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# Enrichment analysis

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# Schedule

- **9:00 - 9:30**
- Introduction
- **9:30 – 10:30**
- Over-representation analysis
- Exercise
- **10:30ish** break
- **10:50 - 12:30**
- Method of gene set enrichment analysis
- Exercise
- **12:30ish - 13:30** lunch break
- **13:30 - 15:30**
- Visualization of enrichment results
- Exercise
- **15:30ish - 15:50** break
- **15:50 - 16:50**
- Ontologies and sources of gene sets
- Exercise
- **16:50 - 17:00** Feedback and end of day

# The Translational Data Science group



- Part of the **SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics**
- Located at the AGORA Cancer Research Center in **Lausanne**
- Provides **the statistics, bioinformatics and computational expertise** to molecular biology and applied research labs.
- Participates in fundamental and translational research by providing expertise in **data analysis** of single-cell and bulk multi-omics, spatial transcriptomics, flow cytometry, etc

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# Course material

- <https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/>

The screenshot shows a website for an enrichment analysis course. At the top, there is a red header bar with the text "Enrichment analysis". Below the header, on the left, is a sidebar with a navigation menu:

- Enrichment analysis
- Home
- Precourse preparations
- Course schedule
- Materials
- Exercises** (this item is highlighted in red)
- Bonus code
- Useful links

The main content area has a title "Exercises" with a pencil icon. Below it, there is a text block: "In this section, you will find the R code that we will use during the course. We will explain the code and output during correction of the exercises." To the right of this text is another section titled "Source of data" with a detailed description of the RNA sequencing data used in the study.

We will work with RNA sequencing data generated by [Ercolano et al 2020](#). This study described the transcriptomes of immune cells that are circulating in the blood of humans in healthy conditions. Different types of immune cells circulate in human blood. In this study, 2 cell types were included: Natural Killer (NK) cells and CD4+ T helper (Th) cells. These 2 types of cells have different functions: NK cells provide a rapid response in the innate immune response at the

- **Feedback:** survey at the end of the day about your opinion on this course (link sent by course organizer).

# Credits: 0.25 ECTS

- Please provide answers and R code for an additional exercise (eg 1 Word with answers and figures and 1 script file, or 1 file generated using Rmarkdown)  
[https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/  
#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits](https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits)
- Sign up for credit by adding your name to the google Doc file (email sent by course organizer)
- Send answers to [tania.wyss@sib.swiss](mailto:tania.wyss@sib.swiss) within 1 week

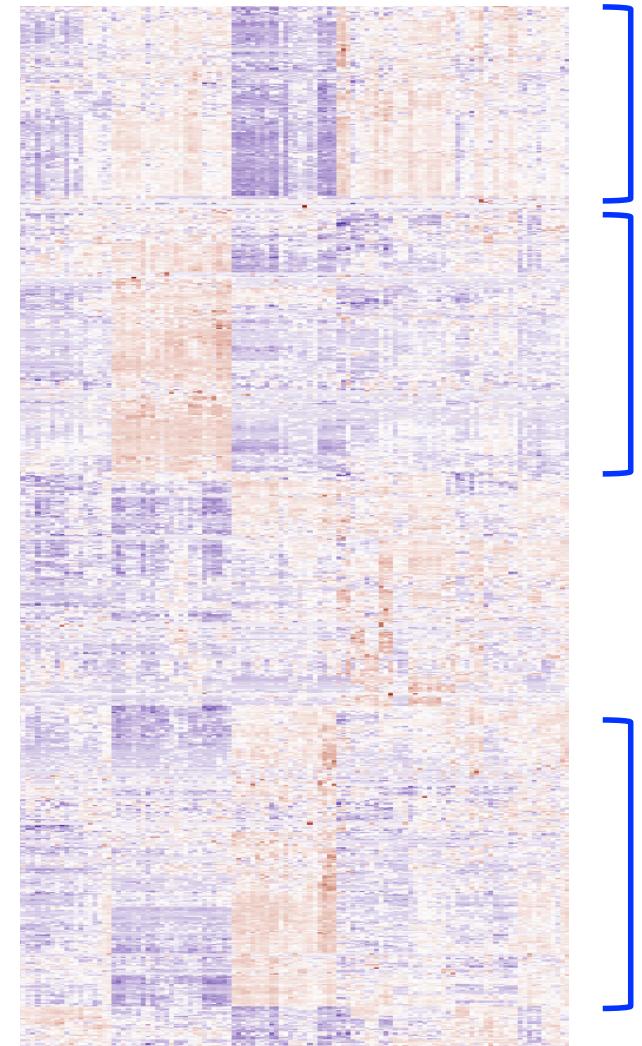
# Questions and Exercises

- Feel free to interrupt with questions by asking them directly or raising your (virtual) hand.
- Use the Q&A in Google Doc (or Zoom chat), we will provide answers
- Add a  when you are done with the current exercise
- Exercises in R:
  - We will try to debug as much as possible
  - We are happy if you share your results or alternative code!

# Why do we perform enrichment analysis?

- Gene expression analysis yields hundreds to thousands of significant genes
  - We need to summarize the information provided by so many genes
  - Understand their biological relationships
  - Understand the genes' function (**functional analysis**)
  - Identify overarching biological processes or molecular pathways taking place in your system

Some genes have similar expression pattern across samples

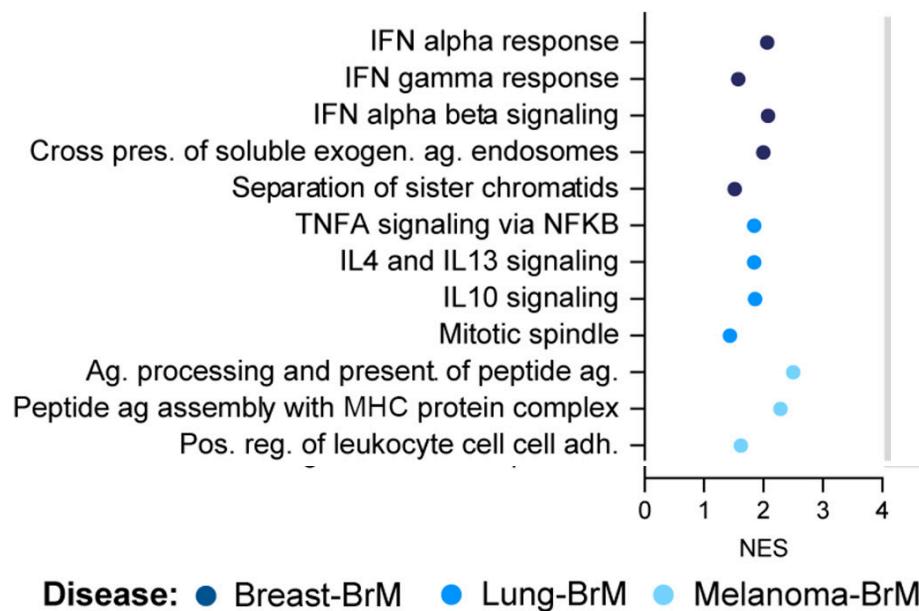


IVY GAP: <https://glioblastoma.alleninstitute.org/>

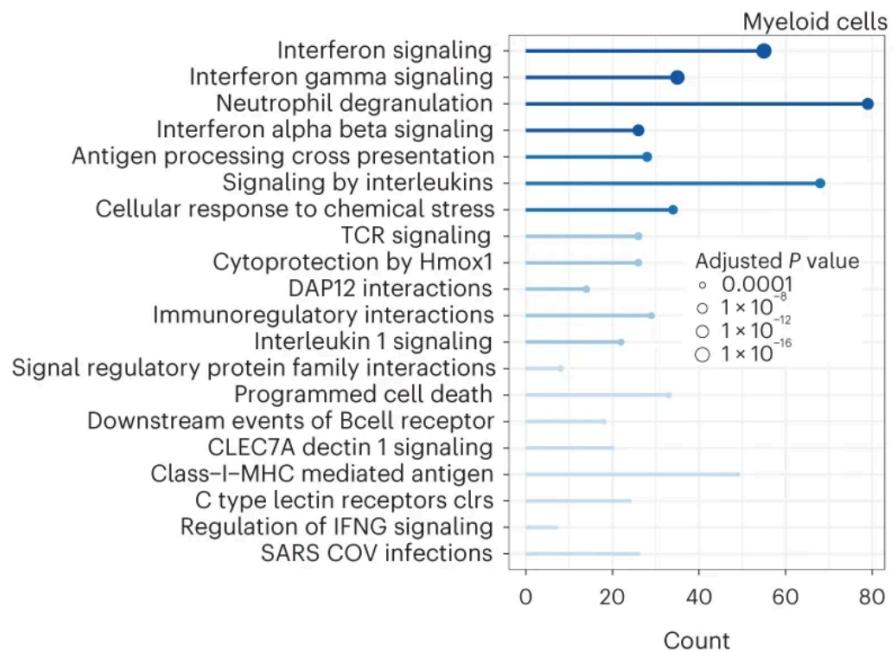
# Enrichment analysis in the literature – non-exhaustive examples

## Often presented in *omics* studies

Different molecular alterations in vasculature of brain metastasis from different origins, compared to normal brain vasculature



Impact of a treatment on myeloid cells, pathways that could contribute to tumor growth limitation



Bulk RNAseq, GSEA

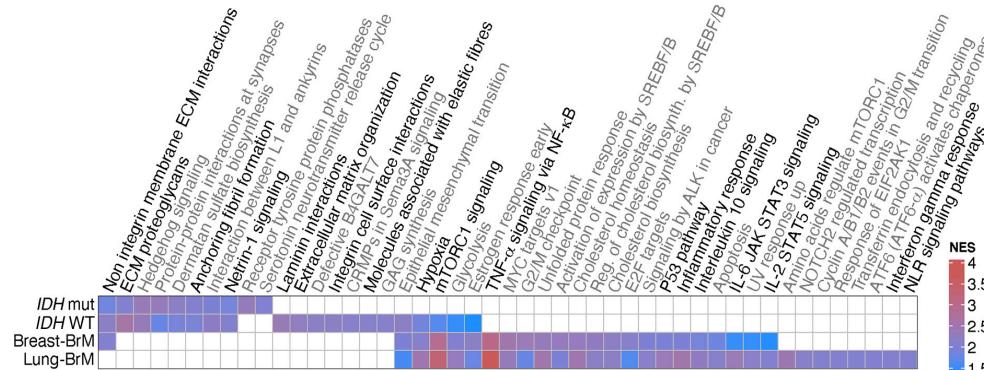
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ccr.2023.12.018>

Single-cell RNAseq, ORA

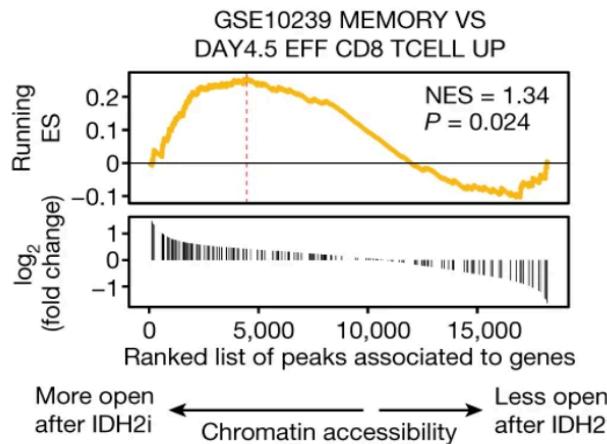
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s43018-023-00668-y>

# Enrichment analysis in the literature – non-exhaustive examples

Neutrophils (immune cells) express different pathways depending on the brain tumor origin (primary vs metastatic tumor)



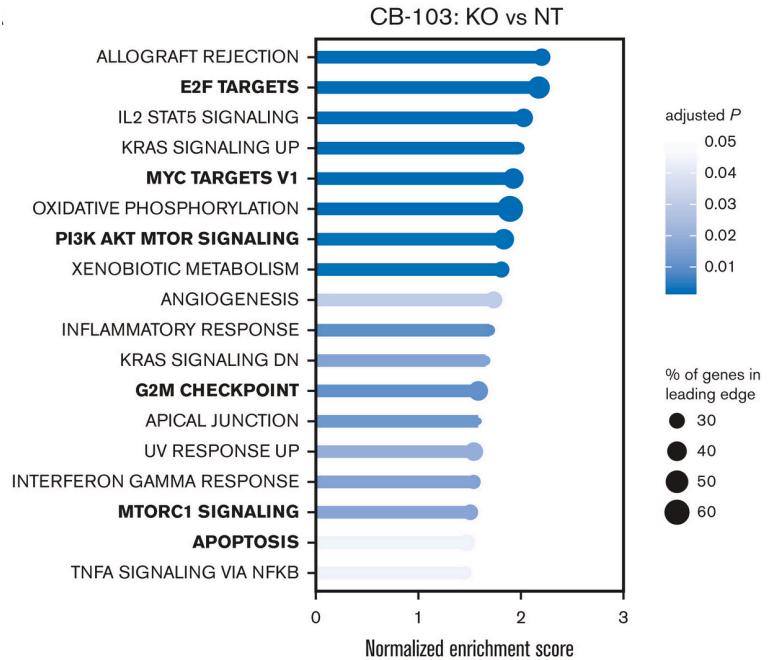
Bulk RNAseq, GSEA <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2023.08.043>



Increased memory phenotype in immune cells exposed to a component.

