





Inferring genomic signatures in age-related macular degeneration across different stages

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Meet Rosa

- 80 year old grandmother
- Loves observing nature
- But.....

Cannot See Properly!



The Curse of AMD

AMD : Age-related macular degeneration

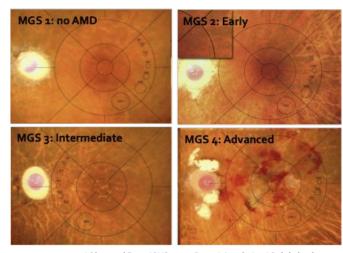


Normal vision



Loss of central vision

Ratnapriya et al., 2013, Genome Med; National Eye Institute

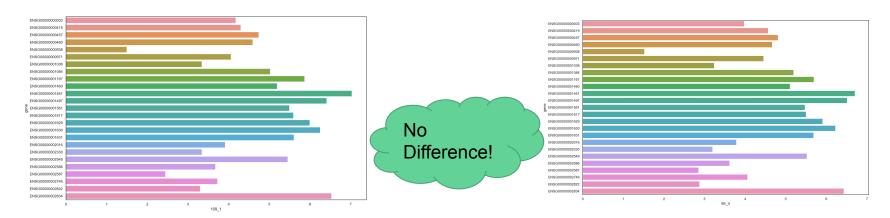


*Olsen and Feng, IOVS, 2004; Decanini et al., Am J Ophthalmol 2007

AMD has 4 distinct disease stages

Why it Matters

- Hard to prevent and treat!
- Hard to detect!
- Inevitable! High magnitude of cases per year.



Normal (Stage 1 Gene Expression)

Advanced (Stage 4 Gene Expression)

Impact

Early detection Identify Drug Targets Protect Rosa!





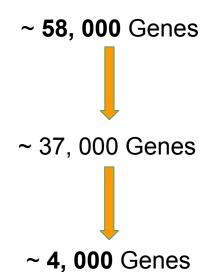


Data Preprocessing

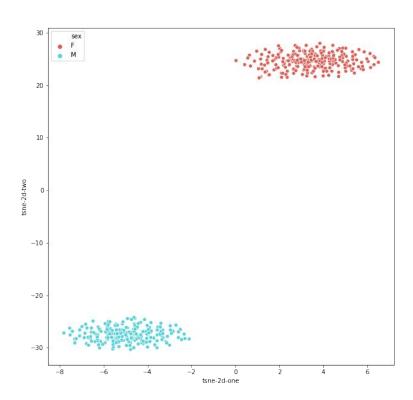
453 patients in 4 disease stages

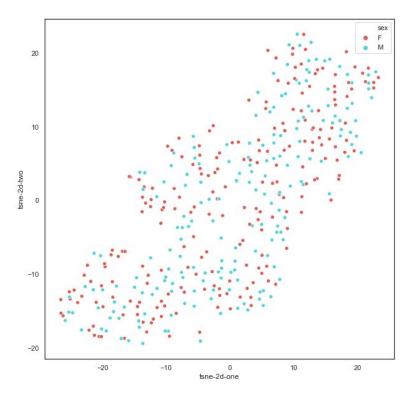
Low Variance filtering

ANOVA



Dimension Reduction





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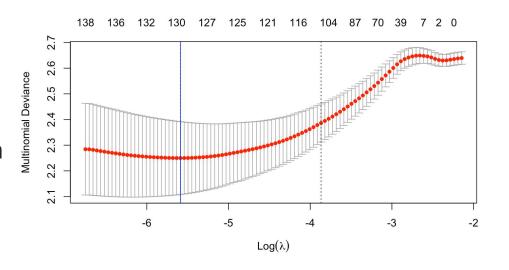
Extract set of genes that are most important to each stage of AMD

