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## HYPOTHETICAL PROTEINS OF *MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS* H37Rv AS DRUG TARGETS

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### ABSTRACT

Hypothetical proteins often with unknown functions . *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* H37Rv has a very large number of such proteins , which can be exploited as drug target as the bacterium became more virulent with developing antibiotic resistance to first line and second line of drugs . Some hypothetical proteins (290 proteins) were studied from different aspects related to find the druggable proteins . Results shown that some of it get good druggability score such as Rv2074, Rv2827c , Rv0295c which are worth to be subjected to further scheme of drug design such as docking or using other computational techniques .

**KEY WORDS :** Rv proteins , Drug targets , *M. tuberculosis* , Protein druggability , New drugs , Bioinformatics



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## INTRODUCTION

Tuberculosis (TB) caused by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* remains a major public health problem around the world<sup>1</sup>. and global surveillance indicates that multidrug-resistant *M. tuberculosis* (MRD-TB) and extensively drug resistance (XDR-TB) are spreading to many spots posing a major threat to TB eradication programme<sup>2</sup>. The success of *M. tuberculosis* is in part due to the discontinuity of its life cycle in the host system, owing to its dormant ability to enter and exit from different states in response to antimycobacterial host defense mechanisms, enabling it to infect, grow, persist and survive in human macrophages<sup>1</sup>. This means good and active immune response quarantine the bacteria in granuloma which halts replication of bacilli and suppresses the immediate threat of active infection<sup>3,4</sup> and cells will be in dormant phase under different types of stresses. Approximately 10% of latent infections reactivate upon flatter the immune system as in HIV infections, malnutrition, using immunosuppressive drugs and others<sup>5</sup>. It is known that only Rifampicin and Pyrazinamide show activity against persisters bacilli that are in dormant phase, however, they do not eliminate all dormant population, and Pyrazinamide is likely to effect only those persisters that reside in acidic pH conditions<sup>6</sup>. No new antituberculosis drugs have been developed for over 20 years<sup>7</sup>. Identification of novel drug targets for diseases and development of new drugs have always been expensive and time-consuming, the latter could extend to 10-15 years<sup>1</sup>. Currently, technological developments in large-scale biological experiments, coupled with Bioinformatics tools can provide inexpensive strategies which shorten the length of time spent in drug discovery<sup>1</sup>. The drugs should be able to kill the intracellular organisms that are in a persistent state for the *M. tuberculosis*<sup>1</sup>. On the other hand, it has been suggested that targeting already known *M. tuberculosis* targets for drug development have limited success because of potential cross-resistance<sup>6,8</sup>. The

aim of this study was to characterize some hypothetical proteins (Rv proteins) which could be good drug target of the most virulent strain *M. tuberculosis* H37Rv.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

- Retrieval of Rv gene sequences and their products (Rv protein sequences): Some hypothetical protein sequences were retrieved as in previous study<sup>9</sup> using TubercuList database (<http://tuberculist.epfl.ch/>)
- Host (Human) homology with bacterial proteins was carried out by subtractive genomics method using DEG database (<http://tubic.tju.edu.cn/deg/>)
- BLASTn ([http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi?PROGRAM=blastp&PAGE\\_TYPE=BlastSearch&LINK\\_LOC=blasthome](http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi?PROGRAM=blastp&PAGE_TYPE=BlastSearch&LINK_LOC=blasthome)) was used to find out the similarity.
- TDR database<sup>10</sup> (<http://tdrtargets.org/>) was used for different purposes.
  - Finding the expression level<sup>3,8</sup>
  - Proteins segments associated with membranes
  - Finding Pfam database entries with suggested functions
  - Classification of proteins according to gene ontology (GO)
  - Essentiality of proteins
  - Other characters
- MycoPrint database (<http://www.imtech.res.in/raghava/mycoprint/>) was used to estimate protein interactions (Interactome).
- webTB (<http://www.webtb.org/>) was used to find out the proteins with pdb files.
- DoG Site Score package<sup>11</sup> (<http://dogsite.zbh.uni-hamburg.de/>) was used to find protein druggability.

## RESULTS

*M. tuberculosis* and specially the virulent strain H37Rv got a lot of hypothetical proteins with unknown functions (or at least not proved yet) . Some of these proteins studied previously<sup>9</sup>

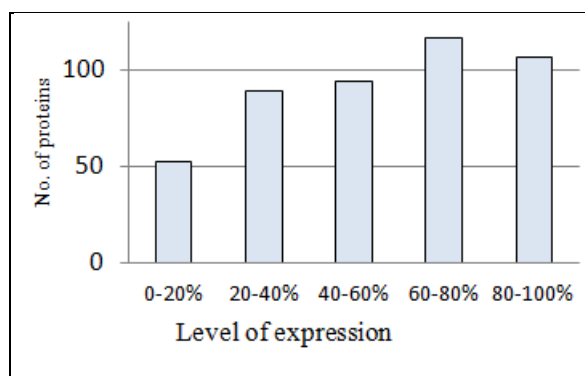
was used in this study (290 proteins) , the first step is to find similarity with the host genome , this was done using subtractive genomics approach<sup>12,13</sup> Table 1 shows the degree of similarity of some hypothetical proteins and human essential genes .

