

FRIENDS OR FOE? THE ROLE OF T CELLS IN IMMUNE RESPONSES AGAINST PATHOGENS AND CANCER

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

Understanding individual **IMMUNE** cells to learn how the **SYSTEMS** work.

Skills you will learn

- 1. Understanding the molecular and phenotypic features of T and B cells
- 2. Learn and apply cutting edge single cell technologies to identify immune cells and their function, that drive successful immune responses.
- 3. Work in a team of researchers, students and across different disciplines

What will you do?

- 1. You will learn immunology and (if you are keen) bioinformatics elements
- 2. Work in a team and do what best fit for your skills

How do we solve the problem: Single cell technology, Immunology and Bioinformatics



The team: PHD and Honours students are all welcome!





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What are the research questions we focus on

1)What is that cause of autoimmunity (e.g., coeliac disease)? 2) How do Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T cells kill cancer? 3) What can T Cell Receptors drive a highly specific immune response?

The landscape of somatic mutations driving coeliac disease



Single cell genomics applied to immune cells: This schema outline the experimental approach that we adopt to study blood and tissue samples to uniquely identify molecular and functional features of disease. We use single cell multi-omics (transcriptomics, proteomics and immune receptor sequencing) to thoroughly identify immune cells.

Publications

- 1. Rizzetto et al. Bioinformatics 2018
- 2. Koutsakos et al. Nature Immunology 2019
- 3. Samir et al. BMC Medical Genomics.
- 4. Singh et al. Cell 2020.