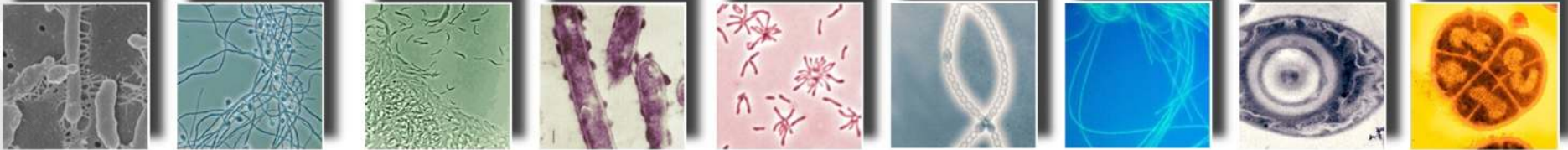


Single-cell genomics

2015 Workshop on Genomics, Cesky Krumlov
January 22, 2015

Tanja Woyke, DOE-JGI



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- **Single-cell science vignettes**

- from symbionts to microbial dark matter

- **Crystal ball**

- what the future may bring

DOE Joint Genome Institute - a National User Facility



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 - Collaborative research
 - Building user communities

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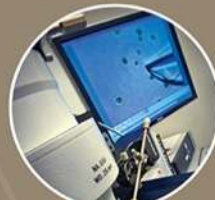


Synthesis

JGI Infrastructure



DNA Sequencing



Genomic Technologies



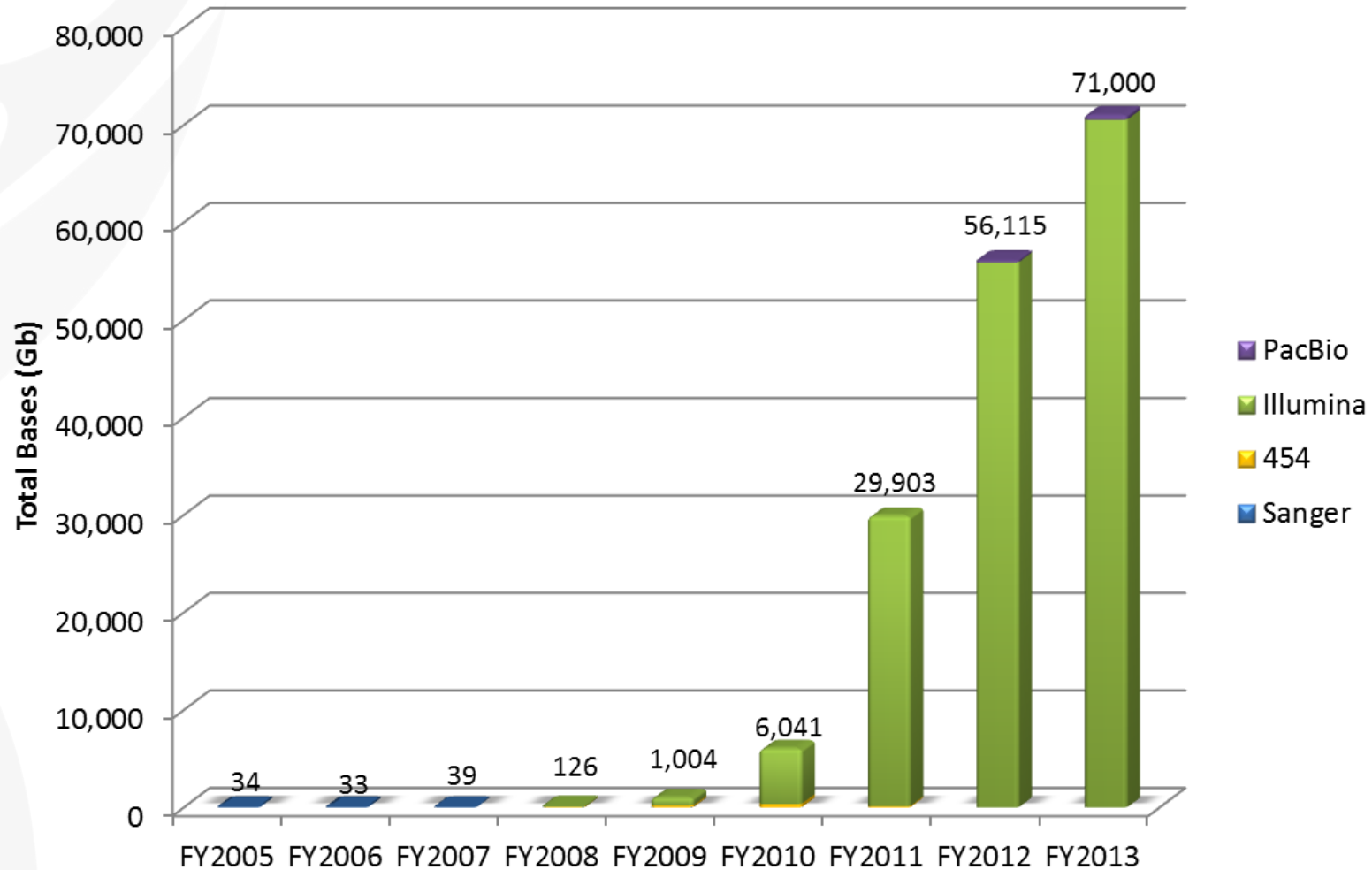
Computational Analysis



Synthesis

JGI Sequencing Output

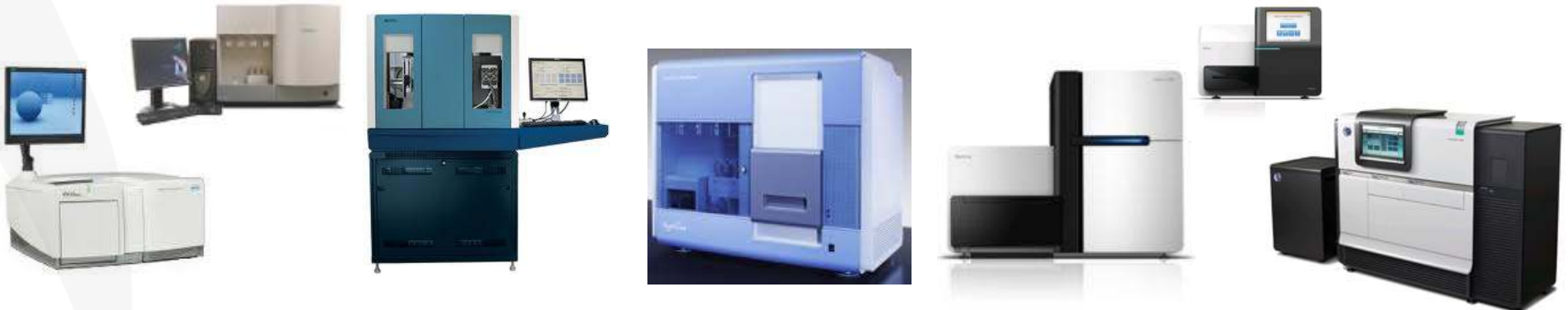
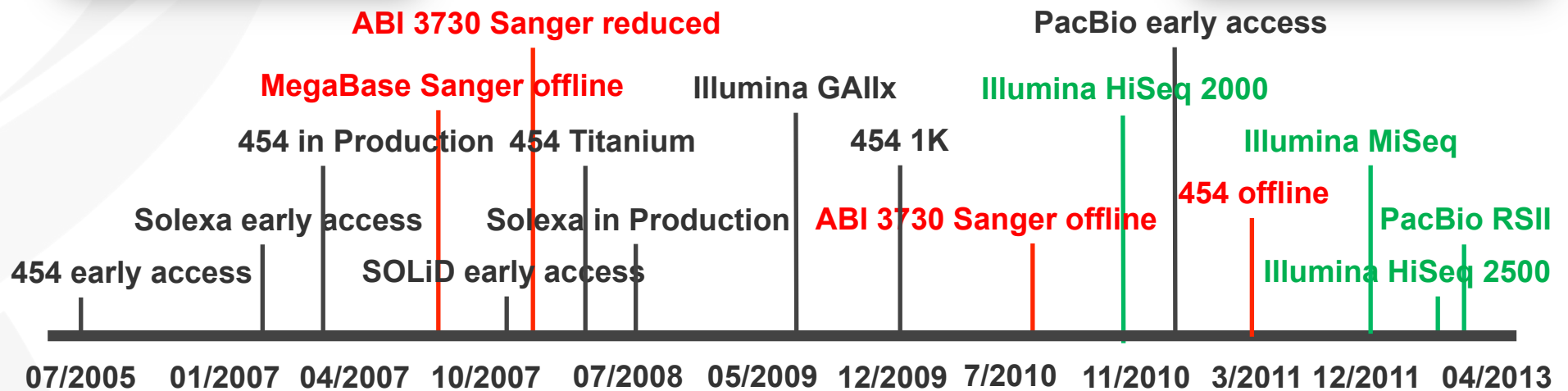
FY Total Bases (Gb) Sequenced



Staying State of the Art



Sanger Sequencing to Next-Gen Sequencing by Synthesis



JGI Sequencing Platforms

				
	Illumina HiSeq 2000	Illumina HiSeq 2500	Illumina MiSeq	Pacific Biosciences RSII
Units	5	3	5	2
Most published single cells have been sequenced on the Illumina platform: HiSeq, (MiSeq)				
Applications	Primary Sequence Generator at JGI	Rapid output HiSeq	10S tags, Library QC, R&D	Assembly improvement, de novo, SynBio validation, methylation/epigenome
	*Not supported by Illumina			

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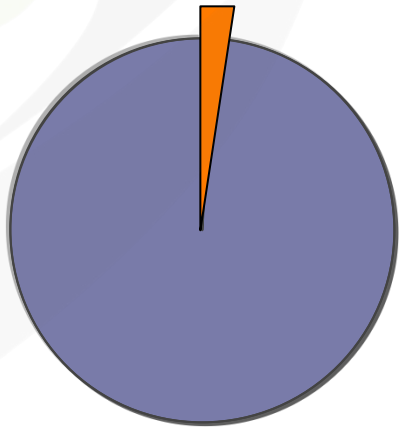
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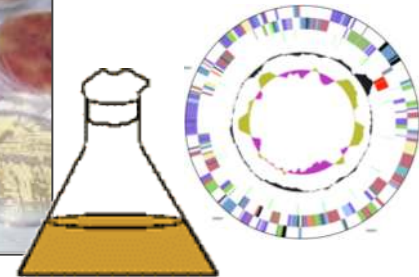
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The cultivated minority

~1% cultivated

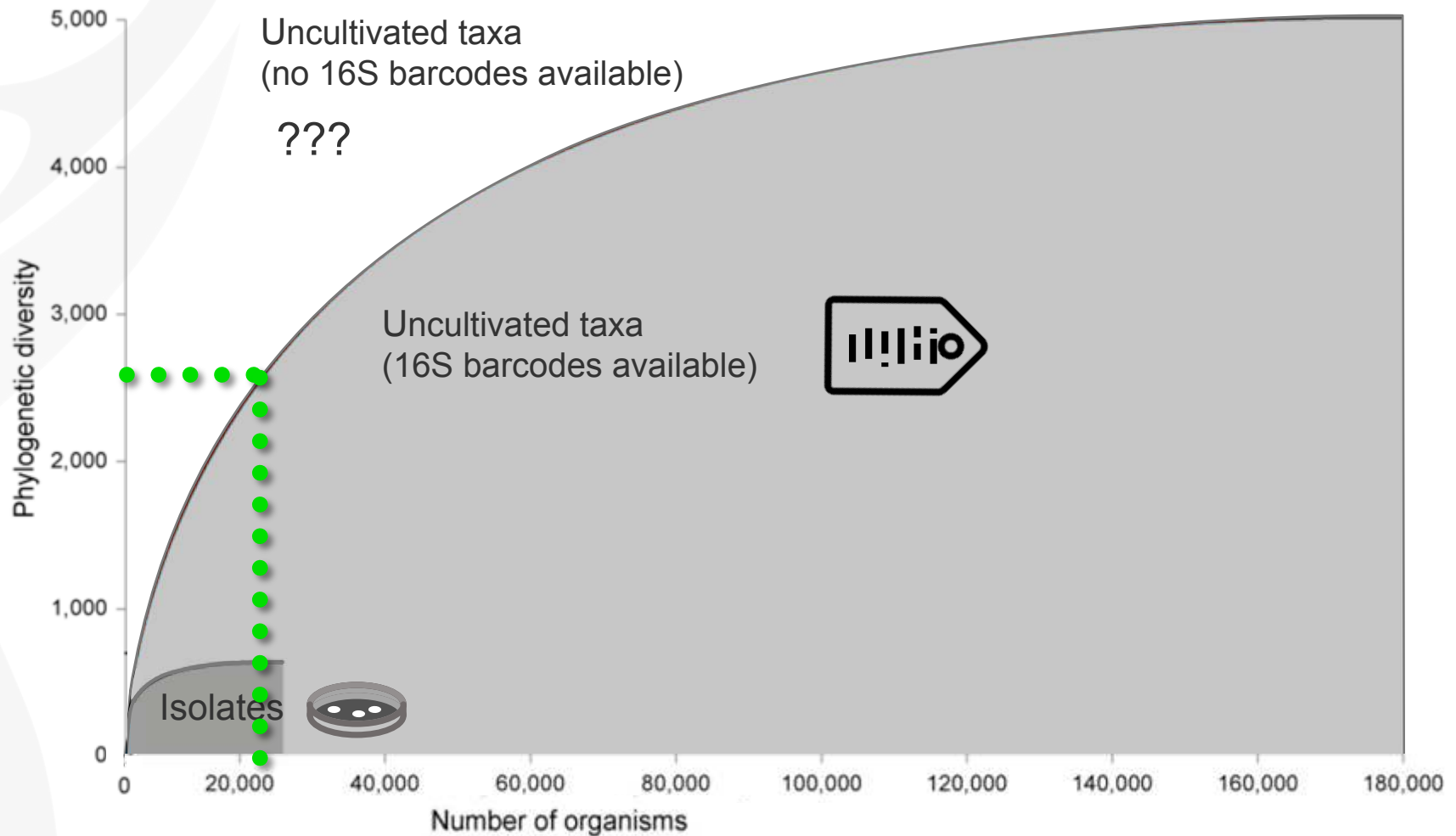


~99% uncultivated

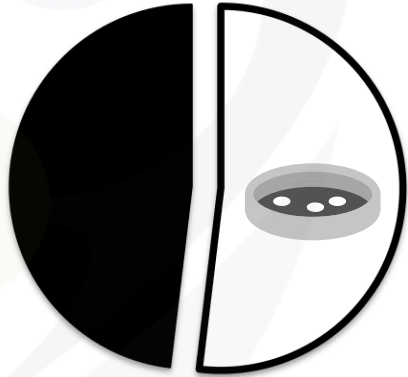


ecological functions &
metabolic capabilities largely
unknown

In the context of phylogenetic diversity

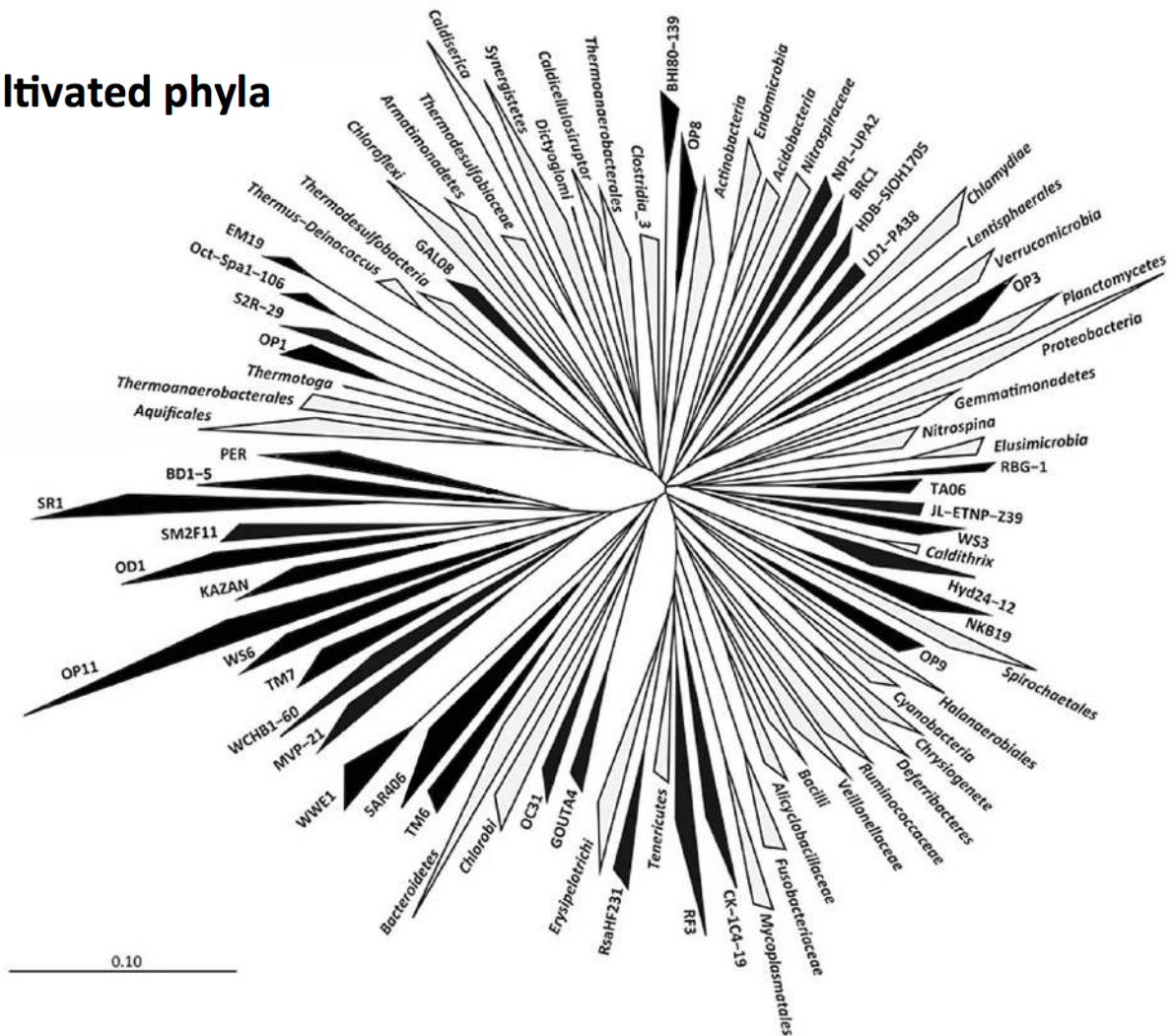


Major uncultivated branches in the bacterial ToL



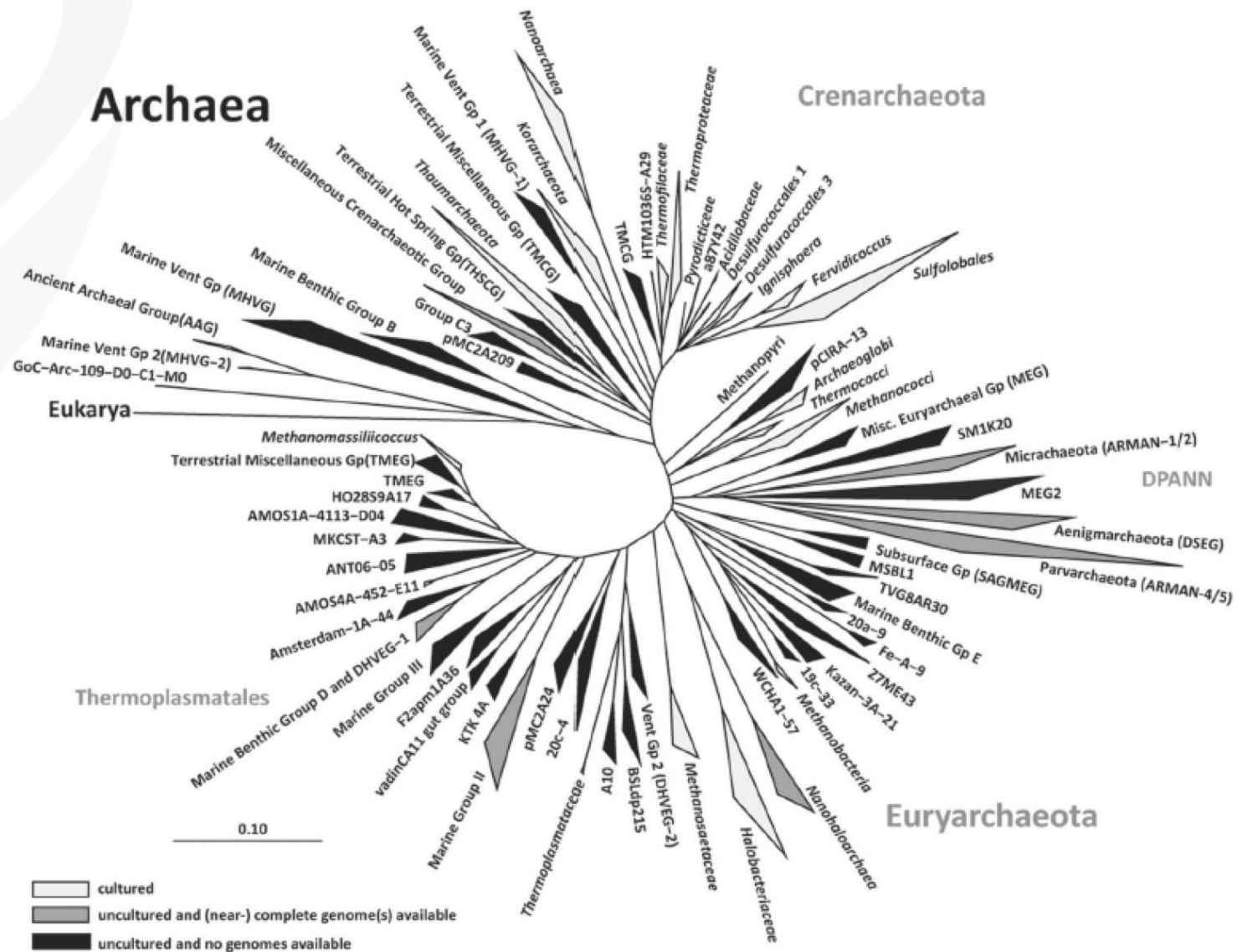
□ cultivated phyla

■ uncultivated phyla



Modified from Baker et al 2013 (Microbe)

The situation is similar for archaea



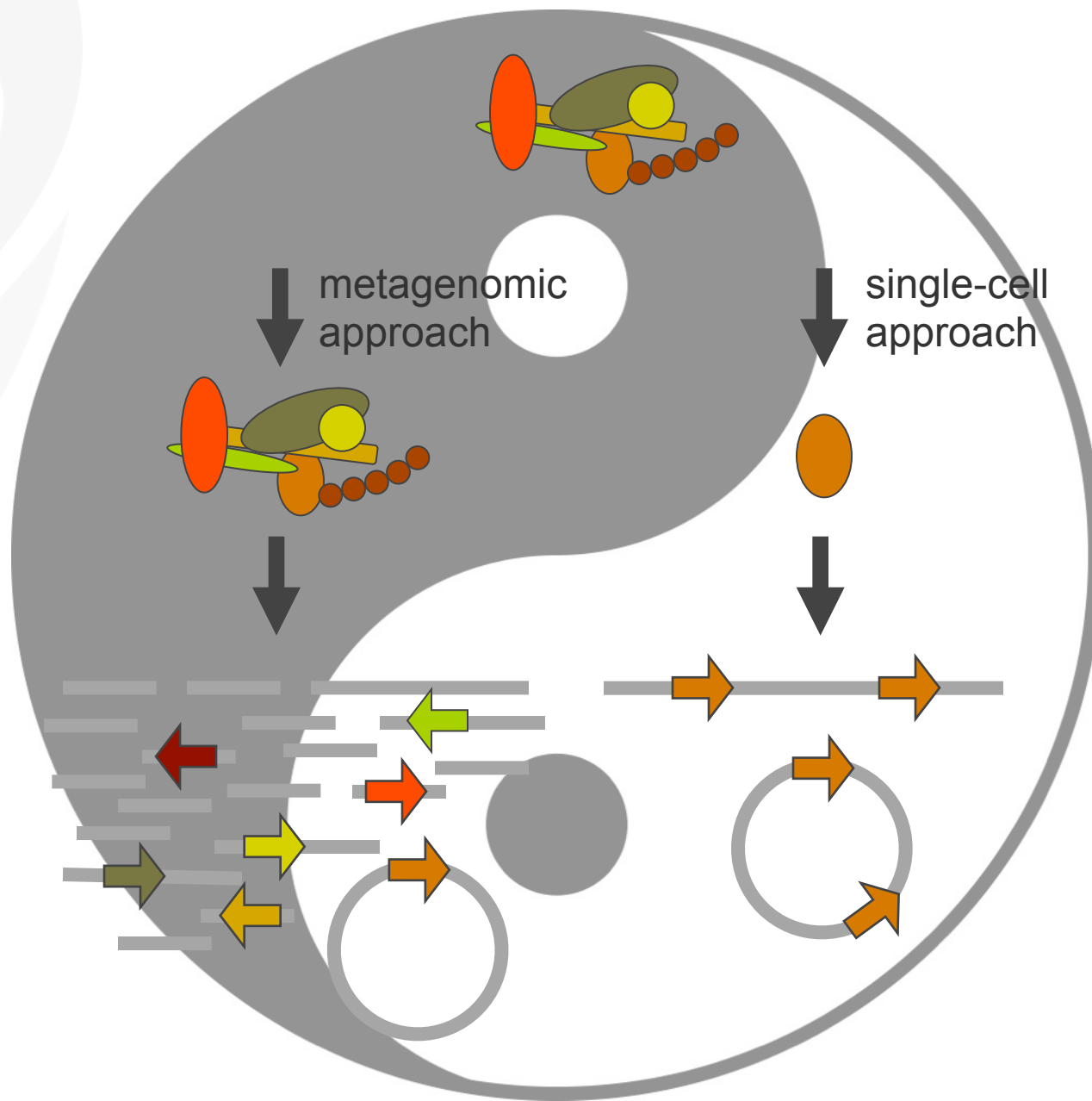
EM3 GN01-GN05, GN09, GN13, GN14
BRC1 “guerrero negro”
“bacterial rice cluster”
AC1 NKB19 OD1
Marine group A = SAR406 “OP11-derived 1”
NC10 OP1-OP4, OP6–OP9, OP11-12
“Nullarbor cave” EM19 “obsidian pool”
WYO SPAM CD12
SR1 TM6, TM7
“sulphur river” ZB3 “spring alpine meadow”
WWE1, WWE3 WS1-5, WS6
KSB2, KSB3 Sediment-1 – Sediment-4
KB1 group
MSBL2, MSBL3, MSBL5, MSBL6 TG2, TG3

cultivated

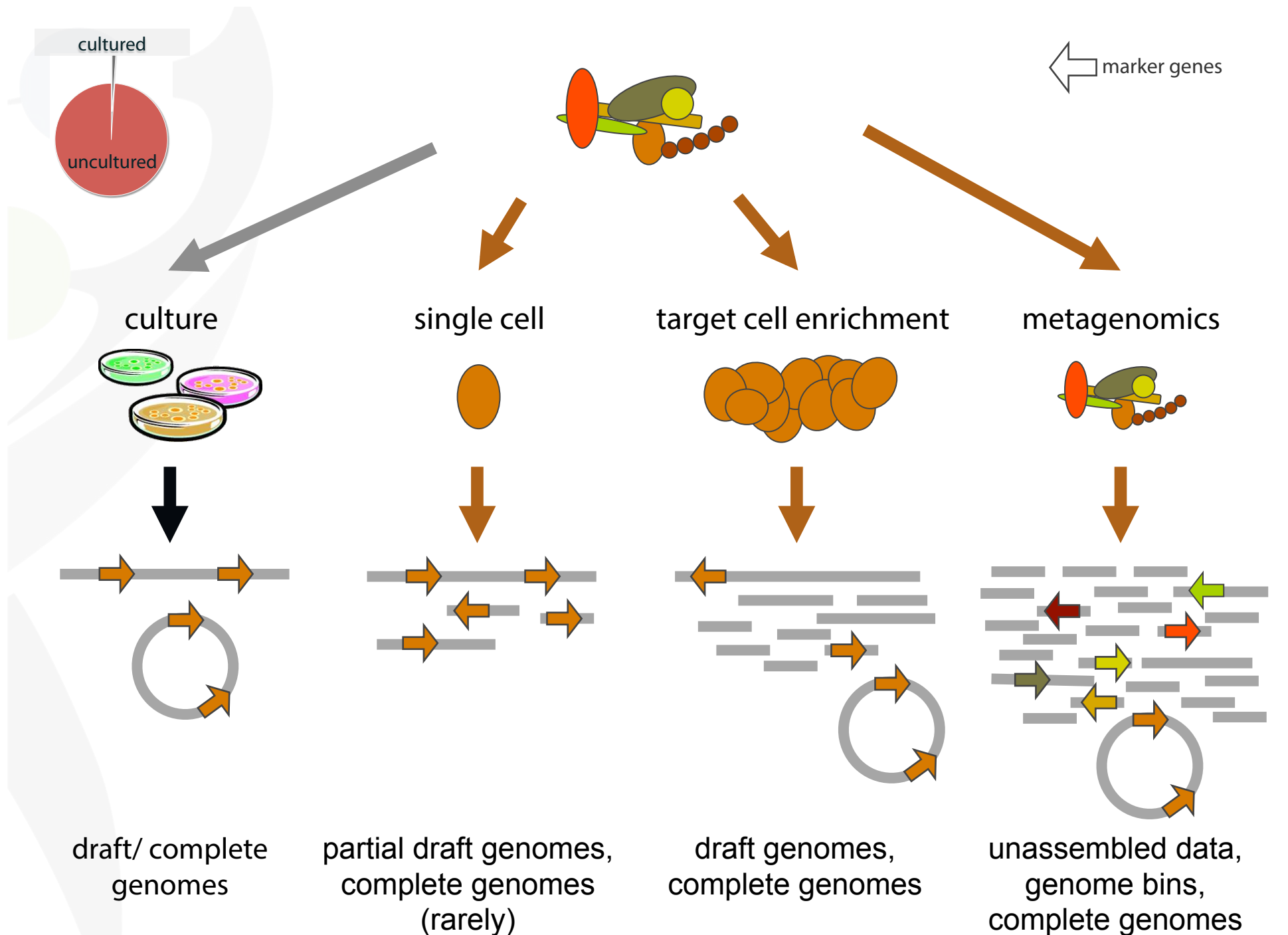
**How to access the
coding potential?**

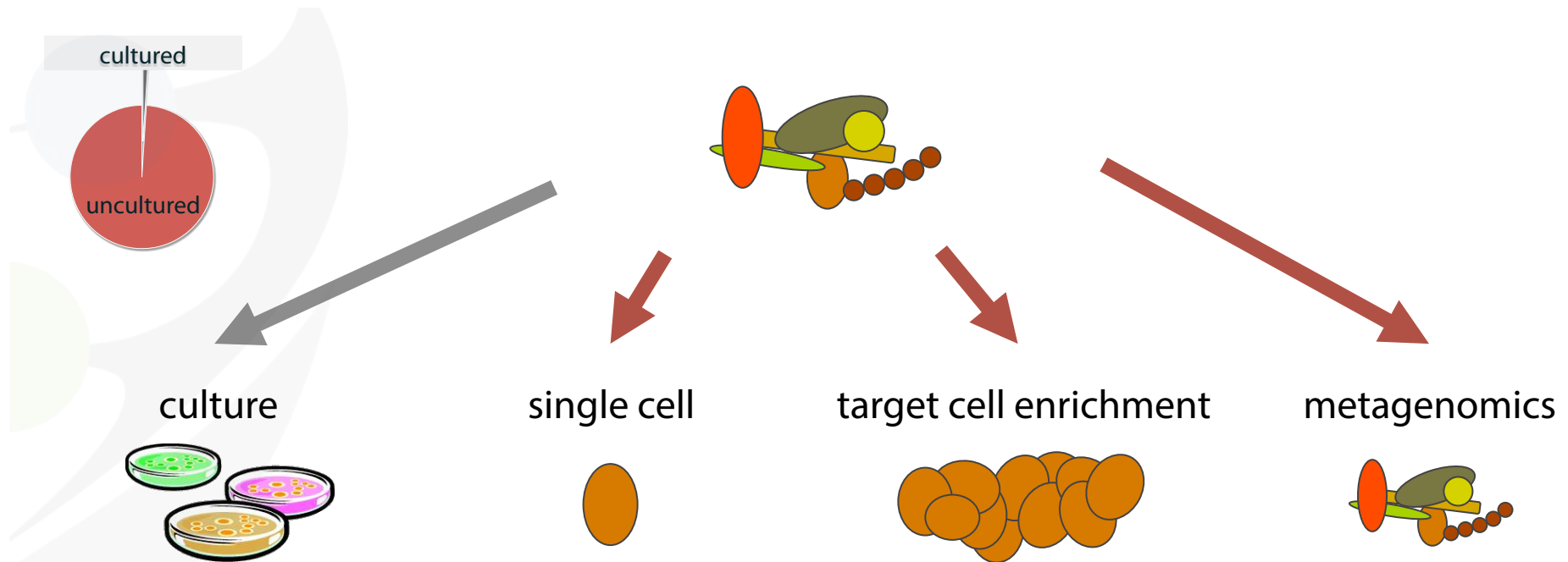
uncultivated





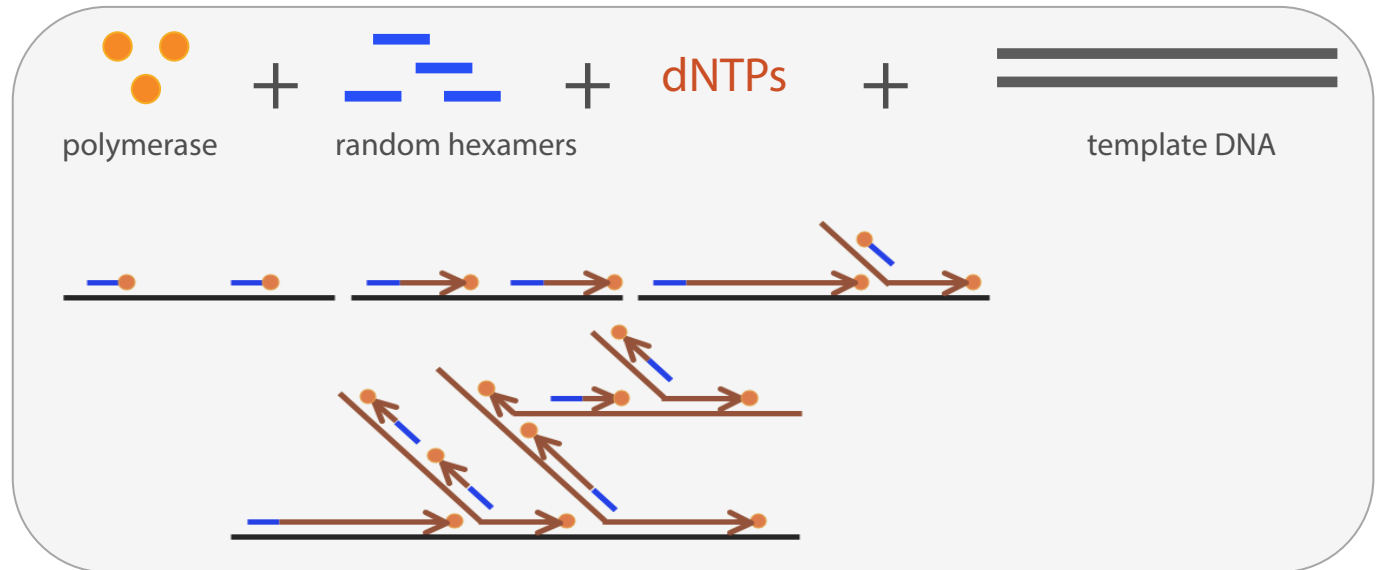
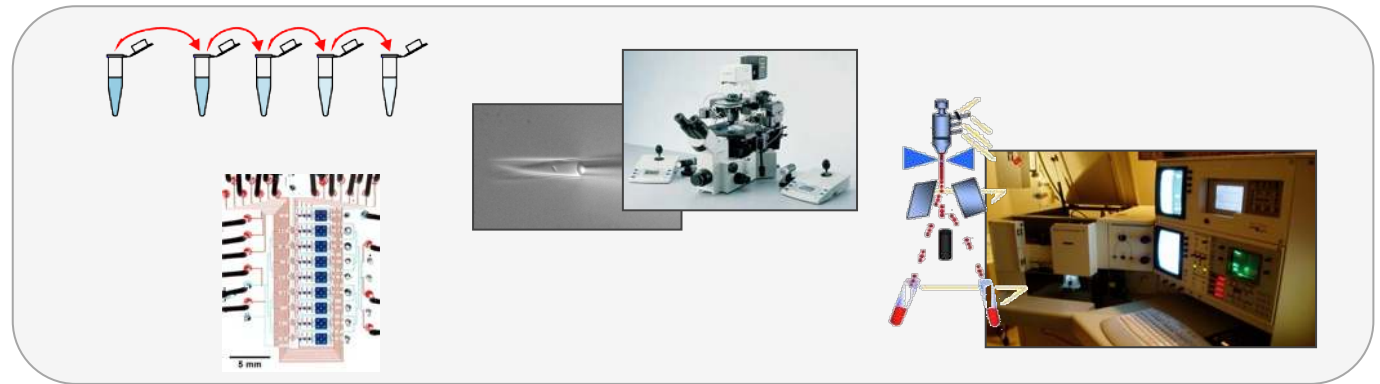
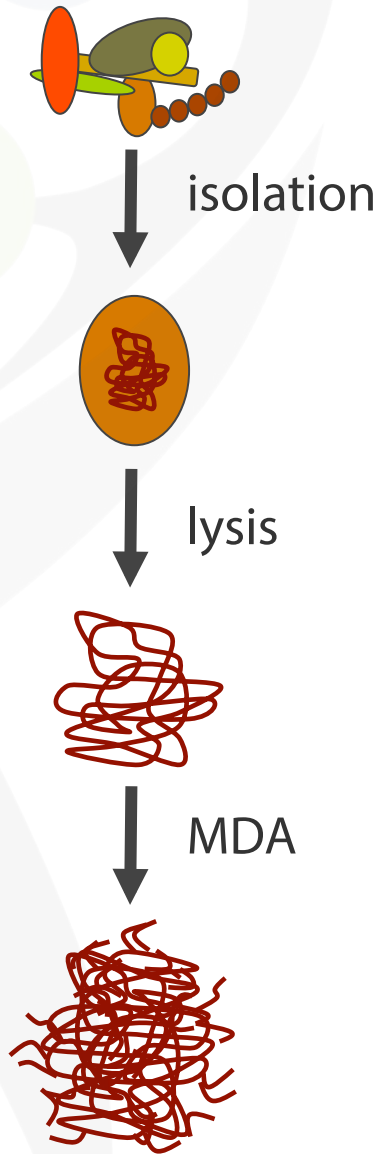
← marker genes





