

SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

Ethics

The study was approved by the Hospital Clínico Universitario de Valencia Ethics Committee (2018/063, 2021/083). All patients provided written informed consent for the collection of fresh tissues and clinical data. The study followed all approved protocols and procedure and was conducted in compliance with the Declaration of Helsinki.

Tissue processing and organoid culture

Fresh tissues were collected in PBS with penicillin/streptomycin and quickly processed as previously published[9]. Briefly, tissue samples were minced into small fragments. Some were stored for DNA and RNA extraction depending on the total amount of tissue. All the remaining fragments were mechanically and enzymatically digested with a collagenase-based solution (Sigma- Aldrich, cat. No. 269395) until reaching single cells. These were resuspended in basal media with 50% reduced-growth factor basement membrane matrix (BME Type 2, R&D, cat. No. 3533-010-002) and plated in prewarmed culture plates in complete medium with the following composition: 1x N2 (cat.no. 17502048), 1x B27 (cat.no. C21-H), 1mM N-acetyl L-cysteine (cat.no. A9165), 10 mM nicotinamide (cat.no. N0636), 50 ng/mL hr-EGF (cat.no. BMS320), 100 ng/mL hr-noggin (cat.no. 6057-NG-025), 0.5 μ M A-83-01 (cat.no. SML0788), 10 μ M SB202190 (cat.no. S7067), 10 nM gastrin (cat.no. G9145), 500 ng/mL hr-RSPO1 (cat.no. 4645- RS), 10 ng/mL hr-FGF10 (cat.no. 100-26), 10 nM PGE2 (cat.no. P6532), 10 μ M Y-27632 (cat.no. Y0503). After reaching the appropriate volume, organoids were trypsinized with TrypLE™ Express (Life Technologies, cat. No. 12605-010) to expand them. Aliquots were stored in liquid nitrogen to constitute a biobank. Supplementary table S2 shows the main features of the organoids models employed in this paper and the kind of analysis performed for each one.

Copy number analysis

Fresh tissues and PDOs DNA were extracted with the QIAamp DNA Micro Kit (Qiagen, cat. No. 56304). Cytoscan HD for whole genome copy number variation was performed according to manufacturer protocol in the Multigenic Analysis Service (UCIM), Faculty of Medicine, Valencia. Briefly, between 80 and 500 ng of integer genomic DNA was digested and ligated. Amplicons were generated by performing PCR using primers provided by the manufacturer (Affymetrix, CA) using the following program: 94°C for 3 min, then 35 cycles of 94°C 30 sec, 60°C for 45 sec and 65°C for 1 min. This was followed by extension at 68°C for 7 min. The PCR products were then purified and digested with DNAaseI for 35 min at 37°C to fragment the amplified DNA. The fragmented DNA was then labeled with biotinylated nucleotides through terminal deoxynucleotide transferase for 4 hours at 37°C. Fragmented DNA was hybridized with a pre-equilibrated Affymetrix chip Cytoscan HD chip at 50°C for 18 hours. CytoscanHD chips washing and scanning followed the procedures of the Affymetrix Inc. manuals. CEL files were generated from AGCC software from Affymetrix, Inc. (Santa Clara, CA).

CytoScan HD CEL files were processed through Chromosome Analysis Suite (ChAS) software version 4.1 with a single sample algorithm. All samples were manually reviewed, and unbalanced samples were reprocessed with normal diploid algorithm. Obtained Chyp files were analyzed with ChAS and IGV software v. 3.0. Copy number data were retrieved for further analysis.

CIN status determination

Weighted Genome Instability Index (wGII) was calculated as published elsewhere[10]. Briefly, genomic co-ordinates of all gain and lost regions were retrieved from ChAS software for each sample. Co-ordinates were manually reviewed to exclude overlap between regions. The total of copy number alterations (CNA) in terms of base pair (bp) was calculated and normalized for chromosome length and wGII expressed as median CNA across the genome. wGII correlation between PDOs and matched fresh tissue was conducted with linear regression analysis. All the calculations were conducted in RStudio.

Hematoxylin and eosin staining

As previously described [9], PDOs domes were collected in 4% neutral buffered formalin and paraffin embedded. 4 μ m slides were cut, dewaxed and hematoxylin and eosin (Dako, cat. No. CS700 and CS701) staining was performed. Mitotic figures count has been performed by an expert pathologist.

RNA-Sequencing (RNA-seq)

As previously published [9], total RNA was extracted from fresh tissues and PDOs with RNeasy Micro Kit (cat. no. 74004) and integrity verified with TapeStation RNA Analysis ScreenTape (Agilent Technologies). Sequencing libraries were prepared with the NEBNext® Ultra (TM) II Directional RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina® Module (New England BioLabs) and NEBNext Poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Module for mRNA enrichment following the manufacturer's instructions. Libraries were paired end sequenced in an Illumina NextSeq 550 platform with a NextSeq 500/550 High Output 300 cycles kit.

Proteomics analysis by LC-MS/MS-SWATH

Sample preparation

As previously described [9], PDO pellets were lysed in UTC buffer (8M urea, 2M thiourea and 4% CHAPS) and the protein concentration measured with the RC DC Protein Assay (Bio-Rad). A pooled sample containing 5 μ g of protein from each sample was used to prepare the peptide library. For the SWATH analysis, 20 μ g of protein from each sample were used. Samples were denatured at 95 °C for 5 min in sample buffer and subjected to sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE). Pooled samples were resolved in gel and lanes were cut into five pieces. Gels containing individual samples were not resolved and whole samples were sliced into a single piece. Protein digestion and subsequent analysis were performed as published elsewhere (Pinheiro et al., 2020) at the Proteomics Service (SCSIE) of the University of Valencia.

LC-MS/MS

Spectral peptide library was obtained by liquid chromatography and tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) analysis, operating the instrument in a data-dependent acquisition mode. Peptide mixtures were loaded onto a trap column (3 μ C18-CL, 350 μ m x 0.5mm; Eksigent) and desalted with 0.1 % TFA at 5 μ L/min for 5 min. Peptides were then loaded onto an analytical column (3 μ C18-CL 120 Å, 0.075 x 150 mm; Eksigent) equilibrated in 5% acetonitrile 0.1 % FA (formic acid). Elution was carried out with a linear gradient of 7-40 % buffer B in A (A: 0.1 % FA; B: 5 % acetonitrile (ACN), 0.1 % FA) at a flow rate of 300 nL/min over 60 min. Eluted peptides were analyzed in a mass spectrometer nanoESI-qTOF (TripleTOF 6600; SCIEX). Up to 100 ions were selected for fragmentation after each survey scan. Data files were processed using the ProteinPilot search engine (version 5.0, SCIEX) to search the Swiss-Prot database with the following parameters: Trypsin specificity, IAM cys-alkylation, Species *Homo sapiens*, and the search effort set to thorough and FDR correction.

Quantitative analysis of individual samples was performed by sequential window acquisition of all theoretical spectra-mass spectrometry (SWATH-MS). Peptides were analyzed by LC using a trap column and analytical column as previously described but operating the TripleTOF 6600 mass spectrometer instrument in SWATH mode. We used 100 variable windows from 400 to 1250 m/z with a total cycle time of 2.79 seconds. Quantitative data was extracted from .wiff files with Peak View 2.2 (SCIEX) using the peptide library generated by ProteinPilot as indicated above. For every protein in the spectral library, a maximum of 20 peptides were quantified among those with a confidence threshold of 95 % and a false discovery rate (FDR) lower than 1 %. Shared peptides were excluded. For every peptide, a maximum of six transitions (fragment ions) were quantified. Biological quadruplicates were employed.

