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Sequencing platform bias



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A note on high coverage NGS SNP reproducibility

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"Personal Omics Profiling: Monitoring Genomes, Transcriptomes and other Omes During Healthy and Disease States"

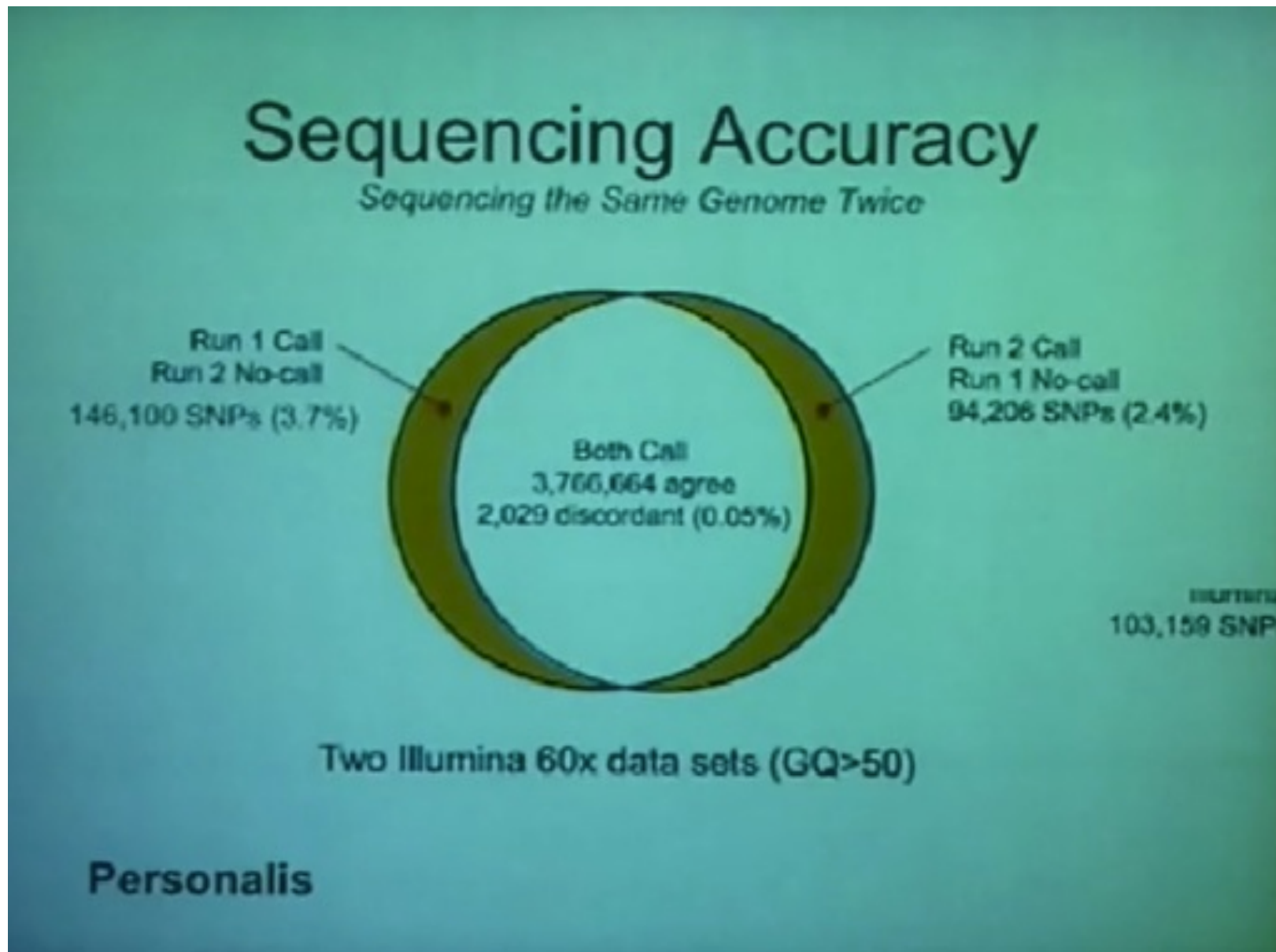
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- Same sample sequenced twice with same methods
- Illumina, **60x coverage**
- Run 1: 3.948 M SNPs called
- Run 2: 3.925 M SNPs called
- 6% of total 4 M unique SNPs don't overlap due to no-calls
- Of the overlapping SNPs, 0.05% are discordant

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Performance comparison of whole-genome sequencing platforms

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Complete Genomics vs. Illumina

Presentation emphasis on
overlap and concordance of SNVs
(single nucleotide variants)

- 1 individual sequenced on Illumina and CG platform
- 2 DNA sources: blood (mononuclear cells) and saliva

- Illumina HiSeq 2000: 101-bp paired-end reads
- CG: 35-bp paired-end reads

- Illumina
 - mapped with BWA
 - SNVs called with GATK

- CG mapped and called with CG pipeline

Lam et al. 2012

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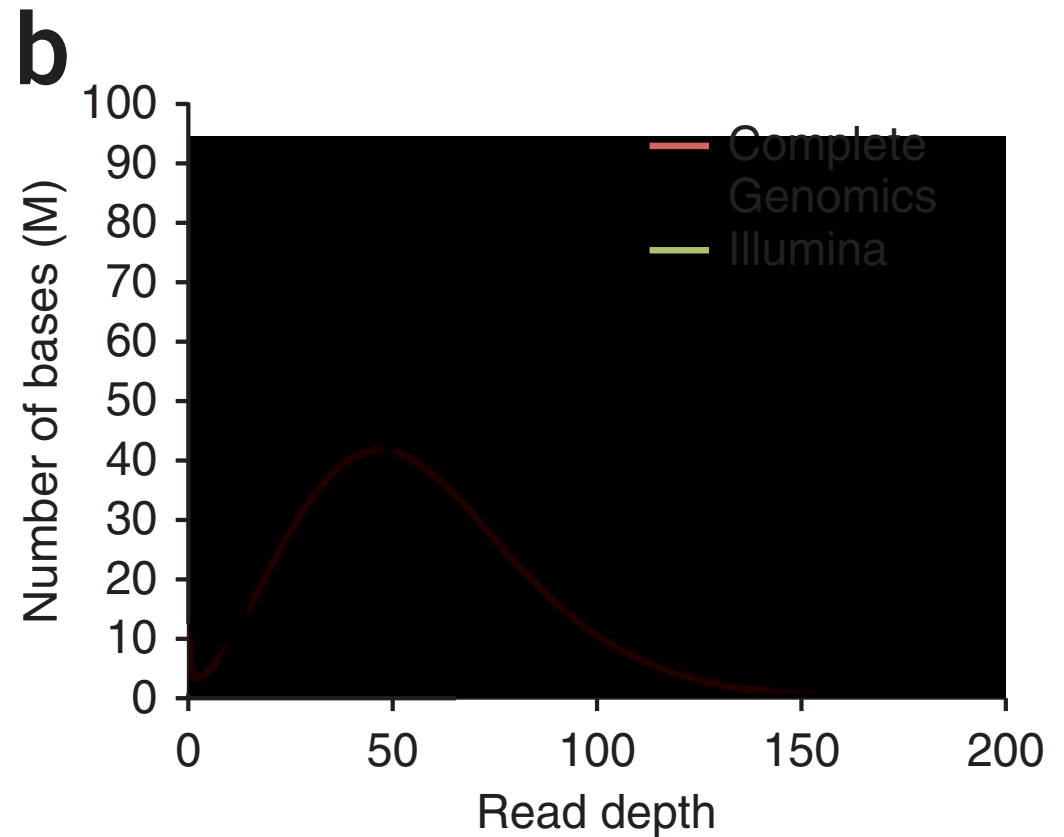


