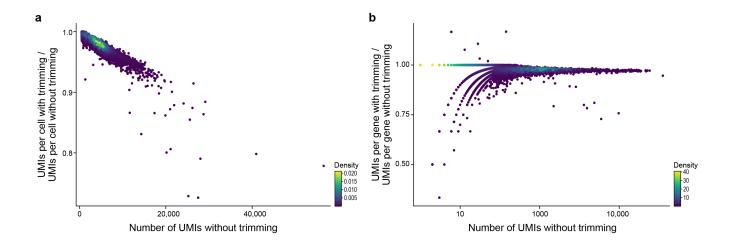
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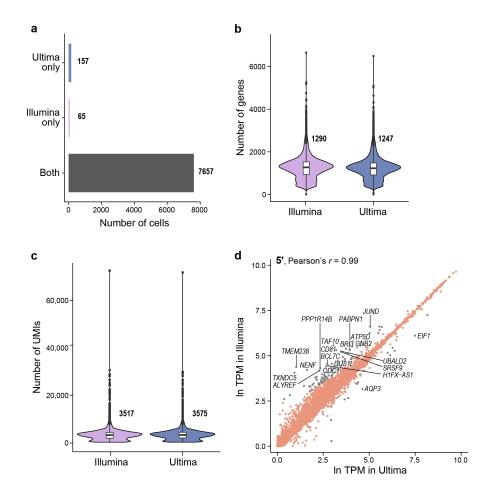
Mostly natural sequencing-by-synthesis for scRNA-seq using Ultima sequencing

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Supplementary Figure 1. Relationship between UMI coverage and UMI trimming.

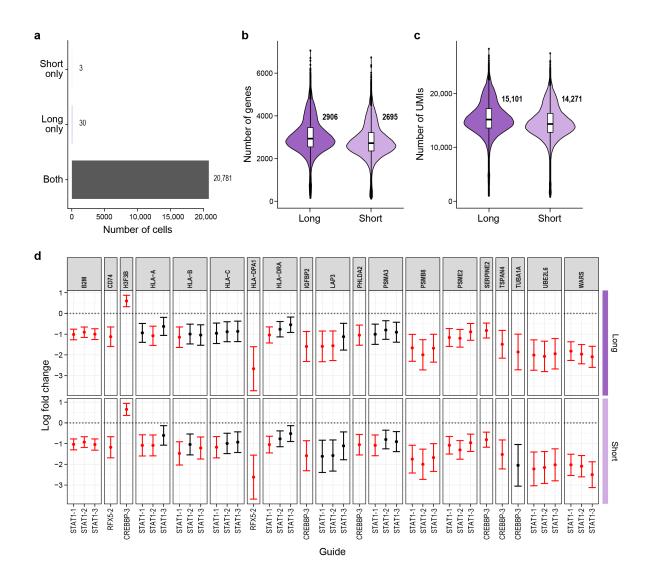
The number of UMIs per (a) cell and (b) gene for 3' PBMC Illumina data with both full-length UMIs and UMIs trimmed to 9 bases. Ratio between the two (the number of UMIs per cell or gene with trimmed UMIs divided by the number of UMIs per cell or gene with untrimmed UMIs) is plotted versus the number of UMIs without trimming. Each point is colored by its local density in the graph.



Supplementary Figure 2. Quality metrics for 5' Ultima vs single-end Illumina data.

(a) Number of cells identified by Cell Ranger only in Ultima, only in Illumina, or both.

Distribution of the number of genes (b) or UMIs (c) per cell. (d) Scatter plots with one point for each gene as in Fig. 2e. For all these analyses, reads were sampled so that Illumina and Ultima have the same number of reads.



Supplementary Figure 3. Perturb-seq data with shortened Read 2 length.

(a) Number of cells identified only in the shorter Illumina data, only in longer Illumina data, or in both. Distribution of the number of genes (b) or UMIs (c) per cell in short and long Illumina data. (d) We extracted all gene/guide pairs from our DE analysis with FDR < 0.05 in either shorter or longer Illumina data. Data processed and shown here as in **Fig. 4f**.

