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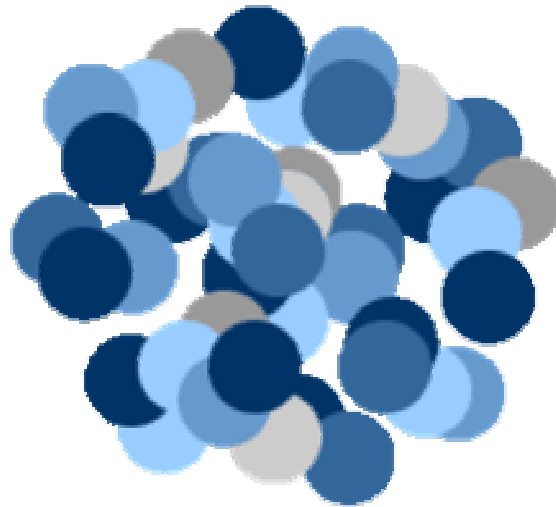
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RNA in Drug Development

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**Ribonomics, Inc. leverages SYSTEMS BIOLOGY
to discover and develop
novel therapeutic opportunities**



We exploit the cell's own organizational scheme for gene expression to map disease pathways

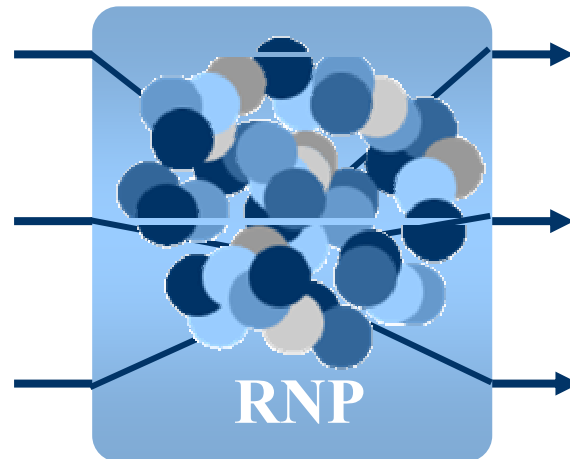
RBPs: A Systems Biology Tool

Transcriptome

mRNA₁

mRNA₂

mRNA₃



Proteome

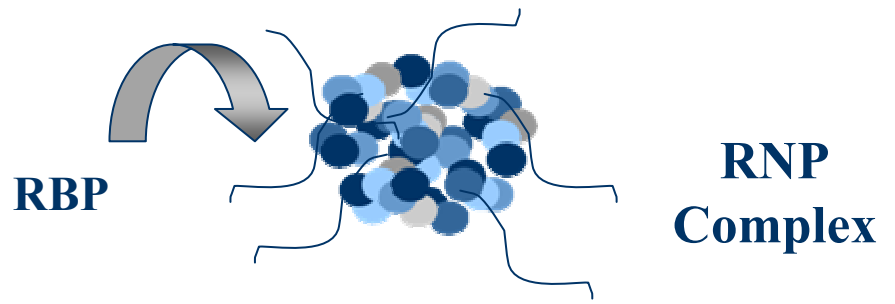
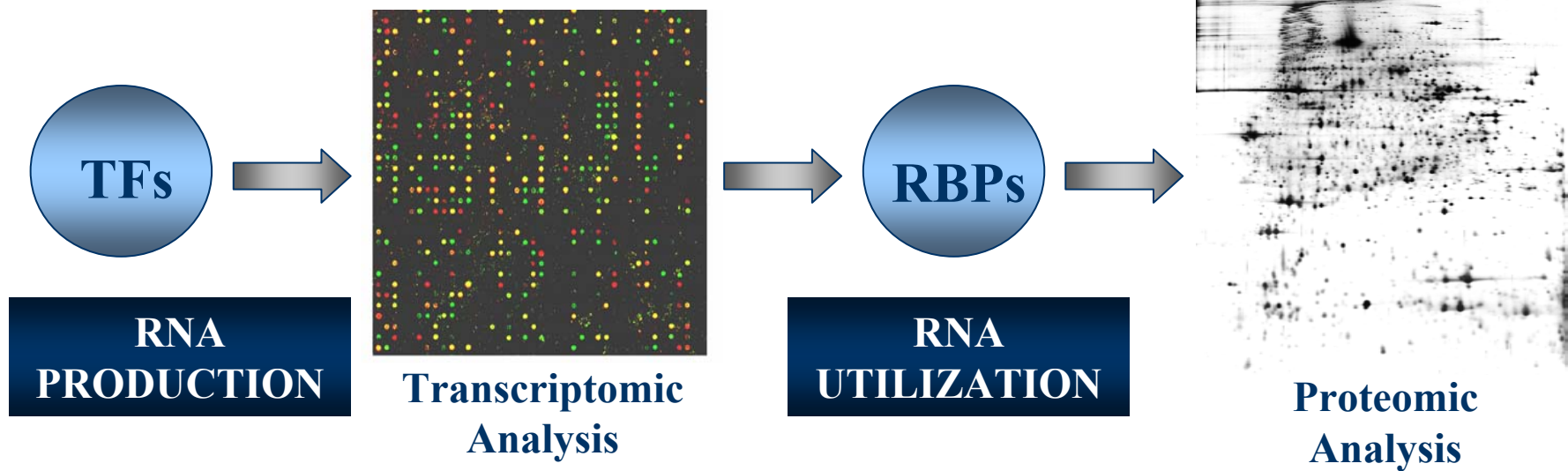
Protein₁

Protein₂

Protein₃

RNA Binding Proteins create functional clusters of genes

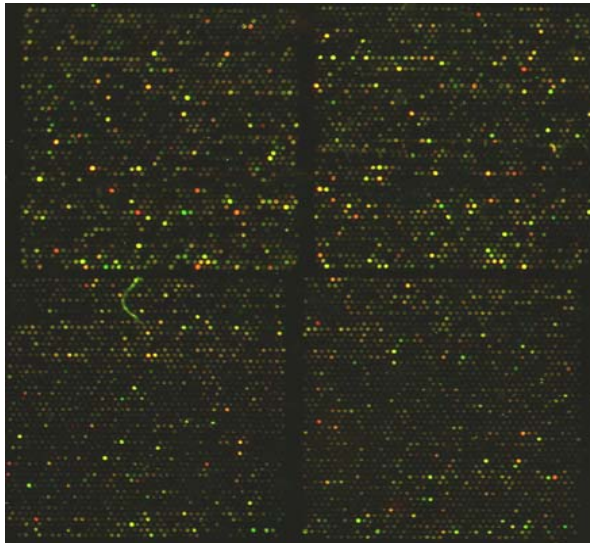
Transcription Factors and RNA Binding Proteins



The transcriptome is an unreliable predictor of the proteome

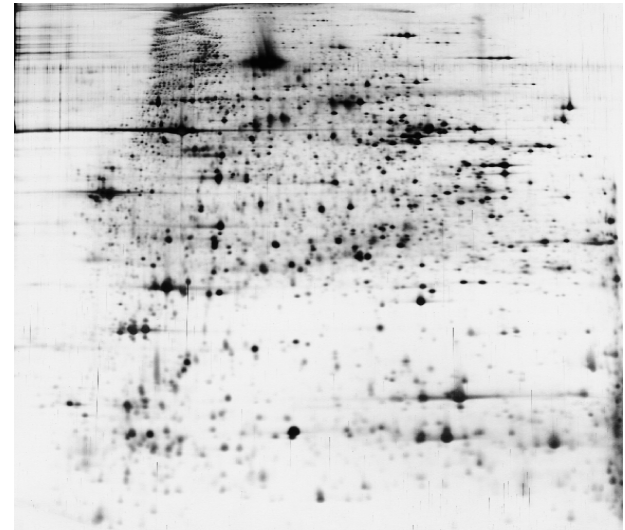
Mol Cell Biol 19:1720, 1999; Science 292:929, 2001

Total RNA measurements



e.g. Microarray analysis

Total Protein measurements



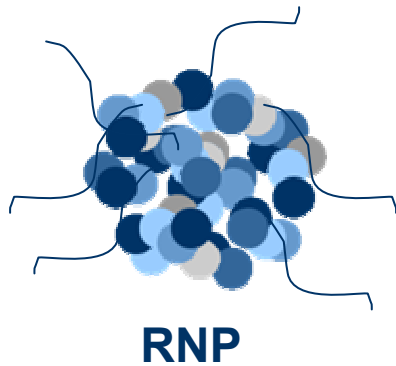
e.g. 2-D gel Proteomic analysis



Steven P. Gygi, Yvan Rochon, B. Robert Franza, and Ruedi Aebersold
Correlation between Protein and mRNA Abundance in Yeast
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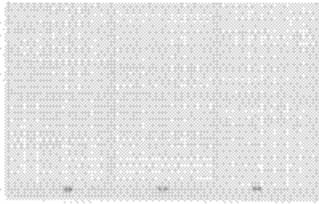
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Integrated Genomic and Proteomic Analyses of a Systematically Perturbed Metabolic Network Science 2001 May 4; 292: 929-934.

Post-Transcriptional Control of Gene Expression by RBPs

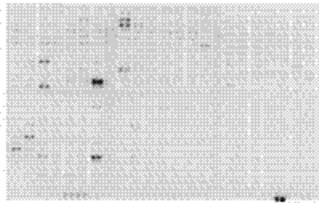


- Splicing
- Transport
- Subcellular localization
- Translation
- Stability

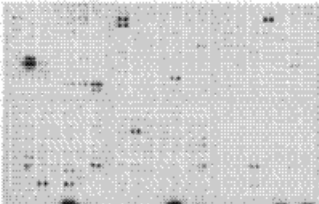
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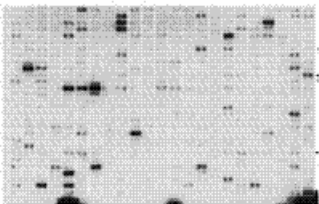
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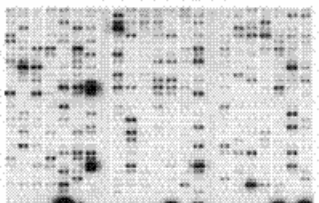
C eIF-4E mRNP



D PABP mRNP



E Total RNA



a b

a b

a b

a b

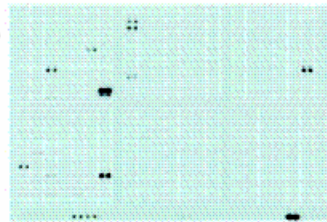
Untreated

RA Treated

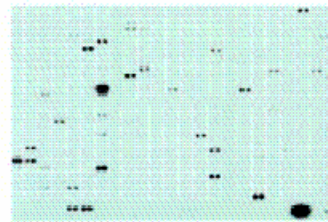
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HuB mRNP Complex

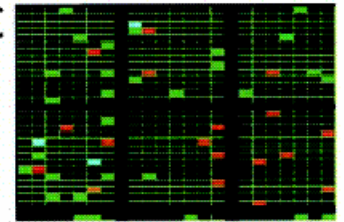
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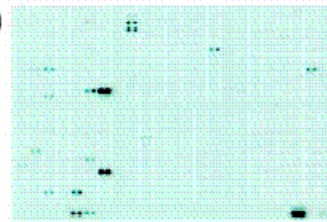


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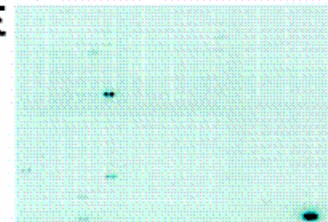


HuA mRNP Complex

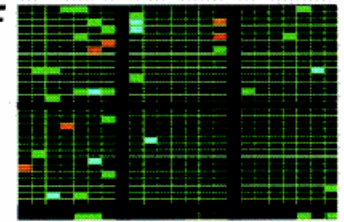
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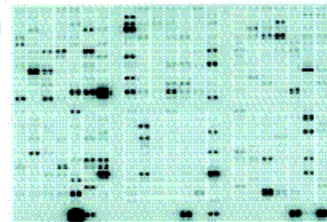


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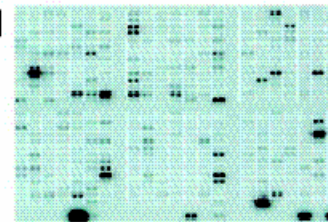


Total Cellular RNA

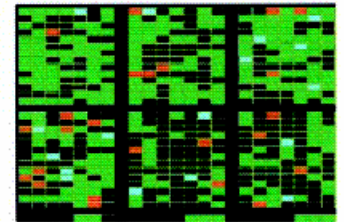
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Tenenbaum, Carson et al., PNAS 97:14085, 2000.

