

crossWGCNA R package

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Adjacency

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Description

Function to compute cross-tissue gene expression adjacencies.

Usage

```
Adjacency(data, method="selfloop", comp1="_1", comp2="_2",  
          Adj_type="signed", cortype="spearman", pval="none",  
          thr=0.05, beta=6, sign_list=1, compartment_sel="none",  
          selgenes=NA, verbose=FALSE)
```

Arguments

data	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
method	String character identifying the method to use to compute cross-tissue adjacencies. Can be "self-loop" or "netdiff".
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".
Adj_type	String character identifying the type of adjacency to compute. Can be "signed", "unsigned" or "keep sign". Default="signed". "keep sign" is equivalent to "unsigned" in absolute values, but with sign corresponding to the sign of correlation. See WGCNA package for details.
cortype	String character identifying the type of correlation. Can be "pearson", "spearman" or "bicor". Default="spearman". See WGCNA package for details.
pval	String character identifying whether to use the correlations' p-value in edge weight. Possible values are: "none" (does not include p-values), "threshold" (discard edges with a p-value higher than a threshold), "weight" (multiply edges' adjacencies by 1-pvalue). Default="none". Can be used with "pearson" and "spearman" correlations.

thr	Threshold for cutting edges based on p-values. Default=0.05.
beta	Power for adjacency calculation. Default=6.
sign_list	When considering genes associated with a pathway with sign (activation: +1, inactivation: -1), a vector with a value for each gene in the pathway. Default=1, meaning that each gene has the same positive weight.
compartment_sel	String character identifying the tissue to be considered when providing a pathway. Can be "none", "comp1" or "comp2".
selgenes	Vector of genes associated with the pathway of interest.
verbose	Boolean value. If TRUE prints logging output. Default=FALSE.

Details

The adjacencies are computed accordingly to the method selected (i.e., "self-loop" or "netdiff").

Value

Returns a matrix with pair-wise gene adjacencies.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Langfelder P, Horvath S (2008). WGCNA: an R package for weighted correlation network analysis. BMC Bioinformatics, 559.

See Also

[rm_selfloop](#), [rm_netdiff](#)

Examples

See package vignette.

```
ST_expr_smooth_output
```

Averaged gene expression of BC@assays\$SCT@data

Description

Pre-computed smooths spatial transcriptomics gene expression using the weighted mean of neighbouring spots in one compartment.

Usage

```
load("ST_expr_smooth_out.RData")
```

Format

A data frame 20227 genes x 4898 spots.

Details

Output of `ST_expr_smooth` function. The object is available for download at zenodo web page: [codehttps://zenodo.org/record/8268805](https://zenodo.org/record/8268805).

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#)

Examples

```
options(timeout=200)
download.file(url="https://zenodo.org/record/8268805/files/ST_expr_smooth_out.RData?download=1",
             destfile=~ /ST_expr_smooth_out.RData")
load("~/ST_expr_smooth_out.RData")
```

Breast Cancer ST Seurat Object
ST Seurat Object

Description

Pre-computed clusters from a Breast Cancer spatial transcriptomics dataset provided by Illumina (Visium platform). A common Seurat (version 4.1.3) analysis pipeline has been applied on the "h5" file to finally obtain clusters and umaps.

Details

See Seurat package for details. The object is available for download at zenodo web page: [codehttps://zenodo.org/record/8268805](https://zenodo.org/record/8268805).

Examples

```
download.file(url="https://zenodo.org/record/8268805/files/BC.RData?download=1",
             destfile = "~/BC.RData")
load("~/BC.RData")
```

clusteringWGCNA	<i>clusteringWGCNA</i>
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Description

Function to perform WGCNA clustering based on an adjacency matrix.

Usage

```
clusteringWGCNA(A, data, comp1="_1", comp2="_2", TOM=TRUE, ds=1, crossOnly=TRUE)
```

Arguments

A	Adjacency matrix. Should be the output of the function Adjacency . Must be a symmetric matrix.
data	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".
TOM	Boolean value. If TRUE compute the Topological Overlap Matrix prior to clustering. Default=TRUE.
ds	Parameter influencing the final number of clusters. It sets the <code>deepSplit</code> parameter in the <code>cutreeDynamic</code> function from the WGCNA package.
crossOnly	Boolean value. If TRUE remove intra-tissue adjacencies prior to clustering (set to 0). Default=TRUE.

Value

Returns a list of connectivities (output of [degrees](#)) and of genes' clusters.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Langfelder P, Horvath S (2008). WGCNA: an R package for weighted correlation network analysis. BMC Bioinformatics, 559.

