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# Accelerating Medicines Partnership - Alzheimer's Disease

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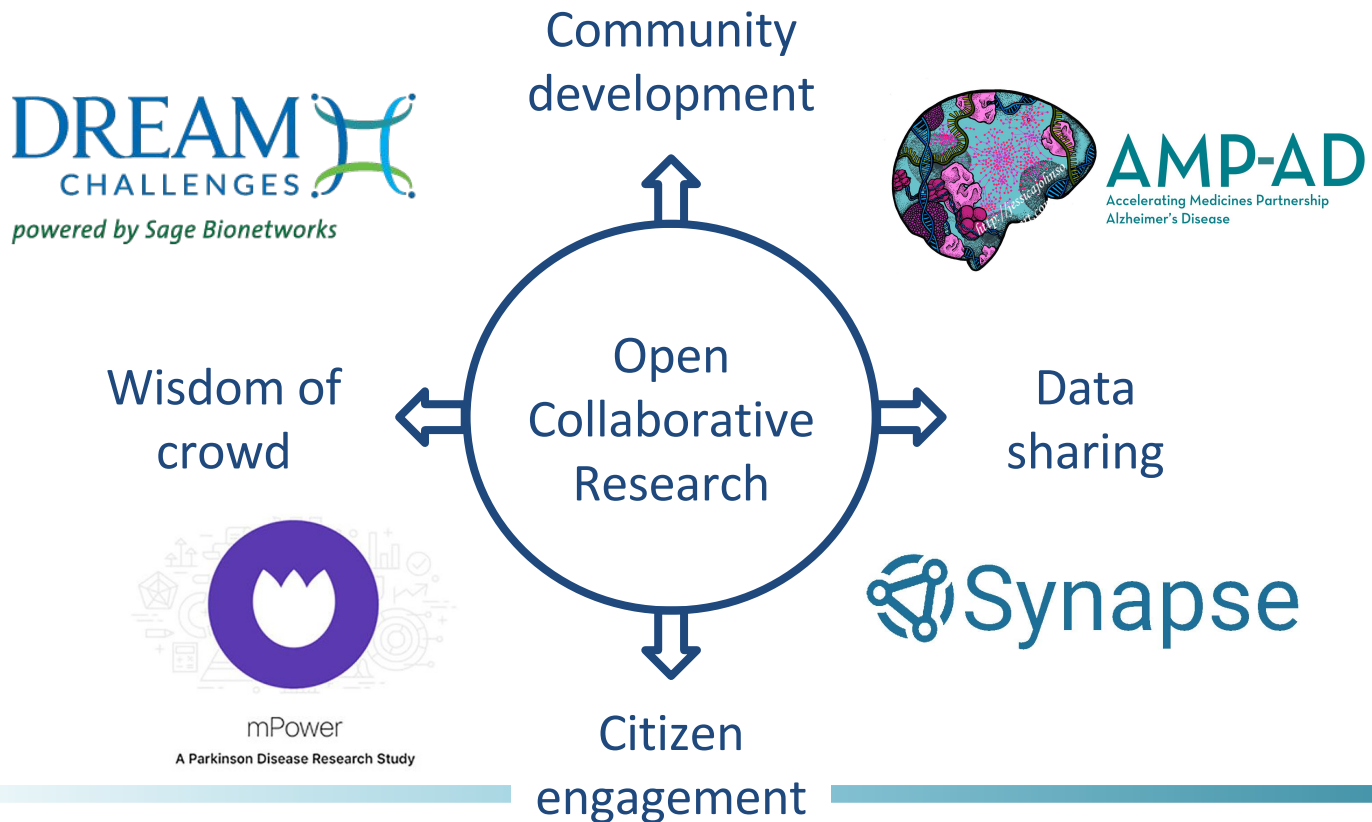
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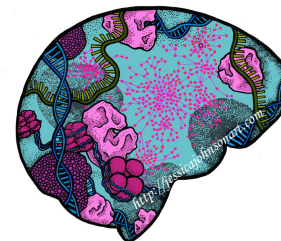
## The New York Times

HEALTH

### An Unusual Partnership to Tackle Stubborn Diseases

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A public/private partnership between NIH,  
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# Accelerating Medicines Partnership

(\$ Millions)	Total Project	Total NIH	Total Industry
Alzheimer's Disease	92.5	69.6	22.9
Type 2 Diabetes	58.4	30.4	28
Rheumatoid Arthritis	41.6	20.9	20.7
Total	192.5	120.9	71.6

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RUSH

Genomics,  
Transcriptomics

iPS neurons and astrocytes,  
iPS compound screens



Genomics,  
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iPS neurons and astrocytes,  
Mouse hippocampal slices,  
Drosophila model



Genomics,  
Transcriptomics

aB and Tau mouse models,  
rAAV delivered models



EMORY  
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Proteomics

Cell culture models,  
Mouse models,  
Drosophila model



Metabolomics

ApoE4 TR and APP/PS1/ApoE4  
mouse models



HARVARD  
MEDICAL SCHOOL

Genomics,  
Transcriptomics

Studying the healthy human brain

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Coordinated sharing of early-phase target  
identification insights

