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iSeq 2.0: a modular and interchangeable toolkit for interaction screening in yeast

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SUMMARY

We developed a flexible toolkit for combinatorial screening in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* that generates large libraries of cells, each uniquely barcoded to mark a combination of DNA elements. This interaction Sequencing platform (iSeq 2.0) includes genomic landing pads that assemble combinations through sequential integration of plasmids or yeast mating; 15 barcoded plasmid libraries containing split selectable markers (*URA3_{AB}*, *KanMX_{AB}*, *HphMX_{AB}*, *NatMX_{AB}*); and an array of ~24,000 “double-barcoder” strains that can make existing yeast libraries iSeq-compatible. Various DNA elements are compatible with iSeq: DNA introduced on integrating plasmids, engineered genomic modifications, or entire genetic backgrounds. DNA element libraries are modular and interchangeable, and any two libraries can be combined, making iSeq capable of performing many new combinatorial screens by short-read sequencing.

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Author contributions

XL and SL conceived the double barcoding system. XL developed the system and performed experiments. ZL generated the PCA iSeq library. XL, ZL, AD, DM, and DF generated the double barcoder strain collection. RM contributed to the development of split drug cassettes. FL developed the fitness estimation method. XL analyzed the data, performed statistics and visualized the data. SL and XL wrote the manuscript.

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A flexible toolkit for barcode-based combinatorial screening in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is developed. It includes genomic landing pads that assemble combinations through sequential integration of plasmids or yeast mating; 15 barcoded plasmid libraries containing split selectable markers (*URA3_{AB}*, *KanMX_{AB}*, *HygMX_{AB}*, *NatMX_{AD}*); and an array of ~24,000 “double-barcode” strains. Various DNA elements are compatible: DNA introduced on integrating plasmids, engineered genomic modifications, or entire genetic backgrounds. DNA element libraries are modular and interchangeable, and any two libraries can be combined.

Keywords

Combinatorial screening; *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*; barcode sequencing; yeast; fitness; landing pad; interaction screening; iSeq; *loxP*, *Cre*

INTRODUCTION

Large-scale combinatorial screens of DNA elements have been used to define the genetic and protein-protein interaction networks of a cell (Bandyopadhyay et al, 2010; Collins et al, 2007; Costanzo et al, 2010; Díaz-Mejía et al, 2018; Frost et al, 2012; Han et al, 2017; Roguev et al, 2008; Shenet et al, 2017) (Ito et al, 2001; Rolland et al, 2014; Tarassov et al, 2008; Uetz et al, 2000; Yachie et al, 2016), interrogate the genetic determinants and evolutionary constraints of protein interactions (Aakre et al, 2015; Diss & Lehner, 2018; Raman et al, 2016; Younger et al, 2017), and discover combinations of natural or synthetic small RNAs that underlie a phenotype (Wong et al, 2015; 2016). The earliest combinatorial screens to be developed, such as the Yeast Two-Hybrid (Y2H) assay, took advantage of pairwise yeast mating to build and assay combinatorial libraries in arrays on agar (Ito et al, 2001; Uetz et al, 2000). However, because combinations must be constructed and assayed one-at-a-time, throughput of these methods is limited.

More recently, a number of strategies have been developed that build and/or assay combinatorial libraries in pools using next generation sequencing of unique DNA barcodes (Díaz-Mejía et al, 2018; Diss & Lehner, 2018; Jaffe et al, 2017; Schlecht et al, 2017; Wong et al, 2015; 2016; Yachie et al, 2016; Younger et al, 2017). These methods allow large combinatorial libraries to be constructed quickly, stored in pools, and economically re-assayed under new conditions. Variations of two general strategies have been developed to build such combinatorial libraries: 1) two or more DNA elements are added to a uniquely-identifiable barcoded plasmid, and plasmid libraries are subsequently inserted into cells (Diss & Lehner, 2018; Han et al, 2017; Wong et al, 2015; 2016), or 2) two barcoded haploid yeast libraries are mated, and *in vivo* recombination fuses the two barcodes (Díaz-Mejía et al, 2018; Jaffe et al, 2017; Schlecht et al, 2017; Yachie et al, 2016; Younger et al, 2017). An example of the second strategy is our initial interaction Sequencing (iSeq) (Jaffe et al, 2017; Schlecht et al, 2017) platform. A DNA barcode and *loxP* recombination site is introduced at a common chromosomal location in each yeast mating type. Barcodes are placed on opposite sides of the *loxP* such that mating and *loxP* recombination between homologous chromosomes yield a barcode-*loxP*-barcode on one chromosome.

Increases in throughput resulting from pooled combinatorial screens such as iSeq could open new frontiers in systems biology and bioengineering by, for example, providing a means by which to assay how biological networks change across time, environment, or genotype (Celaj et al, 2017; Fischbach & Krogan, 2010). However, existing assays, including our initial iSeq platform, have generally been built for one or two use cases, and repurposing an assay to a novel use is not always possible. Ideally, a library of potential interaction partners, could be used with any other library. For maximal utility and flexibility, we envision that a potential interaction partner could be an exogenous DNA element that is added to a cell such as a guide RNA or open reading frame (ORF), a specific modification to a cell genome such as a gene knockout or gene fusion, or an entire genotype.

Here, we develop a flexible toolkit for combinatorial screening in the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* that we call iSeq 2.0. This toolkit can generate large barcoded libraries of cells, each of which contains a unique combination of any two potential interaction partners. A potential interaction partner library can be reused with any other library to develop a novel screen. We provide a set of 15 plasmid libraries each containing >120,000 barcodes, which are likely to allow iSeq to be performed in many experimental, industrial and wild yeast strains. To facilitate barcoding of existing yeast libraries for use with iSeq, we provide a library of ~24,000 arrayed barcoded yeast strains. Lastly, we demonstrate the utility of iSeq by screening for protein-protein interactions and by measuring the fitness effects of combinations of genes involved in amino acid synthesis.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Overview of the iSeq 2.0 platform.

The iSeq 2.0 system functions by first introducing a “landing pad” at a defined genomic location in a yeast strain (STAR Methods, Figure S1A). The landing pad consists of a galactose inducible *Cre* recombinase and tandem *loxP* variants that are incompatible with each other (Figure S1B, Table S1). Each *loxP* variant serves as either a plasmid integration site or a recombination site between homologous chromosomes. The landing pad can build combinatorial libraries in two ways. In the sequential integration method, barcoded plasmid libraries are integrated in tandem, creating a 140 base-pair *barcode-lox-lox-barcode* (Figure 1A). In the mating method, plasmids are integrated into the genome of *MATa* and *MATa* haploids. Subsequent mating and recombination between homologous chromosomes creates a 195 base-pair *barcode-lox-lox-lox-barcode* (Figure 1B). In both methods, plasmids are integrated in their entirety by being looped in at a single *loxP* site. *LoxP* variants are used in configurations that result in a high rate of production of the desired double barcode products (Figure S1B) (Albert et al, 1995). Selection for double barcode constructs is achieved by reassembly of a split positive selectable marker, one half of which is on each plasmid. One of four split selectable markers can be used, three of which have been designed here (*URA3_{AI}* (Yoshimatsu & Nagawa, 1989), *KanMX_{AI}*, *HphMX_{AI}*, *NatMX_{AI}*). Barcoded plasmids can be engineered to contain additional DNA constructs or to serve as markers for specific genomic modifications or strain backgrounds. Once double barcode libraries are constructed, highly parallel quantitative screens can be performed by competitive growth and short read sequencing.

iSeq 2.0 construction fidelity, bias and scalability.

A robust combinatorial screening platform requires high fidelity construction of libraries. Depending on the application, it may also require the ability to screen different sized exogenous DNA elements or extremely large interaction spaces, and to minimize variation in the initial frequency distribution of the library so that all combinations can be economically measured. To test the performance of iSeq 2.0 in these criteria, we performed a series of experiments that follow.

Construction fidelity.—A *loxP* recombination site consists of an 8-base pair “core” surrounded by two 13 base pair palindromic sequences. *LoxP* variants with different cores (*lox5171* and *lox2272*) have been reported to recombine efficiently with themselves but not with each other or wild-type *loxP* (Lee & Saito, 1998). To test the *loxP* variant specificity in our platform, we integrated plasmids containing a single *loxP* variant into a landing pad strain that does or does not contain a compatible *loxP* variant (STAR Methods, Figure 1C). We find that a high rate of integration requires compatible *loxP* variants, with integration rates between incompatible *loxP* variants being on par with random genomic integration.

