

BrainSpan alternative splicing

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Alignment

- 607 QCed samples
- STAR mapping with additional parameters compatible with Cufflinks

`--outSAMstrandField intronMotif`

`--outFilterIntronMotifs RemoveNoncanonical`

Transcript quantification

- **Cufflinks generate FPKM per transcript**

- excluded chrM reads

- G, using annotation, not assemble novel transcripts

- multi-read-correct, do an initial estimation of multiple mapped reads

- **RSEM generated FPKM per transcript**

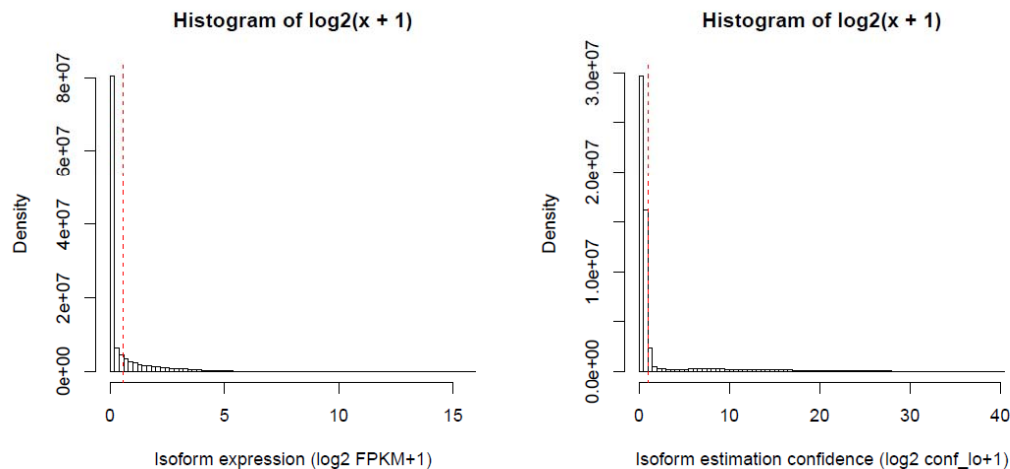
- excluded chrM reads

- with Gencode v21 annotations

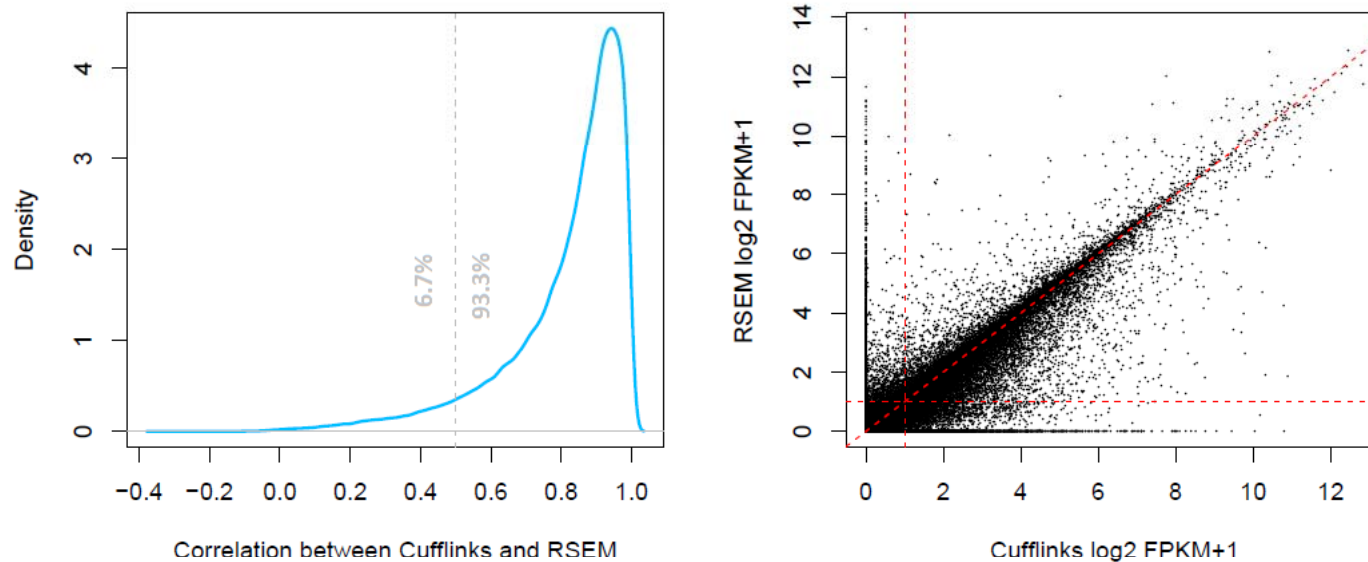
- with multiple mapped reads correction

Filter low expression

- At least 5 samples FPKM ≥ 1
- At least 5 samples CI < 1
- These 5 samples should come from more than one brains and more than one period



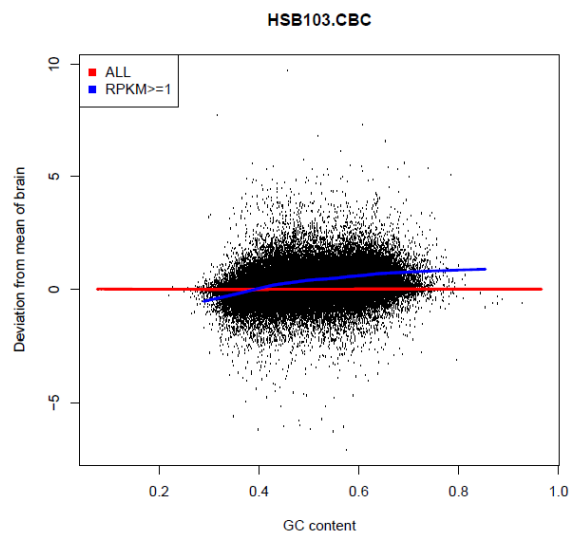
Correlation between Cufflinks and RSEM



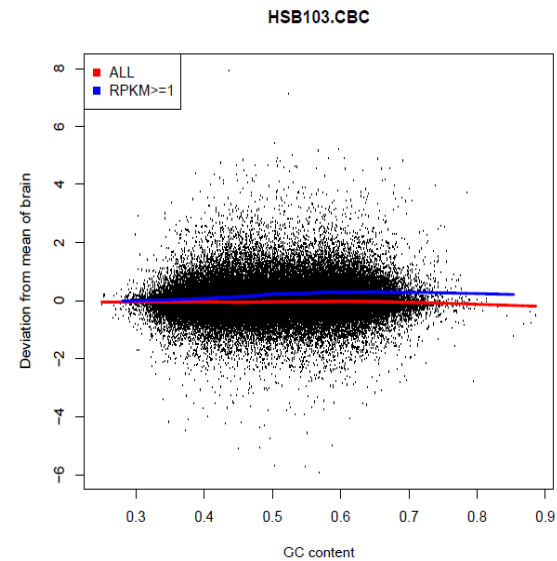
Exclude transcripts with correlation less than 0.5 estimated by two software

