PGC Worldwide Lab Call Details

DATE: Friday, April 10th, 2015

PRESENTER: Kevin Eggan, PhD, Professor in the Department of Stem Cell and Regenerative Biology, Harvard University.

- TITLE: "Ruggedizing" Stem Cell Technologies for the Study of Psychiatric Disease
- **START:** We will begin promptly on the hour.

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DURATION: 1 hour

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PRESENTER: Benjamin Neale, PhD, from Harvard Medical School, ATGU MGH, and Broad Institute

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"Ruggedizing" Stem Cell Technologies for the Study of Psychiatric Disease

Kevin Eggan





Stem Cell Program Mission Statement

• **Our Mission** is to utilize human stem cell biology and reprogramming technologies to create model systems that allow us to study and understand the function of genetic variants that underlie psychiatric conditions.





Outline

- A small human stem cell "genome project".
- An automated approach to iPS cell generation.
- Generation and characterization of a prototype human pyramidal neuron.
- An Armamentarium for understanding the regulation of implicated genes.





ESC Genome Project Goals

- What is the genetic make up of commonly used ES Cell lines?
- Given extensive cell culture, what is their mutational load?
- Catalog the haplotype structure of cell lines for study of regulatory variation.





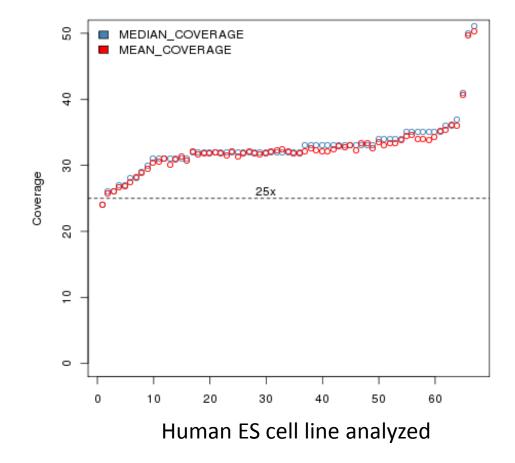
Cell Line Acquisition and Seq Plan

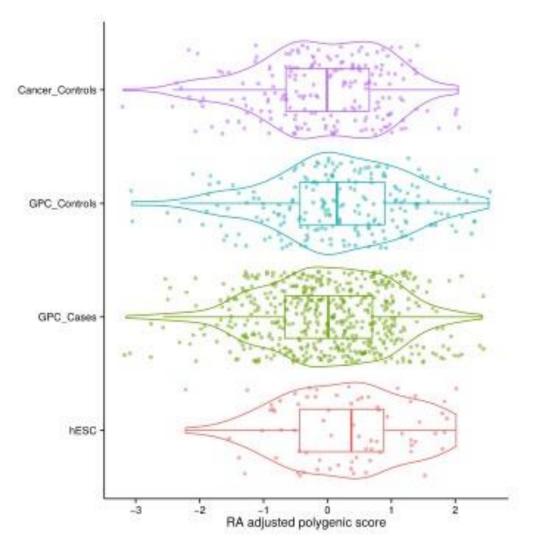
- Requested -150 lines from the NIH registry.
- Successfully obtained and banked >100 lines.
- Goal: 30X WGS on Illumina X10 platform and deeper exome sequence for each line.



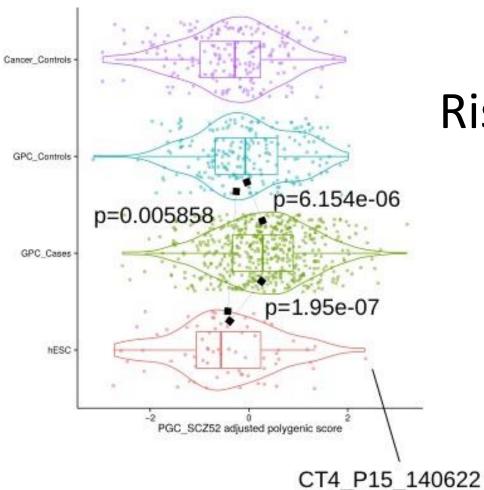


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Polygenic Risk of Arthritis



Polygenic Risk of Schizophrenia

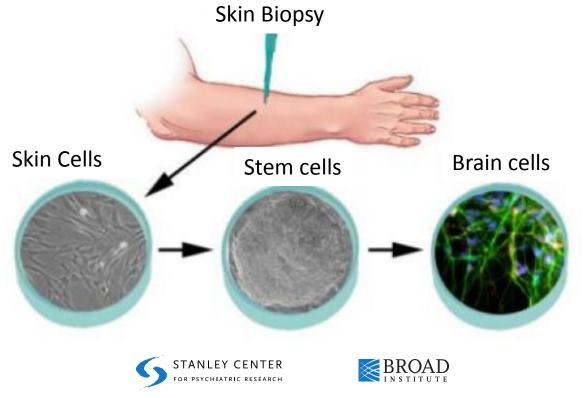
Initial impressions from sequences

- Lines are surprisingly intact.
- Small number of shared CNVs, mostly known.
- On average, 1-2 private mutations per line.
- While lines are on average depleted of risk, many cell lines harbor risk variants of interest for study.
- Ongoing deposition in dbGaP for data sharing.





