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Introduction to Spectral Cytometry

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Objectives

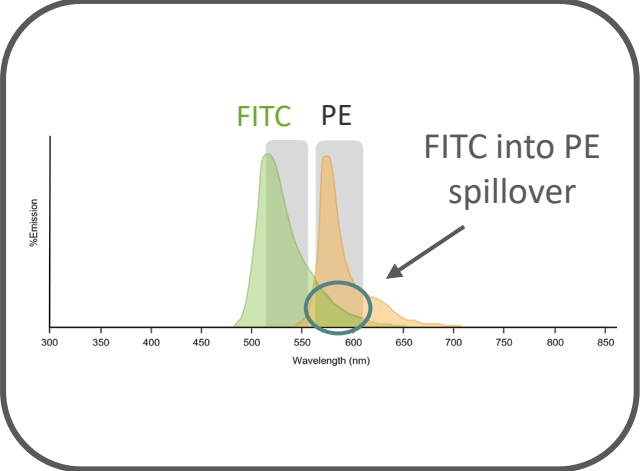
- Conventional vs Spectral
- Generating Full Spectrum Signatures
- Benefits of Full Spectrum Profiling™
- Understanding Unmixing

Conventional vs. Full Spectrum: Similarities

Run controls to define fluorescent signal on the cytometer



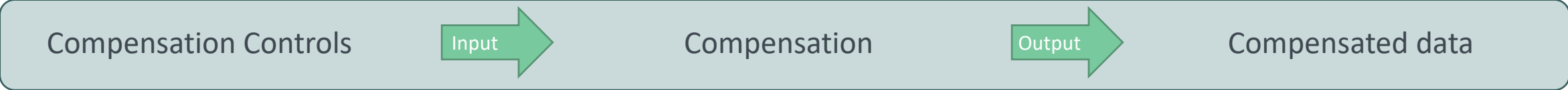
Account for spectral overlap with a mathematical calculation



