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Multiomic integration of transcriptome and genome analysis to enable novel biomarker discovery

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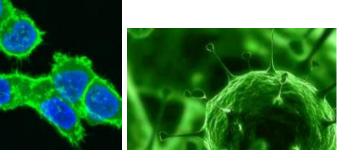
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New biomarkers beyond copy number status to improve embryo selection

Looking beyond PGT-A to obtain a fuller picture

- PGT-A may fail to produce interpretable results in up to 5.7% cases*
- DNA copy number provides only partial insights

Comprehensive understanding of the molecular landscape requires multiomic approaches

- DNA-seq: genetic makeup; including copy number, single nucleotide, and structural variants
- RNA-seq: gene expression patterns, transcriptional profiles, single nucleotide variants
- Other omics



PicoPLEX technology

- Highly reproducible whole genome amplification
- Quasi-random priming + suppression PCR
- Widely used in PGT-A workflows around the world



SMART-Seq technology

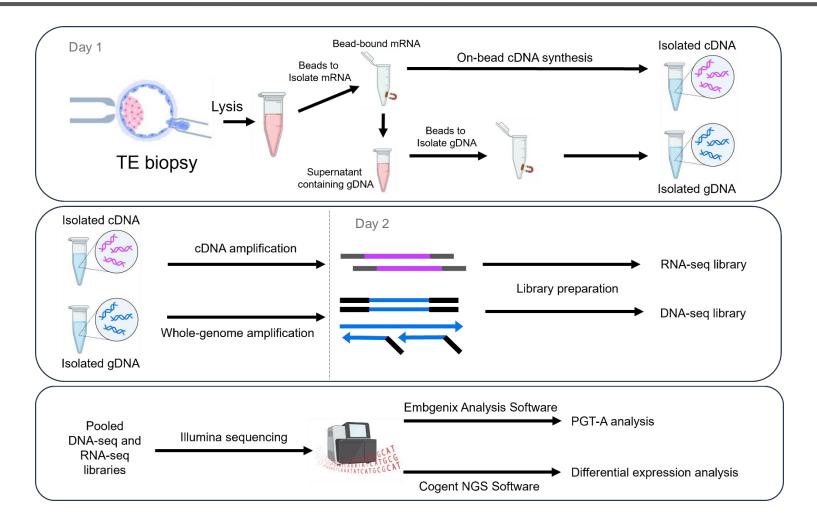
- Full-length transcript information
- Highest sensitivity and uniform gene-body coverage
- Industry gold standard for low-input and single-cell RNA-seq

*Benjamin S. Harris, et al. Preimplantation genetic testing: a review of current modalities. F&S Reviews 2, 43-56 (2021).



Multiomic workflow for genome and transcriptome analysis

- A tailored method for combined PGT-A and differential expression analysis
- >95% success rate (passing combined QC criteria for PGT-A and RNA-seq), improved from 75.6% in the original publication*
- Accompanying bioinformatic analysis solutions
 - PGT-A: Embgenix[™] Analysis
 Software
 - RNA-seq: Cogent[™] NGS analysis pipeline



*Macaulay, I. et al. G&T-seq: parallel sequencing of single-cell genomes and transcriptomes. Nat Methods 12, 519-522 (2015).

