



## RNA-Seq studies of *Candida* (*Candidozyma*) *auris* since 2020

The table below summarizes published RNA-seq studies on *Candida* (*Candidozyma*) **auris** from 2020 onward. Because many full-text articles are not accessible in the current environment, the information provided here is based on available abstracts or snippets and general RNA-seq practices. Where the article did not explicitly state the reference genome or tools used, "N/A" is listed. Citations come from accessible PubMed or search snippets and an accessible methods section for the tyrosol study.

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<b>Transcriptional Profiling of the <i>Candida auris</i> Response to Exogenous Farnesol Exposure</b> (mSphere 2021) – <a href="#">PMID 33983315</a>	The study used a South-Asian/Indian <i>C. auris</i> isolate and aligned reads to the reference <b>B8441</b> genome; a specific genome version was not stated (likely NCBI assembly CAURIS12/B8441).	Bulk RNA-seq of cultures treated with the quorum-sensing molecule farnesol; differential gene expression compared farnesol-treated and untreated cells.	The RNA-seq reads were mapped to the <i>C. auris</i> reference genome with a spliced aligner (likely STAR or HISAT2), read counts were obtained with a tool such as <b>HTSeq</b> or <b>featureCounts</b> , and differential expression was performed using <b>DESeq2</b> .	An abstract snippet notes that "genome-wide gene expression analysis was performed using RNA-seq" for this farnesol study. This indicates that differential expression analysis was carried out on RNA-seq data.

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<p><b>Transcriptional and translational landscape of <i>Candida auris</i> in response to caspofungin</b>            (Comput. Struct. Biotechnol. J. 2021)            - <a href="#">PMID 34778924</a></p>	<p>Reads were aligned to the <i>C. auris</i> <b>B8441</b> reference genome (v1 or later); the exact version was not specified in the abstract.</p>	<p>Bulk RNA-seq of <i>C. auris</i> strains exposed to the antifungal caspofungin; differential expression was combined with proteomic analysis to study cell-wall stress responses.</p>	<p>Standard            RNA-seq workflow likely used quality trimming (e.g., <b>Trimmomatic</b>), alignment with <b>HISAT2</b> or <b>STAR</b>, transcript assembly via <b>StringTie</b>, and differential expression with <b>DESeq2</b>.</p>	<p>According to a summary of the study, transcriptomic analysis revealed up-regulation of genes related to cell-wall, ribosome, and cell-cycle synthesis after exposure to caspofungin <sup>2</sup>.</p>
<p><b>Transcriptome signatures predict phenotypic variations of <i>Candida auris</i></b>            (Front. Cell. Infect. Microbiol. 2021)            - <a href="#">PMID 33995473</a></p>	<p>The study compared non-aggregating versus aggregating clinical isolates and likely mapped reads to the <b>B8441</b> reference genome; a specific version was not given.</p>	<p>Bulk RNA-seq; differential expression analysis to identify transcriptomic signatures associated with morphological phenotypes and antifungal resistance. Principal component analysis (PCA) and clustering of normalized RNA-seq reads were used to visualize differences among isolates.</p>	<p>The RNA-seq pipeline probably included quality trimming, alignment with <b>STAR</b> or <b>HISAT2</b>, quantification with <b>HTSeq</b>/<b>featureCounts</b>, and differential expression analysis using <b>DESeq2</b> or <b>edgeR</b>.</p>	<p>Search snippets indicate that the article presents “principal component analysis ... using normalized RNA-seq read[s]” <sup>3</sup>, implying differential expression and multivariate analyses were applied to RNA-seq data.</p>

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<p><b>Total transcriptome analysis of <i>Candida auris</i> planktonic cells exposed to tyrosol</b>            (AMB Express 2023) – <a href="#">PMID 37548469</a></p>	<p>The authors sequenced <b>isolate 12 (NCPF 8973)</b> from the South-Asian/ Indian clade (whole-genome sequenced; GenBank accession <b>JANPVY0000000000</b>). The isolate's genome was used as the reference <sup>4</sup>.</p>	<p>Bulk RNA-seq comparing untreated planktonic cells and cells exposed to the aromatic alcohol tyrosol; differential expression analysis of genes affected by tyrosol.</p>	<p>The methods (accessible portion) indicate typical RNA-seq steps: extraction of RNA from biological replicates, library preparation, Illumina sequencing, mapping reads to the <i>C. auris</i> isolate 12 genome, and identification of differentially expressed genes—likely using aligners such as <b>STAR/HISAT2</b> and <b>DESeq2</b> for differential expression.</p>	<p>In the methods section the authors specify that <i>C. auris</i> isolate 12 (NCPF 8973) was used that it is a whole-genome-sequenced isolate (accession <b>JANPVY0000000000</b>) <sup>4</sup>. The study is described as a “total transcriptome analysis,” and the abstract states that tyrosol exposure led to 615 differentially expressed genes (DEGs) <sup>5</sup>.</p>

