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# Genetic Resources & Drug Discovery: View from Informatics

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PATHWAY

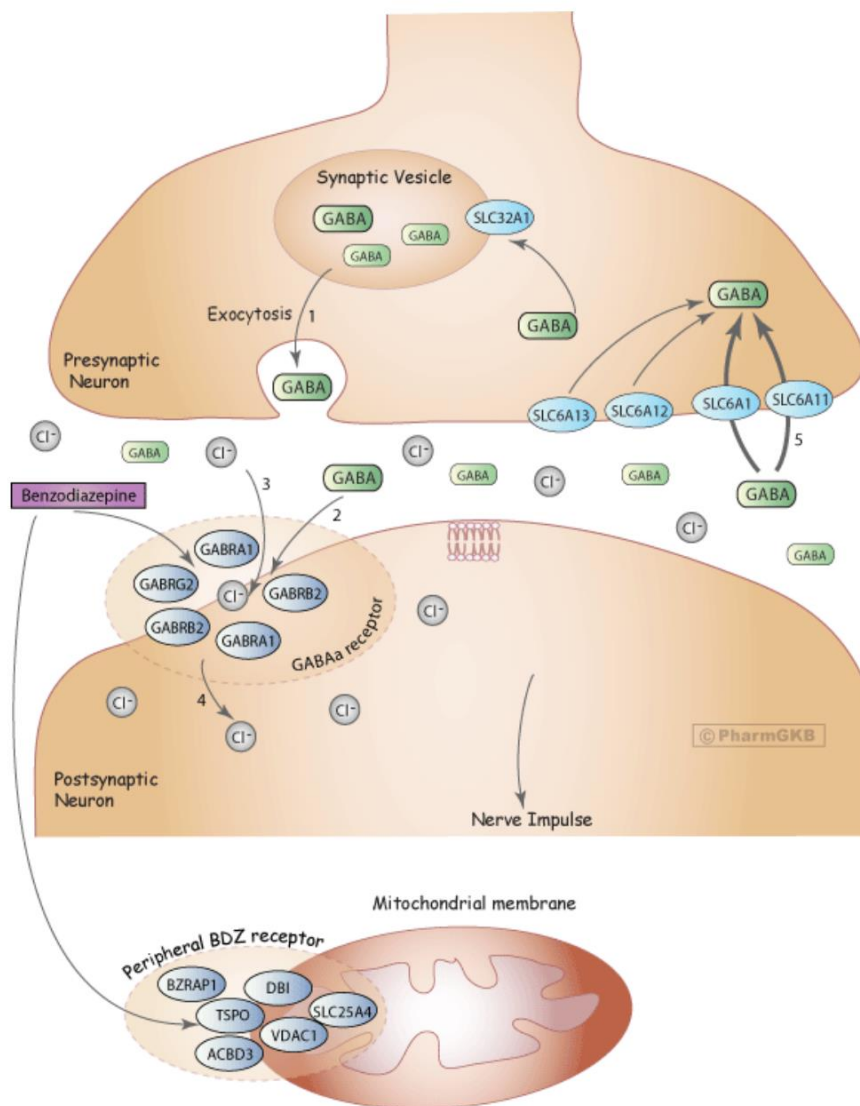
**Benzodiazepine Pathway, Pharmacodynamics**

Overview

Components

Related Pathways

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gene

drug

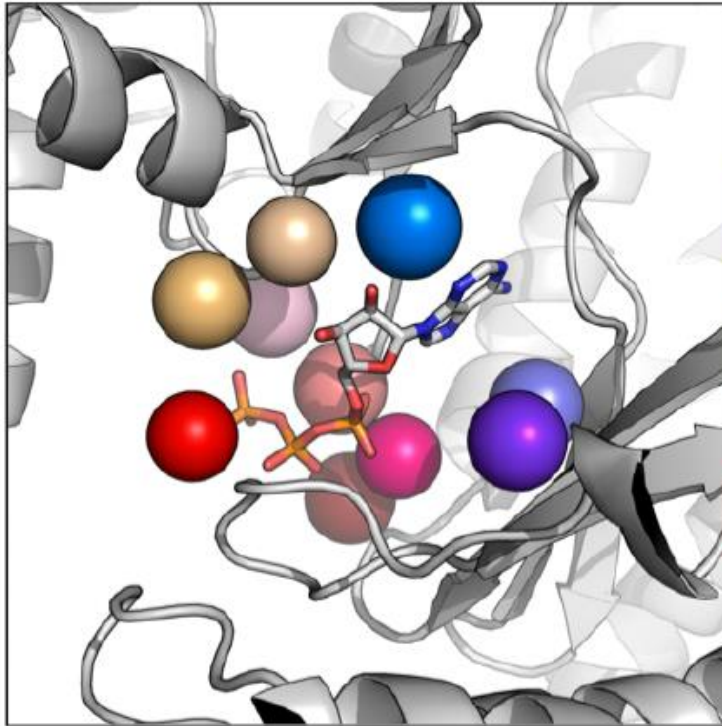
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# Key points

1. Most genetic contributors to disease are LOF (90% of OMIM), but **adding function (drug = GOF) is hard**. So need to turn search for GOF into search for LOF.
2. **Data integration** across scales (molecular, cellular, physiology, EMR, population) is mandatory to de-risk drug discovery (side effects, no effects).
3. Like genes, drugs have (vastly underestimated) **pleiotropic effects** and these should be considered during drug development.
4. **Pathway approaches** for understanding pleiotropic genes and drugs offer more opportunities to modulate biology through LOF interventions, and to predict side effects and poor efficacy.

FEATURE “sees” similarities in diverse kinase structures (PIK3CG and SRC) = repurposing opportunity (Liu & Altman, PLoS Comp Bio, 2011).

