Data analysis: Project 2 Group 4

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First of all, a broad analysis containing all samples of the NCI60 panel with 15 different cancer drugs was performed. In the specific analysis we focused on the drug erlotinib, which is an inhibitor of EGFR. Three milestones were defined to analyse which pathways are mostly regulated due to the drug treatment. The first one included finding the celllines which have the strongest fold change and the most regulated genes (biomarkers). Secondly, the correlation between the drug sensitivity of the various celllines (GI50) and the EGR1 expression was analysed. In the last part, we analysed the effect of erlotinib on different pathways using the package PROGENY and illustrating the fold change in gene expression due to the drug in a heatmap.

Load data

Firstly, the data generated from the NCI60 cellline panel is downloaded and the various tables are saved as data frames.

```
NCI_TPW_gep_treated <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14720180?private_link=db1411.NCI_TPW_gep_untreated <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14720183?private_link=db1411.NCI_TPW_metadata <- read.delim("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14720186?private_link=db1411debc.NegLogGI50 <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14720210?private_link=074e0120fe5e68.CCLE_basalexpression <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14770127?private_link=fc0c7.CCLE_copynumber <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14770130?private_link=fc0c71246d.CCLE_mutations <- readRDS(url("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14770133?private_link=fc0c71246d.cellline_annotation <-read.delim("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14768981?private_link=efb6a529.drug_annotation <- read.delim("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/14768984?private_link=efb6a529.eaf
```

1. Broad analysis

Data preparation and annotation

Calculate fold change due to drug treatment

The begin of the project includes some preparation of the data and annotation. Since the gene expression values are already logarithmic, the fold change caused by the drug can be calculated by substracting the untreated values (as a control of normal gene expression for each gene in each cellline) from the treated ones.

```
fold_changes <- NCI_TPW_gep_treated - NCI_TPW_gep_untreated
fold_changes <- as.data.frame(fold_changes)</pre>
```

Renaming of cellline SK-MEL-2

One problem, which occured at the first structuring of the data by using the grep() function was that the cellline name SK-MEL-2 is part of cellline SK-MEL_28. To solve this we renamed that cellline to SK-MEL-2.

Annotation of all sample names

A matrix is created, which contains for each sample name the drug, cellline and cancertype. This matrix is later used for labeling and coloring of our plots.

1. Drug

2. Cellline

3. Cancertype

```
cancertype <- sapply(annotation[, 2], function(x){
    #2nd column contains cellline annotation of samples
    cellline_annotation$Cancer_type[cellline_annotation$Cell_Line_Name == x]
})
cancertype <- as.vector(unlist(cancertype))
annotation <- cbind(annotation, "Cancertype" = cancertype)
rm(drugs, sample_drug, cellline, sample_cellline, cancertype)</pre>
```

Preparation for Coloring

Create a vector which assigns each drug or each cancertype a color. These color vectors were used for coloring of the plots and creating the corresponding legends. For this purpose we searched for a color palette containing 15 colors, which are easy to distinguish. However, we only found some like RColorBrewer, which had no palette containing at least 15 distinguishable colors. Therefore we just defined our own color_palette by using the names of easily distinguishable colors.

1. Coloring according to drug (color vector all drugs)

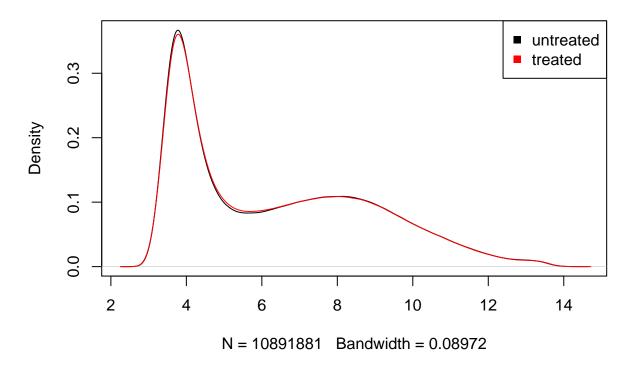
2. Coloring according to cancertype (color_vector_cancertype)

Density plot

To show the distribution of all gene expression values, a density plot was drawn. The black line contains all values measured for control samples (untreated). In red the distribution of the gene expression of all samples treated with 15 drugs is shown.

```
plot(density(NCI_TPW_gep_untreated), "Density plot of gene expression")
lines(density(NCI_TPW_gep_treated), col = "red")
legend("topright", legend = c("untreated", "treated"), col = c("black", "red"), pch = 15)
```

