Acronyms and definitions

- P+: Gold standard dataset interacting
- P-: Gold standard dataset of non-interacting
- **NP+:** Subset of P+ composed of encoded by neighbouring genes
- **OP+:** Subset of P+ composed of encoded by non-neighbouring genes
- T: The dataset compiled in Burger and van Nimwegen, Mol Sys Biol 2008
- **T+:** Interacting included in T dataset
- **T-:** Non-interacting included T dataset
- **SP+:** Subset of P+ dataset composed of present in Burger and van Nimwegen's database (also used to compare to STRING database)
- **SP-:** Subset of P+ dataset composed of present in Burger and van Nimwegen's database (also used to compare to STRING database)
- **Eco** = *Escherichia coli* K-12 MG1655
- **SII** = *Synechocystis sp.* PCC6803
- **MII** = Mesorhizobium loti MAFF303099
- Mxan = Myxococcus xanthus DK 1622



