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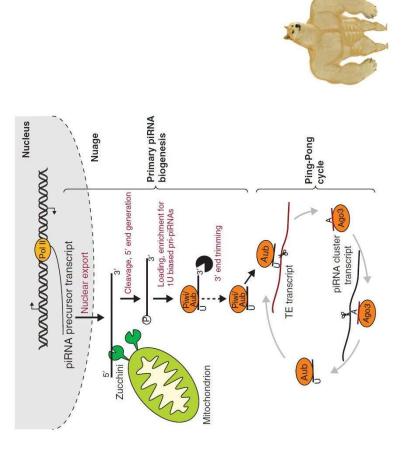




piRNA: PIWI-interacting RNA (PIWI: protein)

In germline cells: the main function results in the formation of a piRNA-PIWI silencing complex which inhibits the expression of transposons.

In somatic cells: unknown role.



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#### Introduction

Decreasing of piRNAs in cells derived from pluripotent cells' from Parkinson's disease patients.

Experience on animals having SLA or tauopathies: many increased and decreased transposable elements →piRNAs could be potential biomarkers for neurodegenerative disease.

Goal of the study: identify the impact of piRNAs in Parkinson's disease



length features. Somatic piRNAs show shorter and more evenly distributed lengths than germline piRNAs (Figure 6). According to the ping-pong cycle biogenesis pathway, tissues

diseases", respectively (Figure 5). However, the function of these sense-piRNAs genes in germline cells [17]. To our surprise, both brain tissue and testis tissue richment results for "Parkinson's disease" and "Pathways of Neurodegenerati

# Intro: Problématique, objectif de l'étude, contexte médical

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What is known: piRNAs in germline (cf intro known roles)

piRNAs are found in somatic cells but role is unclear

to be related to human intelligence, cognition, and neurodegeneration [33]. Theref example, L1 can induce mosaicism in the neural genome [32]; and Alu is hypothesi

In PD, it seems that piRNAs expression is different in brain tissues prefrontal cortex and amygdala

Role in PD and Neurodegenerative pathways? Function is indistinct.

Authors wanted to know role of piRNAs in PD

complementary [22,23]. In contrast, the piRNA biogenesis pathway in somatic cells sho in mammals. Many studies suggests somatic piRNAs exist and function in body reger a distinct process [24-26]; however, the details remain elusive and controversial, especia ation [26,27], cancer [28], embryonic development [29], and neural development [30]

# comparison piRNA expression between somatic and germline tissues

ared to controls [61]. In the study, SINE and LINE-derived piRNAs were d. In addition, two studies found different expression patterns of piRNAs in alarly through microglia [59,60]. A previous study indicated piRNAs were n neuronal cells derived from induced pluripotent stem cells of sporadic PD

ess, existing knowledge concerning piRNAs in PD remains obscure. Therefore, d be potential biomarkers for age-related neurodegenerative disease, including PD. No transposable elements in human AD tissues [63]. These results suggest that piRNA

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So how did they do to study the implication of piRNAs in somatic cells and in PD





piRNA features investigation (chromosome distribution, genomic context, length distribution, ping-pong cycle) - germline versus somatic cells S

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Comparative study between PD and control (differential expression analysis, gene enrichment analysis സ സ

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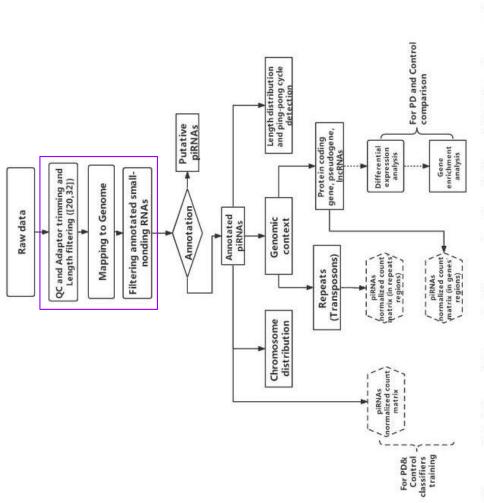


Figure 1. Workflow of this study. The raw data length filtered (20,32) is shown in brackets.

### Methods - Pre-processing

WorkFlow (2.1)

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#### détailler la partie surlignée?

