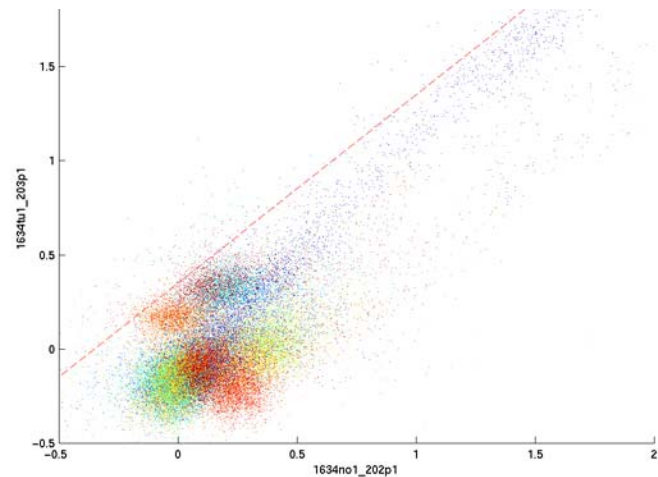


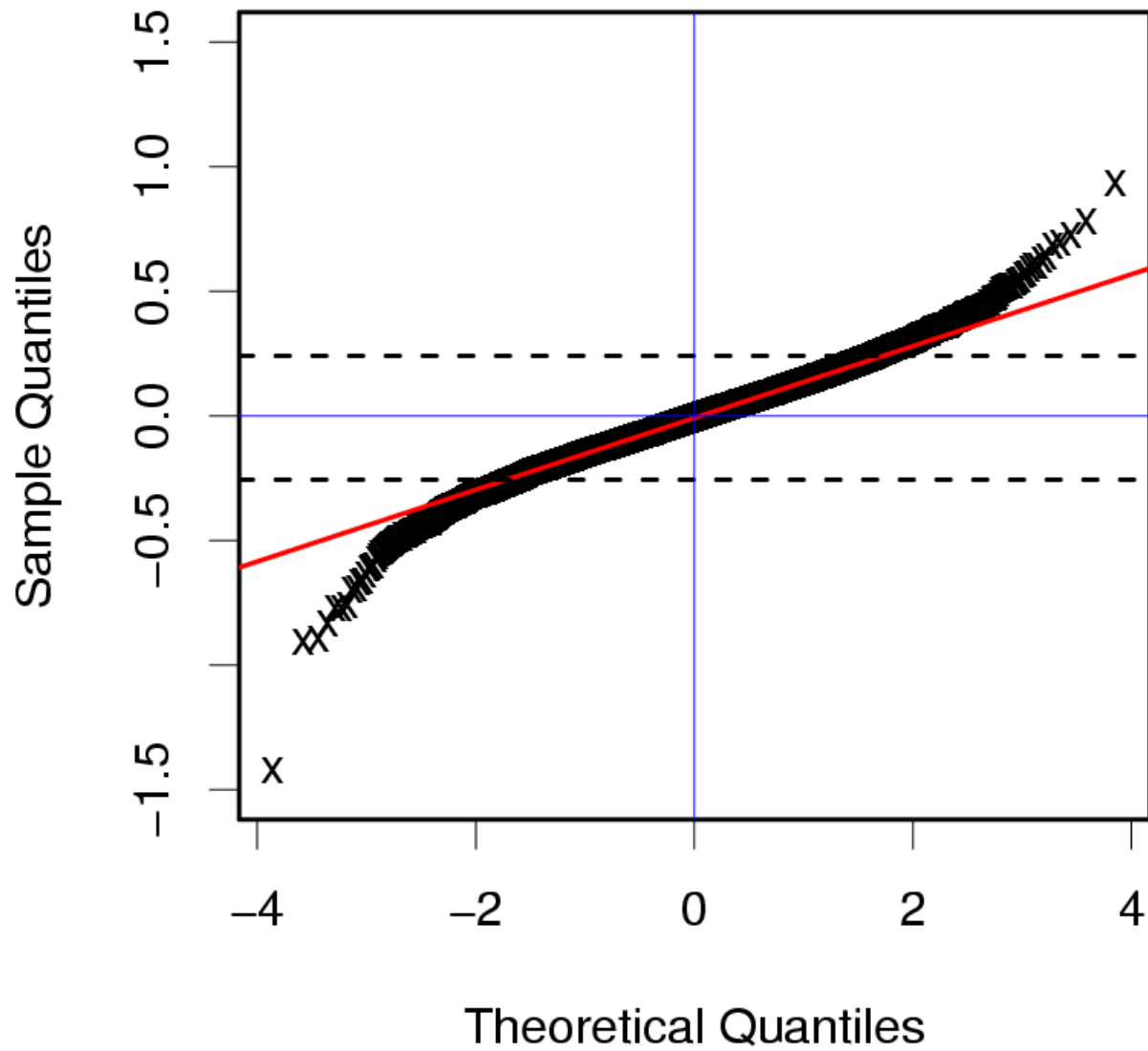
**Quality control: artifacts,  
visualization, QC as residual analysis**

**Further topics on preprocessing:  
probe set summaries, physics**

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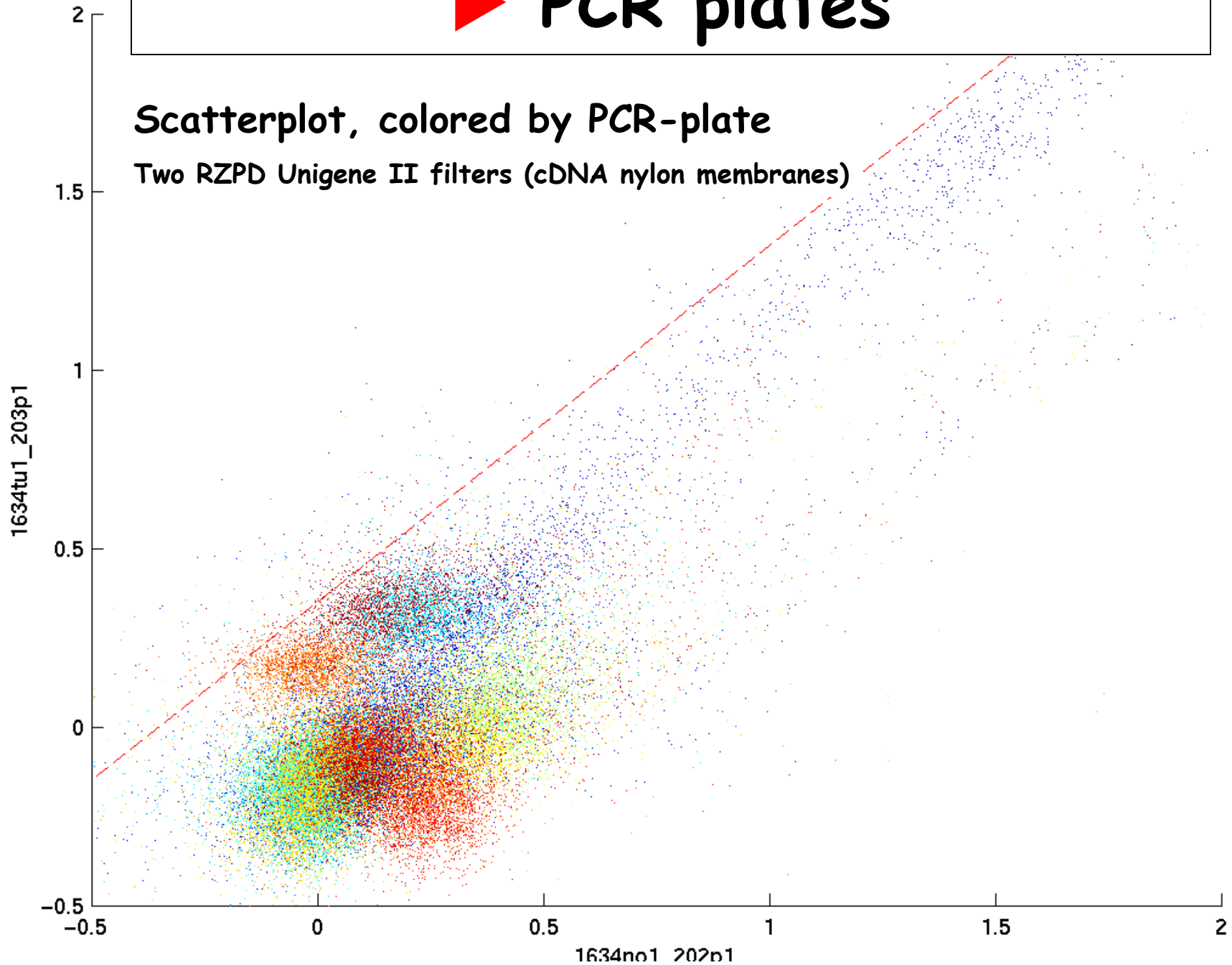
► **Normal QQ-plot**  
vsn-transformed data



