Supplementary Material

Ionotropic receptors as the driving force behind human synapse establishment

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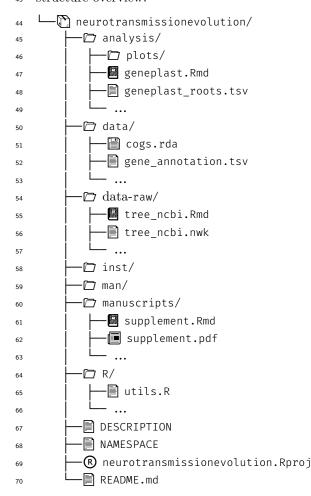
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39 Project structure

This project is organized as an R package research compendium. Research compendia aim to provide a "standard and easily recognizable way for organizing the digital materials of a research project to enable other researchers to inspect, reproduce, and extend the research" (Marwick, Boettiger & Mullen, 2018). Project structure overview:



The main manuscript analysis is inside analysis/ and uses preprocessed data from data/. Preprocessing steps are included in data-raw/. Everything is documented in RMarkdown.

73 Preprocessing

This topic refers mainly to data wrangling done before the actual analysis with the intent of making it

⁷⁶ Eukaryota species tree

- We opted to use the TimeTree database in order to obtain an standardized Eukaryota species tree. However,
- 78 some species were not present in it, so we devised a way to fill them in based on NCBI Taxonomy data.

79 NCBI Taxonomy tree

80 First we preprocess NCBI Taxonomy data to leave only STRING eukaryotes, thus making the task easier.

Resources

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Table 1: Lists all organisms in STRING v11.

	string_species								
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description				
1	taxid	character	yes	9606	NCBI Taxonomy identifier				
2	string_type	character	no	core	if the genome of this species is core or periphery				
3	$string_name$	character	yes	Homo sapiens	STRING species name				
4	$ncbi_official_name$	character	no	Homo sapiens	NCBI Taxonomy species name				

Location: data-raw/download/species.v11.0.txt

Source: stringdb-static.org/download/species.v11.0.txt

Table 2: Links outdated taxon IDs to corresponding new ones.

	ncbi_merged_ids								
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description				
1	taxid	character	yes	140100	id of node that has been merged				
2	${\rm new_taxid}$	character	yes	666	id of node that is the result of merging				

Location: data-raw/download/taxdump/merged.dmp

Source: ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pub/taxonomy/taxdump.tar.gz

Table 3: Represents taxonomy nodes.

ncbi_edgelist							
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description		
1	taxid	character	yes	2	node id in NCBI taxonomy database		
2	parent_taxid	character	yes	131567	parent node id in NCBI taxonomy database		
3	rank	character	no	superkingdom	rank of this node		
4			no		(too many unrelated fields)		

Location: data-raw/download/taxdump/nodes.dmp

Source: ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pub/taxonomy/taxdump.tar.gz

Table 4: Links taxon IDs to actual species names.

				ncbi_taxon_names	5
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description
1	taxid	character	yes	2	the id of node associated with this name
2	name	character	yes	Monera	name itself
3	unique_name	character	no	Monera <bacteria></bacteria>	the unique variant of this name if name not unique
4	$name_class$	character	yes	scientific name	type of name

Location: data-raw/download/taxdump/names.dmp

Source: ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pub/taxonomy/taxdump.tar.gz

Updating STRING taxon IDs

- 85 Some organisms taxon IDs are outdated in STRING. We must update them to work with the most recent
- 86 NCBI Taxonomy data.

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```
string_species %<%
left_join(ncbi_merged_ids) %>%
mutate(new_taxid = coalesce(new_taxid, taxid))
```

88 Creating tree graph

⁸⁹ The first step is to create a directed graph representing the NCBI Taxonomy tree.

```
# leaving only "scientific name" rows
ncbi_taxon_names % > %
filter(type = "scientific name") % > %
select(name, ncbi_name)

# finding Eukaryota taxid
eukaryota_taxon_id \( \subset(ncbi_taxon_names, ncbi_name = "Eukaryota", "name", drop = TRUE)

# creating graph
g \( \subseteq \text{graph_from_data_frame(ncbi_edgelist[,2:1], directed = TRUE, vertices = ncbi_taxon_names)}

# easing memory
rm(ncbi_edgelist, ncbi_merged_ids)
```

Traversing the graph

- The second step is to traverse the graph from the Eukaryota root node to STRING species nodes. This automatically drops all non-eukaryotes and results in a species tree representing only STRING eukaryotes (476).
 - eukaryote_root \leftarrow V(g)[eukaryota_taxon_id]
 eukaryote_leaves \leftarrow V(g)[string_species[["new_taxid"]]]

 # not_found \leftarrow subset(string_species, !new_taxid %in% ncbi_taxon_names\$name)

 eukaryote_paths \leftarrow shortest_paths(g, from = eukaryote_root, to = eukaryote_leaves, mode = "out")\$vpath

 eukaryote_vertices \leftarrow eukaryote_paths %>% unlist %>% unique

 eukaryote_tree \leftarrow induced_subgraph(g, eukaryote_vertices, impl = "create_from_scratch")

96 Saving

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- 97 Saving ncbi_tree and string_eukaryotes for package use. These data files are documented by the package.
- We also create a plain text file 476_ncbi_eukaryotes.txt containing the updated names of all 476 STRING
- eukaryotes. This file will be queried against the TimeTree website.

```
ncbi_tree 		 treeio::as.phylo(eukaryote_tree)

# plot(ncbi_tree %>% ape::ladderize(), type="cladogram")

string_eukaryotes 		 string_species %>%
    filter(new_taxid %in% ncbi_tree$tip.label) %>%
    inner_join(ncbi_taxon_names, by = c("new_taxid" = "name"))

write(string_eukaryotes[["ncbi_name"]],"476_ncbi_eukaryotes.txt")

# usethis::use_data(ncbi_tree, overwrite = TRUE)
write.tree(ncbi_tree, "tree_ncbi.nwk")
usethis::use_data(string_eukaryotes, overwrite = TRUE)
```

```
## <U+2714> Setting active project to 'C:/R/neuro'
## <U+2714> Saving 'string_eukaryotes' to 'data/string_eukaryotes.rda'
```

Duplicated Genera

Some species from different kingdoms may share the same genus name. These genera must be noted down because one of the ways we fill in missing species is by looking at genera names. For taxid_rank and ncbi_taxon_names see Table 3 and Table 4, respectively.

```
# keeping genera nodes
taxid_rank %<% filter(rank = "genus")

# keeping scientific names
ncbi_taxon_names %<%
filter(type = "scientific name") %>%
select(taxid, ncbi_name) %>%
inner_join(taxid_rank)

# extracting and saving duplicated values
duplicated_genera ← ncbi_taxon_names %>%
pull(ncbi_name) %>%
extract(duplicated(.)) %>%
write("duplicated_genera.txt")
```

08 Hybrid tree

Once we have both the NCBI eukaryotes tree and the list of duplicated genera, we can start assembling the complete hybrid tree.

Resources

Besides downloading all TimeTree species data (Eukaryota_species.nwk) we also need to manually query the website for the 476 STRING eukaryotes (476_ncbi_eukaryotes.txt). The file is called 476_ncbi_eukaryotes.txt because it contains updated NCBI Taxonomy names rather than STRING outdated names. This ensures better results.

timetree_newick is the tree obtained by manually uploading 476_ncbi_eukaryotes.txt to the TimeTree website. tree_85k is the complete Eukaryota tree we have just downloaded.

