

SUPPLEMENT MATERIAL

Regenerative Potential of Neonatal Porcine Hearts

Running title: Cardiomyocyte Regeneration in Neonatal Pigs

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SUPPLEMENTAL METHODS

RNA Sequencing

The Pig (*Sus Scrofa*) reference (GenBank Assembly ID GCA_000003025.6) assembly was downloaded from Ensembl database.¹ Non-chromosome DNA sequences were not used. The unmasked genomic DNA sequences were concatenated into a single fasta file. The reference genome sequence was indexed using STAR² v2.5.3a. The annotation files were also downloaded from Ensembl. Only the chromosome DNA annotation was used.

The quality control of raw sequencing data was performed using FastQC (<http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/>) v0.11.5. All the sequenced reads passed the Basic Statistics, Per base sequence quality, Per tile sequence quality, Per sequence quality scores, Per base N content, and Adapter Content. The high-quality RNA sequencing experiment was confirmed.

For each sample, paired-ends RNA-seq reads were mapped to pig reference genome using STAR v2.5.3a with the parameters “--outSAMtype BAM SortedByCoordinate Unsorted --outFilterType BySJout --outFilterMultimapNmax 20 --alignSJoverhangMin 8 - -alignSJDBoverhangMin 1 --outFilterMismatchNmax 999 --outFilterMismatchNoverReadLmax 0.04 --alignIntronMin 20 --alignIntronMax 100000 --alignMatesGapMax 100000”. SAMtools³ v0.1.18 was used to further process the alignment BAM file. Htseq-count⁴ v0.7.2 was used to count reads in gene features.

DESeq2⁵ was used to identify differentially expressed genes (DEGs) between groups. Specifically, we calculated the DEGs in three comparisons: P1 vs P3, P1 vs P14, and P3 vs P14. Gene Ontology (GO) and Pathway enrichment analysis was performed using DAVID⁶ v6.8.

To identify candidate genes that are involved in the regeneration process after myocardium injury, we deep sequenced the whole transcriptome of P1, P3, and P14 samples, respectively. A total of 47.9G base pairs were generated (~6.8Gb per sample). The Quality Control (QC) of the raw sequencing data indicated all sequencing experiments were performed appropriately (**Supplementary Table II, and Supplemental Figure I A – I F**). The reads were mapped to the reference genome using STAR.² The average uniquely mapped reads ratio is 85.2% (ranging from 76.07% to 90.3%), indicating a high mapping rate since we only mapped to the reference excluding non-chromosome DNA sequences.

We used htseq-count³ to count reads in features. We used default method of DESeq2⁵ to identify differentially expressed genes (DEGs) between groups. The differential expression analysis in DESeq2 used generalized linear model fitting based on a negative binomial distribution and the Wald significance test to calculate p-values; then, a multiple-test correction (FDR method of Benjamini-Hochberg procedure) was used to maximize the number of adjusted p-values that were less than a given critical value (alpha). For alpha (adjusted p-value) <0.05, we found 734, 258, and 364 significant DEGs between P1 and P3, between P1 and P14, and between P3 and P14,

respectively. To identify the relevant biological functions of these DEGs, we performed Gene Ontology enrichment analysis (**Supplementary Figures I A, I C, and I E**) using DAVID⁶ tool. We also performed pathway enrichment analysis (**Supplementary Figure I B, I D, and I F**). p-values from the enrichment analysis were corrected for multiple testing using Benjamini-Hochberg method.

Mapping Pig Differentially Expressed Transcripts

The Ensemble gene ID for *Sus scrofa* (pig) are mapped to their gene symbols using the UniProt database as the following: 1) map Ensembl Gene ID directly to pig gene symbols, then further mapped to its human gene counterparts; 2) for the unmapped genes, we manually examined the UniProt homologous gene clusters at the 100%, 90%, and 50% identity levels to map the pig gene to its homologous human gene counterparts within the same gene cluster. After such gene processing, we obtained the following final results:

- 706 out of the 734 differentially genes between P1 and P3 conditions (adjusted p-value<0.05) are mapped to human genes. The top 25 genes that are differentially expressed were listed in Supplemental Table III.
- 205 out of the 258 differentially genes between P1 and P14 conditions (adjusted p-value<0.05) are mapped to human genes. The top 25 genes that are differentially expressed were listed in Supplemental Table IV.
- 348 out of the 364 differentially genes between P3 and P14 conditions (adjusted p-value<0.05) are mapped to human genes. The top 25 genes that are differentially expressed were listed in Supplemental Table V.

