

The Xeva user’s guide

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1 Introduction

The Xeva package provides efficient and powerful functions for patient driven xenograft (PDX) based pharmacogenomic data analysis.

2 Installation and Settings

Xeva requires that several packages are installed. However, all dependencies are available from CRAN or Bioconductor.

```
source('http://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R')
biocLite('Xeva')
```

Load Xeva into your current workspace:

```
library(Xeva)
```

Load PDXE breast cancer dataset:

```
data(brca)
print(brca)

## Xeva-set name: PDXE.BRCA
## Creation date: Fri Sep 14 11:41:33 2018
## Number of models: 849
## Number of drugs: 22
## Molecular dataset: RNASeq, mutation, cnv
```

3 Definitions

Before we further dive into the analysis and visualization, it is important to understand terms used in the Xeva package. In a **Xeva** object, the **experiment** slot stores each individual PDX/mouse data. Other than the tumor growth data (time vs. tumor volume), for each individual PDX/mouse we can have meta data such as patient's age, sex, tissue histology, passage information etc. All this data is stored using the class **pdxModel** and a unique id called `model.id` is given to each PDX/mouse model. We will see later how to get data for an individual *model.id*.

A PDX experiment can be one of the two categories:

- **treatment** are the experiments in which PDX receives drug (or drug combination)
- **control** are the experiments where PDX receives no drug

To see the effect of the drug several replicate experiments are done for control and treatment. In **Xeva** a collection of PDX *model.ids* which are originating from the same patient are called *batch*. A *batch* has two arms: *control* and *treatment*. This is illustrated in figure 1.

A **Xeva** object binds together all individual experiments, batch information and molecular data into one single class **XevaSet**.

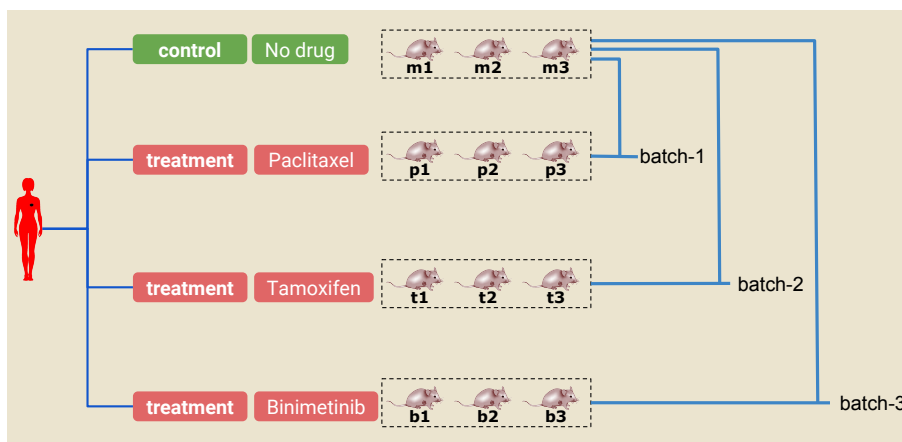


Figure 1: A PDX experiment

Text under the each PDX (e.g. m1, m2, p1 etc.) denotes *model.id* in **Xeva**. In this example three PDX are declared as control (m1, m2 and m3). Similarly in a treatment arm 3 PDXs are given drug paclitaxel (p1, p2 and p3). The PDXs in control arm and one of the treatment arm together constitute a *batch*. For example control arm models (m1, m2, m3) and treatment arm models (t1, t2, t3) together create a batch called batch-2.

4 Data Access

As mentioned earlier **Xeva** stores data for each individual PDX model. We can retrieve meta-information about PDX such as number of models and tissue type see the information about models using:

```
brca.mod <- modelInfo(brca)
dim(brca.mod)

## [1] 849 5

brca.mod[1:4, ]

##           model.id tissue  tissue.name patient.id      drug
## X.1004.BG98 X.1004.BG98  BRCA Breast Cancer    X-1004    BGJ398
## X.1004.biib X.1004.biib  BRCA Breast Cancer    X-1004 binimetinib
## X.1004.BK20 X.1004.BK20  BRCA Breast Cancer    X-1004    BKM120
## X.1004.BY19 X.1004.BY19  BRCA Breast Cancer    X-1004    BYL719
```