```
# loading species names and taxon ids
load("../data/string_eukaryotes.rda")

# loading newick tree manually obtained from timetree
timetree_newick ← read.tree("download/timetree_335_eukaryotes.nwk")

# the following genera names are unreliable and should not be searched for
duplicated_genera ← scan("duplicated_genera.txt", what = "character")

# loading all TimeTree species data we have just download (85000 species)
tree_85k ← read.tree("download/Eukaryota_species.nwk")
```

Unfound species with matching genera

Some of the 476 STRING eukaryotes are not present in the TimeTree database. However, sometimes TimeTree does contain tree data for closely related species (e.g. Monosiga brevicollis is not present, but Monosiga ovata is). Therefore, we can use these closely related species as proxies for the actual species. This is done by searching for genera names in the complete database (Eukaryota_species.nwk). In the given Monosiga brevicollis example, we search for Monosiga in the complete database. We see that there is information for at least one other species of the Monosiga genus (in this case, Monosiga ovata), so we add Monosiga brevicollis as a sister branch to the found species.

When you search for a term in TimeTree, it uses a synonym list obtained from NCBI to try to resolve it. Sometimes TimeTree will resolve a searched term to a scientific name different from the one you searched for. The problem with this is that TimeTree does not make it obvious that it is returning a different term. The first step is to find out which species resolved to different names in the timetree_335_eukaryotes.nwk file:

```
# plot(timetree_newick %>% ladderize, type = "cladogram", use.edge.length = F)

# replacing timetree species underscores with spaces
timetree_newick[["tip.label"]] %>% str_replace_all("_", " ")

# which timetree species' names exactly match with ncbi's
taxid_indexes \( \subseteq \timetree_newick[["tip.label"]] \( \sigma \sigma \text{ match} \) (string_eukaryotes[["ncbi_name"]])

# find out which timetree species names didn't exactly match ncbi's
unmatched_names \( \subseteq \timetree_newick[["tip.label"]] \( \sigma \sigma \text{ magrittr::extract}(\text{taxid_indexes } \sigma \sigma \text{ is.na})
print(unmatched_names)
```

```
## [1] "Cercospora fijiensis" "Arthroderma benhamiae"
## [3] "Macropus eugenii" "Ostreococcus lucimarinus"
## [5] "Oryza nivara"
```

Now we can start looking for unfound species genera in the complete tree data.

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```
# annotating genera
species_dictionary % > 
mutate(genus_search = coalesce(timetree_name, ncbi_name) *> *
strsplit(* ") *> *
sapply("[", 1))

# unique genera
selected_genera \iff species_dictionary[["genus_search"]] *> * unique

# these are unreliable selected_genera;
unreliable_genera \iff intersect(selected_genera, duplicated_genera)

# ensuring a cleaner newick file with only necessary data
# this is actually really important
tree_85k["node.label"]] \iff NULL

# replacing timetree's underscores with spaces
tree_85k[["edge.length"]] \iff NULL

# replacing timetree's underscores with spaces
tree_85k[["tip.label"]] *\iff * str_replace_all("_", " ")

# storing genus
tree_85k[["tip.genus"]] \iff sapply(strsplit(tree_88k["tip.label"]]," "), "[", 1)
tree_85k_genera \iff tree_85k[["tip.genus"]] *\iff * unique

# subtracting unreliable genera
tree_85k_genera *\iff * sected genera, including unreliable ones
tree_genus \iff tree_88k *\iff * keep.in(..., tip.label[tip.genus *\iff * in, label[tip.genus *\iff * in, label[tip.gen
```

Once we figured out which species have proxy genera in the complete data, we can start filling them in as sister branches.

```
# for each unfound species which genus is present in the 85k tree,

for(i in 1:nrow(unfound_species)){

# we search for all species of this genus ("sister species") in the 85k tree

# this part is tricky because bind tip rebuilds the tree from scratch

# so we need to keep removing underscores. there are better ways to do this.

tip_genus ← tree_genus[["tip.label"]] %>% strsplit("[_]") %>% sapply("[", 1)

sister_species ← tree_genus[["tip.label"]][[tip_genus = unfound_species[[i, "genus_search"]]]

# we obtain the sister_species' most recent common ancestor (MRCA)

# c(.[1]) is a hack because the MRCA function only works with at least 2 nodes
```

```
where \( \) getMRCA(tree_genus, sister_species %% c(.[1]))
    # and then add a leaf node linked to this MRCA
    tree_genus %<% bind.tip(tip.label = unfound_species[[i, "ncbi_name"]], where = where)
}

# for some reason bind.tip adds underscores to species names
tree_genus[["tip.label"]] %<% str_replace_all("_", " ")

# keeping track of found species
found_species \( \) species_dictionary %>% filter[lis.na(timetree_name) | genus_search %in% tree_85k_genera)
# forced_name mans it either was found in timetree or we forced it by looking at genera names
found_species %
# which found species in this tree we are building (timetree + forced by genera)

# so we keep only found species in this tree we are building (timetree + forced by genera)
tree_genus %
# keep.tip(found_species[["forced_name"]])

# which found_species rows correspond to each tip.label?
match_tiplabel_name \( \) match(tree_genus[["tip.label"]], found_species[["forced_name"]])

tree_genus %
* list_modify(
# converting to ncbi taxids
tip.label = found_species[["new_taxid"]][match_tiplabel_name]
)
```

Species of unfound genera

In this part, we try to fill in the remaining missing species (those which genera were not found in TimeTree) by searching for their closest relatives (according to NCBI Taxonomy) that are present in the current tree. Once we find its two closest relatives, we can add the missing species as a branch from their LCA. This is a conservative approach.

Ctenophora as sister to all animals

According to TimeTree, Ctenophora remains as a sister group to Cnidaria. We believe the most recent consensus in literature is to consider them a sister group to all animals. The following code block moves *Mnemiopsis leidyi*, the only ctenophore in our analysis, to the base of the metazoan lineage.

```
# moving ctenophora before porifera
mnemiopsis_taxid \( \sepecies_\) dictionary %>% filter(ncbi_name = "Mnemiopsis leidyi") %>% pull(taxid)
amphimedon_taxid \( \sepecies_\) species_dictionary %>% filter(ncbi_name = "Amphimedon queenslandica") %>% pull(taxid)

# reordering tip.labels
from_to \( \sepecies_\) c(
    "400682" = "27923", # amphimedon to mnemiopsis
    "10228" = "400682", # trichoplax to amphimedon
    "27923" = "10228" # mnemiopsis to trichoplax
)

modified_phylo \( \seption_\) phylo_graph_genus

modified_phylo[["tip.label"]] %\( \seption_\) recode(!!!from_to)

write.tree(modified_phylo, "../data/hybrid_tree_modified.nwk")
```

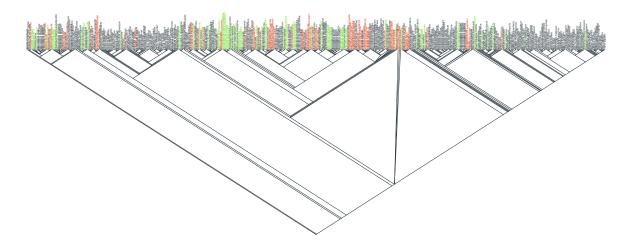


Figure 1: Complete 476 eukaryotes tree. Green species have been filled in by a genus proxy in TimeTree. Red species have been filled in by looking at NCBI Taxonomy.

