

# Integrated Analysis of Cancer Pathways with the UCSC Cancer Genomics Browser

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# UCSC Cancer Pathways Group

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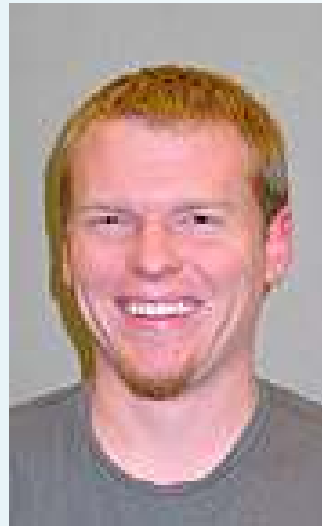
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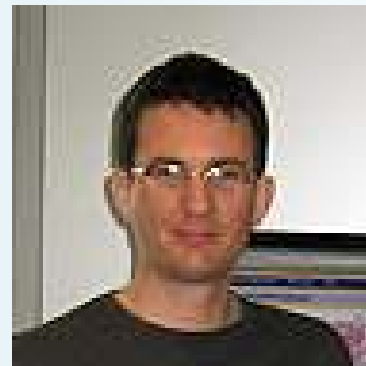
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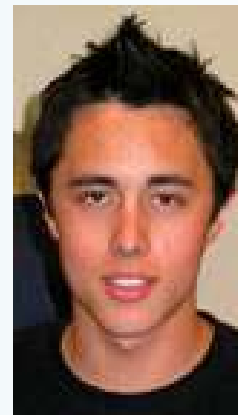
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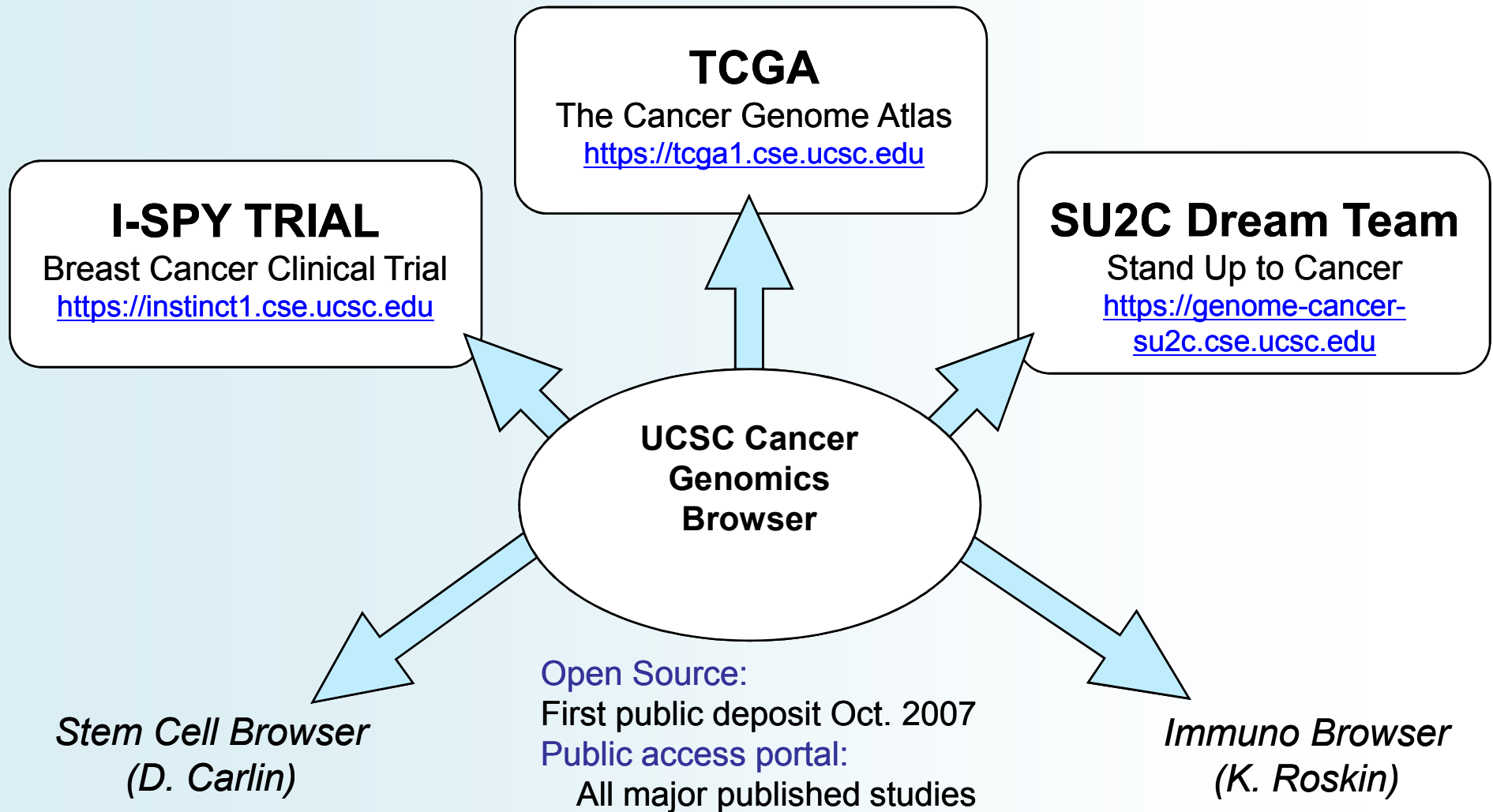
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# UCSC Cancer Genomics Browser

[genome-cancer.ucsc.edu](http://genome-cancer.ucsc.edu)



# UCSC Cancer Informatics Group Aims

- Secure database to manage and communicate data for national cancer projects (TCGA, SU2C, I-SPY)
- Web interface to help browse and download the data (and results and models...).
- Integrated tools to detect and display altered pathways.
- Predictors of specific patient subsets based on omics and pathway-level data.
- Recommend drugs based on patient-specific pathway alterations

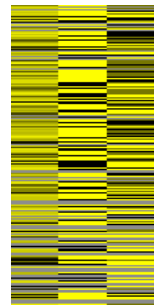
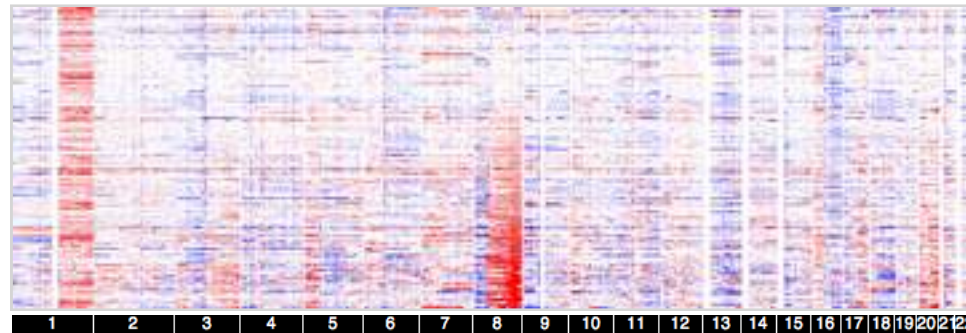
# UCSC Cancer Genomics Browser

- Simultaneously display patient genomic *and* clinical data from multiple studies
  - Highly configurable display
  - Growing list of available genome-wide statistical tests
  - Integrated with popular UCSC Genome Browser and its vast store of genomic information
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- ◆ Compatible with all modern web browsers
  - jQuery Javascript Frontend
  - Robust C / MySQL Server Backend
  - Distributed Databases
  - Multi-level Data Security Model

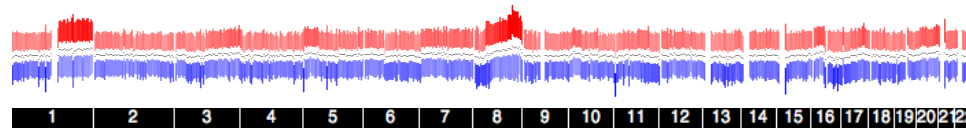
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## UCSC Cancer Genome Heatmaps

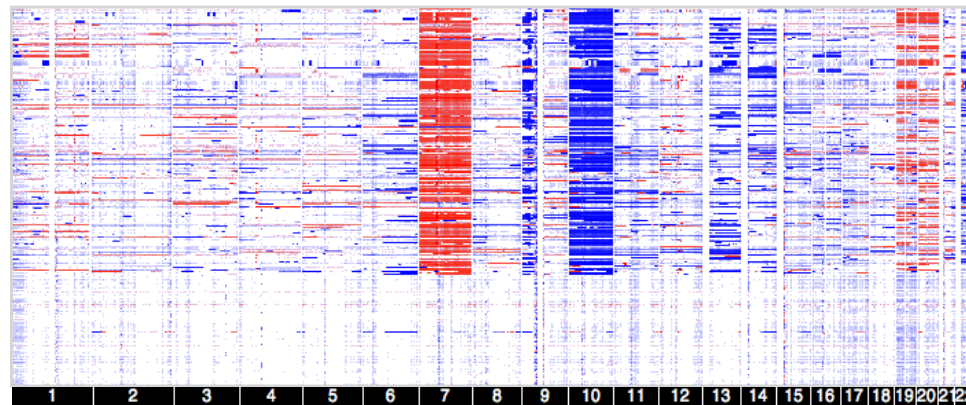
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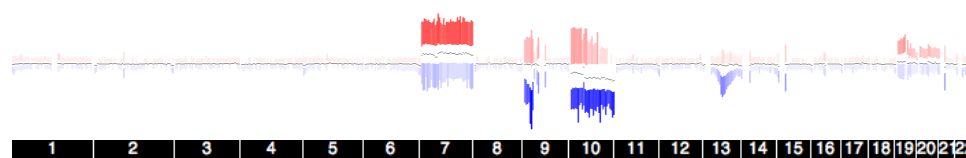
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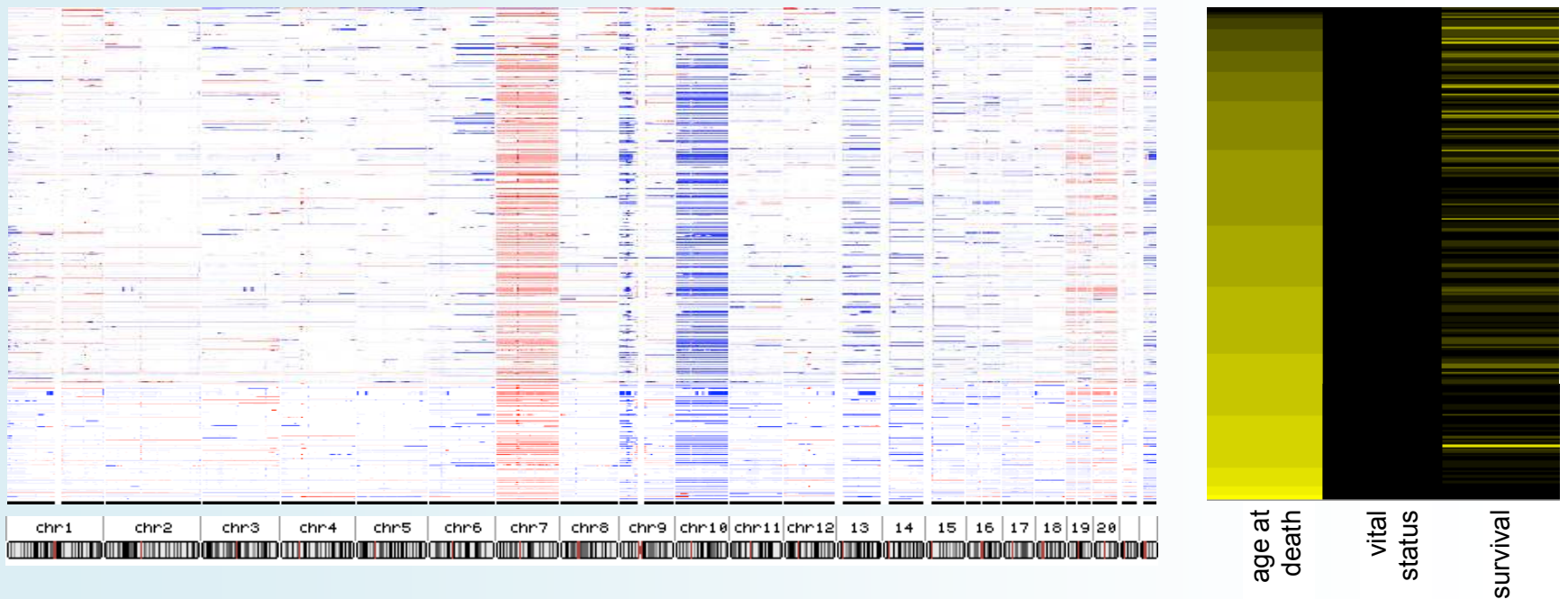
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# Genome/clinical heatmap view



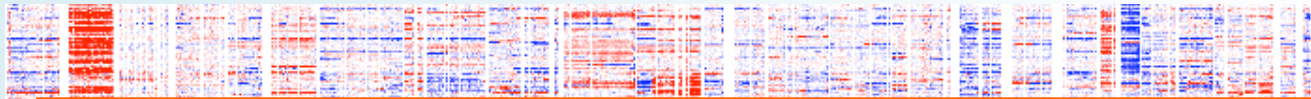
Copy number heatmap

clinical heatmap

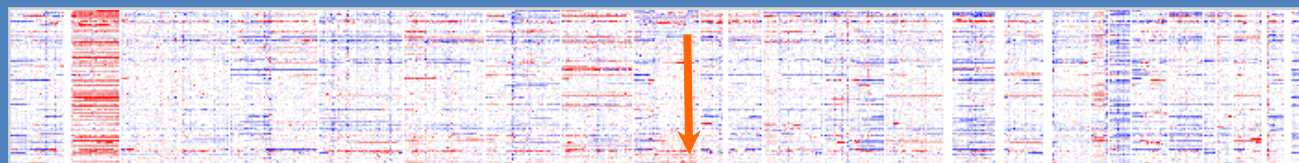
TCGA GBM data  
478 GBM tumor samples  
Segmented CGH

## Genomic View of Copy Number Data

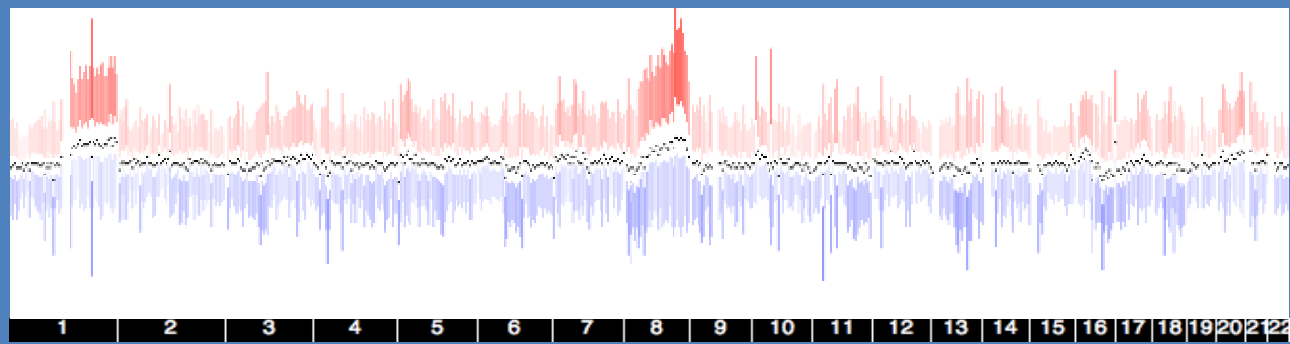
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sort samples according to copy number at a genomic location



### Summary View



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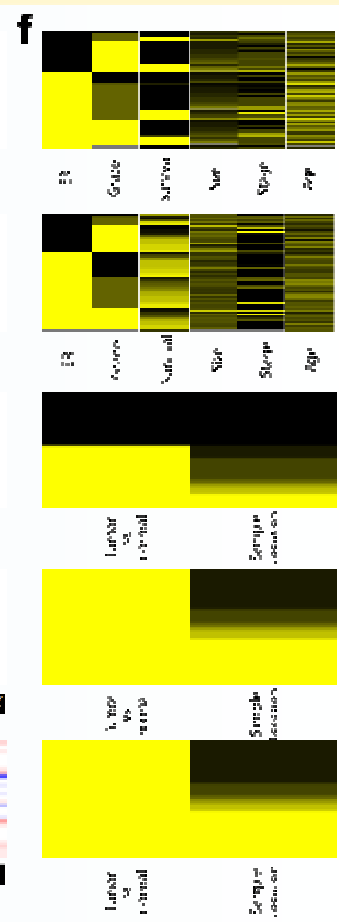
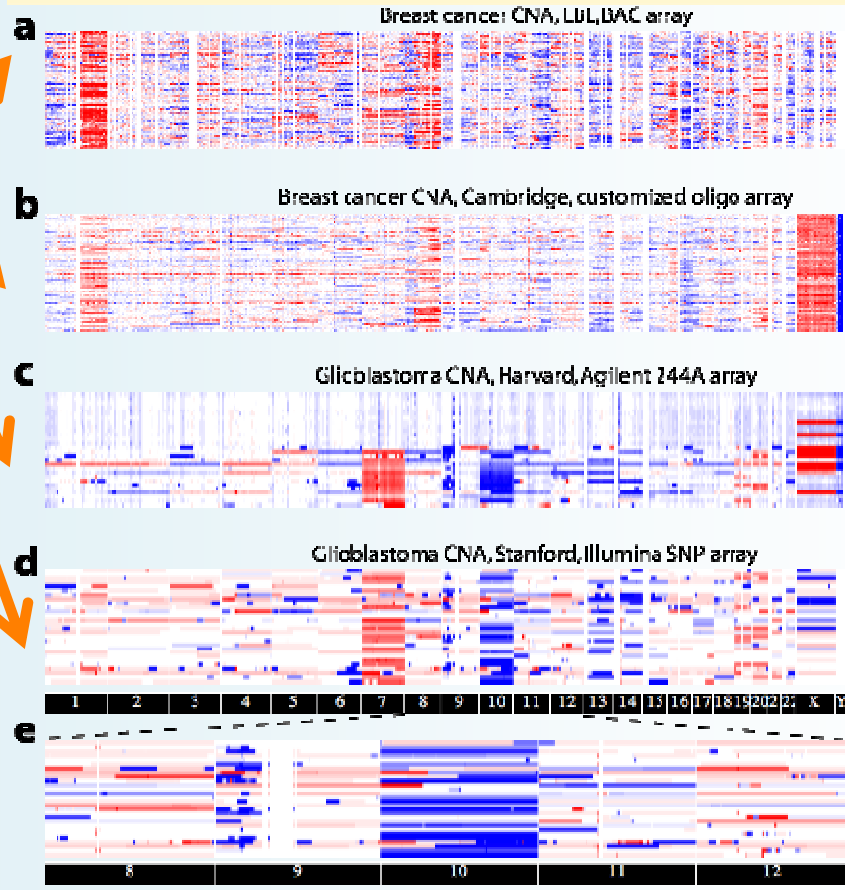
- Simultaneously display patient genomic and clinical data from multiple studies
- Highly configurable *interactive* display
- Online genome-wide statistical tests

- **Public Browser:**  
genome-cancer.ucsc.edu
- **TCGA Browser** with secured access control:  
tcga.cse.ucsc.edu

tracks

Home Cancer Genomics Genomes Help

UCSC Cancer Genomics Heatmaps



Further zoom takes you to the corresponding region in the UCSC Human Genome Browser

genome heatmap

clinical heatmap

# Subgroup Samples using Clinical Features

## Feature Setting

The screenshot shows a software interface with the following components:

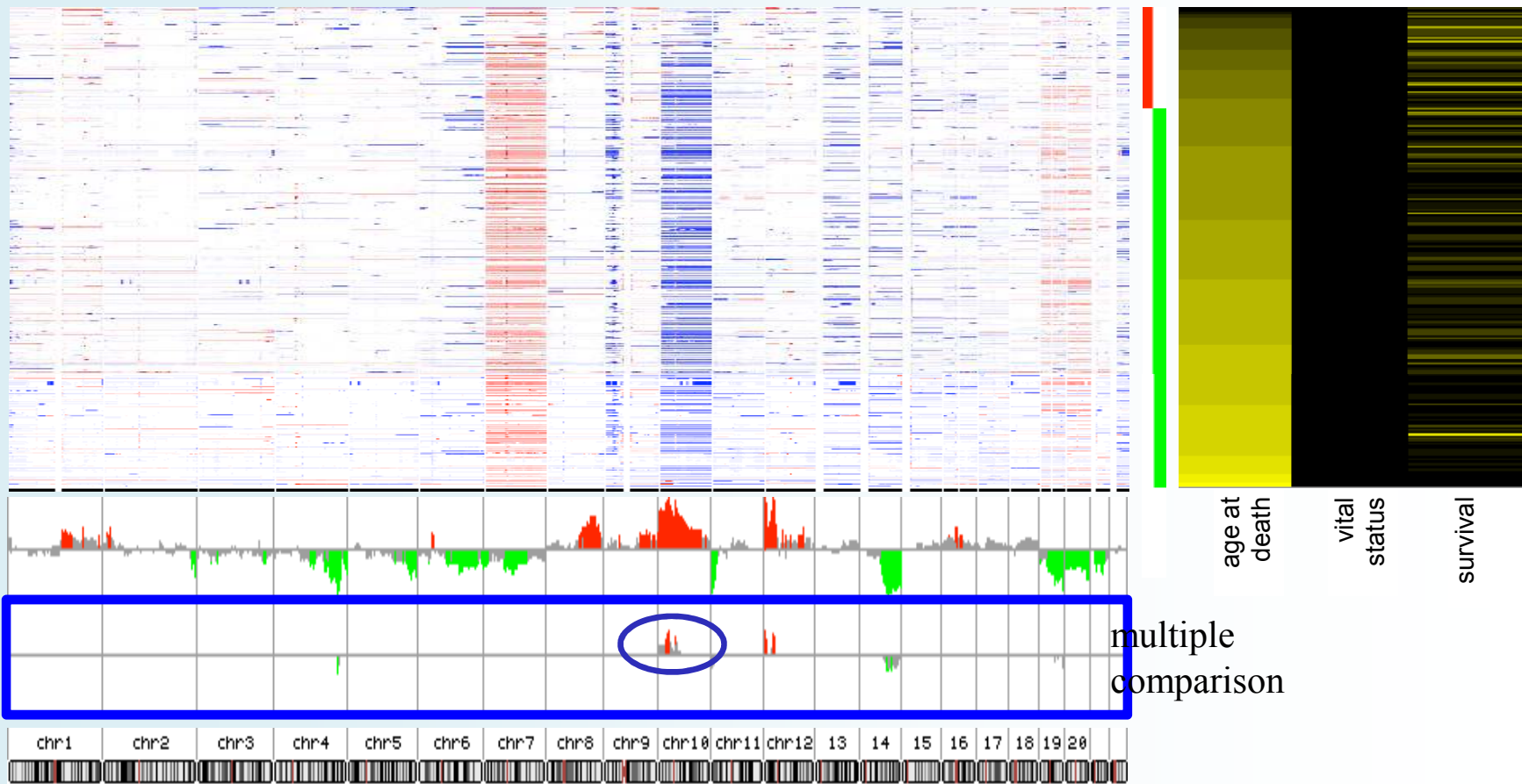
- Select Features:** A dropdown menu labeled "Select Features to Show" with "age at death" and "survival" listed below it.
- age at death:** A section with a "Group 1" label and a bar chart. Below it, it says "Contains samples from 1".
- Group 2:** A section with a "Group 2" label and a bar chart. Below it, it says "Contains samples from".
- Subgrouping:** A section with a "Statistic" dropdown menu set to "Student's T-Test" and "Bonferroni" selected. Below it is a "Generate Statistics" button and a link: "Click for more information about stats options".
- Current Subgroups:** A table showing "AGREATDEATH" with "Group 1" (14 to 49) and "Group 2" (50 to 87).

