

ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS IN THE PREDICTION OF LYMPHO VASCULAR INVASION IN PRIMARY BREAST CANCER

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OVERVIEW

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Introduction:

- Lympho Vascular Invasion (LVI) as a prognostic marker in breast cancer
- Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) stepwise Multi Layer Perceptron (MLP) and Back Propagation (BP)
 - Robust, nonlinear and flexible
 - Can handle huge and complex datasets
 - Applications ranging from simple decision making to complex medical intervention determining in cancer

Objectives:

- To use stepwise ANN with MLP and BP to select highly correlating genes from genomic data
- To use in-house developed ANN to investigate interplaying genes governing LVI
- To decipher LVI pathway

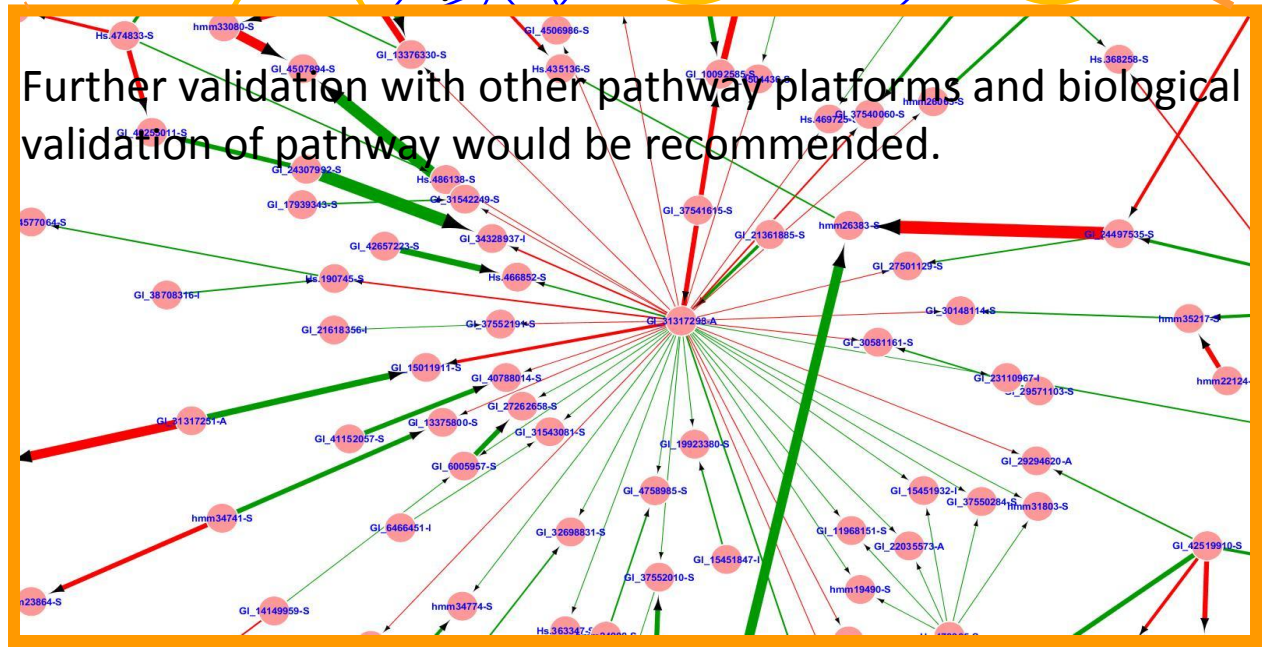
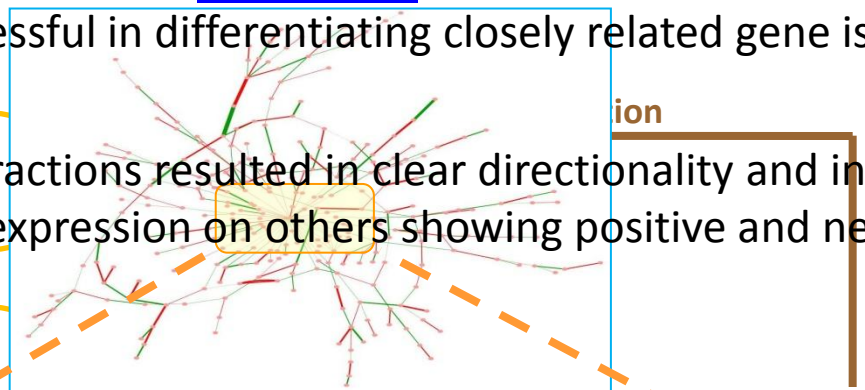
Data Source:

- Nottingham Tenovus Primary Breast Carcinoma data
 - ✓ 70 years and less women presented with stage I and II primary invasive breast carcinoma
 - ✓ 128 frozen breast cancer samples from Nottingham Hospital NHS Trust Tumour Bank between 1986-1992, using Illumina Gene array with 47293 genes

Discussion & Conclusion: **RESULTS**

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- ANN was successful in differentiating closely related gene isoforms
- Weighted interactions resulted in clear directionality and influence of one gene's expression on others showing positive and negative interactions
- In-house ANN interaction algorithm was helpful and elucidating pathway governing LVI in breast cancer



- Further validation with other pathway platforms and biological validation of pathway would be recommended.