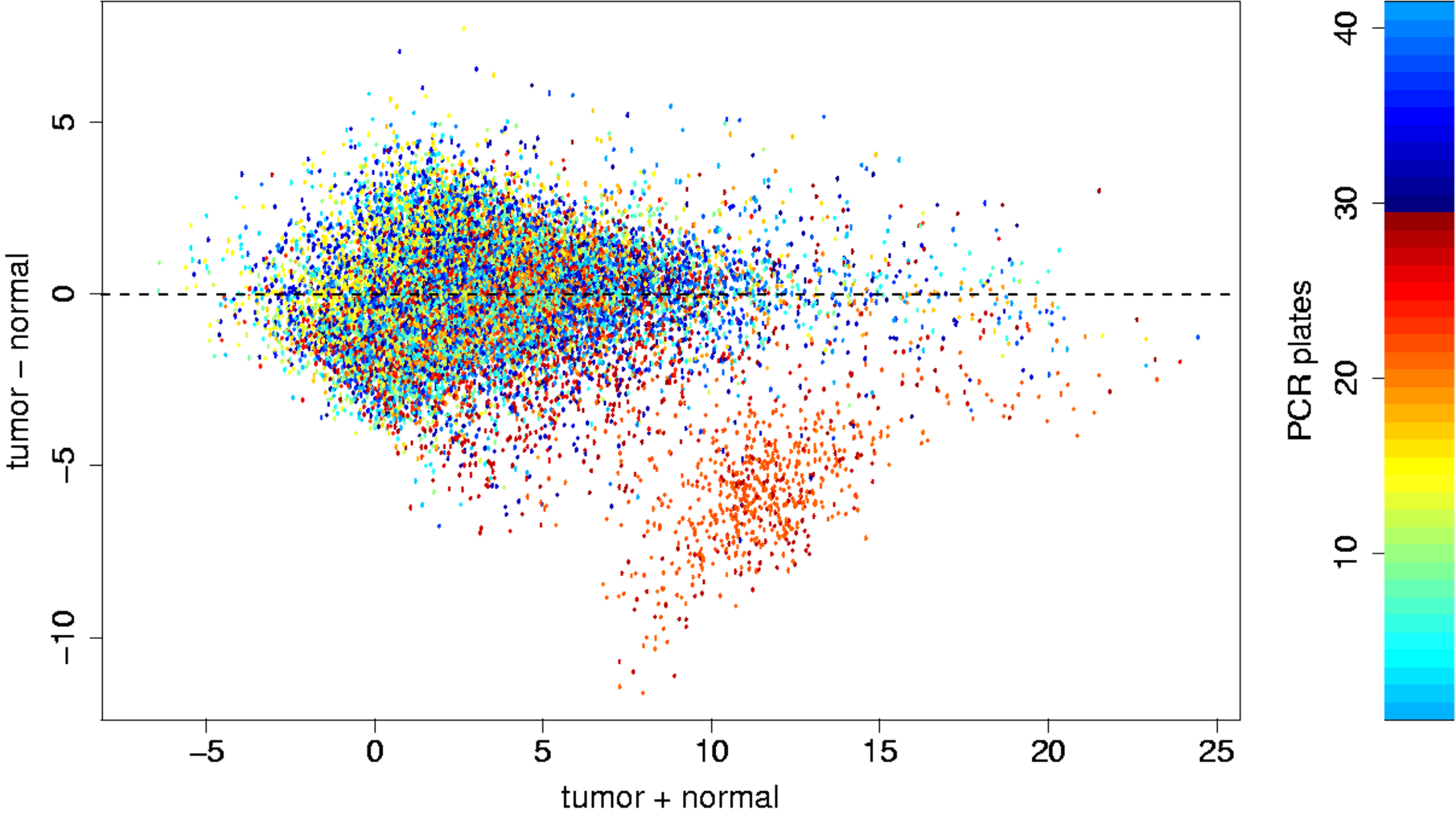
# ▶ PCR plates

Scatterplot, colored by PCR-plate

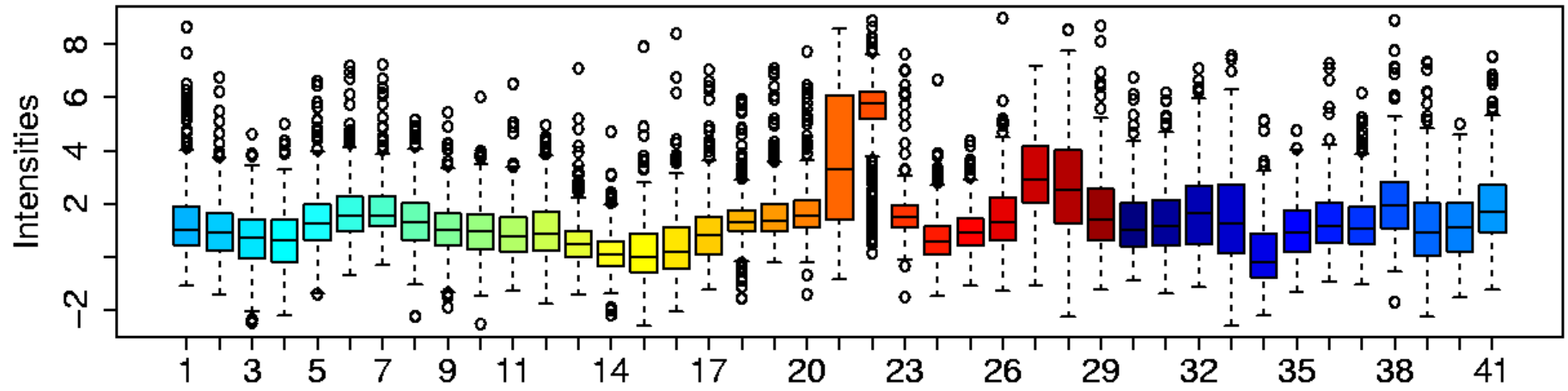
Two RZPD Unigene II filters (cDNA nylon membranes)



