

Multi-Stage Probabilistic Bipartite Graph Algorithm - Effect of Herbal Medicines on the Gut Ecosystem

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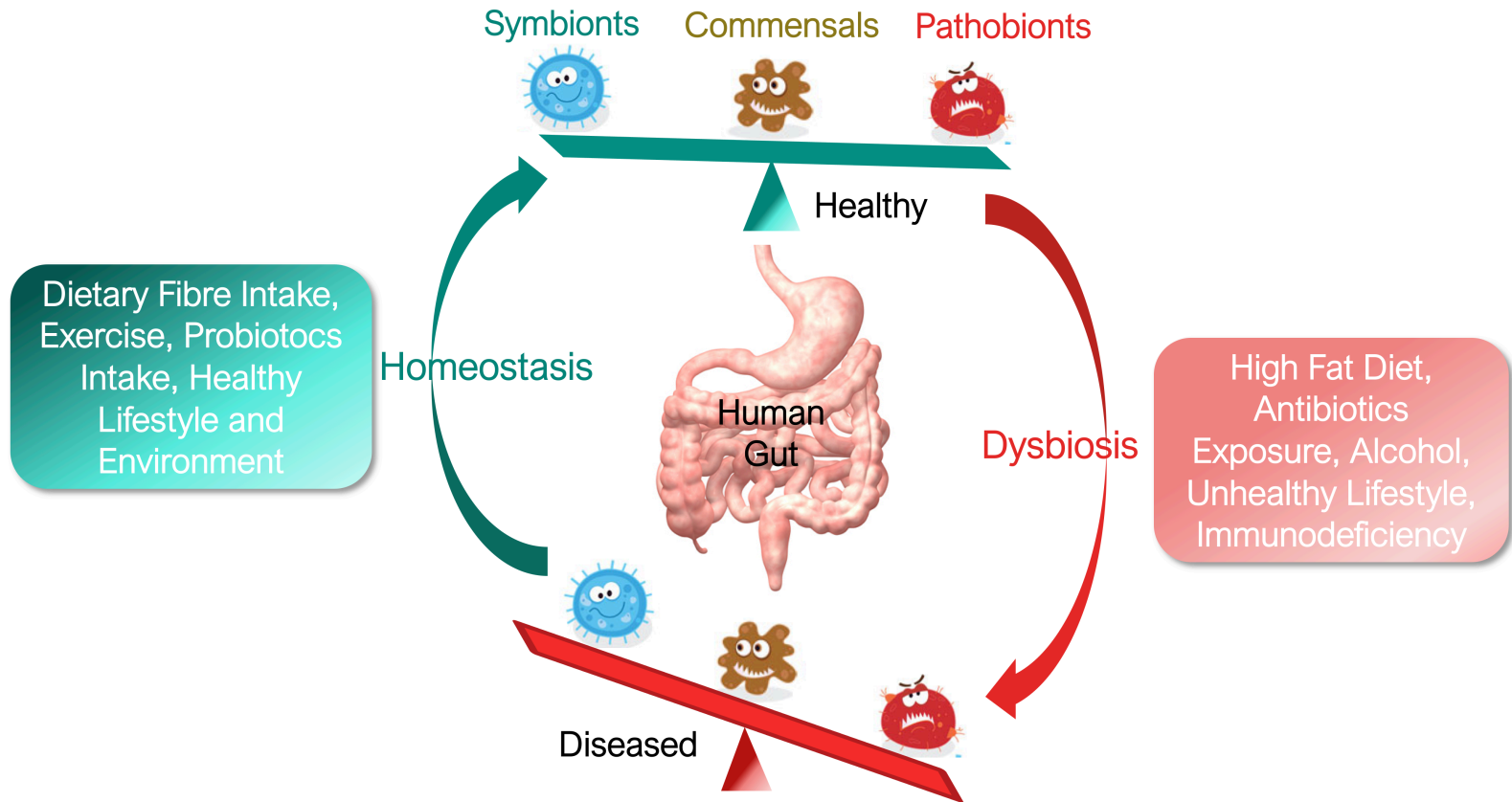
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Straightforward Overview

- Purpose/value of the study
- Effect of Herbs on the Gut Ecosystem
- Our Contribution
- Multi-stage Graph Probabilistic Algorithm
- Dataset Used
- Results and Discussion
- Conclusion
- Limitations
- Future Work

Why do we care?



- Such imbalance could result in intestinal and extra-intestinal disorders, including inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), diabetes mellitus (DM), obesity, etc.

Pharmacological Effects of Natural Products

Role of Gut Microbiota in the Pharmacological Effects of Natural Products

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Berberine Regulates Treg/Th17 Balance to Treat Ulcerative Colitis Through Modulating the Gut Microbiota in the Colon

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Anthocyanins as inflammatory modulators and the role of the gut microbiota

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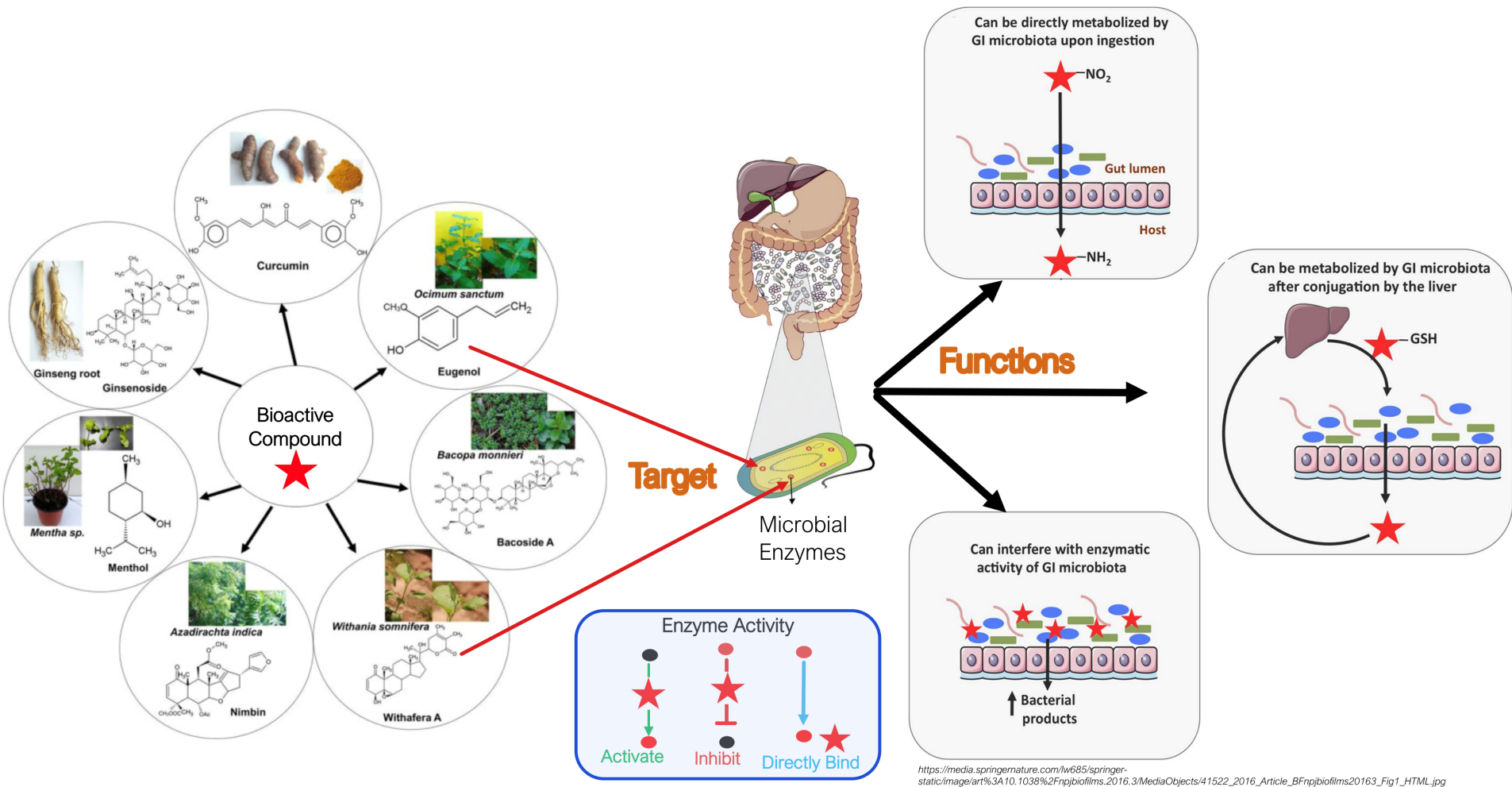


