

The Collaborative Cross: What We've Learned from Randomized, Structured Populations

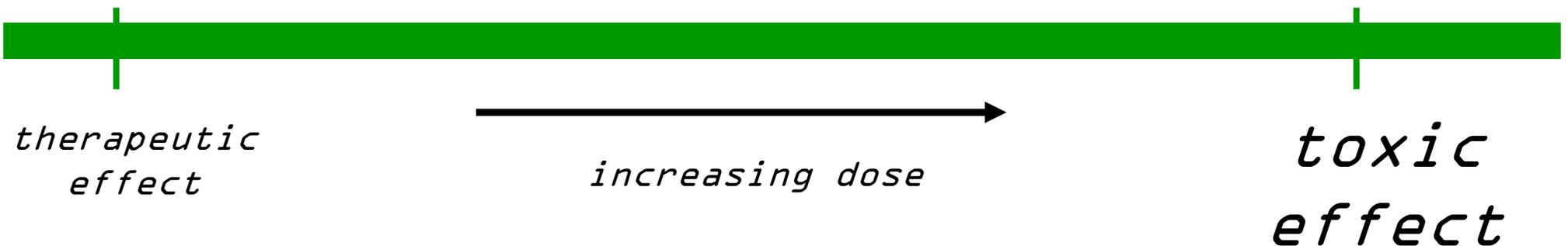
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Paracelsus

(Phillippus Aureolus Theophrastus Bombastus von Hohenheim)

1493-1541

Known as the ‘father of toxicology’. The saying “*Dosis facit venenum*” (The dose makes the poison) is attributed to him. His actual quote translates “All things are poisons, for there is nothing without poisonous qualities...it is only the dose which makes a thing poison.”



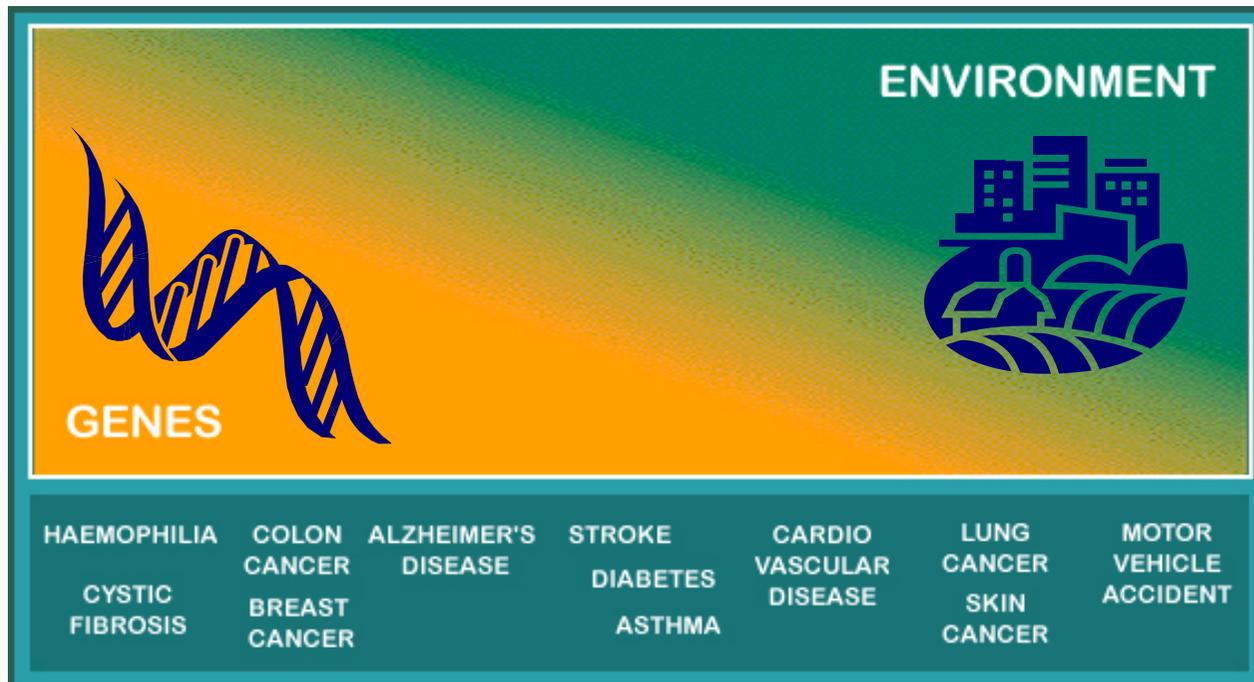
Claudius Galenus (Galen of Pergamum)

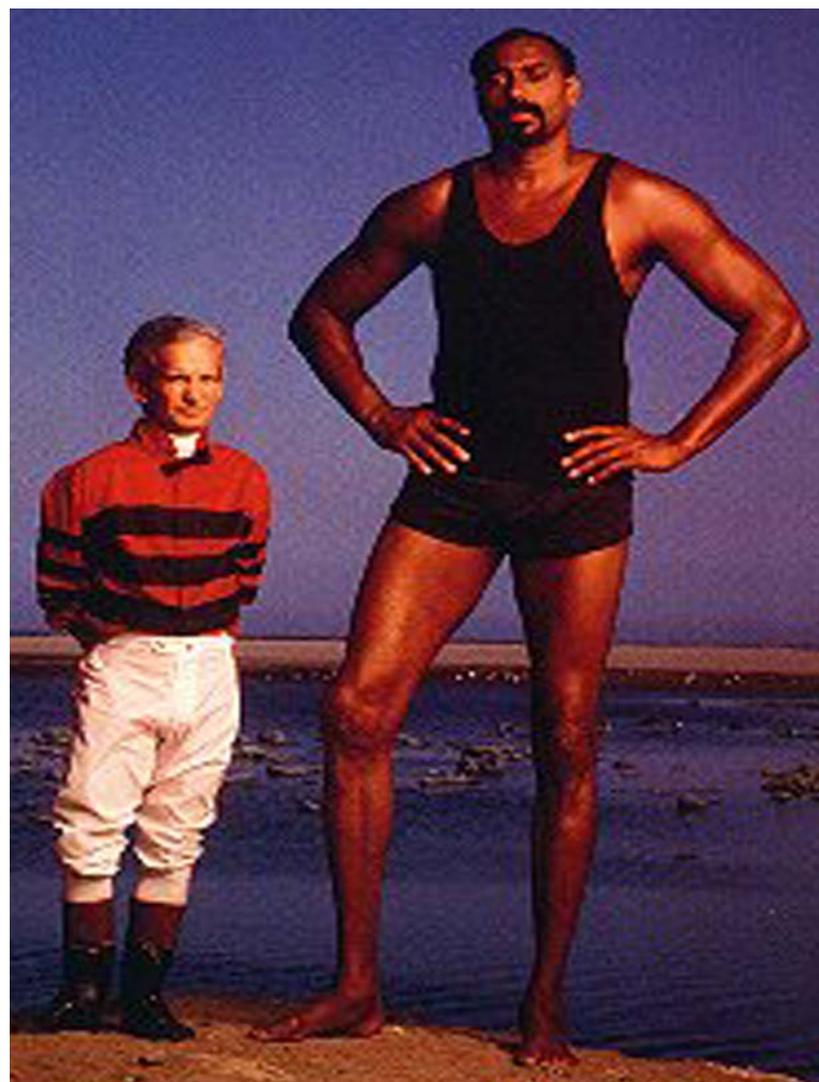
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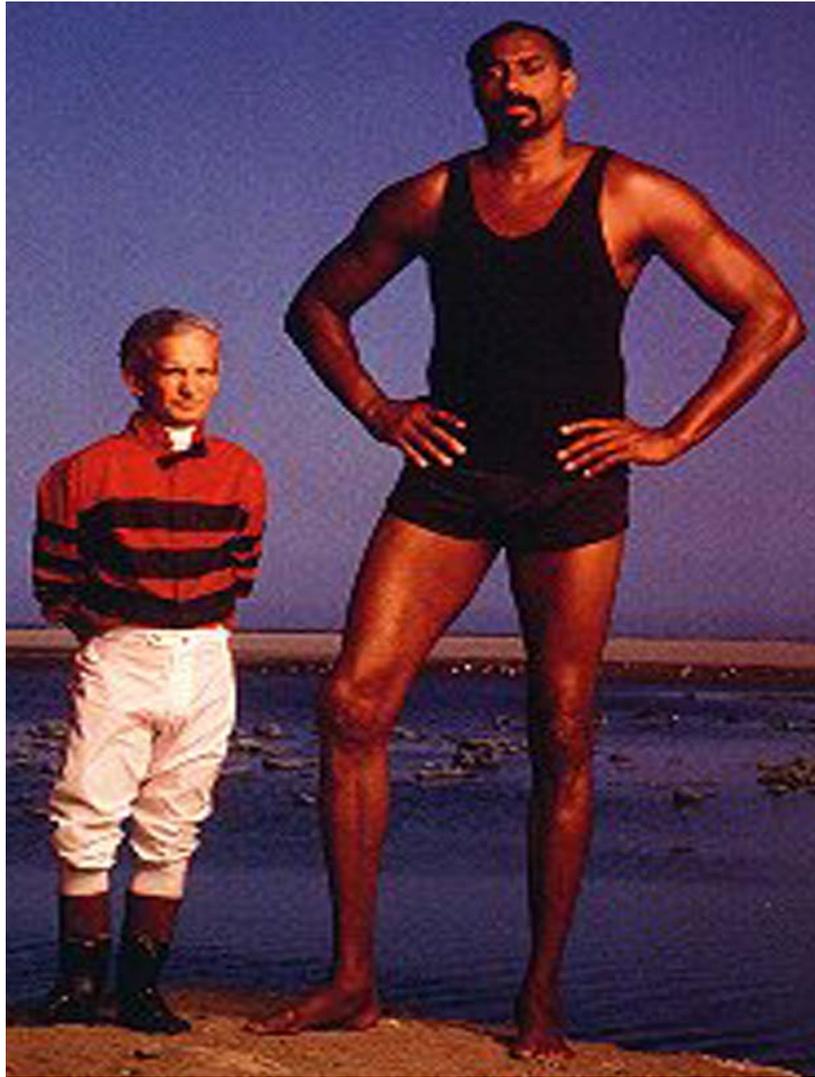
“But remember throughout that no external cause is efficient without a predisposition of the body itself. Otherwise, external causes which affect one would affect all.”