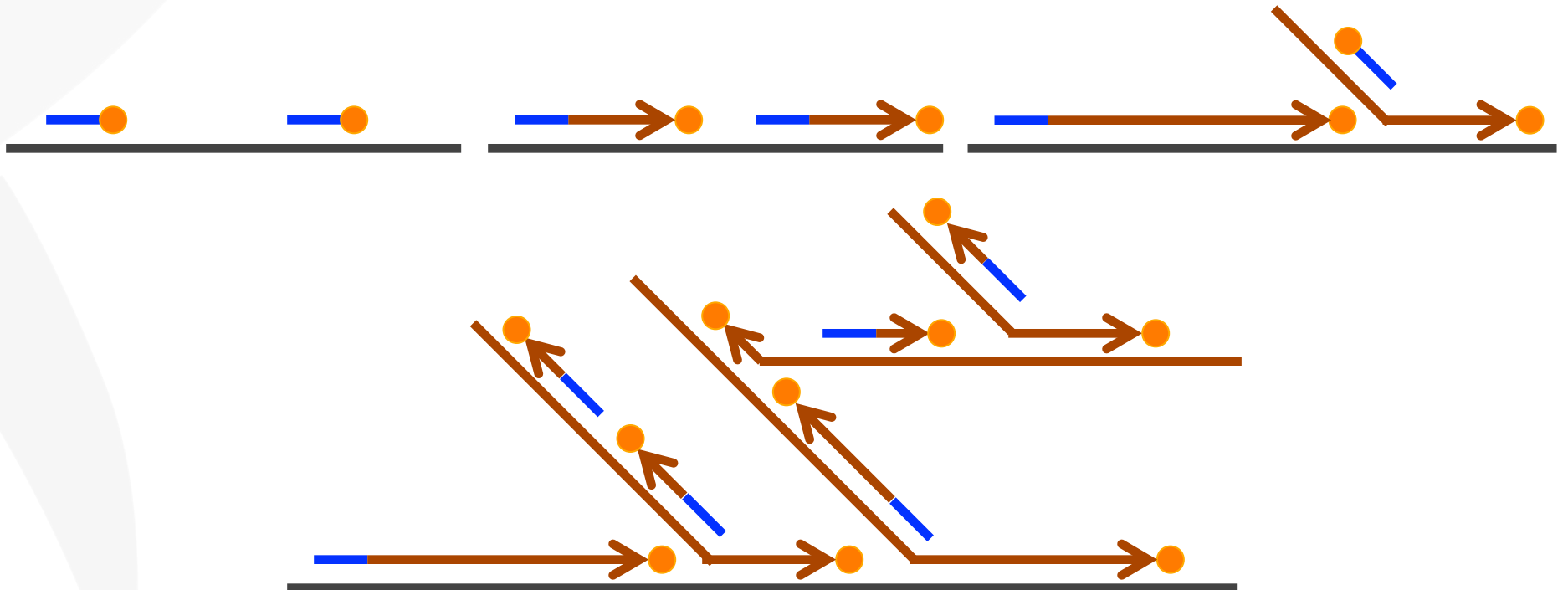
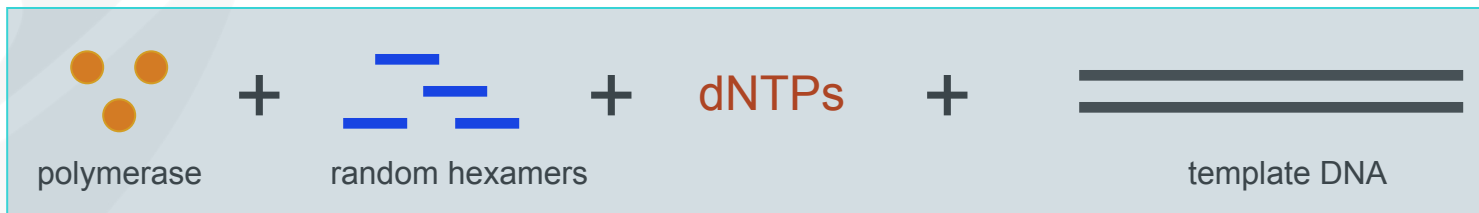
biased: only some players can be cultured	biased: limited lysis & cell isolation	biased: only some organisms susceptible to enrichments	biased: assemblies largely limited to abundant players
applicability: +	applicability: +++	applicability: +	applicability: ++++
culturing can introduce genotype changes	genome snapshot at point in time	genome snapshot at point in time	genome snapshot at point in time
axenic: no assembly challenges	heterogenous populations may be dissected	heterogenous populations: assembly challenge	heterogenous populations: assembly challenge
phenotypic characterization / metadata: extensive	phenotypic characterization / metadata: limited to non-existing	phenotypic characterization / metadata: limited to non-existing	phenotypic characterization / metadata: limited to non-existing
generally less expensive	requires more specialized equipment, costly, technical challenges (bias, chimera..)	possibly requires more specialized equipment, costly	generally less expensive

The single-cell approach: how it works

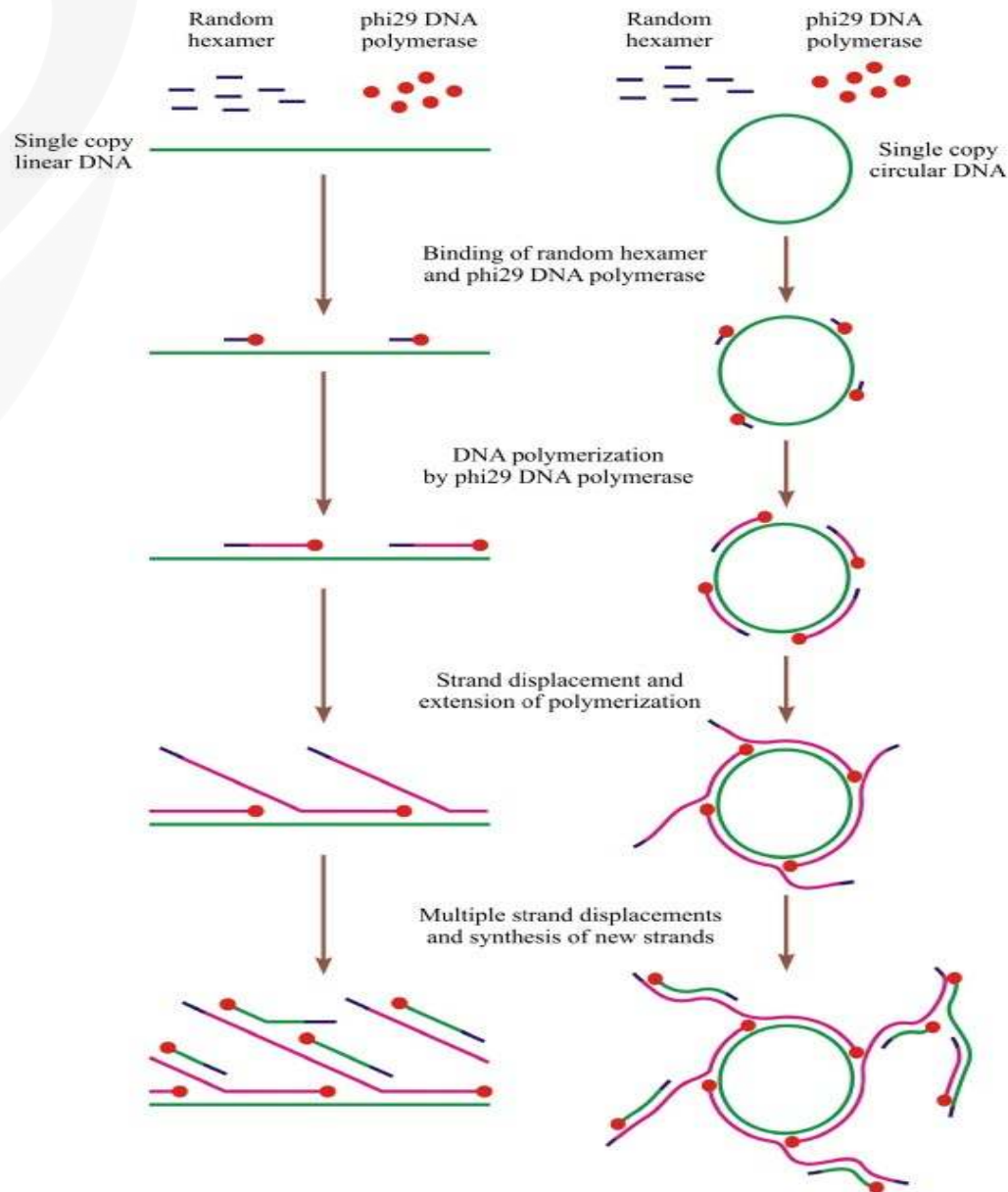


Multiple displacement amplification (MDA)

- isothermal amplification process
- requires polymerase + random primers + dNTPs



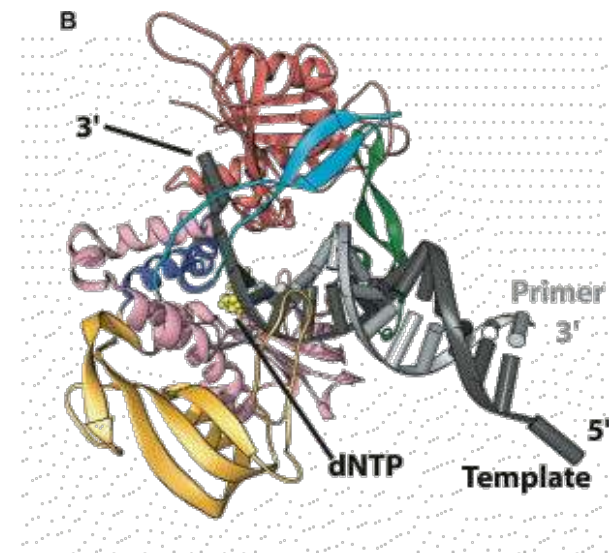
MDA on linear & circular templates



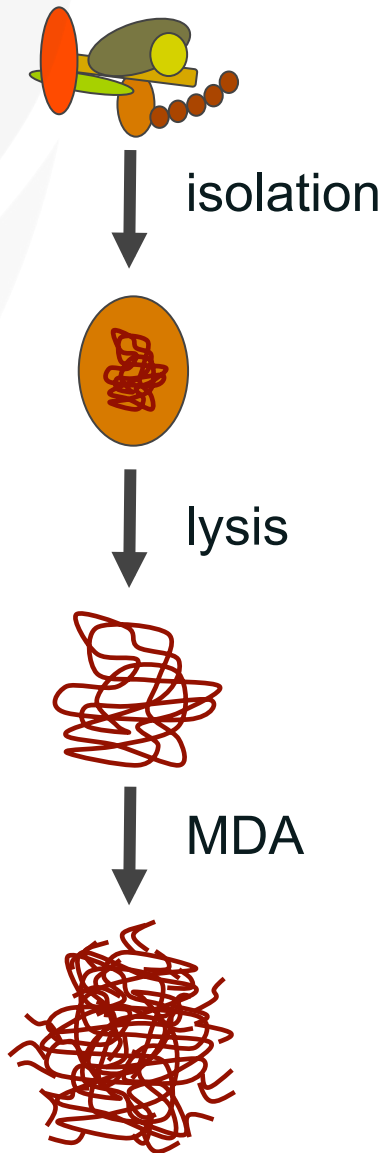
J. Rajendhran et al, 2008
(Biotechnology Advances)

Phi29

- DNA polymerase from phage phi29 ($\Phi 29$)
- exceptional strand displacement properties
- --> 100 kb amplicons(!)
- replication at moderate temperatures
- extreme processivity
- 3'→5' exonuclease activity
- high-fidelity (error rate $\sim 5 \times 10^{-6}$)



Key challenges



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Sample contamination
(‘hitchhiker’ DNA)

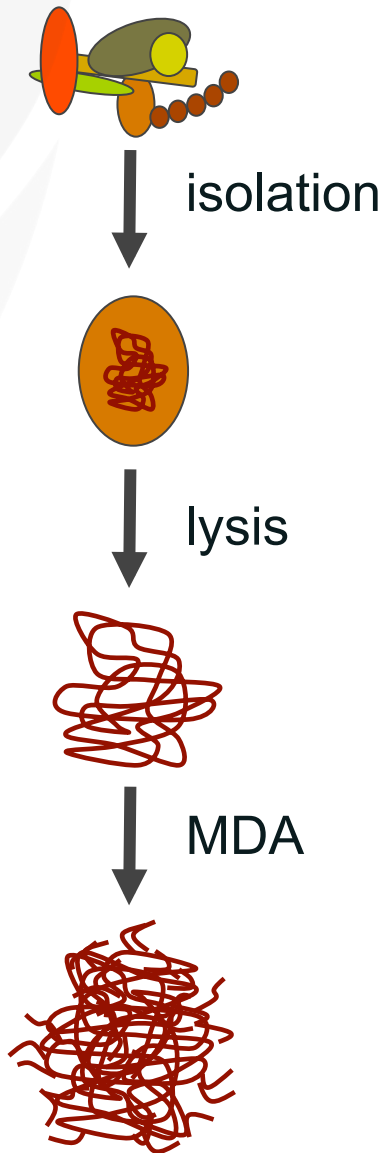
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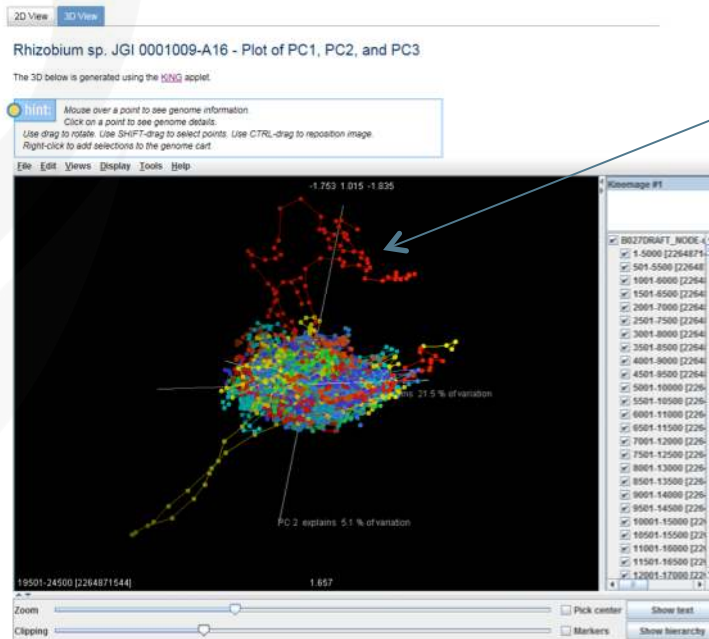
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QC of single cell data is critical

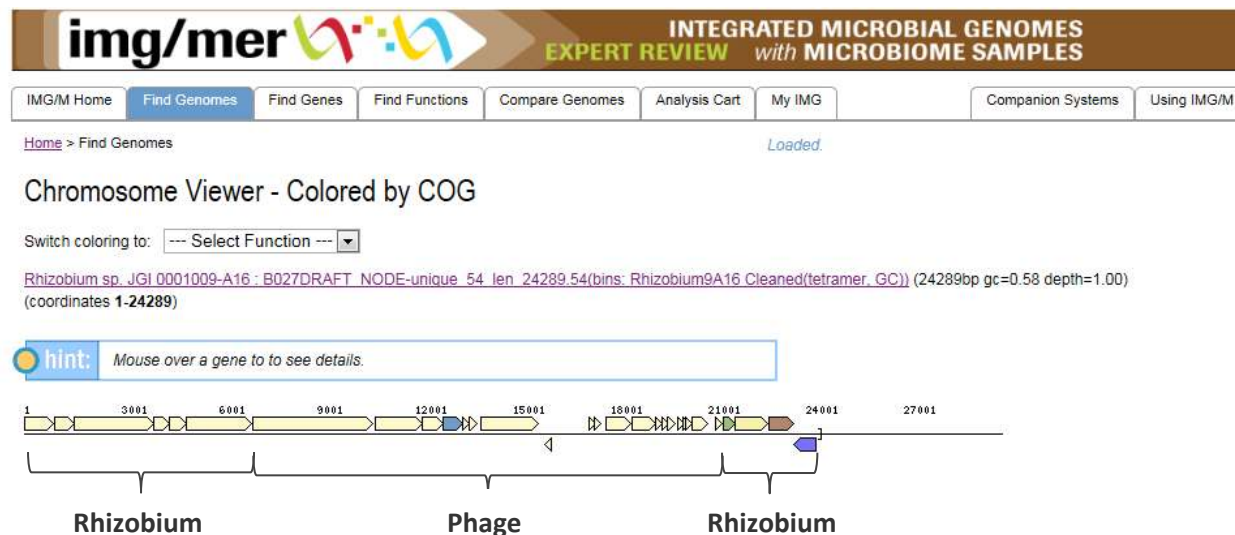
- 16S rRNA gene and marker gene phylogenetic analyzes
 - Tetramer analysis (Kmer Frequency Analysis) and GC contents
 - BLAST analyzes and IMG's Phylogenetic profiler
 - Removal of contamination via binning and data reload
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Tetramer analysis



This red scaffold has points in the main cloud but extends well out.

Clicking on the points in this scaffold opens a separate window with more detail on the scaffold shown below.

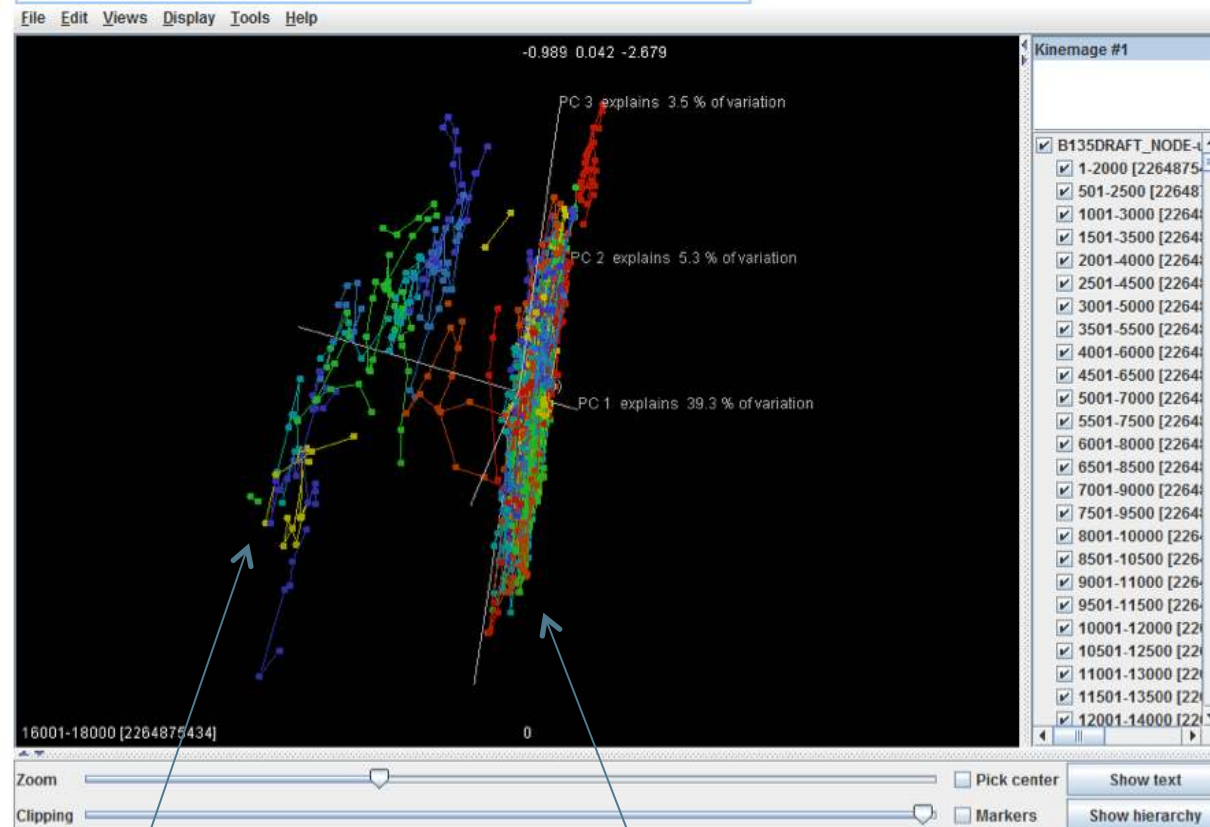


Tetramer analysis

Staphylococcus sp. JGI 0001002-I23 - Plot of PC1, PC2, and PC3

The 3D below is generated using the [KING](#) applet.

hint: Mouse over a point to see genome information.
Click on a point to see genome details.
Use drag to rotate. Use SHIFT-drag to select points. Use CTRL-drag to reposition image.
Right-click to add selections to the genome cart.



Potential
Contaminants

Target Organism

GC contents

Select GC Content from drop down menu then click Show Histogram.

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Scaffolds by GC Content

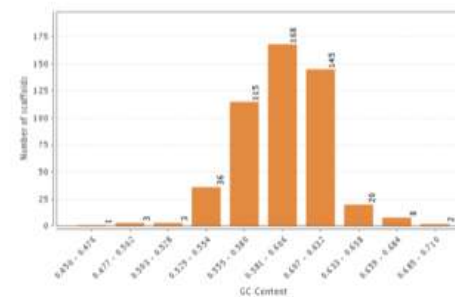
Total numbers of selected scaffolds: 501
GC Percent from 45 to 71

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☐	0.555 - 0.580	115
☐	0.581 - 0.606	168
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☐	0.659 - 0.684	8
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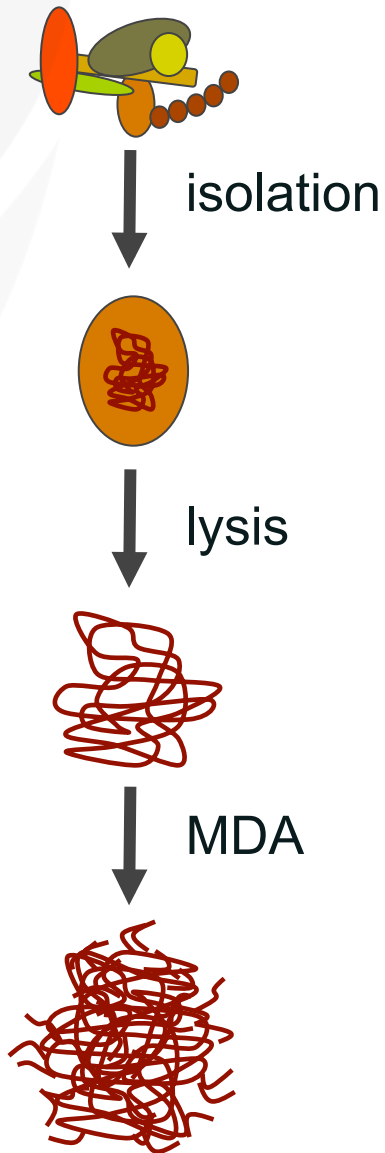


Phylogenetic profiler

Guideline by Scott Clingenpeel
(<https://img.jgi.doe.gov>)

☒	B	Acidobacteria	7 (1)	1 (1)	0.08%							
☒	B	Actinobacteria	280 (1)	1 (1)	0.08%							
☒	B	Cyanobacteria	64 (2)	2 (2)	0.17%							
☒	B	Bacilli	568 (30)	27 (15)	2.23%		54 (19)	4.47%		925 (17)	76.51%	
☒	B	Clostridia	231 (2)	2 (2)	0.17%							
☒	B	Planctomycetes	11 (2)	2 (2)	0.17%							
☒	B	Alphaproteobacteria	255 (17)	13 (12)	1.08%		8 (6)	0.66%		1 (1)	0.08%	
☒	B	Betaproteobacteria	179 (2)	4 (2)	0.33%							
☒	B	Deltaproteobacteria	57 (1)	1 (1)	0.08%							
☒	B	Gammaproteobacteria	636 (8)	6 (6)	0.50%		1 (1)	0.08%		1 (1)	0.08%	
☒	B	Spirochaetes	60 (6)	20 (6)	1.65%		6 (1)	0.50%				
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☒	V	dsDNA viruses, no RNA stage	902 (3)	1 (1)	0.08%					3 (2)	0.25%	
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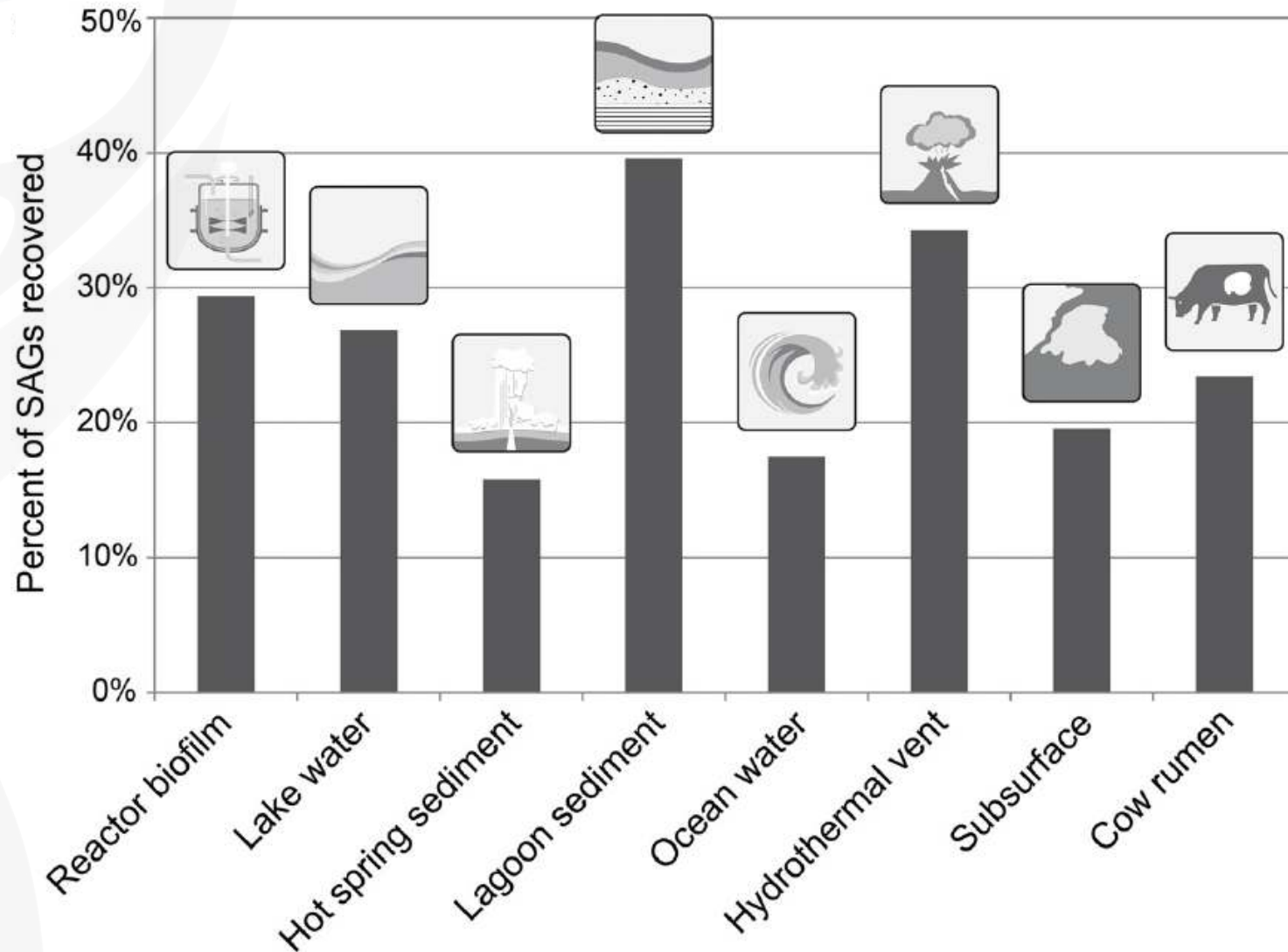
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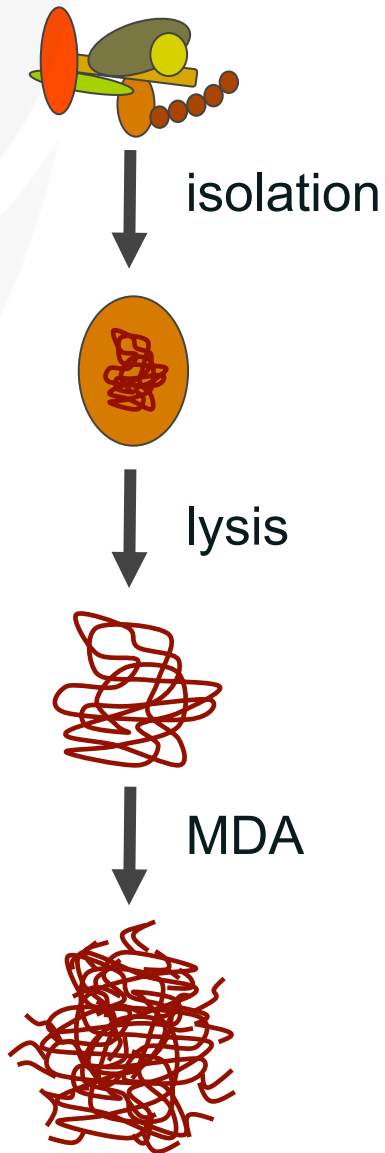
Reagent contamination

MDA bias

A fraction of single cells can be recovered



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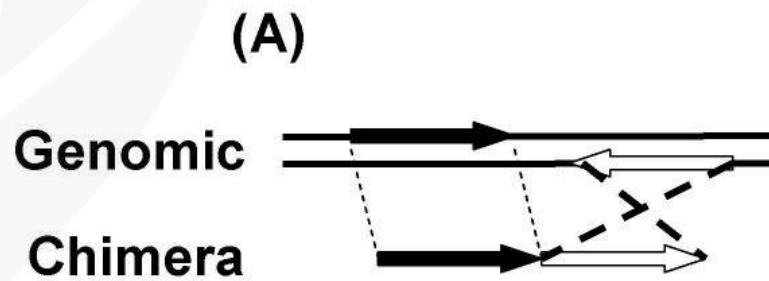
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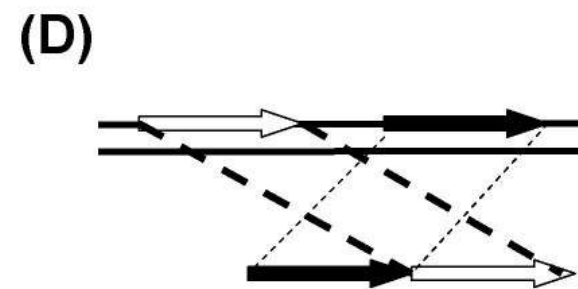
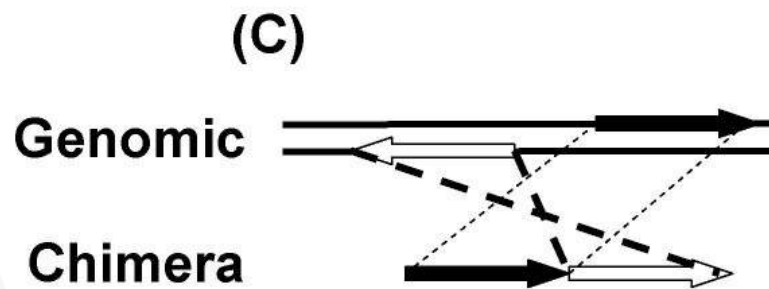
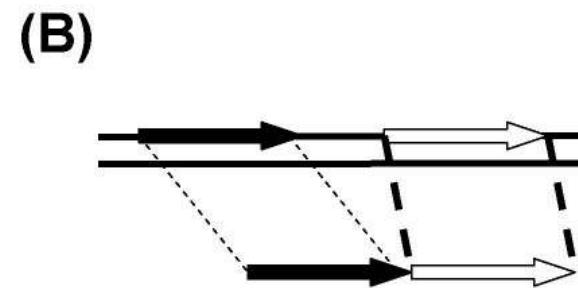
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Chimeric rearrangements

