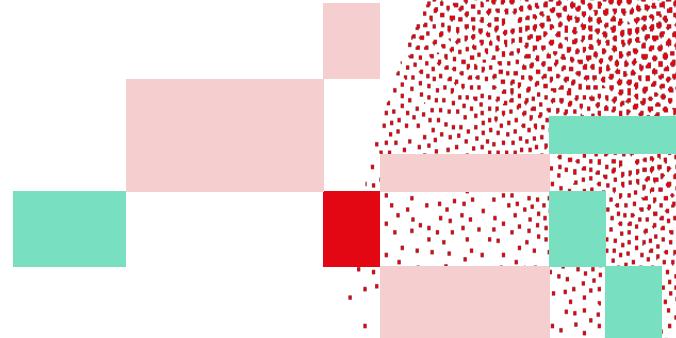




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Enrichment analysis

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Schedule

- **9:00 - 9:30**
- Introduction
- **9:30 – 10:30**
- Over-representation analysis
- Exercise
- **10:30ish** break
- **10:50 - 12:30**
- Method of gene set enrichment analysis
- Exercise
- **12:30ish - 13:30** lunch break
- **13:30 - 15:30**
- Visualization of enrichment results
- Exercise
- **15:30ish - 15:50** break
- **15:50 - 16:50**
- Ontologies and sources of gene sets
- Exercise
- **16:50 - 17:00** Feedback and end of day

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- Provides **the statistics, bioinformatics and computational expertise** to molecular biology and applied research labs.
- Participates in fundamental and translational research by providing expertise in **data analysis** of single-cell and bulk multi-omics, spatial transcriptomics, flow cytometry, etc

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- Write your name and some keywords about yourself and/or your research into the Google doc, to share about yourself.
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Course material

- <https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/>

The screenshot shows a website for 'Enrichment analysis'. At the top, there's a red header bar with the SIB logo and the text 'Enrichment analysis'. Below the header, on the left, is a sidebar with a navigation menu:

- Enrichment analysis
- Home
- Precourse preparations
- Course schedule
- Materials
- Exercises** (this item is highlighted in red)
- Bonus code
- Useful links

The main content area has a title 'Exercises' with a pencil icon. Below it is a text block: 'In this section, you will find the R code that we will use during the course. We will explain the code and output during correction of the exercises.' Further down, another section titled 'Source of data' contains text about a study by Ercolano et al 2020.

We will work with RNA sequencing data generated by [Ercolano et al 2020](#). This study described the transcriptomes of immune cells that are circulating in the blood of humans in healthy conditions. Different types of immune cells circulate in human blood. In this study, 2 cell types were included: Natural Killer (NK) cells and CD4+ T helper (Th) cells. These 2 types of cells have different functions: NK cells provide a rapid response in the innate immune response at the

- **Feedback:** survey at the end of the day about your opinion on this course (link sent by course organizer).

Credits: 0.25 ECTS

- Please provide answers and R code for an additional exercise (eg 1 Word with answers and figures and 1 script file, or 1 file generated using Rmarkdown)

<https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits>

- Sign up for credit by adding your name to the google Doc file (email sent by course organizer)
- Send answers to tania.wyss@sib.swiss within 1 week

Questions and Exercises

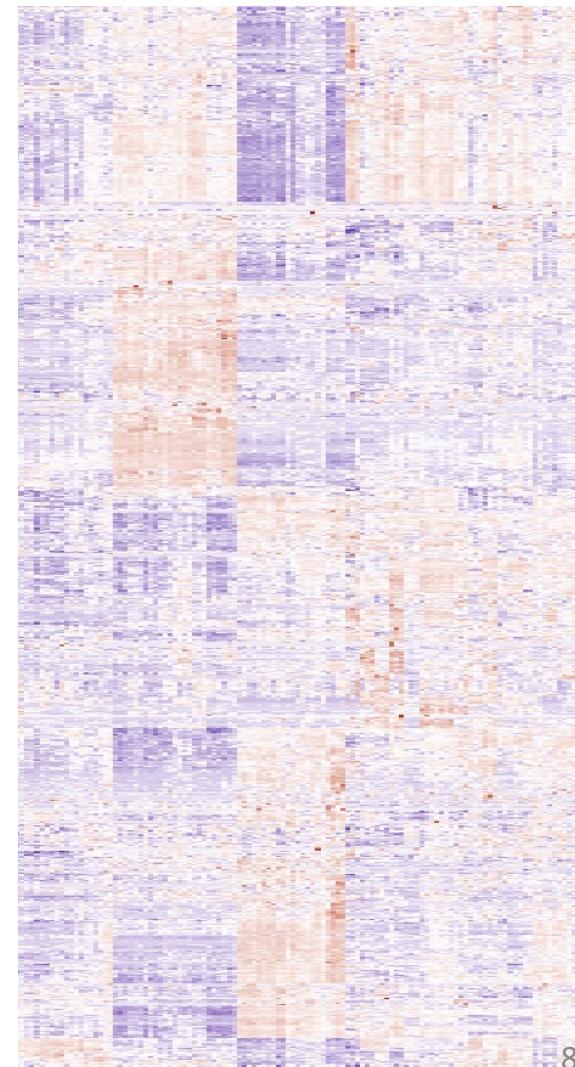
- Feel free to interrupt with questions by asking them directly or raising your (virtual) hand.
- Use the Q&A in Google Doc (or Zoom chat), we will provide answers
- Add a  when you are done with the current exercise
- Exercises in R:
 - We will try to debug as much as possible
 - We are happy if you share your results or alternative code!



