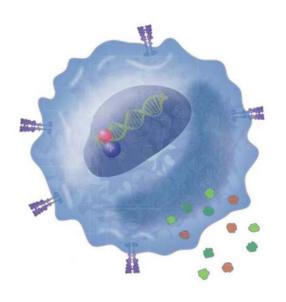


# Enabling a deeper understanding of what is on, in, and made by the cell

# Analyzing what is on, in, and Made by the Cell





	Methods of Analysis
Cell Surface Markers	<ul><li>Flow Cytometry</li><li>IF/IHC</li></ul>
Intracellular Proteins	<ul><li>IF/IHC</li><li>WB</li><li>PCR</li></ul>
Cytokines	<ul><li>ELISA</li><li>PCR</li></ul>
Cellular Processes	<ul> <li>Multiple</li> </ul>

#### **Challenges:**

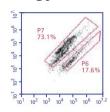
- Multiple methodologies commonly used in cell biology; consume time and materials
- Unable to correlate expression of surface and intracellular molecules
- Difficult to quantitate the percentage of cells expressing markers of interest

# Flow Cytometry: a Versatile Technology for Broad Applications



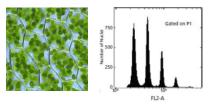
#### **Microbiology**



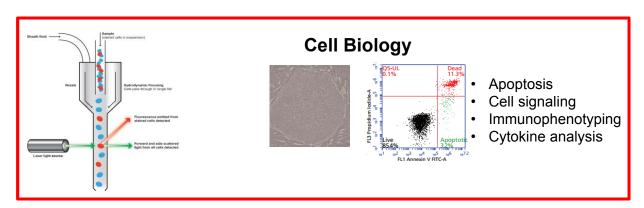


- · Aquatic microbiome analysis
- Biofuel research
- Bacteria viability and concentration

#### **Plant Biology**

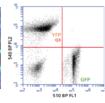


DNA content



#### **Fluorescent Protein Analysis**





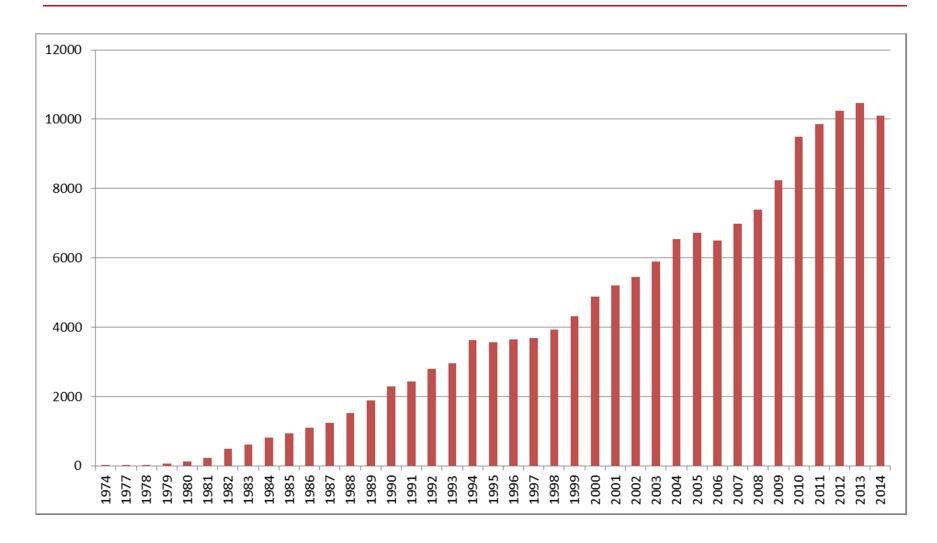
- GFP,YFP
- · mCherry, RFP
- mOrange, dTomato



# Flow Cytometry and Cell Biology

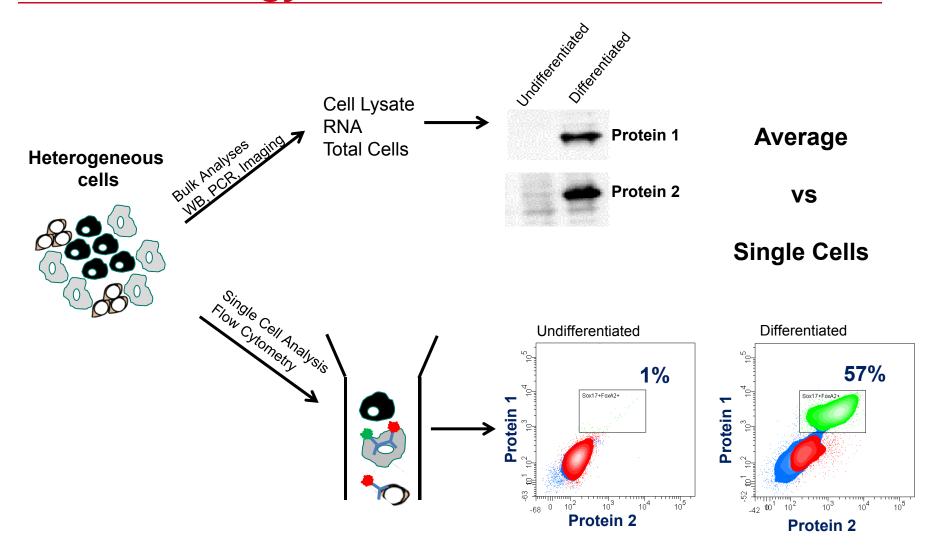
# Publications Using the Keyword "Flow Cytometry" from Publications





