Introduction to Bioconductor

Data Wrangling in R

#AnVIL::install("SummarizedExperiment")
#AnVIL::install("biomaRt")

The Bioconductor project

- <u>Bioconductor</u> is an open source, open development software project to provide tools for the analysis and comprehension of high-throughput genomic data. It is based primarily on the R programming language.
- Most Bioconductor components are distributed as R packages. The functional scope of Bioconductor packages includes the analysis of microarray, sequencing, flow sorting, genotype/SNP, and other data.

Project Goals

The broad goals of the Bioconductor project are:

- To provide widespread access to a broad range of powerful statistical and graphical methods for the analysis of genomic data.
- To facilitate the inclusion of biological metadata in the analysis of genomic data, e.g. literature data from PubMed, annotation data from Entrez genes.
- To provide a common software platform that enables the rapid development and deployment of extensible, scalable, and interoperable software.
- To further scientific understanding by producing high-quality documentation and reproducible research.
- To train researchers on computational and statistical methods for the analysis of genomic data.

Quick overview of the website

- biocViews
- Support site
- Teaching material
- Installation

https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/VariantAnnotation.html https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/Rsamtools.html

https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/vignettes/Rsamtools/inst/doc/Rsamto Overview.pdf

Getting started

```
# Note that this is not evaluated here, so you will have to do it before using this knitr doc
install.packages("BiocManager")
# Install all core packages and update all installed packages
BiocManager::install()
```

Getting started

You can also install specific packages

```
# Note that this is not evaluated here, so you will have to do it before using this knitr doc
BiocManager::install(c("GEOquery", "limma", "biomaRt", "SummarizedExperiment"))
```

Bioconductor Workflows

https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/workflows/vignettes/sequencing/inst/doc/s

The Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO)

The Gene Expression Omnibus is an international public repository that archives and freely distributes microarray, next-generation sequencing, and other forms of high-throughput functional genomics data submitted by the research community.

The three main goals of GEO are to:

- Provide a robust, versatile database in which to efficiently store highthroughput functional genomic data
- Offer simple submission procedures and formats that support complete and well-annotated data deposits from the research community
- Provide user-friendly mechanisms that allow users to query, locate, review and download studies and gene expression profiles of interest

For individual studies/datasets, the easiest way to find publicly-available data is the GEO accession number found at the end of publications.

The GEOquery package can access GEO directly.

https://www.bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/GEOquery.html

```
## Setting options('download.file.method.GEOquery'='auto')

## Setting options('GEOquery.inmemory.gpl'=FALSE)

# https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32619517/
geo_data = getGEO("GSE146760")[[1]] # find accession in paper

## Found 1 file(s)

## GSE146760_series_matrix.txt.gz
```

We can get the phenotypic data using the pData() function from Biobase

tibble(Biobase::pData(geo data))

```
## # A tibble: 11 × 44
                                 geo a...¹ status submi...² last ...³ type chann...⁴ sourc...⁵ organ...6 chara...7
##
               title
##
               <chr> <chr
          1 OCC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                         hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
          2 OCC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
          3 OCC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
##
         4 OCC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
          5 PFC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
##
                                                                                                                                                         hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
##
         6 PFC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
##
         7 PFC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                         hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
##
         8 PFC dif... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hESC d... Homo s... cell t...
          9 NSC-1 [... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                         hPSC-d... Homo s... psc li...
       10 NSC-2 [... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hPSC-d... Homo s... psc li...
## 11 NSC-3 [... GSM440... Publi... Mar 10... Jul 02... SRA
                                                                                                                                                        hPSC-d... Homo s... psc li...
## # ... with 34 more variables: characteristics ch1.1 <chr>,
                 growth protocol ch1 <chr>, molecule ch1 <chr>, extract protocol ch1 <chr>,
## #
```

```
## # extract_protocol_ch1.1 <chr>, taxid_ch1 <chr>, description <chr>,
## # description.1 <chr>, data_processing <chr>, data_processing.1 <chr>,
## # data_processing.2 <chr>, data_processing.3 <chr>, platform_id <chr>,
```

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Getting data from GEO

Actual gene expression data, ie RNA-seq read counts, is less commonly stored in GEO.

