

# Package ‘MicrobiomeCluster’

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**Description** This package includes basic functions calculating OTU and CROTU abundance. It also provides distance and levels of tree nodes and tips from its root. Researchers can use MicrobiomeCluster package to manipulate an existing tree by trimming or growing branches, or check if a Beta metric is suitable for clustering a dataset.

**License** GPL (>= 2)

**Imports** ape, adephylo

**Suggests** mclust, GUniFrac, cluster, vegan

**NeedsCompilation** no

**Repository** CRAN

**Depends** R (>= 2.10)

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CalculateCROTUAAbundance

*Calculate average abundance for CROTUs*

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### Description

Calculate average abundance for CROTUs

### Usage

CalculateCROTUAAbundance(tree, AverageAbundance)

### Arguments

tree                      A tree object

AverageAbundance

A vector of average OTU abundance. Its names are OTU names.

### Details

Here we adopt the name "CROTU" for tree node following the convention of Peled et al.

### Value

A vector of the average abundance for each CROTU.

### Source

Jonathan U. Peled,corresponding author Sean M. Devlin, Anna Staffas, Melissa Lumish, Raya Khanin, Eric R. Littmann, Lilan Ling, Satyajit Kosuri, Molly Maloy, John B. Slingerland, Katya F. Ahr, Kori A. Porosnicu Rodriguez, Yusuke Shono, Ann E. Slingerland, Melissa D. Docampo, Anthony D. Sung, Daniela Weber, Amin M. Alousi, Boglarka Gyurkocza, Doris M. Ponce, Juliet N. Barker, Miguel-Angel Perales, Sergio A. Giralt, Ying Taur, Eric G. Pamer, Robert R. Jenq, and Marcel R.M. van den Brink (2017) Intestinal Microbiota and Relapse After Hematopoietic-Cell Transplantation, *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, vol 35, num 15, 1650-1659

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ConvertOTUCountsToAbundances

*Convert an OTU count table to an OTU abundance table*

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### Description

Convert an OTU count table to an OTU abundance table

### Usage

ConvertOTUCountsToAbundances(otucounttable)

**Arguments**

otucounttable    An OTU count table. Its rows correspond to OTUs, while its columns correspond to observations.

**Value**

a matrix of OTU abundance

**Source**

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CumulativeAbunofHighAbun

*Cumulative Abundance of High Abundance OTUs.*

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**Description**

Cumulative Abundance of High Abundance OTUs. Here the threshold of the high abundance OTU is set to be 0.001. A low function output suggests Bray Curtis may perform poorly in recovering the true sample clusters.

**Usage**

CumulativeAbunofHighAbun(otuabundance)

**Arguments**

otuabundance    An OTU abundance table

**Value**

Sum of the abundances of OTUs with average abundance greater than 0.001.

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| DistanceToRoot | <i>Calculate distance from tree tips/nodes to root</i> |
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### Description

Calculate distance from tree tips/nodes to root

### Usage

```
DistanceToRoot(tree)
```

### Arguments

|      |                |
|------|----------------|
| tree | A tree object. |
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### Details

Here we adopt the name "CROTU" for tree node following the convention of Peled et al. Distance refers to the sum of branch lengths.

### Source

Jonathan U. Peled, corresponding author Sean M. Devlin, Anna Staffas, Melissa Lumish, Raya Khanin, Eric R. Littmann, Lilan Ling, Satyajit Kosuri, Molly Maloy, John B. Slingerland, Katya F. Ahr, Kori A. Porosnicu Rodriguez, Yusuke Shono, Ann E. Slingerland, Melissa D. Docampo, Anthony D. Sung, Daniela Weber, Amin M. Alousi, Boglarka Gyurkocza, Doris M. Ponce, Juliet N. Barker, Miguel-Angel Perales, Sergio A. Giralt, Ying Taur, Eric G. Pamer, Robert R. Jenq, and Marcel R.M. van den Brink (2017) Intestinal Microbiota and Relapse After Hematopoietic-Cell Transplantation, *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, 1650-1659

\itemotudistanceA vector of distance from OTUs to the root \itemcrotudistanceA vector of distance from CROTUs to the root

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| GrowBranch | <i>Bifurcate each tree tip and make a new tree.</i> |
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### Description

Bifurcate each tree tip and make a new tree. Sequences of each OTU are randomly assigned to either of the two newly formed tips.