#### 2.3. Pre-Processing and piRNAs Annotation

Sequenced raw data were adaptor trimmed and size filtered (20-32 nucleotides) by cutadapt (v2.8) [82]. We then aligned the processed sequencing data to leg38 Human Genome assembly [83] by bowtie (v1.2.3) [84] with one mismatch tolerance, and alignments with more than 50 distinct positions restrained. To filter other small non-coding RNAs (rRNAs, RRNAs, miRNAs, scaRNAs, snoRNAs, miscRNAs, scRNAs, sRNAs, and snRNA) in our datasets, we created an aggregated small non-coding RNA annotation file based upon UCSC [85]. RefSeq [86], Cencode [87], DASHR [88], and Ensemble databases and annotations [83]. We excluded reads aligned to these other small non-coding RNAs from further investigation. We used featureCounts (v2.0.0) [89] and piRNA annotation file download from piRbase [90] to annotate piRNAs in the remainder of the reads. The reads annotated by piRBase were considered as annotated piRNAs in our study. The general workflow of the study is shown below as Figure 1.

Table 1. Description of small RNA datasets curated for the analysis.

Tissue	Accession	Sample Size	Library Size
Testis	PRJNA196749	3	6.84-25.30 million
Sperm	PRJNA564759	102	0.36-1.63 million
Ovary	PRJNA272542	Note: 4 adult ovaries, 4 ovaries from 1st trimester embryos, 4 ovaries from 2st trimester embryos.	13.3-15.8 million
Dorsolateral Prefrontal Cortex (DLPFC)	PRJNA185476	+	6-12.25 million
Pancreas	PRJNA490335	8	12.2-12.5 million
Knee synovial tissues	PRJNA389258	10	8.39-17.21 million
Liver	PRJNA246372	4	5.83-40.70 million
Tissue	Accession	Sample Size	Library Size
Prefrontal cortex (PFC)	PRJNA295431 PRJNA272617	26 (Parkinson's disease) Note: including 17 Parkinson's disease (PD); 9 Parkinson's disease with dementia (PDD) 25 (Control)	6.09-33.40 million
Amygdala	PRJNA381204	14 (Parkinson's disease) Note: including 7 premotor stage; 7 motor stage 14 (Control)	13.5-17.7 million
Blood (extracellular vesicles)	PRJNA655240	9 (Parkinson's disease) Note: in each sample, both large (LEV) and small extracelluar vesclies (SEVs) were tested 6 (Control) Note: in each sample, both large (LEV) and small extracelluar vesciles (SEVs) were tested	2.37–30.7 million

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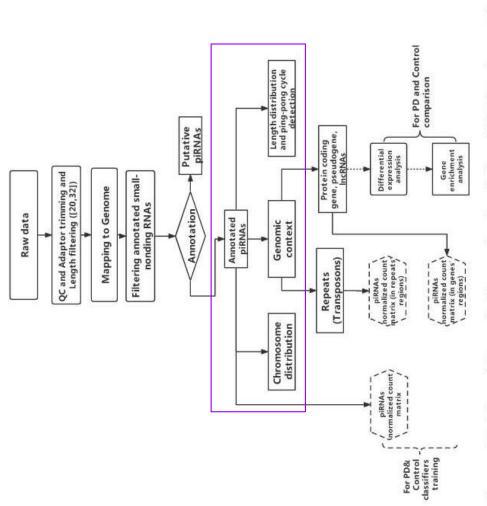


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## 3.1. piRNA Expression in Somatic Cells and Comparison to Germline Cell

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dorsal lateral pretrontal cortex (Figure 2G). The expression pattern of somatic pikNA types appears to be tissue-specific with a large proportion of different pikNAs in the germline (testis, sperm, and ovary) (Figure 2a-c) (Supplementary Figure S1), which suggests that somatic piRNAs might function differently than those from germline piRNAs.

Conclusion sur le fonctionnement

germinal immensément différent en comparaison par rapport au

somatique

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types among somatic (dorsolateral prefrontal cortex, prefrontal cortex, amygdala, pancreas, liver, and Figure 2. Venn plots of piRNAs identified from germline and somatic tissues. The number of piRNA knee synovial), germline tissues (testis, sperm, and ovary), and brain tissues (dorsolateral prefrontal cortex (DLPFC), prefrontal cortex (PFC), and amygdala) were compared. (a) Comparison between somatic and germline tissues. (b) Comparison between brain and germline tissues. (c) Comparison between different brain regions.