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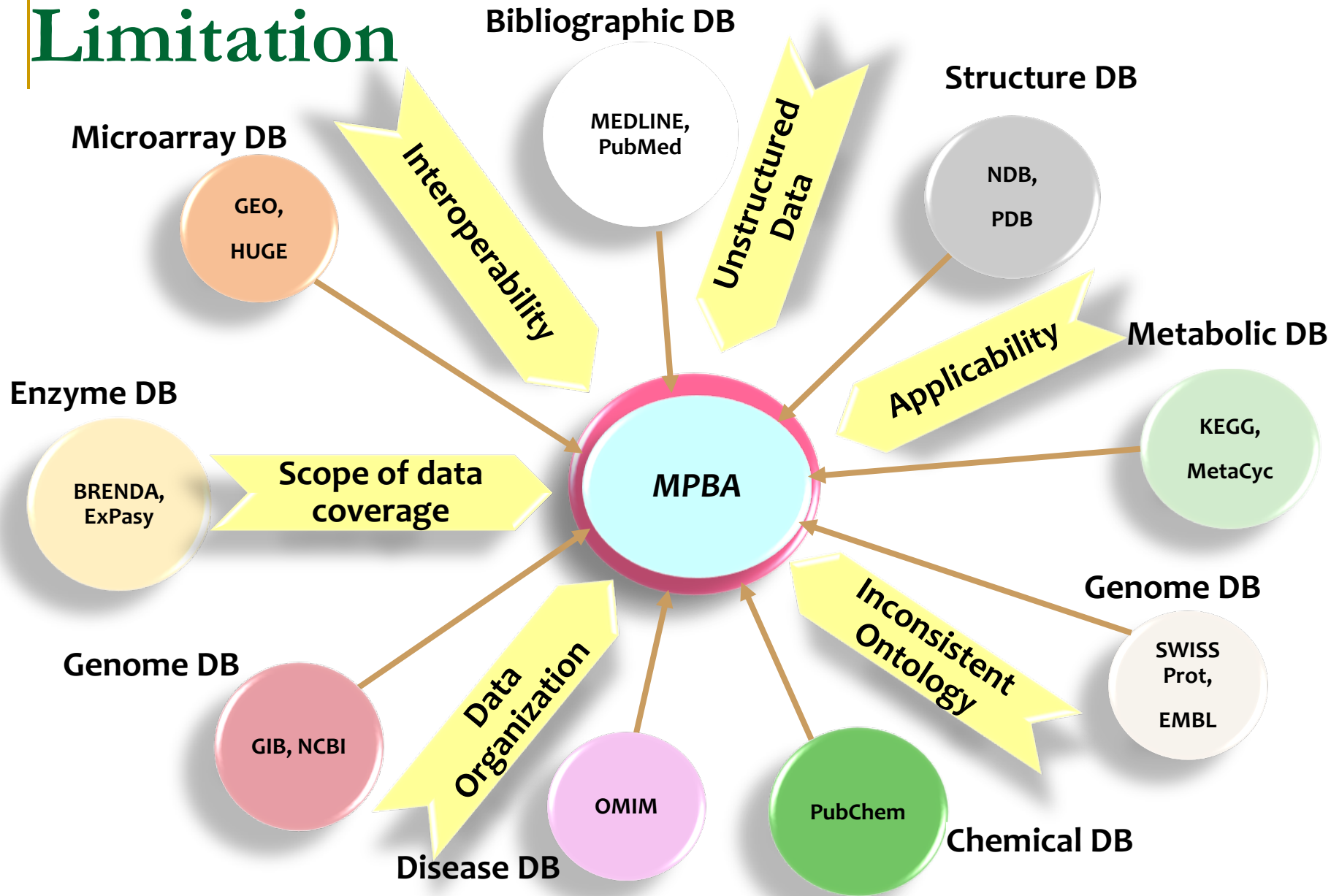


Ginseng polysaccharides enhanced ginsenoside Rb1 and microbial metabolites exposure through enhancing intestinal absorption and affecting gut microbial metabolism

Herbs Modulate Gut Bacterial Metabolism



Limitation



Why Hear the Talk?

To

- understand a comprehensive method that integrates knowledge from multiple sources.
- know how to characterize the microbial dysbiosis.
- evaluate the pharmacological value of herbal medicine.
- learn how and which herbs can modulate the gut microbial functions.

What is our contribution?

We

- provide a ***systems-level characterization*** of the effects of the small molecules in herbs on the bacterial genes and metabolic pathways.
- propose a ***computational network-based approach***-the **Multi-stage **P**robabilistic **B**ipartite graph **A**lgorithm (**MPBA**), which integrates the complex heterogeneous metabolism/pathway data from herbs to gut bacteria.**

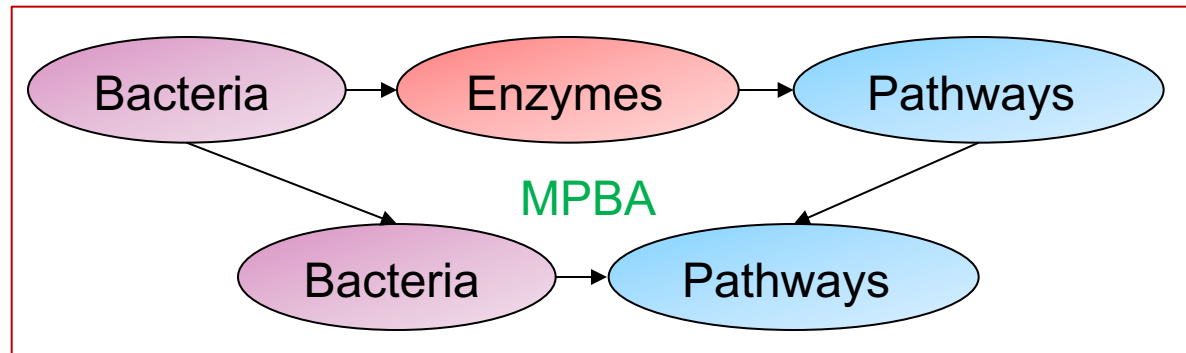
Background Work

- ◆ **The human colon modulates of gut immune function, protects the host against pathogens and diseases.** [D. C. Savage, et al., 1997, R. E. Ley, et al., 2010]
- ◆ **Variations in products of bacterial metabolism have been implicated as a causative agent in serious diseases, including cancer** (example: *Helicobacter pylori*). [Flint, Harry J., et al., 2012]
- ◆ **Herbal medicine are useful in the treatment of dysbiosis and serve as a multi-targeting complementary/alternative medicine/probiotic in the management of colon health,** [M. Sałaga, et al., 2014, F. Ke, et al., 2012]

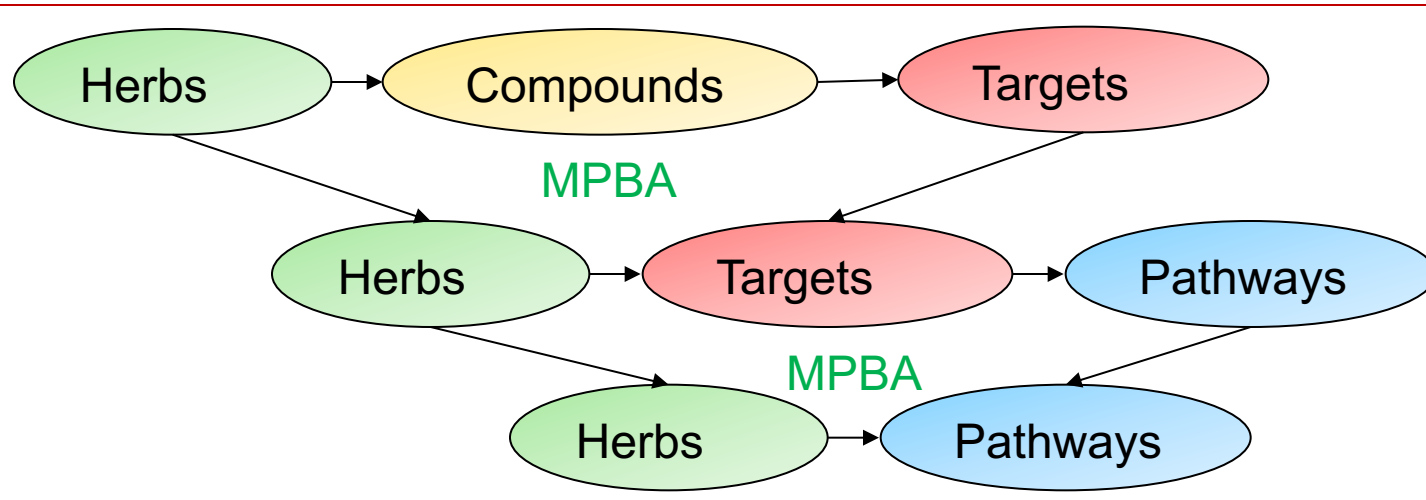
Multi-Stage Probabilistic Bipartite Graph Algorithm

Our Prediction Model

**Bacterial
metabolism**



**Herbal
pharmacology**



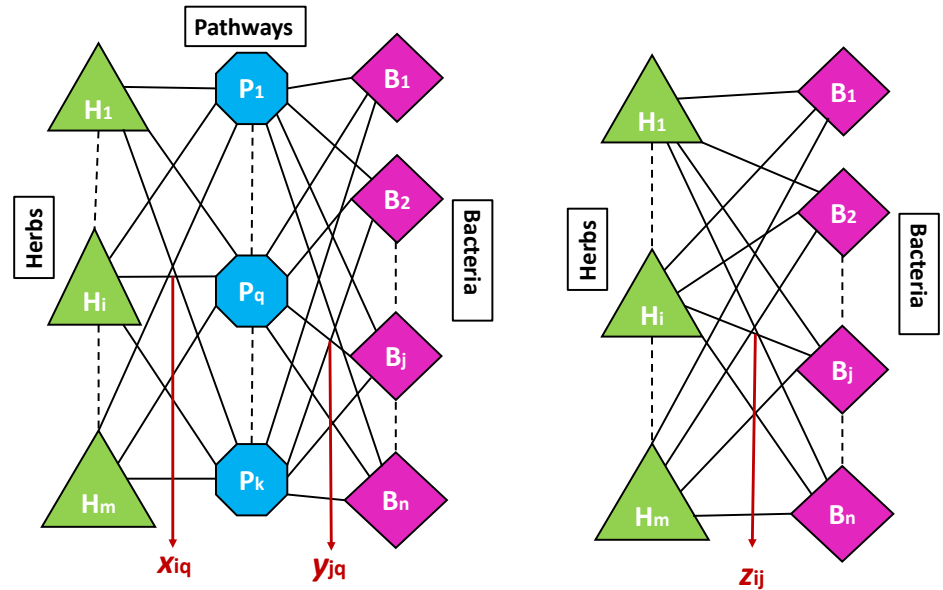
**Herbs modulating
bacterial functions**



The MPBA

Graph Approximation

$$z_{ij} \approx \sum_{q=1}^k \frac{x_{iq} y_{jq}}{\sigma_q}, \text{ where}$$



$$\sigma_q = \sum_{i=1}^m x_{iq} + \sum_{j=1}^n y_{jq}$$

It denotes the degree of the pathway nodes.