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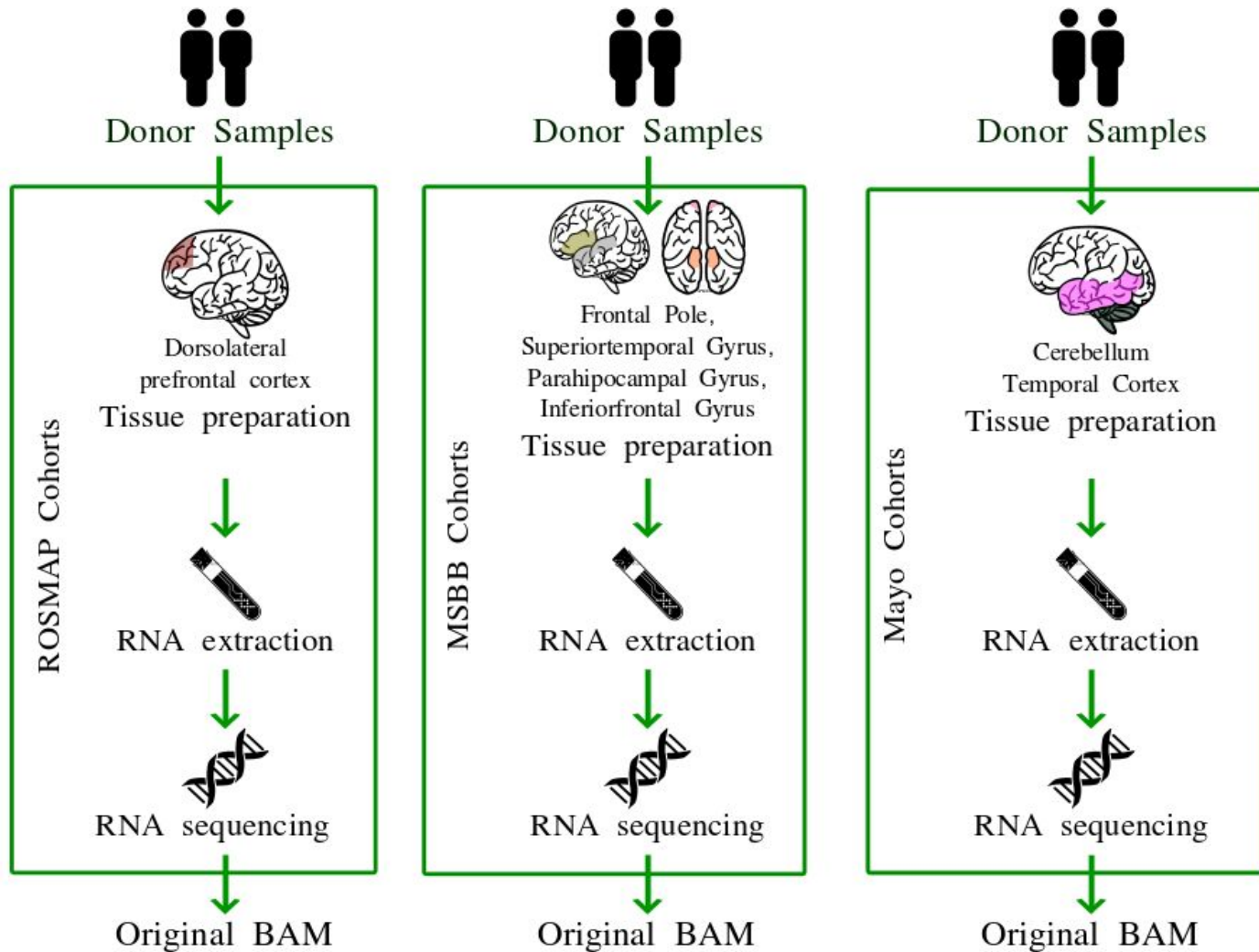
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Quarterly public release of data and analysis results through Synapse:  
[www.synapse.org/ampad](http://www.synapse.org/ampad)

# AMP-AD RNASeq Sample Overview

## Sample Collection






# # of samples (based on harmonised case-control)

Source	Region	Definition		# of Samples	
		CONTROL	AD	CONTROL	AD
<u>ROSMAP</u>	DLPFC	cogdx=1, Braak <=3, CERAD >=3 and no other pathology	cogdx=4, Braak >=4, CERAD <=2	86	155
<u>MSBB</u>	FP	CDR<=0.5, Braak <=3, NP.1 <= 1	CDR>=1, Braak >=4, NP.1 >= 2	45	90
	IFG			37	79
	PHG			40	65
	STG			37	86
<u>MAYO</u>	CER	No AD, Braak <= 3, CERAD <=1 and no other pathology	Definite AD from NINCDS-ADRDA criteria, Braak >= 4	74	79
	TCX			73	80
Total				392	634

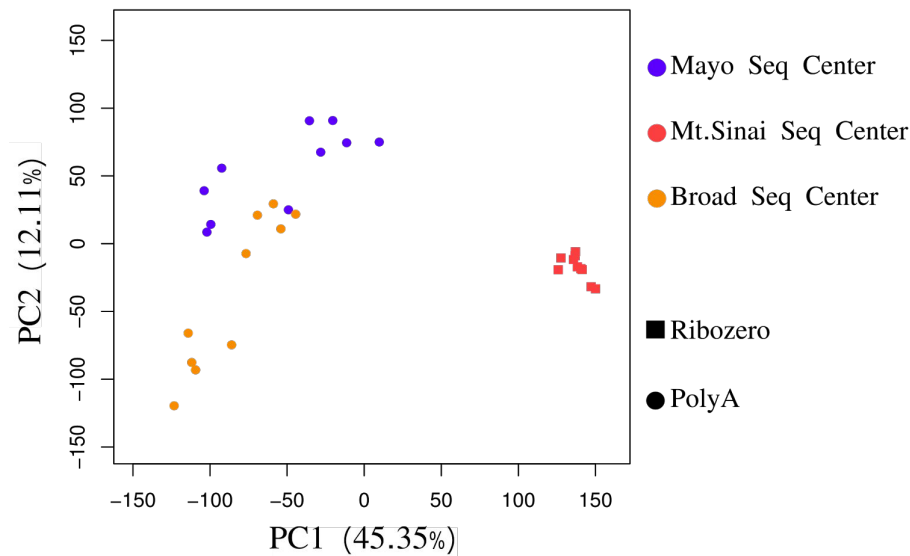
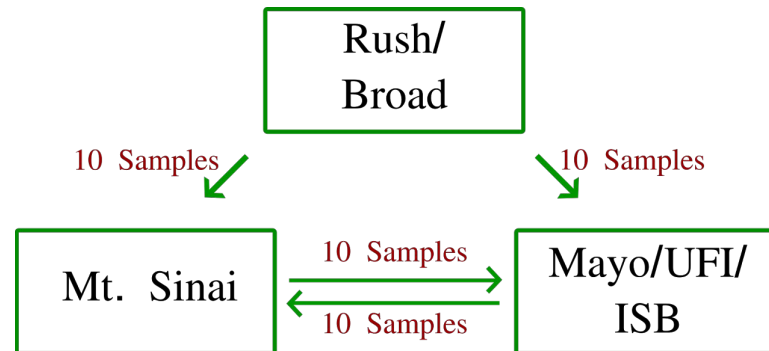


# AMP-AD RNASeq Sample Overview

Source	# of Individuals	Brain Regions	Library Preparation	Read Length	Depth of Sequencing
<u>ROSMAP</u>	634	 Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex	Poly-A Selection	101 bp Paired End	50-100M per library
<u>MSBB</u>	301	 Frontal Pole, Superiortemporal Gyrus, Parahippocampal Gyrus, Inferiorfrontal Gyrus	RiboZero	100 bp Single End	120M per library
<u>MAYO</u>	303	 Cerebellum Temporal Cortex	Poly-A Selection	100 bp Paired End	120M per library

