Integrated short and long read single cell RNA-sequencing reveals cell type specific isoform expression and novel signature of ageing in haematopoietic stem cell and progenitors

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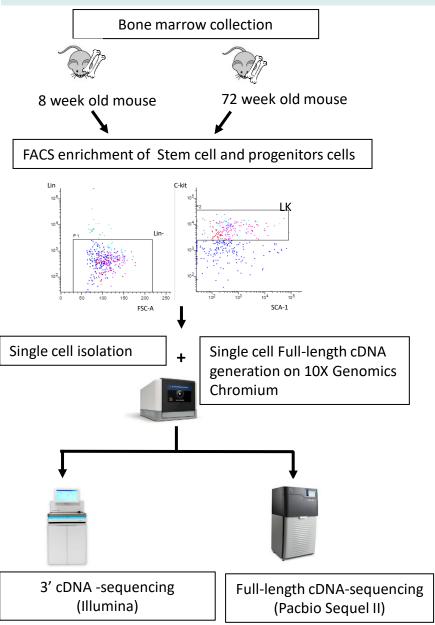
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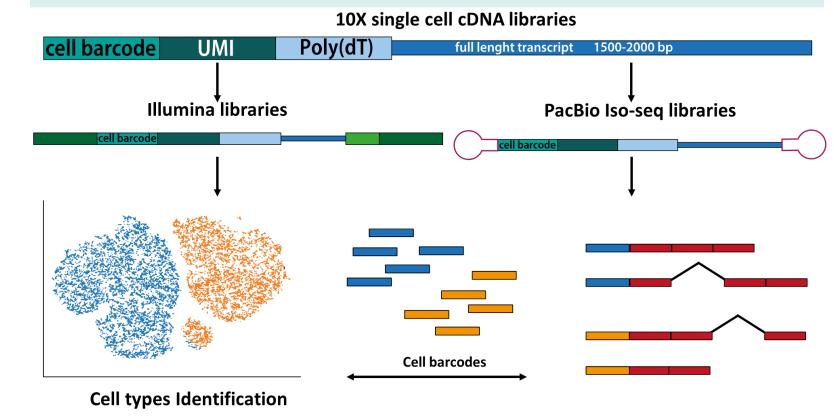


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Stem and progenitor cells (Lineage negative, cKit+) were isolated from young and aged mice.



Full length cell-barcoded cDNA was produced using 10X genomics platform and then used for standard Illumina sequencing (short-read) and parallel PacBio sequencing (long-read).





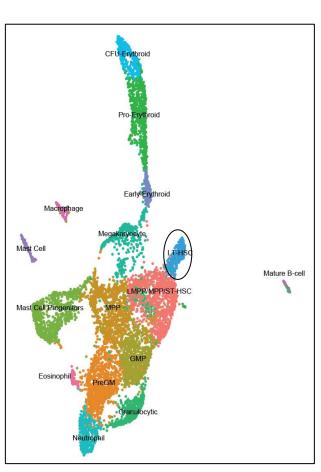
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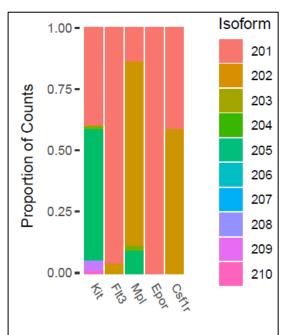
Short-read analysis identified cell type clusters corresponding to stem and progenitor cell types.

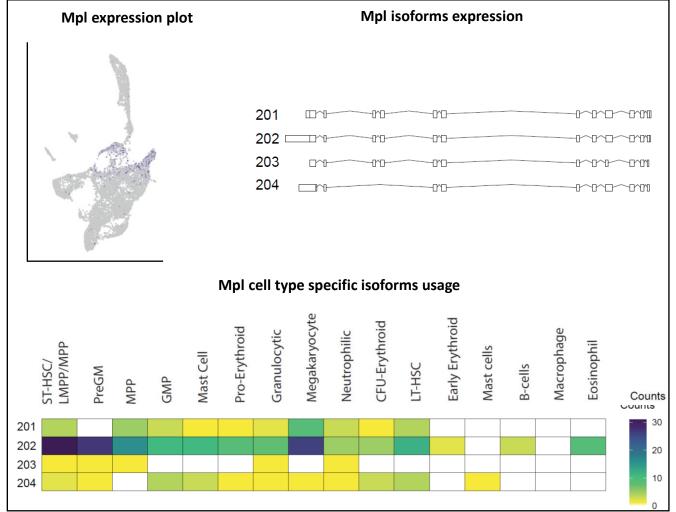
Long-read analysis revealed multi-isoform expression of key regulators of hematopoiesis, such as cytokines.

Integration of short and long read data enabled assignment of AS isoforms to individual cells and cell-type clusters, revealing cell-type specific expression of isoforms with distinct functional domain.

Here we show cell type specific usage of functionally distinct isoforms of the thrombopoietin receptor, Mpl









Long read data described a pan-hematopoietic increase in noncoding transcripts including lncRNAs, and transcripts with retained introns

Normalised Log2 CPM

Signature of ageing

Show read data showed upregulation of (Sult1a1and Nupr1) as well as un-expected upregulation of Igkc transcripts in the stem cell subpopulation

Furthermore, long read data revealed that the *Igkc* arising from aged LT-HSC population consisted of fully VJ-recombined transcripts