Matrix Form

$$Z \approx X \Sigma Y^T, \text{ where } \Sigma \text{ is a diagonal matrix, with } (\Sigma)_{qq} = \frac{1}{\sigma_q}$$

The Divergence Loss Function

◆ To evaluate how well the algorithm models the data, we use the divergence loss function

◆ The approximation $Z \approx X\Sigma Y^T$, can be done minimizing

$$l(Z, X\Sigma Y^T)$$

Divergence Loss

$$l(Z, X\Sigma Y^T) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \left(z_{ij} \log \frac{z_{ij}}{(X\Sigma Y^T)_{ij}} - z_{ij} + (X\Sigma Y^T)_{ij} \right)$$

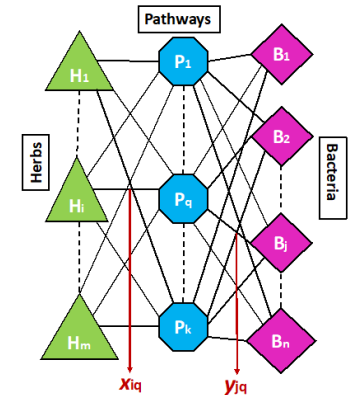
, which equal zero when $Z = X\Sigma Y^T$

Probabilistic Graph Model

- ◆ We can interpret the same equation using *Markov random walks* on graphs as done using PLSA [T. Hoffman, 200].
- ◆ The weight z_{ij} is essentially a quantity proportional to the stationary probability of direct transitions between h_i and b_j , denoted by $p(h_i, b_j)$.

$$z_{ij} = p(h_i, b_j)$$

$$p(h_i, b_j) = p(h_i)p(b_j|h_i)$$

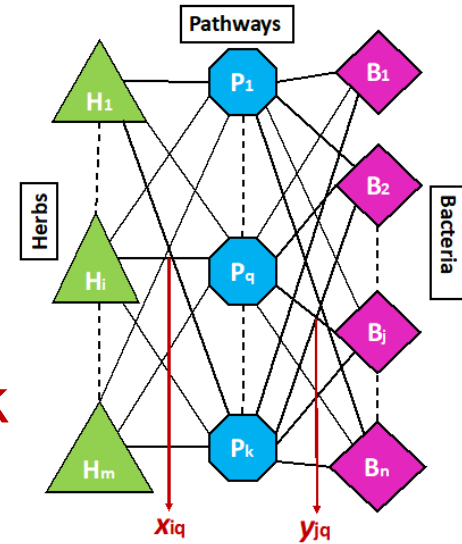


- ◆ In a tripartite graph there is no direct edge between the h_i node and the b_j node, and they can only be connected through the pathway nodes p_q

Probabilistic Graph Model

$$p(h_i, b_j) = p(h_i)p(b_j|h_i) \text{ Transition probability}$$

$$p(b_j|h_i) = \sum_{q=1}^k p(b_j|p_q)p(p_q|h_i) \text{ Tripartite Network}$$



$$p(h_i, b_j) = p(h_i) \sum_{q=1}^k p(b_j|p_q)p(p_q|h_i) \text{ Back Substitution}$$

$$p(h_i, b_j) = \sum_{q=1}^k \frac{p(h_i, p_q)p(b_j, p_q)}{p(p_q)} \Rightarrow z_{ij} \approx \sum_{q=1}^k \frac{x_{iq}b_{yq}}{\sigma_q}$$

Model Fitting Using EM Algorithm

Unsupervised Learning by Probabilistic Latent Semantic Analysis

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3.2. Model fitting with the EM algorithm

The standard procedure for maximum likelihood estimation in latent variable models is the Expectation Maximization (EM) algorithm (Dempster, Laird, & Rubin, 1977). EM

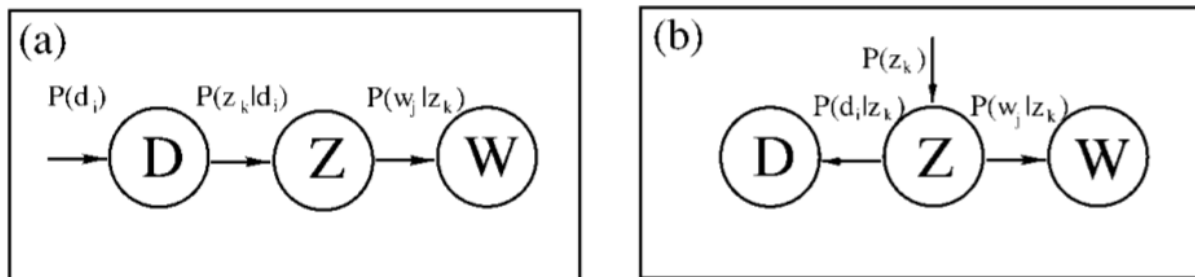


Figure 1. Graphical model representation of the aspect model in the asymmetric (a) and symmetric (b) parameterization.

Bayesian Formula

- ◆ For the E-step we apply Bayes' formula to obtain

$$p(p_q | h_i, b_j) = \frac{p(h_i, b_j | p_q) p(p_q)}{p(h_i, b_j)}$$

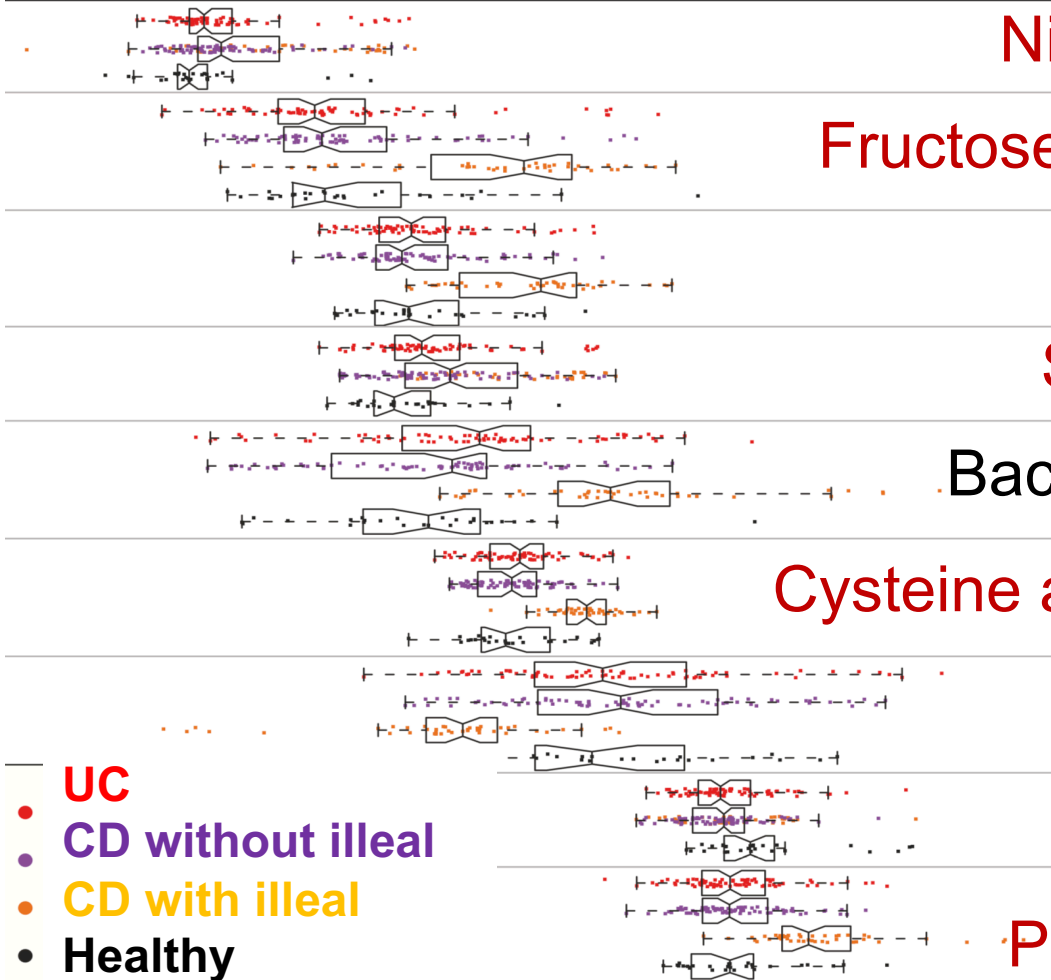
- ◆ And in the M-step one has to maximize the expected complete data log-likelihood given by,

$$\mathbf{E} [\mathcal{L}^c] = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M n(h_i, b_j) \sum_{q=1}^K P(p_q | h_i, b_j) \log [P(b_j | p_q) P(p_q | h_i)]$$

- ◆ where $n(h_i, b_j)$ is the frequency or the number of paths from herb to bacteria through the pathway node.