Functional RNP Clusters

- **IRON REGULATION**
- **HISTONES**
- **FRAGILE X-SYNDROME**
- **IMMEDIATE EARLY RESPONSE GENES**
- **RIBOSOMAL PROTEIN GENES**
- **AZOOSPERMIA**

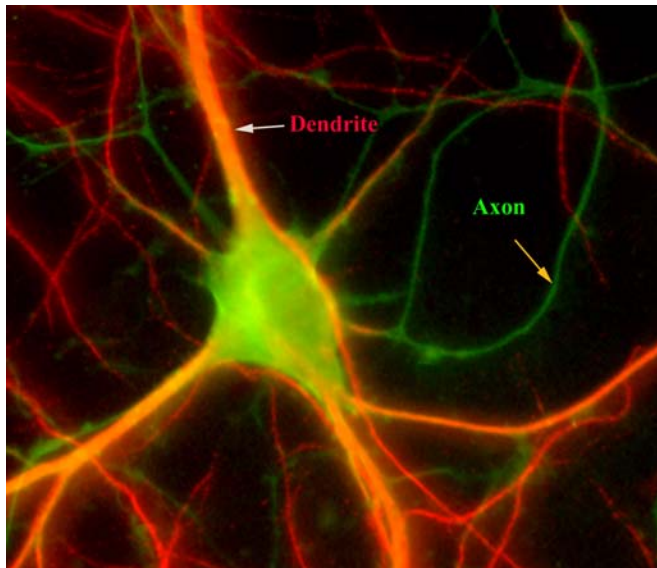
Iron Regulation

IRP Functional Cluster

<u>GENE</u>	<u>Element</u>	<u>Function</u>
Transferrin Receptor	3'IRE	Fe ²⁺ Import
Ferritin	5'IRE	Fe ²⁺ Storage
Ferroportin	3'IRE	Fe ²⁺ Export
ELAS (erythroid 5-aminolevulinic acid synthetase)	5'IRE	Porphyrim biosynth
Mit Aconitase	5'IRE	Citric Acid cycle
DMT-1	3'IRE	Fe ²⁺ Import

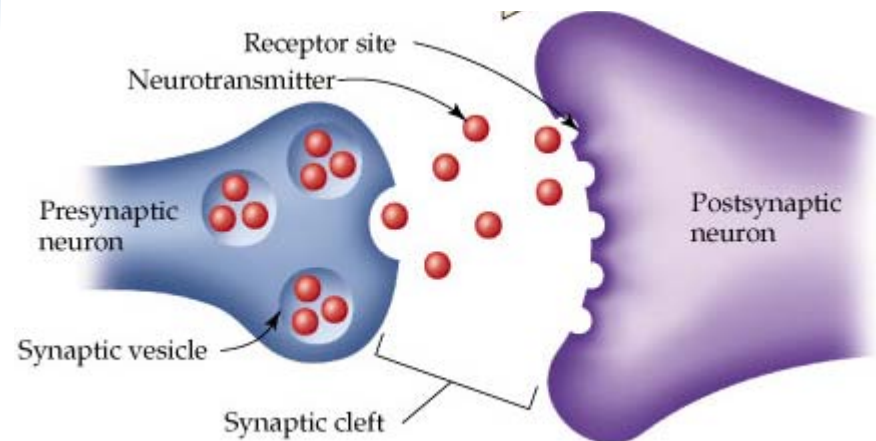
Functional Clusters Validated

RNP cluster important for neuronal differentiation



PNAS, Vol. 97, 14085-14090, 2000

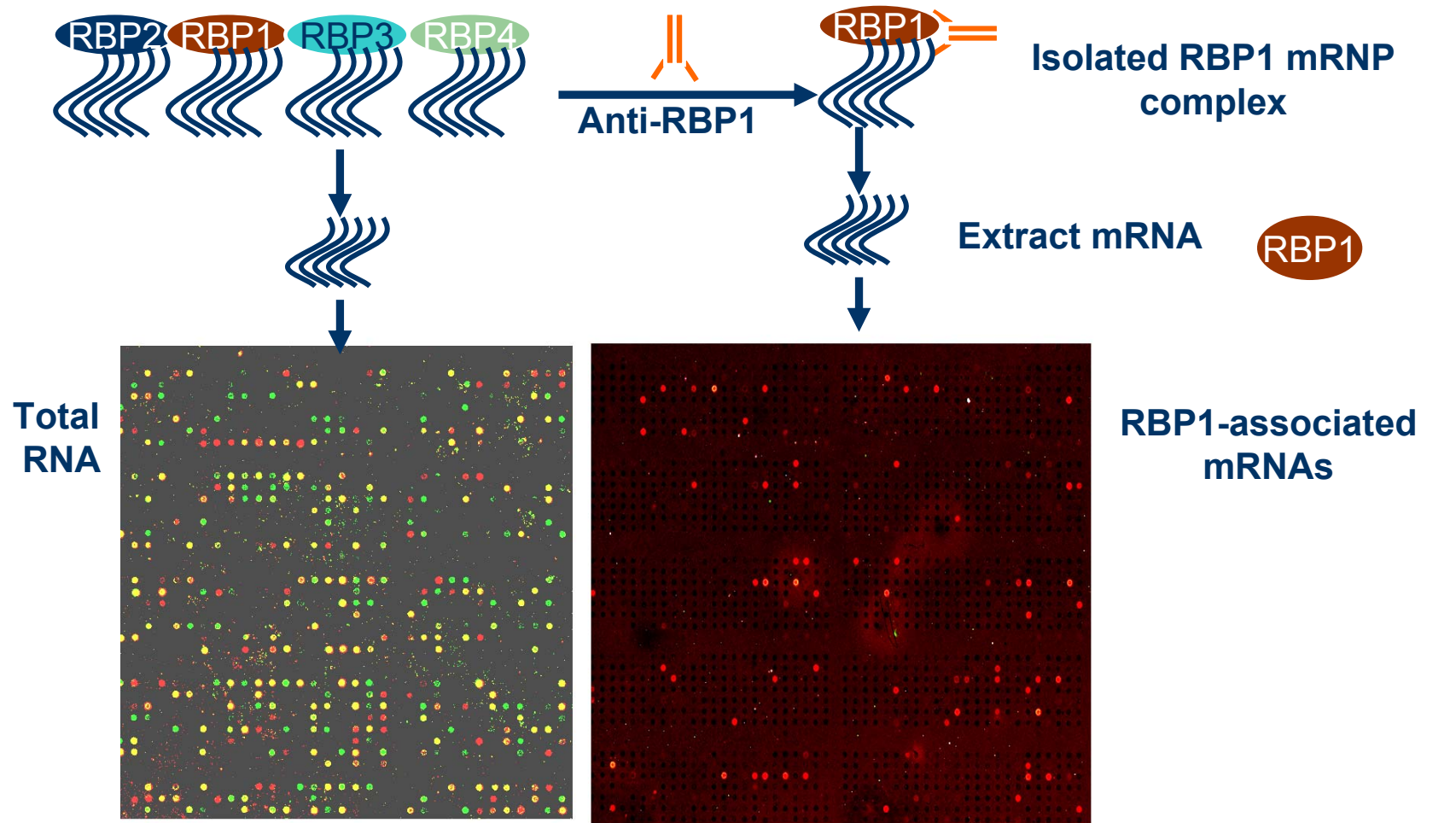
RNP cluster localizes translation for synaptic signaling



Cell, Vol. 107, 477-487, 2001

Ribonucleoprotein complexes regulate the flow of genetic information between the genome and the proteome

RAST™: Ribonomic Analysis System



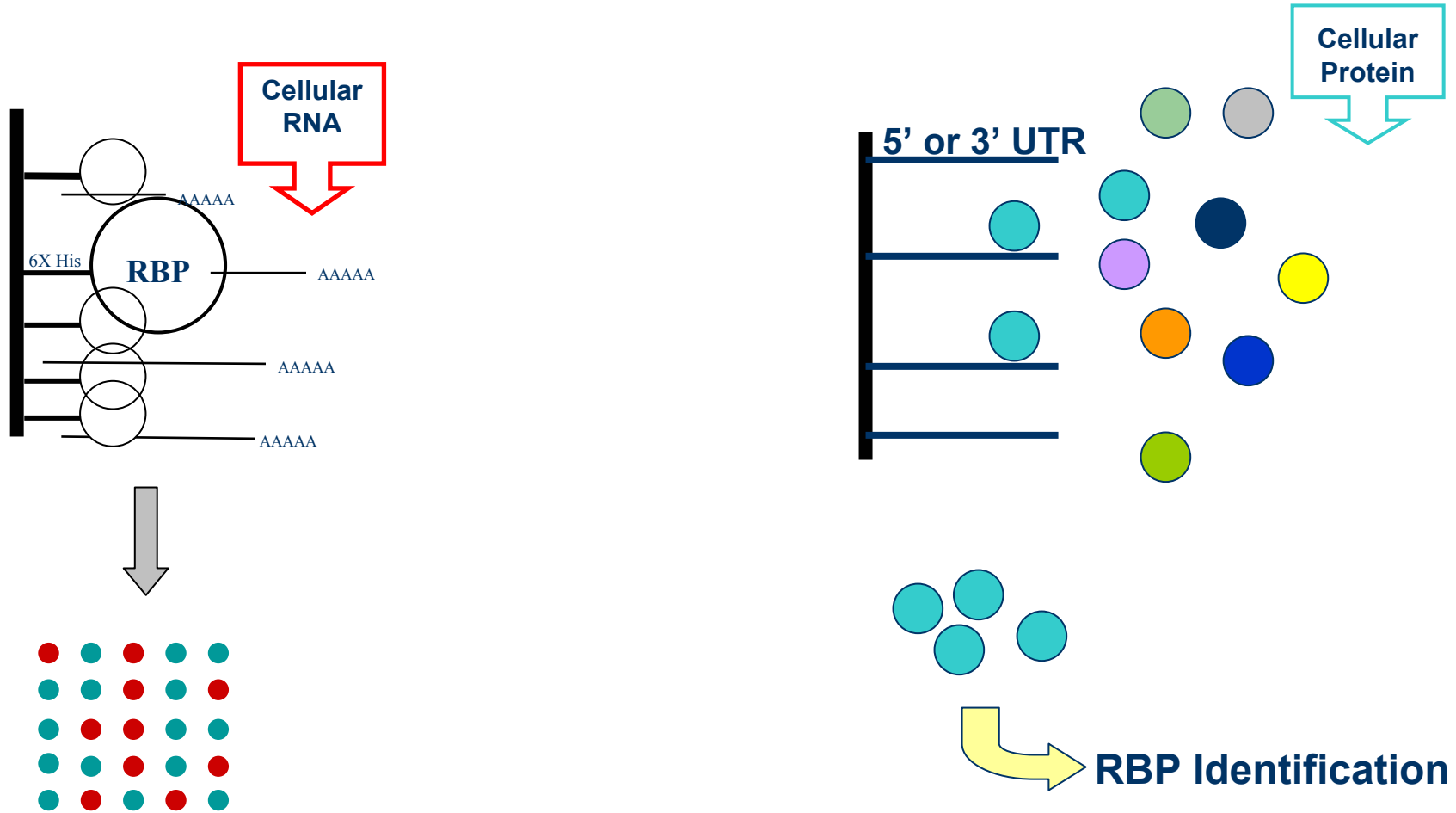
Total RNA

- Global view of transcriptome
- Low sensitivity
- Complex Data Sets

RBP1-associated mRNAs

- Enriched subset of mRNAs
- Higher Sensitivity
- Focus--Simplifies Data sets
- Are coordinately regulated
- Many in same pathway, i.e. 'functionally related'
- Identify Novel Components

