Breakout Session



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Base editing provides a more precise strategy



Perform programmable editing of a target base in genome by deamination without double-stranded DNA cleavage.

Komor et al. Nature 2016; Gaudelli et al. Nature 2017

Base pair changes required to model naturally-occurring human SNPs



Current editable naturally-occurring human SNPs

| PAM | Corrected by ABE | Precise correction by ABE (10.5%) | Corrected by CBE | Precise correction by CBE (11.9%) |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Total | 126,225,392 (100%) | 58,434,362 (100%) | 122,110,677 (100%) | 66,062,154 (100%) |
| NG (xCas9/SpCas9-NG) | 111,793,856 (88.6%) | 50,642,619 (86.7%) | 106,222,425 (87.0%) | 55,003,882 (83.3%) |
| NGG (SpCas9) | 36,118,948 (28.6%) | 15,657,121 (26.8%) | 31,682,039 (25.9%) | 15,035,152 (22.8%) |
| NGA (VQR SpCas9) | 44,155,390 (35.0%) | 16,213,326 (27.7%) | 45,180,539 (37.0%) | 21,815,188 (33.0%) |
| NGAG (EQR SpCas9) | 14,192,236 (11.2%) | 5,208,662 (8,9%) | 13,033,871 (10.7%) | 6,175,091 (9.3%) |
| NGCG (VRER SpCas9) | 2,240,558 (1.8%) | 977,152 (1.7%) | 1,667,471 (1.4%) | 673,810 (1.0%) |
| NNNRRT (KKH SaCas9) | 46,024,868 (36.5%) | 17,655,489 (30.2%) | 54,115,184 (44.3%) | 26,168,072 (39.6%) |
| NNGRRT (SaCas9) | 11,402,588 (9.0%) | 4,744,162 (8.1%) | 12,468,625 (10.2%) | 5,973,411 (9.0%) |

Precise correction: only 1 editable base in edit window (from positions 4 to 7 for ABE, or 4 to 8 for CBE) (22.4%)

Base pair changes required to correct pathogenic human SNPs



Current editable pathogenic human SNPs

| PAM | Corrected by ABE | Precise correction by ABE (21.5%) | Corrected by CBE | Precise correction by CBE (4.1%) |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Total | 10,636 (100%) | 6,810 (100%) | 3,437 (100%) | 1,312 (100%) |
| NG (xCas9/SpCas9-NG) | 9,806 (92.2%) | 6,148 (90.3%) | 3,183 (92.6%) | 1,140 (86.9%) |
| NGG (SpCas9) | 3,853 (36.2%) | 2,357 (34.6%) | 1,236 (36.0%) | 383 (29.2%) |
| NGA (VQR SpCas9) | 3,524 (33.1%) | 1,916 (28.1%) | 1,395 (40.6%) | 416 (31.7%) |
| NGAG (EQR SpCas9) | 1,139 (10.7%) | 611 (9.0%) | 446 (13.0%) | 116 (8.8%) |
| NGCG (VRER SpCas9) | 394 (3.7%) | 235 (3.5%) | 178 (5.2%) | 51 (3.9%) |
| NNNRRT (KKH SaCas9) | 3,311 (31.1%) | 1,786 (26.2%) | 1,287 (37.4%) | 425 (32.4%) |
| NNGRRT (SaCas9) | 846 (8.0%) | 439 (6.4%) | 319 (9.3%) | 102 (7.8%) |

Precise correction: only 1 editable base in edit window (from positions 4 to 7 for ABE, or 4 to 8 for CBE) (25.6%)

Challenges for BE

- Delivery
- Detection

Preparation



Belivery
Base-editing product purity
Generation of indels
Off-target editing

- Editing window and bystander edits

Yin et al. Nat Rev Drug Dis. 2017, 16: 387-399. Rees & Liu. Nat Rev Genet. 2018, 19(12): 770-788.

To improve BE



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To test different delivery strategies



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To develop different detections & analysis



Tripronuclear embryos

Individual blastomere

To develop base editing platforms





THANK YOU

