Leveraging Congenital Heart Disease Mouse Model Findings to Improve Clinical Outcome









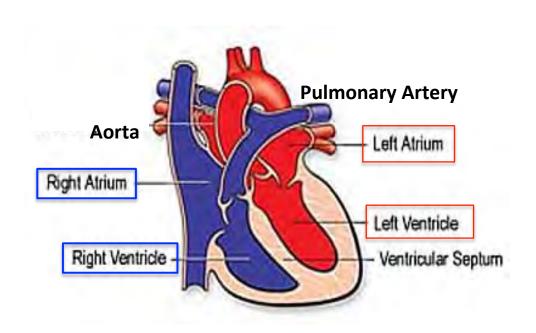
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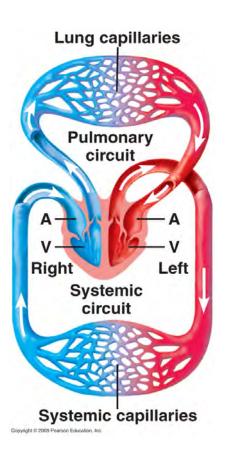
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Congenital Heart disease

- One of the most common birth defects
- Characterized by abnormalities in cardiovascular structures

Four-Chamber Heart with Separate Systemic-Pulmonary Circulation



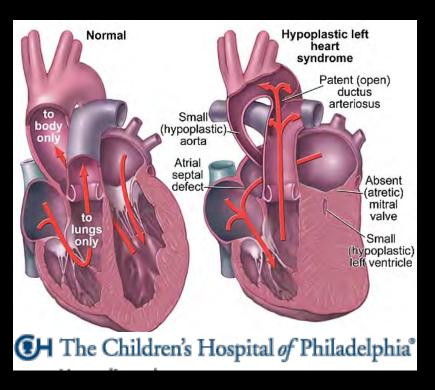


Congenital Heart Disease

Advances in surgical palliation allows most CHD patients to survive their structural heart defects

 Patients with the same structural heart defect can have very different outcome.

Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS)

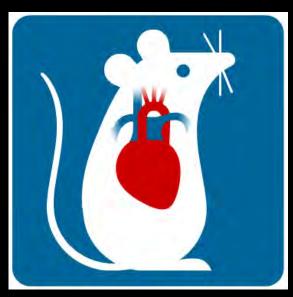


- Aortic Atresia/Stenosis
- Hypoplastic LV
- Mitral Valve Atresia/Stenosis

Patient intrinsic factors play a significant role in determining the long term outcome of patients with HLHS and other CHD.

Genetic Etiology of Congenital Heart Disease

MOUSE

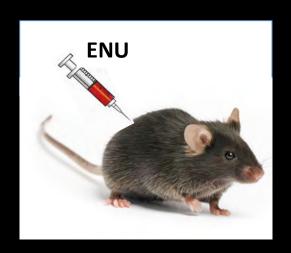


- Mice have same 4-chamber cardiac anatomy as human
- Inbred mice avoid genetic heterogeneity in human studies

SYSTEMS GENETICS APPROACH

A large scale forward genetic screen to interrogate the genetic etiology of congenital heart disease

- Phenotype driven approach without a priori gene bias
- Identify genes and pathways driving CHD pathogenesis
- Insights into the genomic context for disease pathogenesis



In Utero Ultrasound Screen





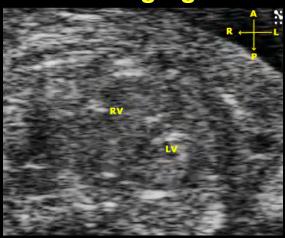
Frontal View

Sagittal View

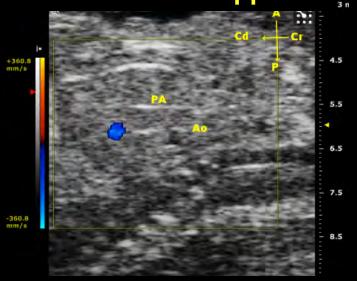
Cardiac Phenotyping by Noninvasive Fetal Ultrasound

