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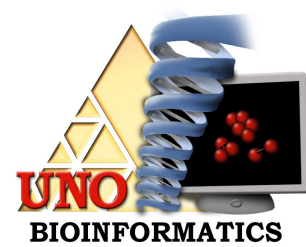
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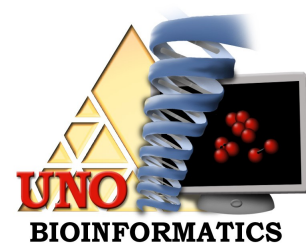
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Biomedical Informatics – Where are we?

- Availability of many large useful database systems; private and public
- Advances in new technologies as high throughput next generation sequencing
- Availability of numerous helpful software tools
- Fragmented, in some case isolated, efforts by computational scientists and bioscientists
- The trendiness of the discipline
- Massive interest from Industry, researchers and the public
- Many advances in Biomedical research

Simple Questions



Where is the cure for cancer?

Why don't we have personalized medicine?

Why is AIDS still misunderstood?

Can effectively be boiled down to:

Why hasn't high-throughput data been effectively harnessed yet?

Plausible Answers

It is not that easy:

- Complexity of the system
- Complexity of the organisms
- Size of the data (“big data”)
- Search space of inter-data relationships
- Heterogeneity of the data
- Lack of integration of data
- Computing power
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Robin Roberts: I will beat MDS Updated Mon June 11, 2012

"Good Morning America's" Robin Roberts is bravely facing a new health battle. The 51-year-old revealed Monday that five years after overcoming breast **cancer**, she's been diagnosed with a rare blood disorder that affects the bone marrow called...

<http://marquee.blogs.cnn.com/2012/06/11/robin-roberts-i-will-beat-mds/>

Comedian Tommy Chong fighting prostate **cancer** Updated Sun June 10, 2012

Tommy Chong, one-half of the marijuana-loving "Cheech and Chong" comedy duo, is battling prostate **cancer**, he announced Saturday on CNN.

<http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/09/showbiz/chong-prostate-cancer/index.html>

What can be done about the deepening polarization in America? Updated Wed June 6, 2012

By CNN's Jack Cafferty: The polarization of America is like a **cancer** that is slowly killing us. And like many forms of **cancer**, there appears to be no **cure**. We are more severely divided now than at any time in the last 25 years according to a new pew...

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Experimental drug offers new way to battle certain breast **cancer** Updated Sun June 3, 2012

Doctors who treat breast **cancer** patients are very excited about an experimental drug that presents a whole new way of knocking out **cancer** cells.

<http://www.cnn.com/2012/06/03/health/breast-cancer-drug/index.html>

Cancer Treatments

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New Hope for Cancer

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Natural Cancer Treatment

www.immunologyfoundation.org/ - New therapy removes TNF inhibitors, unblocking your immune response.

But....

- Her2+ BC
 - 20-25% of breast cancers
 - Normal treatment: Herceptin
 - Eventually stops working if cancer comes back
- T-DM1 Drug
 - Trojan horse drug
 - 3 extra months of improvement
 - Lack of usual side effects

Personalized Medicine

Resource

Personal Omics Profiling Reveals Dynamic Molecular and Medical Phenotypes

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Methods

- 54yr old male volunteer
- Plasma and serum used for testing
- 14 month time course
- Complete medical exams and labs at each meeting (20 time points total)
- Extensive sampling at 2 periods of viral infection:
 - HRV (human rhinovirus) – common cold
 - RSV (respiratory syncytial) - bronchitis

Time-course summary

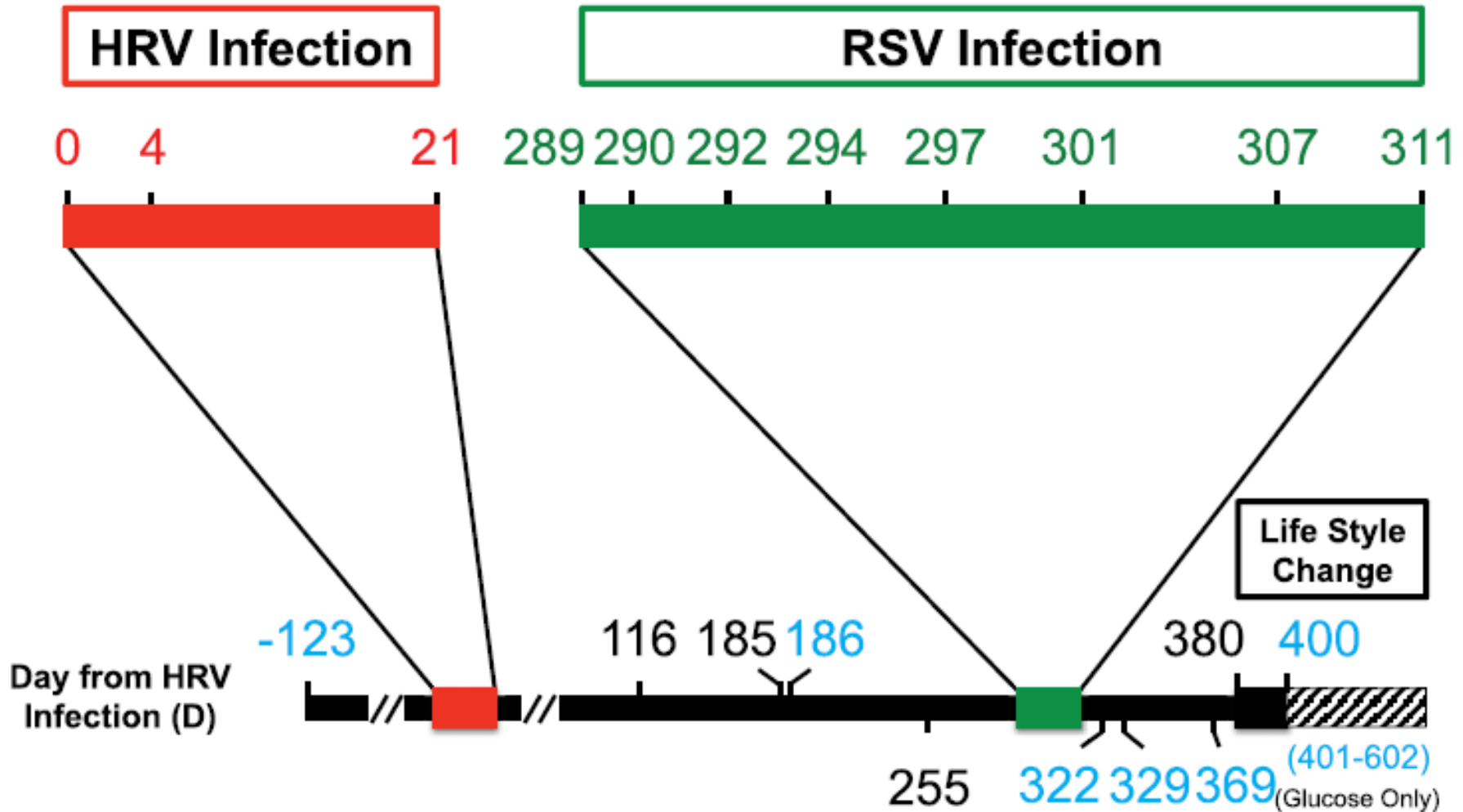
726 days total

HRV - red

RSV - green

Fasting - blue

Lifestyle change: ↑exercise, took ibuprofen daily, ↓sugar intake



Deep Dynamic Omics Analysis

- Transcriptome: RNA-Seq of 20 time points
 - 2.67 billion paired end reads
 - 19,714 isoforms for 12,659 genes tracked
- Proteome: Quantification of 6,280 proteins
 - 14 time points via TMT and LC/MS
- Metabolome: 1,020 metabolites tracked during viral infections
 - miRNA analysis also during HRV infection

Techniques Used

- Summary of techniques used:
 - Sample collection
 - HRV and RSV detection
 - Whole-genome sequencing
 - Whole-exome sequencing
 - Sanger-DNA sequencing
 - Whole-transcriptome sequencing: mRNA-Seq
 - Small RNA sequencing: microRNA-Seq
 - Serum Shotgun Proteome Profiling
 - Serum Metabolome Profiling
 - Serum Cytokine Profiling
 - Autoantibodyome Profiling
 - Telomere Length Assay
 - Genome Phasing
 - Omics Data Analysis