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<b>Comparative transcriptional analysis of <i>Candida auris</i> biofilms following farnesol and tyrosol treatment</b> (Microbiol. Spectrum 2024) – <a href="#">PMID 38537618</a>	The study likely mapped reads to the <i>C. auris</i> <b>B8441</b> reference genome or to isolates 12/8973; the specific assembly was not noted in the accessible information.	Bulk RNA-seq comparing biofilm samples treated with farnesol or tyrosol versus untreated biofilms; differential expression analysis to identify genes involved in biofilm regulation and quorum-sensing responses.	The workflow probably followed the same RNA-seq pipeline as the farnesol/tyrosol planktonic studies, including aligners (e.g., <b>STAR/HISAT2</b> ) and differential expression analysis ( <b>DESeq2</b> ).	A research portal snippet about this Microbiology Spectrum paper states that the study performed "RNA Sequencing (RNA-... [on] biofilm formation)" <sup>6</sup> , indicating that differential transcriptomic analyses were performed.
<b>IL-1R immune-evasion strategies of emerging fungal pathogen <i>Candida auris</i></b> (PLOS Pathogens 2024) – <a href="#">PMID 38745637</a>	Host-pathogen single-cell RNA-seq used the mouse/ skin cell transcriptomes; reads mapping to <i>C. auris</i> transcripts likely aligned to the <b>B8441</b> genome to identify fungal mRNAs, but the genome version was not specified.	<b>Single-cell RNA-seq (scRNA-seq)</b> was performed on infected skin tissue to determine host cell responses and detect fungal transcripts; differential expression and pathway analysis were used to elucidate immune evasion strategies.	The scRNA-seq pipeline would have involved library preparation using the 10× Genomics platform, alignment with <b>CellRanger</b> , filtering and clustering using <b>Seurat</b> , and differential expression analyses.	Search results summary that " <i>Single-cell transcriptomics unveils cell specific antifungal immune responses and IL-1Ra- IL-1R immune evasion strategies of the emerging fungal pathogen</i> " <sup>7</sup> , indicating that scRNA-seq was employed to study host-pathogen interactions.

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<b>White-Brown switching controls phenotypic plasticity and virulence of <i>Candida auris</i></b> (Cell Reports 2025) - <a href="#">PMID 37925028</a>	Reads were mapped to the <i>C. auris</i> <b>B8441</b> reference genome; the exact assembly version was not specified.	Bulk RNA-seq compared gene expression in white and brown cell types of <i>C. auris</i> to identify regulators of phenotypic switching and virulence.	The authors likely employed standard RNA-seq tools —quality trimming (e.g., <b>Cutadapt/Trimmomatic</b> ), alignment to the reference genome (e.g., <b>STAR/HISAT2</b> ), transcript assembly ( <b>StringTie</b> ), and differential expression analysis ( <b>DESeq2</b> ).	A research summary notes that the study used <b>RNA sequencing</b> to compare transcriptomes of different <i>C. auris</i> phenotypes <sup>8</sup> , implying differential expression analysis between white and brown morphotypes.
<b>Functional redundancy in <i>Candida auris</i> cell surface adhesins</b> (Nature Commun. 2022) - <a href="#">PMID 35649081</a>	Reads were mapped to the <i>C. auris</i> reference genome (B8441 or isolate B11221); the article does not specify a genome version.	RNA-seq measured gene-expression changes in adhesin deletion mutants; differential expression analysis identified genes compensating for the loss of specific adhesins.	The RNA-seq pipeline likely consisted of library preparation, Illumina sequencing, alignment to the <i>C. auris</i> genome (e.g., with <b>STAR</b> ), and differential expression using <b>DESeq2</b> .	According to a Nature summary, the study noted that RNA-seq was performed in biological triplicates and that gene names were assigned based on a limited genome annotation.

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<p><b>Global stress responses identify functionally divergent genes in <i>Candida auris</i></b>            (FEMS Yeast Res. 2021) - <a href="#">PMID 34462177</a></p>	The authors used the <i>C. auris</i> B8441 genome (version not specified).	Bulk RNA-seq of <i>C. auris</i> under various stress conditions (e.g., temperature, osmotic stress) to identify genes involved in stress responses; differential expression analysis across conditions.	The pipeline probably used standard RNA-seq tools (e.g., <b>Trimmomatic</b> , <b>STAR</b> , <b>DESeq2</b> ).	Although the full text not accessible, a publication summary describes this study as comprehensive global stress response analysis using RNA-seq <sup>10</sup> .

## Notes

- **Genome version information:** Many *C. auris* RNA-seq studies align reads to the reference isolate **B8441**, which is often referred to as *Candida auris* version 1 (GCF\_002759435.2). The 2023 AMB Express tyrosol study is a notable exception: it sequenced **isolate 12 (NCPF 8973)** and used its own genome assembly (accession **JANPVY0000000000**) <sup>4</sup>. Where a genome version was not specified in accessible text, the table lists **N/A**.
- **Tools and workflows:** Common RNA-seq pipelines across these studies include read trimming (e.g., **Trimmomatic** or **Cutadapt**), alignment to the *C. auris* genome using **STAR** or **HISAT2**, transcript assembly with **StringTie** (if novel transcripts were reconstructed), and differential expression analysis with **DESeq2**, **edgeR**, or **limma**. Because the current environment blocks many full texts, some tool names are inferred from standard practice.

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<sup>1</sup> GSE180093 - Transcriptional profiling of the *Candida auris* ...

<https://www.omicsdi.org/dataset/geo/GSE180093>

<sup>2</sup> Transcriptional and translational landscape of *Candida auris* in ...

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC8481930/>

<sup>3</sup> Transcriptome Signatures Predict Phenotypic Variations of *Candida* ...

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/cellular-and-infection-microbiology/articles/10.3389/fcimb.2021.662563/full>

<sup>4</sup> [title unknown]

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s13568-023-01586-z>

<sup>5</sup> Transcriptional Profiling of the *Candida auris* Response to ...

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