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 - LASSO Multinomial regression
 - Random forest
 - XGBoost
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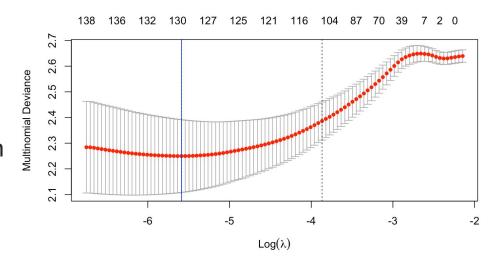
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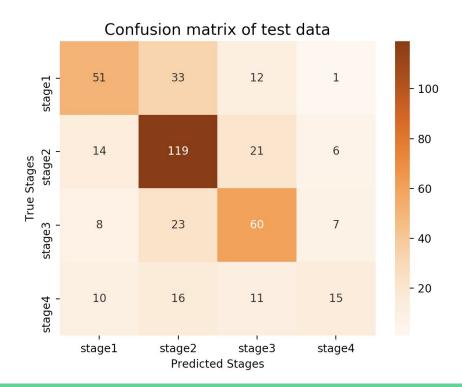


Identified important genes that overlap in all three models

DE genes found: MOXD1, PMAIP1

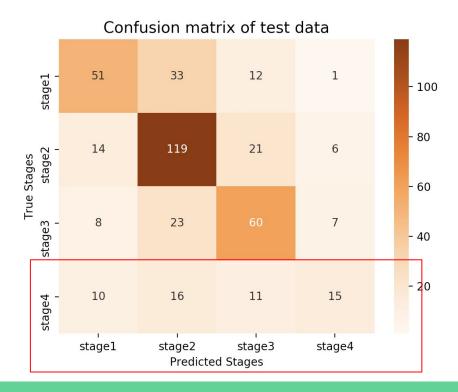
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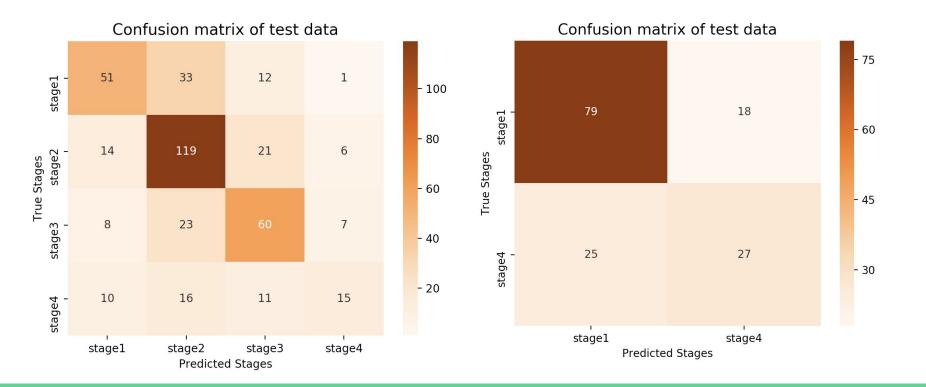
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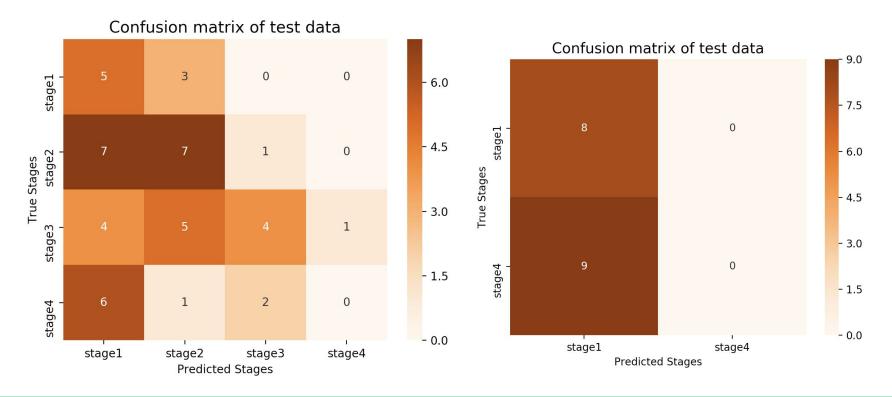
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☐ Stage 1 vs Stage 4 Accuracy: 71.1%



