Gene expression signature of cigarette smoking and its role in lung adenocarcinoma development and survival

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Introduction

This work arises with the aim of developing scripts in R with the assistance of Bioconductor packages for the analysis of gene expression data. The data being analyzed come from a study related to the gene expression profile of tobacco consumption and its role in the development of lung adenocarcinoma (Landi et al. 2008).

Lung adenocarcinoma is a common form of cancer in the lungs, found in smokers, although it can also develop in people who have never smoked. Typically, it starts in the outer tissues of the lung, remaining undetectable for long periods of time. It presents as one of the most common and deadly types of cancer. However, the molecular changes induced by tobacco consumption that lead to cancer development are not yet fully understood (Subramanian and Govindan 2007). Therefore, studying and understanding these mechanisms is important as it will enable the identification of genes that may be associated with cancer development and, consequently, identify potential targets for future treatment.

The study on which this work is based included 105 individuals with lung adenocarcinoma aged between 44 and 72 years, belonging to the Environment And Genetics in Lung cancer Etiology (EAGLE), another study focused on lung cancer in the Lombardy region of Italy. Gene expression data were obtained using HG-U133A microarrays from Affimetrix, comprising 135 samples of normal tissue (NT) and adenocarcinoma (T), from individuals who are current smokers (C), former smokers (F), and never smokers (N). After preprocessing by the authors, the final dataset is already normalized, totaling 107 samples, with 58 corresponding to tumor tissues and 49 to non-tumor tissues, from 20 never smokers, 26 former smokers, and 28 current smokers. The dataset used in this work is available in the GEO database of NCBI under the accession code GDS3257.

Loading and checking the data

Required packages:

```
library(Biobase)
library(GEOquery)
library(hgu133a.db)
library(genefilter)
library(limma)
library(caret)
library(gtools)
library(GOstats)
library(gplots)
library(MLInterfaces)
```

Download and loading of the dataset:

```
gds3257 <- getGEO('GDS3257', destdir = ".")
```

Transform the dataset into an expressionset:

```
eset <- GDS2eSet(gds3257)
eset

## ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
## assayData: 22283 features, 107 samples
## element names: exprs
## protocolData: none
## phenoData</pre>
```

```
## sampleNames: GSM254629 GSM254648 ... GSM254685 (107 total)
## varLabels: sample tissue ... description (7 total)
## varMetadata: labelDescription
## featureData
## featureNames: 1007_s_at 1053_at ... AFFX-TrpnX-M_at (22283 total)
## fvarLabels: ID Gene title ... GO:Component ID (21 total)
## fvarMetadata: Column labelDescription
## experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
## pubMedIds: 18297132
## Annotation:
```

Data

The expressionset contains 107 samples and a total of 22283 features, corresponding to the 22283 probes present in the microarray.

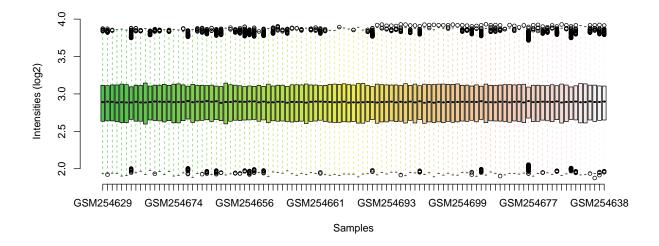
Example of expression data for the first 10 genes and the first 6 samples:

```
dados = exprs(eset)
dados[1:10,1:6]
```

##		GSM254629	GSM254648	GSM254694	GSM254701	GSM254728	GSM254726
##	1007_s_at	10.989	10.692	10.898	11.749	10.903	10.769
##	1053_at	6.826	6.910	6.803	6.818	6.838	6.740
##	117_at	7.776	7.684	7.885	7.938	8.010	8.159
##	121_at	9.855	10.132	9.841	9.900	9.872	9.791
##	1255_g_at	4.824	4.985	4.877	4.709	4.789	4.609
##	1294_at	9.104	8.996	9.262	9.686	9.032	8.865
##	1316_at	6.193	6.314	6.257	6.189	6.310	6.217
##	1320_at	6.119	6.021	6.076	6.006	6.017	5.862
##	1405_i_at	7.753	8.141	7.441	7.860	8.234	8.488
##	1431 at	4.968	5.137	4.915	4.875	4.864	4.863

Making a boxplot with the base 2 logarithm of the expression data for all samples allows us to easily visualize the scale and distribution of the data. These show similar shape and positioning among samples, as they have a nearly homogeneous distribution along the horizontal line, suggesting that the expression data are already normalized, as expected and mentioned by the authors of the article.

```
col = terrain.colors(length(pData(eset)$individual), alpha = 0.7)
boxplot(log2(dados), col = col, whiskcol = col, pch = 21, cex = 0.8, xlab = 'Samples', ylab = 'Intensit'
```



Metadata

The metadata contains 6 fields, including: *tissue*, indicating whether the sample's lung tissue is tumoral or normal, *individual*, indicating whether the individual is currently smoking, has smoked before, or has never smoked, *disease.state*, indicating the state of the tumor in the patient, and *gender*, indicating the patient's gender, among other descriptive fields.

The following table shows the number of samples corresponding to the *tissue* and *individual* variables, making it easier to understand how many of the samples (107), i.e., their frequency, belong to each respective variable.

```
addmargins(table(vars$tissue,vars$individual))
```

```
##
##
             current smoker former smoker never smoker Sum
##
                          16
                                          18
                                                         15
                                                             49
     normal
##
                          24
                                          18
                                                            58
     tumor
                                                         16
                          40
                                          36
##
     Sum
                                                         31 107
```

Preprocessing

Check for NAs in the expressionset:

```
sum(which(is.na(dados)))
```

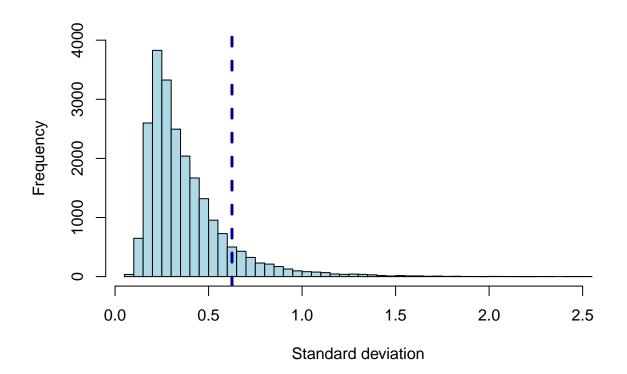
```
## [1] 0
```

As verified, the expressionset does not have any missing data, which aligns with the previous findings, as the dataset is already normalized. The 22283 features will be used in subsequent analyses, an approach also chosen by the authors (Landi et al. 2008). For predictive and clustering analysis, it was decided to filter the data, reducing the number of features to make the process less computationally intensive. Genes were filtered based on whether the standard deviation of the expression values is greater than twice the median of the standard deviations of all genes:

```
# Data filtered by standard deviation
sds = rowSds(dados)
m = median(sds)
eset.f = eset[sds > 2*m]
```

Visually, this corresponds to selecting all genes whose standard deviation of expression values lies beyond the dark blue line in the histogram below:

```
hist(sds,breaks = 50,ylim = c(0,4000),col = "lightblue",xlab = 'Standard deviation',ylab = 'Frequency',abline(v = m*2, col = "darkblue",lwd = 3,lty = 2)
```



Differential expression and enrichment analysis

The following statistical analyses were performed using the *limma* package (Ritchie et al. 2015), which is a library used for gene expression analysis in data and microarrays, allowing the creation of linear models using a Bayesian extension, suitable for this type of studies. The genes of interest identified by these statistical analyses were subjected to an enrichment analysis to determine if there is statistically significant "enrichment" in the genes from any biologically coherent set of genes. This latter analysis was conducted using the *GOstats* package (Falcon and Gentleman 2007), which allows testing gene lists for association with Gene Ontology (GO) terms.

In an attempt to find molecular alterations associated with tobacco consumption, a differential expression analysis was conducted between current smokers and never smokers ($\mathbf{C/N}$) and former smokers and never smokers ($\mathbf{F/N}$), for all tumor samples, for early tumor stages (stages I and II), and for all normal tissue samples. Priority was given to the analysis of tumor tissue samples in early stages, as the advanced state of the tumor may cause potential gene expression changes. A significance criterion was set at p-value < 0.01 and Fold Change > 1.5.