Plasmid integration bias.—iSeq could potentially be used to test combinations of different sized exogenous DNA constructs (e.g. ORFs). However, plasmid size may impact integration efficiency, resulting in frequency biases within the pool. Frequency biases are undesirable because they require deeper sequencing to resolve all genotypes. To test the impact of plasmid size on the genomic integration rate, we constructed various size iSeq-compatible plasmids, with each plasmid design represented by >6000 unique barcodes (STAR Methods). Plasmids were *in vitro* assembled, transformed into bacteria, isolated from bacterial pools, and integrated into the yeast genome as pools at the landing pad locus. Barcode sequencing revealed that insert size has a minor impact on integration efficiency, with most insert sizes having similar frequency distributions (Figures 1D and S2).

iSeq scalability.—Combinatorial screen size scales roughly exponentially with the number of individual constructs ($N \times N$ constructs = N^2 combinations). Thus, combinatorial screens are unlikely limited by the number of individual constructs, but rather by how many combinations can be realistically generated and sequenced. For the sequential insertion method, the size generated is limited by the integration efficiency of the second plasmid library to be introduced ($N \times N$ double barcodes requires $N \times N$ integration events). Using a modified lithium acetate yeast transformation protocol and the split *URA3* marker (STAR Methods), we found that plasmids integrate at high efficiency (Figure 1E): a plasmid maxi-prep (1 mg of plasmid DNA) generates an estimated $\sim 10^7$ double barcodes. We validated this scale by integrating 0.9 mg of a complex plasmid library and sequencing one-tenth of recovered integrants (STAR Methods). We found $\sim 1.1 \times 10^6$ double barcodes within a reasonably narrow frequency distribution (Figure 1F). For the mating method, the size is limited by both the number of mating events and the number of *loxP*-mediated chromosomal translocation events. Using a protocol that mates $\sim 10^{10}$ cells on a standard agar plate, we found a lower bound mating efficiency of $\sim 11.83\%$ (Figure 1G and STAR Methods). By inducing recombination in mated diploids, we found a lower bound recombination efficiency of $\sim 1.63\%$ (Figure 1G and STAR Methods). Based on these estimates, we predict that a

single mating plate can produce $> 1.93 \times 10^7$ ($10^{10} \times 11.83\% \times 1.63\%$) double barcoding events. We validated this approximate scale by mating ~ 4200 barcoded *MATa* strains to ~ 1200 barcoded *MATa* strains and sequencing diploid recombinants. We found $\sim 4.7 \times 10^6$ double barcodes (94% of expected), with a distribution that is somewhat broader than the library built by sequential insertion (Figure 1H). Continued selection of the split selectable marker assures that barcodes are not lost. However, some experimental scenarios may require growth in non-selectable media. Under these conditions, we find that the functional split *URA3* is lost at a rate of 4.68×10^{-6} per cell per generation (STAR Methods).

Construction and validation of the iSeq 2.0 toolkit.

To make the iSeq 2.0 platform easily applicable to a wide variety of potential combinatorial screens in natural, engineered, or industrial yeasts (Figure 2), we next constructed a toolkit consisting of barcoded plasmid libraries with various split selectable markers and two arrays of barcoded yeast strains.

A versatile set of barcoded plasmid libraries with split drug resistance markers.—Our previous version of iSeq (Jaffe et al, 2017; Schlecht et al, 2017) relied on the split *URA3* marker (*URA3_{AI}*) (Yoshimatsu & Nagawa, 1989), a tool with diverse applications (Yoshimatsu & Nagawa, 1989), (Lee et al, 2008), (Curcio & Garfinkel, 1991), (Jaffe et al, 2017), (Schlecht et al, 2017). *URA3_{AI}* requires a *ura3* auxotroph in the target strain, which can limit its utility for natural, engineered, or industrial yeasts. To address this limitation, we designed a collection of split positive selection markers (*HphMX_{AF}*, *KanMX_{AF}*, and *NatMX_{AI}*) that provide resistance to a drug (hygromycin, G418, and nourseothricin, respectively) and can be used in prototrophic yeast (Goldstein & McCusker, 1999). We found that plasmid integration and reconstruction of each split drug marker provides resistance to the drug, as expected (STAR Methods, Figure S2B–S2D). Using these new split markers in combination with full selectable markers, we constructed a set of 15 iSeq-compatible plasmid libraries, containing between 120,000 and 3,500,000 barcodes each (Table S2). Each library contains a multicloning site for integration of additional DNA constructs.

An array of $\sim 24,000$ double barcoder yeast strains.—Many existing yeast libraries could be potentially used with iSeq, such as the YKO (Winzeler, 1999), DaMP (Breslow et al, 2008), GFP (Huh et al, 2003), Tet-promoter (Mnaimneh et al, 2004), insertional mutant (Ross-Macdonald et al, 1999), protein interactome (Tarassov et al, 2008) and SWAp-Tag (Meurer et al, 2018) collections. To facilitate this, we constructed a collection of 11,582 *MATa* and 13,195 *MATa* arrayed yeast strains that each have a unique barcode integrated in the mating version of the iSeq landing pad (the “double-barcoder” collection, Table S8 and S9). Strains in this collection contain a dual SGA reporter (*can1 ::MFA1pr-HIS3::MFA1pr-LEU2*) (Tong et al, 2004), which, following mating, provides a means by which to isolate haploids of either mating type without the need for tetrad dissections. Additionally, barcoded arrays can be used to partition large oligonucleotide libraries or strain collections into physically separated arrays (Smith et al, 2017) using a REcombinase-Directed Indexing (REDI) method (Figure S3).

Validation of the iSeq 2.0 platform.—To validate that iSeq can be used to carry out quantitative and reproducible combinatorial screens, we made a subset of strains from the protein interactome collection iSeq compatible, and used fitness-based measurements to screen for known protein-protein interactions (Figure S4) (Tarassov et al, 2008; Schlecht et al, 2017). We found that fitness measurements are highly reproducible between replicate growth cultures (Pearson's $r = 0.997$) and double barcodes representing the same protein pair (Pearson's $r = 0.961$). Additionally, our assay had a similar rate of false positives and false negatives as traditional yeast two hybrid or protein fragment complementation assays. We next tested if iSeq can be used to screen added DNA elements of various sizes. We added combinations of auxotrophic markers to yeast lacking those ORFs, and assayed for their effect on fitness in various environments (Figure S5). We recovered all ORF combinations, despite large differences in their lengths. Here too, fitness estimates correlated well across replicate cultures and double barcodes representing the same combination of ORFs.

iSeq 2.0 applications.—One element of the iSeq toolkit is a “double barcoder” yeast collection that can make existing yeast libraries iSeq compatible. As an extension, combinatorial screens could be performed with collections of natural isolates (Liti et al, 2009) or with segregants from a cross. For example, pooled double barcoder strains could be mated to a genetically divergent strain and sporulated to recover a library of barcoded segregants. Alternatively, iSeq landing pads could be integrated into strain backgrounds of interest, with subsequent integration of barcoded plasmid libraries serving as a genotype marker. One potential caveat of the second method is that transformation and/or integration efficiency may vary between natural isolates or segregants, making large screens more difficult.

While iSeq was initially developed for yeast, Cre-*loxP* has been demonstrated to function in a wide variety of organisms including mammalian cells (Lo et al, 2003; Morin et al, 2006; Yang et al, 2011). This raises the possibility that iSeq by sequential integration could be ported to function in other cell types. Additionally, introduction of other recombination sites on either the landing pads or the integrating plasmids could allow for additional rounds of plasmid integration, thereby extending the capability of iSeq to test for higher-order interactions. While the number of orthogonal loxP variants is currently limited (Lee & Saito, 1998), additional site-specific recombination systems, such as *FLP/FRT*, *R/RS*, or *Dre/Rox* could be employed (Araki et al, 1992; Chuang et al, 2016; Schlake & Bode, 2002).

STAR Methods

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EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

Yeast Strains—All the strains used in the study were in the S288c background. The genotypes of all the constructed strains are listed in Table S5.

METHOD DETAILS

Construction of unbarcoded plasmid backbones and complex barcode

plasmid libraries—For each library, a plasmid backbone was constructed to contain one half of a split marker (*HphMX_{AF}*, *KanMX_{AF}*, *NatMX_{AF}*, or *URA3_{AI}*), a full selectable marker (*KanMX*, *HphMX*, or *NatMX*), a multicloning site, an *ampR* marker, a pBR322 bacterial origin, but no yeast replication origin). Plasmids pBAR1, pBAR6, and pBAR7 were cloned from the following sources by standard methods: 1) plasmid backbone/bacterial origin from pAG32, 2) *NatMX*, *KanMX* and *HphMX* from pAG25, pUG6 and pAG32 respectively, 3) *URA3* from pSH47, 5) artificial intron, multiple cloning site (MCS), random barcodes and lox sites were synthesized de novo (IDT). Plasmids pBAR8, pBAR9, pBAR10, pBAR11, pBAR12, pBAR13, pBAR14, pBAR15, pBAR16, pBAR17, pBAR18, and pBAR19 (Table S4) were constructed by inserting de novo synthesized gblocks (IDT) containing 5' *HphMX*, 3' *HphMX*, 5' *KanMX*, 3' *KanMX*, 5' *NatMX*, or 3' *NatMX* (Table S3) into plasmid backbones pBAR6 or pBAR7 via restriction digestion and ligation.

