Trypanosoma brucei co-expression network analysis

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Introduction

This document contains the workflow used in the analysis of $T.\ brucei$ gene co-expression network analysis. It contains code used in each step of the analysis. The code and output files are archived at https://github.com/wanjauk/tbrucei_gcn

Setting up R for the analysis

```
# load required R packages
library("dupRadar")
library("Rsubread")
library("limma")
library("edgeR")
library("sva")
library("RColorBrewer")
library("ggplot2")
library("gplots")
library("reshape2")
library("ggfortify")
library("xlsx")
library("WGCNA")
library("flashClust")
library("tidyverse")
library("igraph")
library('foreach')
library('doParallel')
library('goseq')
library('Trypanosoma.brucei.TREU927', character.only = TRUE)
library('org.Tb927.tritryp.db')
library('TxDb.TbruceiTREU927.tritryp43.genes')
library('dplyr')
library('rtracklayer')
library('tibble')
library('ggrepel')
# ensure results are reproducible
set.seed(1)
# other settings
options(digits = 4)
options(stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
# set number of threads to allow in WGCNA analysis
allowWGCNAThreads(nThreads=20)
```

Data acquisition

Data used in this study is obtained from European Nucleotide Archive under accession number SRP002243 and SRR965341.

First, metadata for the data is obtained from EBI as follows:

```
#Obtain metadata information for the data used in this study from ENA and SRA databases.
# ENA metadata
# code adapted from:
# https://wiki.bits.vib.be/index.php/Download_read_information_and_FASTQ_data_from_the_SRA
accession <- "SRP002243" # similarly, obtain data for SRR965341
ena.url <- paste("http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/data/warehouse/filereport?accession=",</pre>
                 accession,
                 "&result=read run",
                 "&fields=run_accession,library_name,",
                 "read_count,fastq_ftp,fastq_aspera,",
                 "fastq_galaxy,sra_ftp,sra_aspera,sra_galaxy,",
                 "&download=text",
                 sep="")
ENA.metadata <- read.table(url(ena.url), header=TRUE, sep="\t")
# SRA metadata
SRA.metadata <- read.table("../data/SraRunTable.metadata.txt", header = TRUE, sep = "\t")
# create a text file with urls to fastq files in ENA database
fastq.urls <- ENA.metadata[grepl("fastq_ftp", names(ENA.metadata))]</pre>
write.csv(fastq.urls, file="../data/fastq.urls.txt", eol = "\r\n",
          quote = FALSE, row.names = FALSE)
# obtain sample metadata to be used later in analysis in R.
matches <- c("Run","Library_Name","Sample_Name")</pre>
sample.metadata <- SRA.metadata[grepl(paste(matches, collapse="|"), names(SRA.metadata))]</pre>
# create grouping factor that will place each sample in the one of three tissues i.e.
# midgut (MG), proventriculus(PV) and salivary glands (SG)
tissue <- factor(c("MG", "MG", "MG", "MG", "PV", "PV", "SG", "SG", "SG", "SG",
                   "MG", "MG", "PV", "SG", "SG", "PV"))
# append factor to sample.metadata to group samples
sample.metadata["Tissue"] <- tissue</pre>
# The sample below was analysed separately as the reads are paired-end while
# the other samples are single-end.
# Add sample from Telleria et al 2014 study (SRR965341) to sample metadata.
sample.metadata$Run <- as.character(sample.metadata$Run)</pre>
sample.metadata <- rbind(sample.metadata, "18" = c("SA2", "SRR965341", "SA2", "SG"))</pre>
# include batch information for the samples
batch \leftarrow factor(c(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2))
```

```
sample.metadata["Batch"] <- batch

# print out the sample metadata table
sample.metadata</pre>
```

```
##
      Library_Name
                          Run Sample_Name Tissue Batch
## 1
               mg1 SRR039378
                                       MG1
                                                MG
                                                        1
## 2
                                       MG1
                                                MG
               mg1 SRR039381
                                                        1
## 3
               mg1 SRR039453
                                       MG1
                                                MG
                                                        1
## 4
            MG2_SL SRR039454
                                       MG2
                                                MG
                                                        2
## 5
            MG2_SL SRR039455
                                       MG2
                                                MG
                                                        2
            PV2_SL SRR039456
                                       PV2
                                                PV
                                                        2
## 6
## 7
            PV2_SL SRR039457
                                       PV2
                                                PV
                                                        2
## 10
             SA2_SL SRR039939
                                       SA2
                                                SG
                                                        2
## 11
             SA2_SL SRR039940
                                       SA2
                                                SG
                                                        2
                                                MG
## 12
                mg1 SRR039948
                                       MG1
                                                        1
             MG2_SL SRR039949
## 13
                                       MG2
                                                MG
                                                        2
                                                PV
                                                        2
## 14
             PV2_SL SRR039950
                                       PV2
## 16
             SA2_SL SRR039952
                                       SA2
                                                SG
                                                        2
                                       PV2
                                                PV
                                                        2
## 17
             PV2_SL SRR042429
## 18
                SA2 SRR965341
                                       SA2
                                                SG
                                                        2
```

Next, RNASeq data is downloaded from EBI database's FTP site. Some of the downstream tools require that FASTQ files that were downloaded in zipped form are unzipped.

```
#!/bin/bash
#
#Script to download fastq files from European Nucleotide Archive
#
FILE=$1 #File containing fastq url links to EBI FTP site

OUT_DIR=../data/raw_data/
cat ${FILE} | xargs -n1 wget$2 -P ${OUT_DIR}

#decompress fastq.gz files
#
FASTQ_FILES=../data/raw_data/*.fastq.gz

for file in ${FASTQ_FILES}; do
    gunzip ${file}
done
```