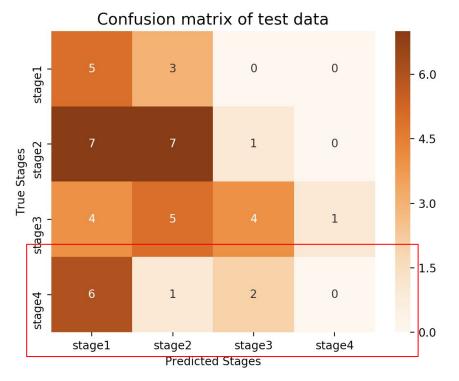
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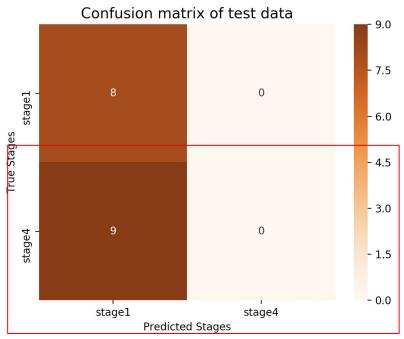
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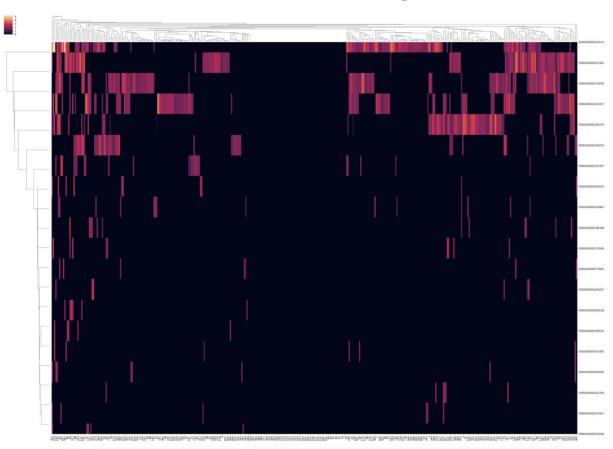
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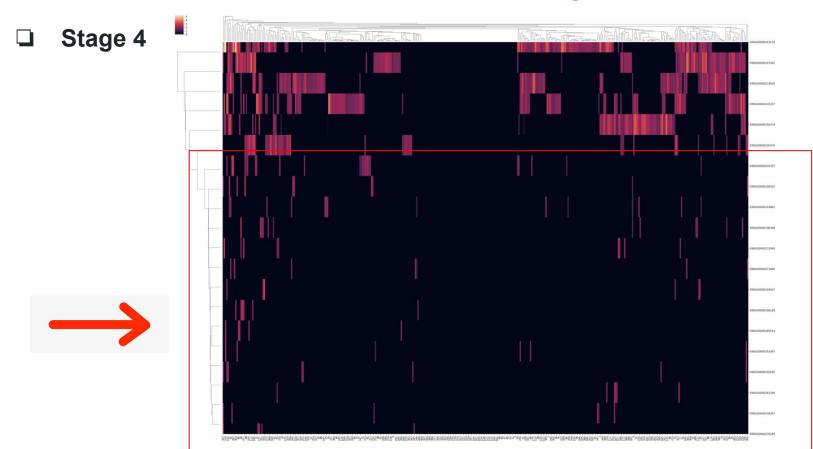


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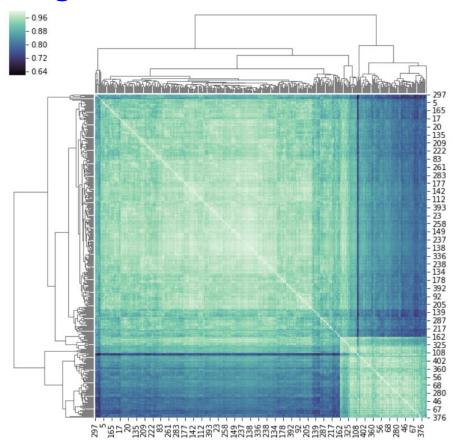
☐ Stage 4



