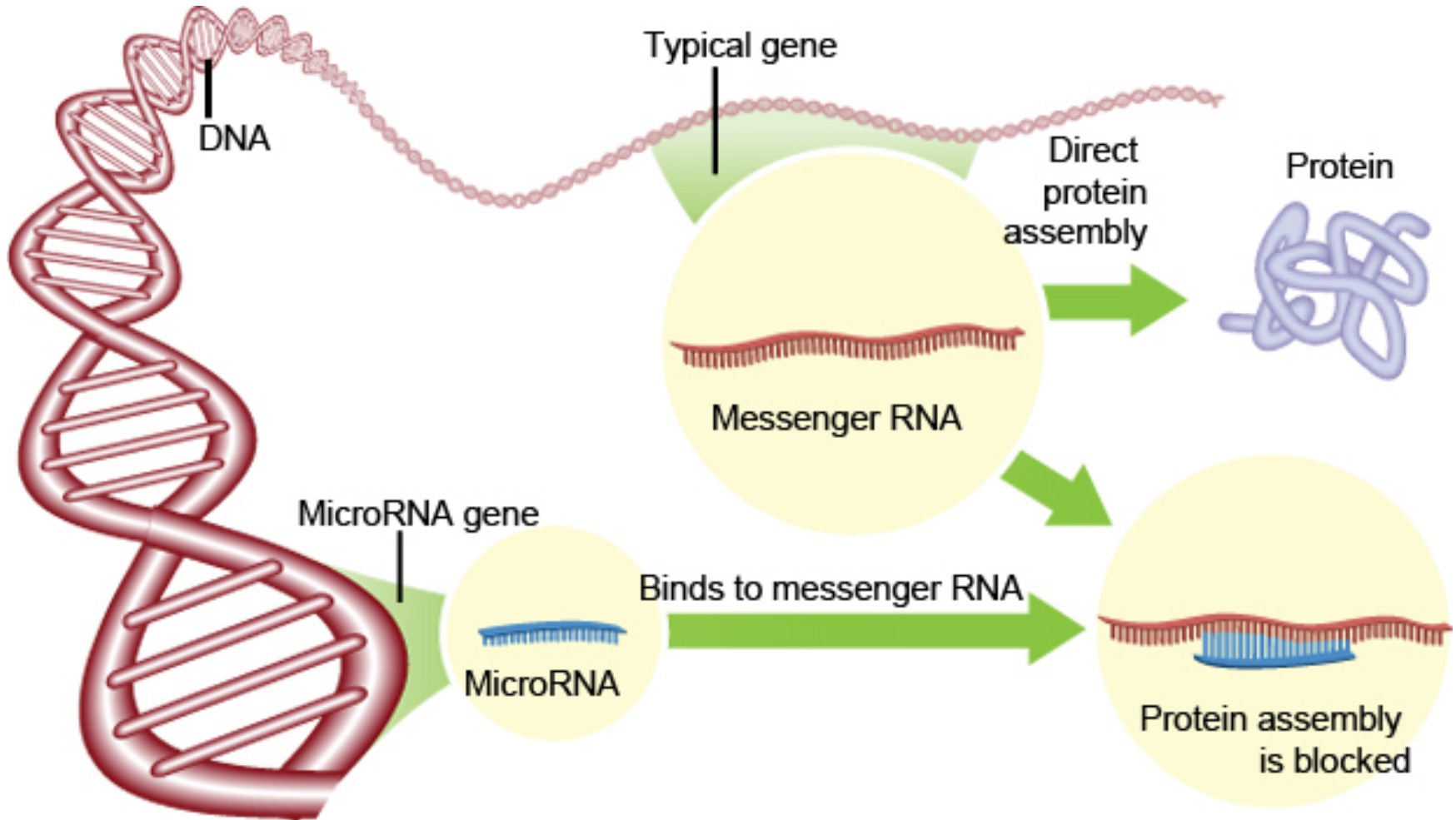


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Quantitative Proteomics Analysis Reveals Novel Targets of miR-21 in Zebrafish Embryos

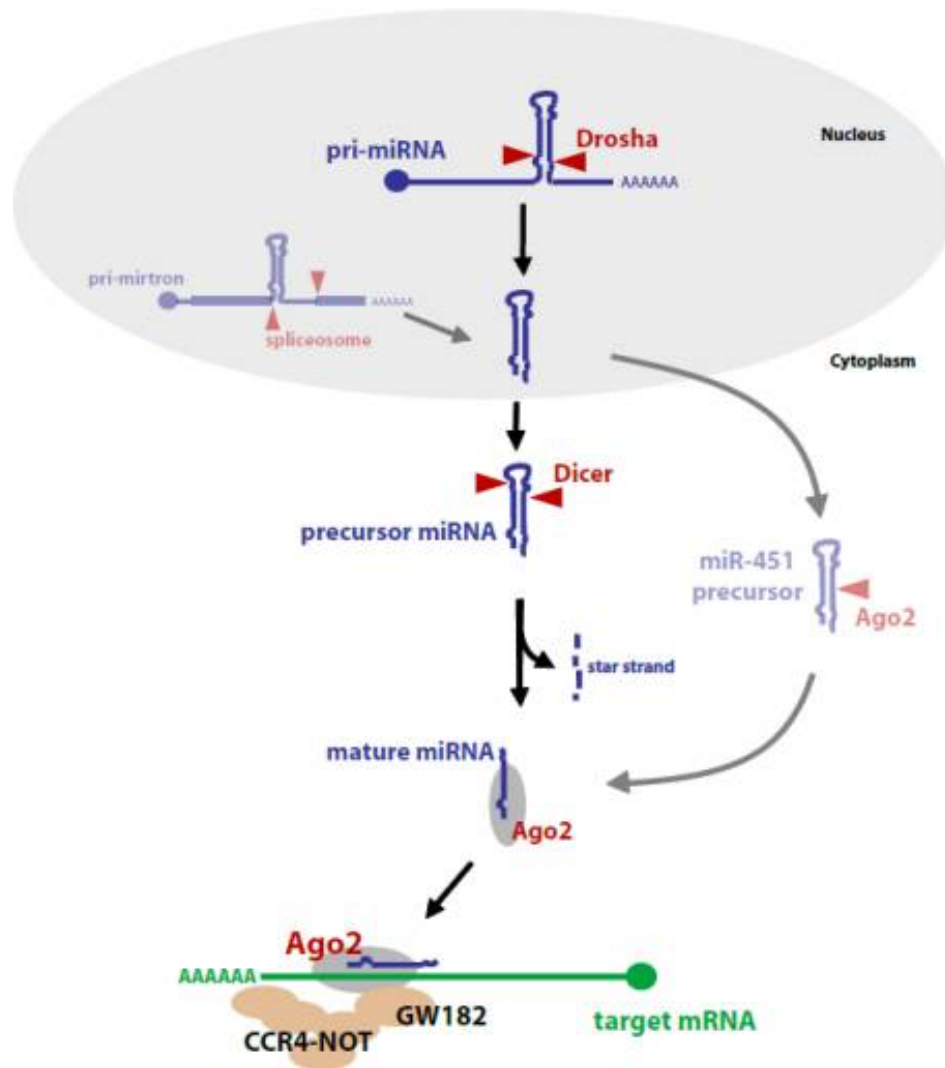
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What is microRNA (miRNA)?