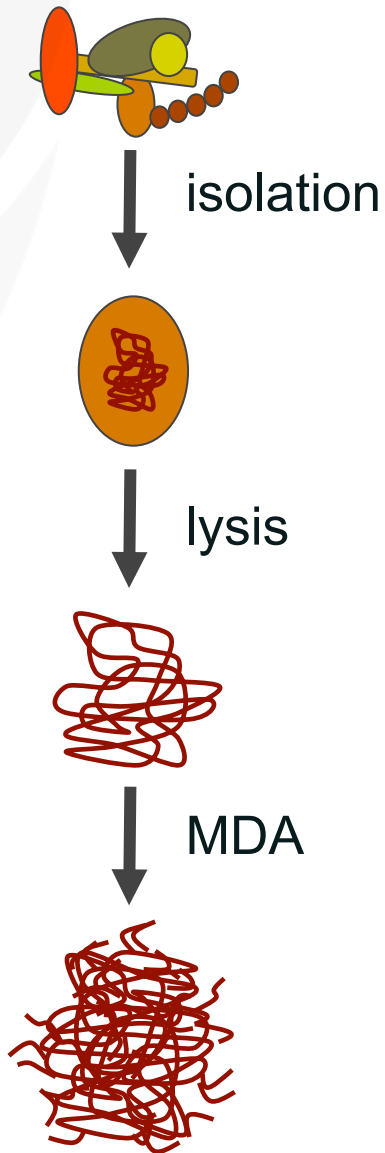
85% Inverted sequences



15% Direct sequences



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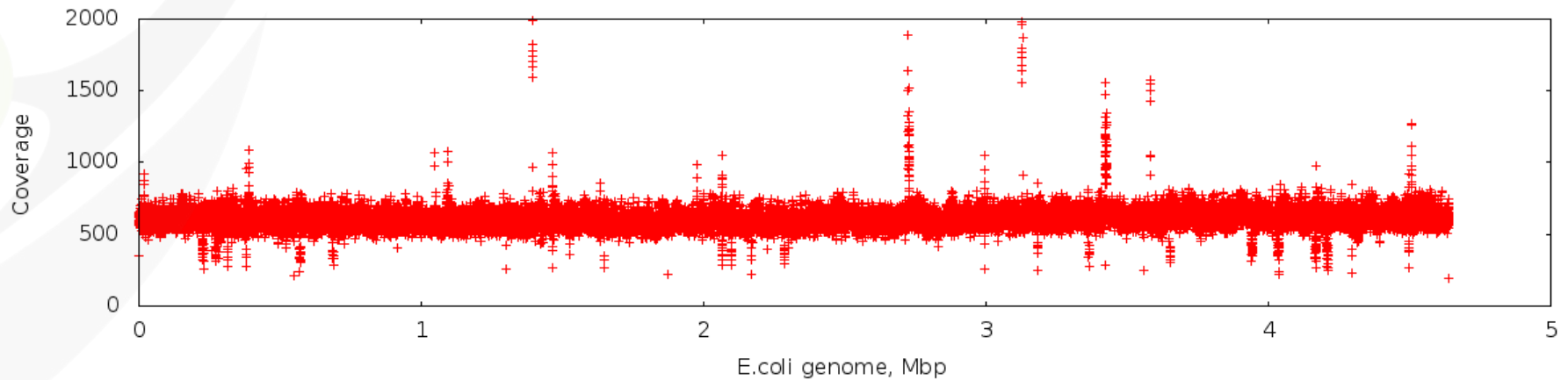
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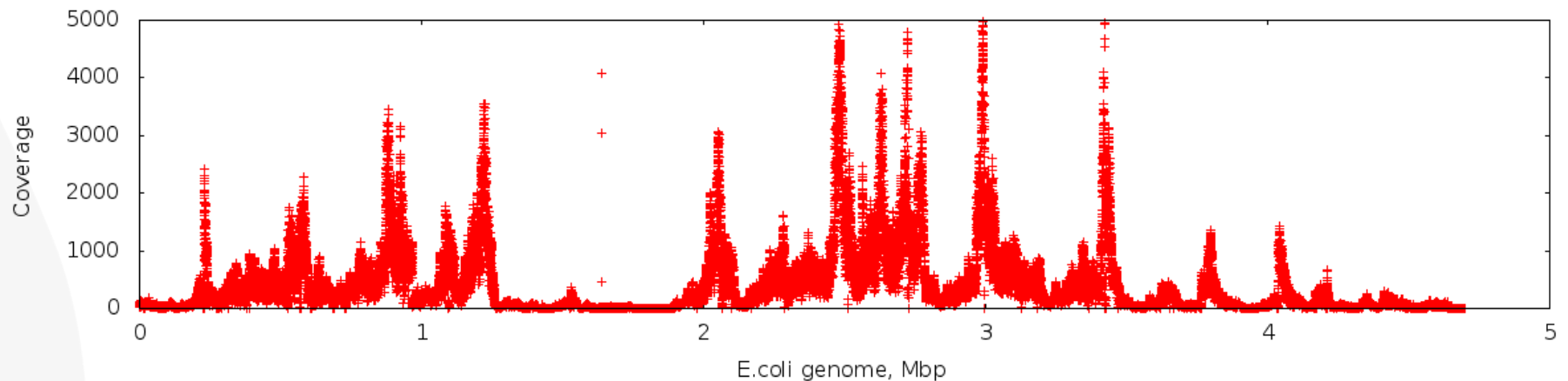
MDA bias

MDA – coverage bias

- *E. coli* isolate dataset

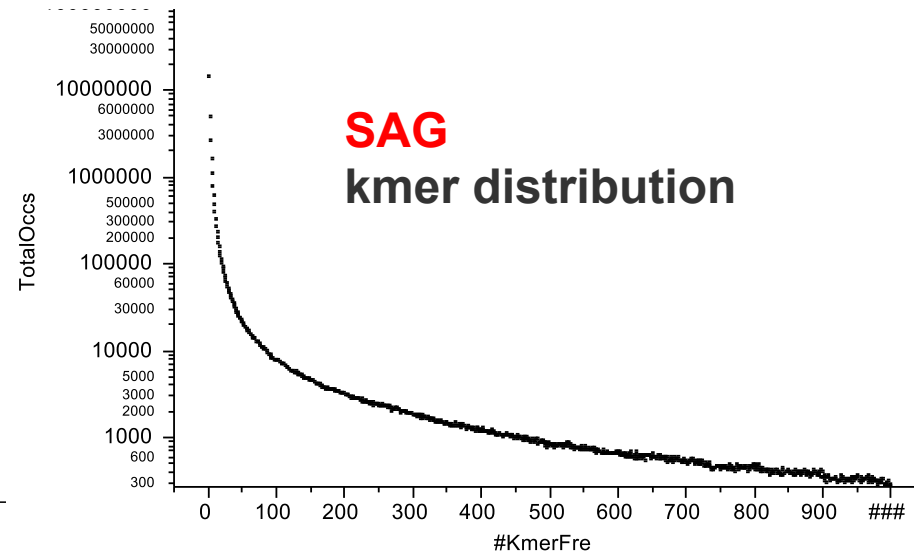
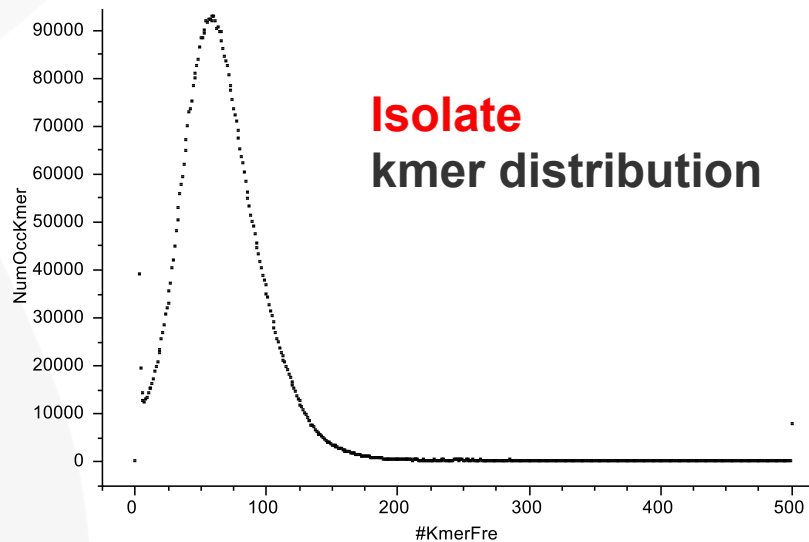
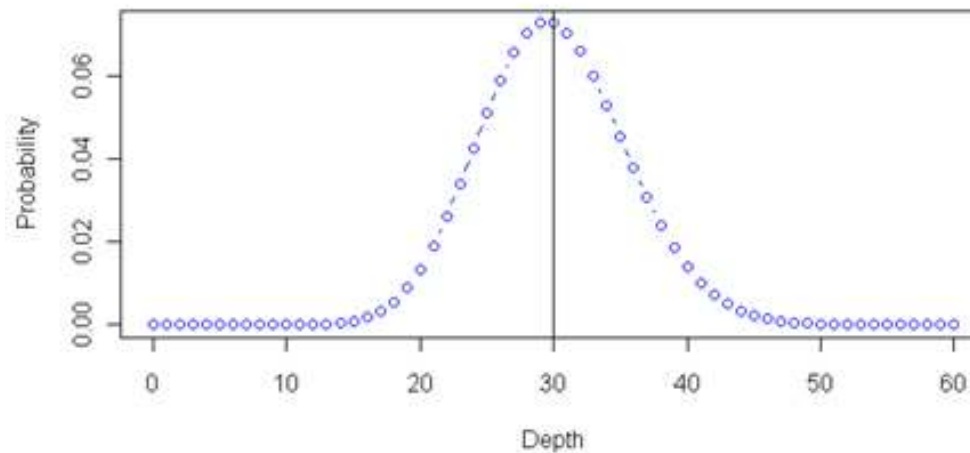


- *E. coli* single-cell dataset



MDA coverage bias

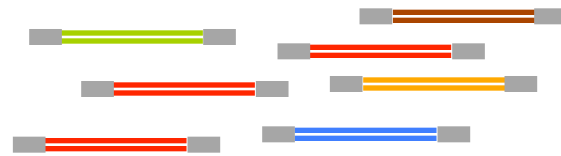
Shotgun sequencing **theoretical** kmer distribution



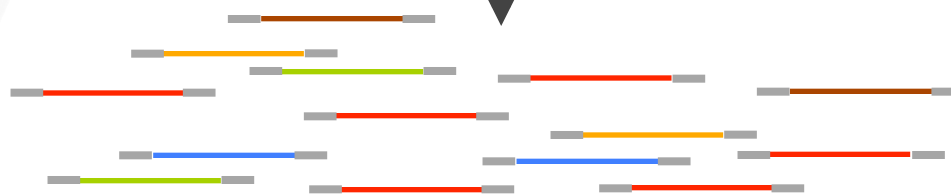
MDA DNA normalization (wet lab)



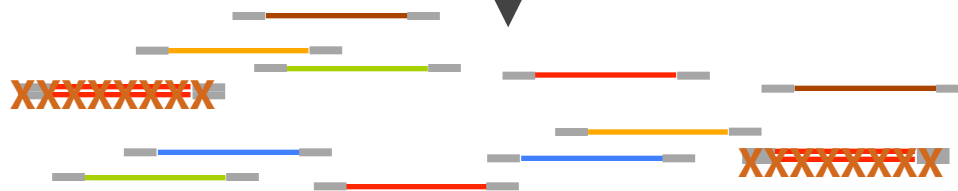
shear + linker ligation



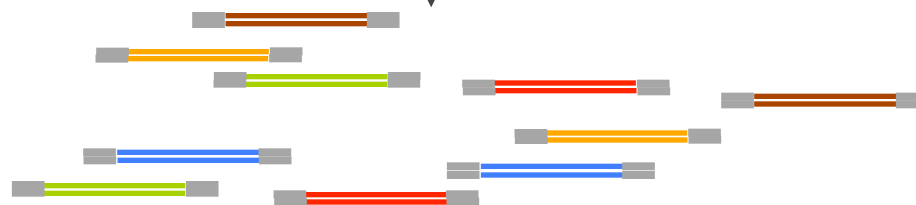
denaturation



hybridization + DSN treatment



PCR amplification

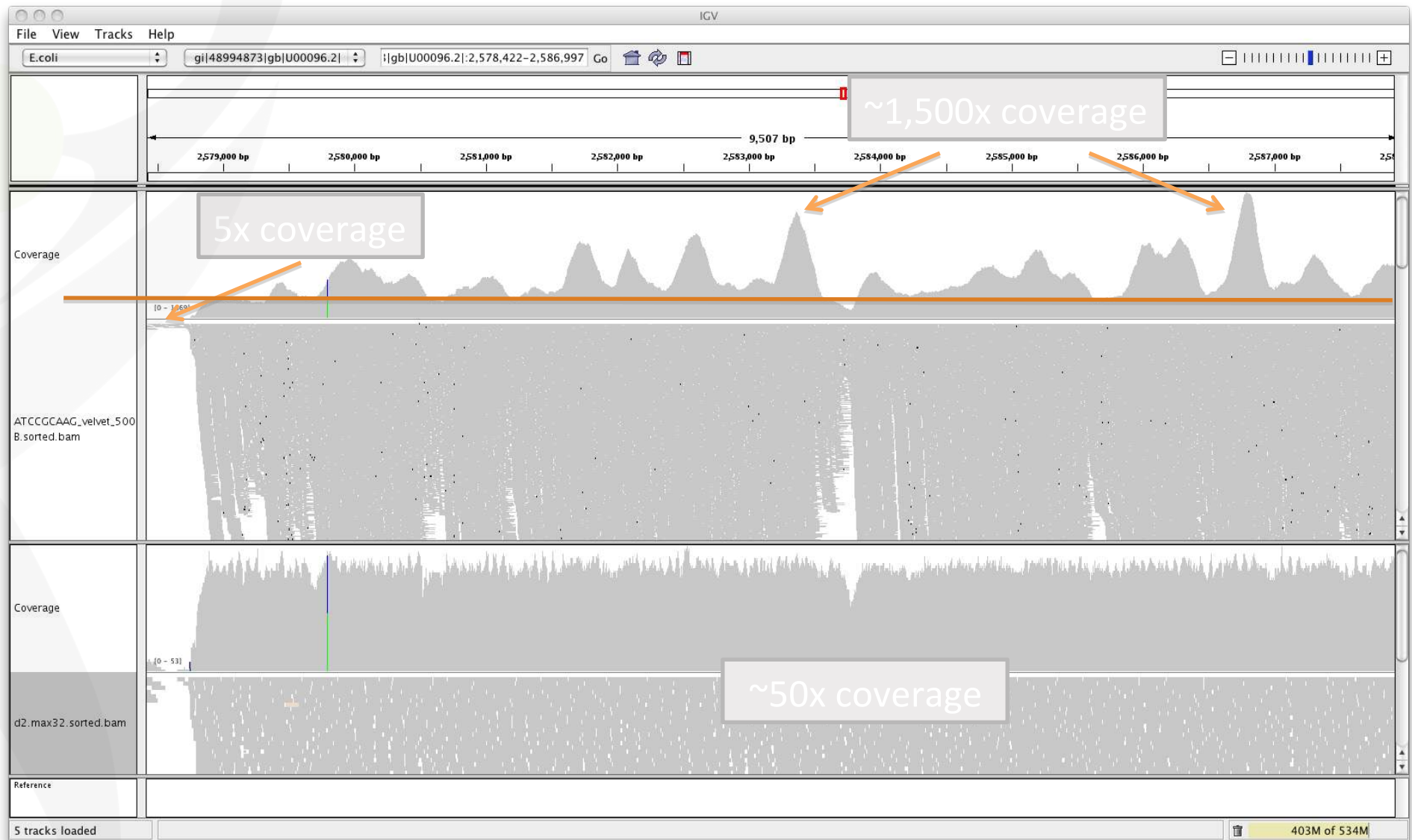


Biased MDA
DNA pool

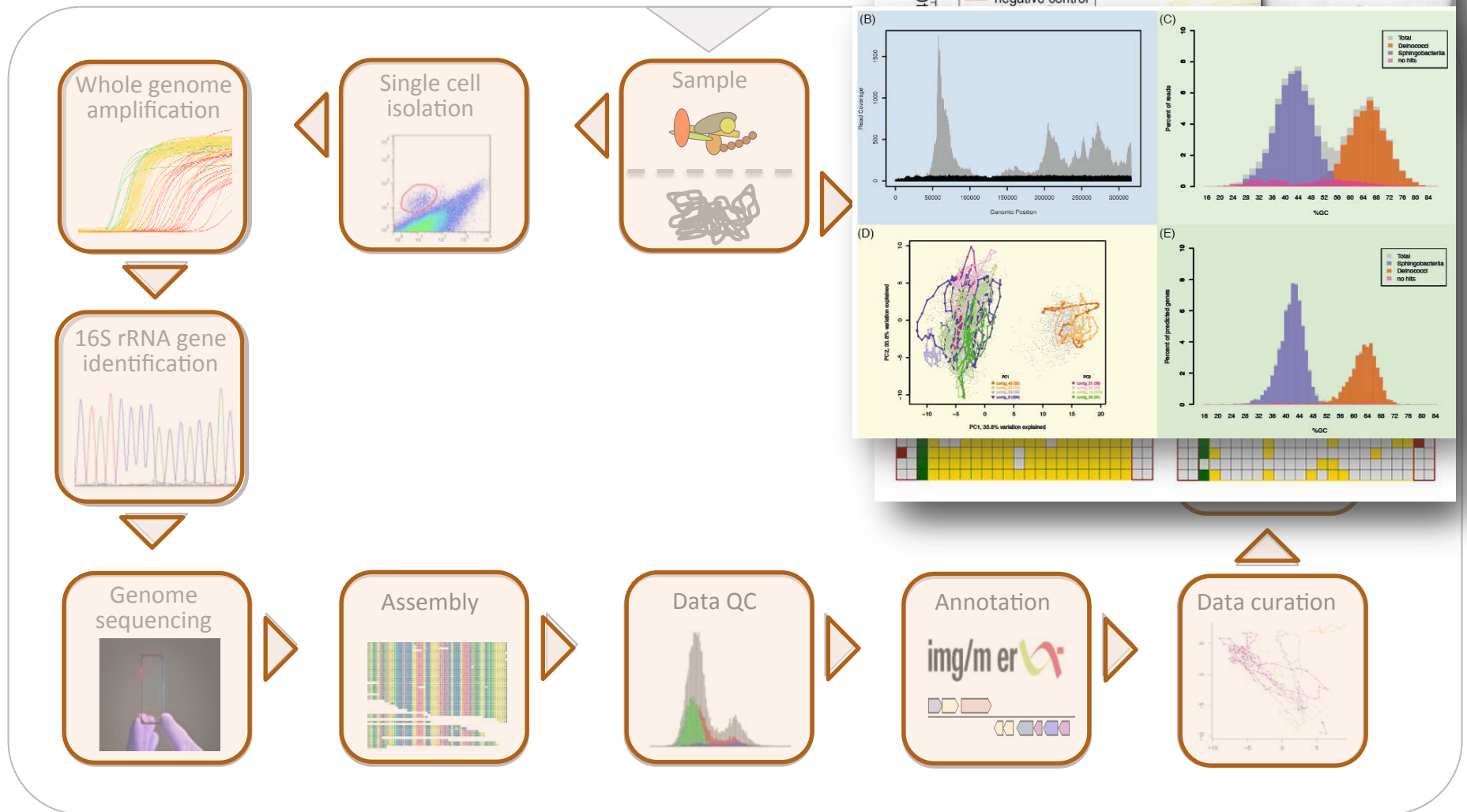


Normalized
MDA DNA pool

Coverage normalization (computational)



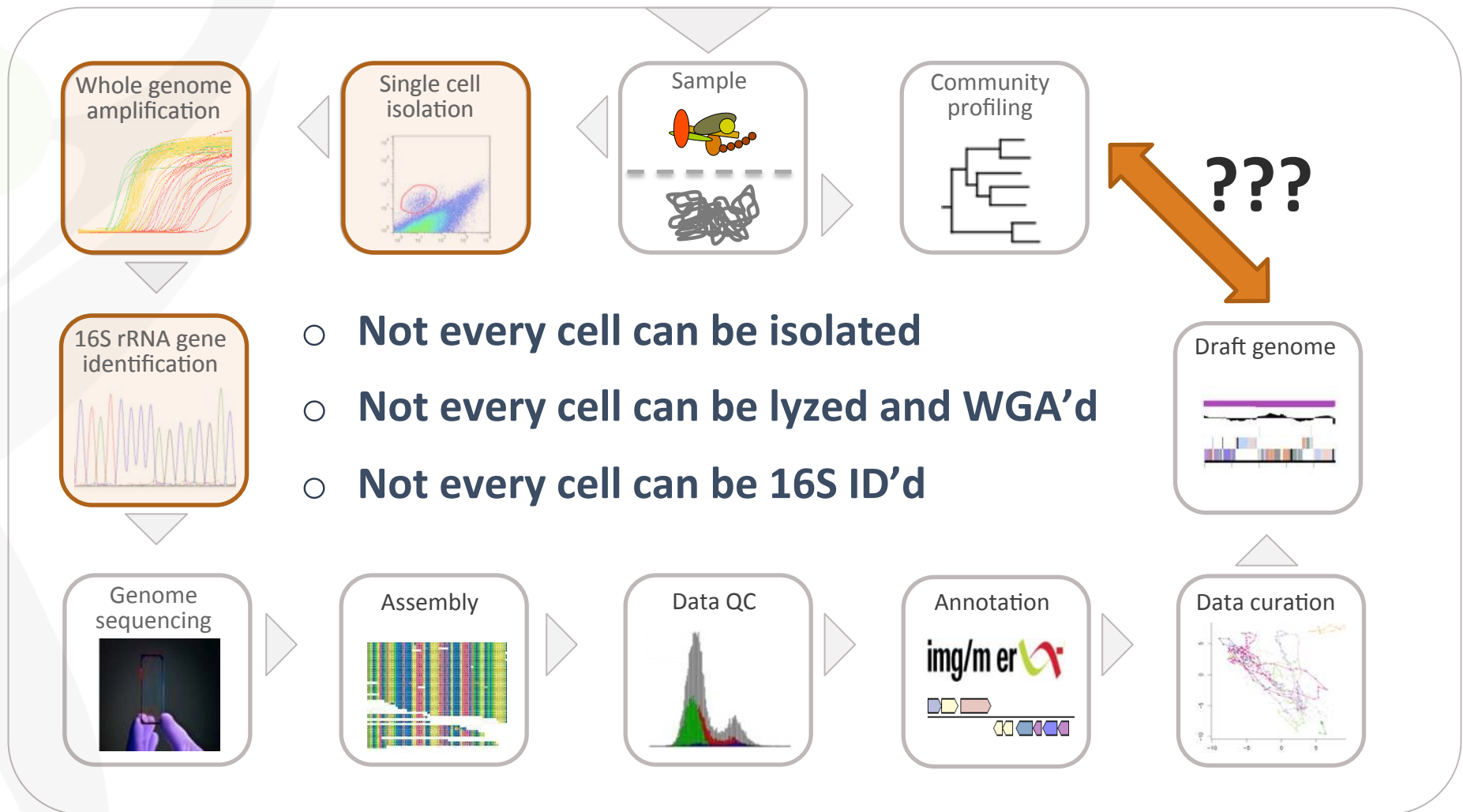
JGI single-cell sequencing pipeline



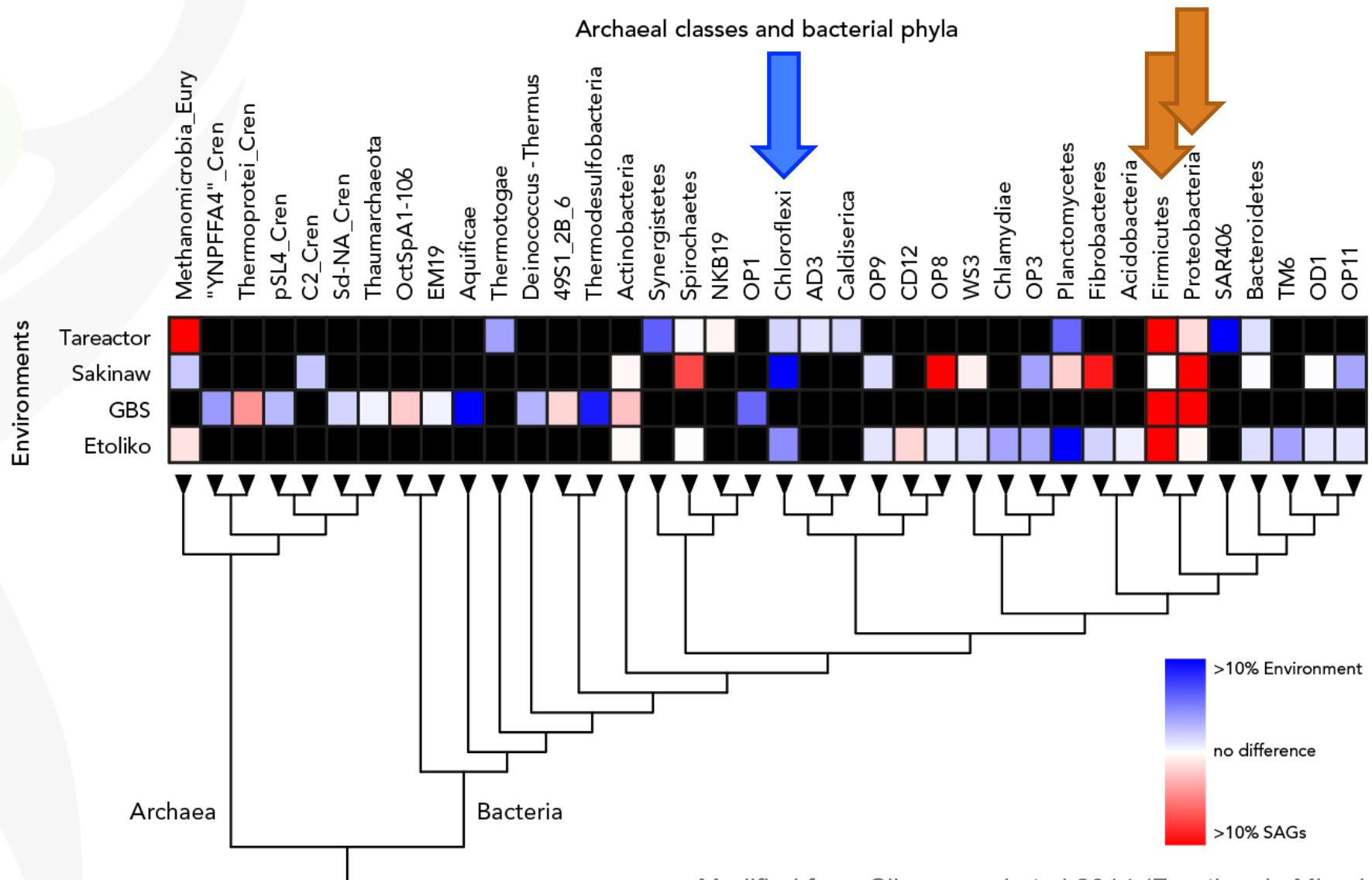
1-2 μ l MDA reactions possible with Echo LH



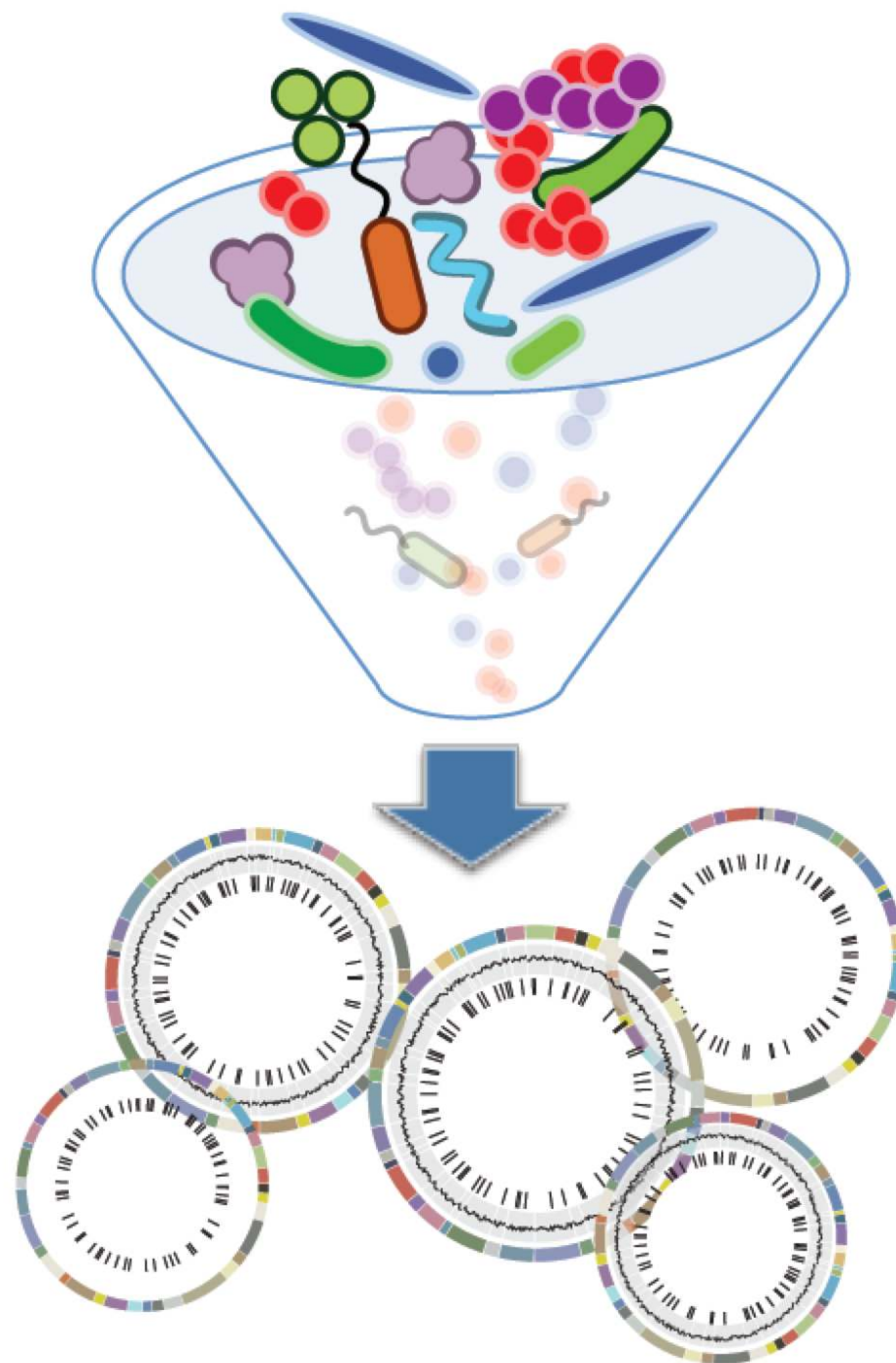
Current limitations: 100 cells $\neq$ 100 SAGs



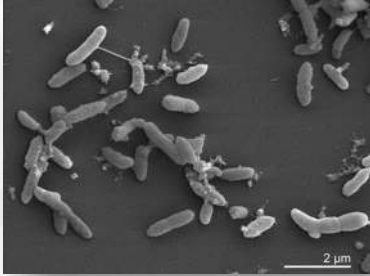
Recovered diversity: 16S tags vs SAGs



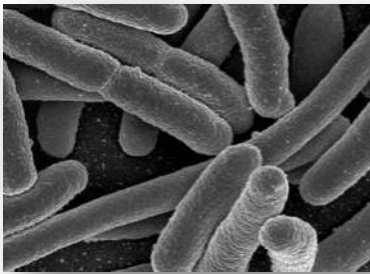
Modified from Clingenpeel et al 2014 (Frontiers in Microbiol)



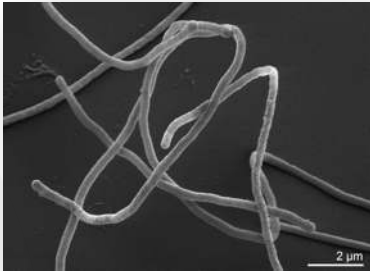
Benchmark experiment: what to expect?



