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Software for orchestrating high-throughput biological data analysis

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Opinion: Reproducible research can still be wrong: Adopting a prevention approach

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Reproducibility—the ability to recompute results—and replicability—the chances other experimenters will achieve a consistent result—are two foundational characteristics of successful scientific research. Consistent findings from independent investigators are the primary means by which scientific evidence accumulates for or against a hy-

been some very public failings of reproducibility across a range of disciplines from cancer genomics (3) to economics (4), and the data for many publications have not been made publicly available, raising doubts about the quality of data analyses. Popular press articles have raised questions about the reproducibility of all scientific research (5),

computational tools such as knitr, iPython notebook, LONI, and Galaxy (8) have simplified the process of distributing reproducible data analyses.

Unfortunately, the mere reproducibility of computational results is insufficient to address the replication crisis because even a reproducible analysis can suffer from many problems—confounding from omitted variables, poor study design, missing data—that threaten the validity and useful interpretation of the results. Although improving the reproducibility of research may increase the rate

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Reproducibility, the ability to recompute results, and replicability, the chances other experimenters will achieve a consistent result, are two foundational characteristics of successful scientific research...of late there has been a crisis of confidence among researchers worried about the rate at which studies are either reproducible or replicable. In order to maintain the integrity of science research and maintain the public's trust in science, the scientific community must ensure reproducibility and replicability by engaging in a more preventative approach that greatly expands data analysis education and routinely employs software tools.

Bioconductor is a large, NIH-funded open source software community dedicated to the analysis and comprehension of high throughput biological data.

Bioconductor by the numbers

- Project started in 2002
- Built on and in R, the open source software platform for data science
 - An estimated 2,000,000 users worldwide
 - 14,376 contributed software libraries (like plugins)
 - Runs on laptops to the largest computer systems in the world
- More than 50,000 unique downloads per month
- More than 22,000 PubMedCentral citations
- Bioconductor Release: more than 2000 individual, biomedical and 'omic data science software packages
- Receiving submissions of 3-6 new packages *per week*
- Hundreds of active developers

Capabilities

Bioconductor supports all phases of the biomedical data science workflow

- Specialized data import and export
- Data management leveraging FAIR data principles
- Data integration and interpretation, including access to millions of “public” datasets
- Context-specific analysis and statistics
- Visualization and publication-quality plotting
- Efficiency and reproducibility (human in the loop), even at scale
- Reproducible, literate reporting

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Bioconductor version 3.6 (Release)

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| a4 | Tobias Verbeke, Willem Ligtenberg | Automated Affymetrix Array Analysis Umbrella Package |
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| a4Classif | Tobias Verbeke, Willem Ligtenberg | Automated Affymetrix Array Analysis Classification Package |
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| a4Preproc | Tobias Verbeke, Willem Ligtenberg | Automated Affymetrix Array Analysis Preprocessing Package |
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| ABAEnrichment | Steffi Grote | Gene expression enrichment in human brain regions |
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GEOquery

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DOI: [10.18129/B9.bioc.GEOquery](https://doi.org/10.18129/B9.bioc.GEOquery)  

Get data from NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO)

Bioconductor version: Release (3.6)

The NCBI Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) is a public repository of microarray data. Given the rich and varied nature of this resource, it is only natural to want to apply BioConductor tools to these data. GEOquery is the bridge between GEO and BioConductor.

Author: Sean Davis <sdavis2 at mail.nih.gov>

Maintainer: Sean Davis <sdavis2 at mail.nih.gov>

Citation (from within R, enter `citation("GEOquery")`):

Davis S and Meltzer P (2007). "GEOquery: a bridge between the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) and BioConductor." *Bioinformatics*, **14**, pp. 1846–1847.

Installation

To install this package, start R and enter:

```
## try http:// if https:// URLs are not supported  
source("https://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")  
biocLite("GEOquery")
```

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Multiple platform build/check report for BioC 3.7

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| Hostname | OS | Arch (*) | Platform label (**) | R version | Installed pkgs |
|----------|---------------------------------|----------|------------------------------|--|----------------|
| malbec2 | Linux (Ubuntu 16.04.1 LTS) | x86_64 | x86_64-linux-gnu | 3.5.0 RC (2018-04-16 r74618) -- "Joy in Playing" | 3215 |
| tokay2 | Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard | x64 | mingw32 / x86_64-w64-mingw32 | 3.5.0 RC (2018-04-16 r74618) -- "Joy in Playing" | 3028 |
| merida2 | OS X 10.11.6 El Capitan | x86_64 | x86_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 | 3.5.0 RC (2018-04-16 r74612) -- "Joy in Playing" | 3057 |

Click on any hostname to see more info about the system (e.g. compilers) (*) as reported by 'uname -p', except on Windows and Mac OS X (**) as reported by 'gcc -v'

Package status is indicated by one of the following glyphs

- TIMEOUT** INSTALL, BUILD, CHECK or BUILD BIN of package took more than 40 minutes
- ERROR** INSTALL, BUILD or BUILD BIN of package failed, or CHECK produced errors
- WARNINGS** CHECK of package produced warnings
- OK** INSTALL, BUILD, CHECK or BUILD BIN of package was OK
- NotNeeded** INSTALL of package was not needed (click on glyph to see why)
- skipped** CHECK or BUILD BIN of package was skipped because the BUILD step failed
- NA** BUILD, CHECK or BUILD BIN result is not available because of an anomaly in the Build System

Click on any glyph in the report below to access the detailed results.

Package propagation status is indicated by one of the LEDs

- YES: Package was propagated because it didn't pre-emptively bump version
- NO: Package was not propagated because of a problem (impossible dependencies, or version lower than what was propagated)
- UNNEEDED: Package was not propagated because the repository with this version. A version bump is required to propagate it

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| SUMMARY | OS / Arch | INSTALL | BUILD | CHECK | BUILD BIN |
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| tokay2 | Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard / x64 | 0 7 1518 0 | 2 28 1495 4 20 385 1086 0 0 1495 | | |
| merida2 | OS X 10.11.6 El Capitan / x86_64 | 0 9 1537 0 | 2 29 1515 2 6 233 1274 0 0 1515 | | |

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Package 1/1554

a4 1.27.0
Tobias Verbeke
Last Commit: 5266e2b
Last Changed Date: 2017-10-30 12:52:11 -0400

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a4Base 1.27.0
Tobias Verbeke
Last Commit: 72d568e
Last Changed Date: 2017-10-30 12:52:11 -0400

| Hostname | OS / Arch | INSTALL | BUILD | CHECK | BUILD BIN |
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| merida2 | OS X 10.11.6 El Capitan / x86_64 | OK | OK | OK | OK |
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The GenomicDataCommons Package

Sean Davis & Martin Morgan

Monday, October 30, 2017

Abstract

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) has established the [Genomic Data Commons](#) (GDC). The GDC provides the cancer research community with an open and unified repository for sharing and accessing data across numerous cancer studies and projects via a high-performance data transfer and query infrastructure. The *GenomicDataCommons* Bioconductor package provides basic infrastructure for querying, accessing, and mining genomic datasets available from the GDC. We expect that the Bioconductor developer and the larger bioinformatics communities will build on the *GenomicDataCommons* package to add higher-level functionality and expose cancer genomics data to the plethora of state-of-the-art bioinformatics methods available in Bioconductor.

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The screenshot shows the Bioconductor website interface. At the top, there are navigation links: "My: messages • votes • posts • tags • following • bookmarks" and a user profile "Sean Davis • 21k". Below this is the Bioconductor logo and the tagline "OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE FOR BIOINFORMATICS". There are also navigation buttons for "ASK QUESTION", "LATEST 6", "NEWS", "JOBS", "TUTORIALS", "TAGS", and "USER".

