

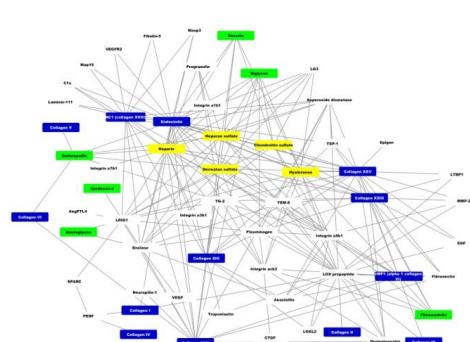


# Extracellular interaction networks: from structure to functions

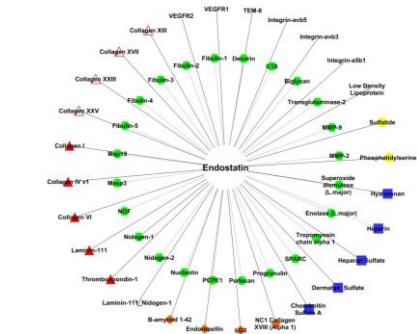
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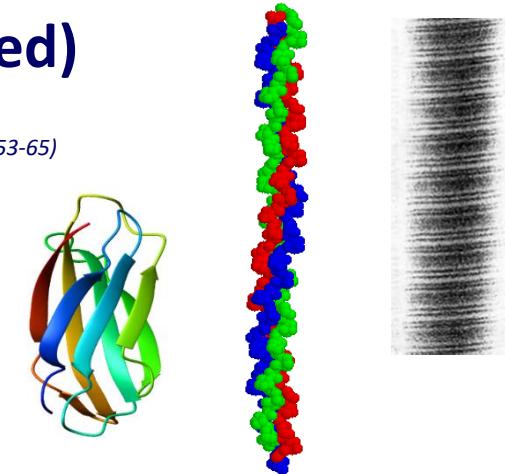
<http://matrixdb.univ-lyon1.fr/>



# The extracellular matrix (ECM): a small proteome

## 1100 proteins (matrisome and matrisome-associated)

- Intrinsically disordered sequences (*Peysselot et al. 2011 Mol Biosyst. 7:3353-65*)
- Multi-domain proteins
- Multimers and supramolecular assemblies

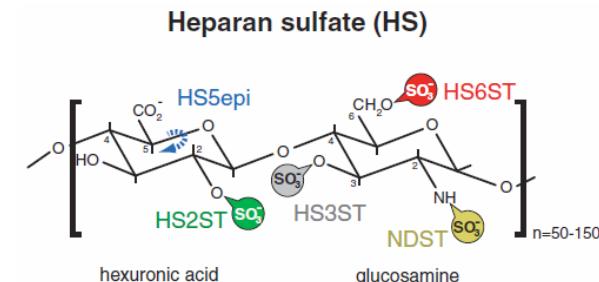


## 6 polysaccharides (glycosaminoglycans, GAGs)

- Hyaluronan
- Heparin, heparan, chondroitin, dermatan, and keratan sulfate
- Structural heterogeneity

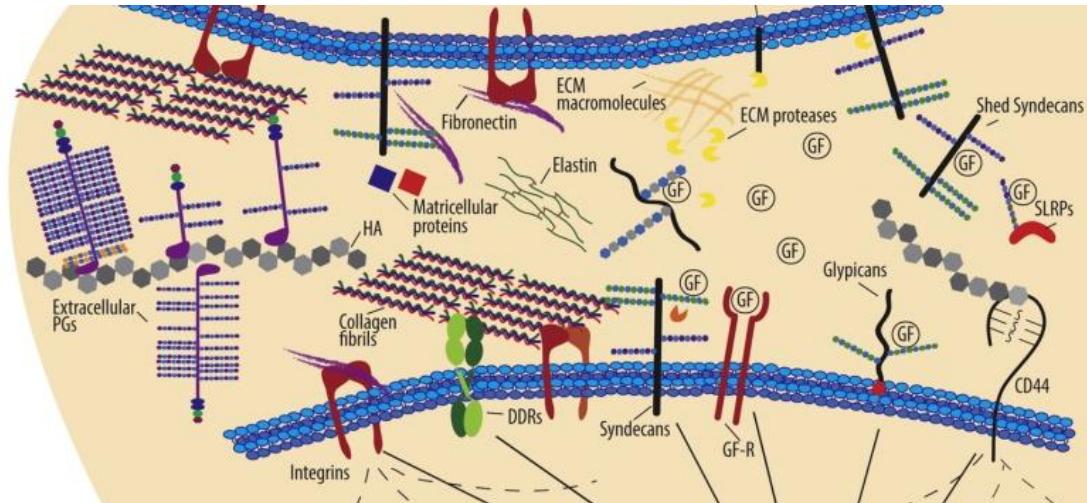
## Bioactive fragments (matricryptins) released upon remodeling

(Ricard-Blum and Vallet, *Matrix Biol.* 2017 Nov 11. pii: S0945-053X(17)30277-9)



(Bülow, Hobert *Ann Rev Cell Dev Biol* 2006 22:375–407)

# The ECM is a network of protein and GAG interactions



(Theocharis et al. 2016 Adv Drug Deliv Rev. 97:4-27)

## Why building the ECM network *in vitro*?

- To identify new functions of ECM proteins
- To decipher the molecular mechanisms underlying ECM assembly and functions
- To determine how the ECM network is rewired in diseases
- To build 3D models of tissue-specific ECM

