

MetScape 2.3.2 User Manual

A Plugin for Cytoscape

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Please note that due to continuous software upgrades, the images in this handout may not exactly mimic what you see on the screen.

OVERVIEW

About data sources

MetScape is a plug-in for <u>Cytoscape</u>, the bioinformatics network visualization tool. The plug-in can be used to visualize and interpret metabolomics and gene expression data in the context of human metabolic networks.

MetScape uses a metabolite database developed by extracting and integrating information from the following sources:

1. Edinburgh Human Metabolic Network (EHMN) —

http://www.ehmn.bioinformatics.ed.ac.uk/

2. KEGG COMPOUND Database — http://www.genome.jp/kegg/compound/

MetScape allows users to load a list of metabolites with experimentally determined concentrations, a list of genes with experimentally determined expression values, and a list of concepts or pathways, and display them in the context of relevant metabolic networks.

Workflow overview

With MetScape, you can:

- Trace the connections between metabolites and genes.
- Integrate multidimensional data
- Visualize compound, reaction, enzyme and gene networks and display compound structures, as well as information for reactions, enzymes, genes, and pathways.
- Visually animate changes in compound concentrations over time and across experimental conditions.

The basic steps in the workflow include:

- 1. Enter data. You can type or paste a list of compounds and/or genes, load a file containing experimental data, or start from a biological pathway.
- 2. <u>Select compound and reaction attributes</u>. Choose which attributes to display in a table as you work with your visual network graph.
- 3. Explore the Visual network and table of attributes:
 - Expand and collapse a network.
 - Create a subnetwork
 - Visualize your data in a wide variety of network layouts provided by Cytoscape.
 - Use color, size, and other effects to visually reflect a set of attribute values.
- 4. Save your session and reopen it later.

INSTALLING CYTOSCAPE AND THE METSCAPE PLUGIN

You can use the MetScape plugin for Cytoscape in one of two ways:

- By launching Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin from the MetScape Webpage. With this method, you launch a temporary copy of Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin. Use this method when you don't have the administrative privileges to install software on your computer. You will not have access to other plugins when you use this method.
- By installing Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin on your local computer. With this method, you can use other plugins that work with MetScape data, such as Shortest Path and MCODE.

Launching Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin from the Web

To launch Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin from the MetScape Webpage:

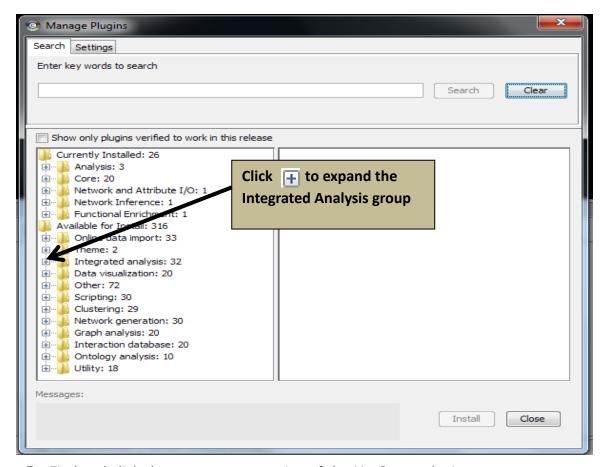
- 1. Go to http://metscape.ncibi.org/metscape2/.
- 2. On the **Webpage**, click the **Launch Cytoscape w/ MetScape 2 via Java Web Start** link.

After launching the Web version, you can do anything described in this User Guide.

You can save your Cytoscape session on your local computer and reopen it at a later time after launching the application from the MetScape Webpage again.

Installing Cytoscape and the MetScape plugin on your local computer

- 1. Install Cytoscape on your computer. For more information, go to the Cytoscape website at http://cytoscape.org/.
- 2. After Cytoscape is installed, start the application.
- 3. To install the MetScape plugin, select **Plugins -> Manage Plugins** from the Cytoscape menu.
- 4. Under Available to Install, click the plus sign) to expand the Integrated Analysis group.



- 5. Find and click the most recent version of the MetScape plugin.
- 6. Click Install.
- 7. When installation is complete, click Close.

A MetScape option is added to the Cytoscape **Plugins** menu.

Registration: MetScape is a free program. We ask you to register because it helps us to keep track of the number of downloads. Your information will be stored in a secure database and we will not share it with anyone. We may send you infrequent e-mails about future MetScape releases. You may also choose to decline the registration. If you decide to register later, the registration window can be found on the main MetScape menu.

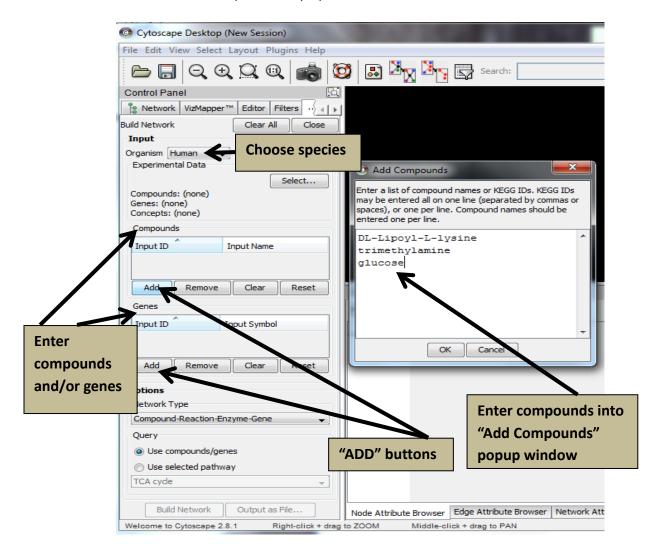
Note: This plugin requires Cytoscape 2.8 to run correctly.

ENTERING DATA

- 1. To begin a Cytoscape session with the MetScape plugin, first start Cytoscape.
- 2. Choose one of the following methods to get started.

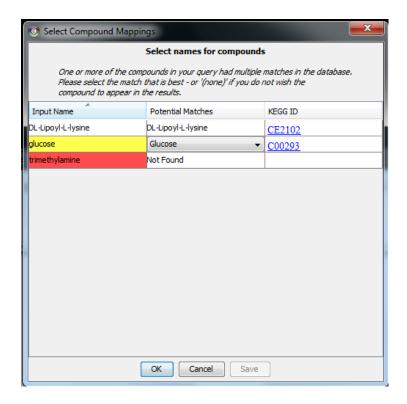
Option 1: Enter a list of compounds

- 1. Select **Plugins -> MetScape-> Build Network** from the Cytoscape menu.
- 2. A MetScape tab now appears on the left of the Cytoscape screen.
- 3. Select a species. Choices are: human, rat, mouse
- 4. Manually enter (or copy and paste) compound ID(s) or name(s) and/or Entrez gene ID(s) or symbol(s). Click **Add** and enter the appropriate ID type in the popup box. Lists of IDs should be separated by spaces.



