



Why ISA? - A note on tabular metadata

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The ISA Model of (experimental) metadata



Investigation

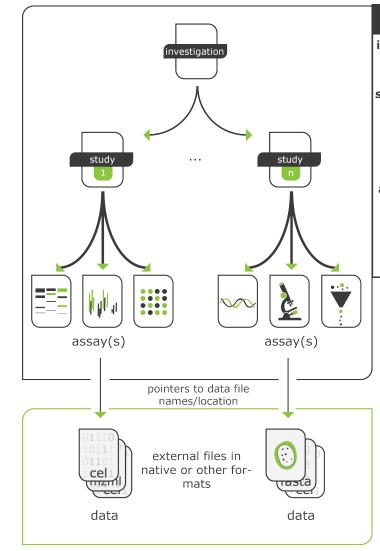
- Overall goals
- Scientific context

Study

Experimental steps

Assay

Leading to (raw) data



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investigation

high level concept to link related studies

study

the central unit, containing information on the subject under study, its characteristics and any treatments applied.

a study has associated assays

assay

test performed either on material taken from the subject or on the whole initial subject, which produce qualitative or quantitative measurements (data)

https://isa-tools.org/format/specification.html







Free-text protocol (e.g. publication M&M section)



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ample Name	Sample description	Growth protocol	Experiment protocol	Sampling protocol
Panama_Tt001		plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle-Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ-mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harves from well-watered plants
Panama_Tt002	Leaves of 28-d-old Talinum	plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle-Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ-mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from well-watered plants
Panama_Tt003		plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle- Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ- mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from well-watered plants
Panama_Tt004	Leaves of 28-d-old Talinum	plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle- Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ- mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after 4 days of water deprivation
Panama_Tt005		plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle-Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ-mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after 4 days of water deprivation
Panama_Tt006	Leaves of 28-d-old Talinum	plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle-Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ-mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after 4 days of water deprivation
Panama_Tt007		plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle-Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ-mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after 9 days of water deprivation
Panama_Tt008	Leaves of 28-d-old Talinum	plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle- Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ- mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after days of water deprivation
Panama_Tt009	Leaves of 28-d-old Talinum	plants were grown in Miracle-Gro Potting Mix (Miracle- Gro) in "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 I (Stuewe and Sons). The experiment was initiated with in a controlled environment chamber (Environ- mental Growth Chambers) maintained under 12 h light (30°C, 37% relative humidity)/12 h dark (22°C) cycles. Photon flux density at leaf level was 425 mmol m22 s21.	Irrigation was withheld on day 1 and recommenced on day 14.	Leaves were harve from platns after days of water deprivation







Annotation principles



Source Name

The Source Name column defines the source of biological material used for your experiments. The name used must be a unique identifier. It can be an organism, a sample, or both.

Every annotation table must start with the Source Name column



Parameter

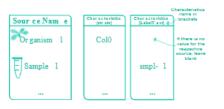
Use parameters to annotate your experimental workflow.

You can group parameters to create a protocol.



Characteristics

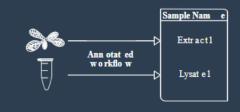
Use characteristics columns to annotate interesting properties of the source material. You can use any number of characteristics columns.



Sample name

The Sample Name column defines the resulting biological material of the annotated workflow. The name used must be a unique identifier.

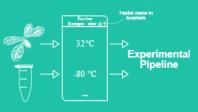
Samples can again be sources for further experimental workflows.



Factor

Use factor columns to track the experimental conditions that govern your study

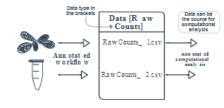
Most of the time, factors are the most important building blocks for downstream computational analysis.



Data

The Data column describes data files that results from your experiments. Additionally to the type of data, the annotated files must have a unique name.

Data files can be sources for computational workflows.







