



Population-level integration of single-cell datasets enables multi-scale analysis across samples

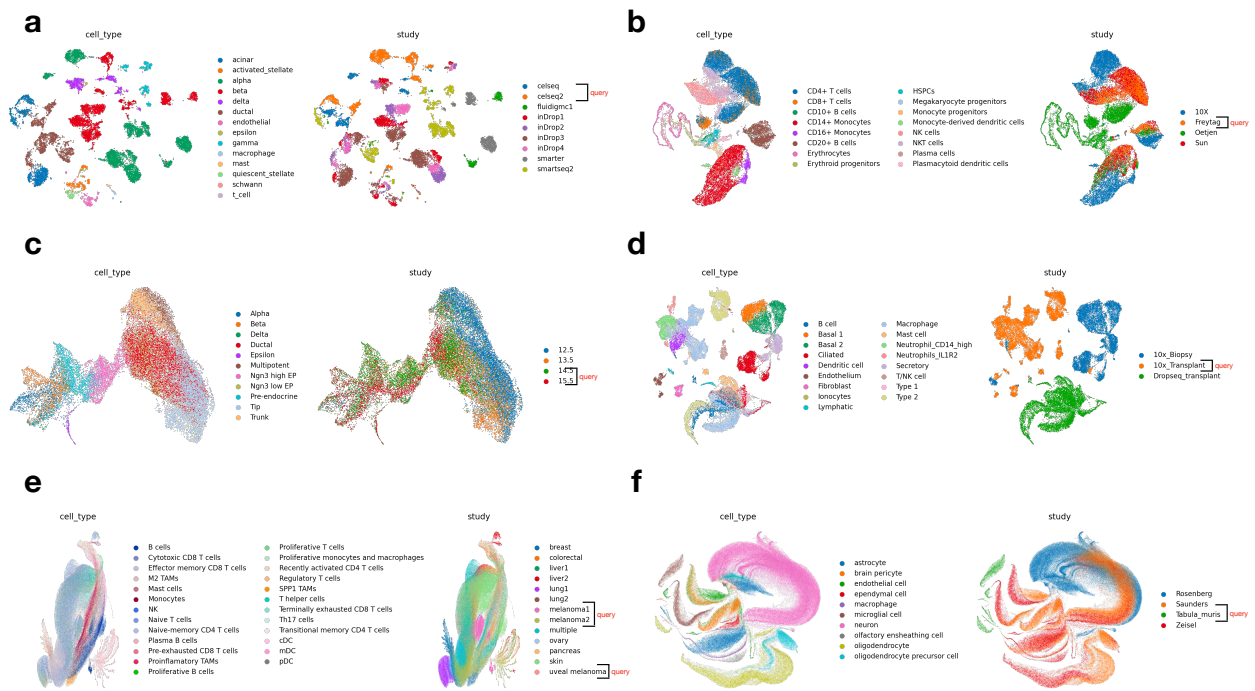
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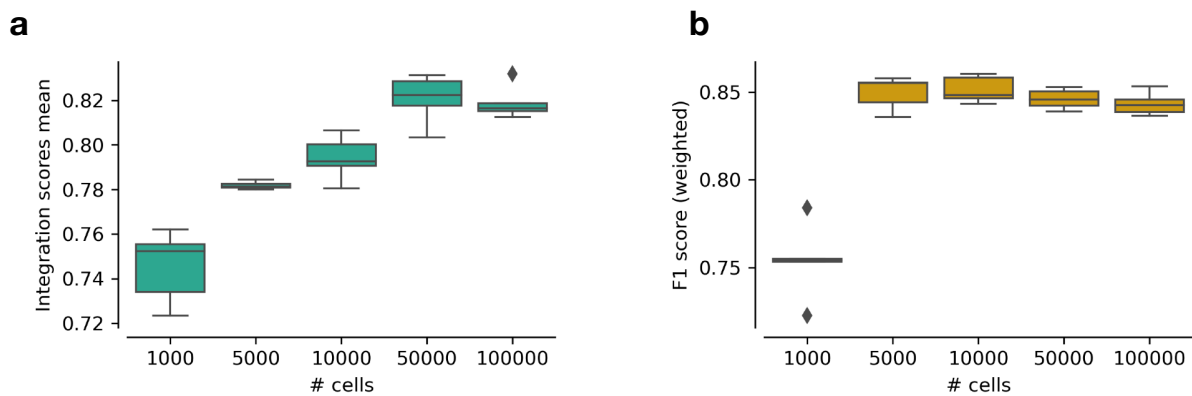
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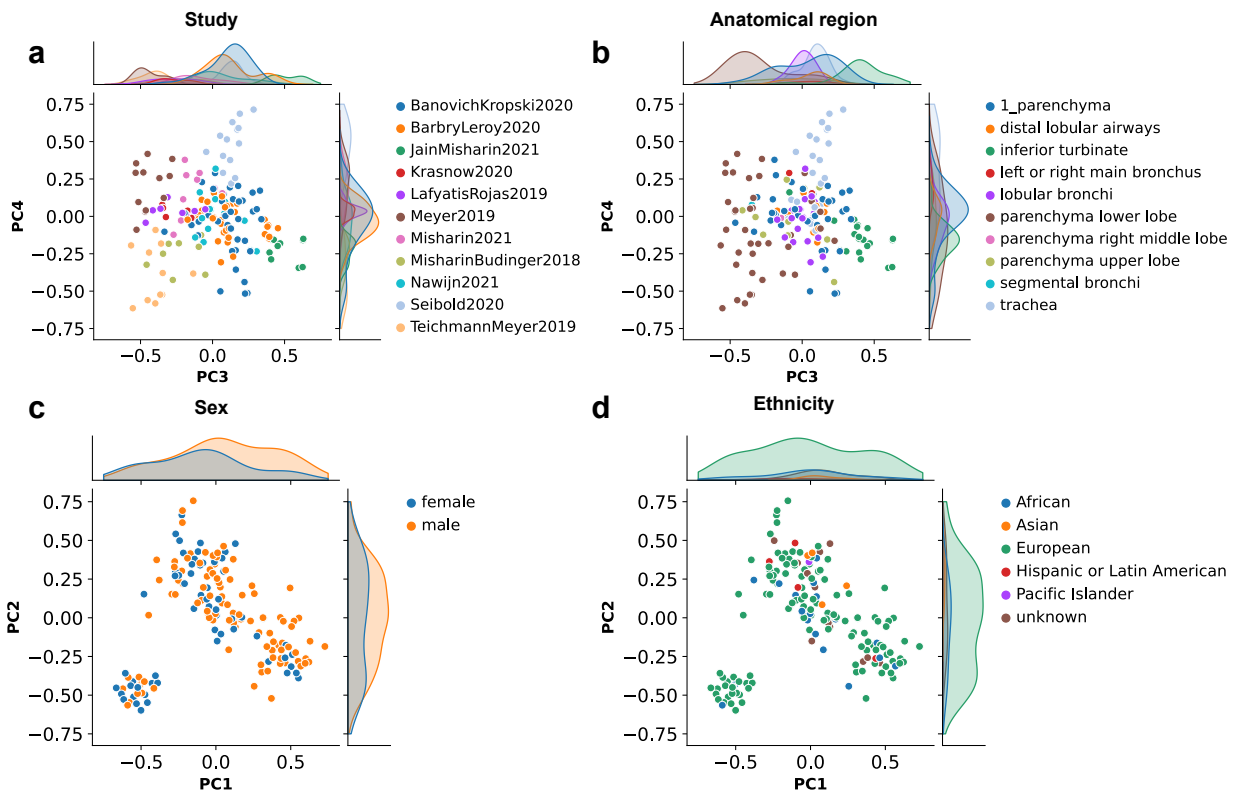
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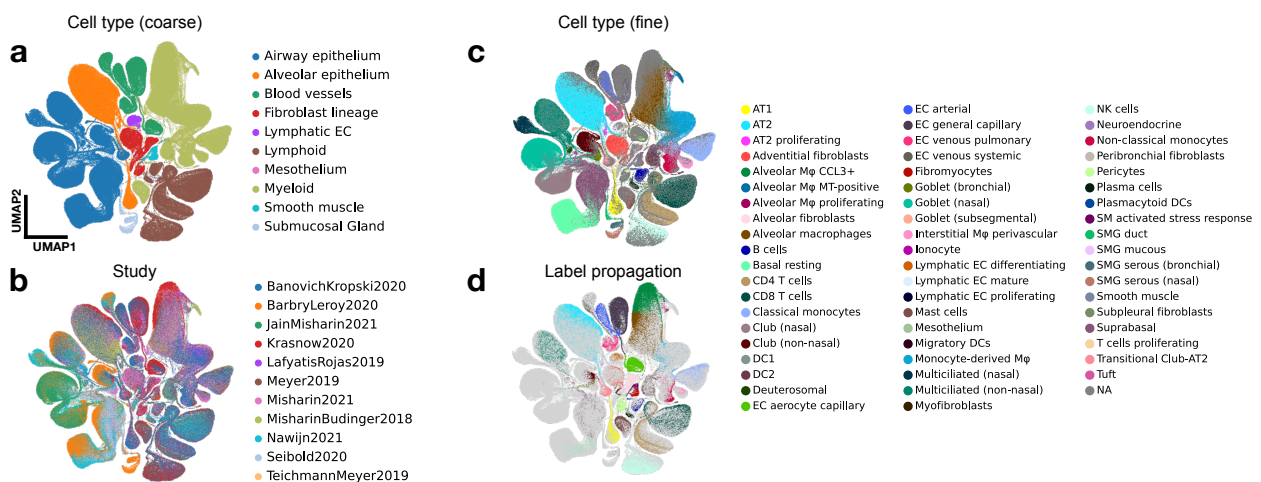
