

# Social gradients, aging, and immunity in social mammals

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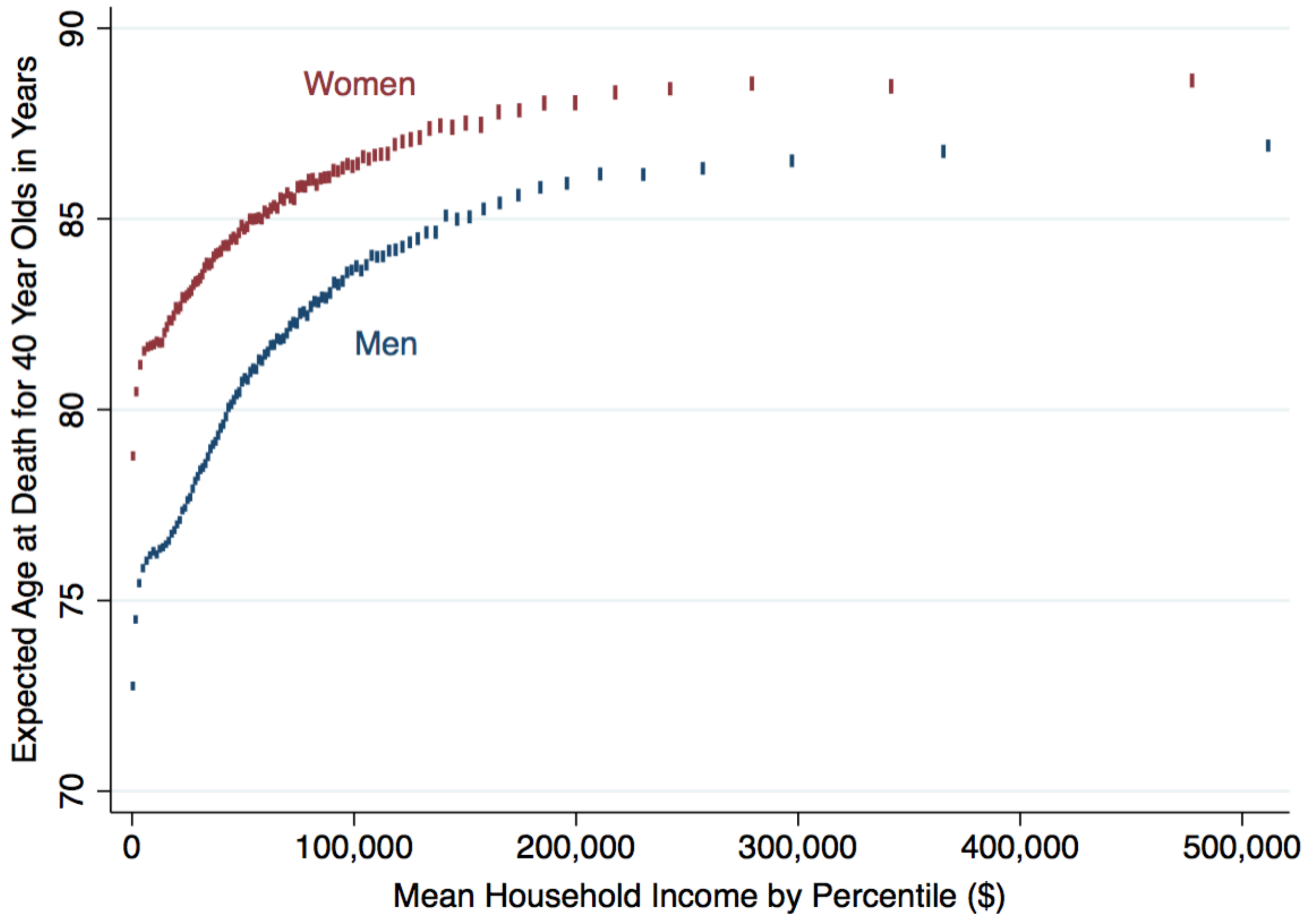
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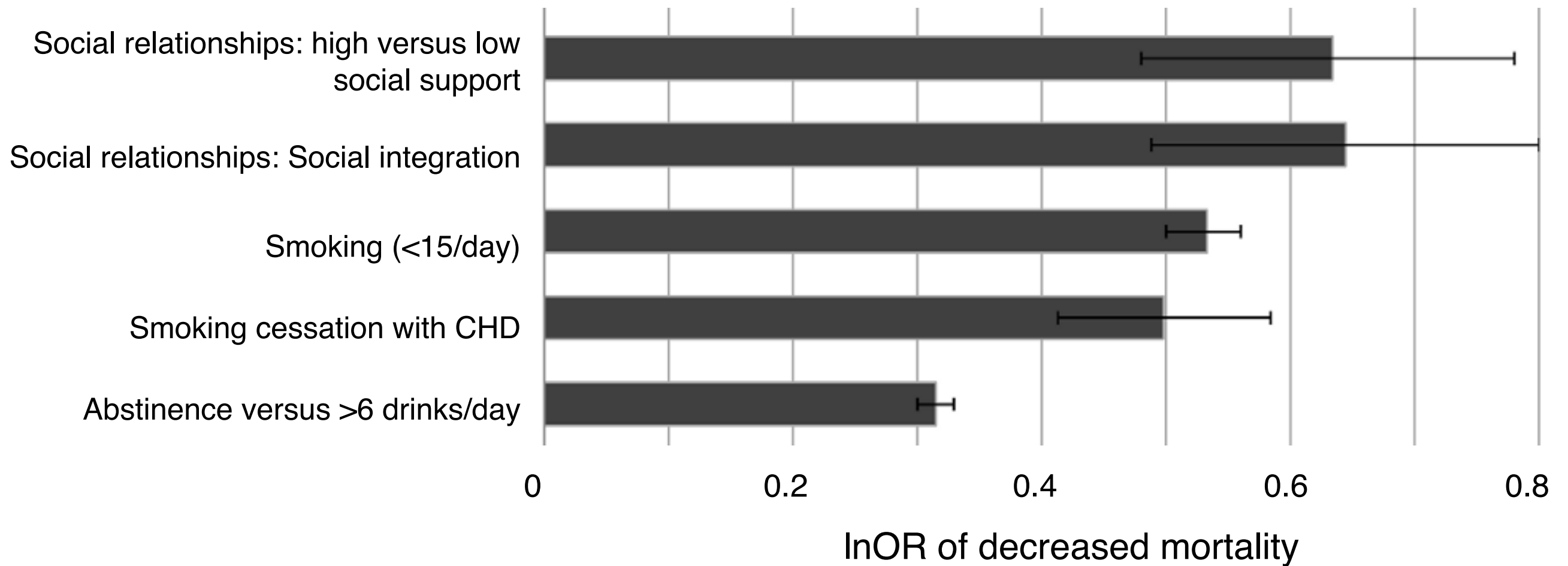
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## ***Researchers Confront an Epidemic of Loneliness***

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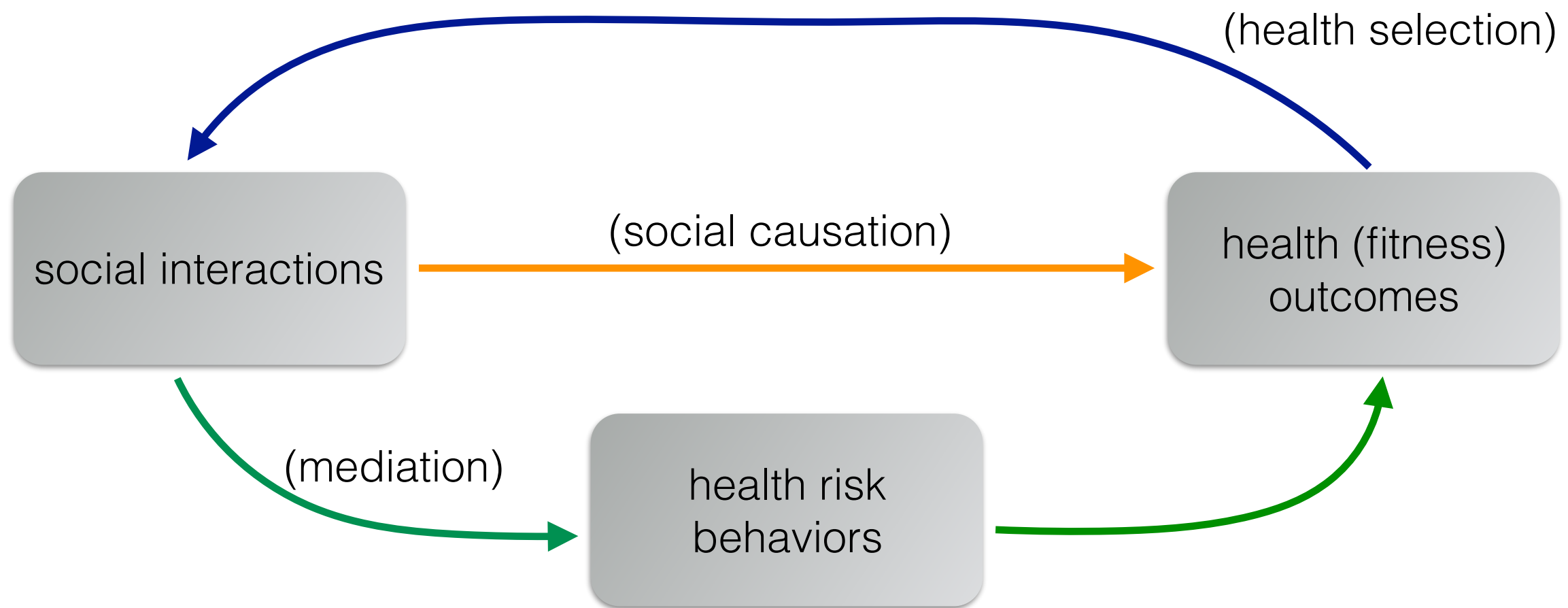
“we have been accustomed to think...in terms [of] nutritional status, fatigue, overwork or the like. I would suggest...that there is another category of environmental factors capable of producing profound effects on host susceptibility...to disease...and that is the presence of other members of the same species, or more generally, certain aspects of the social environment”

-Cassel (1976)

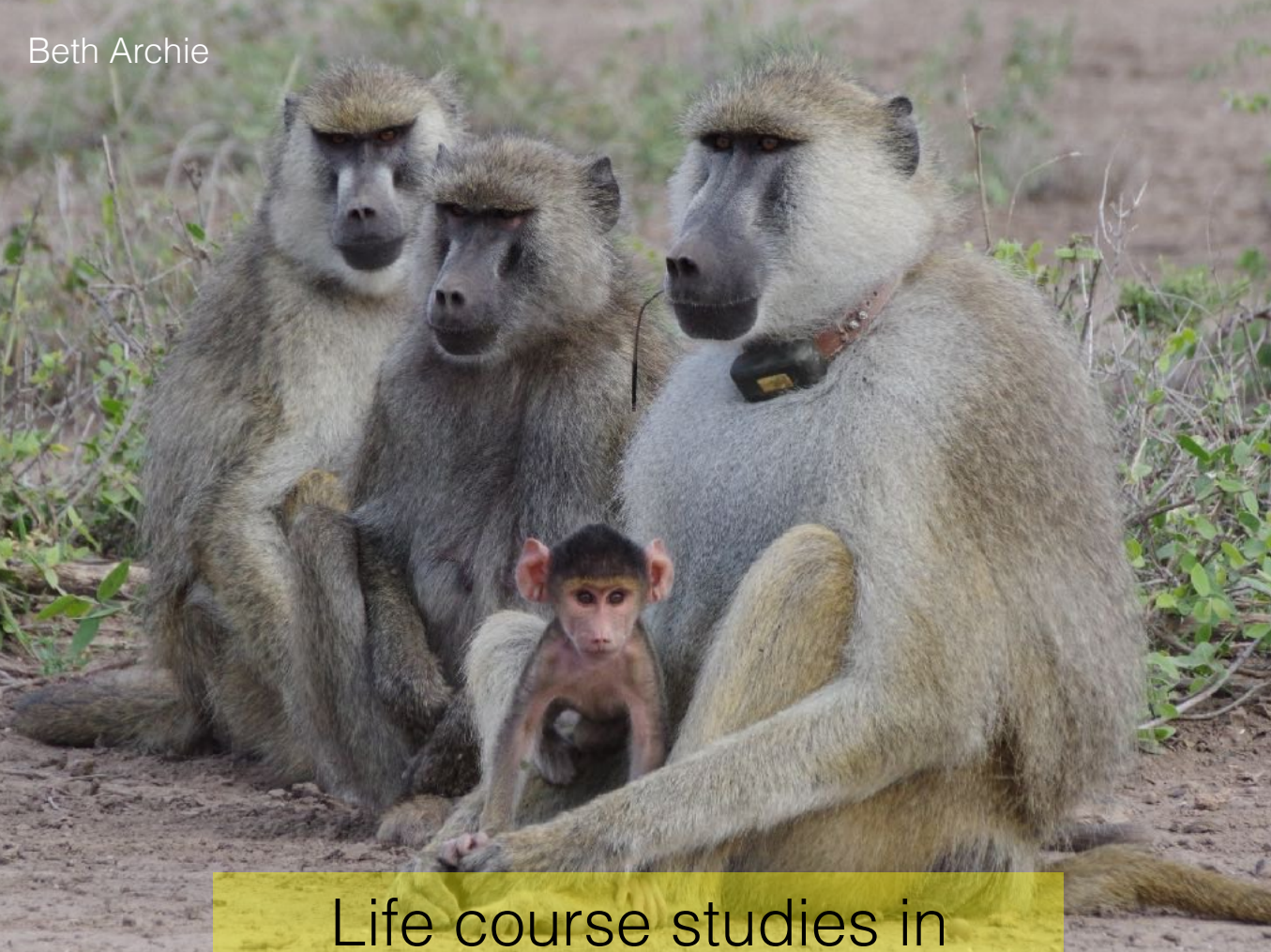
“...social factors such as socioeconomic status and social support are likely ‘fundamental causes’ of disease that...affect multiple disease outcomes through multiple mechanisms”