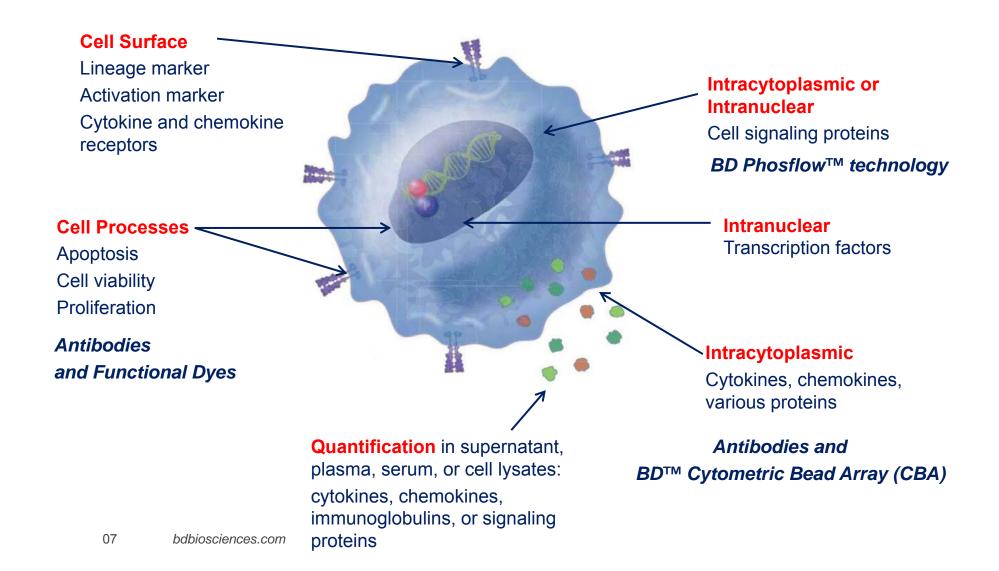
# The Relevance of Flow Cytometry in Cell Biology





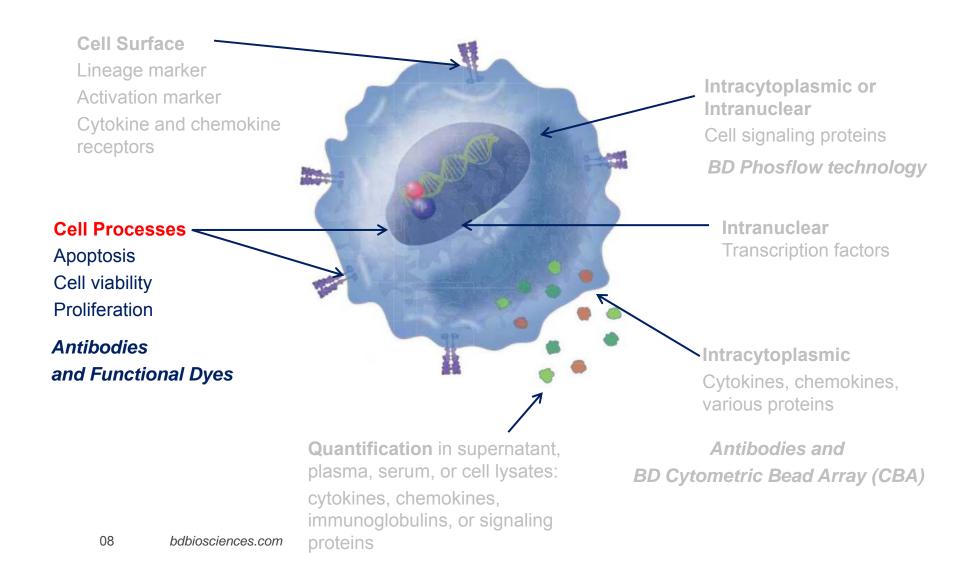
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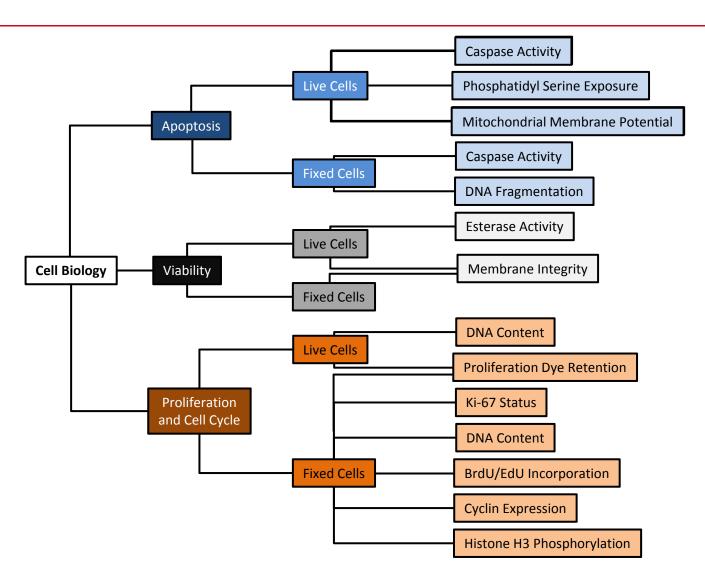
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### **Cell Function Assay Landscape**