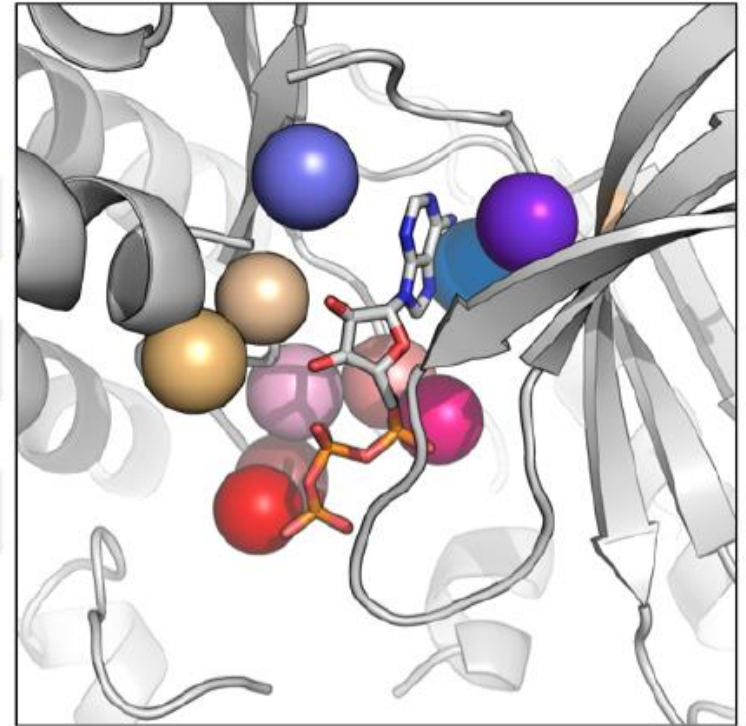


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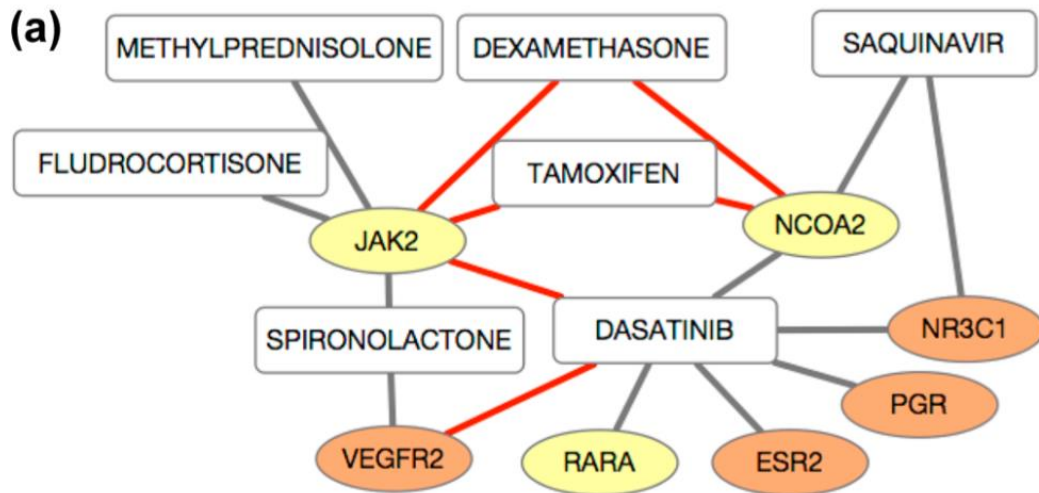
Ribose

