

# OpenRiskNet

RISK ASSESSMENT E-INFRASTRUCTURE

## TGX

Toxicogenomics-based prediction and mechanism  
identification

## SysGroup

A systems biology approach for grouping compounds

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OpenRiskNet: Open e-Infrastructure to Support Data Sharing, Knowledge Integration and *in silico* Analysis and Modelling in Risk Assessment  
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## Toxicogenomics based prediction and mechanism identification [TGX]

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**AIM:** To provide a transcriptomics-based hazard prediction model for identification of specific molecular initiating events (MIE)

The foreseen transcriptomics-based hazard prediction model will be applied based on:

**(A) top-down** Creation of prediction models based on differentially regulated genes

**(B) bottom-up** Using knowledge of stress response pathways to integrate data sets for their activation or inhibition (bottom-up approach).

The MIEs can include, but are not limited to:

(1) Genotoxicity (p53 activation), (2) Oxidative stress (Nrf2 activation), (3) Endoplasmic Reticulum Stress (unfolded protein response), (4) Dioxin-like activity (AhR receptor activation), (5) HIF1 alpha activation and (6) Nuclear receptor activation (e.g. for endocrine disruption).

## Risk Assessment Framework

Tier 0.3-0.4 (data collection), 1.6 (MOA)

### Databases

- diXa / BioStudies (UM)
- TG-GATEs
- EU-ToxRisk (nascent)
- HeCaToS (nascent)
- ArrayExpress / GEO

### Tools / APIs

- top-down: Data normalisation tools, prediction tools such as Caret;
- bottom-up: ToxPi

### Service integration

- Service integration will be needed for the omics databases; knowledge bases and data mining; processing and analysis.

### Activities

- First top-down case study based on Magkoufopolou *et al* 2012 paper
- Second top-down case study on meta-analysis for genotoxicity prediction in human, rat and mouse in vitro cell models

<https://openrisknet.org/e-infrastructure/development/case-studies/case-study-tgx/>



# Top-down approach → Case study 1

Create workflow based on Magkoufopoulou *et al.* 2012

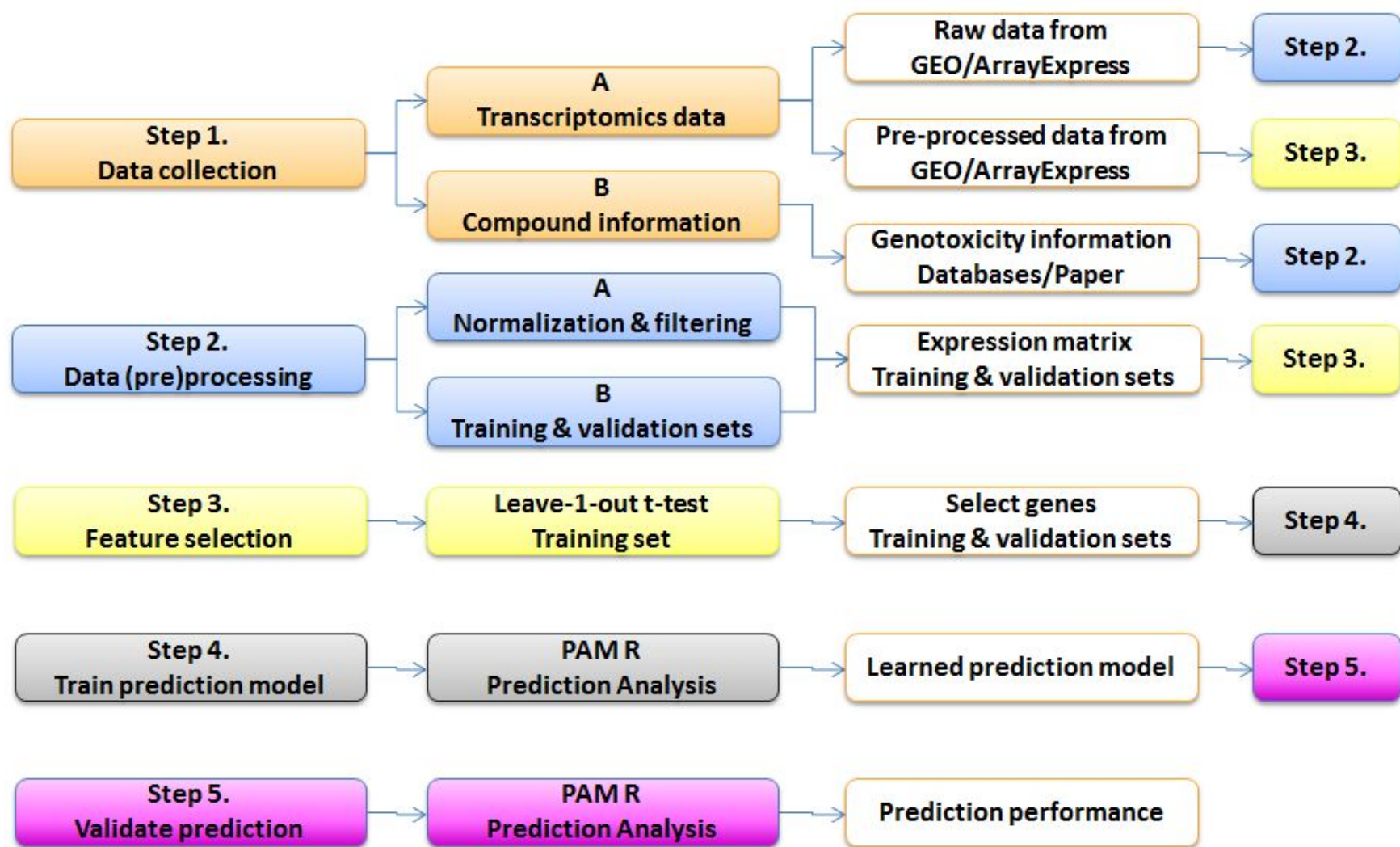
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## **A transcriptomics-based *in vitro* assay for predicting chemical genotoxicity *in vivo***

