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Supplemental Data

Defining KIR and HLA Class I Genotypes

at Highest Resolution via High-Throughput Sequencing

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KFFallele workflow



Figure S1. Description of the PING_allele workflow.

A. The KFFallele component, which generates *KIR* allele genotypes using sequence string searches of the unprocessed sequence read data.

SOS workflow



B. The SOS component, which selects sequence reads specific for individual *KIR* genes, generates an alignment to a selected reference sequence and then determines the alleles present using a bespoke algorithm, termed jSOS (Figure S1C).

jSOS (allele calling algorithm) workflow



C. The jSOS allele-calling algorithm, which interprets the vcf files generated by SOS.





Shown are MIRAgc plots for all *KIR* genes using 96 samples from DNA Set 3 (European controls) and sequenced using 2 x 300 bp MiSeq reads. Blue dots are the values obtained for the COX cell line, and the copy numbers (shown in blue text) match those obtained previously.^{1; 2} Red lines are the threshold values set according to the groupings shown. The graphs were plotted using PING_gc V1.0 (See Web Resources). For *KIR2DL2/3* the groups also allow discrimination of the three possible genotypes as indicated (*KIR2DL2/2, KIR2DL2/3* and *KIR2DL3/3*).

	Length		Read ratio to determine copy number			
KIR gene	(bp)	GenBank ID	1	2	3	4
2DL1*00302	14741	AC011501	0.4	0.78		
2DS1*002	14720	AL133414	0.6	1.2		
2DL2*001 +	14782	AY320039		0.6		
2DL4*00103	11172	GU182338	0.2	0.8	1.2	
2DL5A*001	9695	AY320039	0.2	0.6	0.8	1.2
2DP1*002	13125	AC011501	0.2	0.7	1.3	
2DS2*001	14545	AL133414	0.6	0.95		
2DS3*00103	15071	AY320039	0.55	0.9	1.3	
2DS4*00101	15213	GU182338	0.4	1		
2DS5*00201	14996	AY320039	0.53	0.95	1.3	
3DL1*00101	14545	AC011501	0.5	0.78	1	
3DS1*01301	14933	AL133414	0.6	0.9		
3DL2*00101	17013	AC011501		1.9		
3DL3*00201	12360	AC011501				
3DP1*002	5713	AL133414	0.2	0.25	0.5	

Figure S3. KIR gene content calculations

Shows the reference gene sequences used to map sequence reads for gene content calculation for the 97 IHWG cell lines, which were sequenced using a 2 x 101 bp sequence run. The reads were filtered to be specific for the *KIR* region then mapped to all of the references simultaneously. The ratio of reads mapping to specific *KIR* / reads specific to *KIR3DL3* is used to calculate the copy number. The threshold values used to determine copy number are shown at the right. The accession numbers for reference alleles used for this purpose, as well as for PING_allele, are shown at the center. (+) for *KIR2DL2/3* discrimination of the three possible genotypes of the broad allele groups (*KIR2DL2* and *KIR2DL3*) was possible. The following threshold values were determined for the cell line data; 0.6 - *KIR2DL3* + *KIR2DL3*, 0.77 - *KIR2DL2* + *KIR2DL3*, 1.1 -*KIR2DL2* + *KIR2DL2*.



KIR3DL2 gene coordinates (bp) ->

Figure S4. Potentially non-specific KIR reads

As part of the PING pipeline, sequence reads are filtered using a panel of reference haplotypes, in order to select those that originate from the *KIR* region. To test if any reads that may also map to elements outside the *KIR* region become selected in this process, they were re-mapped to the human genome (build 19). Shown are the results from eight cell lines that were each sequenced using two strategies (2 x 100 bp and 2 x 300 bp reads). All of those reads that could map outside *KIR* were selected and then mapped again to *KIR*, showing all of them originate from a single LINE element in intron 6 of *KIR3DL2*.

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