

Next generation sequencing in Virology

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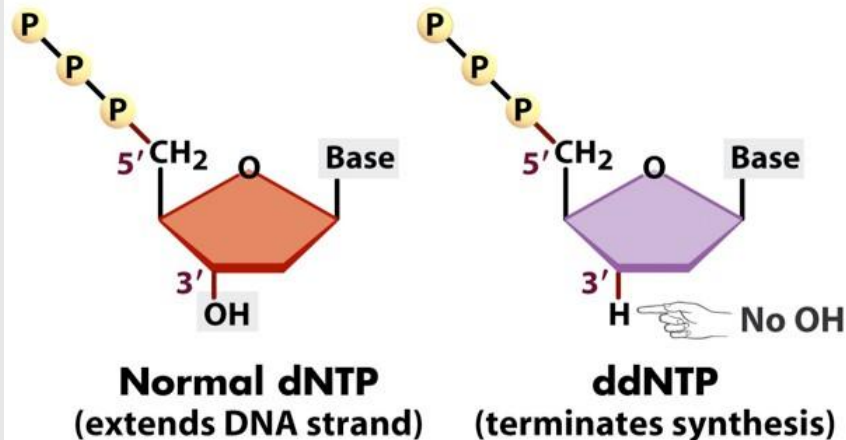


First generation sequencing

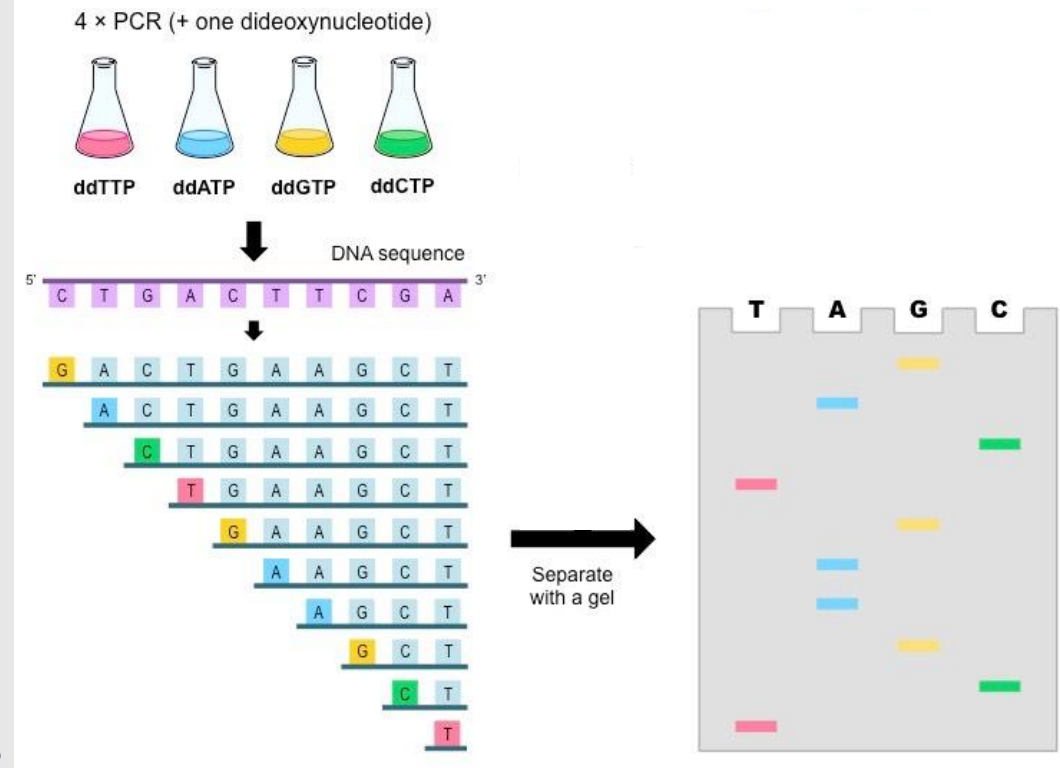


Sanger Sequencing (dideoxy chain termination)

ddNTPs terminate DNA synthesis.

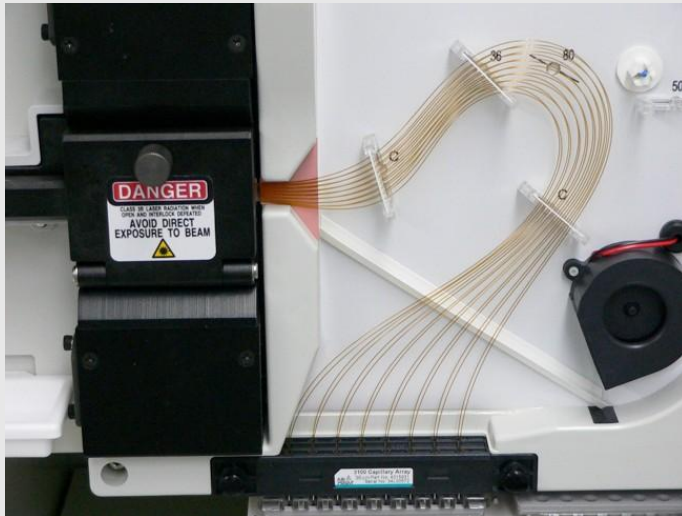


- Developed in 1977 by Fred Sanger
- DNA extended from **radiolabelled** primers using a mix of dNTP and ddNTP nucleotides
- Random **chain termination** upon ddNTP incorporation
- **Separate reaction** for each terminator (ddC-ddT-ddA-ddG)
- DNA fragments resolved on large **polyacrylamide gels** and detected on film by **autoradiography**
- Sequence **read by hand** and typed in
- Labour intensive, slow and expensive

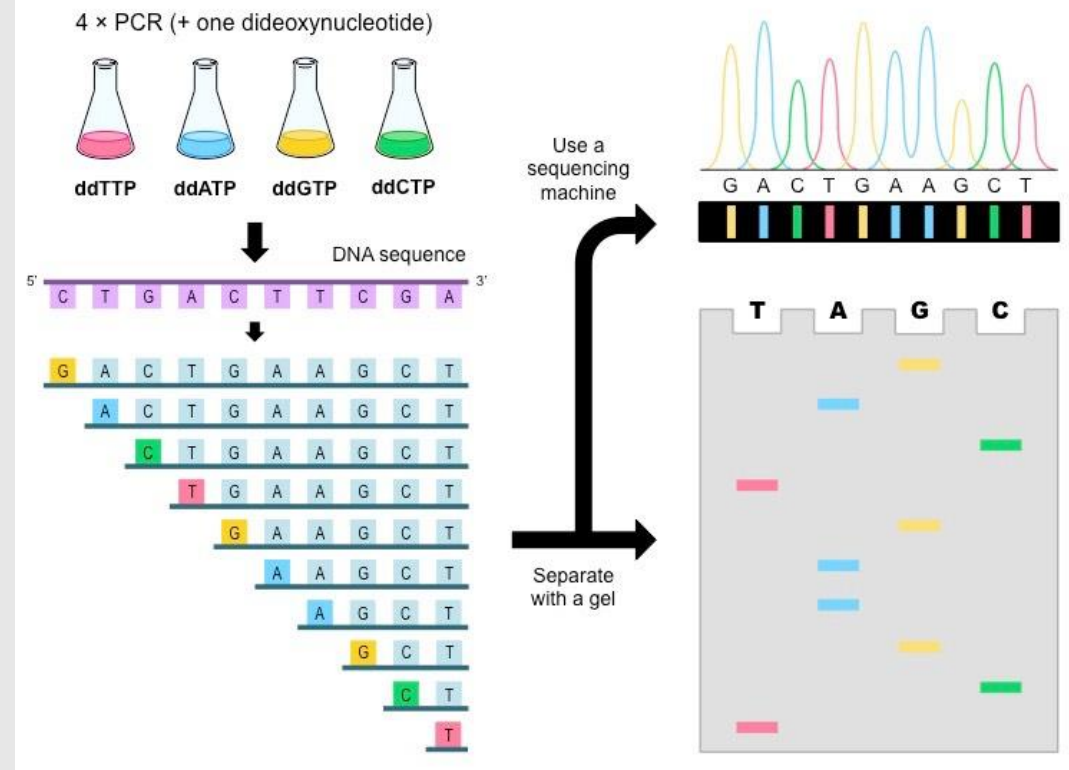




Sanger Sequencing



- Automation developed by Leroy Hood and **Applied BioSystems**
- Improved using **fluorescently-labelled** ddNTP terminators (**one reaction** per sequence)
- Separated by **capillary electrophoresis** in automated sequencing machine
- Long reads** (up to 1100 bp) and **low error rate**
- Limited throughput, **expensive** per base but still in wide use.





Second generation sequencing

Second Generation Sequencing – High Throughput Sequencing (HTS)

- General characteristics:
 - DNA molecules from a single library are clustered on a planar substrate (**bridge PCR**), or to the surface of micron-scale beads (**emulsion PCR**).
 - Sequencing by **synthesis** or by **ligation**.
- Advantages over first generation sequencing:
 - *In vitro* **clonal amplification** circumvents time consuming steps such as ligation of DNA fragments into a plasmid, transformation of *E. coli* and colony picking.
 - Array-based sequencing enables higher degree of **parallelism** than conventional capillary-based sequencing.



Principal characteristics of the four most used deep sequencing platforms

454

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GS FLX+

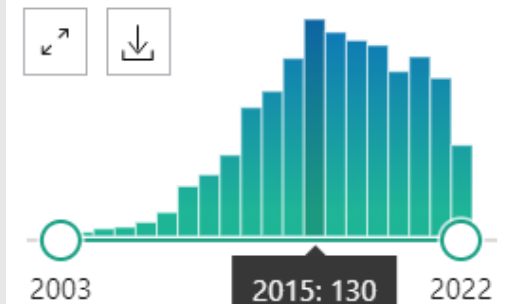
Amplification Method	Emulsion PCR on beads	
Chemistry	Synthesis (pyrosequencing)	
Read length (bp)	400	700
Yield/run (Gb)	0.05	0.9
Primary Error	Indel	
Error rate	~1%	
Run time (hours)	10	20
Virus-related Publications	187	
Advantage(s)	Long reads, maturity	
Disadvantage(s)	Homopolymer misreads, high cost/Mb	

Illumina

MiSeq
HiSeq

Amplification Method	Bridge PCR in situ	
Chemistry	Synthesis (reversible termination)	
Read length (bp)	250	125
Yield/run (Gb)	8	1,000
Primary Error	Substitution	
Error rate	~0.1%	
Run Time (hours)	39	276
Virus-related Publications	129	
Advantage(s)	Easy work flow, maturity	
Disadvantage(s)	Shortest reads, long run	

RESULTS BY YEAR


**Ion
Torrent**

PGM
Proton

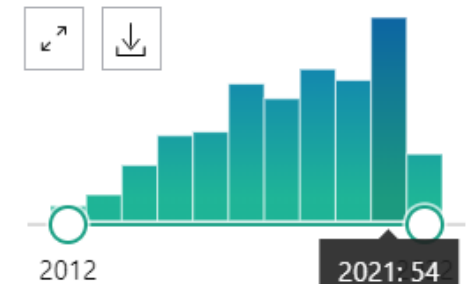
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Chemistry	Synthesis (H ⁺ detection)	
Read length (bp)	400	200
Yield/run (Gb)	2	10
Primary Error	Indel	
Error rate	~1%	
Run time (hours)	7	4
Virus-related Publications	13	
Advantage(s)	Low cost, fast run	
Disadvantage(s)	Homopolymer misreads	

PacBio

RS II

Amplification Method	No PCR	
Chemistry	Single-molecule real-time sequencing	
Read length (bp)	8,500	
Yield/run (Gb)	0.15	
Primary Error	Indel	
Error rate	~13%	
Run time (hours)	2	
Virus-related Publications	6	
Advantage(s)	Longest reads	
Disadvantage(s)	High error rate, expensive	

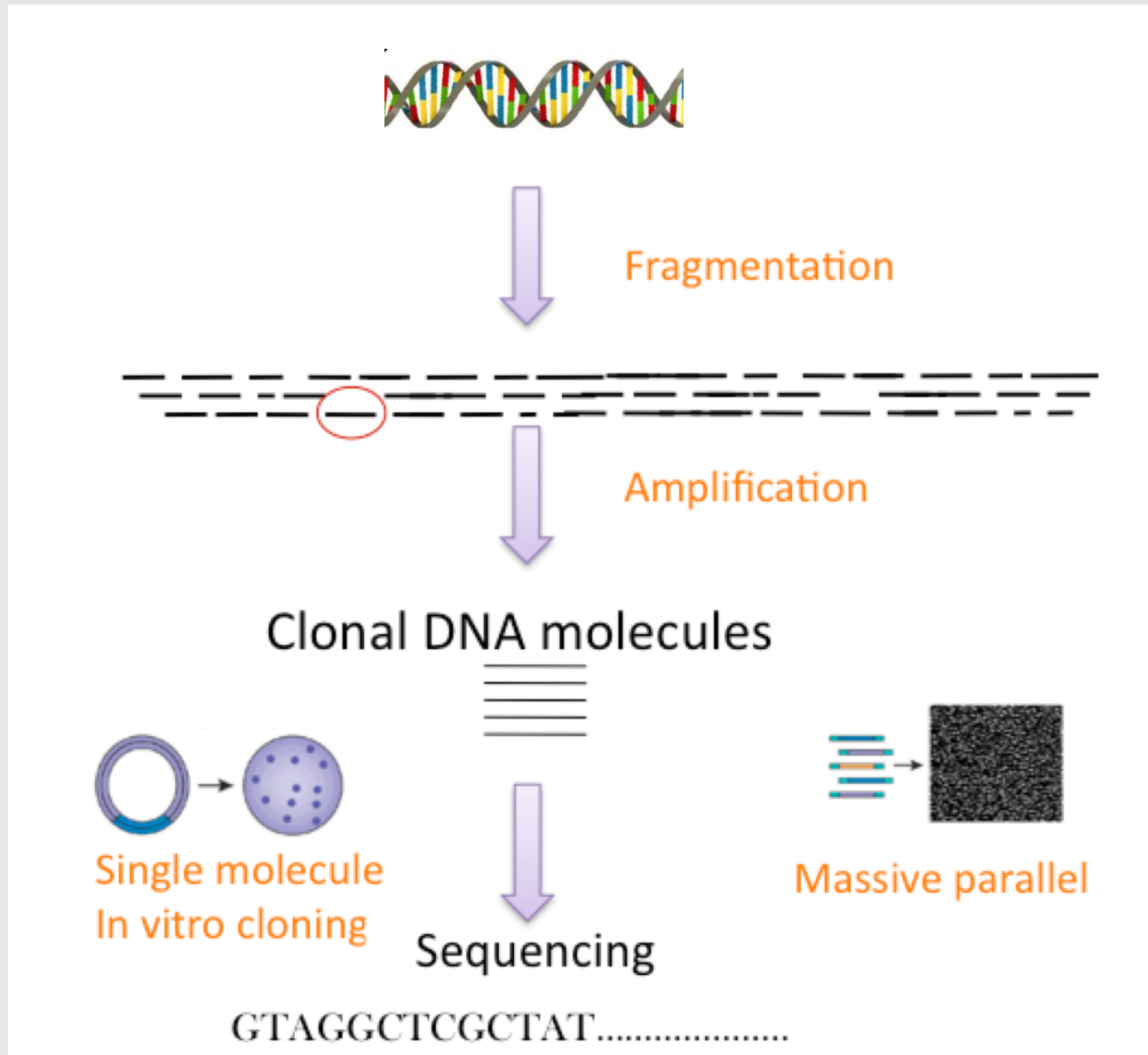
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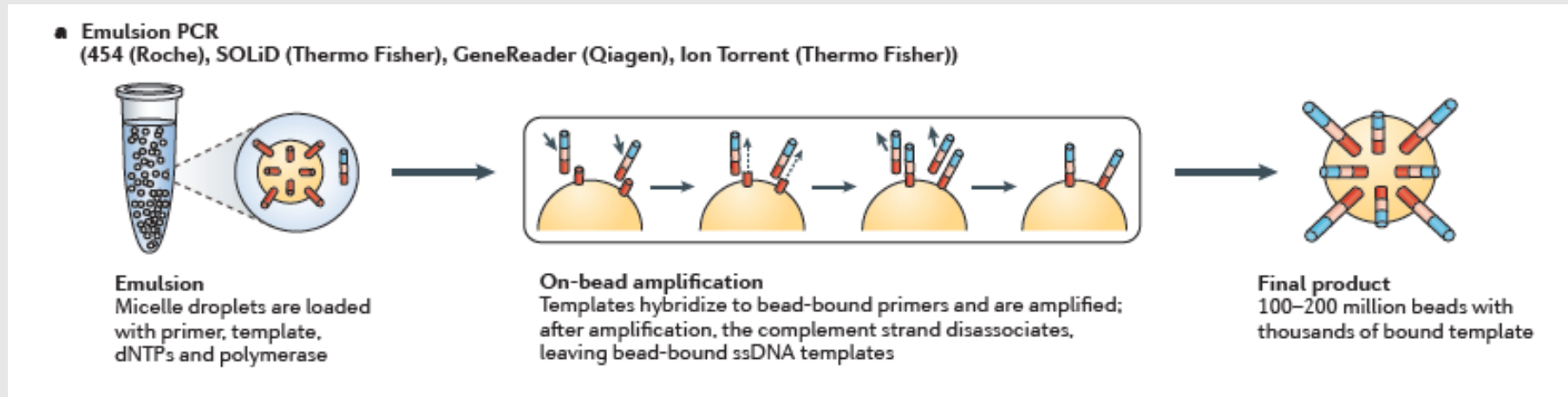


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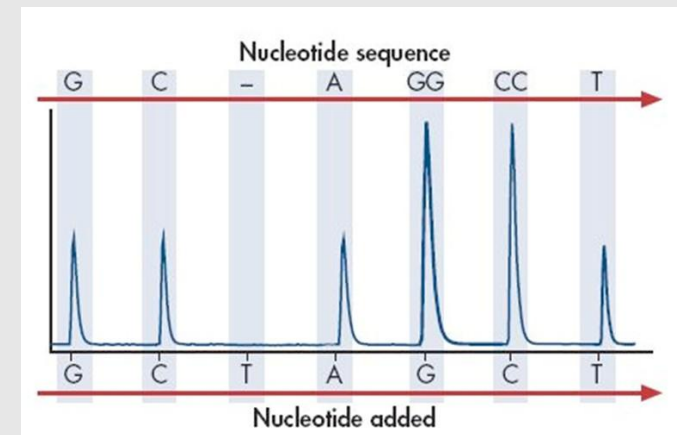
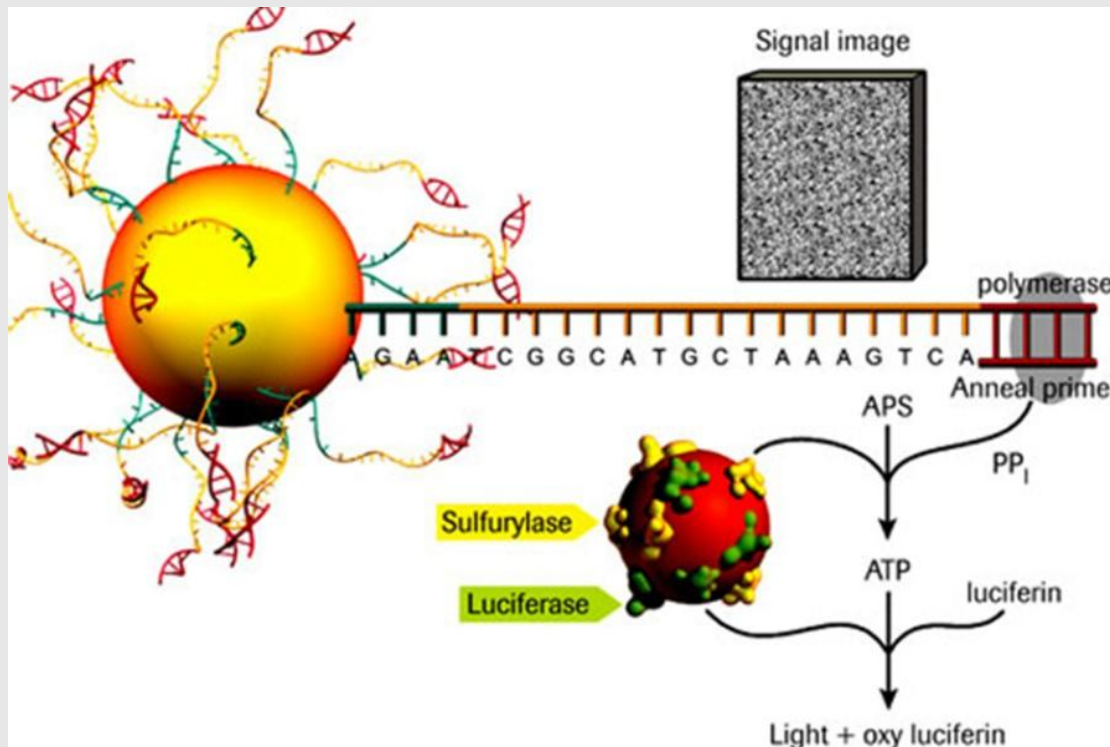
Method	Read length	Accuracy (single read not consensus)	Reads per run	Time per run	Cost per 1 million bases (in US\$)	Advantages	Disadvantages
Single-molecule real-time sequencing (Pacific Biosciences)	10,000 bp to 15,000 bp	87% single-read accuracy	500–1000 megabases	30 minutes to 4 hours	\$0.13–\$0.60	Longest read length. Fast. Detects 4mC, 5mC, 6mA.	Moderate throughput. Equipment can be very expensive.
Ion semiconductor sequencing (Ion Torrent)	up to 400 bp	98%	up to 80 million	2 hours	\$1	Less expensive equipment. Fast.	Homopolymer errors.
Pyrosequencing (454)	700 bp	99.9%	1 million	24 hours	\$10	Long read size. Fast.	Runs are expensive. Homopolymer errors.
Sequencing by synthesis (Illumina)	MiSeq: 50-600 bp HiSeq: 50-500 bp	99.9% (Phred30)	MiSeq: 1-25 Million; HiSeq: 300 million - 2 billion,	1 to 11 days, depending upon sequencer and specified read length	\$0.05 to \$0.15	Potential for high sequence yield, depending upon sequencer model and desired application.	Equipment can be very expensive. Requires high concentrations of DNA.
Sequencing by ligation (SOLiD sequencing)	50+35 or 50+50 bp	99.9%	1.2 to 1.4 billion	1 to 2 weeks	\$0.13	Low cost per base.	Slower than other methods. Has issues sequencing palindromic sequences.
Chain termination (Sanger sequencing)	400 to 900 bp	99.9%	N/A	20 minutes to 3 hours	\$2400	Long individual reads. Useful for many applications.	More expensive and impractical for larger sequencing projects. This method also requires the time consuming step of plasmid cloning or PCR.