Bulk ATACseq, GSEA  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s415>

Pathways altered upon knocking-out a gene (*PIK3R1*) which confers resistance to treatment. Find new pathways to target with therapy



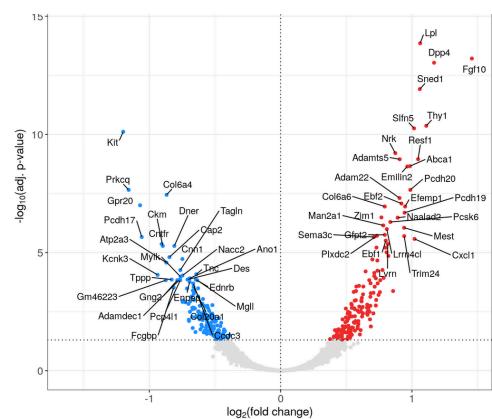
# Bulk RNAseq, GSEA

<https://doi.org/10.1182/bloodadvances.2023010380>

# Enrichment analysis – input data

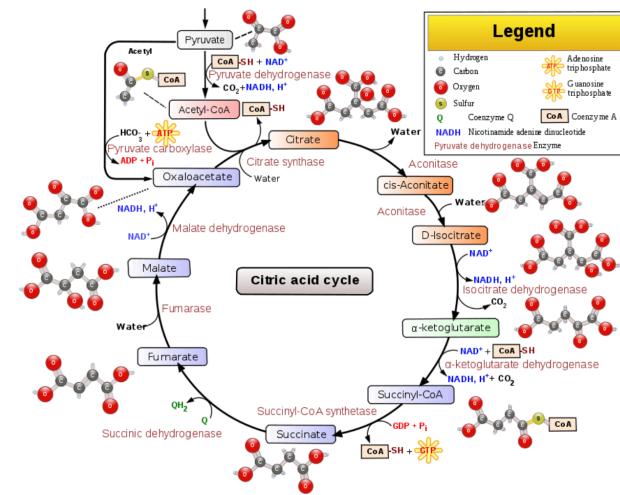
List of genes/proteins that are:

- Differentially expressed between 2 conditions
- Similar expression pattern across samples
- ...
- Either available as a list of gene symbols/IDs or with a score associated to each gene: e.g. T statistic or fold change



Database of gene/protein functional annotation

- Genes need to be grouped into gene sets/pathways/functional annotations.
- Consortia of researchers usually create these gene groupings/annotations



# Enrichment analysis in non-model organisms

- Need **functional annotation** of genes: genes need to be grouped into pathways/functions.
- If not available, convert your genes into the **orthologs** of a closely related species that has such a database.
- Will require effort to find a gene functional annotation database. All statistical analyses are otherwise the same.

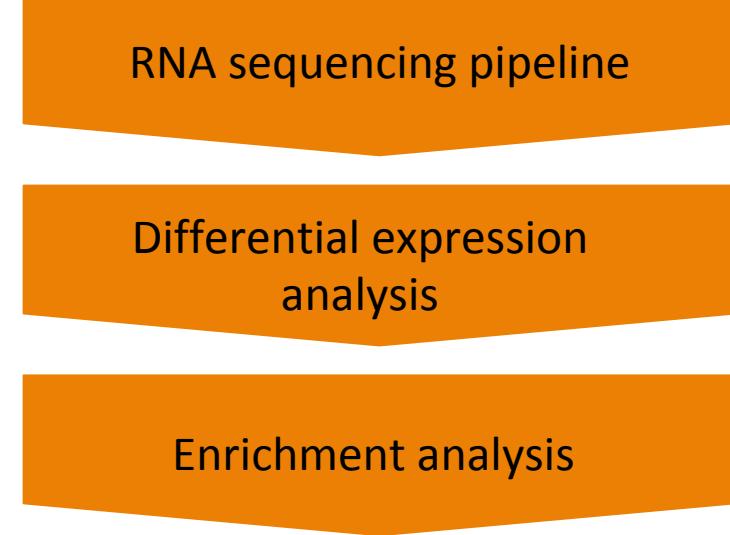
See Useful links:

<https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/links/#tools-for-species-other-than-human-or-mouse>

# Once we have identified DE genes, what do we do?

**Goal:** To gain biologically-meaningful insights from long gene lists

- test if differentially expressed genes are enriched in genes associated with a particular function
- approaches: test a small number of gene sets, or a large collection of gene sets

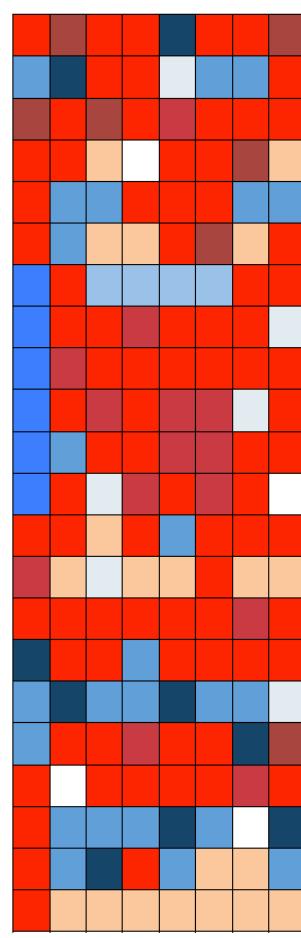
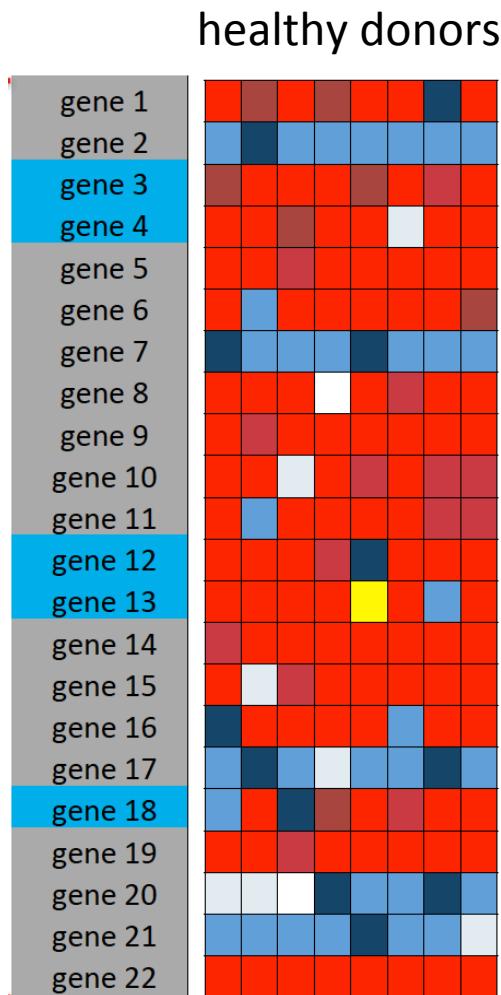


Several methods available, e.g.:

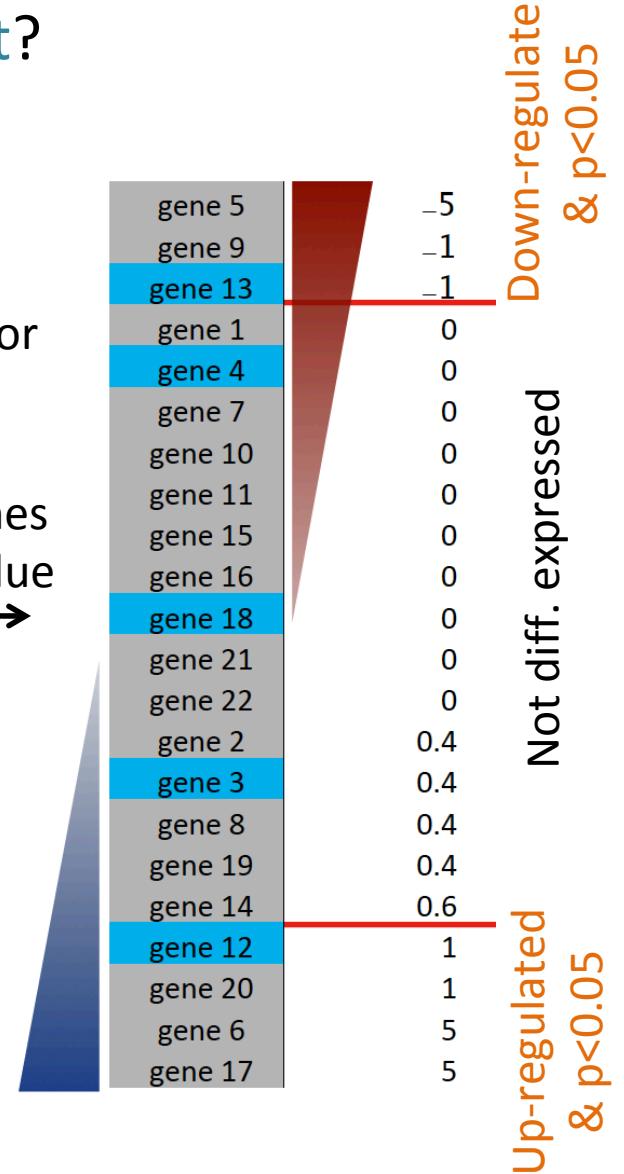
- over-representation analysis (ORA)
- gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA)

# Over-representation analysis (ORA)

Are the DE genes overlapping with the genes contained within the **blue set**?



sort based  
on T-statistic or  
fold change  
and count  
significant genes  
based on p-value



# Fisher's exact test

<i>2x2 count table</i>	Differentially expressed	Not Differentially expressed	total
blue	2	3	5
Not blue	5	12	17
total	7	15	22

contingency table

$H_0$ : The proportion of blue genes differentially expressed is the same as the proportion of blue genes that are not differentially expressed.

$H_1$ : The proportion of blue genes differentially expressed is not the same as the proportion of blue genes that are not differentially expressed.