Dataset Used

Differential Abundant Pathways in IBD



Nitrogen metabolism

Fructose and mannose metabolism

Riboflavin metabolism

Sulfur metabolism

Bacterial secretion system

Cysteine and methionine metabolism

Butanoate metabolism

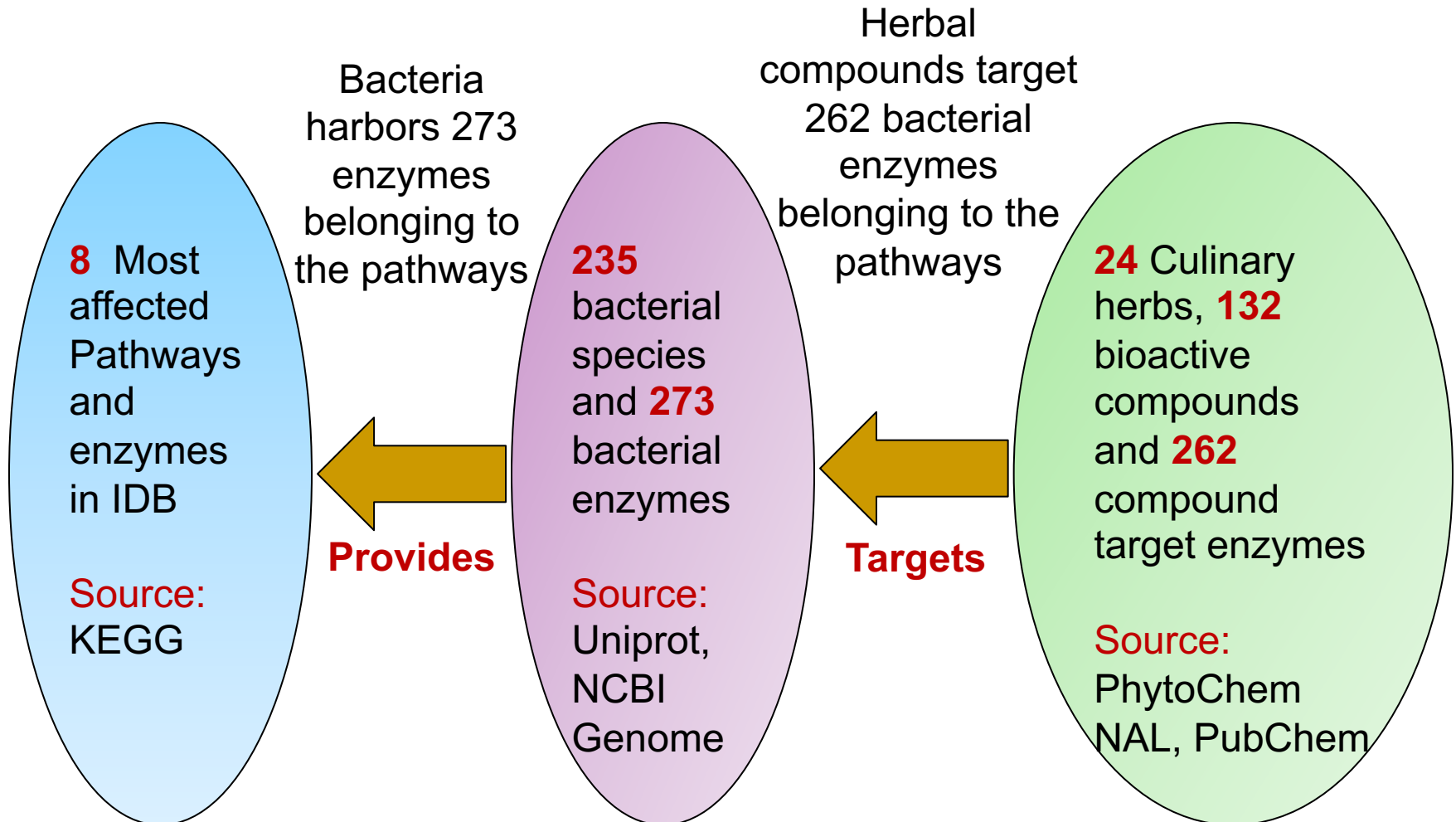
Lysine biosynthesis

Pentose phosphate pathway

- UC
- CD without ileal
- CD with ileal
- Healthy

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Dataset and Source



Results and Discussion

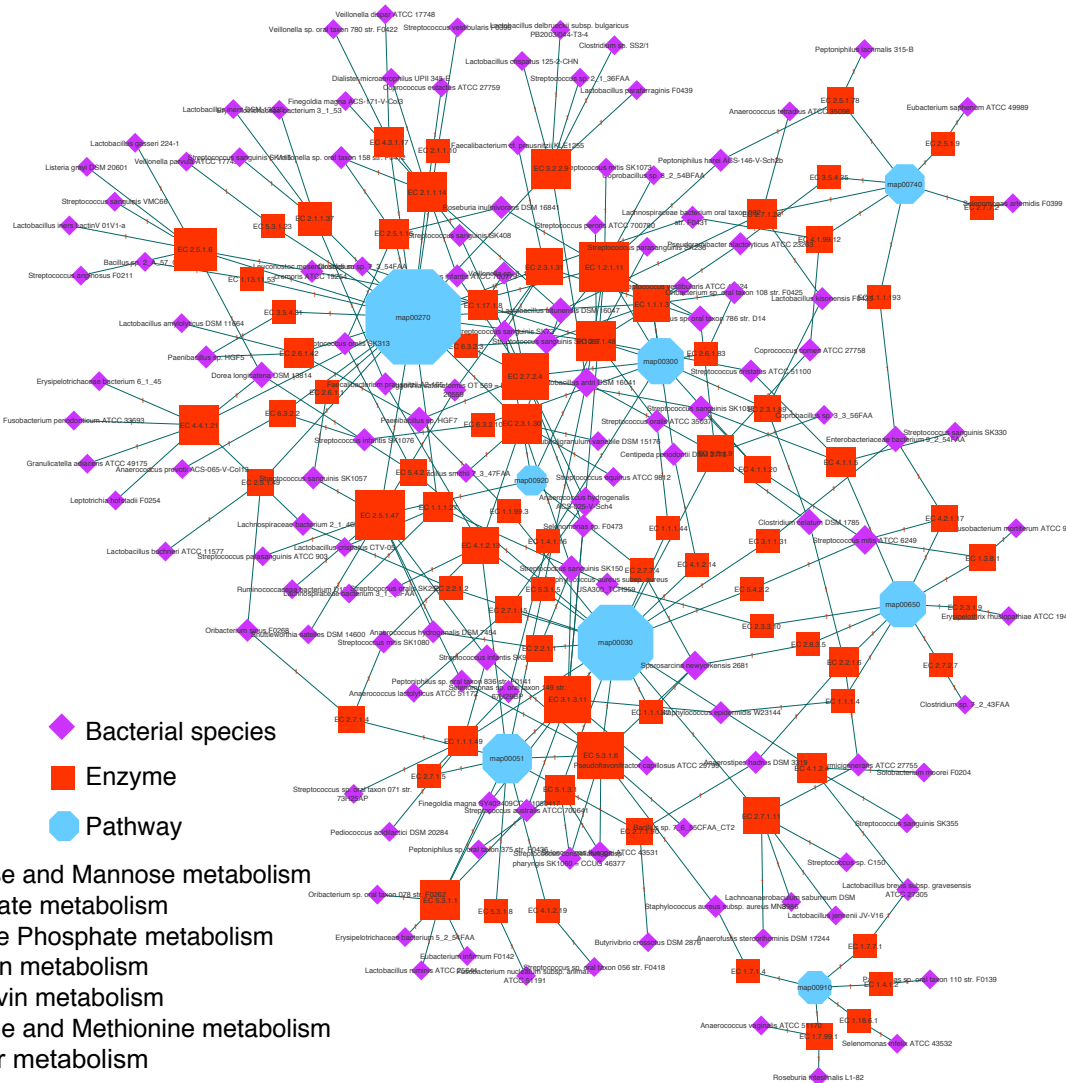
Case Study

- Most Affected Microbial Metabolic Pathways and Enzymes In Both UC And CD

Pathway	Map	Enzyme Count	Bacteria Count
Cysteine and methionine metabolism	map00270	86	235
Butanoate metabolism	map00650	67	222
Fructose and mannose metabolism	map00051	60	235
Pentose phosphate pathway	map00030	53	235
Lysine biosynthesis	map00300	46	234
Niripartiterogen metabolism	map00910	37	217
Sulfur metabolism	map00920	44	195
Riboflavin metabolism	map00740	33	235

- Routes were traced through the metabolic model of the gut microbiota, and the organism(s) harboring the necessary genes identified.

Bacterial metabolism



- ◆ Bacterial species
- Enzyme
- Pathway

- map00051 Fructose and Mannose metabolism
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- map00910 Nitrogen metabolism
- map00740 Riboflavin metabolism
- map00270 Cysteine and Methionine metabolism
- map00920 Sulphur metabolism

◆ The network consists of **8** pathways, **273** bacterial enzymes, **235** bacterial species, and **18060** distinct interactions.