Gene selection and annotation

- The anchoring point for this study is basic annotation about genes and the pathways in which they participate. This section describes the process of structuring such data. In the end we will have a table to which
- $_{159}$ $\,$ all kinds of additional data will be left joined into.

Neurotransmitter systems annotation

We start by querying the KEGG api for the pathways of interest. Resulting data is then pivoted to a wider format.

Table 5: All links between genes and pathways in KEGG.

	link_pathway_entrez									
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description					
1	$entrez_id$	character	yes	hsa:10411	NCBI Taxonomy identifier					
2	pathway_id	character	yes	path: $hsa04726$	KEGG pathway ID					

Location: data-raw/download/link_pathway_entrez.tsv

Source: http://rest.kegg.jp/link/pathway/hsa

```
pathways ← tribble(
    ~pathway_id,    ~pathway_name,
    "path:hsa04724",    "glutamatergic",
    "path:hsa04725",    "cholinergic",
    "path:hsa04726",    "serotonergic",
    "path:hsa04727",    "gabaergic",
    "path:hsa04728",    "dopaminergic"
)

# removing hsa prefix
link_pathway_entrez[["entrez_id"]] %<% str_split_n(":", 2)

# filtering for pathways of interest and pivoting</pre>
```

```
gene_pathways ← inner_join(link_pathway_entrez, pathways) %>%
  mutate(n = 1) %>%
  pivot_wider(
    id_cols = entrez_id,
    names_from = pathway_name,
    values_from = n,
    values_ff = list(n = length),
    values_fill = list(n = 0)
) %>%
  mutate(system_count = rowSums(select(., -entrez_id)))

# exporting for package use
usethis::use_data(gene_pathways, overwrite = TRUE)
```

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<U+2714> Saving 'gene_pathways' to 'data/gene_pathways.rda'

	tail(gene_pathways)										
entrez_id	glutamatergic	cholinergic	serotonergic	gabaergic	dopaminergic	system_count					
805	0	0	0	0	1	1					
808	0	0	0	0	1	1					
810	0	0	0	0	1	1					
84152	0	0	0	0	1	1					
91860	0	0	0	0	1	1					
9575	0	0	0	0	1	1					

167 Base ID lookup table

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Now we start building a base ID lookup table containing entrez gene IDs, STRING ensembl protein IDs, ensembl gene IDs, STRING protein names and entrez gene names. Every piece of data in subsequent analyses will be progressively joined to it.

Table 6: Conversion dictionary from entrez ID to STRING's ensembl protein ID.

	link_entrez_string								
# Col. name Col. type			Used?	Example	Description				
1	taxid	numeric	no	9606	NCBI Taxonomy ID				
2	$entrez_id$	numeric	yes	7157	entrez gene ID				
3	$string_id$	character	yes	9606.ENSP00000269305	STRING ID				

Location: data-raw/download/human.entrez_2_string.2018.tsv.gz

Source: https://string-db.org/mapping_files/entrez/human.entrez_2_string.2018.tsv.gz

Table 7: Conversion dictionary from STRING ID to protein name.

	string_names								
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description				
1	taxid	numeric	no	9606	NCBI Taxonomy ID				
2	$string_name$	character	yes	TP53	protein name				
3	$string_id$	character	yes	9606.ENSP00000269305	STRING ID				

Location: data-raw/download/human.name_2_string.tsv.gz

Source: https://string-db.org/mapping_files/STRING_display_names/human.name_2_string.tsv.gz

Table 8: Conversion dictionary from entrez ID to gene name.

	entrez_names									
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description					
1	taxid	numeric	no	9606	taxon ID					
2	$entrez_id$	character	yes	7157	entrez gene ID					
3	$entrez_name$	character	yes	TP53	gene name					
4			no		(too many unrelated fields)					

Location: data-raw/download/Homo_sapiens.gene_info.gz

Source: https://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene/DATA/GENE_INFO/Mammalia/Homo_sapiens.gene_info.gz

Table 9: Conversion dictionary from entrez ID to ensembl gene (ENSG) ID.

link_ensembl_entrez									
# Col. name Col. type Used? Examp				Example	Description				
1	$entrez_id$	character	yes	hsa:7157	entrez gene ID				
2	$ensembl_id$	character	yes	ensembl: ENSG 00000141510	ensembl gene ID				

Location: data-raw/download/link_ensembl_entrez.tsv

Source: http://rest.genome.jp/link/ensembl/hsa

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```
# removing all kegg prefixes (e.g. "hsa:")
link_ensembl_entrez %<% mutate_all(str_split_n, ":", 2)

# joining all data
gene_ids ← gene_pathways %>%
    select(entrez_id) %>%
    left_join(link_ensembl_entrez) %>%
    left_join(link_entrez_string) %>%
    left_join(string_names) %>%
    left_join(entrez_names)
```

Some STRING proteins couldn't be automatically resolved, so we perform it manually

```
gene_ids[!complete.cases(gene_ids),]
```

entrez_id	ensembl_id	string_id	string_name	entrez_name
100137049	ENSG00000243708	NA	NA	PLA2G4B
85358	ENSG00000251322	NA	NA	SHANK3
8681	ENSG00000168970	NA	NA	JMJD7-PLA2G4B
1139	ENSG00000175344	NA	NA	CHRNA7
107987478	NA	NA	NA	LOC107987478
107987479	NA	NA	NA	LOC107987479
1564	ENSG00000205702	NA	NA	CYP2D7
801	ENSG00000198668	NA	NA	CALM1
805	ENSG00000143933	NA	NA	CALM2
808	ENSG00000160014	NA	NA	CALM3

177 Neuroexclusivity

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Neuroexclusivity data consists of gene expression collected from Gexe Expression Atlas and the KEGG pathways themselves.

180 Expression neuroexclusivity

In this section we preprocess multiple wide .tsv files into a single long data.frame. We also create a template file for classifying tissues into nervous or non-nervous.

183 Resources

- We start by searching Gene Expression Atlas for experiments that have human baseline expression data at the tissue level. For each experiment, TPM expression data is downloaded to the data-raw/download/gxa/ directory. Found experiments:
 - E-MTAB-513
 - E-MTAB-2836

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• E-MTAB-3358
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- E-MTAB-3708
- E-MTAB-3716
 - E-MTAB-4344
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 - E-MTAB-5214

Reshaping data

We load and pivot all files to a long format. 196

```
read_tsv,
comment = "#",
USE.NAMES = TRUE
na.omit %>%
select(ensembl_id = `Gene ID`, tissue, tpm)
```

Cleaning

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A lot of tissue information can be collapsed into a single level (e.g. "brain" and "brain fragment" can be considered the same tissue). The cleaning is performed and expression data is exported for analysis.

