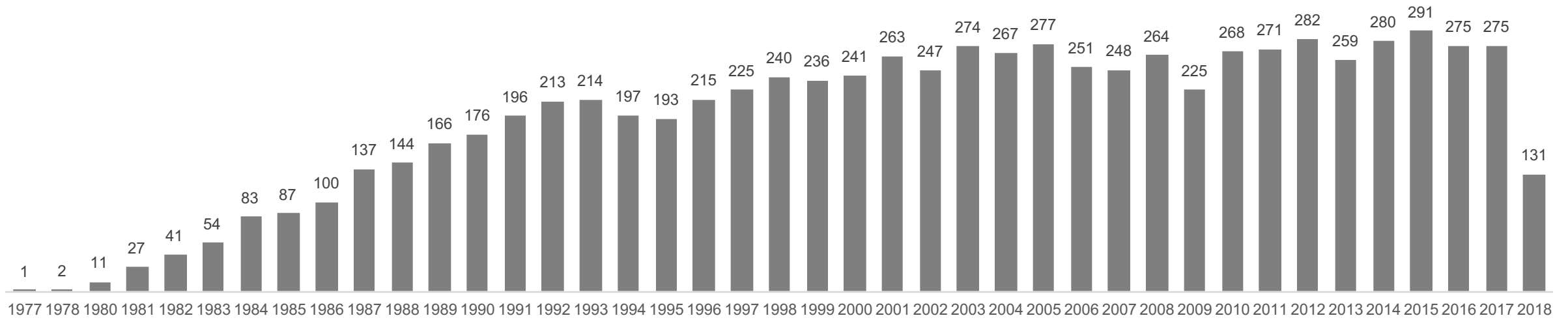


# Updates on Pseudogene Analysis in Human and Mouse

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**GENCODE meeting**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2018**



**1977**

**1980s** Pseudogenes' structure & formation mechanisms

### A Pseudogene Structure in 5S DNA of *Xenopus laevis*

C. Jacq, J. R. Millier and G.G. Browniae

**Pseudogene** “has homologous structure, [is] nearly as long as, and almost an exact repeat of, the gene itself”

**1990s** Pseudogenes are **non functional, evolutionary fossils**

**2000-present**

**GENCODE**

**mod ENCODE**

**Systematic annotation** and analysis of **pseudogene** complements in genomes of **human** and **model organisms**

# The Gerstein lab has a long history in pseudogene annotation and analysis

D738–D743 *Nucleic Acids Research*, 2009, Vol. 37, Database issue  
doi:10.1093/nar/gkn758 Published online 28 October 2008

## Pseudofam: the pseudogene families database

Hugo  
Kei-H

**BIOINFORMATICS ORIGINAL PAPER** Vol. 22 no. 12 2006, p.  
doi:10.1093/bio

*Genome analysis*

## PseudoPipe: an automated pseudogene identification pipeline

## Pseudogene.org: A comprehensive database and comparison platform for pseudogene annotation

John Karro<sup>1,†</sup>, Yangpan Yan<sup>2</sup>, Deyou Zheng<sup>2</sup>, Zhaolei Zhang<sup>3</sup>, Nicholas Carriero<sup>4</sup>, Paul Harrison<sup>5</sup> and Mark Gerstein<sup>2,‡</sup>

## The Real Life of Pseudogenes

By Mark Gerstein and Deyou Zheng

Pei et al. *Genome Biology* 2012, 13:R51  
http://genomebiology.com/2012/13/9/R51



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## The GENCODE pseudogene resource

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Paul M. Harrison<sup>5</sup>

## Comparative analysis of pseudogenes across three phyla

Zhang  
http://

Cristina Sisu<sup>a,b,1</sup>, Baikang Pei<sup>a,1</sup>, Jing Leng<sup>a,1</sup>, Adam Frankish<sup>c,1</sup>, Yan Zhang<sup>a,1</sup>, Suganthi Balasubramanian<sup>b</sup>, Rachel Harte<sup>d</sup>, Daifeng Wang<sup>a</sup>, Michael Rutenberg-Schoenberg<sup>a</sup>, Wyatt Clark<sup>a</sup>, Mark Diekhans<sup>d</sup>, Joel Rozowsky<sup>b</sup>, Tim Hubbard<sup>c</sup>, Jennifer Harrow<sup>c</sup>, and Mark B. Gerstein<sup>a,b,e,2</sup>

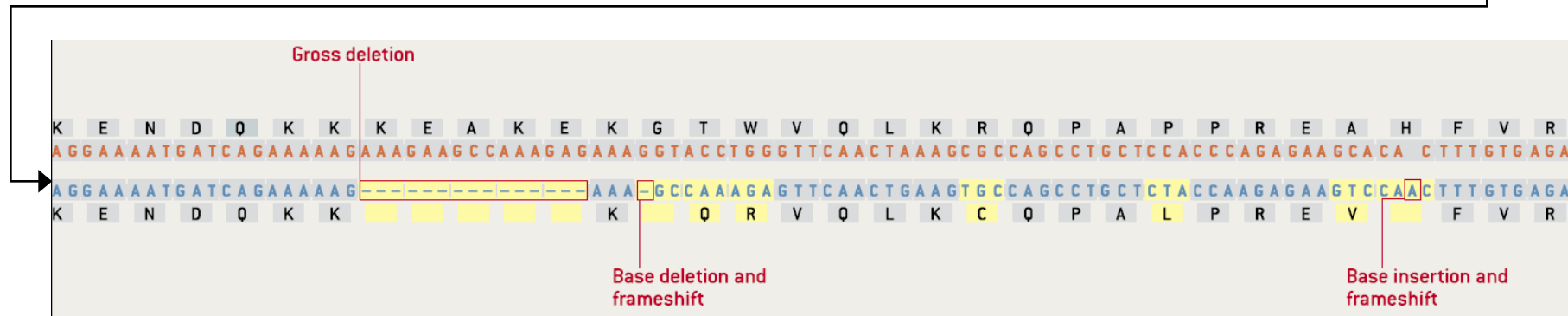
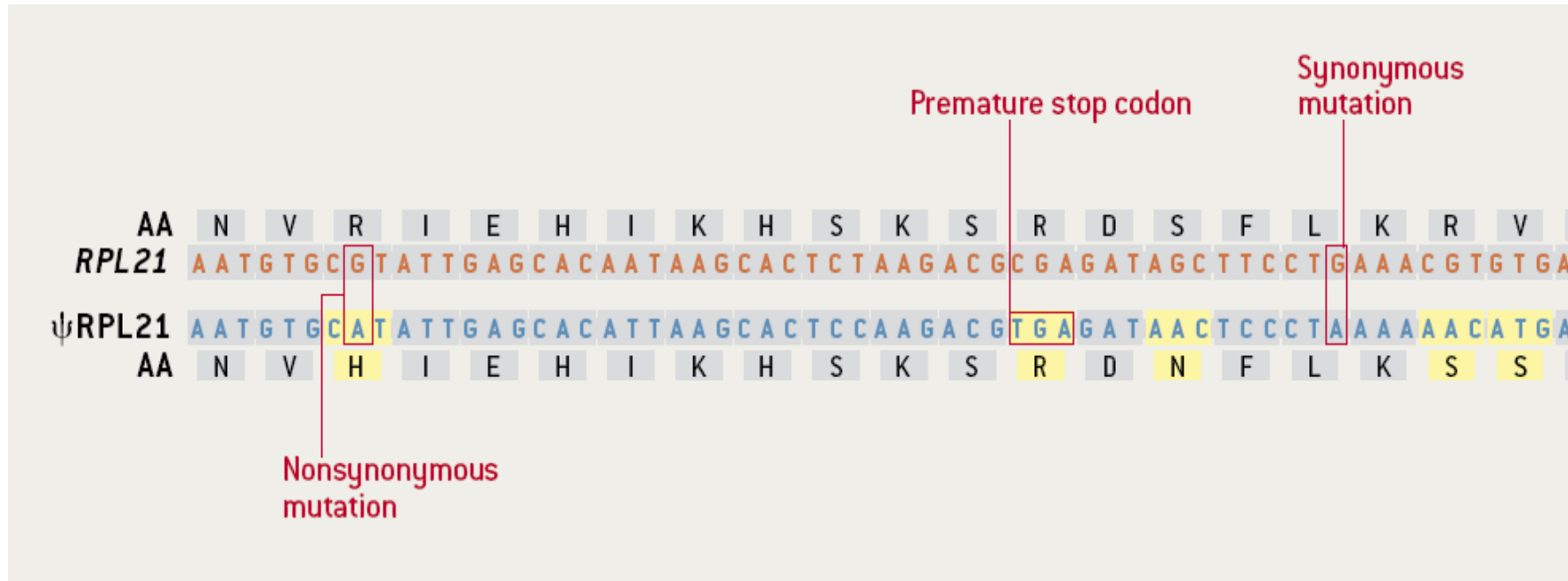
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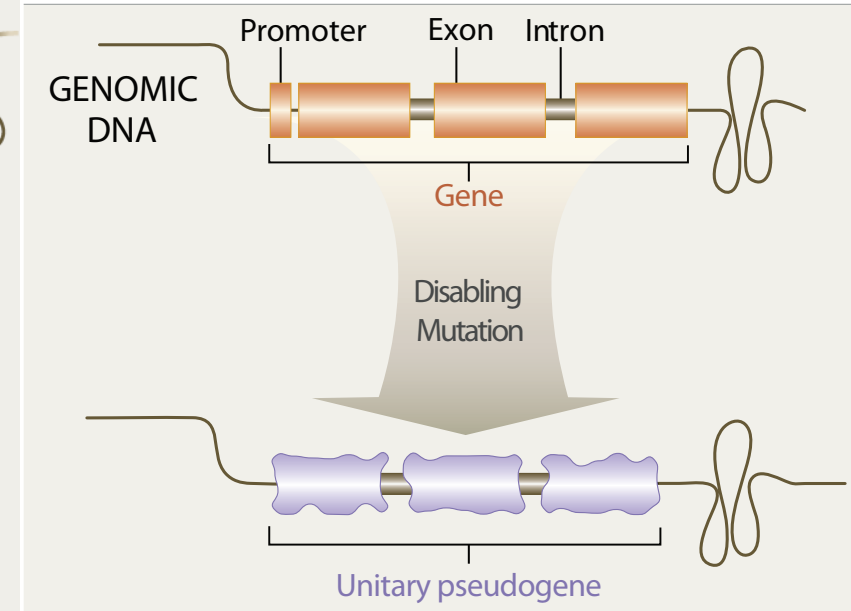
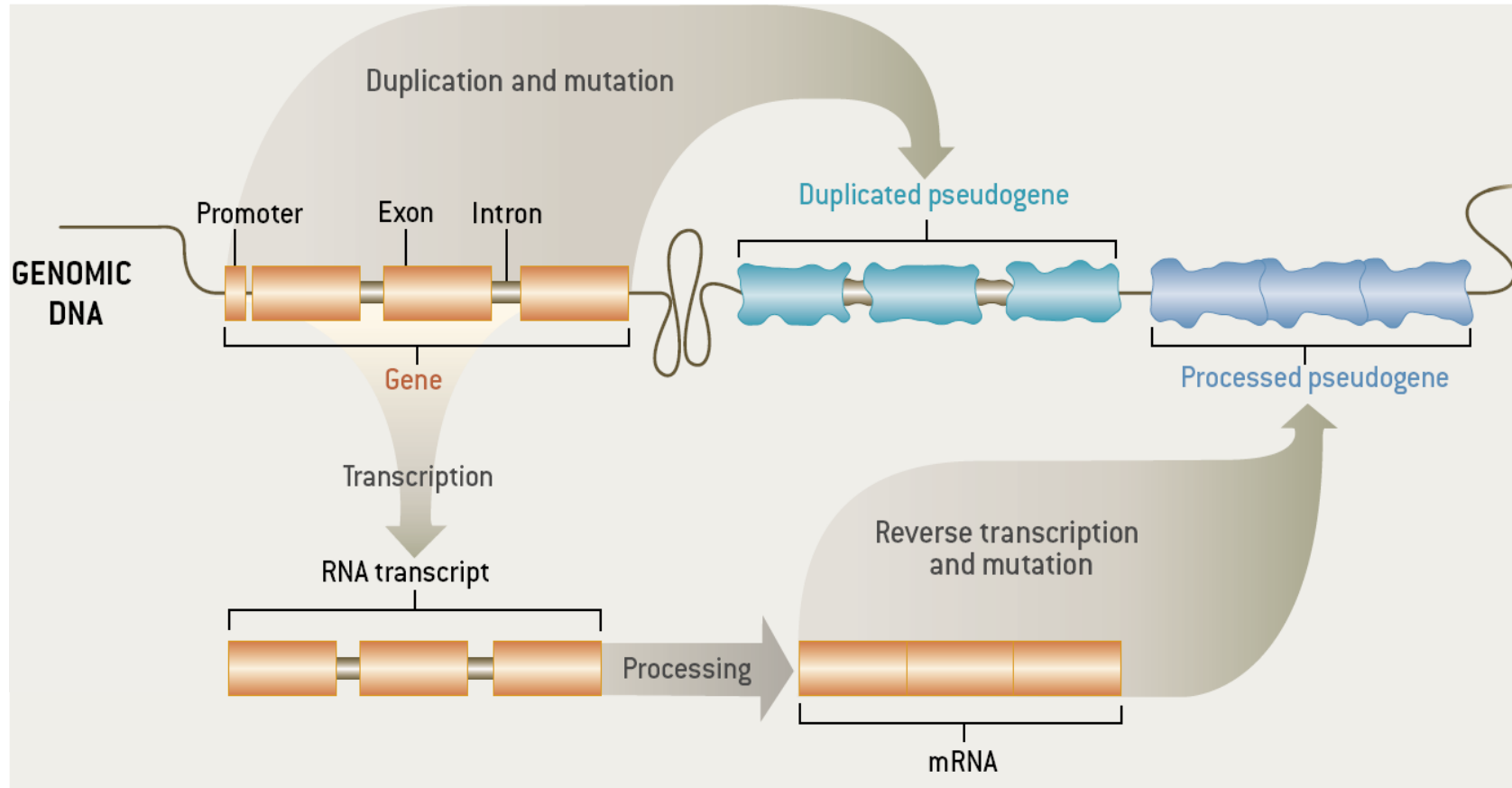
Identification and analysis of unitary pseudogenes: historic and contemporary gene losses in humans and other primates

