

# Visualisation and analysis of the complexome network of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

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## Abstract:

Most processes in the cell are delivered by protein complexes, rather than individual proteins. While the association of proteins has been studied extensively in protein-protein interaction networks (the interactome), an intuitive and effective representation of complex-complex connections (the complexome) is not yet available. Here, we describe a new representation of the complexome of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. Using the core-module-attachment data of Gavin et al. (Nature 2006, 440, 631-6), protein complexes in the network are represented as nodes; these are connected by edges that represent shared core and/or module protein subunits. To validate this network, we examined the network topology and its distribution of biological processes. The complexome network showed scale-free characteristics, with a power law-like node degree distribution and clustering coefficient independent of node degree. Connected complexes in the network showed similarities in biological process that were non-random. Further to this,

clusters of interacting complexes reflected a higher-level organisation of many cellular functions. The strong functional relationships seen in these clusters, along with literature evidence, allowed 45 uncharacterised complexes to be assigned putative functions using guilt-by-association. We demonstrate our network model using the GEOMI visualisation platform, on which we have developed capabilities to integrate and visualise complexome data.

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Complexome, complex-complex network, *S. cerevisiae*, interaction network, GEOMI, network visualisation, interactome

**Introduction:**

Protein-protein interactions have been studied extensively in many species, primarily using two-hybrid techniques <sup>1, 2, 3, 4, 5</sup>. The resulting data have been used to construct protein-protein interaction networks. These have been the subject of detailed analysis, leading to important insights into the type and nature of protein interactions, as well as the molecular basis of biological phenomena such as disease <sup>6</sup> and pleiotropy <sup>3</sup>.

In yeast, in addition to studies of protein-protein interactions by two-hybrid and other protein complementation assays, there have also been intensive studies of the 'complexome' – the entirety of protein and molecular complexes in the cell. This offers a higher order view of the proteome. Protein complexes have typically been characterised using a combination of affinity purification and tandem mass

spectrometry<sup>7, 8</sup>. Studies have been conducted on a large scale in *S. cerevisiae*, whereby almost all proteins in the yeast proteome have been analysed in this fashion. This has been repeated a number of times<sup>9, 10, 11, 12</sup>. All together, as documented in the MIPS database, the yeast complexome consists of about 875 heteromeric protein complexes<sup>13</sup>. This is consistent with estimates from Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup>. However, techniques used to detect and analyse complexes so far have favoured the discovery of stable, rather than transient interactions.

In two proteome-scale studies, Gavin et al. observed that repeated affinity purification of the same tagged protein resulted in complexes that contained different subunits<sup>9, 10</sup>. Deemed to be isoforms of complexes, they are likely to represent protein complexes that the cell uses under different intra- or extra-cellular conditions<sup>9, 14</sup>. To reflect this observation, Gavin et al. proposed a core-module-attachment architecture for protein complexes<sup>9</sup>. Core proteins were those present in two-thirds of the isoforms and proposed to be responsible for the basic function of the complex. The core can be supplemented by attachment proteins (found only in some isoforms), some of which may alter the function of the complex. Modules are groups of two or more attachment proteins that were found in more than one complex. Core and module proteins within the same complex typically share cellular function; have similar abundances and half-lives; and are more likely to be co-expressed and co-localised inside the cell<sup>9, 15</sup>. More importantly, the protein complex dataset generated by Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup> was the first whereby proteins could be members of multiple complexes. This is in contrast to other efforts, for example, the study by Krogan et al.<sup>12</sup> where proteins could only belong to one complex, due to the clustering procedure used to derive the dataset. The sharing of subunits between

protein complexes provides a potential mechanism by which complexes can be related to one another.

Studies into the graphical representation of the complexome are not as advanced as those for the interactome. Previously, we showed that protein-protein interaction networks could highlight known protein complexes through the use of alphanumeric labelling and the use of a special layout to coalesce protein subunits of a complex<sup>16</sup>. Other efforts to model and visualise the complexome as a network have represented protein complexes and the manner in which their subunits can be shared<sup>12, 17, 18</sup>. These showed all subunits within each complex, which resulted in visualisations that were dense and complicated, which was exacerbated by the extensive sharing of subunits. As a consequence, these approaches do not scale well. Hart et al.<sup>19</sup> showed that a complexome network can be built, whereby each node in the network is a complex. This provided some of the first high-level views of the complexome. However, there was no strategy to comprehensively understand the complexes and the significance of their connections.

Here we present an approach for the construction and analysis of the complexome network. Using the core-module-attachment model as a means to define nodes and edges for the graph, we show that a biologically relevant network can be built. The network shows properties of scale-free networks and, in this manner, is similar to protein-protein interaction networks. The biological relationships of many complexes in the eukaryotic cell are also highlighted in our network model, allowing guilt-by-association predictions for complexes of unknown function. Software, user guide and data files are available for download at <http://www.systemsbiology.org.au>.

## Materials and methods

### *Data sources and processing*

The dataset by Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup> was used in this study. It describes 491 heteromeric complexes (153 of which are of known identity) and their most likely subcellular localisation, as well as the standard gene names, complex membership and core-module-attachment classification information for 1,487 proteins. The standard names of some proteins were updated to reflect changes in the *Saccharomyces* Genome Database (SGD)<sup>20</sup>. Gene Ontology (GO) information was also obtained from the SGD. Protein names were from UniProtKB release 15.5<sup>21</sup>. The information described above was processed and stored in a PostgreSQL relational database.

### *GEOMI plugins for the visualisation of the complexome network*

Gavin et al. described each protein complex as being composed of core, module and attachment proteins<sup>9</sup>. These proteins can be members of one or more complexes. We utilised this feature to devise a visualisation strategy of the complexome as a network, whereby nodes are assigned as complexes and edges represent the proteins shared between 2 complexes. A plugin for the GEOMI platform<sup>22</sup> was developed to generate the network visualisations.

### *Assignment of biological process to complexes*

There is currently no known centralised source of functional information specific to the level of the protein complex. To functionally annotate our complexome network, the biological process of each protein complex was derived from their constituent proteins. The mapping of the broader GO Slim groupings on a protein-protein interaction network has previously been demonstrated to be an effective method to

display and identify trends between connected proteins<sup>16</sup>. The GO Slim biological process annotations were retrieved for each protein subunit in a complex and tallied. A majority vote method was used, whereby the biological process with the highest frequency was assigned to each complex. To achieve a comprehensible visualisation, each protein complex was assigned only one biological process, for example, translation. In situations where a complex had two or more processes of highest frequency, the GO process most commonly found in its immediate neighbours in the network was chosen. If the biological process could still not be determined from this, precedence was given to the more commonly occurring process in the complexome network. The results from each of the steps described above can be examined using the 'Show Details' option in GEOMI, where users can also view the biological processes of each protein subunit (Figure 1).

To visualise the GO process of protein complexes, we developed an additional GEOMI plugin. This mapped the 10 most frequently occurring GO biological process categories onto the network using colour. The remaining categories were combined into a single 'other' group. Limiting the number of categories to be visualised was required to facilitate interpretation of the network; a smaller set of colours is more distinguishable to the human eye, and thus allows relationships between the complexes to be more easily identified.

### *Network analysis of the complexome*

We built a new GEOMI plugin to measure topological features of a complexome network. It utilises the Java Universal Network/Graph (JUNG) library version 1.7.6<sup>23</sup> to calculate network measures that are commonly used to characterise the interactome<sup>24</sup>. These include the (i) diameter and mean path length, (ii) degree

distribution, and (iii) clustering coefficient. Using these measures, we could determine if the complexome network was random, scale-free or hierarchical.

We also measured the extent to which interacting complexes were of the same biological process. For the CM network, we counted the number of edges that connected complexes of identical process. This was done on a pairwise basis, ignoring neighbourhood effects (above). Subsequently, we generated  $6 \times 10^6$  random networks by shuffling the node colours, preserving the topology of the original network as well as node colour frequency. Edges of all randomised networks were counted, as above, allowing us to assess the significance of trends exhibited in our CM network.

#### *Other improvements to GEOMI*

A new feature in GEOMI allows networks to be generated from tab-delimited text files. Previously, networks were drawn using information in relational databases<sup>25</sup> or an XML-based format<sup>16</sup>. Search functionality is now also included in the updated version. This permits one or more proteins to be found in interaction networks by gene, locus or protein name, or other user-specified properties. In the complexome network, users can search for a particular complex by name or other identifiers. GEOMI can also highlight complexes that contain protein/s of interest using the parameters outlined above.

Edges in the networks can now also carry user-defined data, which can be accessed via the 'Show Details' menu. This allows information that is specific to the relationship shared by the two nodes to be easily shown. For example, in protein interaction networks, this can include evidence for a particular interaction and relevant literature references. In the complexome network, edges can show the

proteins that are shared between the two complexes and the type of protein they are (that is, core, module or attachment) (Figure 1). Moreover, labels on the edges allow additional information to be displayed on the network. Further details of these features can be found in the User Guide, which can be downloaded at <http://www.systemsbiology.org.au>.



## **Results:**

### *Strategy for a complexome network*

We devised a new strategy for the representation of the complexome as a network.

To build the complexome network, protein complexes are represented as nodes.

When two complexes have one or more protein subunit in common, they are connected by an edge (Figures 2A, 2B). An edge can thus represent one or many proteins. A common protein subunit between three complexes is represented by a triangle conformation, with three nodes interconnected by three edges. However, an identical representation is also used in cases where the three complexes share different protein subunits (Figures 2C, 2D).

It is important to note that our complexome network is fundamentally different from a protein-protein interaction network. A complexome network provides a higher-level view of the proteome as each node in the network is a multiprotein complex for which there is experimental evidence. Connections in a complexome network between nodes do not represent a single protein-protein interaction but the sharing of one or more proteins between complexes (Figure 3). By contrast, an interactome network, representing pairwise protein-protein interactions, does not provide strong evidence for the existence of simultaneous and cooperative interactions that are required for the formation of multiprotein complexes. The complexome network, as compared to an interactome, thus provides a complex-centric view of protein-protein interactions.