# RNASeq Sample SWAP

- **Objective:**
  - To quantify technical variations across different sequencing centers
- **Design:**
  - 10 Samples from each cohort was re-sequenced across all three centers



- Top 2 principal components of gene expression from 10 ROSMAP samples that were sequenced at all three centers: Broad, Mt.Sinai and Mayo
  - PC1: Differences between Ribozero vs PolyA preparation
  - PC2: Sequencing centers

# RNASeq Reprocessing\*

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- Goal:
  - To create a *uniformly processed* RNAseq dataset across the three largest AMP-AD contributed studies (ROSMAP/MSBB/MayoRNAseq)
- Method:
  - FASTQ generation
    - Conversion of BAMs to FASTQs using Picard.
  - Alignment
    - Re-alignment of FASTQ reads using STAR.
    - Computing alignment metrics using Picard.
  - Gene counting
    - Counting reads per gene using STAR

# Gene Filtering

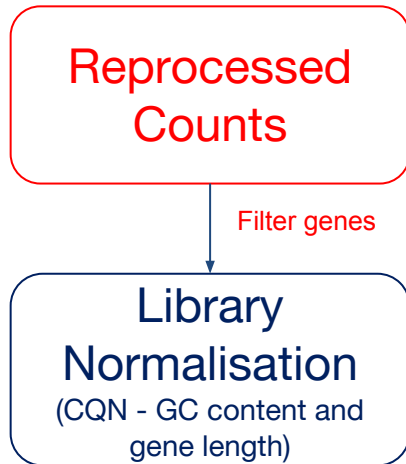
Reprocessed  
Counts

Filter genes

- Gene Filtering
  - Filter genes that have less than 1 CPM in more than 50% of samples for each brain region times diagnosis category

	ROSMAP	MSBB	MAYO
<b># of Genes</b>	15582	16348	17003
<b>Fraction of antisense</b>	0.03	0.04	0.05
<b>Fraction of lincRNA</b>	0.03	0.04	0.05
<b>Fraction of protein coding</b>	0.87	0.85	0.84
<b>Fraction of transcribed unprocessed pseudogene</b>	0.01	0.01	0.01

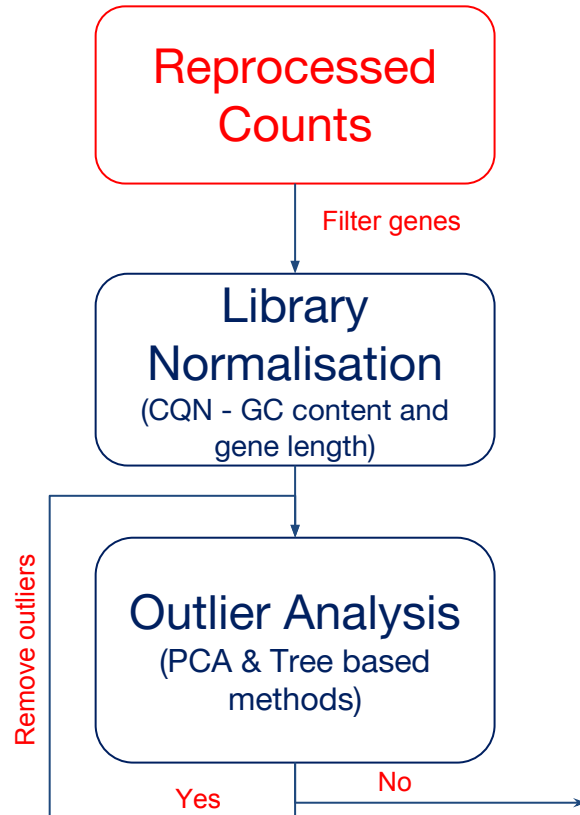
# Library Normalisation



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- Library Normalisation (using CQN\*)
  - Conditional quantile normalisation accounting for gene length and GC content

