

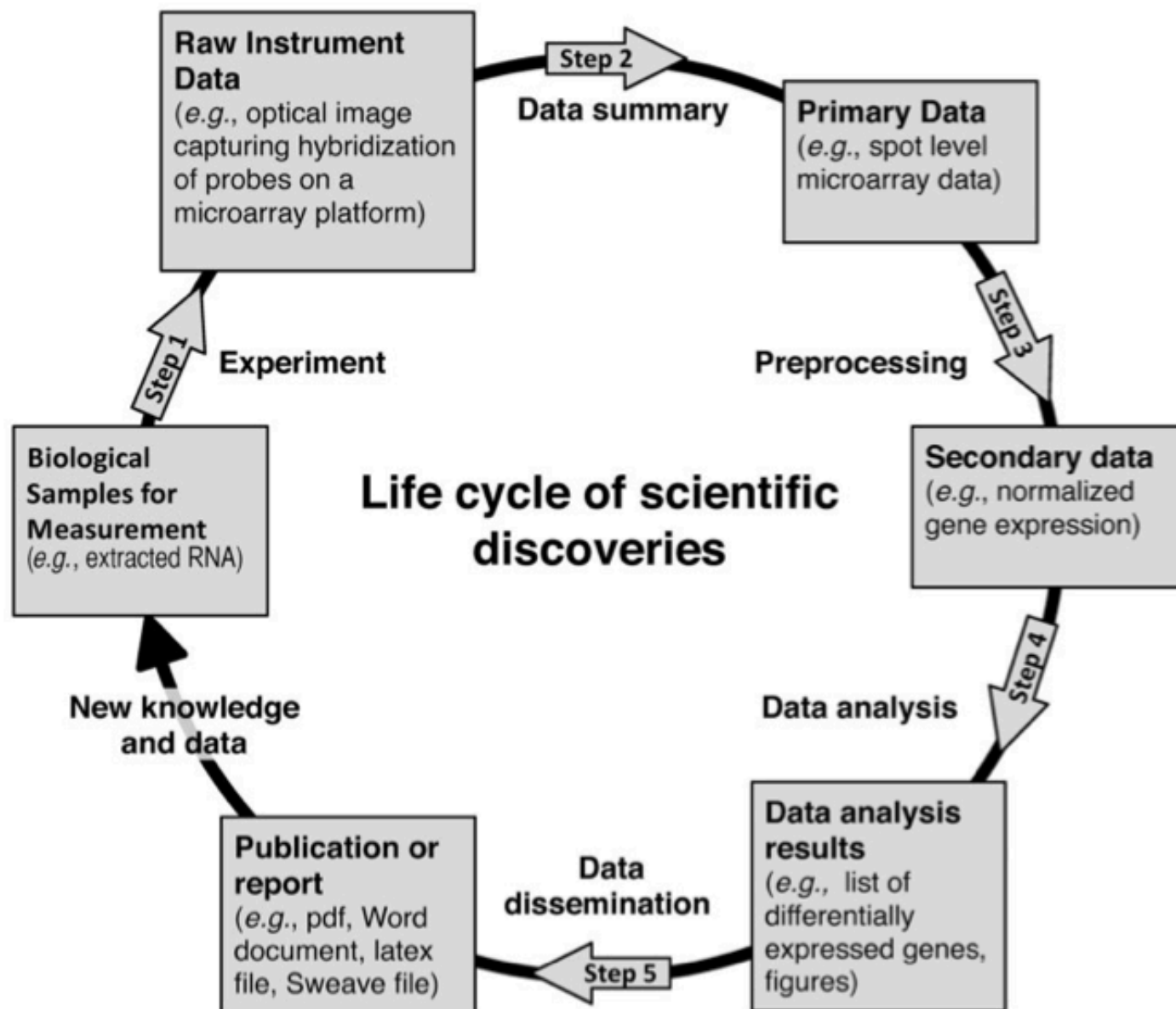
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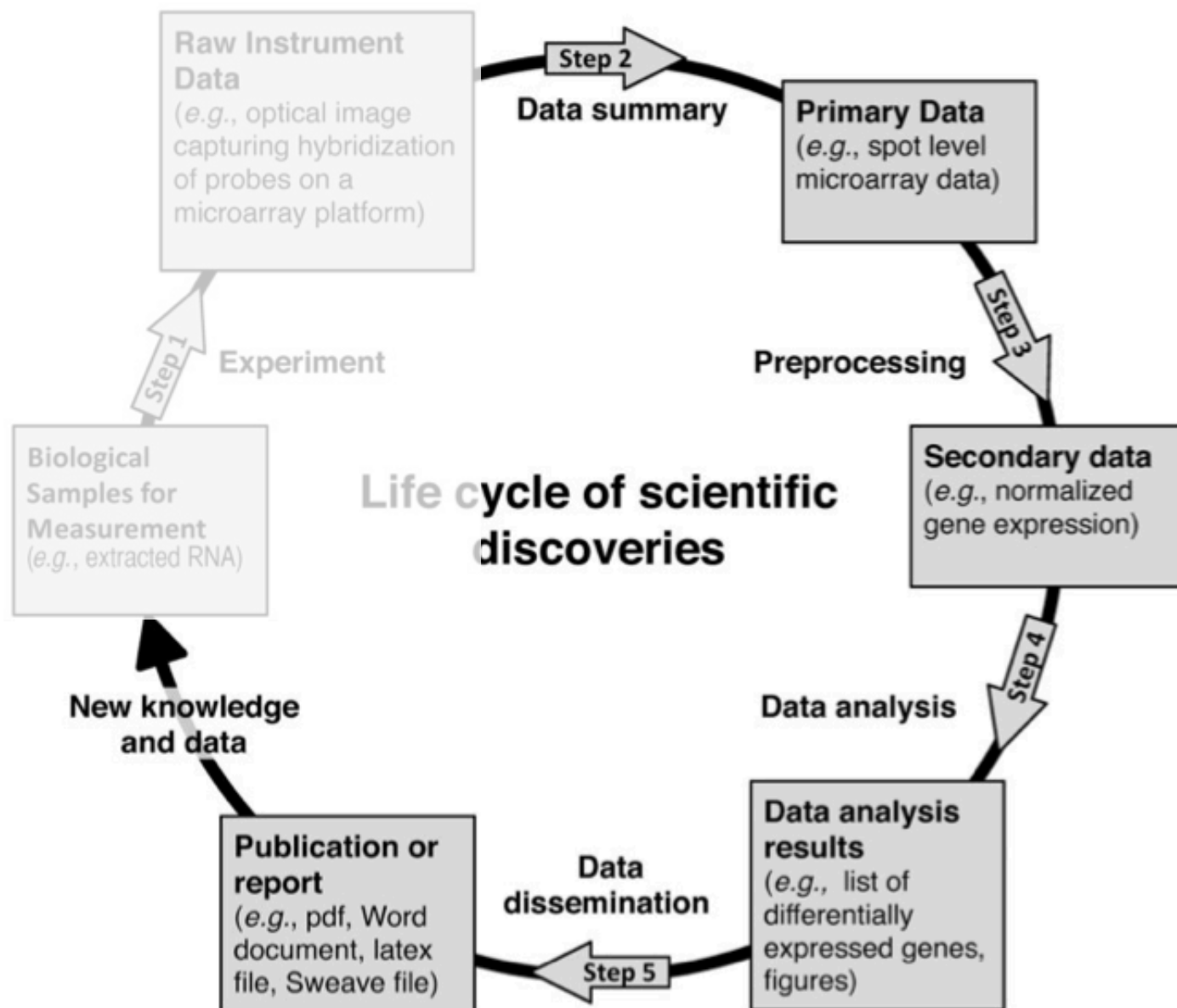
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Numerous advances have been achieved in the development, selection and application of chemotherapeutic agents, sometimes with remarkable clinical successes—as in the case of treatment for lymphomas or