High Throughput and High Detection Sensitivity/Specificity for CHD

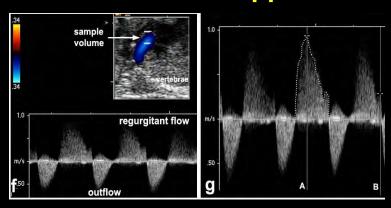
2D Imaging



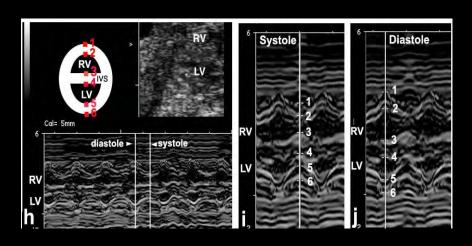
Color Flow Doppler



Pulsed Wave Doppler



M-Mode Imaging



Summary of Ultrasound Screen

	Pedigrees	G2 Females	Total Fetuses	With Cardiac Anomalies
Total Screened	3007	12377	100,057	
Cardiac	1220	2091	3290	
Anomalies	(40.6%)	(16.9%)	(3.3%)	
Prenatal	823	1178	1631	306
Lethality	(27.4%)	(9.5%)	(1.6%)	(18.8%)
Growth	211	400	642	552
Retarded	(7.0%)	(3.2%)	(0.6%)	(86.0%)
Hydrops	745	1176	1811	1228
	(24.8%)	(9.5%)	(1.8%)	(67.6%)
Craniofacial/	178	354	625	466
Limb Defects	(5.9%)	(2.9%)	(0.6%)	(74.6%)
Body Wall	36	42	56	45
Defects	(1.2%)	(0.3%)	(0.1%)	(80.4%)
Laterality	54	78	101	96
Defects	(1.8%)	(0.6%)	(0.1%)	(95.0%)

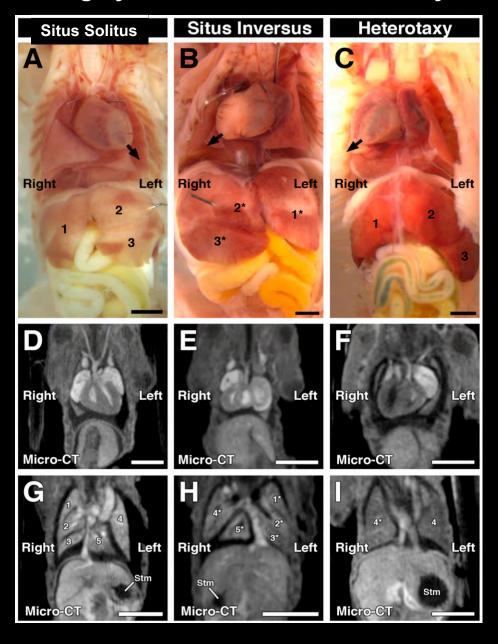
Noncardiac defects highly associated with CHD