P: *Pedobacter heparinus*
Size: 5,167,383 bp
GC-content: 42%



E: *Escherichia coli* str. K-12
Size: 4,639,675 bp
GC-content: 51%

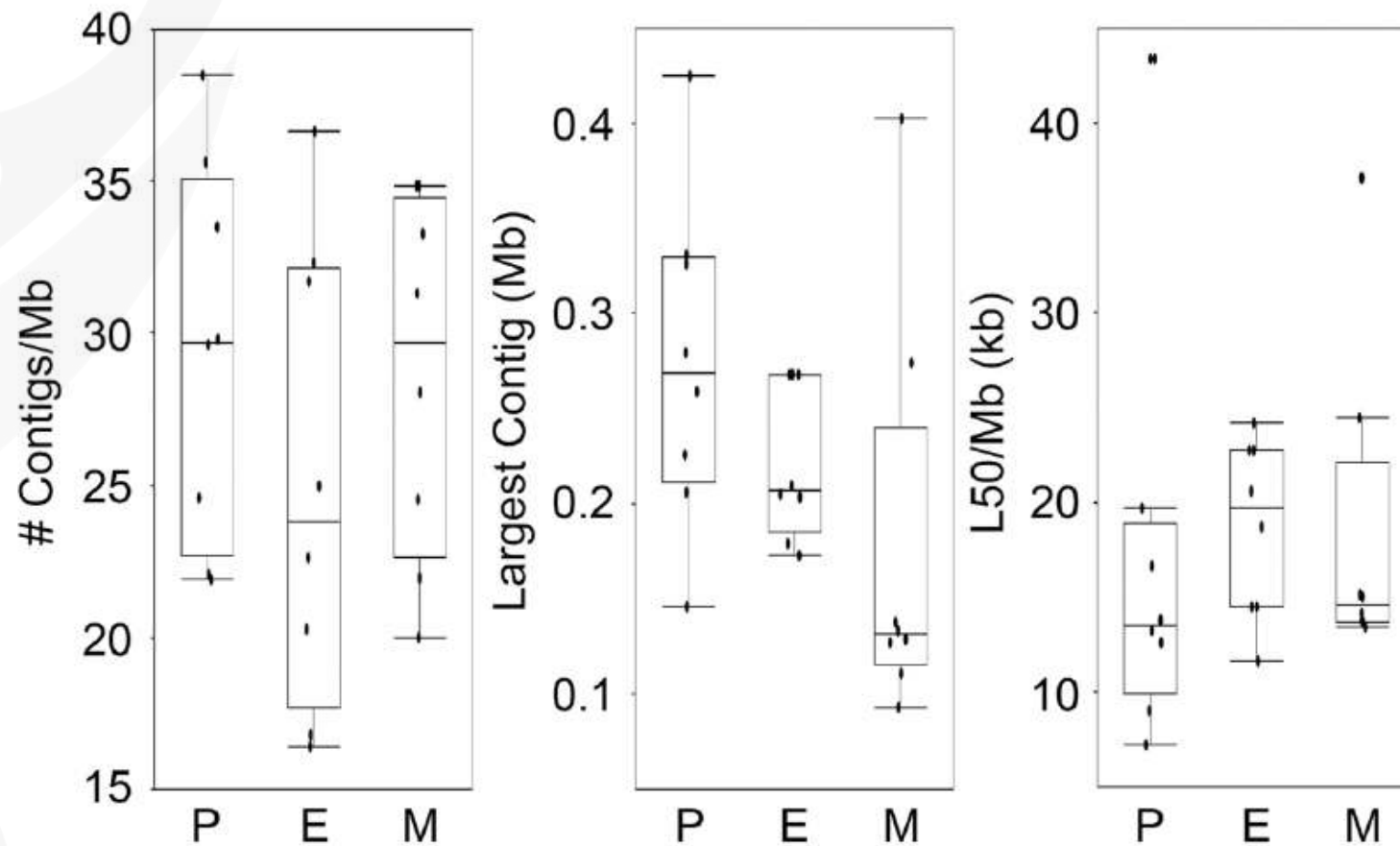


M: *Meiothermus ruber*
Size: 3,097,457 bp
GC-content: 63%

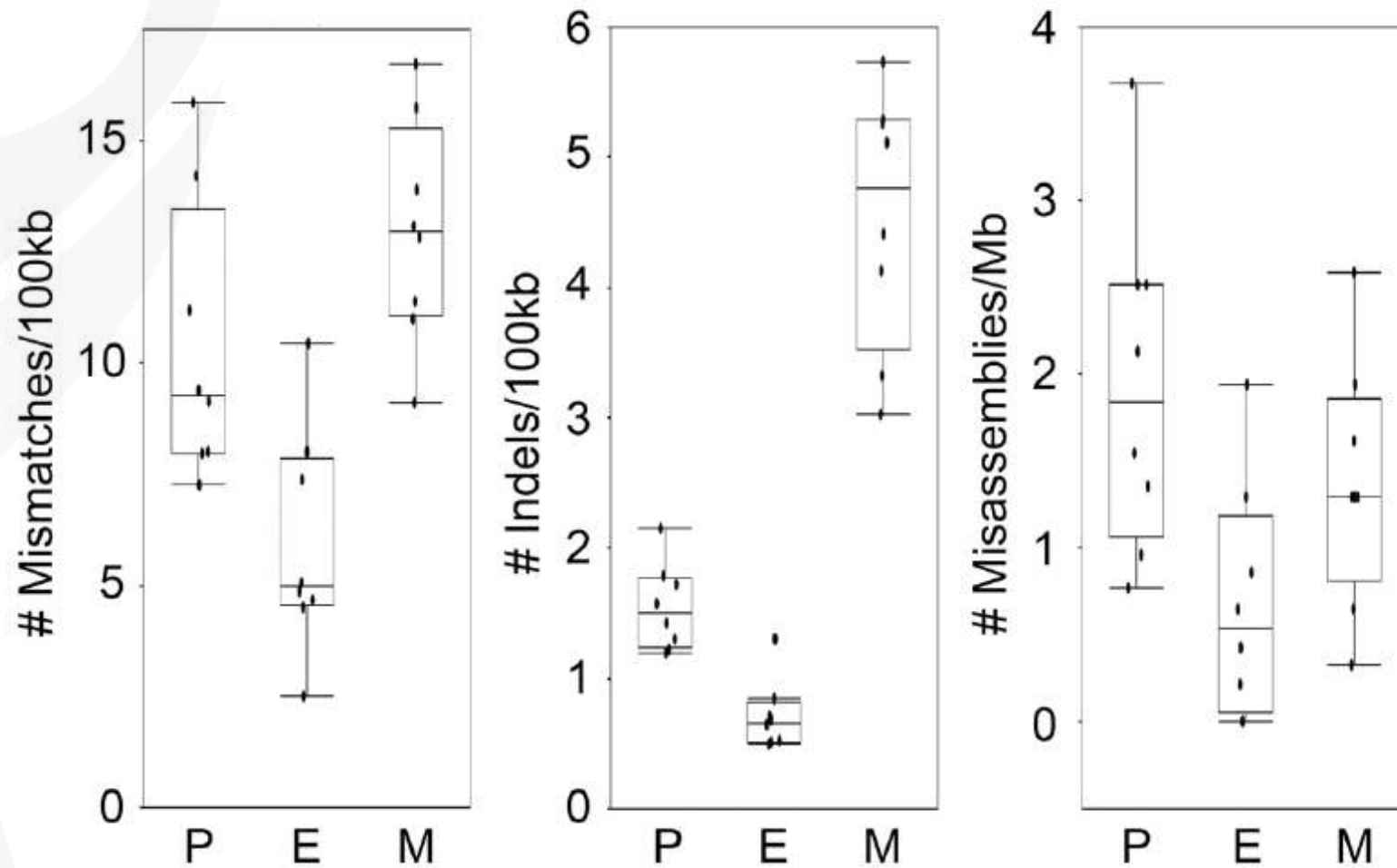
Sequenced 8 single-cell
genomes/each

Image source: <http://www.standardsingenomics.org>

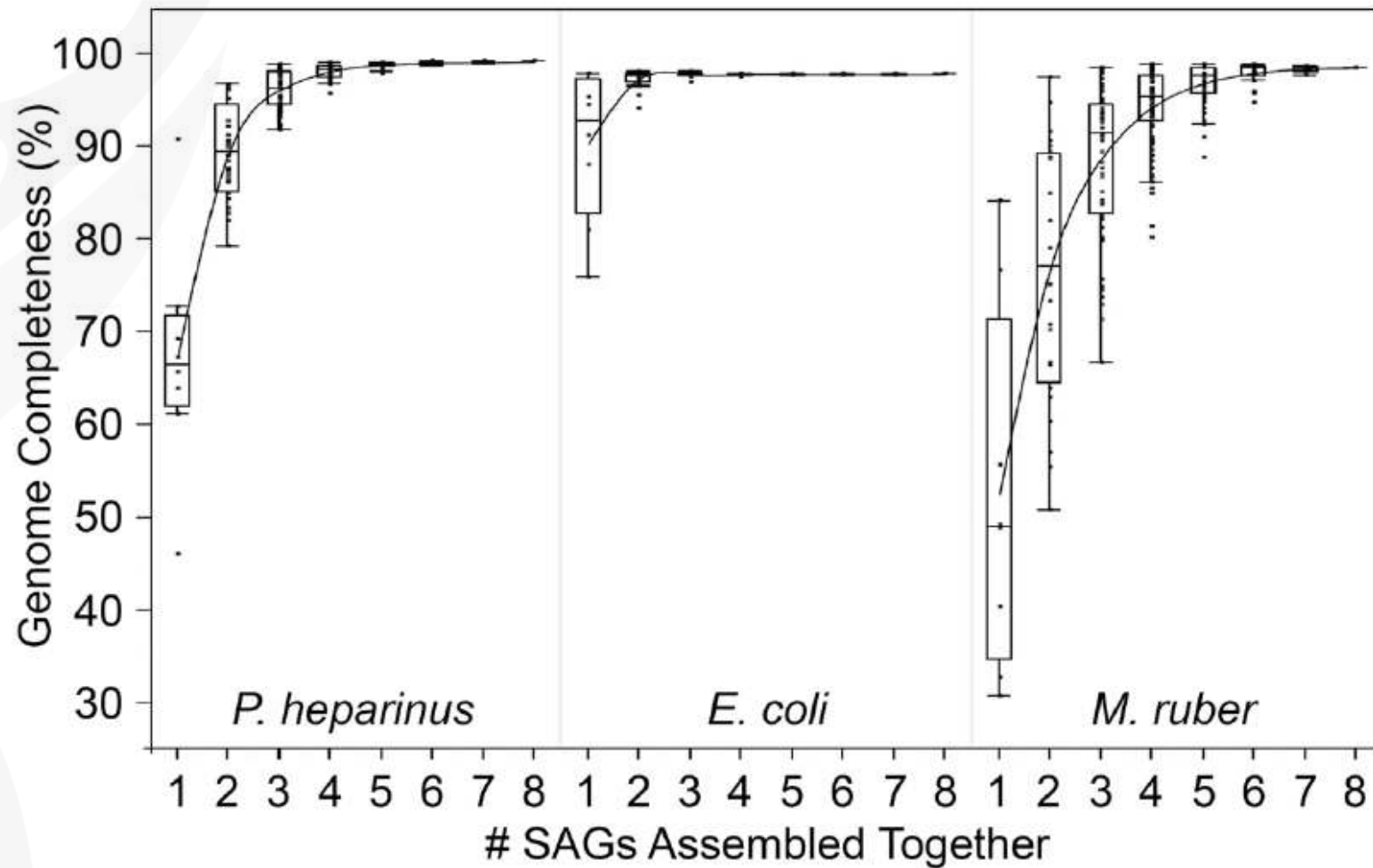
Assemblies are draft quality



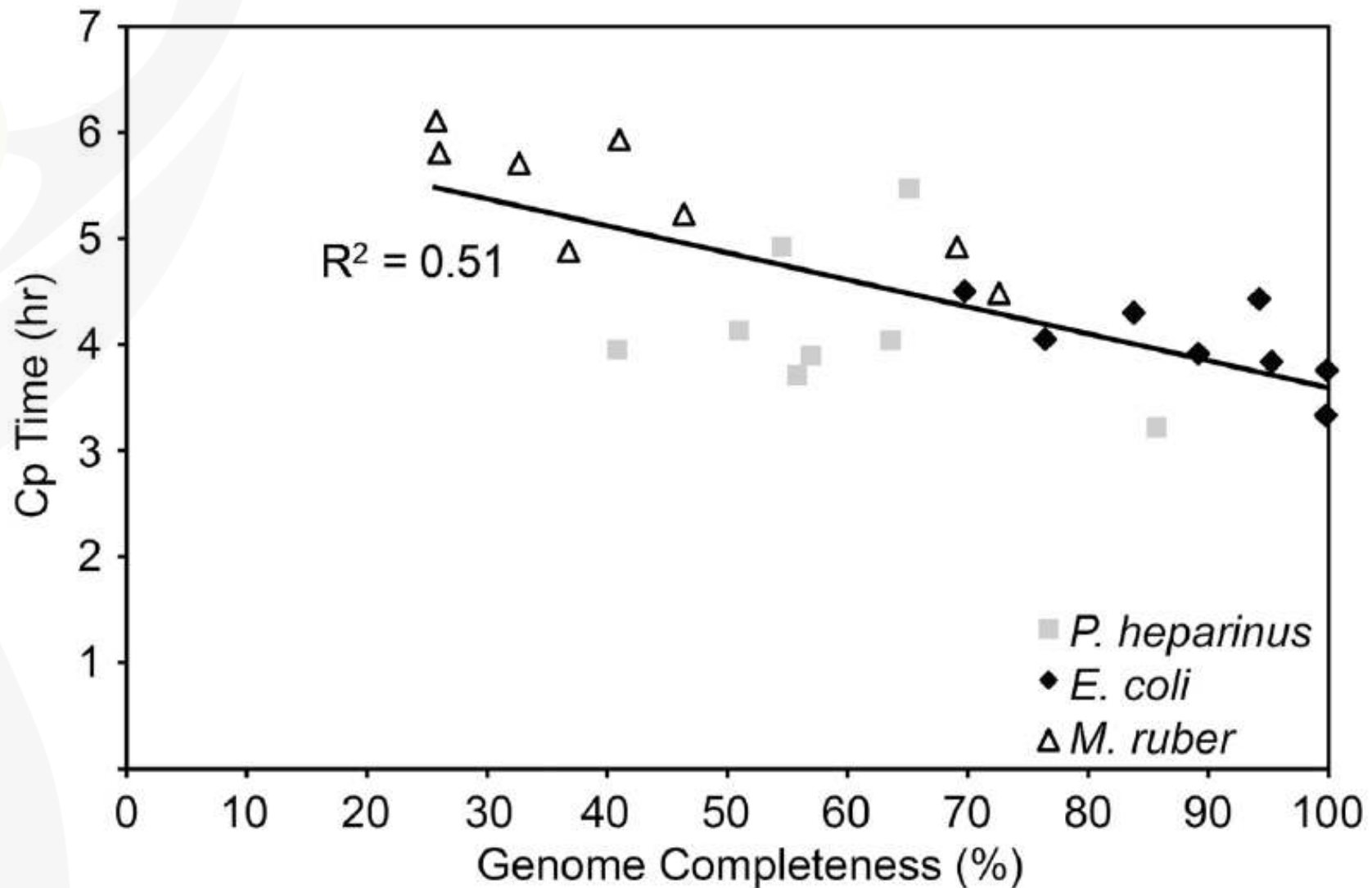
With minimal errors



SAG assemblies complement each other



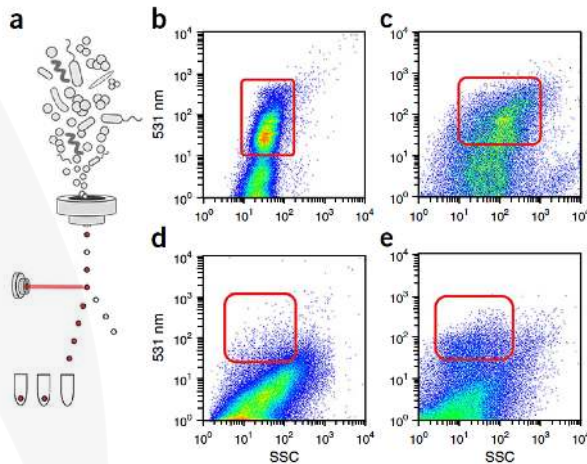
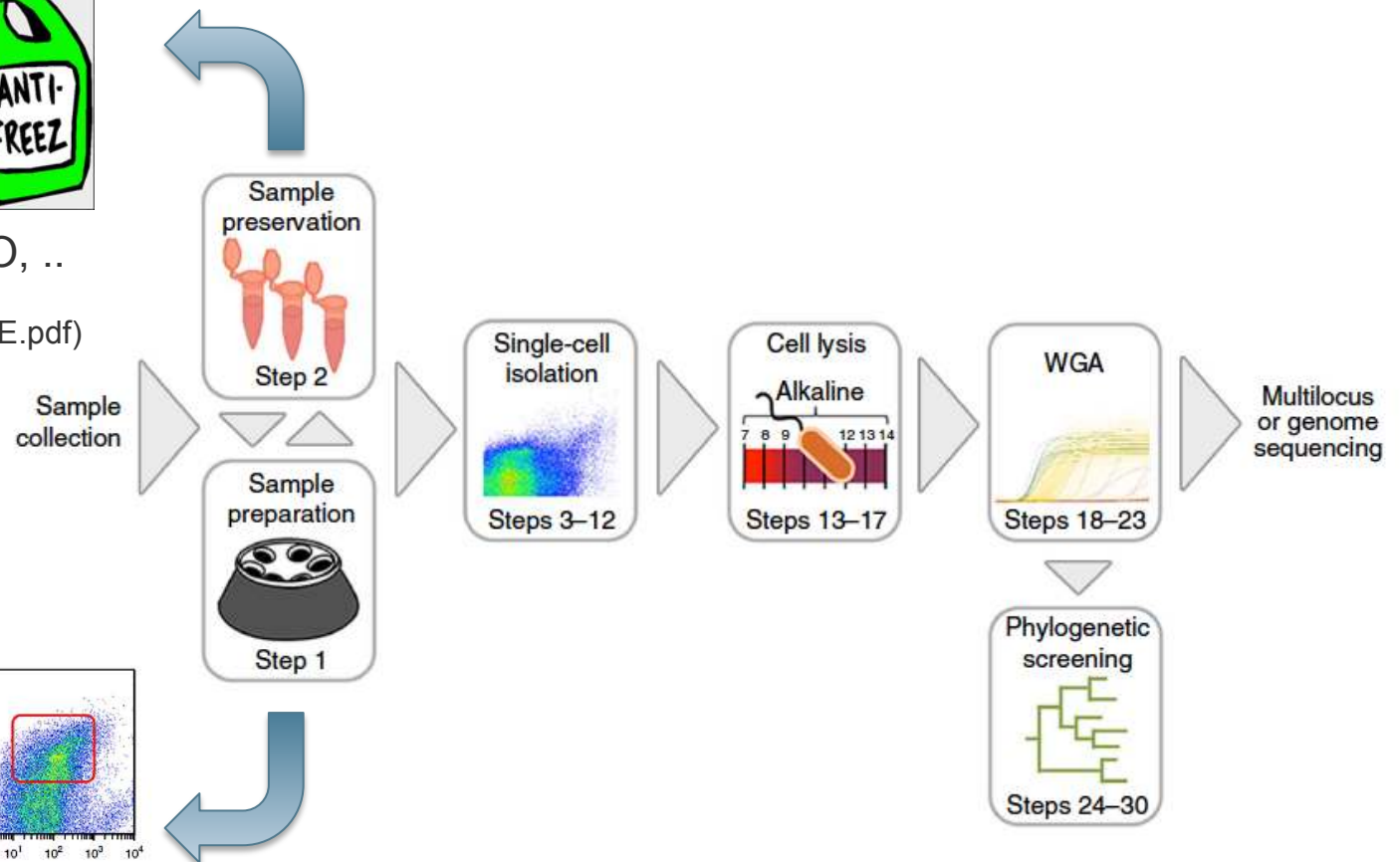
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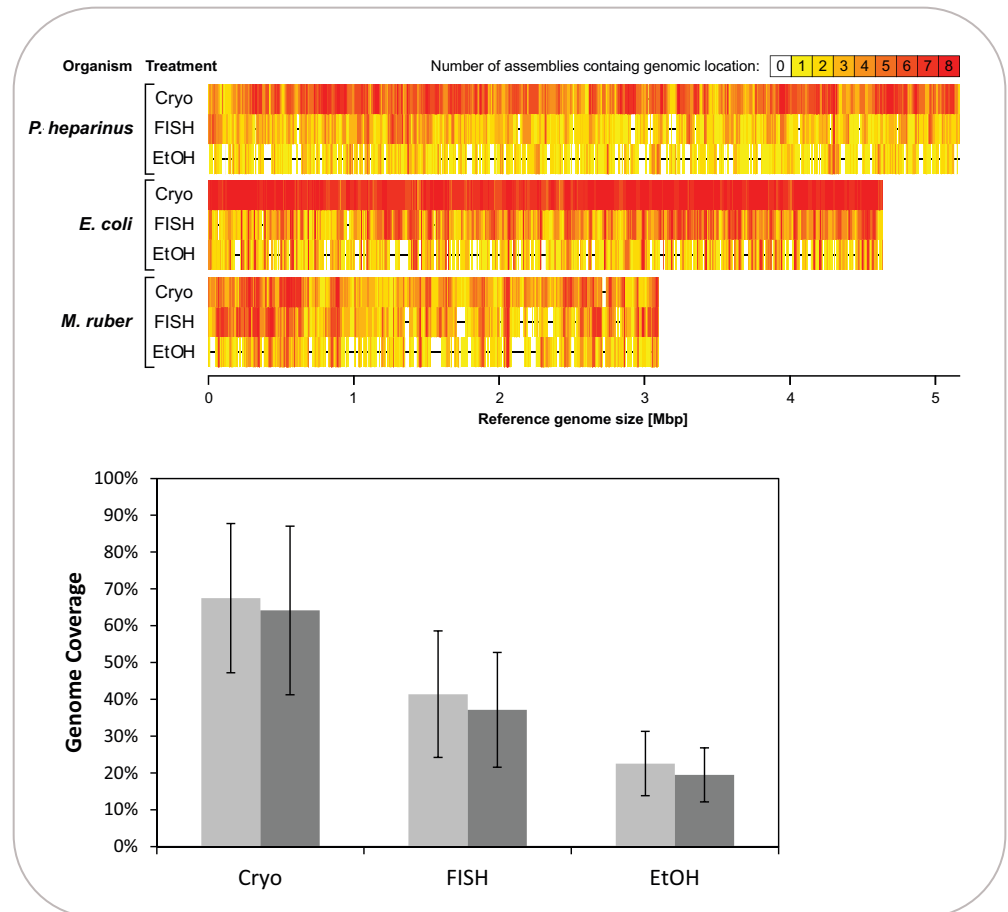
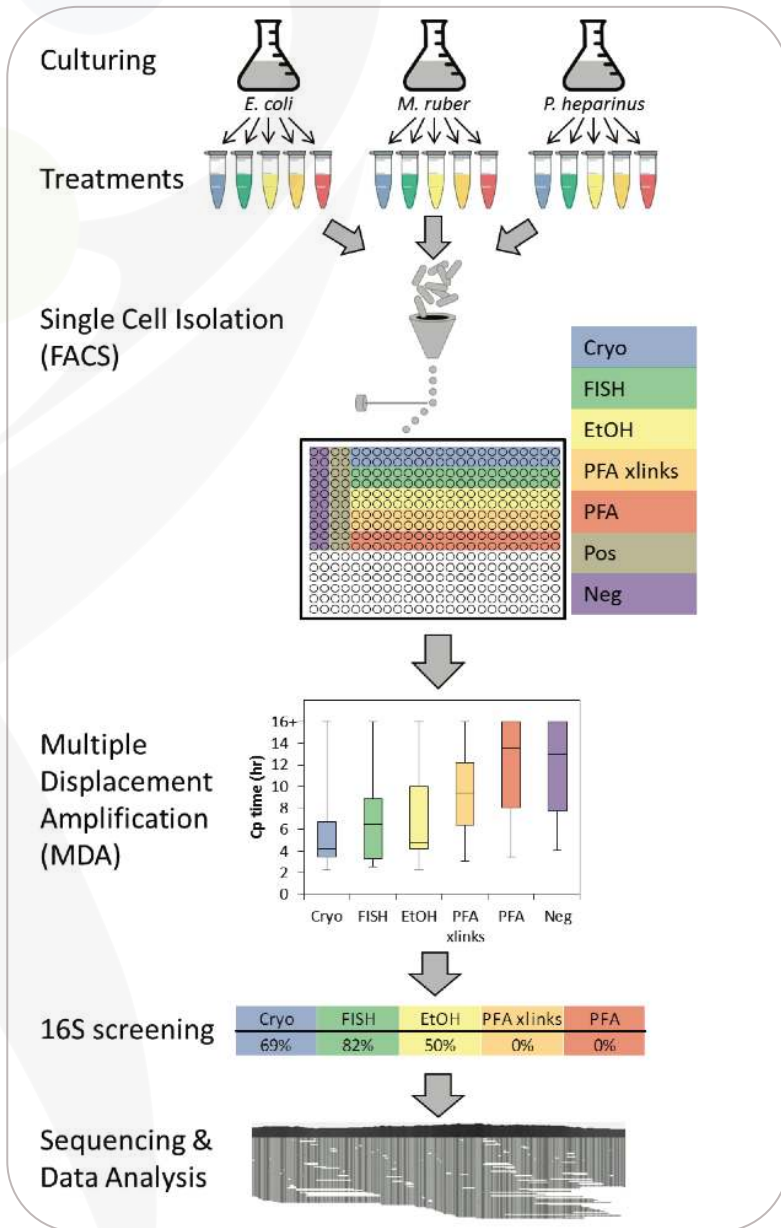
A few words on sample preservation & preparation



glycerol, betaine, DMSO, ..
(https://scgc.bigelow.org/PDFs/Sample_cryopreservation_glyTE.pdf)



Does sample pre-treatment affect genome recovery?



What to do with this single-cell data?

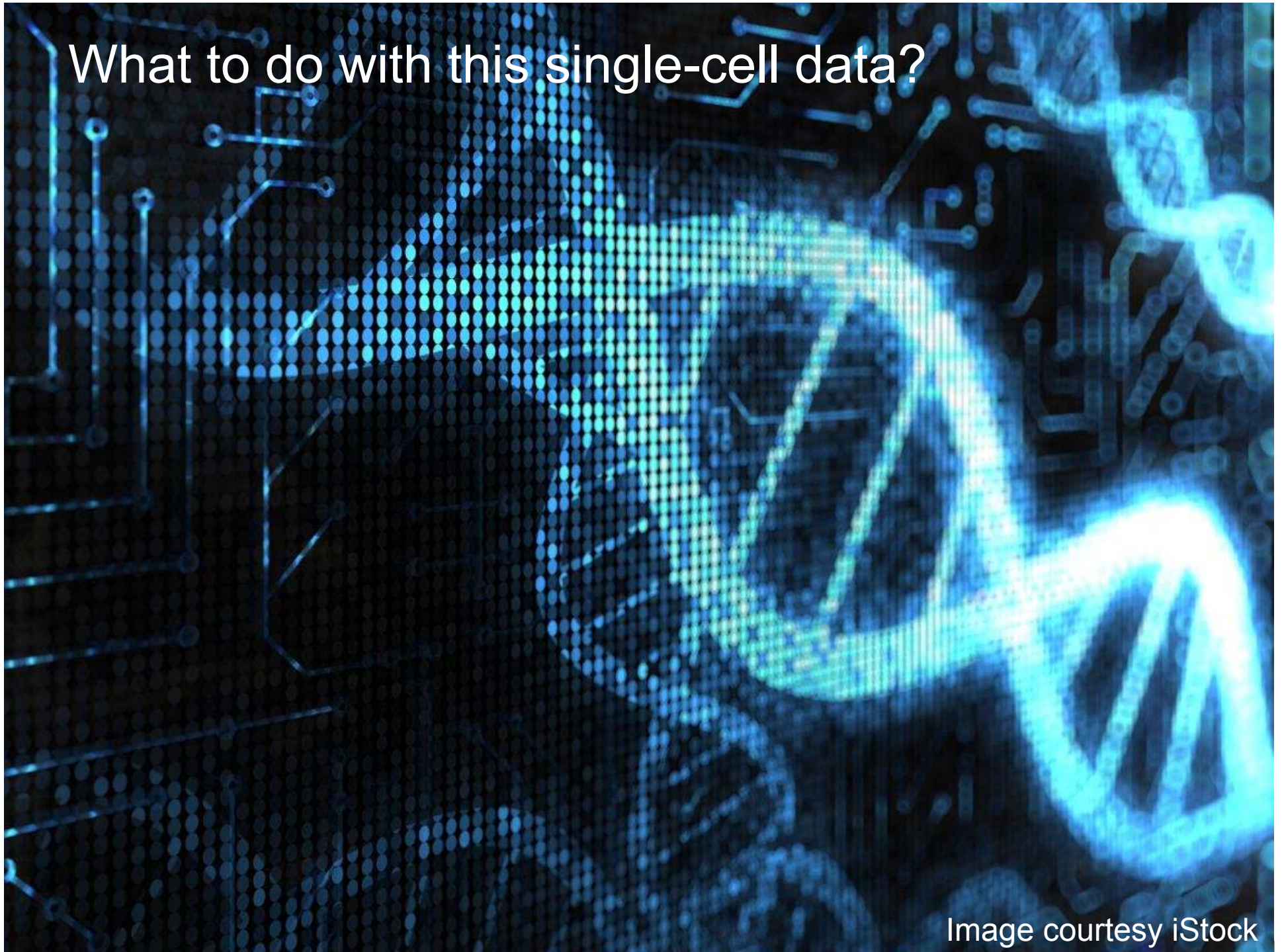
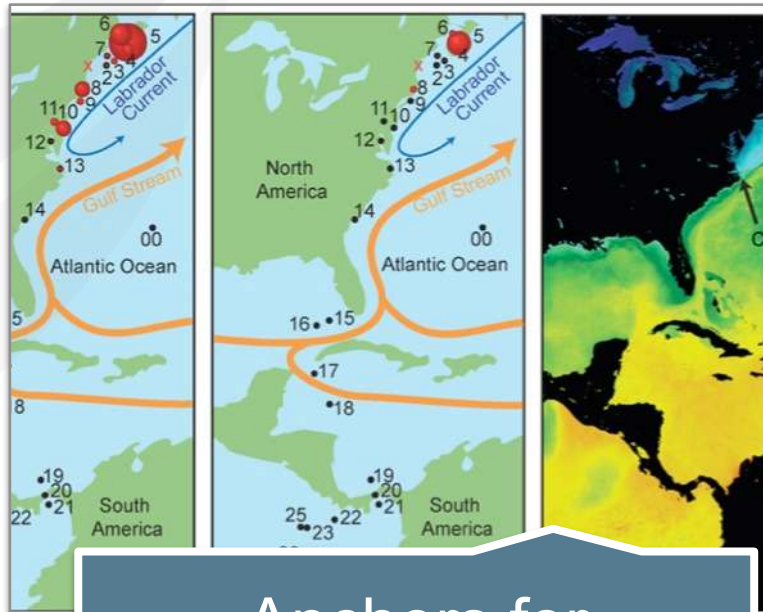
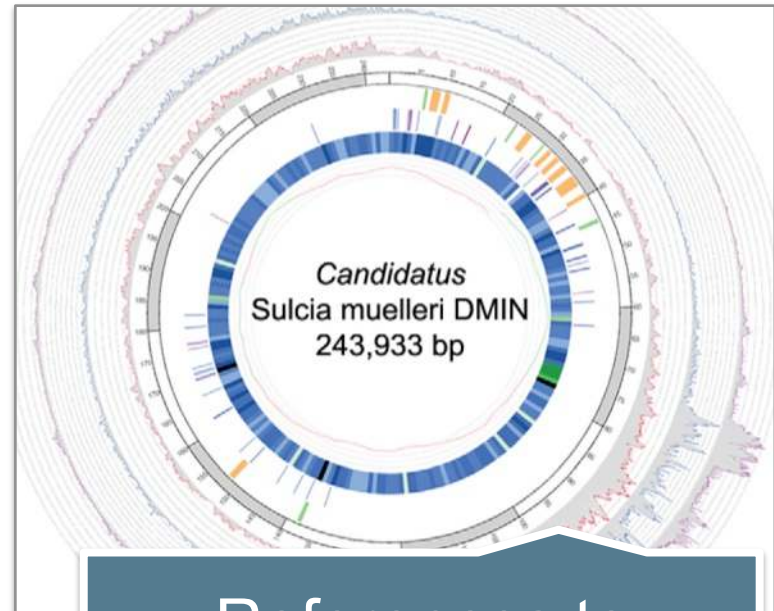


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Utility of single-cell data is nearly endless..

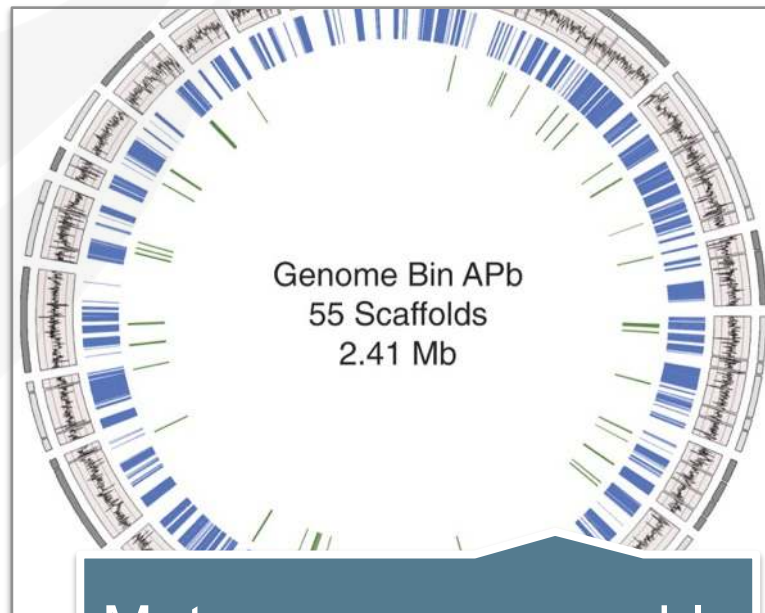


Anchors for
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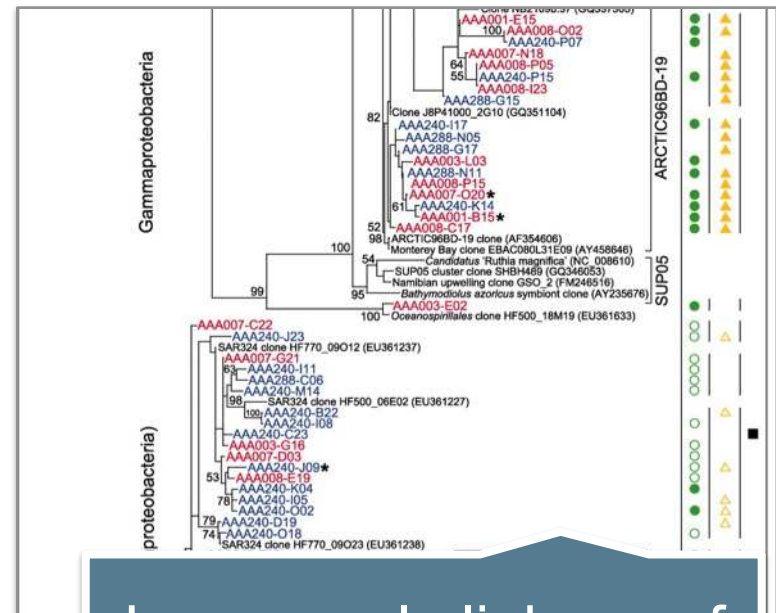


References to
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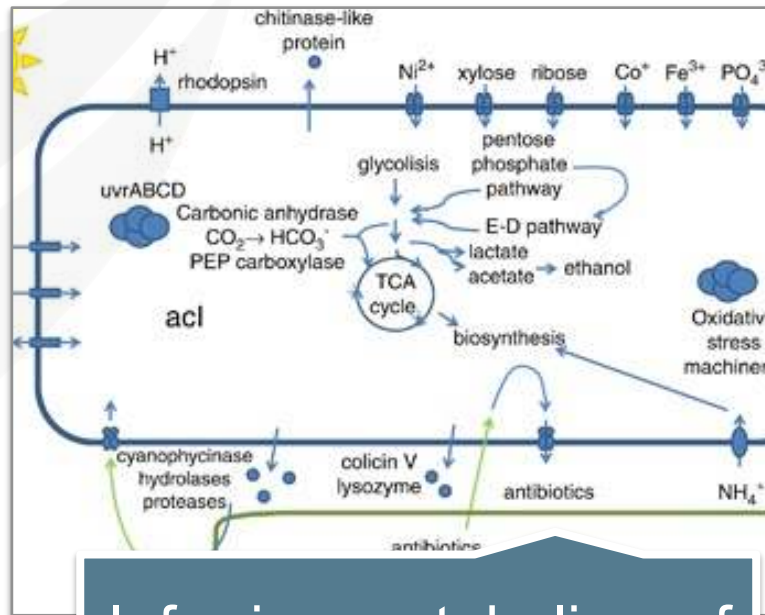


Metagenome assembly
and binning validation

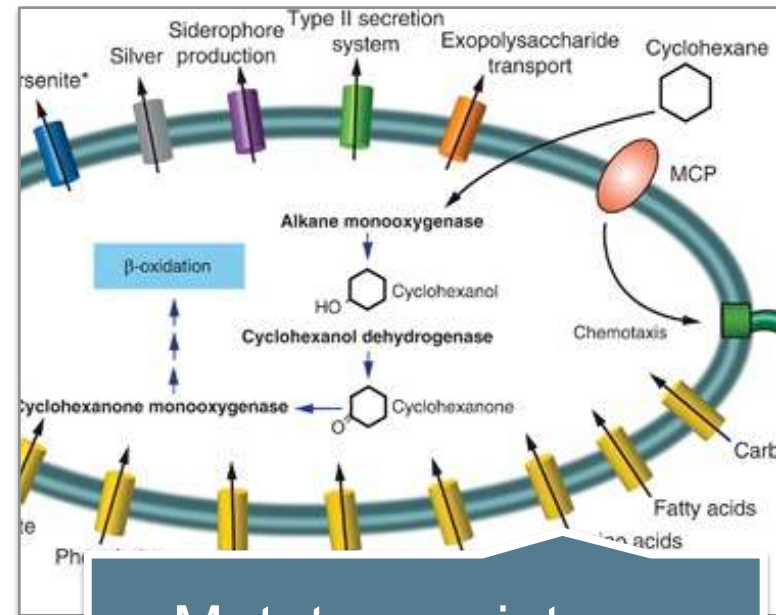


Large-scale linkage of
phylogeny and function

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Inferring metabolism of uncultured microbes

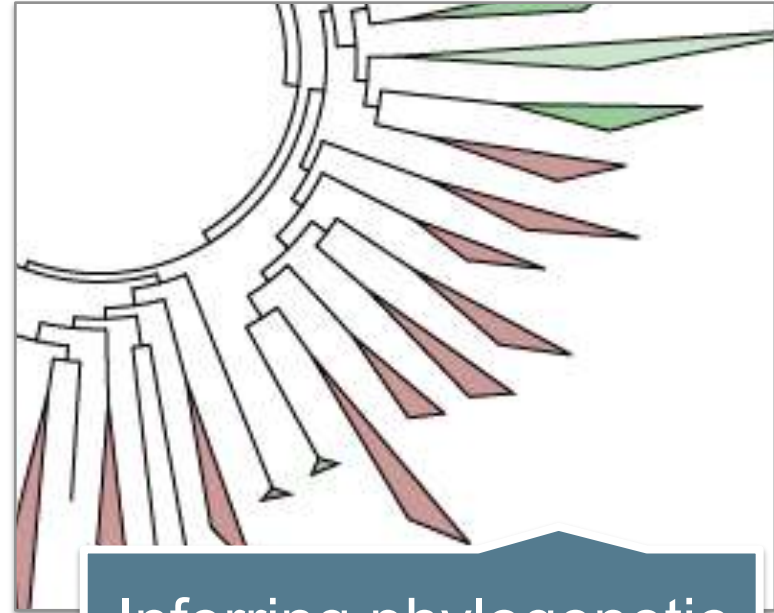


Metatranscriptome data mapping

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Identifying novel
genomic features



Inferring phylogenetic
relationships

- A few words about the JGI

- who we are & what we do

- **Single-cell genomics**

- the why, the how & what to expect from it



- **Single-cell science vignettes**

- from symbionts to microbial dark matter

- **Crystal ball**

- what the future may bring



Marine Flavobacteria



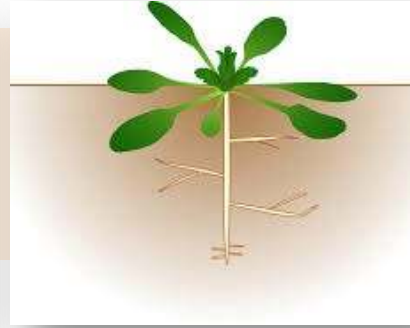
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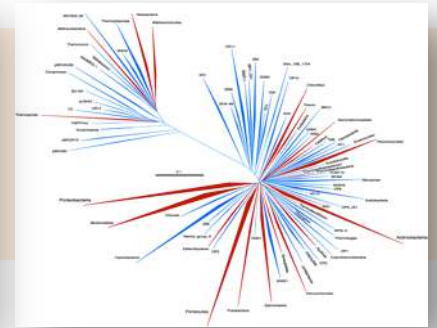
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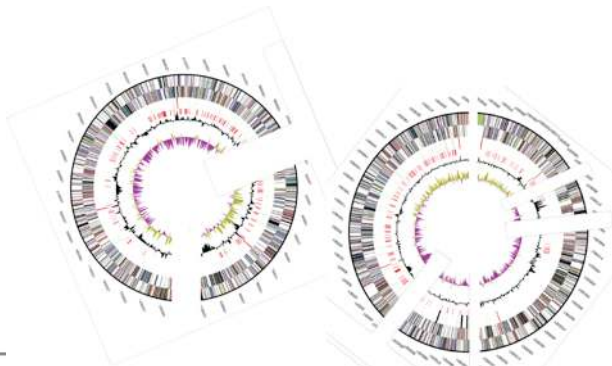
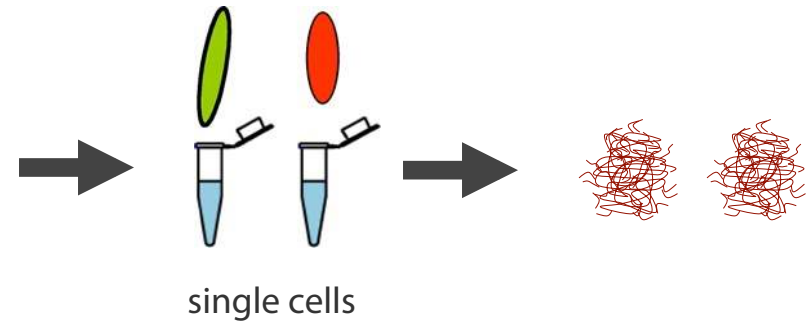
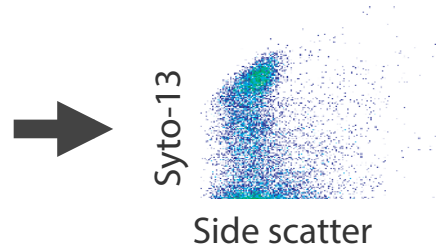
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Two draft single-cell genomes

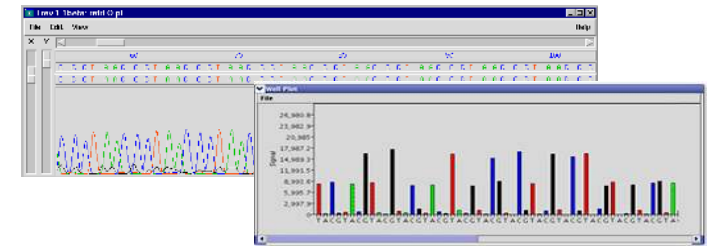
Marine Flavobacteria sp.