Zhengdong D Zhang<sup>1</sup>, Adam Frankish<sup>2</sup>, Toby Hunt<sup>2</sup>, Jennifer Harrow<sup>2</sup>, Mark Gerstein<sup>1,3,4\*</sup>

# A canonical pseudogene



# Review of pseudogene biogenesis

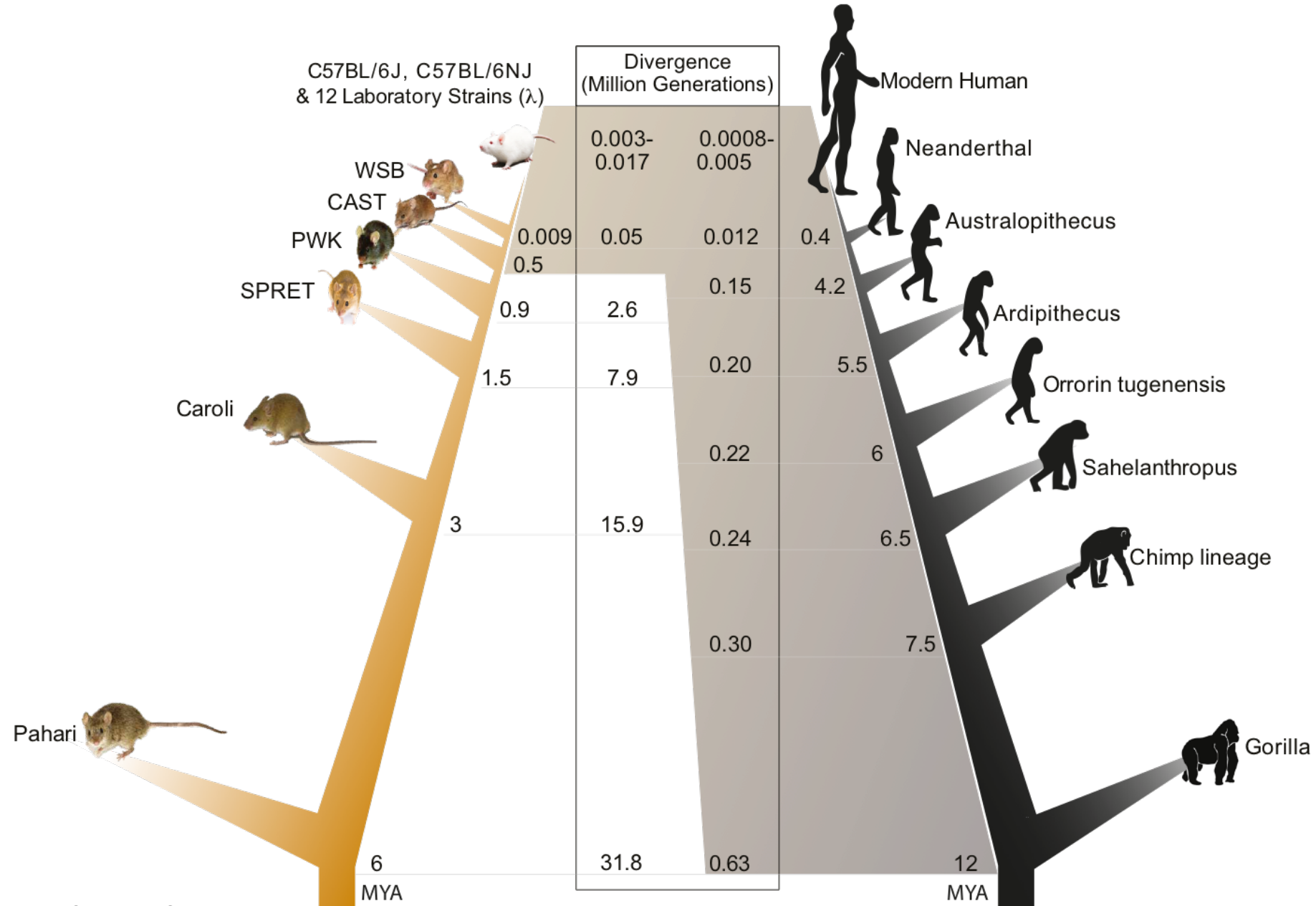


## Future work

- Finalize the annotation for mouse
- Improve the annotation in mouse strains
- Pseudogenes as personalized annotations
- Pseudogene annotation customized for human disease studies

