

Peaks and valleys of prolactin during parental care

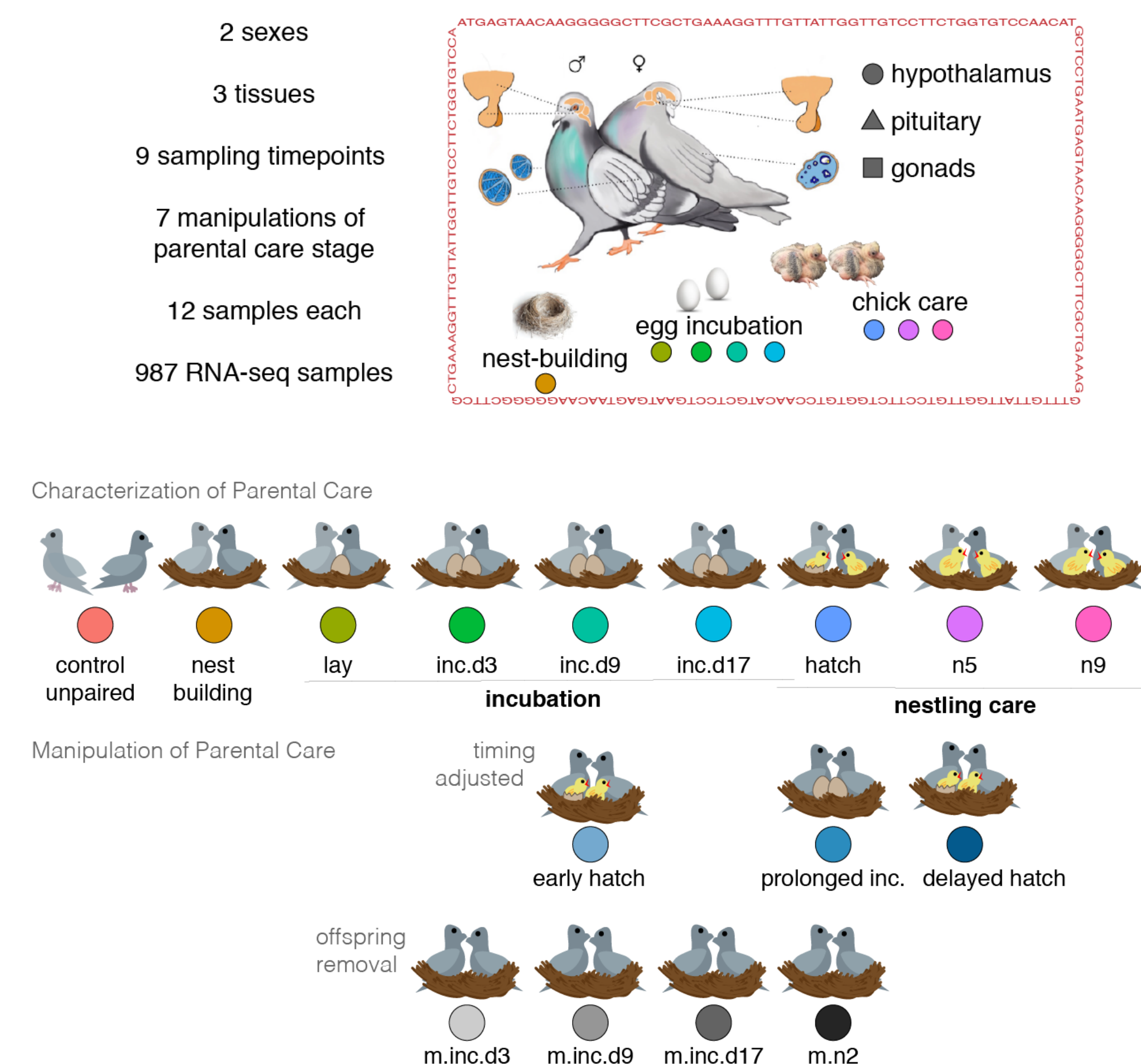
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Research background

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Using a bi-parental pigeon to explore how systems change over the course of parental care