# Fisher's exact test in R

```
> cont.table<-matrix(c(2,3,5,12), ncol=2, byrow = T)  
> fisher.test(cont.table)
```

Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

data: cont.table

p-value = 1

alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1

95 percent confidence interval:

0.1012333 18.7696686

sample estimates:

odds ratio

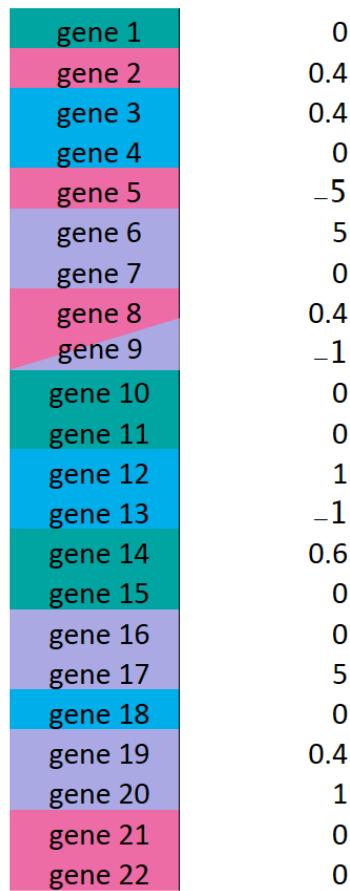
1.56456

2x2 count table	Differentially expressed	Not Differentially expressed	total
blue	2	3	5
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$$2/7 = 0.29$$

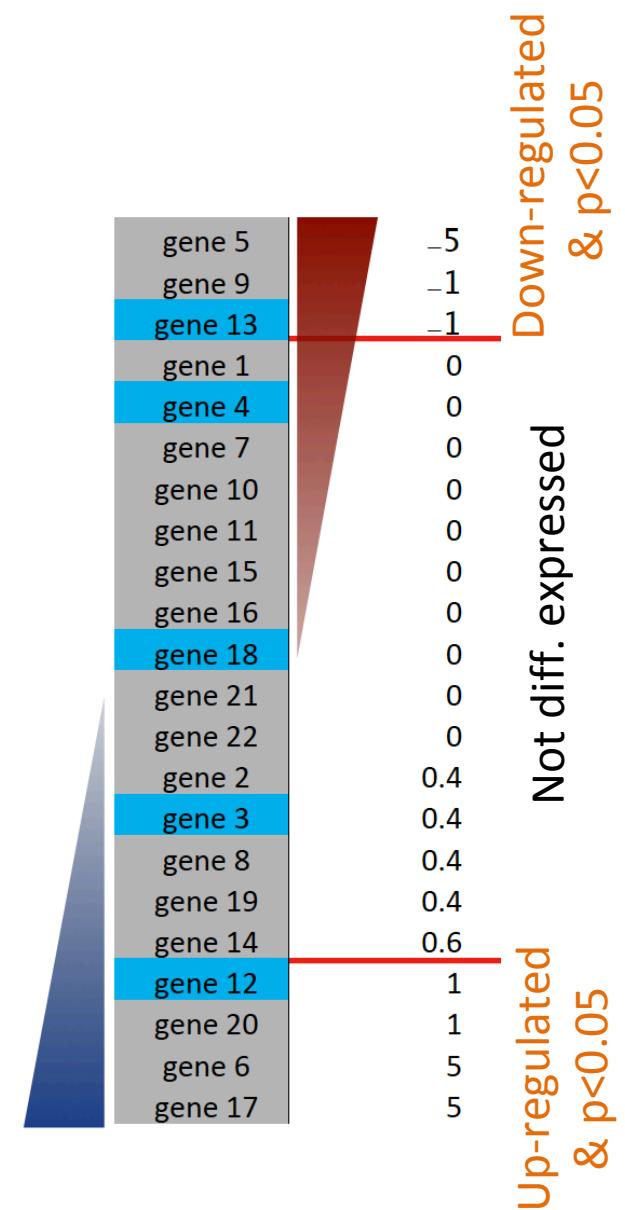
$$3/15 = 0.20$$

# Which gene sets are differentially expressed?



Run individual Fisher's exact tests for each gene set, **blue**, **pink**, **purple**, **green**

⇒ Multiple tests need **p-value adjustment**.



# Enrichment analysis using R: one possibility among others

## clusterProfiler

platforms all rank 41 / 2140 support 1 5 / 2 3 in Bioc 11 years  
build ok updated < 1 week dependencies 125

DOI: [10.18129/B9.bioc.clusterProfiler](https://doi.org/10.18129/B9.bioc.clusterProfiler) [f](#) [t](#)

### A universal enrichment tool for interpreting omics data

Bioconductor version: Release (3.15)

This package supports functional characteristics of both coding and non-coding genomics data for thousands of species with up-to-date gene annotation. It provides a universal interface for gene functional annotation from a variety of sources and thus can be applied in diverse scenarios. It provides a tidy interface to access, manipulate, and visualize enrichment results to help users achieve efficient data interpretation. Datasets obtained from multiple treatments and time points can be analyzed and compared in a single run, easily revealing functional consensus and differences among distinct conditions.

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### Built-in functions for enrichment analysis

### Built-in gene sets for human, mouse, yeast, etc

### Built-in GO and KEGG (see later)

- <https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/clusterProfiler.html>
- G Yu, LG Wang, Y Han, QY He. clusterProfiler: an R package for comparing biological themes among gene clusters. *OMICS: A Journal of Integrative Biology* 2012, 16(5):284-287. doi:[10.1089/omi.2011.0118](http://dx.doi.org/10.1089/omi.2011.0118)
- Full vignette: <http://yulab-smu.top/clusterProfiler-book/>

# Functions for Fisher test and for ORA with R and clusterProfiler

Fisher exact test (package stats)

```
fisher.test(x, y = NULL, workspace = 200000, hybrid = FALSE,  
           hybridPars = c(expect = 5, percent = 80, Emin = 1),  
           control = list(), or = 1, alternative = "two.sided",  
           conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95,  
           simulate.p.value = FALSE, B = 2000)
```

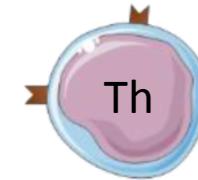
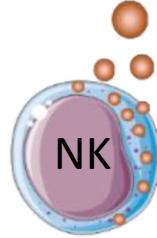
enricher(): implementation of hypergeometric test (one-sided Fisher test) for user defined gene list and gene set annotations (package clusterProfiler)

```
enricher(  
  gene,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  universe,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  qvalueCutoff = 0.2,  
  TERM2GENE,  
  TERM2NAME = NA  
)
```

Eg genes that are markers of cell clusters of single-cell RNA seq



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# Recap and exercise 1

- Once we have identified differentially expressed (DE) genes, we can use an over-representation analysis to determine whether or not the genes of a gene set of interest are over-represented among the DE genes or not.
- Exercise 1:**
- Results table of differential gene expression analysis between 2 human immune cell types, natural killer (NK) cells and CD4 T helper cells (Th):

ensembl_gene_id	symbol	logFC	t	P.Value	p.adj
ENSG00000000003	TSPAN6	-5.643604444	-4.67212847	4.260000e-05	7.358019e-04
ENSG00000000419	DPM1	-0.181898089	-1.10183079	2.780198e-01	5.176076e-01
ENSG00000000457	SCYL3	0.496987374	1.49103508	1.448691e-01	3.449889e-01
ENSG00000000460	C1orf112	1.121799095	1.44589945	1.570599e-01	3.630935e-01
ENSG00000000938	FGR	10.670687340	7.21234165	1.980000e-08	1.718657e-06
ENSG00000000971	CFH	-3.412927673	-2.78888655	8.480300e-03	4.610083e-02

Positive logFC = higher in NK  
Negative logFC = lower in NK

- Run a **Fisher's exact test** to determine whether genes involved in the **adaptive immune response** are over-represented among the genes up-regulated in Th cells.

RNA sequencing data from:

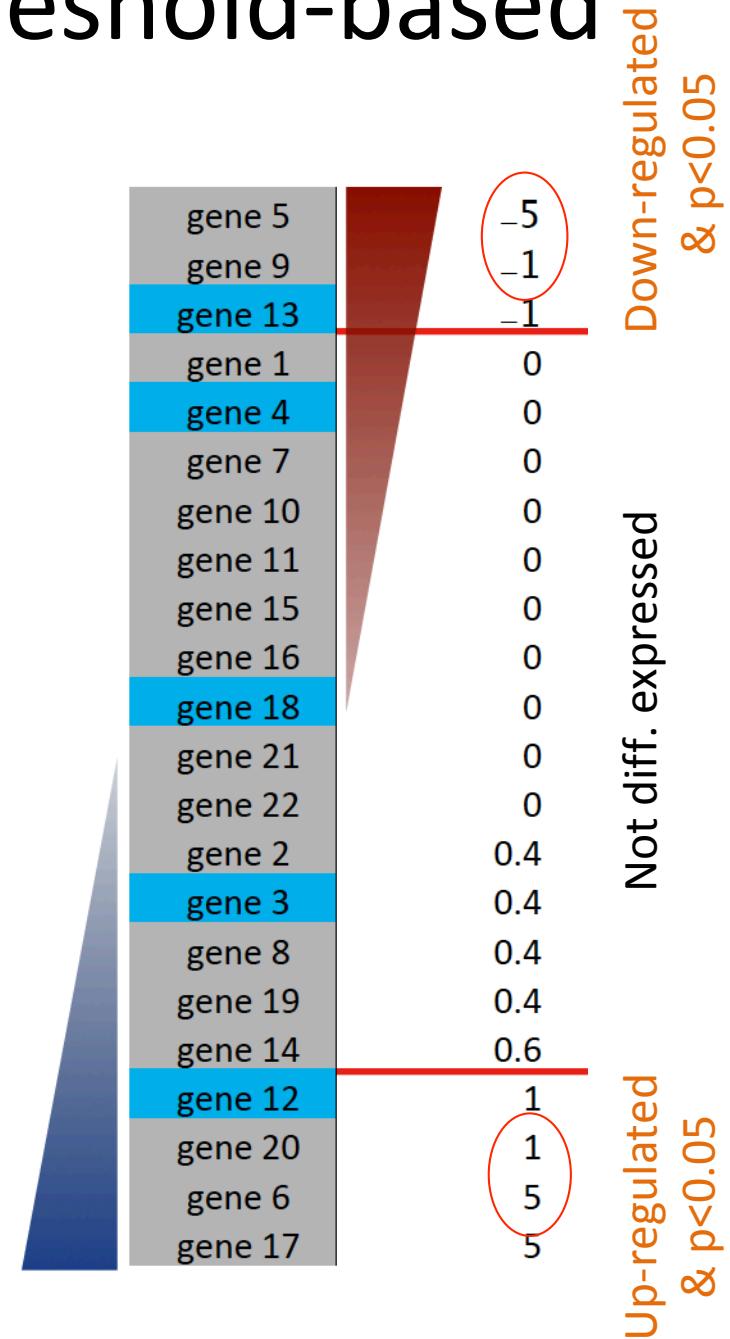
<https://jlb.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/JLB.5MA0120-209R?af=R>

<https://ashpublications.org/bloodadvances/article/3/22/3674/428873/CD56-as-a-marker-of-an-ILC1-like-population-with>

# Fisher's exact test is threshold-based

<i>2x2 count table</i>	Differentially expressed	Not Differentially expressed	total
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Contingency table with count of genes,  
without taking into account the **magnitude**  
of the change of each gene.

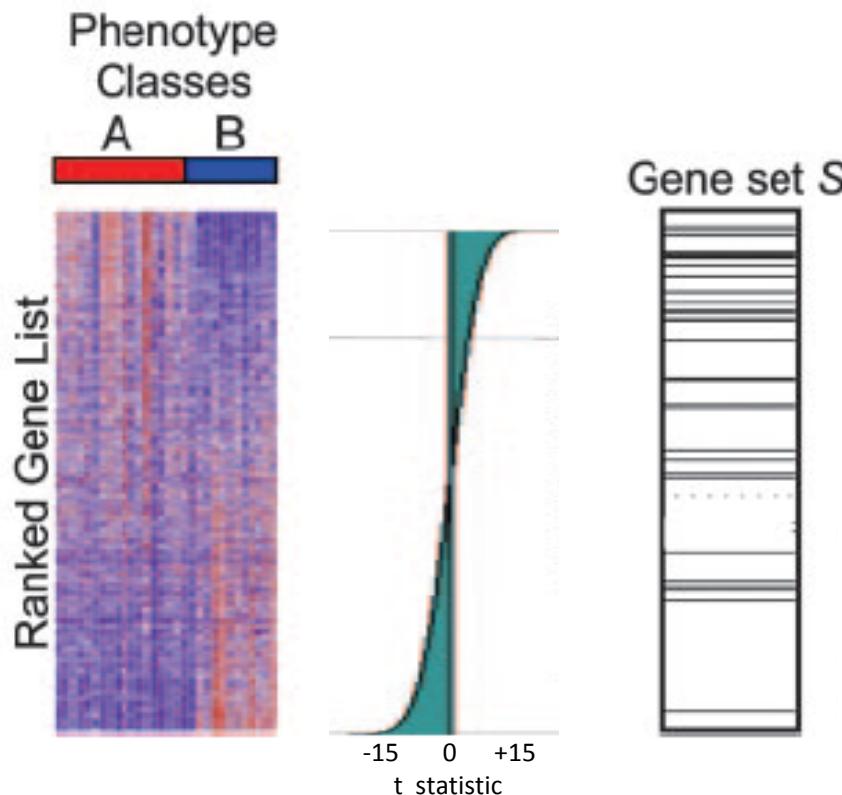


# Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA)

- **Threshold-free:** the whole list of genes detected in the RNA sequencing experiment is used.
- GSEA is a computational method that determines whether an *a priori* defined set of genes shows statistically significant, concordant differences between two biological states (MSigDB)
- Rank all genes based on score (eg t-statistic) and calculate an enrichment score (ES) that reflects the degree to which the members of a gene set are overrepresented at the top or bottom of the ranked genes.