See Also

[Adjacency](#), [rm_selfloop](#), [degrees](#), [degrees_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

cor_inspect	<i>cor_inspect</i>
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Description

Plot the correlation between two genes in the same or in different compartments/tissues.

Usage

```
cor_inspect(data, gene1, gene2, comp1="_tis1", comp2="_tis2")
```

Arguments

data	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
gene1	First gene to plot
gene2	Second gene to plot
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".

Value

A plot with four panels displaying the scatterplots of gene1 and gene2 relationships within and between tissues/compartments.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannzzi.

Examples

See package vignette.

crossWGCNA	<i>crossWGCNA</i>
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Description

One-step function to obtain connectivities of each gene with all genes of the same or of the alternate tissue/organ, and gene clusters based on inter-tissue connectivities.

Usage

```
crossWGCNA(data, method="netdiff", Adj_type="signed", cortype="spearman",
            pval="none", thr=0.05, beta=6, comp1="_1", comp2="_2",
            doClusters=TRUE, doTOM=TRUE, ds=1, crossOnly=TRUE, sign_list=1,
            compartment_sel="none", selgenes=NA, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
<code>method</code>	String character identifying the method to use to compute cross-tissue adjacencies. Can be "self-loop" or "netdiff".
<code>Adj_type</code>	String character identifying the type of adjacency to compute. Can be "signed", "unsigned" or "keep sign". Default="signed". "keep sign" is equivalent to "unsigned" in absolute values, but with sign corresponding to the sign of correlation. See WGCNA package for details.
<code>cortype</code>	String character identifying the type of correlation. Can be "pearson", "spearman" or "bicor". Default="spearman".
<code>pval</code>	String character identifying whether to use the correlations' p-value in edge weight. Possible values are: "none" (does not include p-values), "threshold" (discard edges with a p-value higher than a threshold), "weight" (multiply edges' adjacencies by 1-pvalue). Default="none". Can be used with "pearson" and "spearman" correlations.
<code>thr</code>	Threshold for cutting edges based on p-values. Default=0.05.
<code>beta</code>	Power for adjacency calculation. Default=6.
<code>comp1</code>	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
<code>comp2</code>	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".
<code>doClusters</code>	Boolean value. If TRUE compute clusters. Default=TRUE.
<code>doTOM</code>	Boolean value. If TRUE compute the Topological Overlap Matrix prior to clustering. Default=TRUE.
<code>ds</code>	Parameter influencing the final number of clusters. It sets the <code>deepSplit</code> parameter in the <code>cutreeDynamic</code> function from the WGCNA package.
<code>crossOnly</code>	Boolean value. If TRUE remove intra-tissue adjacencies prior to clustering (set to 0). Default=TRUE.
<code>sign_list</code>	When considering genes associated with a pathway with sign (activation: +1, inactivation: -1), a vector with a value for each gene in the pathway. Default=1, meaning that each gene has the same positive weight.
<code>compartment_sel</code>	String character identifying the tissue to be considered when providing a pathway. Can be "none", "comp1" or "comp2".
<code>selgenes</code>	Vector of genes associated with the pathway of interest.
<code>verbose</code>	Boolean value. If TRUE prints logging output. Default=TRUE.

Value

If `doClusters` is set to FALSE, returns a list of connectivities otherwise returns both list of connectivities and gene modules.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Langfelder P, Horvath S (2008). WGCNA: an R package for weighted correlation network analysis. BMC Bioinformatics, 559.

See Also

[Adjacency](#), [rm_selfloop](#), [rm_netdiff](#), [degrees](#), [clusteringWGCNA](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

Curated pathways and metadata
<i>curated biological pathways</i>

Description

An ".xlsx" file containing curated informations of 13 biological pathways and metadata: cell cycle, Hippo, Myc, Notch, Nrf2, Pi3k, TGF-Beta, Rtk-Ras, Tp53, Wnt, MutSig genes, OncoKB-CNAs-AMP, OncoKB-CNAs-HOMODEL. Every first column of each electronic sheet contains HUGO symbols of every gene in the patwhay. In addition, every pathway is enriched with several metadata informations (e.g., Alteration, Oncogenicity, PMIDs for mutation effect, aliases, GISTIC del, etc).

cytoscape_net	<i>cytoscape_net</i>
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Description

Finds the top cross-tissue interactors of a gene and saves them as a Cytoscape input.

Usage