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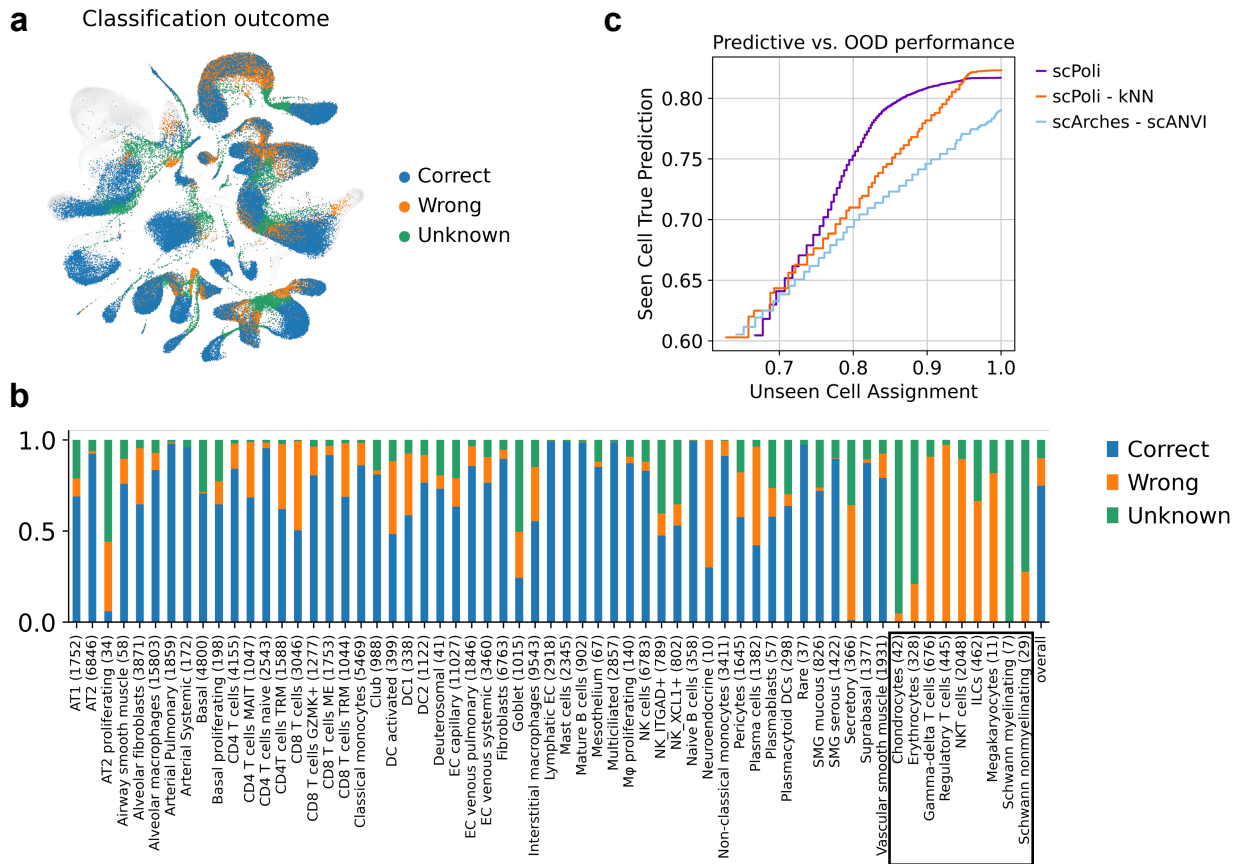
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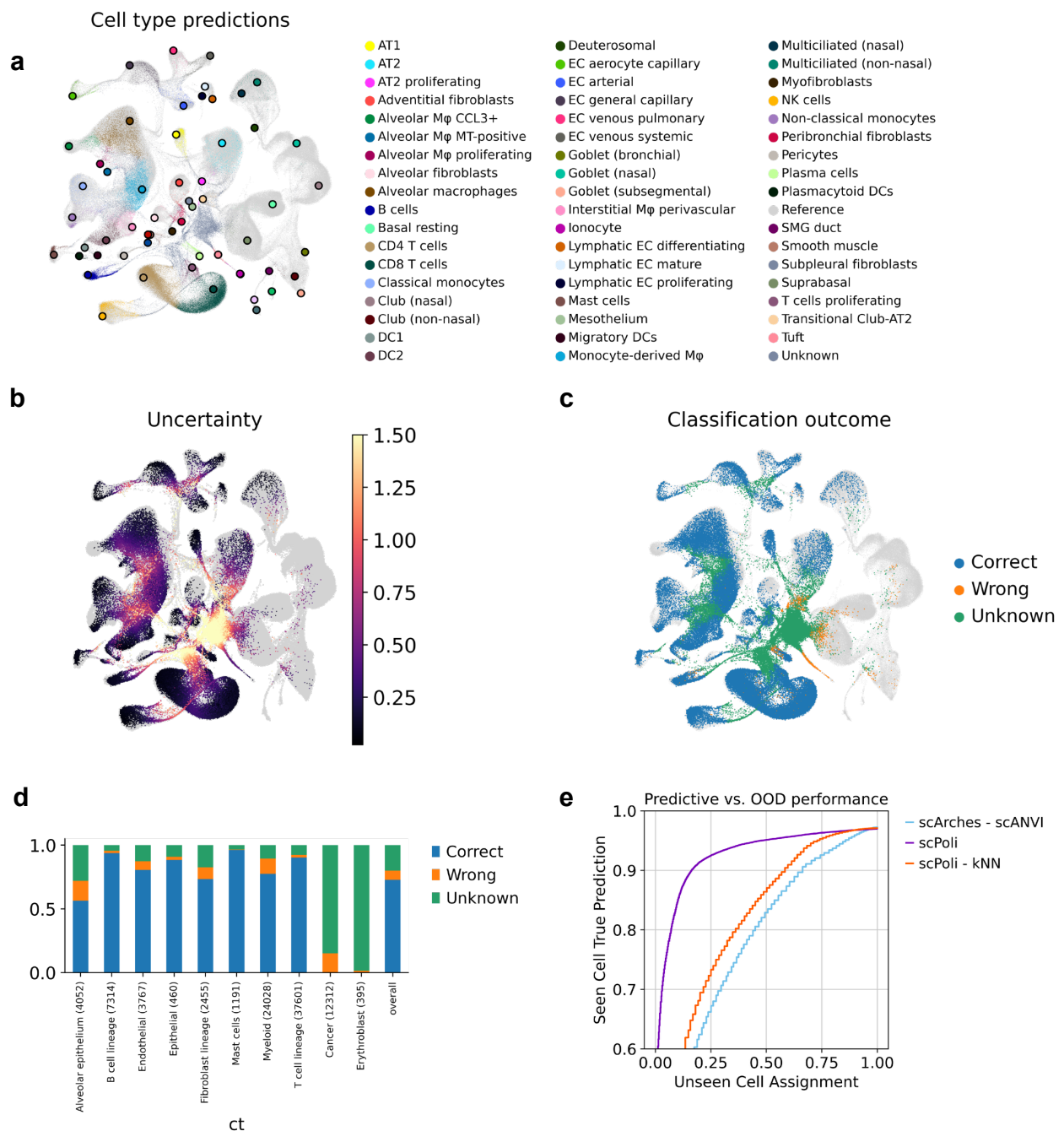
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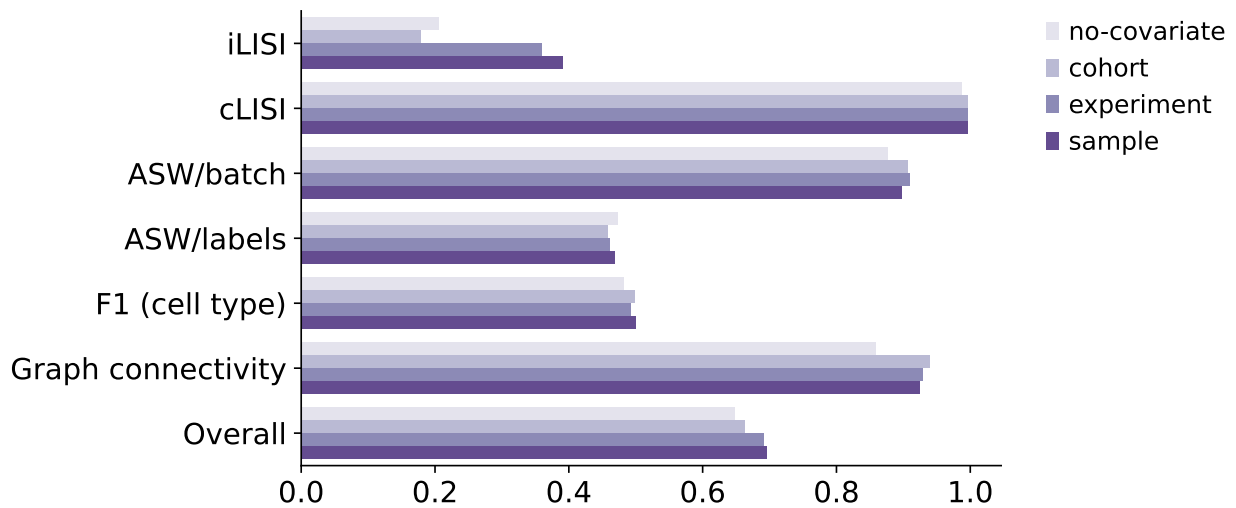
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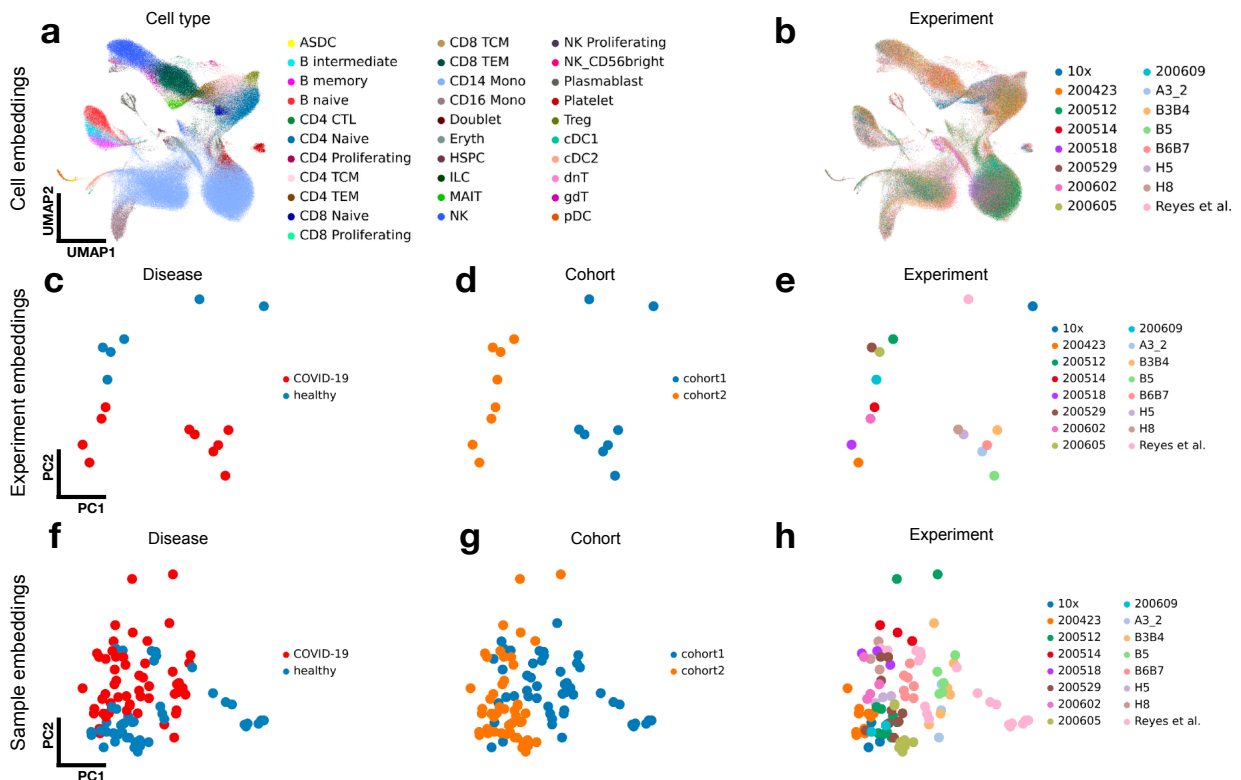
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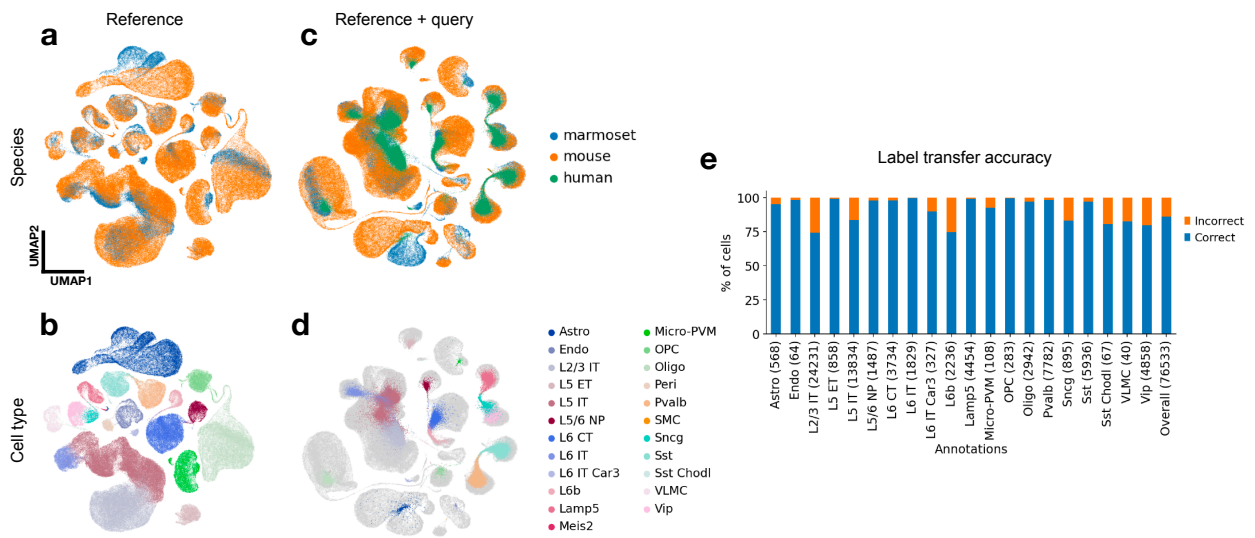