**Table 1**  
**Similarity of hypothetical proteins with human genes**

Rv ID	Human Gene ID	% Similarity
Rv0699	DEG20060001	38
Rv3612c	DEG20060002	32
Rv0008c	DEG20060008	32
Rv3718c	DEG200600022	29
Rv0636		30
Rv1961	DEG200600026	44
Rv3755c	DEG200600034	31
Rv1890c	DEG200600038	28
Rv0122	DEG200600045	34
Rv0241c	DEG200600048	39
Rv0636		39
Rv2020c	DEG200600064	38
Rv1961	DEG200600083	43
Rv2288	DEG200600092	33
Rv1535	DEG200600099	39
	DEG200600105	69

Some of proteins exhibited some similarity, those with similarity of 60% or more were excluded, the rest of proteins showed no similarity.

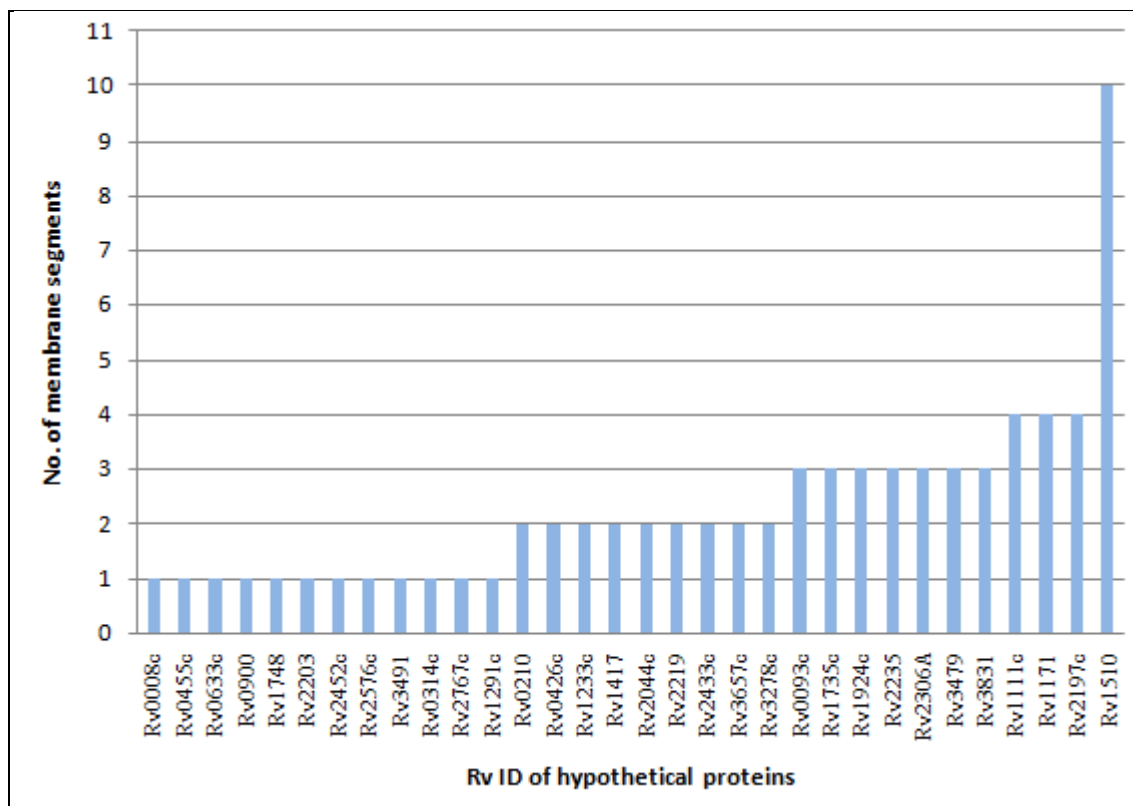
Degree of expression at dormant phase<sup>3, 8</sup> at different level are shown in Fig 1 (Suppl Table S1)



**Figure 1**  
**Distribution of proteins according to the level of expression in dormant phase.**

It has been found that 45 protein out of 290 (15.5%) had some essentiality (Suppl Table S2).

Some of the hypothetical proteins under investigation showed different numbers of segments associated with membrane Fig 2.