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- Data from blood and saliva combined
- SNVs detected from only one source discarded
- Only few of the tissue-specific calls could be validated by independent methods



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Agilent SureSelect target enrichment for total 33,084 SNVs

- Validated 92.7% of concordant; 61.9% CG-specific; 64.3% Illumina-specific SNVs

CG specific

IL specific

CG+IL

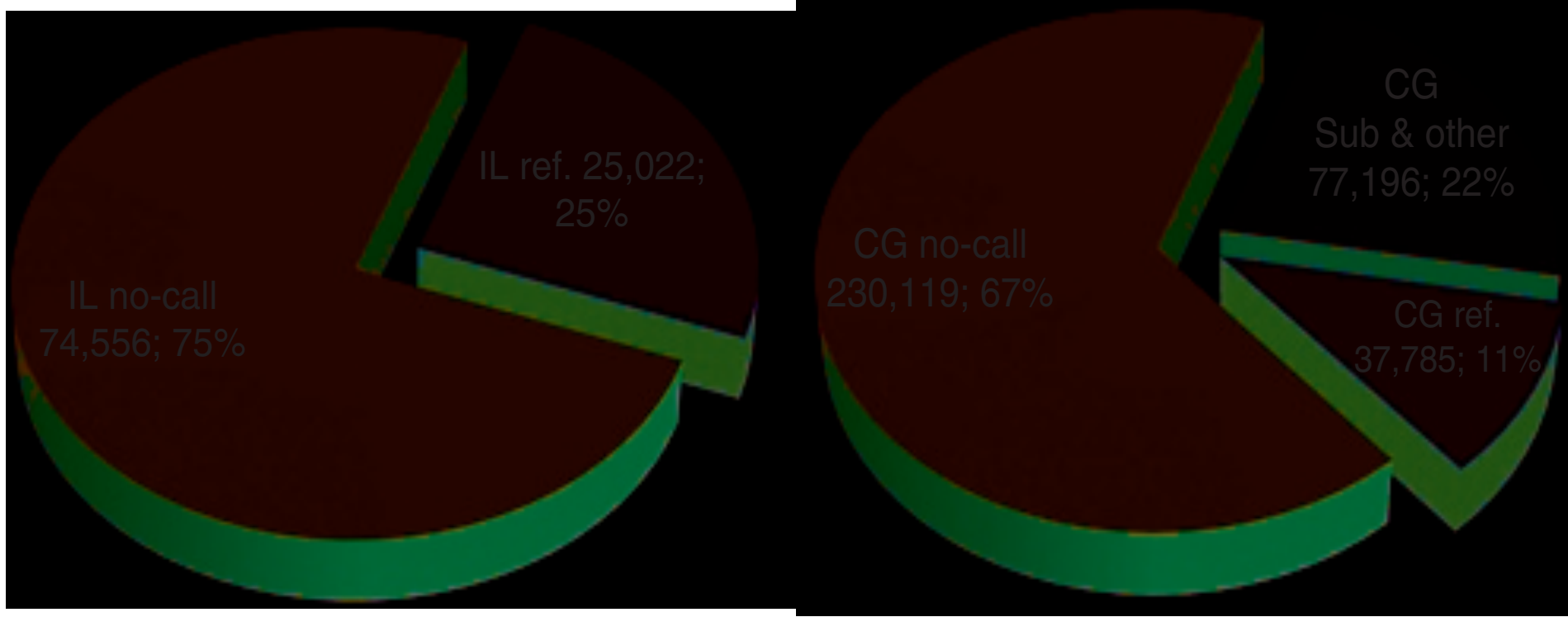
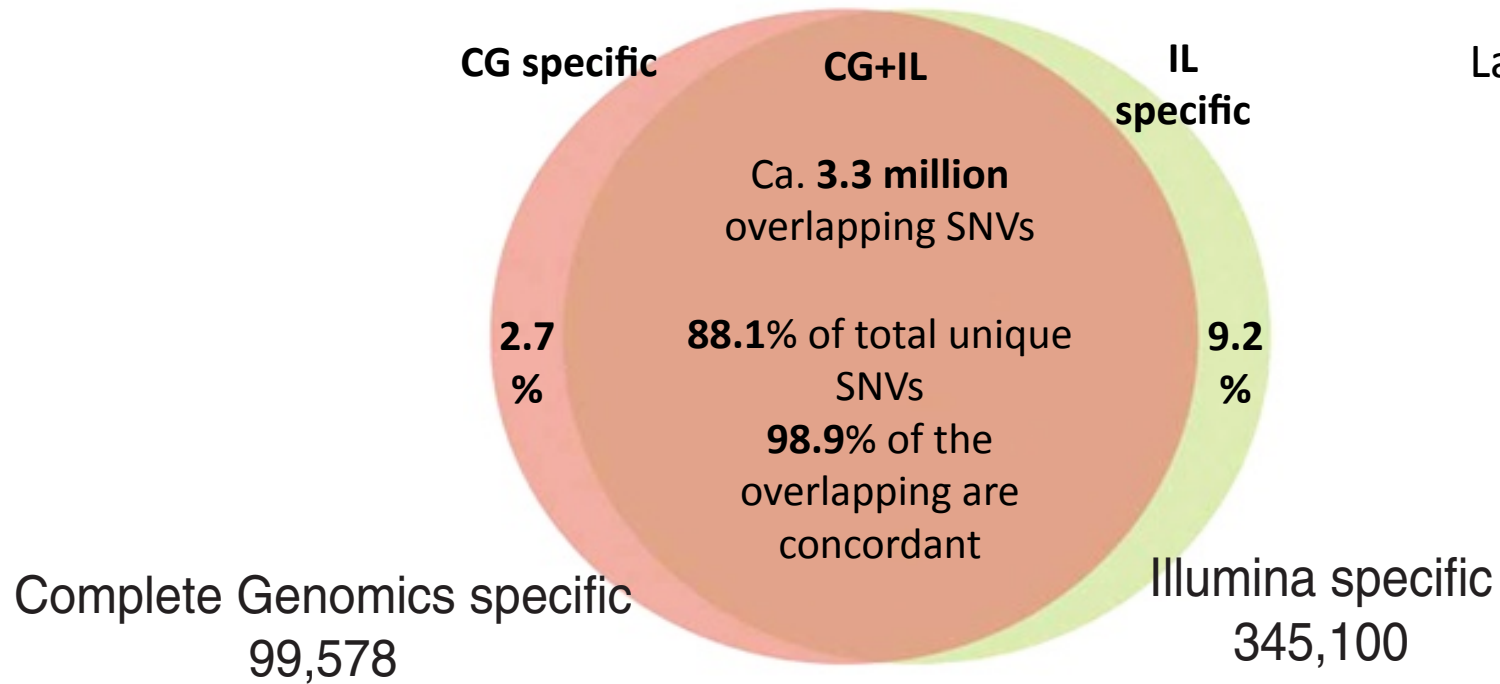
Ca. **3.3 million**
overlapping SNVs