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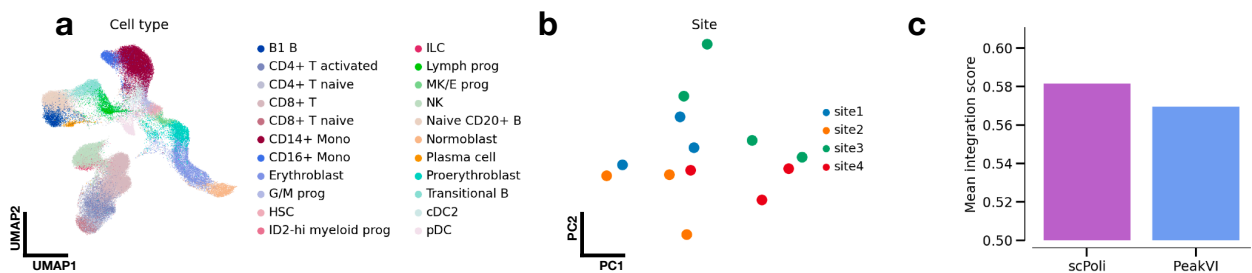
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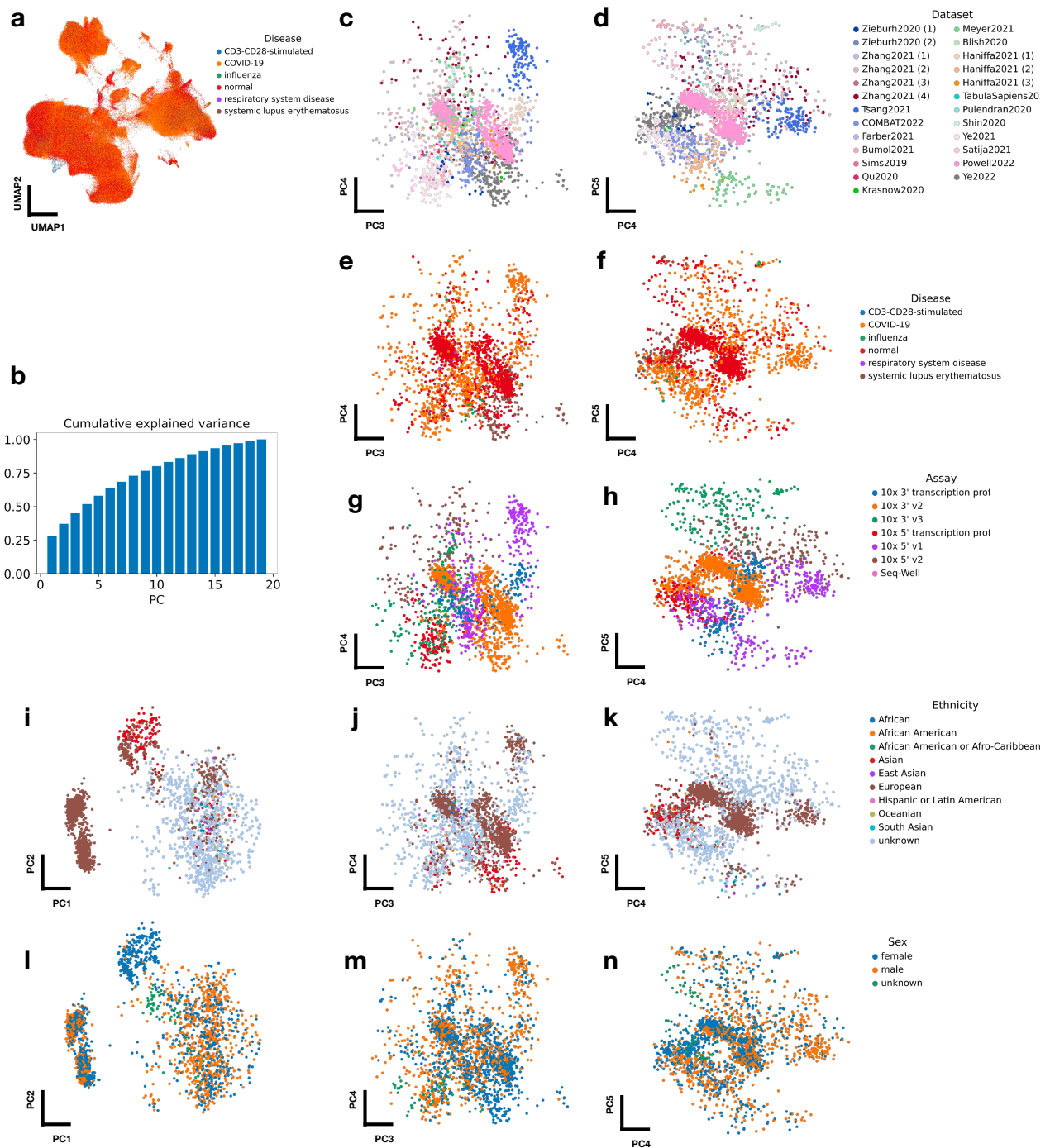
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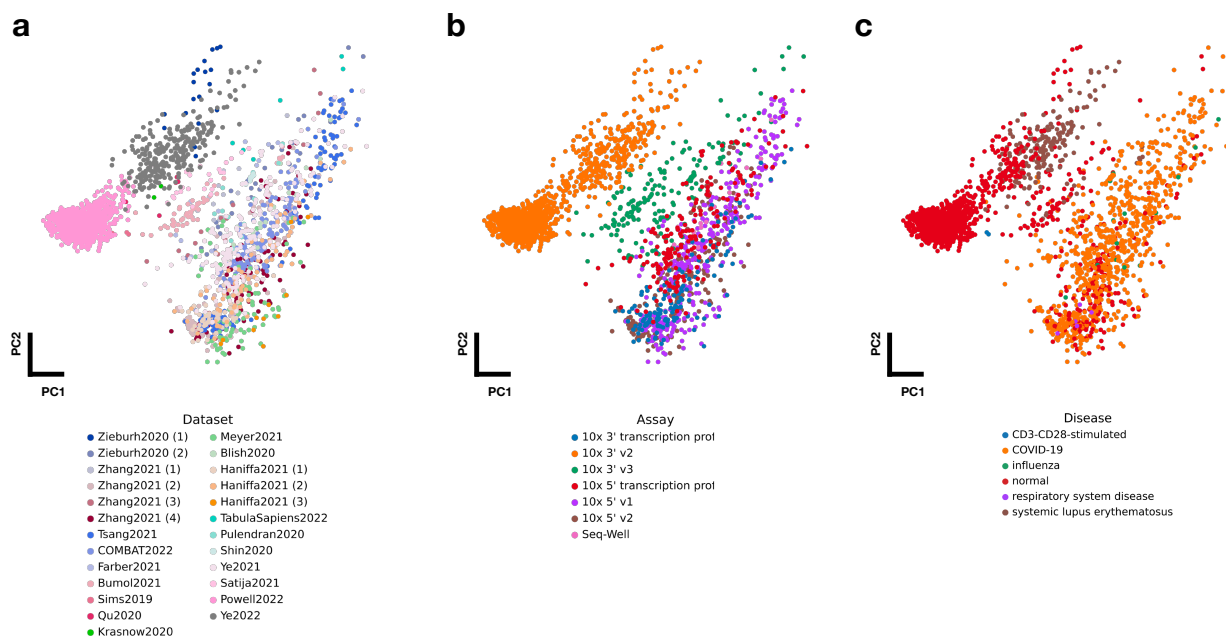
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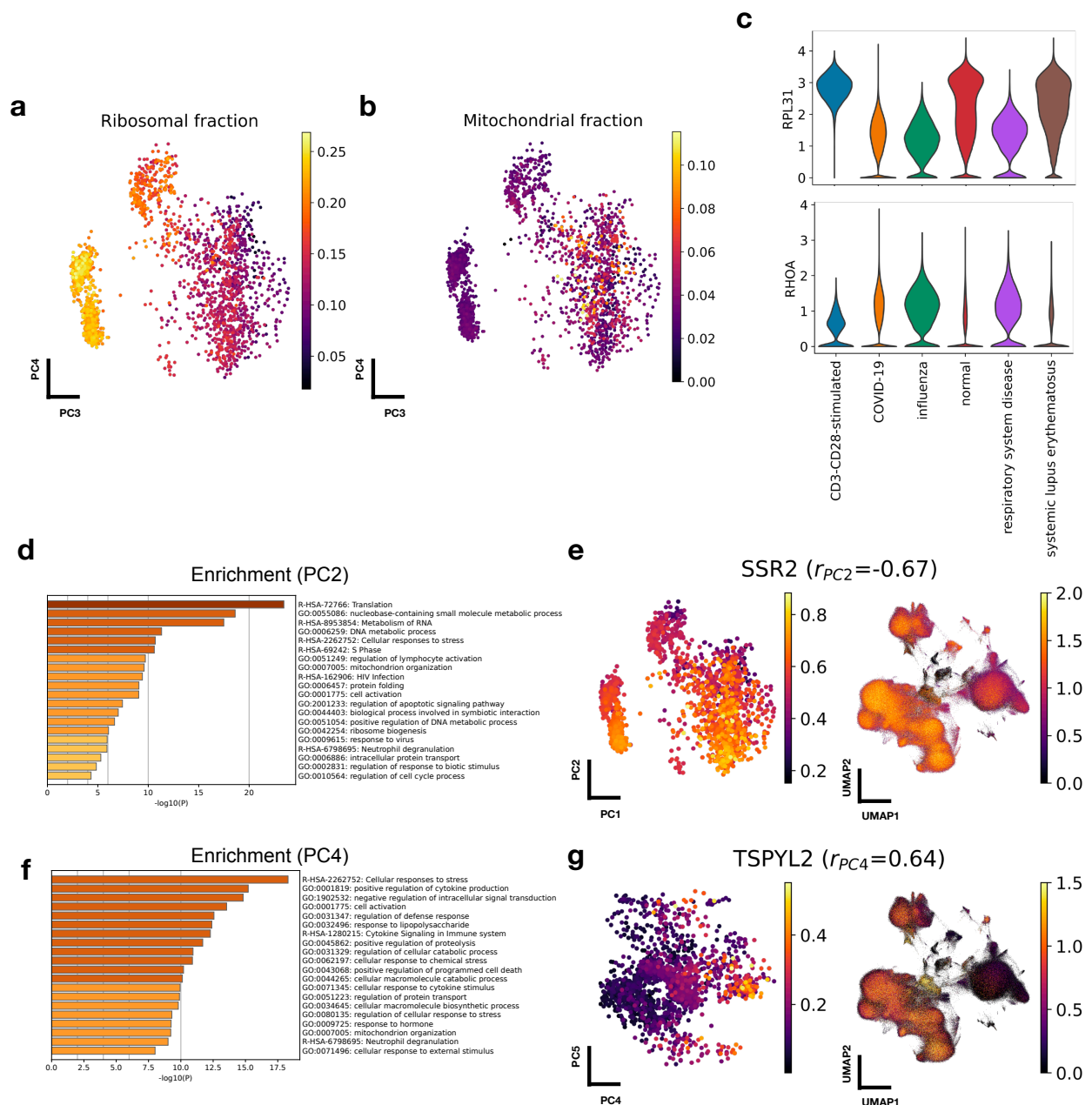
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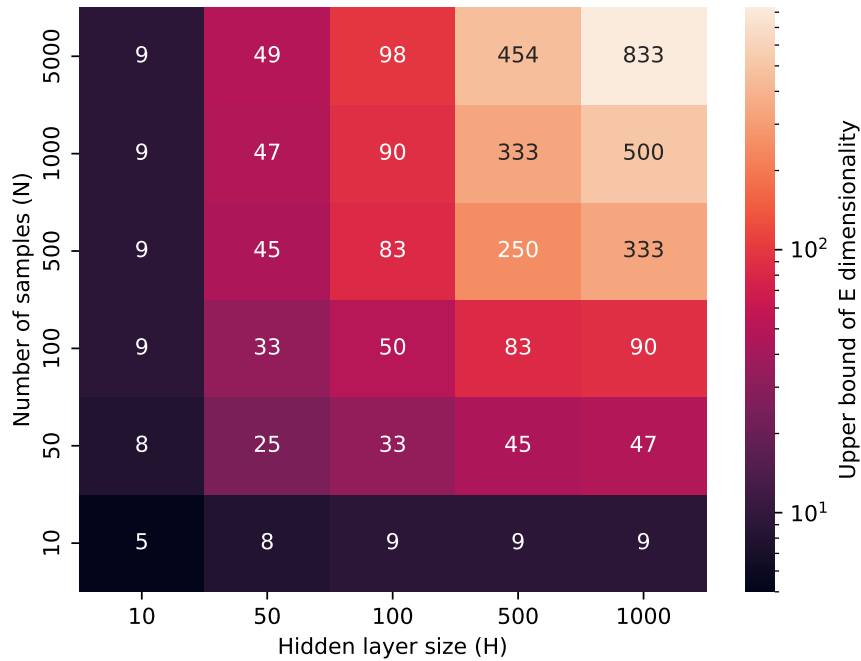