DLPFC

Amygdala

extracting and identifying piRNAs from next generation sequencing (NGS) datasets. The tissue to the testis and ovaries. The total number of piRNAs identified from the testis, ovary, design and sequencing depth with others, piRNAs were considered expressed if reads were >2 in all samples or reads > 5 in 50% of samples, while for other tissues, the standard was reads > 2 in all samples or reads > 10 in 50%. We first compared piRNAs from somatic pipeline is shown in (Figure 1). As the ovarian tissue dataset has a different experimental

somatic RNAs [102]. There were 49 common piRNAs between tissues studied, 51 between and somatic tissue were 19981, 6363, and 902, respectively (Figure 2a). Consistent with previous studies, we identified a large number of testis piRNAs and a small number of

previous studies, we identified a large number of testis piKNAs and a small number of somatic RNAs [102]. There were 49 common piRNAs between tissues studied, 51 between somatic and testis tissues, and 312 between somatic and ovaries, representing >30% of all somatic piRNAs. When the brain piRNAs were considered, the total number of piRNAs were 527 (Figure 2b). There was a dramatic reduction in piRNAs overlapping with testis, 3 Beaucoup moins de partage de PiRNA entre testis/brain que ovaire/brain /!\ => warning, somatic c'est pas glorieux non plus, ça se superpose +/-

were 62. (ragure 20), there was a maniata returned in provess overlapping with tests), a in total, while 208 overlapped with ovaries. When we further compared brain regions, we observed that piRNAs were widely dispersed between the amygdala, prefrontal cortex, and dorsal lateral prefrontal cortex. (Figure 2c). The expression pattern of somatic piRNA types

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Knee synovial

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observed in somatic tissue; however, there appears to be piRNA loci, such as chromosome 4 for ovary, 1 for brain tissues, liver, and pancreas, and 11 for liver (Figure 3a). Somatic piRNAs also show a high mitochondrial chromosome alignment rate among all three brain tissues studied and the liver in contrast to germline tissues (Figure 3b).











piRNA fonctionnent avec transposons normalement? on voulu vérifier si ça se passait pas correctement dans l'un des deux, PAF ça ne semble pas fonctionner normalement dans les deux en même temps => RIP

piRNAs. We unexpectedly detected a lower percentage (~20%) of piRNAs aligned to To determine whether somatic piRNAs were functioning via the well-established transposon suppressing pathway, we identified the transposon sequences aligned to the or in both comotio ticourse

transposon suppressing pathway, we identified the transposon sequences aligned to the transposon sequences in both somatic tissues and germline tissues (Figure 4a). This lower piRNAs. We unexpectedly detected a lower percentage (~20%) of piRNAs aligned to percentage in germline was also found by other studies [103,104]. Unlike other tissues,

stranded. Considering the prevalent model related to piRNA-guided transposon silen amygdala and germline piRNAs contain more reverse-stranded repeat transposons

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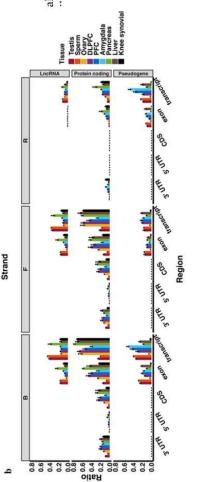
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where the PIWI-piRNA complex interacts with a nascent transposon transcript, a higher a vital function in both amygdala and germline tissues. In LINE-alignment piRNAs, somatic reverse-stranded piRNA percentage might indicate that repressing transposon expression is a vital function in both amygdala and germline tissues. In LINE-alignment piRNAs, somatic and ovarian piRNAs show a reverse-stranded preference, while testis and sperm piRNAs present the opposite. However, testis piRNAs show a reverse-stranded preference in SINEalignment piRNAs, while somatic piRNAs are just the opposite (Figure 4a). Because LINE and SINE might have different impacts in somatic and germline tissues, their alignedreverse-stranded piRNA percentage might indicate that repressing transposon express

LINE/SINE = rétro transposons! Je percute pas comment Is différencient preferebce reverse stranded

siRNAs might have varying regulatory functions.

B=both? R = reverse F= forward



We also identified many piRNAs aligned to pseudogenes, which is more evident in testis and sperm tissue as their lower protein-coding gene alignment rate (Figure 4b).

