

Transcriptomic analyses of in vitro flavivirus- or coronavirus-infected cells

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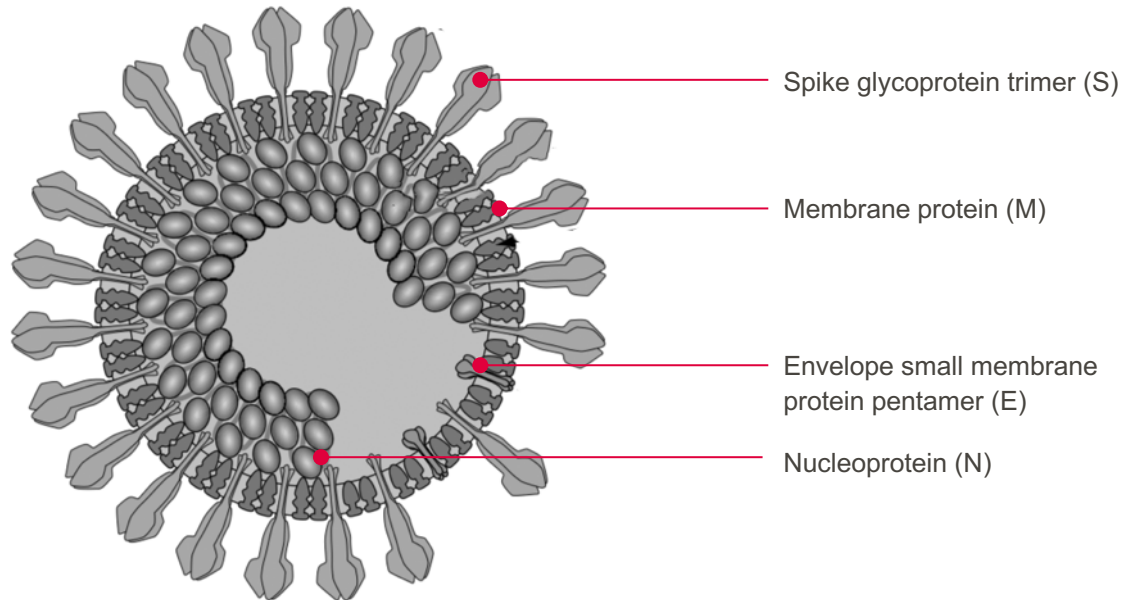
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Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2) and Flavivirus (DENV, WNV) virions

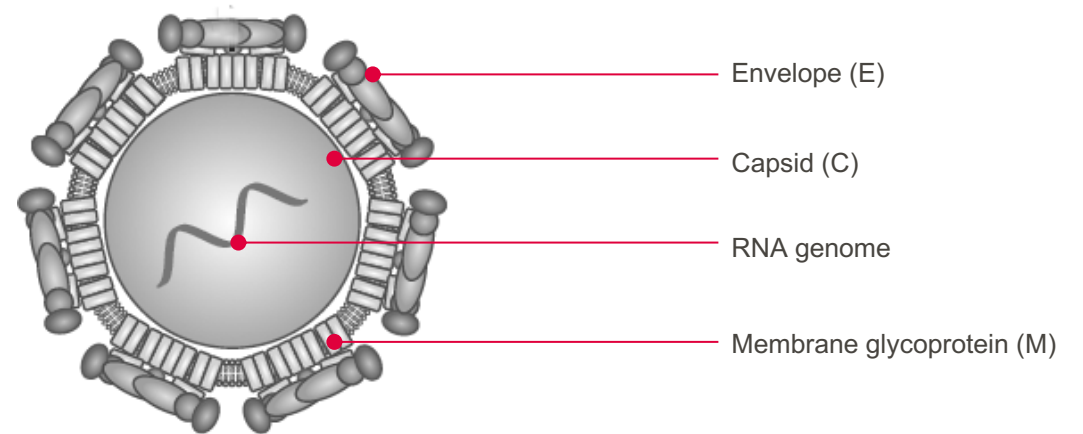
SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2



Positive SS-RNA, enveloped, 80–160 nm in size, 27–32 Kb, 4 S, 16 NS and 9 accessory proteins (29 proteins in total)

Adapted from ViralZone 2020 SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics:
https://www.viprbrc.org/brc/home.spg?decorator=corona_ncov

Dengue virus, West Nile virus



Positive SS-RNA, enveloped, 40–50 nm in size, 10 Kb, 3 S and 7 NS proteins (10 proteins in total)

Adapted from Pierson, T.C. and Diamond, M.S. (2020) The continued threat of emerging flaviviruses. *Nat. Microbiol.* 5, 796–812.

Background on SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2 coronaviruses

SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2 (Coronavirus, Coronaviridae)

Worldwide COVID-19 pandemic (>22 million cases, >780,000 deaths) caused by SARS-CoV-2 (as of August 19, 2020)*

- Highly pathogenic, fatality rate: 1–3%
- Infection of airway epithelium cells mainly by airborne droplets
- Hypercytokinemia, severe inflammation, etc.
- Cases with mild symptoms: 80–85%
- Severe cases: 10–15% of cases exhibit severe pneumonia and respiratory failure requiring ICU hospitalization and mechanical ventilation; death rate up to 25%
- Severity correlates with many factors (age, gender, race and co-morbidities such as heart diseases, lung diseases, kidney diseases, type II diabetes and obesity)

Biomedical research response:

- Extremely intensive area of research, some progress, but no highly effective therapies or vaccines for COVID-19 yet.
 - August 19, 2020: 2103 trials, 8 completed with results (<https://www.covid19-trials.com>)
 - August 19, 2020: 34 vaccine trials in phase I to III, (https://vac-lshtm.shinyapps.io/ncov_vaccine_landscape/)

*Johns Hopkins University, Coronavirus Resource Center: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

Background on Dengue virus and West Nile arboviruses

DENV and WNV (Flavivirus, Flaviviridae)

Global spread, epidemic transmission

- Both are arboviruses (arthropods are the vectors: mosquitoes)
- Infection of myeloid cells

DENV

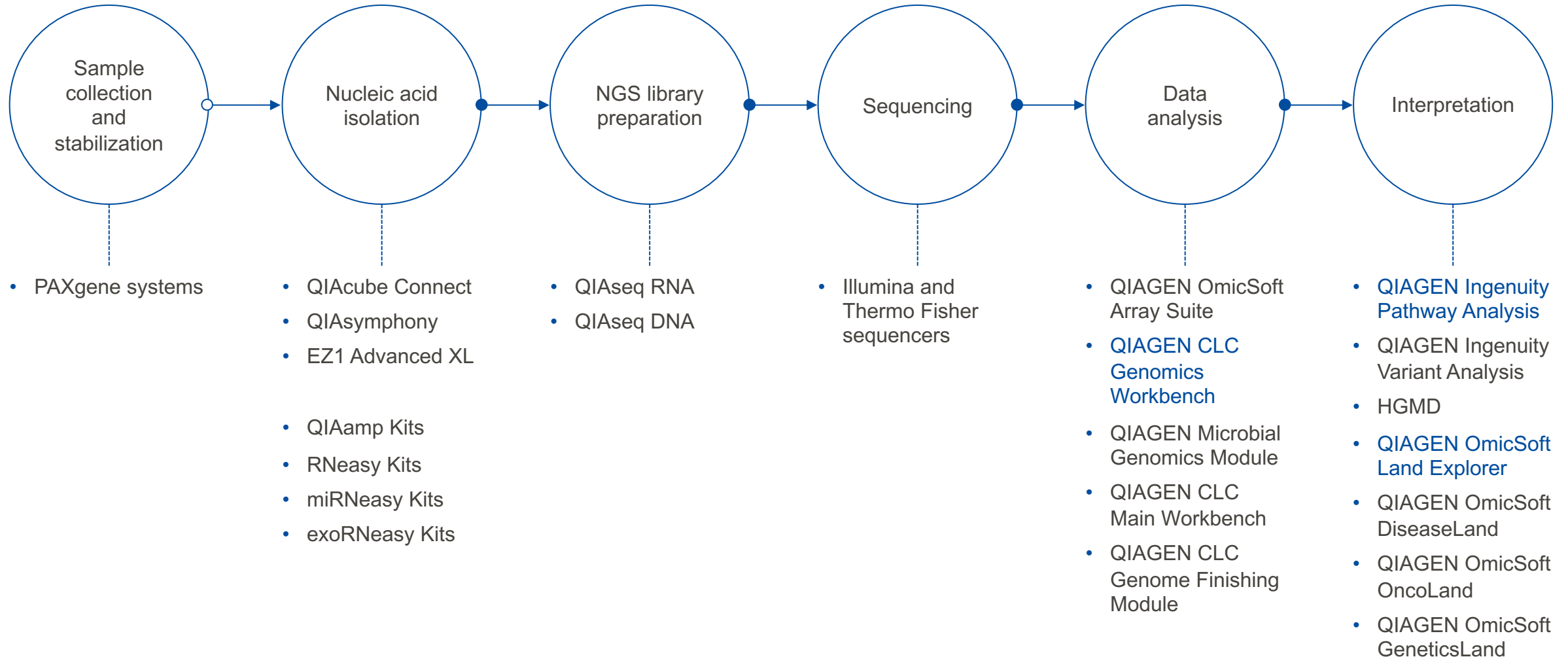
- Mild to severe disease, (390 million total infections), 100 million clinically apparent cases and 500,000/year severe dengue cases, 22,000 deaths and 2.5 billion at risk
- Visceral and hemorrhagic diseases (vascular leakage, thrombocytopenia, shock syndrome, etc.)
- Denvaxia – the only live attenuated vaccine, partially effective against DENV

WNV

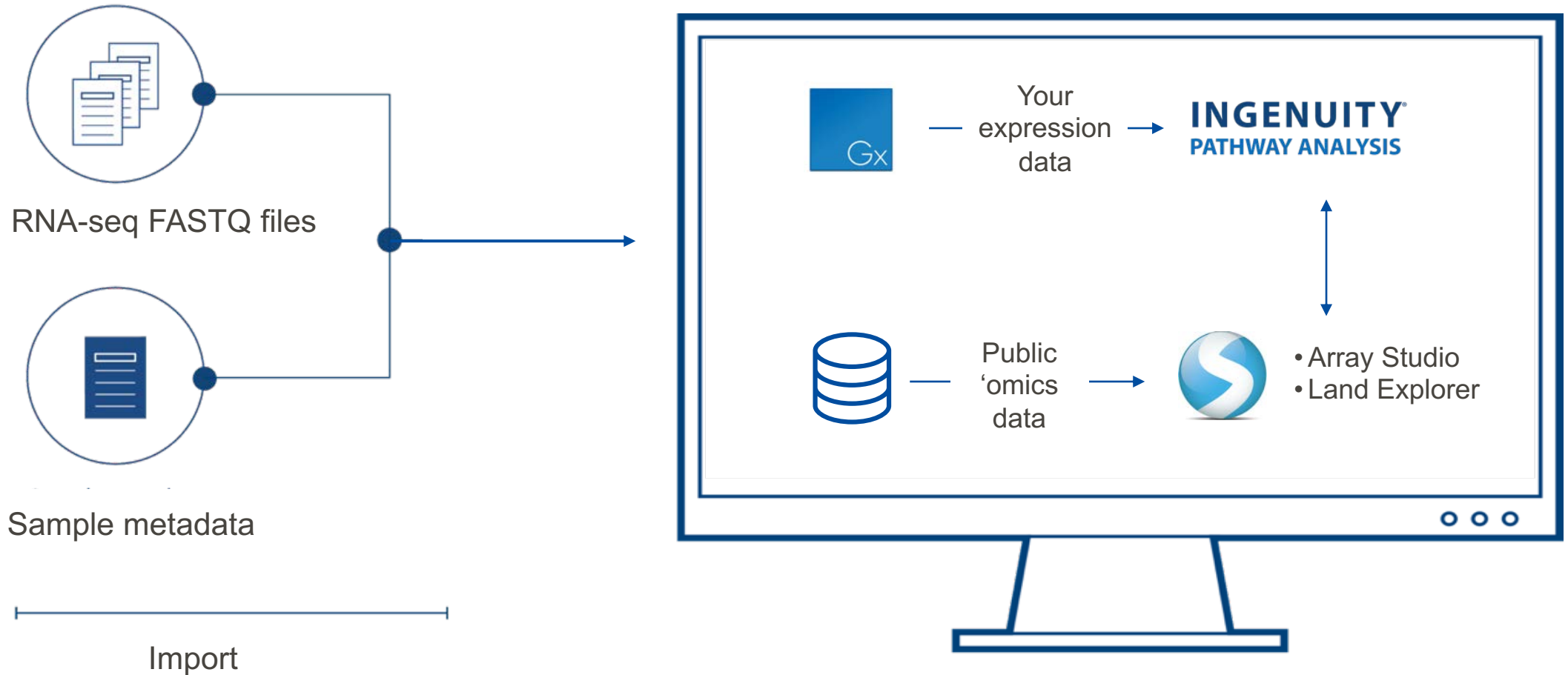
- Induces neurological diseases (encephalitis, meningitis, cognitive impairment, seizure disorders and paralysis)
- 80% asymptomatic, but fatality rate for symptomatic cases is 10%
- Severity correlate with many factors (age, co-morbidities, genes polymorphisms, immune status, etc.)
- Currently, no WNV vaccines or antiviral treatments are approved for human use

QIAGEN Sample to Insight

QIAGEN Sample to Insight solution



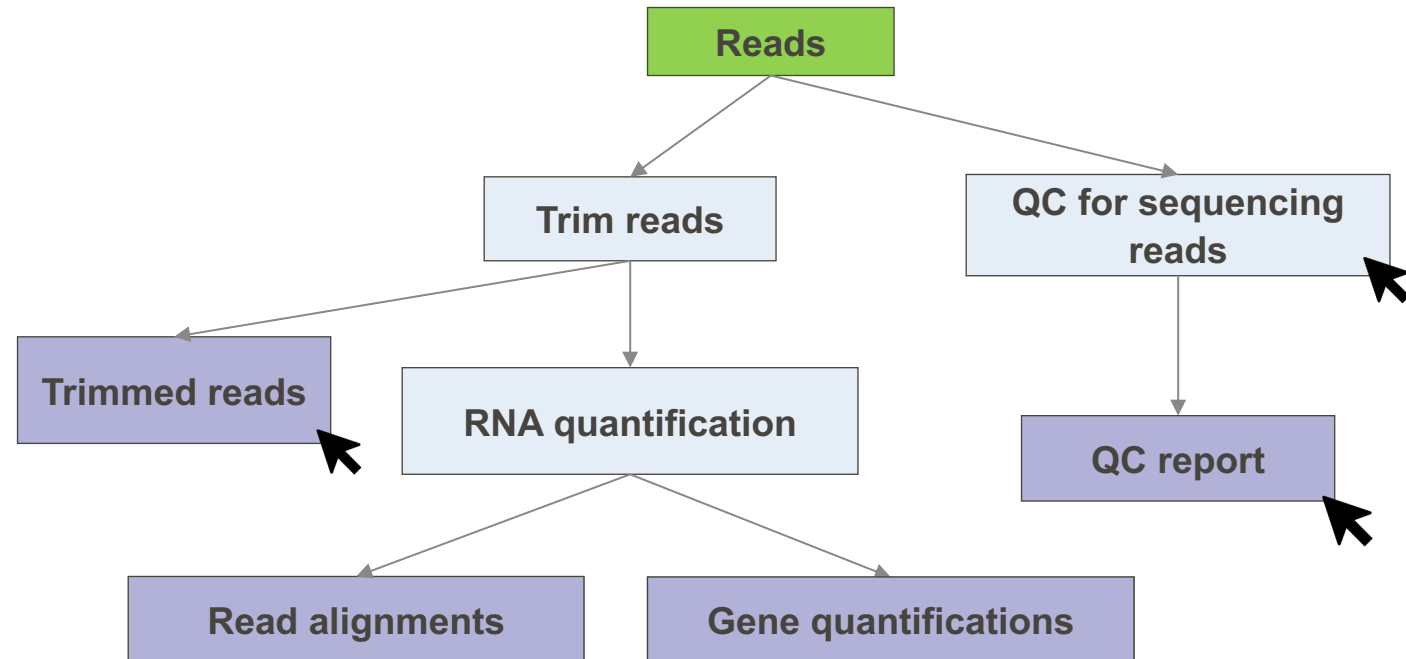
QIAGEN CLC Genomics Workbench to QIAGEN IPA & QIAGEN OmicSoft Land Explorer



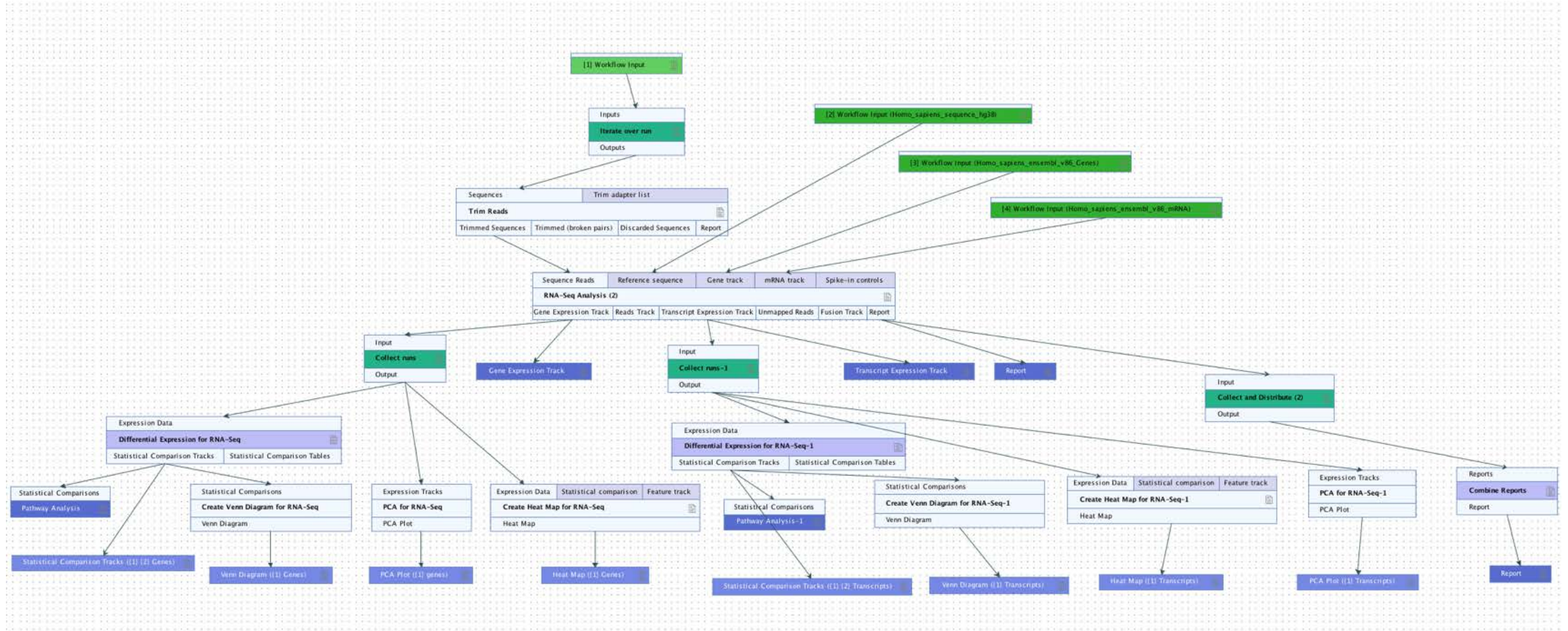
An example workflow for RNA-seq

Customizable drag-and-drop workflow

- It can adapt to simple or sophisticated workflows
- It can produce intermediate files



