

Data Workshop 3

BABS4 (661) – Gene expression and biochemical interactions strand

Remember the key questions of this module:

- 1) Is there a **functional gam homologue** in *Haemophilus influenzae* (HiGam), and, if so,
- 2) Is HiGam part of a **non-canonical** competence response?



In these data practicals (data workshops 3 and 4) you will ask:

- a) How does gene expression change during **canonical** competence in Hi?
- b) What is the role (if any) of HiGam in this response?

You will analyse RNAseq counts data which will support your lab practicals

The data is from this publication:



RESEARCH ARTICLE

A competence-regulated toxin-antitoxin system in *Haemophilus influenzae*

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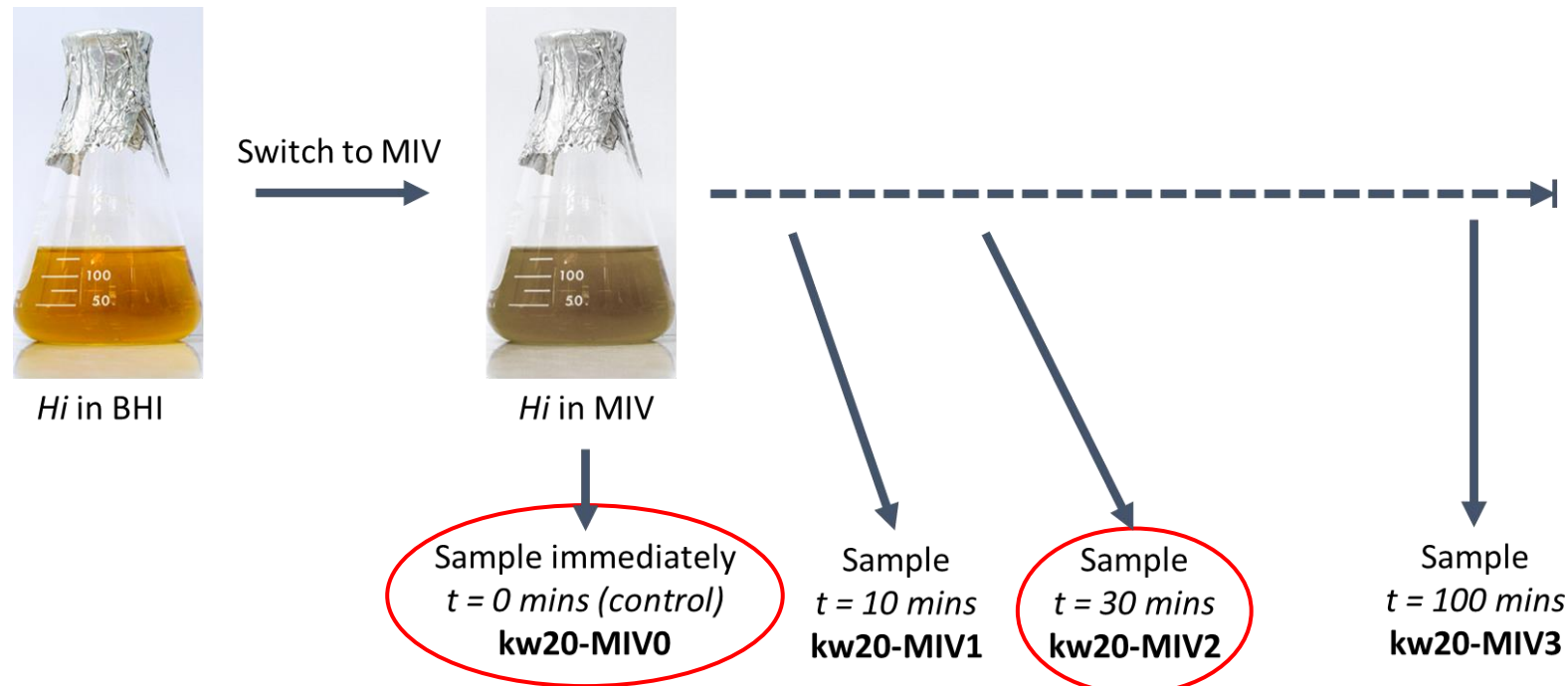
In RNAseq, counts refer to the number of reads which came from a gene

	Sample ₁	Sample ₂	...	Sample _n
Gene ₁	4200	3217	...	4231
Gene ₂	24	38	...	37
...
Gene _n	178	142	...	205

Our dataset has 33 samples and counts for 1745 gene features

- as a minimum you will analyse 6 of these samples
- analysing more will inform your understanding of competence in Hi

Wildtype Hi (*kw20* strain) grown in rich medium (BHI) then transferred to starvation medium (MIV), all in triplicate



