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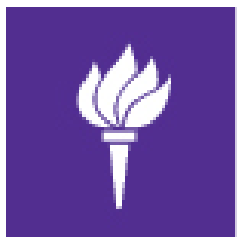
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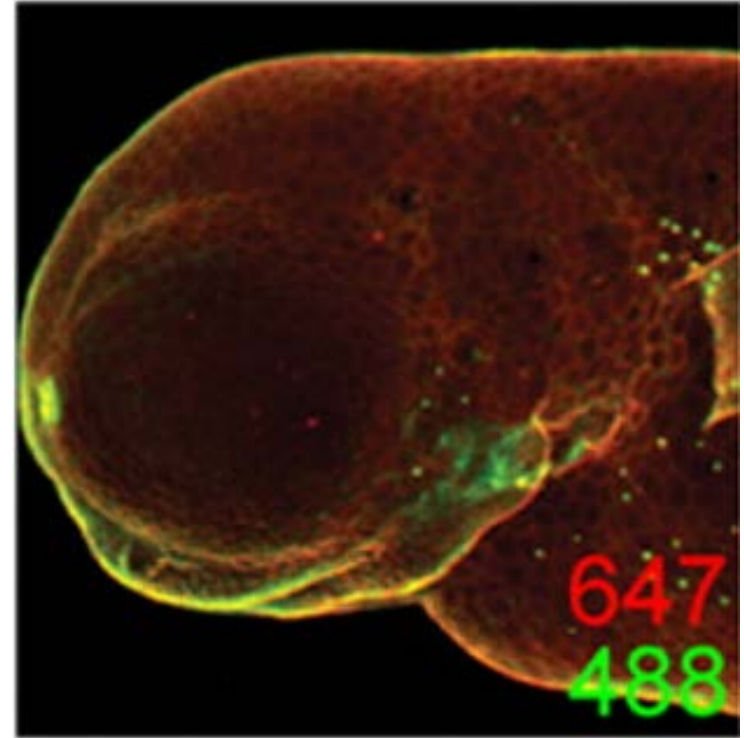
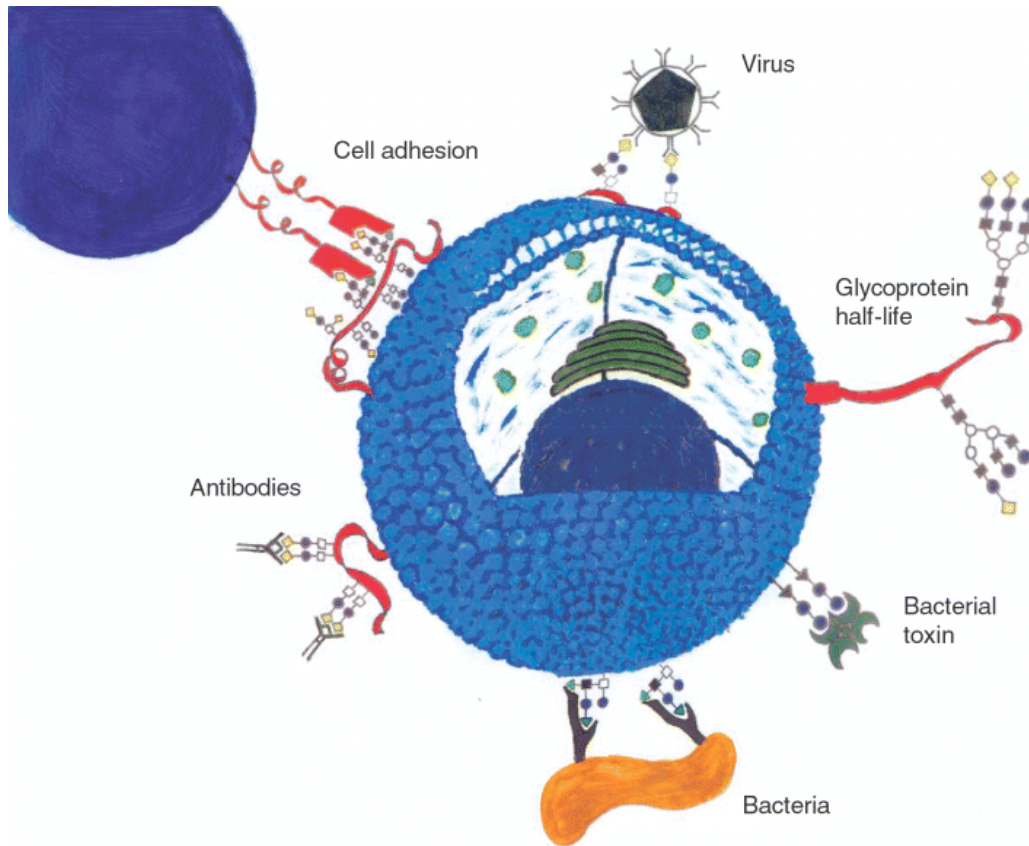
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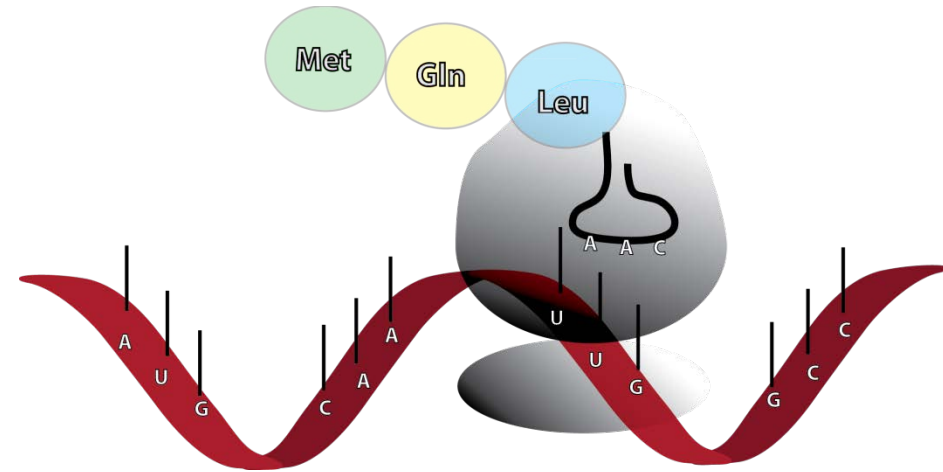
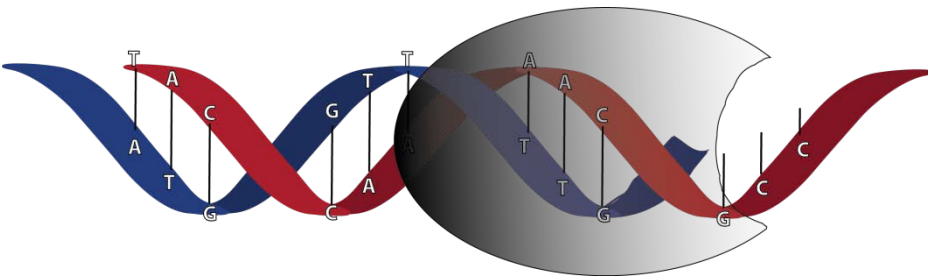
# Carbohydrates are pervasive and involved in many cellular interactions



Holgerson et al, *Immuno Cell Biol*, 2005

Baskin et al, *PNAS*, 2007

# Nucleic acids and proteins are synthesized with a defined template and dedicated polymerases



**Macromolecule: Nucleic acid**

**Macromolecule: polypeptide**

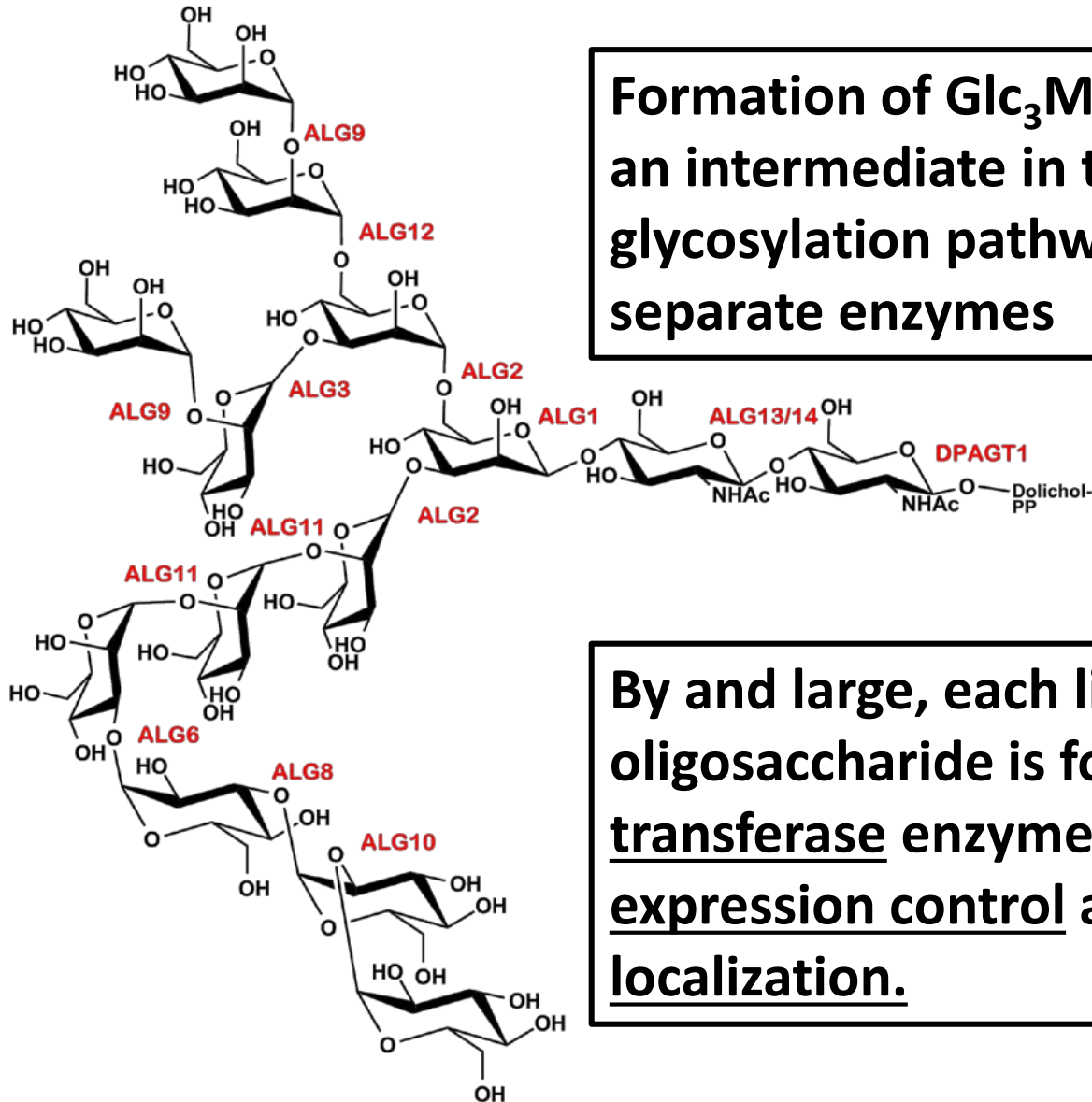
**Polymerase: DNA Pol or RNA Pol**

**Polymerase: Ribosome**

**Template: DNA strand**

**Template: mRNA strand**

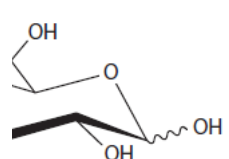
# Glycan biosynthesis lacks a dedicated polymerase and genetic template



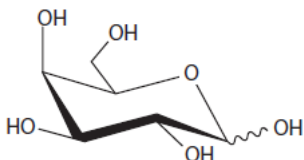
Formation of  $\text{Glc}_3\text{Man}_9\text{GlcNAc}_2\text{-DolPP}$ , an intermediate in the *N*-linked glycosylation pathway, requires 12 separate enzymes

By and large, each linkage in an oligosaccharide is formed by a specific transferase enzyme with specific expression control and subcellular localization.

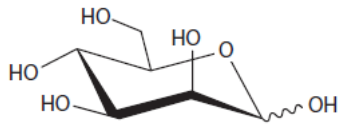
# Consortium for Functional Glycomics (CFG) Notation



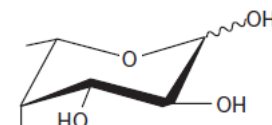
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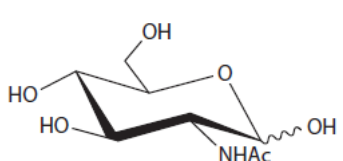
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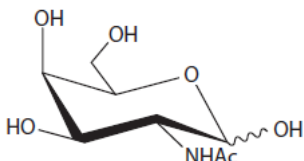
Mannose



Fucose



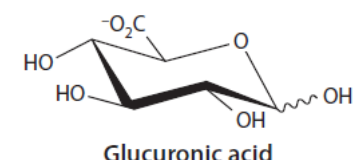
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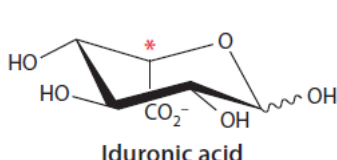
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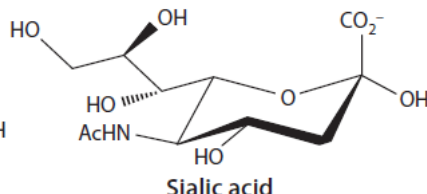
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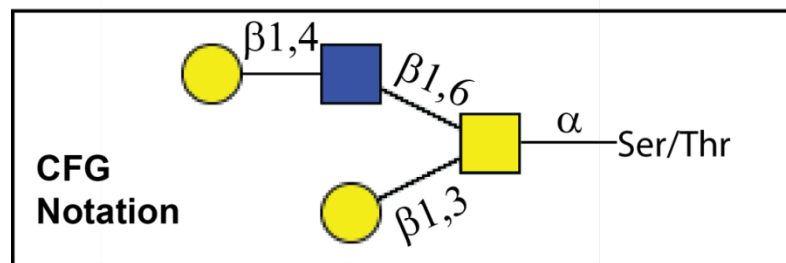
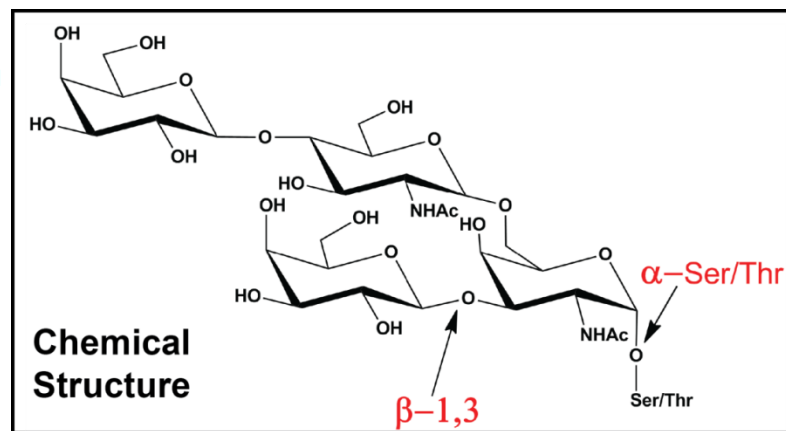
Glucuronic acid