Reprogramming Breakthrough



Takahashi, Yamanaka and many others

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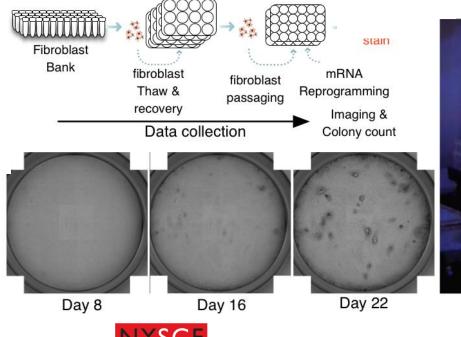
The Challenge: Artisanal Production







Robotic Production of iPS Cells





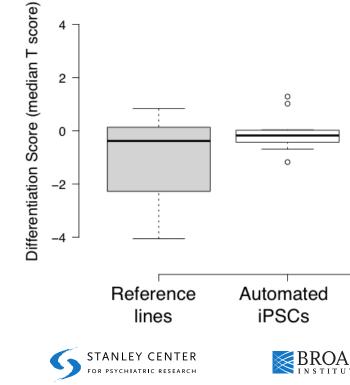






Daniel Paul, Scott Noggle, Alex Meissner

Automation Reduces Stem Cell Performance



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A Growing Collection of Somatic Samples

<u>Diagnosis</u>	Subjects Collected	
Bipolar Disorder:	101	
Schizophrenia:	81	
Schizoaffective Disor	rder: 43	
Healthy Controls:	58	





Reprogramming Progress Report

- 100 individuals to be reprogrammed in 2015.
- Initial focus on high/low levels of polygenic risk and calcium channel genotypes.
- Group conversation ongoing concerning which Swedish high-risk individuals to collect/study.
- Intent to distribute these iPS cells broadly.





A prototype pyramidal neuron

 Sudhof and Wernig labs reported that forced expression of NGN2 drives neuronal specification of human pluripotent stem cells (Zhang *et al* 2013).

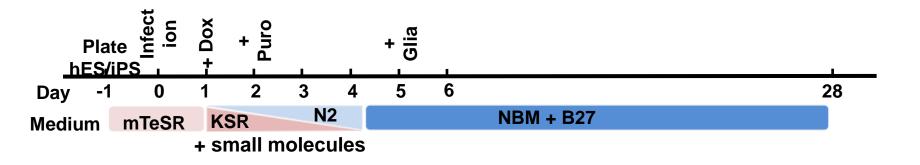
- What are the reproducible qualities of these neurons?
- Can we use these as a stable baseline for evaluation of variants implicated in psychiatric disease?



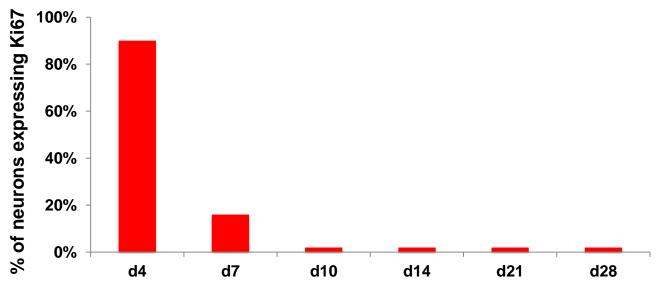


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The NGN2 rapid differentiation protocol

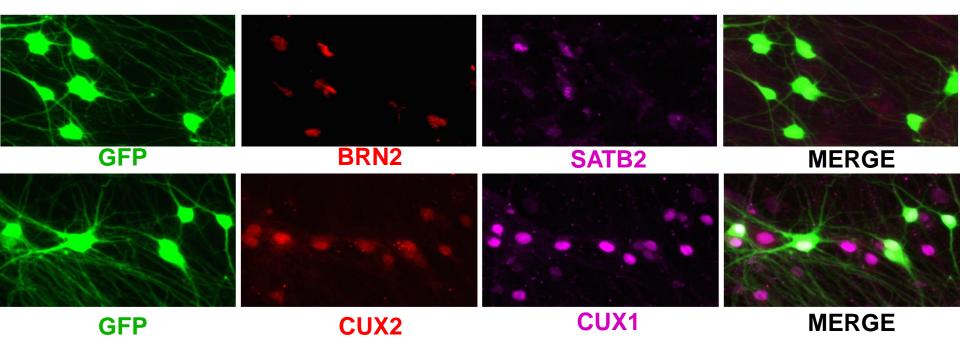


Ngn2 neurons exit cell cycle by day 10



Time point at which KI67 staining was performed (N=50 cells counted at each time point)