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```
Biobase::exprs(geo_data) # gene expression

## GSM4405470 GSM4405471 GSM4405472 GSM4405473 GSM4405474 GSM4405475

## GSM4405476 GSM4405477 GSM4405478 GSM4405479 GSM4405480

Biobase::fData(geo_data) # gene/feature/row annotation

## data frame with 0 columns and 0 rows
```

Sometimes the gene expression matrices are stored as supplementary data. We can check it out using the GEOquery package.

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE146760

getGEOSuppFiles("GSE146760")

```
##
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
##
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
## /Users/carriewri
```

```
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
##
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
## /Users/carriewright/Documents/GitHub/Teaching/Data-Wrangling/lecture_notes/GSE146760/GSE1467
```

OK! so now we can start working with our data... first, we want to make sure these two files have all the same corresponding sample IDs. We want the pheno\$Prefix column to be the same as the colnames of our count data. This is going to take some wrangling!

```
colnames(counts) = str_remove(string = colnames(counts), pattern = "Aligned.sortedByCoord.out.k
identical(colnames(counts), pheno$Prefix)
```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

OK could be a bit more clear

Now that we know they are identical, let's replace the column names of counts with the Status column values of pheno.

```
rownames(pheno) = pheno$Status
colnames(counts) = pheno$Status
```

SummarizedExperiment objects are probably the standard data structure for gene expression data.

https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/SummarizedExperiment.html

biomaRt

We can also add gene annotation information with the biomart package.

Guide: https://www.bioconductor.org/packages/devel/bioc/vignettes/biomaRt/inst/doc/

```
library(biomaRt)

if (interactive()) {
    listEnsembl()
}

#datasets <- listDatasets(ensembl)
#head(datasets)
#searchAttributes(mart = ensembl, pattern = "hgnc")</pre>
```

biomaRt

Guide: https://www.bioconductor.org/packages/devel/bioc/vignettes/biomaRt/inst/doc/

Biomart

head (geneMap)

```
ensembl gene id chromosome name start position end position strand
## 1 ENSG00000210049
                                       577
                                                  647
                            МТ
## 2 ENSG00000211459
                                      648
                                                 1601
                           ΜТ
## 3 ENSG00000210077
                                      1602
                                           1670
                           MT
## 4 ENSG00000210082
                                      1671 3229
                           MT
## 5 ENSG00000209082
                                    3230 3304
                           MT
## 6 ENSG0000198888
                                    3307
                                           4262
                           MΤ
    external gene name
## 1
        MT-TF
## 2
          MT-RNR1
             MT-TV
## 4
        MT-RNR2
## 5
    MT-TL1
## 6
          MT-ND1
```

Great! now we have info about the different ensemble genes!

Genomic Ranges

Convert the data frame to a G[enomic]Ranges object:

```
## GRanges object with 68324 ranges and 0 metadata columns:
##
                                 ranges strand
                 segnames
##
                   <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle>
    ENSG00000210049
                   chrMT
                                577-647
                  chrMT 648-1601
   ENSG00000211459
    ENSG00000210077
                   chrMT
                              1602-1670
   ENSG00000210082
                  chrMT
                              1671-3229
##
    ENSG00000209082 chrMT
                              3230-3304 +
##
```

##	ENSG00000269732	chr1	439870-440232	+	
##	ENSG00000284733	chr1	450740-451678	_	
##	ENSG00000233653	chr1	487101-489906	+	20/22

Getting data from the Sequence Read Archive (SRA)

GEO originated for microarray data, which has largely become replaced by data produced using next-generation sequencing technologies. Depositing raw sequencing reads into the Sequence Read Archive (SRA) is often a condition of publication in many journals.

https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?study=SRP044749

Raw data is annoying to process into gene counts

So we created the recount project https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/