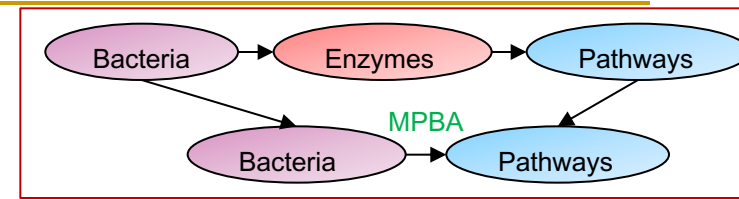
◆ *EC 1.2.1.11-aspartate-semialdehyde dehydrogenase*

Uniquely Encoded Bacterial Enzymes

Potential Drug Targets

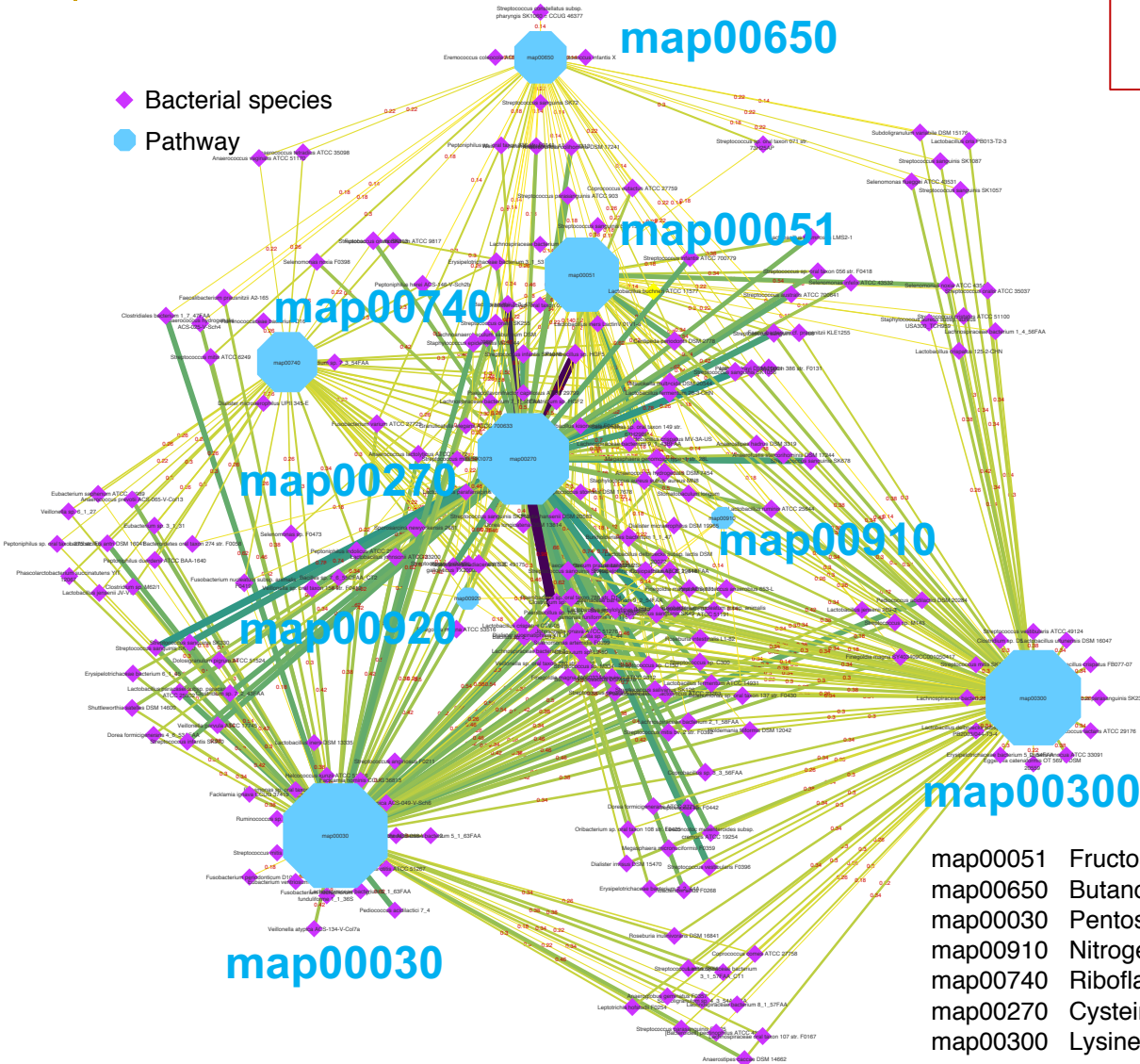
Enzyme	Pathway	Bacterium
<i>EC1.1.1.122 – L – fucosedehydrogenase</i>	Fructose and mannose metabolism	<i>Centipedaperiodontii</i> DSM2778
<i>EC7.6.2.7 – taurineABCtransporter</i>	Sulfur metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC1.3.5.4 – fumaratereductase(quinol)</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC2.3.1.184 – acyl – homoserine – lactonesynthase</i>	Cysteine and methionine metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC5.1.2.3 – 3 – hydroxybutyryl – CoAepimerase</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC2.3.1.46 – homoserineO – succinyltransferase</i>	Sulfur metabolism,Cysteine and methionine metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC2.7.4.23 – ribose1,5 – bisphosphatephosphokinase</i>	Pentose phosphate pathway	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC2.7.1.51 – L – fuculokinase</i>	Fructose and mannose metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC3.1.3.7 – phosphoadenylate3' – nucleotidase</i>	Sulfur metabolism	<i>Enterobacteriaceabacterium9254F AA</i>
<i>EC2.7.1.55 – alloseekinase</i>	Fructose and mannose metabolism	<i>Eubacteriumventriosum</i> ATCC27560
<i>EC1.13.12.16 – nitronatemonooxygenase</i>	Nitrogen metabolism	<i>Fusobacteriumnucleatum</i> subsp. <i>animalis</i> ATCC51191
<i>EC3.2.2.16 – methylthioadenosinenucleosidase</i>	Cysteine and methionine metabolism	<i>Fusobacteriumvarium</i> ATCC27725
<i>EC1.1.1.36 – acetoacetyl – CoAeductase</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Granulicatellaadiacens</i> ATCC49175
<i>EC4.1.1.12 – aspartate4 – decarboxylase</i>	Cysteine and methionine metabolism	<i>Lactobacillusantri</i> DSM16041
<i>EC1.7.7.1 – ferredoxin – – – nitritereductase</i>	Nitrogen metabolism	<i>Lactobacillusbrevis</i> subsp. <i>gravesensis</i> ATCC27305
<i>EC3.1.3.46 – fructose – 2,6 – bisphosphatase</i>	Fructose and mannose metabolism	<i>Lactobacillusdelbrueckii</i> subsp. <i>lactis</i> DSM20072
<i>EC1.4.7.1 – glutamatesynthase</i>	Nitrogen metabolism	<i>Lactobacillusrhamnosus</i> LMS2 – 1
<i>EC4.1.2.43 – 3 – hexulose – 6 – phosphatesynthase</i>	Pentose phosphate pathway	<i>Paenibacillus</i> sp.HGF7
<i>EC1.1.1.215 – gluconate2 – dehydrogenase</i>	Pentose phosphate pathway	<i>Paenibacillus</i> sp.oraltaxon786str.D14
<i>EC1.4.1.2 – glutamatedehydrogenase</i>	Nitrogen metabolism	<i>Parvimonass</i> sp.oraltaxon110str.F0139
<i>EC2.3.3.14 – homocitratesynthase</i>	Lysine biosynthesis	<i>Peptostreptococcusanaerobius</i> 653 – L
<i>EC2.7.7.22 – GDPmannosephosphorylase</i>	Fructose and mannose metabolism	<i>Selenomonass</i> sp.oraltaxon149str.67H29BP
<i>EC2.8.3.5 – 3 – oxoacidCoA – transferase</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Sporosarcinanewyorkensis</i> 2681
<i>EC6.2.1.16 – acetoacetyl – CoAsynthetase</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Sporosarcinanewyorkensis</i> 2681
<i>EC6.2.1.2 – butyryl – CoAsynthetase</i>	Butanoate metabolism	<i>Staphylococcusepidermidis</i> W23144
<i>EC2.4.2.28 – MeSAdophosphorylase</i>	Cysteine and methionine metabolism	<i>Veillonellasp.oraltaxon158str.F0412</i>