2.7%

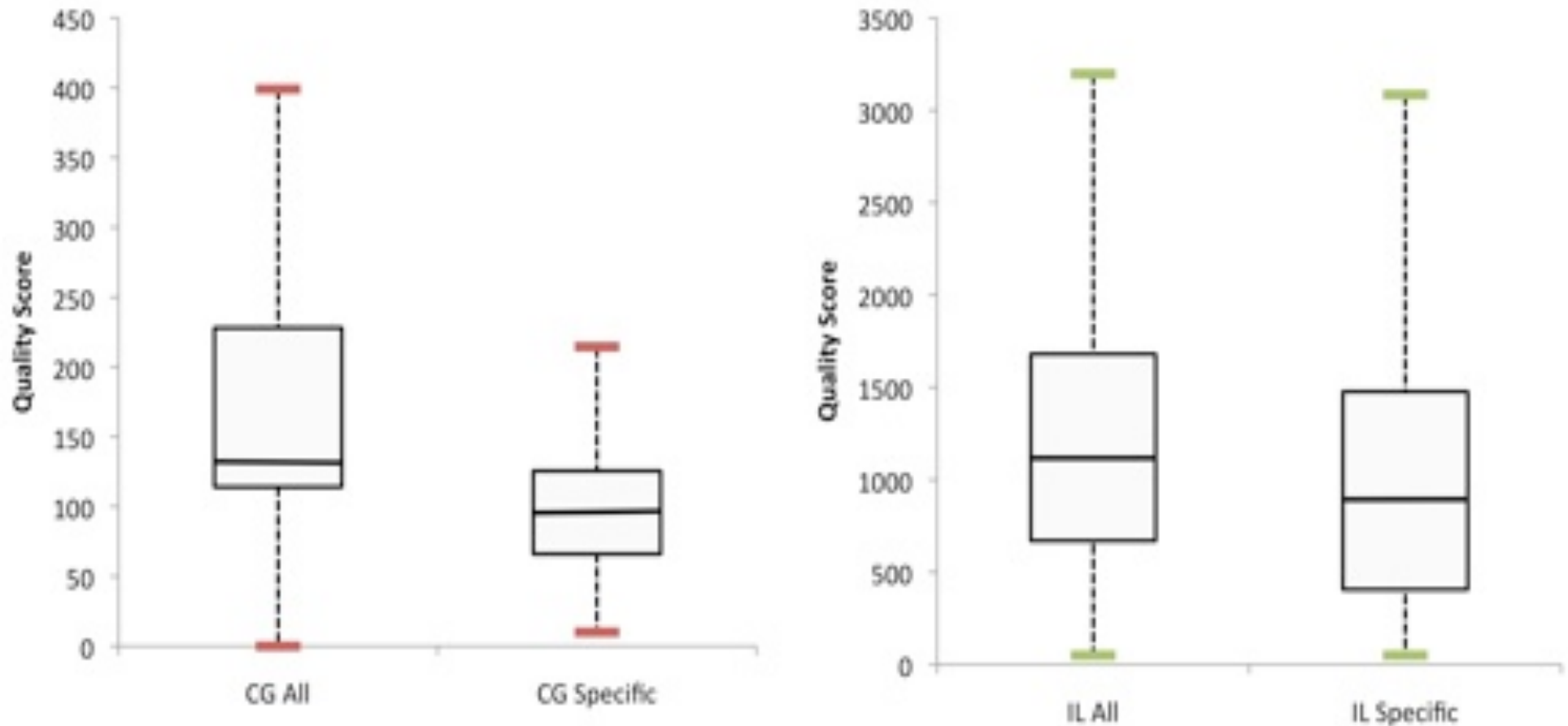
88.1% of total unique SNVs
98.9% of the overlapping are
concordant

9.2%

Sensitivity **99.34%**
of Illumina Omni array

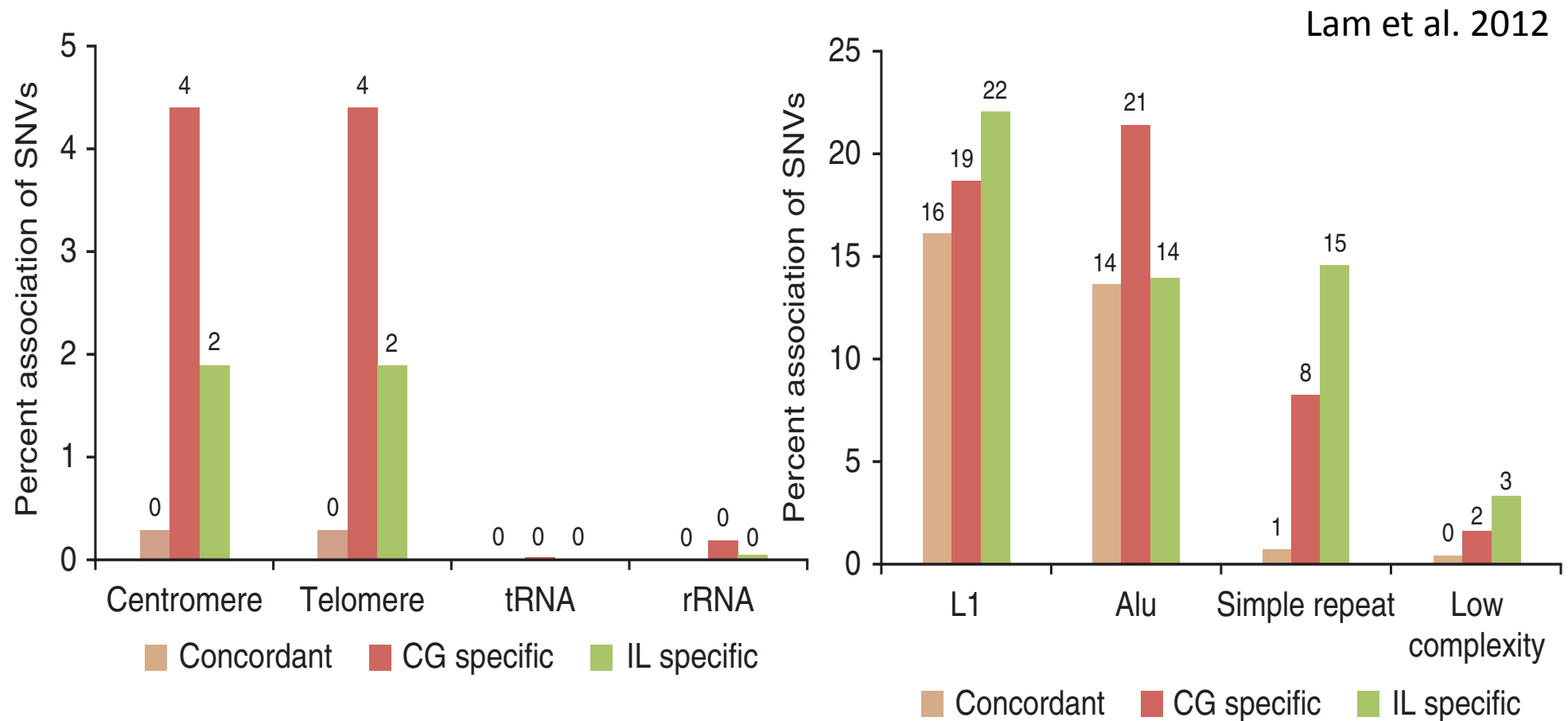


- ti/tv of concordant SNVs was very close to that expected, whereas the platform-specific ti/tv was much lower
- Quality scores of platform-specific SNVs were lower