Data analysis

For RNA-seq data, read quality control was performed with FASTQC v0.11.8. Sequencing adapters and low-quality reads were filtered out with fastp v0.11.8. Filtered reads were mapped against the human reference genome GRCh38 using STAR v2.7.3a. Isoform quantification was performed with RSEM v1.3.3 and further processed with Tximport v1.16.1. Differential expression analysis was conducted with the DESeq2 v1.34 package with RStudio. Resulting p-values were adjusted with the Bonferroni method. Significant genes were selected based on an adjusted p-value cutoff of 0.01 and an absolute log-foldchange greater than 1. GSEA analysis was run against the “Hallmark” gene set from the MSigDB. The significance threshold was set at P-value below 0.05 and nominal FDR below 0.05. The “EMT” gene set (Hallmark_epithelial_mesenchymal_transition) from the Molecular Signatures Database (MSigDB, GSEA) was used to

explore de EMT phenotype across the organoid lines. Unsupervised hierarchical cluster analysis was done using a Euclidean distance measure and Ward linkage with the RStudio.

Motif analysis has been conducted using FASTQ files to run ISMARA software at (<https://ismara.unibas.ch/mara/>). Obtained motif z-values have been filtered out excluding those lower than 1.5.

SWATH quantitative data (protein areas) were median normalized and log2 transformed. Differentially expressed proteins were selected by Student t-test using a p-value of 0.05. Functional analysis of differential proteins was performed using STRING database and Cytoscape StringApp within Cytoscape software.

The correlation between CIN and protein abundance was analyzed by calculating the Pearson coefficient. We used the Pearson function of Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with the median normalized and log2 transformed data for each protein and the wGII value for each sample as function inputs.

Statistical analyses

The significance threshold of all statistical analyses was set at p-value below 0.05. wGII correlation between PDOs and matched fresh tissue was conducted with linear regression analysis. The PDOs-TCGA transcriptomic comparison was performed with Chi-square test. The correlation between CIN and protein abundance was analyzed by calculating the Pearson coefficient. We used the Pearson function of Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with the median normalized and log2 transformed data for each protein and the wGII value for each sample as function inputs. Venn diagrams were used to visualize differences between categorical groups. Statistical analyses related to publicly datasets are described in the corresponding section.

Publicly available datasets analysis

For cell lines dependencies analysis, we selected CIN+ and CIN- cell lines and downloaded combined CRISPR/Cas9 DepMap Public 23Q4+Score and Chronos datasets and from RNA-interference combined Achilles+DRIVE+Marcotte, DEMETER2 from DepMap portal (<https://depmap.org/portal/>) selecting genes from the Pearson signature proteins. Not all corresponding genes were present in the RNA-interference datasets, therefore in this case the analysis was conducted on 130 genes. We compared the dependence score for each gene in CIN+ with respect to CIN- via multiple t-test. Data were represented with Volcano plots indicating the dependence score effect size.

For drugs analysis we downloaded Drug sensitivity AUCs from CTD² dataset from DepMap portal. Data belonging to compounds without a defined target and those for whom only one line was tested for each comparison group (CIN+ and CIN-) were discarded. Therefore, data related to 379 drugs were analyzed. We compared the AUCs for each compound in CIN+ with respect to CIN- via multiple t-test. For each drug a pattern was assembled containing the corresponding Ln-AUCs across the cell lines. Next, Z-scores were calculated for each drug, taking into account mean Ln-AUC and standard deviation for each point (LnAUC-mean/standard deviation). Finally, the patterns were aggregated column-wise into a matrix. The obtained matrix was used to assess the relative sensitivity/resistance of each line.

For proteomic public dataset we downloaded proteomic data from Zhang et al [48] and for CIN and MSI annotated samples selected those proteins that we identified from the Pearson signature. We compared protein abundance for each gene in CIN+ with respect to CIN- via multiple t-test. Furthermore, for each (significant) protein a pattern was assembled containing the corresponding across the tissue samples. Next, Z-scores were calculated for each protein, taking into account mean protein abundance and standard deviation for each point (protein abundance-mean/standard deviation). Finally, the patterns were aggregated column-wise into a matrix. Clustering heatmap was built with pheatmap package (Rstudio). Fisher exact test was used to evaluate statistical significance of tissue categorization.

Kaplan-Meier plotter software (<https://kmplot.com/analysis/>) (1-2) was used to evaluate the prognostic value of the prioritized targets. OS was analyzed based on the expression of CRC patients from the TCGA group, MSS and MSI cohort with auto-selected best-cut-off. The Hazard ratio (HR) and log-rank P-value are calculated by the software and curves are plotted.

We used the TNMplot web tool (<https://tnmplot.com/analysis/>) (3) to compare gene expression in CRC tumor versus normal tissue using RNAseq data and normal tissues near the tumor area. Data are represented as box plots.

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Table S1 REAGENTS AND TOOLS TABLE

Reagent/Resource	Reference or Source	Identifier or Catalog Number
Experimental Models		
Human colorectal cancer tissues	This paper	N/A
Patient-derived organoids	This paper	N/A
Chemicals, peptides, and recombinant proteins		
N-2 supplement (100X)	ThermoFisher Scientific	17502048
B27 Supplement (NCS21 Supplement (50x), Serum-free)	Labclinics	C21-H
N-acetyl L-cysteine	Sigma-Aldrich	A9165
Nicotinamide	Sigma-Aldrich	N0636
Human Recombinant EGF	eBioscience	BMS320
Human Recombinant Noggin	R&D systems	6057-NG
A-83-01	Sigma-Aldrich	SML0788
SB202190	Sigma-Aldrich	S7067
[Leu15]-Gastrin I human	Sigma-Aldrich	G9145
Human Recombinant RSpondin 1	R&D systems	4645-RS
Human Recombinant FGF-10	Peptotech	100-26
Prostaglandin E2	Sigma - Aldrich	P6532
Y-27632	Sigma - Aldrich	Y0503
TrypLE™ Express	Life Technologies	12605-010
BME Type 2	R&D	3533-010-002
DAPI	Invitrogen	P36941
YAP1 antibody	Abcam	ab205270
IPO7 antibody	Santa Cruz acetylated-lysine	sc-365231
Acetylated-Lysine antibody	Cell signalling	9441
Critical commercial assays		
QIAamp DNA Micro Kit	Qiagen	56304
RNeasy Micro Kit	Qiagen	74004
CytoScan™ HD Array Kit and Reagent Kit Bundle	ThermoScientific	901835
RC DC™ Protein Assay Kit	BioRad	5000121
NEBNext Poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Module	New England Biolabs	E7490S

