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### CIRCADIAN GENE EXPRESSION PATTERNS ON THE PERIPHERY DEPEND ON GENOTYPE

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### THE CIRCADIAN CLOCK AND MOUSE STRAINS

#### CIRCADIAN CLOCKs

- Evolutionary adaptation
- Affect physiological processes
- Hierarchical structure

#### o MOUSE STRAINS

- Biomedical models
- Many different strains
- Genetic variability





Are there differences in circadian gene expression between strains.

# CIRCADIAN GENE EXPRESSION IN MOUSE STRAINS 129SvPas and C57BL/6

- Sampling of mice every 4h.
- Liver and adrenal glands.
- Measure expression of genes using qPCR.





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Condition 129Pas - LD C57/BL6 - LD

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# C57BL6 AND 129 STRAINS DIFFER IN OVER 20.000 SNVS AND OVER 150 STURCTRAL VARIANTS





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SEVERAL SNV VARIANTS RESIDE IN CLOCK – DEPENDENT PROMOTERS OF METABOLIC OUTPUT AND CIRCADIAN GENES



# DNA VARIATIONS IN GENES THAT SHOWED DIFFERENTIAL CIRCADIAN EXPRESSION IN C57BL/6 AND 129 MICE

| Gene       | Promoter<br>mutations |    |    | Structural variants |    |    | SNVs |     |     |
|------------|-----------------------|----|----|---------------------|----|----|------|-----|-----|
| 129 strain | P2                    | S1 | S5 | P2                  | S1 | S5 | P2   | S1  | S5  |
| Per2       | 7                     | 7  | 7  |                     |    |    | 63   | 66  | 61  |
| RevERBa    | 1                     | 1  | 1  |                     |    |    | 8    | 8   | 8   |
| Bmal1      |                       |    |    | 4                   | 5  | 4  | 183  | 181 | 179 |
| Cyp11      |                       |    |    |                     |    |    |      |     | 1   |
| Cyp17      | 3                     | 3  | 3  |                     |    |    | 3    | 3   | 3   |
| Cyp51      |                       |    |    |                     |    |    | 25   | 25  | 25  |









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### CONCLUSION

- Circadian expression of many core clock and metabolic output genes differs between 129 and C57BI/6 mouse strains. Most variations were observed in adrenal glands under LD, where several CYPs exhibit crucial differences in peak expression (phase).
- Core clock and metabolic genes that vary in gene expression 129 to C57BI/6 gene expression harbor numerous DNA variants in promoter, intron and coding regions.
- The genomes of the three 129 strains investigated are genetically very similar. Many SNVs and structural variants lie at the same location in the genome.
- These findings are relevant for future chronopharmacology studies since the genotype could crucially affect the circadian expression of drug metabolizing genes.

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