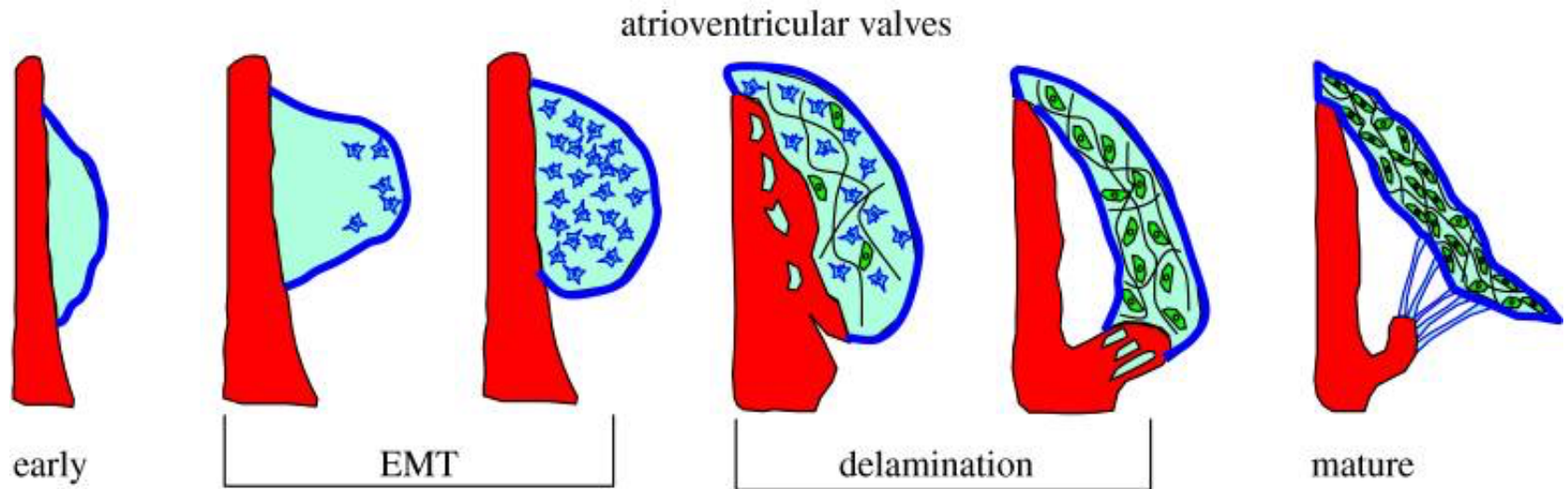
miRNAs cause **suppression** or **degradation** of target mRNAs

How are miRNAs created?



>60% of human protein coding genes can be regulated by miRNAs

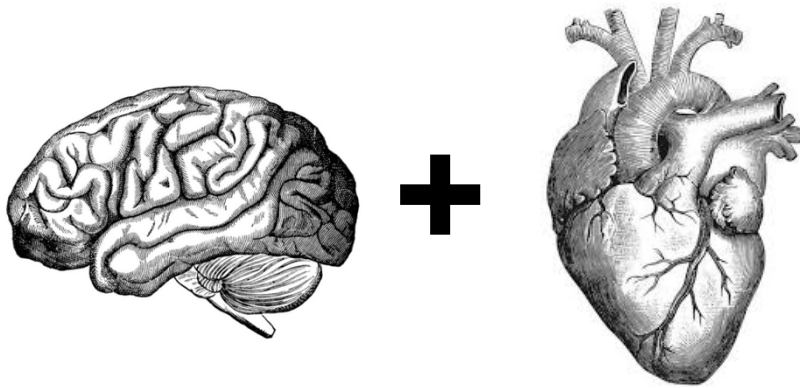
What is cardiac valvulogenesis & miR-21?



miR-21 is critical for **heart valve formation** and **development**

What is known about miR-21?

Highly expressed



Gene targets in human cancer cells

PDCD4

PTEN

TPM1

SPRY2

Global gene targets are **unknown**

Why is this all relevant to humans?