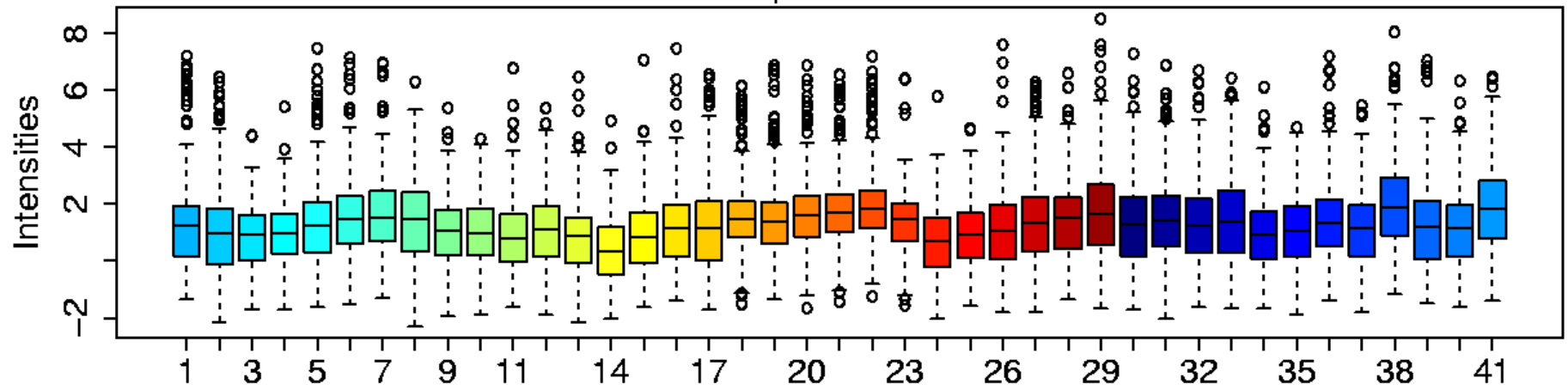
▶ PCR plates



# ► PCR plates: boxplots



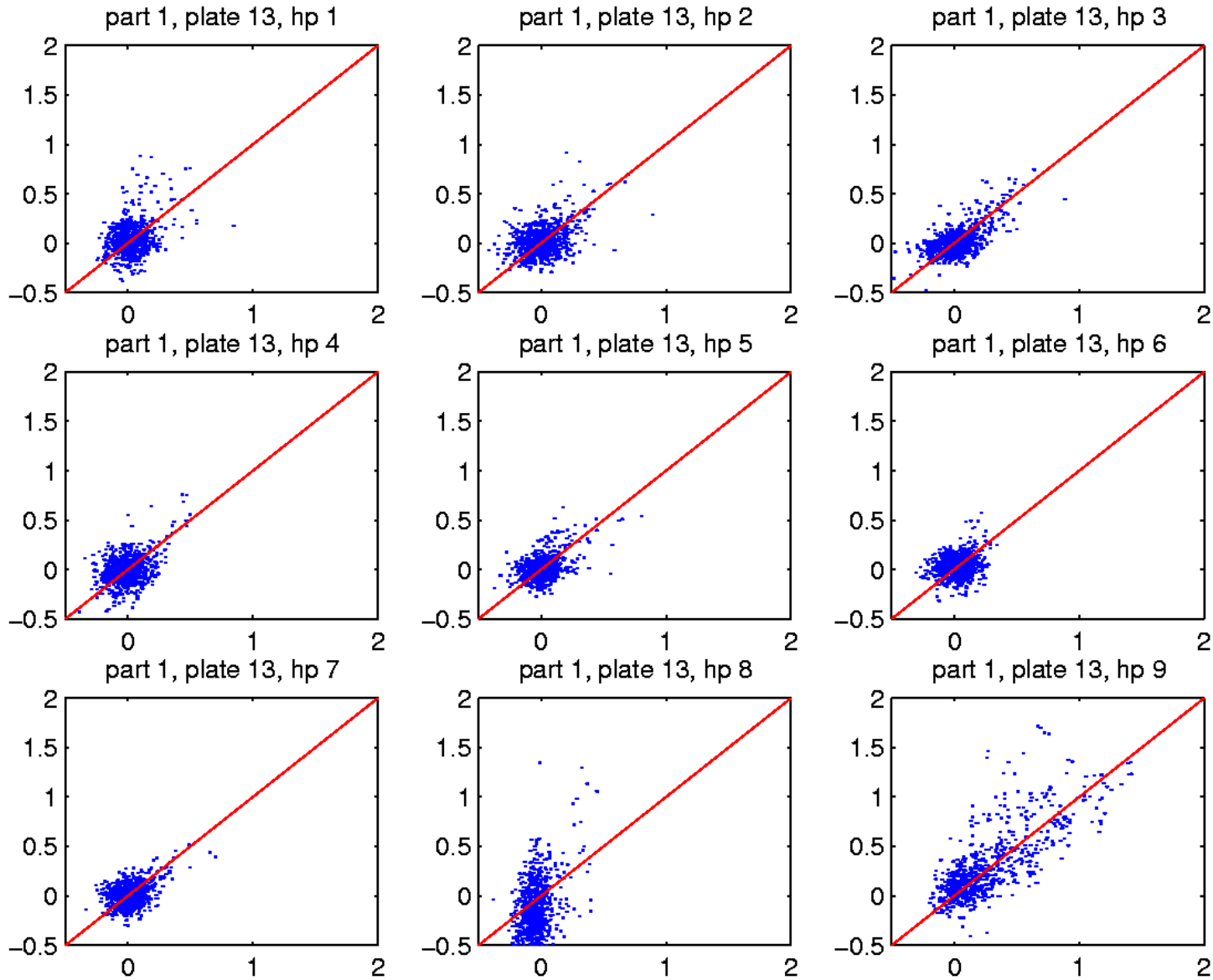
PCR plates: normal



PCR plates: tumor

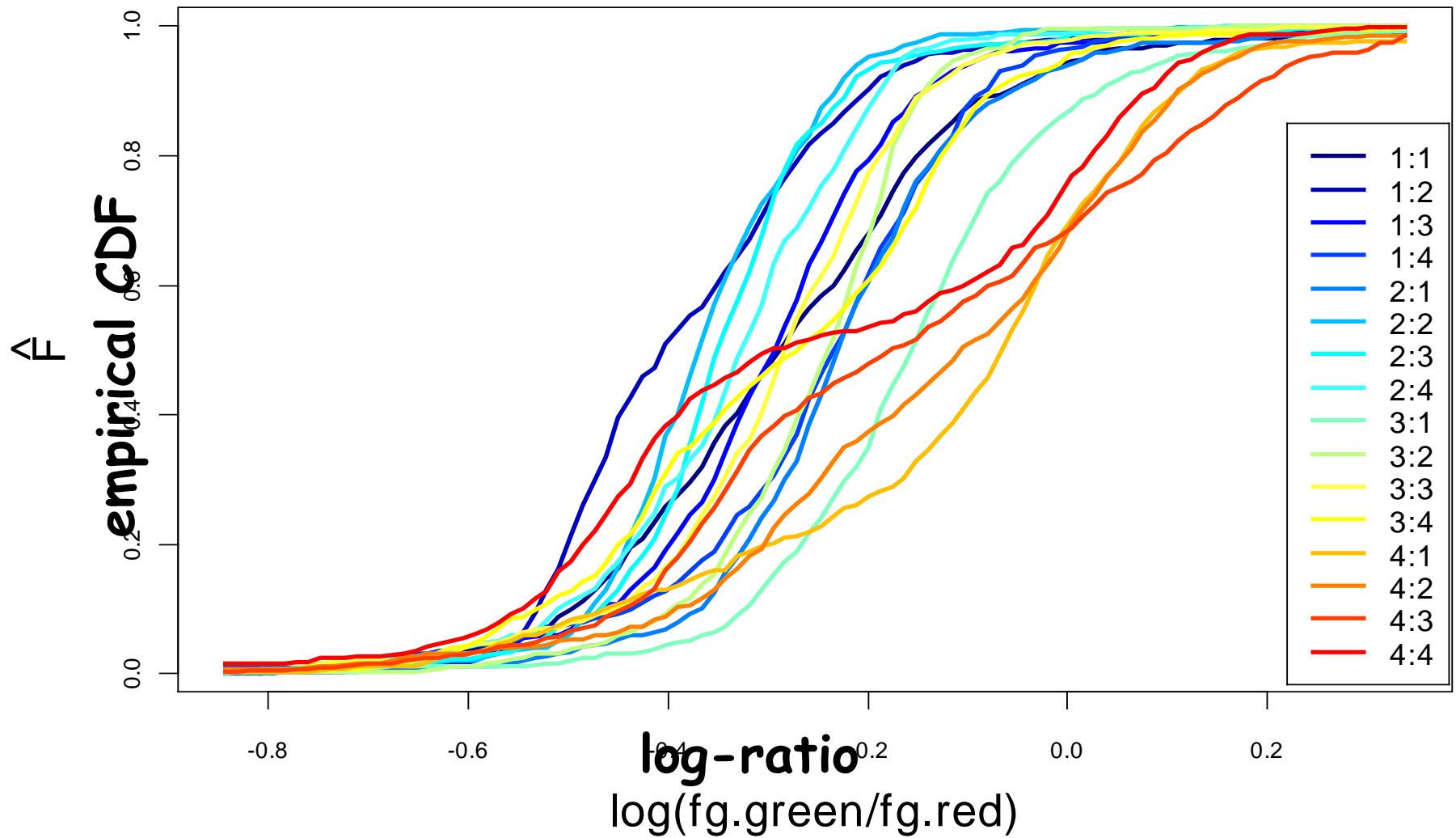


# array batches



# ▶ print-tip effects

41 (a42-u07639vene.txt) by spotting pin

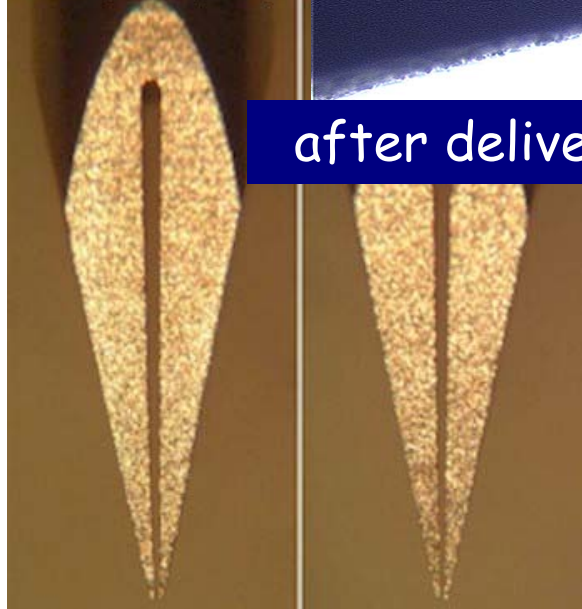


# spotting pin quality decline

after delivery of  $5 \times 10^5$  spots

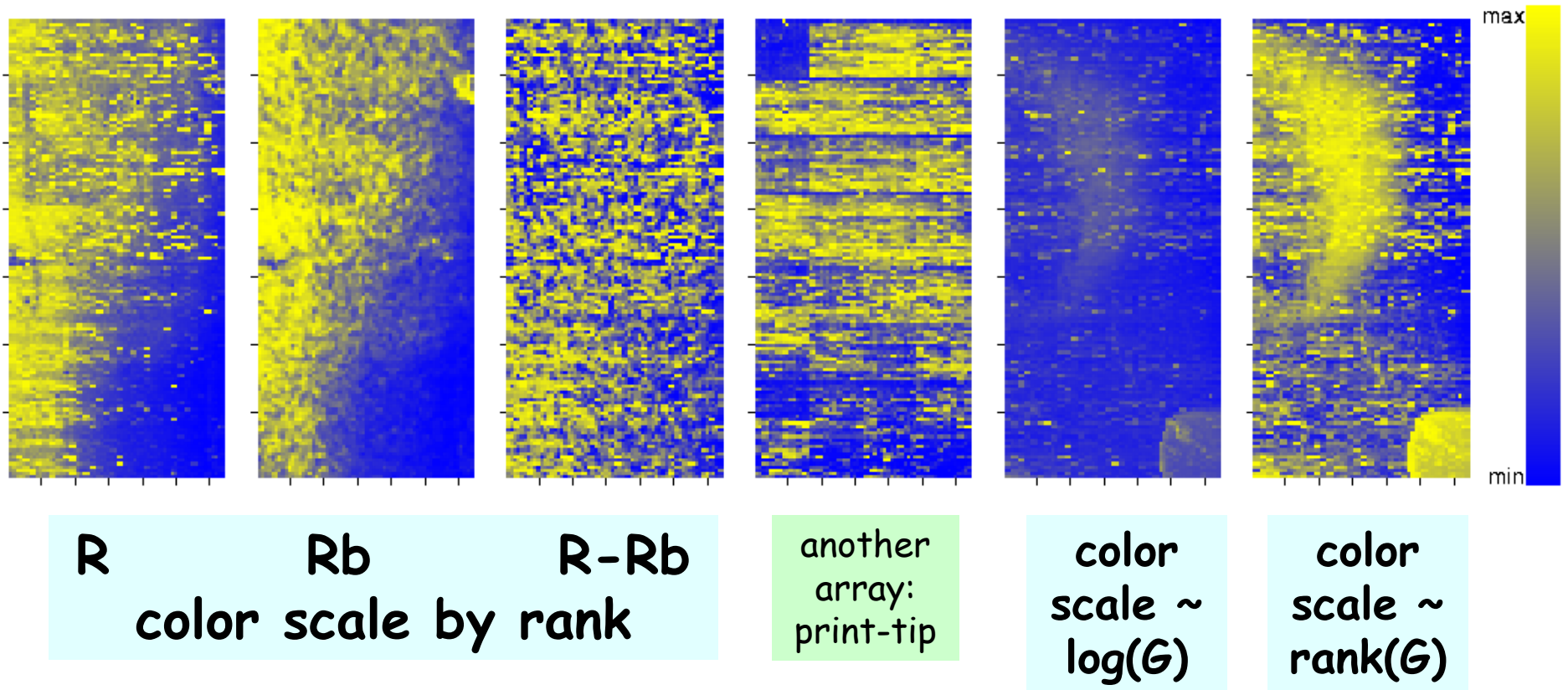
after delivery of  $3 \times 10^5$  spots

SMP3 (0.25 ul uptake)



