

Nanopore Sequencing for Real-Time Pathogen Identification

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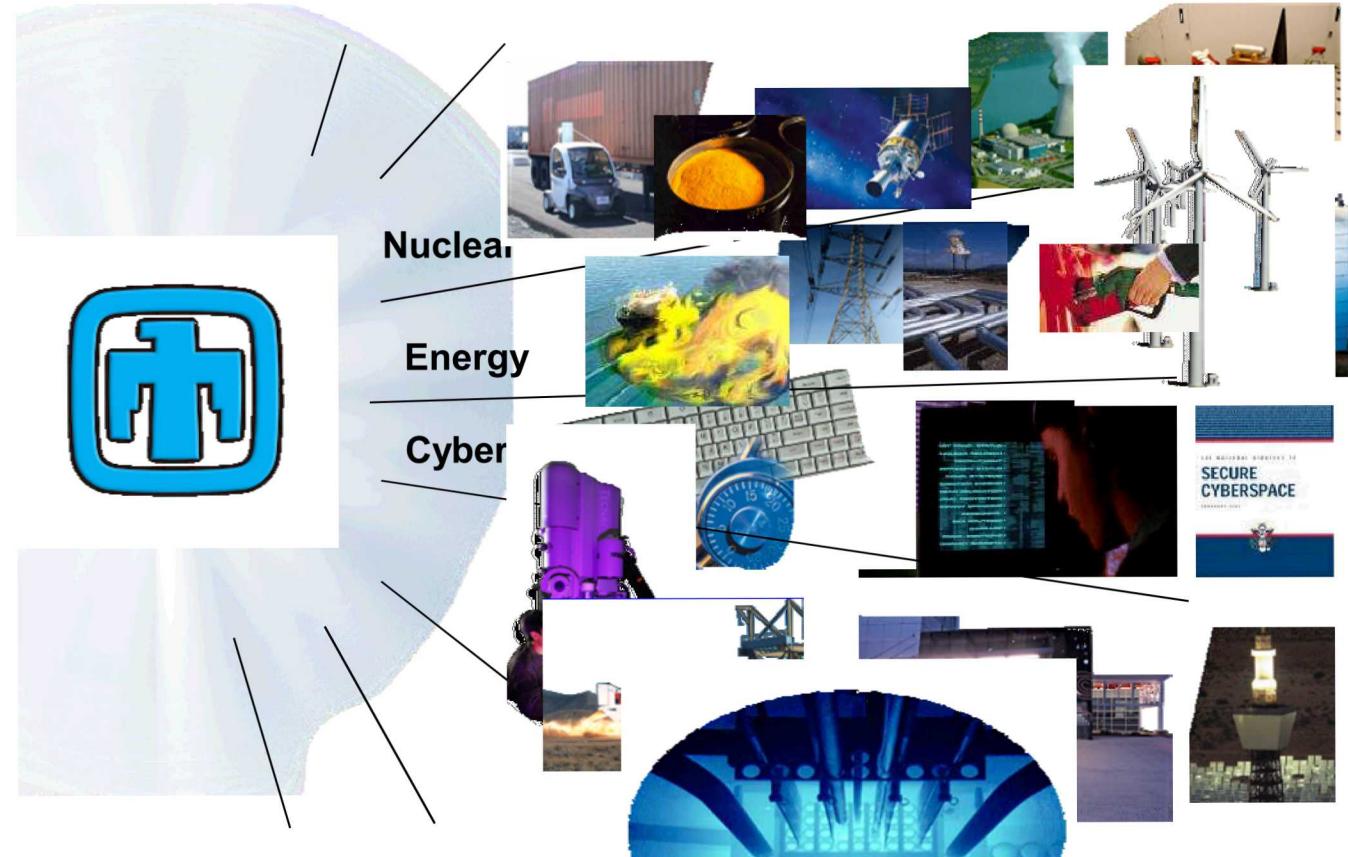
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Outline



- What is Nanopore sequencing?
- Applications
- Issues with sample & library preparation
- Solution – Automated library prep (ASPIRE)
- Future direction

Sandia National Labs- Focus Areas



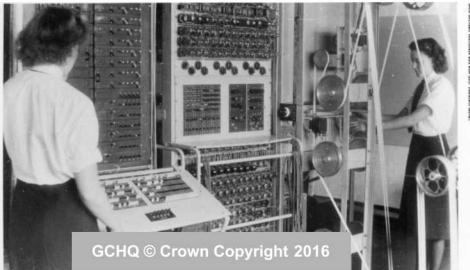
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 - Biological threat assessment, detection, restoration, forensics and agricultural protection
- Military force protection
 - DoD seeks solutions in detection, protection, pretreatments, therapeutics, and diagnostics
- Human health and emerging infectious diseases
 - Early diagnosis and medical counter-measures against pandemic and emerging infectious diseases



Complete Sample-to-Answer systems
for rapid actionable information

Evolution of sequencing



1st Gen/ Sanger



2nd Gen / NGS Illumina, Roche...



3rd Gen / MinION...



3rd Gen vs. 2nd Gen

	MinION	MiSeq
Size	80 cc	200,000 cc
Weight	0.103 kg	57.2 kg
Cost	\$1k	\$125k
Read Length	300 kilo bp	2 x 300 bp
Amplification Required	No	Yes
Selective Sequencing	Yes- <i>ReadUntil</i>	No
Accuracy	<90% (Q10)	>70% bases@99% (Q30)



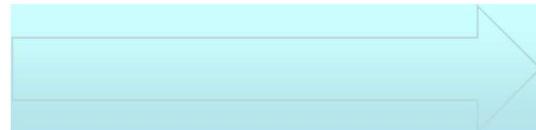
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“Democratization” of sequencing

3rd Gen / MinION ...



