

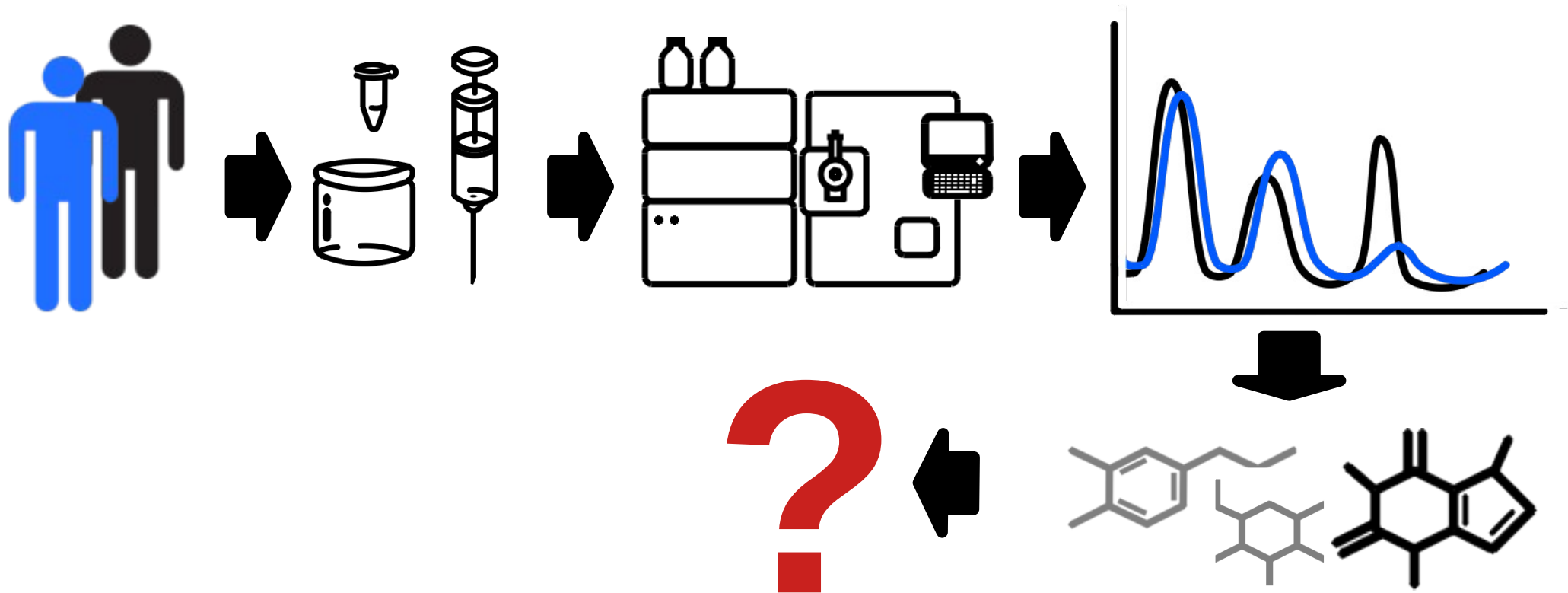
➤ Définir la distance métabolique

opportunités pour l'interprétation des données omiques et l'exploitation des bases de connaissances

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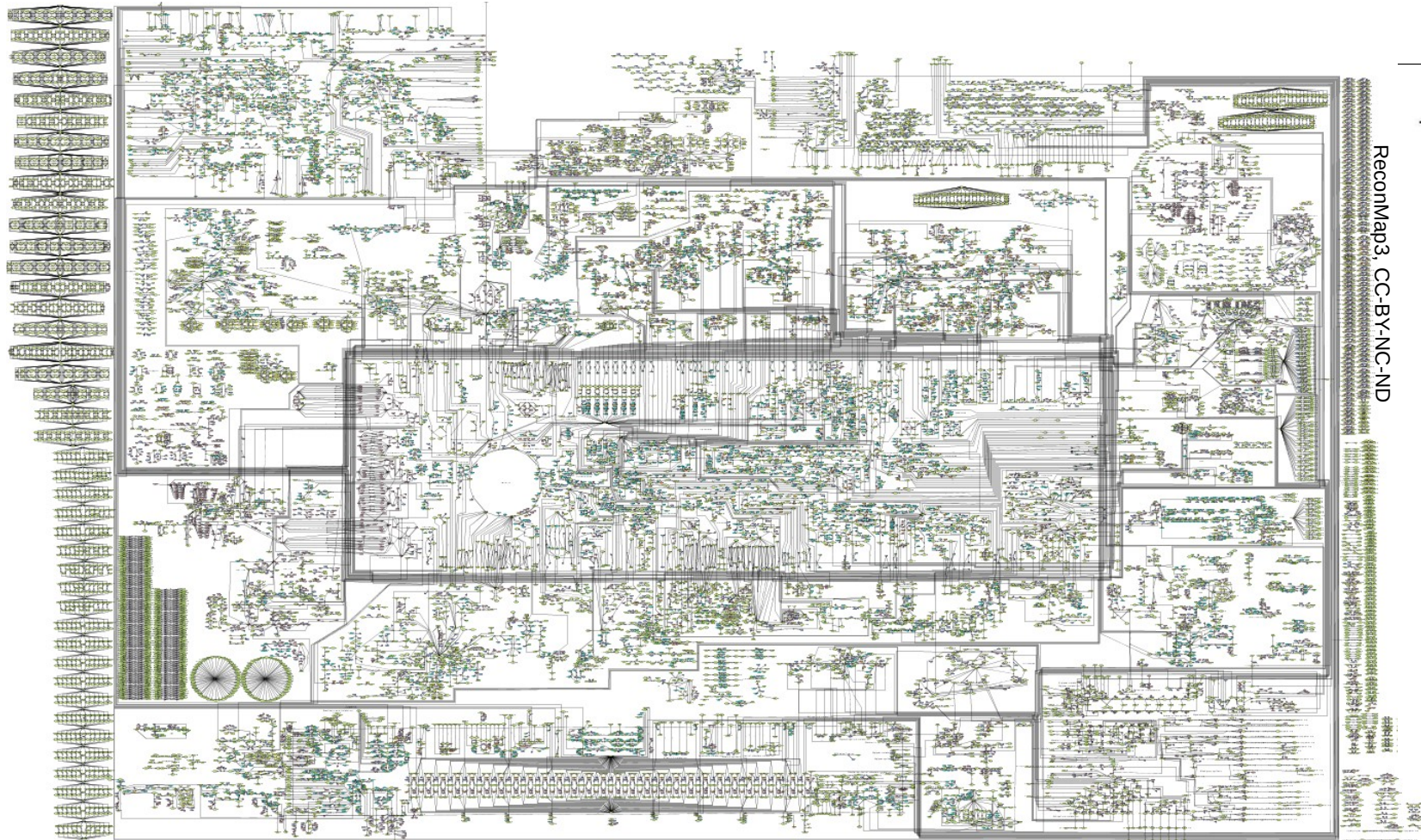
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Contextualizing metabolomics data for interpretation

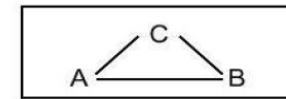


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Leveraging metabolic models



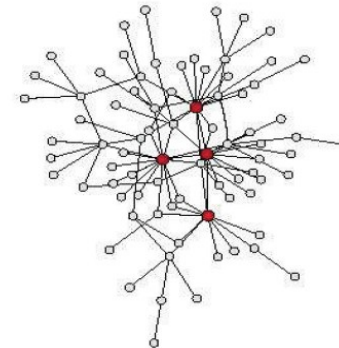
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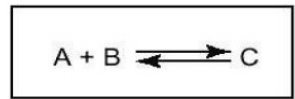
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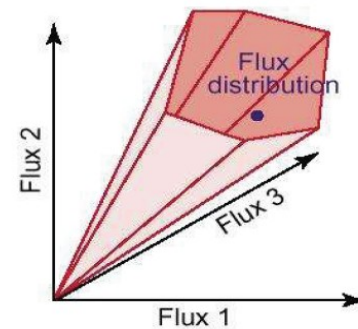
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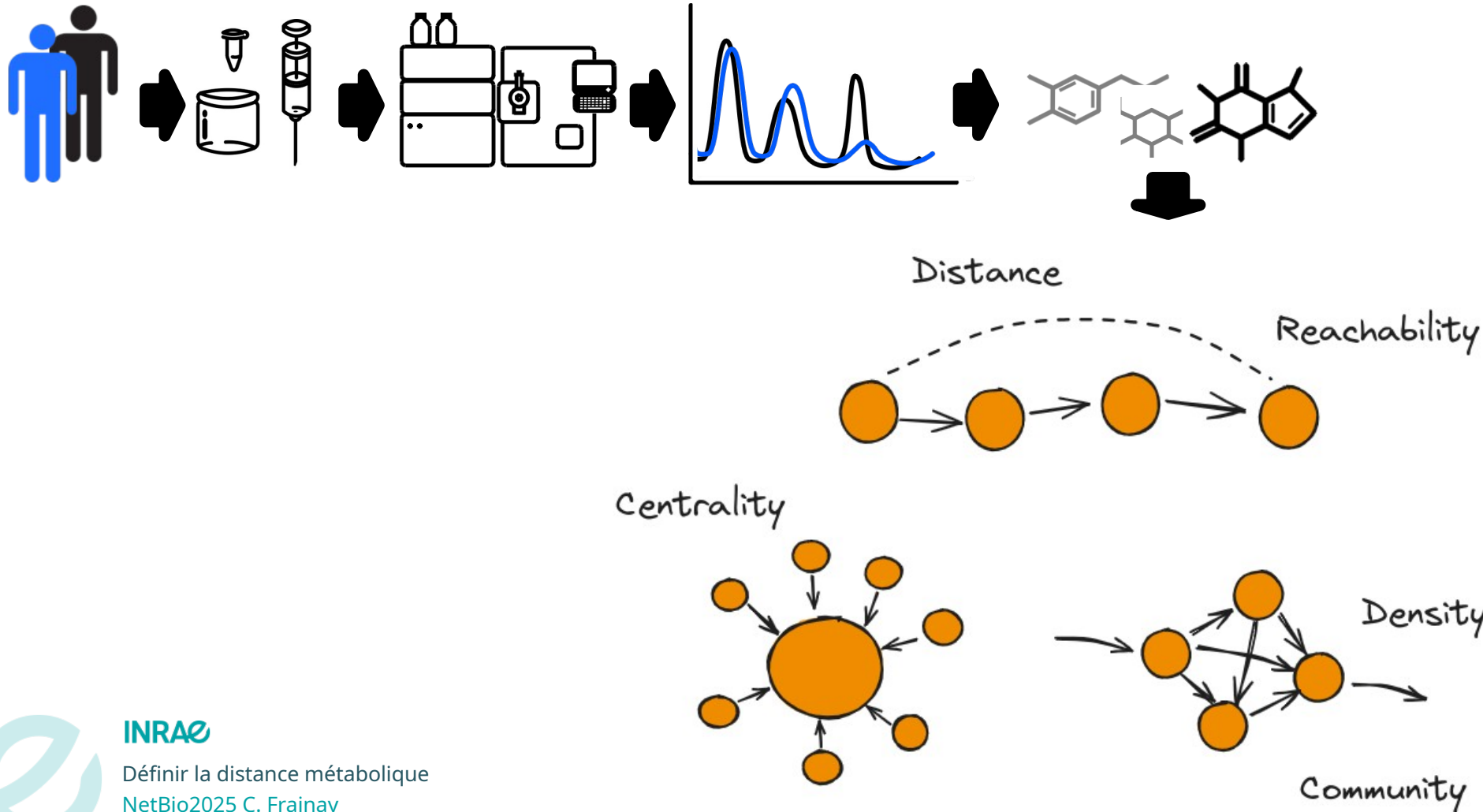
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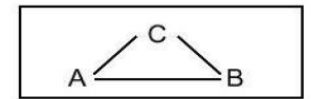