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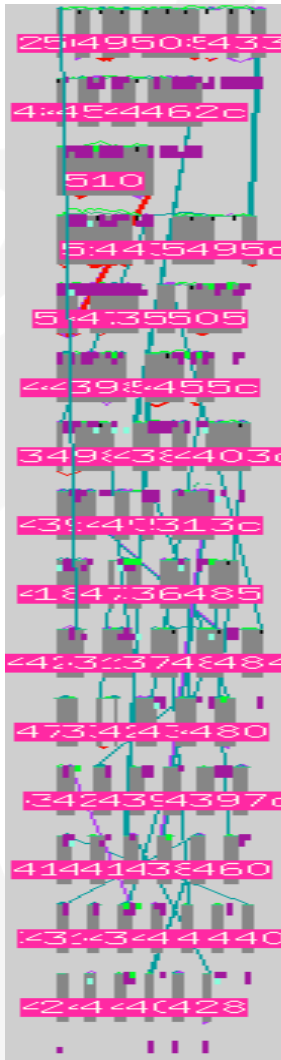


Assembly statistic	MS024-2A	MS024-3C
Assembly size [Mbp]	1.905	1.515
Estimated genome size [Mbp]	2.095	1.947
Estimated genome recovery [%]	91	78
Number of contigs	17	21
Largest contig [kbp]	684	549



shotgun
sequencing

Extensive



25:4950:5433

4:45:4462c

510

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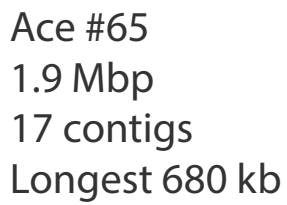
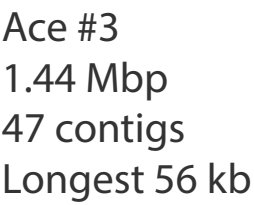
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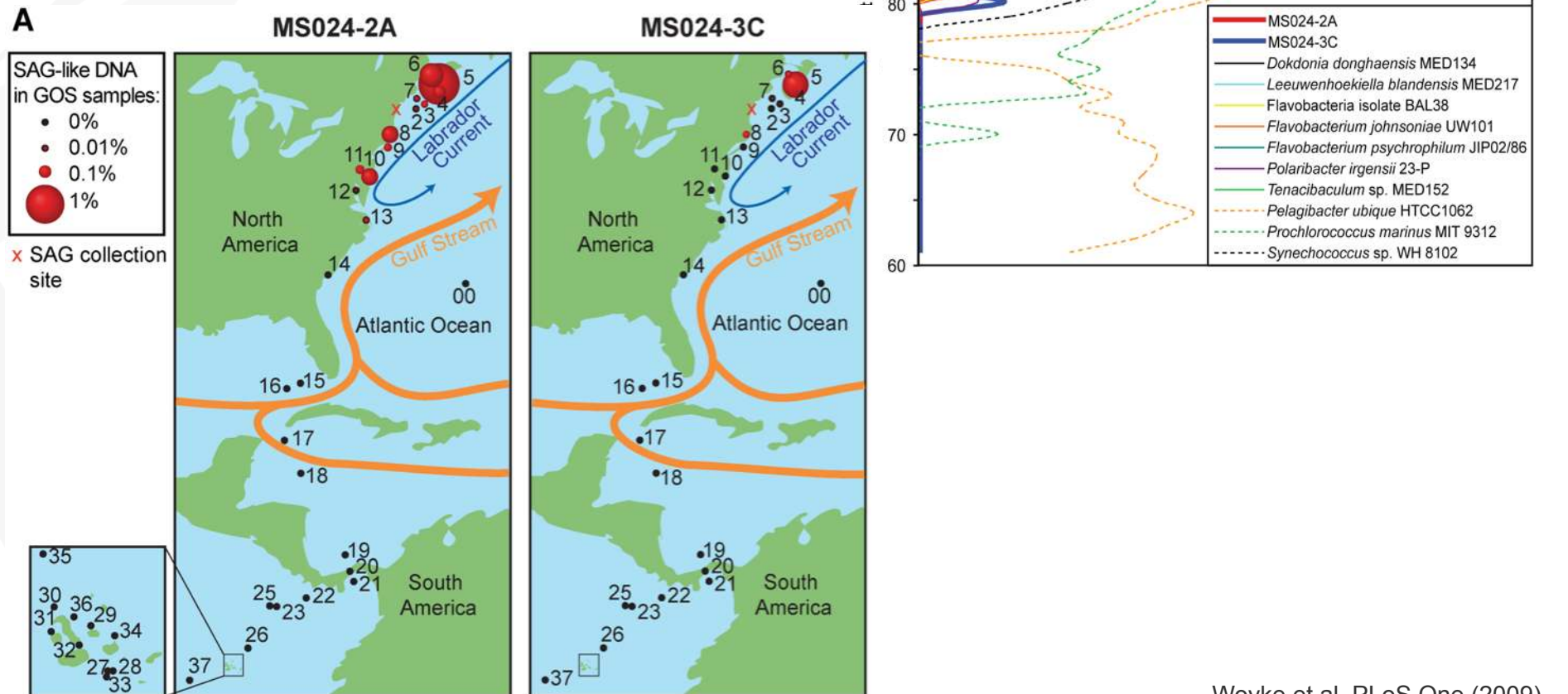
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SAGs are representative of their environment



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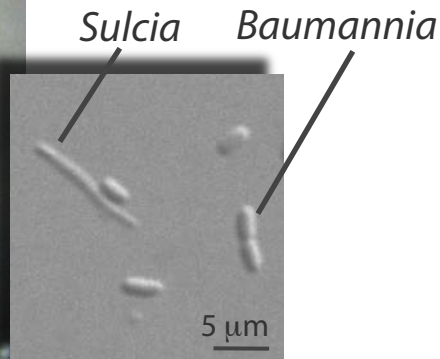
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Green sharpshooter symbionts

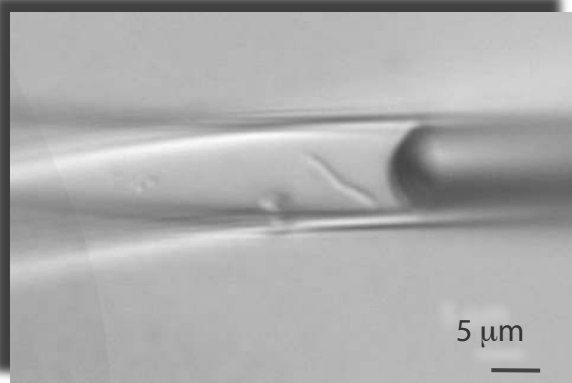


Green sharpshooter (*D. minerva*)

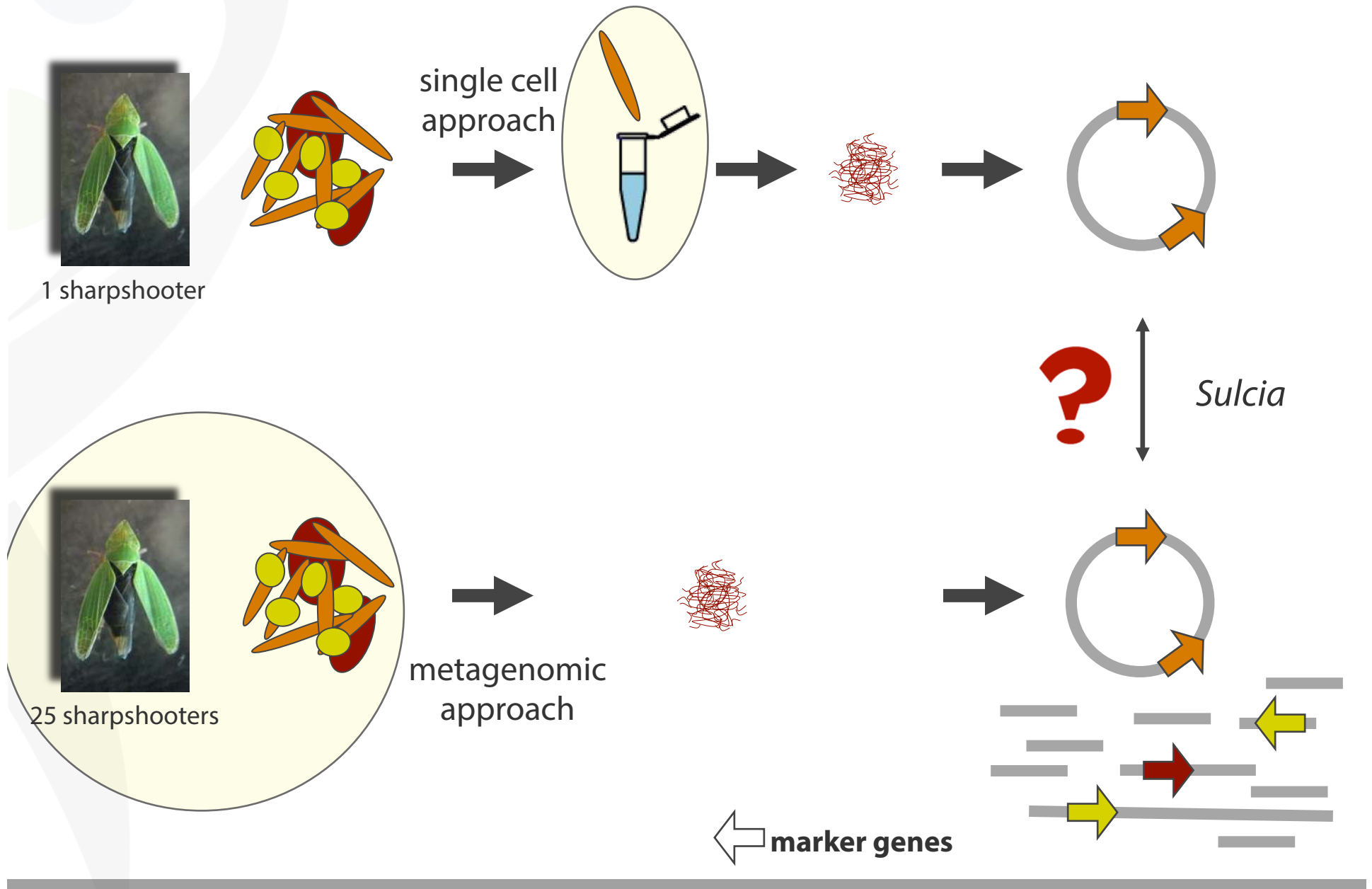
- sap-feeding leafhoppers
- harbors two symbionts
- involved in plant pathogen spread (*Xylella*)
- causes serious plant diseases

Sulcia as ideal candidate for single-cell finishing

- uncultured
- small genome size
- simple single cell isolation
- fresh sample availability
- polyploid



Single cell & metagenome approach



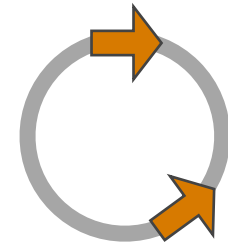
Are the genomes identical?



1 sharpshooter



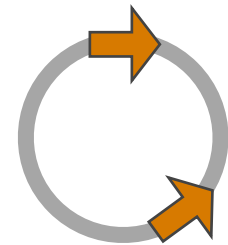
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25 sharpshooters



metagenomic
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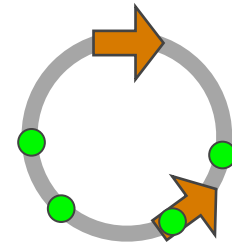
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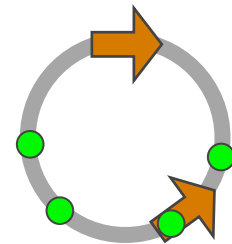
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- CTTG[ctactta]_nATAA



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One complete single-cell genome

Sequence data

(Sanger/454)



Assembly



31 contigs



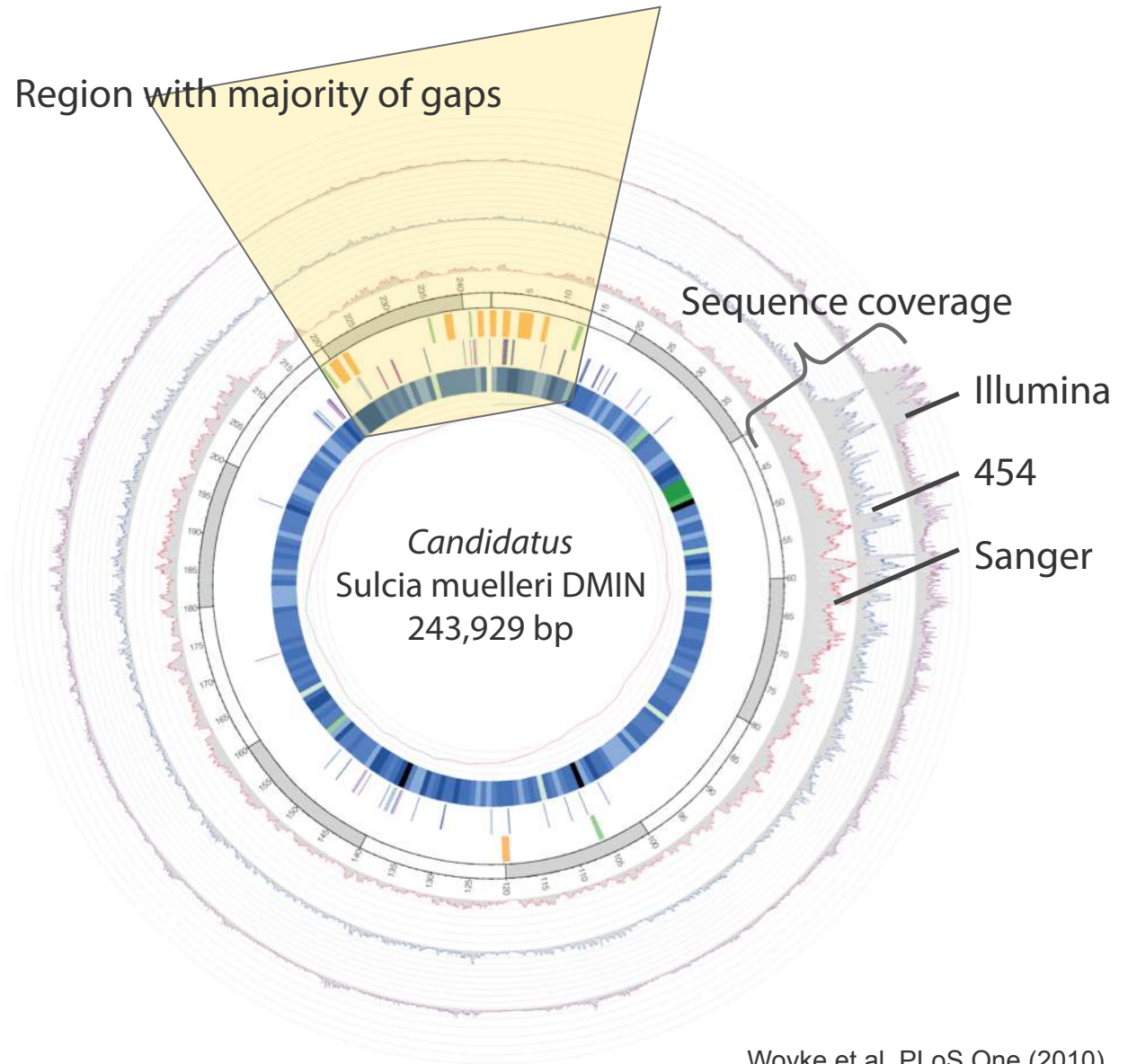
Gap closure / polishing

(Sanger/ Illumina)

Genome Properties

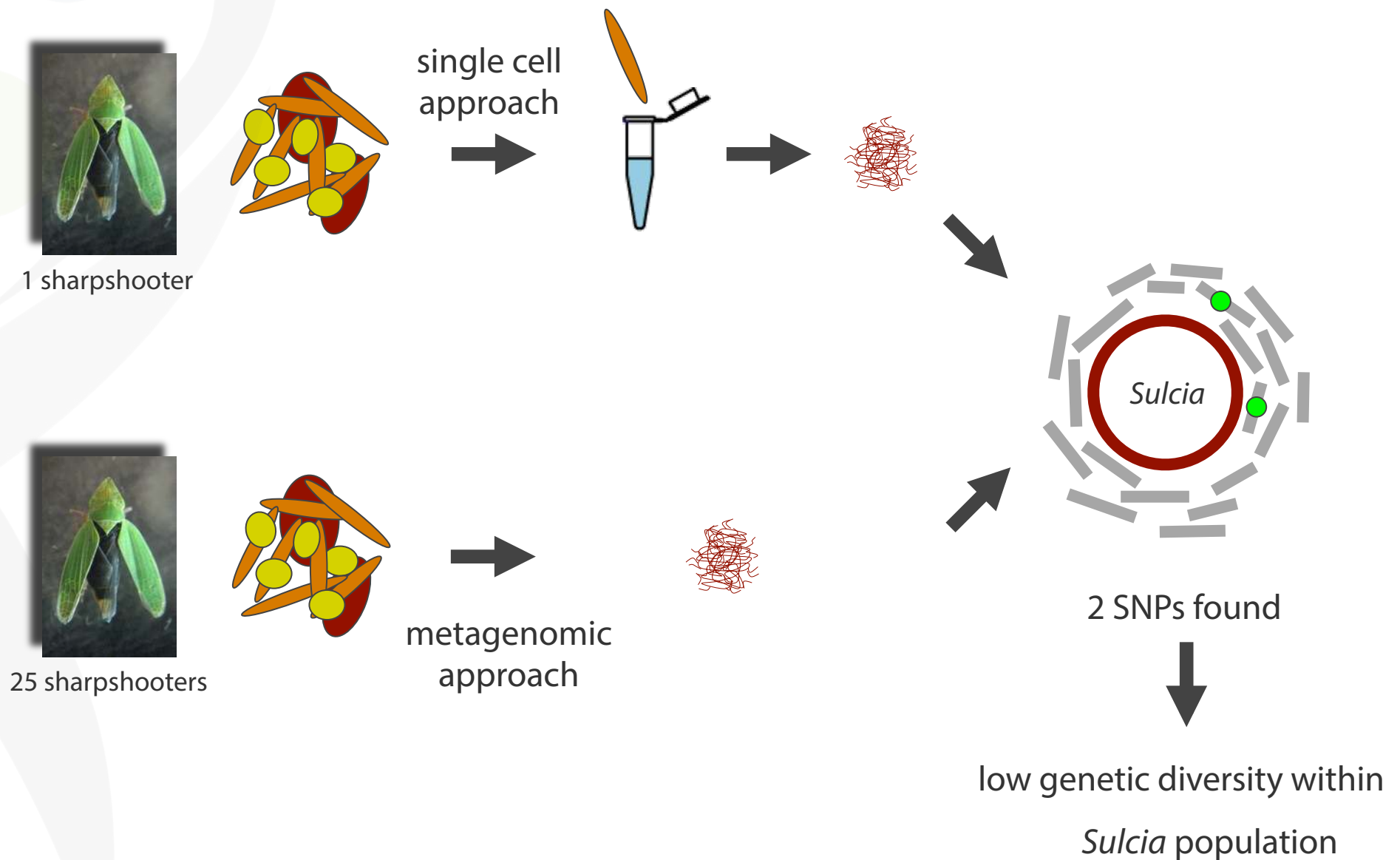
Genome Size [bp]	243,929
DNA coding bases [bp]	236,976
GC contents [%]	22
Total genes	261

Region with majority of gaps



Woyke et al, PLoS One (2010)

Evaluation of population variation



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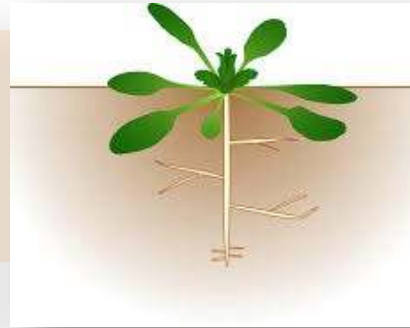
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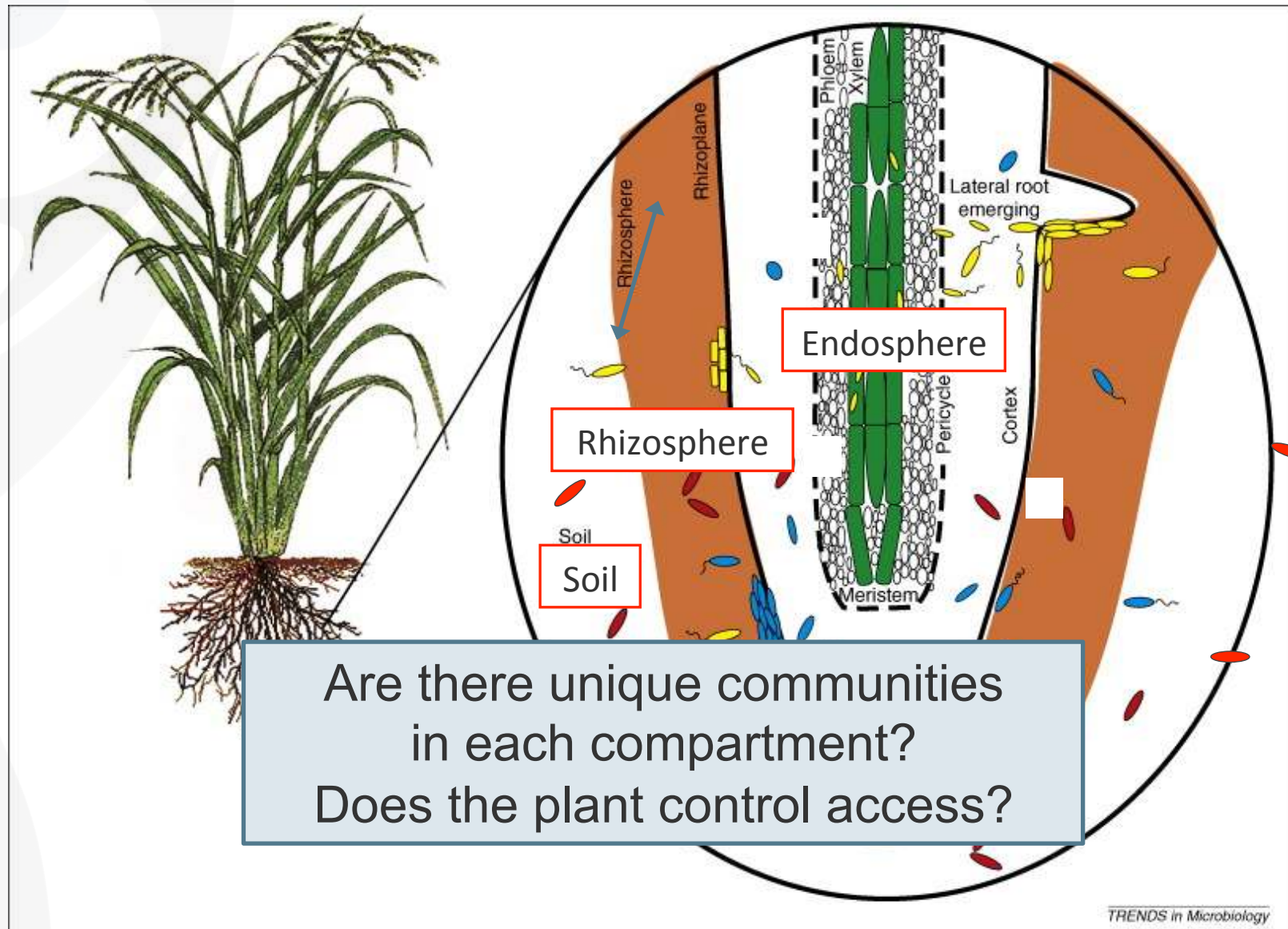
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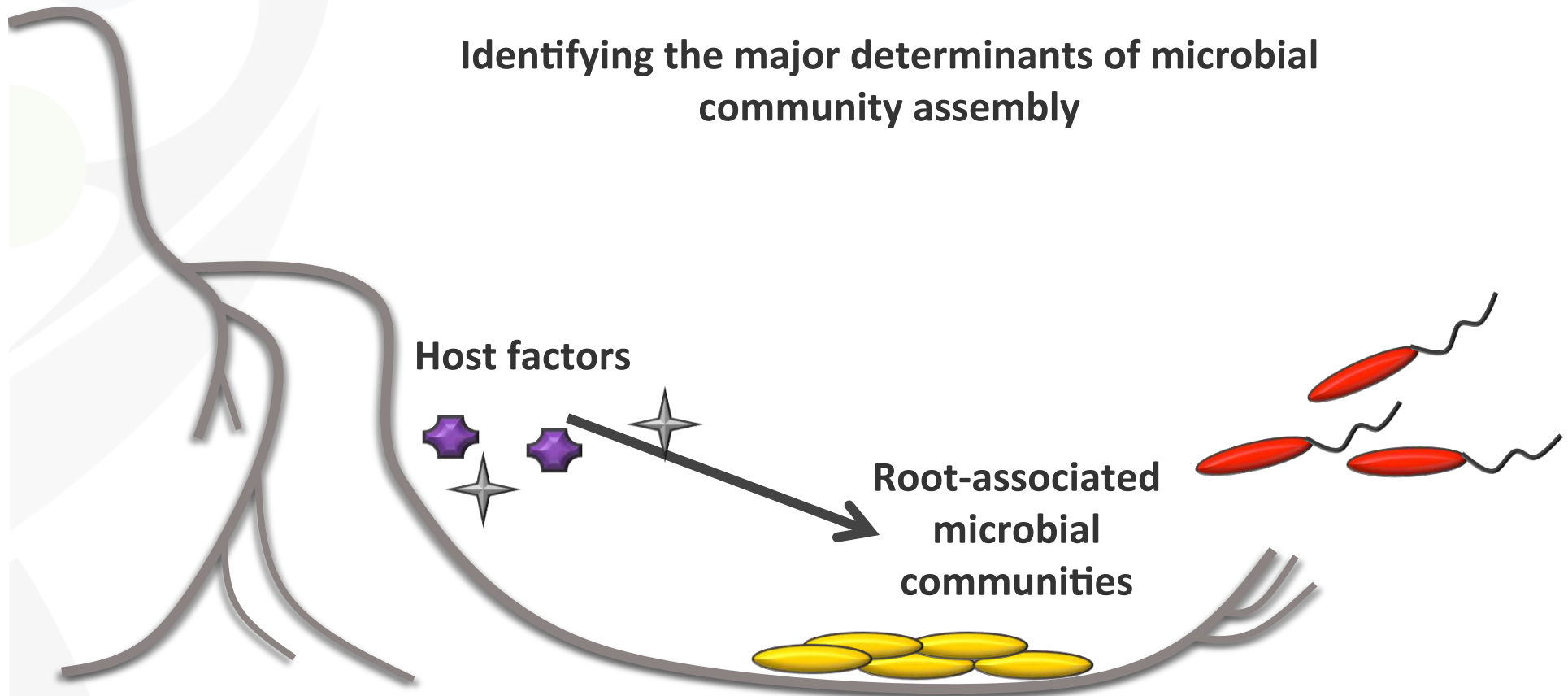
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Arabidopsis microbiome project



Arabidopsis microbiome project

Identifying the major determinants of microbial community assembly



Variables investigating:

Soil type – Mason Farm vs. Clayton

Sample fraction – Bulk soil vs. rhizosphere vs. endophyte

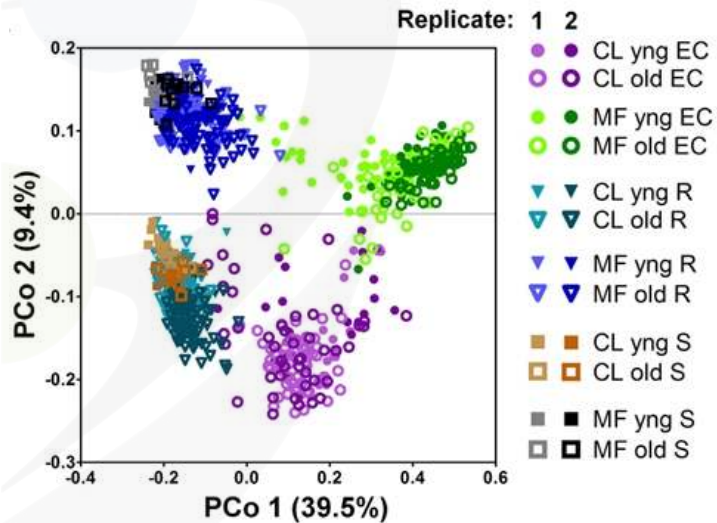
Plant age – bolting (young) vs. senescent (old)

Genotype – 8 ecotypes

Individual – Aim for 10 individuals per condition

Full factorial design
1117 samples
16S pyrotag profiles

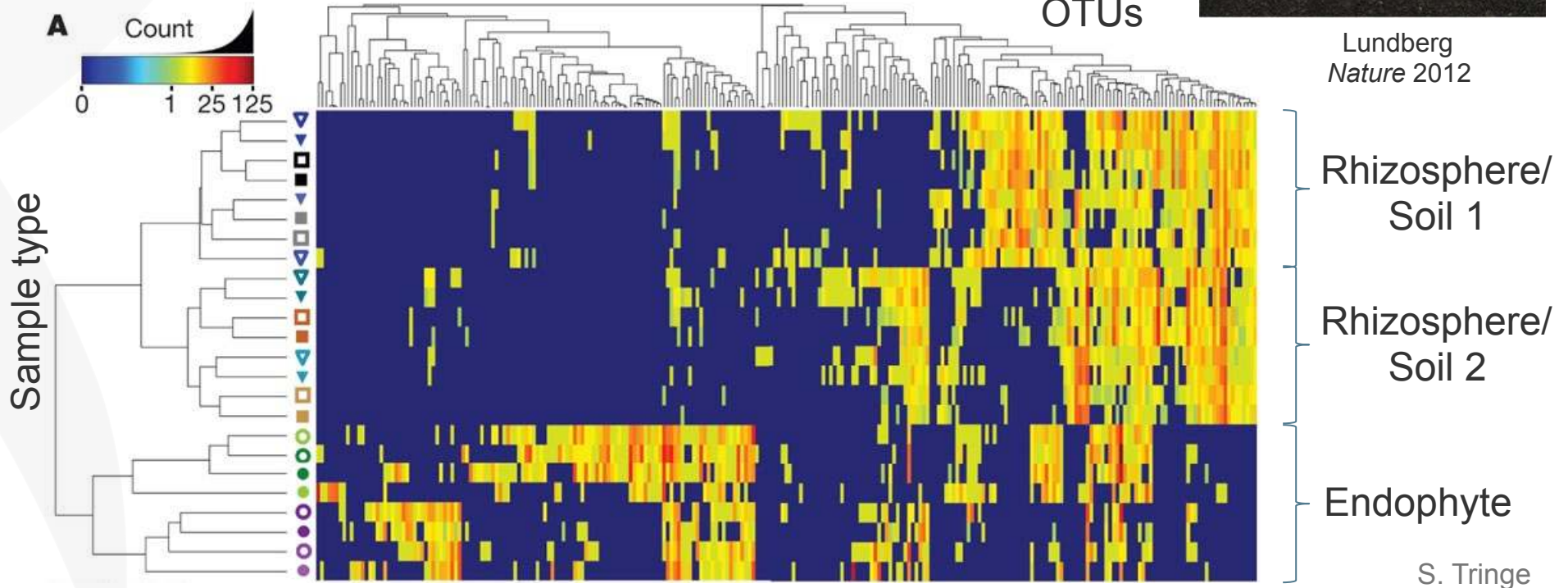
The Arabidopsis microbiome



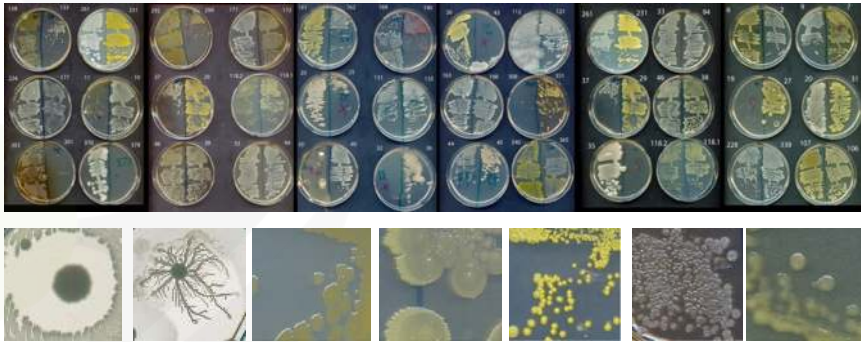
The endophyte community is unique and reproducible and similar across soil types



Lundberg
Nature 2012

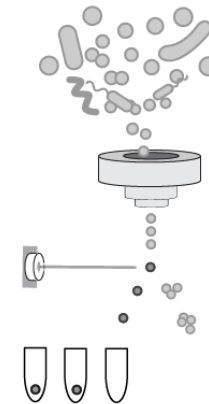
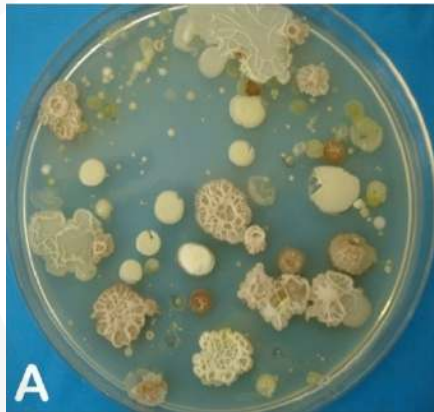


Isolates, single cells & enriched metagenomes



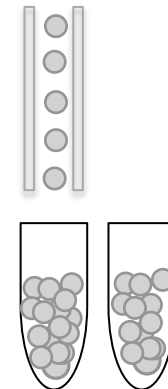
Cultured isolates

“Plate scrape” metagenomes



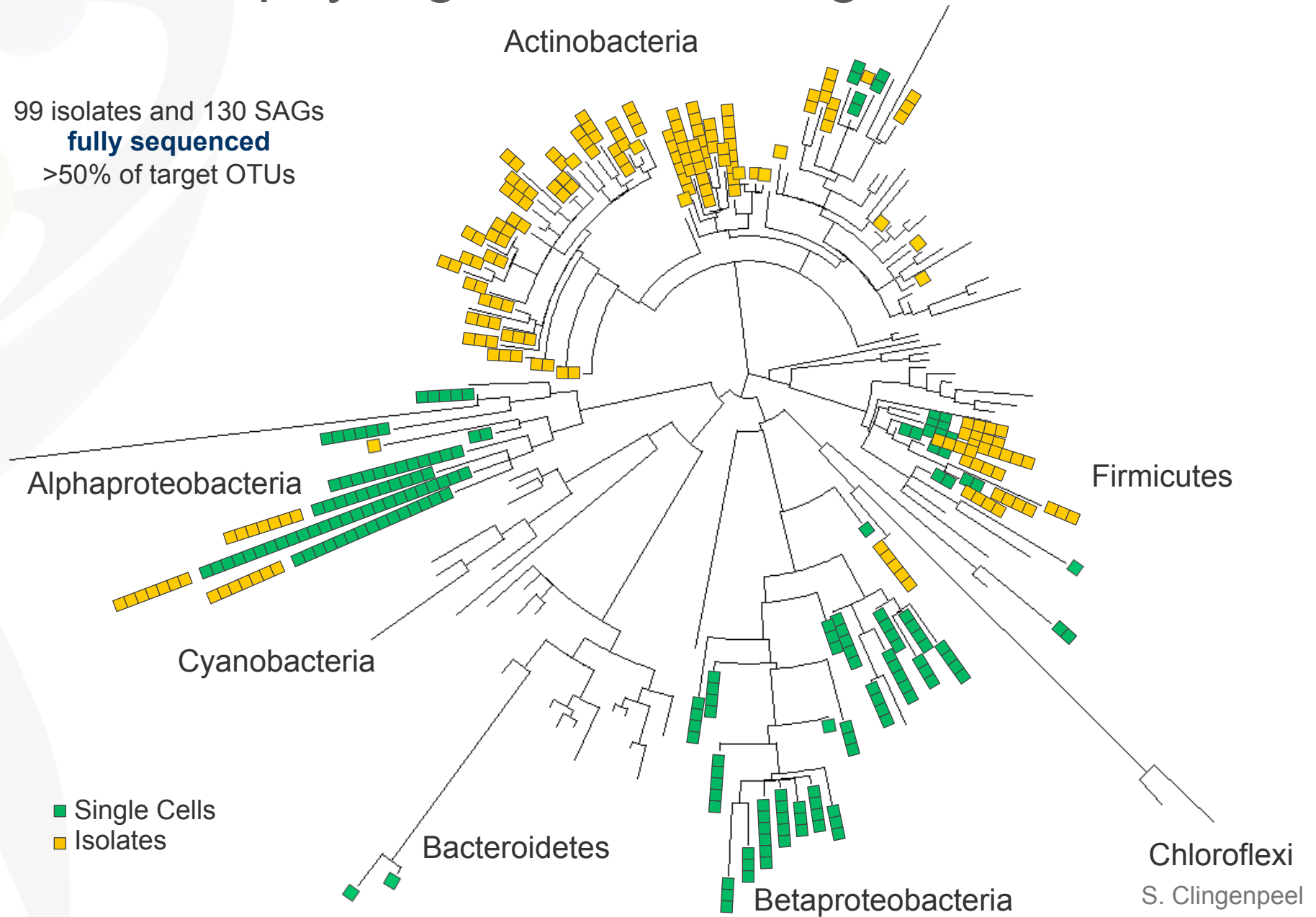
Single cells

Flow-sorted
“mini-metagenomes”



