



## ComparativeMarkerSelection Documentation

**Module name:** ComparativeMarkerSelection  
**Description:** Compare different approaches to marker selection  
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The ComparativeMarkerSelection module includes several approaches to determine the features that are most closely correlated with a class template and the significance of that correlation. The module outputs a file containing the following columns:

1. **Rank** - The rank of the feature within the dataset based on the value of the test statistic. If a two-sided p value is computed, the rank is with respect to the absolute value of the statistic.
2. **Feature** - The feature name.
3. **Score** - The value of the test statistic.
4. **Feature P** - The feature-specific p value based on permutation testing.
5. **FPR** (False Positive Rate) – The expected proportion of null hypotheses/features having a score better than or equal to the observed one. This measure is not feature-specific, since it is computed by counting the proportion of features having a permuted score better than or equal to the given feature's observed score.
6. **FWER** (Family Wise Error Rate) - the probability of at least one null hypothesis/feature having a score better than or equal to the observed one. This measure is not feature-specific (see comment about FPR in [5]).
7. **Rank P** - The rank-specific p value measures the probability that a null hypothesis/feature with the given *rank* (i.e., a hypothesis/feature whose observed score has that rank) will be rejected. This measure is not feature-specific since it is computed by comparing the permuted scores of equally ranked features, which can be different at different permutation iterations.
8. **FDR (BH)** - An estimate of the false discovery rate by the Benjamini and Hochberg procedure (3). The FDR is the probability of a rejected hypothesis being null.
9. **Bonferroni** - The value of the Bonferroni correction applied to the feature specific p value.
10. **Q Value** - An estimate of the FDR using the procedure developed by Storey and Tibshirani (4). See the definition of the FDR in [8].

The results from the ComparativeMarkerSelection algorithm can be viewed with the ComparativeMarkerSelectionViewer.

### Parameters:

| Name           | Description   | Choices                  |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|
| input.filename | The input file - .res, .gct, .odf   |                          |
| cls.filename   | The class file - .cls   |                          |
| test.direction | The test to perform (up-regulated for class 0, up-regulated for class 1, two-sided) | Class 0;Class 1; 2 Sided |
| test.statistic | The statistic to use  | SNR;T-Test;SNR           |

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|                        |   | (median);T-Test<br>(median);T-Test (min<br>std) |
| min.std                | The minimum standard deviation if test<br>statistic is T-Test (min std) |   |
| number.of.permutations | The number of permutations to perform                                   |   |
| complete               | Whether to perform all possible<br>permutations                         | yes;no  |
| balanced               | Whether to perform balanced<br>permutations                             | yes, no   |
| fix.standard.deviation | Whether to adjust the standard deviation,<br>as is done in GeneCluster  | yes;no  |
| output.file            | The name of the output file   |   |
| random.seed            | The seed of the random number<br>generator                              |   |

## Return Value:

1. An odf file containing the results

## References:

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## Platform dependencies:

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| <b>Task type:</b>      | GeneListSelection |
| <b>CPU type:</b>       | any               |
| <b>OS:</b>             | any               |
| <b>Java JVM level:</b> | 1.4               |
| <b>Language:</b>       | Java, R           |