

# ChIP-seq

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Chromatin immunoprecipitation,  
followed by sequencing

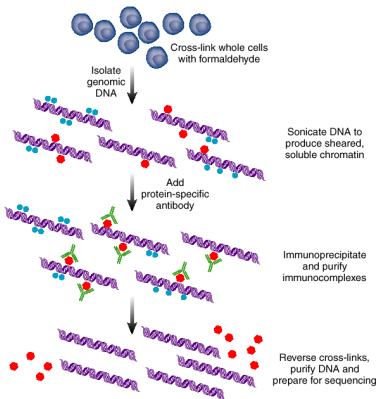
- ▶ Determine location of proteins bound to DNA

Useful for detecting

- ▶ Transcription factor binding sites
- ▶ Histone modification patterns

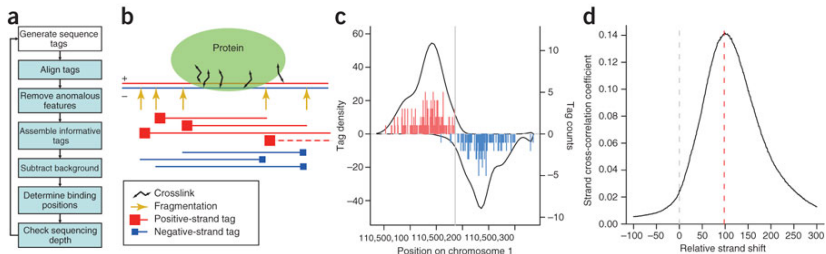
Common questions

- ▶ Which genes is this TF regulating?
- ▶ How do histone modifications affect expression?



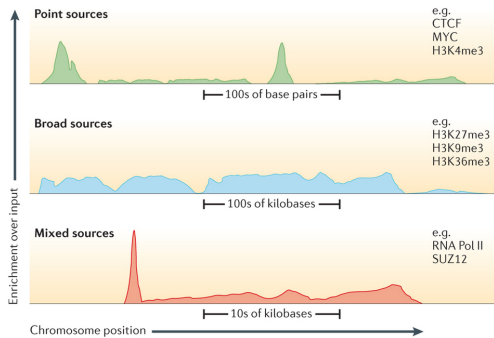
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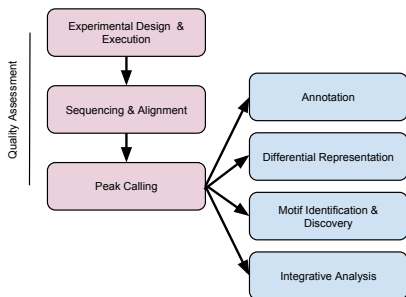
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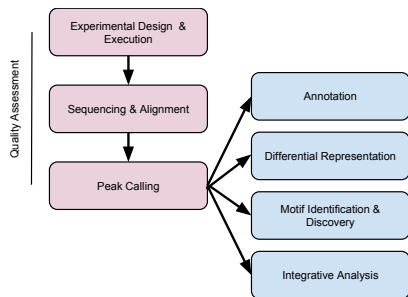
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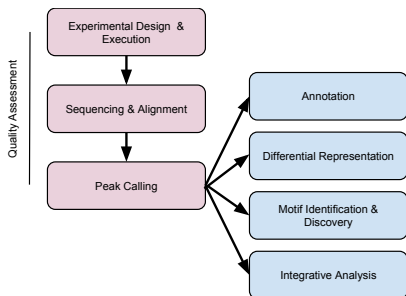
## Single sample

- ▶ ChIPed transcription factor and...
- ▶ Input (fragmented genomic DNA) or control (e.g., IP with non-specific antibody such as immunoglobulin G, IgG)