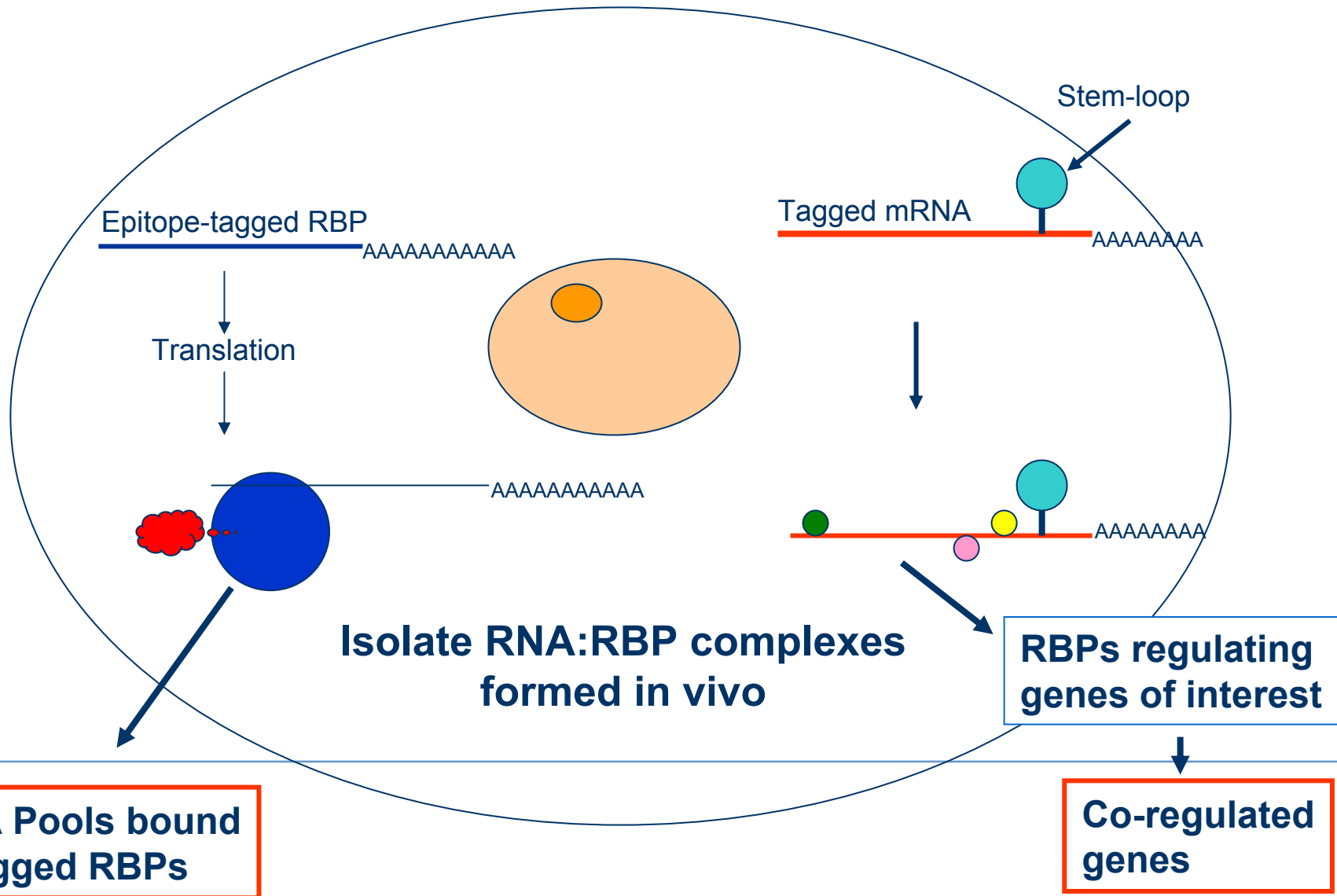
Ribo Tags and Traps: *In Vitro*



Tagged RBP Traps the mRNA pool

Tagged RNA Traps the RBP

Ribo Tags and Traps: *In Vivo*



Largest Gene Families

Nature 409:860, 2001

<u>Family</u>	<u>Human</u>	<u>Fly</u>	<u>Worm</u>
Ig domains	765 (1)	140 (9)	64 (34)
C2H2 ZF	706 (2)	357 (1)	151 (10)
Pr. Kinase	575 (3)	319 (2)	437 (2)
Rho-like GPCR	569 (4)	97 (14)	358 (3)
P-Loop	433 (5)	198 (4)	183 (7)
Rev Transc	350 (6)	10 (65)	50 (41)
RRM domain	300 (7)	157 (6)	96 (21)
G-Pro WD-40	277 (8)	162 (5)	102 (19)
Ankyrin	276 (9)	105 (13)	107 (17)
Homeobox	267 (10)	148 (7)	109 (15)

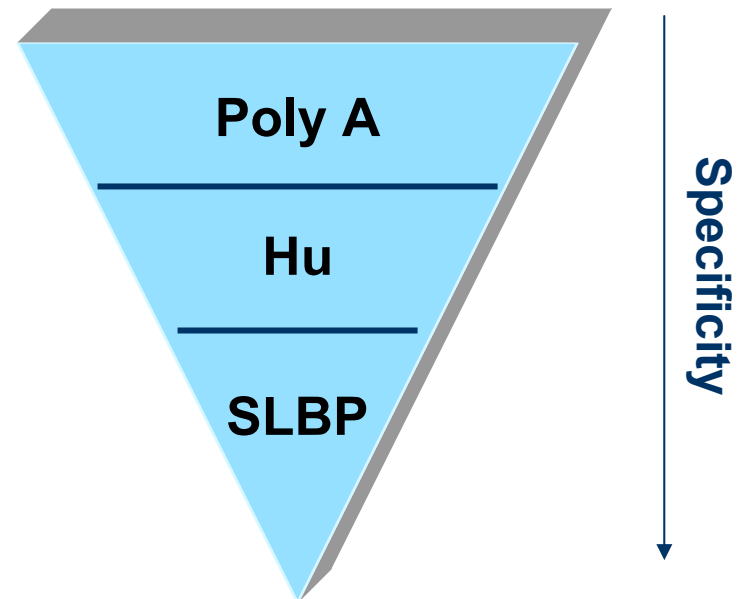
Overview of mRNA Binding Proteins

• Types

- Global
 - PolyA binding protein
- Group
 - Hu Family
- Type
 - Histone SLBP

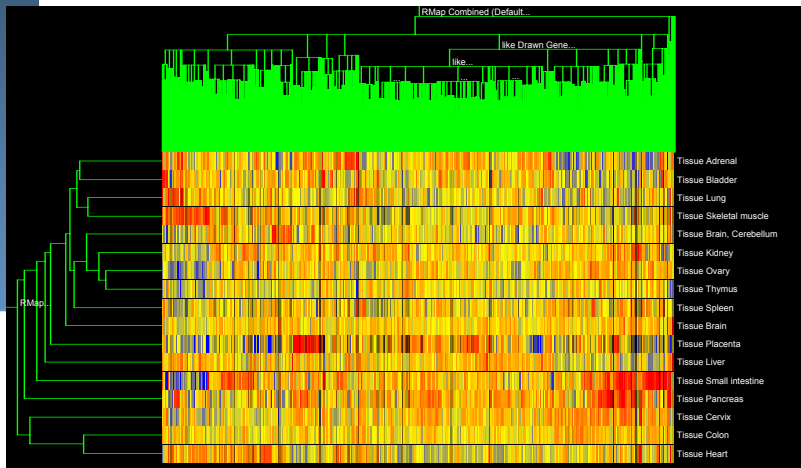
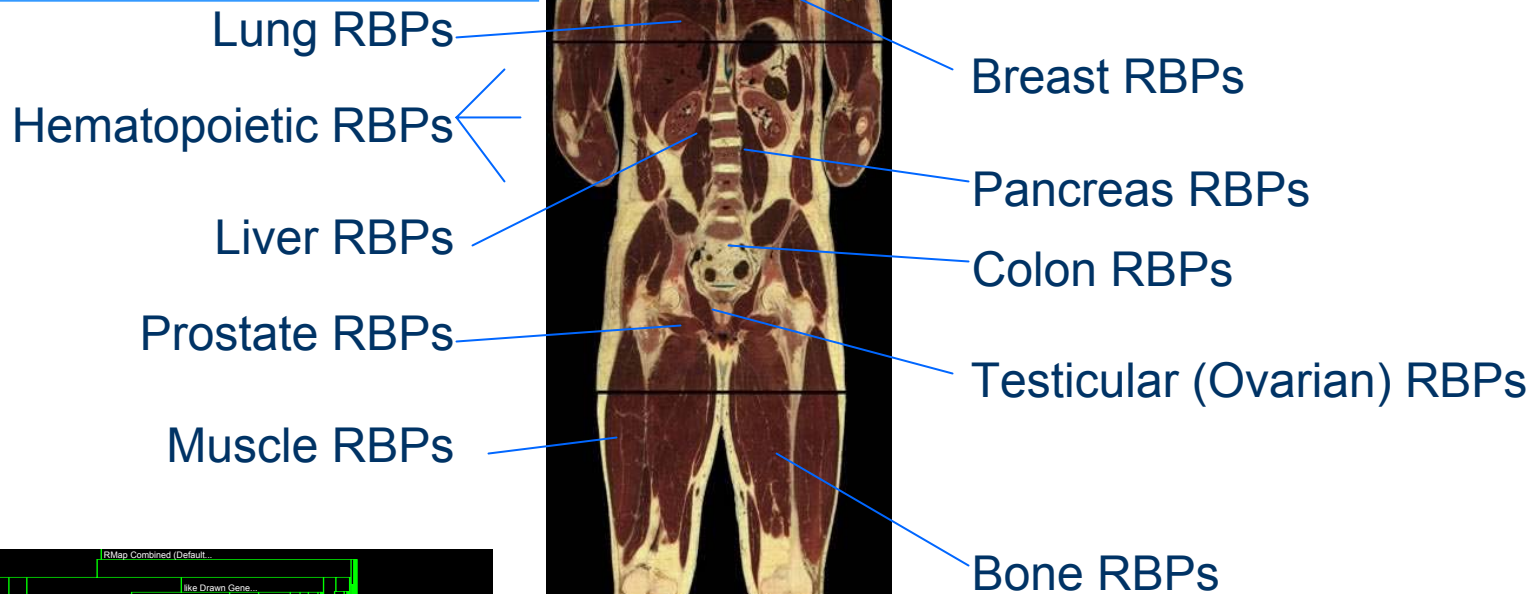
• Examples of RNA binding motifs