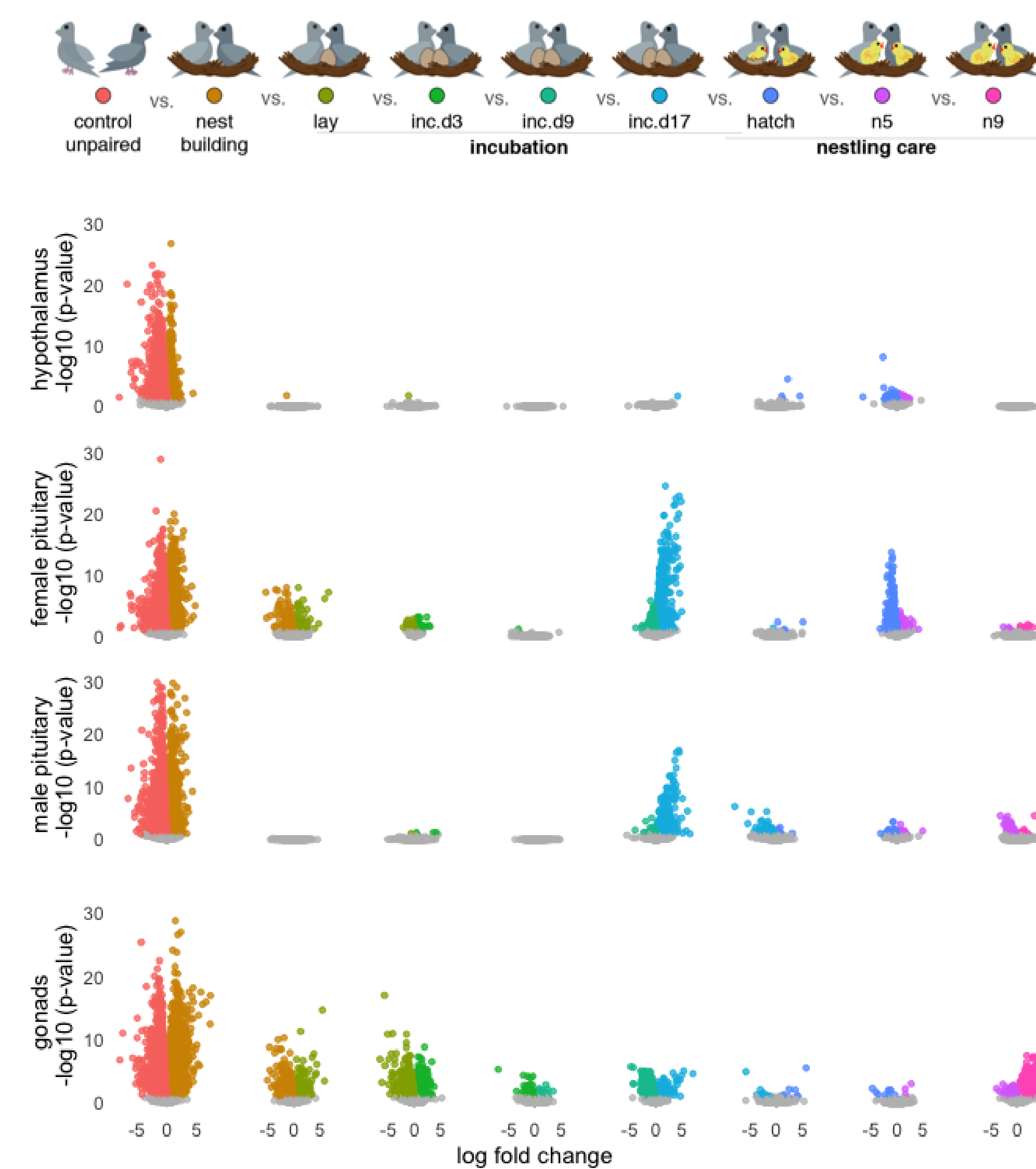


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Characterization of parental care gene expression