-Link and Phelan (1995); Phelan, Link, and Tehranifar (2010)









Life course studies in natural populations



Experimental studies in captive model systems





# Social environment is associated with gene regulatory variation in the rhesus macaque immune system

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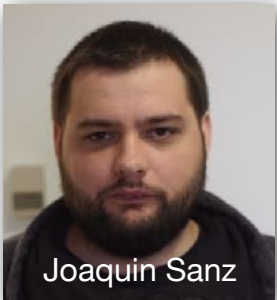


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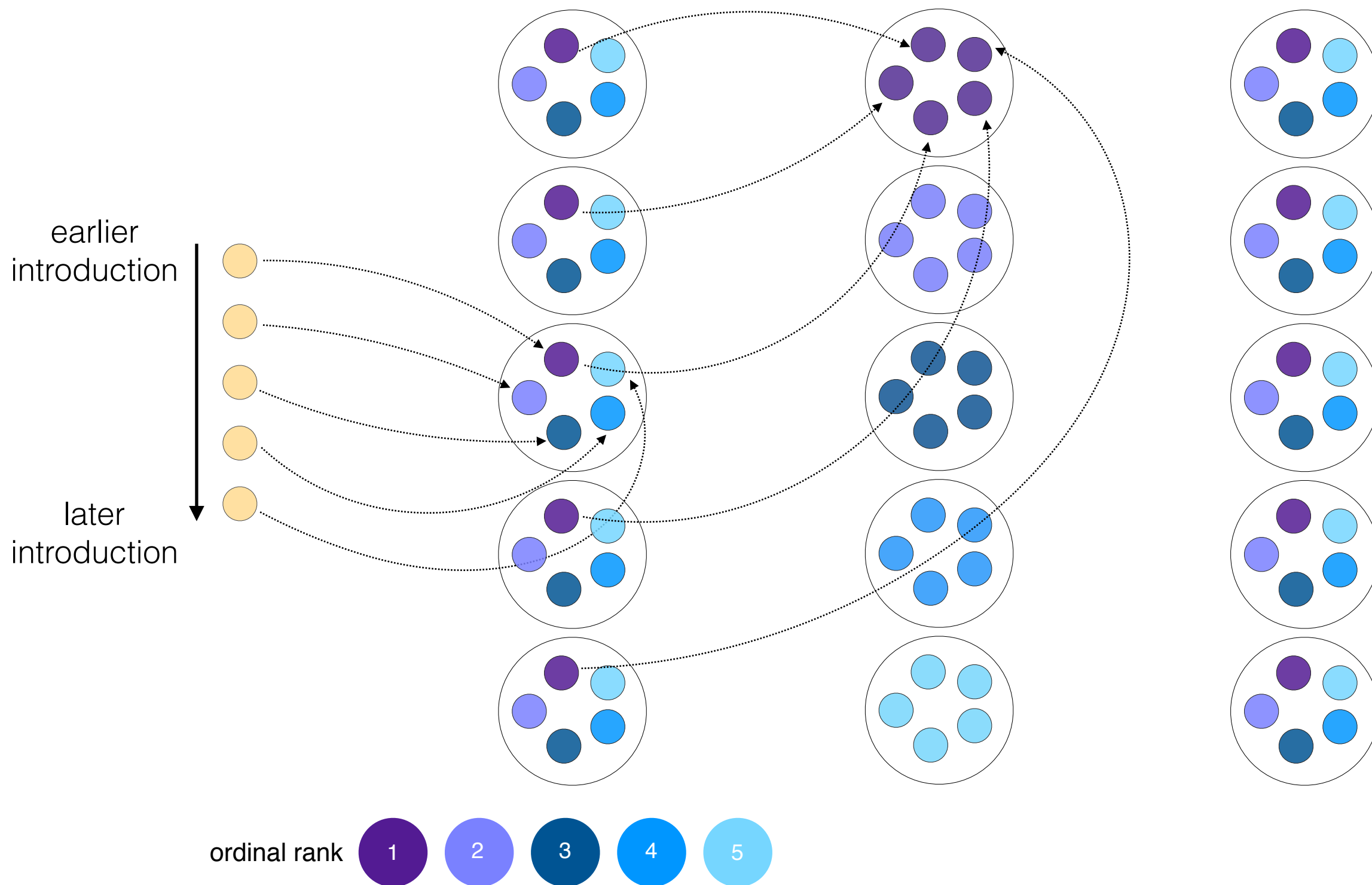