Iduronic acid



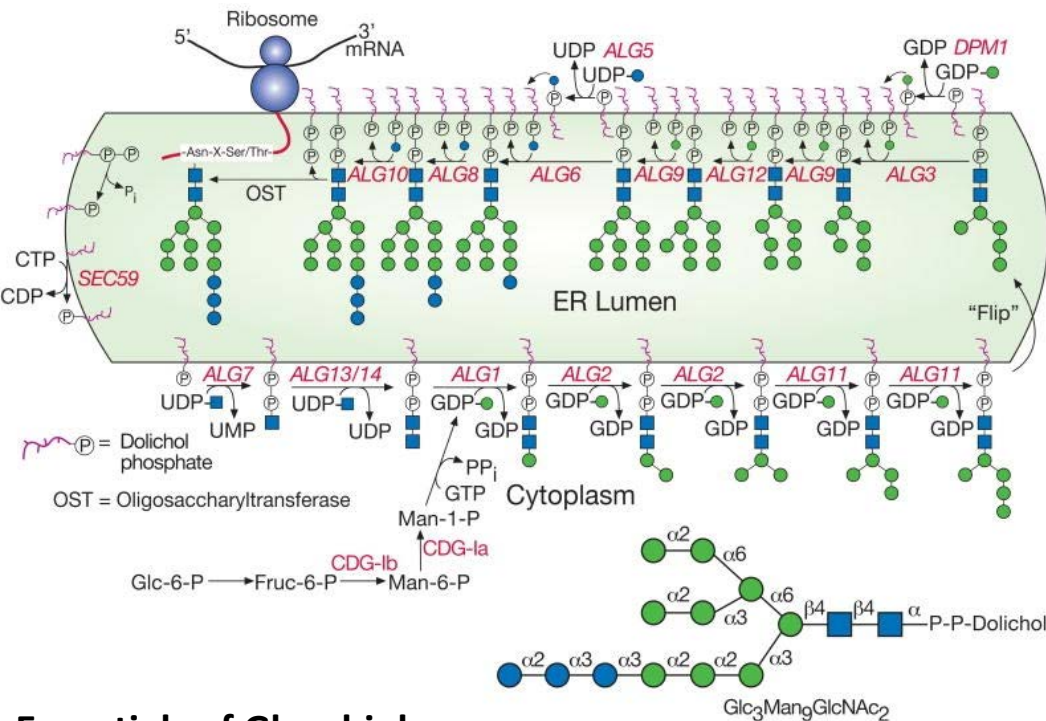
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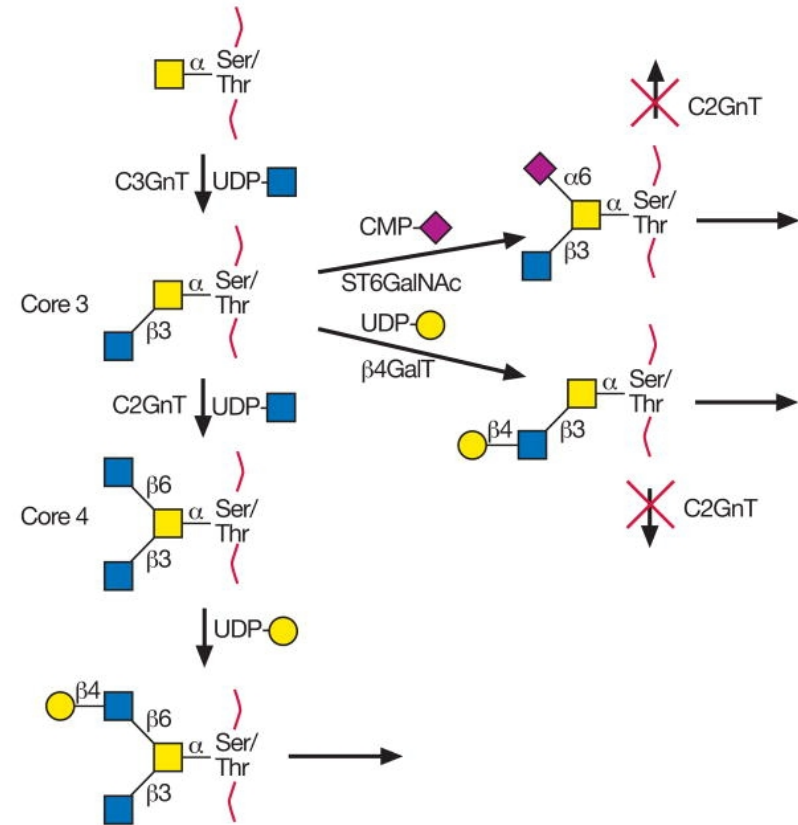


# There are two primary glycosylation pathways

**N-linked glycosylation** occurs in the ER and Golgi and involves construction of a lipid-linked 14-mer precursor before being transferred to an Asn residue and further modified to form the final structure. Modified proteins have N-x-S/T consensus sequence

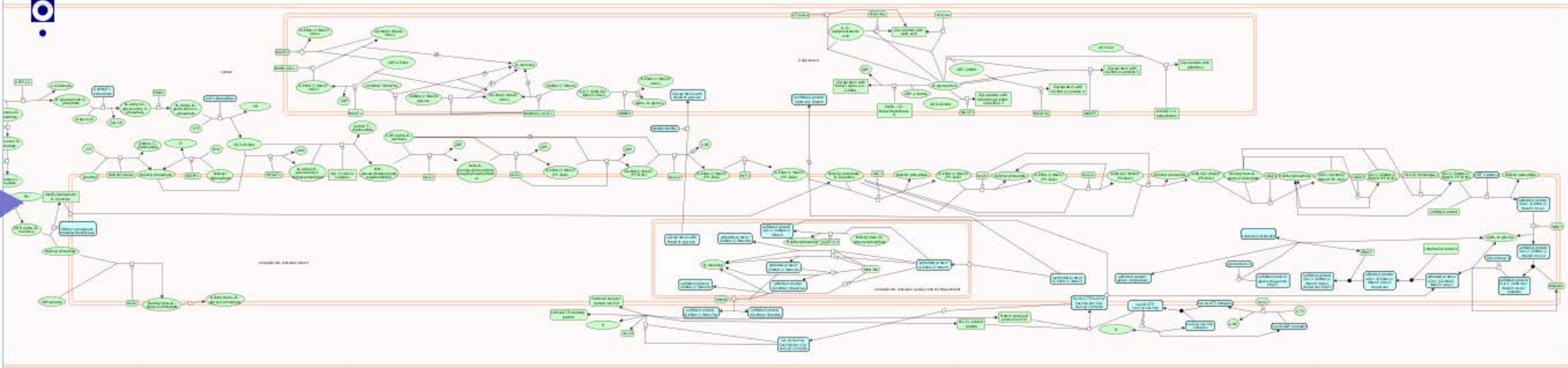


**O-linked glycosylation** occurs in the Golgi apparatus and involves transfer of a monosaccharide directly to a Ser/Thr residue by a specific ppGalNacT followed by further elaboration. No known consensus sequence



# Carbohydrate synthetic regulation

## N-linked glycosylation network (Reactome)

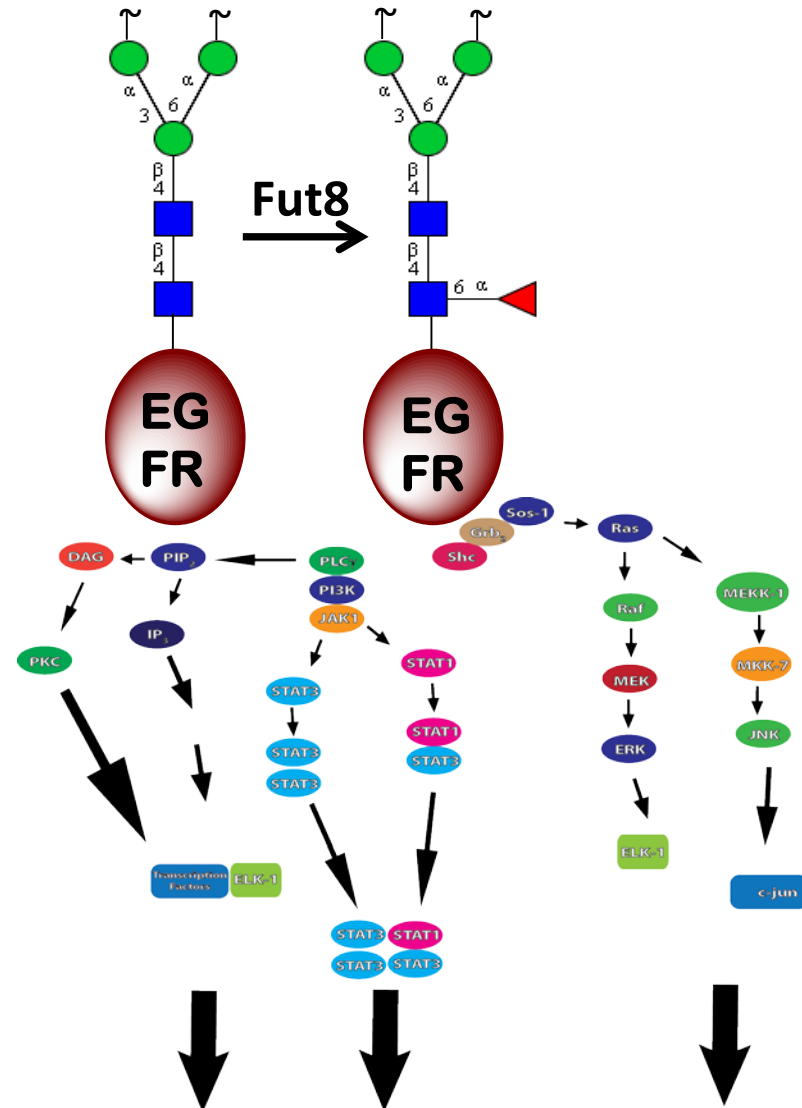


- **Synthesizing a glycome requires a large commitment of cellular resources**
- **Many glycosylation enzymes (glycosyltransferases and glycosidases), sugar transporter and metabolic proteins, and regulation elements (over 120 identified as of 2011)**
- **Can we study the genome-wide regulation of this process?**

# Glycosylation in hPSC differentiation

- Human pluripotent stem cells (hPSCs) express greater levels of  $\alpha$ 2,6 sialic acid and  $\alpha$ 1,2 fucose over differentiated cell types
- hPSCs express transferases *FUT1*, *FUT2*, *FUT10* ( $\alpha$ 1,2 linkages), *ST3GAL2*, *ST6GAL1*
- hPSCs repress transferases *POFUT1*; *POFUT2*; *ST3GAL1,3-6*; *ST6GALNAC6*; *ST8SIA1,4*
- Genetic regulation of pluripotency appears to involve regulation of genes which model specific sialic and fucose epitopes on the cell surface

# Core fucosylation of EGFR by Fut8 stimulates EGF-dependent signaling



**Cell Growth and Proliferation!!**

# Differential core fucosylation in cancer

## Increase in core fucosylation has been observed in...

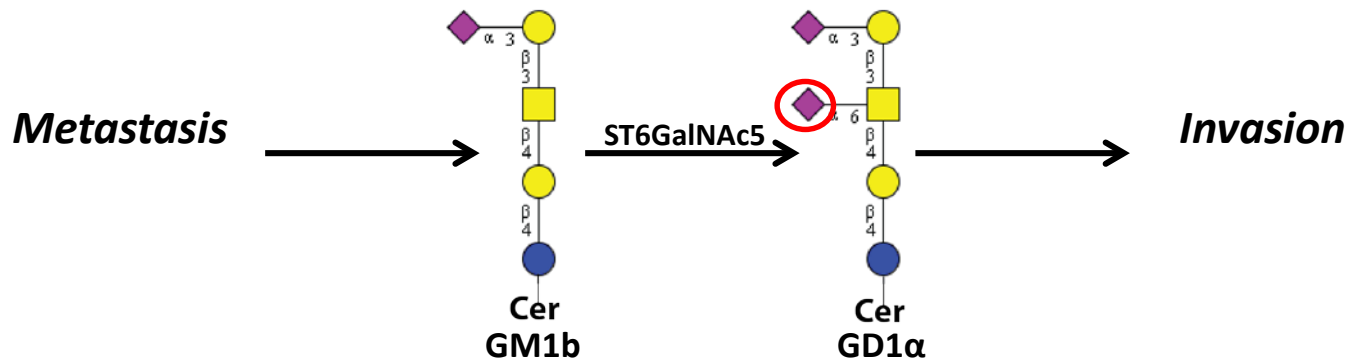
- Prostate cancer (Saldiva et al, *Glycobiology*, 2011)
- Pancreatic cancer (Sarrats et al, *Proteomics Clin Appl*, 2010)
- Stomach cancer (Bones et al, *JPR*, 2011)

## Decrease in core fucosylation has been observed in...

- Lung cancer (Arnold et al, *JPR*, 2011)

# Some disease-specific roles for glycans

- The  $\alpha$ 2,6-sialyltransferase ST6GalNAc5 is upregulated in metastatic breast cancer, allowing greater adhesion to brain cells and passage across the blood-brain barrier



- Glycan-based biomarkers have been investigated in various cancers and schizophrenia revealing certain epitopes are more expressed in disease systems

Sialyl Lewis<sup>X</sup>

Core  $\alpha$ 1,6 fucose



- The glycome is differentially regulated in cancer, therefore cancer is a logical system in which to study variations in glycome genetic regulation

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# Model System: The NCI-60 Cell Panel

- **NCI-60: 60 cell lines for screening of potential cancer therapeutics**
- **Vary in tissue type, metastasis, individual of origin**
- **CellMiner: open source database containing mRNA, miRNA and protein array data, genetic mapping, pharmacological and mutational analysis**



# The NCI-60 panel

## LEUKEMIA

- CCRF-CRM
- HL-60
- K-562
- MOLT-4
- RPMI-8226
- SR

## LUNG

- A549
- EKVX
- HOP-62
- HOP-92
- NCI-H226
- NCI-H23
- NCI-H322M
- NCI-H460
- NCI-H522

## COLON

- COLO 205
- HCC-2998
- HCT-116
- HCT-15
- HT29
- KM12
- SW-620

## CNS

- SF-268
- SF-295
- SF-539
- SNB-19
- SNB-75
- U251

## MELANOMA

- LOX IMVI
- MALME-3M
- M14\*
- MDA-MB-435\*
- SK-MEL-2
- SK-MEL-28
- SK-MEL-5
- UACC-257
- UACC-62

## OVARIAN

- IGR-OV1
- OVCAR-3
- OVCAR-4
- OVCAR-5
- OVCAR-8
- NCI/ADR-RES
- SK-OV-3

## PROSTATE

- PC-3
- DU-145

## RENAL

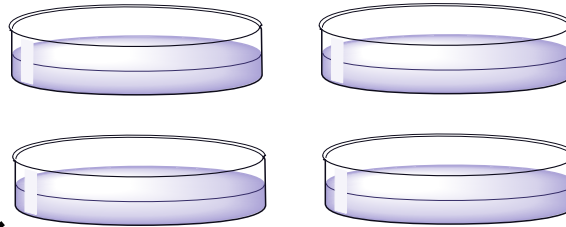
- 786-0
- A498
- ACHN
- CAKI-1
- RXF 393
- SN12C
- TK-10
- UO-31