Density plot of gene expression

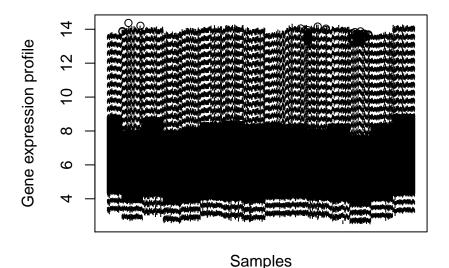


As expected, there can be hardly seen any difference between both curves. One reason for that is that the gene expression of most of the 13299 genes did not change due to the drug.

Boxplot

In a next step the gene expression profile of each untreated sample was visualized in a boxplot to look, whether the complete expression profiles look the same over all samples or whether normalization is needed.

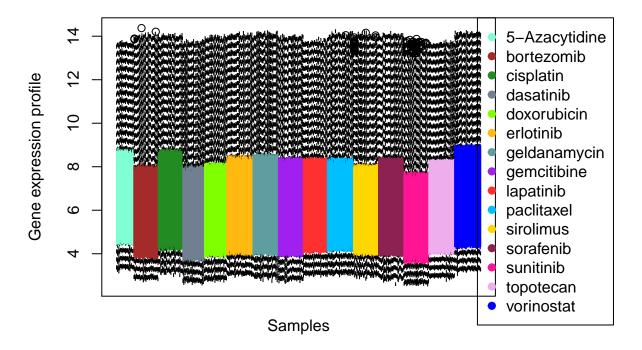
Gene expression profile of untreated NCI60 celllines



In the boxplot sudden differences occurring with a regular pattern can be observed. An explanation for that could be that the gene expression of the samples was measured at different points of time or at different laboratories. This raised the question, whether these batches match with the 15 drugs these control measurements of untreated expressions were made. Therefor, the boxes were colored according to the drug the control was used for.

Color plot according to drugs

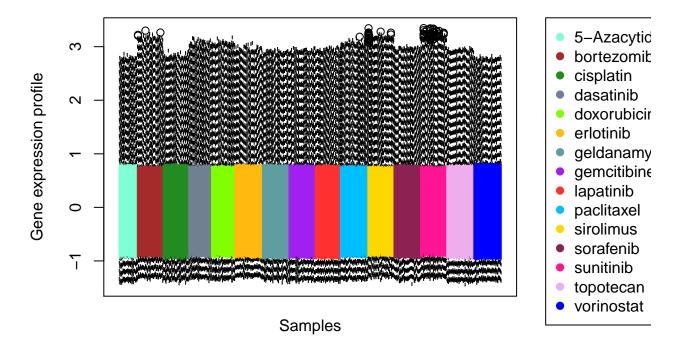
Gene expression profile of untreated NCI60 celllines



Since the batches exactly match the different drugs for which the untreated expression was determined, a **normalization** is necessary if the values over the various drugs should be comparable.

```
#each sample should have mean 0 and sd 1
untreated_normalized <- apply(NCI_TPW_gep_untreated, 2, function(x){
  (x - mean(x)) / sd(x)
FC_normalized <- apply(fold_changes, 2, function(x){</pre>
  (x - mean(x)) / sd(x)
})
#boxplot of normalized untreated values
par(mar = c(4, 4, 4, 7), xpd = "TRUE")
boxplot(untreated_normalized,
        xaxt = "n",
        ylab = "Gene expression profile",
        vertical = T,
        main = "Normalized gene expression profile of untreated NCI60 celllines",
        boxcol = color_vector_drug)
title(xlab = "Samples", line = 1.0)
legend("topright",
       legend = names(color_palette_drug),
       col = color_palette_drug,
       pch = 19,
       inset = c(-0.4, 0))
```

Normalized gene expression profile of untreated NCI60 celllines

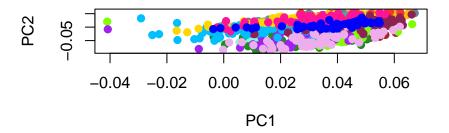


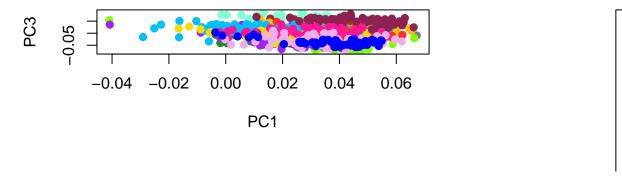
PCA

A principal component analysis is used for dimensionality reduction. With these technique it is possible to depict most of the variance observed in the gene expression changes due to drug treatment (foldchange) over all samples. The points were colored firstly according to drug and secondly according to cancertype to see whether there are clusters corresponding to drug treatment or cancertype.

