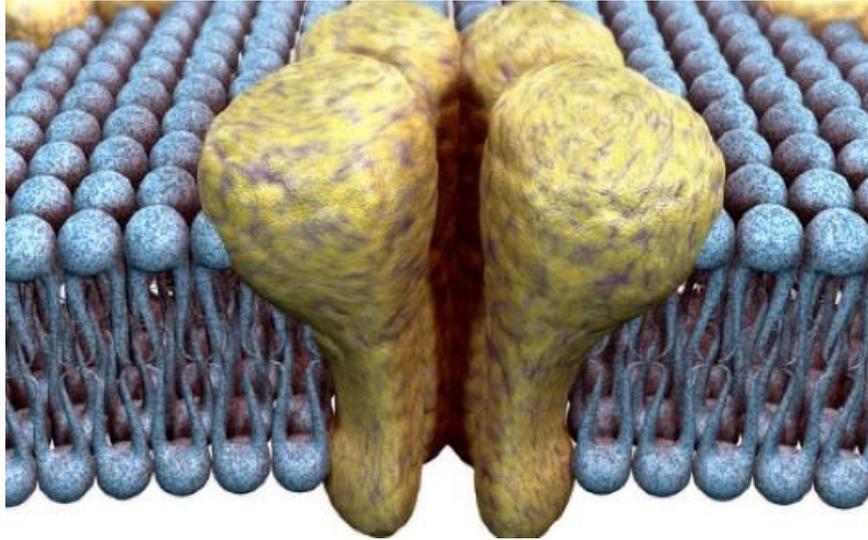


# Up/down and left/right by the heart transcriptome

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## Transcriptomic uniqueness and commonality of the ion channels and transporters in the four heart chambers

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Myocardium transcriptomes of left and right atria and ventricles from four adult male C57Bl/6j mice were profiled with Agilent microarrays to identify the differences responsible for the distinct functional roles of the four heart chambers. Female mice were not investigated owing to their transcriptome

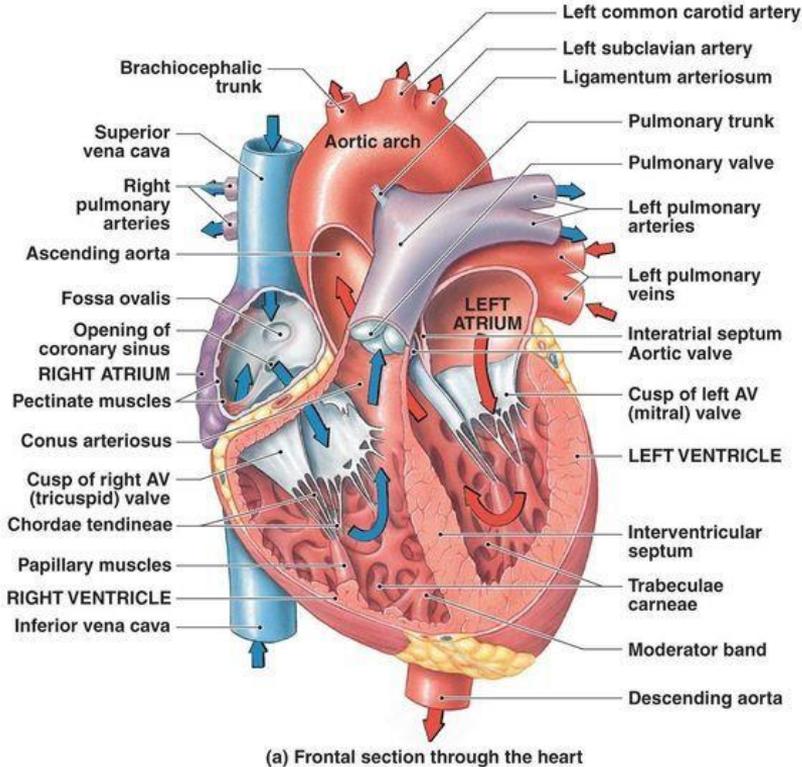


of the estrous cycle phase. Out of the quantified genes, the right side exhibited differential expression patterns. We also revealed also chamber differences in gene expression of ion channels and transporters, and genes with roles in glycolysis/gluconeogenesis, calcium signaling, and phosphorylation. The expression of *Ank2* oscillates in phase with the expression of in-phase oscillating partners in the right ventricle. The analysis indicates the substantially lower synchrony of the right ventricle from the same side.