## BREAST

- MCF7
- MDA-MB-231
- MDA-MB-468
- HS 578T
- BT 549
- T-47D

# Experimental Outline

Culture NCI-60 lines



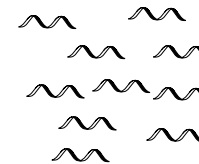
**GLYCOMICS**

**GENOMICS**

Isolate, label  
membranes

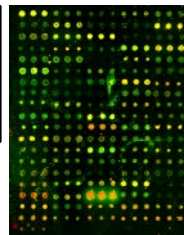


Fluorophore-labeled  
cell sample

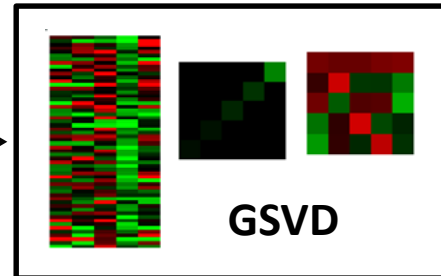


Isolate total  
mRNA

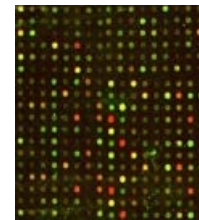
Analyze lectin  
microarray



Combine and Integrate



Analyze gene  
microarray

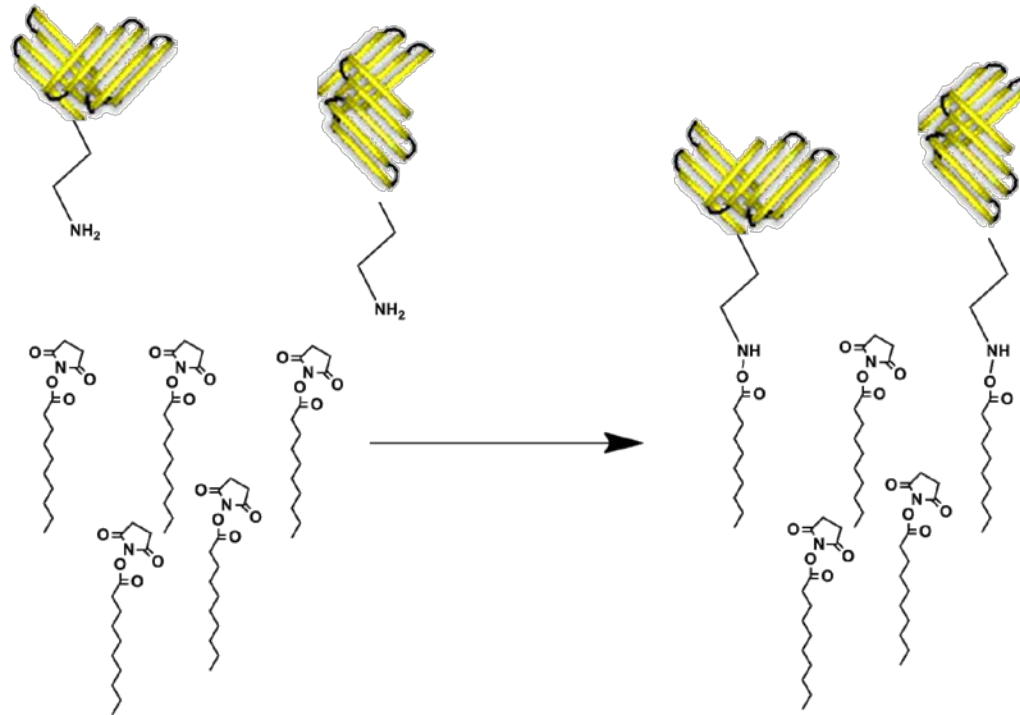


Confirm  
with whole  
cell labeling

# Lectins

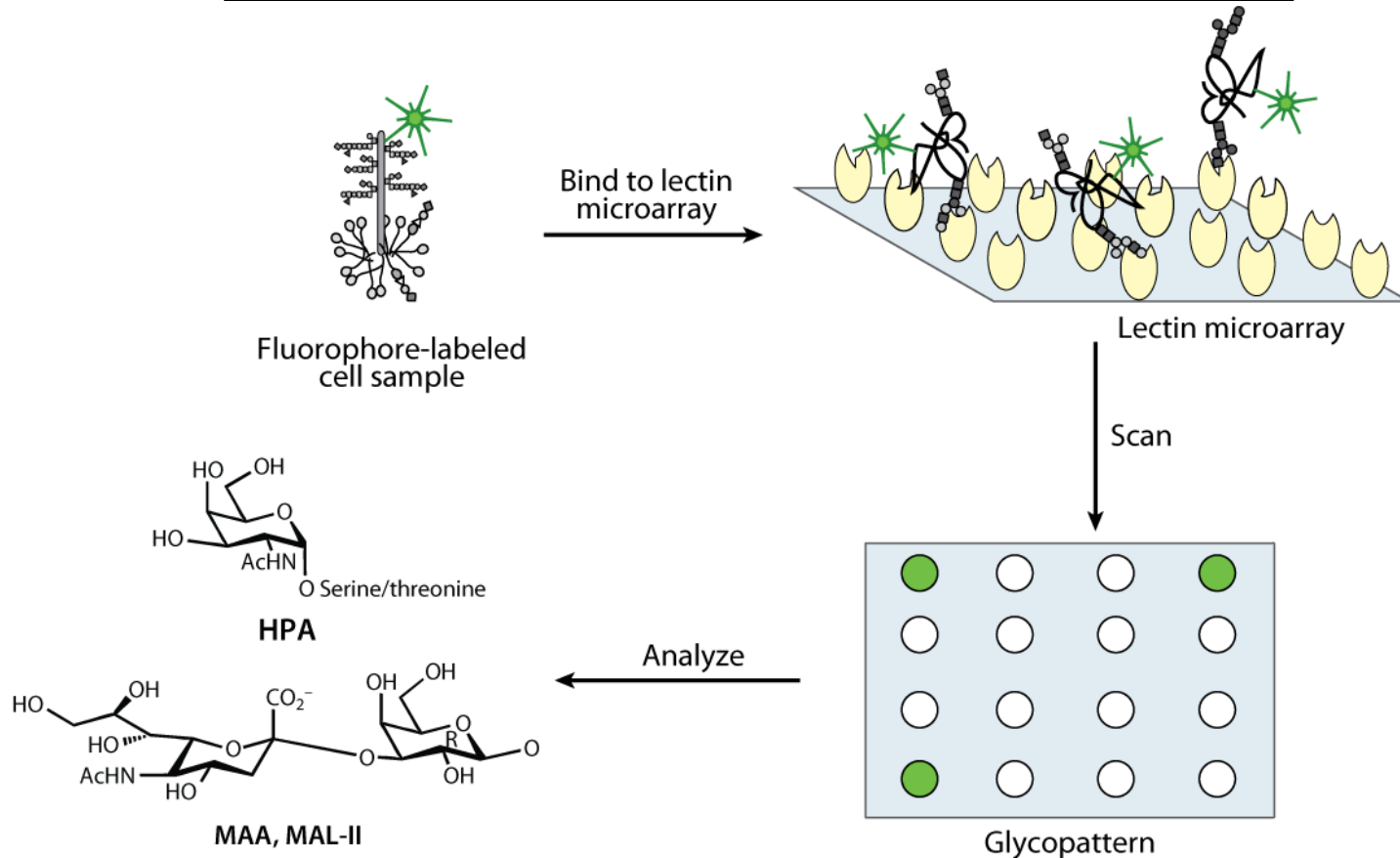
- **Lectins: non-enzymatic, non-immunological carbohydrate-binding proteins**
- **Found throughout the tree of life and demonstrate a wide range of structural design and biological function**
- **Lectins are often modified post-translationally (particularly in higher organisms)**
- **Many are easily commercially available**
- **Some have very broad specificities (WGA) some are extremely restricted (PHA-E)**

# Generation of Lectin Microarrays



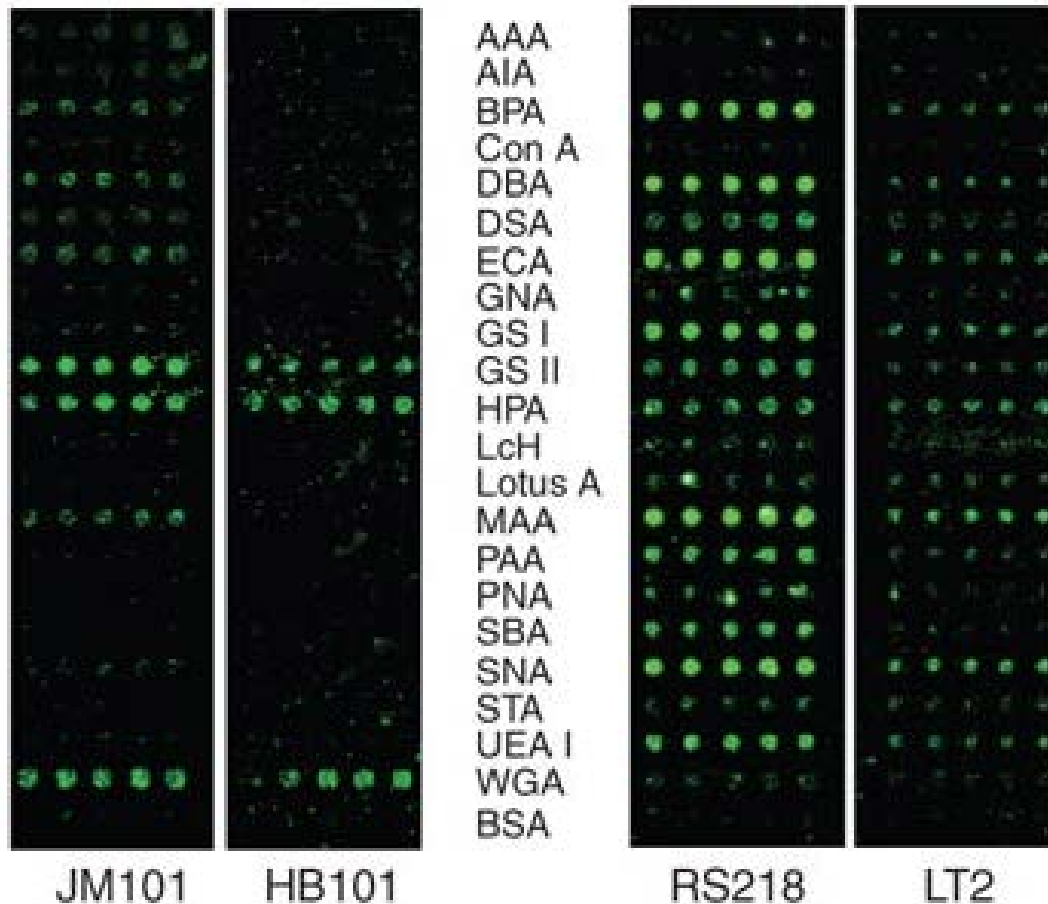
- Lectins are printed on NHS-ester coated glass slides in high spatial density at 10°C and ambient humidity
- Protein lysine residues react with esters to form amide-bound conjugates
- Unreacted esters are blocked with ethanolamine
- Slides can be stored for up to two months

# Single color array hybridization



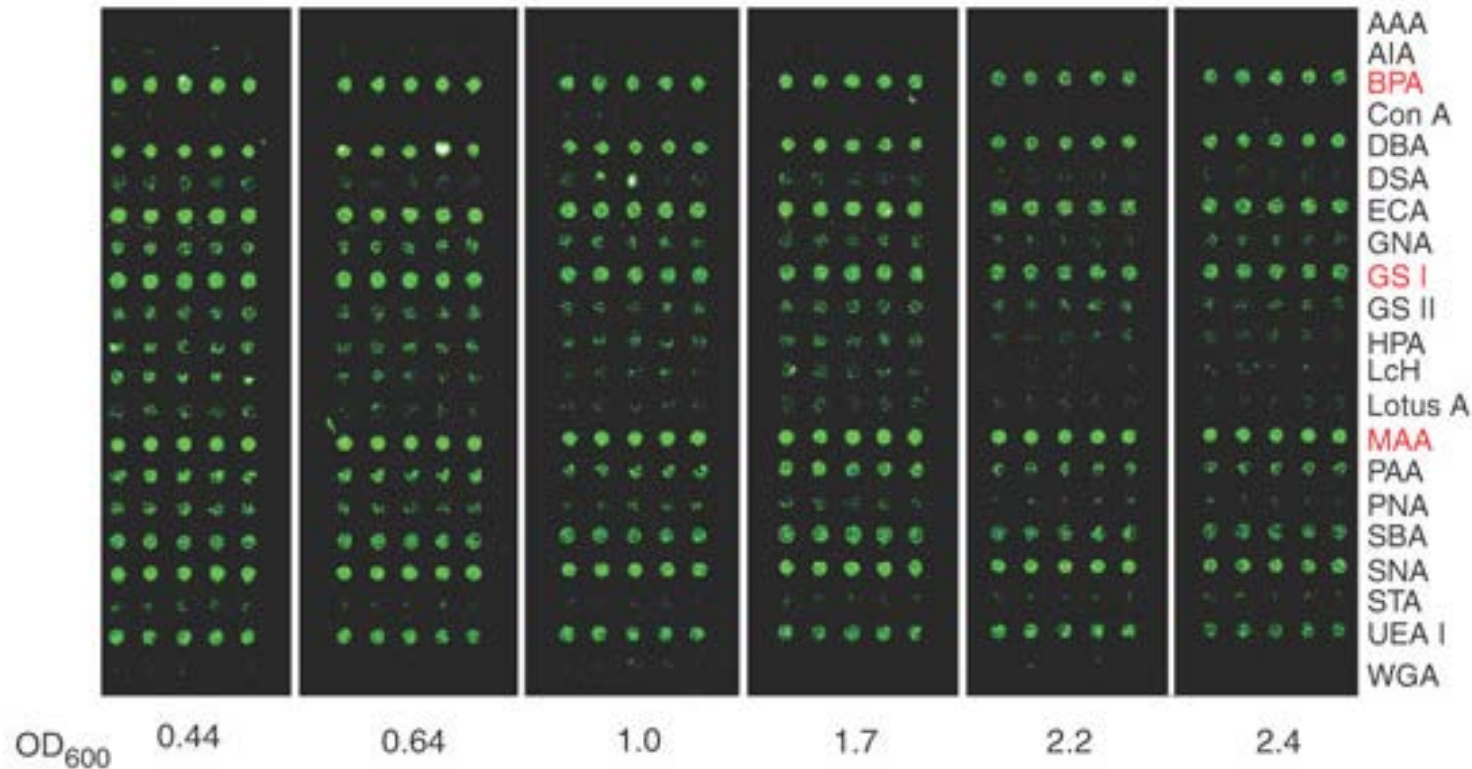
1. Glycome of sample of interest is isolated as membrane liposome
2. Membrane protein content fluorescently **labeled**
3. Labeled sample hybridized to lectin microarray
4. “Glycopattern” of lectin specificities reveals expressed carbohydrate cohort