### Usage

```
GrowBranch(tree, otutable)
```

### Arguments

|          |                |
|----------|----------------|
| tree     | A tree object. |
| otutable | An OTU table   |

**Value**

|          |   |
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| tree     | A new tree created from bifurcating the old tree tips.          |
| otutable | A new OTU table after assigning sequences to the new tree tips. |

**Source**

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**Examples**

```
library(MicrobiomeCluster)
library(vegan)
library(ape)
library(mclust)
library(cluster)
data("Martinez")

# martinez1 and martinez2 are the OTU tables of the first and second generation descendants

originalbray <- vegdist(t(Martinez$otutable), method="bray")
martinez1 <- GrowBranch(Martinez$tree, Martinez$otutable)
bray1 <- vegdist(t(martinez1$otutable), method="bray")
martinez2 <- GrowBranch(martinez1$tree, martinez1$otutable)
bray2 <- vegdist(t(martinez2$otutable), method="bray")

# The performance of Bray Curtis deteriorates as tree tips bifurcate.

adjustedRandIndex(pam(originalbray, 2, diss=TRUE)$cluster, Martinez$sampleinfo)
adjustedRandIndex(pam(bray1, 2, diss=TRUE)$cluster, Martinez$sampleinfo)
adjustedRandIndex(pam(bray2, 2, diss=TRUE)$cluster, Martinez$sampleinfo)

# plot the PCOA plots of the original data, the first generation descendants and the second generation descendants
pcoaorig <- pcoa(originalbray)
pcoa1 <- pcoa(bray1)
pcoa2 <- pcoa(bray2)

col <- ifelse(Martinez$sampleinfo=="USA", "red", "blue")
par(mfrow=c(1, 3))
plot(pcoaorig$vectors[,1], pcoaorig$vectors[,2], col=col)
plot(pcoa1$vectors[,1], pcoa1$vectors[,2], col=col,
     xlim=c(-0.25,0.45), ylim=c(-0.4,0.35))
plot(pcoa2$vectors[,1], pcoa2$vectors[,2], col=col,
     xlim=c(-0.25,0.45), ylim=c(-0.4,0.35))
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LevelToRoot

*Calculate level of tree tips/nodes to the root.*


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**Description**

Calculate level of tree tips/nodes to the root.

**Usage**

```
LevelToRoot(tree)
```

**Arguments**

tree                    A tree object.

**Details**

Here we adopt the name "CROTU" for tree node following the convention of Peled et al. The level refers to the number of branches from the root to the CROTU or OTU.

**Value**

otulevel                Level of each OTU  
crotulevel              Level for each CROTU

**Source**

Jonathan U. Peled,corresponding author Sean M. Devlin, Anna Staffas, Melissa Lumish, Raya Khanin, Eric R. Littmann, Lilan Ling, Satyajit Kosuri, Molly Maloy, John B. Slingerland, Katya F. Ahr, Kori A. Porosnicu Rodriguez, Yusuke Shono, Ann E. Slingerland, Melissa D. Docampo, Anthony D. Sung, Daniela Weber, Amin M. Alousi, Boglarka Gyurkocza, Doris M. Ponce, Juliet N. Barker, Miguel-Angel Perales, Sergio A. Giralt, Ying Taur, Eric G. Pamer, Robert R. Jenq, and Marcel R.M. van den Brink (2017) Intestinal Microbiota and Relapse After Hematopoietic-Cell Transplantation, *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, 1650-1659

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| Martinez | <i>Martinez data</i> |
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**Description**

Martinez dataset includes OTU table, tree and sample geographic information.

**Source**

Martinez, I., Stegen, J. C., Maldonado-Gomez, M. X., Eren, A. M., Siba, P. M., Green- hill, A. R., and Walter, J. (2015). *The gut microbiota of rural Papua New Guineans: composition, diversity patterns, and ecological processes*. Cell reports, 11(4):527-538.

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| Schnorr | <i>Schnorr data</i> |
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**Description**

Schnorr dataset includes OTU table, tree and sample geographic information.

**Source**

Schnorr, S. L., Candela, M., Rampelli, S., Centanni, M., Consolandi, C., Basaglia, G., Turrone, S., Biagi, E., Peano, C., Severgnini, M., et al. (2014). *Gut microbiome of the Hadza hunter-gatherers* Nature communications, 5:3654.

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| Smits | <i>Smits data</i> |
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**Description**

Smits dataset includes OTU table, tree and sample seasonal information. For the purpose of unsupervised clustering, we include only the most separated seasons, the early wet season and the late dry season.

**Source**

Smits, S. A., Leach, J., Sonnenburg, E. D., Gonzalez, C. G., Lichtman, J. S., Reid, G., Knight, R., Manjurano, A., Chagalucha, J., Elias, J. E., Dominguez-Bello, M. G., and Sonnenburg, J. L. (2017). *Seasonal cycling in the gut microbiome of the hadza hunter-gatherers of Tanzania*. Science, 357(6353):802-806.

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| SwitchTo0 | <i>Convert OTU counts below the threshold to 0.</i> |
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**Description**

Convert OTU counts below the threshold to 0. This helps recovering the true clustering for unweighted Unifrac distance.

**Usage**

SwitchTo0(otutable, threshold)

**Arguments**

|           |                    |
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| otutable  | An OTU table       |
| threshold | Desired threshold. |

**Value**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| otutable | A new OTU table after converting counts below threshold to 0 |
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**Source**

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## Examples