# The BD Accuri™ C6 Personal Flow Cytometer

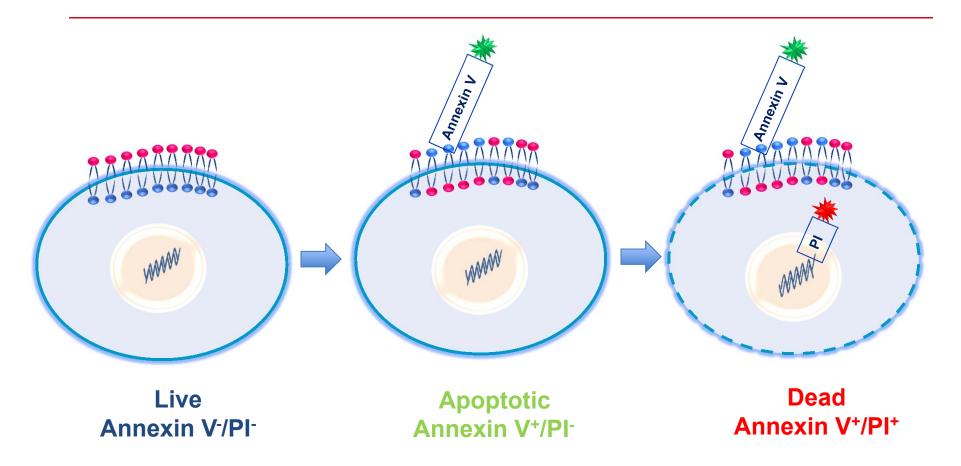


- Easy to use
- Two lasers, six parameters
- Fixed voltages
- Cell counting
- Continuous sampling
- Kits and templates



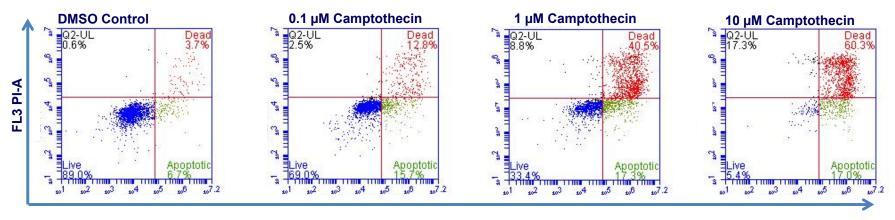
### **Apoptosis/Viability Assay**





### **Dose Response Assay**



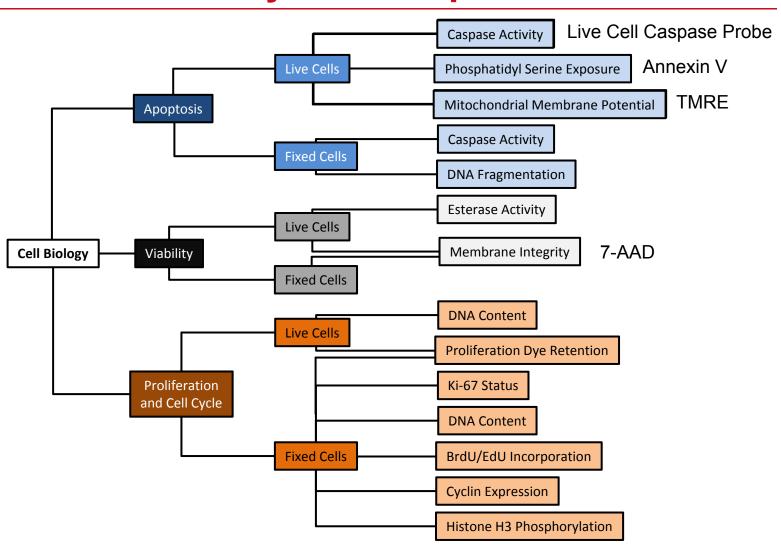


**FL1 Annexin V FITC-A** 

- MDA-MB-231 cells were treated for 48 hours with varying doses of camptothecin (0.1–100 μM).
- Cells were stained with the BD™ Annexin V Apoptosis Detection Kit and analyzed using the kit template.



