

***Part II - Applications of MultiSeq  
Evolution of Translation: Dynamics of  
Recognition in RNA:Protein Complexes***

***Part III – Towards *in silico* Cells:  
Simulating processes in entire cells***

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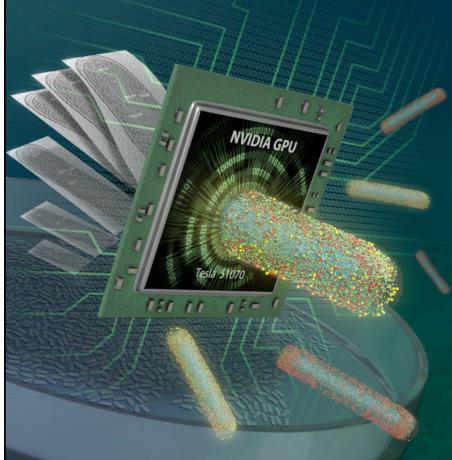
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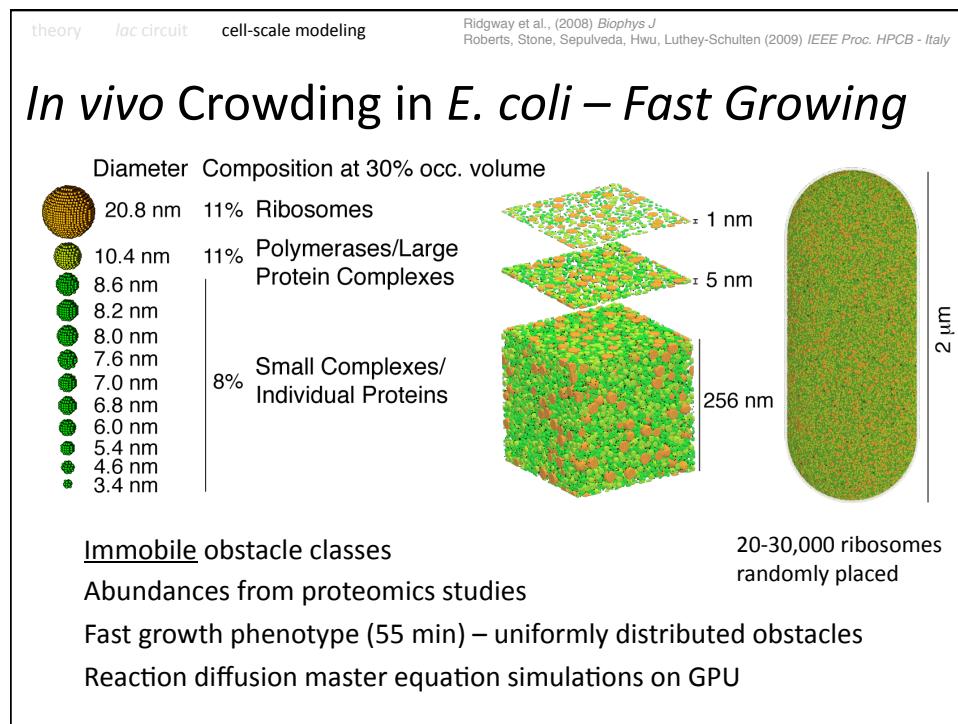
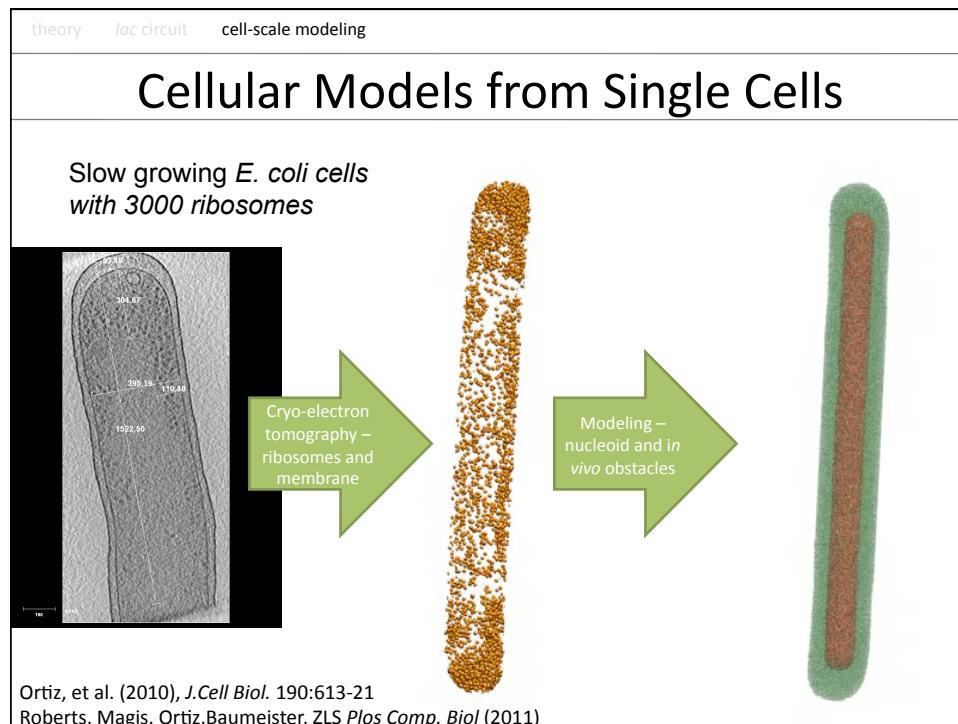