Selecting features

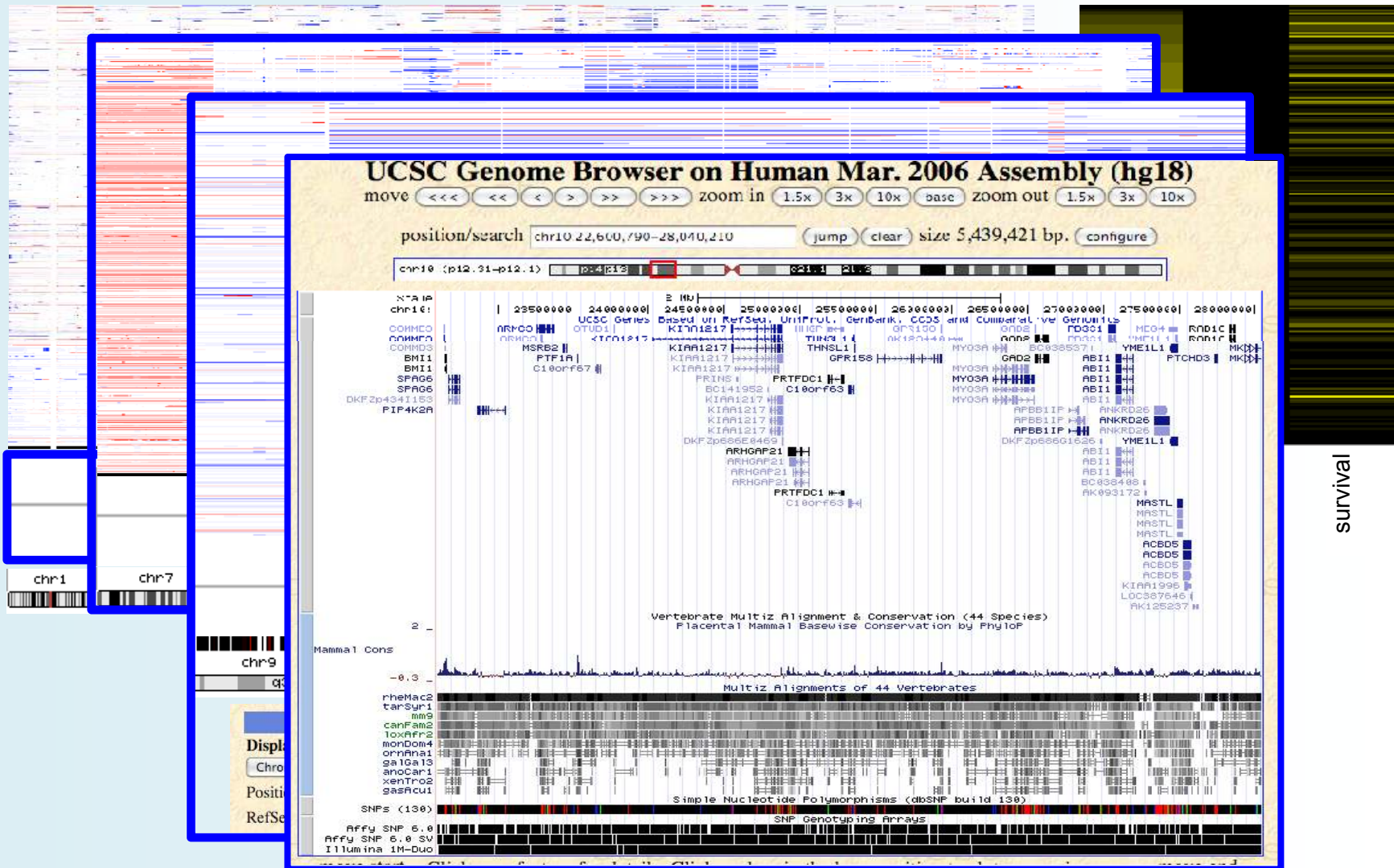
Sub-grouping

Choosing tests

# Genome/clinical heatmap view

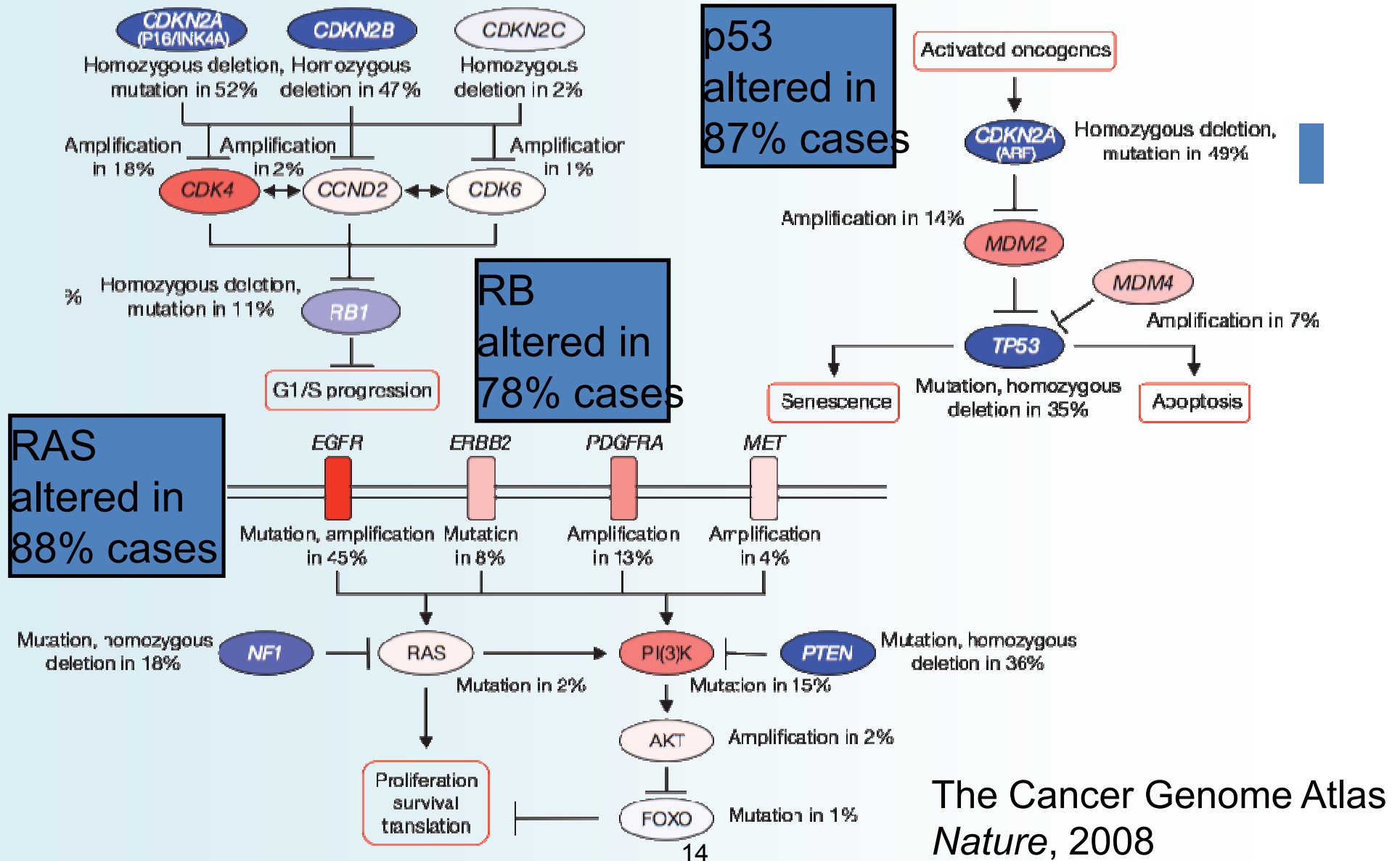


# Zooming in on the heatmap



survival

# Pathways as genetic unit



# Selecting Pathway or Geneset

**Display As**  
Genesets

**Role of ERBB2 in Signal Transduction and Oncology**  
Pathway information provided by BioCarta

**Display Options**  
Heatmap Click: Sorts  
Update Display Settings: --update--

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**Display Options**  
Heatmap Click: Sorts  
Update Display Settings: update

**Existing Genesets** | **Create Geneset by Gene Search** | **Create Geneset by Gene List** | **DISPLAY**

esr1, erbb2, erbb3, erbb4, egfr

Validate & Add -->

Name your geneset:  
my\_geneset

- ESR1
- ERBB2
- ERBB3
- ERBB4
- EGFR

save & add geneset

BRCA\_ER\_POS

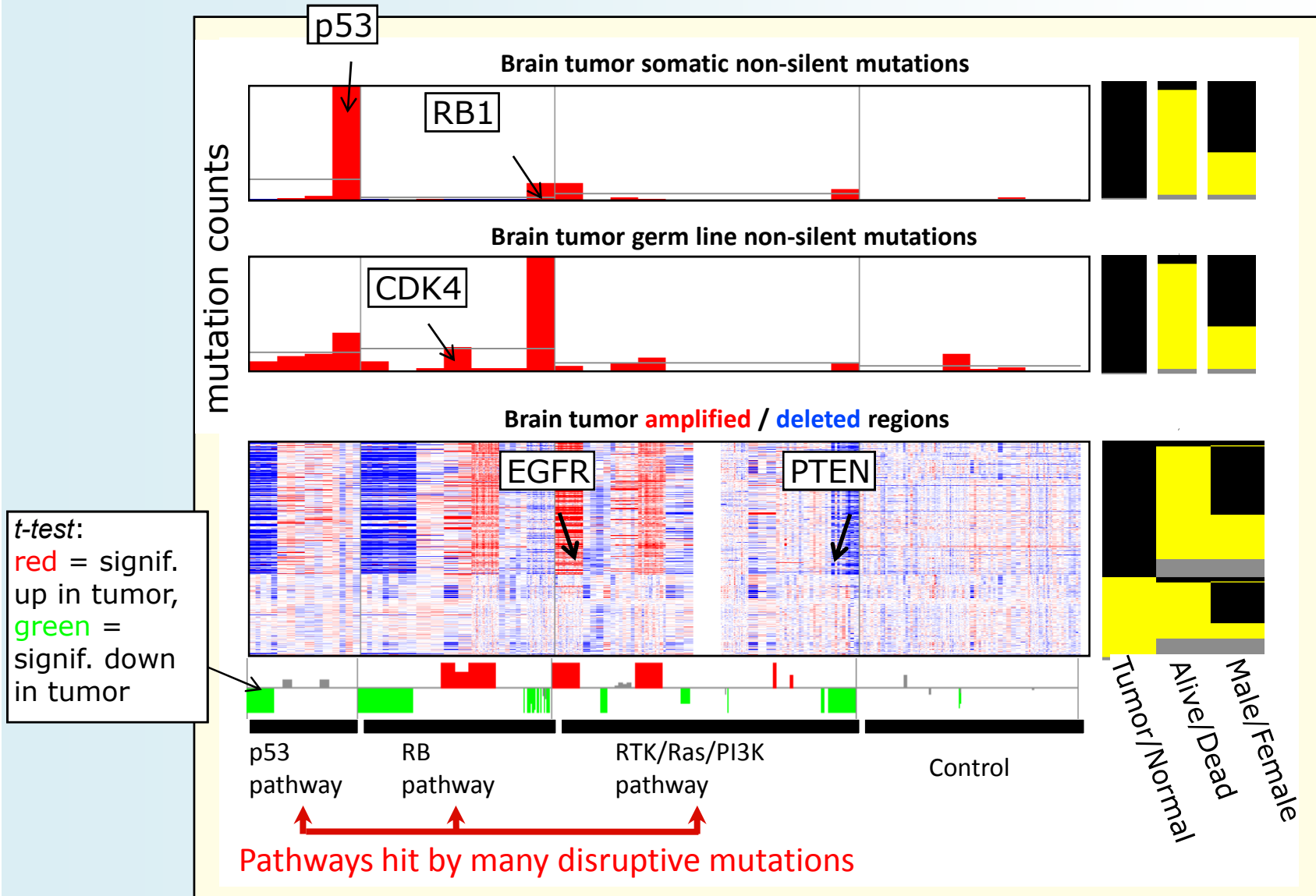
BREAST\_CANCER\_ESTROGEN\_SIGNALING

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user\_my\_geneset

Cytoplasm nucleus

# Geneset View: Deletions, duplications and mutations disrupt interacting pathways of genes



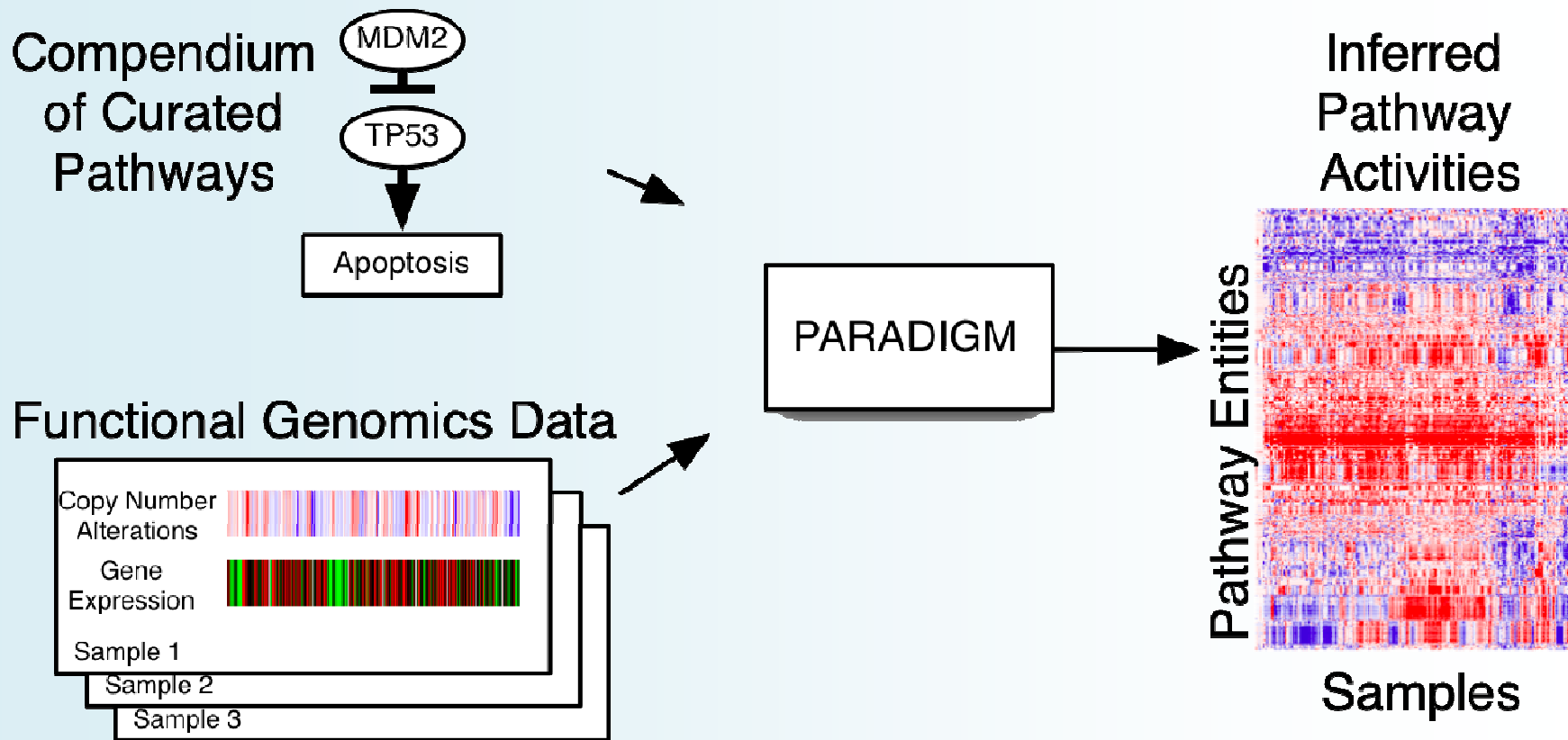
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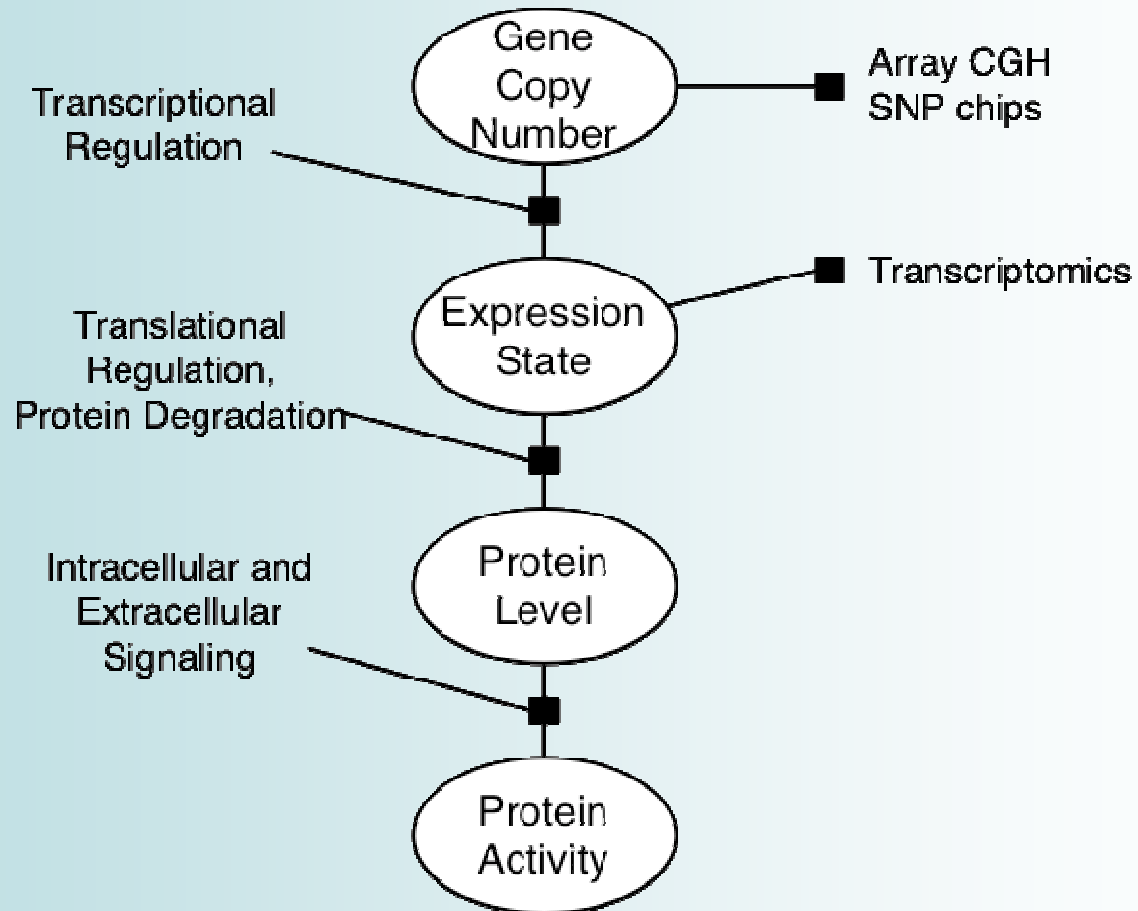
# Patient-specific alterations for *known* pathways

- Collect publicly available pathways (NCI, WikiPathways, KEGG, ...)
- Convert to graphical model
- Infer pathway “entities” for each patient sample
  - e.g. gene activities, apoptosis, DNA repair, small molecules, complexes, etc.
- Train classifiers w/ pathway activities
  - E.g. 3-year disease-free survival

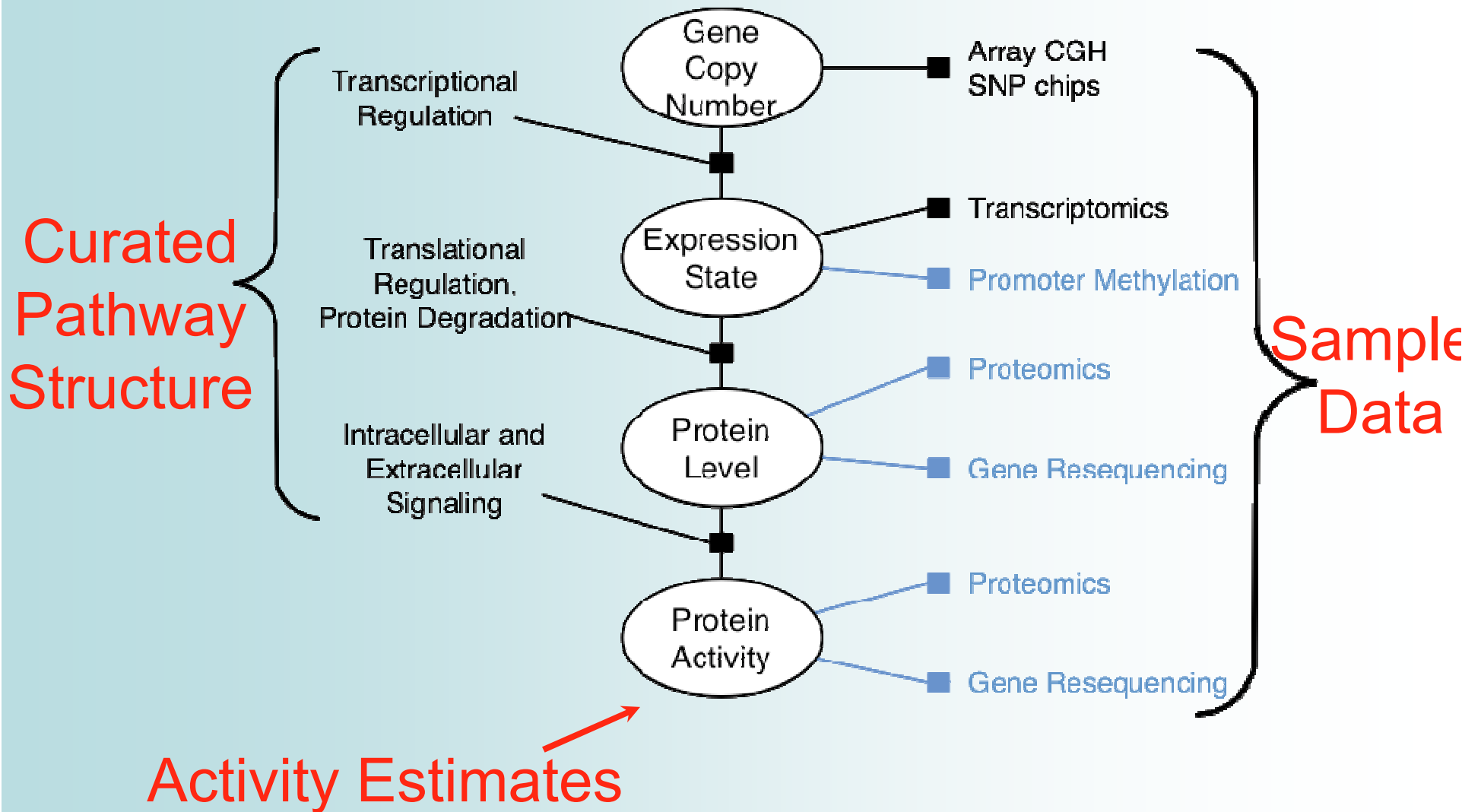
# PARADIGM Overview



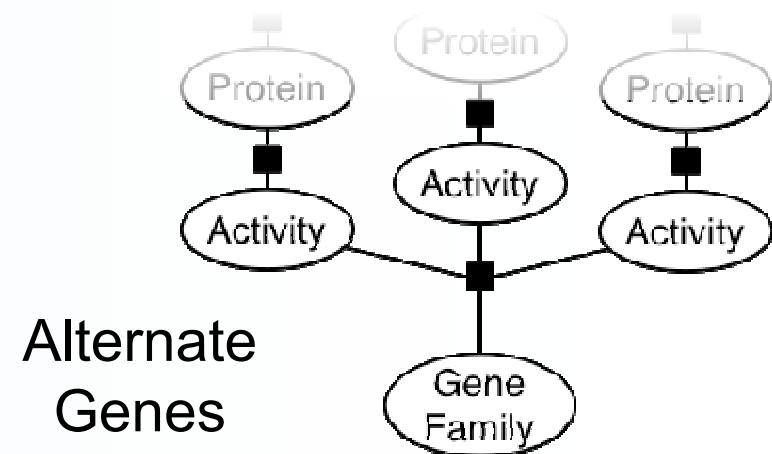
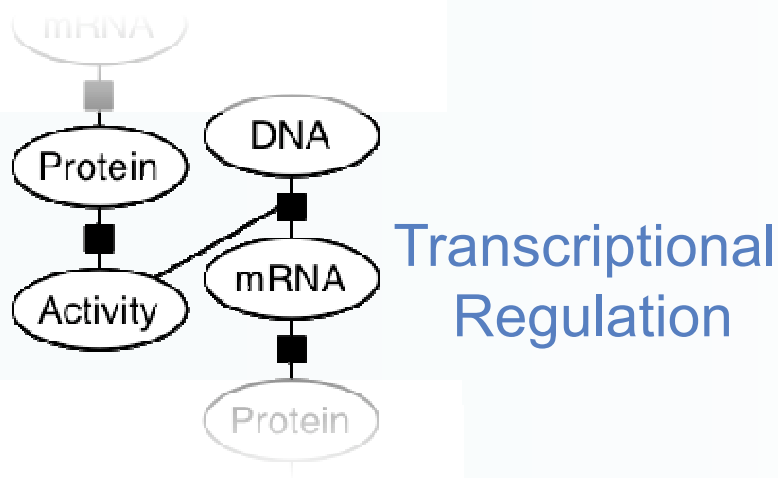
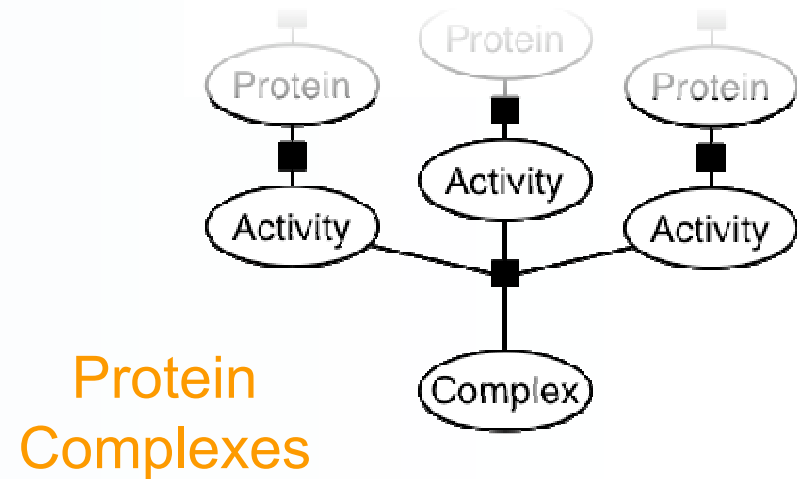
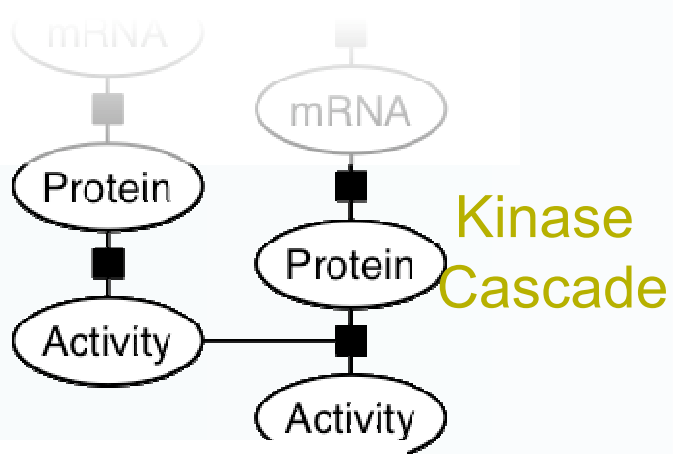
# Integration Model