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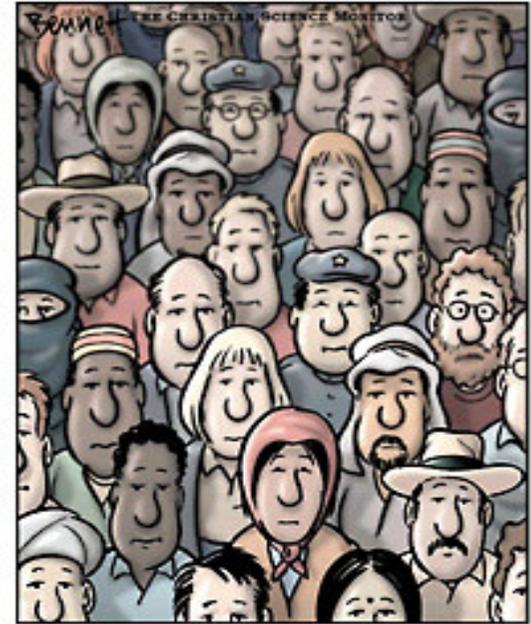




Classical Model

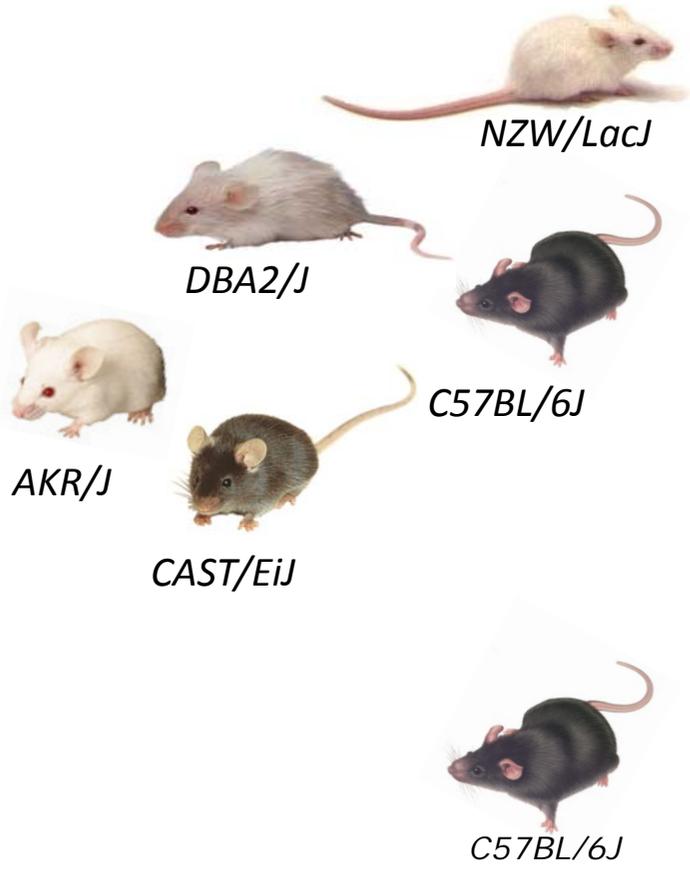


*Single genome-based
prediction*



*Genetically Diverse Human
Population*

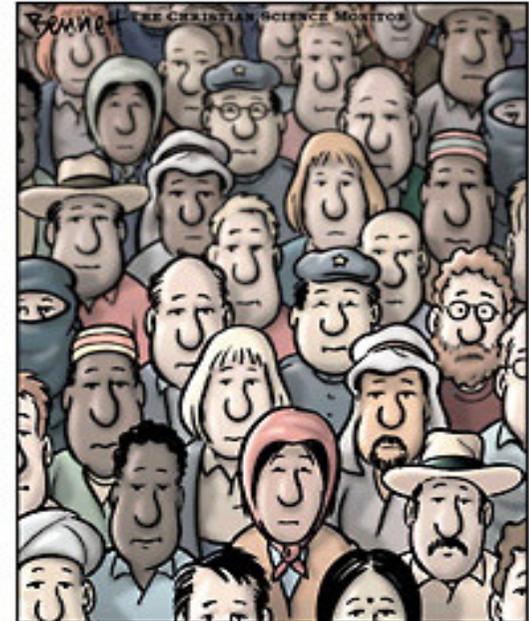
Population Model



Population-based model



Single genome-based model



Genetically Diverse Human Population

Outline

Introduction to the Collaborative Cross

Generalized genetic characteristics

Example of ethanol metabolism

Genetic dissection of complex and quantitative traits: from fantasy to reality via a community effort

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Multi-parental recombinant inbred panel

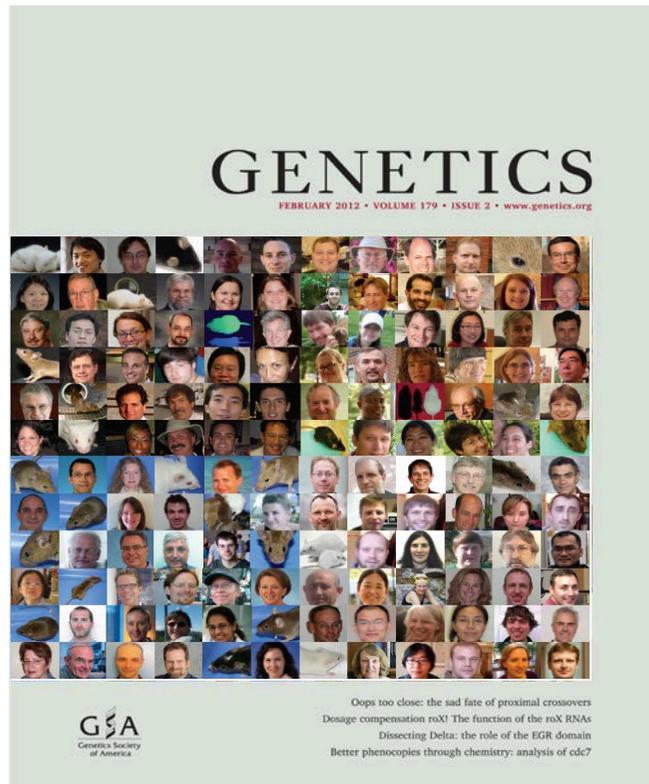
A second resource identified at the CTC organizational meeting is a second-generation recombinant inbred panel. The original RI lines were not developed with complex traits in mind (Bailey 1971). Rather, they were designed to efficiently localize Mendelian traits. With a 1,000-line advanced, multi-parental RI panel, single-gene resolution would be approached if each line archived 100 recombination sites. Such a purposely designed RI panel could serve as a new community mapping resource by combining diverse germ-plasms derived from a variety of inbred strains with the

Nature Genetics, 2004

COMMENTARY

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The Collaborative Cross, a community resource for the genetic analysis of complex traits



Genetics, 2012

Ten Years of the Collaborative Cross

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Characteristics of the Collaborative Cross Model

- *Genome-wide variation so that all components of systems are interrogated*
- *Randomization of genetic variation with no minor alleles so causative relationships can be identified*
- *Sufficiently large to power analysis of modest interactions*
- *Infinitely reproducible to support data integration and reproduction*

Factor Randomization



**R. A. Fisher, Rothamsted
Experimental Station
(1919-1933)**

1925, *Statistical Methods for
Research Workers*

1935, *The Design of Experiments*

AJAX	K OF K	NITHSDALE	GREAT SCOTT	DUKE OF YORK	S C B
GREAT SCOTT	DUKE OF YORK	ARRAN COMRADE	IRON DUKE	EPICURE	S C B
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UP TO DATE	KERR'S PINK	UP TO DATE	BRITISH QUEEN		S C B
BRITISH QUEEN	TINWALD PERFECTION	EPICURE	KERR'S PINK		S C B
KERRS PINK	UP TO DATE	IRON DUKE	AJAX		S C B
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S = SULPHATE ROW