Analysis of host response in QIAGEN CLC Genomics Workbench/Genomics Cloud Engine



Workflow metadata

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Output from QIAGEN CLC Genomics Workbench

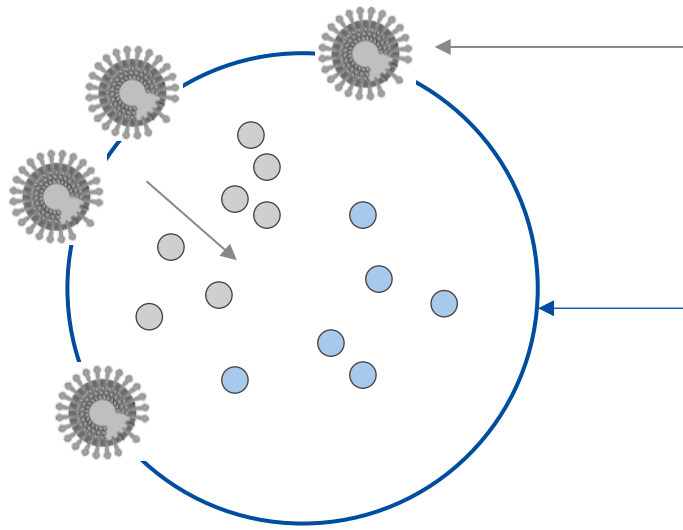
Expression tracking at gene or transcript level

Differential expression profiling at gene and transcript level:
SARS-CoV-1/-2 vs. mock

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 - 📁 JN SARASCoV1 SARASCoV2 Analyze one Iterate Collect GE TE
 - 📁 Workflow Result Metadata
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- 📄 PCA for RNA-Seq genes
- 📄 PCA for RNA-Seq Transcripts
- 📄 SARS-CoV-1 vs. mock SRR11549995 (GE) Genes
- 📄 SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock SRR11549995 (GE) Genes
- 📄 SARS-CoV-1 vs. mock SRR11549997 (TE) Transcripts
- 📄 SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock SRR11549997 (TE) Transcripts
- 📄 Heat Map for RNA-Seq Genes
- 📄 Heat Map for RNA-Seq Transcripts
- 📄 SRR11549981 (Combined report)
- 📄 Venn Diagram Genes
- 📄 Venn Diagram Transcripts

The battle of virus versus host



Virus is trying to

- Shut down the host's anti-viral activities
- Boost host activities needed for replication

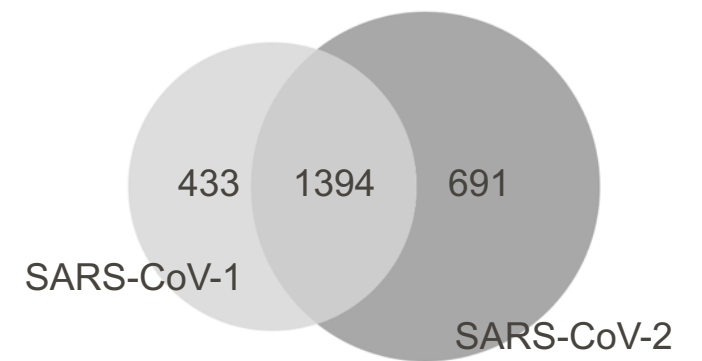
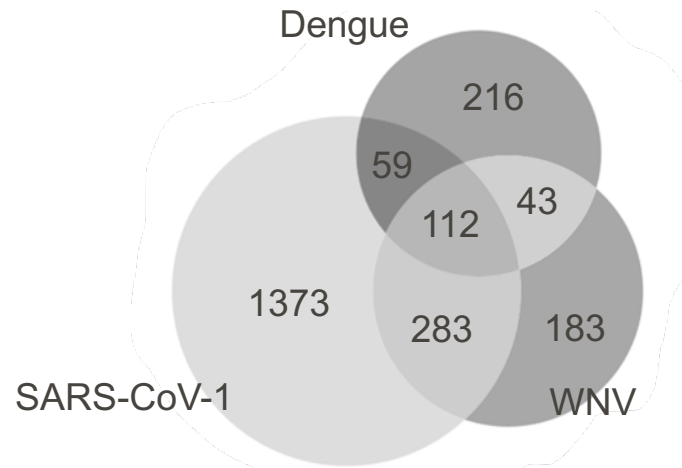
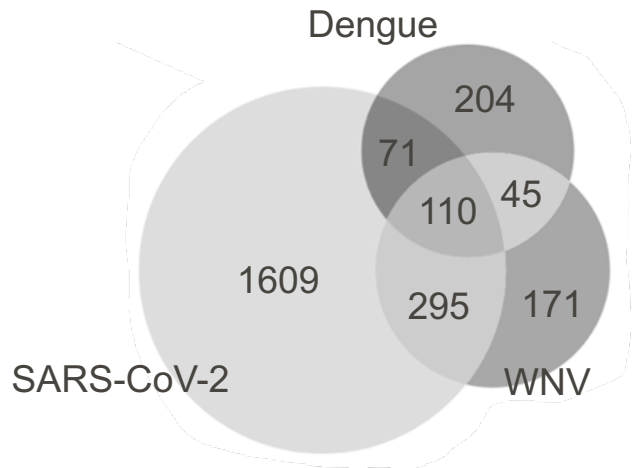
Host is trying to

- Increase anti-viral responses
- Starve virus of resources

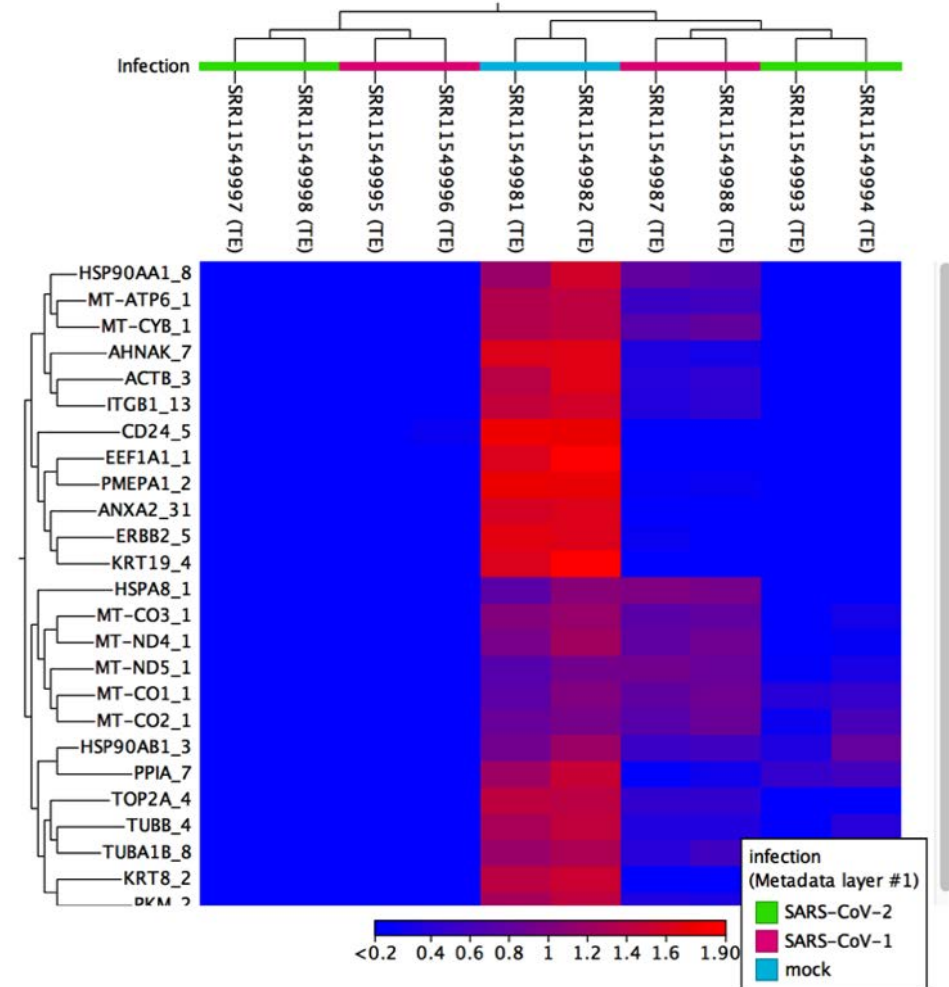
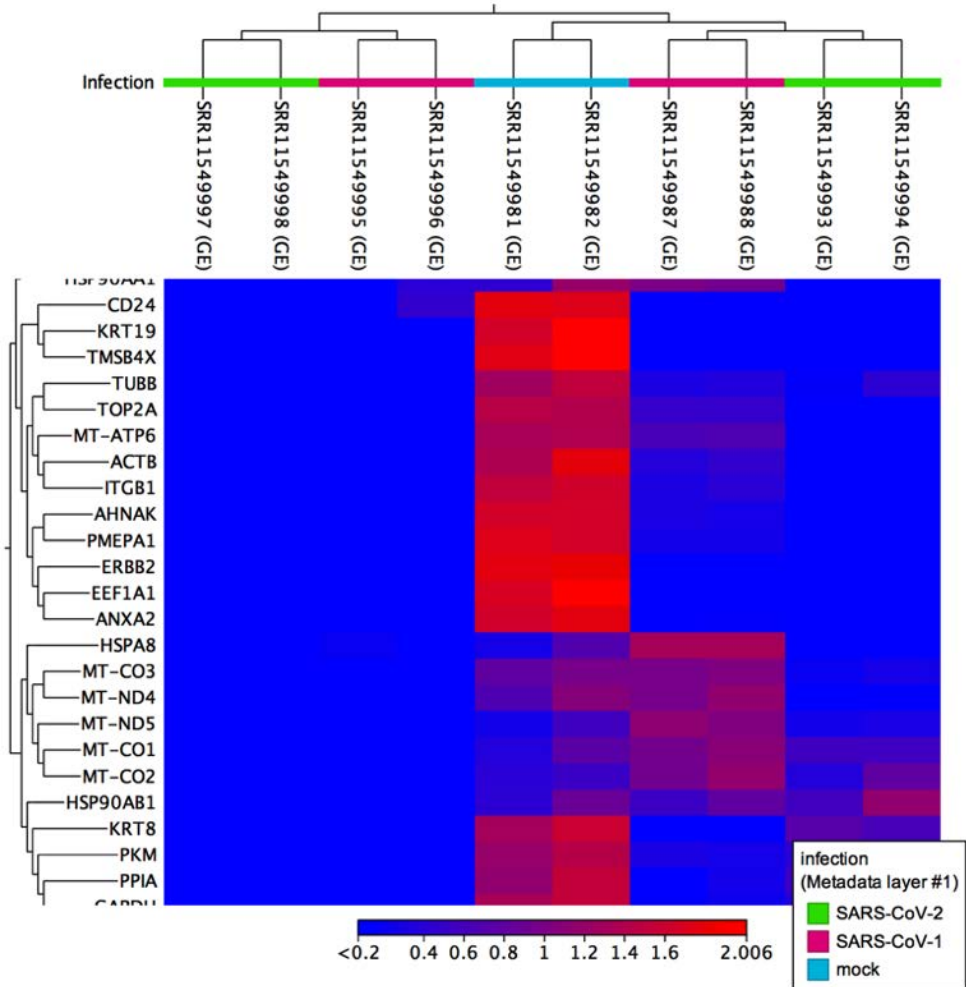
● The transcriptome is a snapshot of these opposing efforts at a point in time.

Impact on differential gene expression by each virus

GEO#	virus	cells	species	tissue	Instrument	Library Layout	MOI	Differentially Expressed Genes p<0.05, Fold change > 1.5 , min expression >5				virus
								4 hour	12 hour	24 hour	36 hour	
GSE148729	SARS-CoV-1	Calu3	Human	Lung	NextSeq500	Single	0.3	88	386	1827		SARS-CoV-1
GSE148729	SARS-CoV-2	Calu3	Human	Lung	NextSeq500	Single	0.3	230	1314	2085		SARS-CoV-2
GSE84285	Dengue	A549	Human	Lung	HiSeq4000	Paired	10			430	1094	Dengue
GSE138841	WNV	A549	Human	Lung	HiSeq1500	Paired	5			621		WNV
GSE138841	WNV (with TRIM6KO)	A549	Human	Lung	HiSeq1500	Paired	5			2151		WNV (with TRIM6KO)



Heatmap of RNA-seq genes: SARS-CoV-1 or SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock

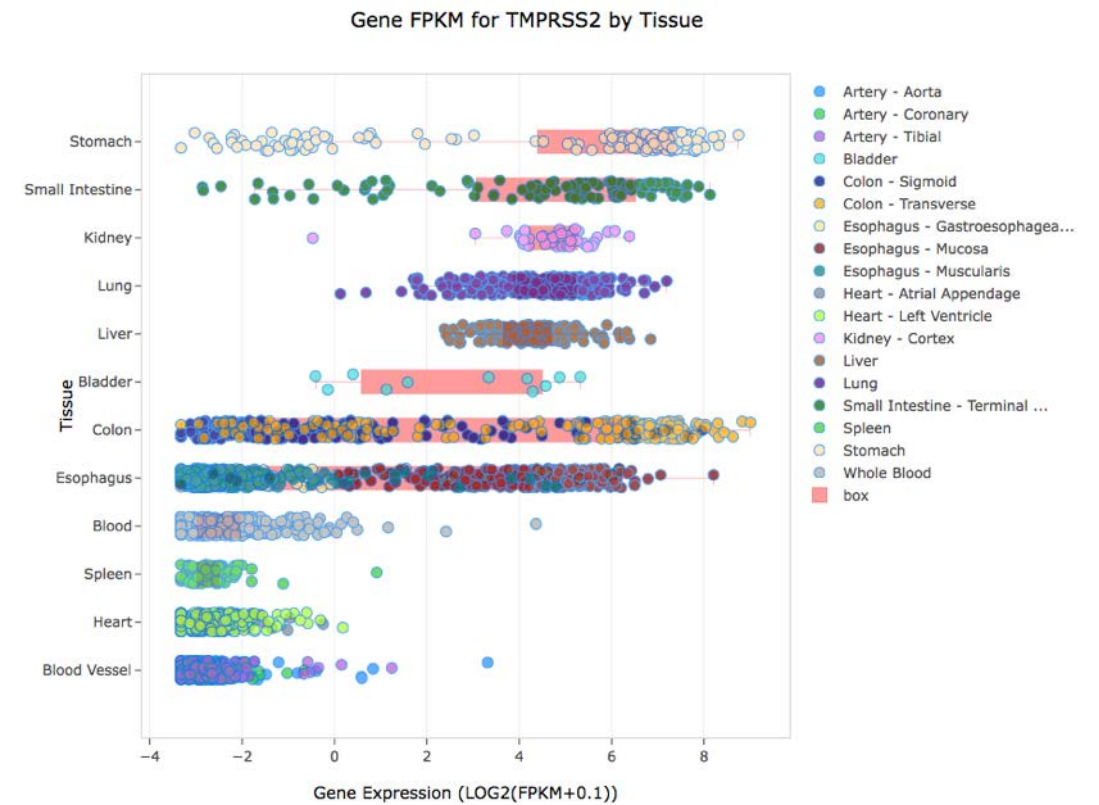
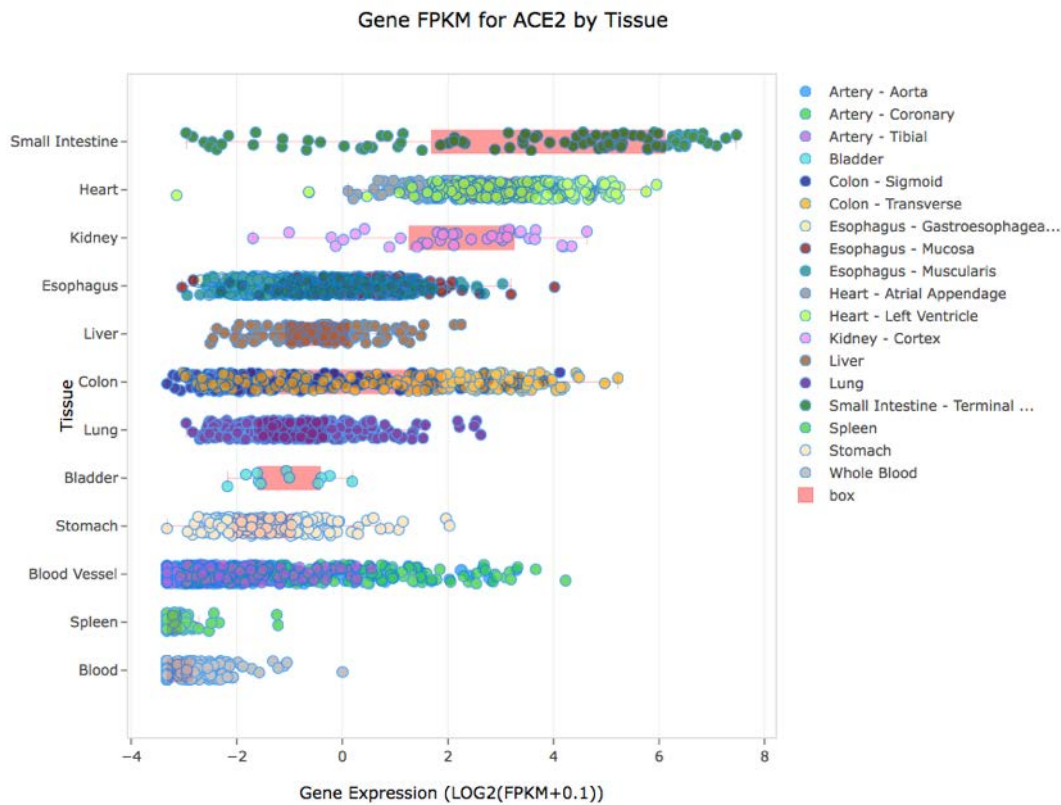