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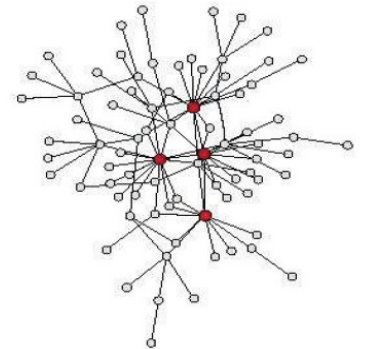
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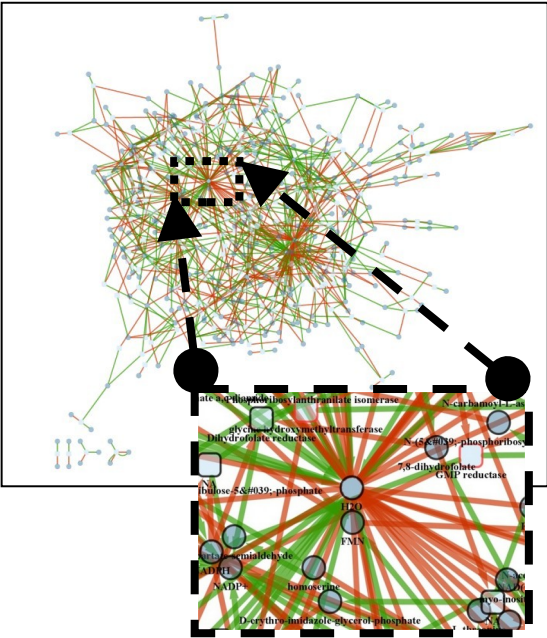
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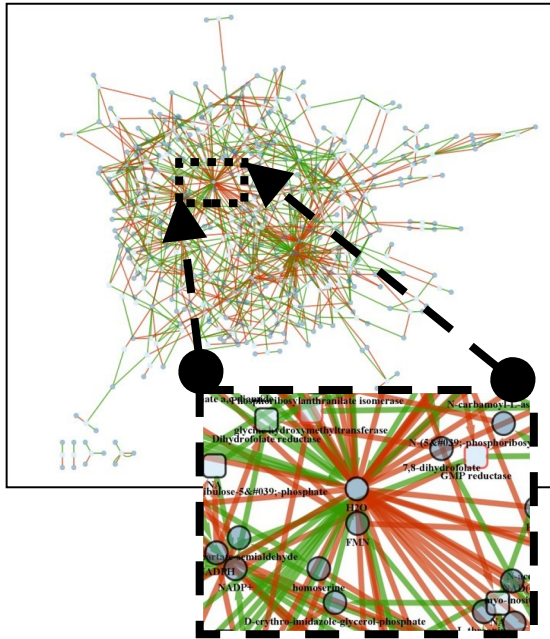
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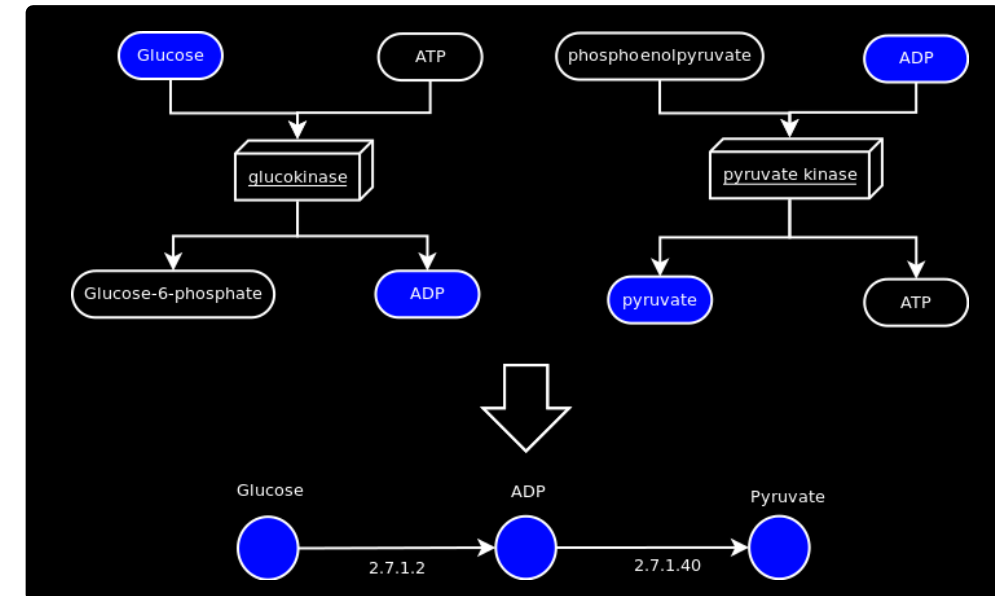
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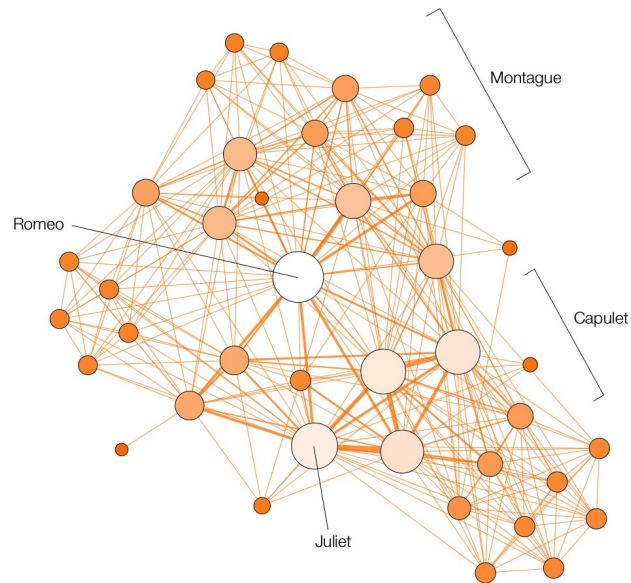
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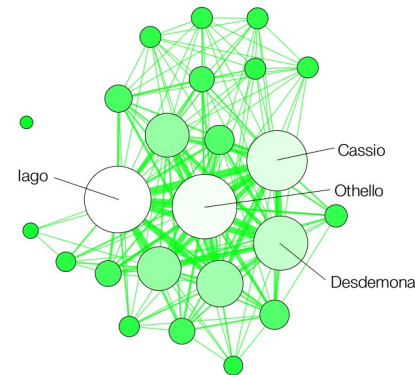
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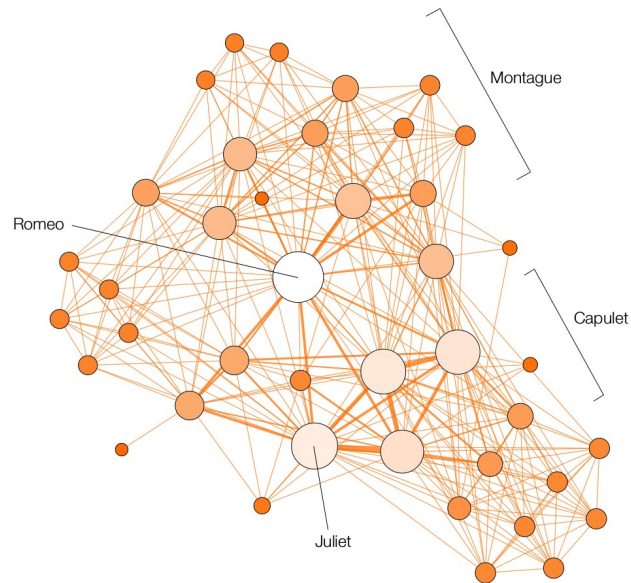
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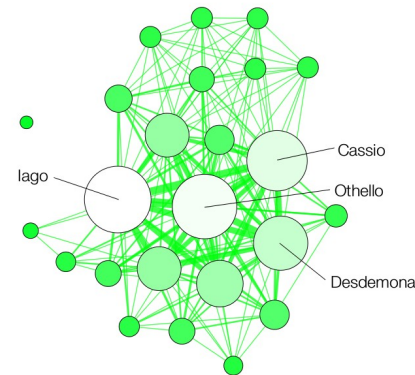
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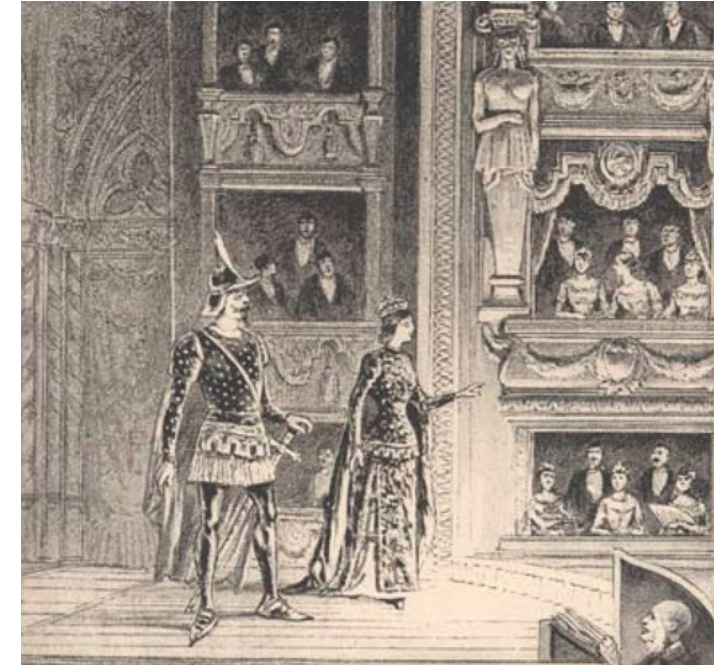


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Counting this fellow = drastic changes in the network structure



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METABOLIC ENGINEERING

The small world of metabolism

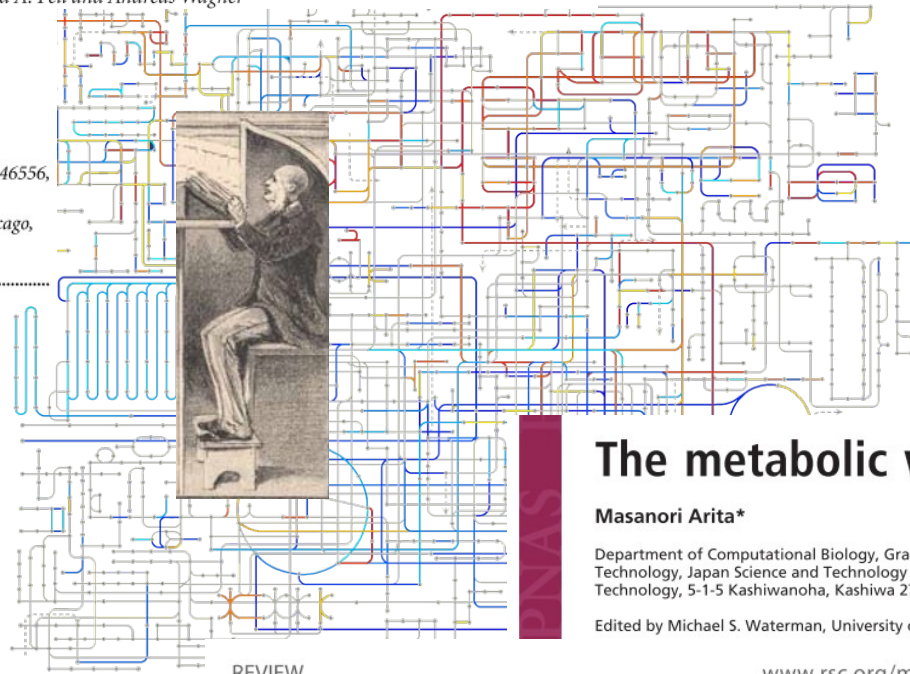
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REVIEW

The metabolic world of *Escherichia coli* is not small

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Processing practice regarding S.C. caused a lot of disagreements on metabolic networks topology and properties