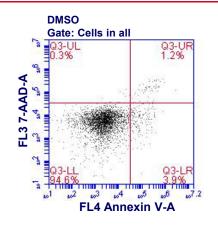
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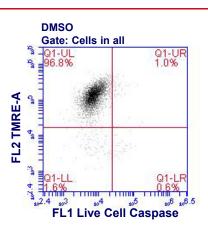


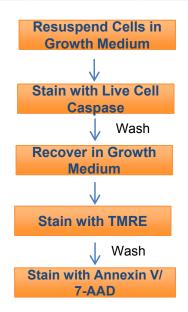
# Multiparameter Apoptosis/Viability Analysis on Live Cells

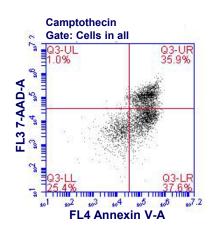


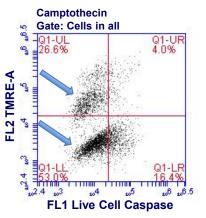
Function	Target	Probe
Apoptosis	Caspase Activity	Blue Live Cell Caspase (FL1)
Apoptosis	Mitochondrial Membrane Potential	TMRE (FL2)
Viability	Membrane Integrity	7-AAD (FL3)
Apoptosis	Phosphatidyl Serine Exposure	Annexin V (FL4)











MDA-MB-231 cells were treated for 48 hours with 10 µM of camptothecin.

### **Designing Multiparameter Cell Function Panels**



#### **Cell Cycle/Proliferation**

**Target** 

**BrdU** 

Cyclin-B

Incorporation

**DNA Content** 

Phosphorylated Histone 3

Probe

(FL1)

(FL4)

α-Cyclin-B

**Function** 

Proliferation

Cell Cycle

Cell Cycle

Cell Cycle

### α-BrdU antibody antibody (FL2) 7-AAD (FL3) α-pH3 antibody

#### **DNA Damage/Proliferation**

Function	Target	Probe
Apoptosis	Cleaved PARP	α-PARP cleaved form antibody (FL2)
Proliferation	BrdU Incorporation	α-BrdU antibody (FL3)
DNA Damage	Phosphorylated H2AX Histone	α-pH2AX (FL4)

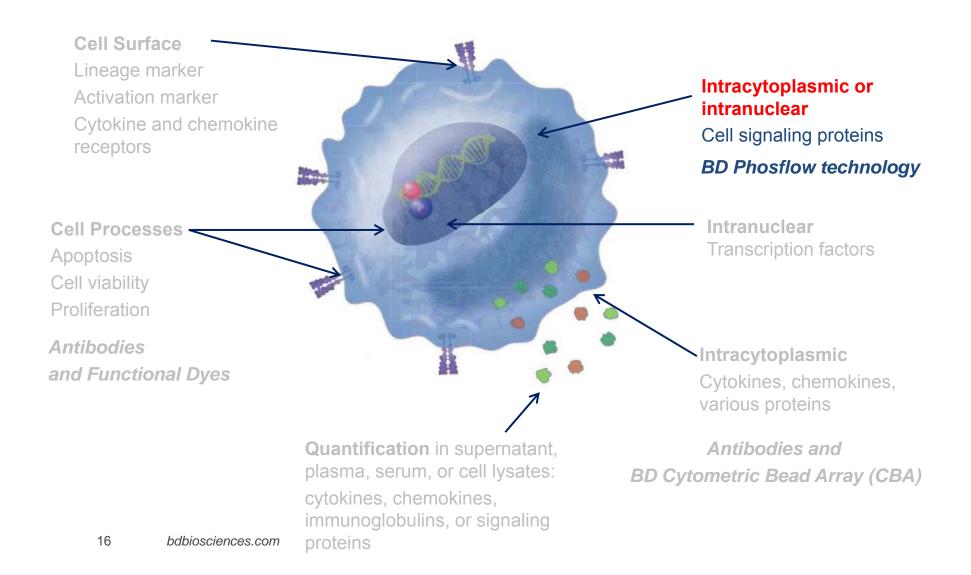
#### Cell Cycle/Viability/Apoptosis

Function	Target	Probe
Proliferation	BrdU Incorporation	α-BrdU antibody (FL1)
Apoptosis	Caspase	α-Caspase 3 antibody (FL2)
Cell Cycle	DNA Content	7-AAD (FL3)
Viability	Membrane Integrity	FVS660 (FL4)

- Multiparameter panels can be designed to analyze different cell functions simultaneously.
- Cell function reagents are offered in a variety of colors for increased panel design flexibility.
- BD Horizon™ fixable viability stains allow for simultaneous analysis of viability and intracellular molecule expression.