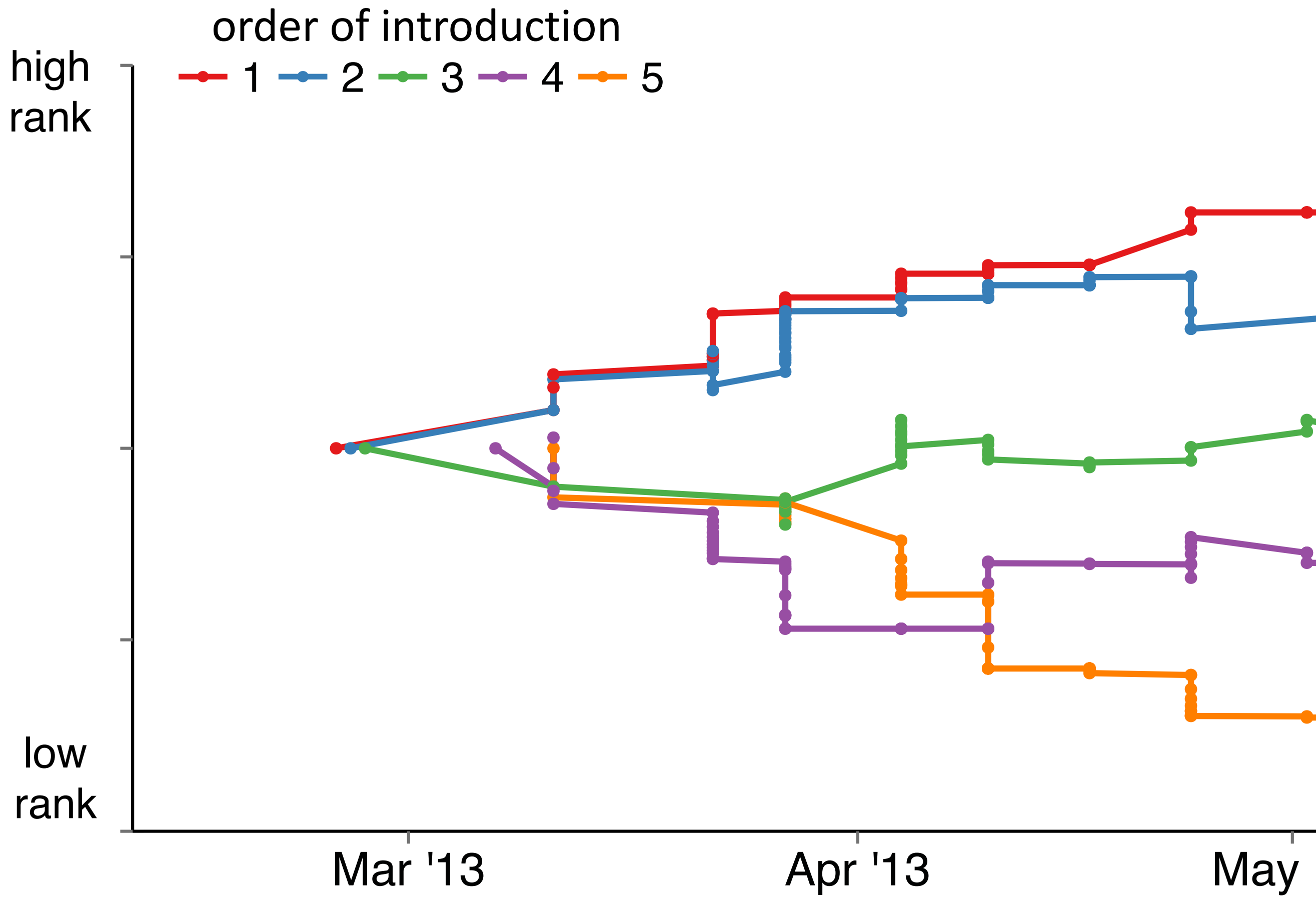


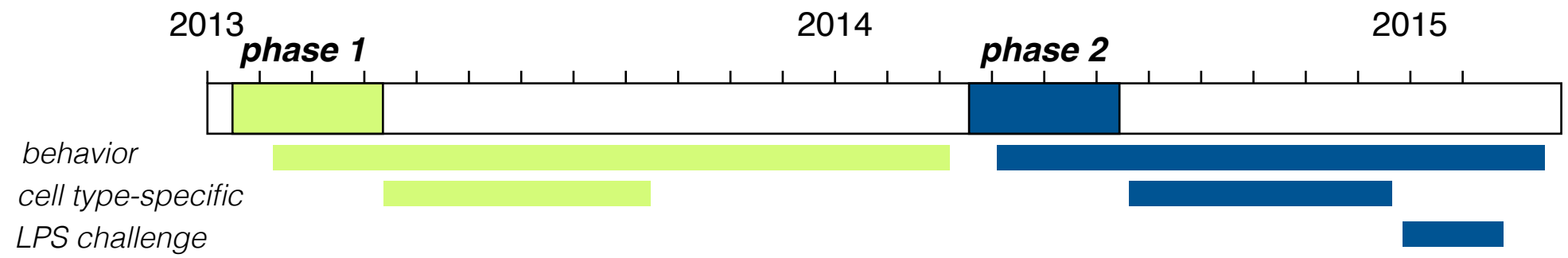
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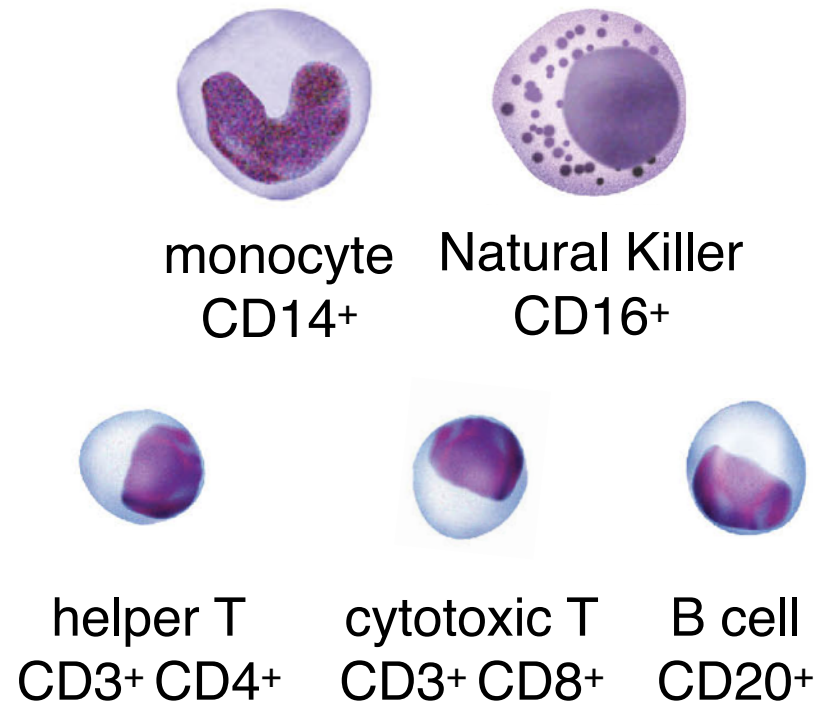
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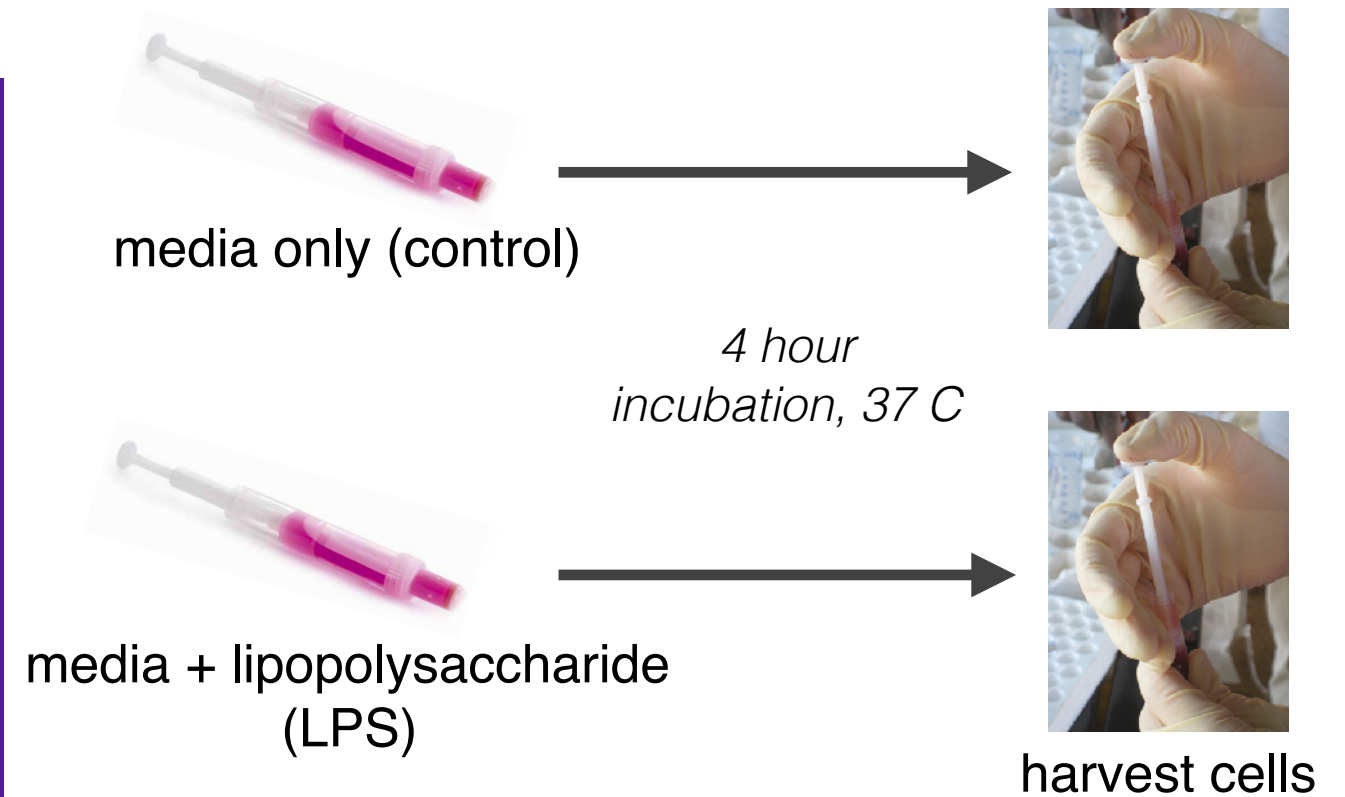




phase 1 + 2

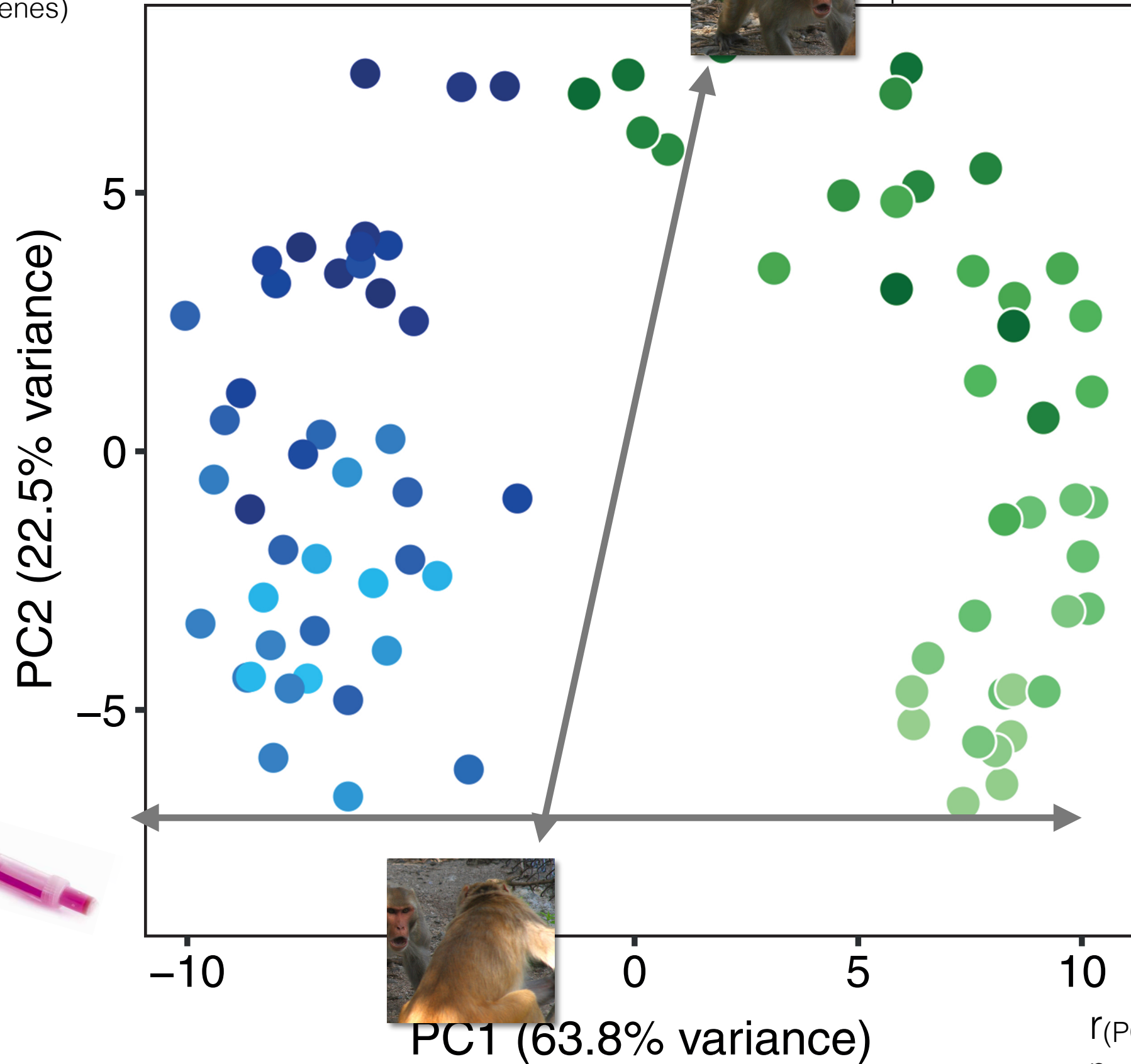


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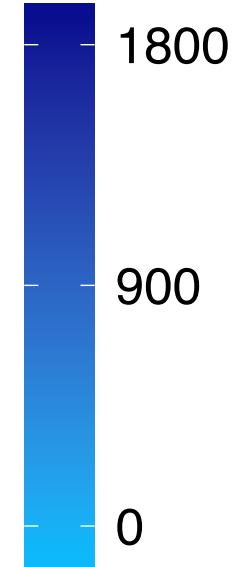




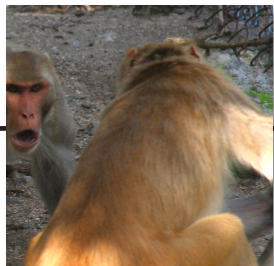
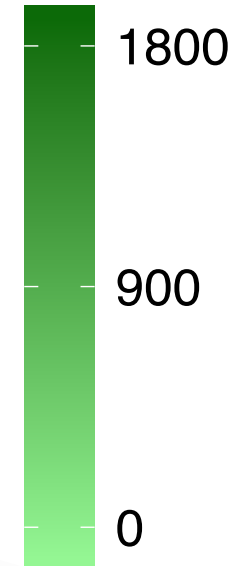
n = 45 females,  
matched neg control (NC) and  
LPS+ RNA-samples at 4 hrs  
(9,047 genes)

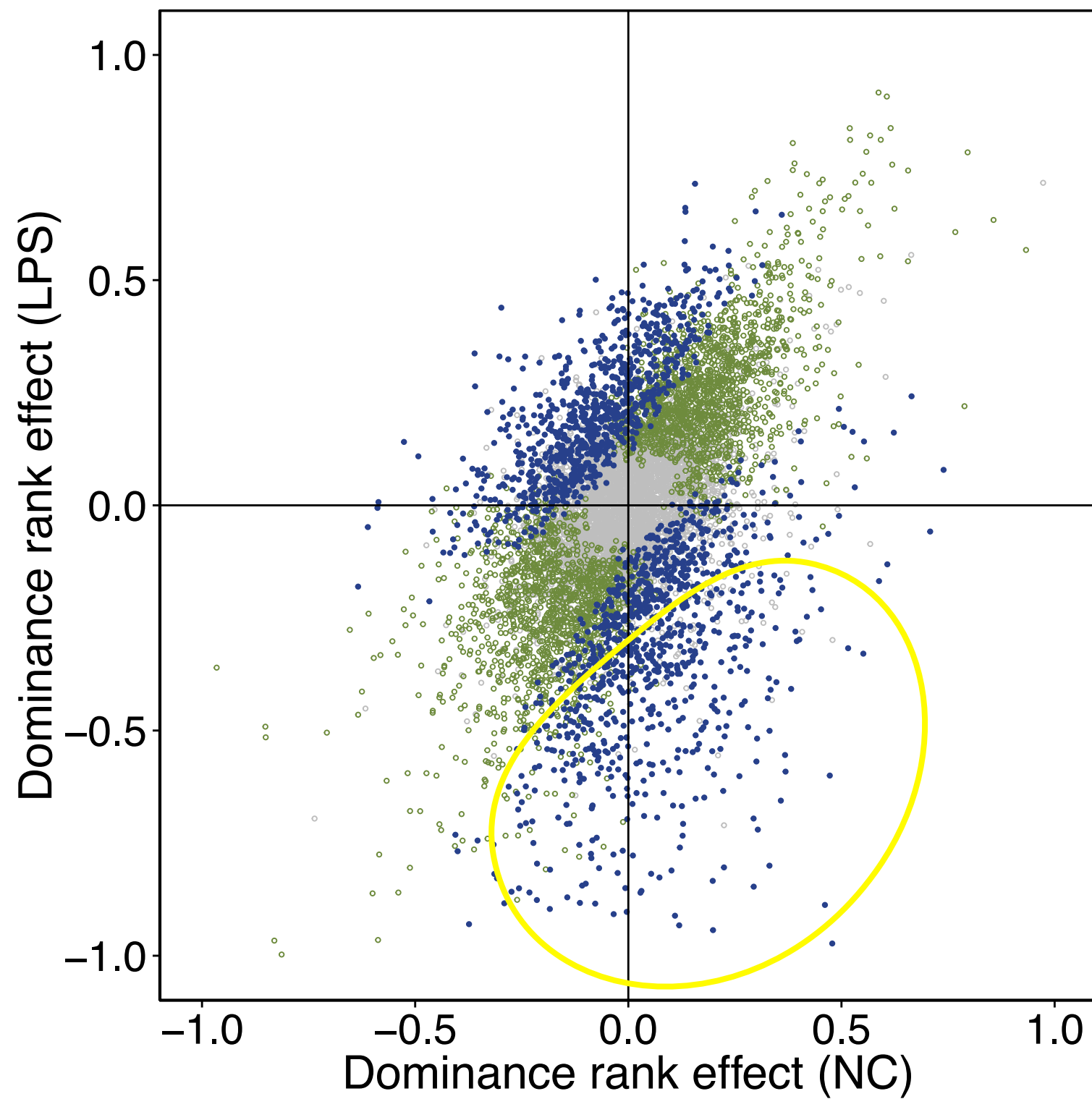


Elo (NC)