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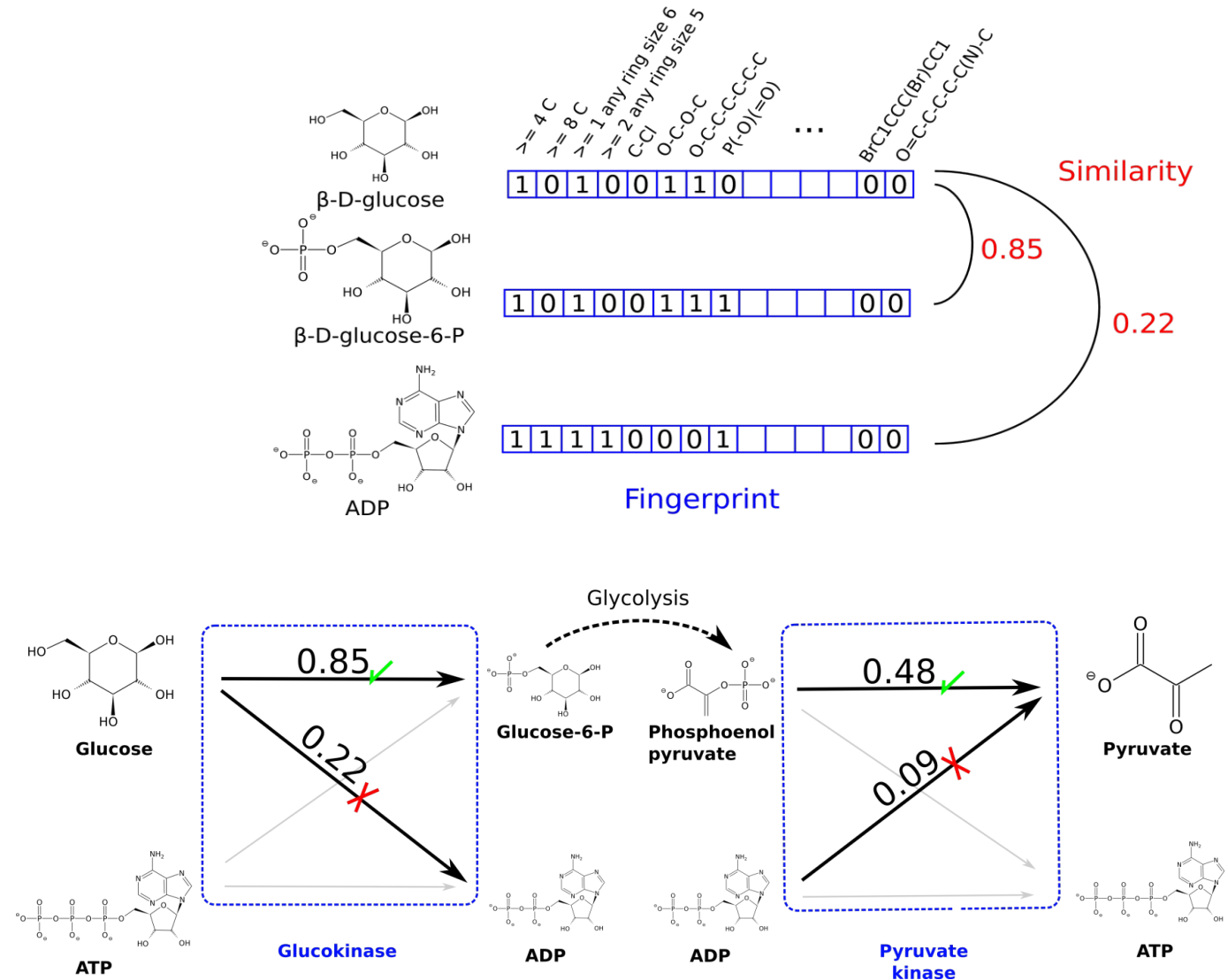
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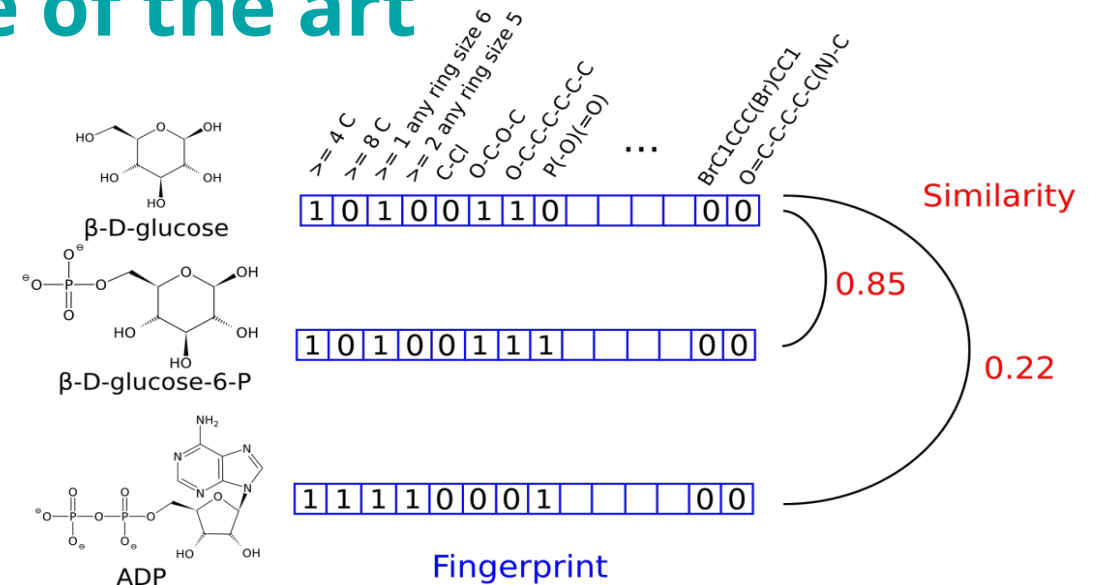
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- might need thresholding



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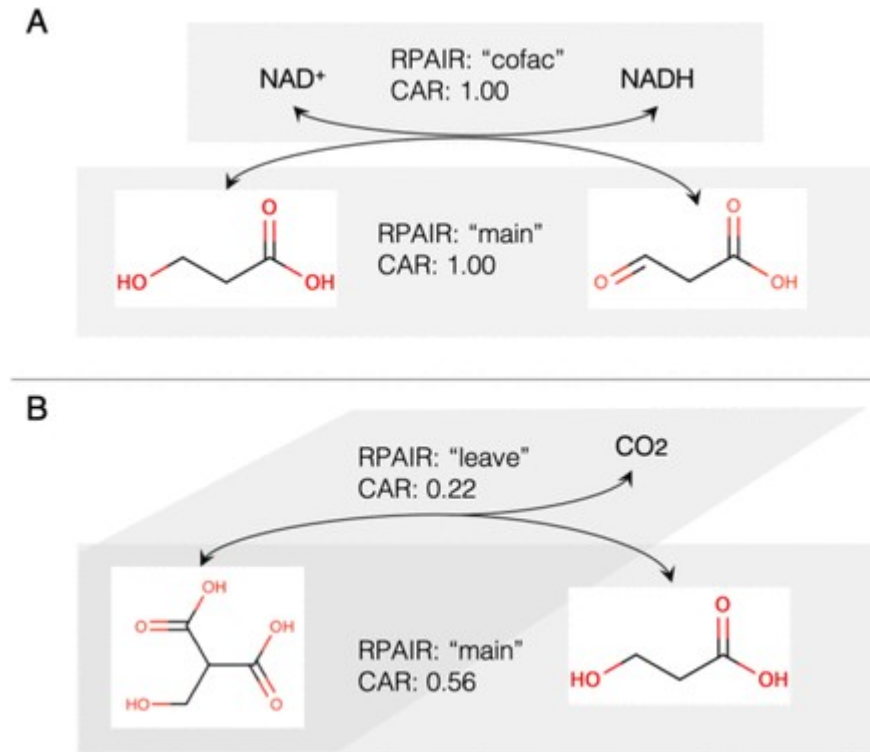
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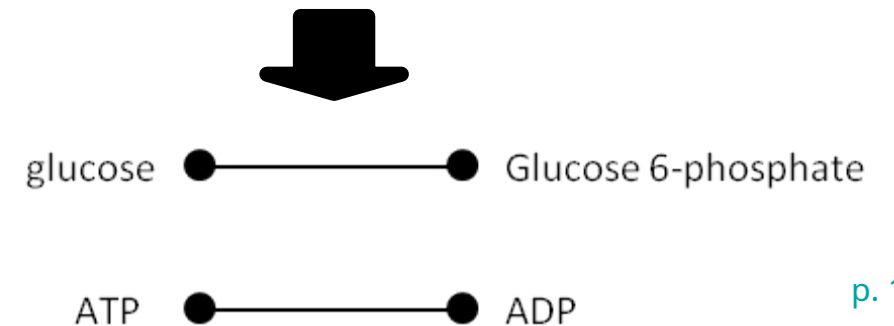
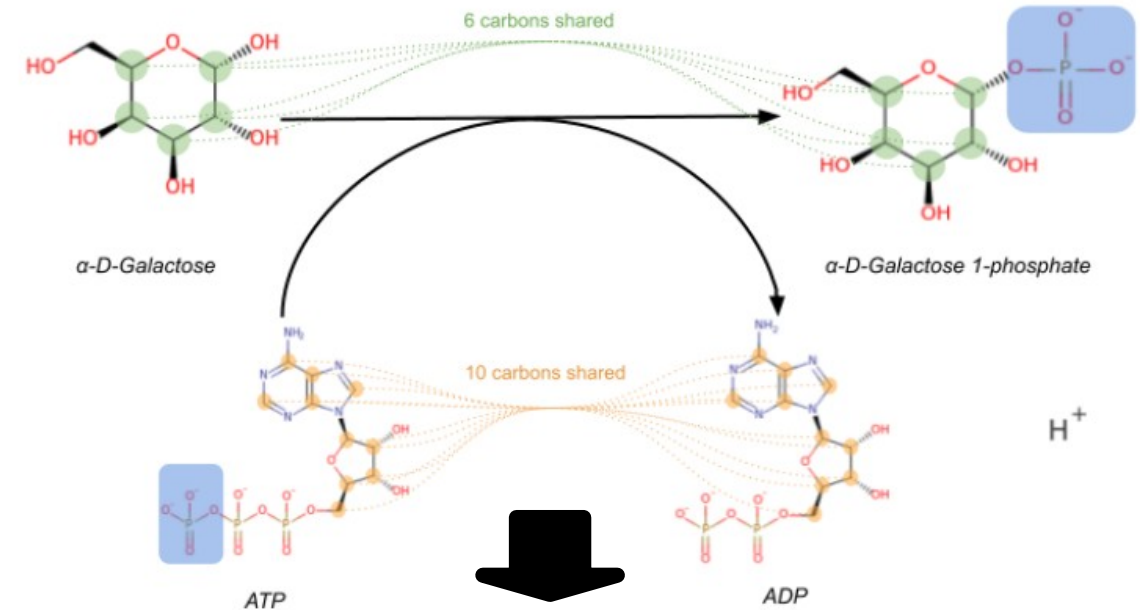
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	Human-GEM CSN	Human-GEM Raw
nodes	8369	8369
edges	31398	95848
diameter	23	13
avg. path length	7.06	4.04
density	0.00045	0.00137
giant cc. size	4880 (58.31%)	8271 (98.83%)

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2	CoA	96	ATP	859	ATP	-829
3	acetyl-CoA	89	Pi	710	Pi	-709
4	L-carnitine	73	ADP	691	ADP	-681
5	acetyl-CoA	72	NADPH	518	NADPH	-510
6	CoA	71	H+	486	H+	-485
7	SAM	68	O2	446	O2	-445
8	GSH	55	NADP+	437	NADP+	-426
9	glycine	53	H+	423	H+	-422
10	L-carnitine	50	H+	418	H+	-417



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Defining side compounds

challenges

- No methodological consensus, each as pro and cons
- Arbitrarily set parameters and subjective definitions
- Home-brewed closed-source scripts or manual procedure
- Poor reporting practice

→ Reproducibility crisis

“ The definition of currency metabolites such as water and ATP may also have been different from that in the previous study because the definition has not been clearly described in [\[10\]](#). ”

Takemoto K (2013) Does Habitat Variability Really Promote Metabolic Network Modularity?. PLOS ONE 8(10)