```
cytoscape_net(A, data, gene, comp1, comp2, num, corr="spearman")
```

Arguments

A	Adjacency matrix. Should be the output of the function Adjacency . Must be a symmetric matrix.
data	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
gene	Gene to be analyzed (string character).
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".

comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".
num	Number (numeric) of first closest neighbours of the selected genes to consider.
corr	String character identifying the type of correlation. Can be "pearson", "spearman" or "bicor". Default="spearman".

Value

Dataframe with the top interactors of the selected gene and their pairwise adjacencies within and between tissues. Columns of the dataframe are:

Source	source gene
Target	connected gene
Weight	connection strenght: adjacency
Edge_type	type of interaction: within compartment 1 (intra1), compartment 2 (intra2) or between compartments (inter)
Source_type	label indicating whether the source gene has been measured in compartment 1 or compartment 2
Target_type	label indicating whether the target gene has been measured in compartment 1 or compartment 2

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Shannon P, Markiel A, Ozier O, Baliga NS, Wang JT, Ramage D, Amin N, Schwikowski B, Ideker T. Cytoscape: a software environment for integrated models of biomolecular interaction networks. Genome Research 2003 Nov; 13(11):2498-504

Examples

See package vignette.

degrees_mod	<i>degrees_mod</i>
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Usage

```
degrees_mod(data, method = "netdiff", modules, Adj_type = "signed",
             cortype = "spearman", pval = "none", thr = 0.05,
             beta = 6, comp1 = "_1", comp2 = "_2")
```


Arguments

data	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are samples. Gene expression measures in the two tissues are combined by row.
method	String character identifying the method to use to compute cross-tissue adjacencies. Can be "self-loop" or "netdiff".
modules	List of co-expression modules. Output of clusteringWGCNA
Adj_type	String character identifying the type of adjacency to compute. Can be "signed", "unsigned" or "keep sign". Default="signed". "keep sign" is equivalent to "unsigned" in absolute values, but with sign corresponding to the sign of correlation. See WGCNA for details.
cortype	String character identifying the type of correlation. Can be "pearson", "spearman" or "bicor". Default="spearman". See WGCNA for details.
pval	String character identifying whether to use the correlations' p-value in edge weight. Possible values are: "none" (does not include p-values), "threshold" (discard edges with a p-value higher than a threshold), "weight" (multiply edges' adjacencies by 1-pvalue). Default="none". Can be used with "pearson" and "spearman" correlations.
thr	Threshold for cutting edges based on p-values. Default=0.05.
beta	Power for adjacency calculation. Default=6.
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".

Value

For each module returns a list of degrees' vectors:

kInt1	Intra-tissue degree for tissue 1
kInt2	Intra-tissue degree for tissue 2
kExt1	Inter-tissue degree for tissue 1 genes with tissue 2
kExt2	Inter-tissue degree for tissue 2 genes with tissue 1
kTot1	Overall connectivity of genes in tissue 1 with genes in both tissue 1 and 2
kTot2	Overall connectivity of genes in tissue 2 with genes in both tissue 1 and 2

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Langfelder P, Horvath S (2008). WGCNA: an R package for weighted correlation network analysis. BMC Bioinformatics, 559.

See Also

[degrees](#), [Adjacency](#), [clusteringWGCNA](#), [crossWGCNA](#)

Examples

See package vignette.

degrees	<i>degrees</i>
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Description

Function to compute the weighted degree of a gene with all genes of the same or of the alternate tissue/organ.

Usage

```
degrees(A, comp1="_1", comp2="_2")
```

Arguments

- A Matrix of adjacencies, output of the function Adjacency.
- comp1 Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
- comp2 Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".

Value

A list of degrees' vectors:

- kInt1 Intra-tissue degree for tissue 1
- kInt2 Intra-tissue degree for tissue 2
- kExt1 Inter-tissue degree for tissue 1 genes with tissue 2
- kExt2 Inter-tissue degree for tissue 2 genes with tissue 1
- kTot1 Overall connectivity of genes in tissue 1 with genes in both tissue 1 and 2
- kTot2 Overall connectivity of genes in tissue 2 with genes in both tissue 1 and 2

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

References

Langfelder P, Horvath S (2008). WGCNA: an R package for weighted correlation network analysis. Returns a list of connectivities BMC Bioinformatics, 559.

See Also

[Adjacency](#), [clusteringWGCNA](#), [crossWGCNA](#), [degrees_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

"epi" GSE5847 RData Object
Epithelium transcriptome profile.

Description

LCM dataset with matched stroma transcriptome profiles from the same tumor (GSE5847).

Usage

```
load("epi_GSE5847.RData")
```

Format

A data frame with 3101 genes x 34 samples.

Details

The dataset is automatically loaded with crossWGCNA library loading.

Source

code<https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6694/13/13/3371>

References

Savino, A., de Marzo, N., Provero, P. & Poli, V. Meta-analysis of microdissected breast tumors reveals genes regulated in the stroma but hidden in bulk analysis. *Cancers (Basel)* 13, (2021).

Examples