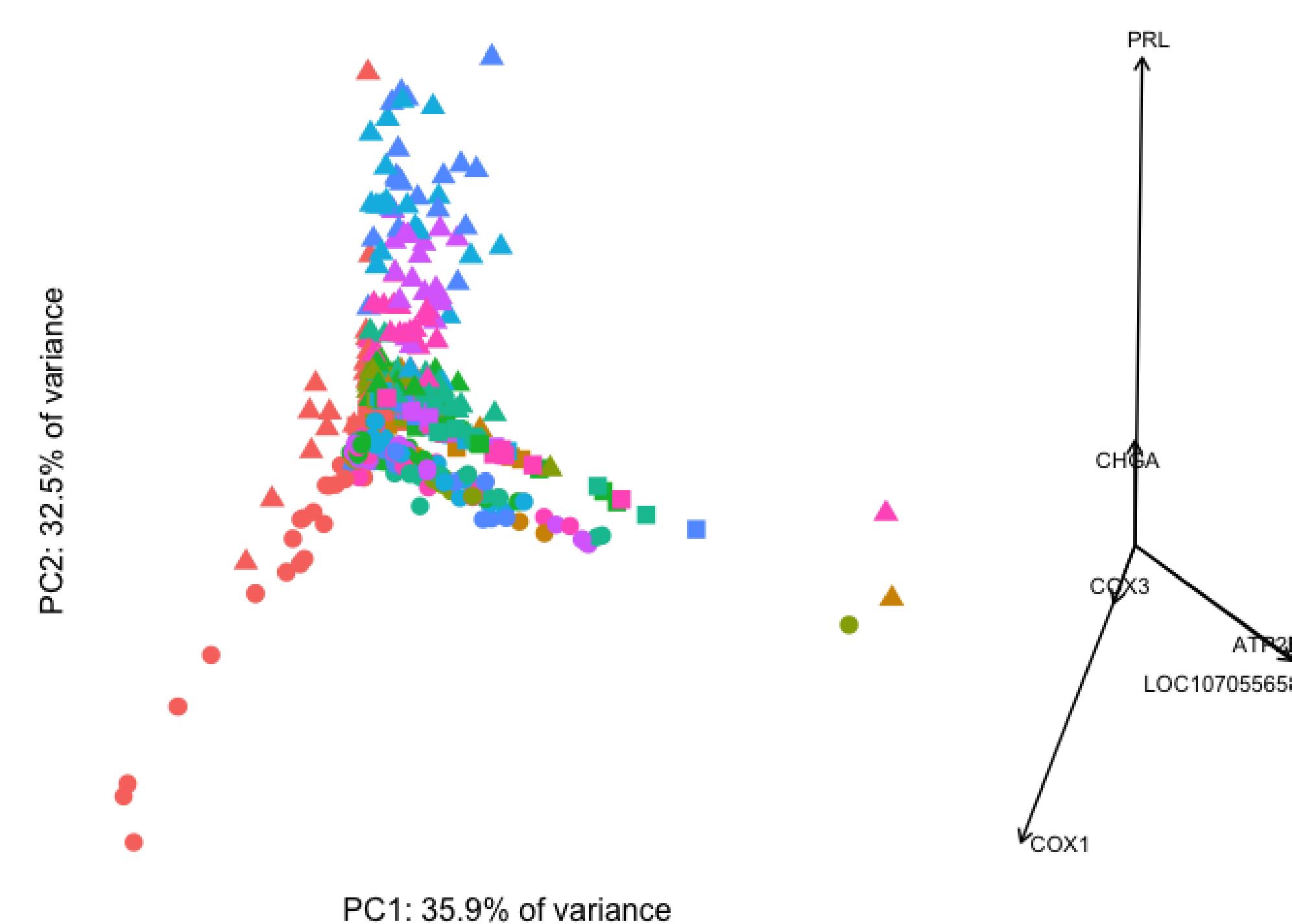
Pair-wise differential gene expression



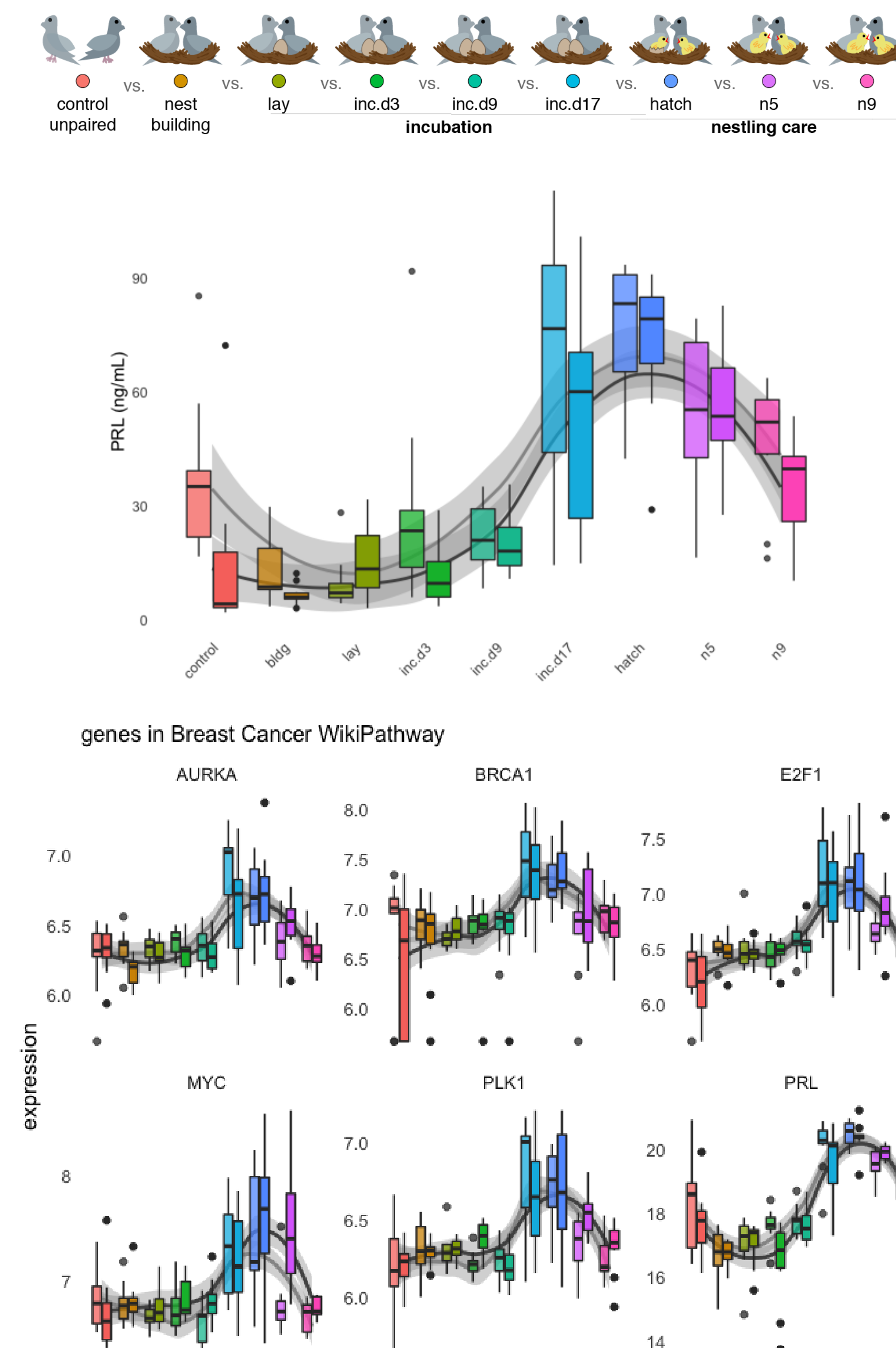
Noticable large changes in gene expression include:

- control to nest-building transition alters expression of 1000s of genes
- incubation day 9 to 17 transition alters expression of 1000s of genes

