

Big data approaches in cardiovascular genomic research

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Thrombosis is the #1 Cause of Morbidity and Mortality

Thrombosis

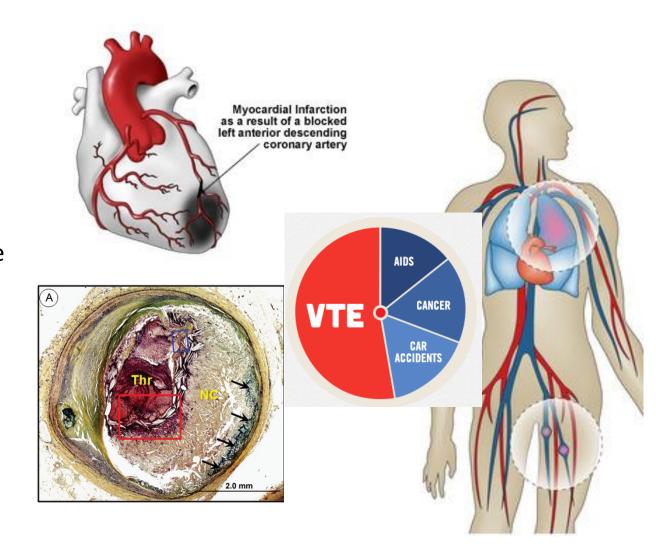
Blood clotting INSIDE the blood vessels

Arterial Thrombosis

- Atherothrombosis in arteries following plaque rupture causes heart attacks and strokes
 - No way to predict which plaques will rupture

Venous thrombosis

- Occurs in veins at sites of stasis, commonly veins of lower extremity
- Venous thromboembolism (VTE)
 - Life threatening
 - No way to predict when VTE will occur

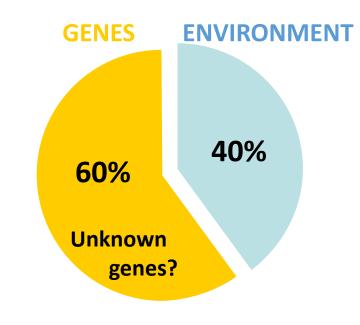




What Are the Genetic and Environmental Risk Factors for Blood Clotting (Thrombosis)?

Venous thrombosis

- 60% heritable
- Factor V Leiden (F5^L)
 - Accounts for 25% of genetic risk
 - Not everybody inheriting
 F5^L will get venous
 thrombosis
 - Tissue Factor Pathway Inhibitor?



Arterial thrombosis

- 60% heritable
- Risk factors?
 - Plasminogen activator inhibitor 1 (PAI-1)
 - Causal?

Improved human and animal studies of arterial and venous thrombosis are essential for identifying thrombosis genes and environmental triggers

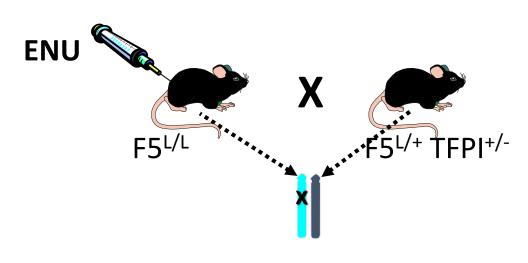
The Present Role of Big Data in Cardiovascular Thrombotic Disease

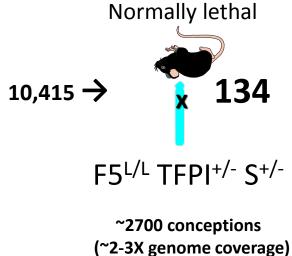
- Researchers are harnessing Big Data Genomic Analyses to:
 - Identify disease susceptibility even before illness appears
 - Facilitate preventive treatment
 - Improve diagnosis
 - Tailor treatment to diagnosis
 - Facilitate treatment prescription with minimum toxicity and maximum efficacy (pharmacogenomics)
- Efforts are centered on genotyping and sequencing hundreds of thousands of patient and control genomes
- Analyses have not yet identified big effect genes (disregarding environment???)