Phosphate

PI3K pathway

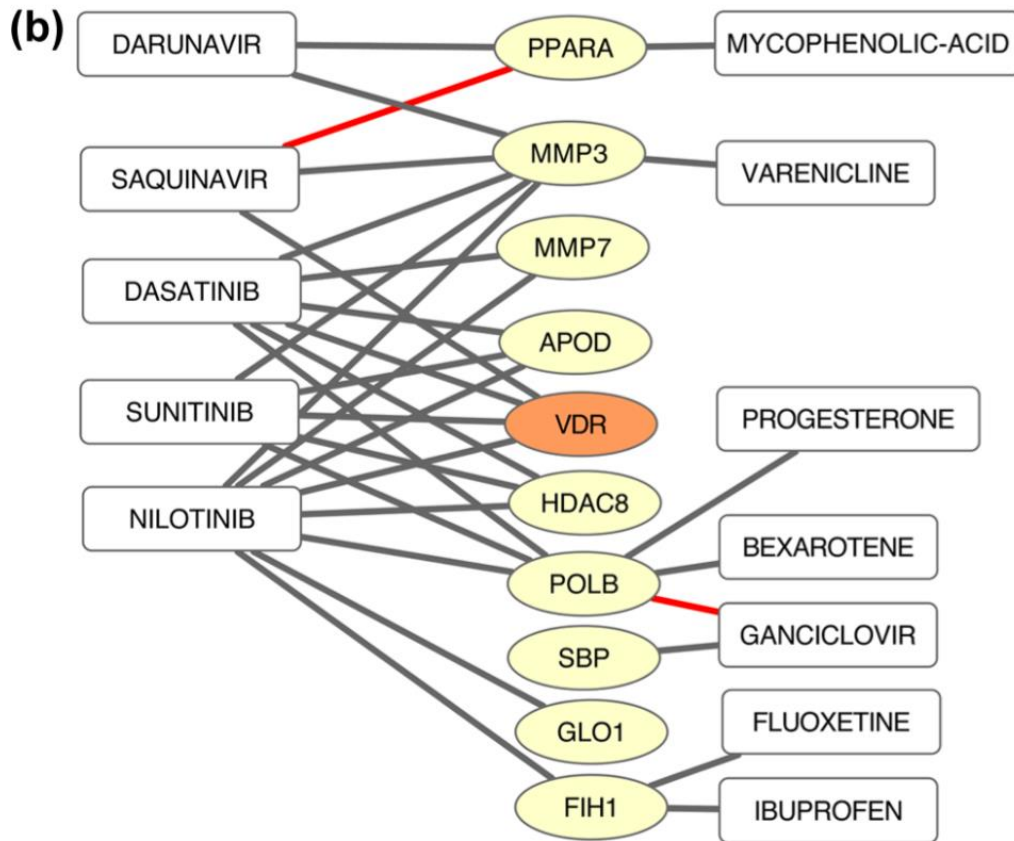


MAP kinase pathway



Promiscuous drug binding explains some adverse events

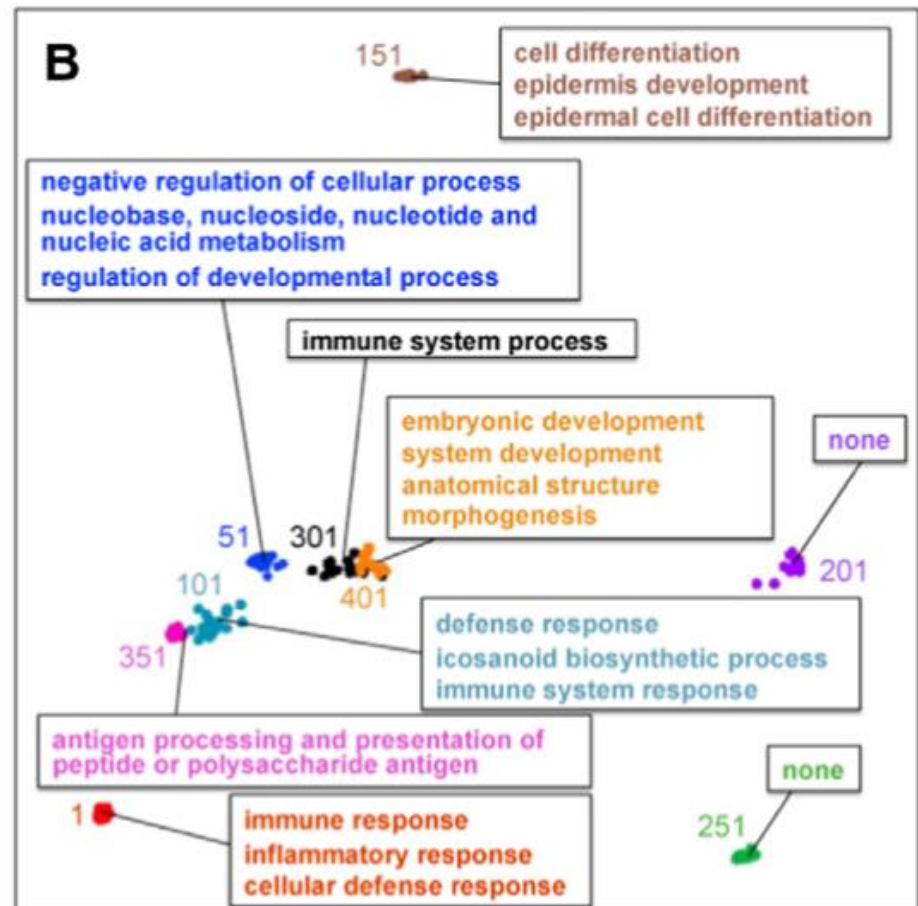
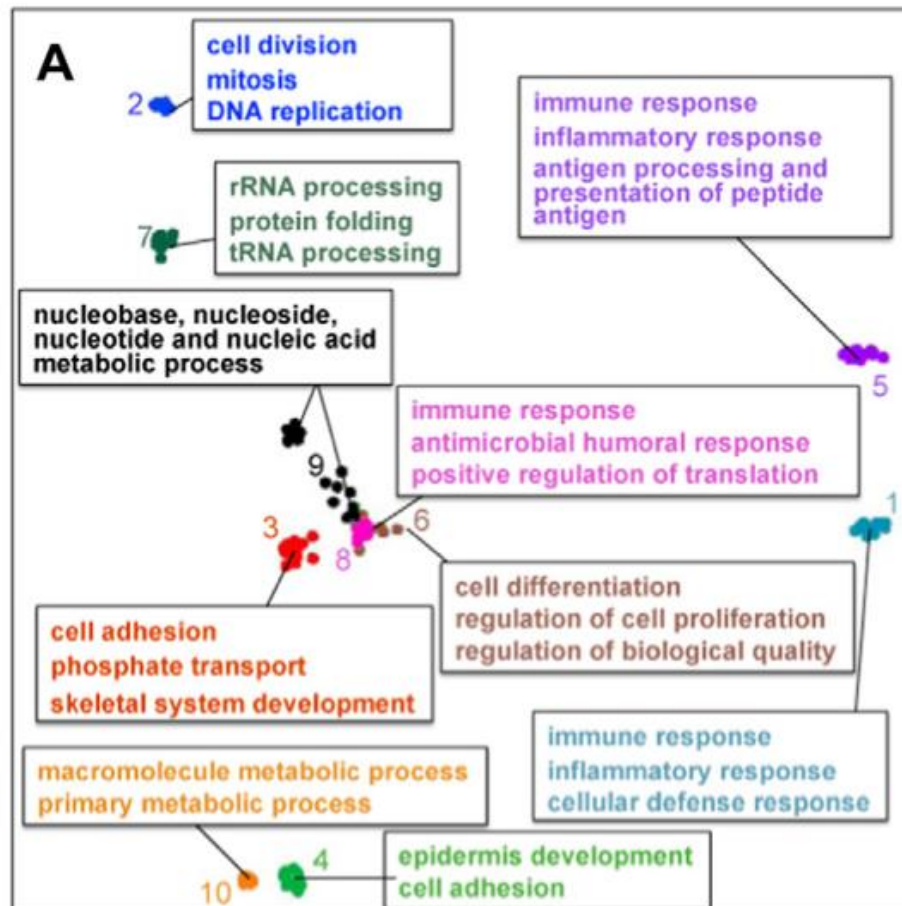
(a) Menstrual irregularity



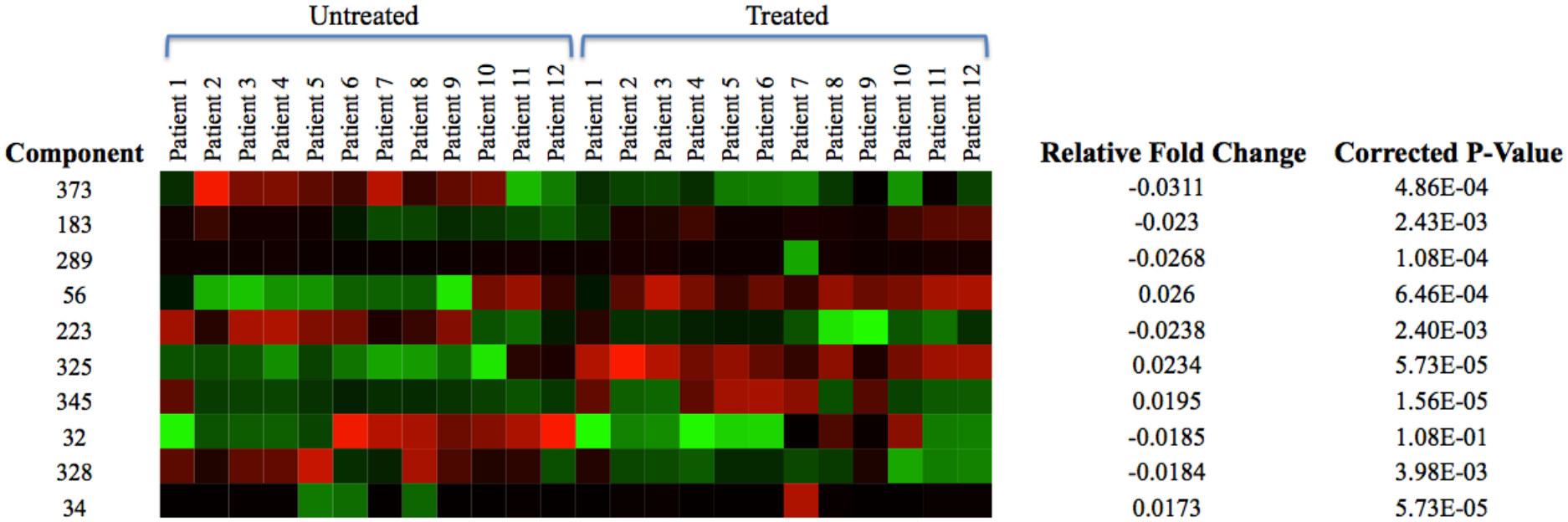
(b) Hypocalcemia



Independent Component Analysis of GEO human data yields ~450 fundamental components that explain most variability in expression experiments.  
(Engreitz et al, J Biomed Inform. 2010)