How does high-throughput sequencing work?





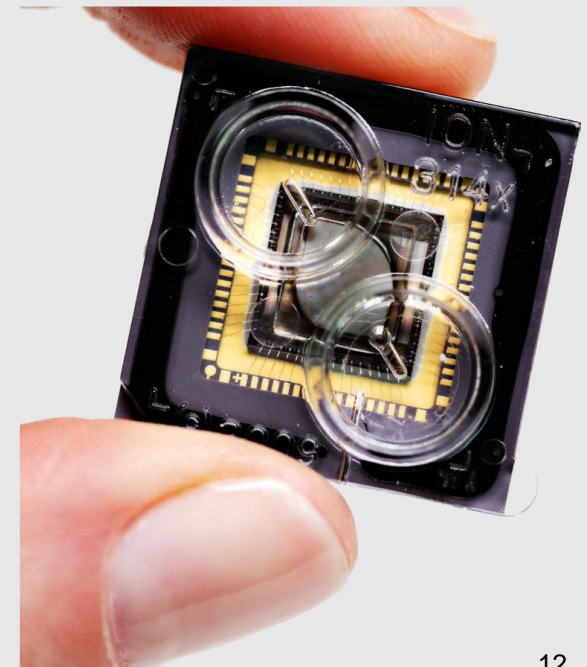
- Developed in Uppsala, Sweden. Later acquired by Qiagen, then licensed to Life Sciences (**454**)
 - DNA fragmentation
 - **Adapters** ligated to DNA fragments (**biotin** tag)
 - Bound to **Streptavidin** beads (each fragment, one bead)
 - Amplified by **emulsion PCR**
 - Beads deposited into **separate wells** on PicoTitrePlate with separate pyrosequencing reaction in each well, in a large-scale parallel pyrosequencing system.

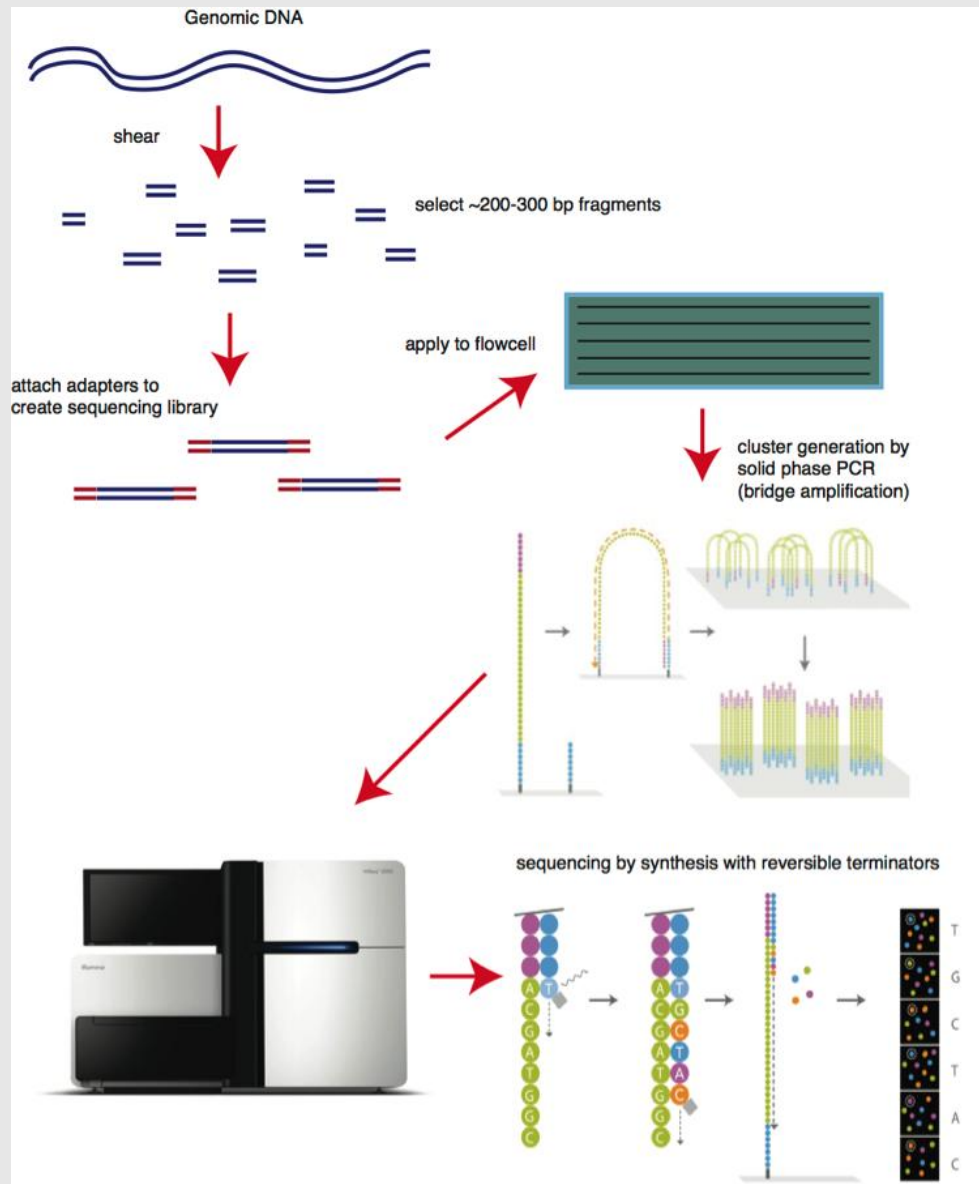


Discontinued in 2014!!!

- Sequencing by synthesis method
- G-C-T-A nucleotides are added sequentially, dNTP incorporation releases **pyrophosphate** (PPi)
- ATP **sulfurylase** converts dNTP to ATP, acts as a substrate for the **luciferase**
- Generates **light** in amounts that are proportional to the amount of PPi (homopolymer error!)
- Unincorporated nucleotides and ATP are degraded by the **apyrase**
- **Light signal** recorded on camera

- Licensed from DNA Electronics Ltd, developed by **Ion Torrent Systems**. Later bought over by **Life Technologies**
 - **Adapters** ligated to DNA fragments
 - Bound to **beads**, amplified by **emulsion PCR**
 - Beads deposited into separate wells on **semiconductor chip** with A-T-C-G nucleotides are added **sequentially**
 - **Sequencing by synthesis**
 - Nucleotide incorporation **releases a proton** and the pH of the well changes. A sensing layer detects the change and translates the chemical signal to a digital signal.
(Avoids using optical sensors or fluorescent nucleotides; still with homopolymer errors)





- Developed by Balasubramanian and Klenerman who founded Solexa, later acquired by Illumina
 - **Adapters** ligated to DNA fragments
 - **Flow cell** – glass slide with oligos matching adapters
 - Captured DNA replicated through **bridge amplification** to make identical 'colonies'
 - **Fluorescent reversible terminators** passed over flow cell
 - **Image** captured, terminator and dye removed (better performance with homopolymers)
 - barcoding and UMI for multiplexing

- Low error rate, read lengths have increased to ≥ 300 bp.
- Currently used for vast majority of sequencing
- Range of machines with different throughput and cost
- Run time is slower than Ion Torrent (days compared to hours)
- Low error rate – 0.1%
- Single or paired end reads





	NextSeq System	HiSeq System	NovaSeq Series ^{††}	
	NextSeq 500[*]	HiSeq 4000[*]	NovaSeq 5000[*]	NovaSeq 6000[*]
Output Range	20–120 Gb	125–1500 Gb	167–2000 Gb	167–6000 Gb
Run Time	11–29 hr	<1–3.5 days	TBA	19–40 hr
Reads per Run	130–400 million	2.5–5 billion	1.4–6.6 billion	1.4–20 billion
Max Read Length	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp
Samples per Run[†]	1	6–12	4–16	4–48
Relative Price per Sample[†]	Higher Cost	Mid Cost	Lower Cost	Lower Cost
Relative Instrument Price[†]	Lower Cost	Mid Cost	Higher Cost	Higher Cost
Downloads	Spec Sheet	Spec Sheet	Spec Sheet	Spec Sheet



High Speed: 22 hrs ~24 hrs for PE150 sequencing



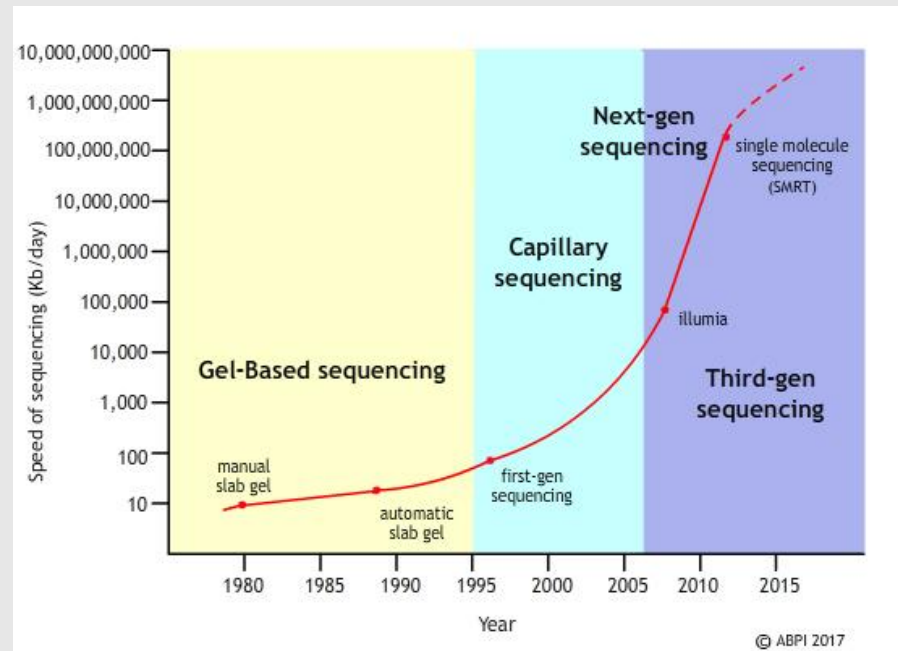
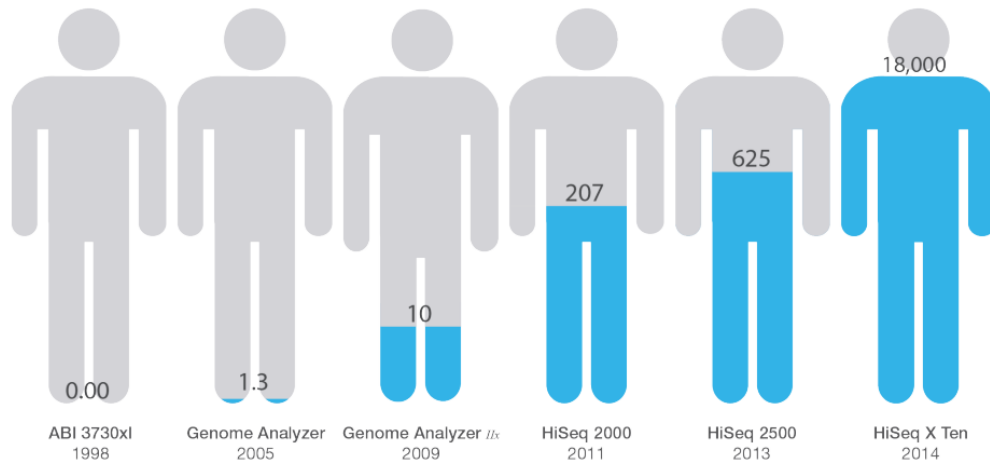
High Flexibility: 4 Flow Cells, PE150, and PE100 at the same time



Ultra-high Throughput: 7 Tb per day; high quality data around the clock



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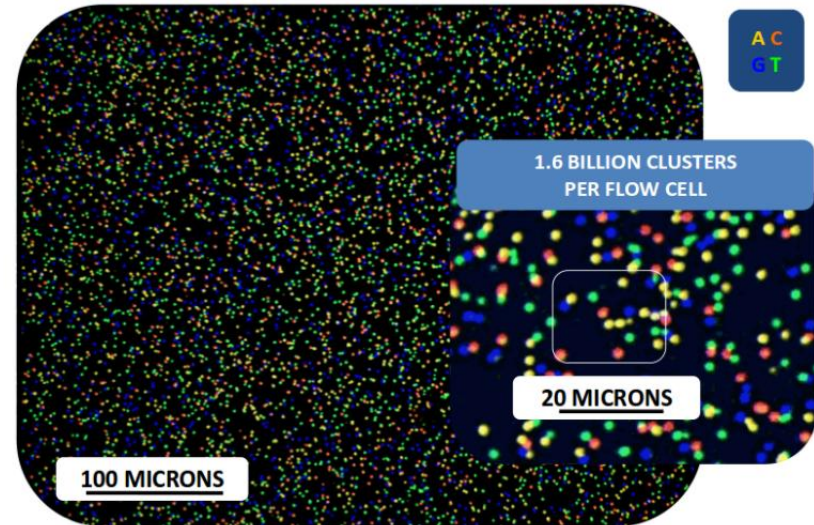
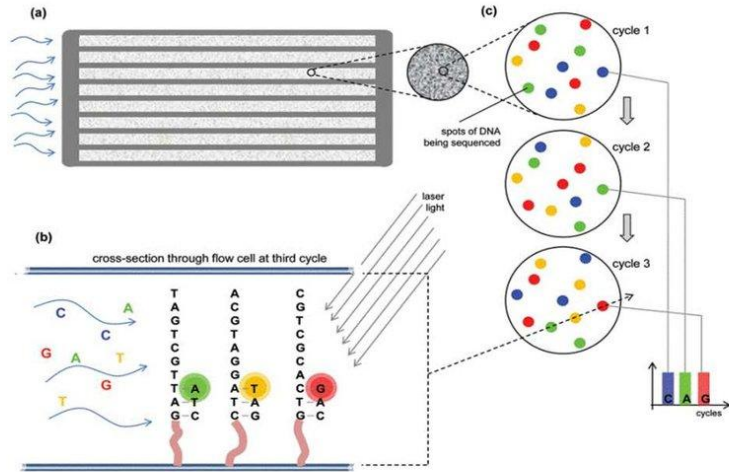
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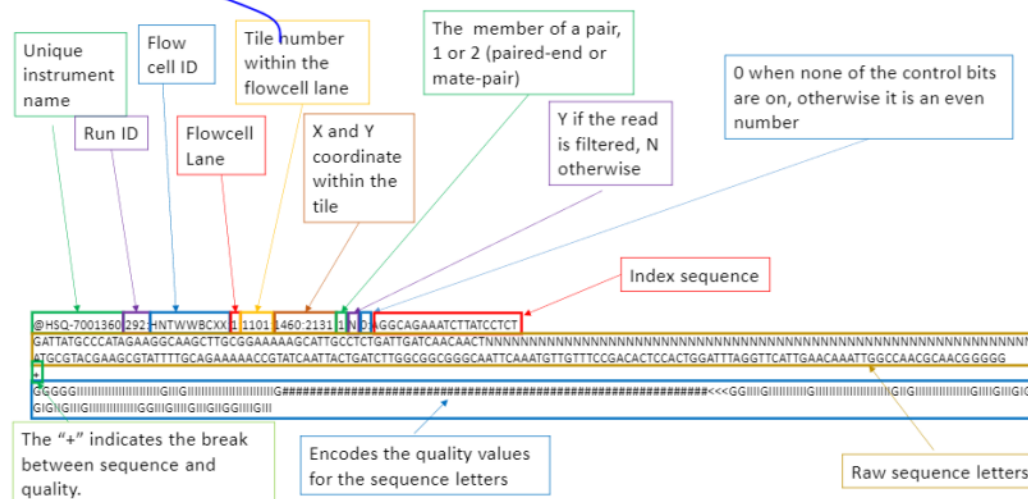
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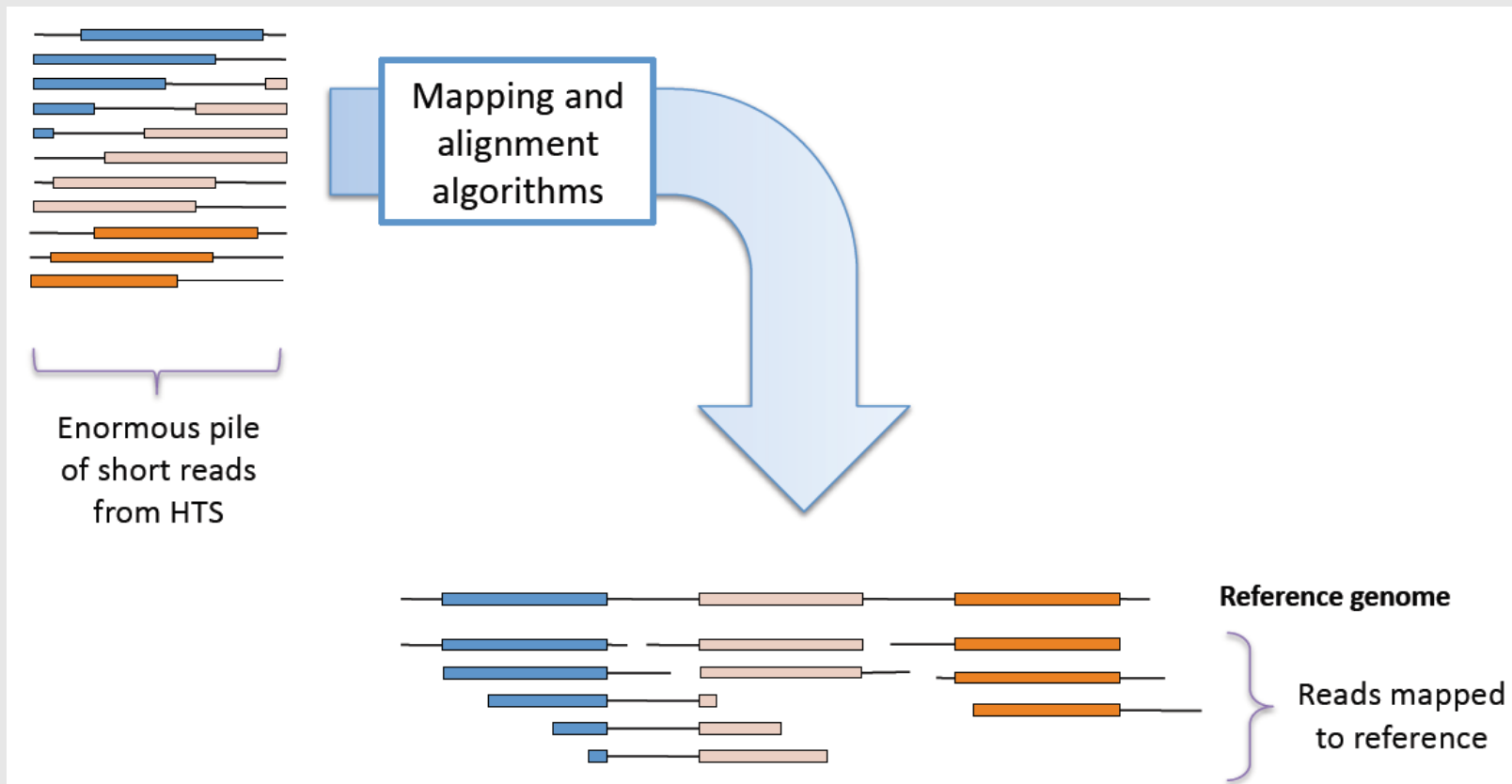