Ngn2-derived neurons express markers of superficial cortical layers



Analysis of gene expression in single cells using the Fluidigm Biomark



- Pluripotency
- ✓ Neural Crest
- ✓ Forebrain progenitors
- ✓ Other neuronal progenitors
- ✓ Astro-Glial markers
- ✓ Pan Neuronal
- ✓ Cortical Projection Neurons
- ✓ Corticospinal/Corticofugal PN



CHIP 2 Neuronal Maturity

- ✓ Forebrain progenitors
- Astro-Glial markers
- ✓ Pan Neuronal
- ✓ Cortical Projection Neurons
- ✓ Corticospinal/Corticofugal PN
- ✓ Interneuron
 - Migratory
- Synaptic/Neurochemical

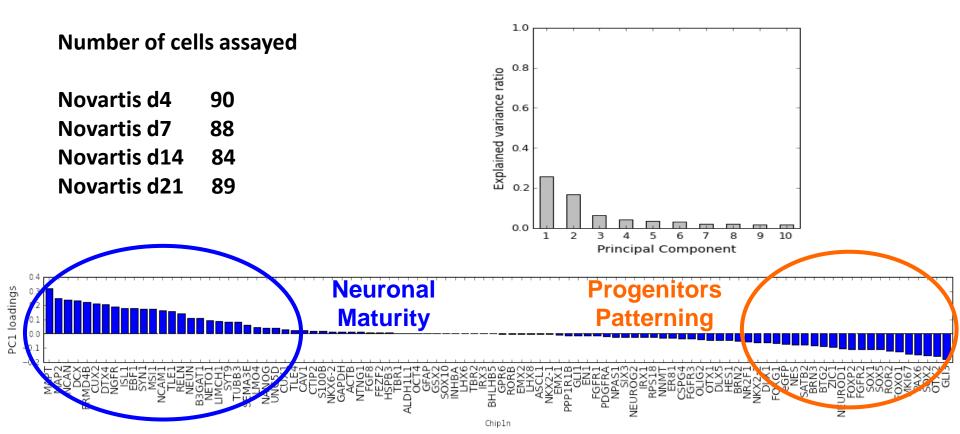


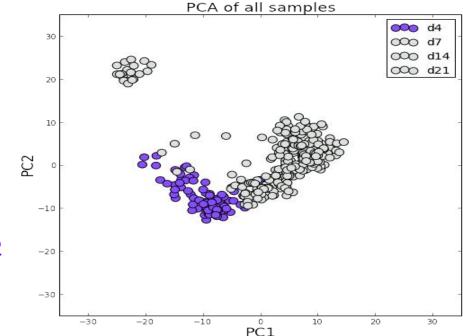
CHIP 3 Emerging GWAS genes

- ✓ "Single" gene haplotypes
- "Two" gene haplotypes
- ✓ "Autism" genes
- ✓ Controls

Designed with: Paola Arlotta, Ralda Nehme, Ema Zuccaro, Asif Maroof, Lindy Barrett

Cells show a strong transcriptional signal of maturation over time in culture (chip 1)



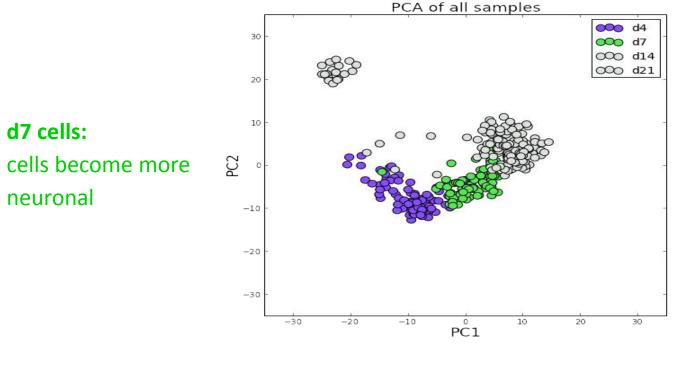


d4 cells:

Express progenitor markers (including Ki67), some neuronal markers, some CPN markers (such as Brn2 and Satb2).