# The ECM network is context-dependent

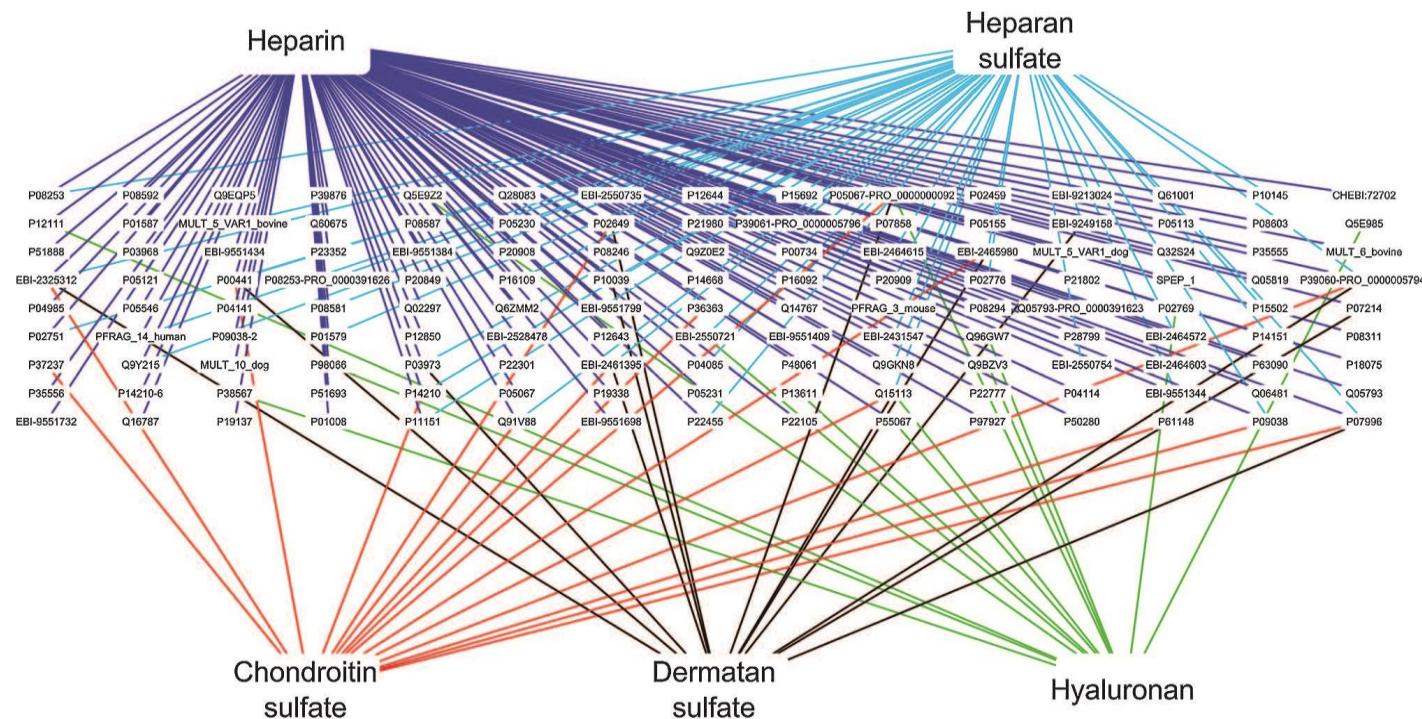
- **Flavors:** tissue, molecular function, biological process
- **Regulators:** mutations, splicing, post-translational modifications, growth factors, proteinases, **intrinsic disorder**
- **Prioritizers:** kinetics and affinity



Molecular and biological contexts promote/abolish interactions  
leading to **network rewiring** (loss/gain of functions)

# Human ECM interaction network 2.0

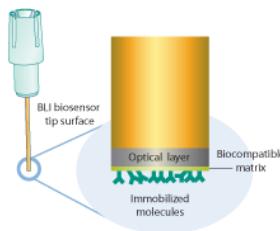
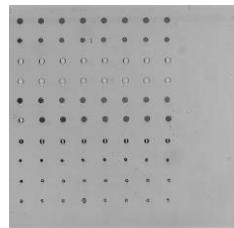
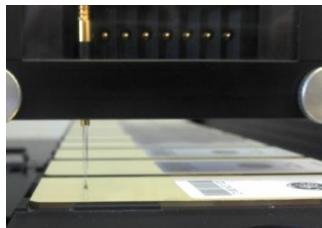
- 200 new interactions connecting 60 ECM proteins/GAGs identified by SPRi, SPR, and BLI
- 5600 interactions connecting 850 ECM proteins/GAGs in databases



Heparin/Heparan sulfate network

# 1. Identification of interactions

## Experimental data



SPR

SPRi

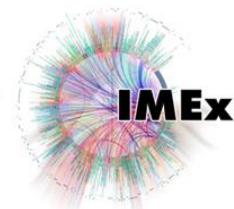
BLI

Surface Plasmon  
Resonance

Bio-Layer  
Interferometry

## Literature curation

PubMed



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*Launay et al. Nucleic Acids Res 2015 43: D321-327*

## Predictions of protein-protein interactions

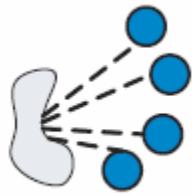
- Domain-domain interactions
- Integrated Interactions Database ([ophid.utoronto.ca/iid/](http://ophid.utoronto.ca/iid/))



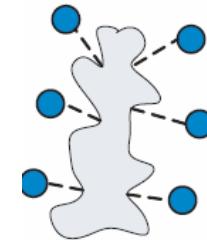
## 2. Characterization of interactions: binding sites

Binding interface

3D structure of binary/ternary complexes



Competitive  
interactions



Non-competitive  
interactions

- X-ray, NMR
- SAXS, cryo-EM
- Molecular modeling
- Molecular dynamics

Intrinsic disorder

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