Team Count: 41

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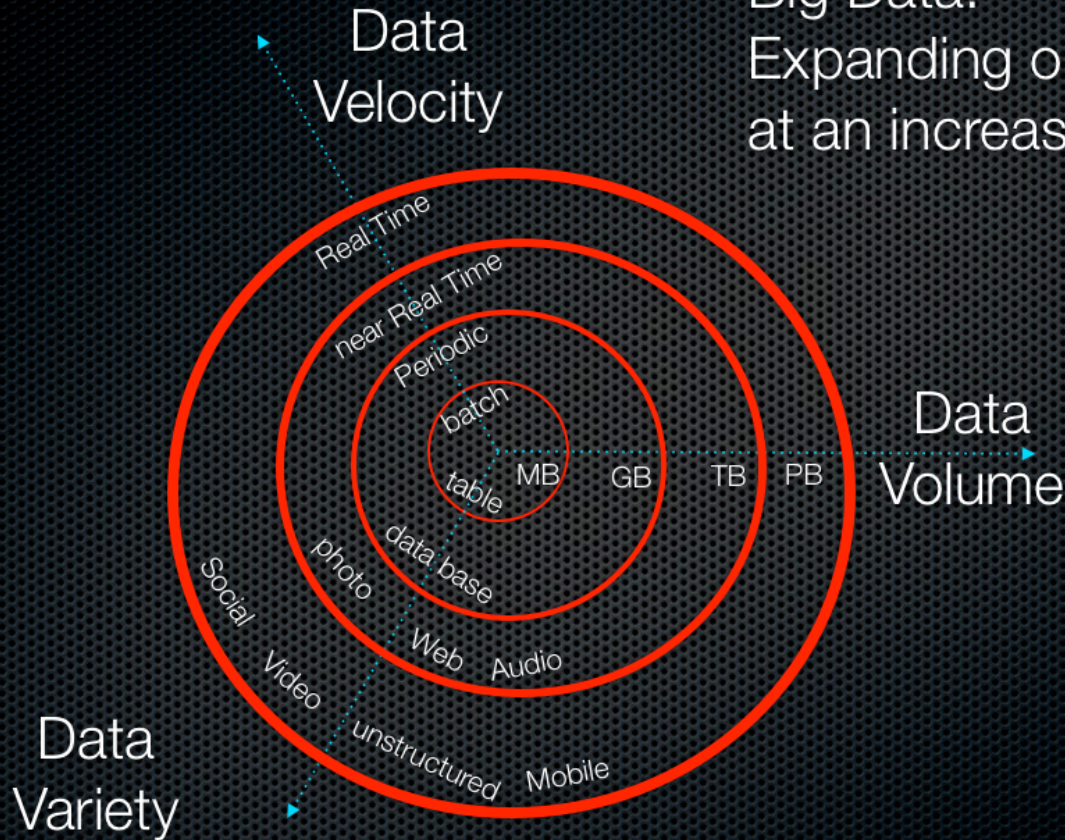
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Data Generation vs. Integration/Analysis

- New technologies lead to new data:
 - Competition to have the latest technology
 - Focus on storage needs to store yet more data
- Bioinformatics community needs to move from a total focus on data generation to a blended focus of measured data generation (to take advantage of new technologies) and data analysis/interpretation/visualization
- How do we leverage data? Integratable? Scalable?
- From Data to Information to Knowledge to Decision making

“Big Data”

Big Data:
Expanding on 3 fronts
at an increasing rate.



Data versus Knowledge

- With high throughput data collection, Biology needs ways not only to store data but also to store knowledge (Smart data)
- Data: Things that are measured
- Information: Processed data
- Knowledge: Processed data plus meaningful relationships between measured entities

Power of graph modeling

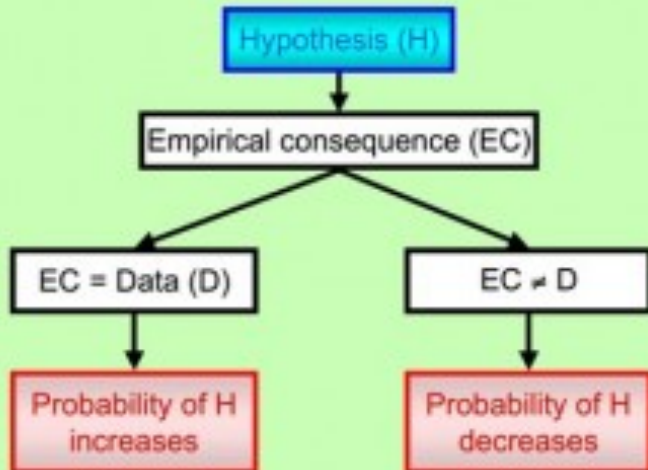
Data-Driven Decisions

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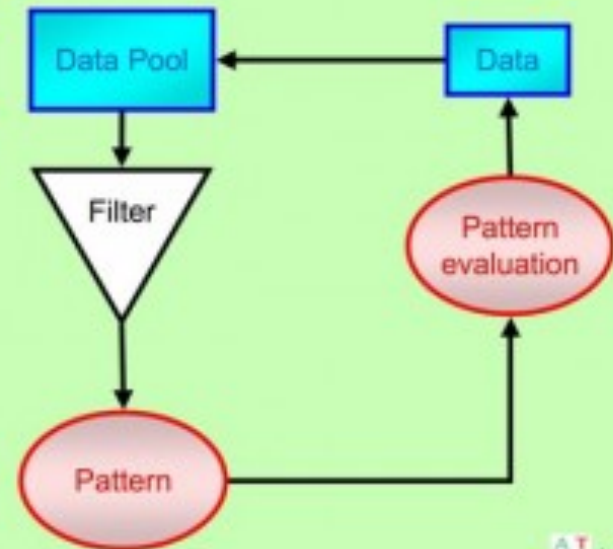
A Potential Major Change

- Data driven research vs. Hypothesis driven research

Hypothesis driven research - Concept



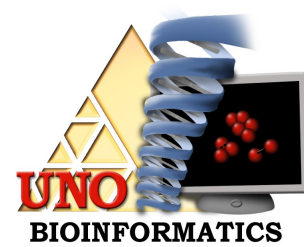
Data driven research -Concept



Systems Biology Approach

- Realistic and Innovative:
 - Networks model relationships, not just elements
 - Discover groups of relationships between genes and gene products
- Validation and Discovery Aspects
 - Examine changes in systems
 - Normal vs. diseased
 - Young vs. old
 - Stage I v. State II v. Stage III v. Stave IV