**Figure 2**  
**Proteins with membranous segments**

Number of proteins got Pfam and GO entries (Suppl Table S3, suppl Table S4) Protein interactions has a very good strategy for targeting, this can be found by querying MycoPrint database (Suppl Table S5). Some proteins interact with a large number of proteins as Rv0898c which interact with 908 proteins and Rv1233c interacts with 364 proteins, the rest ranged between undetected state and the degrees mentioned. Some proteins were distributed among different orthologous groups of OrthoMCL cluster (TDR database) (Suppl Table S6). Structural clue is considered an integral issue in drug design and discovery, so the website (webTB) was screened to find out the proteins with pdb files, this shown in Table 2.

**Table 2**  
**Proteins with pdb structure(s)**

Rv ID	Pdb ID
Rv1873	<u>2D2Y</u> <u>2JEK</u>
Rv2074	<u>2ASF</u>
Rv2827c	<u>1ZEL</u>
Rv0295c	<u>1TEX</u>
Rv1155	<u>1w9a</u> , <u>1xx0</u> , <u>1y30</u> , <u>2aq6</u>
Rv2740	<u>2bng</u>

Very little of hypothetical proteins were found with pdb structure, 9 out of 290 (3.1%). Those were used to find protein druggability using DoGSiteScore. It has been found that protein Rv0295c (pdb ID 1TEX) represents a protein with good druggability as 8 pockets get high score (0.78-0.8) as shown in Table 3

**Table 3**  
**Some of hypothetical proteins with potential druggability**

Rv ID	No. of pockets suitable for molecule binding	Drug Score
Rv1873 (2D2Y, 2JEK)	5	0.66
Rv2074 (2ASF)	4	0.72
Rv2827c (1ZEL)	3	0.85
Rv0295c (1TEX)	19	0.84
Rv1155 (1w9a, 1xxo, 1y30, 2aq6)	19	0.81
Rv2740 (2bng)	0	
	0	

In addition, some hypothetical proteins were found to have enzymatic activity as in Rv0521c (Methyltransferase, EC 2.1.1.-), Rv0552 (Methyltransferase, EC 2.1.1.-) and Rv0492c (Oxidoreductase, EC 1.-.-.-).

## DISCUSSION

*Mycobacterium tuberculosis* strain H37Rv draws attention of many research groups, therefore, databases and websites were developed for it<sup>14</sup>. Availability of genome sequence of pathogens has provided a tremendous amount of information that can be useful for drug target and vaccine target identification<sup>12</sup>. However, upon annotation of genomes a lot of hypothetical proteins with unknown functions appeared<sup>8</sup>, some of these proteins were studied to assign their function mainly with *in Silico* mode<sup>9,15</sup>. So these proteins can be exploited as drug targets using subtractive genomics method<sup>12</sup>. Genome subtraction approach has been successfully used to locate drug targets of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and other bacteria<sup>12,13</sup>. As target identification is the first step in drug design and discovery, this step on stage is complicated by the fact that the identified target must satisfy a variety of criteria to permit progression to the next step. Important factors in this context included homology between the target and host to avoid host toxicity, this homology must be low or non exist<sup>6</sup>. In this study most of the hypothetical proteins were satisfied this criterion, except Rv1535 which showed more than 60% homology which has been used as a cutoff of acceptance (Table 1). On the other hand the long treatment time of TB will encourage selection pressure for drug resistance in the natural flora<sup>8</sup>, this point was avoided in this study, since the gut flora are in large numbers and highly variable among

human populations and depends on several factors. The other parameter which can be considered is the essentiality, which included in DEG database, it has been reported that 570 genes could be essential recorded for *M. tuberculosis* under nutrient-rich conditions<sup>8</sup>, such gene essentiality attracts attention as drug target<sup>8,17,18</sup>. The essentiality recorded for *M. tuberculosis* under certain conditions using transposon site hybridization<sup>18,19</sup>, which cannot give a full and complete picture about gene/protein essentiality. On the other hand in *M. tuberculosis* infection, dormancy represents an important phase, expression of genes under such conditions considers as a good targets for investigations, specially those with high expression in dormant phase (Fig 1, Suppl Table 1), some genes expressed in latent infection (*in vivo*) could mean that it is required for survival during dormancy<sup>8</sup>, therefore, and only further laboratory knockout studies will show the gene essentiality.