A recent study suggested that some pseudogene-derived piRNAs have the potential to target and regulate their cognate protein-coding genes [106]. A more detailed study might

We observed that testis and sperm piRNAs showed a higher percentage of IncRNA-alignment (Figure 4b). These are mainly mammalian pachytene piRNAs, which are primar-

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phenomenon is partly contributed by some coding-gene (~25%) containing transposon sequences in the 3'UTR [105]. Some studies demonstrated that these genes have the potential to be controlled by PIWI and transposon-derived piRNA complex [106], but it is more libely that these are more protein-coding-derived niRNAs that some seems more protein-coding-derived niRNAs that some seems more protein-coding-derived niRNAs that some seems more protein-coding-derived niRNAs that some seems.

sequences in the 3'UTR [105]. Some studies demonstrated that these genes have the potential to be controlled by PIWI and transposon-derived piRNA complex [106], but it is more likely that there are more protein-coding-derived piRNAs that exist across tissues.

Currently the detailed function of coding-protein-derived piRNAs remains unknown.

L'enrichissement KEGG (Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes) est une méthode

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d'analyse bioinformatique utilisée pour interpréter des ensembles de gènes ou de protéines en fonction de leur pertinence dans des voies biologiques spécifiques. KEGG est une base de données qui catalogue les informations sur les voies métaboliques, les fonctions cellulaires, les maladies et d'autres aspects liés aux gènes et aux protéines.

Le processus d'enrichissement KEGG implique généralement les étapes suivantes :

- Identification des gènes d'intérêt: Vous avez un ensemble de gènes ou de protéines que vous souhaitez analyser, par exemple, ceux qui sont différentiellement exprimés dans une expérience particulière.
- 2. Comparaison avec la base de données KEGG: Les gènes ou protéines d'intérêt sont comparés à la base de données KEGG pour déterminer quels gènes appartiennent à quelles voies biologiques ou processus.

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- Évaluation de l'enrichissement: On évalue si certains termes KEGG (voies métaboliques, fonctions cellulaires, etc.) sont sur-représentés parmi les gènes ou protéines d'intérêt par rapport à ce qui serait attendu au hasard.
- 4. Interprétation biologique: Les résultats de l'analyse d'enrichissement KEGG permettent d'interpréter biologiquement les données en mettant en évidence les voies biologiques ou les processus cellulaires qui sont pertinents pour le jeu de gènes ou de protéines.

Cela peut être particulièrement utile dans le domaine de la génomique fonctionnelle pour comprendre les processus biologiques sous-jacents à des expériences génétiques ou à des jeux de données d'expression génique. L'enrichissement KEGG fournit une perspective contextuelle en reliant les gènes ou protéines à des voies biologiques spécifiques, facilitant ainsi l'interprétation biologique des résultats expérimentaux.