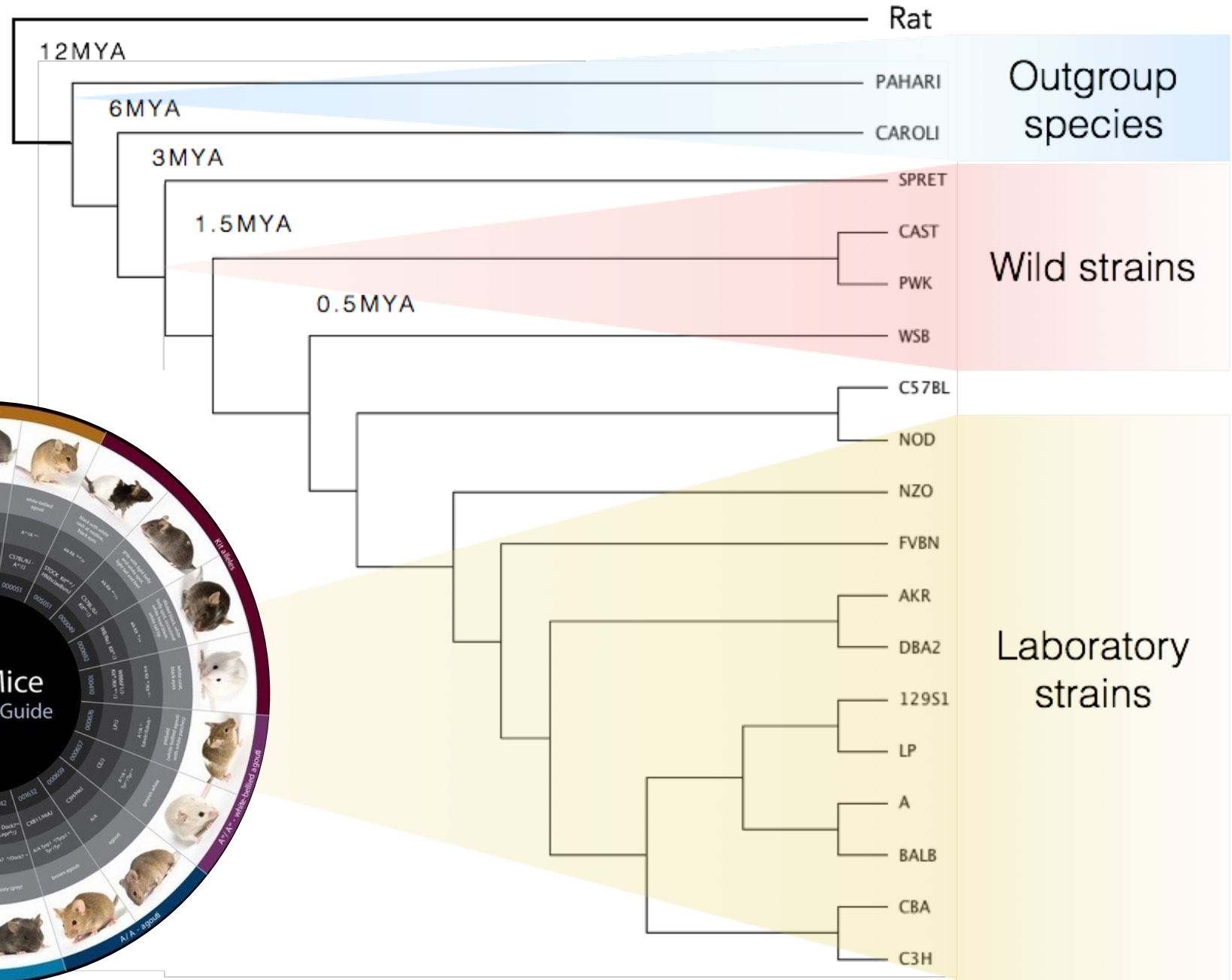
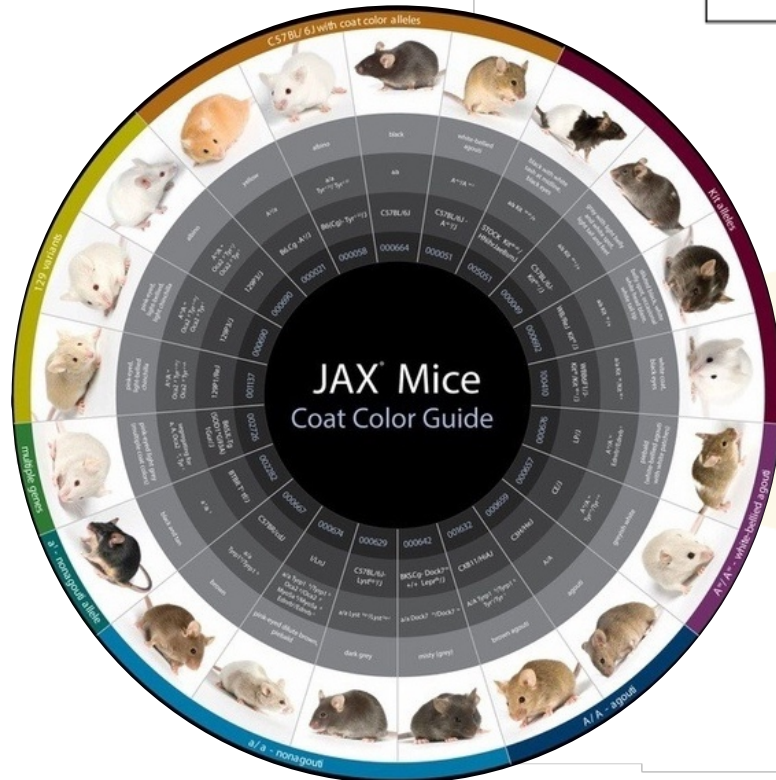
# Pseudogenes in the mouse lineage