Run multicolor samples with calculation applied



Conventional Flow Cytometry Terminology

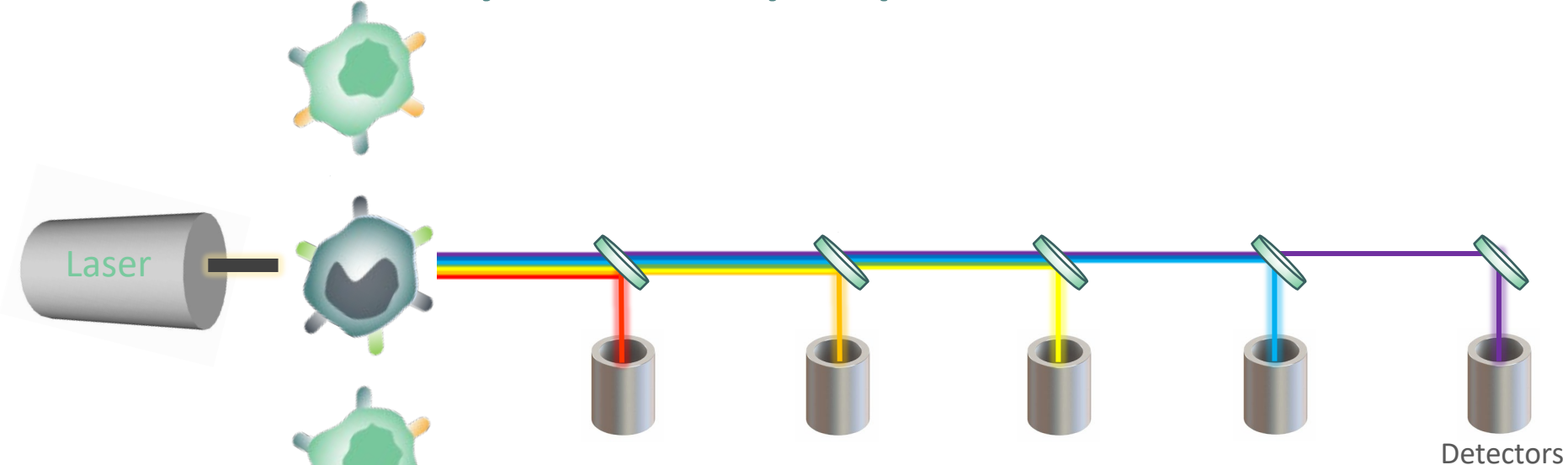


Full Spectrum Flow Cytometry Terminology

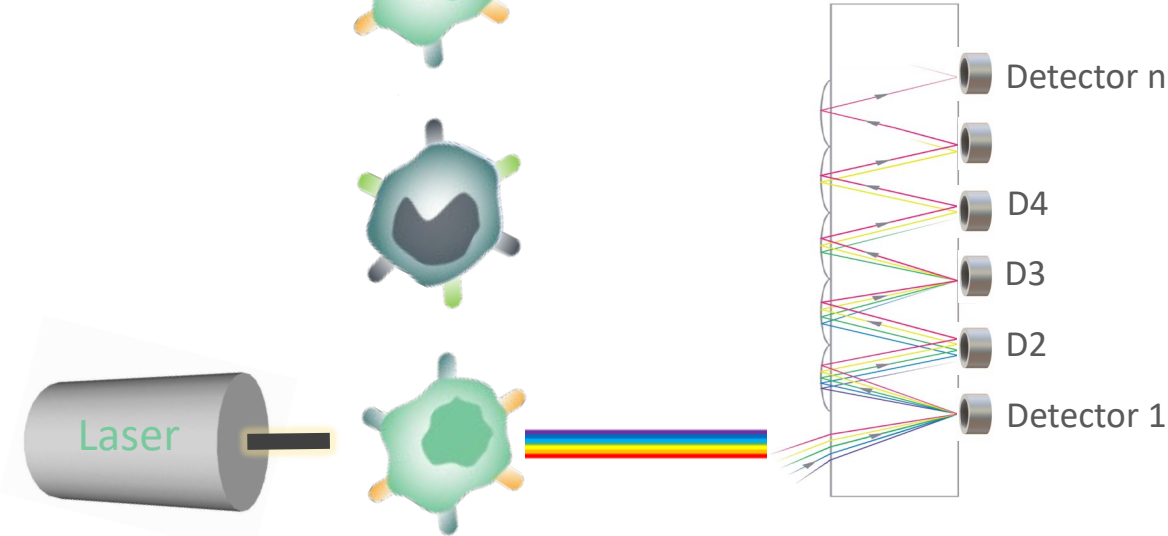


Flow Cytometry Optics

Conventional

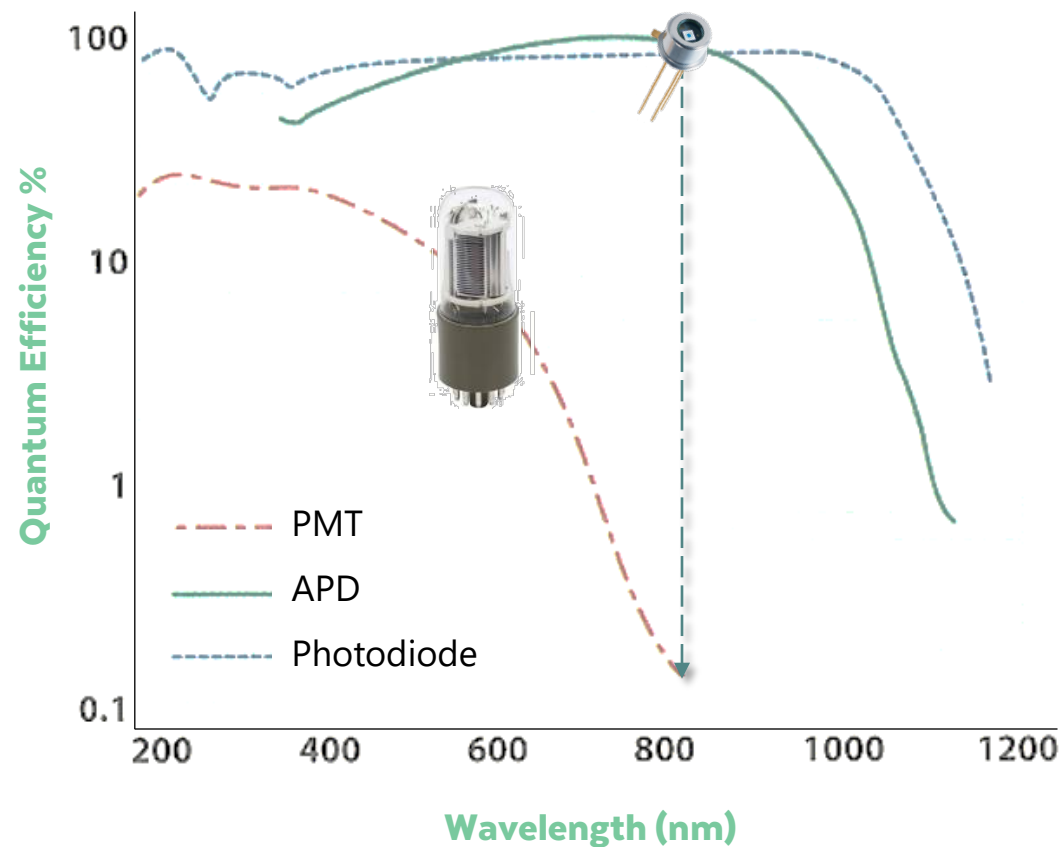


Spectral



Why APDs?

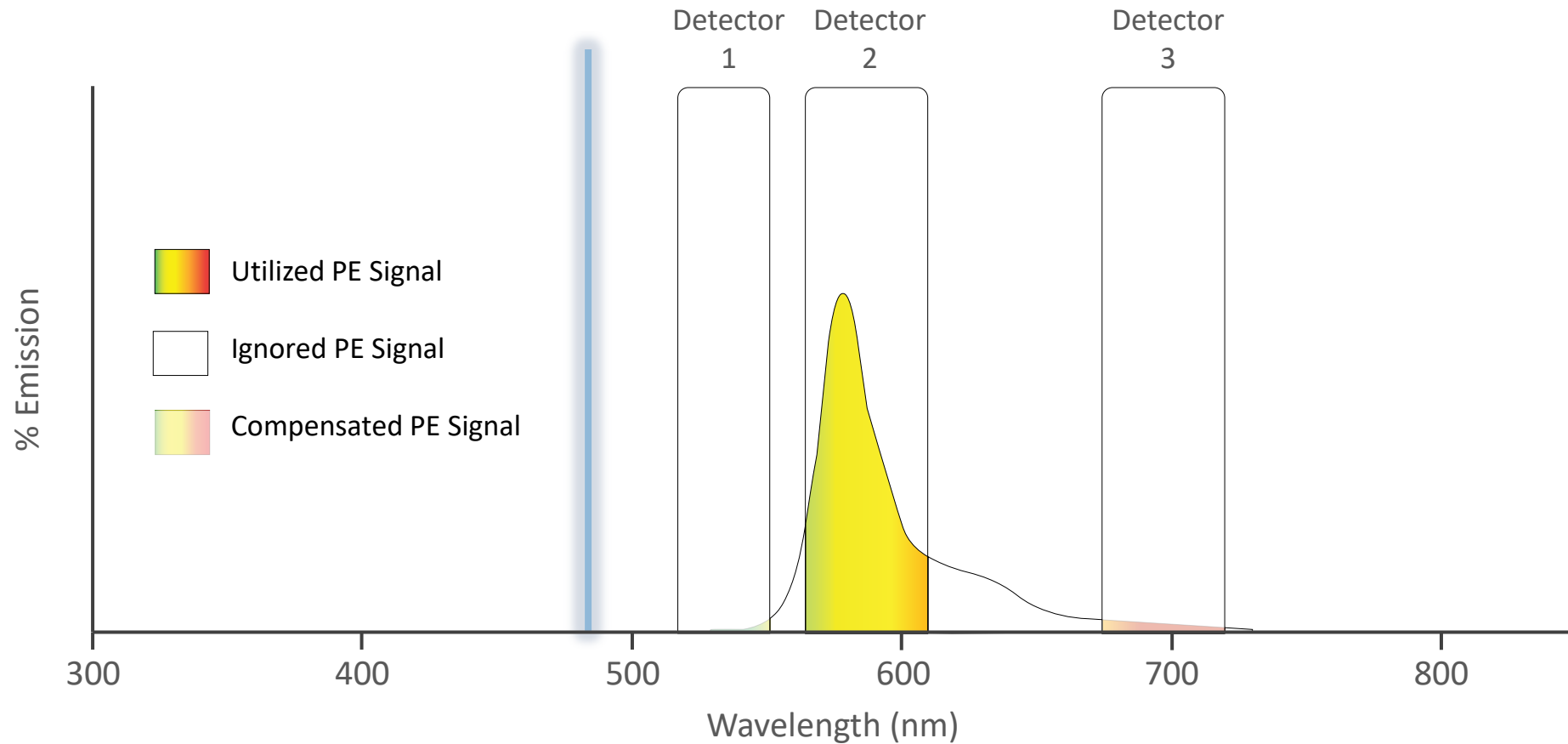
- 1 High QE in red region
- 2 High sensitivity for far red dyes