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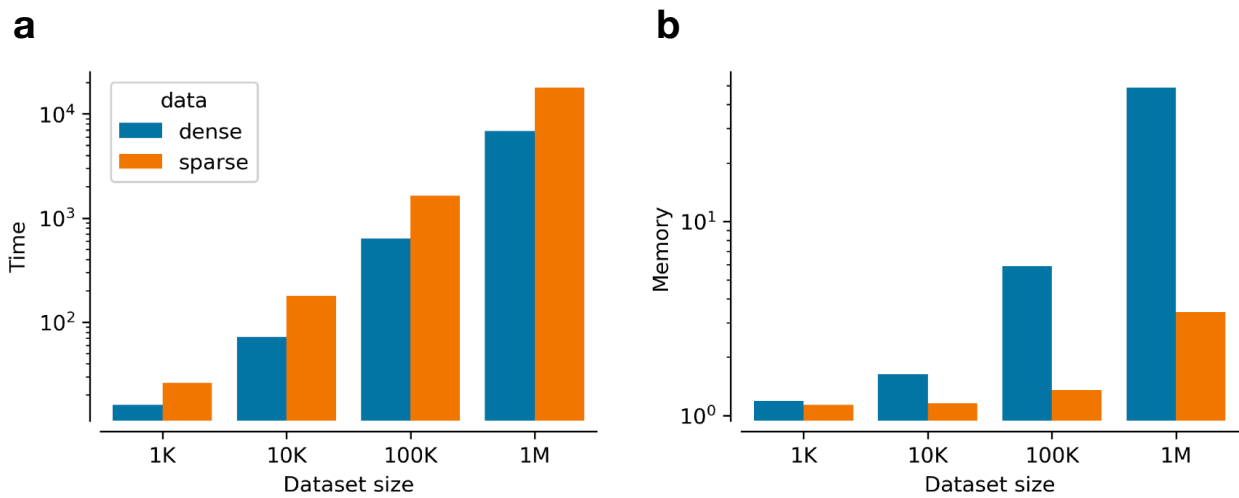
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Supplementary Figure 14: **Optimal choice for embedding dimensionality.** The table displays the upper bound for the embedding dimensionality of scPoli, below which an scPoli-style CVAE scales better than a standard one. The values vary in function of the number of samples to integrate and the sum of widths of the first encoder and decoder layers.



