

## **Gene prioritization using text mining and protein-protein interaction in livestock species**

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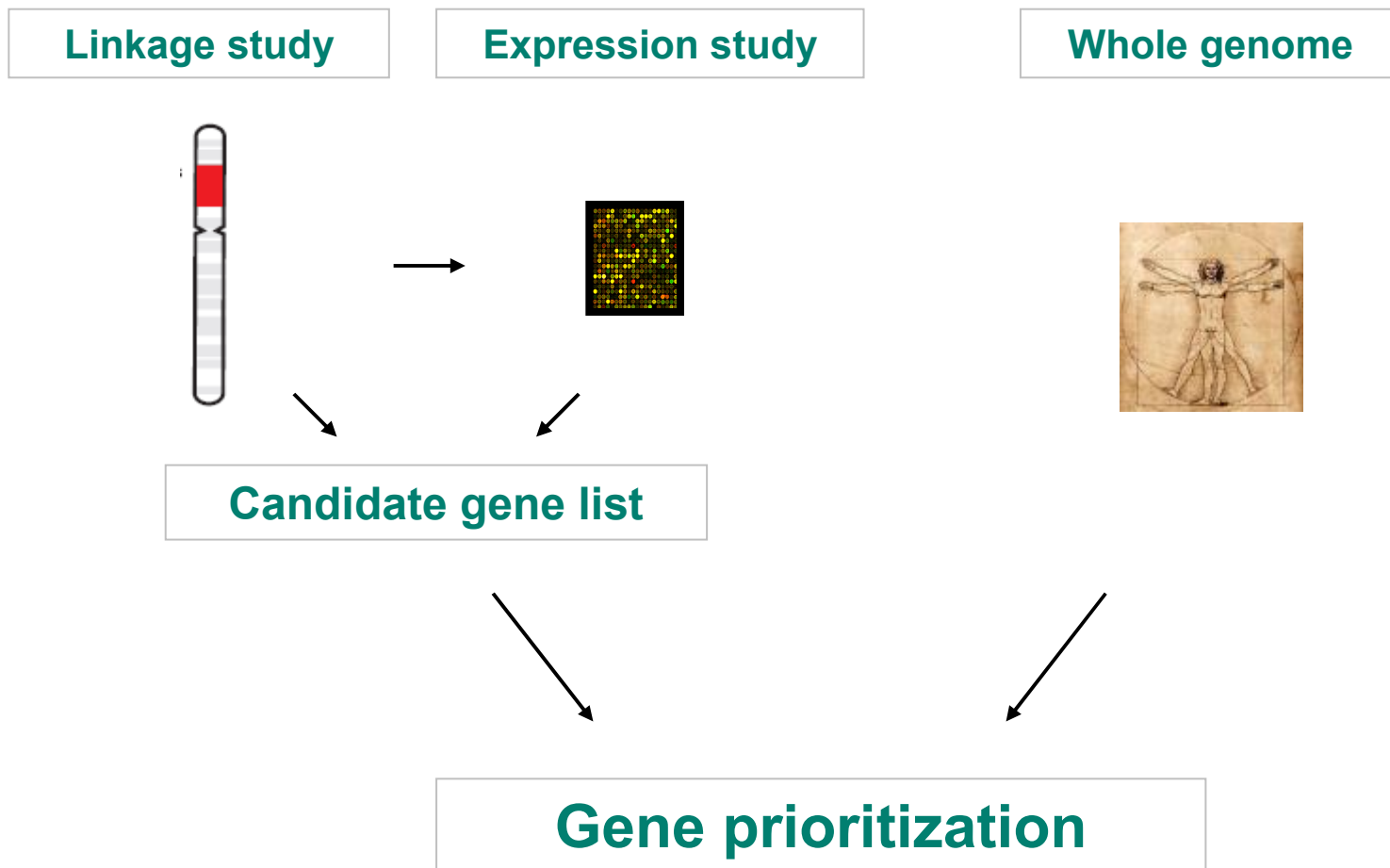


