

Single Cell & Spatial Data to GRN & Signaling Models — Hands-on

Learn how to turn single cell and spatial omics readouts into mechanistic insight. This module walks through QC and clustering of scRNA-seq, spatial transcriptomics and imaging data, mapping cell states onto pathways and networks, and building GRN and signaling models that explicitly account for cell to cell variability and spatial organisation.

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Session 1

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Single Cell & Spatial Omics Foundations

scRNA-seq, spatial transcriptomics and imaging assays overview

[droplet and plate based scRNA-seq](#) [Visium and related platforms](#) [multiplexed imaging readouts](#)

Basic processing, QC and clustering pipelines

[quality metrics and filtering](#) [normalisation and HVG selection](#) [dimension reduction and clustering](#)

Defining cell types, states and trajectories for modelling

marker based annotation **pseudotime and lineage concepts** **link to GRN and signaling questions**

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GRN Inference from Single Cell Data

Regulons, TF activity and GRN building from scRNA-seq

co-expression and motif based links **SCENIC / GRNBoost concepts** **cell state specific networks**

Dynamic and trajectory aware GRN inference ideas

pseudotime and RNA velocity inputs **cause effect hints along trajectories** **limitations and robustness checks**

From inferred GRN to mechanistic model sketches

selecting key regulators and targets **encoding interactions in ODE style** **choosing levels of model detail**

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Spatial Context, Ligand–Receptor & Signaling Maps

Adding spatial coordinates to cell states and networks

spatial transcriptomics mapping **image based segmentation and features** **neighbourhood definitions**

Ligand–receptor analysis and intercellular signaling networks

databases (CellPhoneDB, NicheNet ideas) **cell type communication graphs** **prioritising key signaling**

routes

Embedding spatial and communication info into models

compartments and cell populations **diffusing signals**
vs direct contacts **link to ODE / ABM frameworks**

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Mini Capstone: Single Cell / Spatial Driven Mechanistic Model

Select a single cell or spatial dataset for a pathway question

Theory + Practical

Derive a GRN or signaling sketch and encode a simple model

cell states and communication edges **basic ODE or**
compartment model **simulate baseline and**
perturbations

Deliverables: processed data, model files and short report

notebook with analysis steps **SBML / script for the**
model **figures and interpretation summary**