Downloading T. brucei and G. morsitans genome and annotation files

Genomes are obtained from their respective databases before alignment. The genome and annotation files are downloaded from the TriTrypDB and vectorbase databases as follows:

```
#Downloading T. brucei genome

wget https://tritrypdb.org/common/downloads/release-43/TbruceiTREU927/fasta/data/\
TriTrypDB-43_TbruceiTREU927_Genome.fasta \
-P ../data/tbrucei_genome/
```

```
#Downloading the GFF file
wget https://tritrypdb.org/common/downloads/release-43/TbruceiTREU927/gff/data/\
TriTrypDB-43 TbruceiTREU927.gff \
-P ../data/tbrucei_genome_annotations_GFF/
# convert the tbrucei gene annotation from GFF format to GTF (required by some downstream tools)
# uses gffread from cufflinks
mkdir -p ../data/tbrucei_genome_annotations_GTF
gffread ../data/tbrucei_genome_annotations_GFF/TriTrypDB-43_TbruceiTREU927.gff \
-T -o ../data/tbrucei_genome_annotations_GTF/TriTrypDB-43_TbruceiTREU927.gtf
# Download T. brucei annotated transcripts (for use in UTR motif discovery)
wget https://tritrypdb.org/common/downloads/release-43/TbruceiTREU927/fasta/data/
TriTrypDB-43_TbruceiTREU927_AnnotatedTranscripts.fasta \
-P ../data/tbrucei_annotated_transcripts/
# Downloading Glossina genome
wget https://www.vectorbase.org/download/glossina-morsitans-yalescaffoldsgmory1fagz \
-P ../data/glossina_genome_scaffolds/
# Downloading GTF file
wget https://www.vectorbase.org/download/glossina-morsitans-yalebasefeaturesgmory19gtfgz \
-P ../data/glossina_genome_annonations_GTF/
```

Data quality assessment

After downloading the RNASeq data, its quality is checked through the FASTQC tool whose output is a report in HTML format.

```
#!/bin/bash
#
#Script to run FastQC reports using the FastQC tool
#
#load fastqc module
module load fastqc/0.11.4

FASTQ_DIR=../data/raw_data/*.fastq

#create output directory if it doesn't exist.
mkdir -p ../results/fastqc_reports

REPORTS_DIR=../results/fastqc_reports/

for file in ${FASTQ_DIR}; do
    fastqc -f fastq -o ${REPORTS_DIR} ${file}
done
```

Following the high rate of duplicate reads after FASTQC analysis, further analysis is done to ascertain their cause. Duplicate reads are assessed whether they arise from artifacts in PCR (PCR duplicates) or from biological causes (highly expressed genes). This is done later in the analysis after read mapping.

Concatenate and index the T. brucei and G. morsitans genome files

T. brucei and G. morsitans genome files are concatenated into a single fasta file which is used during the alignment of the reads. This ensures no cross-mapping of reads take place during alignment with HISAT2. The next step is indexing the genome using HISAT2.

```
#!/bin/bash

# make a directory to store the concatenated genomes
mkdir -p ../data/brucei-morsitans

# copy the genome files to the created directory and concatenate them
cp ../data/glossina_genome_scaffolds/glossina-* ../data/brucei-morsitans/
cp ../data/tbrucei_genome/*.fasta ../data/brucei-morsitans/
cat ../data/brucei-morsitans/*.fa* > ../data/brucei-morsitans/brucei-morsitans_genomes.fasta

# #index genome using HISAT2
#
GENOME_FILE=$1
hisat2-build ${GENOME_FILE} bru-mor_genome_index_hisat2
```

Aligning the reads to the genome (Read Mapping)

Alignment of the reads to the chimeric genome. The output is SAM files.

```
#!/bin/bash
#Script to align reads to the indexed genome using HISAT2
for fastq in ../data/raw_data/*.fastq; do
   fqname=$(basename "$fastq" .fastq)
        hisat2 \
         -x bru-mor_genome_index_hisat2 \
         -U ${fastq} \
         -S ${fqname}.sam \
         -p 8 \
        --summary-file ${fqname}.txt \
        --new-summary
done
#move the output sam files to a new directory
#create directory if not exists
mkdir -p ../data/processed_data/bru-mor_sam
#move the sam files
mv ../data/raw_data/*.sam ../data/processed_data/bru-mor_sam/
```

Assessment of the duplication rate

At this point, quality control to assess the duplication rate can be performed. First, the SAM files are converted to sorted BAM files required by dupRadar tool. The BAM files are then sorted using samtools

Next, duplicates are marked in the BAM files using Picard.

For each of the 18 samples, dupRadar tool is used to perform quality control in R.

```
# Parameters
bam_file <- "../data/processed_data/bru-mor_bam/SRR039951.dupMarked.bam"
gtf_file <- "../data/brucei-morsitans/brucei-morsitans_annotations.gtf"
stranded <- 0
paired <- FALSE
threads <- 12

# Duplication rate analysis
dm <- analyzeDuprates(bam_file, gtf_file, stranded, paired, threads)

#Plots
png(filename = "../figures/duplication_rate/SRR039951.png")</pre>
```

```
duprateExpDensPlot(DupMat=dm)
title("SRR039951")
dev.off()

# Boxplot
duprateExpBoxplot(DupMat=dm)

# Exclusion of the following samples was done after analysis showed they
# failed quality control.

# remove 3 samples that have technical duplicates (SRR039951, SRR039937, SRR039938)
sample.metadata <- sample.metadata[-15,]
sample.metadata <- sample.metadata[-9,]
sample.metadata <- sample.metadata[-8,]</pre>
```

Samples that had technical duplicates were excluded from sample metadata and further analysis.

Reads quantification

HTSeq tool is used to count reads that aligned to the *T. brucei* genome. *T. brucei* annotation file is used and therefore HTSeq excludes counting *G. morsitans* reads that aligned to *Glossina* genome. The output is a text file for each sample that contains the number of reads that were counted for each gene.

```
#!/bin/bash
#Script to counts the number of reads aligned to T. brucei genome using HTSeq.
#Resource: HTSeq documentation https://htseq.readthedocs.io/en/latest/count.html
module load htseq/0.11.2
#create output directory if it doesn't exist
mkdir -p ../results/brucei_HTSeq_count_results
GFF FILE=$1
for bam_file in ../data/processed_data/bru-mor_bam/*.bam; do
   bam_file_name=$(basename "$bam_file" .bam)
        python /opt/apps/htseq/0.11.2/bin/htseq-count \
            -f bam \
            -s no \
            -t exon \
            -i Parent \
            $bam_file \
            $GFF_FILE \
            > ../results/brucei_HTSeq_count_results/${bam_file_name}.counts.txt
done
## Generating MultiQC report
```

```
#MultiQC aggregates results from FASTQC, HISAT2 and HTSeq analysis into an HTML formatted
#change directory to results
cd ../results

#Run multiqc
multiqc .

# create a directory for the multiQC report and move the output there.
mkdir -p brucei_multiqc_report
mv multiqc* brucei_multiqc_report/
```

Filtering out non-protein coding genes

Before loading the data into R, filter out the non-protein coding genes which include ncRNA, snRNA, snoRNA, pseudogenic transcripts, rRNA and tRNA.