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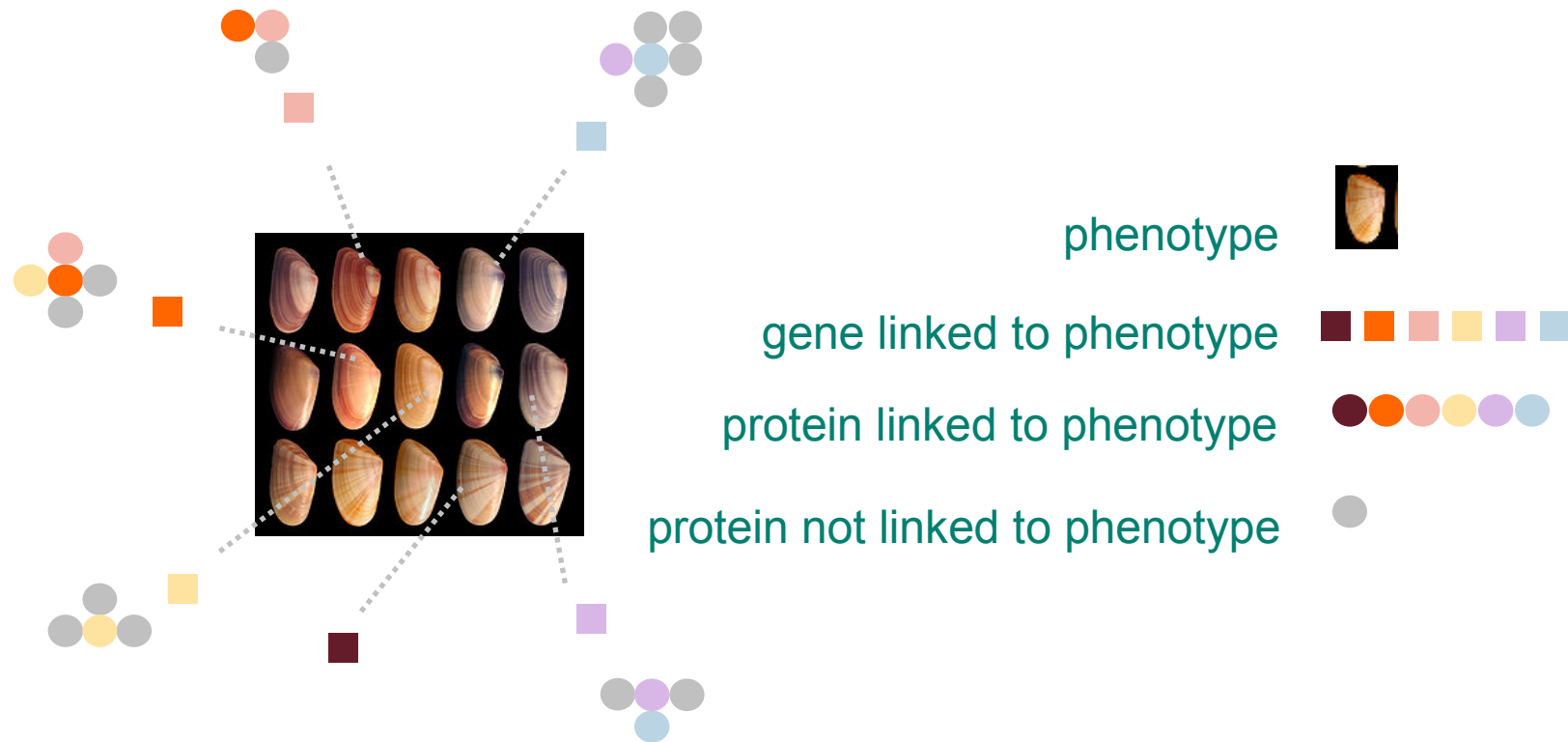
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# Find causal genes in complex traits



# Phenotype and genotype links in complex traits



# Measure phenotype similarity after text mining

**Complex vertebral malformation in Holstein calves**

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**Abstract.** A recently observed lethal congenital defect of purebred Holstein *calves* is reported.