~300 Mutant Mouse Lines Recovered Wide Spectrum CHD Phenotypes

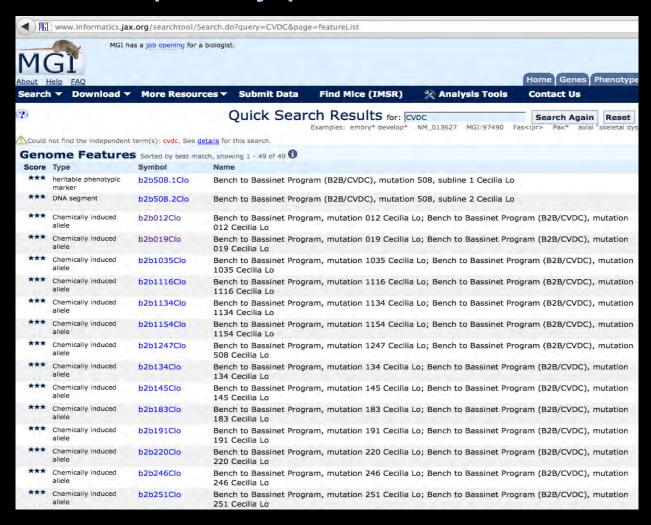
PHENOTYPE	No. Mutant Lines
Laterality defects	71
Great artery anomalies	79
ASD/VSD/AVSD	64
Aortic arch anomalies	25
Left heart obstructive lesions	11
Right heart obstructive lesions	11
Myocardial anomalies	18
Craniofacial defects	45
Kidney defects	40
TOTAL LINES	>200

25% of the CHD mutants exhibit laterality defects

Complex CHD Highly Associated with Heterotaxy



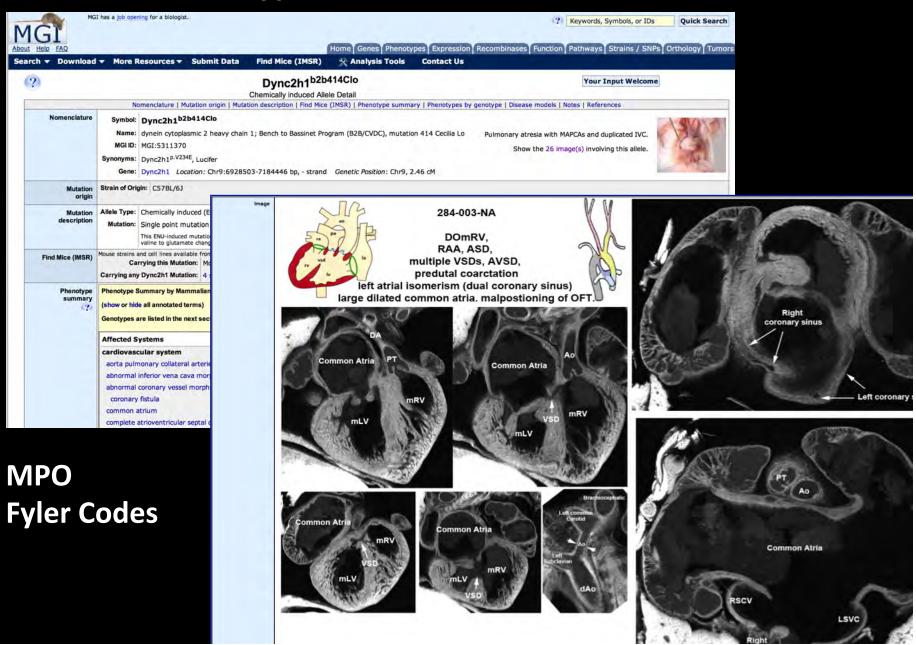
>300 Mutant Mouse Lines Sperm Cryopreserved at JAX



http://www.informatics.jax.org Search term: B2B

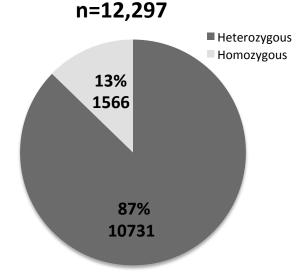
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Detailed Phenotype Annotation in MGI