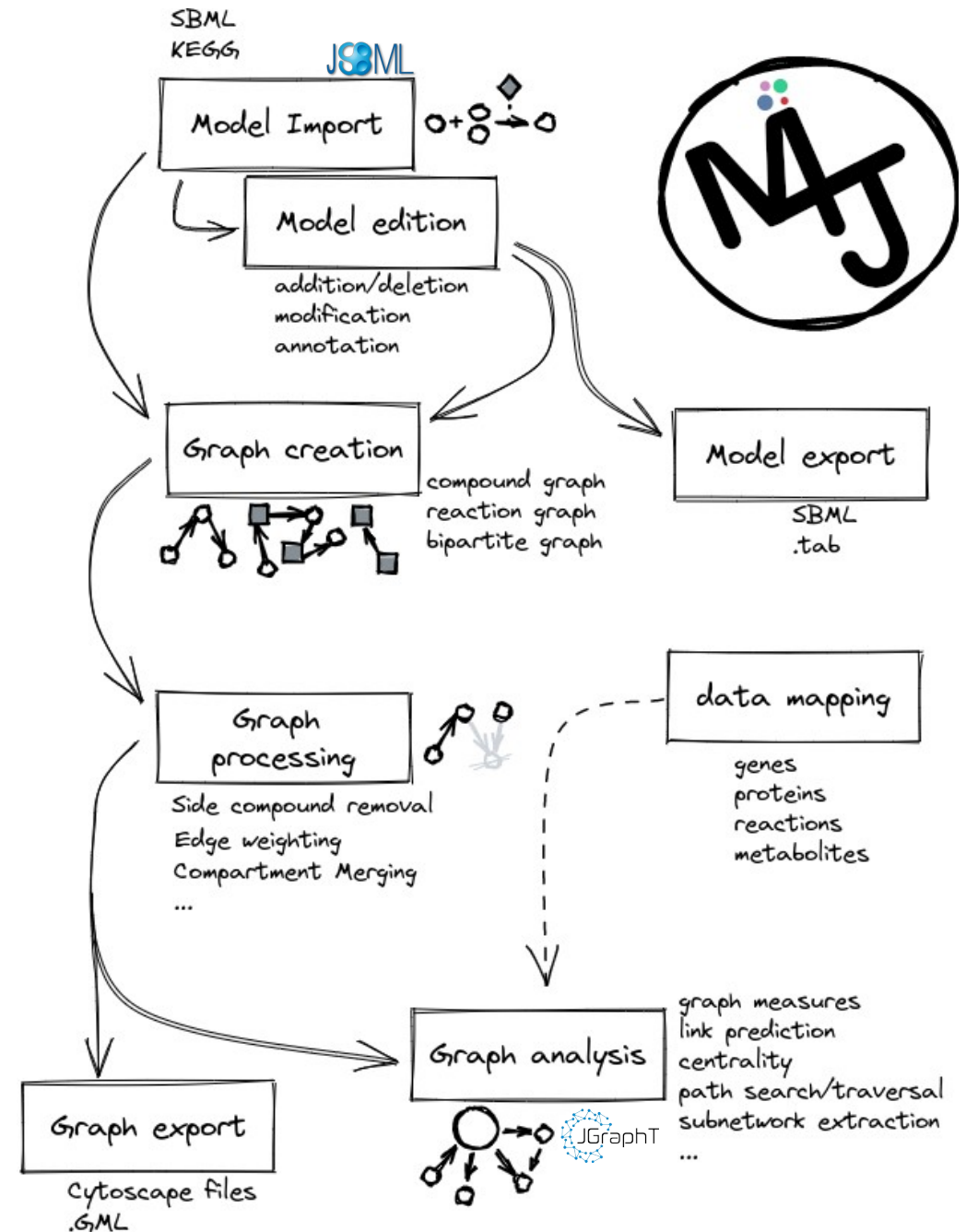


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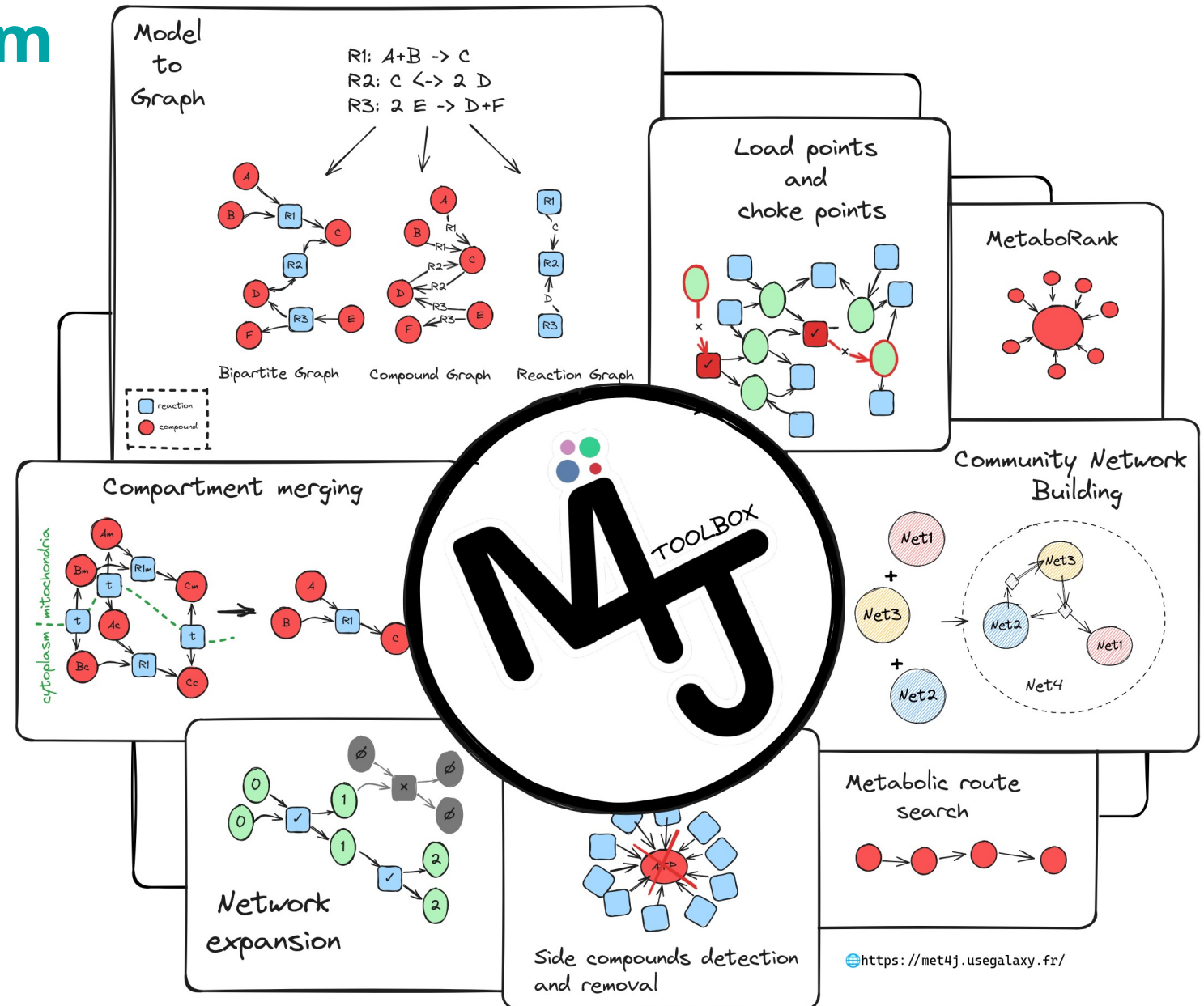


The Toolbox

A registry of CLI tools

45 apps (20 analyses)

Available as executable JAR,
Singularity image, Docker
image



<https://met4j.usegalaxy.fr/>



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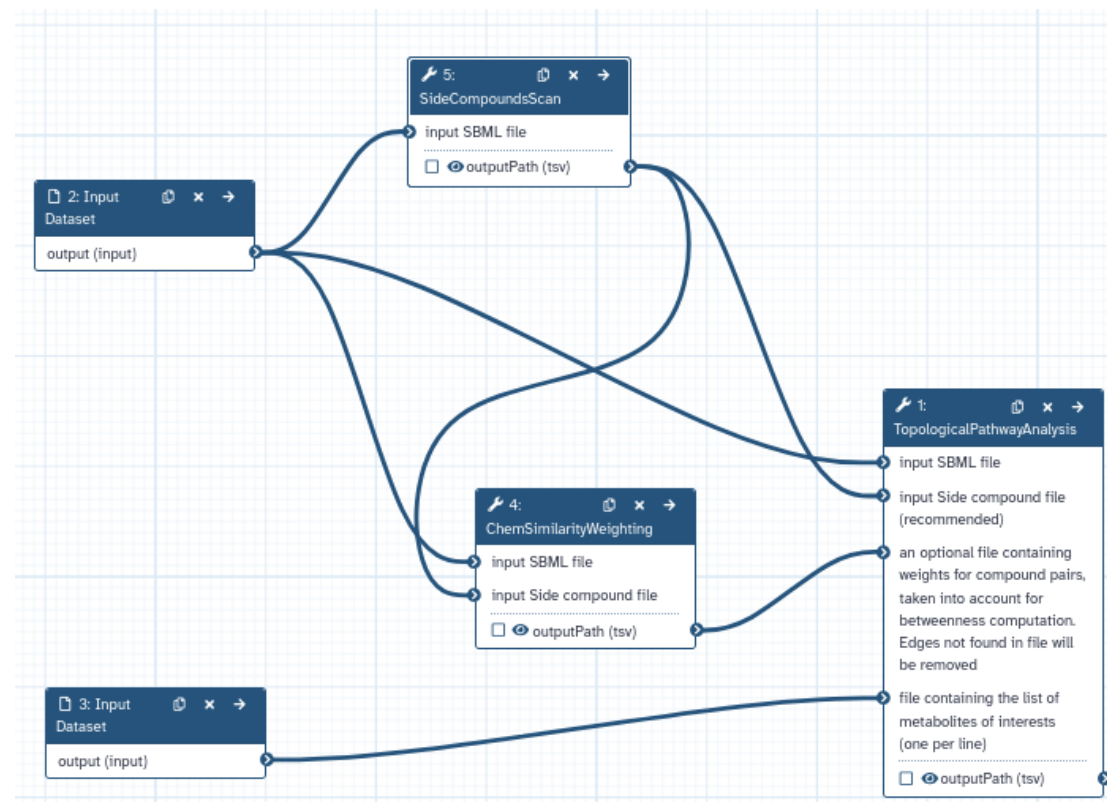


The workflows

FAIR processing & analysis

Get Data
Collection Operations
GENERAL TEXT TOOLS
Text Manipulation
Filter and Sort
Join, Subtract and Group
METABOLIC NETWORKS
Met4J: Get and Set attributes
Met4J: Fetch BIGG data
Met4J: Convert
Met4J: Map omics data
Met4J: Topological analyses
Met4J: Metabolic reconstruction
STATISTICS AND VISUALISATION
Graph/Display Data
Interactive Tools

A Galaxy instance to pipe any app from the toolbox with other tools from the community



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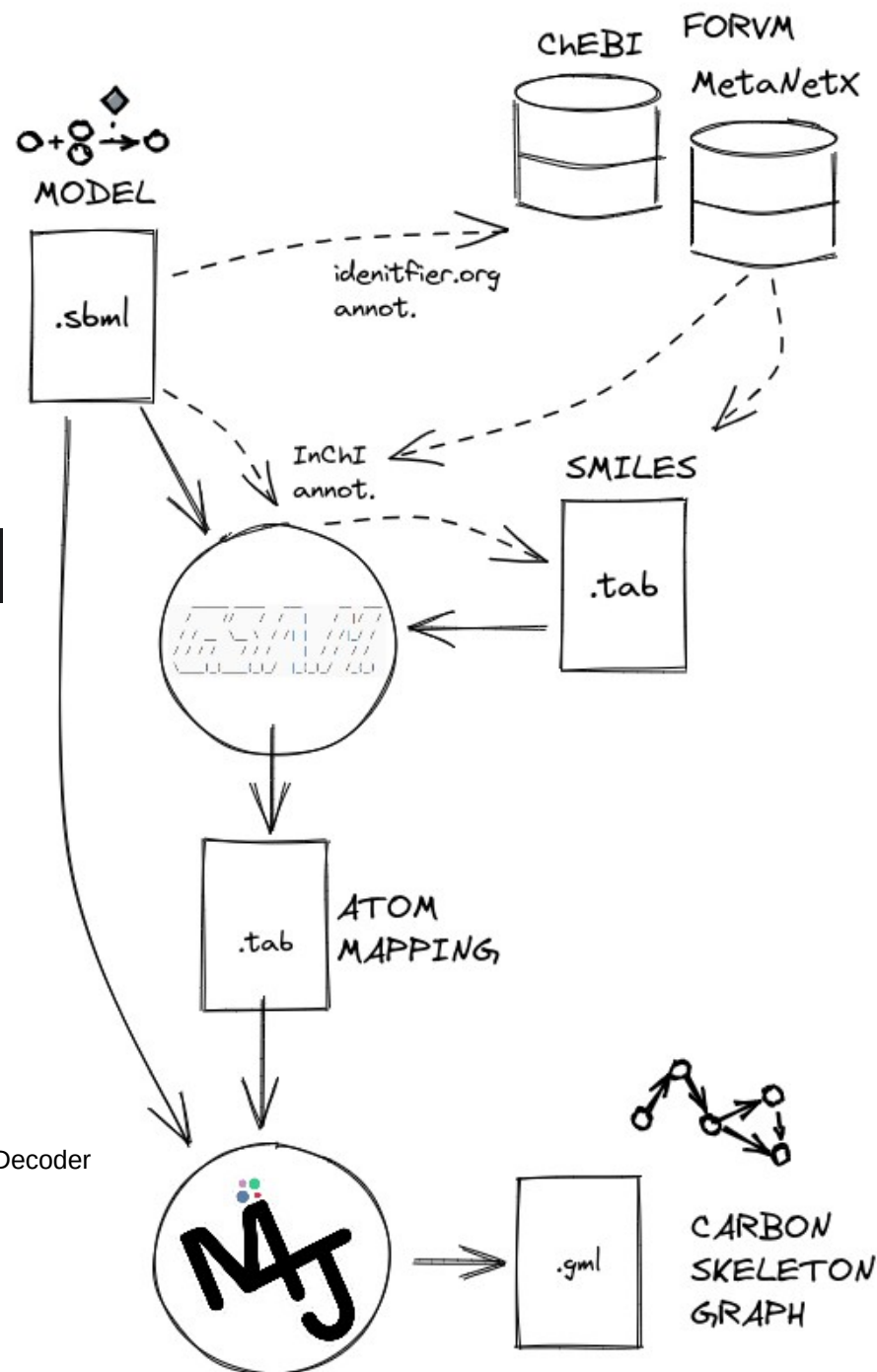
Genome Scale Atom Mapping