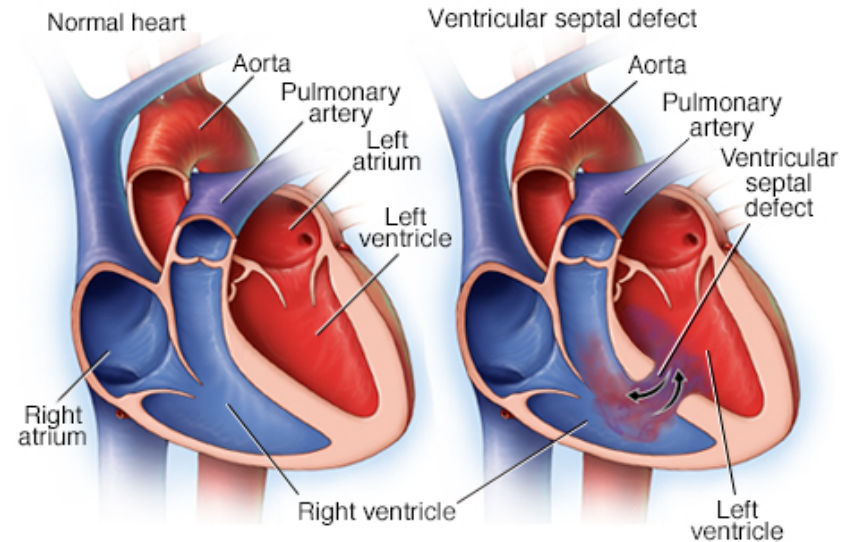


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Congenital Defects - A simplified glossary

- ▶ Healthy Heart Function
- ▶ Aortic Valve Stenosis (AVS)
- ▶ Atrial Septal Defect (ASD)
- ▶ Coarctation of the Aorta (CoA)
- ▶ Complete Atrioventricular Canal defect (CAVC)
- ▶ d-Transposition of the great arteries
- ▶ Ebstein's Anomaly
- ▶ l-transposition of the great arteries
- ▶ Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)
- ▶ Pulmonary Valve Stenosis
- ▶ Single Ventricle Defects
- ▶ Tetralogy of Fallot
- ▶ Total Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Connection (TAPVC)
- ▶ Truncus Arteriosus
- ▶ Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD)

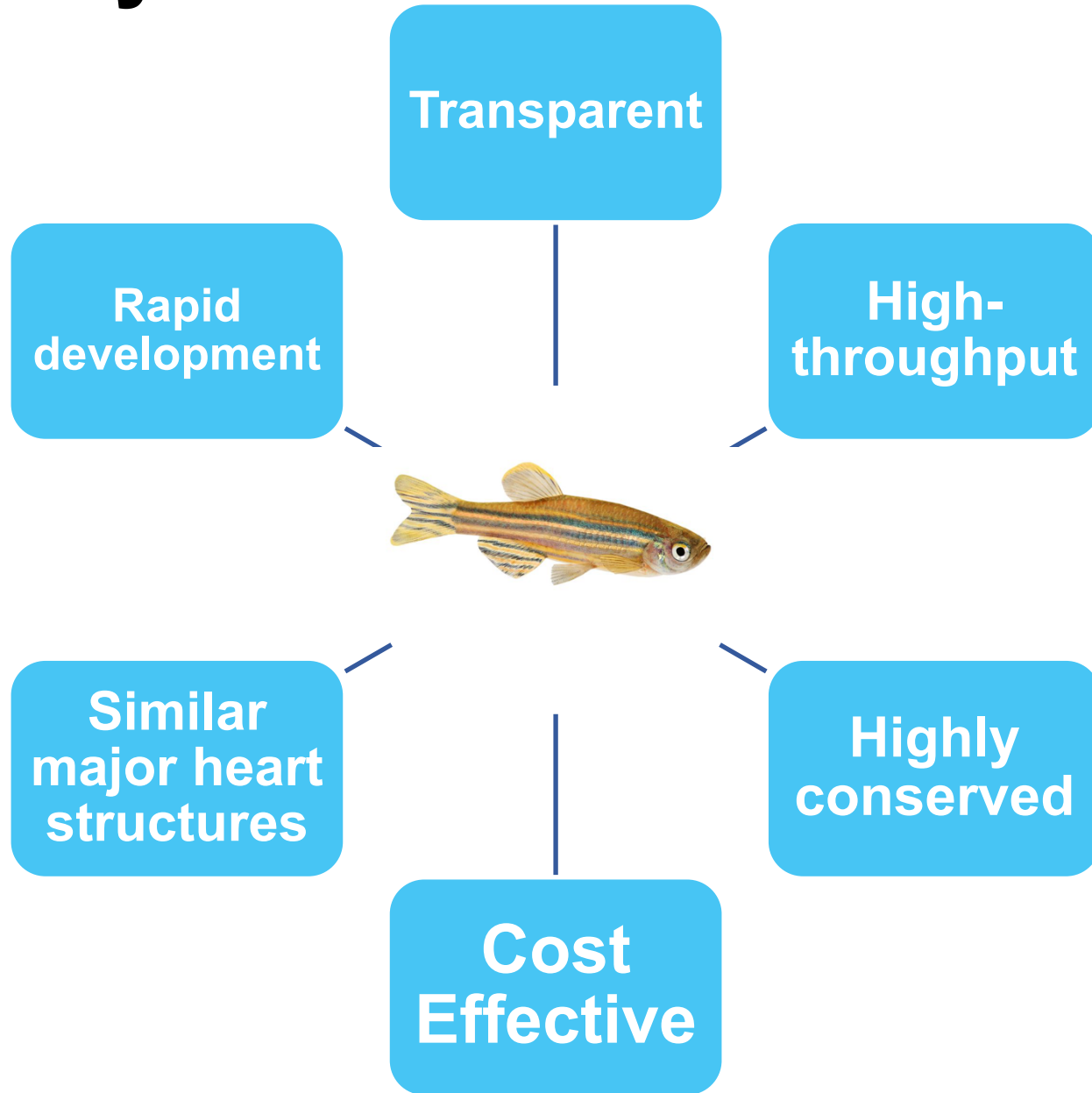


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Congenital heart diseases are the **most common** human birth defect

Why were zebrafish used?