Main focus on the $t=0$ (control) versus $t=30$ comparison

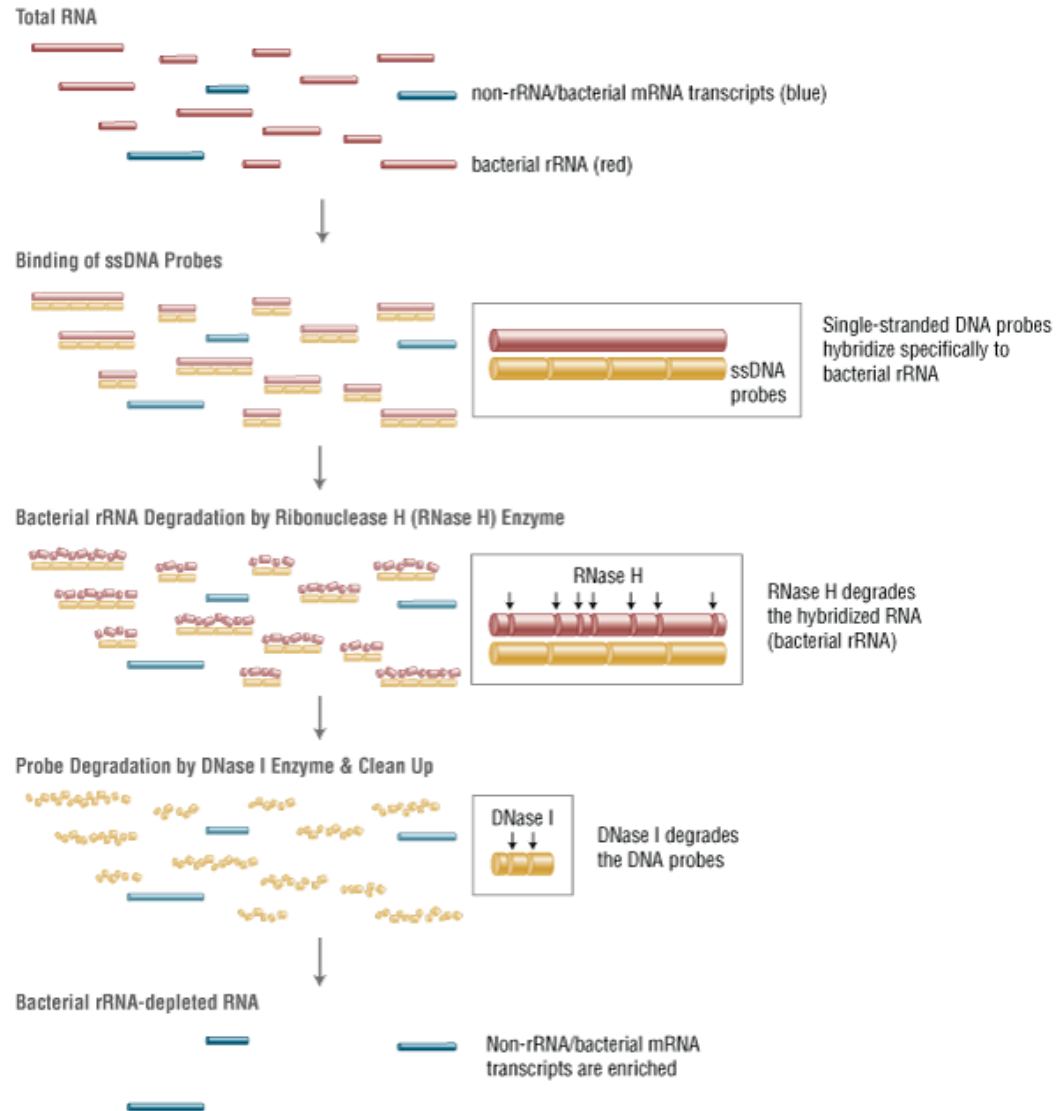
Condition	Strain	Media	OD ₆₀₀	time (mins)	replicates
kw20-BHI1	kw20	BHI	0.02	NA	-F,-G,-H
kw20-BHI2	kw20	BHI	0.60	NA	-F,-G,-H
kw20-BHI3	kw20	BHI	1.00	NA	-F,-G,-H
kw20-MIV0	kw20	MIV	0.25	0	-A,-B,-C
kw20-MIV1	kw20	MIV	0.25	10	-A,-B,-C
kw20-MIV2	kw20	MIV	0.25	30	-A,-B,-C
kw20-MIV3	kw20	MIV	0.25	100	-A,-B,-C
sxyx-MIV0	Sxy-	MIV	0.25	0	-A,-B,-D
sxyx-MIV1	Sxy-	MIV	0.25	10	-A,-B,-D
sxyx-MIV2	Sxy-	MIV	0.25	30	-A,-B,-D
sxyx-MIV3	Sxy-	MIV	0.25	100	-A,-B,-D

Competition?

Other timepoints?

Impact of competence regulatory mutant?

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Your dataset contains these transcript biotypes:

- protein-coding
- tRNA
- rRNA

rRNA is a technical leftover

- >90% of cellular RNA is rRNA

rRNA 'expression' in this dataset is **not quantitative**

rRNA \neq rpL or rpS genes

- these are ribosomal protein genes

Set up your RStudio Project *(remember that this is also assessed, not just the report)*

Load your libraries *(with any installations)*

Load and inspect your datasets

Normalise your data to get expression in transcripts per million (TPM)

Run Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Run differential expression analysis (DEA)

[Hi PRJNA293882 counts.tsv](#)

The RNAseq data. Tab separated data file. Sample names in the first row and feature names in the first column.

[Hi feature names.tsv](#)

Tab separated data file which links the Hi features IDs with known gene symbols (if possible).

[Hi feature locations.bed](#)

BED format file indicating locations of each feature in the Hi genome.

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