Analysis in R

Importing samples count data into R

For further analysis, samples read counts are read into R. To read the sample counts data into R using the script below, simply type source(here::here("scripts","11_import-read-counts-into-r.R") on the R console and hit enter.

```
ignore.case = FALSE,
                           include.dirs = FALSE)
# we choose the 'all' series
myfiles <- hisat2.all</pre>
DT <- list()</pre>
# read each file as array element of DT and rename the last 2 cols
# we created a list of single sample tables
for (i in 1:length(myfiles) ) {
  infile = paste(cntdir, myfiles[i], sep = "/")
  DT[[myfiles[i]]] <- read.table(infile, header = F, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
  cnts <- gsub("(.*).counts.txt", "\\1", myfiles[i])</pre>
  colnames(DT[[myfiles[i]]]) <- c("ID", cnts)</pre>
# merge all elements based on first ID columns
data <- DT[[myfiles[1]]]</pre>
# inspect
#head(data)
# we now add each other table with the ID column as key
for (i in 2:length(myfiles)) {
  y <- DT[[myfiles[i]]]</pre>
 z <- merge(data, y, by = c("ID"))
  data <- z
}
# ID column becomes rownames
rownames(data) <- data$ID</pre>
data \leftarrow data[,-1]
## add total counts per sample
data <- rbind(data, tot.counts=colSums(data))</pre>
# inspect and look at the top row names!
#head(data)
#tail(data)
######################################
# take summary rows to a new table
# ( not starting with Tb and tmp with invert=TRUE )
# transpose table for readability
data.all.summary <- data[grep("^Tb|^tmp", rownames(data), perl=TRUE, invert=TRUE), ]</pre>
# review
#data.all.summary
# transpose table
t(data.all.summary)
```