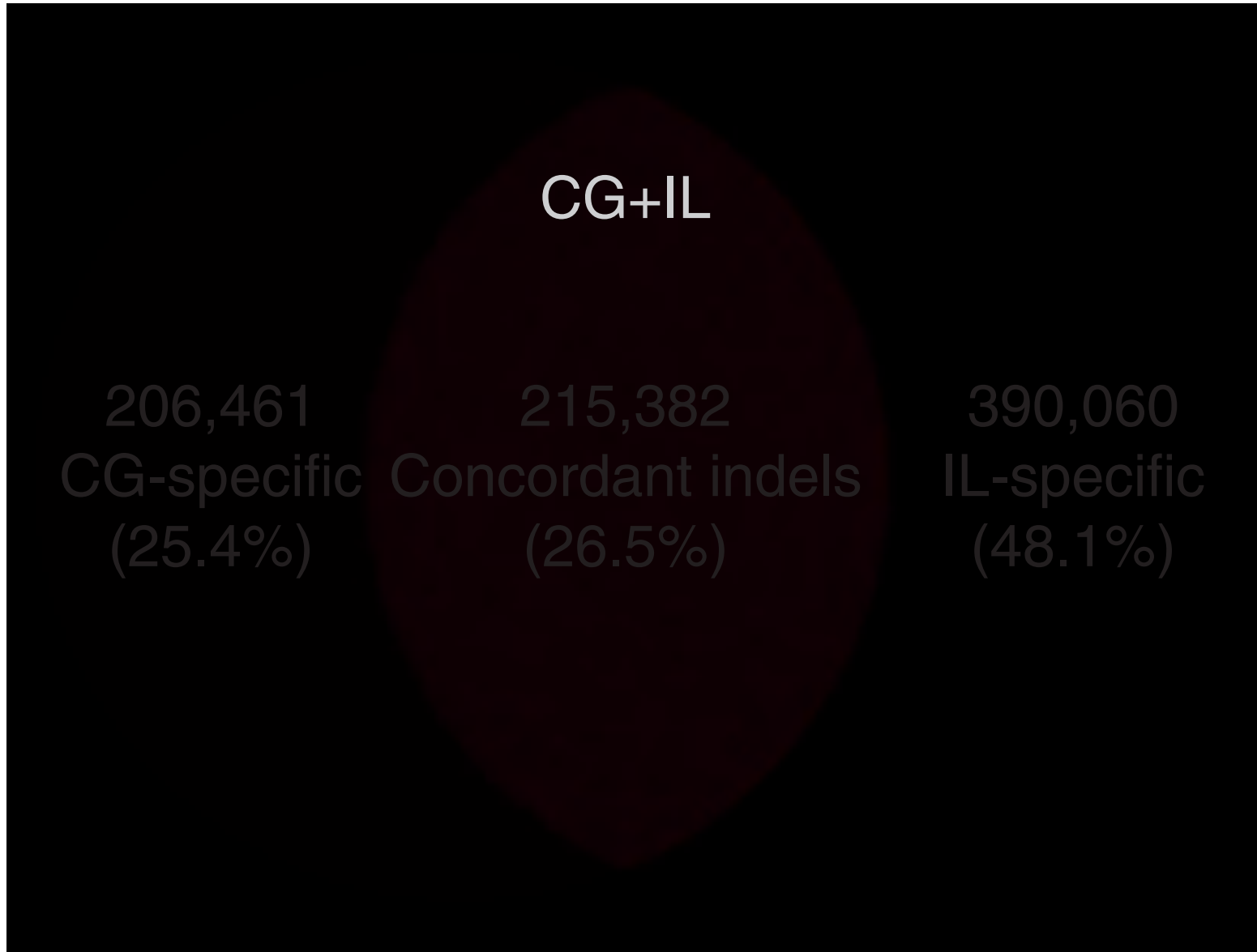


- Average GC content
 - Concordant: 0.46
 - CG-specific: 0.45
 - Illumina-specific: 0.41
- Average read depths: 48, 47 and 44, respectively.
- No strong correlation of SNV detection with GC content.

- Platform-specific SNVs associated with repetitive elements such as Alu, telomere and simple repeat sequences
- Only 0.3% of the concordant SNVs in telomeres or centromeres, opposed to 4% of CG-specific and 2% of Illumina-specific



Indel calls are greatly discordant



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- Both methods clearly call variants missed by the other technology
- Filtering for repeat regions and quality helps to reduce errors
- For maximized sensitivity and quality, sequence in parallel

Comparison of Sequencing Platforms for Single Nucleotide Variant Calls in a Human Sample

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- 454/Roche GS FLX
- Illumina HiSeq 2000
- ABI SOLiD 3 ECC

- Overlap of SNVs

- 1 DNA sample

Table 1. Sequencing and alignment statistics. Coverage is calculated with and without the putative PCR duplicates.

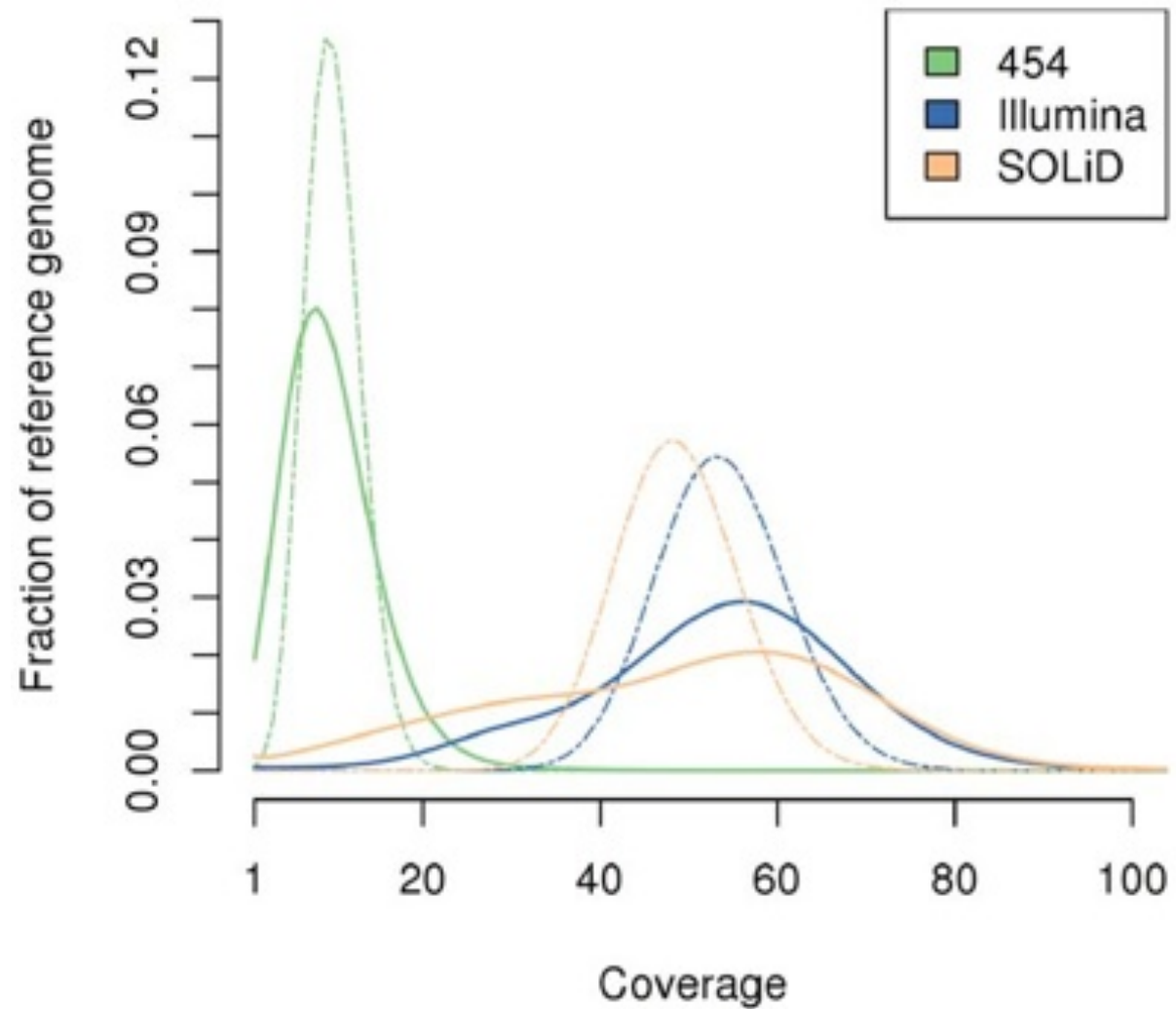
	454	Illumina	SOLiD
Number of reads generated	83,331,227	1,867,073,052	6,905,193,148
Number of bases generated	29,246,232,549	188,349,876,745	397,681,271,500
Read lengths	350 avg. single-end	101 paired-end	50 paired-end, 75 single-end
Number of reads aligned	82,310,265 (98.77%)	1,751,042,389 (93.79%)	4,429,505,837 (64.15%)
Number of bases aligned	28,732,501,185 (98.24%)	168,495,777,999 (89.46%)	224,998,686,646 (56.58%)
Coverage	10.04/9.78 X	58.89/55.06 X	78.63/53.20 X
Duplicate reads	2,211,903	115,528,614	1,216,108,795
Reference bases covered	2,781,827,482	2,858,458,440	2,850,277,778