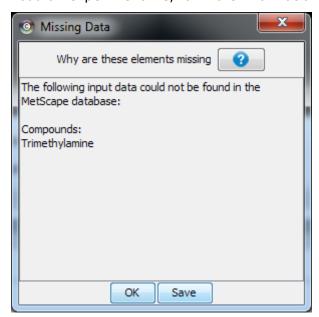
5. Click OK

6. If you enter a compound name, it will map to its KEGG id; a popup window will appear. If there is more than one potential match, use the dropdown arrow to choose the best match. If the compound is not found in the system, it will say "Not Found."



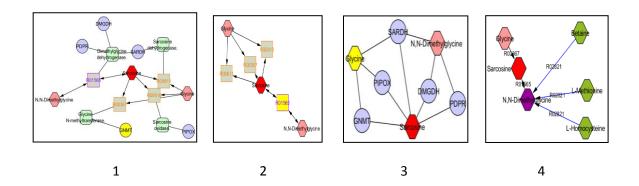
7. Click OK

8. After the experimental data has been loaded, if any of the genes/compounds that you submitted were not mapped to the database objects, a **Missing Data** window will appear. After viewing the **Missing Data** information, click **SAVE** to save the data for later viewing or click **OK** to close the window without making it available for future viewing. (See the Missing Data Window section below, under Option2: Load an experiment file, for more information about missing data).



9. Select a **Network Type** by selecting one of the following from the dropdown menu:

- Compound-Reaction-Enzyme-Gene (1)
- Compound-Reaction (2)
- Compound-Gene (3)
- Compound (4)



Note: When selecting Compound as the Network Type, a dropdown menu appears under Query, providing the option of choosing between compounds or genes. When any other Network Type is selected, the only option is to use compounds/genes unless using a selected pathway.

10. Click **Build Network** to guery the database and create the network.

Option 2: Load an experiment file

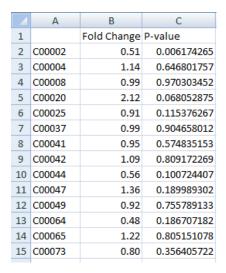
Use to load experimental data to visualize and explore compound networks over time or in varying experimental conditions. The input can be an Excel, comma, or tab delimited file. MetScape allows users to load three types of files – compound file, gene file, and concept file. Each type is optional, e.g. you can load only compounds, only genes, only concepts, or any combination of the above.

Compound File

The compound data file must meet the following requirements:

- The first row must be a heading row, in which:
 - The columns in the first row are column headings to label the data.
- All other rows contain experimental data, in which:
 - o The first column contains KEGG Compound IDs or names.
 - The remaining columns contain experimental data. Multiple experimental values are permissible in the same spreadsheet.

Below is a portion of an example compound file with Compound IDs, significance values, and fold change values:

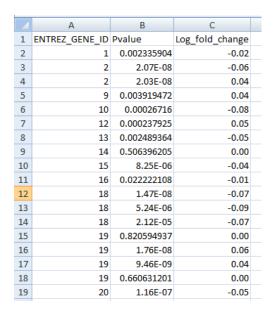


Gene File

The gene file must meet the following requirements:

- The first row must be a heading row that includes column headings to label the data.
- The first column contains Entrez Gene IDs or Official Gene Symbols.
- The remaining columns contain experimental data. Multiple experimental values are permissible in the same spreadsheet.

Below is a portion of an example gene file with Gene IDs, significance values, and fold change values:



Concept File

The concept file can be generated by a gene set enrichment analysis tool such as LRpath or GSEA from gene expression data.

Note: Gene set enrichment testing is an approach used to test for predefined biologically-relevant gene sets that contain more significant genes from an experimental dataset than expected by chance.

- GSEA (Subramanian at al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 2005, 102:15545-15550).
- LRpath (Sartor et al., Bioinformatics, 2009, 25(2):211-7).

Below is a portion of an example concept file:

	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I
1	Concept.name	ConceptType	n.genes	coeff	odds.ratio	p.value	FDR	Direction	sig.genes
2	Citrate cycle (TCA	KEGG Pathway	32	0.44858373	16.2447876	1.23E-08	1.67E-06	up	24368, 24399, 24401, 25179, 25721,
3	Fatty acid metab	KEGG Pathway	28	0.40269739	12.2142885	1.10E-06	7.48E-05	up	24158, 25363, 25618, 25757, 140547,
4	Alanine and aspa	KEGG Pathway	18	0.47651019	19.323541	1.93E-06	8.75E-05	up	24379, 24401, 25721, 81670, 81829,
5	Reductive carbox	KEGG Pathway	11	0.55839769	32.1439027	6.68E-06	2.27E-04	up	24368, 24399, 24401, 25721, 79250,
6	Oxidative phosp	KEGG Pathway	44	0.27758123	5.61284966	3.64E-05	9.89E-04	up	116550, 291103, 295923, 301011, 310
7	Urea cycle and m	KEGG Pathway	25	0.32301096	7.44383786	2.00E-04	0.00441518	up	24368, 24379, 24399, 24401, 24600, 3
8	PPAR signaling p	KEGG Pathway	32	0.28585824	5.90912002	2.33E-04	0.00441518	up	24158, 24450, 25045, 25757, 29171,
9	Carbon fixation	KEGG Pathway	11	0.44333373	15.7233268	3.59E-04	0.00542234	up	24401, 25721, 81670, 81829, 114508,
10	Arginine and pro	KEGG Pathway	20	0.33385131	7.96259603	5.14E-04	0.00699086	up	24368, 24379, 24399, 24401, 24600,
11	Butanoate metak	KEGG Pathway	30	0.26301141	5.12695967	0.00101503	0.01254945	up	24379, 24399, 24401, 24450, 25721,
12	Valine, leucine a	KEGG Pathway	24	0.27898384	5.66198894	0.00167291	0.01625109	up	24158, 24450, 29711, 140547, 17046
13	Glutathione met	KEGG Pathway	24	0.27372392	5.4799003	0.00205204	0.01860519	up	24379, 24399, 24401, 24422, 25721,
14	Propanoate meta	KEGG Pathway	16	0.32105291	7.35380592	0.00265316	0.02122524	up	24158, 140547, 170465, 171155, 298
15	Nitrogen metabo	KEGG Pathway	15	0.30373897	6.60362465	0.00596513	0.04056287	up	24379, 24399, 24401, 25721, 29242,
16	C5-Branched diba	KEGG Pathway	19	0.26819205	5.29471153	0.00686636	0.04226683	up	24158, 24379, 24399, 24401, 25721,
17	Pyruvate metabo	KEGG Pathway	19	0.26689922	5.25234187	0.00714807	0.04226683	up	81829, 298942, 306198, 307858, 361
18	Phenylalanine m	KEGG Pathway	21	0.25034932	4.73898475	0.00822755	0.0447139	up	24368, 24401, 25721, 81683
19	Antigen processi	KEGG Pathway	21	0.2496329	4.71793226	0.00841626	0.0447139	up	24223, 24812, 25217, 25599

Instead of loading a concept file you can run LRpath directly from MetScape.