Coloring according to drug

PCA of FC colored according to drug





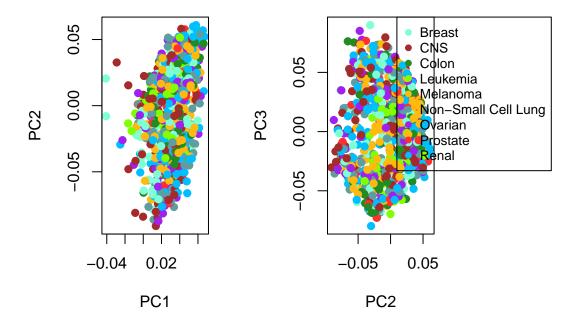
In the PCA plot it can be seen that the celllines treated with the same drug accumulate in certain areas.

Coloring according to cancertype

```
par(oma = c(1, 1, 1, 8), mfrow = c(1, 2))
#PC1 and PC2
plot(pca$rotation[,1],
```

```
pca$rotation[,2],
     col = color_vector_cancertype,
     pch = 19,
     xlab = "PC1",
     ylab = "PC2")
#PC2 and PC3
plot(pca$rotation[,2],
     pca$rotation[,3],
     col = color_vector_cancertype,
     pch = 19,
     xlab = "PC2",
     ylab = "PC3")
legend("topright",
       legend = names(color_palette_cancertype),
       col = color_palette_cancertype,
       pch = 19,
       xpd = "TRUE",
       inset = c(-1.1, 0),
       cex = 0.8)
mtext("PCA of FC colored according to cancertype",
      side = 3,
      line = -2,
      font = 2, #bold
      outer = TRUE)
```

PCA of FC colored according to cancertype



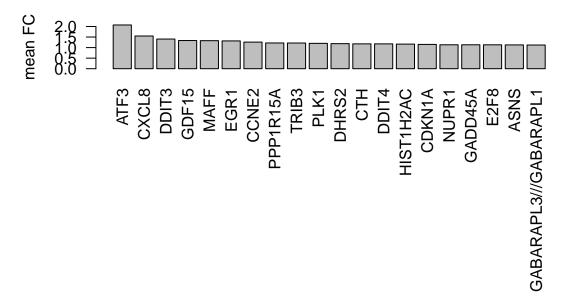
```
rm(pca)
```

The colors showing which cancertype a cellline belongs to seem rather random distributed in the PCA plot. No clustering between the celllines beeing part of the same cancertype can be observed.

Most regulated genes

Barplot to find genes, which were mostly regulated by all cancer treatments

Genes with highest mean in absolute FC

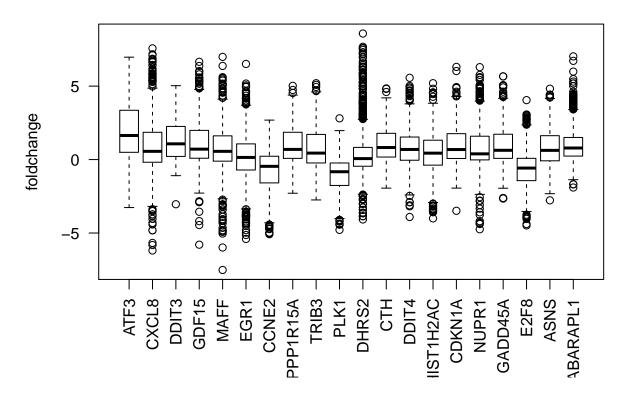


Boxplot of genes with highest mean FC

```
#FC_samples_with_highest_mean_FC contains the gene expression of the 20 biomarkers (20 columns) of all
FC_samples_with_highest_mean_FC <- data.matrix(as.data.frame(sapply(names(mean_FC_abs)[1:20], function(sapply(names(which(x == rownames(fold_changes)),]))))</pre>
```

```
boxplot(FC_samples_with_highest_mean_FC,
    ylab = "foldchange",
    main = "boxplot of foldchange of the genes with highest mean FC",
    las=2)
```