Combining RDT¹ with SBMLs



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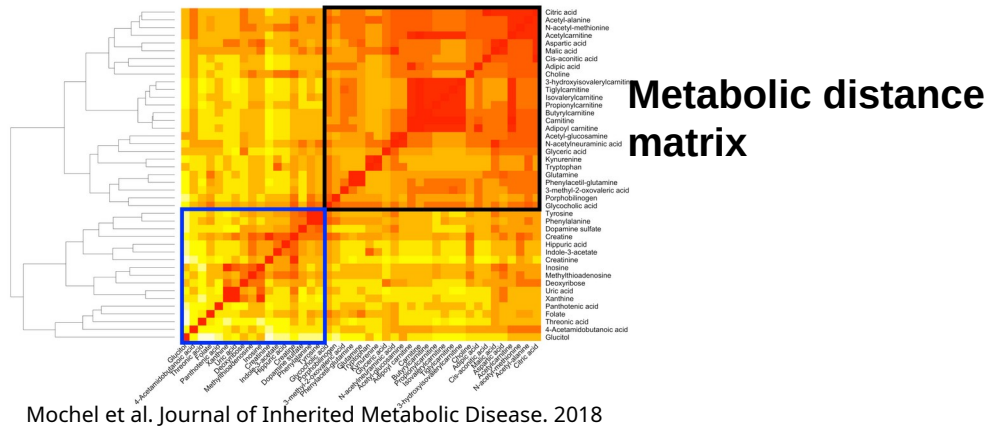
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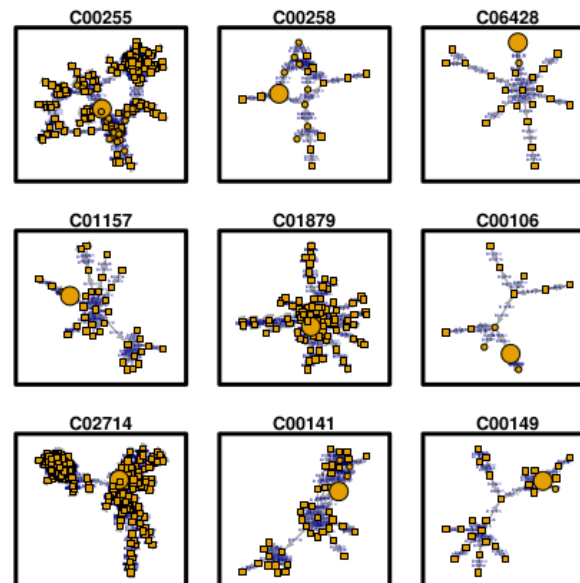
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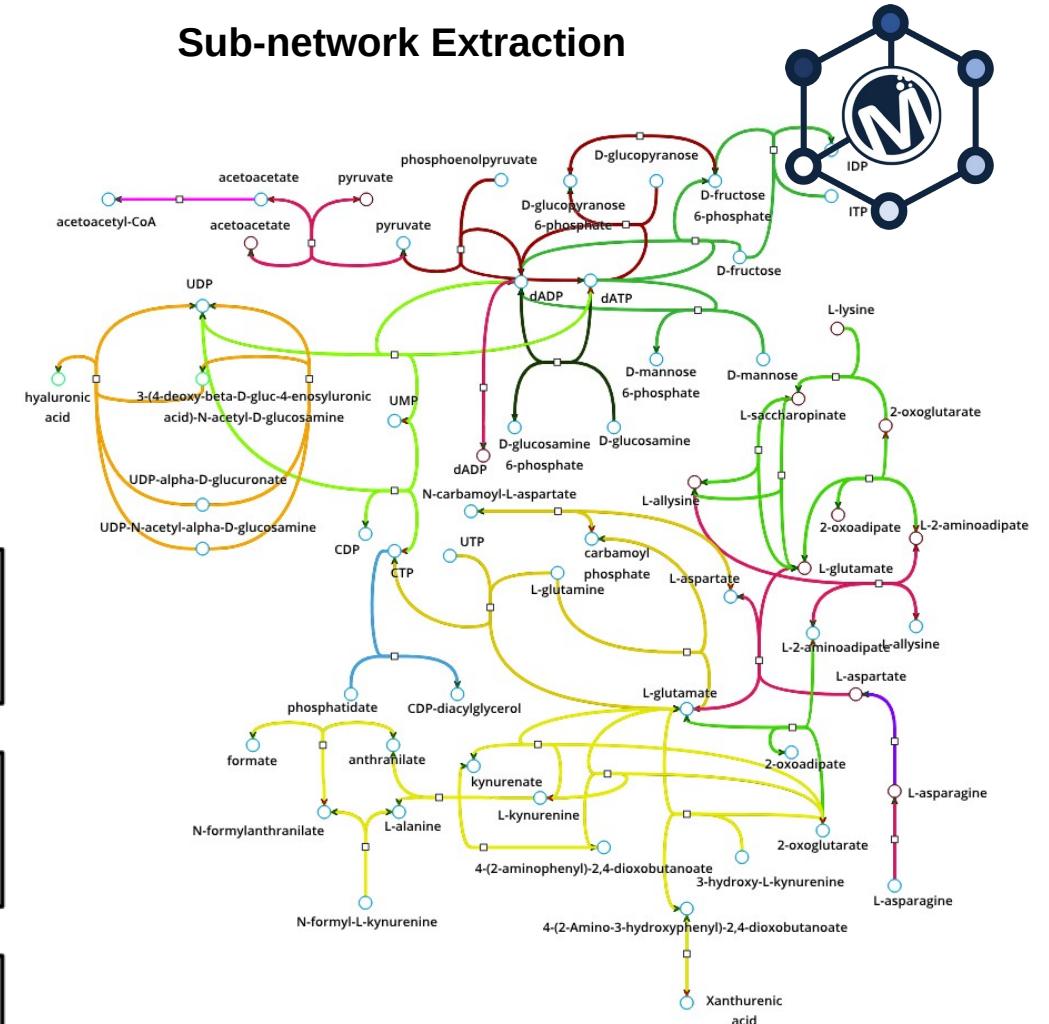
Shortest paths



Mochel et al. Journal of Inherited Metabolic Disease. 2018



Sub-network Extraction

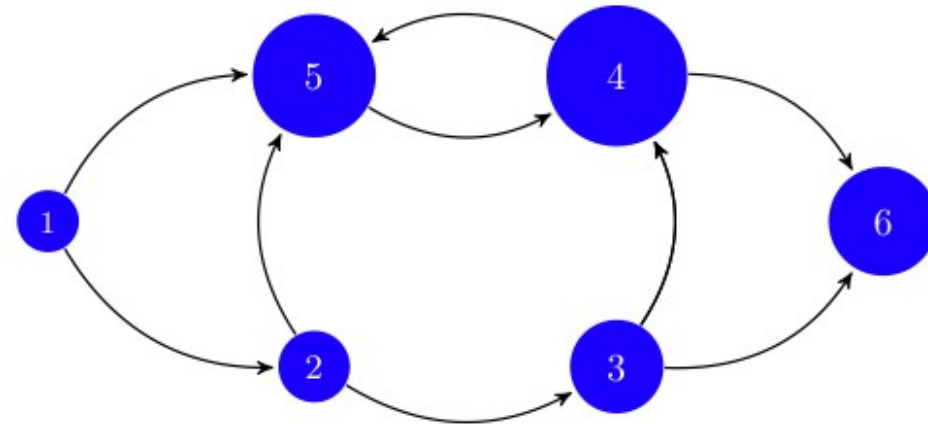
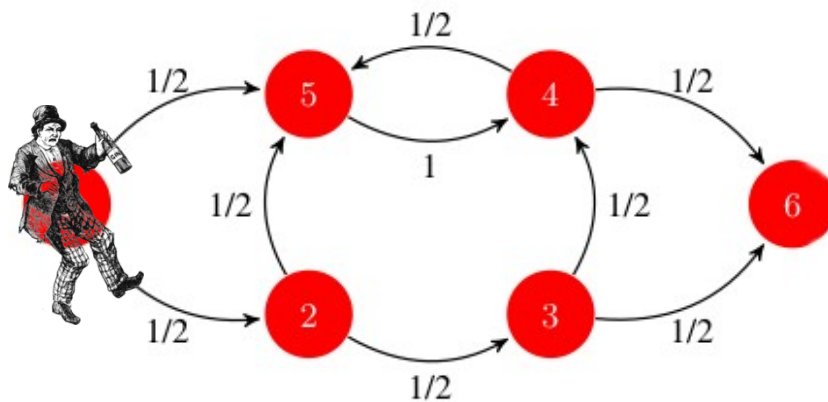


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Page Rank: Beyond shortest path

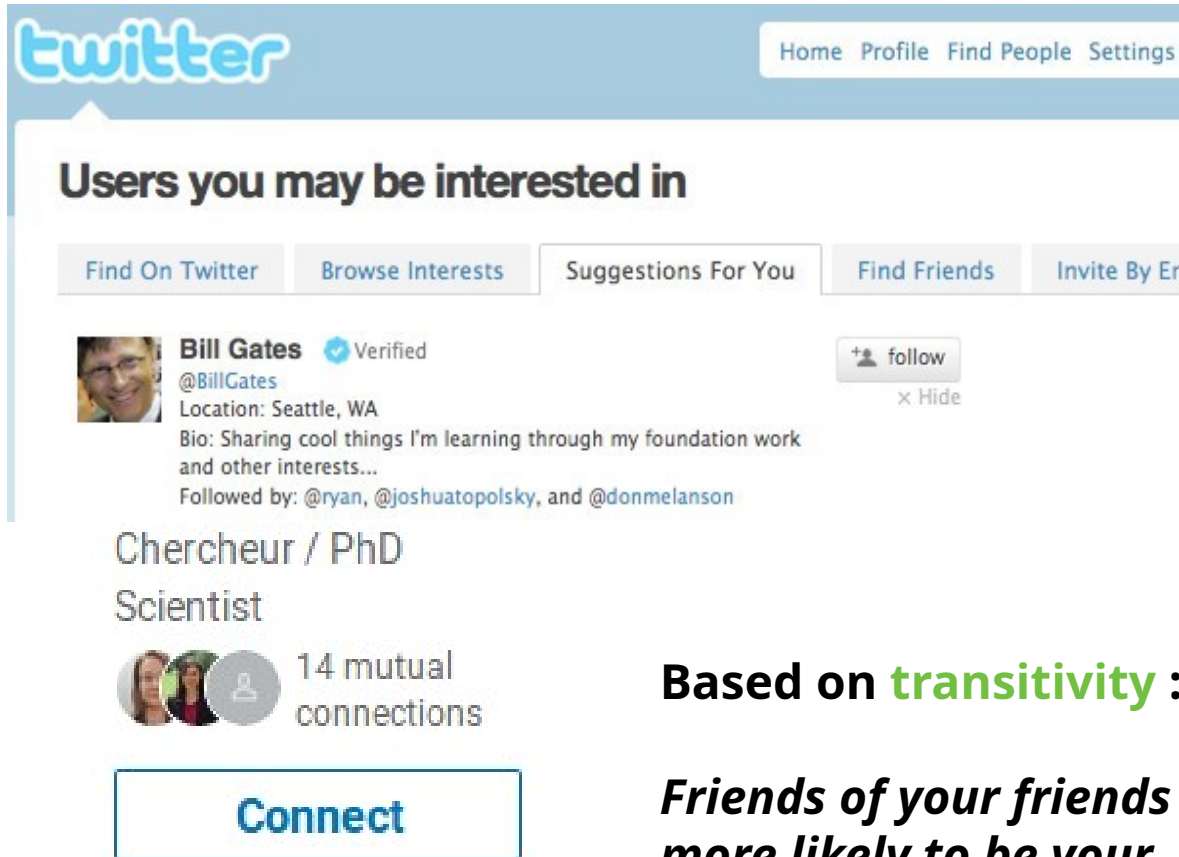
Models the probability of landing on a node after many steps of a random walker
“closer” nodes in terms of link flow get higher scores.

Nodes connected to highly ranked or densely linked regions appear more “proximal”



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Metabolic recommender System



twitter

Home Profile Find People Settings

Users you may be interested in

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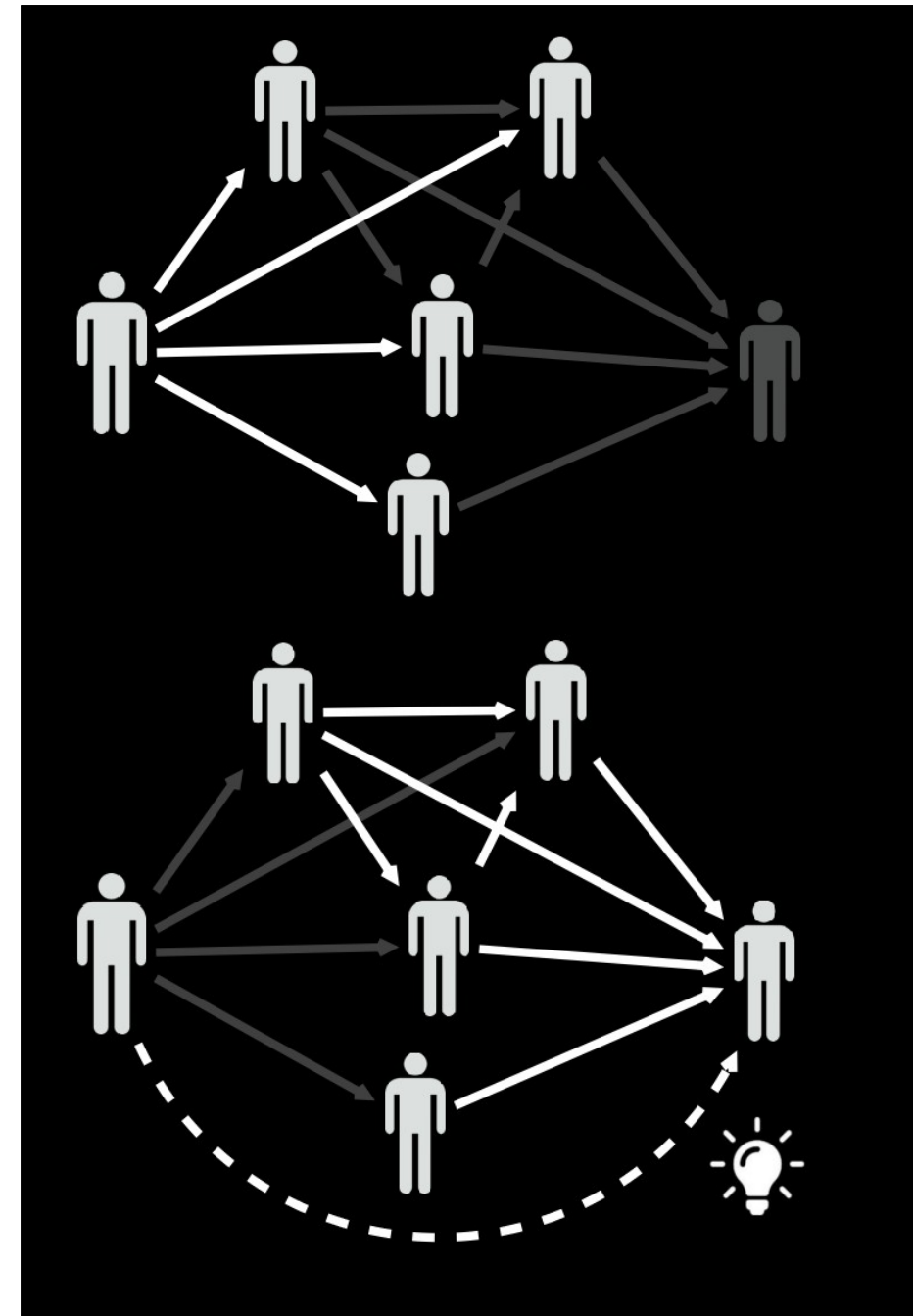
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14 mutual connections

