



DNA Data Storage Alliance

2024 Review and 2025 Plans

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DNA Data Storage Alliance

40+ member organizations

Mission

- Create an interoperable storage ecosystem based on DNA as a data storage **and compute** medium

Scope

- Educate the market to create awareness and adoption of DNA data storage **and compute**
- Influence and drive R&D and funding
- Develop standards and specifications to encourage ecosystem evolution



DNA Data Storage Alliance - 2024 Accomplishments

■ Specs and Publications

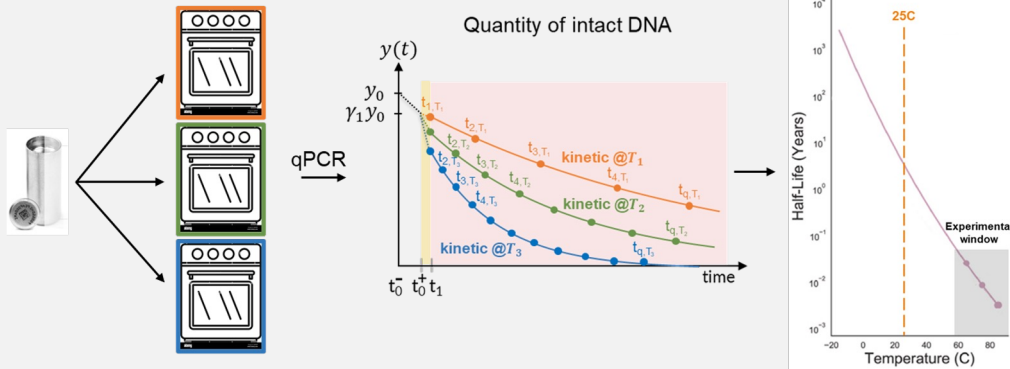
- Alliance's 2nd specification: [DNA Stability Evaluation Method for DNA Data Storage Containment Systems v1.0](#)
- Chapter on DNA data storage: [IEEE Mass Storage Roadmap Update](#)

■ Presentations

- FMS
 - [DNA Data Storage](#) – Landsman (slides)
 - [End-to-End DNA Data Storage System Concept](#) – Lauvray/Shruti/Landsman (slides)
- SDC
 - [End-to-End DNA Data Storage System Concept](#) – Lauvray/Shruti (video)
- Storage Technology Showcase
 - DNA Data Storage Alliance Overview – Landsman
 - DNA Data Storage Alliance Technical Roadmap - Hoffman
- Library of Congress Designing Storage Architectures Forum
 - [Data Retention Metrics in a DNA Storage System](#) – Landsman, et al
- Other
 - Podcast (SNIA Experts on Data): [DNA, The Future of Data Storage](#) – Singer/Landsman (video)
 - Monthly all member meetings

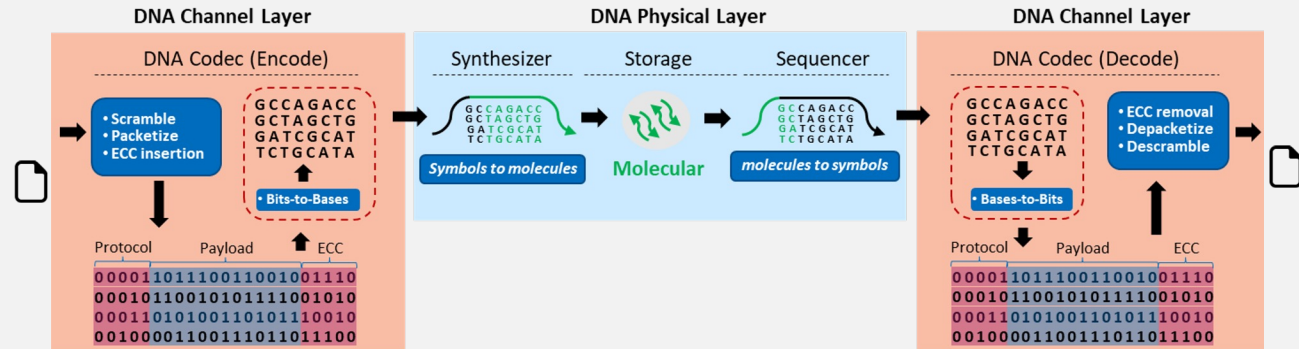
DNA Data Storage Alliance - 2024 Accomplishments (2)