An endophyte genome catalog

99 isolates and 130 SAGs
fully sequenced
>50% of target OTUs



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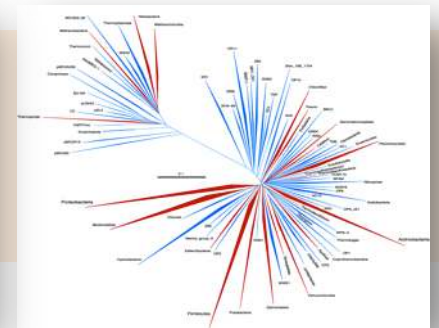
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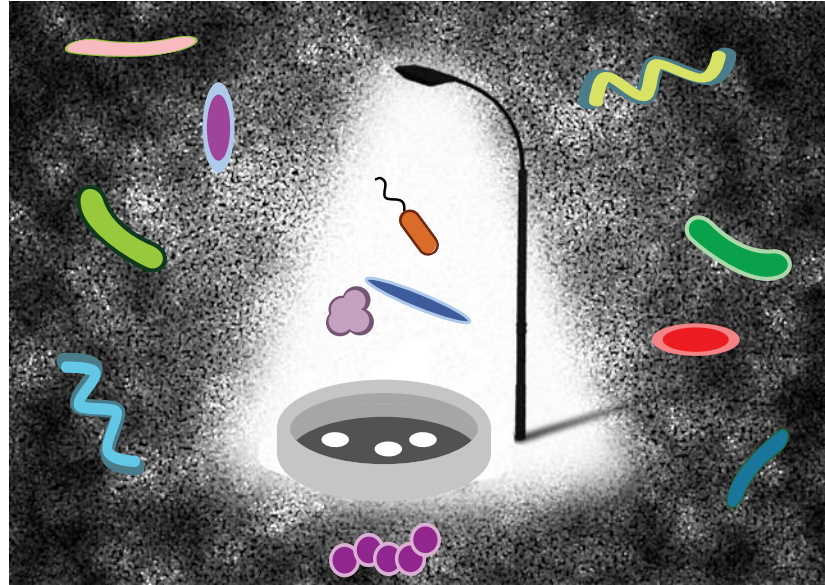
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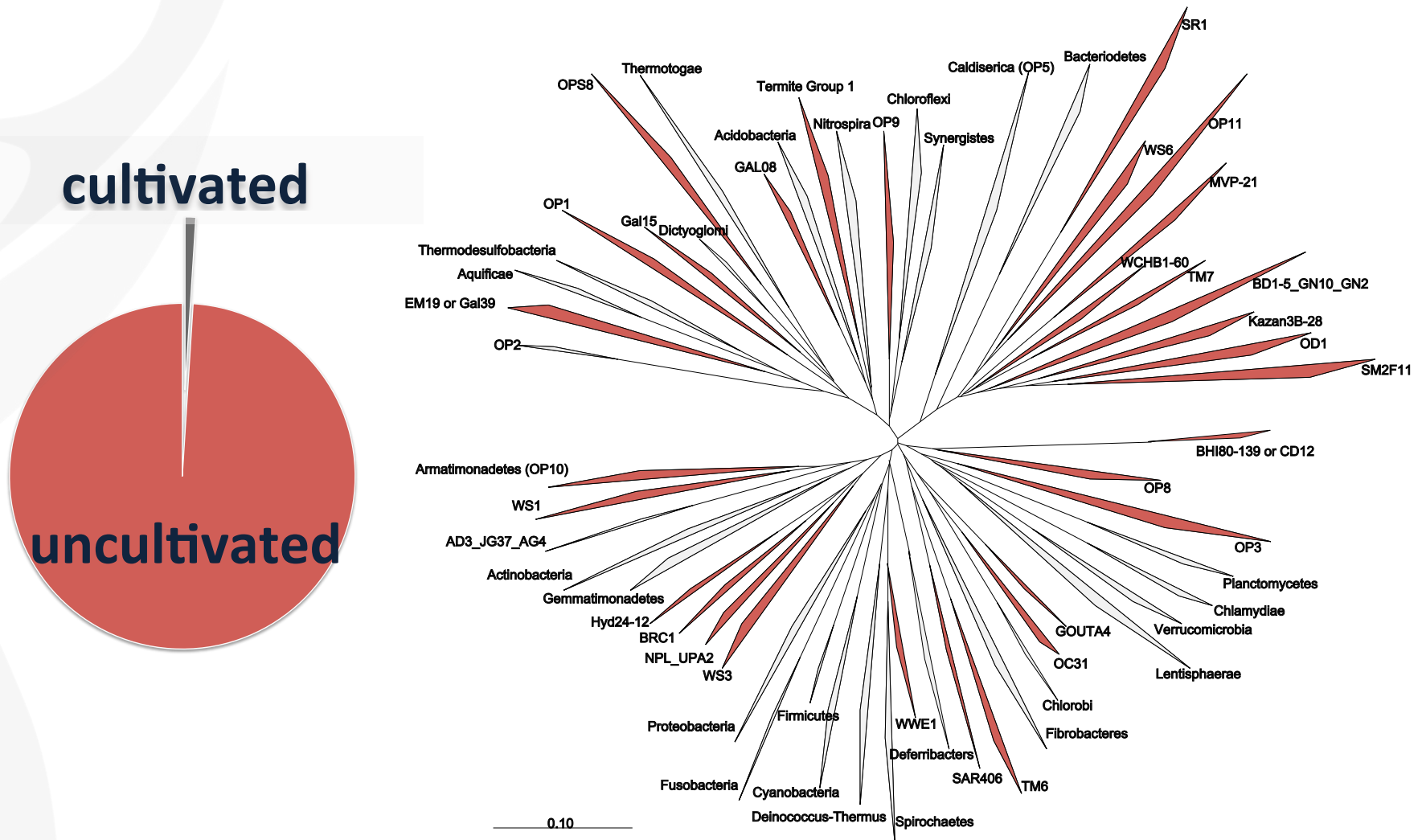
Expansion of phylogenetic diversity



Using single-cell genomics to look outside the lamp post



Expansion of phylogenetic diversity





Phillip Hugenholz



Nikos Kyripides



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Jonathan Eisen



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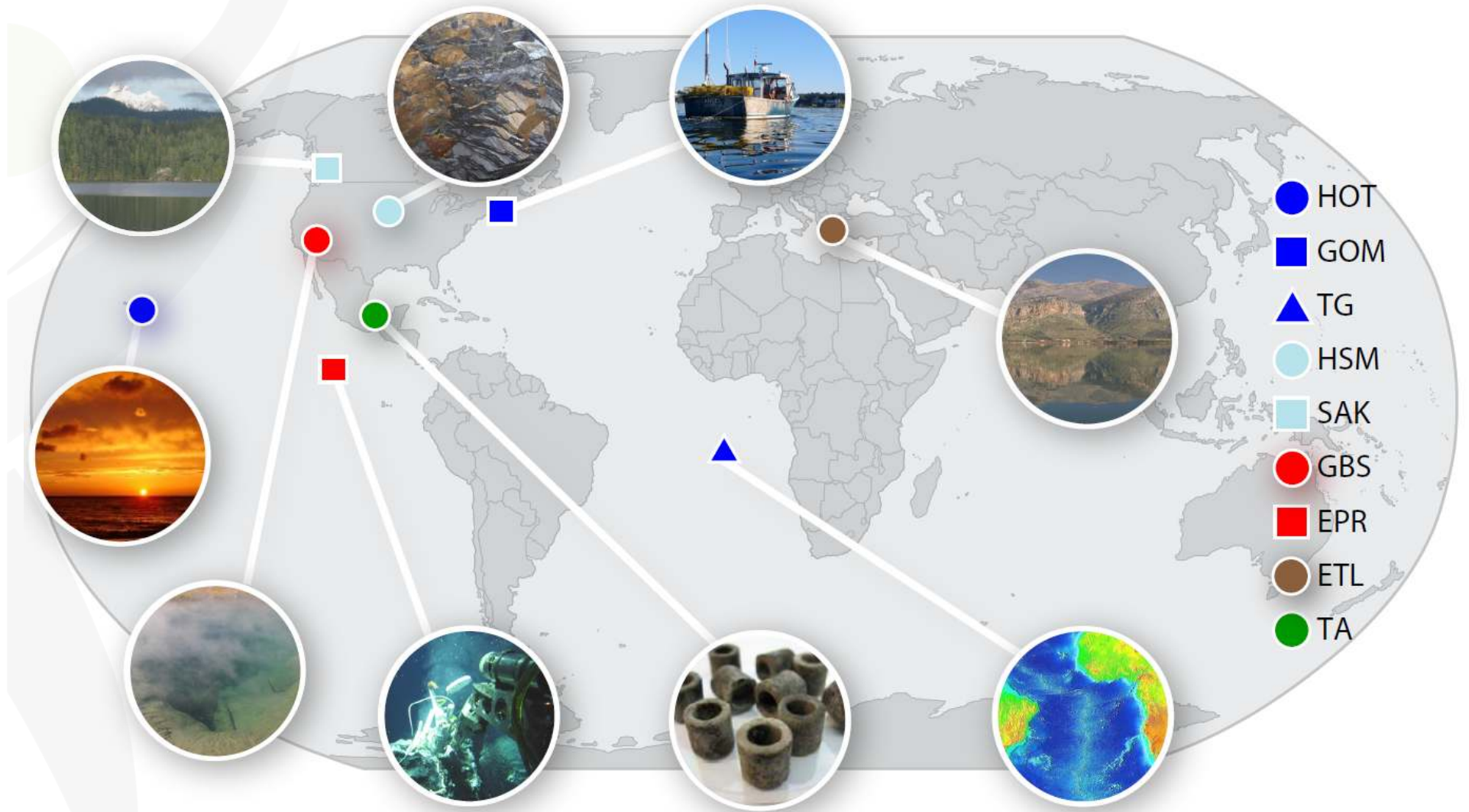


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Samples from 9 sites were selected

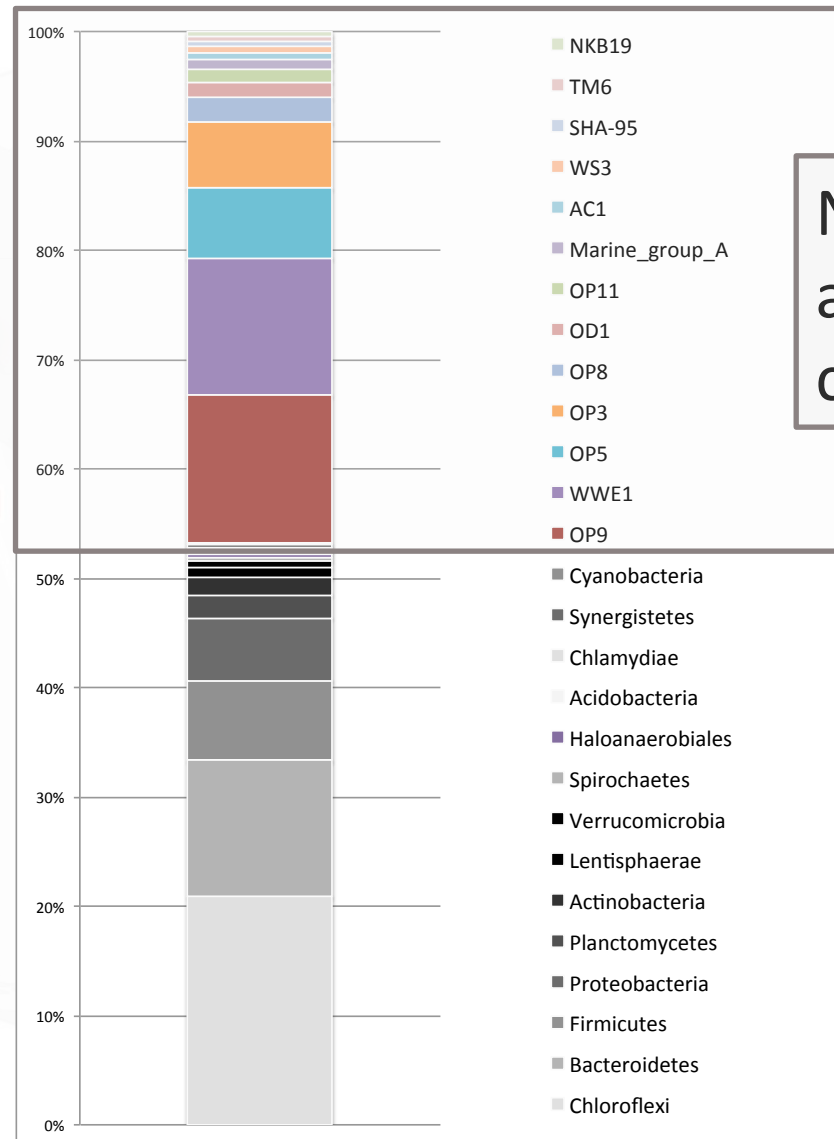


Some sites of high underexplored diversity

16S pyrotag data



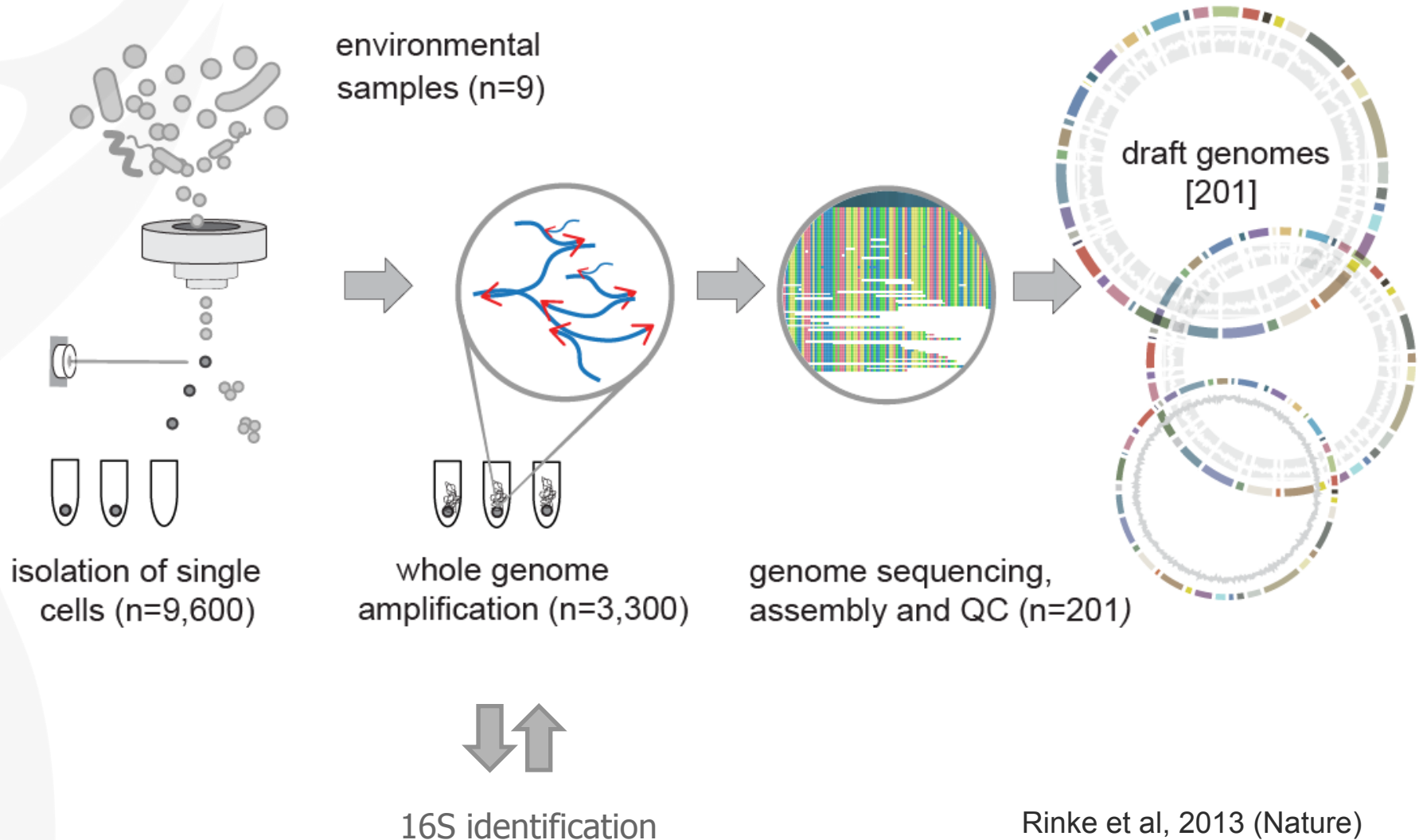
Sakinaw Lake



Nearly 50% of tags assigned to candidate phyla

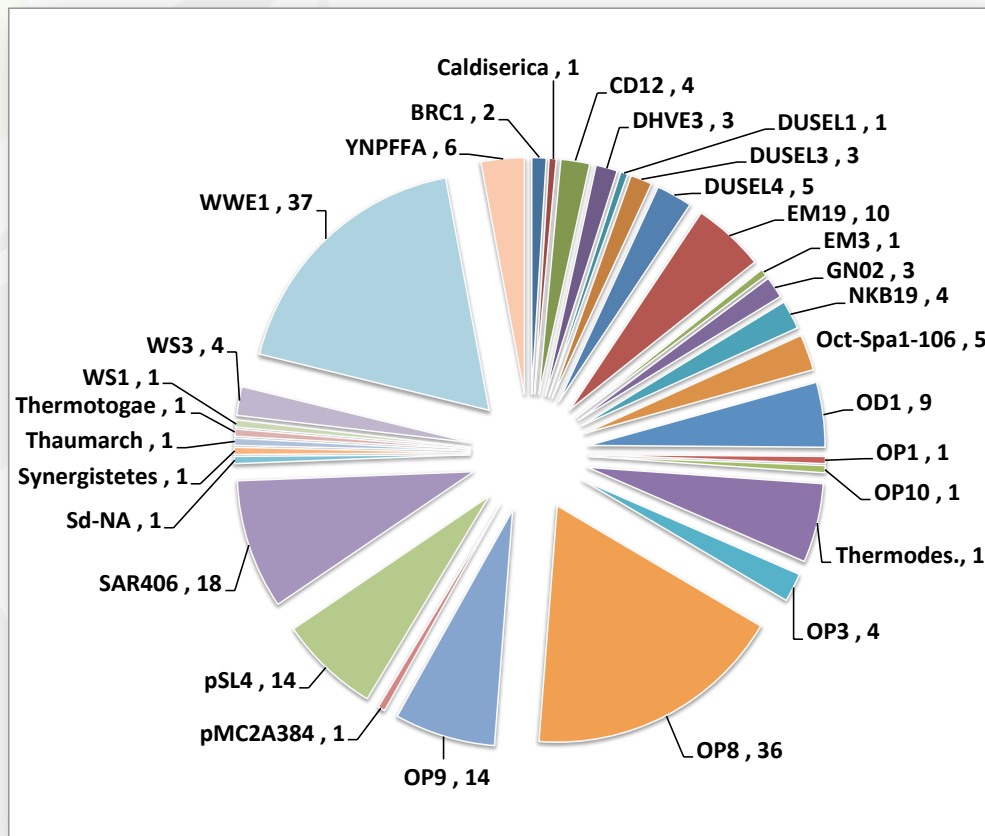
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SAK
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EPR
ETL
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From nearly 10,000 cells to 200 draft genomes

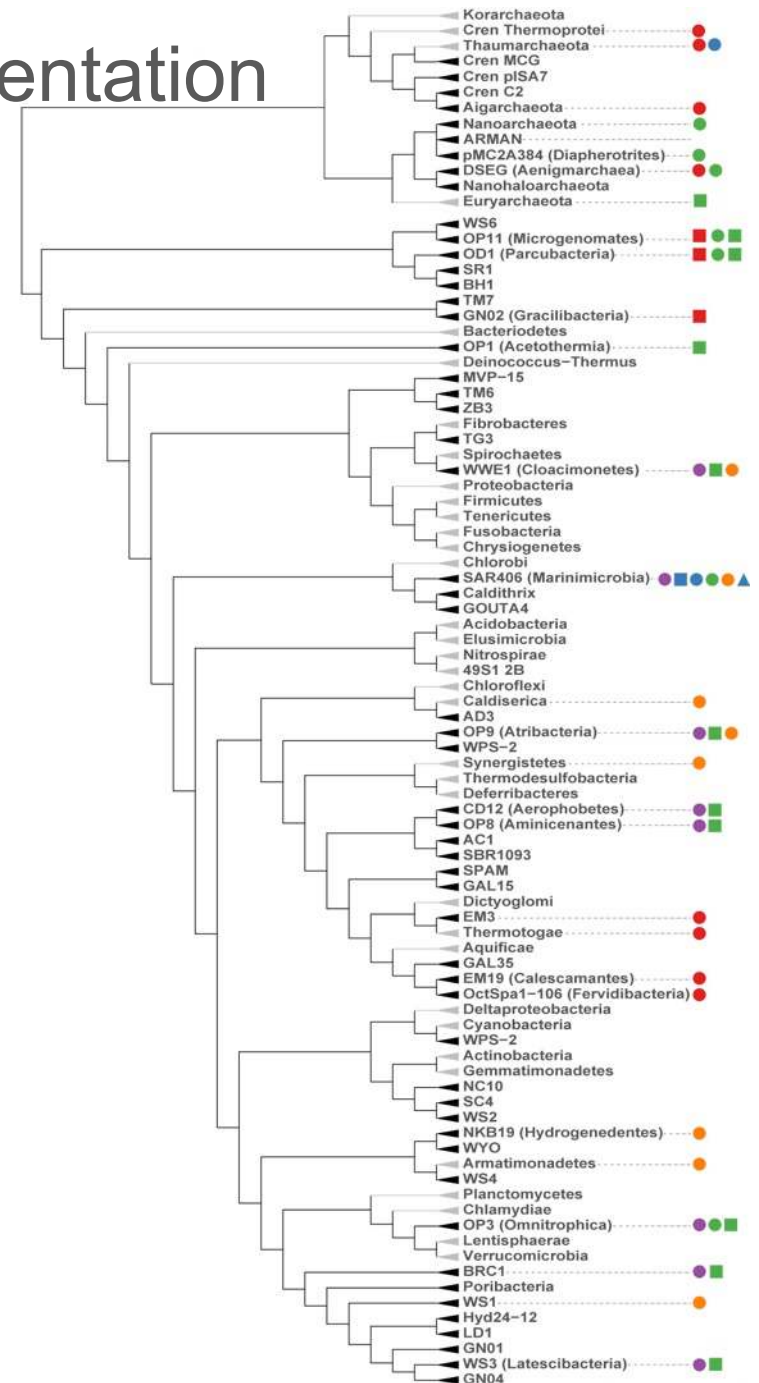


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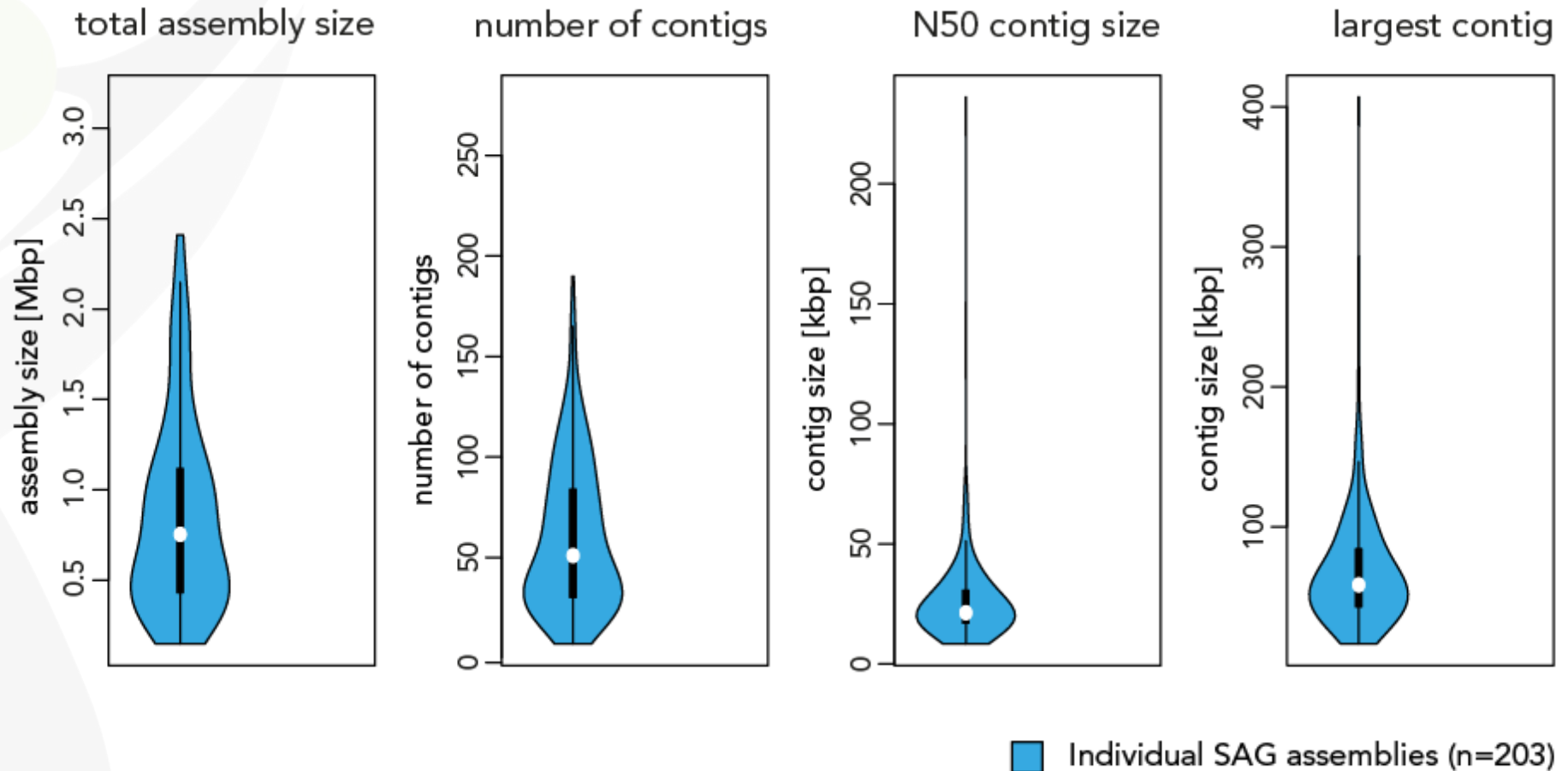
A good candidate phyla representation



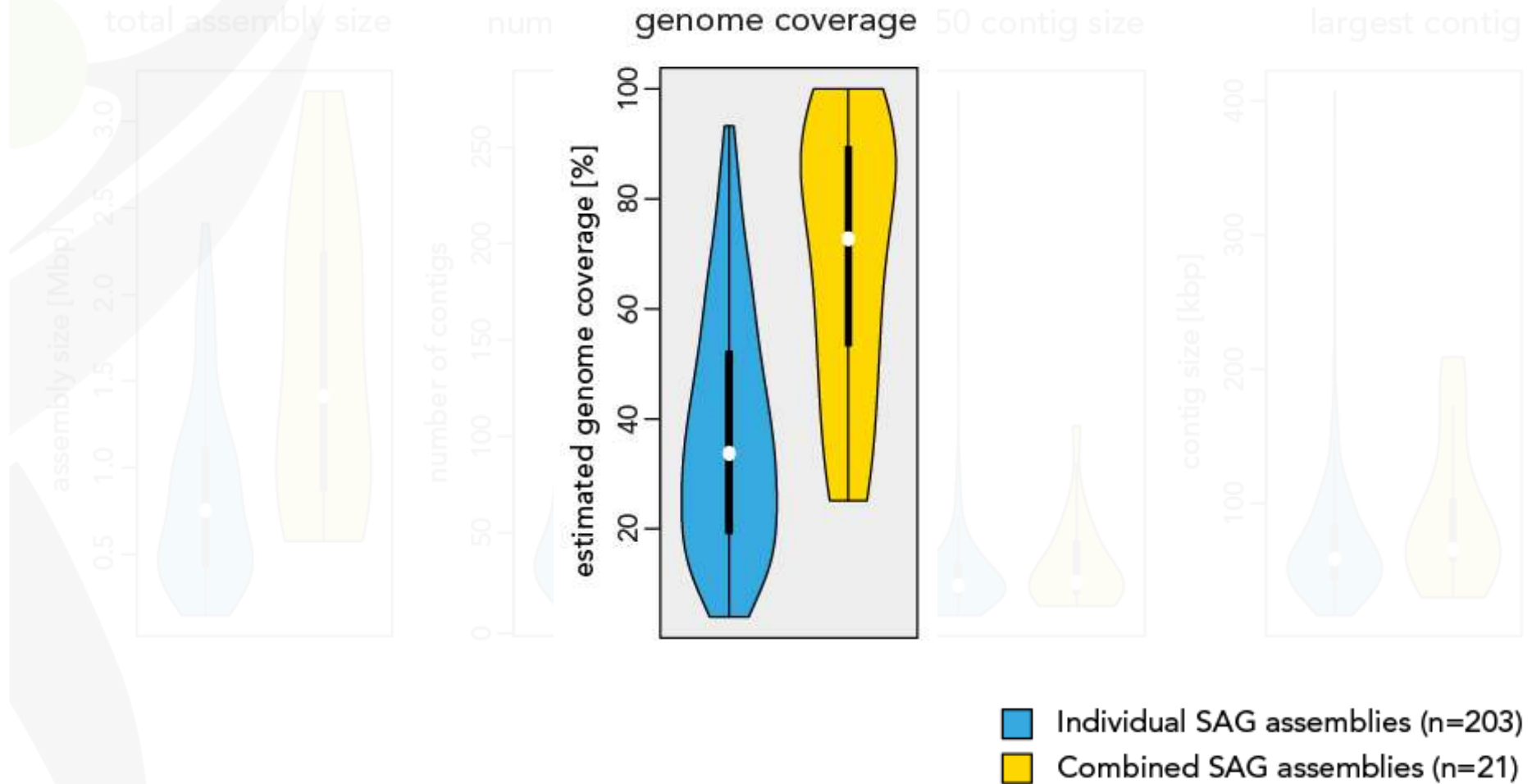
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Assembly statistics of SAGs



Estimated genome recoveries



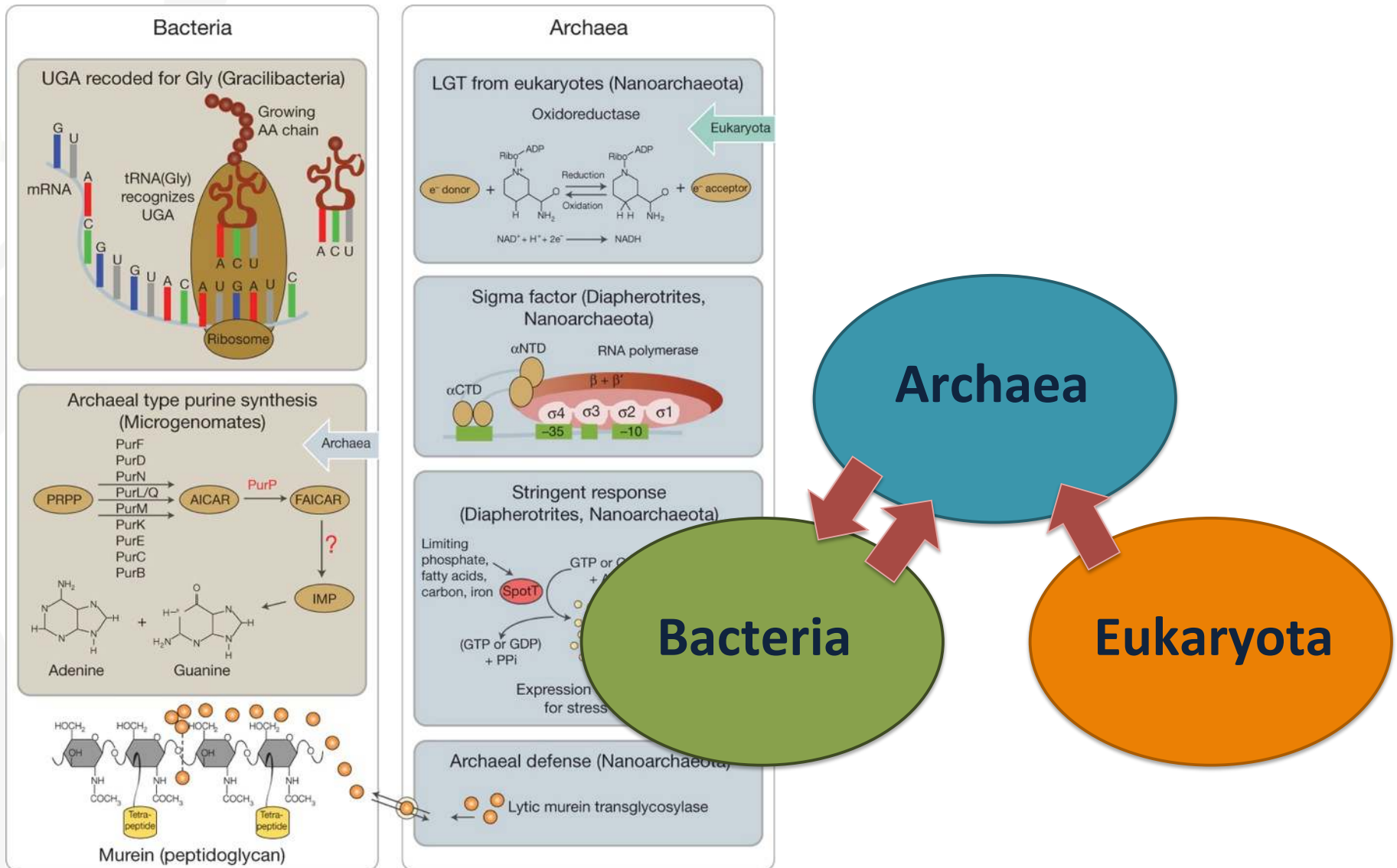
Filling some gaps in the ToL

before

after

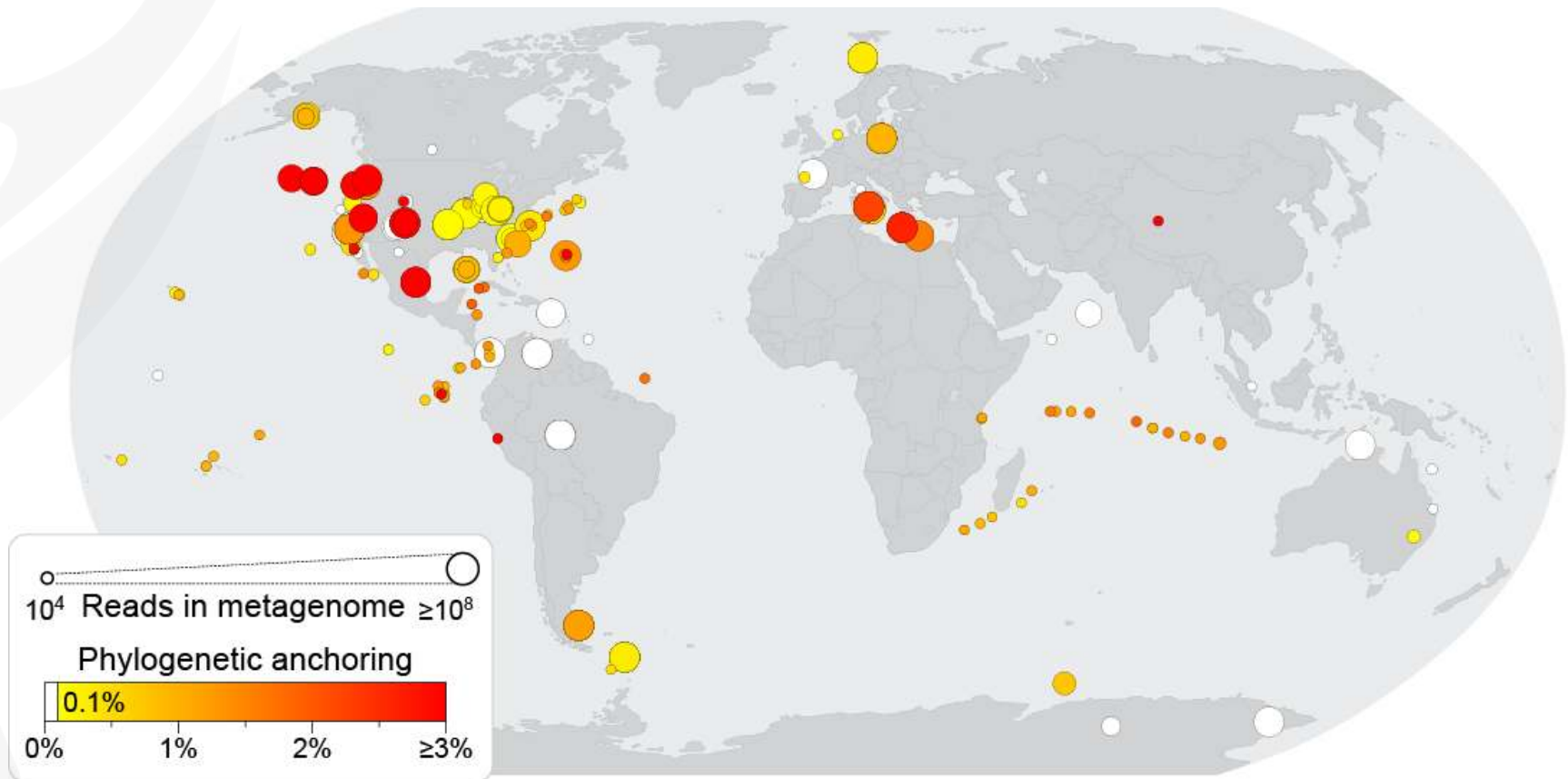
- Provided the first substantive genomic data for candidate bacterial phyla SAR406, OP3, OP8, WS1, WS3, BRC1, CD12, EM19, EM3, NKB19, and Oct-Spa1-106, as well Nanoarchaeota-related groups
- Resolved numerous intra-and interphylum level relationships
- Proposed new bacterial and archaeal super-phyla

Genomic and functional novelty



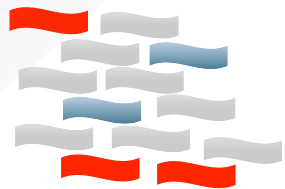
Single cells as phylogenetic anchors

Example: Sakinaw Lake



Single cells assist in metagenome assignments

Sakinaw Lake



metagenome

**With dark matter
single cells**

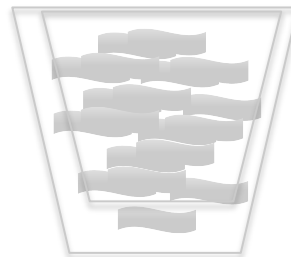
Who can do what?