- ✓ Personalized Diagnostics
- ✓ Water testing
- ✓ Food safety
- ✓ Environmental monitoring
- ✓ Forensics
- ✓ Biodefence

Significant interest in 3rd Gen Sequencing



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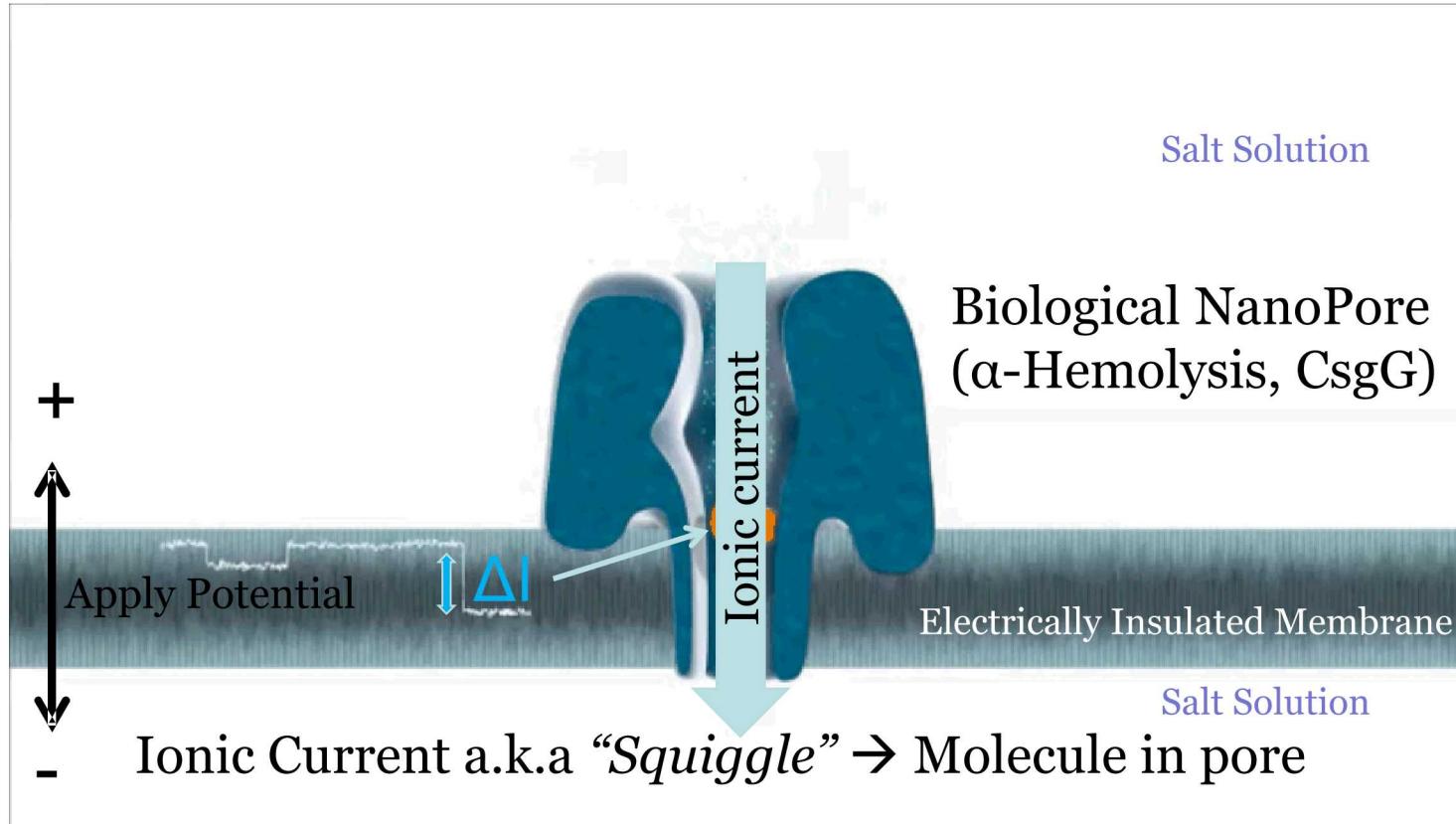
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MinION Sequencer-In the Field...



- Ebola¹ & Zika virus surveillance²



Zika in Brazil Real-Time Analysis
(ZiBRA) traveling laboratory
(Berman, www.voanews.com, June 8, 2016)



Credits: Tommy Trenchard (c) European Mobile Laboratories

1. Quick, Joshua, et al. *Nature* (2016)
2. Quick, Joshua, et al. *bioRxiv* (2017)

MinION Sequencer-In Extreme environments..



- Remote sequencing
 - Antarctica & Artic Glacier (78° N)¹



Credits: Arwyn Edwards



Credits: Sarah Johnson, Georgetown University

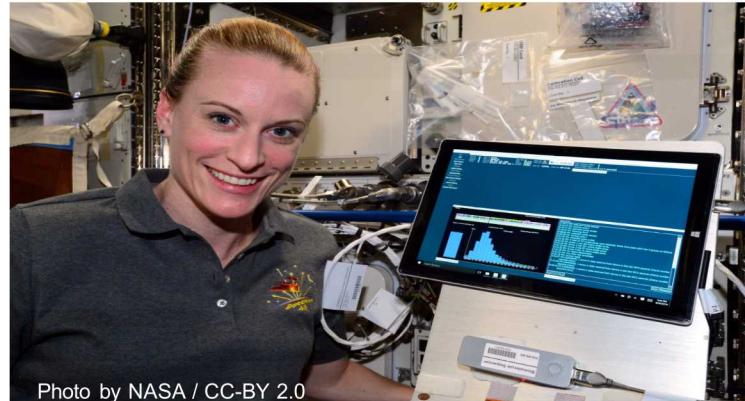
1. Edwards, Arwyn, et al. bioRxiv (2016)

MinION Sequencer-.....and in Space!