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**Microarrays: retracing steps**

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**To the editor:**

Recently, Potti *et al.*<sup>1</sup> published an article in *Nature Medicine* reporting an approach predicting whether a tumor will respond to chemotherapy. Using publicly available data, they derived signatures from microarray profiles of the NCI-60 human cancer cell lines with known *in vitro* sensitivity or resistance to a particular drug. They used these profiles to predict *in vivo* chemotherapeutic response to seven different drugs. In order to help investigators at our institution use similar approaches, we tried to reproduce their results. We used the same published data and additional information generously supplied by the authors regarding methods, lists of cell lines called sensitive or resistant, and the software used to perform their analysis.

We report here our inability to reproduce their findings. Details of our methods and results are described in the supplementary information ([Supplementary Reports 0-9](#)) and are summarized here.

1. We cannot reproduce their selection of cell lines. The most sensitive and resistant lines should be used to focus on drug effects. However, the GI<sub>50</sub> (the concentration needed to reduce the growth of treated cells to half that of untreated cells)

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trail of data handling and statistical analysis. We use Sweave<sup>4,5</sup>, a package that allows analysts to combine source code (in R)<sup>6</sup> and documentation (in LaTeX)<sup>7</sup> in the same file. Our Sweave files are available at [\(http://bioinformatics.mdanderson.org/Supplements/ReproRsch-Chemo/\)](http://bioinformatics.mdanderson.org/Supplements/ReproRsch-Chemo/). Running them reproduces our results and generates figures, tables and a complete PDF manuscript.

The idea of using the NCI-60 cell lines to predict patient response to chemotherapy is exciting. Our analysis, however, suggests that it did not work here.

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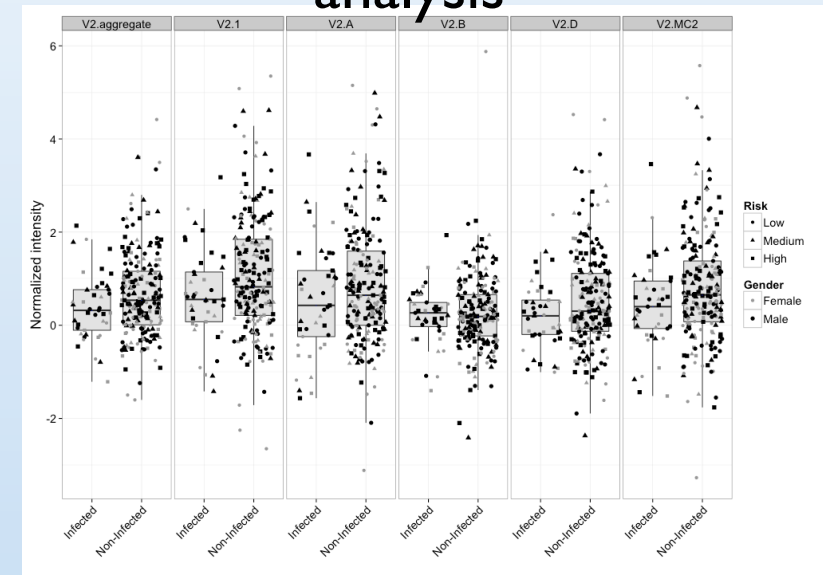
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Data  
munging



Data  
analysis



- The workflow can be complex and can involve multiple datasets, people, tools, etc.
- Workflows are (for the most part) poorly documented
- Can be difficult to reproduce even by the same group
- Solution? → LabKey + R

# The R programming language

- Open-source software for statistical computing and graphics
- State-of-the art for data analysis and data visualization
- Community driven, with over 5000 packages available to extend the base functionalities
- Well suited for biological data analysis through the Bioconductor project

# R and LabKey

- LabKey provides a flexible R API for running R analysis on data stored in LabKey
- R views
  - Attach an R script to a data view
  - Limited output: a table, figure, text, pdf
  - Very limited control of the output format



# Literate programming

- Approach to programming introduced by Donald Knuth
  - An explanation of a program logic in a plain English, interspersed with chunk of computer code.
- Sweave
  - Create dynamic reports by embedding R code in latex documents

# knitr vs. Sweave

- Sweave is good but ...
  - Writing latex is painful
  - Output is limited to pdf
- knitr
  - Transparent engine for dynamic report generation
  - knitr allows any input languages (e.g. R, Python and Awk) and any output markup languages

# knitr

- Full control of input, code, and output
  - Fine control over how the code is executed and the output is displayed
  - knitr can process input files in various formats: latex, html, R markdown
- R markdown
  - markdown: easy-to-read, easy-to-write plain text format that can be converted to html
  - R markdown: markdown + R code chunks



# markdown

Input

Output

The screenshot displays the RStudio interface with two panels. The left panel, titled 'example.Rmd', shows the raw Markdown input. The right panel, titled 'RStudio: Preview HTML', shows the rendered HTML output. An arrow labeled 'Input' points to the left panel, and an arrow labeled 'Output' points to the right panel.