Method for Ranking Genes

The ranking of differentially expressed genes was performed adapted from a well-established network biology based gene ranking method originally described in⁷. The method depends on the use of disease-specific human protein-protein interactions (PPIs) with overall good data coverage and overall good quality. For this work, we choose the HAPPI database^{8,9}, currently in version 2.0, which comprehensively compiled PPI data from sources including bioGRID¹⁰ and STRING¹¹ with quantitative PPI data confidence information. To assign weights to genes from a particular biological condition, we choose a weight score r_p for each gene, calculated using

$$r_p = k \ln\left(\sum_{q \in NET} conf(p, q)\right) - \ln\left(\sum_{q \in NET} N(p, q)\right)$$

where p and q are indices for proteins in the disease gene/protein association network constructed from one-layer neighborhood node expansions into the HAPPI PPI database (quality threshold ≥ 0.75), k is an empirical constant ($k=2$ in this study), $conf(p, q)$ is the confidence score assigned to each interaction between protein p and q , and $N(p, q)$ holds the value of 1 if the protein p interacts with q .

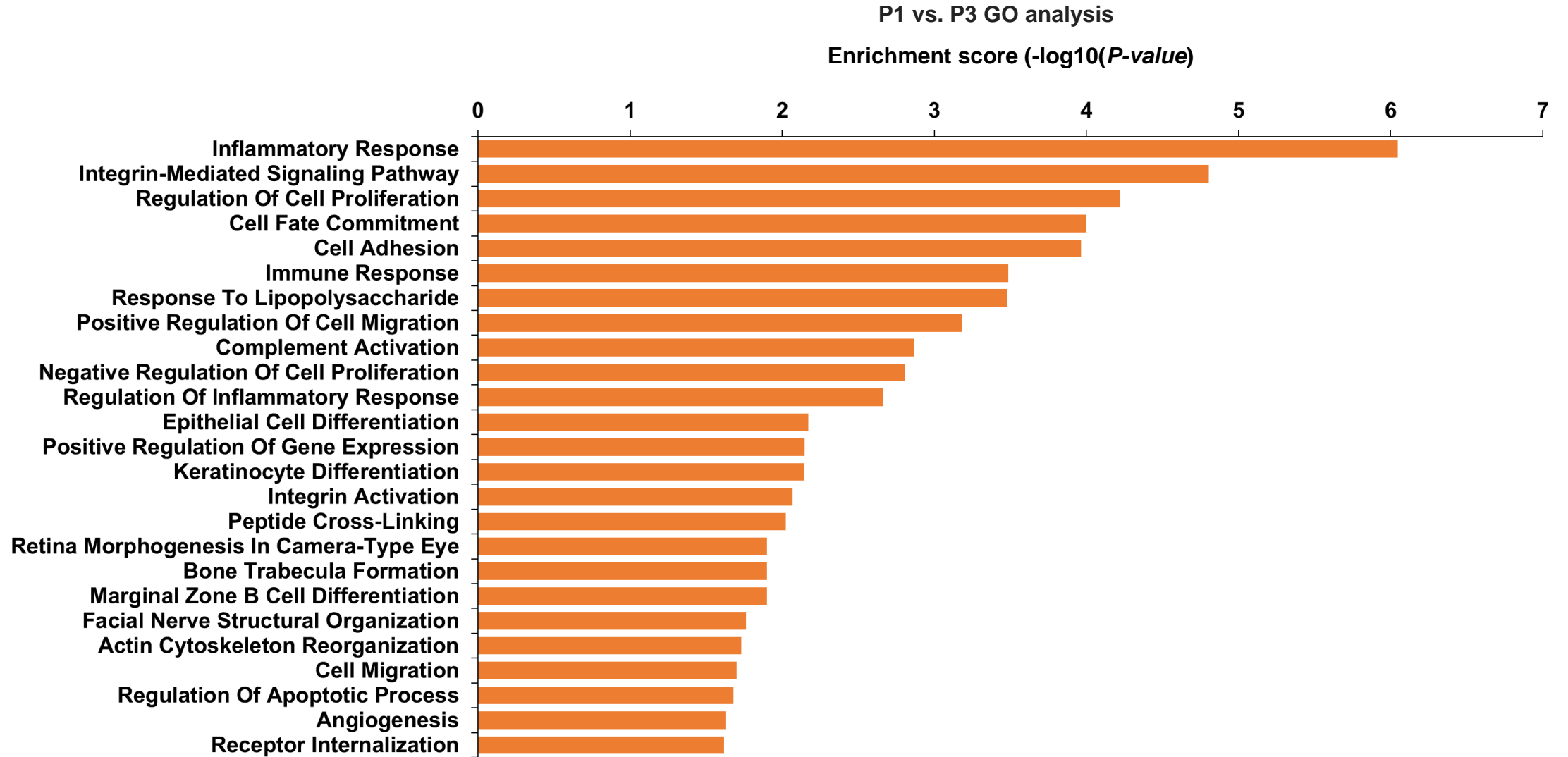
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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Supplemental Figure I. Gene ontology (GO) analysis and pathway analysis for the differentially expressed genes between P1, P3, and P14. GO analysis according to biological processes for (A) P1 vs. P3, (C) P1 vs. P14, and (E) P3 vs. P14. Pathway analysis for gene enrichment for (B) P1 vs. P3, (D) P1 vs. P14, and (F) P3 vs. P14. Genes involved in inflammatory and immune response, cell proliferation, apoptosis, and angiogenesis were highly enriched.

