



# Network Data Analysis project

Human temporal cortical tissue samples with varying  
degree of Alzheimer's Disease (AD)-related  
neurofibrillary pathology

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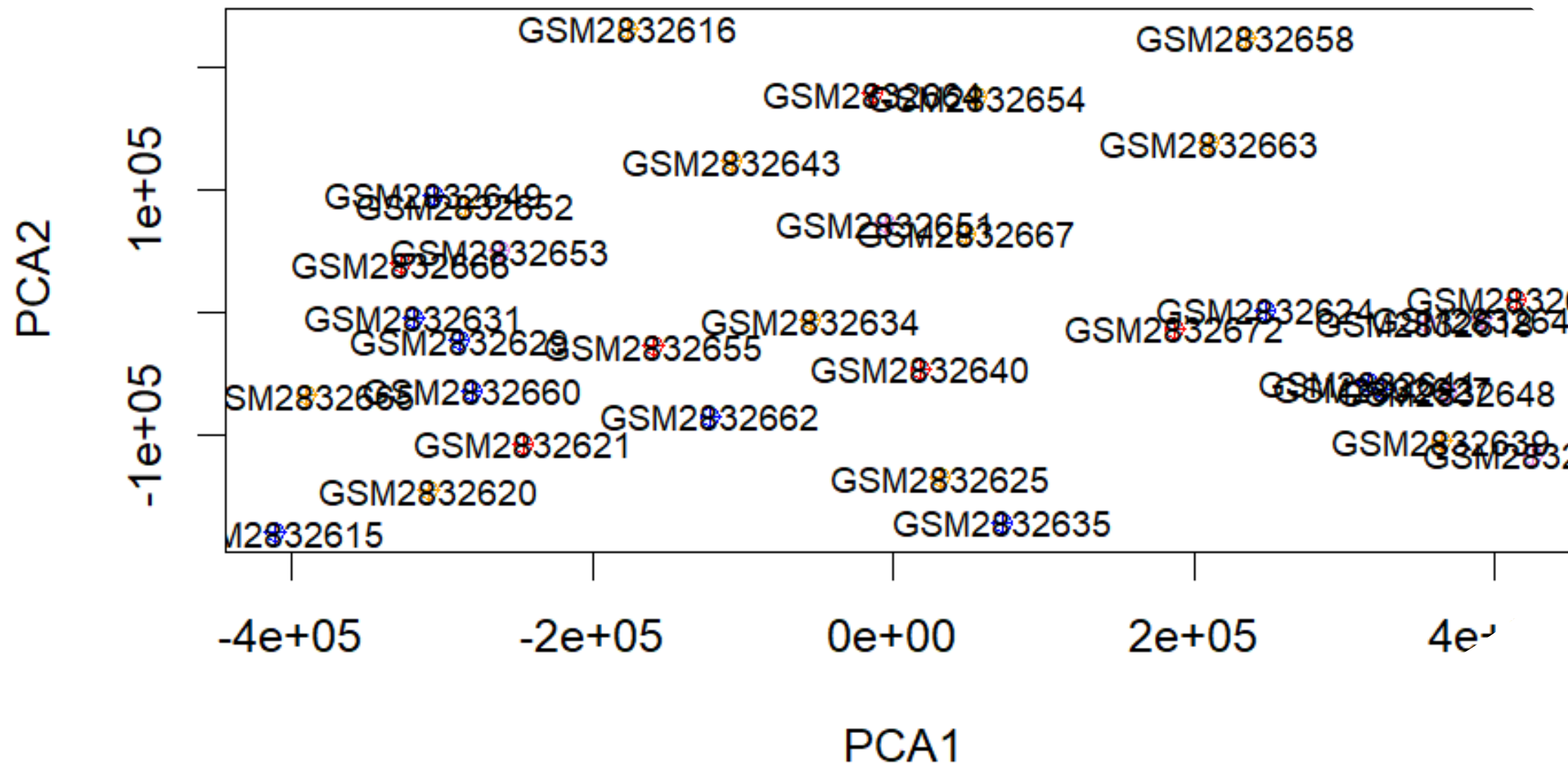
# Introduction

**Objective:** Analyze **GSE106241** dataset with 71 autopsied temporal cortical samples categorized into seven groups based on Braak's staging for Alzheimer's disease (AD)-related neurofibrillary pathology.