Eighteen genetically related *calves* were necropsied. One calf had been aborted on gestation day 159, and the others were delivered between day 250 and day 285.

**Birth** weights were reduced.

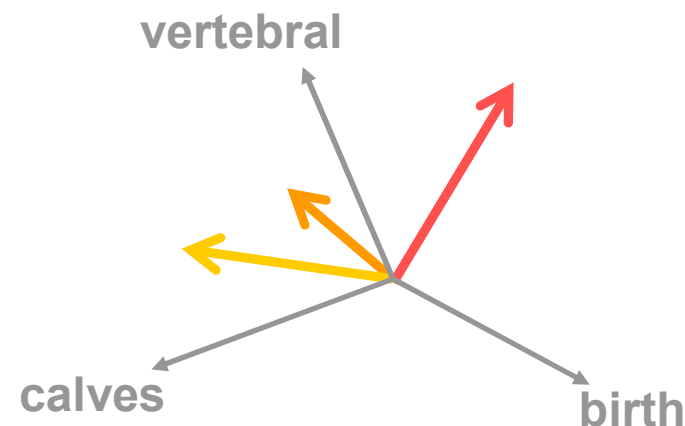
The defect was characterized by shortening of the cervical and thoracic parts of the *vertebral* column due to multiple hemivertebrae, fused and misshaped vertebrae, and scoliosis. Symmetrical flexures of the carpal joints and the metacarpophalangeal joint in combination with a slight lateral rotation of the phalanges also were present. Similar low-grade arthrogryposis was present in the posterior limbs.

Fifty percent of the *calves* had heart malformation.

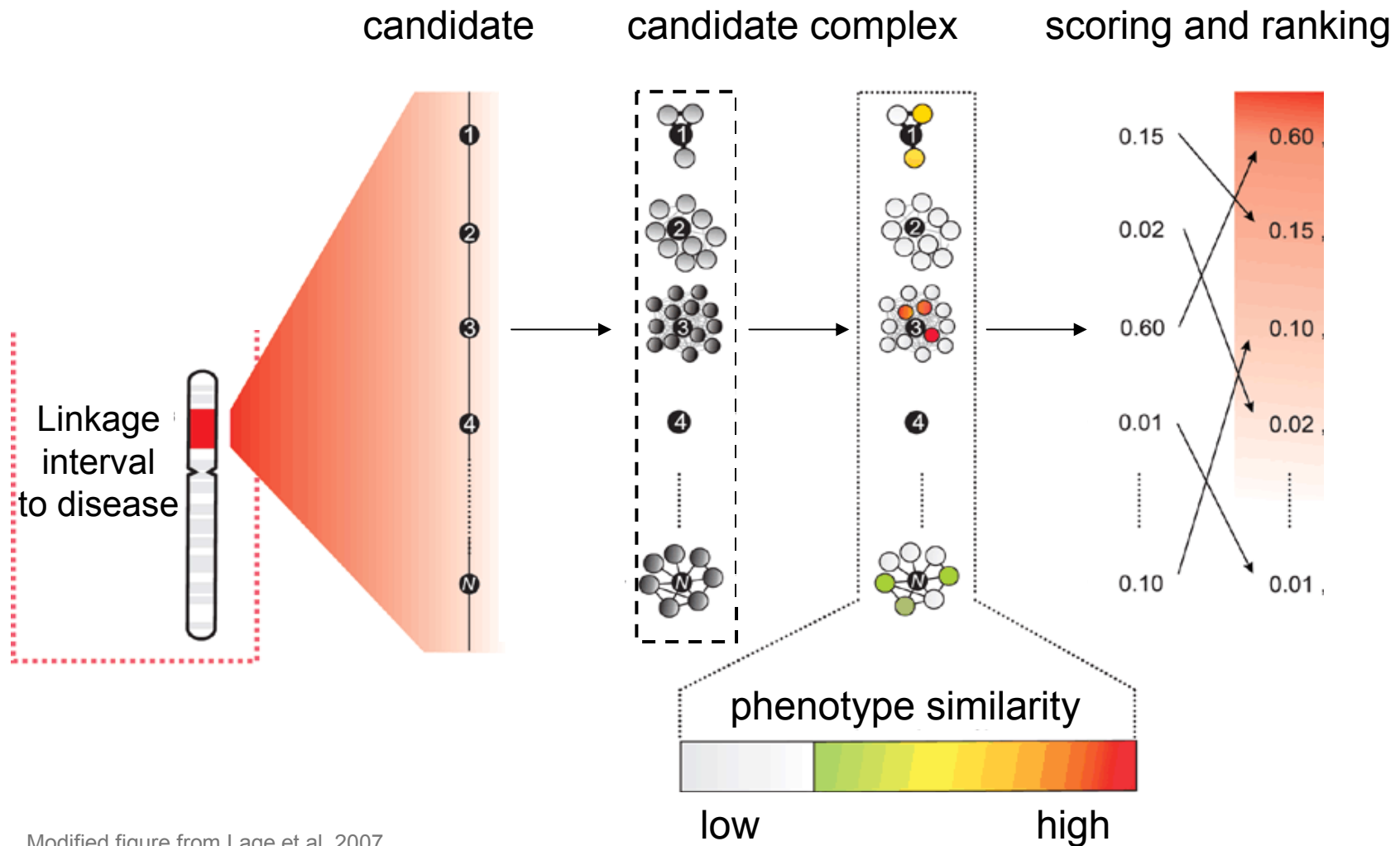
Other malformations occurred in a few *calves*.

