

Post-Genomic Challenges For the Open Source Bioinformatics Community:

Systems Biology as a Target Source

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Bioinformatics in 2002

- Transition from a gene-centric to systems-oriented approach to knowledge discovery
- Introduction to Systems Biology
- Overview of approaches and methods in need of “Open Source Intervention”

The Hegelian Dialectic and the Race to Sequence the Human Genome

- **Thesis:** Gene Myers, Craig Venter and the Apocryphal Cocktail Napkin
- **Antithesis:** Ensembl and the OpenBio Movement
- **Synthesis:** Demise of “Genomes For Sale”
- *What's the new thesis?*

The Dialectic, Part II

- Pre-1998 Bioinformaticists often worked in labs headed by biologists. Problem: it's always difficult to work for someone who doesn't understand what you do
- 1998-2001 The Genome Utopia: Genomic data was available over the web at a rate of ~100 megabases a week, freeing us from the tyranny of biological rule and worrying about the messiness of where/how data was generated
- Post 2001 The Dream is over: now we have to work with biologists and raw data again

Ensembl: A Gene-Centric Genome Viewer

The screenshot shows the Ensembl Human Genome Server (ContigView) interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Home, Human, What's New, BLAST, Export Data, Download, Disease Browser, Drugs, and Help. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with a placeholder "e! Human ContigView". To the right of the search bar is a "Sequence" input field containing "1" and a "Lookup" button. A status bar at the bottom displays the URL "http://www.ensembl.org/Homo_sapiens/configview?chr=1&vc_start=1&vc_end=1000000&x=0&y=0" and the text "The Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute EBI".

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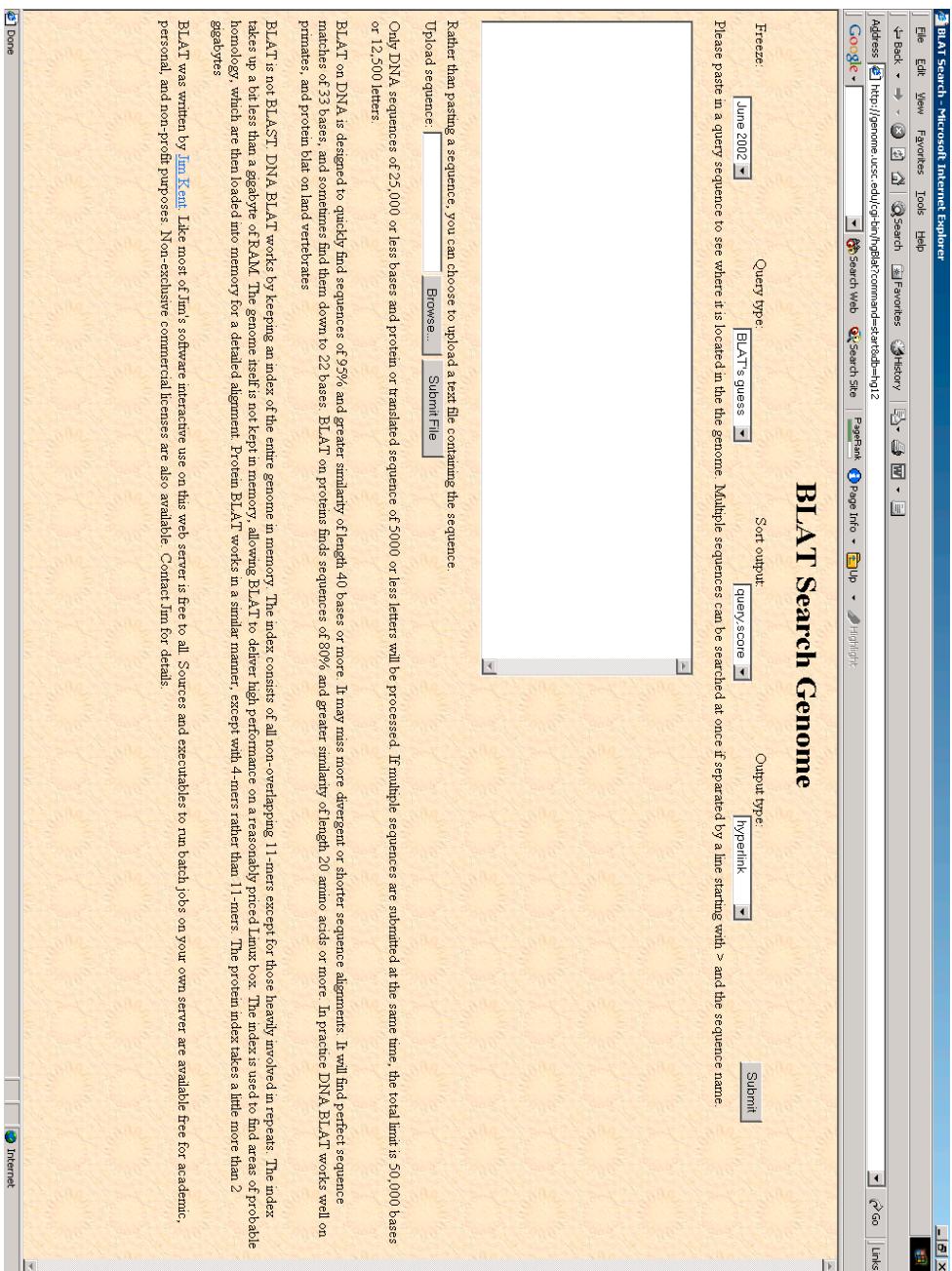
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Jim Kent's BLAT Search Engine



DotCloud was written by [The DotCloud Team](#) for personal, and non-profit purposes. Non-exclusive commercial licenses are also available. Contact Jim for details.

homology which are then loaded into memory for a detailed alignment. Protein BLAST works in a similar manner, except with 4-mers rather than 11-mers. The protein index takes a little more than 2 GB of memory.

primates, and/or open out on later vertebrates

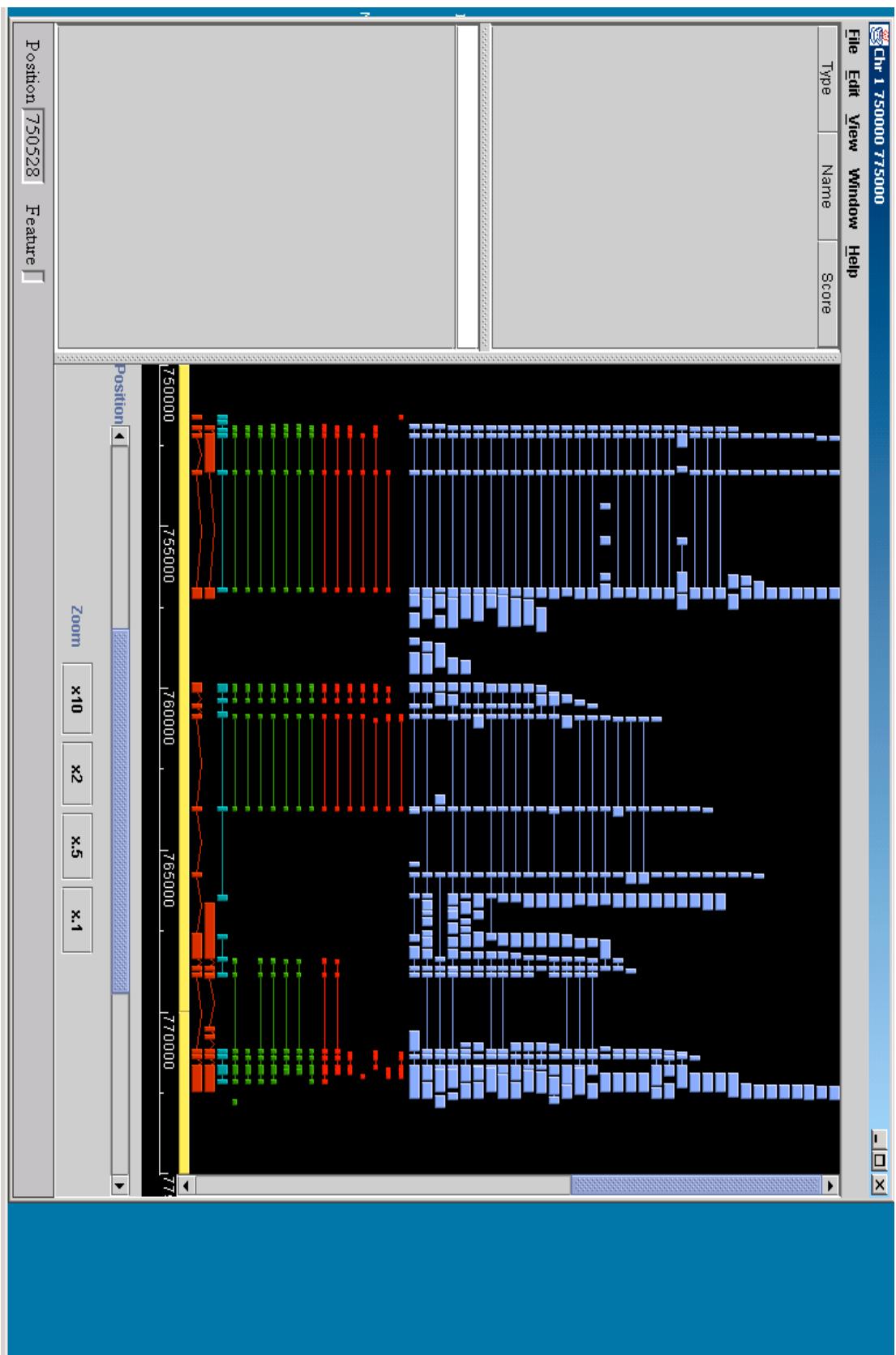
BLAT is not BLAST. DNA BLAT works by keeping an index of the entire genome in memory. The index consists of all non-overlapping 11-mers except for those heavily involved in repeats. The index takes up a bit less than a gigabyte of RAM. The genome itself is not kept in memory, allowing BLAT to deliver high performance on a reasonably priced Linux box. The index is used to find areas of preexisting

Only DNA sequences of 25,000 or less bases and protein or translated sequence of 50,000 or less letters will be processed. If multiple sequences are submitted at the same time, the total limit is 50,000 bases or 12,500 letters.

BLAT on DNA is designed to quickly find sequences of 95% and greater similarity of length 40 bases or more. It may miss more divergent or shorter sequence alignments. It will find perfect sequence matches of 53 bases, and sometimes find them down to 22 bases. BLAT on proteins finds sequences of 80% and greater similarity of length 20 amino acids or more. In practice DNA BLAT works well

Upload sequence: [Browse...](#) [Submit File](#)

The Apollo Genome Browser



Genome Browsers: Challenges to Overcome / A Wish List

Static: underlying data is updated sporadically

Noninteractive I: users have little or no capacity to integrate proprietary data

Noninteractive II: browsers have little or no capacity to respond to or record users' path through data

Orthogonal: browsers depict physical relationships and gene family relationships, but not biologically-relevant ones like receptor-ligand and other partner relationships, biological processes, cellular and tissue localization.

DAS: Integrating Distributed Data

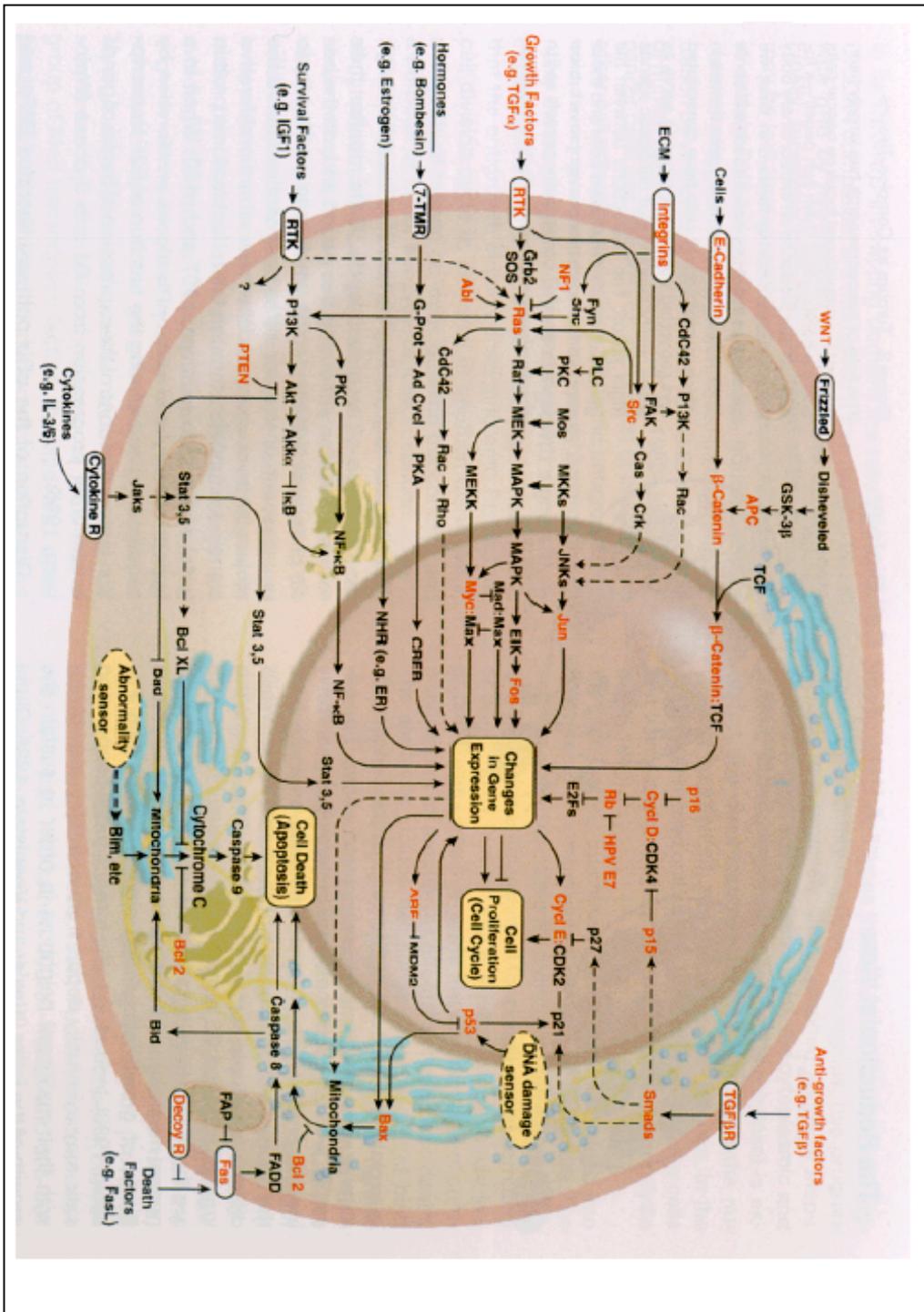
The screenshot shows the biodas.org homepage in Microsoft Internet Explorer. The title bar reads "www.biodas.org Main Page - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, Help, Back, Forward, Stop, Refresh, Search, Favorites, History, and Links. The address bar shows "http://biodas.org/index.html" and has a "Go" button. The search bar includes "Search Web", "Search Site", "PageRank", "Page Info", "Up", "Highlight", "Das", and "Genome". The page content is organized into several sections:

- Resources**
 - Biodas Home**: Welcome to biodas.org. This site is the center of development of an Open Source system for exchanging annotations on genomic sequence data. Here is an [overview](#) of DAS written by Scott Pearson.
 - DAS1 Specification**: If you came here looking for the Dense Alignment Surface method, please refer to <http://www.sbc.susx.ac.uk/~miklos/>.
 - DAS2 RFCs**: The distributed annotation system (DAS) is a client-server system in which a single client integrates information from multiple servers. It allows a single machine to gather up genome annotation information from multiple distant web sites, collate the information, and display it to the user in a single view. Little coordination is needed among the various information providers.
 - Dazzle DAS Server**: A partial list of public DAS servers. The original version 1 specification, written by Lincoln Stein and Robin Dowell, is the basis for a number of clients and servers. DAS1 servers are currently running at WormBase, FlyBase, Ensemble, TIGR, and UCSC.
 - Weekly Project Snapshots**: In light of lessons learned during the DAS1 implementation, we are planning a transition to a more flexible and powerful protocol called DAS2. This transition will occur slowly, and DAS software will continue to support DAS1 for some years to come. We are currently collecting RFCs (Requests for Comment) on DAS2. To read the RFCs or contribute your own, please see the [DAS2 RFC Page](#).
 - Anonymous CVS Access**: Currently the DAS code base consists of:
- Related Projects**
 - 1. [The DAS1 specification \(stable\)](#)
 - 2. [The preliminary DASXF specification, used by the Dazzle client \(subject to change!\)](#)
 - 3. Complete DAS clients:
 - o Geodestic, by Robin Dowell
 - o Dasclient, by Matthew Pocock
 - o OmnidAS/Omnigene Project
- BioXML**
 - 4. Client Libraries
 - o BioJava client library (DAS1 & DAS2)
 - o BioPerl client library (DAS1 only)
 - 5. Servers
 - o Dazzle Java server
 - o Linux-based DAS server (Perl)
- biodas.org**
- Mailing List**: The DAS developer's mailing list is dasc@biodas.org. To subscribe, go to this page.
- Public DAS Servers**: Foo Cheung is assembling a list of publicly-accessible DAS servers. If you have a server that is not on the list and you would like it to appear there, please send him mail.
- News**
 - July 23, 2002: Version 1.07 of the LDAS server fixes a bug that caused the DSNI response to include unescaped ampersands and other entities.
 - April 22, 2002: Version 1.06 of the LDAS server fixes a bug that prevented links from being generated for many features.
 - April 15, 2002: Stable version 0.20 of Bio::Das perl client library (DAS1 only).
 - December 17, 2001: Bio::Das perl client library (DAS1 only). Experimental [version 0.6](#) of Bio::Das released (parallel fetch, but no support for stylesheets).
 - February 11, 2001: Version 1.5 of the DAS specification has been released. This is an interim release designed to fix some glaring deficiencies in 1.0 spec, but backwardly compatible with earlier versions.
 - December 7, 2001: Updated address for Foo Cheung's list of DAS servers.
 - Added Foo Cheung's list of public DAS servers.
 - Version 1.0 of the LDAS server fixes a bug in database authentication.
 - November 26, 2001: Foo Cheung has written a new Web-based DAS viewer. It is in early form, but the source will eventually be contributed to the DAS repository. It can be viewed at <http://www.tigr.org/tigr/DASview.html>.
 - November 20, 2001: Biodas mailing list moved to biodas.org.
 - November 5, 2001: Biodas mailing list moved to biodas.org.

