## **Host Response**

- 1. Find host genes that are upregulated in infected mouse cells compared to uninfected ones. For this exercise use <a href="http://hostdb.org">http://hostdb.org</a>
  - a. Navigate to the "Transcript Expression" section then select "RNA Seq Evidence". Select the fold change query for the "Transcriptome during infection with 25 strains of *T. gondii* (Minot et al.)" experiment.

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| Cellular Location Putative Function Evolution  | Identify Genes based on RNA Seq Evidence  |
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b. Configure the search to compare all infected samples to the uninfected control. Make sure to select upregulated. In the example below a fold change of 10 was selected and the "average" operation was applied on the comparison samples.

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| ENSMUSG0000031779_1                               | M. musculus                      | chemokine (C-C motif)<br>ligand 22 (Cd22) | 456.4                           | 0.84                    | 9.68                     | Land to the second seco |

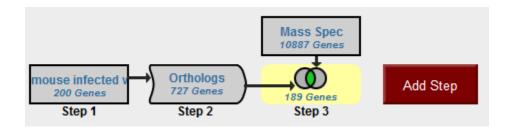
c. What are the functional characteristics of the genes in this result? What kinds of GO terms are enriched? *Hint*: click on the "Analyze Results" tab and select the GO enrichment analysis.

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| GO:0009611 response to wounding  | 1017                                    | 38            | 3.7   | 8.79               | 10.7     | 3.31e-24       | 4.18e-21                                | 4.18e-21       |
| 30:0001817 regulation of cytokine production                             | 640                                     | 29            | 4.5   | 10.66              | 12.36    | 9.28e-21       | 4.76e-18                                | 1.17e-17       |
| GO:0006950 response to stress  | 4086                                    | 64            | 1.6   | 3.68               | 5.01     | 1.13e-20       | 4.76e-18                                | 1.43e-17       |
| GO:0010033 response to organic substance                                 | 2918                                    | 54            | 1.9   | 4.35               | 5.65     | 2.19e-20       | 6.92e-18                                | 2.77e-17       |
| 30:0006952 defense response  | 1184                                    | 36            | 3.0   | 7.15               | 8.56     | 4.18e-20       | 1.06e-17                                | 5.28e-17       |
| GO:0051240 positive regulation of multicellular organismal process       | 908                                     | 32            | 3.5   | 8.29               | 9.74     | 1.01e-19       | 2.12e-17                                | 1.27e-16       |
| GO:0070206 protein trimerization   | 63                                      | 14            | 22.2  | 52.26              | 56.27    | 2.45e-19       | 4.43e-17                                | 3.10e-16       |
| GO:0032496 response to lipopolysaccharide                                | 387                                     | 23            | 5.9   | 13.98              | 15.73    | 4.27e-19       | 6.74e-17                                | 5.39e-16       |
| 50:0002237 response to molecule of bacterial origin                      | 411                                     | 23            | 5.6   | 13.16              | 14.81    | 1.50e-18       | 2.11e-16                                | 1.90e-15       |
| GO:0051704 multi-organism process  | 1445                                    | 37            | 2.6   | 6.02               | 7.21     | 2.85e-18       | 3.60e-16                                | 3.60e-15       |
| SO:0042127 regulation of cell proliferation                              | 2165                                    | 44            | 2.0   | 4.78               | 5.9      | 5.39e-18       | 6.19e-16                                | 6.81e-15       |
| SO:0050710 negative regulation of cytokine secretion                     | 44                                      | 12            | 27.3  | 64.14              | 68.32    | 1.11e-17       | 1.14e-15                                | 1.41e-14       |
| GO:0016477 cell migration  | 1076                                    | 32            | 3.0   | 6.99               | 8.19     | 1.17e-17       | 1.14e-15                                | 1.48e-14       |
| GO:0032879 regulation of localization                                    | 2555                                    | 47            | 1.8   | 4.33               | 5.4      | 1.44e-17       | 1.26e-15                                | 1.82e-14       |
| GO:0050707 regulation of cytokine secretion                              | 145                                     | 16            | 11.0  | 25.95              | 28.2     | 1.50e-17       | 1.26e-15                                | 1.89           |

d. What are the human orthologs of these mouse genes? Expand the result set to include orthologs/paralogs of these genes. *Hint:* add a "Transform by Orthology" step choosing Homo sapiens.