```
library(MicrobiomeCluster)
library(ape)
library(GUniFrac)
library(mclust)
library(cluster)

data("Smits")

uuorig <- as.dist(GUniFrac(t(Smits$otutable), Smits$tree)$unifrac[, , "d_UW"])
newsmits <- SwitchTo0(Smits$otutable, 30)
uu1 <- as.dist(GUniFrac(t(newsmits), Smits$tree)$unifrac[, , "d_UW"])

# The performance of unweighted Unifrac improves after we convert counts below 30 to 0

adjustedRandIndex(pam(uuorig, 2, diss=TRUE)$cluster, Smits$sampleinfo)
adjustedRandIndex(pam(uu1, 2, diss=TRUE)$cluster, Smits$sampleinfo)

# Plot the PCOA plot for the original data and the modified data.
pcoaorig <- pcoa(uuorig)
pcoa1 <- pcoa(uu1)

col <- ifelse(Smits$sampleinfo=="Early Wet", "red", "blue")
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(pcoaorig$vectors[,1], pcoaorig$vectors[,2], col=col,
     xlim=c(-0.4,0.4), ylim=c(-0.35,0.35))
plot(pcoa1$vectors[,1], pcoa1$vectors[,2], col=col,
     xlim=c(-0.4,0.4), ylim=c(-0.35,0.35))
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TrimBranch

*Trim tree tips and make a new tree.*


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## Description

Trim the tree tips to the given value. Sequences from trimmed OTUs are combined to the upper level.

## Usage

```
TrimBranch(level, tree, otutable)
```

## Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| level    | Desired maximum hierarchy level of the output tree. |
| tree     | A tree object.                                      |
| otutable | An OTU table.                                       |

## Value

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| tree     | A new tree created from trimming distant tips and nodes.                       |
| otutable | A new OTU table after combining sequences that are trimmed to the upper level. |



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**Examples**

```
library(MicrobiomeCluster)
library(mclust)
library(cluster)
library(vegan)
library(ape)

data("Schnorr")

#High abundance OTUs control the performance of the Bray Curtis distance.

SchnorrAbundance <- ConvertOTUCountsToAbundances(Schnorr$otutable)
CumulativeAbunofHighAbun(SchnorrAbundance)

originalbray <- vegdist(t(Schnorr$otutable), method="bray")
SchnorrTrimmed <- TrimBranch(37,Schnorr$tree,Schnorr$otutable)

SchnorrTrimmedAbundance <- ConvertOTUCountsToAbundances(SchnorrTrimmed$otutable)
CumulativeAbunofHighAbun(SchnorrTrimmedAbundance)

trimmedbray <- vegdist(t(SchnorrTrimmed$otutable), method="bray")

#The performance of Bray Curtis improves after trimming distant branches.

adjustedRandIndex(pam(originalbray,2,diss=TRUE)$cluster, Schnorr$sampleinfo)
adjustedRandIndex(pam(trimmedbray,2,diss=TRUE)$cluster, Schnorr$sampleinfo)

#plot the PCOA plots of the original data and the modified data

pcoaorig <- pcoa(originalbray)
pcoatrimmed <- pcoa(trimmedbray)

col <- ifelse(Schnorr$sampleinfo=="Italy", "red", "blue")
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(pcoaorig$vectors[,1],pcoaorig$vectors[,2], col=col,
      xlim=c(-0.4,0.45), ylim=c(-0.4,0.45))
plot(pcoatrimmed$vectors[,1],pcoatrimmed$vectors[,2], col=col,
      xlim=c(-0.4,0.45), ylim=c(-0.4,0.45))
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