The number of aligned reads includes the duplicate reads.
doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0055089.t001

- Uneven coverage between platforms
- “we sequenced the individual’s DNA to read-depths that allows for variant detection in each corresponding dataset with sufficient confidence “

Coverage

- 454: 10x
- Illumina: 59x
- SOLiD: 79x



Removing the sex chromosomes from the analysis did not eliminate the bimodal behavior

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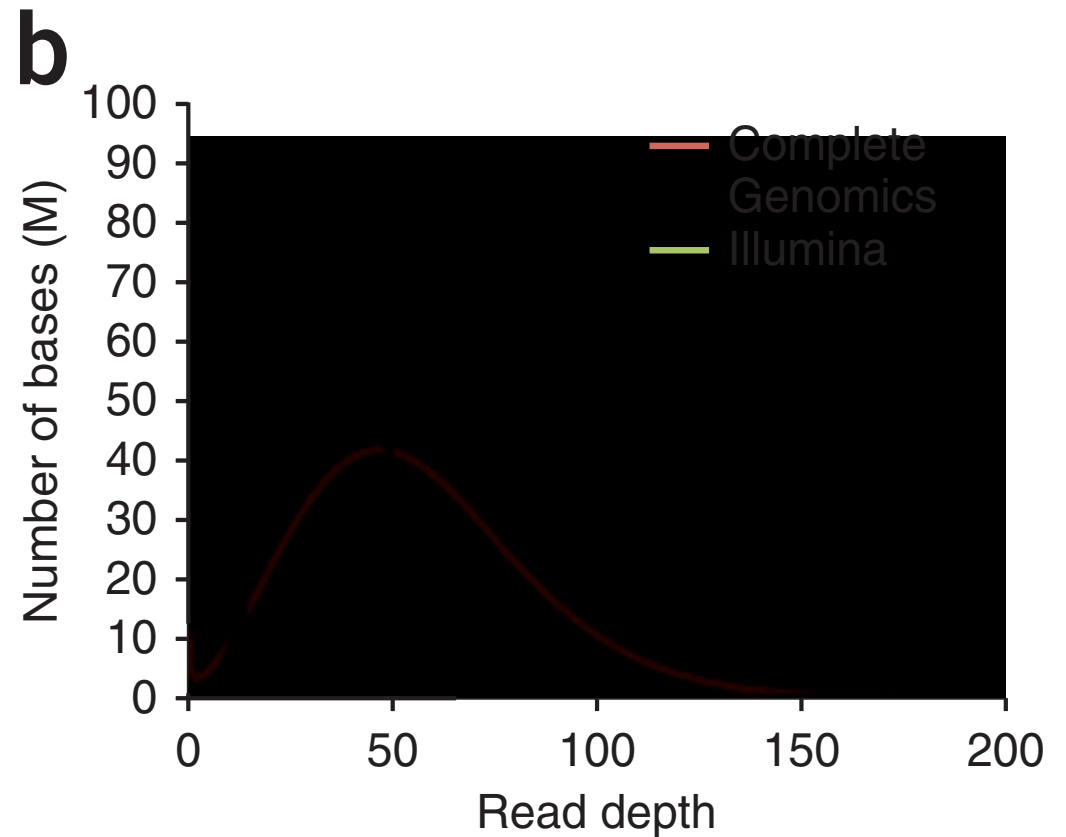
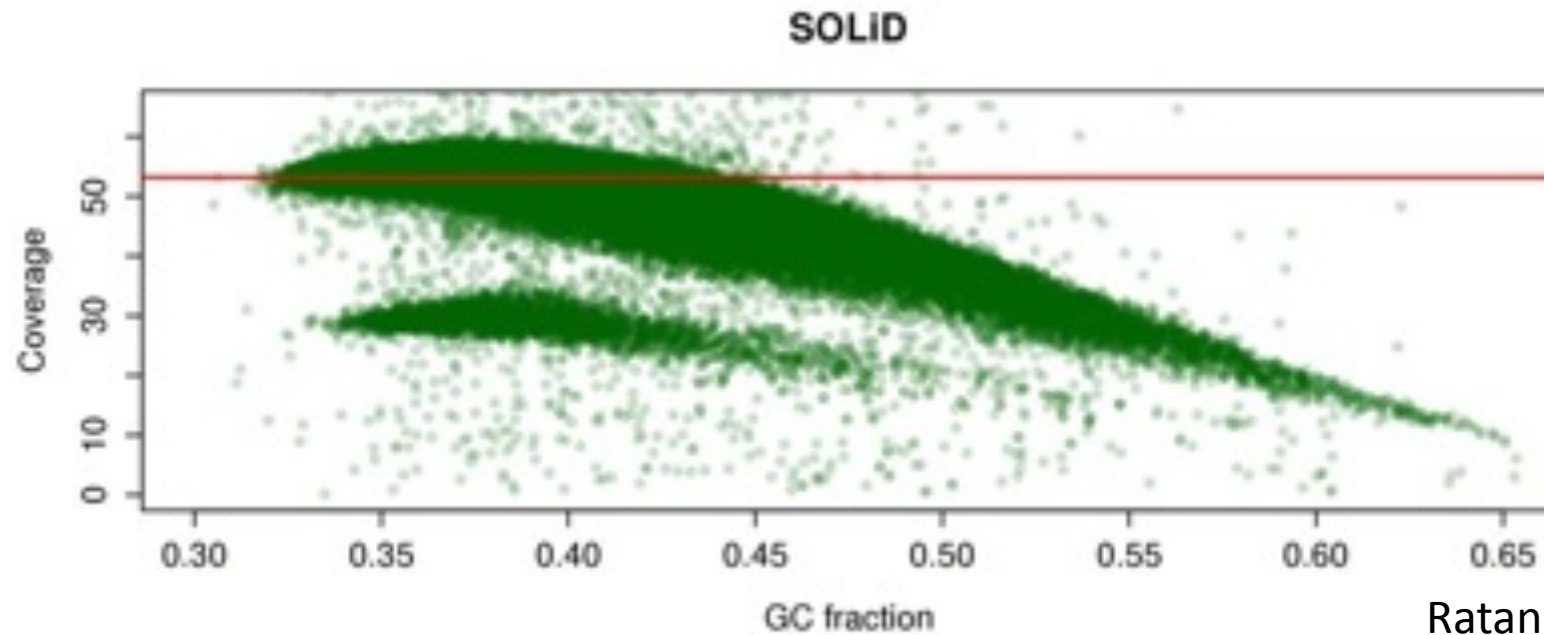
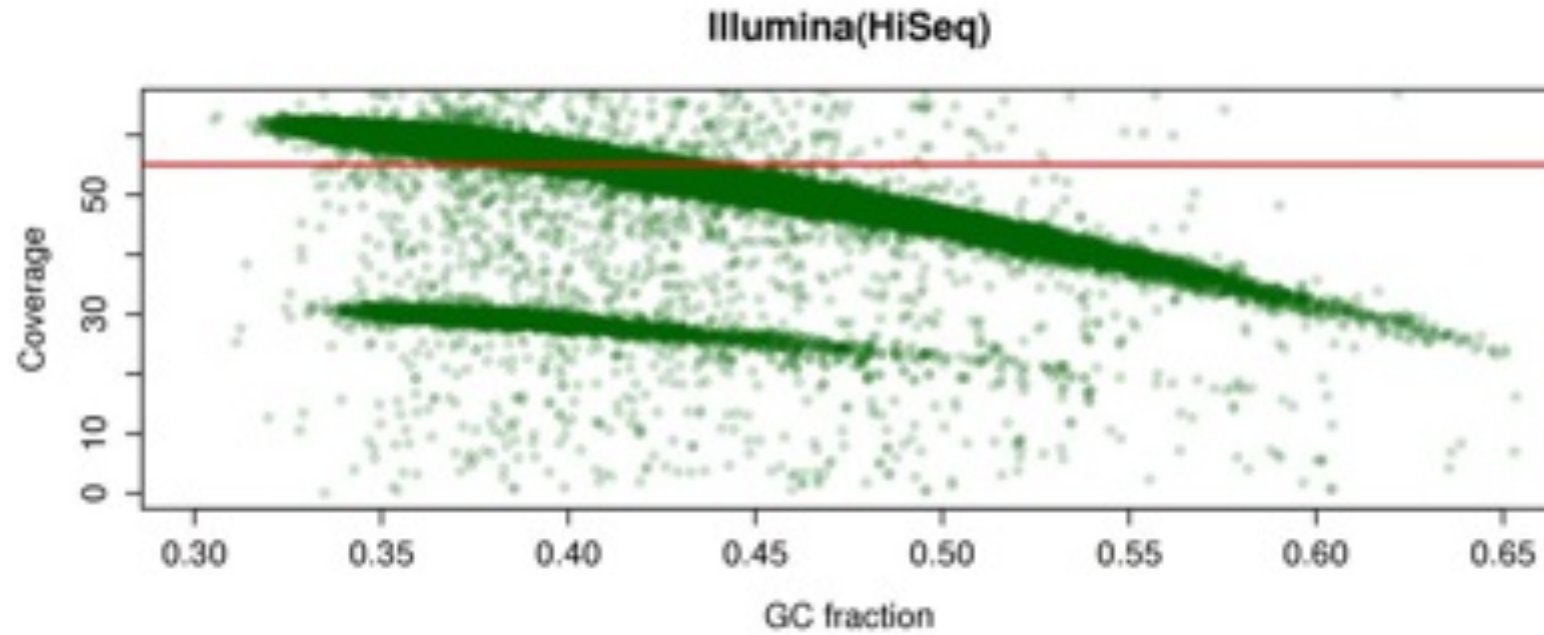