# **Analyzing a Cell by Flow Cytometry: More Than Surface Marker Analysis**





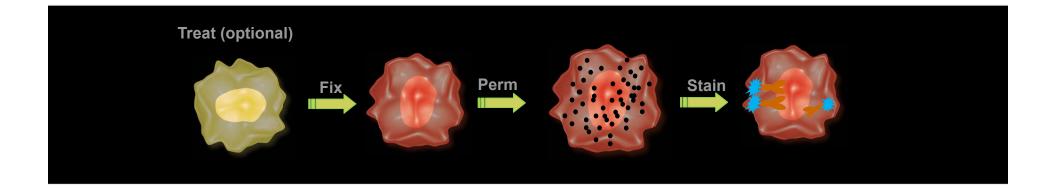
# Advantages of Phosphorylation Analysis by Flow Cytometry



- Single-cell analysis
- Rapid assay
- Reduced number of cells per test
- Quantitative
- Multiparametric
- Increased throughput

### Standard Protocol for Analyzing Protein Phosphorylation by Flow Cytometry





#### **Protocol Considerations**

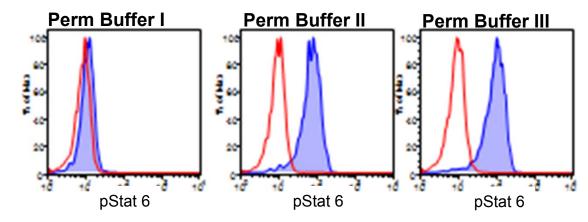


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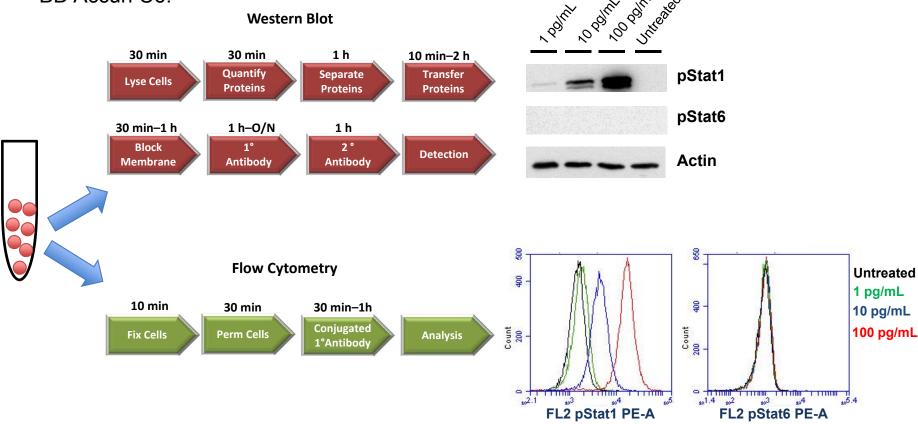
# Analysis of Stat Phosphorylation on the BD Accuri C6: Dose Response



 Human lymphoma U-937 cells were stimulated with increasing doses of IFN-γ for 15 minutes.

• Stat1 and Stat6 phosphorylation was assessed by WB or flow cytometry on the

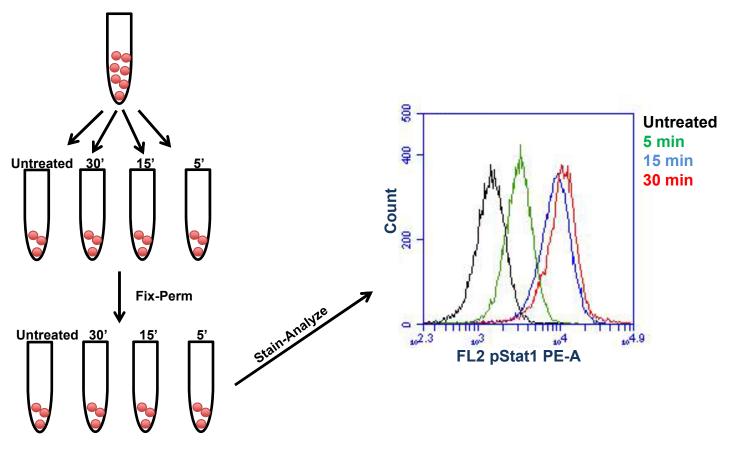
BD Accuri C6.



# **Analysis of Stat Phosphorylation on the BD Accuri C6: Time Course**



- Human lymphoma U-937 cells were stimulated with 10 pg/mL of IFN-γ for 30, 15, and 5 minutes.
- Each tube was individually stained with pStat-1 PE antibody and analyzed on the BD Accuri C6.