```
load("epi_GSE5847.RData")
```

"stroma" GSE5847 RData Object
Stroma transcriptome profile.

Description

LCM dataset with matched epithelium transcriptome profiles from the same tumor (GSE5847).

Usage

```
load("stroma_GSE5847.RData")
```

Format

A data frame with 3101 genes x 34 samples.

Details

The dataset is automatically loaded with crossWGCNA library loading.

Source

code<https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6694/13/13/3371>

References

Savino, A., de Marzo, N., Provero, P. & Poli, V. Meta-analysis of microdissected breast tumors reveals genes regulated in the stroma but hidden in bulk analysis. *Cancers (Basel)* 13, (2021).

Examples

```
load("stroma_GSE5847.RData")
```

rm_netdiff	<i>rm_netdiff</i>
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Description

Removes the average connectivity between each gene pair from both tissues<e2><80><99> networks.

Usage

```
rm_netdiff(A, comp1="_1", comp2="_2", verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---------|--|
| A | Matrix of adjacencies, output of the function Adjacency. |
| comp1 | Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1". |
| comp2 | Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2". |
| verbose | Boolean value. If TRUE prints logging output. Default=FALSE. |

Details

See the manuscript for further details.

Value

Returns the adjusted Adjacency matrix.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[rm_netdiff](#)

rm_selfloop

rm_selfloop

Description

Function that imposes self-loops to a zero value.

Usage

```
rm_selfloop(A, comp1="_1", comp2="_2", verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

A	Matrix of adjacencies, output of the function <code>Adjacency</code> .
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_2".
verbose	Boolean value. If TRUE prints logging output. Default=FALSE.

Details

See the manuscript for further details.

Value

Returns the adjusted Adjacency matrix.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[rm_netdiff](#)

ST_boundary_spots *ST_boundary_spots*

Description

Generates matched vectors of indexes for compartment1 and compartment2 spots.

Usage

```
ST_boundary_spots(included_spots, coords)
```

Arguments

included_spots	Spots of compartment1 along the boundaries of compartment 1 and 2.
coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.

Value

List of two vectors of indexes (matched) for compartment 1 and compartment 2 spots. Wherever the same spot is neighbouring multiple spots of the alternate compartment, the spot index is repeated to represent both.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_comm](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_expr_smooth	<i>ST_expr_smooth</i>
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Description

Smooths spatial transcriptomics gene expression using the weighted mean of neighbouring spots in the same compartment.

Usage

```
ST_expr_smooth(expr_data, coords, max_dist, spots_class, sel_class)
```

Arguments

<code>expr_data</code>	Input data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are spots.
<code>coords</code>	Dataframe with columns specifying x and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
<code>max_dist</code>	Integer specifying maximum spots distance to be included in the weighed mean. Default=5.
<code>spots_class</code>	Character vector with labels indicating the compartment to which each spot belongs.
<code>sel_class</code>	Character vector with the labels of the two compartments to analyze. Can be "Epi" and "Stroma".

Details

Input data is obtained from `@assay$SCT@data` slot of the Seurat object.

Value

Smoothed data matrix, where rows are genes and columns are spots.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_comm](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_merged_dataset *Creates a merged dataset with gene expression from the two selected compartments*

Description

For each selected spot in compartment 1, takes the neighbouring spots in compartment 2 and creates a gene expression matrix with matched gene expression from the two selected compartments.

Usage

```
ST_merged_dataset(sel_spots, coords, averaged_expr_all, var_thr=0.75,
                  comp1="_tis1", comp2="_tis2")
```

Arguments

sel_spots	List of two vectors, one for each compartment, with indexes of spots to be included. Output of the ST_spots_filt function.
coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
averaged_expr_all	Gene expression data matrix where rows are genes and columns are spots. Output of the ST_expr_smooth function.
var_thr	Threshold (numeric) with the lowest gene expression variance percentile to keep a gene in the final data matrix. Default=0.75.
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_tis1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_tis2".

Value

List of two values:

data_merged	Matrix with gene expression from the two selected compartments, where columns represent positions in space (of selected compartment 1 spots), and rows are genes measured either in one or in the other compartment (denoted by different suffixes).
included_spots	Vector of indexes for the compartment 1 spots included in the final data matrix.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_comm](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#)

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_midpoints_def	<i>ST_midpoints_def</i>
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Description

Defines boundaries between two tissues/compartments as the points equally distant from two neighbouring compartment1 and compartment2 spots.

Usage