Never smokers vs. current smokers (Tumor tissue)

Creation of the design for the linear model, defining never smoker as the reference:

```
eset.tumor = eset[, eset$tissue == "tumor"]
indivs1 = relevel(eset.tumor$individual, 'never smoker')
design1 = model.matrix(~ indivs1)
head(design1)
```

```
##
     (Intercept) indivs1current smoker indivs1former smoker
## 1
                                         0
                                                                 0
                1
## 2
                1
                                         0
                                                                 0
                                         0
                                                                 0
## 3
                1
                                         0
## 4
                1
                                                                 0
## 5
                1
                                         0
                                                                 0
```

Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit1 = lmFit(eset.tumor, design1)
fit.bayes1 = eBayes(fit1)
diff1 = topTable(fit.bayes1, coef = 2, 1000, genelist = fit1$genes$NAME)
diff1[1:10,]
```

```
##
                                        P. Value adj. P. Val
                 logFC AveExpr
                                    t
## 203560_at
                1.5397
                         7.377
                                6.726 8.396e-09 0.0001616 9.702
## 204822_at
                1.4822
                         7.009 6.584 1.451e-08 0.0001616 9.209
## 219787_s_at
                1.3950
                         6.848
                                5.815 2.732e-07 0.0016185 6.561
## 201088_at
                0.8156
                        10.325
                                5.799 2.905e-07 0.0016185 6.505
## 204277 s at -0.4069
                         6.588 -5.682 4.506e-07 0.0018951 6.109
                                5.649 5.103e-07 0.0018951 5.996
## 202558_s_at 0.9419
                         7.537
## 207828 s at 1.2021
                         8.557
                                5.530 7.956e-07 0.0024235 5.595
## 201761_at
                0.9958
                         9.720 5.483 9.501e-07 0.0024235 5.434
## 218053 at
                0.6483
                         9.747 5.465 1.014e-06 0.0024235 5.375
## 204887 s at 0.7671
                         6.953 5.446 1.088e-06 0.0024235 5.312
```

According to the previous tests, we will now check for the most differentially expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier (p-value < 0.01 and Fold Change > 1.5):

```
treshold = foldchange2logratio (1.5)
upregulated1 = diff1[which(diff1$logFC > treshold & diff1$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated1 = diff1[which(diff1$logFC < -treshold & diff1$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated1),hgu133aSYMBOL))
##
     203560_at
                  204822_at 219787_s_at
                                           201088_at 202558_s_at 207828_s_at
                                                                                 201761_at
                                                                                             218053_at
         "GGH"
##
                      "TTK"
                                 "ECT2"
                                             "KPNA2"
                                                         "HSPA13"
                                                                      "CENPF"
                                                                                  "MTHFD2"
                                                                                             "PRPF40A"
## 204887_s_at 203362_s_at 218875_s_at 204092_s_at 212020_s_at 222077_s_at 201897_s_at 209172_s_at
                   "MAD2L1"
                                                                                               "CENPF"
                                             "AURKA"
                                                                                   "CKS1B"
##
        "PLK4"
                                "FBX05"
                                                         "MKI67"
                                                                    "RACGAP1"
##
                  209642_at 208808_s_at
                                           218039 at
                                                       201636_at
                                                                    203418_at
                                                                                 218542_at
                                                                                             201292_at
  201291_s_at
                     "BUB1"
                                "HMGB2"
                                            "NUSAP1"
                                                                      "CCNA2"
                                                                                   "CEP55"
                                                                                               "TOP2A"
##
       "TOP2A"
                                                           "FXR1"
## 213911_s_at
                 204127 at 219918 s at 209434 s at
                                                       204641 at
                                                                    209096 at
                                                                                204146_at 212295_s_at
                     "RFC3"
                                 "ASPM"
                                              "PPAT"
                                                                     "UBE2V2"
                                                                                              "SLC7A1"
##
       "H2AZ1"
                                                           "NEK2"
                                                                                "RAD51AP1"
```

```
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated1),hgu133aSYMBOL))
```

```
##
     212256_at
                  206170_at
                               201286_at
                                            201525_at
                                                          220622_at
                                                                       204276_at 200810_s_at 200696_s_at
##
     "GALNT10"
                     "ADRB2"
                                   "SDC1"
                                                "APOD"
                                                           "LRRC31"
                                                                           "TK2"
                                                                                      "CIRBP"
                                                                                                      "GSN"
```

Found that there are 30 overexpressed genes (in 33 probes) and 8 underexpressed genes (in 8 probes) in the tumor tissue of smoking patients compared to never smokers. Next, an enrichment analysis will be performed to try to determine the most likely biological class to which this set of genes belongs.

For all enrichment analyses, a significance criterion of p-value < 0.025 was considered. The universe of genes corresponds to all genes present in the expressionset.

Enrichment analysis for the overexpressed genes:

208079_s_at

"AURKA"

##

```
##
          GOBPID
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
                                                                                               Term
## 1
      GO:0051301 4.208e-15
                                27.65
                                                       478
                                        1.2289
                                                   16
                                                                                     cell division
## 2
      GO:0022402 9.027e-15
                                21.70
                                        2.2547
                                                   19
                                                       877
                                                                                cell cycle process
## 3
     GO:0051783 1.128e-13
                                56.55
                                        0.2879
                                                   10
                                                       112
                                                                    regulation of nuclear division
## 4
     GO:0000280 3.596e-13
                                27.85
                                                       324
                                        0.8330
                                                   13
                                                                                  nuclear division
## 5
      GO:0051726 7.260e-13
                                18.11
                                        2.0593
                                                   17
                                                       801
                                                                          regulation of cell cycle
     GO:0007049 1.057e-12
## 6
                                15.86
                                        3.4013
                                                   20 1323
                                                                                        cell cycle
     GD:0007088 1.089e-12
                                58.95
                                        0.2391
                                                    9
                                                        93 regulation of mitotic nuclear division
     GO:0048285 1.379e-12
                                24.88
## 8
                                        0.9255
                                                   13
                                                       360
                                                                                 organelle fission
## 9
      GD:0000278 1.713e-12
                                18.19
                                        1.8099
                                                   16
                                                       704
                                                                                mitotic cell cycle
## 10 GO:0010564 3.365e-12
                                20.57
                                        1.2572
                                                   14
                                                       489
                                                                 regulation of cell cycle process
## 11 GO:0007059 1.280e-11
                                27.73
                                                       249
                                                                            chromosome segregation
                                        0.6402
                                                   11
## 12 GO:1903047 2.716e-11
                                17.41
                                                                       mitotic cell cycle process
                                        1.4680
                                                   14
                                                      571
```

```
## 13 GO:0098813 3.895e-11
                                30.13
                                        0.5142
                                                   10
                                                       200
                                                                   nuclear chromosome segregation
## 14 GO:0000819 1.149e-10
                                33.74
                                        0.3985
                                                    9
                                                       155
                                                                      sister chromatid segregation
## 15 GO:0140014 1.616e-10
                                25.83
                                        0.5939
                                                   10
                                                       231
                                                                          mitotic nuclear division
```

The previous result suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cell division/cycle, mitotic process, and chromosome segregation, among others. Considering that one of the most evident characteristics in cancer development involves rapid and uncontrolled cell proliferation, these results are in line with expectations. In fact, among the identified genes are "TTK" (which encodes a protein essential for chromosomal alignment during mitosis (Mills et al. 1992)), "ECT2" (thought to play an important role in cytokinesis regulation (Tatsumoto et al. 1999)), and "CENPF" (essential for kinetochore function and chromosomal segregation during mitosis (Liao et al. 1995)), among others, reinforcing the obtained result.

Enrichment analysis for the underexpressed genes:

```
##
          GOBPID
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
## 1
      GD:0009409 0.0002501
                                119.2 0.0245951
                                                     2
                                                         41
## 2
      GD:0034443 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 3
     GO:0044858 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 4
      GD:0046092 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
     GD:0060588 0.0005999
## 5
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 6
     GD:0061884 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
## 8
     GO:0098816 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
                                                          1
      GD:1903906 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 10 GD:0002032 0.0011995
                                                          2
                               1943.5 0.0011998
                                                     1
## 11 GO:0034439 0.0011995
                               1943.5 0.0011998
                                                     1
                                                          2
                                                          2
## 12 GO:0034442 0.0011995
                               1943.5 0.0011998
                                                     1
## 13 GD:0042160 0.0011995
                               1943.5 0.0011998
                                                          2
## 14 GO:0042161 0.0011995
                               1943.5 0.0011998
                                                     1
                                                          2
##
                                                                                Term
## 1
                                                                   response to cold
## 2
                                      negative regulation of lipoprotein oxidation
## 3
                                                  plasma membrane raft polarization
                                                    deoxycytidine metabolic process
## 4
## 5
                                negative regulation of lipoprotein lipid oxidation
## 6
                              regulation of mini excitatory postsynaptic potential
## 8
                                            mini excitatory postsynaptic potential
## 9
                                   regulation of plasma membrane raft polarization
## 10 desensitization of G protein-coupled receptor signaling pathway by arrestin
## 11
                                                        lipoprotein lipid oxidation
## 12
                                                regulation of lipoprotein oxidation
## 13
                                                           lipoprotein modification
## 14
                                                              lipoprotein oxidation
```

The enrichment analysis for underexpressed genes suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to the cellular defense response and immunology. Among the identified genes are "SDC1" (which encodes a transmembrane protein responsible for mediating cell binding and signaling (Lories et al. 1992)) and "CIRBP" (cold-inducible, encoding a protein with a protective role in

response to genotoxic stress by stabilizing transcripts involved in cell survival (Nishiyama et al. 1997)), among others. These functions reinforce the result obtained in the enrichment analysis. The fact that the "SDC1" gene is underexpressed and related to cell binding also somewhat aligns with expectations, as another characteristic in cancers is metastasis, where cells can break away from the primary tumor site and travel through the bloodstream, spreading the tumor to other organs.

Never smokers vs. former smokers (Tumor tissue)

The design used in this case is the same as in the previous case. Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit2 = lmFit(eset.tumor, design1)
fit.bayes2 = eBayes(fit2)
diff2 = topTable(fit.bayes2, coef = 3, 1000, genelist = fit2$genes$NAME)
diff2[1:10,]
```

```
##
                 logFC AveExpr
                                    t
                                        P. Value adj. P. Val
                                                               В
## 218222 x at 0.3235
                         7.851 4.785 1.214e-05
                                                   0.1670 2.6970
## 38671_at
              -0.8171
                         9.479 -4.706 1.608e-05
                                                   0.1670 2.4705
## 202134_s_at 0.3912
                         8.473 4.611 2.248e-05
                                                   0.1670 2.2005
## 204862 s at -0.7199
                         8.753 -4.415 4.459e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.6484
## 209856_x_at 0.3121
                         8.339 4.275 7.213e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.2607
## 213440_at
              -0.4512
                         6.998 -4.232 8.344e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.1432
## 221728_x_at -2.4508
                         7.781 -4.221 8.659e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.1134
## 214218_s_at -2.2003
                         6.034 -4.197 9.376e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.0492
## 200810_s_at -0.6214
                         9.844 -4.182 9.870e-05
                                                   0.1968 1.0078
## 211089_s_at 0.3824
                         7.030 4.103 1.286e-04
                                                   0.1968 0.7947
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differentially expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated2 = diff2[which(diff2$logFC > treshold & diff2$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated2 = diff2[which(diff2$logFC < -treshold & diff2$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated2),hgu133aSYMBOL))</pre>
```

NULL

```
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated2),hgu133aSYMBOL))
```

NULL

We can thus verify that there are no overexpressed or underexpressed genes in tissues from former smokers compared to tissues from never smokers.