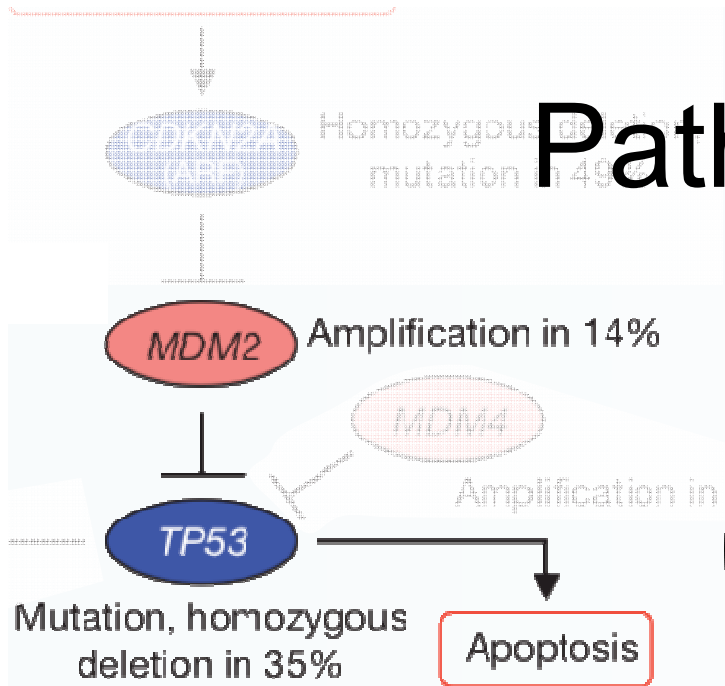
# Pathway Activities



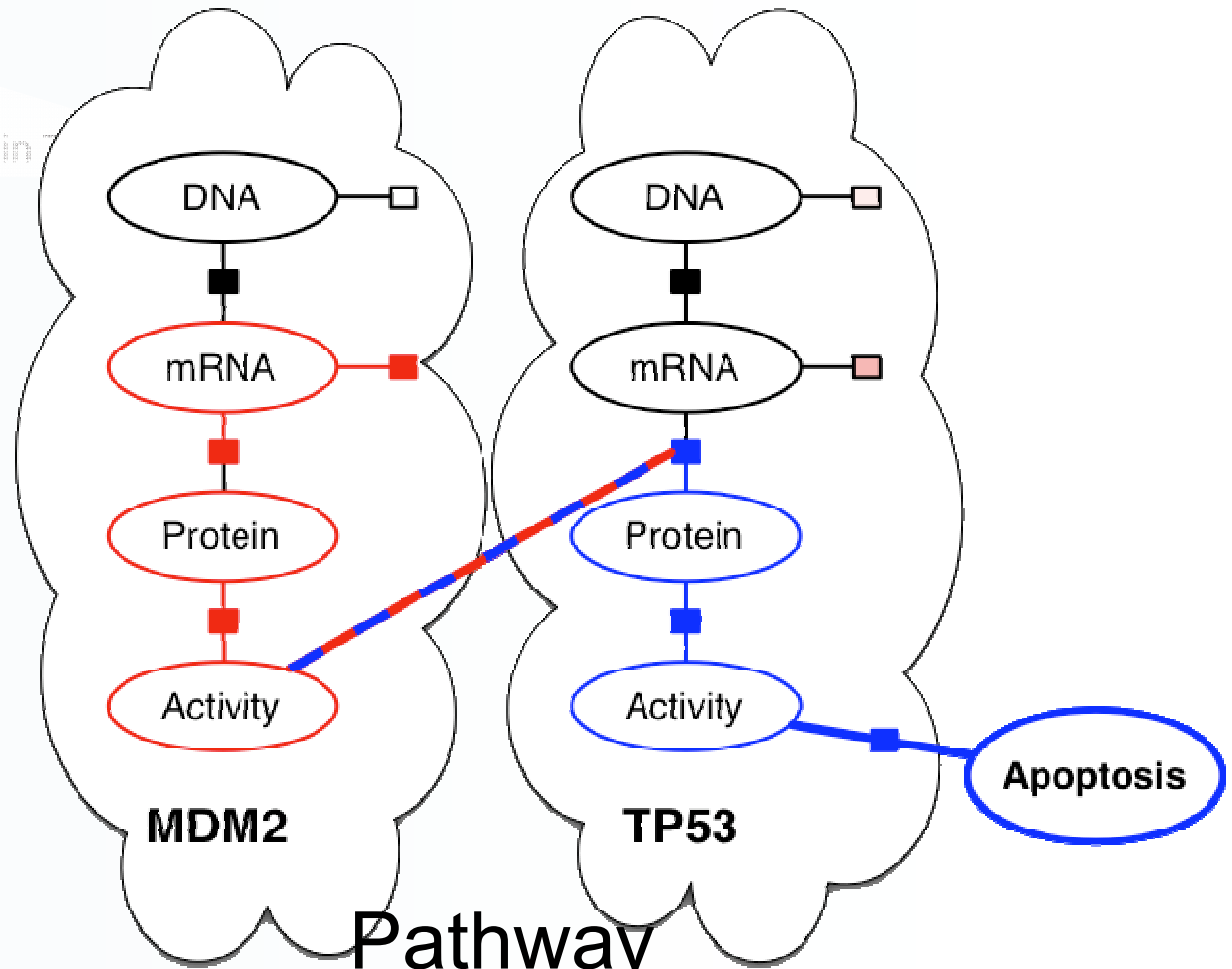
# Pathway Components



# Pathway Context



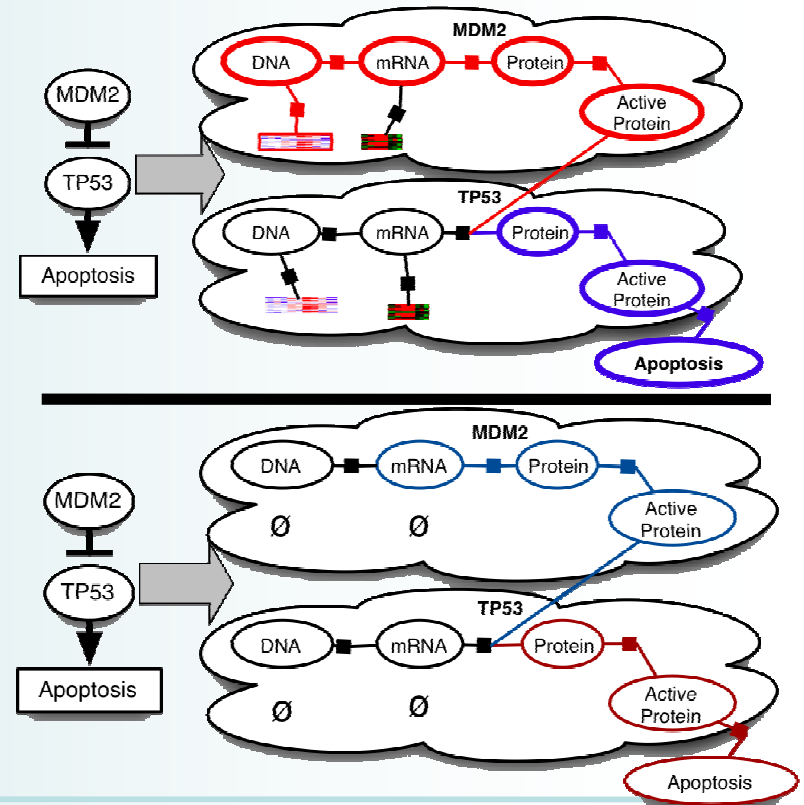
Pathway Schematic



Pathway Schematic

# Inferred Pathway Activities

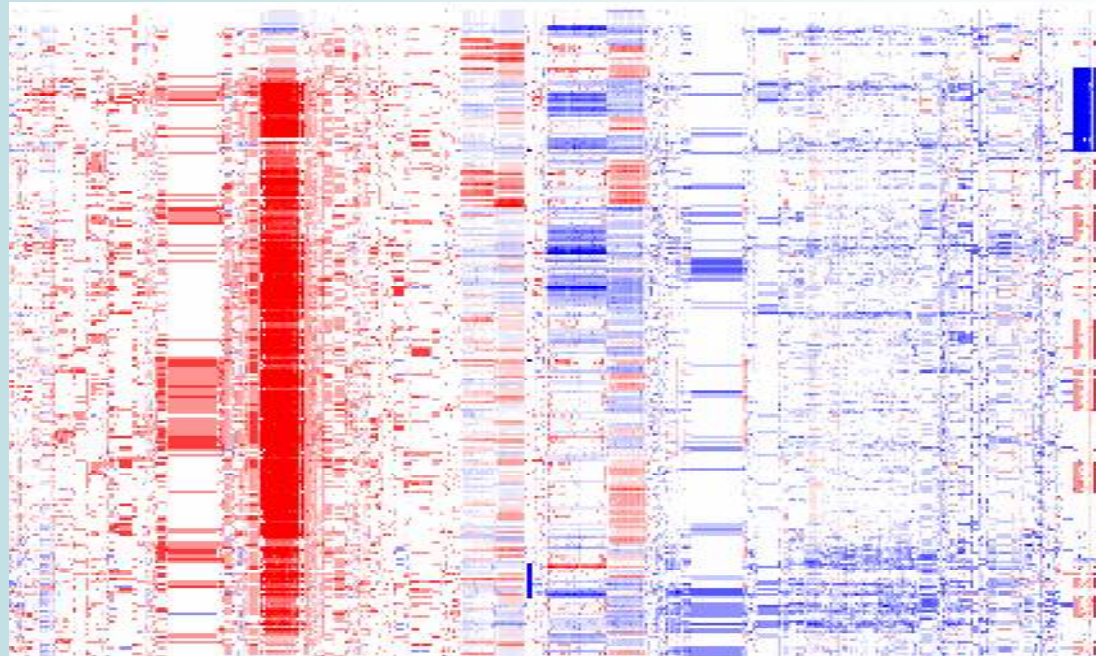
$$L(i, s) = \log\left(\frac{P(D, x_i = s | \Phi)}{P(D, x_i \neq s | \Phi)}\right) = \log\left(\frac{P(x_i = s | \Phi)}{P(x_i \neq s | \Phi)}\right)$$



$$IPA(i) = \begin{cases} L(i, 1) & L(i, 1) > L(i, -1) \text{ and } L(i, 1) > L(i, 0) \\ -L(i, -1) & L(i, -1) > L(i, 1) \text{ and } L(i, -1) > L(i, 0) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# Ovarian Cancer Inferred Pathway Activities

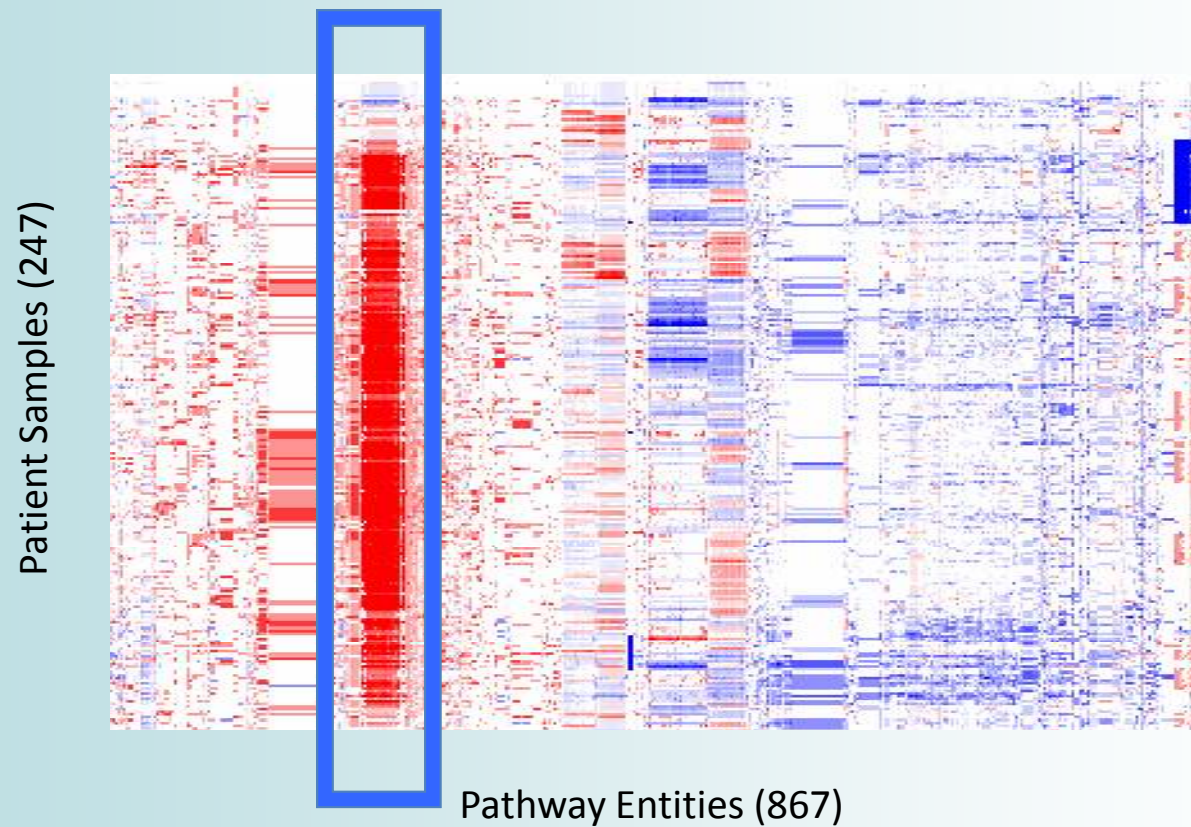
Patient Samples (247)



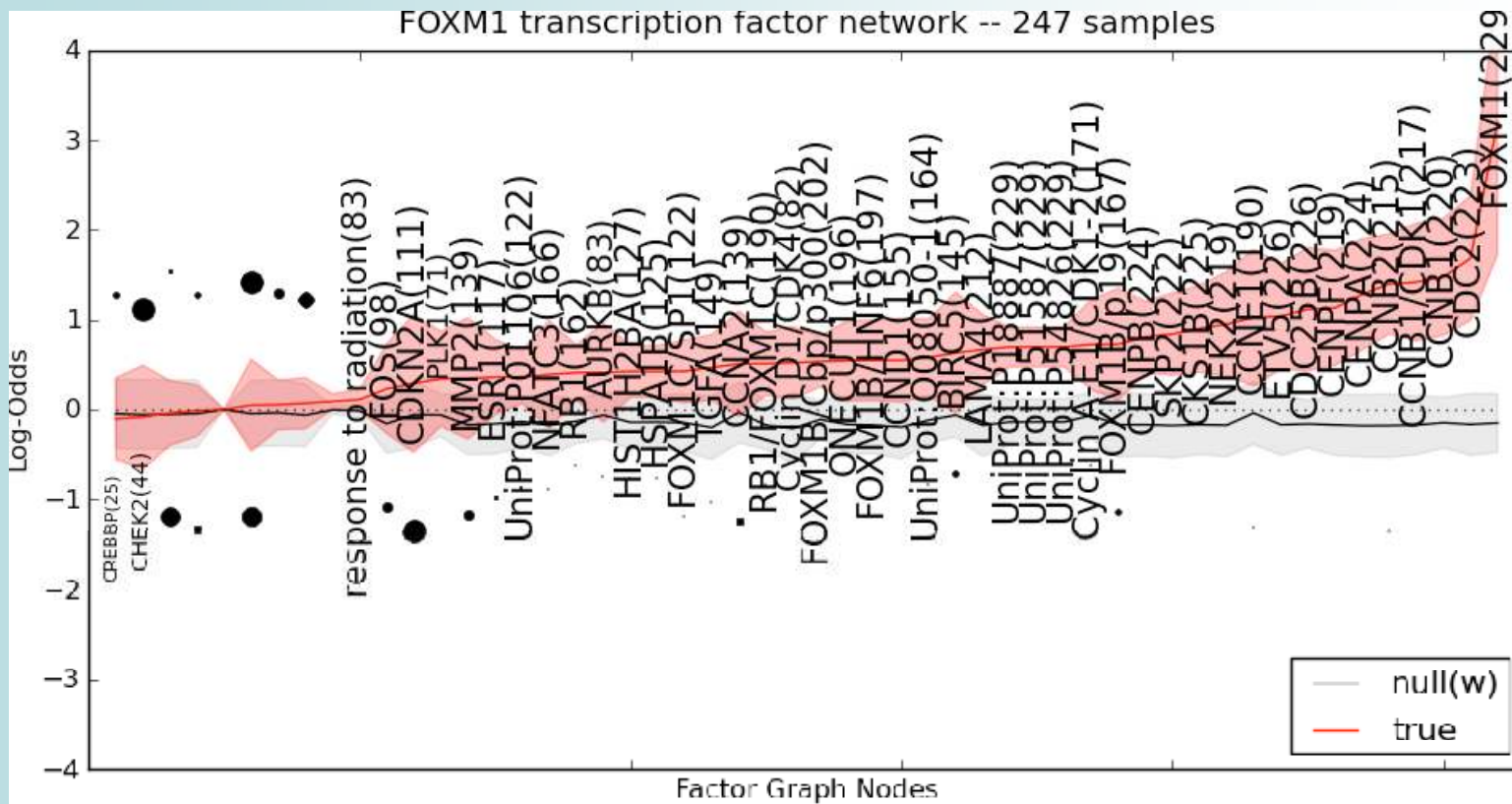
Pathway Entities (867)

# FOXM1 pathway altered in majority of OV patients

FOXM1 Transcription Network



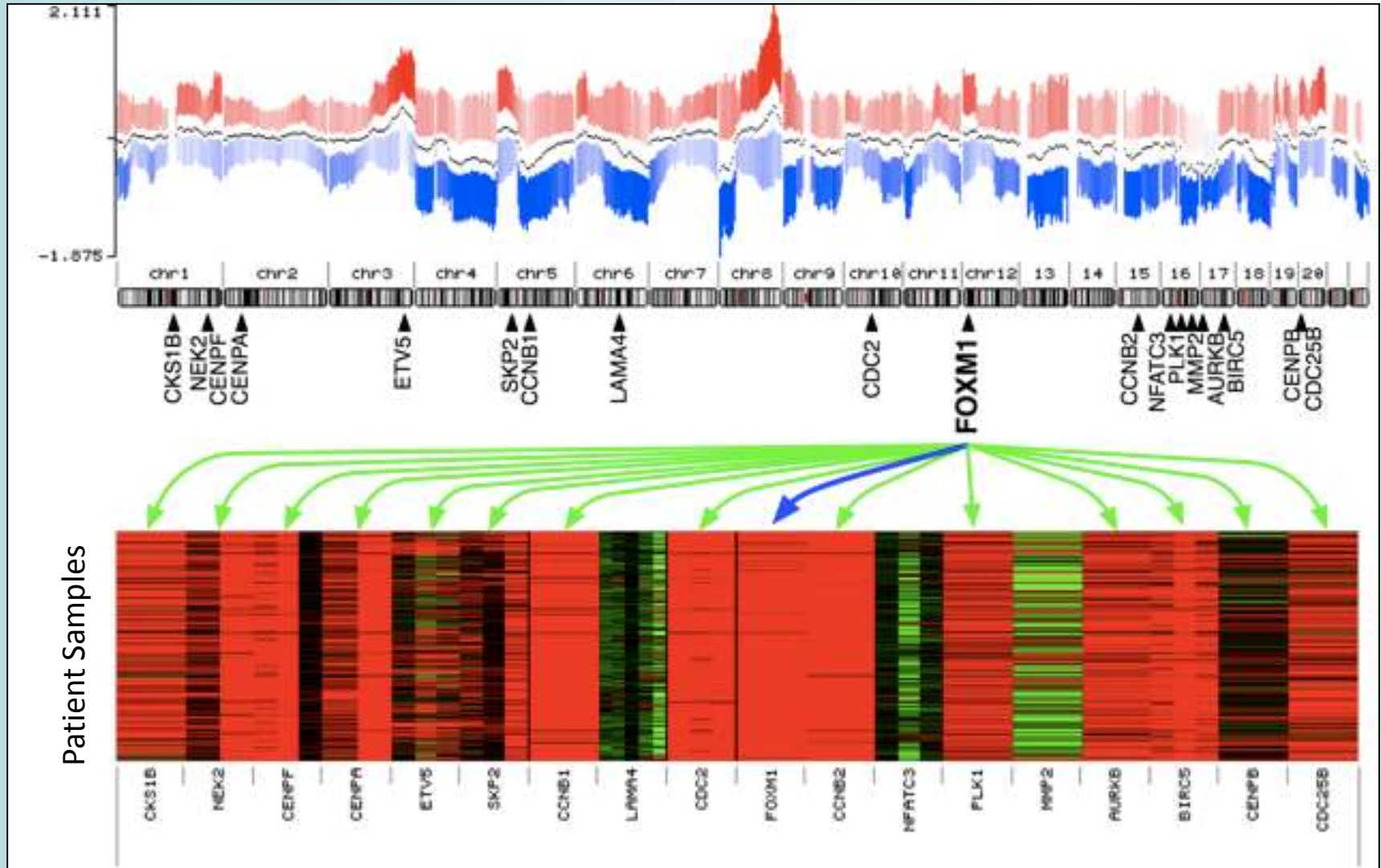
# FOXM1 Pathway Significance



- Significance assessed *w/ simulated networks*
- TF known to play a role in many cancers including breast and cervical cancers.

# FOXM1 Amplification Leads to Secondary Responses Predicted by its Pathway Interactions

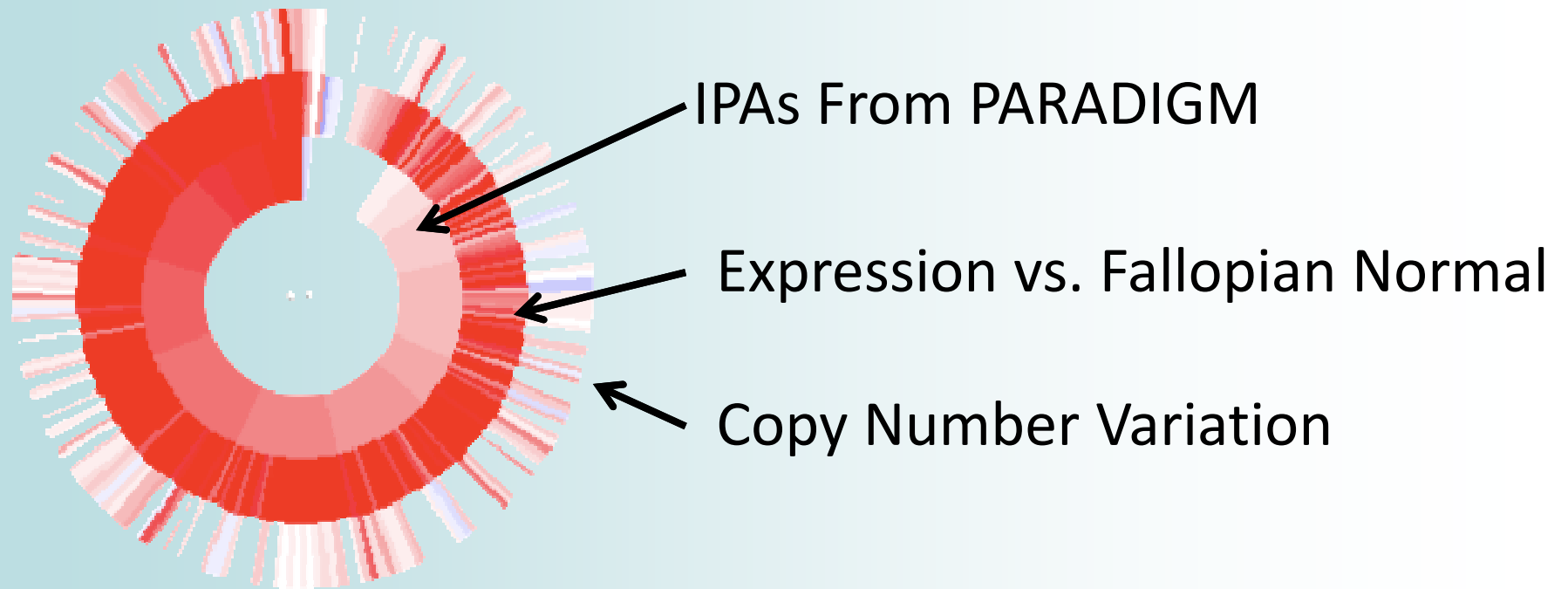
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Expression

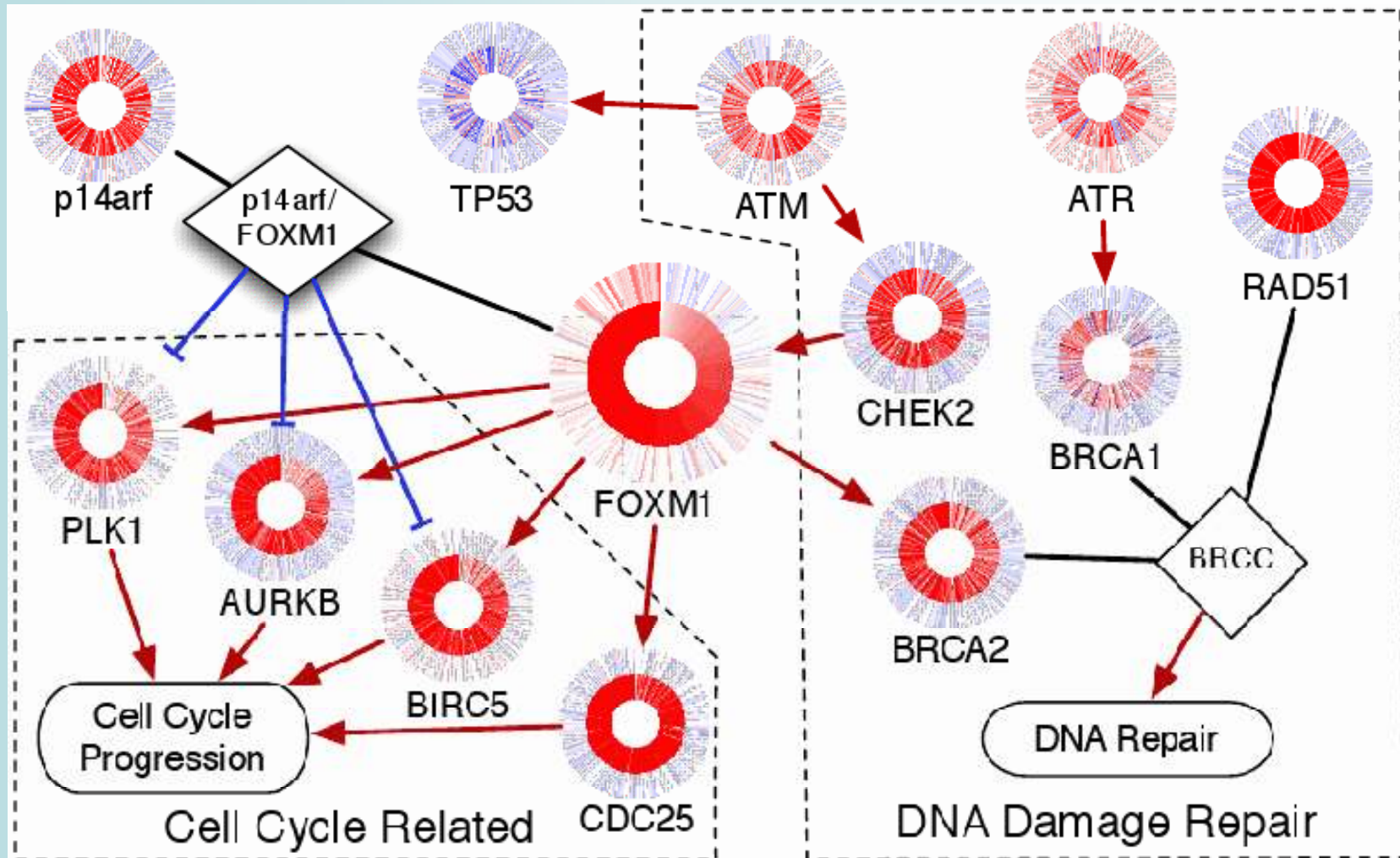
Patient Samples

# CircleMap of FOXM1 Transcription Factor and Targets



Each tickmark around the circle represents a single sample

# FOXM1 central to DNA repair and cell proliferation

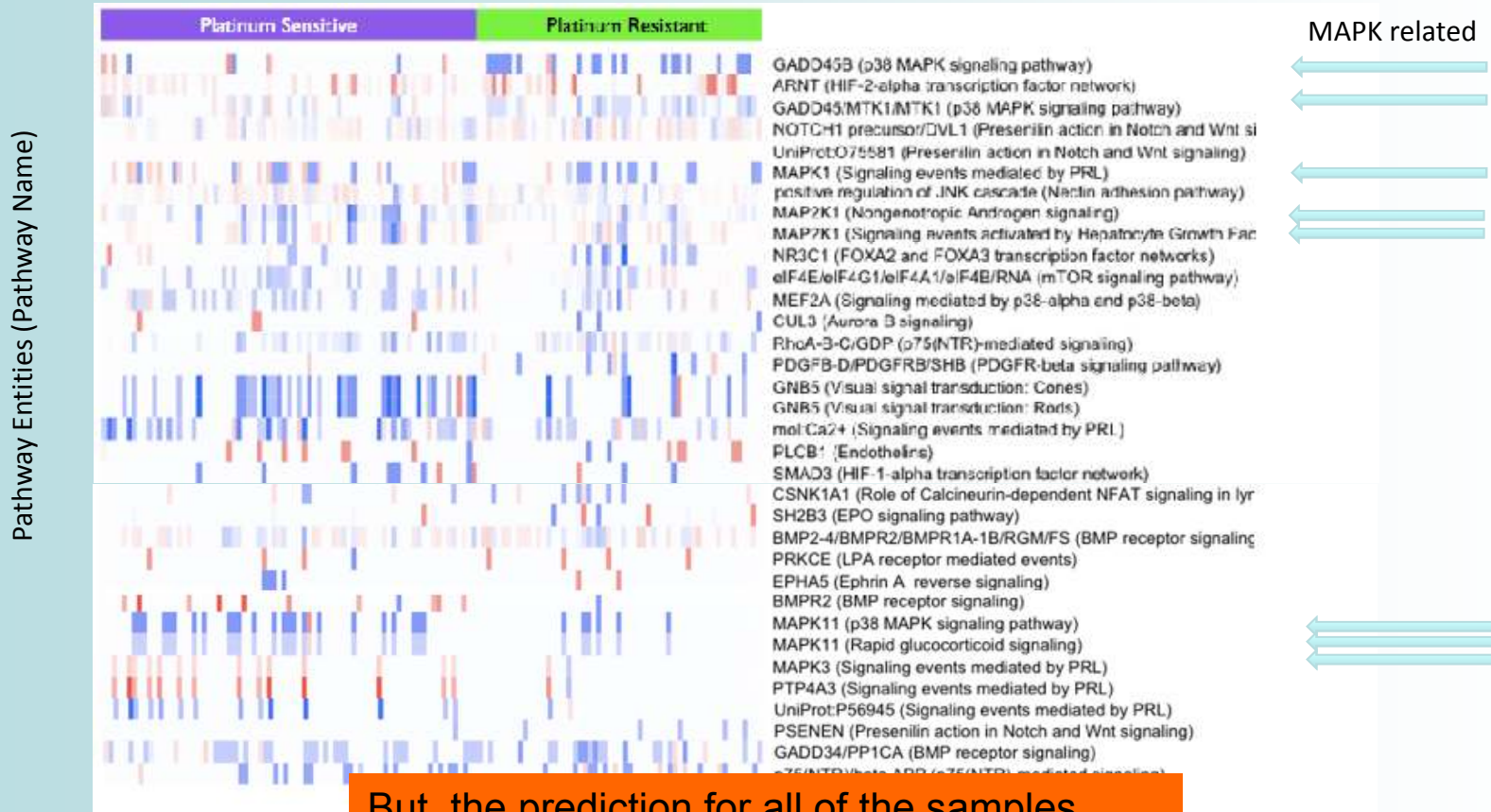


# Predict Platinum Sensitivity with Machine-Learning Classifiers

- Are any pathway entities correlated with Platinum response?
- Can we train a classifier to use a combination of activities to improve prediction of platinum sensitivity?

