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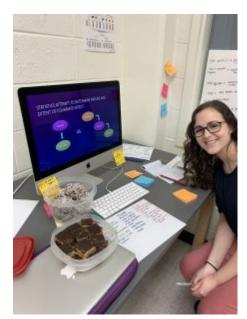
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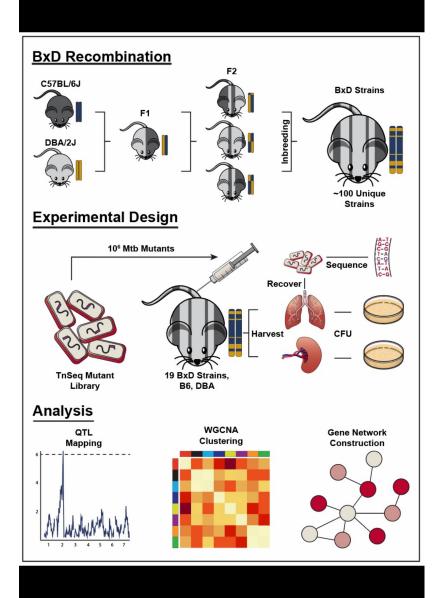
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BXD - 19 strains + parents (n-2-5)

Infected with 100,000 Mtb mutants

1 month – sac

plate organ

-get viable bacteria (CFU)

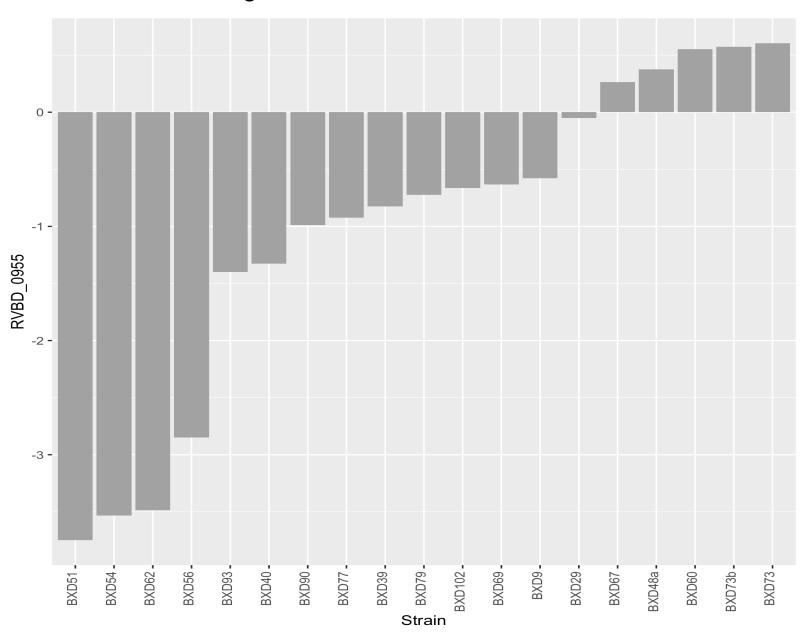
-plate for mutant recovery

sequence mutants (TnSeq)

- -counts of mutants across mouse genotypes
- -compare to input library (all mutants)

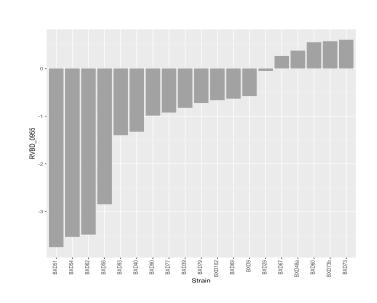
Overall – end up with counts for each mutant
in each condition/host
-we compare to input library to look at ratio
(ie abundance of mutant in the pool after
selection in a mouse compared to input pool)

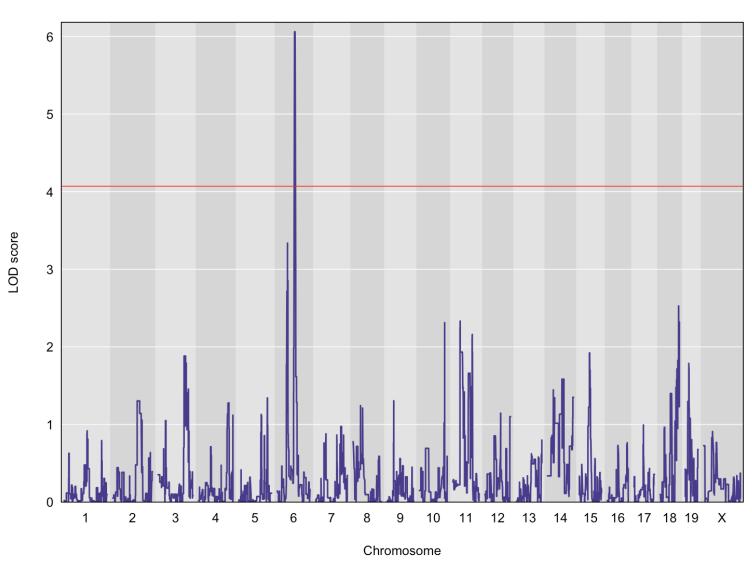
## Differential growth of Mtb mutants across diverse hosts



# Mapping Mtb mutant abundance in RI panels

### **RVBD\_0955**







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# Persistent *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* infection in mice requires PerM for successful cell division









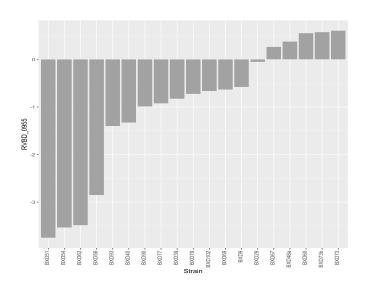
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\*\*\*0955 (PerM) is required for chronic infection in C57BL/6J mice but not acute!!!

