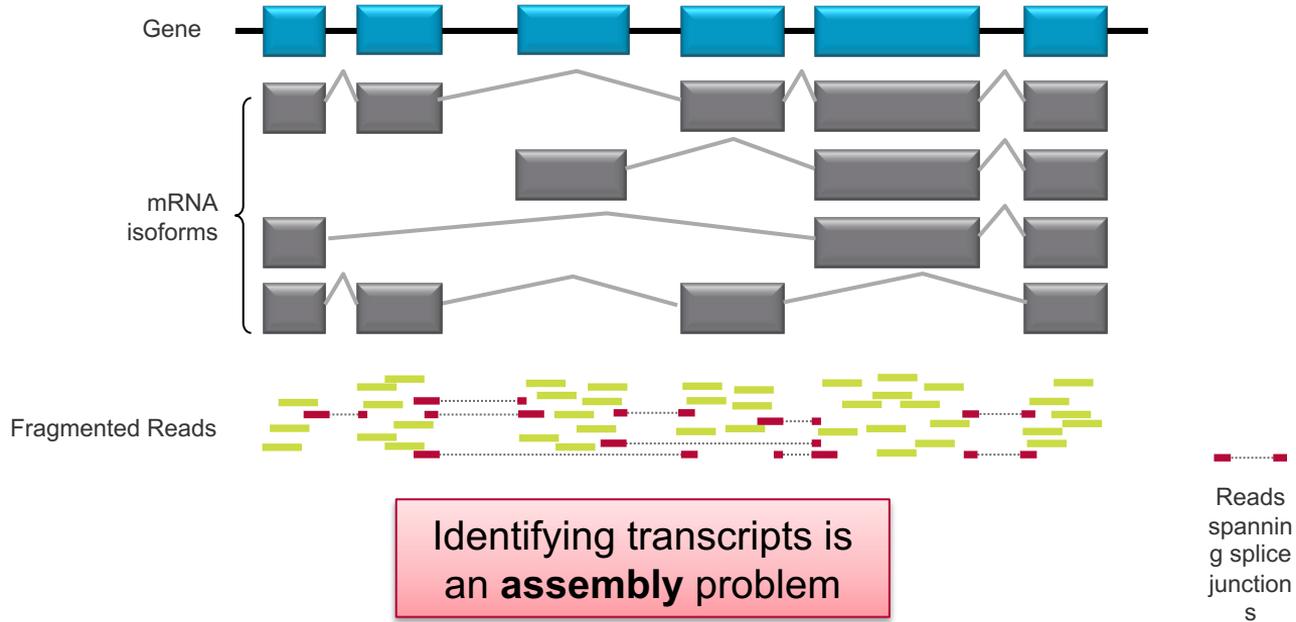




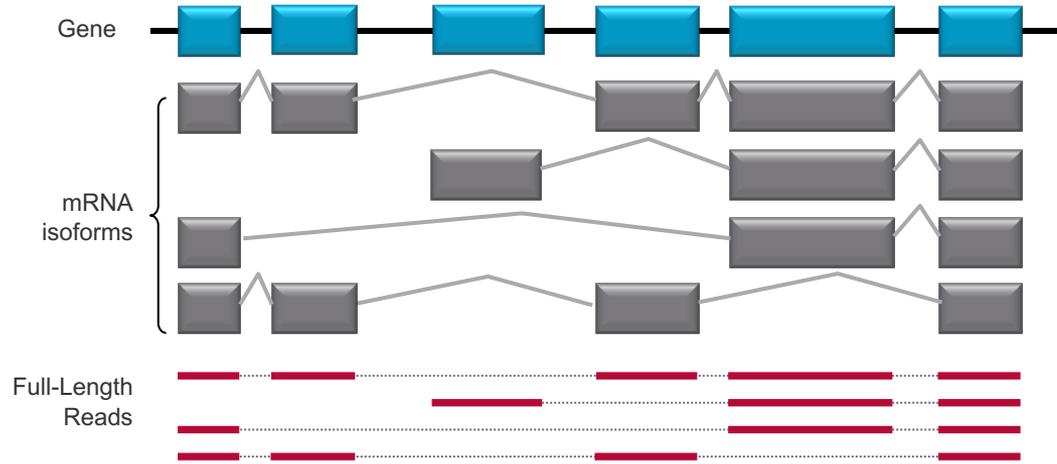
The Iso-Seq Method

From Sample Prep to Analysis

TRADITIONAL RNA-SEQ



ISO-SEQ METHOD = FULL-LENGTH TRANSCRIPT SEQUENCING



No assembly required



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1 DAY



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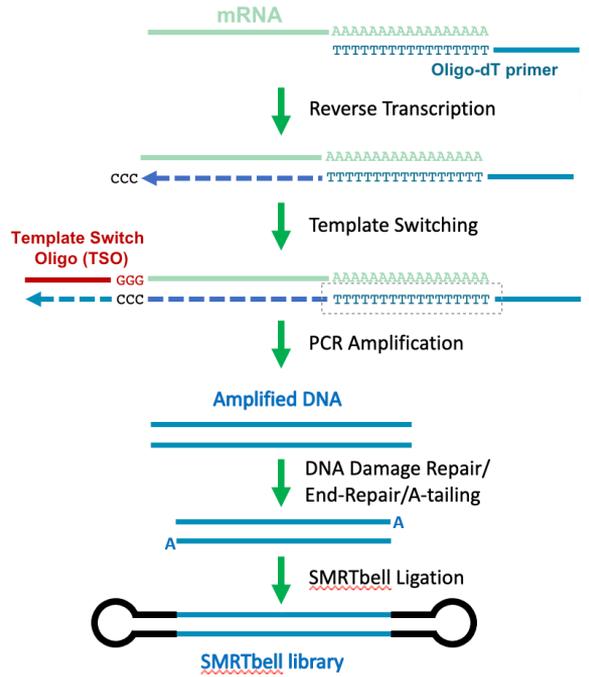


DATA
ANALYSIS

1 DAY

Iso-Seq Express kit

- 60-300 ng total RNA
- Full-length cDNA
- Multiplexing support



	FL Reads	Unique Genes	Unique Transcripts
UHRR	4,734,362	16,328	183,689
Alzheimer Brain	4,277,293	17,670	162,290

[Dataset: UHRR](#)

[Dataset: Alzheimer Brain](#)