# Pathway Entities Improve Platinum Sensitivity Predictions

## Top Predictive Pathway Entities for Platinum Sensitivity



Sam

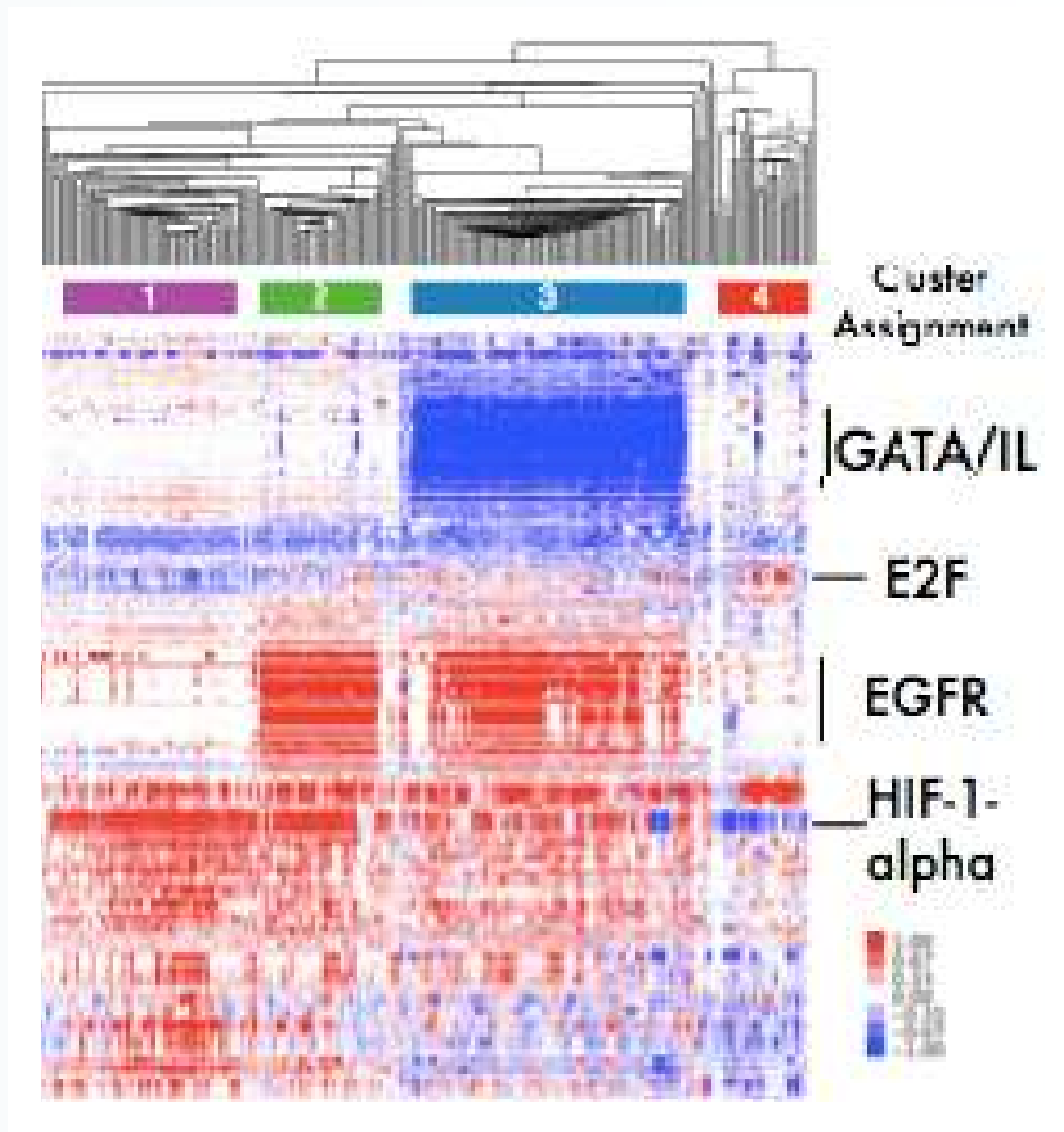
### Prediction Accuracy

Expression Data	CGH Data	Expression & CGH Data	Pathway Inference Data
< 50%	< 50%	53.15%	<b>75%</b>

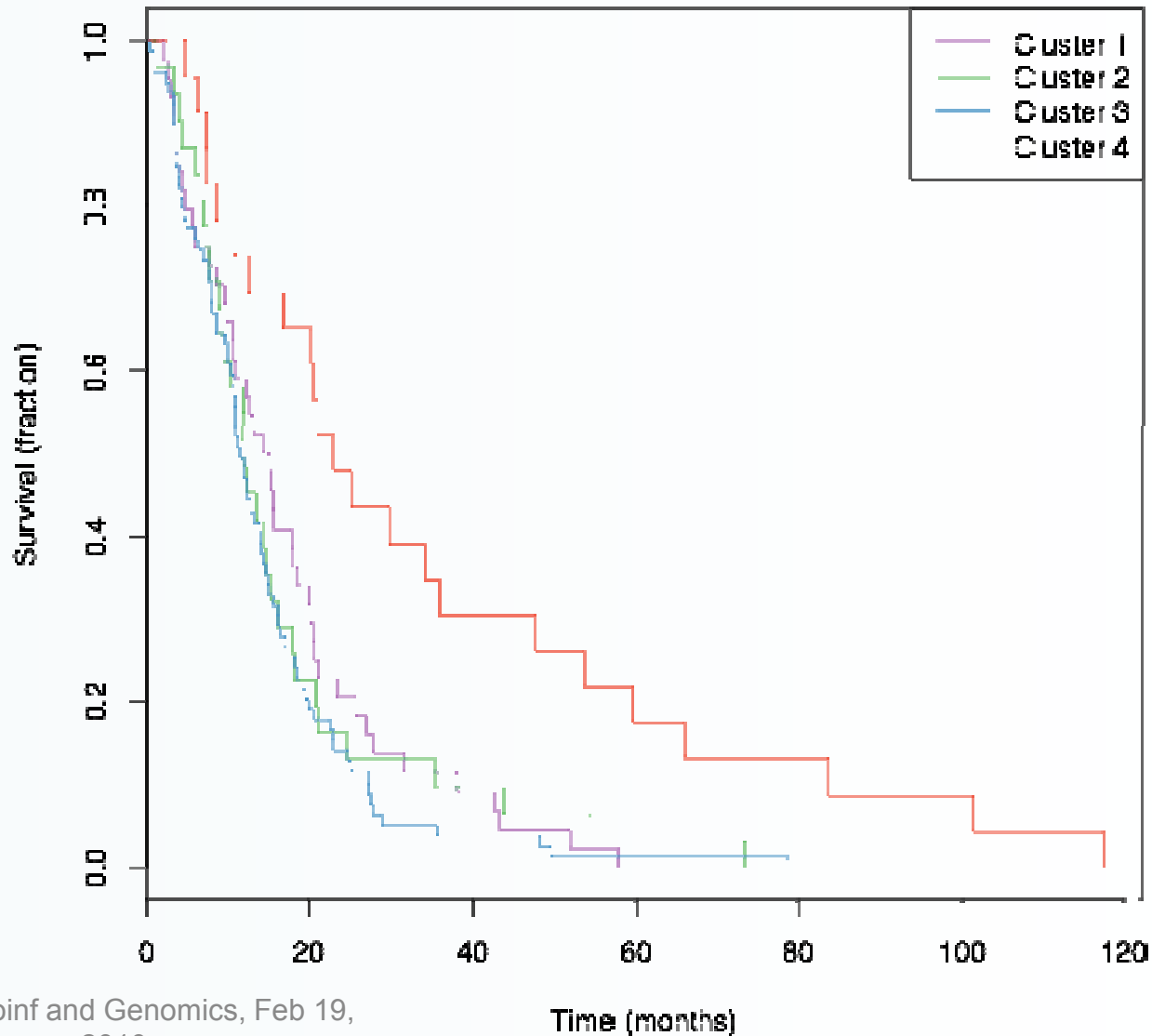
# Predict on Patient Sub-groups

- Classifiers forced to make a prediction for all patients are not highly accurate (75%).
- Can we accurately classify a subset of patients?
- Idea: allow classifiers to return “I don’t know” for a sample.
  - A two-step classifier: 1) Decide if sample is classifiable; 2) If so, classify as sensitive/insensitive
- We can predict, at ~90% accuracy for 23% of the samples (35 out of 153)
  - 22 predicted as low (1 incorrect)
  - 12 predicted as high (4 incorrect)
- (Still working on this; results are preliminary)

# PARADIGM Outputs (IPAs) Create Obvious Clusters in GBM



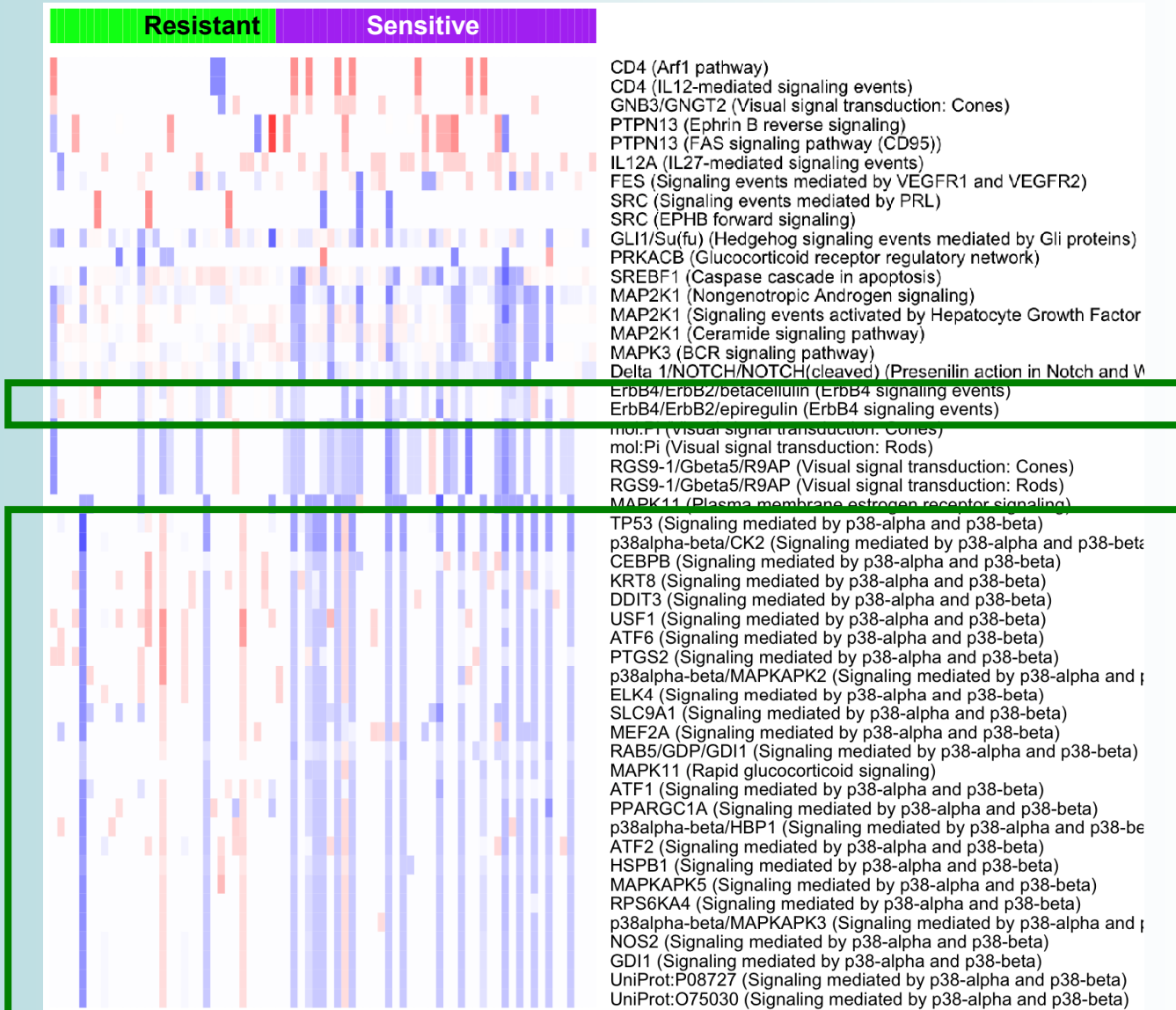
# GBM Clusters Significantly Separate Patients on Survival



# Top Ovarian Cancer Features Using Pathway Scores

## Samples

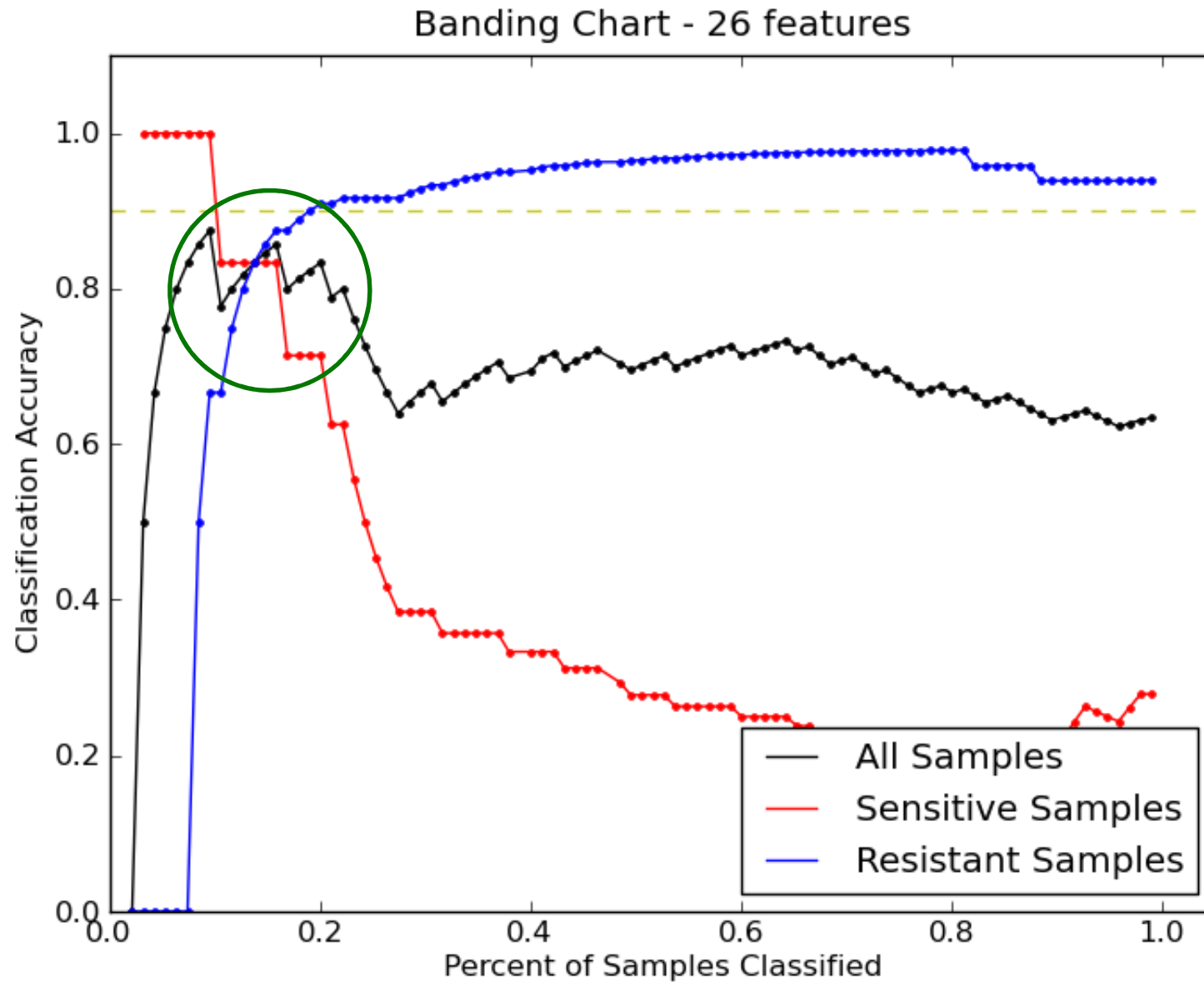
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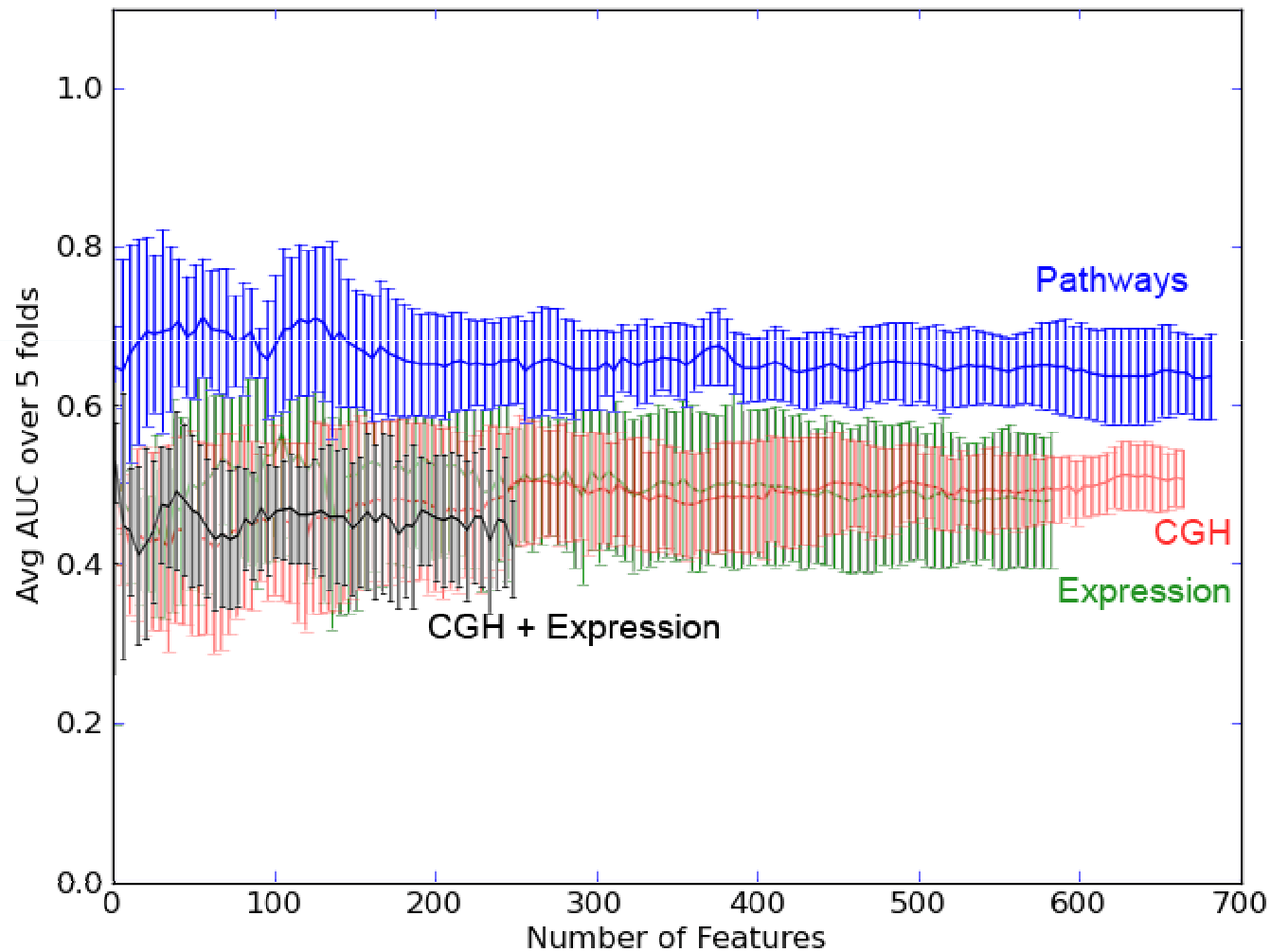
ErbB4  
pathway

p38  
pathway

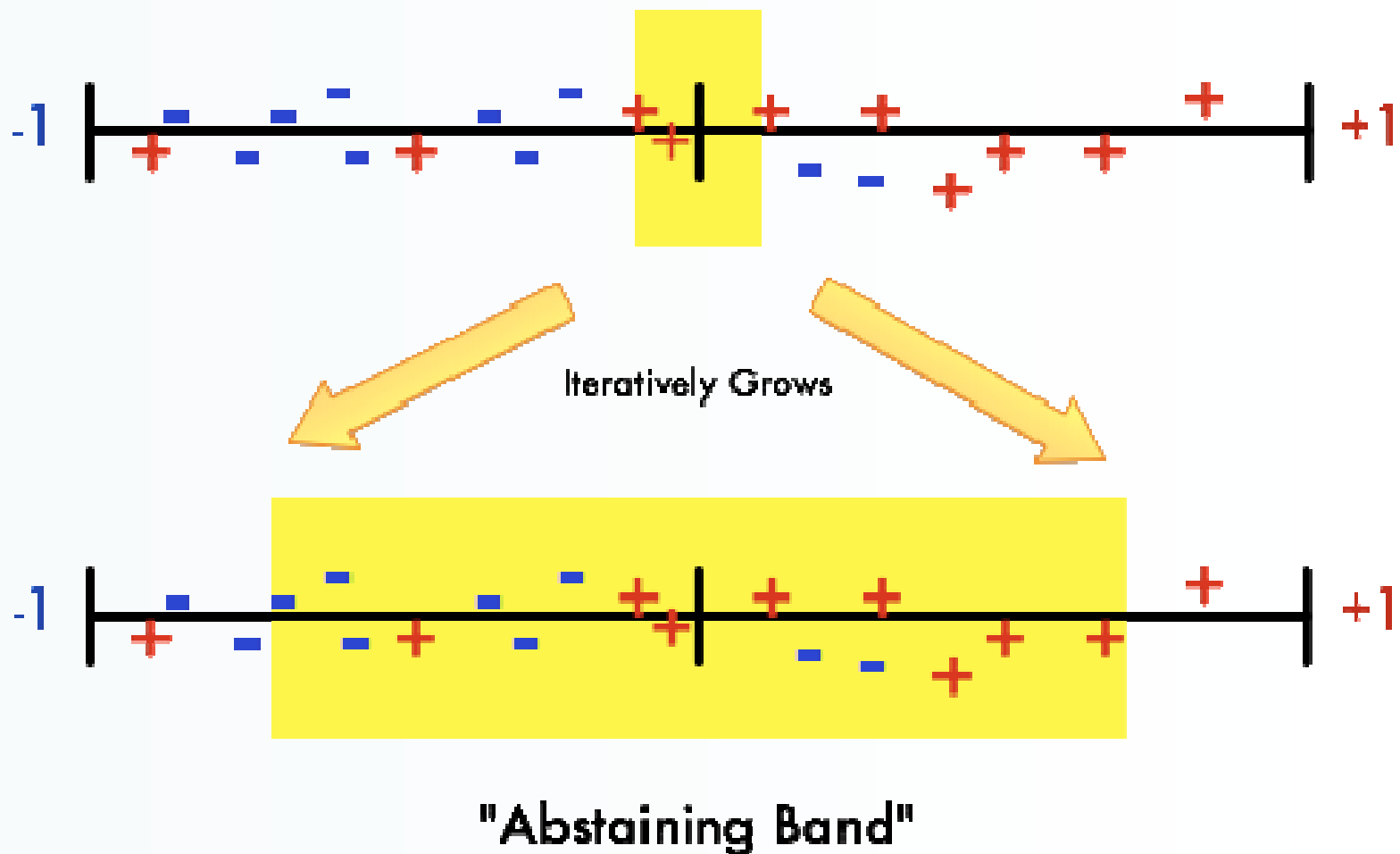
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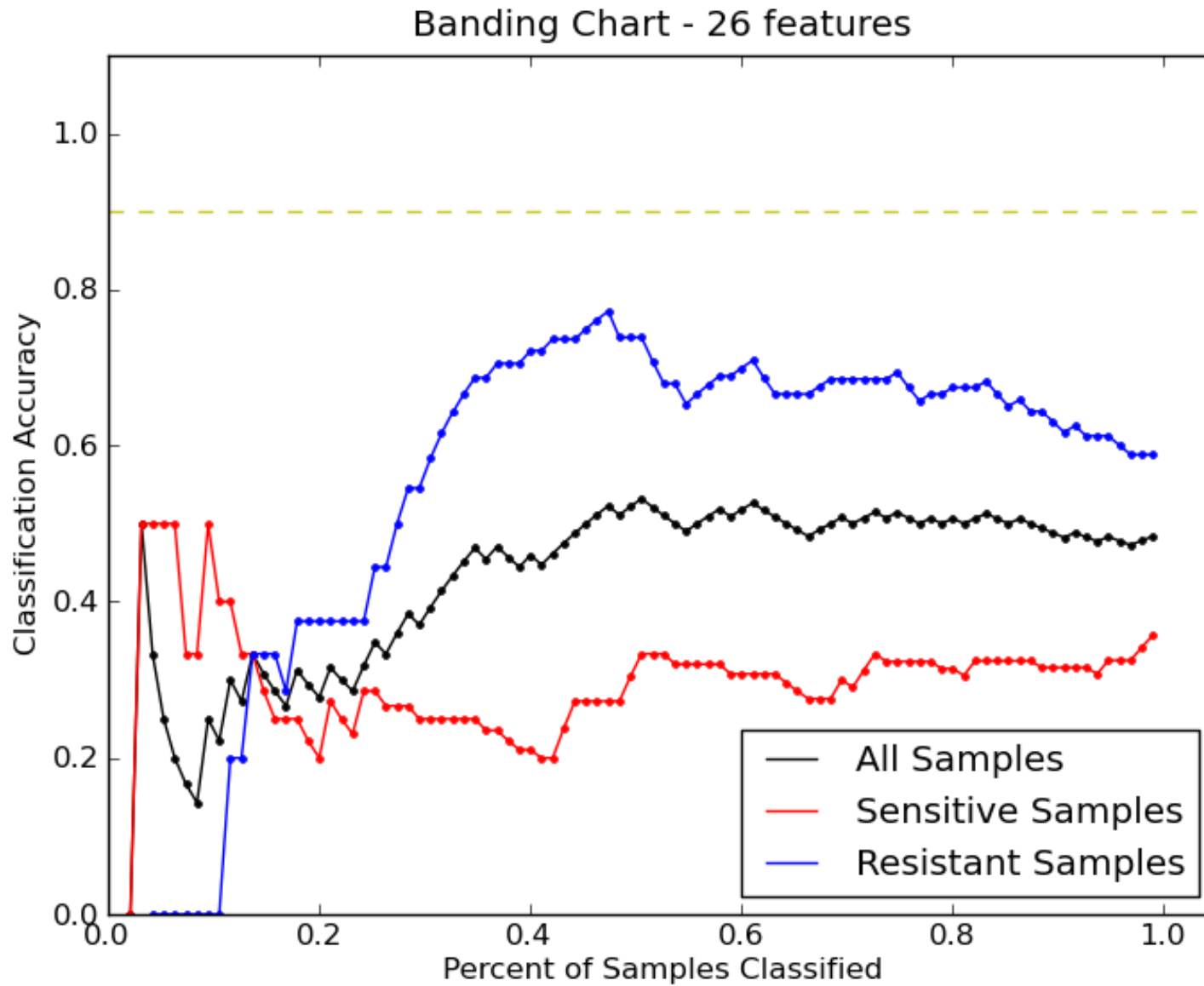
# Pathway Activities More Informative for Predicting Platinum Sensitivity than Input Data