Why do we perform enrichment analysis?

- Gene expression analysis yields hundreds to thousands of significant genes
 - We need to summarize the information provided by so many genes
 - Understand their biological relationships
 - Understand the genes' function (**functional analysis**)
 - Identify overarching biological processes or molecular pathways taking place in your system

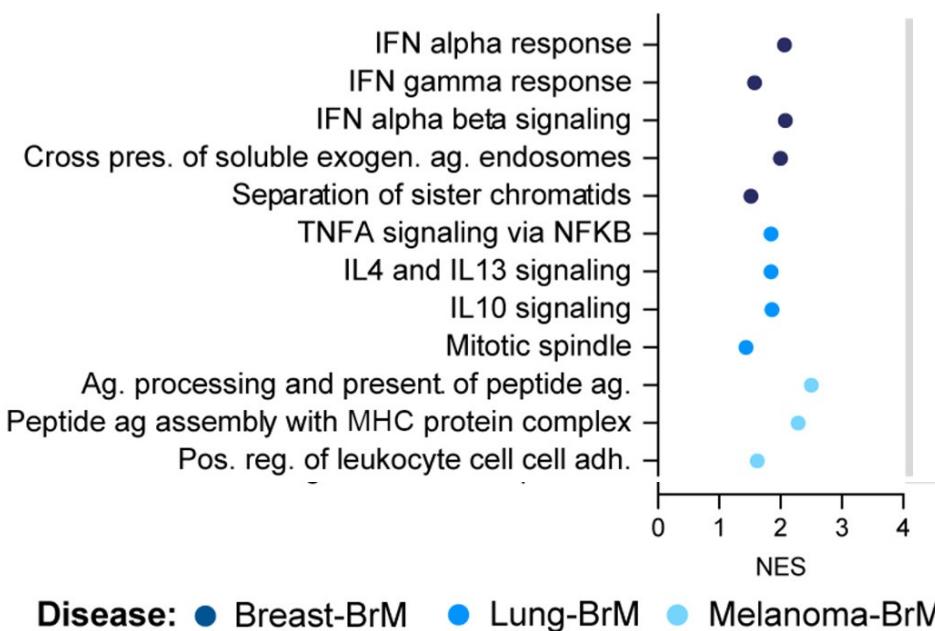
Some genes have similar expression pattern across samples