Sample quality check

The quality of the samples is checked before further analysis to check for outlier and batch effects.

```
# for changing transcript ids to corresponding gene ids
gtf_file <- import("../data/TriTrypDB-43_TbruceiTREU927.gtf")</pre>
gene_and_transcript_id <- mcols(gtf_file)[,c("gene_id","transcript_id")]</pre>
gene_and_transcript_id <- unique(gene_and_transcript_id)</pre>
# Remove extra column from sample SRR965341 added while reading data into R
data.all["Var.2"] <- NULL</pre>
# Create a DGEList object
counts <- DGEList(data.all, group = sample.metadata$Tissue)</pre>
# check the number of genes with no expression in all samples
table(rowSums(counts$counts==0)==15)
#FALSE TRUE
# 9184
         792
# Filtering non-expressed and lowly-expressed genes.
keep.exprs <- filterByExpr(counts, group=sample.metadata$Sample_Name)
filtered.counts <- counts[keep.exprs,, keep.lib.sizes=FALSE]</pre>
# replace transcript ids with gene ids as rownames
filtered.counts.tmp <- tibble::rownames_to_column(as.data.frame(filtered.counts$counts),
                                                    "transcript_id")
filtered.counts.tmp$gene_id <- gene_and_transcript_id$gene_id[match(filtered.counts.tmp$transcript_id,
                                                                       gene_and_transcript_id$transcript_i
```

```
filtered.counts.tmp <- as.data.frame(filtered.counts.tmp) %>% remove_rownames %>%
  column_to_rownames(var = "gene_id")
filtered.counts.tmp$transcript id <- NULL
filtered.counts$counts <- as.matrix(filtered.counts.tmp)</pre>
# obtain logCPM unnormalized for plotting purposes.
# Here, the norm.factors value is 1 for all samples
logcpm.unnorm.counts <- cpm(filtered.counts, log = TRUE, prior.count = 2, normalized.lib.sizes = TRUE)
# Normalize for composition bias using TMM
filtered.counts <- calcNormFactors(filtered.counts, method = 'TMM')</pre>
# Convert counts per million per gene to log counts per million for further downstream analysis.
logcpm.norm.counts <- cpm(filtered.counts, log = TRUE, prior.count = 2, normalized.lib.sizes = TRUE)</pre>
# use ComBat to remove batch effects
modcombat <- model.matrix(~Tissue, data=sample.metadata)</pre>
logcpm.norm.counts.combat <- ComBat(dat=logcpm.norm.counts, batch = sample.metadata$Batch,</pre>
                                     mod = modcombat)
#Various plots are made for the samples before and after normalization.
####################################
#**Samples heatmap**
#####################################
sample_category <- nlevels(sample.metadata$Sample_Name)</pre>
colour.palette <- colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(sample_category, "Set2"))(sample_category)</pre>
sample.colours <- colour.palette[as.integer(sample.metadata$Sample_Name)]</pre>
# Unnormalized sample heatmap
png(filename = "../figures/figure01 unnormalized-sample-heatmap.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units
    width = 5, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
heatmap.2(cor(logcpm.unnorm.counts), RowSideColors=sample.colours, trace='none',
          main='Sample correlations', margins = c(8, 8), xlab="Sample", ylab="Sample")
dev.off()
# Normalized sample heatmap
png(filename = "../figures/figure01_normalized-sample-heatmap.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units =
    width = 5, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
heatmap.2(cor(logcpm.norm.counts), RowSideColors=sample.colours, trace='none',
          main='Sample correlations', margins = c(8, 8), xlab="Sample", ylab="Sample")
dev.off()
# plot to check removal of batch effects by ComBat
png(filename = "../figures/batch_effect_removal_analysis/figure01_combat-norm-sample-heatmap.png", res
    type = "cairo",
```

```
units = 'in',
   width = 5, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
heatmap.2(cor(logcpm.norm.counts.combat), RowSideColors=sample.colours, trace='none',
         main='Sample correlations', margins = c(8, 8), xlab="Sample", ylab="Sample")
dev.off()
#####################################
# **Samples density plot**
####################################
# Checking further using sample density plot
# raw data
log.counts <- log2(counts$counts + 1)</pre>
png("../figures/figure02_raw-sample-density.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
   width = 6, height = 6, pointsize = 10)
x <- melt(as.matrix(log.counts))</pre>
colnames(x) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'log')</pre>
ggplot(x, aes(x=log, color=sample)) + geom_density()
dev.off()
# filtered and unnormalized sample data
png("../figures/figure02_unnormalized-sample-density.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
   width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
x <- melt(as.matrix(logcpm.unnorm.counts))</pre>
colnames(x) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'logcpm')</pre>
ggplot(x, aes(x=logcpm, color=sample)) + geom_density()
dev.off()
# filtered and normalized sample data
png("../figures/figure02_normalized-sample-density.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
   width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
x <- melt(as.matrix(logcpm.norm.counts))</pre>
colnames(x) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'logcpm')</pre>
ggplot(x, aes(x=logcpm, color=sample)) + geom_density()
dev.off()
# **Principal component analysis**
# PCA
# raw samples PCA
pca.log.counts <- prcomp(t(log.counts)) # raw data (unnormalized and unfiltered)</pre>
```

```
png(filename = "../figures/figure03_raw-samples-PCA.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
    width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
autoplot(pca.log.counts,
         data = sample.metadata,
         colour="Sample_Name",
         size=3)
dev.off()
# unnormalized samples PCA
pca.log.counts <- prcomp(t(logcpm.unnorm.counts)) #unnormalized & filtered</pre>
png(filename = "../figures/figure03_unnormalized-sample-PCA.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'i
    width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
autoplot(pca.log.counts,
         data = sample.metadata,
         colour="Sample_Name",
         size=3)
dev.off()
# normalized samples PCA
pca.log.counts <- prcomp(t(logcpm.norm.counts)) #normalized & filtered
png(filename = "../figures/figure03_normalized-sample-PCA.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in'
    width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
autoplot(pca.log.counts,
         data = sample.metadata,
         colour="Sample Name",
         size=3)
dev.off()
# plot to check removal of batch effects by ComBat
pca.log.counts.combat <- prcomp(t(logcpm.norm.counts.combat)) #normalized & filtered
png(filename = "../figures/batch_effect_removal_analysis/figure03_combat-normalized-sample-PCA.png", re
    width = 6, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
autoplot(pca.log.counts.combat,
         data = sample.metadata,
         colour="Sample_Name",
         size=3)
dev.off()
########################
# **Boxplot**
########################
# raw sample boxplot
png(filename = "../figures/figure04_raw-sample-boxplot.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
    width = 4, height = 4, pointsize = 6)
y <- melt(as.matrix(log.counts))
colnames(y) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'log')</pre>
ggplot(y, aes(x=sample, y=log)) + geom_boxplot() +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90, vjust=0.5))
dev.off()
```

```
# unnormalized sample boxplot
png(filename = "../figures/figure04_unnormalized-sample-boxplot.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units
    width = 4, height = 4, pointsize = 6)
y <- melt(as.matrix(logcpm.unnorm.counts))</pre>
colnames(y) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'logcpm')</pre>
ggplot(y, aes(x=sample, y=logcpm)) + geom_boxplot() +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90, vjust=0.5))
dev.off()
# normalized sample boxplot
png(filename = "../figures/figure04_normalized-sample-boxplot.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units =
    width = 4, height = 4, pointsize = 6)
y <- melt(as.matrix(logcpm.norm.counts))</pre>
colnames(y) <- c('gene_id', 'sample', 'logcpm')</pre>
ggplot(y, aes(x=sample, y=logcpm)) + geom_boxplot() +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=90, vjust=0.5))
dev.off()
```