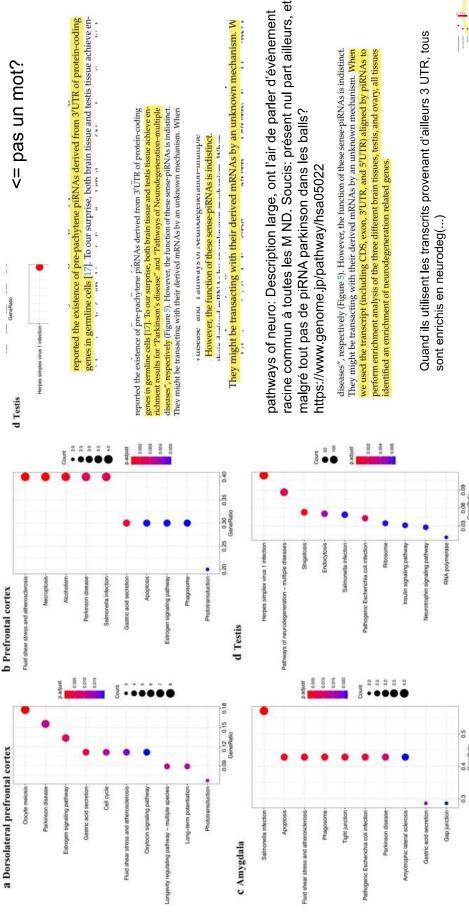
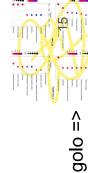
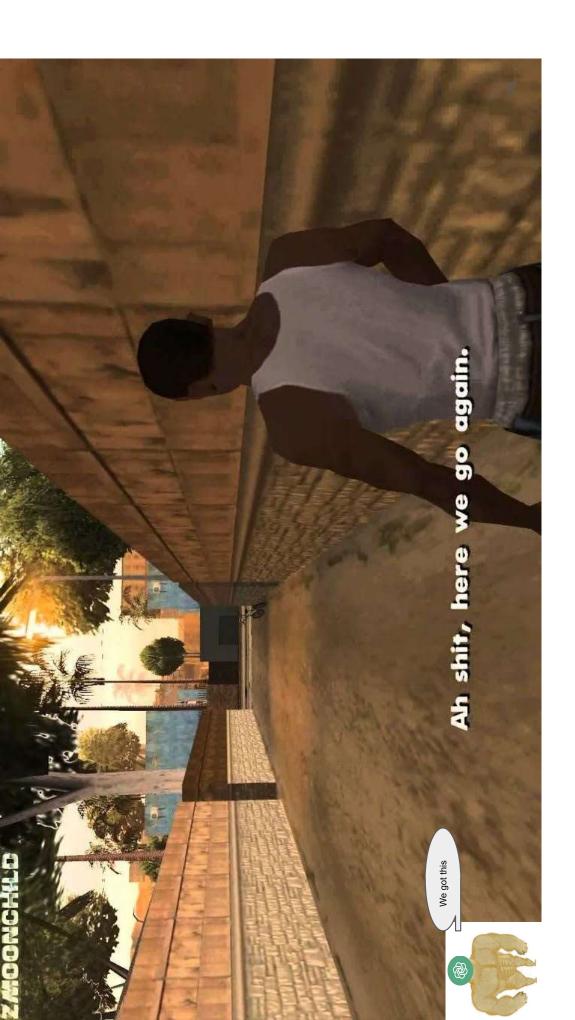


Figure 5. KEGG enrichment results for 3'UTR-piRNA alignment genes. KEGG enrichment analysis with protein-coding genes containing 3'UTR aligned by annotated piRNAs in brain tissues (a-c) and testis tissue (d). Gene ratio = Gene number in query list (piRNAs aligned in gene list)/Total gene number of specific pathway in database.





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souvent associé à la biogenèse des piARN (petits ARN interférents). Les piARN sont des Ah, d'accord, je vois où tu veux en venir. En génétique, le terme "cycle ping-pong" est molécules d'ARN qui jouent un rôle dans la régulation de l'expression génique,

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> appelées piARN guides et piARN associés. Ces deux types de piARN interagissent avec des Le cycle ping-pong des piARN implique une interaction entre deux populations de piARN, s'associe à une protéine Argonaute et cible spécifiquement un ARNm complémentaire, protéines impliquées dans le processus. Le cycle commence par le piARN guide qui entraînant la dégradation de l'ARNm cible.

séquence complémentaire, créant ainsi un "ping-pong" d'interactions entre les piARN guide à une protéine Argonaute. Ce piARN associé peut à son tour cibler d'autres ARNm avec une Ensuite, le piARN associé, qui est produit à partir de l'ARNm cible dégradé, se lie également et associés.

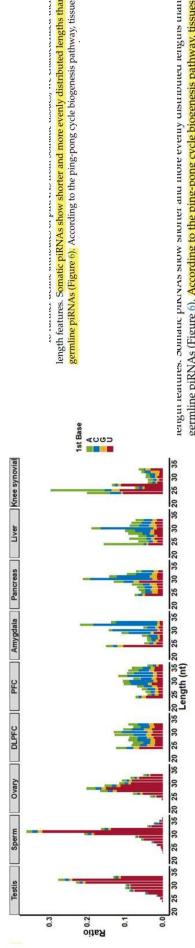
Ce cycle ping-pong permet d'amplifier la réponse silencieuse de l'ARNm, renforçant ainsi la régulation post-transcriptionnelle. C'est une sorte de mécanisme de défense cellulaire contre les éléments génétiques mobiles et peut également jouer un rôle dans d'autres processus biologiques.