Foresighting

- Moving Beyond the Genome Utopia
- Standards to Cope with Proliferation of Platforms and Vendors
- Lims Systems and Pipeline Management
- Data Analysis Standards
- Visualization Tools
- Working with Clusters while Avoiding Bankruptcy

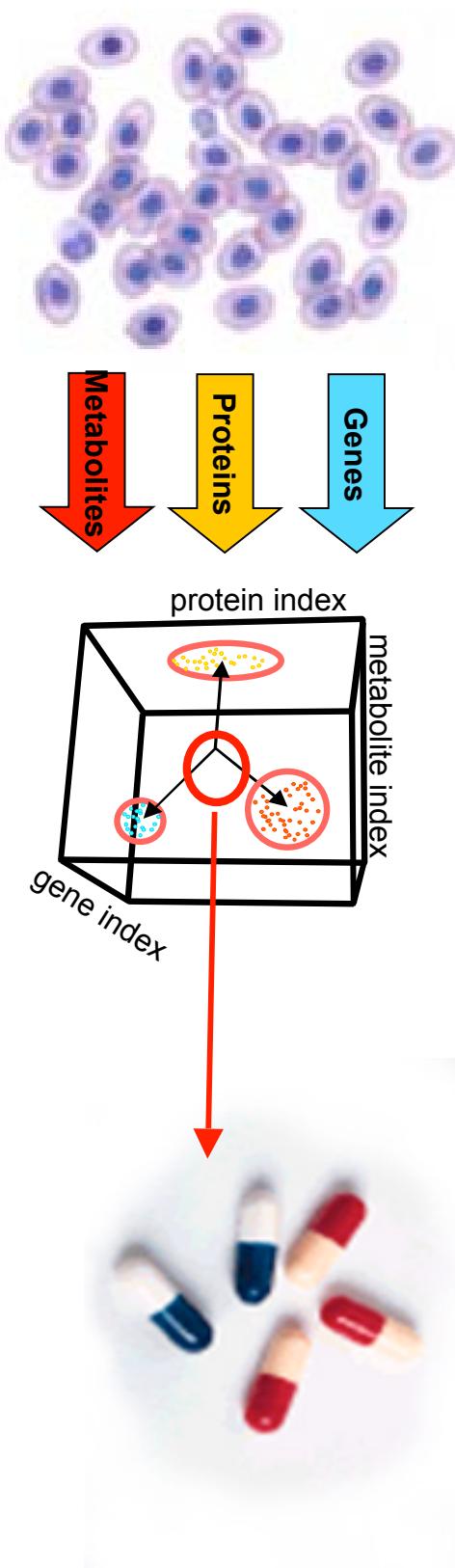
Biological Systems



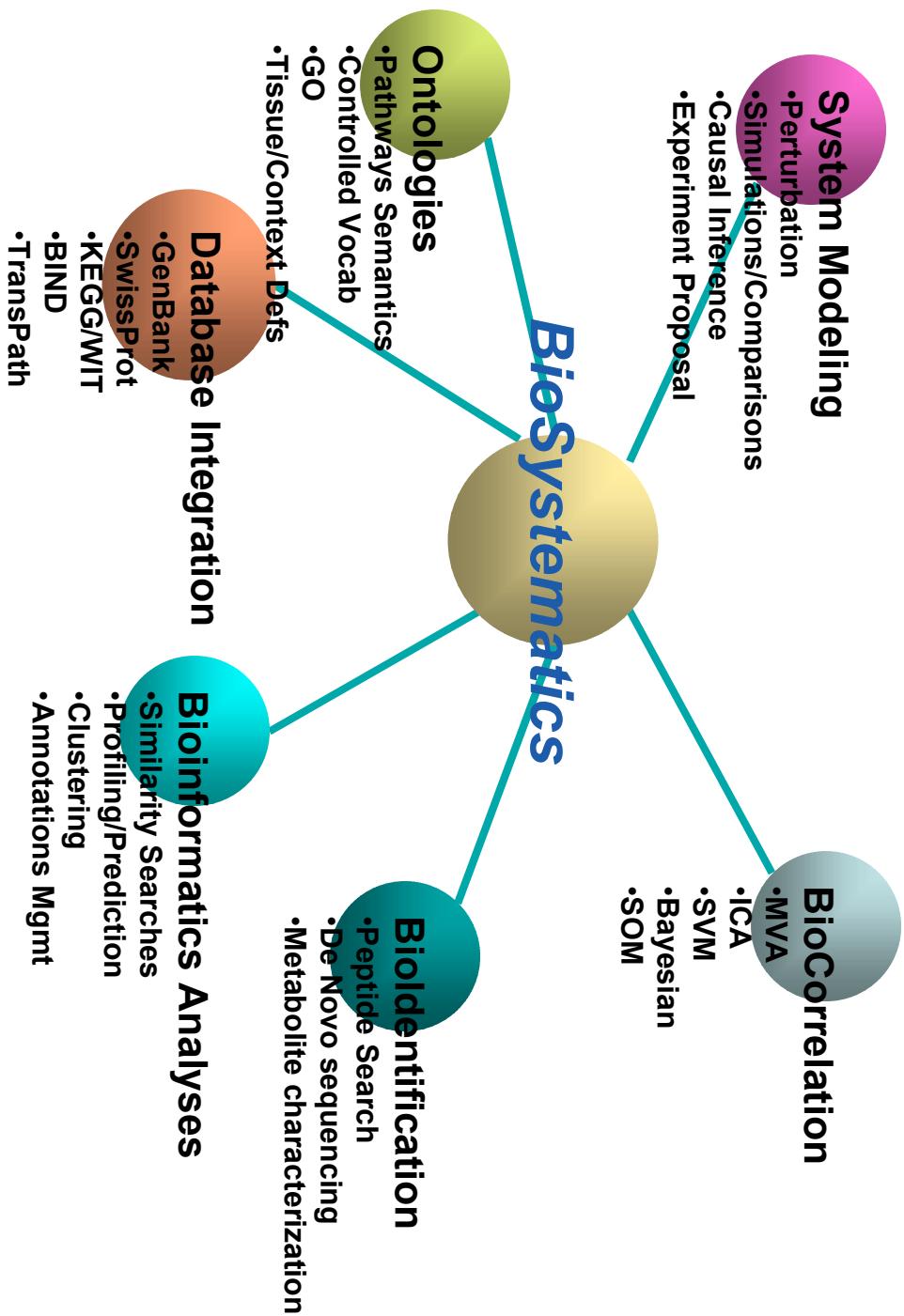
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What is Systems Biology?

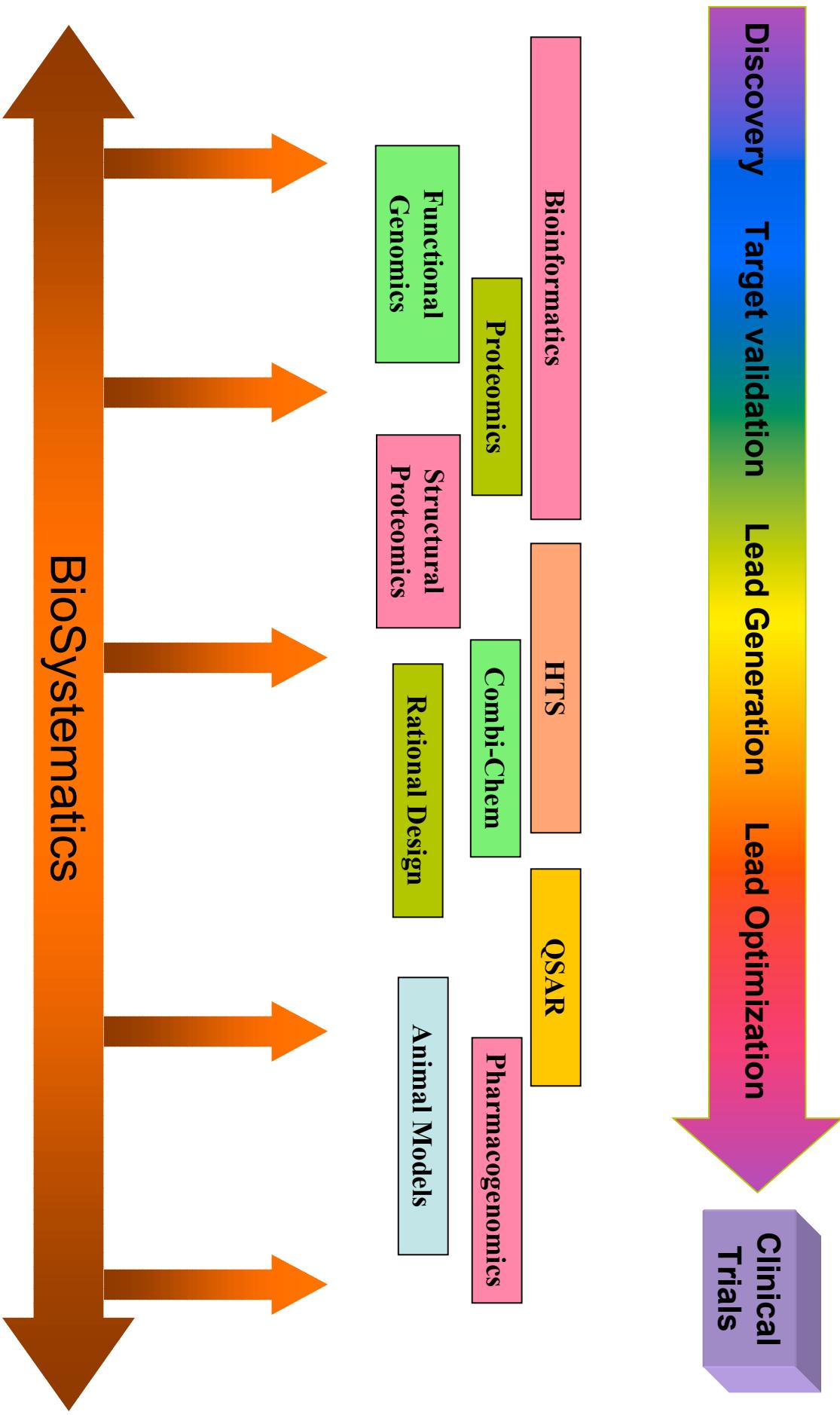
- Parallel analyses of proteins, metabolites and mRNA from complex samples
- Perturbations using mutations, drugs, and experimental conditions
- Determination of molecular function and elucidation of cellular mechanisms
- Informatics tools to link gene response, protein activity and metabolite dynamics
- BioSystems translates covariant sets of genes, proteins, metabolites into biochemical *interaction* and target information



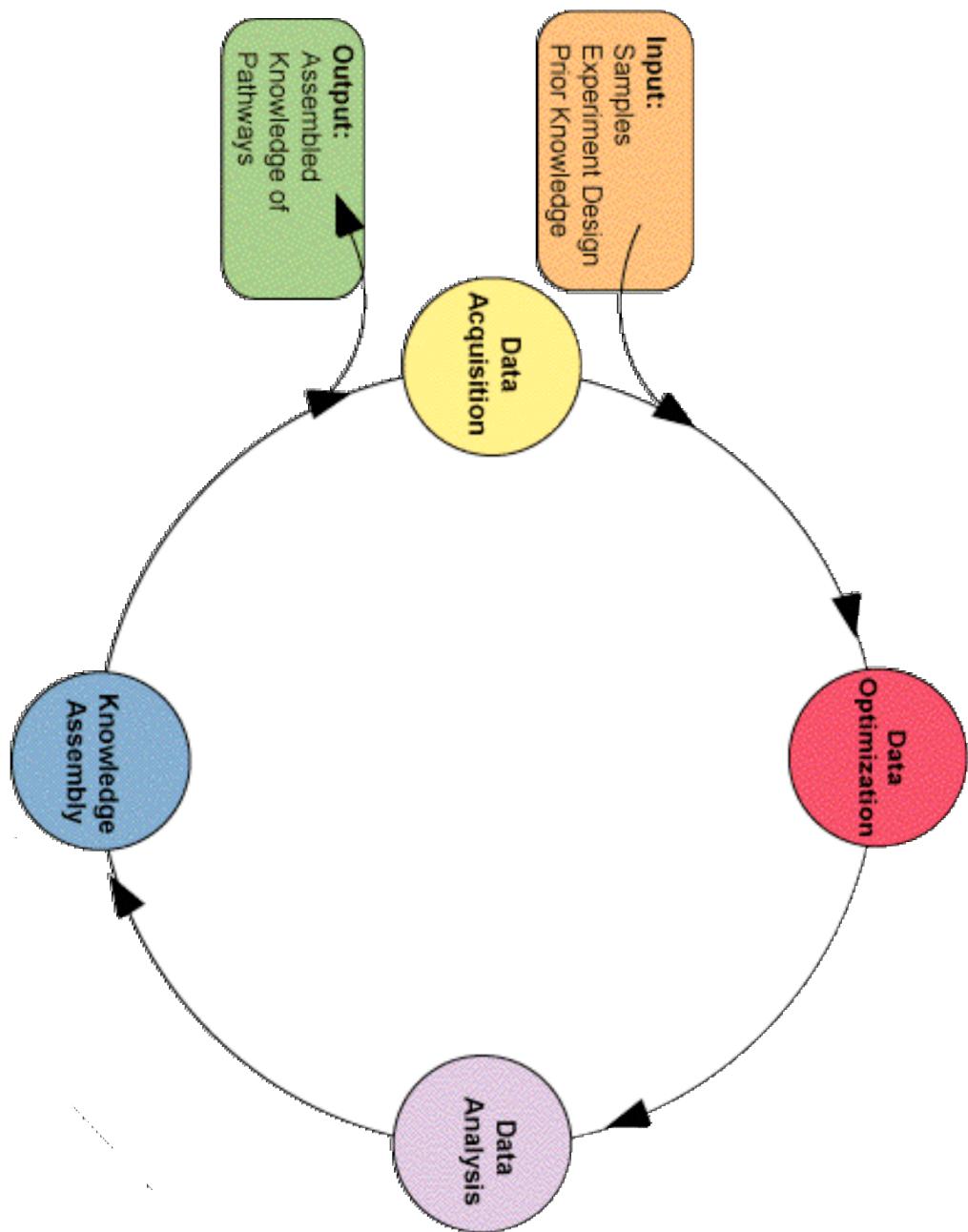
Systems Biology + Bioinformatics =



Role of BioSystematics in Drug Discovery



BioSystematics and the Scientific Method



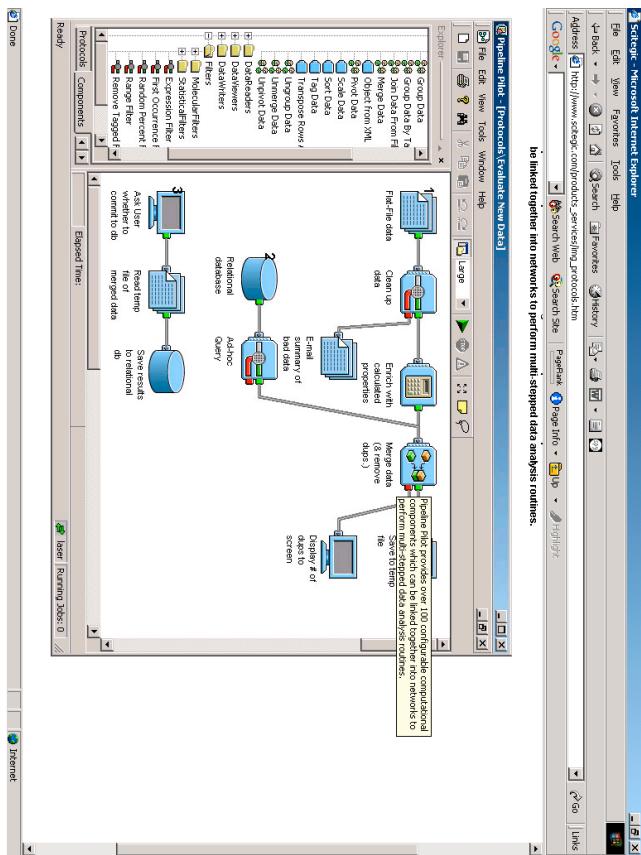
Analysis Pipelines

- A real world example: TF identification
- Two private sector approaches:
 - Scitegic
 - Incogen
- Open Source Initiatives