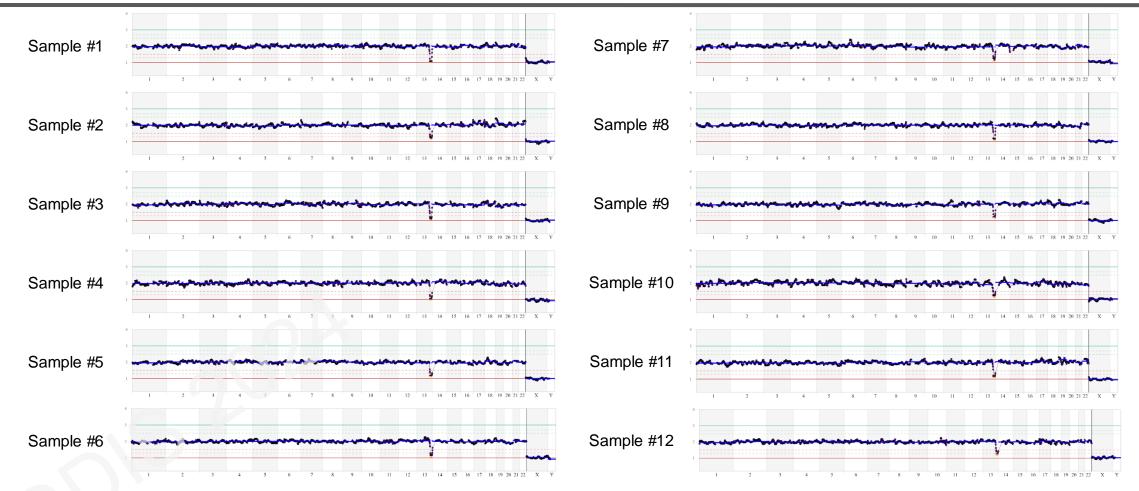


Analysis methods for lymphoblastoid cells

- Starting material:
 - GM08331 cell line (Coriell Institute)
 - Male, 46, XY, del(13)(q32q33)
 - 12.1 Mb deletion
- Experimental workflow:
 - Five cells were sorted into independent wells of a 96-well PCR plate
 - 12 replicate samples were processed using the multiomic workflow
 - Libraries were sequenced on an Illumina® NextSeq® using 2 x 75 bp paired-end (PE) reads
 - Data were down-sampled to 1.5 x 10⁶ reads (750,000 PE clusters) for DNA-seq results and 4 x 10⁶ reads (2 x 10⁶ PE clusters) for RNA-seq results



Reproducible results for CNV analysis

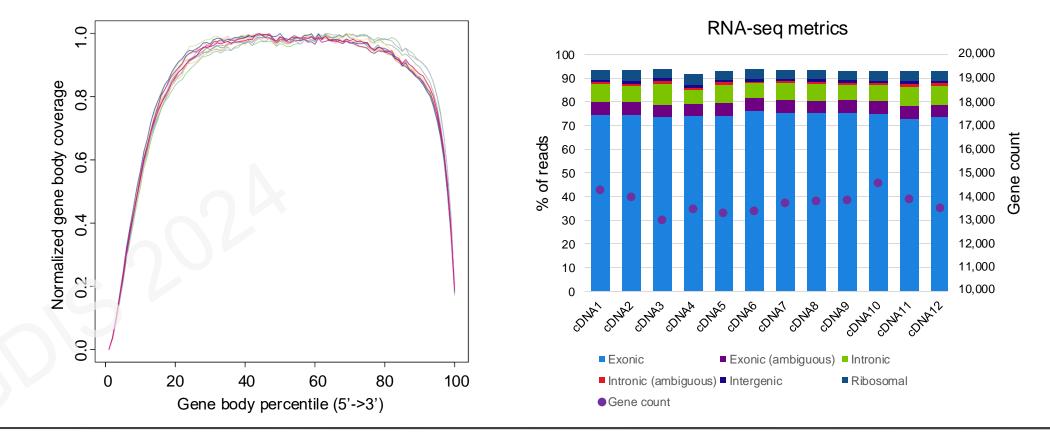


Del(13)(q32q33) was reported for all replicates by Embgenix Analysis Software, indicating that the sensitivity and specificity for detection of CNVs \geq 10 Mb at 1.5 x 10⁶ reads was comparable to the standalone PGT-A assay.



