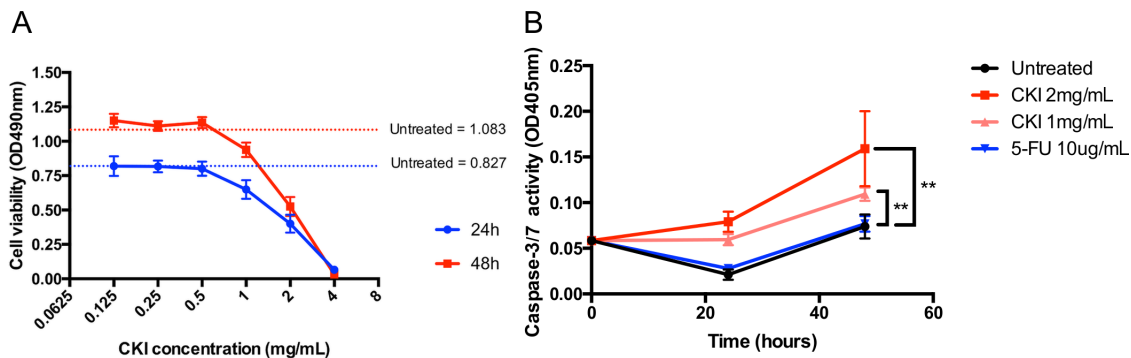
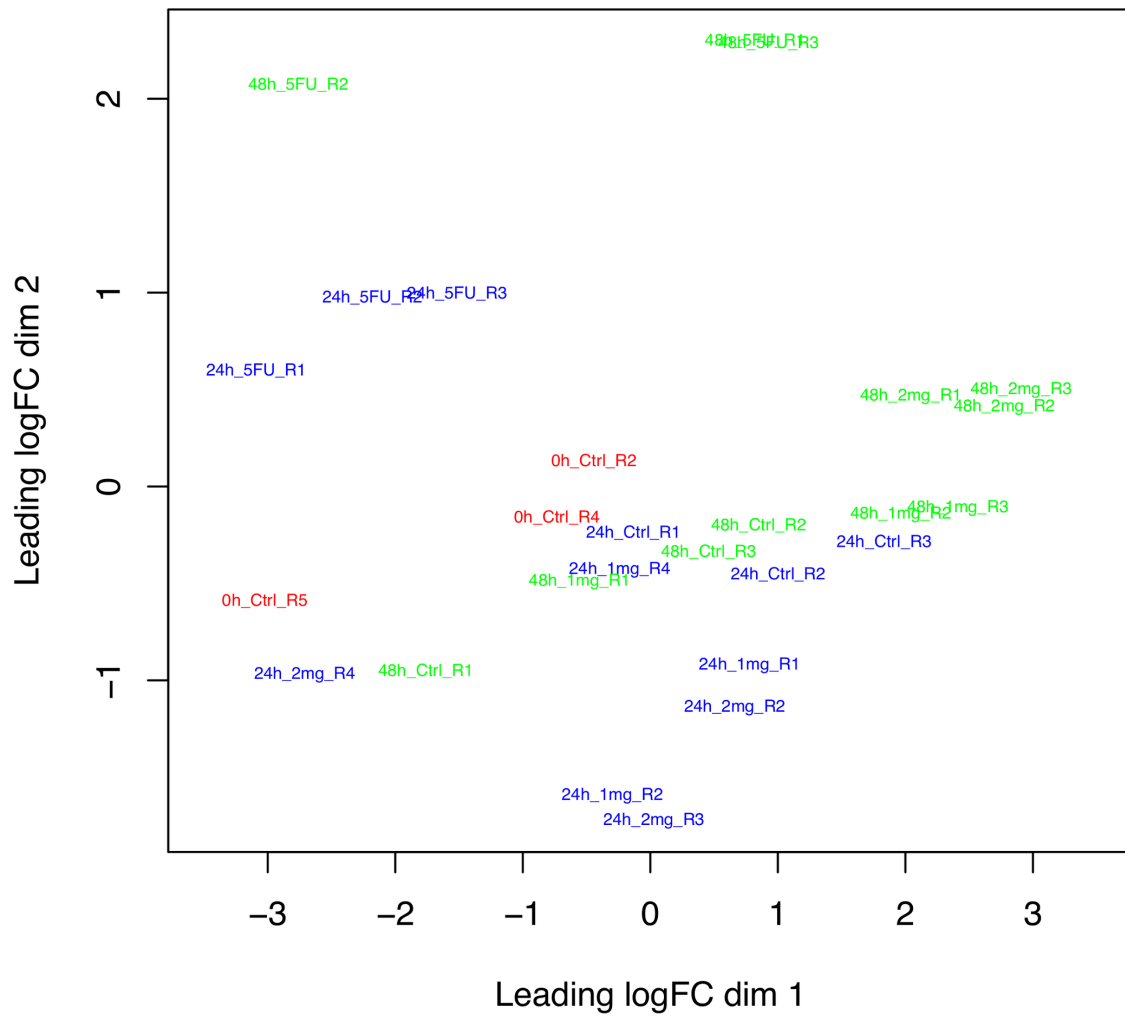


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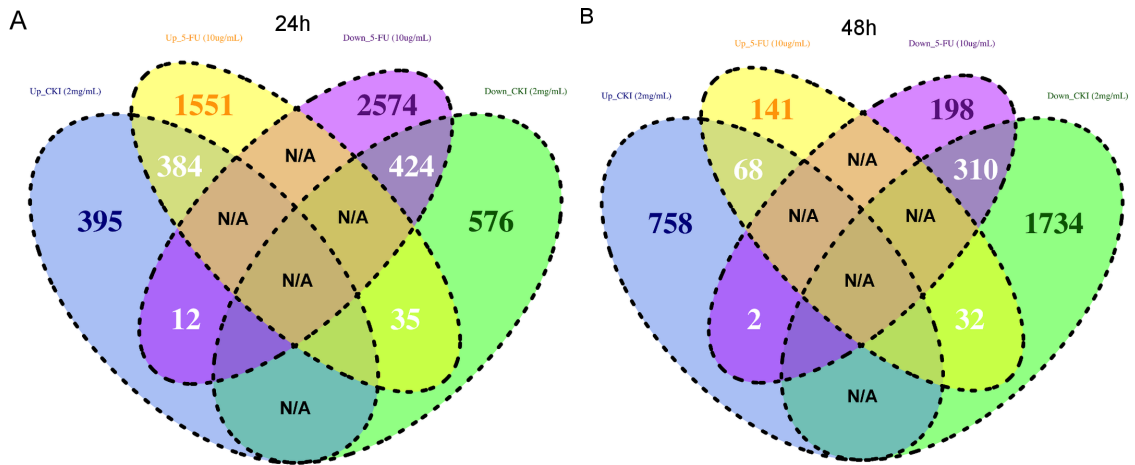
SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES



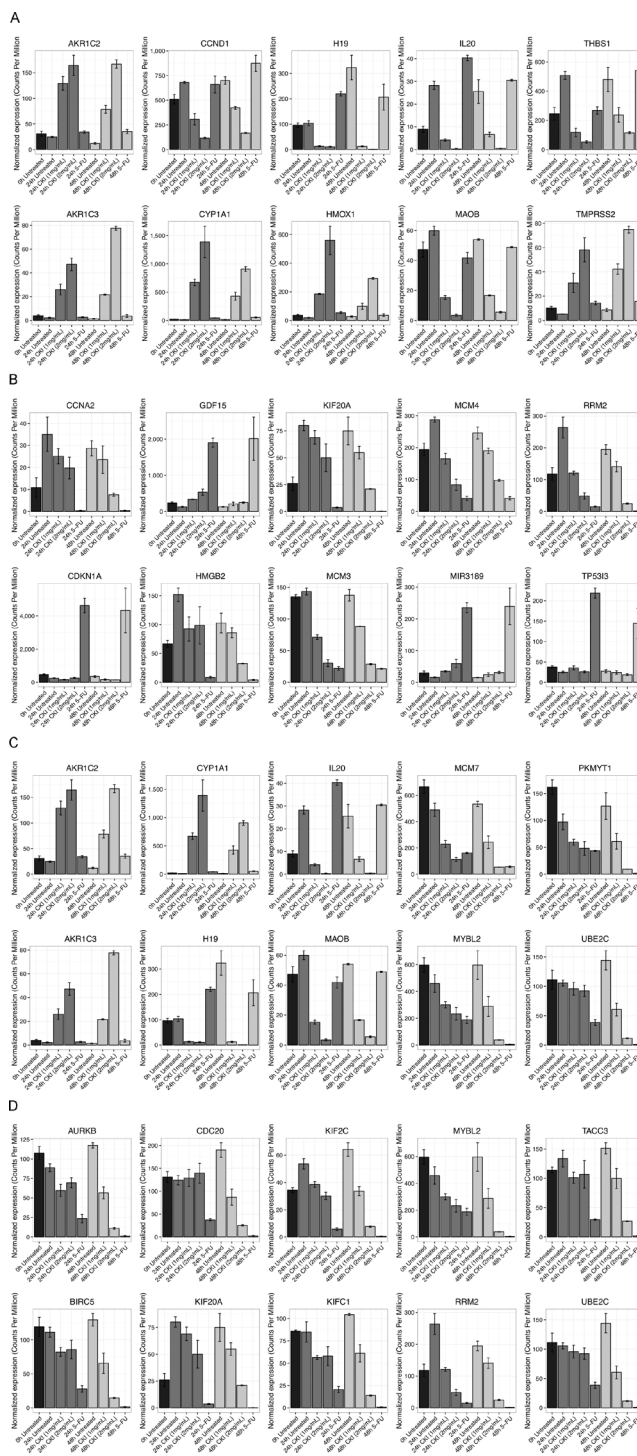
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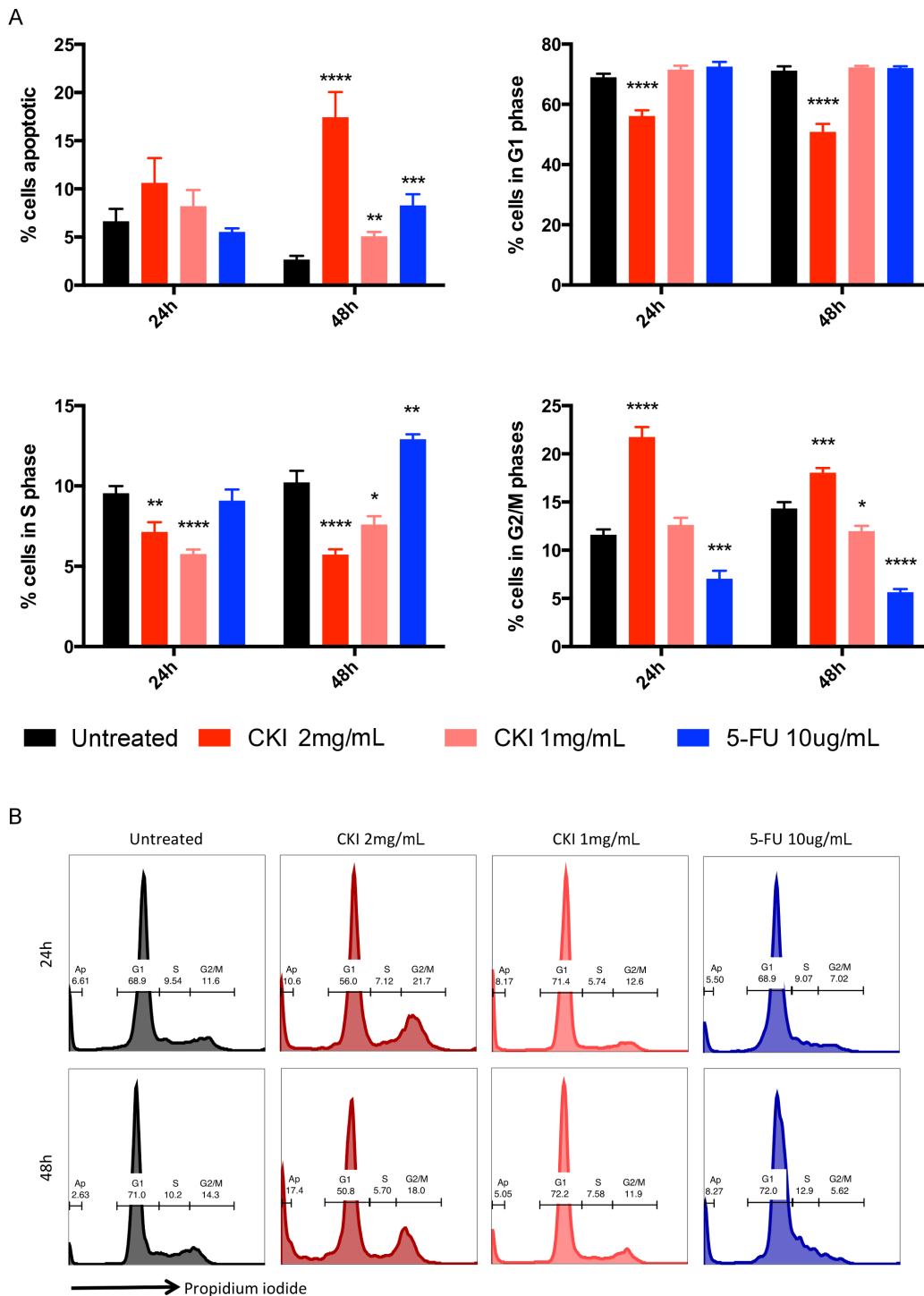
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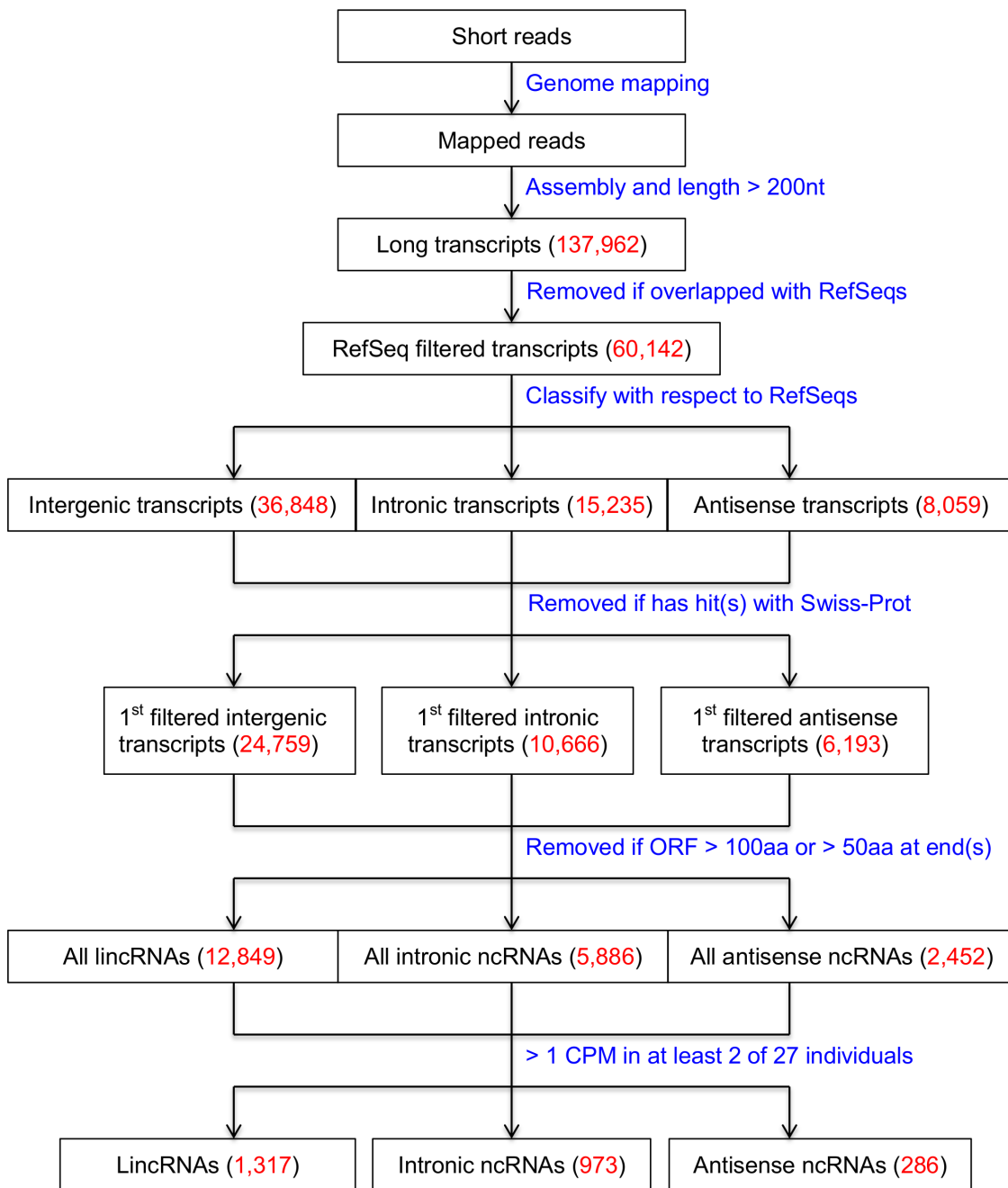