Similarities of molecular patterns after in vitro infection with flavivirus or coronavirus

Expression in lung, kidney, gut and heart tissues and blood vessels (target organs in COVID-19)

ACE2 is receptor, expression in tissues (GTEX-B38)

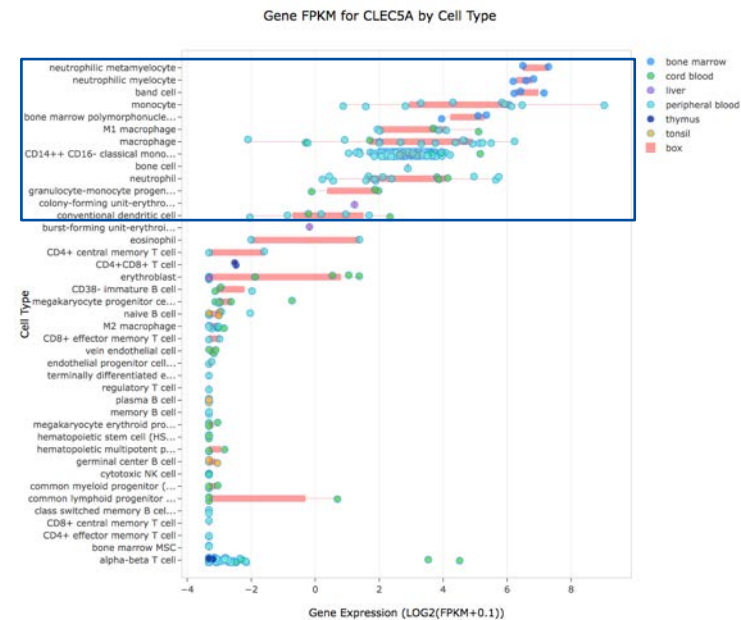
TMPRSS2 is the priming protease, expression in tissues (GTEX-B38)



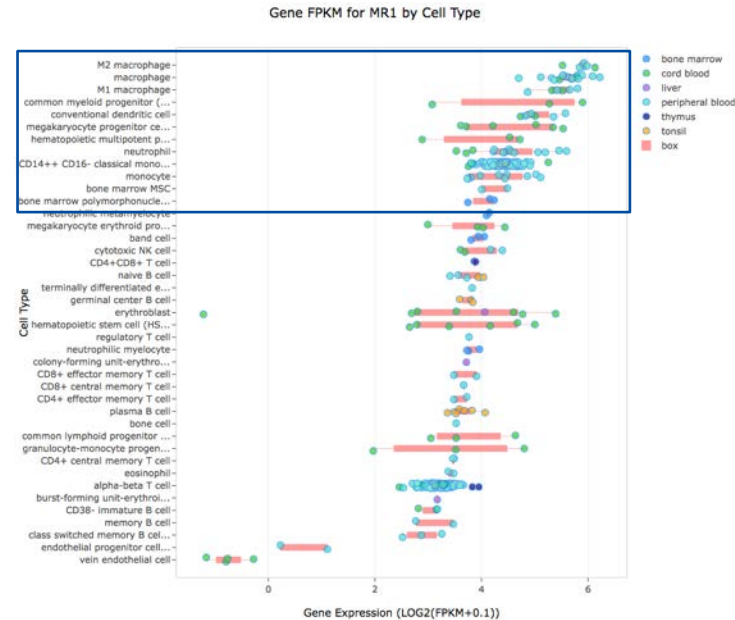
Potential receptors for Dengue virus (3) and West Nile virus (2)

Expression in myeloid cells (Blueprint-B38)

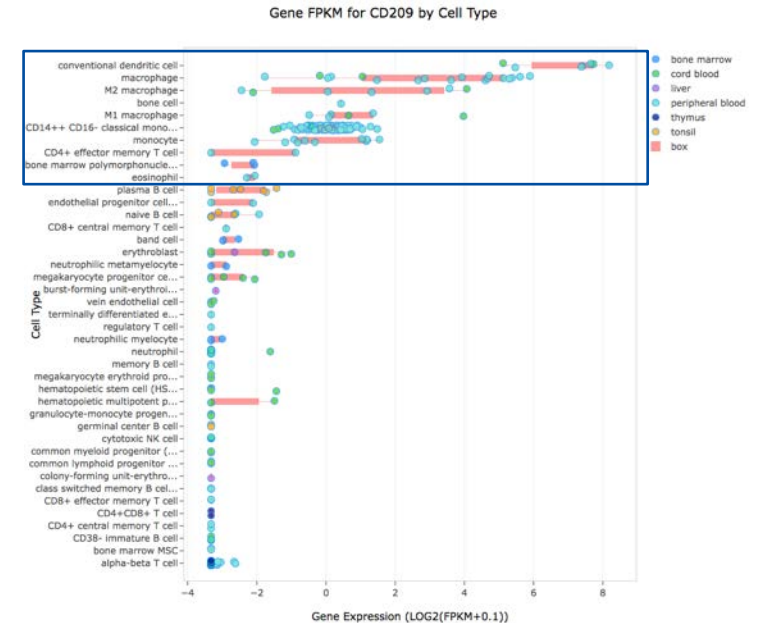
CLEC5A (C-type lectin)



MR1 (Mannose receptor)




CD209 (DC-SIGN)



Summary of a QIAGEN IPA core analysis

Expression Analysis - SARS-CoV-2 vs mock (GE) 24h calu3 v2

Summary | Graphical Summary | Canonical Pathways | Upstream Analysis | Diseases & Functions | Regulator Effects | Networks | Lists | My ... < >

Export: 

> Experiment Metadata

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∨ Top Canonical Pathways

Name	p-value	Overlap
Superpathway of Cholesterol Biosynthesis	4.95E-18	75.9 % 22/29
Cholesterol Biosynthesis I	2.61E-12	92.3 % 12/13
Cholesterol Biosynthesis II (via 24,25-dihydrolanosterol)	2.61E-12	92.3 % 12/13
Cholesterol Biosynthesis III (via Desmosterol)	2.61E-12	92.3 % 12/13
Kinetochore Metaphase Signaling Pathway	2.70E-12	33.7 % 34/101

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∨ Top Upstream Regulators

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Name	p-value	Predicted Activation
IFNG	2.58E-73	Activated
TP53	2.83E-63	Activated
IFNA2	3.10E-58	Activated
TNF	8.18E-56	Activated
poly rI:rC-RNA	6.31E-55	Activated

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∨ Causal Network

Name	p-value	Predicted Activation
IFNB1	1.60E-89	Activated
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IPA analysis of Calu-3 transcriptome (gene level) 1 day after infection

Cutoffs in IPA:

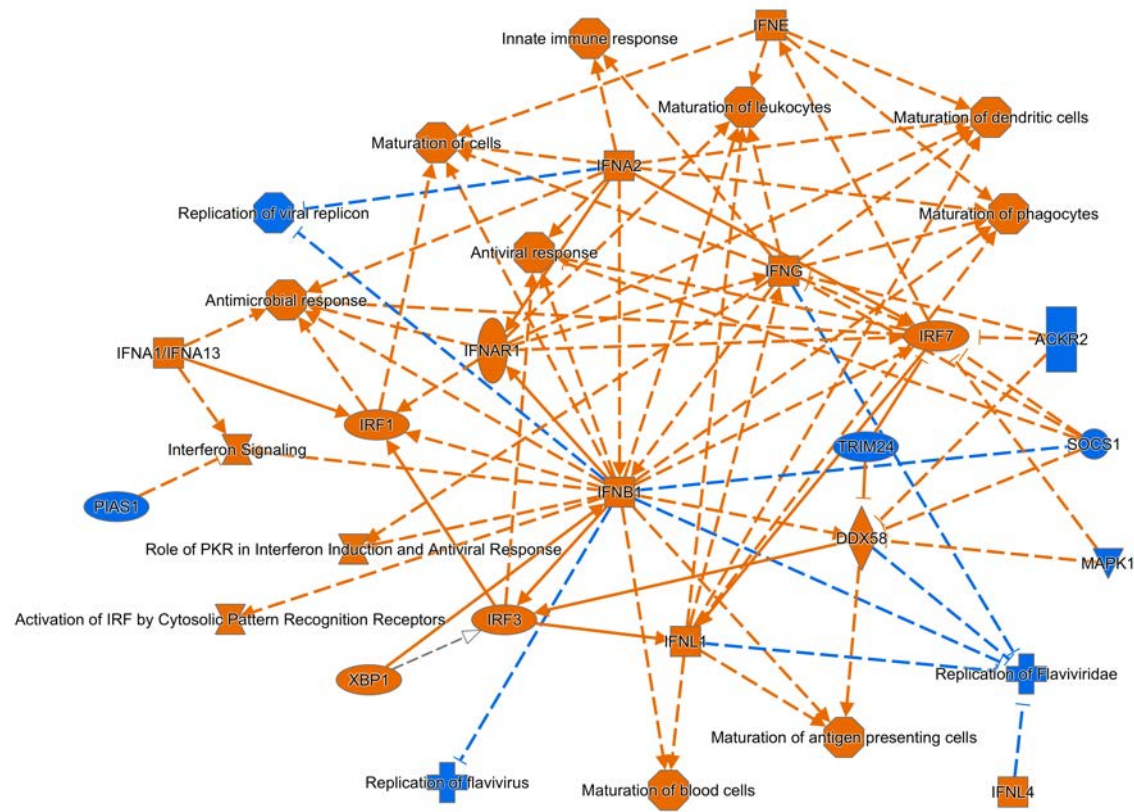
- Absolute fold change >1.5
- p-value < 0.05
- Min. counts (SARS-CoV-2 or mock) ≥ 5

Comparison for this analysis:

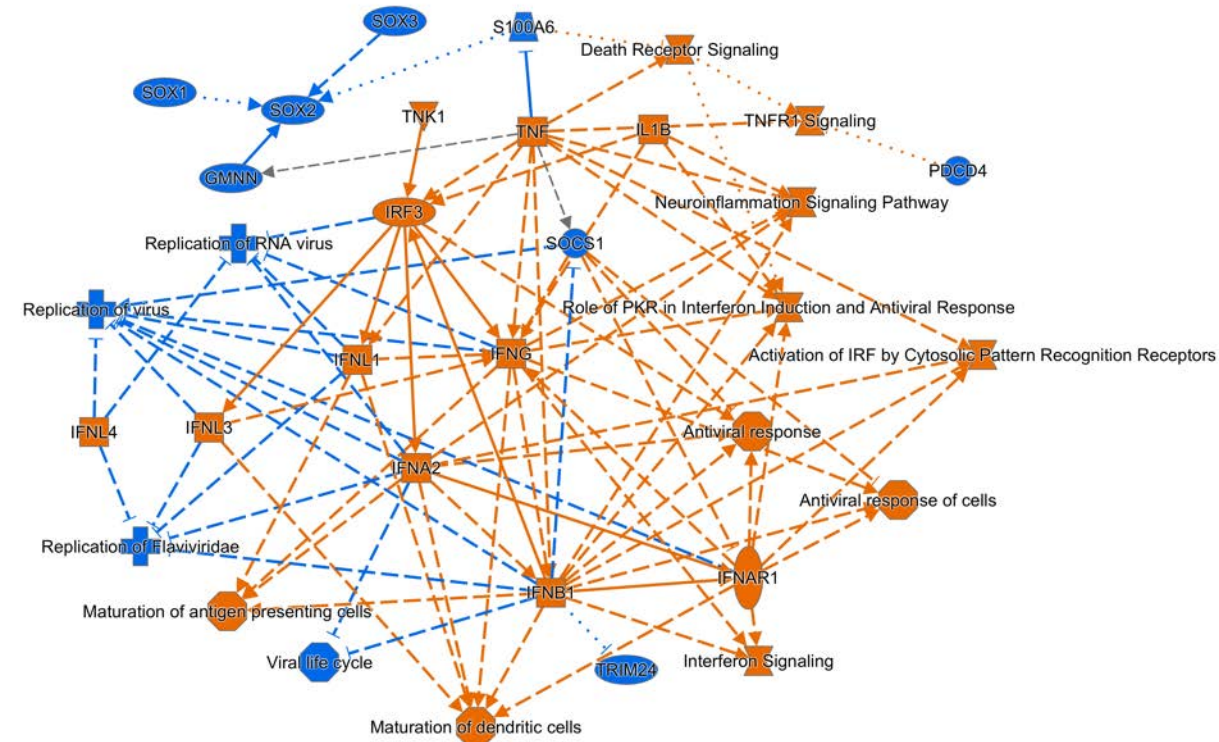
SARS-CoV-2 infected Calu-3
Mock-infected Calu-3

Graphical summary of Dengue virus- and West Nile virus-infected A549 cells

DENV vs. mock (GE) 24 hours, A549

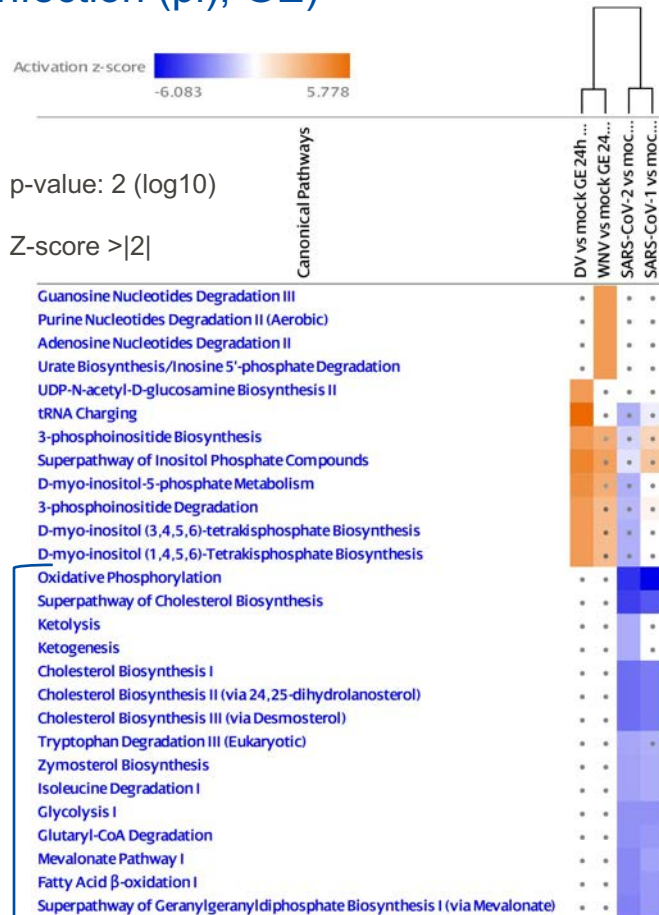


West Nile virus vs. mock (GE) 24 hours, A549

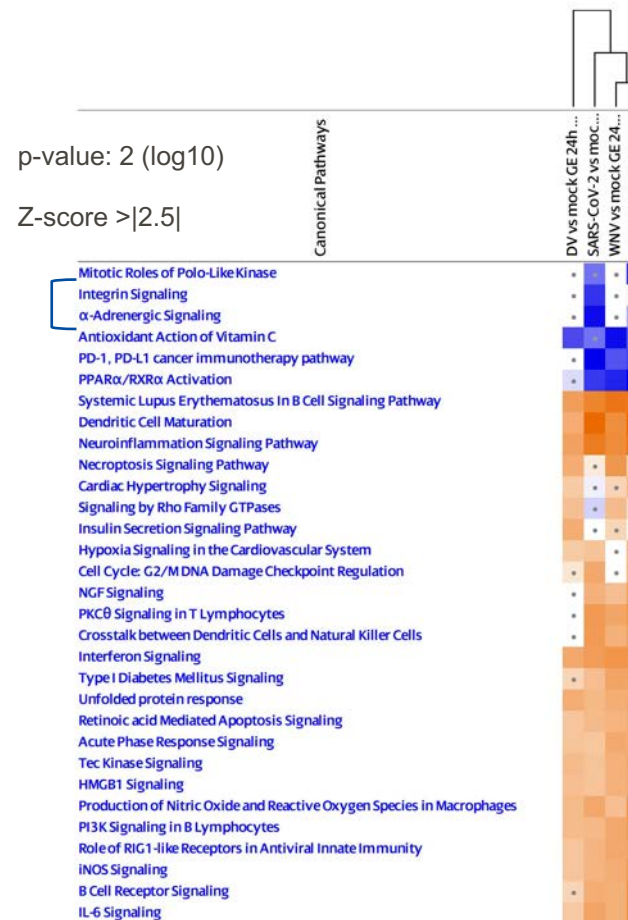


Comparison of Canonical Pathways of the 4 virus-infected cells vs. mock

Metabolic Pathways (24 h post infection (pi), GE)



Signaling Pathways (24 h pi, GE)