Bacterial metabolism



◆ Bacterial species

● Pathway

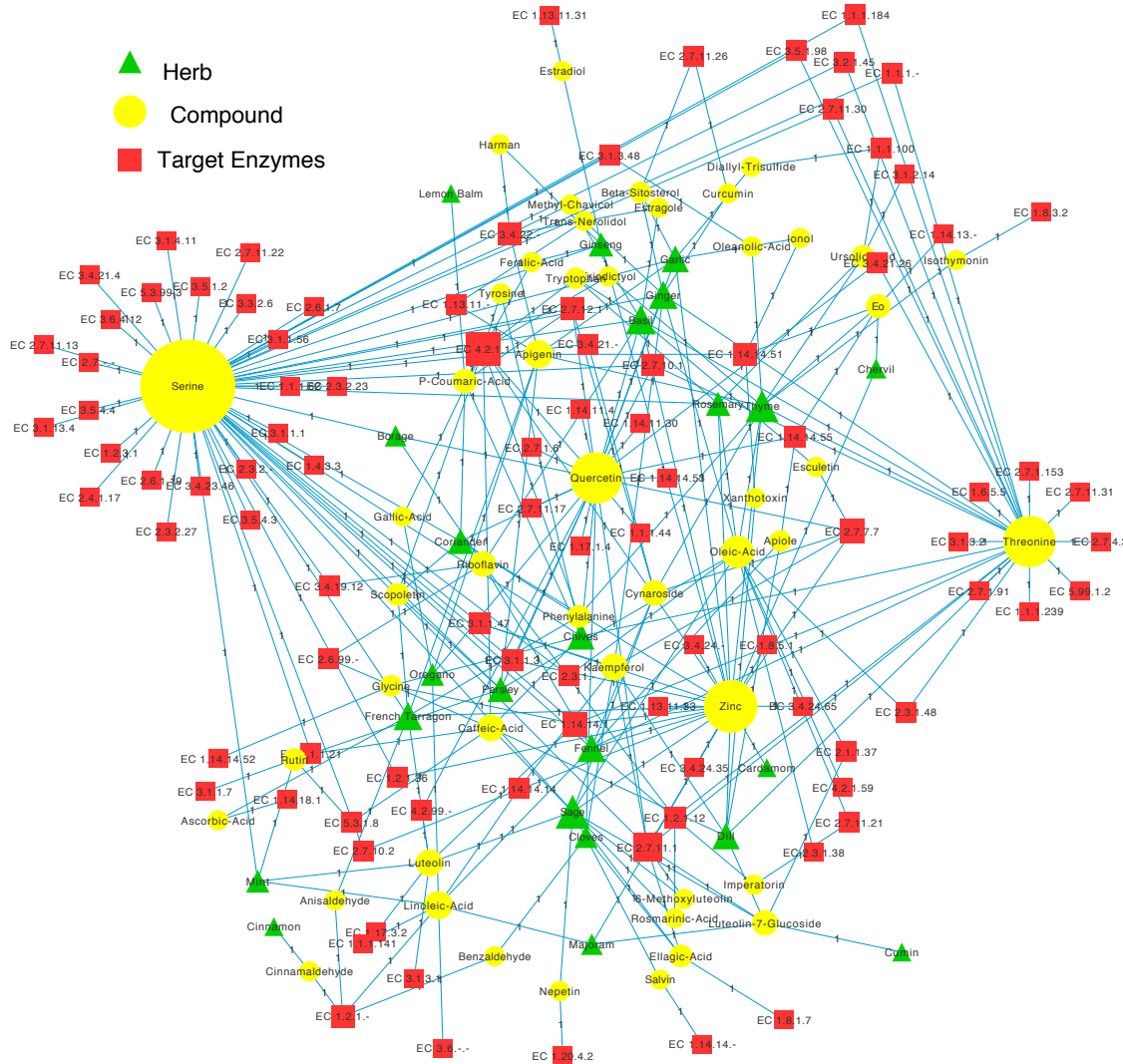
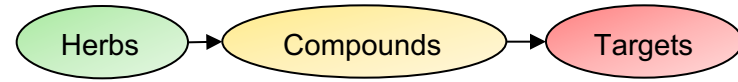


◆ *Paenibacillus sp. HGF7*,
Staphylococcus epidermidis
W23144, *Streptococcus*
sanguinis SK1087,
Lactobacillus buchneri ATCC
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◆ Sulphur and Nitrogen
 metabolism has enzymes
 uniquely encoded by bacterial
 species

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- map00740 Riboflavin metabolism
- map00270 Cysteine and Methionine metabolism
- map00300 Lysine biosynthesis

Herbal Pharmacology

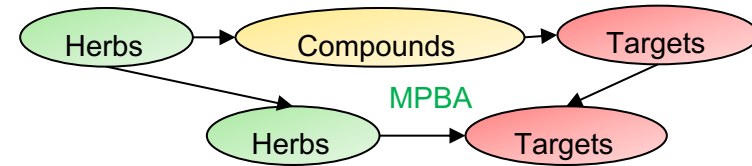
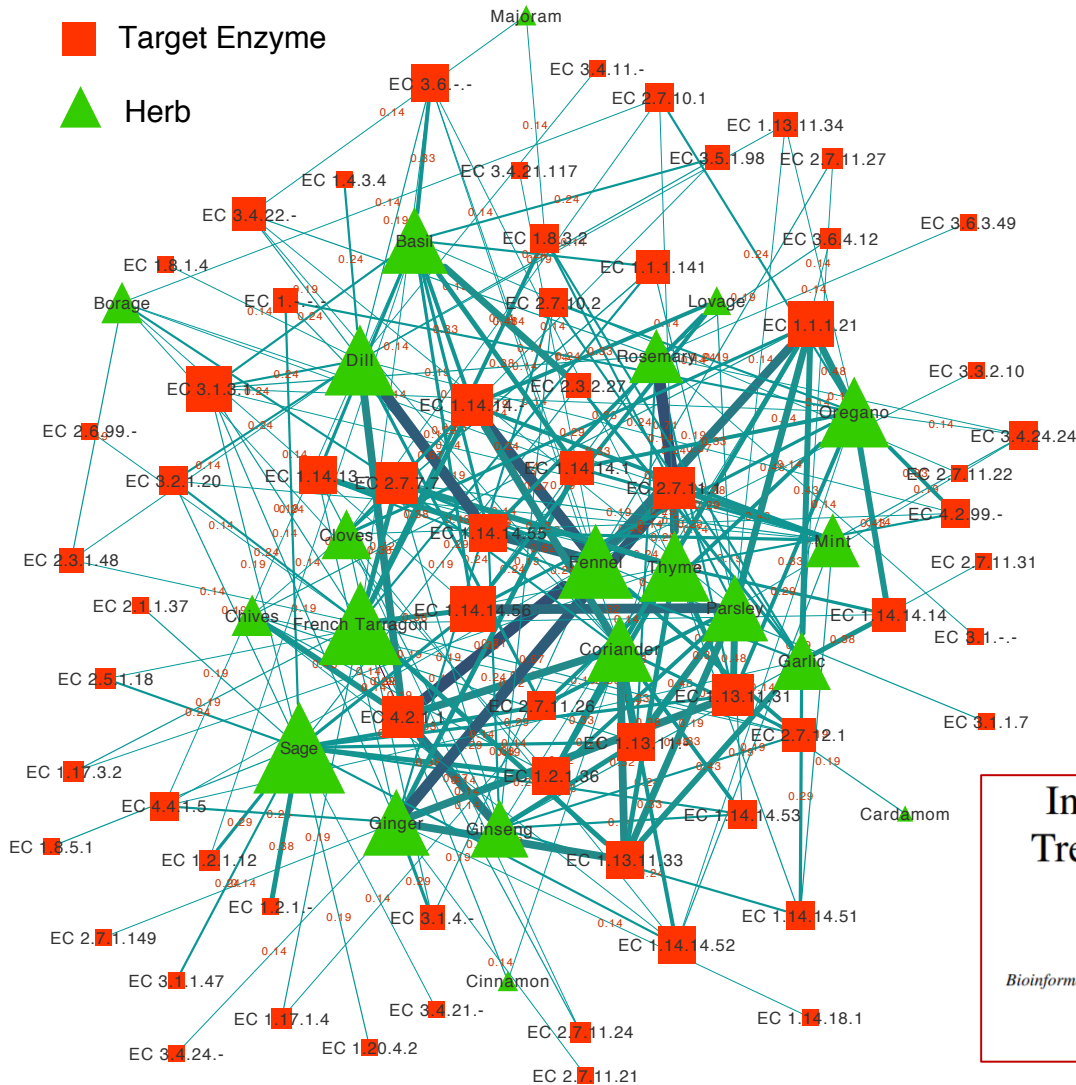


- ◆ The network **5623** unique herb-target interactions.
- ◆ Dill, fennel, parsley, ginseng, french tarragon, basil, coriander, mint, and thyme, were capable of targeting **262** enzymes.
- ◆ *aldehyde reductase* – most targeted enzyme, causes imbalances in 5-HT levels. [D. Keszthelyi, et al., 2009]

Compounds Targeting Enzymes

Compound	Enzyme_count	Herbs
Quercetin	185	Borage,Basil,Fennel,Dill,Chives,Coriander,Cloves, French Tarragon,Garlic,Oregano,Parsley,Ginger
Luteolin	180	Thyme,French Tarragon,Mint,Oregano,Rosemary,Sage
Curcumin	176	Ginger
Gallic-Acid	170	Thyme,Cloves,French Tarragon,Oregano,Sage
Nicotinamide	168	Ginseng
Coumarins	167	Dill,Lovage
O-Methoxycinnamaldehyde	167	Basil,Cinnamon
Guaiacol	167	Cinnamon,Mint
Lutein	167	Ginseng
Esculin	167	Basil
Linoleic-Acid	167	Borage,Basil,Cardamom,Fennel,Dill,Thyme,Chervil, Chives,Coriander,Garlic,Ginseng,Majoram, Mint,Oregano,Rosemary,Sage,Ginger
Estradiol	167	Ginseng
Apigenin	167	Basil,Dill,Thyme,Coriander,French Tarragon,Garlic, Oregano,Parsley,Rosemary,Sage
Myricetin	69	Cloves,Garlic,Ginger
Chlorogenic-Acid	49	Fennel,Dill,Thyme,Coriander,French Tarragon,Garlic, Majoram,Mint,Oregano,Parsley,Rosemary,Ginger
Esculetin	45	Basil,Dill,French Tarragon
Bergapten	16	Fennel,Dill,Coriander,Lovage,Parsley
5-Methoxy-Psoralein	16	Fennel,Dill,Coriander,Lovage,Parsley
Scopoletin	15	Fennel,Dill,Coriander,French Tarragon,Parsley
Benzaldehyde	14	Basil,Cinnamon,Cloves,Lemon Balm,Ginseng,Parsley

Herb-Target Analysis



◆ The HT network has **5623** unique herb-target interactions.