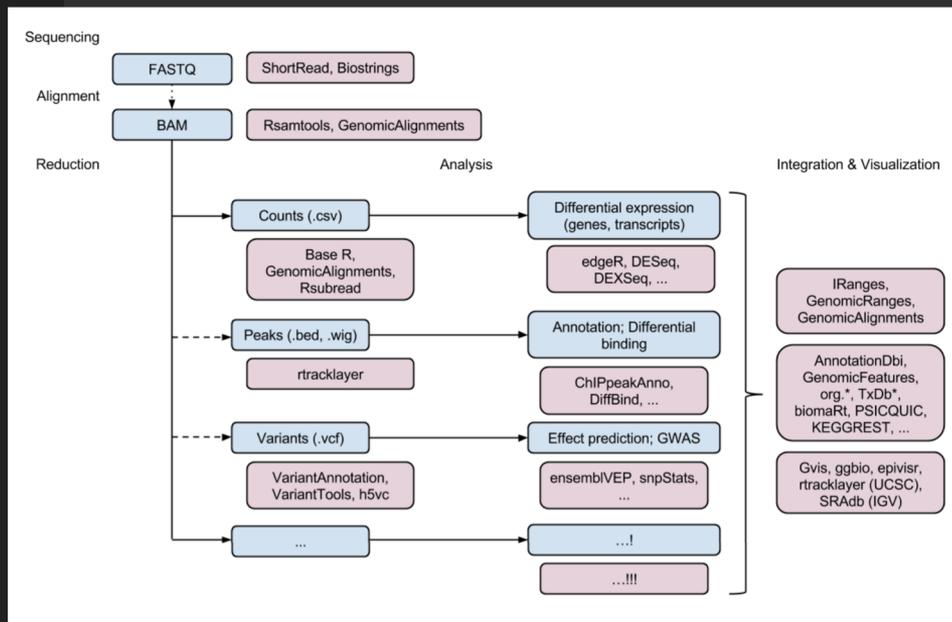
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- No CNAs or SNVs in results**: 0 votes, 1 answer, 35 views. Tag: purecn. Written 21 hours ago by twtoal • 0.
- monocle estimateSizeFactors give Inf for all values**: 0 votes, 0 answers, 8 views. Tag: rnaseq. Written 1 hour ago by jonesara770 • 10.
- Row clustering featureAlignedHeatmap function (ChipPeakAnno package)**: 0 votes, 1 answer, 14 views. Tags: chippeakanno, heatmap. Written 2 hours ago by gdeniz • 0 • updated 2 hours ago by Ou, Jianhong • 1.0k.
- Metabolite identification package**: 0 votes, 0 answers, 7 views. Tags: metabolomics, xcms, massspectrometry. Written 2 hours ago by johnhamre3 • 0.
- LaTeX Error with BiocWorkflowTools**: 1 vote, 1 answer, 10 views. Tag: biocworkflowtools. Written 3 hours ago by shbrief • 10 • updated 2 hours ago by Mike Smith • 2.6k.
- msa output formats for use down stream to create phylogenetic trees**: 0 votes, 0 answers, 6 views. Tags: R, bioconductor, phylogenetic. Written 2 hours ago by cav3gh • 0.
- Results counts post DESeq same raw counts**: 0 votes, 1 answer, 40 views. Tags: dese2, results. Written 13 hours ago by A • 0 • updated 3 hours ago by Michael Love • 17k.
- Problem installing Minfi on Cluster**: 0 votes, 1 answer, 14 views. Tags: minfi, centos, local installation, hpc. Written 5 hours ago by Goku • 0 • updated 5 hours ago by Kasper Daniel Hansen • 6.3k.
- Compare groups of different RNAseq sets**: 0 votes, 1 answer, 27 views. Tags: limma, batch effect. Written 7 hours ago by b.nota • 290 • updated 5 hours ago by Aaron Lun • 19k.

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BiocParallel

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build **timeout**

DOI: [10.18129/B9.bioc.BiocParallel](https://doi.org/10.18129/B9.bioc.BiocParallel)  

Bioconductor facilities for parallel evaluation

Bioconductor version: Release (3.6)

This package provides modified versions and novel implementation of functions for parallel evaluation, tailored to use with Bioconductor objects.

Author: Bioconductor Package Maintainer [cre], Martin Morgan [aut], Valerie Obenchain [aut], Michel Lang [aut], Ryan Thompson [aut]

Maintainer: Bioconductor Package Maintainer <maintainer at bioconductor.org>

Citation (from within R, enter `citation("BiocParallel")`):

Morgan M, Obenchain V, Lang M and Thompson R (2017). *BiocParallel: Bioconductor facilities for parallel evaluation*. R package version 1.12.0, <https://github.com/Bioconductor/BiocParallel>.

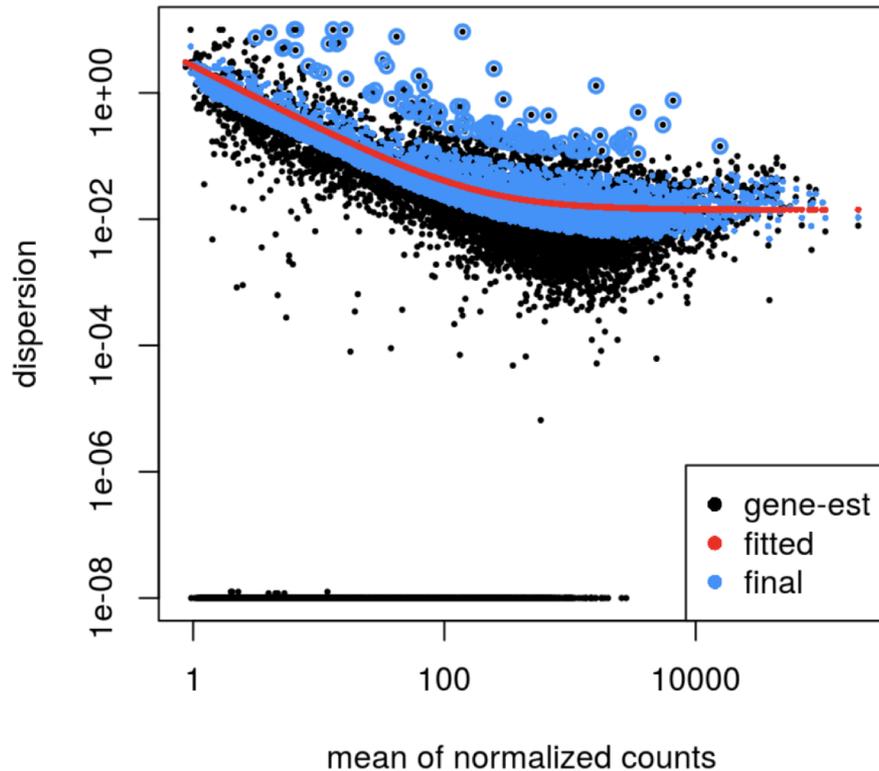
Installation

To install this package, start R and enter:

```
## try http:// if https:// URLs are not supported
source("https://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
biocLite("BiocParallel")
```

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The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for Bioconductor. The page title is "Bioconductor / Contributions". The repository has 45 commits, 1 branch, and 0 releases. The current branch is "master". There are buttons for "New pull request", "Create new file", and "Upload files". A commit by "mtmorgan" is highlighted, with the message "add instructions to confirm web hook on creation". Below the commit list, there is a "Table of Contents" section with the following links:

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Introduction

Bioconductor Packages should

- Address areas of high-throughput genomic analysis where Bioconductor already makes significant contributions, e.g., sequencing, expression and other microarrays, flow cytometry, mass spectrometry, image analysis; see [biocViews](#).
- Interoperate with other Bioconductor packages, re-using common data structures ([S4 classes and methods](#)) and existing infrastructure (e.g., `rtracklayer::import()` for input of common genomic files).
- Adopt software best practices that enable reproducible research and use, such as full documentation and vignettes (including fully evaluated code) as well as commitment to long-term user support through the Bioconductor [support site](#).