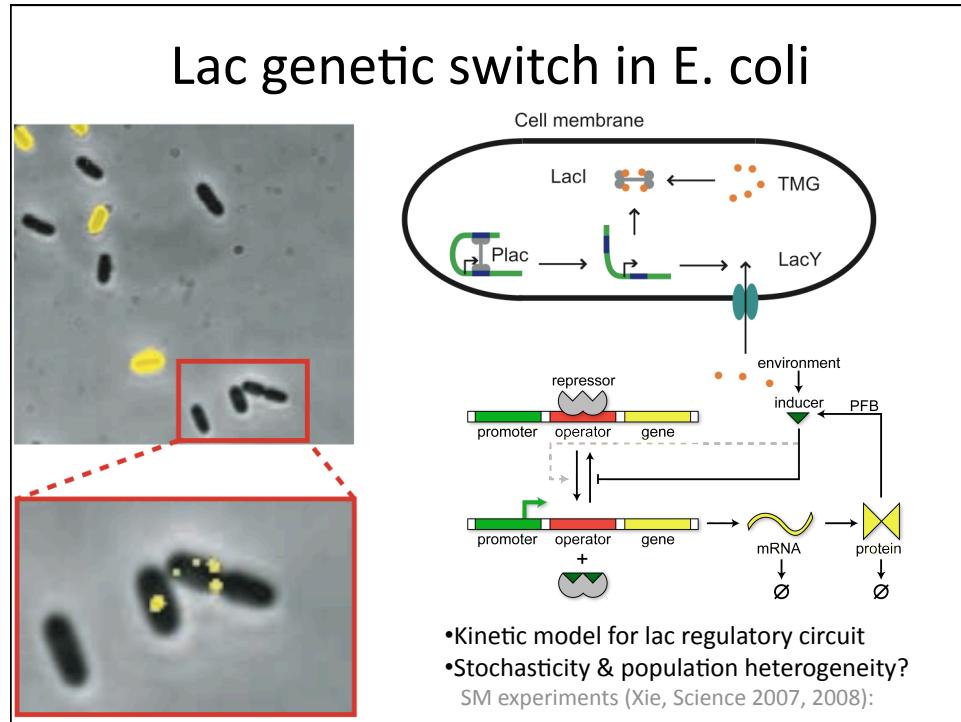
## Cellular Processes in Bacterial Cells