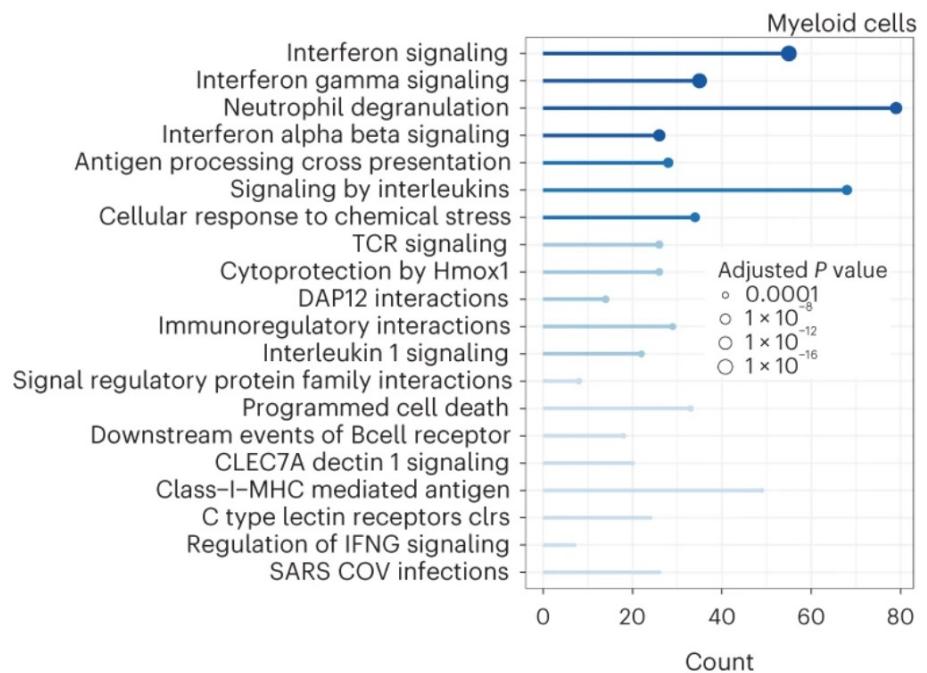
Enrichment analysis in the literature – non-exhaustive examples

Often presented in *omics* studies

Different molecular alterations in vasculature of brain metastasis from different origins, compared to normal brain vasculature



Impact of a treatment on myeloid cells, pathways that could contribute to tumor growth limitation



Bulk RNAseq (GSEA)

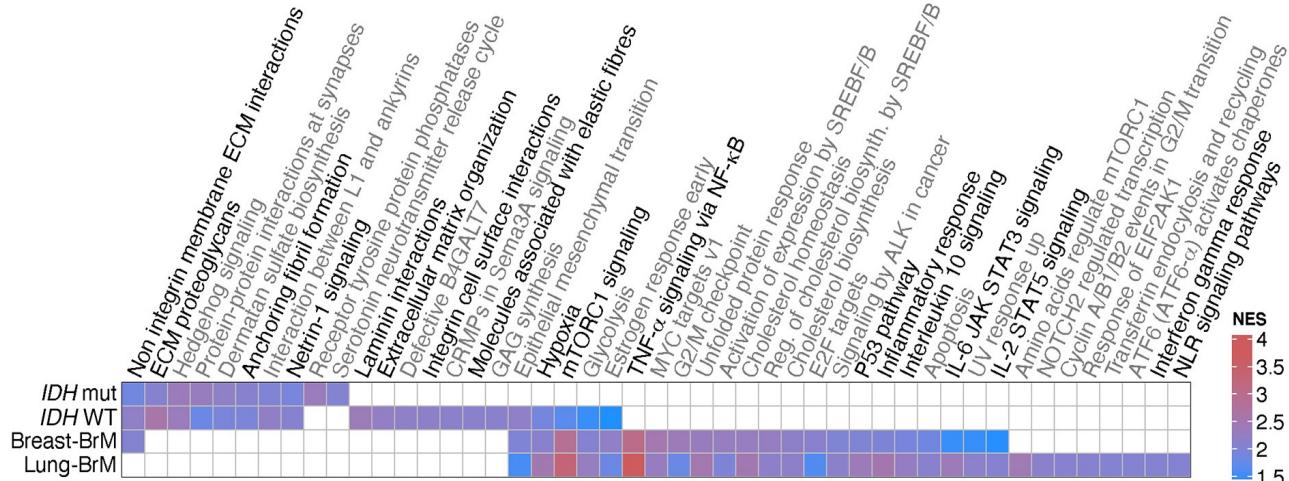
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ccell.2023.12.018>

Single-cell RNAseq (ORA)

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s43018-023-00668-y>⁹

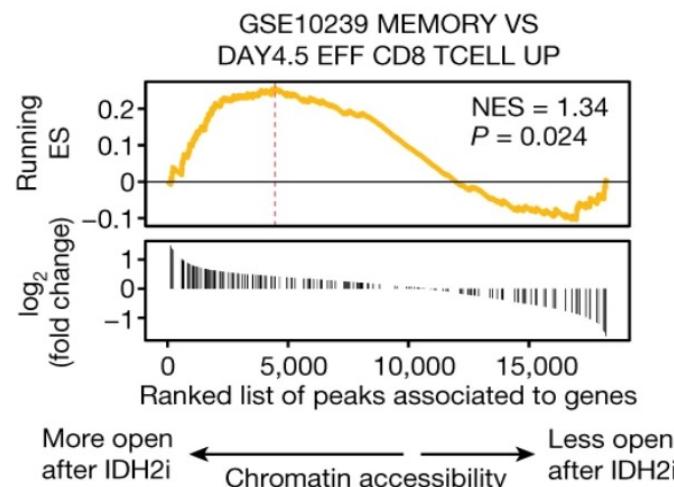
Enrichment analysis in the literature – non-exhaustive examples

Neutrophils (immune cells) express different pathways depending on the brain tumor genotype (mut/WT) or origin (primary vs metastatic tumor)



Bulk RNAseq (GSEA)

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2023.08.043>



Increased memory phenotype in immune cells exposed to a component.