Complex *vertebral* malformation (CVM) is proposed as the designation for this defect. A genetic etiology is indicated because cases occurred following breeding between genetically related individuals. Two common ancestors were found; both were former elite sires of US Holstein origin. Because of the widespread international use of semen from sires occurring in the pedigrees of affected *calves*, CVM is expected to occur in several countries.

Word	Count
<i>calves</i>	5
<i>birth</i>	1
...	...
<i>vertebral</i>	2

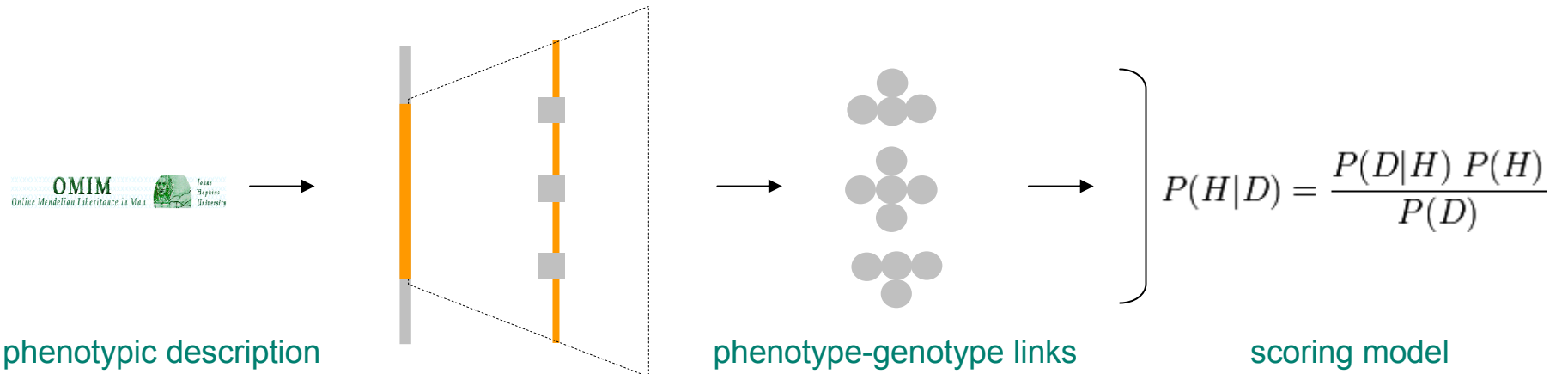


# Gene prioritization using phenome-interactome



Modified figure from Lage et al, 2007

# Challenges and solutions for livestock species



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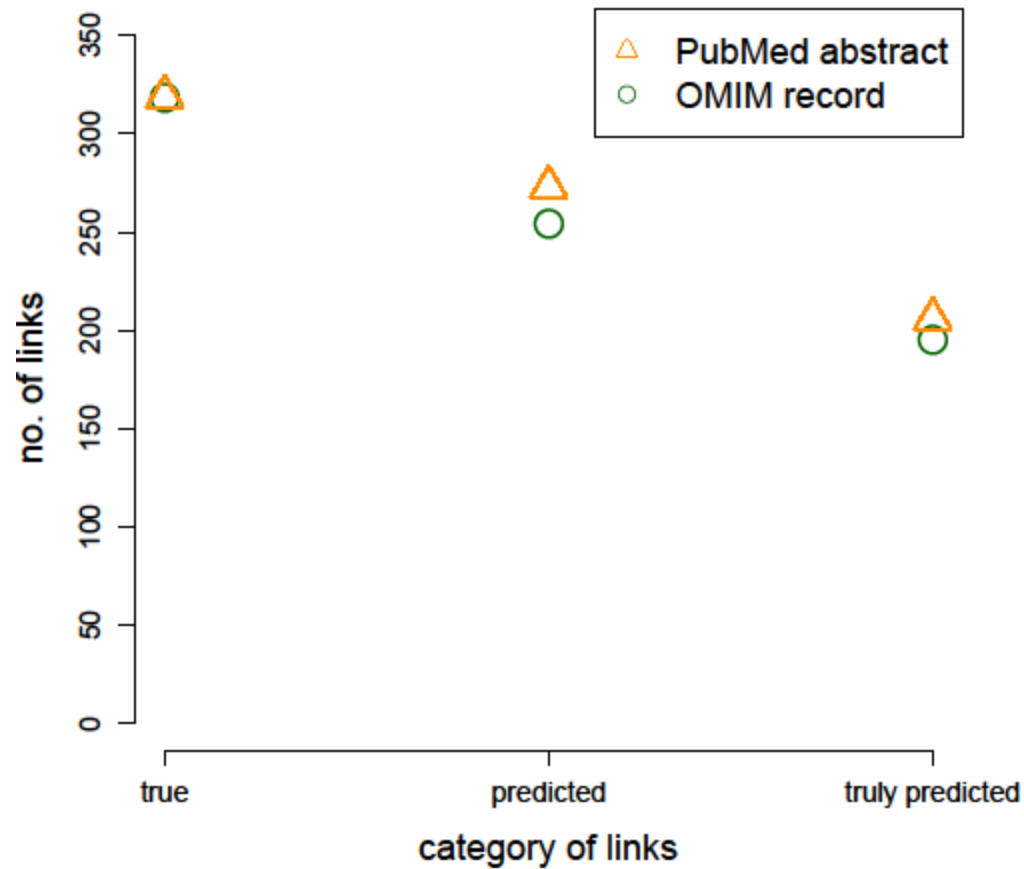