Never smokers vs. current smokers (Tumor tissue - stages I and II)

Creation of the design for the linear model, defining never smoker as the reference:

```
eset.stumor = eset[, eset$tissue == "tumor" & (eset$disease.state == 'stage I' | eset$disease.state ==
indivs2 = relevel(eset.stumor$individual, 'never smoker')
design2 = model.matrix(~ indivs2)
head(design2)
##
     (Intercept) indivs2current smoker indivs2former smoker
## 1
               1
                                       0
## 2
               1
                                       0
                                                             0
## 3
               1
                                       0
                                                             0
## 4
               1
                                       0
                                                             0
## 5
               1
                                       0
                                                             0
## 6
               1
                                       0
                                                             0
```

Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit3 = lmFit(eset.stumor, design2)
fit.bayes3 = eBayes(fit3)
diff3 = topTable(fit.bayes3, coef = 2, 1000, genelist = fit3$genes$NAME)
head(diff3)
##
               logFC AveExpr
                                      P. Value adj. P. Val
                                                            В
                                  t
## 206170 at -1.0444
                       8.265 -6.648 4.188e-08 0.0009333 8.228
                       7.452 6.329 1.218e-07 0.0013566 7.280
## 203560_at 1.7140
## 209667 at -0.7054
                       8.689 -5.776 7.764e-07 0.0037178 5.627
## 204822_at 1.5852
                       7.058 5.730 9.038e-07 0.0037178 5.491
                       8.180 -5.727 9.129e-07 0.0037178 5.482
## 208760_at -0.9523
## 201088_at 0.8608 10.360 5.699 1.003e-06 0.0037178 5.397
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differentially expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated3 = diff3[which(diff3$logFC > treshold & diff3$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated3 = diff3[which(diff3$logFC < -treshold & diff3$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]</pre>
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated3),hgu133aSYMBOL))
##
     203560 at
                  204822 at
                              201088 at 207828 s at 219787 s at
                                                                     218542 at
                                                                                              201292 at
                                                                                 201761 at
##
         "GGH"
                      "TTK"
                                 "KPNA2"
                                             "CENPF"
                                                           "ECT2"
                                                                       "CEP55"
                                                                                  "MTHFD2"
                                                                                                "TOP2A"
## 204887_s_at 201291_s_at
        "PLK4"
                    "TOP2A"
##
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated3),hgu133aSYMBOL))
##
     206170_at
                  209667_at
                              208760_at
                                           201286_at
                                                        220622_at
                                                                     213244_at 208704_x_at 204519_s_at
       "ADRB2"
                     "CES2"
                                 "UBE2I"
                                              "SDC1"
                                                         "LRRC31"
                                                                      "SCAMP4"
                                                                                    "APLP2"
                                                                                                 "PLLP"
##
## 200696_s_at
         "GSN"
##
```

We found that there are 9 overexpressed genes (in 10 probes) and 9 underexpressed genes (in 9 probes) in tumor tissue of smoking patients compared to never smokers. Next, an enrichment analysis will be performed to try to determine the most likely biological class to which this set of genes belongs.

Enrichment analysis for the overexpressed genes:

```
##
          GOBPID
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
                                                                                                       Te
## 1
     GD:0098813 9.865e-06
                               46.79
                                      0.15425
                                                      200
                                                                            nuclear chromosome segregati
## 2
     GO:0022402 1.222e-05
                               24.77 0.67641
                                                  6
                                                      877
                                                                                        cell cycle proce
## 3
     GO:0051301 1.242e-05
                               29.56 0.36867
                                                  5
                                                      478
                                                                                              cell divisi
## 4
     GO:0051304 1.842e-05
                               83.99 0.05553
                                                  3
                                                      72
                                                                                     chromosome separati
                               83.99 0.05553
     GD:2001251 1.842e-05
                                                  3
                                                      72
## 5
                                                            negative regulation of chromosome organizati
     GD:0007059 2.344e-05
## 6
                               37.27 0.19205
                                                   4
                                                      249
                                                                                    chromosome segregati
     GO:0051307 6.310e-05
                                                   2
## 7
                              237.67 0.01234
                                                       16
                                                                             meiotic chromosome separati
## 8
     GO:0000278 8.099e-05
                               19.60 0.54298
                                                  5
                                                      704
                                                                                        mitotic cell cyc
      GD:0007143 8.981e-05
                                                  2
                              195.68 0.01465
                                                       19
                                                                           female meiotic nuclear divisi
## 10 GD:0006760 9.975e-05
                              184.79 0.01543
                                                  2
                                                       20 folic acid-containing compound metabolic proce
## 11 GO:0000910 1.106e-04
                               45.05 0.10104
                                                  3
                                                      131
                                                                                                cytokines
## 12 GO:0007049 1.302e-04
                               15.71 1.02040
                                                  6 1323
                                                                                                 cell cyc
## 13 GO:0033044 1.685e-04
                               38.89 0.11646
                                                   3
                                                      151
                                                                     regulation of chromosome organizati
## 14 GO:0032506 1.702e-04
                                                  2
                              138.52 0.02005
                                                                                       cytokinetic proce
## 15 GO:0042558 1.702e-04
                                                   2
                              138.52 0.02005
                                                       26 pteridine-containing compound metabolic proce
```

The previous result suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cell division/cycle, mitotic process, and chromosome regulation/segregation, among others. These results are indeed similar to those obtained when considering all tumor stages. Also here, the previously mentioned genes are among the most overexpressed, whose function relates to the obtained result. However, when considering only the early tumor stages (stages I and II), the number of overexpressed genes decreases, which may be related to the fact that the advanced state of the tumor (not considered here) could cause potential changes in gene expression.

Enrichment analysis for the underexpressed genes:

```
##
          GOBPID
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
## 1
      GD:0044858 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
## 2
      GD:0061884 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 3
      GD:0061885 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 4
      GO:0098816 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                          1
## 5
      GO:1903182 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 6
      GO:1903755 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
                                                          1
## 7
      GD:1903906 0.0006856
                                  Inf 0.0006856
                                                     1
                                                          1
      GD:0002032 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                          2
                                                     1
      GO:0044855 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                     1
                                                          2
## 10 GO:0044856 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                          2
## 11 GO:0048627 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                     1
                                                          2
## 12 GO:1900756 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                          2
## 13 GO:1903921 0.0013707
                              1665.71 0.0013712
                                                          2
```

```
## 14 GO:1903923 0.0013707
                             1665.71 0.0013712
## 15 GD:0043244 0.0020471
                               38.54 0.0699289
                                                    2
                                                       102
##
                                                                               Term
## 1
                                                 plasma membrane raft polarization
## 2
                             regulation of mini excitatory postsynaptic potential
                    positive regulation of mini excitatory postsynaptic potential
## 3
                                           mini excitatory postsynaptic potential
## 4
                                           regulation of SUMO transferase activity
## 5
                                 positive regulation of SUMO transferase activity
## 6
## 7
                                  regulation of plasma membrane raft polarization
## 8
      desensitization of G protein-coupled receptor signaling pathway by arrestin
## 9
                                                 plasma membrane raft distribution
## 10
                                                 plasma membrane raft localization
## 11
                                                              myoblast development
## 12
                                          protein processing in phagocytic vesicle
## 13
                           regulation of protein processing in phagocytic vesicle
## 14
                  positive regulation of protein processing in phagocytic vesicle
## 15
                             regulation of protein-containing complex disassembly
```

The enrichment analysis for underexpressed genes suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to distribution/localization/polarization of rafts in the plasma membrane, regulation of macromitophagy (a specialized form of autophagy by which mitochondria are selectively degraded and recycled), and organization of the extracellular matrix. Since the extracellular matrix is composed of a set of molecules that provide structural and biochemical support to surrounding cells, some of the identified genes may be related to tumor metastasis. Another common characteristic of cancer cells is increased resistance to mitochondrial apoptosis, so it would be expected that genes positively regulating this process would be underexpressed. Among the most underexpressed genes are "ADRB2" (involved in cell adhesion process (Boulay et al. 2012)) and "SDC1" (involved with the extracellular matrix and cell adhesion process (Lories et al. 1992)), among others.

Never smokers vs. former smokers (Tumor tissue - stages I and II)

The design used in this case is the same as in the previous case. Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit4 = lmFit(eset.stumor, design2)
fit.bayes4 = eBayes(fit4)
diff4 = topTable(fit.bayes4, coef = 3, 1000, genelist = fit4$genes$NAME)
head(diff4)
```

```
##
                                                                В
                 logFC AveExpr
                                     t
                                         P. Value adj. P. Val
## 206170 at
               -0.8622
                          8.265 -5.053 8.515e-06
                                                    0.07561 3.068
## 209667_at
               -0.6662
                          8.689 -5.023 9.415e-06
                                                    0.07561 2.987
## 208760 at
               -0.8991
                          8.180 -4.979 1.088e-05
                                                    0.07561 2.870
## 213509_x_at -0.5529
                          9.332 -4.911 1.357e-05
                                                    0.07561 2.691
## 204519_s_at -0.9484
                          8.133 -4.793 1.991e-05
                                                    0.08875 2.380
## 212326 at
                         7.631 -4.660 3.061e-05
                                                    0.11366 2.030
              -0.6100
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differently expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated4 = diff4[which(diff4$logFC > treshold & diff4$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated4 = diff4[which(diff4$logFC < -treshold & diff4$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated4),hgu133aSYMBOL))</pre>
```

NULL

```
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated4),hgu133aSYMBOL))
```

NULL

We can verify that there are no overexpressed or underexpressed genes in tissues from former smokers compared to tissues from never smokers.