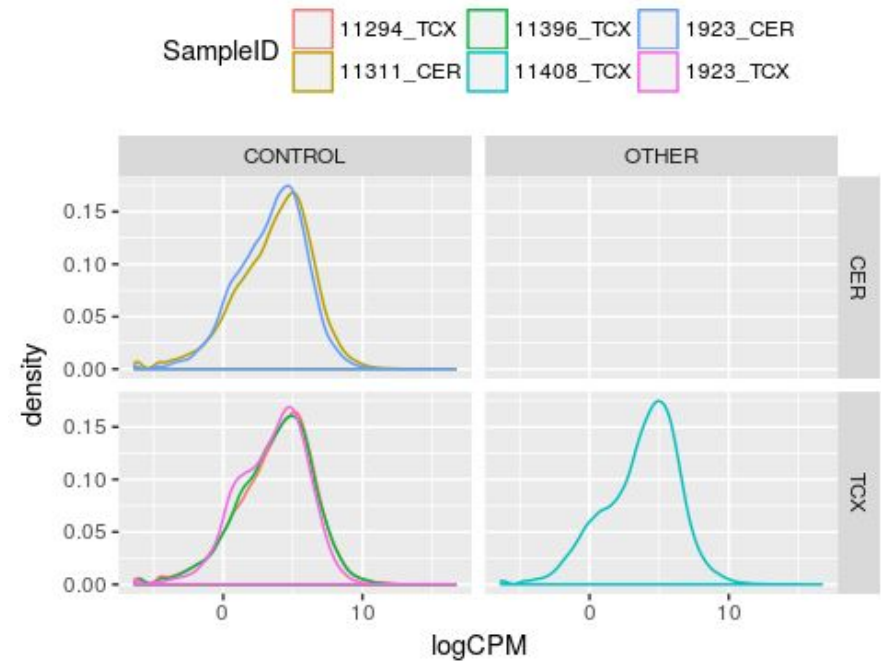
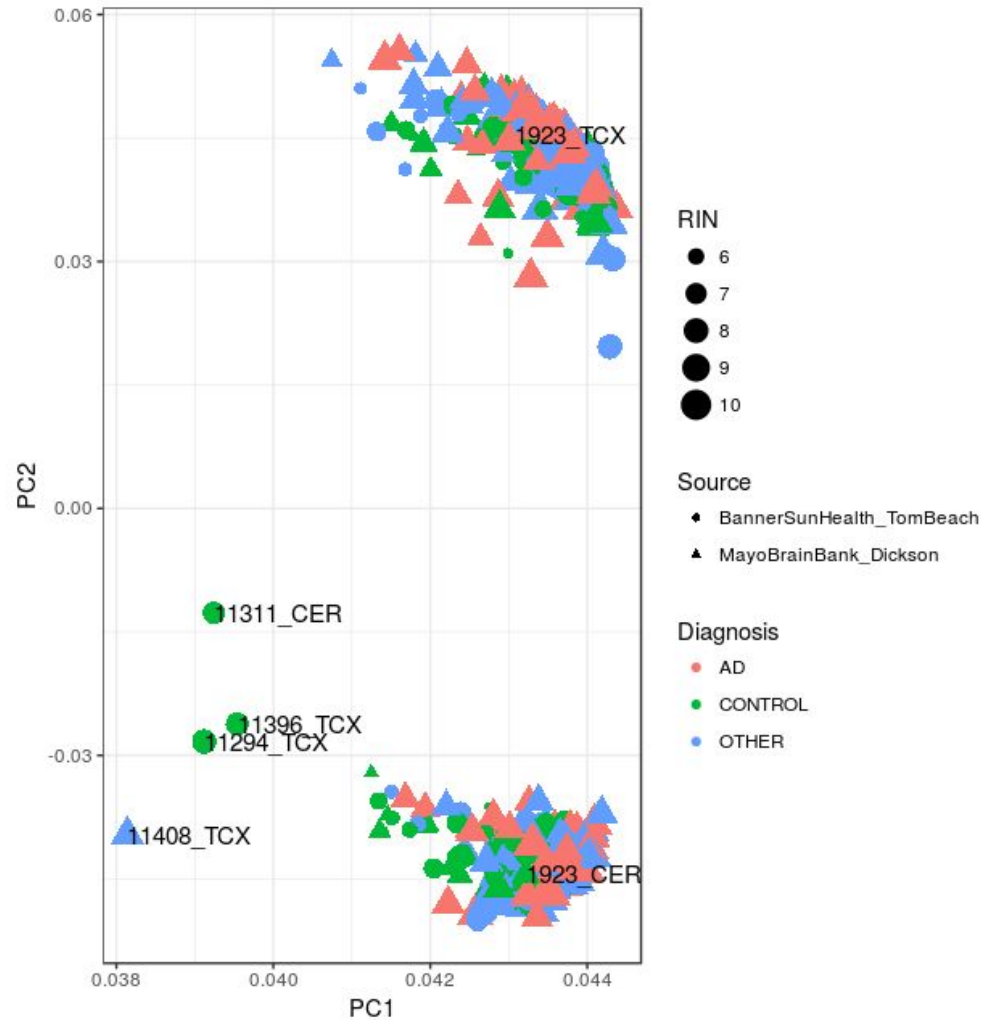
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# Iterative Outlier Analysis

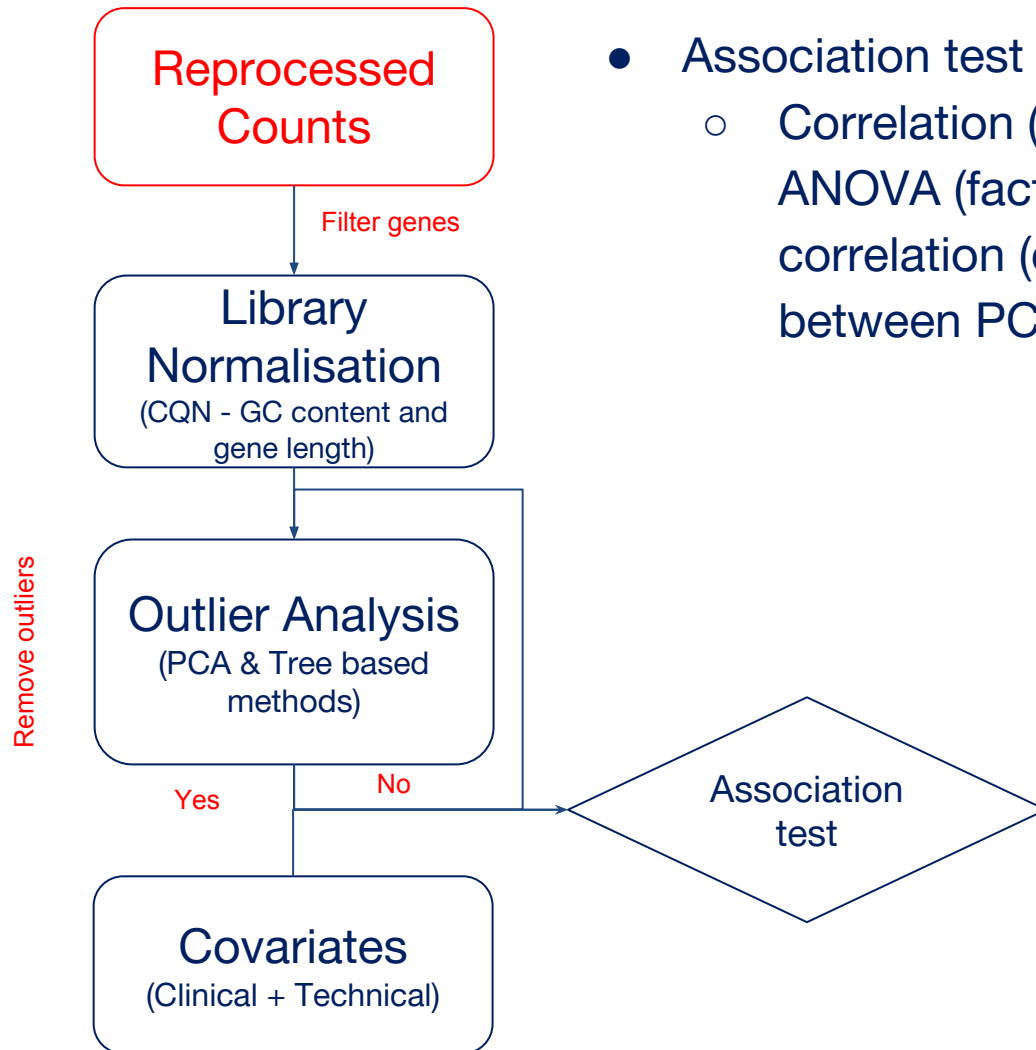


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- Iterative outlier detection
  - PCA and euclidean distance based dendrogram trees were used to identify outliers