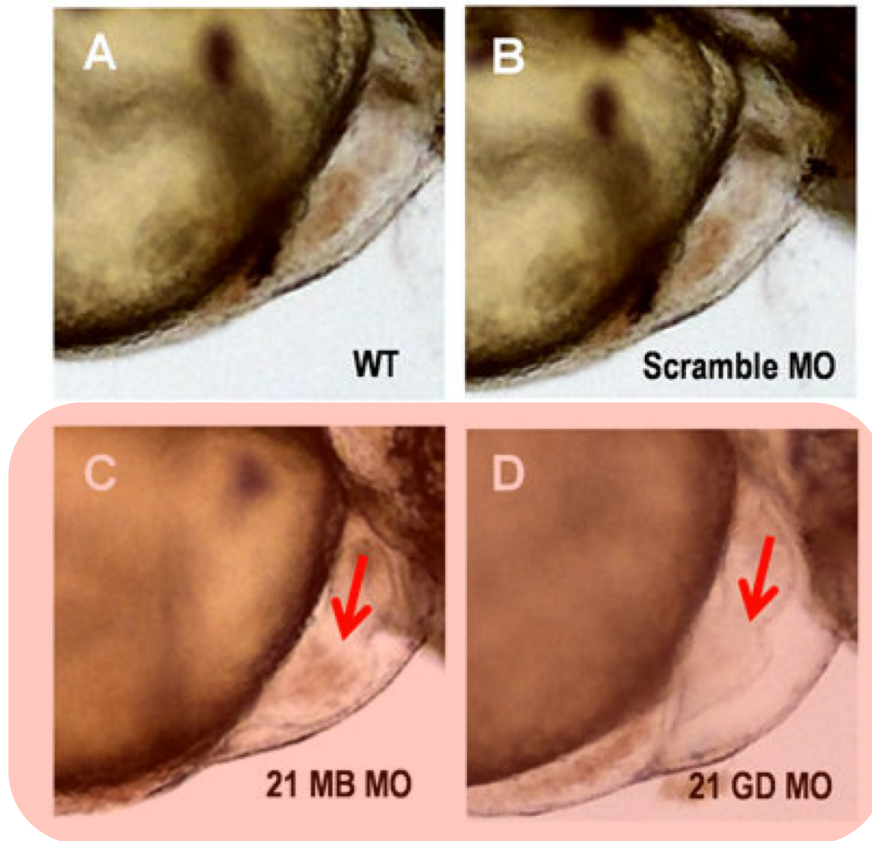
How was TMT proteomics used?

TMT identified a **global** profile of miR-21 regulated proteins

Why use proteomics instead of genomics?

What were the overall objectives of this study?

Fig. 1: What was the phenotypic effect of miR-21 knockout?



miR-21 knockout resulted in **abnormal loss of atrioventricular valve constriction**

Fig. 2A: How were miR-21 regulated proteins identified?