- RNA Recognition Motif (RRM)
- hnRNP K Homology Domain (KH Domain)
- Arginine-Glycine Domain (RRG)
- Pumilio Domain
- Helix-Loop-Helix Zinc Binding Domain

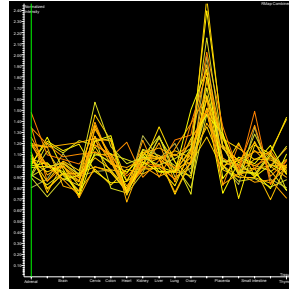
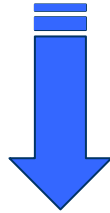


RBPMap

Identification of Tissue and Disease Specific RNPs



Tissue and Disease Specific RNPs



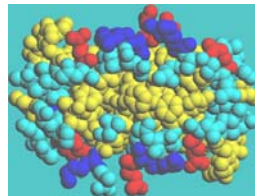
Target Discovery

Toxicogenomics

INTERNAL APPLICATIONS

Diabetes

Glucose Response Pathways
Insulin Secretion

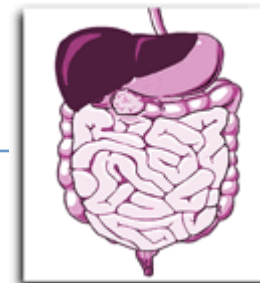


- RNP Sentinels
e.g. Liver Toxicity
- Drug Screening



Obesity

Satiety
Adipocyte Differentiation and
insulin response pathways



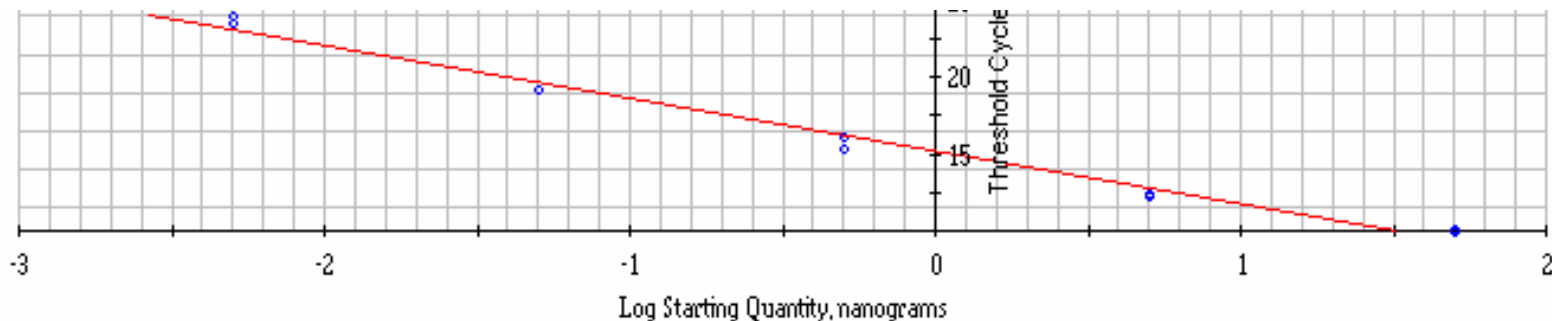
Tissue and Disease Specific RBPs

- Expression Mapping
 - Quantitative PCR
 - Microarray Analysis
 - Northern Analysis
 - Western Analysis
- Normal and Disease Tissues

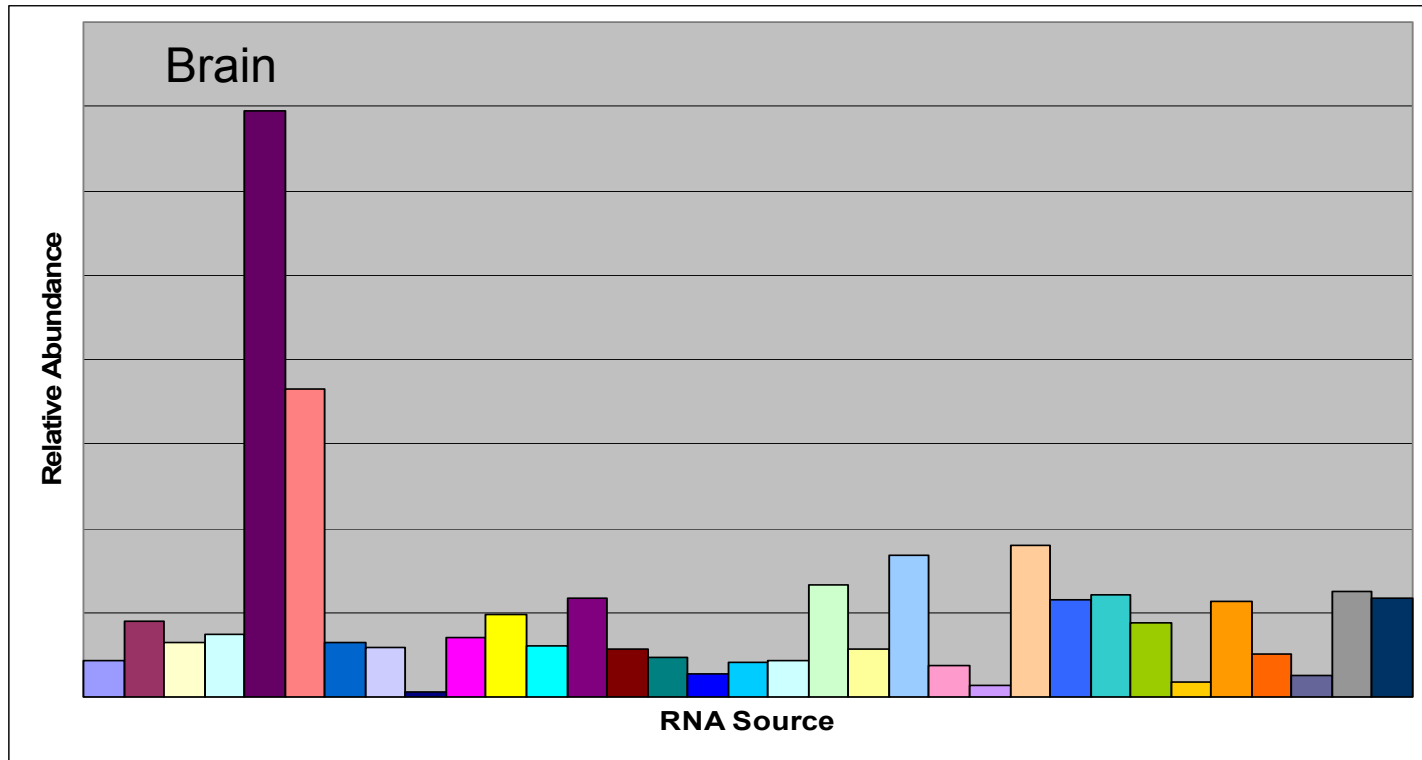
Gene Expression Analysis using Real-Time Quantitative PCR

- Gold standard for quantification of nucleic acid
 - Basis is exponential amplification of nucleic acid
 - Sensitive to 1 copy
 - Highly specific for mRNA(s) of interest
 - Quantitative
 - Robust
 - Properties enable robust quantitative comparison of mRNA content across biological samples