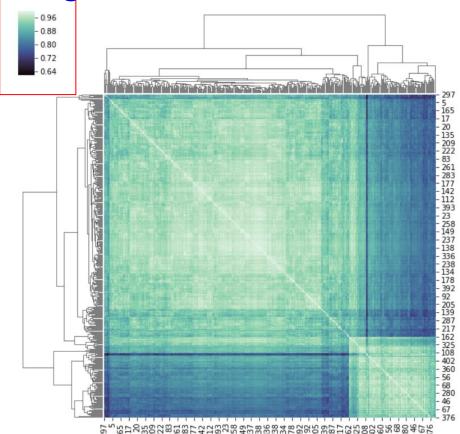
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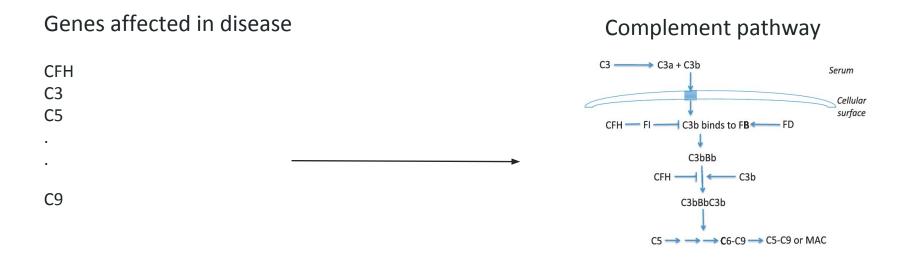
Explore genomic pathways and their association with AMD stages

Objective 3

Explore pathway networks

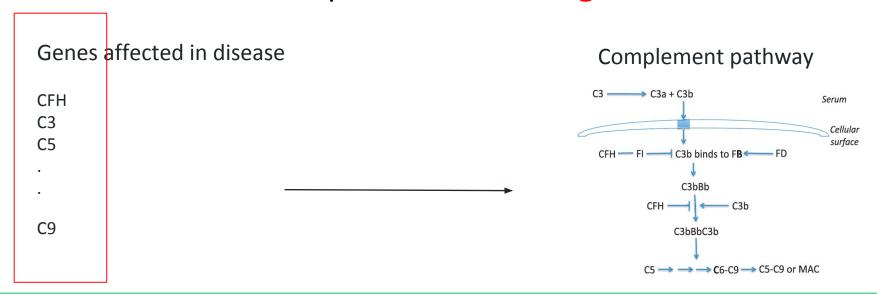
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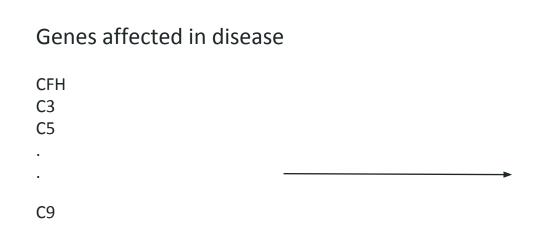
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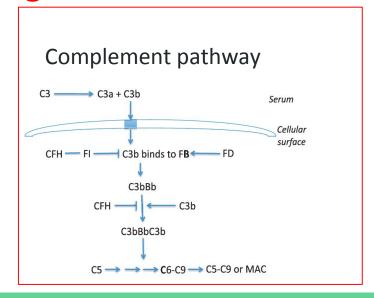
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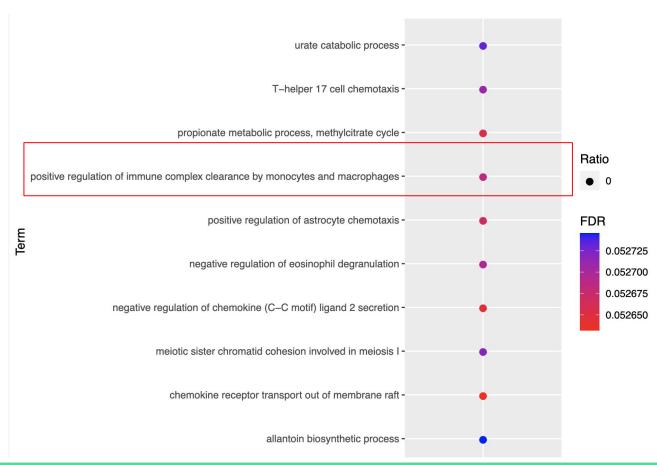




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Next step: Pathway Networks

Network comprises multiple pathways that are already known

to exist and interact with each other

Holistic view of pathways with other experimental datasets

Thank You.