The output shows that the *brca* dataset contains 849 PDX models. We can see time vs. tumour volume data for a model as:

```
model.data <- getExperiment(brca, model.id = "X.1004.BG98")
head(model.data)

##           model.id drug.join.name  time volume body.weight volume.normal
## 1 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398         0  199.7      28.2      0.0000000
## 2 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398         2  181.9      28.0     -0.0891337
## 3 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398         5  172.7      28.4     -0.1352028
## 4 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398         9  129.6      27.2     -0.3510265
## 5 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398        12   91.3      26.7     -0.5428142
## 6 X.1004.BG98      BGJ398        16  117.1      26.2     -0.4136204
```

Simillarly for **batch** we can obtin all predefined batch names as:

```
batch.name <- batchInfo(brca)
batch.name[1:4]

## [1] "X-1004.BGJ398"      "X-1004.binimetinib" "X-1004.BKM120"
## [4] "X-1004.BYL719"
```

The information about a **batch** can be shown as :

```
batchInfo(brca, batch = "X-1004.binimetinib")

## $`X-1004.binimetinib`
## name = X-1004.binimetinib
## control = X.1004.uned
## treatment = X.1004.biib
```

Here for the batch named *X-1004.binimetinib* we can see that control sample is *X.1004.uned* and treatment sample is *X.1004.biib*.

5 Visualizing PDX Growth Curve

Xeva provides function to plot time vs. tumor volum data for individual models and also for a batch. Data can be plotted by using the name of the batch:

```
plotPDX(brca, batch = "X-4567.BKM120")
```

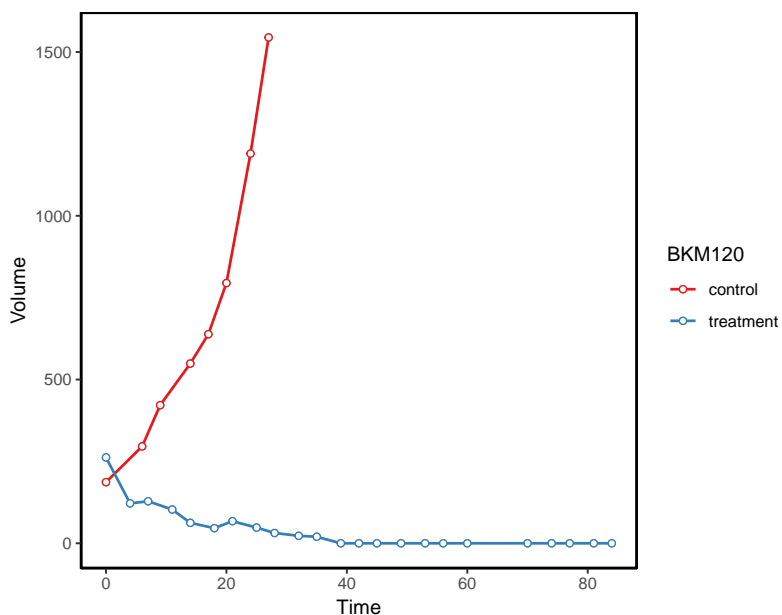


Figure 2: Tumor growth curve for control and treated PDX

Different aspects of this visualization can be chaged. For example we can plot normalized volume and change colors of lines:

```
plotPDX(brca, batch = "X-4567.BKM120", vol.normal = T, control.col = "#a6611a",  
        treatment.col = "#018571", major.line.size = 1, max.time = 40)
```

