# ontoFAST: getting started

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## Installing

To install ontoFAST package, you must have Rstudio and devtools package installed. The latter can be done by executing install.packages("devtools") in Rstudio. If devtools is intalled you can use it to install ontoFAST directly from GitHub:

```
# !!! uncomment to run
#library(devtools)
#install_github("sergeitarasov/ontoFAST")
library(ontoFAST)
## Loading required package: pbapply
## Loading required package: ontologyIndex
## Loading required package: dplyr
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
  The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
## Loading required package: shiny
## Loading required package: shinydashboard
##
## Attaching package: 'shinydashboard'
## The following object is masked from 'package:graphics':
##
##
       box
## Loading required package: visNetwork
## Loading required package: stringr
## Loading required package: magrittr
## Loading required package: devtools
##
## Attaching package: 'devtools'
## The following object is masked from 'package:ontologyIndex':
##
##
       check
```

### Working with ontoFAST

#### Assembling data

Let's first read in ontology. In this example, I use Hymenoptera anatomy ontology that is available as embedded data set:

```
hao_obo<-HAO
```

Alternatively ontology can be parsed directly from .obo file:

Not, let's read in character statements. I prefer using a simple table format to store characters and their states. So, it can be imported in R for example using read.csv function. Here, I use embedded data set from Sharkey et.al. (2011):

```
char_et_states<-Sharkey_2011
```

This data sets contains 392 characters. Let's create IDs for them, which will be used to call the characters. We keep all our data in ontologyIndex (here hao\_obo) object that stores the entire ontology.

```
id_characters<-paste("CHAR:",c(1:392), sep="")
hao_obo$id_characters<-id_characters</pre>
```

Now, let's add character statements to hao\_obo and associate them with IDs.

```
name_characters<-char_et_states[,1]
names(name_characters)<-id_characters
hao_obo$name_characters<-name_characters</pre>
```

To make automatic annotation more efficient, we can use the synonyms of terms in the ontology. The synonyms are stored in hao\_obo\$synonym but they have to be preprocessed to be available for automatic annotation. To do it we use syn\_extract() function.

```
hao_obo$parsed_synonyms<-syn_extract(hao_obo)
```

Now, we can run the automatic annotation. You can skip this step if you do not want to use synonyms. hao\_obo\$auto\_annot\_characters<-annot\_all\_chars(hao\_obo, use.synonyms=TRUE, min\_set=TRUE)

```
## [1] "Doing automatic annotation of characters with ontology terms..."
```

#### Running ontoFAST interactively

The final step before running ontoFAST in interactive mode, requires creating the global shiny\_in object that will store all the annotations and associated data. To create the global object use the assignment operator <<-

```
shiny_in<<-make_shiny_in(hao_obo)
```

Now we can run ontoFAST interactively by executing the line below. It may take a few seconds until all characters are loaded.

```
# !!! uncomment to run
#runOntoFast()
```

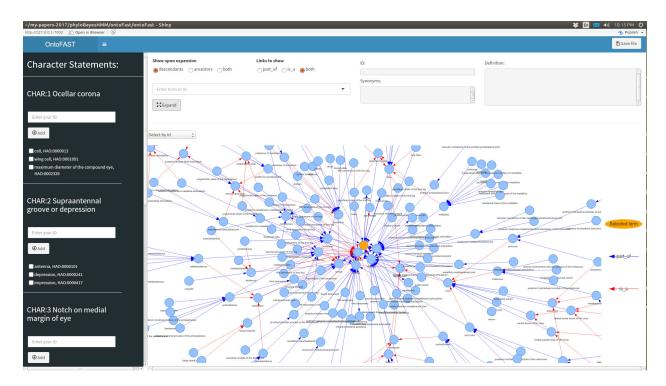


Figure 1: ontoFAST in interactive mode

By default onto FAST displays all the characters in the data set. Using argument nchar=N you my restrict the visualization to N characters. You may also use onto FAST as an ontology browser without loading characters by specifying argument show.chars=FALSE.