Uncompromised sensitivity and data quality for mRNA analysis

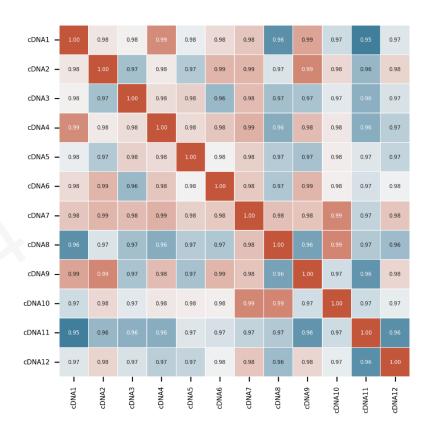
- Data analysis with Cogent NGS analysis pipeline at 4M reads per sample
- Unbiased gene body coverage with >10,000 genes detected and >70% of reads within exons





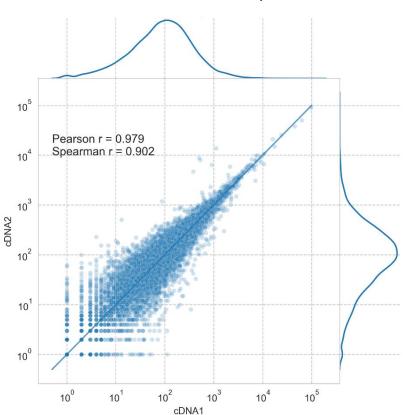
Reproducible transcriptomic profiles

- High correlation in gene counts across experimental replicates
 - RNA-seq results analyzed with Cogent NGS analysis pipeline
 - Pearson correlation
 >0.95 for all comparisons



Gene count: Pearson correlations

Gene count: scatter plot





Analysis methods for trophectoderm biopsy samples

- Starting material:
 - Two trophectoderm (TE) biopsy samples were taken from each of three previously characterized embryos; samples were directly lysed and stored in sample lysis buffer
 - Embryo 1: Monosomy 21, XY
 - Embryo 2: Trisomy 18 & 20, XY
 - Embryo 3: Trisomy 4, XX
- Experimental setup:
 - Six TE biopsy samples were processed with the multiomic workflow
 - DNA-seq and RNA-seq libraries were sequenced on a NextSeq® platform using 2 x 75 bp paired-end (PE) reads
 - Data were down-sampled to 1.5 x 10⁶ reads (750,000 PE clusters) for DNA-seq results, and 4 x 10⁶ reads (2 x 10⁶ PE clusters) for RNA-seq results