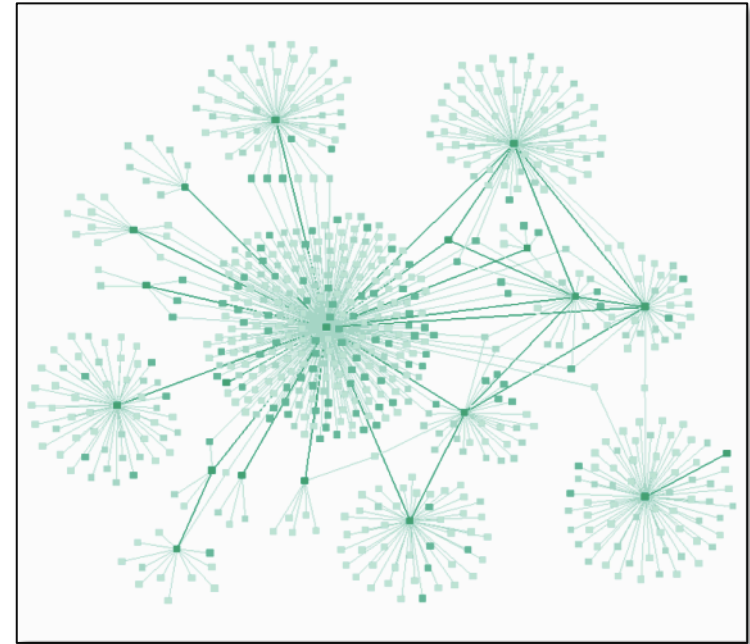
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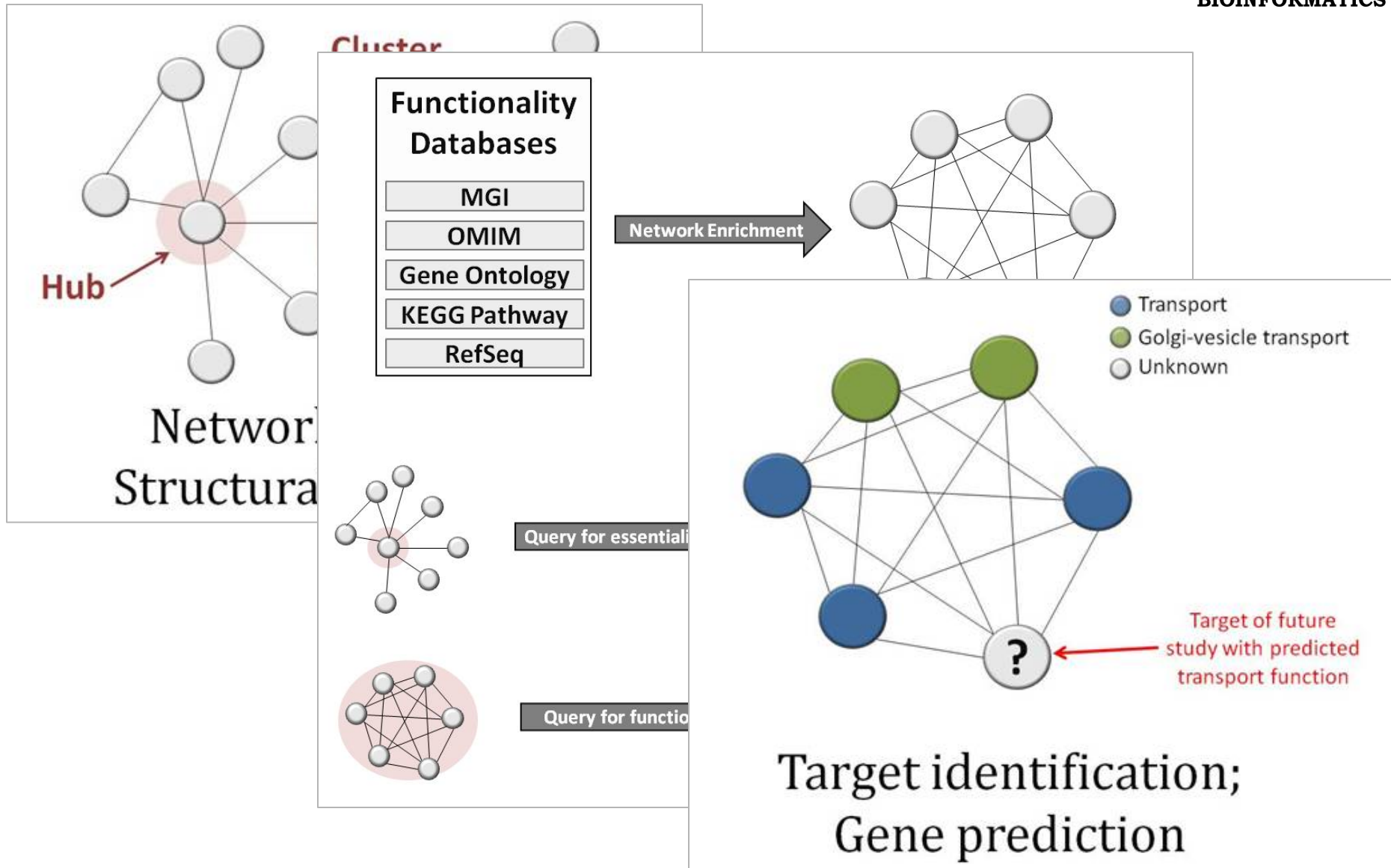
- Holist view of the system
 - Ability to zoom in/out to view critical system components
- Past: Reductionist biology
 - Find a gene/protein of interest
 - Examine under different conditions
- Systems biology: examine an entire system at different conditions

Biological Networks

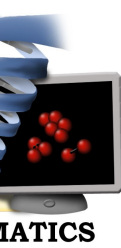
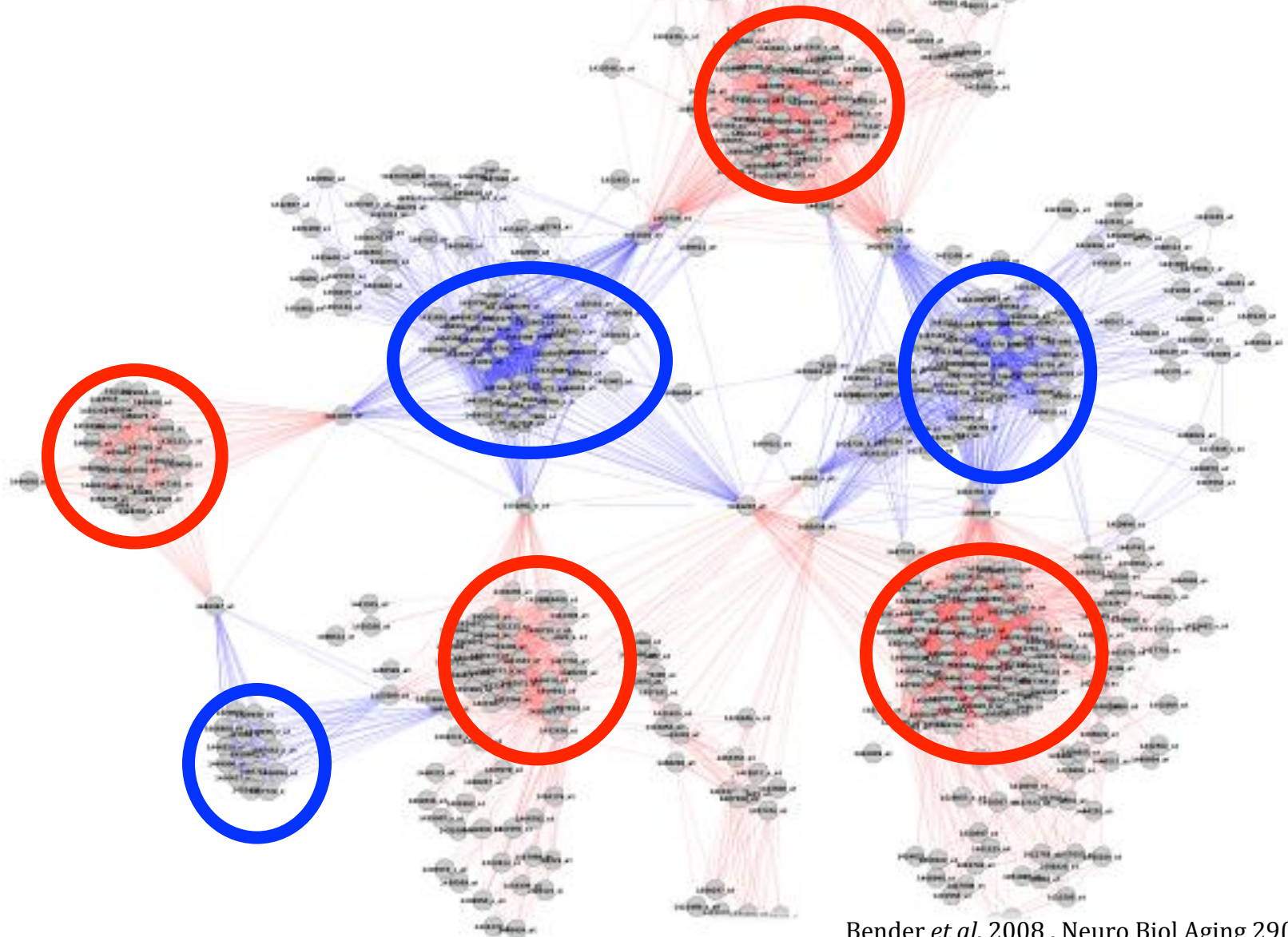
- A biological network represents elements and their interactions
- Nodes → elements
- Edges → interactions
- Can represent multiple types of elements and interactions