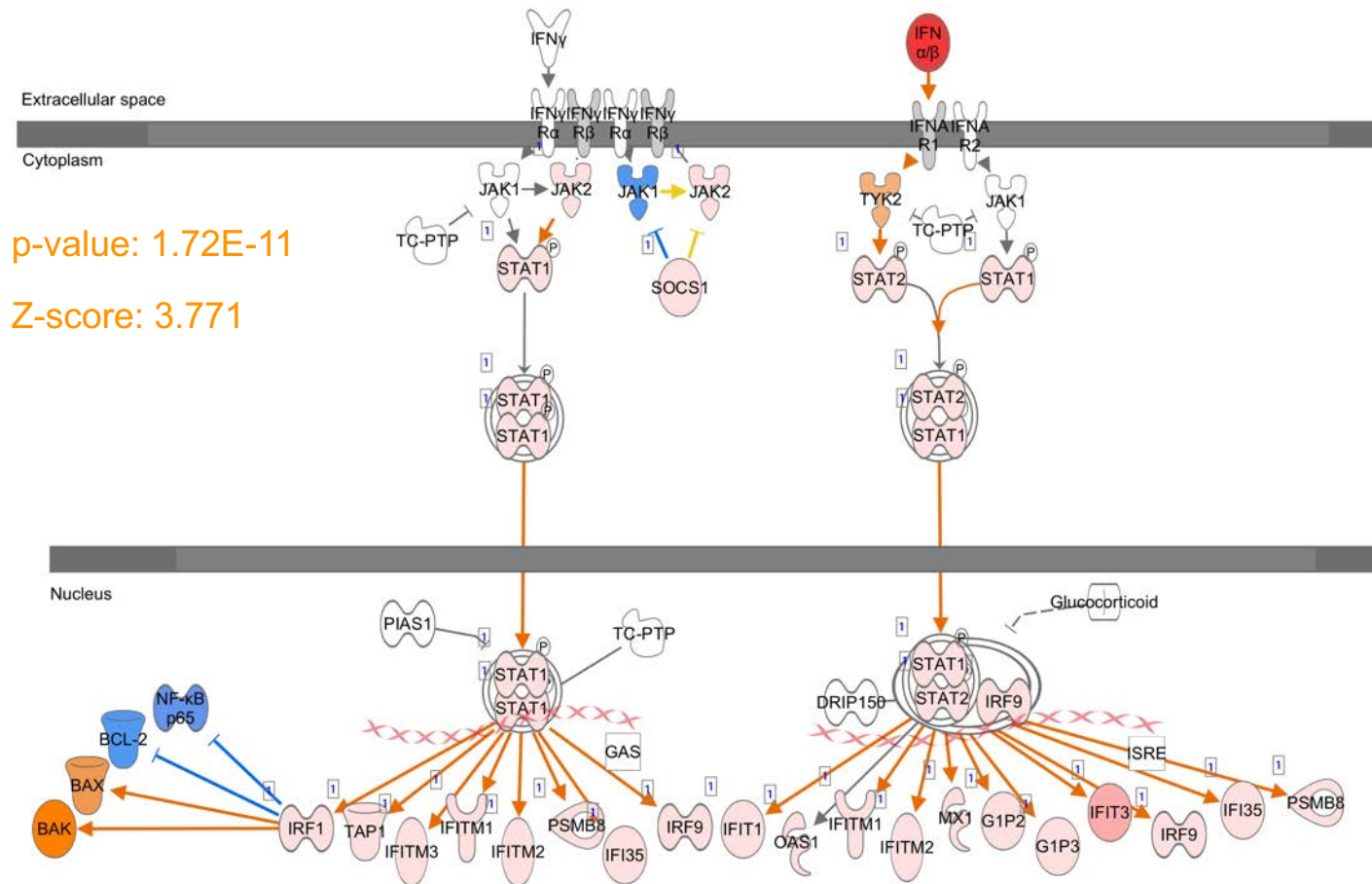


Signaling Pathways (continued)



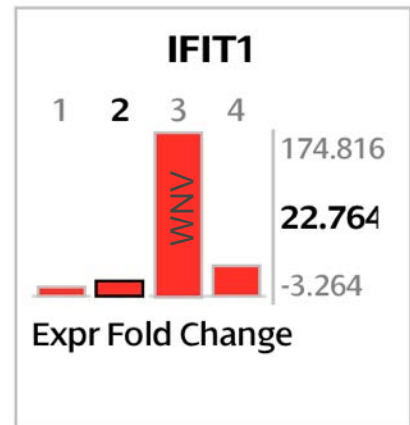
Interferon signaling is activated in SARS-CoV-2-infected Calu-3 cells at 24 h pi (GE)

One of the hallmarks of antiviral defense is activated across all four (not shown) in vitro virus-infected cells



p-value: 1.72E-11

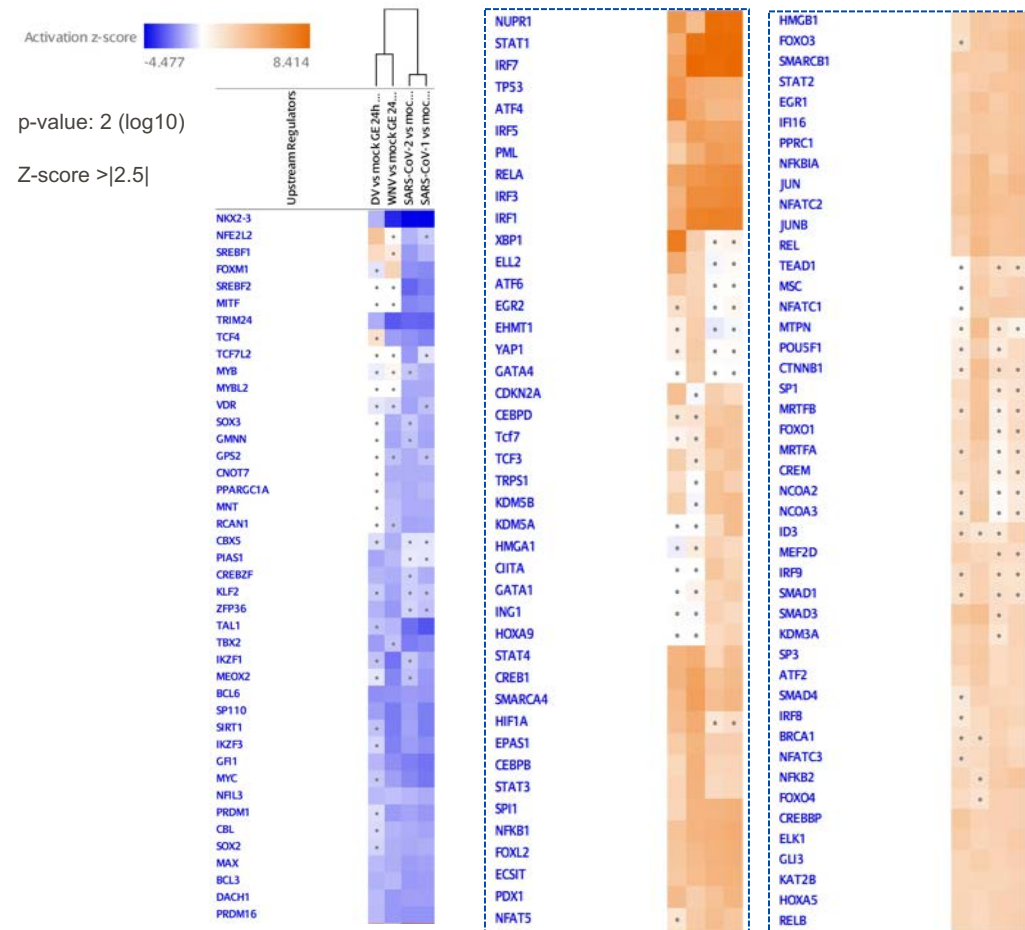
Z-score: 3.771



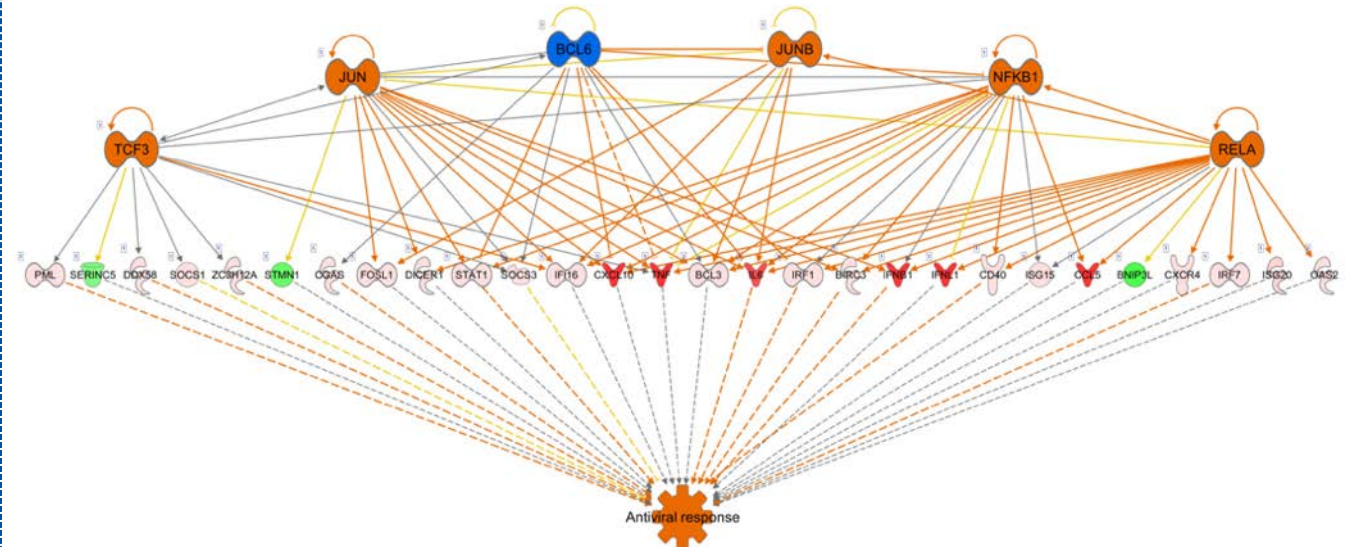
Comparing Upstream Regulators of the 4 virus-infected cells vs. mock at 24 h pi (GE)

Similar Transcription Regulator program is induced

Antiviral response is increased (Regulator Effect)

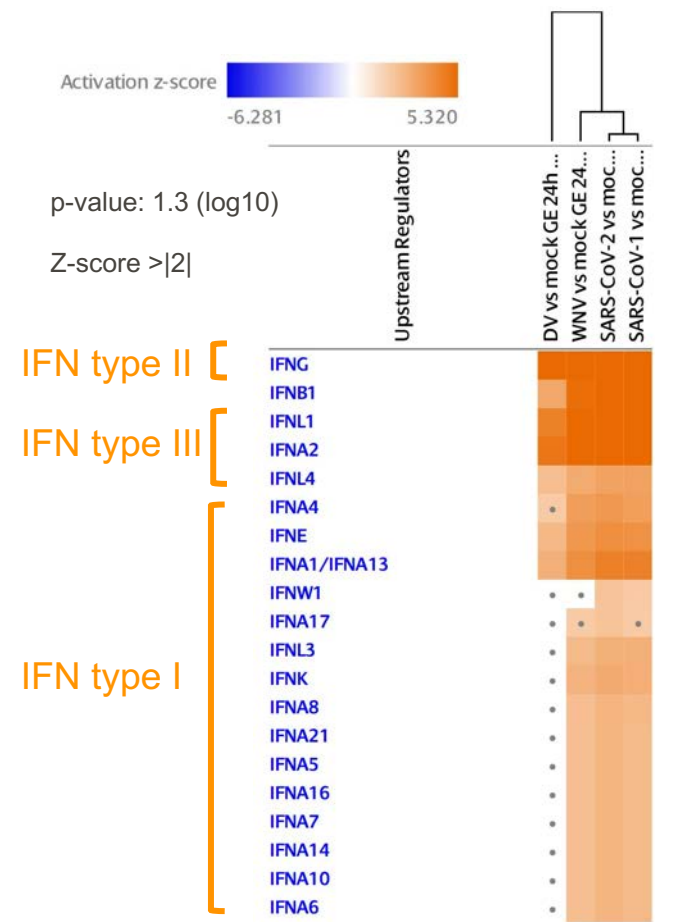


SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock

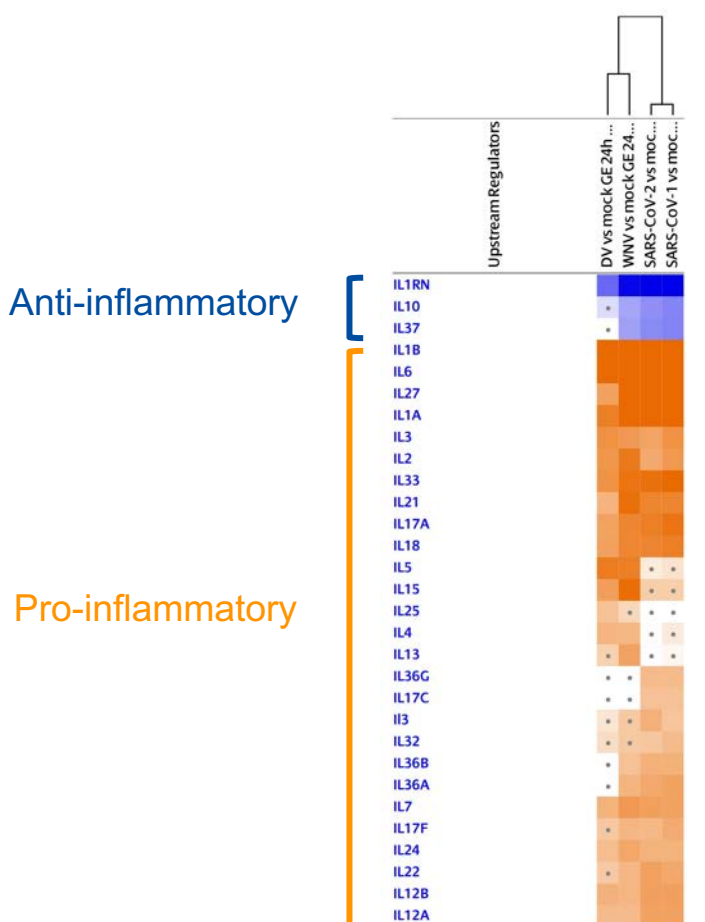


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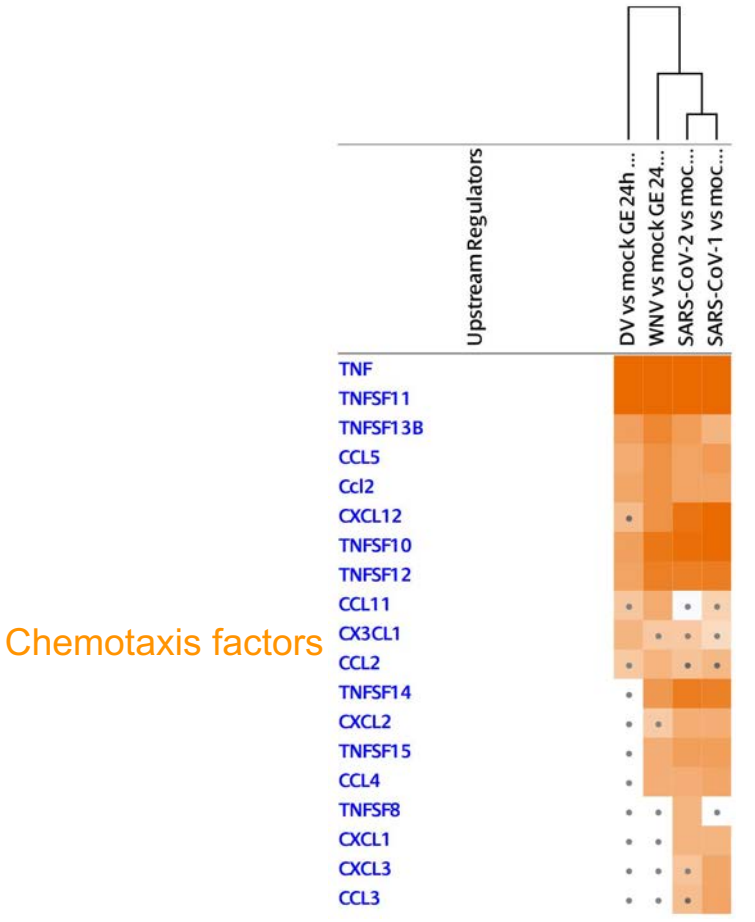
Interferons



Interleukins



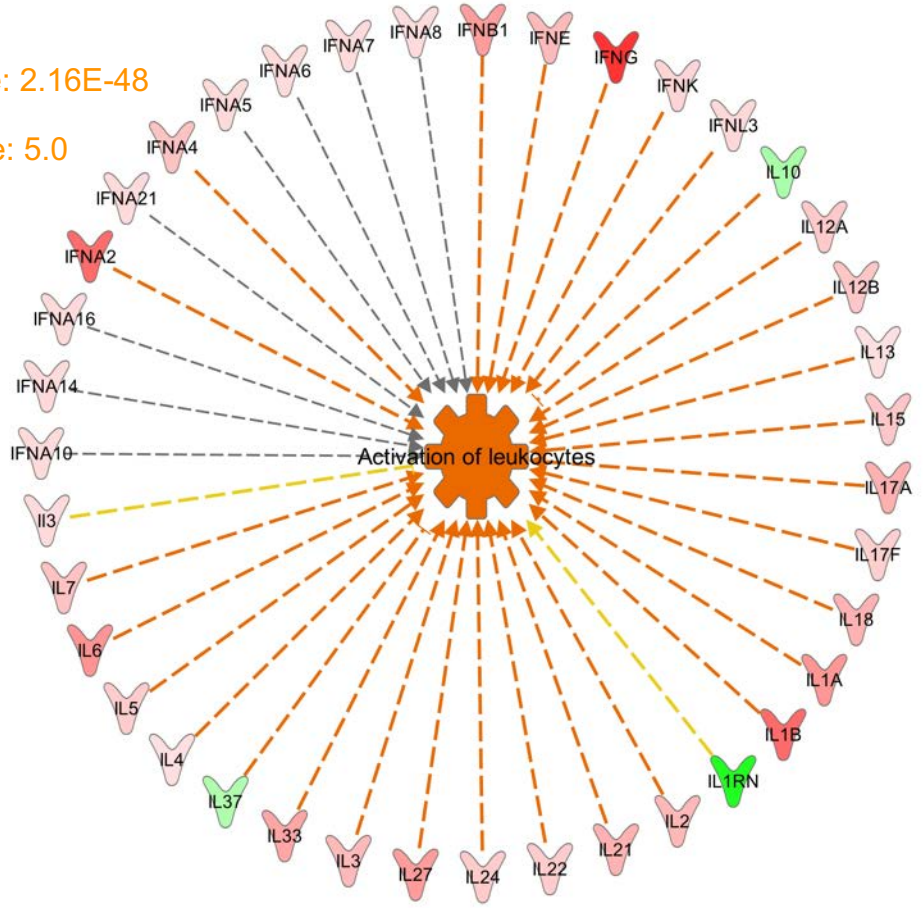
(Chemokines and TNF family)



Biological processes induced 24 h pi when IFN and IL pro-inflammatory are activated (GE)