Weighted gene co-expression analysis

```
# obtain the required counts data (WGCNA input)
# WGCNA requires genes to be in columns
network.counts <- t(logcpm.norm.counts.combat)</pre>
# determine the soft-thresholding power to use
powers <- c(c(1:10), seq(from = 12, to=20, by=2))
sft <- pickSoftThreshold(network.counts, powerVector = powers, verbose = 5)</pre>
# Plot to determine the soft thresholding power to use.
# Scale-free topology fit index as a function of the soft-thresholding power
png(filename = "../figures/figure05_soft-thresholding-power.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'i.
   width = 4, height = 4, pointsize = 10)
plot(sft$fitIndices[,1], -sign(sft$fitIndices[,3])*sft$fitIndices[,2],
    xlab="Soft Threshold (power)",
    ylab="Scale Free Topology Model Fit, signed R^2", type="n",
    main = paste("Scale independence"));
text(sft$fitIndices[,1], -sign(sft$fitIndices[,3])*sft$fitIndices[,2],
    labels=powers,cex=cex1,col="red");
# The red line corresponds to using an R^2 cut-off of h
abline(h=0.80,col="red")
dev.off()
# Mean connectivity as a function of the soft-thresholding power
png(filename = "../figures/figure05_mean-connectivity.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
   width = 4, height = 5, pointsize = 10)
plot(sft$fitIndices[,1], sft$fitIndices[,5],
    xlab="Soft Threshold (power)",
    ylab="Mean Connectivity", type="n",
    main = paste("Mean connectivity"))
text(sft$fitIndices[,1], sft$fitIndices[,5], labels=powers, cex=cex1,col="red")
dev.off()
## Constructing the network
# construct adjacency matrix
softpower <- 14
adjacency.matrix <- adjacency(network.counts, power=softpower,
                            type = "signed", corFnc = "cor")
# Turn the adjacency matrix to topologicaal overlap matrix to minimize
# the effects of noise and spurious associations
TOM <- TOMsimilarity(adjacency.matrix, TOMType = "signed")
dissTOM <- 1 - TOM
#set diagonal to NA to remove uninformative correlations
diag(adjacency.matrix) <- NA</pre>
```

```
# Adjacency matrix heatmap plot / network heatmap of selected genes
heatmap indices <- sample(nrow(adjacency.matrix), 500) # sub-sample for visualization purposes
png(filename = "../figures/figure06_adjacency-matrix-heatmap.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = '
   width = 5, height = 5, pointsize = 10)
heatmap.2(t(adjacency.matrix[heatmap_indices, heatmap_indices]),
         col=redgreen(75),
         labRow=NA, labCol=NA,
         trace='none', dendrogram='row',
         xlab='Gene', ylab='Gene',
         main='Adjacency matrix',
         density.info='none', revC=TRUE)
dev.off()
# remove adjacency matrix and TOM to free up memory
rm(adjacency.matrix)
gc()
## Detecting co-expression modules in R
# view the dendrogram based on hierachical clustering of genes
gene.tree <- flashClust(as.dist(dissTOM), method = "average")</pre>
# plot the gene tree
png(filename = "../figures/figure07_gene-tree.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in',
   width = 7, height = 8, pointsize = 10)
#sizeGrWindow(12,9) #open graphical window
plot(gene.tree, xlab="", sub="", main = "Gene clustering based on TOM dissimilarity",
    labels = FALSE, hang = 0.04)
dev.off()
# identify the modules
module.labels <- cutreeDynamicTree(gene.tree, deepSplit = FALSE,</pre>
                                 minModuleSize = 30)
#111.0111
table(module.labels)
# convert labels to colours
module.colours <- labels2colors(module.labels)</pre>
# 117.0111
table(module.colours)
# a list of 28 modules
```

```
# black
                 blue
                               brown
                                              cyan
                                                        darkgreen
# 438
                               547
                                                            102
                614
                                             219
# darkgrey
                                                               green
              darkorange
                                darkred darkturquoise
                                            100
# 93
                              106
                                                           528
# greenyellow
                        areu
                                    grey60
                                               lightcyan
                                                             lightgreen
# 251
                 59
                               191
                                             193
                                                            164
# lightyellow
                             midnightblue
                                                                   pink
                    magenta
                                                   orange
                               200
                                                            383
# 129
                264
                                              86
                            royalblue
# purple
                                             salmon
                   red
                                                               tan
# 251
                460
                               127
                                             230
                                                            243
                                  yellow
# turquoise
                    white
# 732
                 61
                               539
# visualize the gene tree and TOM matrix together using TOM plot
# if necessary, raise dissTOM to a power to make moderately strong connection more visible in heatmap
diag(dissTOM) <- NA</pre>
png(filename = "../figures/figure08_gene_tree_and_dissTOM.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in'
    width = 5, height = 6, pointsize = 10)
TOMplot(dissTOM, gene.tree, as.character(module.colours))
dev.off()
# remove matrix to free memory
rm(dissTOM)
gc()
# plot gene dendrogram
png(filename = "../figures/figure09_gene-tree-and-colours.png", res =1200, type = "cairo", units = 'in'
    width = 6, height = 6, pointsize = 10)
#sizeGrWindow(8,6) #open graphical window
plotDendroAndColors(gene.tree, module.colours, "Dynamic Tree Cut", dendroLabels = FALSE,
                    hang = 0.03, addGuide = TRUE, guideHang = 0.05,
                    main = "Gene dendrogram and module colours")
dev.off()
# get hub genes
# choose power 4: https://support.bioconductor.org/p/46342/
module.hub.genes <- chooseTopHubInEachModule(network.counts, module.colours,</pre>
                                              power = 4,type = "signed")
# # A list of module hub genes
# black
                    blue
                                     brown
                                                        cyan
# "Tb927.7.1790"
                    "Tb927.8.3620"
                                    "Tb927.11.1570"
                                                       "Tb927.2.5530"
                     darkqrey
# darkgreen
                                                         darkred
                                    darkorange
# "Tb927.11.14020"
                     "Tb927.9.9450"
                                        "Tb927.8.710"
                                                         "Tb927.2.5270"
# darkturquoise
                                       greenyellow
                                                              grey60
                            green
# "Tb927.8.6650" "Tb927.10.13790"
                                      "Tb927.7.920"
                                                      "Tb927.10.3820"
# lightcyan
                  lightgreen
                                   lightyellow
                                                         magenta
# "Tb927.11.6440"
                    "Tb927.10.720"
                                     "Tb927.10.2560"
                                                        "Tb927.9.6290"
# midnightblue
                          orange
                                             pink
                                                             purple
# "Tb927.11.6640"
                     "Tb927.9.2520"
                                     "Tb927.10.6200"
                                                         "Tb927.1.600"
# red
             royalblue
                                  salmon
```

```
# "Tb927.7.6920" "Tb927.10.15680" "Tb927.11.1450"
                                                   "Tb927.3.2930"
                                     yellow
# turquoise
                    white
# "Tb927.9.15630"
                  "Tb927.8.7980"
                                    "Tb927.1.3550"
## Network export to cytoscape
# select modules of interest
interesting.modules <- c('black', 'cyan', 'grey', 'brown',</pre>
                        'midnightblue', 'blue', 'darkgreen', 'tan', 'darkgrey', 'darkorange',
                        'darkred', 'darkturquoise', 'green', 'greenyellow', 'grey60', 'lightcyan',
                        'lightgreen', 'lightyellow', 'magenta', 'orange', 'pink', 'purple', 'red',
                        'royalblue', 'salmon', 'turquoise', 'white', 'yellow') # all module colours
# enriched modules
enriched.modules <- c("black","tan","brown","blue","turquoise","magenta","darkturquoise",</pre>
                     "green", "red", "pink", "salmon", "lightyellow", "purple", "greenyellow")
# obtain gene ids
gene.ids <- rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat)</pre>
# select module genes
inModules <- is.finite(match(module.colours, interesting.modules)) # whole network modules</pre>
#inModules <- is.finite(match(module.colours, enriched.modules)) # enriched modules
modGenes <- gene.ids[inModules]</pre>
# select the corresponding dissTOM based on module genes
modTOM <- TOM[inModules, inModules]</pre>
dimnames(modTOM) <- list(modGenes, modGenes)</pre>
# Export the network into edge and node list files Cytoscape can read
exportNetworkToCytoscape(modTOM,
                        edgeFile = "../results/cytoscape_input_files/CytoscapeInput-edges_whole_networ."
                        nodeFile = "../results/cytoscape input files/CytoscapeInput-nodes whole networ
                        weighted = TRUE,
                        threshold = 0.3,
                        nodeNames = modGenes,
                        nodeAttr = module.colours[inModules]);
# network modules
# create a dataframe with node attributes
enriched.module.colours <- module.colours[inModules] #get enriched module colours from module.colours
node.attributes <- cbind(modGenes, module=enriched.module.colours) # node atrr. for enriched modules
#node.attributes <- cbind(modGenes, module=module.colours) # qet node attr. for whole network
node.attributes <- as.data.frame(node.attributes)</pre>
# Add RGB versions of colour modules
```