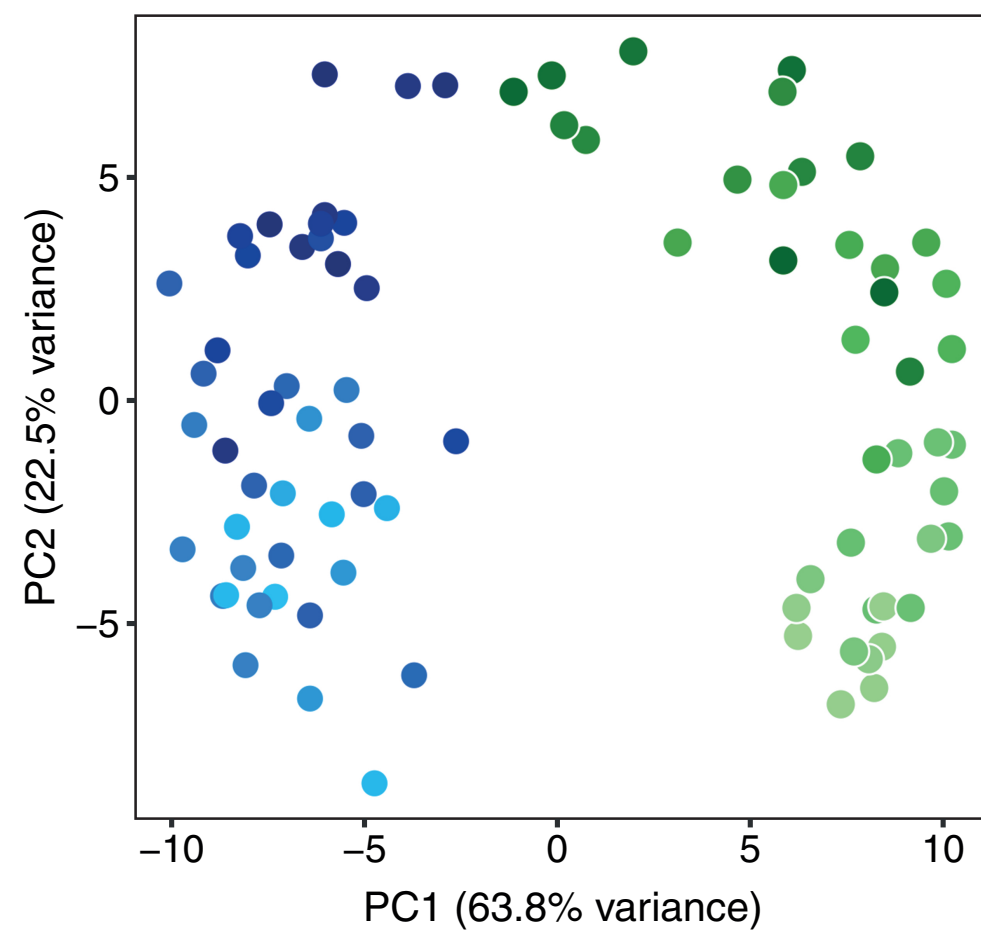


Elo (LPS)





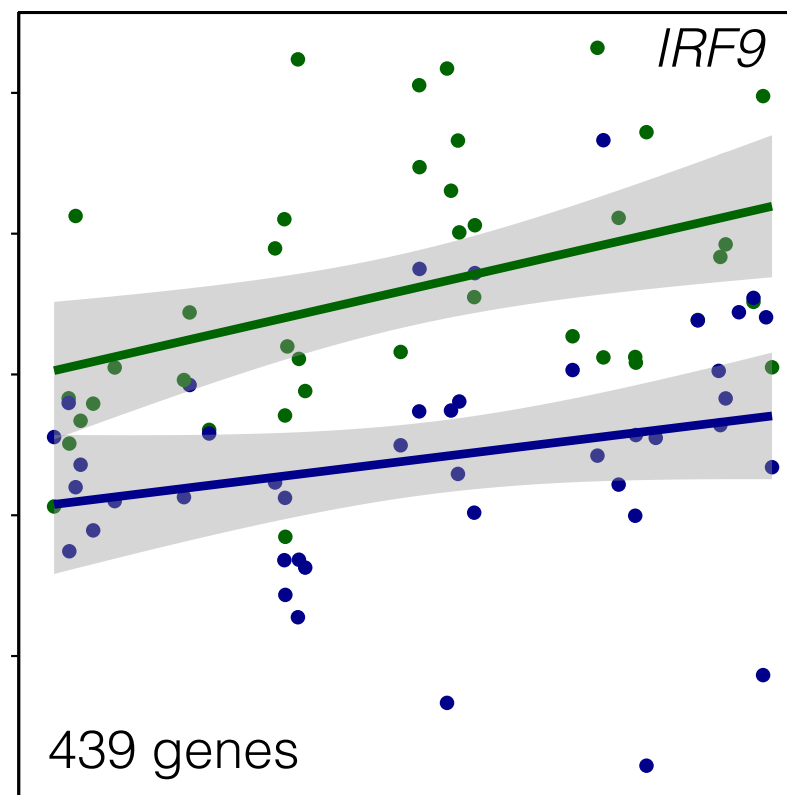
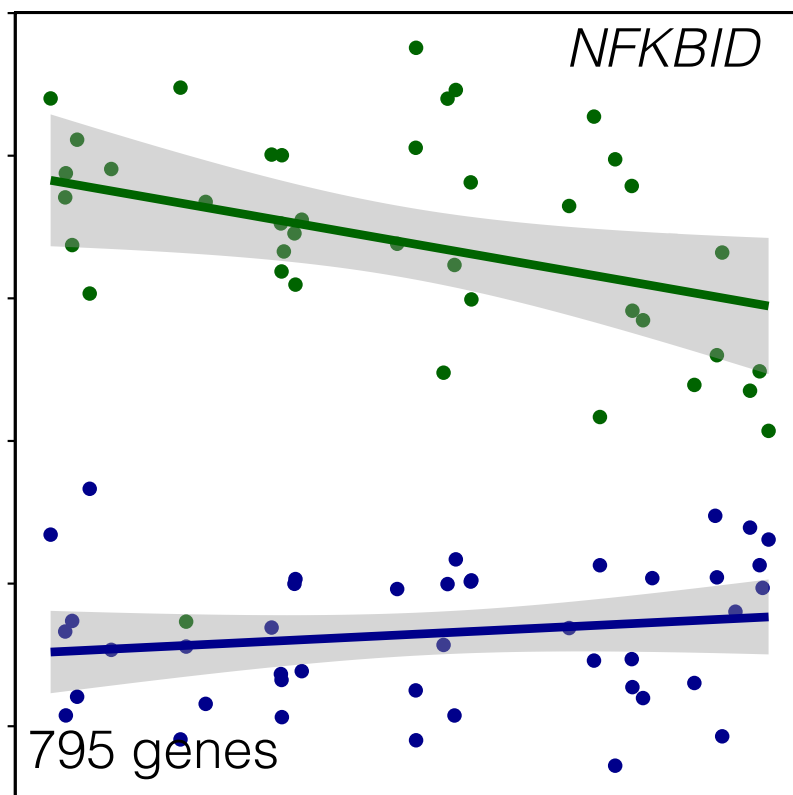
- no effect, either condition
- rank effect in both conditions
- rank-condition interaction



lower exp in high rank

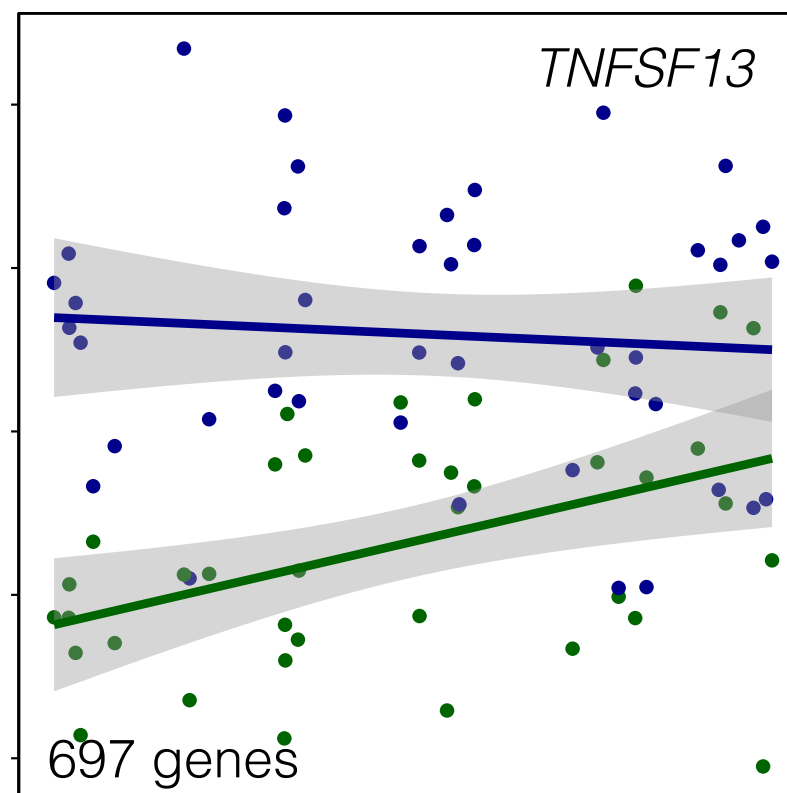
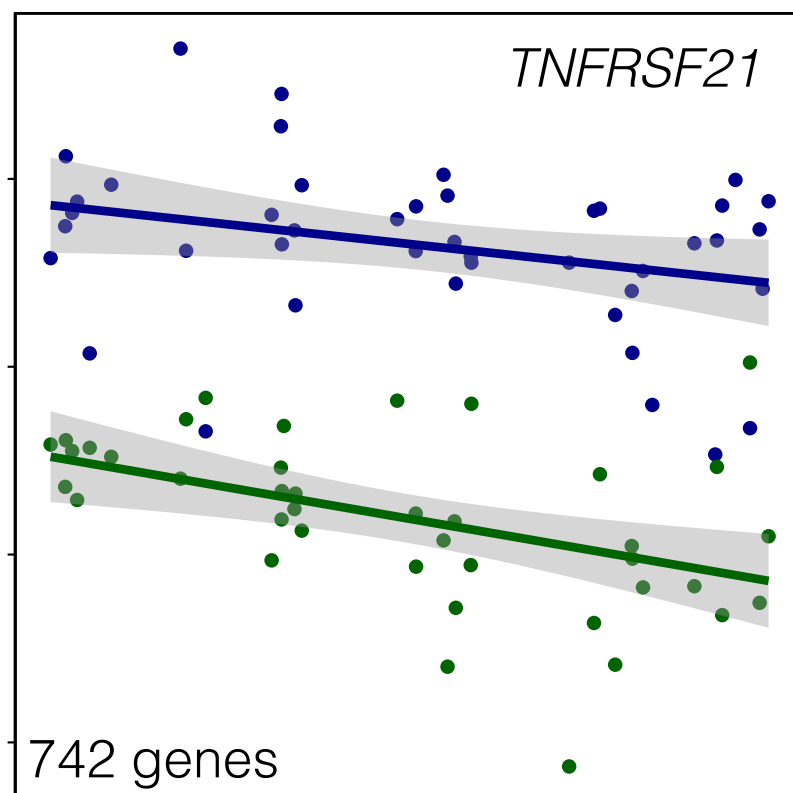
high exp in high rank