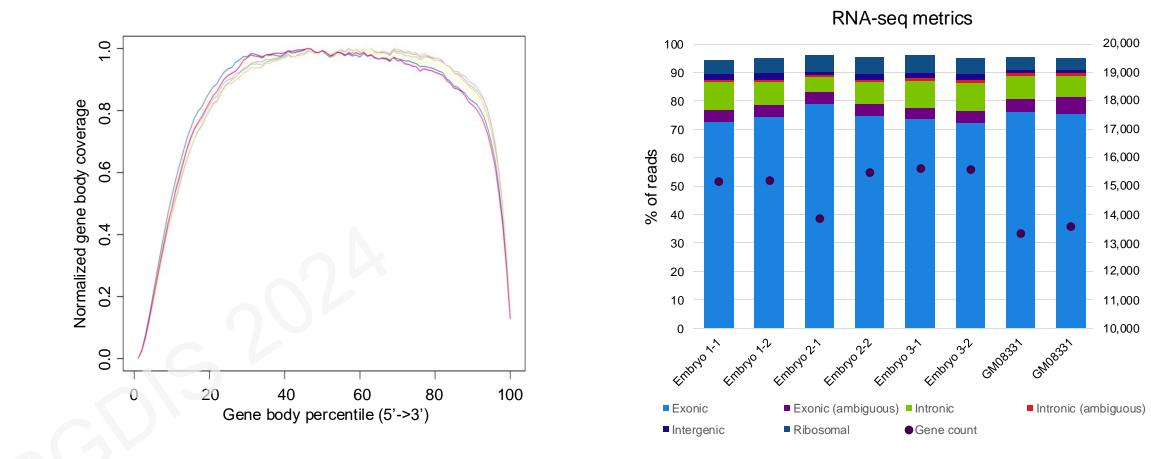


Concordant CNV calls between multiomic analysis and initial PGT-A findings

SAMPLE ID	Embryo 1-1	Embryo 1-2	Embryo 2-1	Embryo 2-2	Embryo 3-1	Embryo 3-2	Embryo 1-1	
REFERENCE LAB RESULT	Monosomy 21, XY	Monosomy 21, XY	Trisomy 18 & 20, XY	Trisomy 18 & 20, XY	Trisomy 4, XX	Trisomy 4, XX		1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 X 4 3
QC STATUS	PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS	Embryo 1-2	
SAMPLE CALL INTERPRE- TATION	Aneuploid	Aneuploid	Aneuploid	Aneuploid	Aneuploid	Aneuploid	Embryo 2-1	
NUMBER OF TOTAL READS	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	Embryo 2-2	
SEX	Male	Male	Male	Male	Female	Female		1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 X
KARYOTYPE	45,XY,seq (21)x1	45,XY,seq (21)x1	48,XY,seq(18)x3,seq(2 0)x3	47,XY,seq(20)x3	47,XX,seq(4)x3	47,XX,seq(4)x3	Embryo 3-1	
Concordant with standalone PGT-A	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	Embryo 3-2	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 X 3



Uncompromised sensitivity and data quality for mRNA analysis from TE biopsy samples

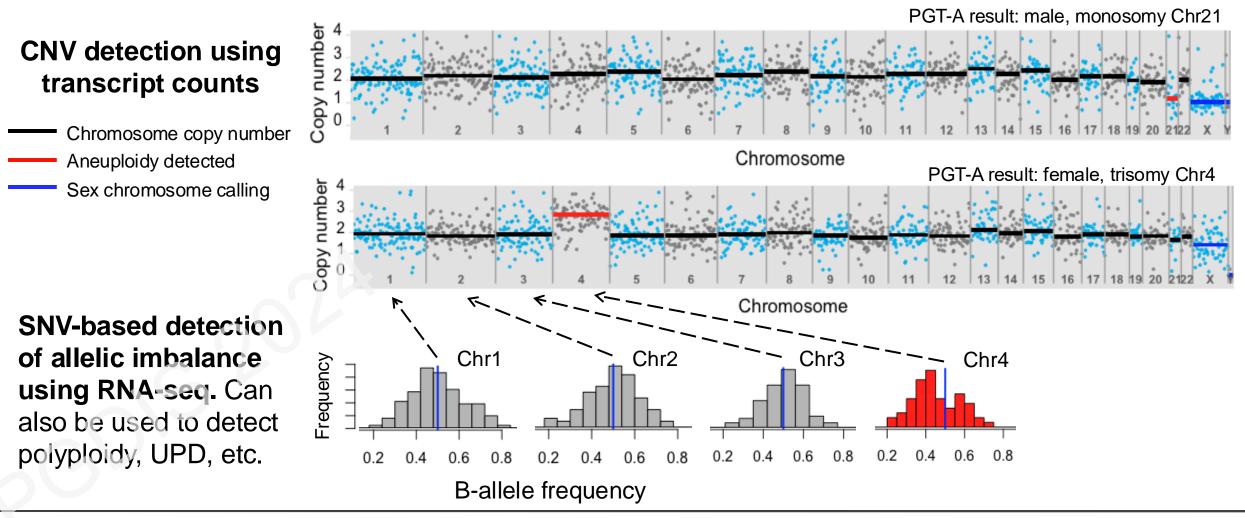




count

Gene

Detecting chromosome-level copy number variation and allelic imbalance using transcriptomic data





Conclusions

- We have demonstrated the feasibility of obtaining both genome and transcriptome information from a single biopsy sample by integrating Embgenix and SMART-Seq workflows in a manner that minimizes genomic DNA loss and RNA contamination
- Leveraging transcriptome analysis for discovery of novel biomarkers in this context provides a dynamic and functional view of the embryo, providing a basis for potential improvements to ART

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