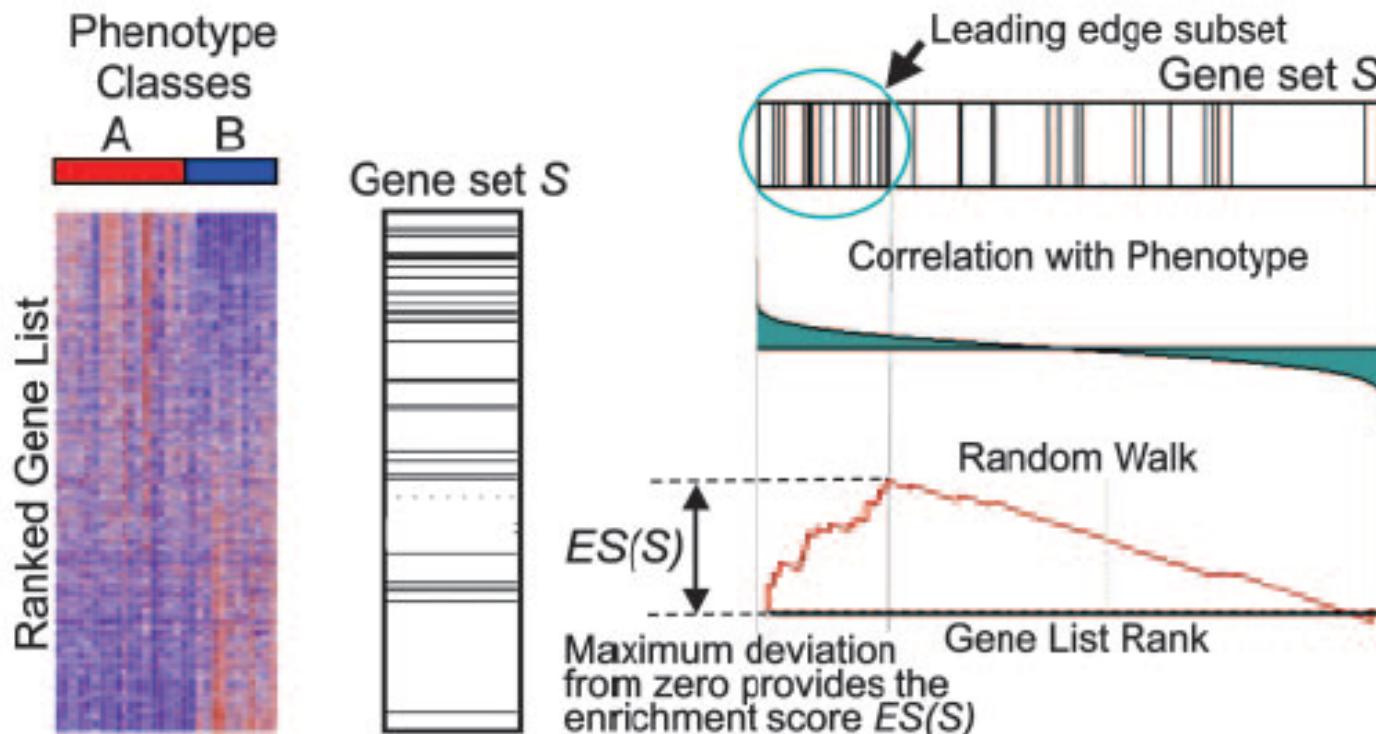
# Method of GSEA

Goal: determine whether the members of a gene set **S** are randomly distributed throughout a ranked gene list or if they are located at the top or bottom of the ranked gene lists



1. Sort the genes based on the t statistic (=weight)

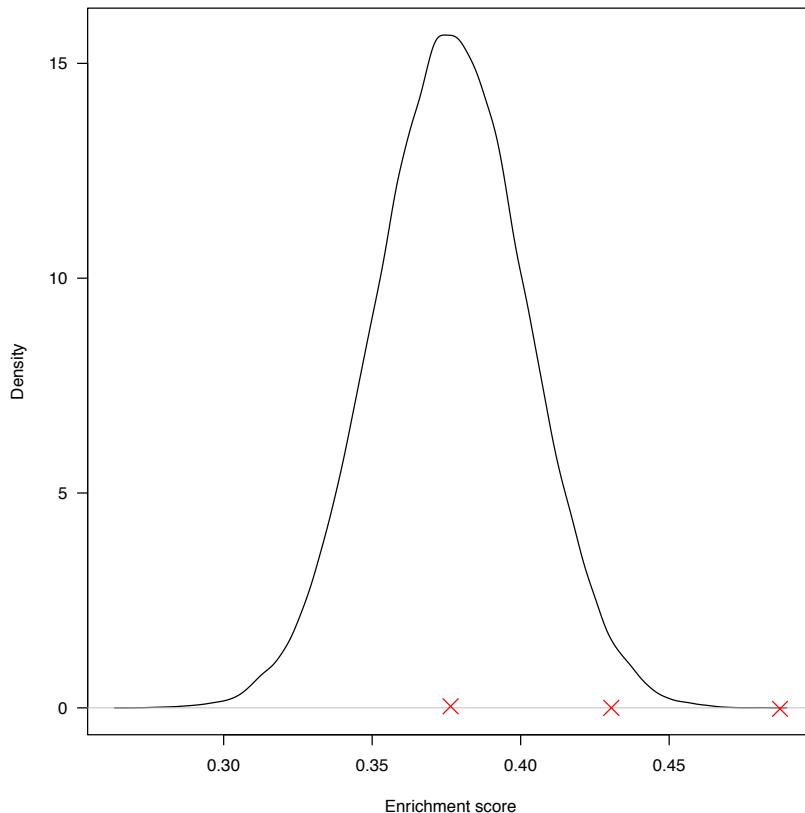
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3. Perform permutations of samples and/or genes to recalculate random ES scores
4. Calculate Normalized ES (NES) and estimate p-value of each gene set based on randomized ES scores
5. Adjust p-value



$$\text{NES} = \frac{\text{actual ES}}{\text{mean(ESs against all permutations of the dataset)}}$$

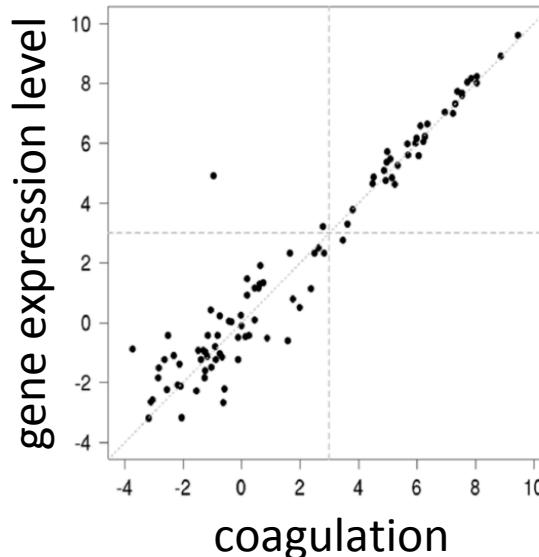
Do not forget p-value  
adjustment if more than 1  
gene set is tested!

NES: 1    NES: 1.16    NES: 1.32  
p: 0.5    p: 0.05    p: 0.001

# Apply GSEA to any type of data or score

- Use t-statistic from paired t-test
- Use F statistic of one way or two way ANOVA
- Use coefficients or p-value of linear model

	Adj. p-value of LM	Differentially expressed
gene 4	0.0022	
gene 13	0.0022	
gene 14	0.0022	
gene 2	0.19	
gene 7	0.19	
gene 17	0.19	
gene 20	0.19	
gene 21	1	
gene 6	1	
gene 10	1	
gene 11	1	
gene 16	1	
gene 1	1	
gene 3	1	
gene 5	1	
gene 8	1	
gene 9	1	
gene 12	1	
gene 15	1	
gene 18	1	
gene 19	1	
gene 22	1	



GSEA for linear model implemented in `romer()` function of the limma package

# Functions for GSEA with clusterProfiler

GSEA(): GSEA of user-defined gene sets using all ranked genes

```
GSEA(  
  geneList,  
  exponent = 1,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  eps = 1e-10,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  TERM2GENE,  
  TERM2NAME = NA,  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  seed = FALSE,  
  by = "fgsea",  
  ...  
)
```

TERM2GENE:

term	gene
GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE	ZC3H12A
GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE	ZNF683
GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE	ZP3
GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION	ATOH1
GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION	CDH23
GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION	CLRN1

gseGO(): GSEA of GO gene sets using all ranked genes

```
gseGO(  
  geneList,  
  ont = "BP",  
  OrgDb,  
  keyType = "ENTREZID",  
  exponent = 1,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  eps = 1e-10,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  seed = FALSE,  
  by = "fgsea",  
  ...  
)
```

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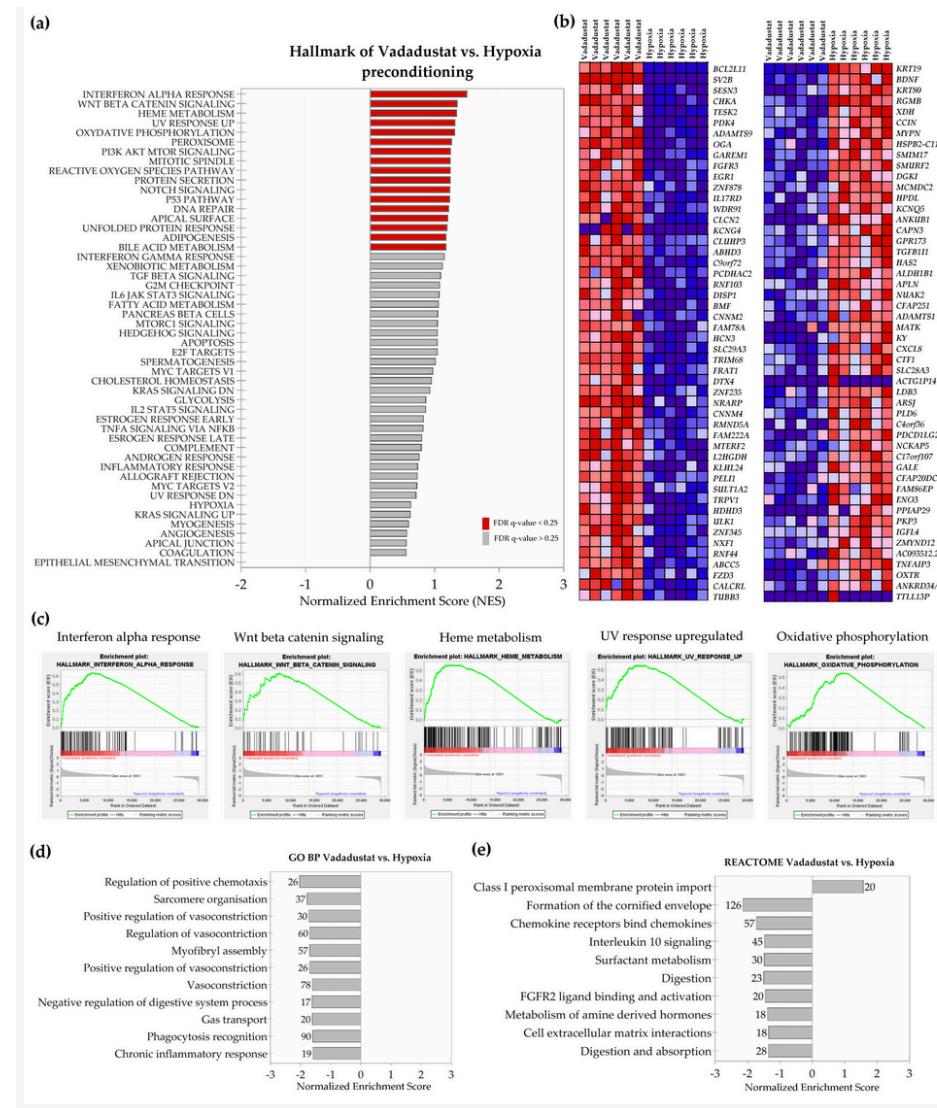


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# Recap and exercise 2

- Fisher test is a threshold-based method, while GSEA is a threshold-free enrichment method. Both can be used for single or multiple gene sets.
- Exercise 2: use functions of clusterProfiler and data provided in Ex. 1
  - Run a GSEA for the Gene Ontology gene sets (more details on this collection later)
  - Explore the results: how many gene sets are significant? Are the gene sets up-regulated or down-regulated in NK cells?