Functional Analysis

Code used in finctional analysis was adopted from https://github.com/elsayed-lab/manuscript-shared-rnaseq

Loading annotations from the packages

```
# load gene annotations from packages
orgdb <- get("Trypanosoma.brucei.TREU927")</pre>
# Fix AnnotationDbi namespace mess
assign('select', dplyr::select, envir=.GlobalEnv)
assign('get', base::get, envir=.GlobalEnv)
gene_info <- load_parasite_annotations(orgdb, rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),</pre>
                                    keytype="GID")
# Get transcript lengths (sum of all exon lengths for each gene)
txdb <- orgdb@txdbSlot
transcript_lengths <- transcriptLengths(txdb)</pre>
transcript_lengths <- transcript_lengths[transcript_lengths$gene_id %in%
                                        gene_info$gene_id,]
gene_info[match(transcript_lengths$gene_id, gene_info$gene_id),
         'transcript_length'] <- transcript_lengths$tx_len</pre>
gene_info$transcript_length <- as.numeric(gene_info$transcript_length)</pre>
# A gene was excluded in the annotation database as a result of an orphan transcript.
#Add its placeholder.
## ---not run---
gene_info <- rbind(gene_info, data.frame(gene_id='Tb927.4.4663',</pre>
                                      chromosome='4',
                                      description=NA, strand=NA, type=NA,
                                      transcript length=NA))
# Keep only the feature information remaining genes
gene_info <- gene_info[gene_info$gene_id %in% rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),] #WGCNA input counts
# For now, just grab the description for the first transcript
#gene_info <- gene_info[!duplicated(gene_info$gene_id),]</pre>
```

```
# Gene IDs
gene_ids <- rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat)</pre>
# gene annotations preview
kable(head(gene info), caption='Preview of gene annotations.')
# load GO terms associated with each parasite gene that were downloaded from Tritrypdb
# T. brucei qo term annotations file path
\#go\_term\_mapping <- "\sim /tbrucei\_annotation\_package/build/3.6.0/TriTrypDB-43\_TbruceiTREU927\_go\_table.txt"
#qo_terms <- read.table(qo_term_mapping, header = TRUE)</pre>
# load go terms from annotation package instead
go_terms <- load_go_terms(orgdb, rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),</pre>
                     kevtvpe='GID')
# Exclude genes not found in count table --not run--
#go_terms <- go_terms[go_terms$GID %in% rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),]
# gene / go term mapping
gene_go_mapping <- as.data.frame(unique(go_terms %>% select(GID, GO, ONTOLOGY)))
colnames(gene_go_mapping) <- c('gene', 'category', 'ontology')</pre>
# go id / term mapping
go_term_id_mapping <- as.data.frame(unique(go_terms[c('GO', 'TERM', 'ONTOLOGY')]))</pre>
colnames(go_term_id_mapping) <- c("category", "term", "ontology")</pre>
# Load KEGG annotations
gene_kegg_mapping <- load_kegg_mapping(orgdb, rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),</pre>
                                keytype="GID")
kegg_pathways <- load_kegg_pathways(orgdb, rownames(logcpm.norm.counts.combat),</pre>
                             keytype="GID")
# Rename gene/KEGG mapping columns to be consistent with GO mapping
colnames(gene_kegg_mapping) <- c('gene', 'category')</pre>
colnames(kegg_pathways) <- c('category', 'name', 'class', 'description')</pre>
kegg_pathways <- unique(kegg_pathways)</pre>
# GO Enrichment
# save required variables obtained earlier in analysis with variable names of the code below
module_colors <- module.colours</pre>
```

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gene_tree <-gene.tree</pre>
wgcna_input <- logcpm.norm.counts.combat</pre>
modules_of_interest <- interesting.modules</pre>
num_modules <- length(unique(module_colors))</pre>
# save the module sizes
# Data frame of module sizes
module_counts <- c()</pre>
for (color in unique(module_colors)) {
 module_counts <- append(module_counts, sum(module_colors == color))</pre>
# create a mapping from module id to number of genes for later use
module_sizes <- data.frame(module_id=unique(module_colors),</pre>
                            num genes=module counts)
\# Initialize parallelization
cl <- makeCluster(max(1, min(10, detectCores() - 2, na.rm = TRUE)))</pre>
registerDoParallel(cl)
message("Performing GO enrichment")
# Check each module for enrichment in GO terms and save result in a list
module_go_enrichment <- foreach(color=unique(module_colors), .packages=c('goseq')) %dopar% {</pre>
  set.seed(1)
  # Measure GO enrichment for module
  enriched <- tryCatch({</pre>
    # module gene ids
    in module geneids <- gene ids[module colors == color]</pre>
    message(sprintf("[GO enrichment] %s", color))
    # T. brucei GO enrichment
    enriched <- test_gene_enrichment(in_module_geneids, gene_ids,</pre>
                                       gene_go_mapping, gene_lengths)
    # Add descriptions
    enriched <- merge(enriched, go_term_id_mapping, by='category')</pre>
  }, error=function(e) {
    # qoseq fails in some cases; have not been able to track down cause yet
    # to avoid errors we will just return an empty result set
    warning(sprintf("GO enrichment failed for module %s", color))
      get_enrichment_placeholder(),
      term=numeric(0),
      ontology=numeric(0)
  })
  enriched
names(module_go_enrichment) <- unique(module_colors)</pre>
# remove any null/empty entries from the results
module_go_enrichment <- module_go_enrichment[!sapply(module_go_enrichment, is.null)]
```