upregulated in LPS



LPS  
NC

down regulated in LPS



low rank

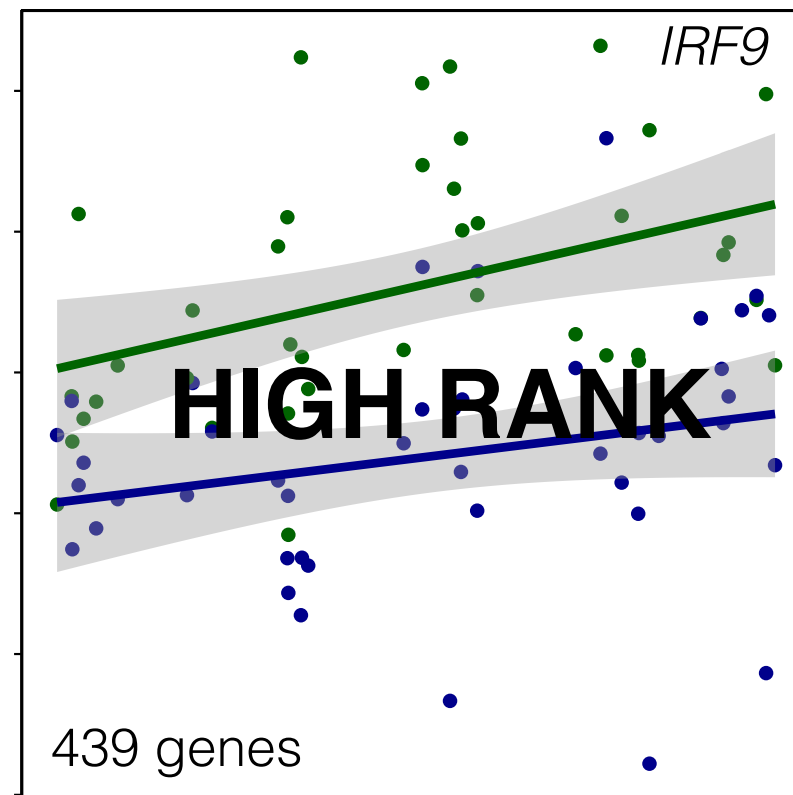
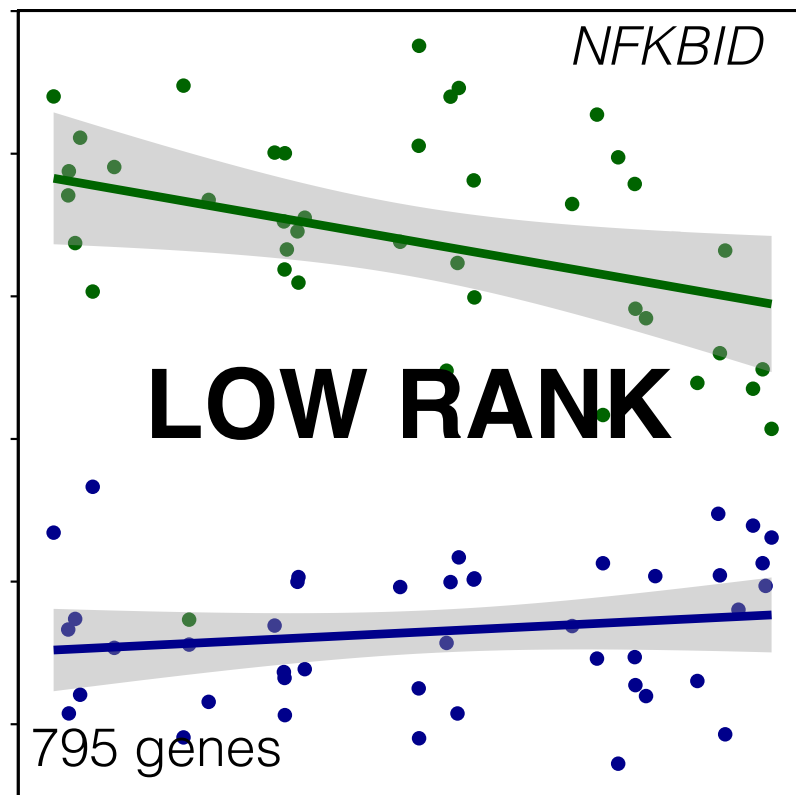
high rank



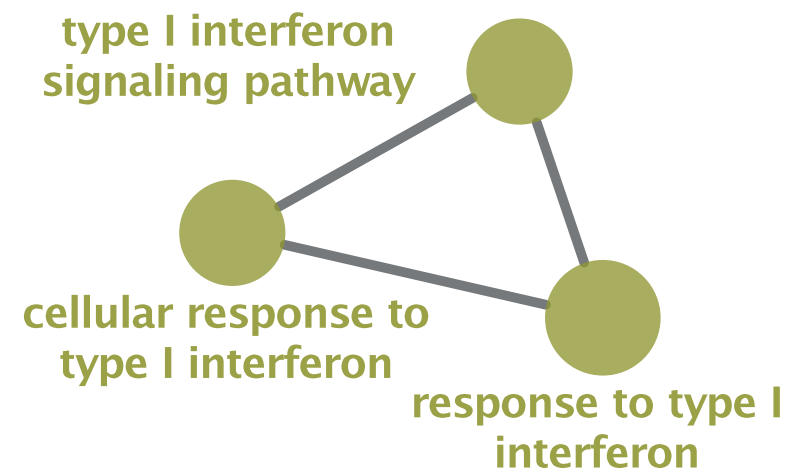
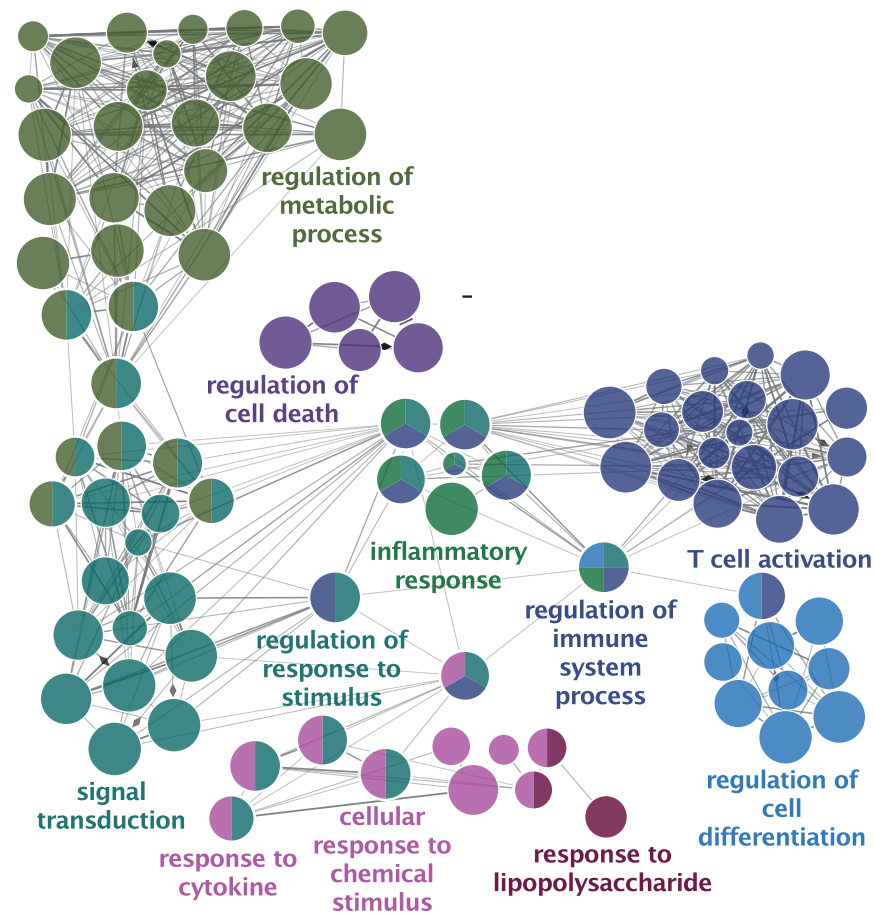
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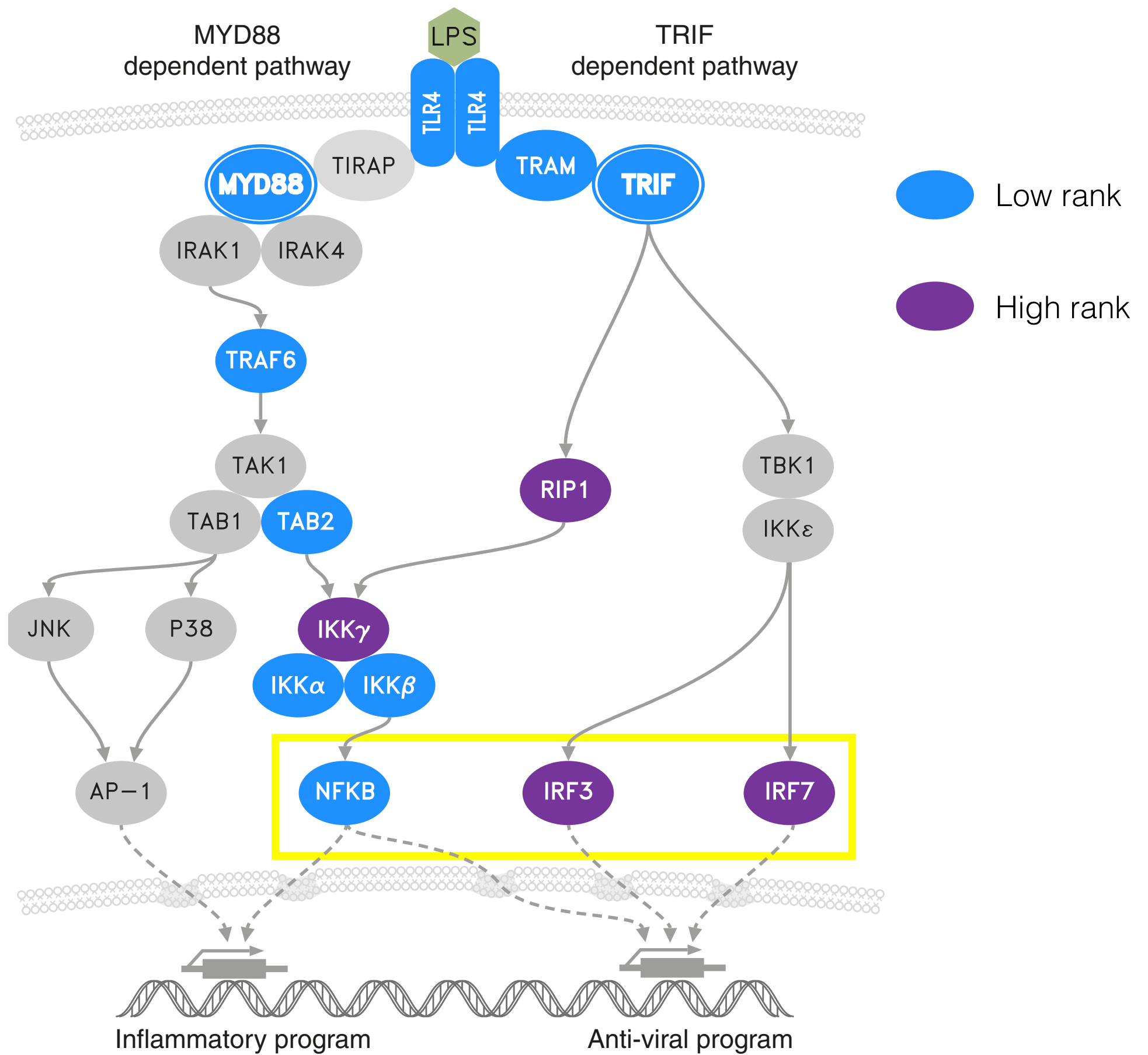
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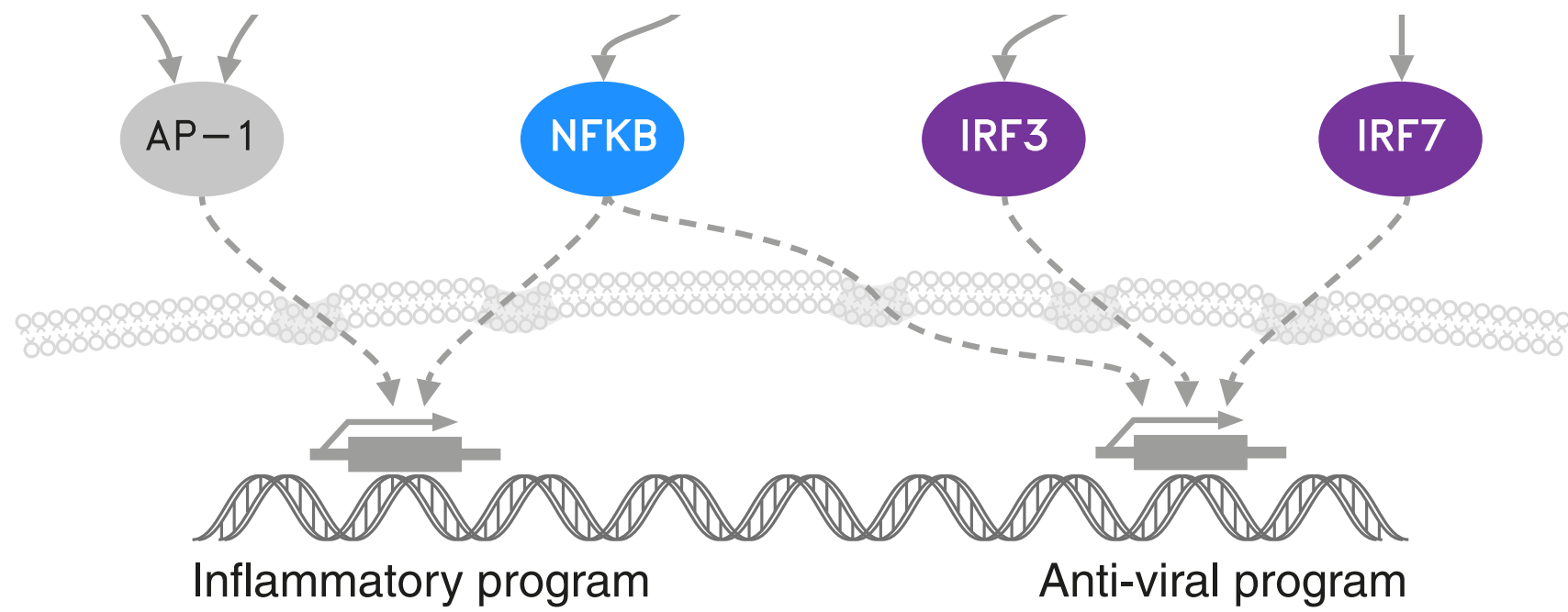
upregulated in LPS