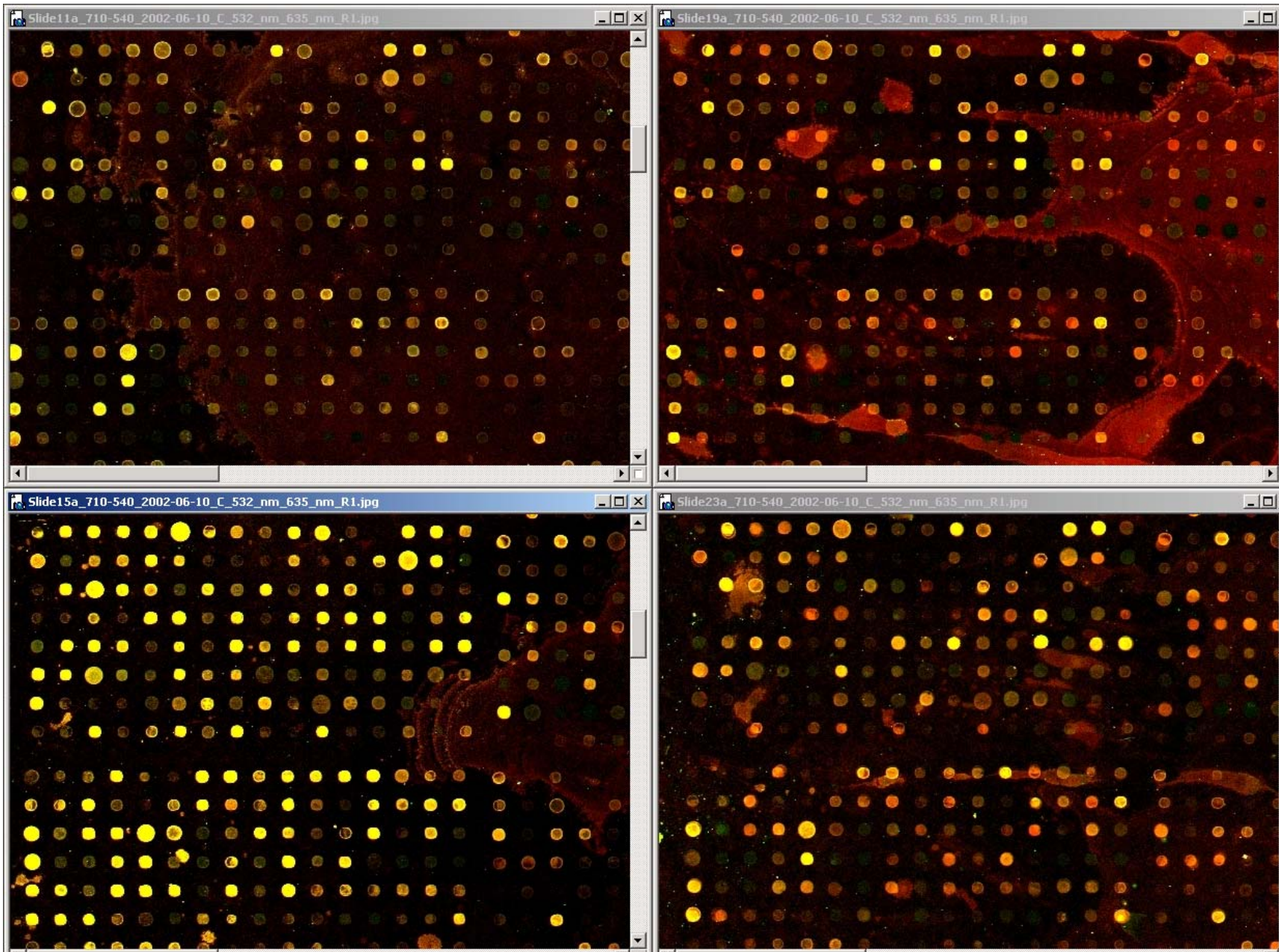


# spatial effects

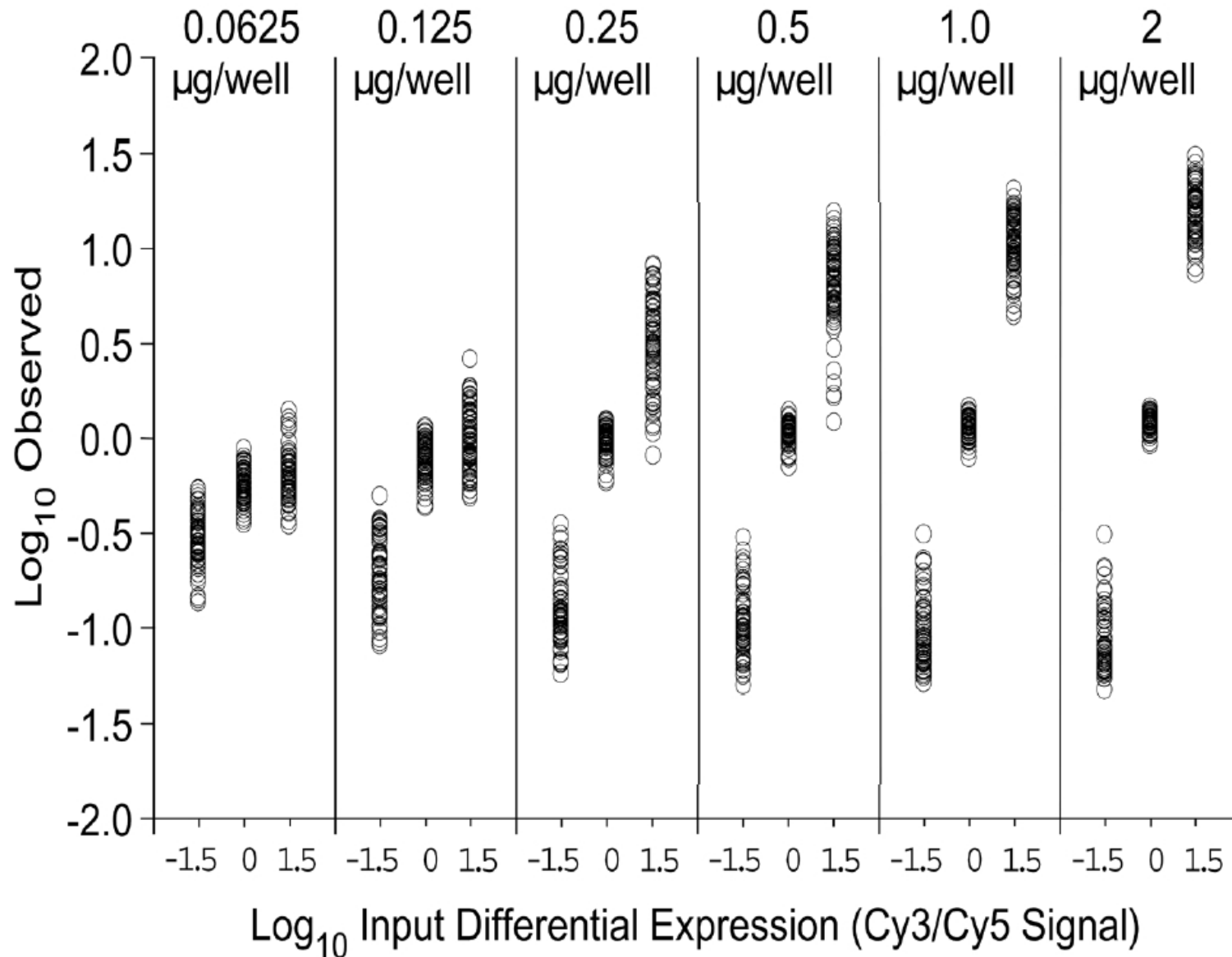


spotted cDNA arrays, Stanford-type

# ▶ One RNA, four slides



► **Spot DNA concentration:  
ratio compression**



Yue et al.,  
(Incyte  
Genomics)  
NAR  
(2001) 29  
e41



## Amount of sample mRNA

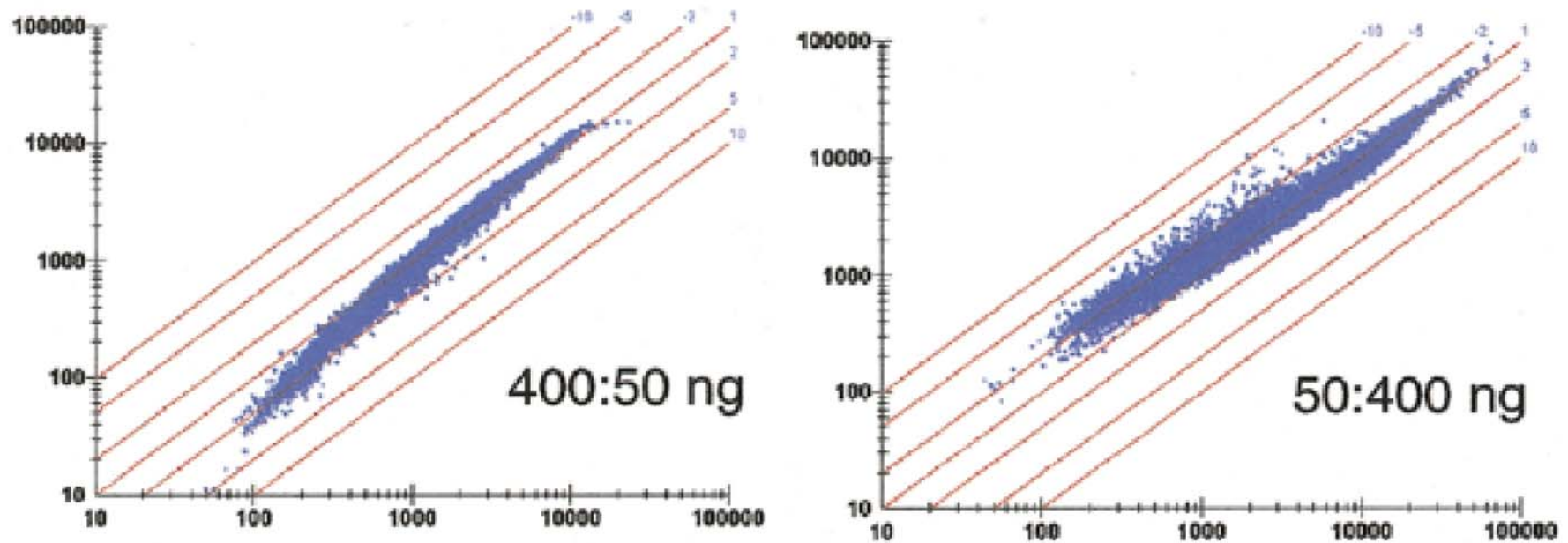


Figure from: H Yue et al. (Incyte), NAR 29: e41 (2001)

