

## SOLiD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Data -2 Base Encoding

Sequencing by Oligonucleotide Ligation and Detection

## What is two base encoding?

- Rather than a probe, reading out the single base present at the $5^{\text {th }}$ position, a two base encoded probe tells us information about the $4^{\text {th }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ bases which needs further information to resolve the base call

- In order to do this we use the concept of color space


## Color Space - Capillary electrophoresis





## Color Space - SOLiD

 (single Base encoding)
(One Base encoding)

## Color Space - SOLiD

 (Dual Base encoding)

RGGOBGO OBGROBB $\xrightarrow{O O B O B G}$ $\xrightarrow{\text { BBRRRBO }}$


## record colors for each bead over consecutive cycles

## 2 Base Pair Encoding Using 4 Dyes

$2^{\text {nd }}$ Base



## Ball and Stick Model



## Consequences of 2 Base Pair Encoding

## $2^{\text {nd }}$ Base

- Detecting a single color does not indicate a base
- Each reading contains information from two bases
- To decode the bases you must know one of the bases in the sequence



## Example of decoding (i)



Cannot determine any of the bases

## Example of decoding (ii)



If know first base is an A then immediately it decodes $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ base. This must be an A as Blue translates $2^{\text {nd }}$ base $A$ if first base A

## Summary of decoding



## Advantages of 2 base pair encoding

- Double base interrogation eases the discrimination between system errors and true polymorphism


## ACGGTCGTCGTGTGCGT



Advantages of 2 base pair encoding Real SNP


Two color changes represent only a single mismatch to reference sequence (SNP)

Advantages of 2 base pair encoding Miscall
$A \cdot C \cdot G \cdot G \cdot T \cdot C \cdot G \cdot T \cdot C \cdot G \cdot T \cdot G \cdot T \cdot G \cdot C \cdot G \cdot T$ reference expected
A•C.G.G.T•C•G•C•T•A•C•A•C•A•T $\cdot A \cdot C$ observed

Single color change, represents sequencing error.


## But theres more...

only certain transitions are allowed for a real SNP

Consider a triplet of bases, they define 2 colors.


There are only 3 possibilities for a change in the middle base, hence only 3 possibilities for the 2 colors to change to.
Any of the other 6 possibilities for a 2-color change are not allowed and most probably represent measurement errors.

## The only allowed color changes

If two colors present (eg B,R)
-Reverse the colors (eg R, B)
-Use the other two colors, both combinations eg O,G and G,O

If only one color is present (eg $B, B$ )
-The three other color pairs (eg G,G or $R, R$, or 0,0 )

## The only allowed transitions



Reverse Colors
Other two colors (both orientations)
Any other transitions would require the outer two bases to change

## These two color changes are not allowed, as 2

 bases change



Allowed 3 colors changed


Allowed 2 colors changed acceptable "transition"


Not allowed 2 colors changed but a forbiden "transition"

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Align color space reads against color space reference


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SNP 2 colors change

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Reference
Incorrect call, single change in color space

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