# Key components expressed at different levels in treated vs. untreated

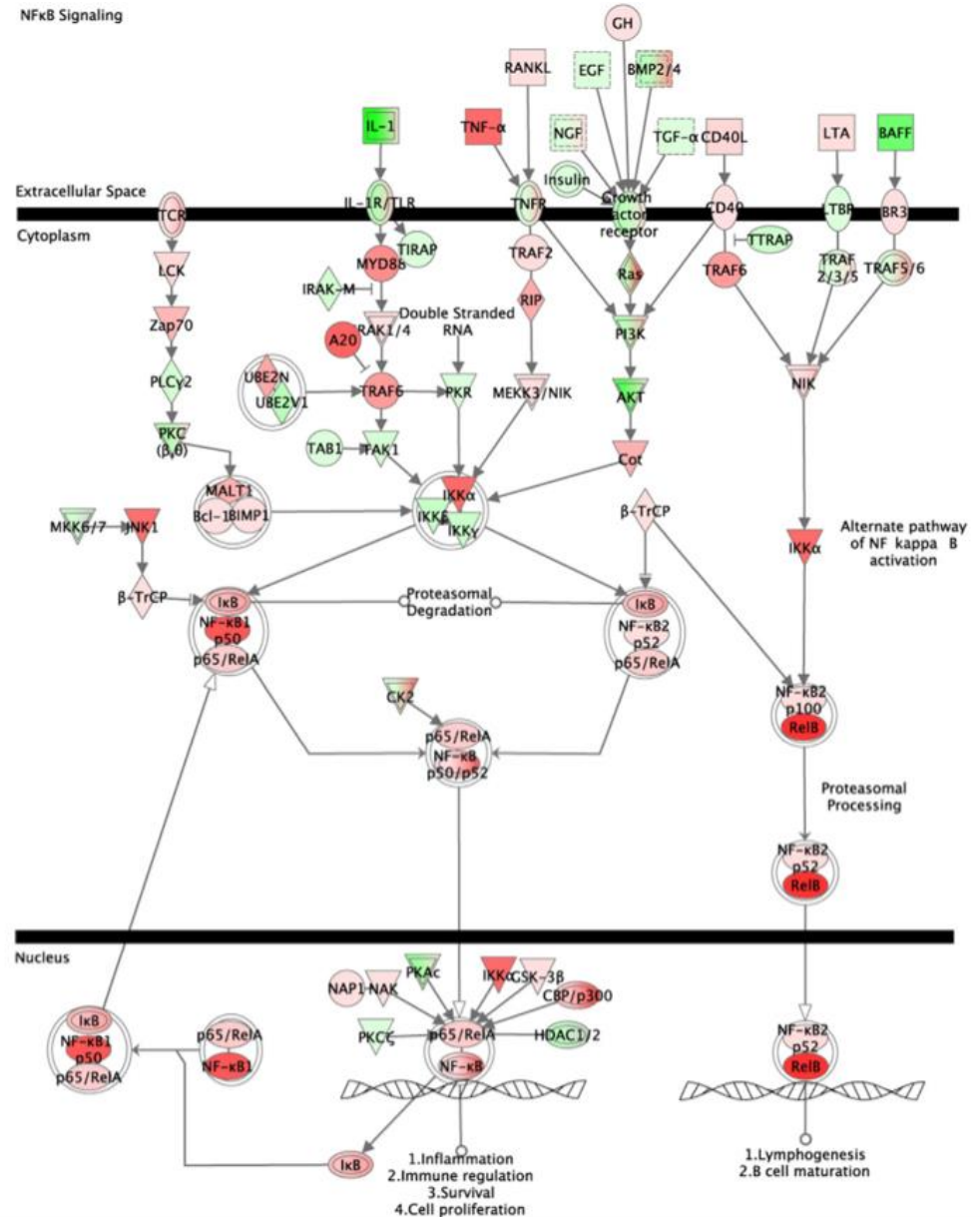




# Parthenolide effects NFkB signaling. Pathways suggests new diseases and new targets.

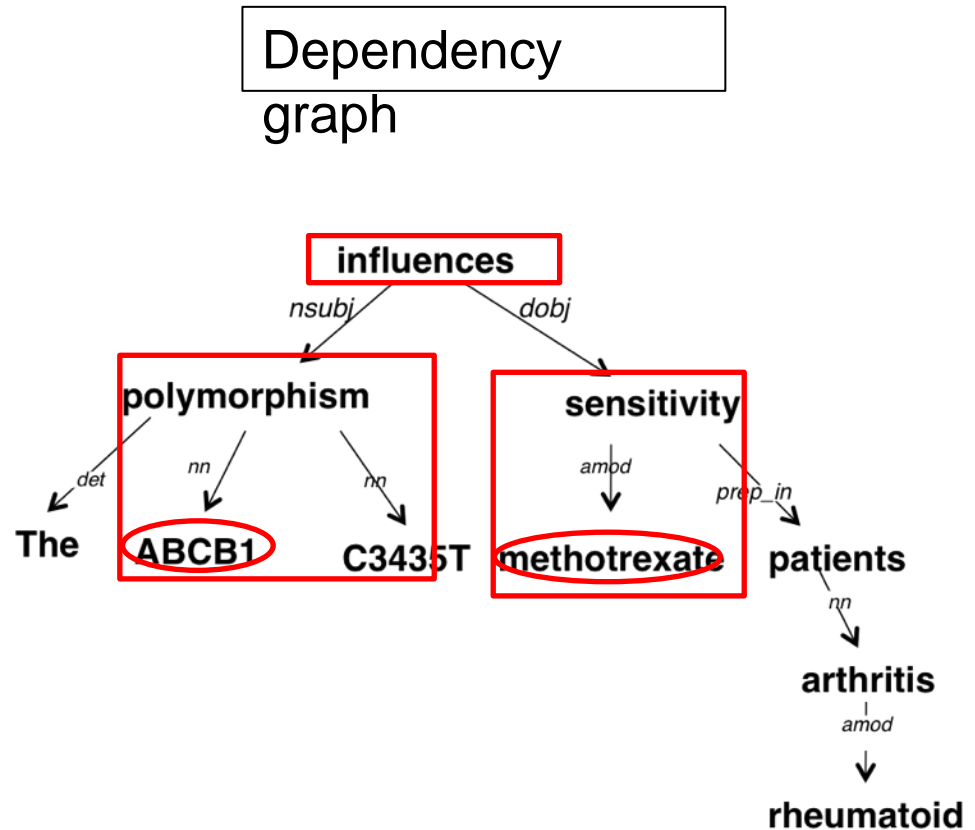
Parthenolide alters  
expression of TNF, NFkB,  
kinases.

Immediately suggests a way  
to decide if Parthenolide is  
appropriate for other  
cancers, based on their  
gene expression.