# ▶ Factors that affect measurements

## Arrays

PCR yield: plate bias

ratio compression

Spotting / wear of pins: pin bias

Batch effects: density and steric accessibility of probes

Hybridization chamber asymmetries: spatial gradients

## Samples

Ascertainment: RNA degradation

contamination

Amplification

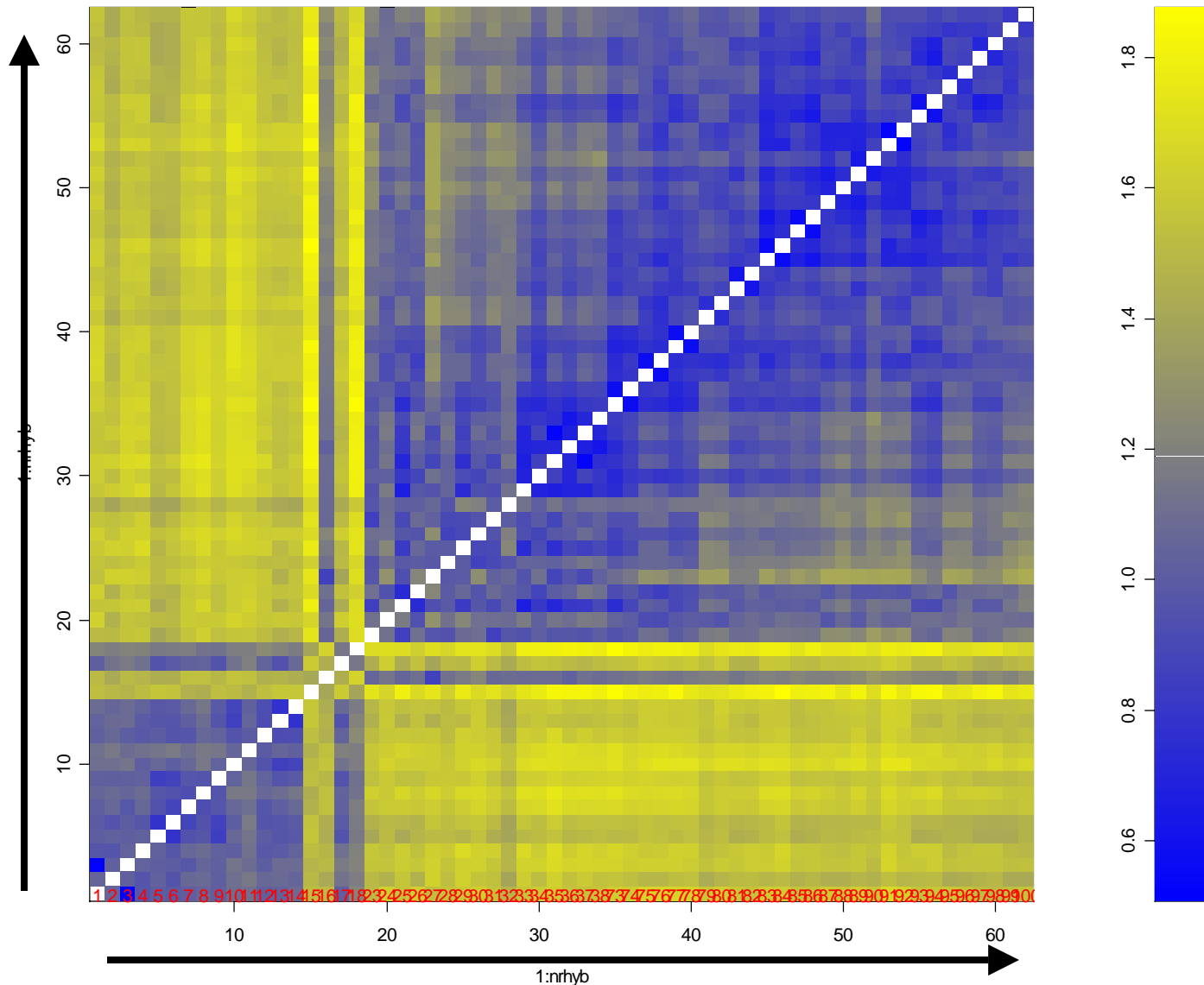
RNA purification

Labeling

Washing

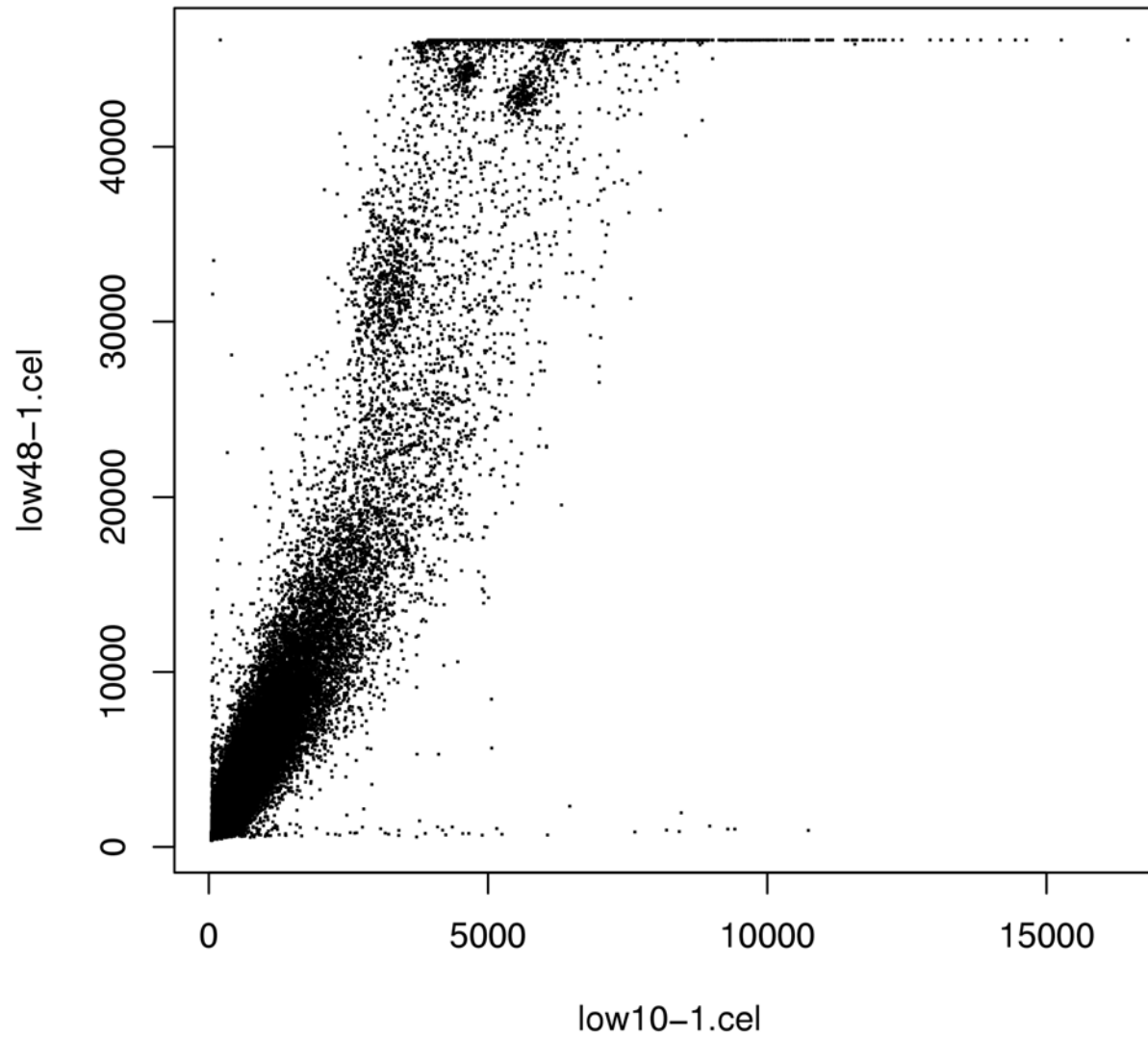
Scanner

**Batches:** array to array differences  $d_{ij} = \max_k (h_{ik} - h_{jk})$



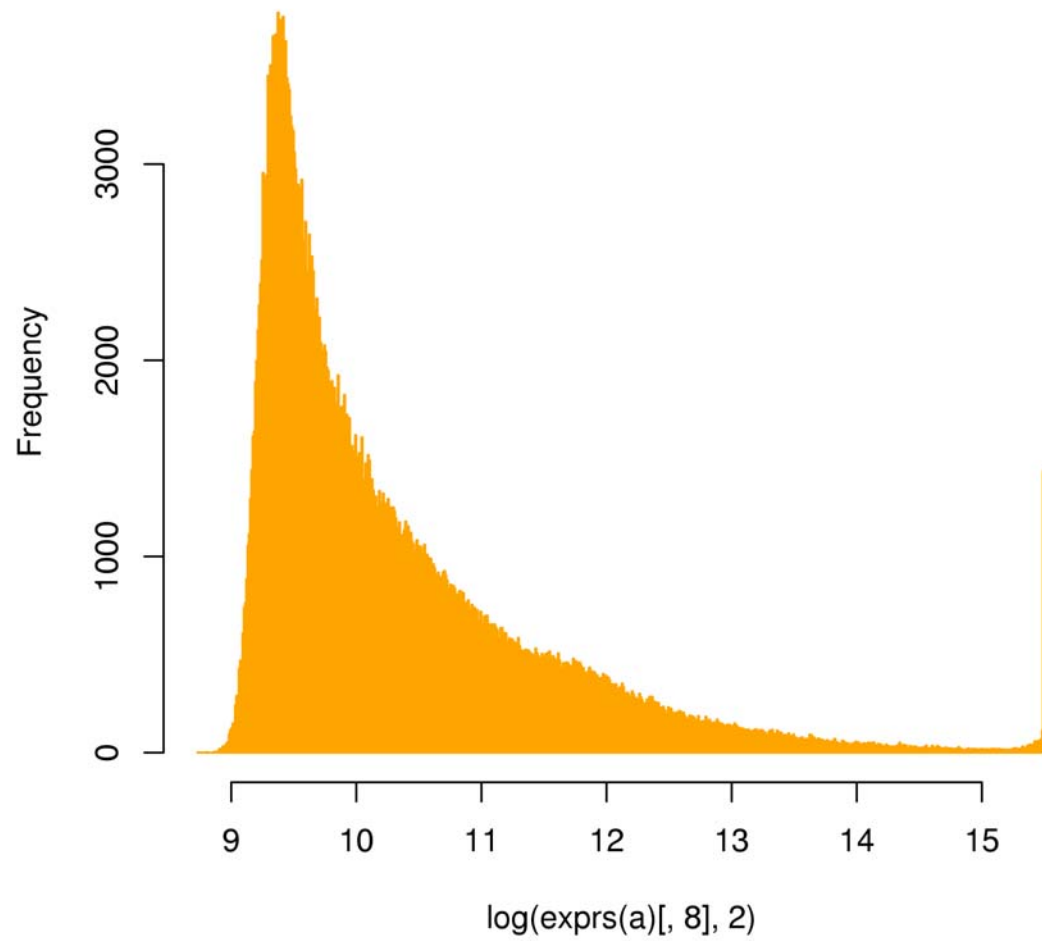
arrays  $i=1\dots 63$ ; roughly sorted by time

# ▶ Scatterplots



# ▶ Histogram

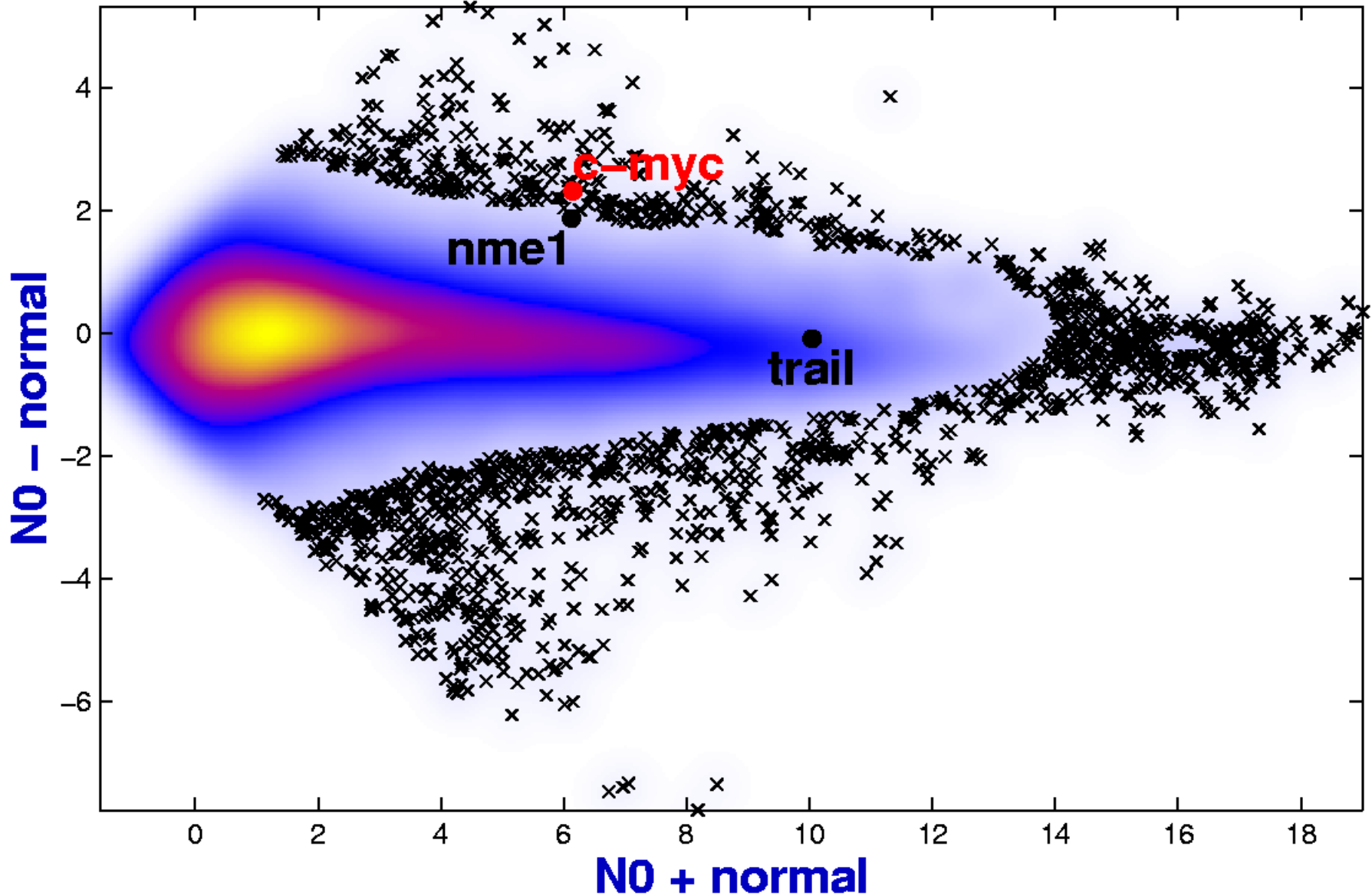
Histogram of  $\log(\text{exprs}(a)[, 8], 2)$





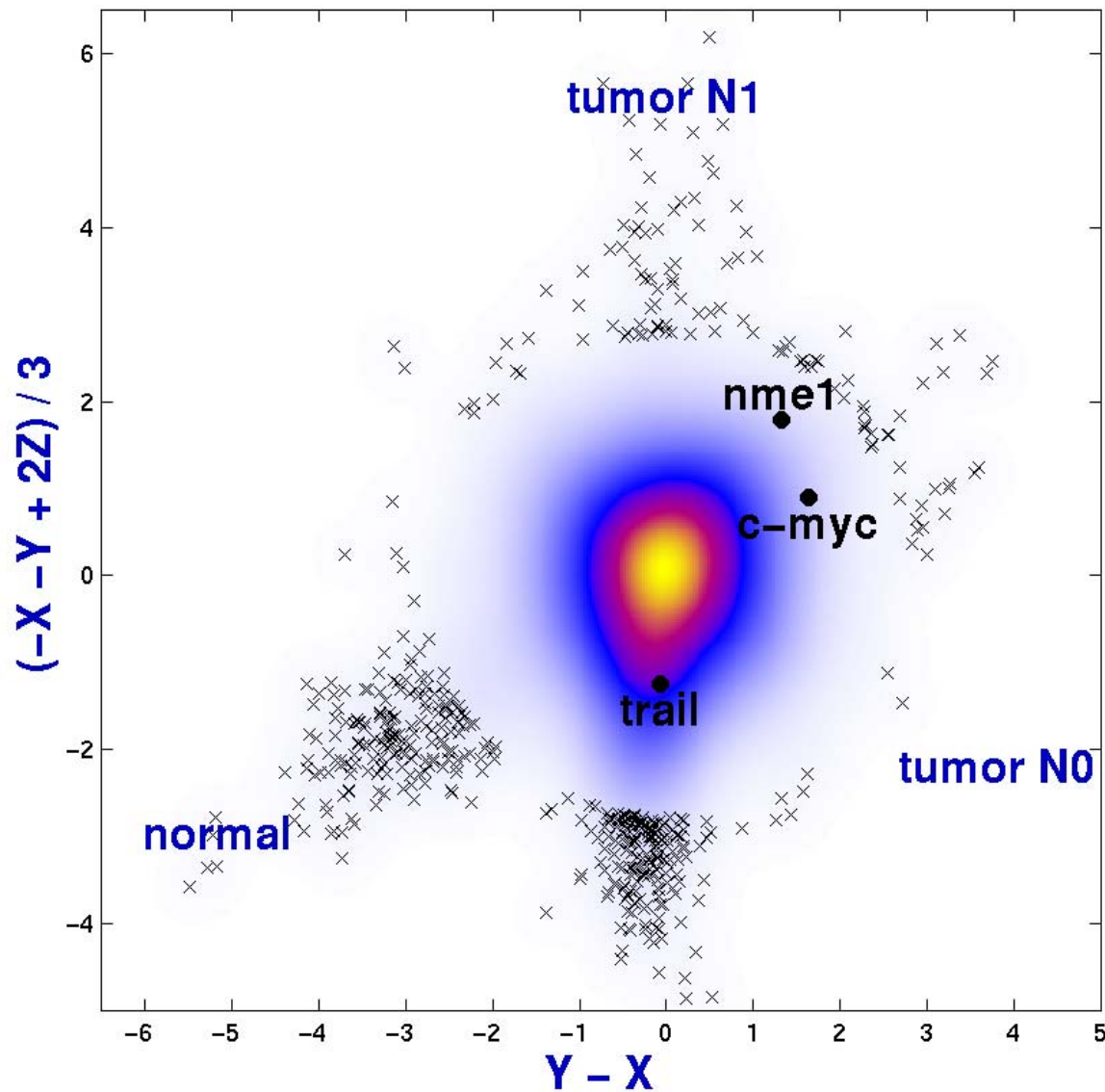
► Density representation of the scatterplot