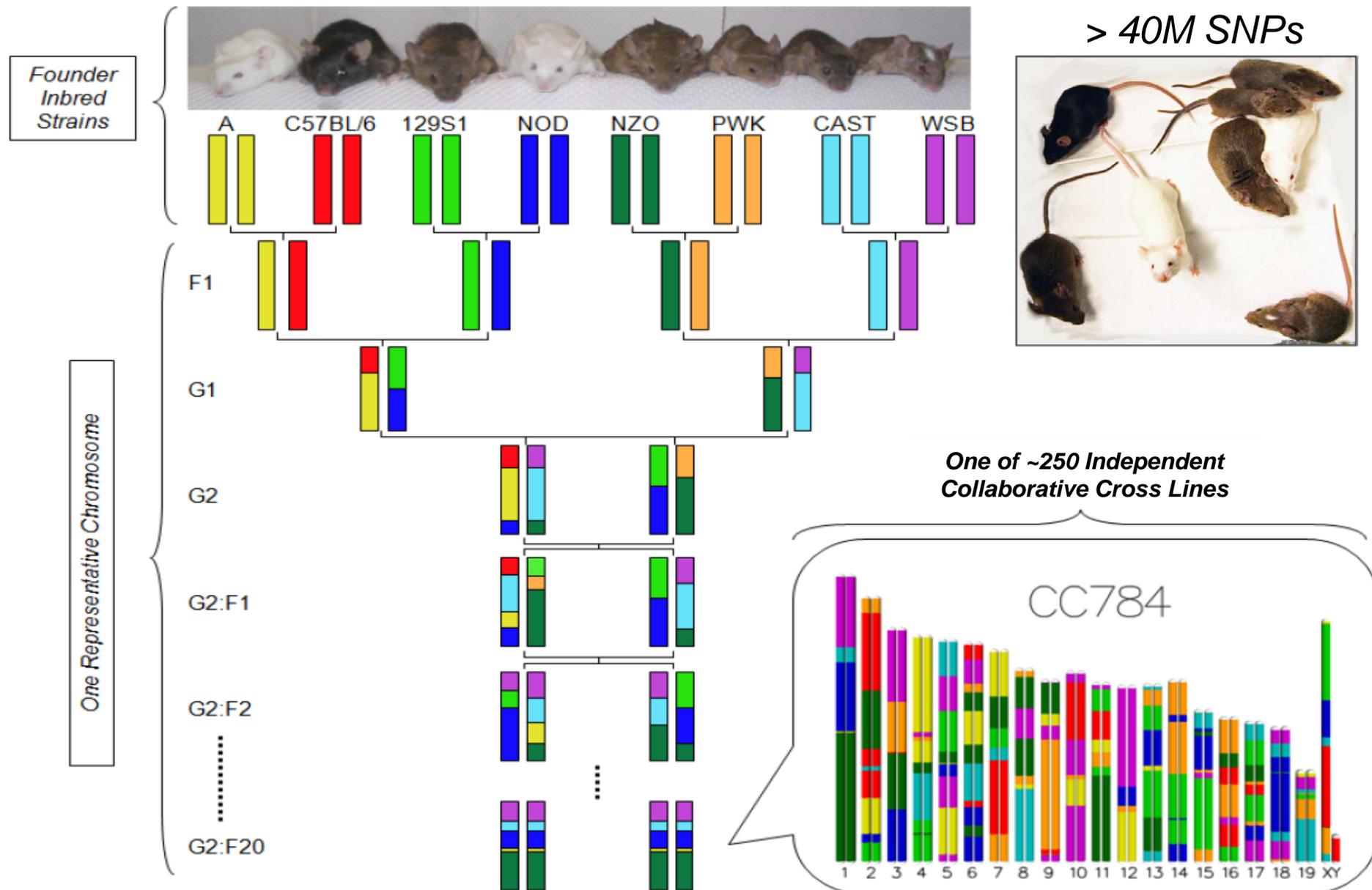
C = CHLORIDE ROW

B = BASAL ROW

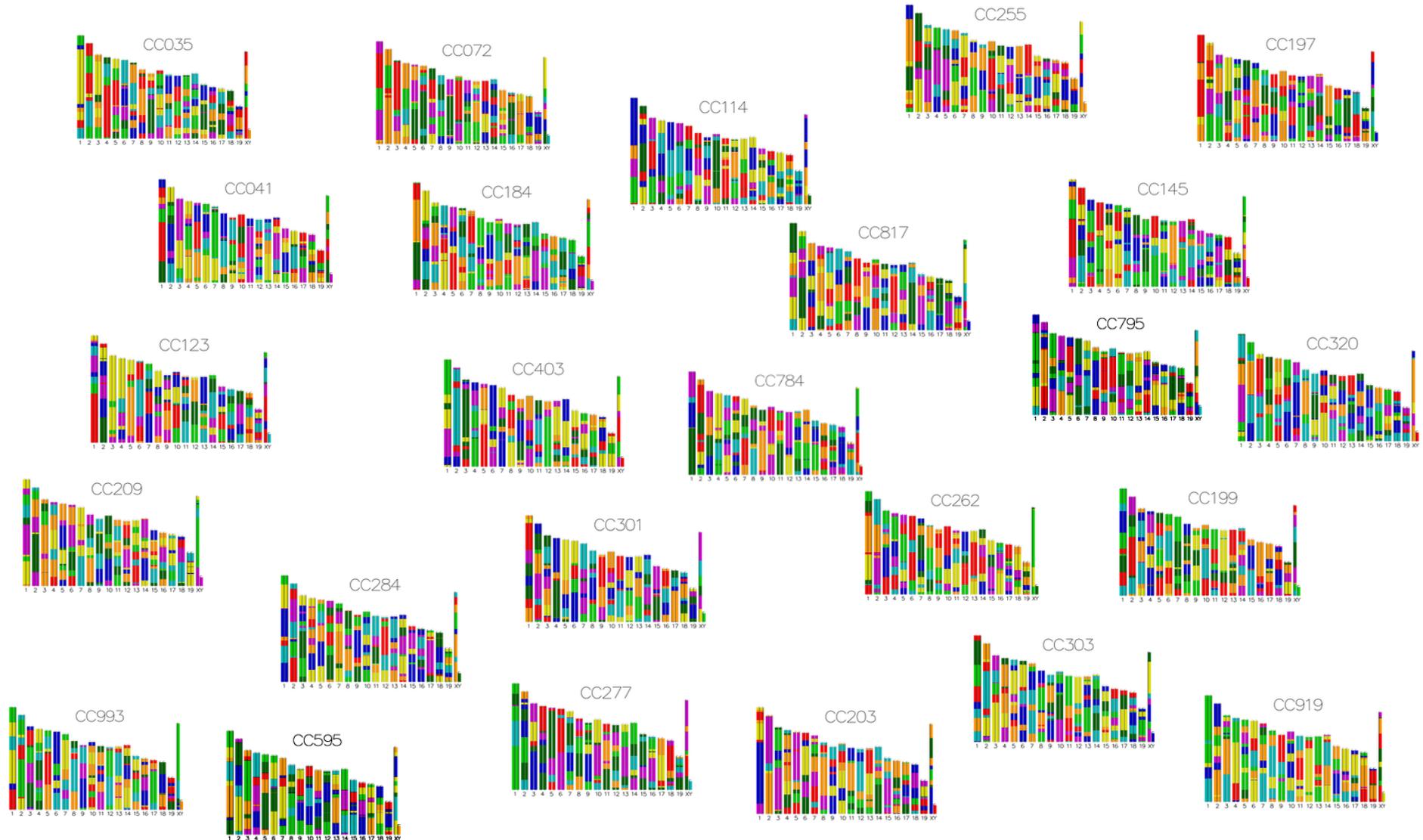
Diagram 1. Plan of experiment. Farmyard manure series.

Fisher and MacKenzie, "Studies in Crop Variation. II. The Manural Response of Different Potato Varieties," Journal of Agricultural Science 13 (1923): 311-320.

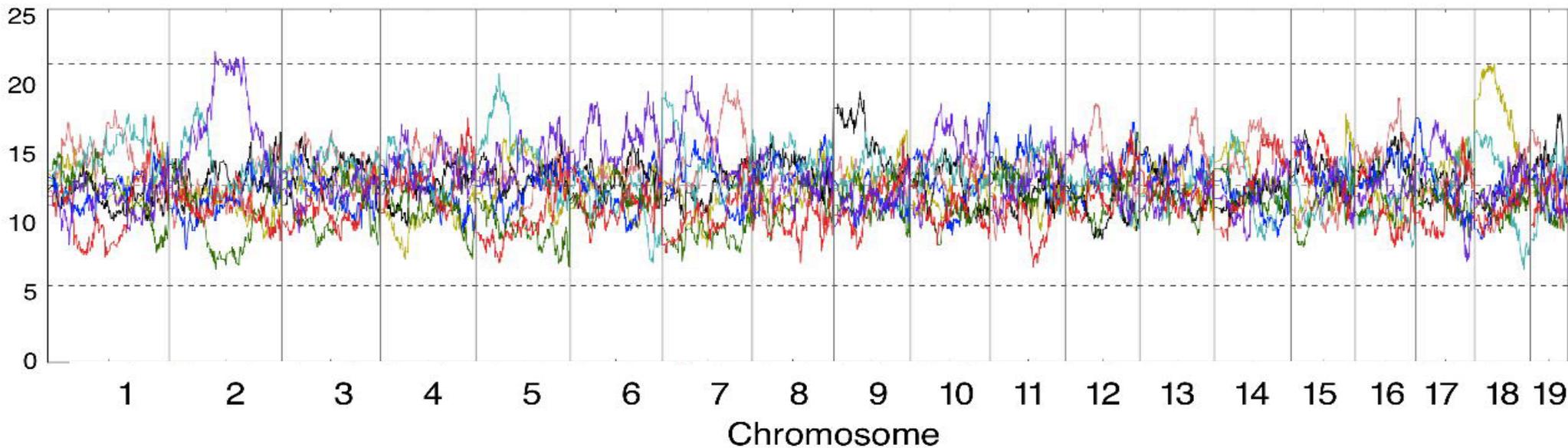
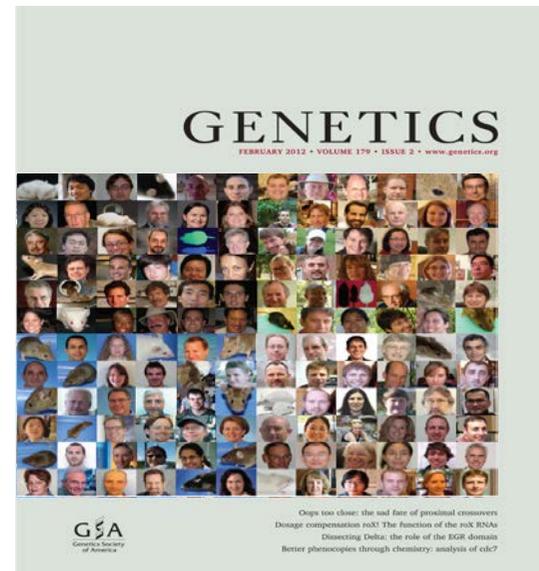
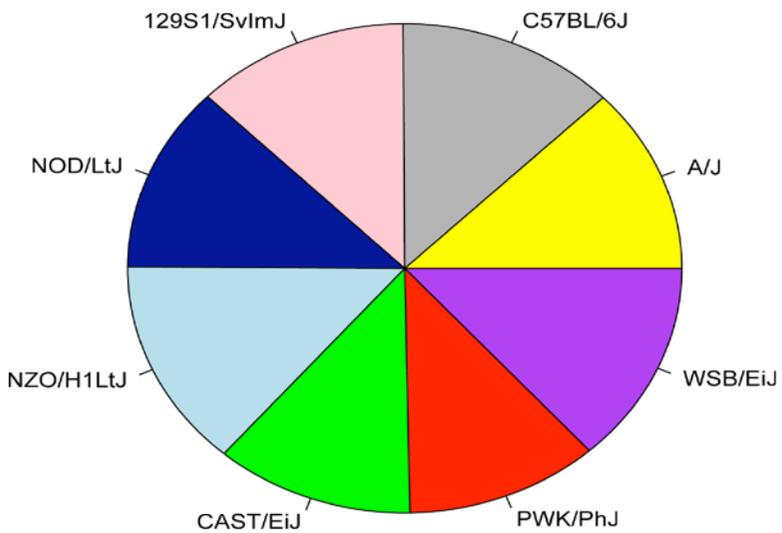
Collaborative Cross