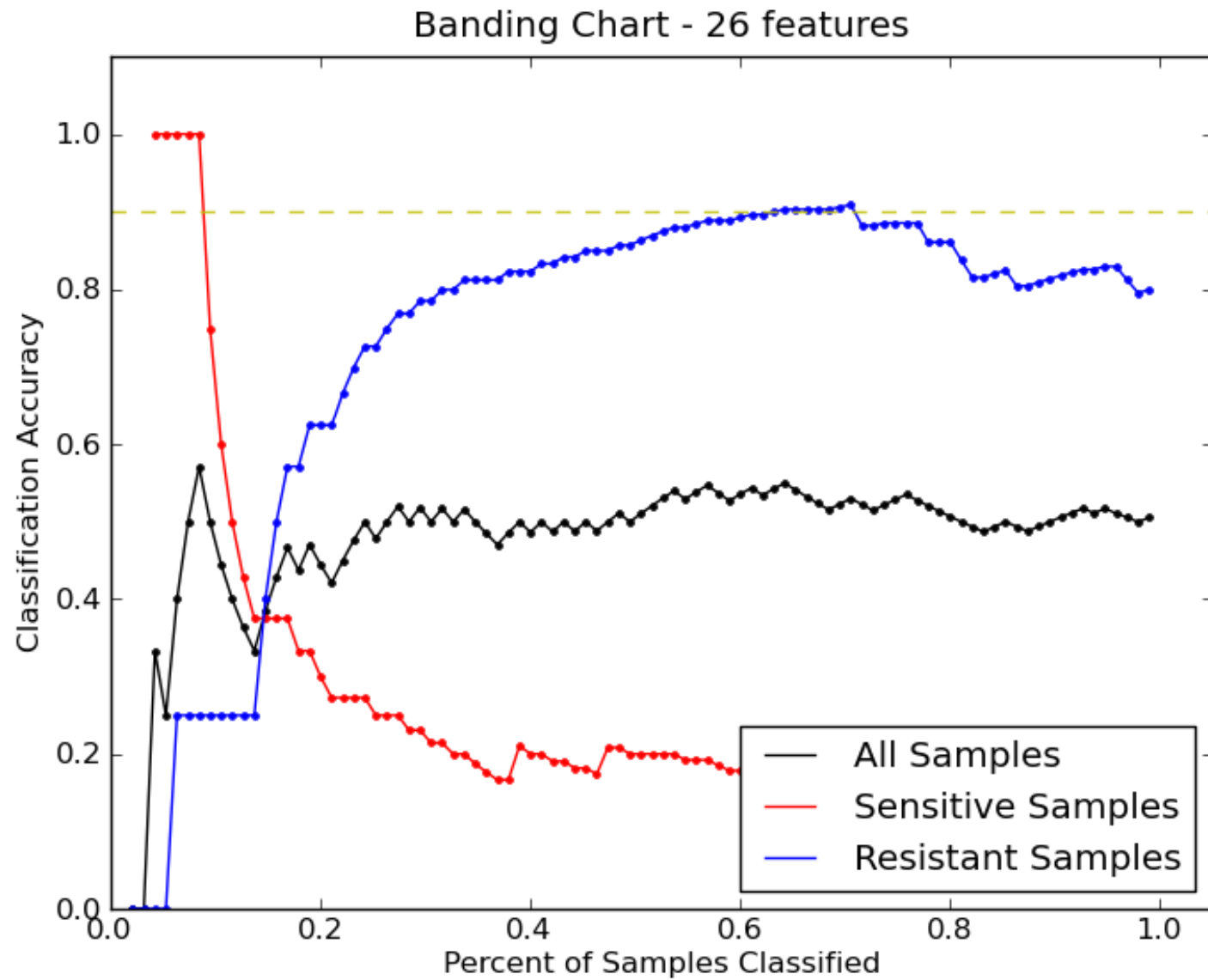
# Using SVM-Light to build a simple abstaining classifier



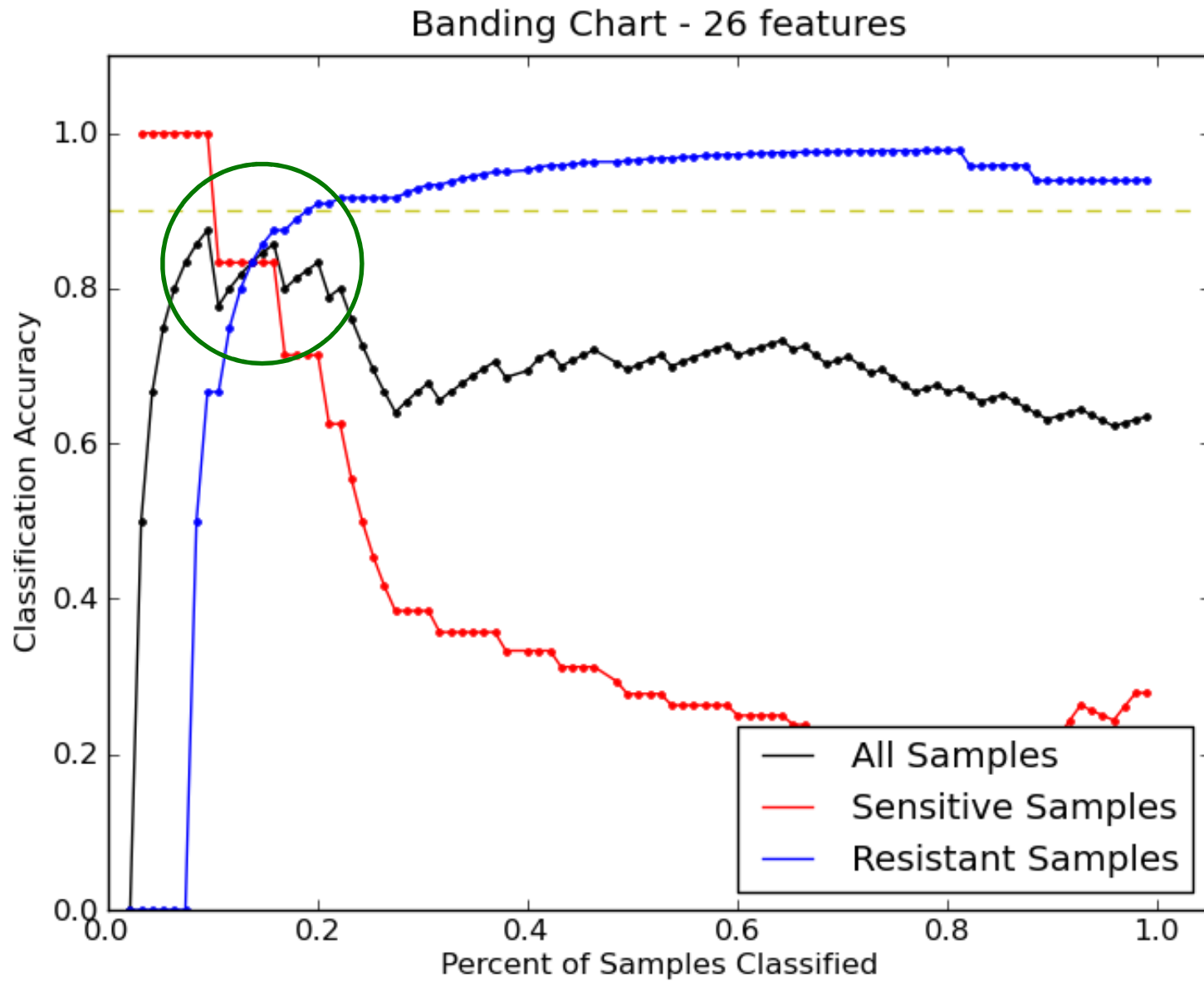
# Classifying Platinum Sensitivity With Expression Scores



# Classifying Platinum Sensitivity With Copy Number Scores



# Classifying Platinum Sensitivity With Pathway Scores



# Automated Pathway Scoring

- Better models agree with most of the data
- Allow integration of multiple kinds of data
- Probabilistic graphical models allow automatic detection of relevant pathways
- On some datasets, better clinical outcome predictors
- Limitation: can't discover anything new

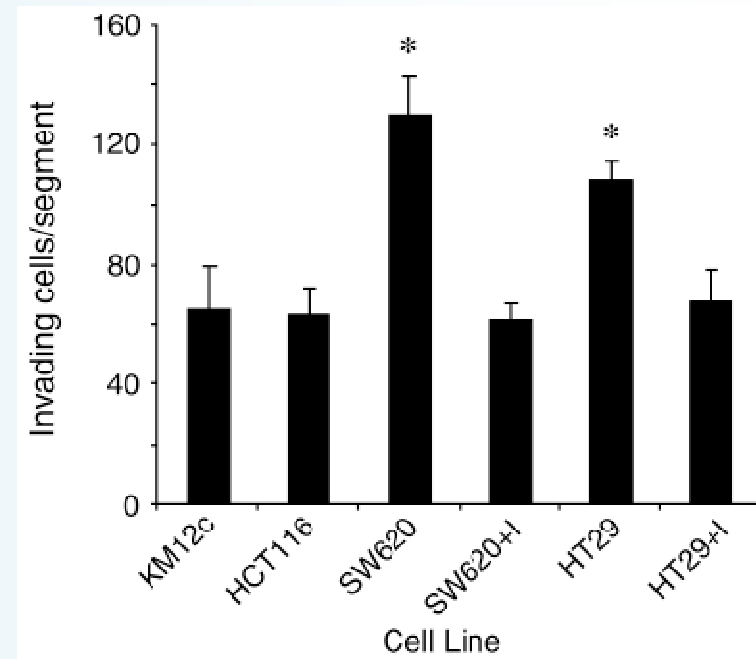
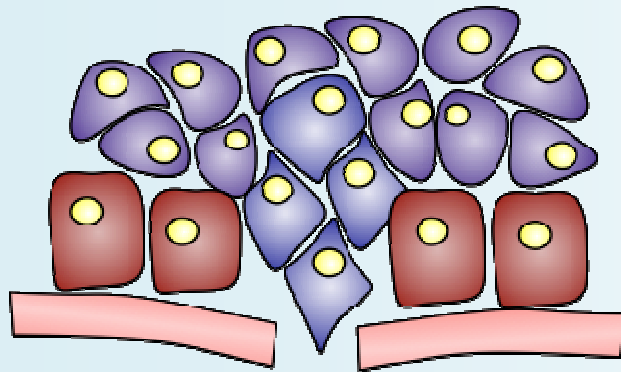
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# Beyond the “usual suspects”: Novel Pathways

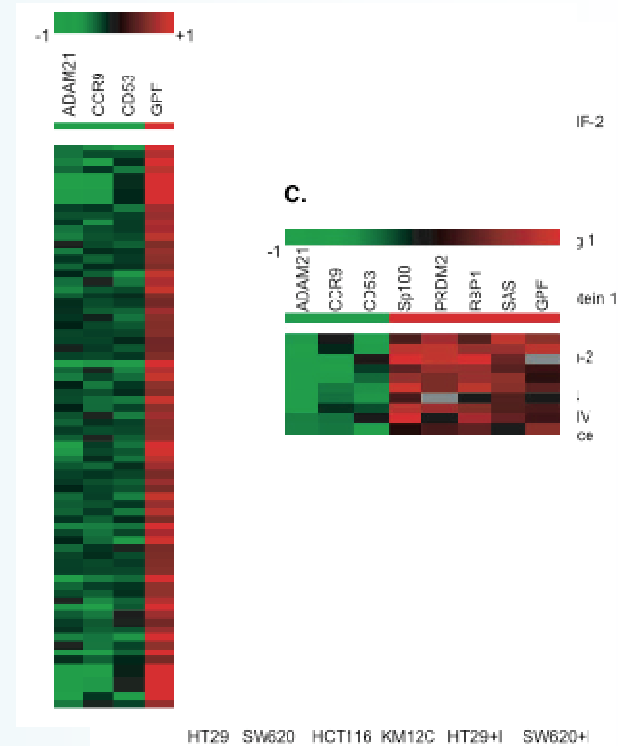
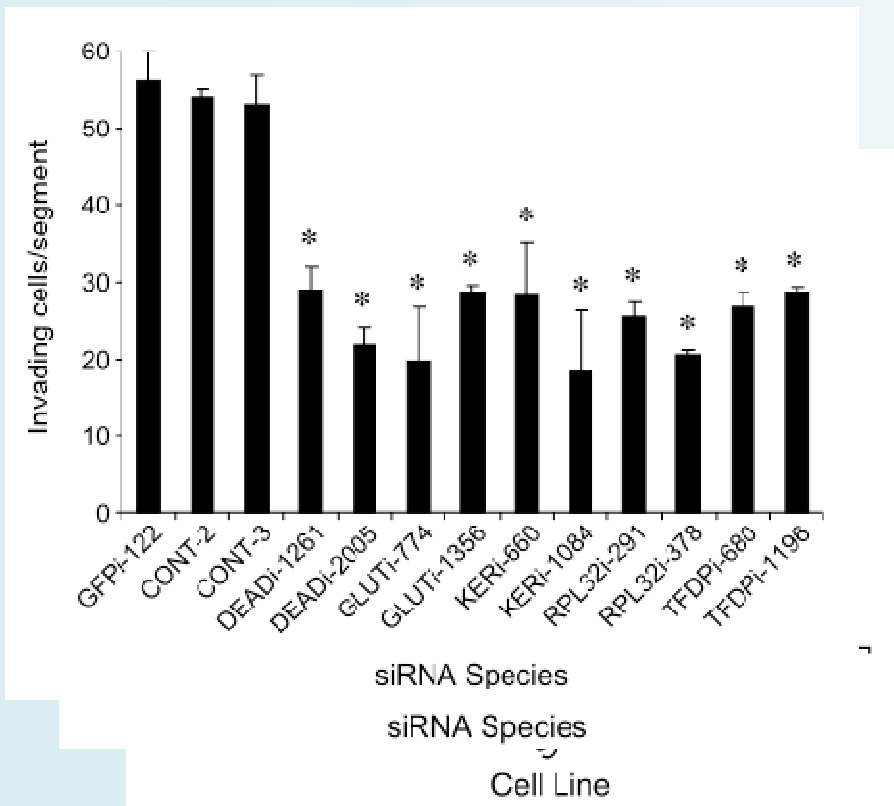
- Many pathways not fully characterized
  1. Find interactions (structure) between known genes using fast, available experimental techniques
  2. Predict new members of the pathway
  3. Validate, then iterate

# Application to Cancer Invasion



Phenotype assay  
(Invasion in Matrigel)

# Colon Cancer Invasion



Phenotype assay  
(Invasion in Matrigel)

Expression Profile  
Find gene candidates

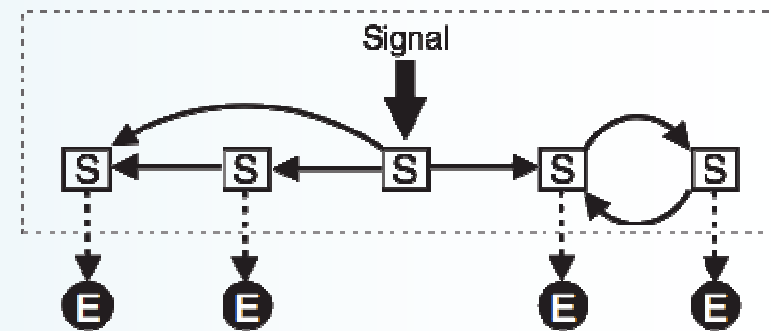
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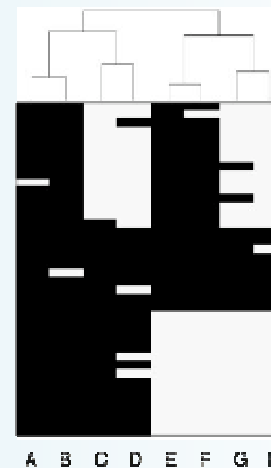
- Indirect observations
- Transcriptional & NON-transcriptional regulation

## •Challenges

- Throwing out sign of data
- Computationally difficult hypothesis space



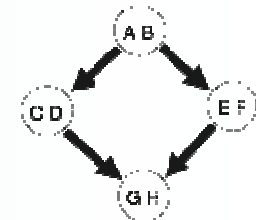
(a) Data



(b) Clustering



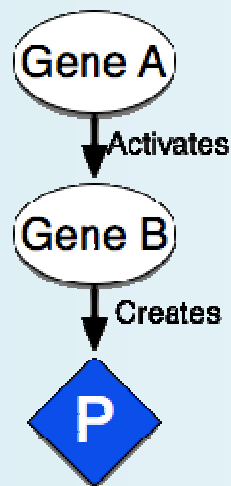
(c) Nested Effects Model



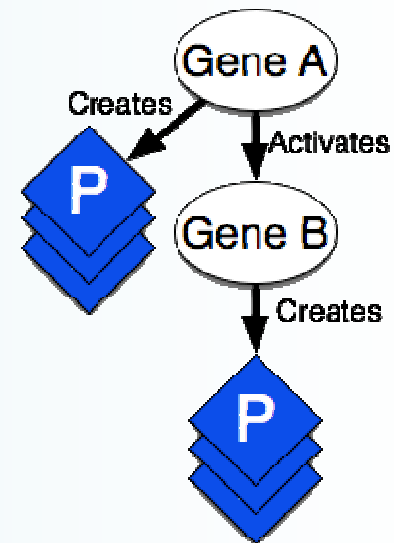
(d) Subset structure



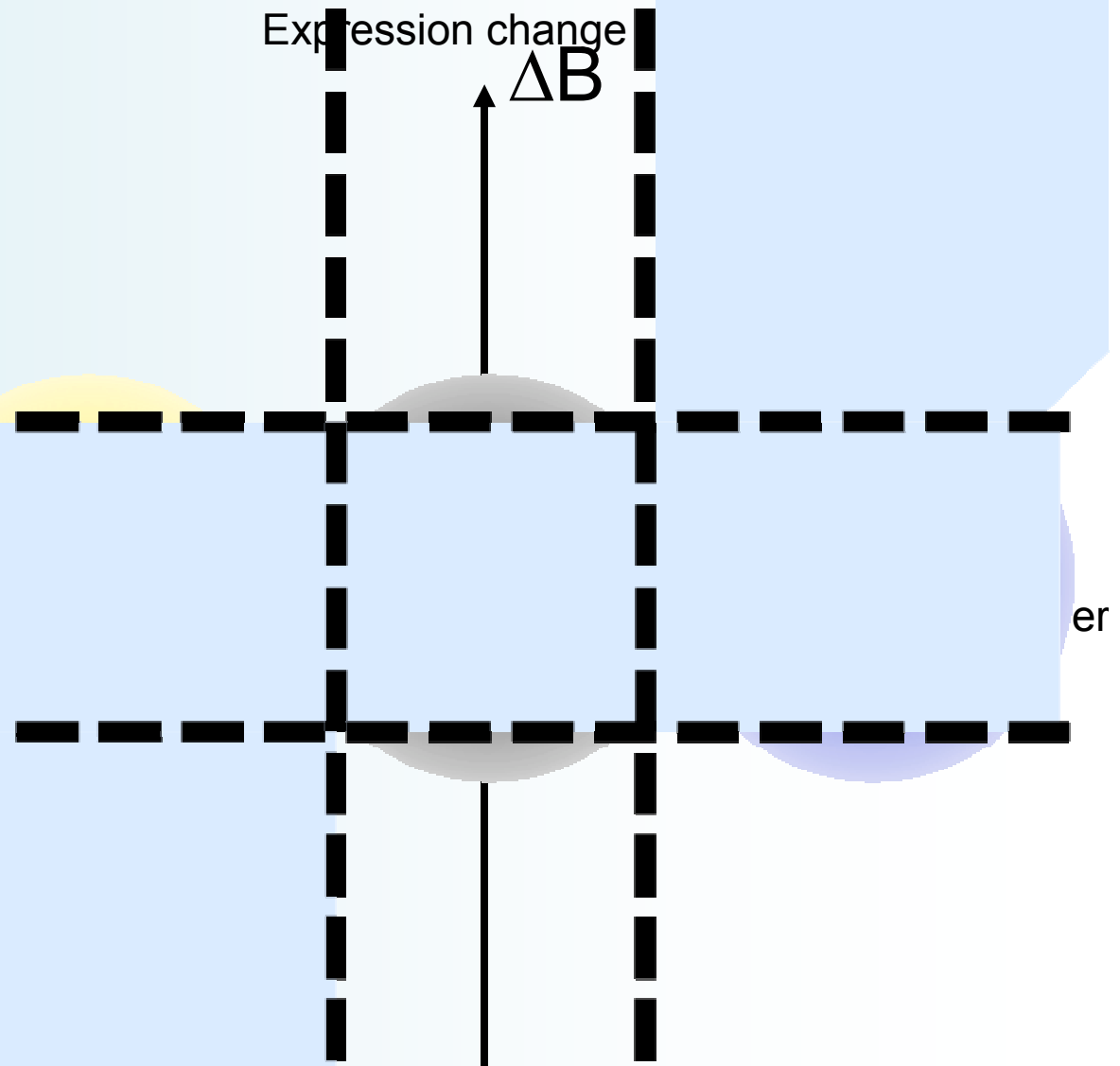
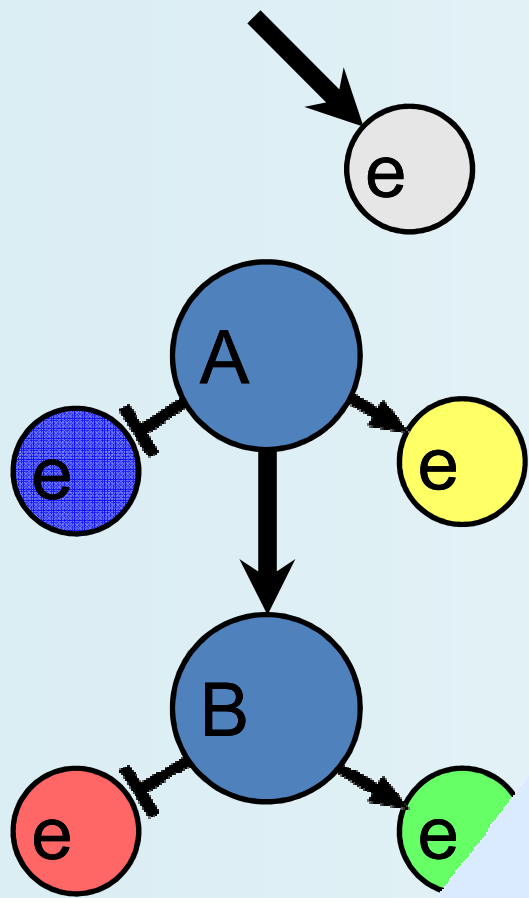
# Microarrays Measure Many Phenotypes