Never smokers vs. current smokers (Normal tissue)

Creation of the design for the linear model, defining never smoker as the reference:

```
eset.normal = eset[, eset$tissue == "normal"]
indivs3 = relevel(eset.normal$individual, 'never smoker')
design3 = model.matrix(~ indivs3)
head(design3)
```

```
##
     (Intercept) indivs3current smoker indivs3former smoker
## 1
                1
                                        0
                                                               0
                                        0
                                                               0
## 2
                1
## 3
                1
                                        0
                                                               0
## 4
                1
                                        0
                                                               0
## 5
                1
                                        0
                                                               0
## 6
                1
```

Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit5 = lmFit(eset.normal, design3)
fit.bayes5 = eBayes(fit5)
diff5 = topTable(fit.bayes5, coef = 2, 1000, genelist = fit5$genes$NAME)
head(diff5)
```

```
logFC AveExpr
                                      P. Value adj. P. Val
                                  t
## 202437_s_at 2.1955
                      7.866 8.956 5.858e-12 1.305e-07 16.130
## 202436_s_at 1.8094
                        9.424 8.165 9.411e-11 1.049e-06 13.697
                        6.518 7.070 4.721e-09 3.507e-05 10.221
## 205576_at
               1.3752
## 202435_s_at 1.4417
                       8.559 6.887 9.134e-09 5.089e-05 9.631
## 220911_s_at -0.4782
                        9.089 -6.536 3.224e-08 1.437e-04 8.500
## 211276_at -0.9230
                        6.290 -5.888 3.291e-07 1.167e-03 6.409
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differently expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated5 = diff5[which(diff5$logFC > treshold & diff5$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated5 = diff5[which(diff5$logFC < -treshold & diff5$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated5),hgu133aSYMBOL))
## 202437 s at 202436 s at
                              205576 at 202435 s at 221266 s at 220625 s at
                                                                                204580 at 206700 s at
##
      "CYP1B1"
                   "CYP1B1"
                             "SERPIND1"
                                            "CYP1B1"
                                                       "DCSTAMP"
                                                                       "ELF5"
                                                                                   "MMP12"
                                                                                               "KDM5D"
##
     219890_at
##
      "CLEC5A"
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated5),hgu133aSYMBOL))
##
     211276 at
                 205433 at
                              213071_at 204428_s_at 205109_s_at
                                                                    202746 at
                                                                                204589 at 208096 s at
##
      "TCEAL2"
                     "BCHE"
                                  "DPT"
                                              "LCAT"
                                                       "ARHGEF4"
                                                                      "ITM2A"
                                                                                  "NUAK1"
                                                                                             "COL21A1"
##
     213456_at
                 202908_at 203349_s_at
##
     "SOSTDC1"
                     "WFS1"
                                 "ETV5"
```

We found that there are 7 overexpressed genes (in 9 probes) and 11 underexpressed genes (in 11 probes) in normal tissue of smoking patients compared to never smokers. Next, an enrichment analysis will be performed to try to determine the most likely biological class to which this set of genes belongs.

Enrichment analysis for the overexpressed genes:

```
##
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
          GOBPID
## 1
      GD:1904905 0.0005999
                                  Inf 0.0005999
     GO:0002930 0.0011995
## 2
                              1943.5 0.0011998
                                                    1
                                                         2
## 3 GD:0060309 0.0017987
                                971.7 0.0017996
                                                         3
     GD:0060435 0.0017987
                                971.7 0.0017996
                                                         3
## 4
                                                    1
## 5
      GD:0034239 0.0023977
                                647.7 0.0023995
                                                         4
                                                         4
## 6 GD:0034241 0.0023977
                                647.7 0.0023995
                                                    1
## 7
     GD:0034721 0.0023977
                                647.7 0.0023995
                                                    1
## 8 GO:0071603 0.0023977
                                647.7 0.0023995
                                                         4
                                                    1
     GO:0034238 0.0029963
                                485.8 0.0029994
                                                    1
                                                         5
## 10 GD:0072675 0.0029963
                                485.8 0.0029994
                                                    1
                                                         5
## 11 GO:0002457 0.0035947
                                388.6 0.0035993
                                                    1
                                                         6
## 12 GD:0060054 0.0035947
                                388.6 0.0035993
                                                         6
                                                    1
## 14 GO:0072674 0.0035947
                                388.6 0.0035993
                                                    1
                                                         6
## 15 GO:0090674 0.0035947
                                388.6 0.0035993
##
                                                                                  Term
## 1
             negative regulation of endothelial cell-matrix adhesion via fibronectin
## 2
                                                      trabecular meshwork development
## 3
                                                            elastin catabolic process
## 4
                                                                bronchiole development
## 5
                                                      regulation of macrophage fusion
## 6
                                             positive regulation of macrophage fusion
                                histone H3-K4 demethylation, trimethyl-H3-K4-specific
## 7
                                                       endothelial cell-cell adhesion
## 8
```

The previous result suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cellular defense and immune response. Among the most overexpressed genes, as expected, is "CYP1B1," a gene known to be induced by tobacco consumption (Lampe et al. 2004), and whose encoded enzyme metabolizes procarcinogens, chemicals that become carcinogens after metabolism.

Enrichment analysis for the underexpressed genes:

##

1

GOBPID

GD:0046448 0.0007713

GD:0050783 0.0007713

```
GD:0060648 0.0015420
                               1457.4
                                               2
                               1457.4
## 4
     GO:1903892 0.0015420
                                               2
                                          1
## 6
     GD:0006581 0.0023122
                                728.6
                                               3
                                728.6
                                               3
## 7
     GO:0014016 0.0023122
                                          1
## 8 GD:0042078 0.0023122
                                728.6
                                               3
                                728.6
     GD:0048133 0.0023122
                                               3
                                          1
## 10 GD:0090107 0.0023122
                                728.6
                                          1
                                               3
                                728.6
                                               3
## 11 GO:0098722 0.0023122
                                          1
                                728.6
## 12 GD:0098728 0.0023122
                                          1
                                               3
## 13 GD:0019695 0.0030819
                                485.7
                                          1
                                               4
## 14 GD:1903891 0.0030819
                                485.7
                                          1
                                               4
## 15 GO:2000015 0.0030819
                                485.7
                                          1
                                               4
##
## 1
                                   tropane alkaloid metabolic process
## 2
                                            cocaine metabolic process
## 3
                                      mammary gland bud morphogenesis
## 4
      negative regulation of ATF6-mediated unfolded protein response
## 6
                                      acetylcholine catabolic process
## 7
                                           neuroblast differentiation
## 8
                                         germ-line stem cell division
## 9
                        male germ-line stem cell asymmetric division
            regulation of high-density lipoprotein particle assembly
## 10
                                        asymmetric stem cell division
## 11
## 12
                               germline stem cell asymmetric division
## 13
                                            choline metabolic process
## 14
               regulation of ATF6-mediated unfolded protein response
                      regulation of determination of dorsal identity
## 15
```

Pvalue OddsRatio Count Size

Tnf

Tnf

1

1

The enrichment analysis for underexpressed genes suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to metabolic processes and, interestingly, with morphogenesis/development of the mammary gland. Although this study is on lung adenocarcinoma, it is still

interesting to note that in normal tissue of smokers, there is differential expression in genes related to the morphogenesis/development of the mammary gland, as tobacco consumption is thought to be related to the onset of breast cancer (Catsburg et al. 2014). However, this may just be a coincidence. Among the most underexpressed genes are "DPT," "ARHGEF4," and "NUAK1," all related to the process of cell adhesion (Superti-Furga et al. 1993; Thiesen et al. 2000; Hou et al. 2011).

Never smokers vs. former smokers (Normal tissue)

The design used in this case is the same as in the previous case. Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit6 = lmFit(eset.normal, design3)
fit.bayes6 = eBayes(fit6)
diff6 = topTable(fit.bayes6, coef = 3, 1000, genelist = fit6$genes$NAME)
head(diff6)
##
                 logFC AveExpr
                                        P. Value adj. P. Val
                                    t
                         8.795 6.499 3.679e-08 0.0008198 4.921
## 206700_s_at 1.6509
## 214218_s_at -2.7029
                         5.673 -5.965 2.503e-07 0.0024288 3.798
## 201909_at
                3.2166 10.443 5.818 4.226e-07 0.0024288 3.486
## 205000_at
                2.9676
                         7.875 5.749 5.390e-07 0.0024288 3.340
## 221728 x at -3.1062
                         7.386 -5.746 5.450e-07 0.0024288 3.334
## 203992 s at -0.5797
                        7.818 -4.891 1.086e-05 0.0397467 1.506
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differently expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

We found that there are 3 overexpressed genes (in 3 probes) and 1 underexpressed gene (in 2 probes) in normal tissue of former smoking patients compared to never smokers. Next, an enrichment analysis will be performed to try to determine the most likely biological class to which this set of genes belongs.

Enrichment analysis for the overexpressed genes:

```
##
                      Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
## 1
        GD:0034721 0.001028
                               1943.83 0.001028
                                                      1
##
  2
        GD:0002457 0.001542
                               1166.10 0.001543
                                                      1
                                                           6
                                                           7
## 3
        GD:0034720 0.001799
                                971.67 0.001800
                                                      1
##
        GD:0070076 0.006414
                                242.54 0.006427
                                                          25
## 5
        GD:0016577 0.006926
                                223.85 0.006941
                                                      1
                                                          27
        GD:0060765 0.006926
                                223.85 0.006941
## 6
                                                          27
## 7
        GD:0006482 0.007438
                                207.82 0.007456
                                                      1
                                                          29
##
  8
        GD:0008214 0.007438
                                207.82 0.007456
                                                      1
                                                          29
## 9
        GO:0030521 0.010760
                                141.77 0.010798
                                                      1
                                                          42
## 10
        GD:0070988 0.015093
                                100.07 0.015168
                                                      1
                                                          59
        GO:0033143 0.017636
                                 85.28 0.017739
##
  11
                                                      1
                                                          69
##
  12
        GD:0002456 0.024227
                                 61.55 0.024424
                                                      1
                                                          95
        GD:0019882 0.024480
                                 60.90 0.024681
                                                      1
## 13
                                                          96
## NA
              <NA>
                          NΑ
                                     NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                          NA
## NA.1
              <NA>
                          NA
                                     NA
                                              NA
                                                     NA
                                                          NA
##
                                                                              Term
## 1
                          histone H3-K4 demethylation, trimethyl-H3-K4-specific
## 2
                                      T cell antigen processing and presentation
## 3
                                                     histone H3-K4 demethylation
## 4
                                                     histone lysine demethylation
## 5
                                                            histone demethylation
                              regulation of androgen receptor signaling pathway
## 6
                                                            protein demethylation
## 7
## 8
                                                             protein dealkylation
## 9
                                             androgen receptor signaling pathway
## 10
                                                                     demethylation
        regulation of intracellular steroid hormone receptor signaling pathway
## 11
                                                         T cell mediated immunity
## 12
## 13
                                             antigen processing and presentation
## NA
                                                                              <NA>
## NA.1
                                                                              <NA>
```

The previous result suggests a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cellular defense and immune response ("KDM5D" (Rezvani and Barrett 2008), "DDX3Y" (Rosinski et al. 2008)), peptide and histone biosynthesis and processing ("RPS4Y1", (Andrés et al. 2008)).

Enrichment analysis for the underexpressed genes:

As we can see, this analysis cannot be performed because the gene being tested, "XIST," does not have any corresponding GO term. This gene is involved in the inactivation of one copy of the X chromosome in female mammals.

Former smokers vs. current smokers (Tumor tissue - stages I and II)

To investigate whether the pattern observed between current smokers/never smokers is also observed for former smokers, a gene expression analysis was performed between current smokers and former smokers in early-stage tumor tissues.

Creation of the design for the linear model (current smoker as the reference):

```
design4 = model.matrix(~ eset.stumor$individual)
head(design4)
```

```
##
     (Intercept) eset.stumor$individualformer smoker eset.stumor$individualnever smoker
## 1
                1
## 2
                1
                                                       0
                                                                                              1
## 3
                                                       0
                1
                                                                                              1
                                                       0
## 4
                1
                                                                                              1
## 5
                1
                                                       0
                                                                                              1
## 6
                1
                                                       0
                                                                                              1
```

Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit7 = lmFit(eset.stumor, design4)
fit.bayes7 = eBayes(fit7)
diff7 = topTable(fit.bayes7, coef = 2, 1000, genelist = fit7$genes$NAME)
head(diff7)
```

```
##
                logFC AveExpr
                                      P. Value adj. P. Val
                                                              В
                                   t
## 207788 s at 0.4580
                        6.928 4.569 4.104e-05 0.6568 -0.9912
## 212846_at
              -0.5195
                        8.854 -4.148 1.553e-04
                                                 0.6568 -1.5285
## 212729_at
               0.4508
                        7.562 4.115 1.717e-04
                                                 0.6568 -1.5695
                                                 0.6568 -1.6136
## 203560_at
              -1.0166
                       7.452 -4.081 1.912e-04
## 214326_x_at 0.6461
                        7.294 4.073 1.957e-04
                                                 0.6568 -1.6232
## 204395_s_at 0.2559
                        8.719 4.047 2.120e-04
                                                 0.6568 -1.6560
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differently expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated7 = diff7[which(diff7$logFC > treshold & diff7$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated7 = diff7[which(diff7$logFC < -treshold & diff7$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated7),hgu133aSYMBOL))</pre>
```

NULL

```
unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated7),hgu133aSYMBOL))
```

NULL

We found that there are no differentially expressed genes between former smokers and current smokers. This may indicate that although the patients had quit smoking some time ago, the gene-level changes remained.

Summary table of differential expression analysis

The following table summarizes the number of genes identified during the previous differential expression analyses:

			Tumor (Stages I e					
Tissue	Tumor		II)		Normal	Normal		
Condition	24C vs 16N	18F vs 16N	20C vs 10N	13F vs 10N	16C vs 15N	18F vs 15N		
Over Genes	30	0	9	0	7	3		
Over	33	0	10	0	9	3		
Probes								
Und Genes	8	0	9	0	11	1		
Und Probes	8	0	9	0	11	2		

Table 1: Number of probes and genes (overexpressed and underexpressed) differentiating current smokers (\mathbf{C}) from never smokers (\mathbf{N}) and former smokers (\mathbf{F}) from never smokers in all tumor samples, tumor samples in stage I or II, and normal tissue samples. The significance criterion for analysis was set as p-value < 0.01 and Fold Change > 1.5.

Normal tissue vs. tumor tissue

A differential expression analysis was also conducted between samples from normal tissue vs. tumor tissue in order to obtain an overall view of gene expression in the two tissues regardless of the patient's profile.

Creation of the design for the linear model (normal as the reference):

```
design5 = model.matrix(~ eset$tissue)
head(design5)
```

```
(Intercept) eset$tissuetumor
##
## 1
                1
## 2
                1
## 3
                1
                                   1
## 4
                1
                                   1
## 5
                1
                                   1
## 6
```

Creation of linear regression models and performing statistical tests:

```
fit8 = lmFit(eset, design5)
fit.bayes8 = eBayes(fit8)
diff8 = topTable(fit.bayes8, coef = 2, 1000, genelist = fit8$genes$NAME)
head(diff8)
```

```
##
                logFC AveExpr
                                       P. Value adj. P. Val
                                                             В
                                   t
## 209074_s_at -3.372
                        8.995 -24.01 3.231e-45 7.200e-41 92.44
## 209555_s_at -2.417
                        8.261 -22.42 1.588e-42 1.769e-38 86.33
## 204396_s_at -2.388
                        8.677 -22.19 3.992e-42 2.965e-38 85.42
                        8.082 -22.00 8.567e-42 4.773e-38 84.66
## 206209_s_at -2.554
## 204271_s_at -2.227
                        8.784 -21.94 1.096e-41 4.886e-38 84.42
                        8.004 -21.82 1.771e-41 6.577e-38 83.94
## 204677_at -2.620
```

According to the previous tests, check for the most differently expressed genes using the significance criterion defined earlier:

```
upregulated8 = diff8[which(diff8$logFC > treshold & diff8$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
downregulated8 = diff8[which(diff8$logFC < -treshold & diff8$adj.P.Val < 0.01),]
length(unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated8),hgu133aSYMBOL))) #número sondas

## [1] 284

length(unique(unlist(mget(rownames(upregulated8),hgu133aSYMBOL)))) #número genes

## [1] 230

length(unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated8),hgu133aSYMBOL)))

## [1] 636

length(unique(unlist(mget(rownames(downregulated8),hgu133aSYMBOL))))</pre>
```

Due to the high number of genes in the result, we chose to present the total number of genes instead of the gene list itself. We found that, for the defined significance criterion, there are 230 overexpressed genes (in 284 probes) and 488 underexpressed genes (in 636 probes) in tumor tissue compared to normal tissue. Next, an enrichment analysis will be performed to try to determine the most likely biological class in which this set of genes fits.