FASTQ File Format Analysis

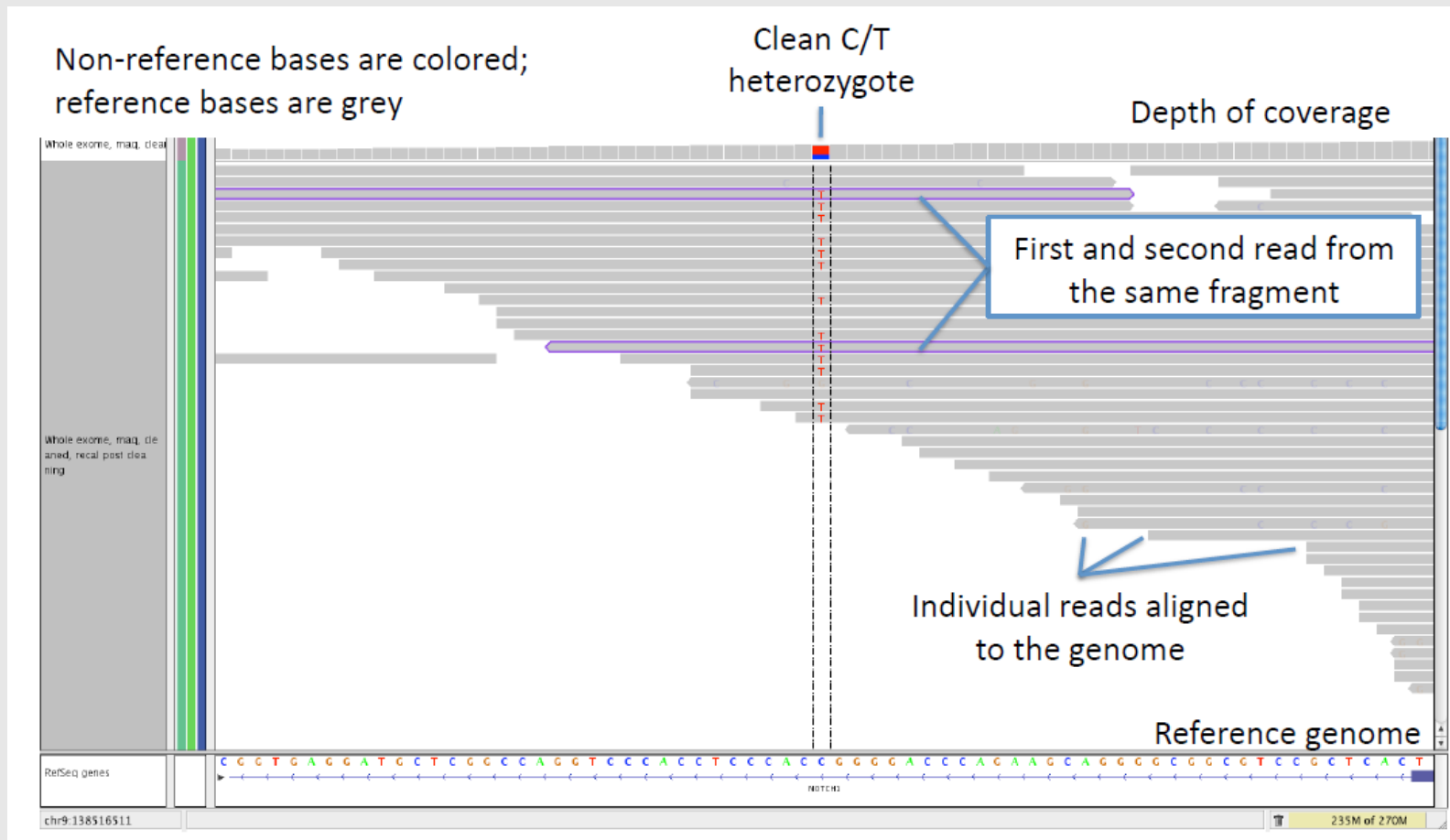




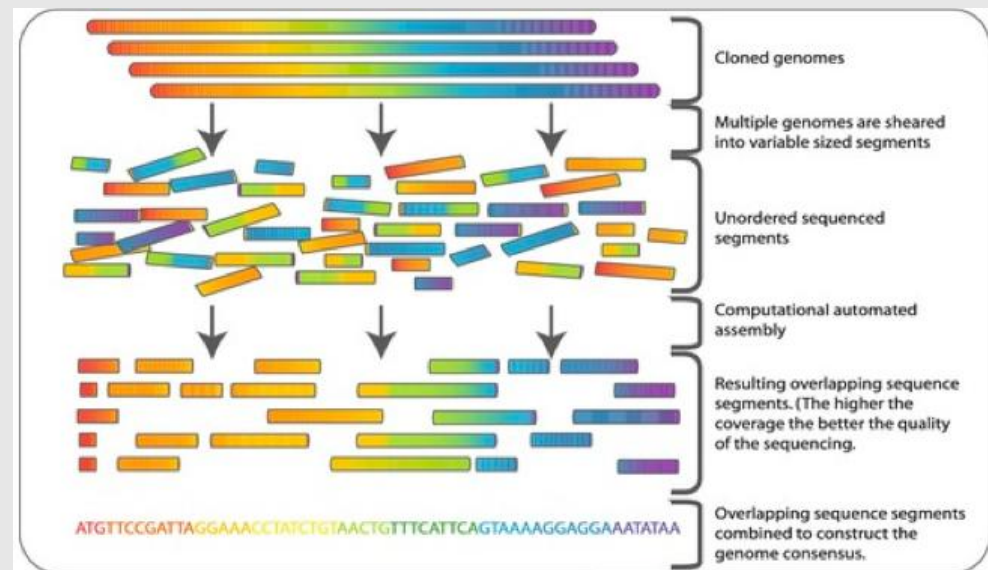
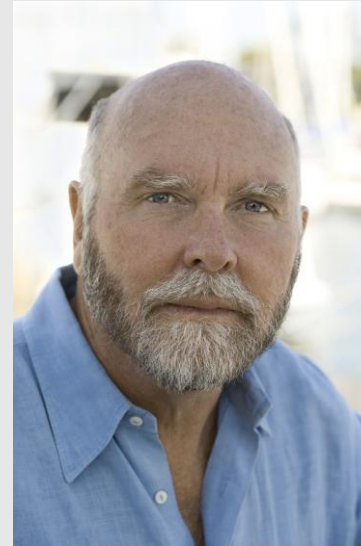
Instruments generate short reads that must be mapped to the reference



Typical screenshot representing aligned HTS reads



- 1984: Plan – Sanger sequencing
- 1990: Start at National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 1998: Craig Venter and Celera Genomics
shotgun sequencing
- 2001: Draft(s) published together with
Francis Collins of NIH
- 2004: Final published
- Size: ~3 billion base pairs
- Cost: ~\$3 billion

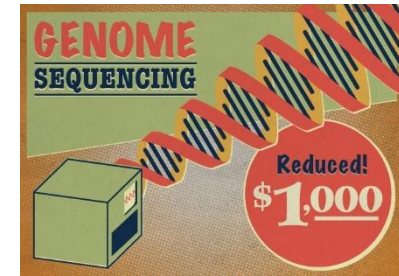


- **XPRIZES**: intended to encourage technological development that could benefit mankind
- 1996: Ansari XPRIZE for suborbital spaceflight. Claimed by SpaceShipOne in 2004 (\$10 million)
- **2006: Archon Genomics XPRIZE: \$10 million will be awarded to the first team to rapidly, accurately and economically sequence 100 whole human genomes to an unprecedented level of accuracy**
- 2007: Google Lunar XPRIZE: \$20 million to land a rover on the moon, move more than 500 m, and transmit HD images and video back to earth
- 2011: Tricorder XPRIZE: \$10 million for a mobile device that can diagnose patients as accurately as a panel of board-certified physicians

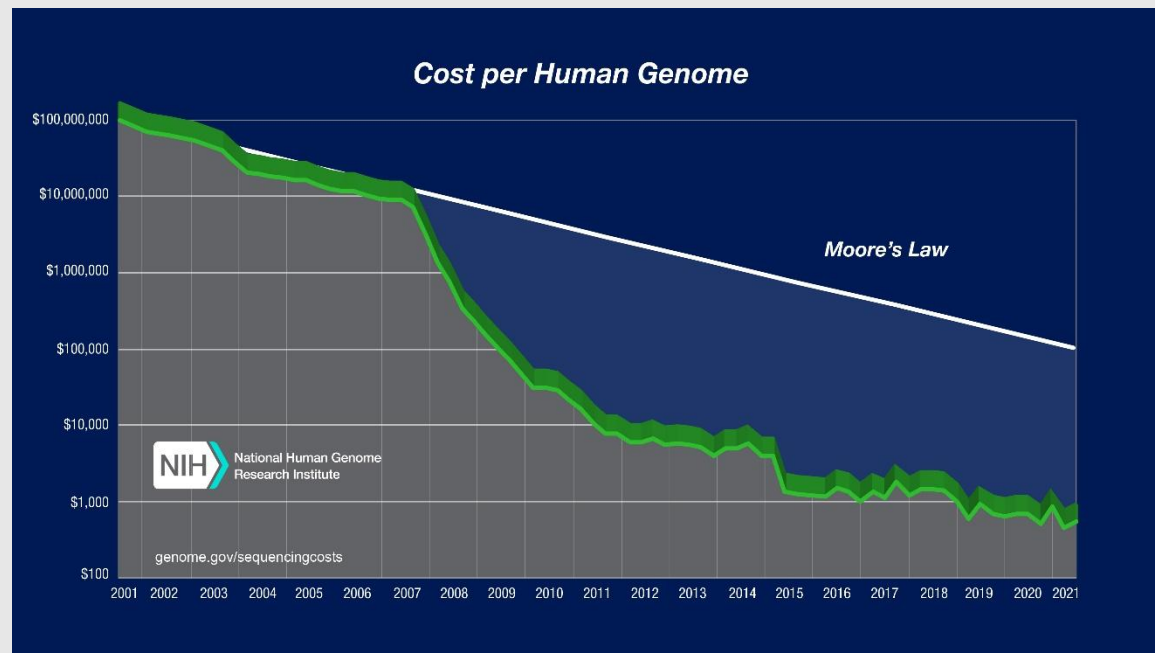




Sequencing costs



	Sanger 3730xl	454 GSFLX	Ion Proton	Illumina HiSeq	Oxford Nanopore
Generation	1	2	2	2	3
Maxread length	1,100 bp	700 bp	200 bp	150 bp	15,000 bp
Max output	0.1Mb	700 Mb	1,000 Mb	1,800,000 Mb	400 Mb
Error rate	0.1% (1:1000)	1% (1:100)	1% (1:100)	0.1% (1:1000)	25% (1:4)
Cost per Mb	£1000	£5	£0.05	£0.005	£0.50



1000 genomes project

- 2008: Launched
- Establish a detailed catalogue of **human genetic variation** correlated with ethnicities
- Sequence 1000 anonymous participants from various ethnic groups within 3 years
- **2012**: 1092 genomes announced
- Each person carries **250-300 loss- of- function variants** in annotated genes
- **50-100 variants** previously implicated in inherited disorders
- Mutation rate of **10-8 per bp per generation** (based on mother-father- child trios)
- 1000 nematode genomes, 1000 plant genomes, Genome 10K project, etc.

1000 Genomes

A Deep Catalog of Human Genetic Variation



RNA Sequencing

- mRNA Sequencing
- Targeted RNA Sequencing
- Ribosome Profiling
- RNA Exome Capture Sequencing
- Total RNA Sequencing
- Small RNA Sequencing
- Ultra-Low-Input and Single-Cell RNA-Seq

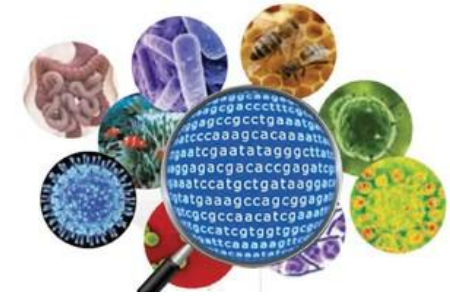
Methylation Sequencing

DNA Sequencing

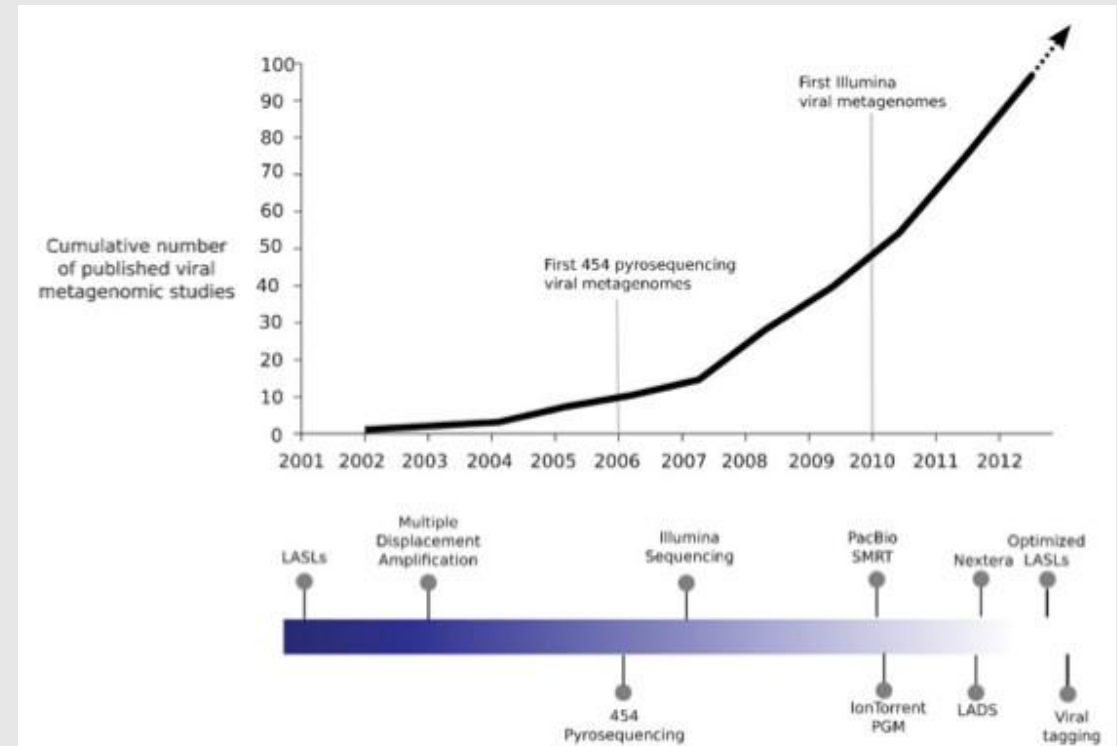
- Whole-Genome Sequencing
- Targeted Sequencing
- ChIP-Seq
- ATAC-Seq



Metagenomics

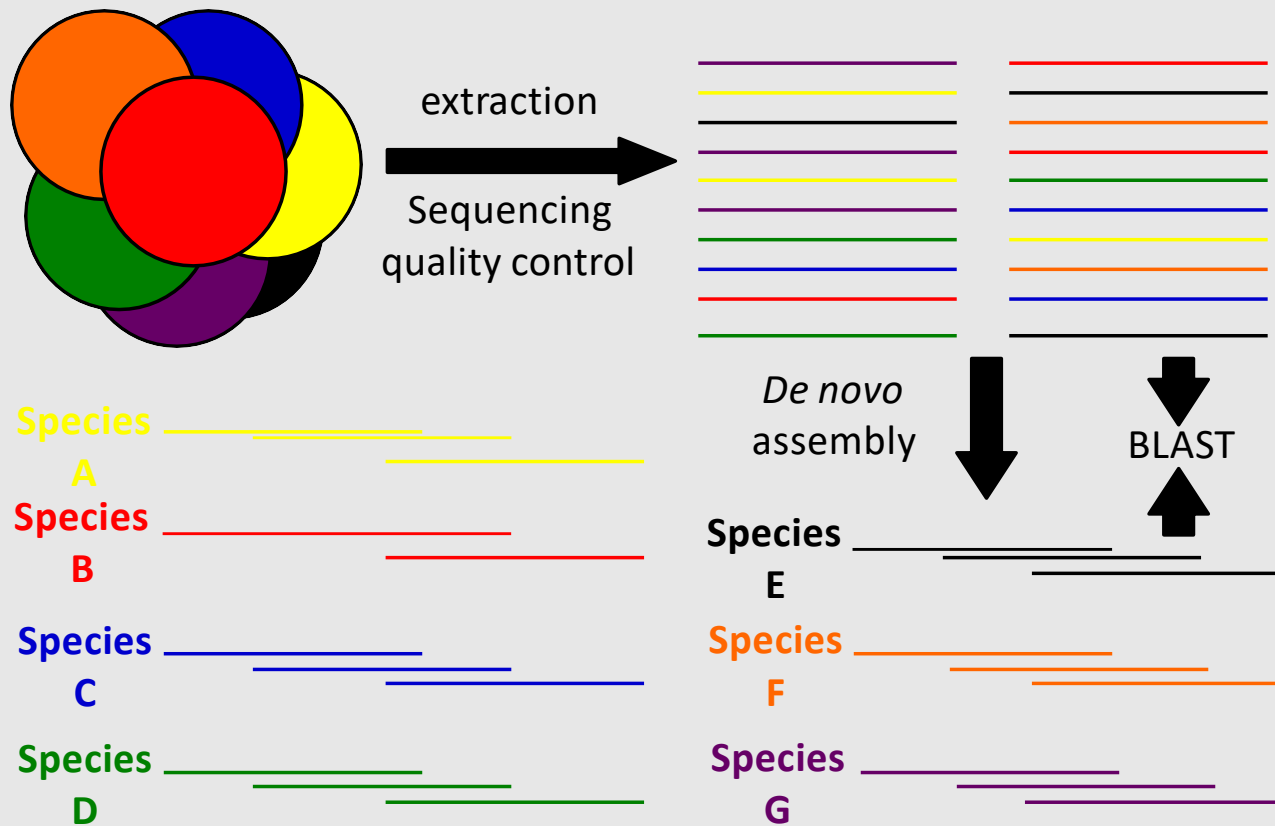


- **Metagenomics** can be defined as the sequenced-based analysis of the **whole collection of genomes** isolated directly from a sample
- The advantage is that **isolation is not needed** – only extraction and sequencing (although there's more to it than that!)
- Bacteria and archaea: 16S rRNA gene, relatively short, often conserved within species, and generally different among species
- **Viruses**: often present with a large excess of host DNA, making their efficient and reliable detection problematic