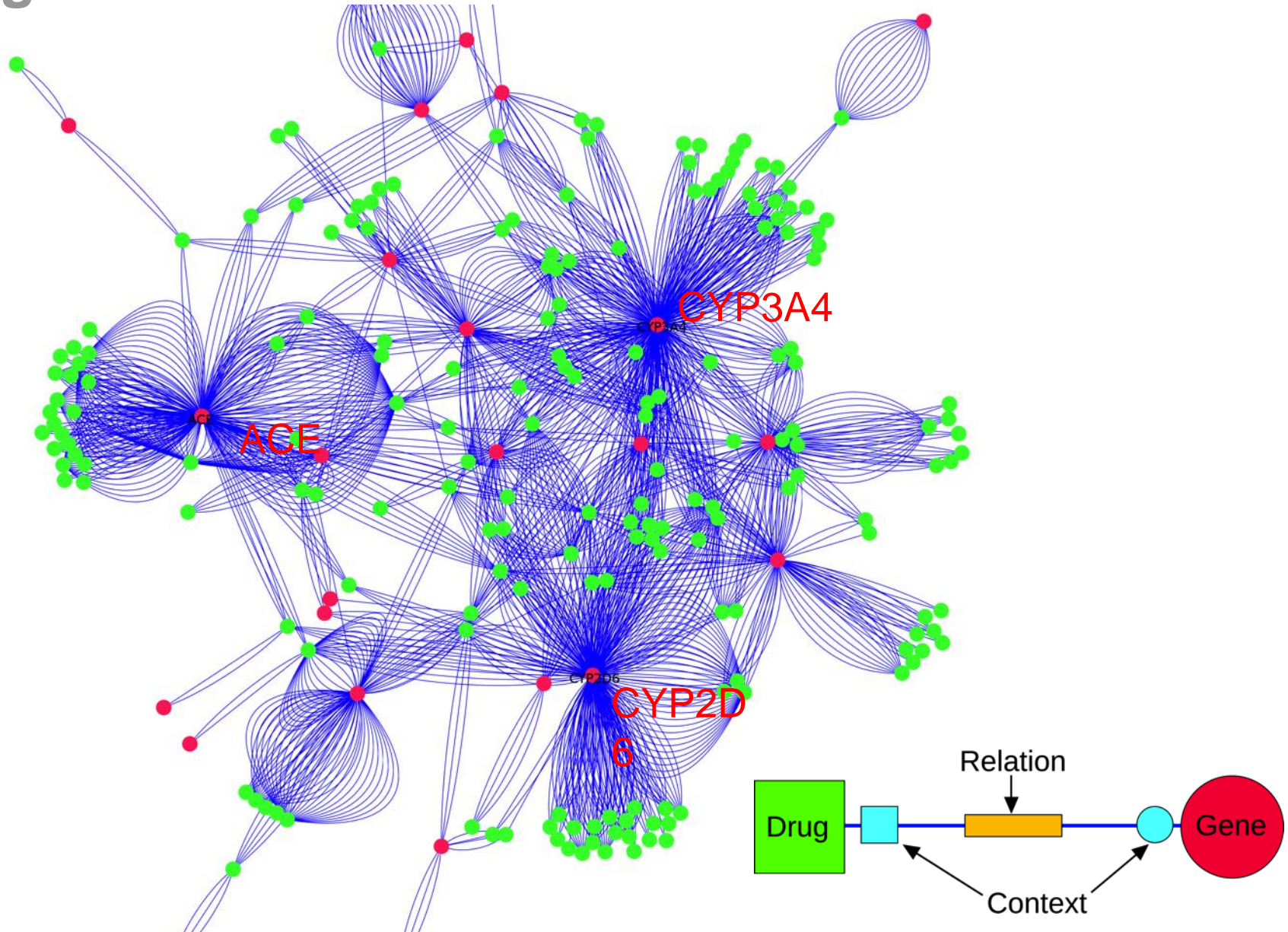


# Advances in natural language parsing enable high fidelity extraction of relations

SYNTAX		
Word	Part Of Speech	Dependency Graph
The	DT	
ABCB1	NN	
C3435T	NN	
polymorphism	NN	
influences	VBZ	
methotrexate	JJ	
sensitivity	NN	
in	IN	
rheumatoid	JJ	
arthritis	NN	
patients.	NNS	

