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摘要

本計畫本年度重點工作為 POINeT 網站及生物網路檢視器，透過瀏覽器技術，使用者查詢蛋白質交互作用資料後，能夠立即在瀏覽器上檢視交互作用網路，並進行分析。該檢視器不僅能檢視網路，也能夠針對網路拓撲進行分析，提供多種蛋白質中心性質及排比方式。使用者也能夠下載查詢到的生物網路，並利用外部程式進行後續的研究。應用 POINeT 網站，可以找尋出疾病生物標記之間的潛在關係。

另外，我們也發展一個描述動態網路變化的方法，可以量化時間序列基因表現資料與蛋白質交互作用網路結合後，網路節點與交互作用改變對於網路／子網路的影響。

最後，我們發現某些病毒與中心顆粒體成員之間有交互作用存在。我們整理一份人類－病毒交互作用資料，這些資料顯示，病毒－中心顆粒體－癌症之間，有非常密切的關係存在，對於後來的癌症致病機制研究，可能會帶來新的方向。

關鍵詞：蛋白質交互作用、生物網路檢視器、中心顆粒體、量化網路變化、病毒、癌症

Abstract

This year we have focused on POINeT website and a network viewer. Using browser technology, users may examine the interaction network in the browser right after they queried protein-protein interactions. This viewer not only enables the visualization of the network, but is also capable to perform network topology analysis. Several protein centralities and ranking scores are provided to evaluating the importance of the nodes in networks. The networks can also be downloaded and analyzed using external programs. With POINeT website, it is possible to infer potential links among disease markers. Two examples are provided, and potential novel markers are revealed.

We also developed a method to describe dynamic network perturbations. This method is able to quantify the dynamic changes of nodes/interactions in an integrated time-series microarray/protein-protein interaction network.

Finally, we have found that some virus proteins interact with midbody proteins. We have collected a set of human-virus protein-protein interactions. These data suggests there exists a close relationship among virus-midbody-cancer. This may shed new lights to the study of cancer developments.

Keywords: Protein-protein interaction, biological network viewer, midbody, quantified network perturbation, virus, cancer

POINeT: Protein Interactome with Tissue Specific Expression and Sub-network Analysis

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The POINeT web service contains a straight-forward user inter-face (Figure 1). Users may input queries composed of official gene symbols and/or gene ids into the text field; UniProt ids can be used as well. Aliases and other designators of genes can also be used. Several examples are provided, including schizophrenia risk genes, adult height, and the KRAS2 signature. PPI datasets for seven species are available for query, including human (*H. sapiens*), mouse (*M. musculus*), fruit fly (*D. melanogaster*), worm (*C. elegans*), yeast (*S. cerevisiae*), *A. thaliana* and malaria parasite (*P. falciparum*) datasets. Tissue specific expression profiles from the Genomic Institute of the Novartis Research Foundation (Su, et al., 2004) are available for humans and mice, making expression in selected tissues available as attributes for the nodes in the network. PPIs can be filtered based on the number of publications reporting these PPIs, the number of shared GO terms and whether the PPIs in a network have been verified experimentally, derived through orthologs or both.

The screenshot displays the POINeT web interface. On the left is a navigation menu with sections: Introduction, Features, Tissue Specific Expression Profile, Data source, Network Query, Network Analysis, Examples (with sub-items: Schizophrenia Risk Genes, Adult Height Genes, KRAS2 Signature), and Network Resources. The main content area is titled 'poinet.bioinformatics.tw' and contains several input fields and filters. 'Network title (optional):' is set to 'Adult Height'. 'Species:' is set to 'Human (9606)'. 'Query ID system:' is set to 'NCBI Gene (ex: 1, A1BG)'. The 'Input query:' field contains 'ZBTB38', 'CDK6', 'HMGA2', 'GDF5', and 'LCORL'. Under 'Interaction filters:', 'Number of iterations:' is set to 2, 'PPI within the same species:' is set to 'Yes', 'Number of literatures:' is set to '>=1', 'Shared GO terms:' is set to '>=0', and 'Interaction type:' is set to 'Experimental'. On the right, a 'Tissue Expression' list includes: 721_B_lymphoblasts, ADIPOCYTE, Adrenal Cortex, Amygdala (checked), Appendix, BM-CD105+ Endothelial, BM-CD33+ Myeloid, BM-CD34+, BM-CD71+Early Erythroid, Cardiac Myocytes, Cerebellum Peduncles (checked), Cingulate Cortex (checked), Colorectal Adenocarcinoma, and DRG. 'Select All' and 'Clear Selected' buttons are at the bottom right.