NEBNext® Ultra™ II Directional RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina®	New England Biolabs	E7760S
NextSeq 500/550 High Output 300 cycles kit	Illumina	20024908
Software and algorithms		
AGCC software	Affymetrix	N/A
Chromosome Analysis Suite (ChAS)	Affymetrix	software version 4.1
coadread_tcga_pan_can_atlas_2018	https://www.cell.com/pb-assets/consortium/pancanceratlas/pancani3/index.html	
Protein Pilot	SCIEX	Version 5.0
Peak View	SCIEX	Version 2.2
FASTQC	GitHub	Version 0.11.8
fastp	GitHub	Version 0.11
STAR	GitHub	Version 2.7.3a
RSEM	GitHub	Version 1.3.3
Tximport	GitHub	Version 1.16.1
UniProt ID mapping tool	https://www.uniprot.org/id-mapping	
STRING database	https://string-db.org	Version 12.0
Cytoscape	https://cytoscape.org	Version 3.10.2
GSEA	https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/index.jsp	Version 4.3.3
EMT signature	https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARK_EPITHELIAL_MESENCHYMAL_TRANSITION.html	Version 5.0
DepMap	https://depmap.org/portal/	
KMplot	https://kmplot.com/analysis/	
TNMplot	https://tnmplot.com/analysis/	
ISMARA	https://ismara.unibas.ch/mara/	
MitoCarta	https://www.broadinstitute.org/files/shared/metabolism/mitocarta/human.mitocarta3.0.html	Version 3.0
ImageJ	http://imagej.nih.gov/ij	Version 1.53a
CellProfiler	Broad Institute https://cellprofiler.org	Version 4.2.8
Deposited data		
RNAseq	ENA	PRJEB57288
Mass spectrometry	ProteomeXchange Consortium, PRIDE	PXD038149
CytoscanHD	ENA	PRJEB75321

Table S2 Patient characteristics

ID sample	Tissue /PDOs	Gender	Ethnicity	PTL	CIN status	RAS RAF	MSS MSI	CNA analysis	Transcriptomic signature	Proteotranscriptomic integration
RTO2	+/+	F	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	yes	yes
RTO7	+/+	M	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	wt	MSS	yes	yes	yes
mCTO24S2	+/+	F	Caucasian	sigmoid	CIN-	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	yes	no
mCTO24S7	+/+	F	Caucasian	sigmoid	CIN-	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	no	no
mCTT24B	+/-	F	Caucasian	sigmoid	CIN+	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	no	no
mCTO38S5	+/+	M	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	wt	MSS	yes	no	no
mCTT38S8	+/-	M	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	wt	MSS	yes	no	no
mCTO43	+/+	M	Caucasian	sigmoid	CIN+	wt	MSS	yes	yes	yes
mCTO46	+/+	M	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	no	no
mCTO47	+/+	M	Caucasian	sigmoid	CIN+	wt	MSS	yes	yes	no
mCTO50	-/+	F	Caucasian	cecum	CIN-	wt	MSI	yes	yes	yes
mCTO50B	+/+	F	Caucasian	cecum	CIN-	wt	MSI	yes	yes	yes
mCTO66S3	+/+	M	Caucasian	rectum	CIN+	<i>KRAS</i> mut	MSS	yes	yes	yes
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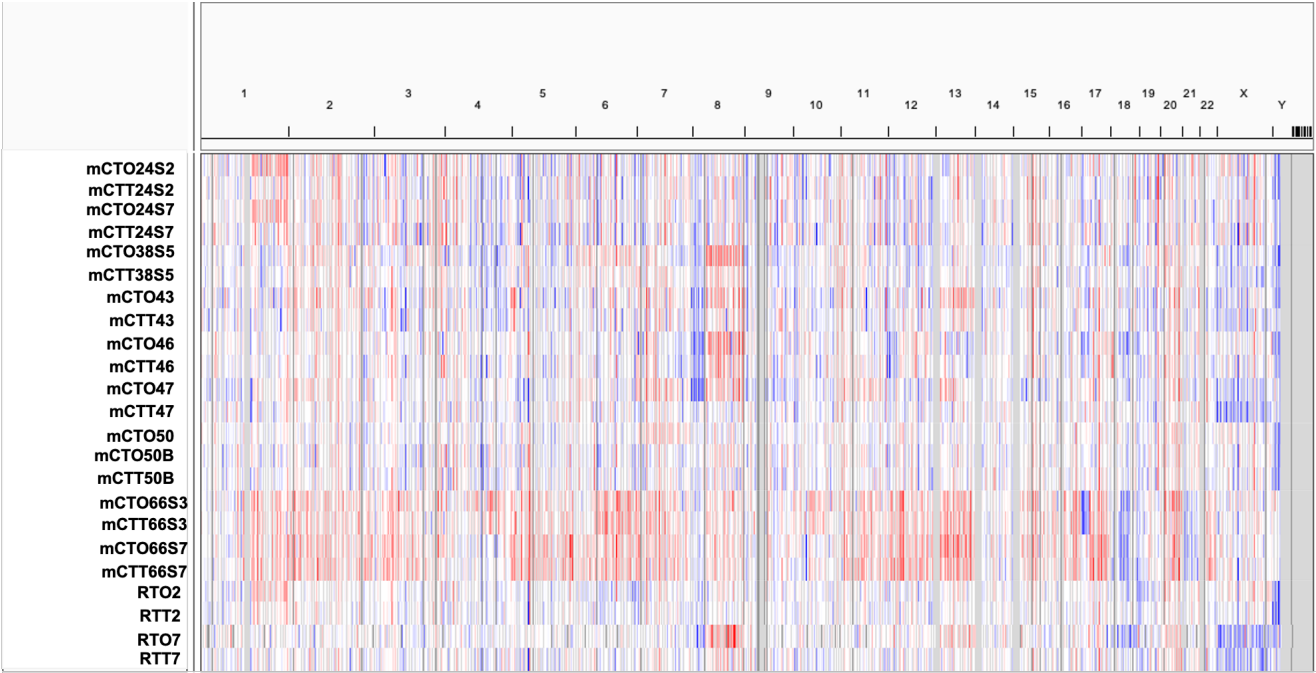
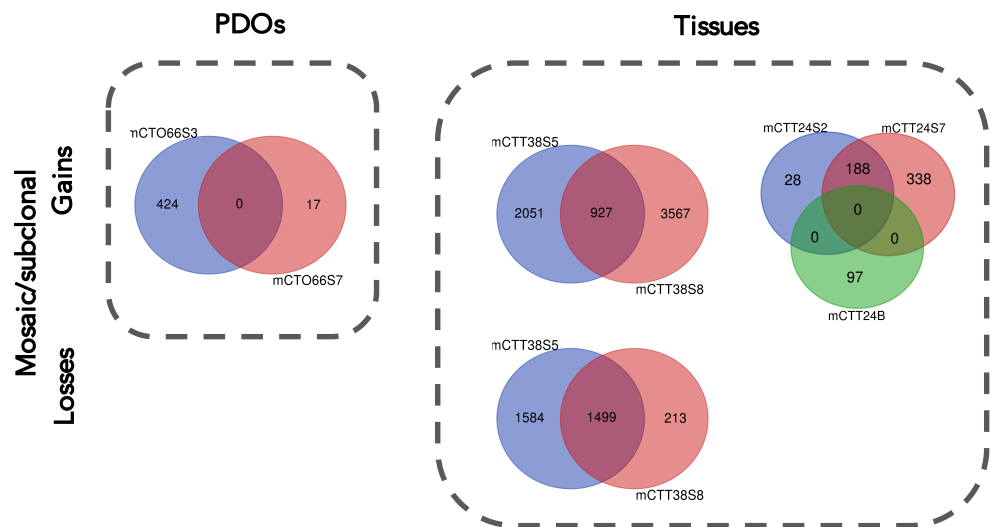