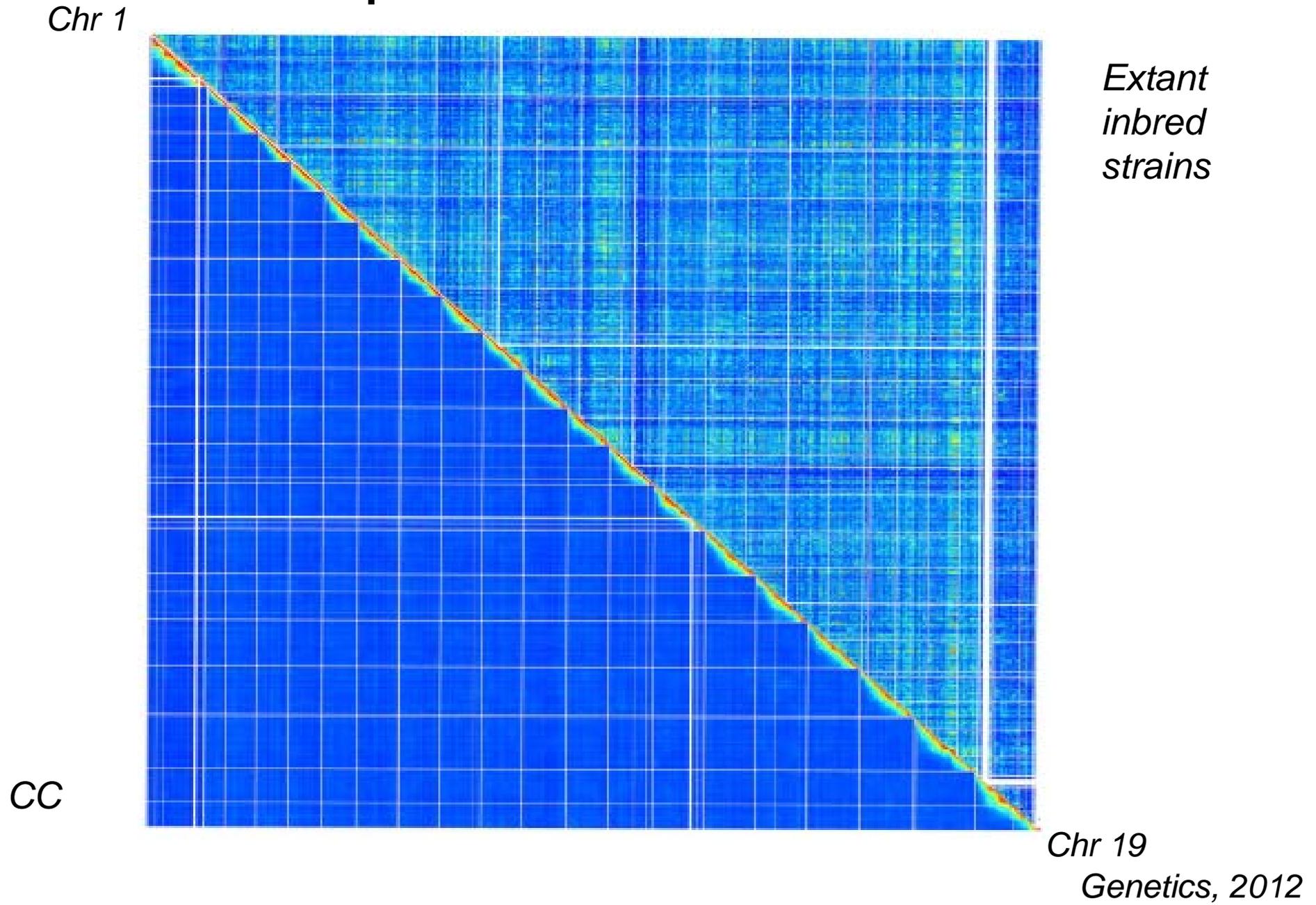
Power in Numbers



72 lines have been released to public

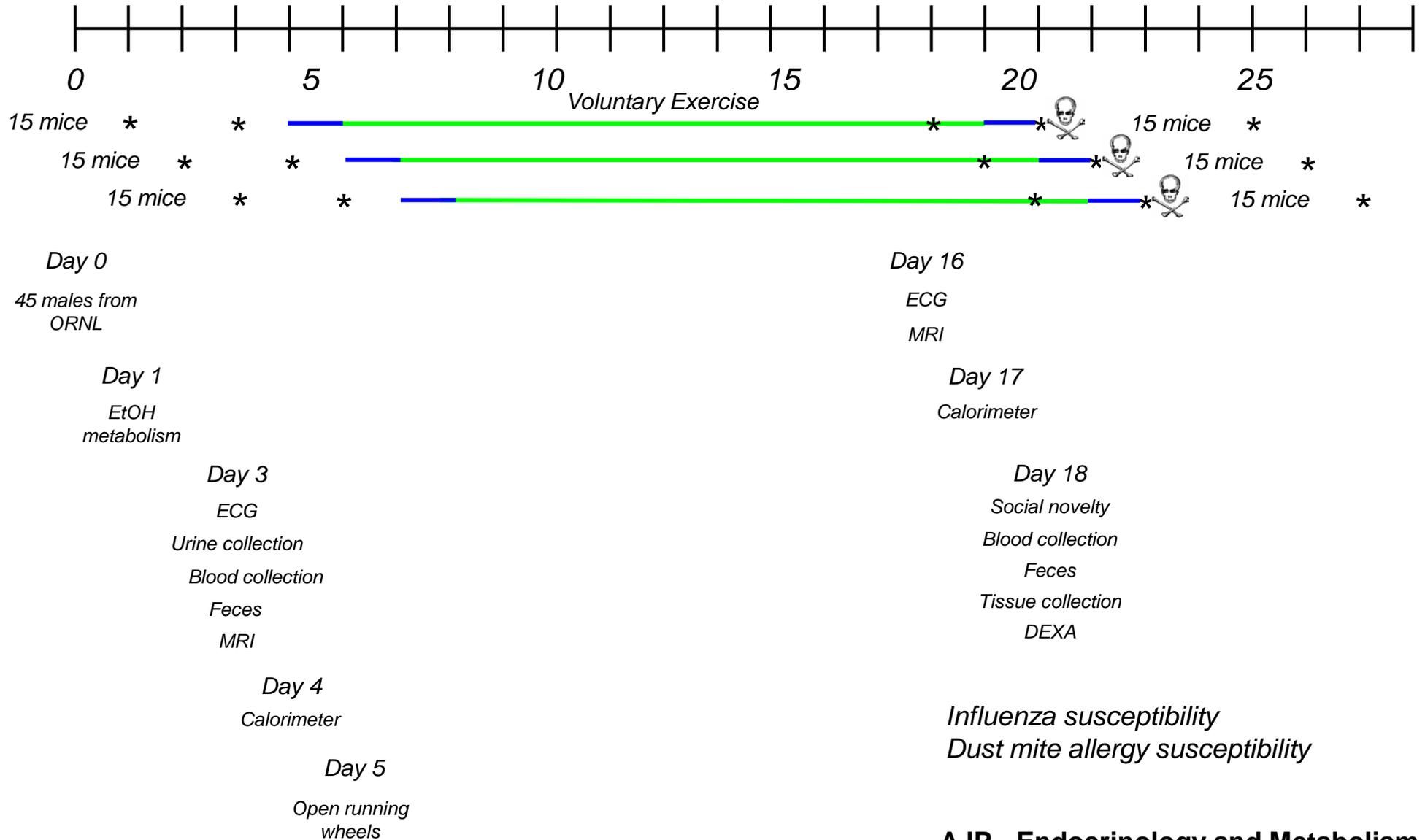


Comparison of LD Structures

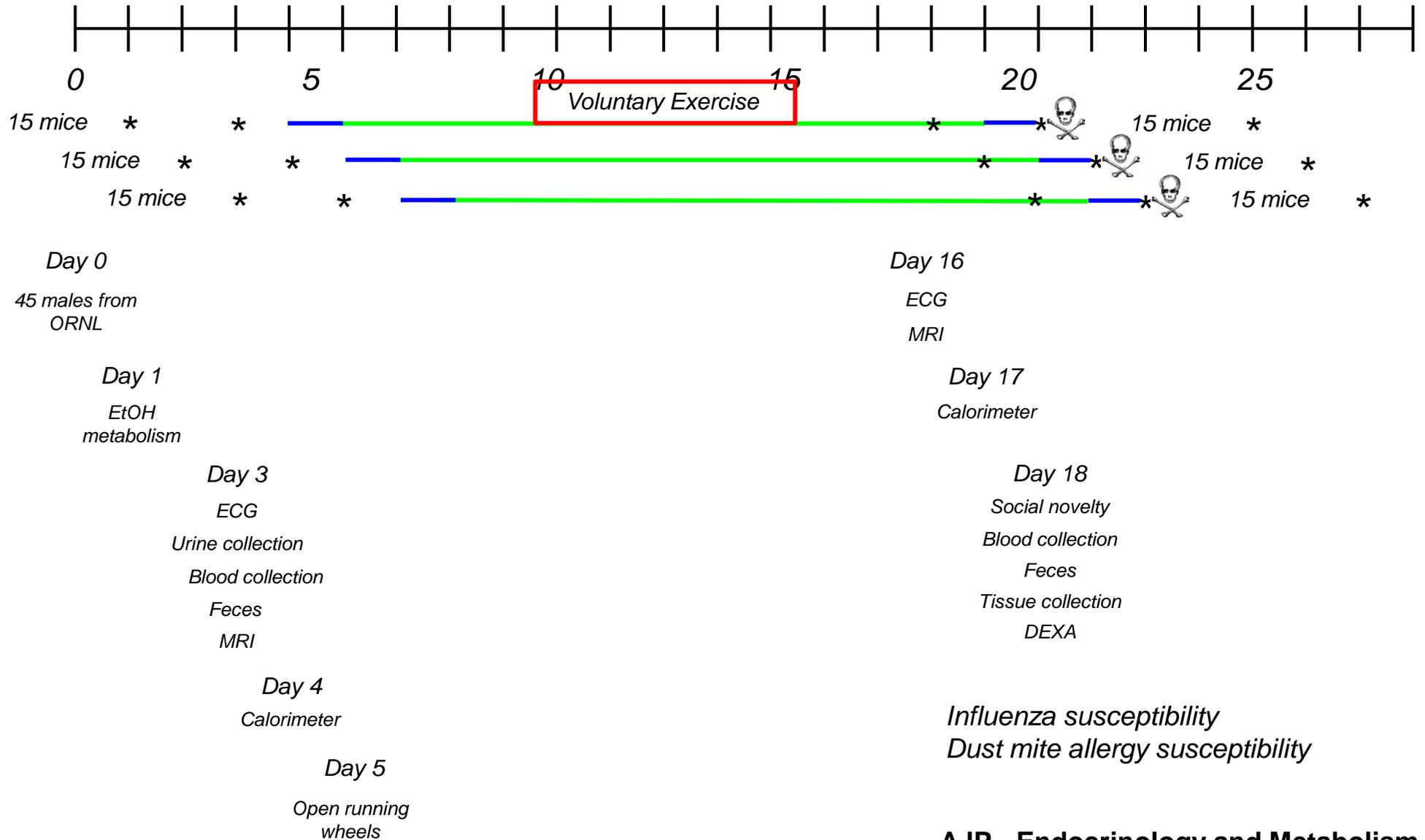




Initial Proof-of-Concept Experiment



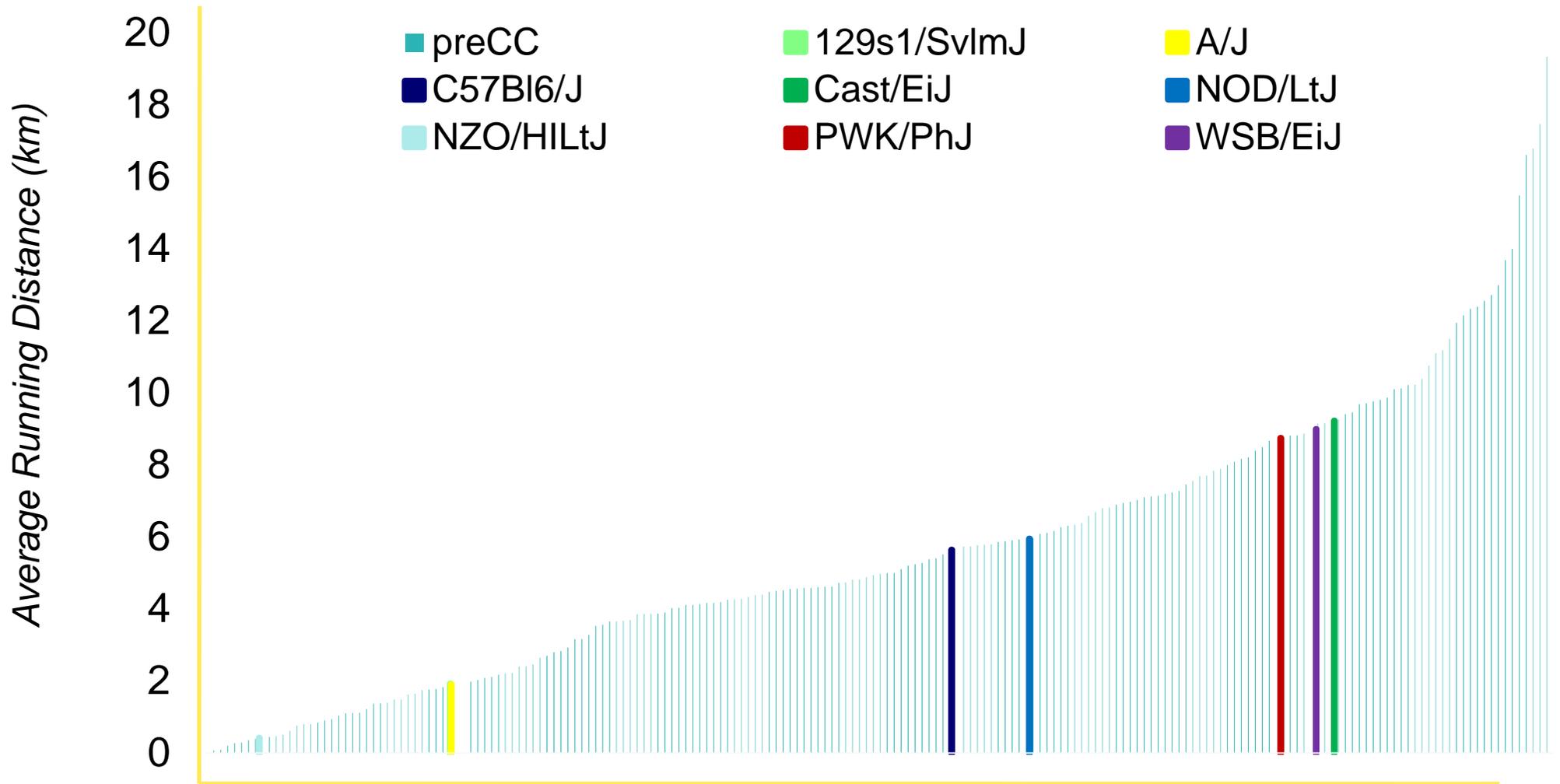
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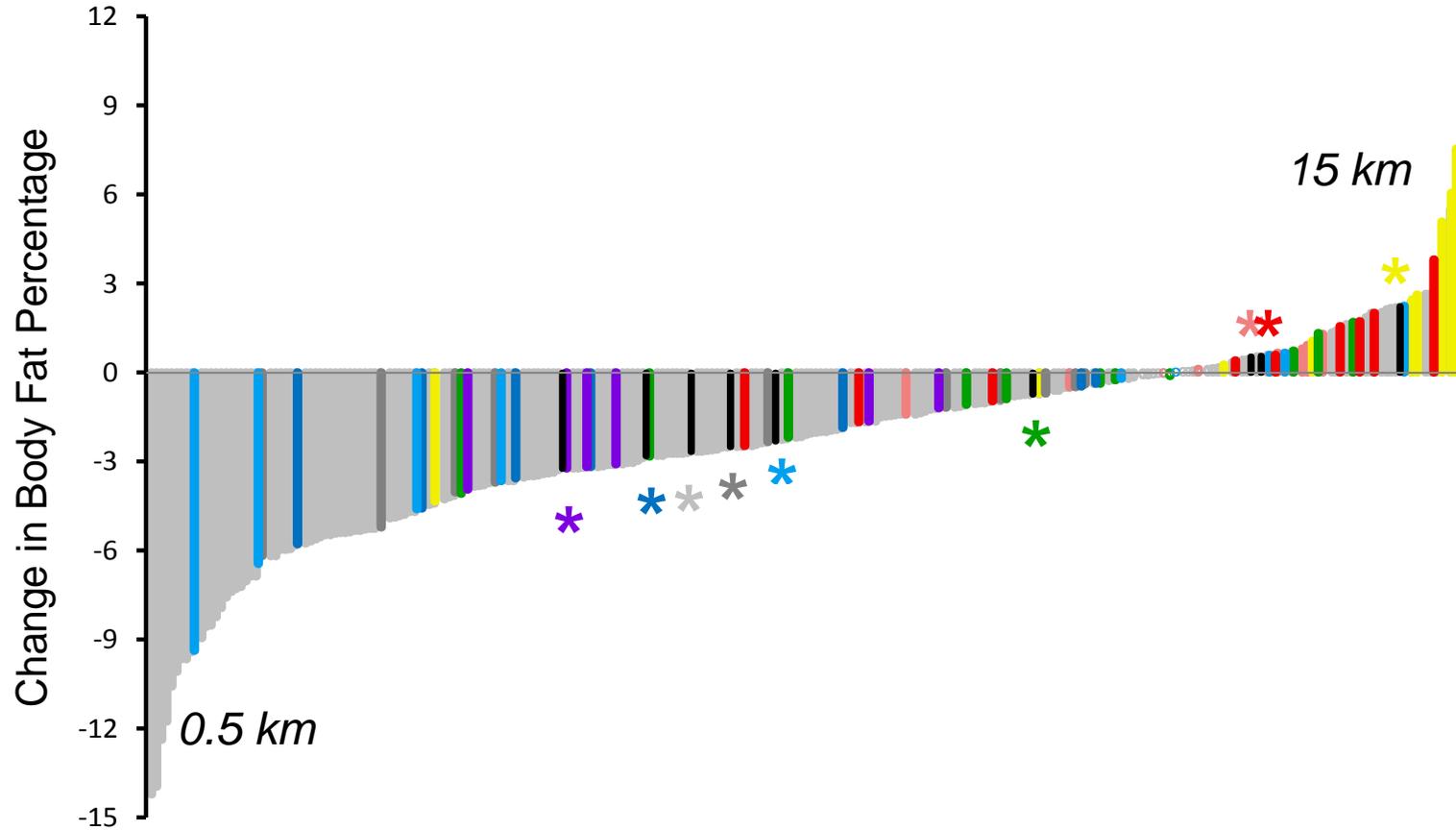
OBSERVATION 1: Extreme Transgressive Variation

Average Daily Running Distance

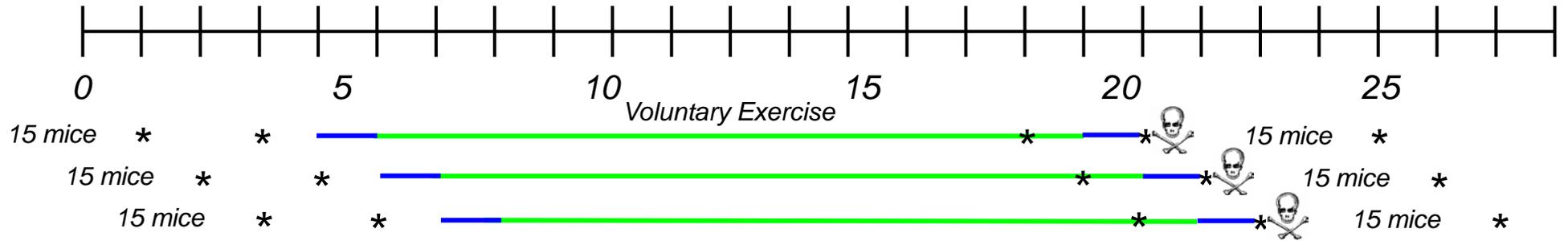