Normalization

- CQN correct GC and transcript length
- Combat correct batch



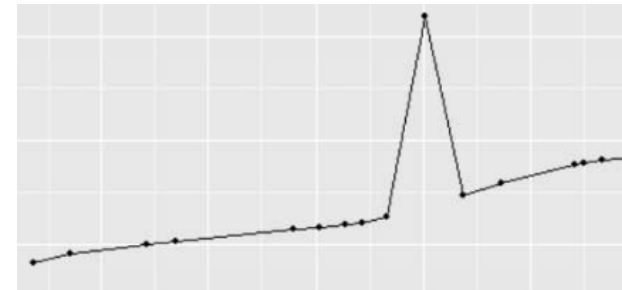
Before normalization



After normalization

More filters

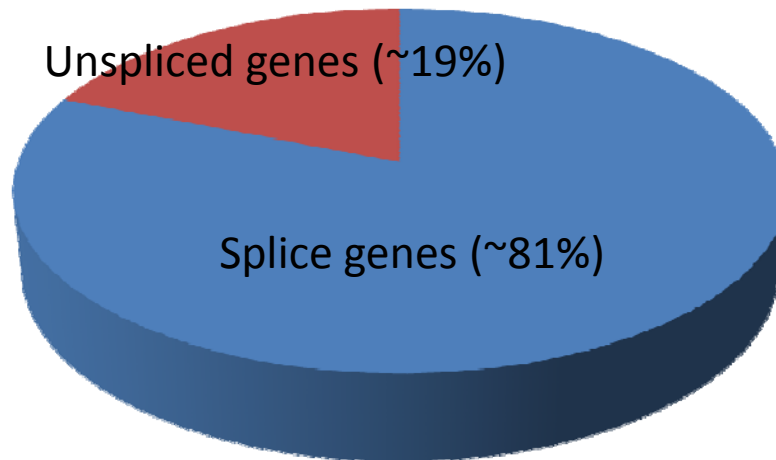
- Using pseudo replicates, more than one sample in each time period, fixing single sample sudden change



- Using WGCNA, exclude transcripts clustered in grey modules, those suffer from finding co-expressed transcripts and mostly uncertainly inferred transcripts

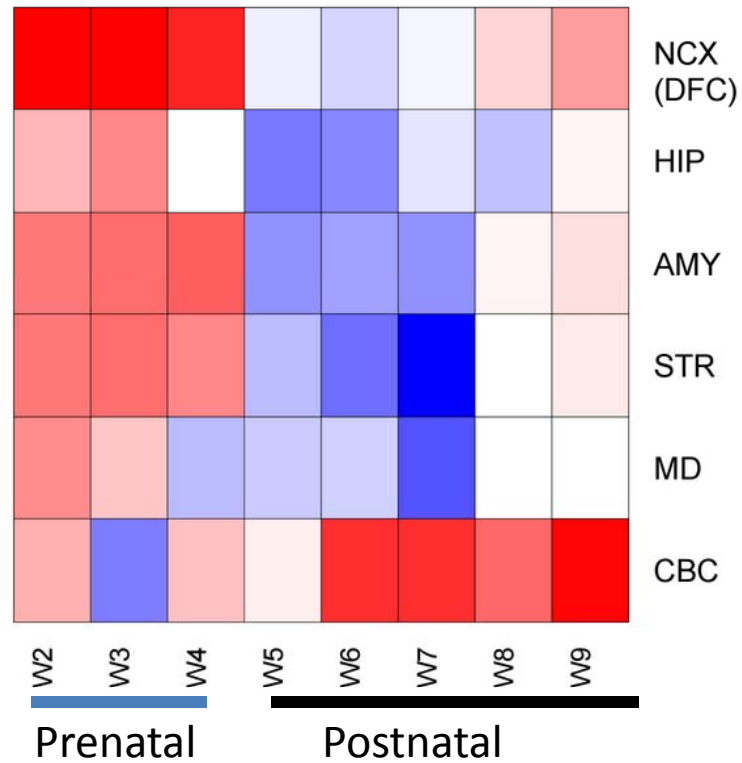
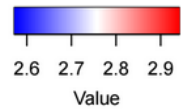
Summary data

Transcript	Gene (total)	Gene1 (>1 trans)	Gene2 (==1 trans)
61,787	15,128	12,244 (~81%)	2,884(~19%)