# Single color lectin array approach differentiates glycomes of *E. coli* strains



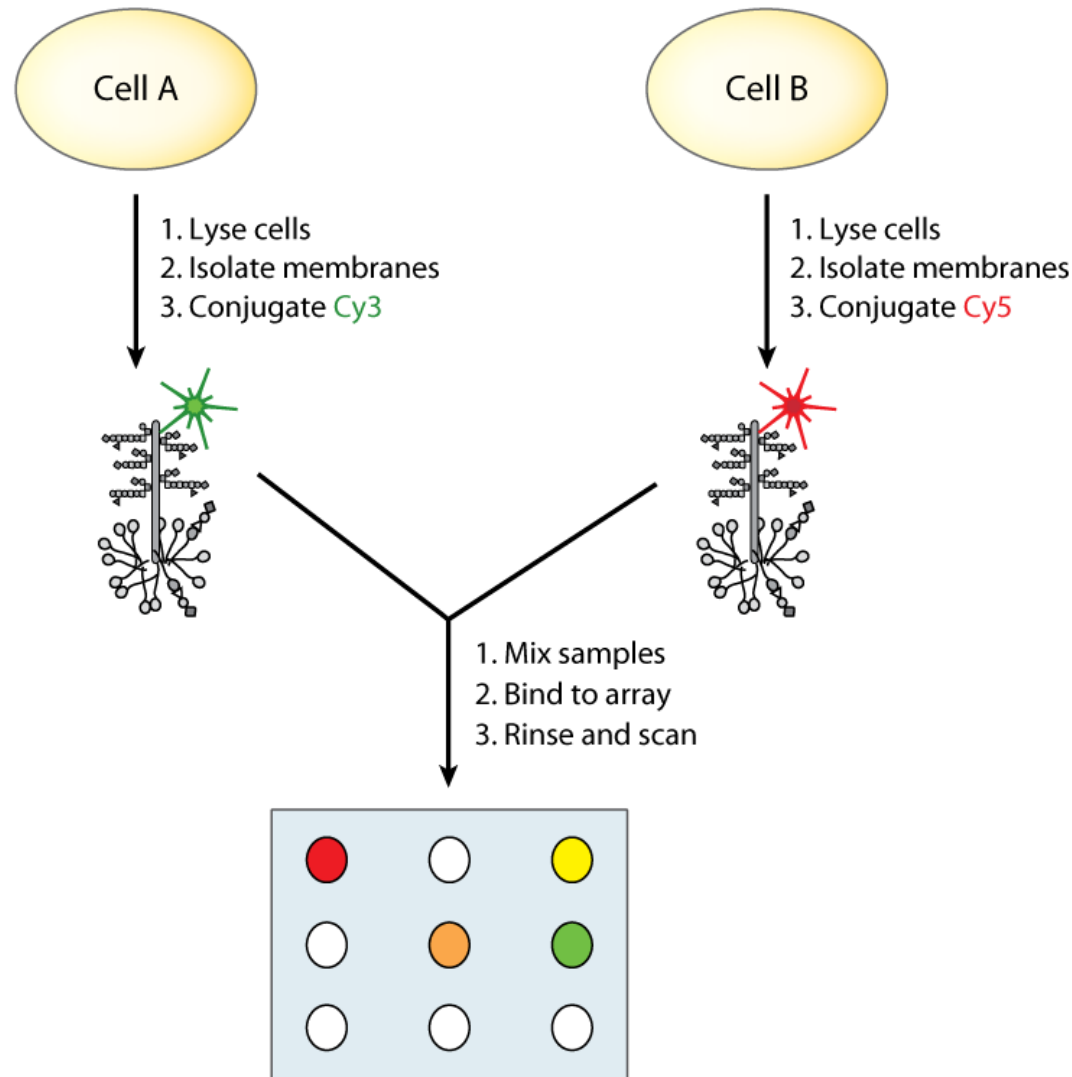
- Surface glycome of pathogenic (RS218) and non-pathogenic (JM101, HB101) *E. coli* show distinct differences
- Pathogenic *S. typhimurium* (LT2) glycome distinct

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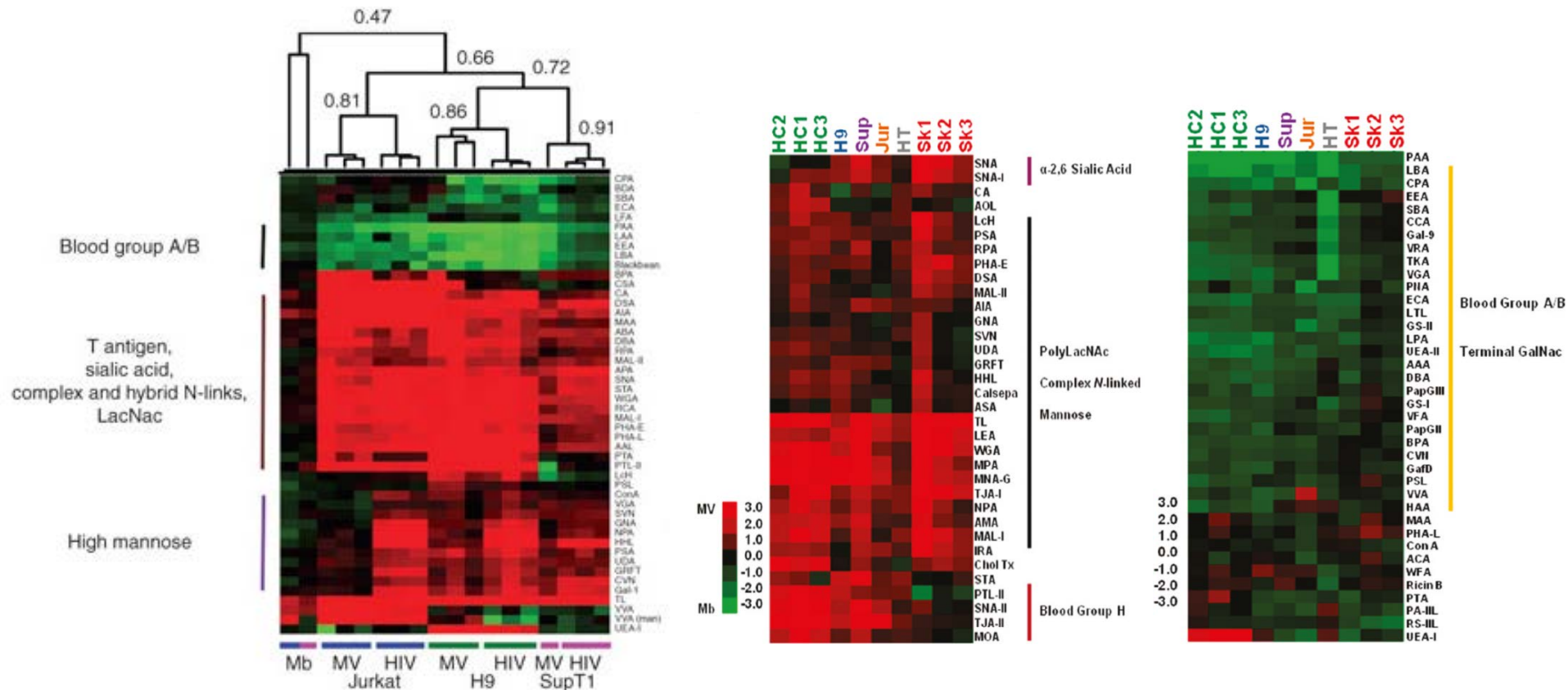
- The bacterial glycome is dynamic
- *E. coli* RS218 glycome varies as it proceeds from log to stationary growth phase

# Ratiometric lectin microarray analysis for semi-quantitative analysis of the dynamic glycome





# Microvesicles have a distinct glycomic signature which is hijacked by HIV



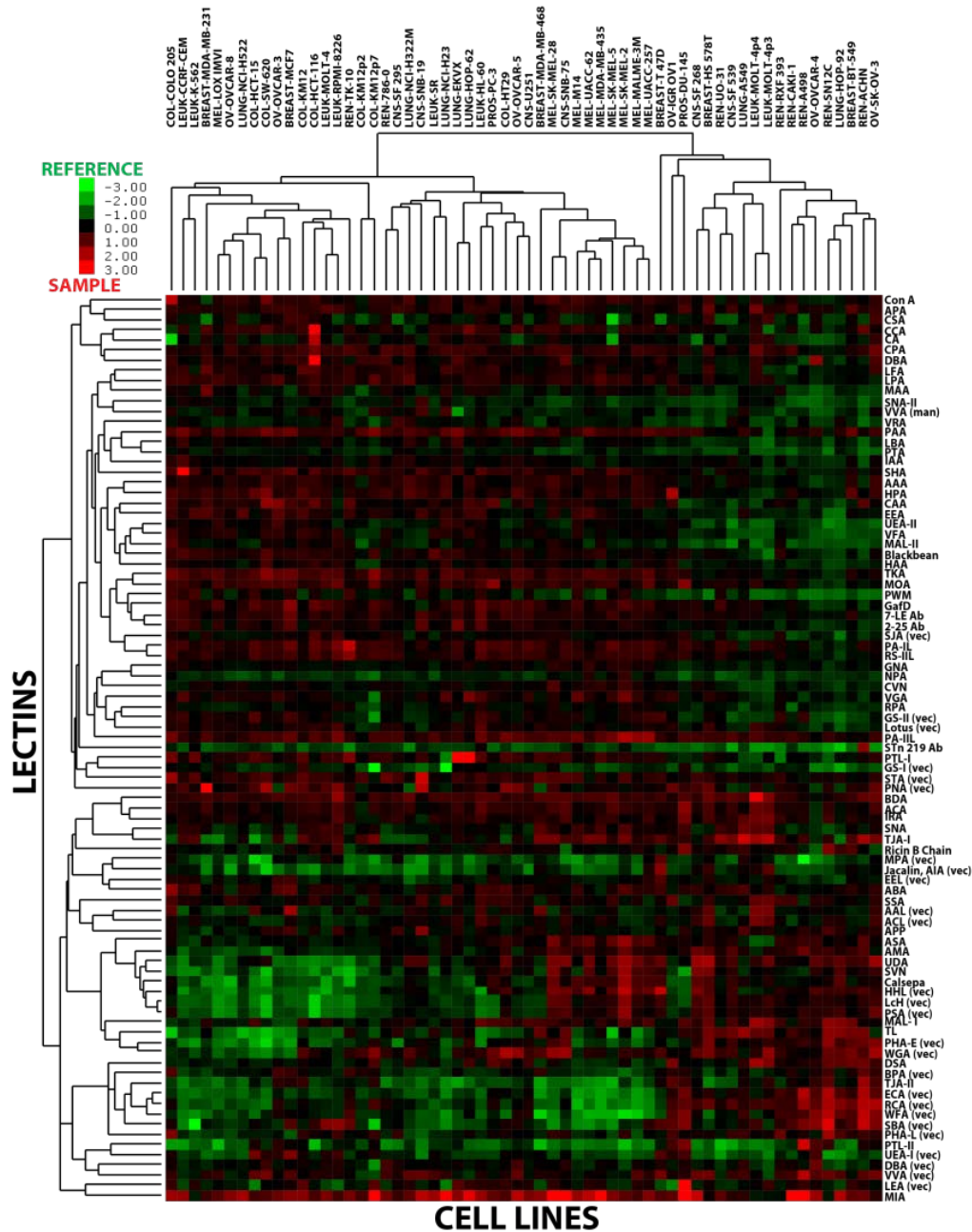
Glycome of HIV virions are more closely related to microvesicles than membranes

Microvesicular glycome is distinct from membrane and independent of cellular origin

# Glycomic Analysis of the NCI-60

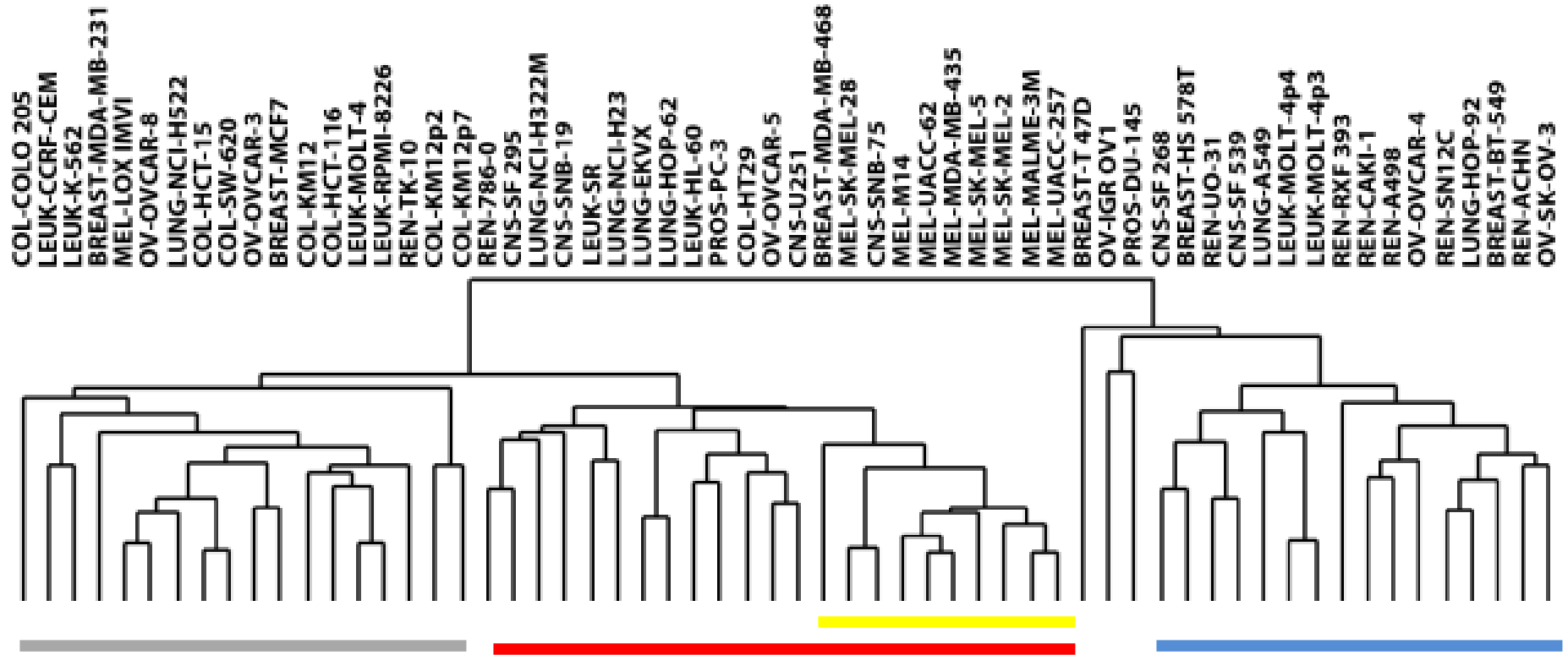
- **Sample Preparation**: All NCI-60 cell lines were grown to high density for membrane collection and labeling for hybridization
- **Array Preparation**: 88 lectins and 3 antibodies were printed in triplicate on NHS-ester hydragel slides
- **Experimental Design**: Hybrid each cell line in 2-color experiment with a common, mixed cell-line reference (Reference = OVCAR-3, OVCAR-4, HS 578T, LOX IMVI, PC-3, SNB-19)
- **Data Manipulation**: Threshold positive signals and normalize each array experiment by centering the fluorescence data to the median-ratio for the fluorescence signals of that array
- **Data Interpretation**: Perform cluster analysis of all array experiments to identify expression patterns and trends
- **Confirmation**: Select representative cell lines and lectins to perform live cell, lectin-histology

# Lectin Microarray Analysis: NCI-60



- Two lectins were discarded as misprints
- Two lung cell lines were discarded due to technical error (NCI-H226, NCI-H460)
- One colon line was not included due to inability to culture (HCC 2998)
- Biological replicates of KM12 and MOLT-4 were included