Running LRpath from MetScape:

If you choose to run LRpath directly from MetScape, the directional test against EHMN metabolic pathways with a minimum number of genes in the concept = 5 will be performed. Only the concepts with p-values < 0.05 will be reported. For more options, go to the <u>LRpath page</u>.

 Select Plugins -> MetScape-> Select Experimental Data...from the Cytoscape menu.

Select a species. Choices are: human, rat, mouse

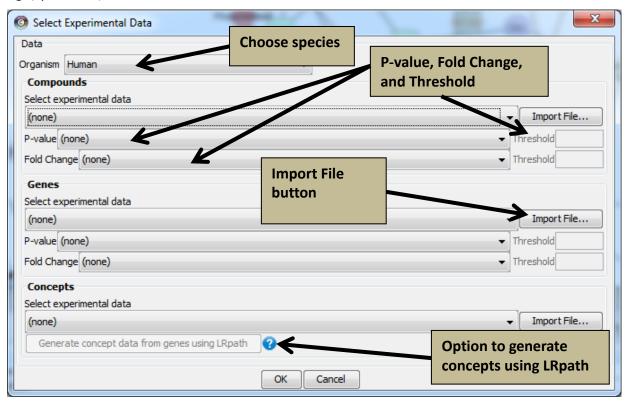
- 2. Using the **Import File...** buttons, select the compound and/or gene files to load.
- 3. Select the appropriate column headings, using the dropdown menus, for fold change and p-value. Choose the desired threshold.
- 4. Choose to select an input file with concepts or choose to generate concepts using LRpath (generating the concepts with LRpath will take longer than loading a file with the information).

Note: LRpath performs gene set enrichment testing, an approach used to test for predefined biologically-relevant gene sets that contain more significant genes from an experimental dataset than expected by chance (<u>Sartor et al., 2009</u>). To run LRpath, you

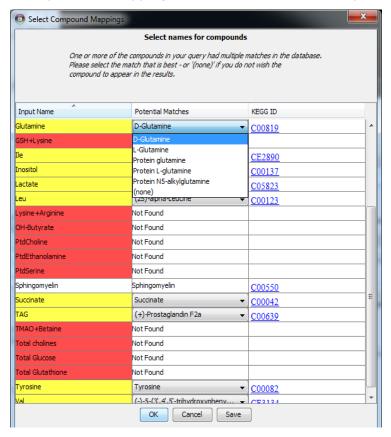
need a Gene Expression file with fold change (or log fold change) values and p-values. The Gene Expression file needs to contain all gene records, not just those for significant genes; LRpath will determine the significant genes from the input.

5. Click OK.

Example of selecting experimental data, including importing files and designating fold change, p-values, and thresholds:



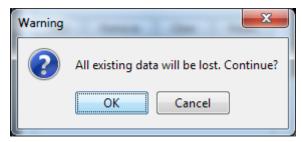
Example of ID mapping window from a loaded compound experiment file:



Note: If you select **Save** on the **Select Compound Mappings** window, you will get a .csv file containing mapping information for all compounds that MetScape successfully mapped.

Note: The **Select Experimental Data** window can also be accessed from the MetScape tab.

Note: Multiple networks can be built within the same user session. After a network is built, pull up the **Select Experimental Data** window and change the data files. Then build the new network. Both networks will remain accessible. If you change species, however, all existing data will be lost. The below warning window will pop up in this situation.



Missing Data Window

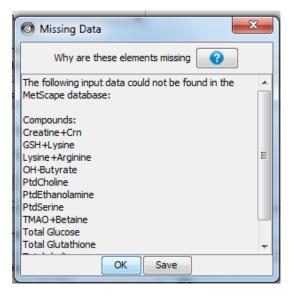
After the experimental data has been loaded, if any of the genes/compounds that you submitted were not mapped to the database objects, a **Missing Data** window will appear.

Genes, compounds, and concepts may appear on this missing elements list because:

• Genes and compounds that you supply may not be in the database. If they are not found in the database then they are reported as missing.

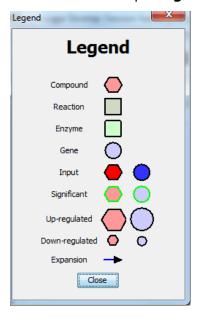
- If your input genes are not human (Rat, for example), then they are mapped to human genes using homologs from NCBI's HomoloGene. If this mapping fails, then those genes are reported as missing.
- MetScape will display only the genes that encode metabolic enzymes. If an input gene does not encode metabolic enzymes, it will appear on the missing elements list.
- A concept (pathway) will appear on the missing list if all of its significant genes are missing. The list of significant genes for a concept comes from the input file or from LRpath.

After viewing the **Missing Data** information, click **SAVE** to save the data for later viewing or click **OK** to close the window without making it available for future viewing.



VISUALIZATION

Access the MetScape Legend from Plugins -> MetScape -> Show Legend.



Additional information about the network is expressed through visualization:

- A compound is red in the original network and subsequent subnetworks if it was in the original data loaded into MetScape.
- A green border surrounding a node represents significant gene/compound.
- Node size represents the direction of the change. Larger nodes represent an
 increase and smaller nodes represent a decrease in gene/metabolite. The actual
 amount of the change is not represented visually.
- When a node is expanded, the edges between the original node and the expanded nodes become blue.

METSCAPE TAB

This tab has options for choosing Network Types, the data you entered, and more.