GeneRIF, PubMed abstract

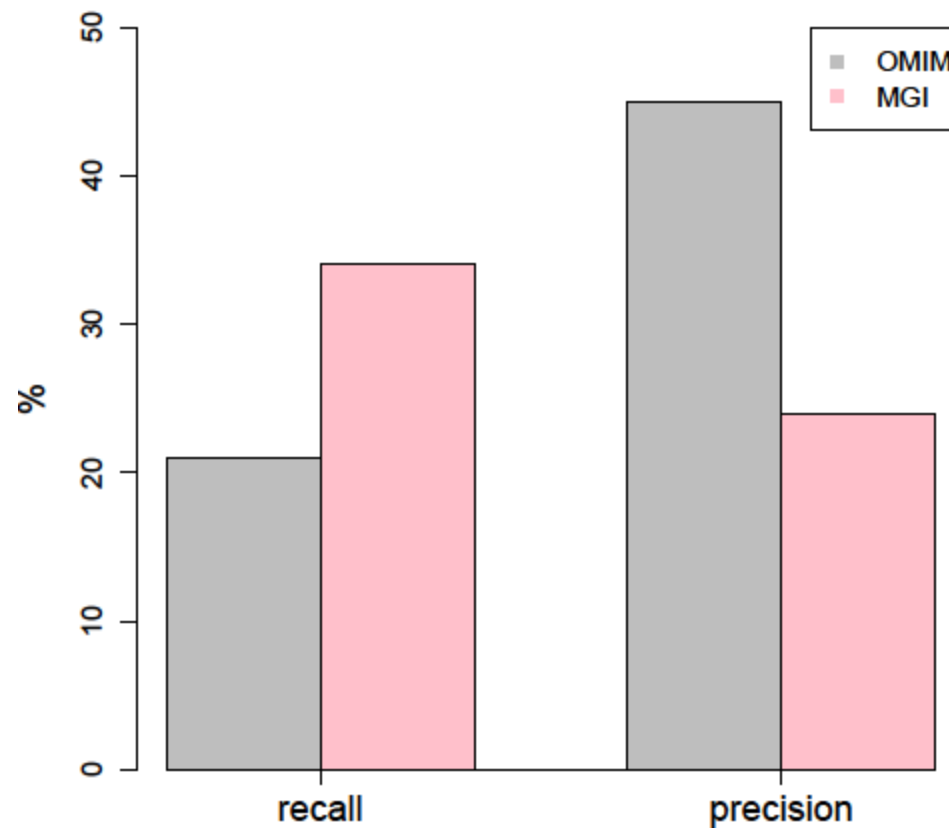


z-score  
random-set  
enrichment scoring