ISS

- Remote sequencing
 - International Space Station
 - 62 feet below the Atlantic Ocean



NASA Aquarius Reef Base,
Extreme Environment Mission
Operations, Atlantic Ocean

Sample prep– Still not portable



<100 grams (MinION)

Vs.

“50 kg of standard airline travel luggage”¹



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Supplementary Table 1: Field Metagenomics Lab Equipment

Hardware

- MinION mk1 device
- Laptop with minKNOW & Metabat
- 4TB Hard Drive
- microcentrifuge
- IKA Vortex/beadbeater device & cardboard wedge
- Qubit microfluorimeter & protocol
- Pocket scales
- Multipipet
- UK EU electrical adapters
- Hybrid OmnipPCR cycler
- NEB foam rack for Eppendorfs

Pipetors

- P2 pipettor
- P10 pipettor
- P20 pipettor
- P200 pipettor x2
- P1000 pipettor x2

Consumables

- Gloves, L box
- Gloves, S box
- Duct tape
- parafilm
- LoBind Eppendorf tubes 2x bag

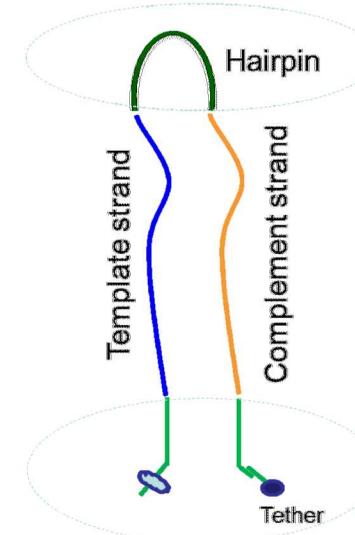
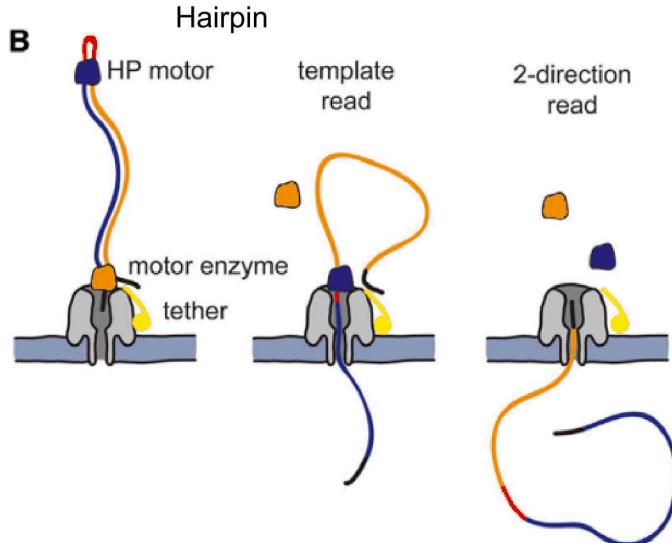
Portable Sample prep!