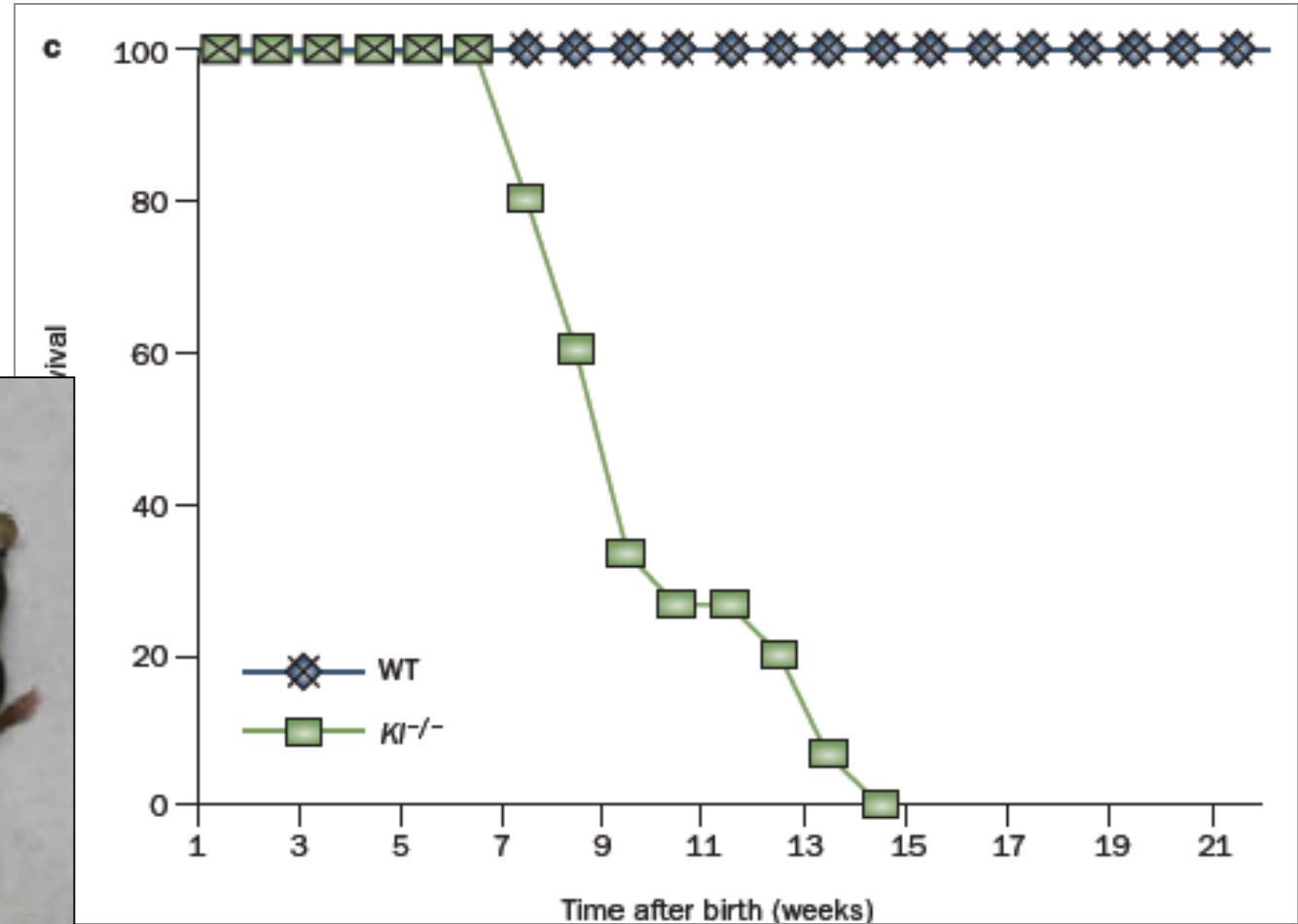
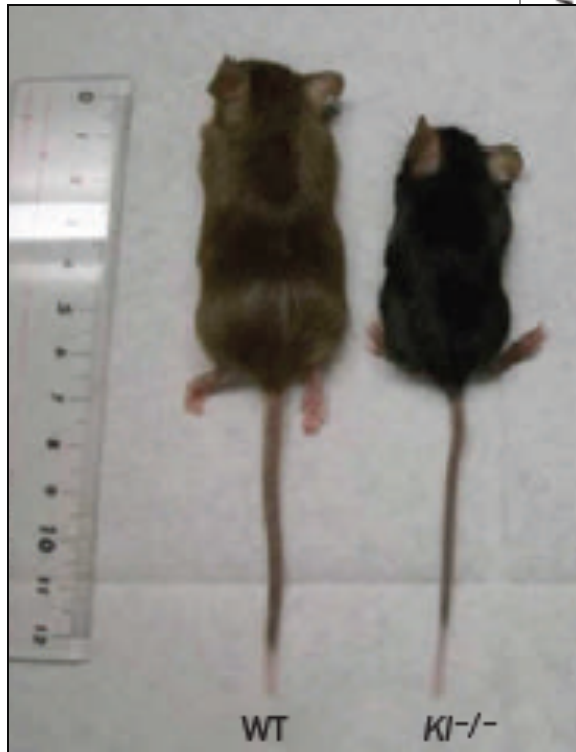
Integrated Data Model



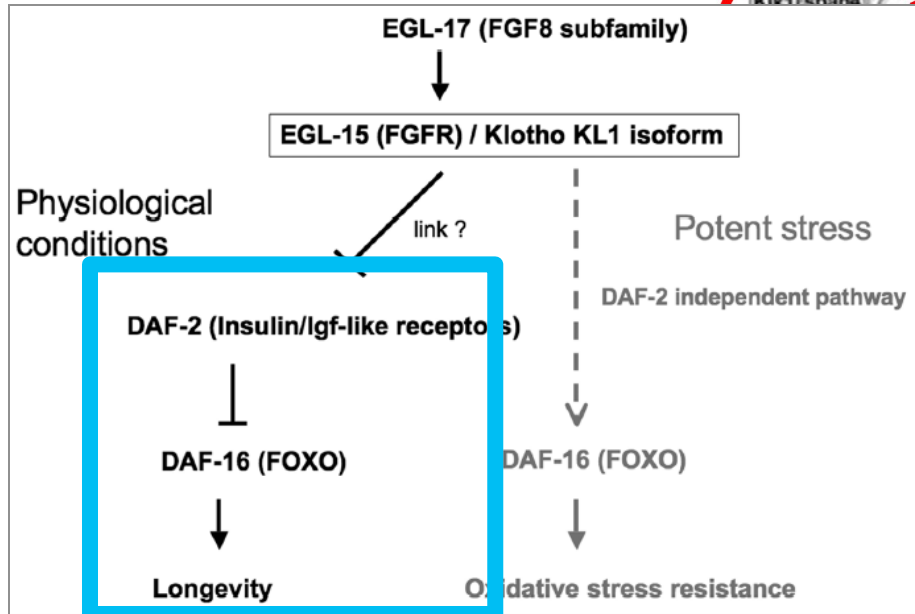
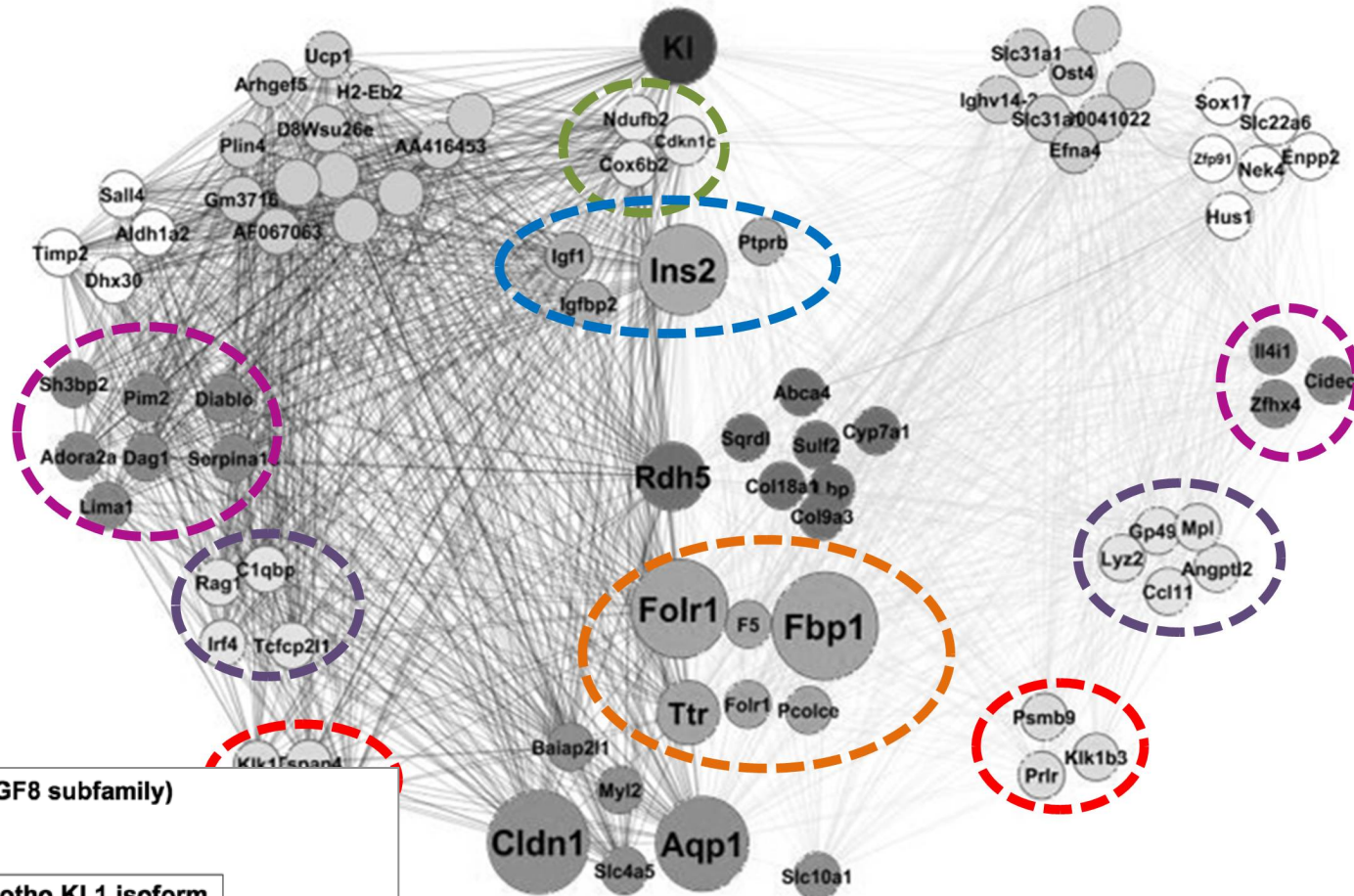
Control
Treated mice