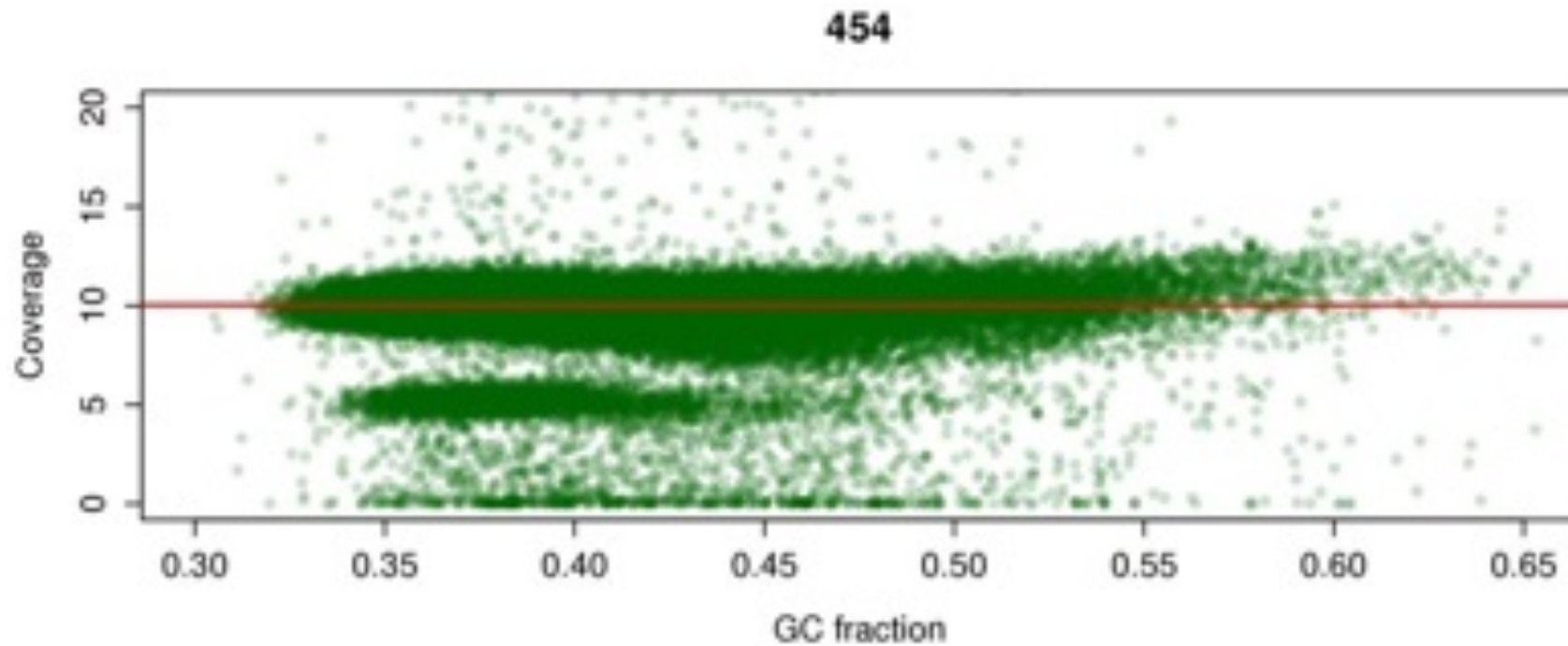
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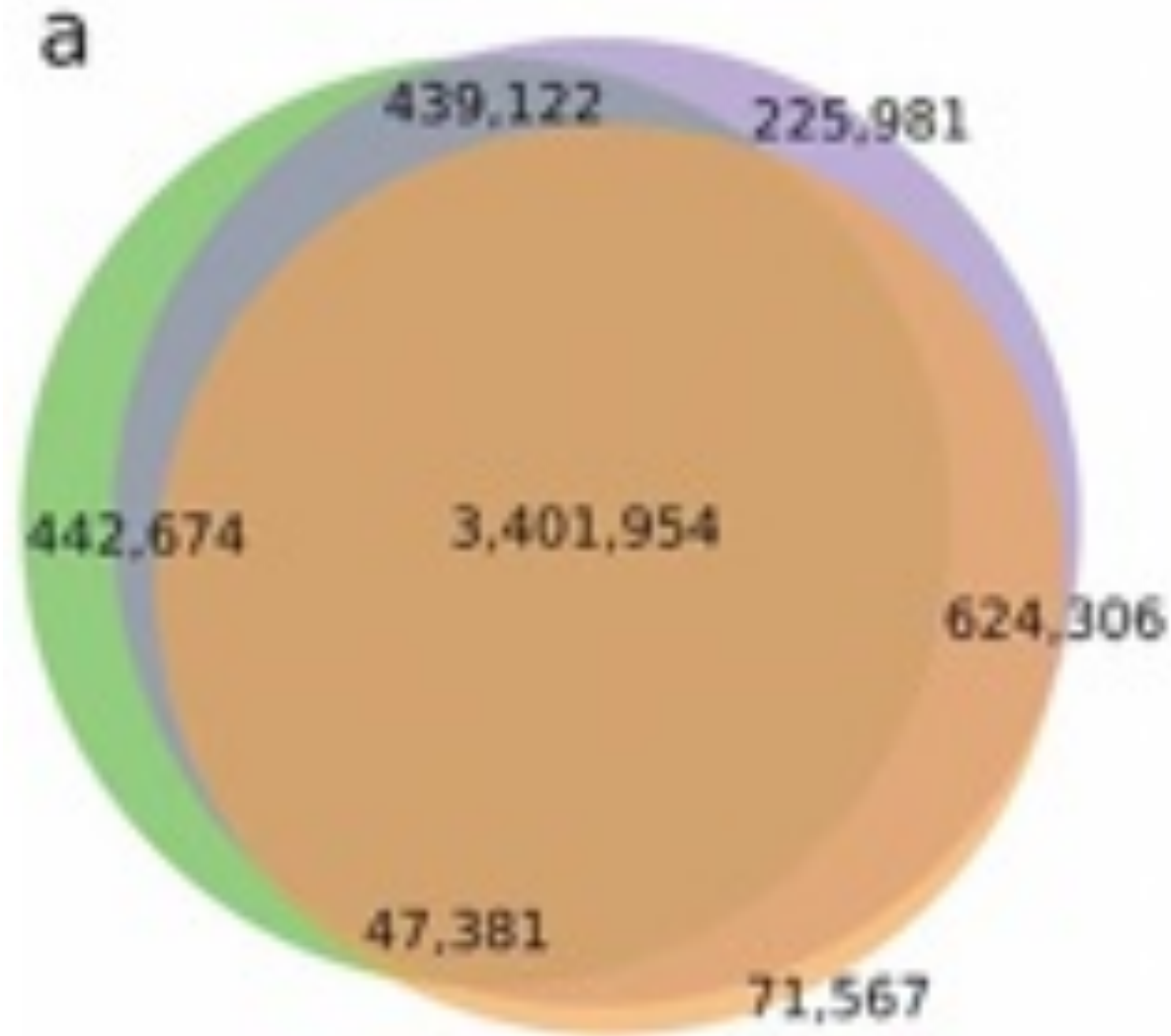
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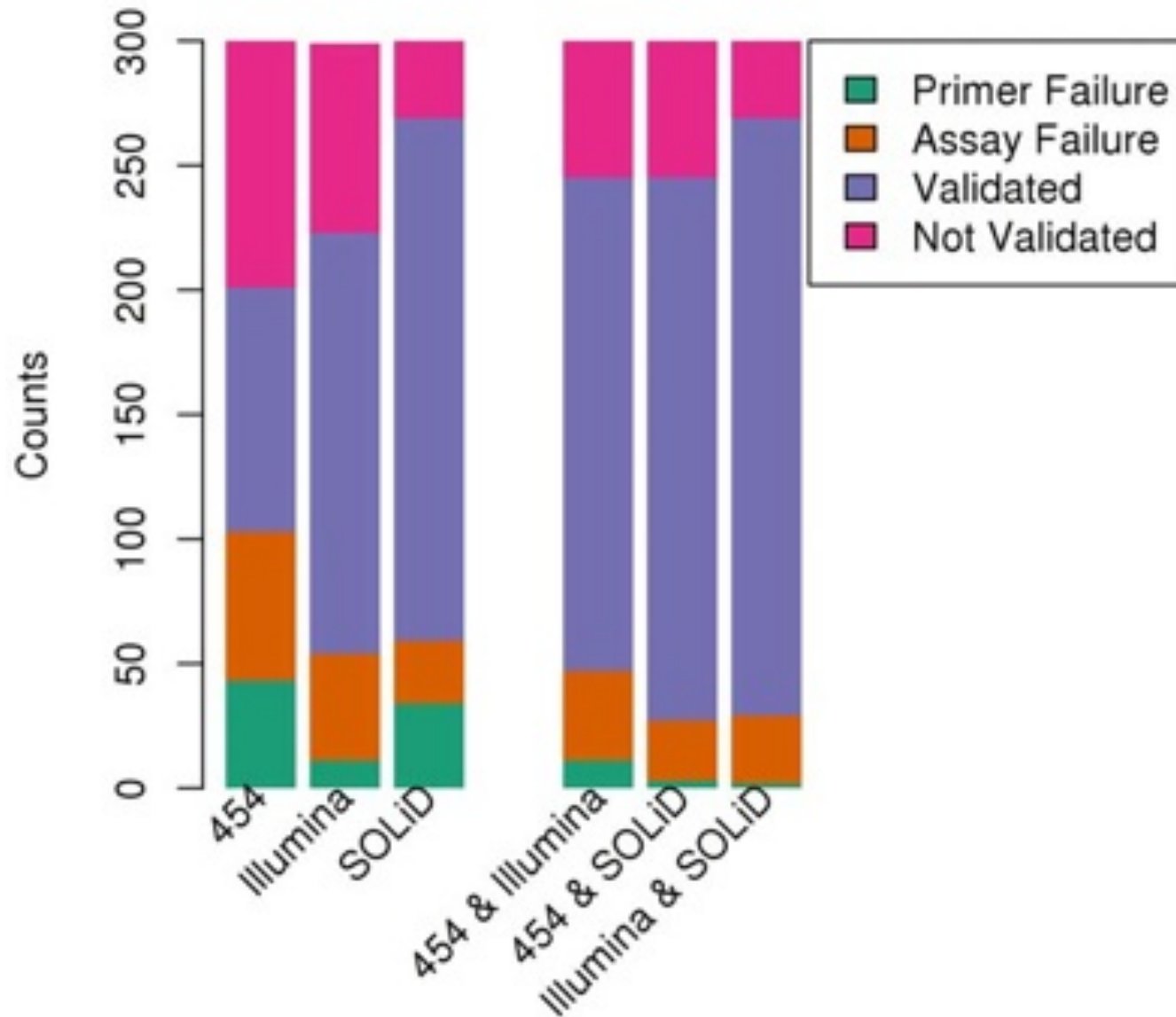
- 454: 4,331,131
- Illumina: 4,691,363
- SOLiD: 4,145,208
- Total combined: 5,252,985
- Shared between three: 3,401,954 (64.8%)