(76,000 clones, RZPD Unigene-II filters)



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## ▶ Quantities that can be used for QC

### Control data:

Positive controls (e.g. metallothioneins in kidney)

Negative controls (e.g. nonhomologous probes)  
(Spikein cDNA)

### Hot data:

reproducibility / similarity:

replicate probes per array

replicate arrays per sample

multiple probes per transcript

multiple samples per biological condition

Absence of correlation with technical factors (enzyme-batch, spatial location on array, ...)

signal:

amplitude / quantity of differences between samples  
known to be biological different

## ▶ Quantities that can be used for QC

### Essential:

Experimental design that  
minimizes role of technical effects  
biological groups are balanced/randomized

## ▶ A model-based approach to QC

Make theoretically and/or empirically founded modelling assumptions on the data, then see if a given set of data fits. If no, the data is bad.

### Examples:

- additive-multiplicative error model with affine chip effects
- additive-multiplicative error model with affine chip- und pin-effects
- Li-Wing model with probe- and sample effects
- affyPLM (later ... first we need some background on Affymetrix)

## ▶ Affymetrix expression measures

$PM_{ijg}$ ,  $MM_{ijg}$  = Intensity for perfect match and mismatch probe  $j$  for gene  $g$  in chip  $i$ .

$i = 1, \dots, n$  one to hundreds of chips

$j = 1, \dots, J$  usually 16 or 20 probe pairs

$g = 1, \dots, G$  8...20,000 probe sets.

### Tasks:

**calibrate** (normalize) the measurements from different chips (samples)

**summarize** for each probe set the probe level data, i.e., 20 PM and MM pairs, into a single **expression measure**.

**compare** between chips (samples) for detecting differential expression.

# expression measures: MAS 4.0

Affymetrix GeneChip MAS 4.0 software uses **AvDiff**, a trimmed mean:

$$AvDiff = \frac{1}{\#J} \sum_{j \in J} (PM_j - MM_j)$$

- sort  $d_j = PM_j - MM_j$
- exclude highest and lowest value
- $J :=$  those pairs within 3 standard deviations of the average

# Expression measures MAS 5.0

Instead of MM, use "repaired" version CT

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CT} &= \text{MM} && \text{if } \text{MM} < \text{PM} \\ &= \text{PM} / \text{"typical log-ratio"} && \text{if } \text{MM} \geq \text{PM} \end{aligned}$$

"Signal" =

$$\text{Tukey.Biweight}(\log(\text{PM} - \text{CT}))$$

(...  $\approx$  median)

Tukey Biweight:  $B(x) = (1 - (x/c)^2)^2$  if  $|x| < c$ , 0 otherwise



# Expression measures: Li & Wong

*dChip* fits a model for each gene

$$PM_{ij} - MM_{ij} = \theta_i \phi_j + \varepsilon_{ij}, \quad \varepsilon_{ij} \propto N(0, \sigma^2)$$

where

- $\theta_i$ : **expression index** for gene  $i$
- $\phi_j$ : **probe sensitivity**

Maximum likelihood estimate of MBEI is used as expression measure of the gene in chip  $i$ .

Need at least 10 or 20 chips.

*Current version works with PMs only.*

## Expression measures

RMA: Irizarry et al. (2002)

- Estimate one **global background** value  $b = \text{mode}(MM)$ . No probe-specific background!
- Assume:  $PM = s_{\text{true}} + b$   
Estimate  $s \geq 0$  from PM and b as a conditional expectation  $E[s_{\text{true}} | PM, b]$ .
- Use  $\log_2(s)$ .
- Nonparametric nonlinear calibration ('quantile normalization') across a set of chips.

## Robust expression measures

### RMA: Irizarry et al. (2002)

AvDiff-like

$$RMA = \frac{1}{|A|} \sum_{j \in A} \log_2(PM_j - BG_j)$$

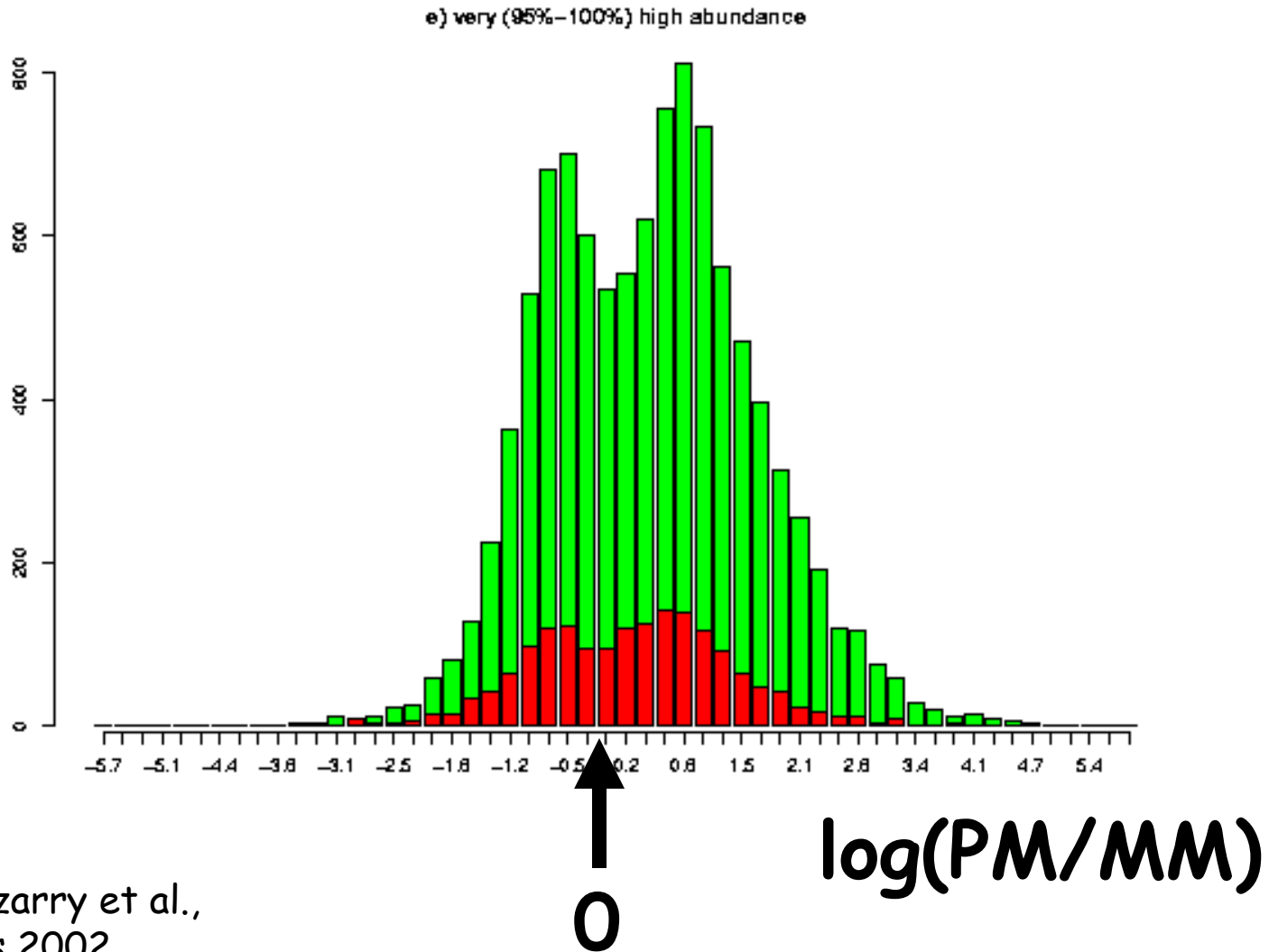
with  $A$  a set of "suitable" pairs.

Li-Wong-like: additive model

$$\log_2(PM_{ij} - BG) = a_i + b_j + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

Estimate  $RMA = a_i$  for chip  $i$  using robust method **median polish** (successively remove row and column medians, accumulate terms, until convergence). Works with  $d \geq 2$

►  $I_{PM} = I_{MM} + I_{\text{specific}} ?$



From: R. Irizarry et al.,  
Biostatistics 2002

# ► Physico-chemical modeling of the probe intensities: the riddle of the bright mismatches

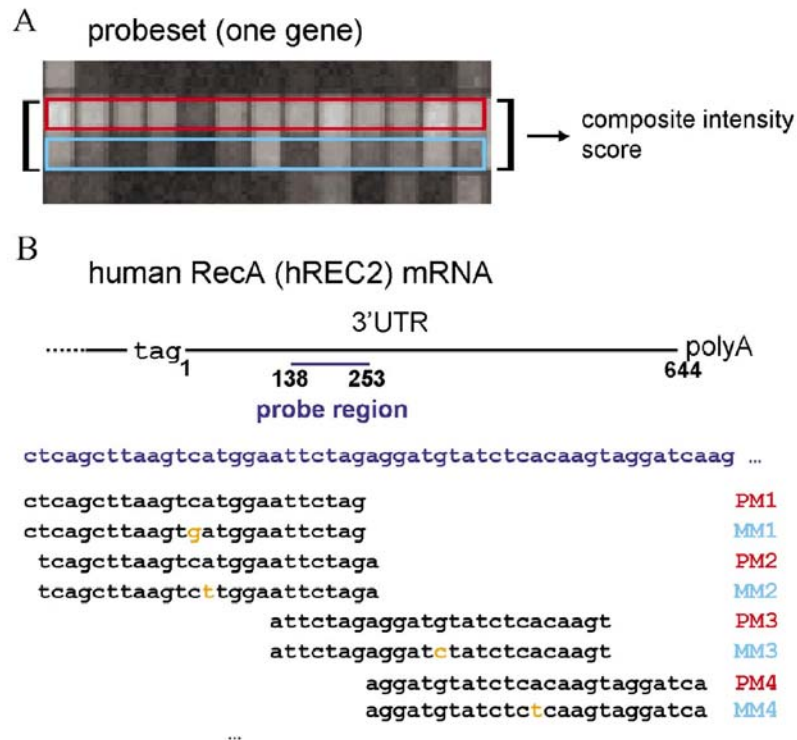


FIG. 1. (Color) Probeset design. (A) The raw scanned image of a typical probeset, with the PM (MM) on the top (bottom) row; higher brightness (white) corresponds to higher abundance of bound RNA molecules. The large variability in probe brightness is clearly visible. (B) Arrangement of probe sequences along the target transcript for the human *recA* gene in the HG-U95A array. Here the probe region (blue) is 116 bases long; it is typical that probes lie in the 3' UnTRanslated region, namely, between the stop triplet (codon) “tag” and the polyadenylation signal. The first four probes are shown explicitly; notice the overlap in their sequences.