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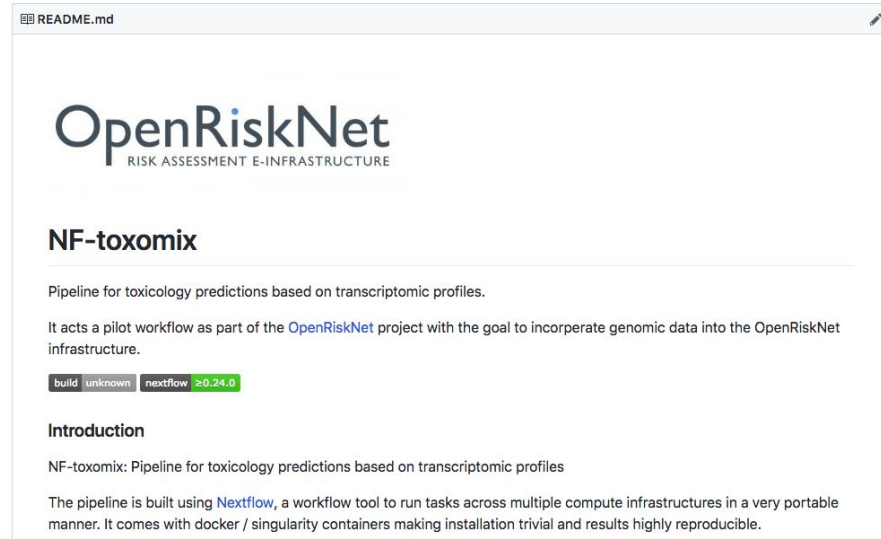


# Current status

Workflow has been established in Snakemake and is available via Gitlab

Workflow was converted into NextFlow pipeline;

Converted into a generic workflow applicable to other datasets.



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### NF-toxomix

Pipeline for toxicology predictions based on transcriptomic profiles.

It acts a pilot workflow as part of the [OpenRiskNet](#) project with the goal to incorporate genomic data into the OpenRiskNet infrastructure.

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#### Introduction

NF-toxomix: Pipeline for toxicology predictions based on transcriptomic profiles

The pipeline is built using [Nextflow](#), a workflow tool to run tasks across multiple compute infrastructures in a very portable manner. It comes with [docker](#) / [singularity](#) containers making installation trivial and results highly reproducible.



# Generic workflow

- Data collection from GEO/ArrayExpress → API available

- Retrieve (geno)toxicity information

- from **databases**

- possible, but depends of required data
- expert knowledge needed

- from paper

- difficult as presentation of information may vary
- online **pdf** → difficult, because of format;  
suppl. data as Word, Excel, txt files → possible

- All other steps comprise of R-scripts → easy to adapt

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**→ data collection relies on available metadata, used format & ontologies**

# Collaboration with implementation challenge winners

**toxplanet**

Find the chemical hazard and toxicology literature you need with our information portal

Our Federated Search engine searches the content from 500+ websites and quickly delivers relevant literature.

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Investigate the pathways triggered by exposure to toxic substances (coming soon)







## Top-down approach → Case study 2

Meta-analysis for genotoxicity prediction in human, rat and mouse *in vitro* cell models

In this case study transcriptomics data obtained from multiple data sources will be used to build a prediction model for *in vivo* genotoxicity.

A similar approach will be applied as in case study 1.

*Preliminary results on the rat data have been presented at the ICCA-LRI workshop 2018, Ottawa, Canada*  
*Preliminary results on the human data have been presented at EUROTOX 2018, Brussels, Belgium*

# Current status

The generic workflow will be applicable in this case study as well.

- Additional databases have been used, e.g. the diXa Data Warehouse  
→ included in EBI's BioStudies → an API is available
- In vitro liver transcriptomics data from multiple human, rat & mouse cell models is available via Gitlab
- (Geno)toxicity data on all compounds has been collected  
→ valuable source for ToxicODB

Other services from the implementation challenge can be incorporated.  
→ ToxPlanet databases potentially can provide genotoxicity information



## A systems biology approach for grouping compounds [SysGroup]

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**AIM:** To provide the services for **improved grouping** of compounds by integrating chemoinformatics and omics data.

Will use the approach of the diXa / DECO2 (Cefic-LRI AIMT4) projects to reproduce and extend the results obtained on the identification of hepatotoxicant groups based on similarity in mechanisms of action (omics-based) and chemical structure using services from OpenRiskNet.

### Objectives

- This case study will implement an integrated analysis approach using chemoinformatics and omics data for improved grouping of compounds with similar toxicity and/or mode of action

## Risk Assessment Framework

Tier 0.2-0.4 (data collection, read across)

### Databases

- diXa /BioStudies (UM)
- PubChem
- ChEMBL

### Tools / APIs

- PubChem
- ChEMBL or PIDGIN
- (pre)processing tools for gene expression data (e.g. microarray data) → e.g. arrayanalysis.org (UM)
- iClusterPlus

### Required steps

- Chemical similarity calculated by 2D or 3D Tanimoto coefficient (PubChem)
- Protein target prediction (ChEMBL/PIDGIN)
- Interface to diXa for obtaining gene expression data
- Integration of the multiple data sources and grouping by iClusterPlus

### Service integration

- Integration with other case studies is needed. SysGroup acquires information from the DataCure case study and can feed into AOPLink and ModelRX.



# Flowchart SysGroup