# Iterative Outlier Analysis: MAYO Samples



# Association b/w Expression and Covariates

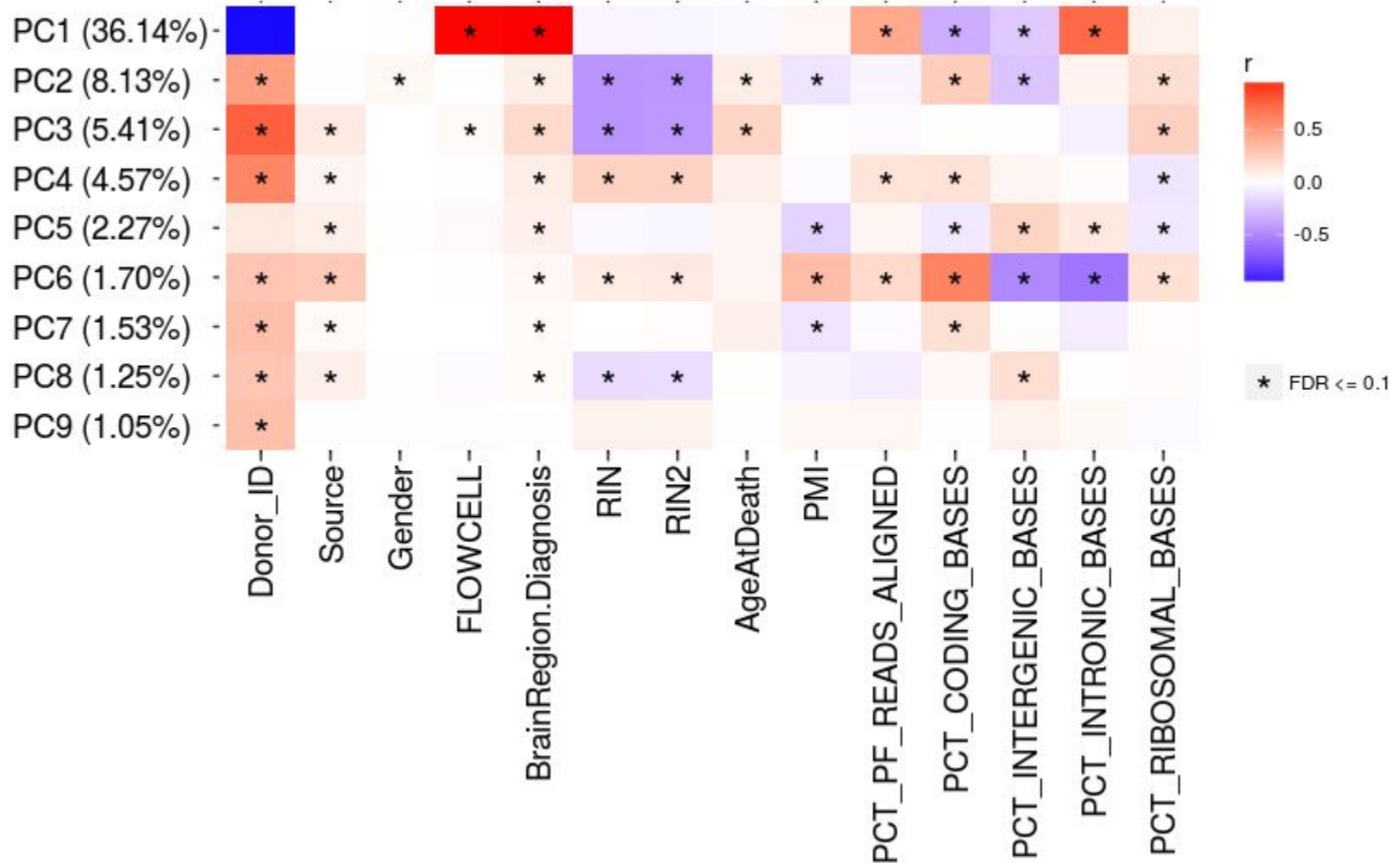


- Association test
  - Correlation (continuous - continuous), one-way ANOVA (factor-factor) and/or Inter class correlation (continuous - factor) was calculated between PCs of expression and covariates