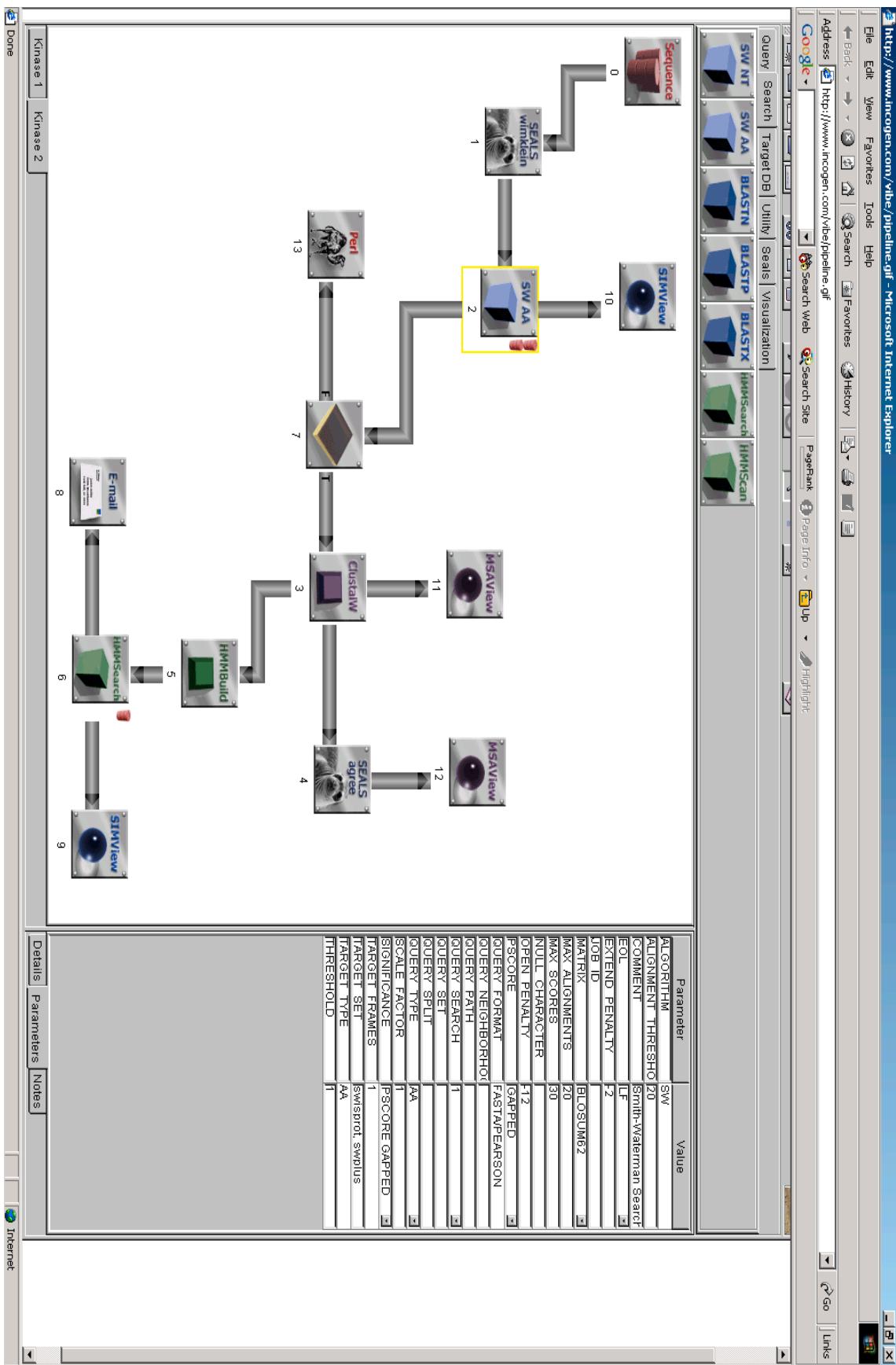
Scitegenic

- **What Is Data Pipelining?**

- The processing, analysis, and mining of large volumes of data through a user-defined computational protocol.
- Data Pipelining: Data is progressively read into a protocol and analyzed or modified by each component as it flows through the network toward the output endpoints.



Inogen



Proteomics Analysis

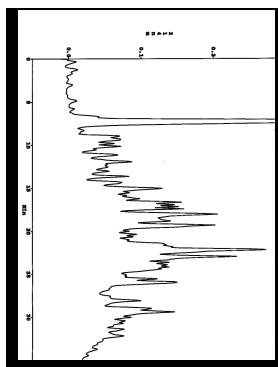
- control sample
- experimental sample



sample preparation chemistry / isotopic labeling



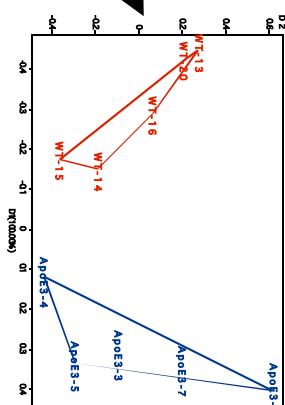
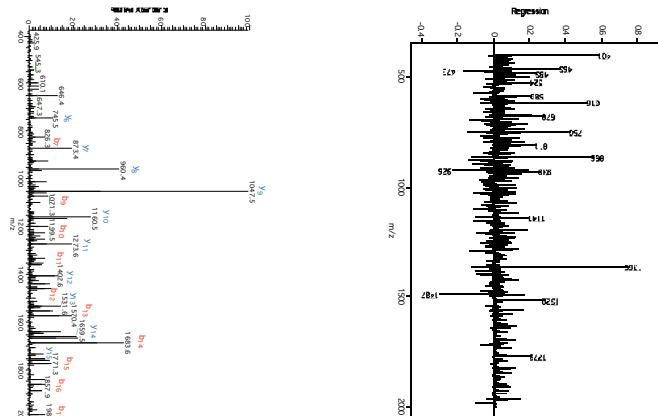
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mass spectrometry collection and



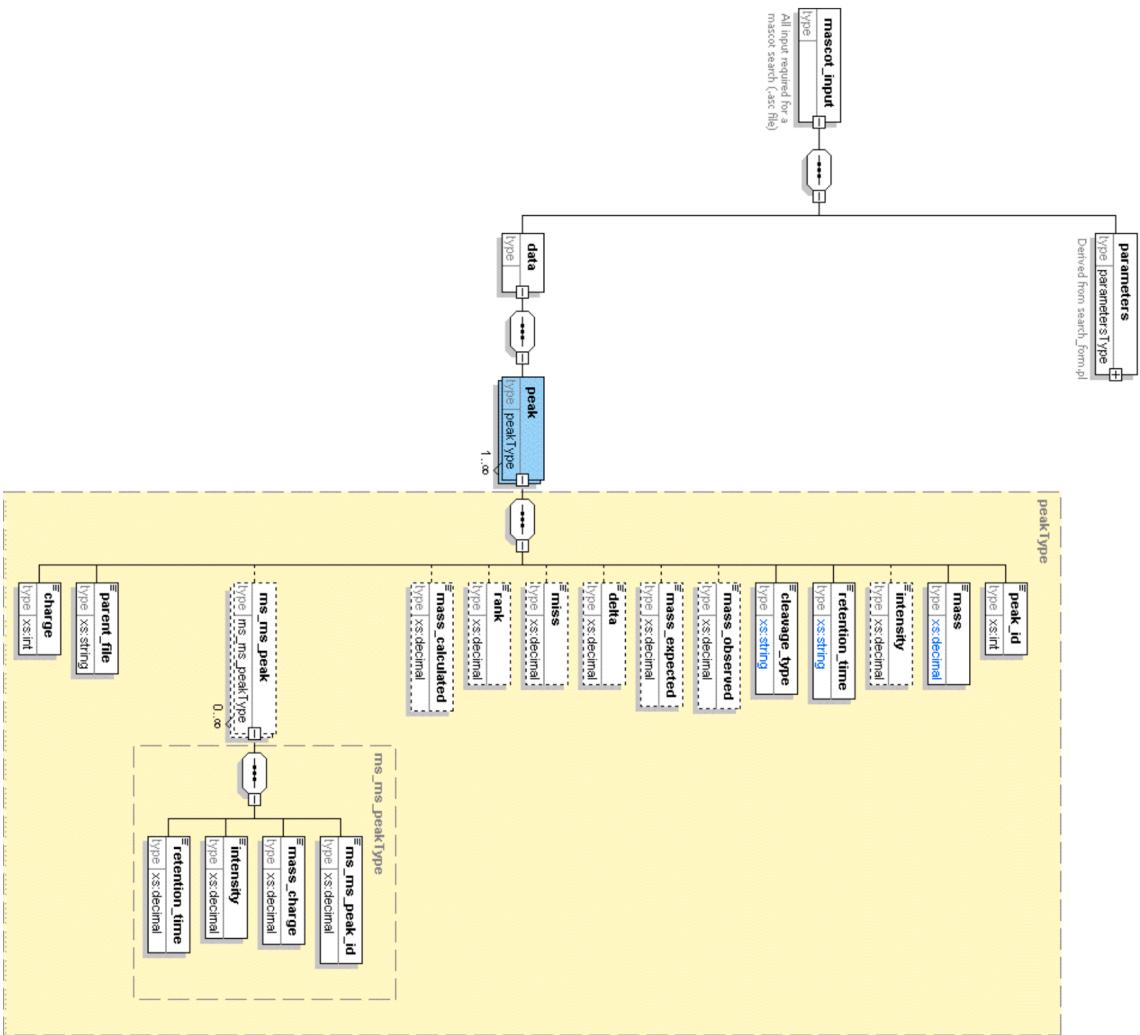
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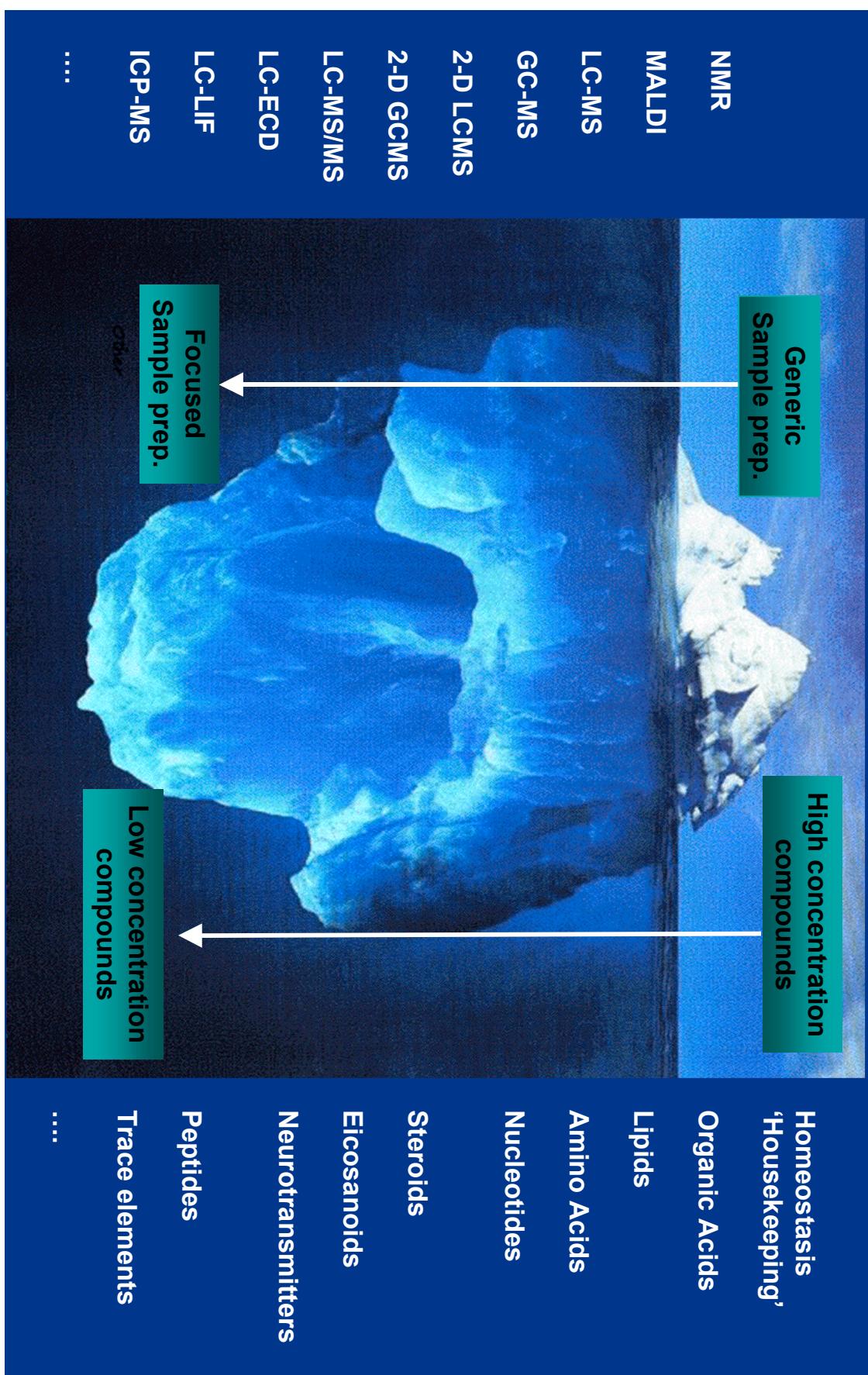
clustering of datasets



MS Peaks and Proteins XML



Metabolomics



Data Acquisition: LIMS *Expt Design*

BG LIMS - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Beyond Genomics LIMS
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LIMS System