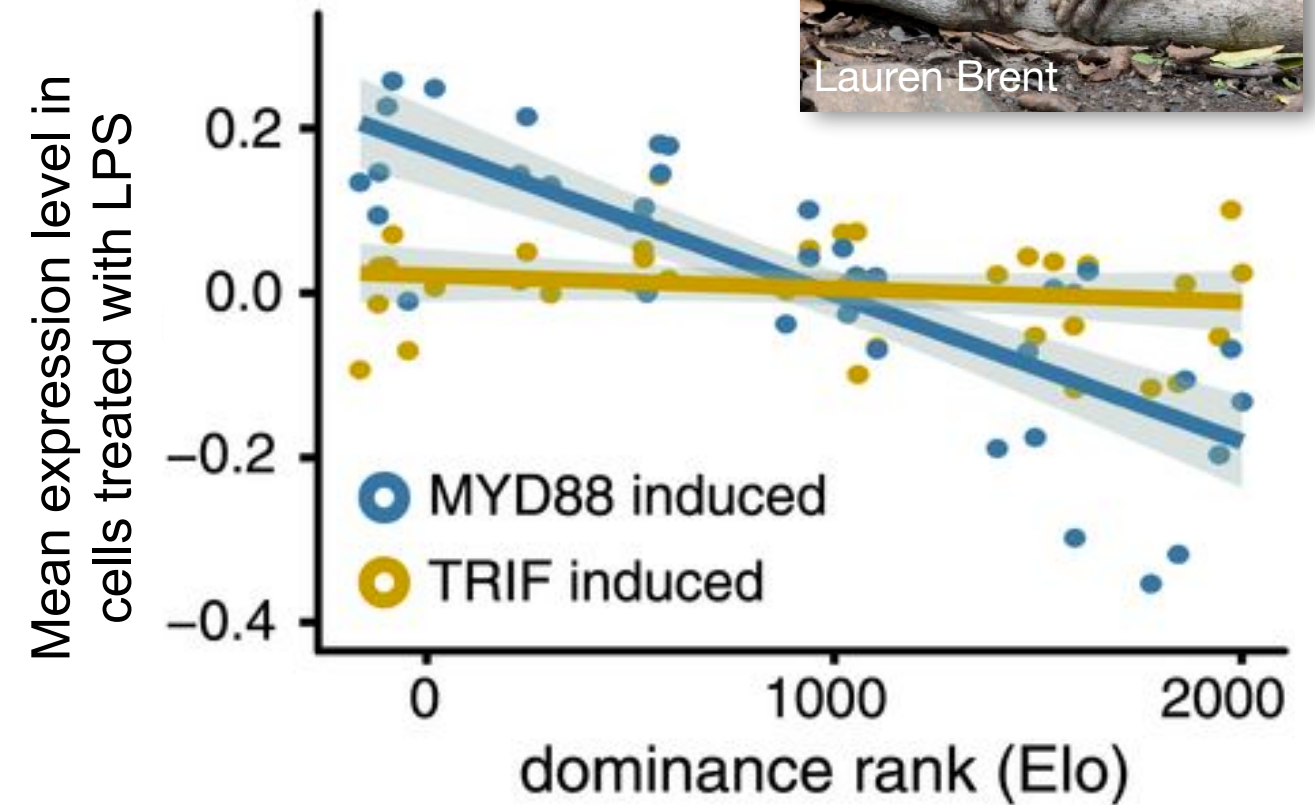
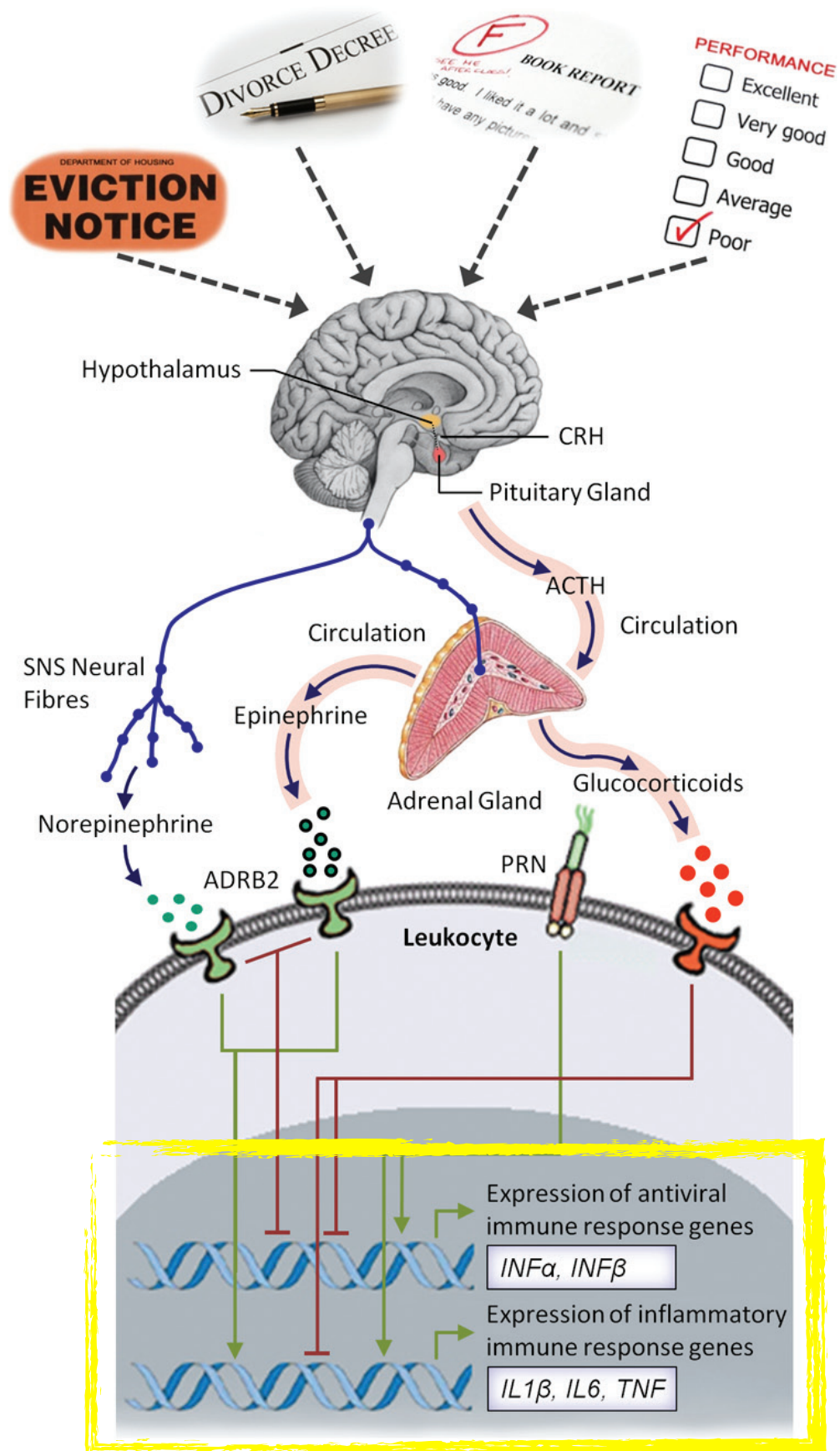
LPS  
NC











\*mouse KO data from Ramsey et al 2008, PLoS Comp Bio

“conserved transcriptional response to adversity”

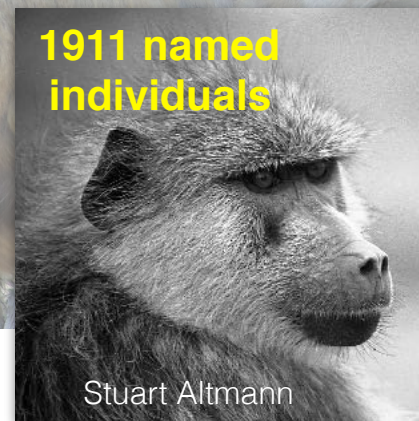




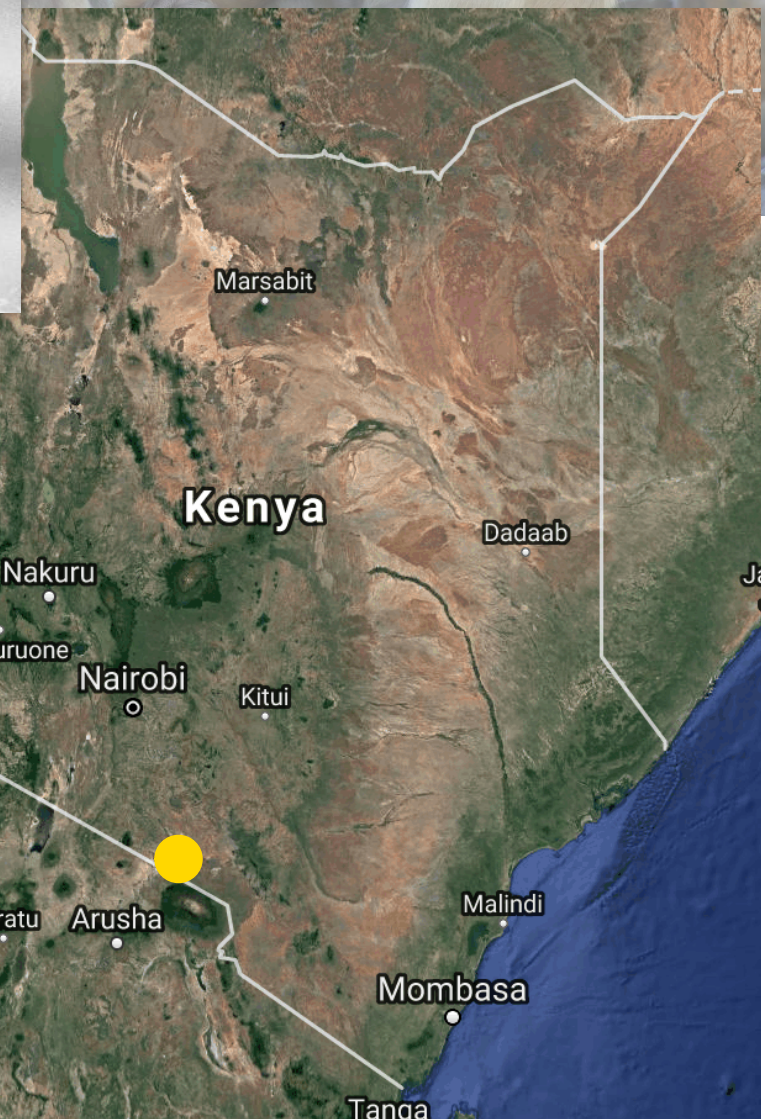
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1911 named  
individuals