The Same Data: Linear Quantification Over 5 Orders of Magnitude

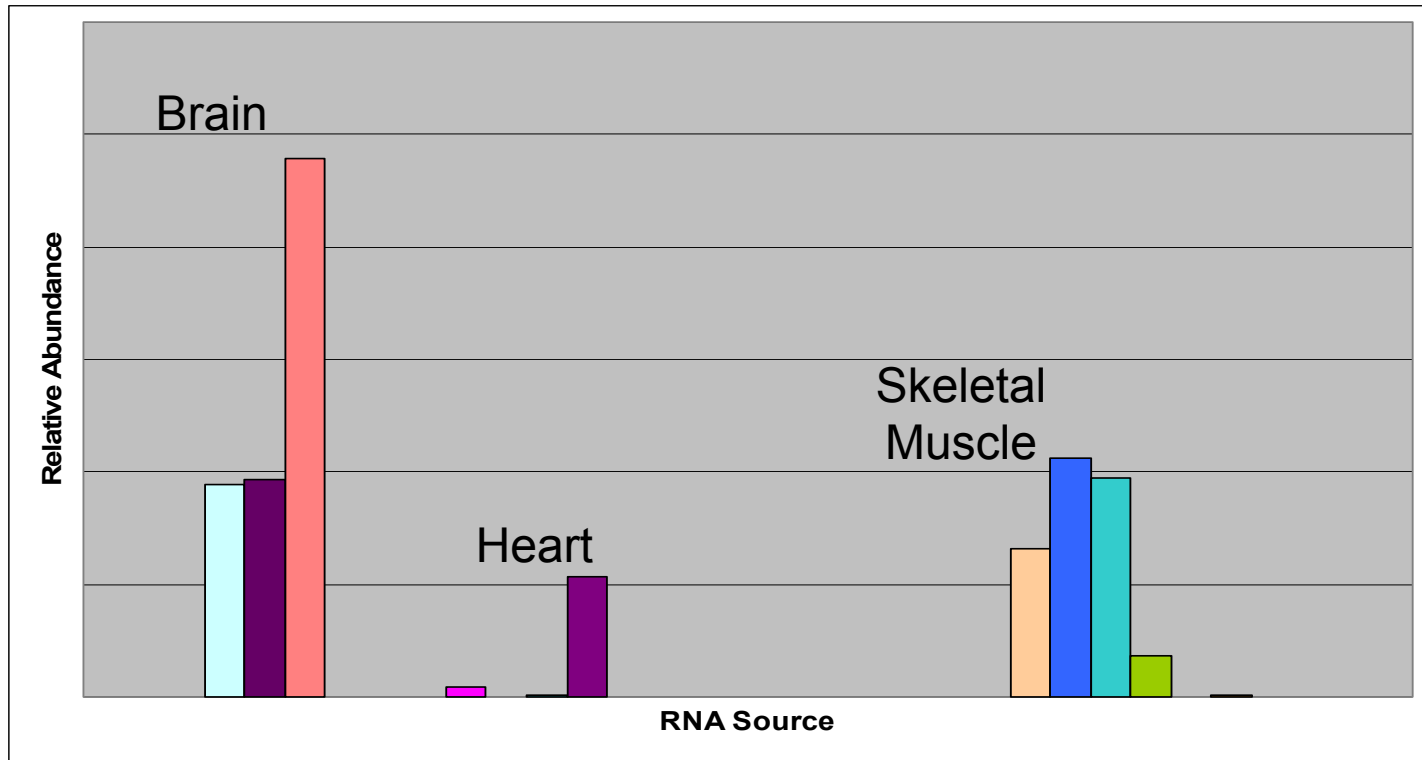


Example of Specific Expression



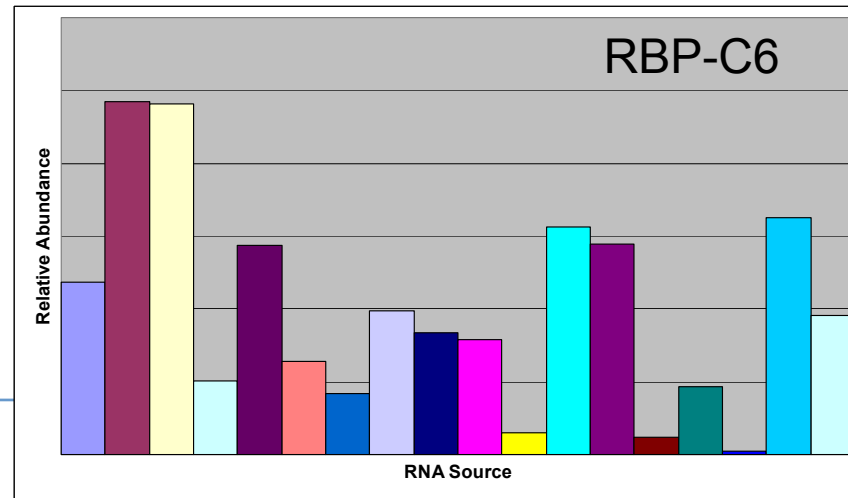
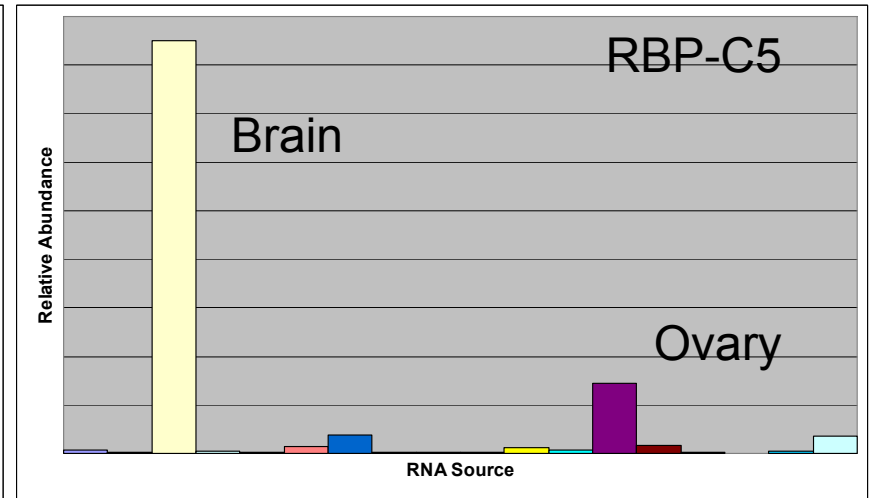
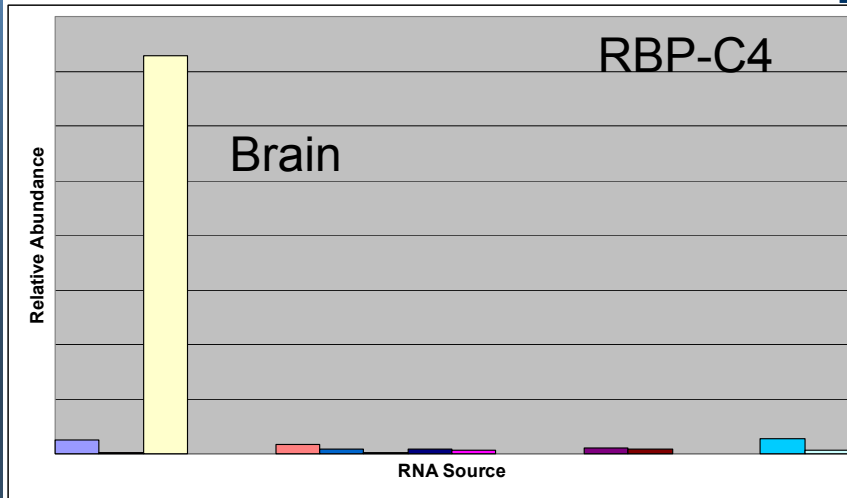
Q-PCR Screening

Example of Selective Expression



Q-PCR Screening

Members of RBP Families Exhibit Distinct Expression Patterns



Q-PCR Screening

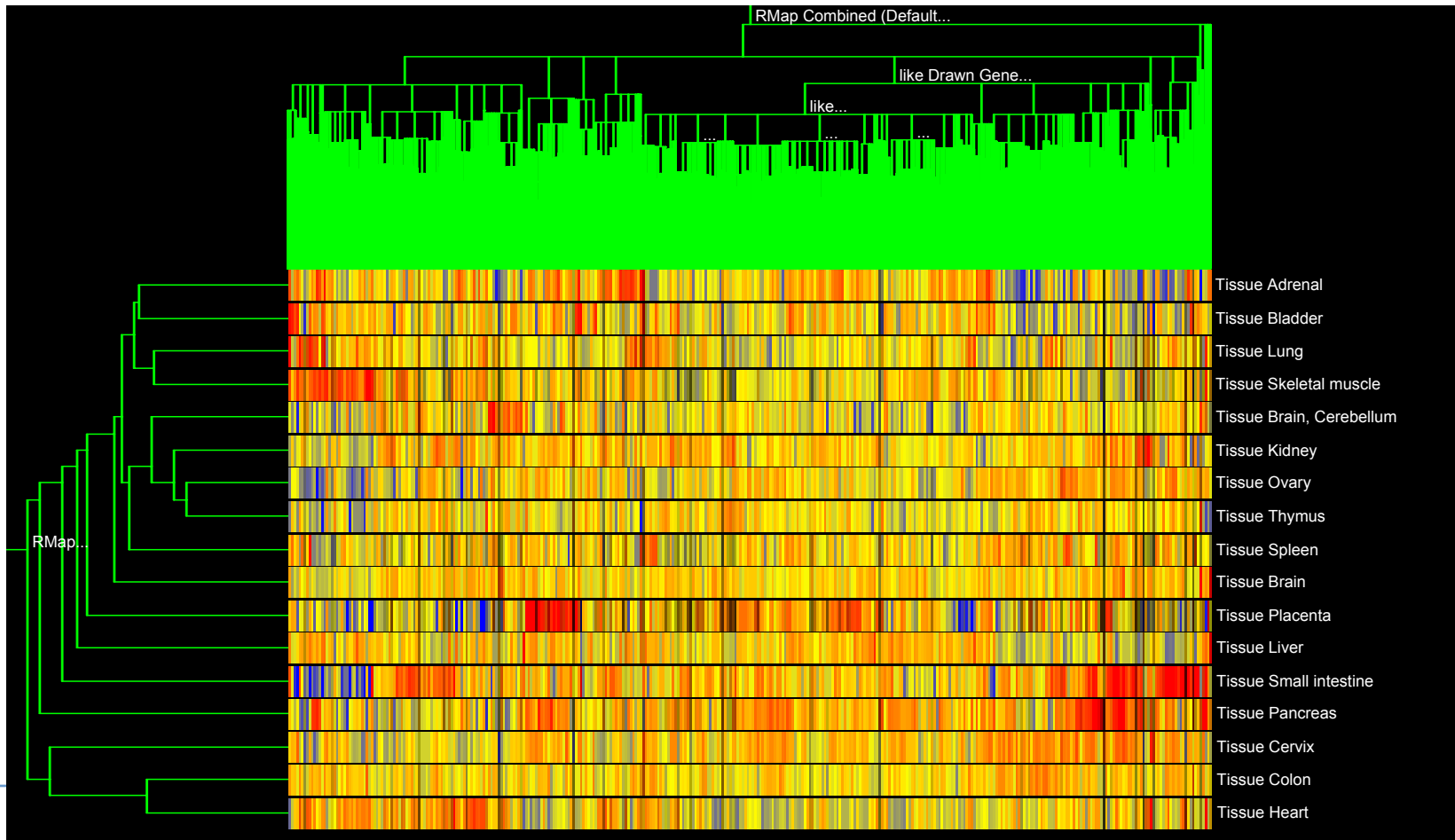
RBP Gene List Fabrication

- Extraction from public resources
 - Known (annotated) RBPs
 - GenBank, LocusLink, UniGene, GO (Gene Ontology)
 - Homology-based identification
 - pFAM, SCOPE, BLAST
 - Literature Mining
- Cross-referencing and family expansion
 - Unknowns, splice variants, etc.
- Homolog Extraction
- RiboChip v.1
 - Human (1469 features)
 - Mouse (1302 features)
 - Rat (712)