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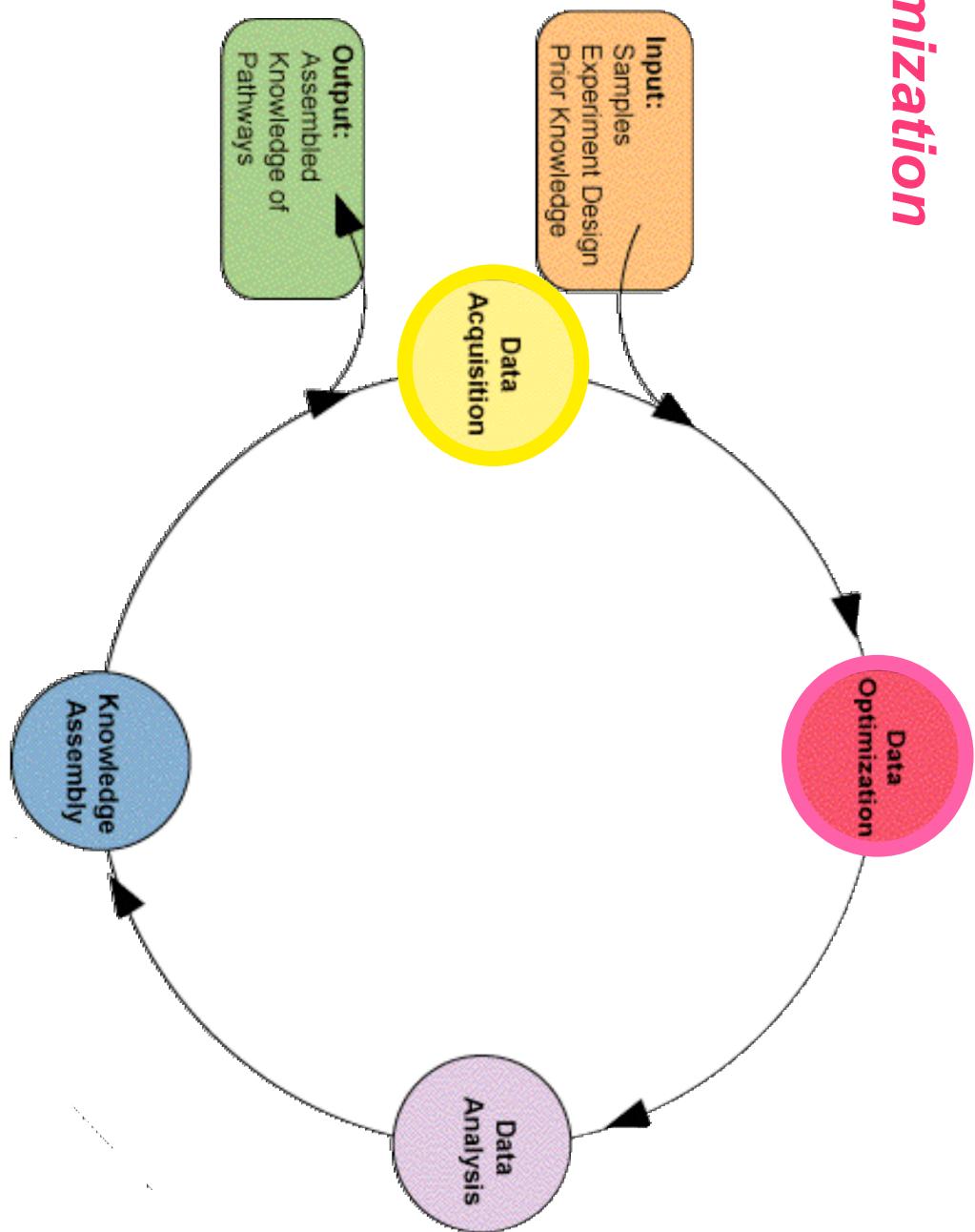
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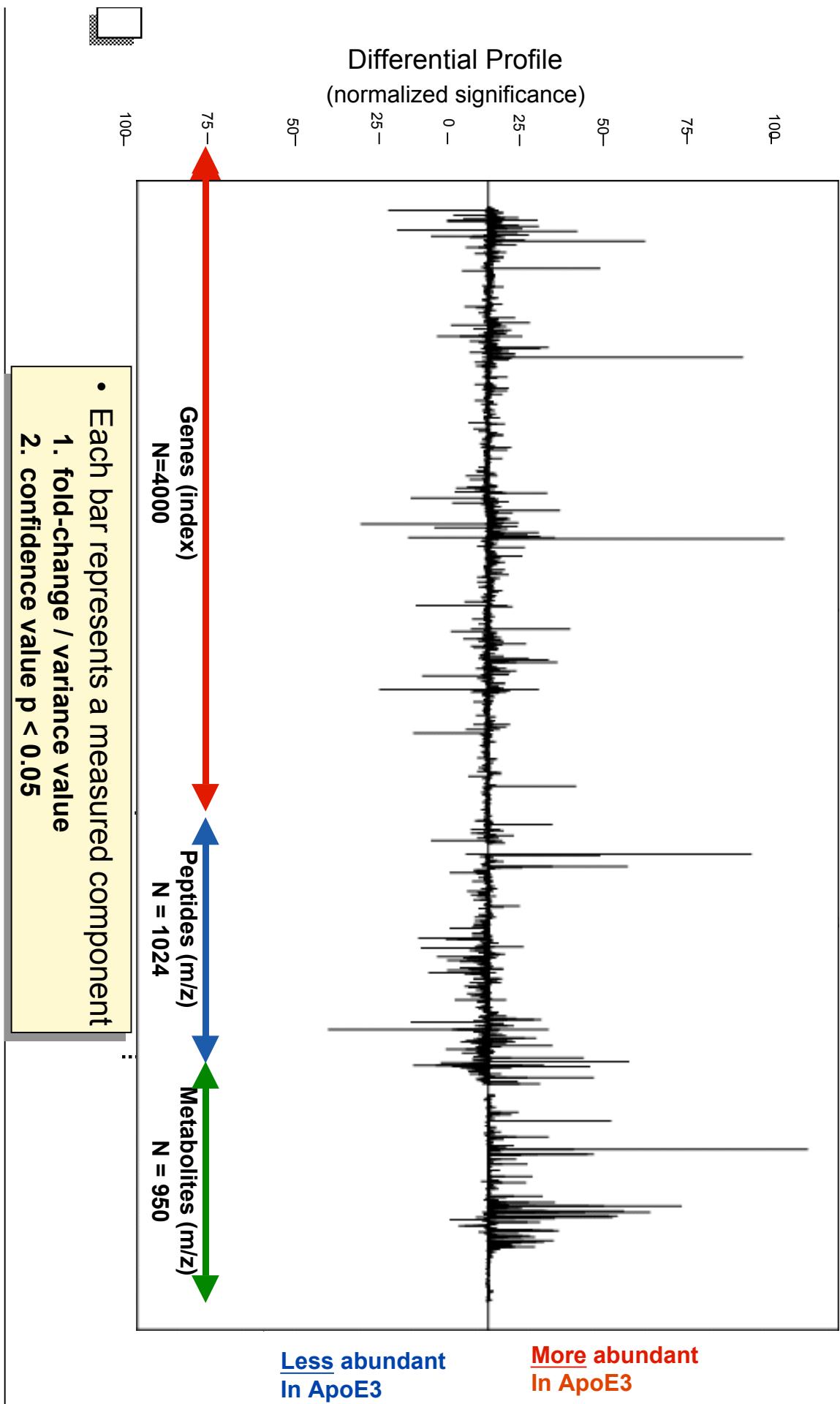


Data Optimization: Quality Control

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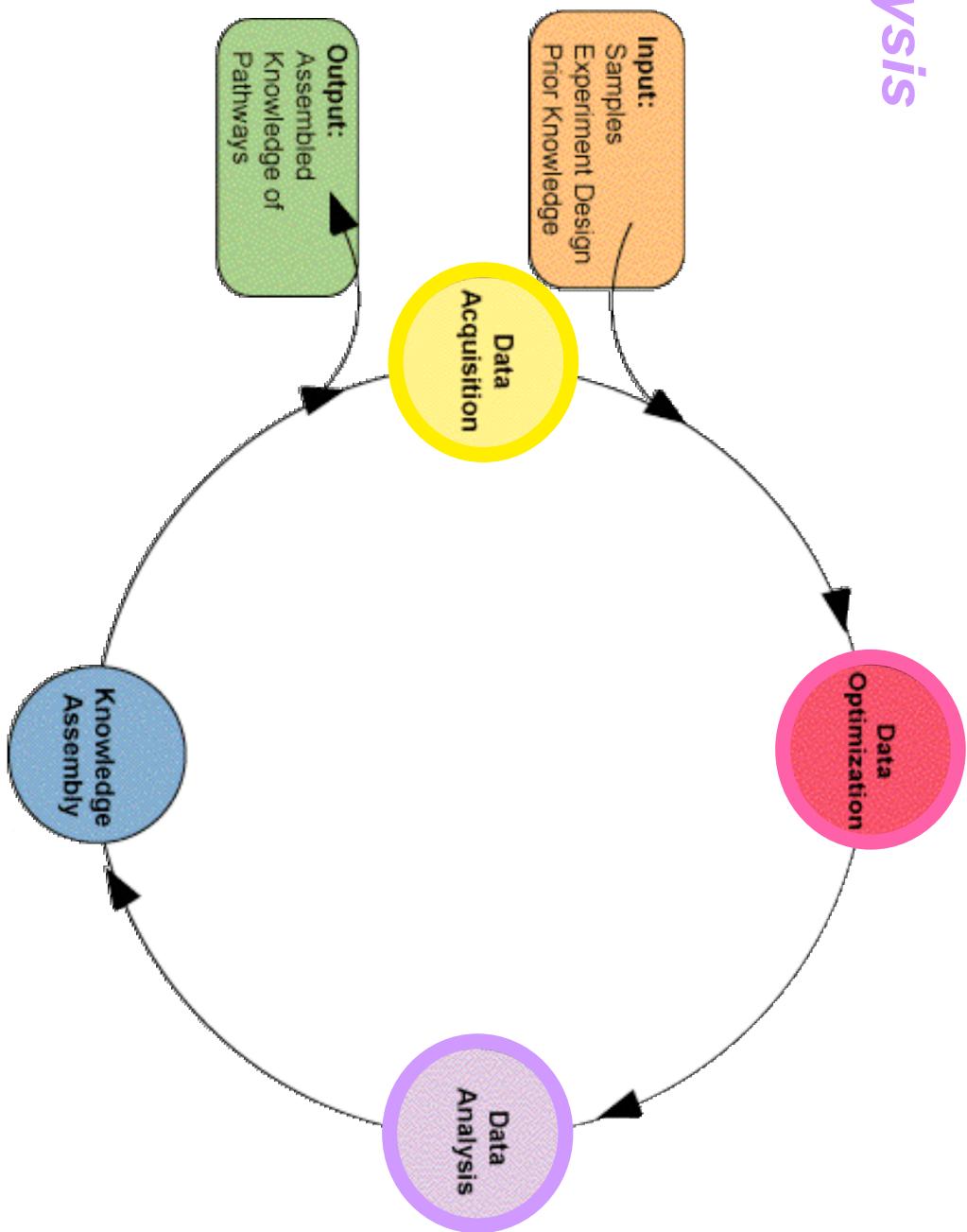
- Error1 *Measurement*
- Error2 *Integrity*
- Noise *Thermal*
- Randomness *Markov Process*
- Variance **Inherent Structure**

Proteomic, Metabolomic, Genomic— Integrated Differential Expression Profile



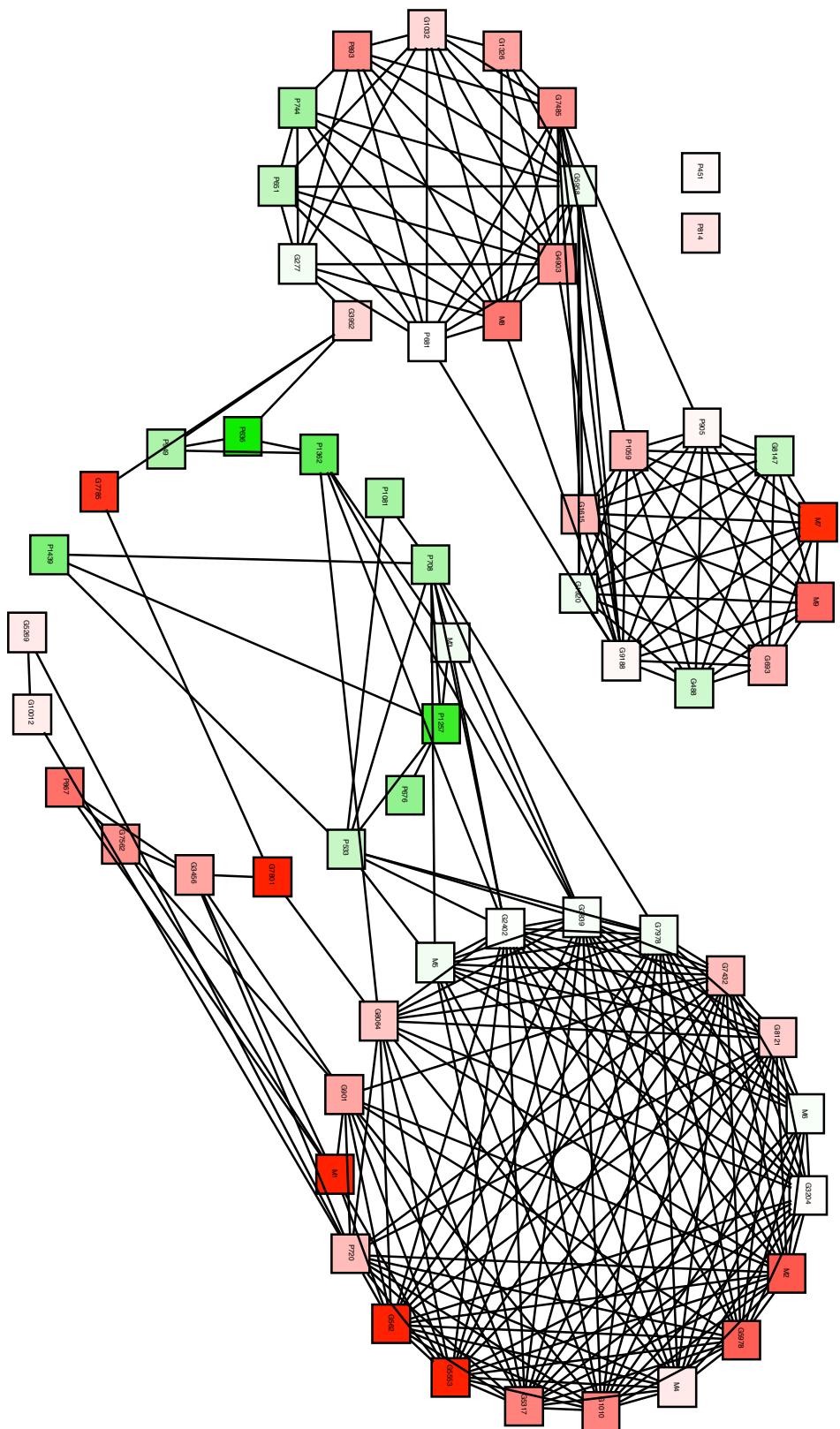
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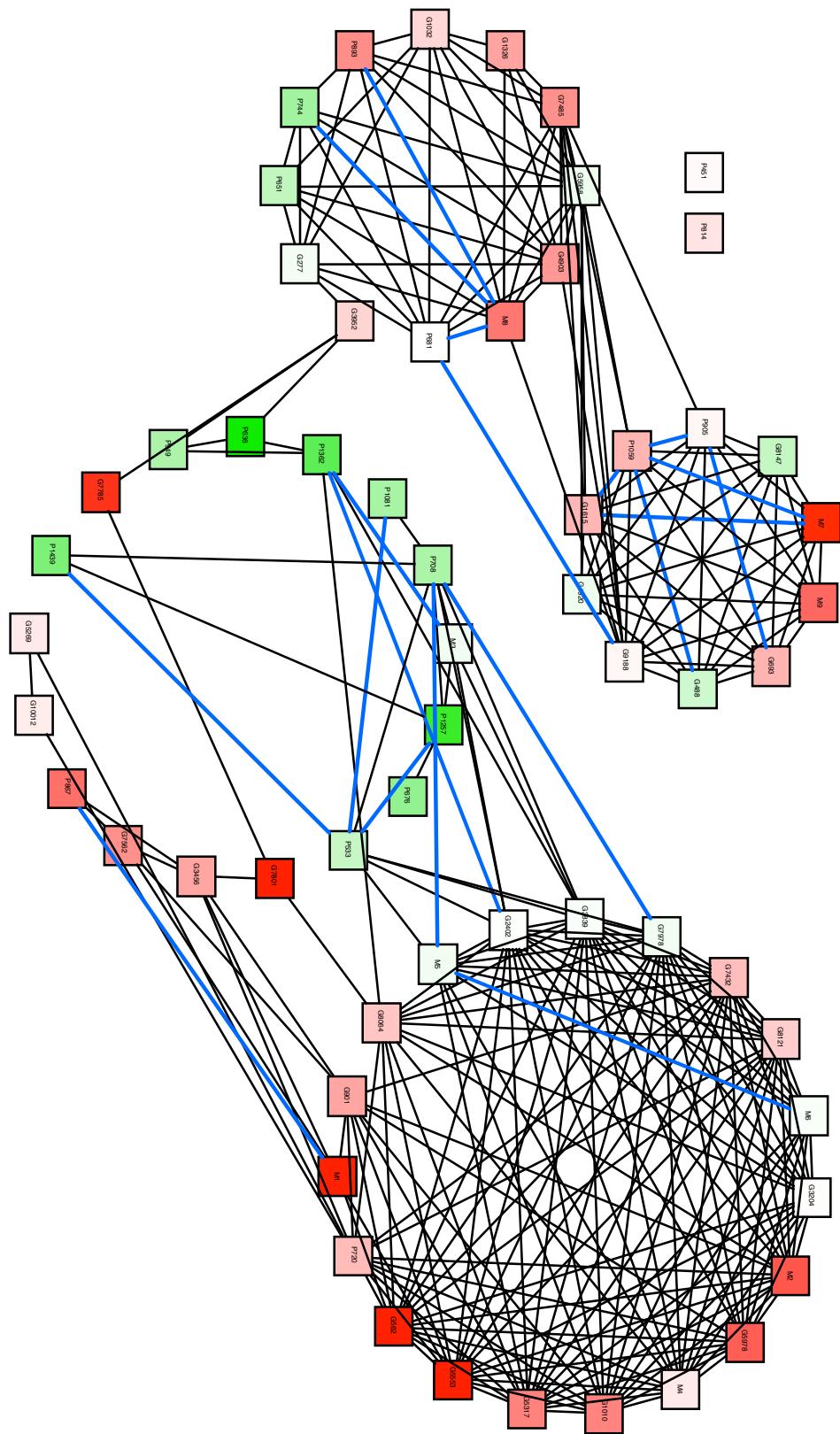
Association Network Analysis