Data from Hamamatsu Photonics

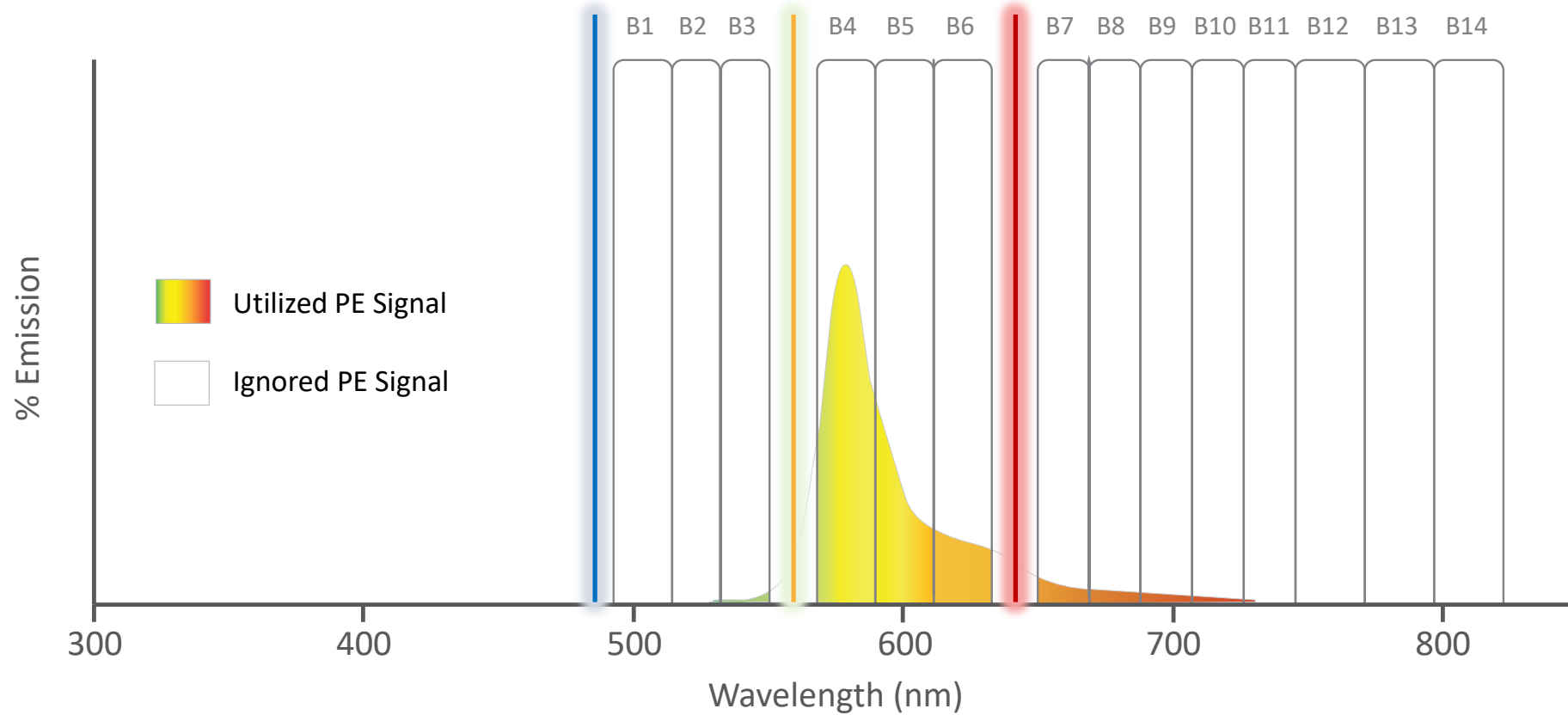
Conventional vs. Full Spectrum: Differences