**Grouping:** Stages 0 and 1 combined as control group; stages 5 and 6 as affected group (19 affected, 16 control).

# PCA (Principal Component Analysis)

**PCA for components 1&2**



**Purpose:** Reduce dimensionality of gene expression data.

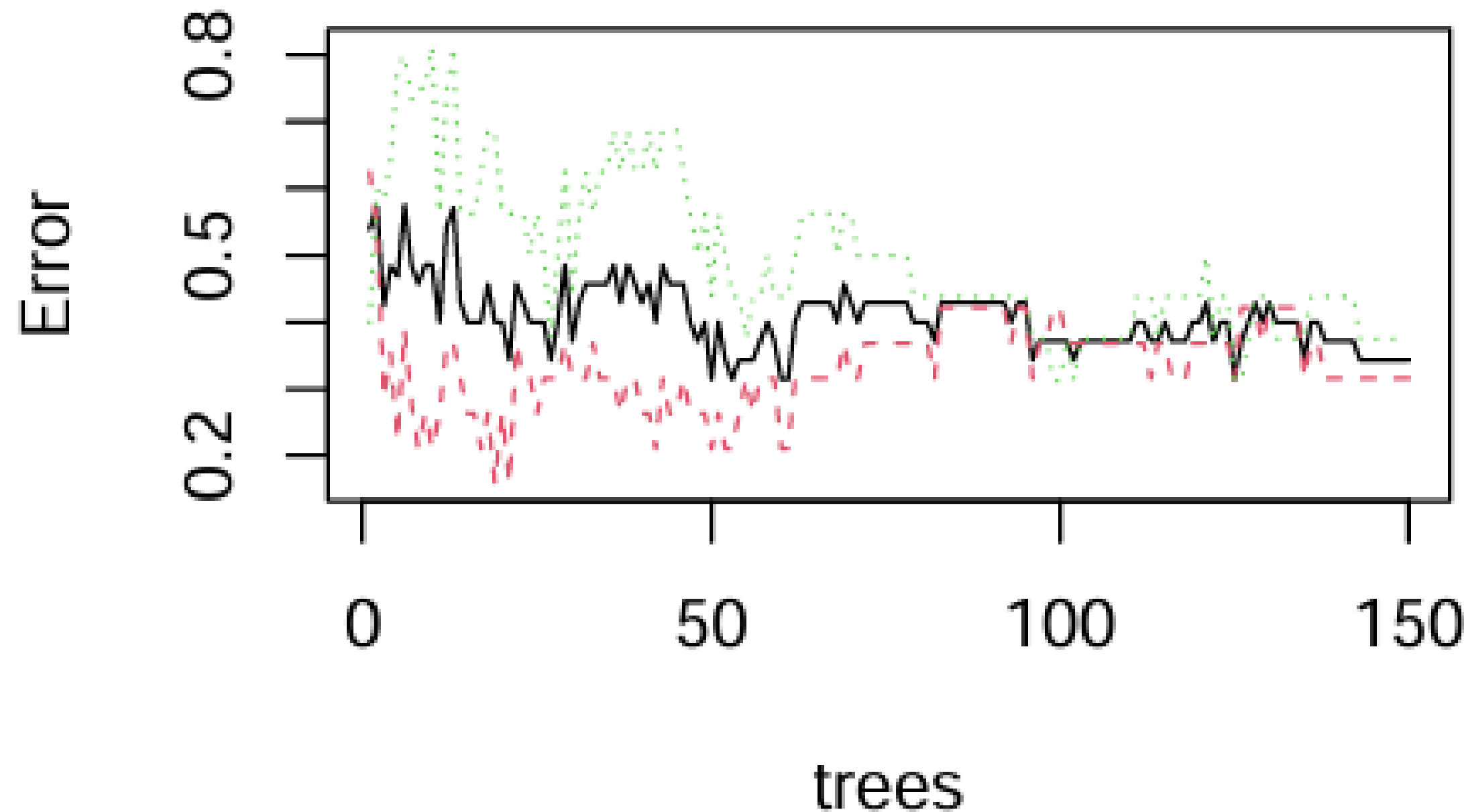
**Outcome:** Mixed colors without clear separation between groups. suggest less distinction between the stages based on the data captured by PCA1 and PCA2.

## **Advantages:**

- Reduces collinearity
- Simplifies analysis with fewer variables
- Enhances visualization
- Increases computational efficiency.

# Random Forest

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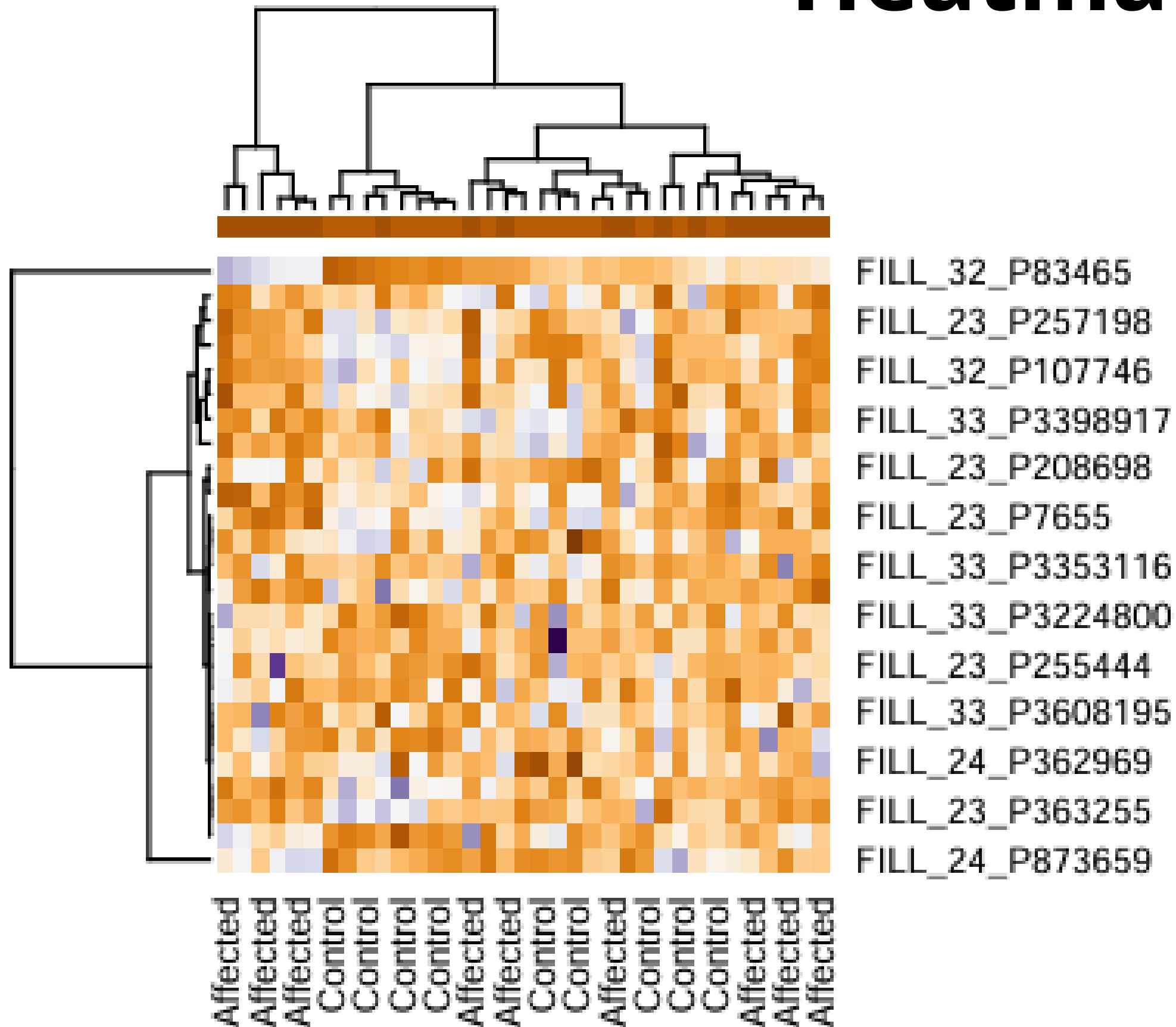


**Purpose:** Identify most important genes distinguishing 'Affected' and 'Control' groups.

**Outcome:** 150 trees provided stable error rate and good generalization. Identified 200 most important genes for further analysis.