boxplot of foldchange of the genes with highest mean FC



Specific analysis: Erlotinib

2. Milestone: find most affected cell lines and genes

Data preparation

Erlotinib treated cell lines are selected and the matrix of the foldchange is normalized

```
#new matrix only with samples/columns treated with erlotinib (e=erlotinib)
e_treated <- NCI_TPW_gep_treated[,grep ("erlotinib", colnames(NCI_TPW_gep_treated))]
e_untreated <- NCI_TPW_gep_untreated[,grep ("erlotinib", colnames(NCI_TPW_gep_treated))]

#z-Transformation of e_treated/e_untreated to get mean=0 and sd=1
e_treated_norm <- apply(e_treated, 2, function(x){
    (x - mean(x)) / sd(x)
})
e_untreated_norm <- apply(e_untreated, 2, function(x){
    (x - mean(x)) / sd(x)</pre>
```

```
# calculate foldchange by subtracting e_untreated_norm from e_treated_norm
e_foldchange <- e_treated_norm - e_untreated_norm

#colnames of e_foldchange with cellline instead of complete sample name
cellline <- sapply(colnames(e_foldchange), function(x){
   annotation[x,"Cellline"]
})
colnames(e_foldchange) <- cellline</pre>
```

Most regulated cell lines

Table of 15 cell lines

Cell lines, which showed the highest variance over all genes were selected

```
#select 15 cell lines with highest variance (greater than 75% quantile, sorted by decreasing value)
var_cell_line <- apply(e_foldchange, 2, var)
cell_line_var_greater_75quantile <- sort(var_cell_line [which (abs(var_cell_line) > quantile(abs(var_ce
cell_line_var_greater_75quantile <- round(cell_line_var_greater_75quantile, digits=5)

#add column with cell line for top15 celllines
celllines_top15 <- as.data.frame(names(cell_line_var_greater_75quantile))

#add column with cancertype for top15 celllines
annotation_cancertype <- annotation[,"Cancertype"]
names(annotation_cancertype) <- colnames(e_foldchange)
cancertypes_top15 <- sapply(names(cell_line_var_greater_75quantile), function(x) {annotation_cancertype}})
table_cell_lines_var_top15 <- cbind(celllines_top15, cell_line_var_greater_75quantile, cancertypes_top1

colnames(table_cell_lines_var_top15) <- c("Cellline", "Variance", "Cancertype")
rownames(table_cell_lines_var_top15) <- c(1:nrow(celllines_top15))
print(table_cell_lines_var_top15)</pre>
```

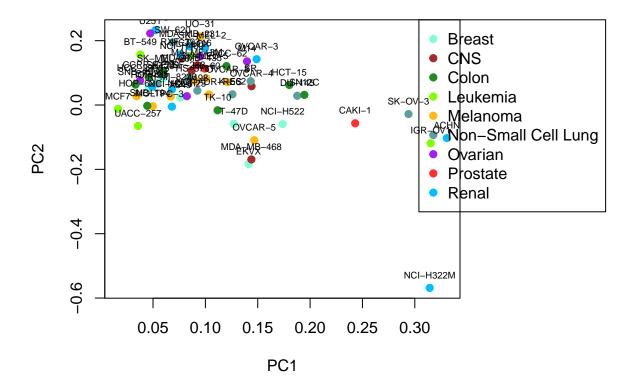
```
Cellline Variance
                               Cancertype
   NCI-H322M 0.06908
                                    Renal
1
2
        ACHN 0.05200
                                    Renal
3
     IGR-OV1 0.05028
                                 Leukemia
     SK-OV-3 0.04505 Non-Small Cell Lung
4
5
     OVCAR-3 0.03199
                                    Renal
6
      CAKI-1 0.03058
                                 Prostate
7
       HL-60 0.02822
                                 Melanoma
8 MDA-MB-468 0.02715
                                      CNS
9
    CCRF-CEM 0.02586
                                    Colon
       SN12C 0.02567
                                    Colon
10
    NCI-H522 0.02355
11
                                   Breast
12
        KM12 0.02155 Non-Small Cell Lung
13
       K-562 0.02088 Non-Small Cell Lung
      HCT-15 0.02072
                                    Colon
15 MDA-MB-231 0.02071
                                    Renal
```