From this tab you can:

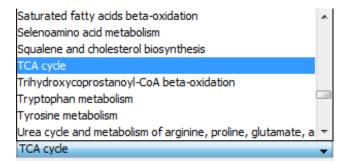
Select the type of network that you want to build

Select **Network Type** by selecting one of the following from the dropdown menu:

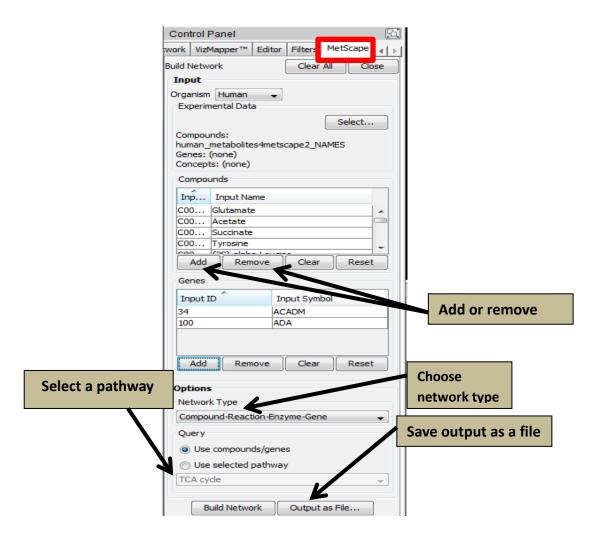
- o Compound-Reaction-Enzyme-Gene
- Compound-Reaction
- Compound-Gene
- Compound

Note: When selecting Compound as the Network Type, a dropdown menu appears under Query, providing the option of choosing between compounds or genes. When any other Network Type is selected, the only option is to use compounds/genes unless using a selected pathway.

- Add or Remove data.
- Select a pathway
 - Use to view all the compounds and reactions associated with a metabolic pathway. Select a specific pathway from the drop-down list.



- Save the Output as a File.
- Build Network graph based on the data.



Note: When the organism is human, the Genes section will show Input ID and Input Symbol. However, when the organism is not human (ex. rat), the Genes section will show Input ID, Input Symbol, and Human Symbol.

RULES USED TO BUILD DIFFERENT NETWORK TYPES

• Compound-Reaction-Enzyme-Gene (C-R-E-G), Compound-Reaction (C-R), and Compound-Gene (C-G) networks

The C-R-E-G, C-R, and C-G networks are all built from the same underlying data. That data is derived, in each case, by finding compounds that participate in reactions that are catalyzed by enzymes that are encoded by genes. If only genes are input, then all the enzymes, reactions, and compounds that match those genes are used. If only compounds are input, then all the reactions, enzymes, and genes that match those compounds are used. If both genes and compounds are input, then only those C-R-E-G couplings that match both a compound from the compound input and a gene from the gene input are used.

If a concept file is provided, genes from that file will be used as input. If a gene file is also provided it will be used only as input for LRpath (if user chooses that option).

If only a gene file is provided, all genes from that file are used as input. In this case, we recommend that you load a smaller set of genes (e.g. most significant differentially expressed genes).

• Compound (C) networks built from compound input

If a list of compounds is provided, the resulting network will include the query compounds (shown in red) plus any compounds that participate in the same reactions as query compounds. The edges will be drawn between "seed" compounds and their neighboring compounds

Compound (C) networks built from gene input

If a list of genes is provided, the resulting network will include the compounds that are related to the query genes via the reactions in which they participate, and the enzymes that catalyze these reactions. The edges will be drawn between all compounds.

Pathway networks

Pathway-specific C-R-E-G, C-R, and C-G networks are built from a set of genes, enzymes, reactions and compounds defined in the EHMN database. Pathway-specific Compound networks are built similarly to the Compound networks built from a set of input genes.

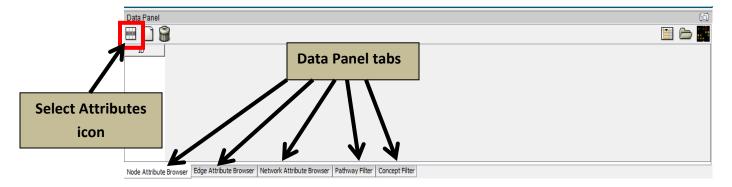
DATA PANEL DISPLAY

Attributes of compounds, reactions, pathways, and concepts that you have selected in the network appear in the Cytoscape Data Panel.

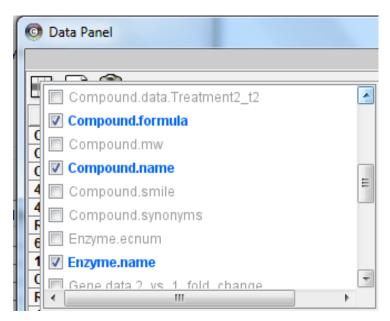
Choosing attributes provided through MetScape

To choose which attributes to view:

- To choose attributes for compounds, click the **Node Attribute Browser** tab in the Data Panel. You can choose to view **node**, **edge**, or **network** attributes by clicking on the respective tabs at the bottom of the Data Panel. Pathway data can be viewed under the **Pathway Filter tab** and concept data can be viewed under the **Concept Filter** tab in the Data Panel.
- 2. Click the **Select Attributes** icon in the Data Panel toolbar. A list of attributes with check boxes will appear.



3. Select the attributes you want displayed in the Data Panel. Attributes are listed with item type before the attribute (ex. Compound.name; Enzyme.name). The available attributes will depend on the type of network created.



4. When you are done, click anywhere outside of the list and the table will be populated with the appropriate data.

Below is a table of available attributes for each node type:

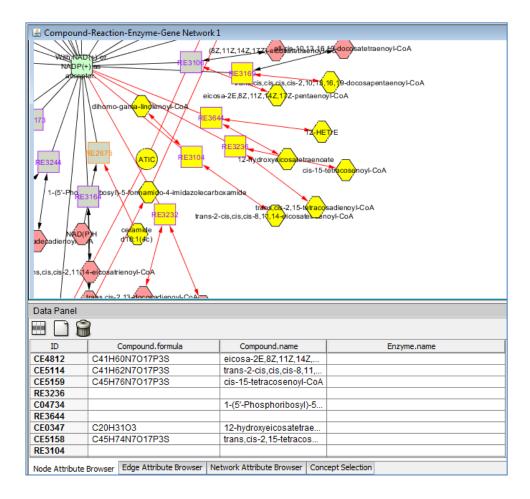
A		В
Attribute	¥	Description
ID		Unique identifier, required by Cytoscape
Compound.approximateMW		Compound Molecular weight (integer, data source - EHMN database)
Compound.casnum		Chemical Abtracts Service compound identifier
Compound.cid		KEGG compound unique identifier
Compound.file_name		Rows with data specific to your experiments
Compound.formula		Molecular formula
Compound.mw		Molecular weight
Compound.name		Compound name
Enzyme.ecnum		Enzyme Comission number
Enzyme.name		Enzyme name
Gene.file_name		Relative gene data values
Gene.column_name		Gene data p-value
Gene.description		Gene description
Gene.human.geneid		Human gene identifier
Gene.symbol		Official gene symbol
Genegeneid		Ortholog gene ID if the input organism is not human
Reaction.equation		Equation for a reaction
Reaction.locations		Reaction subcellular location (EHMN database)
Reaction.pathway		Pathway involving reaction
Reaction.reversible		T= reaction is reversible; F=reaction is non reversible
Reaction.rid		Reaction identifier
Туре		Node type (gene, enzyme, reaction or compound)
canonicalName		Node name that is shown on node label
Gene.locations		Subcellular location

^{*}Please note that the reactions shown in the Reaction.equation attribute display all compounds, while the networks built from the list of input genes/compounds show only "main" compounds (see <u>Ma et al., Mol. Syst. Biol., 2007, 3:135</u> for details). Pathway-specific networks show all compounds.