It has been investigated that protein-protein interaction (PPI) as a potential approach for understanding the *M. tuberculosis* pathogenesis and building up networks<sup>2,20</sup>, so proteins with high level of interaction can be targeted such as Rv0898c and Rv1233c. Orthologous proteins are often functionally and structurally similar. They may be modulated by identical or similar molecules making orthology assessment a powerful tool to connect a known druggable target with a potential novel

targets<sup>3,10</sup>, and this approach has been used in TDR database, so drugs for some COGs can be borrowed as a start point for designing new drugs. Structural clues of proteins such as presence of pdb structure are helpful for designing drugs, 9 or the hypothetical proteins have pdb structure (Table 2). The availability of a target crystal structure would aid in rational drug design and therefore provide a strong practical advantage in throughput docking and lead optimization<sup>8</sup>. So, proteins with pdb structure were used to measure the druggability of proteins which their activity has previously been shown to be modulated by binding small molecules and have binding affinity below 10  $\mu\text{M}$  to compound pass through Lipinsky rule of 5<sup>8,11</sup>. DoGSiteScore software is an automated pocket detection and analysis tool which can be used for protein druggability assessment, it is based on calculated size, shape, and chemical features of automatically predicted pocket, incorporated into a support vector machine for druggability

estimation. This software needs input pdb ID of the protein<sup>11</sup>, using this software results showed that some proteins are worth to be pursued as drug target.

## CONCLUSION

Novel strategies are essentially needed to overt the global catastrophic forecast by the WHO, therefore, computational approach for drug identification specifically for *M. tuberculosis* can produce a list of reliable targets very rapidly, as this approach has the advantage of speed and low cost<sup>7</sup>. It would be desirable if the target selected, is essential for both growing and dormant bacteria. So proteins of Table 3, Rv2827c, Rv0295c, Rv2074 and Rv1873 could be good targets as they are druggable and interact with other proteins ranging from 3 to 9 and at desirable level of expression and with recorded essentiality

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**Supplement Table S1**  
**Percent of expression of proteins in dormant phase**

0-20%	20-40%	40-60%	60-80%	80=100%
	Rv0008c			
		Rv0057		
	Rv0028			
		Rv0030		
Rv0057				
		Rv0061		
				Rv0079
				Rv0080
				Rv0088
				Rv0093c
		Rv0098		
		Rv0108c		
				Rv0122
				Rv0123
			Rv0193c	
		Rv0209		
			Rv0210	
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		Rv0257c		
			Rv0272c	
		Rv0295c		
	Rv0299			

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			Rv0333	
			Rv0340	
		Rv0358		
	Rv0360c			
	Rv0381c			
	Rv0390			
	Rv0395	Rv0395		
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Rv0424c				
				Rv0426c
	Rv0455c			Rv0455c
			Rv0471c	
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Rv0518			Rv0518	
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	Rv0612	Rv0612		
Rv0613c				
			Rv0616c	Rv0616c
Rv0633c		Rv0633c		
	Rv0636		Rv0636	
	Rv0662c	Rv0662c		
		Rv0689c	Rv0689c	
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			Rv0789c	Rv0789c
				Rv0810c
		Rv0836c		Rv0836c
			Rv0837c	Rv0837c
			Rv0898c	Rv0898c
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		Rv0909	Rv0909	
		Rv0942		Rv0942
	Rv0979c	Rv0979c		
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	Rv1012		Rv1012	
				Rv1045
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				Rv1222



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		Rv1356c		
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53	90	95	116	108

**Supplement Table S2**  
***Essentiality of proteins***

<b>Rv ID</b>	<b>Essentiality</b>
Rv0029	Yes
Rv0030	Yes
Rv0241c	Yes
Rv0257c	Yes
Rv0314c	Yes
Rv0390	Yes
Rv0492c	yes
Rv0499	yes
Rv0558	yes
Rv0636	yes
Rv0740	yes
Rv0756c	yes
Rv0836c	yes
Rv0837c	yes
Rv1116A	yes
Rv1154c	yes
Rv1155	yes
Rv1233c	yes
Rv1291c	yes
Rv1510	yes
Rv1752	yes
Rv1817	Yes
Rv1873	yes
Rv1927	yes
Rv1995	yes
Rv2079	yes
Rv2235	yes
Rv2306A	yes
Rv2616	yes
Rv2633c	yes
Rv2705c	yes
Rv2740	yes
Rv2803c	yes
Rv2811	yes
Rv2990c	yes
Rv3096	yes
Rv3278c	yes
Rv3294c	yes
Rv3403c	yes
Rv3479	yes
Rv3722c	yes
Rv3749c	yes
Rv3755c	yes
Rv3768	yes