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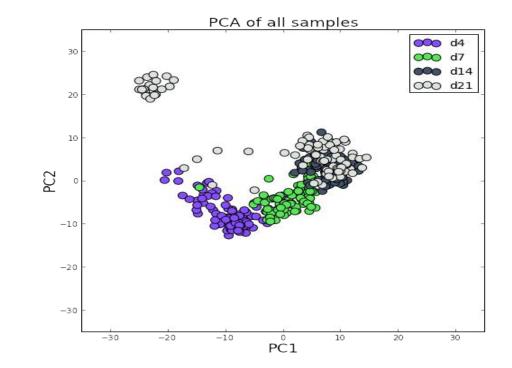
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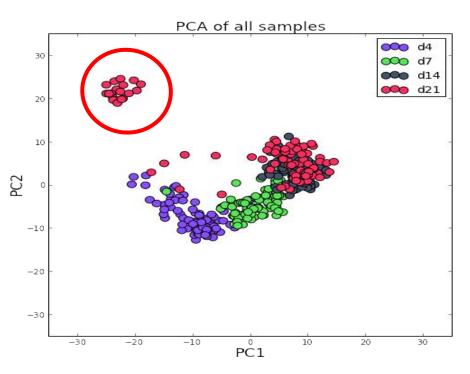
d14: even more neuronal. Cells express CPN, and some deep layer markers



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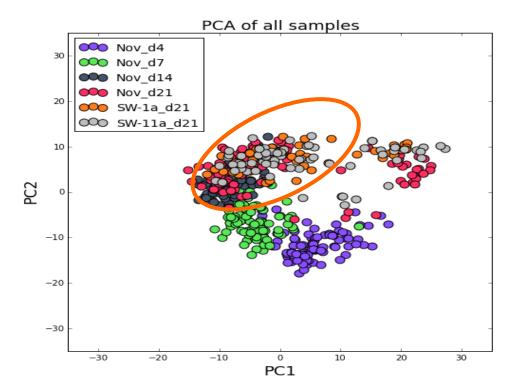
d21: most cells are neuronal

However, a progenitor population appears (20% of cells)