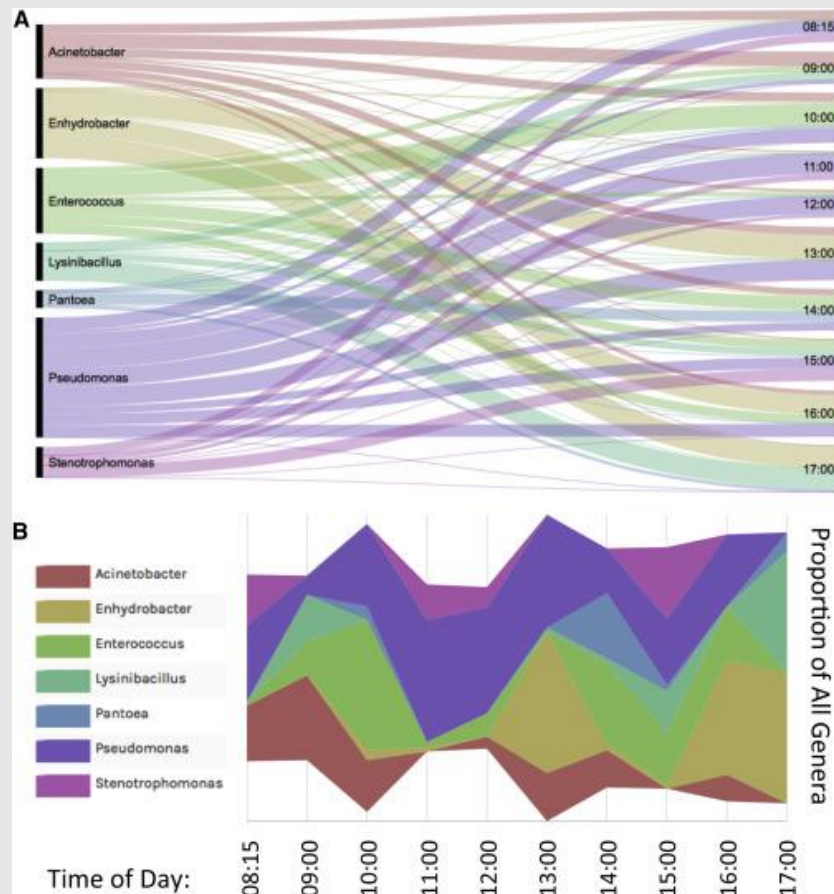


Metagenomics methods



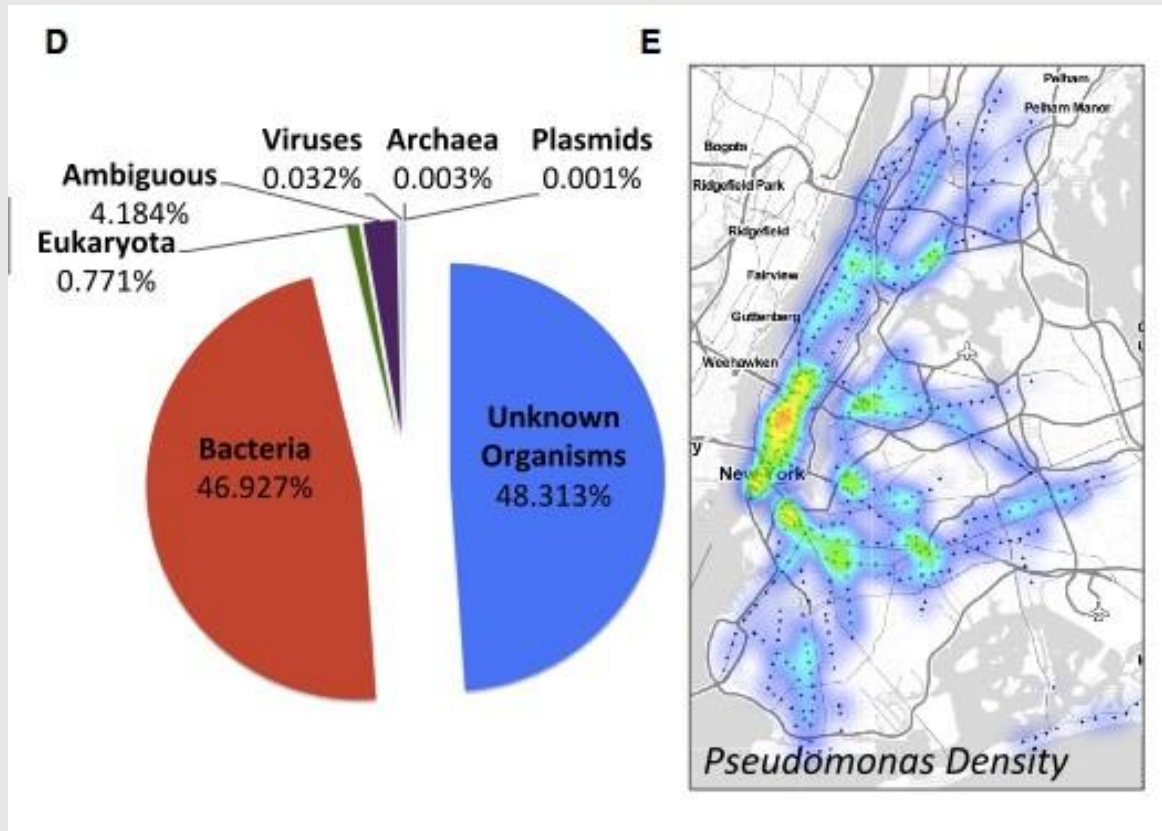


Metagenomics – detection



Analysis of samples collected at Penn Station on one day, compared at each hour

- Saunders et al. (2012): Geospatial resolution of human and bacterial diversity with city-scale metagenomics



Geospatial analysis of the most prevalent genus, *Pseudomonas*, across the subway system

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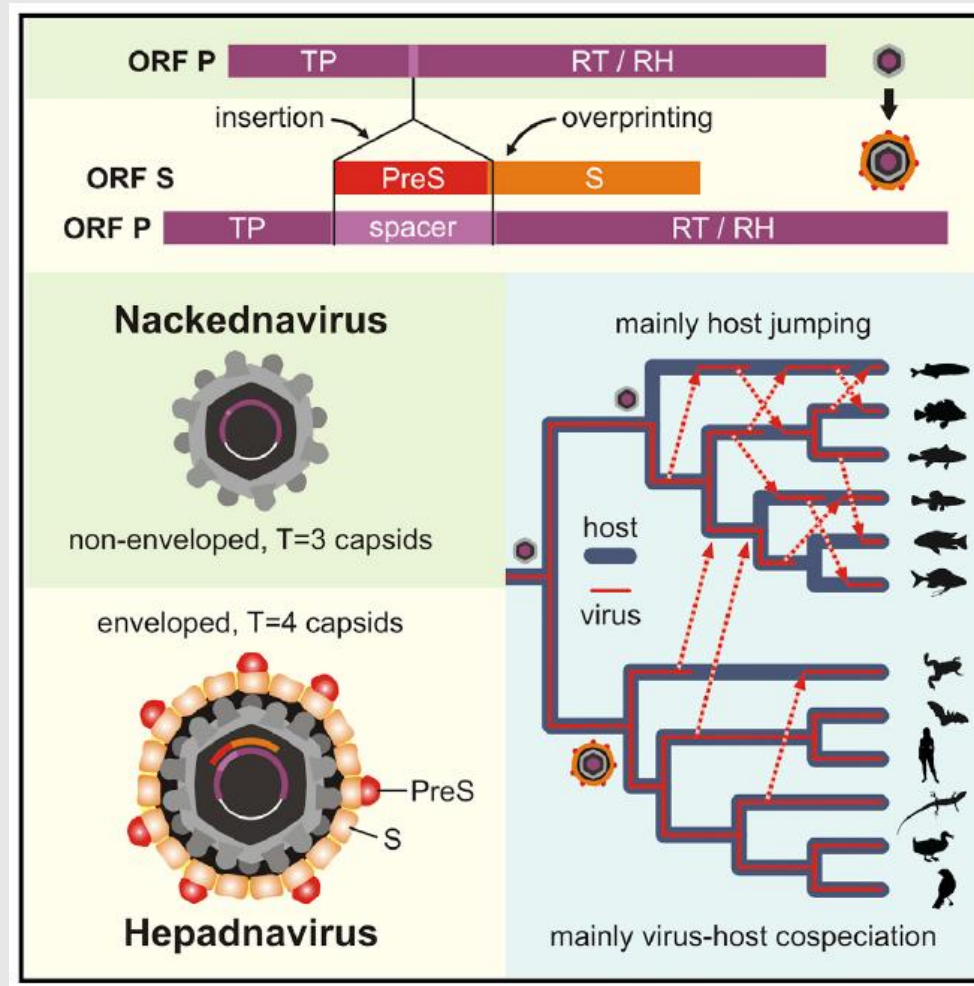


weird news (<http://www.mtv.com/news/collective/weird-news/>)

Scientists Basically Just Discovered Alien Life – In The NYC Subway

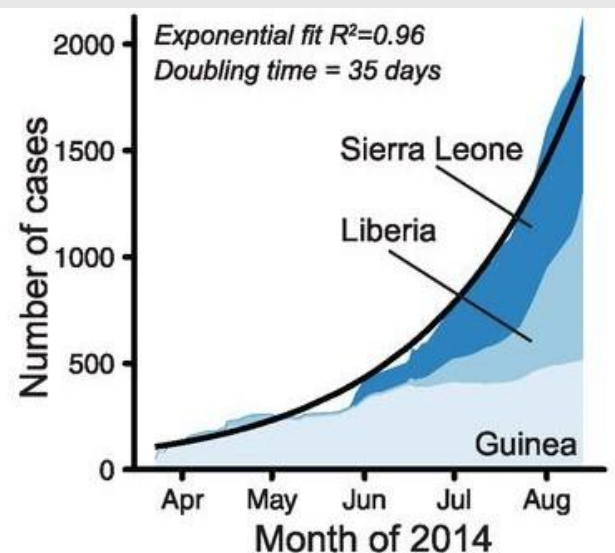
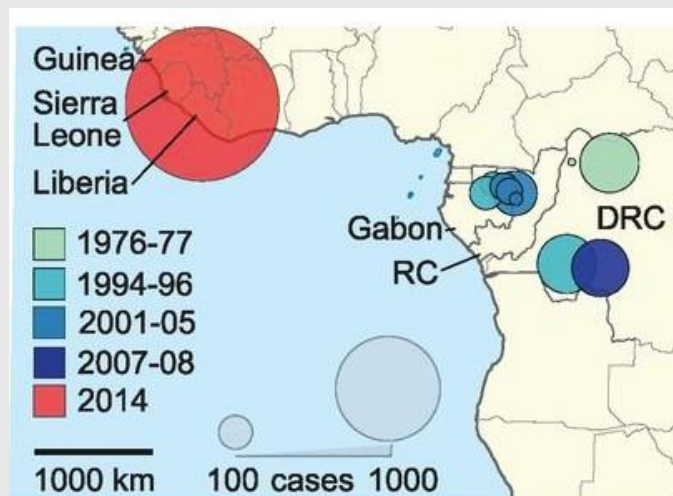
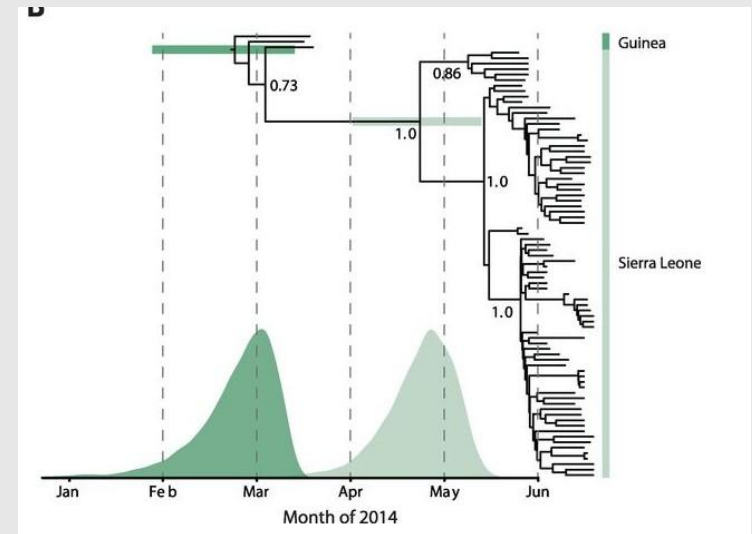
Nearly half of the germs on the train are unrecognizable even to the experts.

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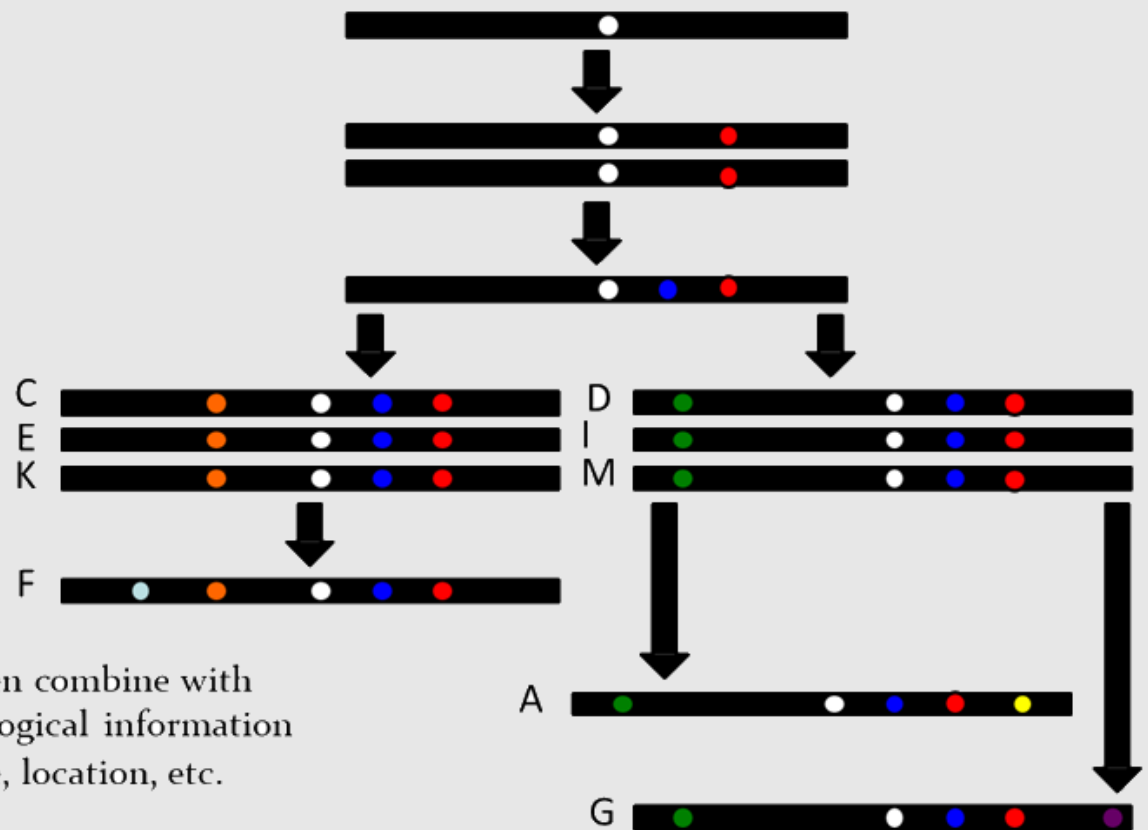
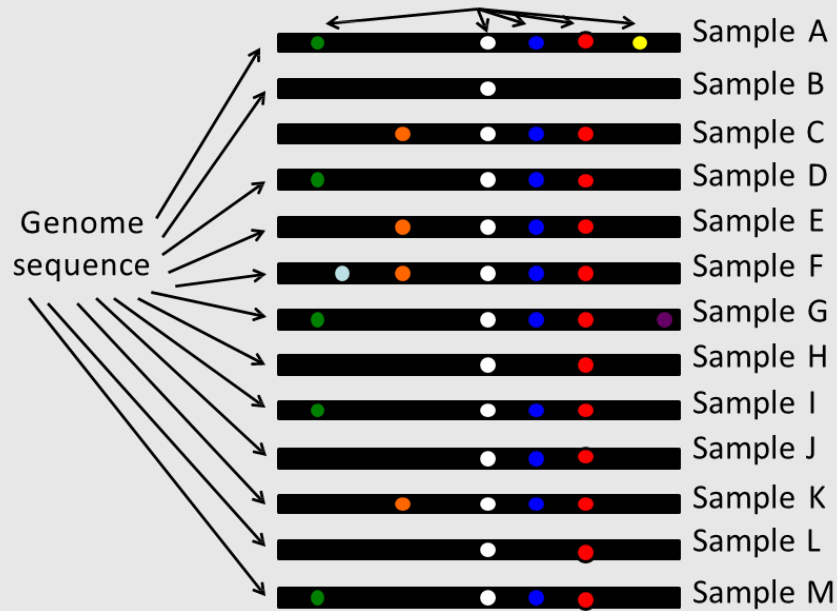
- Lauber & Seitz et al. (2017): Deciphering the Origin and Evolution of Hepatitis B Viruses by Means of a Family of Non-enveloped Fish Viruses

- The 2013-2015 West Africa Ebola epidemic, 26648 cases, 11017 deaths
- HTS used throughout the epidemic to sequence Ebola virus genomes from patient samples
- Used to monitor viral evolution: how fast is it mutating, where is it mutating, which selection pressures are operating