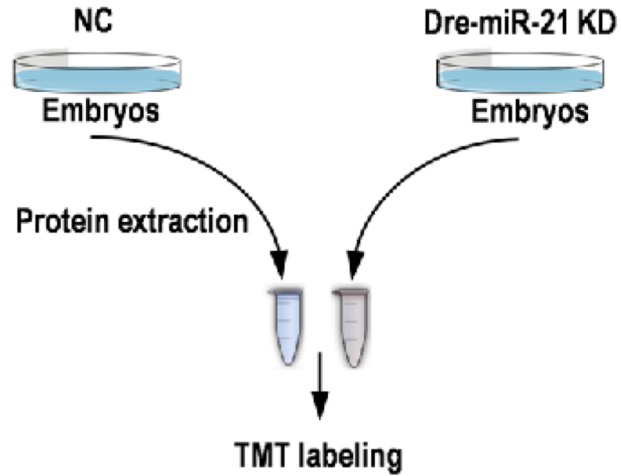
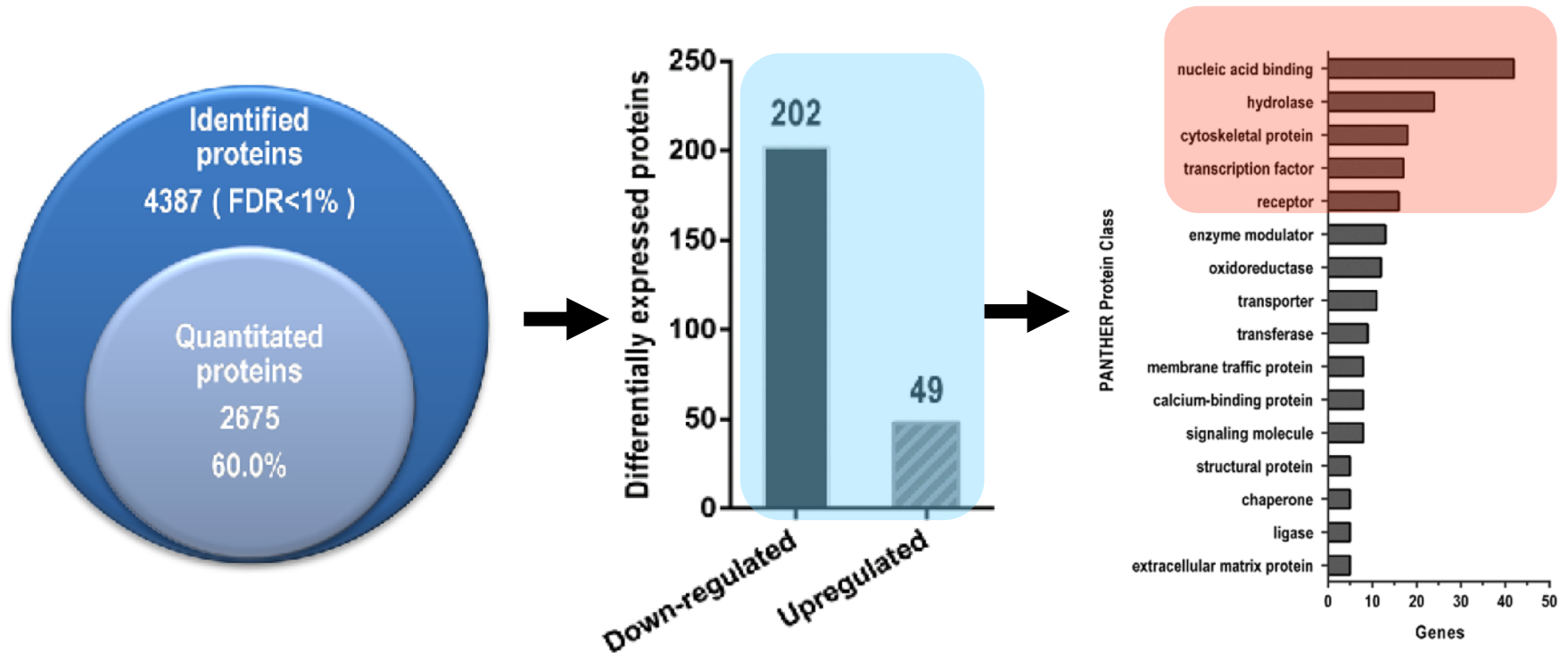
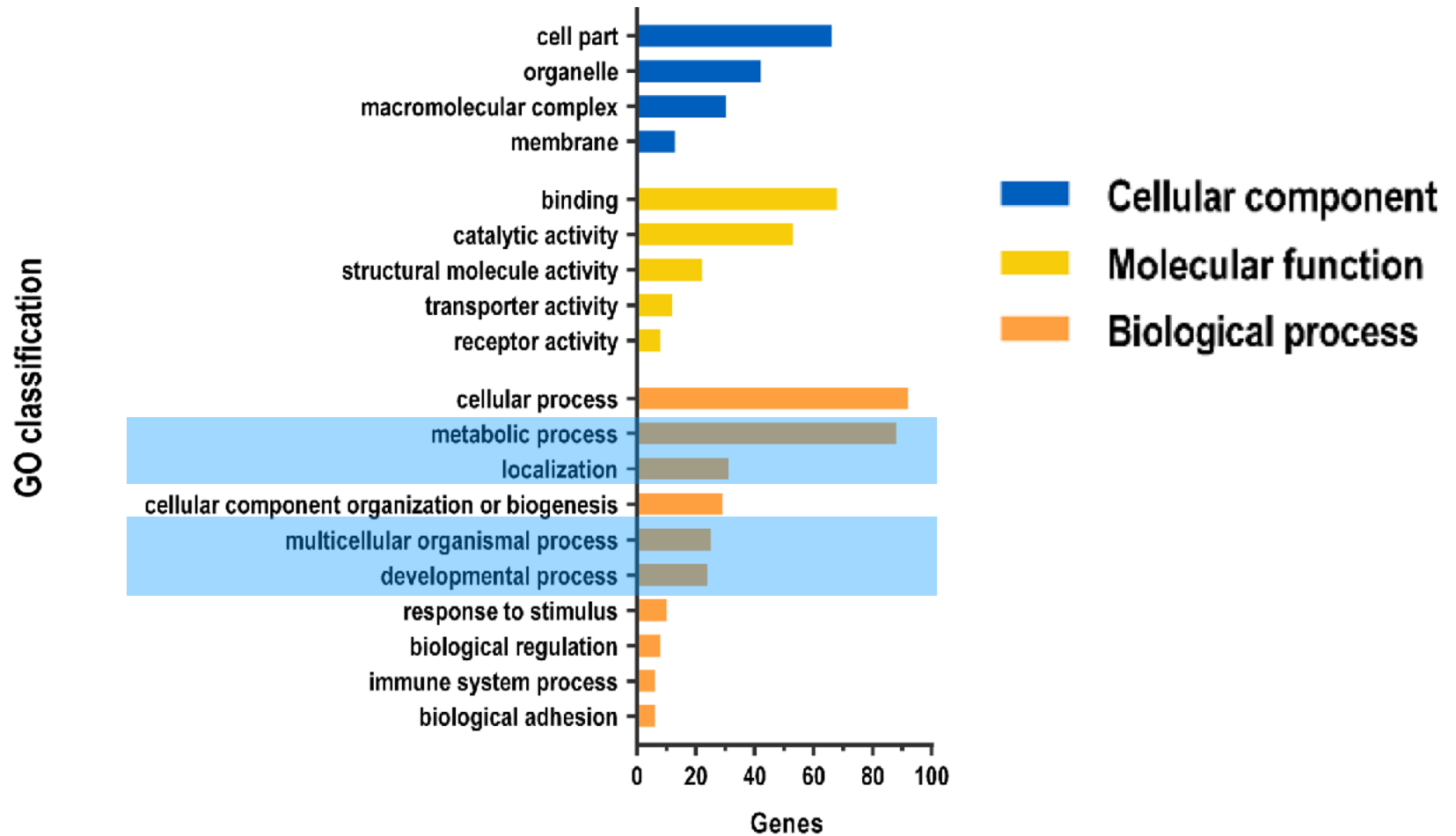


Fig. 2B & 2C: What proteins does miR-21 regulate?