# Cell lines cluster based on their glycosylation



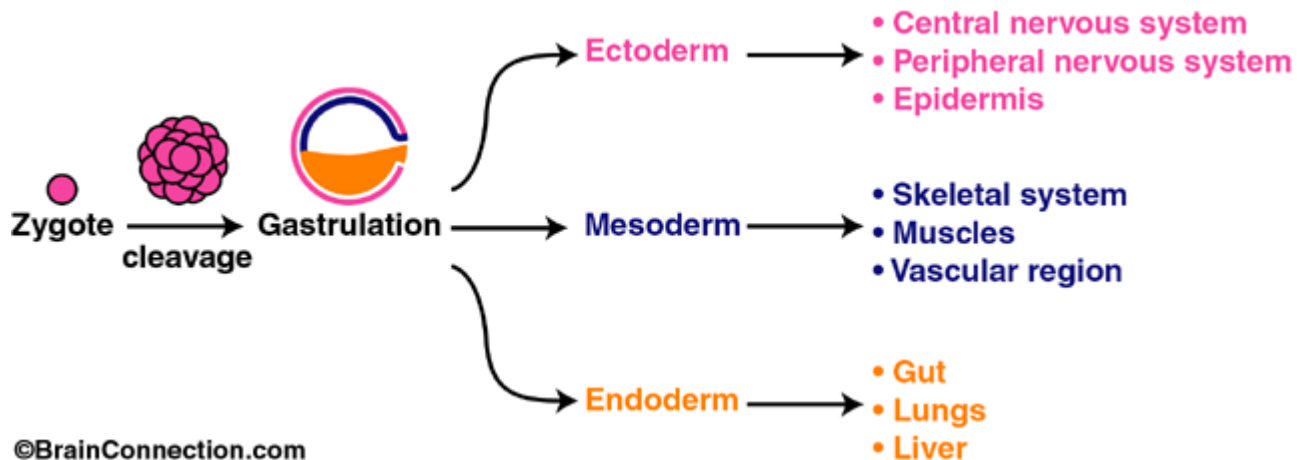
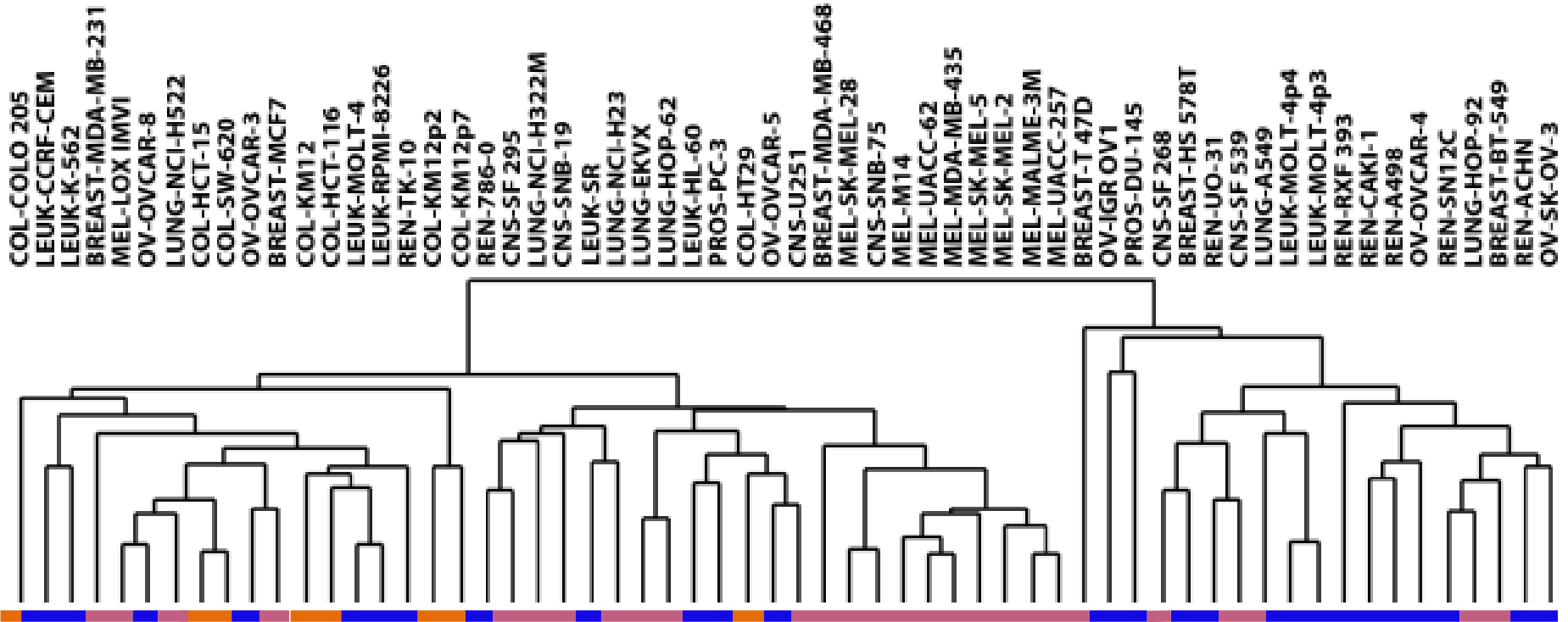
COLON (5/6,  $p=0.39$ )  
LEUKEMIA (4/6,  $p=0.39$ )

CNS (4/5,  $p=0.44$ )  
LUNG (4/7,  $p=0.44$ )

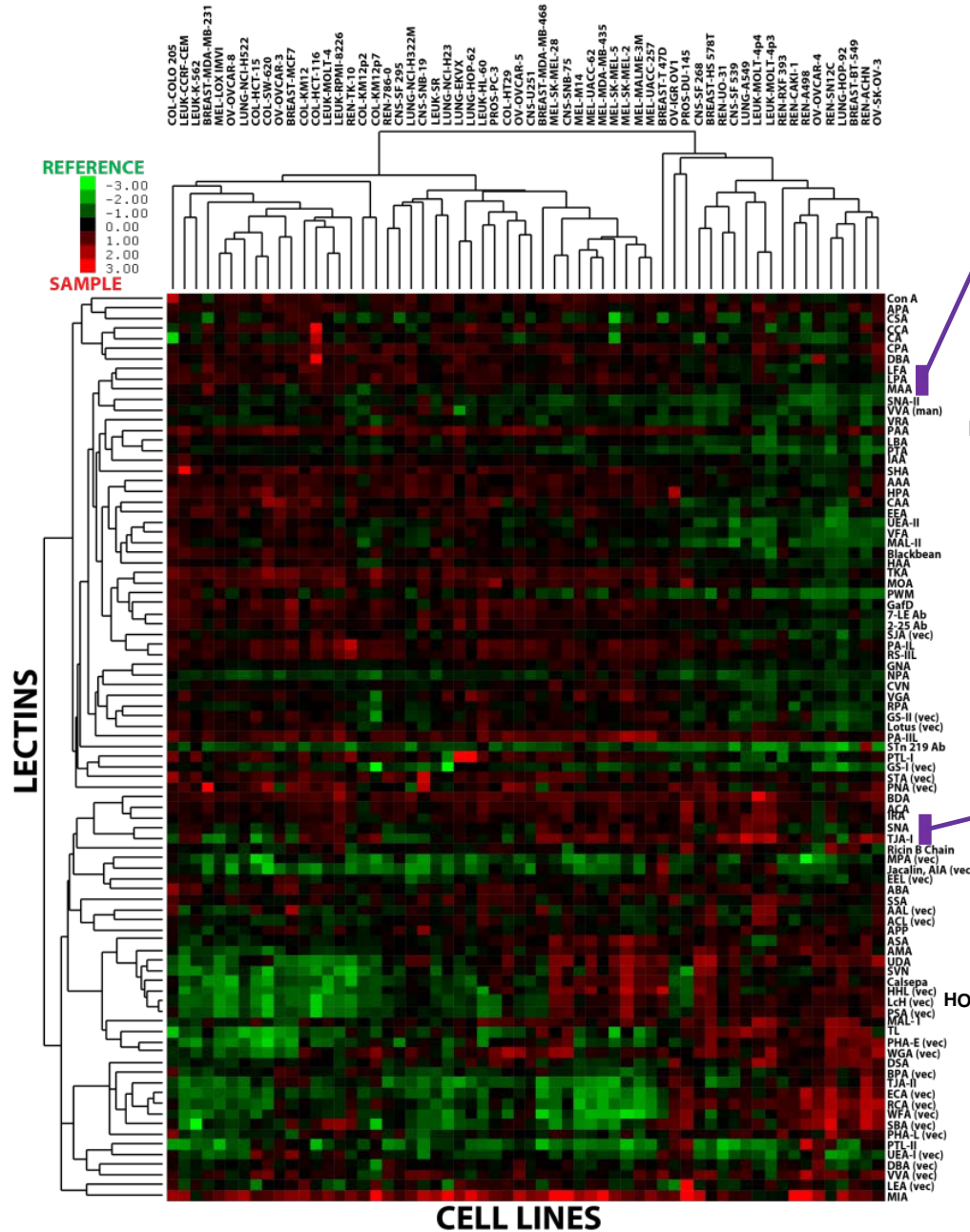
MELANOMA  
(8/9,  $p=0.60$ )

RENAL (6/8,  $p=0.39$ )

# Histological origin does not explain cluster pattern



# Glycosylation signatures: Sialic acid

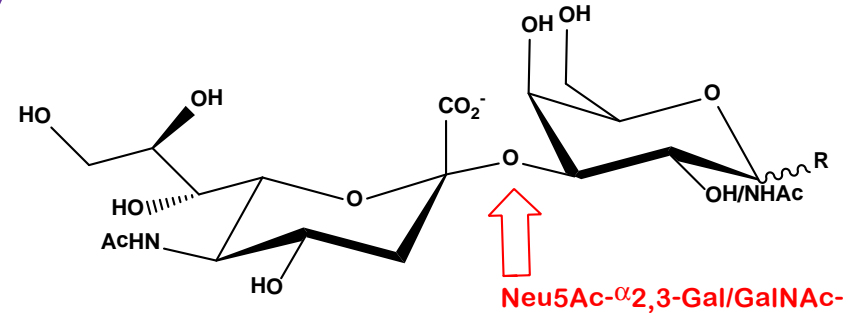


**$\alpha$ 2,3 sialic acid recognizing lectins**

**LFA, LPA, MAA**



in **RENAL** cell lines

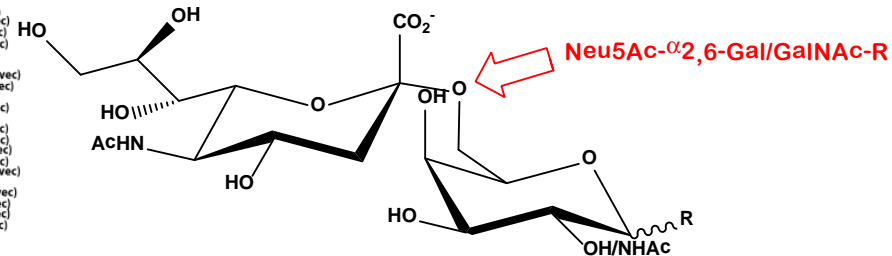


**$\alpha$ 2,6 sialic acid recognizing lectins**

**SNA, TJA-I**

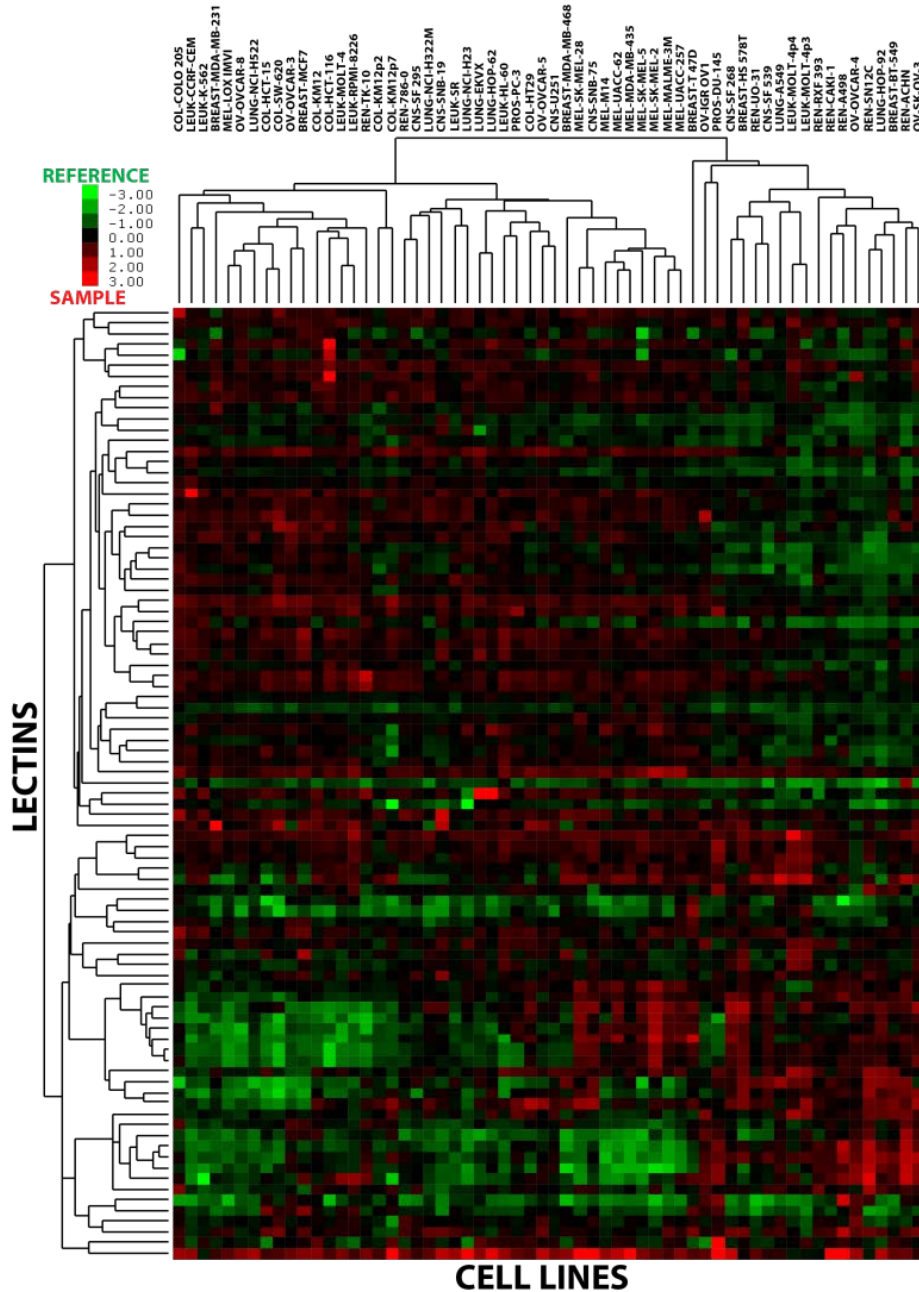


in **MELANOMA** and **LUNG** cell lines

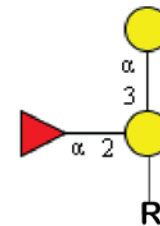
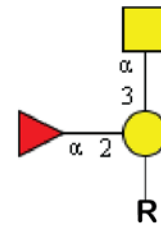