```
= "hindbrain",
= "hippocampus",
= "hippocampus",
gene_expression %% filter(ensembl_id %in% gene_ids[["ensembl_id"]])
```

```
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   ## <U+2714> Saving 'gene_expression' to 'data/gene_expression.rda'
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```

head(gene_expression)						
ensembl_id	tissue	tpm				
ENSG00000010379	adipose tissue	0.1				
ENSG00000010379	adrenal gland	0.1				
ENSG00000010379	cerebral cortex	5.0				
ENSG00000010379	colon	0.1				
ENSG00000010379	duodenum	5.0				
ENSG00000010379	fallopian tube	10.0				

5 Tissue classification

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For subsequent analyses, we need to distinguish if a tissue is part of the nervous system or not. This is done by hand. The first step is to write a temp file to data-raw/temp/temp_tissue_classification.tsv with all tissue names. This serves as a base for the completed data/neuroexclusivity_classification_tissue file.

```
gene_expression %>%
  select(tissue) %>%
  unique %>%
  arrange %>%
  mutate(is_nervous = NA) %>%
  write_tsv("temp/temp_tissue_classification.tsv")
```

210 Pathway neuroexclusivity

211 In this section we create a template file for classifying pathways into nervous or non-nervous.

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For link_pathway_entrez see Table 5.

Table 10: KEGG pathway names.

pathway_names					
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description
1	pathway_id	character	yes	path:hsa04726	KEGG pathway ID
2	pathway_name	character	yes	Serotonergic synapse - Homo sapiens (human)	pathway name

Location: data-raw/download/pathway_names.tsv Source: http://rest.kegg.jp/list/pathway/hsa

214 Pathway classification

Just like tissues, we need to distinguish if a pathway is related to the nervous system or not. This is done by hand. The first step is to write a temp file to data-raw/temp/temp_pathway_classification.tsv with all pathway names. This serves as a base for the completed data/neuroexclusivity_classification_pathway.tsv file.

```
# removing species prefix "hsa:"
link_pathway_entrez[["entrez_id"]] % $\infty$ str_split_n("\\:", 2)

selected_genes_pathways $\infty$ link_pathway_entrez $\infty$ filter(entrez_id %in% gene_ids[["entrez_id"]])
unique_pathway_ids $\infty$ selected_genes_pathways % pull(pathway_id) % unique

pathway_names $\infty$ filter(pathway_id %in% unique_pathway_ids) % mutate(is_nervous = NA) % */*
```

```
write_tsv("temp/temp_pathway_classification.tsv")
```

Orthology data

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This section refers to orthology data exported for geneplast use. Essentialy, we subset the global STRING mapping between proteins and orthologous groups into a smaller dataset containing only information about the orthogroups related to our selected genes.

Table 11: Orthologous groups (COGs, NOGs, KOGs) and their proteins.

cogs						
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description	
1	taxid.string_id	character	yes	9606.ENSP00000269305	STRING protein ID	
2	start_position	numeric	no	1	residue where orthogroup mapping starts	
3	end_position	numeric	no	393	residue where orthogroup mapping ends	
4	\cos _id	character	yes	NOG08732	orthologous group ID	
5	protein_annotation	character	no	Cellular tumor antigen p53; []	protein description	

Location: data-raw/download/COG.mappings.v11.0.txt.gz

 $\textbf{Source:} \quad https://stringdb-static.org/download/COG.mappings.v11.0.txt.gz$

```
# spliting first column into taxid and string_id
cogs %% separate(taxid.string_id, into = c("taxid","string_id"), sep = "\\.", extra = "merge")

# subsetting cogs of interest
gene_cogs \( \sigma \cdot \cdo
```

```
## <U+2714> Setting active project to 'C:/R/neuro'
## <U+2714> Saving 'cogs' to 'data/cogs.rda'
```

```
usethis::use_data(gene_cogs, overwrite = TRUE)
```

```
229 ## <U+2714> Saving 'gene_cogs' to 'data/gene_cogs.rda'
```

30 Network

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In this section we search the STRING API for our proteins of interest and recompute the combined interaction score.

Retrieving network data

Querying the API endpoint for the STRING IDs we collected.

```
identifiers \( \) gene_ids \( \) pull(string_id) \( \) \( \) na.omit \( \) pasteO(collapse="%0d")

if (!file.exists("download/string_ids.tsv")) {
    postForm(
        "http://string-db.org/api/tsv/get_string_ids"
        ,identifiers = identifiers
        ,echo_query = "1"
        ,species = "9606"
        ) \( \) \( \) \( \) write("download/string_ids.tsv")
}
```

Table 12: STRING interaction network with channel specific scores.

	string_ids						
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description		
1	queryItem	character	yes	ENSP00000258400	queried term		
2	queryIndex	numeric	yes	266	index of queried term		
3	$\operatorname{stringId}$	character	yes	9606.ENSP00000258400	STRING ID		
4	ncbiTaxonId	numeric	yes	9606	NCBI Taxonomy ID		
5	taxonName	character	yes	Homo sapiens	species name		
6	preferredName	character	yes	HTR2B	common protein name		
1	annotation	character	yes	5-hydroxytryptamine receptor 2B; []	protein annotation		

Location: data-raw/download/string ids.tsv

Source: http://string-db.org/api/tsv/get_string_ids

Now we need to make sure that the API successfully resolves the protein IDs we searched for.

```
api_ids \( \to \text{read_tsv("download/string_ids.tsv", comment = "", quote = "")}

# removing taxid prefix
api_ids % \( \times \text{ mutate(stringId = str_split_n(stringId, "\\.", 2))}

# removing inexact matches (queried id is different from resolved id)
api_ids % \( \times \text{ group_by(queryItem) } \times \text{ % filter(queryItem = stringId)}

# setequal must return true if ids matched exatcly
setequal(
    gene_ids % \( \times \text{ pull(string_id) } \times \text{ % na.omit,}
    api_ids \( \times \text{ % pull(stringId)} \)
)
```

238 ## [1] TRUE

Once IDs are correct, we can query the network API endpoint to obtain the protein interaction edgelist.

```
# it is important to query this endpoint with the species prefix ("9606.")
identifiers \( \text{ api_ids } \times \text{ pull(stringId) } \times \times na.omit \times \times \{ paste0("9606.", ., collapse="%0d") \}

if (!file.exists("download/string_edgelist.tsv")) \{
    postForm(
        "http://string-db.org/api/tsv/network"
        ,identifiers = identifiers
        ,species = "9606"
        ) \times \times
        write("download/string_edgelist.tsv")
}
```

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Table 13: STRING interaction network with channel specific scores.

	string_edgelist						
#	Col. name	Col. type	Used?	Example	Description		
1	stringId_A	character	yes	ENSP00000215659	STRING ID (protein A)		
2	$stringId_B$	character	yes	ENSP00000211287	STRING ID (protein B)		
3	$preferredName_A$	character	yes	MAPK12	common protein name (protein A)		
4	$preferredName_B$	character	yes	MAPK13	common protein name (protein B)		
5	ncbiTaxonId	numeric	yes	9606	NCBI Taxonomy ID		
6	score	numeric	yes	0.948	combined score		
7	nscore	numeric	yes	0	gene neighborhood score		
8	fscore	numeric	yes	0	gene fusion score		
9	pscore	numeric	yes	0.014223	phylogenetic profile score		
10	ascore	numeric	yes	0	coexpression score		
11	escore	numeric	yes	0.485	experimental score		
12	dscore	numeric	yes	0.9	database score		
13	tscore	numeric	yes	0.02772	textmining score		

Location: data-raw/download/string_edgelist.tsv **Source:** http://string-db.org/api/tsv/network

Recomputing scores

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"In STRING, each protein-protein interaction is annotated with one or more 'scores'. Importantly, these scores do not indicate the strength or the specificity of the interaction. Instead, they are indicators of confidence, i.e. how likely STRING judges an interaction to be true, given the available evidence. All scores rank from 0 to 1, with 1 being the highest possible confidence."