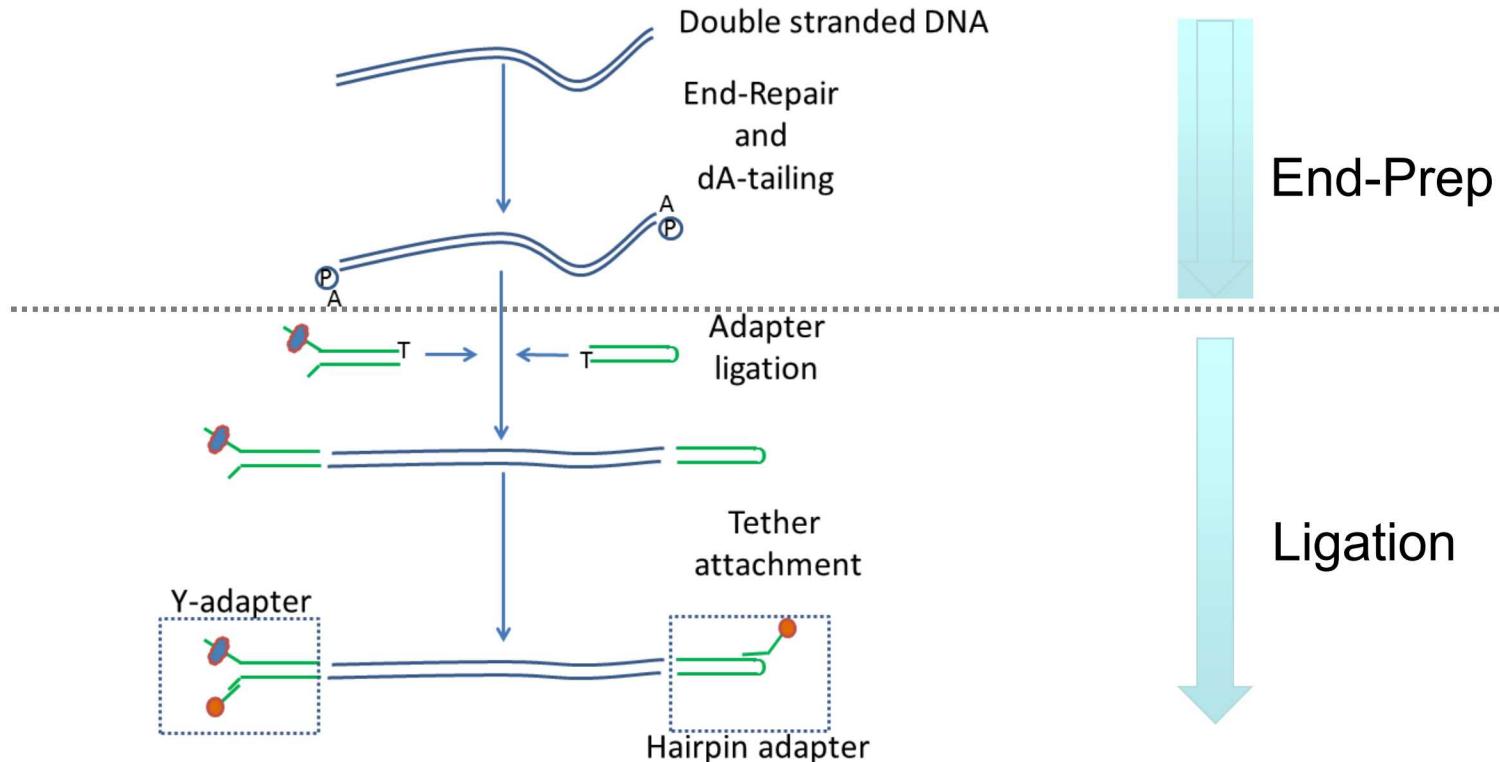
MinION Sequencer-Sample preparation



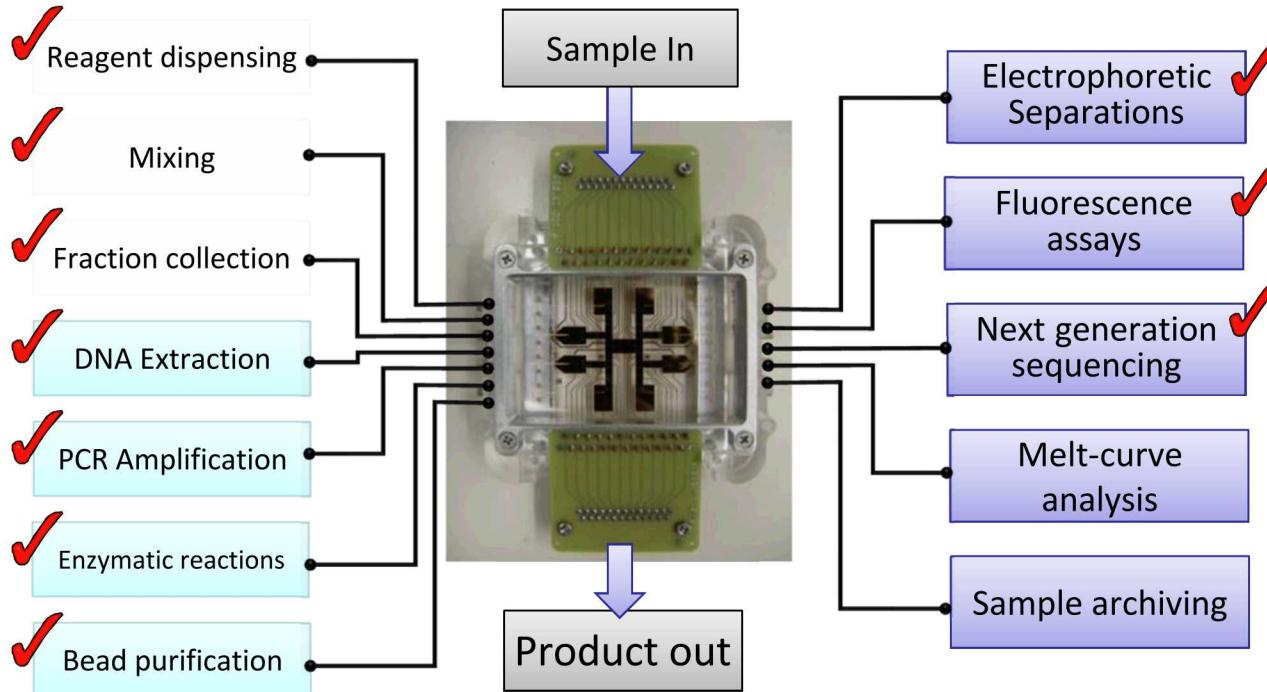
- Sample prep = DNA extraction + **Library prep**
- **Library prep** = DNA → *Sequencer compatible* DNA



MinION-Library prep



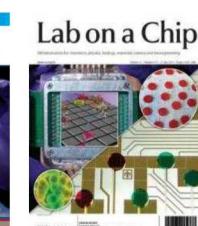
Sample prep Automation @ Sandia leveraging Digital Microfluidics (DMF)



M. Bartsch et al.
US8,940,147 2015



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R&D 100, 2012



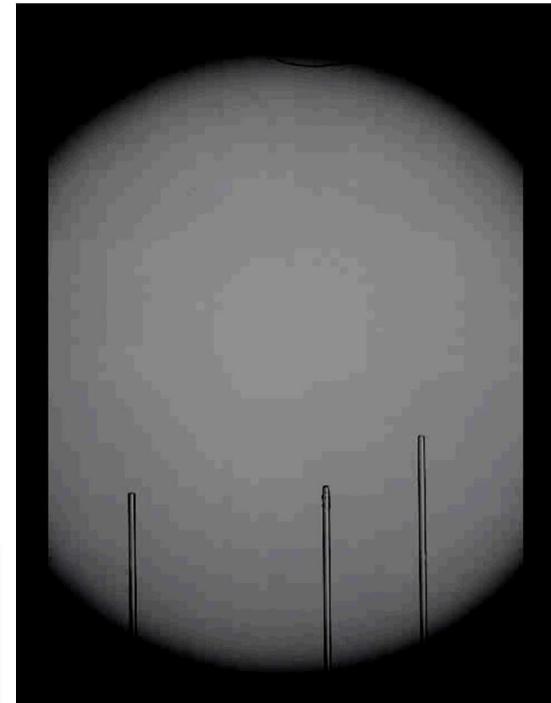
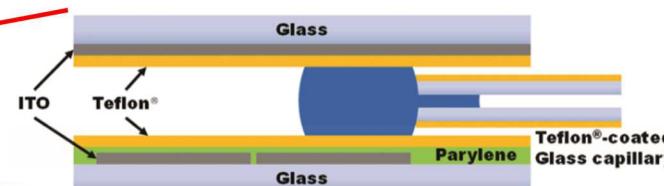
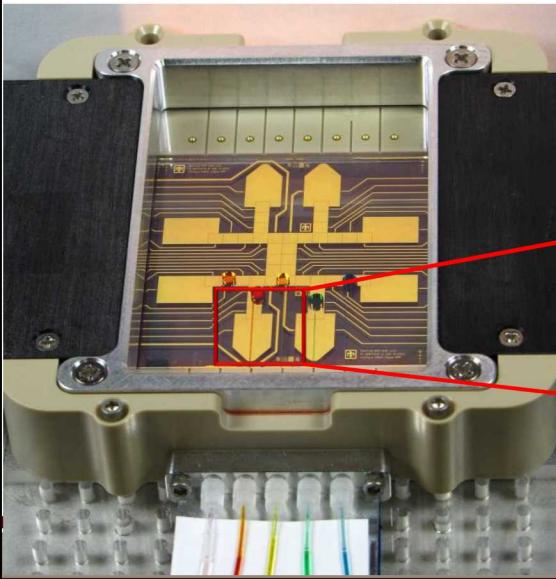
DMF allows configurability & connectivity for versatile operation