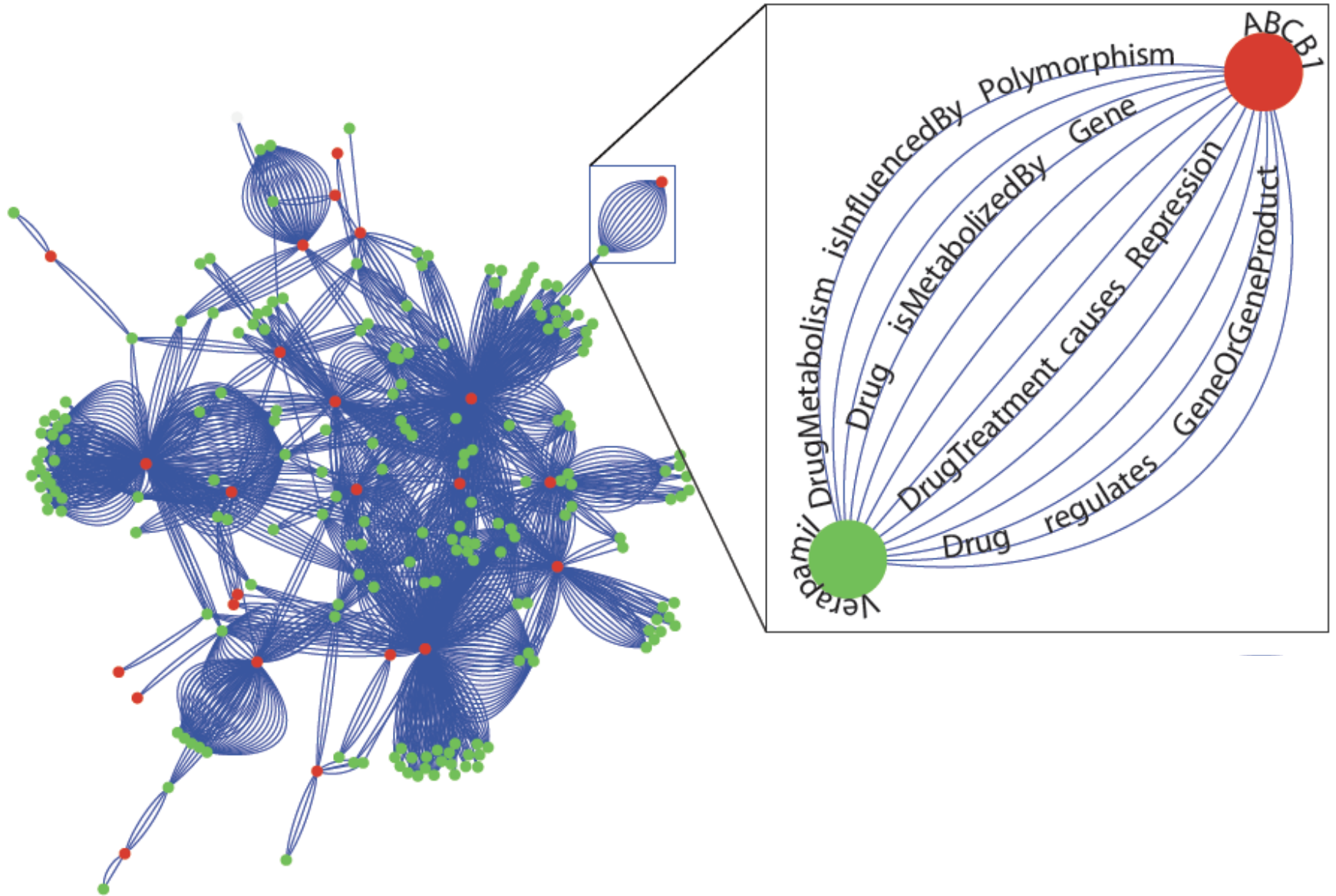


# Semantic network of 170,598 normalized gene-drug relations from PubMed abstracts.

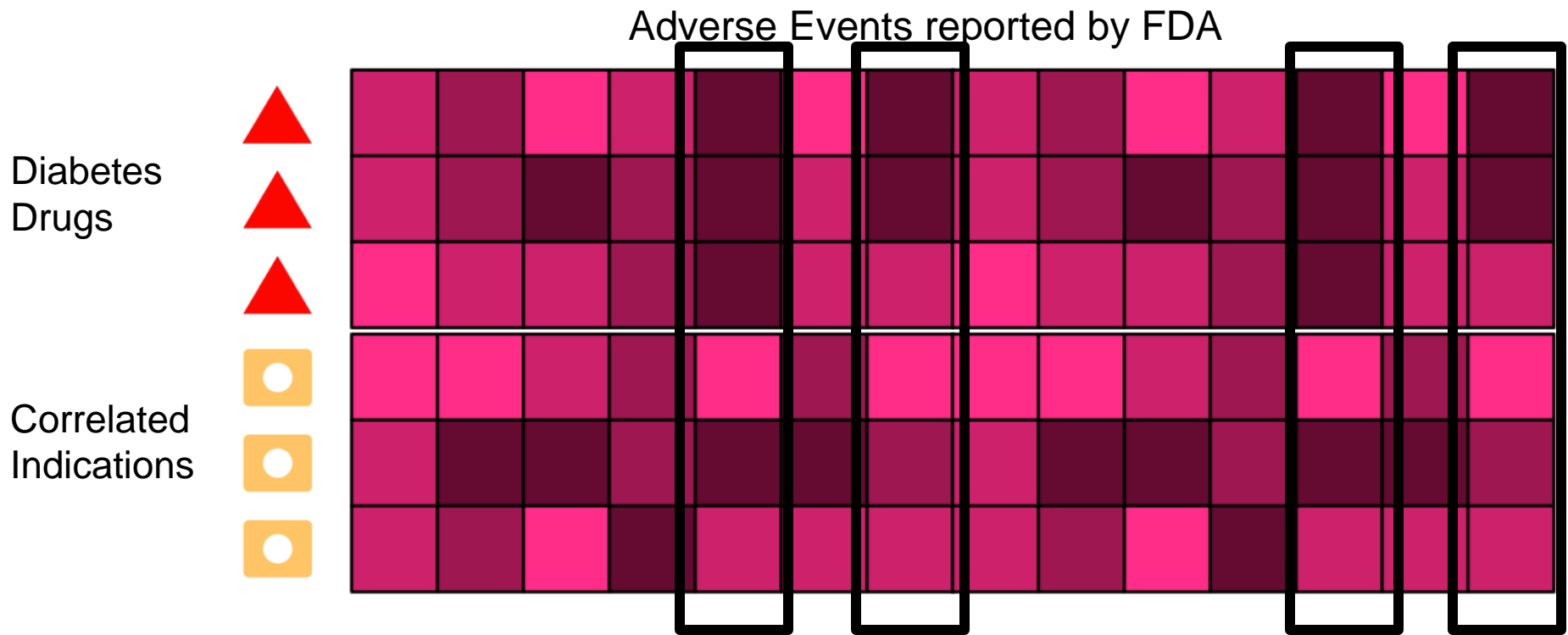




# ABCB1 gene and verapamil drug



# We built a statistical model able to recognize glucose-altering drugs based on their “adverse event signature”

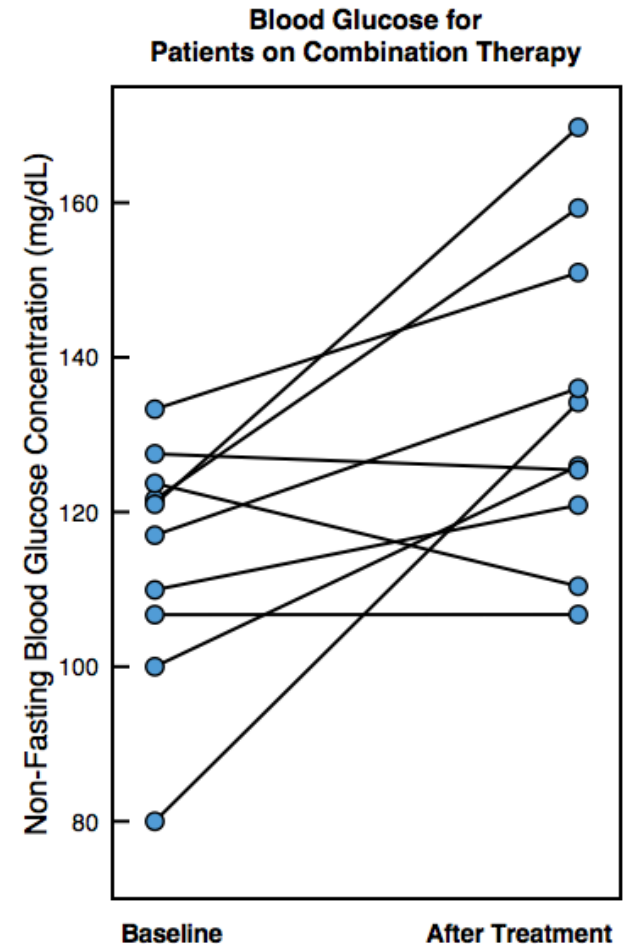


$F_{ij}$  = frequency of  $AE_j$  for Drug $_i$

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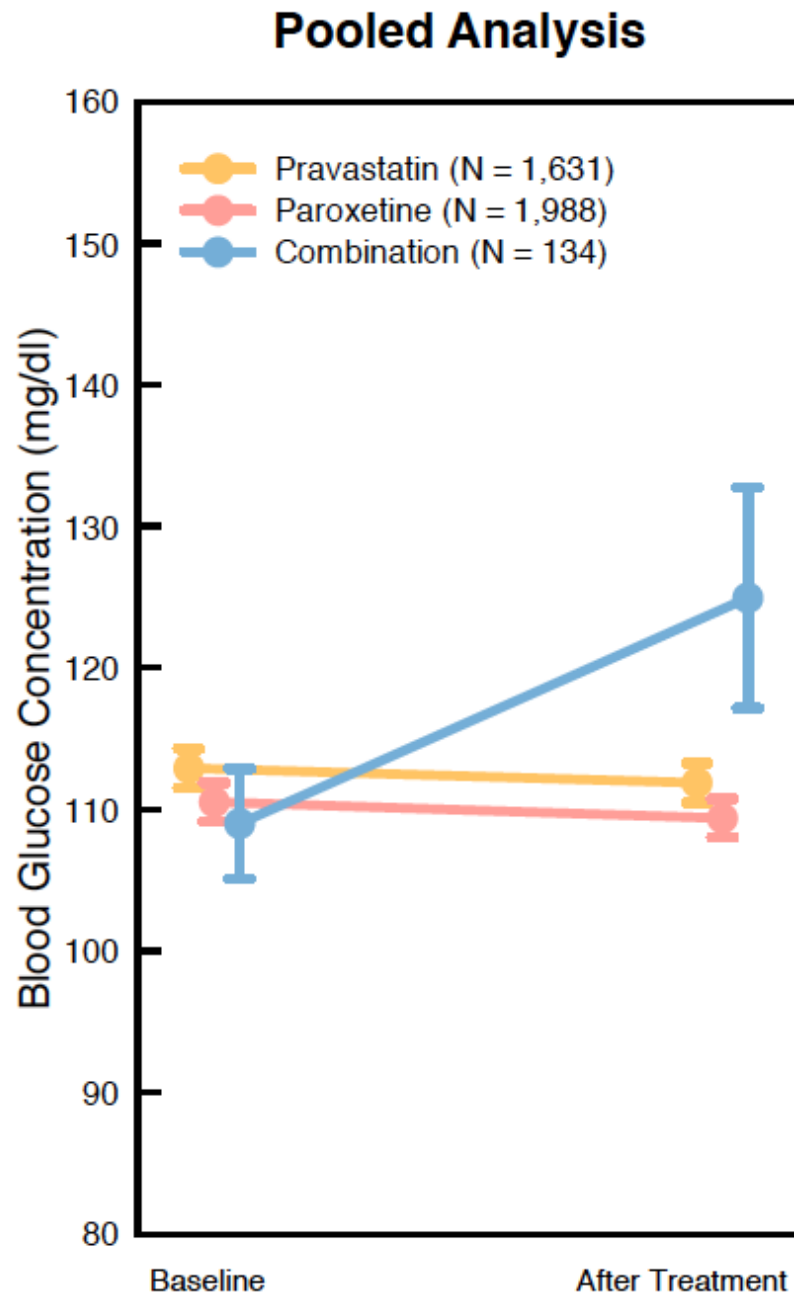
# Pravastatin and paroxetine significantly increase blood glucose by 20 mg/dl

Variable	Pravastatin and Paroxetine Combination
N	10
<b>Demographics</b>	