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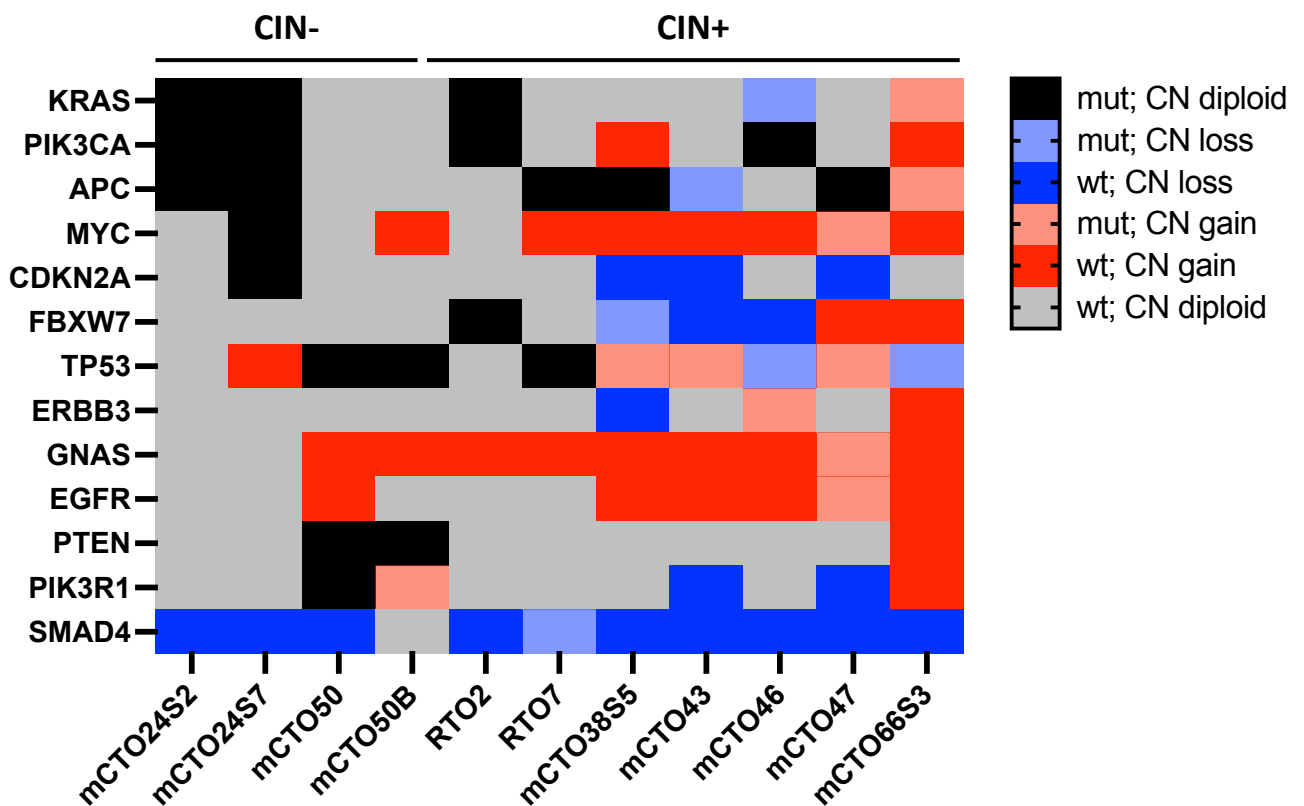


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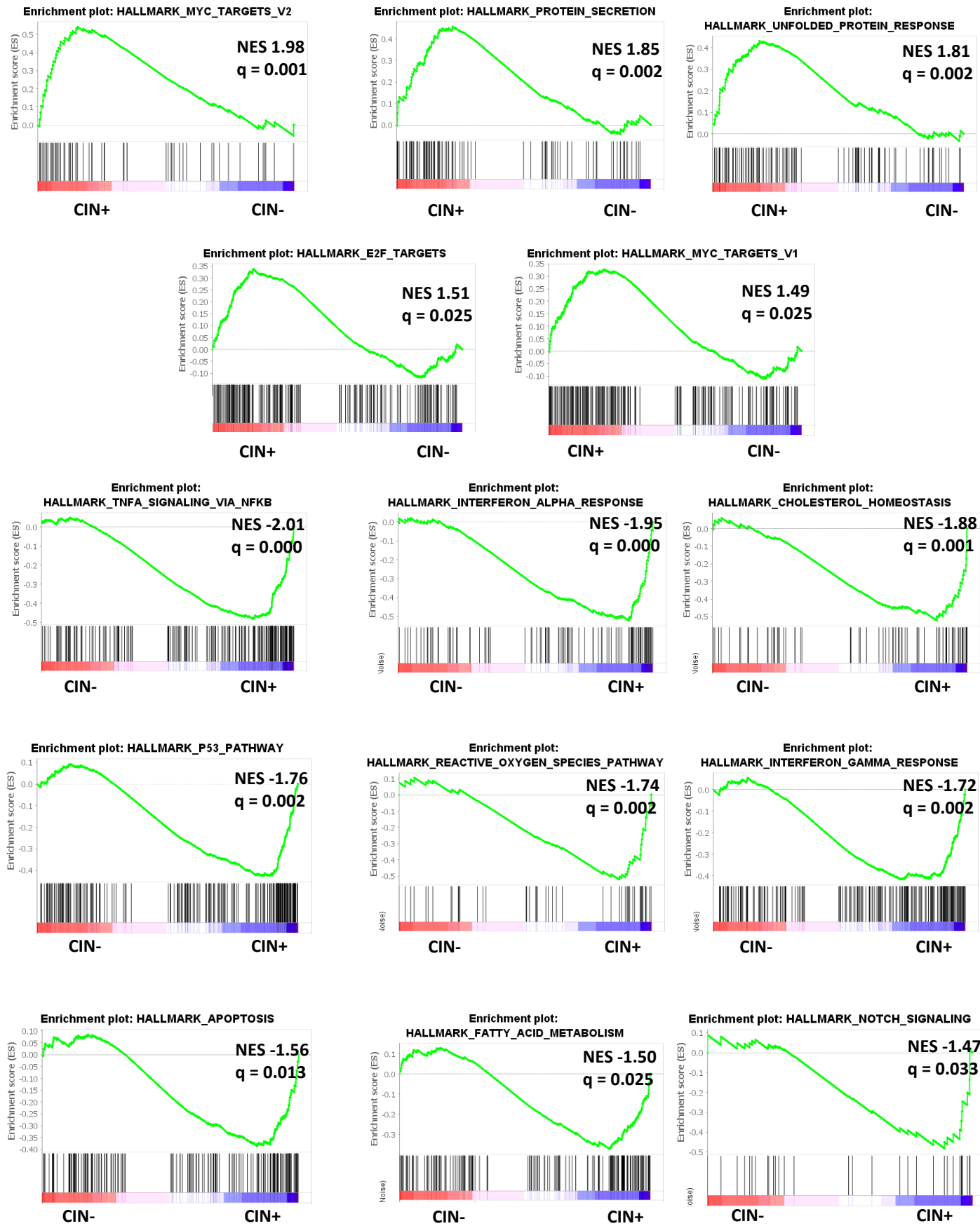


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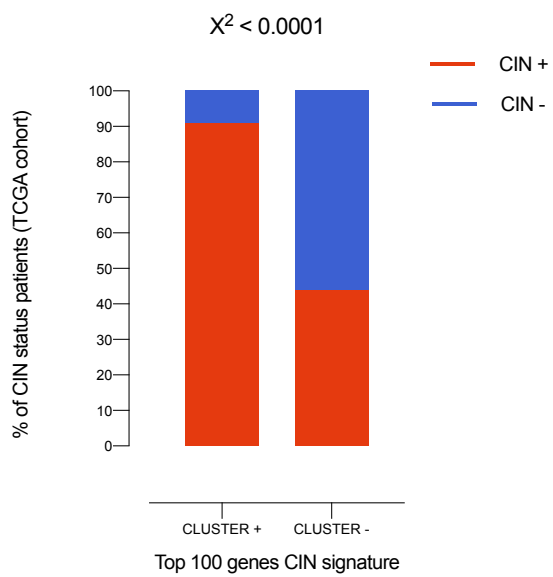