Transcripts abundance

Transcripts per gene



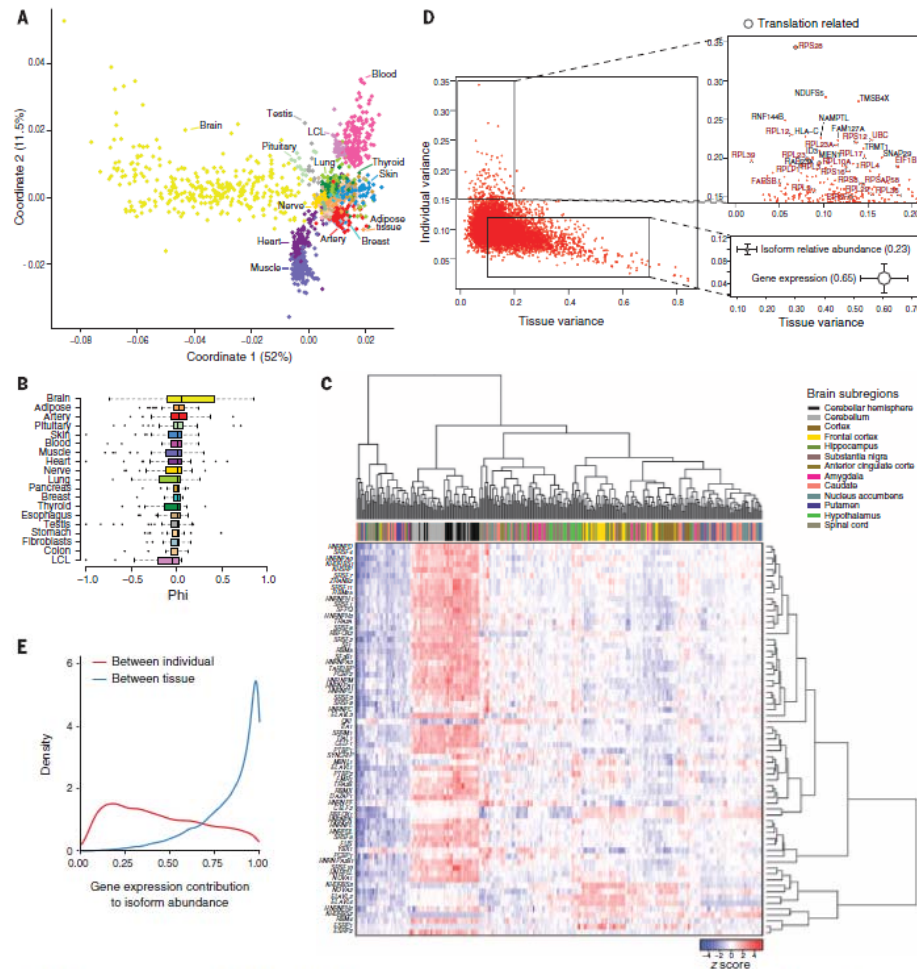


Fig. 3. Splicing across tissue and individuals. (A) Multidimensional scaling of all samples on the basis of exon inclusion levels (Percent spliced in, PSI). (B) Microexon inclusion across tissues. Values of tissue exon inclusion close to 1 (-1) indicate that the microexon is included (excluded), in nearly all samples from the tissue, and excluded (included) in nearly all samples from the rest of the tissues. Tissues are sorted according to tissue exon inclusion (ϕ) median value. (C) Clustering of brain samples on the basis of the normalized expression levels of 67 RNA binding proteins involved in splicing.

The order of samples and genes is obtained by biclustering the expression matrix. (D) Left: Contribution of tissue and individual to splicing variation in PCGs. Bottom right: Mean \pm SD of individual and tissue contributions to splicing and to gene expression variation. Circle size is proportional to the sum of tissue and individual variation and segment length corresponds to 0.5 SD. Top right: Genes with high splicing variation across individuals. (E) Contribution of gene expression to the between-individual and between-tissue variation in isoform abundance

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brain (20). Furthermore, on of RNA-binding pro- tional and preferential h in the brain (figs. 5). We found very few l or excluded in a given e S16), 40% of which in the brain. We also <15 bp) are overwhelm- compared to other tis-

ues (Wilcoxon test, $P < 1 \times 10^{-7}$, Fig. 3B). This pattern is not obvious in short exons longer than 15 bp ($P = 0.3$, fig. S21). This observed brain-specific splicing pattern may result from differential splicing in the cerebellum, because expression clustering of the brain regions reveals a general up-regulation of RNA-binding proteins specifically in the cerebellum (Fig. 3C). This is also the brain region exhibiting the largest proportion of novel splicing events (fig. S22).

67 RBP involved in splicing