### *The complexome as a network of protein complexes*

There were 491 protein complexes defined by Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup>. Of these complexes, almost all shared one or more core, module and/or attachment protein. Only 15 complexes did not share any protein subunits (3%). Using this information, we first built a network where complexes (nodes) were connected to other complexes if they shared any proteins, be they core, module or attachments. The resulting network, however, was highly interconnected and did not display any discernable features. This is contrary to what one might expect. For this entire network, each complex was connected to an average of 39.9 other complexes via a total of 9,788 edges. The network diameter was 5 and the mean shortest path was 2.3. Together, these measures reinforce the extensive interconnectivity of the network and its homogenous nature. The network of the nuclear complexome, built using this method, illustrates this (Figure 4A).

To improve the visual clarity of the complexome network, and its biological coherence, it was necessary to remove some edges from the network. We sought to understand which network connections were of high confidence and relevance and should be retained, and to identify connections of low confidence that could be excluded. Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup> found that attachment proteins, in comparison to core and modules, had the lowest conservation of annotated function with the complexes they were associated with. They also investigated the degree to which proteins in complexes were present in known 3-D structures, and if their interactions were also seen in two-hybrid analyses. They concluded that the evidence for core and module proteins being in physical contact was stronger than for attachment proteins.

Similarly, Pang et al. showed that interactions within and between core and module

proteins had the highest proportion of domain-domain interactions, and thus have a strong structural basis <sup>15</sup>. Interactions involving attachment proteins showed the lowest proportion of domain-domain interactions. Together, these observations suggest that the interactions of attachment proteins are likely to be of lower confidence than those of core or module proteins, and hence not strong candidates for use as edges in complexome networks.

We built an alternative complexome network, whereby interactions between complexes were shown when complexes shared core and/or module proteins. We term this the Core-Module (CM) network (Figure 4B). Edge colours represent shared core proteins (green), shared module proteins (blue) or both (red). In contrast to the core-module-attachment network, the CM network showed a very clear structure. Each complex was connected to an average of 4.9 other complexes via a total of 992 edges. The biggest connected component included a number of areas of high and low connectivity. A number of smaller connected components were also present. A moderate proportion of complexes (19%) did not share any core or module proteins with other complexes, which is to be expected. For the sake of completeness, we generated two other types of complexome networks where nodes were connected by only shared core proteins or only shared module proteins respectively. However, these networks contained an extremely large proportion of singletons (41% and 55%, respectively) and were very sparse (data not shown). Since strong structural and functional relationships have been observed in and between core and module proteins (above), and the CM network appeared to be informative and comprehensible, we chose the CM network as the strongest model with which to represent the complexome.

### *The Core-Module network shows scale-free properties*

We investigated the topology of the CM network. Its biggest connected component had a diameter of 15, and mean shortest path length of 5.9. Strikingly, it showed properties of scale-free networks<sup>24, 26</sup>. The node degree distribution followed a power law distribution, which is a key property of scale-free networks (Figure 5A). There was also a strong negative correlation between node degree  $k$  and  $P(k)$  ( $R^2=0.86$ ). The CM network had a degree exponent  $\gamma = 1.87$  (its biggest connected component having  $\gamma = 1.69$ ); this is consistent with scale-free networks, which typically have degree exponents of 2 to 3 but can also exist with exponents less than 2<sup>24, 27</sup>. Networks with exponents less than 2 are known to have small world properties; this was supported by the clustering coefficient of the CM network which, although showing a weak negative association between node degree  $k$  and clustering coefficient  $C(k)$  ( $R^2=0.24$ ), was predominantly independent of node degree (Figure 5B). Finally, it was seen that some complexes were highly connected in the network, similar to hub and bottleneck proteins in protein-protein interaction networks; these are also characteristic of scale-free networks.

### *Functional relationships of connected complexes*

A complexome network is expected to show connections between complexes that are of related function. An examination of complexes in the CM network, solely by name, revealed direct connections between complexes known to be related, such as RNA polymerases I, II and III (Figure 6A). The MIND and CTF19 complexes were

also connected (Figure 6B); these are both components of the kinetochore <sup>28</sup>.

There were, however, also cases where known families of complexes were not connected in the CM network. For example, the adaptin complexes, AP-1, AP-2 and AP-3, are known to be structurally and functionally homologous <sup>29</sup>. However, the 3 complexes were not connected in the CM network, as they did not share any core or module proteins (data not shown). On close examination, this accurately reflected their function, as they associate with different subcellular organelles. It also accurately represented the composition and nature of their subunits, being paralogous but no longer interchangeable. They represent 'parallel complexes', as defined by Periera-Leal and Teichmann <sup>30</sup>, demonstrating that the CM network can represent these intricate relationships with accuracy.

To further investigate functional relationships between connected complexes in the CM network, we mapped Gene Ontology biological process (of constituent core and module proteins) onto nodes in the network, using the method described (Figure 7). Forty-one unique categories were represented in the network; the 10 most frequent were each assigned a colour, with the remaining classifications combined into a single 'other' group. The most common biological processes in the network were RNA metabolic process (117 complexes), transport (97), translation (89), and ribosome biogenesis (73). This revealed that many connected complexes were involved in the same physiological process. For example, the two large, highly interconnected green clusters in the network primarily consisted of ribosomal protein complexes (Figure 7). Notably, all of the green protein complexes in the network were concentrated in these two clusters. A smaller, isolated cluster contained complexes involved in the regulation of transcription. To investigate if the functional relationships observed within the network were not due to chance, we counted the

number of interactions that occurred between complexes of identical biological process. This was 364 in our CM network. We then compared this to more than  $6 \times 10^6$  randomised networks (see materials and methods). These networks had an average of 237 interactions between complexes of identical GO process, with a standard deviation of 17. Statistically, the CM network showed a significantly higher number of connections between nodes of identical biological process than a random network ( $p = 1.6 \times 10^{-7}$ ) (Supplementary Figure 1). This allows us to conclude that the functional relationships in the CM network are non-random and that many complexes with common protein subunits are involved in the same biological process.

The CM network, as investigated above, clearly showed regions of functional homogeneity. However, the CM network also contained heterogeneous regions where complexes of different GO biological process classification were directly connected (Figure 7). The reasons for this are obscure but could reveal insights into the sequence of events that occur during related but not identical biological processes, reflect the reuse of protein subunits at different places and /or times within the cell, or the crosstalk between cellular processes as a means of regulating function.

#### *Connected complexes reflect higher organisation of the cell*

To further validate the CM network, we examined the detailed functional relationships that existed in regions of high interconnectivity. Interestingly, many complexes involved in related (but not identical) processes localised to common areas of the network and showed complex-complex interactions. Many of these links are supported by the literature (Table 1). In effect, these regions reflected a higher

organisation of the cell associated with the sharing of complex subunits.

One example is a highly interconnected cluster of complexes involved in RNA metabolic process within the CM network (Figure 8A). All of the known complexes within this cluster are involved in pre-mRNA splicing, but different aspects of this process. We observed high interconnectivity between the Lsm2-8, U1 snRNP, U2 snRNP and U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP complexes, as well as the Prp19-associated complex (also known as NTC). Together, these complexes make up the complete spliceosome in the nucleus <sup>31</sup>. Our CM network also connected the spliceosome with the cytoplasmic mRNA processing bodies (also known as P-bodies), and in turn connected this to the mRNA decapping complex. Interestingly, these connections confirm a recently proposed model in which the P-bodies form by a combination of the decapping and LSM complexes <sup>32</sup>. The connectivity of U1 snRNP complex was also notable, as it shared different protein subunits with complexes within and outside of the cluster, serving as an interface. It is depictive of bottleneck hub nodes that are often found in interaction networks <sup>33</sup>.

A second cluster of interconnected complexes of related function was also seen (Figure 8B). This included the TFIID, SAGA and mediator complexes as well as complexes associated with the modification of histones; all are basal initiation machinery of transcription. The TFIID and SAGA complexes have similar structure and function <sup>34</sup> and are both capable of delivering the TATA-binding protein Spt15p to the promoter. They share 14 protein subunits in the CM network. In addition, the SAGA complex is known to contain histone acetyltransferase (HAT) Tra1p subunit <sup>35</sup>, which it shares with neighbouring NuA4 HAT complex. The mediator is also a known component of the preinitiation complex, which includes TFIID and SAGA <sup>36</sup>; these relationships are clear in the CM network. The connection between the NuA4 HAT

and Sin3 histone deacetylase (HDAC) complexes in the CM network is interesting as they have opposing functions. However, commonalities have been found in the binding properties and regulation of the two complexes<sup>37, 38, 39</sup>, which could explain this observation. Interestingly, SAGA and NuA4 are HAT complexes that are known to be recruited to the promoters of active protein-coding genes, whereas HDACs such as Sin3 are targeted to specific sets of genes associated with distinct cellular functions. The functional relationships of these complexes are clear from their interconnectivity in the same cluster of the CM network.

A small group of related complexes in the CM network further supported the notion of subunit-associated high-level organisation of the cell (Figure 8C). It consists of six complexes, three of which are known to be involved in the cell cycle and cytoskeleton organisation. The actin capping protein complex and motorproteins 2 complex share Aim21p, as well as the F-actin-capping proteins Cap1p and Cap2p. The actin-associated motorproteins 1 and 2 complexes are connected through common myosin heavy chain proteins. Collectively, this would suggest that these protein complexes are involved in cytokinesis. This is further supported by the presence of the Myo5p and Cmd1p module proteins, as Cmd1p has been found to activate Myo5p-induced actin polymerisation<sup>40</sup>. Interestingly, the She2p/She3p/Myo4p complex, which transports mRNA transcripts to the bud tip of growing yeast<sup>41</sup>, can also be found as a component inside complex 487.