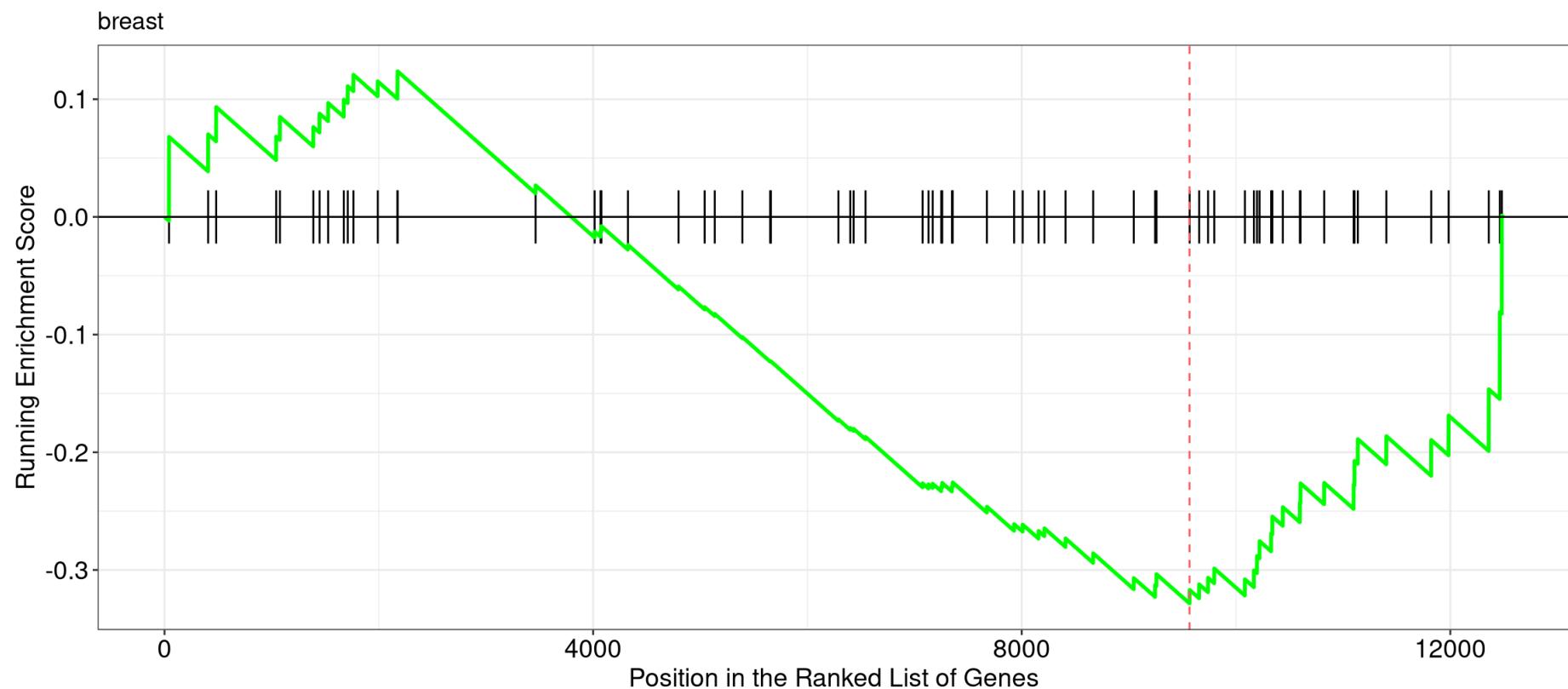
# How to show the results of an enrichment analysis?



# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- barcode plot

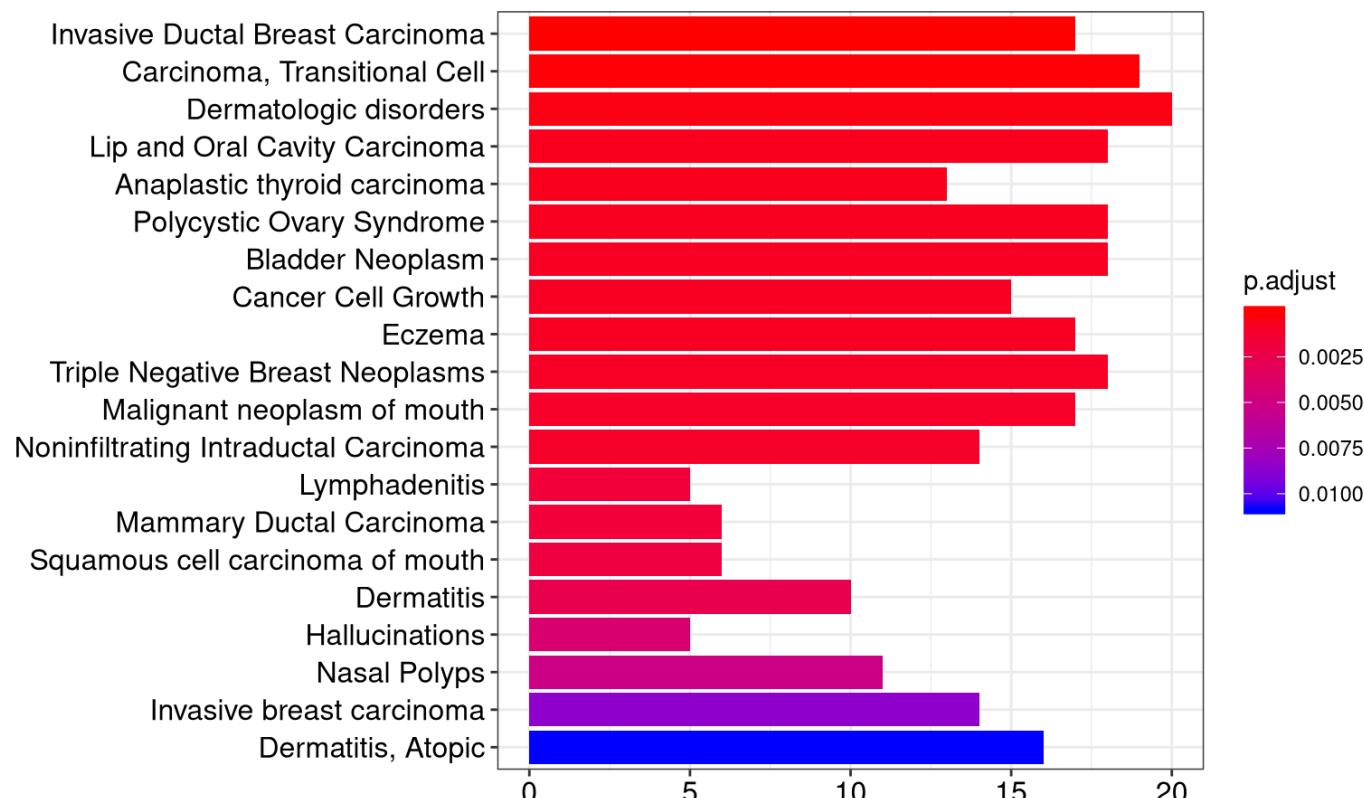
```
gseaplot(h_NK_vs_Th, geneSetID =  
"BREAST", title=" BREAST")
```



# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

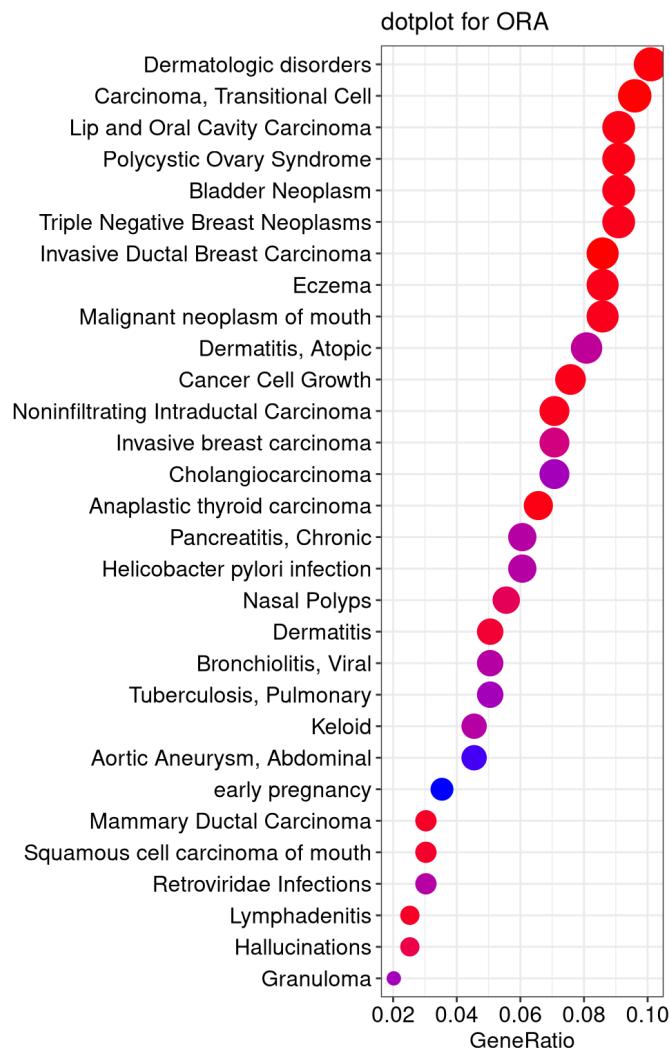
- barplot

```
ego <- enrichGO(de, OrgDb='org.Hs.eg.db', ont="BP", keyType = "SYMBOL")
barplot(ego, showCategory=20)
```