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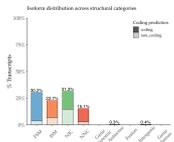
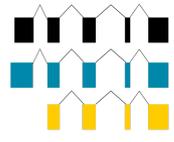
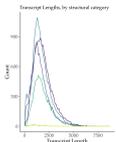
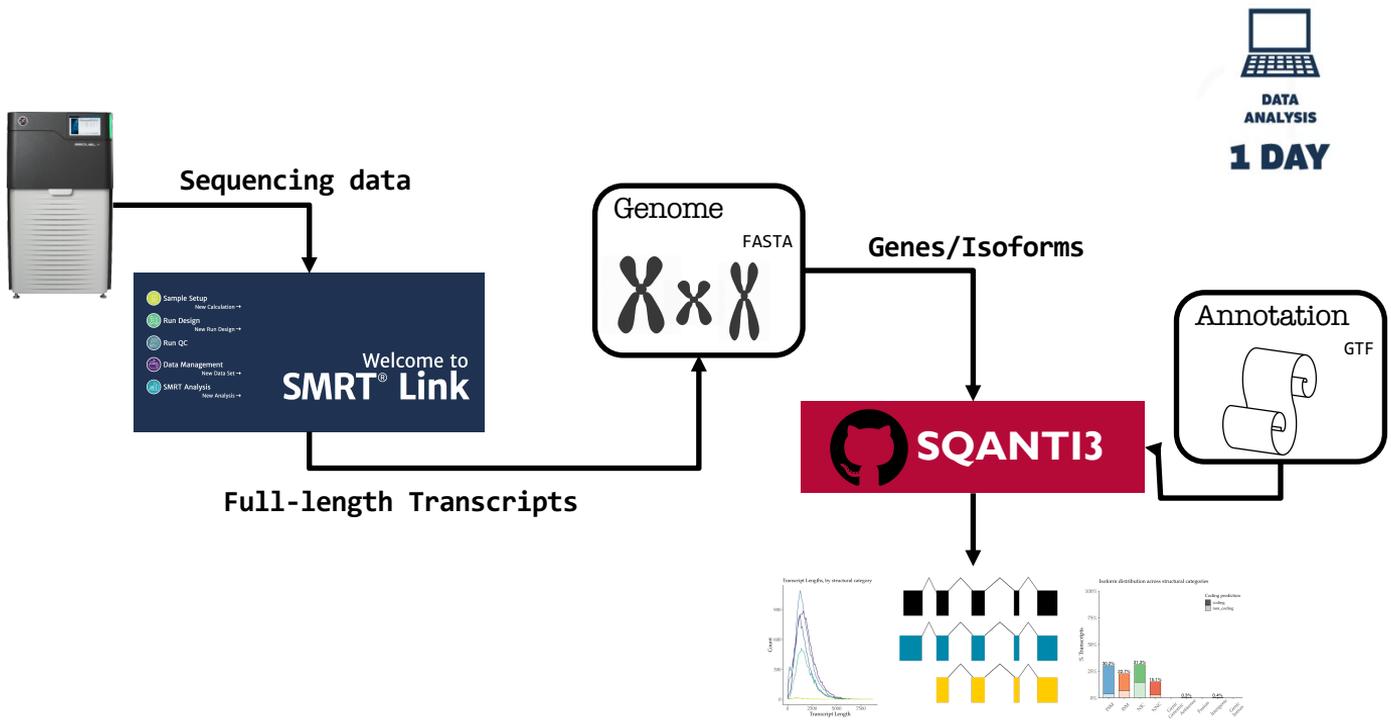
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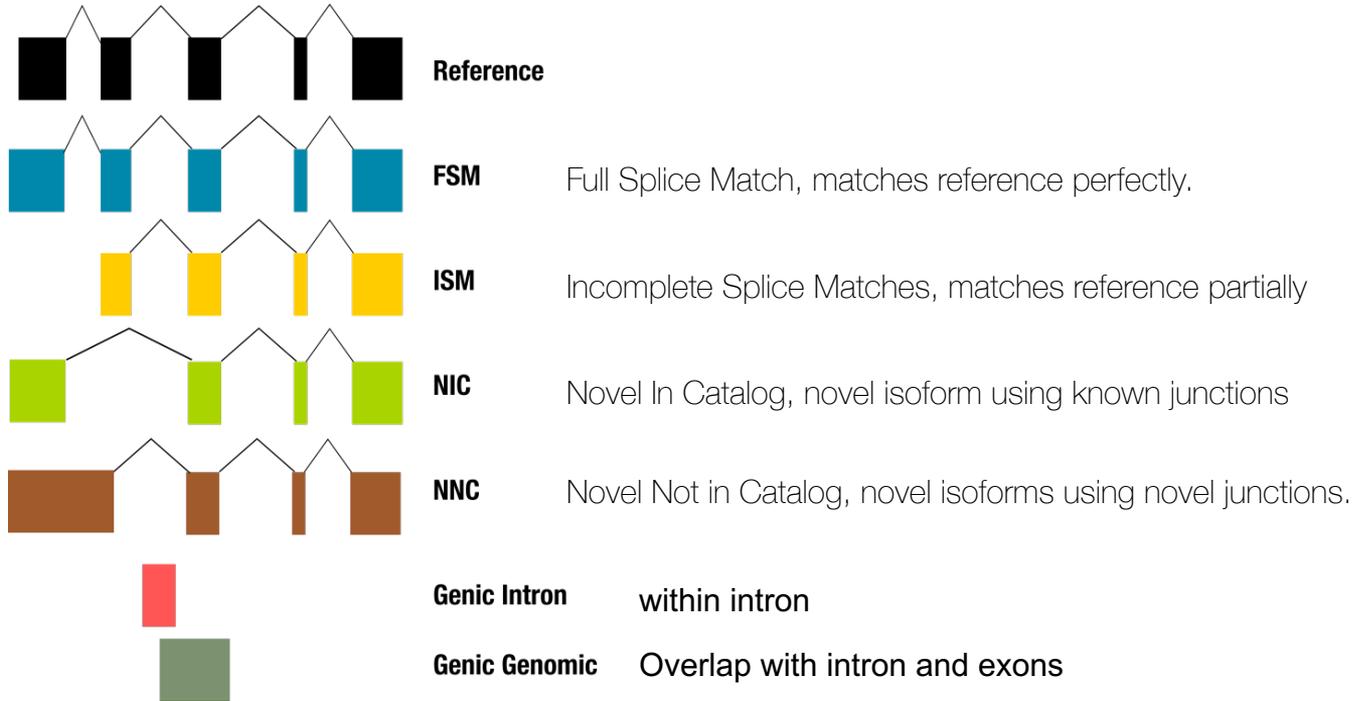
Sequel II System