Many RBP genes not present or not annotated on commercial arrays

RBP_{MAP}

Tissue Distribution of RNA Binding Proteins

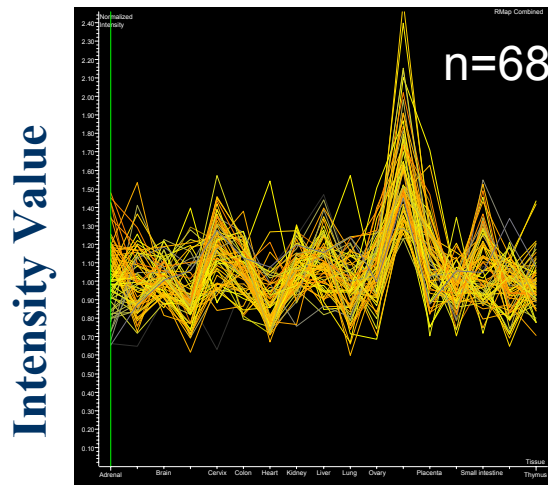


Pancreas-Specific RBP Expression

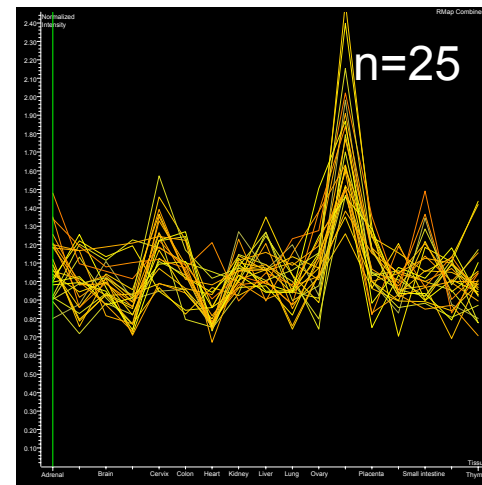
Correlation Coefficient

0.98

0.985

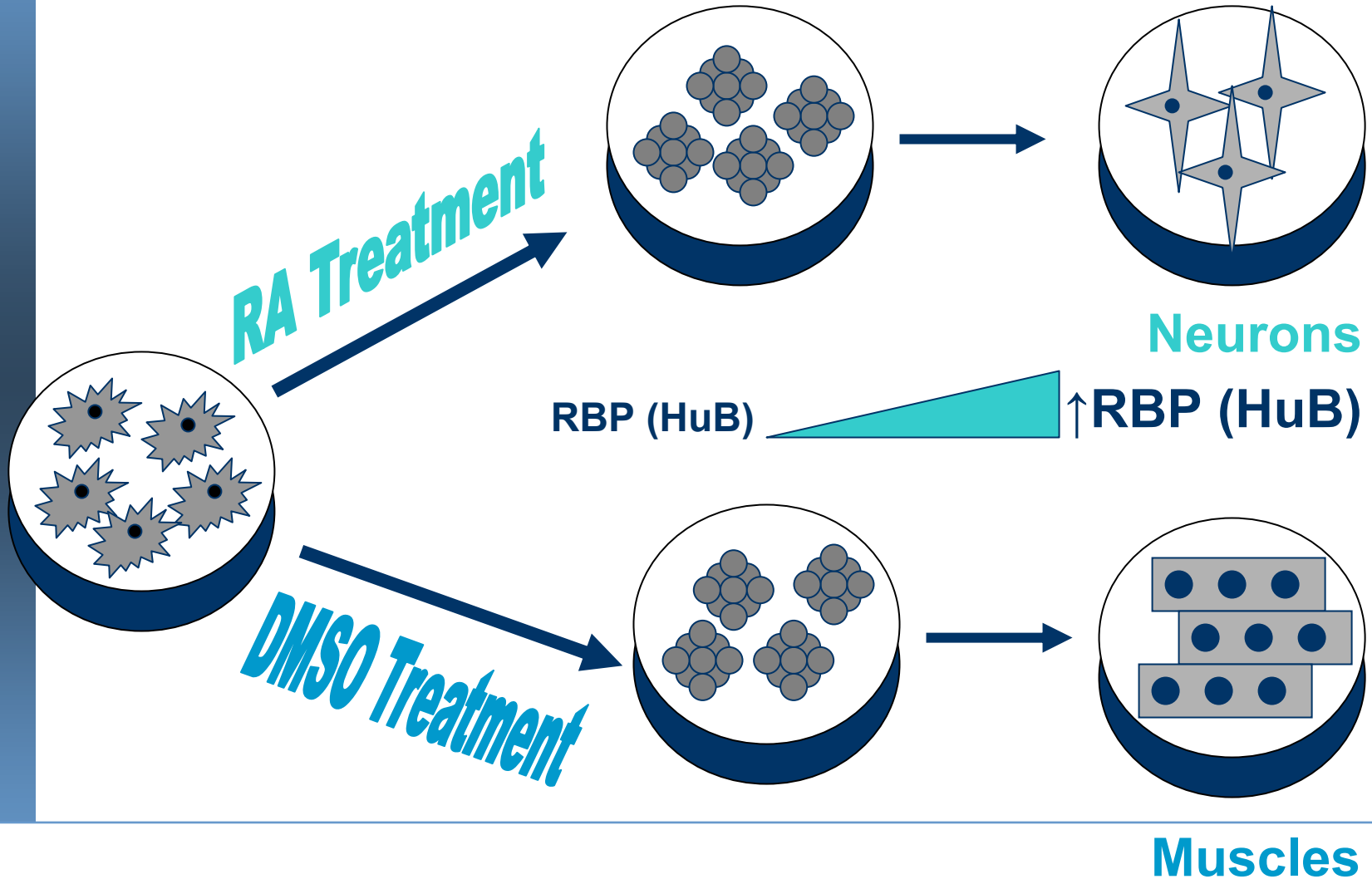


Tissues



Tissues

P19 Neuronal Differentiation Model



HuB is required for neuronal development:

J. Cell Sci. 109: 579, 1996; PNAS 96:9885, 1999

14,000 genes on Chip



10,000 genes expressed



**1,072 genes in
mRNP pellet**



Gene Class	Number Detected in Total RNA	Number Detected in HuB Complex
Kinases	275	27
Phosphatases	148	43
Proteases	137	14
Receptors	87	14
Cytokines	143	39
Growth Factors	87	20

Simplifying Gene Expression Data

Genes upregulated in RNP w/o change in Totals (n=20)

RA/Undiff RA/Undiff

RNP

Total RNA

Protein Name

↑ 17x

nc

EST

↑ 15x

↑ 1.9x

EST

↑ 15x

↑ 1.9x

Signaling Protein

↑ 14x

nc

Ion Channel



↑ 9x

nc

Receptor



↑ 9x

nc

RBP



↑ 8x

nc

Steroid regulated protein

↑ 7x

nc

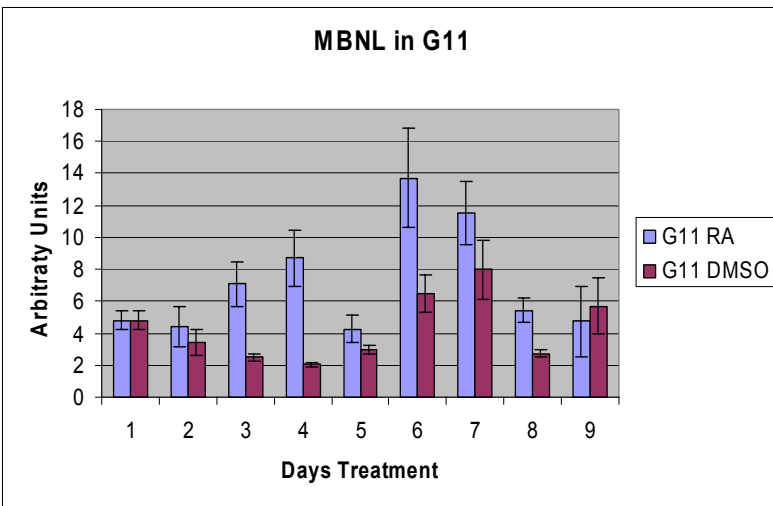
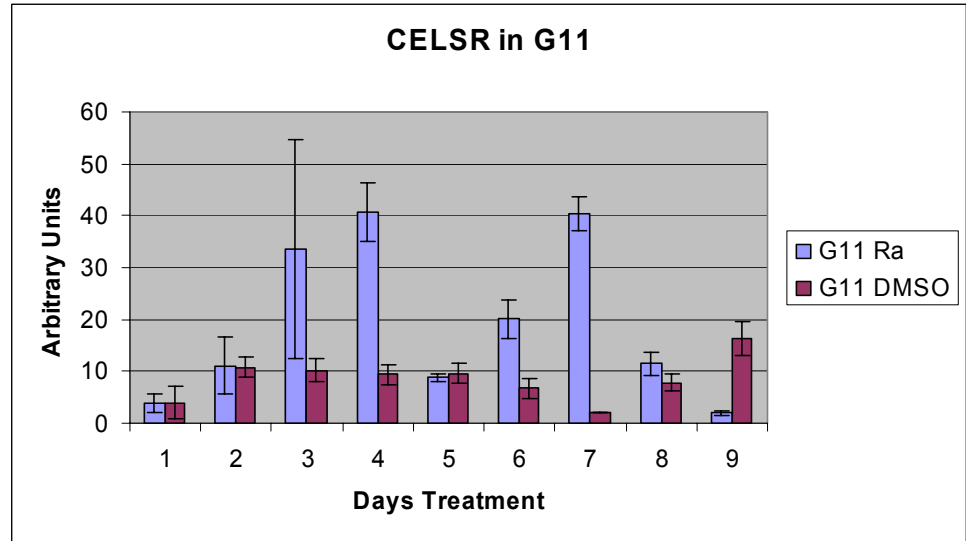
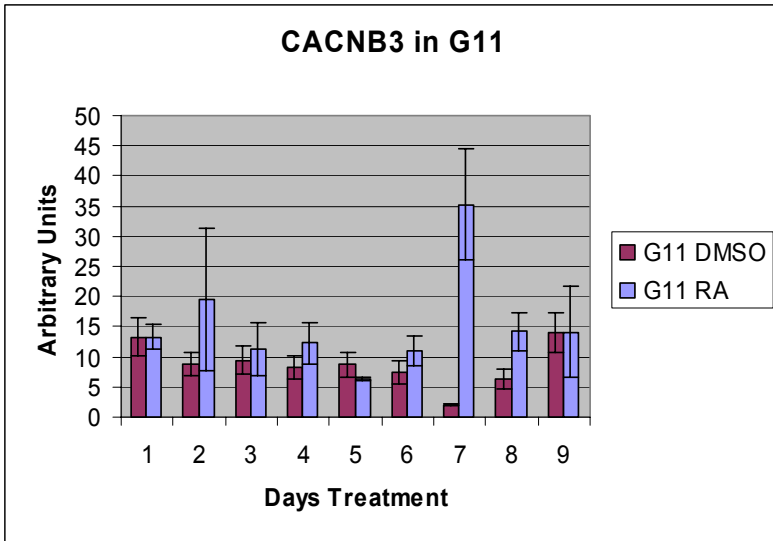
TCA cycle



↑ 6x

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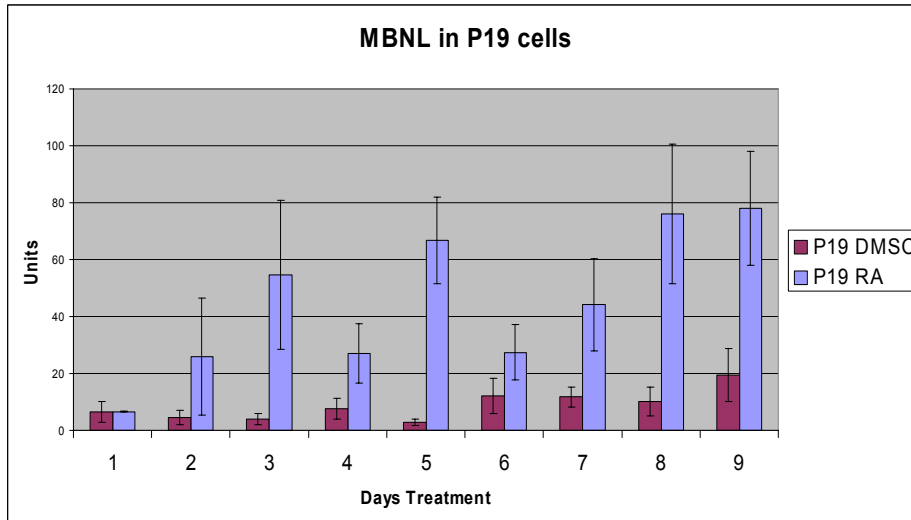
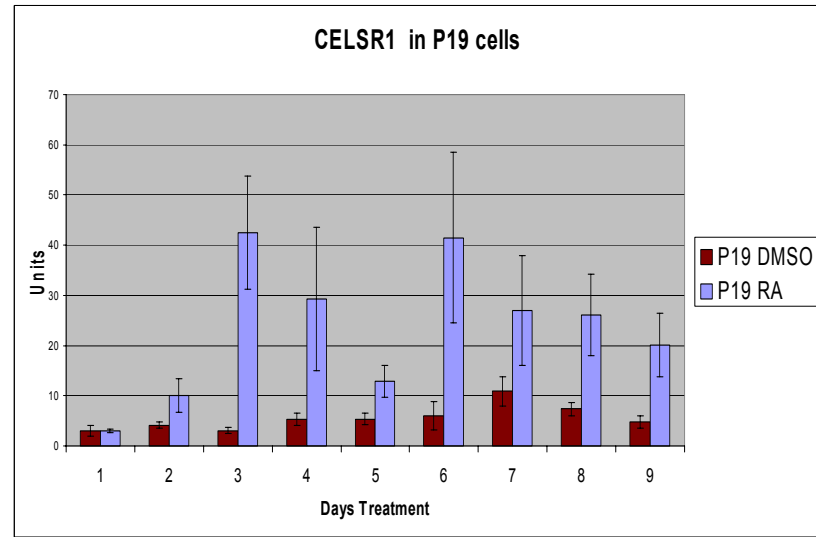
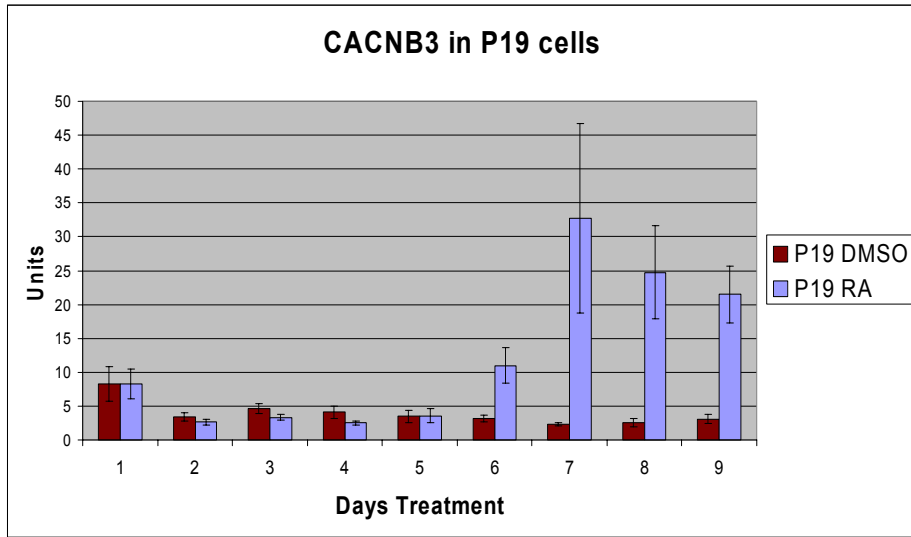
Motility receptor