#### *Predicting function of uncharacterised proteins and complexes using guilt-by-association*

There were many cases in the CM network where, as in the examples above, uncharacterised complexes were connected to one or more other complexes of



known function (Supplementary Table 1). In protein-protein interaction networks, 'guilt-by-association' has been effectively used to predict the function of uncharacterised proteins (for example, see <sup>16</sup>). The manner in which the CM network brings together complexes of related biological process, as outlined above, suggests that guilt-by-association could also be applied to predict the function of complexes in highly interconnected regions of the complexome networks.

We observed the presence of uncharacterised complexes in areas of the CM network that contained the spliceosome, basal transcriptional machinery and actin-associated protein complexes. Analysis of the constituent proteins of these complexes strongly supported the notion that they are indeed functionally related to known complexes in the same cluster. For example, in the cluster of complexes containing the spliceosome (Figure 8A), it is likely that complexes 54, 175, 418 and 436 are also involved in the splicing of pre-mRNA. The function of their constituent proteins supports this (data not shown). Similarly, uncharacterised complexes 191, 351 and 487, which are connected to actin-associated protein complexes (Figure 8C, Table 2), all contain myosin heavy and light chain proteins. This suggests that they are also involved in cytokinesis.

We applied the guilt-by-association principle to regions of high interconnectivity in the CM network. We first identified clusters of highly interconnected protein complexes (of both known and unknown function) in the CM network that were of identical biological process. Literature investigation was used to check that the known complexes within each cluster were of similar function, or involved in the same process or pathway. This resulted in the definition of 14 clusters containing a total of 49 complexes of known function (Table 1). Finally, we used guilt-by-

association, along with relevant literature, to assign potential functions to unknown complexes in clusters. A total of 45 uncharacterised protein complexes, outlined in Table 1, were assigned putative functions by this approach.

## Discussion:

In this study, we have generated a new view of the yeast complexome. Represented as a network of protein complexes connected by shared protein subunits, our model differs from the established view of the interactome as a network of individual proteins joined by their interactions. Since the majority of functions in the cell are delivered by protein complexes, rather than individual proteins, we believe our network brings a unique biological context to each complex and a valuable higher-level view of the proteome.

The complexome exhibited a highly connected network topology, alluding to a level of component reuse by protein complexes. Whilst much of this connectivity was mediated by attachment proteins<sup>9</sup>, we found that a network built through the use of shared core or module proteins resulted in a structure which was topologically consistent with other biological networks. The CM network contained regions of high and low connectivity, similar to interactome networks. Network measures also indicated that the CM network followed a power-law node degree distribution, with clustering coefficient independent of node degree. These features are consistent with, and thus reinforce, the notion that biological networks are typically scale-free<sup>24</sup>. This is further supported by the presence of 'hub complexes' that have a large number of connections, a feature similar to the hub proteins commonly found in protein-protein interaction networks<sup>42</sup>.

The CM network revealed insights into the nature of inter-complex interactions. Many connections that were observed between known complexes are described in the literature, confirming the relevance of our methodology and our resulting network.

For example, a highly interconnected region in the network was found to contain all of the protein complexes of the spliceosome (Figure 8A). Specifically, the Lsm2-8 complex is known to bind to the U6 snRNP, and in fact forms its core <sup>43</sup>. In addition, the NTC is known to stabilise the interaction of U6 with U2 <sup>44</sup> and is also involved in the dissociation of the Lsm2-8 complex from U6 <sup>45</sup>. Notably, however, there is no known link between the nuclear Lsm2-8 complex and cytoplasmic P-bodies. We observed that the Lsm8 protein is not actually a member of the Lsm2-8 complex described by Gavin et al. <sup>9</sup>. Indeed, it is not present in the dataset at all. This could in part be due to the low abundance of the protein, measured at 1440 molecules/cell in log phase SD medium <sup>46</sup>. Conversely, Lsm1 (at 3490 molecules/cell) is described as a member of the Lsm2-8 complex (among others), even though the cytoplasmic Lsm1-7 complex is not present in the dataset. Moreover, it has been found that the Lsm2-Lsm7 subunits can be exchanged between the two complexes under certain conditions <sup>47</sup>. Hence, it is possible that both Lsm1-7 and Lsm2-8 complexes were experimentally purified, however, as the two complexes differ only by a single protein, they were combined into a single entity due to the nature of the clustering algorithm that was used to process the raw data. Similar clustering effects are also present in other protein complex datasets <sup>12, 19, 39</sup> where, for example, RNA polymerases I, II and III were combined into a single entity due to presence of several common subunits between the 3 complexes. Therefore, the Lsm2-8 complex described in the dataset is likely to also represent the Lsm1-7 complex, which is a known component of cytoplasmic P-bodies <sup>48</sup>, thus accounting for the connection observed between the Lsm2-8 complex with the P-bodies.

The complexome network revealed strong functional relationships between

interacting complexes. Mapping biological process to the network revealed homogenous regions of interconnected complexes that were involved in the same processes inside the cell. This suggests a hierarchical organisation of the yeast complexome, a feature that has been observed elsewhere <sup>19</sup>, and also at the level of the interactome <sup>39, 49</sup>. Regions of functional homogeneity allowed us to suggest putative functions of uncharacterised complexes through guilt-by-association. Using this technique, we proposed the biological process and function of 51 unknown complexes (Table 1). These can be further validated by incorporating subcellular localisation data onto the network, in a similar fashion to the technique used by Wang et al. <sup>39</sup>. Wet-lab experimental analyses will be able to then prove or disprove the suggested functions.

The quality of our complexome network is dependent on the accuracy of the underlying data. Current protein complex datasets are by no means complete. Limitations of current high-throughput techniques, such as the inability to detect transient or weak protein interactions, will lead to inaccuracies and missing data in resulting visualisations. For example, the dataset used in this study, which covers about a third of the yeast proteome, contained a high proportion of complexes (338 out of 491) that have not been described in the literature <sup>9</sup>. Many of these complexes are small, with 220 containing 10 or less proteins. This suggests that they may be functional subunits of larger known complexes or, more simply, experimental artefacts. Unfortunately, these cannot be immediately resolved through use of multiple datasets; differences in clustering procedures used to establish membership of complexes have resulted in very little overlap between the 4 available protein complex datasets <sup>9, 10, 11, 12</sup>. Nevertheless, integrating these datasets with data from

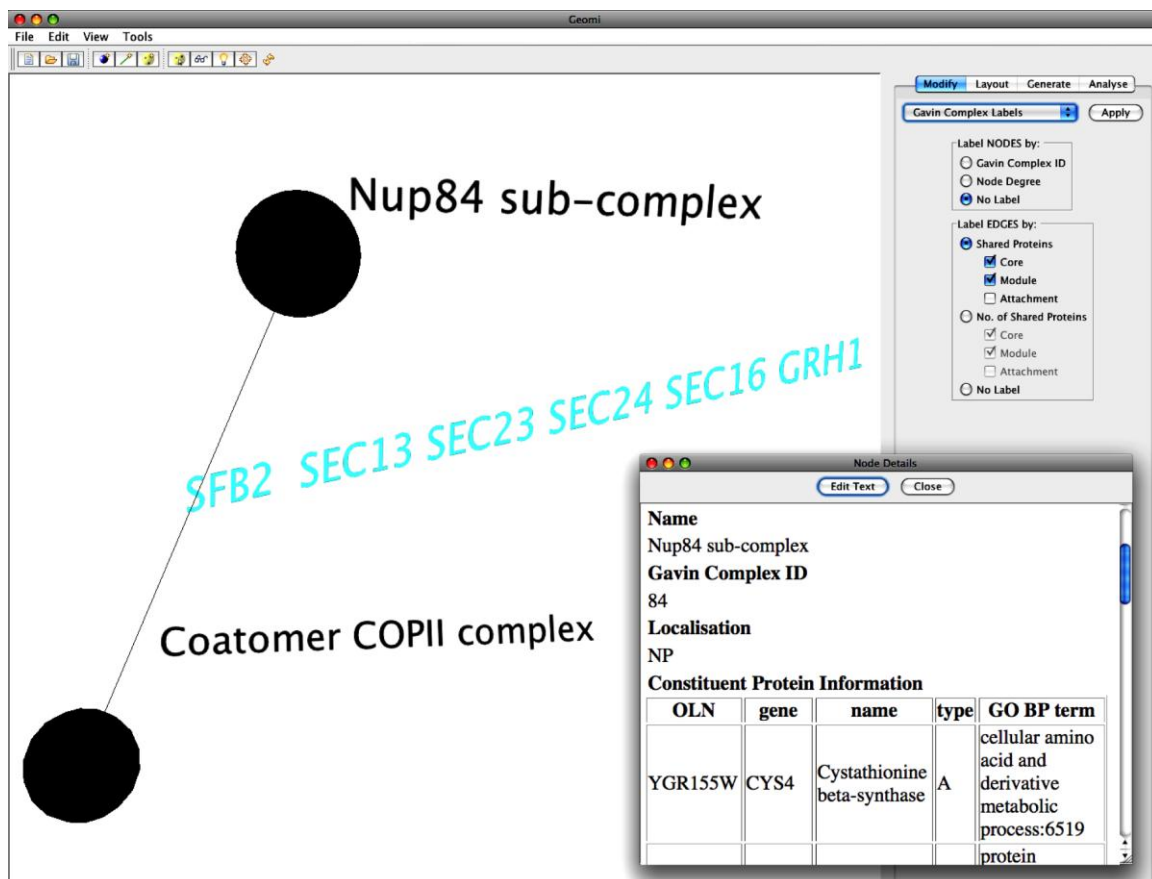
small-scale experiments can increase coverage of the yeast complexome in the networks. There have been a number of different approaches taken to achieve this<sup>19, 39, 49, 50</sup>, however, a recurring challenge has been how to build connections between protein complexes. A feature that distinguished the data from Gavin et al.<sup>9</sup> was the presence of proteins that belonged to multiple complexes. This formed the basis of complex-complex connections in our CM network, as well as that in another study<sup>19</sup>. For datasets where protein membership is mutually exclusive, it would be possible to establish links between protein complexes using binary interaction data (from, for example, protein complementation assays). Two complexes could then be connected if they contain a pair of proteins that have been found to interact, hence enabling a complementary complexome network to be built. However, the overlap between available protein-protein interaction and protein complex datasets remains poor and insufficient to build a cohesive complex-centric network<sup>3, 51</sup>. This is due to physicochemical biases of the different experimental techniques. Another means to connect complexes would be to include connections mediated by attachment proteins. Correlations with complementary data from, for example, yeast two-hybrid or co-expression studies, could be used to determine the likelihood of an interaction between an attachment protein and a complex.