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Core value: open and engaged



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Qtizer **2. review in progress** **OK**

#1203 opened 7 hours ago by matmu 8 of 8



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Spaniel **2. review in progress**

#1202 opened 4 days ago by RachelQueen1 8 of 8



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muscat **2. review in progress** **ERROR** **WARNINGS**

#1201 opened 6 days ago by HelenaLC 8 of 8



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ribor **2. review in progress** **ERROR** **VERSION BUMP REQUIRED**

#1200 opened 10 days ago by mjgeng 8 of 8



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ssPATHS **2. review in progress** **OK**

#1194 opened 17 days ago by nrosed

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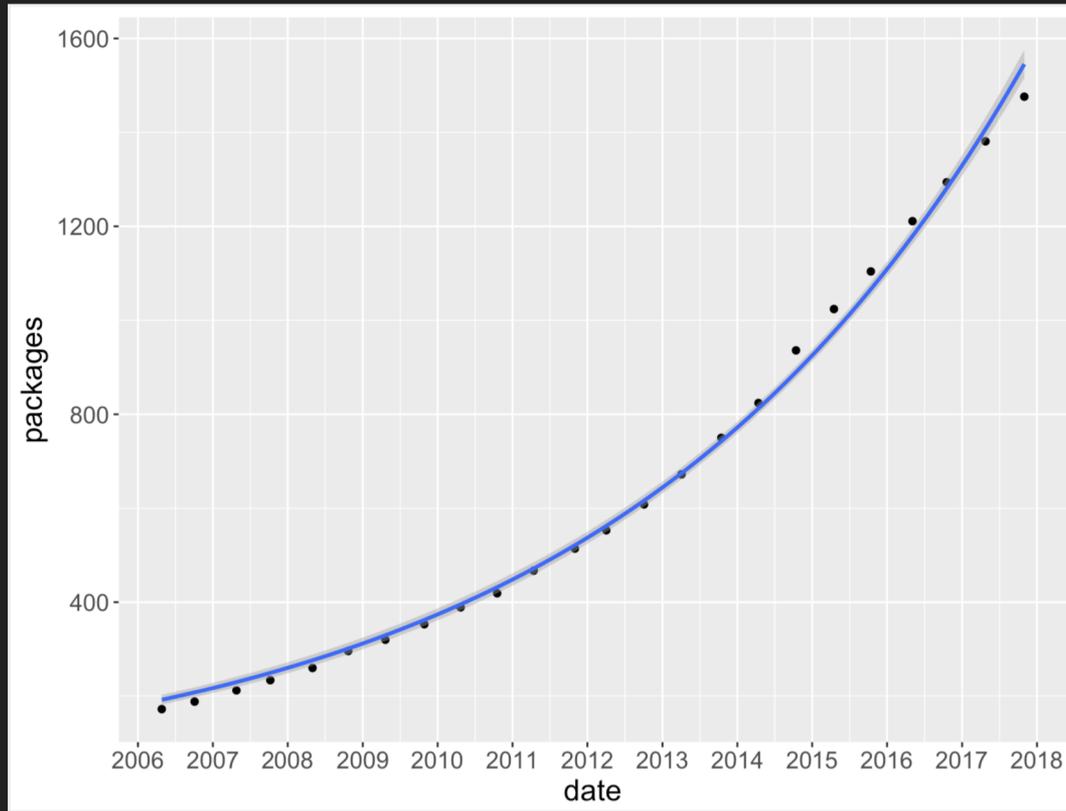
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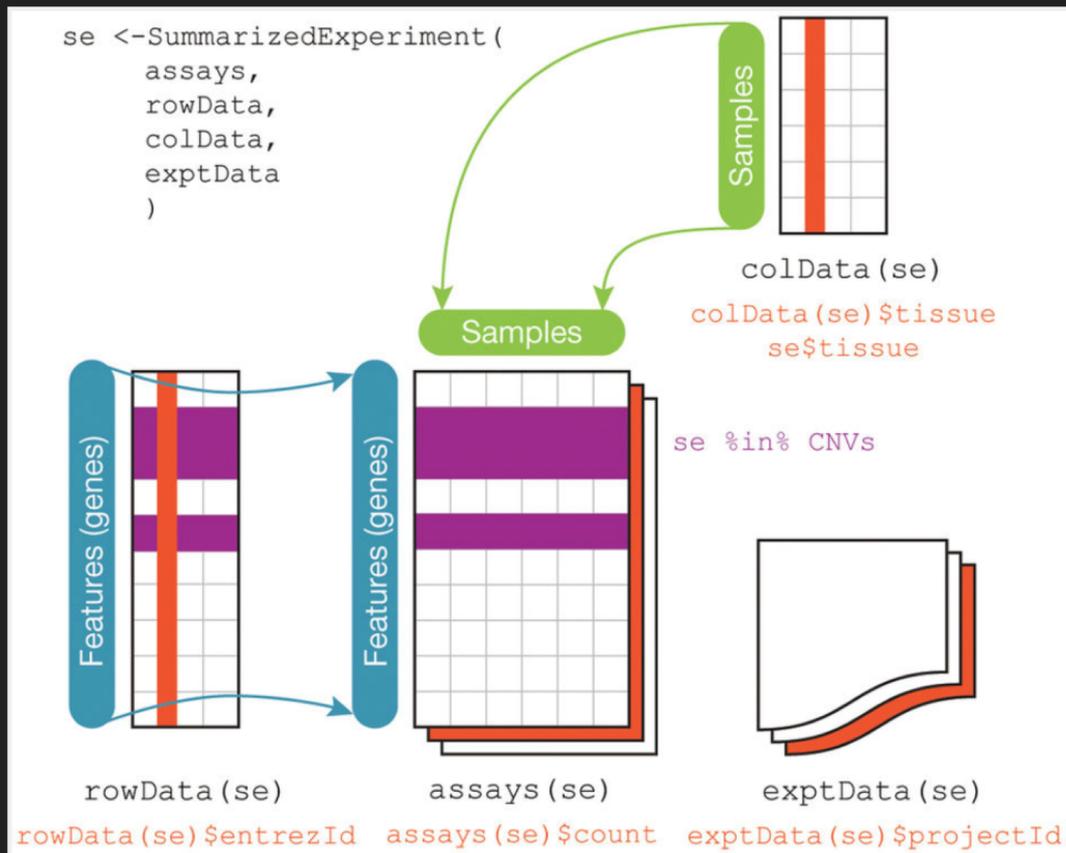
<https://github.com/Bioconductor/Contributions>

Bioconductor Contributions



Core Value: Reproducible research

- Recognize complexity in high-throughput biological data
- Version control everything
- Continuous testing and integration
- Text-based workflow (no GUI)
- Literate programming approaches and documentation
- Education on tooling
- Numerous mechanisms for FAIR data sharing



Not just analysis packages

- AnnotationHub: More than 30,000 curated public reference datasets
 - ENCODE
 - UCSC tracks
 - Organism databases for dozens of species
- ExperimentHub: User-submitted, curated data, code, documentation
 - CuratedTCGAData
 - CuratedMetagenomicsData
- Microarray annotation resources (more than 100 platforms, standardized)
- API access to dozens of cancer and biological databases

For free: versioning, information provenance, FAIR, marketing, interoperability across the project

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Selected rows: AH14107 AH14109