PCA

PCA is performed to find cell lines, which differ most from the other cell lines

```
#PCA with transformed matrix (each point represents a sample):
par(mar = c(4,4,4,10))
pca <- prcomp(e_foldchange)</pre>
plot(pca$rotation[,1],
     pca$rotation[,2],
     col=color_vector_cancertype,
     pch=19,
     xlab = "PC1",
     ylab="PC2",
     main = "PCA of cell lines")
legend("topright",
       legend = names(color_palette_cancertype),
       col = color_palette_cancertype,
       pch = 19,
       xpd = TRUE,
       inset = c(-0.41, 0))
#label points
text(pca$rotation[ ,1],
     pca$rotation[ ,2],
     colnames(e_foldchange),
     pos = 3,
     cex = 0.6)
```

PCA of cell lines



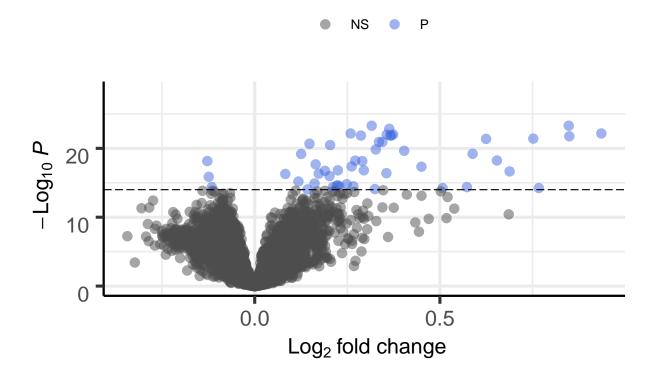
Most regulated genes

Volcano plot

Create volcano plot to find the genes with the highest fold change and highest significance

```
#mean of gene expression of each gene over all cell lines
e_foldchange_mean_over_cell_lines <- rowMeans(e_foldchange) #equal to e_treated_mean_over_cell_lines -
\#determine\ the\ p-value\ for\ a\ paired\ two-sample\ t-test
p_values <- sapply(rownames(e_treated_norm), function(x) {</pre>
 t.test(e_treated_norm[x,], e_untreated_norm[x,],paired= T)$p.value}) # perform t-test and save p-value
FDR_values <- p.adjust(p_values, method = "BH", n = length(p_values)) #calculate FDR with benjamini-hoch
#table of results
statistics_values <- cbind(e_foldchange_mean_over_cell_lines, FDR_values)
#coloring with package enhanced volcano
#install package EnhancedVolcano (needs ggplot2, ggrepel)
library(EnhancedVolcano)
EnhancedVolcano(statistics_values,
                lab = rownames(statistics_values),
                x = "e_foldchange_mean_over_cell_lines", #colname of FC values in this table (statistic
                y = "FDR_values", #colname of FDR (statistics_values)
                title = "Volcano plot of all genes",
                pCutoff = 10e-15, #threshold for coloring significant ones
                FCcutoff = 1, #threshold for coloring high FC
                transcriptPointSize = 3,
                transcriptLabSize = 3.0)
```