**Supplement Table S3**  
***Pfam entries of some proteins***

Rv ID	Pfam ID
Rv0088	<a href="#">PF10604</a> Polyketide_cyc2
Rv0241c	<a href="#">PF01575</a> MaoC_dehydratas
Rv0332	<a href="#">PF07398</a> DUF1503
Rv0499	<a href="#">PF00781</a> DAGK_cat
Rv0558	<a href="#">PF01209</a> Ubie_methyltran
Rv0613c	<a href="#">PF02810</a> SEC-C
Rv0636	<a href="#">PF01575</a> MaoC_dehydratas
Rv0837c	<a href="#">PF09952</a> DUF2186
Rv1045	<a href="#">PF08843</a> DUF1814
Rv1060	<a href="#">PF10604</a> Polyketide_cyc2
Rv1125	<a href="#">PF03007</a> UPF0089
Rv1154c	<a href="#">PF08002</a> DUF1697
Rv1155	<a href="#">PF01243</a> Pyridox_oxidase
Rv1366	<a href="#">PF04607</a> RelA_SpoT
Rv1417	<a href="#">PF10756</a> DUF2581
Rv1419	<a href="#">PF00652</a> Ricin_B_lectin
Rv1443c	<a href="#">PF10604</a> Polyketide_cyc2
Rv1632c	<a href="#">PF04167</a> DUF402
Rv1772	<a href="#">PF03861</a> ANTAR
Rv1927	<a href="#">PF09844</a> DUF2071
Rv1944c	<a href="#">PF02810</a> SEC-C
Rv1955	<a href="#">PF05973</a> Gp49
Rv1989c	<a href="#">PF08808</a> RES
Rv1995	<a href="#">PF01814</a> Hemerythrin
Rv2035	<a href="#">PF08327</a> AHSA1
Rv2074	<a href="#">PF01243</a> Pyridox_oxidase
Rv2079	<a href="#">PF06259</a> DUF1023
Rv2227	<a href="#">PF09859</a> DUF2086
Rv2570	<a href="#">PF04944</a> DUF661
Rv2574	<a href="#">PF10604</a> Polyketide_cyc2
Rv2616	<a href="#">PF09348</a> DUF1990
Rv2633c	<a href="#">PF01814</a> Hemerythrin
Rv2705c	<a href="#">PF06108</a> DUF952
Rv2762c	<a href="#">PF06224</a> DUF1006
Rv2803c	<a href="#">PF08681</a> DUF1778
Rv2826c	<a href="#">PF08843</a> DUF1814
Rv2827c	<a href="#">PF09407</a> DUF2005
Rv2901c	<a href="#">PF10611</a> DUF2469
Rv3091	<a href="#">PF01734</a> Patatin
Rv3479	<a href="#">PF01734</a> Patatin
Rv3657c	<a href="#">PF00482</a> GSPII_F
Rv3718c	<a href="#">PF10604</a> Polyketide_cyc2
Rv3755c	<a href="#">PF06475</a> DUF1089
Rv3780	<a href="#">PF10759</a> DUF2587
Rv1817	<a href="#">PF00890</a> FAD_binding_2
Rv0492c	<a href="#">PF00732</a> GMC_oxred_N <a href="#">PF01266</a> DAO <a href="#">PF05199</a> GMC_oxred_C
Rv1179c	<a href="#">PF04851</a> ResIII
Rv2740	<a href="#">PF07858</a> LEH
Rv3278c	<a href="#">PF03703</a> DUF304
Rv1576c	<a href="#">PF05065</a> Phage_capsid
Rv1291c	<a href="#">PF05305</a> DUF732

<b>Supplement Table</b> <b>S4 Gene Ontology functions</b>		
<b>Rv ID</b>	<b>GO</b>	<b>Functional Class</b>
Rv0123	<u>GO:0045449</u> regulation of transcription	
Rv0241c	<u>GO:0005835</u> fatty acid synthase complex <u>GO:0004312</u> fatty-acid synthase activity  <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity <u>GO:0008152</u> metabolic process <u>GO:0006633</u> fatty acid biosynthetic process	<u>GO:0008150</u> biological_process <u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity <u>GO:0016740</u> transferase activity
Rv0499	<u>GO:0004143</u> diacylglycerol kinase activity <u>GO:0007205</u> activation of protein kinase C activity	<u>GO:0007165</u> signal transduction <u>GO:0016301</u> kinase activity <u>GO:0016772</u> transferase activity, transferring phosphorus-containing groups
Rv0518	<u>GO:0016787</u> hydrolase activity <u>GO:0006629</u> lipid metabolic process	<u>GO:0008150</u> biological_process <u>GO:0016787</u> hydrolase activity
Rv05580c	<u>GO:0008168</u> methyltransferase activity	
Rv0636	<u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity <u>GO:0008152</u> metabolic process	<u>GO:0008150</u> biological_process <u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity <u>GO:0016740</u> transferase activity
Rv0662c	<u>GO:0045449</u> regulation of transcription	
Rv1155	<u>GO:0010181</u> FMN binding	<u>GO:0005488</u> binding
Rv1366	<u>GO:0015969</u> guanosine tetraphosphate metabolic process	<u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process
Rv2035	<u>GO:0006950</u> response to stress	
Rv2074	<u>GO:0010181</u> FMN binding	<u>GO:0005488</u> binding
Rv2075c	<u>GO:0004629</u> phospholipase C activity <u>GO:0008081</u> phosphoric diester hydrolase activity <u>GO:0005488</u> binding  <u>GO:0007242</u> intracellular signaling cascade <u>GO:0006629</u> lipid metabolic process	<u>GO:0007165</u> signal transduction <u>GO:0016787</u> hydrolase activity
Rv2160c	<u>GO:0030528</u> transcription regulator activity <u>GO:0045449</u> regulation of	