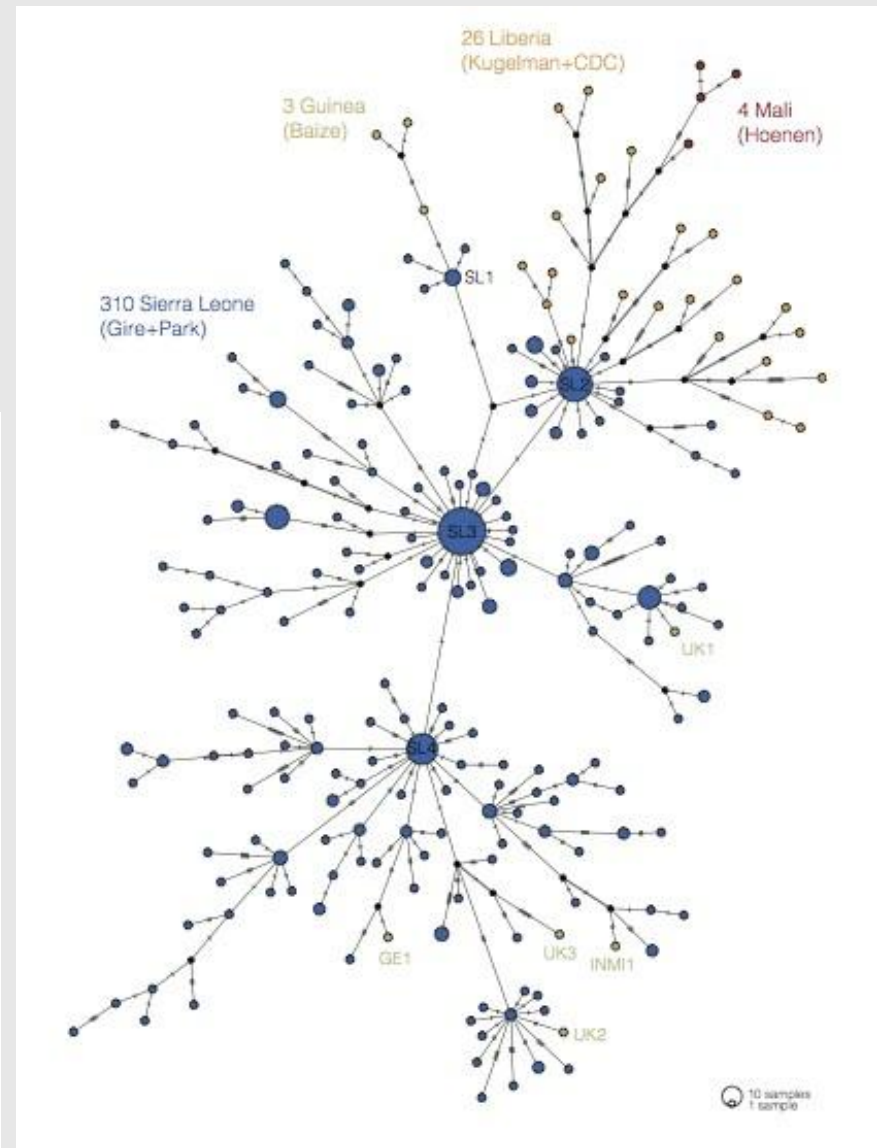
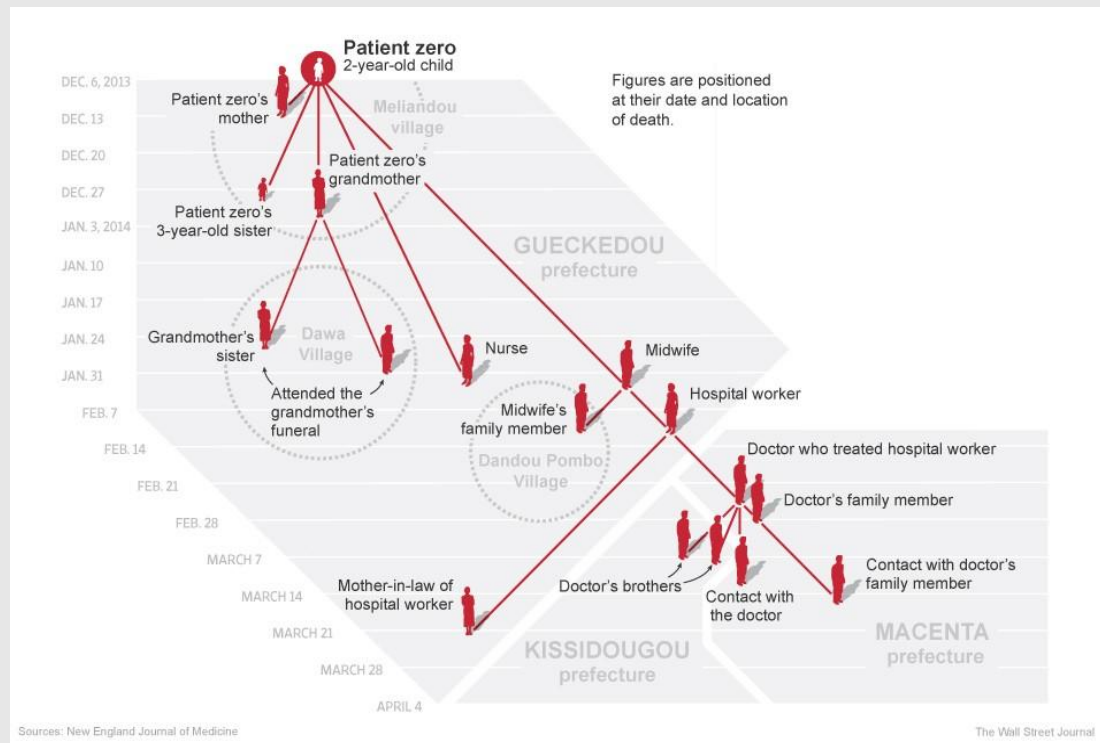
Epidemics – who infected whom?



Can then combine with
epidemiological information
– date, location, etc.

Epidemics – who infected whom?

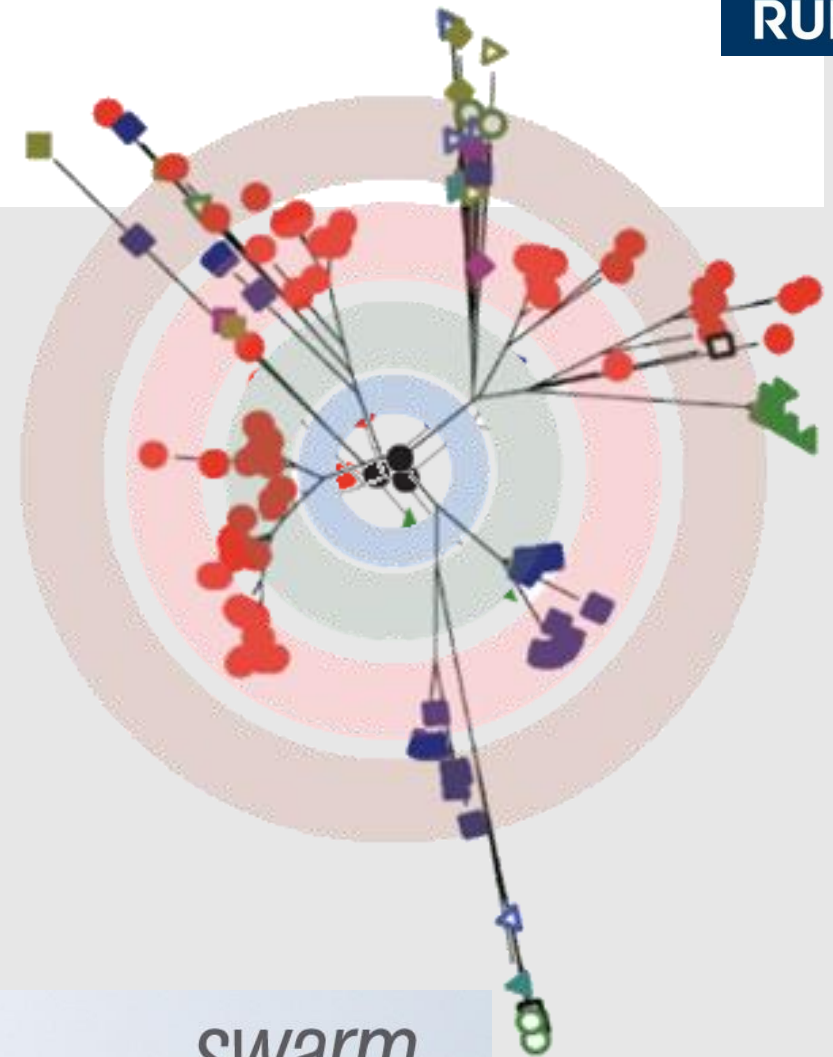
- Identify source of infection
- Identify long transmission events
- Identify super-spreaders – individual or hub level
- Identify new incursions or spillovers





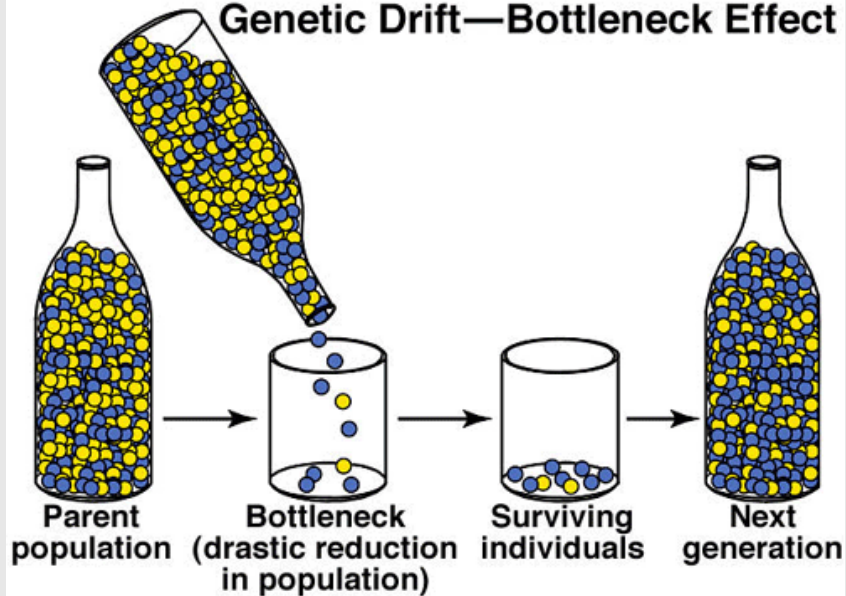
Viral populations

- Viruses **mutate rapidly**
- A single virus can enter a cell, and output tens of thousands of virions within hours
- Every time the genome is copied, **mutations** are introduced
- Enables viruses to **adapt** to change rapidly
- New environments
- New hosts
- Drug and vaccine treatment
- Viruses exist as a large and constantly and rapidly evolving swarm – the **quasispecies**



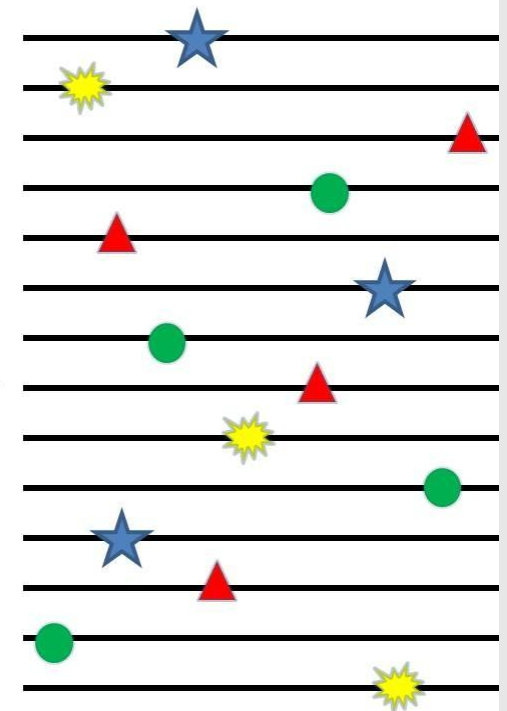
Bottlenecks and Founder Effect

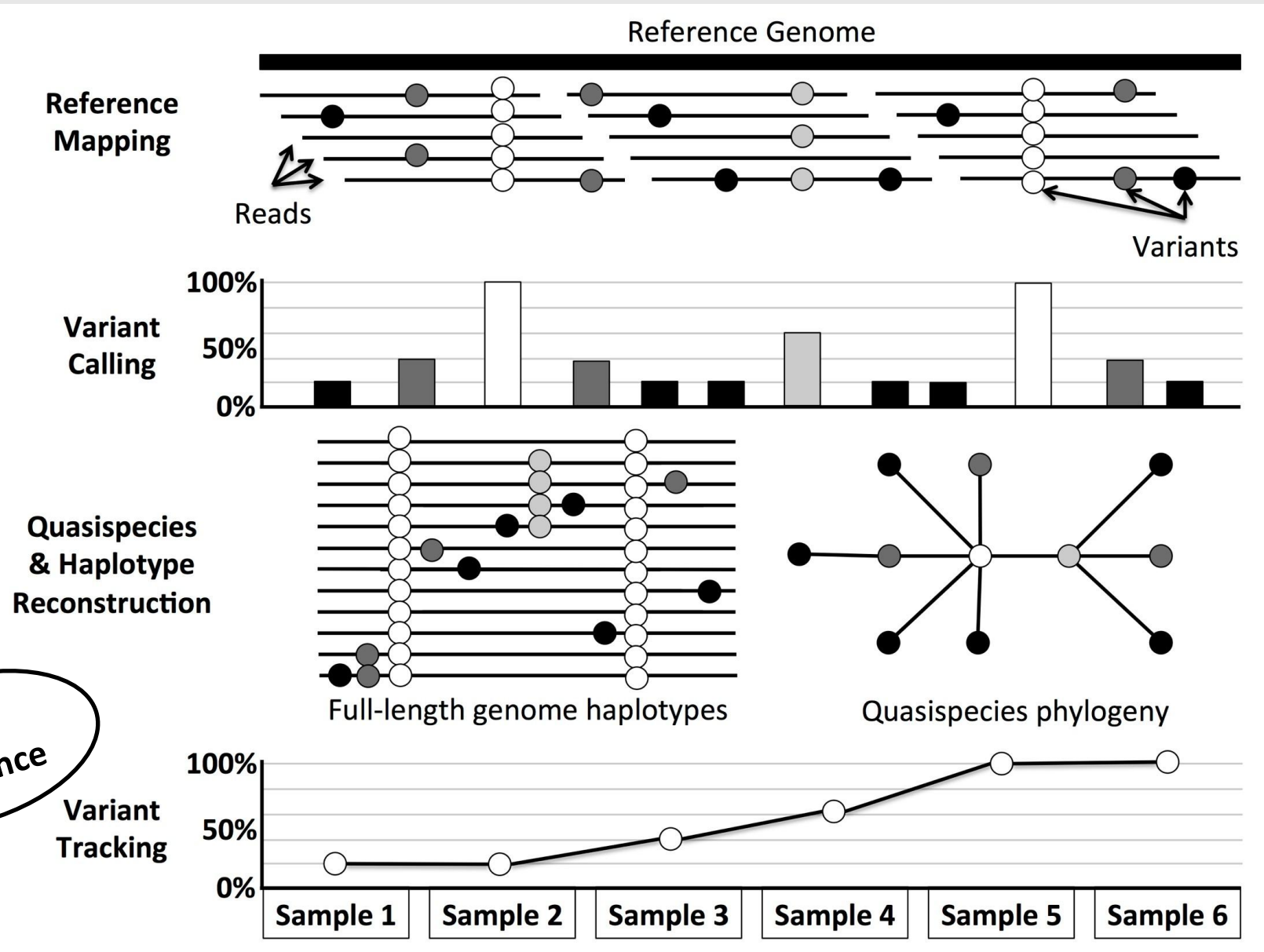
Genetic Drift—Bottleneck Effect



Initial founder virus

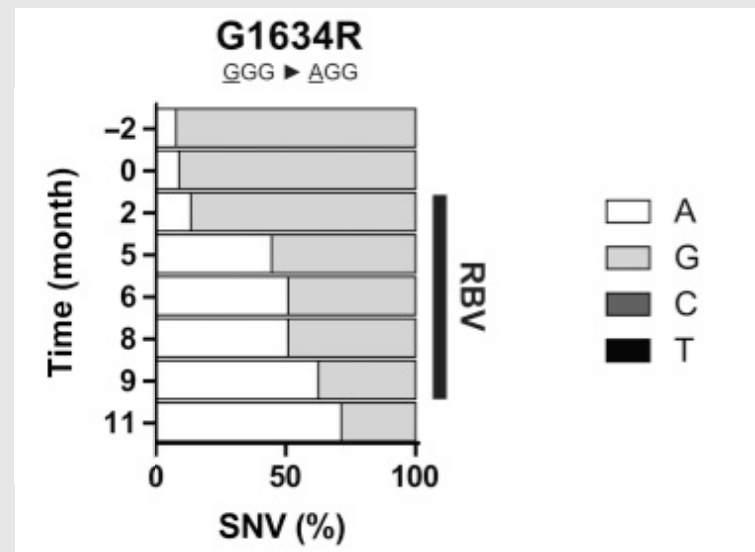
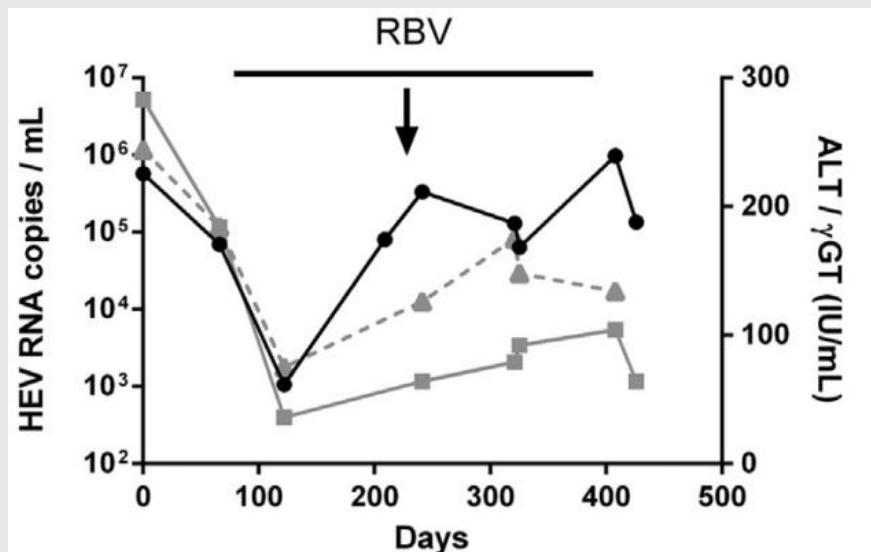
Expanded Quasi-species





- Ability to detect mutations at **low levels** in a sample
- Can then examine samples for the presence of important mutations: e.g. **drug resistance**

➤ Hepatitis E virus



- clinical application in HIV diagnostics!



Third generation sequencing

Third generation sequencing



- Advantages over second generation sequencing:
 - Very long reads (Oxford nanopore)
 - Real time output
 - scRNAseq (10x Genomics)

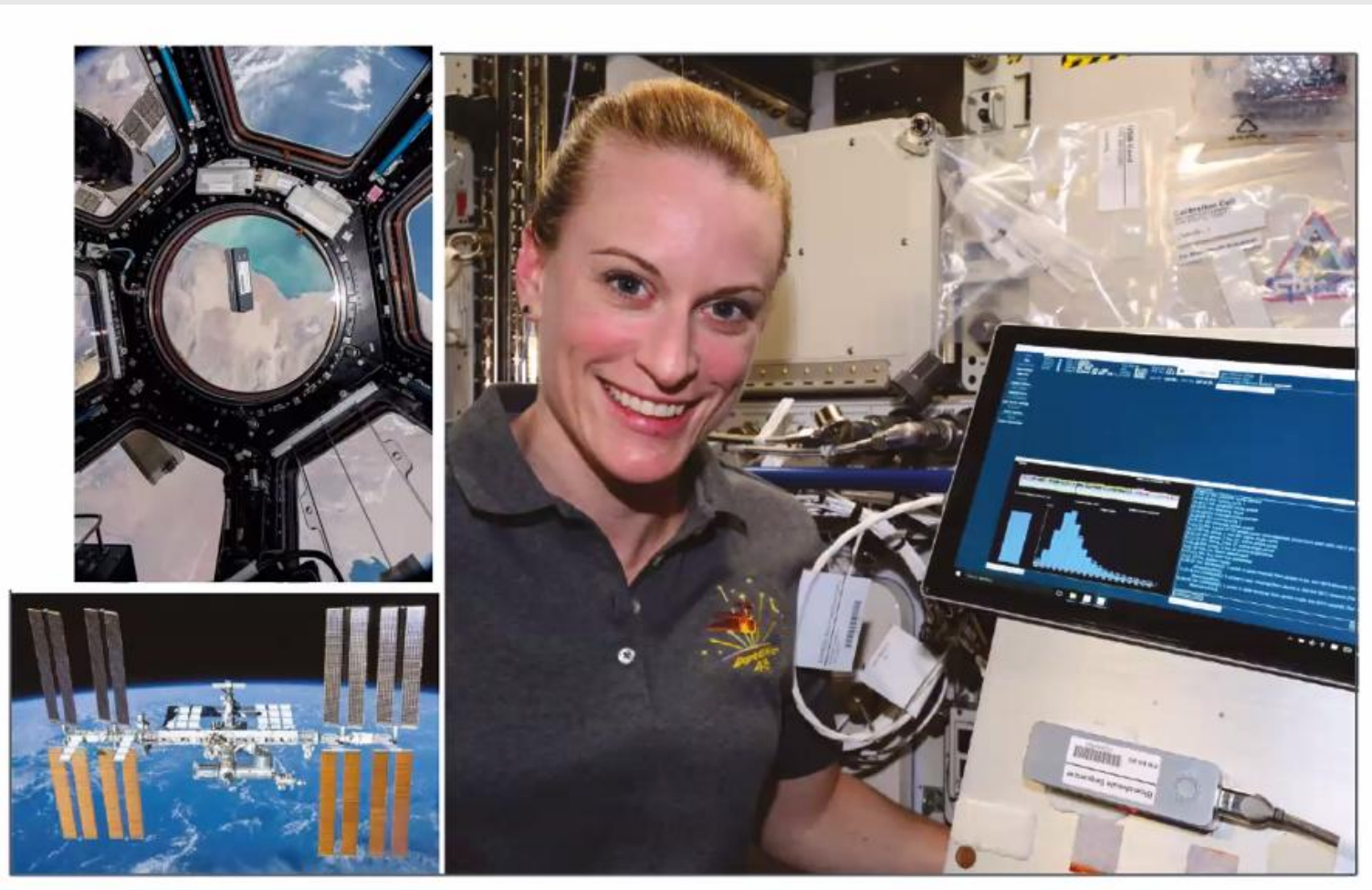




Oxford nanopore sequencing (ONT)