- 1 SMRT Cell 8M for whole transcriptome
- Up to 4 million full-length reads

FULL BIOINFORMATICS SOLUTION

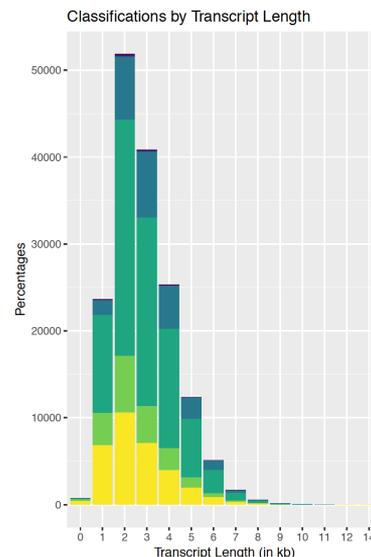


CLASSIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTS



ISO-SEQ METHOD ON THE SEQUEL II SYSTEM

- **Comprehensive**
- Full-Length
- Highly accurate



162,290 transcripts

80 – 14,288 bp
(mean: 3.3 kb)

[Dataset: Alzheimer brain on 1 SMRT Cell 8M](#)

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	Known	Novel	Total
Genes	17,051	619	17,670
Isoforms	51,660	110,630	162,290

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Category	Count	Description
FSM	32,649	Perfect match
ISM	19,011	Incomplete match
NIC	84,610	Novel isoform using known junctions
NNC	25,323	Novel isoform using at least novel junction
Antisense	321	Anti-sense to known gene
Intergenic	376	Intergenic

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ISO-SEQ METHOD ON THE SEQUEL II SYSTEM

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Category	Count	CAGE peak within 50 bp
FSM	32,649	70%
ISM	19,011	37%
NIC	84,610	36%
NNC	25,323	57%
Antisense	321	24%
Intergenic	376	24%

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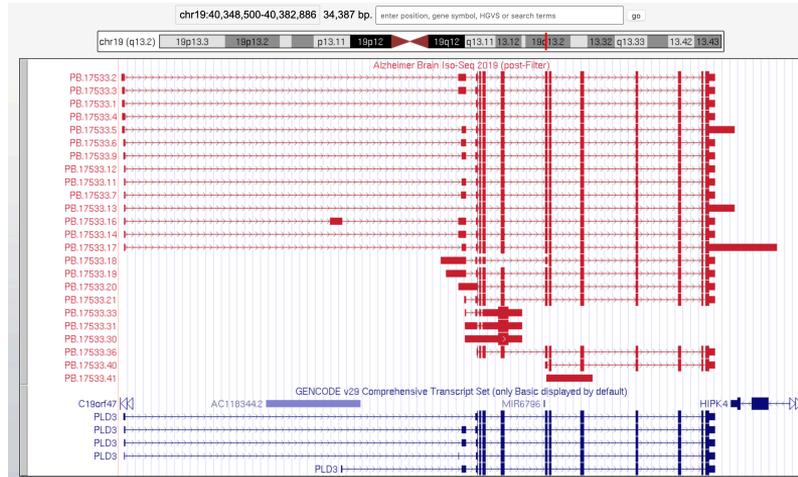
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Category	Count	CAGE peak within 50 bp	polyA Motif Detected
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ISM	19,011	37%	62%
NIC	84,610	36%	55%
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Intergenic	376	24%	38%