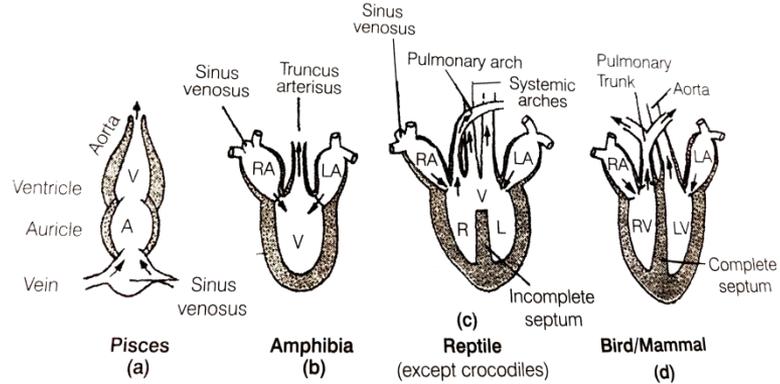


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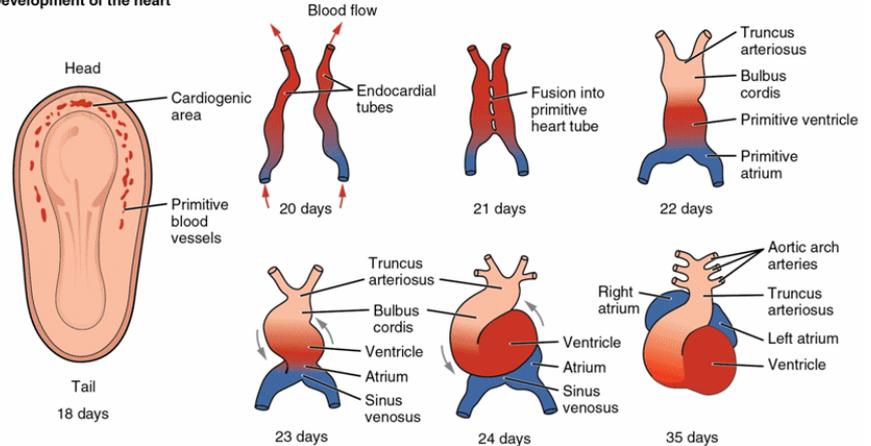


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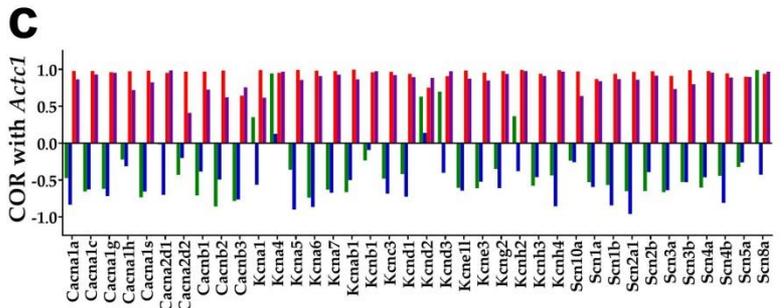
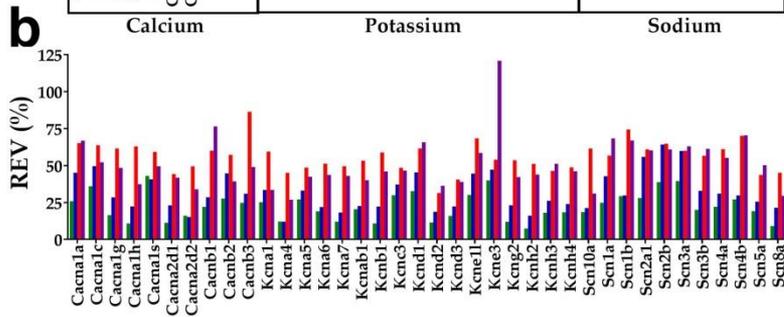
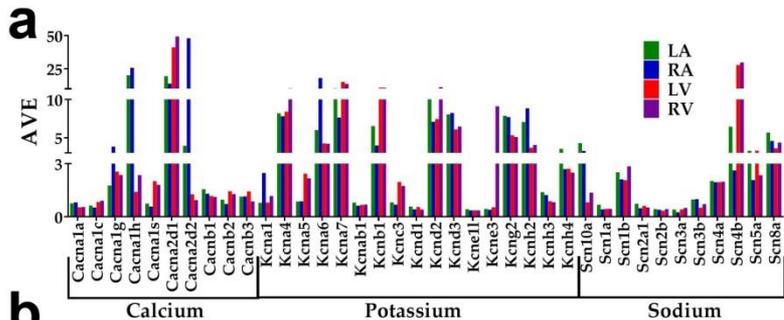
## Meckel-Serres Law "Ontogeny recapitulates phylogeny"

Development of the heart



★ **Cardiogenic area begins right in the middle of head pole**

# Transcriptomic topology



Three independent variables.