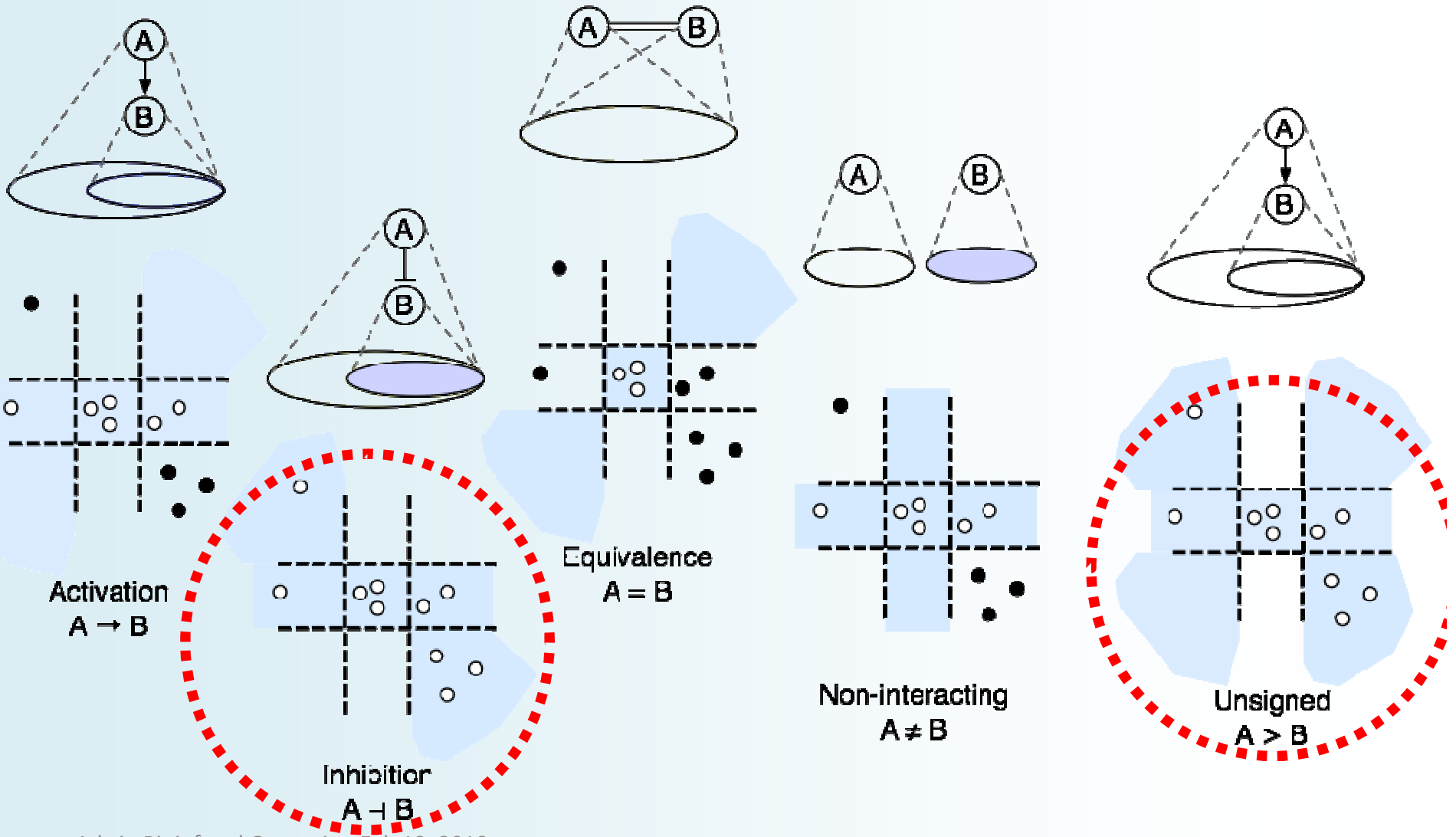
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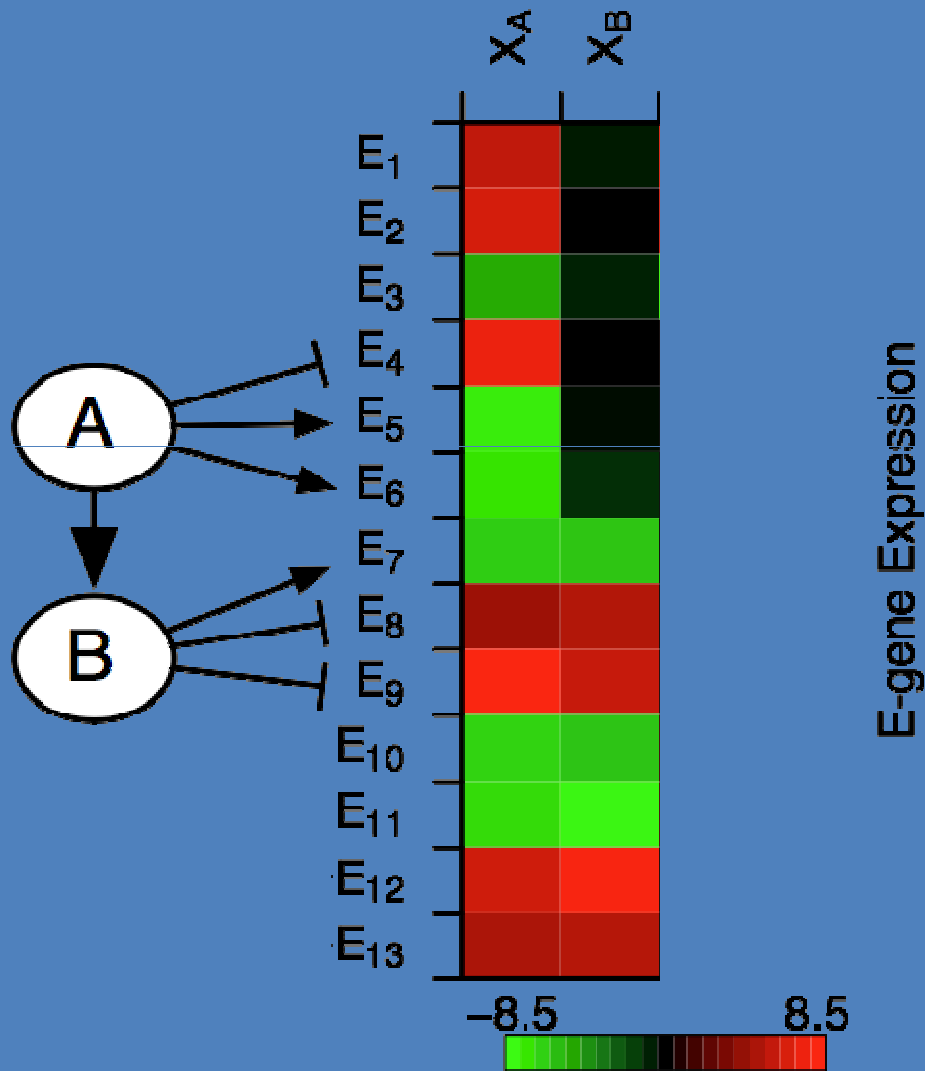
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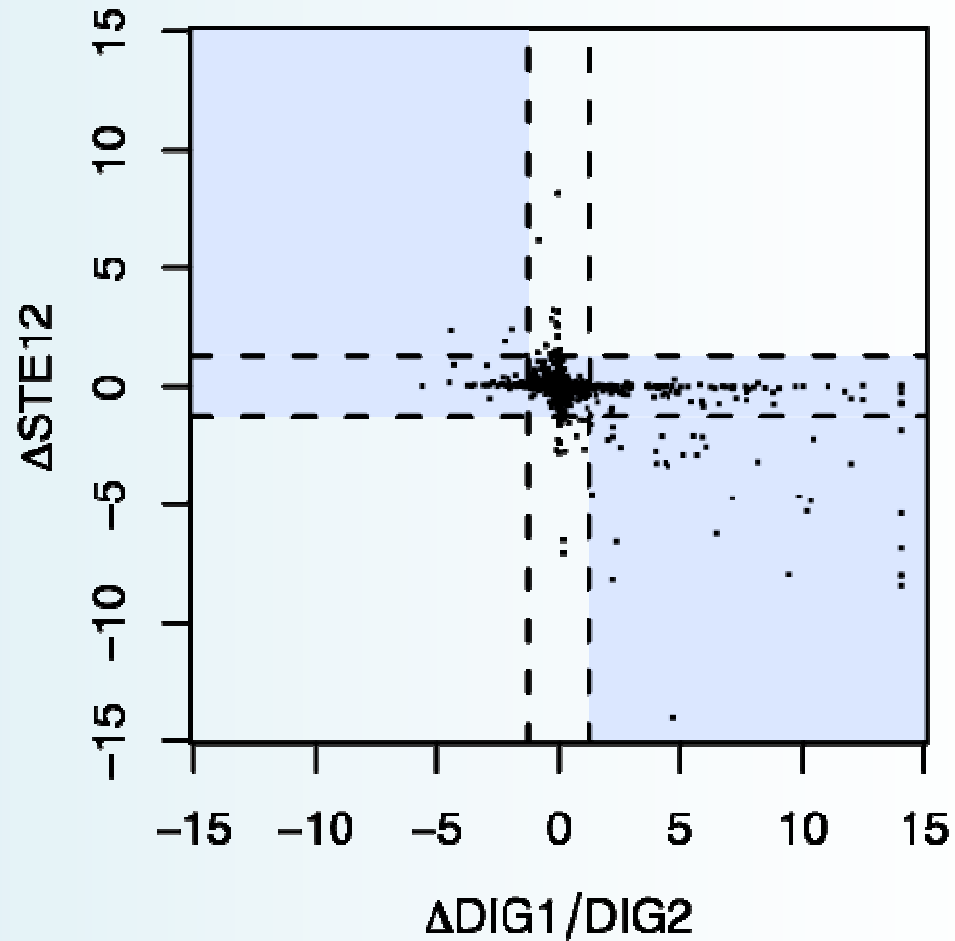
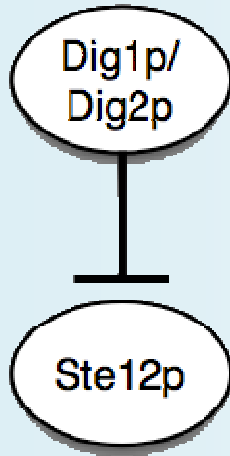
# Start from pairs



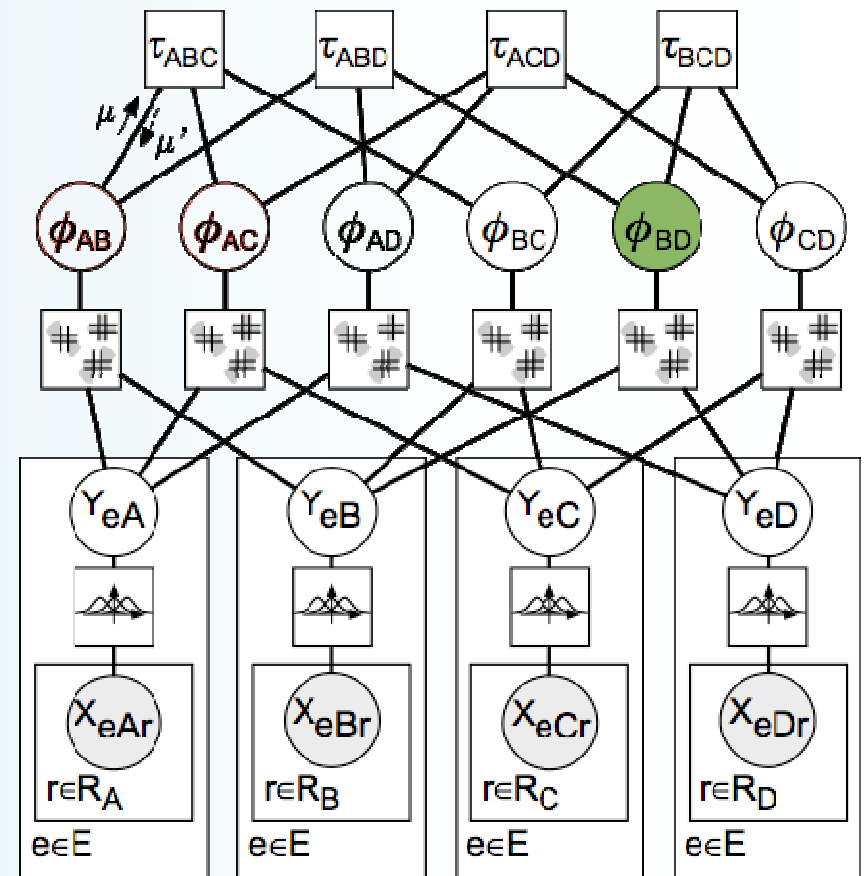
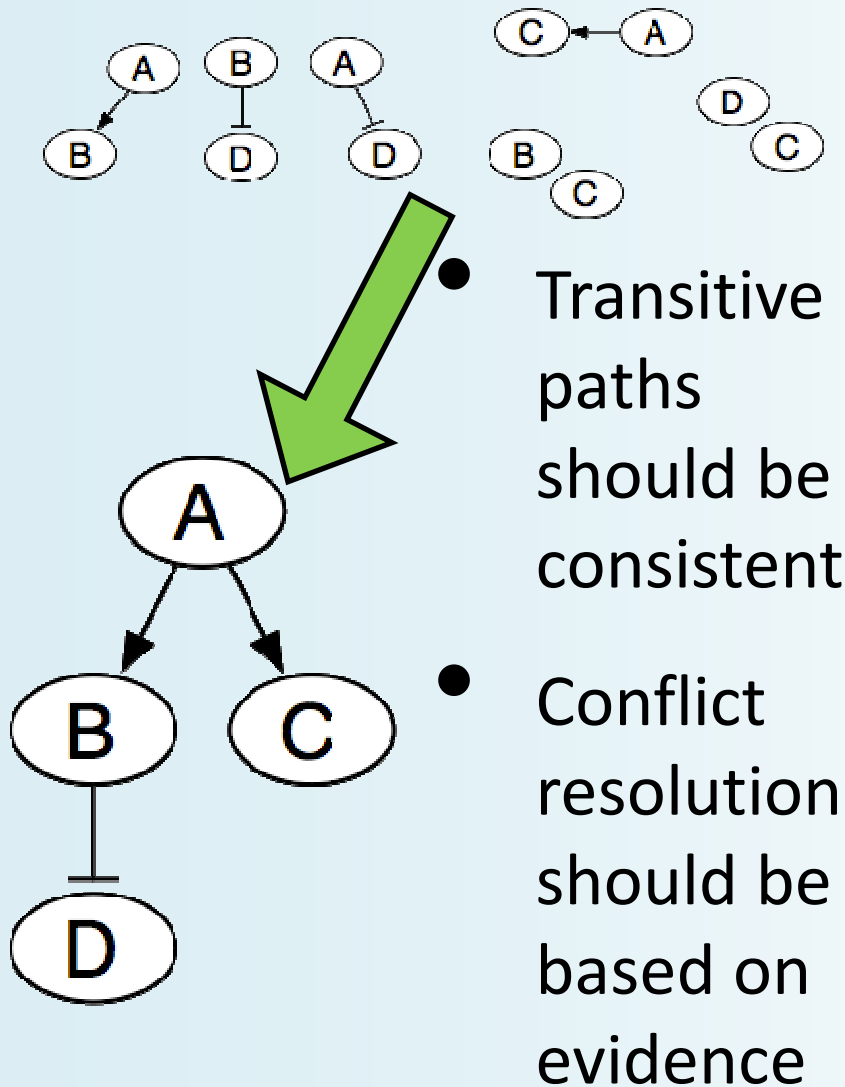
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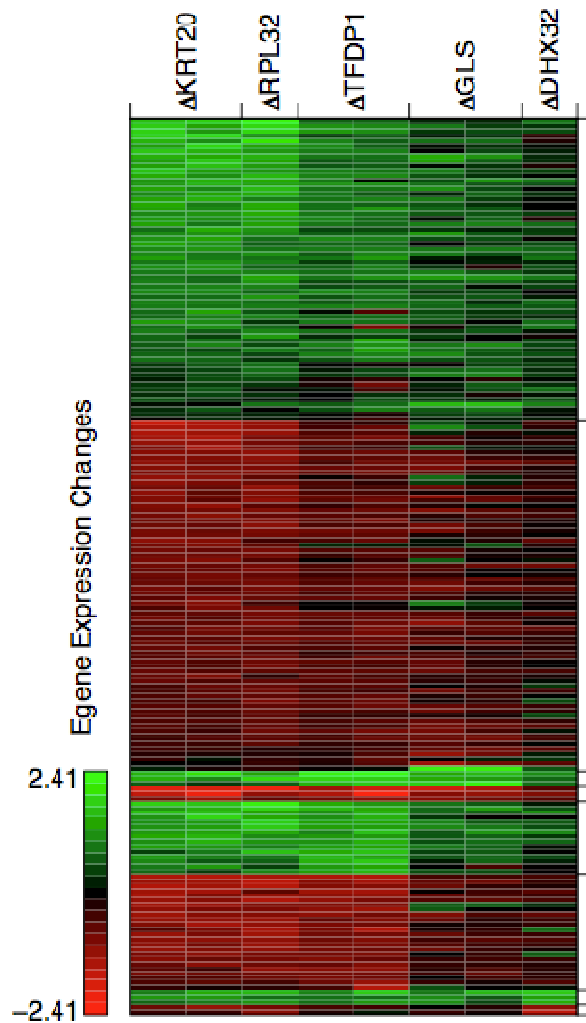
# Observations from Yeast



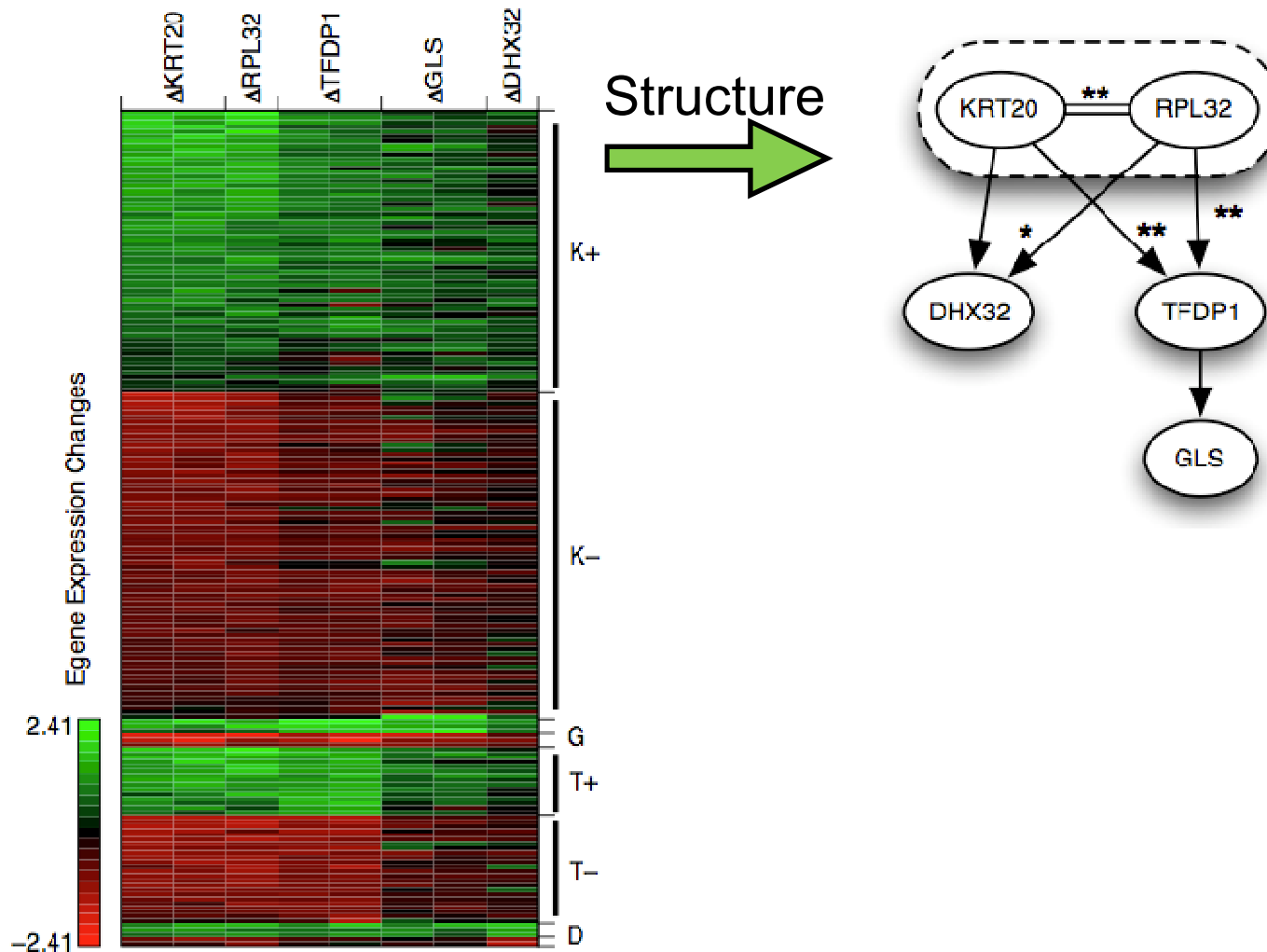
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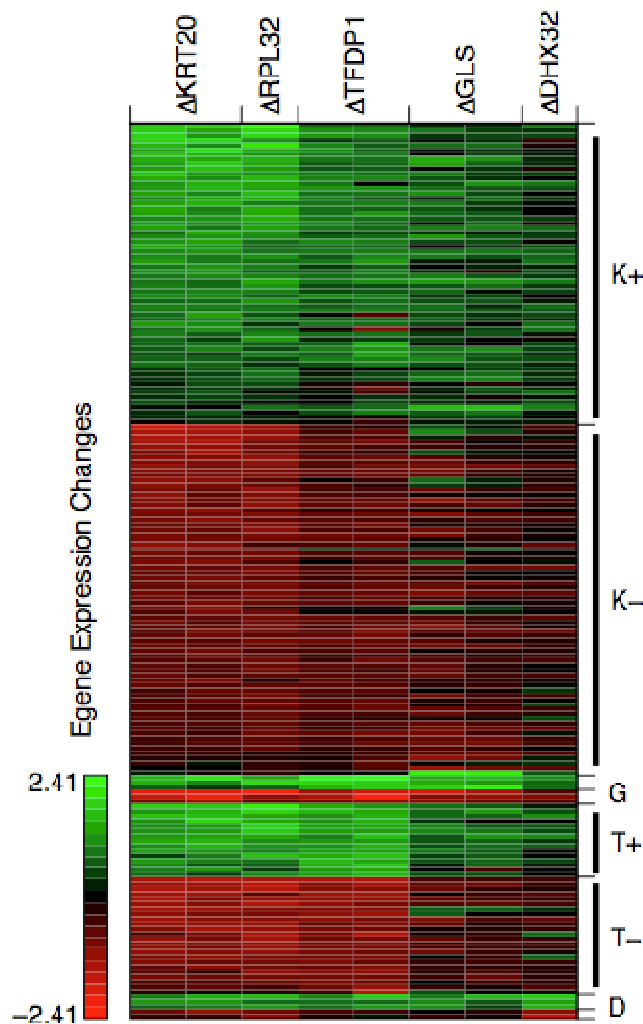
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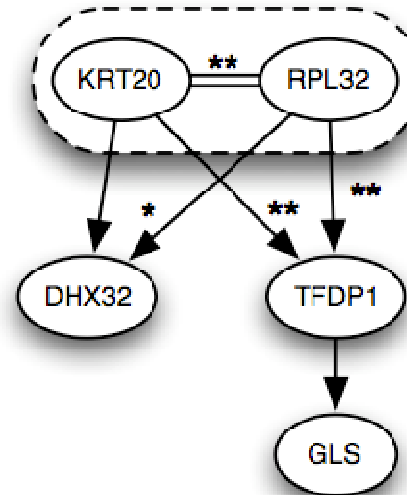
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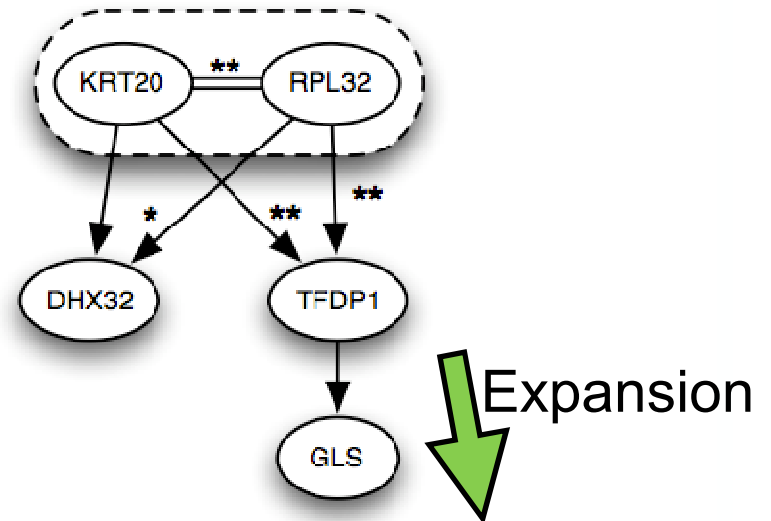
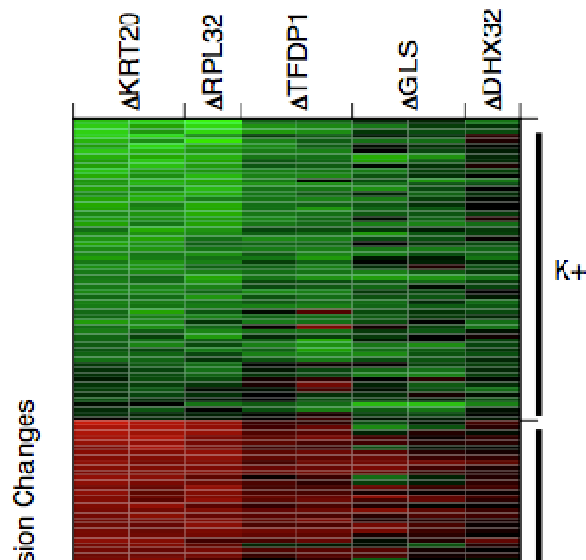


LAR	E-gene	S-gene	E-gene Description
1879	CHORDC1	GLS	cysteine and histidine-rich domain (CHORD)-containing 1
1135	RNF32	GLS	ring finger protein 32
1093	TSP50	TFDP1	testes-specific protease 50
1002	HS3ST1	KRT20	heparan sulfate (glucosamine) 3-O-sulfotransferase 1
685	CHMP4C	TFDP1	chromatin modifying protein 4C
676	ADAM19	KRT20	ADAM metallopeptidase domain 19 (meltrin beta)
634	CYP3A43	KRT20	cytochrome P450, family 3, subfamily A, polypeptide 43
597	SPTLC3	TFDP1	serine palmitoyltransferase, long chain base subunit 3
525	PLEKHM3	KRT20	pleckstrin homology domain containing, family M, member 3
492	KRT13	TFDP1	keratin 13
420	CAPN12	KRT20	calpain 12
387	Clorf34	KRT20	hypothetical protein LOC22996
354	ZNF350	KRT20	zinc finger protein 350
353	ADAM9	TFDP1	ADAM metallopeptidase domain 9 (meltrin gamma)
275	SLC2A1	KRT20	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 1
238	TCTEX1D1	TFDP1	Tctex1 domain containing 1
223	STK24	KRT20	serine/threonine kinase 24 (STE20 homolog, yeast)
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201	GFAP	KRT20	glial fibrillary acidic protein