Supplementary Tables

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Supplementary Table 1. Sequencing metrics.

Supplementary Table 2. Comparison of read mapping between Ultima and Illumina.

Supplementary Table 3. Differentially expressed genes between Ultima and Illumina with standard or extended references.

Supplementary Table 4. Antibody, Perturb-seq, and hashing DNA barcodes.

Supplementary Table 5. PCR primers to convert libraries for Ultima sequencing.

Supplementary Table 6. Commands for initial sequence processing.

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																			Reads						1	
				Removed															Mapped	Reads	Reads				1	
				UMIs with											Q30		Reads		Confidently		Mapped		Reads		1	Median
				base				Estimated	Mean	Median				Q30	Bases in		Mapped	Mapped	to			Reads Mapped		Fraction		UMI
		UMI			Sampling	Read2		Number	Reads	Genes	Number of	1	Sequencing		RNA	Bases in	1	Confidently	-	to Intronic	to Exonic	Confidently to		I .	Genes	Counts
Name	Sequencer	Length	Library	< 10	(equal # of)	Length	Reference	of Cells	per Cell	per Cell	Reads	Barcodes	Saturation	Barcode	Read	UMI	Genome	to Genome	Regions	Regions	Regions	Transcriptome	to Gene	Cells	Detected	per Cell
threeprime_umi_ill	Illumina		3' PBMC	No	none	55	Standard	7,923	19,702		156,100,101	98%	51%	95%	92%		86%	82%	4%		54%	51%	1%		21,810	
threeprime_noumi_ill	Illumina		3' PBMC	No	none		Standard	7,926	19,694		156,100,101	98%	51%		92%			82%	4%			51%	1%			
threeprime_umi_ult	Ultima		3' PBMC	No	none	90	Standard	8,100	49,327		399,549,702	97%	72%		83%			93%	6%			52%	1%		-,	
threeprime_umi_UMIDS_ult	Ultima	9	3' PBMC	No	UMIs	90	Standard	8,015	29,411	1,268	235,737,147	97%	61%	94%	83%			93%	6%			52%	1%		20,173	
threeprime_umi_ReadDS_ult	Ultima	9	3' PBMC	No	reads	90	Standard	7,916	19,683		155,813,953	97%	51%	94%	83%			93%	6%			52%	1%	93%	19,786	3,507
threeprime_umi_short_ult	Ultima	9	3' PBMC	No	none	55	Standard	8,094	49,363		399,549,702	97%	72%		84%			89%	5%			52%	1%		20,894	
threeprime_noumi_filt_ult	Ultima	12	3' PBMC	Yes	none	90	Standard	8,094	34,081	1,364	275,851,725	97%	64%	95%	84%			93%	6%	32%	55%	52%	1%	93%	20,454	5,418
threeprime_noumi_ult	Ultima	12	3' PBMC	No	none	90	Standard	8,119	49,211	1,379	399,549,702	97%	64%	94%	83%	74%	97%	93%	6%	33%	55%	52%	1%	93%	20,505	5,550
threeprime_umi_bulkext_ult	Ultima		3' PBMC	No	reads	90		7,985	19,513	1,166	155,813,953	97%	51%	94%	83%			93%	5%			54%	1%	93%	19,907	
threeprime_umi_bulkext_ill	Illumina		3' PBMC	No	none	55		7,936	19,669		156,100,101	98%	50%		92%		86%	81%	4%			52%	1%	93%		
threeprime_umi_scext_ult	Ultima	9	3' PBMC	No	reads	90	3' SC	7,972	19,545	1,166	155,813,953	97%	51%	94%	83%	85%	97%	93%	6%	32%	56%	54%	1%	93%	20,603	