To insert random barcodes into pBAR plasmids, a series of oligos (PXL005, PXL006, PXL296, PXL297), each containing a unique restriction site (KpnI or BamHI or BglII), a barcode region containing random 20 nucleotides, a loxP variant (lox66 or lox5171/66) and a region of homology to pBAR1, were ordered from IDT. PXL005, paired with P23, was used to generate barcodes and lox66 to insert into pBAR7, pBAR12, pBAR19, pBAR20. PXL006, paired with P23, was used to generate barcodes and lox5171/66 to insert into pBAR6, pBAR14, pBAR15, pBAR16, pBAR17. PXL296, paired with P23, was used to generate barcodes and lox66 into pBAR10, pBAR11, pBAR13, pBAR18. PXL297, paired with P23, was used to generate barcodes and lox5171/66 into pBAR8 and pBAR9. Random sequences were limited to 5 nucleotide stretches to prevent the inadvertent generation of restriction sites. For example, to generate a *HphMX*-lox66 barcode library (pBAR7-L1), the digested PCR product derived from PXL005 was ligated into digested pBAR7. To generate a *KanMX*-lox5171/66 barcode library (pBAR6-L1), the digested PCR product derived from PXL006 was ligated into digested pBAR6. For each ligation, ~12–15 ng of pooled ligation product was electroporated into 10-beta electrocompetent cells (NEB). Cells were allowed to recover from electroporation in liquid LB media for 30 minutes and plated onto 118 (pBAR7-L1) or 93 plates (pBAR6-L1). Because the oligonucleotide library is highly complex (~4²⁰ or ~10¹² potential barcodes), it is unlikely that any two transformants contain the same barcode. We therefore estimate the complexity of each barcode library by counting the number of ampicillin-resistant colonies recovered. The pBAR7-L1 library was plated at a density of ~25,500 CFU/plate, for a total of ~3,000,000 colonies. The pBAR6-L1 library was plated at a density of ~17,000 CFU/plate, for a total of ~1,600,000 colonies. During the recovery period in liquid media, some fraction of the cells could have undergone a cell cycle, meaning that our true library complexity is likely to be less than the number of colonies we observed. Colonies of each library were scraped from plates and pooled in 500 ml LB +Carbenicillin. A fraction of each pool was used directly for plasmid preps to generate two plasmid libraries pBAR6-L1 and pBAR7-L1. For the rest of the pBAR plasmids, the primers used in the amplification of barcodes and loxP variants were described above. Following the same electroporation and recovery procedures, one barcode plasmid library was constructed for each pBAR backbone. The detail of these libraries was listed in Table S2.

iSeq toolkit strain construction—Yeast landing pad strains were constructed via four sequential gene replacements. All transformations were performed using a standard high-efficiency lithium acetate method (Gietz & Schiestl, 2007b). First, Gal-Cre-NatMX was amplified from the plasmid pBAR1 (Levy et al, 2015) using the primers (PEV8 and PEV9). This PCR product was then transformed into two S288C derivatives, BY4741 and BY4742 (Brachmann et al, 1998), creating the SHA333 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-NatMX*) and SHA319 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-NatMX*) strains (Table S5). Each strain was verified by PCR for successful integration. Second, the magic marker construct, *MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2* (Tong et al, 2004), was amplified from DNA extract from a haploid derivative of UCC8600 (Lindstrom & Gottschling, 2009) using the published primers (P14 and P15) (Tong et al, 2004). The resulting fragment was used to replace *CAN1* in SHA319 and SHA333 via homologous recombination. This insertion allows for selection of either *MAT α* or *MAT α* haploids via growth on synthetic complete (SC) media containing canavanine and lacking either histidine or leucine respectively. Correct integration was verified by PCR. Yeast strains following this replacement are SHA342 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-NatMX can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*) and SHA349 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-NatMX can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*). Third, the NatMX cassette in SHA342 and SHA349 strains was replaced with *URA3*. The *URA3* cassette was amplified from pRS426 with the PXL003 and PXL004. The PCR product was inserted into the genome by homologous recombination to create the XLY001 strain (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-URA3 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*) and XLY009 strain (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-URA3 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*). Fourth, *URA3* was replaced by homologous recombination with one of three duplex ultramers (PXL008, PXL043, PXL044), each containing a tandem loxP site. These oligos were transformed into XLY001 cells and integration was selected for via 5-Fluoroorotic Acid (5-FOA) counter selection of *URA3*. This replacement resulted in XLY003 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71-lox5171/71 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*), XLY005 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71-lox2272/71 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*) XLY011 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox2272/66-lox5171/71 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*). The sequence of all integrated tandem loxP variants was confirmed by PCR and Sanger sequencing.

To construct strains with multiple auxotrophies that also contain the necessary elements of our interaction sequencing platform, we mated the S288C derivative BY4727 (ATCC) (*MAT α his3 300 leu2 0 lys2 0 met15 0 trp1 63 ura3 0*) (Brachmann et al, 1998), to XLY003, XLY005 and XLY011. Haploid segregants were selected to contain *lys2 0*, *trp1 63*, *CAN1*, the tandem loxP sites, and the correct mating type by standard methods. Selected segregants are XLY065 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 met15 0 trp1 63 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71-lox5171/71*), XLY058 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 met15 0 trp1 63 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox2272/66-lox5171/71*) and XLY059 (*MAT α his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 met15 0 trp1 63 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71-lox2272/71*).

iSeq integration specificity—To test the specificity of the recombination between different *loxP* variants in our barcoding platform, we performed duplicate transformations of two strains containing tandem *loxP* sites, XLY005 (*lox71-lox2272/71*) and XLY011 (*lox2272/66-lox5171/71*), with 700 ng of barcode plasmids that contain no *loxP* site, a compatible *loxP* site, or an incompatible *loxP* site. XLY005 was transformed with pBAR6 (no *loxP*), pBAR7-L1 (compatible), pBAR6-L1 (incompatible). XLY011 was transformed with pBAR7 (no *loxP*), pBAR6-L1 (compatible), pBAR7-L1 (incompatible). For each transformation, $\sim 1 \times 10^8$ cells were used. Following transformation, cells were plated on YPG agar overnight. Cell lawns were replica-plated onto the appropriate selectable plates to form colonies. Colonies were counted by hand.

iSeq integration bias—For experiments that measure the impact of plasmid size on integration efficiency, we generated two barcoded libraries by inserting various sizes of non-expressing exogenous DNA fragments. Briefly, three different 1kb fragments were PCR amplified from human *KCNIP4* intronic transcript (NCBI Reference Sequence: NR_002813.1). These three 1kb fragments were used to build 1kb, 2kb, 3kb, 4kb, 5kb, 6kb inserts in the multiple cloning sites region on the backbone of pBAR7 via a series of restriction digestion and ligation reactions. The resulting plasmids with six different insert sizes were restriction digested at XhoI and NotI sites. Each of the six inserts was ligated into the cut pBAR6-L1 and pBAR7-L1 plasmid libraries. For each insert size and empty barcode vector (12 in total), 10 to 12 colonies presumably containing a unique barcode were picked and Sanger sequenced to discover the barcode. Clones were arrayed in 96-well plate and grown in LB+Carbenicillin to saturation overnight. Saturated wells of each insert size with same *loxP* site were pooled together and inoculated into 100 ml LB+Carbenicillin for overnight growth. Saturated cultures of different insert size with the same *loxP* site were pooled together for plasmid preparation using Plasmid Plus Maxi Kit (QIAGEN) to generate pBAR6-L1-Insert and pBAR7-L1-Insert libraries. To examine the insertion bias resulting from the recombination between *lox71* and *lox66*, $\sim 5 \mu\text{g}$ of pBAR6-L1 plasmid library was inserted into XLY003, resulting in $\sim 1,000$ transformants, which were pooled and transformed with $\sim 500 \mu\text{g}$ pBAR7-L1-Insert library using the large-scale transformation protocol. Cells were grown in liquid YPG + G418 for overnight galactose induction. Transformants were selected by plating cells on 62 SC-Ura plates at a density of $\sim 29,600$ CFU/plate for a total of $\sim 1.84 \times 10^6$. To examine the insertion bias resulting from the recombination between *lox5171/71* and *lox5171/66*, $\sim 2 \mu\text{g}$ of pBAR7-L1 plasmid library were inserted into XLY003, resulting in ~ 350 transformants, which were pooled and transformed with $\sim 300 \mu\text{g}$ pBAR6-L1-Insert library. Cells were grown in liquid YPG + Hyg for overnight galactose induction. Transformants were selected on 59 SC-Ura plates at a density of $\sim 28,000$ CFU/plate for a total of $\sim 1.65 \times 10^6$.