Detecting PE on a conventional cytometer

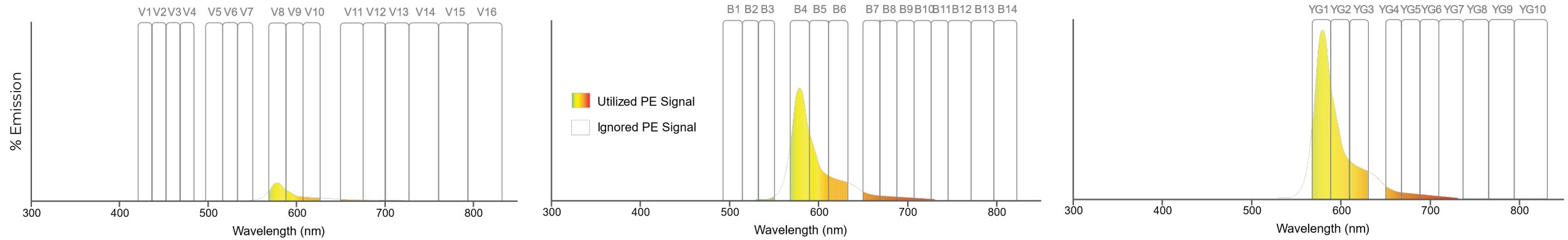


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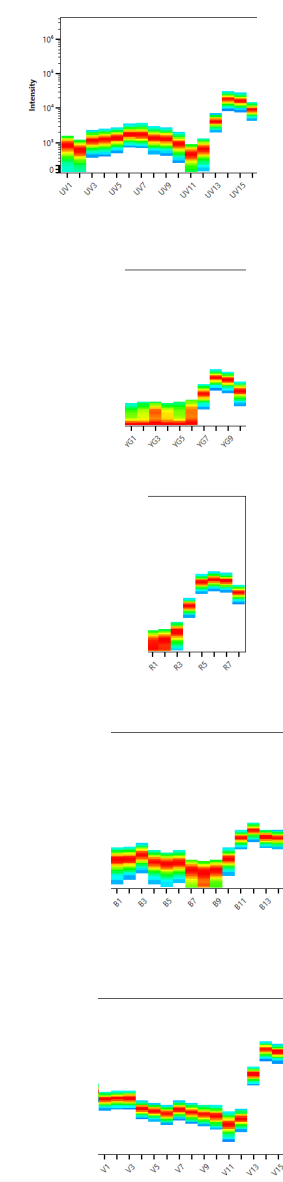
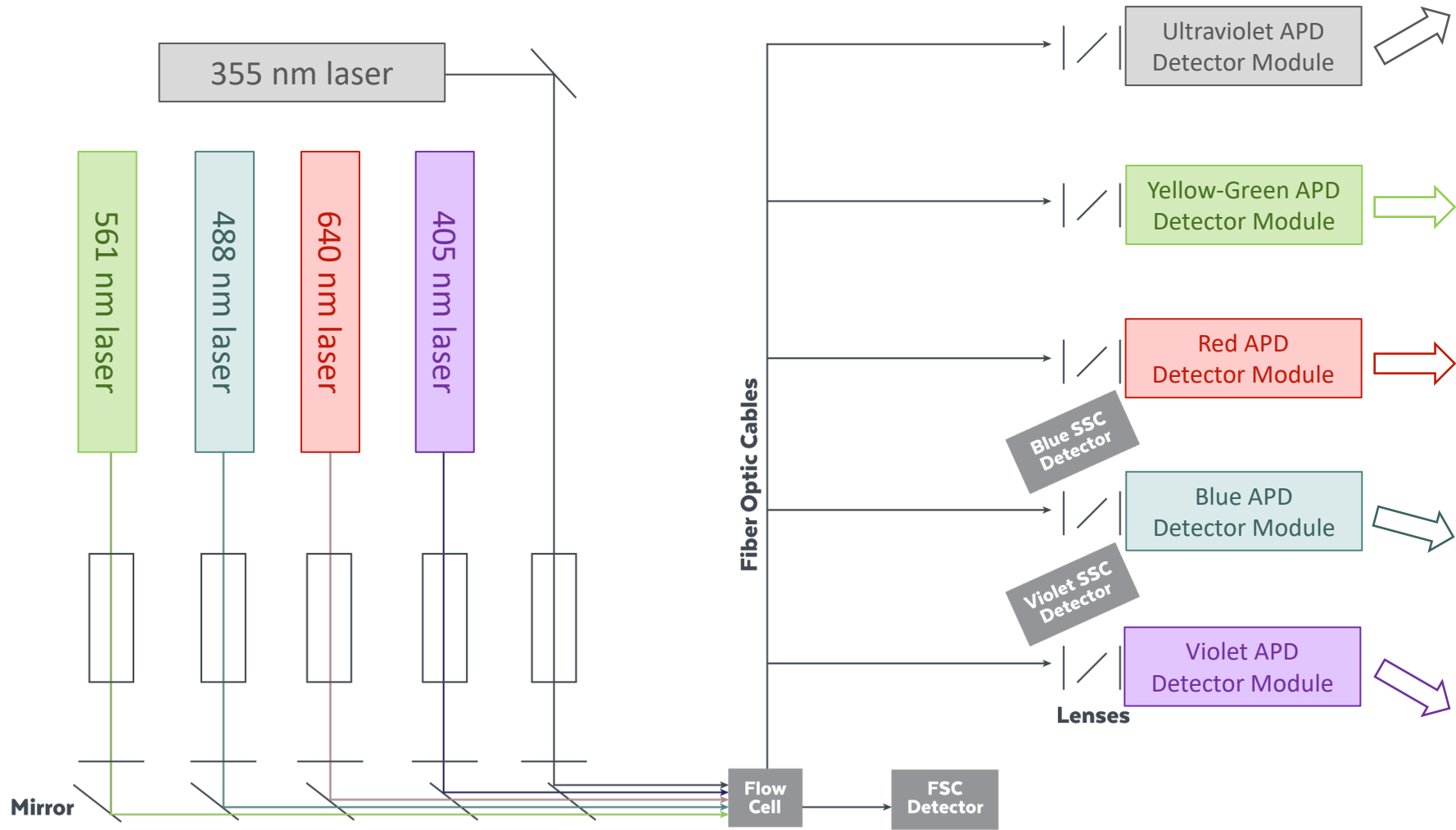
Detecting PE on a Cytex® System