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#### ping pong time



germline piRNAs (Figure 6). According to the ping-pong cycle biogenesis pathway, tissues

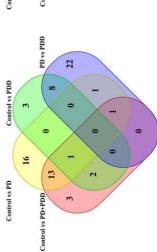
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evidence of ping-pong cycle biogenesis in somatic tissues based upon the distribution of germline piRNAs (Figure 6). According to the ping-pong cycle biogenesis pathway, tissues reads with specific length/base to total annotated piRNAs reads in that tissue. Colors repran A nucleotide bias at the 10th position. We found these attributes in testis, sperm, and mapped reads (Figure 6). We further confirmed this with an algorithm, pingpongpro [108], Figure 6. The length distribution of annotated piRNAs. The y-axis represents the ratio cwith significant ping-pong cycle signals synthesize piRNAs, which possess a 5'U bias and ovary derived piRNAs from our analysis pipeline. However, we were not able to uncover which also was not able to detect a ping-pong cycle signal in somatic tissues.

first base of annotated piRNAs.

Résumé: Si un tissu a un signal de synthèse de piRNA en mode ping pong ils ont tendance à avoir en 5' une base U et base A en 10th (?). C'est le cas en germinal, pas de pong-pong en somatique en revanche

# 3.2. piRNAs in Parkinson's Disease



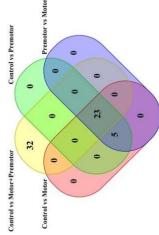


Figure 7. Venn plots of differently expressed piRNAs. Venn plots of differentially expressed piRNAs from prefrontal cortex (a) and amygdala (b). The Wilcoxon test was used to detect differently expressed piRNAs between different groups with p-value < 0.05. PD: Parkinson's disease; PDD: Parkinson's disease dementia.

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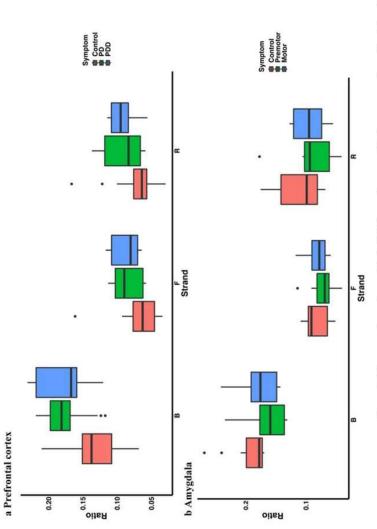
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We also found five piRNAs were differently expressed among the control, premotor stage PD, and motor stage PD in amygdala but not in the control vs. PD (premotor plus motor stage) (Figure 7b). Among these, piR-hsa-131693 is predicted to target MT-CO3 and MT-CO3P18, MT-CO3P18, MT-CO3P38, MT-CO3P38, MT-CO3P38, MT-CO3P3, MT-CO3P3, MT-CO3P12, MT-CO3P38, MT-CO3P38, MT-CO3P3, MT-CO3P3, and MT-CO3P22, and the expression of piR-has-131693 decreases as PD disease progresses in amygdala. In the prefrontal cortex, we also identified different piRNAs expression patterns in PD and PDD, although there were no significant enrichment results with their predicted target genes (Figure 7a). In PD SEVs, we found 17 differently expressed piRNAs, of which piRhsa-2435561 was predicted to target TANGO2 and piR, hsa-1516701 was predicted to target JAK3. In PD LEVs, two differently expressed piRNAs were detected with no specific predicted target genes.



but no significant difference between PD and PDD (Figure 8a). However, the transposon-derived piRNA expression difference between PD and control in amygdala is not significant

We observed a higher percentage of transposon-derived piRNAs in the PD group in the prefrontal cortex (control vs. PD, control vs. PDD, control vs. PD plus PDD), but no significant difference between PD and PDD (Figure 8a). However, the transposon-

Figure 8b). In contrast, piRNAs in PD showed higher pseudogene alignment in the prefrontal cortex (Figure 9a), where the different piRNA-aligned pseudogenes were HSP90AA1 and EEFIAL-related pseudogenes. Interestingly, these two genes have been reported as

Figure 8. The percentage of annotated piRNAs reads mapped to transposons in prefrontal cortex (a) and amygdala (b) Ratio = reads number mapped to transposons (or subtypes)/total annotated piRNAs reads number.

Pourcentage de piRNA mappé à des à des transposons (dérivé/dirigé vers?)