Below is a table of available attributes for each edge:

А		В
Attribute	•	Description
Enzyme.names		Enzyme name
Enzyme.ecnums		Enzyme Comission number
Reaction.equation		Equation for reaction
Reaction.locations		Reaction subcellular location (EHMN database)
Reaction.pathway		Pathway involving reaction
Reaction.reversible		T= reaction is reversible; F=reaction is non reversible
Reaction.rid		Unique identifier for reaction
canonicalName		Common name
interaction		Type of interaction

5. Select compounds and/or edges in the graph to view their attributes in the Data Panel.

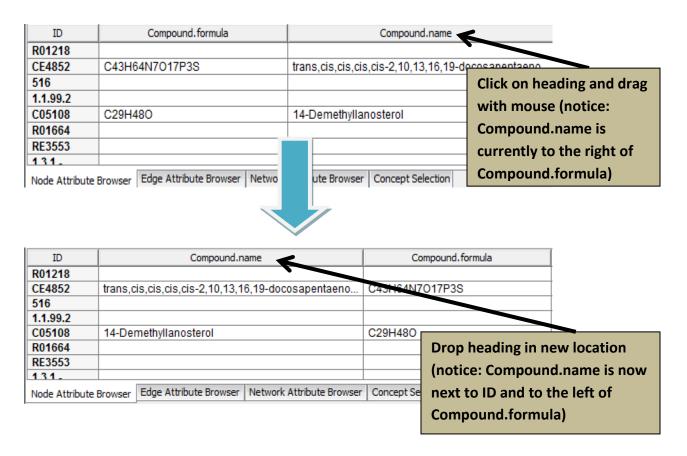


Notes:

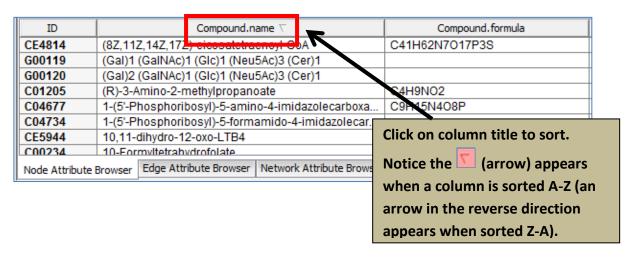
- Some attributes (such as Formula, Mass, and Smile) apply only to compound nodes, while others (such as Enzyme, Pathway, and Reversibility) apply only to reaction nodes.
- Other plugins used earlier in your Cytoscape session may leave behind attributes that don't apply to MetScape compound or reaction data.

Rearranging attributes in the data panel

To reorder attributes in the Data Panel, click on an attribute column heading and drag it to a new location:

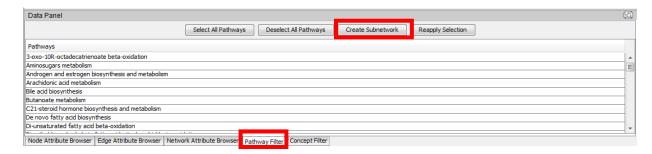


To sort by an attribute, click the attribute column heading; to sort in the reverse direction, click again.



Pathway filter in the data panel

MetScape provides two ways to access pathway information. The **Pathway Filter** tab lists all pathways represented in the network. Selecting one or more pathways will highlight in the network all nodes in the pathway(s). Pathways are also displayed as attributes in the data panel.

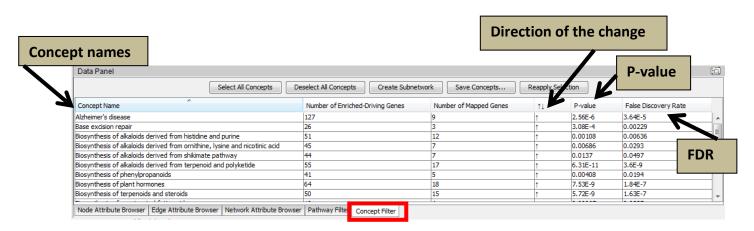


A subgraph can be created for a given pathway. The subgraph consists of a subset of nodes from an active network that belong to the selected pathway. To create a subgraph:

- 1. Select a pathway in the **Pathway Filter** tab.
- 2. Click the **Create Subnetwork** button at the top of the Data Panel (make sure you are on the **Pathway Filter** tab).
- 3. A new graph appears in the graph window. This is the subnetwork for the selected pathway.

Concept filter in the data panel

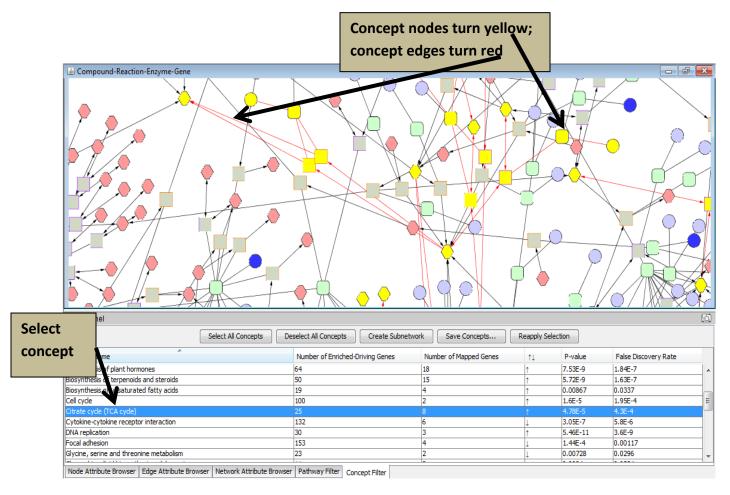
The content of the created or loaded concept file is put into the **Concept Filter** tab.



- 1. Concept Name official name of the concept.
- 2. Number of Genes the number of input genes that belong to the concept.
- 3. Direction direction of the change.
- 4. P-value the p-value for enrichment/depletion.