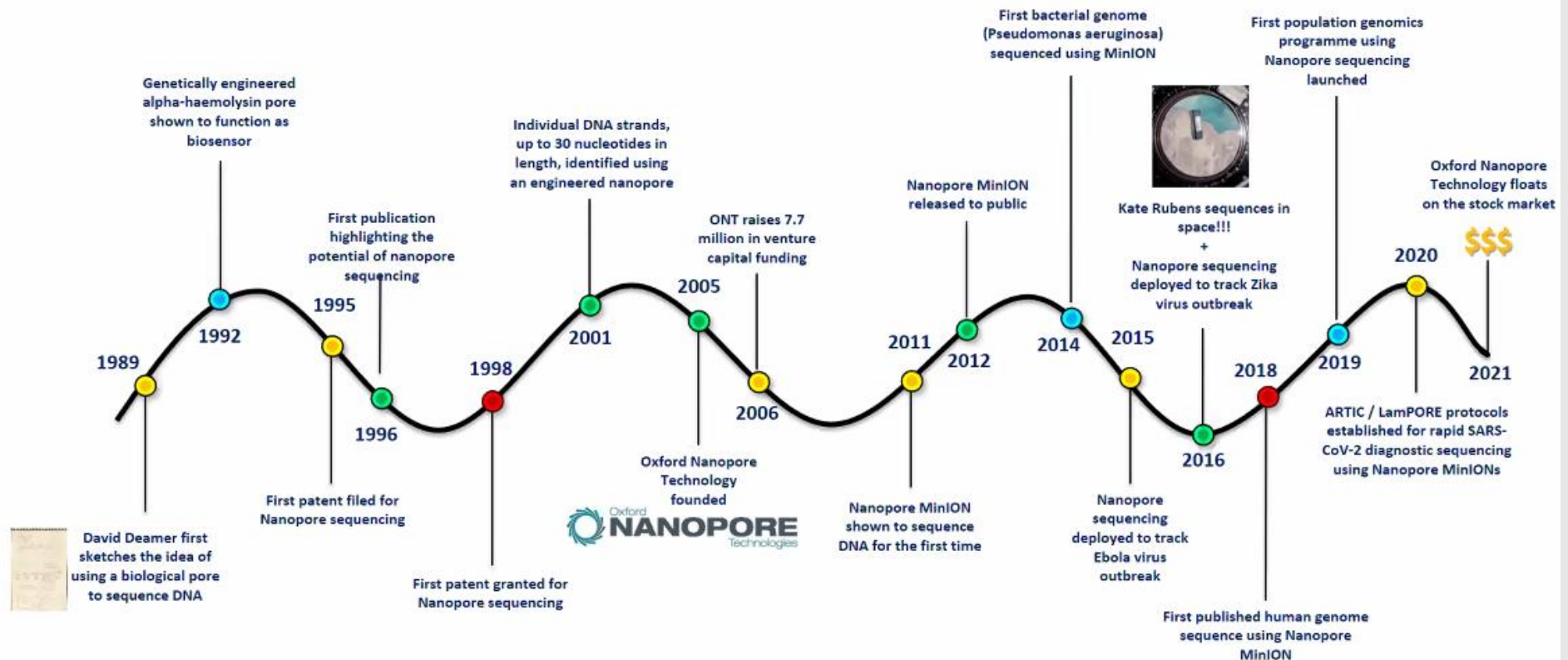
2016 - Kate Rubens becomes the first person to ever sequence in space

investigated the effects of microgravity on RNA isolation and PCR analysis



+ she is a virologist!!!

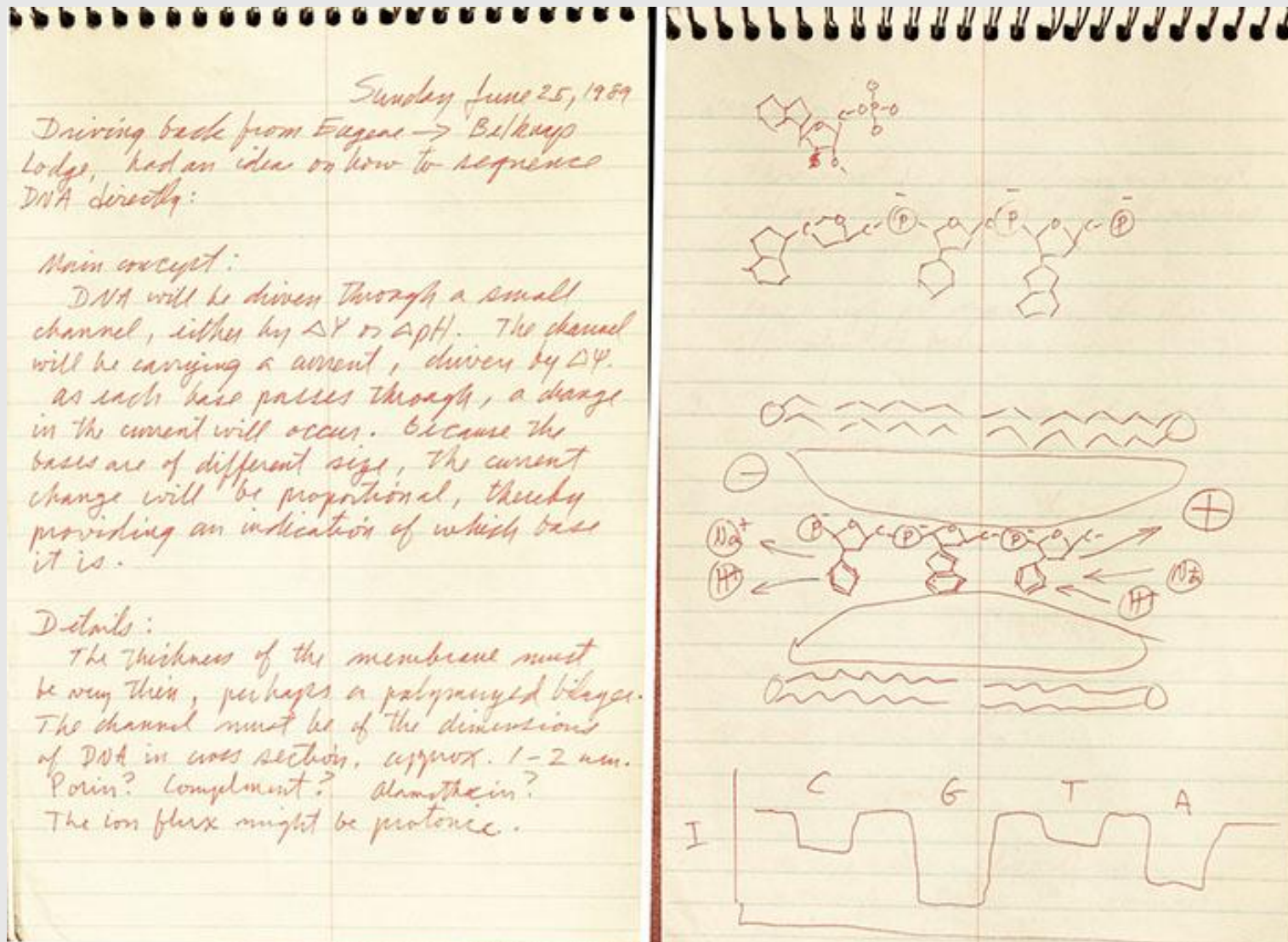
A brief history of nanopore sequencing



Key publications

- Kasianowicz et al (1996) Characterization of individual polynucleotide molecules using a membrane channel. *PNAS*
- Clarke et al (2009) Continuous base identification for single-molecule nanopore DNA sequencing. *Nature Biotechnology*
- Cherf et al (2012) Automated forward and reverse ratcheting of DNA in a nanopore at five angstrom precision. *Nature Biotechnology*
- Deamer et al (2016) Three decades of nanopore sequencing. *Nature Biotechnology*
- Garalde et al (2018) Highly parallel direct RNA sequencing on an array of nanopores. *Nature Methods*
- Jain et al (2018) Nanopore sequencing and assembly of a human genome with ultra-long reads. *Nature Biotechnology*

Professor David Deamer's initial sketch for sequencing DNA using a nanopore

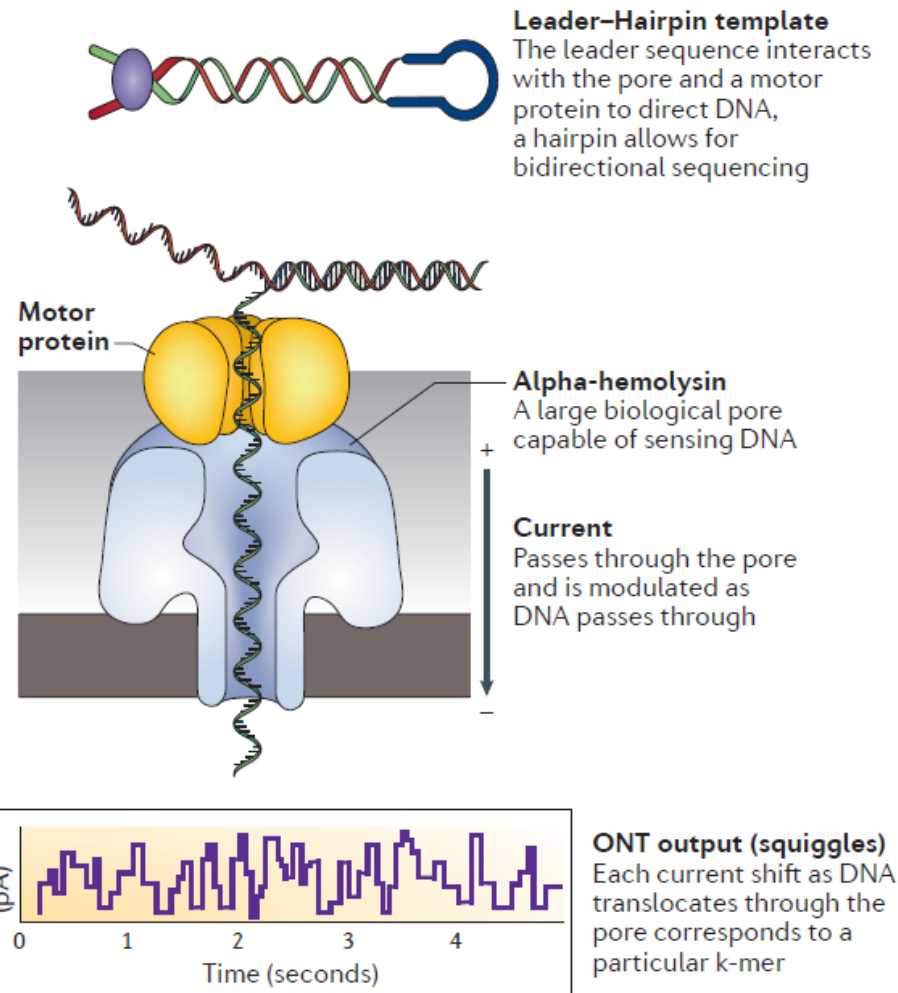


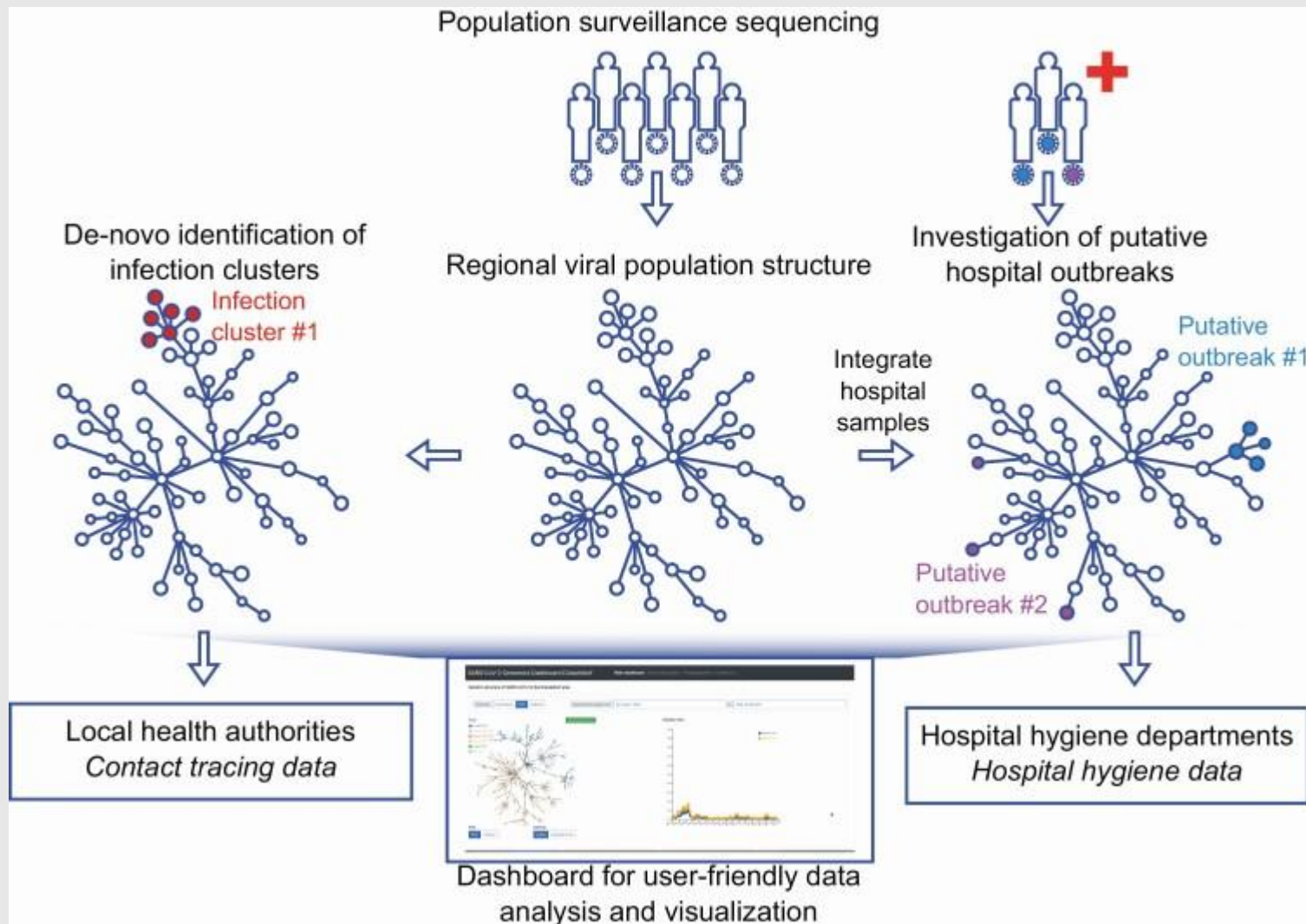
Oxford Nanopore

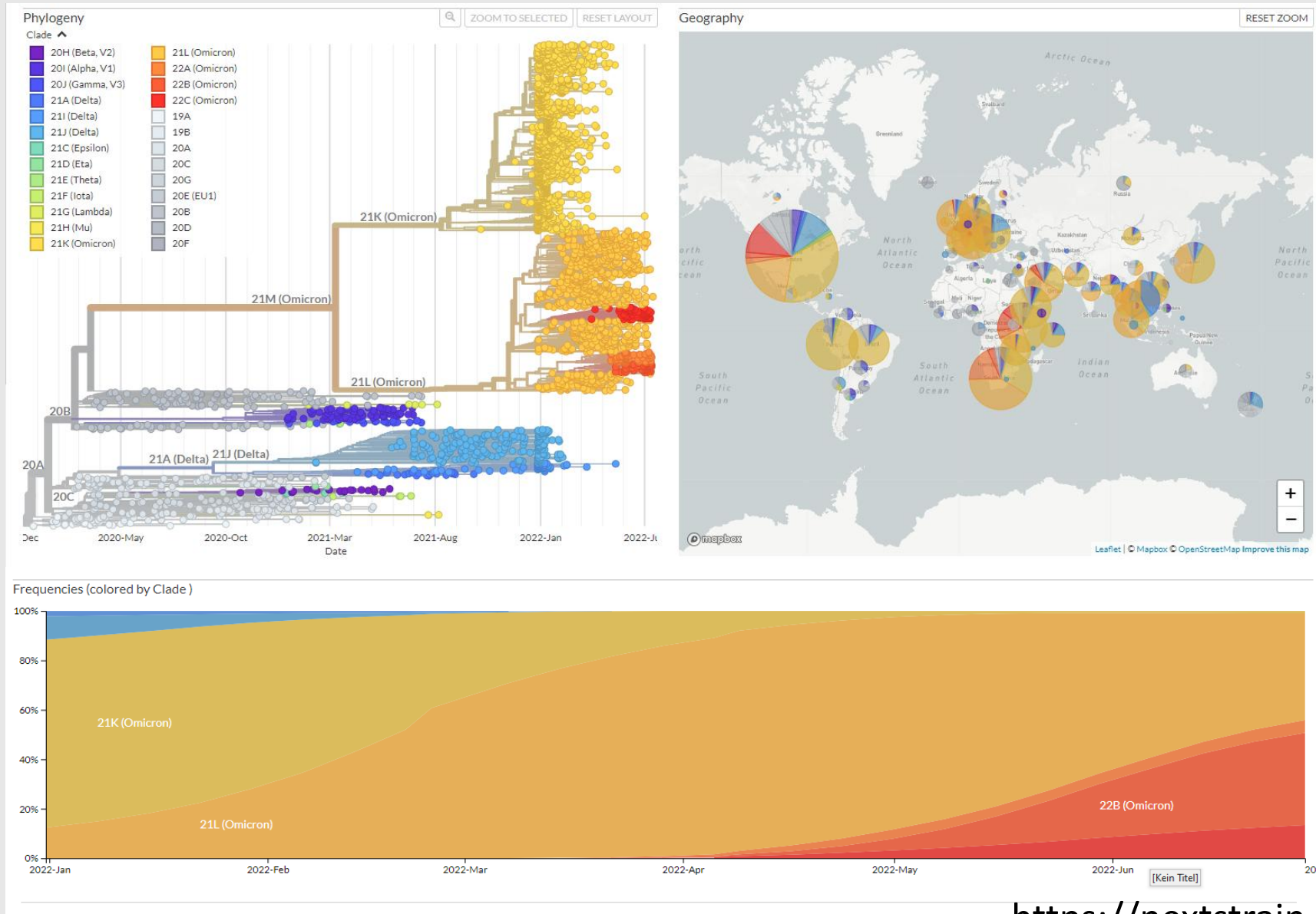


- **'Strand sequencing'** is a technique that passes intact DNA polymers through a protein nanopore, sequencing in real time as the DNA translocates the pore
- Simple sample preparation
- Nucleotide base detected as passes through pore (median kmers 5nt)
- Very long reads, up to 15,000 bp
- Small and portable devices useable in field studies (**MinION**), benchtop system for high throughput (**PromethION**) and for use with mobile devices (**SmidgION**)
- High error rate

Ab Oxford Nanopore Technologies







Frequencies (colored by Clade)



Genomic epidemiology of monkeypox virus

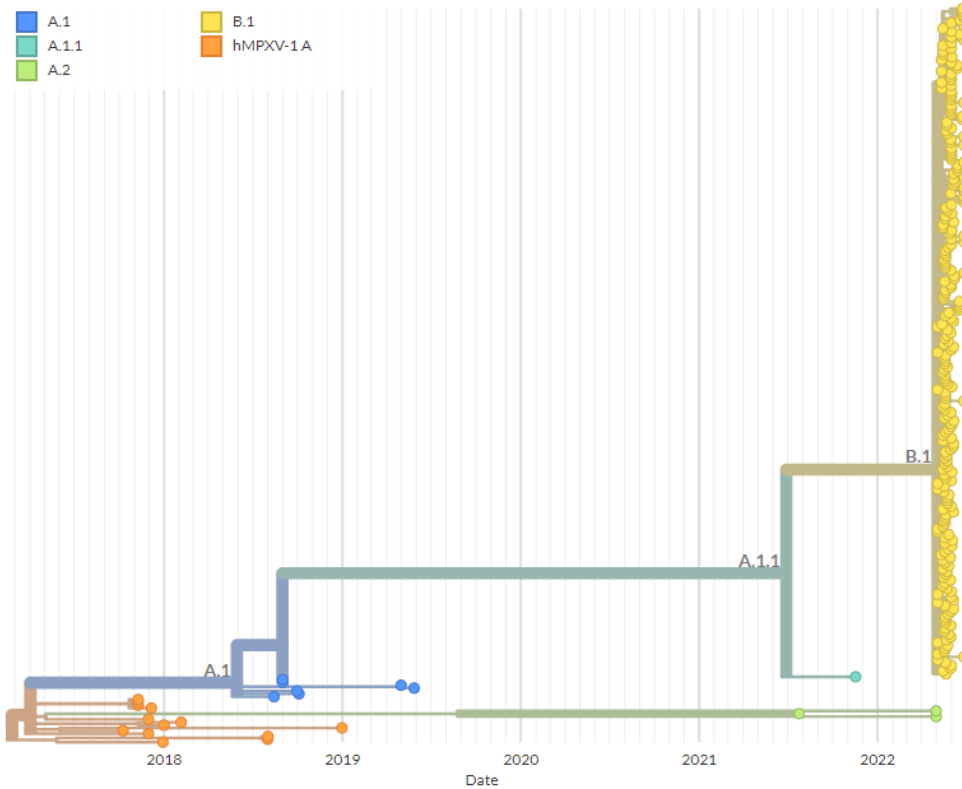
Built with nextstrain/monkeypox. Maintained by Nextstrain team. Enabled by data from GenBank.