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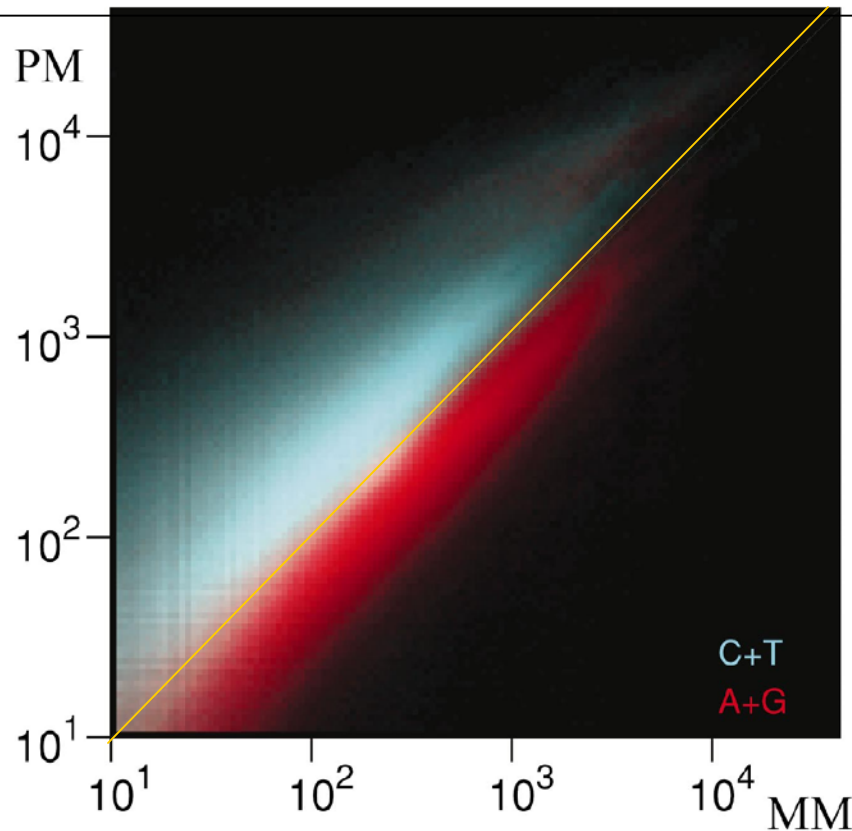


FIG. 2. (Color) PM vs MM histogram from 86 human HG-U95A arrays. The joint probability distribution for PM and MM shows strong sequence specificity. In this diagram, all  $17 \times 10^6$  (PM,MM) pairs in a dataset were used to construct a two-dimensional histogram. Pairs whose PM middle letter is a pyrimidine (C or T) are shown in cyan, and purines (A or G) in red. 33% of all probe pairs are below the PM=MM diagonal; 95% of these have a purine as their middle letter.

**purines**

**2 rings**

MM: 2 large molecules -> steric hindrance

**pyrimidines**

**1 ring**

MM: 2 small molecules -> no problem

**This explains the existence of two populations, but not their location**

Felix Naef et al., Phys Rev E 68 (2003)

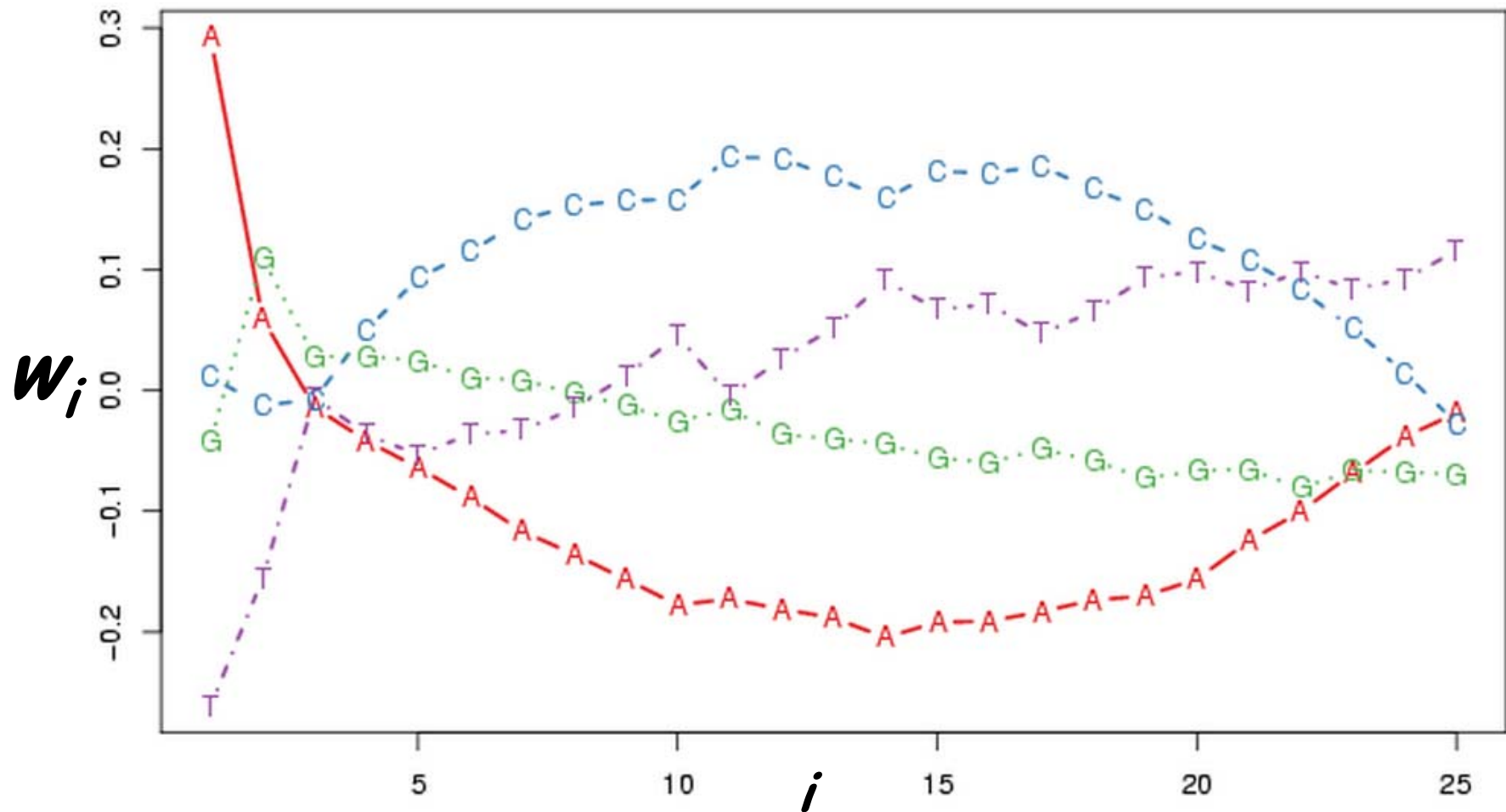
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Fit a statistical model for the deviation of a probe's intensity from its probe set's median intensity

$$\log \left( \frac{PM}{\underset{i}{med}(PM_i)} \right) \sim s_1 + s_2 + \dots + s_{25}$$

$s_i$ : factor representing nucleotide (A, C, G, T) at  $i$ -th position

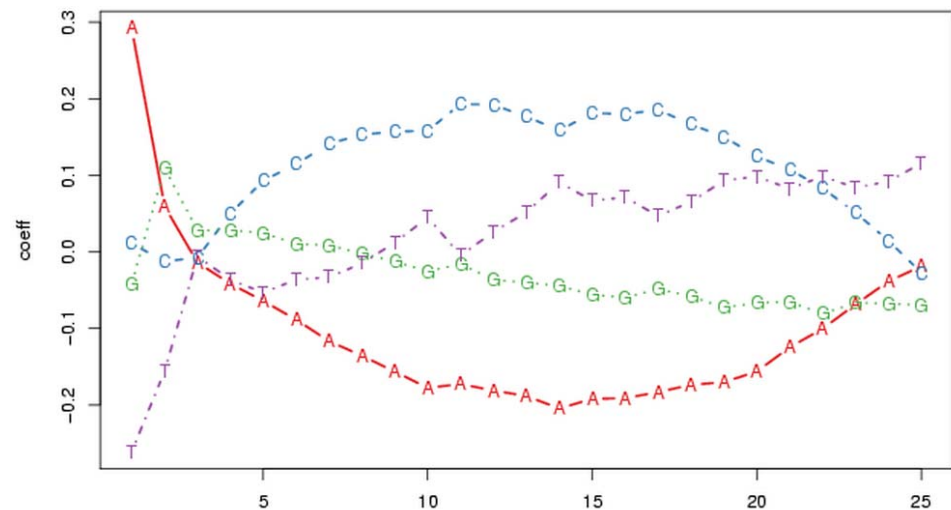
► Physico-chemical modeling of the probe intensities: the riddle of the bright mismatches





# ► Physico-chemical modeling of the probe intensities: the riddle of the bright mismatches

- *Changing one A into C in the middle of the probe:  $e^{0.4} \sim 1.5$*
- *Left/right asymmetry*
- *Asymmetry A vs T: A-T bonds are not equivalent to T-A bonds! (similar for G vs C).*
- *Labels are at U and C*



*G-C\* (PM) dimmer than C-C\* (MM)*

## ▶ affyPLM package

Fitting linear models to probe set intensities  
across multiple arrays

$$Y_{pi} \sim \mu + a_i + \dots$$

$Y_{pi}$  intensity of probe  $p$  (e.g. 1...11) on array  $i$   
 $p$  probe ID (factor)  
 $a_i$  array effect  
... further biological factors!