- **Black Line:** OOB error rate.
- **Red Line:** Affected group
- **Green Line:** Control group

# Heatmap

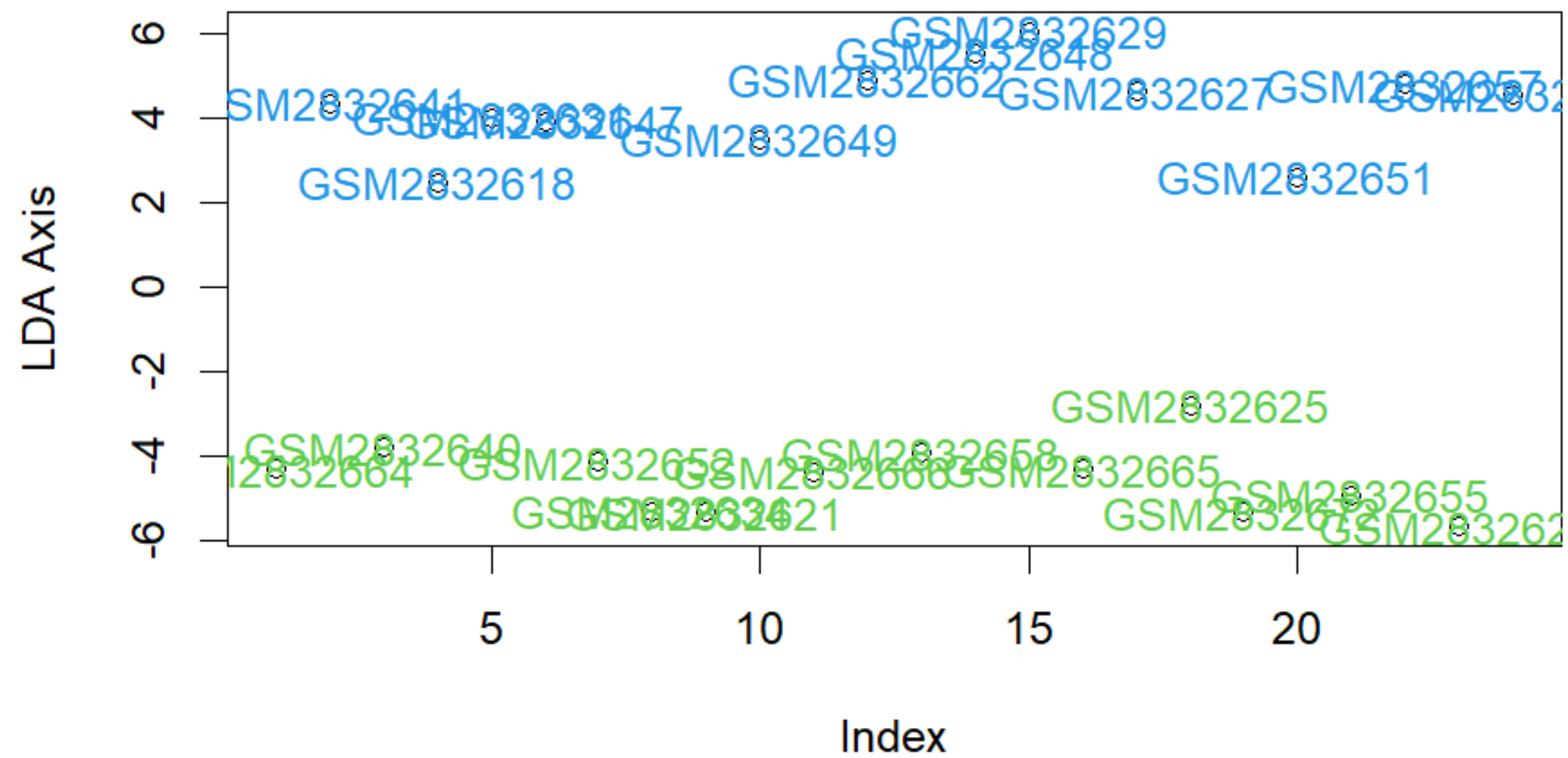


**Purpose:** Visualize differences in gene expression between two groups.

**Outcome:** Certain genes highly expressed in one group compared to the other.

Consistent expression patterns suggest distinct molecular profiles.

# LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis)



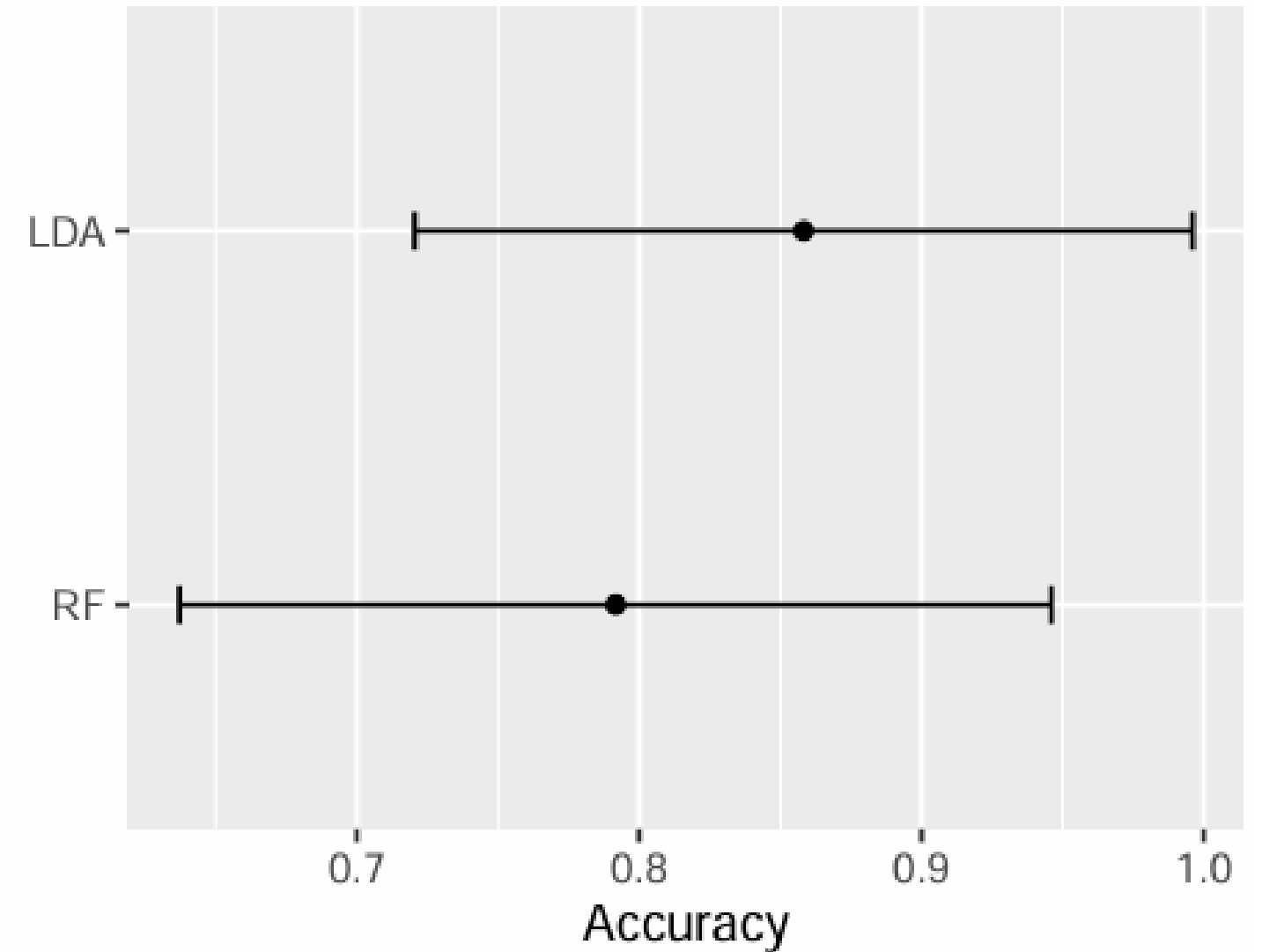
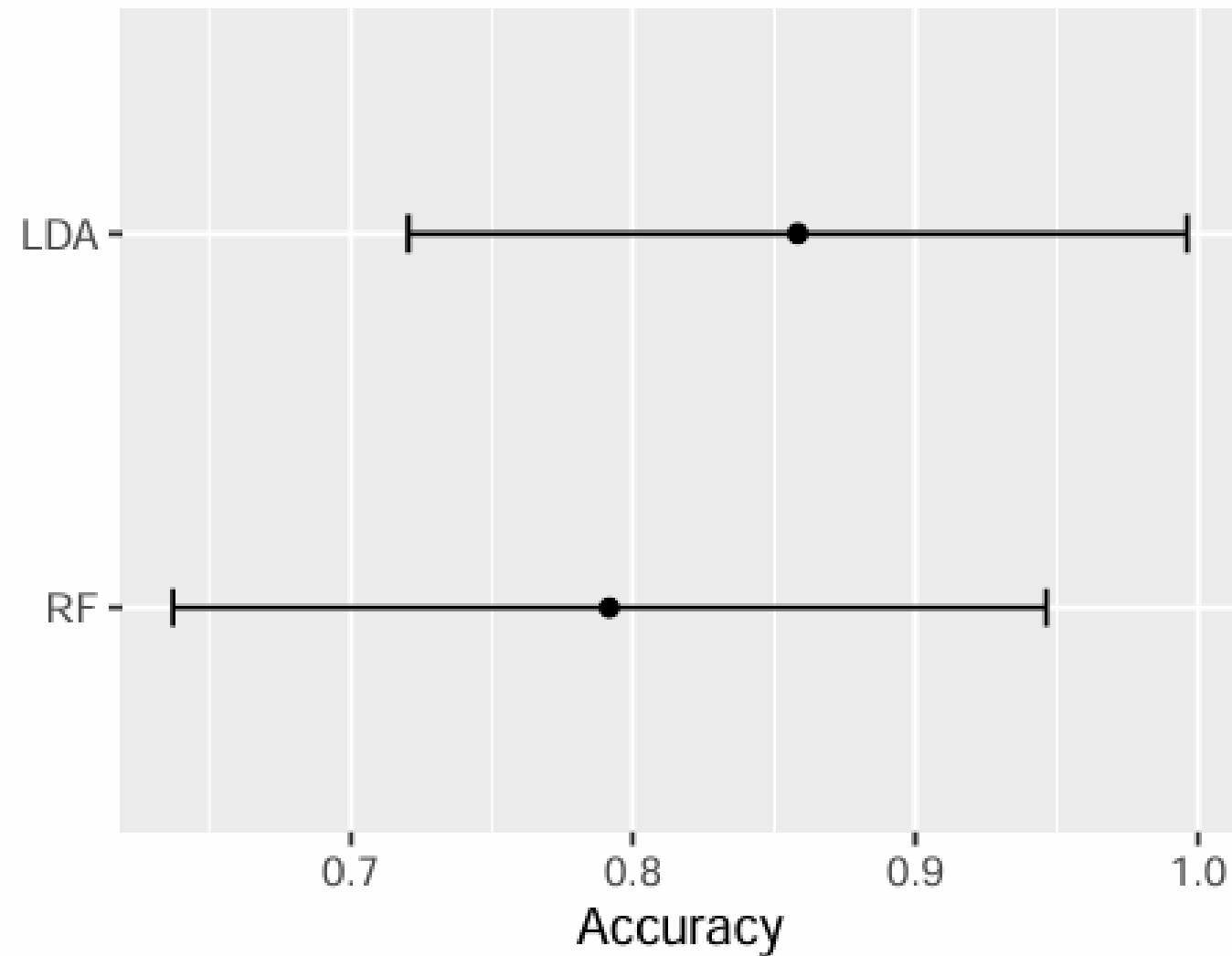
**Purpose:** Improve stability and interpretability by reducing collinearity.