```
# unregister cpus
stopCluster(cl)
# Print enrichment results
# temporarily repeat the gene / go term mapping to add 'term' column
gene_go_mapping_tmp <- as.data.frame(unique(go_terms %>% select(GID, GO, TERM, ONTOLOGY)))
colnames(gene_go_mapping_tmp) <- c('gene', 'category', 'term', 'ontology')</pre>
gene_info_tmp <- gene_info %>% select(-chromosome, -strand,
                                      - type, -transcript_length)
colnames(gene_info_tmp) <- c("gene", "description")</pre>
tmp <- cbind(gene_info_tmp, color=module_colors)</pre>
#tmp <- cbind(qene=qene_ids, color=module_colors)</pre>
gene_mapping <- merge(gene_go_mapping_tmp, tmp, by='gene')</pre>
cat(sprintf('- Total enriched modules: %d\n',
            sum(sapply(module_go_enrichment, nrow) > 0)))
# create tables of the results in this document
print_enrichment_results(module_go_enrichment, module_sizes, 'GO terms',
                        \#NULL, gene\_mapping, output\_dir='.../results/printed\_enrichment\_results',
                        NULL, gene_mapping,
                        enrichment_type='go',
                        include_gene_lists=FALSE)
enriched_colors_go <- get_enriched_modules(module_go_enrichment)</pre>
# Module enrichment status (used in dendrogram plots)
go_enrichment_status <- as.numeric(module_colors %in% enriched_colors_go)</pre>
# KEGG Enrichment
# Check each module for enrichment in KEGG terms and save result in a list
cl <- makeCluster(max(1, min(10, detectCores() - 2, na.rm = TRUE)))</pre>
registerDoParallel(cl)
message("Performing KEGG enrichment")
# Check each module for enrichment in GO terms and save result in a list
module_kegg_enrichment <- foreach(color=unique(module_colors), .packages=c('goseq')) %dopar% {</pre>
  set.seed(1)
  # Measure KEGG enrichment for module
  enriched <- tryCatch({</pre>
    in_module_geneids <- gene_ids[module_colors == color]</pre>
```