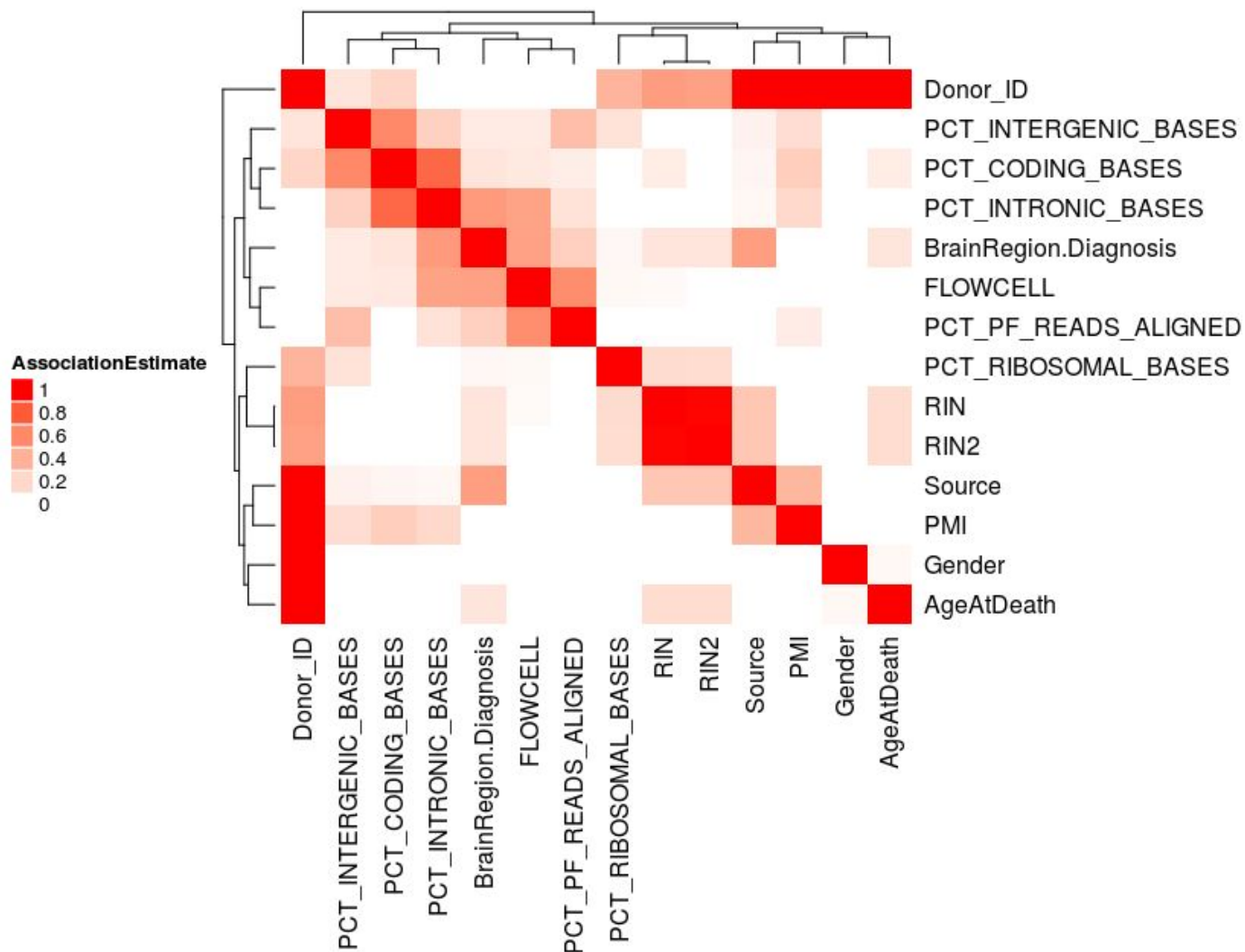


# Expression Association with Covariates in MAYO Cohort

Scaled NULL design(voom-normalized) data in PCA; PVE  $\geq 1\%$ ; pearson correlations