For the sake of this project, we will only use experimental and database scores with a combined value >= 0.7, a high confidence threshold according to the STRING database. The combined score is given by the following expression, as stated in von Mering C et al, 2005:

$$S = 1 - \prod_{i} (1 - S_i)$$

Analysis

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Root inference

To estimate the evolutionary root of a given gene, i.e. the ancestor from which its genetic archetype (orthologous group) is vertically inherited, we use orthologous group annotation from the STRING database. The presence and absence of orthologous groups in the species of a cladogram are used to determine its most likely ancestor. Loading initial resources:

```
library(tidyverse)
library(magrittr)
library(geneplast)
library(ape)
library(XML)
library(rentrez)
library(neurotransmissionevolution)

data(
   cogs,
   gene_cogs,
   string_eukaryotes,
   package = "neurotransmissionevolution"
)

phyloTree 
   read.tree("../data/hybrid_tree_modified.nwk") %>% rotatePhyloTree("9606")
```

259 We perform some minor data formatting before feeding it to geneplast

```
# formating cogdata column names for geneplast
cogs %<% rename(protein_id = string_id, ssp_id = taxid) %>% select(protein_id, ssp_id, cog_id)
# adding species names to taxid tree
phyloTree %<% list_modify(
   tip.alias = string_eukaryotes %$% string_name[match(phyloTree[["tip.label"]], taxid)]
)</pre>
```

Geneplast

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Geneplast's groot.preprocess function structures an ogr object on which groot will perform the rooting.
We then retrieve the numeric root (groot.get("results")) for the cogs_of_interest, that is, orthologous groups pertaining to neurotransmission genes.

```
cogs_of_interest \leftarrow gene_cogs %>% pull(cog_id) %>% unique

ogr \leftarrow groot.preprocess(
    cogdata = cogs,
    phyloTree = phyloTree,
    spid = "9606",
    cogids = cogs_of_interest
)

roots \leftarrow groot(ogr, nPermutations = 1) %>%
    groot.get("results") %>%
    rownames_to_column("cog_id") %>%
    select(cog_id, root = Root)

write_tsv(roots, "geneplast_roots.tsv")

# setwd("plots/roots/")
# groot.plot(ogr, plot.lcas = TRUE, width=10, height=20, cex.lab = 0.2, cex.nodes = 0.4)
# setwd("../../")
```

66 Clade names

Each root branches to a clade that diverged from humans some time in the past. It is nice to have these clades taxonomically named to ease our interpretation. Unlike NCBI Taxonomy, TimeTree's internal nodes are not named. Therefore, we query the NCBI Taxonomy API to try to find most clade names automatically. It is important to note that we are using a hybrid tree primarily built from TimeTree data. This means NCBI Taxonomy naming will not perfectly match clades in our tree. For instance, root #36 branches to a clade containing 38 species from the SAR supergroup, but also 1 species from the Haptista rank, namely *Emiliania huxleyi*. The Haptista group is a sister clade to SAR, so it might be the case that *Emiliania huxleyi* is actually correctly placed together with SAR species by TimeTree, given their evolutionary proximity. Resolving these naming conflicts is not trivial and falls out of our scope.

Phyletic patterns

²⁷⁸ Visualizing the presence/absence matrix according to inferred roots and species' clades

```
lca_names ← read_tsy("geneplast_clade_names.tsv") %>% rename("lca" = root)
lca_spp ← ogr@spbranches %>% rename("taxid" = ssp_id, "species" = ssp_name, "lca" = `9606`)
# Saving for use in abundance computation
```

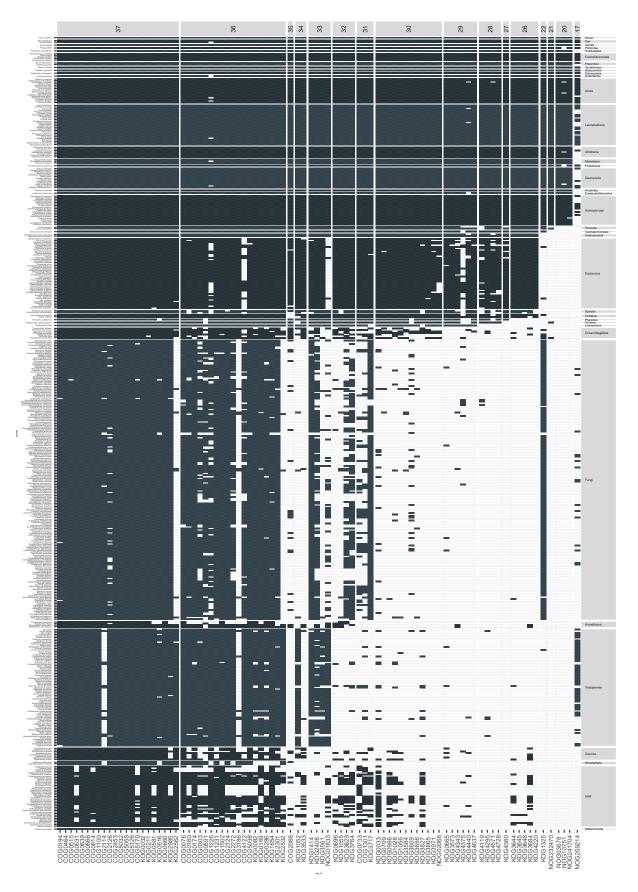


Figure 2: Presence of orthologous groups in species. The horizontal axis is grouped by COGs rooted at some specific LCA. The vertical axis is grouped by species' clades. A checkerboard pattern is superimposed to aid visual examination.

281 Neuroexclusivity

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We characterize genes' relevance to the nervous system by inspecting what proportion of its activity is related to nervous processes. We relied on tissue RNA-Seq data, as well as KEGG's pathways themselves. Loading resources.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(magrittr)

data(
    gene_ids
    ,gene_pathways
    ,gene_expression
    ,package = "neurotransmissionevolution"
)
```

286 Expression neuroexclusivity

We start by averaging all gene_expression collected from the Expression Atlas by tissue (tpm_avg). The averaged expression is filtered for values greather than 0.5 TPM. This ensures further computations only account for tissues in which genes are actually expressed. Then, we add the manual tissue classification indicating which tissues are nervous or not (described in Preprocessing). The neuroexclusivity index for a gene is the sum of its tpm_avg values in nervous tissues divided by the sum its values in all tissues.