Age (mean $\pm$ SD)	59.9 $\pm$ 11.09
Gender (% Female)	90.0
Race (% of group)	
White	50
African American	20
Hispanic	0
Other	30
<b>Glucose (mg/dl mean <math>\pm</math> SD)</b>	
Baseline (base)	114.08 $\pm$ 14.79
After treatment(s) (post)	133.96 $\pm$ 19.54
<b>paired t-test (t: post - base)</b>	<b>0.020</b>
Change (base to post)	19.88 $\pm$ 21.04
N patients with increase	8 (80)

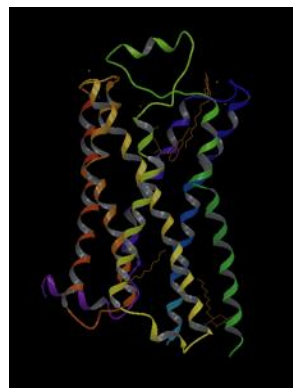




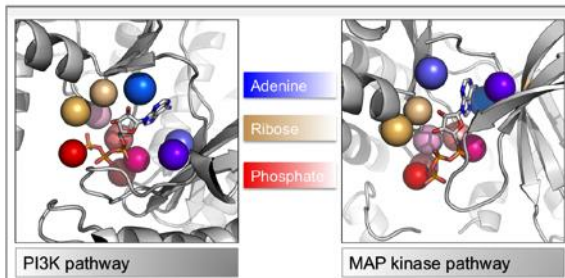
Combining all  
three sites



# Thus, the emerging network for drugs....

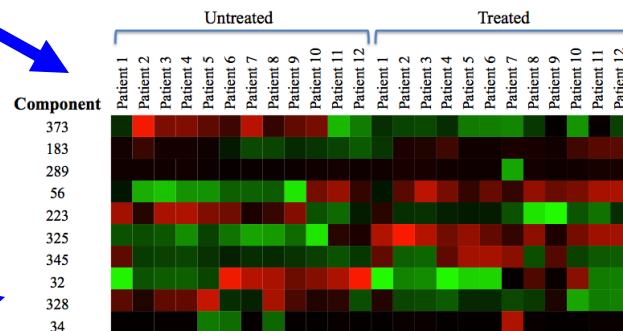


Target structure & dynamics

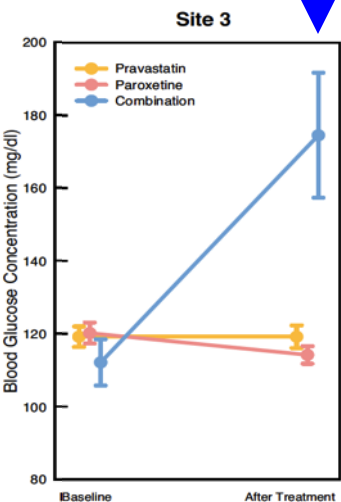
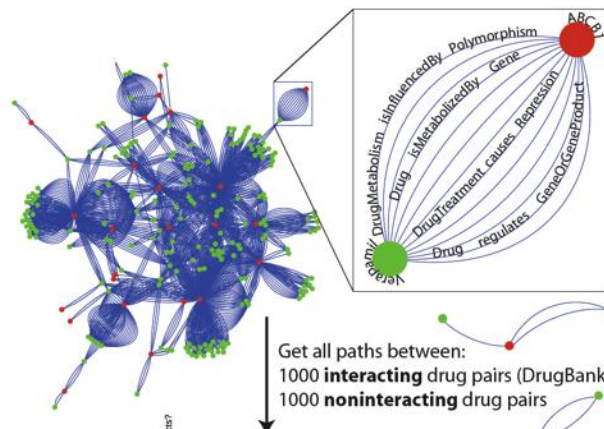