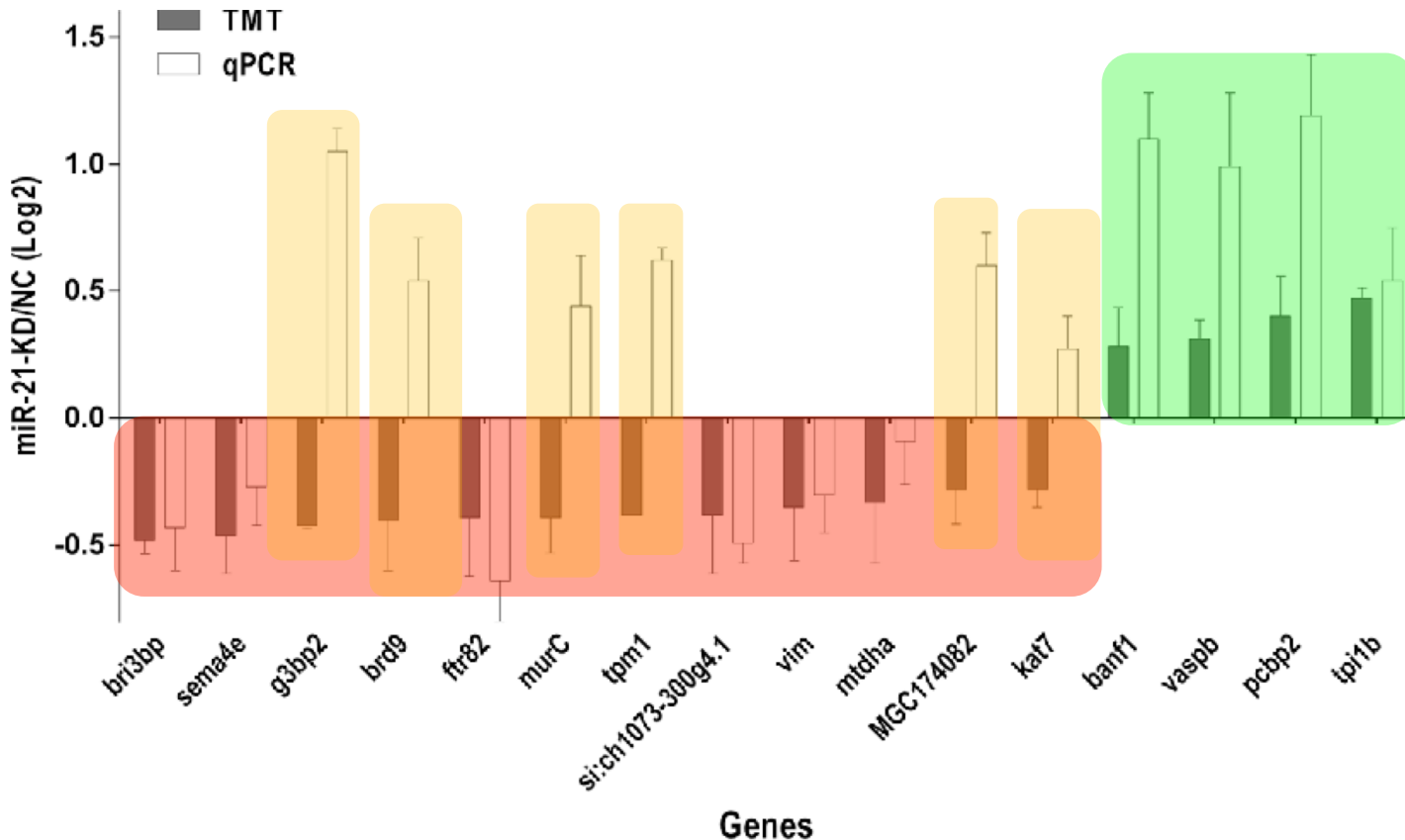
251 proteins of various **functions** were dysregulated after miR-21 knockout

Fig. 3: What is the GO of miR-21 regulated proteins?



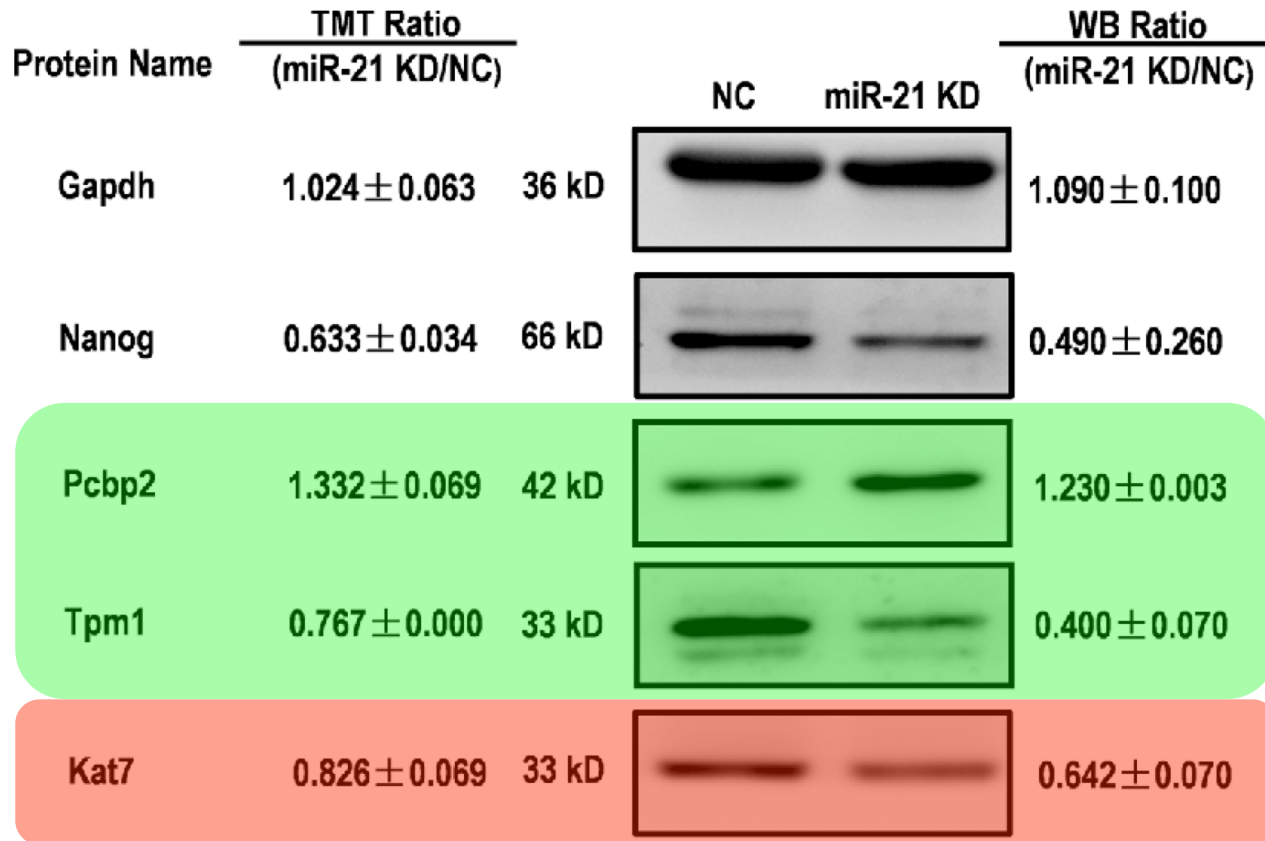
miR-21 regulates diverse functions across **widespread biological processes**

Fig. 4: What is the mRNA to protein ratio of the identified DEPs?