	transcription	
Rv2516c	<u>GO:0000166</u> nucleotide binding	
Rv2660c		<u>GO:0003676</u> nucleic acid binding <u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0030528</u> transcription regulator activity
Rv3091	<u>GO:0006629</u> lipid metabolic process <u>GO:0008152</u> metabolic process	<u>GO:0008150</u> biological_process
Rv3096	<u>GO:0003824</u> catalytic activity <u>GO:0043169</u> cation binding <u>GO:0005975</u> carbohydrate metabolic process	
Rv3210c	<u>GO:0003700</u> transcription factor activity <u>GO:0046914</u> transition metal ion binding <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity	<u>GO:0003676</u> nucleic acid binding <u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0030528</u> transcription regulator activity
Rv3479	<u>GO:0006629</u> lipid metabolic process <u>GO:0008152</u> metabolic process	<u>GO:0008150</u> biological_process
Rv3722c	<u>GO:0003824</u> catalytic activity <u>GO:0030170</u> pyridoxal phosphate binding	
Rv1817	<u>GO:0009055</u> electron carrier activity <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity	<u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity
Rv0492c	<u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity <u>GO:0050660</u> FAD binding	<u>GO:0005488</u> binding <u>GO:0009987</u> cellular process <u>GO:0016491</u> oxidoreductase activity
Rv1103c	<u>GO:0045449</u> regulation of transcription	
Rv1179c	<u>GO:0003677</u> DNA binding <u>GO:0016787</u> hydrolase activity <u>GO:0005524</u> ATP binding	<u>GO:0003676</u> nucleic acid binding <u>GO:0004386</u> helicase activity <u>GO:0005488</u> binding



**Table S5**  
***Rvs interactome***

<b>Rv ID</b>	<b>Genes Interact with</b>
Rv 0008c	not found
Rv0093c	not found
Rv0210	not found
Rv0426c	not found
Rv0455c	not found
Rv0900	not found
Rv1111c	not found
Rv1171	not found
Rv1233c	364 proteins
Rv1417	not found
Rv1735c	not found
Rv0633c	Rv0054
Rv1748	not found
Rv1924c	not found
Rv2044c	not found
Rv2197c	2 proteins
Rv2203	5 proteins
Rv2219	not found
Rv2235	not found
Rv2306A	not found
Rv2433c	not found
Rv2452c	not found
Rv2576c	54 proteins
Rv3479	Rv3763
Rv3491	29 proteins
Rv3657c	not found
Rv3831	not found
Rv0314c	112 proteins
Rv1510	not found
Rv2767c	not found
Rv3278c	not found
Rv1291c	7 proteins
Rv0088	3 proteins
Rv0241c	21 proteins
Rv0332	2 proteins
Rv0499	11 proteins
Rv0558	10 proteins
Rv0613c	3 proteins
Rv0636	38 proteins

Rv0837c	3 proteins
Rv1045	12 proteins
Rv1060	not found
Rv1125	not found
Rv1154c	30 proteins
Rv1155	39 proteins
Rv1366	3 proteins
Rv1419	7 proteins
Rv1632c	not found
Rv1772	3 proteins
Rv1927	3 proteins
Rv1944c	3 proteins
Rv1955	7 proteins
Rv1989c	4 proteins
Rv1995	72 proteins
Rv2035	not found
Rv2074	4 proteins
Rv2079	34 proteins
Rv2227	not found
Rv2570	Rv3763
Rv2574	Rv3763
Rv2616	8 proteins
Rv2633c	5 proteins
Rv2705c	Rv3763
Rv2762c	not found
Rv2803c	not found
Rv2826c	not found
Rv2827c	not found
Rv2901c	Rv3763
Rv3091	4 proteins
Rv3718c	47 proteins
Rv3755c	not found
Rv3780	9 proteins
Rv0492c	not found
Rv1179c	3 proteins
Rv2740	4 proteins
Rv3840	not found
Rv0098	9 proteins
Rv0390	3 proteins
Rv1873	3 proteins
Rv0295c	7 proteins
Rv0699	not found
Rv3612c	not found
Rv1961	not found
Rv1890c	8 proteins
Rv0122	3 proteins
Rv0636	not found
Rv2020c	not found
Rv2288	not found
Rv0029	3 proteins
Rv0030	not found
Rv0257c	not found