Numbers of detected variants – 5.25 M total



- “self-masking” to identify the regions in the reference genome where reads should align uniquely – LASTZ
- reference genome broken into fragments of length equal to the length of the reads
- Fragments mapped back to reference
- Considering only uniquely mappable regions
- Very useful for 454 data
- Less so for Illumina and SOLiD

Validation using Sequenom Mass Spectrometry



Reducing platform bias in next-generation sequencing.

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Poster at ASHG 2013 in Boston

Complete Genomics vs. Illumina

Concordance of base calls in potential SNP positions

Study design.

- Genomes of 7 individuals sequenced on both platforms.
- Concordance measurements presented for 4 samples with good and similar sequence statistics.
- CG: average coverage 40x, processed with CG pipeline.
- Illumina: average coverage 26x, mapping with BWA, multisample calling with SAMtools.

Study design.

- Positions selected where SNP occurred in at least one individual in a dataset of 249 humans from various populations worldwide (sequenced by CG). Sites with other types of mutations excluded.
- From this list of ca. 50 million SNP sites, we selected those for which information (either reference, variant or no-call) was available from both platforms and all samples.
- **Thus, our comparison is based on the call concordance in predefined sites, and not on the overlap of variant-only data.** If a site is discordant between platforms, it appears as private for both.

Initial filtering.