 RA neuronal differentiation
 DMSO muscle differentiation

QPCR Analysis During Neuronal and Muscle Differentiation in G11 cells



 RA neuronal differentiation
 DMSO muscle differentiation

QPCR Analysis During Neuronal and Muscle Differentiation in P19 Parental Cells

Obesity Target Discovery in Primary Adipocytes

Pre-adipocyte and Adipocyte
(lean and obese human)



RBP Expression Analysis



Identify RBPs enriched in Adipocytes
(identification of RBPs dysregulated in obese patients)

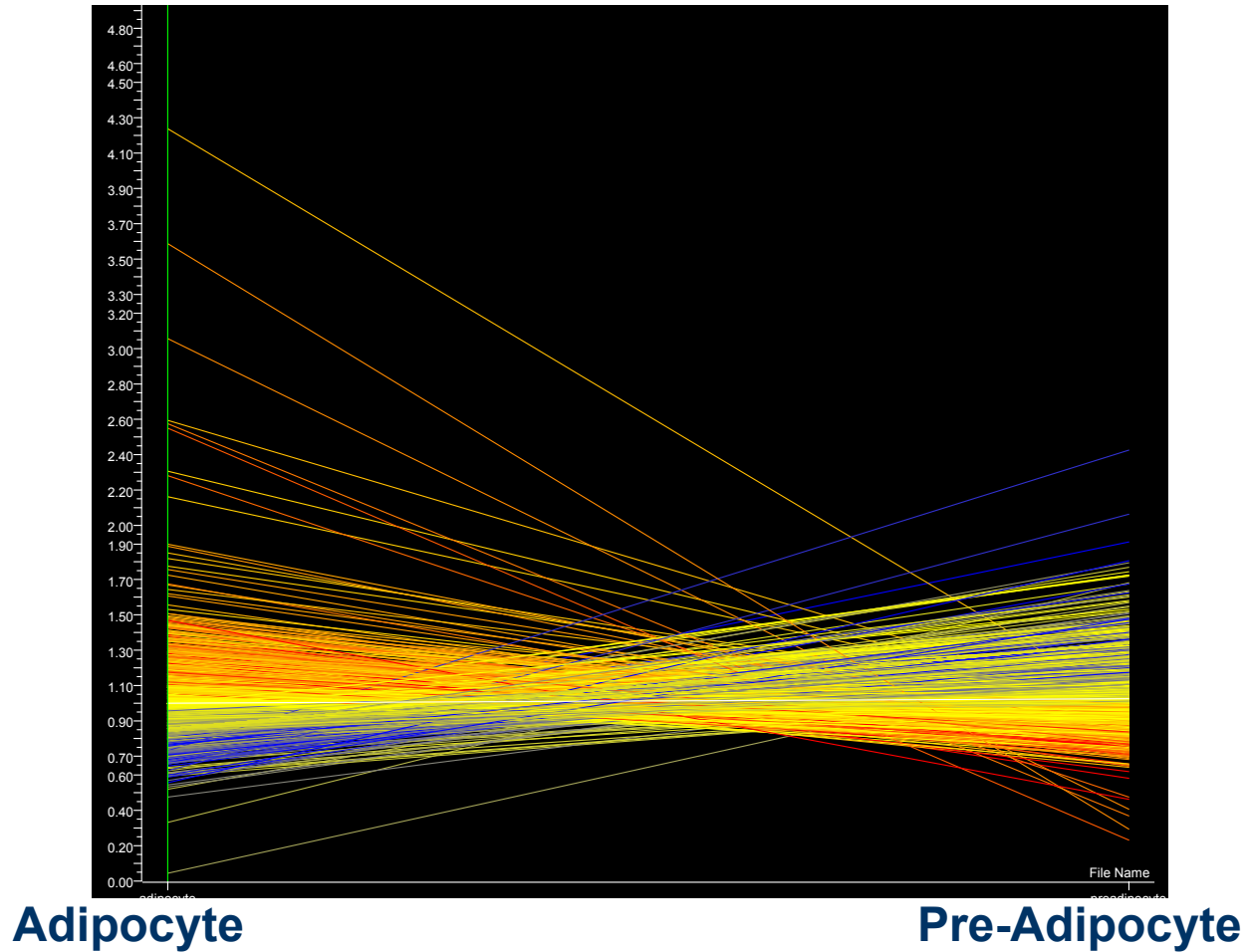


Effects of Insulin and β 3-Agonist on RBPs enriched in Adipocytes



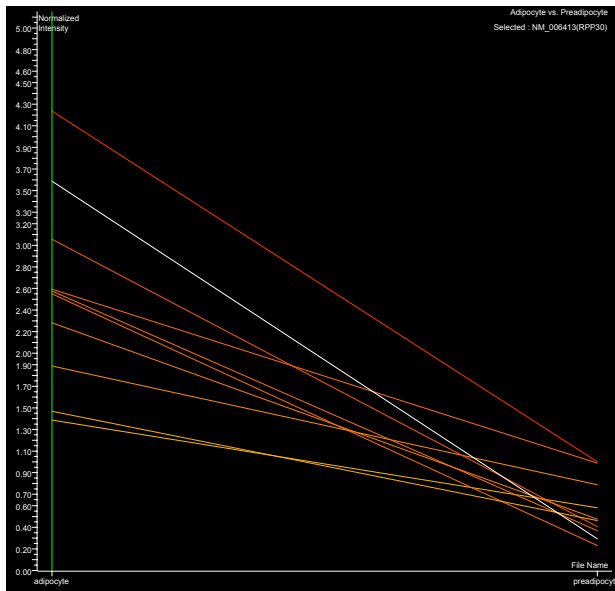
*Validation of RBPs and move forward into RASTM
for functional cluster and pathways analysis*