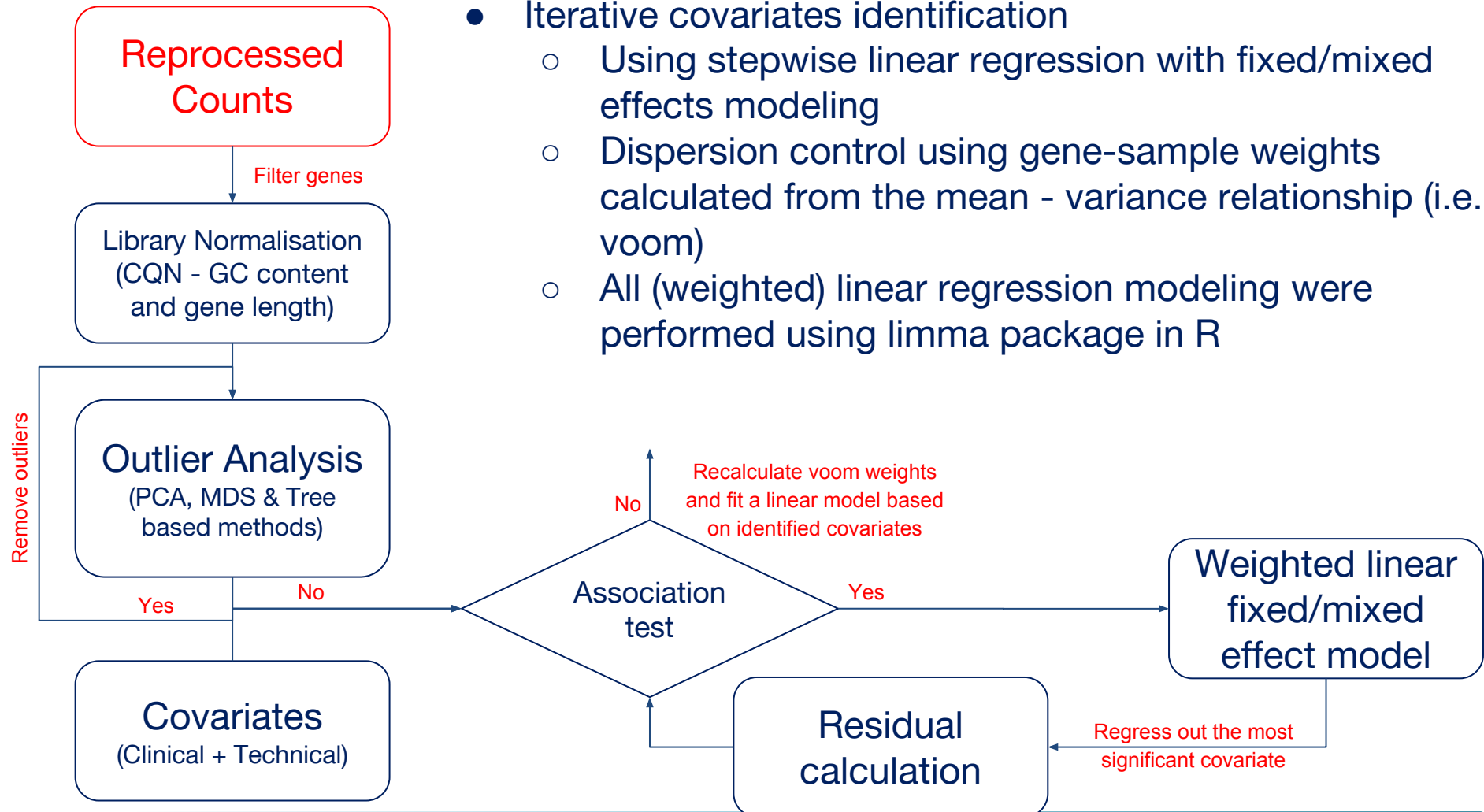


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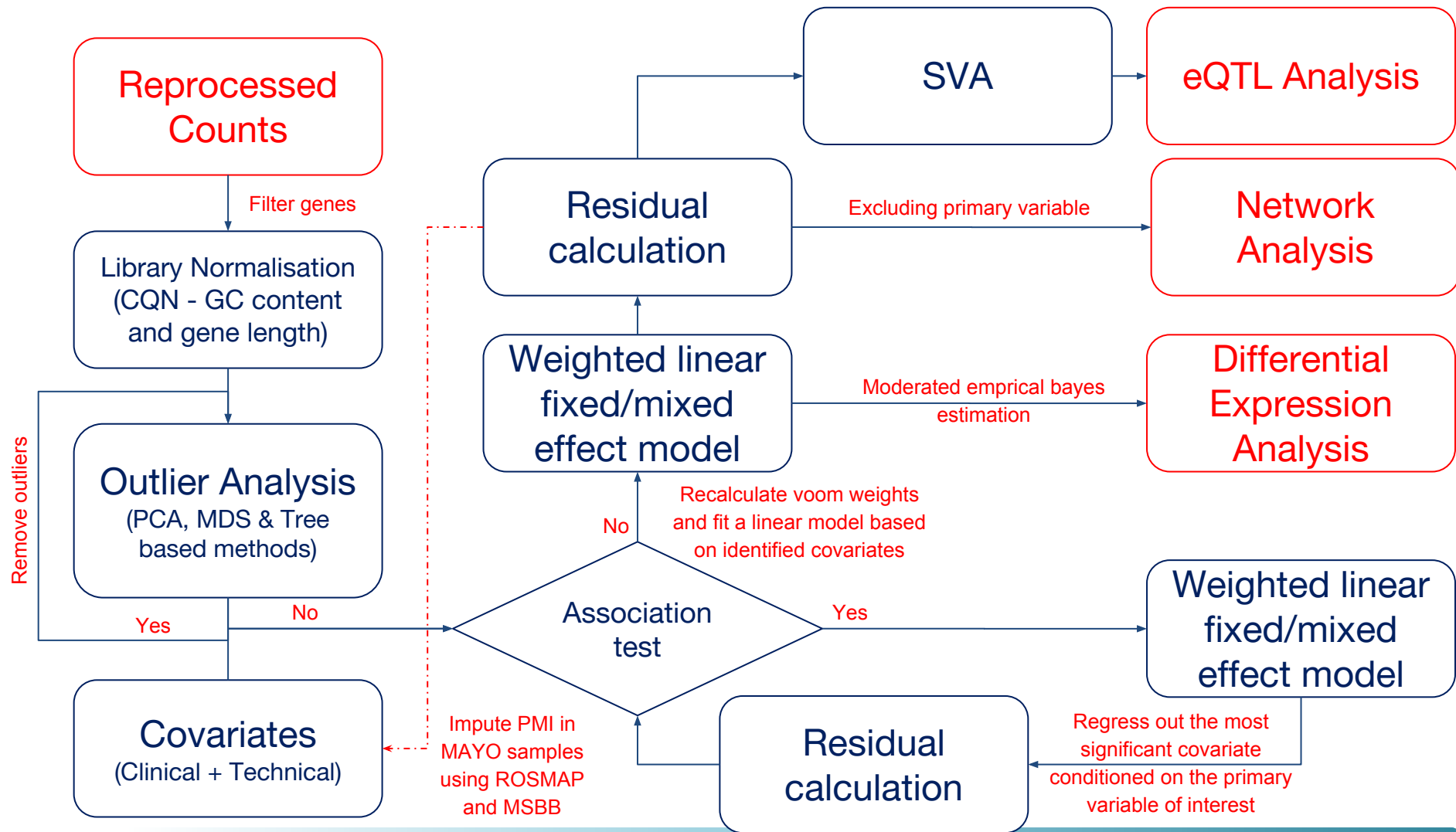


# Iterative Covariates Identification

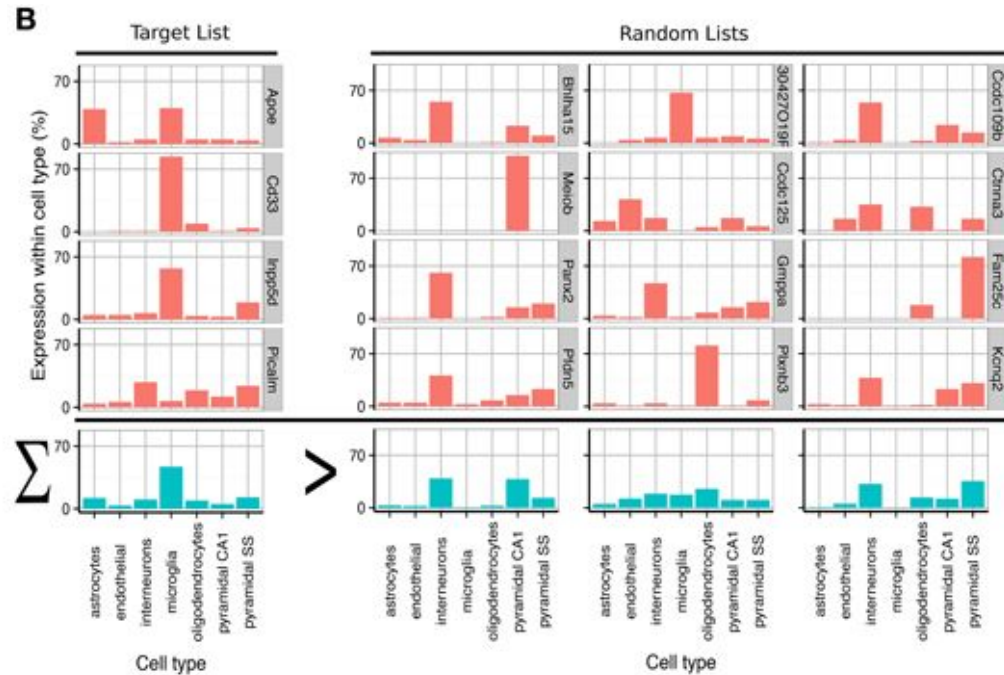
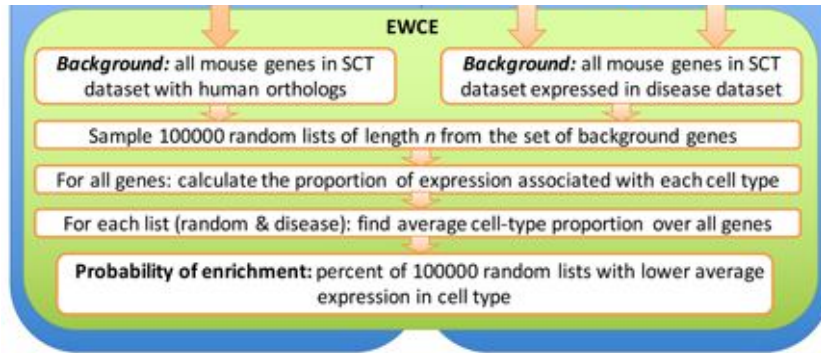
- Iterative covariates identification
  - Using stepwise linear regression with fixed/mixed effects modeling
  - Dispersion control using gene-sample weights calculated from the mean - variance relationship (i.e., voom)
  - All (weighted) linear regression modeling were performed using limma package in R