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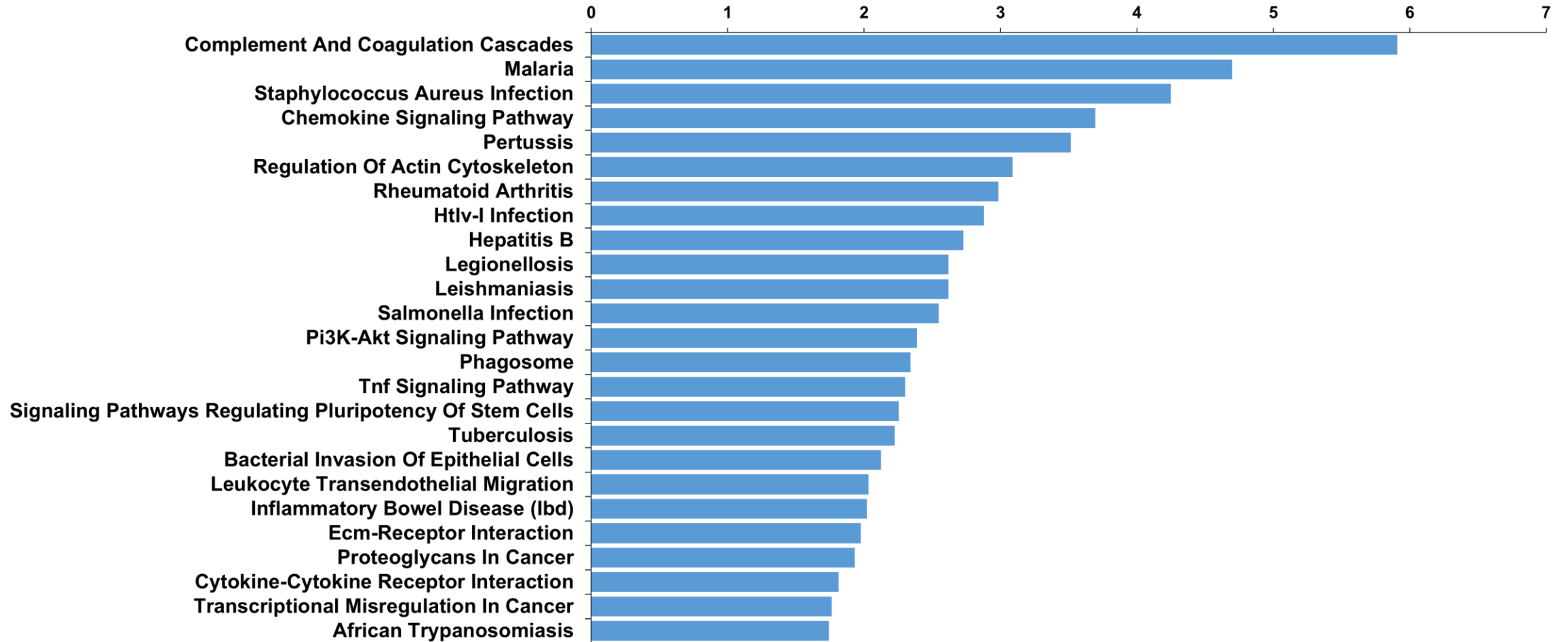