The network generated in this study represents a biologically accurate and coherent model of the yeast complexome. Visualisation of the complexome as a network has reinforced our current understanding of protein complexes, and the manner in which sharing of their subunits is central to many related processes in the cell. This is highlighted by the functional associations observed between connected complexes in the CM network. Our work has enabled the assignment of putative function to

unknown complexes, and revealed potentially novel links between different cellular processes and pathways. This generates new hypotheses that are not apparent in protein-protein interaction networks. Studies have found that essential proteins are often concentrated in protein complexes, which are the actual dictators of the phenotype of the cell upon deletion<sup>14, 19, 39, 52</sup>. Hence, a move to visualise and analyse a higher organisation of the cell is crucial in gaining a more complete understanding of the integration and coordination of cellular processes and functions.

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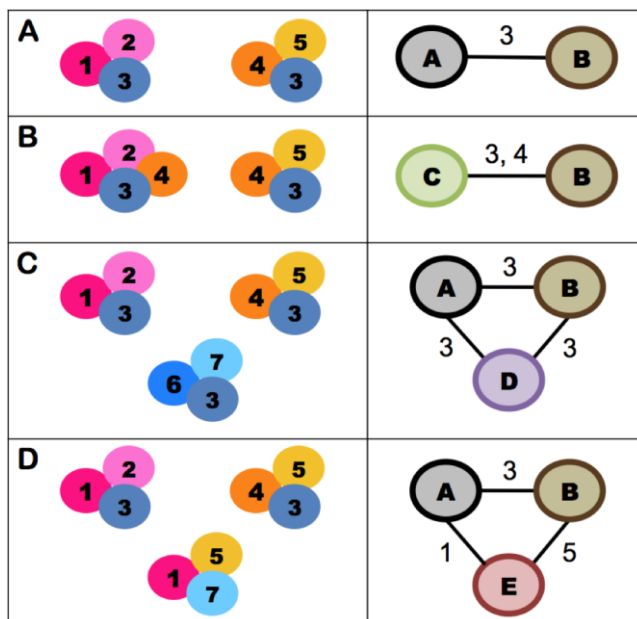


**Figure 1: GEOMI software for visualising the complexome.**

Information for each complex can be retrieved and displayed. In this case, the Nup84 sub-complex has been selected and its protein subunits, their type (core, attachment, or module) and Gene Ontology biological process can be seen via the 'Show Details' option (inset).

An edge label allows common protein subunits to be co-visualised on the network. In this case, the Nup84 subcomplex and coatomer COPII complexes share proteins SFB2, SEC13, SEC23, SEC24, SEC16 and GRH1. The control panel on the top right has many options for labelling the nodes and edges.

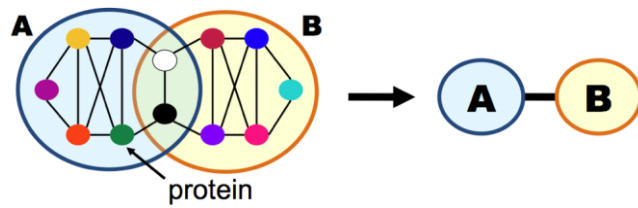




**Figure 2: Representations of a complexome network.**

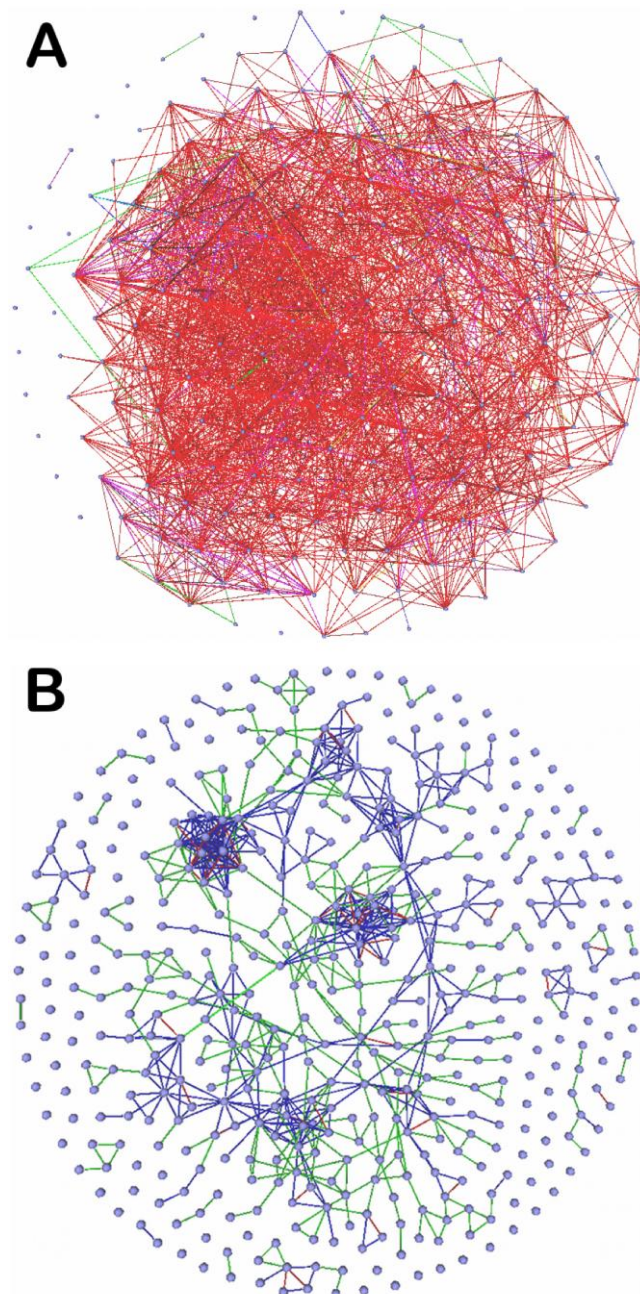
As represented in (A) and (B), complexes with one or multiple common protein subunits are connected by a single edge, which can be labelled with the names of the shared proteins.

(C) and (D) highlight different ways to interpret identical topology in the CM network. In (C), complexes A, B and D all contain the protein 3 and are thus connected to each other. However, in (D), we have the same topology that has been conferred by different common subunits between complexes A, B and E. Hence, complexes that are completely interconnected (that is, form a clique) do not necessarily share identical protein subunits.



**Figure 3: From interactome to complexome.**

In this example, protein complexes A and B share two proteins, which are coloured black and white. In the interactome, this is visualised as a highly interconnected cluster, and may be misinterpreted to be a single complex. In the complexome, however, A and B are collapsed into single nodes, each representing a unique protein complex. Their common protein subunits become the edge connecting A and B.



**Figure 4: The complexome network.**

(A) The core-module-attachment network of the yeast nuclear complexome. Edge colours represent the different combinations of core, module and attachment proteins shared between two complexes.

Key: Red (attachment proteins only), blue (module proteins only), green (core proteins only), cyan (core and module proteins), pink (module and attachments), yellow (core and attachments), black (core, module and attachments).

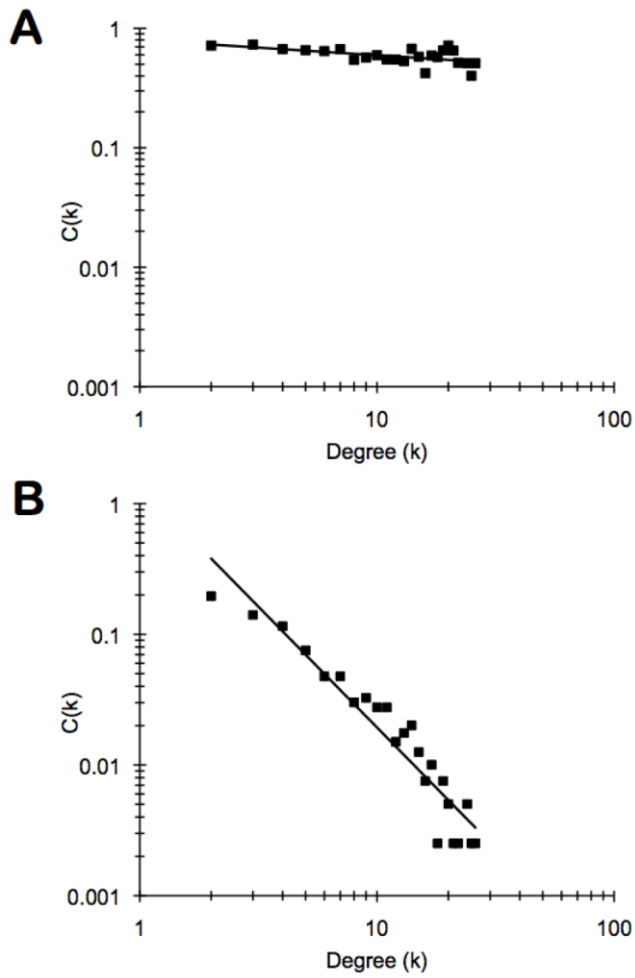
The network is clearly dominated by red edges. This indicates that attachment proteins are widely shared between complexes, and suggests that much of the complexity in the interactome is mediated by attachment proteins.

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(B) The CM (core-module) network of the entire complexome. It shows regions of both high and low interconnectivity between protein complexes. Complexes with no partners, and hence do not share protein subunits with others, are not shown.