# Comparisons across the mouse and primate lineages

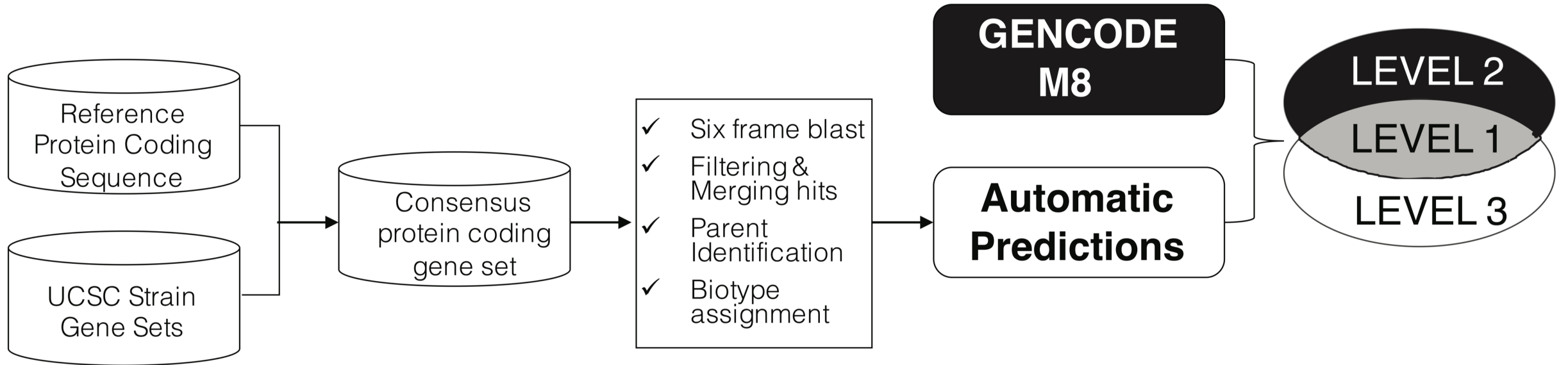




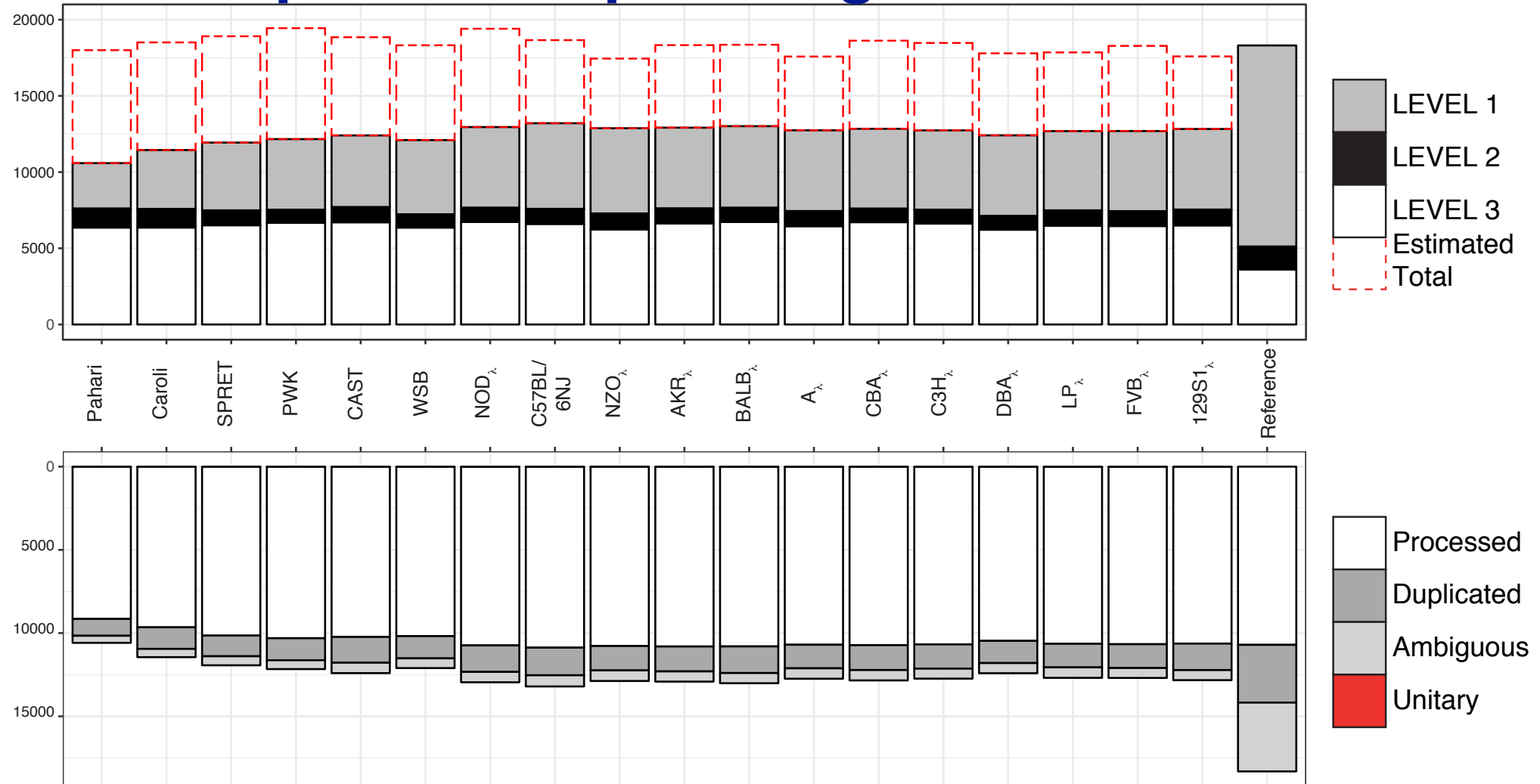
# Mouse strains



# Pseudogene annotation pipeline



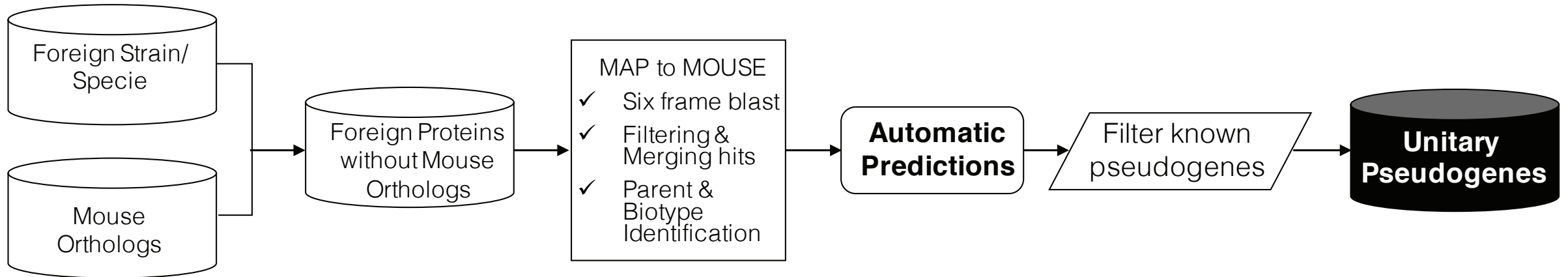
# Comparison of pseudogene annotations



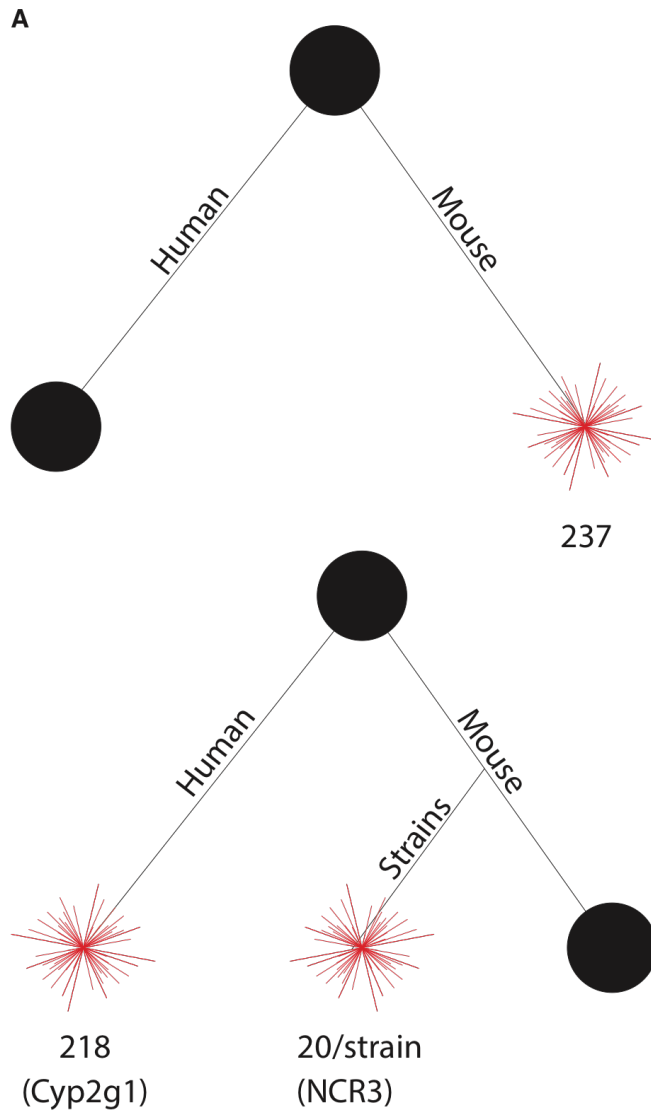
Mouse strains have comparable pseudogene contents in both size and biotype distribution.

Fewer annotations in more divergent species due to use of reference mouse coding set.

# Unitary pseudogenes in human and mouse lineages



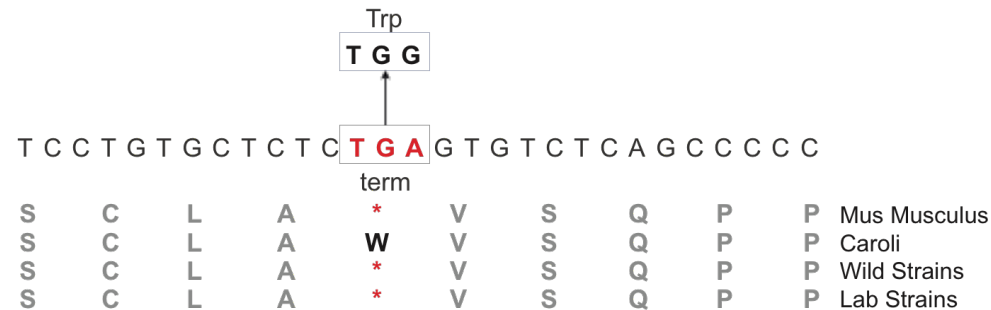
# Loss and gain of function in human and mouse lineages



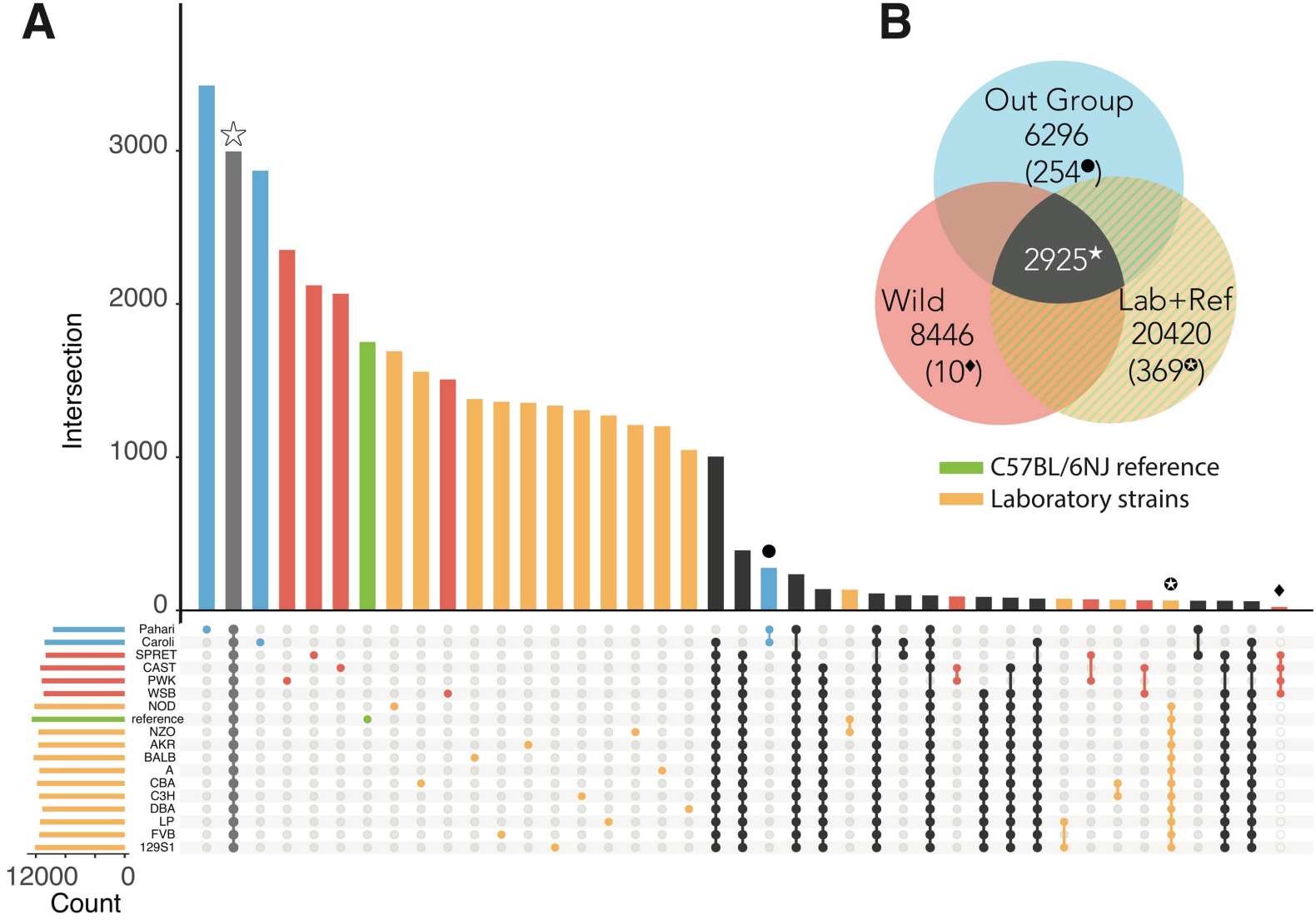
**B**  
Cyp2g1 unitary pseudogene in human with respect to mouse