Supplementary Figure I.

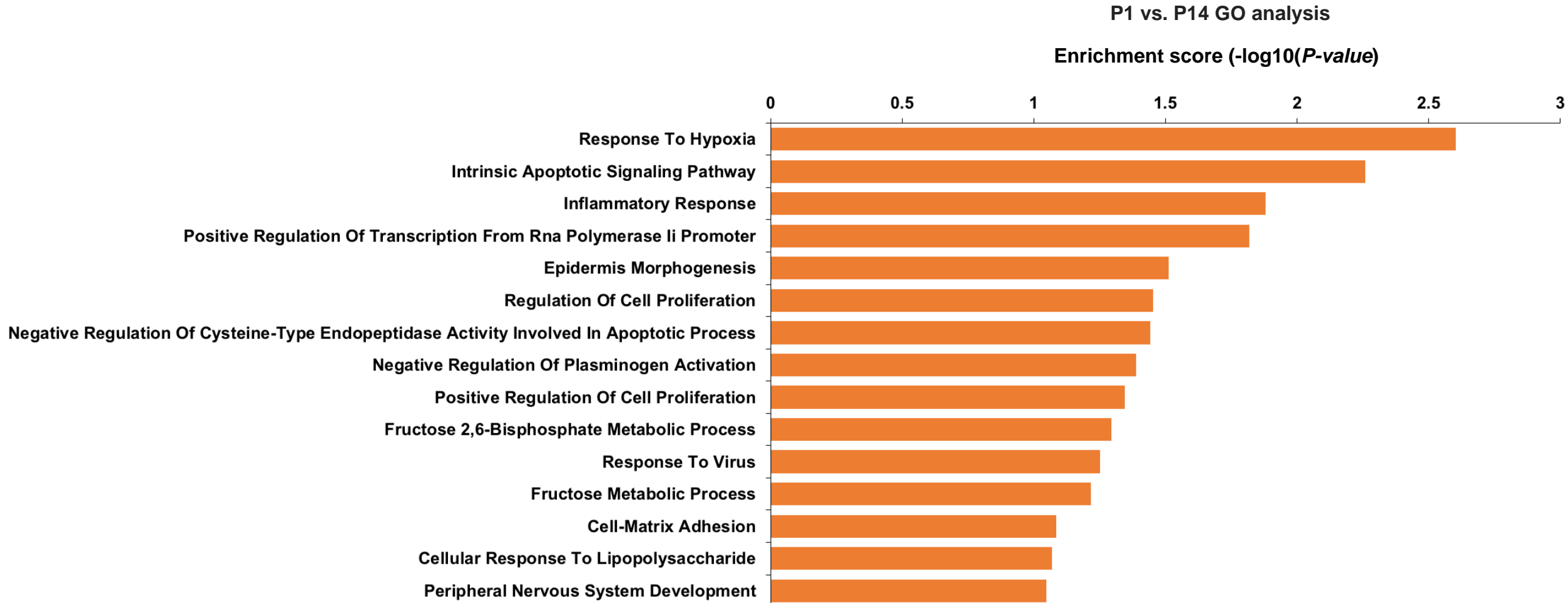
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P1 vs. P3 KEGG pathway enrichment