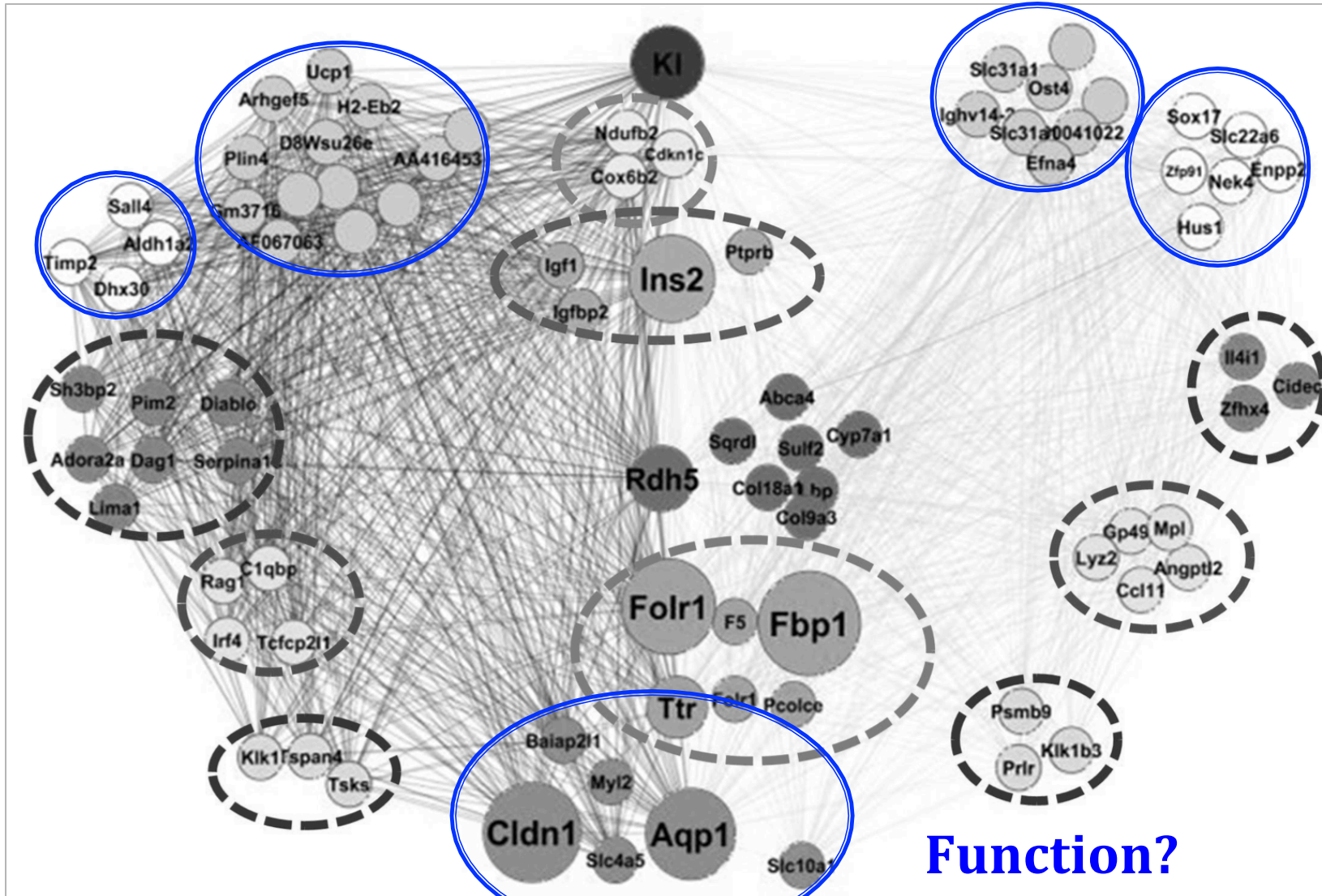
High BD Node: Validation



Validation

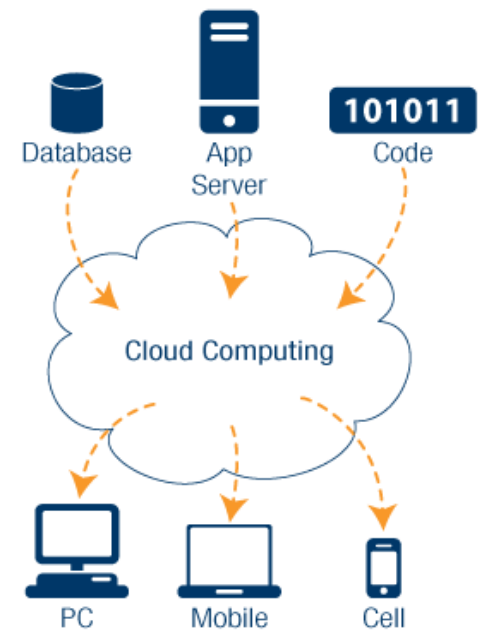


Discovery



Working in the Cloud

- Cloud computing is Web-based processing and storage. Software and equipment are offered as a service over the Web.
 - Data and applications can be accessed from any location
 - Data and applications can easily be shared through a common platform
 - Clouds need not be public; companies can introduce private cloud computing solutions



Cost Reduction & Convenience



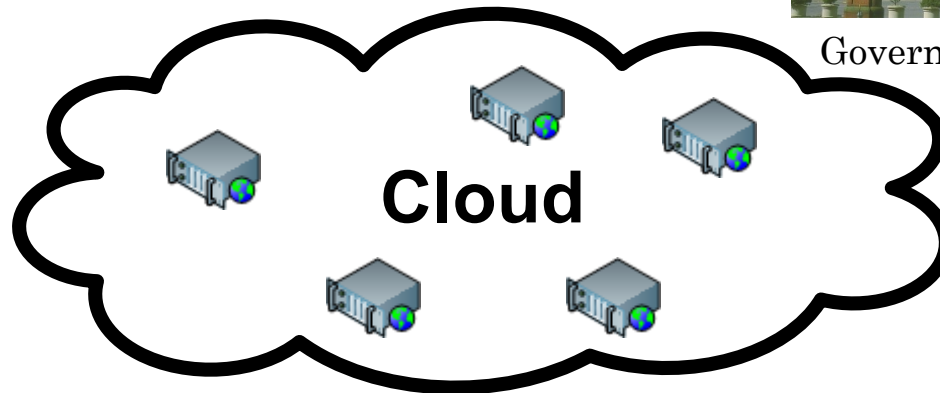
Small Business



Government Offices



Multinational
Corporations



Homes

- Flexible availability of resources
- Opportunity for developers to easily push their applications
- Targeted advertising
- Easy Software Upgrades for customers
 - Example: Webmail