iSeq integration efficiency, mating efficiency, and recombination efficiency—The number of double barcodes that can be generated using the sequential insertion method depends on the integration efficiency via *loxP* recombination. To test this efficiency, we first generated two clonal single barcode yeast strains containing a single inserted barcoded plasmid. pBAR7-L1 and pBAR6-L1 were inserted into XLY003 to create XLY091 (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71/66-HphMX-Barcode-loxP-*

lox5171/71 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2) and XLY092 (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71-lox5171/71/66-Barcode-KanMX-lox5171 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*), respectively. XLY091 ($\sim 1 \times 10^8$ cells) and XLY092 ($\sim 1 \times 10^8$ cells) was transformed with 1 μ g pBAR6-L1 and 1 μ g pBAR7-L1, respectively. After transformation, cells were incubated in 800 μ l YPG liquid media overnight. Cell density was measured after incubation to estimate the growth during galactose induction (~ 2 generations). The lower bound assumes growth of ~ 2 generations following integration, while the upper bound assumes no growth following integration. Transformants were selected by plating cells on SC-Ura plates and the colonies were counted.

The number of double barcodes that can be generated using the mating method depends on 1) the mating efficiency, and 2) the recombination efficiency between *lox2272/71* and *lox2272/66*. To estimate these two efficiencies, we first generated two clonal single barcode yeast strains containing a single inserted barcoded plasmid. We inserted pBAR7-L1 into *MATa* XLY005 to create XLY023 (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71/66-HphMXBarcode-loxP-lox2272/71 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*) and pBAR6-L1 into *MATa* XLY011 to create XLY024 (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCrelox2272/66-lox5171/71/66-Barcode-KanMX-lox5171 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*). The two clones were grown to saturation in YPD liquid, mixed in equal volumes, and plated overnight on YPD at a density of 1×10^{10} cells/plate. Cell lawns were scraped, and cells were counted using a Z2 particle counter (Beckman Coulter) to determine the number of cell divisions that occurred on the plate (~ 1.4 generations).

To estimate the mating efficiency, we plated ~ 1000 , 2000, 3000, 4000 cells of the pool on YPD+G418+Hyg plates in triplicate. Only the mated diploids can grow on YPD +G418+Hyg. The number of colonies was then used to calculate the upper and lower bound of the mating efficiency. The lower bound assumes growth of 1.4 generations following mating, while the upper bound assumes no growth following mating. To test the recombination efficiency between *lox2272/71* and *lox2272/66*, we isolated a single diploid from the above mating, grew this clone overnight in 5 ml YPD, and collected all the cells and inoculated in 5ml YPG overnight. Cells were counted to determine the number of cells divisions that occurred during the incubation (~ 2 generations). We then plated ~ 1000 , 2000, 3000, 4000 cells from overnight cultures on SC-Ura in triplicate. The numbers of colonies on SC-Ura plates were used to calculate the recombination efficiency between the two *lox2272* variants. The lower bound assumes growth of ~ 2 generations following recombination, while the upper bound assumes no growth following recombination.

Fluctuation test for loss of split *URA3* function—A double barcoded clone containing the split *URA3* marker was grown in 5mL SC-Ura overnight to saturation. The cell number at saturation (1.5×10^8) was determined on a Coulter counter. Cells were washed with SC media twice and diluted to ~ 400 cells/ μ l. Using a LabCyte Echo acoustic liquid dispensing system, we transferred 0.1 μ l diluted cultures (~ 40 cells) and 0.9 μ l SC media into wells of a 96-well plate (12 replicate wells). Cells were grown at 30°C for 2 days in a hydration chamber. Each well was resuspended in water, spotted on 5-FOA plates, and grown at 30°C for five days. FOA-resistant (*ura3*) colonies were counted by eye. The rate of

reversion to *ura3* was calculated using bz-rates (Gillet-Markowska et al. 2015), assuming a plating efficiency of 1 and an unknown relative fitness of *ura3* vs. *URA3* cells in SC (4.68×10^{-6}).

Construction of a yeast random barcode library—To construct a yeast barcode library using the sequential insertion method, the pBAR6-L1 plasmid library (10 μ g) was transformed into $\sim 1 \times 10^8$ XLY003 cells. After transformation, cells were plated on one YPG plates overnight. The lawns were replica-plated onto YPD+G418 plates and grown for 2 days. All the cells were pooled and $\sim 1 \times 10^9$ of the pool was inoculated into 20 ml YPD +G418 liquid for overnight growth. Freshly made $2 \times$ YPD (500 ml) was inoculated with 5.5×10^9 cells from the above culture and grown for 4 hours. Cells were harvested and transformed with 900 μ g pBAR7-L1 using a large-scale high-efficiency transformation protocol (Gietz & Schiestl, 2007a). After transformation, cells were harvested and resuspended in 70 ml YPD+G418 liquid for ~ 16 hours of galactose induction. After dilution, 1/10th of the cells were plated on 192 SC-Ura plates at a density of $\sim 6,000$ CFU/plate, for a total of $\sim 1,150,000$ colonies. During the overnight galactose induction, the population underwent between 1 and 2 generations of growth, meaning that our true library complexity is likely to be less than the number of colonies we observe.

To construct a yeast barcode library using the mating method, the pBAR6-L1 plasmid library (4 μ g) and pBAR7-L1 (2 μ g) were transformed into $\sim 1 \times 10^8$ of XLY011 and XLY005 cells, respectively. After transformation, cells were plated onto YPG plates and grown overnight. The XLY011 and XLY005 transformation lawns were replica-plated on YPD +G418 and YPD+Hyg plates, respectively, and grown for 2 days. The transformants (~ 1000 for XLY011 and ~ 4000 for XLY005) were pooled and grown in 250 ml of liquid YPD+G418 or YPD+Hyg overnight. To perform the bulk mating, 5×10^{10} cells of each pool were collected and mixed. The mixture was split and plated on 10 YPD agar plates for overnight incubation. Mating pools were scraped and resuspended in YPD+G418+Hyg. The density of the pool was measured to estimate the growth of the population during the overnight mating. All the cells from the bulk mating ($\sim 1.75 \times 10^{11}$) were inoculated into 500 ml YPD +G418+Hyg liquid for overnight shaking. The culture density was measured to estimate the growth during galactose induction. We plated $\sim 11,000$ cells from the culture on SC-Ura plates in duplicate to estimate the percentage of successful recombinants in the pool. The estimation of the percentage of *URA3+* cells is used to calculate the number of unique mating and recombination events. However, because the population grew between 1 and 2 generations during both mating and galactose induction, the true number of unique mating and recombination events is likely to be less than the number we estimate. All the cells were then inoculated in 4 liters of SC-Ura liquid to enrich for double barcoded cells.

Construction of the double barcoder strain collection by REDI—We first constructed two large yeast pools with high barcode library complexities. Briefly, a single colony of XLY005 and XLY011 was grown in 50 ml YPD liquid overnight to saturation. Then 30 ml of saturated XLY005 cells ($\sim 6 \times 10^9$) and 45 ml of saturated XLY011 cells ($\sim 9 \times 10^9$) were inoculated into 1 liter and 1.5 liters of $2 \times$ YPD liquid, respectively, and grown for ~ 4 hours at 30 °C. Cells were harvested and washed twice with 25 ml of sterile water.