OBSERVATION 2: Disruption of Correlated Traits

Change in Body Fat Composition



Initial Proof-of-Concept Experiment



Day 0
45 males from ORNL

Day 16
ECG
MRI

Day 1
EtOH metabolism

Day 17
Calorimeter

Day 3
ECG
Urine collection
Blood collection
Feces
MRI

Day 18
Social novelty
Blood collection
Feces
Tissue collection
DEXA

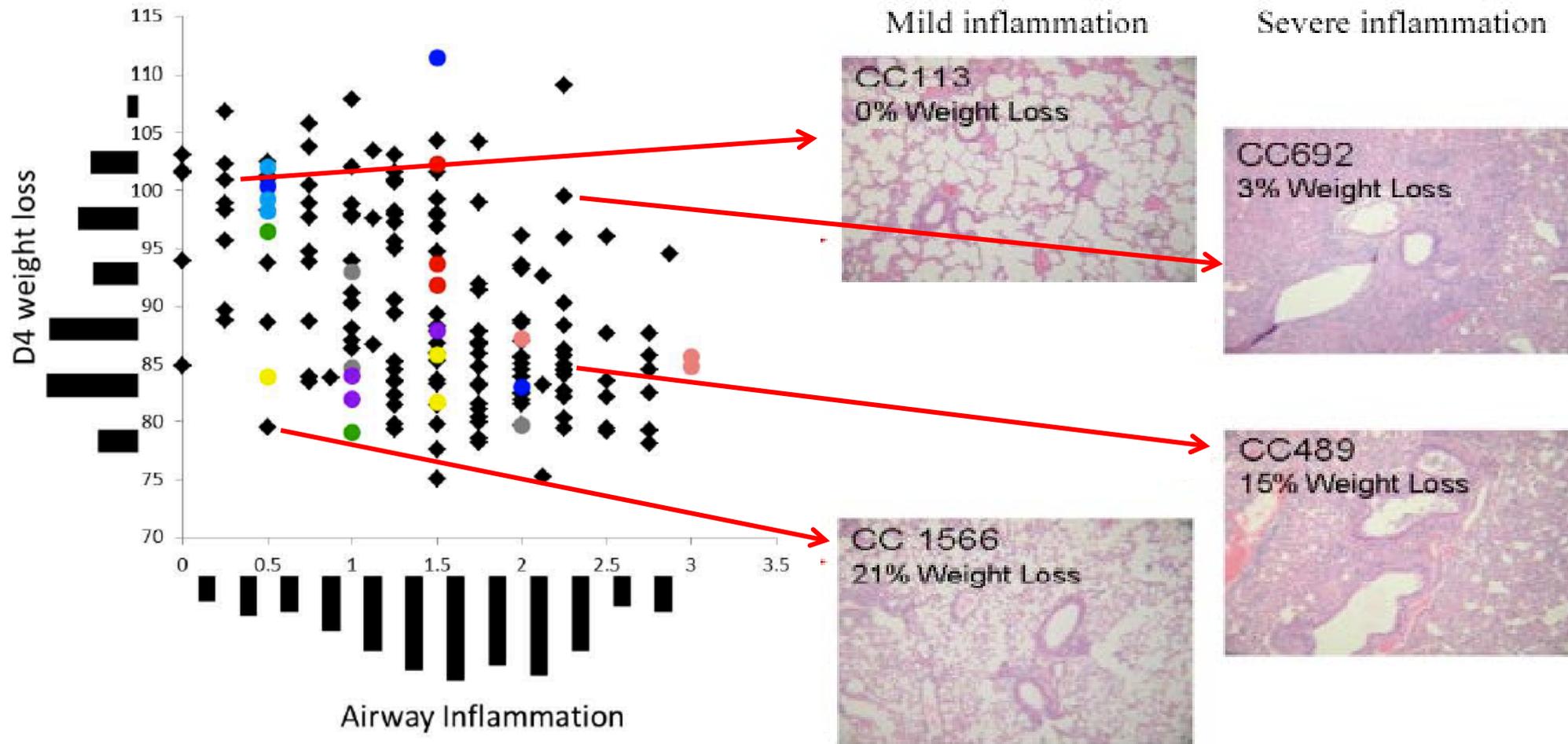
Day 4
Calorimeter

Influenza susceptibility
Dust mite allergy susceptibility

Day 5
Open running wheels

OBSERVATION 2: Disruption of Correlated Traits

Influenza Infection (A/PR/8)