Figure 1. The interface of POINeT network analysis and visualization tool.

POINeT will convert the input official gene symbols and ids automatically. Descriptions of the genes are provided as the next step and enable the user to verify their inputs. Next, the network formed by the queries and their neighbors is retrieved and the statistics of the network provided to

the user. Finally, the resulting network along with various attributes can be downloaded in different for-mats. There is also an online network viewer for visualization of the resulted network. The proteins and interactions within a network can also be browsed; furthermore, external links to NCBI Gene and PubMed databases are also provided. If tissue specific expression has been selected for the human or mouse interactions, these become node attributes and are included in the downloadable zip archive.

POINeT will also perform network analysis on the resulting networks. For each isolated sub-network, basic statistics on the numbers of interactors, the interactions, the queries, the interactions with shared GO terms, the interactions with interologs and the interactions within queries (QQ-PPI) are given. The lengths of the shortest path, average distances, clustering coefficients and indices of aggregation are also calculated based on the approach described in (Platzer, et al., 2007). We believe these and other topological measurements along with the biological attributes will facilitate the visualization and analysis of the underlying network.

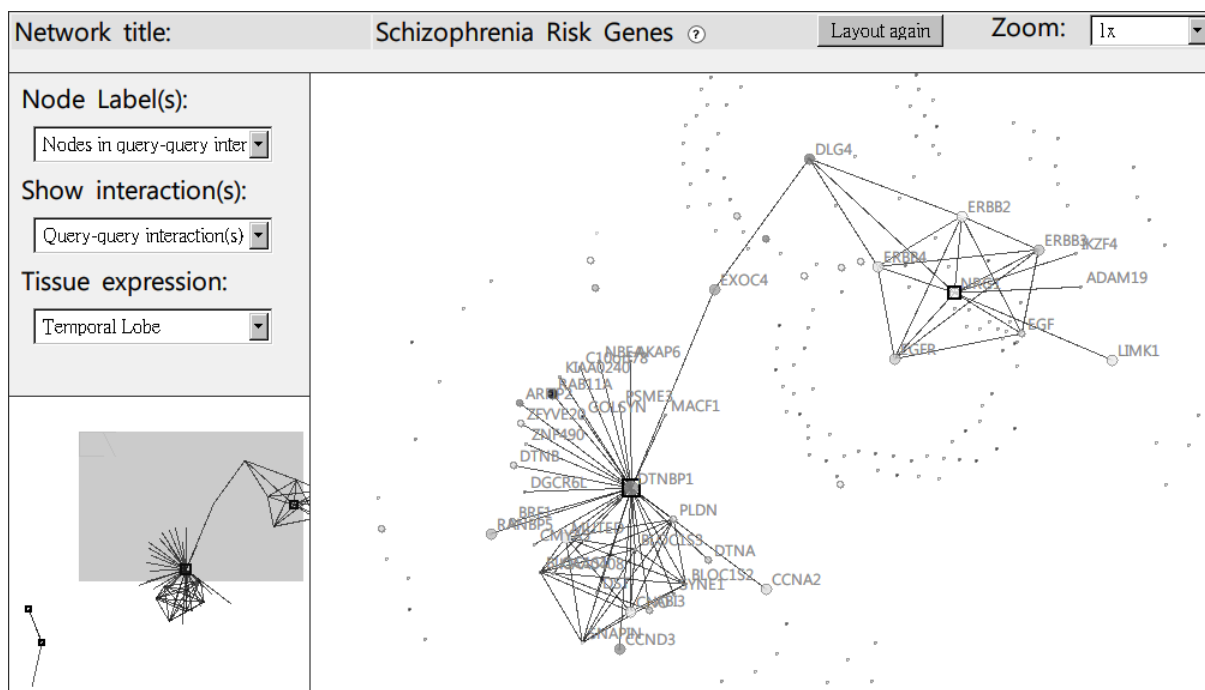


Figure 2. Network viewer of POINeT.