**Outcome:** Excellent discriminating ability, no misclassification errors. Cross-validation required for robustness.

# Cross Validation

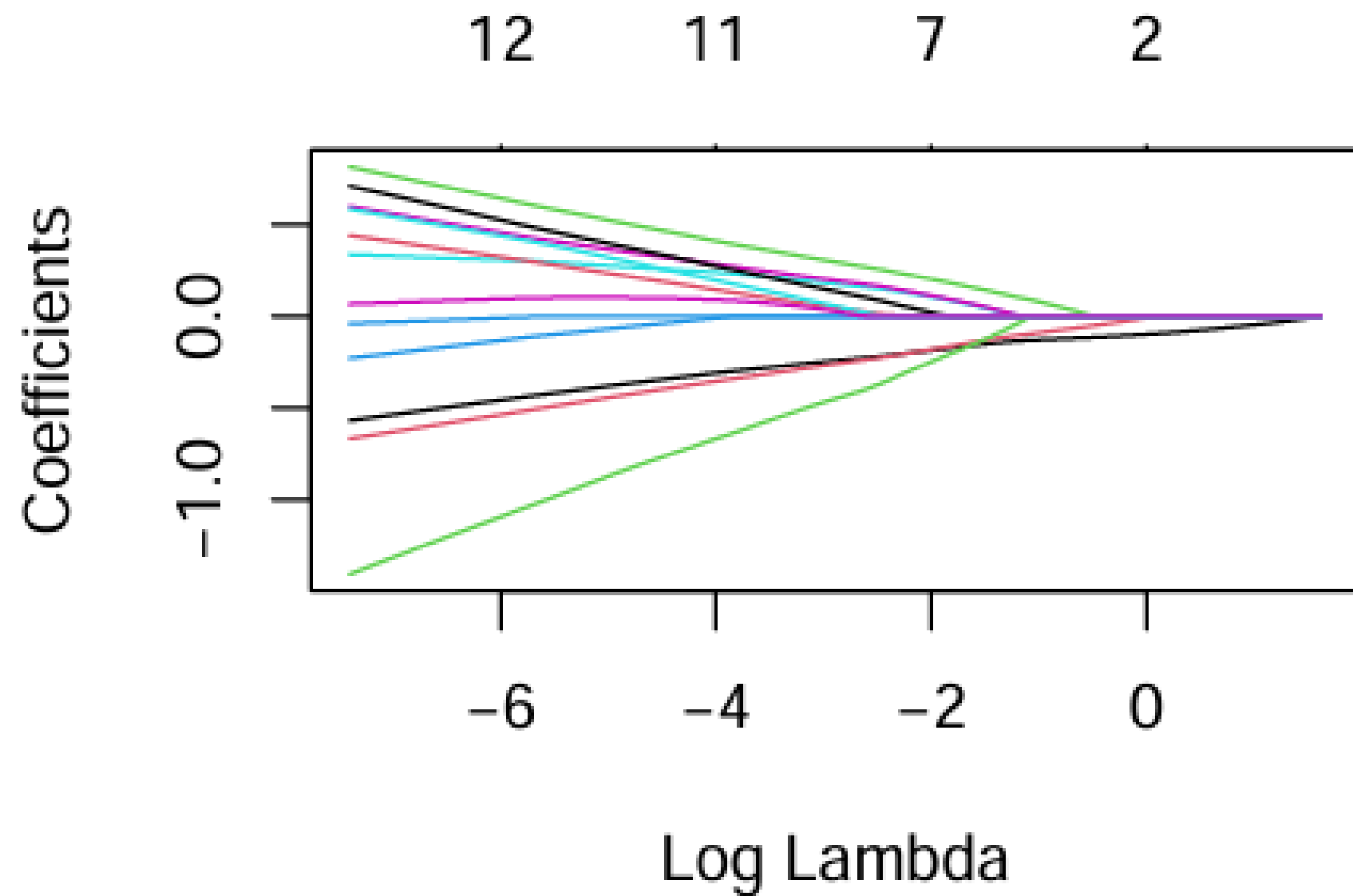
# Repeated Cross Validation

provides more reliable estimates of model performance

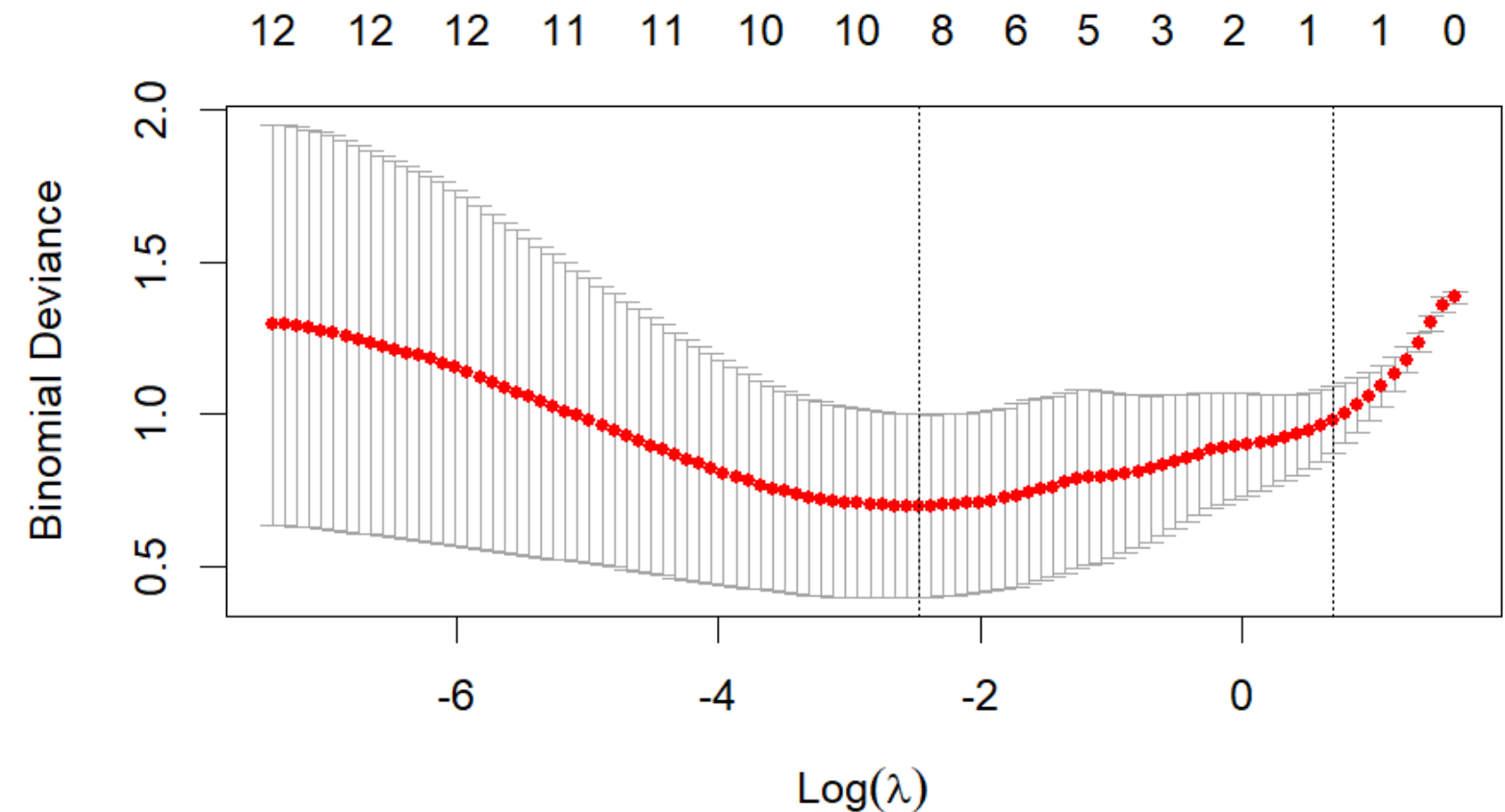


**Outcome:** Both LDA and RF models showed strong performance with high accuracy and consistent results across folds.

# Lasso model



The graph is used to observe how regularization ( $\lambda$ ) affects the coefficients