DMF is a central fluidic router for interfacing modules

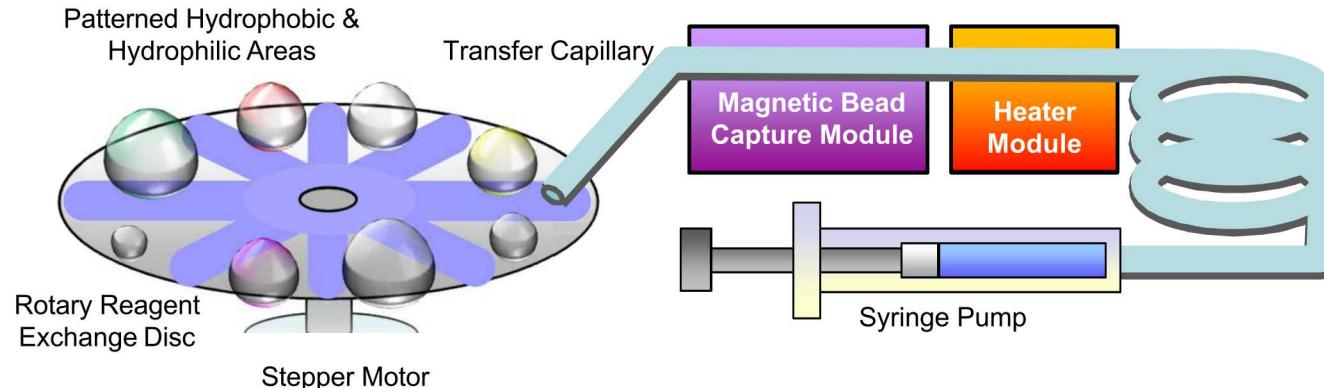


- Capillary tubing offers a unified interface for all modules
- Programmable discrete manipulations of droplets
- Automation of *Illumina Nextera* library prep¹

Sandia DMF Hub



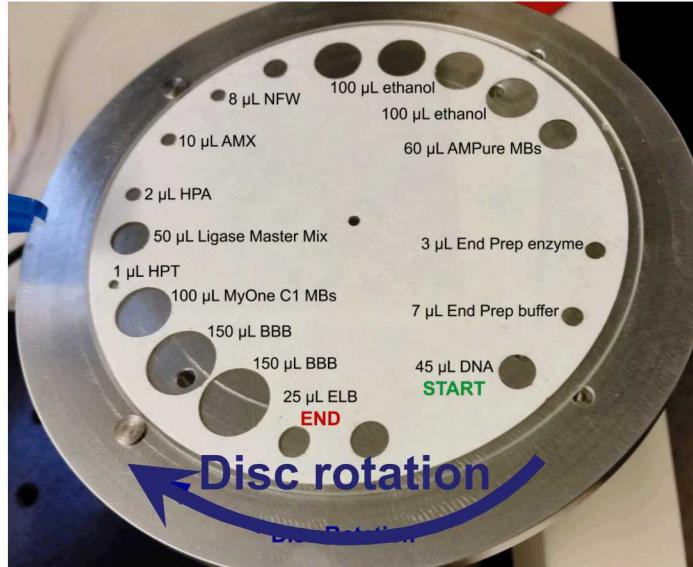
ASPIRE- central fluidic router for interfacing modules



ASPIRE -Automated Sample Preparation by Indexed Rotary Exchange

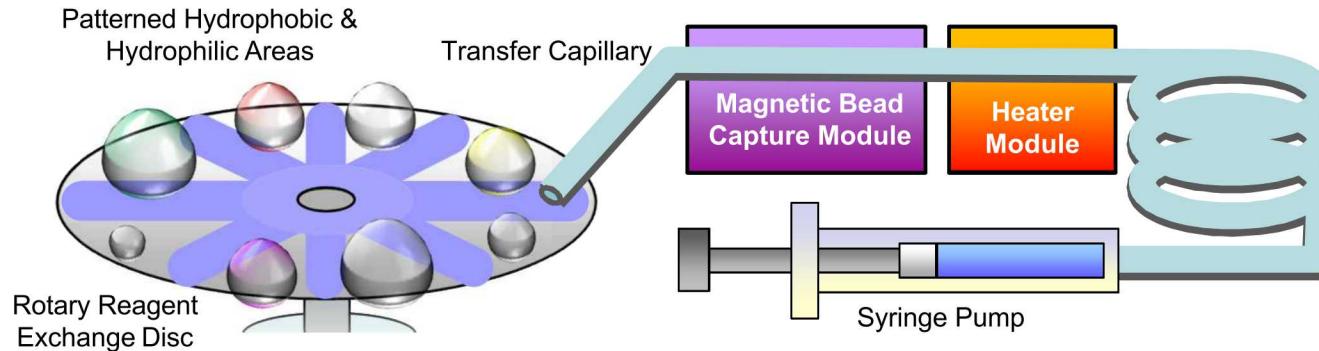
- ✓ Simplified design
 - No clean room fabrication or complex assembly
 - Disk & PFA tubing → Inexpensive, disposable components