Stuart Altmann



Susan Alberts

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Jeanne Altmann





null

LPS+

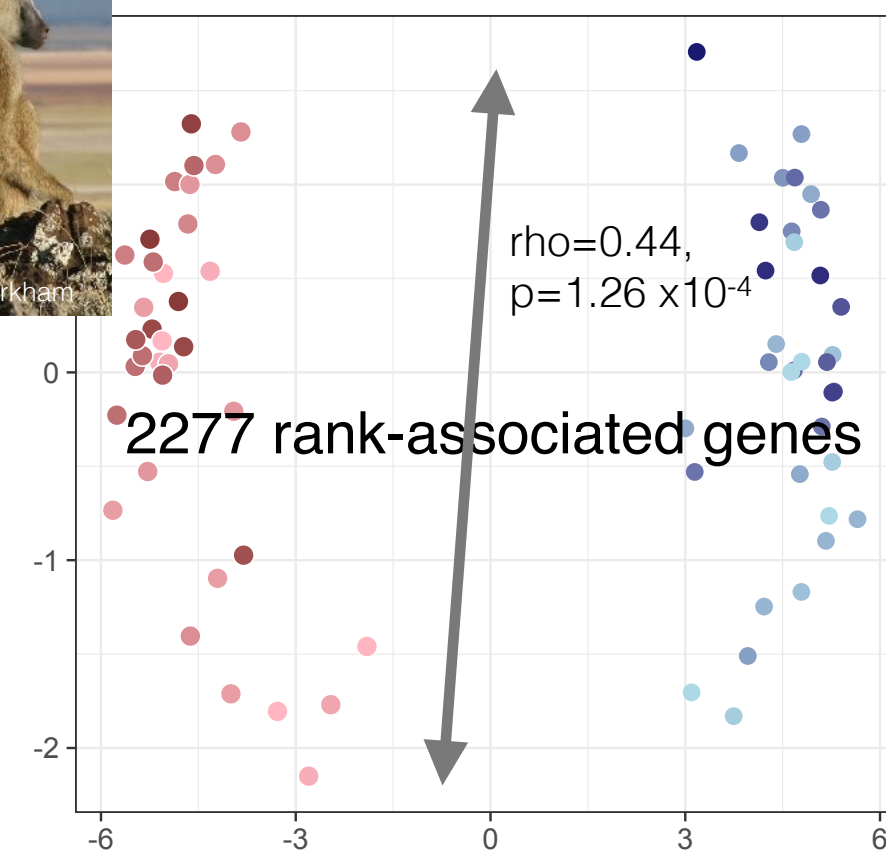
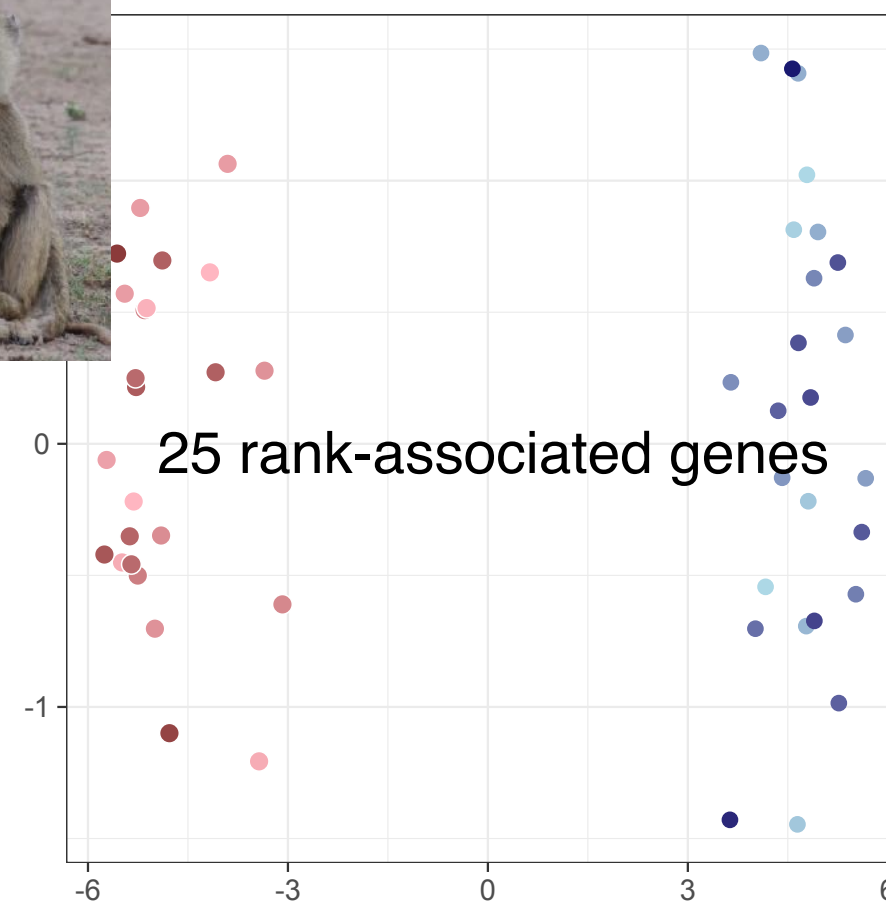
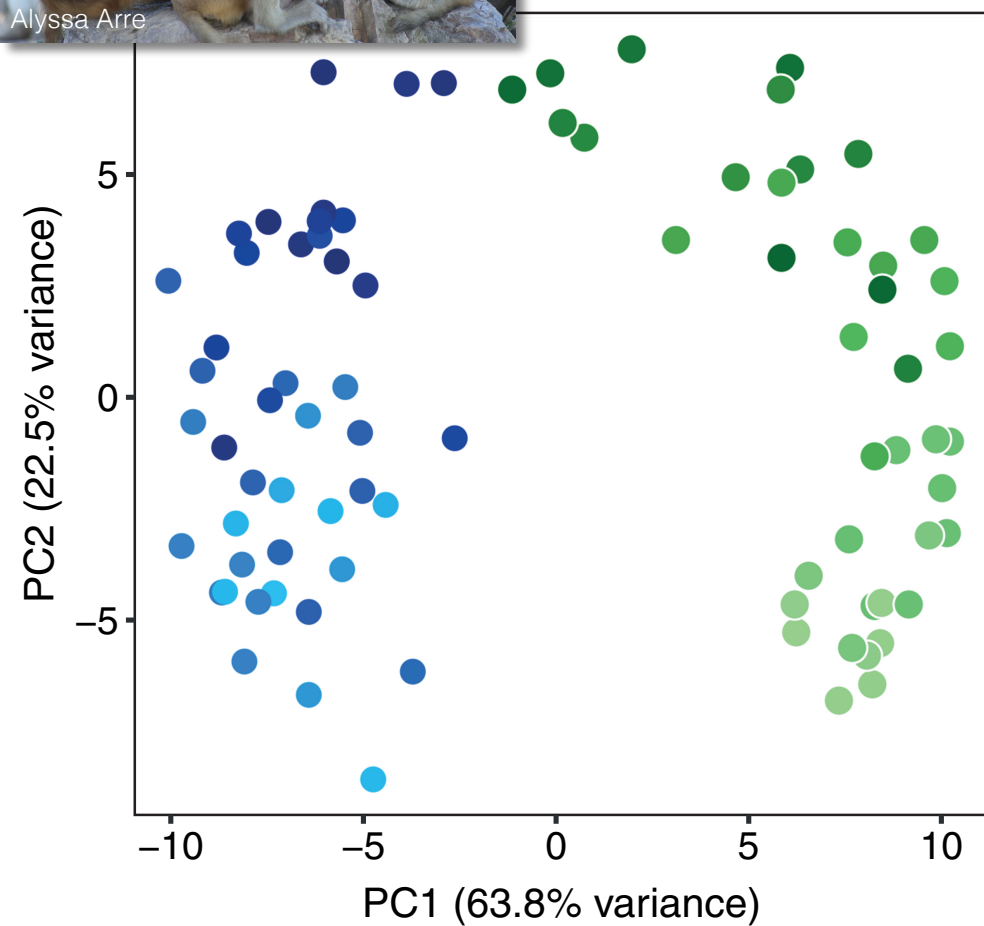


26 adult females, 35 adult males (n=121 post-QC samples)