Key: Green (shared core proteins), blue (shared module proteins), red (core and modules).

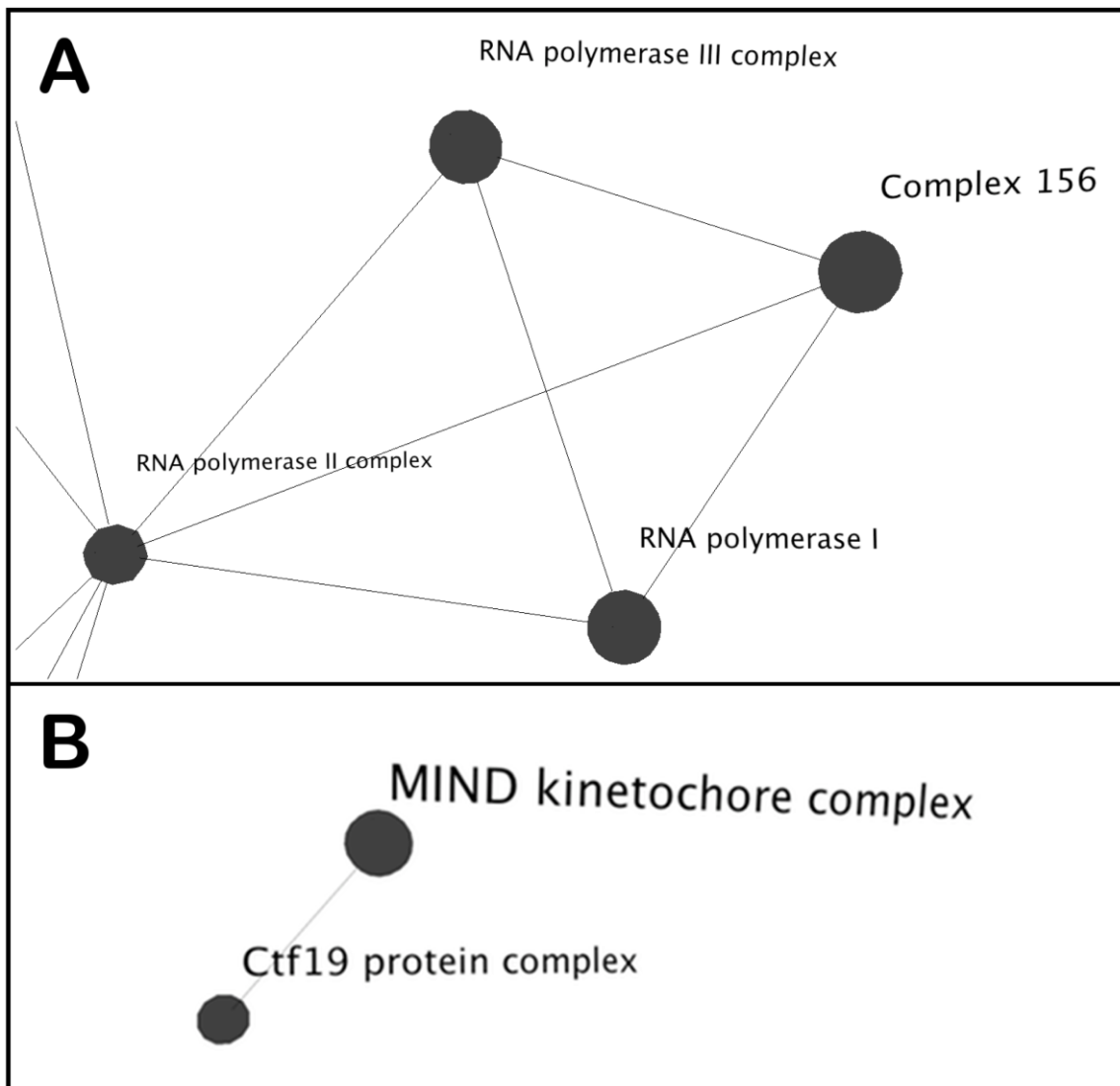
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**Figure 5: Network measures of the CM network.**

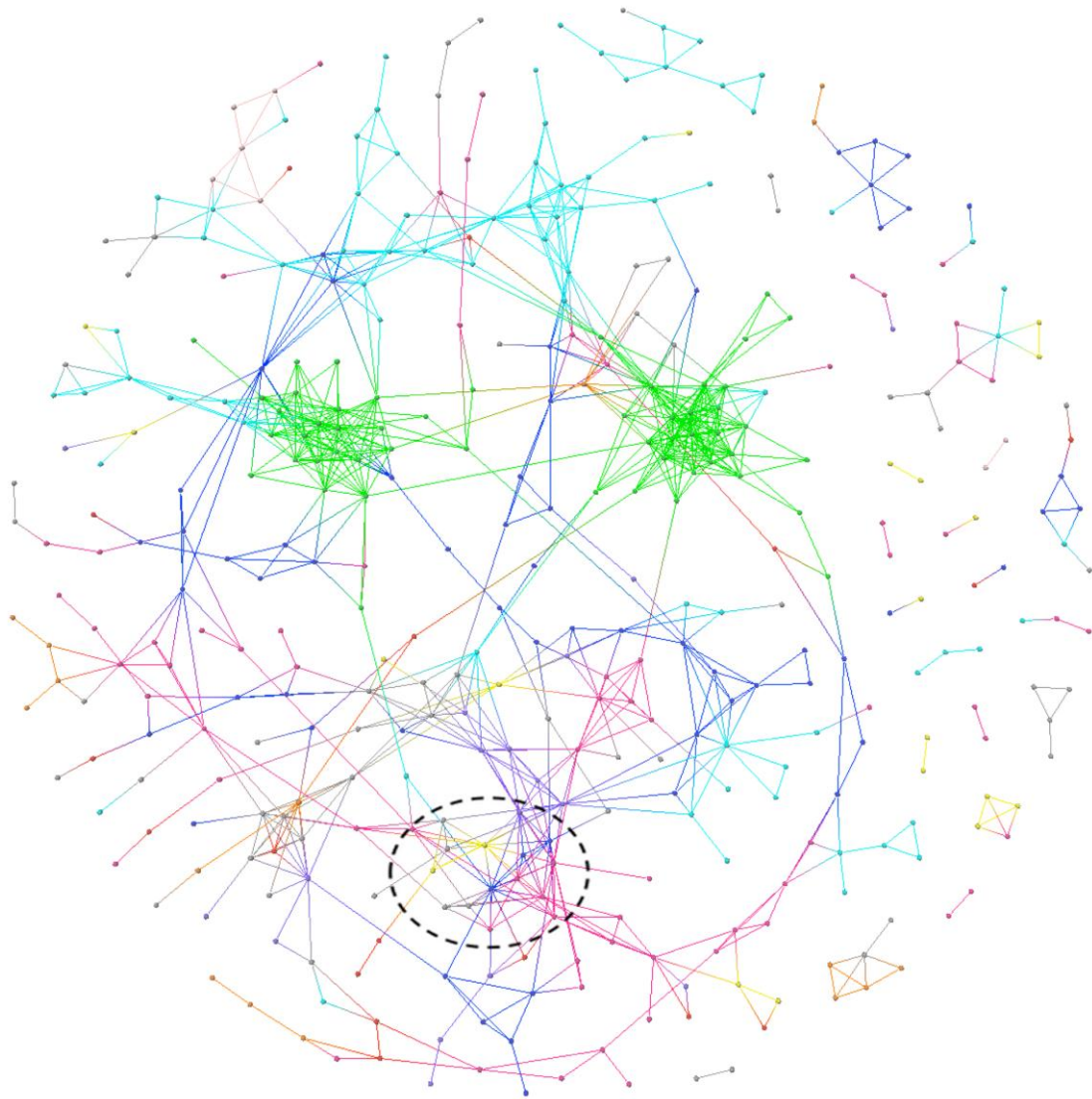
The node degree distribution (A) and clustering coefficient (B) of the CM network.

The linear relationships of these two network measures suggest that the CM network is scale-free.



**Figure 6: Details of the CM network.**

The RNA polymerase complexes I to III show interconnection (A), as do the MIND kinetochore and CTF19 complexes (B).



**Figure 7: The CM network, coloured by biological process.**

The 10 most frequently occurring biological processes in the network are given a unique colour, and remaining groups are combined into an 'other' category.

The circle highlights regions of heterogeneity of biological process between protein complexes.