**C**  
NCR3 pseudogene unitary pseudogene with respect to Mus Caroli

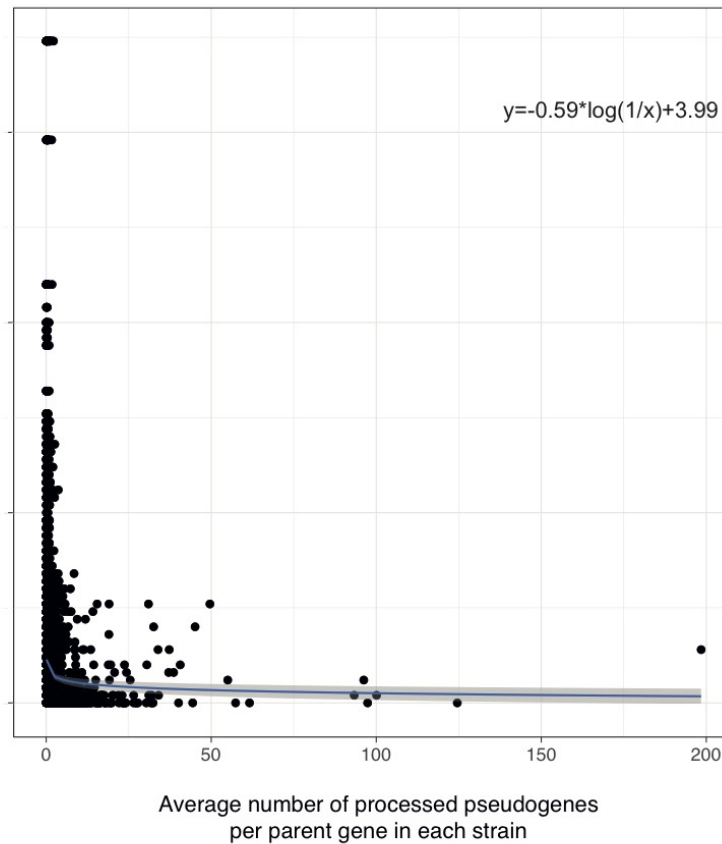
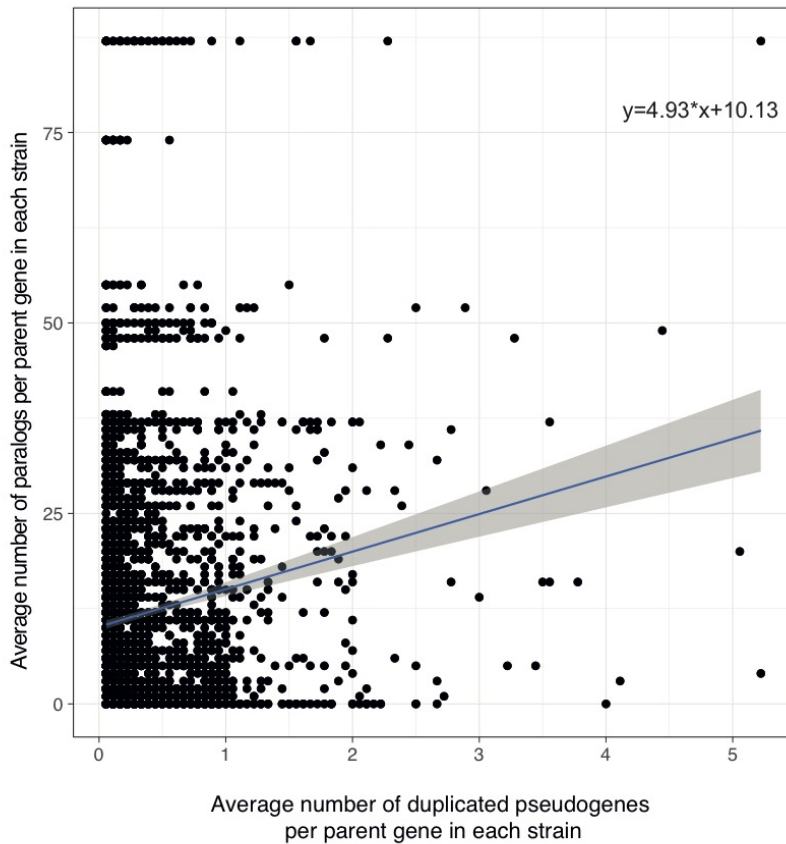


# Pan-genome pseudogene annotation distribution

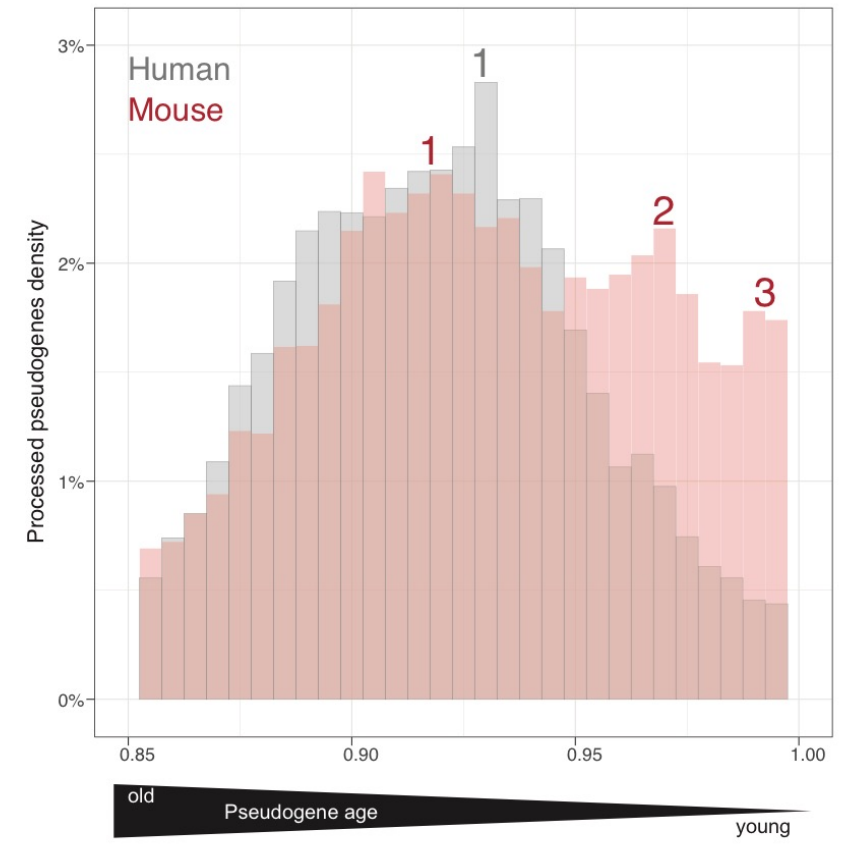


# Historical patterns of transposon-mediated pseudogene genesis

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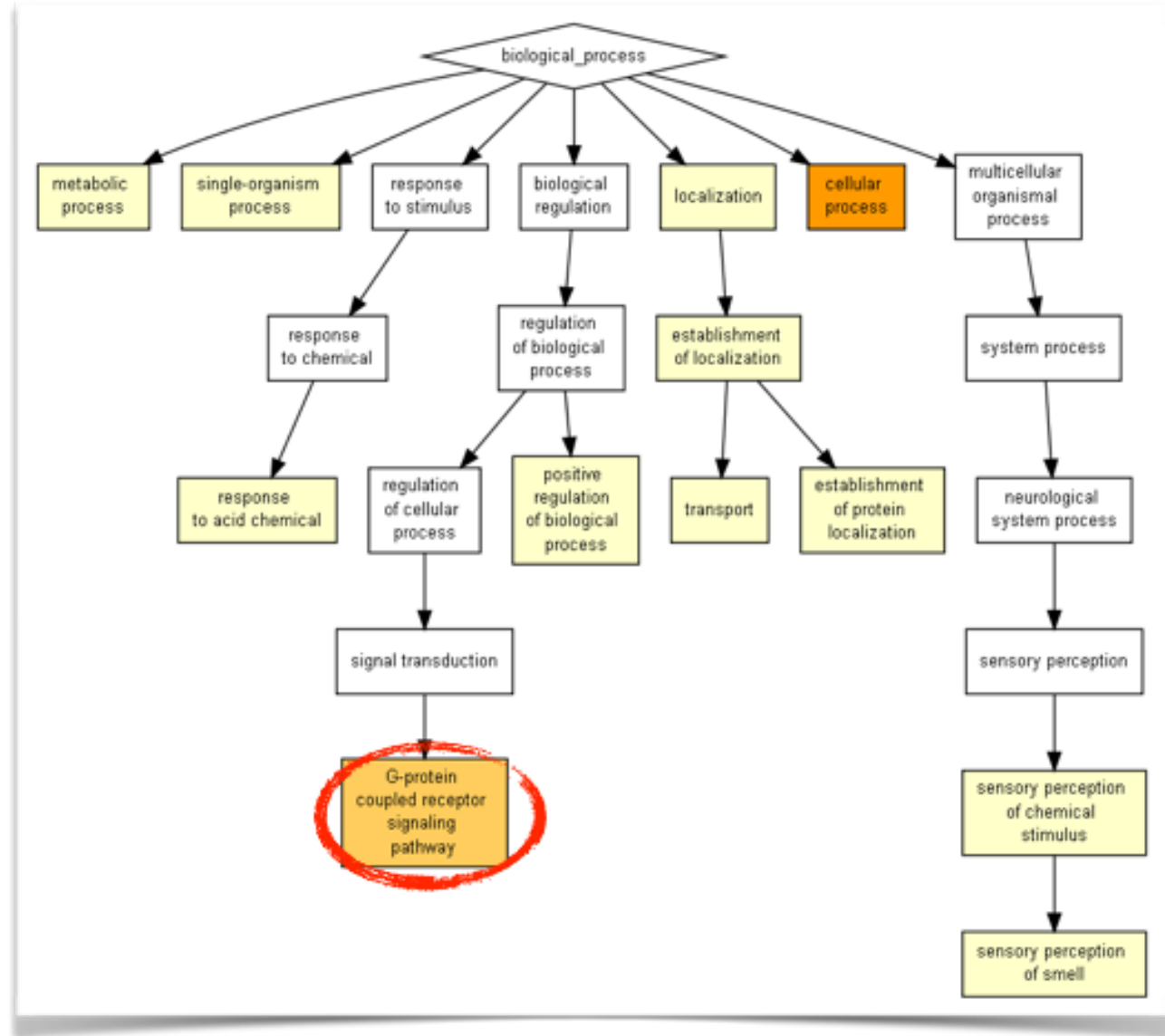