ASPIRE- central fluidic router for interfacing modules



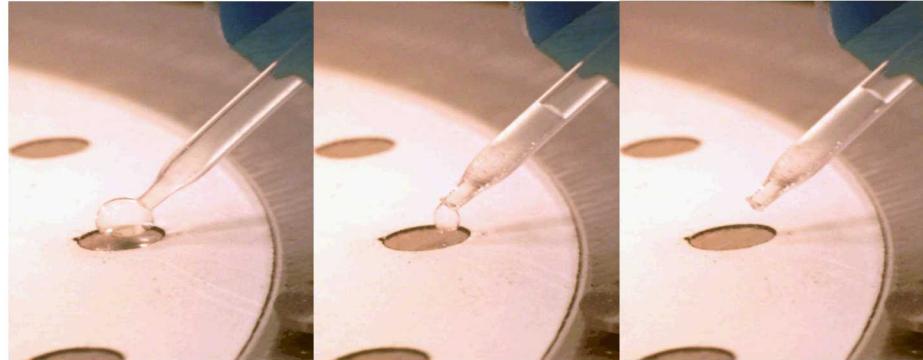
- ✓ Reagents pre-loaded at defined location on hydrophobic disk

ASPIRE- central fluidic router for interfacing modules



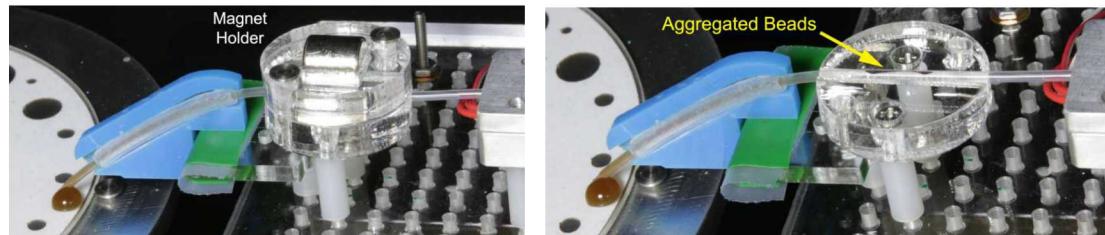
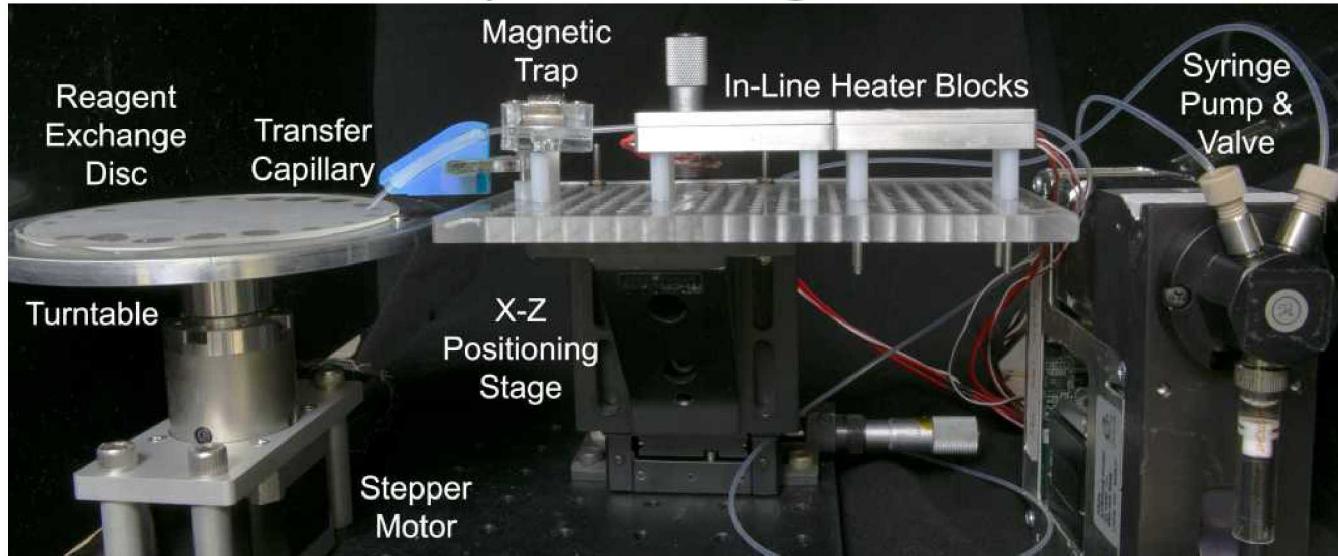
- ✓ Disc rotation brings droplets into contact sequentially with transfer capillary
- ✓ In-line magnetic bead trap, heater blocks, phase-change material for cooling
- ✓ Mixing → dispensing - aspirating from/to disk

ASPIRE- Schematic



- ✓ Hydrophobic disc → Repeatable droplet pickup
- ✓ Hydrophilic zones → Waste dispensing
- ✓ Low Reynolds number laminar flow regime preserves long DNA strands
- ✓ Automate library prep operations
 - ✓ Mix, magnetic bead capture/wash/elution, sample heating, cooling