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HET70 signature

CIN70 signature

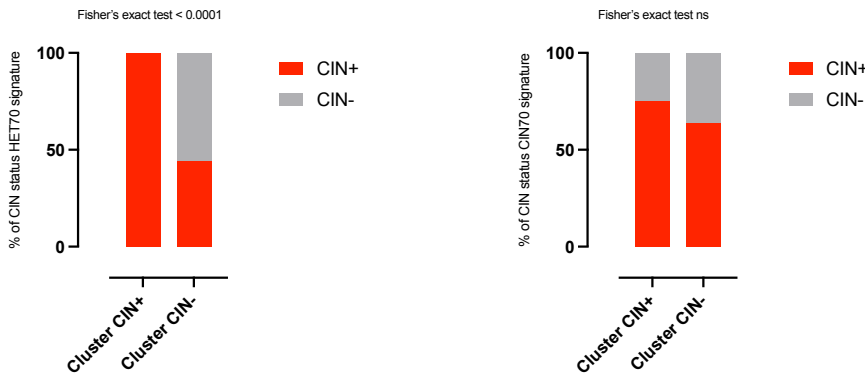
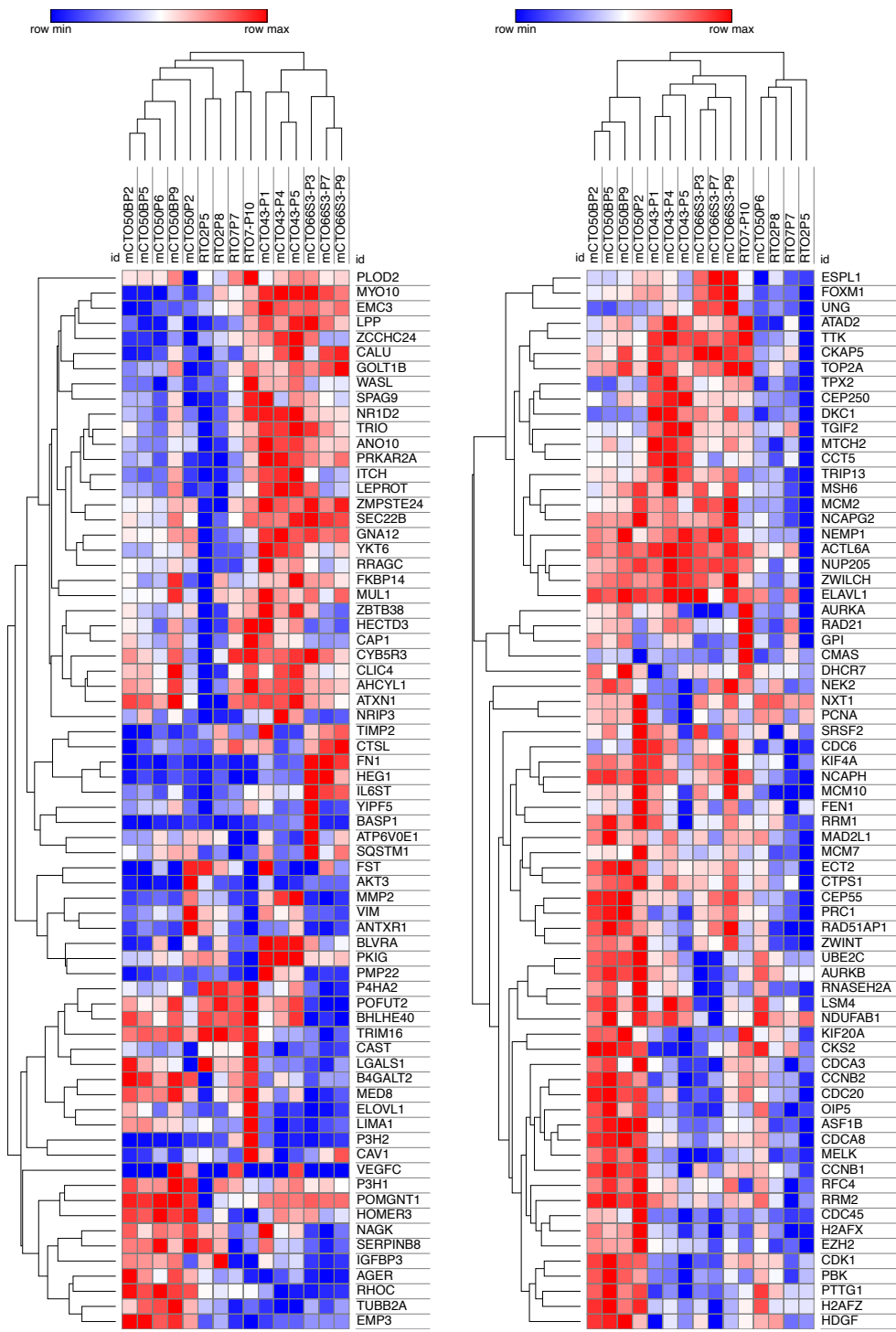


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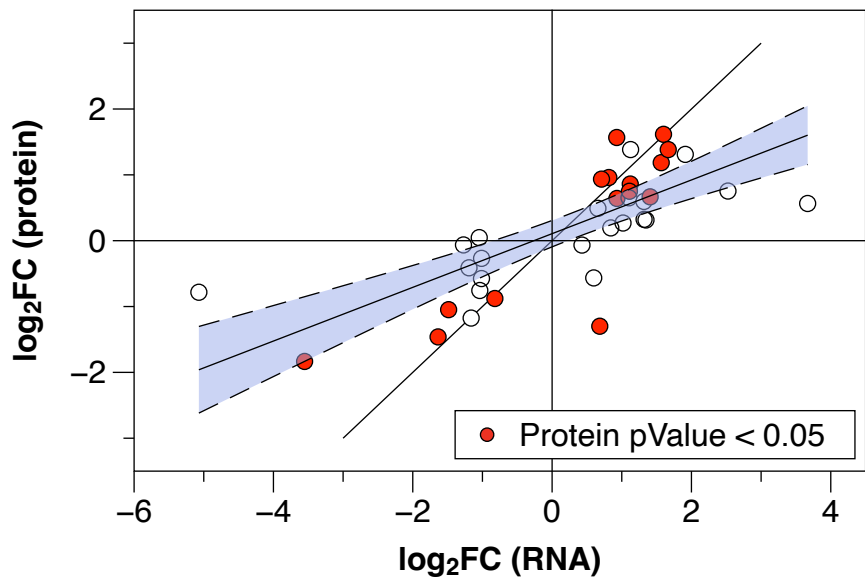