```
ST_midpoints_def(coords, sel_spots)
```

Arguments

coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
sel_spots	List of two vectors of indexes (matched) for compartment 1 and compartment 2 spots. Output of the ST_boundary_spots function.

Value

List of two vectors with x and y coordinates of the midpoints.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_plot_comm](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#)

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_plot_comm	<i>ST_plot_comm</i>
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Description

Generates a plot showing the communication score of two genes along the boundaries between the two tissues/compartments.

Usage

```
ST_plot_comm(gene1, gene2, averaged_expr_all, coords, included_spots,
             sel_spots, tis1_spots, tis2_spots, midpoints)
```

Arguments

gene1	First gene, measured in compartment 1.
gene2	Second gene, measured in compartment 2.
averaged_expr_all	Gene expression data matrix where rows are genes and columns are spots. Output of the ST_expr_smooth function.
coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
included_spots	Spots of compartment1 along the boundaries of compartment1 and 2.
sel_spots	List of two vectors of indexes (matched) for compartment1 and compartment2 spots. Output of the ST_boundary_spots function.
tis1_spots	Indexes of compartment1 spots.
tis2_spots	Indexes of compartment2 spots.
midpoints	List of two vectors with x and y coordinates of the midpoints between neighbouring compartment1 and compartment2 spots. Output of the ST_midpoints_df function.

Value

Returns a plot.

Author(s)

Aurosa Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_plot_expr	<i>Plot gene expression in space</i>
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Description

Generates a plot showing the expression of a gene in space and the boundaries of the two compartments.

Usage

```
ST_plot_expr(gene, averaged_expr_all, coords, included_spots,
             tis1_spots, tis2_spots, midpoints)
```

Arguments

gene	Gene to be plotted.
averaged_expr_all	Gene expression data matrix where rows are genes and columns are spots. Output of the ST_expr_smooth function.
coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
included_spots	Spots of compartment 1 along the boundaries of compartment 1 and 2.
tis1_spots	Vector of indexes of spots belonging to tissue 1
tis2_spots	Vector of indexes of spots belonging to tissue 2
midpoints	List of two vectors with x and y coordinates of the midpoints between neighbouring compartment 1 and compartment 2 spots. Output of the ST_midpoints_def function.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_comm](#), [ST_spots_coords](#), [ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_spots_coords	<i>ST_spots_coords</i>
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Description

Defines the x and y coordinates of each spot in the array, assigning the value of 1 to the leftmost spot and considering an inter-spot x distance of 1.

Usage

```
ST_spots_coords(data, br=1000)
```

Arguments

data	Seurat object with the spatial transcriptomics data.
br	Number of breaks (numeric) for finding the coordinate peaks. Needs to be higher than the number of actual x or y coordinates of spots in the array. Default=1000

Value

Returns a matrix with two columns for x and y coordinates of each spot.

Author(s)

Aurora Savino, Raffaele M. Iannuzzi.

See Also

[ST_expr_smooth](#), [ST_merged_dataset](#), [ST_midpoints_def](#), [ST_plot_expr](#), [ST_plot_comm](#),
[ST_spots_filt](#), [ST_boundary_spots](#), [ST_weighted_mod](#).

Examples

See package vignette.

ST_spots_filt	<i>Select non-isolated spots.</i>
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Description

Selects spots with at least one neighbouring spot belonging to the same compartment.

Usage

```
ST_spots_filt(coords, tis1_spots, tis2_spots)
```

Arguments

coords	X and y coordinates for each spot, obtained from the ST_spots_coords function.
tis1_spots	Vector of indexes of spots belonging to tissue 1
tis2_spots	Vector of indexes of spots belonging to tissue 2

Value

List of two vectors: indexes of selected spots for tissue 1; indexes of selected spots for tissue 2.

Author(s)

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See Also

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ST_weighted_mod	<i>ST_weighted_mod</i>
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Description

Computes a weighted summary of a module's expression based on the kExt of the genes measured in each compartment separately.

Usage

```
ST_weighted_mod(modules, kw, mod_sel, averaged_expr_all,
                 comp1="_tis1", comp2="_tis2")
```

Arguments

modules	Vector with module labels for each gene.
kw	Connectivities computed with the function kwithin.
mod_sel	Label of the selected module.
averaged_expr_all	Gene expression data matrix where rows are genes and columns are spots. Output of the ST_expr_smooth function.
comp1	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 1. Default="_tis1".
comp2	Suffix (string character) to identify genes of tissue 2. Default="_tis2".

Value

List of two vectors with the weighted mean of the expression of module's genes belonging to compartment 1 or compartment 2.

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