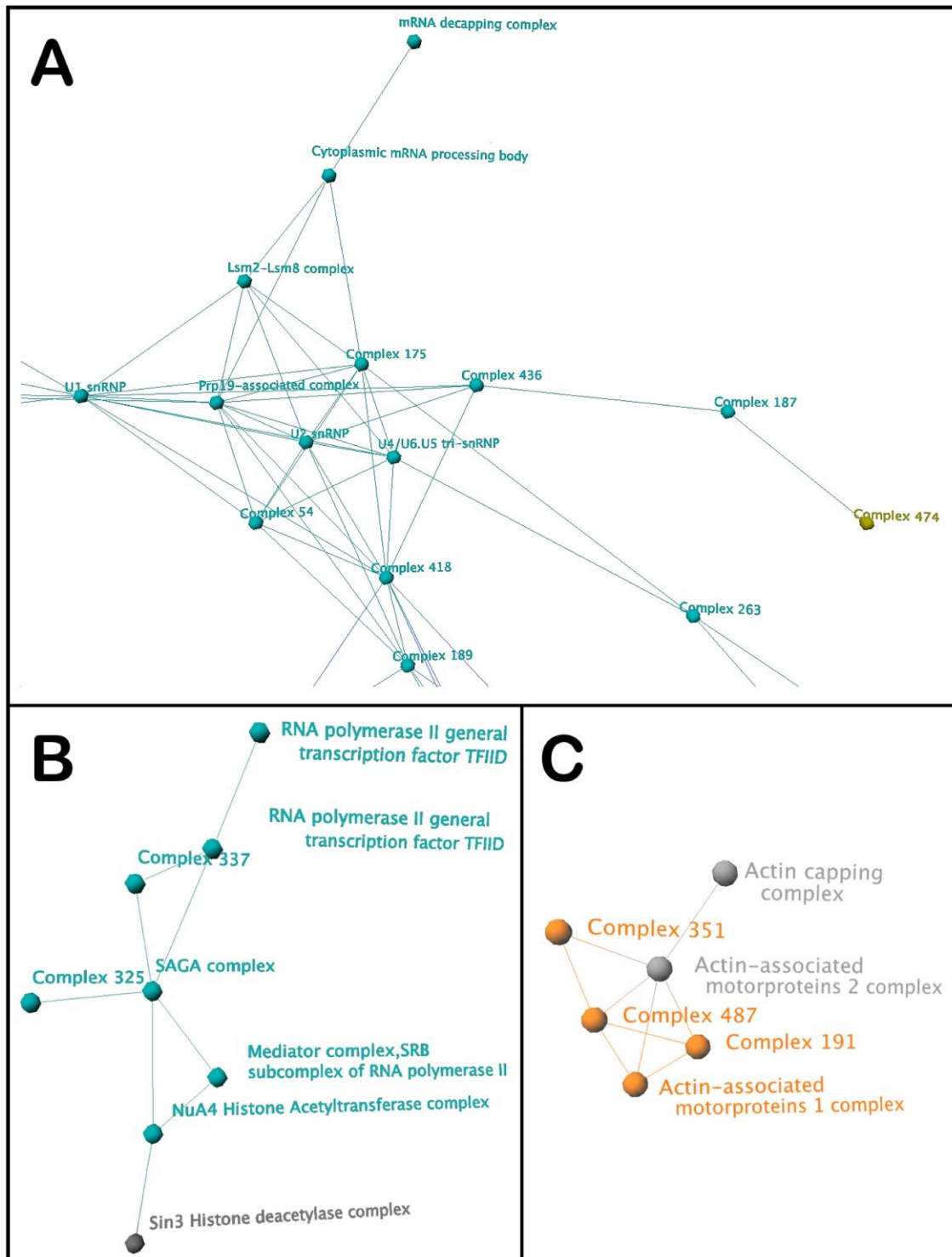
Key: RNA metabolic process (cyan), transport (magenta), translation (blue), ribosome biogenesis (green), response to stress (yellow), cell cycle (orange), cellular

amino acid and derivative metabolic process (purple), vesicle-mediated transport (brown), transcription (light blue), DNA metabolic process (pink), and others (grey).

Complexes with no connections, and hence do not share protein subunits with others, are not shown for clarity.

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**Figure 8: Connected complexes in the CM network reflect higher order of the cell.**

(A) A highly interconnected cluster of complexes, almost all of which are involved in

the RNA metabolic process, as indicated by the cyan colour. (All complexes in this cluster, except Complex 474, are cyan).

(B) The SAGA, mediator and histone acetylases and deacetylases, which are involved in different stages of transcription, show interconnection.

(C) An isolated cluster of complexes primarily involved in cytokinesis.

Key: RNA metabolic process (cyan), response to stress (yellow), cell cycle (orange), others (grey).

**Table 1: ‘Higher order’ functional groupings in the CM network.**

| <b>Interacting complexes of related function</b>   | <b>Supporting literature</b> | <b>Associated complexes of unknown function</b>  | <b>Putative function of uncharacterised complexes</b>                       |
|--|------------------------------|--|---|
| Actin capping complex<br>Actin-associated motorproteins 2 complex<br>Actin-associated motorproteins 1 complex  | 53                           | Complex 191<br>Complex 351<br>Complex 487  | Actin-associated  |
| V0 vacuolar ATPase complex<br>V1 vacuolar ATPase complex<br>RAVE/Skp1 complex  | 54                           | Complex 104<br>Complex 359<br>Complex 484  | ATPase-associated   |
| Mediator complex, SRB subcomplex of RNA polymerase II<br>RNA polymerase II general transcription factor TFIID<br>RNA polymerase II general transcription factor TFIID<br>SAGA complex  | 36                           | Complex 204<br>Complex 325<br>Complex 337<br>Complex 395   | Basal transcription machinery   |
| Sit4/Sap190 complex<br>Sit4/Sap185 protein phosphatase complex   | 55                           | Complex 151<br>Complex 483   | TOR signalling cascade  |
| Pab1/Pan2/Pan3 complex<br>Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>PAN complex  | 56                           | Complex 119<br>Complex 299<br>Complex 377<br>Complex 425   | mRNA processing   |
| Ku complex<br>SWI-SNF global transcription complex<br>RSC, abundant chromatin remodeling complex<br>ISW1/IOC3 complex<br>Ccr4/Not protein complex<br>DNA polymerase alpha-primase complex<br>DNA polymerase epsilon complex<br>Ctf18/Rfc2/Rfc3/Rfc4/Rfc5 complex | 57, 58, 59                   | Complex 12<br>Complex 99<br>Complex 162<br>Complex 240<br>Complex 278  | DNA replication   |
| U1 snRNP<br>U2 snRNP<br>U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP<br>Prp19-associated complex<br>Lsm2-Lsm8 complex<br>Cytoplasmic mRNA processing body<br>mRNA decapping complex  | 31, 32                       | Complex 54<br>Complex 175<br>Complex 187<br>Complex 189<br>Complex 207<br>Complex 263<br>Complex 418<br>Complex 436<br>Complex 474 | Spliceosomal processes  |
| 2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex<br>Pyruvate dehydrogenase   | 60                           | Complex 58<br>Complex 216<br>Complex 234   | 2-oxoglutarate metabolic processes<br>or<br>Acetyl-CoA biosynthetic process |

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| 19/22S regulator<br>20S core particle of the proteasome  | 61     | Complex 216                               | Protein degradation                            |
| Pre-mRNA cleavage and<br>polyadenylation factor 1A<br>Polyadenylation factor I<br>Protein phosphatase 1 complex    | 62     | Complex 252<br>Complex 355                | RNA processing<br>and polyadenylation          |
| Gyp5/Gyl1 complex<br>Rvs161/Rvs167 complex   | 63     | Complex 5<br>Complex 286<br>Complex 302   | Cytoskeleton and<br>vesicle transport          |
| RNA polymerase I<br>RNA polymerase II complex<br>RNA polymerase III complex  | 64     | Complex 156                               | RNA synthesis                                  |
| Golgi transport complex<br>Kel1/Lte1 complex<br>Protein phosphatase 2A complex                                     | 65, 66 | Complex 87<br>Complex 348                 | Golgi-associated<br>transport<br>or<br>Mitosis |
| SKI complex<br>Exosome 3'-5' exoribonuclease<br>complex<br>Rai1/Rat1 complex<br>Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)* | 67     | Complex 260<br>Complex 385<br>Complex 396 | RNA processing<br>and degradation              |

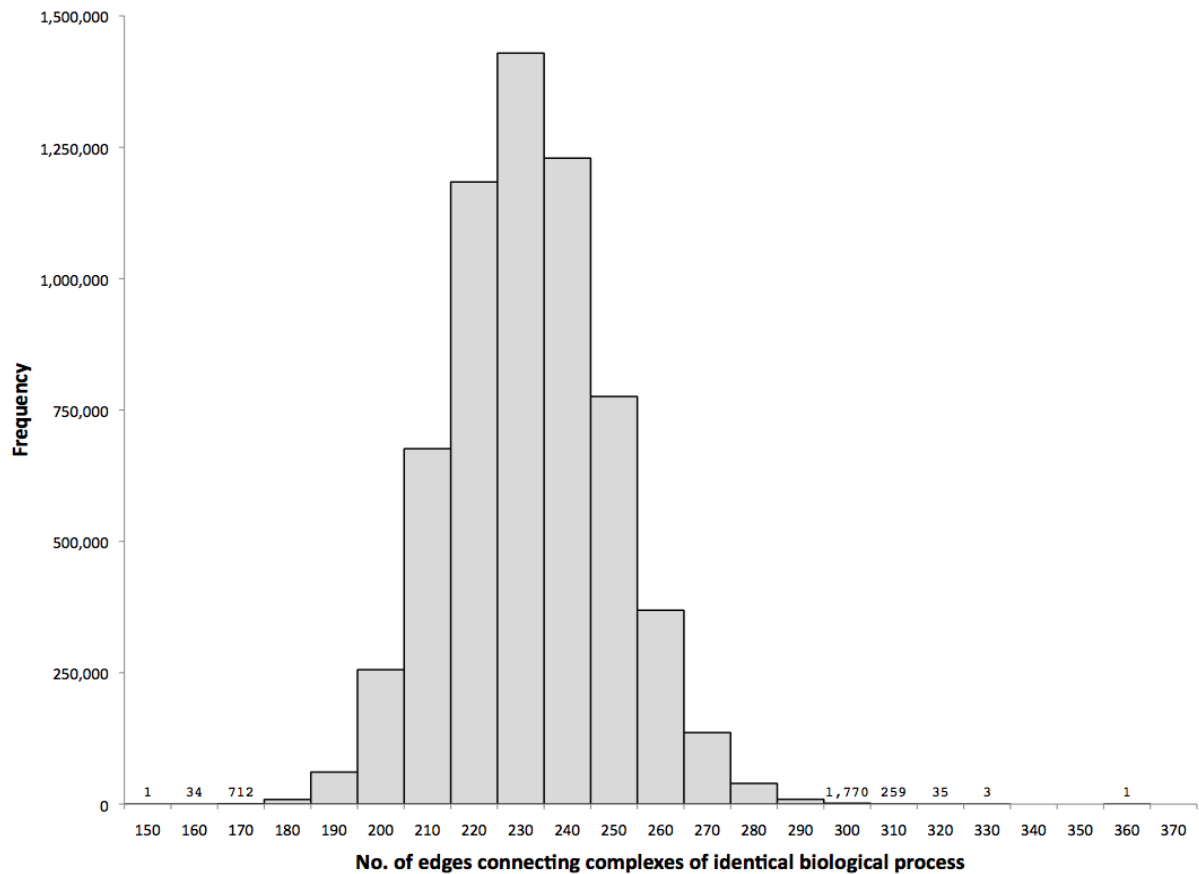
\* The ribosome-associated complex was directly connected to the SKI, exoribonuclease and Rai1/Rat1 complexes in the CM network. Literature linking it to these complexes, however, could not be found.