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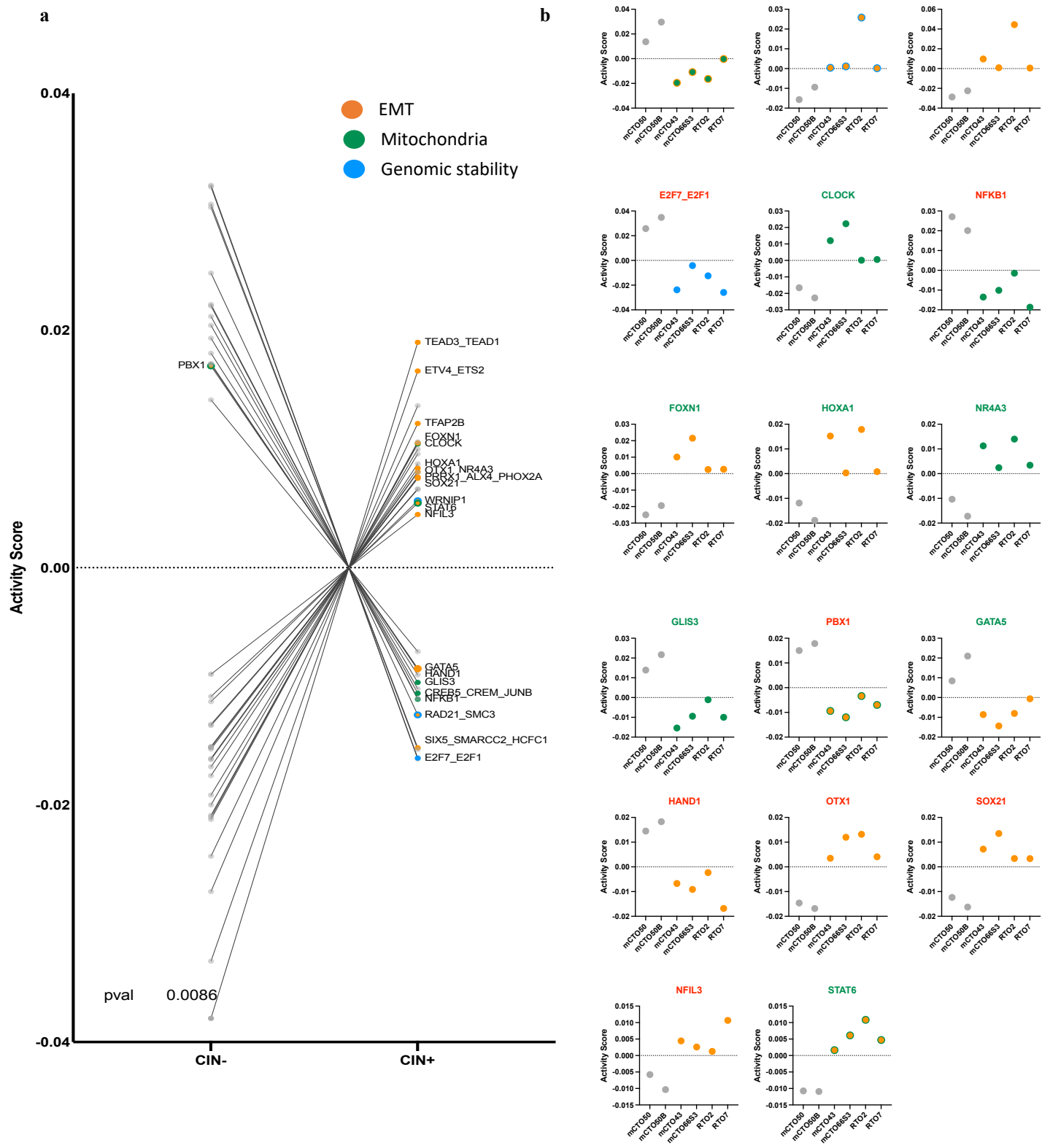


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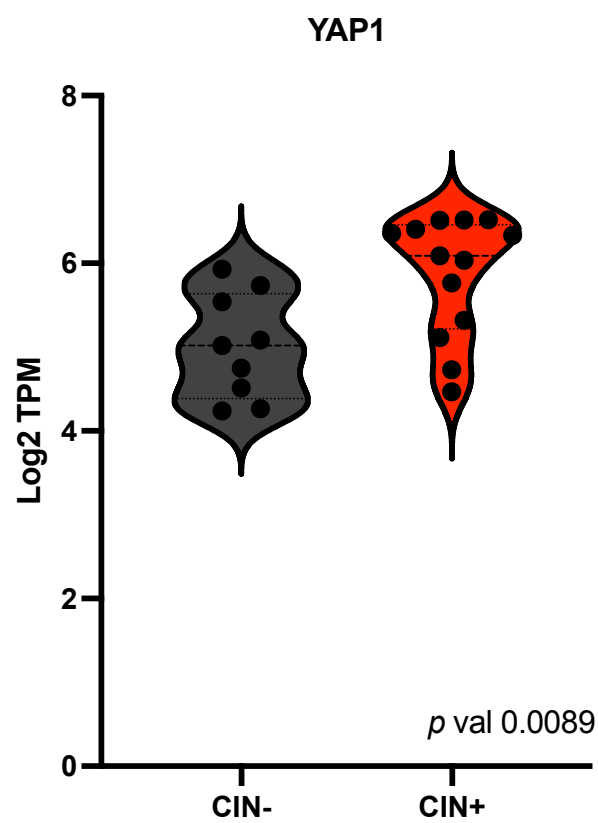
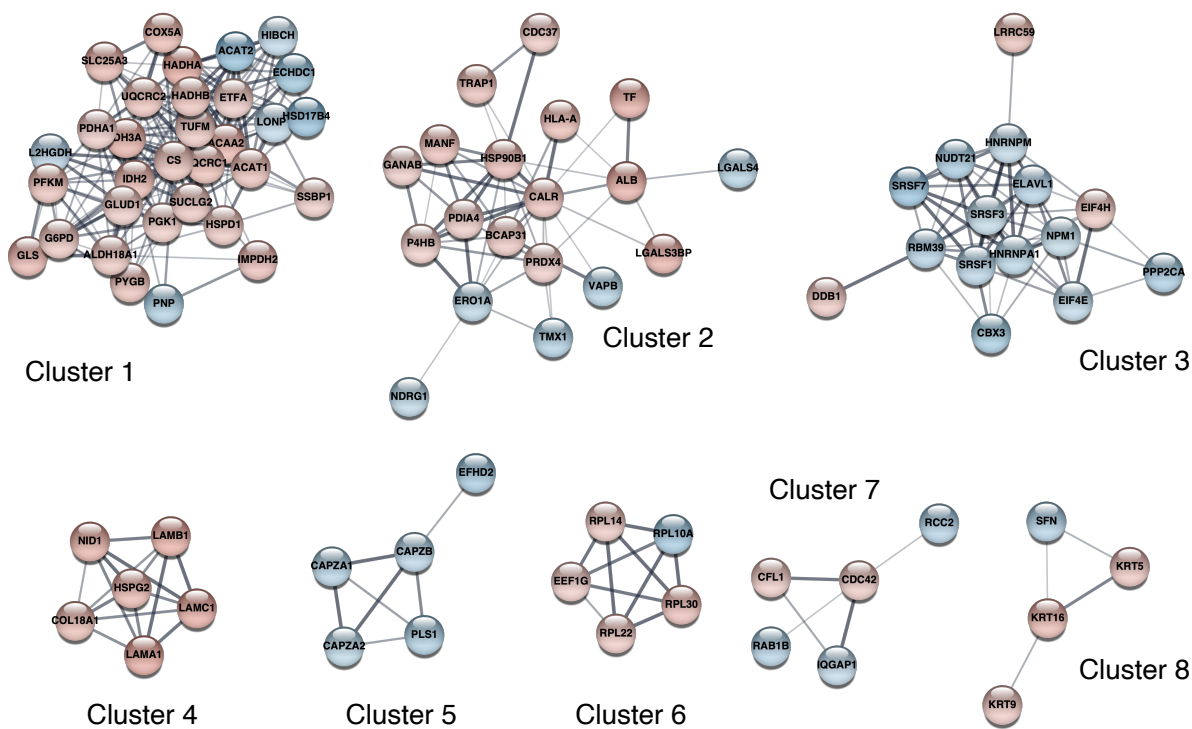


