

# HowTo Use pISA-tree in R

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## 1 Introduction

The package **pisar** implements functions that can be used to use pISA-tree metadata and pISA-tree standardized directory tree in R. The benefit for making reports reproducible is to get all details about the file positions from the pISA metadata.

pISA-tree is a system to organize research data in a structured way.

*Enter the pISA-tree description here*

## 2 Get the pISA-tree information

First you need to load the **pisar** package.

```
> library(pisar)
```

A data analysis report usually starts from a directory, that is included in an Assay layer, with class DRY and type R. The **pisar** package comes with a pISA directory tree that can be used for demonstration:

```
> astring <- "_p_Demo/_I_Test/_S_Show/_A_Work-R/other"
```

We have a project 'Demo', an Investigation Test with Study Show and Assay Work. In our case, we will use the folder **other** as R session working directory.

```
> .pisaPath <- system.file("extdata", astring, package = "pisar")
> oldwd <- getwd()
> if (interactive()) {
+   oldwd <- setwd(.pisaPath)
+   strsplit(getwd(), "/")
+ }
```

If you are working with knitr, use:

```
> opts_knit$set(root.dir = .pisaPath)
```

We can check the content of the working directory, that contains at least a README.MD file:

```
> dir()

[1] "_outputFile.R" "README.MD"

> readLines("README.MD")

[1] "# Other files for assay Work-R "
```

### 3 Layer's root directory

For navigation around the pISA tree, we can rely on layered structure. All layers are somewhere above the working directory. This enables relative paths: read two dots (..) as 'parent' and one dot (.) as 'here'.

Let's see the relative paths to the layers and check existence of the meta-data files:

Project:

```
> .proot <- getRoot("p")
> .proot
[1] "../..../.."
> dir(.proot, pattern = glob2rx("*.TXT"))
[1] "_PROJECT_METADATA.TXT"
```

Investigation:

```
> .iroot <- getRoot("I")
> .iroot
[1] "../..../.."
> dir(.iroot, pattern = glob2rx("*.TXT"))
[1] "_INVESTIGATION_METADATA.TXT"
```

Study:

```
> .sroot <- getRoot("S")
> .sroot
[1] "../.."
> dir(.sroot, pattern = glob2rx("*.TXT"))
[1] "_STUDY_METADATA.TXT"
```

Assay:

```
> .aroot <- getRoot("A")
> .aroot
[1] ".."
> dir(.aroot, pattern = glob2rx("*.TXT"))
[1] "_Assay_METADATA.TXT"
```

## 4 Metadata files

Metadata files contain Key/Value pair lines with detailed information about the layer. We can read them with the function **readMeta()**:

```
> .proot
```

```
[1] "../.../.../..."
```

```
> .pmeta <- readMeta(.proot)
```

In addition to read the metadata information as a **data.frame**, function **readMeta()** sets two additional class values, which enables nicer printing:

```
> str(.pmeta)
```

```
Classes 'pISAMeta', 'Dlist' and 'data.frame':      16 obs. of  2 variables:
 $ Key   : chr  "Short Name:" "Title:" "Description:" "pISA projects path:" ...
 $ Value : chr  "Demo" "Project demonstration" "This is a demo project for R pack
```

Indentation of the Value part depends on the line widths and we will set it to some higher value.

```
> .pmeta
```

Key	Value
Short Name:	Demo
Title:	Project demonstration
Description:	This is a demo project for R package 'pisar'.
pISA projects path:	D:/OMIKE/pISA
Local pISA-tree organisation:	NIB
pISA project creation date:	2019-10-15
pISA project creator:	AB
Project funding code:	*
Project coordinator:	*
Project partners:	*
Project start date:	2018-01-01
Project end date:	2021-12-31
Principal investigator:	*
License:	CC BY 4.0
Sharing permission:	Private
Upload to FAIRDOMHub:	Yes

We can get other metadata information:

```
> (.imeta <- readMeta(.iroot))
```

Key	Value
Short Name:	Test
Title:	Test investigation
Description:	Investigation - for demonstration purposes.
Phenodata:	./phenodata_20191015.txt
pISA Investigation creation date:	2019-10-15
pISA Investigation creator:	AB
Principal investigator:	*
License:	CC BY 4.0
Sharing permission:	Private
Upload to FAIRDOMHub:	Yes

```
> (.smeta <- readMeta(.sroot))
```