An enrichment analysis for overexpressed genes:

[1] 488

```
##
          GOBPID
                    Pvalue OddsRatio ExpCount Count Size
## 1 GD:0009132 5.094e-07
                               7.192
                                        1.943
                                                 12 104
## 2 GO:0006165 5.385e-07
                               8.060
                                        1.607
                                                 11
                                                      86
## 3 GO:0046939 6.819e-07
                               7.850
                                        1.644
                                                 11
                                                      88
                                                      72
## 4
     GO:2001251 8.220e-07
                               8.831
                                        1.345
                                                 10
## 5
     GD:0033044 8.583e-07
                               5.668
                                        2.821
                                                 14
                                                     151
    GD:0055086 8.900e-07
                               3.394
                                        8.332
                                                 25
                                                     446
     GD:0007059 9.540e-07
                               4.371
                                        4.652
                                                 18 249
## 7
## 8 GO:0000819 1.178e-06
                               5.505
                                        2.896
                                                 14
                                                     155
     GD:0009123 1.313e-06
                               9.819
                                        1.102
                                                  9
                                                      59
## 10 GD:0022402 2.180e-06
                               2.582
                                       16.384
                                                 37 877
## 11 GO:1903047 2.687e-06
                               2.960
                                       10.667
                                                 28 571
## 12 GO:0046031 2.787e-06
                               7.598
                                        1.532
                                                 10
                                                      82
## 13 GO:0098813 5.045e-06
                               4.500
                                        3.736
                                                 15 200
## 14 GO:0009165 5.362e-06
                               4.475
                                                 15 201
                                        3.755
## 15 GD:1901293 5.698e-06
                               4.451
                                        3.774
                                                 15 202
```

```
##
                                                          Term
## 1
                    nucleoside diphosphate metabolic process
## 2
                      nucleoside diphosphate phosphorylation
                                   nucleotide phosphorylation
## 3
## 4
              negative regulation of chromosome organization
                       regulation of chromosome organization
## 5
      nucleobase-containing small molecule metabolic process
## 6
                                       chromosome segregation
## 7
## 8
                                 sister chromatid segregation
                  nucleoside monophosphate metabolic process
## 9
## 10
                                           cell cycle process
                                   mitotic cell cycle process
## 11
## 12
                                        ADP metabolic process
                              nuclear chromosome segregation
## 13
## 14
                             nucleotide biosynthetic process
## 15
                   nucleoside phosphate biosynthetic process
```

The previous result indicates a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cell division, mitotic cycle, and sugar catabolic processes. This aligns with the expected outcomes as mentioned earlier. The overexpression of genes related to sugar catabolism is consistent with the fact that cancer cells alter their metabolism to achieve faster proliferation.

An enrichment analysis for underexpressed genes:

##		GOBPID	Pvalue	OddsRatio	ExpCount	Count	Size	Term
##	1	GO:0001944	2.688e-21	4.070	24.88	80	627	vasculature development
##	2	GO:0072359	4.443e-21	3.453	36.82	100	928	circulatory system development
##	3	GO:0001568	1.317e-20	4.067	23.85	77	601	blood vessel development
##	4	GO:0048514	4.009e-19	4.087	21.35	70	538	blood vessel morphogenesis
##	5	GO:0048856	2.069e-18	2.298	173.23	264	4366	anatomical structure development
##	6	GO:0009653	6.957e-17	2.426	83.84	157	2113	anatomical structure morphogenesis
##	7	GO:0001525	8.704e-17	4.086	18.01	60	454	angiogenesis
##	8	GO:0035239	1.264e-16	3.350	28.45	78	717	tube morphogenesis
##	9	GO:0048731	2.053e-16	2.198	146.93	230	3703	system development
##	10	GO:0032501	2.659e-16	2.198	213.47	299	5380	multicellular organismal process
##	11	GO:0007275	3.681e-16	2.173	157.68	241	3974	multicellular organism development
##	12	GO:0007155	1.024e-15	2.730	47.30	105	1192	cell adhesion
##	13	GO:0022610	1.534e-15	2.711	47.57	105	1199	biological adhesion
##	14	GO:0032502	1.847e-15	2.127	189.10	272	4766	developmental process
##	15	GO:0035295	2.002e-15	2.987	34.96	86	881	tube development

A hierarchical clustering analysis was performed on the previously filtered expression set data to understand if there is a clear clustering among samples based on expression values. The distance between clusters was calculated using the average linkage method, and the distance matrix was calculated using the one minus the Pearson correlation formula, which was also chosen by the authors of this study.

Hierarchical clustering with distance matrix calculation (using filtered data):

```
corPDist = as.dist(1 - cor(exprs(eset.f), method = "pearson"))
cl.hier = hclust (corPDist, method = "average")
```

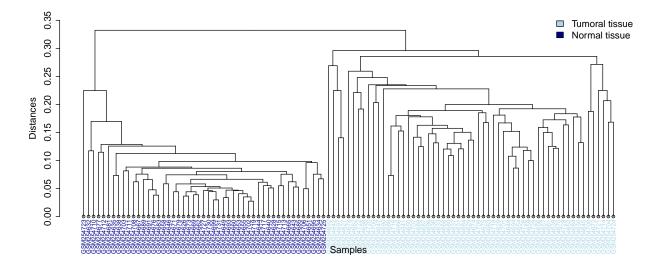
In order to apply colors to the clustering result for better visualization, the following auxiliary function was created:

```
clusMember = cutree(cl.hier, 2)
labelCol = c('lightblue', 'darkblue')

colLab <- function(n) {
   if (is.leaf(n)) {
      a <- attributes(n)
      labCol <- labelCol[clusMember[which(names(clusMember) == a$label)]]
      attr(n, "nodePar") <- c(a$nodePar, lab.col = labCol)
   }
   n
}</pre>
```

The result of the hierarchical clustering analysis can then be visualized by creating a plot, with colors indicating the tissue type associated with each sample (tumor or normal tissue):

```
clusDendro = dendrapply(as.dendrogram(cl.hier), colLab)
par(cex = 0.6); plot(clusDendro, axes = F, ylim = c(0, 0.35))
par(cex = 0.9); title(xlab="Samples", ylab="Distances", main = NULL); axis(2)
legend('topright', c('Tumoral tissue', 'Normal tissue'), fill = c('lightblue', 'darkblue'), bty = "n")
```



Analyzing the graph, it is observed the formation of two evident clusters, with samples from tumoral tissue and normal tissue in different branches of the tree. This means that genes from tumoral tissue generally present a closer level of expression among themselves than in relation to genes from normal tissue. This is consistent with expectations, as adenocarcinoma presents its own characteristics that depend on the overexpression of some genes (related to cell multiplication, mitosis, etc.) and underexpression of others (related to cell adhesion, mitophagy, etc.), thus showing differences in expression between the two tissues.

Next, a clustering analysis was performed for both samples, similar to what was done, and for probes, that is, applying clustering to both columns and rows. Thus, two auxiliary functions were defined, one for calculating the distance matrix and another for clustering, necessary for creating the heatmap.

Auxiliary function for calculating the distance matrix:

```
dist.fun = function(x) {
  return (as.dist (1 - cor(t (x), method = "pearson")))
}
```

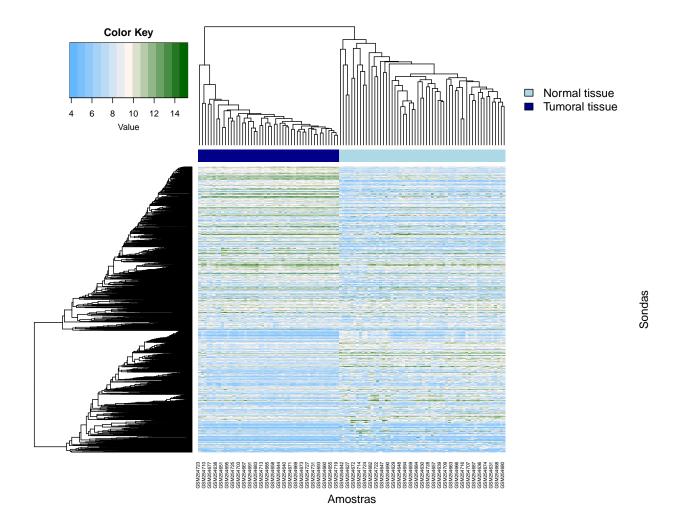
Auxiliary function for performing hierarchical clustering:

```
clust.fun = function (x) {
  return (hclust (x, method = "average"))
}
```

Another function was also defined in order to be applied in the heatmap to associate a color with each type of tissue, namely dark blue for samples of tumor tissue and light blue for samples of normal tissue.

```
color.map.tissue <- function(tissue) { if (tissue == "tumor") "lightblue" else "darkblue" }
tissuecolors <- unlist(lapply(eset.f$tissue, color.map.tissue))</pre>
```

Defining all these functions beforehand, the heatmap can then be created:



According to the heatmap result, we observe a clear separation of gene expression between samples from tumoral tissue and normal tissue. Furthermore, within the same type of tissue, the formation of two gene groups is observed, belonging to different branches of the clustering tree, with one group being more underexpressed than the other. In tumoral tissue, we observe a greater underexpression of genes compared to genes present in normal tissue, mainly in the group of genes from the upper cluster. On the other hand, there are also more underexpressed genes in tumoral tissue compared to normal tissue, although fewer, a result that is consistent with the gene expression analysis between the two tissues previously performed (227 overexpressed genes versus 481 underexpressed genes in tumoral tissue). From the previous analyses, we know that the overexpressed genes in tumoral tissue are involved in the processes of cell division, mitosis, and sugar catabolism, and the underexpressed genes are involved in the mechanism of angiogenesis.