Rv0756c	not found
Rv0836c	36 proteins
Rv1116A	not found
Rv1752	3 proteins
Rv2990c	not found
Rv3096	not found
Rv3294c	not found
Rv3403c	18 proteins
Rv3722c	11 proteins
Rv3749c	Rv3763
Rv3768	22 proteins
Rv1817	11 proteins
Rv0740	3 proteins
Rv2811	not found
Rv0123	16 proteins
Rv0518	not found
Rv0662c	3 proteins
Rv2075c	3 proteins
Rv2160c	not found
Rv2516c	25 proteins
Rv2660c	not found
Rv3210c	40 proteins
Rv0492c	not found
Rv1103c	not found
Rv0272c	3 proteins
Rv0690c	5 proteins
Rv0743c	Rv2507
Rv1502	3 proteins
Rv3337c	not found
Rv0028	not found
Rv0057	3 proteins
Rv0061	not found
Rv0079	not found
Rv0080	not found
Rv0108c	not found
Rv0193c	15 proteins
Rv0209	3 proteins
Rv0299	not found
Rv0307c	not found
Rv0311	47 proteins
Rv0313	18 proteins
Rv0333	Rv0054
Rv0340	11 proteins
Rv0358	not found
Rv0360c	not found
Rv0381c	4 proteins
Rv0390	not found
Rv0395	not found
Rv0471c	4 proteins
Rv0424c	3 proteins
Rv0660c	not found
Rv0612	not found
Rv0616c	not found
Rv0689c	not found
Rv0787	86 proteins
Rv0789c	7 proteins
Rv0810c	not found
Rv0898c	908 proteins
Rv0909	365 proteins
Rv0942	not found
Rv0979c	not found
Rv1006	8 proteins
Rv1012	Rv2507

Rv1046c	13 proteins
Rv1048c	8 proteins
Rv1052	75 proteins
Rv1053c	5 proteins
Rv1109c	4 proteins
Rv1118c	not found
Rv1119c	not found
Rv1134	100 proteins
Rv1137c	6 proteins
Rv1203c	not found
Rv1265	3 proteins
Rv1289	3 proteins
Rv1351	not found
Rv1374c	not found
Rv1434	not found
Rv1439c	not found
Rv1443c	3 proteins
Rv1444c	62 proteins
Rv1499	4 proteins
Rv1545	not found
Rv1693	not found
Rv1724c	16 proteins
Rv1742	3 proteins
Rv1762c	18 proteins
Rv1778c	3 proteins
Rv1805c	not found
Rv1831	3 proteins
Rv1907c	not found
Rv1914c	not found
Rv1947	25 proteins
Rv1948c	37 proteins
Rv1954c	3 proteins
Rv1958c	3 proteins
Rv1975	284 proteins
Rv2000	7 proteins
Rv2016	4 proteins
Rv2019	not found
Rv2023c	not found
Rv2049c	not found
Rv2076c	not found
Rv2078	2 proteins
Rv2084	not found
Rv2189c	not found
Rv2255c	2 proteins
Rv2269c	not found
Rv2271	not found
Rv2275	29 proteins
Rv2283	53 proteins
Rv2288	not found
Rv2297	11 proteins
Rv2304c	not found
Rv2311	not found
Rv2312	Rv2507
Rv2313c	26 proteins
Rv2331A	not found
Rv2336	78 proteins
Rv2337c	2 proteins
Rv2342	not found
Rv2348c	3 proteins
Rv2369c	not found
Rv2401	not found
Rv2418c	6 proteins
Rv2422	not found

Rv2432c	Rv2507
Rv2468c	
Rv2472	not found
Rv2474c	2 proteins
Rv2481c	238 roteins
Rv2517c	not found
Rv2561	not found
Rv2562	not found
Rv2598	not found
Rv2628	not found
Rv2629	9 proteins
Rv2630	131 proteins
Rv2635	not found
Rv2644c	not found
Rv2645	not found
Rv2661c	not found
Rv2662	323 roteins
Rv2663	5 proteins
Rv2664	3 proteins
Rv2706c	not found
Rv2722	not found
Rv2730	60 proteins
Rv2735c	Rv3763
Rv2774c	Rv3763
Rv2804c	2 proteins
Rv2809	Rv0054
Rv2826c	not found
Rv2960c	2 proteins
Rv3033	46 proteins
Rv3047c	4 proteins
Rv3098c	not found
Rv3099c	10 proteins
Rv3108	not found
Rv3123	not found