#### **Cell Barcoding**

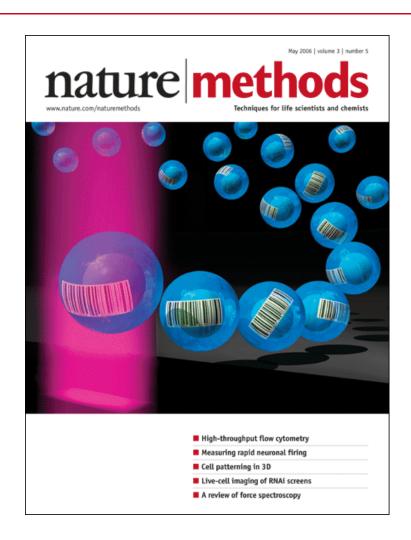


### How can we track populations of cells?

- Fluorescent markers (example, GFP, mCherry)
- Cellular dyes (example, CFSE)
- Genetic barcoding

### Fluorescent cell barcoding for flow cytometry

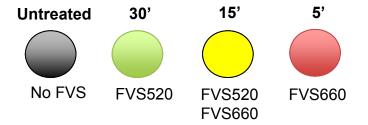
- Increases throughput
- Enables larger screens/profiles
- Improves robustness of assays
- Decreases acquisition times

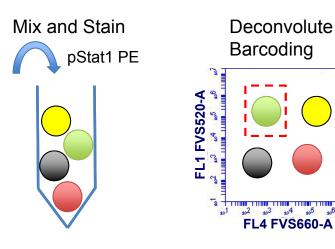


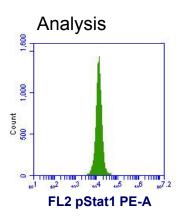


### **Barcoding: Kinetic Assay in One Tube**

- Fixed and permeabilized cells were individually color coded using BD Horizon fixable viability stains.
- Cells were then mixed and stained with a single aliquot of anti-pStat1 PE antibody.



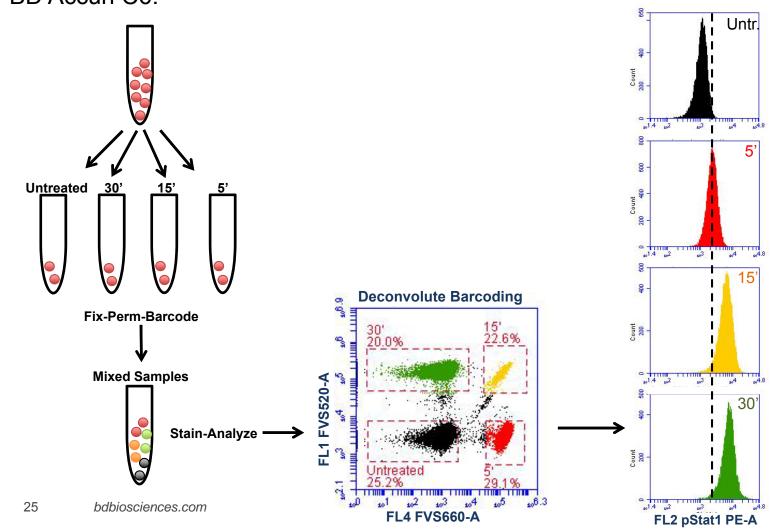






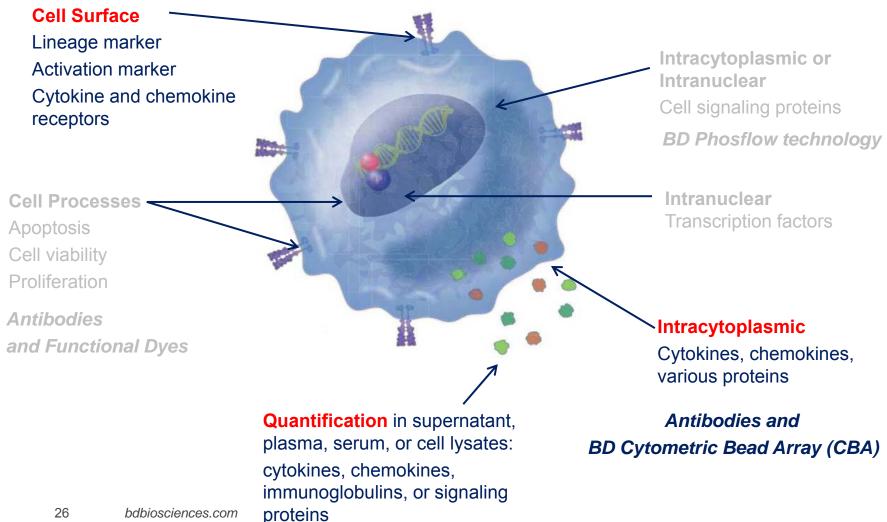
### **Barcoding: Kinetic Assay in One Tube**

 Only one tube containing all four samples was analyzed on the BD Accuri C6.