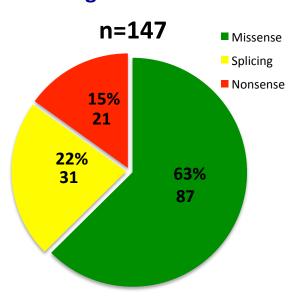
Mutation Recovery by Exome Sequencing

All Coding/Splicing Mutations



Mutations in 7,235 genes

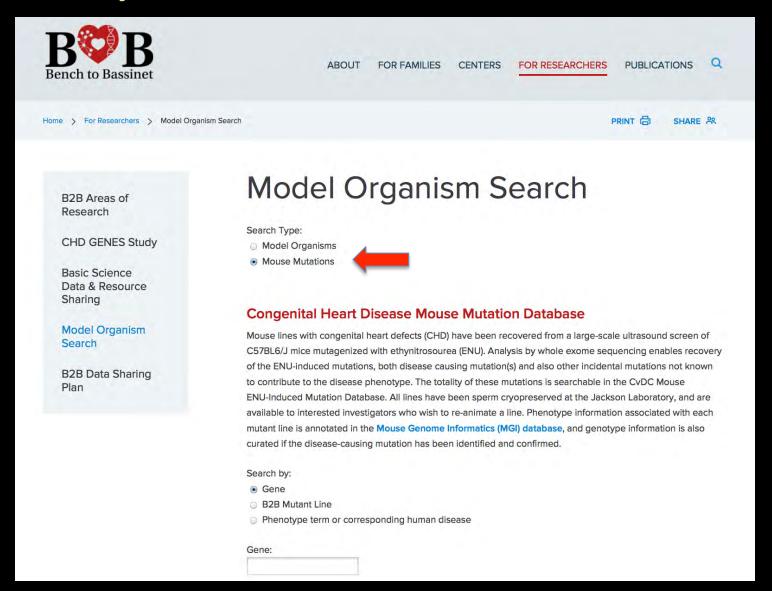
Pathogenic Mutations



Mutations in 98 genes

Suggests Screen at 30% Saturation

Library of >12,000 Mouse Mutations Available



http://benchtobassinet.com/ForResearchers/ModelOrganismSearch

CHD Mutation Recovery

- 98 genes with 147 pathogenic mutations
- 23 genes with multiple alleles.
- 47 novel CHD genes

Estimating Number of CHD Genes in Mouse Genome

Unseen Species Method

$$C = c/u + (g^2)*d*(1-u)/u$$

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c= number of observed CHD genes (97);
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c1= number of CHD genes with 1 mutation (74);

d= total number of CHD mutations (141);

u=1-c1/d (0.419)

probability that newly added mutation hits a previously mutated gene;

g = the coefficient of variation of probability that one or more mutations would fall in each gene (averaged by 10,000 simulations)

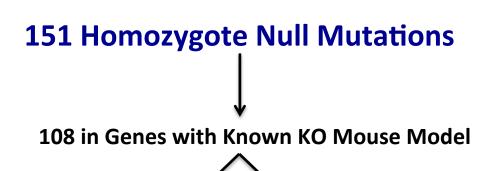
Sanders et al., Nature 485:273-41, 2012 Zaidi et al., Nature 498:220-223, 2013 Chao and Lee, J. Am. Statistical Association 87(417):210-217, 1992