Drug recognition & binding

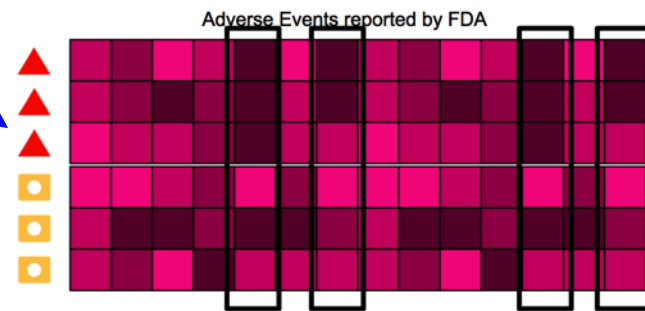
Cellular response & pathways



Text mining of gene, drug, phenotype associations

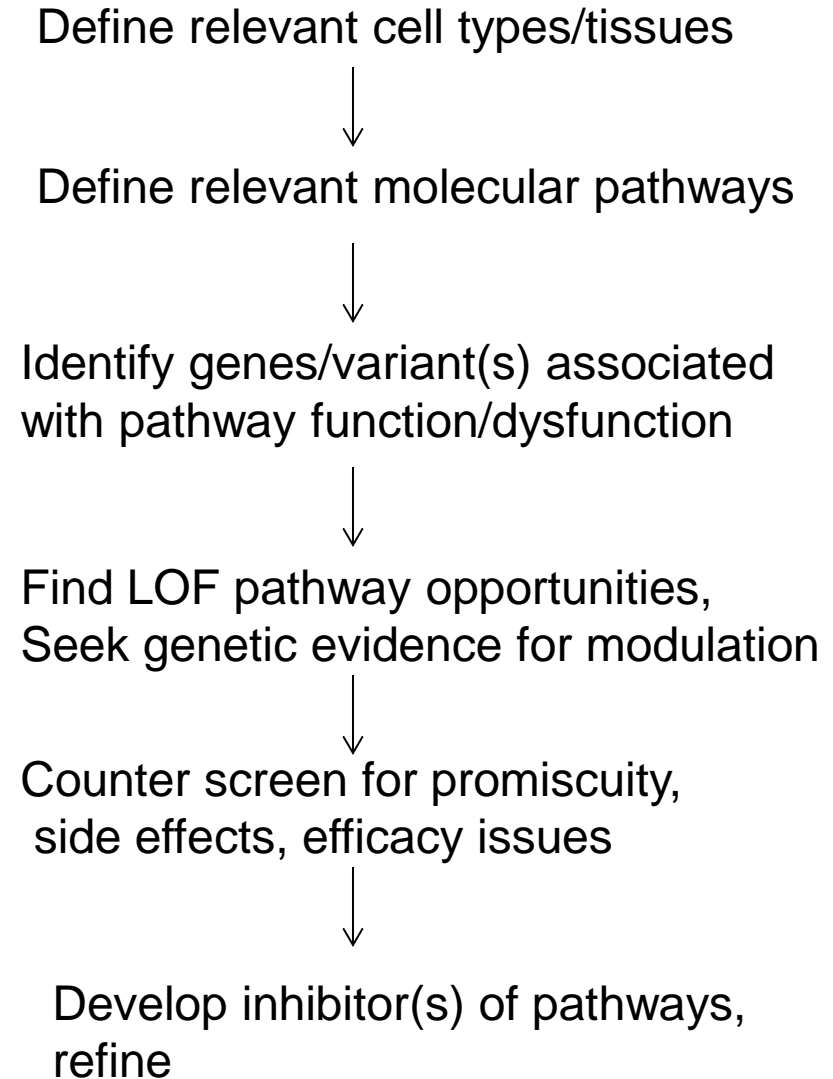
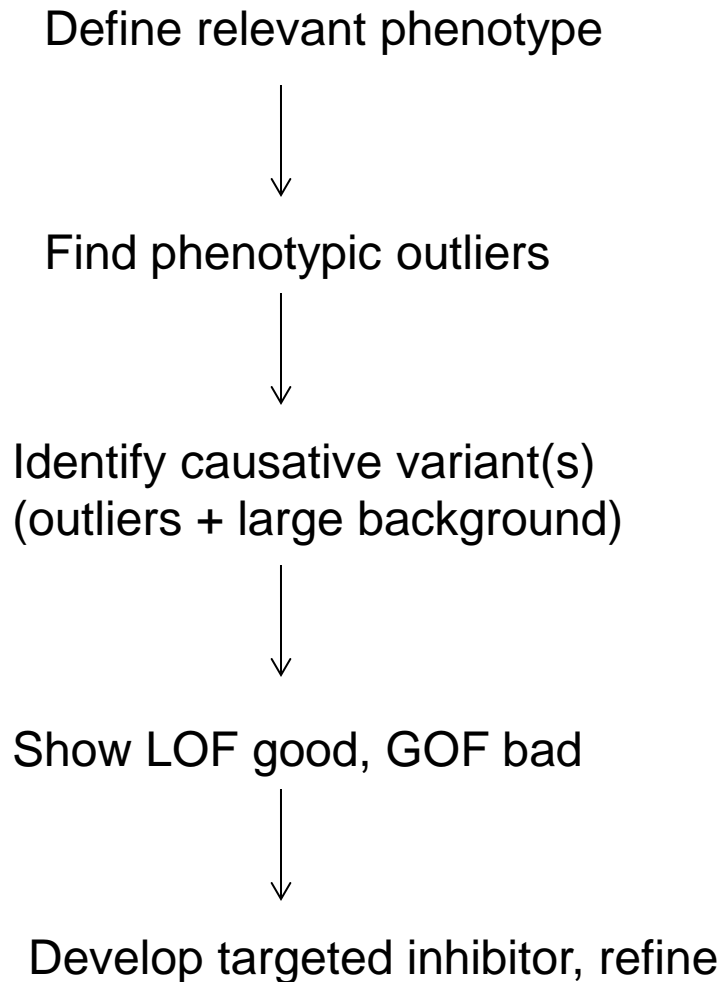


Clinical response datamining



Population effect reporting

# PCSK9 has inspired, but exceptional?



# Challenges

1. 3D structures of human proteins to understand drug promiscuity/network effects (+affects of variation)
2. Gene expression response of tissues to drug exposures for promiscuity/network effects (+affects of variation)
3. Tissue-specific model systems to test pathway modulation
4. Large genetic cohorts to understand gene tolerance for mutation and GOF/LOF response of pathways.

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