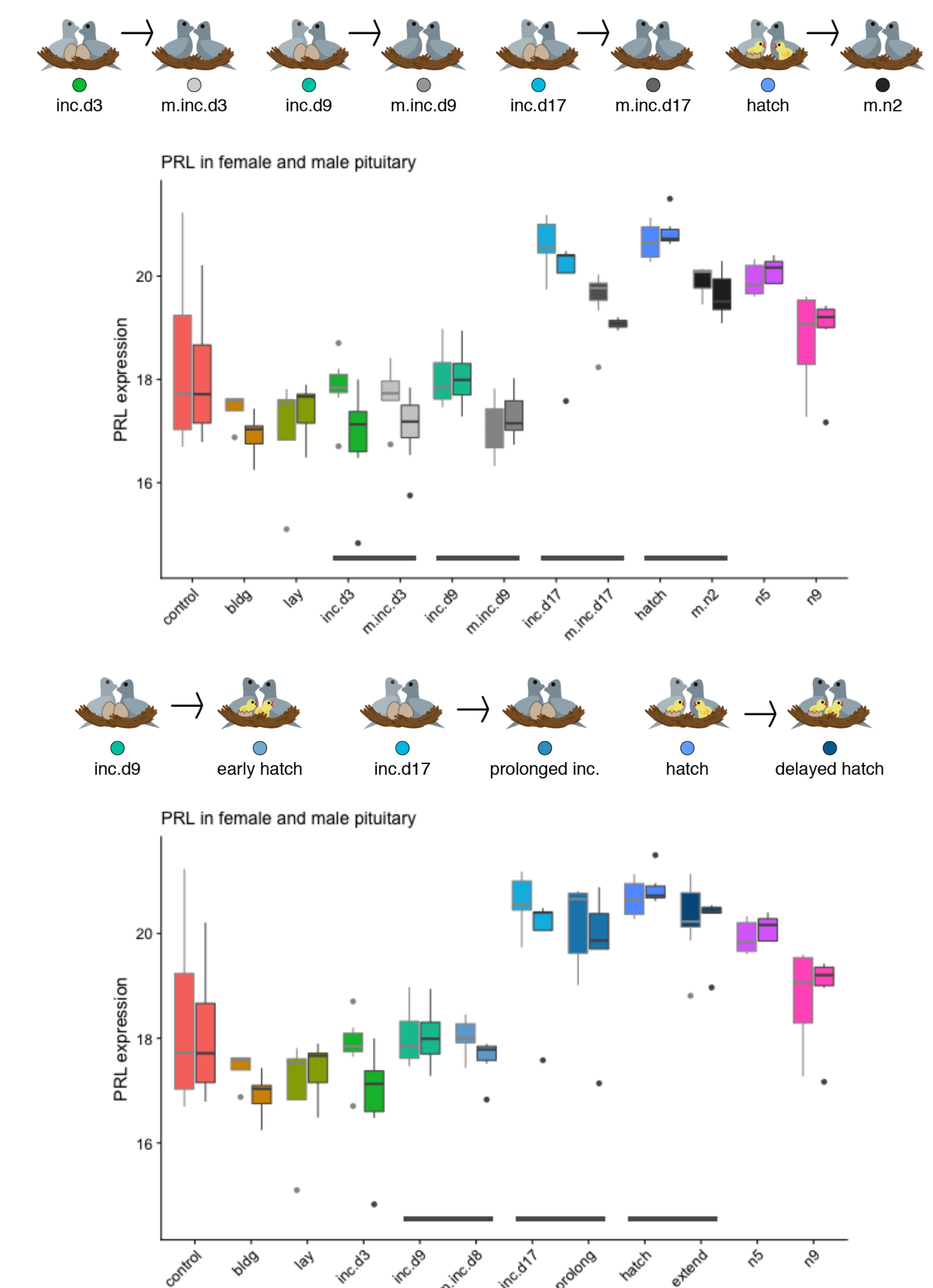
Prolactin explains much of the variation



Genes vary in concert with prolactin



Manipulation



Next steps

- Create an open source R package.
- Share tutorials for how to use the function.

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