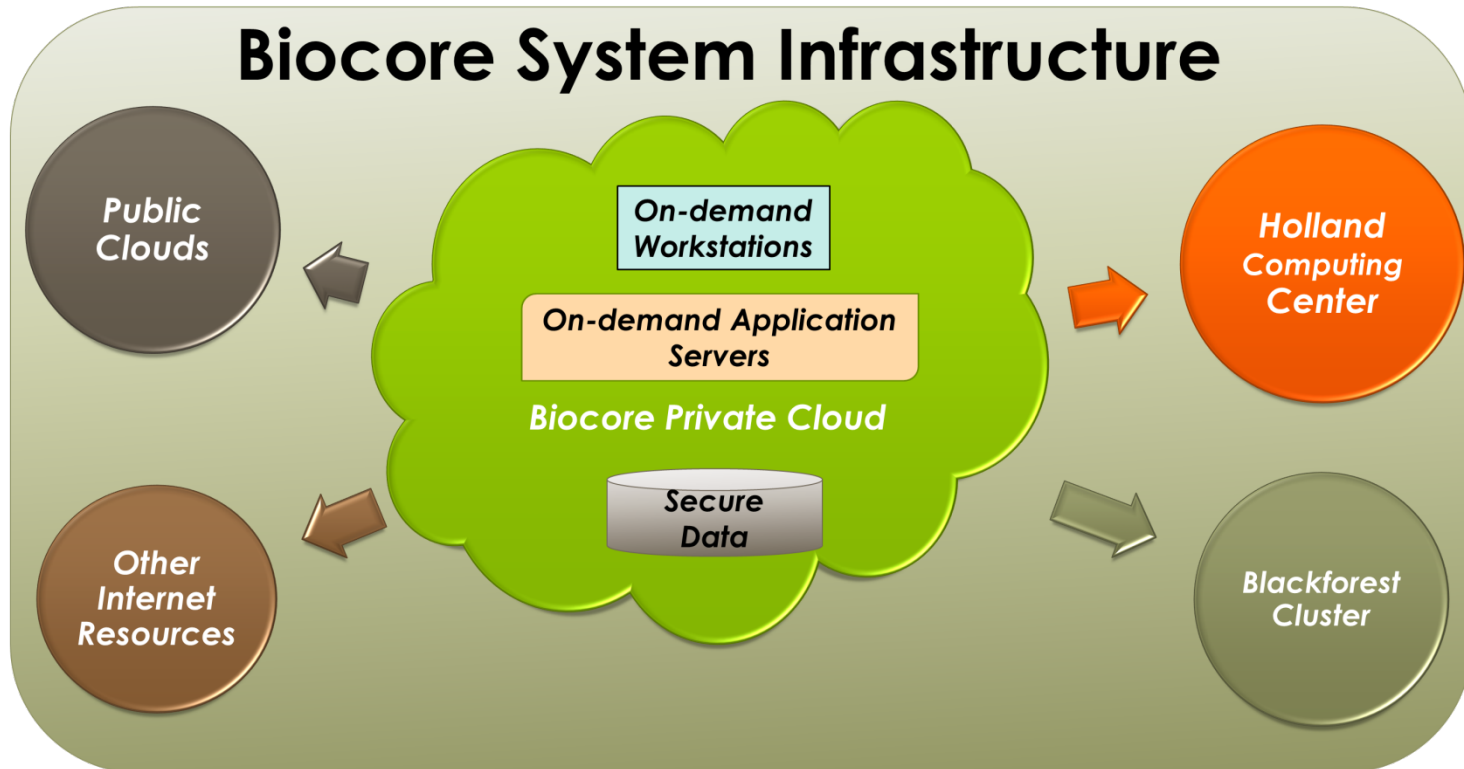
Private Clouds

- Core facilities need to acquire private infrastructure-level virtual cloud technology. Best vendor for such technology is VMware. The Bioinformatics Core facility at UNO uses *VMware vSphere Enterprise*.
- Public Clouds like Amazon EC2, RackSpace cannot be used in all cases due to various restrictions put forth by regulations (e.g. HIPAA data locality requirement). Such public clouds could only be used as a scalable platform for already anonymized data.
- Private Virtual Cloud is on-premise solution allowing all the benefits of virtualization technology both from an administrative and end-user perspective.

Security Hardened OS Template

- Virtual layer allows launching servers/machines from a template tested and hardened by the designated Security Office of the organization.
- Easier to isolate security issues on a virtual machine, resolve the issue on a clone of the virtual machine and deploy clone back to production environment.

Proposed Model





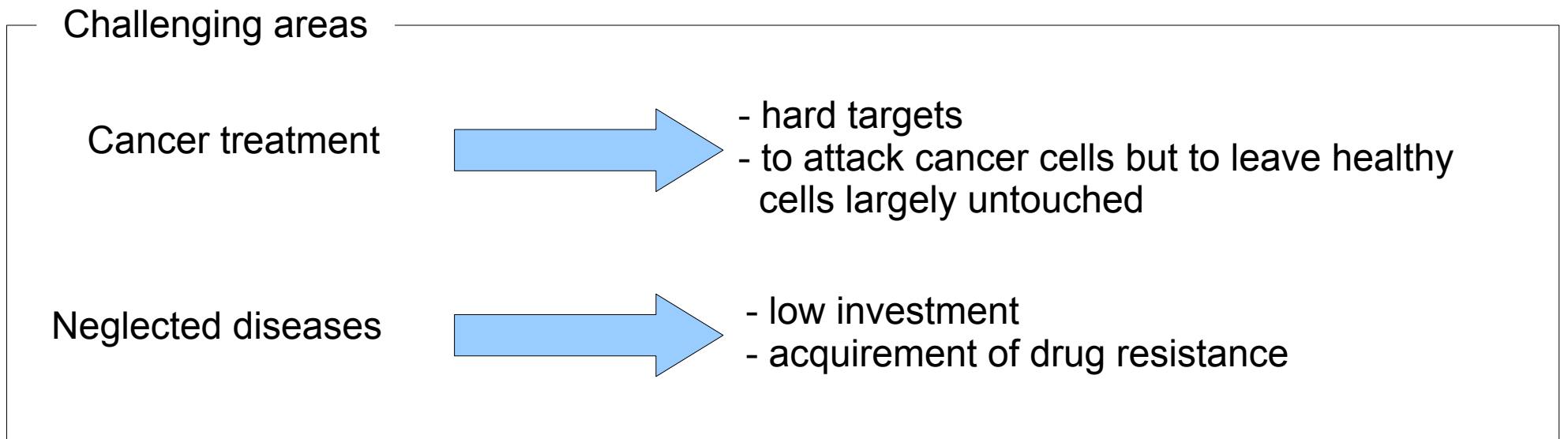
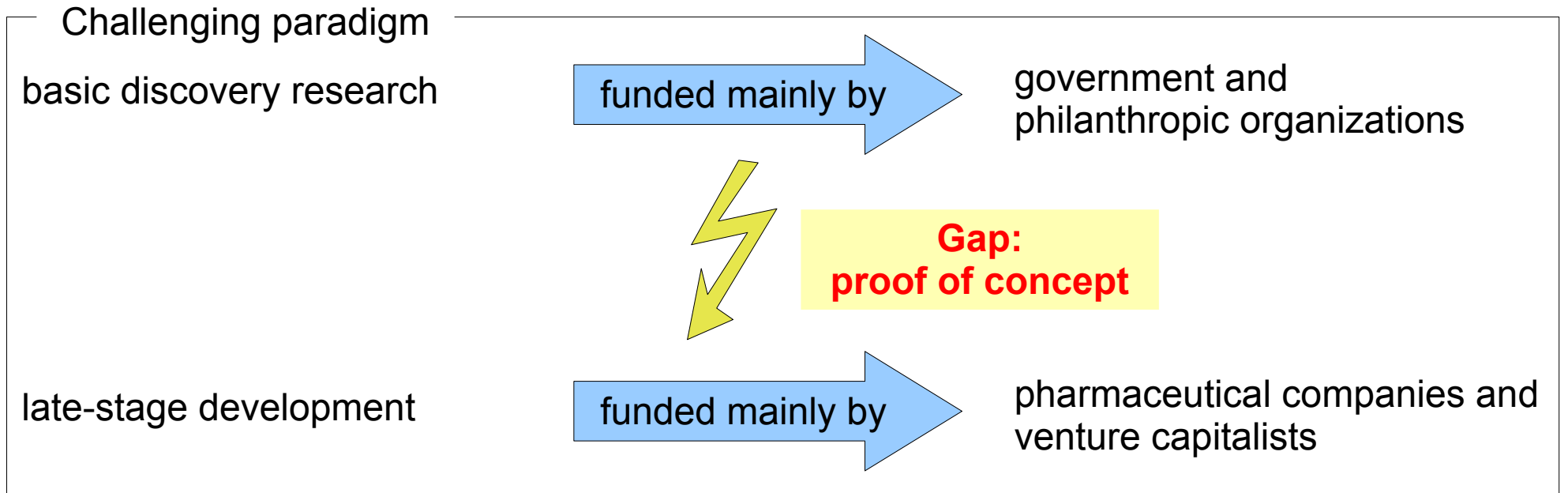
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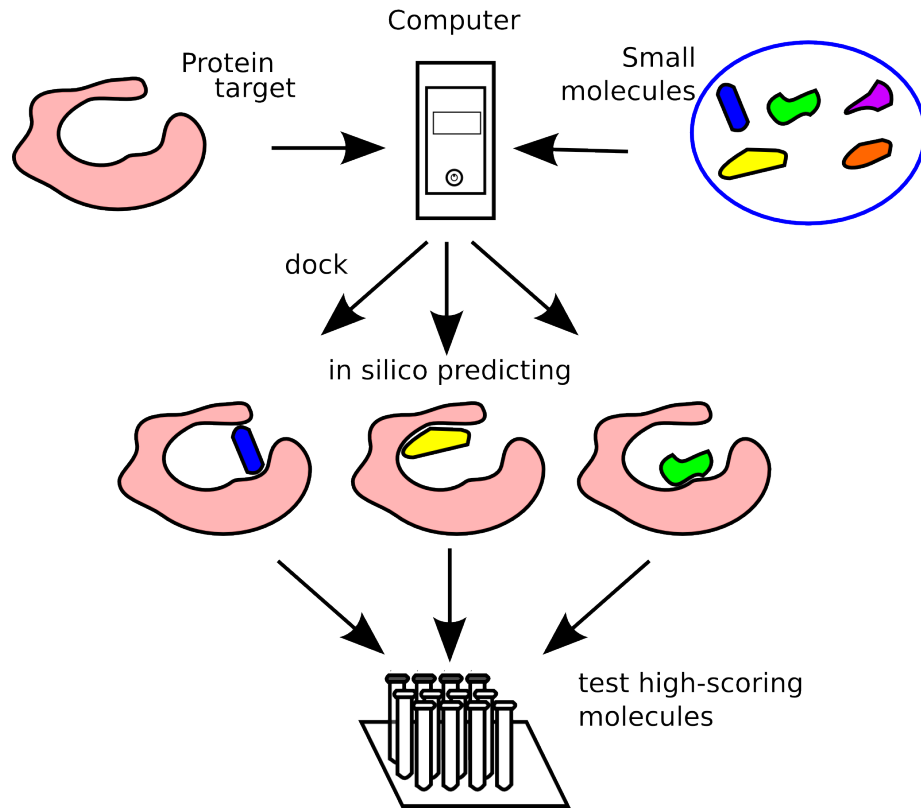