Return rows to R session

Show 10 entries

| idx | dataprovder | species | genome | description | tags | rdataclass | sourcetype |
|---------|-------------|--------------|--------|--|--|------------|------------|
| AH14107 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg38 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg38 to canFam3 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14108 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg38 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg38 to hg19 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14109 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg38 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg38 to mm10 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14110 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg38 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg38 to monDom5 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
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| AH14113 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg38 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg38 to rn5 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14114 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg19 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg19 to allMe1 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14115 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg19 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg19 to allMis1 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |
| AH14116 | UCSC | Homo sapiens | hg19 | UCSC lftOver chain file from hg19 to anoCar1 | lftOver, chain, UCSC, genome, homology | ChainFile | Chain |

Showing 1 to 10 of 1,113 entries (filtered from 19,268 total entries)

AnnotationHub

```
dm <- query(ah, c("ChainFile", "UCSC", "Drosophila melanogaster"))
dm
```

```
## AnnotationHub with 45 records
## # snapshotDate(): 2019-05-20
## # $dataprovder: UCSC
## # $species: Drosophila melanogaster
## # $rdataclass: ChainFile
## # additional mcols(): taxonomyid, genome, description,
## # coordinate_1_based, maintainer, rdatadateadded, preparerclass,
## # tags, rdatapath, sourceurl, sourcetype
## # retrieve records with, e.g., 'object[["AH15102"]]'
##
##           title
## AH15102 | dm3ToAnoGam1.over.chain.gz
## AH15103 | dm3ToApiMel3.over.chain.gz
## AH15104 | dm3ToDm2.over.chain.gz
## AH15105 | dm3ToDm6.over.chain.gz
## AH15106 | dm3ToDp3.over.chain.gz
## ...
## AH15142 | dm2ToDroVir3.over.chain.gz
## AH15143 | dm2ToDroWill.over.chain.gz
## AH15144 | dm2ToDroYak1.over.chain.gz
## AH15145 | dm2ToDroYak2.over.chain.gz
## AH15146 | dm1ToDm2.over.chain.gz
```

```
## DataFrame with 6 rows and 5 columns
##           title dataprovder           species
##           <character> <character>         <character>
## AH15102 dm3ToAnoGam1.over.chain.gz      UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
## AH15103 dm3ToApiMel3.over.chain.gz      UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
## AH15104 dm3ToDm2.over.chain.gz          UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
## AH15105 dm3ToDm6.over.chain.gz          UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
## AH15106 dm3ToDp3.over.chain.gz          UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
## AH15107 dm3ToDp4.over.chain.gz          UCSC Drosophila melanogaster
##           taxonomyid  genome
##           <integer> <character>
## AH15102           7227      dm3
## AH15103           7227      dm3
## AH15104           7227      dm3
## AH15105           7227      dm3
## AH15106           7227      dm3
## AH15107           7227      dm3
```

eh

```
## ExperimentHub with 2223 records
## # snapshotDate(): 2019-04-29
## # $dataproducer: Eli and Edythe L. Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT, NA...
## # $species: Homo sapiens, Mus musculus, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, human g...
## # $rdaclass: ExpressionSet, SummarizedExperiment, SummarizedBenchmark, ...
## # additional mcols(): taxonomyid, genome, description
## # coordinate_1_based, maintainer
## # tags, rdatapath, sourceurl,
## # retrieve records with, e.g.,
##
##      title
## EH1    | RNA-Sequencing and cl
## EH166  | ERR188297
## EH167  | ERR188088
## EH168  | ERR188204
## EH169  | ERR188317
## ...    | ...
## EH2539 | LAML_GISTIC_Peaks-201
## EH2540 | LAML_GISTIC_Threshol
## EH2541 | SKCM_GISTIC_AllByGene
## EH2542 | SKCM_GISTIC_Peaks-201
## EH2543 | SKCM_GISTIC_Threshol
```

```
head(unique(eh$dataproducer))
```

```
## [1] "GEO"
## [2] "GEUVADIS"
## [3] "Allen Brain Atlas"
## [4] "ArrayExpress"
## [5] "Department of Psychology, Abdul Haq Campus, Federal Urdu University for
Arts, Science and Technology, Karachi, Pakistan. shahiq_psy@yahoo.com"
## [6] "Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Chalmers University
of Technology, SE-412 96 Gothenburg, Sweden."
```

In the same way, you can also see data from different species inside the hub by looking at the contents of species like this:

```
head(unique(eh$species))
```

```
## [1] "Homo sapiens"           "Mus musculus"
## [3] "Mus musculus (E18 mice)" NA
## [5] "Rattus norvegicus"      "human gut metagenome"
```

ExperimentHub

Creating An ExperimentHub Package

Valerie Obenchain and Lori Shepherd

Modified: November 2017. Compiled: 02 May 2019

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4.1 Update the resource

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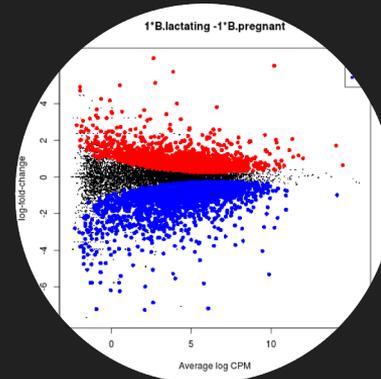
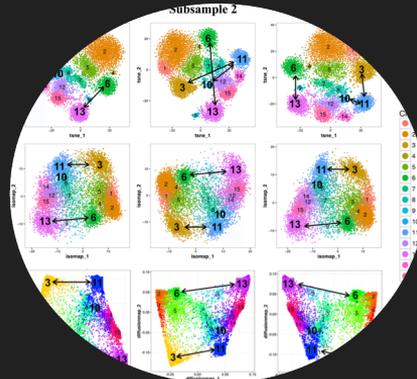
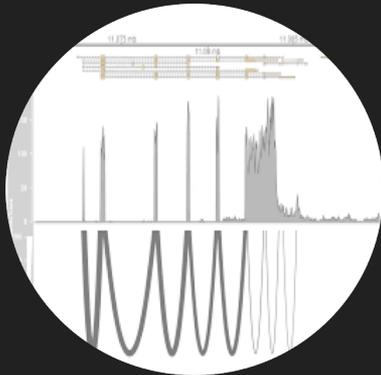
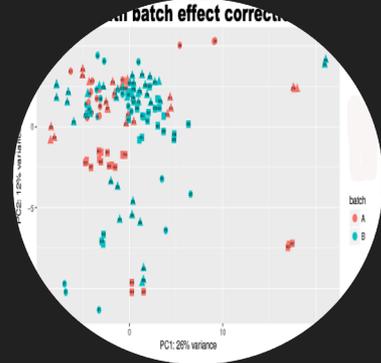
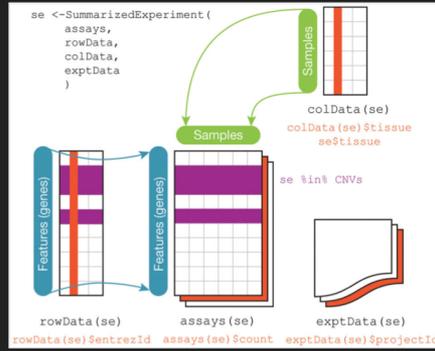
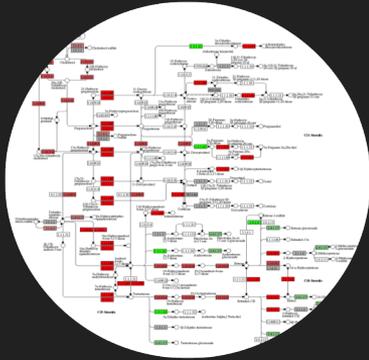
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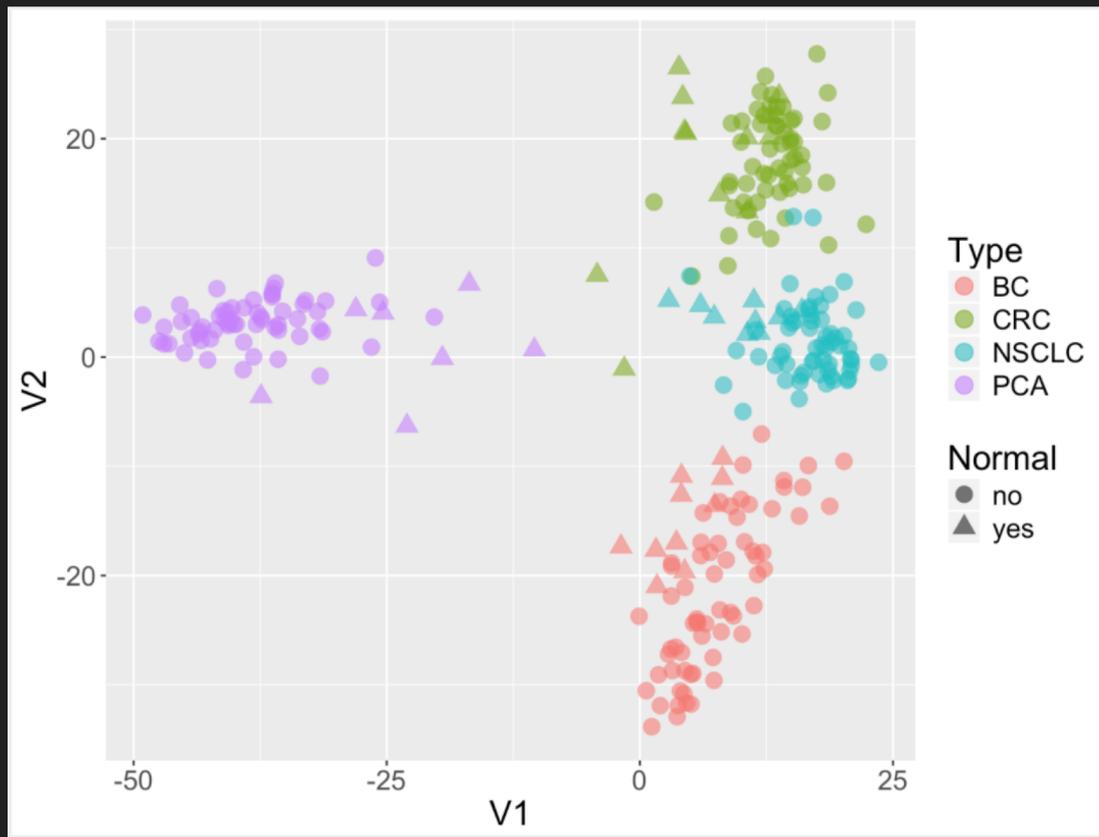
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8 Example metadata.csv file and more information