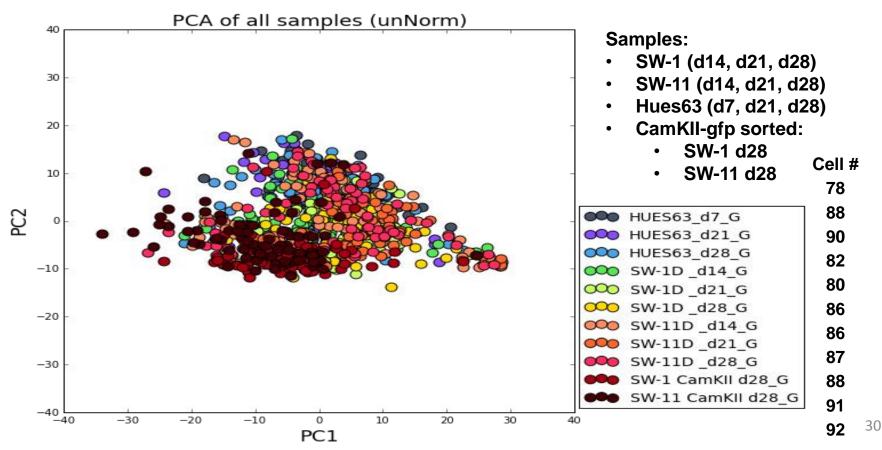


Less mature More mature

Reproducible gene expression across line, site



Chip3 (SCZ GWAS) comparisons

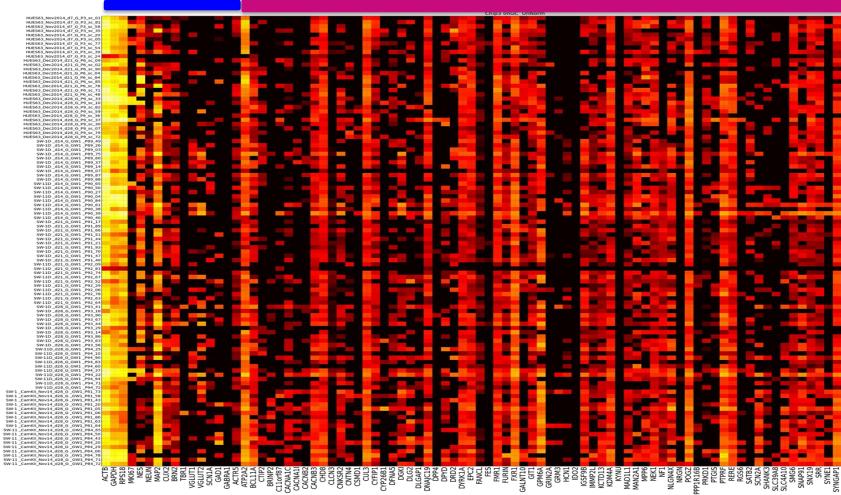




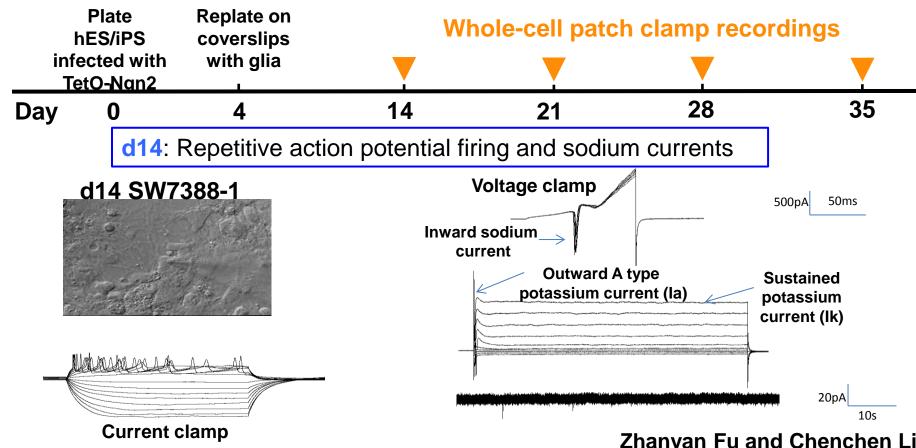
"GWAS" genes

Every 9th cell shown

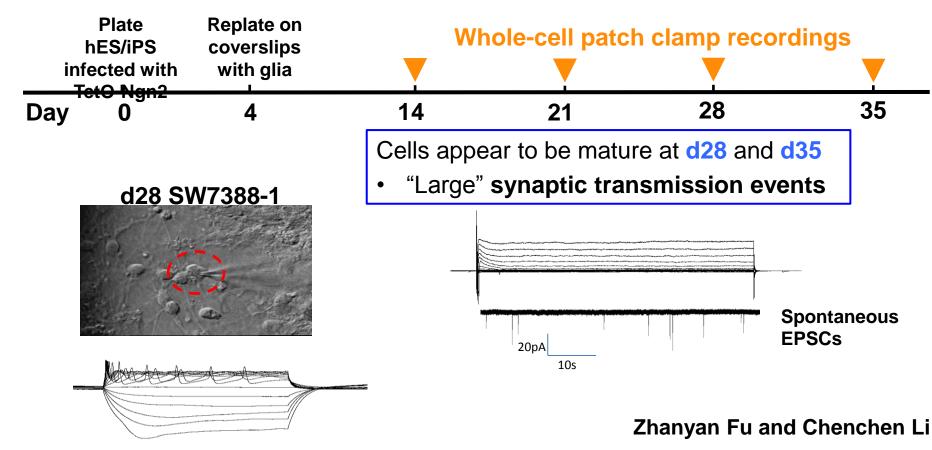
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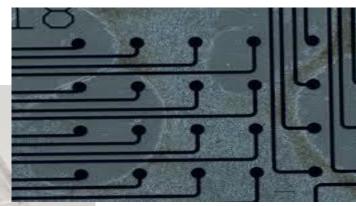
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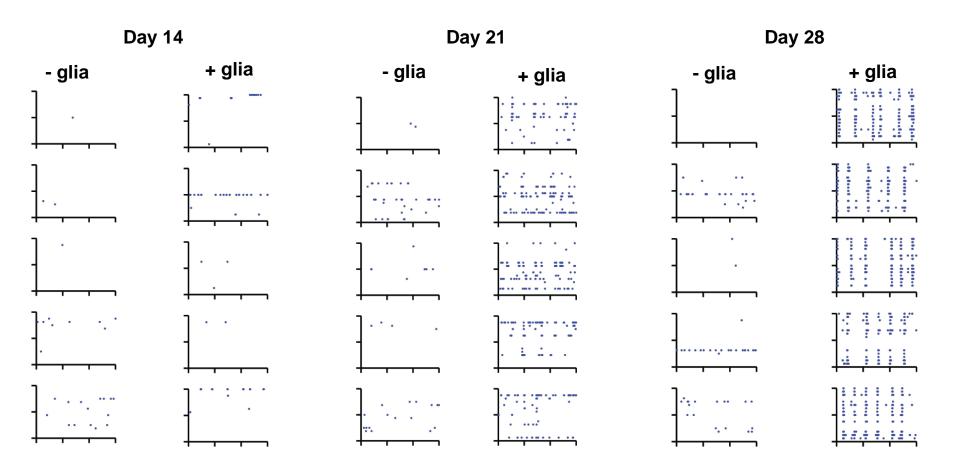