**Table 2. Protein complexes and their core and module subunits inside a cluster.**

| <b>Complex</b>                           | <b>Core and modules protein subunits <sup>9</sup></b>   |
|--|---|
| Actin capping complex                    | Cap1p, Cap2p, YER071C, YIR003W/Aim21p   |
| Actin-associated motorproteins 1 complex | Myo2p, She4p<br>Cmd1p, Mlc1, Myo1p, Myo5p   |
| Actin-associated motorproteins 2 complex | Mlc1p, Myo4p, She2p, She3p<br>Cap1p, Cap2p, Cdc47p, Cmd1p, Erg26p,<br>Myo1p, Myo2p, Myo5p, She4p, YIR003W |
| Complex 191                              | Myo5p<br>Cmd1p  |
| Complex 351                              | Cdc47p, Erg26p  |
| Complex 487                              | Cdc47p, Myo5p<br>Cmd1p, Mlc1p, Myo1p, Myo4p, She2p,<br>She3p  |

**Supporting Information Available:**

- Figure S1: Measuring the prevalence of interconnectivity between complexes of identical biological process in the CM network.
- Table S2: List of uncharacterised protein complexes in the CM network, and known protein complexes they are connected to in the CM network. It also includes putative biological processes these complexes are involved in, based on their constituent core and module proteins.
- GEOMI network visualisation platform, data files and user manual can be downloaded from <http://www.systemsbiology.org.au>.



**Supplementary Figure S1: Measuring the prevalence of interconnectivity between complexes of identical biological process in the CM network.**

The CM network was scored, and compared with those of 6,176,768 randomised networks. Its result of 364 edges (that connect two complexes of the same biological process) was the highest of all the networks, and it is a clear outlier as observed in this frequency distribution.

**Supplementary Table S2: Interactions of complexes of unknown function with those of known function.**

A list of likely biological processes the complexes are involved in, based on their constituent core and module proteins, is included.

| <b>Complex of unknown function</b> | <b>Likely biological process</b>  | <b>Connected complexes of known function</b>   |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Complex 5                          | ribosome biogenesis   | Gyp5/Gyl1 complex  |
| Complex 6                          | cellular lipid metabolic process, fungal-type cell wall organisation, transcription, cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, chromosome organisation, RNA metabolic process, protein modification process | Histone acetyltransferase B complex  |
| Complex 10                         | chromosome organisation, RNA metabolic process, protein modification process, transport, ribosome biogenesis, translation   | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>INO80 protein complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex  |
| Complex 11                         | RNA metabolic process, ribosome biogenesis  | 2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex   |
| Complex 12                         | transcription, chromosome organisation, RNA metabolic process   | ISW1/IOC3 complex<br>RSC, abundant chromatin remodeling complex  |
| Complex 16                         | response to chemical stimulus, response to stress   | RNA polymerase II complex  |
| Complex 18                         | ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome   |
| Complex 21                         | translation   | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)<br>Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex  |
| Complex 23                         | ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome<br>2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex   |
| Complex 27                         | ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome   |
| Complex 28                         | translation   | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex<br>Mitochondrial ribosomal large subunit<br>Mitochondrial ribosomal large subunit<br>COPI complex |
| Complex 36                         | transport   | COPI complex   |
| Complex 37                         | ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome   |
| Complex 51                         | transport   | Kap104/Hrp1 complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex   |
| Complex 54                         | RNA metabolic process   | U1 snRNP<br>U2 snRNP<br>U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP   |



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|             |  | Prp19-associated complex  |
| Complex 58  | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Karyopherins complex<br>2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex  |
| Complex 62  | RNA metabolic process  | RNA polymerase II complex   |
| Complex 64  | RNA metabolic process  | U1 snRNP<br>Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>Prp19-associated complex<br>Sgv1/cyclin Bur2 protein complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes |
| Complex 66  | translation  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex<br>Phosphoribosyl diphosphate synthase complex                                       |
| Complex 72  | cytoskeleton organisation,<br>response to stress, transport,<br>vesicle-mediated transport,<br>cellular membrane<br>organisation   | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex  |
| Complex 76  | cofactor metabolic process,<br>cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process   | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)<br>Anthranilate synthase complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex                                     |
| Complex 87  | cell budding, cell cycle,<br>signaling process,<br>pseudohyphal growth,<br>cytoskeleton organisation,<br>protein modification process,<br>translation  | Protein phosphatase 2A complex<br>Golgi transport complex   |
| Complex 88  | cellular lipid metabolic<br>process, cofactor metabolic<br>process, generation of<br>precursor metabolites and<br>energy, protein modification<br>process, cellular<br>carbohydrate metabolic<br>process | GPI transamidase complex  |
| Complex 90  | generation of precursor<br>metabolites and energy,<br>mitochondrion organisation,<br>cellular respiration,<br>translation  | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit   |
| Complex 99  | RNA metabolic process,<br>transcription  | ISW1/IOC3 complex<br>DNA polymerase epsilon complex<br>RSC, abundant chromatin remodeling complex   |
| Complex 102 | transport, RNA metabolic<br>process, pseudohyphal<br>growth, translation,<br>transcription   | U1 snRNP  |
| Complex 103 | RNA metabolic process,<br>translation  | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes   |

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| Complex 104 | cellular homeostasis   | V1 vacuolar ATPase complex  |
| Complex 107 | RNA metabolic process  | mRNA guanylyl transferase complex   |
| Complex 119 | RNA metabolic process, translation   | Pab1/Pan2/Pan3 complex  |
| Complex 128 | RNA metabolic process  | RNA polymerase II complex   |
| Complex 129 | DNA metabolic process, transport, RNA metabolic process, transcription   | THO complex   |
| Complex 130 | cell cycle, transport, signaling process, response to stress, cytoskeleton organisation, heterocycle metabolic process   | F0/F1 ATP synthase  |
| Complex 131 | RNA metabolic process, ribosome biogenesis, protein complex biogenesis, cellular protein catabolic process   | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 133 | RNA metabolic process, translation   | Kap104/Hrp1 complex   |
| Complex 135 | cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process   | Clathrin<br>Arginine-specific carbamoyl-phosphate synthase complex<br>Histone acetyltransferase B complex |
| Complex 136 | transport  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex   |
| Complex 139 | transport, ribosome biogenesis, translation  | Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex  |
| Complex 141 | DNA metabolic process, cell cycle, RNA metabolic process, signaling process, ribosome biogenesis, response to stress, protein modification process, cytokinesis, transcription | Translation elongation factor EF1   |
| Complex 149 | RNA metabolic process, ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 151 | transport  | U1 snRNP  |
| Complex 156 | other  | RNA polymerase I<br>RNA polymerase II complex<br>RNA polymerase III complex                               |
| Complex 157 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 158 | DNA metabolic process, chromosome organisation, RNA metabolic process, response to stress, transcription   | RNA polymerase II complex   |
| Complex 159 | RNA metabolic process  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 162 | DNA metabolic process, cell cycle, response to stress  | DNA polymerase alpha-primase complex<br>Ctf18/Rfc2/Rfc3/Rfc4 /Rfc5 complex                                |
| Complex 165 | transport  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex  |

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|             |  | Serine palmitoyltransferase complex<br>Heteromeric p24 complex 1  |
| Complex 166 | cell cycle, transport,<br>mitochondrion organisation,<br>translation   | Kap104/Hrp1 complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex  |
| Complex 169 | transport, RNA metabolic<br>process  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex   |
| Complex 171 | cofactor metabolic process,<br>cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process,<br>response to stress  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex  |
| Complex 173 | mitochondrion organisation,<br>translation   | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit   |
| Complex 174 | transport, ribosome<br>biogenesis, translation   | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)   |
| Complex 175 | RNA metabolic process  | U1 snRNP<br>U2 snRNP<br>U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP<br>Lsm2-Lsm8 complex<br>Prp19-associated complex<br>Cytoplasmic mRNA processing body |
| Complex 178 | cell budding, transport, cell<br>cycle, vesicle-mediated<br>transport, vesicle<br>organisation, cytokinesis,<br>cellular membrane<br>organisation  | Mitochondrial ribosomal large subunit   |
| Complex 186 | cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process,<br>cytoskeleton organisation  | Trehalose-6-phosphate<br>synthase/phosphatase complex   |
| Complex 189 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | U2 snRNP<br>Prp19-associated complex<br>Karyopherins complex  |
| Complex 191 | cell budding, transport, cell<br>cycle, vesicle-mediated<br>transport, cellular membrane<br>organisation   | Actin-associated motorproteins 1 complex<br>Actin-associated motorproteins 2 complex  |
| Complex 199 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 203 | DNA metabolic process,<br>transport  | THO complex   |
| Complex 206 | mitochondrion organisation,<br>translation   | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit   |
| Complex 210 | cell budding, conjugation,<br>cell cycle, RNA metabolic<br>process, signaling process,<br>cellular component<br>morphogenesis, ribosome<br>biogenesis, pseudohyphal<br>growth, response to chemical<br>stimulus, cytoskeleton<br>organisation, cytokinesis | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes   |
| Complex 211 | RNA metabolic process,   | Small subunit processome  |