Core value: reuse and interoperability





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Filter gene expression by variance to find most informative genes.

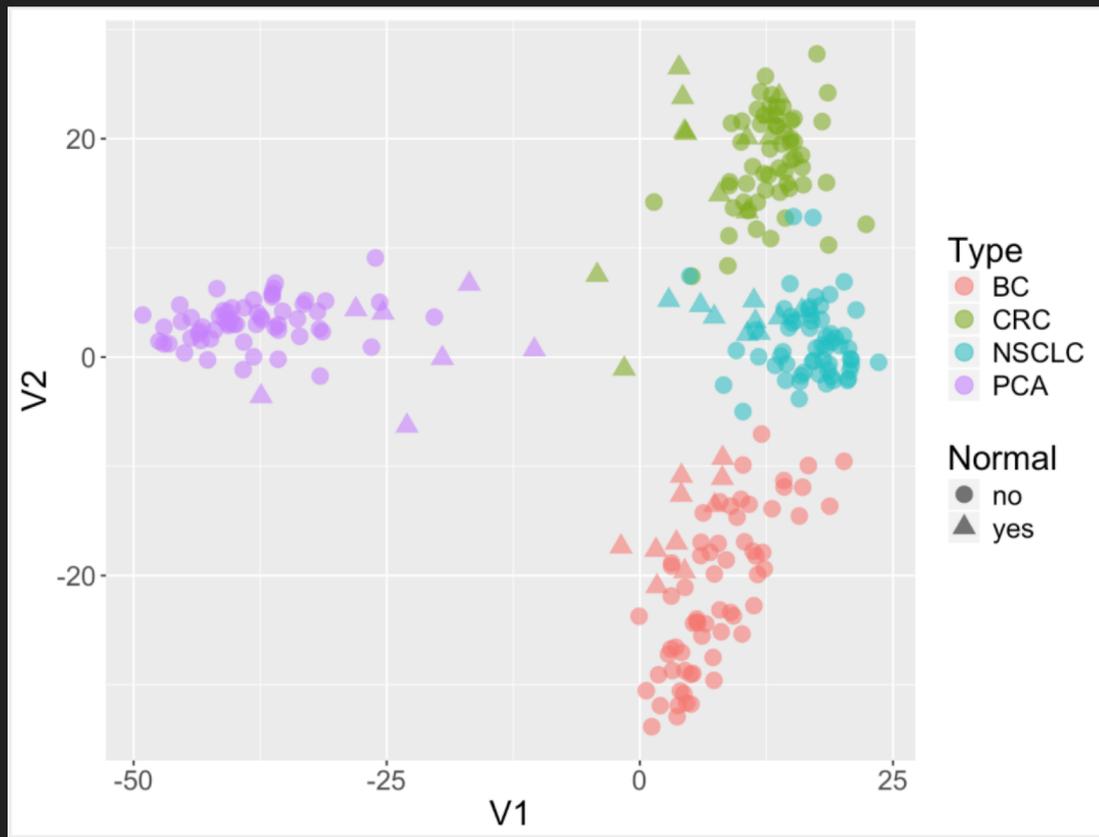
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sds = apply(exprs(gse), 1, sd)
dat = exprs(gse)[order(sds, decreasing = TRUE)[1:500],]
```

Perform **multidimensional scaling** and prepare for plotting.

```
mdsvals = cmdscale(dist(t(dat)))
mdsvals = as.data.frame(mdsvals)
mdsvals$Type = factor(pData(gse)[, 'cancer type:ch1'])
mdsvals$Normal = factor(pData(gse)[, 'normal:ch1'])
```

And do the plot.

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(mdsvals, aes(x=V1, y=V2, shape=Normal, color=Type)) +
  geom_point(size=4, alpha=0.6) + theme(text=element_text(size = 18))
```