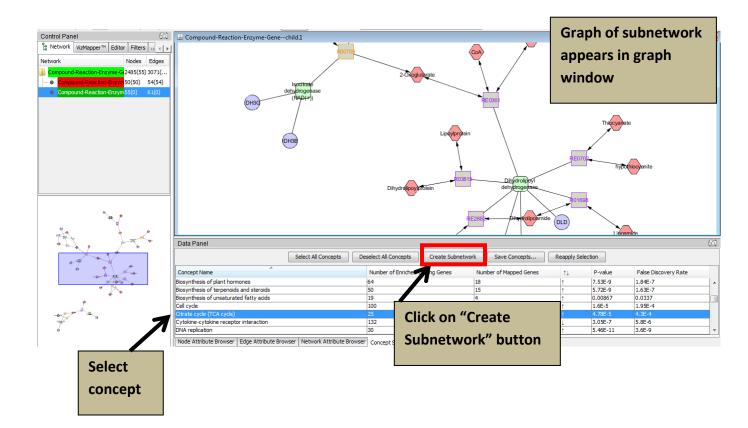
5. False Discovery Rate - the FDR, estimated using the method of Benjamini and Hochberg (When results are sorted by p-value, a FDR < 0.05 is interpreted to mean that approximately 5% of the concepts with lesser or equal p-value are false positives).

To map a concept on the graph, click on the concept name in the Data Panel. The concept will then be highlighted in the graph (associated nodes turn yellow and associated edges turn red).



A subgraph can be created for a given concept. The subgraph consists of genes considered to be significant to the concept (those genes that drive the concept), not all genes in the concept. To create a subgraph:

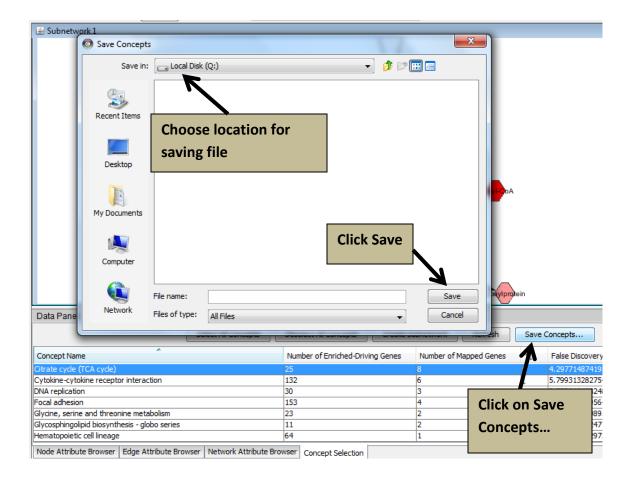
- 4. Select a concept in the **Concept Filter** tab.
- 5. Click the **Create Subnetwork** button at the top of the Data Panel (make sure you are on the **Concept Filter** tab).
- 6. A new graph appears in the graph window. This is the subnetwork for the selected concept.



The **Reapply Selection** button will re-select the last selected concept in the graph. If you select a concept and then select off of it, clicking the **Reapply Selection** button will reselect that concept.

The concept information can be saved as a file. To save this information:

- 1. Under Concept Filter tab, click the Save Concepts... button.
- 2. A new window pops up, asking where to save the file. Choose the desired location.
- 3. Click **Save**. The file saves as a CSV file that can be opened with most text editing or spreadsheet programs. The file format is identical to the input concept file.

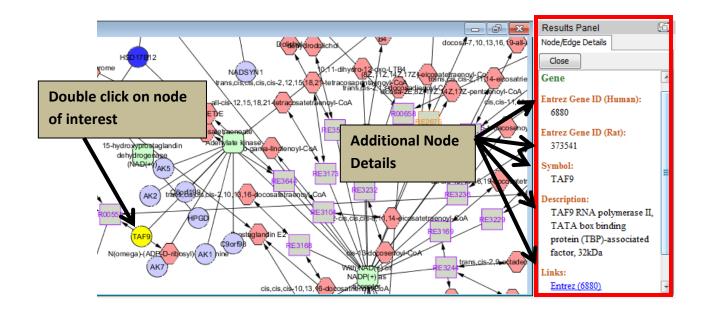


METSCAPE RESULTS PANEL (ADDITIONAL NODE INFORMATION)

Additional information can be obtained for each node by double clicking on it.

To get additional information about any compound, gene, reaction, or enzyme:

- 1. Double click on the node of interest.
- 2. On the right side of the screen, the **MetScape Results Panel** will show up.
- 3. Use the scroll bar or click on the undock icon to see all the data.



ANIMATION OF DATA

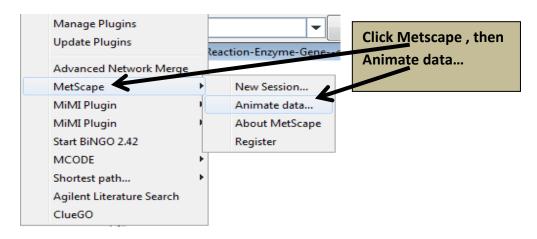
Create an animation of the data to see how it changes over time and across treatments.

Building an Animation

1. Create a subnetwork (for example, create a subnetwork for the TCA Cycle. See the Concept Selection Data in the Data Panel section for how to do this).

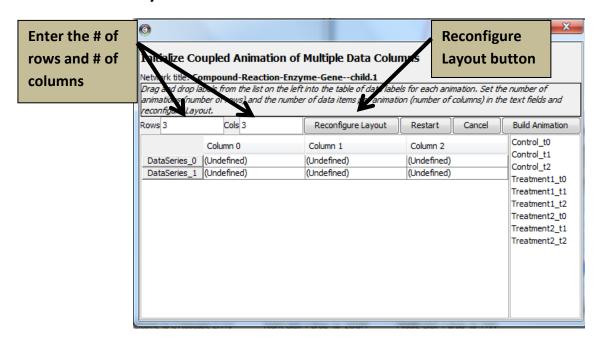
Note: It is not necessary to create a subnetwork before doing data animation; the animation can be done on any network.