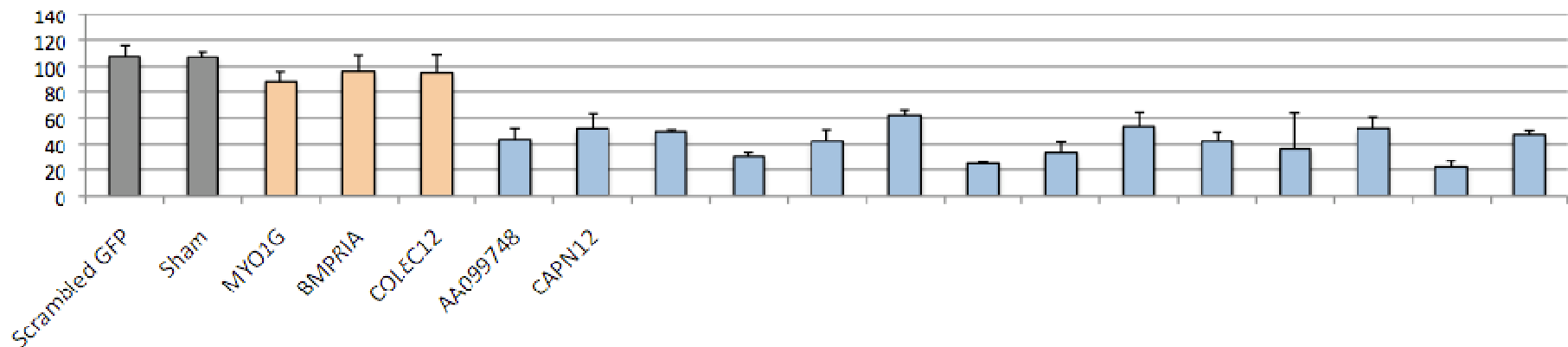
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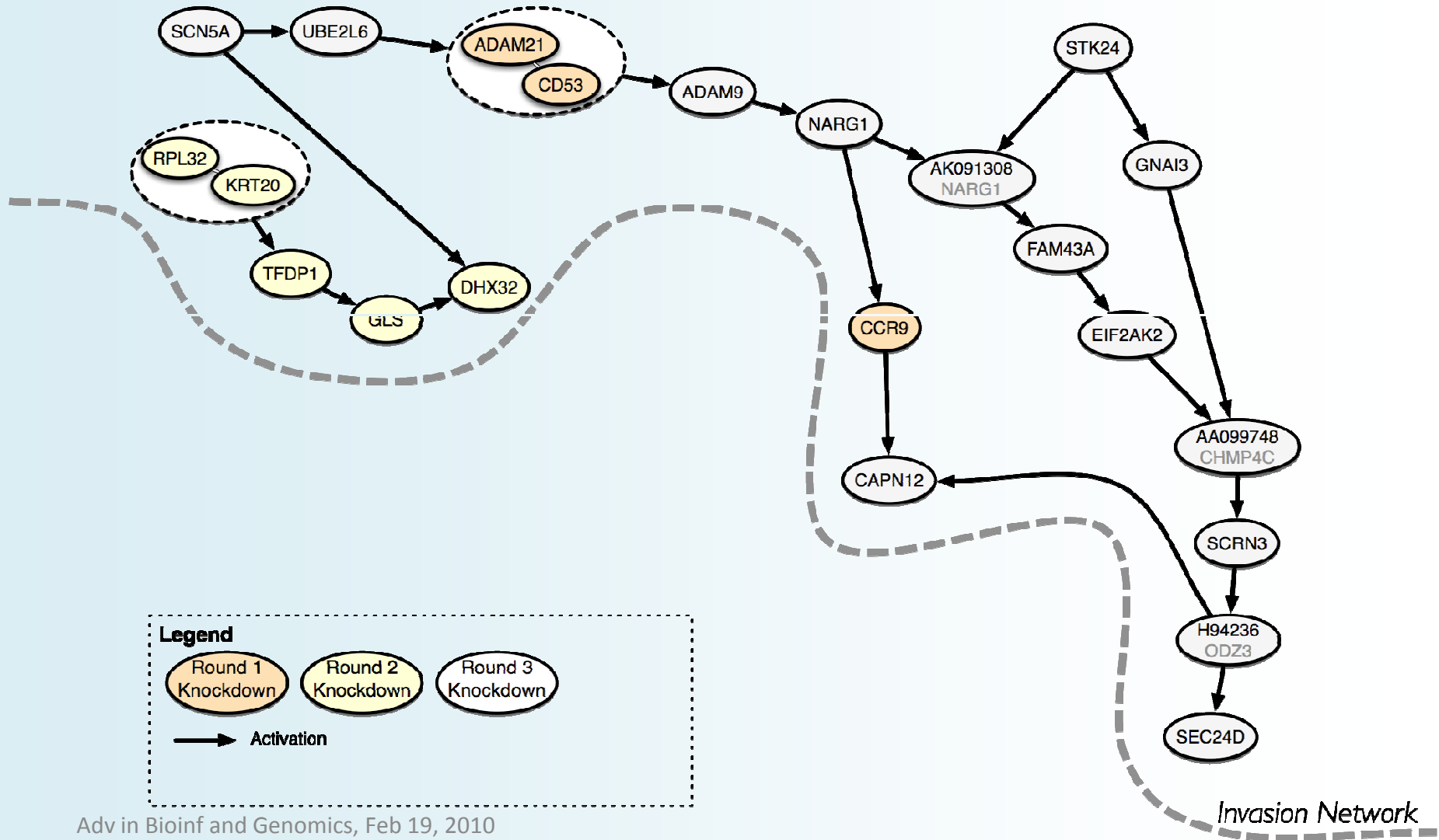


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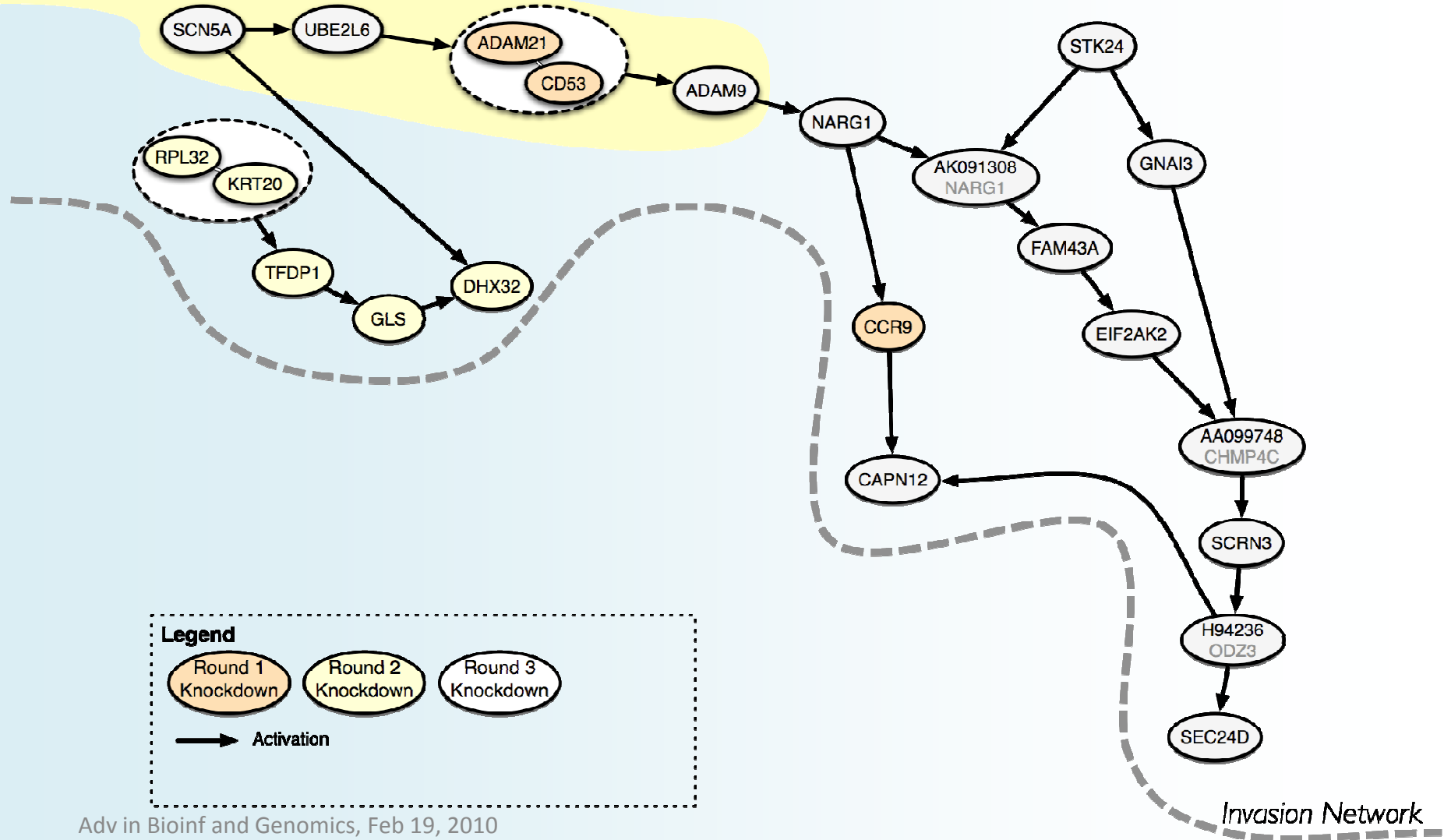


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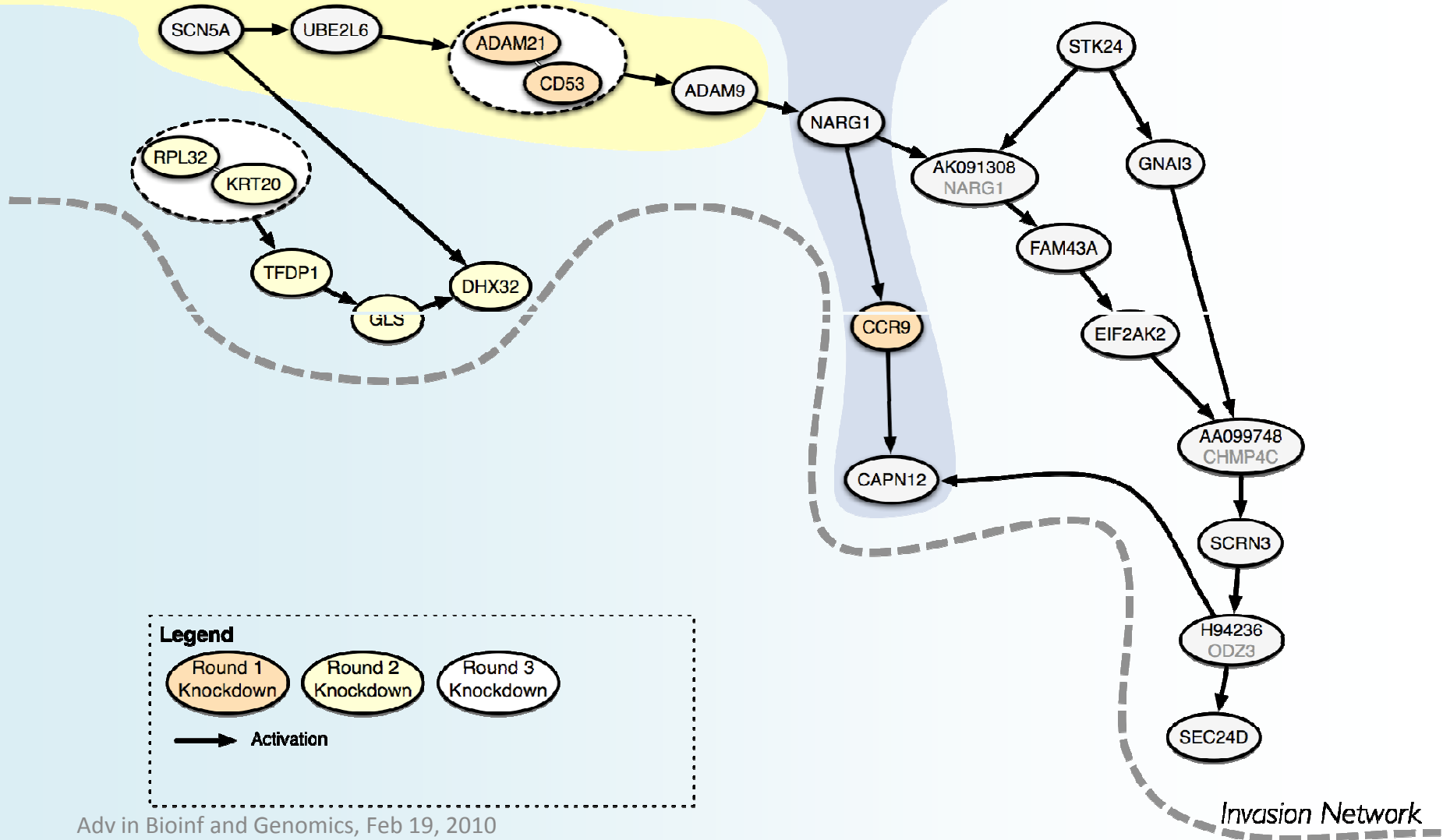
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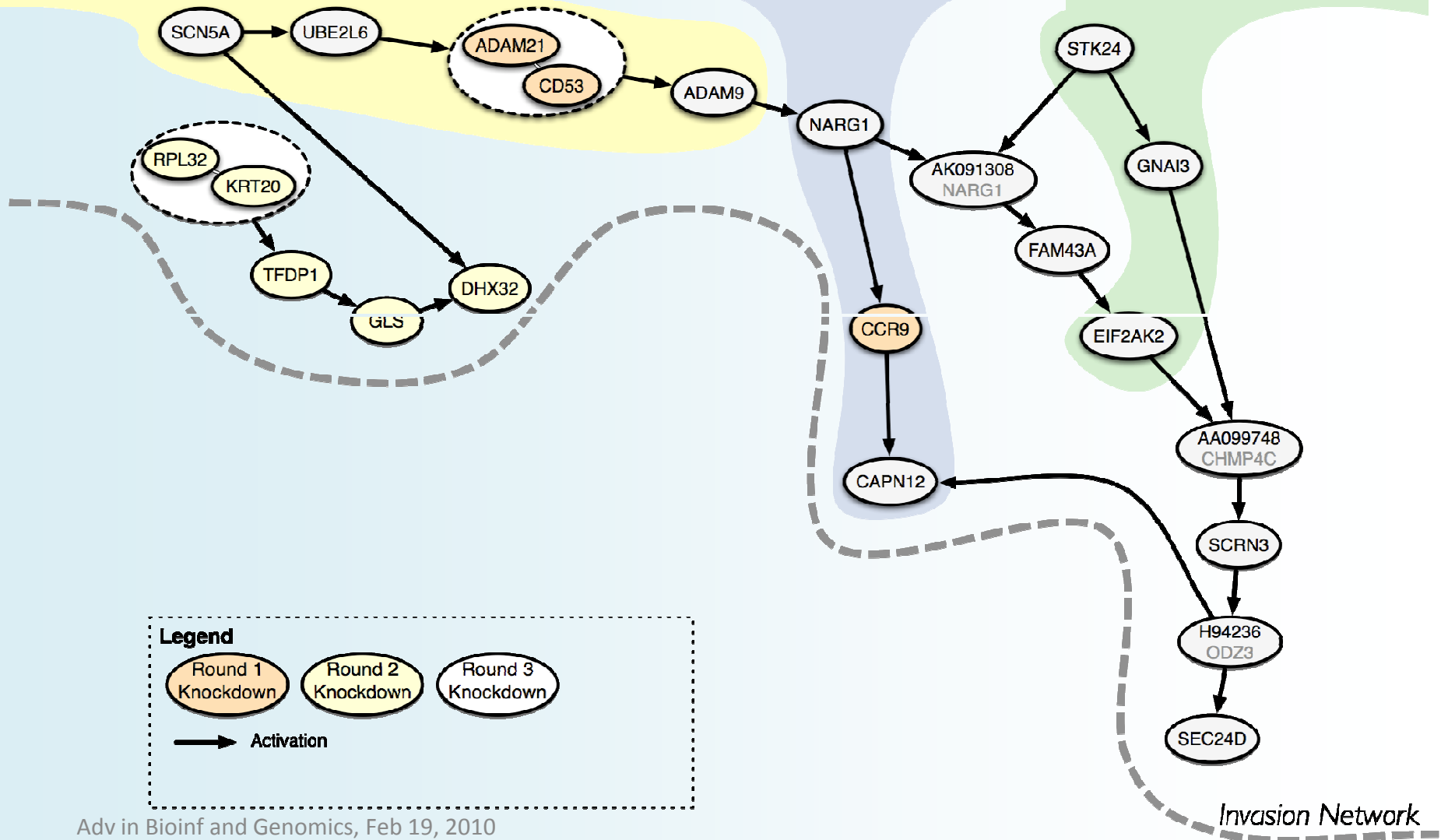


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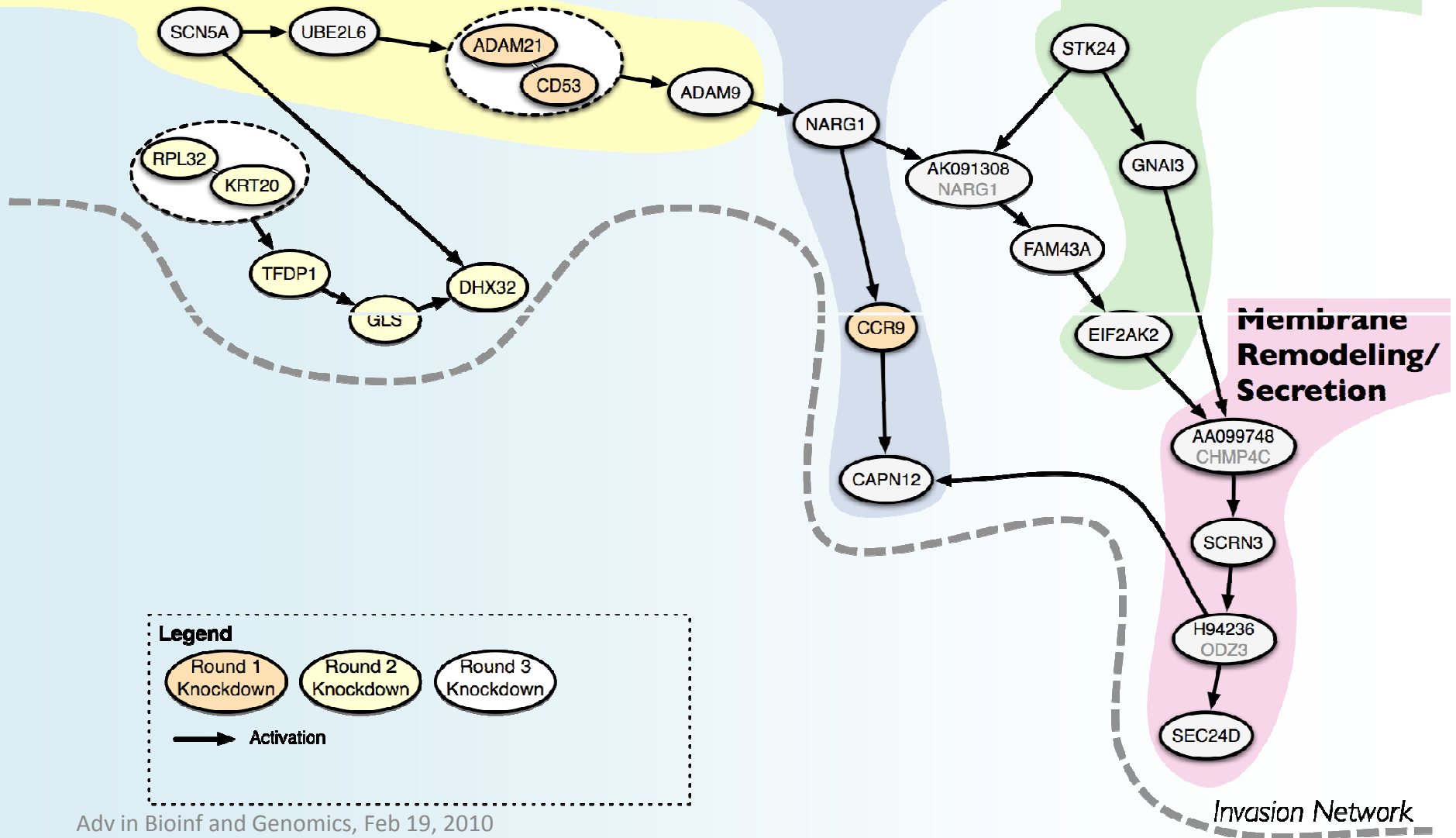


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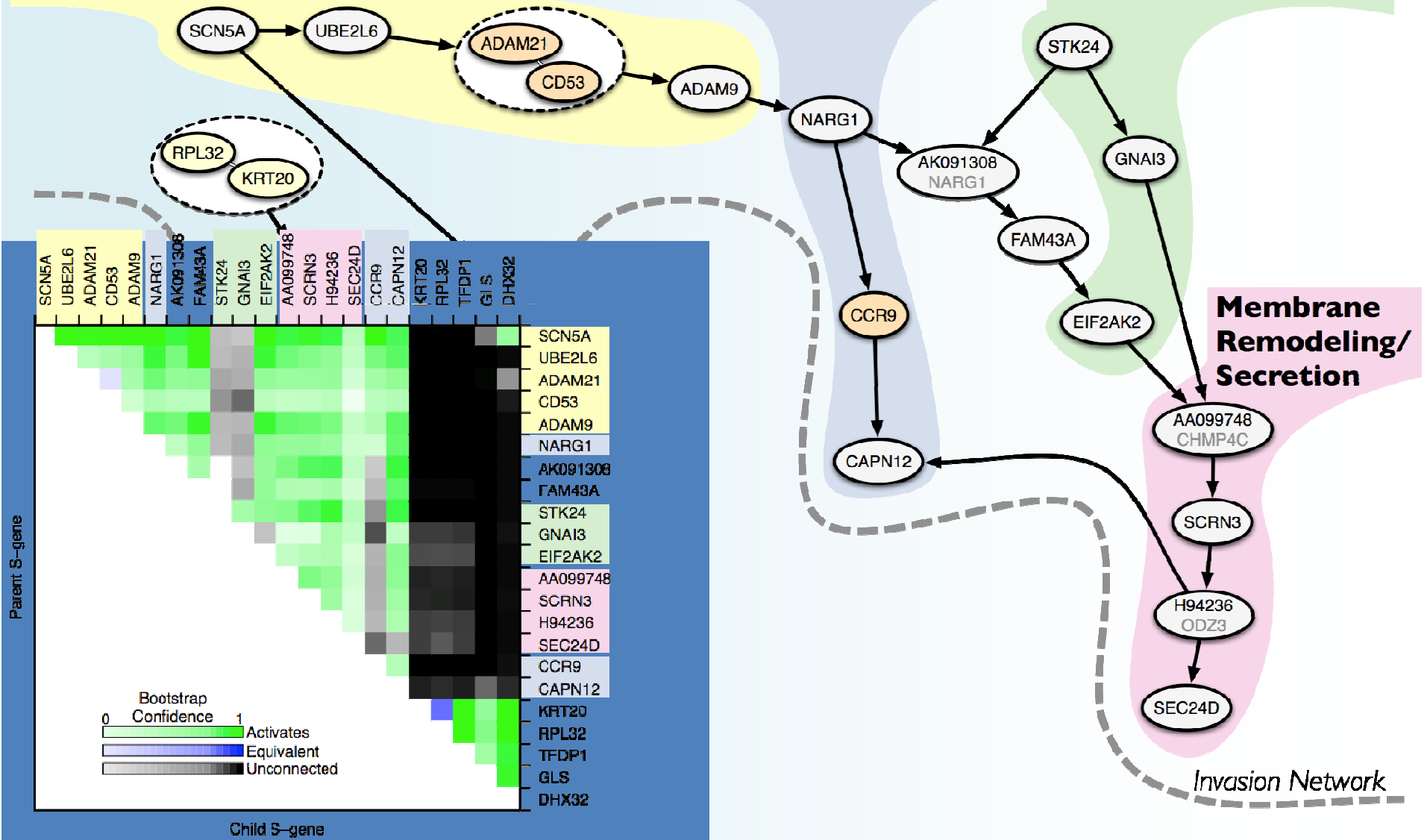


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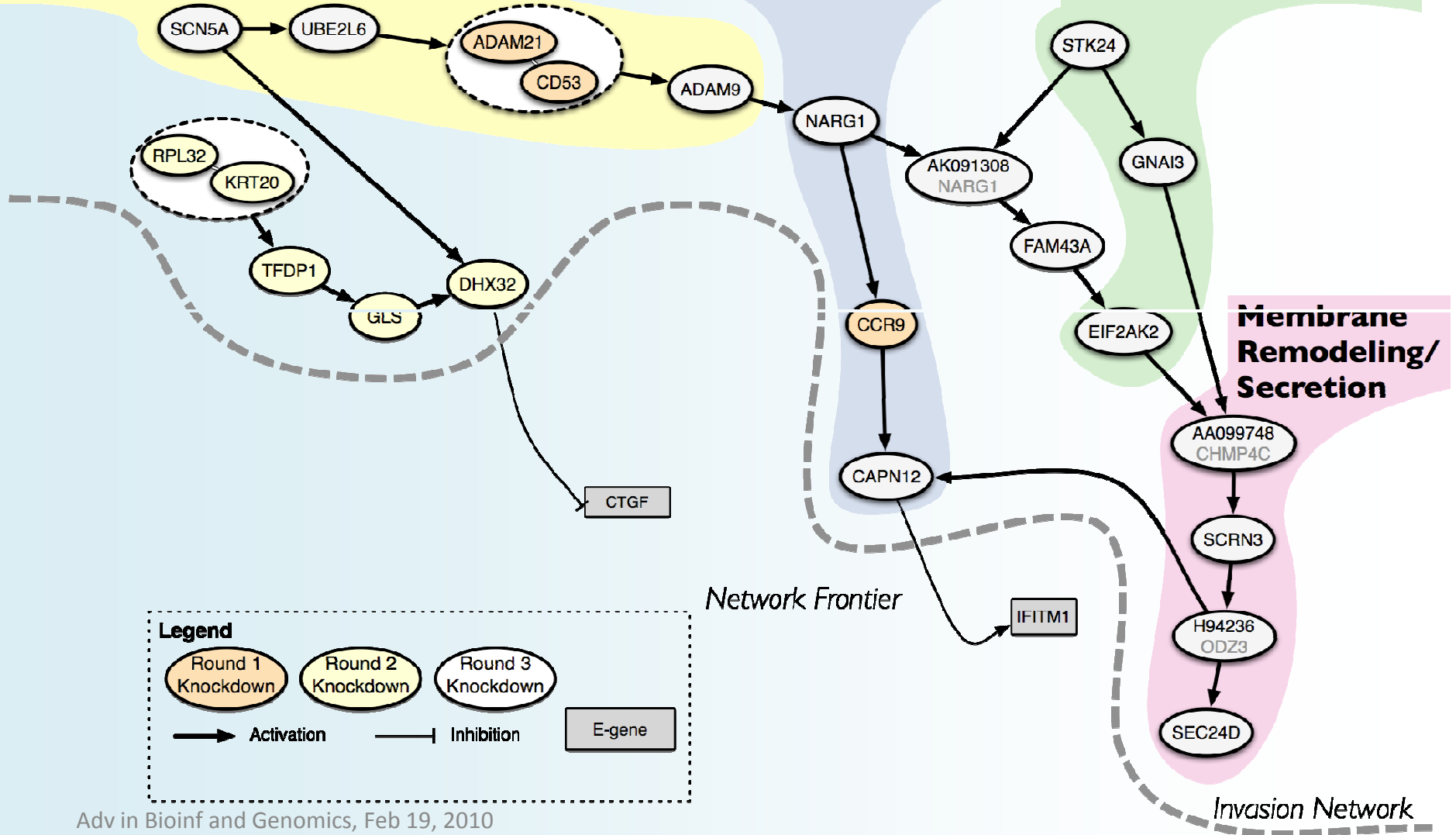