```
tissue_classification \( \to \text{ read_tsv(} \)
    file = ".../data/neuroexclusivity_classification_tissue.tsv"
    ,col_types = "ci"
)

# Averaging TPM expression by tissue
avg_by_tissue \( \to \text{ gene_expression } \text{%\%} \)
group_by(ensembl_id, tissue) \( \text{ %\%} \)
summarise(tpm_avg = mean(tpm)) \( \text{ %\%} \)
left_join(tissue_classification)

# Measuring expression neuroexclusivity
expression_neuroexclusivity \( \to \text{ avg_by_tissue } \text{ %\%} \)
group_by(ensembl_id) \( \text{ %\%} \)
summarise(expression_neuroexclusivity = sum(tpm_avg[is_nervous = 1])/sum(tpm_avg)) \( \text{ %\%} \)
write_tsv("neuroexclusivity_expression.tsv")
```

Pathway neuroexclusivity

To find the pathway neuroexclusivity of a gene, we simply divide the count of nervous pathways by the count of all pathways it participates in.

```
pathway_classification ← read_tsv(
    file = "../data/neuroexclusivity_classification_pathway.tsv"
    ,col_types = "cci"
)
link_pathway_entrez ← read_tsv(
    file = "../data-raw/download/link_pathway_entrez.tsv"
    ,col_names = c("entrez_id", "pathway_id")
    ,col_types = "cc"
)
# Removing "hsa:" prefix
link_pathway_entrez[["entrez_id"]] %◇% str_split_n("\\:", 2)
# Pathway data related to our genes of interest
selected_genes_pathways ← link_pathway_entrez %>%
```

```
filter(entrez_id %in% gene_ids[["entrez_id"]]) %>%
left_join(pathway_classification) %>%
drop_na # Dropping general pathways

# Measuring pathway neuroexclusivity
pathway_neuroexclusivity \( \sim \text{ selected_genes_pathways %>%} \)
group_by(entrez_id) %>%
summarise(pathway_neuroexclusivity = sum(is_nervous)/length(is_nervous)) %>%
write_tsv("neuroexclusivity_pathway.tsv")
```

98 Network

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²⁹⁹ In this section we search the STRING API for our proteins of interest and recompute their combined interaction score.

301 Graph data

302 Loading resources.

Joining all gene data and creating the network graph object.

```
# If a gene has more than 1 COG, select the oldest one.
# This is unusual, but can happen in cases of gene fusion, for instance.
gene_cogs % > %
  inner_join(cog_roots) % > %
  group_by(string_id) % > %
  filter(root = max(root)) % > %
```

Generating the network layout (i.e. node coordinates).

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```
if(file.exists("network_layout.tsv")) {
    layout \( \times \text{read_tsv("network_layout.tsv", col_types = "dd") %>% as.matrix
} else {
    layout \( \times \text{vivagraph}(g, precompute_multiplier = 200, precompute_niter = 1000)
}

# inserting layout coordinates into graph object
V(g)$x \( \times \text{layout}[, 1]
# layout matrix comes vertically flipped
V(g)$y \( \times -\text{layout}[, 2]
```

 $_{\rm 309}$ $\,$ Generating tidy edge coordinates for plotting.

```
# Recreating the vertices data.frame, now with layout coordinates (lazy)
vertices ← igraph::as_data_frame(g, what = "vertices") %>% rename(string_id = name)

# The edges data.frame will be used to draw lines with geom_line
edges ← string_edgelist %>%
    map(match, vertices[["string_id"]]) %>%
    map_dfr(~ vertices[.x,]) %>%
    select(x:y) %>%
    cbind(group = 1:nrow(string_edgelist))
```

Setting up reusable aesthetic parameters for the plots.

```
,scale_color_manual(values = element_colors %>% darken(0.25))
,scale_radius(range = c(1.75, 5.00), guide = FALSE)
past_fill ← "#FFFFFF" # past nodes' fill color
past_color ← "#888888" # past nodes' border_color
   shape = ifelse(ne, "square filled", "circle filled"),
color_node = ifelse(ne, "#000000", element_colors[annotation] %>% darken(0.2)),
color_pie = ifelse(ne, "#000000", NA),
\text{rest}_{aes} \leftarrow \frac{\text{aes}(x = x, y = y, \text{label} = \text{string\_name})}{\text{pie\_aes}} \leftarrow \frac{\text{aes}(x = x, y = y, \text{group} = \text{string\_id}, r = \text{size}^{(0.94)} - 1.5)}
```

```
data = edges
   ,mapping = edge_aes
   ,color = edge_color
   ,size = 0.1
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              plot_text ← geom_text(
  data = vertices
,mapping = text_aes
,size = 1
,vjust = 0
              , nudge_y = 0
, alpha = 0.5
)
               plot_pies ← geom_scatterpie(
   data = vertices
                  ,cols = systems
,color = NA
               fig1a ← ggplot() +
  plot_theme +
               plot_nodes ← geom_point(
   data = vertices
                  uata = vertices
,mapping = aes(x, y, fill = annotation, color = annotation, size = size)
,shape = 21
,stroke = 0.5
               fig1b ← ggplot() +
  plot_theme +
                  plot_nodes +
plot_scales +
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```

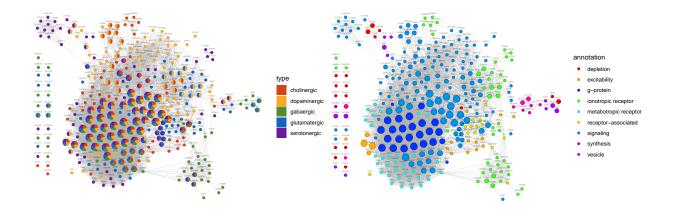


Figure 3: The human neurotransmission network with nodes colored by neurotransmitter systems (left) and neurotransmission functions (right).

```
ggsave("plots/fig1_raw.pdf", width = 14, height = 7, onefile = F, useDingbats = F)
```

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```
,quote_escape = F
)

write_tsv(
    x = pajek_nodes %>% select(id, name, pathway_neuroexclusivity)
    ,path = "network_viacomplex_pathway.dat"
)
write_tsv(
    x = pajek_nodes %>% select(id, name, expression_neuroexclusivity)
    ,path = "network_viacomplex_expression.dat"
)
```

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The process for generating Figures 3 and 4 (as well as Supplementary Figures 2 and 3) is roughly the same. It consists of finding what nodes have numeric roots in a given range. In our analysis, the largest root is numbered 37 and represents the furthest human common ancestor in the cladogram (the Human-Metamonada LCA, as seen in previous sections). Root #1 is represented by *Homo sapiens* itself.

The nodes we need to draw are either current_nodes (roots in a specified numeric range), or past_nodes (roots > such specified range). The edges we need to draw are all edges between both sets of nodes.