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68

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86,962

FILES

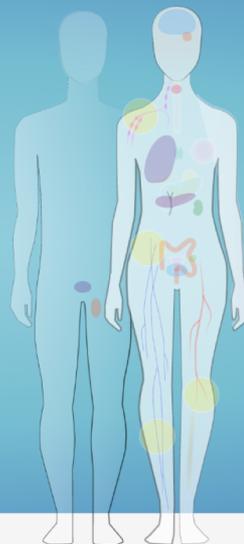
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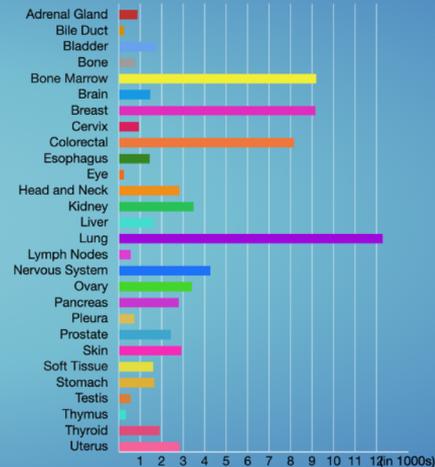
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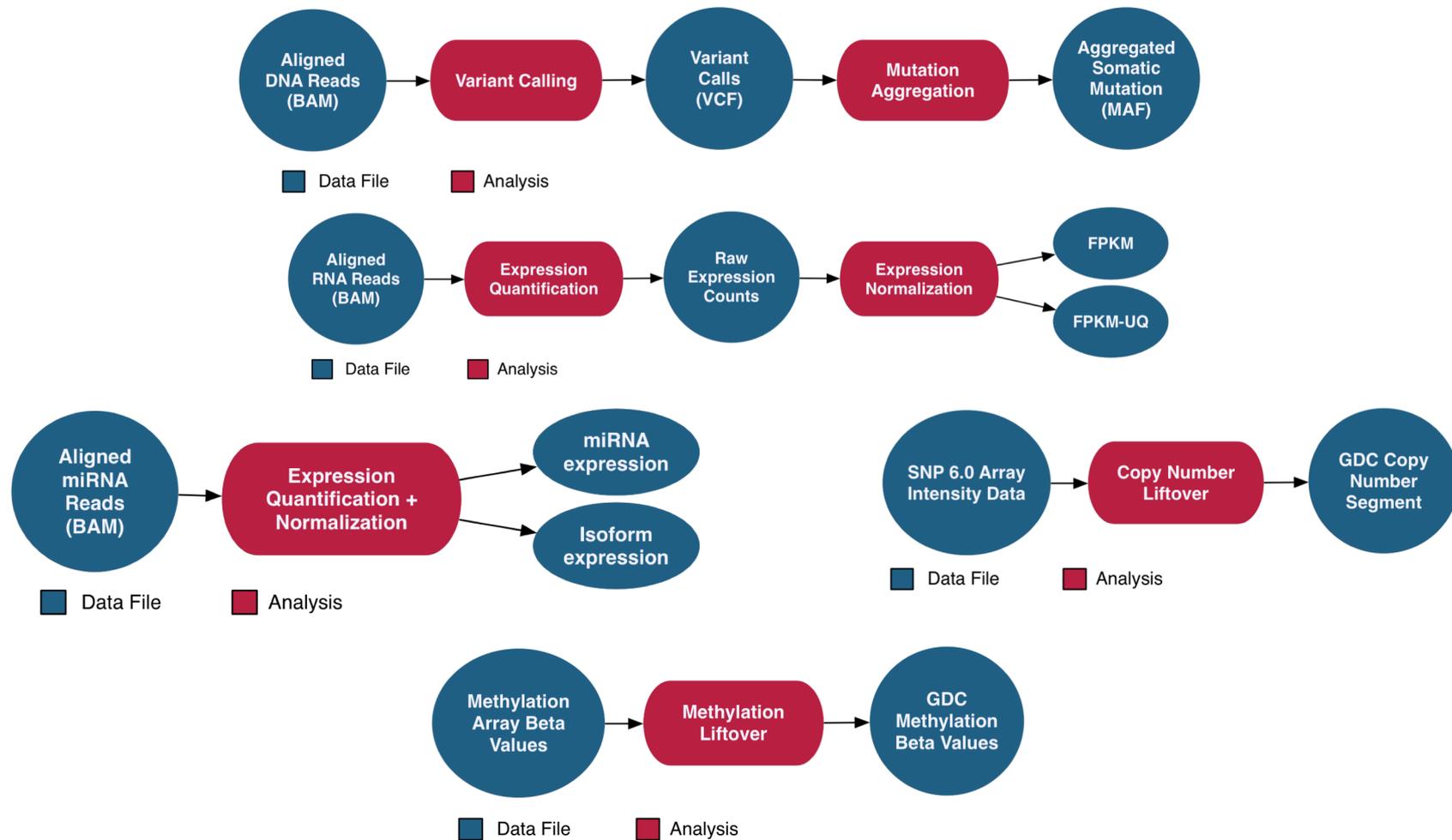
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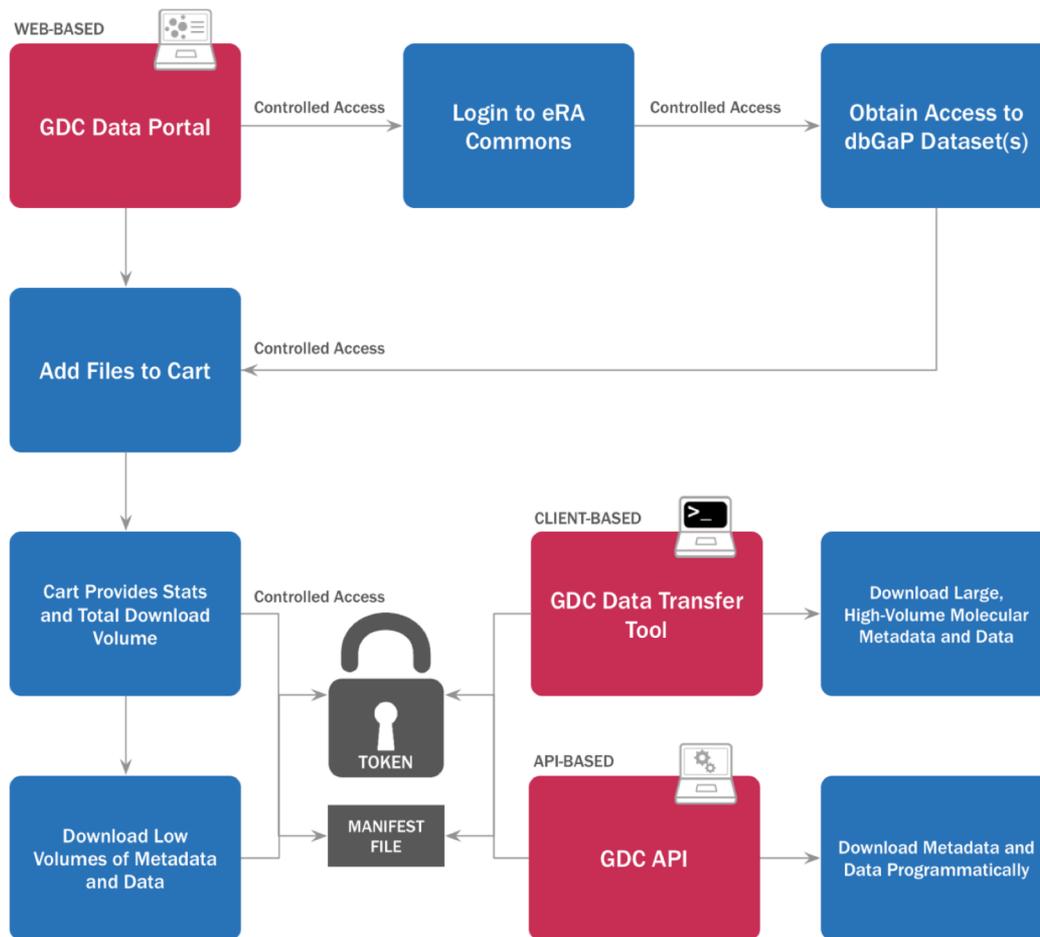