Issues in new drug development



Current methods

Screening for novel inhibitors by molecular docking



Drawback: virtual screening needs to know the protein structure (x-ray crystallography or theoretical by homology)

How to find potential therapeutic targets?

- druggable
- disease related
- specificity

The Druggable Genome

- estimates: not much more (based on current small-molecule drug design)
- do not consider future breakthroughs in medicinal chemistry or biology

Advantage of Using Applied Probability Theory in Bio-tenchonolgy

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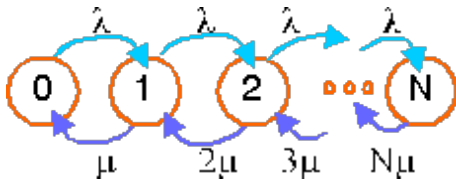
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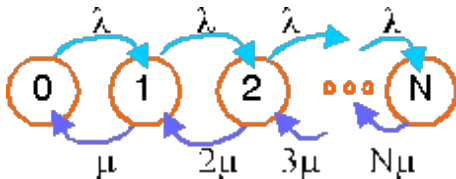


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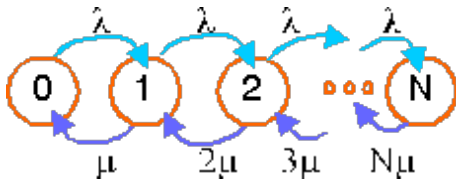


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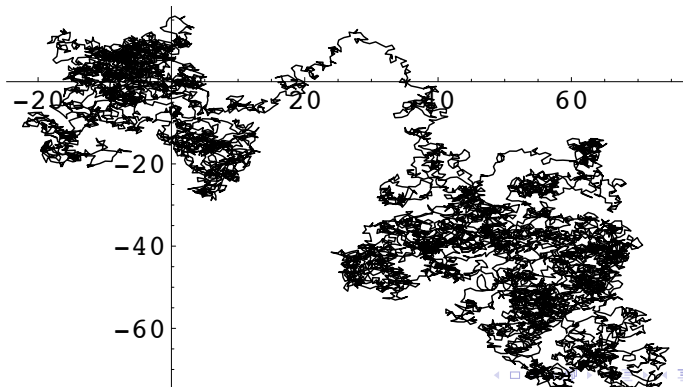
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Brownian Motion

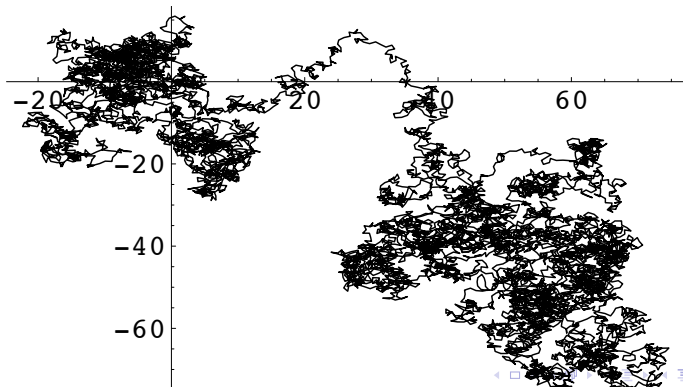
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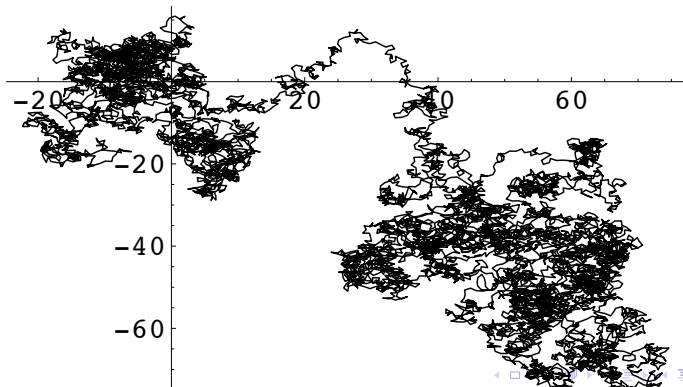
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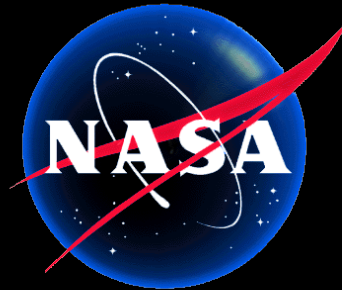
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Malaria Model and Ringed Seal Research



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Malaria Model



Global distribution of dominant or potentially important malaria vectors (Kiszewski et al., 2004).