\*\*Using the BXD, we show that PerM is not required in chronic phase of some hosts
-different selective pressure for PerM across BXD

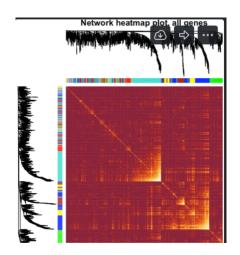
-what is different about immunity/host stress in those BXD?



## mapping single mutant traits:

qtl	lodindex	lodcolumn	gene	chr	pos	lod	ci_lo	ci_hi	mycobrowser_class
1	911	RVBD_0959	-	15	50.05	6.38928202	49.925	50.69	conserved hypotheticals
2	60	RVBD_0955	-	6	40.51	6.06016634	40.51	41.238	cell wall & cell processes
3	203	RVBD_1512	epiA	15	12.91	6.04811567	12.43	13.0833333	intermediary metabolism and respiration
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4	7	RVBD_0066c	icd2	13	11.5936364	5.28110865	9.02142857	12.5618182	intermediary metabolism and respiration
5	20	RVBD_2115c	mpa	6	41.602	5.14222679	40.874	42.85	cell wall & cell processes
6	698	RVBD_0793	-	18	25.438	4.77507686	15.32	26.5325	intermediary metabolism and respiration
7	646	RVBD_2089c	рерЕ	10	47.3466667	4.73978559	44.698	48.705	intermediary metabolism and respiration
8	898	RVBD_0397A	-	6	45.16	4.67863924	44.91	47.365	conserved hypotheticals
9	288	RVBD_0242c	fabG4	15	47.5666667	4.65920426	45.0775	48.66	lipid metabolism
10	556	RVBD_1956	higA	2	80.095	4.65011327	78.082	80.29	virulence, detoxification, adaptation

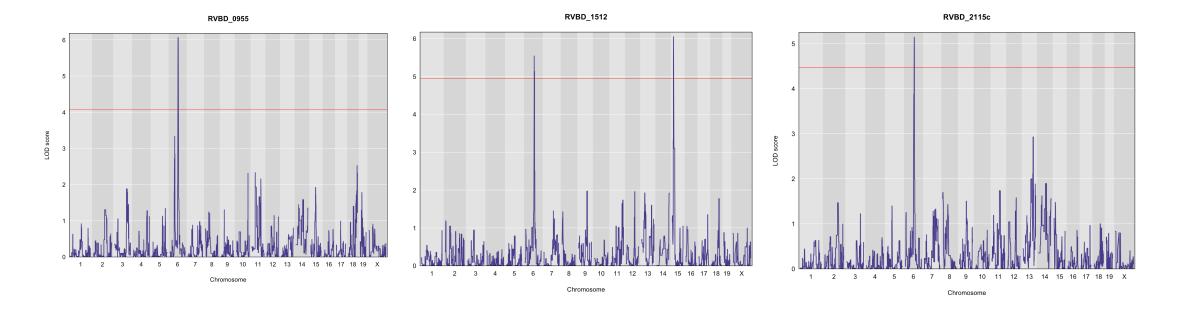
vs. mapping modules (ie. dimension reduction and map eigengenes > map bacterial pathways??)



# Host-pathogen hotspots?

## ie. host regions where many mutants co-map

	match1.pheno	match1.gene	match1.chr	match1.pos	match1.lod	match1.ci_lo	match1.ci_hi	match2.pheno	match2.gene	match2.chr	match2.pos	match2.lod	match2.ci_lo	match2.ci_hi
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#### Next steps?

#### Q. ONLY 19 BXD strains!!!!!

- -gross clinical traits, need MANY strains to map QTL
- -Are Tn mutants simpler traits (endophenotypes!) > dont need as many mouse strains?
- -Did we just get lucky with BXD strains/recombinations?
- Q. how to tease apart hotspots
  - -interactions > multi QTL model > CAPE for hotspots?
  - -CAPE on the mutants that map to chr6 and 15?
- Q. Biological dissection of interaction make single + combination mutants in extreme host backgrounds -mice (macs?? immortalize and crispr host loci + Mtb mutants)

#### new data sets (would love your thoughts on future cool things to look at!)

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-BXD: 19 + parents > TnSeq (abundance of 4000 Mtb mutants)

-CC: 55 + parents > TnSeq + 20 Clinical traits/cytokines mapped clinical and hipQTL CAPE + mouse/mac dissection

-CC001xCC042 F2: 170 F2 > 1 strain Mtb mini-muga genotyped 4 QTL (Smith mBio 2019) Q - interesting interactions

O underdeminence

Q - underdominance

-CC030xCC029 F2: 200 F2 > TnSeq genotyped on minimuga phenotyped lung and spleen CFU

organs in freezer ready to plate for Tn libraries and Tnseq??