Noise Contributions in Genetic Switches:  
Whole Cell Simulations  
Roberts, Magis, Ortiz, Baumeister, ZLS  
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- Assemble cells for *in silico* studies with molecular crowding from CET & proteomics data
- Lac Genetic switch in *E. coli*
- Stochastic gene expression models
- Kinetic parameters from *in vitro* & SM experiments
- Compare solns with and without spatial heterogeneity
- Reaction-diffusion on a 3D lattice using GPUs for an entire cell cycle





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## Kinetic Model of lac System

Reaction	Param	Stochastic Rate	Units	Source <sup>a</sup>
<b>Lac operon regulation</b>				
$R_2 + O \rightarrow R_2O$	$k_{ron}$	2.43e+06	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$I_2R_2 + O \rightarrow IR_2O$	$k_{iron}$	1.21e+06	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$I_2R_2 + O \rightarrow I_2R_2O$	$k_{i2ron}$	2.43e+04	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$R_2O \rightarrow R_2 + O$	$k_{roff}$	6.30e-04	$s^{-1}$	S
$IR_2O \rightarrow I_2R_2 + O$	$k_{iroff}$	6.30e-04	$s^{-1}$	S
$I_2R_2O \rightarrow I_2R_2 + O$	$k_{i2roff}$	3.15e-01	$s^{-1}$	M
<b>Transcription, translation, and degradation</b>				
$O \rightarrow O + mY$	$k_{tr}$	1.26e-01	$s^{-1}$	M
$mY \rightarrow mY + Y$	$k_{tn}$	4.44e-02	$s^{-1}$	S
$mY \rightarrow \emptyset$	$k_{degm}$	1.11e-02	$s^{-1}$	S
$Y \rightarrow \emptyset$	$k_{degp}$	2.10e-04	$s^{-1}$	M
<b>Lac inducer-repressor interactions</b>				
		TMG   IPTG	TMG   IPTG	
$I + R_2 \rightarrow IR_2$	$k_{ion}$	2.27e+04	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$I + IR_2 \rightarrow I_2R_2$	$k_{i2on}$	1.14e+04	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$I + R_2O \rightarrow IR_2O$	$k_{iopon}$	6.67e+02	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$I + IR_2O \rightarrow I_2R_2O$	$k_{i2opon}$	3.33e+02	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	M
$IR_2 \rightarrow I + R_2$	$k_{ioff}$	2.00e-01	$s^{-1}$	K
$I_2R_2 \rightarrow I + IR_2$	$k_{i2off}$	4.00e-01	$s^{-1}$	K
$IR_2O \rightarrow I + R_2O$	$k_{iopoff}$	1.00e+00	$s^{-1}$	K
$I_2R_2O \rightarrow I + IR_2O$	$k_{i2opoff}$	2.00e+00	$s^{-1}$	K
<b>Inducer transport</b>				
$I_{ex} \rightarrow I$	$k_{id}$	2.33e-03	$s^{-1}$	K
$I \rightarrow I_{ex}$	$k_{id}$	2.33e-03	$s^{-1}$	K
$Y + I_{ex} \rightarrow YI$	$k_{yion}$	3.03e+04	$M^{-1}s^{-1}$	K
$YI \rightarrow Y + I_{ex}$	$k_{yioff}$	1.20e-01	$s^{-1}$	K
$YI \rightarrow Y + I$	$k_{it}$	1.20e+01	$s^{-1}$	K