Connect

Based on **transitivity** :

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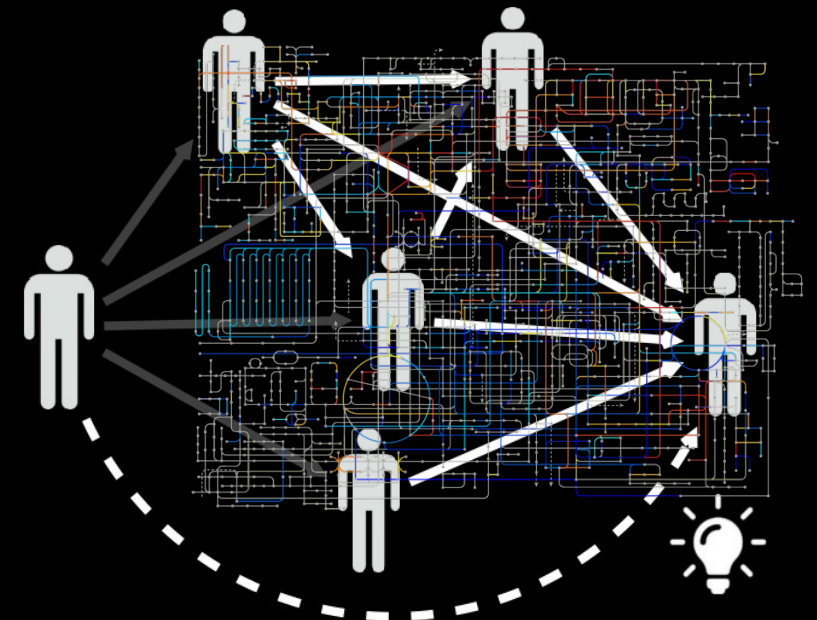
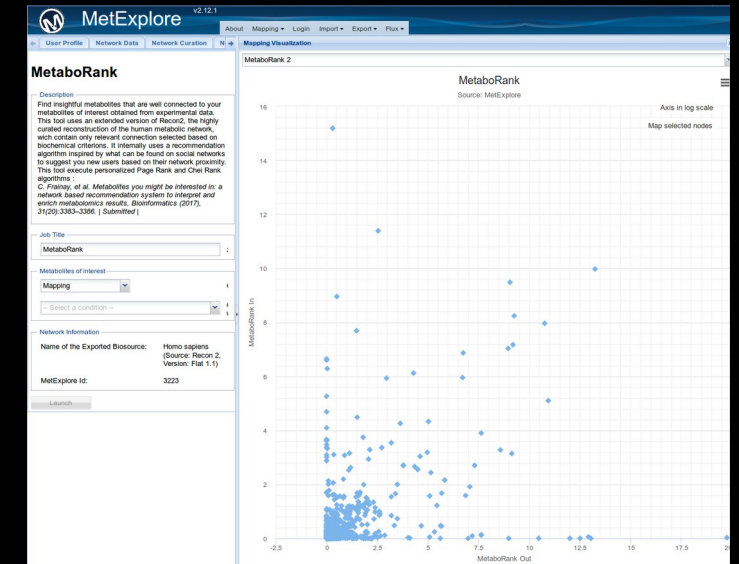
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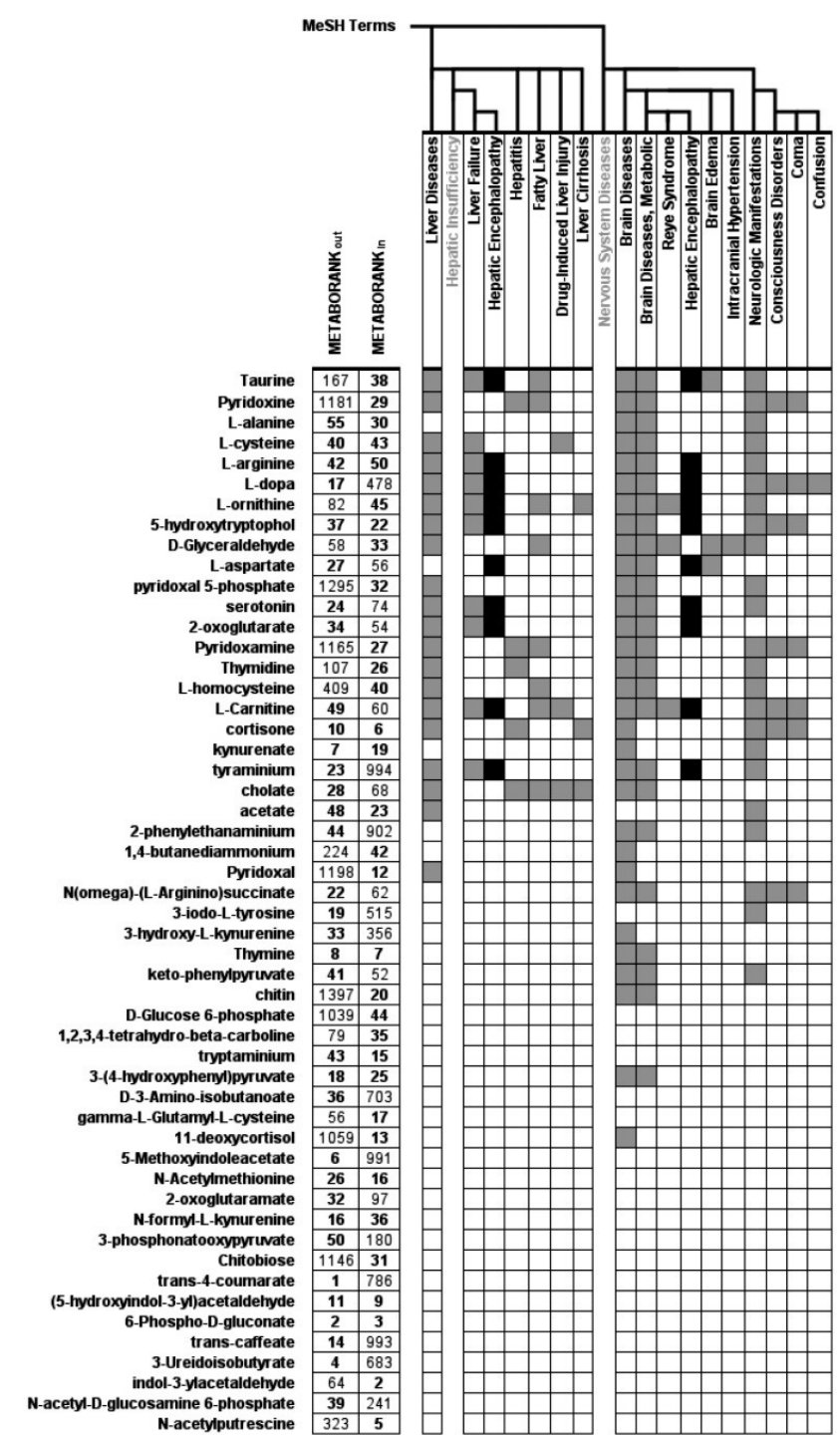
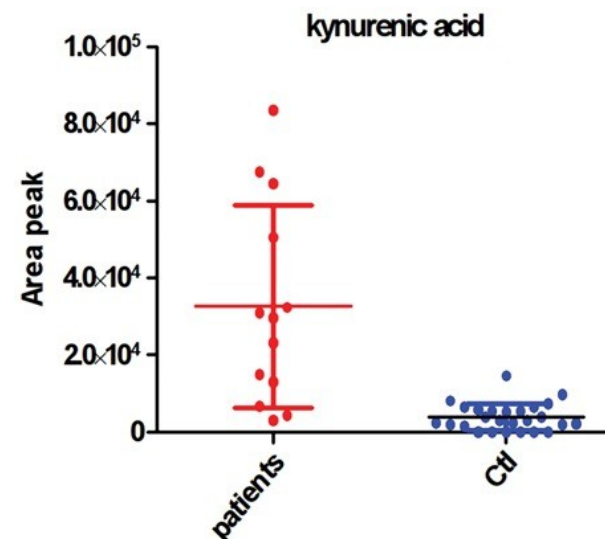
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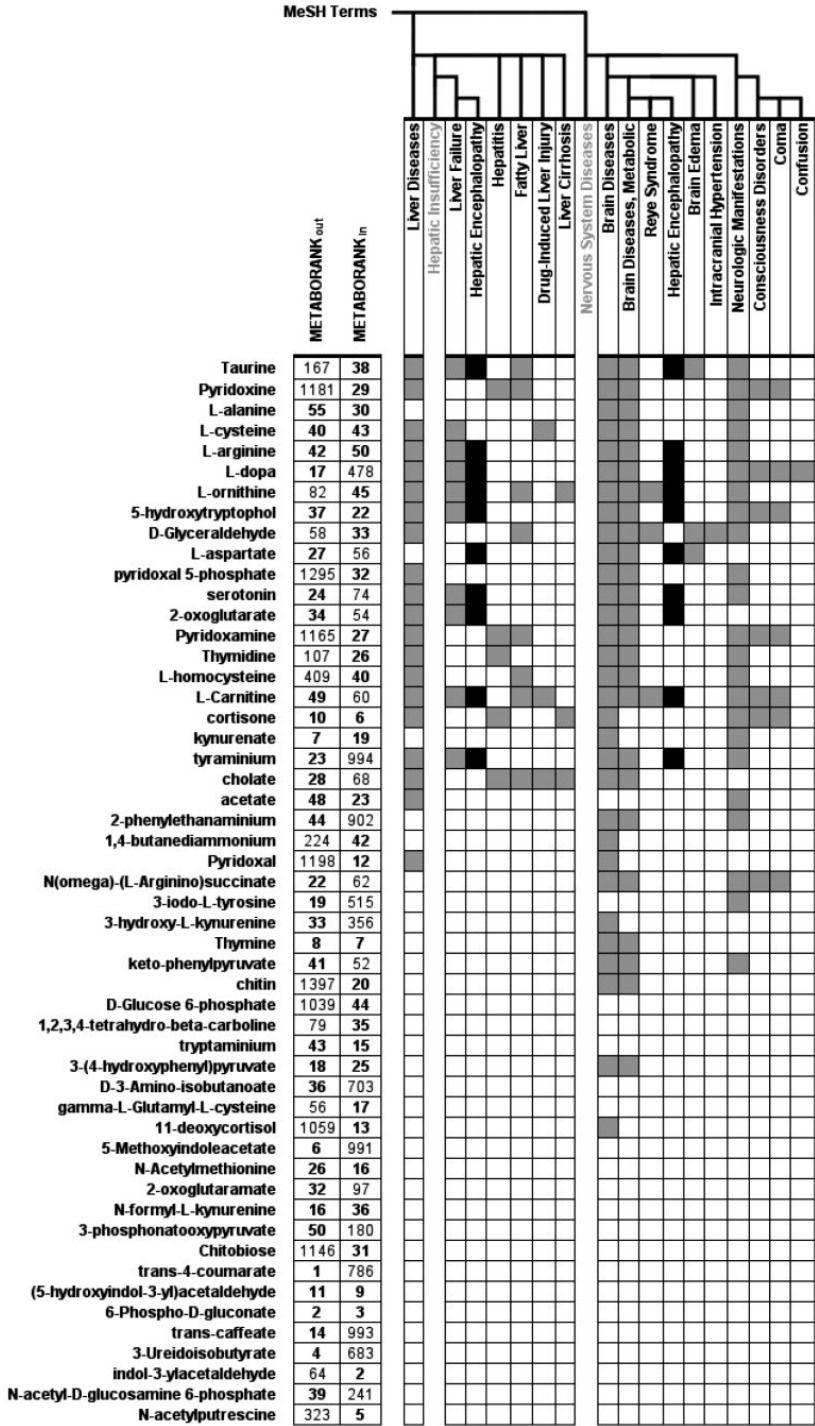
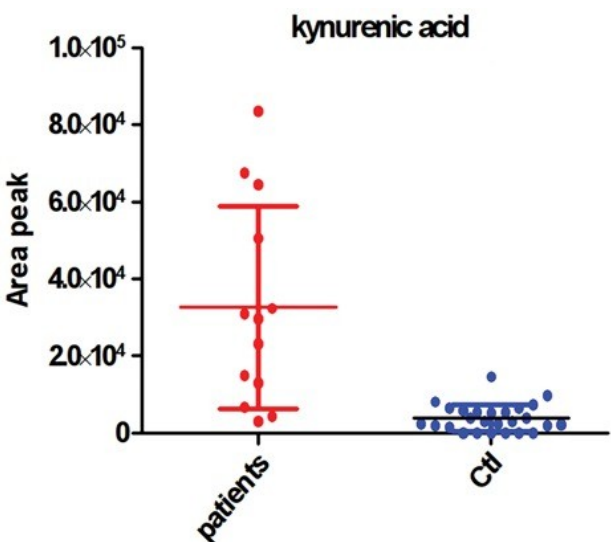