2. From the **Plugins** menu, choose **MetScape -> Animate data...**

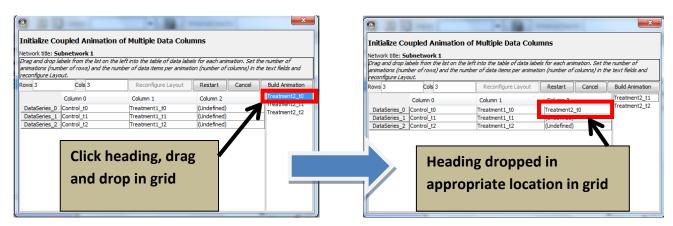


- 3. A new window pops up, titled **Initialize Coupled Animation of Multiple Data Columns.**
- 4. Column headings from your data are listed on the right side of the new window. Determine how many animations (number of rows) and data items per animation Page 26 of 35

(number of columns) you will need. Enter this information into the Rows and Cols boxes. If you change these numbers from the default, click on **Reconfigure Layout.**



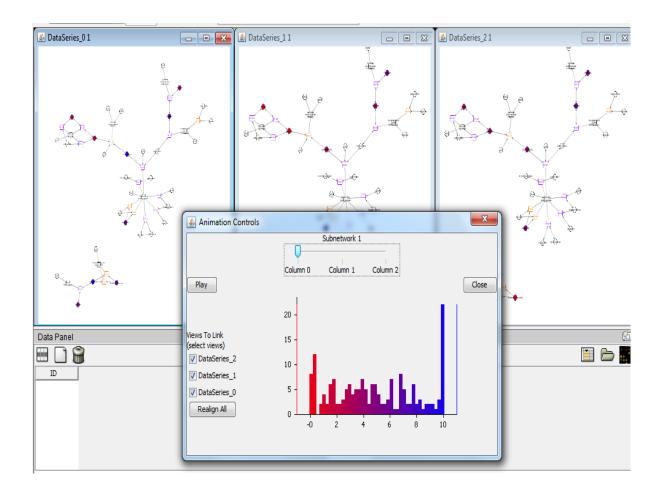
5. Click and drag the column names into the grid to build the animation.



6. After grid is completely filled in, click on **Build Animation**.

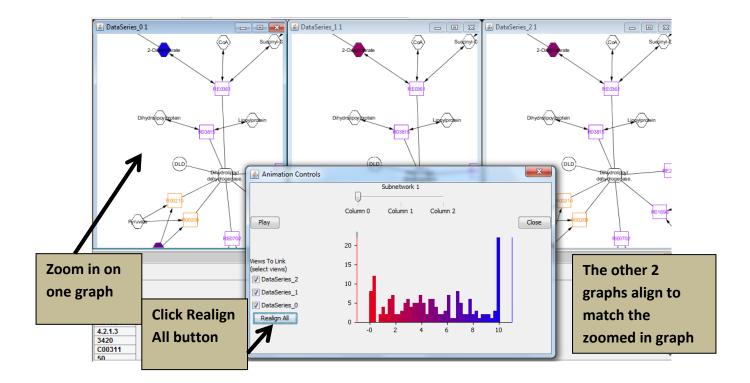
Note: If you want to undo what you filled out in the grid, click on **Restart** and the grid will be cleared.

7. Three new windows appear in the graph panel, each representing a different treatment. In addition, an **Animation Controls** window appears.



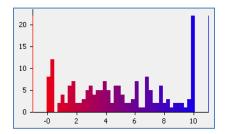
Manipulating the animation: zooming

- 1. **Zoom** in on one graph to the appropriate view size (zoom the same way you do with any Cytoscape graph).
- 2. On the **Animation Controls** window, click on **Realign All.** This brings all the treatment graphs to the same view.

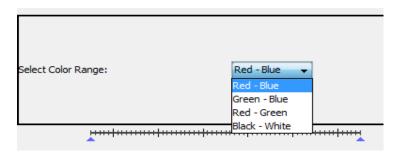


Manipulating the animation: bar chart

1. The bar chart in the **Animation Controls** window shows the range of the data and its frequency. The range of measurements are on the x-axis, while the frequency with which they occur in the experimental data set are on the y-axis.

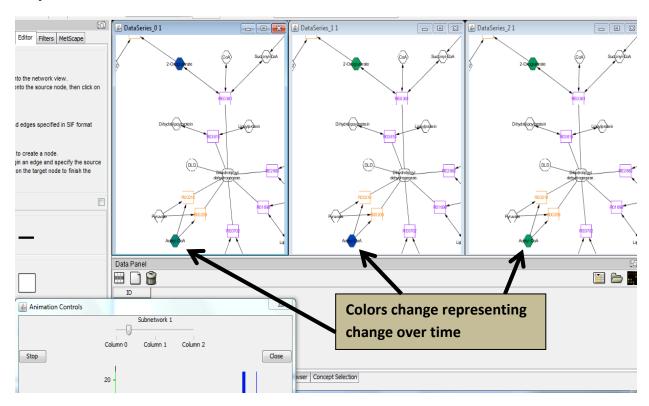


- 2. Click on a bar in the bar chart and a vertical line (slider) will show up on the bar chart. The slider can be moved by clicking on the bar chart and dragging the line. When moved, the values shown in black are also shown in black in the graph and the set of the color scale is reset.
- 3. The selected portion of the graph determines what the animation will show. This allows outliers to be removed if desired.
- 4. The color range can be changed by clicking the dropdown arrow next to **Red-Blue.**



Playing the animation

To play the animation, click **Play** on the **Animation Controls** window. Colors change within the three treatments, showing changes over time. To stop the animation, click **Stop** on the **Animation Controls** window.



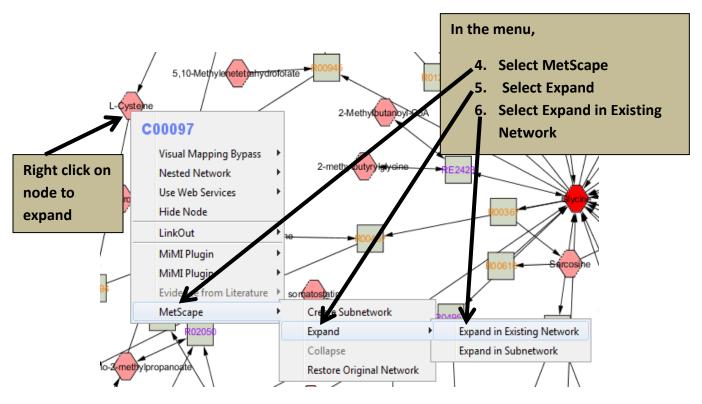
MANIPULATING NETWORKS

Expanding a network

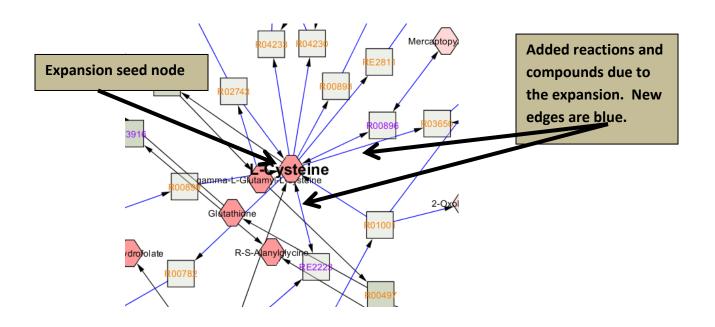
From a compound node, you can expand the current network to include additional reactions and related compounds, genes, and enzymes.