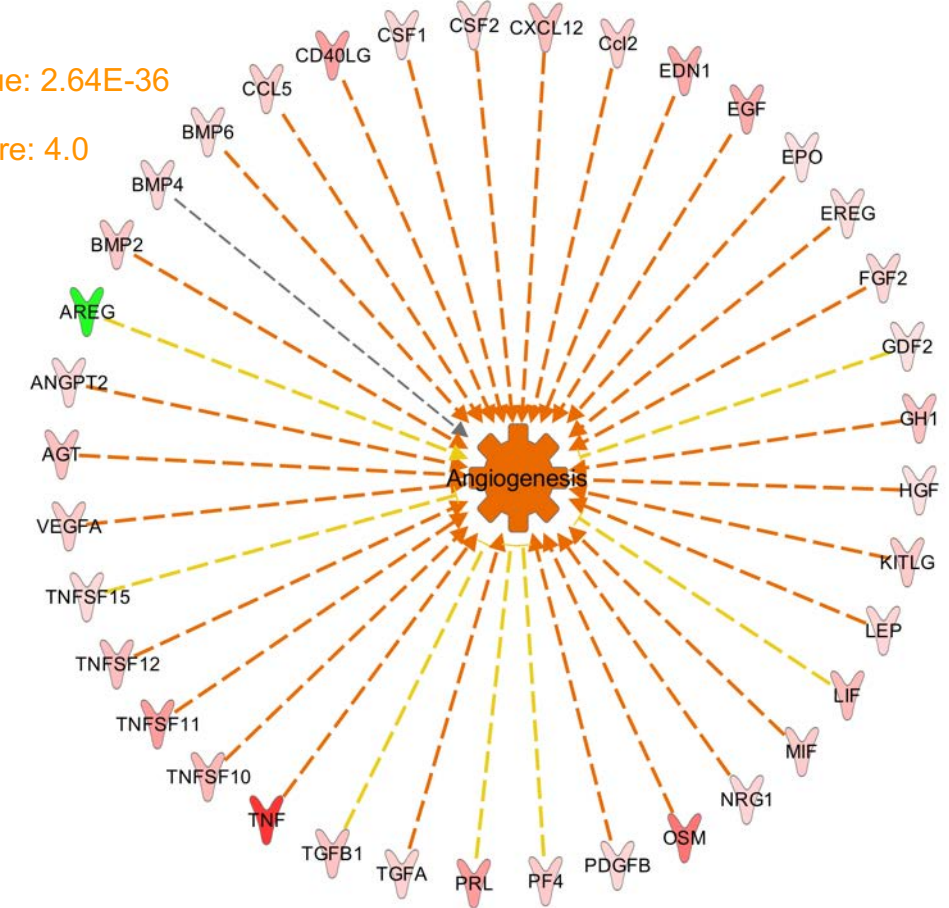
Activation of leukocytes is increased, as well inflammatory response (not shown)

p-value: 2.16E-48
Z-score: 5.0



Angiogenesis is increased in virus-infected cells 24 h pi, as well chemotaxis, cell cycle progression (not shown)

p-value: 2.64E-36
Z-score: 4.0

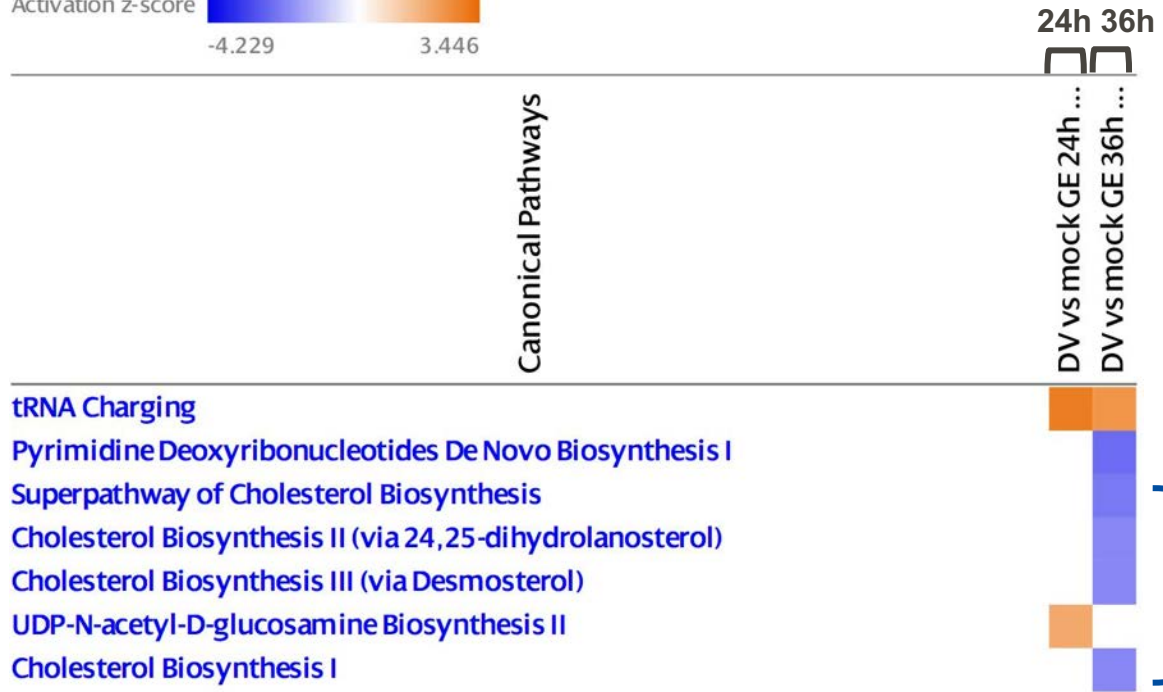


Transcriptomic analyses of time-dependent in vitro infection of A549 cells by Dengue virus

Kinetics of DENV in vitro infection at 36 h pi

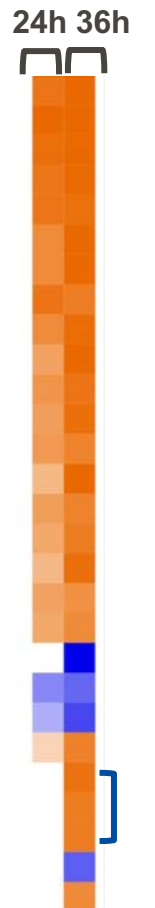
Indicates inhibition of cholesterol biosynthesis and activation of T lymphocytes and myeloid specific pathways

Metabolic pathways



Signaling pathways

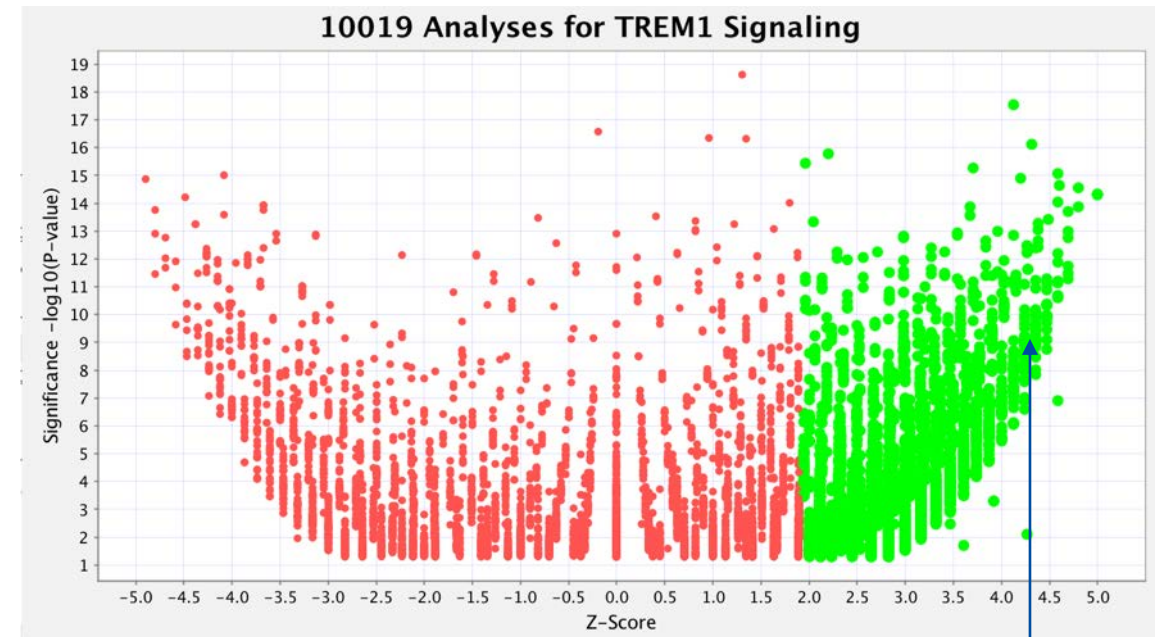
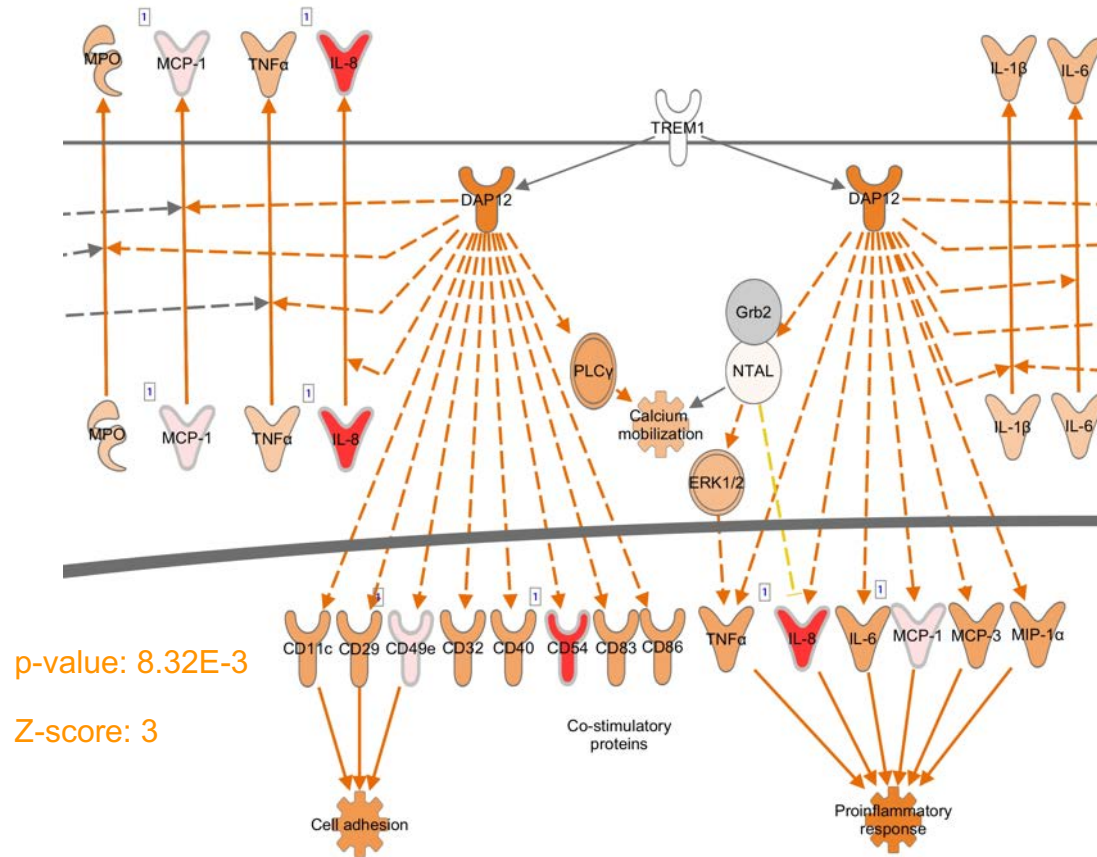
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- Necroptosis Signaling Pathway
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- Tec Kinase Signaling
- Insulin Secretion Signaling Pathway
- PI3K Signaling in B Lymphocytes
- IL-6 Signaling
- HMGB1 Signaling
- iNOS Signaling
- Acute Phase Response Signaling
- B Cell Receptor Signaling
- Role of RIG1-like Receptors in Antiviral Innate Immunity
- ERK5 Signaling
- PI3K/AKT Signaling
- Endoplasmic Reticulum Stress Pathway
- Hypoxia Signaling in the Cardiovascular System
- Cell Cycle Control of Chromosomal Replication
- Cyclins and Cell Cycle Regulation
- Kinetochores Metaphase Signaling Pathway
- NF-κB Activation by Viruses
- PKCθ Signaling in T Lymphocytes
- CD27 Signaling in Lymphocytes
- TREM1 Signaling
- NER Pathway
- Oncostatin M Signaling



TREM1 signaling is predicted to be activated in DENV vs. mock at 36 h pi

Cell adhesion and proinflammatory response are activated

TREM1 signaling activity plot across 12,000 analyses



Case/Control Differences

Key	Case	Control
diseasestate	influenza A	normal control
dosage	87.5 PFU	NA
subjecttreatment	influenza A	vehicle control

Comparison Context

animalstrain C57BL/6

comparisoncategory Treatment vs. Control

comparisoncontrast SubjectTreatment => influenza A vs vehicle control

Evaluation of metadata of TREM1 signaling predicted to be activated

TREM1 is activated during viral infection and IL-1 and TNF treatment, and in neutrophil-driven ANCA vasculitis

Significant metadata in 200 selected analyses (DENV vs mock GE 36h)

Customize Table 191 repository analyses selected p-value 1.38E-16 - 3.84E-02 (p1 of 2)

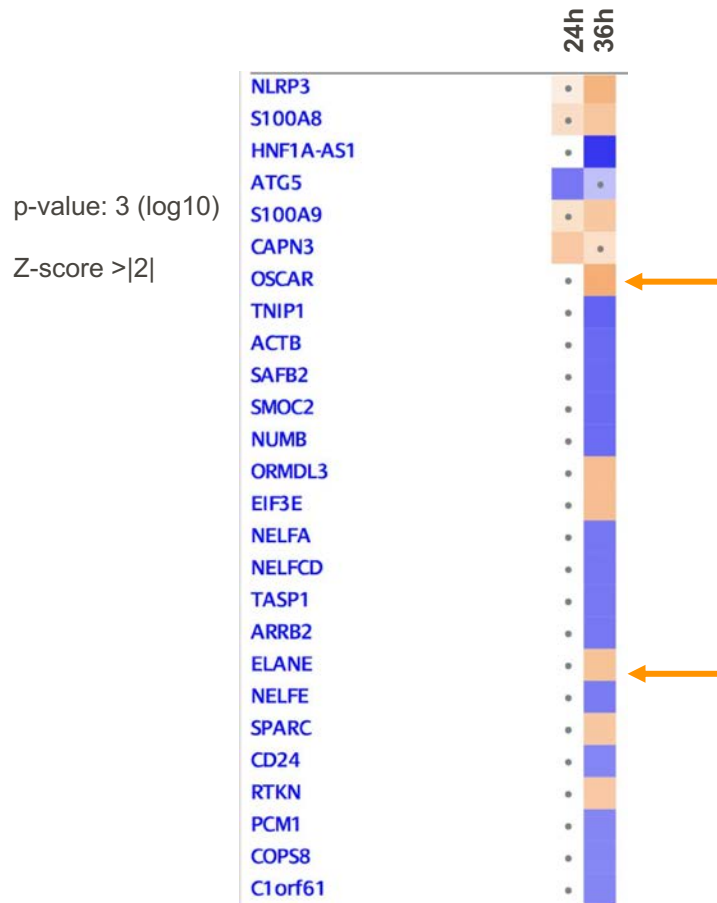
Metadata field	Significant term	p-value	Selected analys...	Total analyses ...	Selected analys...	Total analyses ...
case.diseasestate	influenza A	1.38E-16	19	433	191	62813
case.dosage	1 x 10 ⁵ EID50	1.15E-13	5	6	71	38206
case.genotype	Tg(Thy1-hAPP K670N/M67...	3.11E-11	7	21	45	6974
case.diseasestate	crohn's disease (CD)	5.27E-11	13	339	191	62813
case.celltype	iPSC-derived astrocyte	9.21E-11	6	40	71	40007
case.dosage	10 ng/ml IL-1 beta;10 ng/ml...	3.82E-10	4	7	71	38206
case.treatment	IL-1 beta;TNF alpha	5.74E-09	4	8	191	62813
case.celltype	exhausted B cell	6.43E-09	4	13	71	40007
case.diseasestate	Alzheimer's disease (AD)	1.56E-08	12	446	191	62813
case.diseasestate	ANCA-associated vasculitis	1.71E-08	4	10	191	62813
case.tissue	kidney glomeruli	3.62E-08	8	159	191	62800
case.celltype	non-classical monocyte	4.32E-08	4	20	71	40007
case.dosage	10 ⁴ EID50	2.17E-07	4	28	71	38206
case.tissue	colon descendens	2.45E-07	4	18	191	62800
case.subjecttreatment	SubjectInfection_influenza A	9.67E-07	11	241	69	9636
case.diseasestate	rapidly progressive glomer...	1.53E-06	3	8	191	62813
case.cellmarkers	DUMP-CD45+CD19+CD27...	1.60E-06	4	13	33	4525
case.tissue	hippocampus	2.93E-06	11	605	191	62800
case.tissue	neocortex	3.35E-06	5	74	191	62800

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Comparison of Upstream Regulators of DENV vs. mock at 24 h or 36 h pi