of the variables in the Lasso model, helping to determine an optimal value of  $\lambda$  that balances the model's complexity and its predictive capability.

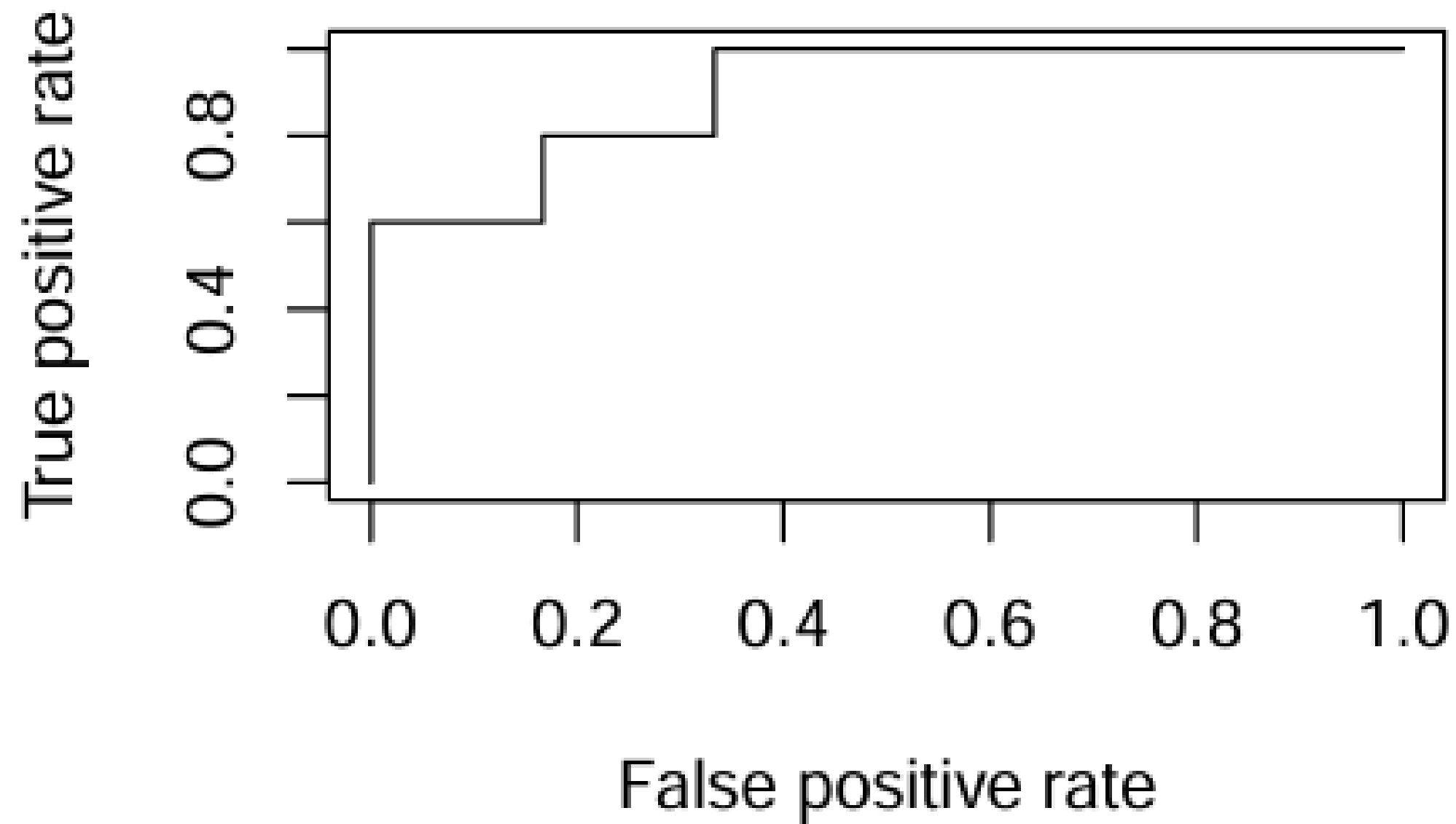


The graph shows binomial deviance versus the logarithm of the regularisation parameter ( $\log(\lambda)$ ) in a Lasso regression model. Red dots indicate deviance values and gray bars show confidence intervals. The optimal  $\lambda$  is chosen where deviance is lowest, balancing model simplicity and performance.