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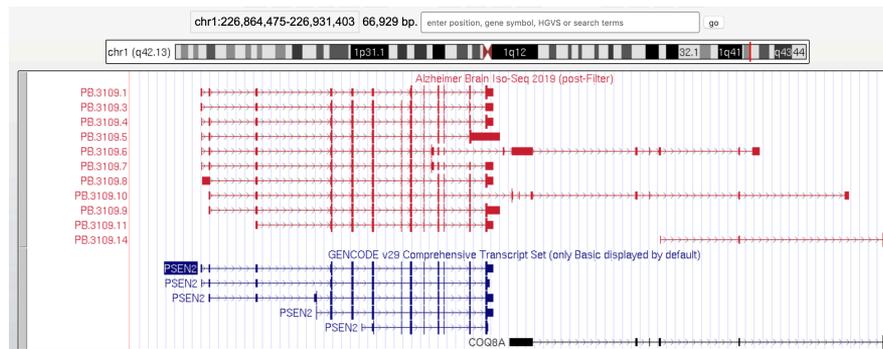
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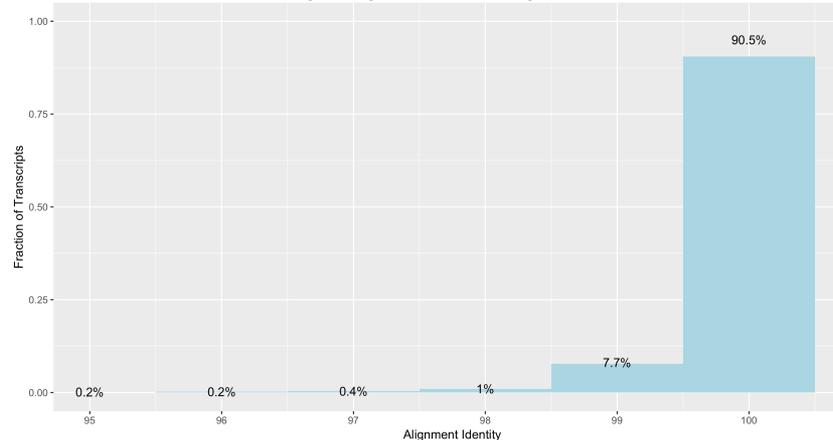


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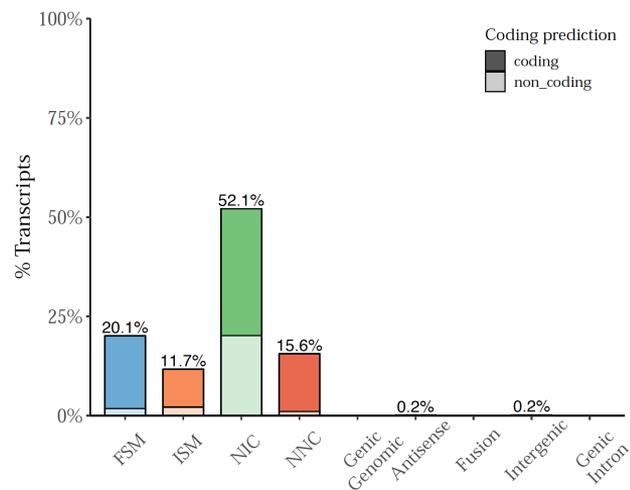
> 99% of Iso-Seq output transcript is >99% accurate



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Bioinformatics

- Iso-Seq3 in SMRT Analysis
- Reads to ORF in 1 day
- Downstream community tools



Sequel II System

- 1 SMRT Cell 8M for whole transcriptome
- 4 million full-length reads



Research Highlights

GENETIC DIAGNOSIS FOR RARE DISEASES

[Circulation: Genomic and Precision Medicine](#)

RESEARCH LETTER

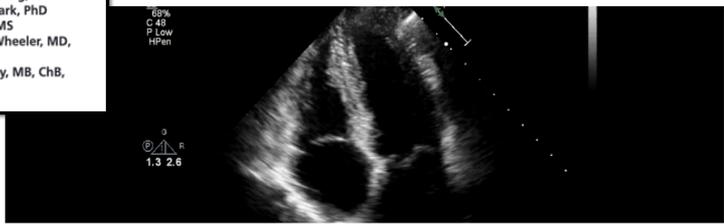
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Finding Diagnosis in a Sea of Transcripts: The Case of a Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Patient

Dainis et al., "Targeted Long-Read RNA Sequencing Demonstrates Transcriptional Diversity Driven by Splice-Site Variation in MYBPC3." *Circulation: Genomic and Precision Medicine* (2019)

GENETIC DIAGNOSIS FOR RARE DISEASES

- 21y female patient with severe hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM)
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- Mutation expected to affect splicing between exon 19-20