*Actc1* = actin, cardiac muscle 1

**Genomic fabric** :  $F \equiv (\Gamma, \Pi, \Xi, \Theta)$

$\Gamma$  = set of composing genes ( $|\Gamma|$  = number of genes),

$\Pi$  = transcriptomic profile (set of the 95% confidence intervals of the composing genes expression levels)

$\Xi$  = control of transcript abundance

$\Theta$  = topology (series of many-gene expression correlation functions)

$$AVE_i^{(chamber)} = \frac{1}{R_i} \sum_{k=1}^{R_i} \mu_{i,k}^{(chamber)} = \frac{1}{R_i} \sum_{k=1}^{R_i} \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=1}^4 a_{i,k,j}^{(chamber)} \right)}_{\mu_i^{(chamber)}}$$

$$REV_i^{(chamber)} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{r_i}{\chi^2(r_i; 1-\alpha/2)}} + \sqrt{\frac{r_i}{\chi^2(r_i; \alpha/2)}} \right)}_{\text{redundancy correction coefficient}} \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{1}{R_i} \sum_{k=1}^{R_i} \left( \frac{S_{ik}^{(chamber)}}{\mu_{ik}^{(chamber)}} \right)^2}}_{\text{pooled } CV_i^{(chamber)}} \times 100\%$$

$$\Theta(\overline{g_1}, \overline{g_2}, \dots, \overline{g_n}) = \prod_{k=1}^n A_k \left[ \overline{F_k}(\overline{g_{i1}}, \dots, \overline{g_{ik}} \mid_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n}) \right]$$

$$\overline{F_2}(\overline{g_{i1}}, \overline{g_{i2}} \mid_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n}) = \left( \overline{g_{i1}} r(\overline{g_{i1}}, \overline{g_{i2}}) \overline{g_{i2}} - \overline{g_{i1}} \overline{g_{i2}} \times \hat{1} \right)_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n} \quad \text{pair-wise topology}$$

$r(\overline{g_{i1}}, \overline{g_{i2}})$  = Pearson correlation coefficient between the sets of the expression levels of genes  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  within biological replicas

recurrence relation:  $\overline{F_k}(\overline{g_{i1}}, \dots, \overline{g_{ik}} \mid_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n}) = \overline{g_{ik}} r(\overline{g_{ik}}, \overline{F_k}(\overline{g_{i1}}, \dots, \overline{g_{i_{k-1}} \mid_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k-1} \leq n}}))$  , multi dimensional correlations

$$A_1 \geq A_2 \geq A_3 \geq \dots \geq A_n \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Theta(\overline{g_1}, \overline{g_2}, \dots, \overline{g_n}) \approx A_1 \underbrace{\left( \overline{g_{i1}} \times \hat{1} \right)_{1 \leq i_1 \leq n}}_{\text{single-gene topology}} + A_2 \underbrace{\left( \overline{g_{i1}} r(\overline{g_{i1}}, \overline{g_{i2}}) \overline{g_{i2}} - \overline{g_{i1}} \overline{g_{i2}} \times \hat{1} \right)_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n}}_{\text{pair-wise topology}}$$



# Transcriptomic chamber specificity

$WPR_{\Gamma}^{(A \rightarrow B)} = \overline{wpr_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}}_{i \in \Gamma}$ , where:

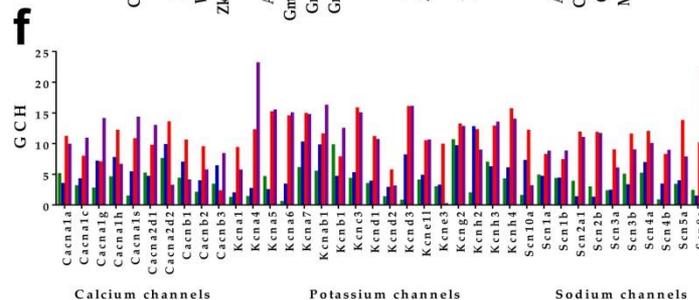
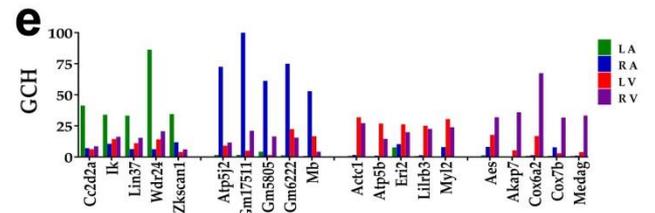
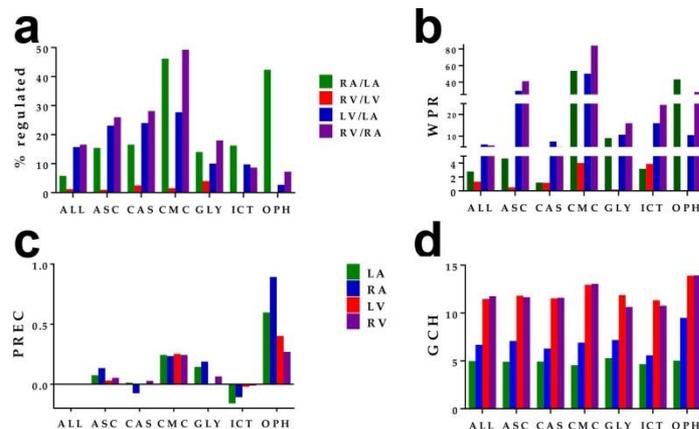
$$wpr_i^{(A \rightarrow B)} = \begin{cases} \mu_i^{(A)} \left( |x_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}| - CUT_i^{(A \rightarrow B)} \right) (1 - p_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}) & \text{if } |x_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}| > CUT_i^{(A \rightarrow B)} \\ 0 & \text{if } |x_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}| \leq CUT_i^{(A \rightarrow B)} \end{cases}$$