Showing 259 of 259 genomes sampled between Oct 2017 and Jun 2022.

Phylogeny

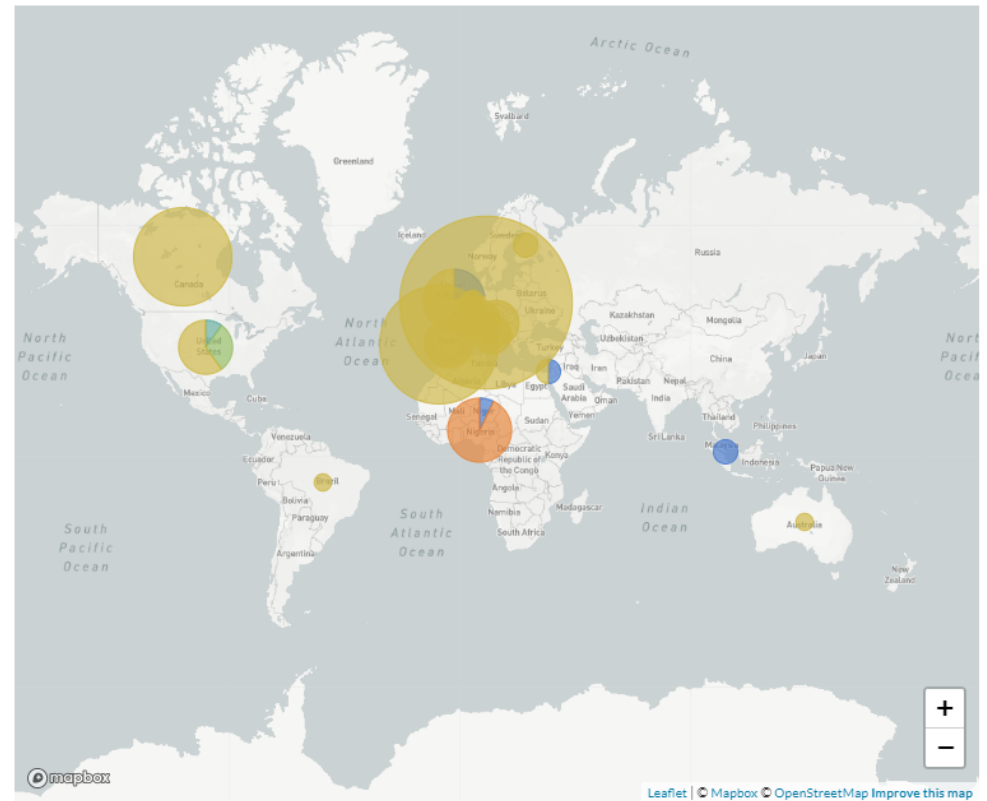
Clade ^

- A.1
- A.1.1
- A.2
- B.1
- hMPXV-1A



Geography

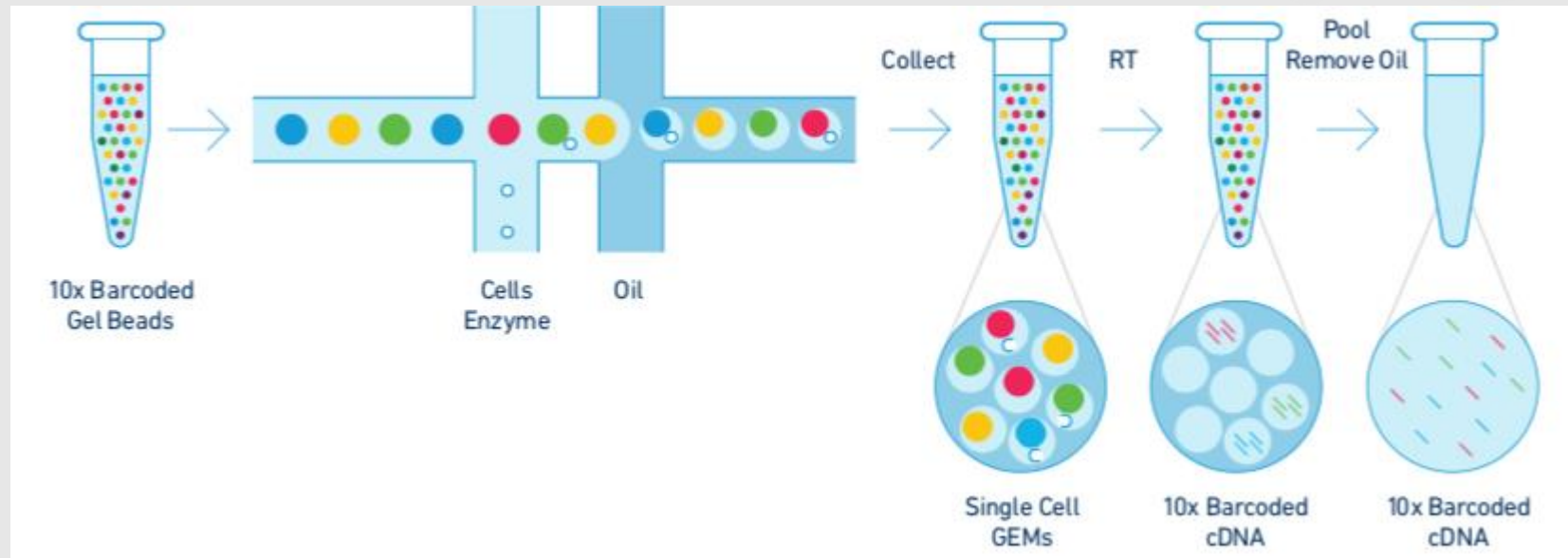
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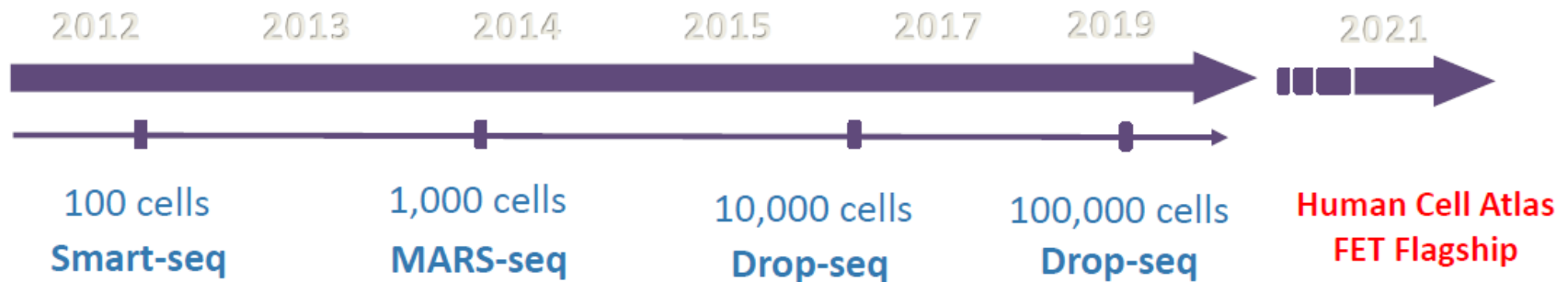
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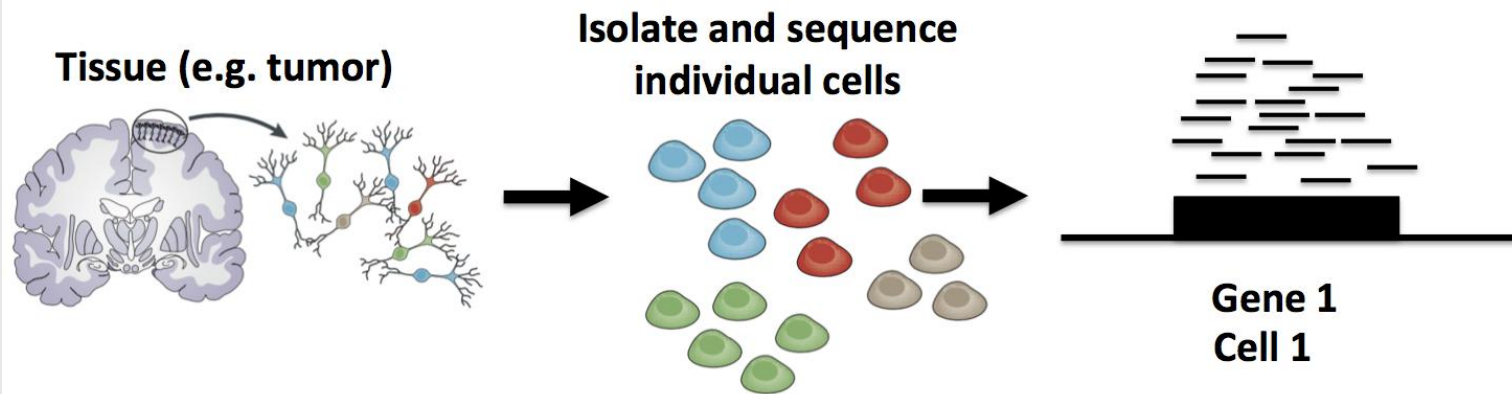
Single Cell sequencing



Timeline of single cell RNA-seq



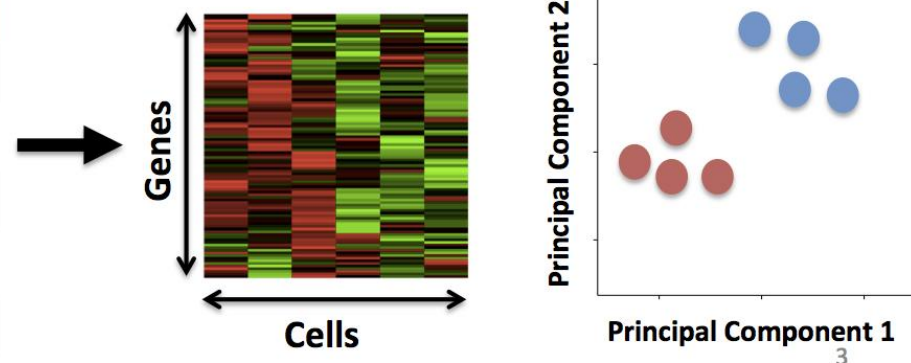
Single-cell RNA-Seq (scRNA-Seq)



Read Counts

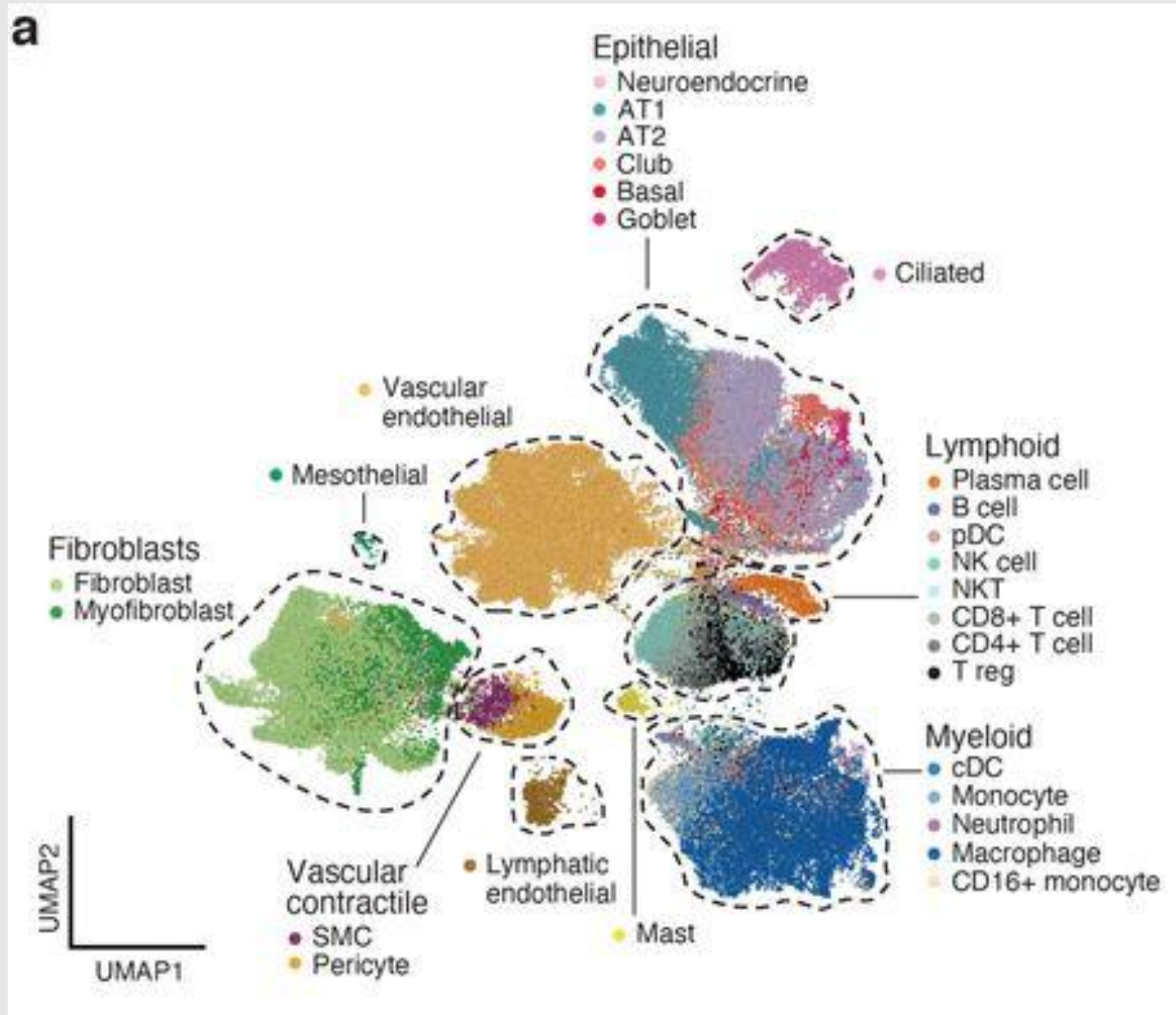
	Cell 1	Cell 2	...
Gene 1	18	0	
Gene 2	1010	506	
Gene 3	0	49	
Gene 4	22	0	
...			

Compare gene expression profiles of single cells



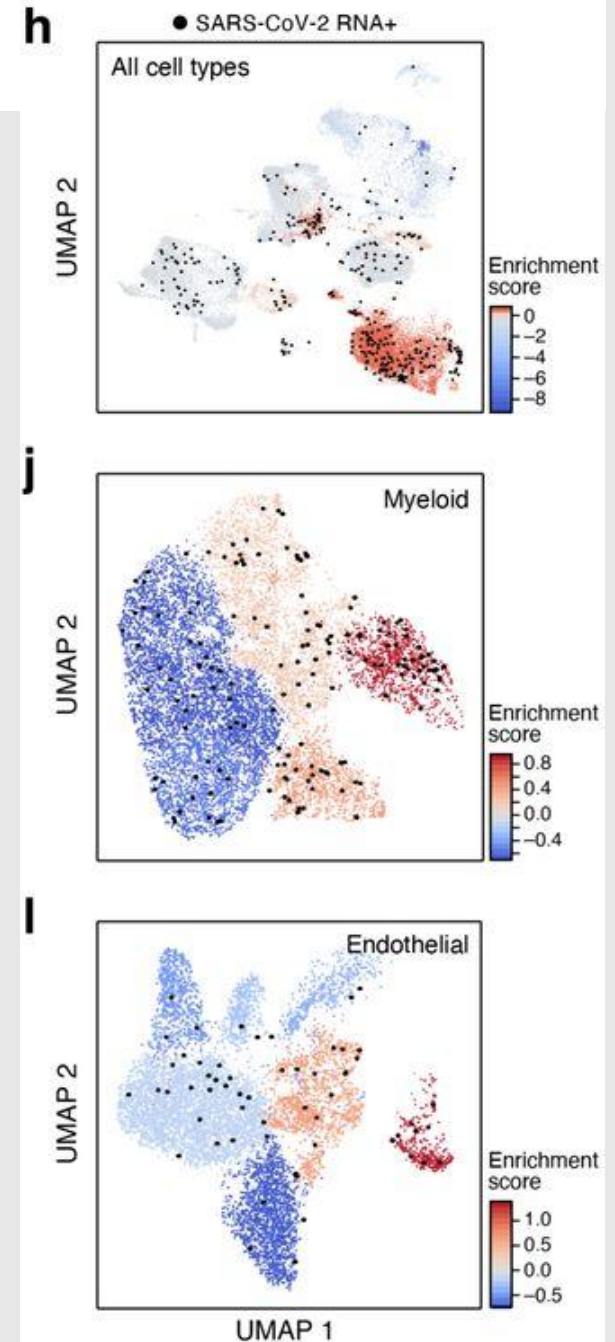
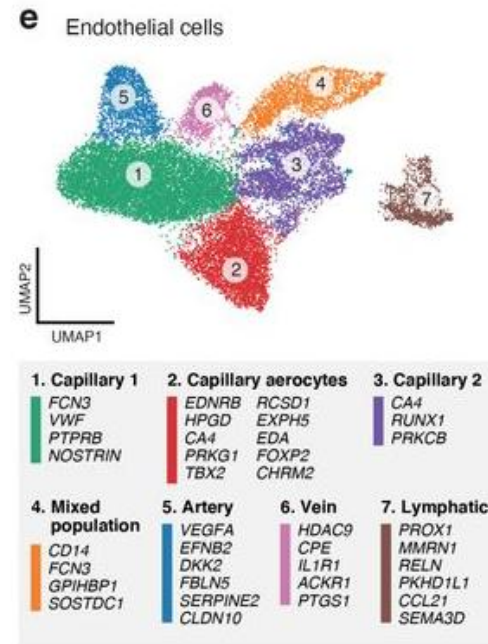
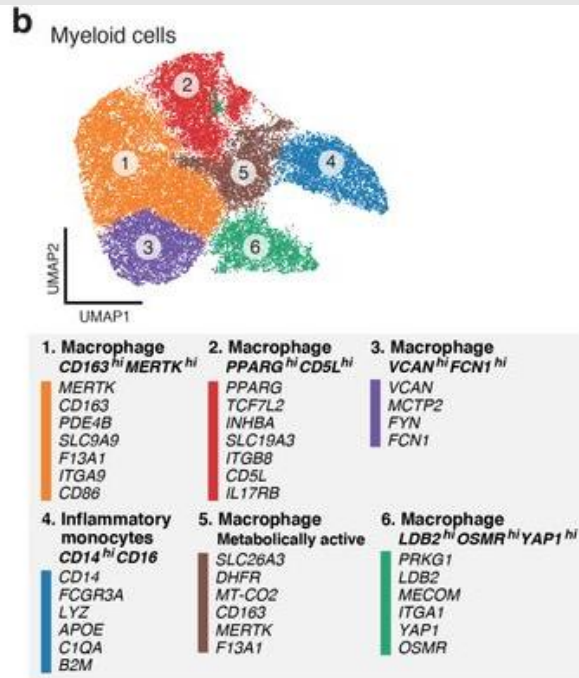