XLY005 and XLY011 were transformed with 1.2 mg of pBAR20-L1 and 2 mg of pBAR6-L1, respectively, using a large-scale transformation protocol (Gietz & Schiestl, 2007a). XLY005 and XLY011 transformations were washed twice with sterile water to remove the transformation mixture. Each pool was resuspended in liquid YPG at a density of $\sim 2 \times 10^8$ cells/ml and incubated at 30 °C for ~ 20 hours. The resulting pools were named XLY005 + BC (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 met15 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71/66-KanMX-5'URA3-Barcode-loxP-lox2272/71 can1::MFApr1-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*) and XLY011 + BC (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox2272/66-lox5171/71/66-Barcode-3'URA3-KanMX-lox5171 can1::MFA1pr-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2*). XLY005 + BC and XLY011 + BC were washed with water and frozen in aliquots at -80°C . A ROTOR HDA (SINGER instruments) was used to assist the colony picking and arraying. Briefly, a vial of frozen XLY005 + BC or XLY011 + BC transformed pools was dissolved in 1 ml water. After measuring the density, $\sim 3 \times 10^6$ XLY005 + BC cells or $\sim 6 \times 10^6$ XLY011 + BC cells were plated on one YPD + 2 x G418 square plate (400 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ G418). A high concentration of G418 helps to reduce the background of nontransformants or non-integrants. After a ~ 48 -hour incubation at 30°C, colonies were picked and arrayed into 96 or 384-well plates by ROTOR HDA using plate imaging on a flatbed scanner and a home-made MATLAB colony picking algorithm. Non-transformants, non-integrants and colonies in close proximity were filtered out by using colony size and shape thresholds. The above process was repeated to obtain $\sim 14,000$ and $\sim 18,000$ colonies for XLY005 + BC and XLY011 + BC, respectively. To identify the barcodes in each well, we applied the REDI strategy (Smith et al, 2017). We typically mated any unknown plate to two plates of the opposite mating type with “known” barcodes at each position. After 24-hours on YPD agar plates, colonies were replica-plated onto the selection plates (SC - Met - Lys - Ura + Galactose) to allow recombined diploids to grow. After a 96-hour incubation at 30°C, colonies on each plate were pooled with 5 ml water, and frozen in -20°C . Frozen cells were thawed, and DNA was purified using MasterPure™ Yeast DNA Purification Kit (Epicentre). Barcode PCR and sequencing was performed on each pool, as described below. Double barcodes from each mated pair were sequenced at $>100\times$ coverage, and first and second barcodes were independently clustered using Bartender (default settings) (Zhao et al, 2017). Because the physical location of all “known” barcodes on an array is known *a priori*, a double barcode read unambiguously identifies the position of an “unknown” barcode on the complementary array. To eliminate wells that could contain two or more “unknown” barcodes from the arrays, we selected wells that contained one and only one “unknown” barcode (a single Bartender cluster) across both mated plates (>200 reads total) to re-array. These re-arrayed colonies are the “double barcoder” collection (Table S8 and S9).

Construction of an iSeq library for protein-protein interaction screening—

Overview: To demonstrate that the iSeq 2.0 toolkit can adapt existing yeast libraries for use with barcode-based combinatorial screens, we mated the double-barcoder strains to strains from the protein interactome collection (Tarassov et al, 2008). The protein-interactome collection has been previously used to perform large-scale Protein-fragment Complementation Assays (PCAs). These assays use an arrayed mating strategy to test for Protein-Protein Interactions (PPIs) via reconstruction of murine DiHydroFolate Reductase (mDHFR) marker fragments, which confer resistance to the drug methotrexate. Protein

interactome strains were mated to the appropriate mating type from the double-barcode collection, diploids were sporulated, and haploids with the same mating type as the original protein interactome strain were selected (Figure S4A). These barcoded versions of the protein interactome strains were then mated in pools to construct diploid double barcode strains. Using this method, we constructed a set of strains containing protein pairs that have been previously used to benchmark PPI assays in yeast (Yu et al, 2008). Among these are 70 well-documented yeast protein-protein interaction pairs (positive reference set or PRS) and 67 random pairs (random reference set or RRS), each represented by 2–8 unique double barcodes (898 total). Besides the double barcode at the iSeq locus, each strain contains a pair of complementary mDHFR fragments that are in frame and C-terminal to the two genes of interest. In addition, we constructed positive control strains that contain the complete mDHFR gene (10 barcodes) and negative control strains that lack any mDHFR fragment (100 barcodes). We pooled all strains and grew them for 9 generations in serial batch culture in synthetic complete media that does or does not contain 0.5 ug/ml methotrexate, diluting 1:8 every ~3 generations. We sequenced double barcode amplicons at each time point and used the double barcode trajectories to estimate the relative fitness of each strain in the pool (Li et al, 2018). Consistent with our previous version of iSeq (Schlecht et al, 2017), we could not detect any fitness differences between genotypes in the absence of methotrexate (all trajectories are flat, Figure S4E, F, G, H). However, in the presence of methotrexate, significant fitness differences between double barcodes were detected (Figures S4B, C, D). To determine if a protein pair physically interacted, we performed a Student's t-test of all fitness measures of a protein pair against all fitness measures of the 100 negative control strains (-mDHFR) and defined a positive PPI as $p < 10^{-10}$ (Bonferroni corrected). We found 14.3% and 1.5% positive PPIs in the PRS and RRS, respectively (Figure S4L). These values roughly correspond to the true positive and false positive rates, respectively, and are similar to traditional Y2H and PCA assays.

To generate positive control strains containing a full length of mDHFR, the DHFR[1,2] fragment was cloned from the plasmid of pAG25 linker-DHFR[1,2]-NatMX (Tarassov et al, 2008) with the primers of pZL071 and PZL072. The plasmid of pAG32 linker-DHFR[3]-HphMX (Tarassov et al, 2008) was linearized with primers of pZL073 and pZL074. Then, the two PCR products were assembled by Gibson assembly to form a new plasmid that contains the full mDHFR sequence (pAG32 linker-DHFR-HphMX). We then used primers pZL065 and pZL070 to PCR the fragment containing linker-mDHFR-HphMX from this plasmid. The linker-DHFR-HphMX cassette was then subcloned into pS413 TEF1pr-His3 between BamHI and XhoI restriction sites 5' to the TEF1pr sequence, creating the pS413 TEF1pr-linker-DHFR-HphMX plasmid. This plasmid was used to create homologous recombination cassette for *HO* locus by PCR using 5' and 3' oligonucleotides consisting of 40-nucleotide sequences homologous to the upstream and downstream sequences of *HO*. The TEF1pr-linker-DHFR-HphMX cassette was placed at the *ho* locus in BY4742 (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 lys2 0 ura3 0*) via homologous recombination. We mated this strain with 10 different *MATa* barcode strains on YPD plates at 30°C for 24 h, selected for diploids on YPD+clonNat+Hyg+G418 plates at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated onto sporulation plates using the Singer ROTOR HDA (Baryshnikova et al, 2010), incubated at room temperature for 7 days, replicated onto SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-Leu+Canavanine+G418+Hyg plates, incubated

at 30 °C for a week, and replicated into SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-Leu+Canavanine+G418+Hyg liquid media and incubated at 30 °C for 96 h. This procedure resulted in 10 barcoded *MATa* methotrexate-resistant strains (*MATa his3 1 leu2 0 ura3 0 ybr209w::GalCre-lox71/66-KanMX-3'URA3-Barcode-loxP-lox2272/71*

can1::MFApr1-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2 ho::mDHFR-HphMX). Each of these 10 barcoded *MATa* methotrexate-resistant strains was mated with one of 10 barcoded *MATa* strains (10 mating pairs). Matings were performed on YPD plates at 30 °C for 24 h, diploids were selected on YPD + Hyg + clonNat plates at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated onto SC-Met-Lys-Ura +Galactose plates, incubated at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated into SC-Ura+G418+Hyg+clonNat liquid media, incubated at 30 °C for 48 h, and pooled together to form the final pool of 10 barcoded methotrexate-resistant diploid strains.

To generate the negative control strains lacking mDHFR, the NatMX and HphMX were amplified from plasmids of pAG25-linker-DHFR[1,2]-NatMX and pAG32-linker-DHFR[3]-HphMX using primers containing 40-bp that are homologous to the upstream and downstream of *HO*. The resulting cassettes were integrated into BY4741 and BY4742, respectively. Using the mating and sporulation protocol described above, we mated BY4741-derived strain to 20 different barcoded *MATa* strains on YPD plates, selected diploids on YPD + Hyg + clonNat plates, induced meiosis, and selected haploid clones containing 20 different barcodes (*MATaybr209w:: GalCre-lox2272/66-lox5171/71/66-Barcode-5'URA3-KanMX-lox5171 can1::MFApr1-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2 ho::NatMX his3 1 leu2 0 ura3 0*) on SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-His+Canavanine+G418+clonNat plates. Similarly, we mated BY4742-derived strain to 10 different *MATa* barcode strains on YPD plates, selected diploids on YPD + Hyg + clonNat plates, induced meiosis, and selected haploid clones containing 10 different barcodes (*MATaybr209w:: GalCre-lox71/66-KanMX-3'URA3-Barcode-loxP-lox2272/71*

can1::MFApr1-HIS3-MFa1pr-LEU2 Ho::HphMX his3 1 leu2 0 ura3 0) on SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-Leu+Canavanine+G418+Hyg plates. Each of the 10 barcoded *MATa* methotrexate-sensitive strains was mated with each of the 10 barcoded *MATa* methotrexate-sensitive strains (100 mating pairs) on YPD plates at 30 °C for 24 h, selected on YPD + Hyg + clonNat plates at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated onto SC-Met-Lys-Ura+Gal plates, incubated at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated into SCUra+G418+Hyg+clonNat liquid media, incubated at 30 °C for 48 h, and pooled together to form the final pool of 100 barcoded methotrexate-sensitive diploid strains