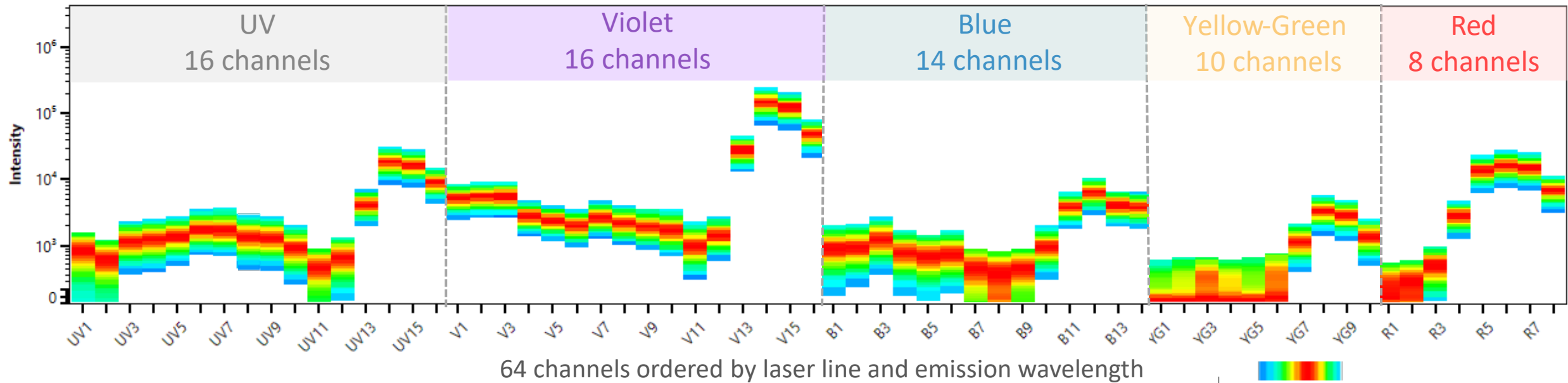
Full Spectrum Profiling™



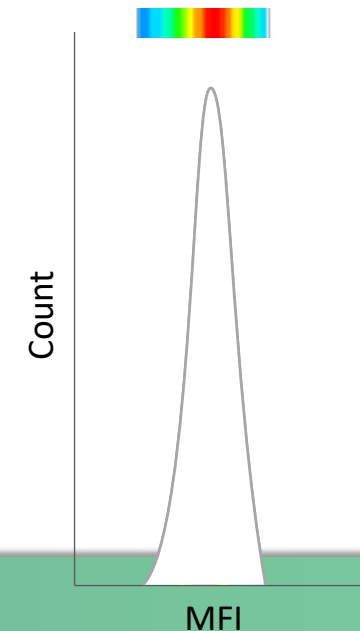
Generating a Full Spectrum Signature



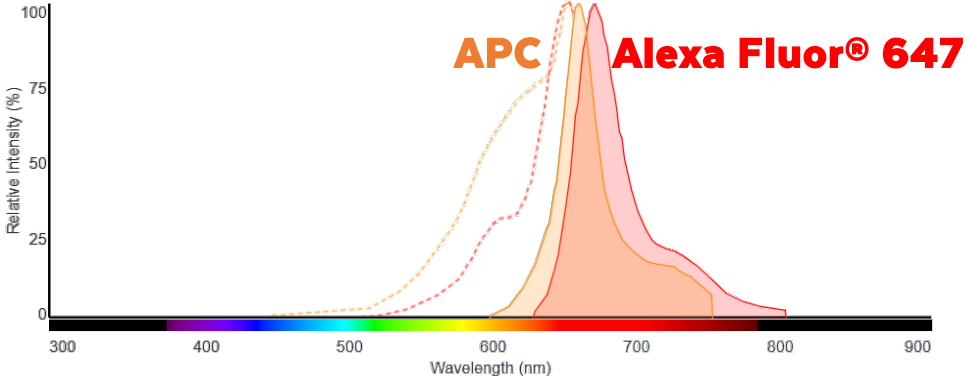
Building a Full Spectrum Signature



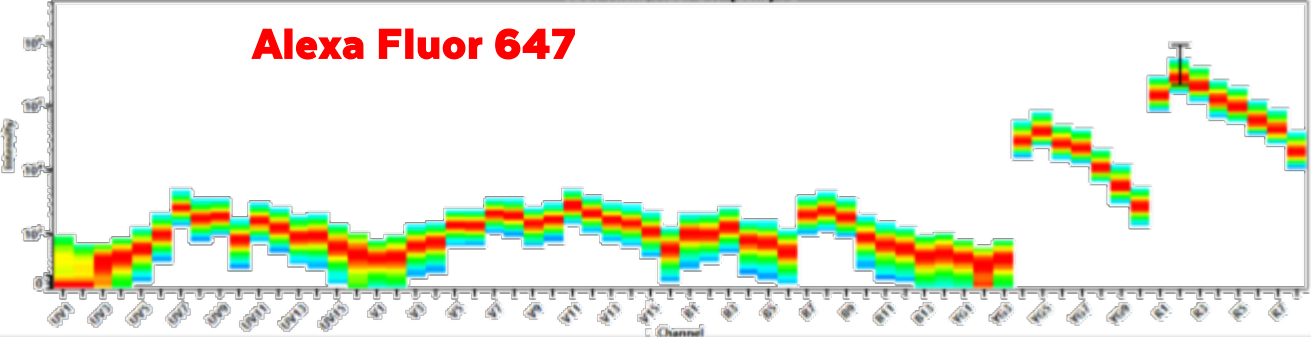
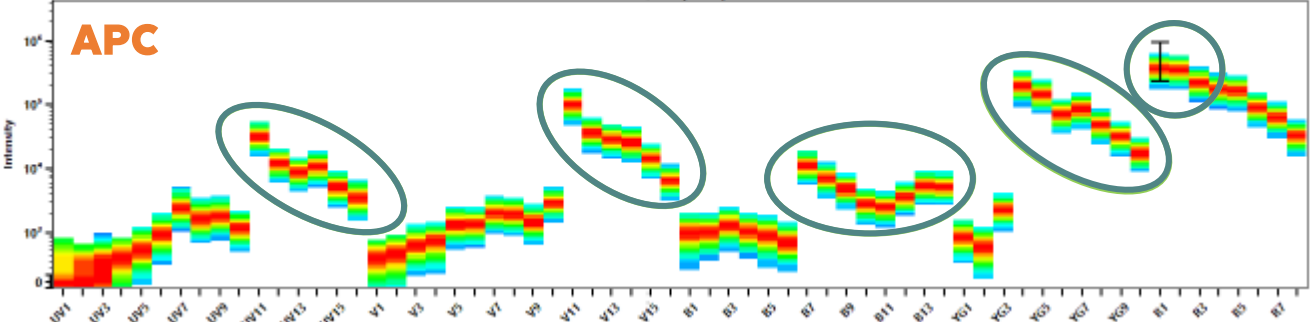
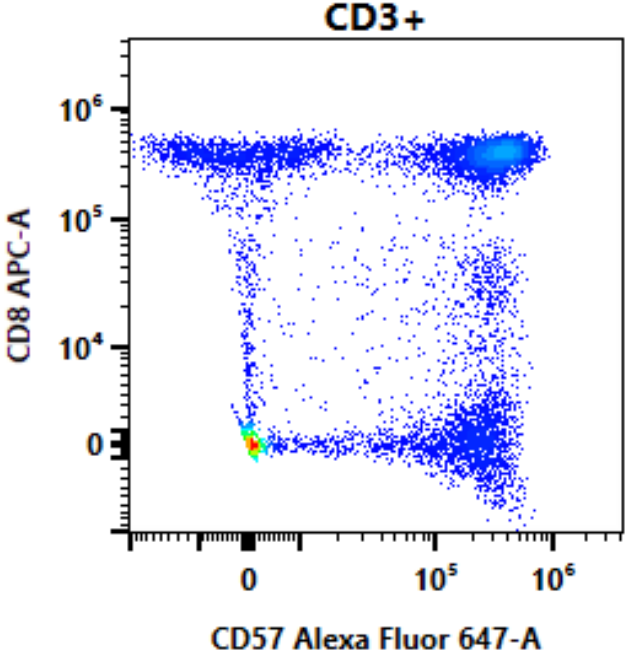
The signals are captured from each of the different modules and stitched together to create a single spectral signature