threeprime_umi_scext_ult	Illumina	9	3' PBMC	No	none	55	3' SC	7,930	19,684	1,382	156,100,101	98%	51%	95%	92%	95%	86%	82%	4%	24%	54%	52%	1%	93%	21,958	4,288
fiveprime_noumi_ill	Illumina	10	5' PBMC	No	none	45	Standard	7,854	24,008		188,562,544	88%	66%	94%			91%	67%	3%	8%	56%	51%	3%	93%	22,082	3,612
fiveprime_ill_SE	Illumina (SE)	10	5' PBMC	No	none	90	Standard	7,722	20,292	1,287	156,702,072	99%	70%	99%	85%	98%	99%	83%	4%	7%	72%	64%	3%	93%	19,609	3,503
fiveprime_all_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	none	90	Standard	8,151	70,759	1,480	576,757,306	96%	88%	97%	89%	95%	99%	83%	4%	9%	70%	63%	3%	93%	20,557	
fiveprime_UMIDS_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	UMIs	90	Standard	7,829	20,627	1,249	161,493,951	96%	68%	97%	89%	95%	99%	83%	4%	9%	70%	63%	3%	93%	19,786	3,566
fiveprime_ReadDS_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	reads	90	Standard	7,875	23,436	1,282	184,561,342	96%	71%	97%	89%		99%	83%	4%	9%	70%	63%	3%	93%	19,868	
fiveprime_short_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	none	45	Standard	8,175	70,551	1,486	576,757,306	96%	88%	97%	90%	95%	98%	81%	4%	8%	69%	63%	3%	93%	21,346	4,379
fiveprime_bulkext_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	reads	90	Bulk	7,958	23,191	1,347	184,561,342	96%	71%	97%	89%			83%	3%	8%	72%	66%	3%		19,995	3,803
fiveprime_bulkext_ill	Illumina	10	5' PBMC	No	none	45	Bulk	7,900	23,868	1,410	188,562,544	88%	66%	94%	85%	91%	91%	66%	3%	7%	57%	52%	4%	93%	22,133	3,650
fiveprime_scext_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC	No	reads	90	3' SC	7,979	23,130	1,367	184,561,342	96%	71%	97%	89%	95%	99%	83%	4%	8%	71%	66%	3%	93%	20,975	3,819
fiveprime_scext_ult	Illumina	10	5' PBMC	No	none	45	3' SC	7,894	23,886	1,391	188,562,544	88%	66%	94%	85%	91%	91%	67%	3%	7%	57%	52%	3%	93%	22,147	3,637
fiveprime_mix_ill	Illumina	10	5' PBMC Mixture	No	none	45	Standard	26,923	27,431	1,578	738,535,623	88%	60%	92%	84%	89%	89%	70%	4%	12%	53%	46%	5%	88%	25,815	3,694
fiveprime_mix_ult	Ultima	10	5' PBMC Mixture	No	none	90	Standard	27,156	28,840	1,385	783,197,657	94%	66%	94%	81%	91%	96%	84%	7%	15%	62%	53%	5%	88%	23,667	3,563
perturbseq_noumi_ill	Illumina	12	3' Perturb-seq	No	none	96	Standard	20,811	18,926	2,905	393,889,367	98%	10%	97%	92%	97%	97%	94%	8%	17%	69%	65%	2%	97%	24,739	9,452
perurbseq_ill_short	Illumina	12	3' Perturb-seq	No	none	55	Standard	20,784	18,951	2,694	393,889,367	98%	10%	97%	93%	97%	82%	77%	4%	13%	60%	58%	1%	97%	25,097	8,444
perturbseq_umi_ult	Ultima	9	3' Perturb-seq	No	none	90	Standard	21,168	45,795	3,785	969,406,534	98%	24%	95%	87%	85%	98%	95%	8%	19%	68%	64%	1%	97%	24,683	15,668
perturbseq_umi_UMIDS_ult	Ultima	9	3' Perturb-seq	No	UMIs	90	Standard	20,936	25,005	2,896	523,508,222	98%	15%	95%	87%	85%	98%	95%	8%	19%	68%	64%	1%	97%	23,777	9,769
	SE=Single-en	d																								