◆ The average degree (connectivity) of the HT network (**39.32**) and most herbs targeted on an average of **23.3** enzymes which is significantly higher than the modern synthetic drugs (**1.8**) [M.AY, et al., 2017].

Integrated Network-based Approach for the Treatment & Prevention of IBD with Natural Products

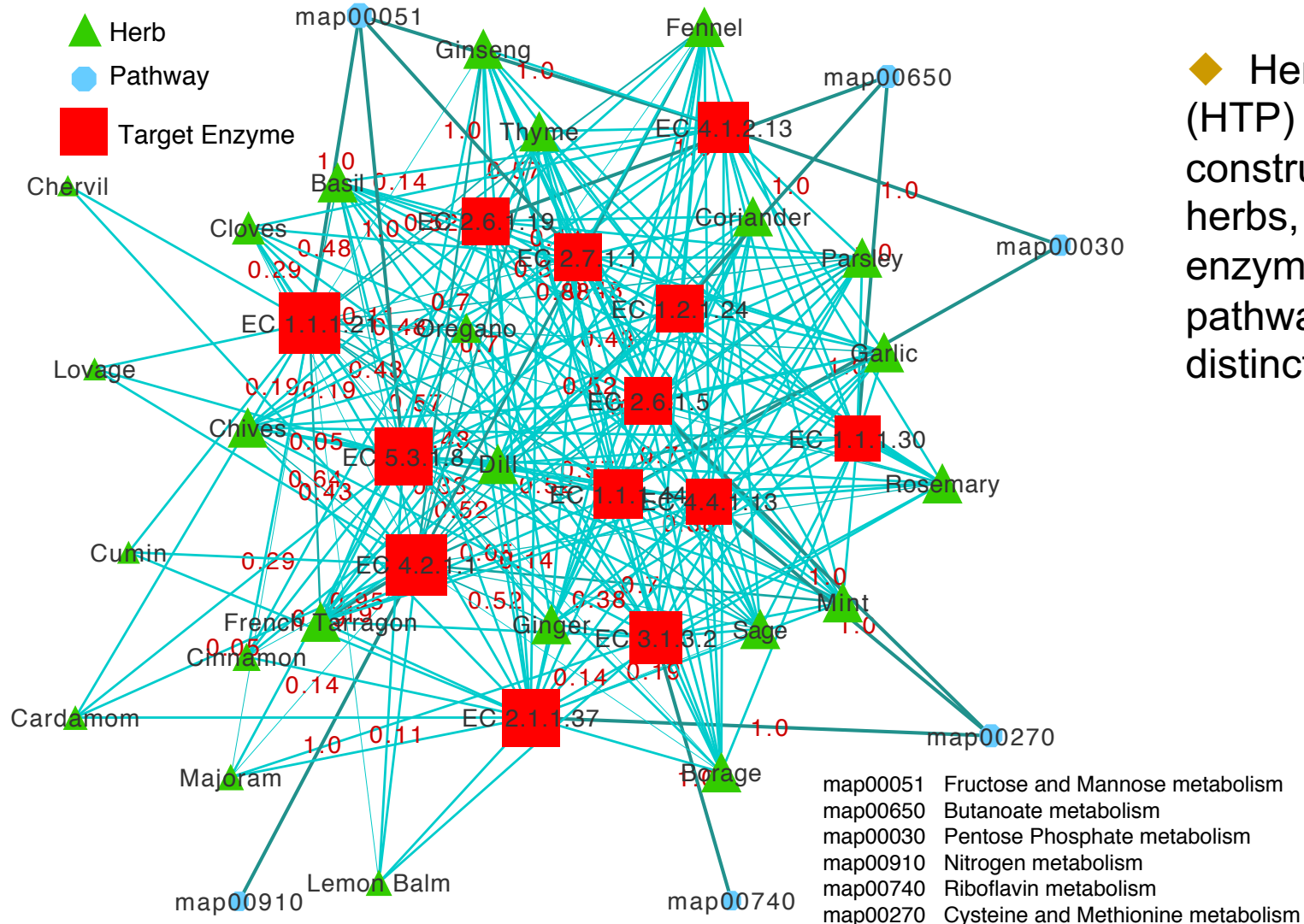
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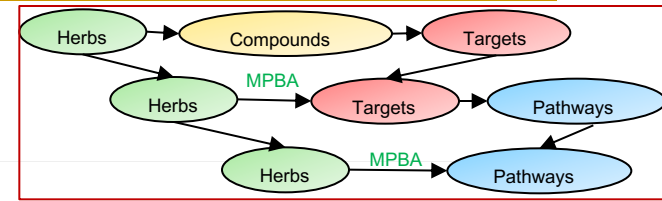
Herb-Target-Pathway Net



◆ Herb-target-pathway (HTP) network was constructed with **24** herbs, **262** target enzymes, **8** metabolic pathways, and **5893** distinct interactions.



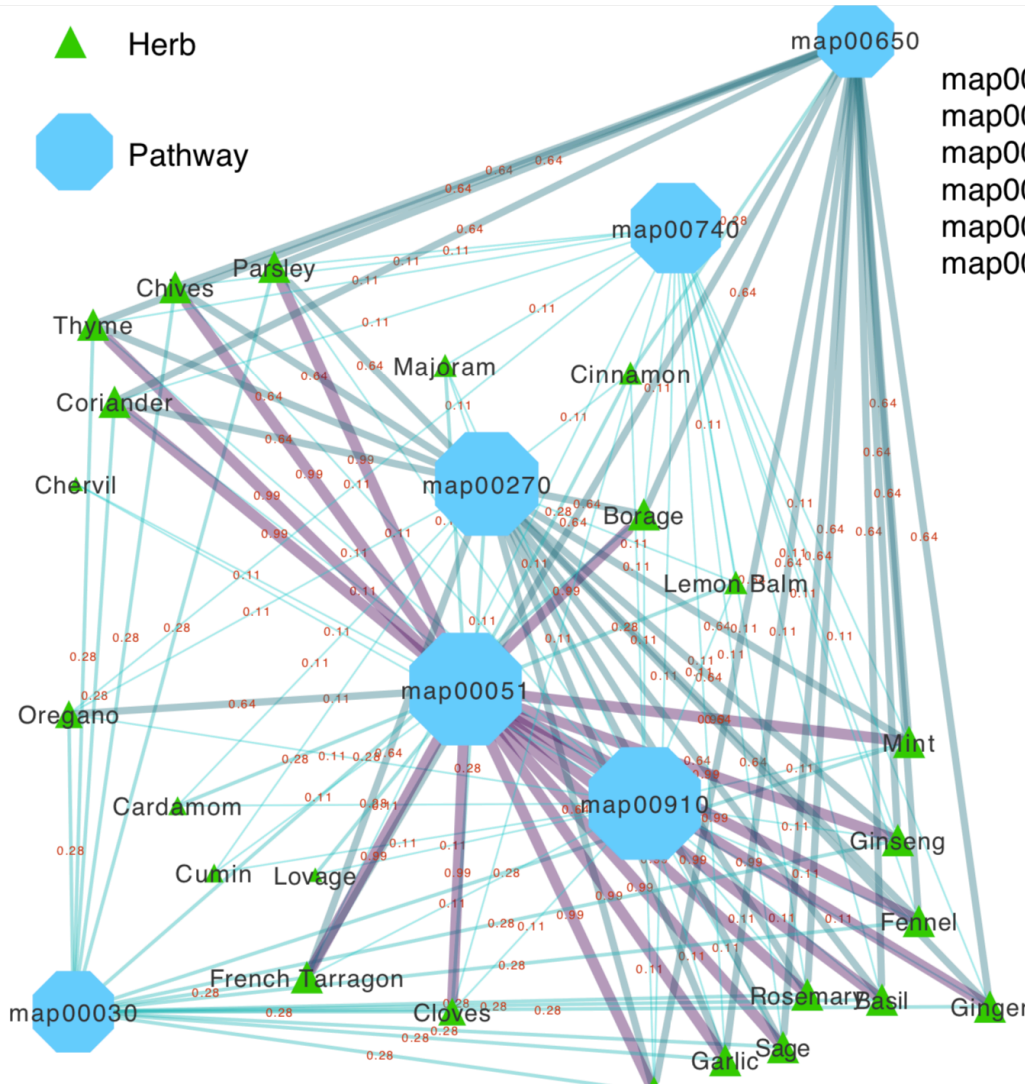
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◆ *Fructose and Mannose metabolism (map00051)* is the pathway targeted by most herbs including, **coriander, chives, thyme, parsley, ginger, garlic, mint, basil, etc.**

◆ *Butanoate and Pentose Phosphate* metabolism are targeted by fewer no. of herbs.



Herb-Pathway-Bacteria Net.