To benchmark the performance of our barcode-based PPI assay, we used a set of 70 likely yeast protein-protein interaction pairs [“positive reference set” (PRS)] and a set of 67 random pairs [“random reference set” (RRS)] that have been used previously for benchmarking. We picked bait and prey versions of ORF-DHFR fragment fusion strains involved in PRS and RRS from Yeast Protein Interactome Collection (Dharmacon, YSC5849) (Tarasov et al, 2008) with the Singer ROTOR HDA robot. We mated each bait and prey strain with two barcoded strains from our double barcoder library on YPD plates at 30 °C for 24 h, selected on YPD+clonNat+G418 plates at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated onto sporulation plates using the Singer ROTOR HDA, incubated at room temperature for 7 days,

transferred onto SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-His+Canavanine+G418+clonNat plates, incubated at 30 °C for 96 h, replicated into SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-His+Canavanine+G418+clonNat liquid media, and incubated at 30 °C for 96 h. Similarly, each bait *MATa* ORF-DHFR[3] strain was mated with two *MATa* barcode strains on YPD plates at 30 °C for 24 h, selected on YPD+clonNat+Hyg+G418 plates at 30 °C for 48 h, replicated onto sporulation plates and incubated at room temperature for 7 days, transferred on to SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-Leu+Canavanine+G418+Hyg plates and incubated at 30 °C for a week, and replicated into SC-Met-Lys-Cys-Arg-Leu+Canavanine+G418+Hyg liquid media and incubated at 30 °C for 96 h. The PRS, RRS, negative controls and positive controls were grown to saturation separately in SC-Ura media. These four pools were mixed at $\sim 2 \times 10^4$: 2×10^4 : 1×10^4 : 1 ratio in cell numbers as a single pool. Cells of this pool ($\sim 6.25 \times 10^7$ cells) were inoculated into both SC+DMSO and SC+Methotrexate in triplicate. Cells were grown for five days by serial dilution, bottlenecking $\sim 1:8$ every 24 hours. Cells grew ~ 3 generations between each transfer for a total ~ 9 generations of growth.

Barcode-based combinatorial screening of yeast ORFs—Overview: To demonstrate that the iSeq toolkit can quantitatively screen added DNA elements of various sizes, we added pairs of plasmids, each of which contains an auxotrophic marker (*HIS3*, *LEU2*, *MET15*, *LYS2*, and *TRP1*), to yeast strains that lack all of these markers. To measure these fitness effects in both haploid and diploid yeast, we constructed barcoded auxotrophic rescue libraries using both the sequential integration method and the mating method (at least 56 unique barcode pairs per combination) and assayed the fitness of each strain in 12 different growth conditions that either include all amino acids (YPD and SC), or exclude one or two amino acids. We found that fitness estimates of double barcodes correlate well across replicate cultures ($0.84 < r < 0.98$, Pearson's r , Figures S5A, B), double barcodes representing the same combination of ORFs integrated in the same orientation (Pearson's $0.68 < r < 0.82$, Figures S5E and S5G), and the opposite orientation (Pearson's $0.66 < r < 0.79$, Figures S5F and S5H). Fitness changes were as expected in both haploids and diploids, with diploid rescues generally causing greater fitness increases (Figures S5C and S5D).

We first generated two barcoded auxotrophic rescue libraries by inserting various ORFs that rescue common yeast auxotrophies into pBAR6-L1 and pBAR7-L1. The *MET15*, *HIS3*, *TRP1*, *LEU2*, *LYS2* ORFs were PCR amplified from pRS421, pRS423, pRS424, pRS425, D1433 his3::LYS2 Disrupter Converter plasmids, respectively (Brachmann et al, 1998; Christianson et al, 1992; Voth et al, 2003). All five ORFs were inserted into pBAR6-L1 or pBAR7-L1 by Gibson Assembly. Briefly, ORFs were amplified with primers that extended the amplicon 20 base pairs at 5' end and 21 base pairs at the 3' end (Table S3). Extended 5' and 3' regions are homologous to sequences in the destination plasmids flanking *NheI* and *BclI* restriction sites, respectively. Each library was linearized using the *NheI* and *BclI* restriction sites and plasmids were assembled to contain each ORF. Assembled plasmids were inserted into DH5 α bacteria by chemical transformation. For each ORF insertion and for plasmids containing a barcode but no ORF, 8–10 clones were picked, and Sanger sequenced to discover the unique barcode. Clones were arrayed in 96-well plates and grown in 200 μ l of LB+Carbenicillin to saturation overnight. Saturated cells containing clones with the same loxP site were combined and inoculated into 500 ml LB+Carbenicillin liquid for

plasmid preparation using the Plasmid Plus Maxi Kit (QIAGEN). Final libraries, pBAR6-L1-AuxR and pBAR7-L1-AuxR, containing 53 and 52 barcodes, respectively, were subsequently used to generate yeast genomic double barcode libraries.

To insert the first barcoded auxotrophic rescue library into the genome of a haploid, ~60 µg of pBAR6-L1-AuxR plasmid library (53 barcodes) was inserted into XLY065, resulting in ~45,000 transformation events. Transformants were grown for 2 days on selectable media. All the cells were pooled and 1×10^9 of the pool was inoculated into 20 ml YPD+G418 liquid for overnight. Then, $\sim 4.4 \times 10^9$ cells from the above culture were inoculated into freshly made 500 ml $2 \times$ YPD for 4 hours and transformed with ~1 mg of pBAR7-L1-AuxR using the same large-scale transformation protocol as above. Cells were grown in liquid YPG + G418 for galactose induction overnight. Transformants were selected by plating cells on 78 SC-Ura plates at a density of ~200,000 CFU/plate for a total of $\sim 1.6 \times 10^7$ colonies. Colonies from ten plates were pooled together ($\sim 2 \times 10^6$) and stored in cryogenic vials with 25% glycerol ($\sim 1.68 \times 10^9$ cells/vial) at -80°C .

To construct a diploid double barcode library, we first transformed XLY059 (*MATa*) with pBAR7-L1-AuxR and XLY058 (*MATα*) with pBAR6-L1-AuxR, resulting in ~15,000 and ~10,000 transformants, respectively. XLY059 and XLY058 transformants were then pooled and mated on three YPD plates as described above, generating in excess of 7×10^5 mating events. All transformants were pooled together and stored cryogenic vials with 25% glycerol ($\sim 1.33 \times 10^9$ cells/vial) at -80°C .

One stock vial of each auxotrophic rescue yeast barcode library described above containing $\sim 1.68 \times 10^9$ (haploid) and 1.33×10^9 (diploid) cells, respectively, was inoculated into 45 ml SCUra media and grown to saturation. Triplicate 5 ml cultures of media lacking zero (YPD and SC), one (SC-Lys, SC-Leu, SC-Met, SC-Trp, SC-His), or two (SC-Met-Leu, SC-Met-His, SC-His-Trp, SC-Lys-Trp, SC-His-Leu) amino acids were inoculated with 625 µl saturated culture ($\sim 1.2 \times 10^8$ (haploid) and $\sim 1.4 \times 10^8$ (diploid) cells) of each library (Cysteine was also dropped out in media lacking methionine to select for *MET15*). Cells were grown for five days by serial dilution, bottlenecking ~1:8 every 24 hours. Cells grew ~3 generations between each transfer for a total ~12 generations of growth. We found that fitness differences caused by the *MET15* ORF were extremely subtle. A likely explanation for this is that the *MET15* ORF we used (Brachmann et al, 1998) has been reported to incompletely rescue a met15 auxotroph (Cost & Boeke, 1998). In support of this, we found that combinations that contain a Null plasmid (e.g. Null/*TRP1*) generally cluster closely with combinations that have replaced the Null with the *MET15* ORF (e.g. *MET15/TRP1*). Because of this problem with the *MET15* ORF, we excluded it from our dosage analysis.