## Designed experiments

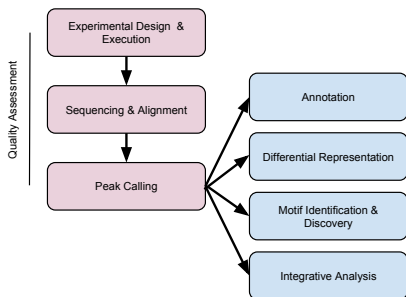
- ▶ Replication of TF / control pairs

# Work flow: sequencing & alignment



- ▶ Sequencing depth rules of thumb:  $> 10M$  reads for narrow peaks,  $> 20M$  for broad peaks
- ▶ Long & paired end useful but not essential – alignment in ambiguous regions
- ▶ Basic aligners generally adequate, e.g., no need to align splice junctions
- ▶ Sims et al. (2014)

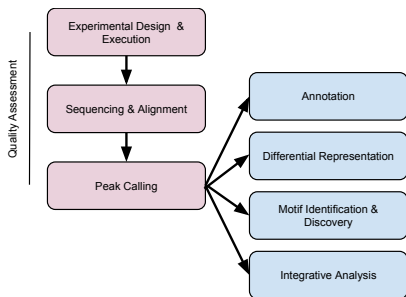
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- ▶ Very large number of peak calling programs; some specialized for e.g., narrow vs. broad peaks.
- ▶ Commonly used: MACS, PeakSeq, CisGenome, . . .



# Work flow: down-stream analysis



- ▶ Annotation: what genes are my peaks near?
- ▶ Differential representation: which peaks are over- or under-represented in treatment 1, compared to treatment 2?
- ▶ Motif identification (peaks over known motifs?) and discovery
- ▶ Integrative analysis, e.g., association of regulatory elements and expression

# Peak calling: MACS

MACS: Model-based Analysis for CHIP-Seq, Zhang et al. (2008)

<http://liulab.dfci.harvard.edu/MACS/>

- ▶ Scale control tag counts to match CHIP counts
- ▶ Center peaks by shifting  $d/2$
- ▶ Model occurrence of a tag as a Poisson process
- ▶ Look for fixed width sliding windows with excess number of tag enrichment

Empirical FDR

- ▶ Swap CHIP and control samples; FDR is  $\# \text{ control peaks} / \# \text{ CHIP peaks}$

Output: BED file of called peaks

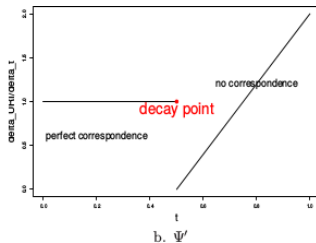
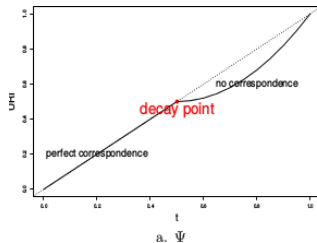
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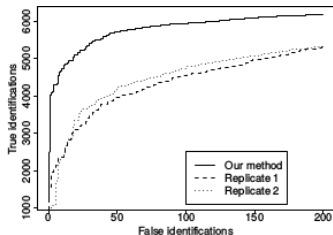
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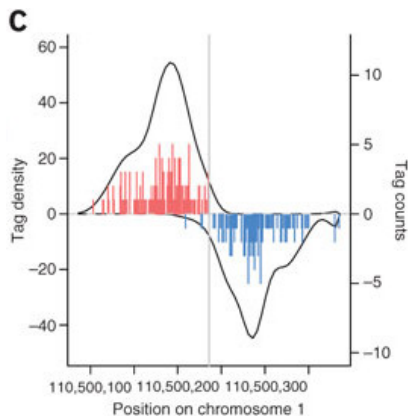
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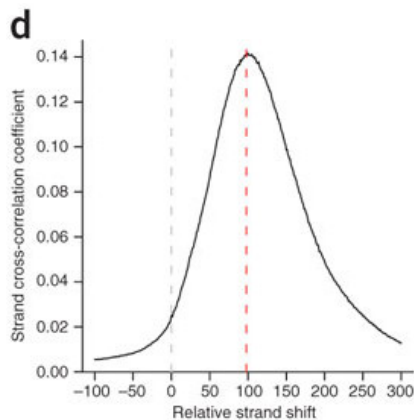