Dimensionality Reduction

```
smokers.data <- dados
smokers.data.t = t(smokers.data)
pca_smokers = prcomp(smokers.data.t, scale = T)
summary(pca_smokers)</pre>
```

Importance of components:

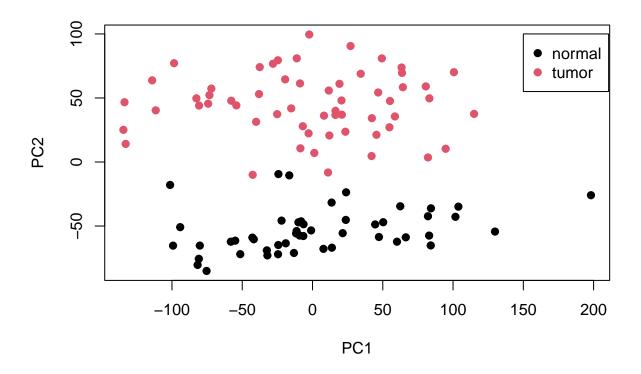
```
##
                              PC1
                                     PC2
                                             PC3
                                                     PC4
                                                              PC5
                                                                      PC6
                                                                             PC7
                                                                                      PC8
                                                                                             PC9
                                                                                                    PC10
                           63.043 53.708 38.4296 27.2183 25.9261 25.0874 22.625 20.4172 20.052 19.2285 1
## Standard deviation
                                  0.129
                                                                          0.023
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.178
                                         0.0663
                                                  0.0333
                                                          0.0302
                                                                   0.0282
                                                                                  0.0187
                                                                                           0.018
                                          0.3741
                                                           0.4375
                                                                   0.4657
                                                                           0.489
## Cumulative Proportion
                           0.178
                                   0.308
                                                  0.4073
                                                                                  0.5074
                                                                                           0.525
                                                                                                  0.5421
##
                             PC12
                                      PC13
                                              PC14
                                                      PC15
                                                               PC16
                                                                       PC17
                                                                               PC18
                                                                                       PC19
                                                                                                PC20
                           18.3353 17.4113 16.7838 16.3013 15.7862 15.4407 15.2707 14.928 14.76016 14.40
## Standard deviation
                                                    0.0119
                                                            0.0112
                                                                             0.0105
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.0151
                                    0.0136
                                            0.0126
                                                                     0.0107
                                                                                     0.010
                                                                                             0.00978
                                                            0.6224
                                                                                             0.66330
## Cumulative Proportion
                           0.5730
                                    0.5866
                                            0.5992
                                                    0.6112
                                                                    0.6331
                                                                             0.6435
                                                                                     0.654
##
                              PC22
                                       PC23
                                                PC24
                                                          PC25
                                                                   PC26
                                                                            PC27
                                                                                      PC28
                                                                                               PC29
                                                                                                        PC
## Standard deviation
                           14.3935 13.85536 13.66842 13.41952 13.38401 12.87284 12.73229 12.64261 12.547
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.0093
                                    0.00862
                                             0.00838
                                                      0.00808
                                                               0.00804
                                                                         0.00744
                                                                                  0.00728
                                                                                            0.00717
                                                                                                     0.007
                           0.6819
                                    0.69053
                                             0.69891
                                                      0.70699
                                                                0.71503
                                                                         0.72247
                                                                                   0.72974
                                                                                            0.73692
##
  Cumulative Proportion
                                                                                                     0.743
##
                               PC31
                                        PC32
                                                PC33
                                                          PC34
                                                                   PC35
                                                                            PC36
                                                                                      PC37
                                                                                               PC38
                                                                                                        PC
## Standard deviation
                           12.30044 12.20286 12.1257 11.96917 11.95820 11.76832 11.70047 11.35632 11.254
                                                      0.00643
                                                               0.00642
                                                                         0.00622
                                                                                  0.00614
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.00679
                                     0.00668
                                              0.0066
                                                                                            0.00579
                                                                                                     0.005
## Cumulative Proportion
                           0.75077
                                     0.75745
                                              0.7641
                                                      0.77048
                                                                0.77690
                                                                         0.78311
                                                                                   0.78926
                                                                                            0.79504
                                                                                                     0.800
                                                                                       PC46
##
                               PC40
                                        PC41
                                                 PC42
                                                           PC43
                                                                    PC44
                                                                             PC45
                                                                                                PC47
## Standard deviation
                           11.19825 10.99659 10.92653 10.68174 10.54417 10.46952 10.39434 10.27464 10.20
                                                                 0.00499
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.00563
                                     0.00543
                                              0.00536
                                                       0.00512
                                                                          0.00492
                                                                                   0.00485
                                                                                             0.00474
                                                                                                      0.00
  Cumulative Proportion
                           0.80636
                                     0.81178
                                              0.81714
                                                       0.82226
                                                                 0.82725
                                                                          0.83217
                                                                                   0.83702
                                                                                             0.84176
##
                               PC49
                                        PC50
                                                PC51
                                                        PC52
                                                                PC53
                                                                        PC54
                                                                                PC55
                                                                                         PC56
                                                                                                PC57
                                                                                                        PC.
## Standard deviation
                           10.06615 10.02075 9.82722 9.75863 9.6694 9.51124 9.46228 9.42546 9.1964 9.193
                                     0.00451 0.00433 0.00427 0.0042 0.00406 0.00402 0.00399 0.0038 0.003
## Proportion of Variance
                           0.00455
                                     0.85548 0.85981 0.86409 0.8683 0.87234 0.87636 0.88035 0.8841 0.887
## Cumulative Proportion
                           0.85097
                                                                       PC64
                                                                                               PC67
                                      PC60
                                              PC61
                                                      PC62
                                                               PC63
                                                                               PC65
                                                                                       PC66
##
                              PC59
                                                                                                       PC6
## Standard deviation
                           9.10020 8.93242 8.86447 8.75604 8.65114 8.63886 8.52662 8.4402 8.35168 8.2990
## Proportion of Variance 0.00372 0.00358 0.00353 0.00344 0.00336 0.00335 0.00326 0.0032 0.00313 0.0030
                          0.89165 0.89523 0.89876 0.90220 0.90556 0.90891 0.91217 0.9154 0.91850 0.9215
##
  Cumulative Proportion
##
                              PC69
                                      PC70
                                              PC71
                                                       PC72
                                                               PC73
                                                                       PC74
                                                                               PC75
                                                                                        PC76
                                                                                                PC77
## Standard deviation
                           8.22298 8.11884 8.05660 8.02171 7.94224 7.88415 7.80752 7.77609 7.52409 7.492
## Proportion of Variance 0.00303 0.00296 0.00291 0.00289 0.00283 0.00279 0.00274 0.00271 0.00254 0.002
## Cumulative Proportion
                          0.92462 0.92758 0.93050 0.93338 0.93621 0.93900 0.94174 0.94445 0.94699 0.949
##
                              PC79
                                      PC80
                                              PC81
                                                       PC82
                                                               PC83
                                                                       PC84
                                                                               PC85
                                                                                        PC86
                                                                                                PC87
## Standard deviation
                          7.38843\ 7.35039\ 7.18097\ 7.09737\ 7.01644\ 6.95287\ 6.94525\ 6.87523\ 6.72198\ 6.660
## Proportion of Variance 0.00245 0.00242 0.00231 0.00226 0.00221 0.00217 0.00216 0.00212 0.00203 0.001
  Cumulative Proportion 0.95196 0.95439 0.95670 0.95896 0.96117 0.96334 0.96551 0.96763 0.96965 0.971
##
                              PC89
                                      PC90
                                              PC91
                                                      PC92
                                                               PC93
                                                                       PC94
                                                                               PC95
                                                                                        PC96
                                                                                                PC97
                           6.61106 6.48725 6.43249 6.32341 6.24887 6.22209 6.14351 6.04679 5.98444 5.910
## Standard deviation
## Proportion of Variance 0.00196 0.00189 0.00186 0.00179 0.00175 0.00174 0.00169 0.00164 0.00161 0.001
                          0.97361\ 0.97550\ 0.97735\ 0.97915\ 0.98090\ 0.98264\ 0.98433\ 0.98597\ 0.98758\ 0.98990
## Cumulative Proportion
##
                                     PC100
                                             PC101
                                                     PC102
                                                              PC103
                                                                      PC104
                                                                              PC105
                             PC99
                                                                                       PC106
## Standard deviation
                           5.86415 5.75653 5.67841 5.61318 5.46871 5.41061 5.15408 4.98341 1.96e-13
## Proportion of Variance 0.00154 0.00149 0.00145 0.00141 0.00134 0.00131 0.00119 0.00111 0.00e+00
## Cumulative Proportion 0.99069 0.99218 0.99362 0.99504 0.99638 0.99769 0.99889 1.00000 1.00e+00
```

min(which(summary(pca_smokers)\$importance[c("Cumulative Proportion"),] > 0.9))

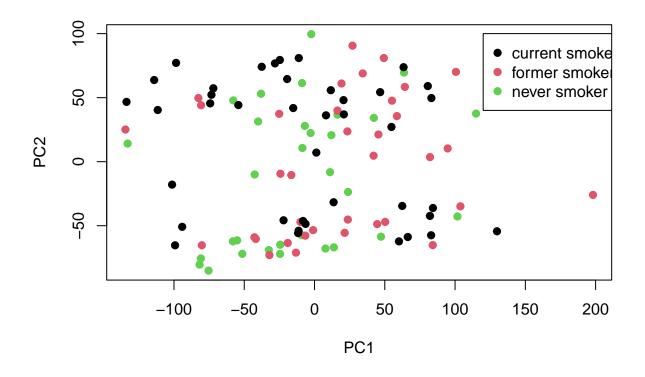
[1] 62

It was possible to verify how many essential genes exist to explain the variability of the data. In this study, only 62 genes explain 90% of the data variability. PC1 + PC2 explain only about 30%.