Nodes connected based on high association using linear correlations, kernel PCA, or mutual information.



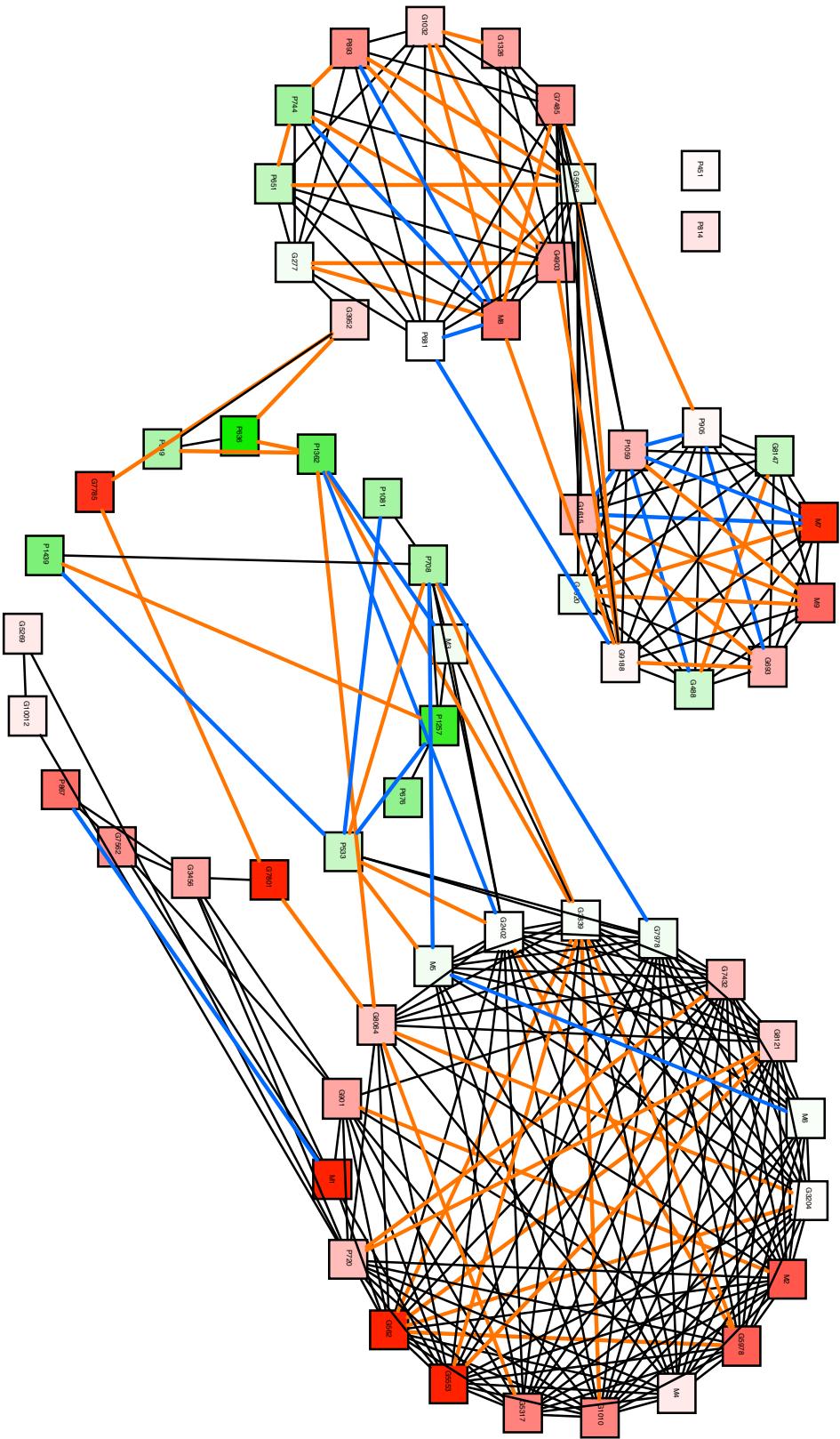
Association Network Analysis

Annotation of edges using information from databases



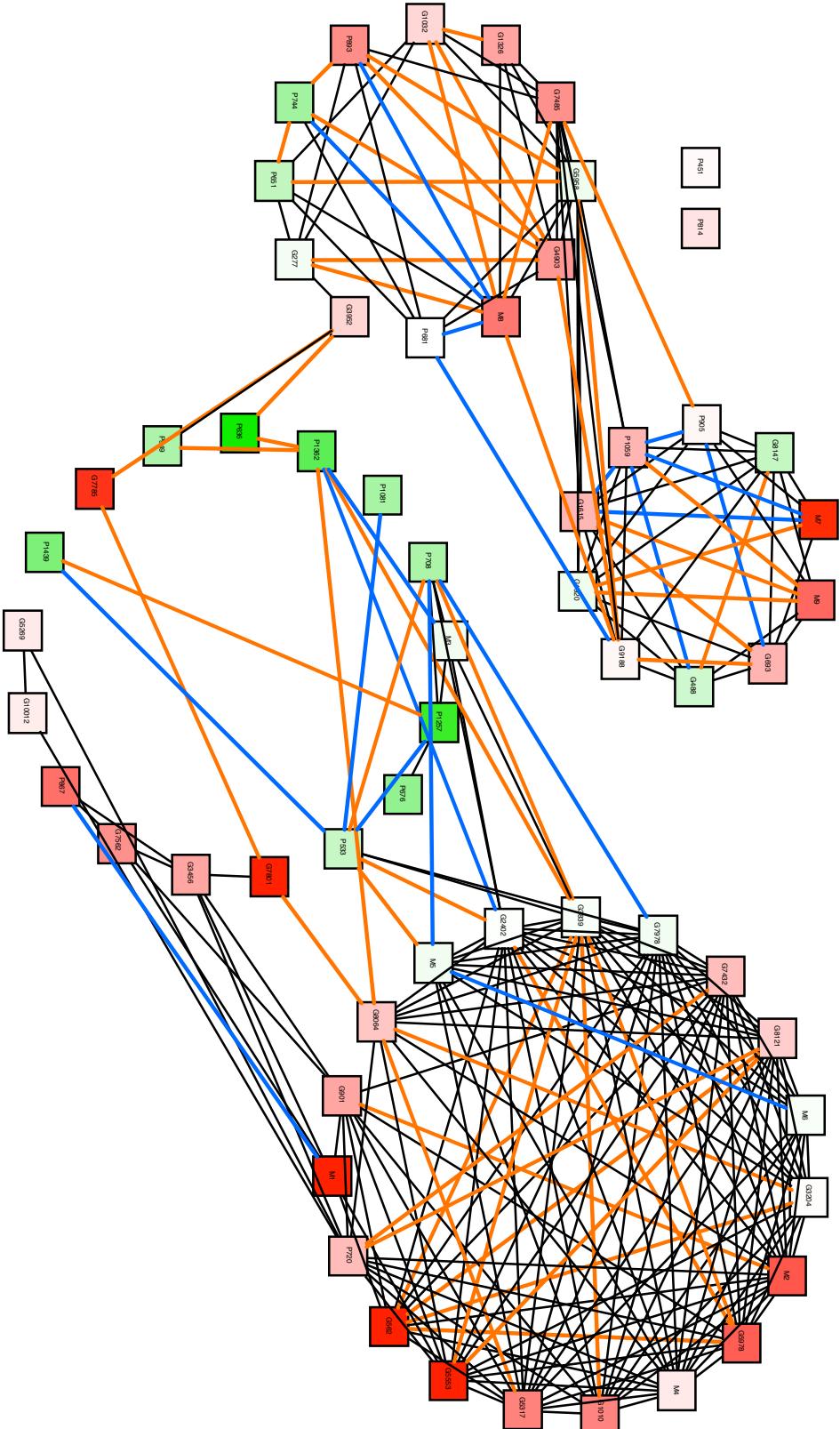
Association Network Analysis

Annotation of edges using information from literature:
Co-occurrences of gene/protein/metabolite names in literature

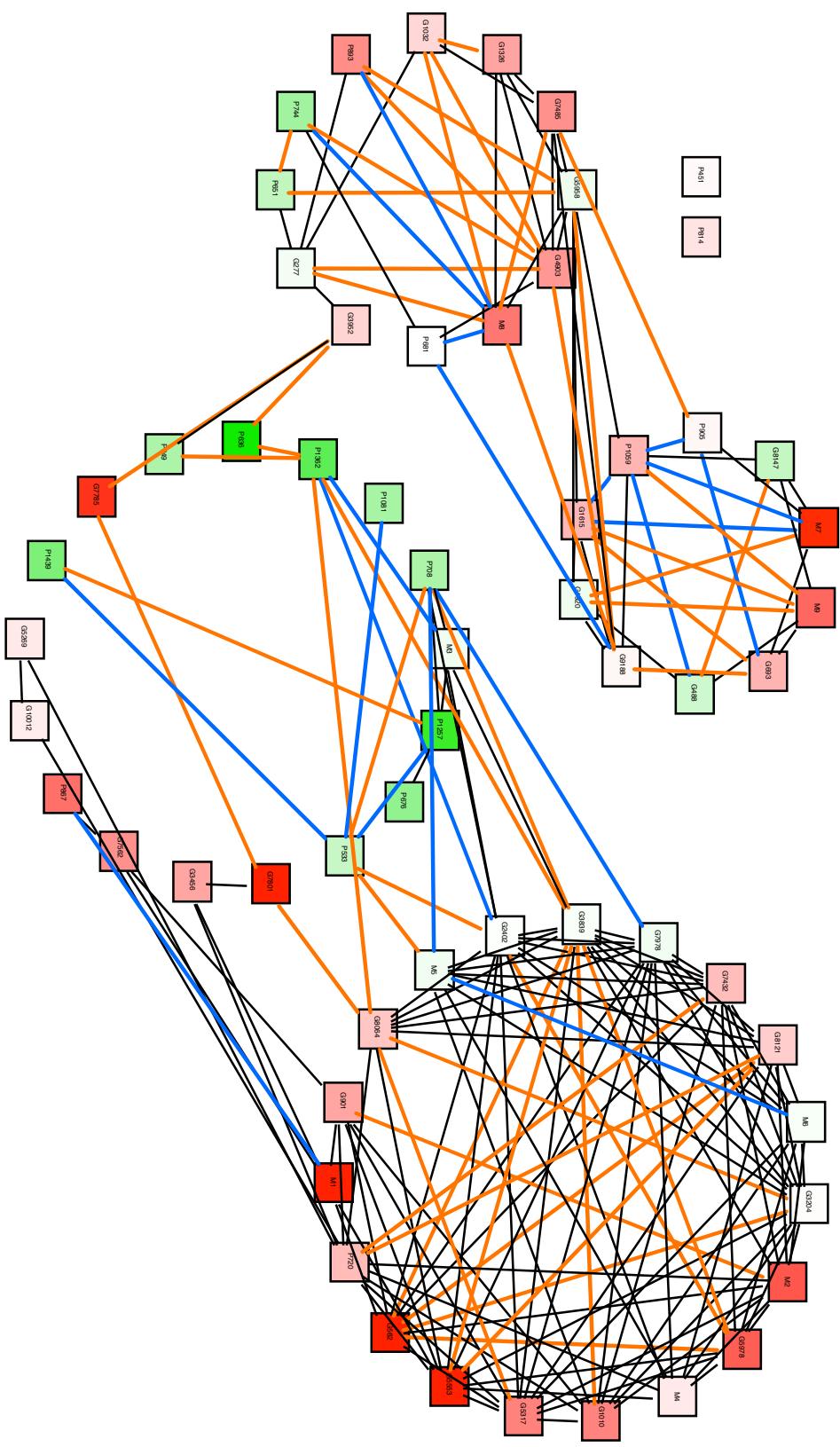


Association Network Analysis

Elimination of redundant edges based on observational data

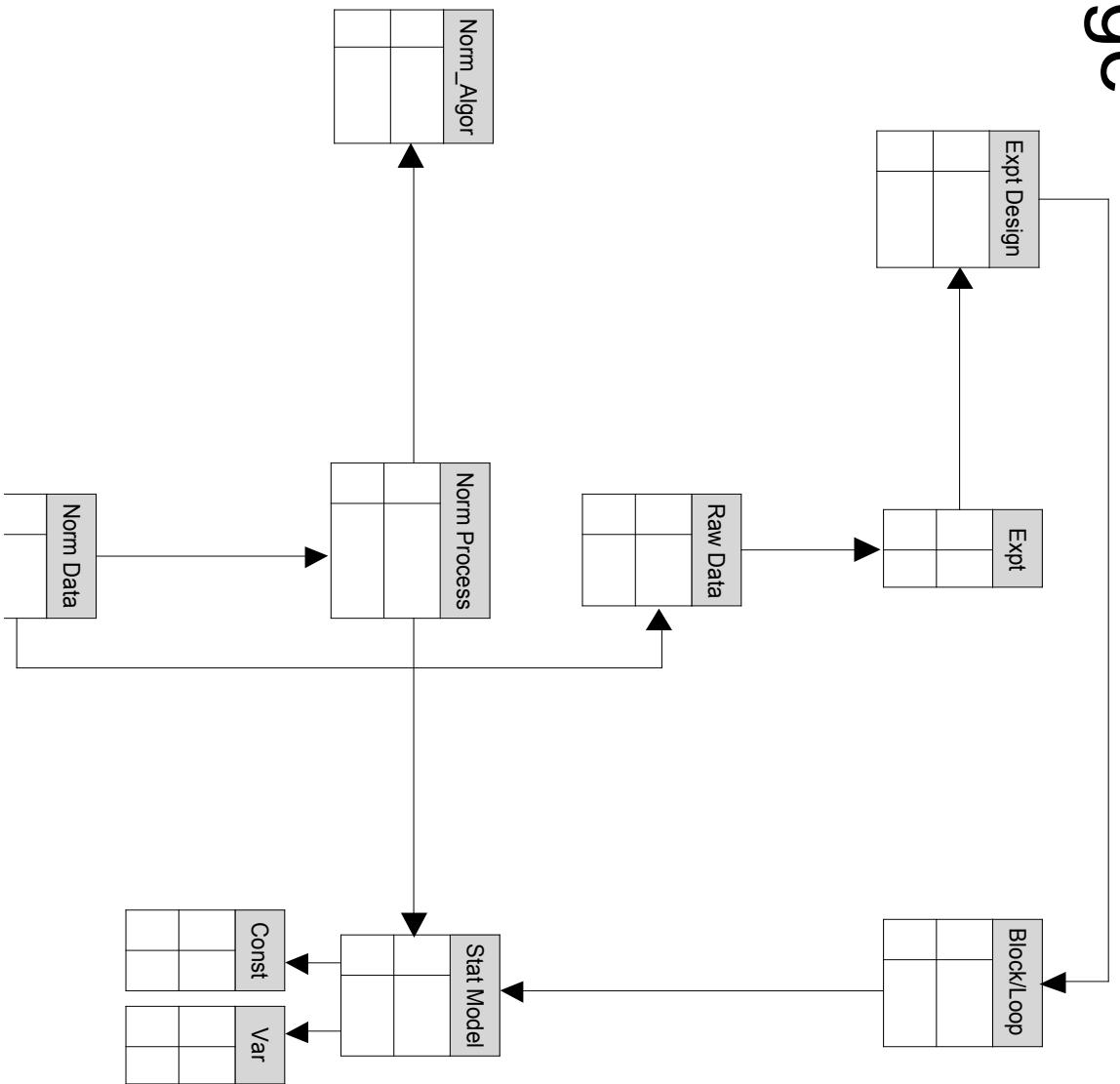


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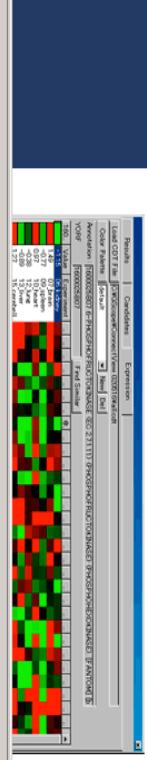
We are left with known and unknown associations. If no further “cleanup” is possible, need to start model building and discovery from here
(Network analysis, new hypothesis building, further experiments)