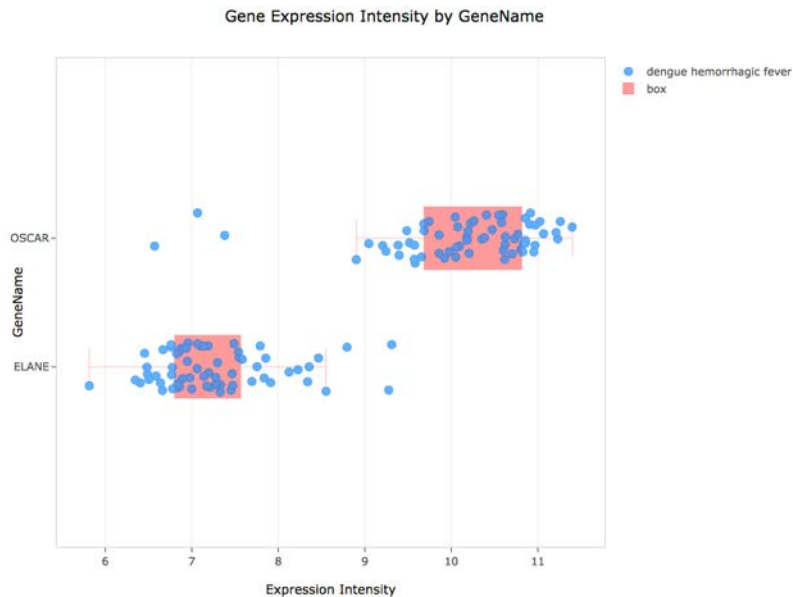
Upstream Regulator: Other and peptidase

ELANE and OSCAR are predicted to be activated at 36 h pi



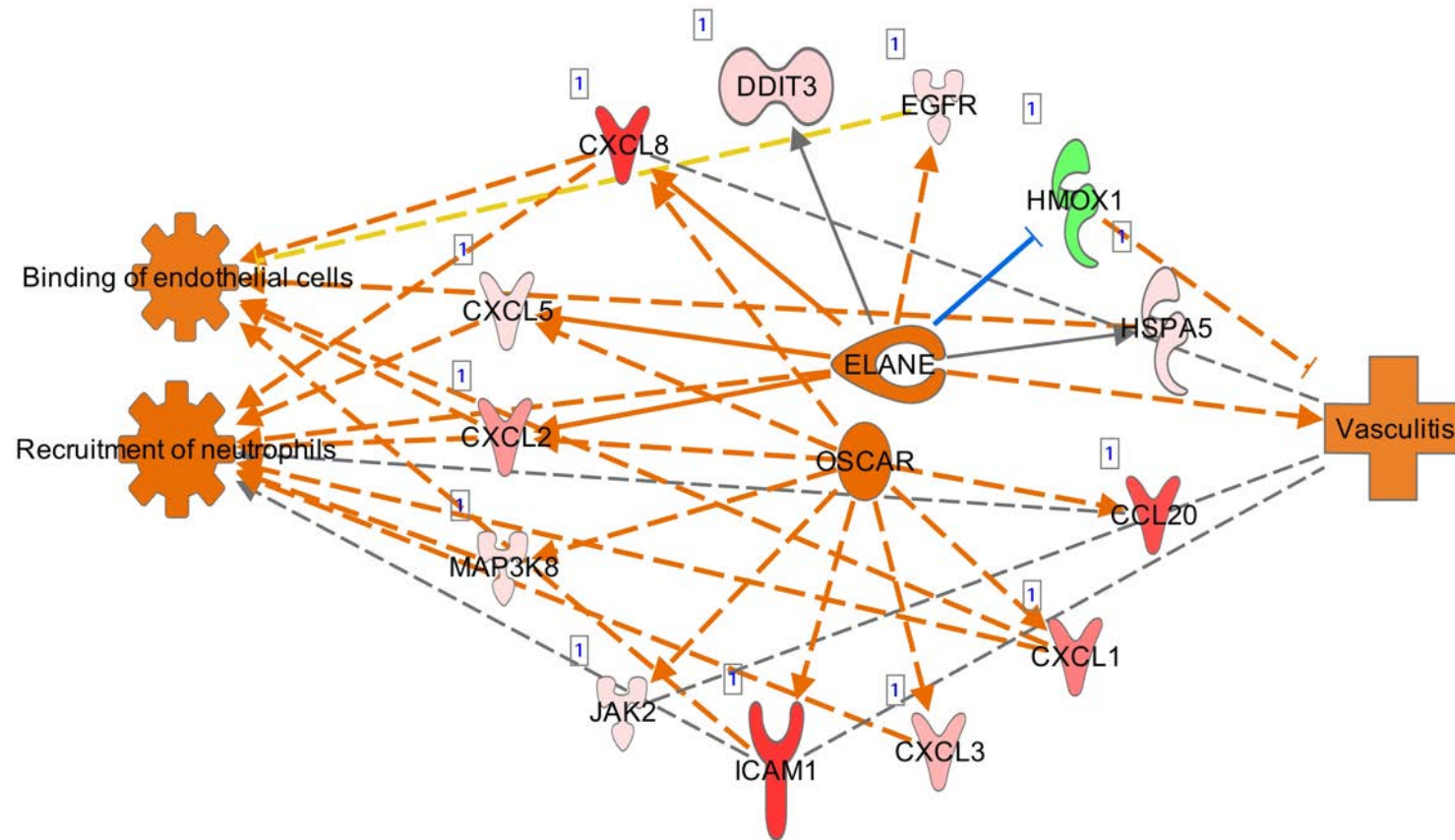
Upstream ...	Molecul...	Predicted A...	Activation z...	p-va...	Target Molecules in D...
ELANE	peptidase	Activated	2.209	4.09E-05	↑CXCL2, ↑CXCL5, ↑CXCL8, ...all 7
OSCAR	other	Activated	2.646	6.20E-05	↑CXCL1, ↑CXCL2, ↑CXCL3, ...all 7

ELANE and OSCAR are highly expressed in Dengue Hemorrhagic fever, Human Disease B37



ELANE and OSCAR are upstream regulators predicted to be activated in DENV at 36 h pi

ELANE and OSCAR are increasing chemotaxis of neutrophil, binding of endothelial cells and vasculitis



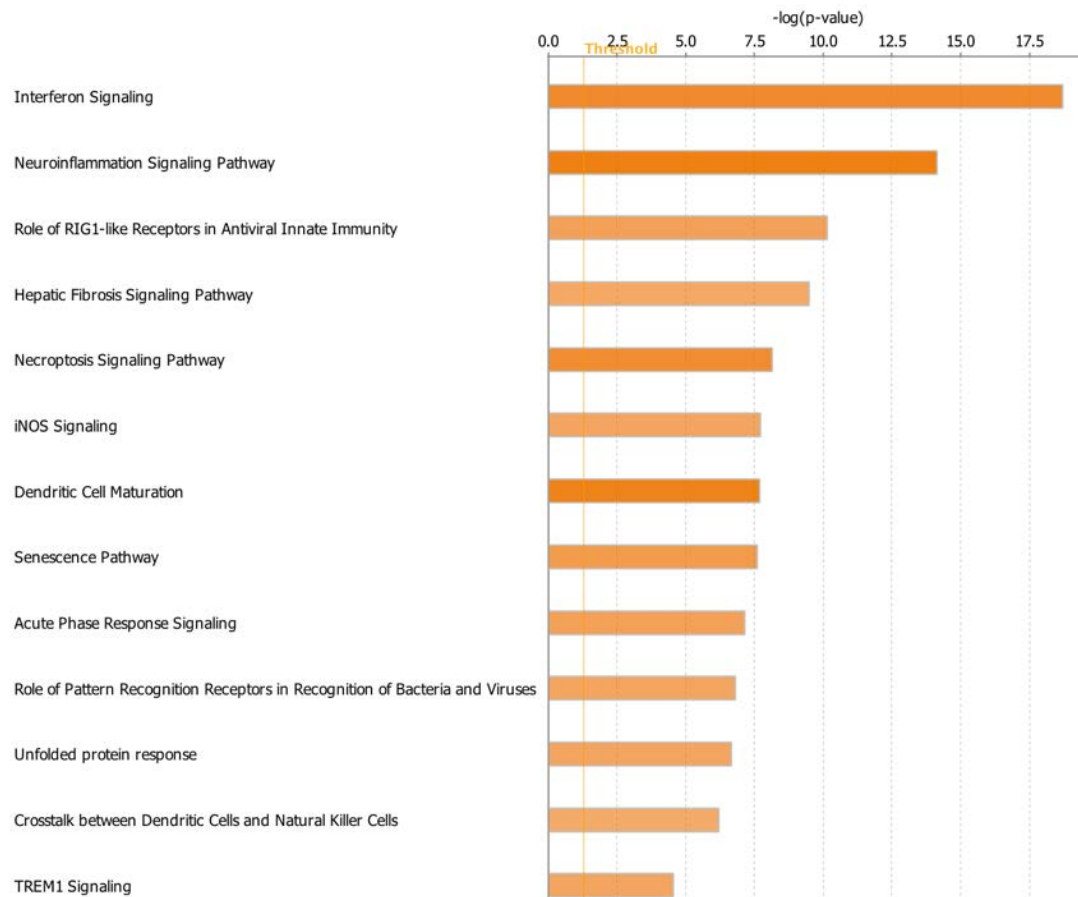
- Neutrophils may have a detrimental role in DENV infection via NET formation, by increasing vascular damages
- ELANE is involved in NET formation and antimicrobial response
- ELANE and OSCAR may contribute to amplify vascular permeability seen in DENV hemorrhagic fever

Source: Sung, P. S., Huang, T. F. and Hsieh, S. L. (2019). Extracellular vesicles from CLEC2-activated platelets enhance dengue virus-induced lethality via CLEC5A/TLR2. *Nature communications*, **10**, 2402.

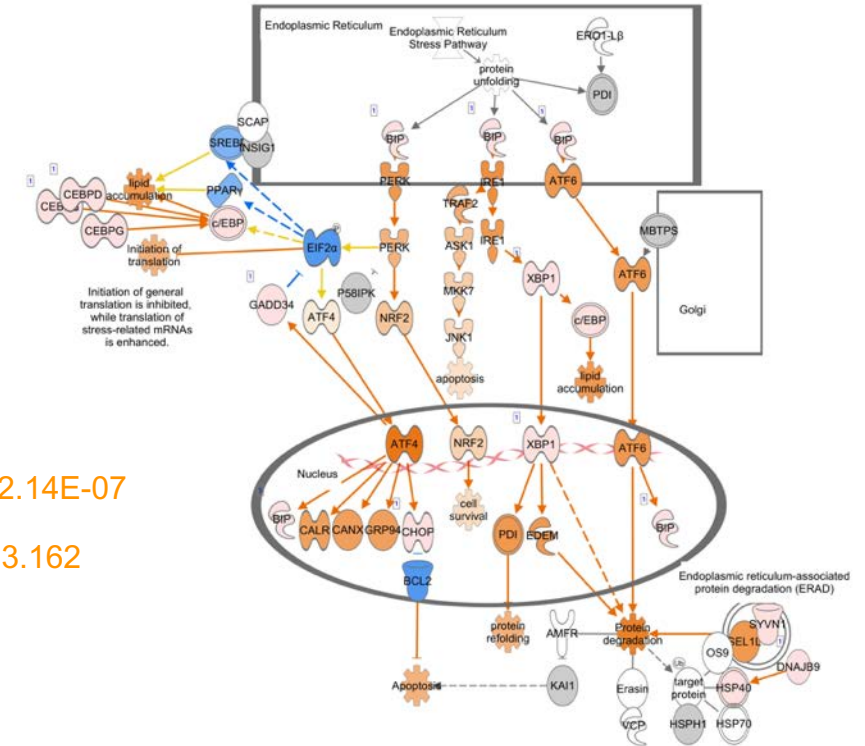
Transcriptomic analyses of in vitro infection of A549 cells by West Nile virus

WNV infection activates immune-related pathways and unfolded protein response 24 h pi

Activated signaling pathways



Unfolded proteins response is activated



p-value: 2.14E-07

Z-score: 3.162

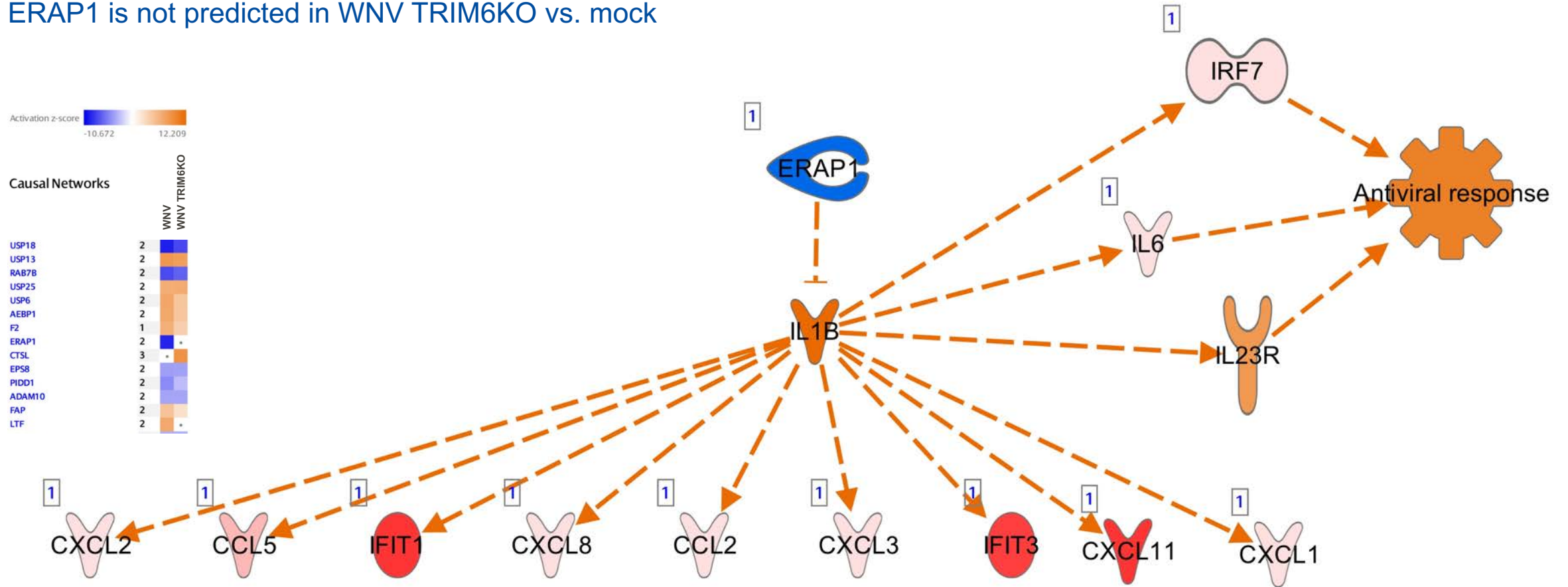
BiP/HSPA5 is upregulated and may play a major role in the UPR during flavivirus infection by promoting protein folding and virion assembly.

Source: Lewy, T. G., Grabowski, J. M., and Bloom, M. E. (2017). BiP: Master regulator of the unfolded protein response and crucial factor in flavivirus biology. *The Yale journal of biology and medicine*, 90, 291–300.

Inhibition of ERAP1 promotes the antiviral response in WNV-infected cells at 24 h pi (GE)

Some major mediators of antiviral response against WNV are shown here

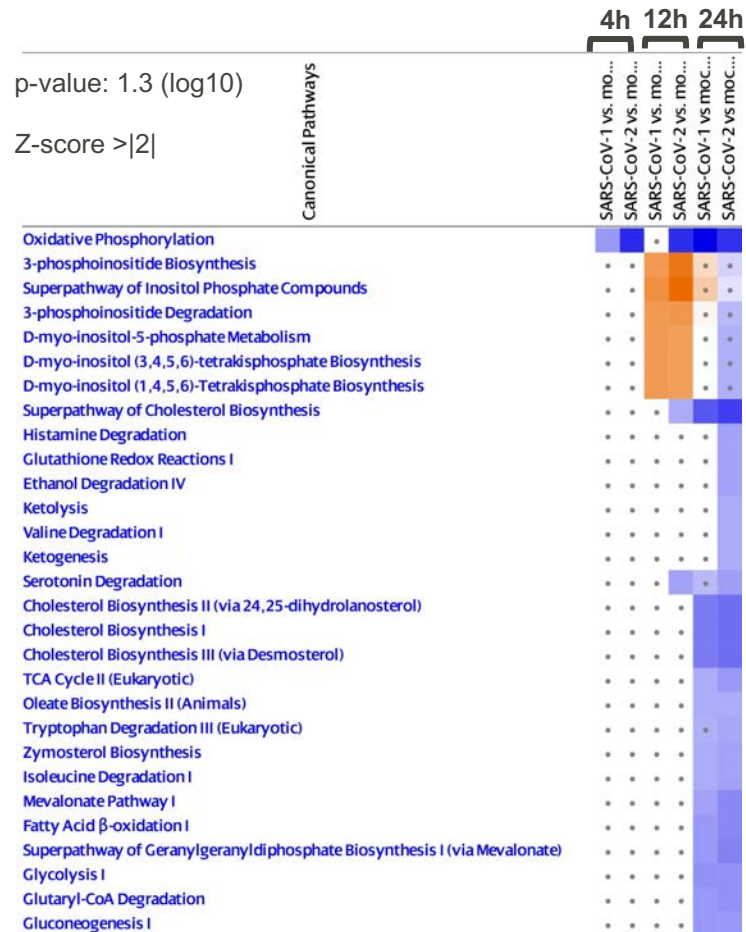
ERAP1 is not predicted in WNV TRIM6KO vs. mock



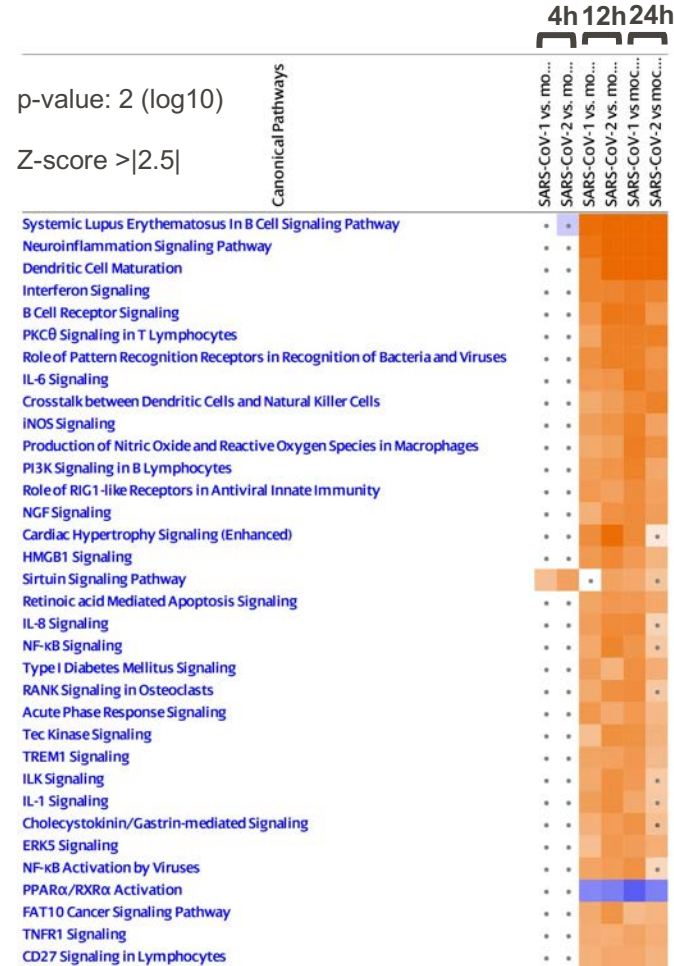
Transcriptomic analyses of SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2 in vitro infection of Calu-3 cells

Transcriptomic analyses of SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2 at 4,12 and 24 h pi (GE)

Metabolic Pathways



Signaling Pathways



Signaling Pathways (continued)



Transcriptomic analyses of SARS-CoV-1 and SARS-CoV-2 at 4,12 and 24 h pi (GE)