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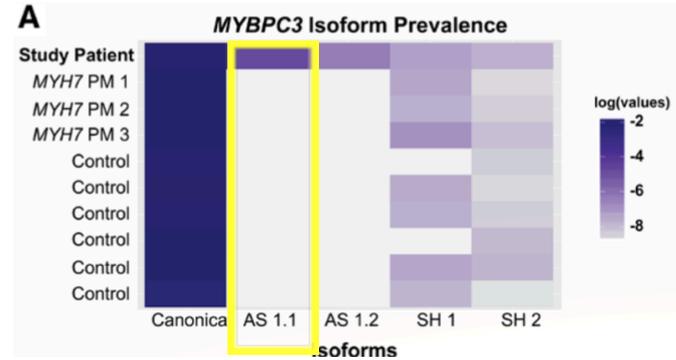
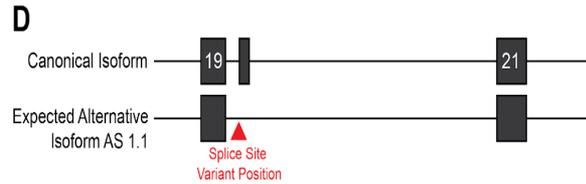
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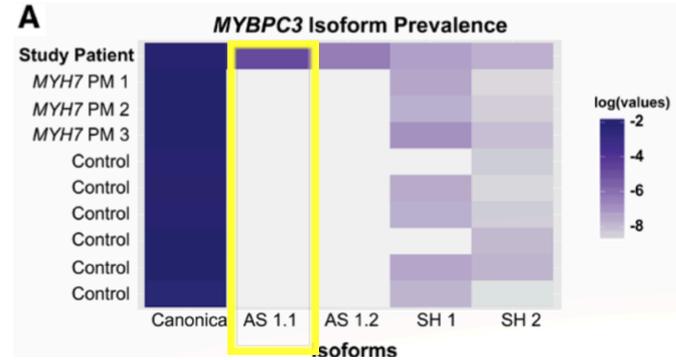
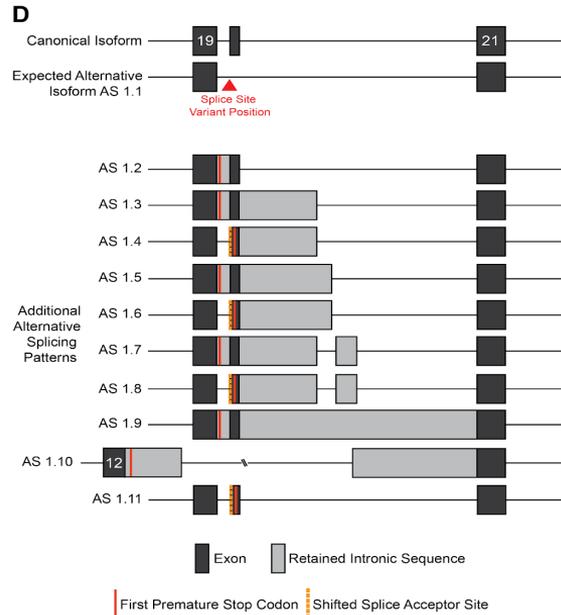
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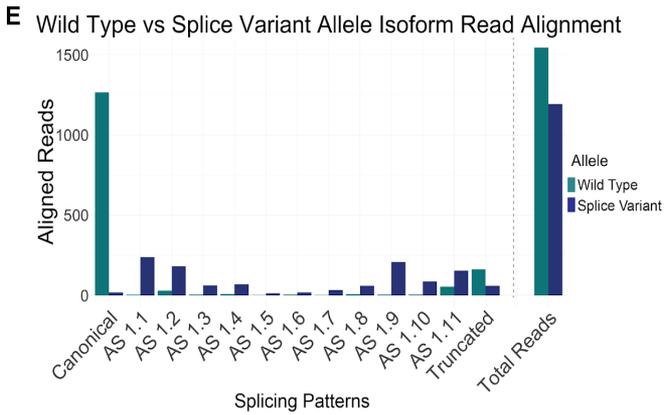
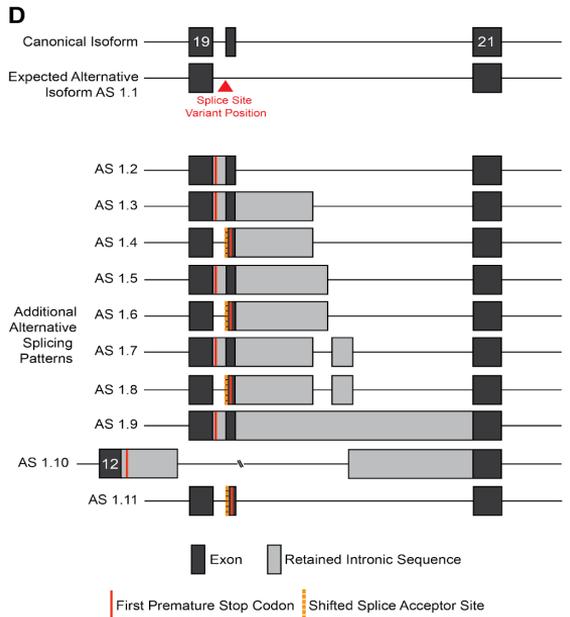
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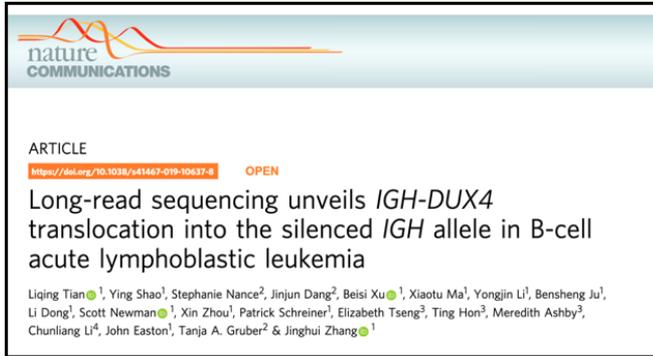
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FUSION TRANSCRIPTS IN CANCER