OBSERVATION 3: Emergent Properties

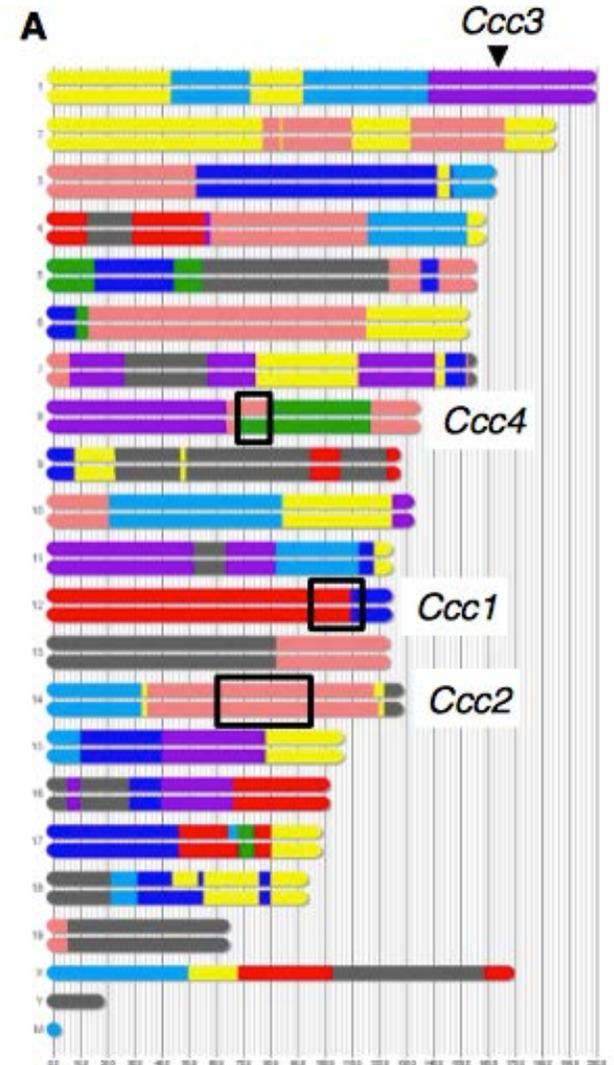
Spontaneous Colitis



The Collaborative Cross as a Resource for Modeling Human Disease: CC011/Unc, a New Mouse Model for Spontaneous Colitis

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Mammalian Genome 25: 95-108, 2014



OBSERVATION 4: Models Human Phenotypic Distribution *Ebola Infection*

Science

EBOLA MOUSE MODEL

Host genetic diversity enables Ebola hemorrhagic fever pathogenesis and resistance

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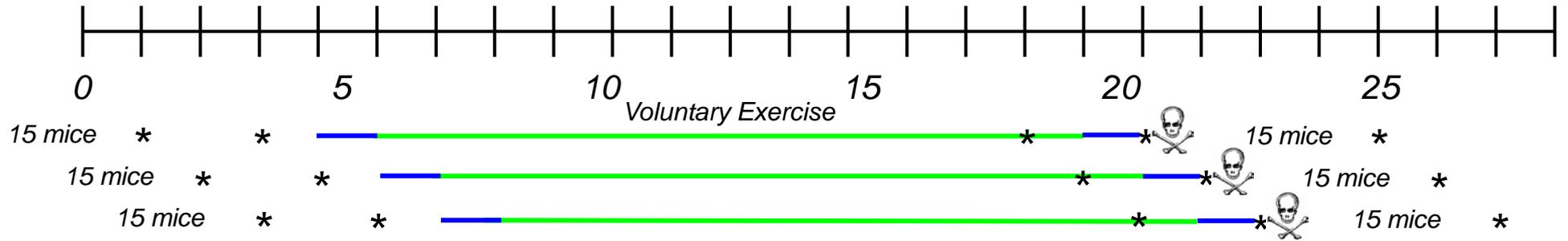
Science 346: 987-991, 2014

- Resistant
- Partially Resistant
- Lethal
- Lethal with hepatitis
- Lethal with severe coagulopathy



% CC mouse lines with different responses

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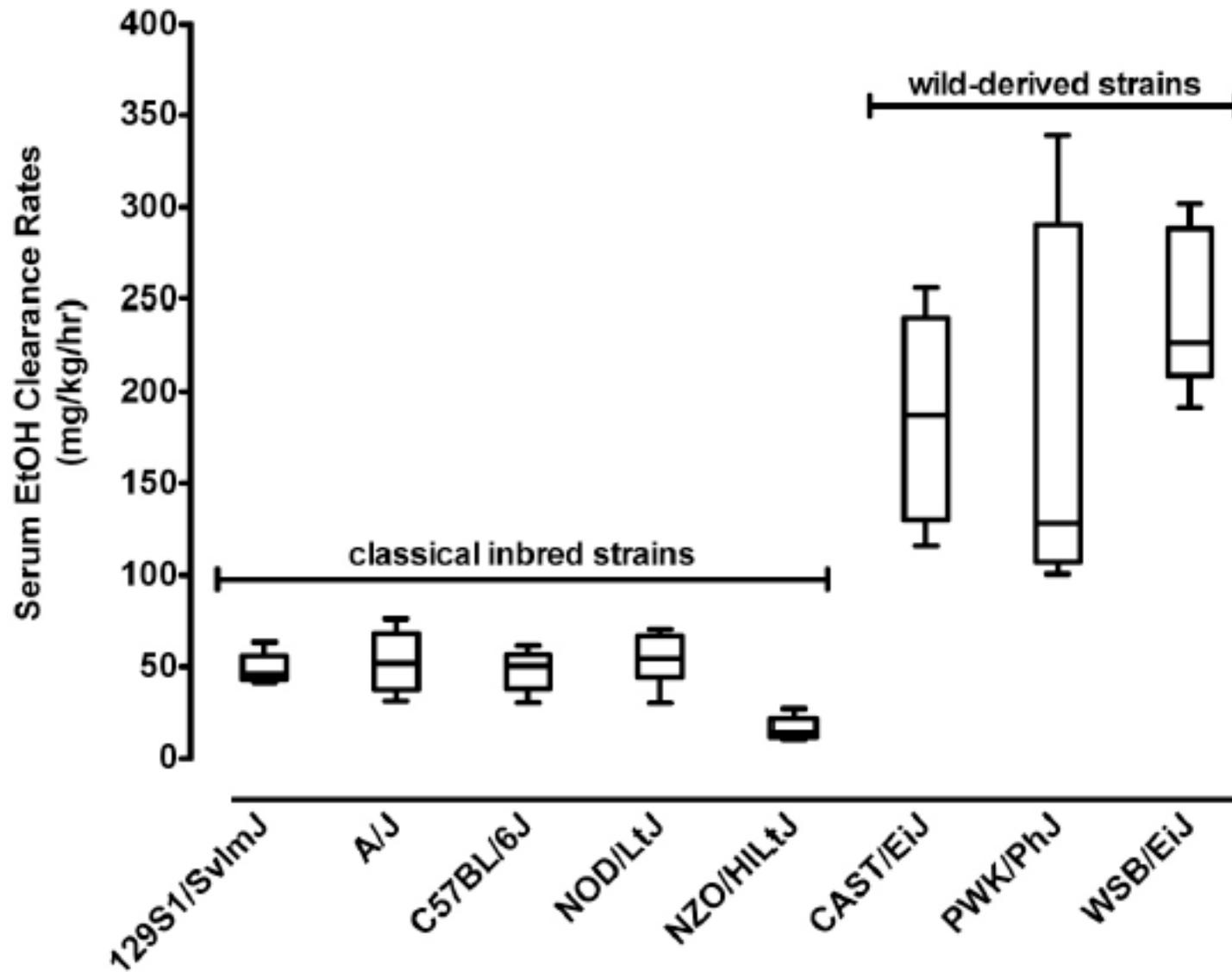
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Day 4
Calorimeter

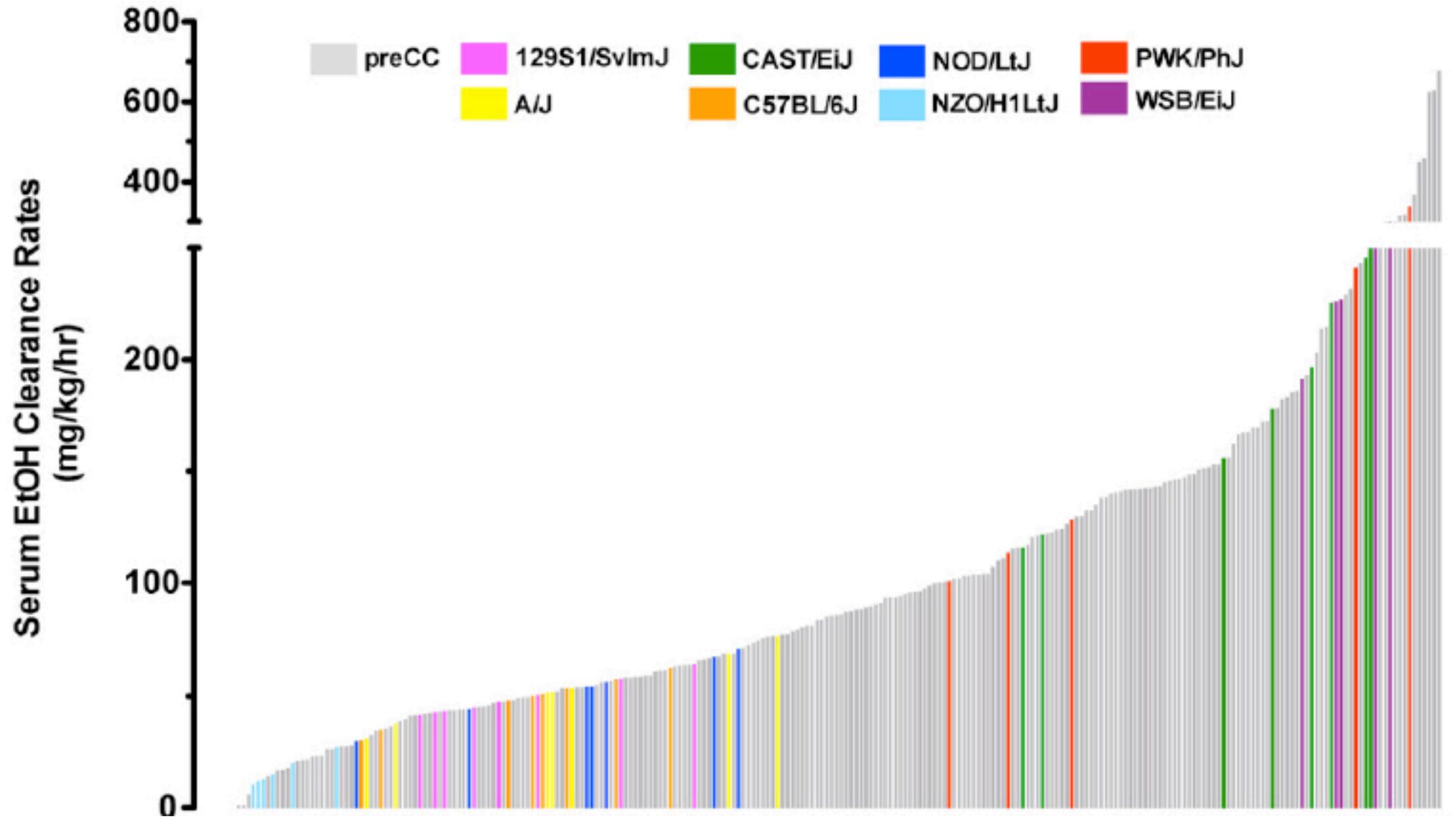
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Day 5
Open running wheels