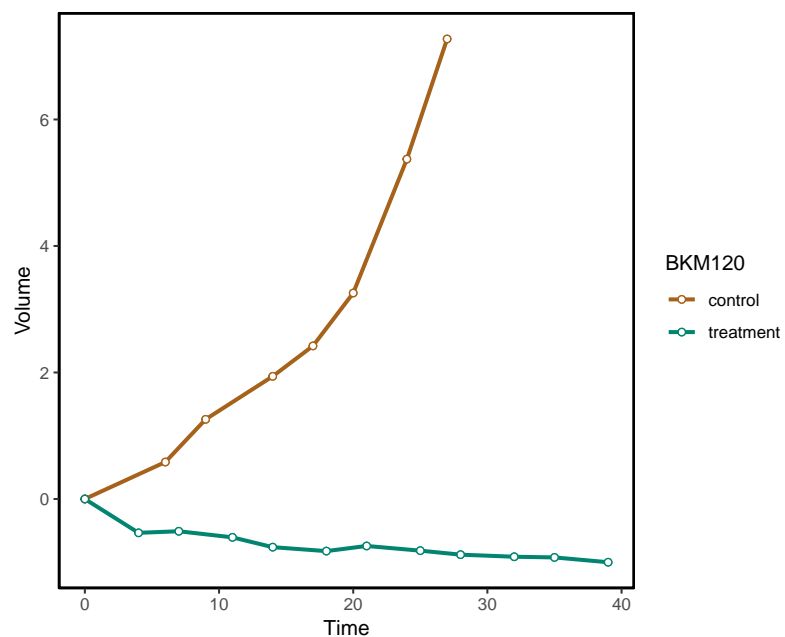


Figure 3: Tumor growth curve for control and treated PDX

Here volume is normalised and plots are trunketed at 40 days

Data can also be visualised at patient level by specifying patient id.

```
plotPDX(brca, patient.id="X-3078", drug="paclitaxel", control.name = "untreated")
```

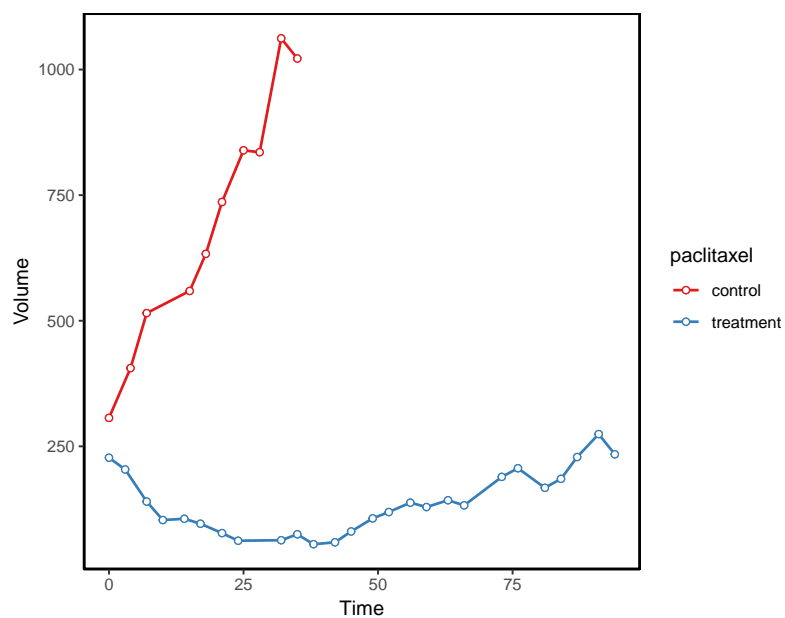


Figure 4: Tumor growth curve for control and treated PDX generated using patient id and drug

6 PDX Model Response

Xeva can effectively summarize the PDX response data. Here we summarize the **mRECIST** values for models in the dataset:

```
brca.mr <- summarizeResponse(brca, response.measure = "mRECIST")
brca.mr[1:5, 1:4]

##           X-1004 X-1008 X-1286 X-1298
## BGJ398         PR      SD      PD      SD
## binimetinib     PD      SD      SD      PD
## BKM120          SD      SD      SD      PR
## BYL719          SD      PR      SD      PD
## BYL719 + LEE011 PD      SD      SD      PD
```

These **mRECIST** values can be visualized as:

```
plotmRECIST(brca.mr, control.name="untreated", row_fontsize=13, col_fontsize=12)
```