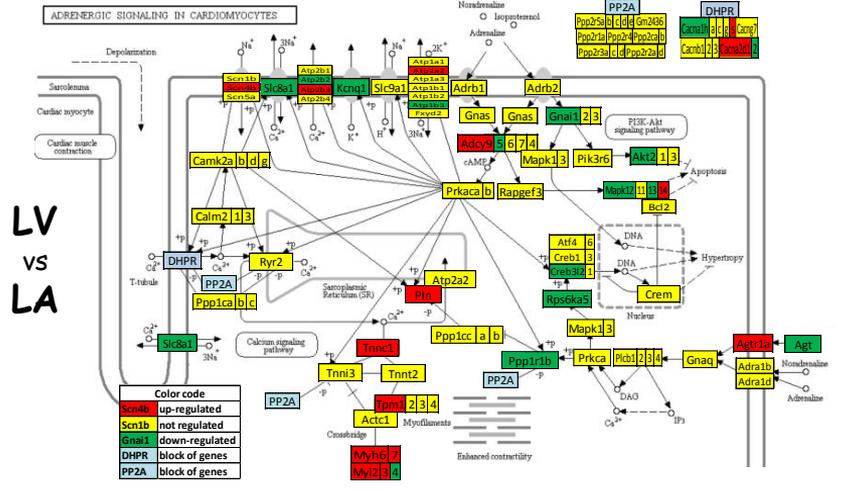
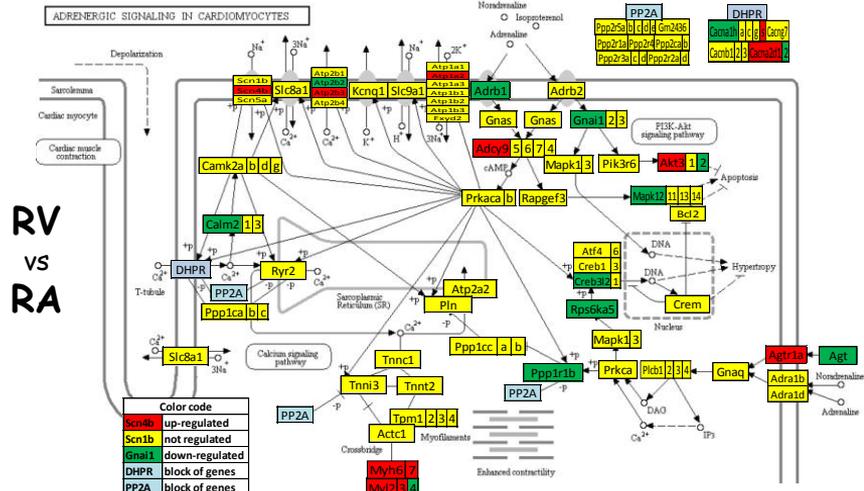
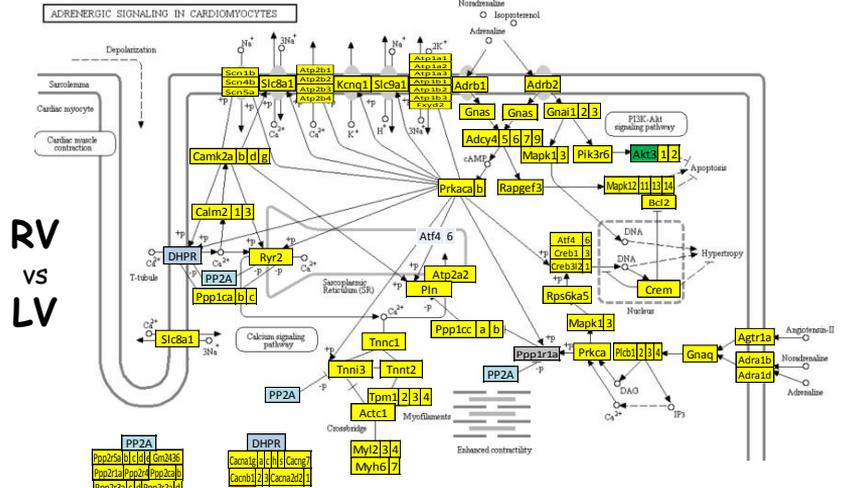
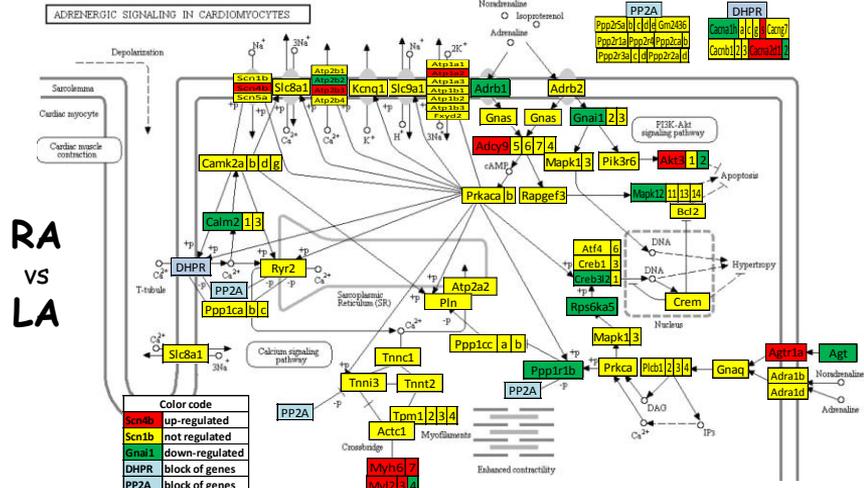
$p_i^{(A \rightarrow B)}$  = p-val of the heteroscedastic t-test of  $\mu_i^{(B)} = \mu_i^{(A)}$