Supplementary Figure 15: **Computational cost of scPoli.** (a) Training time and (b) maximum RAM consumption of an scPoli model trained for 100 epochs (80 pre-training) on a dataset of different sizes. The model was trained on the PBMC data (4000 HVGs) used for benchmarking, sub- and super-sampled to reach the desired number of cells. The two bar hues represent values obtained when training with either dense or sparse input matrices.

Hyperparameter	Default value	Search distribution
hidden neurons, encoder and decoder	64	fixed
hidden layers	1	[1, 2, 3]
embedding dimensionality	10	[5, 10, 20]
latent dimensionality	10	[10, 25]
alpha epoch anneal	10^2	$10^{[2,3]}$
eta	1	[1, 10, 100]
p (prototype loss)	2	[1, 2]

Supplementary Table 1 | Values and parameters tuned in the hyper-parameter search.

Model	HVG	Hidden layer width	Hidden layers	Latent dim.	Embedding dim.	η	Alpha epoch anneal
Benchmarks	4000	64	1	10	5	10	100
HLCA	2000	128	3	25	20	5	100
Su <i>et al.</i>	2000	128	3	30	20	1	100
Schulte-Schrepping <i>et al.</i>	4000	128	3	30	20	1	100
PBMC atlas	10000	128	3	30	20	1	1000
ATAC	16134	100	1	25	5	0.5	100
Cross-species	2000	64	1	25	20	1	100

Supplementary Table 2 | Hyper-parameters of scPoli models used for the analyses presented in this work.

Metric	Measures
NMI	Integration (biological conservation)
ARI	Integration (biological conservation)
Cell type ASW	Integration (biological conservation)
Batch ASW	Integration (batch mixing)
Isolated label F1	Integration (biological conservation)
Isolated label silhouette	Integration (biological conservation)
Principal component regression	Integration (batch mixing)
Graph connectivity	Integration (batch mixing)
Weighted F1 score	Label transfer
Macro F1 score	Label transfer

Supplementary Table 3 | Metrics for integration and label transfer performance.