Rv3126c	27 proteins
Rv3142c	3 proteins
Rv3172c	Rv3763
Rv3190c	2 proteins
Rv3243c	8 proteins
Rv3259	2 proteins
Rv3378c	4 proteins
Rv3424c	not found
Rv3489	not found
Rv3527	2 proteins
Rv3528c	Rv3763
Rv3572	282 proteins
Rv3599c	not found
Rv3613c	not found
Rv3642c	not found
Rv3643	not found
Rv3651	6 proteins
Rv3654c	not found
Rv3662c	not found
Rv3705c	13 proteins
Rv3753c	57 proteins
Rv3766	205 proteins
Rv3819	not found
Rv3839	not found
Rv3845	not found
Rv3847	11 proteins
Rv3850	not found
Rv3861	not found
Rv1424c	10 proteins
Rv2274c	not found
Rv1576c	not found
Rv2513	29 proteins

<b>Supplement Table S6</b>			
<b><i>Categorization of some hypothetical proteins among different COGs</i></b>			
<b>TubercuList ID</b>	<b>TDR ID</b>	<b>Functional Description</b>	<b>Orthologous group</b>
Rv0241c	7249	Probable 3-Hydroxyacyl-Thioester Dehydratase Htdx	<a href="#">OG4_53689</a>
Rv0272c	7265	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_89725</a>
Rv0390	7344	Conserved Hypothetical	<a href="#">OG4_49855</a>
Rv0499	7406	Conserved Hypothetical	<a href="#">OG4_13082</a>
Rv0558	6449	PROBABLE UBIQUINONE/MENAQUINONE BIOSYNTHESIS METHYLTRANSFERASE MENH (2-Heptaprenyl-1,4-Naphthoquinone Methyltransferase)	<a href="#">OG4_10696</a>
Rv0636	7495	(3r)-Hydroxyacyl-Acp Dehydratase Subunit Hadb	<a href="#">OG4_14471</a>
Rv0690c	7522	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_71206</a>
Rv0743c	7541	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113959</a>
Rv0756c	7551	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_83843</a>
Rv0836c	7600	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113963</a>
Rv0837c	7601	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113964</a>
Rv1111c	7754	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_17718</a>
Rv1116A	7760	Conserved Hypothetical Protein (Fragment)	<a href="#">OG4_15389</a>
Rv1154c	7785	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_30558</a>
Rv1155	7786	Possible Pyridoxamine 5'-Phosphate Oxidase (Pnp/Pmp Oxidase) (Pyridoxinephosphate Oxidase) (Pnpox) (Pyridoxine 5'-Phosphate Oxid	<a href="#">OG4_83845</a>
Rv1233c	7827	Conserved Hypothetical Membrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_11008</a>
Rv1502	7977	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113981</a>
Rv1735c	8109	Hypothetical Membrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_13946</a>
Rv1752	8120	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_11530</a>
Rv1873	8191	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_78781</a>
Rv1927	8223	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_63041</a>
Rv1995	8271	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_39793</a>
Rv2075c	8327	Possible Hypothetical Exported Or Envelope Protein	<a href="#">OG4_35068</a>
Rv2079	8332	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_42701</a>
Rv2227	8416	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_60147</a>
Rv2235	8421	Probable Conserved Transmembrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_12804</a>
Rv2306A	8471	Possible Conserved Membrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_49877</a>
Rv2616	8642	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_27623</a>
Rv2633c	8658	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_44079</a>
Rv2705c	8712	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_21474</a>
Rv2803c	8775	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_54642</a>
Rv2990c	8876	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_83862</a>
Rv3096	8935	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_14476</a>
Rv3294c	9051	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_37894</a>
Rv3378c	9044	Probable Conserved Tansmembrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_100228</a>
Rv3403c	9110	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_33814</a>
Rv3479	9147	Possible Tansmembrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_94776</a>
Rv3722c	9736	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_103827</a>
Rv3749c	9757	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_71286</a>
Rv3755c	9762	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_52096</a>
Rv3768	9767	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_111106</a>
Rv1817	8159	Possible Flavoprotein	<a href="#">OG4_40127</a>
Rv0029	7117	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_59409</a>
Rv0314c	7295	Possible Conserved Membrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_83838</a>
Rv0492c	7399	Probable Oxidoreductase	<a href="#">OG4_16996</a>

Rv0740	7541	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113959</a>
Rv1510	7987	Conserved Probable Membrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_113982</a>
Rv2740	8738	Epoxide Hydrolase	<a href="#">OG4_83860</a>
Rv3278c	9044	Probable Conserved Transmembrane Protein	<a href="#">OG4_100228</a>
Rv1576c	8021	Probable Phirv1 Phage Protein	<a href="#">OG4_30549</a>
Rv1576c	8579	Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_30549</a>
Rv3840	9816	Possible Transcriptional Regulatory Protein	<a href="#">OG4_104178</a>
Rv1291c	7862	Conserved Hypothetical Secreted Protein	<a href="#">OG4_42702</a>
Rv2811	8783	Conserved Hypothetical Protein	<a href="#">OG4_83859</a>