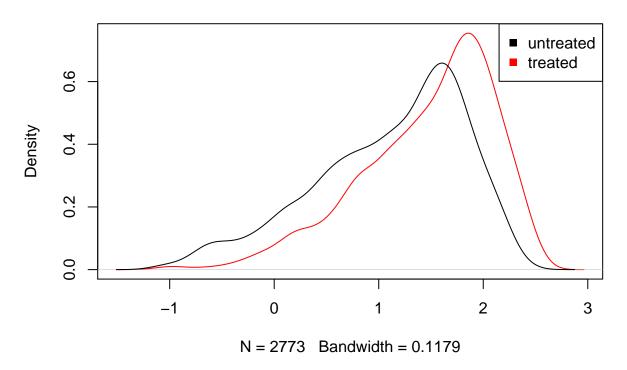
Volcano plot of all genes



Density plot

Draw a density plot only with biomarkers identified by volcano plot

Density plot of gene expression



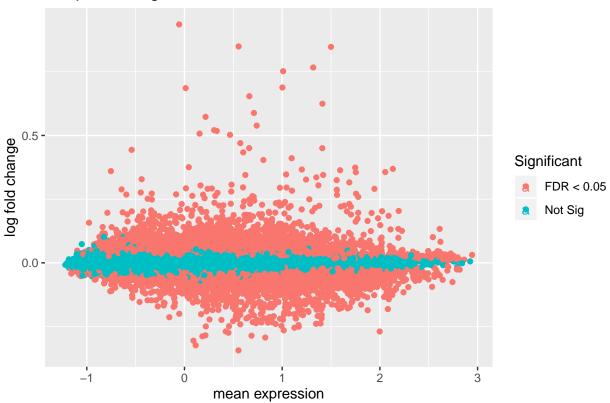
MA-Plot

Draw an MA plot to compare the fold change to the mean expression of all genes

```
#install package and load ggplot2 and ggrepel
library(ggplot2)
library(ggrepel)
#create matrices with the variables M and A of a MA-plot
M <- e_foldchange # M= log2(treated) - log2 (untreated)
A <- 1/2*(e_treated_norm+ e_untreated_norm) # average log2-expression value A = 1/2 (log2(treated)+log2)
MA <- cbind("M"= rowMeans(M), "A" = rowMeans(A), FDR_values)
rm(M, A)
MA <- as.data.frame(MA)
MA$Significant <- ifelse(MA$FDR_values<0.05, "FDR < 0.05", "Not Sig")
#matrix with important genes of MA plot
#MA plot labeled with important genes of MA plot
ggplot(data=MA)+
 aes(x=A, y=M, color= Significant)+
 geom_point()+
 xlab("mean expression")+
 ylab("log fold change")+
```

```
ggtitle("MA plot of all genes")+
geom_text(data=MA_labeled, aes(A, M, label=rownames(MA_labeled)))
```

MA plot of all genes

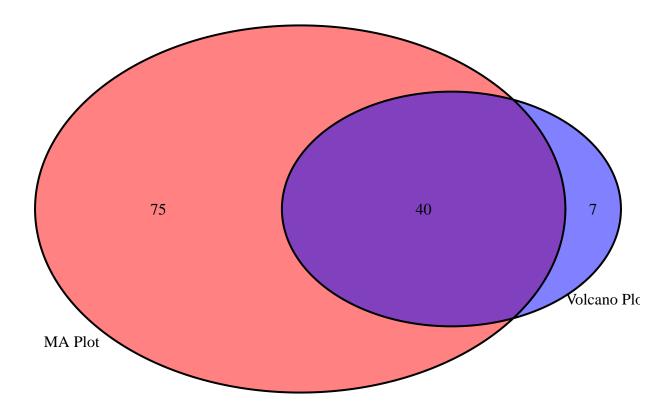


Venn Diagram

Venn Diagramm is drawn to compare the most regulated genes by volcano plot and MA plot

```
#Venn Diagram with biomarkers of volcano plot and MA plot
library(VennDiagram)
biomarkers_MA_vector <- rownames(MA_labeled)
venn.plot <- venn.diagram(
    x = list(
        "Volcano Plot" = biomarkers,
        "MA Plot" = biomarkers_MA_vector
    ),
    filename = NULL, fill = c("blue", "red"), main = "Venn Diagramm of most regulated genes"
);
grid.draw(venn.plot);</pre>
```

