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Droplet-based single cell RNAseq tools: a practical guide

Robert Salomon,* Dominik Kaczorowski, Fatima Valdes-Mora, Robert E. Nordon, Adrian Neild, Nona Farbehi, Nenad Bartonicek and David Gallego-Ortega*

A step-by-step guide for droplet-based single cell RNAseq experiments, practical considerations and technical notes.



COMMUNICATION

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A novel electromagnet-triggered pillar valve and its application in immunoassay on a centrifugal platform

Yiqi Chen, Minjie Shen, Yunzeng Zhu and Youchun Xu*

A novel electromagnet-triggered pillar valve is proposed and applied to realize automatic and multiplex immunoassay on a centrifugal platform.



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Integrated inertial-impedance cytometry for rapid label-free leukocyte isolation and profiling of neutrophil extracellular traps (NETs)

Chayakorn Petchakup, Hui Min Tay, King Ho Holden Li and Han Wei Hou*

A novel integrated inertial-impedance cytometer for rapid and label-free electrical profiling of neutrophil extracellular trap formation (NETosis).

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Hydroporator: a hydrodynamic cell membrane perforator for high-throughput vector-free nanomaterial intracellular delivery and DNA origami biostability evaluation

Megan E. Kizer, Yanxiang Deng, GeoumYoung Kang, Paiyz E. Mikael, Xing Wang* and Aram J. Chung*

We present a hydrodynamic cell deformation-induced intracellular delivery platform, termed "hydroporator".

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High-throughput acoustofluidic fabrication of tumor spheroids

Bin Chen, Yue Wu, Zheng Ao, Hongwei Cai, Asael Nunez, Yunhua Liu, John Foley, Kenneth Nephew, Xiongbin Lu and Feng Guo*

Three-dimensional (3D) culture of multicellular spheroids, offering a desirable biomimetic microenvironment, is appropriate for recapitulating tissue cellular adhesive complexity and revealing a more realistic drug response.

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Generating digital drug cocktails *via* optical manipulation of drug-containing particles and photo-patterning of hydrogels

Yi-Sin Chen, Ko-Chin Chung, Wen-Yen Huang, Wen-Bin Lee, Chien-Yu Fu, Chih-Hung Wang and Gwo-Bin Lee*

An integrated microfluidic system combining 1) ODEP for manipulation of drug-containing particles and 2) UV "direct writing" capable of patterning hydrogels was established for automatic formulation of customized digital drug cocktails.



Hydroporator for Intracellular delivery









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Evaporation-driven enrichment

Two-dimensional computational method for generating planar electrode patterns with enhanced volumetric electric fields and its application to continuous dielectrophoretic bacterial capture

Chang-Ho Han, Hyun Wook Ha and Jaesung Jang*

Novel method for generating planar electrode patterns with enhanced dielectrophoretic bacterial capture.

Condensing-enriched magnetic photonic barcodes on superhydrophobic surface for ultrasensitive multiple detection

L. Cai, F. Bian, L. Sun, H. Wang and Y. Zhao*

When PhC barcodes with stable characteristic reflection peaks are integrated with a superhydrophobic substrate they can realize the ultrasensitive multiple detection by the enrichment of the solution upon evaporation. Thus, the detection of miRNA was carried out by the system and it was found the detection limit was improved by about three orders.

A hydrogel-driven microfluidic suction pump with a high flow rate

Jaedeok Seo, Cong Wang, Sooyoung Chang, Jungyul Park* and Wonjung Kim*

A portable, non-powered, long-term working microfluidic suction pump driven by a superabsorbent polymer was developed.

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Smartphone-app based point-of-care testing for myocardial infarction biomarker cTnI using an autonomous capillary microfluidic chip with self-aligned on-chip focusing (SOF) lenses

Chao Liang, Yuanchang Liu, Aiying Niu, Chong Liu,* Jingmin Li* and Dianxiu Ning

We present a smartphone-app platform for point-of-care testing of cTnI, which features the self-aligned on-chip focusing (SOF) lenses for enhancing the fluorescence intensity.

1808

Automated detection and sorting of microencapsulation *via* machine learning

Albert Chu, Du Nguyen, Sachin S. Talathi, Aaron C. Wilson, Congwang Ye, William L. Smith, Alan D. Kaplan, Eric B. Duoss, Joshua K. Stolaroff and Brian Giera*

We automated a traditionally labor-intensive, yet widelyused capsule production system.

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High-throughput electrical position detection of single flowing particles/cells with non-spherical shape

Riccardo Reale, Adele De Ninno, Luca Businaro, Paolo Bisegna and Federica Caselli*

A novel all-electrical approach for cross-sectional position detection of flowing particles and cells.

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A numbering-up strategy of hydrodynamic microfluidic filters for continuous-flow high-throughput cell sorting

Ryoken Ozawa, Hideki Iwadate, Hajime Toyoda, Masumi Yamada* and Minoru Seki

A numbering-up strategy of hydrodynamic filters was presented to dramatically increase the throughput of cell/ particle sorting up to ${\sim}15~{\rm mL~min^{-1}}.$

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High throughput gene expression profiling of yeast colonies with microgel-culture Drop-seq

Leqian Liu, Chiraj K. Dalal, Benjamin M. Heineike and Adam R. Abate*

We describe isogenic colony sequencing (ICO-seq), a massively-parallel strategy to assess the gene expression profiles of large numbers of genetically distinct yeast colonies.





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A microwell array platform to print and measure biomolecules produced by single cells

Fikri Abali, Joska Broekmaat, Arjan Tibbe, Richard B. M. Schasfoort, Leonie Zeune and Leon W. M. M. Terstappen*

Here we describe a combined method to monitor the secretion of molecules produced by single cells, followed by a method to isolate the individual cells that produced these molecules.



Tumor antigen-independent and cell size variationinclusive enrichment of viable circulating tumor cells

Wujun Zhao, Yang Liu, et al.

Integrated ferrohydrodynamic cell separation (iFCS) explores cell magnetization in biocompatible ferrofluids and enriches CTCs in an antigen-independent and cell size variationinclusive manner.

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Microfluidic on-demand engineering of exosomes towards cancer immunotherapy

Zheng Zhao, Jodi McGill, Pamela Gamero-Kubota and Mei He*

3D printing-based facile microfabrication of a microfluidic culture chip integrates harvesting, antigenic modification, and photo-release of surface engineered exosomes in one workflow, which enables rapid and real-time production of therapeutic exosomes for advancing cancer immunotherapy.

CORRECTION

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Correction: A flow focusing microfluidic device with an integrated Coulter particle counter for production, counting and size characterization of monodisperse microbubbles

J. M. Robert Rickel, Adam J. Dixon, Alexander L. Klibanov and John A. Hossack*





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