Key	Value
Short Name:	Show
Title:	Testing study
Description:	Test study for demonstration only.
Raw Data:	
pISA Study creation date:	2019-10-15
pISA Study creator:	AB
Principal investigator:	*
License:	CC BY 4.0
Sharing permission:	Private
Upload to FAIRDOMHub:	Yes

```
> (.ameta <- readMeta(.aroot))
```

Key	Value
Short Name:	Work-R
Assay Class:	DRY
Assay Type:	R
Title:	Working in assay
Description:	Not really working, just testing :)
pISA Assay creation date:	2019-10-15

```
pISA Assay creator:      AB
Analyst:                 AB
Phenodata:               ../../phenodata_20191015.txt
Featuredata:
Data:
```

## 5 Getting specific parts from the metadata object

In addition to usual data extraction methods (using square brackets), we can do it with a function `getMeta()`:

Get the title of the project:

```
> getMeta(.pmeta, "Title")
[1] "Project demonstration"

> getMeta(.pmeta, "Title:")
[1] "Project demonstration"
```

As we can see, the requested item value can be used with or without the colon.

```
> getMeta(.ameta, "Description")
[1] "Not really working, just testing :)"
```

## 6 All together

All metadata information and some additional useful directory path strings can be extracted with the function `pisa()`:

```
> p <- pisa()
```

The result is a list with metadata information. The elements are described in the function's help file '`?pisa`'.

Access the individual parts is as usual:

```
> p$A
```

```

$name
[1] "_A_Work-R"

$root
[1] ".."

$meta
  Key                               Value
  ---                               -
Short Name:                         Work-R
Assay Class:                        DRY
Assay Type:                         R
Title:                             Working in assay
Description:                         Not really working, just testing :)
pISA Assay creation date: 2019-10-15
pISA Assay creator:                 AB
Analyst:                           AB
Phenodata:                         ../../phenodata_20191015.txt
Featuredata:
Data:

  Path to Study level:

> p$S$root

[1] "../../.."

```

In addition, we get dot-named objects (similar as above) in the global environment. For details, see help for function **pisa()**. The dot-named objects are hidden, so we need to list them as

```

> ls(pattern = "^\\.\\.", all.names = TRUE)

[1] ".ameta"    ".aname"    ".aroot"    ".ffn"      ".imeta"
[6] ".iname"    ".inroot"   ".iroot"    ".oroot"    ".outfn"
[11] ".pfn"      ".pisaPath" ".pmeta"    ".pname"    ".proot"
[16] ".reproot" ".rnwfn"    ".smeta"    ".sname"    ".sroot"

```

## 7 To end

Reset working directory, if needed.

```
> opts_knit$set(root.dir = oldwd)
> if (interactive()) setwd(oldwd)
```



## SessionInfo

Windows 10 x64 (build 19042)

- R version 4.0.2 (2020-06-22), x86\_64-w64-mingw32
- Locale: LC\_COLLATE=Slovenian\_Slovenia.1250,  
LC\_CTYPE=Slovenian\_Slovenia.1250,  
LC\_MONETARY=Slovenian\_Slovenia.1250, LC\_NUMERIC=C,  
LC\_TIME=Slovenian\_Slovenia.1250
- Running under: Windows 10 x64 (build 19042)
- Matrix products: default
- Base packages: base, datasets, graphics, grDevices, methods, stats,  
utils
- Other packages: knitr 1.30, pisan 0.1.0.9000
- Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): cellranger 1.1.0,  
compiler 4.0.2, crayon 1.3.4, curl 4.3, data.table 1.13.2, ellipsis 0.3.1,  
evaluate 0.14, forcats 0.5.0, foreign 0.8-80, formatR 1.7, haven 2.3.1,  
hms 1.0.0, lifecycle 0.2.0, magrittr 2.0.1, openxlsx 4.2.3, pillar 1.4.7,  
pkgconfig 2.0.3, Rcpp 1.0.5, readxl 1.3.1, rio 0.5.16, rlang 0.4.10,  
stringi 1.5.3, stringr 1.4.0, tibble 3.0.4, tools 4.0.2, vctrs 0.3.6,  
xfun 0.19, zip 2.1.1