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M1BI – Outils d'analyse des génomes

# Introduction au TP "analyse statistique de données de transcriptome issues de puces d'expression"

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# Dataset used in this course

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## Using RNA-seq to determine the transcriptional landscape and the hypoxic response of the pathogenic yeast *Candida parapsilosis*

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# Candida species

The most common cause of fungal infection worldwide

8-10% of hospital-acquired bloodstream

4 Candida species account for ~ 95% of Candida infections

- *C. albicans*: the most common causative agent
- *C. glabrata*: mainly non-pathogenic but high mortality rate when disseminate
- *C. tropicalis*: associated with neutropenia and malignancy
- *C. parapsilosis*: health issue for neonates, transplant recipients

## Phylogeny

The CUG codon Candida clade

Ser instead of a Leu

Two separate subclades for haploid and diploid

## Phenotypic variation

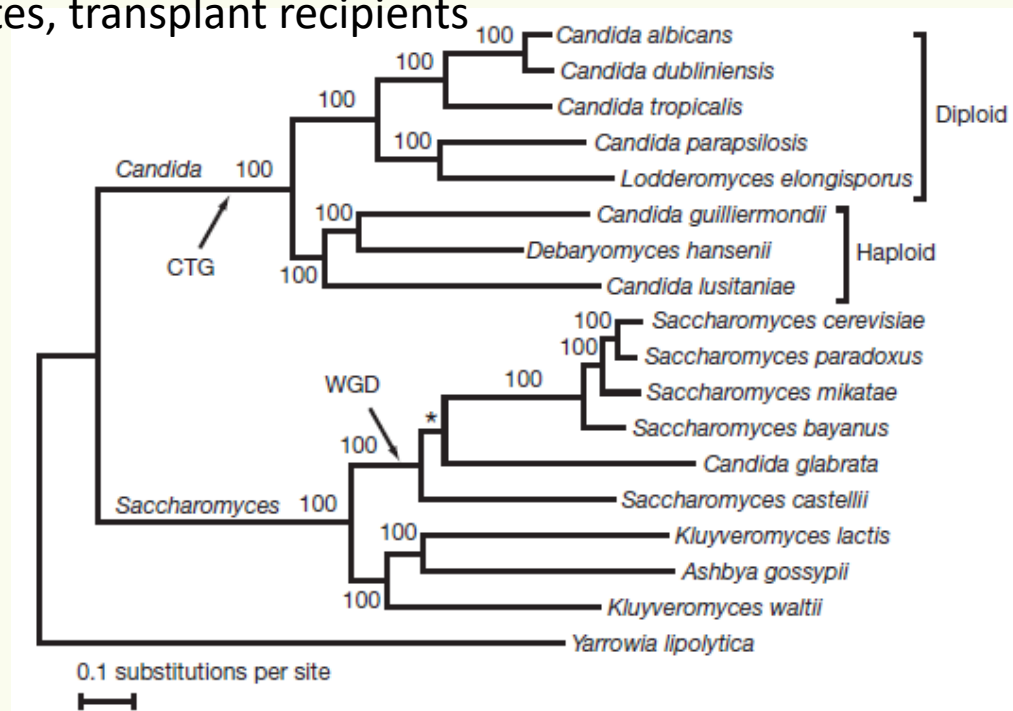
pathogenicity and mating

## Genomic features

Variable genomic size : 10.6 to 15.4 Mb

Similar number of protein-coding genes

High conservation of protein-coding genes across Candida CUG clade



# *Candida parapsilosis*

Pathogen responsible for bloodstream infections

specially in < 2 years old children

resistant to antifungal treatment's

## Genomic features

- Diploid
- Genome sequence published in 2009
- Candida databases:  
[http://www.broadinstitute.org/annotation/genome/candida\\_albicans/MultiHome.html](http://www.broadinstitute.org/annotation/genome/candida_albicans/MultiHome.html)  
<http://www.candidagenome.org/>
- Genome size: 13.1 Mb
- GC content: 38.7%
- Number of genes: 5,733
- Average gene size: 1,533 bp
- Intergenic average size: 752 bp
- 8 chromosomes: 2 annotations (“cpag” and “cpar”)
- No introns annotated

## Three groups on the basis of their mitochondrial DNA

- Group I: the “authentic” *C. parapsilosis*
- Groups II and III: *C. orthopsilosis* and *C. metapsilosis*

# Pathogenicity of *Candida parapsilosis*

## Polymorphic growth

- yeast growth (blastospores)
- filamentous growth (pseudo-hyphae) when invading host tissues

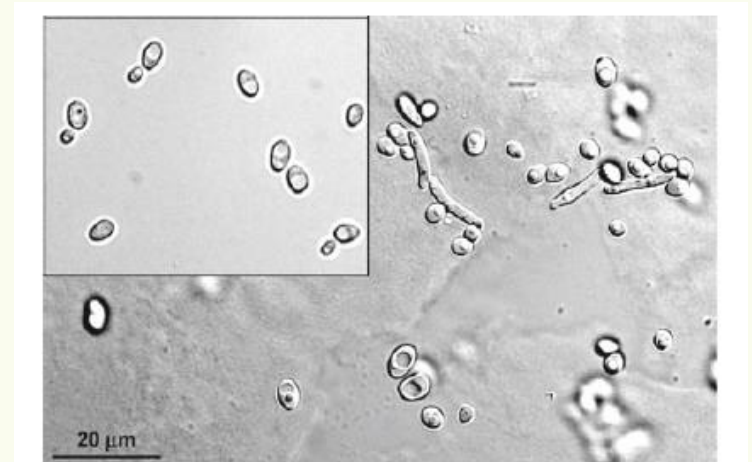
## Pathogenicity facilitated by the ability to:

### 1. Adhere to medical devices and/or host cells

- cell hydrophobicity
- presence of cell-wall proteins like adhesins
- hydrolytic enzymes secretion: proteases, phospholipases and haemolysins

### 2. Form biofilm

- Discontinuous monolayer or multilayer
- High level of carbohydrates and low levels of proteins
- Depends on the medium, pH
- **In conditions with low oxygen levels = hypoxia**



# The biological question

Determine how the transcriptome of *Candida parapsilosis* is modified under hypoxia conditions:

- to better explain its pathogenicity
- to help identify treatments against this infection

# Material and Methods selected for the course

1 WT strain

2 growth conditions in rich media (YDP) at 30°C:

normoxia  
oxygen : 21%

versus

hypoxia  
oxygen : 1%

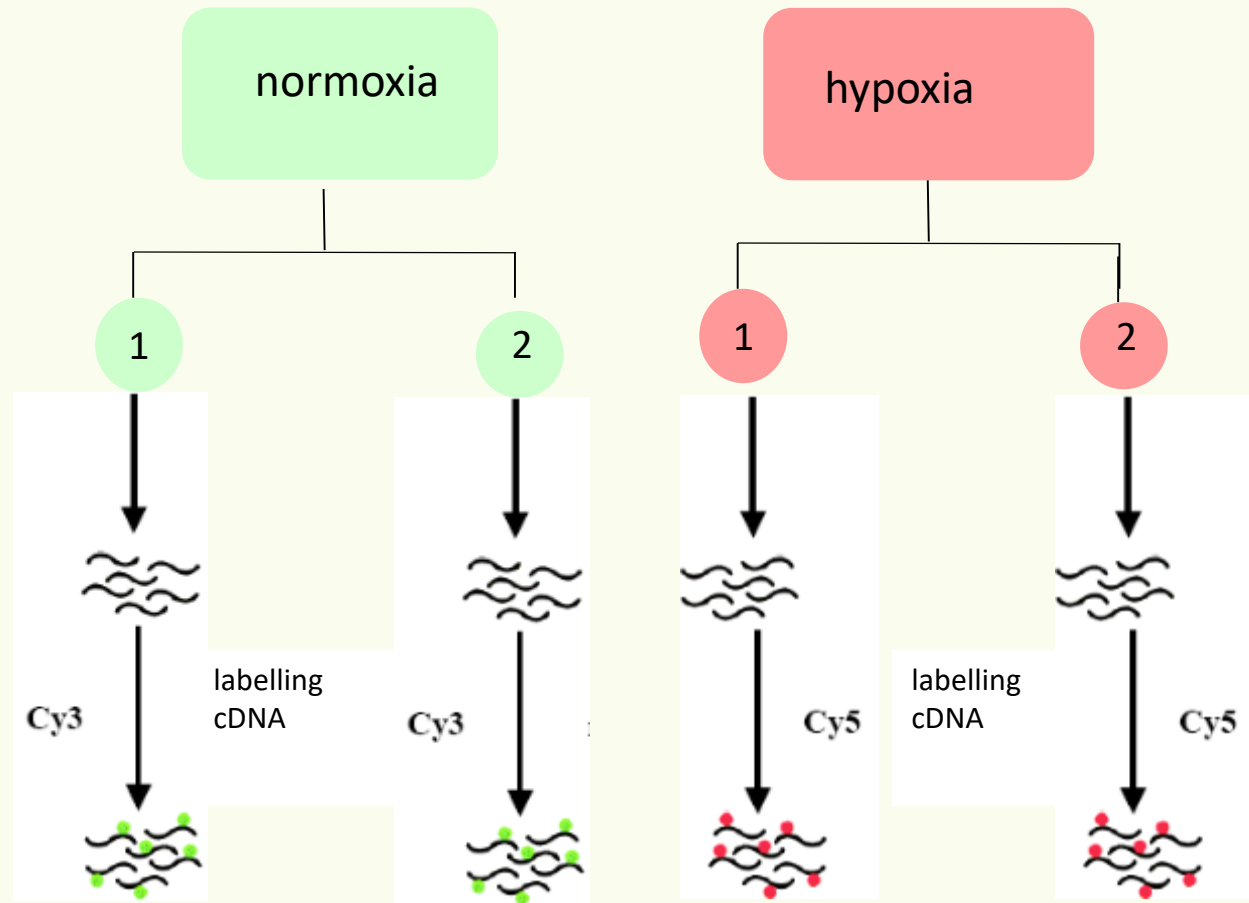
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## Expression arrays

*2 conditions*

*x 2 biological replicates*

= 4 samples processed





# Two-color spotted arrays

two colors = 2 samples are simultaneously hybridized

-> here N1 with H1, N1 with H2, N2 with H1 and N2 with H2 = 4 arrays