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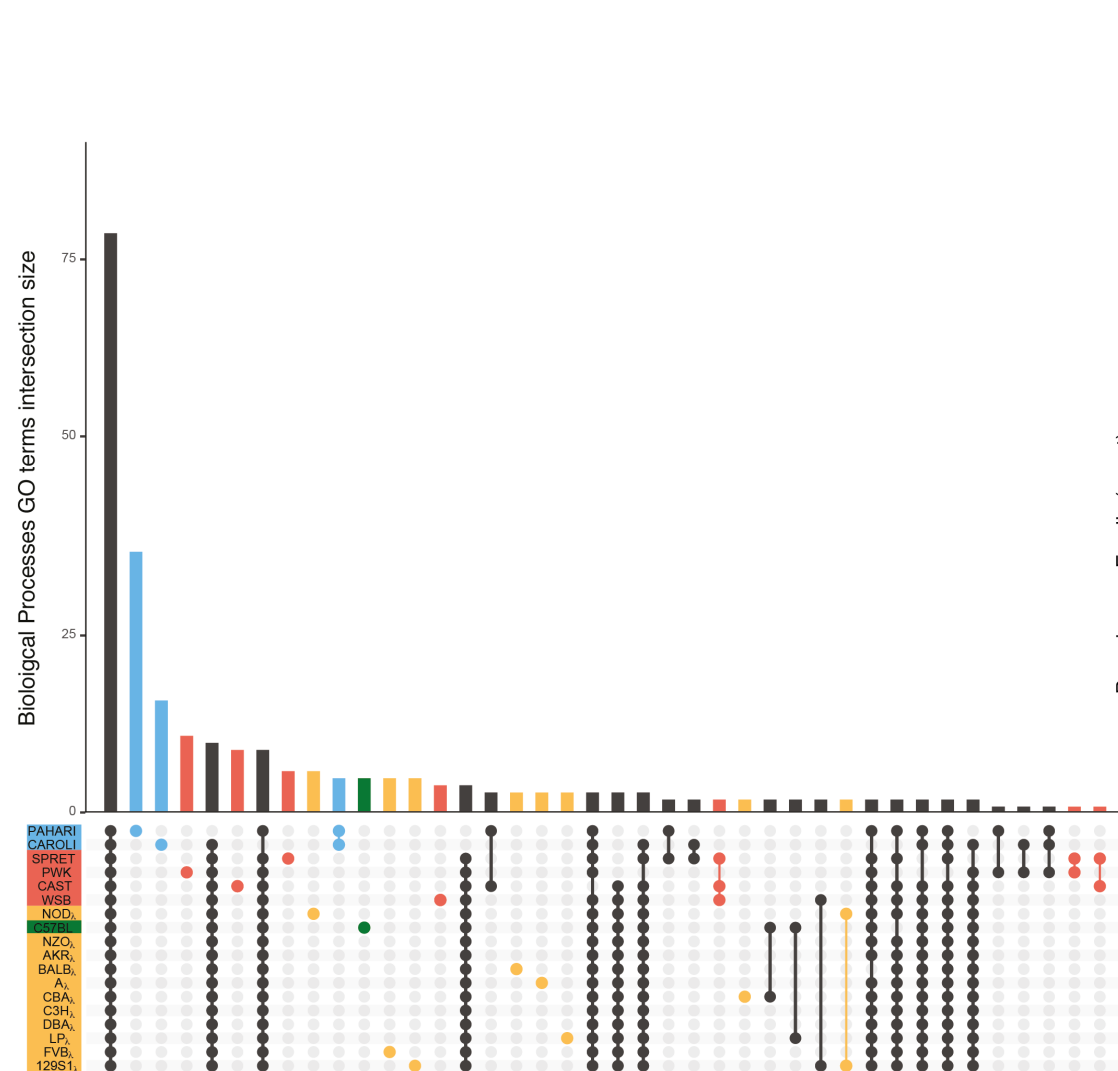
# Gene Ontology enrichment analysis of parent genes

Highly abundant protein families show up in GO analysis of pseudogenes.





# Cross strain gene ontology and Pfam family analysis of pseudogenes



Legend	GapDH	Ribosomal	RRM1	7tm	Misc	Kinase	Zn Finger										
Pahari	Caroli	SPRET	PWK	CAST	WSB	NOD <sub>λ</sub>	C57BL	NZO <sub>λ</sub>	AKR <sub>λ</sub>	BALB <sub>λ</sub>	A <sub>λ</sub>	CBA <sub>λ</sub>	C3H <sub>λ</sub>	DBA <sub>λ</sub>	LP <sub>λ</sub>	FVB <sub>λ</sub>	129S1 <sub>λ</sub>
358	417	406	562	393	372	399	396	412	401	395	321	402	396	393	381	363	399
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299	250	361	426	353	366	387	274	375	320	336	268	380	371	380	373	326	346
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36	39	56	40	29	39	9	10	24	39	11	77	3	9	8	57	9	77

# Gene Ontology term enrichment amongst pseudogenes (biological processes)

Processed and duplicated pseudogenes enriched for different functions.

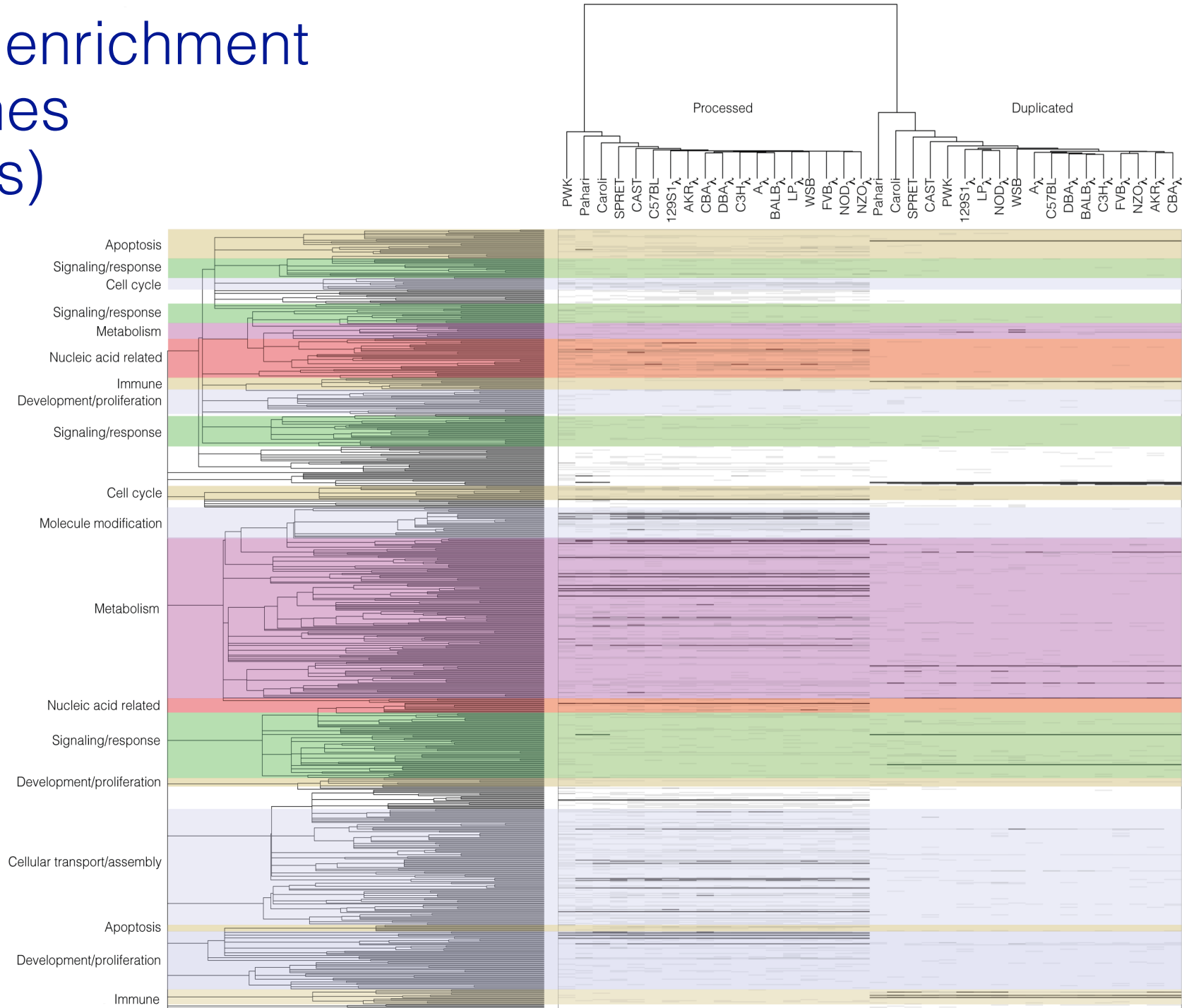
Processed pseudogenes enriched for:

- ribosomal functions
- cell cycle
- translation and RNA processing
- ubiquitination.