$$REC_i^{(chamber)} = \frac{\langle REV^{(chamber)} \rangle_{ALL}}{\langle REV_i^{(chamber)} \rangle} - 1, \quad PREC_{\Gamma}^{(chamber)} = \frac{\langle REV^{(chamber)} \rangle_{ALL}}{\langle REV^{(chamber)} \rangle_{\Gamma}} - 1$$

where:  $\langle REV^{(chamber)} \rangle_{\Gamma/ALL} \equiv$  median of  $REV$  over pathway  $\Gamma$  / entire transcriptome

$$GCH_i^{(chamber)} = (REC_i^{(chamber)} + 1) \times \exp\left(4 \overline{\rho_{ij}^2}_{\forall j \neq i}^{(chamber)}\right)$$

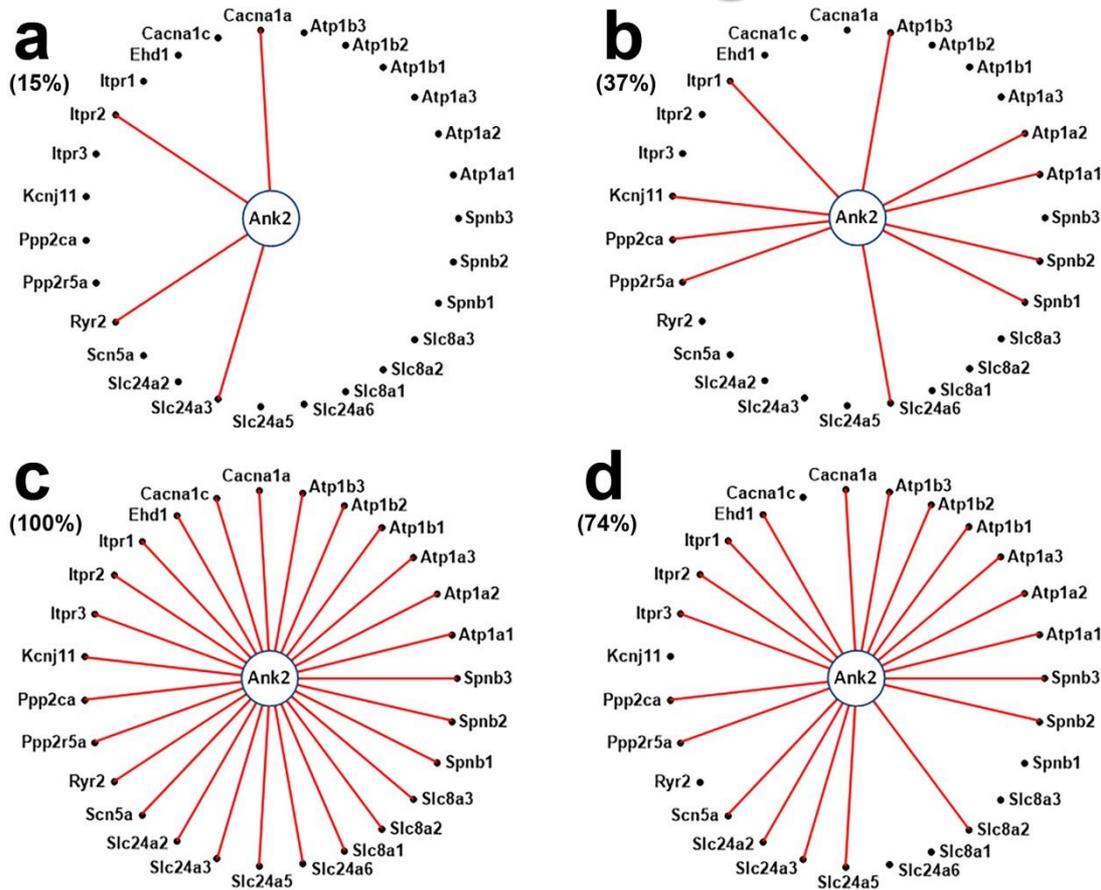






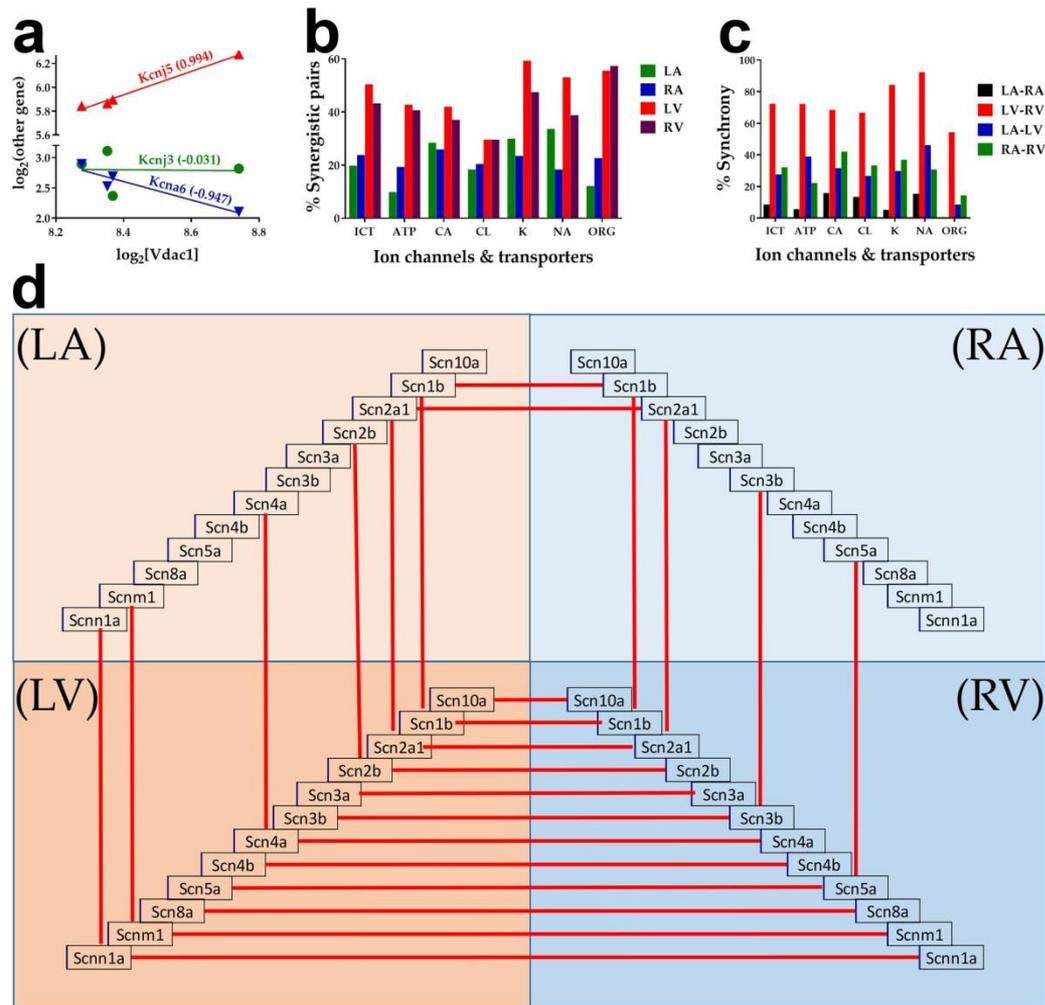


# Differential gene networking



Expression coordination of *Ank2* (a major player in cardiac physiology and a hub-bottleneck gene in atrial fibrillation) with its known binding partners in: **a.** left atrium, **b.** right atrium, **c.** left ventricle, **d.** right ventricle.