**Input (example.Rmd):**

```
1 Header 1
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4 simple formatting syntax for authoring web pages.
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6 *italics* and **bold**.
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8 - Item 1
9 - Item 2
10 - Item 3
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12 You can write `in-line` code with a back-tick.
13
14 ```
15 Code blocks display
16 with fixed-width font
17 ```
18
19 > Blockquotes are offset
20
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**Output (RStudio: Preview HTML):**

Preview: ~/example.html

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# R markdown

Input

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chunks.Rmd x
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1 R Code Chunks
2 =====
3
4 With R Markdown, you can insert R code
5 chunks including plots:
6 ```{r qplot, fig.width=4, fig.height=3,
7 | message=FALSE}
8 # quick summary and plot
9 library(ggplot2)
10 summary(cars)
11 qplot(speed, dist, data=cars) +
12   geom_smooth()
13 |
```

Output

RStudio: Preview HTML

Preview: ~/chunks.html [Icons: Save As, Publish]

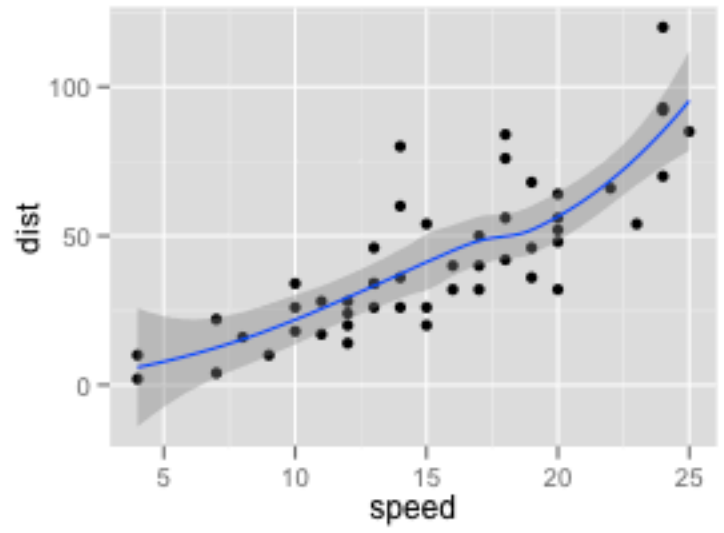
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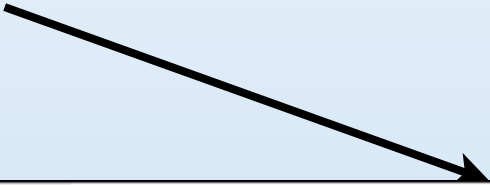
##	speed	dist
## Min.	: 4.0	Min. : 2
## 1st Qu.:	12.0	1st Qu.: 26
## Median :	15.0	Median : 36
## Mean   :	15.4	Mean   : 43
## 3rd Qu.:	19.0	3rd Qu.: 56
## Max.   :	25.0	Max.   : 120

```
qplot(speed, dist, data = cars) + geom_smooth()
```