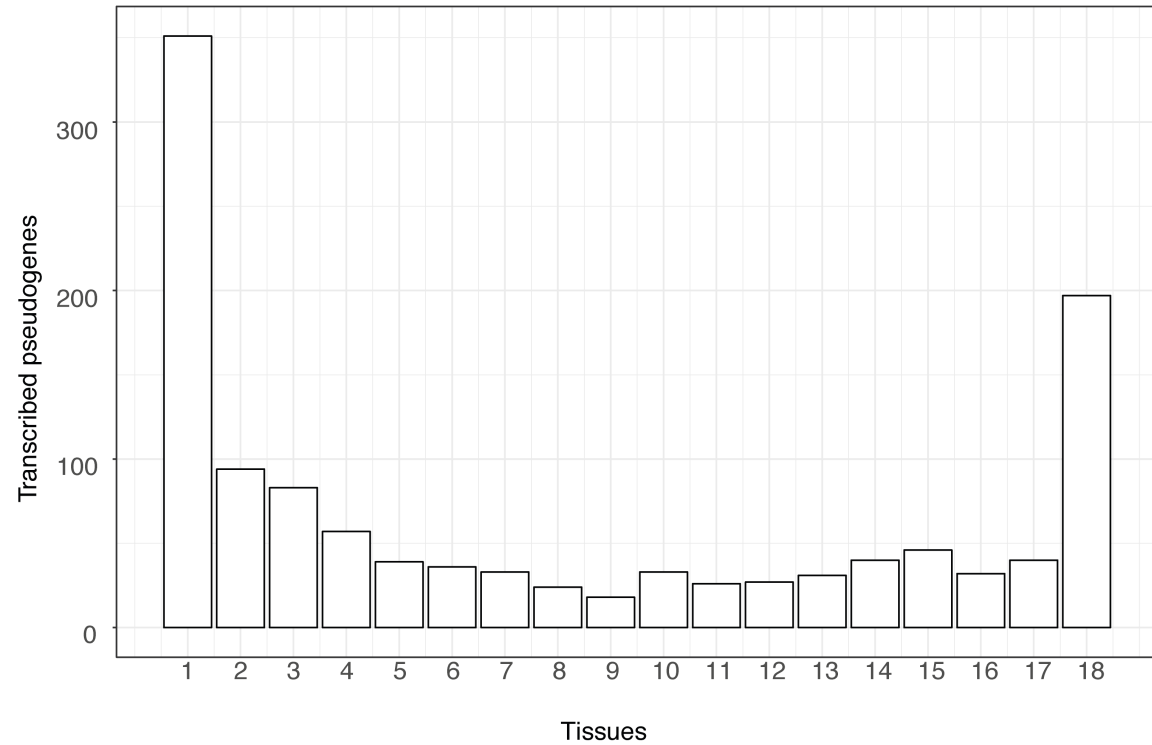
Duplicated pseudogenes enriched for:

- apoptosis
- sensory and olfactory processes
- immune functions.

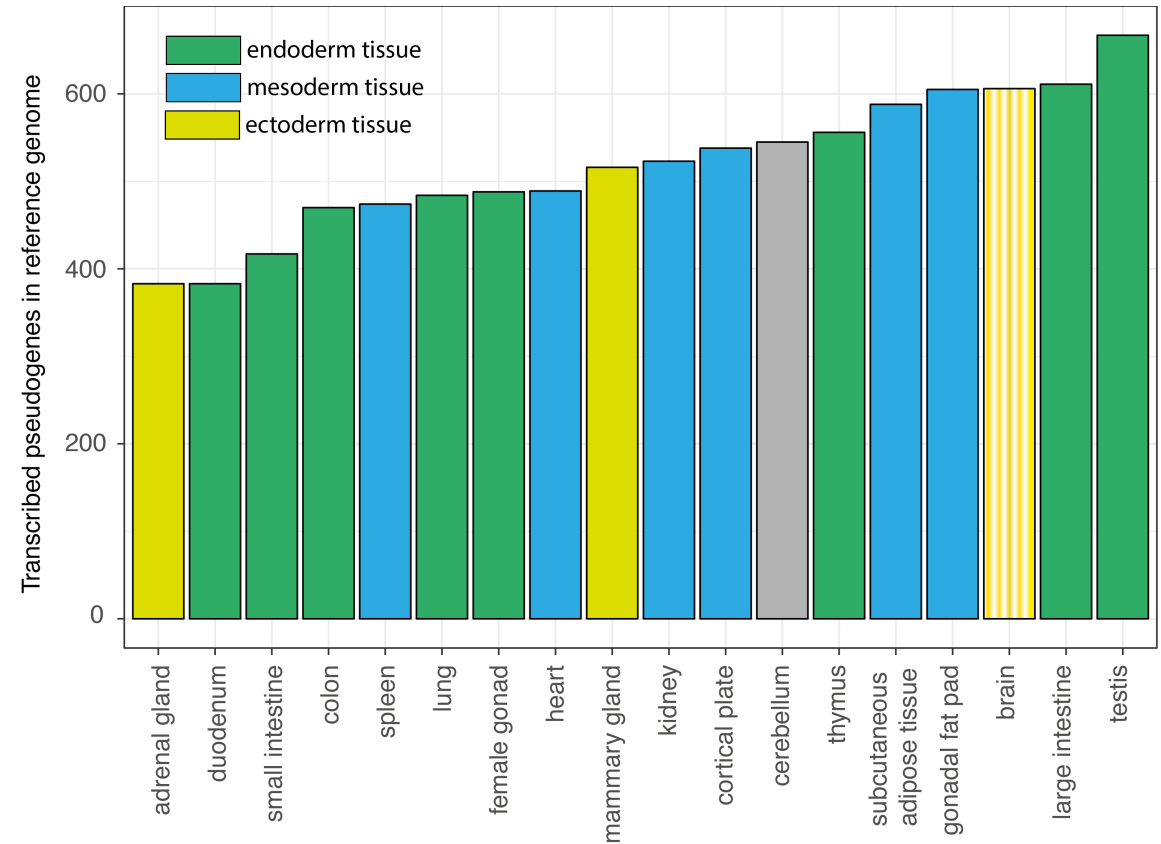
Clustering by functional semantic similarity



# Transcriptional activity in reference genome



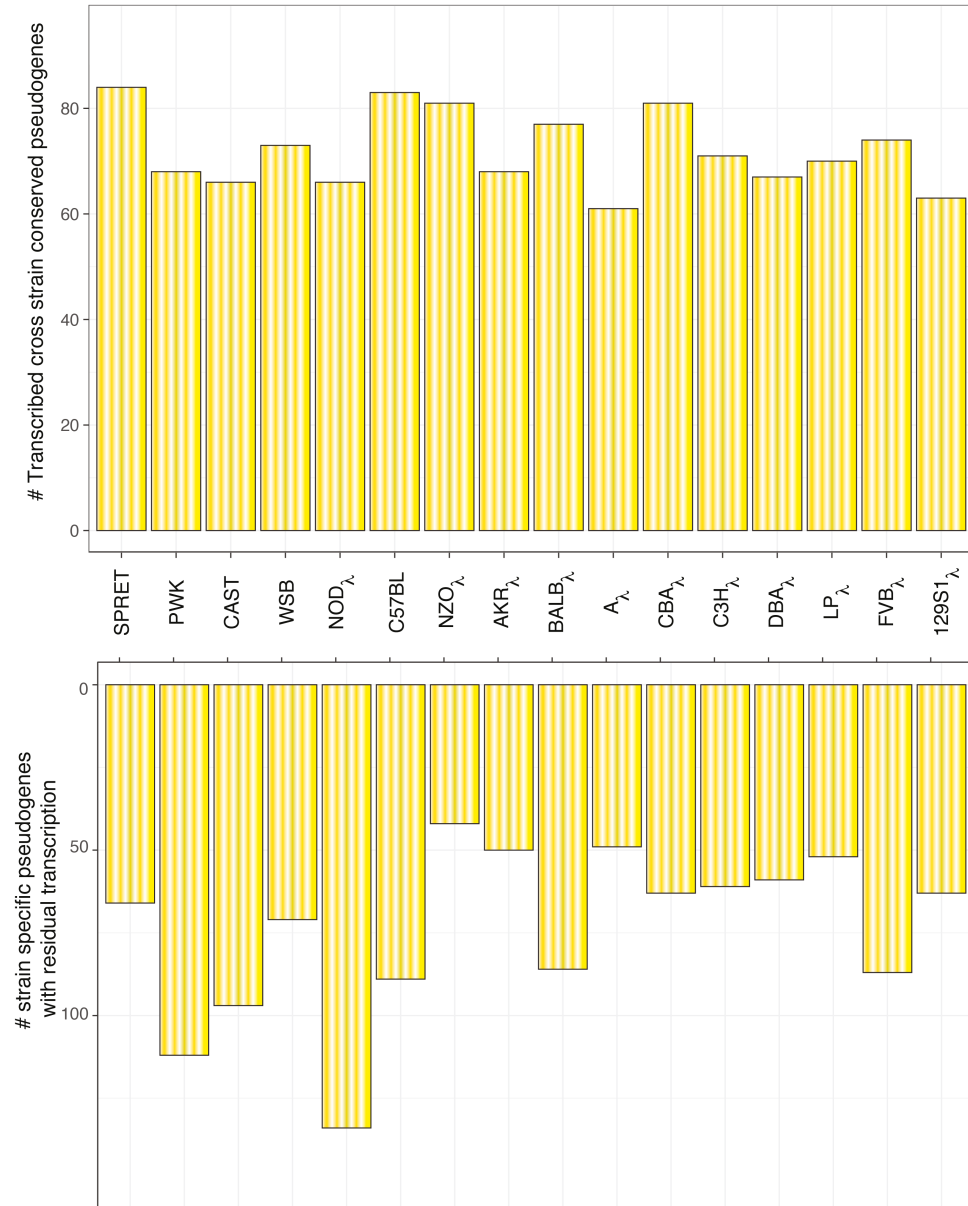
15% of mouse pseudogenes show evidence of residual transcription across multiple tissues