Option 1: Expanding a network in the current network window (Example using Compound-Reaction Network)

- 1. Right click on the compound node you want to expand (this node is known as the expansion seed node). A menu of options will pop up.
- 2. Go to MetScape -> Expand -> Expand in Existing Network

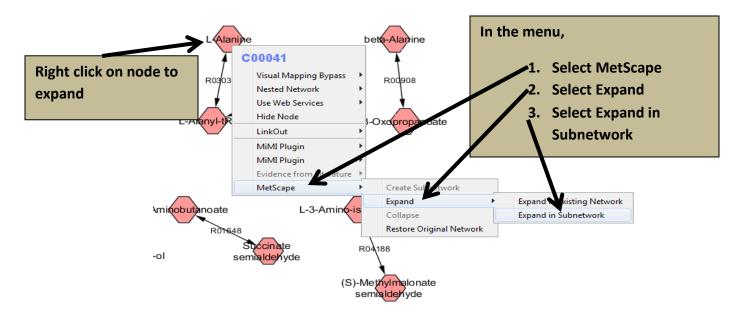


- 3. Additional compounds and reactions are added to the network. As a result, the network is often redrawn.
- 4. The edges between the original node and the expanded nodes are now blue.

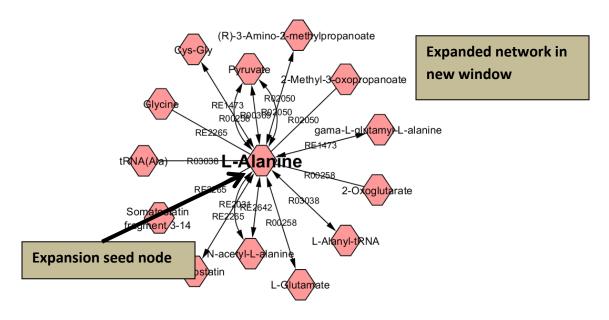


Option 2: Expanding a network in a new window (Example using Compound Network from Selected Genes)

- 1. Right click on the compound node you want to expand (this node is known as the expansion seed node). A menu of options will pop up.
- 2. Select MetScape -> Expand -> Expand in Subnetwork



3. A new network is created in a new window. This network includes only the expansion seed compound and its related compounds, reactions, enzymes, and genes (depending on the Network Type). The original color designations are used when the graph is created in a new window.



Collapsing a network

To collapse a network that is expanded in a current network window:

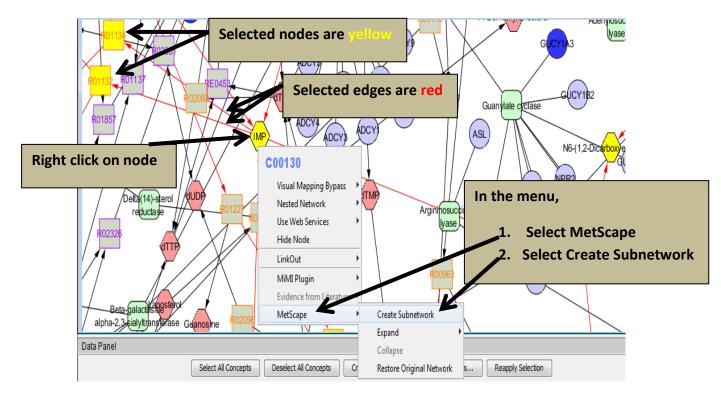
- 1. Right click on the expansion seed compound node.
- 2. Select **MetScape -> Collapse** and then:
 - To collapse only the branch expanded from that expansion seed compound, select Collapse.
 - To collapse all expanded branches, select **Restore Original Network.**

Creating a subnetwork

A subnetwork of a current network can be created and will appear in a separate window. A subnetwork will include all highlighted nodes and edges (selected nodes should be yellow and selected edges should be red).

For example:

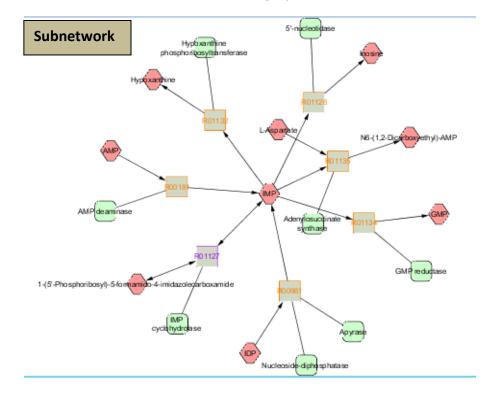
- 1. Select the compound IMP
- 2. Go to the **Select** menu in Cytoscape.
- 3. Choose **Nodes -> First Neighbors of Selected Nodes.** Now all the first neighbors of IMP should be yellow.
- 4. Go to the **Select** menu in Ctyoscape.
- Choose Edges -> Select Adjacent Edges. Now all the adjacent edges should be red.
- 6. Right click on IMP. A menu of options will pop up.



7. Choose MetScape -> Create Subnetwork.

Note: When choosing options from the menu, be careful not to move the cursor outside the menu panels. Doing so will remove the highlighting of the nodes and edges, resulting in an empty subnetwork.

8. A new subnetwork is created in the graph window.



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Destroying a network

To destroy a network no longer needed:

- 1. Make sure you really do want to destroy the network.
 - Cytoscape will not ask you to confirm the deletion.
 - Destroying the network is irreversible.
 - **Note:** If you want to destroy a network view without destroying the network itself, use **Destroy View** instead of **Destroy Network.**
- 2. On the **Network** tab in the Cytoscape Control Panel, right click on the network you want to destroy and select **Destroy Network**.

Note: If you destroy a network that has subnetworks, the subnetworks are **NOT** destroyed. They are promoted up one network level.

SAVING AND REOPENING A SESSION

Saving a session

To save a Cytoscape session containing one or more MetScape plugin networks:

- 1. Select **File -> Save** (or **Save As...**) from the Cytoscape menu.
- 2. Browse to a location for saving the file.
- 3. Name the file.
- 4. Click Save.

Reopening a session

To reopen a saved session containing MetScape plugin data:

- 1. Select **File -> Open** from the Cytoscape menu.
- 2. Navigate to the saved file location.
- 3. Select the file.
- 4. Click Open.
- 5. After Cytoscape reports that the session file was successfully loaded, click Close.