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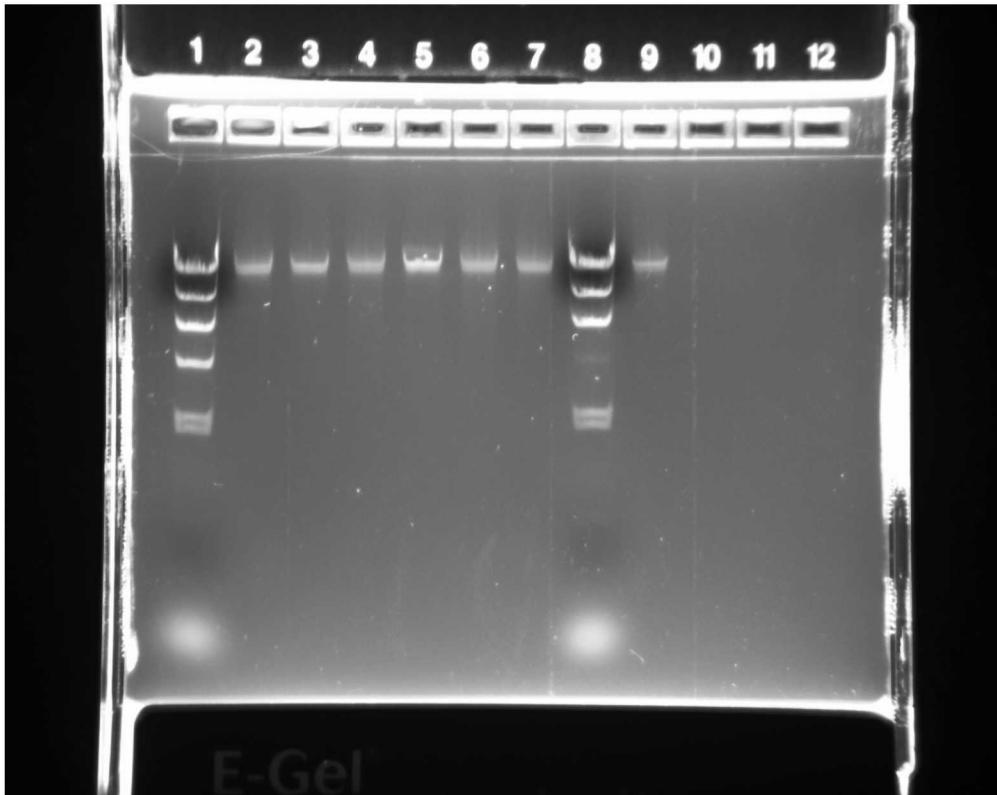
Magnetic bead capture/elution

ASPIRE-Working



2D Prep-Video.mp4

ASPIRE- Preserves integrity of High MW DNA



Lane 1 & 8: DNA ladder.

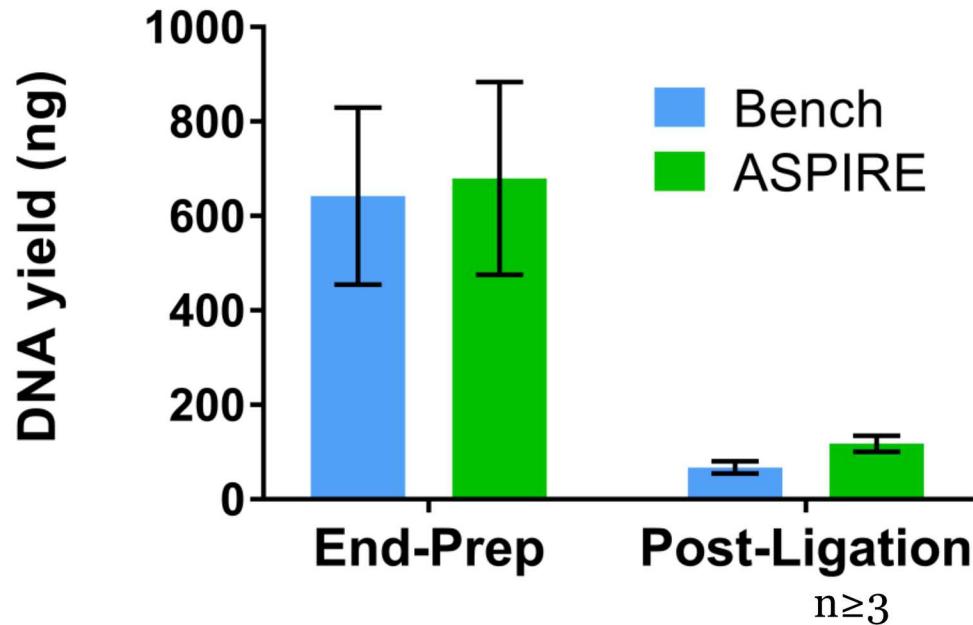
Lane 2 & 9: λ phage DNA (control)- 48,500 bp.

Lane 3-7: λ phage DNA subject to 10, 20, 40, 80 & 120 cycles.