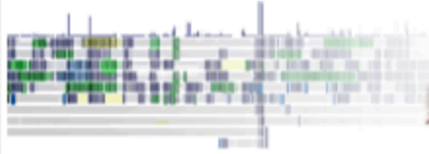


# Transcriptional activity in mouse strains

**Conserved pseudogenes with transcriptional activity** – this set of pseudogenes may need further review to ensure they are not misclassified functional elements.

**Strain-specific pseudogenes with transcriptional activity** – largely residual activity from pseudogenes with regulatory regions which have not decayed.





# Mouse Strains Pseudogenes

Welcome to the mouse strain pseudogene resource page!

This database contains the latest annotation and characterization of pseudogenes in 18 related mouse strains. The pseudogene annotation was produced using a combination of automatic pipeline annotation using [PseudoPipe](#) and lift over of manually curated pseudogenes from the reference genome to each of the strains.

The resulting annotation set is characterised by 3 confidence levels. **Level 1** pseudogenes are identified by both PseudoPipe and manual lift over, **Level 2** pseudogenes are identified only by lifting over the manually curated set of the reference genome to the strain of interest; and **Level 3** pseudogenes are curated using just the automatic annotation pipeline.

- **Reference:** Sisu, Muir et al. **Pseudogenes in the mouse lineage: transcriptional activity and strain-specific history**. Submitted [↗](#)
- **Supplementary information:** All the supplementary information associated with the paper is available [here](#).

## Annotation

### Reference Genome

The automatic pseudogene annotation for the mouse reference genome ([Gencode vM12](#), [Ensembl 87](#)) is available [here](#).

### Individual Strains

<a href="#">129S1/SvImJ</a>	<a href="#">AKR/J</a>	<a href="#">A/J</a>	<a href="#">BALB/cJ</a>	<a href="#">C3H/HeJ</a>	<a href="#">C57BL/6NJ</a>
<a href="#">Caroli/EiJ</a>	<a href="#">CAST/EiJ</a>	<a href="#">CBA/J</a>	<a href="#">DBA/2J</a>	<a href="#">FVB/NJ</a>	<a href="#">LP/J</a>
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### Pangenome Set

The current pangenome pseudogene set comprising 18 mouse strains is available in [data-frame](#) and [list](#) file format.

### Unitary Pseudogenes

- **Mouse:** Annotated unitary pseudogenes in the mouse reference genome with respect to human [↗](#).
- **Human:** Annotated unitary pseudogenes in the human reference genome with respect to mouse [↗](#).
- **Strains:** Annotated unitary pseudogenes in the mouse strains with respect to the reference laboratory strain C57BL/6NJ [↗](#).

# Summary

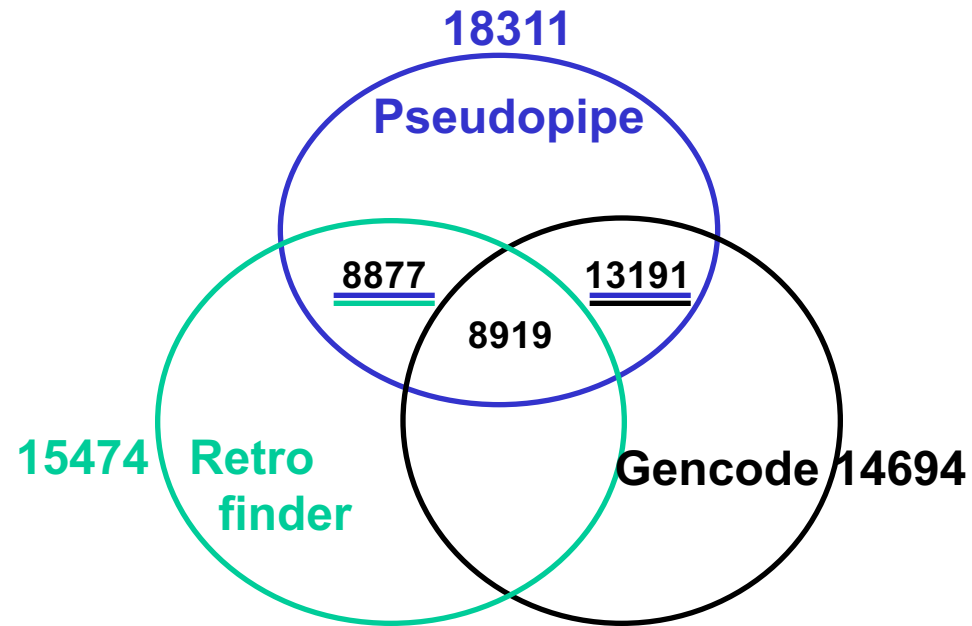
- The first draft of pseudogene annotation in 18 mouse strains and the reference genome
- On average 15-20% of are strain specific and ~ 25% are ancestral, being conserved in all the strains.
- Top pseudogene families are matching closely the human counterparts.
- While human TE activity became silent after the retrotransposition burst, TE are still active in mouse strains.
- Similar to human, pseudogene prolific genes are not enriched in paralogs and vice versa.
- Pseudogene localization suggests multiple large scale genomic rearrangements between the out group - wild strains and the reference (lab strains) mouse genome.
- A significant proportion of show signs of transcriptional activity.

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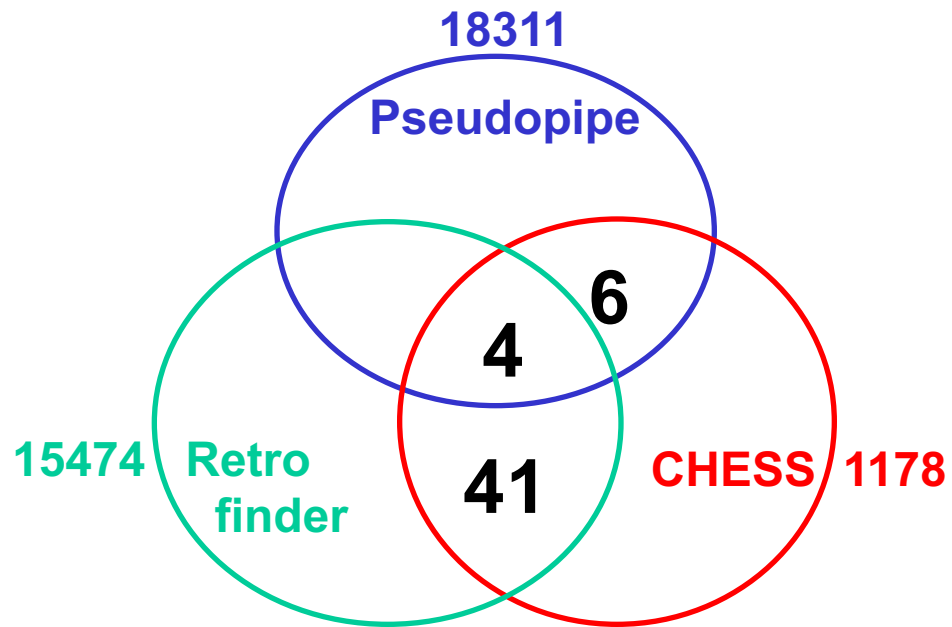
# CHES – pseudogenes or coding genes?



- CHES genes exclude GENCODE pseudogenes
- Test the overlap between CHES genes and PseudoPipe & Retrofinder genes



# 43 unique genes intersect pseudoexons with a 1bp minimum overlap



- 5/6 PseudoPipe pseudoexons have 100% sequence overlap
- 28/41 Retrofinder exons have 100% sequence overlap
- Others: 8-83% sequence overlap

# Is CHS.7402 a pseudogene?

- Similar to a protein from the crab eating macaque

>XP\_005566708.1 PREDICTED: carbohydrate-binding protein AQN-1-like isoform X2 [Macaca fascicularis]

MRLSRAFAWSLLCSIATIVTAPFATAPSDCGGHYTDEYGRIFNYVGPKTECVWIIELNPGDIVVV  
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VDAWSTH

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PGSESLGRICEAFSTFYHSSSNIITIKYSREPSHPPTFFEIYYFVDAWSTH      (macaque)**

**APSDCGGHYTDEYGRIFNYAGPKTECVWIIELNPGEIVTVAIPDLK      RGFACGKEYVEVLDGP  
PGSESLDRICKAFSTFYSSSNIITIKYSREPSHPPTFFEIYYFVDAWSTH      (human)**

Misses the first 20 amino acids

Does not contain any indels or stop condon disablements

Potentially a duplicated pseudogene?