## ▶ affyPLM package

### affy::fitPLM

example: robust linear model for Dilution data with effect for liver dilution level and scanner

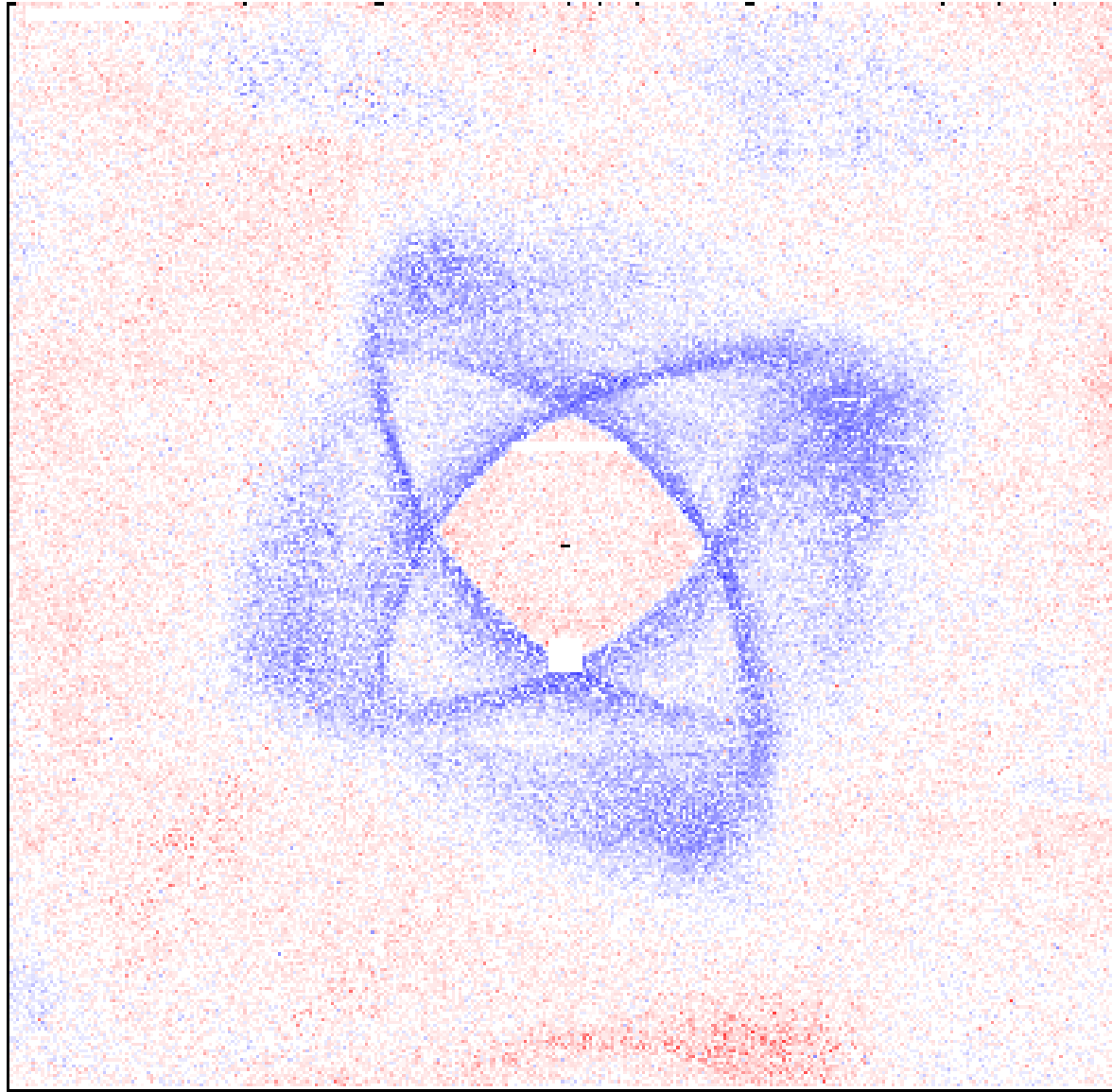
```
Pset <- fitPLM(Dilution,  
              model = PM ~ -1 + probes + liver + scanner,  
              normalize = FALSE, background = FALSE)
```

### Result:

For each probe: weight

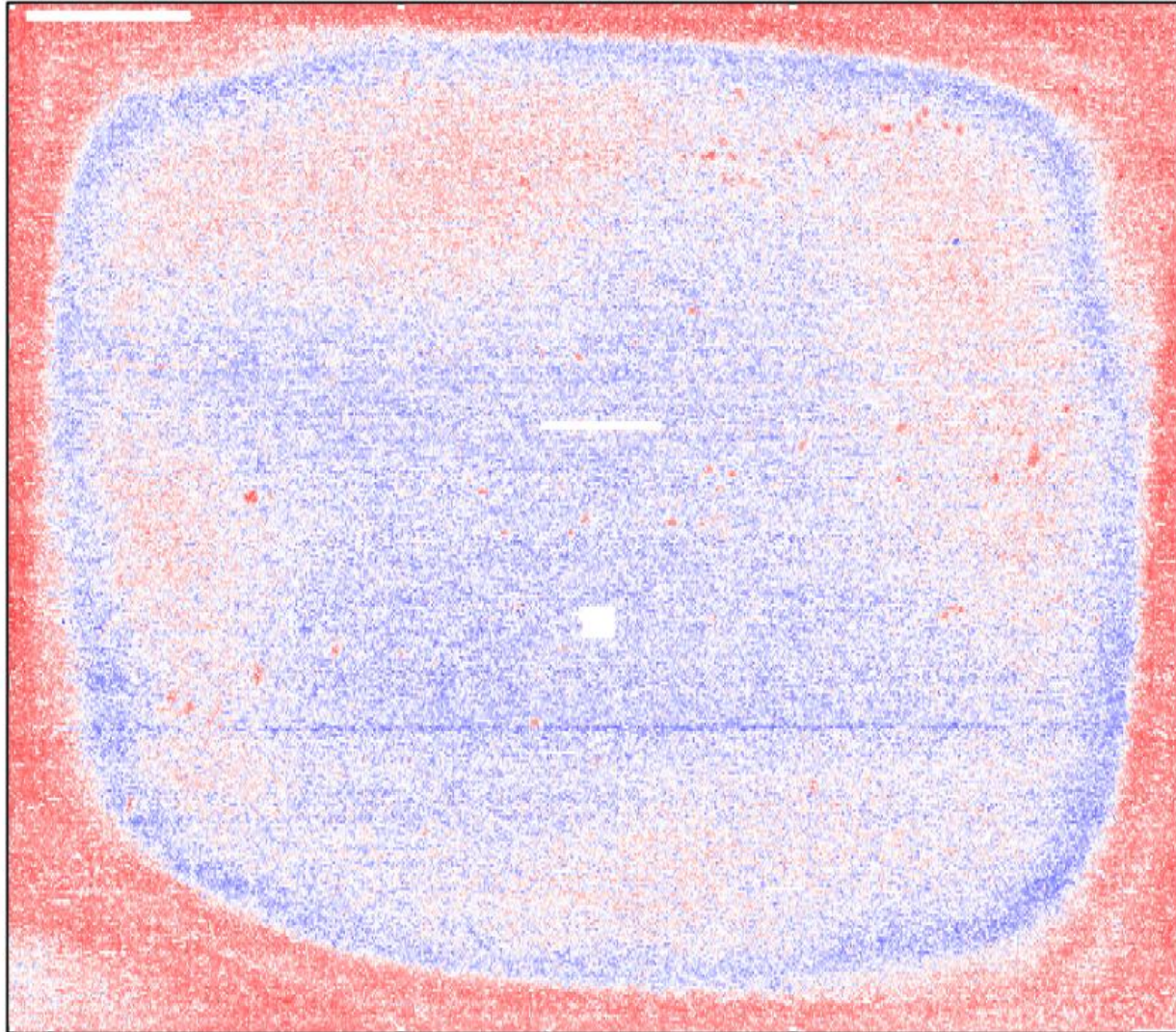
For measurement (probe\*chip): residual

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residuals

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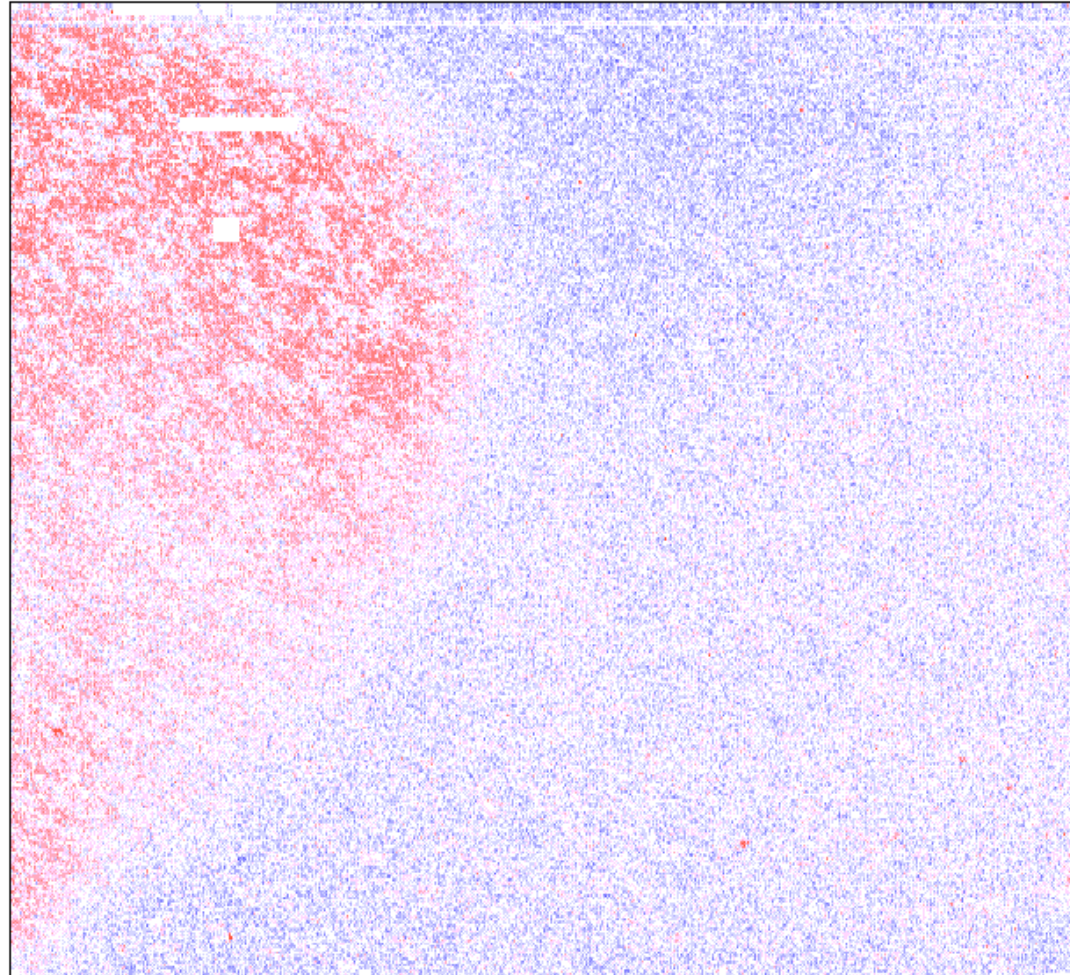


residuals



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from Affymetrix' HGU95a latin square spike-in data set

# ▶ Clickable plots via client side imagemaps

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imageMap {prada}

R Documentation

Write an HTML IMG tag together with a MAP image map.

## Description

Write an HTML IMG tag together with a MAP image map.

## Usage

```
imageMap(con, imgname, coord, tooltips, url, target="extra")
```

## Arguments

**con** Connection (see argument `con` of [writeLines](#)).

**imgname** Character. Name of the image file, as it is to appear in the HTML output.

**coord** Matrix with 4 columns. Each row specifies the corners of a rectangle within the image.

**tooltips** Character of length `nrow(coord)`.

**url** Character of length `nrow(coord)`.

**target** Character. Name of the target browser window.

## Details

See example.

## Value

The function is called for its side effect, which is writing text into the connection `con`.

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## See Also

[plotPlate](#), [writeLines](#)

## Examples

```
imageMap(stdout(), "myimage.jpg", coord=matrix(1:8,nrow=2),
          url=c("a","b"), tooltips=c("TT1", "TT2"))
```

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