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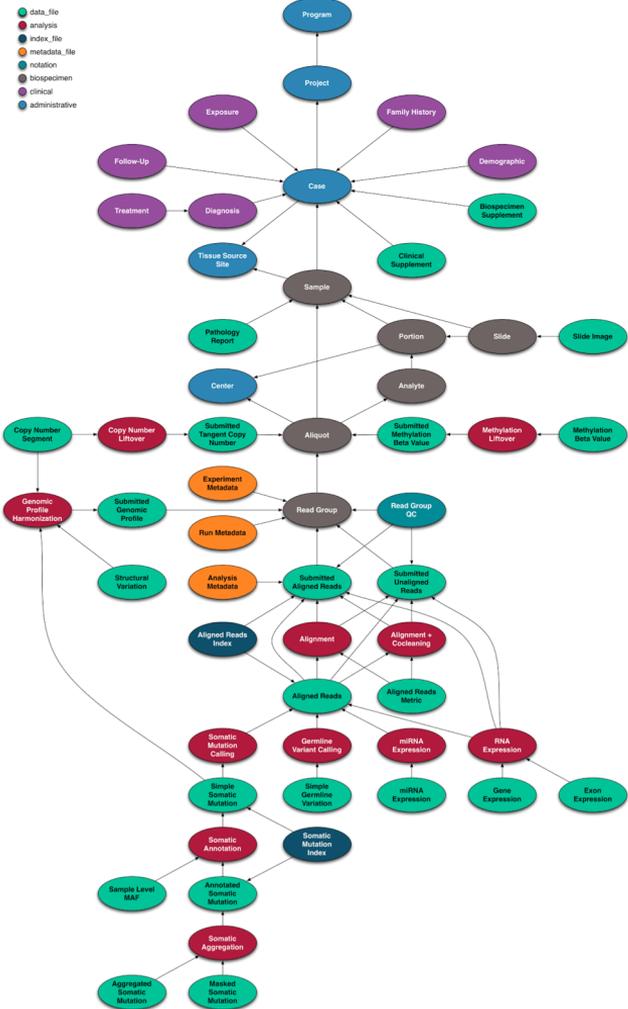






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build **ok** updated **< 1 week** dependencies **53**