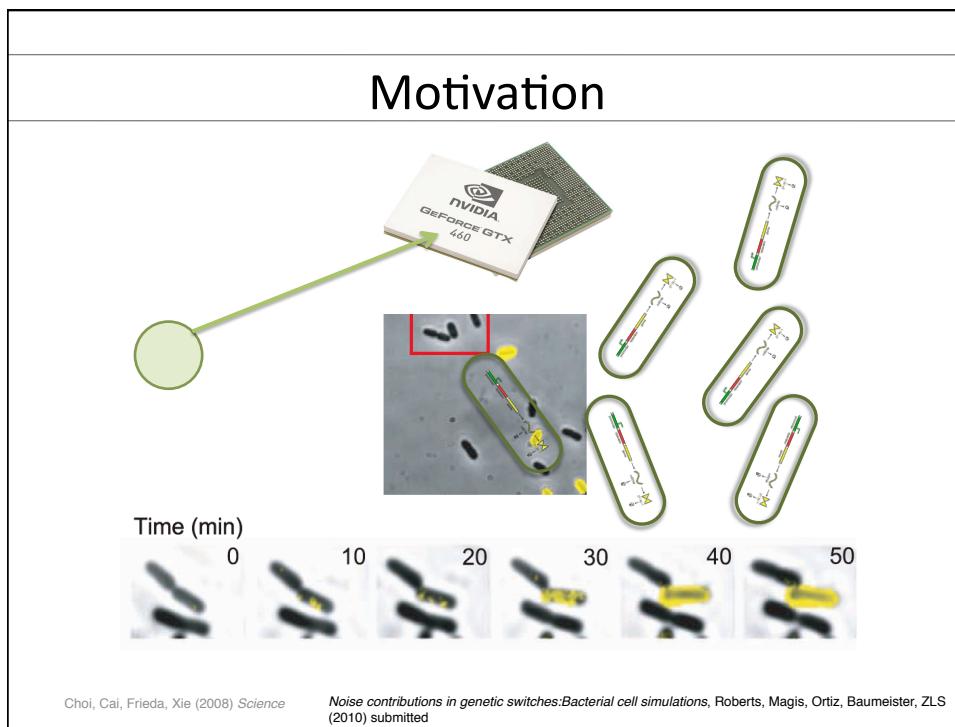
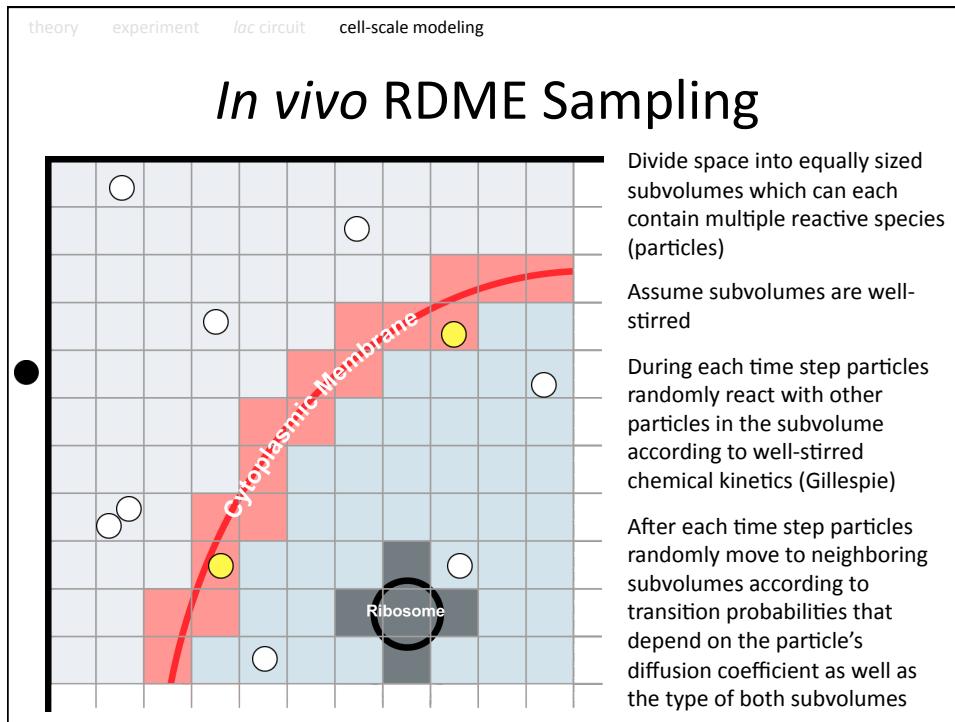
K – in vitro kinetic experiment

