

The CTC saga: C3 comparison

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This is the comparison between cancer tissue and normal blood. We are using the cancer tissue samples from the c1 comparison, i.e.:

- **GSE22820**: “Gene expression profiles were generated from **176** primary breast cancer patients and 12 normal breast samples”, PMID: 21356353 (*Agilent Whole Human Genome Microarray 4x44K G4112F*): **176 cancer tissues** (we don’t take 2 metastatic cancers)
- **GSE19783**: “mRNA profiling from **115** breast cancer samples was performed”, PMID: 21364938 (*Agilent Whole Human Genome Microarray 4x44K G4112F*) : **113 cancer tissues**
- **GSE31364**: “Seventy-two primary breast cancer tumor have been analyzed against a breast cancer reference pool.”, PMID: 22384245 (*Agilent human_DiscoverPrint_v1 custom platform*) : **72 cancer tissues**
- **GSE18672**: “Mammographic density and genetics - A study of breast biopsies in relation to mammographic density”, PMID: 20799965 (Agilent Whole Human Genome Oligo Microarray G4112A): **64 cancer tissues**

Furthermore we are using the following datasets providing cancer samples:

- **GSE15852**: “Gene expression patterns distinguish breast carcinomas from normal breast tissues: the Malaysian context” (PMID: **20097481**). Platform: Affymetrix genechip U133A. **43 cancer patients**
- **GSE12763**: “In vivo antitumor activity of MEK and phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase inhibitors in basal-like breast cancer models” (PMID: **19567590**). Platform: Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 Array **30 human breast cancers**

For the normal blood samples we are using the ones from (my) c2 comparison, that is:

- **GSE27562**: “In total, we collected blood from 57 women with a diagnosis of breast cancer and 37 with a benign diagnosis” (PMID: **21781289**) Platform: Affymetrix : **31 normal blood samples**
- **GSE16443**: “Diagnostic work-up revealed that 67 of these women had breast cancer while 54 had no malignant disease. Additionally, 9 samples from 6 healthy female controls (three pregnant women, one breast-feeding woman and two healthy controls at different timepoints in their menstrual cycle) were included.” (PMID: **20078854**). Platform: Applied Biosystems (ABI) : **54 normal blood samples**

The merge of these datasets result in 6421 (common) genes and 510 samples (85 normal blood samples and 425 cancer tissue).

```
> print.xtable(xtable(table(c3.data$Origin, c3.data$Study)), comment=FALSE)
```

	GSE12763	GSE15852	GSE16443	GSE19783	GSE22820	GSE27562	GSE31364
Cancer Tissue	30	43	0	113	176	0	72
Normal Blood	0	0	54	0	0	31	0

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> plotMDS(c3.data, "Study", "Origin", main="Distribution of samples in the merged datasets")
```

Differential expression

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> cl = ifelse(c3.data$Origin == 'Normal Blood', 0, 1)
> sam.out = sam(exprs(c3.data), cl, B=500, rand=0xDEAD)
> delta = findDelta(sam.out, fdr=0.05)[2,1]
```

The threshold seems to be at

	Delta	Called	FDR
5	1.036	316	0.05024
6	1.036	312	0.04960

```
> sam.sum <- summary(sam.out, delta)
> w <- which(sam.sum@mat.sig$d.value > 0)
> num.genes.over <- length(w)
> siggenes.over <- list.siggenes(sam.out, delta)[w]
```

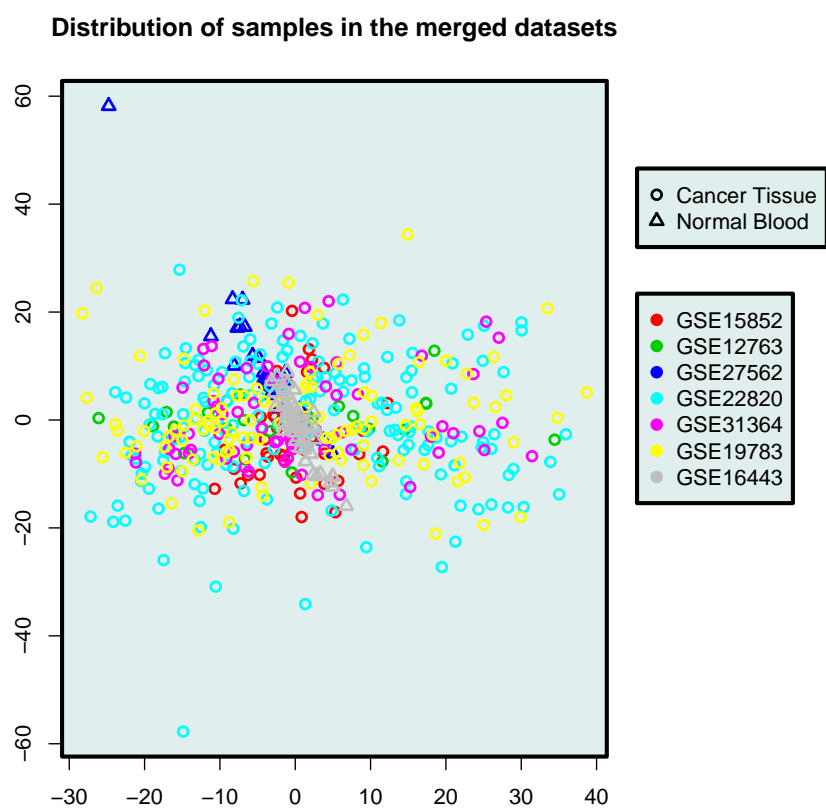


Figure 1: 2D (MDS) plot of the merged dataset

We find 241 genes over-expressed in cancer samples. They can be found in the `c3.siggenes.txt` file.

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> sessionInfo()
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R version 3.0.3 (2014-03-06)
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Platform: x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu (64-bit)
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locale:
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[1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8      LC_NUMERIC=C
[3] LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8      LC_COLLATE=en_US.UTF-8
[5] LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8  LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8
[7] LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8     LC_NAME=C
[9] LC_ADDRESS=C             LC_TELEPHONE=C
[11] LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
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attached base packages:
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```
[1] splines  parallel  methods  stats      graphics  grDevices  utils
[8] datasets  base
```

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other attached packages:
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[1] plyr_1.8.1      ggplot2_1.0.0      xtable_1.7-3
[4] inSilicoMerging_1.6.0 DWD_0.11           Matrix_1.1-3
[7] siggenes_1.36.0  multtest_2.18.0    Biobase_2.22.0
[10] BiocGenerics_0.8.0 knitr_1.6
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loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
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[1] colorspace_1.2-4 digest_0.6.4      evaluate_0.5.5  formatR_0.10
[5] grid_3.0.3      gtable_0.1.2     lattice_0.20-29 MASS_7.3-33
[9] munsell_0.4.2   proto_0.3-10     Rcpp_0.11.1     reshape2_1.4
[13] scales_0.2.4    stats4_3.0.3     stringr_0.6.2   survival_2.37-7
[17] tools_3.0.3
```