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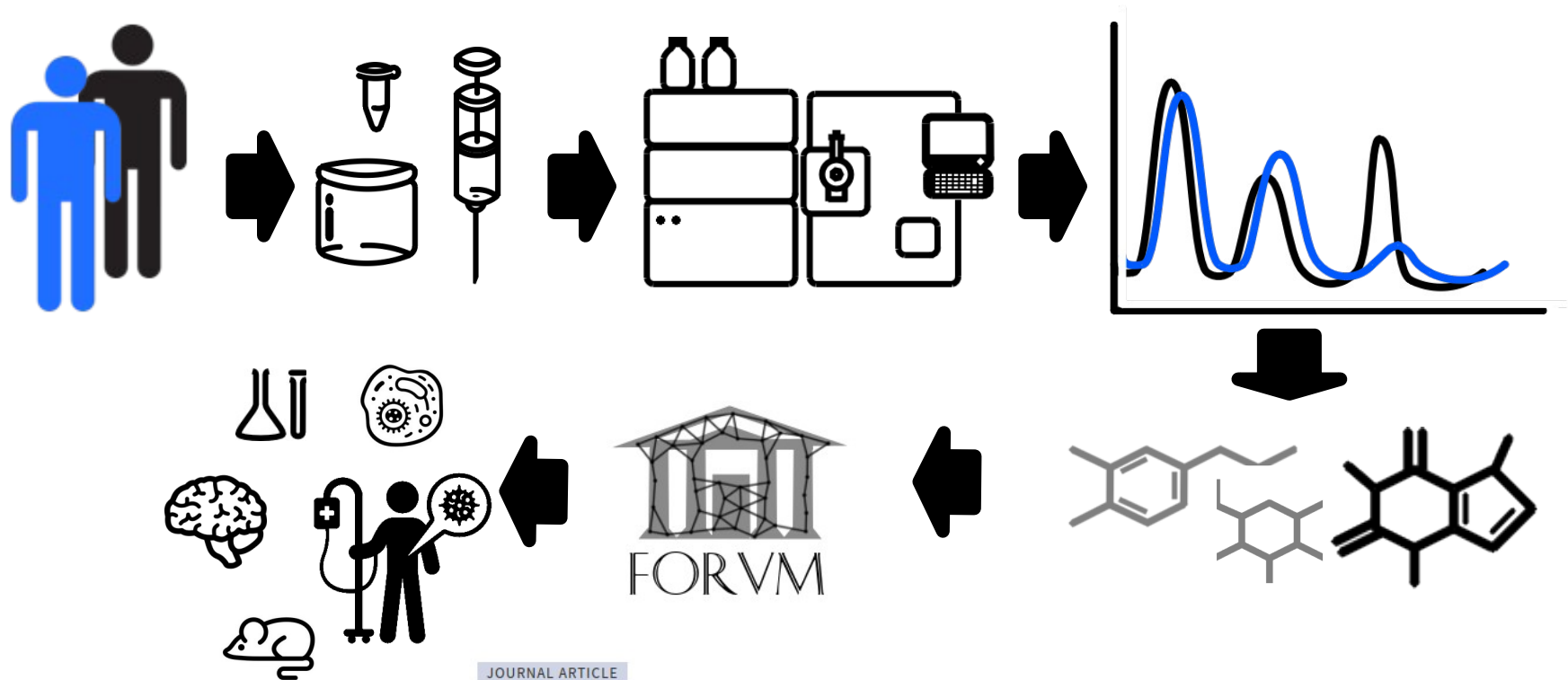
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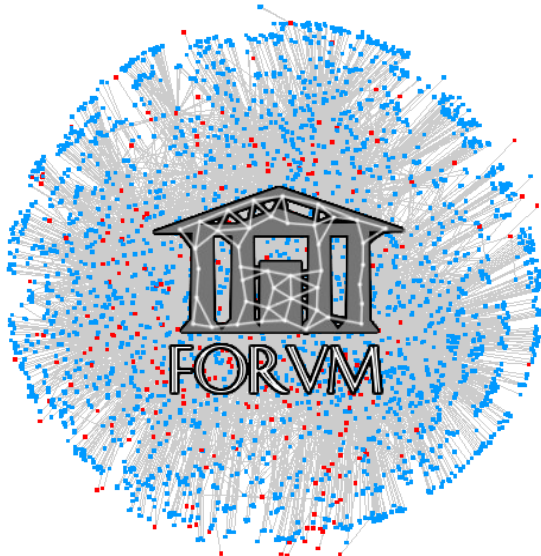
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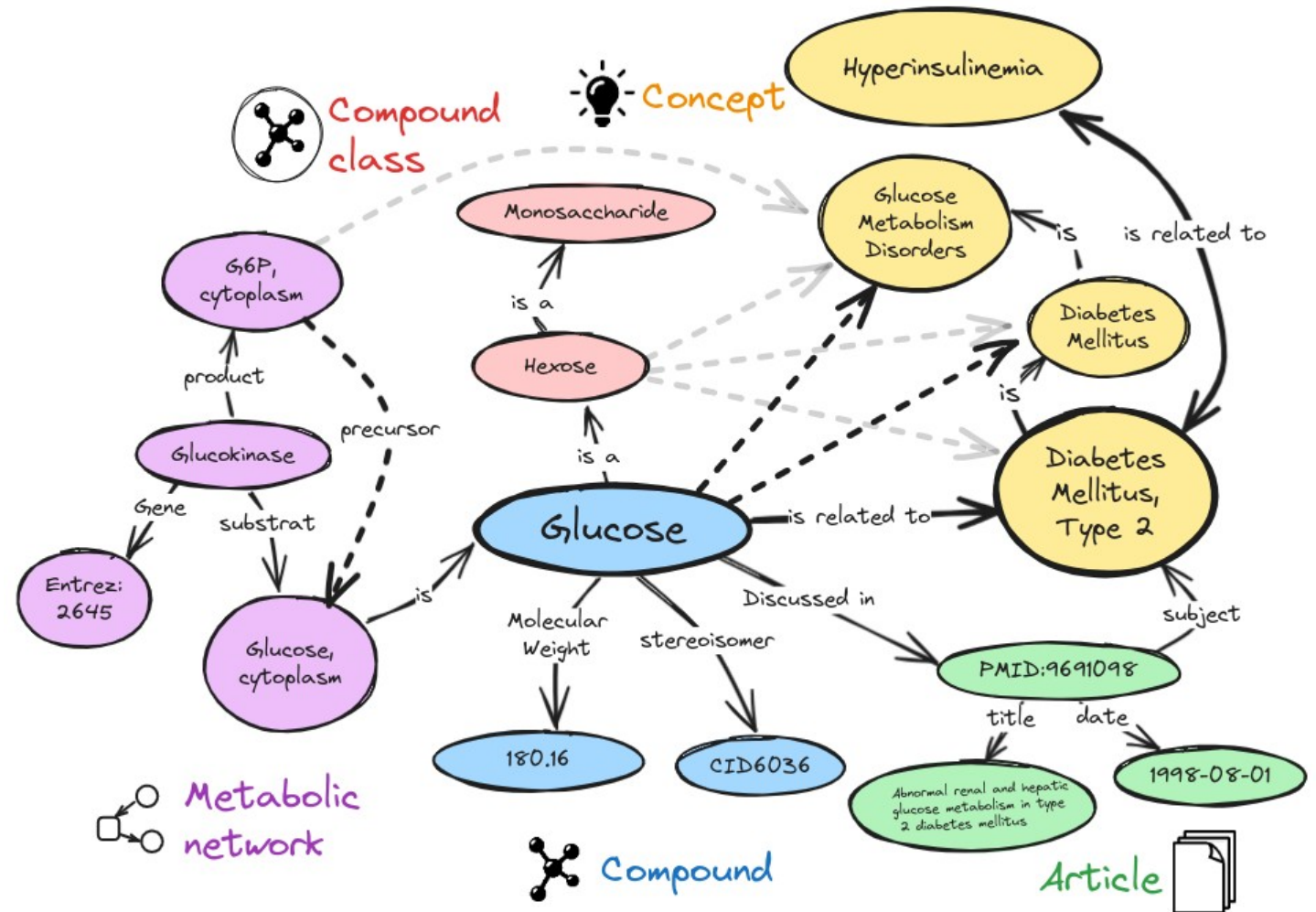
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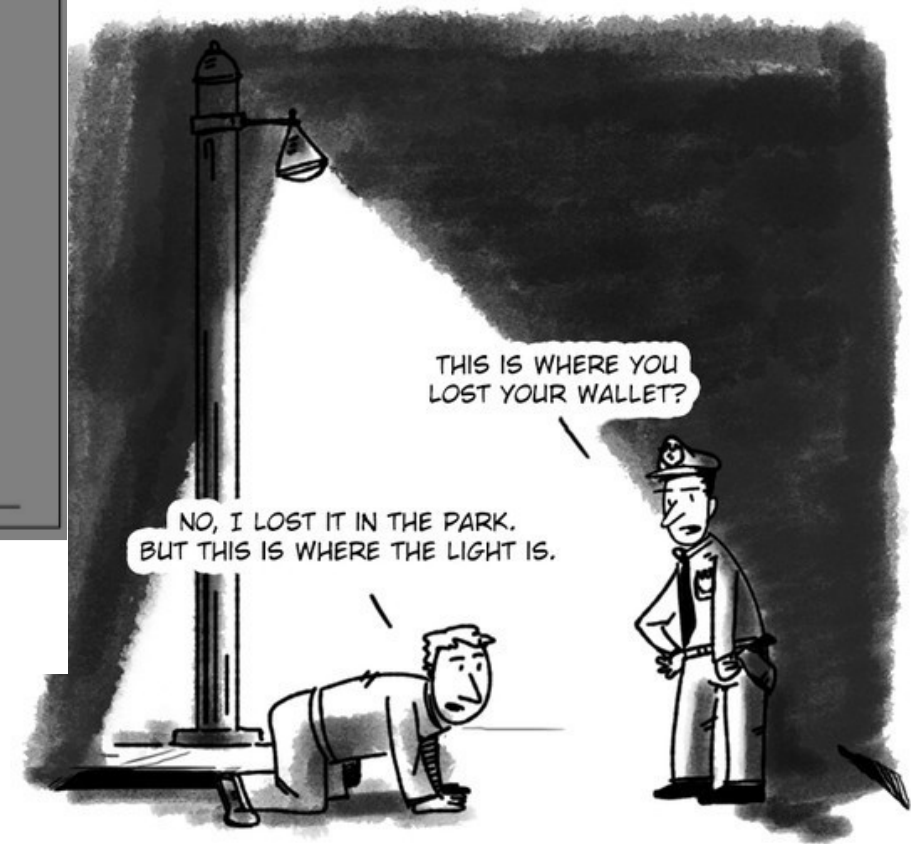
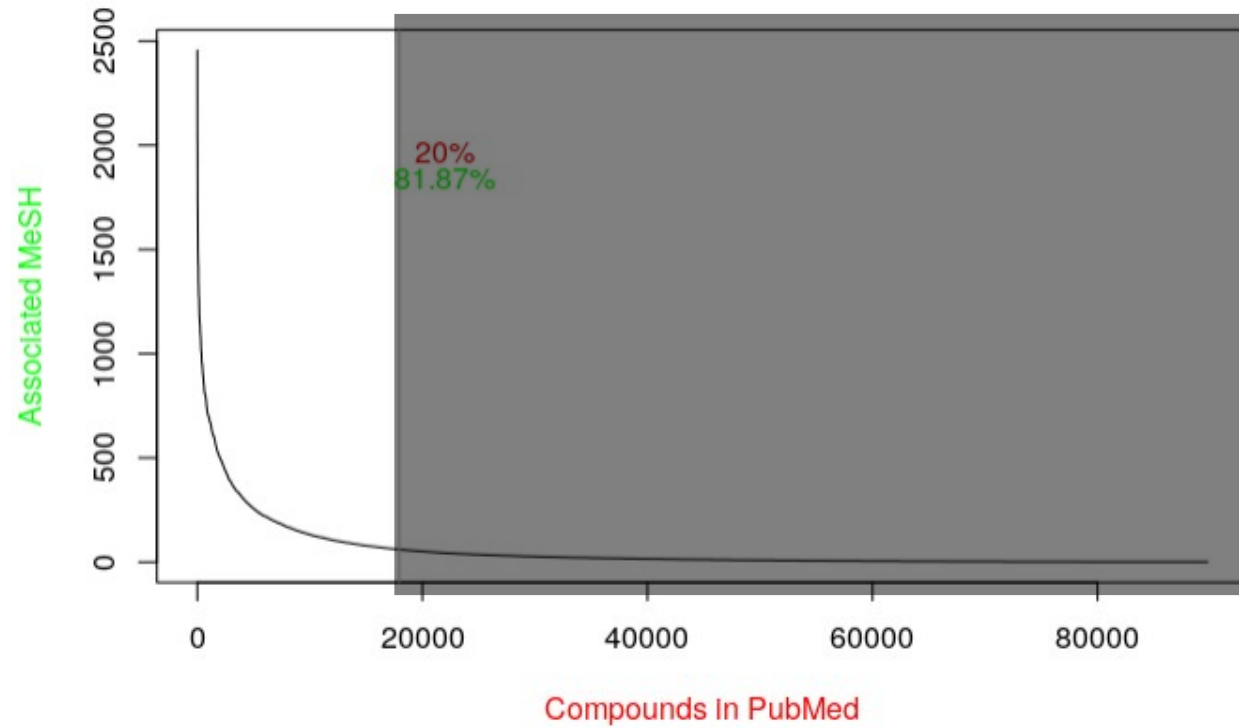