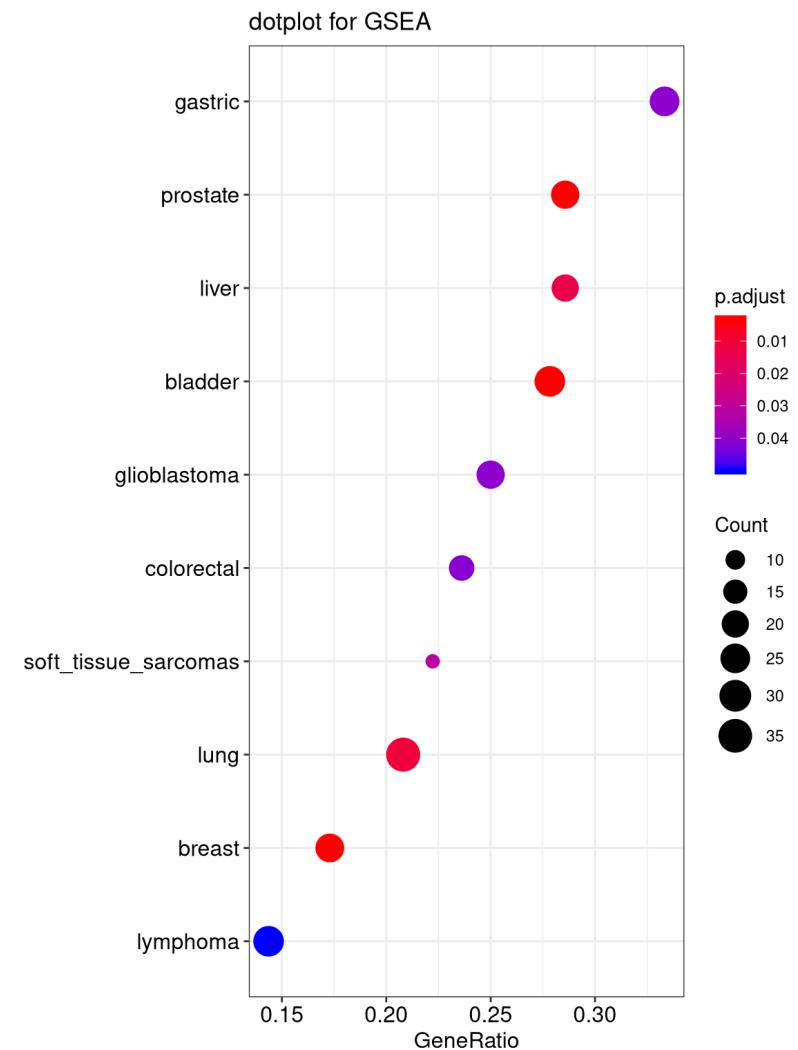


# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- dotplot



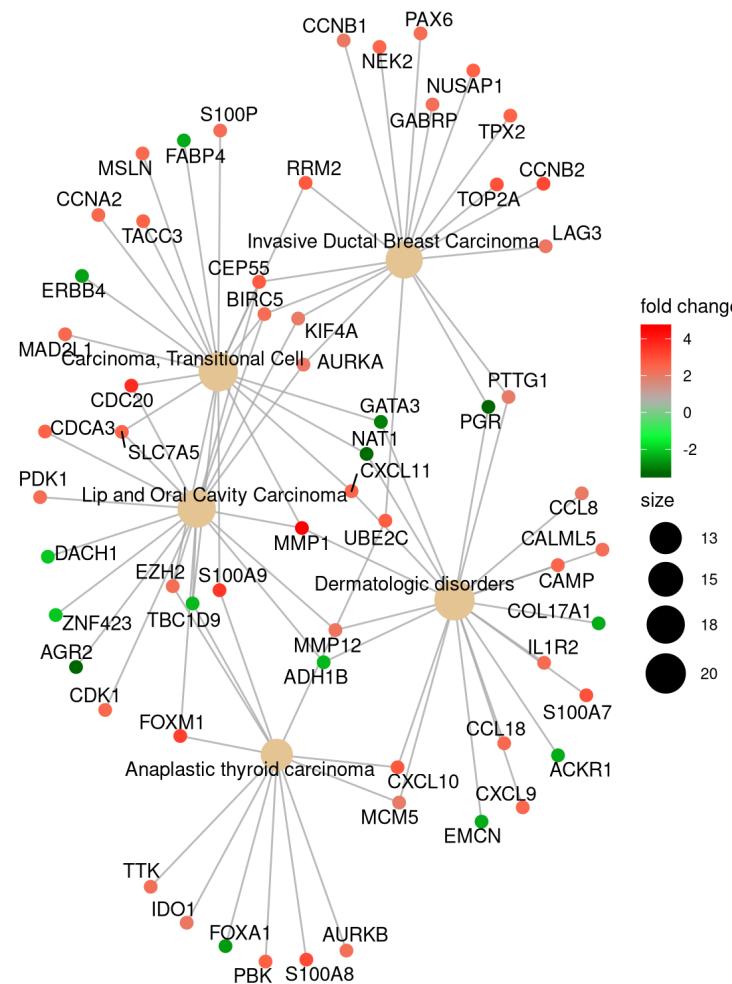
```
ego <- enrichGO(de)
dotplot(ego, showCategory=20)
```



# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

```
cnetplot(edox, categorySize="pvalue", foldChange=toList)
```

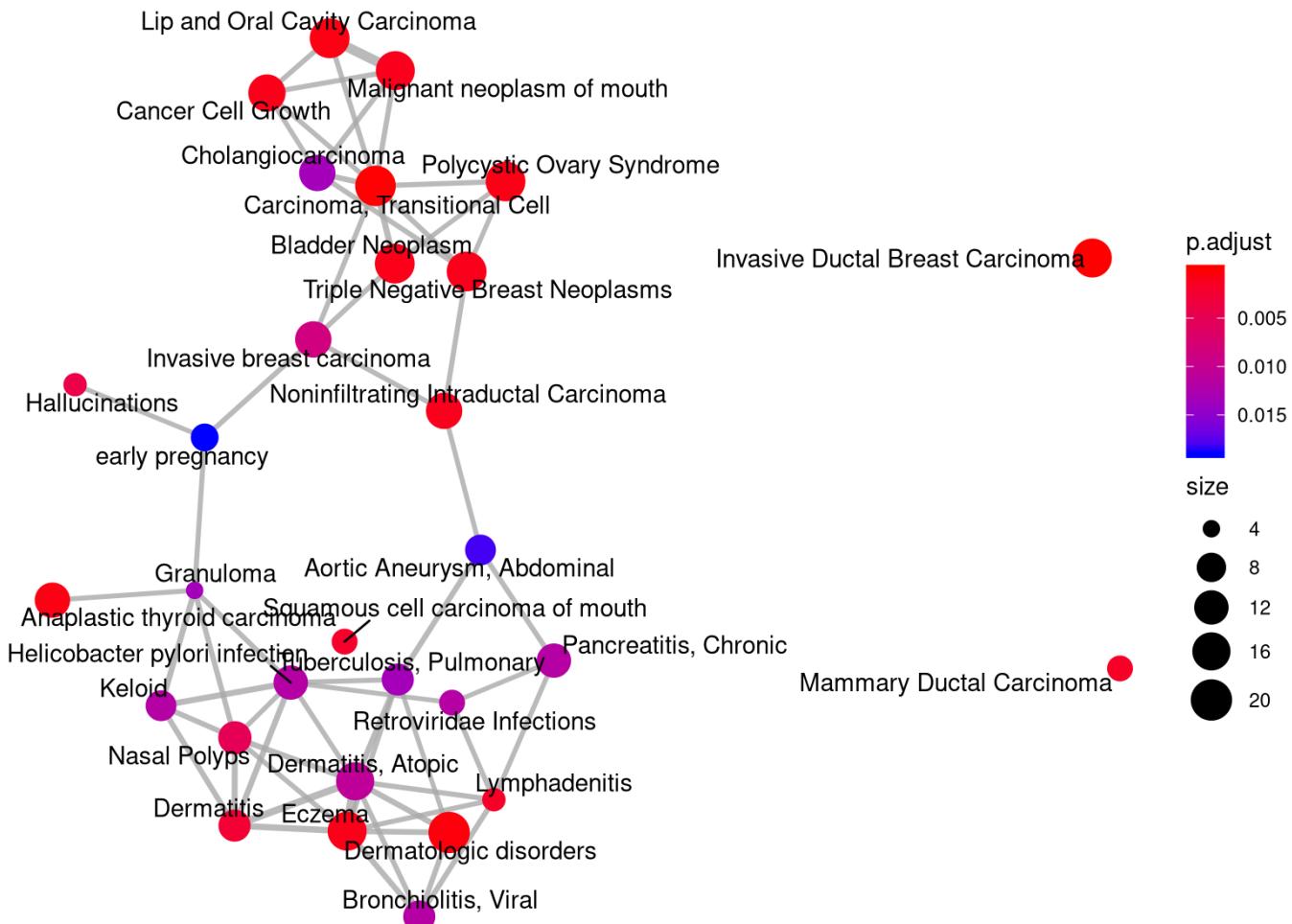
- Gene-concept network



# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- Enrichment map

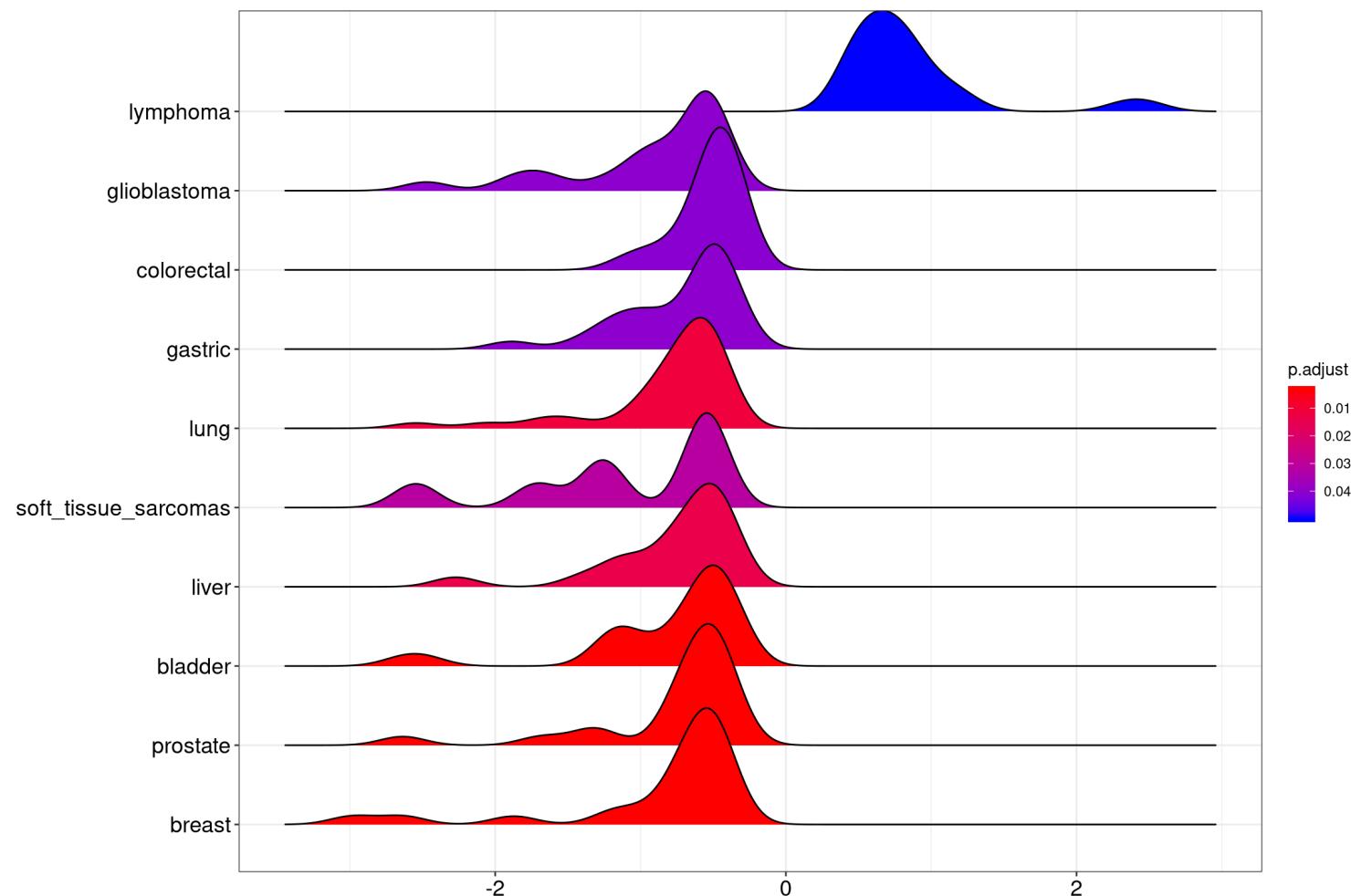
```
ego <- enrichGO(de)
emapplot(ego)
```



# Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- Ridgeplot

```
ego <- gseGO(de)  
ridgeplot(ego)
```





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# Recap and Exercise 3

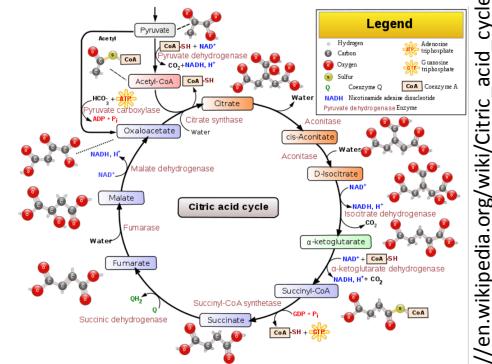
Several visualization methods can be used to represent the results, either for single gene sets (barcode plot) or for several gene sets (barplots, etc).

