Maintenance Guide

Objective: Guide for maintaining, updating, and troubleshooting the codebase to ensure continued functionality.

System Requirements

- Software:
 - Python 3.x
 - Libraries: pandas, scipy, tqdm, matplotlib, seaborn, scikit-learn.

Hardware:

- 8 GB RAM (minimum recommended).
- Google Colab or equivalent computing environment.

Maintenance Tasks

1. Updating Libraries: Periodically update Python libraries to their latest versions to ensure compatibility:

pip install --upgrade pandas scipy tqdm matplotlib seaborn scikit-learn

2. Modifying the Code:

- Adding Tissues: To analyze new tissues, add their names and folder paths to organ_names and folder_names.
- Changing Statistical Thresholds: Modify the p-value threshold in the t-test logic for different sensitivity levels:

diff_genes_df = res_df[res_df['p_value'] < 0.02].sort_values('p_value')

3. Pathway Analysis Updates:

Adjust visualizations by editing the pathway filtering logic.

4. Random Forest Model:

 Experiment with model parameters like n_estimators or random_state in the RandomForestClassifier.

Troubleshooting

• **Memory Errors:** If Colab crashes, consider splitting the dataset into smaller chunks or upgrading the environment to Colab Pro.

Missing Outputs:

- Check if file paths are correctly defined.
- Ensure all required files exist in the specified directory.

Backup and Recovery

- **Backup:** Save processed data and generated CSV files to Google Drive or GIT.
- **Recovery:** Keep a backup of the code and data files. Restore from the backup in case of accidental deletions.