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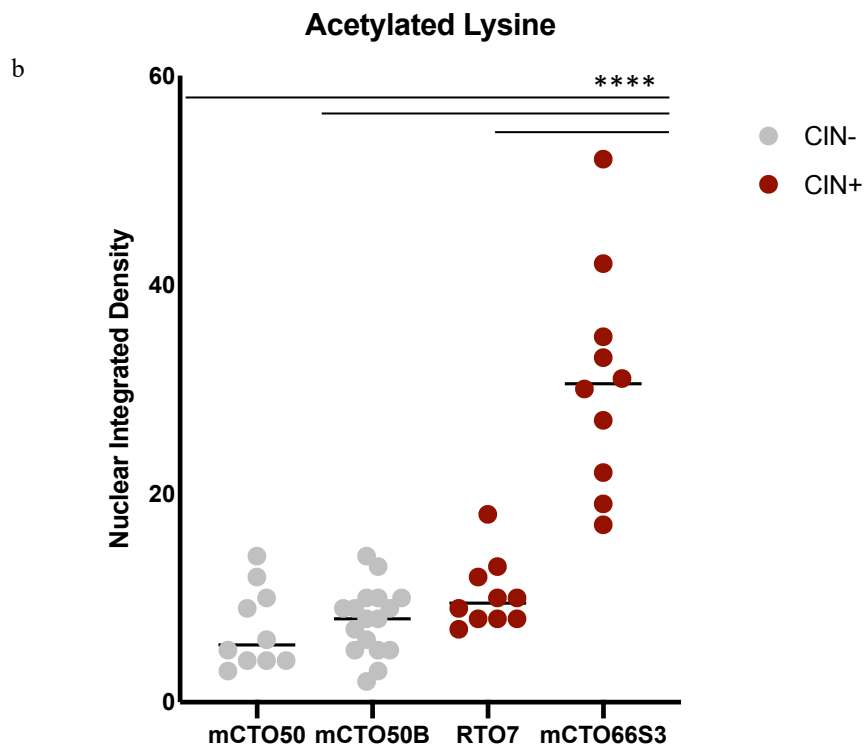
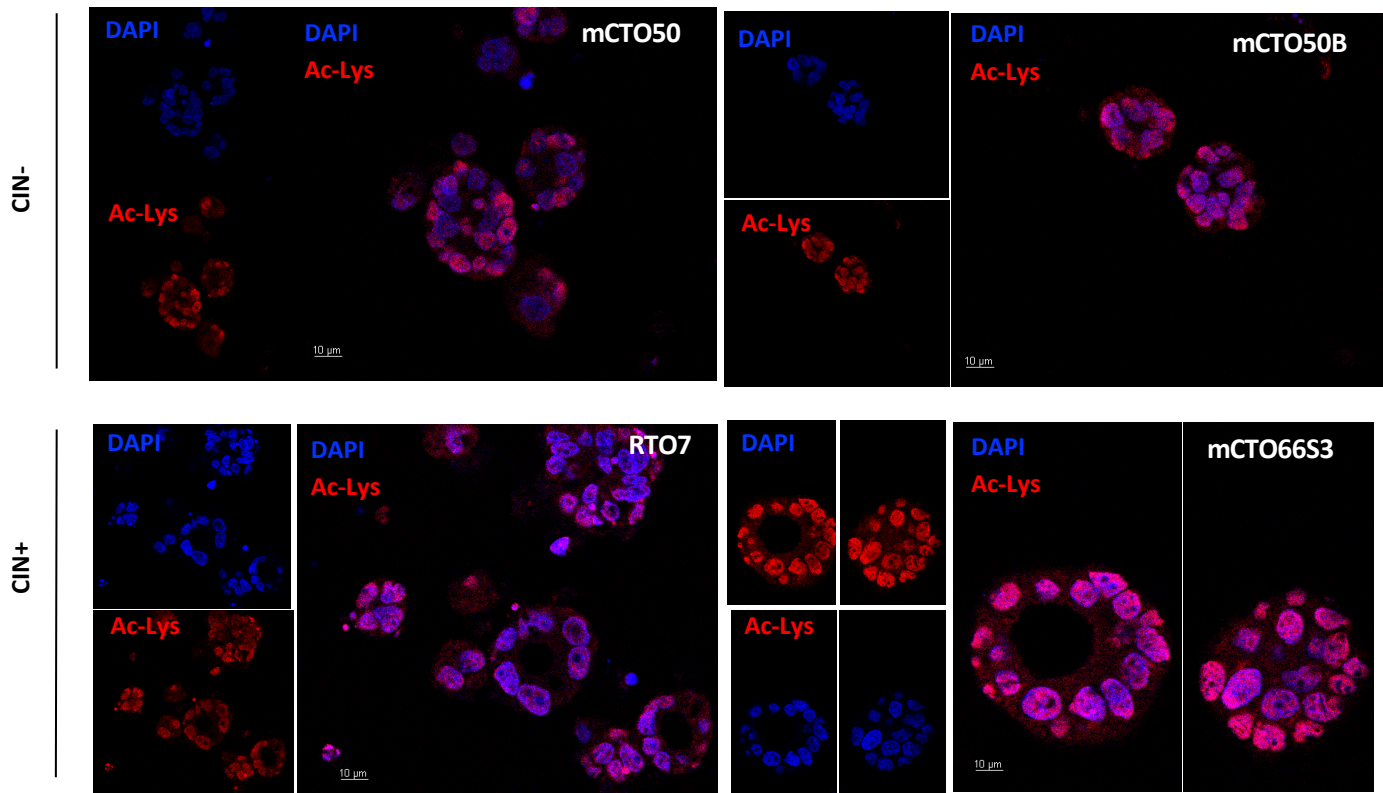


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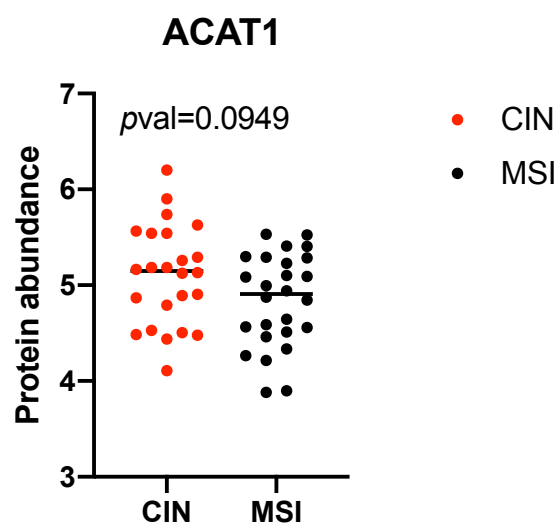