# Glycosylation signatures: Gal/GaNAc

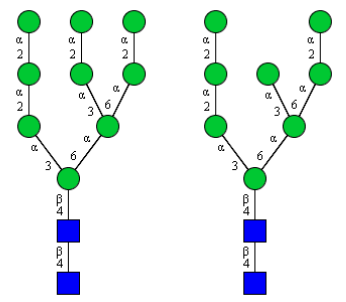
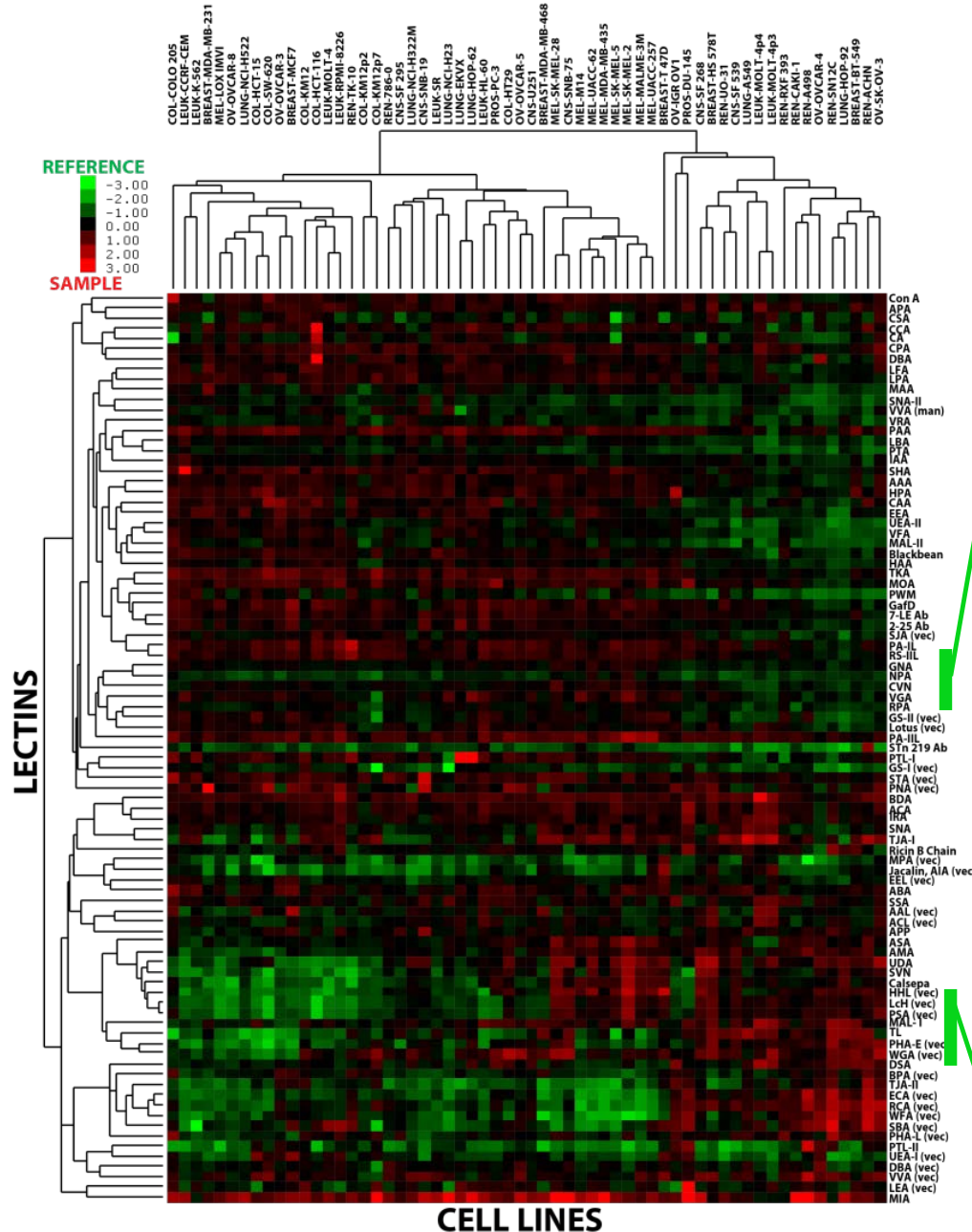


**Blood groups/Gal/GaNAc**  
MOA, EEA, LBA, VRA, IAA,  
PTA, HPA



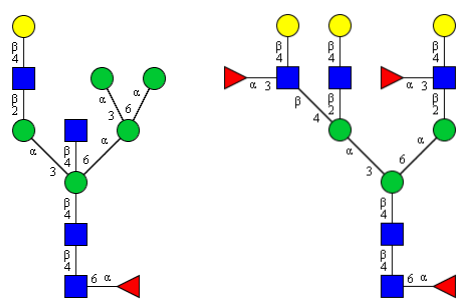
**Blood groups/Gal/GaNAc**  
BDA, RICIN, ABA, AIA, AAL

# Glycosylation signatures: Mannose



**Mannose (high)**  
GNA, NPA, CVN, RPA

RENAL  
MELANOMA  
CNS, LUNG  
COLON



**Mannose (complex)**  
UDA, SVN, Calsepa,  
HHL, LcH, PHA-E,  
MAL-I, PSA

COLON,  
LUNG  
MELANOMA,  
RENAL



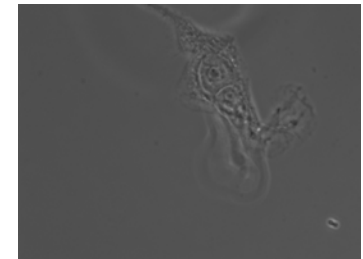
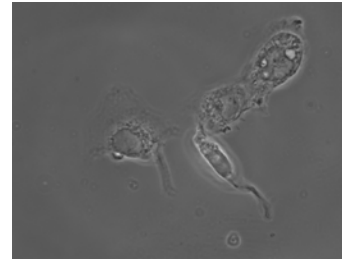
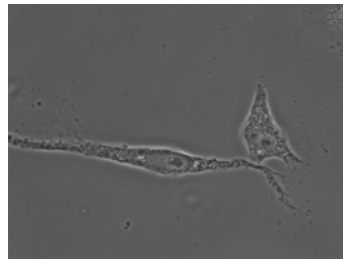
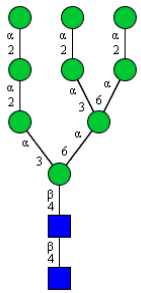
# Lectin histology confirms glycan presence

SK-MEL-2

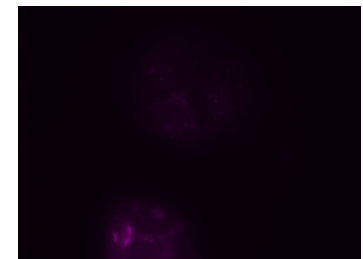
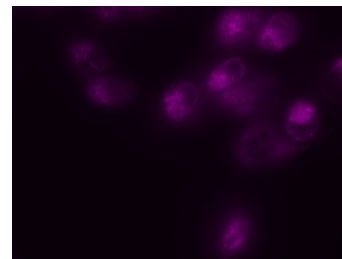
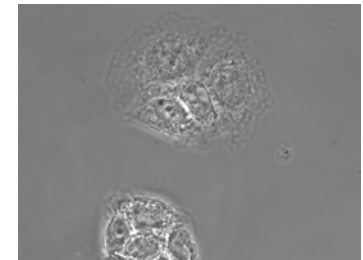
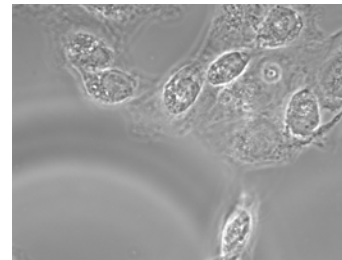
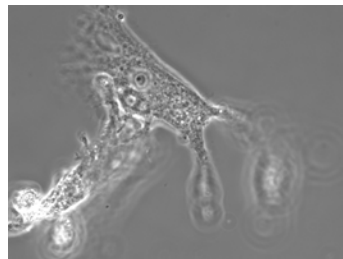
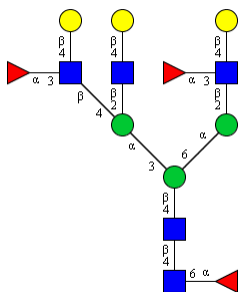
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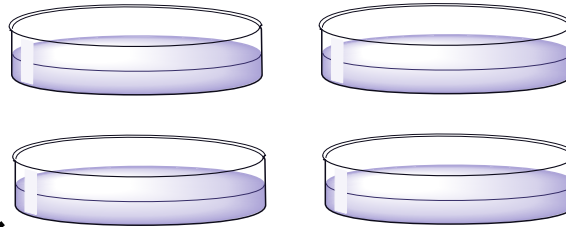


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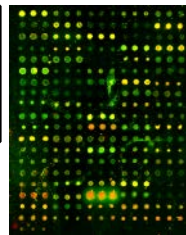
**GENOMICS**

Isolate, label membranes



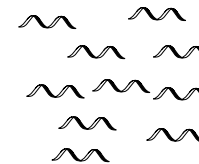
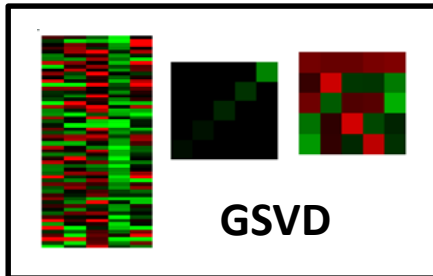
Fluorophore-labeled cell sample

Analyze lectin microarray



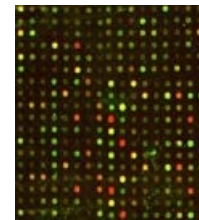
Confirm with whole cell labeling

Combine and Integrate



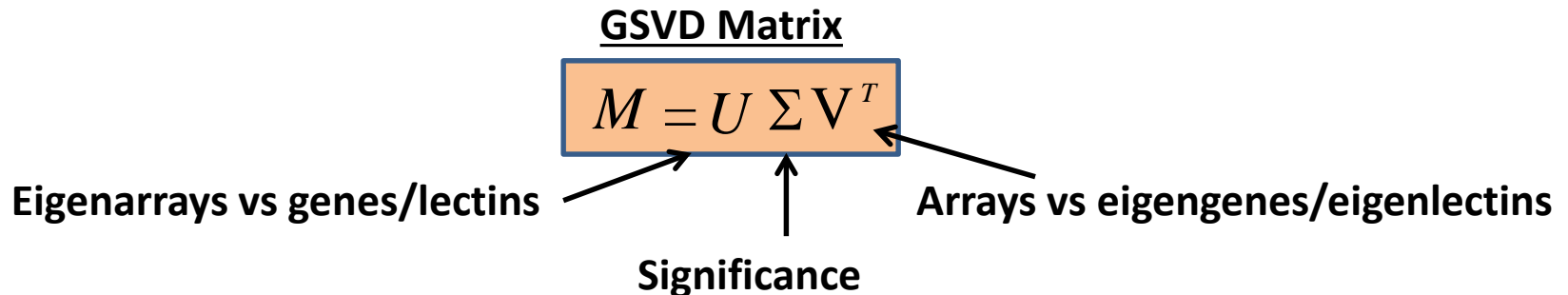
Isolate total mRNA

Analyze gene microarray



# Generalized Singular Value Decomposition (gSVD)

- SVD and gSVD are methods to decompose a rectangular matrix into constrained, component matrices
- This method can be used to identify significant, co-varying patterns in large data sets
- We apply it to the lectin or mRNA array data individually or both data sets combined for SYSTEMS BIOLOGY examination of glycosylation pathways



# Do genetic expression patterns co-vary with the glycome?

- **Work of Kanoelani Pilobello**
- **Performed SVD analysis of mRNA (and miRNA) data with NCI-60 lectin microarray results**
- **Analyzed all melanoma, renal, colon and leukemia cell lines**

# Regulation of gene expression across the NCI-60

- mRNA and miRNA expression patterns investigated across entire NCI-60 (Liu et al, *Mol Biol Cell*, 2010)

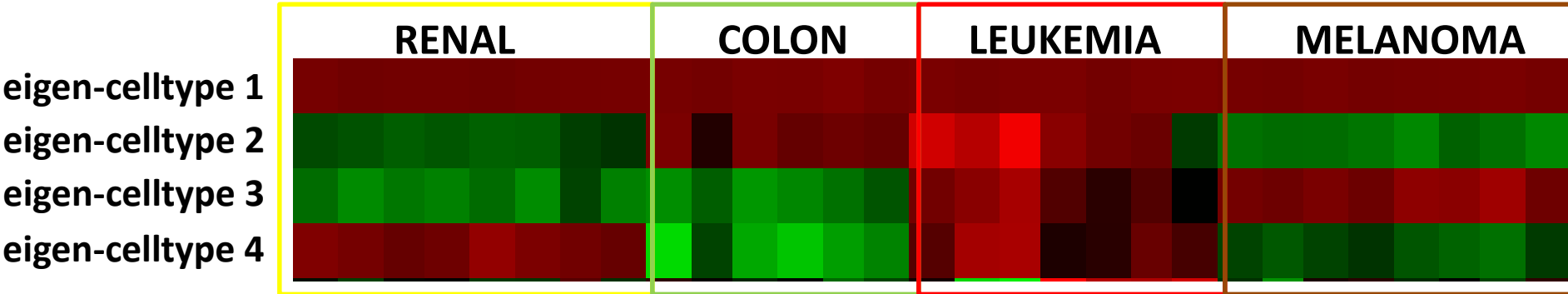
## OBSERVATION OF HIGHLY EXPRESSED AND DIVERSE PROBES

-Melanoma (9/10 mRNA, 10/10 miRNA) and leukemia (6/6 mRNA and miRNA) lines cluster together based on expression patterns

-Renal (8/8 mRNA, 6/8 miRNA) and colon (6/7 mRNA and miRNA) also show strong correlation

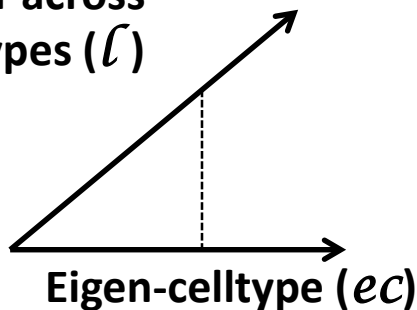
-CNS and lung cancer show little correlation

# GSVD Analysis of the glycome



Projection correlation =  $\ell || ec$

Gene/lectin  
vector across  
cell types ( $\ell$ )



GSVD Matrix

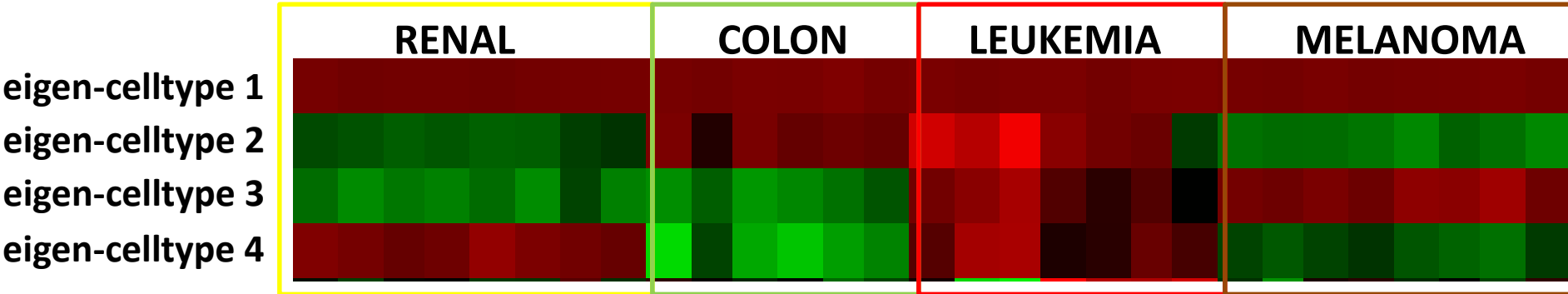
$$M = U \Sigma V^T$$

Lani Pilobello

## Glycomic Signatures

eigen-celltype <b>2</b>	APA, Con A, DSA, GNA, LcH, LPA, NPA, PAA, SNA (vector), UDA, HHL, MAL-II, CVN, SVN, GRFT, ACA, PSL, TJA-I, AMA, Calsepa, IRA, RS-IIL	High mannose, $\alpha$ 2,6 sialic acid (N-linked)
eigen-celltype <b>3</b>	VRA, PTL-II, HAA	Terminal GalNAc (O-linked)
eigen-celltype <b>4</b>	TKA, PapGII	Glycolipid

