## Examining neuronal cell type specificity using FOXP2

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## Attempts to classify cellular diversity in mouse cortex

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Miyoshi et al. J. Neurosci. 2007





Toledo-Rodriguez et al. J Physiol 2005





# New approaches are needed to study brain structure, function and disease in human

## Animal models of Alzheimer disease: historical pitfalls and a path forward

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### Genomic responses in mouse models poorly mimic human inflammatory diseases

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#### Review Article Lost in translation: animal models and clinical trials in cancer treatment

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Abstract: Due to practical and ethical concerns associated with human experimentation, animal models have been essential in cancer research. However, the average rate of successful translation from animal models to clinical cancer trials is less than 8%. Animal models are limited in their ability to mimic the extremely complex process of human carcinogenesis, physiology and progression. Therefore the safety and efficacy identified in animal studies is generally not translated to human trials. Animal models can serve as an important source of *in vivo* information, but alternative translational approaches have emerged that may eventually replace the link between *in vito* studies and clinical applications. This review summarizes the current state of animal model translation to clinical practice, and offers some explanations for the general lack of success in this process. In addition, some alternative strategies to the classic *in vivo* approach are discussed.

### Lost in translation: Treatment trials in the SOD1 mouse and in human ALS

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### Human Cell Types Program: Using a systematic approach to study cell types in human neocortex



## FOXP2 is associated with language and defines specific cortical cell types

It is a marker of layer 6 neurons in the cortex

This suggests **FOXP2** is involved in the feedback loop between the thalamus and the cortex

L5

L6

oxn



# **Middle Temporal Gyrus**



NeuN staining of the mid temporal gyrus



#### Processing of neurosurgical tissue



section at 350 um

of interest

Isolation and sorting of single cells via FRISCR





## **Procedures**





# **IHC and FACS staining results**







## **Bioanalyzer Results**



#### High quality cDNA from FOXP2 cell

		Siz	e [bp]	Conc. [pg/µl]	Molarity [p	mol/l]	Observations
Þ	•	1	35	125.00	5	5,411.3	Lower Marker
2			82	13.81		254.6	
3			93	60.99		989.8	
4			612	27.85		69.0	
5			648	26.91		62.9	
6			700	33.18		71.8	
7	Г		906	107.17		179.3	
8			977	54.99		85.2	
Res	ults	s <u>P</u> ea	k Table	Region Table	Legend		



### Poor quality cDNA from FOXP2 cell

		Size [bp]	Conc. [pg/µl]	Molarity [pmol/l]	Observations
•	◀	35	125.00	5,411.3	Lower Marker
2		55	28.10	780.4	
3		10,380	75.00	10.9	Upper Marker

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