Estimated No. CHD Genes: ~272

Suggests screen is at ~35% saturation

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Homozygote Null Mutations



KOMP suggests 30% embryonic lethals expected

4 genes exhibit early embryonic lethality

104 viable to weaning



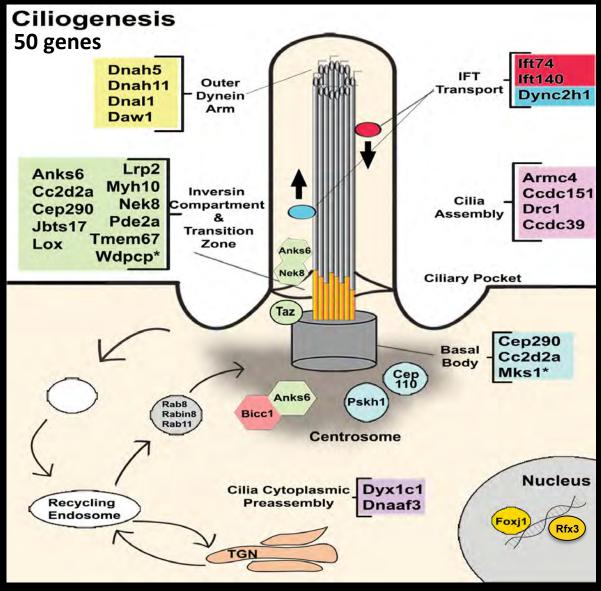
Chen et al., Nat Biotech 2016

CHD Genes

- Cilia Related (50)
- Cilia Transduced Cell Signaling (21)
- Endocytic/Vesicular Trafficking (15)

Disturbance of cilia and cilia related function plays an important role in the pathogenesis of CHD

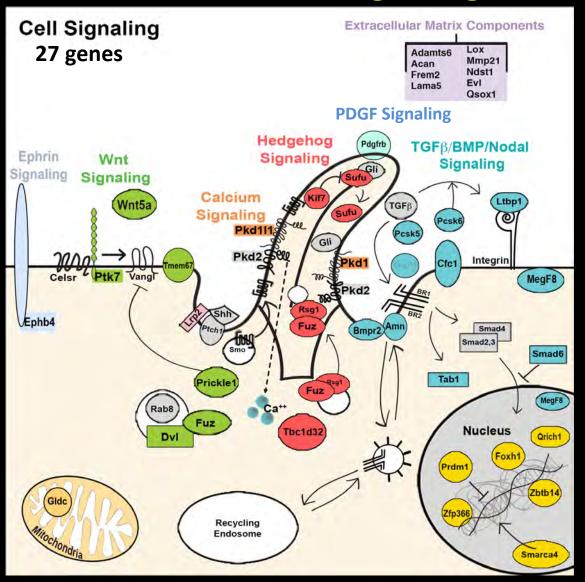
Ciliome CHD Genes



Armc4 Cc2d2a **Ccdc151** Ccdc39 Dnaaf3 Dnah5 Dnah11 **Dnai1** Drc1 Dyx1c1 Anks6 Nek8 IFT140 Dync2h1 Cep290 Jbts17 **Tmem67** Wdpcp Mks1

50% of Ciliome Mutations in Non-Laterality Mutant Lines

Cilia Transduced Cell Signaling Genes



DvI3 Ptk7 Prickle1 Wnt5a Pkd1I1 Pkd1 Fuz Sufu Tbc1d32 Bmpr2 Pcks5 Pcsk6 Cfc1 Ltbp1 Megf8 Smad6 Tab1 **Pdgfrb**

De Novo Pathogenic Mutations Recovered in CHD Patients from PCGC Exome Analysis

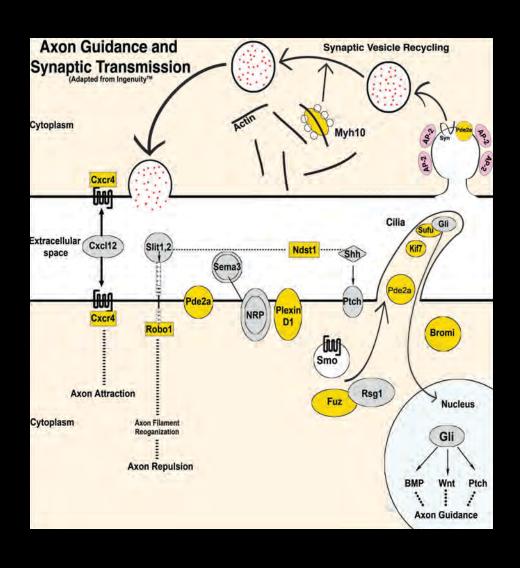
11 of 27 (41%) in pathways identified by mouse CHD screen