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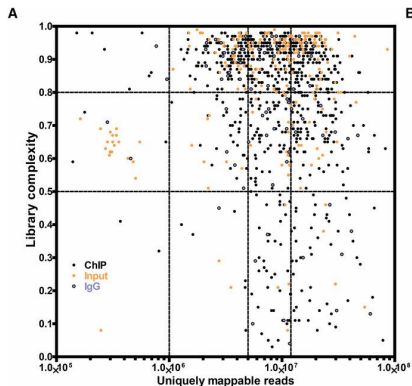
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- ▶ Large-scale assessment of published ChIP-seq experiments
- ▶ 191 GEO experiments
- ▶ 55% highly successful; 20% poor

## Quality Assessment: *ChIPQC*

Inputs: BAM files (raw data) and BED files (called peaks)

```
experiment <- ChIPQC(samples)
ChIPQCreport(experiment)
```

Output: HTML report — <http://starkhome.com/ChIPQC/Reports/tamoxifen/ChIPQC.html>



## Annotation: *ChIPpeakAnno*

### Inputs

- ▶ Peaks: *RangedData* (*GRanges*-like) peaks, e.g., from `rtracklayer::import()` BED files
- ▶ Annotation: *RangedData* representing gene boundaries, or query to *biomaRt*

```
library(ChIPpeakAnno)
## ...
annotated <- annotatePeakInBatch(peaks,
  AnnotationData=annotation)
```

Output: *RangedData* with annotations about near-by peaks.

## Differential Representation: *DiffBind*

Inputs: called peaks and raw BED or BAM files

```
library(DiffBind)
tamoxifen = dba(sampleSheet="tamoxifen.csv")
tamoxifen = dba.count(tamoxifen)
tamoxifen = dba.contrast(tamoxifen,
  categories=DBA_CONDITION)
tamoxifen = dba.analyze(tamoxifen)
tamoxifen.DB = dba.report(tamoxifen)
```

Outputs: diagnostics, visualizations, and 'top table' of differentially expressed regions.

# Motifs

## Identification

- ▶ JASPAR and other motif catalogs
- ▶ Position Weight Matrix describing probability of nucleotide(s) at each position
- ▶ Scan genome / under peaks for known motifs
- ▶ *MotifDb*, `matchPWM` (*Biostrings*);
- ▶ FIMO, etc

## Discovery

- ▶ Collate sequences under peaks, search for recurrent sequences
- ▶ e.g., DREME / MEME-ChIP

Also: enrichment, regulatory modules (2+ motifs co-occurring), function, ...

## ChIP-seq in *Bioconductor*: resources

- ▶ EdX MOOC 'Data Analysis for Genomics', chapter on ChIP-seq analysis
- ▶ biocViews terms: ChIPSeq, MotifAnnotation, MotifDiscovery
- ▶ Work flows: Candidate Binding Sites for Known Transcription Factors

# ChIP-seq in *Bioconductor*: packages

## Sample packages

- ▶ Quality assessment – *ChIPQC*;
- ▶ (Peak calling) – *chipseq*, *PICS*, *triform*, *ChIPseqR*, *iSeq*, ...
- ▶ Single sample summary / exploration – *ChIPpeekAnno*, *chIPseeker*
- ▶ Differential representation – *DiffBind*, *MMDiff*, ...
- ▶ Motifs – *MotifDb*, *TFBSTools* (matching known motifs), *motifRG*, *MotIV*, *rGADEM* *BCRANK* (motif discovery)
- ▶ Integration with expression data – *Rcade*, *epigenomix*

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