The micropan package vignette

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1 Using dplyr and stringr

A major change in this version is the use of generic data structures and functions in R instead of creating package specific ones. This makes it possible to use the power of standard data manipulation tools and visualization that R-users are familiar with.

Compared to previous versions some functions have been moved to the microseq package.

You will also find no casestudy document or plotting functions. However, if you locate the GitHub site for this package, you will find a tutorial with code making similar plots using ggplot or ggdendro. This is an example of using generic R tools instead of making functions for each special case.

2 External software

Some functions in this package calls upons external software that must be available on the system. Some of these are 'installed' by simply downloading a binary executable that you put somewhere proper on your computer. To make such programs visible to R, you typically need to update your PATH environment variable, to specify where these executables are located. Try it out, and use google for help!

2.1 Software blast+

The function blastpAllAll uses the free software blast+ (ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/executables/blast+/L Source code and installers makes it straightforward to install. In the R console the command

> system("blastp -h")

should produce some sensible output.

2.2 Software hmmer

The functions hmmerScan() uses the free software hmmer (http://hmmer.org/). This software is developed for UNIX systems (e.g. Mac or Linux), and Windows

users may find it a little difficult to install and run from R. In the R console the command

> system("hmmscan -h")

should produce some sensible output.