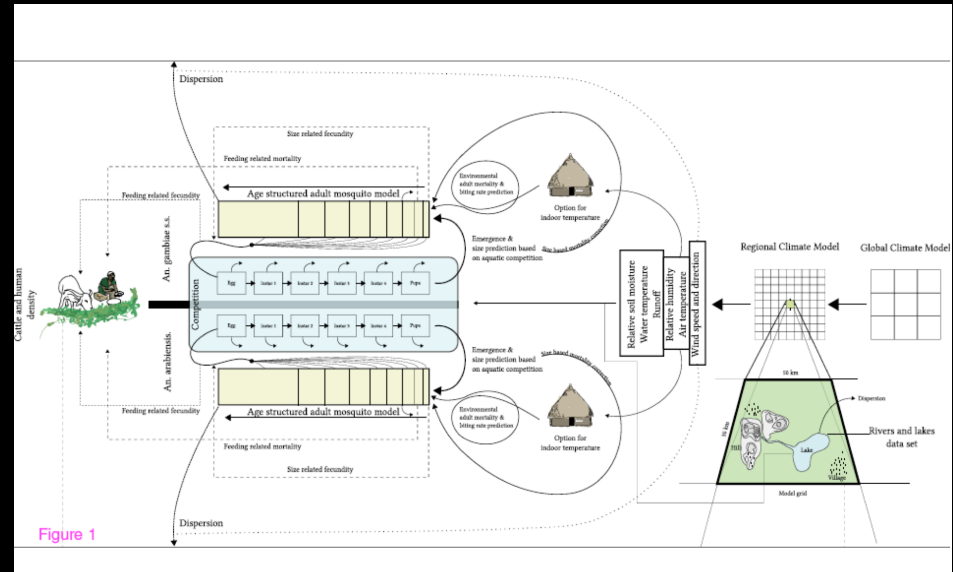
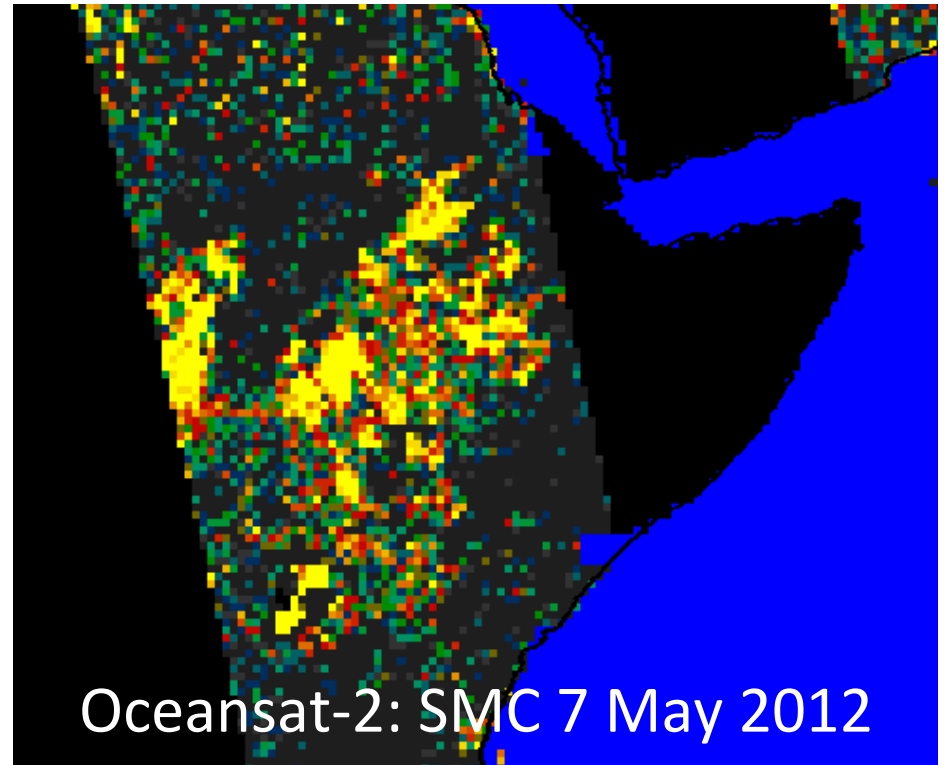
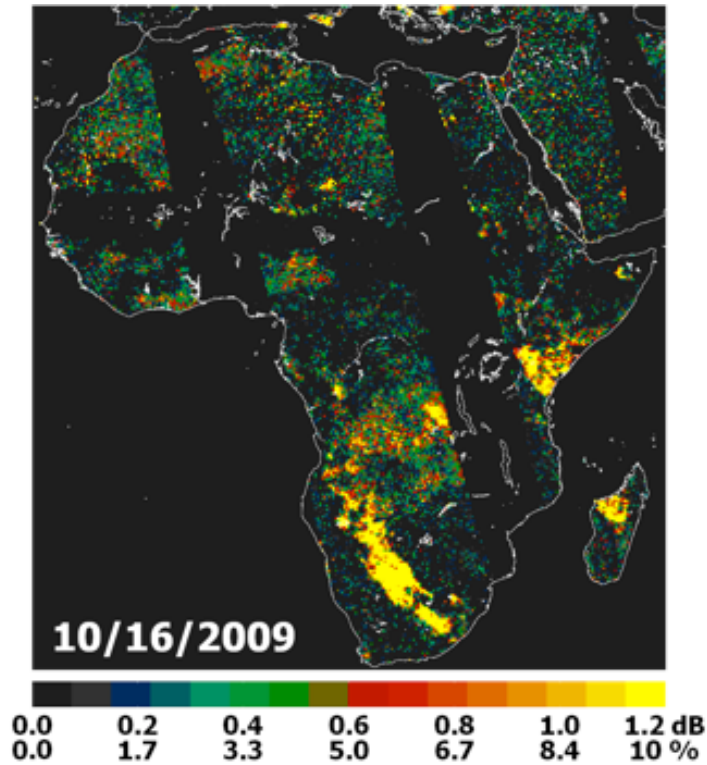


Figure 1

Idealized puddle model (Lunde et al., 2013).

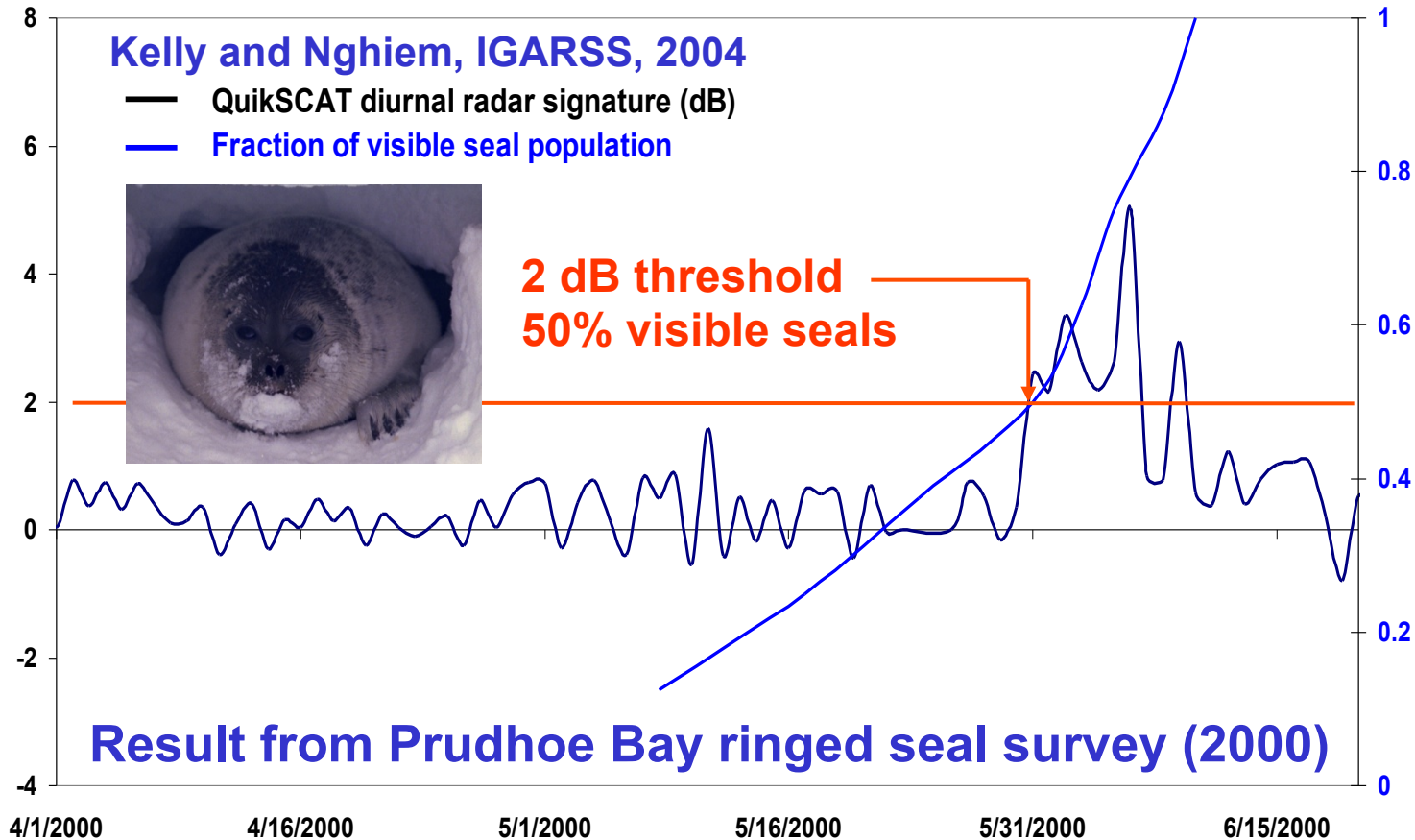
Malaria Model



(a) Left panel: Soil moisture change (SMC) across Africa [Nghiem, 2009] measured by QuikSCAT with the vertical polarization along ascending orbits on 10/16/ 2009. The color scale represents backscatter change in dB, and volumetric SMC in % with the Lonoke rating. Data gaps between orbits are seen in dark bands on land. High SMC is observed in an extensive pattern (yellow areas) across South Africa curving northward to Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, and Mozambique, with a wet region seen in Madagascar. (b) Right panel: SMC across Ethiopia measured by Oceansat-2 on 5/7/2012. Here we use data only from ascending orbit in this example (all orbits can be used so that the orbit data gaps are small).

Arctic Ringed Seal Research

QuikSCAT Diurnal Signature (dB)



Fraction of Visible Seal

What if seals come out too early due to early snow melt on sea ice?



Death by predation



Death by melt/freeze



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