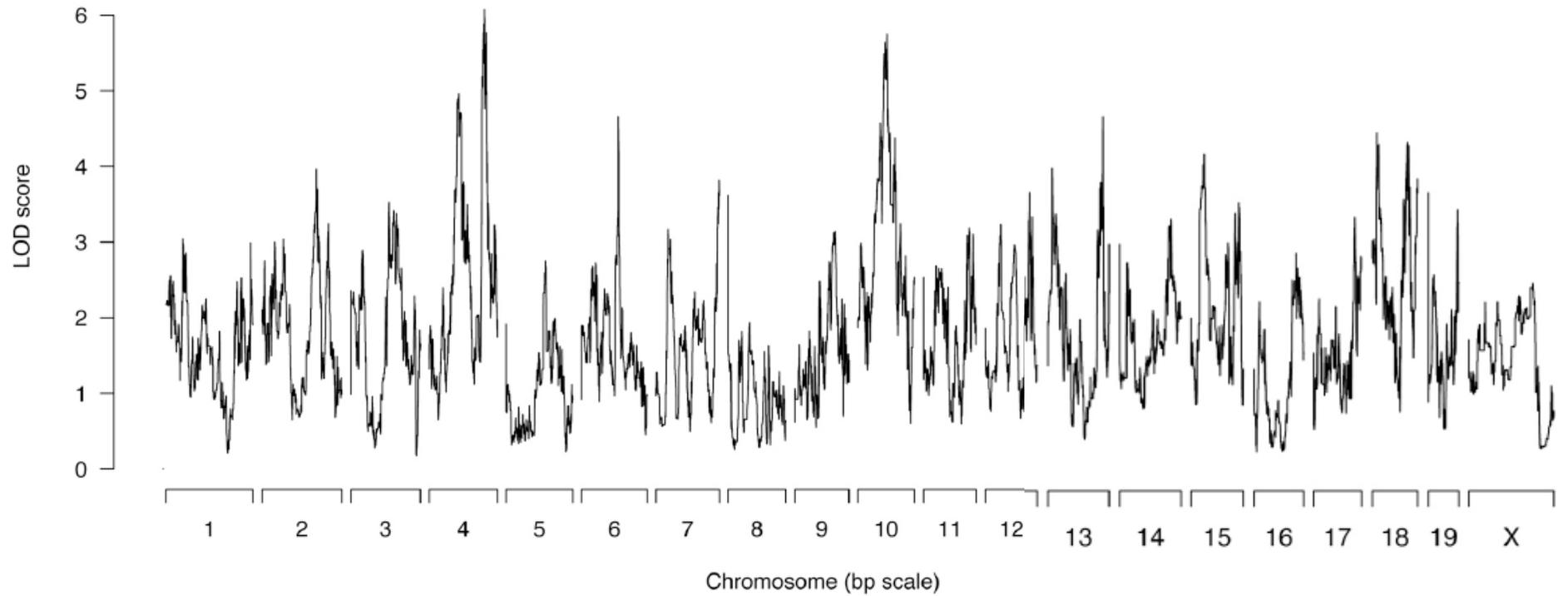
EtOH Clearance Rate



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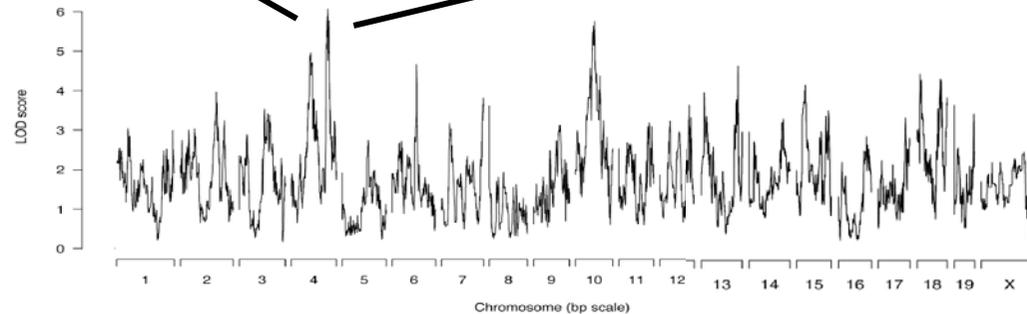
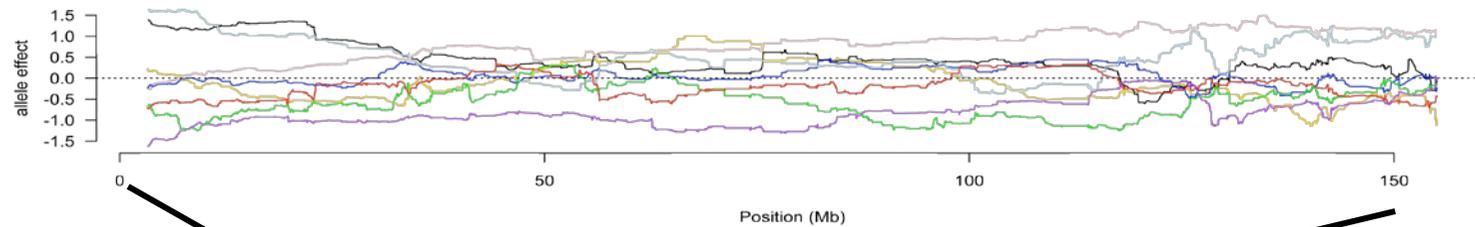
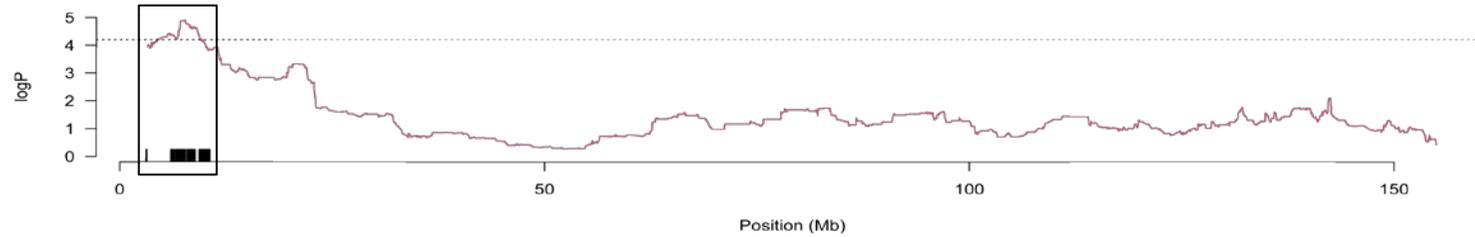
Genetic Analysis of EtOH Clearance Rate



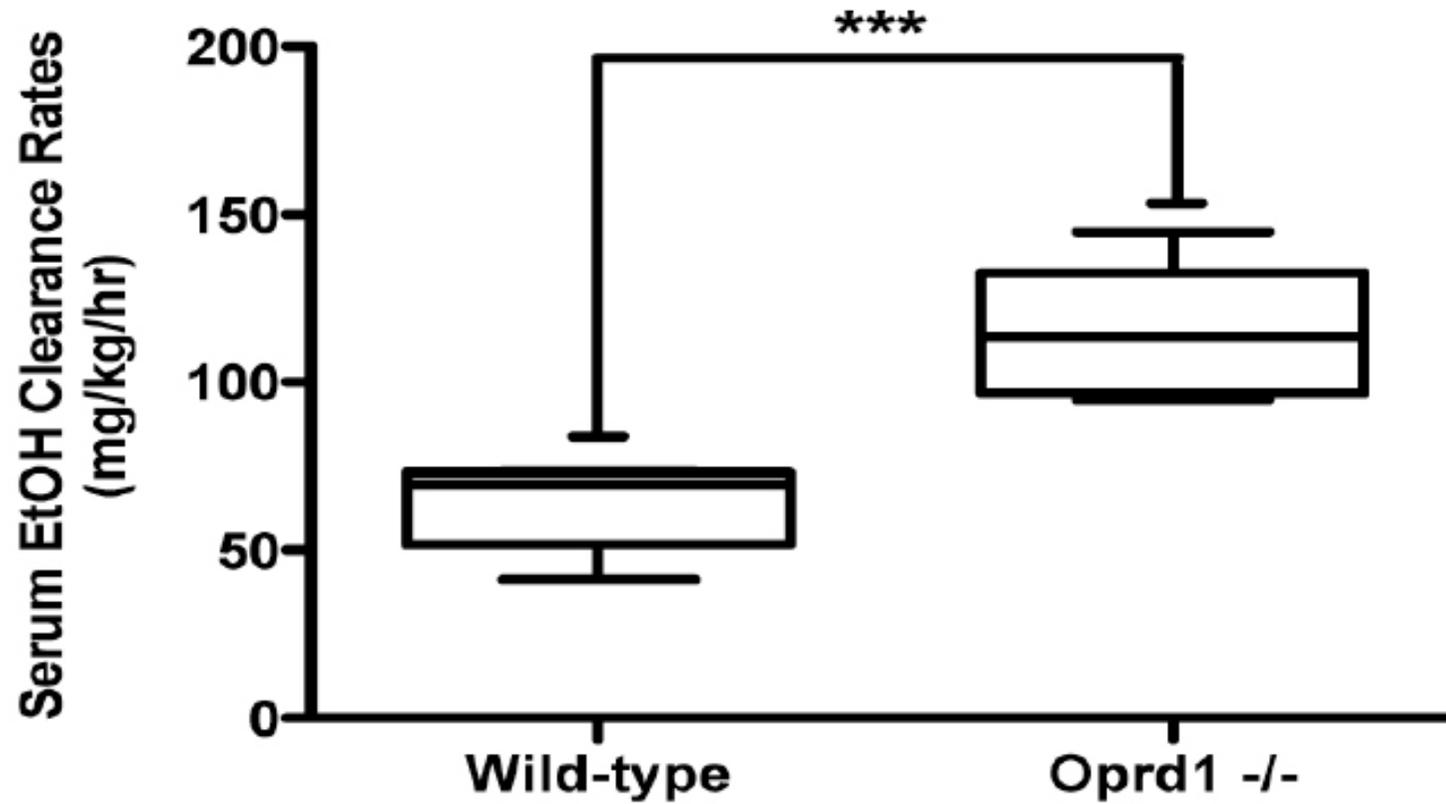
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Increasing Resolution with Allele Effect Plots