The network viewer implemented in POINeT is able to visualize various types of interactions, zoom in the network, and overlay user-selected tissue expression profiles on the nodes (using different levels of grey). The viewer is implemented with platform independent JavaScript, Cascade Style Sheet (CSS) and AJAX technology. Users do not need to install any extra packages in their computers, such as Java virtual machine or flash player. Using the concept of layers, information related to the network can be visualized dynamically and efficiently. In this way, the

viewer can be easily extended to display any new information selected by the user. For example, the centrality values could become node attributes in the future. User may select nodes in the viewer. Links to NCBI gene database and PubMed links for associated interactions will be provided. Gene Ontology annotations for each node are also available. Currently, POINeT does not support editing of nodes/edges. However, networks and their associated node attributes can be imported into external network visualization programs, such as Cytoscape (Shannon, et al., 2003).

Quantitative assessment of the dynamic modularity in a protein interaction sub-network based on the perturbation of edges

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Evaluation of State Change

State changes obtained from microarray data are the changes in expression levels. Using a baseline time point and the original cell state, the rest of the microarray states can be compared with this reference state. We use the stage 0 (day 3) data for the temporal microarray sets, as well as the primary cell microarray data for the different cultivated conditions, as the reference sets. We define the states of nodes as follows:

$$s_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if gene } i \text{ is up regulated} \\ 0, & \text{if gene } i \text{ is unchanged} \\ -1, & \text{if gene } i \text{ is down regulated} \end{cases}$$

where s_i is the state of node i . A gene (node) is considered as up regulated if its expression level is 2 times higher than baseline. If the expression level is under 1/2 of the baseline, the gene is considered as down regulated. A gene is considered as unchanged if the above two conditions were not met.

Perturbation Coefficient

Here, we define the perturbation coefficient (PC) as follows:

$$PC = \frac{\text{perturbed_components}}{\text{total_components}}$$

Accordingly, the PC of nodes in a network is

$$PC_{node} = \frac{\sum_i^N |s_i|}{N},$$

where N is the number of nodes of a network.

To represent the edges (connections) of the interaction network, we define the connectivity as

follows:

$$C_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if gene } i \text{ is connected to gene } j \text{ in the network} \\ 0, & \text{if gene } i \text{ is not connected to gene } j \text{ in the network} \end{cases}$$

Thus, the PC of edges in a network is

$$PC_{edge} = \frac{\sum_{i,j}^N |s_i + s_j| c_{ij}}{\sum_{i,j}^N c_{ij}} = \frac{\sum_{i,j}^N |s_i + s_j| c_{ij}}{2L},$$

where L is the number of links (edges) of a network.

The PC of edges would not be zero when the states of genes with edges are changed. According to this definition, mutually interacting nodes changing their states together within a protein-protein interaction network lead to higher PC value. With the definitions of PC_{node} and PC_{edge} , the networks can be seen as a collection of nodes and edges in different states. The distributions of these states can be used to estimate the changes between different time points or conditions.

The ratio of PC_{edge} to PC_{node} is calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{PC_{edge}}{PC_{node}} &= \frac{\sum_{i,j}^N |s_i + s_j| c_{ij}}{2L} \cdot \frac{\sum_i^N |s_i|}{N} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i,j}^N |s_i + s_j| c_{ij}}{\sum_i^N |s_i|} \cdot \frac{2L}{N} \\ &= \frac{\langle k_p \rangle}{\langle k \rangle} \\ \langle k \rangle &= \frac{2L}{N} \end{aligned}$$

where $\langle k \rangle$ is the average degree of the network's links ($2L/N$) and N is the total number of it's nodes. $\langle k_p \rangle$ can be defined as the average perturbation degree of the network. $\langle k \rangle$ is a constant for the same protein interaction subnetworks, therefore the ratio of PC_{edge} to PC_{node} could be used to describe (might be used to represent) the perturbation property of a network.