Quantitative barcode PCR and amplicon sequencing—Genomic DNA from cells at each transfer was prepared using MasterPure™ Yeast DNA Purification Kit (Epicentre). A two-step PCR was performed, as described (Levy et al, 2015) with modifications. First, 2–3 cycles PCR with OneTaq polymerase (New England Biolabs) was performed. Generally, we amplified 100–500 ng of genomic DNA in a single 50 µl PCR reaction to ensure efficient amplification. Primers (Table S3 Primer list) for this reaction following these formats:

Forward:

ACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTNNNNNNNNNXXXXTTAATATGG
ACTAAAGGAGGCTTTT

Reverse:

CTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTNNNNNNNNNXXXXTCGAATTCAAG
CTTAGATCTGATA. The Ns in these sequences correspond to any random nucleotide and are used in the downstream analysis to remove skew in the counts caused by PCR jackpotting. The Xs correspond to a one of several multiplexing tags, which allows different samples to be distinguished when loaded on the same sequencing flow cell. The complete list of all primers used in barcode amplicon PCR can be found in Table S3. To minimize the sampling bias during the first PCR, we amplified a minimum of ~500 genome copies per barcode or double barcode in each sample. Therefore, the total amount of template per sample depended on the size of the library. For small libraries (<60,000 barcodes in haploid or <30,000 barcodes in diploid) such as the auxotrophic rescue library, 100 ng (haploid) or 200 ng (diploid) template was used in a single PCR reaction. For larger libraries, multiple PCR reactions were performed, each of which was following the rule of thumb described above. Depending on the size of the library, two different PCR cleanup protocols were used. For small ones, A simple magnetic bead solution with “SeraPure Beads” protocol from (DeAngelis et al, 1995; Rohland & Reich, 2012) and Sera-Mag SpeedBeads (Thermo) was used to enrich target barcode amplicons. Briefly, a 0.6x volume (30µl) of beads solution was added to the PCR tube to precipitate the large template DNA. Then, the resulting supernatant was collected and added with a 1.2x volume (60 µl) of beads solution to precipitate the small barcode amplicons. After size selection, PCR products were eluted into 33 µl of water. For larger ones, PCR products from multiple 50ul reactions were pooled and cleaned using NucleoSpin columns (Macherey-Nagel) and eluted into 33 µl of water. A second 23–25 cycles PCR was performed with PrimeStar HS polymerase (Takara), with 33 µl of cleaned product from the first PCR as template and 50 µl total volume per tube. Primers for this reaction were the standard Illumina paired-end ligation primers (PE1 and PE2). PCR products were cleaned using “SeraPure Beads” and quantitated by Bioanalyzer (Agilent) and Qubit fluorometry (Life Technologies). Cleaned amplicons were pooled and paired end sequenced on an Illumina MiSeq, HiSeq or NextSeq with 25% PhiX DNA spike-in. Sequencing reads were clustered into barcodes by using Bartender with default parameters (Zhao et al, 2017).

Fitness Estimation—Lineage trajectories for each double barcode were used to estimate the fitness using the Fit-Seq software, which uses a likelihood maximization strategy (Li et al, 2018). In the auxotrophic rescue experiment, the fitness of each double barcode was calculated relative to the fitness of strains containing two barcoded empty vectors (no auxotrophic rescue ORF, 100 double barcodes in total).

Validation of split MX cassettes—To test the functionality of all three split drug cassettes (*HphMX_{AF}*, *KanMX_{AF}*, *NatMX_{AD}*), we performed a series of transformations. First, we first transformed XLY003 with three different plasmids (BXL121, BXL122 and

BXL124), each of which contains a full drug marker and 3' half of a different drug marker. Single clones of the resulting transformants were isolated to generate XLY082 (3' *HphMX_{AD}*), XLY083 (3' *NatMX_{AD}*) and XLY085 (3' *KanMX_{AD}*), respectively. To test the *HphMX_{AD}*, XLY082 was transformed with 1 µg of BXL149 (5' *HphMX_{AD}-KanMX*), or BXL147 (5' *KanMX_{AD}-HphMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected by plating on YPD+Hyg plates. To test the *NatMX_{AD}*, XLY083 was transformed with 1µg of BXL162 (5' *NatMX_{AD}-KanMX*), or BXL169 (5' *HphMX_{AD}-NatMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected by plating on YPD+clonNat plates. To test the *KanMX_{AD}*, XLY085 was transformed with 1µg of BXL147 (5' *KanMX_{AD}-HphMX*), or BXL149 (5' *HphMX_{AD}-KanMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected by replica-plating on YPD+G418 plates. In addition, we tested the split markers by integrating 5' half of the cassettes first by transforming XLY003 with three different plasmids (BXL164, BXL147 and BXL149). Isolated single clones of the resulting transformants from above were XLY088 (5' *NatMX_{AD}*), XLY089 (5' *HphMX_{AD}*) and XLY090 (5' *KanMX_{AD}*), respectively. To test the *NatMX_{AD}*, XLY088 was transformed with 1µg of BXL122 (3' *NatMX_{AD}-KanMX*), or BXL160 (3' *KanMX_{AD}-NatMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected by plating on YPD+clonNat plates. To test the *HphMX_{AD}*, XLY089 was transformed with 1µg of BXL133 (3' *HphMX_{AD}-NatMX*), or BXL123 (3' *NatMX_{AD}-HphMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected by plating on YPD+Hyg plates. To test the *KanMX_{AD}*, XLY090 was transformed with 1µg of BXL124 (3' *KanMX_{AD}-HphMX*), or BXL122 (3' *NatMX_{AD}-KanMX*) and incubated in liquid 800 µl YPG overnight. Transformants were selected on YPD+G418 plates. Colonies were counted by hand. Transformations that reconstruct drug resistance markers result in fewer integrants than those that reconstruct *URA3_{AD}*, and integration rates are usually lower for split markers (e.g. *HphMX_{AD}*) than for full markers (e.g. *HphMX*). Nevertheless, insertion rates for split drug markers are sufficient to generate >500,000 integrants from a typical plasmid maxiprep (1 mg).

Quantification and Statistical Analysis—Statistical correlations were computed by Pearson correlation tests, comparison between groups were computed by two-sided Student t-tests. All Pearson's r values are indicated in the figures.

Data availability—The raw read counts, estimated fitness, and protein pair or genotype of each double barcode in PPI screen and ORF screen can be found in Table S6 and S7, respectively. The *MAT α* and *MAT β* barcoder strain collections can be in Table S8 and S9, respectively.

Supplementary Material

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Highlights

- A modular and interchangeable platform for pooled interaction screening in yeast
- Compatible with exogenous DNA, engineered genomic modifications, or cell genotypes
- Includes 15 compatible barcoded plasmid libraries with various split markers
- Includes an array of ~24,000 “double-barcode” yeast strains

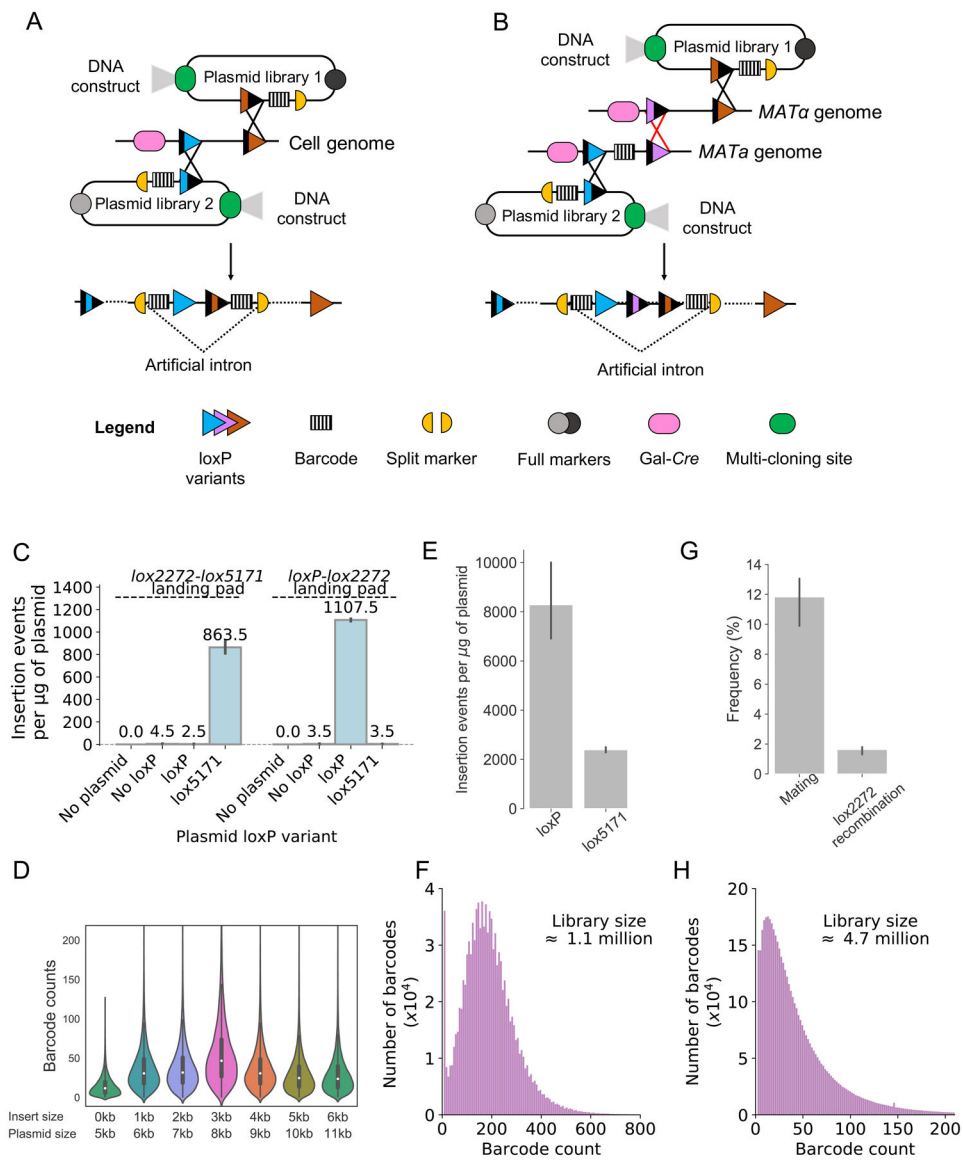


Figure 1. iSeq 2.0 mechanism, construction fidelity, bias and scalability.