Monitoring activity in electrode array

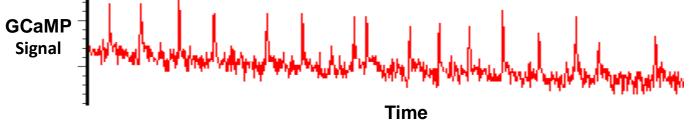


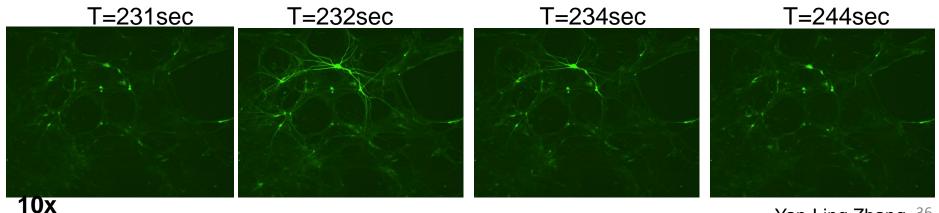


Astrocytes Induce Synchronized Network Activity



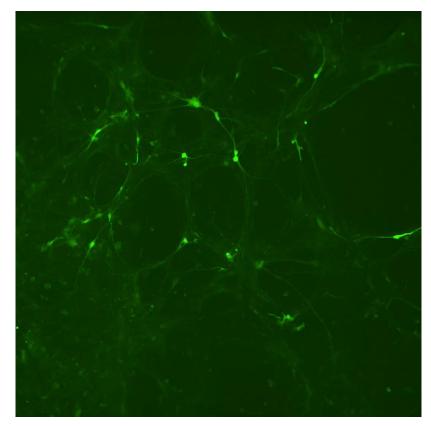






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GCaMP6 reporter shows NGN2 neurons fire synchronously



"Bursting" of NGN2 neurons in 384 plate format

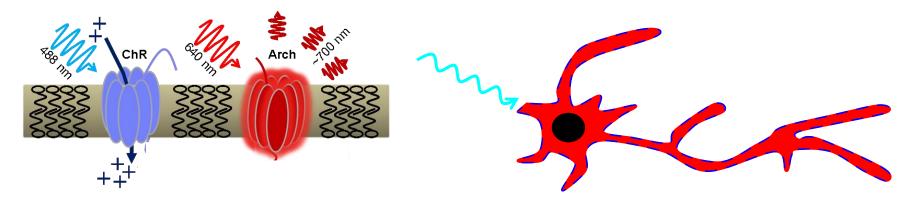
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Probing Activity with Light

Co-express Actuator and Voltage indicator



Blue light triggers neural activity.

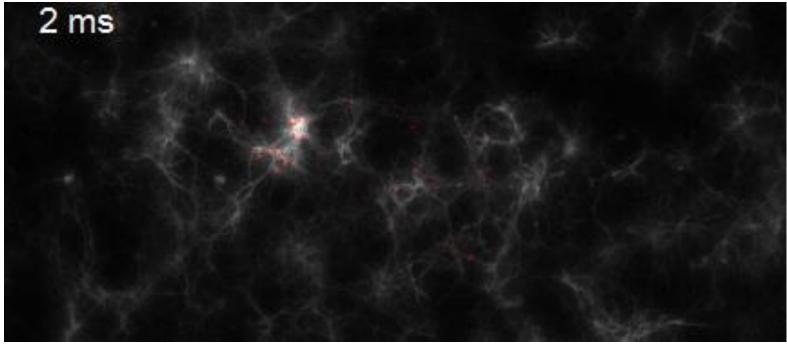
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Red light probes the response.

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Visualizing Neuronal Activity