A single cell and single nucleus atlas of COVID-19 lung





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Biological systems are complex – Tissue Heterogeneity

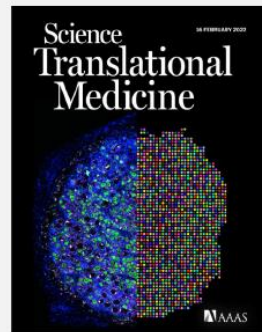
~250,000 single cells from >40 mouse tissues



"The Mouse Cell Atlas"
Han et al., Cell, 2018



2022
Spatial Multiomics



2022
1st Visium Cover

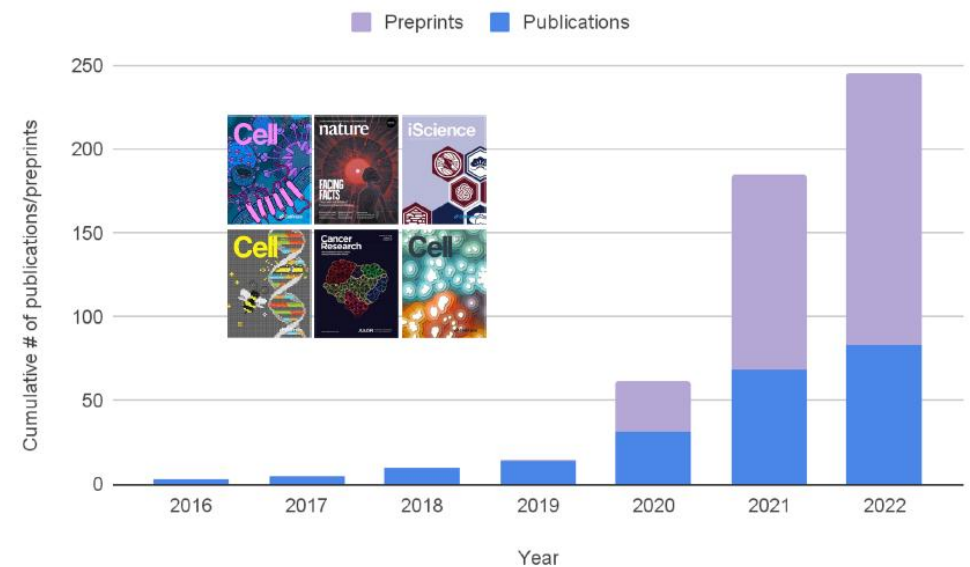


2020
Spatially Resolved
Transcriptomics



2020
Visium Spatial Gene
Expression

200+ Visium Publications and Preprints

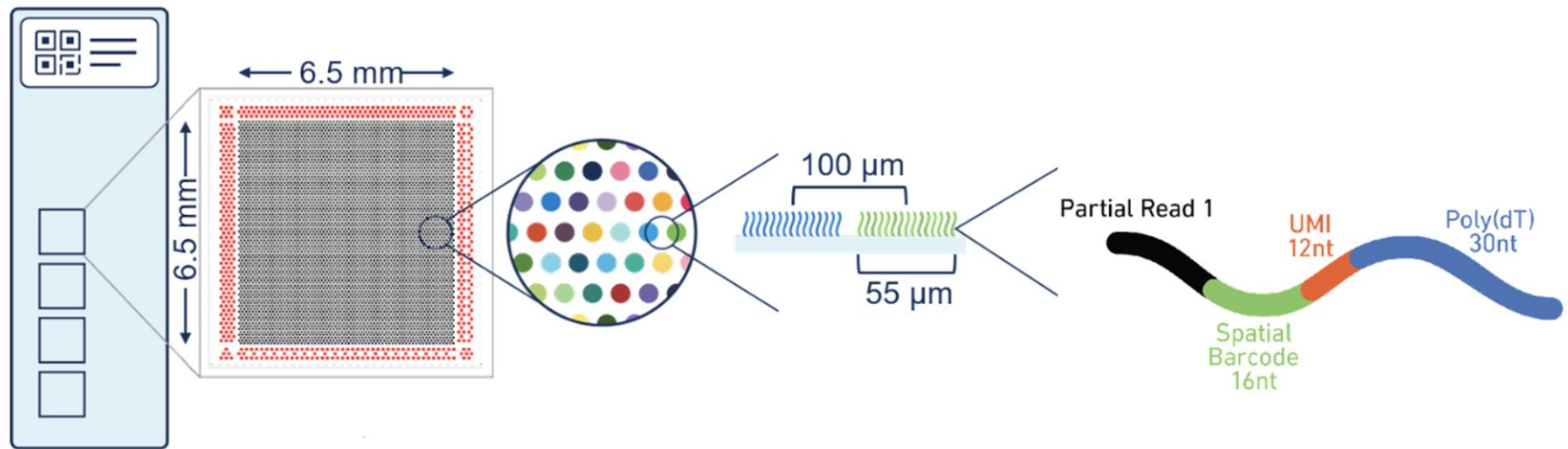




Visium Spatial Gene
Expression Slide

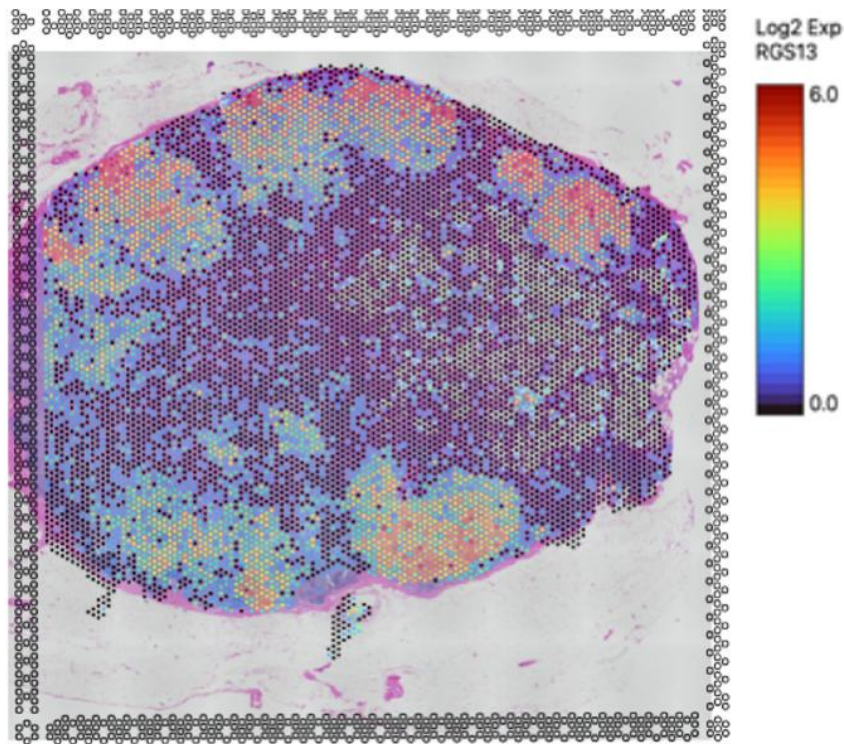
Capture Area with
~5000 Barcoded Spots

Visium Gene Expression
Barcoded Spots

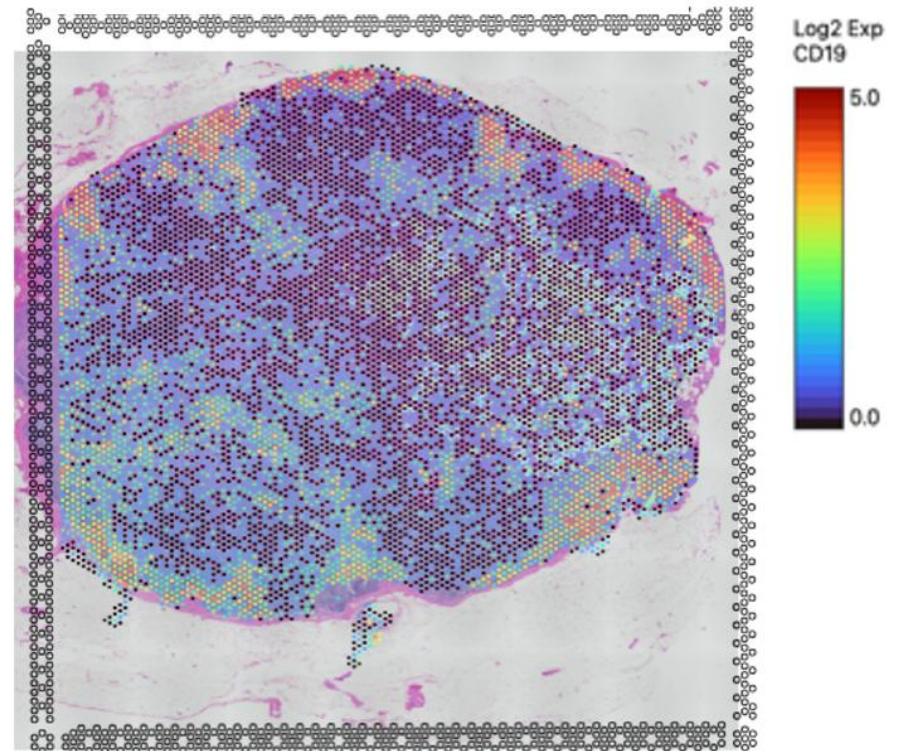


analysis of Human Lymph Nodes

***RGS13*, B Cells in Germinal Centers**

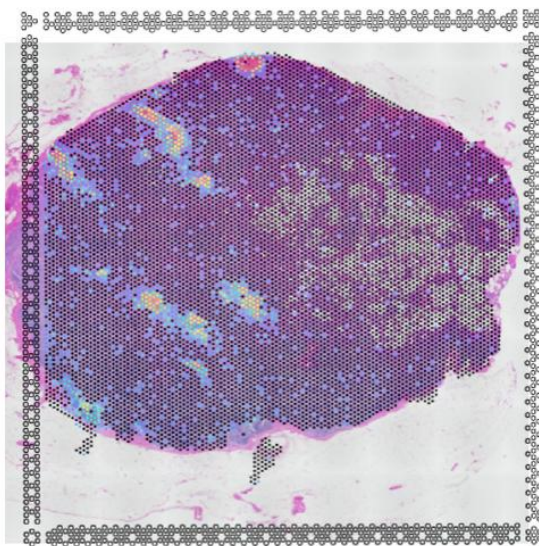


***CD19*, All B Cells**

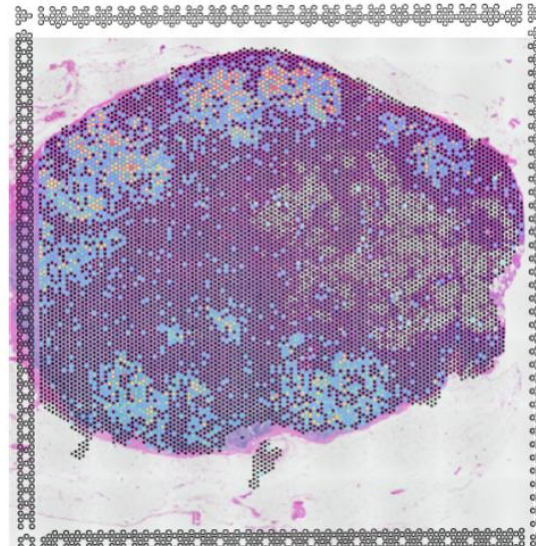


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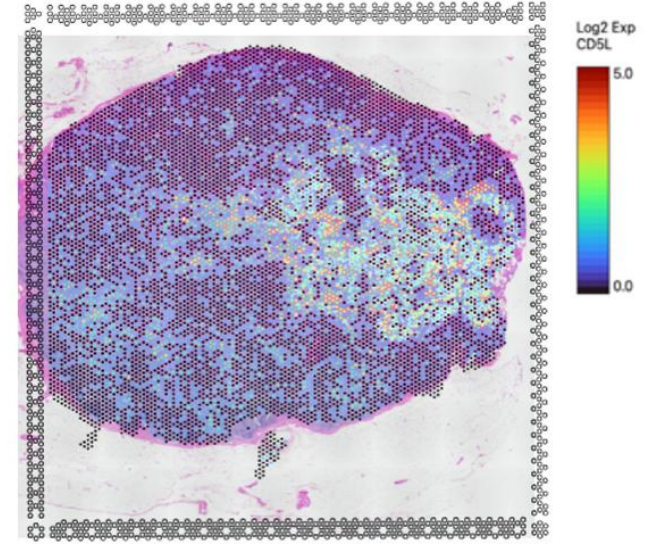
LAMP3, Dendritic Cells



CCL17, T Helper Cells

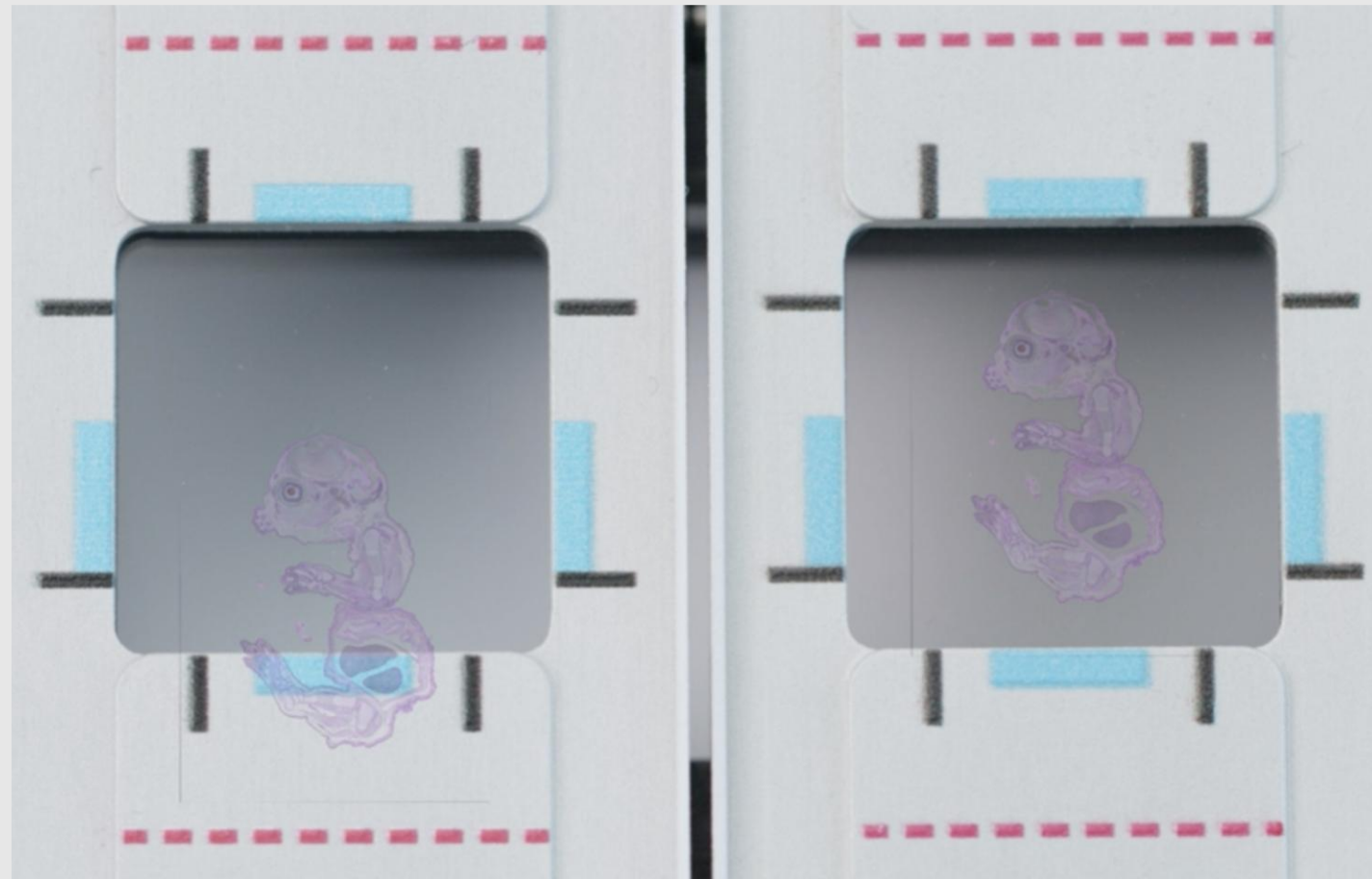


CD5L, Macrophage Cells

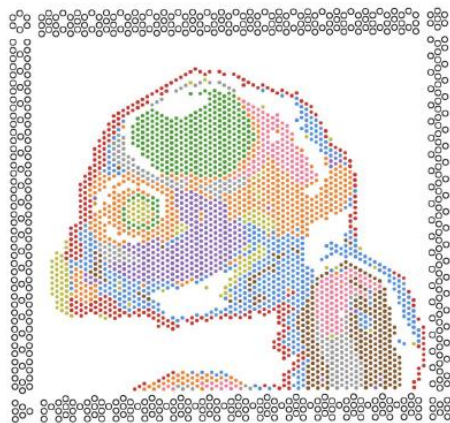




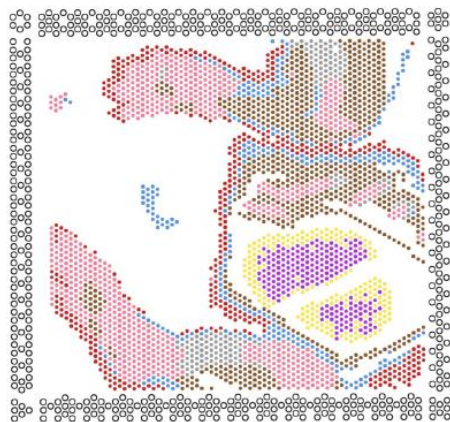
Spatial Transcriptomics



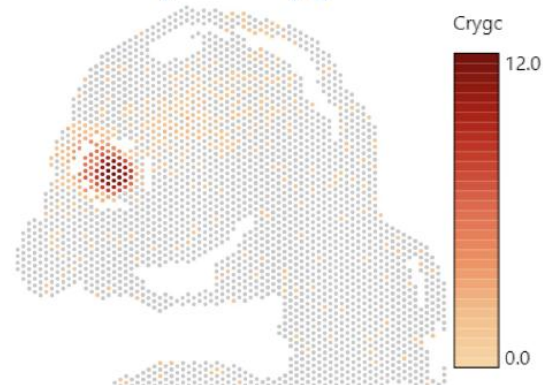
Organ-specific gene expression in mouse embryo



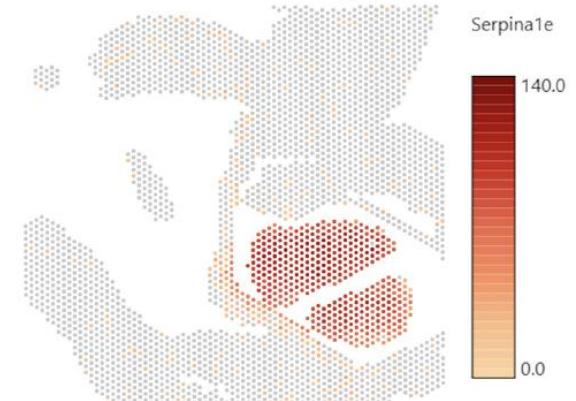
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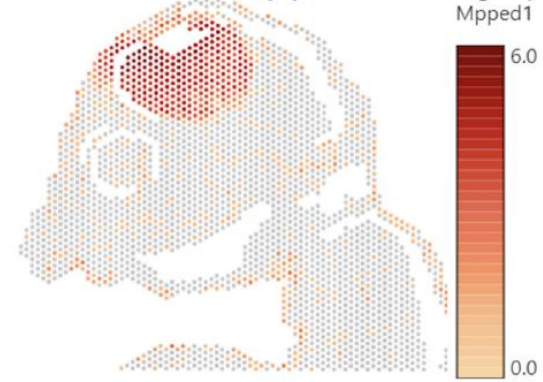
Eye - *Crygc*



Liver - *Serpina1e*



Brain - *Mpped1*



Hands/Toes - *Hoxd13*





Thank you for your attention !!