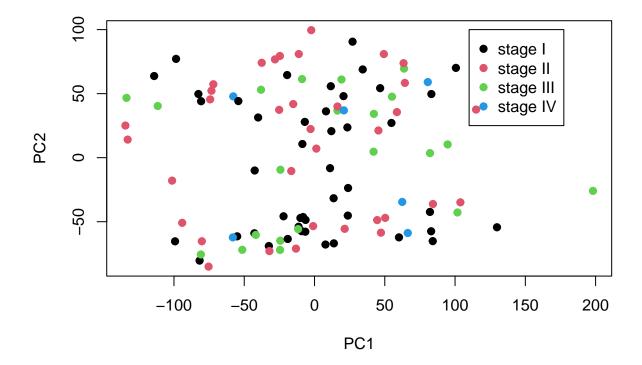
```
plot(pca_smokers$x, col = vars$tissue , pch = 19)
legend(150,100,legend=levels(vars$tissue), col = 1:6, pch=19)
```



```
plot(pca_smokers$x, col = vars$individual , pch = 19)
legend(120,100,legend=levels(vars$individual), col = 1:6, pch=19)
```



```
plot(pca_smokers$x, col = vars$disease.state , pch = 19)
legend(110,100,legend=levels(vars$disease.state), col = 1:6, pch=19)
```



From these plot scores it is possible to verify that for the tissue the samples are not correlated as they are distant from each other, for the rest there is a slight correlation between the samples. The expression data for the tissues are different.

Predictive Analysis

A predictive analysis was conducted to predict both the type of tissue (tumor/normal) and the individual's profile (current/former or never smoker). For this purpose, the *MLInterfaces* package (Carey et al. 2016) was used, which provides a standard way of parameterization and presentation of results for learning algorithms. In the analysis, the machine learning methods of k-nearest neighbors, regression trees, and support vector machines (SVMs) were used, using the cross-validation method that allows the use of all available data. The number of iterations for cross-validation was set to 10.

K-nearest Neighbors

Tissue Type Prediction

Model construction and results:

```
knnResult.tissue.cv <- MLearn(tissue ~ ., eset.f, knnI(k = 1), xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(10))
addmargins(confuMat(knnResult.tissue.cv))</pre>
```

predicted

```
## given normal tumor Sum
## normal 48 1 49
## tumor 0 58 58
## Sum 48 59 107
```

Model accuracy for tissue type prediction:

```
precision(confuMat(knnResult.tissue.cv))
```

```
## normal tumor
## 0.9796 1.0000
```

Prediction of Individual Profile

Construction of the model and results:

```
knnResult.indivs.cv <- MLearn(individual ~ ., eset.f, knnI(k = 1), xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(
addmargins(confuMat(knnResult.indivs.cv))</pre>
```

```
##
                   predicted
## given
                    current smoker former smoker never smoker Sum
##
                                19
                                                            10 40
     current smoker
                                               11
##
     former smoker
                                               10
                                                            17 36
                                                            18 31
##
    never smoker
                                 4
                                               9
##
     Sum
                                32
                                               30
                                                            45 107
```

Model Accuracy for Predicting Individual Profile:

Accuracy of the model for predicting individual profile:

```
precision(confuMat(knnResult.indivs.cv))
```

```
## current smoker former smoker never smoker
## 0.4750 0.2778 0.5806
```

Regression Trees

Tissue Type Prediction

Model construction and results:

```
treeResult.tissue.cv <- MLearn(tissue ~ ., eset.f, rpartI, xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(10)))
addmargins(confuMat(treeResult.tissue.cv))</pre>
```

```
predicted
##
## given
            normal tumor Sum
                       4 49
##
                45
     normal
                 3
                       55 58
##
     tumor
##
     Sum
                48
                      59 107
```

Model Accuracy for Tissue Type Prediction:

```
precision(confuMat(treeResult.tissue.cv))

## normal tumor
## 0.9184 0.9483
```

Individual profile prediction

Model construction and results:

```
treeResult.indivs.cv <- MLearn(individual ~ ., eset.f, rpartI, xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(10))
addmargins(confuMat(treeResult.indivs.cv))</pre>
```

```
##
                   predicted
## given
                    current smoker former smoker never smoker Sum
##
     current smoker
                                18
                                              13
                                                            9 40
##
    former smoker
                                11
                                              16
                                                            9 36
##
    never smoker
                                5
                                               9
                                                           17 31
##
    Sum
                                34
                                              38
                                                           35 107
```

Model accuracy for predicting individual profile:

```
precision(confuMat(treeResult.indivs.cv))
```

```
## current smoker former smoker never smoker
## 0.4500 0.4444 0.5484
```

Support Vector Machines (SVMs)

Fabric type forecast

Model construction and results:

```
svmResult.tissue.cv <- MLearn(tissue ~ ., eset.f, svmI , xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(10)))
addmargins(confuMat(svmResult.tissue.cv))</pre>
```

```
##
          predicted
## given
           normal tumor Sum
##
               48
                     1 49
    normal
##
     tumor
                0
                     58 58
##
     Sum
               48
                     59 107
```

Model accuracy for tissue type prediction:

```
precision(confuMat(svmResult.tissue.cv))
```

```
## normal tumor
## 0.9796 1.0000
```

Individual profile prediction

Model construction and results:

```
svmResult.indivs.cv <- MLearn(individual ~ ., eset.f, svmI , xvalSpec("LOG", 10, balKfold.xvspec(10)))
addmargins(confuMat(svmResult.indivs.cv))</pre>
```

##	predicted								
##	given	current	${\tt smoker}$	${\tt former}$	smoker	never	smoker	$\operatorname{\mathtt{Sum}}$	
##	current smoker		35		3		2	40	
##	former smoker		17		11		8	36	
##	never smoker		6		9		16	31	
##	Sum		58		23		26	107	

Model accuracy for predicting individual profile:

```
precision(confuMat(svmResult.indivs.cv))
```

```
## current smoker former smoker never smoker
## 0.8750 0.3056 0.5161
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In general, the 3 types of models used, k-nearest neighbors, regression trees and SVMs, present a good level of accuracy in predicting the type of tissue associated with each sample, with the k-nearest neighbors method being better. close with an accuracy level of 97.96% for normal tissue samples and 100% for tumor tissue samples. As we saw in the clustering analysis, there is a clear separation between the two tissue types, which could make the prediction process easier, as we see here.

On the other hand, the level of precision drops considerably when it comes to predicting the profile of the individual associated with each sample, with the precision levels of the three models for this situation being around or below 50% (with the exception of the precision of the model of SVM for current smokers, with 75%). In this case we have one more variable to predict than in the previous case, which makes the prediction process even more complicated. Furthermore, this difference in the prediction between tissues and the individual's profile is due to the fact that the difference in expression is evident between cancerous and normal cells (genes related to cell cycle, mitosis, immunology, etc.) and this difference is not so evident when what is at stake is whether or not the individual consumes tobacco.

Conclusions

Differential expression analysis in 107 samples of tumor tissue and normal tissue from current, former and never-smoking patients demonstrated that there are changes at the genetic level caused by tobacco consumption. In fact, in samples from smokers there was a higher expression of genes related to the cell division/cycle process, mitosis process and chromosome segregation in the analysis with all tumor stages or just the first stages (e.g. "TTK", "ECT2", "CENPF"). This result is consistent with the fact that cancer cells present a high level of cellular proliferation and is in line with the result obtained by the authors of this study:

"We found that smoking induces deregulation of this very mitotic process (...) comprises genes that regulate the mitotic spindle formation (...) such as CENPF. (...) TTK (linked to cell mitosis through EGFR, a critical drug target for lung adenocarcinoma."

Samples from smokers showed lower expression of genes related to the cellular defense response process and immunology in tumor tissue (e.g. "SDC1" and "CIRBP"). In normal tissue this trend is reversed, with this type of genes being overexpressed, including the "CYP1B1" gene, which encodes an enzyme capable of metabolizing procarcinogens. This result is also in line with the results obtained by the authors:

"In the non-tumor tissue, current smoking strongly altered immune response genes, consistent with the defense mechanisms of the lung tissue against the acute toxic effects of smoking. (...) Our results are consistent with some previous findings, such as smoking-related alteration of CYP1B1"

An analysis of genetic expression between former smokers and current smokers demonstrated that, for the defined significance criterion, there are no differentially expressed genes, which may indicate that although the patients had already stopped smoking some time ago, changes in the expression level of genes remained.

Another analysis of differential expression between samples from normal tissue and tumor tissue demonstrated that there are more underexpressed genes and fewer overexpressed genes in tumor tissue, a result also evident by the hierarchical clustering analysis, with a clear separation between samples from tumor and normal tissue. From the enrichment analysis it appears that there is a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to cell division, mitotic cycle and sugar catabolic processes, which is in line with what is expected since cancer cells evolve in order to alter their metabolism in order to achieve faster proliferation.

Regarding underexpressed genes, there is a statistically significant "enrichment" in genes whose biological processes are related to the development of the cardiovascular/circulatory system, morphogenesis and development of blood vessels. As mentioned, although it may seem contradictory in relation to what is known about cancer, particularly with regard to the increase in the angiogenesis mechanism, it is known that in some types of cancer the angiogenesis mechanism is not that relevant and is, in in many cases, reduced, so lung adenocarcinoma could be one of these cases.

After carrying out a predictive analysis using the k-nearest neighbors, regression trees and SVMs methods, it is concluded that the methods present very good accuracy when it comes to predicting the tissue associated with each sample, with the k-neighbors method being better at predicting closest with an accuracy level of 97.96% for normal tissue samples and 100% for tumor tissue samples. However, for predicting the profile of the individual associated with each sample, this is not the case, with the accuracy levels of the three models for this situation being around or below 50% (with the exception of the accuracy of the SVM model for current smokers, with 75%), which could be due to the existence of a clear separation between the genes expressed in the two types of tissue, as verified in the clustering analysis, which will not be so evident when it comes to distinguishing between the profiles of individuals .

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