Patient ID	CHD [§]	Gene	Mutation	Gene Function
1-00638	CTD	FBN2	p.D2191N	TGFβ signaling
1-02020	HTX	SMAD2	p.IVS12+1G>A	TGFβ signaling
1-02621	нтх	SMAD2	p.W244C	TGFβ signaling
1-00197	LVO	BCL9	p.M1395K	WNT signaling
1-01828	CTD	DAPK3	p.P193L	WNT signaling
1-01138	LVO	USP34	p.L432P	WNT signaling
1-00802	LVO	PTCH1	p.R831Q	SHH signaling/Ciliome
1-02598	HTX	LRP2*	p.E4372K	SHH signaling/Endocytic trafficking
1-01913	Other	RAB10	p.N112S	Endocytic trafficking
1-00750	LVO	HUWE1	p.R3219C	Ciliome
1-01151	CTD	SUV420H1	p.R143C	Ciliome
1-00853	CTD	WDR5	p.K7Q	Ciliome
1-02952	LVO	PITX2	p.A47V	Laterality related



Pediatric Cardiac Genomics Consortium (Zaidi et al., Nature 498: 220-223,2013)

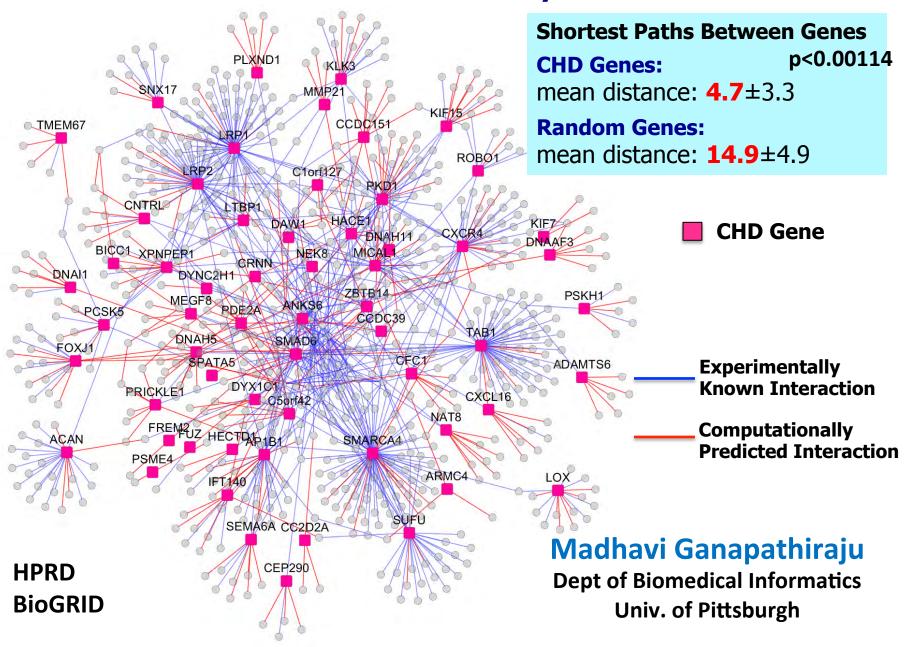
Axon Guidance, Neurogenesis, and Synpatic Transmission



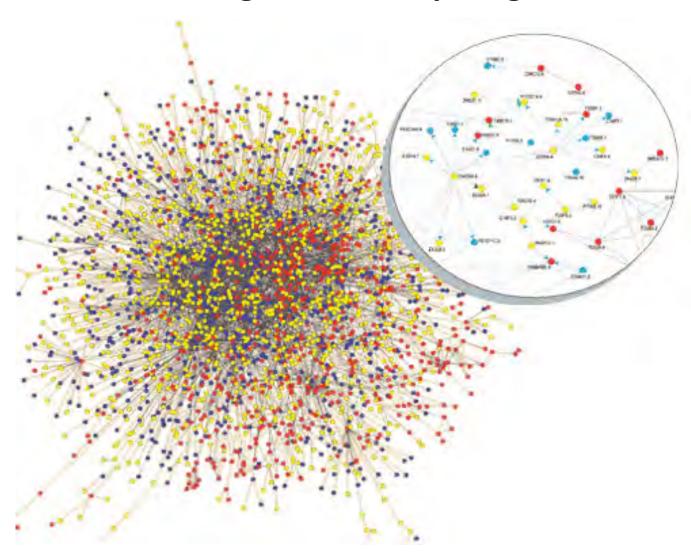
Pathogenic CHD Mutations in Interacting Proteins

