

Title: A formalization of one of the main claims of “TDP-43 represses cryptic exon inclusion in FTD/ALS gene UNC13A” by Rosa Ma et al. 2021

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Abstract:

Rosa Ma et al. claimed in previous work that the protein TDP-43 represses cryptic exon inclusion in the gene UNC13A.. We present here a formalization of that claim, stating that all things of class “TAR DNA binding protein” that are in the context of a thing of class “UNC13A” generally have a relation of type “inhibits” to a thing of class “inclusion of cryptic exon” in the same context.

1. Introduction

Rosa Ma et al. [1] state that “Here we show that TDP-43 represses a cryptic exon splicing event in UNC13A.”. We present here a formalization of the main scientific claim from this quote by using a semantic template called the super-pattern [2].

2. Formalization

Our formalization looks as follows:

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all ...”): [UNC13A](#)

SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type ...”): [TAR DNA binding protein](#)

QUALIFIER: [generally](#)

RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of [inhibits](#) type...”):

OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”): [inclusion of cryptic exon](#)

In the context class we use the “UNC13A” (Q18036664) class from Wikipedia. In subject class, we use the “TAR DNA binding protein” (Q21133247) from Wikidata. In the object class we used the “inclusion of cryptic exon” (VariO_0504) class from OBO ontology.

3. RDF Code

This is our formalization as a nanopublication in TriG format:

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@prefix this: <http://purl.org/np/RAXkuXJ4IK10Ai9F39_tOFDy6ewi7znau6QhUEXP4nPc> .
@prefix sub: <http://purl.org/np/RAXkuXJ4IK10Ai9F39_tOFDy6ewi7znau6QhUEXP4nPc#> .
@prefix np: <http://www.nanopub.org/nschema#> .
@prefix dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .
@prefix nt: <https://w3id.org/np/o/ntemplate/> .
@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix orcid: <https://orcid.org/> .
@prefix prov: <http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#> .
@prefix sp: <https://w3id.org/linkflows/superpattern/terms/> .

sub:Head {
  this: np:hasAssertion sub:assertion ;
  np:hasProvenance sub:provenance ;
  np:hasPublicationInfo sub:pubinfo ;
  a np:Nanopublication .
}
sub:assertion {
  sub:spi a <https://w3id.org/linkflows/superpattern/terms/SuperPatternInstance> ;
  rdfs:label "The protein TDP-43 represses cryptic exon inclusion in the gene UNC13A." ;
  sp:hasContextClass <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q18036664> ;
  sp:hasSubjectClass <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q21133247> ;
  sp:hasQualifier sp:generallyQualifier ;
  sp:hasRelation sp:inhibits ;
  sp:hasObjectClass <http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/VariO_0504> .
}
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  sub:activity a sp:FormalizationActivity ;
  prov:used sub:quote , <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.04.02.438213v1> ;
  prov:wasAssociatedWith orcid:0000-0003-2310-3013 .
  sub:assertion prov:wasGeneratedBy sub:activity .
  sub:quote prov:value "Here we show that TDP-43 represses a cryptic exon splicing event in UNC13A." ;
  prov:wasQuotedFrom <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.04.02.438213v1> .
}
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  npx:hasPublicKey
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    Kzy8AnMKNZ7tgd3KATKBLQiawisIxx0BFpxw50yA2spZhV2bEpdni9wUOGa1MG+0sK6bo2DnjxxxexA/wIDAQAB" ;
  npx:hasSignature
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  npx:hasSignatureTarget this: .
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  npx:introduces sub:spi ;
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  <http://purl.org/np/RAOGu9Lh0BD4tbIRB9RG6RGRA_ObDh75NTbIqaWgxxs8M> ;
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}
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