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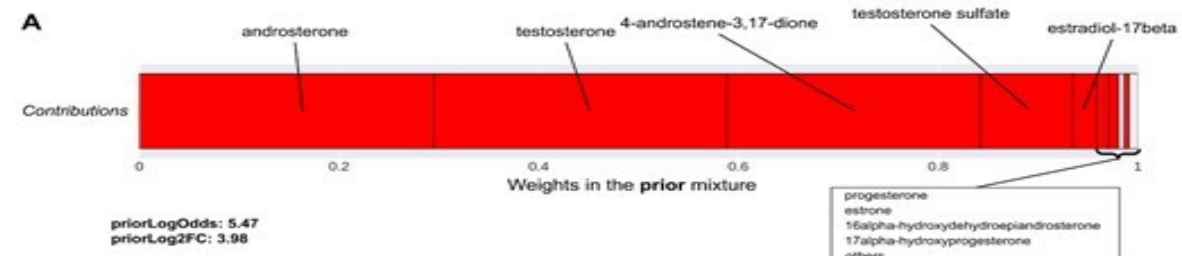
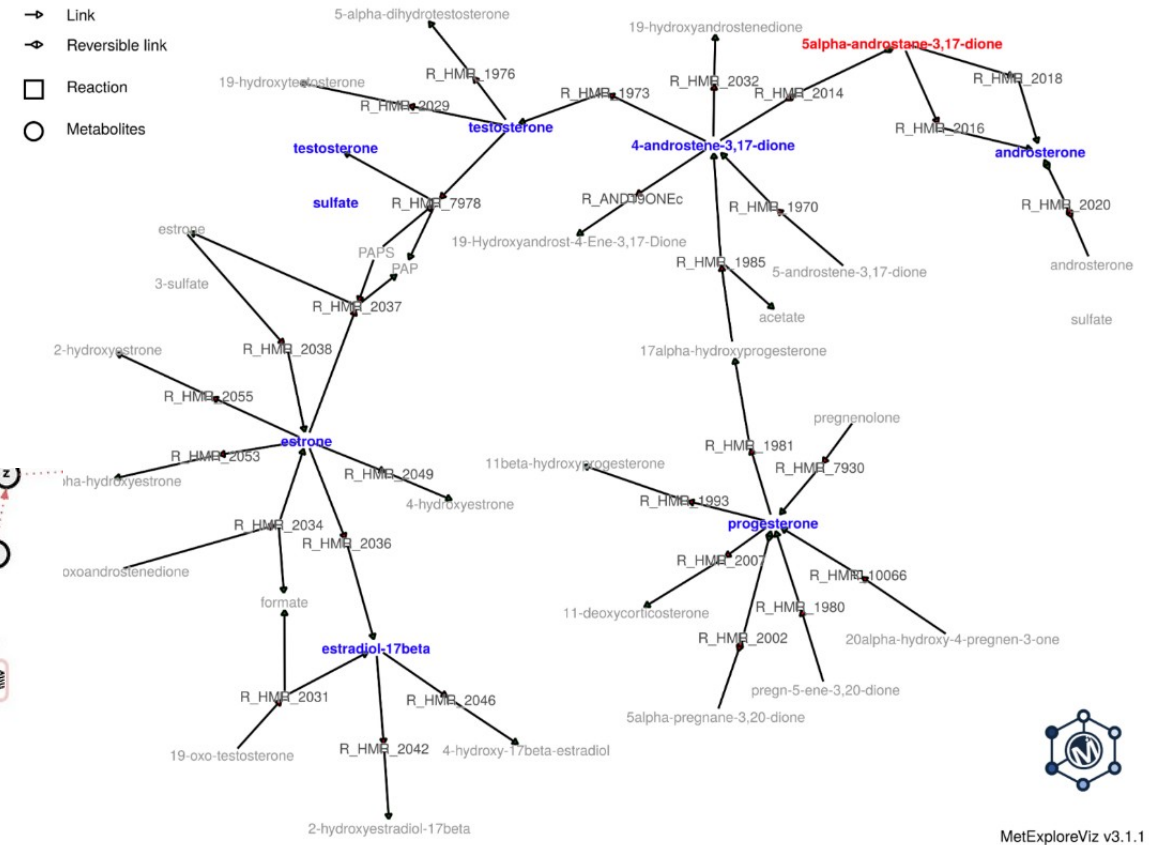
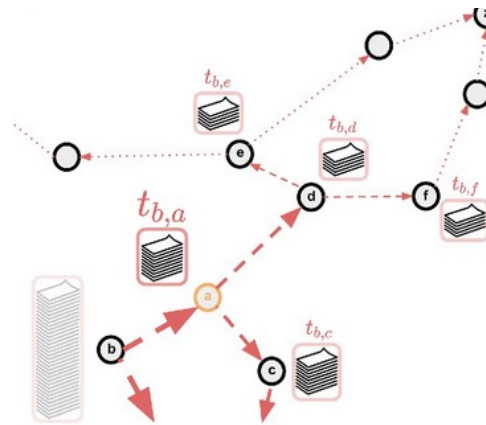
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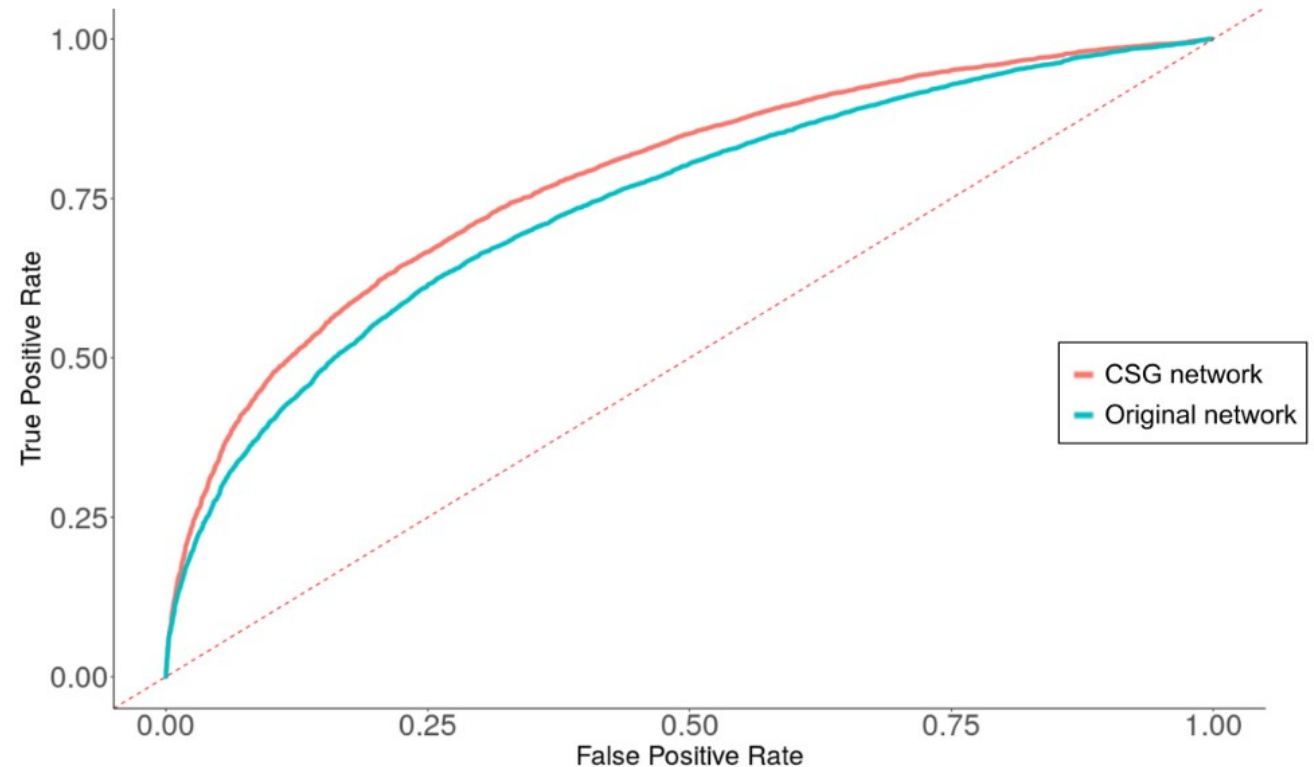


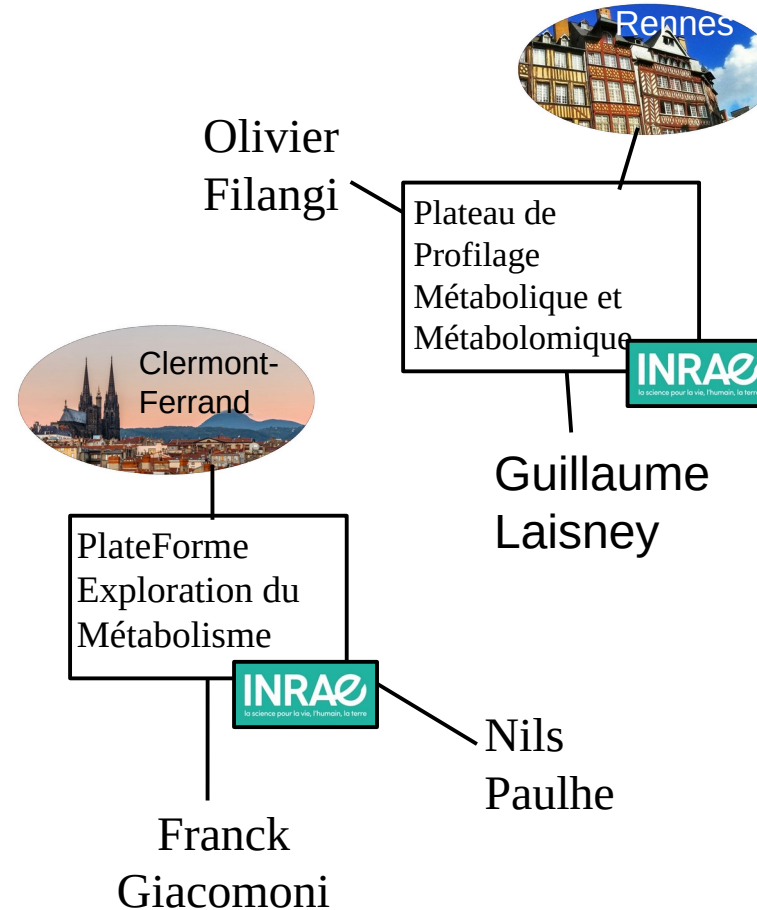
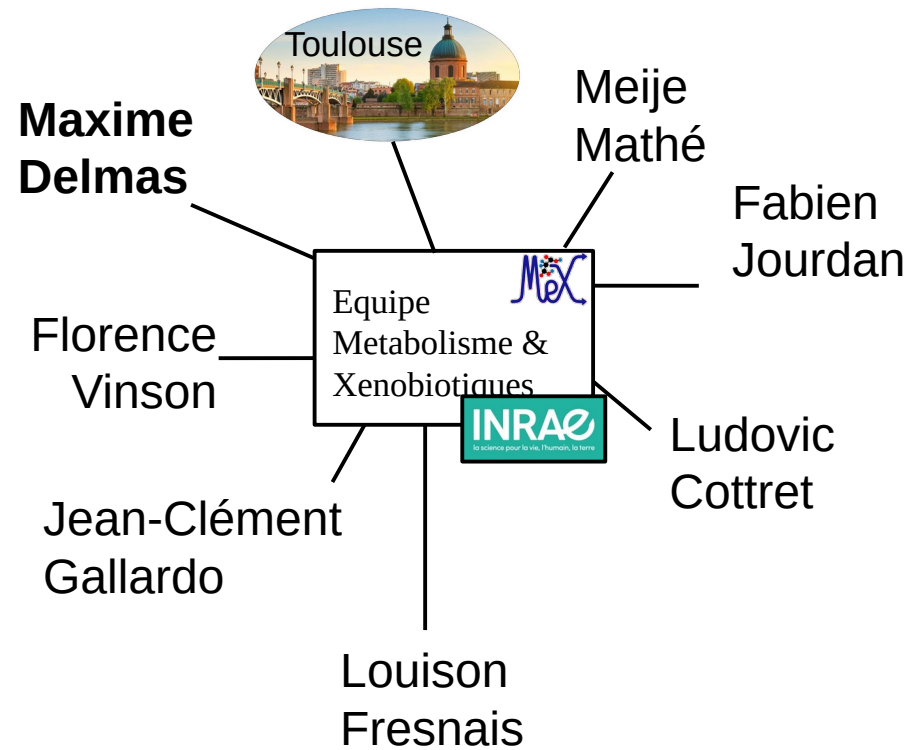
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