ASPIRE- Comparable DNA yield w.r.t Bench



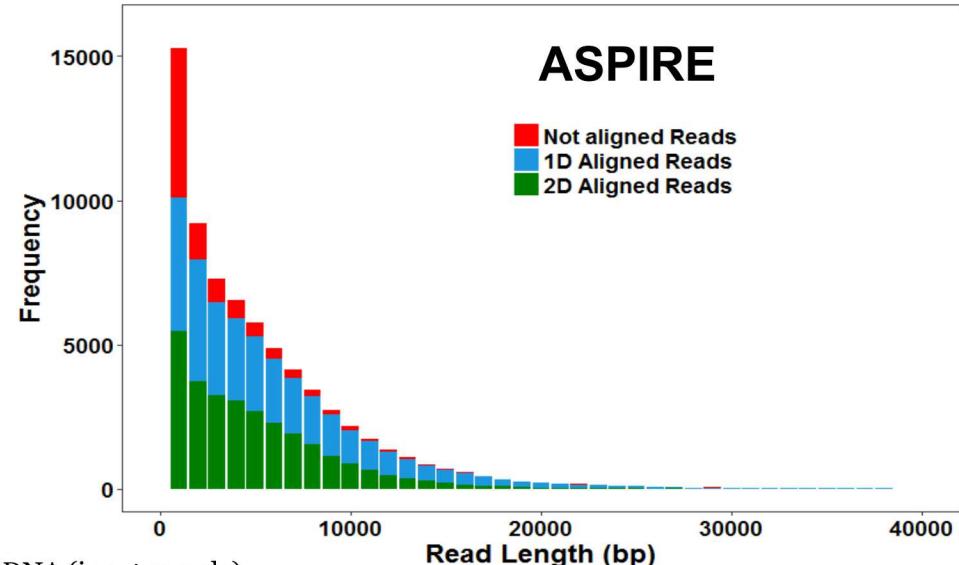
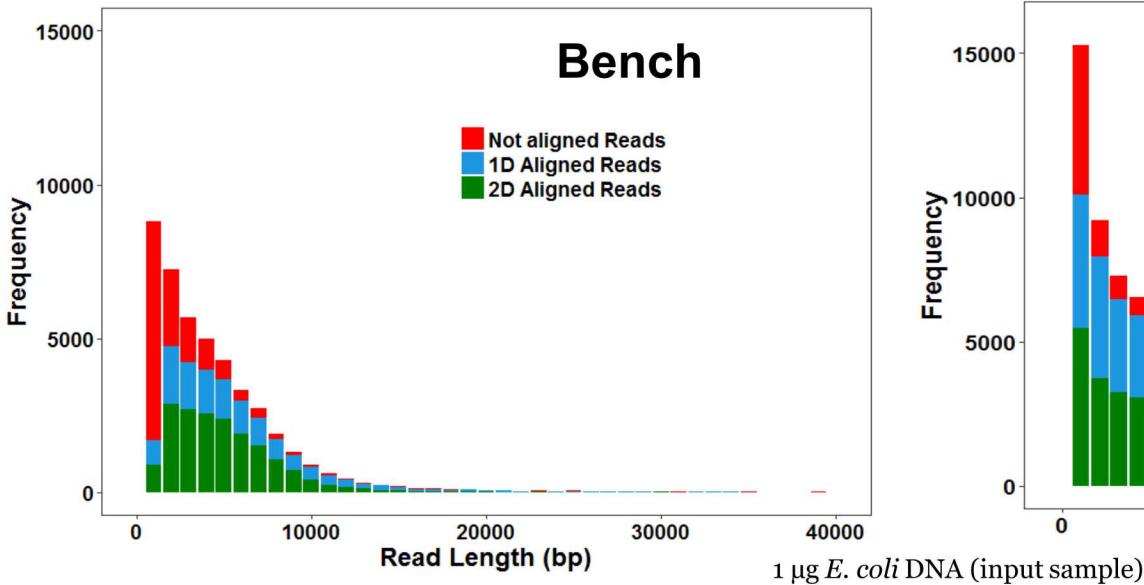
- ✓ ASPIRE platform as consistent as manual Benchtop methods



ASPIRE- Sequencing Results- *E. coli* DNA



- ✓ ASPIRE platform as consistent as manual Benchtop methods



ASPIRE- Sequencing Results



	Sample	No. of 2D pass reads (Q-score>9)	Mean read length (bp)	Maximum read length (bp)	Percent Alignment
ASPIRE	λ phage	27,733	7055	35601	99.06%
ASPIRE	<i>E. coli</i>	27,467	4496	48520	98.43%
Bench	<i>E. Coli</i>	15,941	4520	56321	99.15%

ASPIRE- Conclusion & Future work

- Automate 2D prep for field-portable sequencers
- Preserves long DNA strands
- As consistent as bench operation
- 99% alignment (λ phage)
- Simple, disposable components
- Semi-automated operation
- Same volume of reagents as in bench protocol
 - No need to scale down volumes



Future Work

- Current prototype can be miniaturized (syringe pump & rotary actuator)
- Automate placement of magnet & phase change material
- Lyophilized reagents, disposable cartridge/tubing
- Integrate sample preparation

Thank you...



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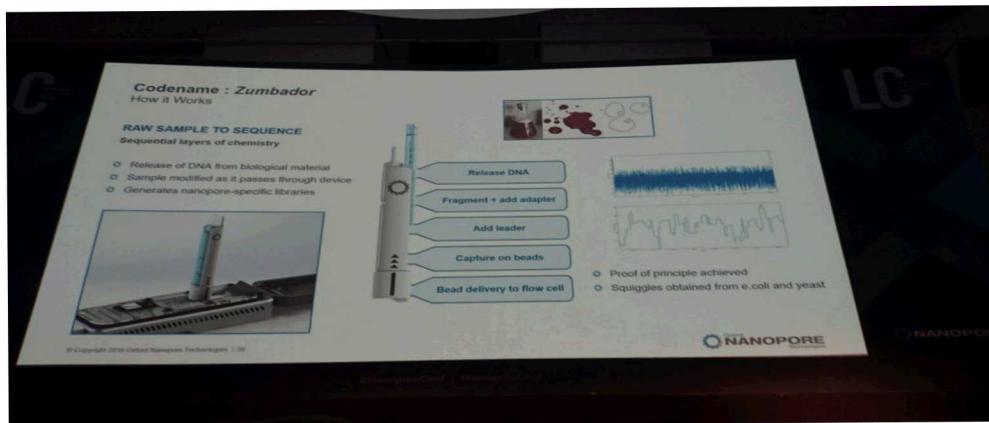
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Sample prep



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