Characteristics - e.g. plant source



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2 Source Name V	Sample Name	Characteristics [Organism]	▼ Characteristics [Organism part]	▼ Characteristics [Plant age] ▼
3 Panama_Tt001	Panama_Tt001	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
4 Panama_Tt002	Panama_Tt002	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
5 Panama_Tt003	Panama_Tt003	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
6 Panama_Tt004	Panama_Tt004	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
7 Panama_Tt005	Panama_Tt005	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
Panama_Tt006	Panama_Tt006	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
9 Panama_Tt007	Panama_Tt007	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
0 Panama_Tt008	Panama_Tt008	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
1 Panama_Tt009	Panama_Tt009	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
Panama_Tt010	Panama_Tt010	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
3 Panama_Tt011	Panama_Tt011	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
4 Panama_Tt012	Panama_Tt012	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
S Panama_Tt013	Panama_Tt013	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
6 Panama_Tt014	Panama_Tt014	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
7 Panama_Tt015	Panama_Tt015	Tallinum triangulare	Leaf	28 days after germination
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3	Panama
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5	Panama
6	Panama
7	Panama
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9	Panama
10	Panama
11	Panama
12	Panama
13	Panama
14	Panama
15	Panama
16	Panama
17	Panama

Parameter [study type]	Parameter [growth chamber company]	Parameter [plant growth medium exposure]	▼ Parameter [Flower pot]
growth chamber study	Environmental Growht Chambers, Ohio	Mirade-Gro Potting Mix	Stuewe and Sons "Short-One" treepots, 1.6 L
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Source Name	Parameter [Growth day length]	Parameter [Temperature Day]	Parameter [Temperature Night]	Parameter [Humidity Day]	Parameter [light intensity exposure]
Panama_Tt001	12 hr light / 12 hr dark	30.00 degree Celsius	22.00 degree Celsius	37.00 percent	425.00 microeinstein per square meter per second
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Panama _,	Tt011
Panama _,	Tt012
Panama _.	Tt013
Panama	Tt014

Factor (watering exposure)
Well-watered
Well-watered
Well-watered
4 days drought
4 days drought
4 days drought
9 days drought
9 days drought
9 days drought
12 days drought
12 days drought
12 days drought
2 days re-watered
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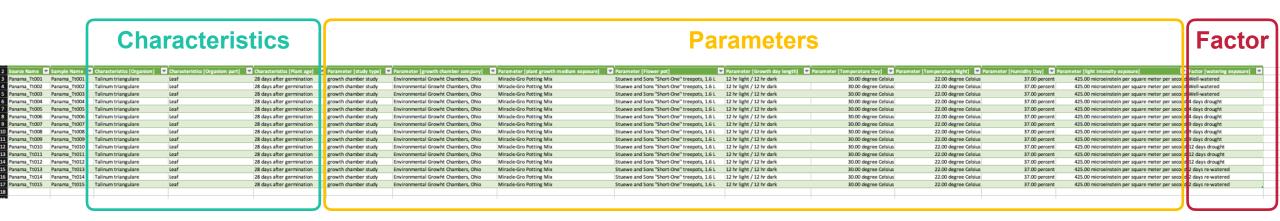


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Panama	Tt010
Panama	Tt011
Panama	Tt012
Panama	Tt013
Panama	Tt014
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Characteristics [Organism]	▼ Characteristics [Organism part]
Talinum triangulare	Leaf
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Factor [watering exposure]
Well-watered
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4 days drought
4 days drought
4 days drought
9 days drought
9 days drought
9 days drought
12 days drought
12 days drought
12 days drought
2 days re-watered
2 days re-watered
2 days re-watered

Brilhaus et al. (2016) doi:10.1104/pp.15.01076



Panama_Tt015



Ressources



CEPLAS

- Homepage: https://www.ceplas.eu/en/research/data-science-and-data-management/
- GitHub: https://github.com/CEPLAS-FAIRidise

- DataPLANT
 - Homepage: https://nfdi4plants.de