S – single molecule experiment

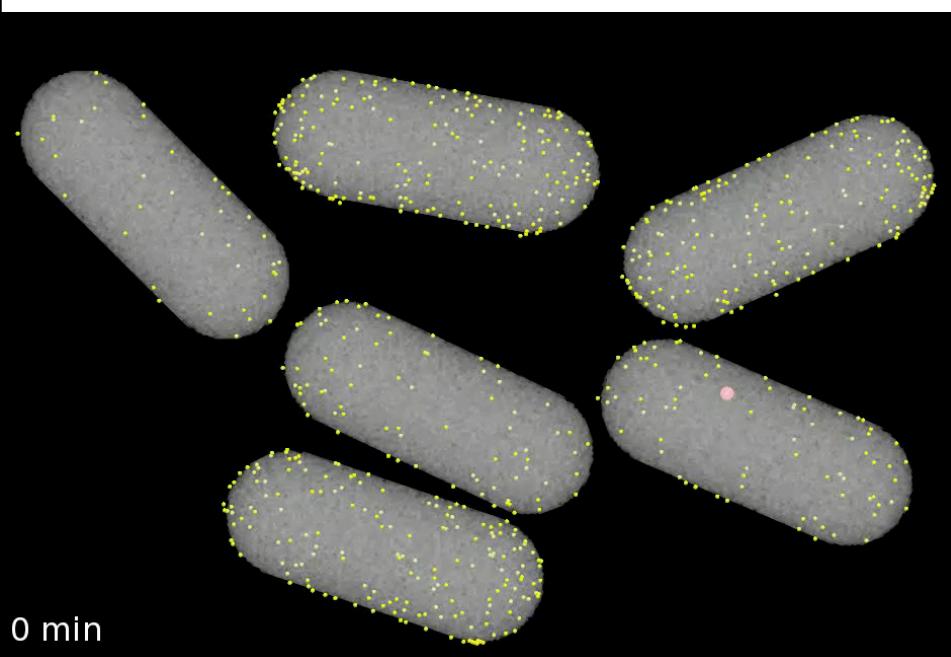
M – model parameter fit to single-molecule distributions

A scatter plot showing the relationship between burst size and inducer concentration. The x-axis is labeled '[I] (mM)' and ranges from 0 to 200. The y-axis is labeled 'Burst Size (B)' and ranges from 0 to 160. The data points show a linear increase from approximately (0, 20) to (200, 120).