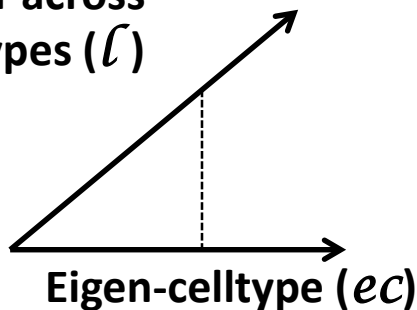
# GSVD Analysis of the genome



## Genomic Signatures

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GSVD Matrix

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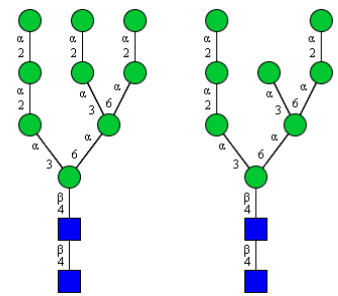
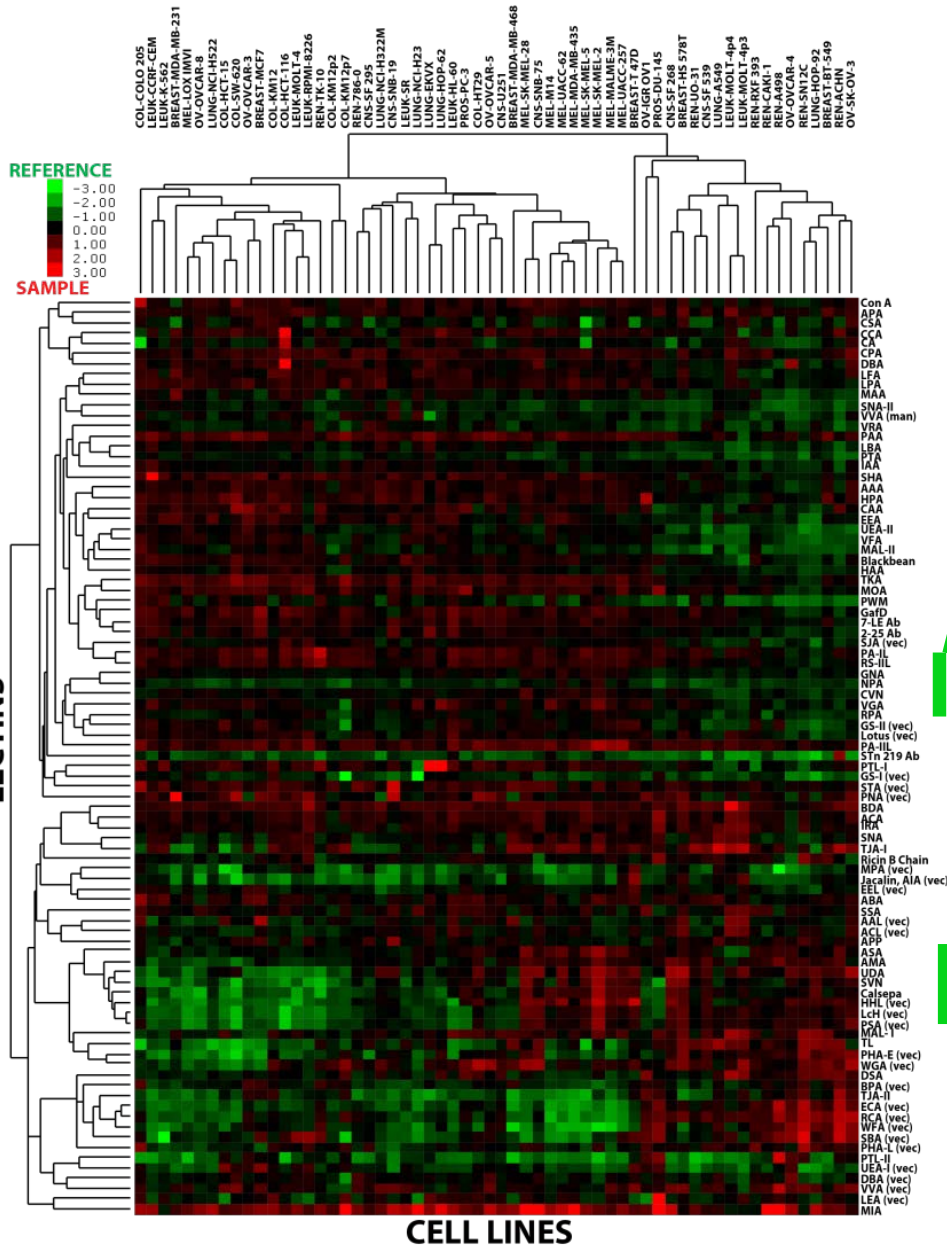
eigen-celltype <b>2</b>	RNA-binding	Cytoskeletal	Organelle Luminal
eigen-celltype <b>3</b>	Ribosomal	Organelle luminal	mRNA splicing/ processing
eigen-celltype <b>4</b>	Mitochondrial	Organelle luminal	





# Agenda

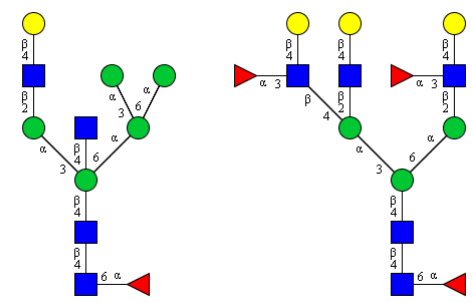
- Carbohydrates are a diverse and critically important class of biological macromolecules
- Microarray analysis of the glycome
- Methods to evaluate and integrate microarray data sets
- **Mechanisms for genetic regulation of the glycome**



# Glycosylation signatures: Mannose



 **RENAL**  
 **MELANOMA**  
**CNS, LUNG**  
**COLON**

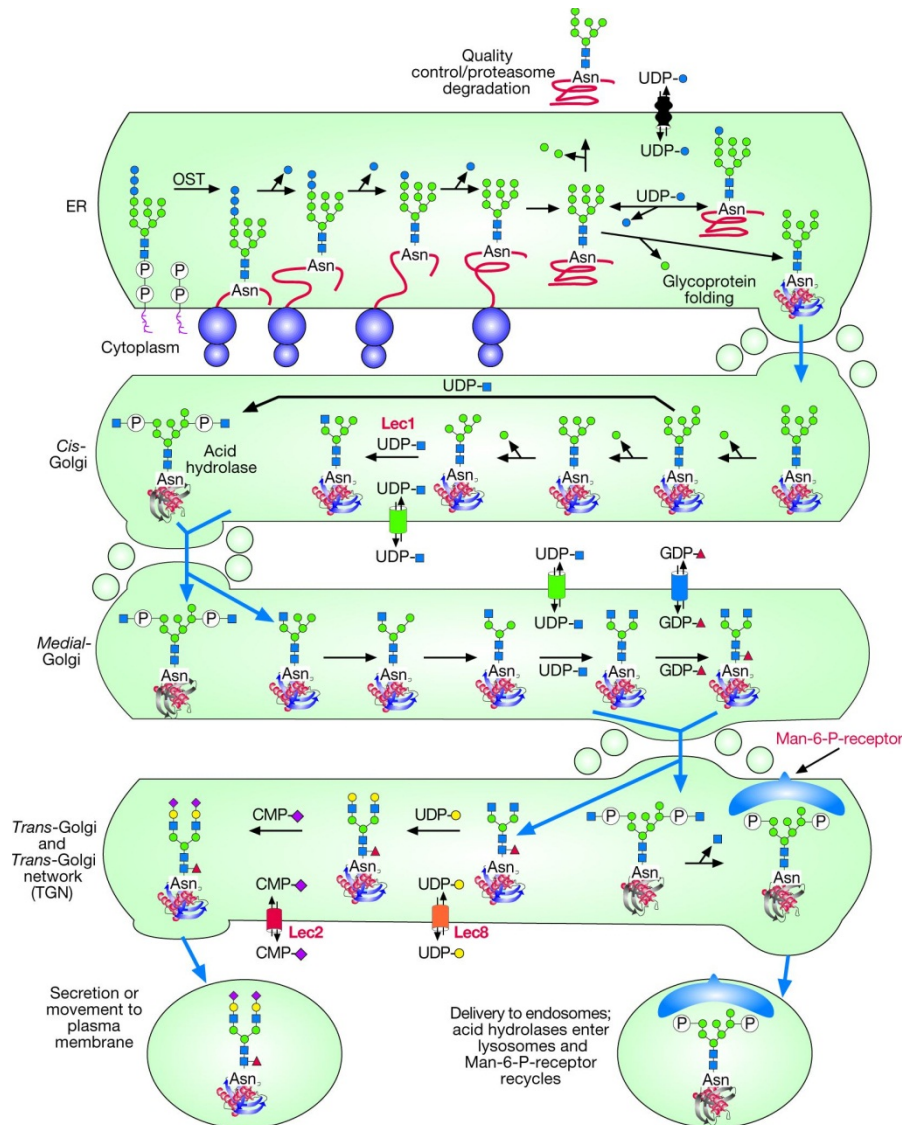
**Mannose (high)**  
**GNA, NPA, CVN, RPA**



 **COLON,**  
**LUNG**  
 **MELANOMA,**  
**RENAL**

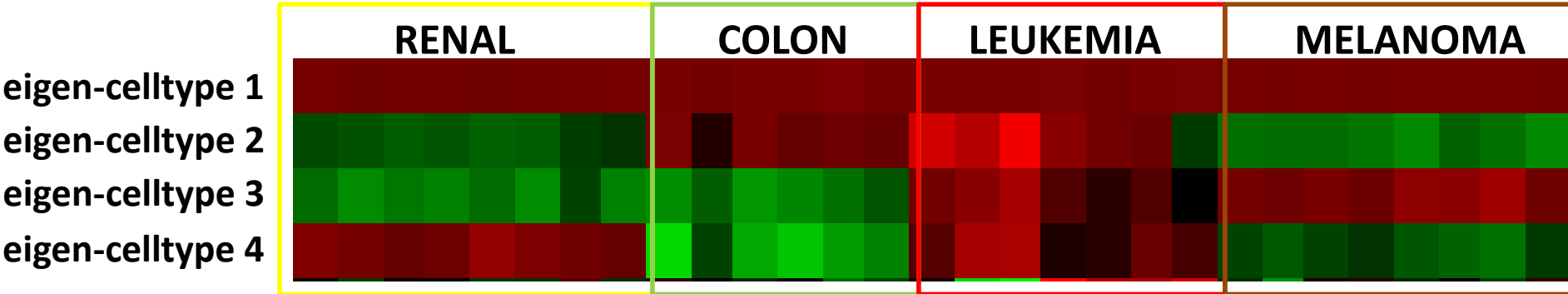
**Mannose (complex)**  
**UDA, SVN, Calsepa,**  
**HHL, Lch, PHA-E,**  
**MAL-I, PSA**

# Maturation of *N*-linked glycans



- Glc<sub>3</sub>Man<sub>9</sub>GlcNAc<sub>2</sub> precursor is transferred to growing polypeptide in ER
- Upon proper folding, glycan is trimmed to high-mannose and, potentially further modified to hybrid/complex
- Maturation occurs in Golgi
- Our data suggests this pathway is involved in controlling cellular identity

# GSVD Analysis of the genome



## Genomic Signatures

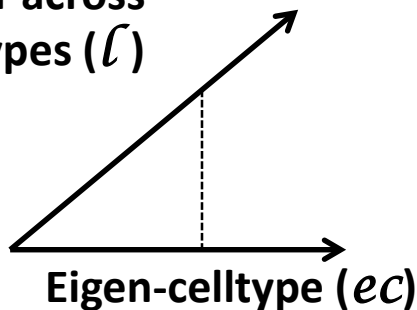
eigen-celltype	RNA-binding	Cytoskeletal	Organelle Lumenal
<b>2</b>			

**Eigen-Celltype 2 lectin profile is N-link maturation related.**

**Do gene associates suggest pathway for N-linked maturation?**

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Gene/lectin vector across cell types ( $\ell$ )

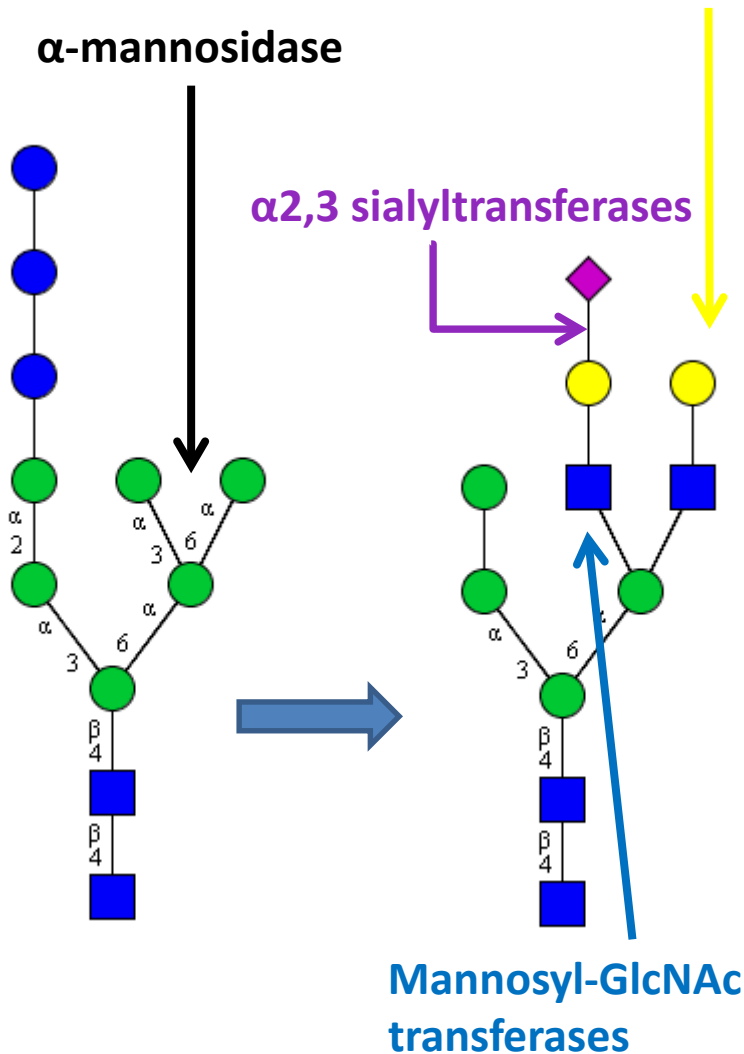


GSVD Matrix

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# Eigen-celltype 2 genes: Transferases