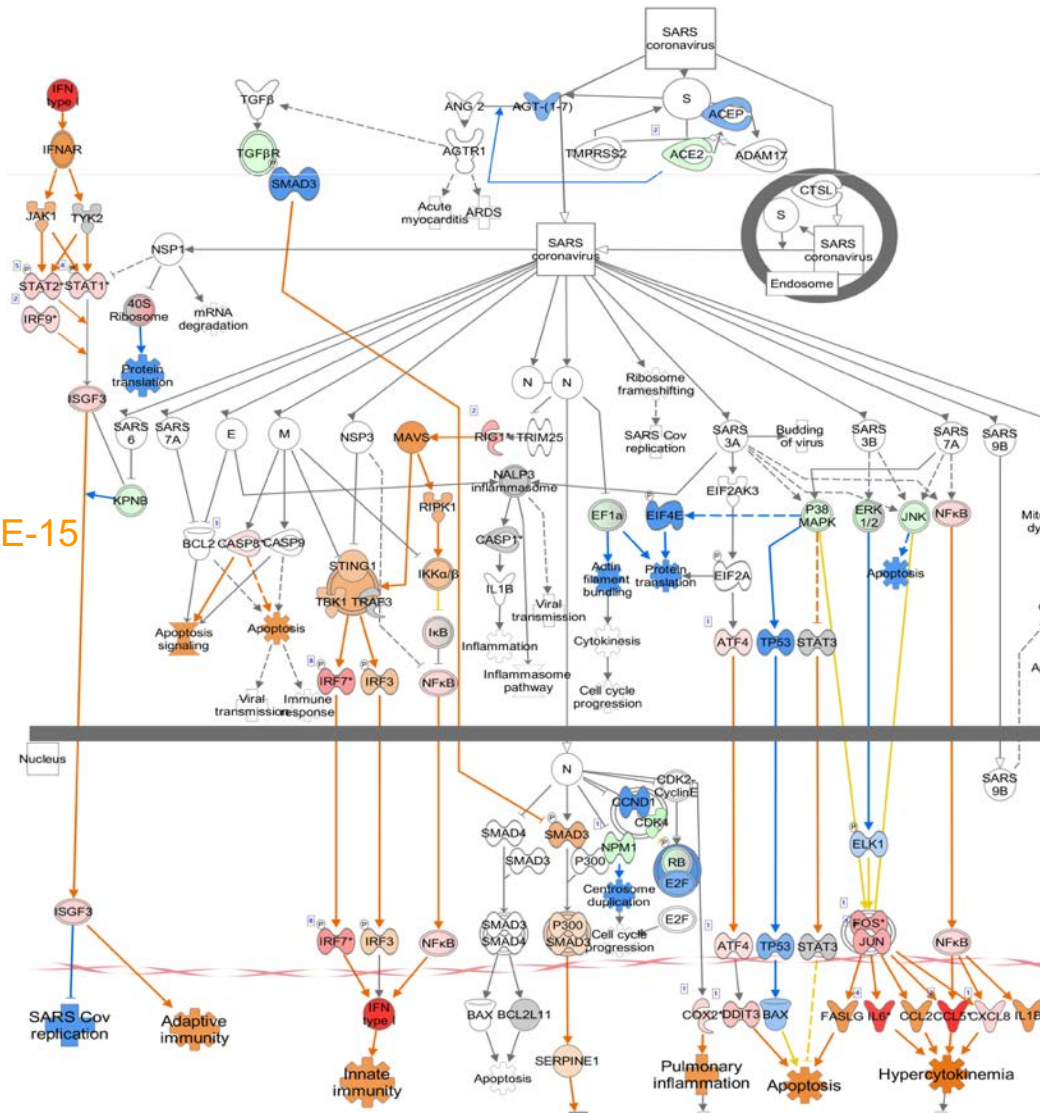
Metabolic Pathways

- Oxidative phosphorylation
- Glucose metabolism
- Cholesterol metabolism
- Fatty acid metabolism
- Alcohol metabolism
- Ketones metabolism
- BCAA degradation
- Production of ATP, NADH

Signaling Pathways

- Innate immune responses triggered
- DC, B, T, NK cells engaged
- Interferon response increased
- TH1, TH17 induced
- Pro-inflammatory signaling
- UPR activated

Signaling Pathways (continued)



p-value: 1.78E-15

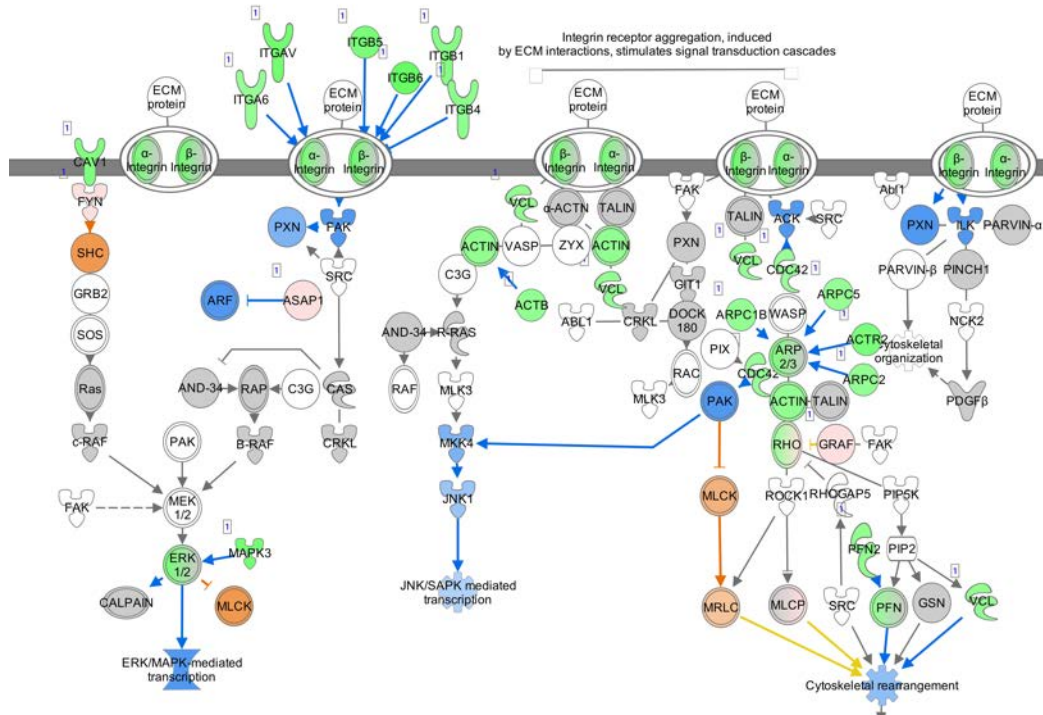
Z-score: 2.7

Coronavirus pathogenesis pathway is activated

SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock 24 h pi (TE)

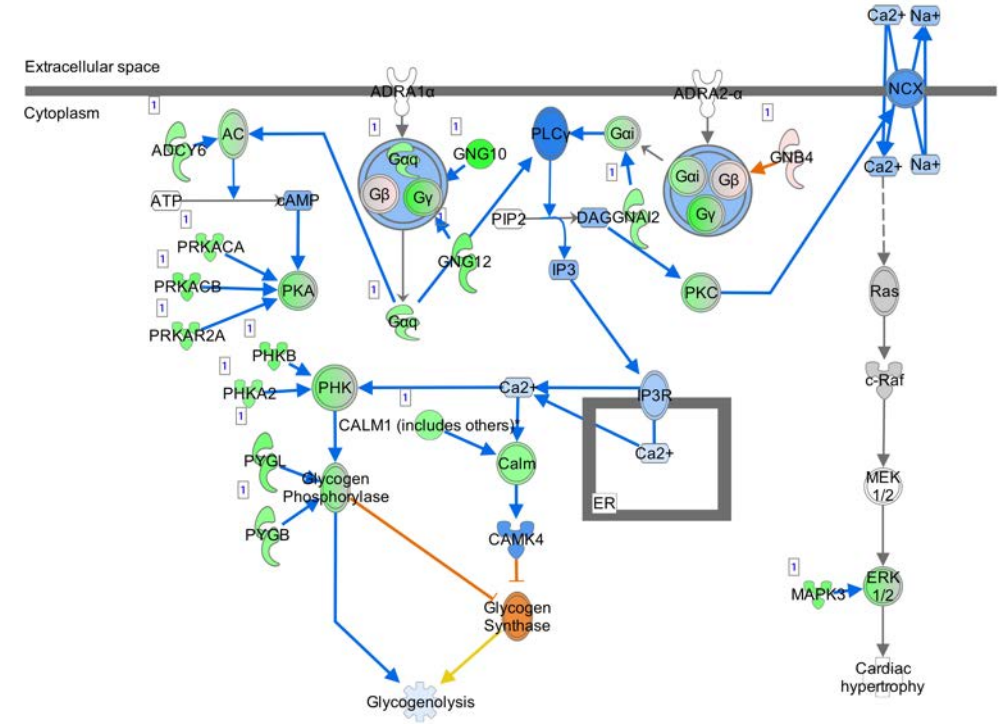
Integrin and α -adrenergic signaling are significantly inhibited in SARS-CoV-2 infection

Integrin signaling is inhibited at 24 h pi (GE)



- SARS-CoV-2 S protein is hypothesized to bind via its RGD/KGD sequence to integrin (e.g., $\alpha5\beta1$); this sequence may facilitate the binding
- Integrin and integrin receptors may be down-regulated after binding (as seen for others viruses)

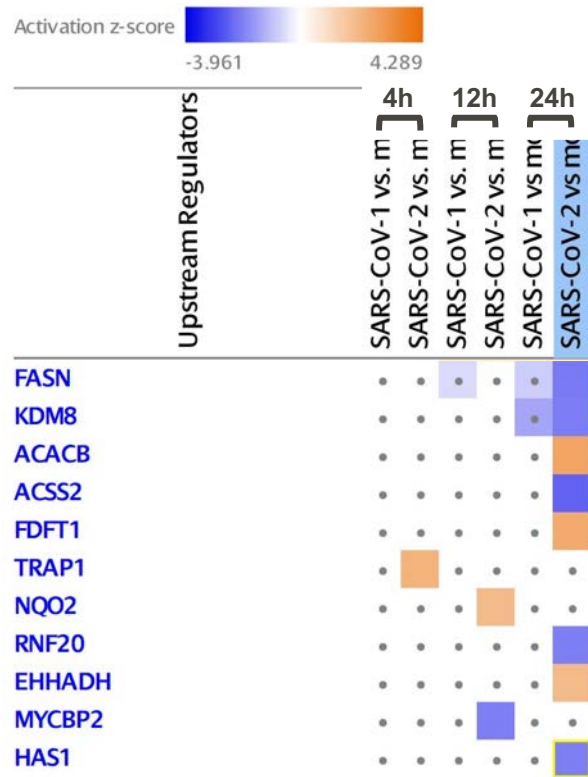
α -adrenergic signaling is inhibited at 24 h pi (GE)



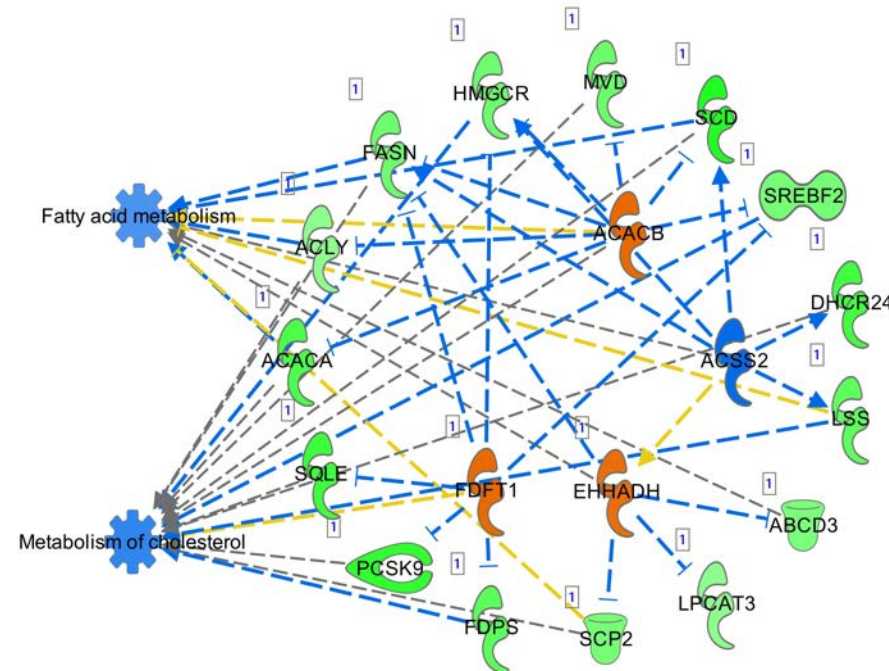
- COVID-19 induces cardiovascular consequences (myocardial injury, myocarditis, stroke, arrhythmias, heart failure, cardiogenic shock, etc.) and the deregulation of this pathway may play a role

SARS-CoV-2 decreases fatty acid and cholesterol metabolism significantly at 24 h pi

Heatmap of Upstream Regulator Analysis (enzyme, GE)



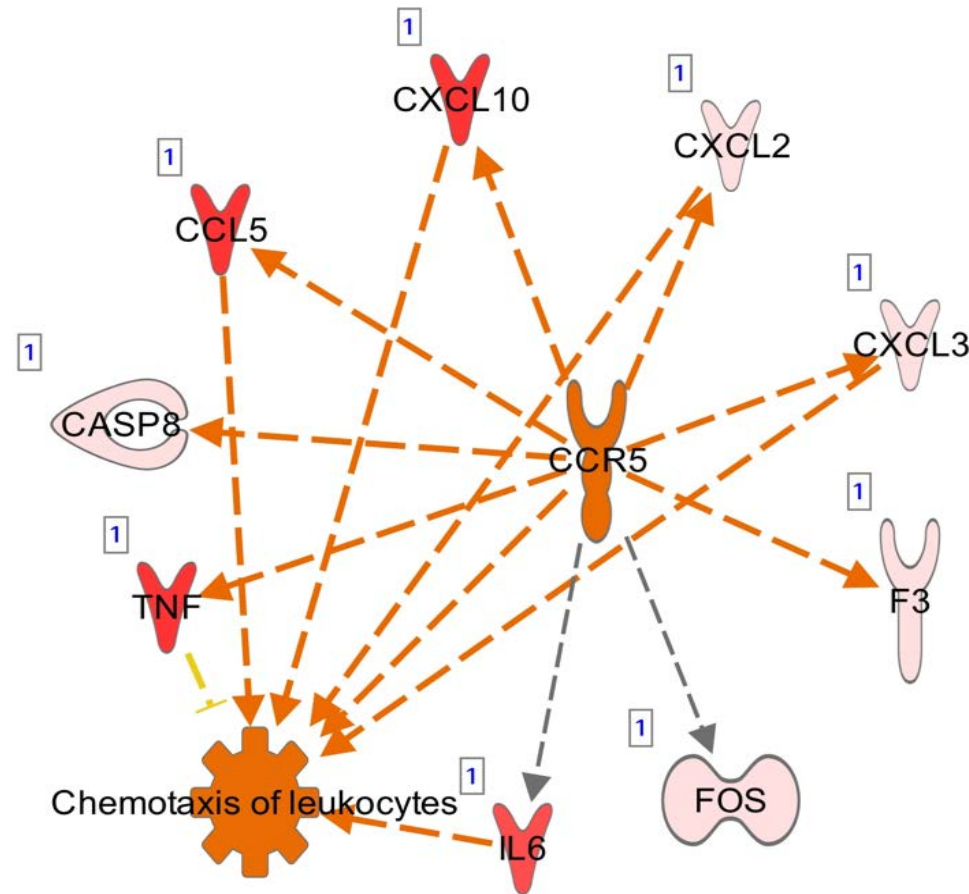
Upstream ...	Expr Fold ...	Molecule T...	Predicted ...	Activation ...	p-value...	Target Molecules in ...
ACACB		enzyme	Activated	2.619	1.77E-04	↓ACACA, ↓ACLY, ↓FASN, ...all 7
FDFT1	↓-2.593	enzyme	Activated	2.433	4.12E-03	↓FASN, ↓FDPS, ↓HMGCR, ...all 6
ACSS2	↓-1.944	enzyme	Inhibited	-2.449	1.21E-02	↓DHCR24, ↓EHHADH, ↓F... all 6
EHHADH	↓-1.729	enzyme	Activated	2.000	4.21E-02	↓ABCD3, ↓FASN, ↓LPCAT, ...all 4



CCR5 is activated allowing chemotaxis of leukocytes

Upstream Regulator Analysis, cytokines, SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock, 24 h pi GE (as soon as 12 h pi)

p-value: 8.90E-3
Z-score: 2.6



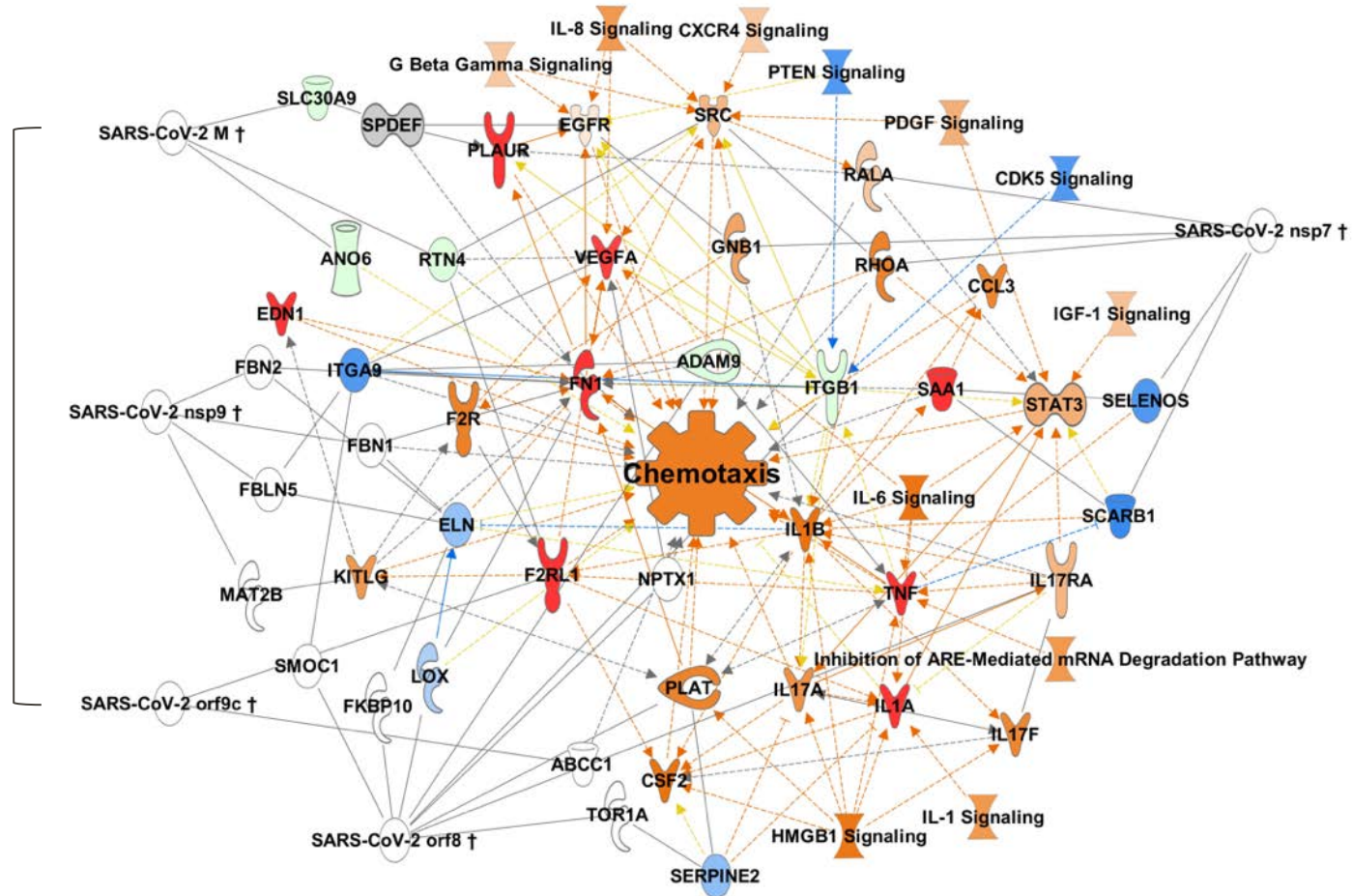
CCR5 may be a potential therapeutic target against SARS-CoV-2 infection

Chua, R.L. et al. (2020) COVID-19 severity correlates with airway epithelium-immune cell interactions identified by single-cell analysis Nat. Biotechnol. [published online ahead of print].