Use of Highly Overlapping Dyes



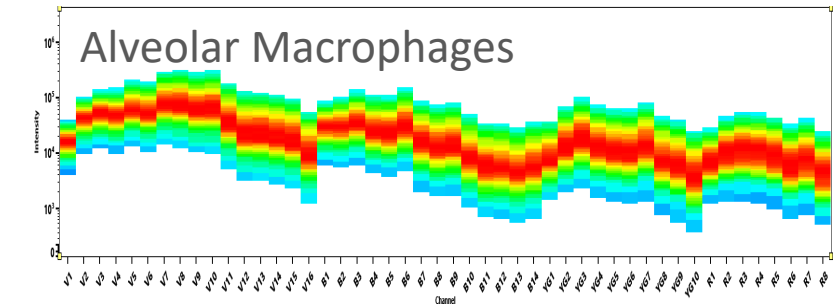
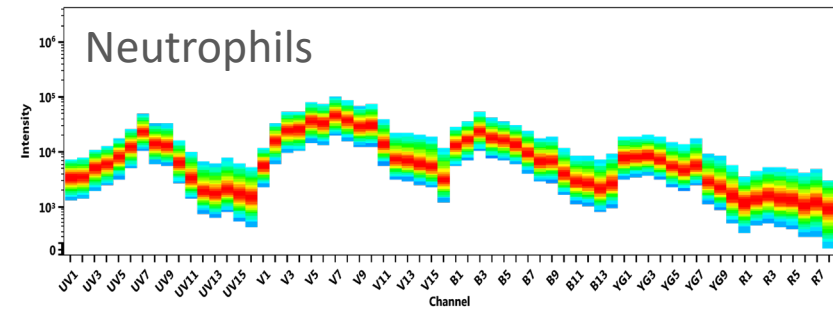
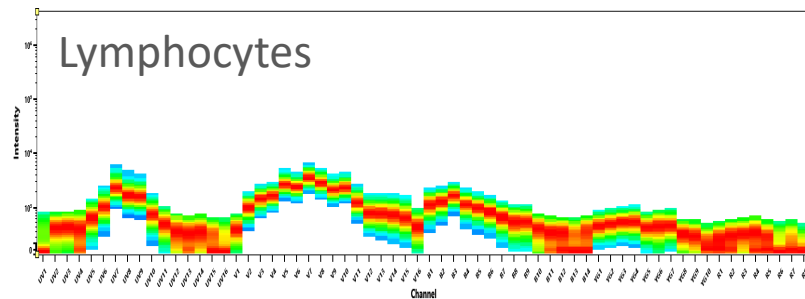
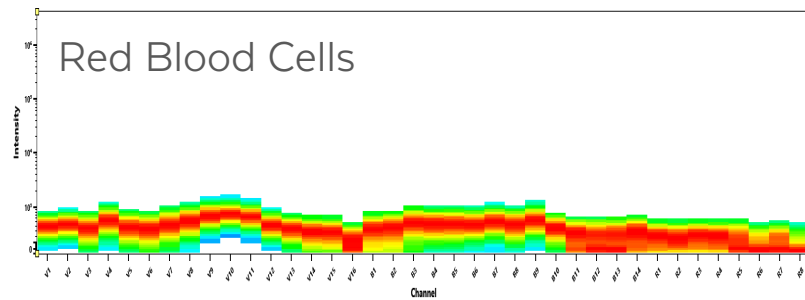
Plot gated on singlet lymphocytes



Fluorochromes with highly overlapping emission spectra can be used effectively on co-expressed markers

FSP™ Technology Easily Defines Autofluorescence

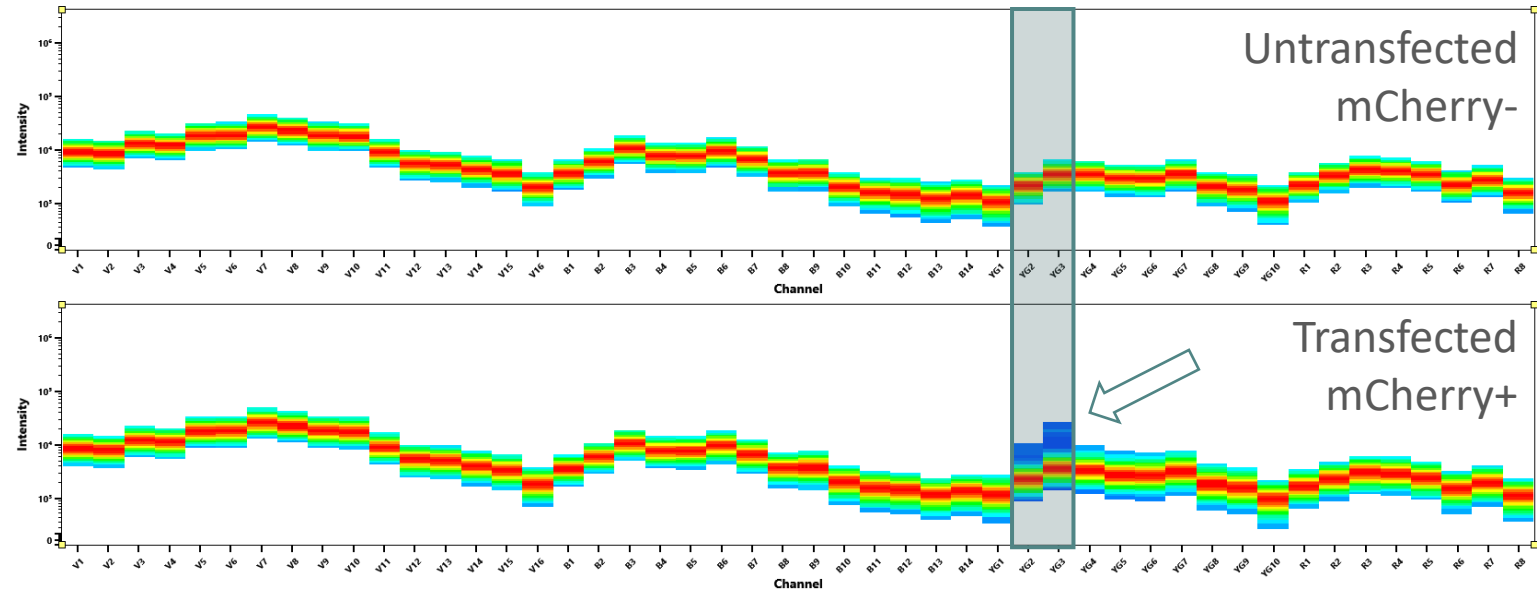
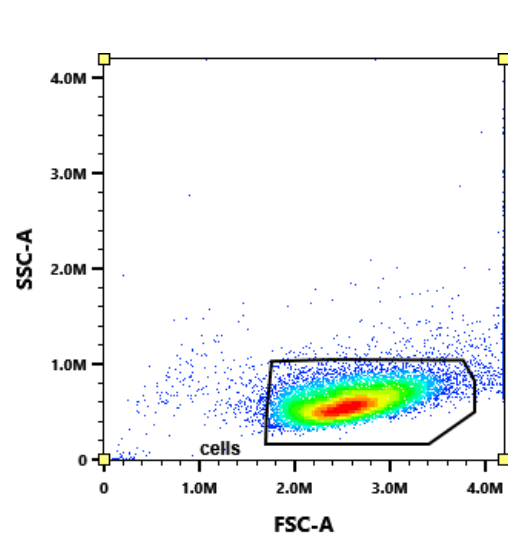
Autofluorescence is the native emission of light that comes from cellular components observed in unstained cells