# R markdown

Option for code  
chunks

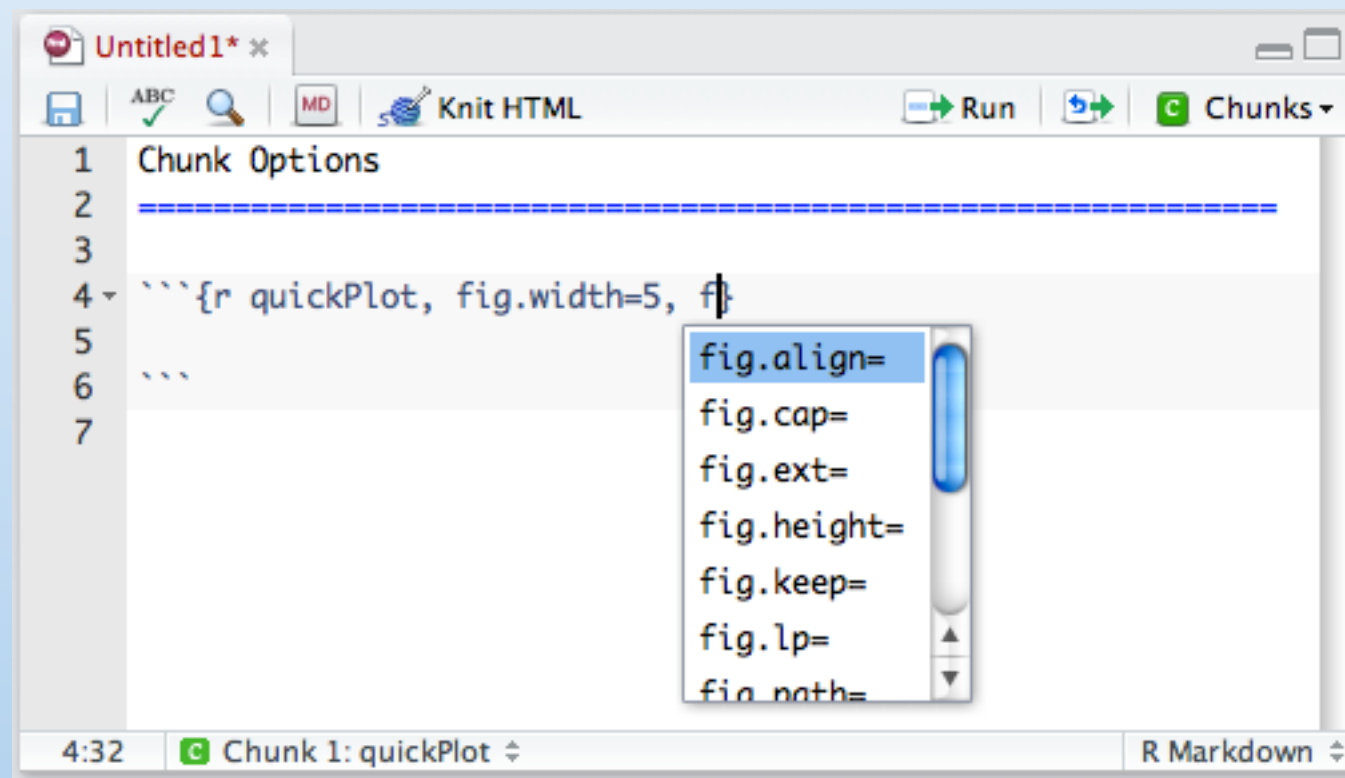


```
23 < ```{r echoExample, eval=TRUE, echo=FALSE}  
24 # This code chunk is evaluated,  
25 # however the source code is hidden.  
26 # Only the result is displayed.  
27  
28 x <- "Hello World"  
29 y <- "!"  
30 cat(c(x, rep(y,3)), sep="")  
31 ```
```



# R markdown

Many chunk options  
knitr is fully integrated within RStudio



# R markdown

R expression and also be added and evaluated in line

```
1  
2 I counted `r 1 + 1` red trucks on the highway.  
3
```

Results in this output: "I counted 2 red trucks on the highway."

# knitr and caching

- Large data and complex analysis can require significant computing time
  - Not unusual for an analysis to take a few minutes to an hour
  - This can result in some performance issues when viewing a report → User frustration
- Why rerun a script when nothing has changed?
- The solution is caching