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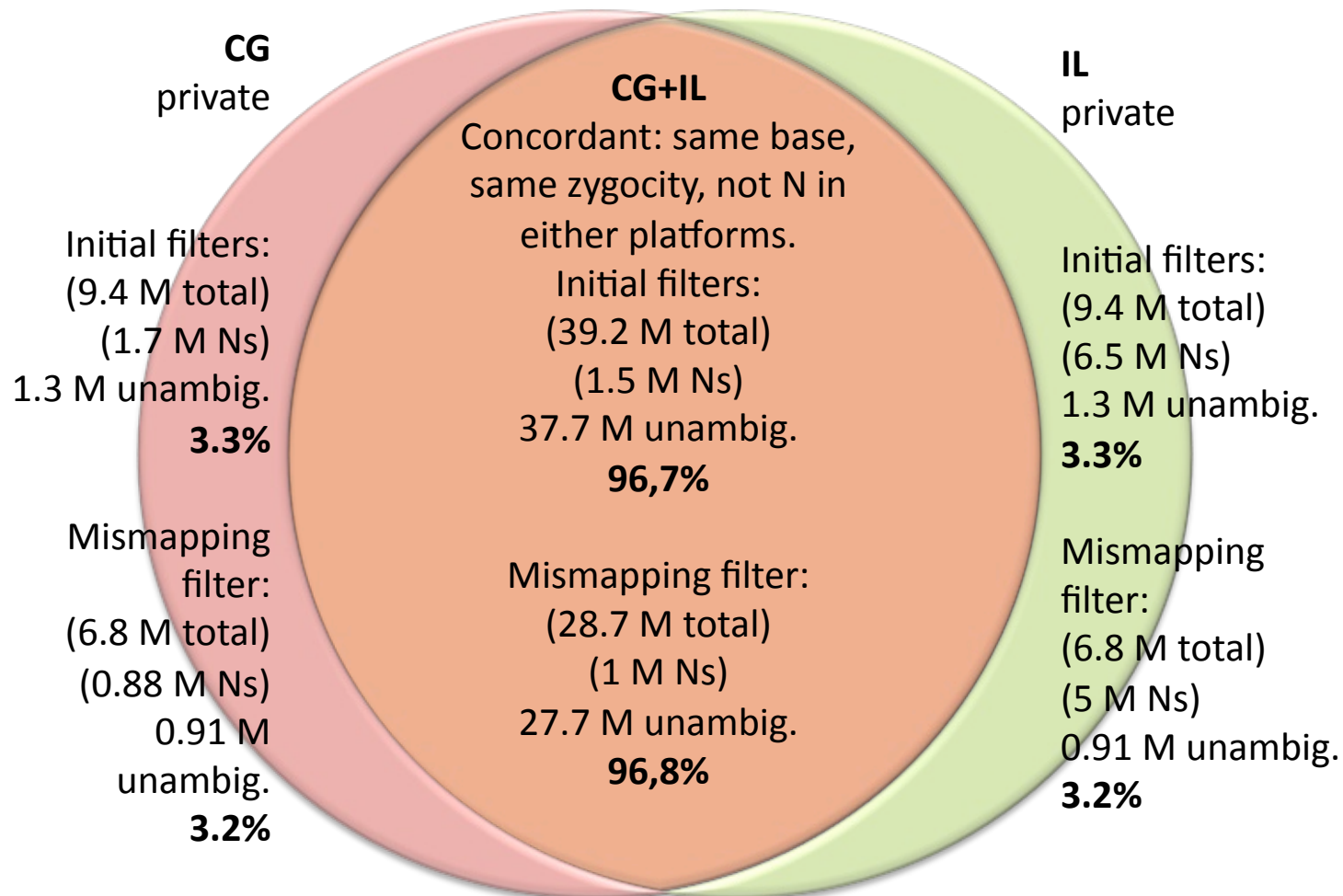
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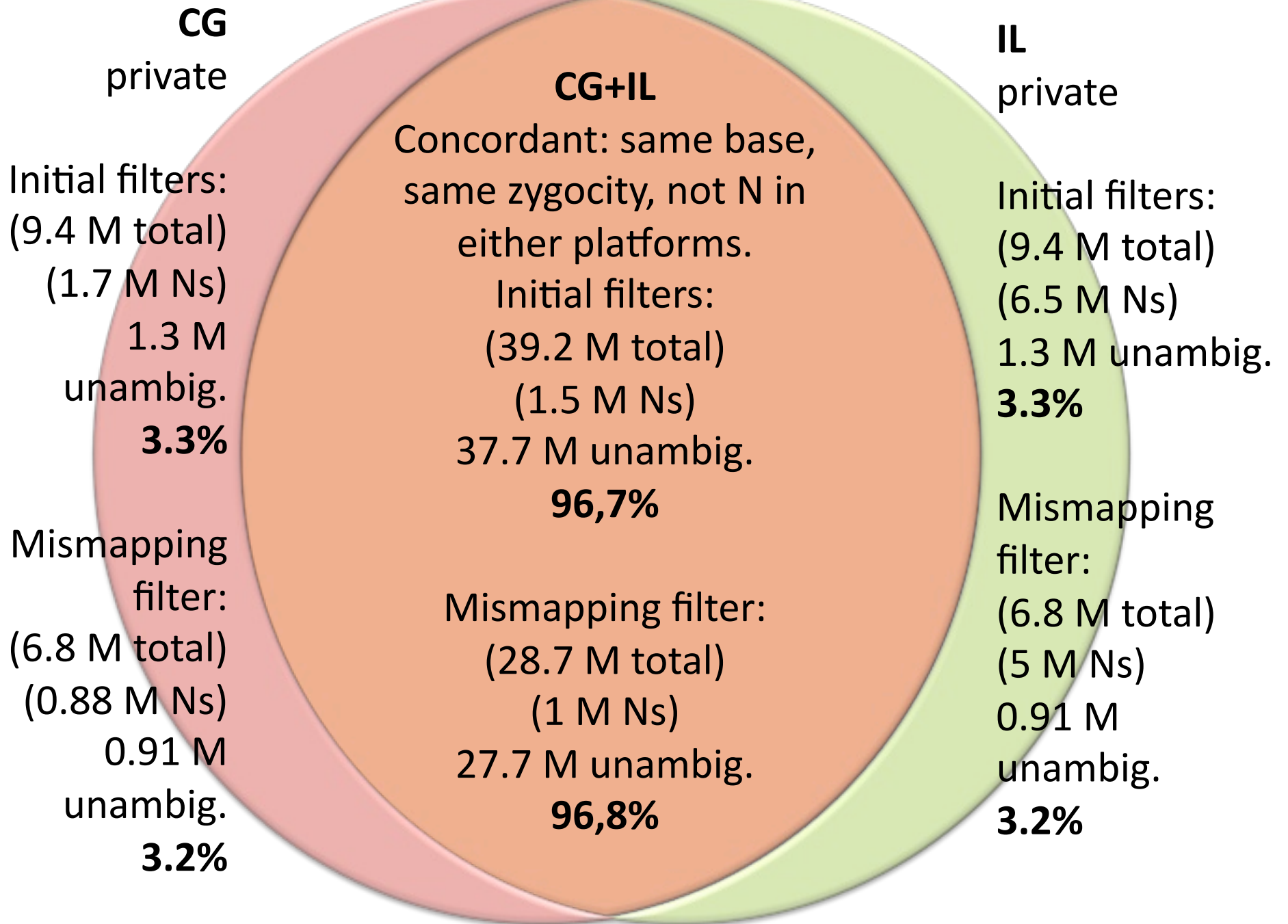
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Mismapping positions filter.

- We masked the data with windows in the genome where mapping of Illumina reads often fails.
- Applicability of these blacklists to CG data was not known.

- Total 48.6 M sites, 39 M unambiguous (not N) in both platforms.
- 29.2 M sites concordant in all 4 samples, 28.8 M unambiguous.
- **Averages over 4 samples**, given for unambiguous discordances (percent ranges ± 0.1)





- **Poor-mapping windows only minimally reduce the bias.**
- The bias in these positions is not greater than elsewhere, suggesting that if errors are indeed present in these positions in our Illumina data then the current version of our windows may also apply to CG.

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- **Despite lower quality, the additional 3 samples showed stable and very similar bias percentage as the other four: 3.4% after initial filtering, 3.3% with mismapping filter and 3.1% with biased positions filter.**