- Anks6-Nek8
- Bicc1-Ank6
- Nek8-TAZ
- Cep110-Cep290
- Snx17-Lrp1
- Transition Zone Complex
- · CPLANE Proteins: Wdpcp, Jbts17, Fuz, Rsg1

Interactome Network Generated by Mouse CHD Genes



Interactome network may provide the genomic context contributing to the complex genetics of CHD



Experimental evidence for complex genetic interactions causing CHD?

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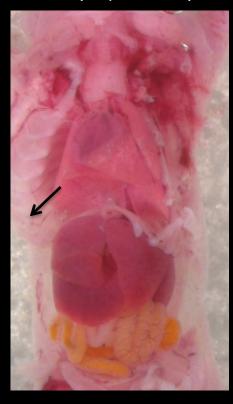
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ANKS6 is the critical activator of NEK8 kinase in embryonic situs determination and organ patterning

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Anks6-Nek8 Exhibit Epistasis

Anks6 +/m, Nek8 +/m



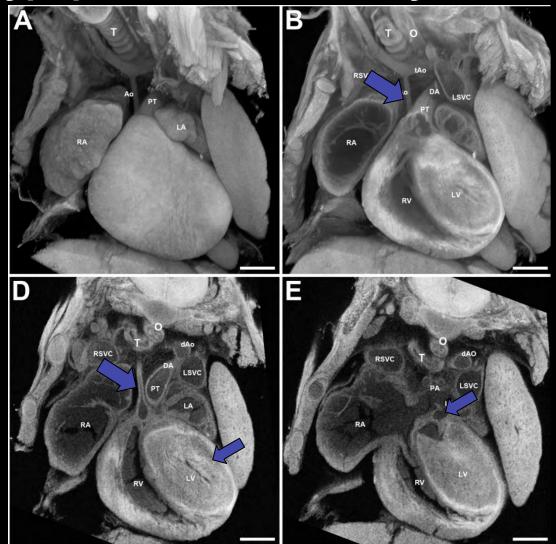
Anks6 +/m X Nek8 +/m

Genotype	# Embryos
Anks6 +/+, Nek8 +/+	47 (29%)
Ansk6 +/m, Nek8 +/+	45 (27%)
Ansk6 +/+, Nek8 +/m	42 (26%)
Ansk6 +/m, Nek8 +/m	27 (16%)
TOTAL	161

 17/27 (62%) Anks6/Nek8 double heterozygote mice have same phenotypes as homozygote mutants

Anks6/Nek8 digenic interactions can yield same phenotype as *Ank6* or *Nek8* homozygote mutants

Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome



Hypoplastic Aorta

Hypoplastic Mitral Valve

Multigenic etiology indicated with no mutations shared in common among 8 lines

Systems Genetics with Mutagenesis to Interrogate the Complex Genetics of Human Diseases

- Mendelian genetic contribution to disease
- Complex genetics of disease
- Genomic context of disease pathogenesis genetic resiliency, protective vs. pathogenic alleles, penetrance
- Potential value of a mutagenesis database to query sequence variants

Animal Modeling of Human Diseases

- Animal model should have similar anatomy/physiology relevant to human <u>disease</u>
- Availability of inbred strains important for genetic analysis
- Phenotype ontology should parallel the human phenotype ontology
- Disseminate phenotype and genotype data in public databases
- Animal model validation of human sequence variants

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