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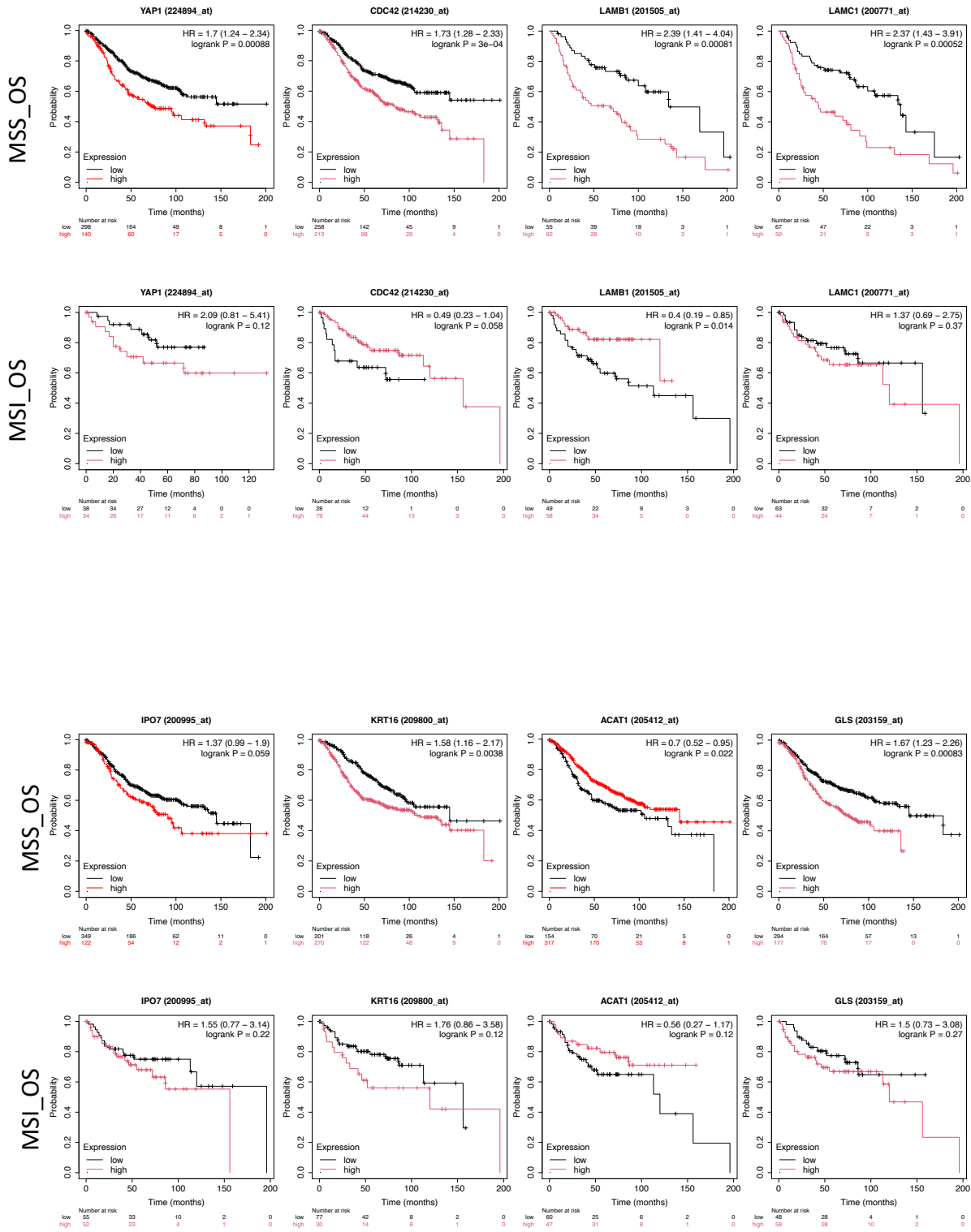
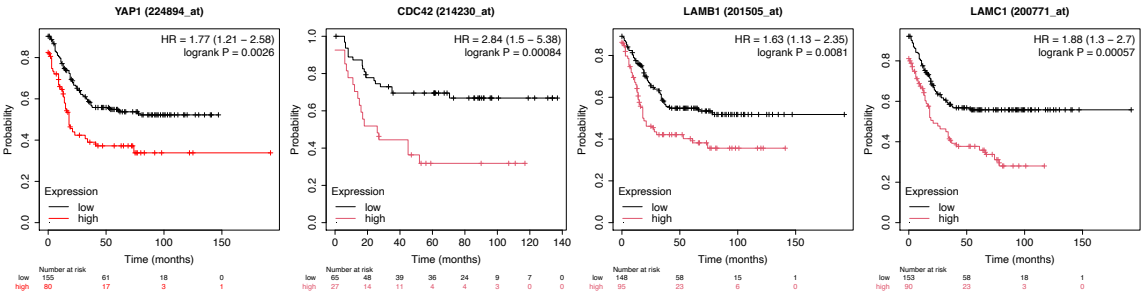
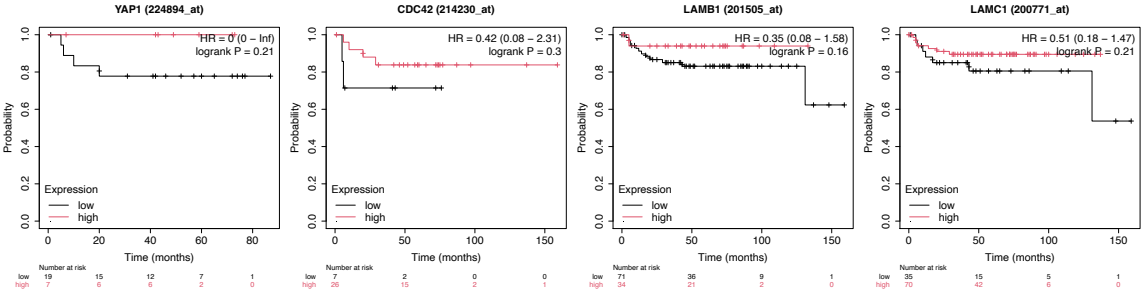


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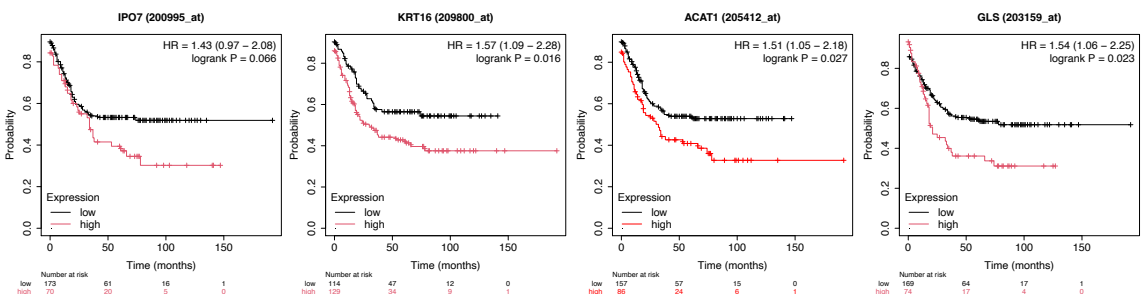
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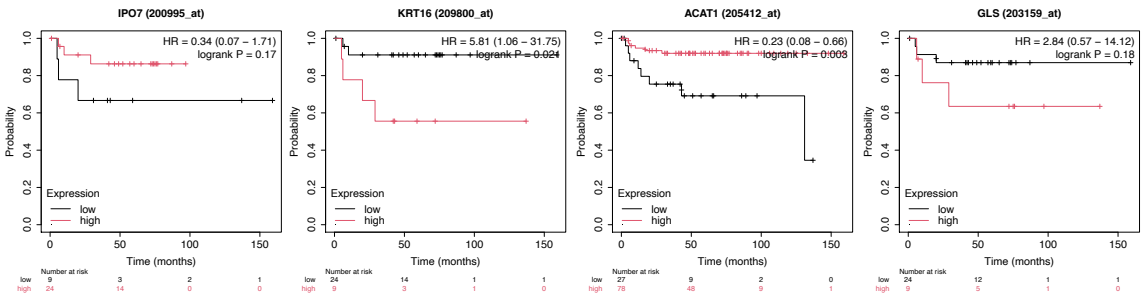


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