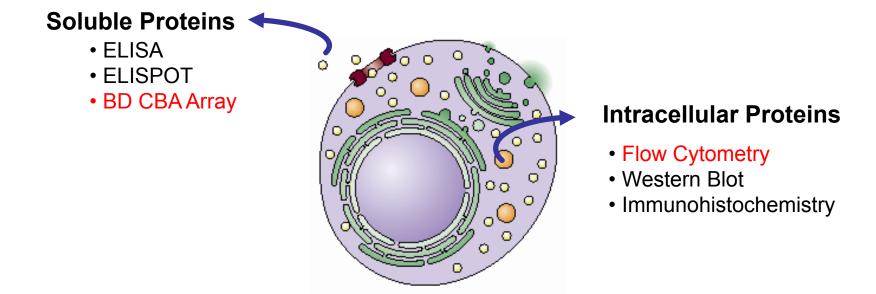
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# Multiple Methods to Analyze Cytokine Expression





Two distinct flow cytometry assays to analyze cytokine expression

- Bead-based immunoassay (BD CBA)
- Intracellular flow cytometry

# Advantages of Cytokine Analysis Using Flow Cytometry

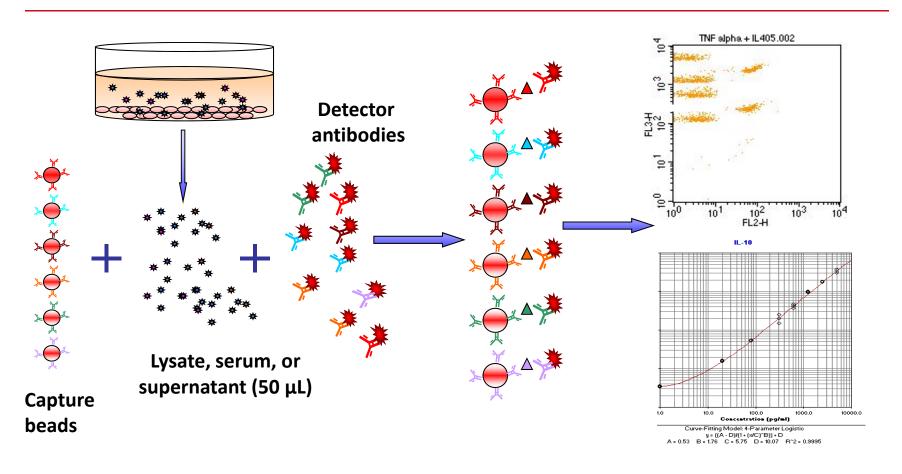


- BD CBA:
  - Quantitative and sensitive
  - Analysis of multiple cytokines simultaneously
  - Reduced sample volume requirement
  - Requires less sample dilution
- Intracellular flow cytometry:
  - Cytokine analysis at the single cell level
  - Compatible with simultaneous surface marker analysis

BD CBA and intracellular flow cytometry can be used as complementary techniques for a more comprehensive cytokine analysis.

### **BD CBA Assay**





- More than 20 analytes can be detected.
- The BD CBA array is like running multiple ELISA assays in one single tube.

#### **Cytokine Analysis in Cancer Cells**



- Pro-inflammatory stimuli induce expression of cytokines involved in cancer progression.
- Breast cancer cell lines MDA-MB-231 and MDA-MB-468 were stimulated with TNF.
- Cytokine expression was evaluated on the same sample using BD CBA and intracellular flow cytometry.

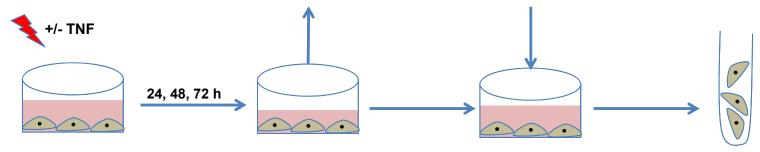
- Collect supernatant aliquot
- Add BD GolgiStop™
- Collect cells