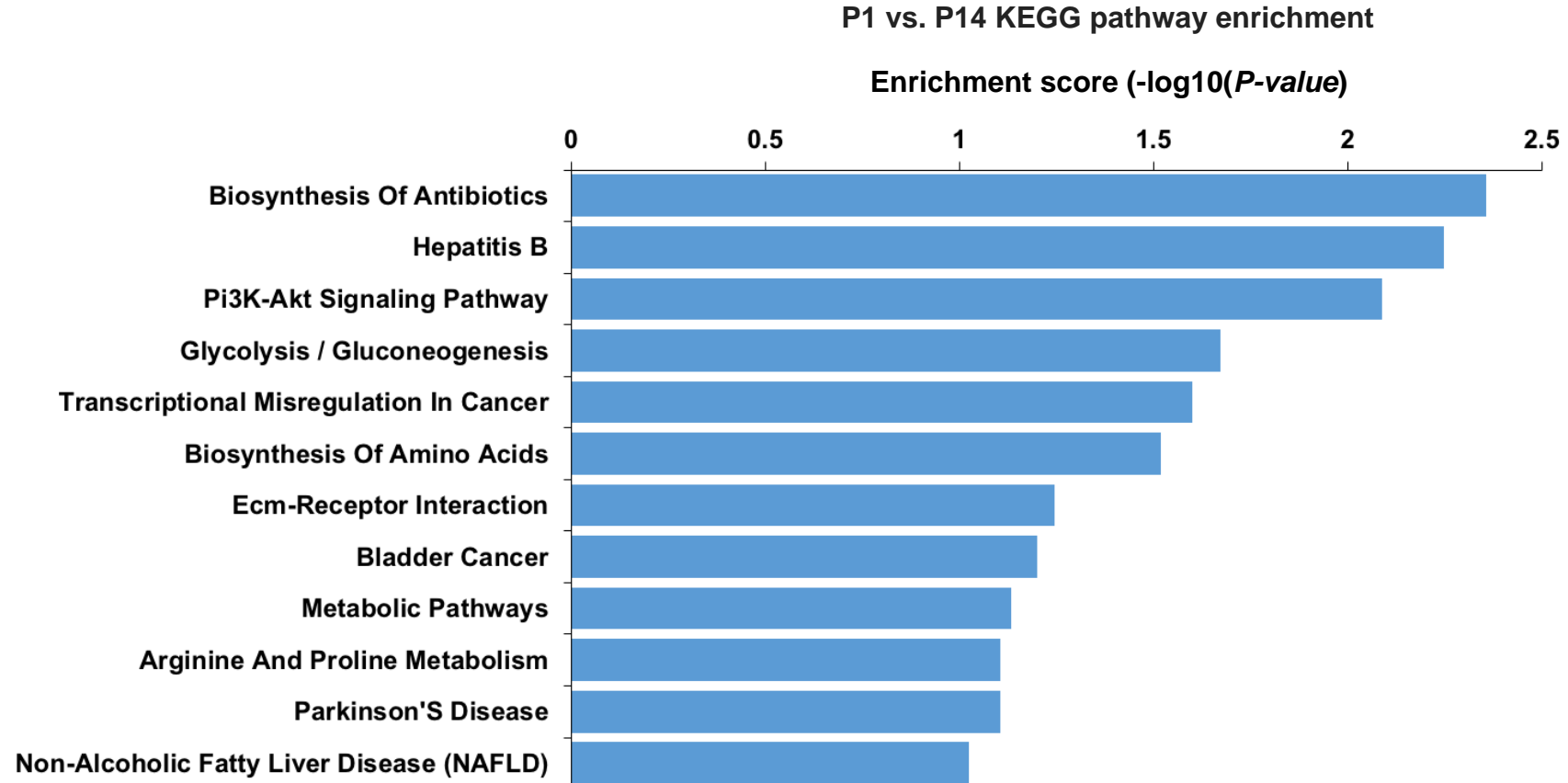
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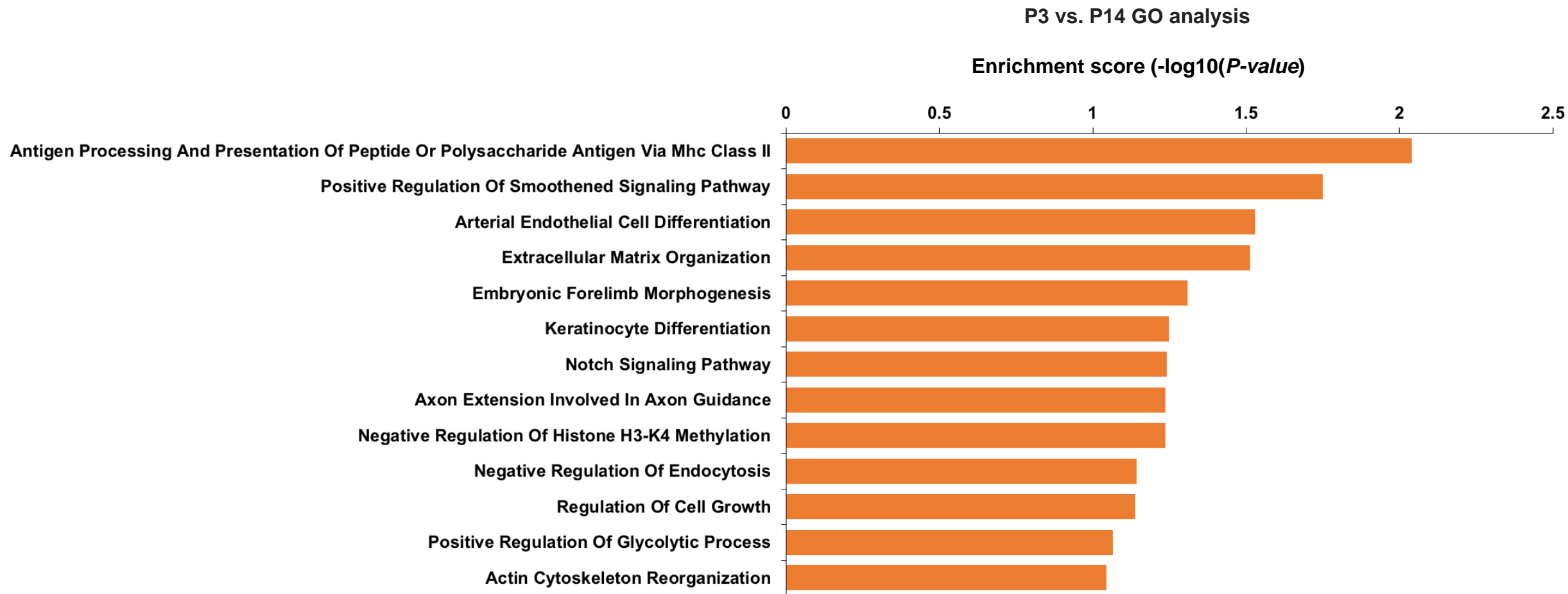