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|             | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 215 | mitochondrion organisation,<br>heterocycle metabolic<br>process, translation   | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit   |
| Complex 216 | cell cycle, cellular protein<br>catabolic process  | 20S core particle of the proteasome<br>19/22S regulator<br>Karyopherins complex<br>Pyruvate dehydrogenase   |
| Complex 220 | DNA metabolic process, cell<br>cycle   | Clathrin<br>Cohesin complex   |
| Complex 222 | cell budding, cell cycle,<br>transport, vesicle-mediated<br>transport, cytoskeleton<br>organisation, cytokinesis,<br>cellular membrane<br>organisation | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17<br>complex   |
| Complex 223 | RNA metabolic process,<br>mitochondrion organisation,<br>translation   | Translational release factor complex  |
| Complex 225 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes   |
| Complex 234 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>2-oxoglutarate dehydrogenase complex<br>Ric1/Rgp1 complex   |
| Complex 237 | RNA metabolic process  | U1 snRNP<br>Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex  |
| Complex 240 | DNA metabolic process,<br>response to stress   | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>ISW1/IOC3 complex<br>DNA polymerase epsilon complex<br>Ctf18/Rfc2/Rfc3/Rfc4 /Rfc5 complex   |
| Complex 246 | transport  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex   |
| Complex 247 | cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process,<br>cellular aromatic compound<br>metabolic process  | Anthranilate synthase complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex  |
| Complex 250 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 252 | translation  | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)<br>Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex<br>Pre-mRNA cleavage and polyadenylation<br>factor 1A<br>Polyadenylation factor I |

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| Complex 254 | RNA metabolic process,<br>translation  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>INO80 protein complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex         |
| Complex 255 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 257 | transport  | Kap104/Hrp1 complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex                                |
| Complex 260 | RNA metabolic process  | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)   |
| Complex 261 | RNA metabolic process,<br>transcription  | RNA polymerase II complex   |
| Complex 263 | RNA metabolic process  | U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP  |
| Complex 264 | mitochondrion organisation,<br>heterocycle metabolic<br>process, translation   | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit   |
| Complex 265 | translation  | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)<br>Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex           |
| Complex 266 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome                                      |
| Complex 267 | transport, cellular amino acid<br>and derivative metabolic<br>process, heterocycle<br>metabolic process  | alpha-Aminoadipate-semialdehyde<br>dehydrogenase complex                                  |
| Complex 272 | response to chemical<br>stimulus, protein modification<br>process, translation   | Karyopherins complex  |
| Complex 282 | cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process,<br>cellular aromatic compound<br>metabolic process,<br>generation of precursor<br>metabolites and energy,<br>cellular carbohydrate<br>metabolic process     | Spindle pole body<br>Anthranilate synthase complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex |
| Complex 284 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 285 | translation  | Karyopherins complex  |
| Complex 286 | RNA metabolic process,<br>ribosome biogenesis  | Gyp5/Gyl1 complex   |
| Complex 290 | cellular homeostasis, DNA<br>metabolic process, cell cycle,<br>cofactor metabolic process,<br>cellular amino acid and<br>derivative metabolic process,<br>cellular aromatic compound<br>metabolic process, signaling | Clathrin  |

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|             | process, protein folding, response to chemical stimulus, response to stress, heterocycle metabolic process, translation, vitamin metabolic process |  |
| Complex 299 | RNA metabolic process, translation   | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>Pab1/Pan2/Pan3 complex                   |
| Complex 302 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport, translation, cellular membrane organisation   | Rvs161/Rvs167 complex  |
| Complex 311 | unknown  | Karyopherins complex   |
| Complex 314 | generation of precursor metabolites and energy   | Spindle pole body  |
| Complex 317 | response to chemical stimulus, response to stress, cellular protein catabolic process  | Golgi associated retrograde protein complex                          |
| Complex 322 | other  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>INO80 protein complex                     |
| Complex 323 | chromosome organisation, RNA metabolic process, protein modification process, translation, transcription   | Histone acetyltransferase B complex                                  |
| Complex 325 | RNA metabolic process, transcription   | SAGA complex   |
| Complex 327 | cellular lipid metabolic process, RNA metabolic process  | Translational release factor complex                                 |
| Complex 331 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome                 |
| Complex 337 | RNA metabolic process, protein complex biogenesis, transcription   | SAGA complex<br>RNA polymerase II general transcription factor TFIID |
| Complex 339 | DNA metabolic process, response to stress  | Act1/Sac6 complex  |
| Complex 344 | protein folding  | Clathrin   |
| Complex 345 | cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, cellular aromatic compound metabolic process   | Anthranilate synthase complex  |
| Complex 348 | cellular lipid metabolic process, fungal-type cell wall organisation, cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, other                  | Golgi transport complex  |
| Complex 351 | DNA metabolic process, cell cycle, RNA metabolic process, response to stress, transcription  | Actin-associated motorproteins 2 complex                             |
| Complex 352 | cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, cellular aromatic compound   | Anthranilate synthase complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex |

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|             | metabolic process  |   |
| Complex 354 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 355 | translation  | Pre-mRNA cleavage and polyadenylation factor 1A<br>Polyadenylation factor I   |
| Complex 357 | transport  | Kap104/Hrp1 complex<br>Serine palmitoyltransferase complex  |
| Complex 358 | translation  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex<br>Anthranilate synthase complex  |
| Complex 359 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport, signaling process, protein modification process, heterocycle metabolic process  | mRNA guanylyl transferase complex<br>RAVE/Skp1 complex  |
| Complex 360 | cellular homeostasis, DNA metabolic process, cell cycle, cofactor metabolic process, signaling process, protein folding, response to chemical stimulus, response to stress, translation, cellular carbohydrate metabolic process | Clathrin  |
| Complex 362 | transport  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex   |
| Complex 362 | transport  | INO80 protein complex   |
| Complex 377 | cell budding, RNA metabolic process, signaling process, translation, cytokinesis   | Pab1/Pan2/Pan3 complex  |
| Complex 389 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport, protein folding, translation, cellular membrane organisation  | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex<br>Clathrin  |
| Complex 396 | translation  | Ribosome-associated complex (RAC)<br>Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex   |
| Complex 399 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport, response to chemical stimulus, cytoskeleton organisation, response to stress, cellular membrane organisation  | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex  |
| Complex 401 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport  | Karyopherins complex  |
| Complex 406 | translation  | Trehalose-6-phosphate synthase/phosphatase complex<br>Mitochondrial ribosomal large subunit<br>Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes<br>Mitochondrial ribosomal large subunit |
| Complex 412 | transport  | Gcn1/Gcn2/Gcn20 complex   |

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| Complex 414 | RNA metabolic process   | Mitochondrial ribosomal small subunit  |
| Complex 418 | RNA metabolic process   | U1 snRNP<br>U2 snRNP<br>U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP<br>Prp19-associated complex<br>Karyopherins complex |
| Complex 419 | heterocycle metabolic process   | Phosphoribosyl diphosphate synthase complex  |
| Complex 425 | translation   | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes                              |
| Complex 427 | transport, vesicle-mediated transport   | SNARE complex  |
| Complex 431 | ribosome biogenesis, translation  | Translation initiation factor eIF3 complex   |
| Complex 433 | transport, cell cycle, cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, protein folding, mitochondrion organisation  | Cyclin-dependent protein kinase complex  |
| Complex 436 | RNA metabolic process   | U1 snRNP<br>U2 snRNP<br>Prp19-associated complex   |
| Complex 437 | cellular lipid metabolic process, response to stress, cellular carbohydrate metabolic process   | Serine palmitoyltransferase complex  |
| Complex 443 | protein folding   | Chaperonine containing T-complex TRiC  |
| Complex 444 | transport, mitochondrion organisation   | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex   |
| Complex 446 | transport, cellular amino acid and derivative metabolic process, RNA metabolic process, cellular aromatic compound metabolic process, generation of precursor metabolites and energy, ribosome biogenesis, translation, cellular carbohydrate metabolic process | Spindle pole body  |
| Complex 447 | ribosome biogenesis   | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome   |
| Complex 449 | transport, chromosome organisation  | Cytoskeleton-regulatory Lsb3/Las17 complex<br>Clathrin<br>INO80 protein complex                |



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| Complex 452 | unknown  | Scs2/Opi1 complex   |
| Complex 461 | protein folding,<br>mitochondrion organisation,<br>translation                                   | Translational release factor complex  |
| Complex 467 | RNA metabolic process  | Pab1/eIF4G/eIF4E complex<br>ISW1/IOC3 complex<br>Bre5/Ubp3 complex<br>mRNA cap-binding -Bur2/Sgv1 complexes |
| Complex 468 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome<br>Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 475 | ribosome biogenesis  | Small subunit processome  |
| Complex 477 | generation of precursor<br>metabolites and energy,<br>cellular carbohydrate<br>metabolic process | Spindle pole body   |
| Complex 480 | protein folding, response to<br>stress   | Clathrin  |
| Complex 483 | cell cycle, RNA metabolic<br>process, signaling process  | Sit4/Sap190 complex   |
| Complex 484 | transport, vesicle-mediated<br>transport   | mRNA guanylyl transferase complex<br>RAVE/Skp1 complex  |
| Complex 485 | response to stress   | Scs2/Opi1 complex   |
| Complex 487 | cell cycle   | Actin-associated motorproteins 1 complex<br>Actin-associated motorproteins 2 complex                        |

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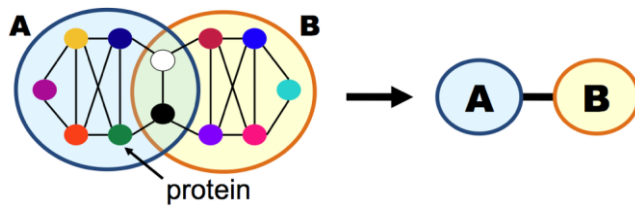
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## Synopsis:



We describe a novel representation of the yeast complexome, as a network of protein complexes connected by common protein subunits. Extensive validation shows this network is of high biological relevance. Connected complexes in the network were found to be of identical or related biological process, revealing a higher-level organisation of cellular function and allowing putative function to be assigned to 45 uncharacterised complexes.