· Dilute as needed

- Incubate for 6 h
- Surface marker stain

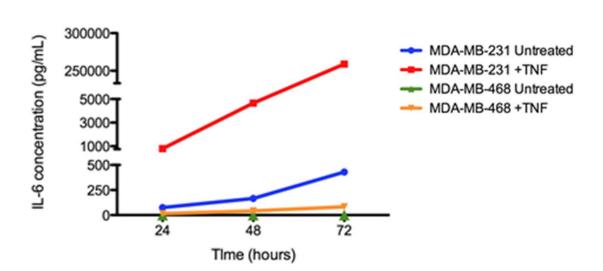
Store at -20°C

- Fix and perm
- · Intracellular cytokine stain



# Quantification of IL-6 in Cancer Cell Cultures using a BD CBA Array





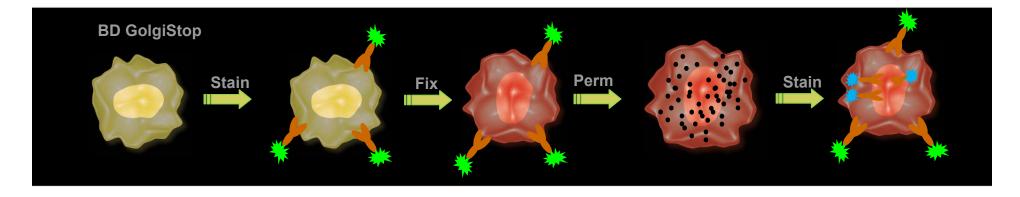
**IL-6 Concentration (pg/mL)** 

Sample	24 h	48 h	72 h
MDA-MB-231	75.7	165	429.7
MDA-MB-231 +TNF	791.2	4,564.5	258,805
MDA-MB-468	0.26	0.54	1.3
MDA-MB-468 +TNF	15.5	42.4	82.7

- The more aggressive cell line MD-MB-231 expressed a higher basal level of IL-6.
- Upon TNF stimulation, MDA-MB-231 responded by robustly increasing IL-6 secretion.

# Combining Surface and Intracellular Stain for Single Cell Cytokine Analysis

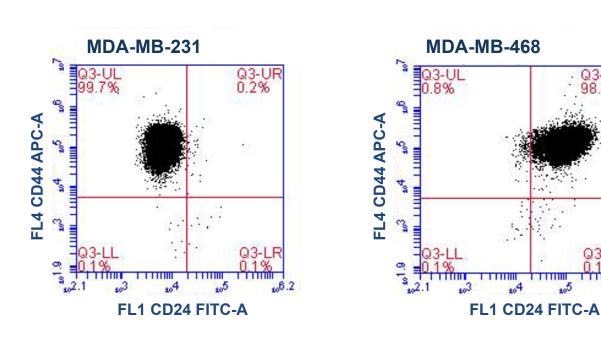




- Treat with BD GolgiStop™ inhibitor for six hours to block cytokine secretion.
- Detach with BD Accutase<sup>™</sup>.
- Stain for surface markers CD24 and CD44.
- Fix and perm.
- Stain with antibodies against IL-6.



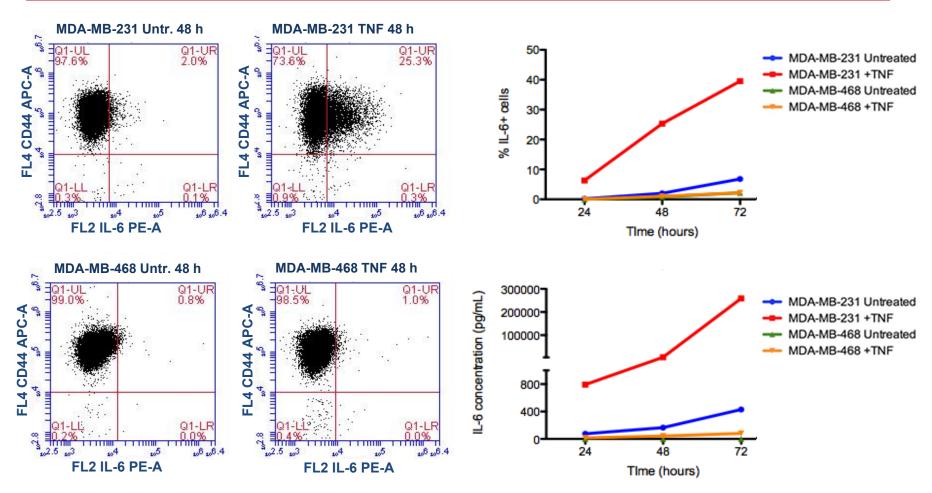
### **Surface Marker Analysis**



MDA-MB-231 cells displayed a CD44+CD24<sup>-</sup> cancer stem cell signature correlating with a more aggressive cancer phenotype.

# **Surface and Intracellular Analysis: CD44 and IL-6**





Intracellular flow cytometry results correlate with BD CBA data.

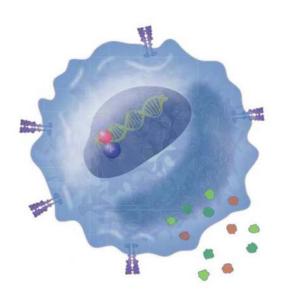


### **Cytokine Analysis Summary**

- The BD CBA assay allowed us to test multiple cytokines simultaneously and to identify IL-6 as a cytokine regulated by TNF treatment.
- The combination of surface and intracellular flow cytometry allowed us to:
  - Confirm the different phenotype of the two cell lines tested
  - Determine that only a discrete subset of MDA-MB-231 cells express
     IL-6 upon TNF stimulation

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Cellular Processes	<ul> <li>Flow Cytometry</li> </ul>

- One rapid methodology for broad cell biology applications
- Ability to correlate expression of surface and intracellular molecules
- Ability to quantitate the percentage of cells expressing markers of interest and the amount of secreted cytokines







- Free Downloadable
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