Coronavirus Network Explorer: Chemotaxis

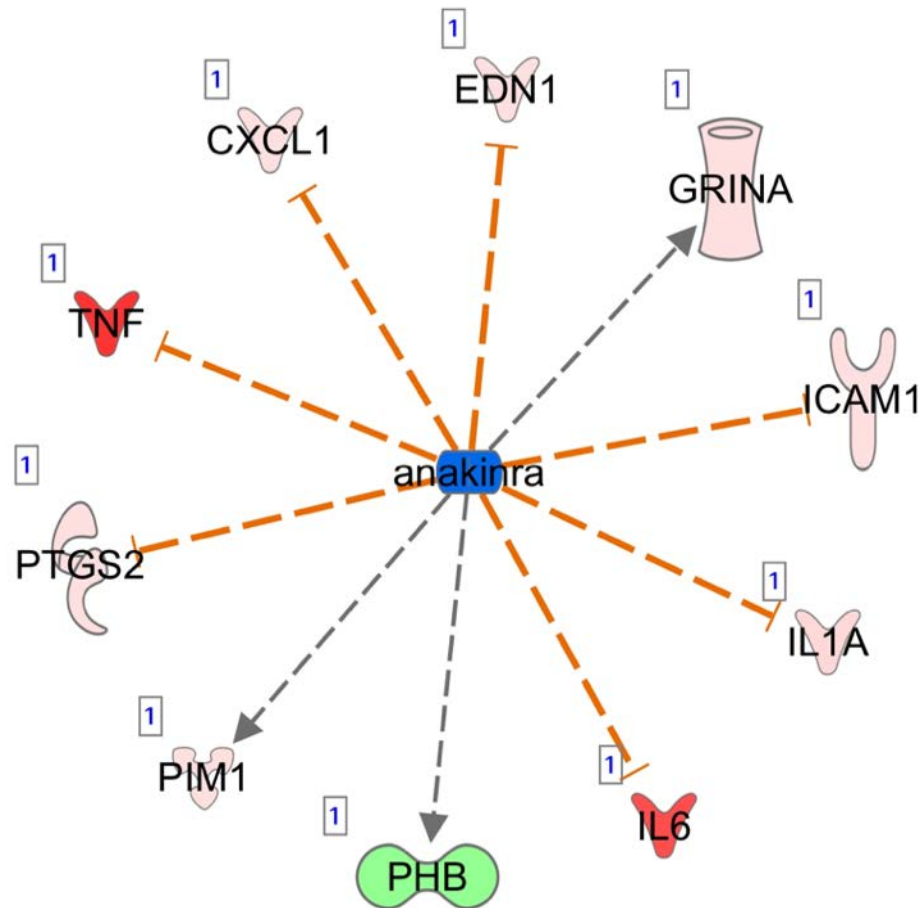
SARS-CoV-2 induces a strong chemotaxis in COVID-19 patients (24 h pi, GE)

SARS-CoV-2 viral proteins



Anakinra could be used to decrease SARS-CoV-2 infection (24 h pi, GE)

Upstream Regulator Analysis predicted that Anakinra (anti-IL1R1) is “inhibited”



A phase III clinical trial is underway investigating whether blocking IL-1 activity improves the outcome of COVID-19 patients with cytokine release syndrome

Sources:

- Calabrese, L.H. (2020) Cytokine storm and the prospects for immunotherapy with COVID-19. *Cleve Clin. J. Med.* 87, 389–393.
- Treatment of COVID-19 Patients With Anti-interleukin Drugs (COV-AID), NCT04330638, phase 3, recruiting.

Upregulated transcript variants linked to acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS)

IsoProfiler for SARS-CoV-1 vs. mock and SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock (TE) at 24 h pi

Gene	Molecule Type	Gene-level Disease or Function	Expression Patterns	Ma...
CXCL8	cytokine	Accumulation of neutrophils, Accumulation of phosphatidylinositol, Acne, Acne vul.....all 451	1 2 GTEx 4 2 1	↑3.564 ↑4.225
H2AC6	other	Rheumatoid arthritis, Severe acute respiratory syndrome	1 2 GTEx 2 1 2	↑42.718 ↑46.057
ICAM1	transmembrane receptor	Abnormal crawling of neutrophils, Abnormal function of eye, Abnormal function of.....all 317	1 2 GTEx 2 --1 1	↑3.820
IL6	cytokine	AA amyloidosis of liver, AA amyloidosis of spleen, Abnormal emotional behavior,.....all 1215	1 2 GTEx 9 --2 2-3 5	↑36.154 ↑122.409
ITGAM	transmembrane receptor	Abnormal crawling of neutrophils, Abnormal function of neutrophils, Abnormal in... ..all 243	1 2 GTEx 7 3 -2 2 3 2-	↑6.440 ↑5.439
MXD1	transcription regulator	Abnormal function of B lymphocytes, Abnormal morphology of myeloid leukocytes,.....all 44	1 2 GTEx 3 1 -3 2 1	↑8.467 ↑8.789
PTGS2	enzyme	Abdominal aortic aneurysm, Abdominal pain, Abnormal aggregation of blood pla... ..all 1041	1 2 GTEx 4 -2--	↑3.549 ↑4.090
TNF	cytokine	Aberration of chromosomes, Abnormal cell cycle, Abnormal function of immuneall 2313	1 2	↑249.265 ↑219.920

Biotype: Protein coding
 Transcript Level: TSL1
 GTEx Enrichment: Lung, whole blood

Gene-level Disease or Function

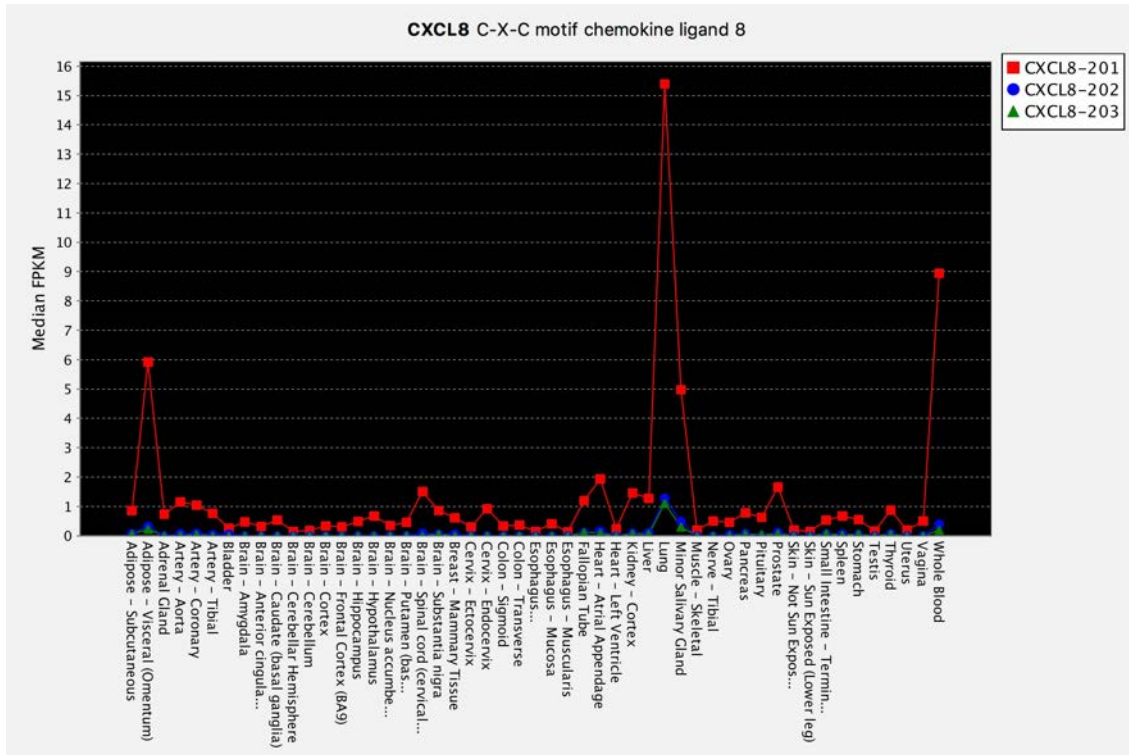
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acute resp

- Acute respiratory distress syndrome
- Acute respiratory failure
- Advanced stage acute respiratory distress syndrome
- Severe acute respiratory syndrome

CXCL8-201 as biomarker for prognosis of acute respiratory distress syndrome

Tissue expression enrichment of CXCL8 transcripts



Schematic of CXCL8 transcripts and Findings

Neutrophil populations is significantly increased in COVID-19 patients with ARDS

CXCL8 is the major neutrophil chemotactic factor in humans

Source: Wilk, A. J. et al. (2020). A single-cell atlas of the peripheral immune response in patients with severe COVID-19. Nature medicine, 26(7), 1070–1076.

Transc...	Protein	Schematic	All...	Tis...	ID	E...	...	Ex...	E...	ID	Ex...	...	Ex...	Ex...
1	CXCL8-201	CXCL8 isoform ...	0.539	4 tissues	EN...	4.19E-11		↑3.564	312.144	ENST...	1.44E-12		↑4.225	318.279
2	CXCL8-2...	CXCL8 isoform ...	0.000	2 tissues				-					-	
3	CXCL8-2...		0.000	1 tissue				-					-	

Human IL8 [CXCL8] protein has been used as a biomarker for prognosis of acute respiratory distress syndrome.

[NCT00673517](#) The Effect of High Frequency Oscillation on Biological Markers of Ventilator Induced Lung Injury (VILI): Nested Translational Biology Sub-Study of the OSCILLATE Pilot Study ClinicalTrials.gov.

Source: GVK Biosciences

Analysis Match combines knowledge with data

ArrayExpress, GEO, TCGA, SRA,
LINCS, etc.



Reprocessed using the
same pipeline

QIAGEN OmicSoft Array Studio

Journal articles and databases such as
Clinical Trials, COSMIC, MGD, OMIM, etc.



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Curation and QA



73,000+ expression comparison datasets

Built from >375,000 samples

QIAGEN Ingenuity Pathway Analysis



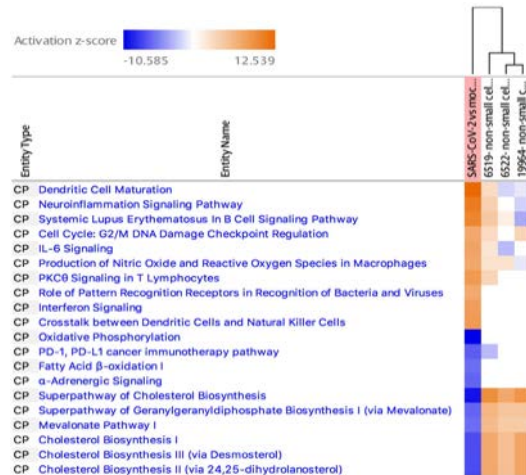
- Biological analyses of each dataset
- Compare your analysis to all QIAGEN OmicSoft analyses

Discovery of a potential inhibitor of SARS-CoV-2 infection using Analysis Match

SARS-CoV-2 vs. mock, 24 h pi, GE, filtering on tissue, CP z-score negative

Expression Analysis - SARS-CoV-2 vs mock (GE) 24h calu3 v2

Analysis Name	Pr...	case.diseasestate	case.tar...	case.tis...	case....	comparisoncontrast	CP (z-score)
19964- non-small cell lung carcinoma [lung] YM201636 11072	LINCS	non-small cell lung carcinoma	PIKfyve	lung	YM201636	Treatment => YM201636 vs DMSO	-54.77
6522- non-small cell lung carcinoma [lung] YM201636 24372	LINCS	non-small cell lung carcinoma	PIKfyve	lung	YM201636	Treatment => YM201636 vs DMSO	-54.77
6519- non-small cell lung carcinoma [lung] YM201636 24368	LINCS	non-small cell lung carcinoma	PIKfyve	lung	YM201636	Treatment => YM201636 vs DMSO	-50.00



PIKfyve (lipid/protein kinase) plays an important role in endocytic mechanism and has been proposed as a potential therapeutic target against SARS-CoV-2 infection

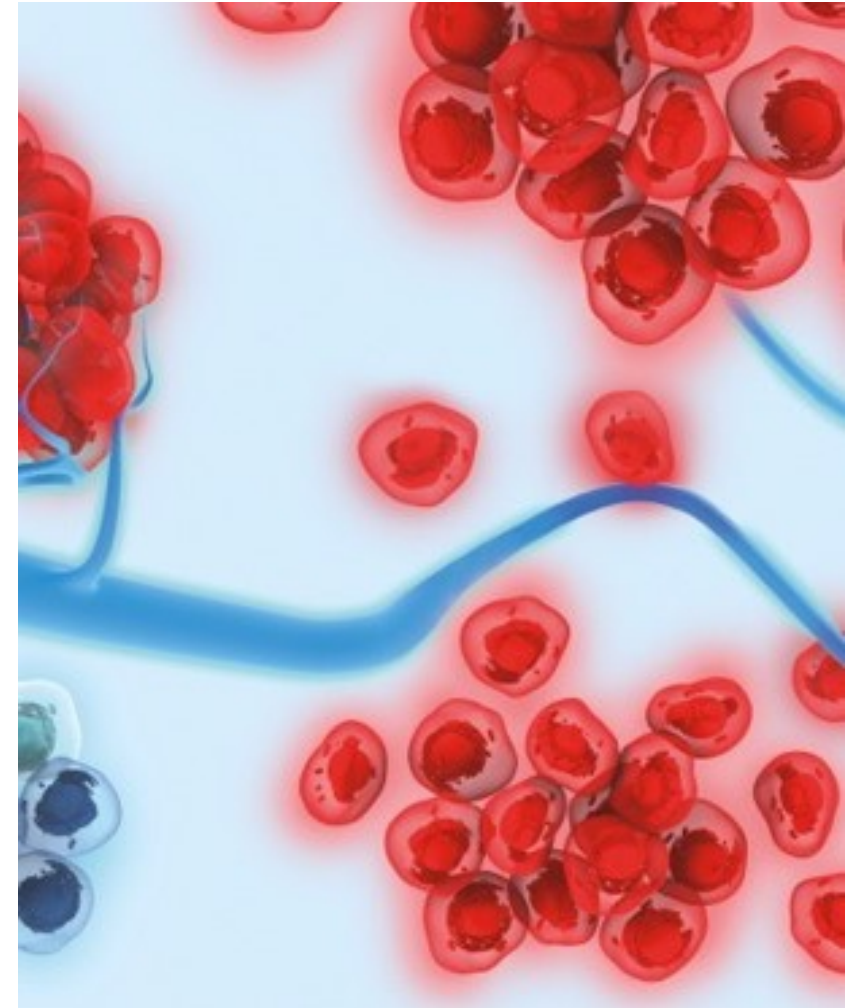
Sources:

- Bouhaddou, M. et al. (2020). The global phosphorylation landscape of SARS-CoV-2 infection. Cell [Advance online publication].
- Ou, X. et al. (2020). Characterization of spike glycoprotein of SARS-CoV-2 on virus entry and its immune cross-reactivity with SARS-CoV. Nature communications, **11**, 1620.

Conclusions

Transcriptomic analyses of in vitro flavivirus- or coronavirus-infected cells

- 1 Antiviral response is similar across the 4 viruses at 24 h post infection
- 2 Potential key upstream regulators and biological processes have been identified in these infections
- 3 Differentially expressed isoforms could be used as biomarker for key pathological endpoints
- 4 Discovery of potential therapeutic targets or compounds to inhibit these infections by comparing to unrelated thousands of datasets



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QIAGEN IPA

- IPA product info: <https://digitalinsights.qiagen.com/products-overview/discovery-insights-portfolio/analysis-and-visualization/qiagen-ipa>
- IPA Analysis Match: <https://tv.qiagenbioinformatics.com/video/37242337/exploring-ipas-analysis-match-an>
- Land Explorer: <https://digitalinsights.qiagen.com/products-overview/discovery-insights-portfolio/content-exploration-and-databases/qiagen-omicsoft-land-explorer/>
- Coronavirus Network Explorer: <https://digitalinsights.qiagen.com/coronavirus-network-explorer/>

QIAGEN OmicSoft:

- Product Info: <https://digitalinsights.qiagen.com/products-overview/discovery-insights-portfolio/qiagen-omicsoft/>

QIAGEN CLC Genomics

- Product info: <https://digitalinsights.qiagen.com/products-overview/analysis-and-visualization/qiagen-clc-genomics-workbench/>

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- [QIAGEN Digital Insights solutions support COVID-19 drug, vaccine and epidemiology research](#)
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