Statistical Model and Markup Language



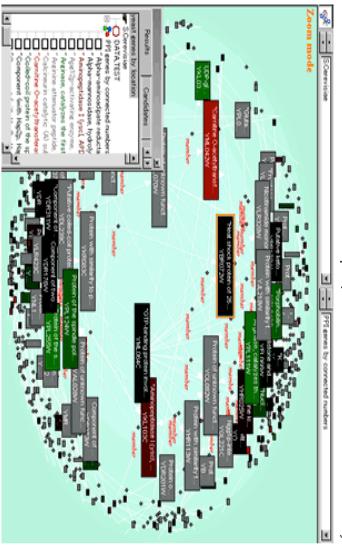
Pathway and Connection Visualization

- Bioinformatics + Pathways
 - Incellico
 - Genstruct
- Riken
- LSID – Common unique indexing system for mixing and merging heteroegenuous data in both views and knowledge ... ala DAS!
 - Ex: KEGG with LSID: Cmp(CAS), Rxn (EC), Enz (GB)



Viewing and Analyzing expression data on biological pathways

DNA microarrays are widely used to measure the expression levels of thousands of genes simultaneously. GSCope is designed for viewing and analyzing gene expression data in the context of biological pathways. GSCope has a function that filters thousands of gene expression data to extract statistically similar expression profiles. According to the researchers' requests in GSC, the above-mentioned filter is one of the most necessary function for integrated database of microarray and useful for biological network finding work by expert biologists. GSCope will be also helpful for analysis of protein expression levels.



We present a new visualization software for understanding multi-linked complex biomolecular network graphs by combining advantages of fisheye conversion function and clipping of connected structures. In analysis of biomolecular network graphs, it helps us to understand microscopic relationships between molecules, as well as to grasp an overview of a large whole graph. Biomolecular networks extracted from various sort of biological data tend to be highly complicated and incomprehensible because it is often the case that found connections among the molecules are far from simple, but intercrossed with many other connection lines.

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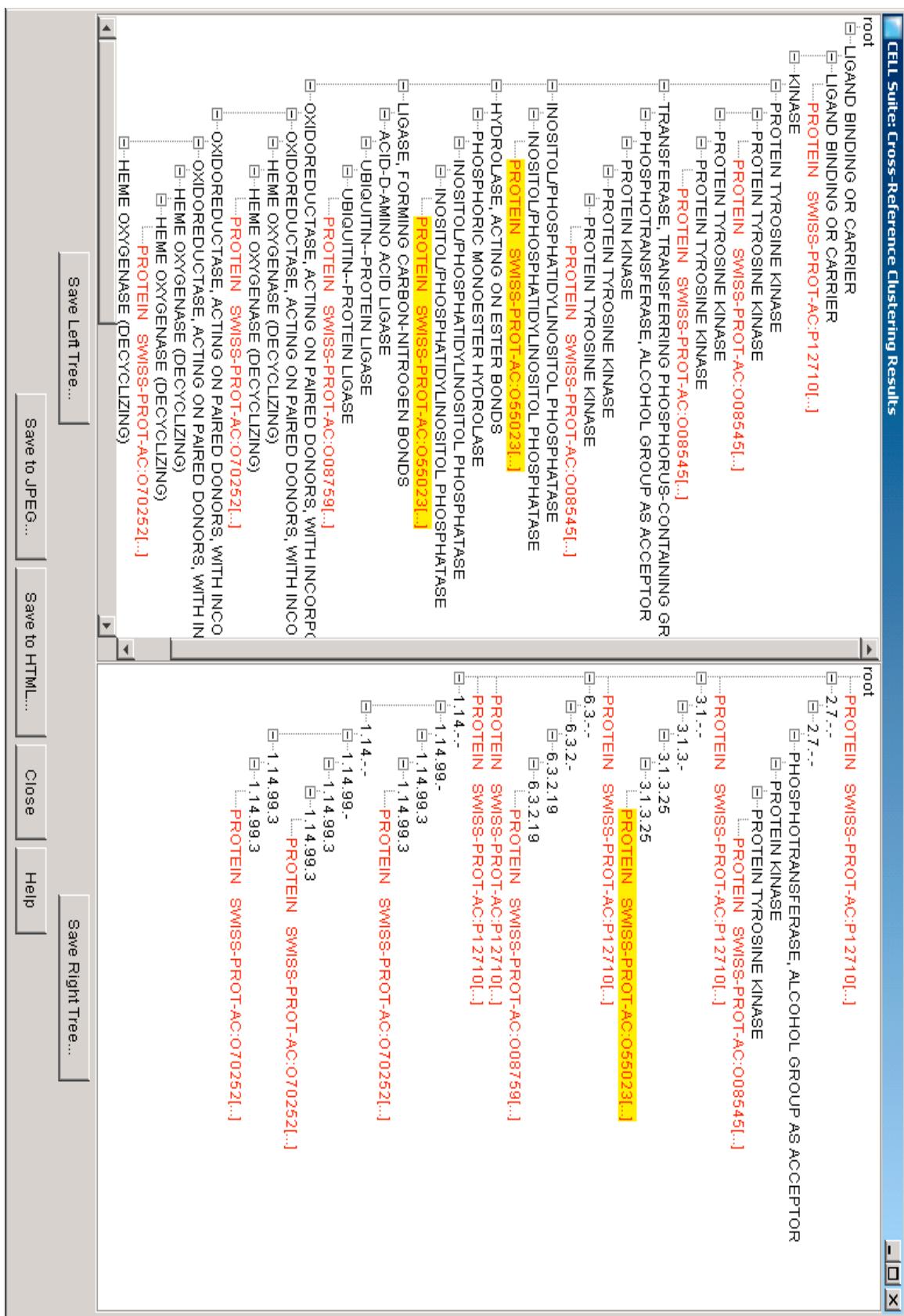
Data Analysis: CELL from Incellico

- A principal technology for knowledge integration is Incellico's CELL, a database of relationships between databases
- CELL allows experimental findings to be constrained and enhanced by prior knowledge
- CELL supports data navigation and high-throughput data analysis.

Databases Linked:

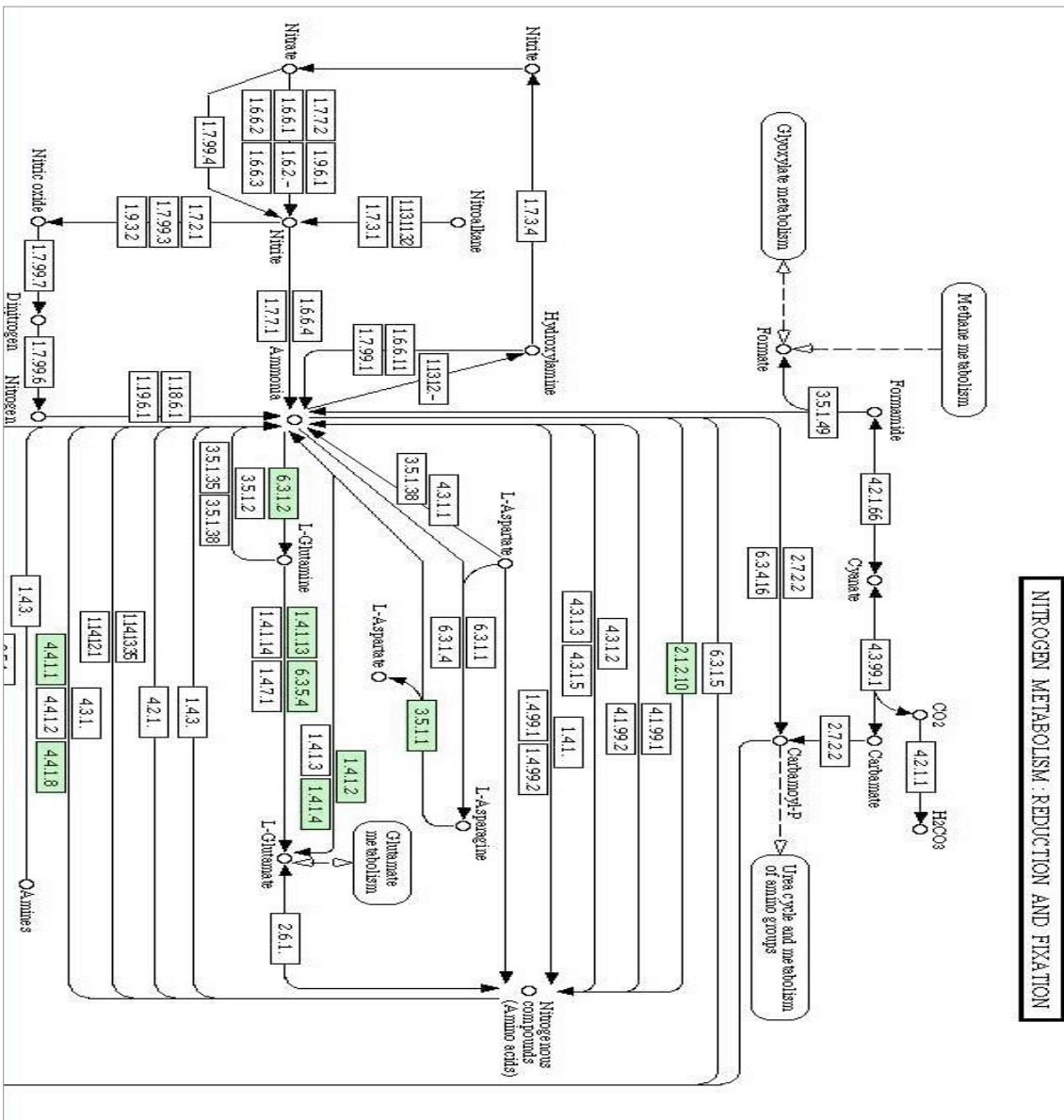
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- KEYWORD,
- PUBMED
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- LOCUSLINK
- RATMAP-ID
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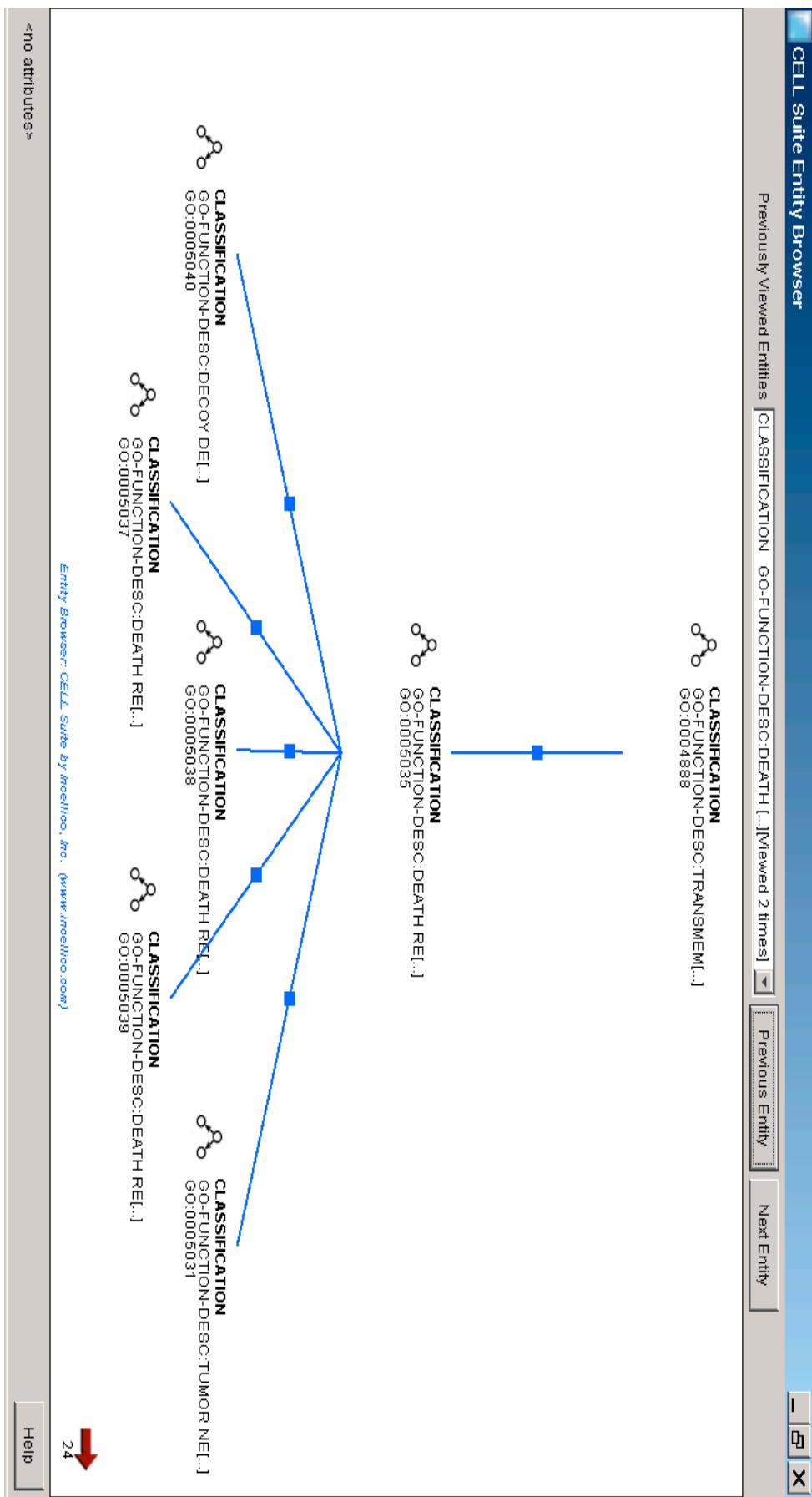