■ assigned



12%

■ unassigned

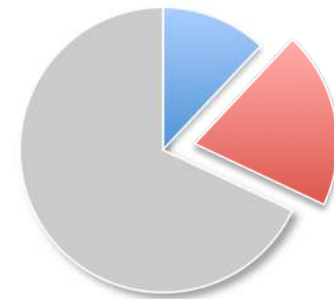


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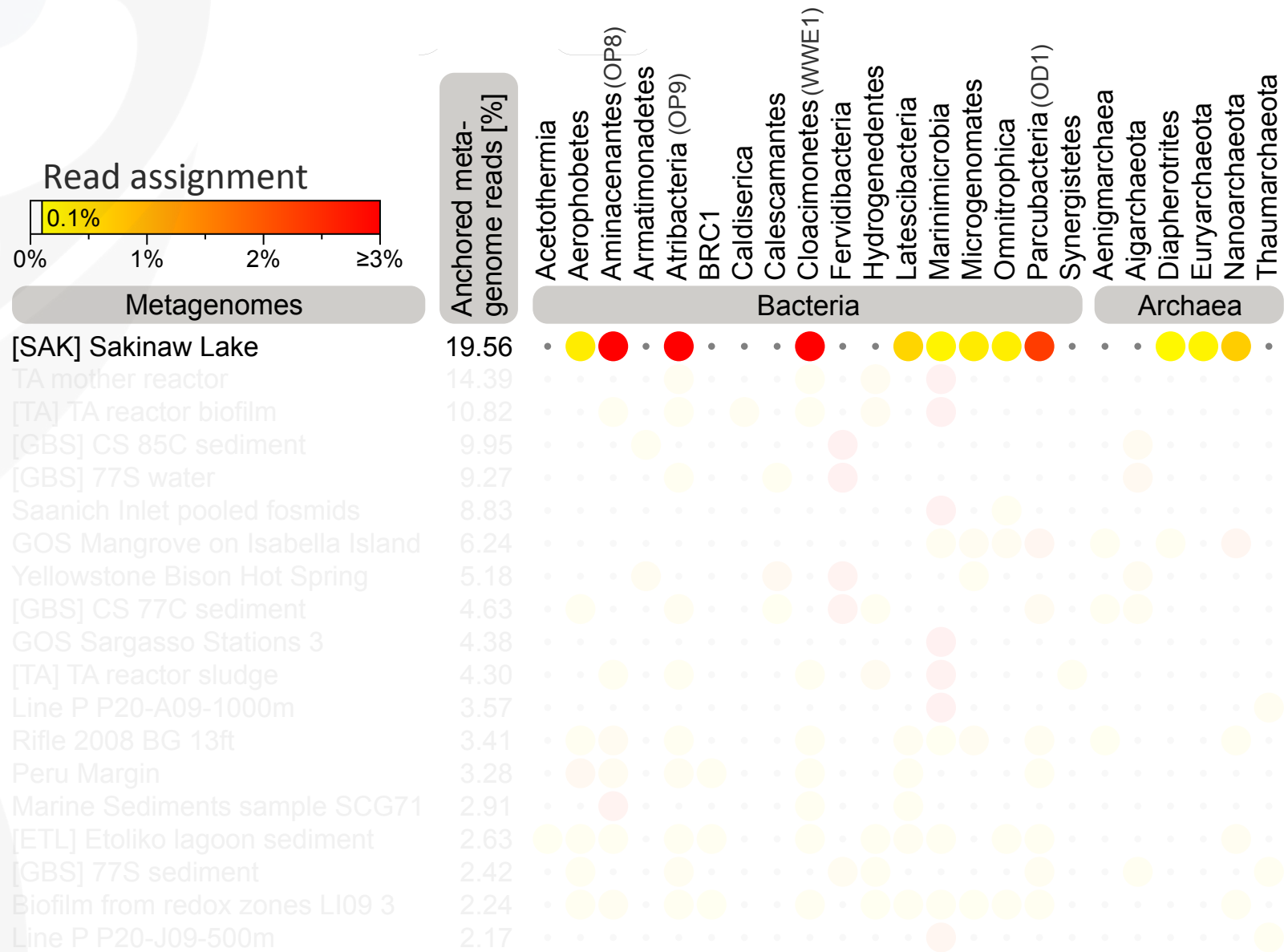
■ assigned by dark matter
single cells



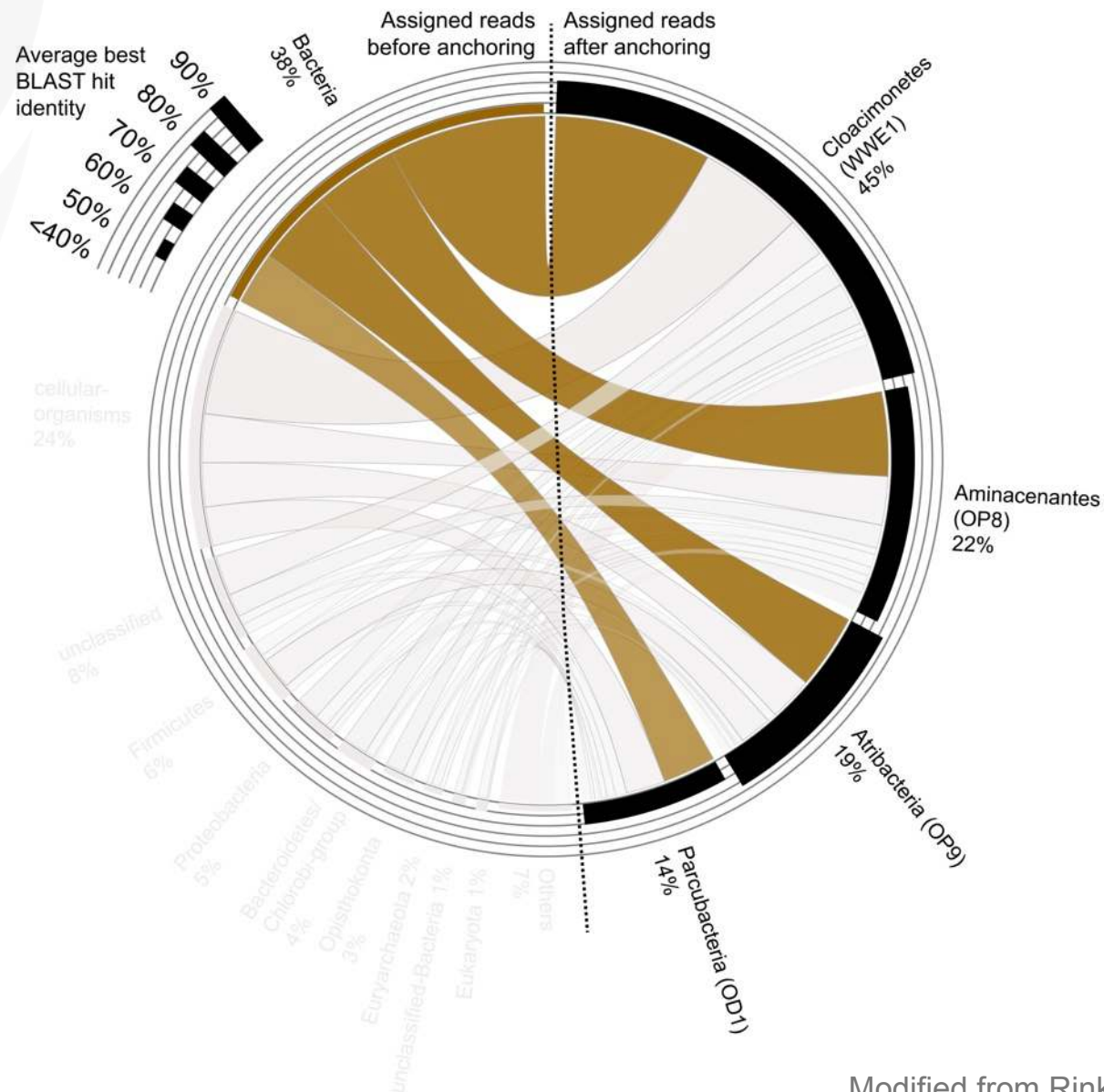
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Single cells as phylogenetic anchors



Single cells as phylogenetic anchors



Modified from Rinke et al 2013 (Nature)

Novel stop

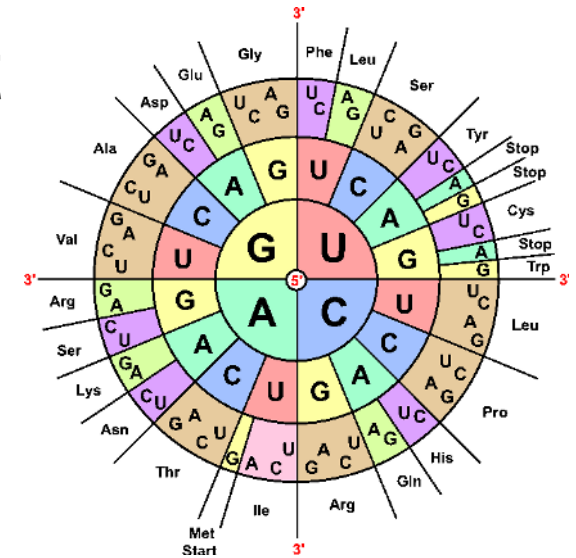
UAG ("a")
UAA ("o")
~~UAG ("a")~~

UAA ("ochre")

~~U.S. / ma~~



“Candidate Division SR1 and Gracilibacteria Code”



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AAs = FFLSSSSYY**CCGWL LLLPPPHHQRRRI IIMTTTNNKKSRRRVVVAAAADDEEGGG
Starts = ---M-----M-----M-----
Base1 = TTTTTTTTTTTTTTCCCCCCCCCCCCCAAAAAAAAAAAGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG
Base2 = TTTTCCC AAAAGGGGT TTCCCAA AAGGG GTTTC CCAA AAGGG GTTTC CCAA AAGGG
Base3 = TCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAGTCAG
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Differences from the Standard Code:

	Code 25	Standard
UGA	Gly	STOP *

Stop codon reassignments in the wild



Eddy Rubin



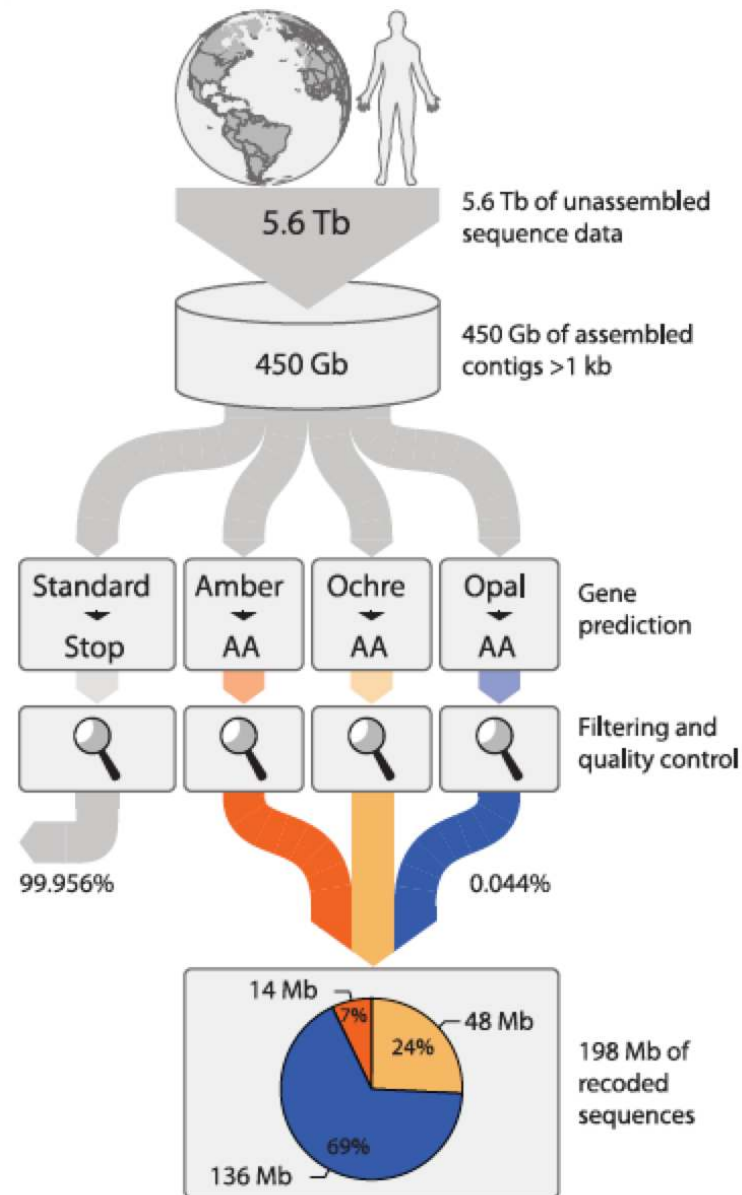
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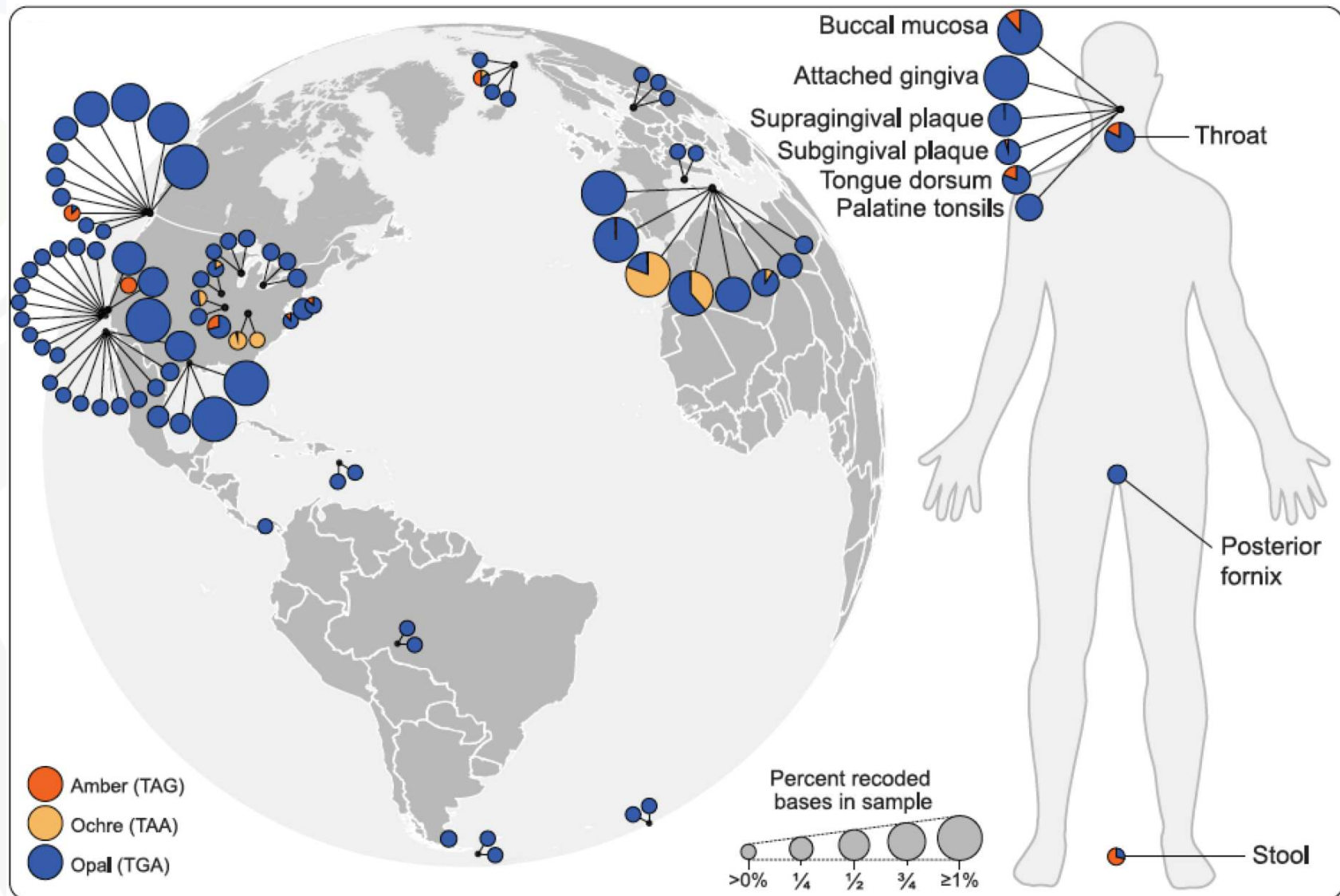


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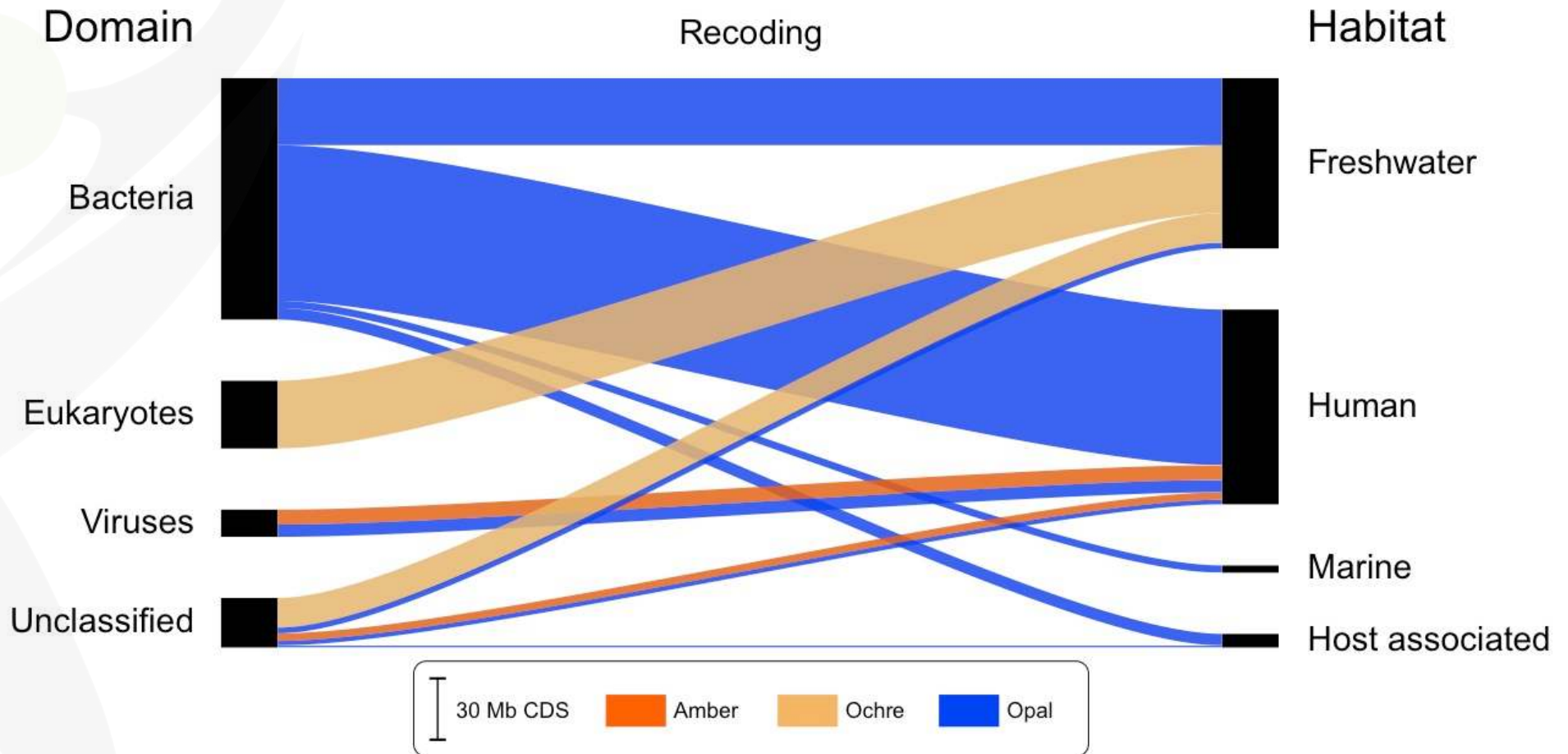


Ivanova et al 2014 (Science)

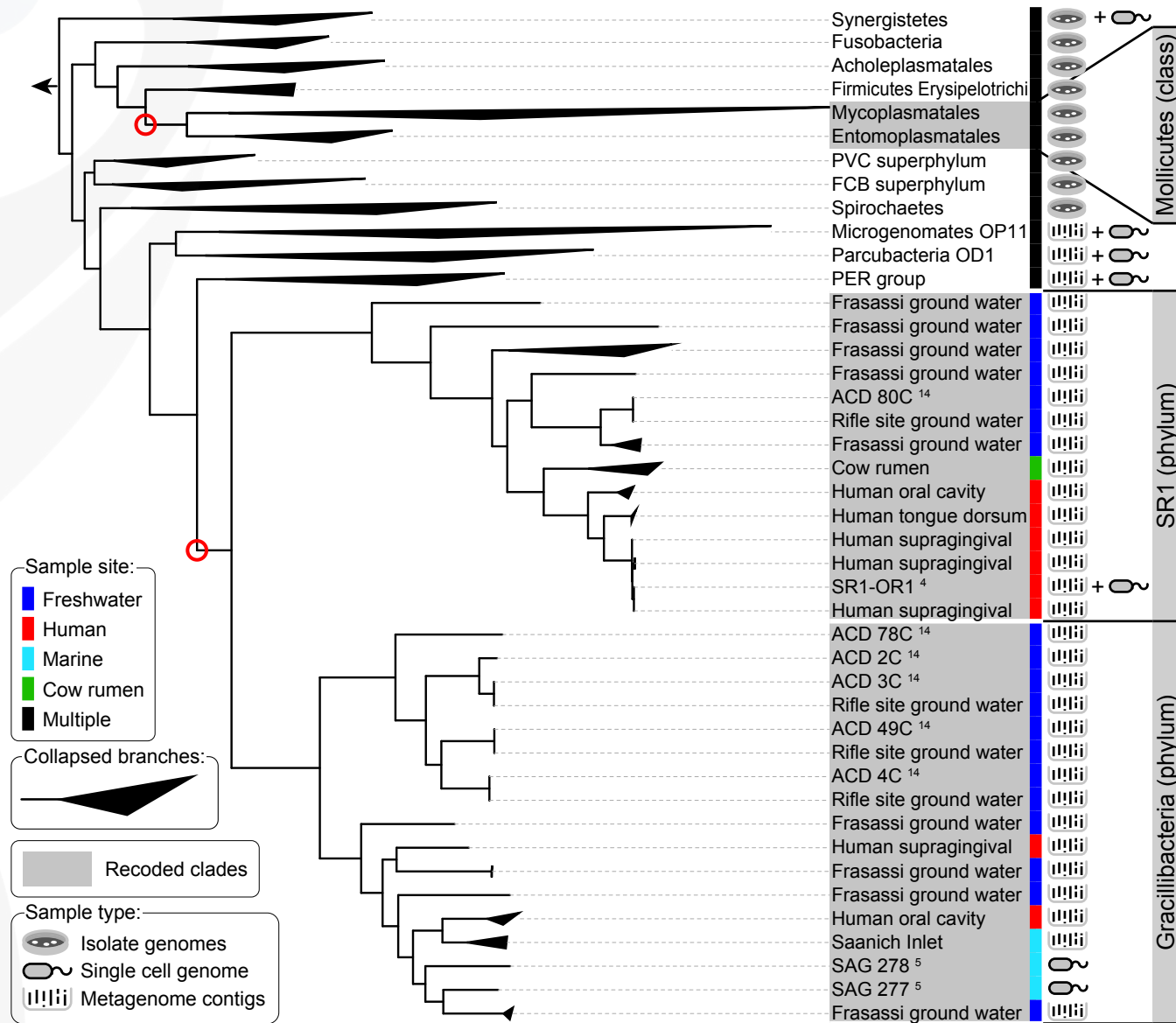
Sites of stop codon reassignments



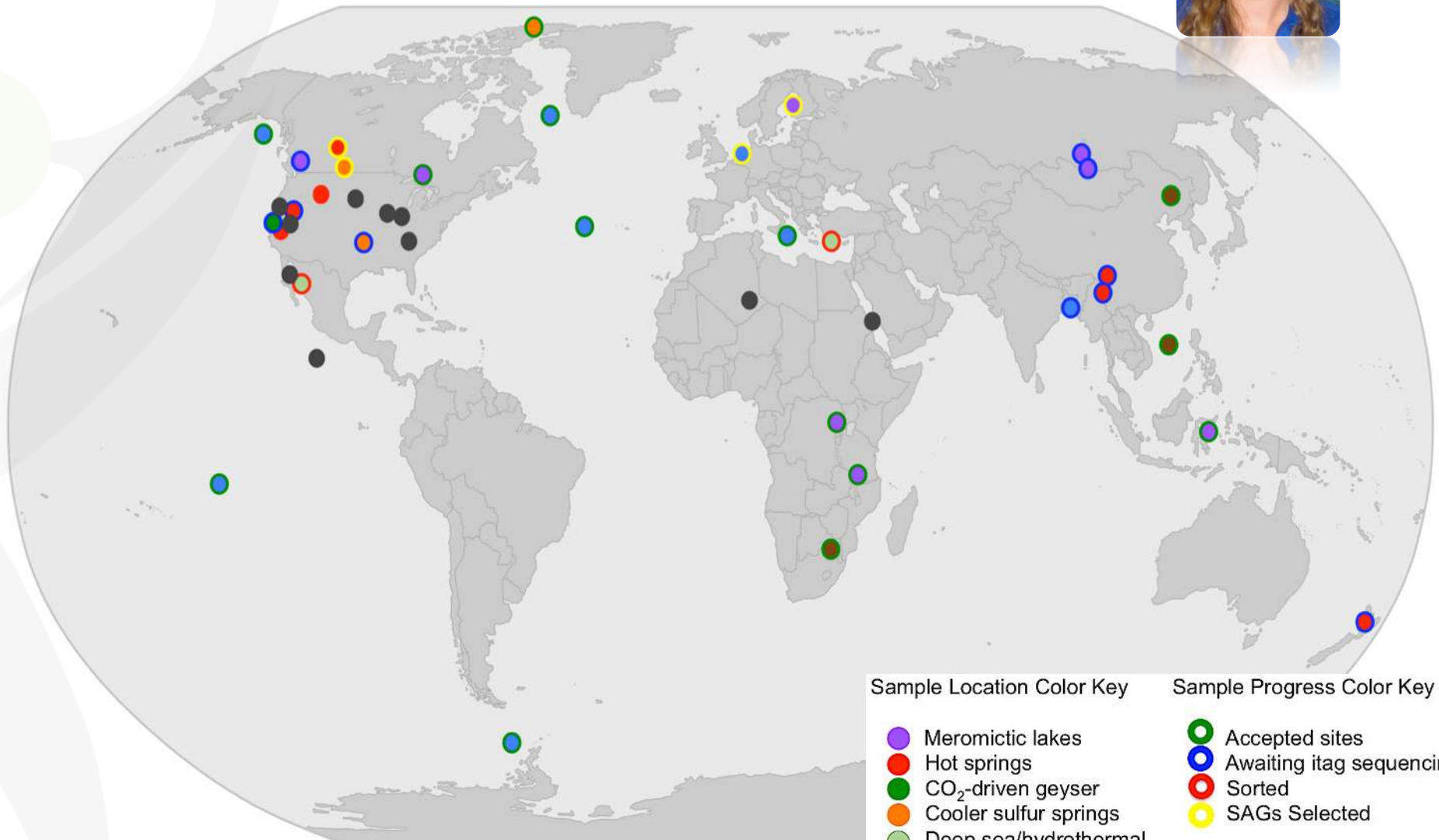
Bacterial opal recoding in freshwater and human



Two stop codon assignment events in bacteria



Microbial Dark Matter phase II: A community effort



Sample Location Color Key

- Meromictic lakes
- Hot springs
- CO₂-driven geyser
- Cooler sulfur springs
- Deep sea/hydrothermal
- Seawater or freshwater
- Deep subsurface
- Declined sites

Sample Progress Color Key

- Accepted sites
- Awaiting itag sequencing
- Sorted
- SAGs Selected

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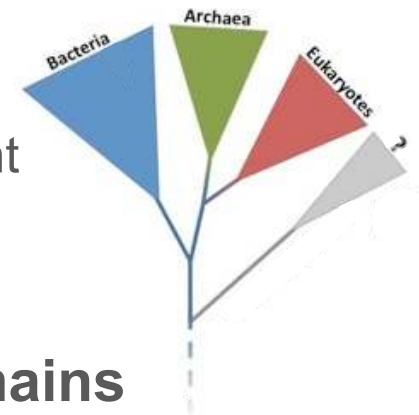
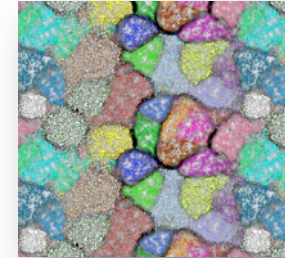
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Expected outcome

- More novel discoveries
- Improved binning of metagenome data
- Understanding of DOE–relevant systems of JGI Users
- Microbial ecology & evolution
 - Functional roles of candidate phyla in the environment
 - Phylogenetic distribution of key metabolic functions
 - Co-occurrences of candidate phyla
 - **Early evolution of bacterial & archaeal domains**

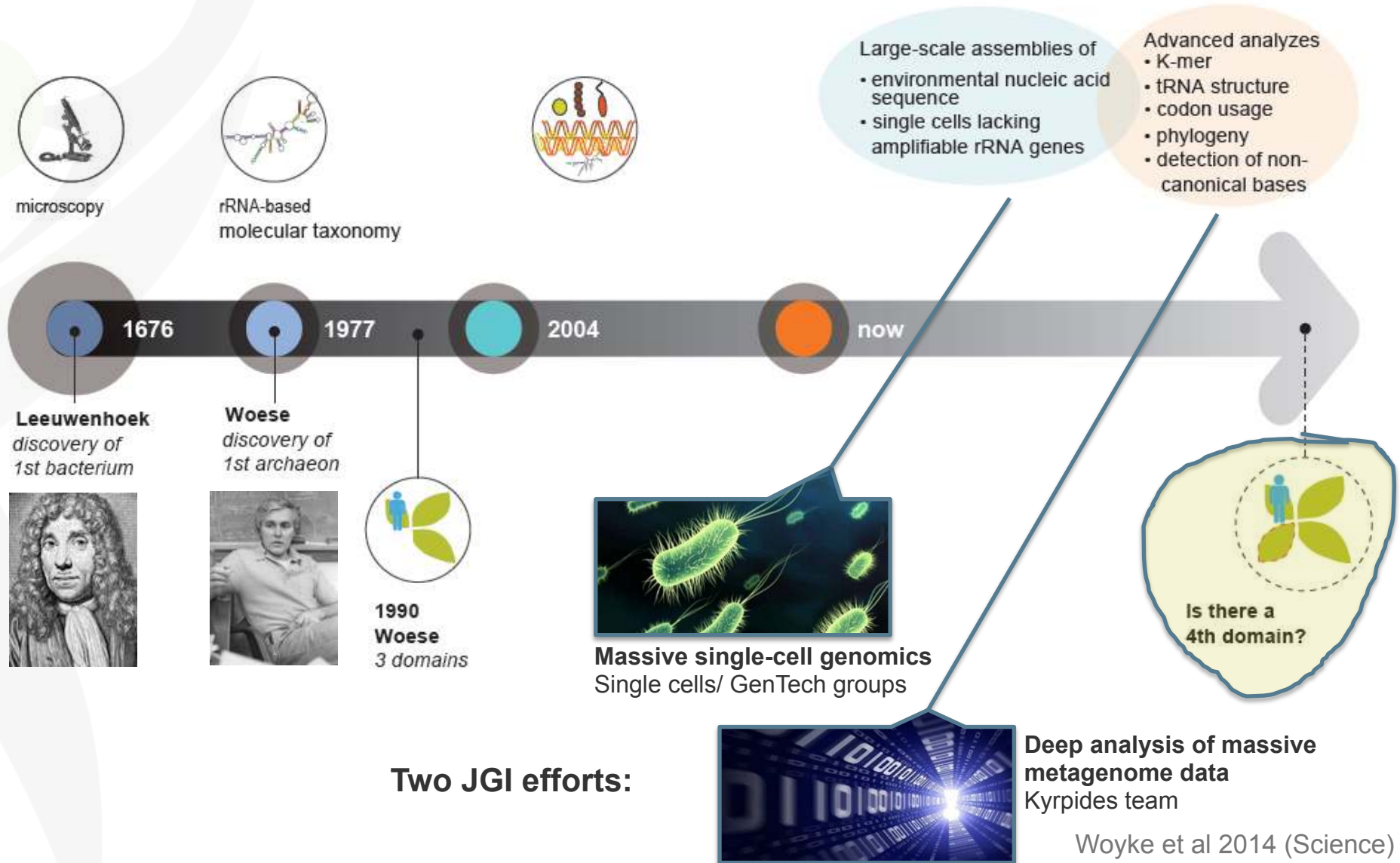


What else is out there?