## Exercise 3: Create figures for the enrichment results:

- barplot of  $-\log_{10}(\text{p-value})$  of the p-values of the top 10 GO gene sets, or of positive and negative NES values
- Enrichment maps, gene-concept networks, ridge plots, etc

# What is a gene set?

- Genes working together in a pathway (e.g. energy release through Krebs cycle)
- Genes located in the same compartment in a cell (e.g. all proteins located in the cell nucleus)
- Proteins that are all regulated by a same transcription factor
- Custom gene list that comes from a publication and that are down-regulated in a mutant
- List of SNPs associated with a disease
- ... etc!
- Several gene sets are grouped into Knowledge bases



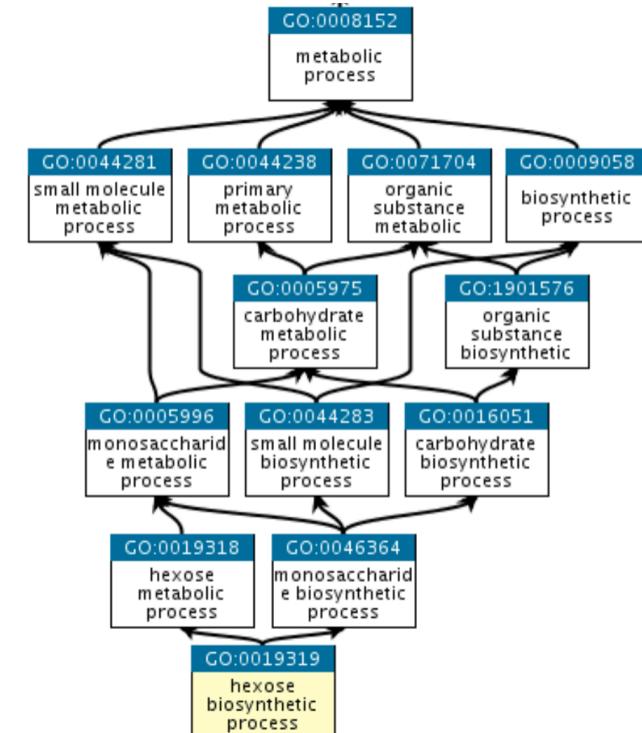
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Citric\\_acid\\_cycle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Citric_acid_cycle)

# Gene ontology

- <http://geneontology.org/>

Collaborative effort to address the need for consistent descriptions of gene products across databases

- GO Consortium: develop a comprehensive, computational model of biological systems, ranging from the molecular to the organism level, across the multiplicity of species in the tree of life
- GO terms = GO categorizations
- GO term: each with a name (DNA repair) and a unique accession number (GO:0005125)



The Gene Ontology (GO) knowledgebase is the world's largest source of information on the functions of genes.

Not covered today: GOSemSim (bioconductor), Revigo (<http://revigo.irb.hr/>)

# Gene ontology

**GO ontologies: GO terms organized in 3 independent controlled vocabularies**

- **Molecular function:** represents the biochemical activity of the gene product, such activities could include "ligand", "GTPase", and "transporter".
- **Cellular component:** refers to the location in the cell of the gene product. Cellular components could include "nucleus", "lysosome", and "plasma membrane".
- **Biological process:** refers to the biological role involving the gene or gene product, and could include "transcription", "signal transduction", and "apoptosis". A biological process generally involves a chemical or physical change of the starting material or input.

# KEGG

<https://www.genome.jp/kegg/pathway.html>  
Bi-directional eg mTOR signaling

KEGG Databases Mapper Auto annotation Kanehisa Lab



**KEGG PATHWAY Database**  
Wiring diagrams of molecular interactions, reactions and relations

KEGG2 PATHWAY BRITE MODULE KO GENES COMPOUND DISEASE DRUG

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### Pathway Maps

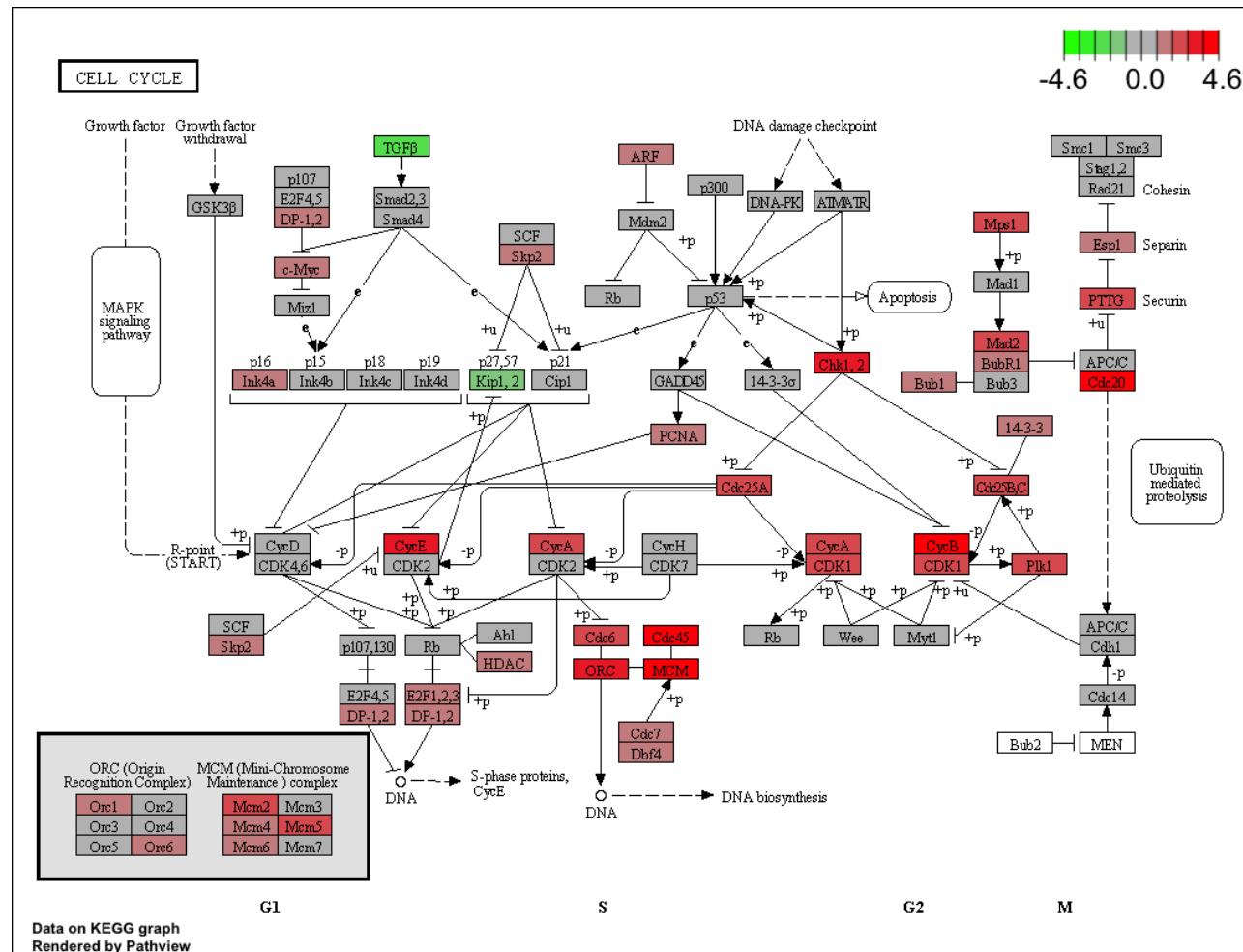
KEGG PATHWAY is a collection of manually drawn pathway maps representing our knowledge of the molecular interaction, reaction and relation networks for:

- 1. Metabolism**  
Global/overview Carbohydrate Energy Lipid Nucleotide Amino acid Other amino Glycan Cofactor/vitamin Terpenoid/PK Other secondary metabolite Xenobiotics Chemical structure
- 2. Genetic Information Processing**
- 3. Environmental Information Processing**
- 4. Cellular Processes**
- 5. Organismal Systems**
- 6. Human Diseases**
- 7. Drug Development**

KEGG PATHWAY is the reference database for pathway mapping in **KEGG Mapper**.

# Visualizations available - pathview package

```
hsa04110 <- pathview(gene.data = geneList, pathway.id = "hsa04110", species = "hsa",
limit = list(gene=max(abs(geneList)), cpd=1))
```



# Reactome

<https://reactome.org/>

The screenshot shows the Reactome website homepage. At the top left is the Reactome logo. To its right is a navigation bar with links: About, Content, Docs, Tools, Community, and Download. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with the placeholder text "Find Reactions, Proteins and Pathways" and a "Go!" button. Underneath the search bar are four large blue buttons, each representing a different tool or feature: "Pathway Browser" (with a network icon), "Analysis Tools" (with a bar chart icon), "ReactomeFIViz" (with a share icon), and "Documentation" (with a document icon).

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Find Reactions, Proteins and Pathways

e.g. O95631, NTN1, signaling by EGFR, glucose

Go!

Pathway Browser

Visualize and interact with Reactome biological pathways

Analysis Tools

Merges pathway identifier mapping, over-representation, and expression analysis

ReactomeFIViz

Designed to find pathways and network patterns related to cancer and other types of diseases

Documentation

Information to browse the database and use its principal tools for data analysis

# MSigDB

<https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/index.jsp>

**H**

**hallmark gene sets** are coherently expressed signatures derived by aggregating many MSigDB gene sets to represent well-defined biological states or processes.

**C1**

**positional gene sets** for each human chromosome and cytogenetic band.

**C2**

**curated gene sets** from online pathway databases, publications in PubMed, and knowledge of domain experts.

**C3**

**regulatory target gene sets** based on gene target predictions for microRNA seed sequences and predicted transcription factor binding sites.

**C4**

**computational gene sets** defined by mining large collections of cancer-oriented microarray data.

**C5**

**ontology gene sets** consist of genes annotated by the same ontology term.

**C6**

**oncogenic signature gene sets** defined directly from microarray gene expression data from cancer gene perturbations.

**C7**

**immunologic signature gene sets** represent cell states and perturbations within the immune system.

**C8**

**cell type signature gene sets** curated from cluster markers identified in single-cell sequencing studies of human tissue.