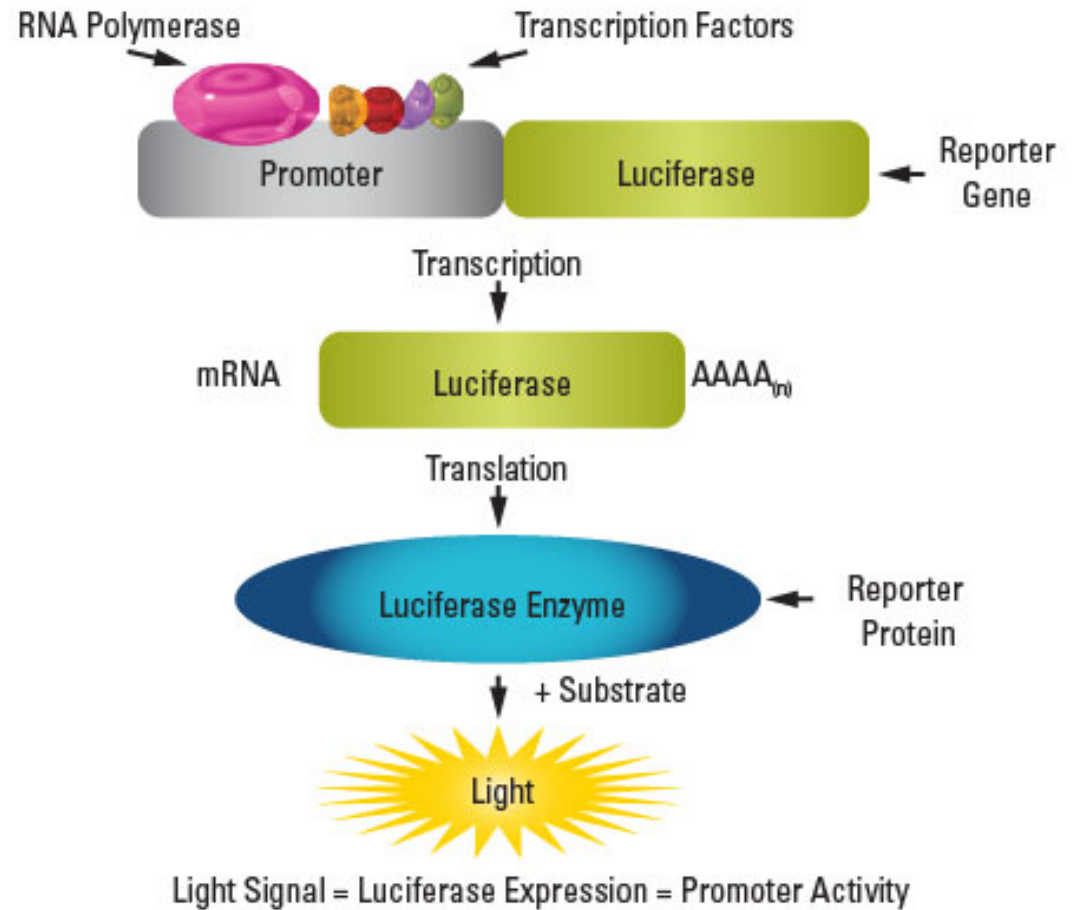
49 genes upregulated and **202 genes downregulated** after knockout

Fig. 5: Was the MS data accurate?



Western blot data confirmed **upregulated** and **downregulated** proteins

What is a luciferase reporter assay?



Luciferase activity directly correlates with amount of target protein

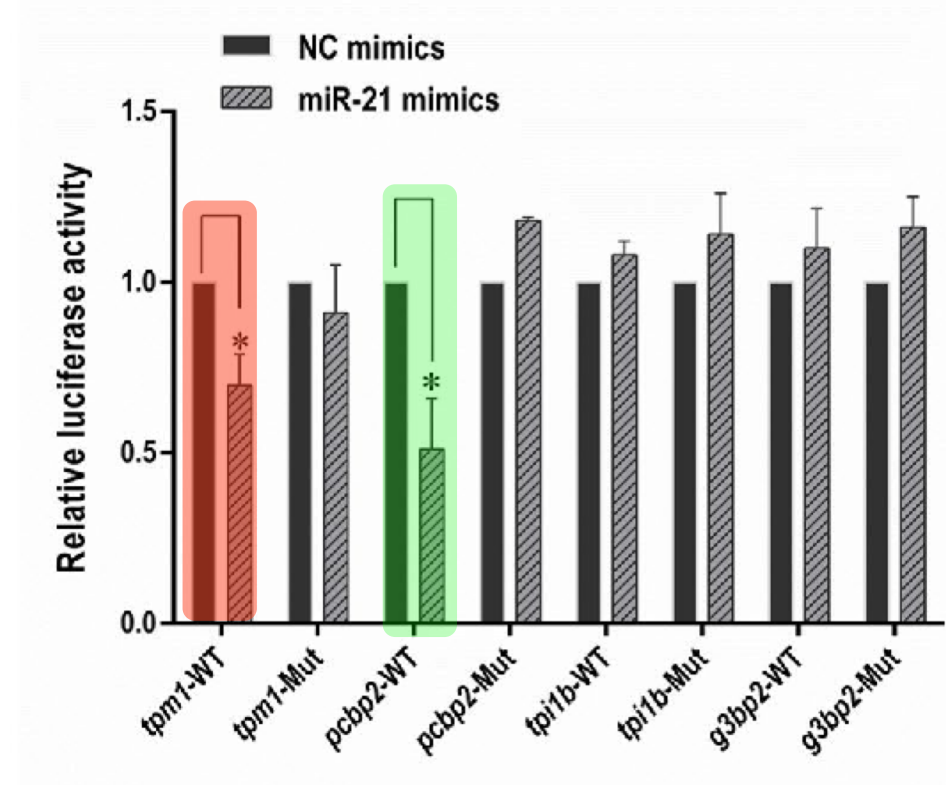
Fig. 6A & 6B:

3' cgguuGUGGUCAGAC-UAUUCGAu 5' dre-miR-21
 | | | | : | | | |
 5' atttcCTCCCATCTGTGTAAGCTc 3' *tpm1*-WT
 5' atttcCTCCCATCTGTGT**CCUA**Tc 3' *tpm1*-Mut

3' cgguUGGUCAGACUA-UUCGAu 5' dre-miR-21
 | : | : | : | | | | | | | |
 5' cggAGCTTCGGTCTGATCAAGCTc 3' *pcbp2*-WT
 5' cggAGCTTCGGTCTGATC**CCUA**Tc 3' *pcbp2*-Mut