KEGG Metabolic Pathways

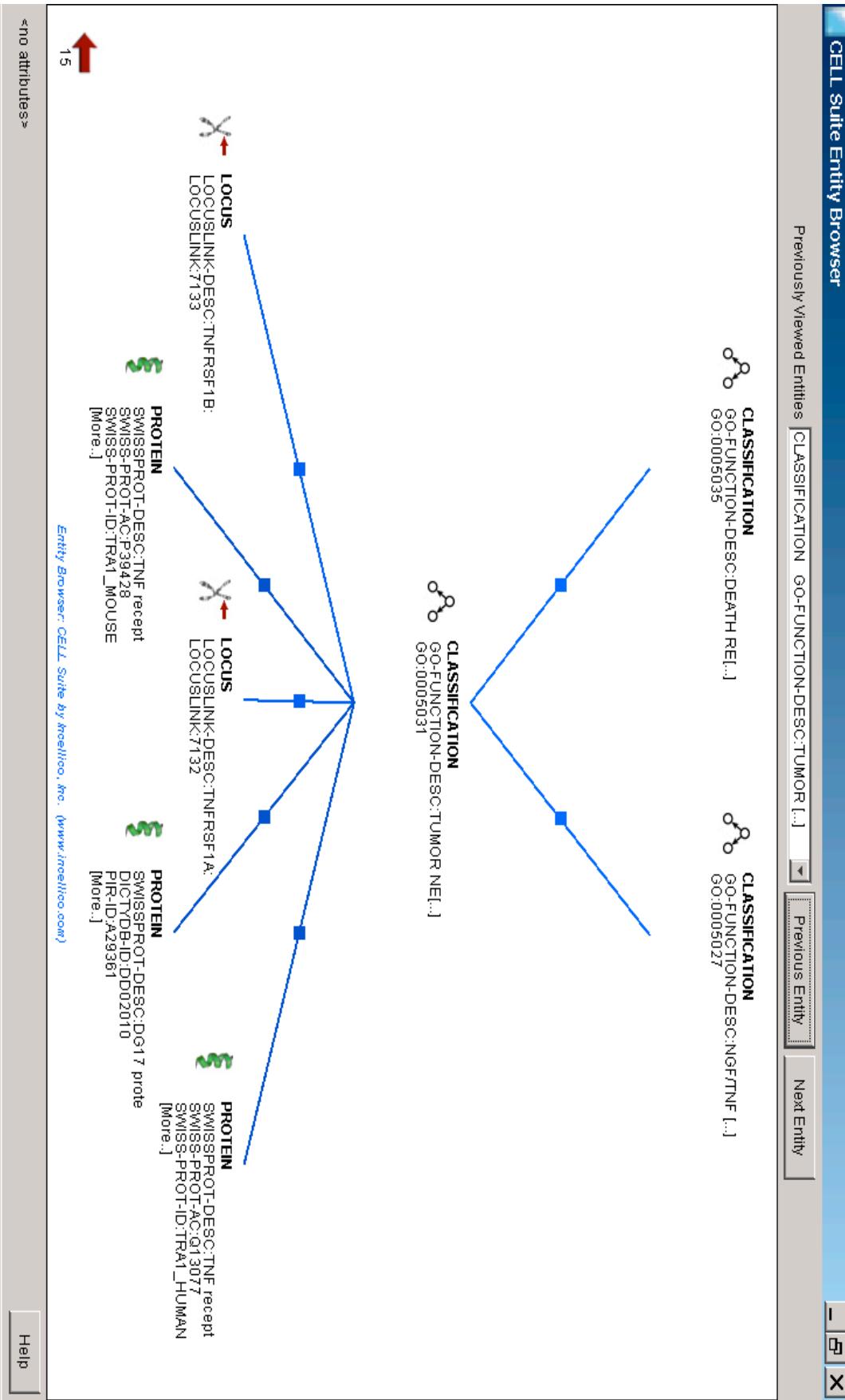
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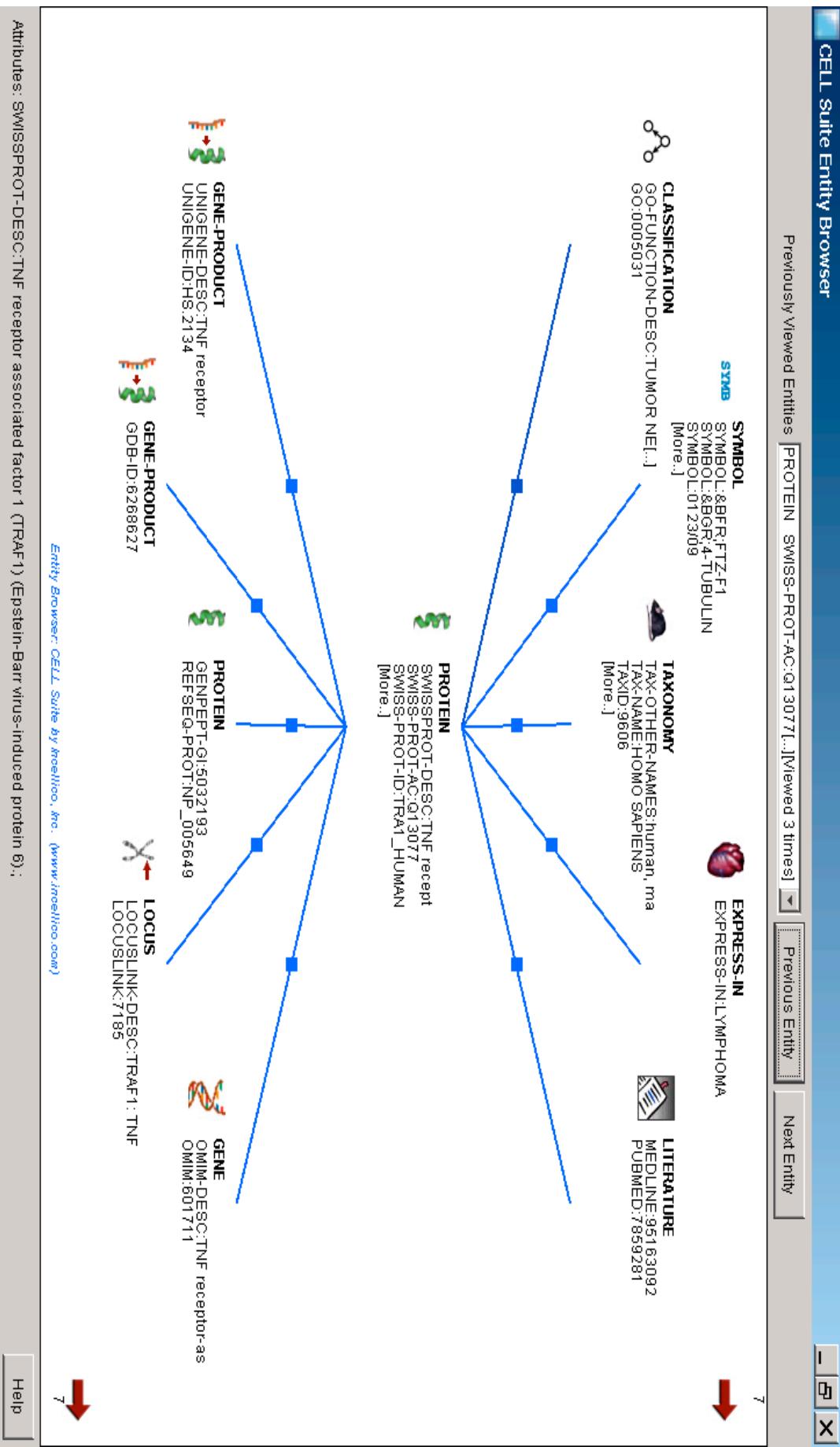
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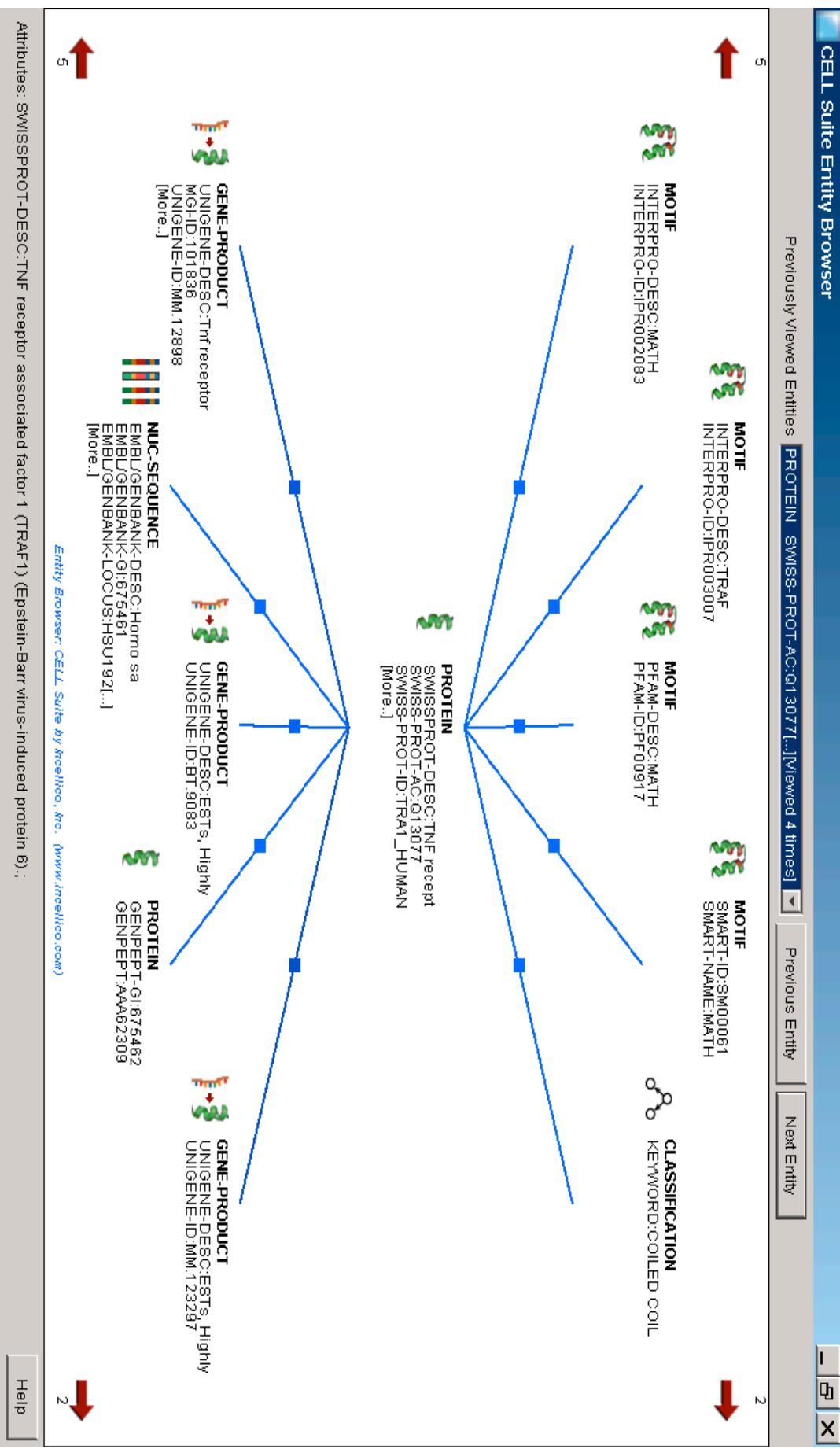
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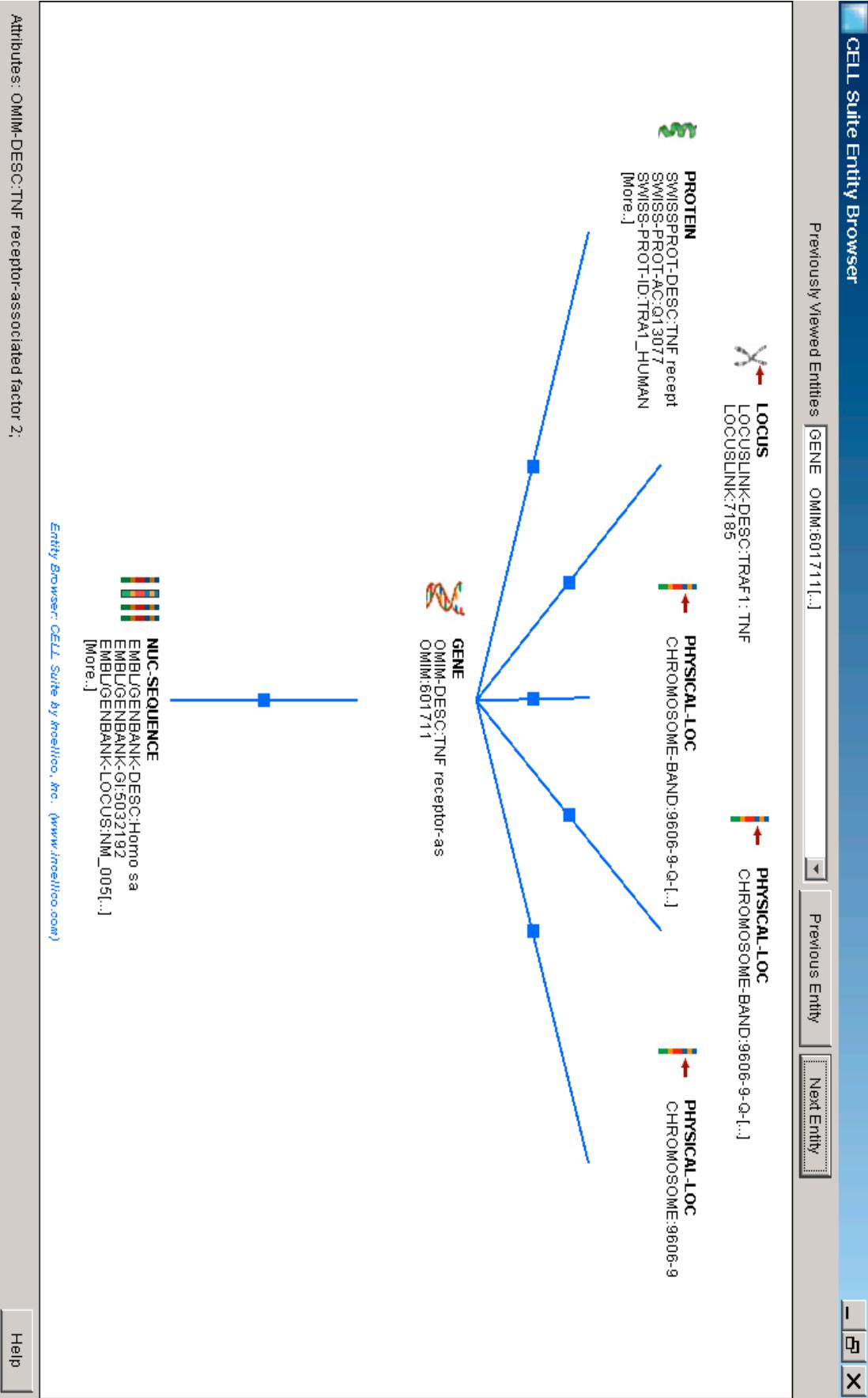
Choose the Human Protein and view the full range of associated data