# Expression synchrony of ionic channels and transporters



# Sexual dichotomy

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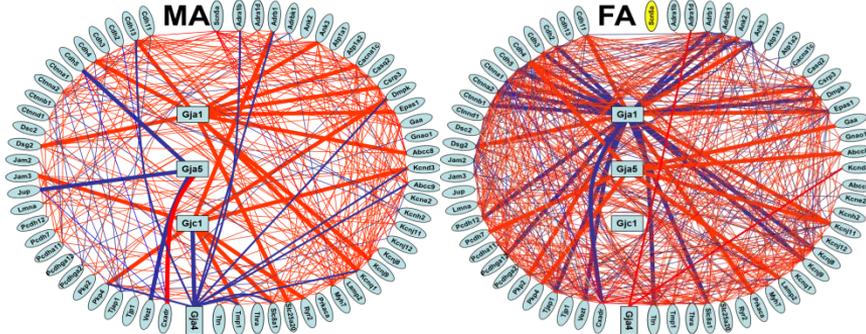
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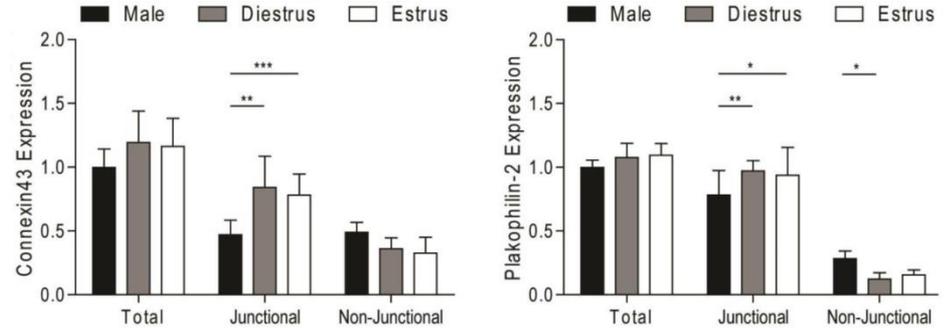
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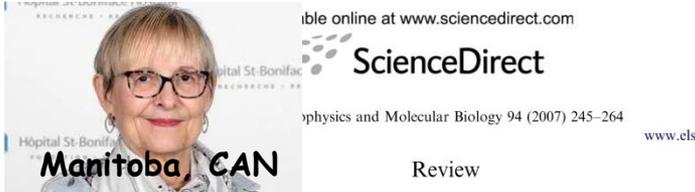


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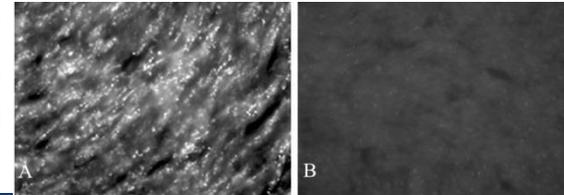
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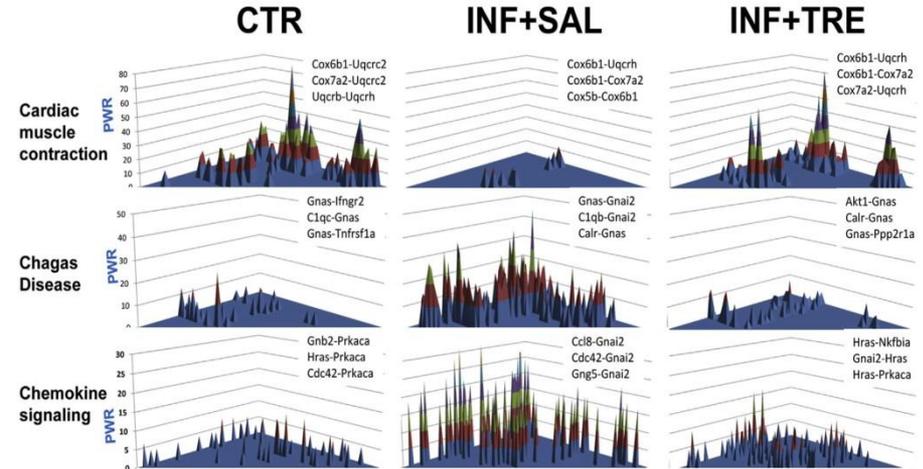


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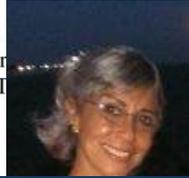
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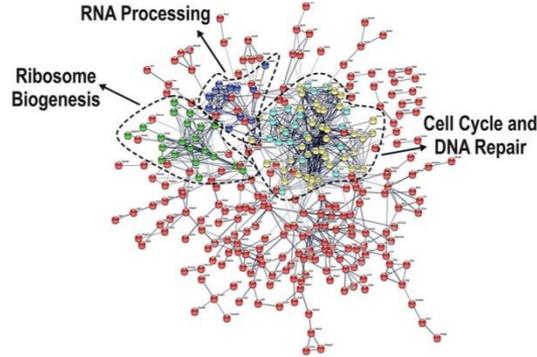
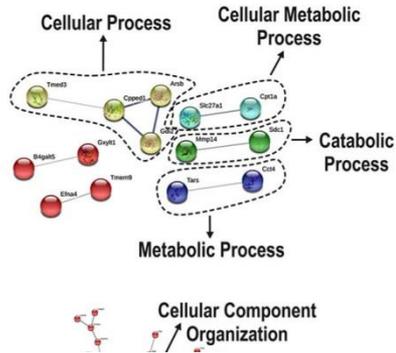