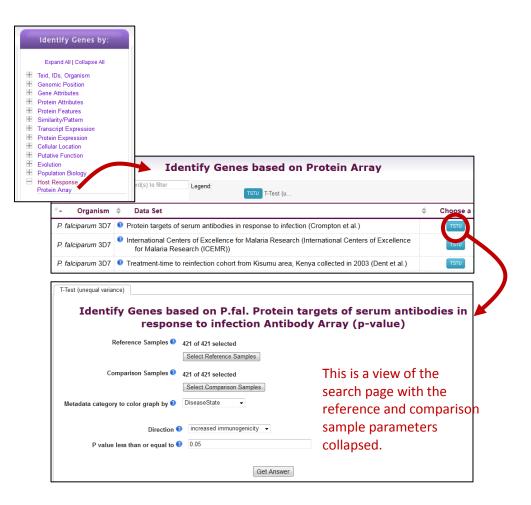
e. Do any of these human genes also have peptide evidence for their expression during infection? *Hint:* add a step and explore the "Mass Spec Evidence" data in the protein expression section. Run the search using the default parameters.



## 2. Find *Plasmodium falciparum* genes that are immunogenic in infected humans. For this exercise use <u>http://plasmodb.org</u>

Anibodies are central to malaria immunity, which is only acquired after years of exposure to *Plasmodium falciparum (Pf)*. Despite the enormous worldwide burden of malaria, the targets of protective Abs and the basis of their inefficient acquisition are unknown. PlasmoDB contains protein array data which provides a measure of a gene's 'immugenisity' by hybridizing serum (which contains antibodies) to an array spotted with peptides from 2320 *P falciparum* gene products. Searching this data in PlasmoDB identifies genes whose protein products acted as antigens in malaria patients.

a. Identify genes (antigens) that exhibited an increased immunogenicity in asymptomatic children (ages 0-18) compared to children with disease (infected). *Hint*: the "Protein Array" search is available in the "Host Response" menu item in the "Identify Genes By" section of the home page. Choose the experiment **Protein targets of serum antibodies in response to infection (Crompton et al.).** 



In this example, your **comparison samples will be normal children** and your **reference samples with be infected children**. So each set of samples (reference and comparison) has two parameters that need to be set, age and disease state. The age parameter should be set to 0-18 years for both the reference and the comparison samples. To set the age parameter for the reference samples, choose the 'General Information of Study Subject' and then 'Age' from the left menu to reveal choices for the parameter on the right. Set the range to 0-18 (see image below).



Now set the disease state for the reference samples to infected. Move on the comparison samples and set the age to 0-18 and the disease state to normal. The default settings for other parameters are good – increased immunogenicity and p-value = 0.05.



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You are ready to click Get Answer! What do your results look like? Could these represent potential protective antigens? (result image below)

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## 3. Find *falciparum* antigens that may be protective from recurrence of malaria (and potentially reinfection) For this exercise use <u>http://plasmodb.org</u>

A recently published study from Kenya (view paper) followed participants for 12 weeks after an initial screening for malaria and treatment with anti-malarial drugs. The authors collected patient serum, analyzed the serum by protein array and EuPathDB integrated the data set. On a weekly basis, the authors also collected other data associated with the serum sample (metadata) such as 'presence of parasites' and clinical symptoms of malaria. We can use the metadata to stratify the samples and compare subsets of the participants (young vs old, symptomatic vs asymptomatic) when we search for genes that act as antigens. The study concluded:

- increased antigenicity was present in children who did not show clinical symptoms of malaria and suggest that these antigens are protective in children whose malaria symptoms did not recur.
- there was no correlation between antigenicity and time to re-infection

Test both these conclusions.

- a. Compare children (age 0-12) who got clinical malaria during the study (time to first malaria Dx weeks 4-9) to those who didn't (week 11+).
  - Set two parameters for the Reference sample:
    - Age = 0-12

Time to First Marlaria Dx = weeks 4-9.

- Set two parameters for the Comparison Sample:
  - Age = 0-12

Time to First Malaria Dx = Week 11+ and Week 111+.

- Try running with increased immunogenicity then revise and change to decreased immunogenicity. See images below for help configuring the search.
- Do these results make sense?
- Ask the same question (age 0-12) except compare time to re-infection weeks 3 and 4 with time to reinfection weeks 9,10,11,11+. Do you get significant results? Does this agree with the conclusions of the paper? Revise the search and remove the age limits, just keeping the times to re-infection.

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| ▼ Laboratory Methods And<br>Results                           | Week 11+  | 151<br>2                               | 64<br>2                          |                               |               |
| ► Parasite Detection  | Week 4  | 3                                      | 3                                |                               |               |
| Blood Smear Result<br>Summary                                 | Week 5<br>Week 6  | 2                                      | 2<br>2                           | 1                             |               |
| Time To First Malaria Dx                                      | Week 7  | 5                                      | 5<br>5                           | :                             |               |
| Time To Reinfection   | Week 9  | 2                                      | 2                                | Ē.                            |               |
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