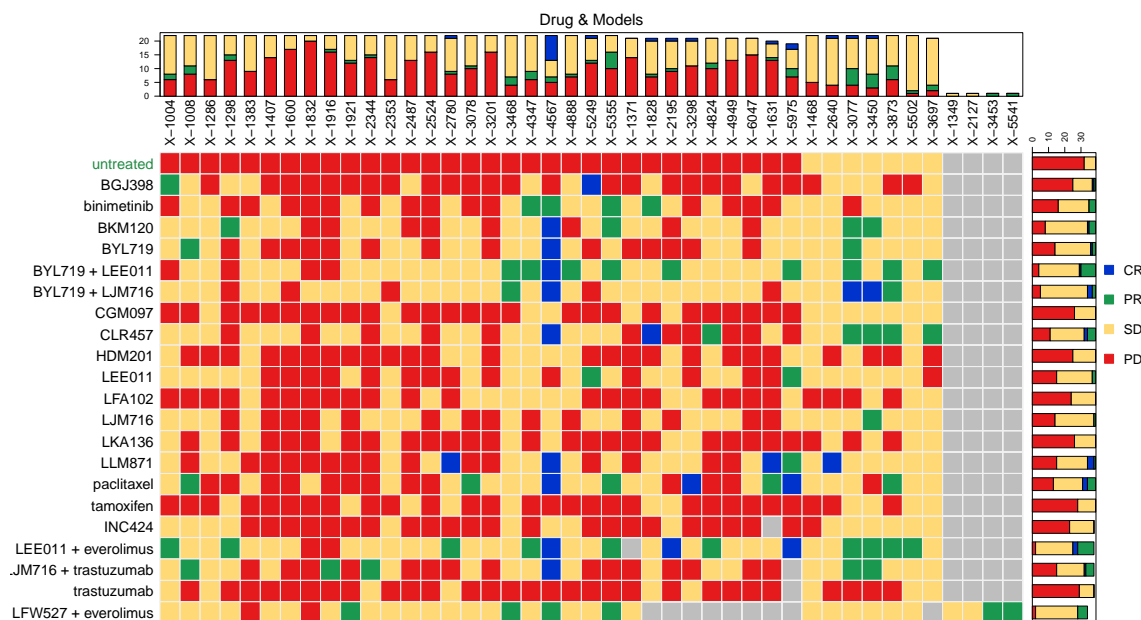


Figure 5: **mRECIST** plot for PDxE breast cancer data

Waterfall plots are also commonly used to visualize the PDX response data. Xeva provides function to visualize and color waterfall plots.

```
waterfall(brca, drug="binimetinib", res.measure="best.average.response")
```

It is useful to color the bars of waterfall plot by genomic properties. Here we create waterfallplot for drug BYL719 and color it by mutation in CDK13 gene. First we extract the genomic data for models:

```
mut <- summarizeMolecularProfiles(brca, drug = "BYL719", mDataType="mutation")

## Loading required package: Biobase
```