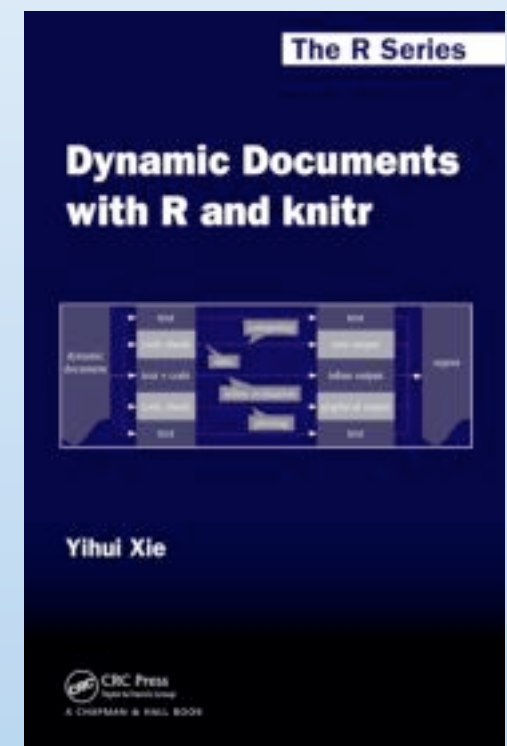


# knitr and caching

- cache can be turned on/off for each code chunk
- If caching is on, knitr will check if the code has changed when rerunning a report
- Chunks can be made dependent
- The caching mechanism is flexible can be attached to an R version an input dataset (e.g. labkey.data), a date, etc.

# Some references

- `www:` <http://yihui.name/knitr/>
- RStudio ([rstudio.com](http://rstudio.com))



# knitr in LabKey

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SUB112827	Healthy human control for in-vitro RT-PCR analysis of PBMCs	healthy adult	32.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	Asian	Homo sapiens	CamKIV Humans
SUB112828	Healthy human control for in-vitro RT-PCR analysis of PBMCs	healthy adult	35.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	Asian	Homo sapiens	CamKIV Humans
SUB112829	Age at Trial 2	healthy adult	26.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	Homo sapiens	LAIV group
SUB112830	Age at Trial 1; only in Trial 1	healthy adult	31.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Female	Hispanic or Latino	White	Homo sapiens	TIV Group
SUB112831	Age at Trial 2	healthy adult	40.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Male	Not Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	Homo sapiens	LAIV group
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SUB112836	Age at Trial 2	healthy adult	28.0	Years	Age at enrollment		Female	Not Hispanic or Latino	White	Homo sapiens	LAIV group
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56```{r filter-subject, cache.extra=digest::digest(labkey.data)}
57ds_cohort <- labkey.data
58dt_cohort <- data.table(ds_cohort)
59subject_selected <- dt_cohort[,subject_accession]
60subject_filter <- makeFilter(c("SUBJECT_ACCESSION","IN",paste(subject_selected,collapse=";")))
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67```{r hai, hfig.cap=TRUE, fig.cap="Figure 1. HAI titers in plasma on day 28 after vaccination with TIV or LAIV, relative to baseline (day 0).", dependson="filter-subject
68study_filter <- makeFilter(c("study_accession","IN","SDY61"))
69ds_biosample <- labkey.selectRows(baseUrl=labkey.url.base, schemaName="hipcdb", folderPath=labkey.url.path, queryName ="biosample", colNameOpt='rname', colFilter=study_f
70dt_biosample <- data.table(ds_biosample)
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<https://www.immunespace.org/study/Emory/SDY61/dataset.view?Dataset.reportId=db%3A60&datasetId=5001#>



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56```{r filter-subject, cache.extra=digest::digest(labkey.data)}
57ds_cohort <- labkey.data
58dt_cohort <- data.table(ds_cohort)
59subject_selected <- dt_cohort[,subject_accession]
60subject_filter <- makeFilter(c("SUBJECT_ACCESSION", "IN", paste(subject_selected, collapse=";")))
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64### HAI titers in plasma after vaccination
65Figure 1 shows that there are strong differences between vaccine groups in terms of HAI responses.
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67```{r hai, hfig.cap=TRUE, fig.cap="Figure 1. HAI titers in plasma on day 28 after vaccination with TIV or LAIV, relative to baseline (day 0).", dependson="filter-subject
68study_filter <- makeFilter(c("study_accession", "IN", "SDY61"))
69ds_biosample <- labkey.selectRows(baseUrl=labkey.url.base, schemaName="hipcdb", folderPath=labkey.url.path, queryName="biosample", colNameOpt='rname', colFilter=study_f
70dt_biosample <- data.table(ds_biosample)
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Knitr Options

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☒ Markdown?