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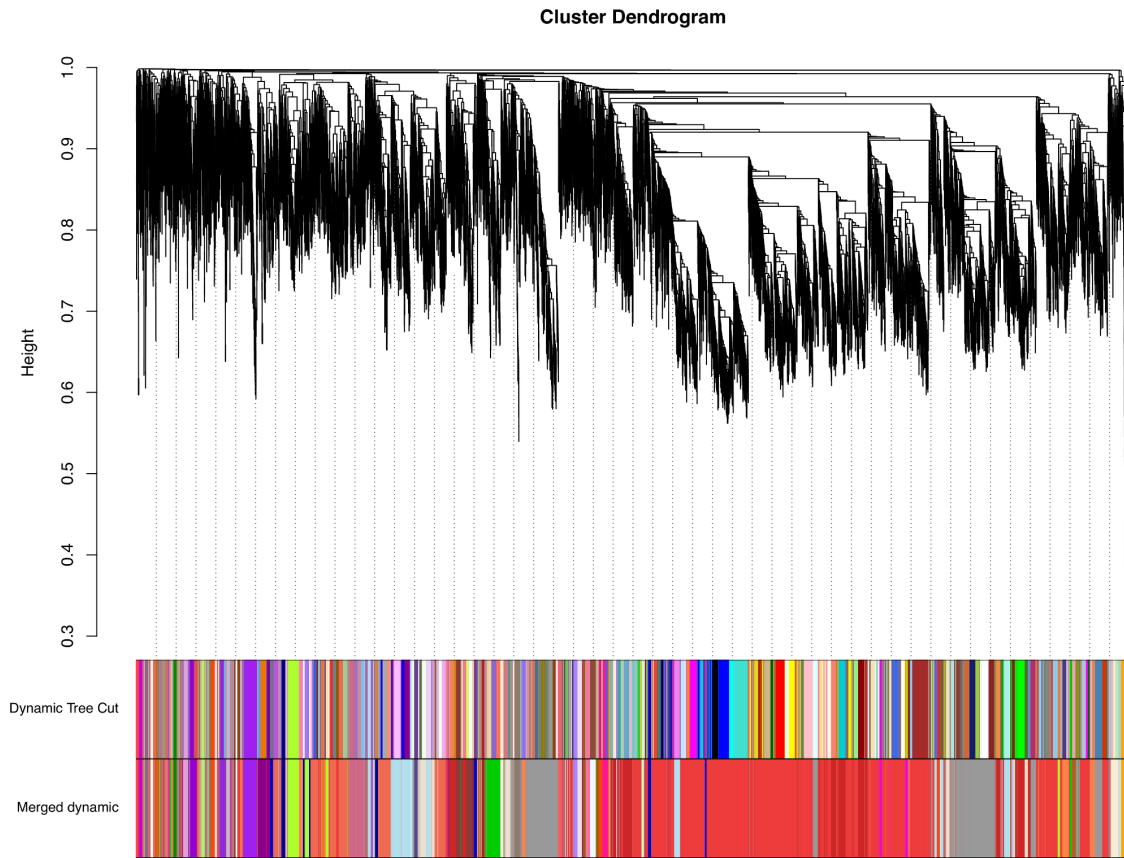
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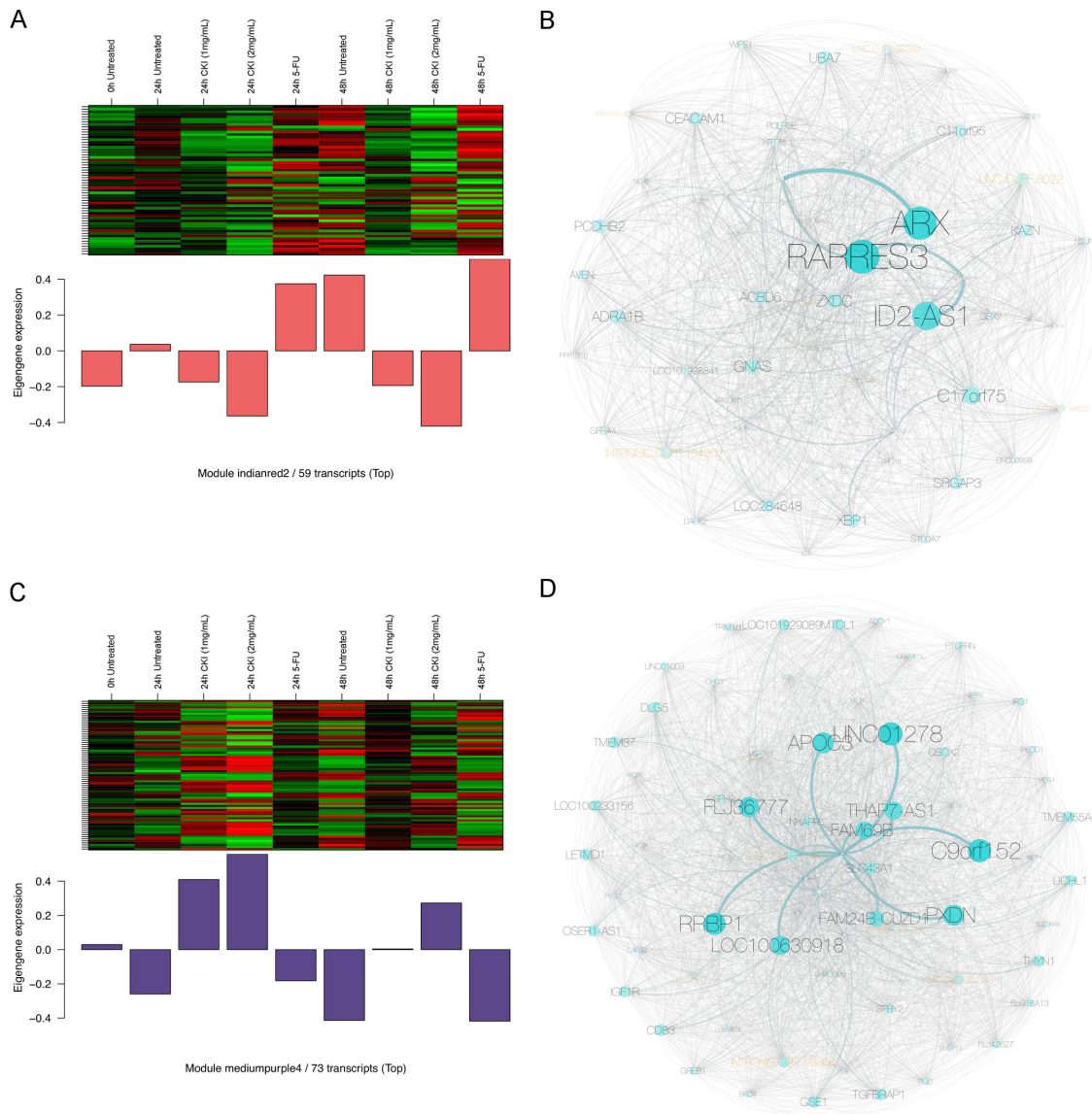
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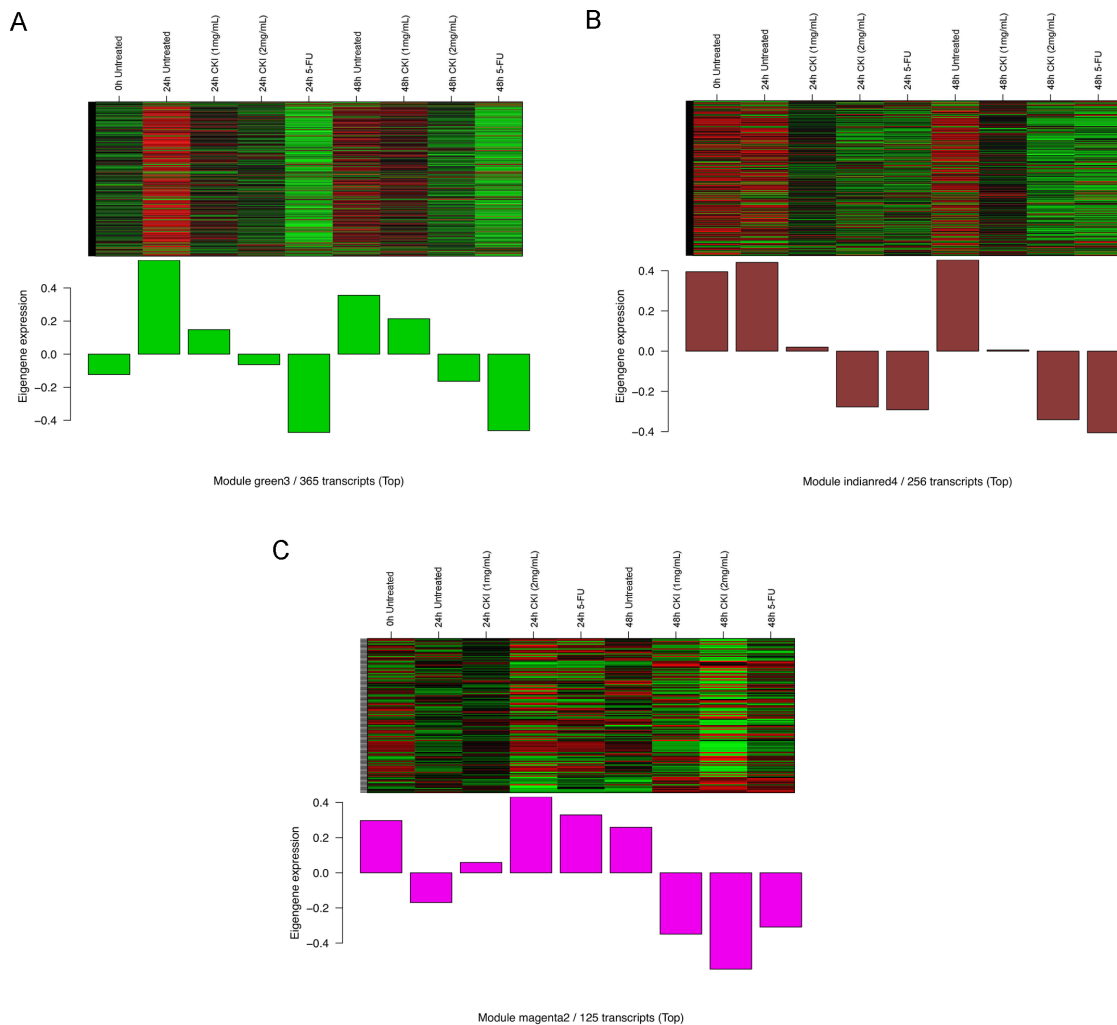
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Supplementary Figure 8: Expression patterns of