# Covariate Adjusted Data

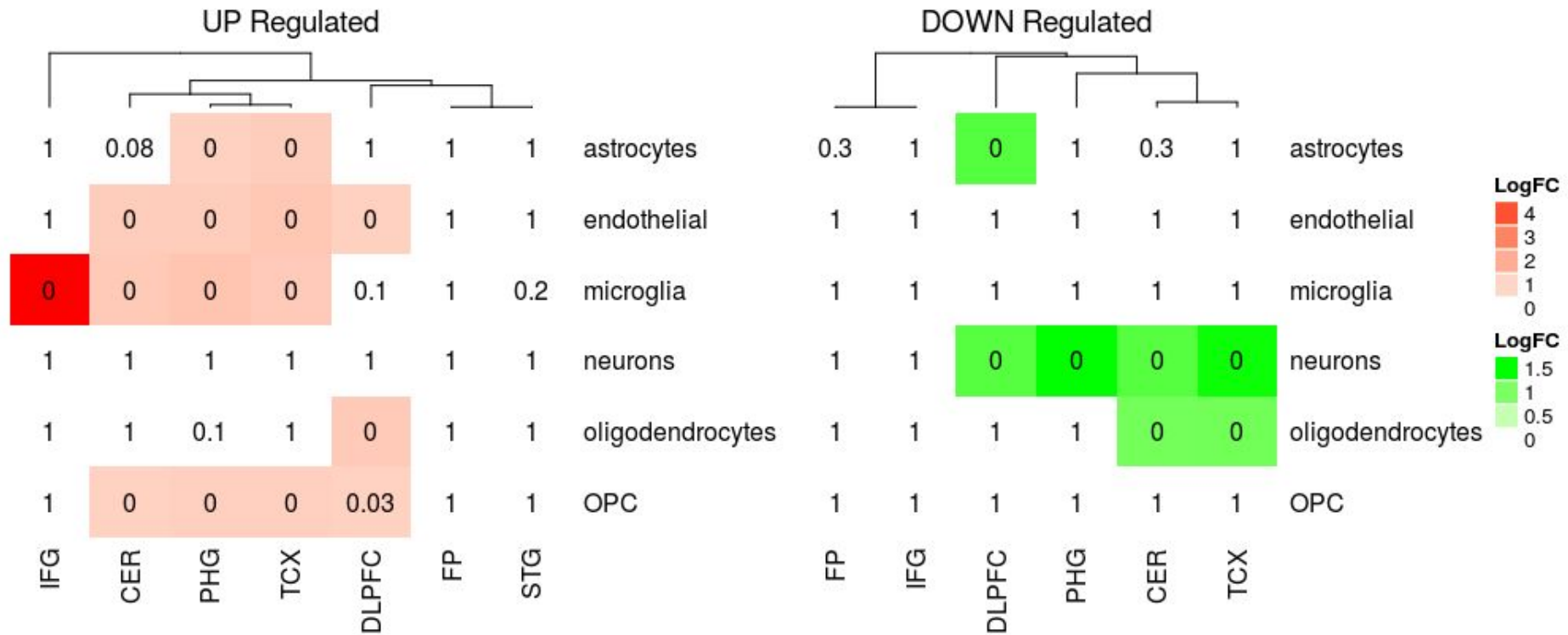


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# Upcoming Challenges



## GA4GH/DREAM Workflow Execution Challenge ➤

Launches July 5 (Pre-registration is open)

The goal of this challenge is to evaluate systems and platforms for executing portable analysis workflows in the interest of developing common standards and best practices. Participants will run high quality genomics workflows in their system of choice to assess portability and reproducibility in a concrete way.



## Parkinson's Disease Digital Biomarker DREAM Challenge ➤

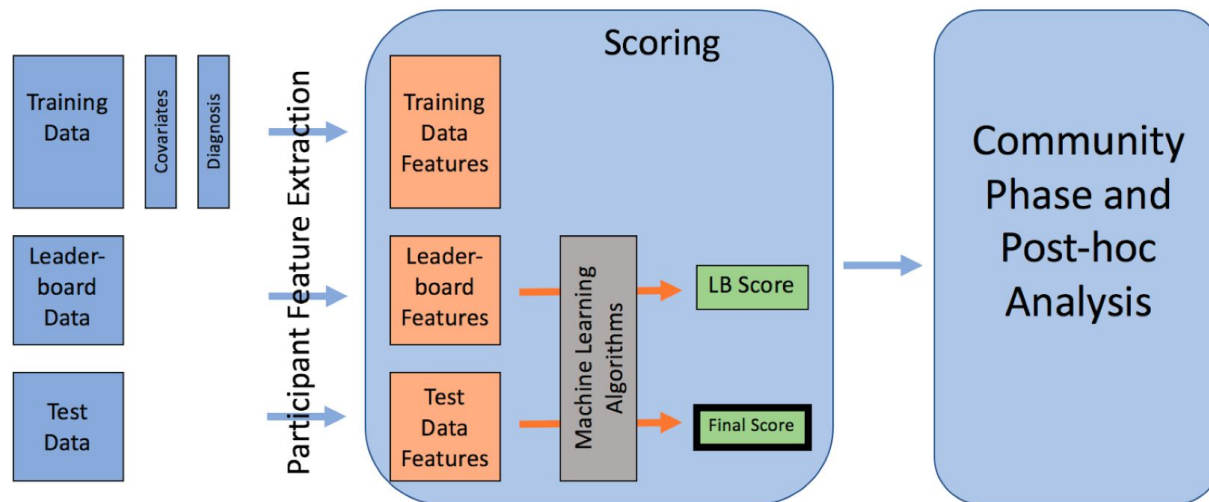
Launching July 6, 2017 (Pre-registration is open)

Using data collected through two Parkinson's Disease mobile research studies, the goal of this challenge is to identify the best methods for processing mobile sensor data in order to distinguish gait and motor differences between Parkinson's Disease patients and controls.



# Parkinson's Disease Digital Biomarker DREAM Challenge

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- ✓ Launched: 6 July 2017
- ✓ Close: October 2017



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