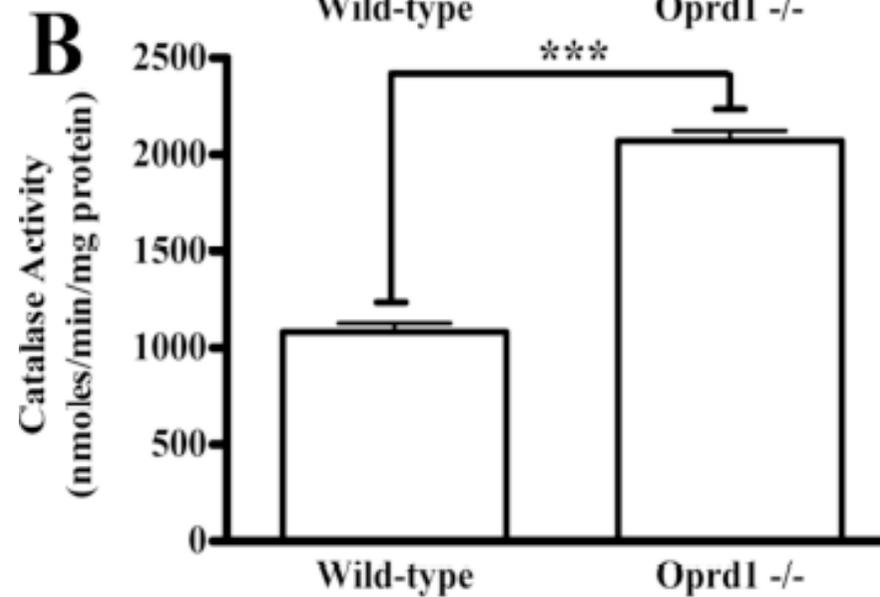
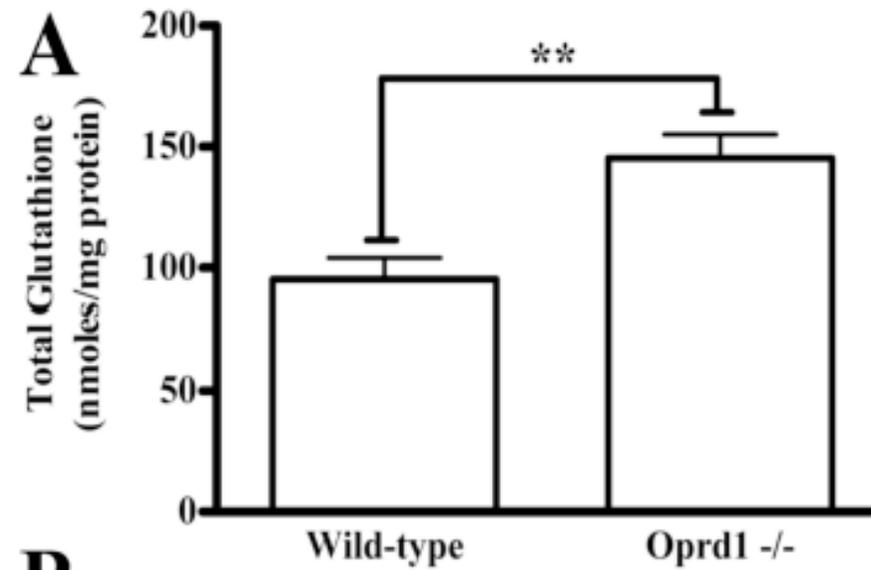
Oprd1
opioid receptor, delta 1



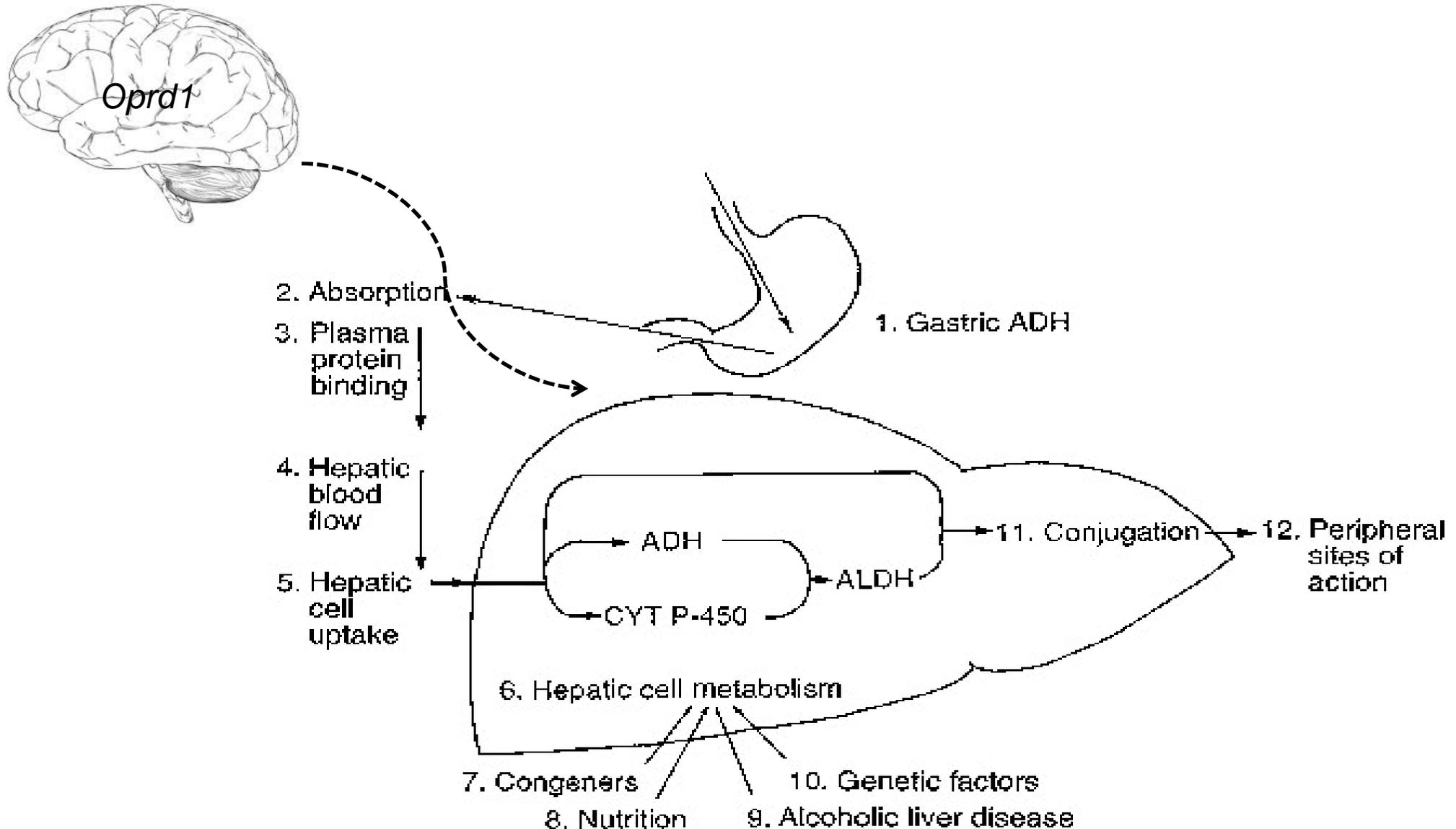
Confirmation of *Oprd1* with Naltrindole



Effect of *Oprd1* on Liver Activity



CNS Control of Ethanol Clearance?



Summary: Novel Models

Extreme transgressive variation

Disruption of correlated phenotypes

Emergent disease models

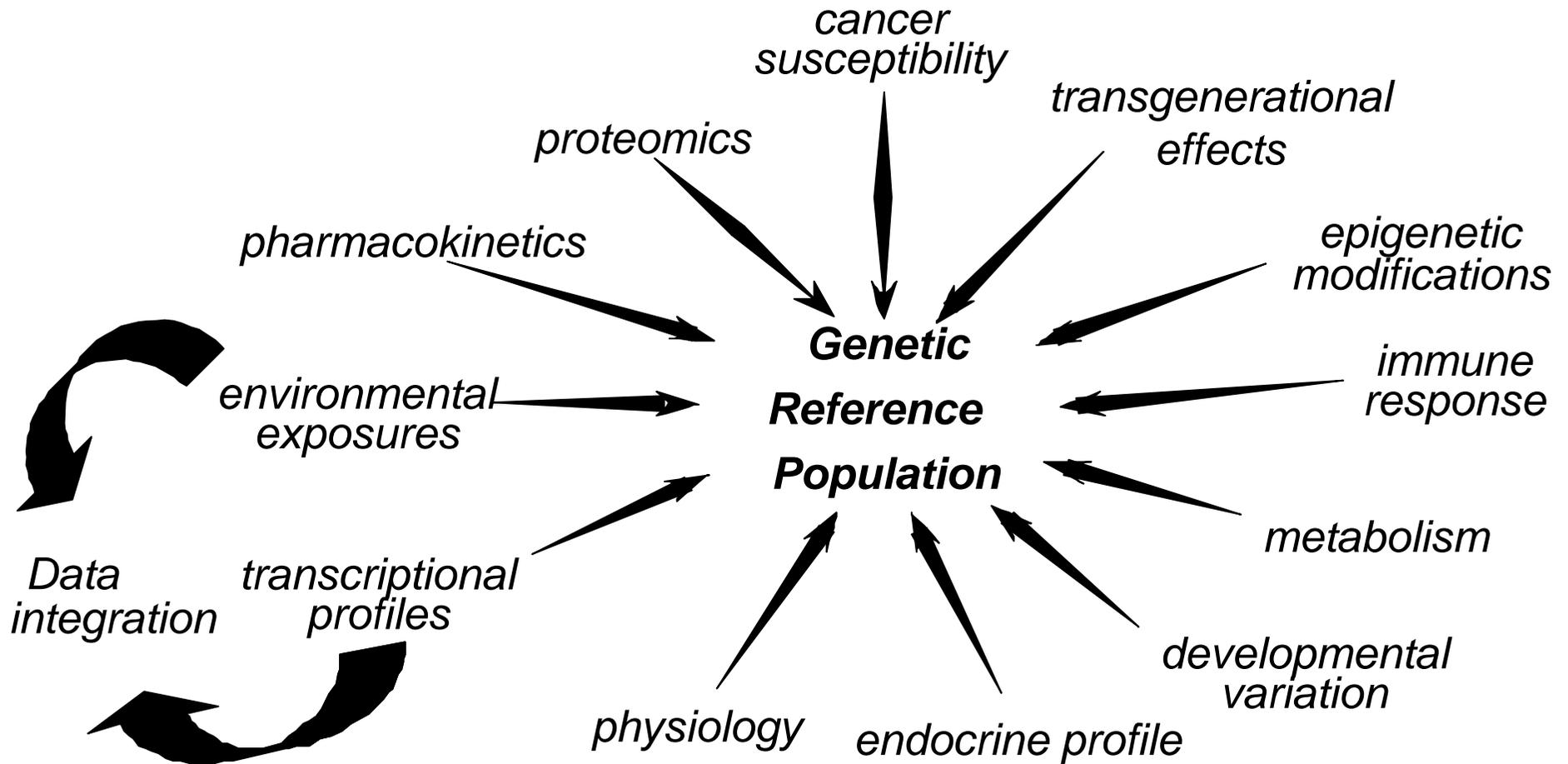
Models human phenotypic distribution

Expanding Uses of the CC

QTL mapping: when combined with Diversity Outbred (DO) model derived from CC, fine mapping is now possible at close to single gene resolution. Question of power for highly polygenic traits is still open. Likely only appropriate for oligogenic traits.

Functional validation/context analysis: reverse translation of GWAS or other findings to understand function and context.

Systems integration: interrogation across phenotypes (molecular and physiological) to understand biological wiring. Requires far fewer lines than QTL mapping since causative drivers of systems are not the goal. More appropriate for polygenic traits.



Data integration over SPACE and TIME by anchoring to a genetic reference population

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