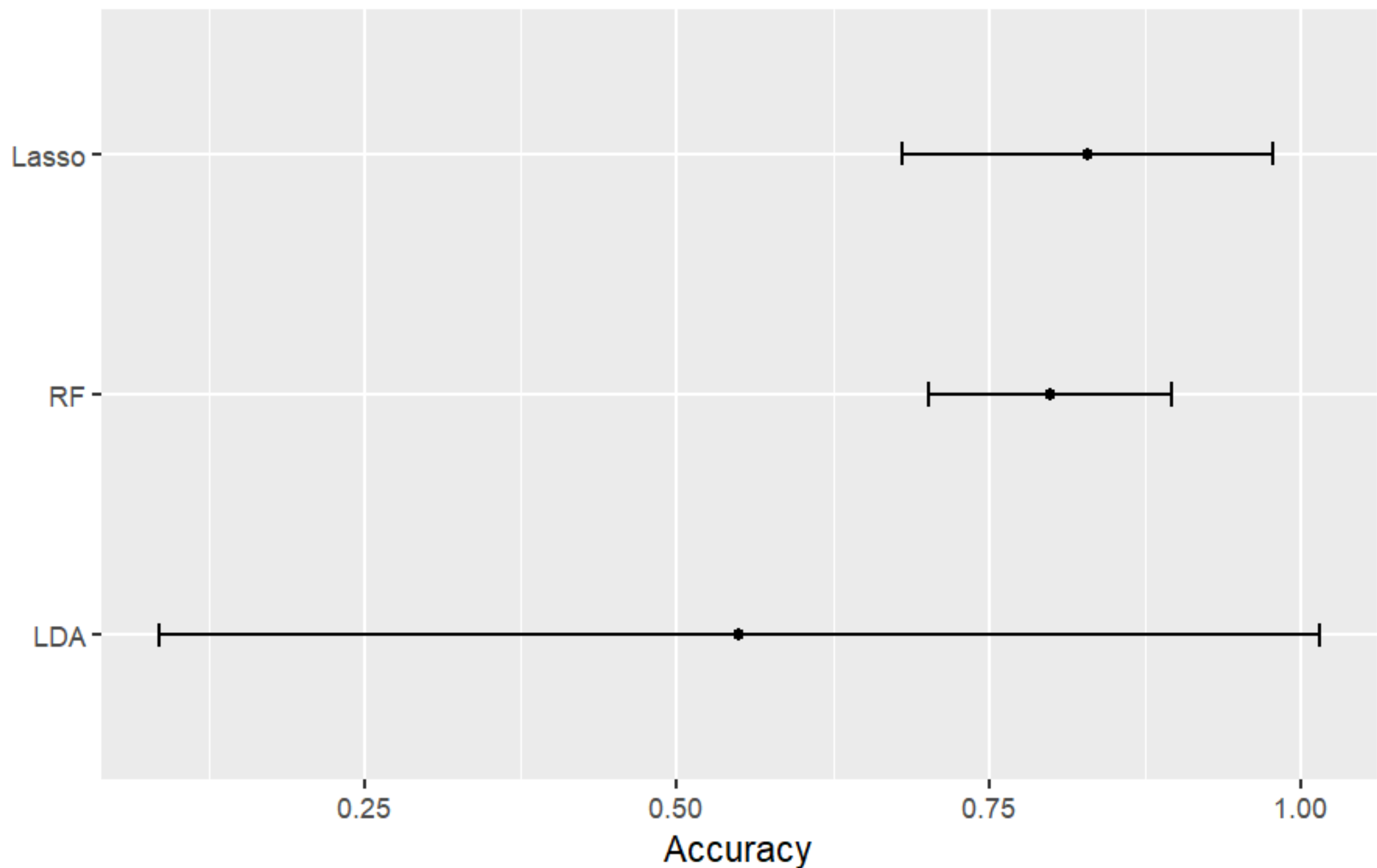
# ROC (Receiver Operating Characteristic)

is used for visualizing the performance of scoring classifiers.



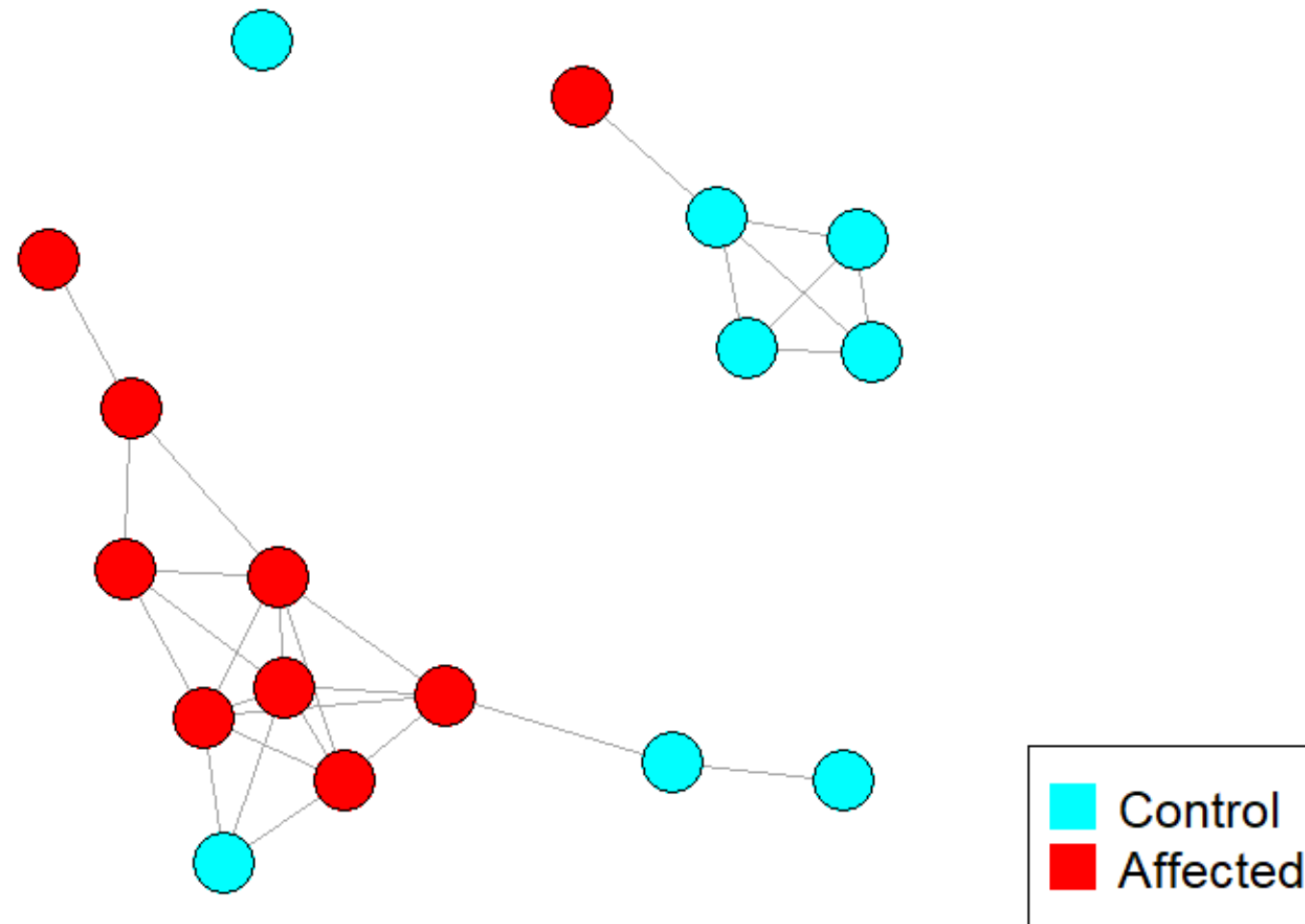
Lasso model most effective, high accuracy (AUC=0.9).  
Reliable distinction between "affected" and "control" groups.