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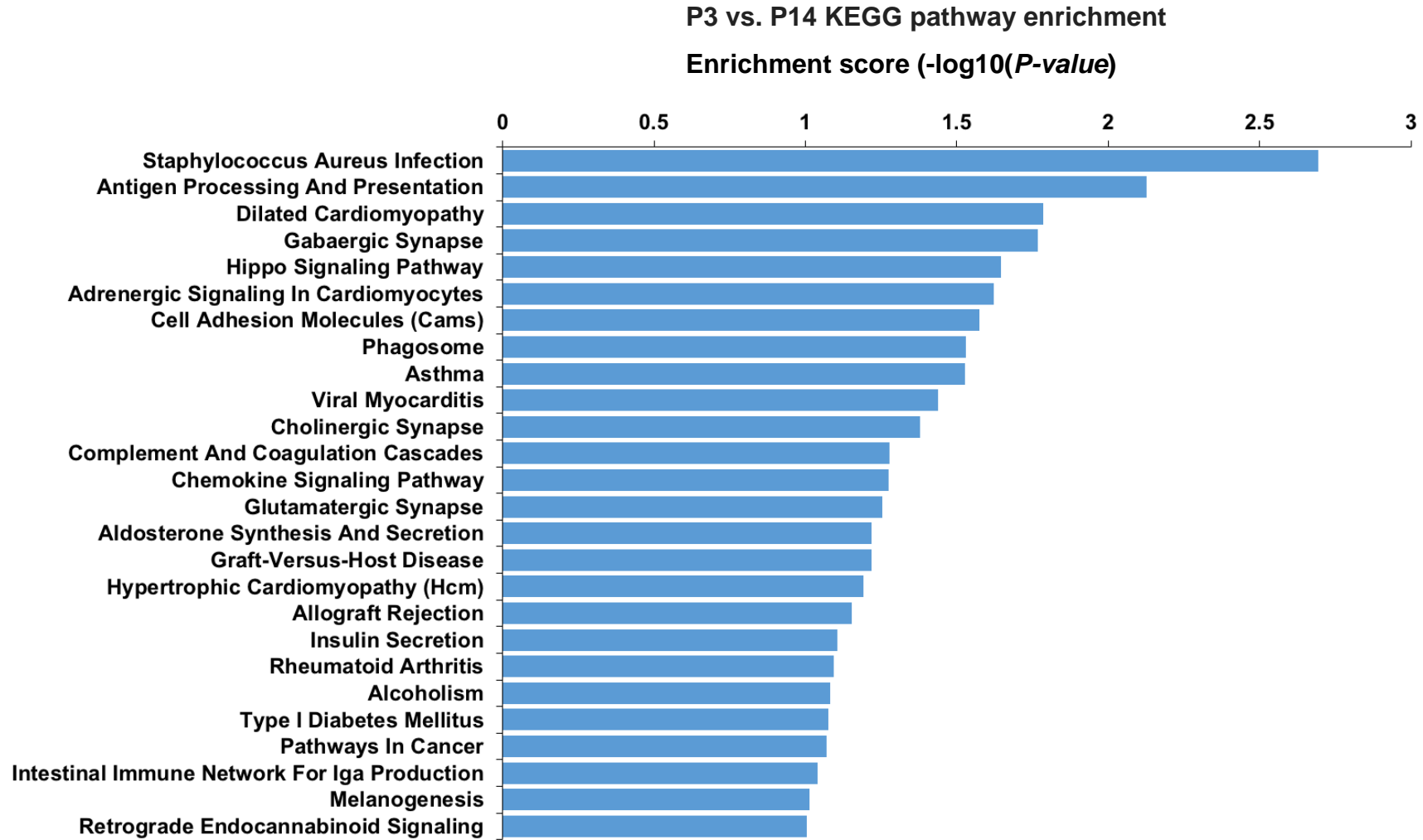
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Supplemental Table I. Antibodies.