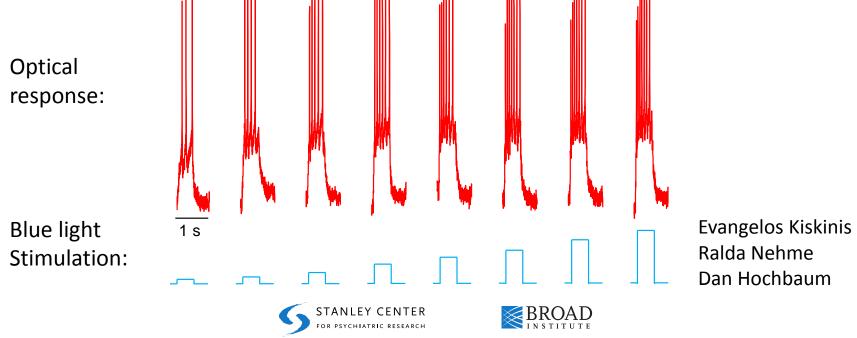




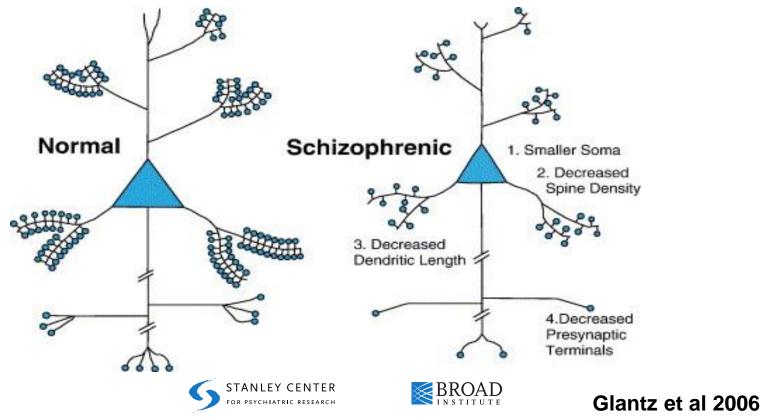








The Challenge: Modeling Patients



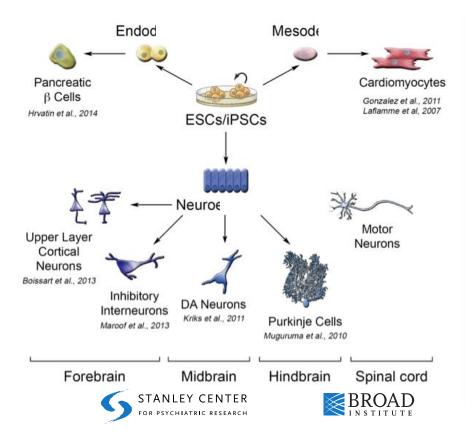
NGN2 Progress Report

- Show promising functionality, reproducibility.
- Good substrate for studying emerging genes.
- Goal: move from characterization to making rugged assays for interrogating gene function.
- Carry out similarly extensive characterization of "interneuron" preparations in 2015.

Hotter Colder/Up Down

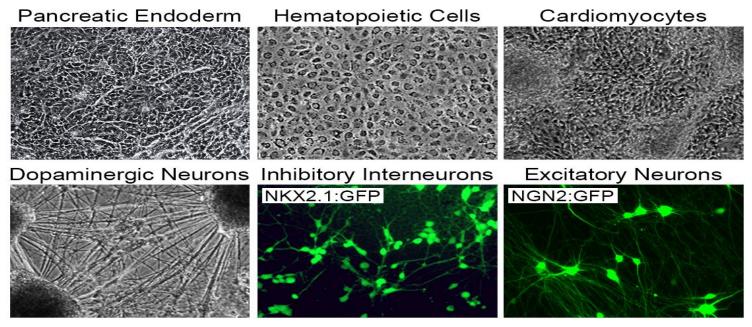
- Determine whether given cell types are particularly burdened by expression of emerging genes.
- Determine the magnitude and sign of effects of regulatory variants across cell types and states of maturation.

A Menagerie of Human Cell Types



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Quantified outcomes



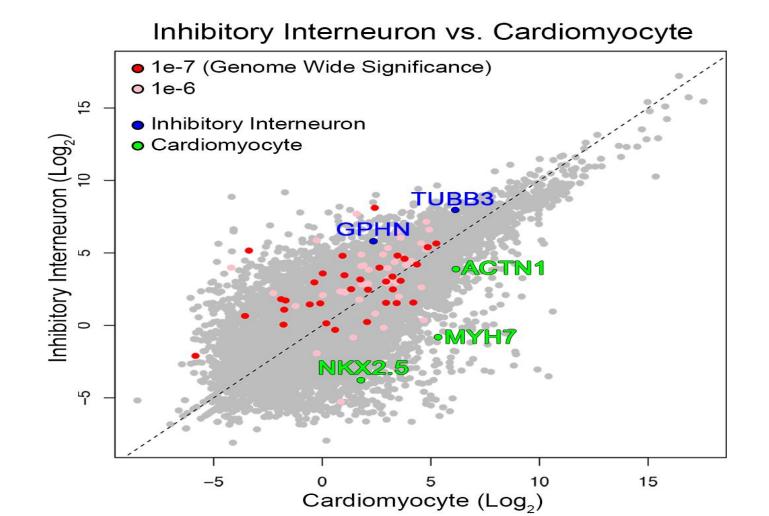
-RT-PCR, immunostaining quantification for key differentiation indicators