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## Overview of antibody responses induced by TIV and LAIV

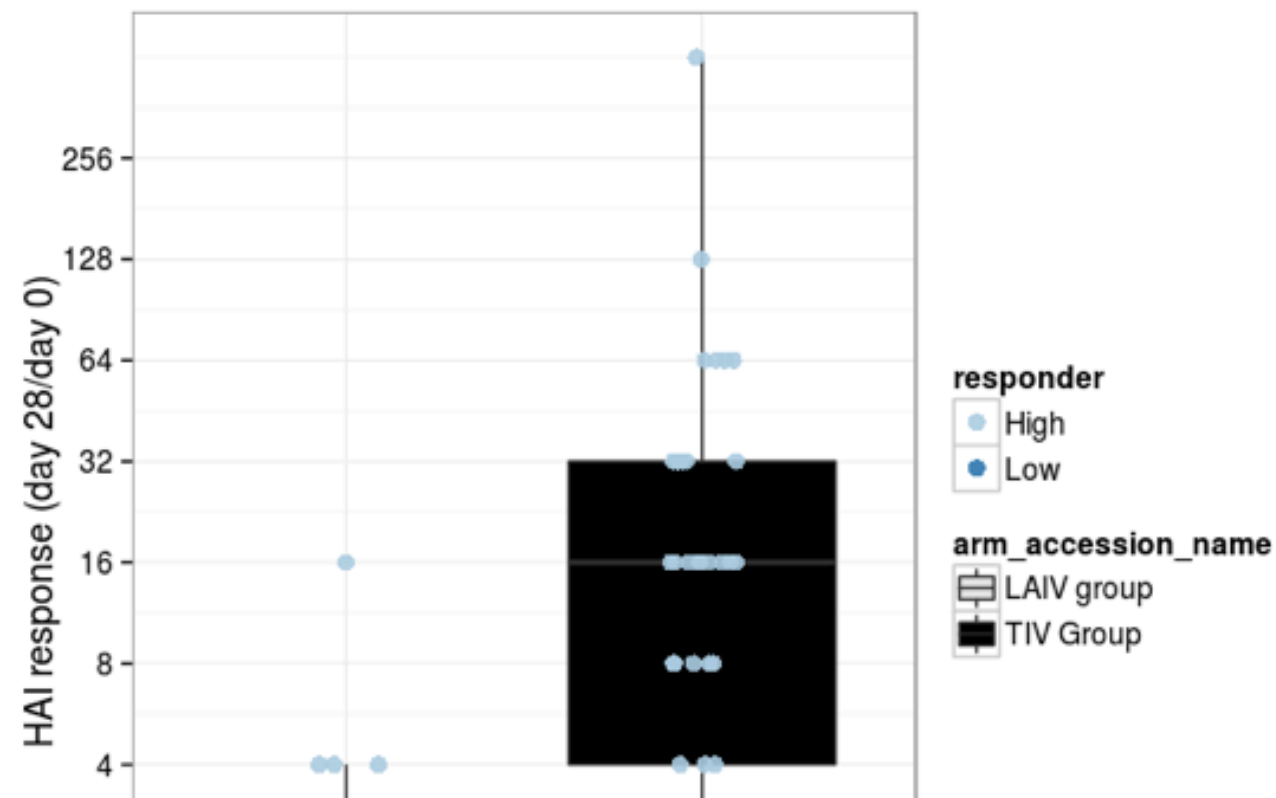
Report generated by [rgottard@fhcrc.org](mailto:rgottard@fhcrc.org)

### Summary

This report reproduces all figures related to antibody data presented in the original study (Nakaya et al., 2011), namely Figures 1- a, b and d. Unfortunately, Figure 1-c cannot be reproduced due to the missing gate definitions for the flow cytometry data (e.g. GatingML).

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# Demo: Overview of the knitr environment in LabKey

# HIPC

- The human immunology project consortium
  - Collaborative effort across 7 centers
  - Established in 2010 by the NIAID Division of Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation
  - Characterize the status of the immune system in diverse populations under both normal conditions and in response to stimuli
  - Use systems biology approaches
  - Generate large amount of data

# HIPC → ImmuneSpace

- Wide range of data types
  - Flow cytometry, Luminex, Antibody titers, gene expression, next generation sequencing, etc.
- Ultimate goal: combine data across assay and centers
- Need for central data management and analysis
  - Database and analysis engine using LabKey and R
  - ImmuneSpace.org



# Demo

- Using knitr to query PubMed
- Using knitr to predict antibody response from gene expression

# Other additions to LabKey server

- Rserve (TCP/IP interface to R): consistent R session, session management, remote server, etc.
- API

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