Table S3

Method	Illumina read type	Illumina Reference	Ultima Reference**	Total outliers*	Outliers upregulated in Illumina	Outliers upregulated in Ultima
3'	Paired-end Standard		Standard	182	131	51
3'	Paired-end Standard		Extended by single cell	173	118	55
3'	Paired-end	Standard	Extended by bulk	177	117	60
3'	Paired-end	Extended by single cell	Extended by single cell	172	119	53
3'	Paired-end	Extended by bulk	Extended by bulk	183	135	48
5'	Paired-end	Standard	Standard	454	342	112
5'	Paired-end	Standard	Extended by single cell	352	233	119
5'	Paired-end	Standard	Extended by bulk	350	234	116
5'	Paired-end	Extended by single cell	Extended by single cell	346	247	109
5'	Paired-end	Extended by bulk	Extended by bulk	349	247	102
5'	Single-end	Standard	Standard	122	109	13
*Outliers	are genes with absol	lute logFC>log(2) in Ultim	a relative to Illumina			
**Uses U	ltima data downsam	pled to have the same nu	mber of reads as Illumina			

table S5

Name	Sequence	Notes					
PS-SBC	5'-CCATCTCATCCCTGCGTGTCTCCGACTCAGCGGAAGAACCTCGATCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATC*T-3'	IA region, Read 1 binding region					
РВ	5'-CCTATCCCCTGTGTGCCTTGGCAGTCTCAGCAGACGTGTGCTCTTCCGATC*T-3'	UBA region, Read 2 binding region					
* = pho:	= phosphorothioate bond modification protecting it from degradation						

3' Ultima step 1	
·	cutadapt -j 0discard-untrimmedpair-filter any -a
	CTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCT;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=10;requiredAGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTG;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=6 -U
	50 -q 30 -A TTTTTTTTTTT;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=8;requiredAGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTG;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=6 -o
	<pre><output_read1_long> -p <output_read2>minimum-length 28:50 <input_fastq> <input_fastq></input_fastq></input_fastq></output_read2></output_read1_long></pre>
3' Ultima step 2	cutadapt -j 0minimum-length 28maximum-length 28length 28 -o <output_read1> <output_read1_long></output_read1_long></output_read1>
3' Ultima step 3	zcat <output_read2> awk '{if ((NR%4 == 2) (NR%4 == 0)) {print substr(\$0,1+5,90) } else {print \$0 } }' seqkit -j 8 seq -p -r -t DNA gzip ></output_read2>
	<output_read2_revcom></output_read2_revcom>
5' Ultima step 1	
	cutadapt -j 0discard-untrimmedpair-filter any -a
	CTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCT;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=10;requiredAGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTG;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=6 -U
	48 -q 30 -A ^TTTCTTATATGGG;max_error_rate=0.5;min_overlap=8;requiredAGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTG;max_error_rate=0.2;min_overlap=6 -o
	<pre><output_read1_long> -p <output_read2>minimum-length 26:50maximum-length 390:315 <input_fastq> <input_fastq></input_fastq></input_fastq></output_read2></output_read1_long></pre>
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	<output_read2_revcom></output_read2_revcom>
5' Illumina single-end step 1	
s mamma single end step 1	cutadapt -j 0discard-untrimmedpair-filter any -a
	CTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCT;max error rate=0.2;min overlap=10;requiredAGATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTG;max error rate=0.2;min overlap=6-U
	48 -q 30 -A ^TTTCTTATATGGG;max error rate=0.5;min overlap=6 -o
	<output long="" read1="">-p <output read2="">-minimum-length 26:50 -maximum-length 390:315 <input fastq=""/> <input fastq=""/></output></output>
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	zcat <output_read2> awk '(if ((NR%4 == 2) (NR%4 == 0)) {print substr(\$0,1+3,90) } else {print \$0 })' seqkit -j 8 seq -p -r -t DNA gzip ></output_read2>
gg step 5	<output read2="" revcom=""></output>