# Replace phenotypic description



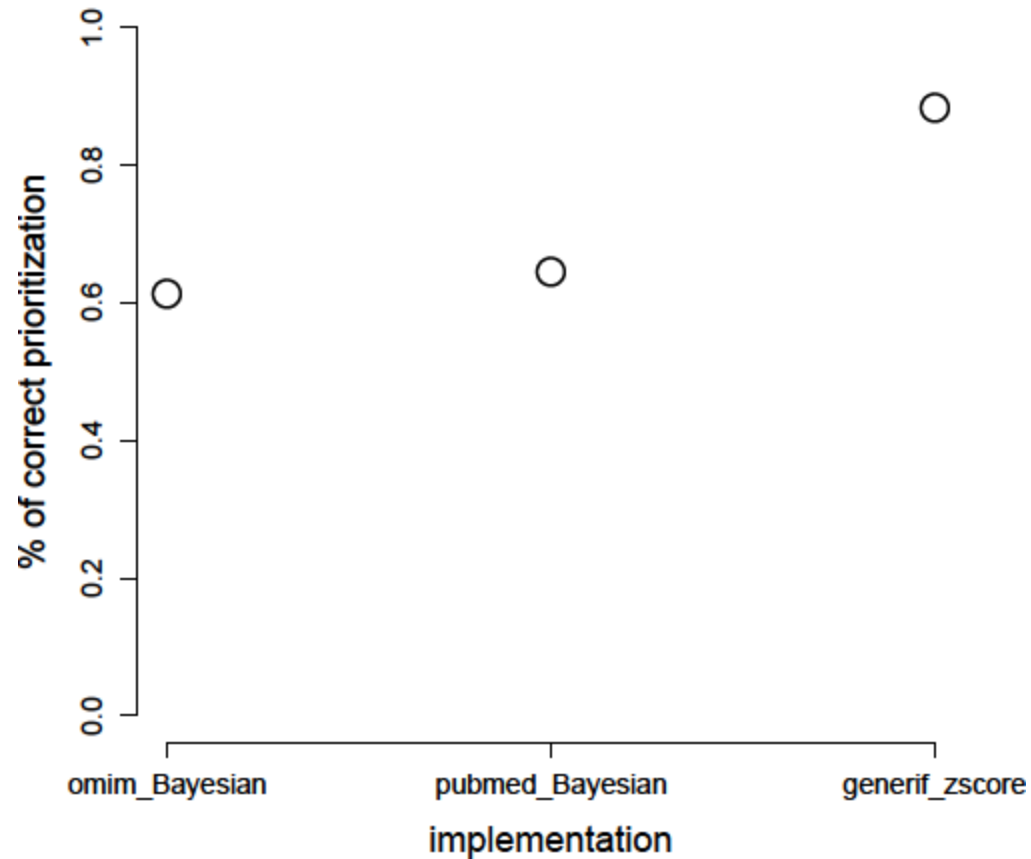
# Test Bayesian posterior model in other species