Horizontal Scrolling Allows Searching the Breadth of Data

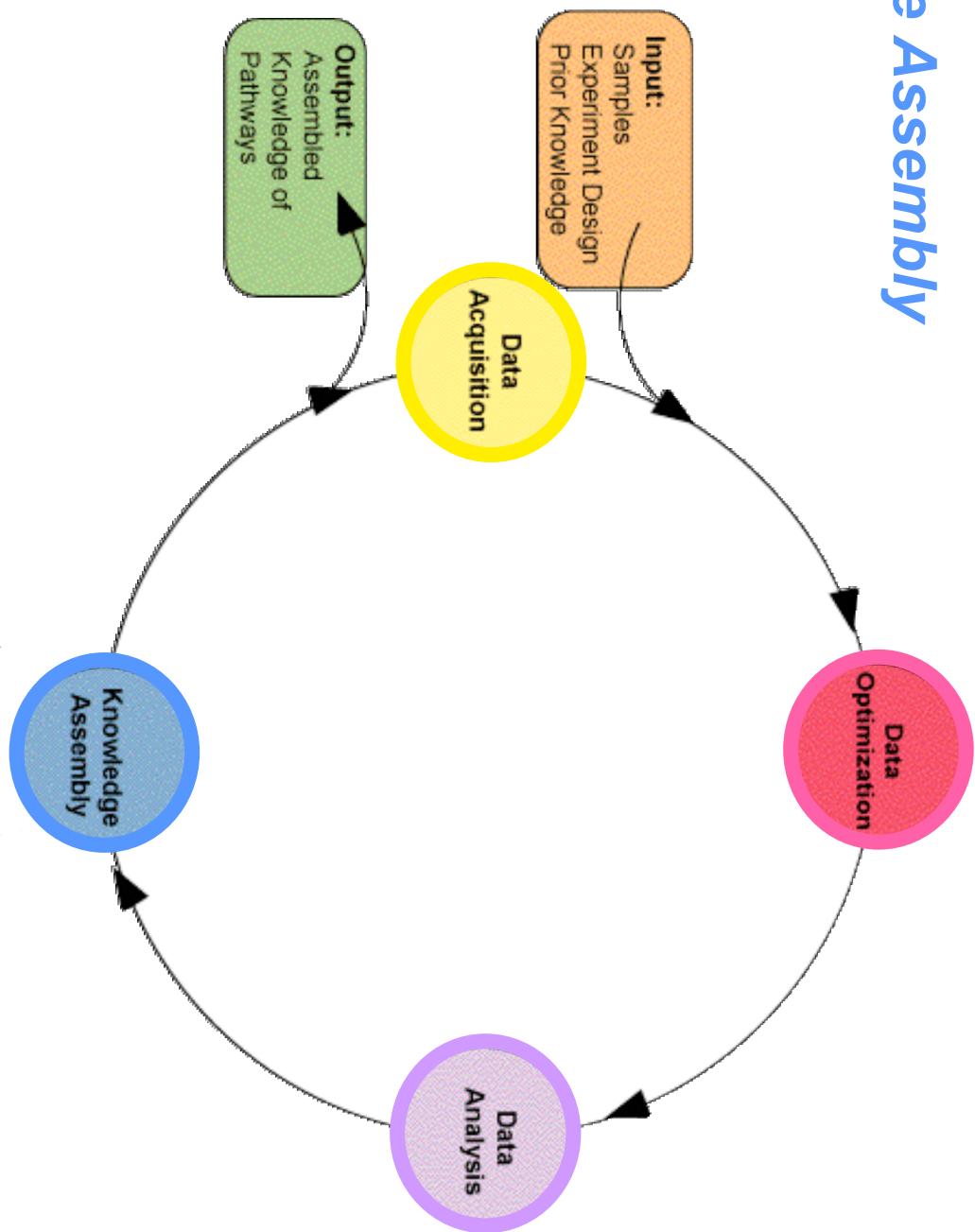


Locus Link accessible via Nucleic Sequence



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Knowledge Assembly



Knowledge Representation / Assembly: (Genstruct)

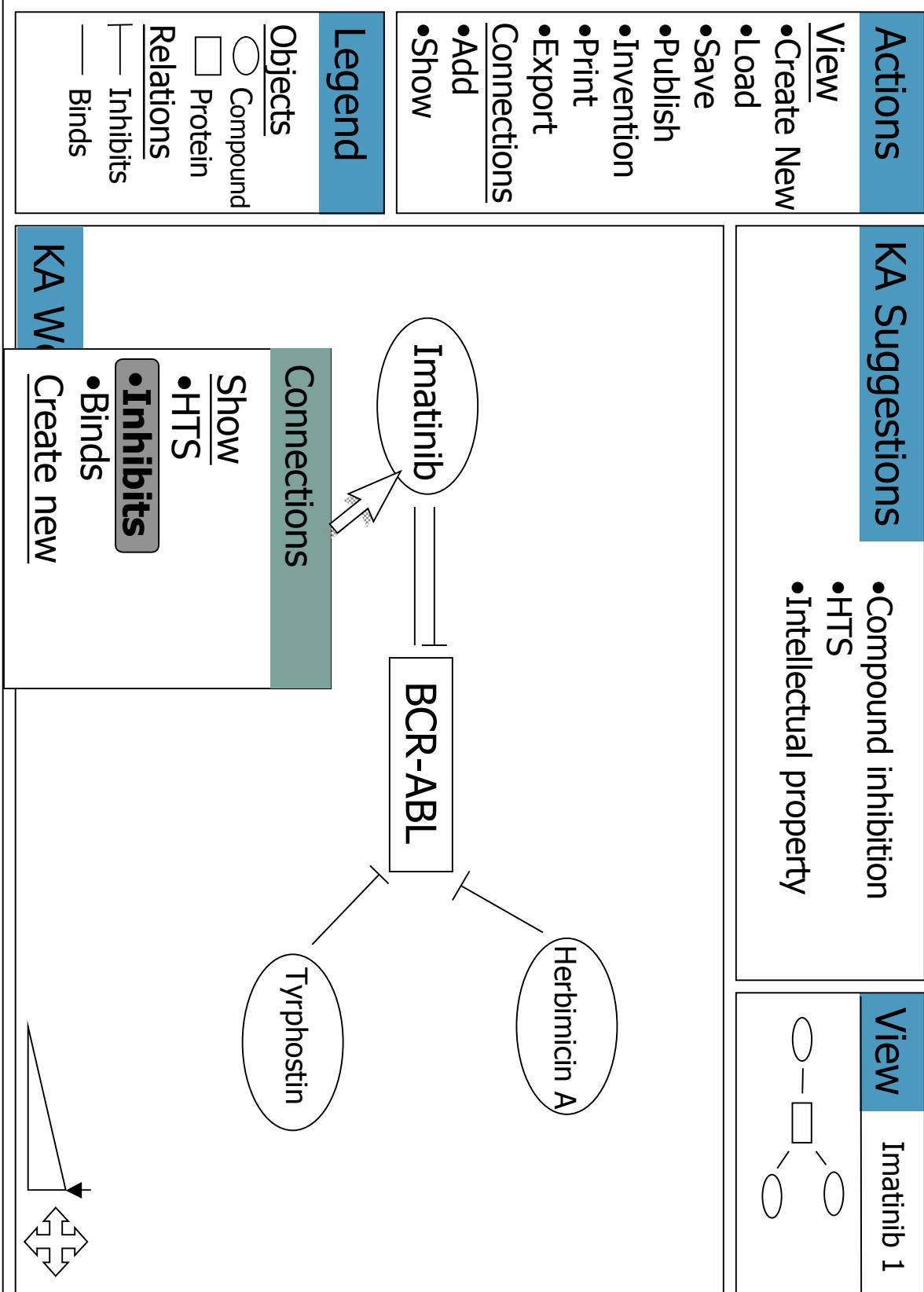
- Provides Expressivity to Biology; many complex semantics that WILL change in time, that need to be captured!
- Provides a software environment for revealing the logic of biology
- Uses technology that renders connections of any type (logic bytes) in an environment in which scientists can:
 - Navigate connections between biological objects and concepts
 - Query the connections
 - Reason computationally

Discovery Environment



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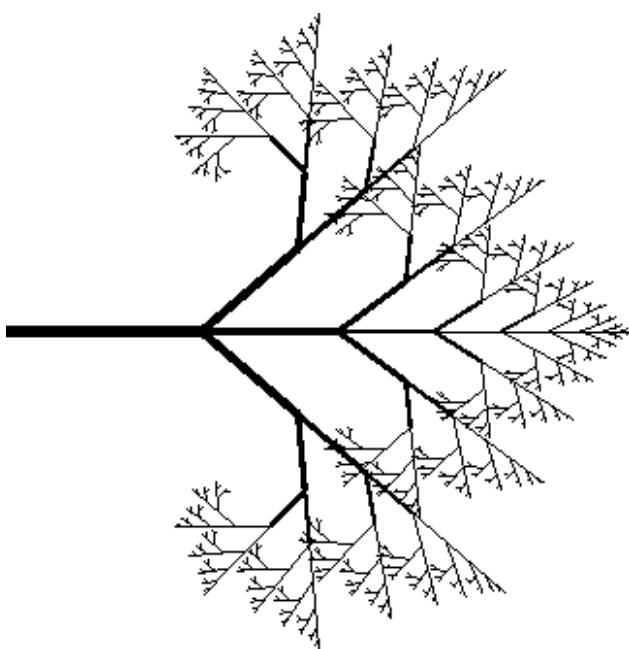
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<u>KA Workspace</u>	<p>c-kit</p> <p>PDGFR</p> <p>Platelet-derived Growth factor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Function Also known as Domains Sequence Expressed in Add to Core View <p>CR-ABL</p> <p>Tyrosine</p> <p>Herbin</p> <p>Imatinib 1</p> <p>Attributed</p>

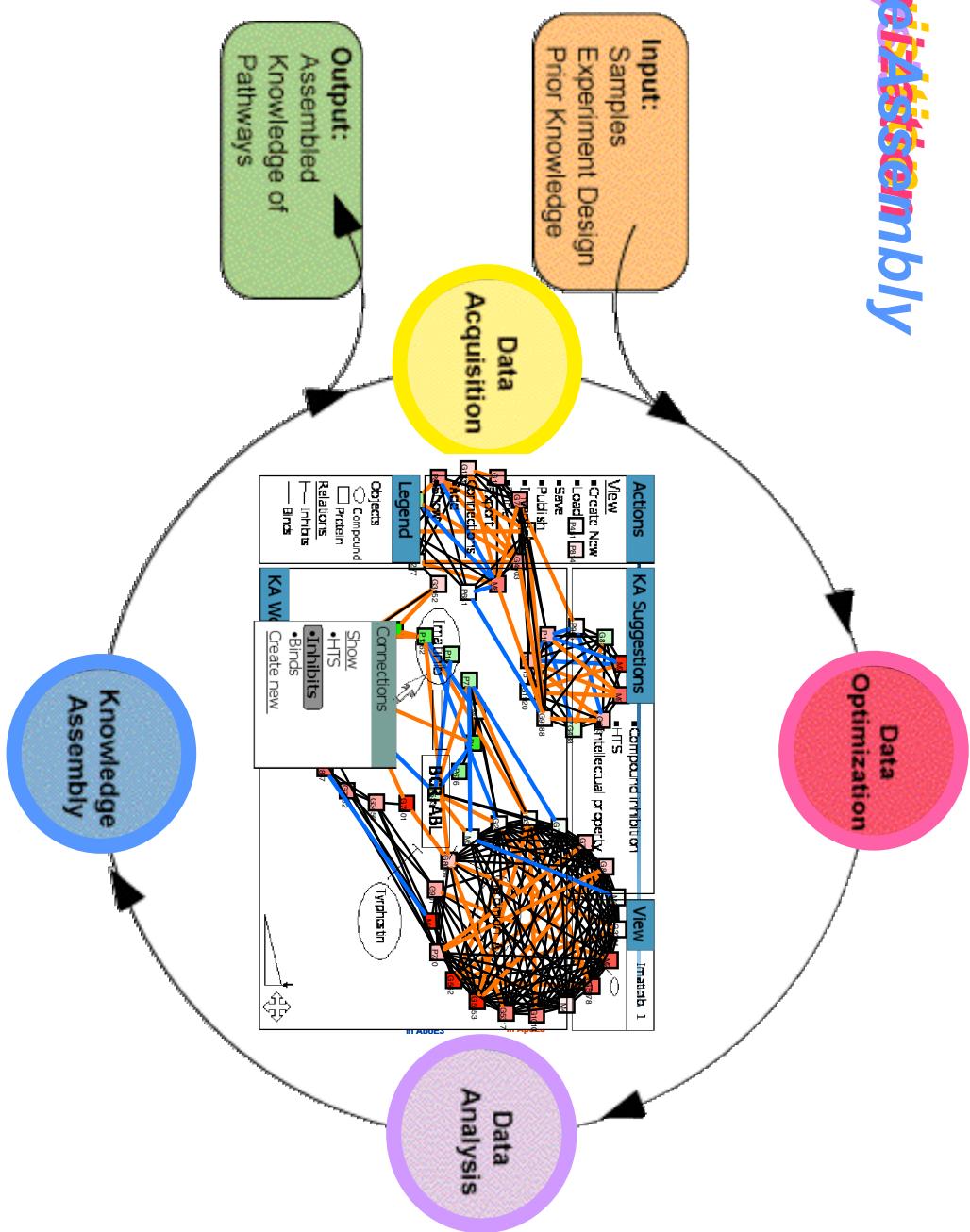
Computational Reasoning in the Knowledge Base

- Ontologies: biologic axioms, normalized nomenclature
- Algorithms: Relevance network analysis, Bayesian nets
- Knowledge mining: Graph equivalence, Arborescence, Hamiltonian paths and subgraph matching
- Intelligent Agents: User-defined parameters/algorithms search assembled knowledge



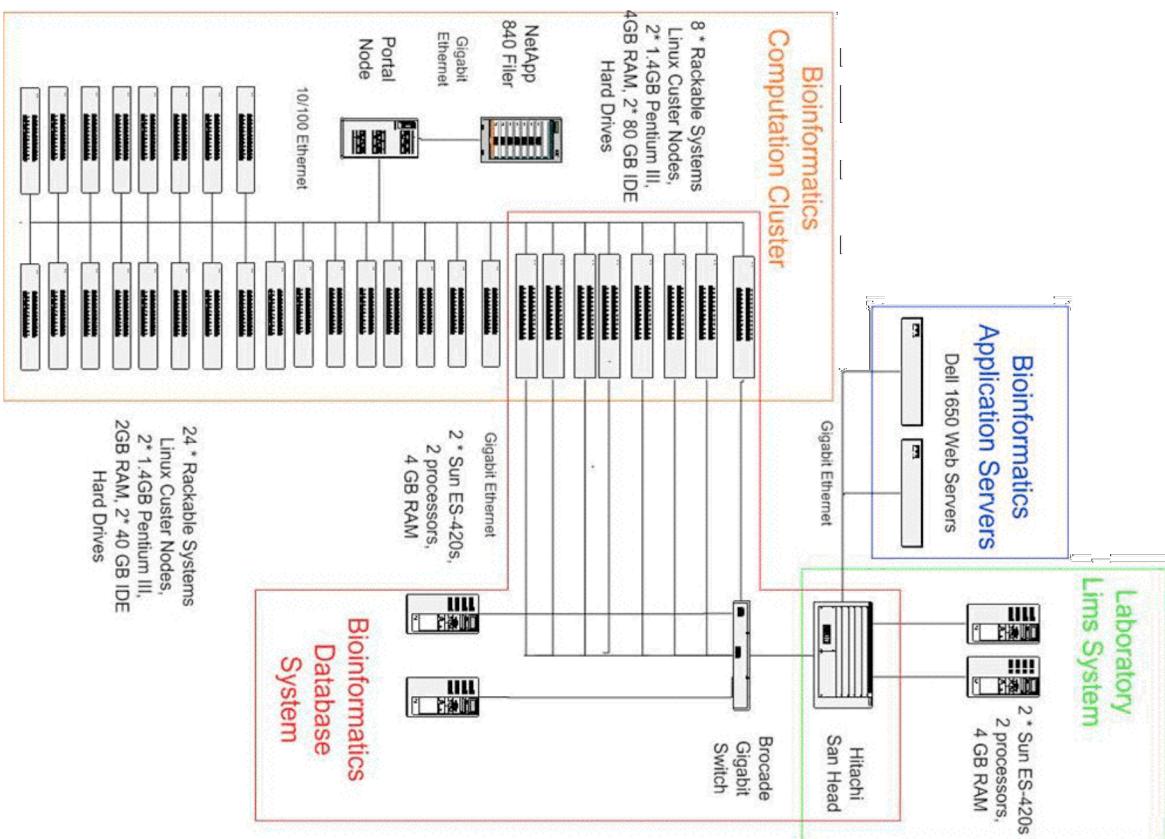
The Integrated Flow:

Knowledge Assembly



BioSystematics™ at Beyond Genomics:

Hardware Platform



Issues raised by Use of Clusters

- Clustered computing solutions are often a good way to cope with the need for increased computational power, but . . .
- *What a world needs is a good cluster management tool*
- The problem of “by processor licensing”

Reiteration

- Moving Beyond the Genome Utopia: Systems Biology requires Bioinformatics to take its tools, expertise and agenda to a higher level
- Standards to Cope with Proliferation of Platforms and Vendors
- Lims Systems and Pipeline Management
- Data Analysis Standards
- Visualization Tools
- Working with Clusters, Avoiding Bankruptcy

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