Antigen	Manufacturer	Catalog #	Type	Immuno-histochemistry	Western blot
Cardiac Troponin T	R&D Systems	MAB1874	Mouse monoclonal	1:100	
Ki67	EMD Millipore	AB9260	Rabbit polyclonal	1:100	
Phosphorylated Histone H3 (serine 10)	EMD Millipore	06-570	Rabbit polyclonal	1:300	
Aurora B	EMD Millipore	04-1036	Rabbit Monoclonal	1:100	
Nkx2.5	R&D Systems	AF2444	Goat polyclonal	1:25	
Nkx2.5	Thermo Fisher Scientific	PA5-49431	Rabbit polyclonal		1:1500
GAPDH	Abcam	ab22555	Rabbit polyclonal		1:1000
FITC-donkey anti-mouse	Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratory	715-095-150	Polyclonal	1:200	
Cy TM 3 -donkey anti-rabbit	Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratory	711-165-152	Polyclonal	1:200	
Cy5-donkey anti-mouse	Jackson ImmunoResearch Laboratory	715-175-150	Polyclonal	1:200	

Supplemental Table II. Sample information for RNA sequencing

Sample Name	File Name	Condition
P1_1	7640_S9	P1
P1_2	7690_2_S3	P1
P3_1	7654_S10	P3
P3_2	7655_S8	P3
P3_3	7657_S11	P3
P14_1	7618_S8	P14
P14_2	7619_S9	P14

Supplemental Table III. Top 25 genes that are differentially expressed between P1 and P3 conditions ranked by network centrality measures (RP Score).