```
enriched <- test_gene_enrichment(in_module_geneids, gene_ids,</pre>
                                      gene_kegg_mapping, gene_lengths)
    enriched <- unique(merge(enriched, kegg_pathways[,c('category','name')],</pre>
                              by='category'))
  }, error=function(e) {
    # goseq fails in some cases; have not been able to track down cause yet
    warning(sprintf("KEGG enrichment failed for module %s", color))
    return(get_enrichment_placeholder())
  })
  enriched
names(module_kegg_enrichment) <- unique(module_colors)</pre>
# remove any null/empty entries from the results
module_kegg_enrichment <- module_kegg_enrichment[!sapply(module_kegg_enrichment, is.null)]
# unregister cpus
stopCluster(cl)
cat(sprintf('- Total enriched modules: %d\n',
            sum(sapply(module_kegg_enrichment, nrow) > 0)))
# create tables of the results in this document
print_enrichment_results(module_kegg_enrichment, module_sizes,
                          'KEGG pathway',
                         #output_dir='../results/printed_enrichment_results',
                         enrichment_type='kegg')
enriched_colors_kegg <- get_enriched_modules(module_kegg_enrichment)</pre>
# Module enrichment status (used in dendrogram plots)
kegg_enrichment_status <- as.numeric(module_colors %in% enriched_colors_kegg)</pre>
cat('\n### Dendrogram with annotated modules\n')
unassigned_modules <- as.numeric(module_colors == 'grey')</pre>
png(filename = "../figures/figure10 gene-tree-and-module-enrichment-status.png", res =1200,
    type = "cairo", units = 'in', width = 6, height = 6, pointsize = 10)
WGCNA::plotDendroAndColors(gene_tree,
                           cbind(module_colors, go_enrichment_status,
                                  kegg_enrichment_status, unassigned_modules),
                           groupLabels=c(sprintf("Modules\n(n=%s)", num_modules),
                                          #sprintf("Red = upregulated at %s", CONFIG$de_cond2),
                                          "GO enrichment", "KEGG enrichment", "Unassigned"),
                            #cex.colorLabels=cex_color_labels, cex.main=cex_main,
                            # cex.axis=cex_axis, cex.lab=cex_lab,
                           dendroLabels=FALSE,
```

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\#marAll=c(4,8,6,4),
                         guideHang=0.05)
dev.off()
### Module labels mappings
module_label_mapping <- rbind(cbind(modules_of_interest,</pre>
                                  seq along(modules of interest)),
                            cbind(remaining modules, #remaining modules variable?
                                  seq along(remaining modules) +
                                    length(modules_of_interest)))
module_label_mapping <- as.data.frame(module_label_mapping)</pre>
colnames(module_label_mapping) <- c('color', 'number')</pre>
####################################
### Save results
###################################
## Save results
# Save enrichment results as text files
module_output_dir <- "../results/enrichment_results"</pre>
if (!dir.exists(module output dir)) {
 dir.create(module output dir, recursive=TRUE)
}
# GO enrichment
output_module_enrichment_results(module_go_enrichment, module_output_dir,
                               'go', go_term_id_mapping)
# KEGG enrichment
output_module_enrichment_results(module_kegg_enrichment, module_output_dir,
                               'kegg', kegg_pathways %>% select(-description))
# Create result data frame
result <- cbind(gene_info, color=module_colors)</pre>
# drop unneeded columns
keep_cols <- intersect(c('gene_id', 'color', 'description', 'chromosome',</pre>
                        'strand', 'transcript length'), colnames(result))
result <- tbl df(result[,keep cols])</pre>
# add expression-related fields
result$expr_variance <- apply(wgcna_input, 1, var)</pre>
result$expr_mean <- apply(wgcna_input, 1, mean)</pre>
# replace colors with numbers
#module_colors <- module_label_mapping$number[match(module_colors, module_label_mapping$color)]</pre>
#result$color <- module_label_mapping$number[match(result$color, module_label_mapping$color)]</pre>
```

```
# Write out an excel/csv file for the result dataframe
write.table(result, file="../results/coexpression_network_genes.txt", quote = FALSE, sep = "\t")
write.xlsx(result, file="../results/coexpression network genes.xlsx")
correlation_matrix <- cor(network.counts) # check this further to determine whether relationship is cor
# Module Stats
# main_contrast: variable useful if 'result' variable has Differential expression column specified
# "de_comparisons"
#--this code did not work--
module_stats <- create_module_stats_df(result, correlation_matrix,</pre>
                                     wgcna_input,main_contrast)
# Write module stats to a file
write.csv(module_stats, file="../results/module_stats.csv",row.names=FALSE, quote=FALSE)
# Save module enrichment results in a dataframe and write out to excel
black <- module_go_enrichment$black</pre>
tan <- module go enrichment$tan
brown <- module_go_enrichment$brown</pre>
blue <- module go enrichment$blue
turquoise <- module_go_enrichment$turquoise</pre>
magenta <- module go enrichment$magenta
darkturquoise <- module_go_enrichment$darkturquoise</pre>
green <- module_go_enrichment$green</pre>
red <- module_go_enrichment$red</pre>
pink <- module_go_enrichment$pink</pre>
salmon <- module_go_enrichment$salmon</pre>
lightyellow <- module_go_enrichment$lightyellow</pre>
greenyellow <- module_go_enrichment$greenyellow</pre>
purple <- module_go_enrichment$purple</pre>
go_enrichment_df_list <- c("black","tan","brown","blue","turquoise","magenta","darkturquoise",</pre>
                         "green", "red", "pink", "salmon", "lightyellow", "greenyellow", "purple")
for(name in go enrichment df list){
 write.xlsx(x = get(name),
            file = "../results/Module go enrichment results.xlsx",
            sheetName = name, append=TRUE, row.names = FALSE)
}
#save KEGG enrichment results
red <- module_kegg_enrichment$red</pre>
pink <- module_kegg_enrichment$pink</pre>
lightyellow <- module_kegg_enrichment$lightyellow</pre>
blue <- module_kegg_enrichment$blue</pre>
yellow <- module_kegg_enrichment$yellow</pre>
lightcyan <- module_kegg_enrichment$lightcyan</pre>
magenta <- module_kegg_enrichment$magenta</pre>
```

```
kegg_enrichment_df_list <- c("blue", "magenta", "red", "pink", "lightyellow", "yellow", "lightcyan")
for(name in kegg enrichment df list){
 write.xlsx(x = get(name),
           file = "../results/Module_kegg_enrichment_results.xlsx",
           sheetName = name, append=TRUE, row.names = FALSE)
}
# save module hub genes domain description
module_hub_genes_description <- gene_info %>% filter(gene_id %in% as.data.frame(module.hub.genes)$modul
module_hub_genes_df <- as.data.frame(module.hub.genes)</pre>
module_hub_genes_df <- tibble::rownames_to_column(module_hub_genes_df, var="module")</pre>
module_hub_genes_domain_description <- merge(module_hub_genes_df, module_hub_genes_description,
                                        by.x="module.hub.genes", by.y="gene_id")
# reorder and rename columns
module_hub_genes_domain_description <- module_hub_genes_domain_description[,c(2,1,3)]
module_hub_genes_domain_description <- module_hub_genes_domain_description %>%
 dplyr::rename(hub_gene=module.hub.genes)
write.xlsx(module_hub_genes_domain_description,
         file = "../results/hub_genes.xlsx",
          #append = TRUE,
         row.names = FALSE)
# Add hub genes and description to top GO terms in each module
modules_top_over_represented_go_terms <-readxl::read_excel('../results/modules_top_over_represented_go_
enriched_modules_hub_genes <- module_hub_genes_domain_description %>% filter(module %in% modules_top_ov
modules_top_over_represented_go_terms_and_hub_genes <- merge(modules_top_over_represented_go_terms,
                                                      enriched modules hub genes, by="module")
write.xlsx(modules_top_over_represented_go_terms_and_hub_genes,
         file = "../results/modules_top_over_represented_go_terms_and_hub_genes.xlsx",
          #append = TRUE,
         row.names = FALSE)
# write to excel DE hub genes expressed through out life cycle stages and their different LogFC in cont
contrast_common_de_genes_logFC_hub_genes <- contrast_common_de_genes_logFC %% filter(gene_id %in% modu
modules_top_over_represented_go_terms_and_hub_genes_logFC <- merge(modules_top_over_represented_go_term
                                                            contrast_common_de_genes_logFC_hub_g
```

FIRE (Finding Informative Regulatory Elements)

Module genes and their module labels are required as input by FIRE (Finding Informative Regulatory Elements). Hence we write out text files with this input. Motif prediction was performed online at https://tavazoielab.c2b2.columbia.edu/FIRE/

```
# write out cluster/module genes and their corresponding module labels for use by
# FIRE (Finding Informative Regulatory Elements)
fire.clusters <- data.frame(modGenes, module.labels[inModules])</pre>
fire.clusters.colours <- data.frame(modGenes, module.labels[inModules], module.colours[inModules])
# sort by module labels; FIRE input should start from 0 in module labels column.
fire.clusters <- fire.clusters[order(fire.clusters$module.labels.inModules.), c(1,2)]
fire.clusters.colours <- fire.clusters.colours[order(fire.clusters.colours$module.labels.inModules.),
                                                c(1,2,3)
# rename columns
colnames(fire.clusters) <- c("gene", "label")</pre>
colnames(fire.clusters.colours) <- c("gene", "label","colour")</pre>
write.table(as.data.frame(fire.clusters), file = "../results/tbrucei_FIRE_expression_clusters.txt",
            quote = FALSE, row.names = FALSE, sep = "\t")
# Also, write out module genes in a text file.
write.table(data.frame(modGenes),
            file = "../results/tbrucei_module_genes.txt",
            row.names = FALSE,
            quote = FALSE,
            col.names = FALSE)
```