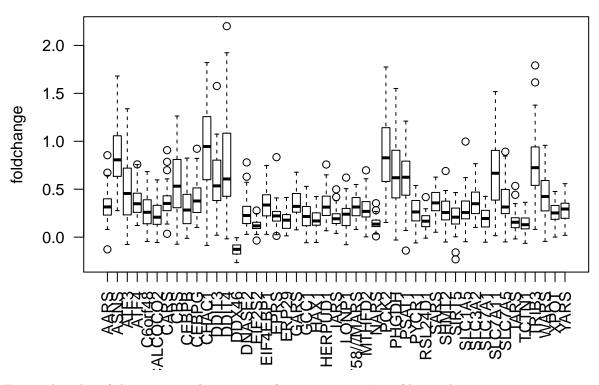
Venn Diagramm of most regulated genes



Boxplot

Draw a boxplot of the **foldchange** of biomarkers

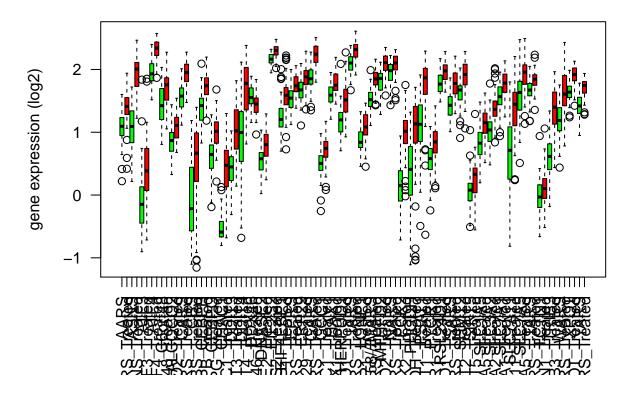
boxplot of foldchange of the biomarkers



Draw a boxplot of the untreated vs. treated gene expression of biomarkers

```
# create a matrix e_treated_biomarkers/ e_untreated_biomarkers, with the gene expression only of the bi
e_treated_biomarkers <- sapply(biomarkers, function(x){</pre>
  e_treated_norm[x, ]
e_untreated_biomarkers <- sapply(biomarkers, function(x){</pre>
  e_untreated_norm[x, ]
colnames(e_treated_biomarkers) <- paste(colnames(e_treated_biomarkers), "Treated",</pre>
                                           sep = "_") #add treated to colnames
# create a matrix, which contains gene expression of untreated and treated and sort it after colnames
e_treated_untreated_biomarkers <- cbind (e_treated_biomarkers, e_untreated_biomarkers)</pre>
e_treated_untreated_biomarkers <- e_treated_untreated_biomarkers[,order(colnames(e_treated_untreated_bi
# create a color vector, where untreated samples are green and treated ones are red
color_boxplot_e_treated_untreated <- sapply(colnames(e_treated_untreated_biomarkers), function(x) {</pre>
  ifelse(x %in% grep ("Treated",colnames(e_treated_untreated_biomarkers), value = TRUE),
         "red", "green")})
# boxplot, where treated and untreated are right next to each other
boxplot(e_treated_untreated_biomarkers, ylab= "gene expression (log2)",
        main= "boxplot of gene expression of the biomarkers", las=2, col= color_boxplot_e_treated_untre
```

boxplot of gene expression of the biomarkers

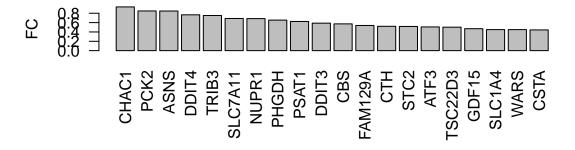


3. Milestone - Does the fold change of specific genes correlate with cell growth inhibition?

Draw a barplot of the foldchange of genes which have the highest foldchange after erlotinib treatment

```
#Barplot of genes with highest mean in FC over Erlotinib
genes_FC_erlotinb <- apply(e_foldchange, 1, mean)
genes_FC_erlotinb <- sort(abs(genes_FC_erlotinb), decreasing = TRUE)
par(oma =c(10,1,1,1))
barplot(genes_FC_erlotinb [1:20], main = "Genes with highest FC after erloinib treatment", ylab = "FC",</pre>
```

Genes with highest FC after erloinib treatment

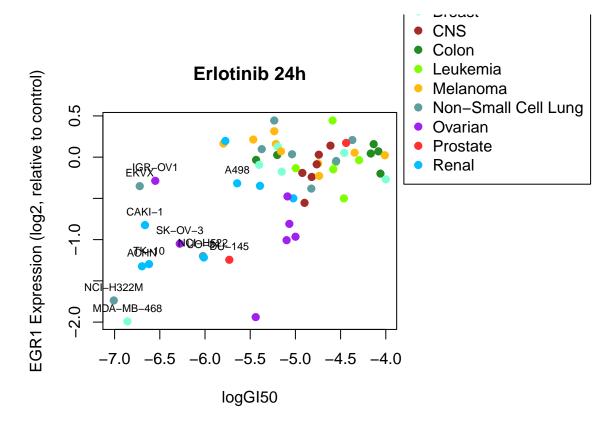


Data prepatation

```
# vector which only includes celllines which were used in e_foldchange
NegLogGI50_59_celllines <- NegLogGI50 ["erlotinib", -c(8,29)]
#@Anna: should we change the name from NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg to simply LogGI50?
NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg <- NegLogGI50_59_celllines * (-1)</pre>
```

Scatter plot: Relation between GI50 and EGR1 expression

Draw a scatterplot which include the GI50 values against the EGR1 expression revative to the untreated control. EGR1 is a transcriptional factor and is associated with the activiation of tumor suppressor genes like p53/TP53 and TGFB1, and plays an important role in the regulation of growth factor responses.