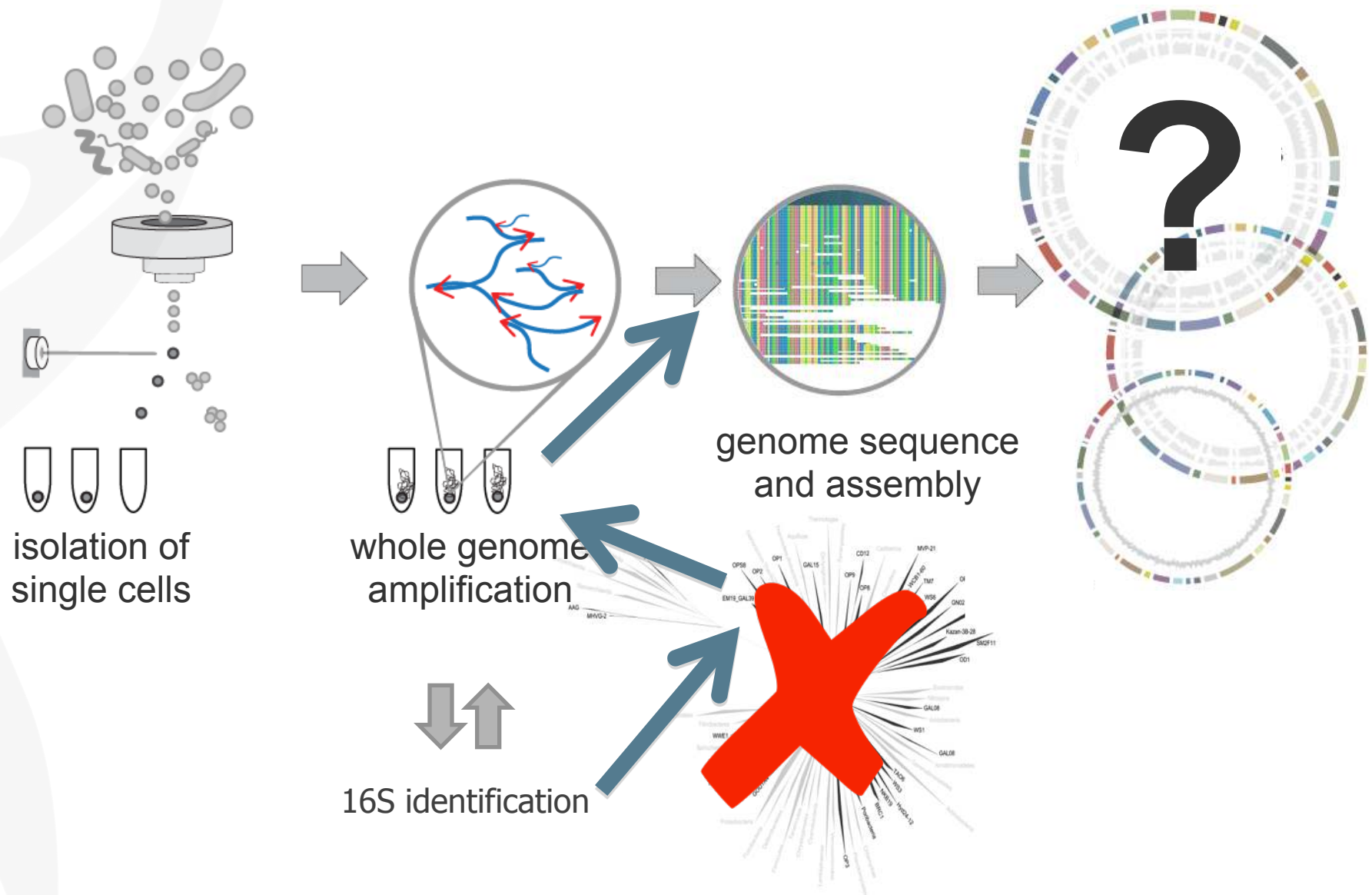


The Search for new major branches

Search for new major branches



One approach to look for “new major branches”





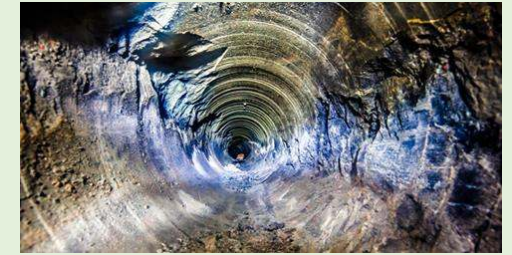
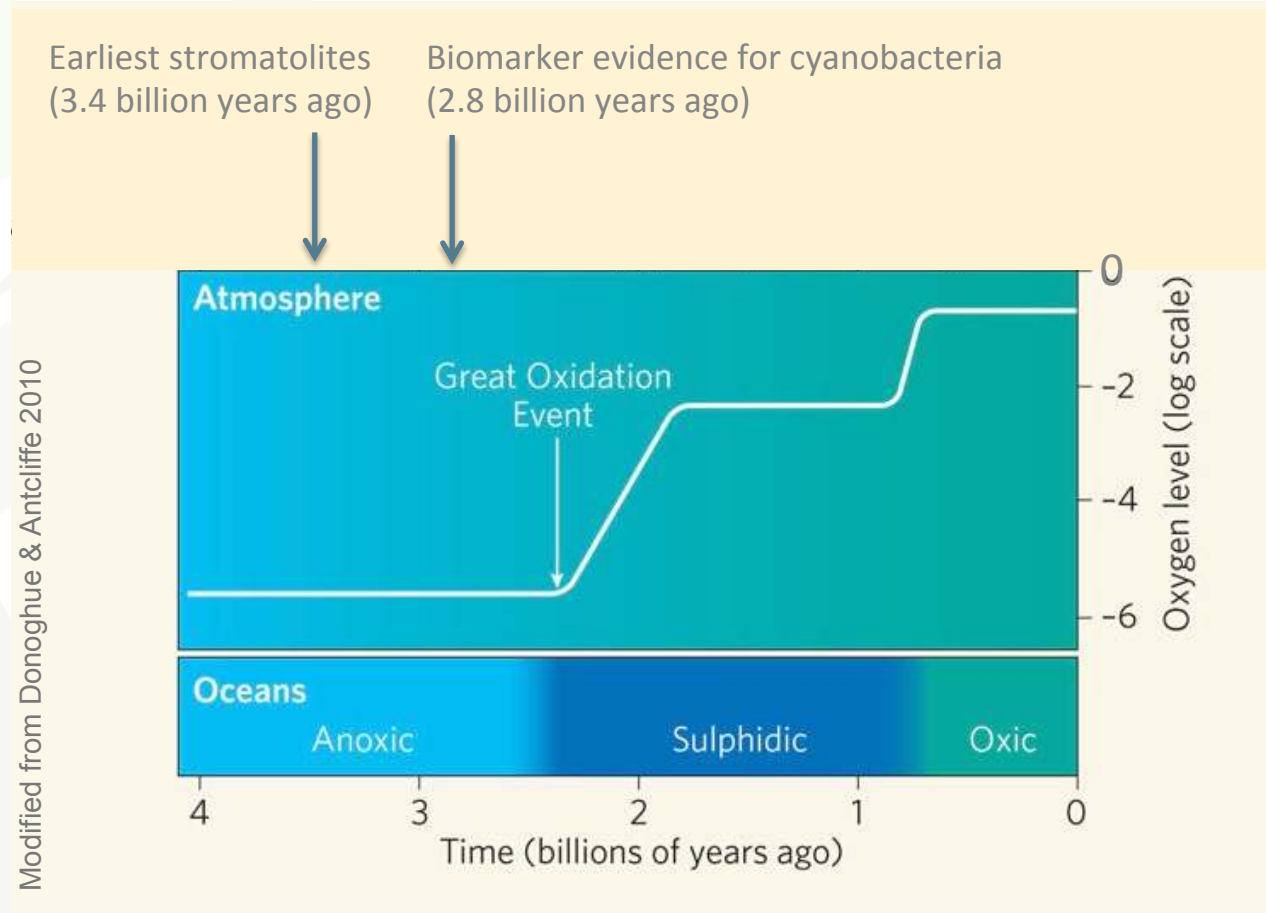
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without 16S amplicon:
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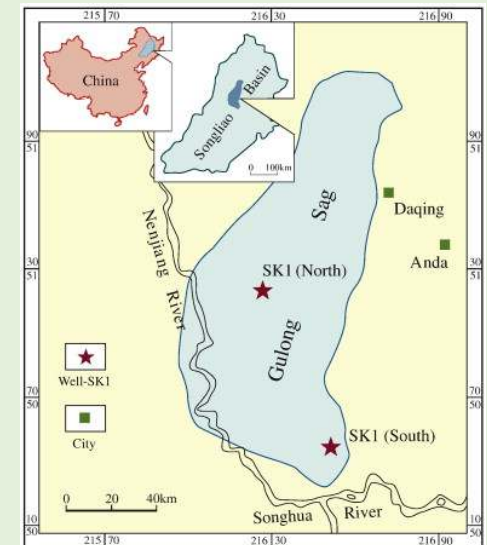
Where else should one look?

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Environments mimicking that of early Earth



Sanford Underground Research Facility (D Moser)



Songliao basin (H Dong)

→ Deep subsurface “oxygen free” environments

- A few words about the JGI

- who we are & what we do

- **Single-cell genomics**

- the why, the how & what to expect from it



- **Single-cell science vignettes**

- from symbionts to microbial dark matter

- **Crystal ball**

- what the future may bring

A pair of hands is shown holding a glowing blue sphere, which appears to be a planet or a large cell. The sphere has a bright, glowing center and a darker blue outer layer. The hands are positioned at the bottom, with fingers wrapped around the sphere. The background is dark and textured, resembling a close-up of a biological surface. The text "fnx-driven single-cell genomics" is overlaid on the sphere in a white, sans-serif font.

fnx-driven single-cell genomics

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Function-driven single-cell genomics

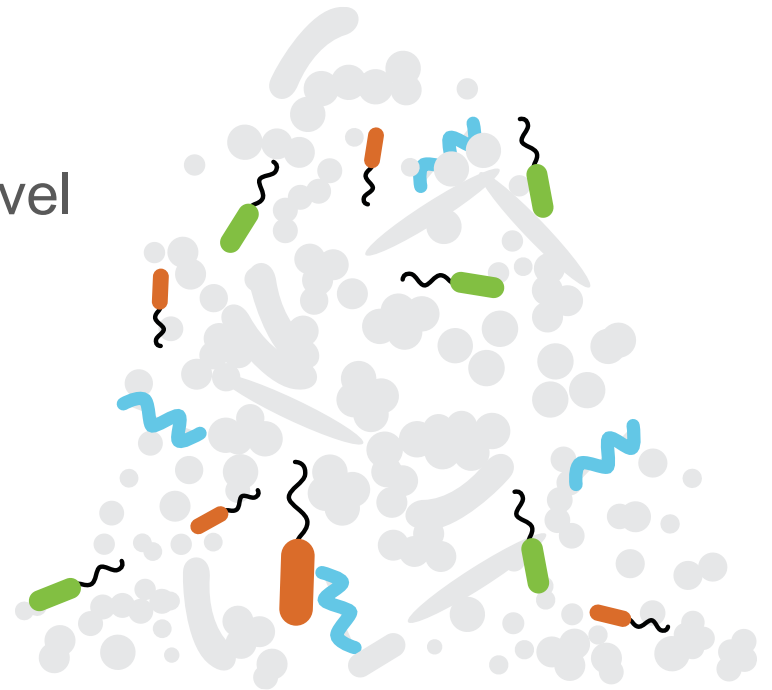
- “Next generation single-cell sequencing”:
- Identification and pre-enrichment of uncultivated environmental microbes that are involved in biogeochemical processes of interest:
 - targeted/ function-driven
 - prior to sequencing
 - without relying on any known genetic markers
 - without cultivation biases



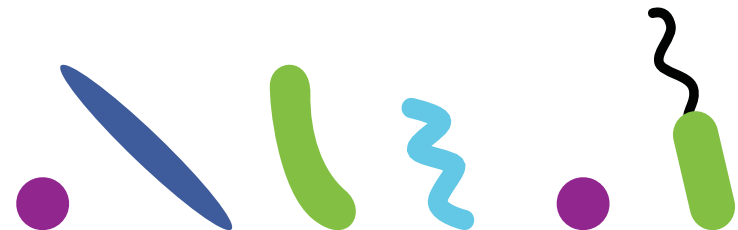
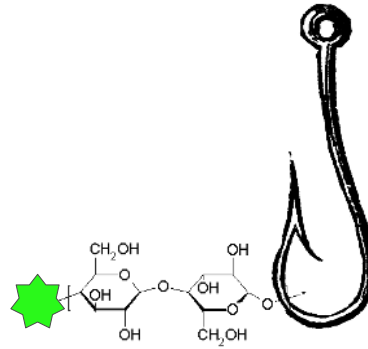
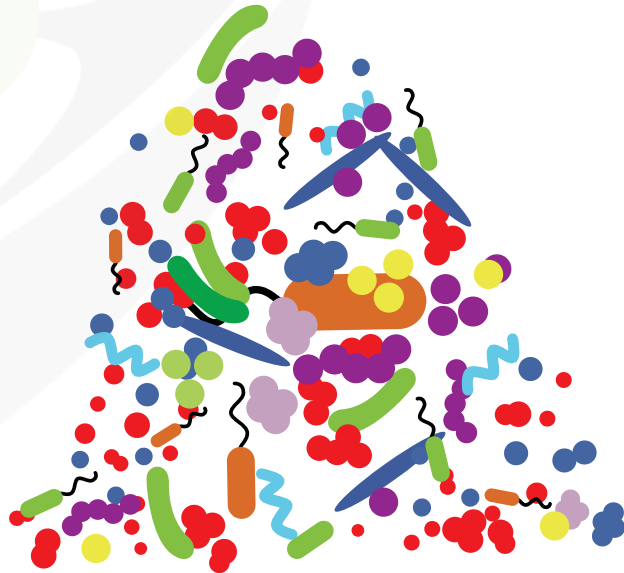
“finding the needles in the haystack”

Why function-driven genomics?

- Need to move beyond sequencing yet another genome and narrow our focus on studying microbes that are involved in biogeochemical processes of interest
- Function-driven genomics is part of JGIs strategic future
- For single cells, adding a functional component is technologically highly novel (“Next-gen SCG”)



What is needed:

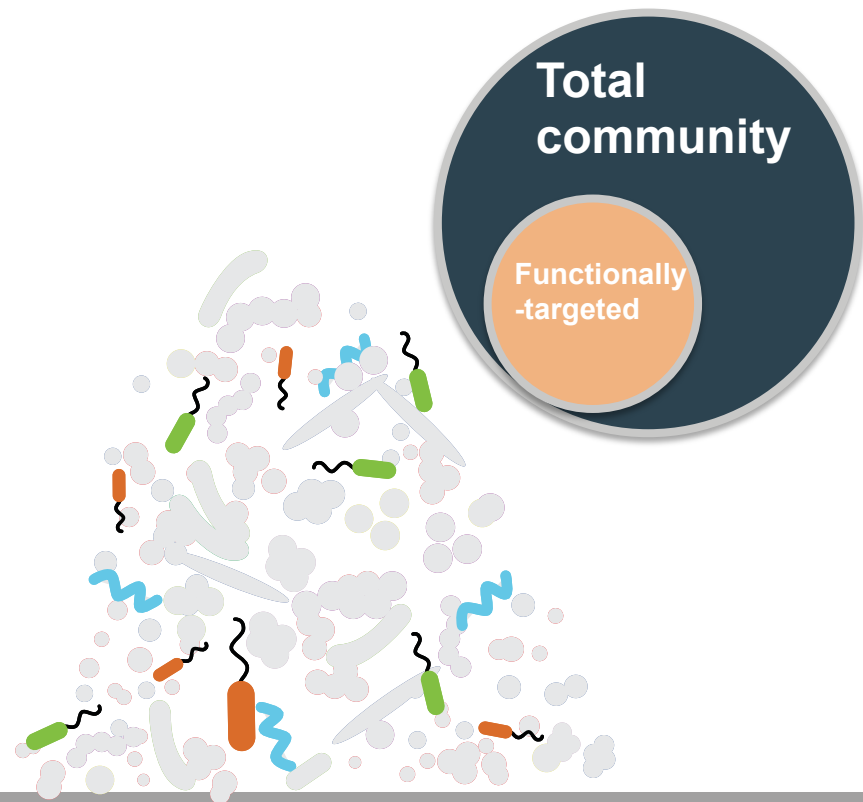
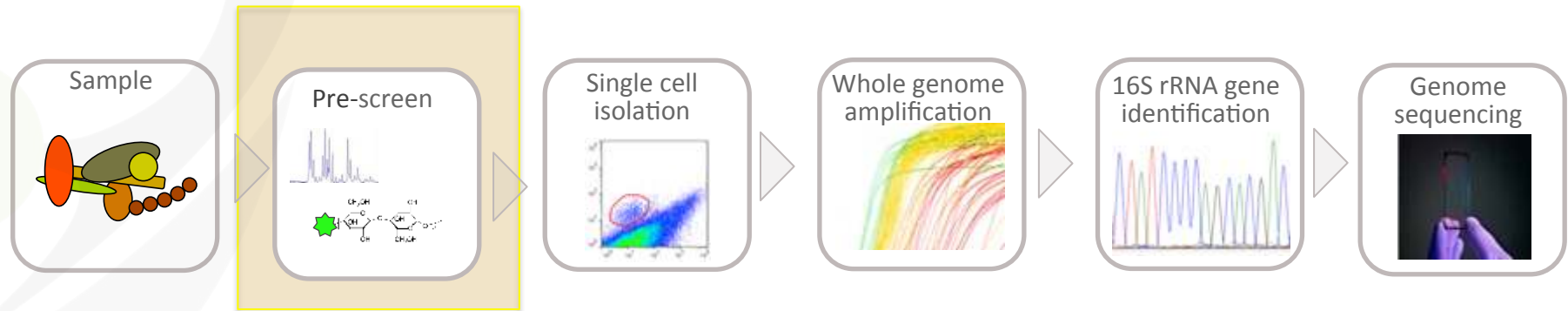


Metagenomics: high throughput, but genome context of functional genes often missing

Single-cell genomics: enables genome context, but low throughput

Neither methods is generally targeted

Function-driven single-cell genomics



Function-driven single-cell genomics

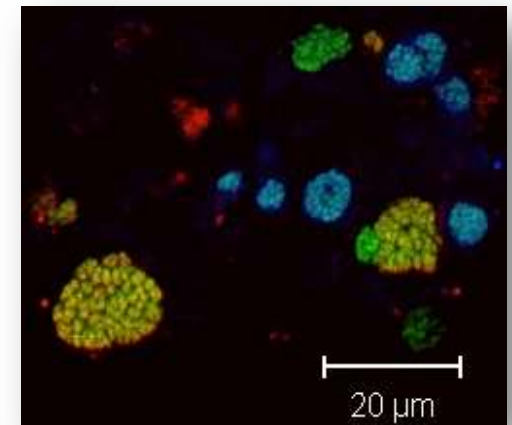
Two examples:

Nitrifier diversity

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Plant carbon decomposition

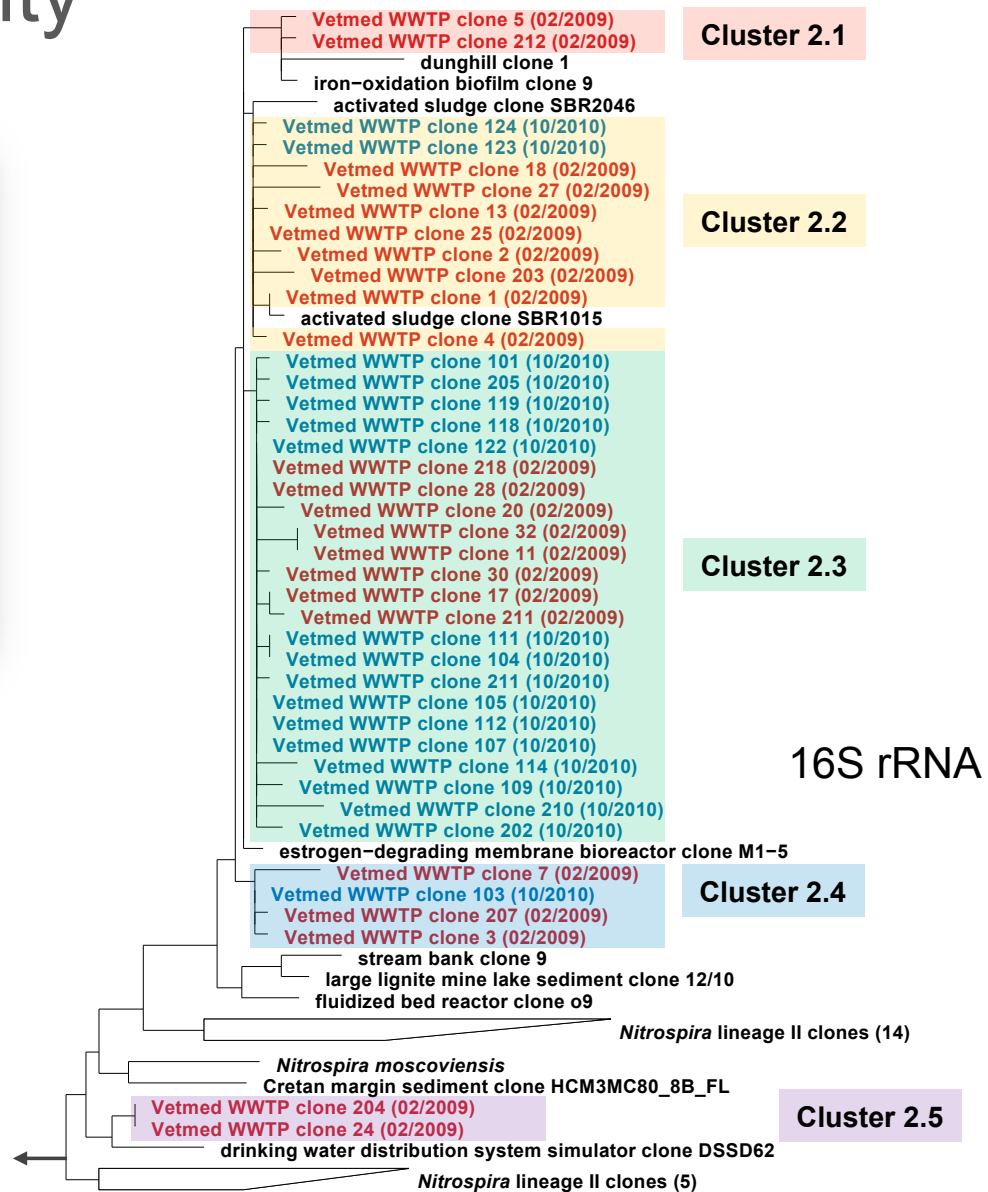
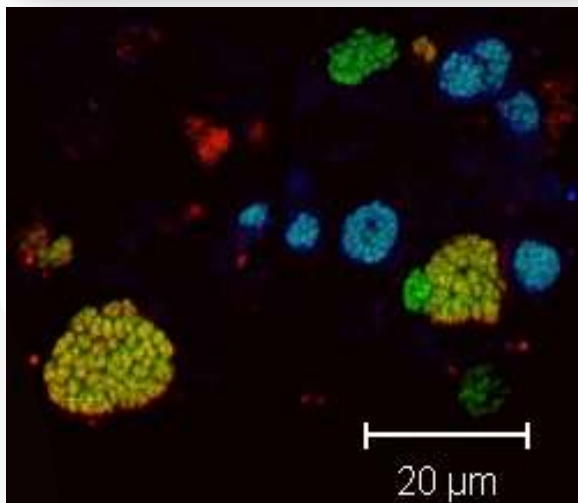
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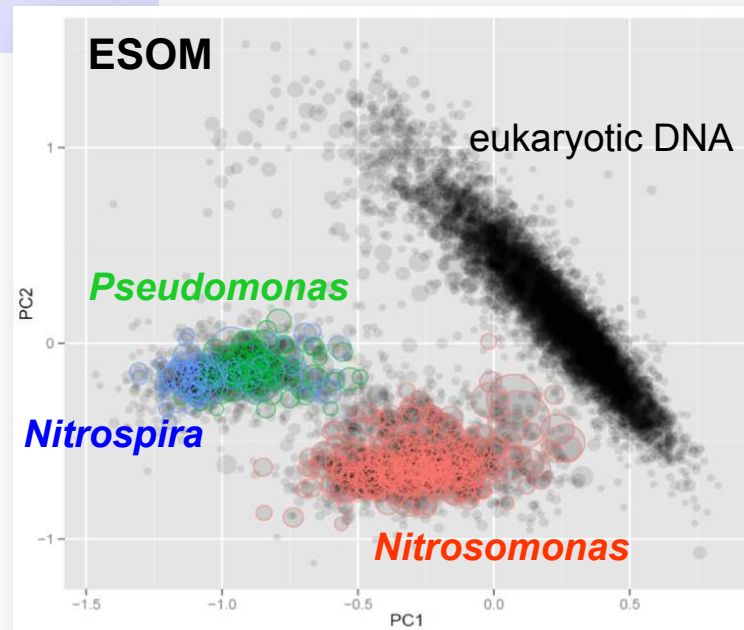
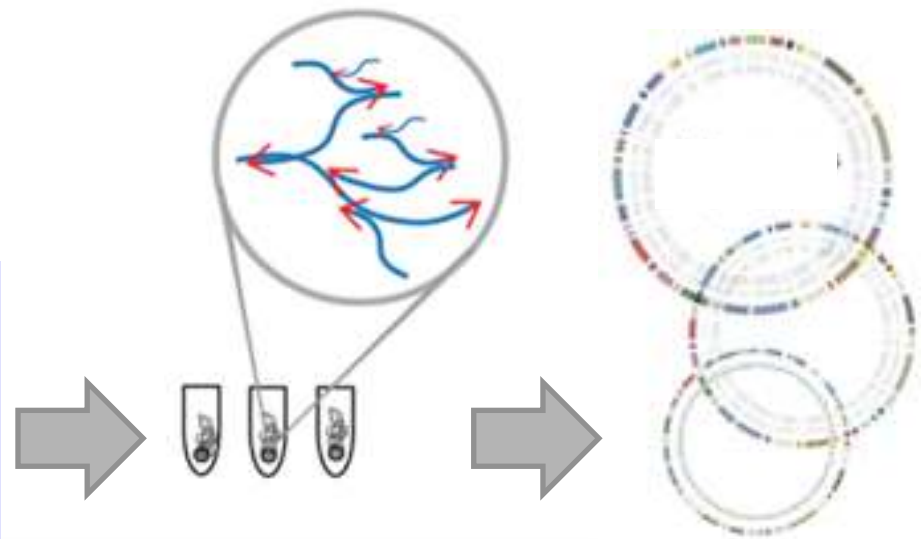
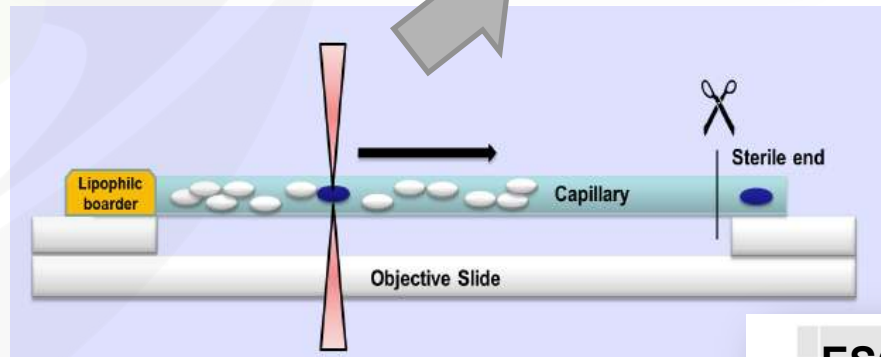
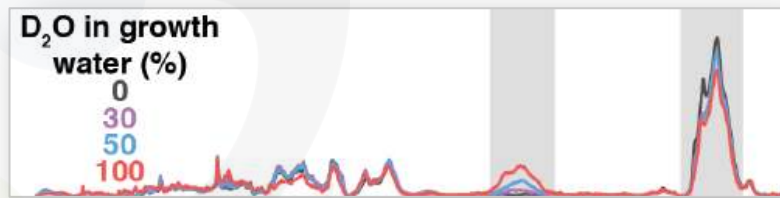
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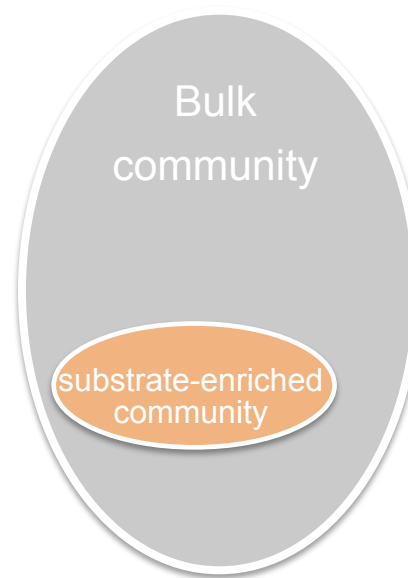
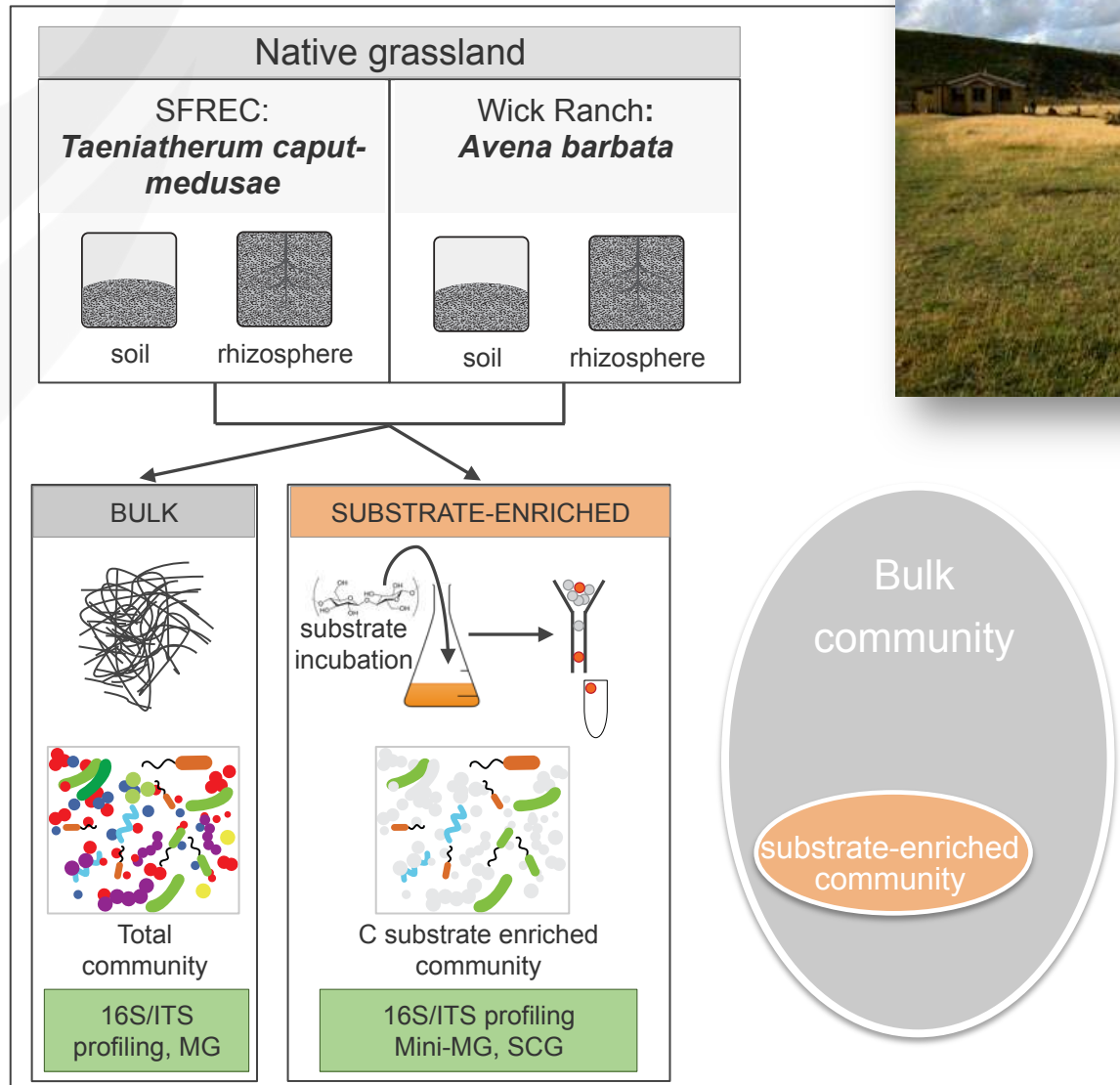
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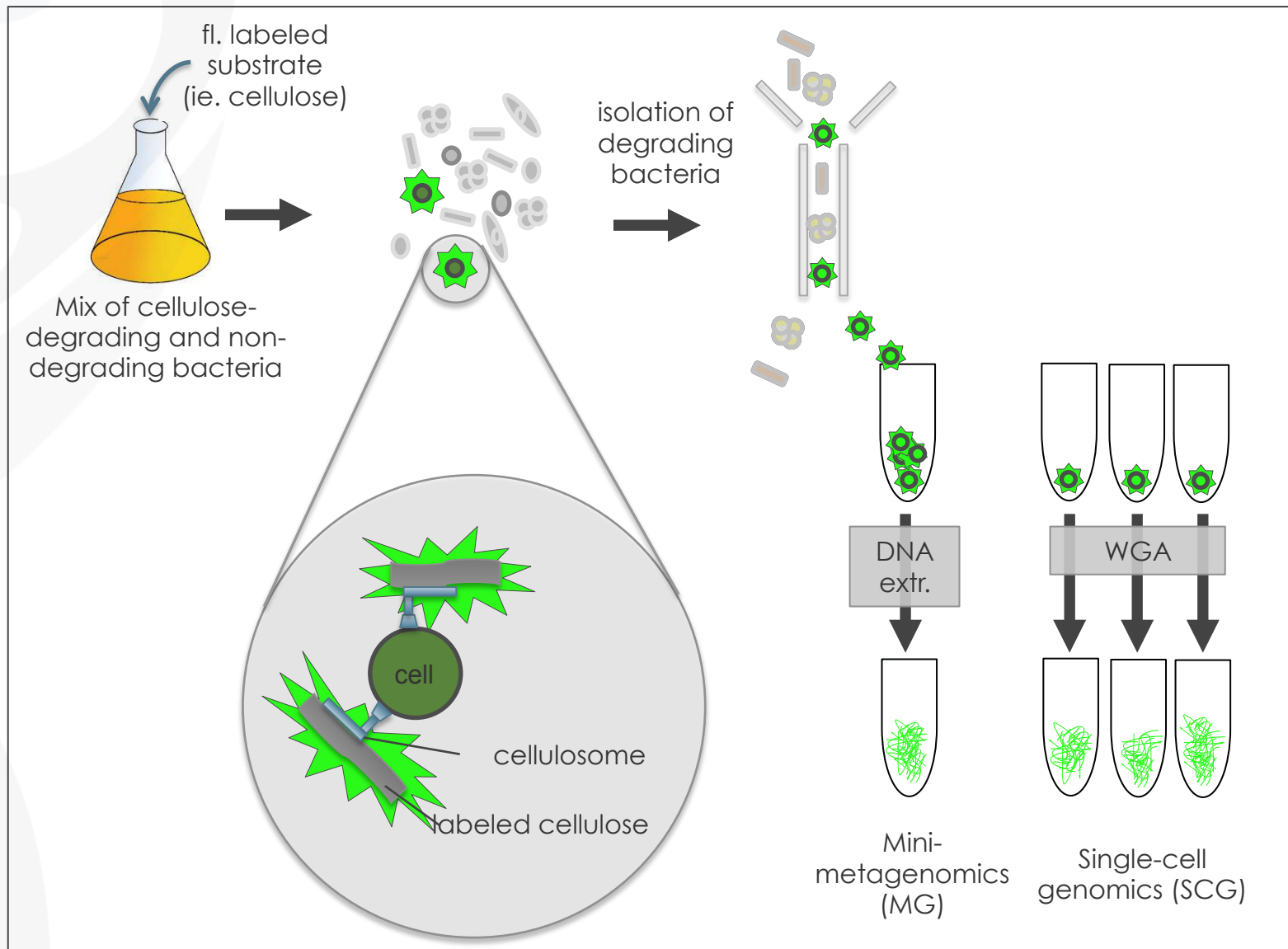
Raman-activated colony sorting



Plant-carbon decomposition project



Fluorescent-labeled substrate approach



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