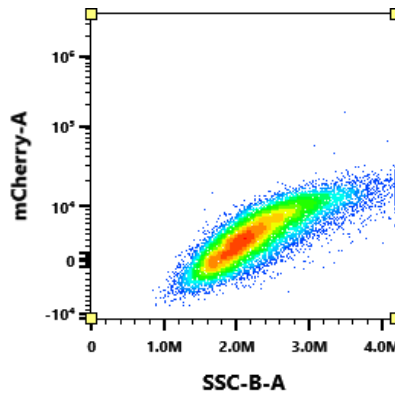
Cytek® Full Spectrum Profiling™ Technology can extract autofluorescence and potentially improve marker resolution

Benefits of Autofluorescence Extraction

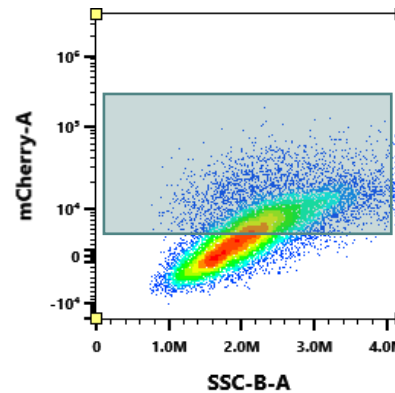
HeLa human cells were transfected with a vector carrying an mCherry reporter



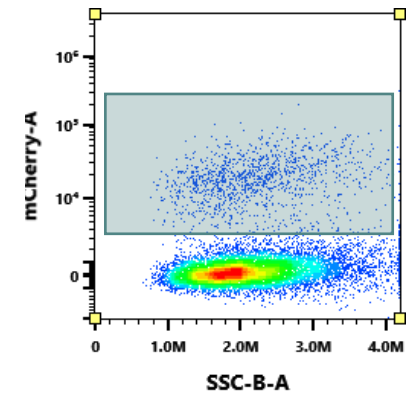
Untransfected
Without
Autofluorescence
Extraction



Transfected
Without
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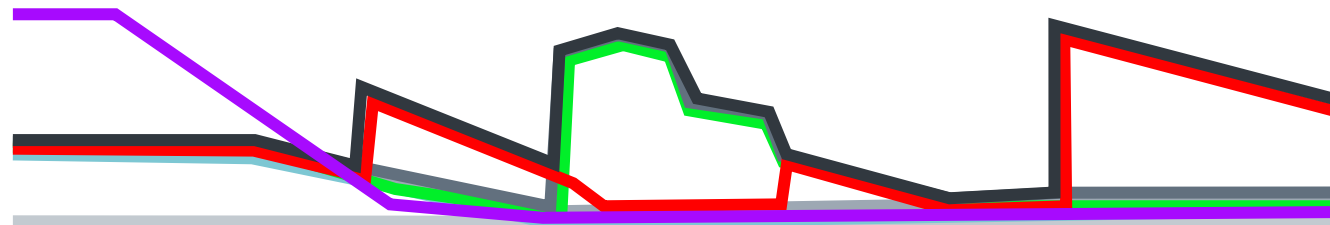
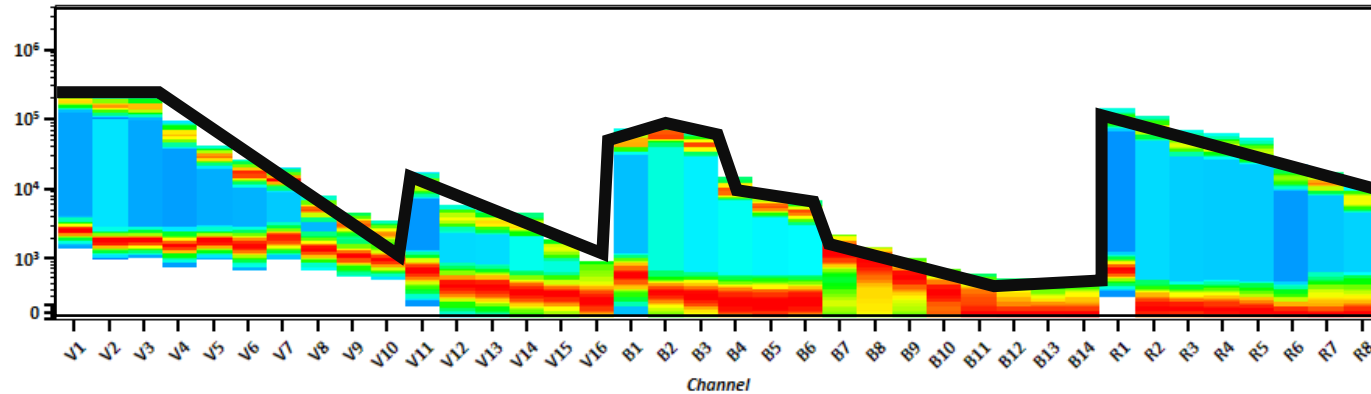


Transfected
With
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Extraction



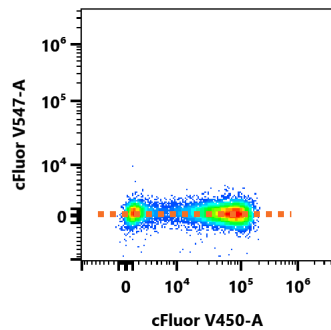
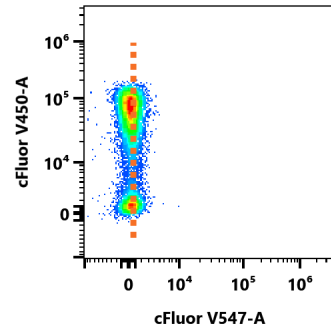
Spectral Unmixing - Ordinary Least Squares (OLS)

The spectral unmixing algorithm uses the provided controls to calculate the contribution of each fluorophore in the multicolor assay.