###Pearson correlation

##
Pearson's product-moment correlation

```
##
## data: NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg and e_foldchange["EGR1", ]
## t = 5.7581, df = 57, p-value = 3.57e-07
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.4147571 0.7465721
## sample estimates:
##
         cor
## 0.6064293
###linear regression between EGR1 expression and the GI50 value after erlotinib treatment
linearMod_EGR1 <- lm(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg ~ e_foldchange ["EGR1",]) # build linear regression m
summary(linearMod_EGR1)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg ~ e_foldchange["EGR1",
##
      1)
##
## Residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
## -1.5342 -0.4642 0.1366 0.4206 1.1206
## Coefficients:
                         Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                         -4.90166 0.09351 -52.419 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
## e_foldchange["EGR1", ] 0.81443
                                     0.14144
                                              5.758 3.57e-07 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.6263 on 57 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3678, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3567
## F-statistic: 33.16 on 1 and 57 DF, p-value: 3.57e-07
```

Only 25 % can be described by EGR1- expression, which makes a linear regression model kind of unfitted.

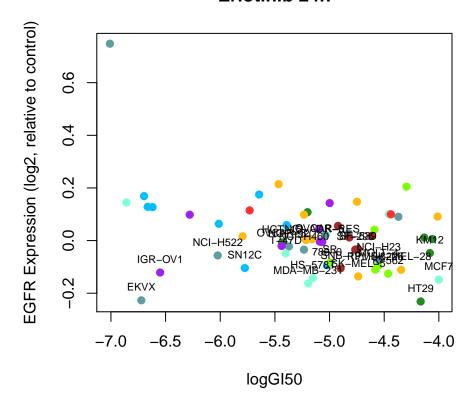
Expressionsdaten von EGFR Expression relativ to control -> Does erlotinib treatment affect her1/ EGFR expression?

```
col = color_palette_cancertype,
    pch = 19)

#label only points which have a decreased Her 1 expression after erlotinib treatment
labeled_celllines <- names(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg)[ e_foldchange["EGFR", ] < 0]

text(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg[labeled_celllines], e_foldchange ["EGFR", labeled_celllines],
    labels = labeled_celllines,
    cex = 0.7,
    pos = 3) #position of text at the top of the point</pre>
```

Erlotinib 24h



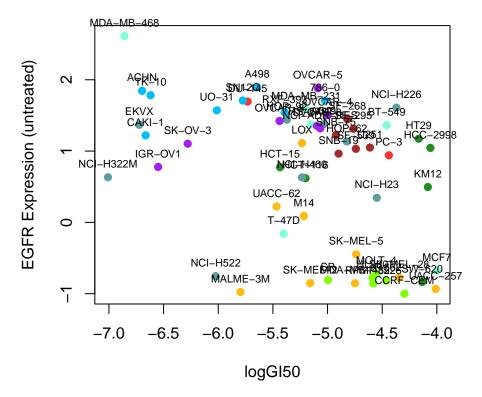
Her 1 gene expression in the untreated celllines against GI50 values

```
pch = 19,
    xpd = TRUE)

text(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg, e_untreated_norm ["EGFR",],
    labels = names(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg),
    cex = 0.7,
    pos = 3)

#Funktioniert noch nicht
abline(lm(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg ~ e_untreated_norm["EGFR",]))
```

Expression of the epidermal growth factor receptor (Her 1)



lineare regression Her 1 expression against the GI50 values

```
linearMod_Her1 <- lm(NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg ~ e_untreated_norm ["EGFR",]) # build linear regressi
summary(linearMod_Her1)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = NegLogGI50_59_celllines_neg ~ e_untreated_norm["EGFR",
##
##
## Residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -1.8639 -0.2991 0.1045 0.4745 1.2180
##
## Coefficients:
##
                             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                             -4.94209
                                         0.11430 -43.239 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
## e_untreated_norm["EGFR", ] -0.32063
                                         0.09441 -3.396 0.00125 **
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.7184 on 57 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1683, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1537
## F-statistic: 11.53 on 1 and 57 DF, p-value: 0.001251
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mode does not fit that well, only 17% can be disrecped by Her1 expression. Maybe we have to consider all types of Her receptors 1-4!!! cause the composition of Her1 and Her3/4 play a part when it comes to bad/good prognoses an therfore could play a role in the GI50 values and the success of erlotinib treatment.