transcripts in CKI-specific modules “indianred2” and “mediumpurple2” are shown in the top panels A. and C. and the barplot in the bottom panels (A and C) shows the eigengene values for different samples. Green represents “under-expressed” and red represents “over-expressed” in the heatmap. The “eigengene value” is defined as the first principal component of this module, so it can be considered as representative of the gene expression profiles in this module. Visualization of CKI-specific modules “indianred2” and “mediumpurple2” B. and D. The black labels represent refGenes and gold labels represent lncRNAs. The size of the node/label and edge weight is proportional to betweenness centrality.



Supplementary Figure 9, Representative CKI-5FU co-expression modules. Expression patterns of transcripts in CKI-5FU modules **A**. “green3”, **B**. “indianred4” and **C**. “magenta2” are shown in the top panels, and the barplot in the bottom panels show the eigengene values in different samples. Green represents “under-expressed” and red represents “over-expressed” in the heatmap. The “eigengene value” is defined as the first principal component of this module, so it can be considered as representative of the gene expression profiles in this module.

Supplementary Table 1: Summary of RNA-seq datasets used in this study

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Supplementary Table 2: Summary of significantly differentially expressed genes for different comparisons

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Supplementary Table 3: Significantly perturbed KEGG pathways based on SPIA analysis

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Supplementary Table S4: Numbers of transcripts in 53 co-expression modules

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Supplementary Table 5: Significantly over-represented GO and KEGG terms in protein-coding genes from three CKI-5FU co-expression modules (count > 4 and P-value < 0.05)

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Supplementary Table 6: Primers used for qPCR

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