Figure 3A

Figure 3B

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For Figure 3B, we want to see what nodes have numeric roots < 37 (Human-Metamonada LCA) and >= 26 (Human-Cnidaria LCA).

```
# Finding which genes should be drawn current_genes \leftarrow vertices %>% filter(root < 37 \delta root \geqslant 26) past_genes \leftarrow vertices %>% filter(root = 37)
data = partial_edges
,mapping = edge_aes
,color = edge_color
,size = 0.1
plot_past ← geom_point(
   data = past_genes
   ,mapping = aes(x, y, size = size)
,fill = past_fill
,color = past_color
,shape = past_genes$shape
,stroke = 0.25
plot_text ← geom_text(
   data = current_genes
,mapping = text_aes
   ,size = 1
,vjust = 0
,nudge_y = 1.75
,alpha = 0.5
   plot_current_pies +
plot_pie_fill +
```

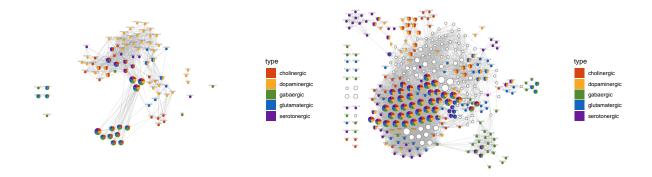


Figure 4: The human neurotransmission network with nodes colored by neurotransmitter systems and neurotransmission functions.

```
ggsave("plots/fig3_raw.pdf", width = 14, height = 7, onefile = F, useDingbats = F)
```

Additionally, we cumulatively count nodes by their categories (function and neuroexclusivity) and inferred root:

```
cumulative_emergence ← vertices %>%
    select(root, annotation, is_neuroexclusive = ne) %>%
    # Adding clade info
    right_join(clade_names) %>%
    # Pivoting from wide to long
    pivot_longer(annotation:is_neuroexclusive, values_ptypes = list(value = "character")) %>%
    # Counting nodes by category (name) for each root
    count(root, clade_name, name, value) %>%
    # Making absent counts explicit
    group_by(name) %>%
    complete(nesting(root, clade_name), name, value, fill = list(n = 0)) %>%
    # No reason to include NA observations in cumulative sum
    na.omit %>%
    # Cumulative sum node count at each root
    group_by(name, value) %>%
    mutate(cumulative_count = order_by(-root, cumsum(n)))
```

Plotting such cumulative counts:

```
cumulative_emergence % % ungroup %>%

# Creating ordered factors for plotting
mutate(
    clade_name = fct_reorder(clade_name, -root)
    ,value = fct_reorder(value, name)
)

ggplot(cumulative_emergence) +
#---- Barplot -----
geom_bar(
    mapping = aes(clade_name, cumulative_count, group = value)
    ,stat = "sum"
    ,fill = "#999999"
    ,show.legend = F
) +
#---- Lines -----
geom_line(
    mapping = aes(clade_name, cumulative_count, group = value, color = value)
    ,size = 1
```

```
) +
#---- Styling -----
scale_color_manual(values = element_colors) +
facet_grid(name ~ .) +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 1, hjust = 1))
```

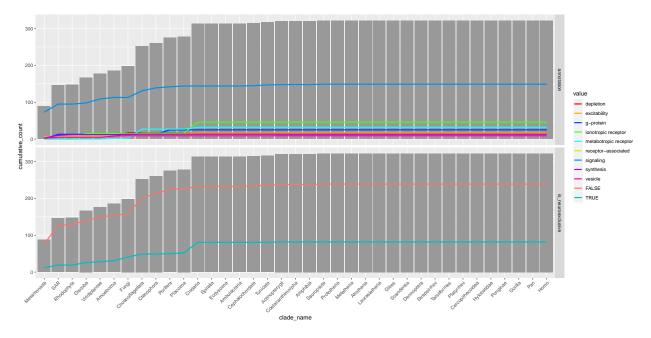


Figure 5: Cumulative node counts by categories at each root.

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Visualizing nodes with roots \leq 30 (Human-Porifera LCA) and \geq 26 (Human-Cnidaria LCA) at every distinct root.

```
plot_size \( \int \text{ scale_radius}(\text{range} = c(0.5, 1.3), \text{ guide} = \text{FALSE})

fig4 \( \int \text{ roots}[\text{roots} \geqref{\geqref{2}} & \text{ forting which genes should be drawn} \)
current_genes \( \int \text{ vertices } \limits \left\{ \text{ filter}(\text{root} = .x) \)
past_genes \( \int \text{ vertices } \left\{ \text{ will filter}(\text{root} > .x) \)

# Finding which edges should be drawn
partial_ids \( \int \text{ c(current_genes[["string_id"]], past_genes[["string_id"]]) \)
which_edges \( \int \text{ apply(string_edgelist, 1, function(r) all(r \left\{ \text{kink} partial_ids})) \)
partial_edges \( \int \text{ edge_s(which_edges,} \)

plot_edges \( \int \text{ geom_path(} \)
data = partial_edges
,mapping = edge_aes
,color = edge_color
,size = 0.1
)

plot_past \( \text{ geom_point(} \)
data = past_genes
,mapping = aes(x, y, \text{ size} = \text{ size})
,fill = past_genes
,mapping = aes(x, y, \text{ size} = \text{ size})
,fill = past_genes\text{ shape}
,stroke = 0.25
)
```

```
plot_text ← geom_text(
    data = current_genes
,mapping = text_aes
,size = 0.8
,vjust = -0.5
,mudge_y = 1
,alpha = 0.5
)

plot_current_nodes ← geom_point(
    data = current_genes
,mapping = aes(x, y, fill = annotation, size = size)
,color = current_genes$color_node
,shape = current_genes$shape
,stroke = 0.25
)

remove_legend ← guides(fill = "none", colour = "none")

# Assembling
ggplot() +
ggtitle(paste(.y, "LCA")) +
diff_theme +
xy_lin +
plot_edges +
plot_past +
plot_current_nodes +
plot_gest +
plot_current_nodes +
plot_size +
plot_size +
plot_size +
plot_size +
plot_size +
plot_size +
plot_text +
remove_legend
})

fig4 ← invoke(grid.arrange, fig4, ncol = 5)
```

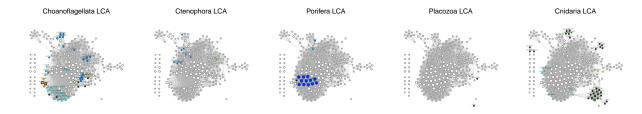


Figure 6: The human neurotransmission network with nodes rooted between roots 30 (Human-Choanoflagellata LCA) and 26 (Human-Chidaria LCA).

```
ggsave(
  "plots/fig4_raw.pdf"
,plot = fig4
,width = 9*0.8
,height = 5*0.8
,onefile = F
,useDingbats = F
)
```

347 Set diagrams

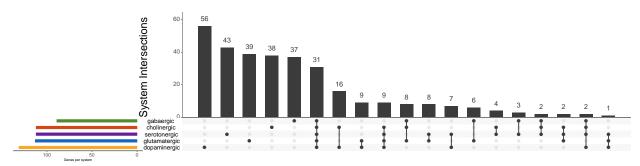
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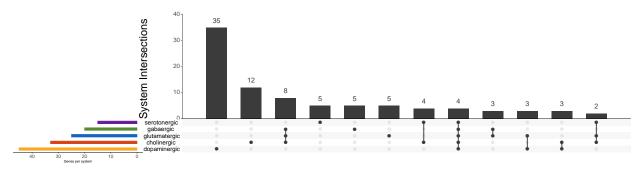
Given the difficulties of joining ggplot and base plots, the set diagrams have to be plotted by themselves:

```
# We have to manually find the correct order of colors
# Because UpSetR does not understand named vectors
get_colors ← function(df) {
   ordered_systems ← df %>%
```

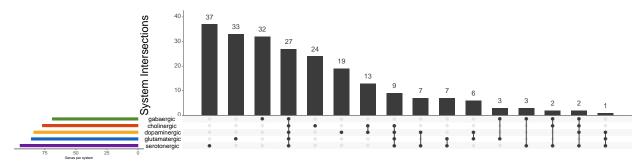
```
mb.ratio = c(0.7, 0.3)
,order.by = "freq"
,mainbar.y.label = "System Intersections"
,sets.x.label = "Genes per system"
,text.scale = upset_texts
                    = 3.5
= 1
  ,sets.x.label = "Genes per system"
dev.print(pdf, "plots/fig3a_set_raw.pdf", width = 16, height = 8, onefile = F, useDingbats = F)
upset(
   fig3b_set
  ,sets.bar.color = get_colors(fig3b_set)
```