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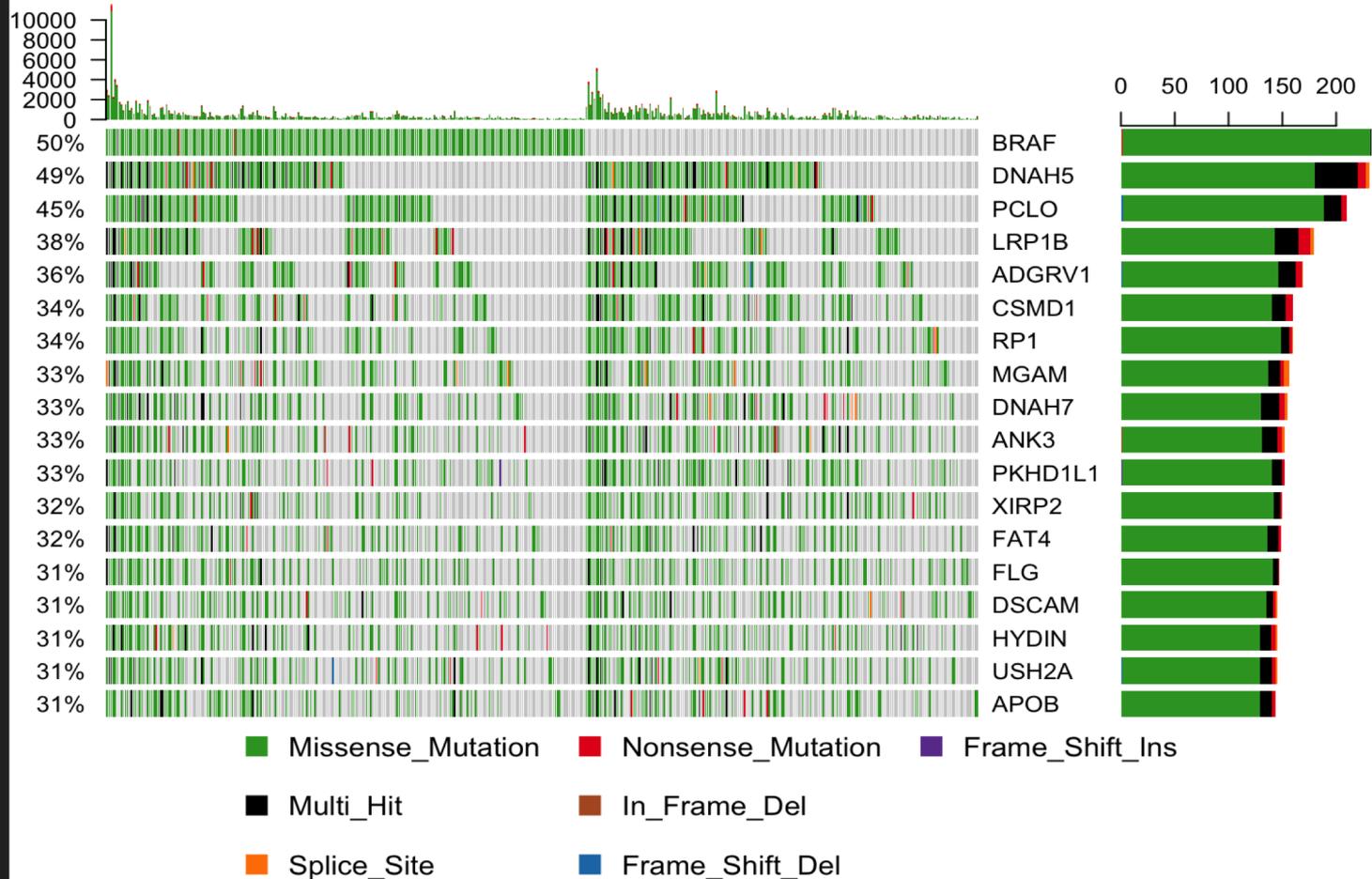
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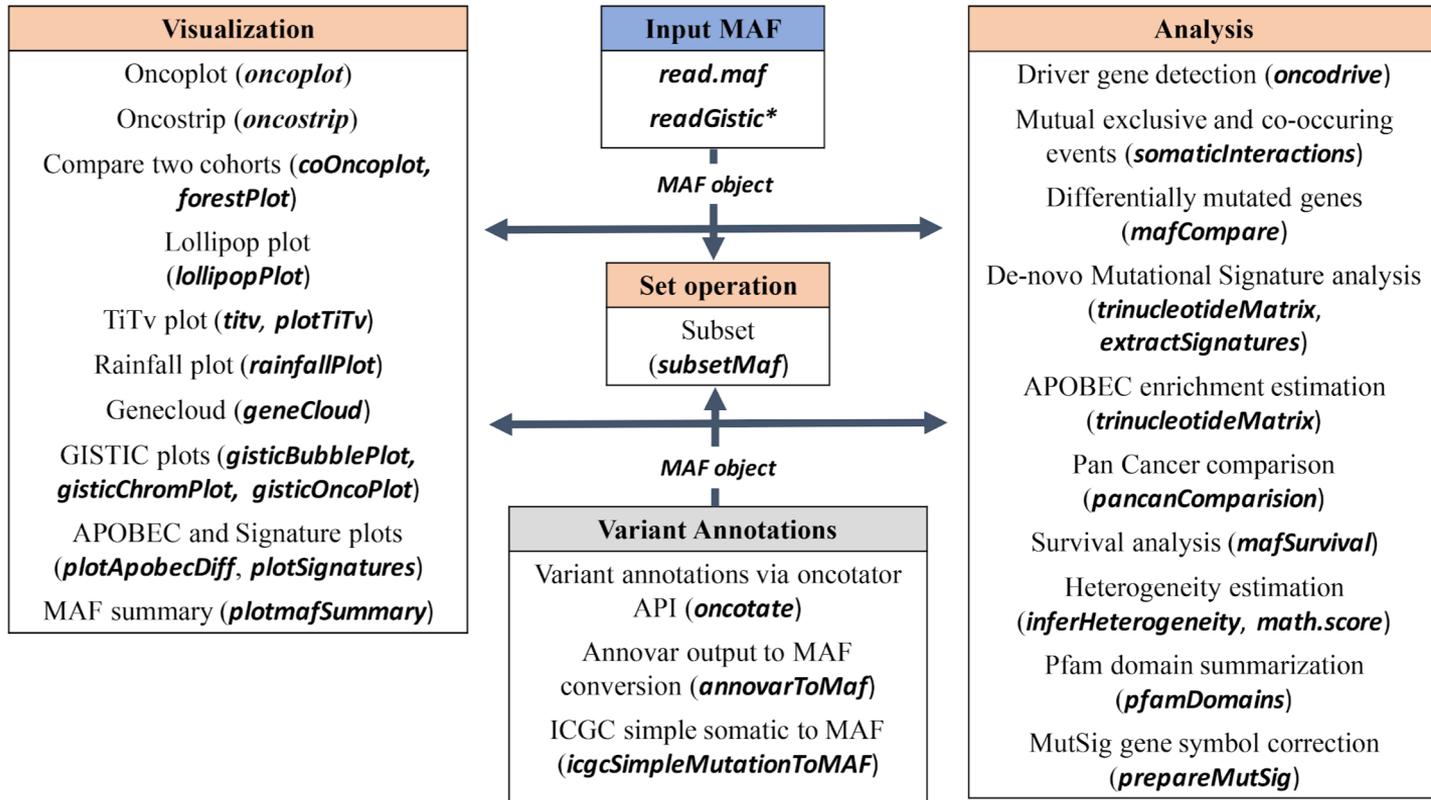
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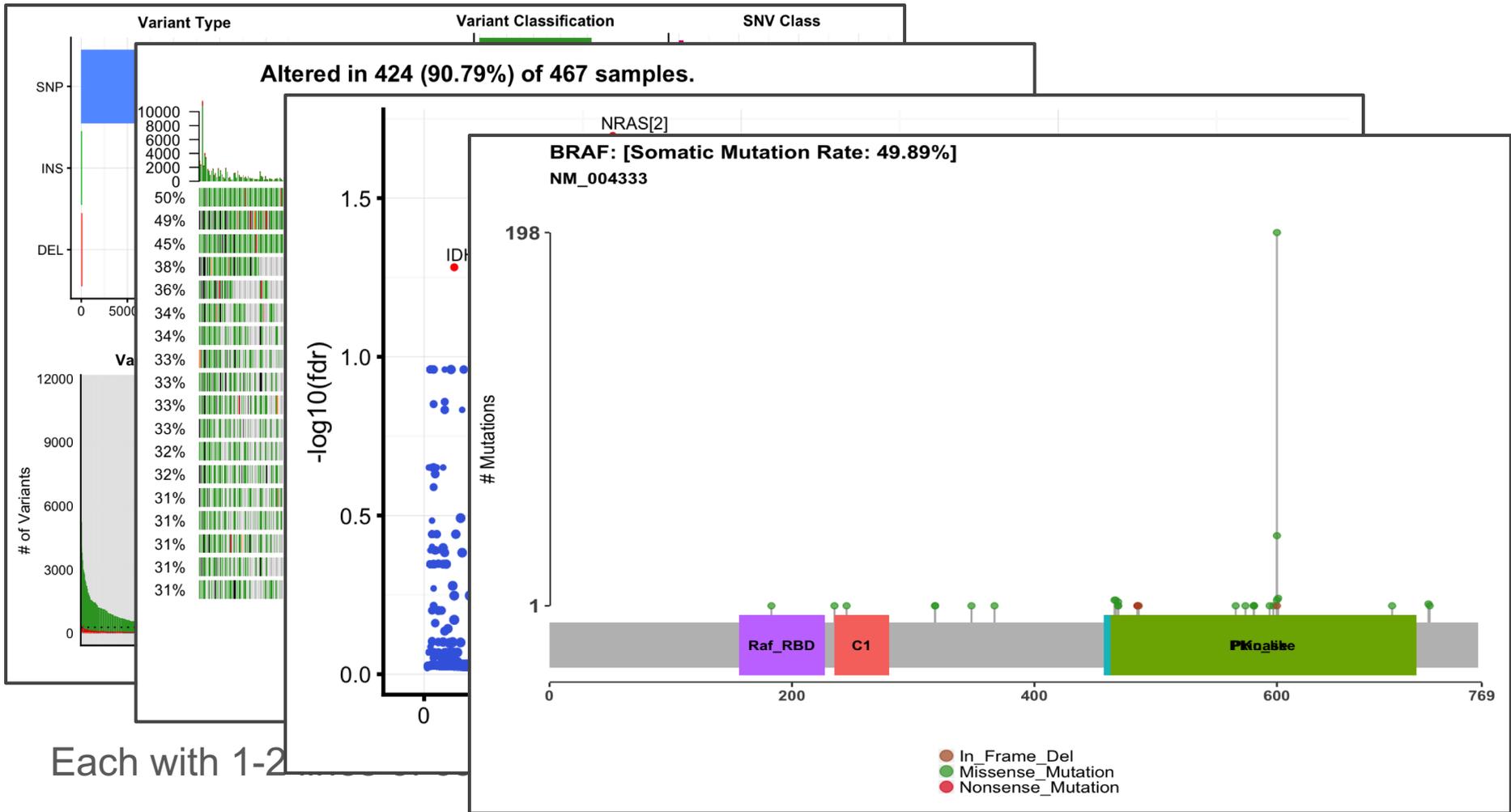
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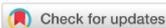
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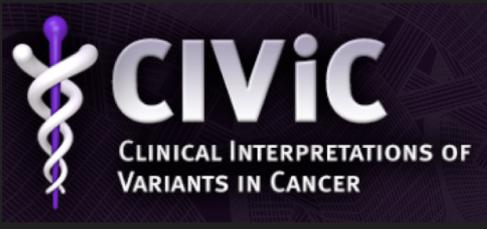
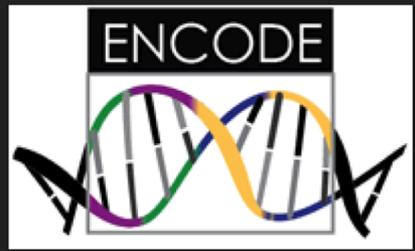
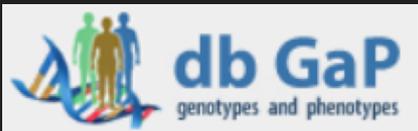
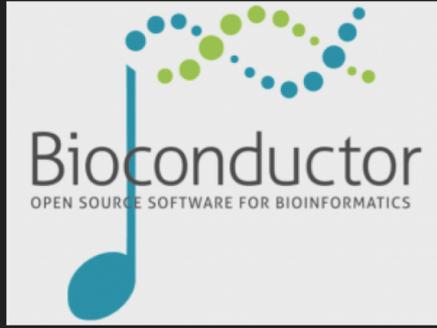
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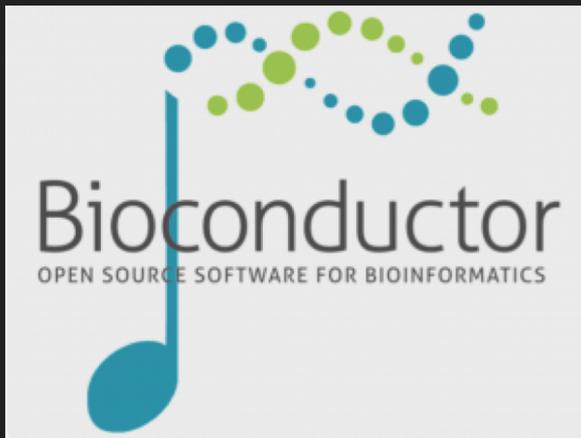
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