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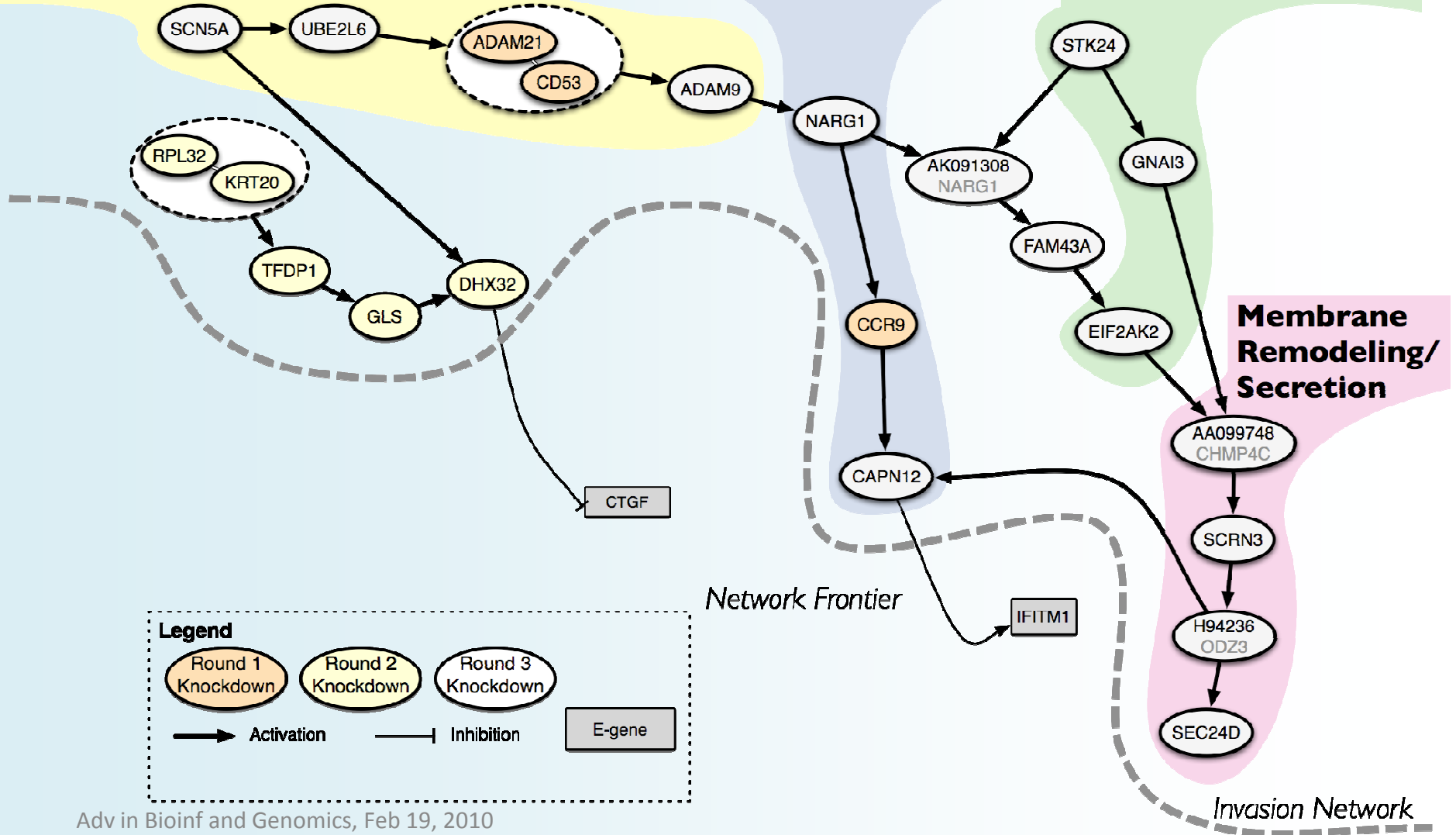


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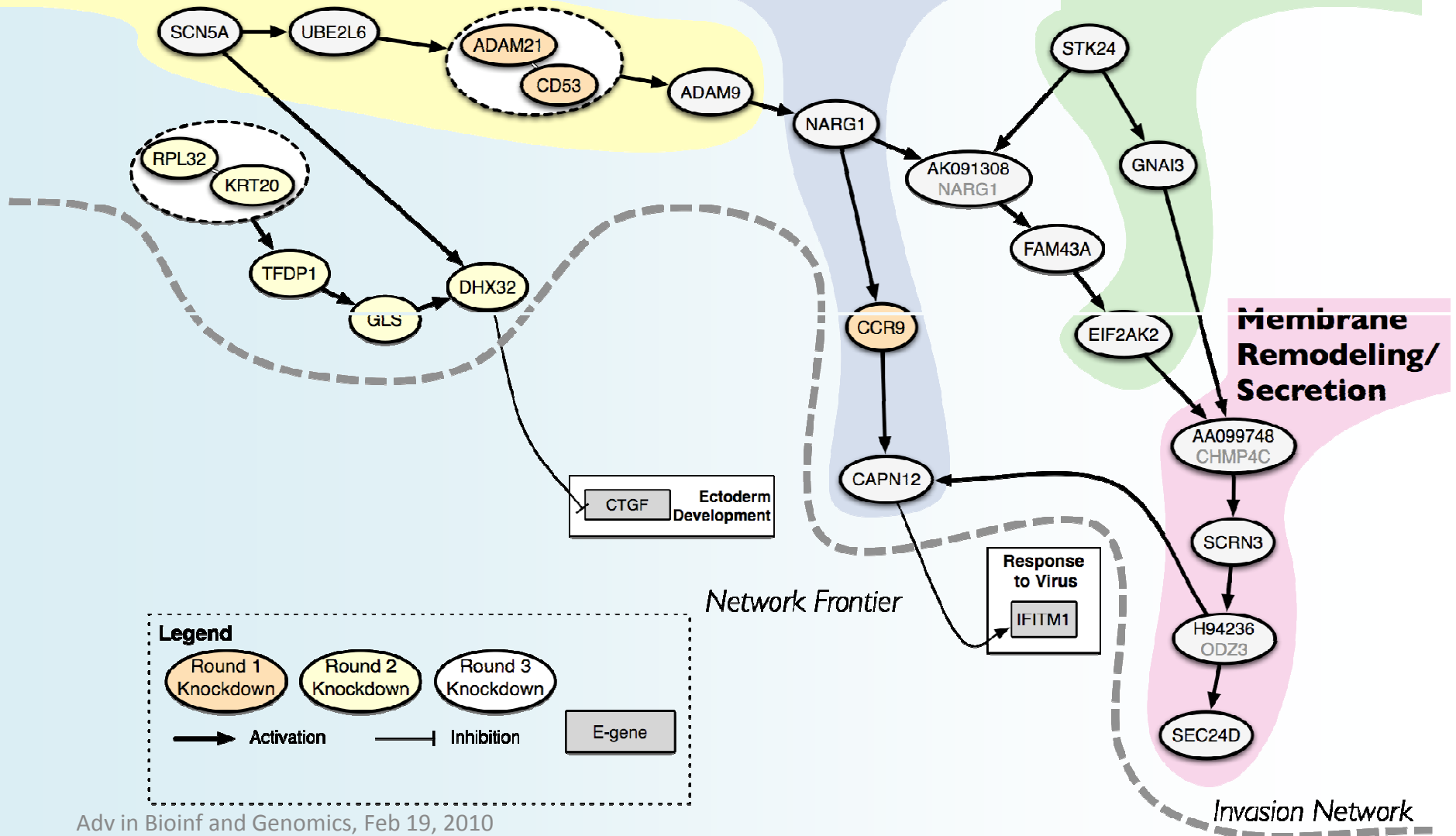


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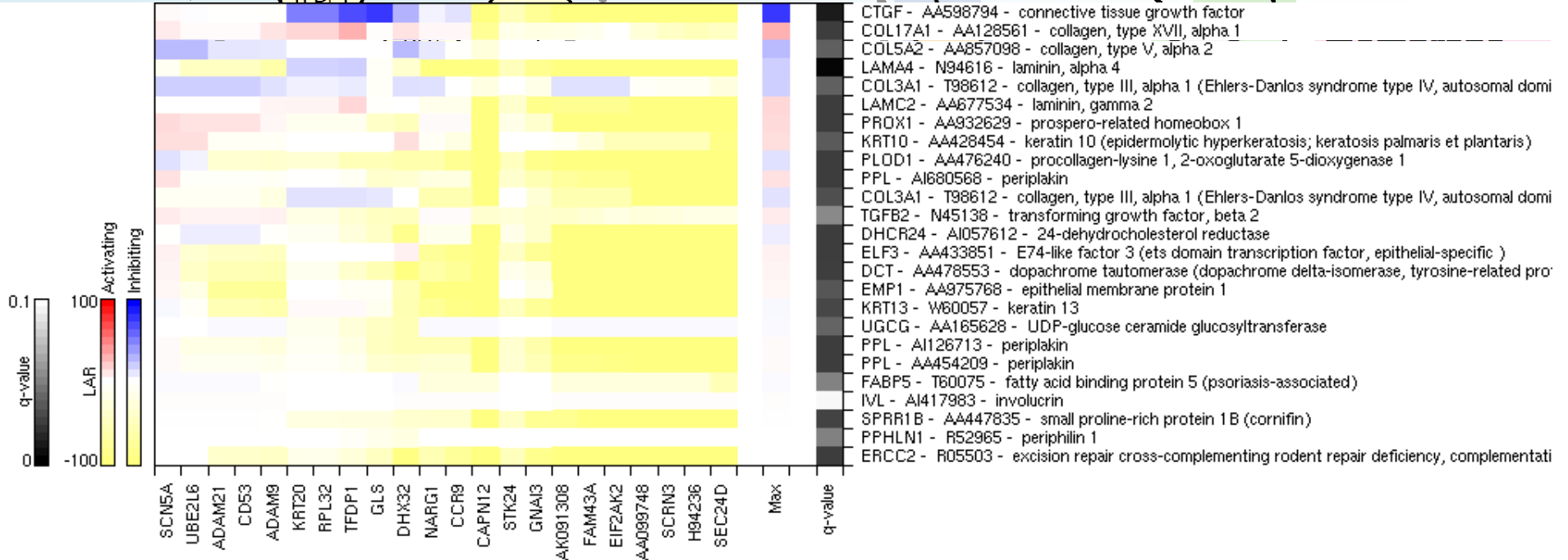
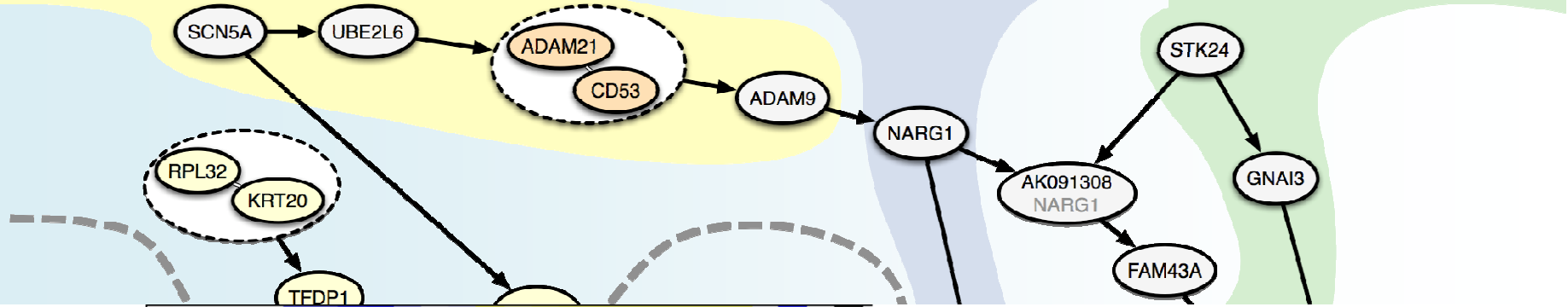


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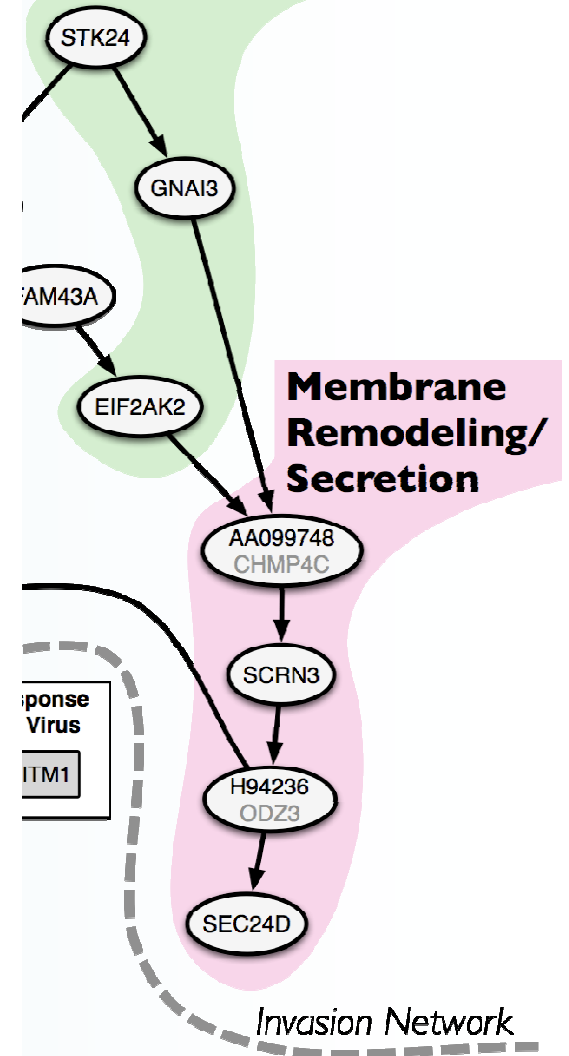
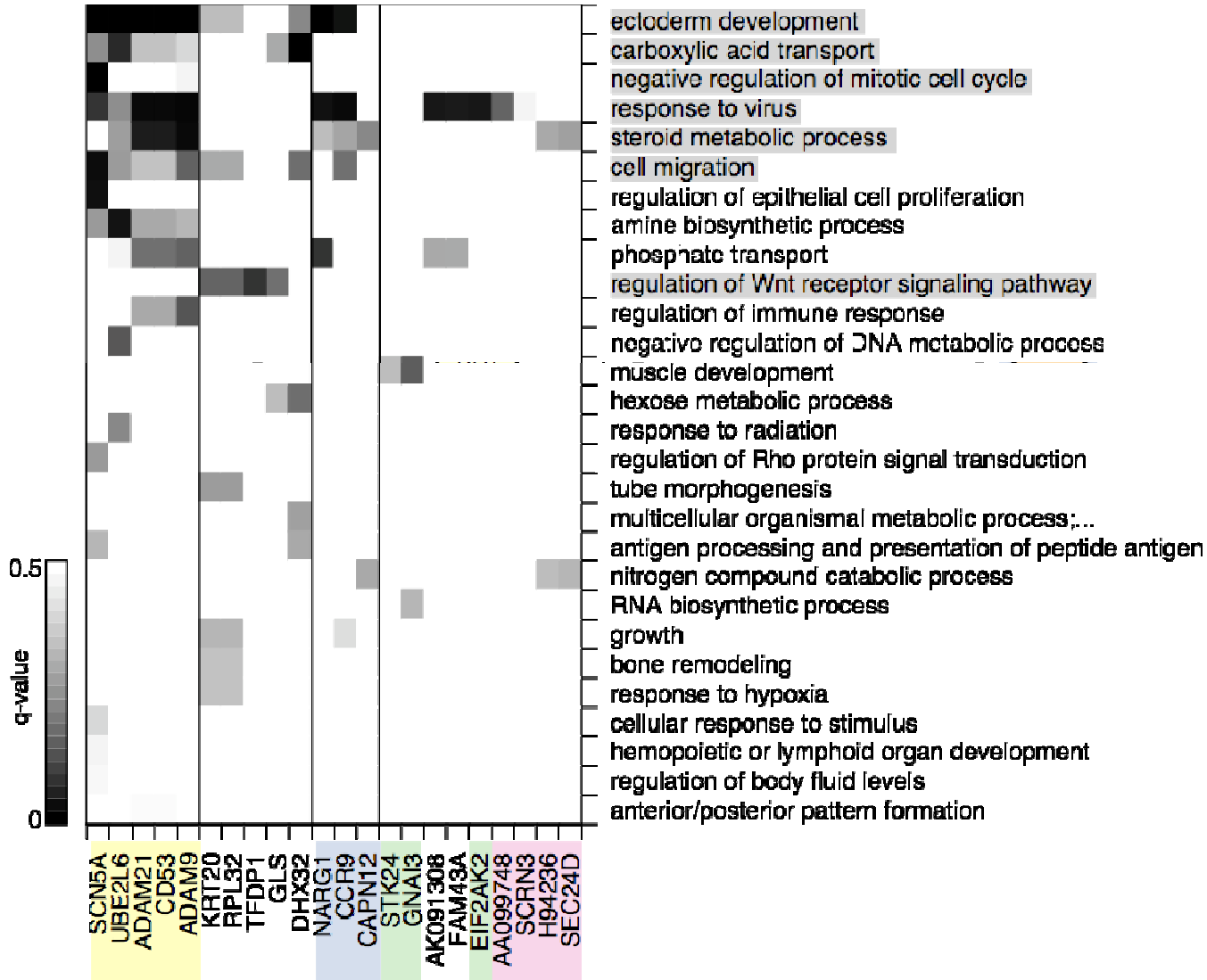


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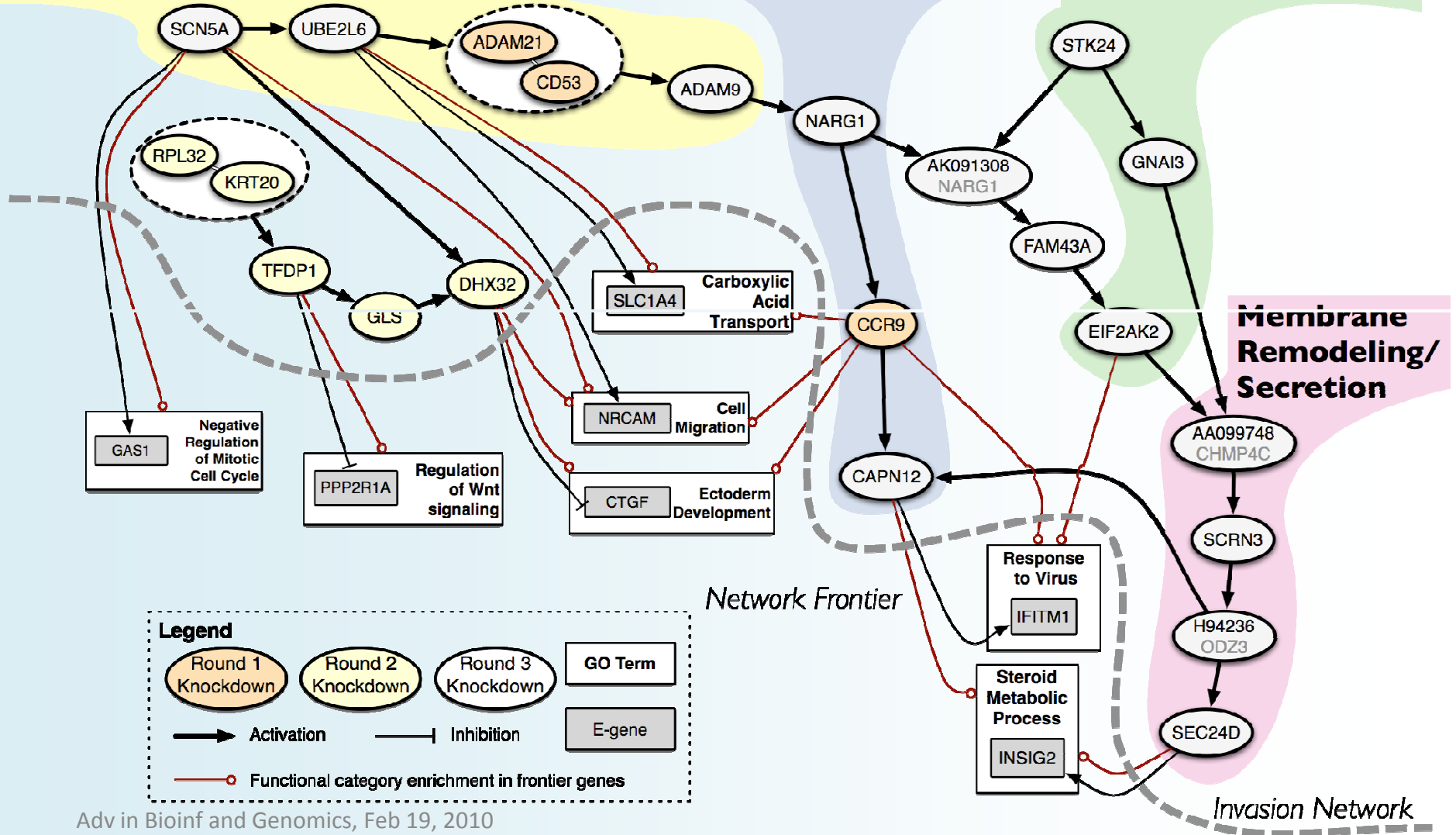


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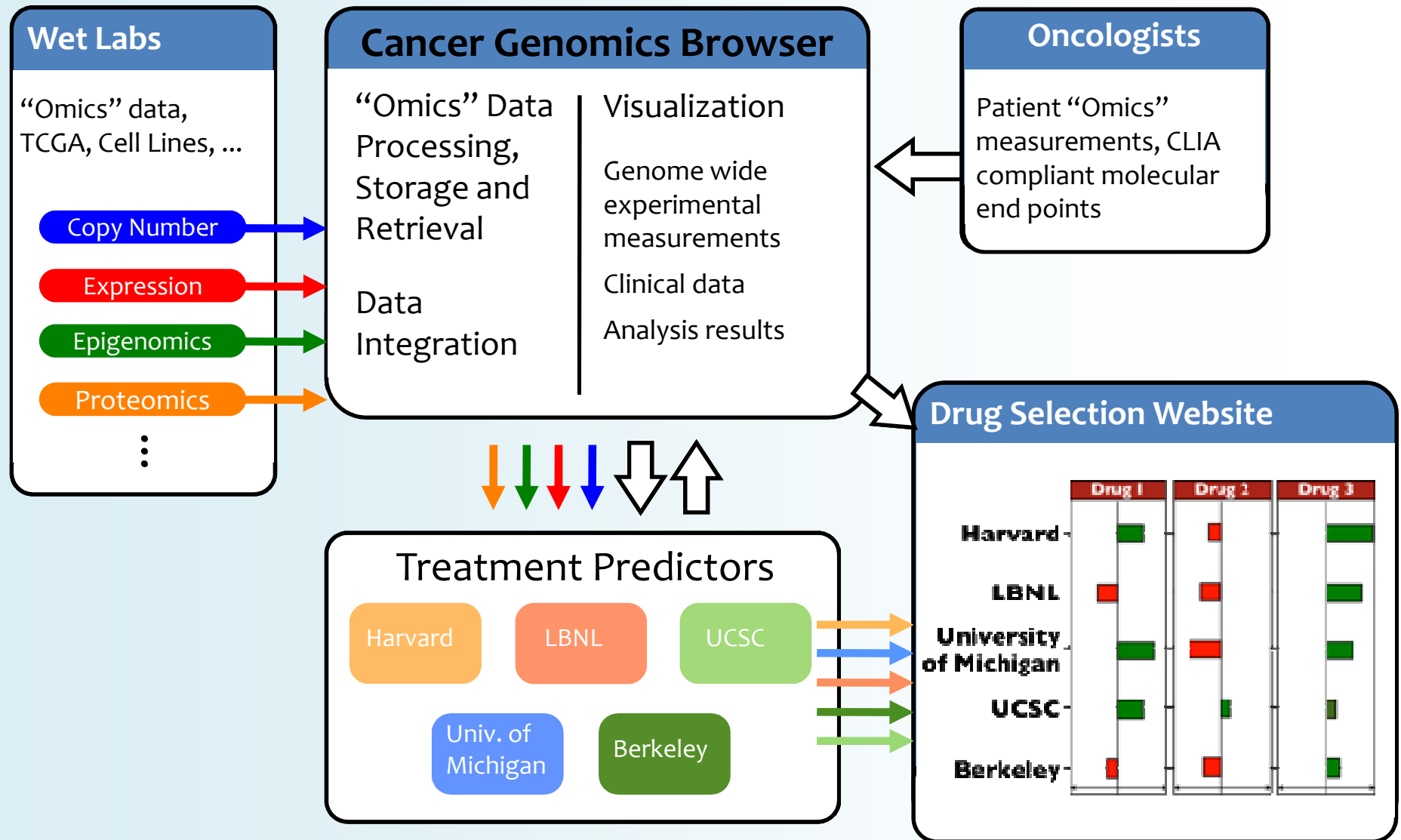
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# Summary

- KO microarrays provide causal information
- Inferred pathways provide better framework for identifying new members compared to correlation
- Could use to identify new interactions
- Add *de novo* interactions to known
  - Measure increase in likelihood across patients
- Next steps will attempt to simulate KOs on pathways to predict good drug targets

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