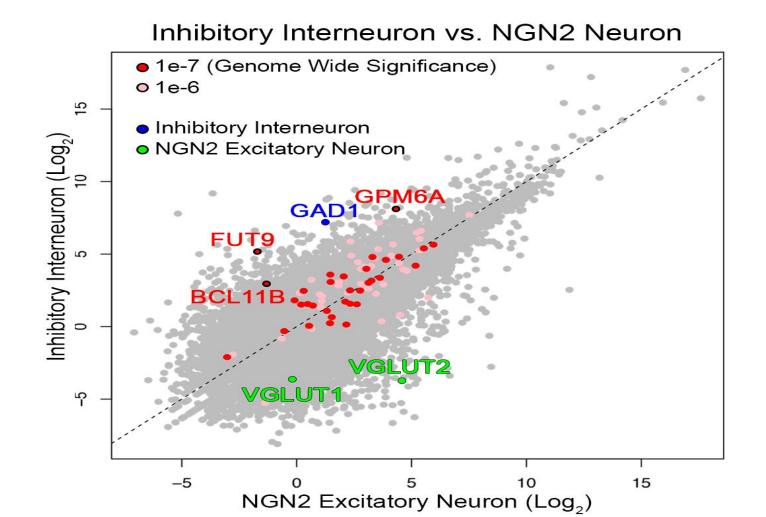
Mapping a Calcium Channel: 4 3 2 1 0 Brain Stem cells Neuronal types

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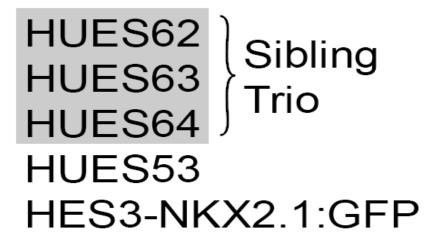


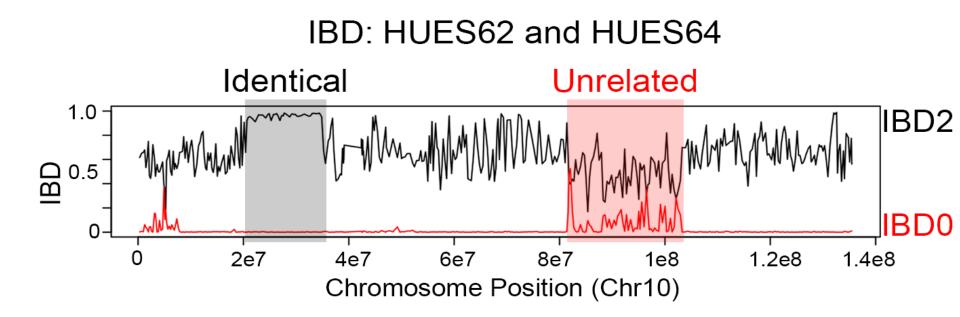






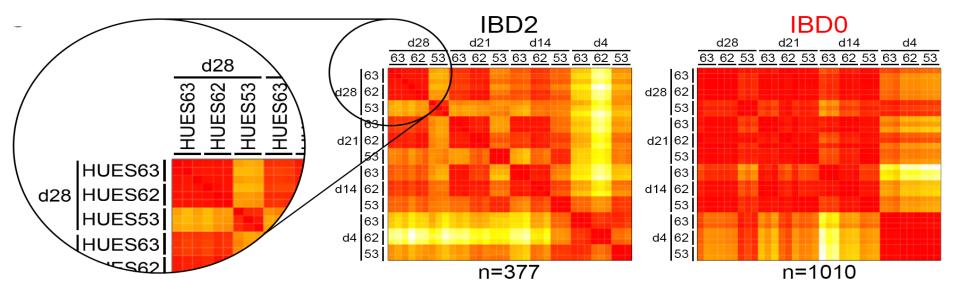
Initial focus on 5 cell lines





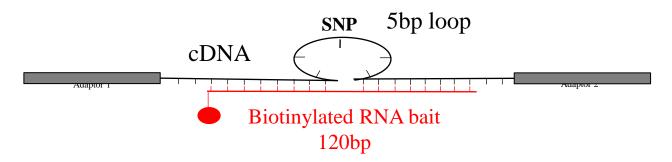
Transcription More Correlated in Regions of Identity

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Further directions

• Look at allelic skew to detect regulatory effects more sensitively with HetSeq enrichment



- Establish Direction of skew
- *in silico* phasing of sibling genome sequences
- *in vitro* phasing via single-haplotype limiting dilution in droplets (collaboration with X10)

Hotter Colder/Up Down Progress

- >400 RNA and het seq libraries in process.
- Initial focus has been on population seq to understand sample quality and composition.
- Het seq initiated.
- Need environment to share emerging data.

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