## **The LanzaTech Process**



## Continuous process, gases as only source of carbon







## **Guidance Of Strain Engineering Through Cell-Free Synthetic Biology**

• The Jewett lab @ Northwestern University has established a cell-free framework for rapid pathway prototyping (Karim & Jewett, 2016, *Metab. Eng.* 

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- Collaboration to compare pathway performance between the cell-free environment and *in vivo* in an industrial host using n-butanol pathway as initial testbed
- Preliminary data suggest correlation between *in vitro* and *in vivo* data, with same variants that perform best

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## **Opportunities & Challenges**

 Cell-free protein synthesis has potential to <u>reduce costs and accelerate Design-Build-Test (DBT) cycles by more</u> <u>than an order of magnitude</u>, bypassing the transformation idiosyncrasies and low throughput workflows that impede progress on many <u>non-model microorganisms</u>



 To date, there are <u>no sufficiently large and multi-dimensional datasets available</u> that allow comparison of pathway performance between the cell-free environment and *in vivo*

of best designs to test in vivo

- Need a <u>predictive model framework</u> for the *in vivo* performance of transcription, translation, enzyme activities, and metabolic network performance by correlating various aspects of cell-free metabolism
- Most cell free approaches today rely on *E. coli* and use of sugars. For both, pathway prospecting as well as biocatalysis applications, there is a need to <u>expand the range of cell-free platforms</u> to other systems and substrates

of large number of pathways



and in silico information



and costs for new products