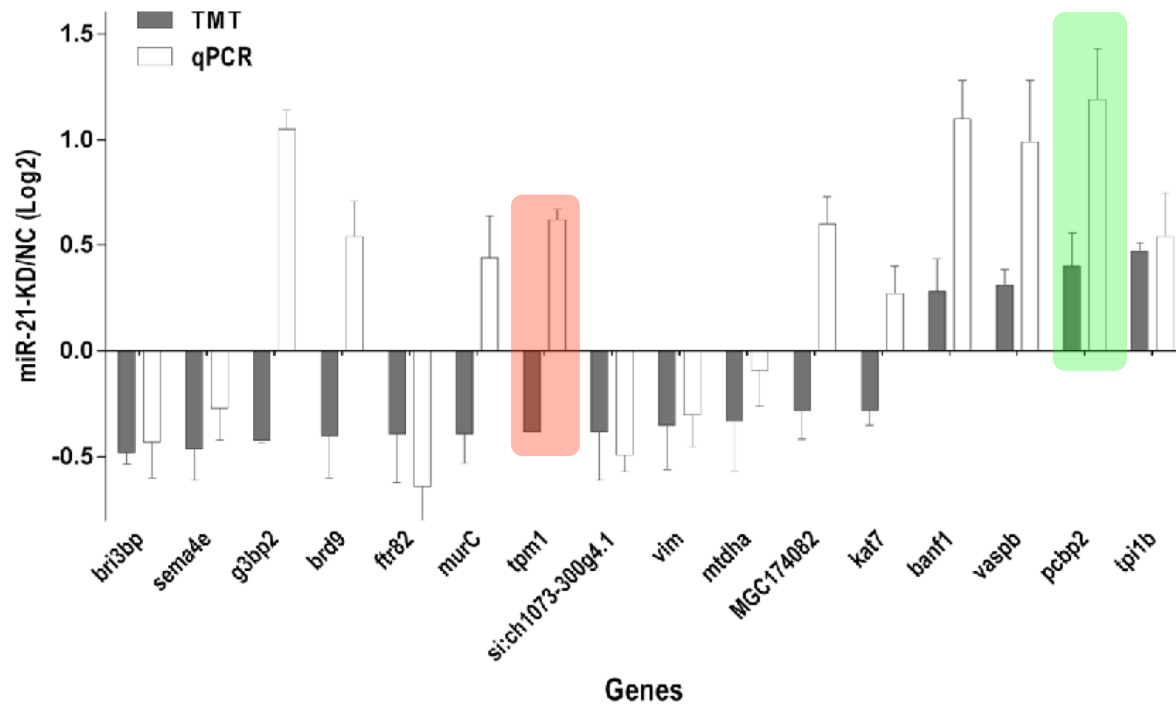
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 5' agaAACGTCTG-CTCAG**GCCUA**cc 3' *tpi1b*-Mut

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 | | : | | : | | | | | | | |
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 5' ctgAATAGCTCATTAAG**GCCUA**TA 3' *g3bp2*-Mut



***Tpm1* and *pcbp2* are direct, novel targets of miR-21**

What are *tpm1* and *pcbp2*?



Tpm proteins

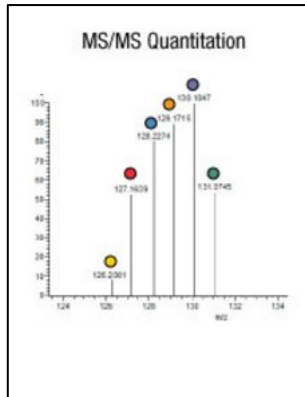
Modulate muscle
contractions

PCBP proteins

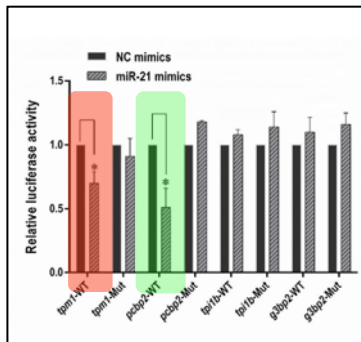
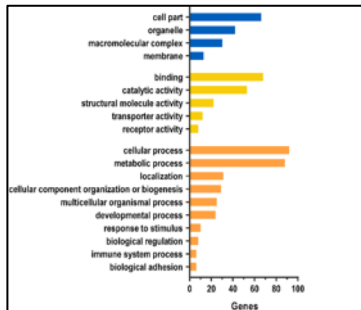
Interact with ss-poly (C)
regions

Summary

TMT mass spectrometry is a way to identify and quantify proteins

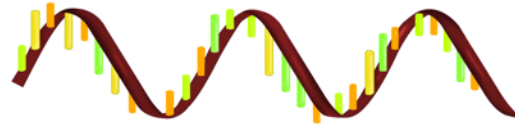


miR-21 has many targets and is involved in heart valve development

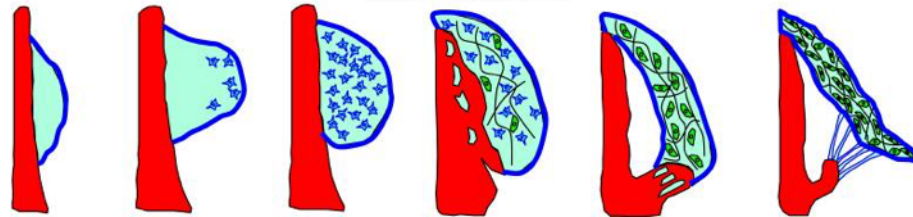


***Tpm1* and *pcbbp2* are novel targets of miR-21**

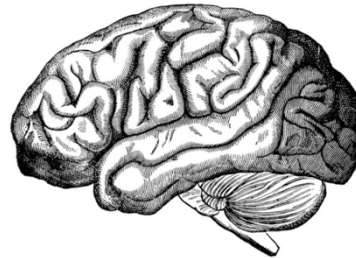
Future Directions



New mRNA targets?



Regulatory pathways affected in valvulogenesis?



Role of miR-21 in brain tissue?

Questions?

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