Download gmt files with version number:

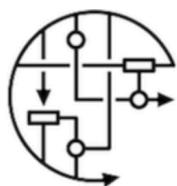
<https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/downloads.jsp>

The Hallmark collection:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4707969/>

# WikiPathways

<https://www.wikipathways.org/index.php/WikiPathways>



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You can search by:

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- Gene or protein name (*p53*)
- Any page content (*cancer*)

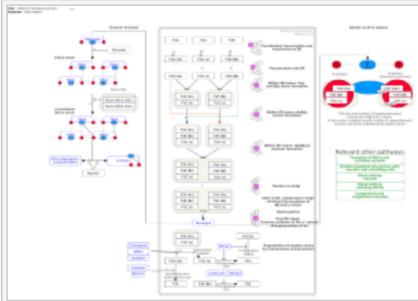
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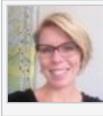
Today's Featured Pathway

COVID-19, thrombosis and anticoagulation (Homo sapiens)



COVID-19, thrombosis and anticoagulation

Curator of the Week



Kristina Hanspers (Gladstone Institutes)

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# GSEA of other gene sets in R

ClusterProfiler: GSEA for KEGG pathways

```
gseKEGG(geneList, organism = "hsa", keyType = "kegg", exponent = 1,  
nPerm = 1000, minGSSize = 10, maxGSSize = 500,  
pvalueCutoff = 0.05, pAdjustMethod = "BH", verbose = TRUE,  
use_internal_data = FALSE, seed = FALSE, by = "fgsea")
```

Import a .gmt file of gene sets and convert to format needed for clusterProfiler

```
read.gmt(gmtfile)  
  
> head(term2gene_h)  
          ont      gene  
1 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB    JUNB  
2 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB    CXCL2  
3 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB    ATF3  
4 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB    NFKBIA  
5 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB TNFAIP3  
6 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB    PTGS2
```

conversion of gene ID types with clusterProfiler (or biomaRt package)

```
bitr(geneID, fromType, toType, OrgDb, drop = TRUE)
```

biomaRt: <https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/biomaRt.html>

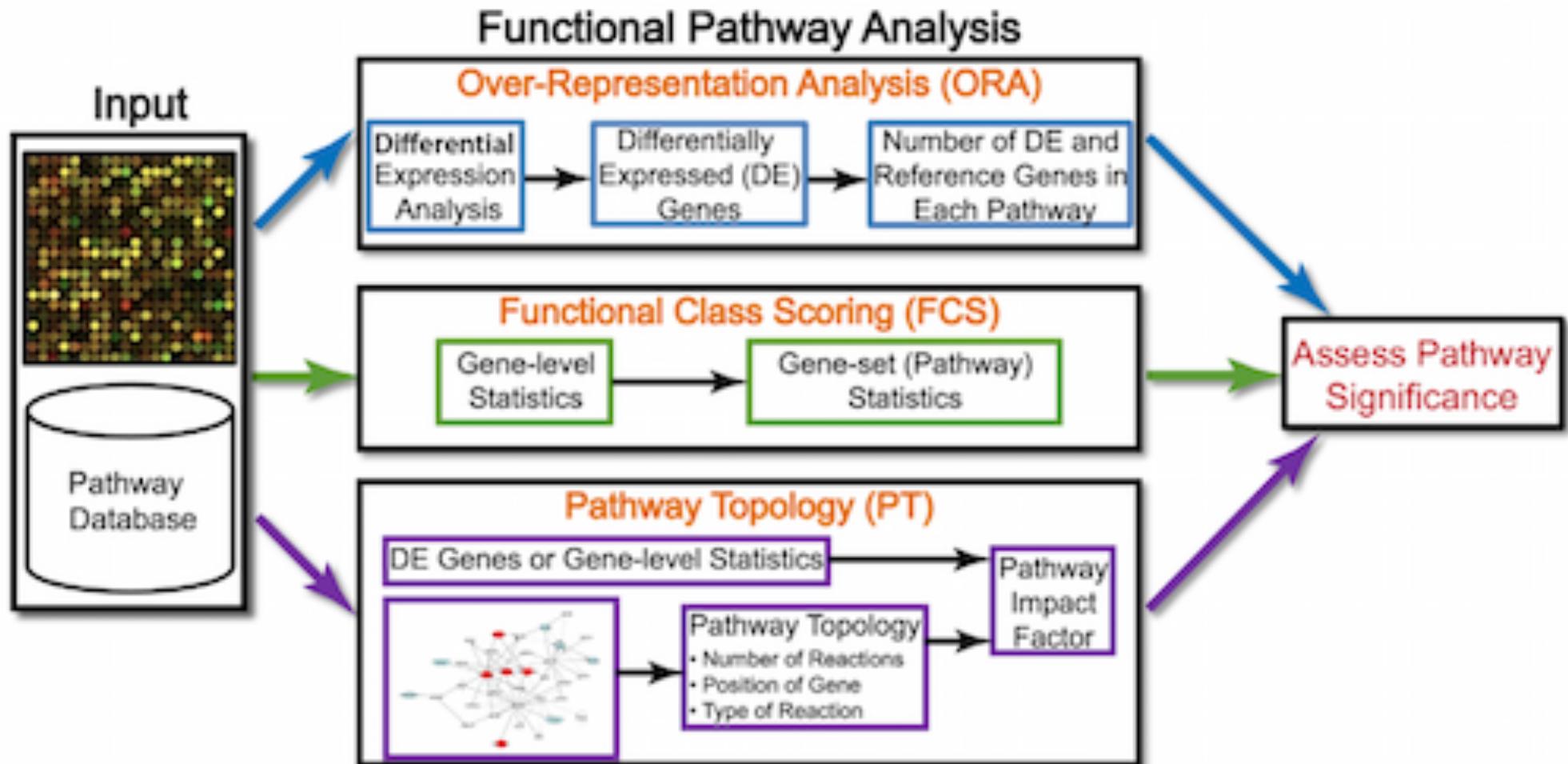
# Recap and exercise 4

- We have seen how to perform GSEA using the built-in GO gene sets. Please perform GSEA with the built-in KEGG pathways, as well as with the hallmark gene sets obtained from MSigDB.
- Exercise 4: use functions of clusterProfiler and data provided in Ex. 1, and hallmark gene sets downloaded from MSigDB
  - First convert the gene symbols to EntrezID to perform a GSEA of KEGG pathways (with argument minGSSize=30).
  - Explore the results. Is there a KEGG immune-related gene set coming up? Is there a KEGG Natural killer gene set coming up?
  - Import the hallmark gene sets and run a GSEA. How many significant gene sets are there?

# Limitations of enrichment analysis

- **On the influence of several factors on pathway enrichment analysis**
- [https://academic.oup.com/bib/article/23/3/  
bbac143/6572658](https://academic.oup.com/bib/article/23/3/bbac143/6572658)
- **Urgent need for consistent standards in functional enrichment analysis**
- [https://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article?  
id=10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009935](https://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article?id=10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009935)

# Enrichment/functional analysis - summary



# Functional analysis: Pathway topology tools

Signaling pathway impact analysis (SPIA)

Identification of dys-regulated pathways: taking into account gene interaction information + fold changes and adjusted p-values from differential expression analysis

KEGG pathway	P <sub>NDE</sub>	P <sub>PERT</sub>	P <sub>G</sub>	P <sub>FDR</sub>	P <sub>FWER</sub>	Status
Focal adhe..4510	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	0.00000	0.00000	Act.
ECM-recept..4512	0.0001	0.0004	0.0000	0.00001	0.00002	Act.
PPAR signa..3320	0.0000	0.1240	0.0000	0.00011	0.00034	Inh.
Alzheimers..5010	0.0000	0.7260	0.0001	0.00059	0.00235	Act.
Adherens j..4520	0.0001	0.0852	0.0001	0.00090	0.00452	Act.
Axon guida..4360	0.0002	0.2324	0.0006	0.00487	0.02922	Act.
MAPK signa..4010	0.0001	0.7112	0.0007	0.00504	0.03527	Inh.
Tight junc..4530	0.0007	0.5156	0.0032	0.02073	0.16585	Act.

$$P_{NDE} = P(X \geq N_{DE} | H_0)$$

P<sub>PERT</sub>: probability to observe a larger perturbation than observed

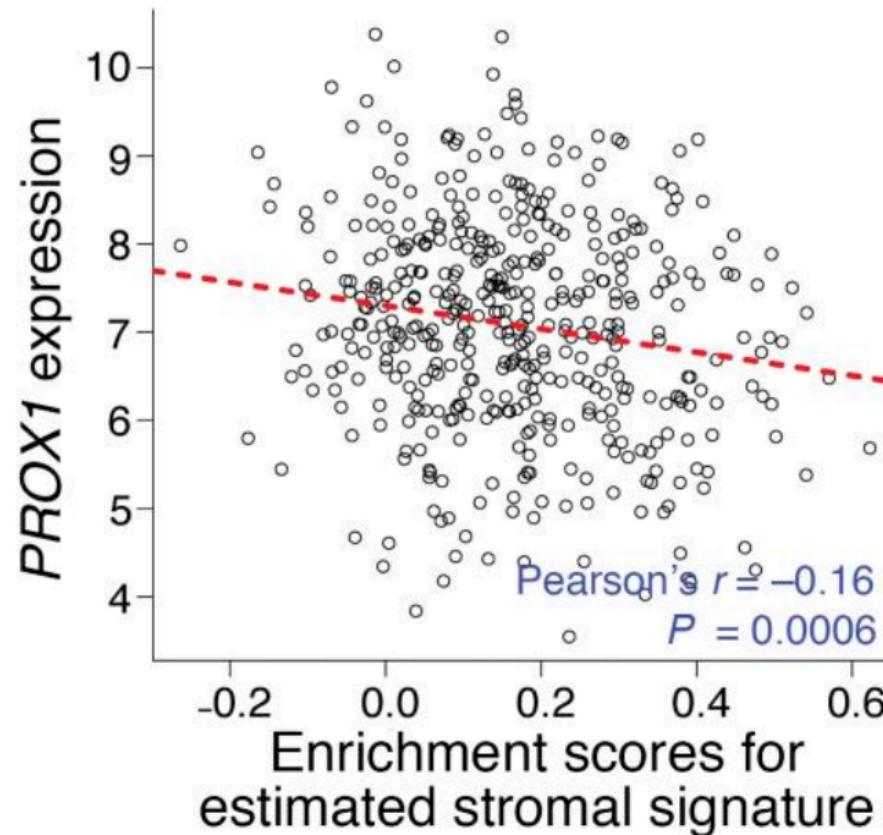
P<sub>G</sub>: combination of P<sub>NDE</sub> and P<sub>PERT</sub>

P<sub>FDR</sub>: adjusted FDR p-value

P<sub>FWER</sub>: adjusted FDR p-value (more conservative)

<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/SPIA.html>

# Single-sample gene set variation analysis



GSVA:

<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/GSVA.html>

<https://www.jci.org/articles/view/129558>

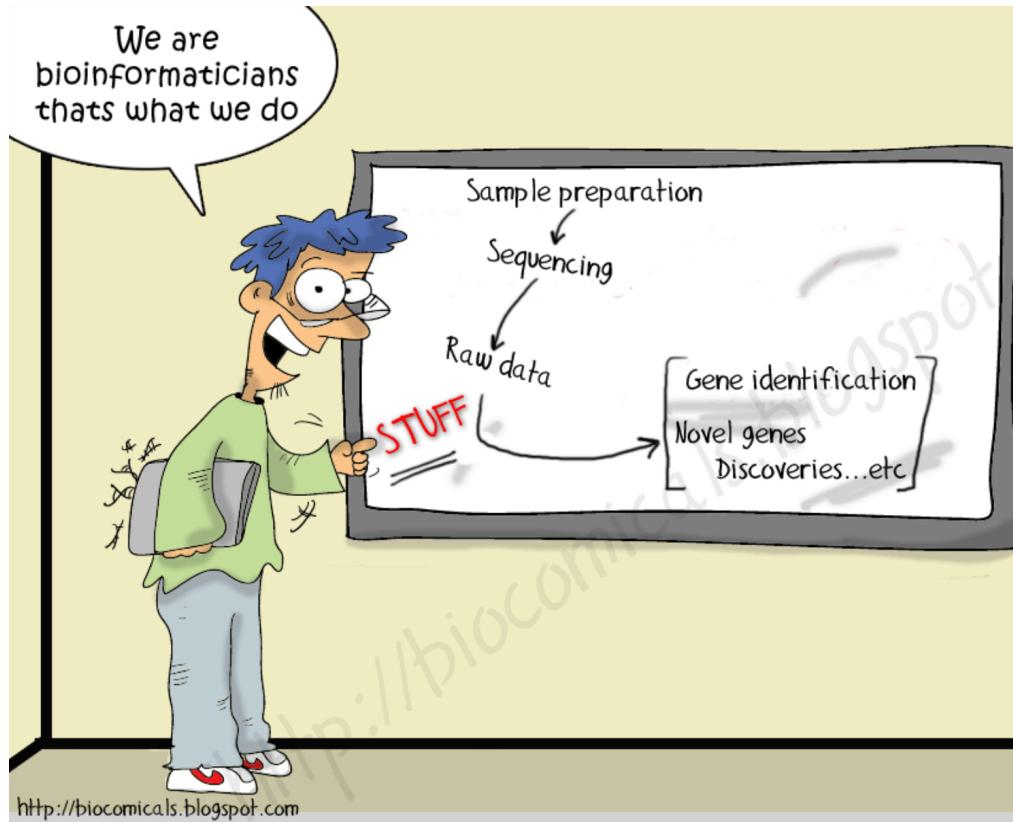
# Credits: 0.25 ECTS

- Please provide answers and R code for an additional exercise (eg 1 Word with answers and figures and 1 script file, or 1 file generated from Rmarkdown)

[https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/  
#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits](https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits)

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