1) Data Retention TWG Subgroup



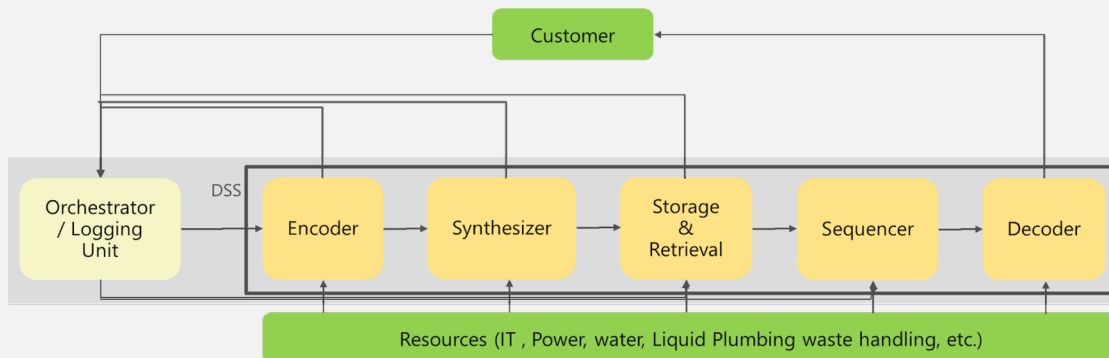
- **V1.0 Published**

2) Codes TWG Subgroup



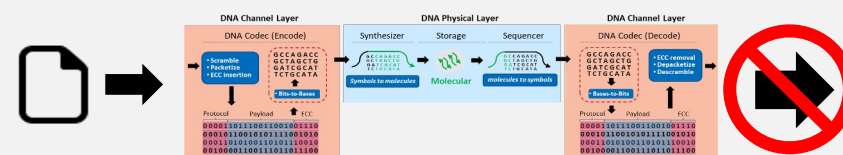
- **Working on “Codec Requirements” spec integration**
- **Open source codec TBD**

3) Interoperable Interfaces TWG Subgroup



- **Working on spec integration**

4) Biosecurity Task Force



- **Develop Alliance position and engage regulators to avoid over-regulation based on misconceptions**



- **Evaluating “mathematical proof” vs. “vendor trust” model**

DNA Data Storage Alliance - 2024 Accomplishments (3)

- Satellite workshop at ISIT 2024: [Coding Theory and Algorithms for DNA-based Data Storage](#)
- Topics of Interest
 - Sequence reconstruction and codes correcting edit errors
 - Emerging sequencing technologies
 - Coding for native DNA-based data storage systems
 - Information aspects of high throughput synthetic biology
 - Machine learning approaches for data reconstruction in DNA-based storage systems
- Confirmed Speakers
 - Daniel Bedau (Western Digital)
 - James Diggans (Twist Bioscience)
 - Robert Grass (ETH Zurich)
 - Olgica Milenkovic (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
 - Zohar Yakhini (Technion / Reichman University)

DNA Data Storage Alliance – 2025 Plans

- Events

- [Storage and Computing with DNA 2025](#), Paris, June 19-21

- Finish ongoing work

- Technology Roadmap/Whitepaper
 - Codec Requirements
 - End-to-End Interoperable Interfaces

- New work

- Biosecurity: At least a position on regulatory scope (not overreach) needed for DNA data storage
 - Data retention: Calculator for what is “enough” DNA left to guarantee data recovery?
 - Coding: Characterizing solid state nanopore channel
 - Archive self-discovery: Alternative to Rosetta

Why get involved?

- **Industry Impact**
 - First alliance in this new field; shaping industry as it's being built
- **Segment Relevance**
 - The storage hierarchy needs a new layer for zettabyte scale storage
- **Why join?**
 - Multi-disciplinary field requiring experts from software, storage, hardware, biotech and more
 - Opportunity to be part of a birth of a new technology for archival storage
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DNA Data Storage Alliance

- Board

- Dave Landsman – Western Digital (co-chair)
- Esther Singer – Twist Bioscience (co-chair)
- Stephane Lemaire – Biomemory
- Marthe Colotte – Imagene
- Julien Muzard – Entegris

- TWG Chairs

- Dave Landsman and Esther Singer

- TWG Subgroup, Taskforce, SIG Chairs

- Dave Landsman – Data Retention
- Manish Gupta – Codecs
- Shruti Sethi – Interoperable Interfaces
- Esther Singer & David Turek – Biosecurity
- John Hoffman - Roadmap