[I] (mM)	Burst Size (B)
0	20
25	40
50	60
75	80
100	100
125	120
150	140
175	160



### Switching in Fast Growing E. coli Cells – Bursting of mRNA

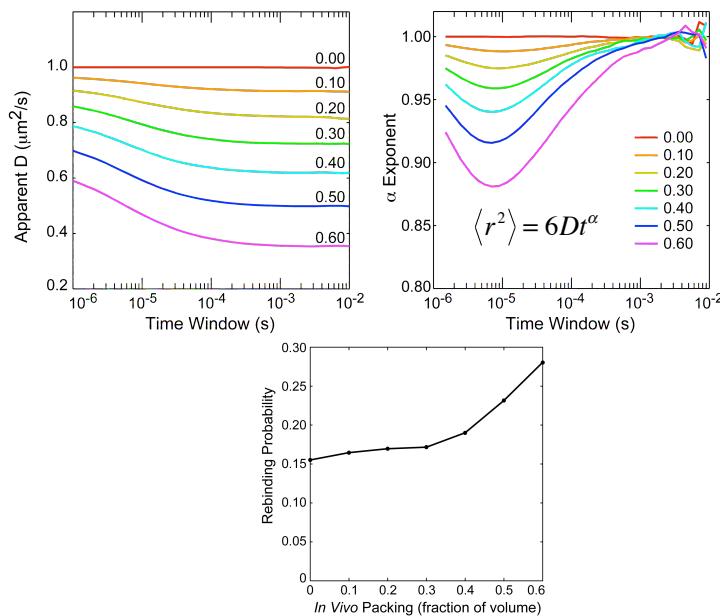


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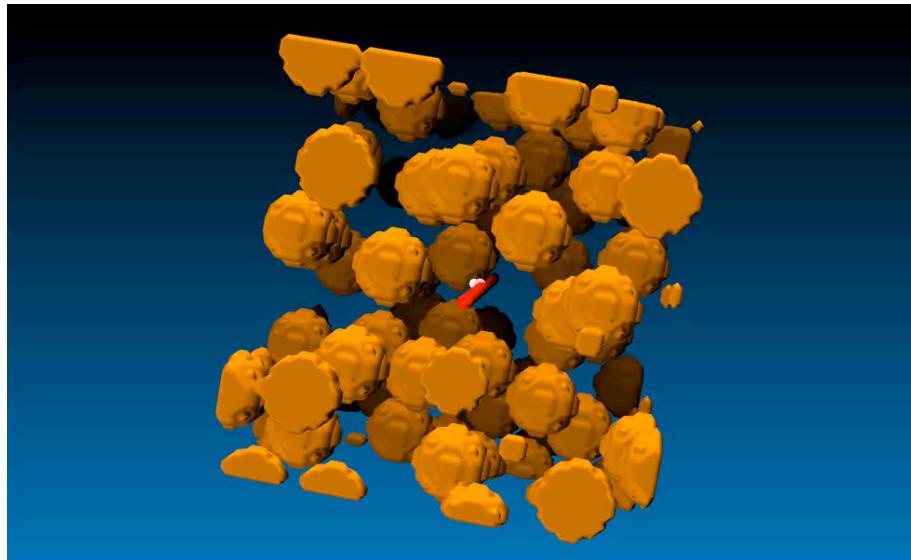
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### Anomalous Repressor Rebinding



**Effect of *in vivo* crowding on repressor re-binding  
(uniform distribution of ribosomes)**

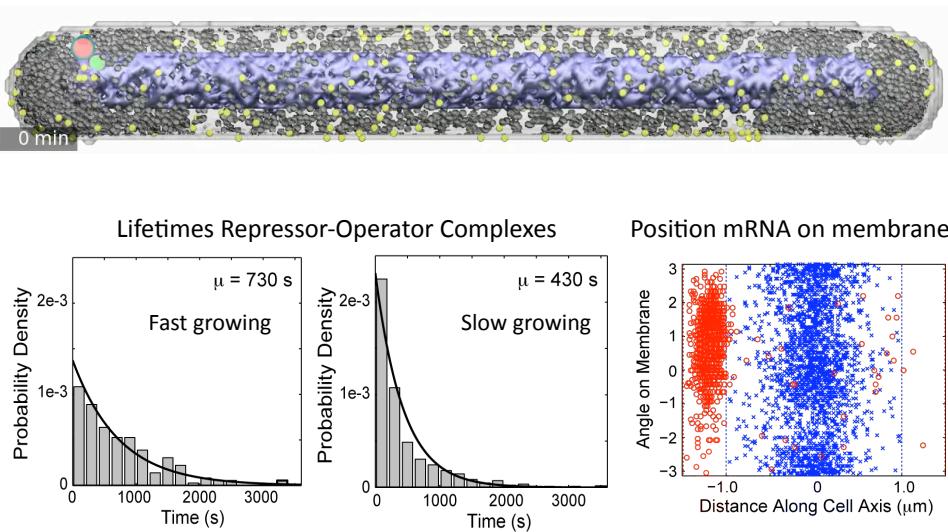


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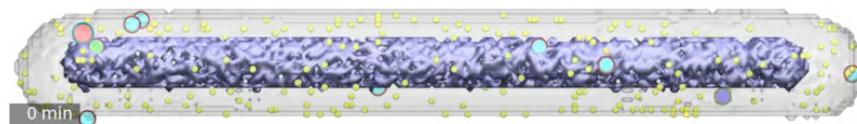
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***In vivo* – Slow Growing Cells**



## Repressor dynamics – *in vivo* model of slow growing cells

Inducer binding to repressors causes shorter repressor-operator lifetimes  
(ribosomes omitted for clarity)



Red – mRNA bursting Yellow – Lac Y protein  
Green/white – LacY gene bound/free  
Light Blue – Repressor +  $I_2$   
Dark Blue -- Repressor + I

## Predicting the rates of switching

