# Pathways and Genes under positive selection in metabolic diseases

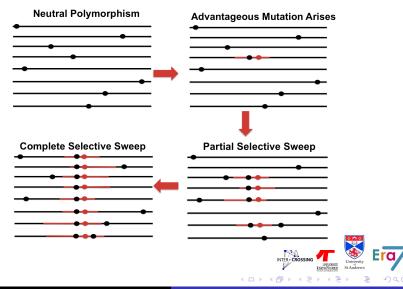
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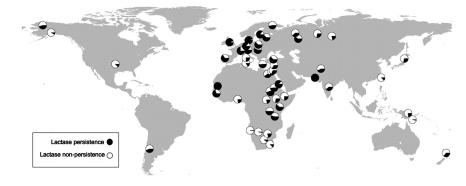
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## **Positive Selection**



#### Why do we study positive selection?



Ingram et al. 2009



## Gene Set Enrichment Analysis (GSEA)



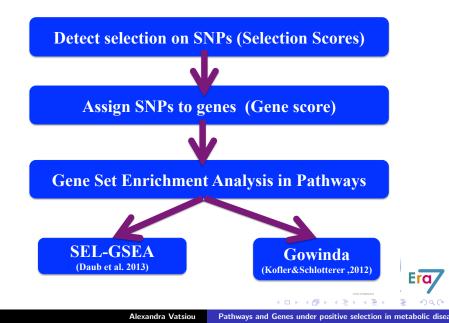
# Gene Set Enrichment Analysis (GSEA)

#### Data

- SNP data: Hapmap phase II (3 populations (CEU, YRI, CHB+JTP)
- Gene data: Entrez NCBI database on the 5/2014 (Number of genes: 27081)
- Gene Sets: Biosystems database on the 5/2014. (Number of pathways: 2362)



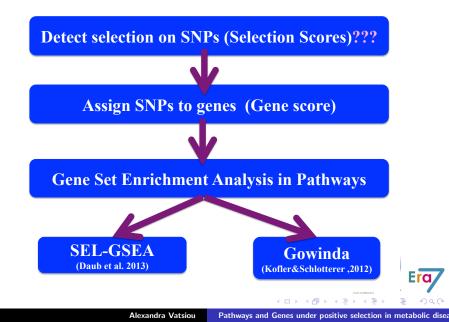
#### How to detect positive selection on pathways?



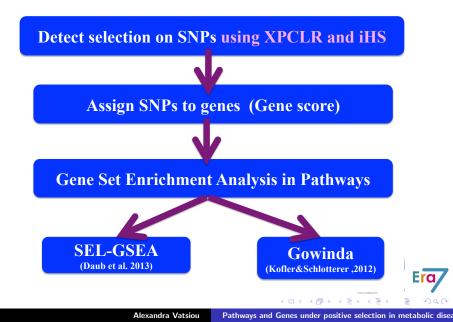
- Python tool for Gene and Gene Set Enrichment Analysis following Daub et al. (2013) methodology
- Osing SNP data and a gene-set list
- **3** User-friendly and flexible
- Freely available: https://github.com/INTERCROSSING/SEL\_GSEA



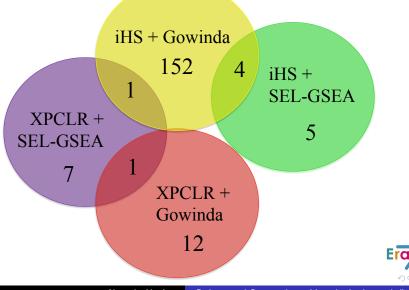
## Which method to use to detect selection on SNPs?



#### Which method to use to detect selection?



#### Results of GSEA



#### What about metabolic diseases?



"Diabetes has increased dramatically over the past 20 years. That proves that diabetes is caused by global warming!"



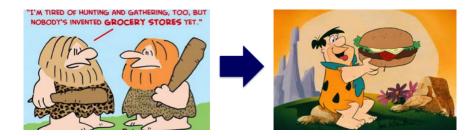
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- Glycolysis and gluconeogenesis (4.2e-05)
- Signal attenuation (0.0003)
- **3** Glucose transport (0.003)



683 genes directly or indirectly associated with:

- obesity or
- 2 metabolic syndrome or
- diabetes



- 25 candidate genes for positive selection
- 2 12 of them play a risk role
- **③** 7 of them play a protective role
- It of them were detected to be under positive selection before
- Is new candidates for metabolic diseases



- multifactorial diseases
- 2 study the whole system



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Any Questions?