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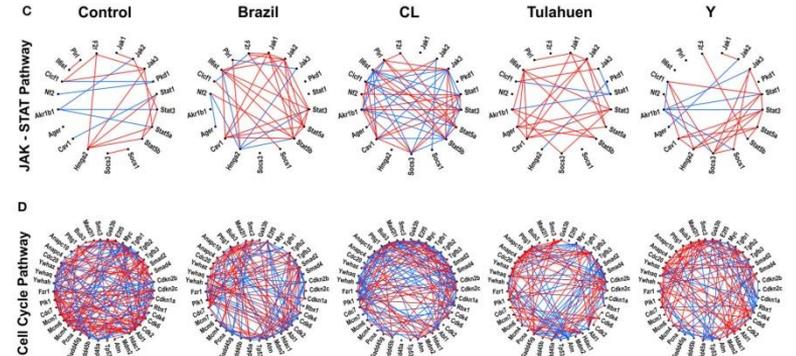
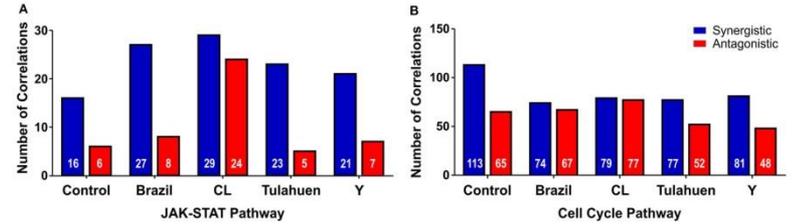
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# Cardiac ischemia



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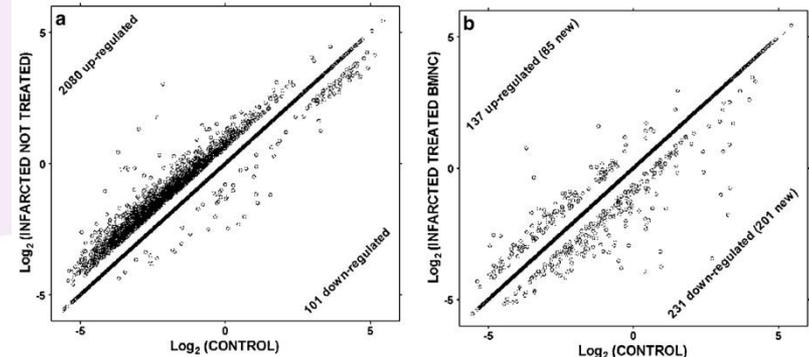
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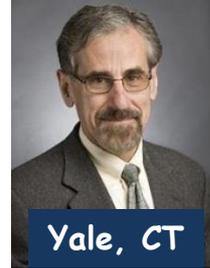
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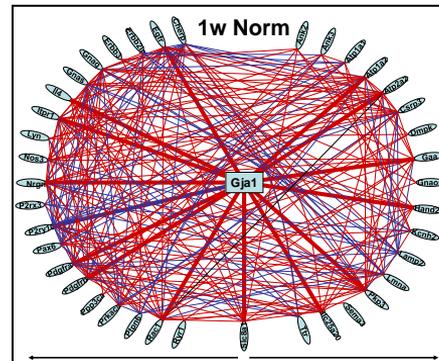
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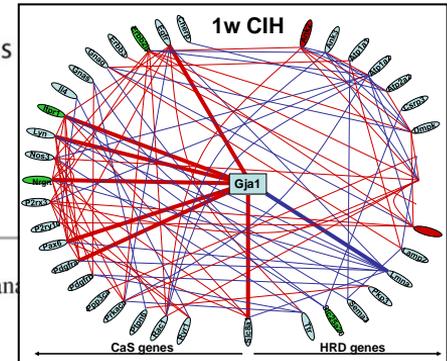


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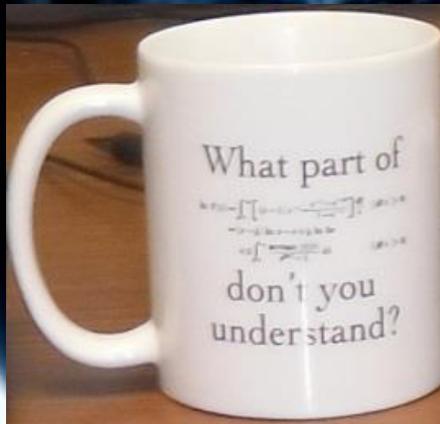


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# Transcriptomic differences

- LA vs LV > RA vs RV > LA vs RA > LV vs RV in gene expression level, control and coordination
- Male vs female (changes during the estrogen cycle)
- Young vs adult
- Normoxic vs hypoxic (constant or intermittent) or ischemia
- Healthy vs Chagasic cardiomyopathy
- Wildtype vs connexin null/knockdown

# Thank you!



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