Genome Wide ENU Mutagenesis Suppressor Screen for Thrombosis Genes

ENU induces ~30 random mutations throughout the genome per offspring



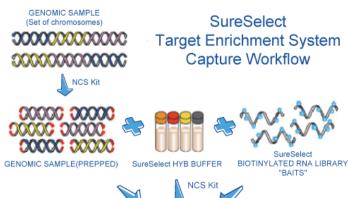




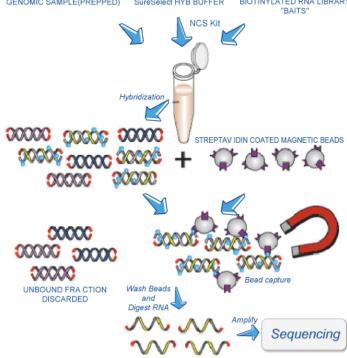
Nonlethal genotypes

Identification of Thrombosis Genes by Whole Exome Sequencing

Agilent SureSelect System

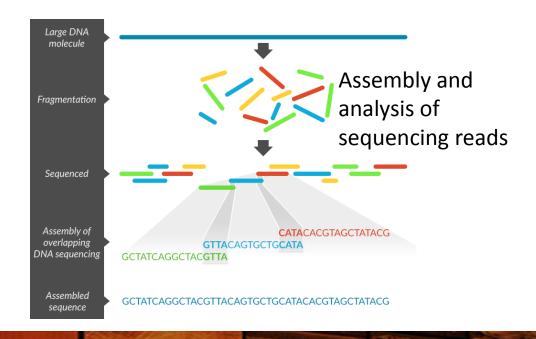


Pull out all coding sequence (exome) from genomic DNA samples





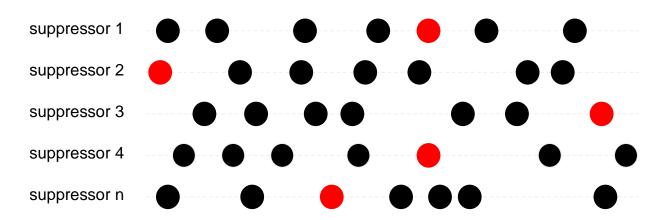
100x genome coverage per 50 megabase exome



Mutation Burden Testing and Distributions of ENU Induced Variants in 114 F5^{L/L} TFPI^{+/-} Mice

NHLBI resequencing program

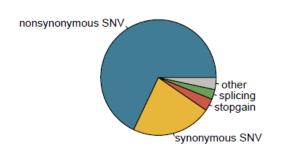
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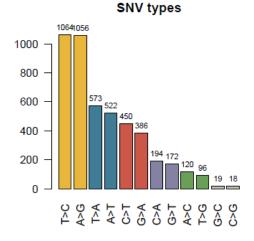




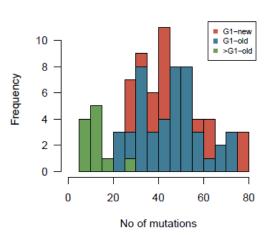




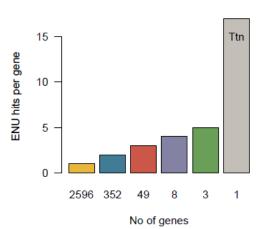




Mutation burden

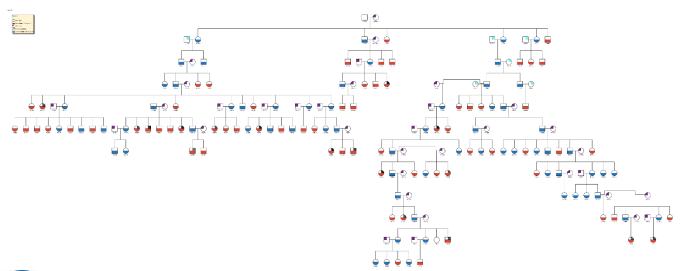


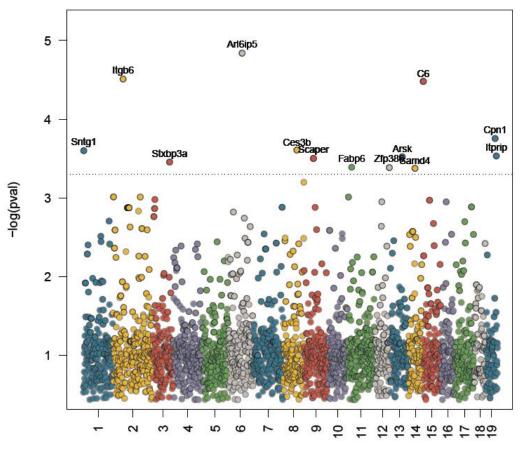
ENU hits distribution

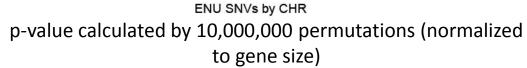


A Subset of Novel Thrombosis Genes Identified by Whole Exome Sequencing

- Several thrombosis genes have been found through this method
- The majority have not been found
- Whole genome sequencing for the remainder









Cardiovascular Thrombotic Disease Research at CDaS

- Leverage Center expertise to analyze and identify environmental thrombosis triggers from lifestyle data (sleep, activity, stress...) using Biosensors
 - In our genetically susceptible rodents (proof of principal)
 - Humans (in partnership with Translational medicine researchers and companies)
- Integrate Genome and Envirome information to inform us about how particular genomes interact with their environments
- Graduate and Undergraduate Students will acquire research skills including Big Data Genome Analysis and Big Data Sensor/Scanning analyses
- Develop novel preventive or pre-disease therapeutic strategies for thrombosis/cardiovascular disease