# Comparison with other classification methods



The **Lasso model** was the most effective, with high accuracy value, reliably distinguishing between "affected" and "control" groups.

# RSCUDO + CARET



Network representation demonstrates the separation and classification performance of the model, highlighting its ability to distinguish between the affected and control samples.

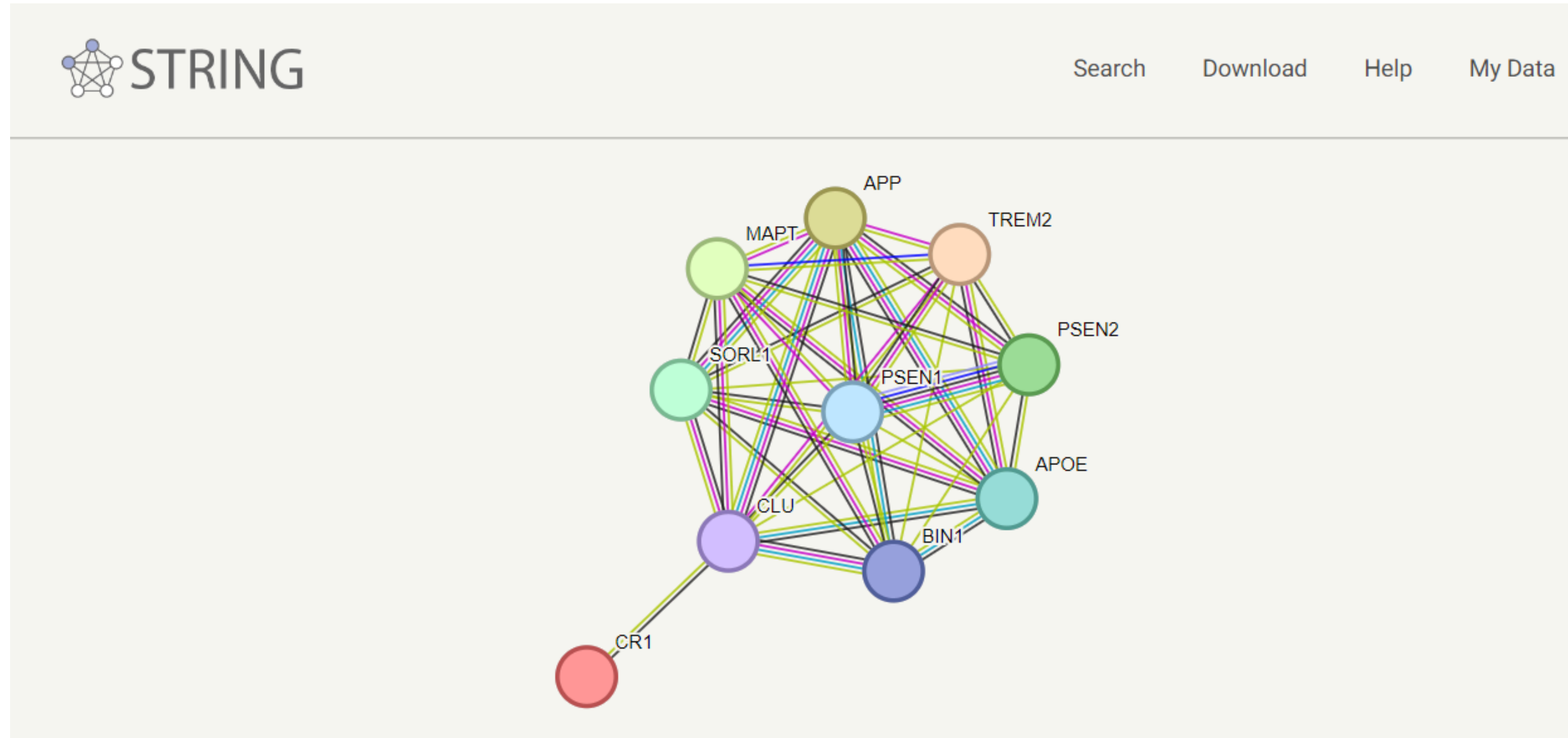
# Enrichment Analysis

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gene_list <- c("APP", "PSEN1", "PSEN2", "APOE", "MAPT", "CLU", "BIN1", "CR1", "SORL1", "TREM2")
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"GO:0036477",  
"GO:0030425",  
"GO:0097447",  
"GO:0009986",  
"GO:0043005",  
"GO:0045202",  
"GO:0030054"
```











From the enrichment analysis, it can be observed that the most relevant GO term is **GO:0036477**. This term refers to a specific component in the neuron involved in Alzheimer's disease (biological process of "cell death in response to oxidative stress").

**STRING** network visualization shows the interactions among several key genes associated with Alzheimer's disease.



These interactions are crucial for understanding the complex molecular mechanisms underlying Alzheimer's disease.

The pathway enrichment analysis using **EnrichNet** identifies the Alzheimer's disease pathway as the most significantly enriched, with a q-value of 0.00077. This strong association highlights the relevance of the provided gene set to Alzheimer's disease.

Annotation (pathway/process) ^	Significance of network distance distribution (XD-Score) ^	Significance of overlap (Fisher-test, q-value) ^	Dataset size (uploaded gene set) ^	Dataset size (pathway gene set) ^	Dataset size (overlap) ^
<b><u>Notch signaling pathway</u></b>					
 <a href="#">compute graph visualization</a>	0.3755*	0.07546	10	47	2 ( <a href="#">show</a> )
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<b><u>Alzheimer's disease</u></b>					
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<b><u>Leishmaniasis</u></b>					
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# Conclusions

- The Lasso model is the most suitable for this dataset, effectively preventing overfitting and selecting important variables.
- Cross-validation techniques and the use of multiple analytical methods ensured the robustness and reliability of the results.
- This approach identified significant genes and pathways involved in Alzheimer's disease, providing a strong foundation for further studies and investigations.

**Thank you for the attention**