(a) Set diagram for Figure 1A



(b) Set diagram for Figure 3A



(c) Set diagram for Figure 3B

Figure 7: Set diagrams

Supplementary Figures 2 and 3

Supplementary figures 2 and 3 help us see what nodes have been rooted at each LCA. Nodes rooted at previous LCAs are painted white.

```
,mapping = partial_ed
,mapping = edge_aes
,color = edge_color
,size = 0.1
)
    data = partial_edges
    data = past_genes
,mapping = aes(x, y, size = size)
,fill = past_fill
,color = past_color
,shape = past_genes$shape
,stroke = 0.25
 plot_text ← geom_text(
   data = current_genes
,mapping = text_aes
    ,size = 1
,vjust = 0
    ,nudge_y = 1.75
    data = current_genes
    ,cols = systems
,color = NA
    plot_current_pies +
    plot_pie_fill +
    plot text
     data = current_genes
    ,mapping = aes(x, y, fill = annotati
,color = current_genes$color_node
,shape = current_genes$shape
,stroke = 0.25
```

Abundance

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Abundance is the average number of proteins in neurotransmission orthogroups present in a species. This abundance is decomposed by orthogroup function. The orthogroup function is considered to be the function of its humans proteins in neurotransmission, as described in previous sections. In other words: "what would be the average number of"X"-related proteins in neurotransmission COGs in a species?" Loading initial resources:

We start by setting up reusable data frames with useful metrics.

```
# If a gene has more than 1 COG, select the oldest one.
# This is unusual, but can happen in cases of gene fusion, for instance.
gene_cogs %◇%
    inner_join(cog_roots) %>%
    group_by(string_id) %>%
    filter(root = max(root))

# The function of a COG is the function of its proteins
cog_annotation ← gene_ids %>%
    inner_join(gene_cogs) %>%
    inner_join(gene_annotation) %>%
    distinct(cog_id, annotation)

# Number of proteins in a COG in every species
cog_size_by_taxid ← cogs %>%
    filter(cog_id %in% gene_cogs[["cog_id"]]) %>%
```

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Abundance is finally computed as the number of proteins pertaining to a function divided by the number of neurotransmission COGs in a species.

```
abundance_by_function ← cog_size_by_taxid %>%
group_by(taxid, annotation) %>%
summarise(abundance = mean(cog_size)) %>%
# Adding species and clade info
left_join(ordered_species)
```

70 Plotting:

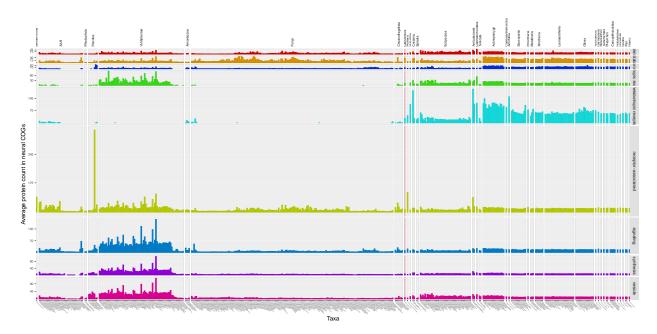


Figure 8: Abundance values by species. Species are ordered like in Supplementary Figure S1.

373 Abundances averaged by clades:

```
ggplot(abundance_by_function) +
  geom_bar(
    aes(x = clade_name, y = abundance, fill = annotation, color = after_scale(darken(fill, 0.1)))
    ,stat = "summary"
    ,fun = "mean"
) +
  scale_fill_manual(values = annotation_colors, guide = "none") +
  facet_grid(annotation ~ ., scales = "free") +
  theme(
    panel.spacing = unit(1, "pt")
    ,strip.text.y = element_text(angle = 0, hjust = 0)
    ,axis.text.x = element_text(size = 5, angle = -45, vjust = 0, hjust = 0)
```

```
,axis.text.y = element_text(size = 5)
)
```

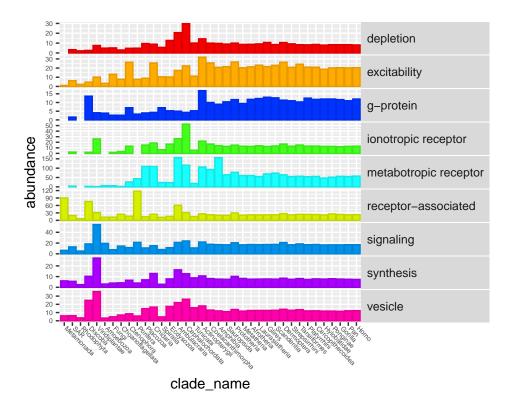


Figure 9: Abundances averaged by clades.

Breaking the data even further into the number of proteins in each neurotransmission COG.

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```
,strip.text.y = element_text(size = 4, angle = 0, hjust = 0)
,axis.text.x = element_text(size = 1.25, angle = -45, vjust = 0, hjust = 0)
,axis.text.y = element_text(size = 4)
,axis.ticks = element_line(size = 0.1)
)
```

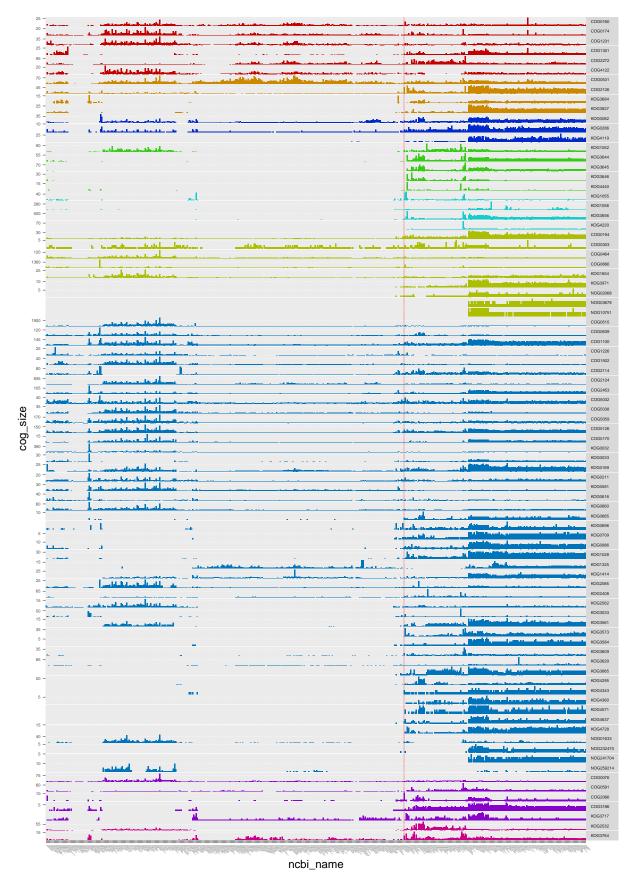


Figure 10: Number of proteins in each neurotransmission COG, for every species.