OMIM data is from Lage et al, 2007

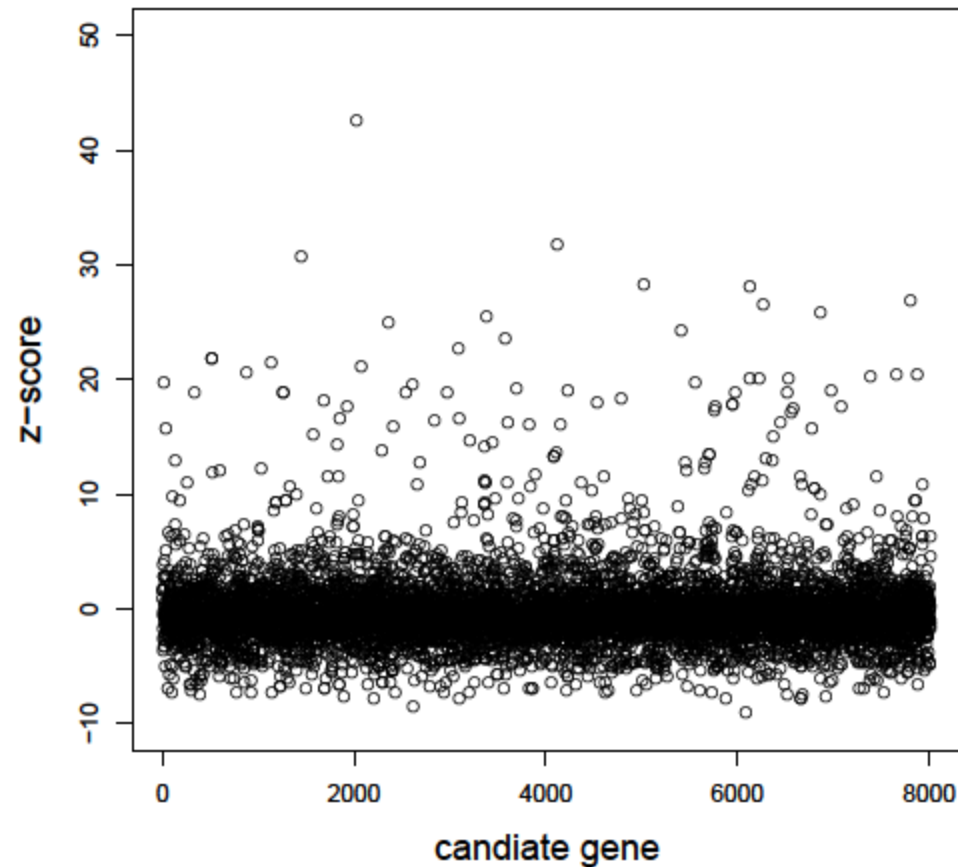


# Performance of different implementations



# Application in bovine mastitis

- Wikipedia
- GeneRIF
- z-score



# Conclusions

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- Integrating phenotypic text and protein interactions is powerful in candidate genes prioritization regardless of species.
- Data mining reference-dependent text such as PubMed abstracts, GeneRIF and Wikipedia articles provides useful phenotypic information for both traits and genes.
- Less-parametric model using z-score is optimal for flexible utilization of heterogeneous resources.



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