Rank	Symbol	P1 vs. P3 (logFC)	RP Score
1	FN1	-3.13	270.62
2	ACTB	-1.45	195.78
3	STAT3	-0.84	174.25
4	FOS	-3.41	172.77
5	ANXA1	-1.38	141.02
6	ADCY4	-1.05	131.52
7	SHC1	-0.66	130.29
8	CCNB1	2.49	127.95
9	LPAR1	-2.03	122.39
10	VIM	-1.44	115.42
11	BDKRB1	-5.68	113.11
12	RGS19	-1.47	111.44
13	RUVBL1	0.75	108.30
14	CDH1	-4.11	102.12
15	TNFRSF1A	-0.79	98.39
16	VAV1	-2.35	97.68
17	PTGS2	-2.96	96.34
18	C3	-3.82	87.57
19	SNCA	-3.19	82.98
20	HCK	-2.99	81.18
21	RGS2	-2.76	80.76
22	JAK3	-2.26	80.30
23	PTK2B	-1.53	79.47
24	CXCR6	-3.53	79.43
25	FGR	-2.46	71.5

Supplemental Table IV. Top 25 genes that are differentially expressed between P1 and P14 conditions ranked by network centrality measures (RP Score).

Rank	Symbol	P1 vs. P14 (logFC)	RP Score
1	MYC	-1.56	291.72
2	FOS	-4.63	156.84
3	CCND1	1.34	140.85
4	CXCR2	-9.47	86.83
5	PTGS2	-2.86	81.01
6	PKM	1.24	79.54
7	F2R	0.82	76.75
8	RGS2	-2.12	76.66
9	RPS2	-2.33	76.01
10	CXCL2	-3.78	70.88
11	RGS1	-4.13	68.69
12	DYNLL1	1.34	64.08
13	SOCS3	-2.54	58.86
14	EIF1AY	24.77	56.67
15	NR4A1	-3.54	54.79
16	NXF1	-1.04	52.88
17	GAB2	-0.79	51.57
18	ARHGEF25	-0.89	51.27
19	PCF11	-1.04	48.85
20	ISG15	2.47	47.84
21	STAT6	-1.19	46.98
22	CCNA1	7.38	44.70
23	THBS1	-2.92	44.66
24	NDE1	-1.12	42.09
25	PLAU	-1.57	39.12

Supplemental Table V. Top 25 genes that are differentially expressed between P3 and P14 conditions ranked by network centrality measures (RP Score).

Rank	Symbol	P3 vs P14 (logFC)	Rp Score
1	ACTB	1.26	189.55
2	ANXA1	1.39	170.94
3	LPAR1	1.43	151.69
4	BDKRB1	5.24	141.42
5	ADCY4	1.31	139.34
6	RGS19	1.19	136.49
7	CDH1	3.40	105.52
8	GAL	5.07	90.65
9	PYY	6.39	84.34
10	HTR1D	-4.17	83.67
11	ADRA1B	-1.78	81.32
12	MET	1.77	79.49
13	PPARGC1A	-1.01	75.64
14	TAC3	6.88	74.00
15	NR4A1	-2.34	73.33
16	DNMT1	-1.35	67.40
17	ISG15	1.98	65.13
18	GAB2	-0.86	54.95
19	TSHR	5.99	54.76
20	CDC45	1.38	54.56
21	NGFR	2.74	51.51
22	CAMK2A	-1.05	49.81
23	AVPR2	2.12	48.89
24	SEC61B	1.09	47.52
25	FABP4	1.90	44.70