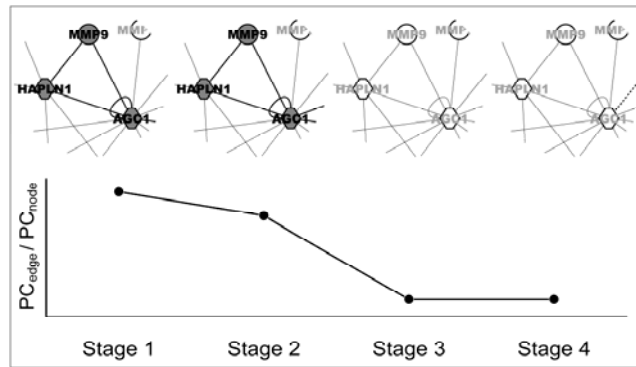


Figure 3. The network perturbations (top) can be quantified with perturbation coefficients (bottom).

We have applied the concept of perturbation coefficient (PC) to chondrocyte differentiation process (James, et al., 2005). The changes in networks can be quantified with PC (Figure 3), and cluster of genes (and their interactions) instead of isolated genes can be identified.

Human-Virus Interaction Database

In previous year, we have identified several virus proteins involved in midbody interactome, including tat of HIV, F and H of measles virus (Bolt, 2001), etc. Based on our ranking criteria, these virus proteins are significant to the midbody interactome but filtered out due to their non-human origins. Recently, other study has found parallels between cytokinesis (notably midbody) and retrovirus budding (Carlton and Martin-Serrano, 2007). The connections between viruses and human cancers have also been observed in numerous cases (Abdel-Aziz, et al., 2007; Benharroch, et al., 2004; Cheng, et al., 2007; Feng, et al., 2008; Hajdu and Ali, 2008; Mok, et al., 2008).

Based on data from POINT and POINeT, we have collected 2,725 human-virus interactions. Preliminary analysis has been performed on this database. One hundred and eleven (111) proteins from 52 viruses interact with 1,577 human proteins. Human proteins are ranked with number of virus protein partners (Table 1). It is interesting to note that RB1 and TP53 are ranked first and second, respectively. Most of the top 20 genes are involved in transcription regulation, cell proliferation and cell cycle; and some are directly involved in cancers, including RB1 and TP53.

Table 1. Human proteins ranked with number of virus partners.

Gene Symbol	Gene ID	Description	PPI Counts	Virus Counts
RB1	5925	retinoblastoma 1 (including osteosarcoma)	11	9
TP53	7157	tumor protein p53	13	8

EP300	2033	E1A binding protein p300	13	8
DLG1	1739	discs, large homolog 1 (Drosophila)	6	6
TBP	6908	TATA box binding protein	9	6
SP1	6667	Sp1 transcription factor	9	5
PCAF	8850	p300/CBP-associated factor	8	5
CDK2	1017	cyclin-dependent kinase 2	5	5
GTF2B	2959	general transcription factor IIB	7	5
SUMO1	7341	SMT3 suppressor of mif two 3 homolog 1 (S. cerevisiae)	5	5
CREBBP	1387	CREB binding protein (Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome)	7	5
GPS2	2874	G protein pathway suppressor 2	5	5
MAGI1	9223	membrane associated guanylate kinase, WW and PDZ domain containing 1	4	4
UBE2I	7329	ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2I (UBC9 homolog, yeast)	4	4
CEBPB	1051	CCAAT/enhancer binding protein (C/EBP), beta	5	4
E2F1	1869	E2F transcription factor 1	5	4
CDC2	983	cell division cycle 2, G1 to S and G2 to M	7	4
RAN	5901	RAN, member RAS oncogene family	5	4
TAF1	6872	TAF1 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor, 250kDa	4	4
BAK1	578	BCL2-antagonist/killer 1	4	4

Human-virus interaction (HVI) database is preliminary and not yet opened to the public. There are some biases in this database. For example, HIV alone interacts with thousands of human proteins. Nonetheless, the virus/midbody/cancer triads as revealed in this database may shed new insights to the mechanisms of proliferation, transcription regulation and tumorigenesis.

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