RBPs in Differentiating Human Adipocytes



RBPs in Differentiating Human Adipocytes

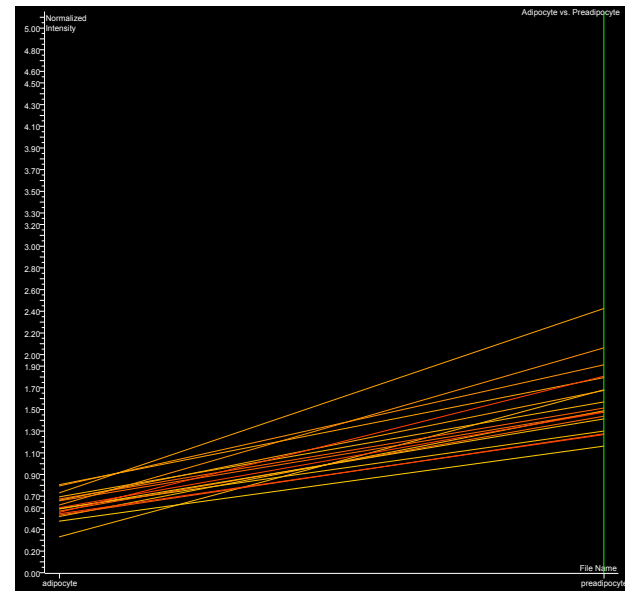
RBPs Up-regulated in Human Adipocytes



Adipocyte

Pre-Adipocyte

RBPs Down-regulated in Human Adipocytes

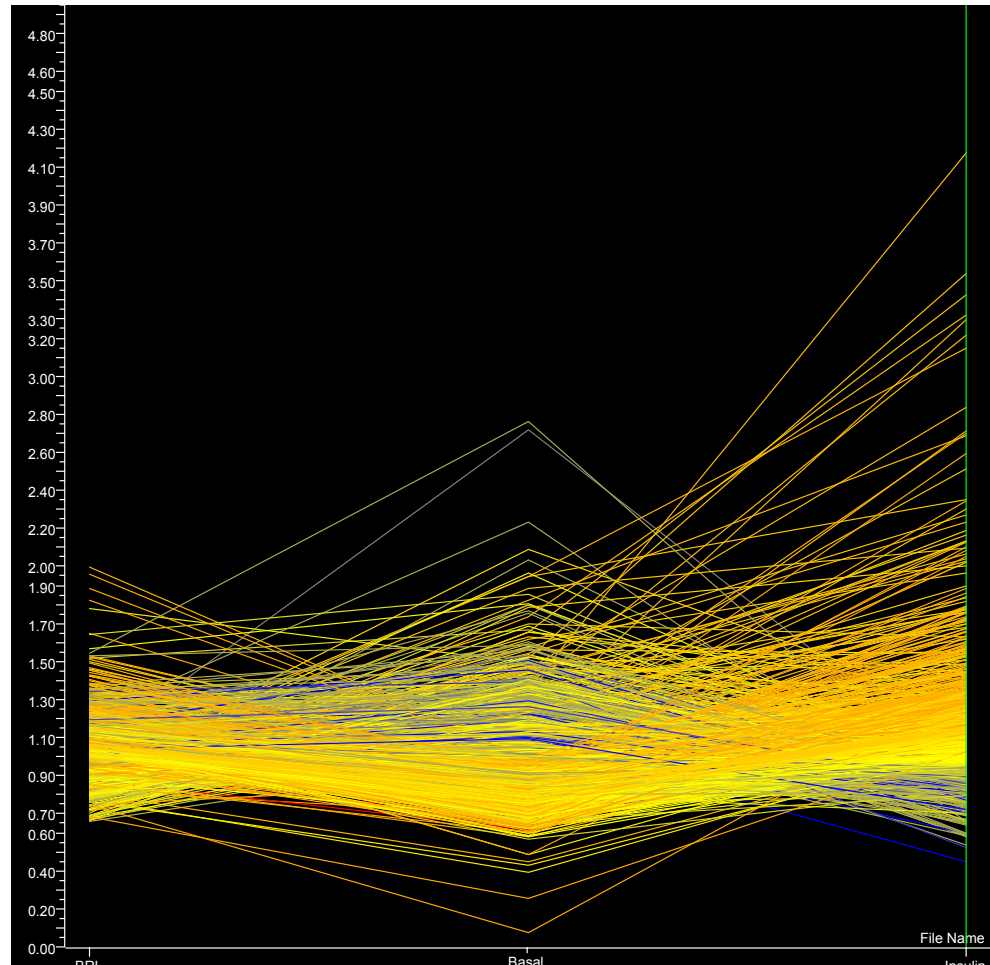


Adipocyte

Pre-Adipocyte

RBP Expression in Human Adipocytes

-Effects of Insulin and the β 3 Agonist BRL-37344-



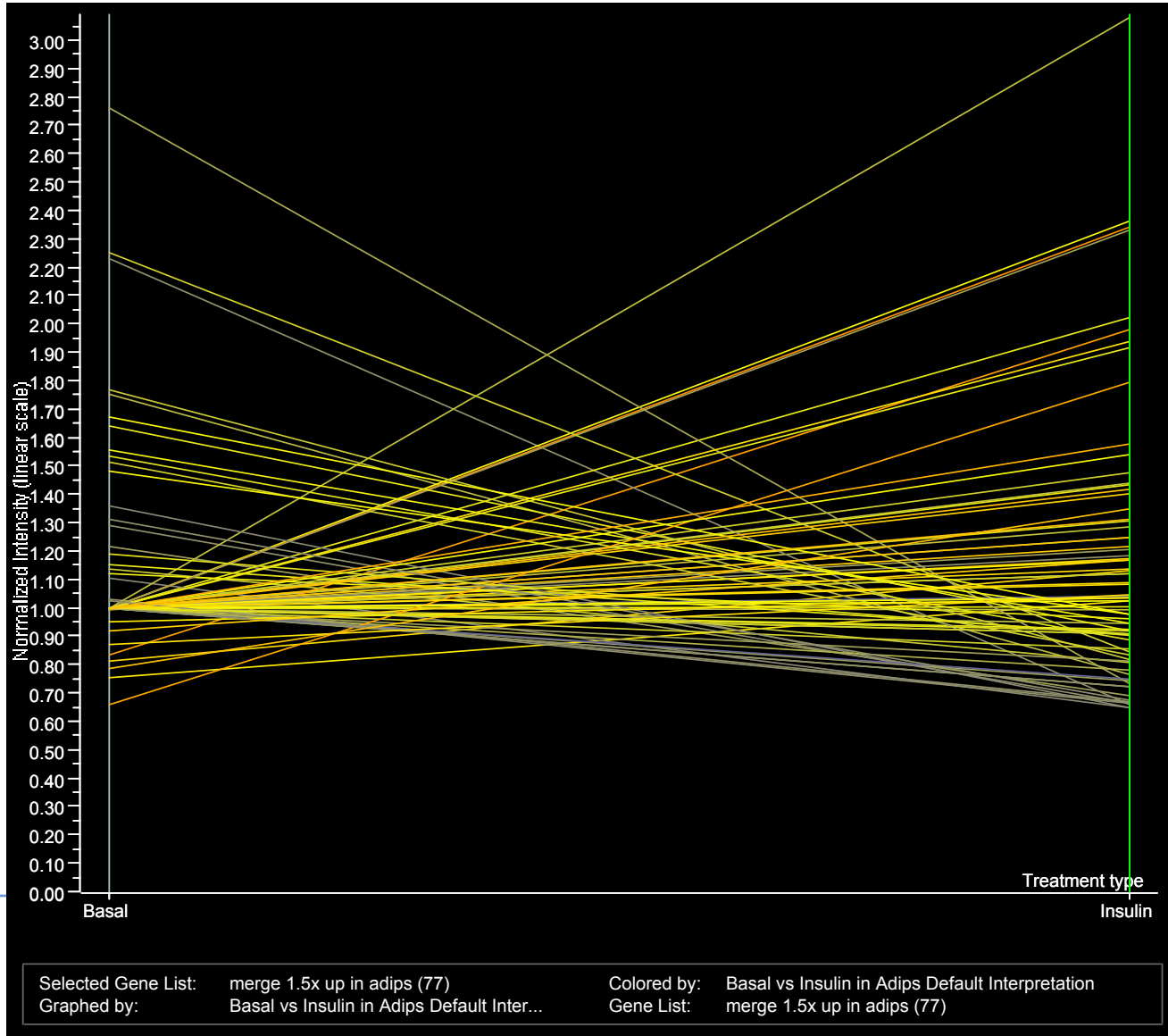
BRL-37344
1 μ M

Basal

Insulin
100 nM

Effect of Insulin on RBPs in Adipocytes from a Lean Patient

-RBPs from 1.5x up in Adipocytes-

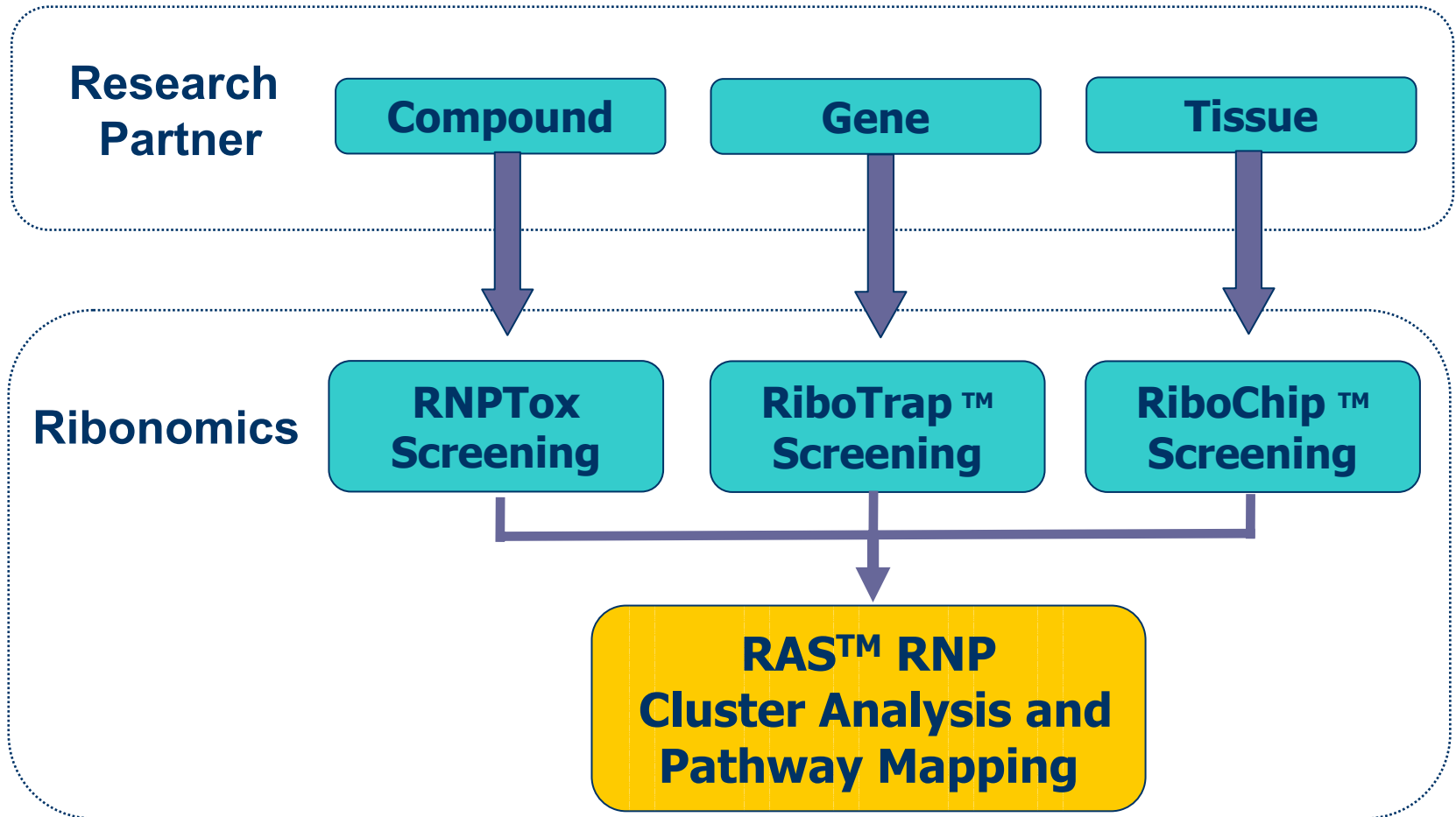


Differentiation of Adipocytes

Lean vs Obese

- Human preadipocytes harvested from elective liposuction (3 lean & 3 obese)
- Differentiated in culture to adipocytes
- Determined RBP gene expression with RiboChip™
- 12 RBP genes consistently induced > 2X in all lean patients; 5 similarly induced in obese patient adipocytes

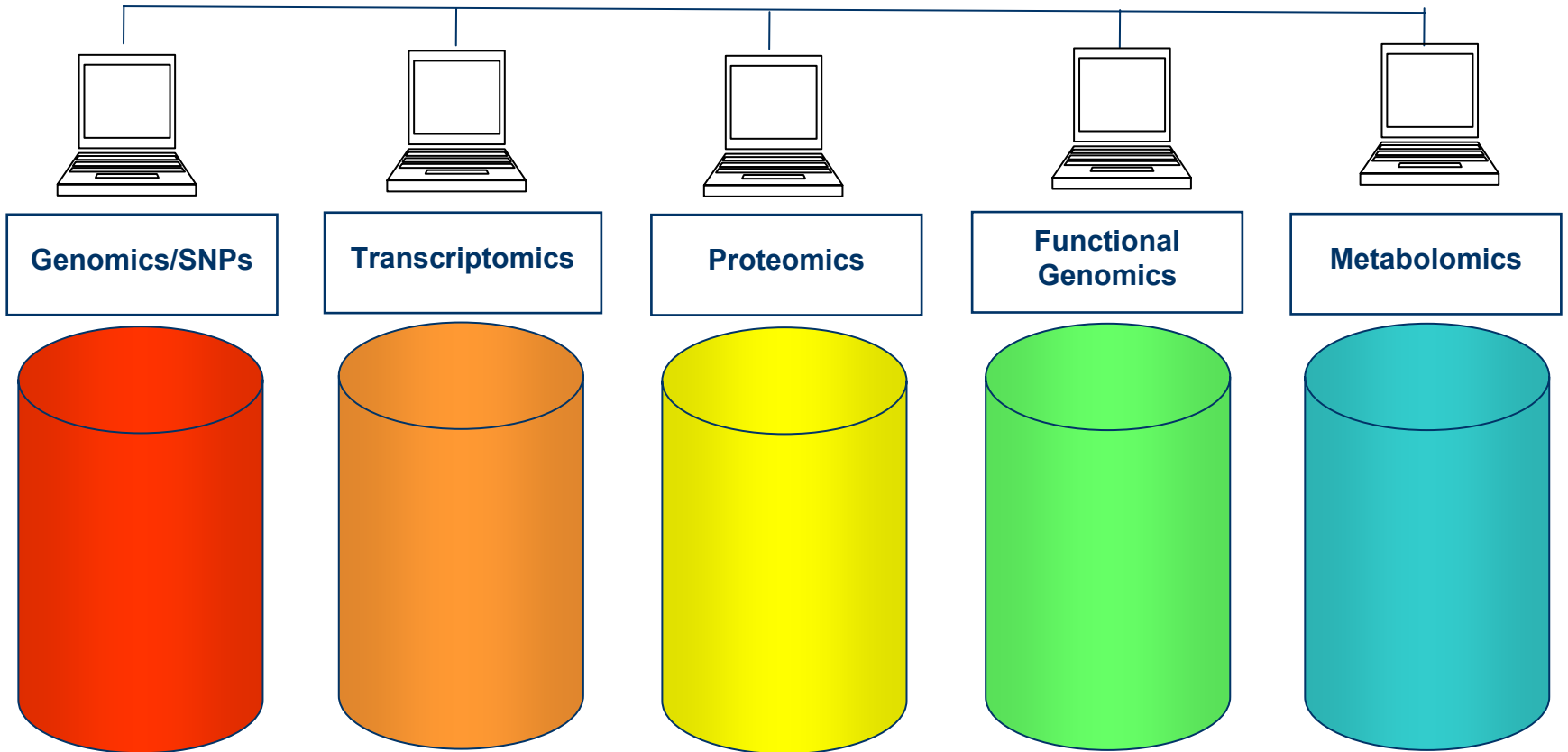
Research Partnering Process



We provide RNP cluster analysis for partners

Ribonomics

Systems Biology



A truly biological approach to Systems Biology