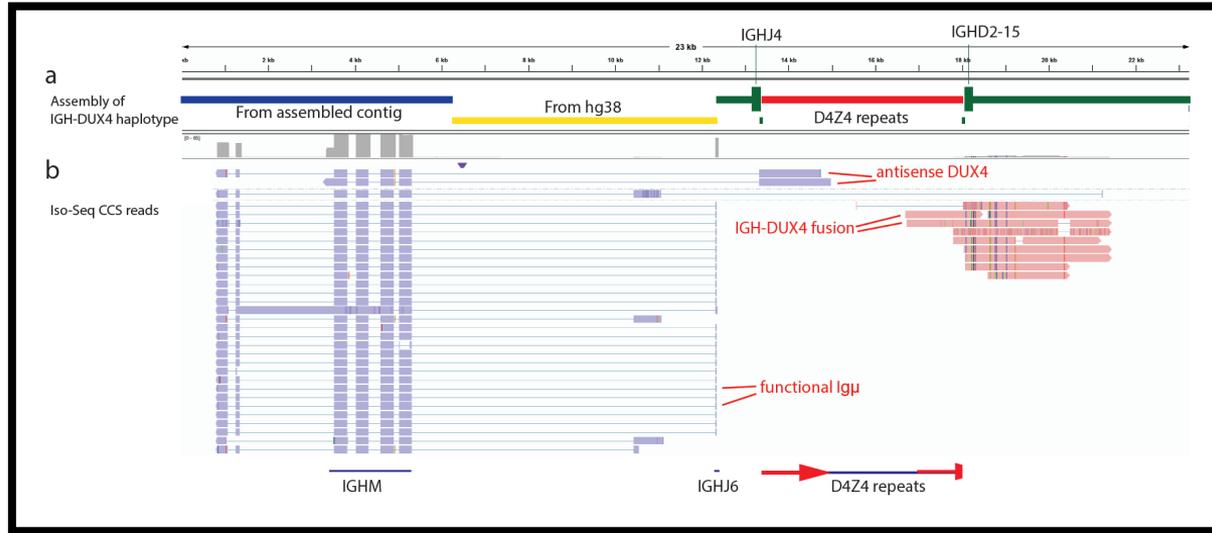


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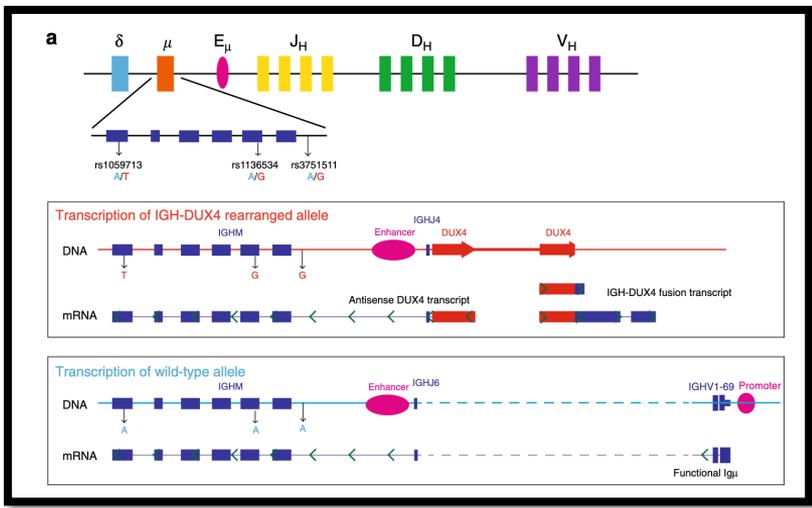


- In B-cell development, one IGH allele is silenced
- IGH-DUX4 translocation is subtype of B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL)
- Accounts for ~7% of pediatric B-ALL
- DUX4 is a transcription factor located in a GC-rich region
- Short reads difficult to map accurately IGH-DUX4 translocation

ISO-SEQ SEQUENCING OF NALM6 B-ALL CELL LINE

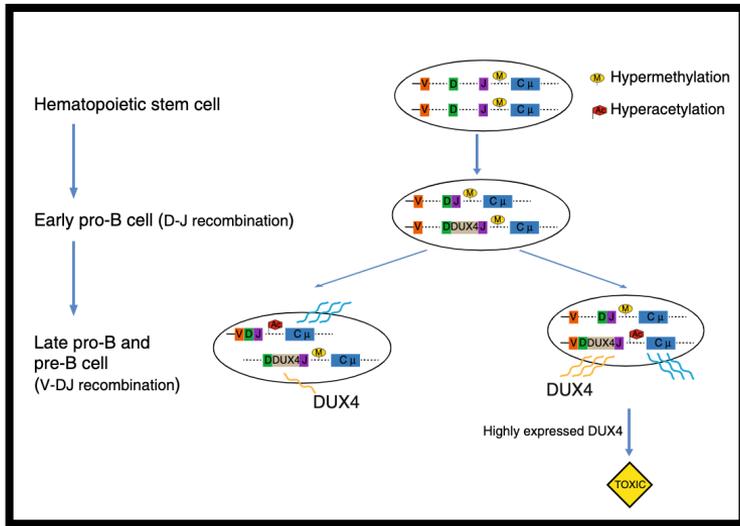


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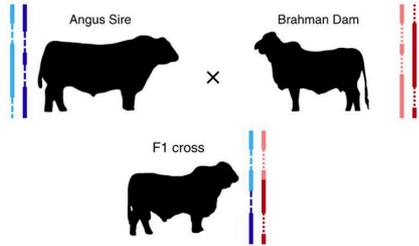
- IGHM locus is diploid with three SNPs (A-A-A vs T-G-G)
- Iso-Seq analysis shows functional Igu comes exclusively from A-A-A wildtype
- Iso-Seq analysis shows antisense DUX4 comes exclusively from T-G-G fusion allele --> proves that IGH-DUX4 translation comes from the silenced IGH allele

FUSION TRANSCRIPTS IN CANCER



- Activation of the IGH-DUX4 is toxic (due to overexpression of DUX4)
- Therefore, only the wildtype IGH allele is viable

ISO-SEQ METHOD FOR PLANT & ANIMAL



Brahman x Angus F1 Cattle

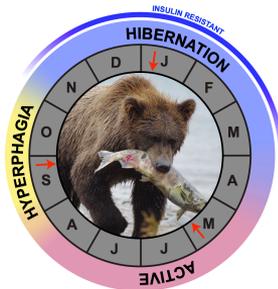
- Allele-specific isoform expression
- Tissue-specific isoform expression

[Low et al \(2020\)](#)

Cannabis

- Tissue-specific transcripts associated w/ THC & CBD synthesis
- Chr Y gene annotation

McKernan, [webinar](#)



Grizzly Bear

- Tissue-specific alternative splicing
- Hibernation vs active state

Trojahn, Kelley, et al. (WSU)

LEARN MORE ABOUT AND THE ISO-SEQ METHOD



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