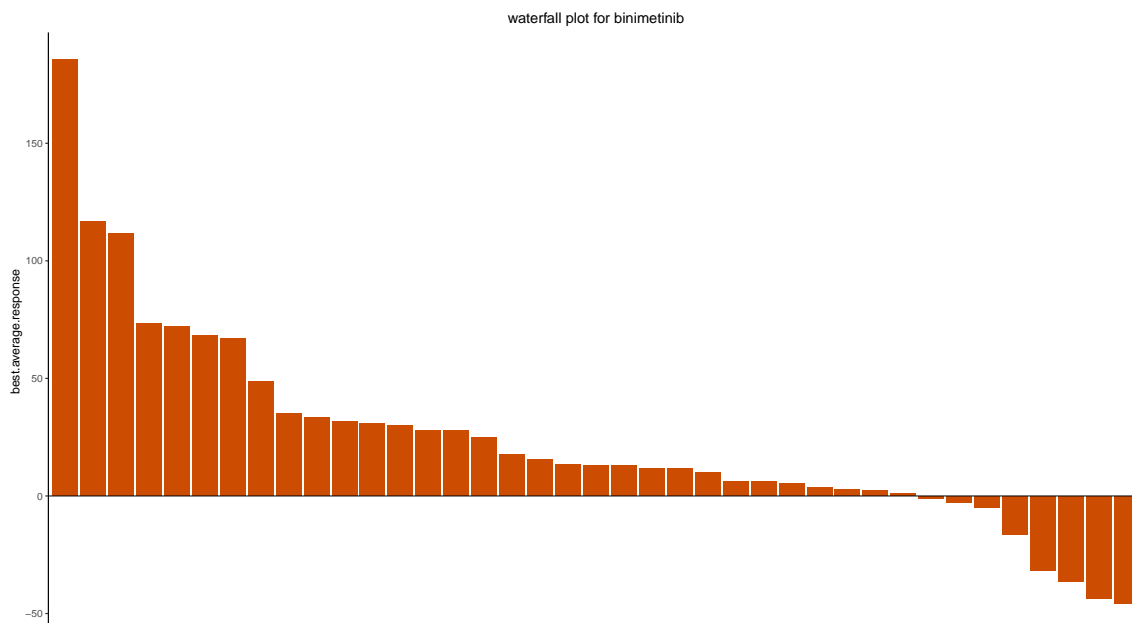


Figure 6: waterfall plot for binimetinib drug response in PDXs

```
## Loading required package: BiocGenerics

## Loading required package: parallel

##
## Attaching package: 'BiocGenerics'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:parallel':
##
##   clusterApply, clusterApplyLB, clusterCall, clusterEvalQ,
##   clusterExport, clusterMap, parApply, parCapply, parLapply,
##   parLapplyLB, parRapply, parSapply, parSapplyLB

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   IQR, mad, sd, var, xtabs

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   anyDuplicated, append, as.data.frame, cbind, colMeans, colnames,
##   colSums, do.call, duplicated, eval, evalq, Filter, Find, get,
##   grep, grepl, intersect, is.unsorted, lapply, lengths, Map,
##   mapply, match, mget, order, paste, pmax, pmax.int, pmin,
##   pmin.int, Position, rank, rbind, Reduce, rowMeans, rownames,
##   rowSums, sapply, setdiff, sort, table, tapply, union, unique,
##   unsplit, which, which.max, which.min
```

```
## Welcome to Bioconductor
##
## Vignettes contain introductory material; view with
## 'browseVignettes()'. To cite Bioconductor, see
## 'citation("Biobase)"', and for packages 'citation("pkgname)"'.

model.type <- Biobase::exprs(mut)["CDK13", ]
model.type[grepl("Mut", model.type)] <- "mutation"
model.type[model.type!="mutation"] <- "wild type"
model.color <- list("mutation"="#fb8072", "wild type"="#80b1d3")
waterfall(brca, drug="BYL719", res.measure="best.average.response",
          model.id=names(model.type), model.type= model.type,
          type.color = model.color)
```

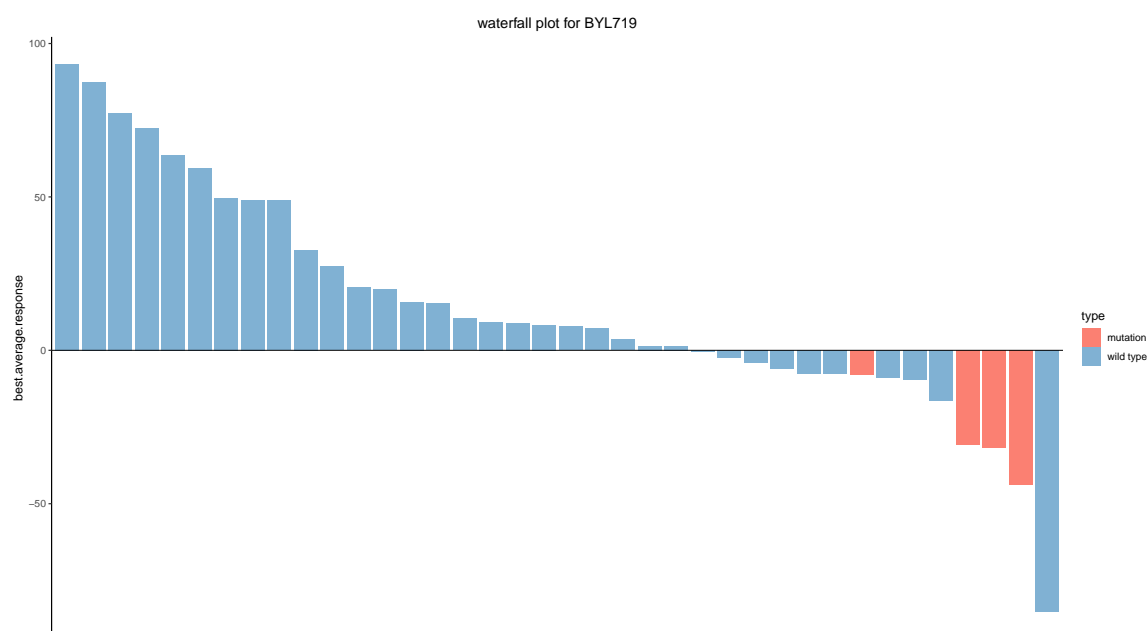


Figure 7: waterfall plot for binimetinib drug response in PDXs