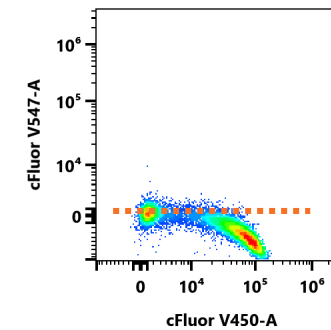
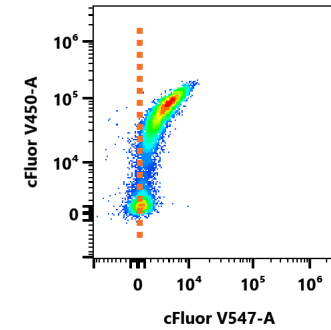


We can think of this as extracting or deconvoluting each component until we have nothing left.

Spectral Unmixing Applied to Data



MFI of the positive matches the MFI of the negative



MFI of the positive DOES NOT match the MFI of the negative

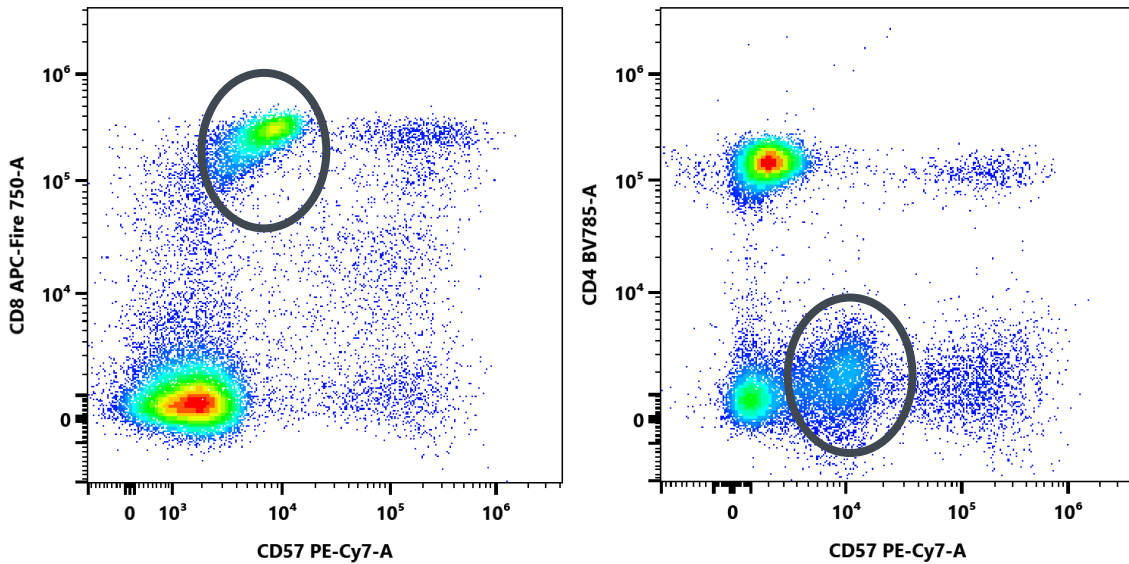
Unmixing/compensation errors can be either above or below the negative MFI

Unmixing/Compensation Errors Lead to Wrong Conclusions

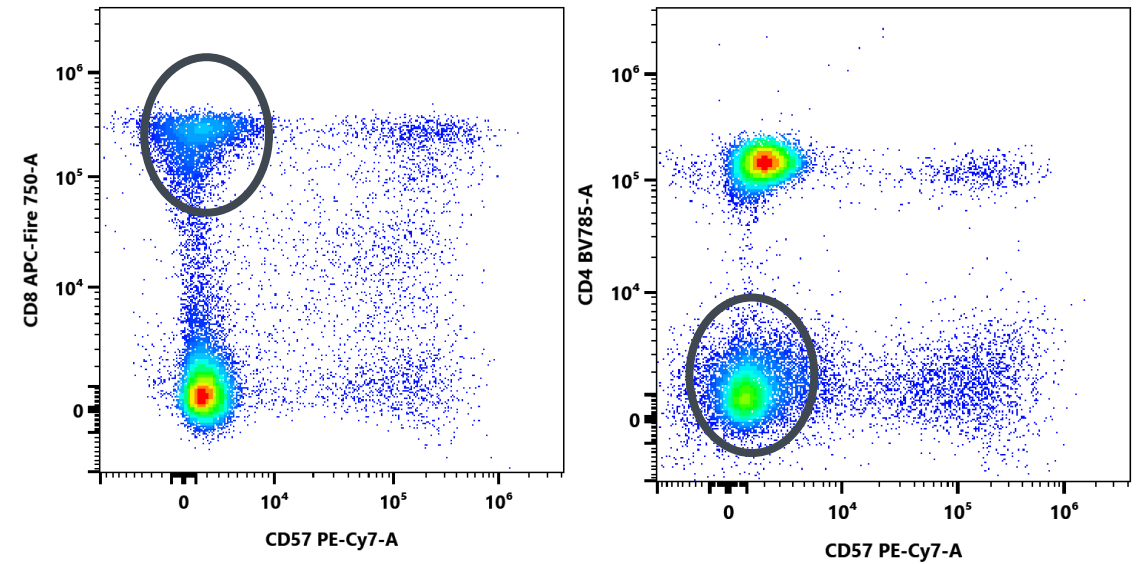
Impacts data accuracy and result interpretation: false populations!



Data WITH Unmixing/Compensation Error



Correct Unmixing/Compensation



Flow Cytometry Applications

RESEARCH

- Cellular Biology
- Immunophenotyping
- Membrane potential
- pH
- Immunology
- Proliferation
- Apoptosis
- Cell cycle
- Gene transfections
- Fluorescent proteins
- Cell signalling
- RNA
- Cell pigments (chlorophyll, phycobillins)
- Multiplexed bead arrays
- Histone acetylation, phosphoflow
- Autophagy
- Cellular senescence, necrosis, viability
- ROS production
- Plant Cytometry
- Marine Cytometry
- Extracellular Vesicles
- Microbiology

CLINICAL

- Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
- Leukemia and Lymphoma
- MRD
- Stem Cell Enumeration
- Autoantibodies
- HIV/AIDS – CD4 Enumeration
- Fetal RBC
- Immunodeficiencies
- Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria
- Reticulocytes