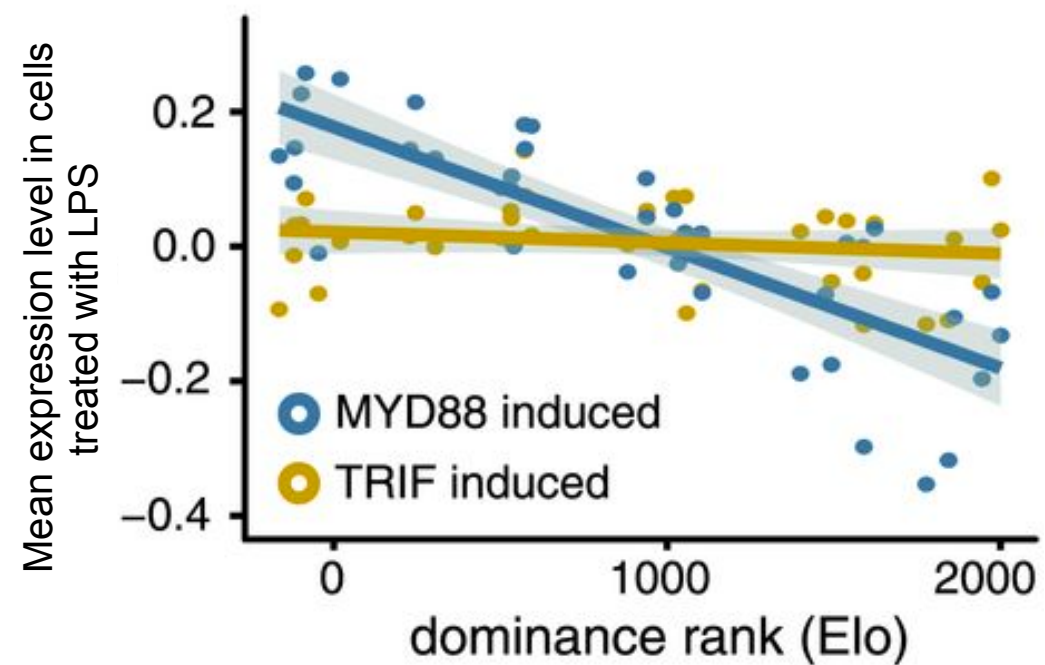
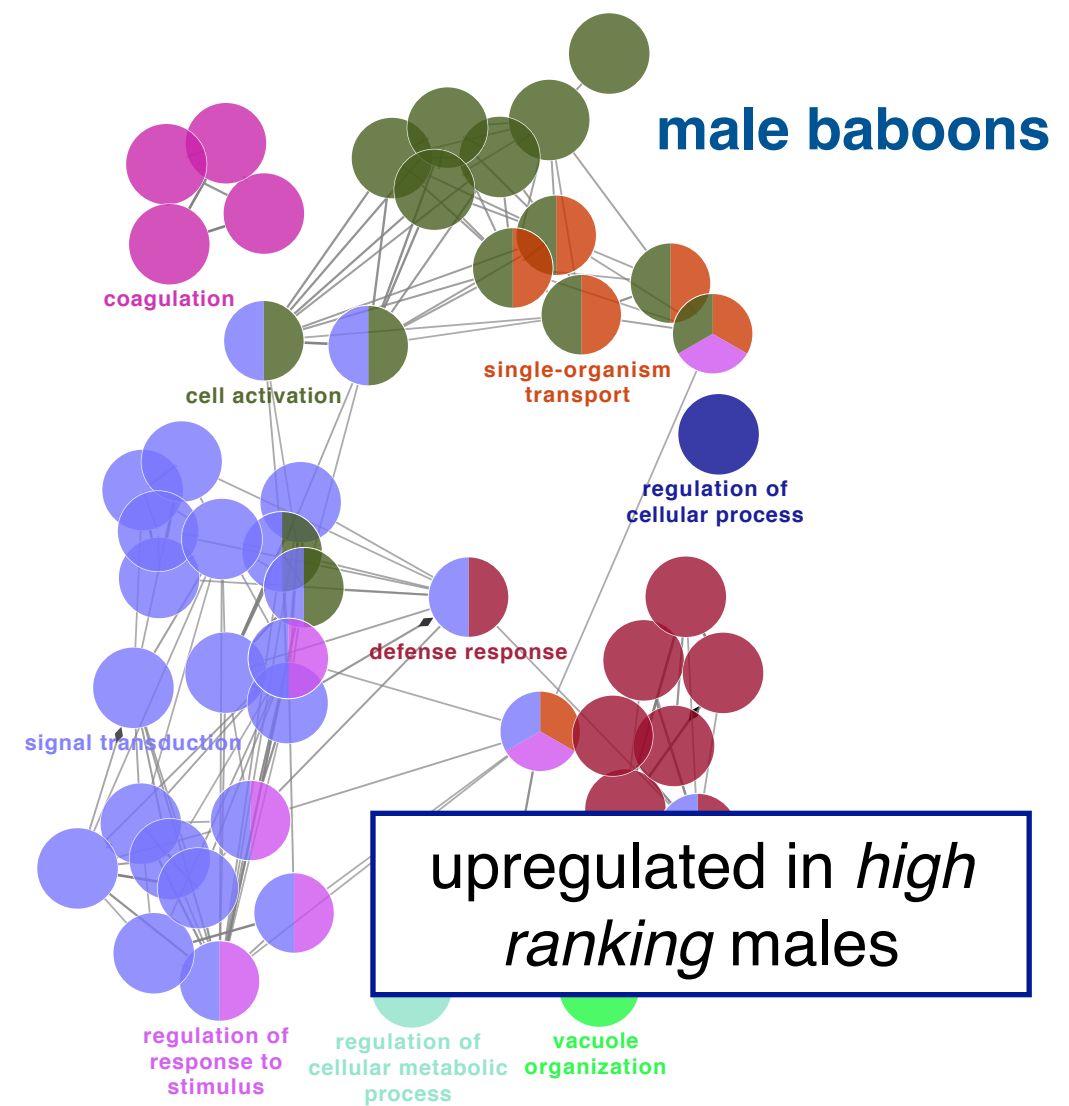
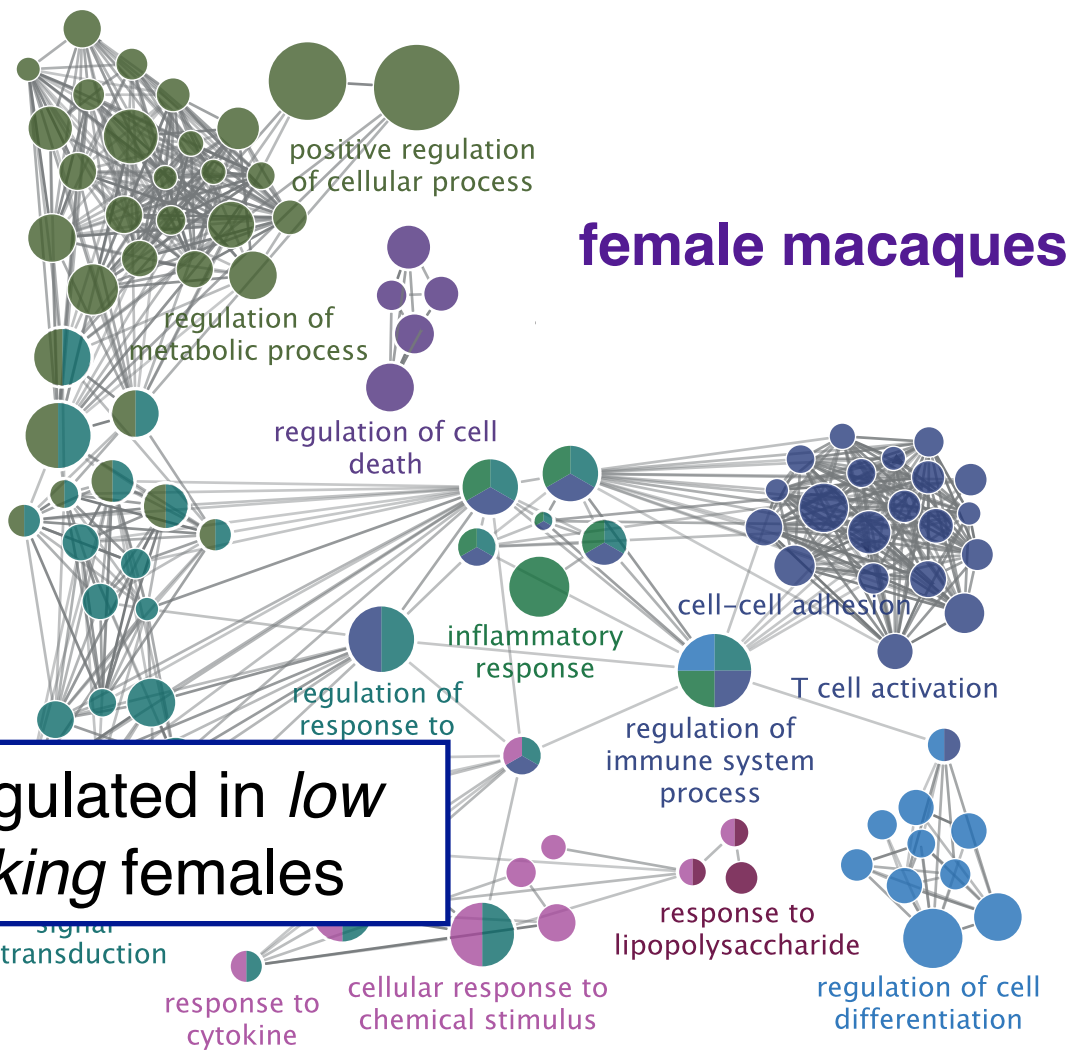
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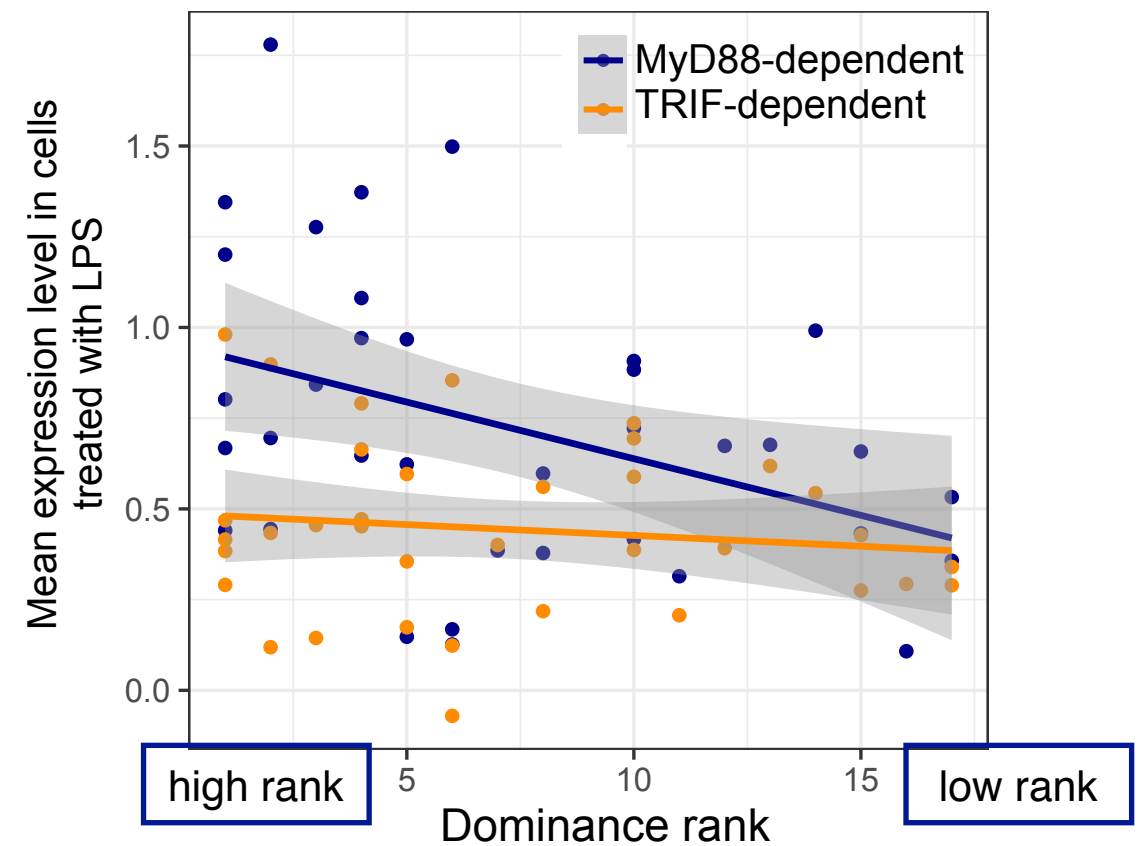






low rank

high rank



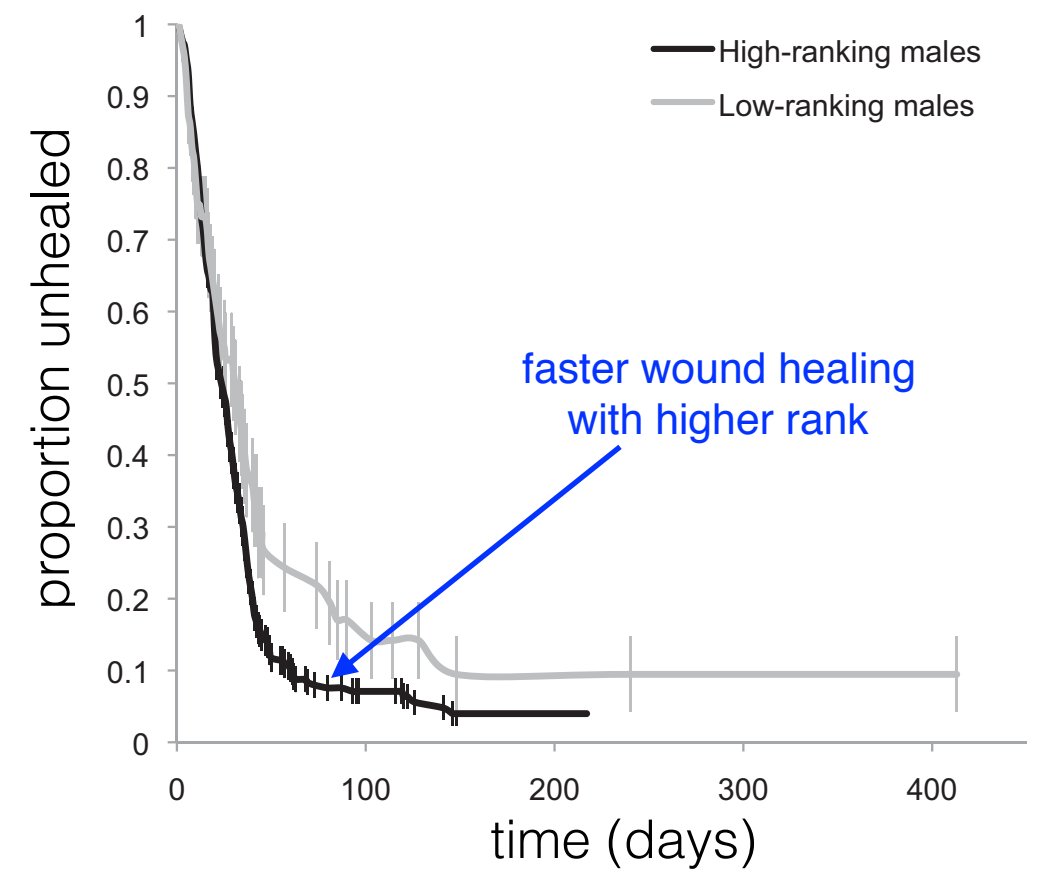
high rank

low rank



Beth Archie

from Archie et al 2012



- How does the social environment-immune relationship vary depending on the *nature of hierarchies, the local environment, or individual characteristics?*
- How stable are the effects of social interactions over time?  
How does stability depend on the outcome measure?
- What is the adaptive value (if any) of these responses?
- How does social history interact with exposure history (and age)?
- To what degree do these interactions explain increased variance by chronological age?



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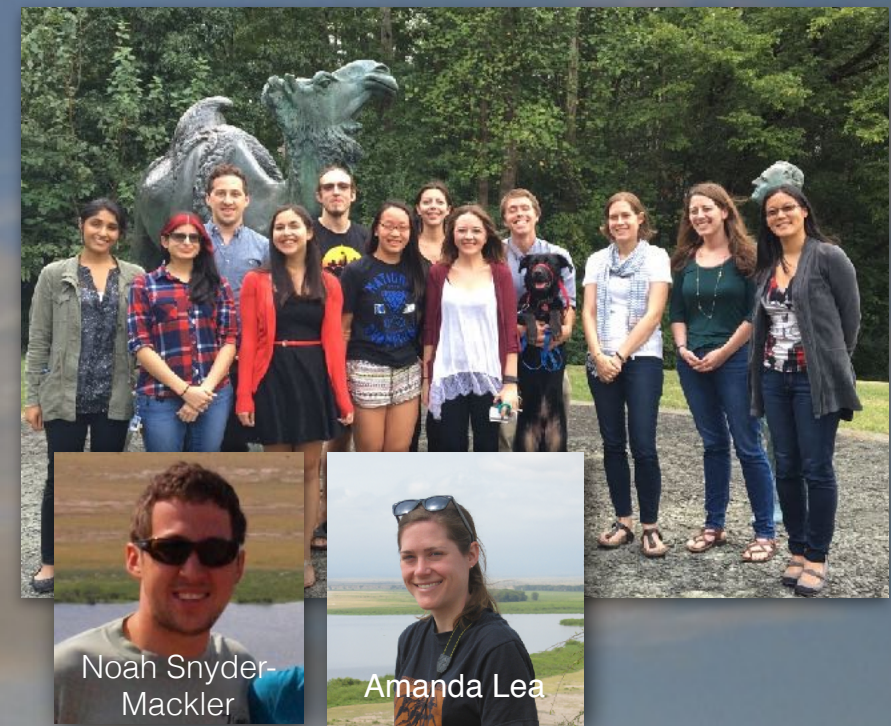
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