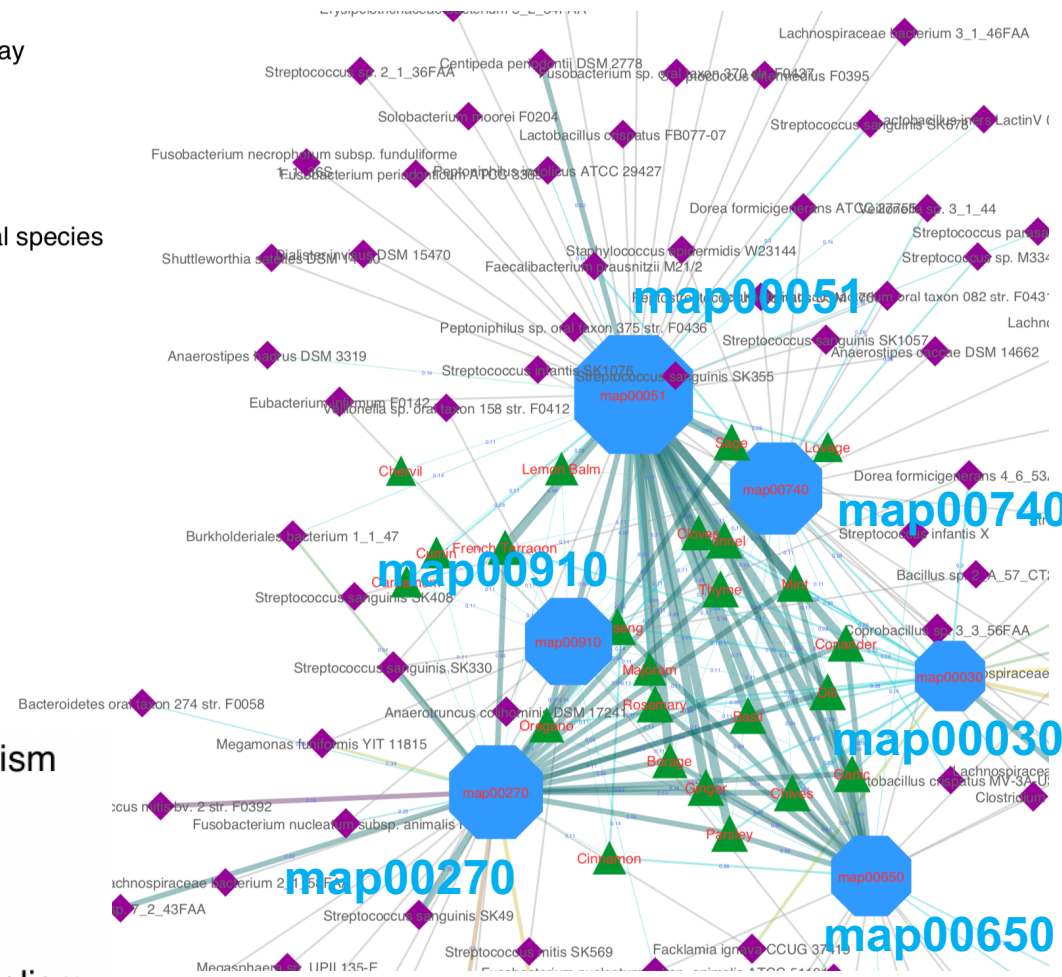
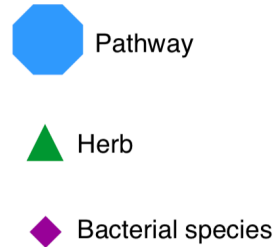


◆ What are the potential herbs which can regulate bacterial functions and compositions?

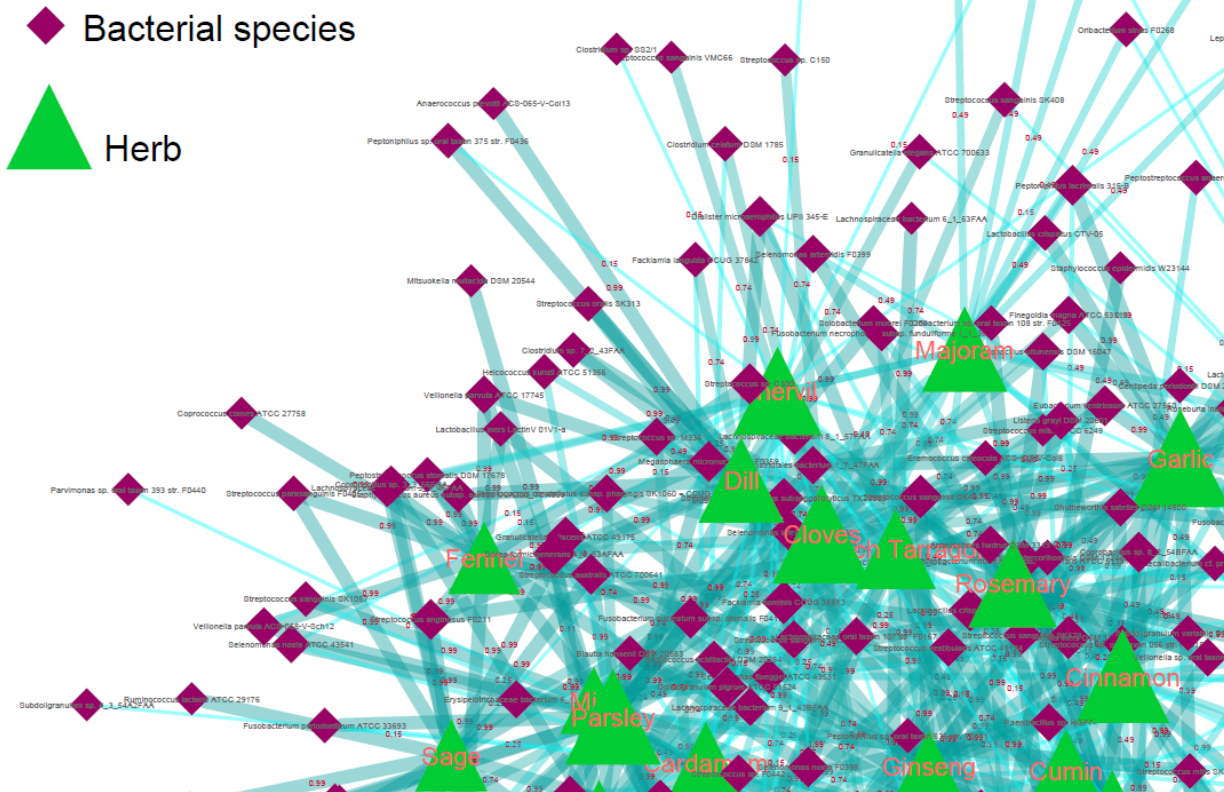
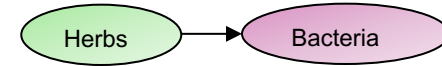
◆ What are the bacterial species a given herb can target?

◆ And what are the metabolic functions the herbs can regulate?

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Herb-Bacteria Analysis



- Species including *Sporosarcina newyorkensis* 2681, *Centipeda periodontii* DSM 2778, *Enterobacteriaceae bacterium* 9 2 54FAA, *Staphylococcus epidermidis* W23144, are targeted by various herbs - mint, garlic, ginger, thyme, and, basil.

- Alternatively, species including *Helcococcus kunzii* ATCC 51366, *Facklamia ignava* CCUG 37419, *Eubacterium infirmum* F0142, and *Fusobacterium necrophorum* subsp. *funduliforme* 1 1 36S are found to harbor unique enzymes which are not commonly encoded by the bacterial genes and are targeted by fewer herbs like **sage**, **borage**, etc

Discussion

- ◆ Herbal medicines, when exposed to gut microbes, metabolizes into active or absorbable compounds which are accomplished by the secreted enzymes of intestinal microflora.
- ◆ Results show **ginseng** has as an effect on **6** out of the **8** given pathways such as, **Nitrogen** metabolism, **Fructose, and mannose** metabolism, **Riboflavin** metabolism, **Cysteine and methionine** metabolism, **Butanoate** metabolism, and **Pentose phosphate** pathway, and can target **237** enzymes belonging to these pathways which can be harbored by **235** bacterial species.
- ◆ **Ginseng** exerted a weight loss effect (antiobesity) on gut microbiota in all participants, which differed depending on the composition of gut microbiota. [Mi-YoungSong, et at., 2014]

Conclusion

MPBA allows us to:

Identify what herbal compounds can affect the bacterial composition

- ◆ Understand the gut bacterial metabolism under normal or diseased condition.
- ◆ Functionally classify the gut microbiome through their metabolic pathways and the secreted enzymes.
- ◆ Understand the pharmacology and mechanism of action of the herbs.
- ◆ Model the effect of natural drug mechanism on the gut microbiome and in turn the host health.
- ◆ Integrate heterogeneous data and predict critical associations.
- ◆ Mathematically model complex biological systems like the herbs and gut ecosystem and provides a systems approach for characterizing the functions of the system.

Limitations

- The potential limitation that we encounter lies in the **incompleteness of the networks due to unavailable compound-target knowledge**.
- Difficulty in **differentiating the therapeutic effects from the side effects**, in spite of the large volume of data that currently exist.
- The proposed method could not identify **the type of activity of the bioactive compounds on the target enzymes**, except for some supporting literatures.

Future Work

- ◆ Include abundance information from clinical samples.
- ◆ Include other factors like, age, gender, environment, lifestyle, etc., which also play a vital role in shaping the microbiome of an individual.

Thank you

Questions

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