(A and B) Plasmids are introduced into the yeast genome via *Cre-loxP*-mediated recombination. The black “X”s between *loxP* sites indicate separate yeast transformations, and can occur in either order. Each integrating plasmid contains a *loxP* variant (*loxP*, blue, or *lox5171*, brown), half of a split selectable marker (*URA3_{AE}*, *KanMX_{AE}*, *HphMX_{AE}*, or *NatMX_{AE}*, yellow), a full selectable marker (*KanMX*, *HphMX*, or *NatMX*, grey), a random barcode, and a multi-cloning site that can be used to insert genetic constructs prior to yeast transformation. Darkened regions in *loxP* variants indicate a mutation in one palindromic arm. Variants with mutations in both arms (2 darkened regions) recombine at a greatly reduced rate, driving formation of double barcode constructs (Zhang & Lutz, 2002). The recombination events also reconstruct a split selectable marker, separated by an artificial intron containing the barcodes and *loxP* variants. By the sequential integration method (A), integration of two plasmids forms a 140 base pair *barcode-lox-lox-barcode*. By the mating

method **(B)**, plasmids are integrated into *MAT α* and *MAT α* cells. *MAT α* and *MAT α* cells are mated and induced to recombine a third loxP variant (lox2272, purple, red “X”), bringing the integrated plasmids to the same chromosome and forming a 195 base pair *barcode-lox-lox-lox-barcode*.

(C) Number of insertion events from transformations into yeast containing two tandem *loxP* variants (*lox2272-lox5171* or *loxP-lox2272*). Transformations are performed with no plasmid, or plasmids containing no *loxP* variant, a *loxP* variant, or a *lox5171* variant. Note that different selection markers are used for each landing pad (STAR Methods), so insertion numbers are not comparable between *loxP* variants.

(D) Pools of barcoded plasmids containing various sized inserts were integrated into yeast at the *loxP* variant in the landing pad. Violin plots show the distribution of barcode counts at each plasmid size. The width of each violin is fixed, and violin areas are not proportional to the number of barcodes.

(E) The number insertion events per μg plasmid DNA for plasmids containing a *loxP* or a *lox5171* site. URA3_{AI} reconstruction is selected for in both cases.

(F) A histogram of the number of reads per barcode for a yeast library containing ~1.1 million barcodes, constructed by the sequential insertion method. Median = 179, SD = 111.

(G) Lower bound of the rate of mating and reciprocal translocation between homologous chromosomes from a high-density mating protocol.

(H) A histogram of the number of reads per barcode for a yeast library containing ~4.7 million barcodes, constructed by the mating method. Median = 33, SD = 66.

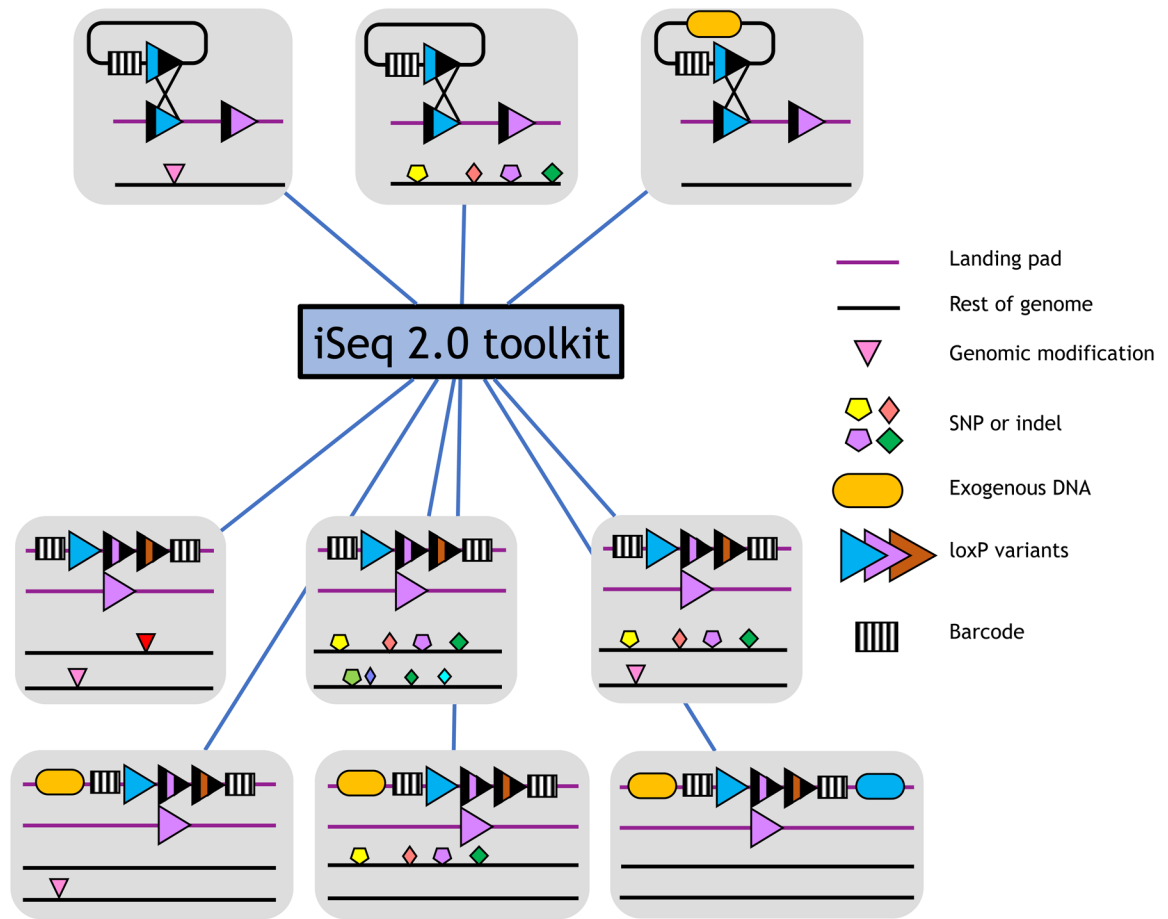


Figure 2. Potential combinatorial screens with iSeq 2.0.

Top: a barcode marks a potential interaction partner. A potential interaction partner can be an engineered genomic modification (left), a genotype (middle), or an exogenous DNA construct (right). Bottom: six potential combinatorial libraries generated using the iSeq mating method. All potential interaction partner libraries on plasmids or in yeast are intercompatible, meaning that constructed libraries can be reused for novel screens.

KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
Bacterial and Virus Strains		
DH5a Competent cells	Invitrogen	18265017
NEB 10-betaelectrocompetent cells	NEB	C3020K
Chemicals, Peptides, and Recombinant Proteins		
G418 solution (50 mg/mL)	Sigma	4727878001
Hygromycin B	ThermoFisher	10687010
Nourseothricin	Jena Bioscience	AB-102XL
Carbenicillin disodium	Sigma	4800-94-6
5-Fluoroorotic Acid Monohydrate (5-FOA)	US Biological	F5050
Critical Commercial Assays		
Gibson Assembly Cloning Kit	NEB	E5510S
PrimeStar HS DNA Polymerase	Clontech	R010
Deposited Data		
Protein-protein interaction barcode counts and estimated fitnesses	This paper	Table S6
ORF rescue barcode counts and estimated fitnesses	This paper	Table S7
MAT α barcoder strain collection	This paper	Table S8
MAT α barcoder strain collection	This paper	Table S9
Experimental Models: Organisms/Strains		
See Table S5 for yeast strains and genotypes	This paper	Table S5
Oligonucleotides		
See Table S3 for primer sequences	This paper	Table S3
Recombinant DNA		
See Table S4 for plasmid sequences	This paper	Table S4
Software and Algorithms		
Bartender	Zhao et al., 2017	https://github.com/LaoZZZZZ/bartender-1.1
Fit-Seq	Li et al., 2018	https://github.com/sashaflevy/Fit-Seq