## GlcNAc-Gal transferases



$\alpha$ -mannosidase – formation of hybrid and complex glycans

-cleaves mannose residues to  $\text{Man}_3\text{GlcNAc}_2$

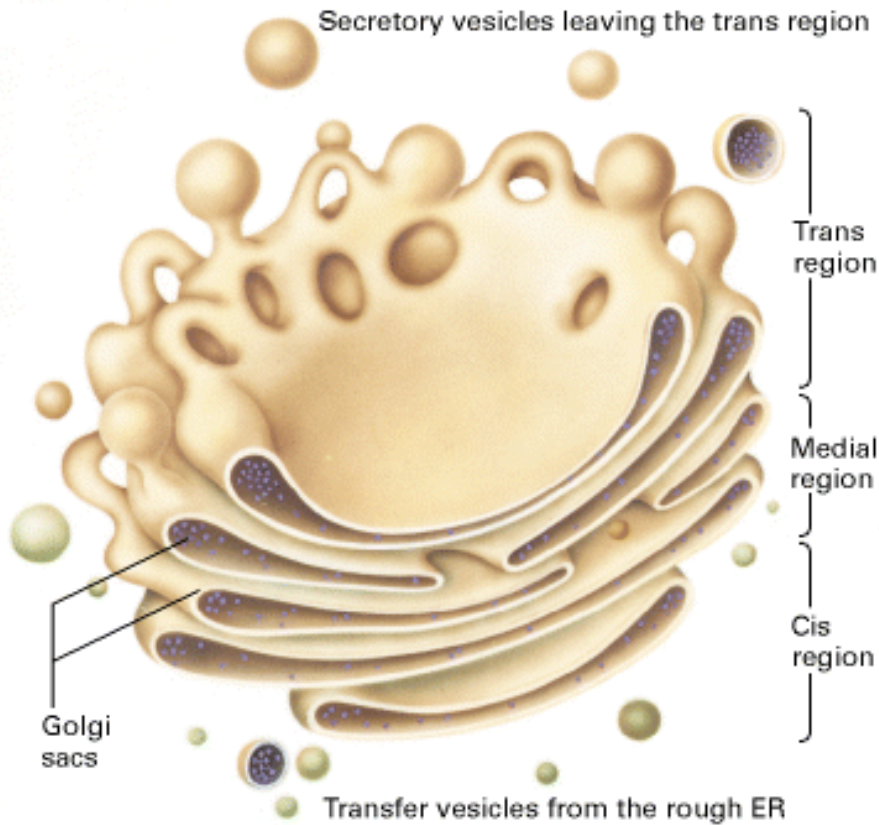
mannosyl-GlcNAc transferase – formation of hybrid and complex glycans

-adds GlcNAc's to cleaved mannose core

GlcNAc-Gal transferases – formation of LacNAc structures on hybrid, complex, O-linked

$\alpha$ 2,3- sialyl transferases – hybrid, complex, O-linked, glycolipid

# Eigen-celltype 2 genes: Golgi Structural Genes



## Golgins

-GOLGA1, GOLGA3, GOLGA4, GOLGA5

-*trans* Golgi associated

-recruit cytoskeletal proteins to form Golgi structure

-Recruit RAB family GTPases

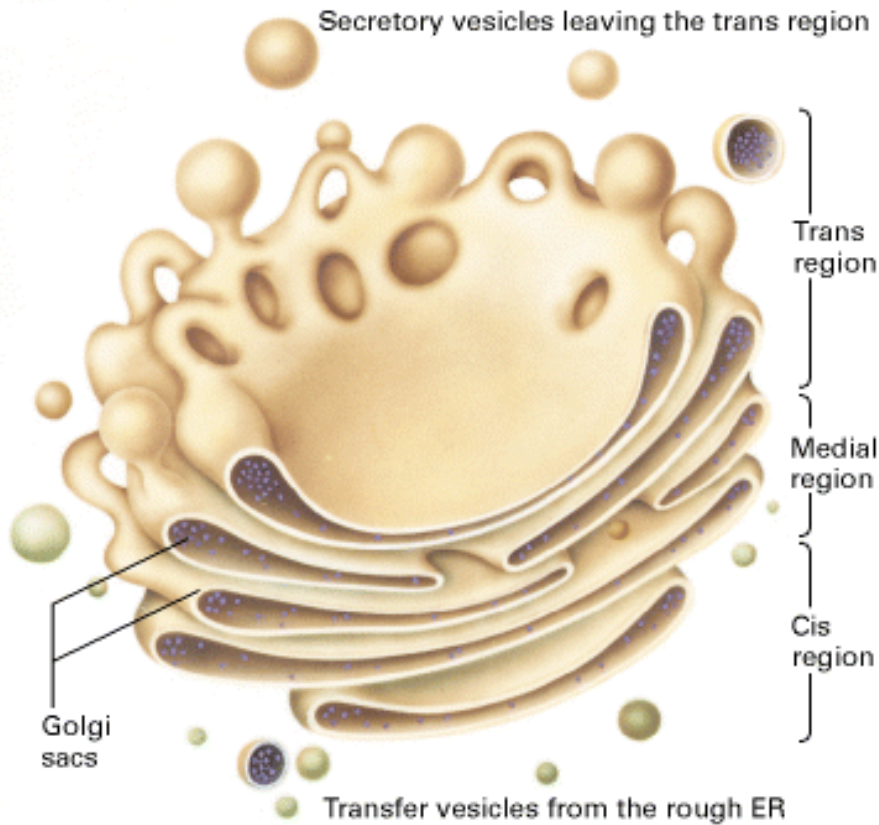
## RAB GTPases

-Rab1a, Rab1b, Rab2a, Rab7a, Rab9, Rab10, Rab11, Rab21, Rab27, Rab34

-Organize Golgi transporters and associated proteins via golgins



# Eigen-celltype 2 genes: Golgi Vesicular Genes



## Coatomer Protein Complex

-COP $\alpha$ , COP $\beta$ 1,2, COP $\gamma$ , COP $\zeta$ , Arf1

-Forms complex that coats vesicles

-anterograde and retrograde transport through Golgi

-Transports proteins, lipids and other cargo between organelles

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# Observations

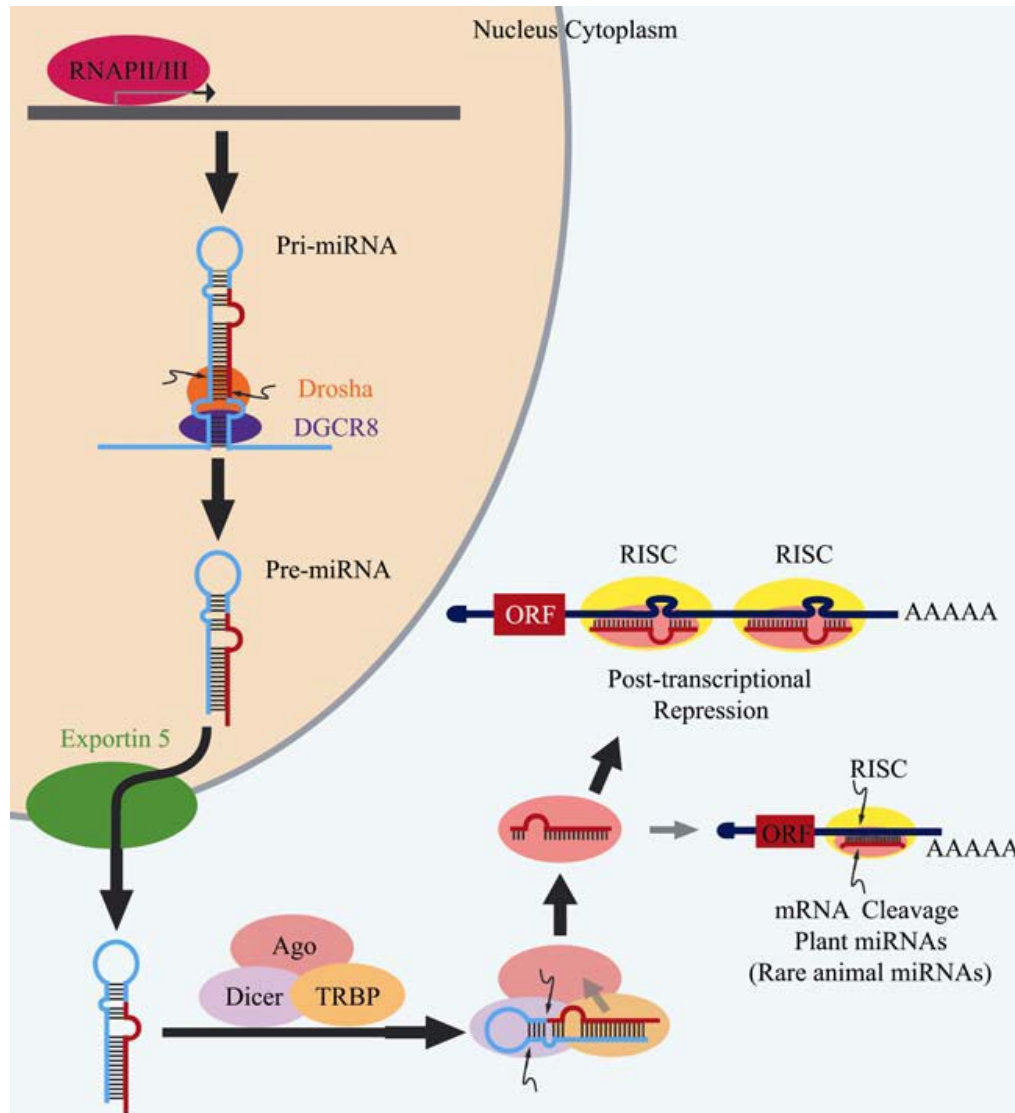
- ***N*-glycan maturation through the Golgi is a distinctive glycomic determinant in the NCI-60**
- **Glycosylation genes co-vary with associated lectins but...**
- **Golgi structural and transport genes also co-vary**
- **Implication that Golgi structure and localization mediates a direct effect on the glycome**



# Currently Ongoing

- **We have analyzed the transcriptome of the NCI-60 panel with a custom-made gene array**
- **We are investigating whether Golgi localization and structure affects the glycome in a non-glycosyltransferase dependent manner**
- **We are interested in miRNAs which may affect expression patterns that control the glycome**

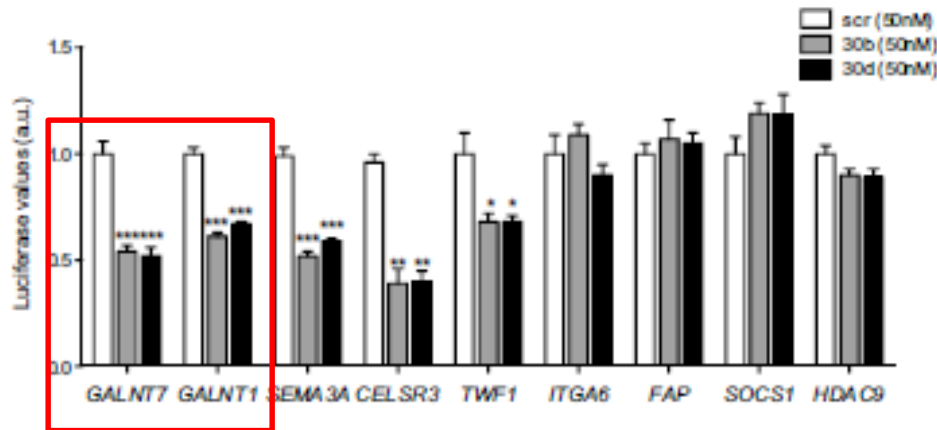
# microRNAs (miRNA)



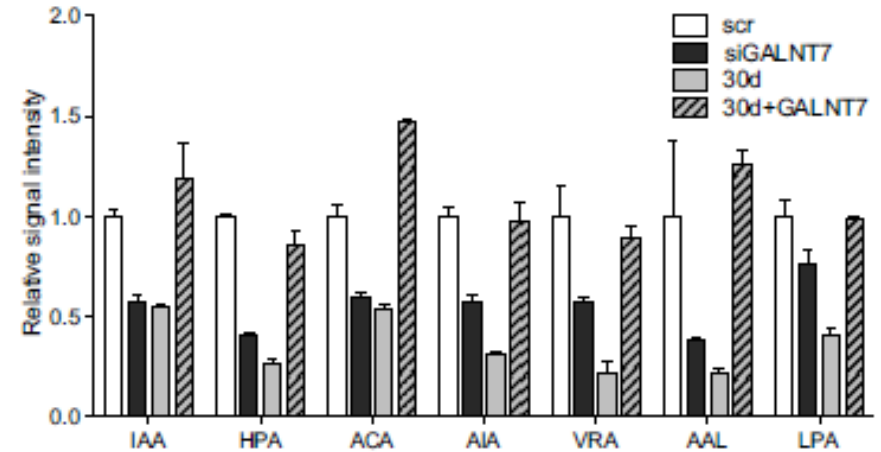
- miRNA are genomically encoded short (~22 nt) molecules involved in repressing expression of mRNA
- They are processed and recruit a silencing complex which binds to the 3' untranslated region of mRNA and inhibit translation of the message to protein
- They affect many cellular processes, including glycosylation

# miR-30b/d repress O-linked transferases, promoting melanoma invasion and immunosuppression

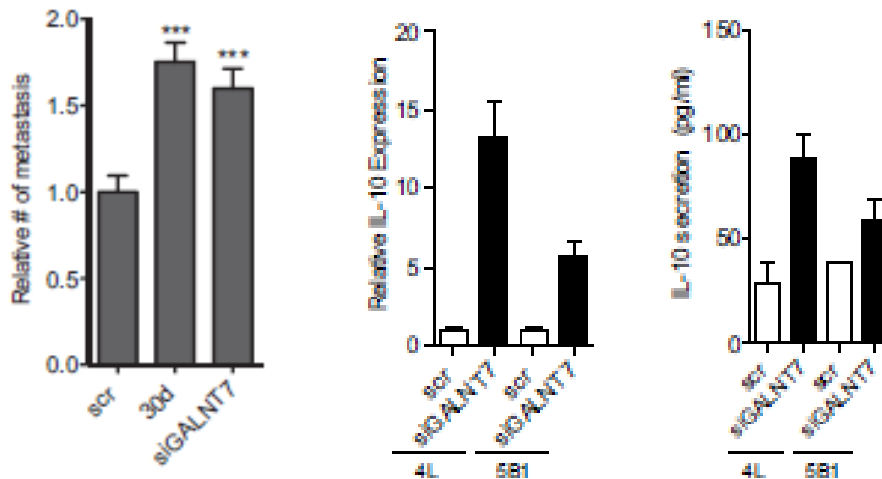
## miRNA regulation GalNT expression



## GalNT7 repression affects O-linked glycome



## Metastasis and Immunosuppression Increase



-We have demonstrated miRNA regulation of a glycosyltransferase

-This regulation affects the glycome, promotes invasion and immunorepression

-How else may miRNAs be controlling the glycome?

# Conclusions

- **We have applied a microarray strategy to the analysis of the glycomes of nearly 60 cell lines**
- **We have integrated glycomic and genomic array methods**
  - **This analysis has identified gene expression patterns which co-vary with glycomic expression**
- **We are investigating previously un-considered Golgi structural pathways and miRNA regulation of the glycome**

# Future Directions

- **Analysis of the complete NCI-60 glycome/genome array data set is ongoing**
- **We are pursuing miRNA regulation of the melanoma glycome (collaboration with NYU Medical School)**
- **We are investigating differential regulation of *N*- and *O*-linked pathways**
- **We are investigating the role of the Golgi structure in determining the glycome**



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