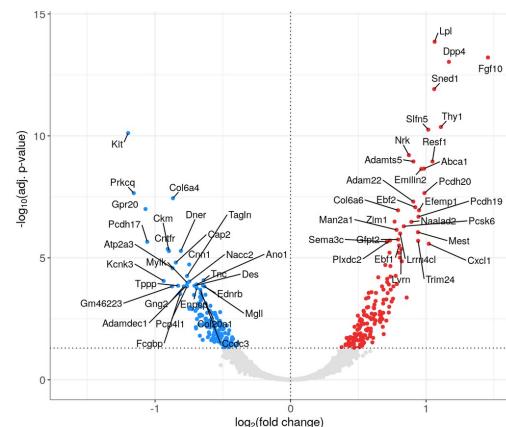
Bulk ATACseq (GSEA)

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41586-023-06546-y>

Enrichment analysis – input data

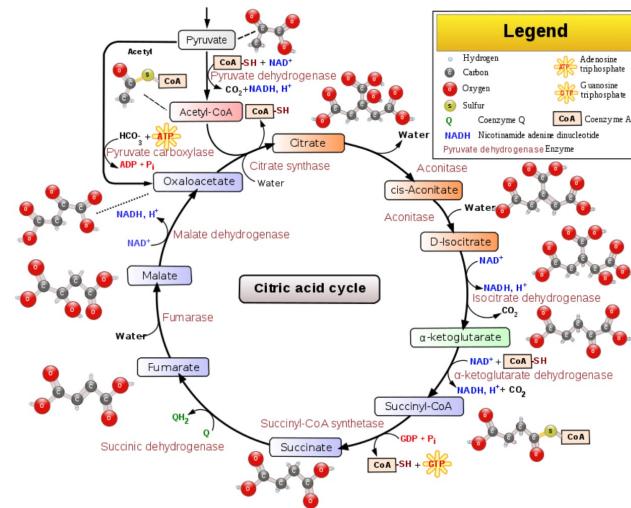
List of genes/proteins that are:

- Differentially expressed between 2 conditions
- Similar expression pattern across samples
- ...
- Either available as a list of gene symbols/IDs or with a score associated to each gene: e.g. T statistic or fold change



Database of gene/protein functional annotation

- Genes need to be grouped into gene sets/pathways/functional annotations.
- Consortia of researchers usually create these gene groupings/annotations



Enrichment analysis - three major steps

- Obtain a gene/protein list from omics data
- Apply statistical methods to identify pathways enriched in the gene list relative to what is expected by chance
- Visualize and interpret the results

List of genes of interest

Statistical methods to determine enriched pathways

Create figures

Enrichment analysis in non-model organisms

- Need **functional annotation** of genes: genes need to be grouped into pathways/functions.
- If not available, **convert your genes into the orthologs** of a closely related species that has such a database.
- Will require effort to find a gene functional annotation database. **All statistical analyses** are otherwise the same.

See Useful links:

<https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/links/#tools-for-species-other-than-human-or-mouse>

Approaches used in enrichment analysis

Test your gene list for enrichment of:

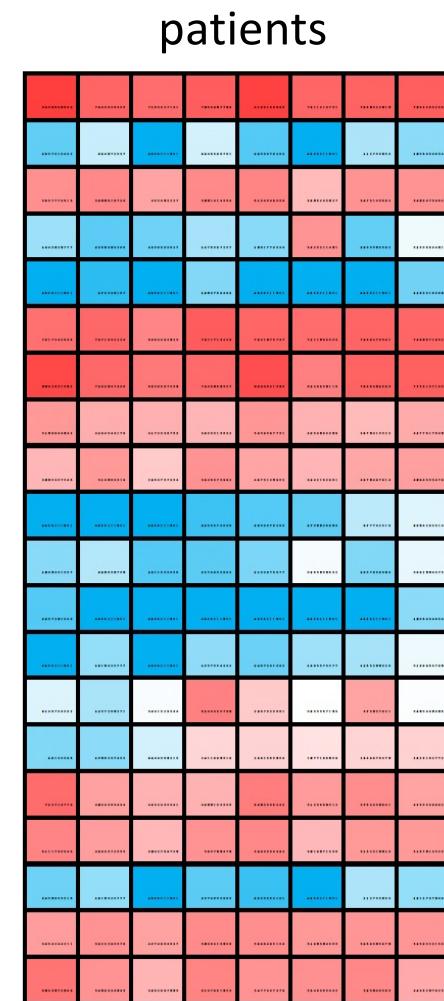
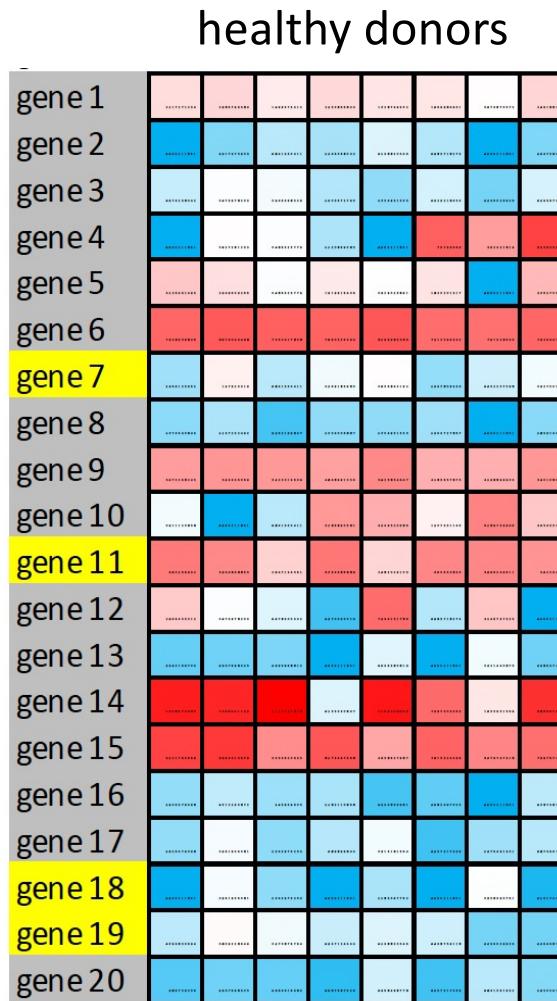
- Genes associated with a particular function or pathway (targeted)
- Genes annotated into a large collection of gene sets (exploratory)

Statistical methods available (covered today):

- over-representation analysis (ORA)
- gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA)

Over-representation analysis (ORA)

Are the DE genes overlapping with the genes contained within the **yellow set**?



sort based
on T-statistic or
fold change
and count
significant genes
based on p-value



| | |
|---------|-------|
| gene 20 | 8.86 |
| gene 7 | 7.98 |
| gene 16 | 7.72 |
| gene 8 | 6.78 |
| gene 17 | 6.50 |
| gene 1 | 6.47 |
| gene 3 | 4.44 |
| gene 19 | 1.54 |
| gene 13 | 0.48 |
| gene 2 | 0.39 |
| gene 6 | -0.06 |
| gene 9 | -0.11 |
| gene 18 | -0.55 |
| gene 10 | -2.40 |
| gene 15 | -3.67 |
| gene 4 | -5.09 |
| gene 11 | -6.52 |
| gene 5 | -6.59 |
| gene 12 | -6.60 |
| gene 14 | -6.65 |

Up-regulated & $p < 0.05$

Down-regulated & $p < 0.05$

Fisher's exact test

| 2 x 2 count table | Up-regulated | Not up-regulated | Total |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------|-------|
| Yellow | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Not yellow | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| Total | 8 | 11 | 19 |

contingency table

H_0 : The proportion of yellow genes up-regulated is the same as the proportion of yellow genes that are not up-regulated.

H_1 : The proportion of yellow genes up-regulated is not the same as the proportion of yellow genes that are not up-regulated.

Fisher's exact test in R

```
> cont.table <- matrix(c(2, 2, 6, 9), ncol=2, byrow = T)  
> fisher.test(cont.table)
```

Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

data: cont.table

p-value = 1

alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1

95 percent confidence interval:

0.0842889 25.7046974

sample estimates:

odds ratio

1.467696

| 2 x 2 count table | | Up-regulated | Not up-regulated | Total |
|-------------------|--|--------------|------------------|-------|
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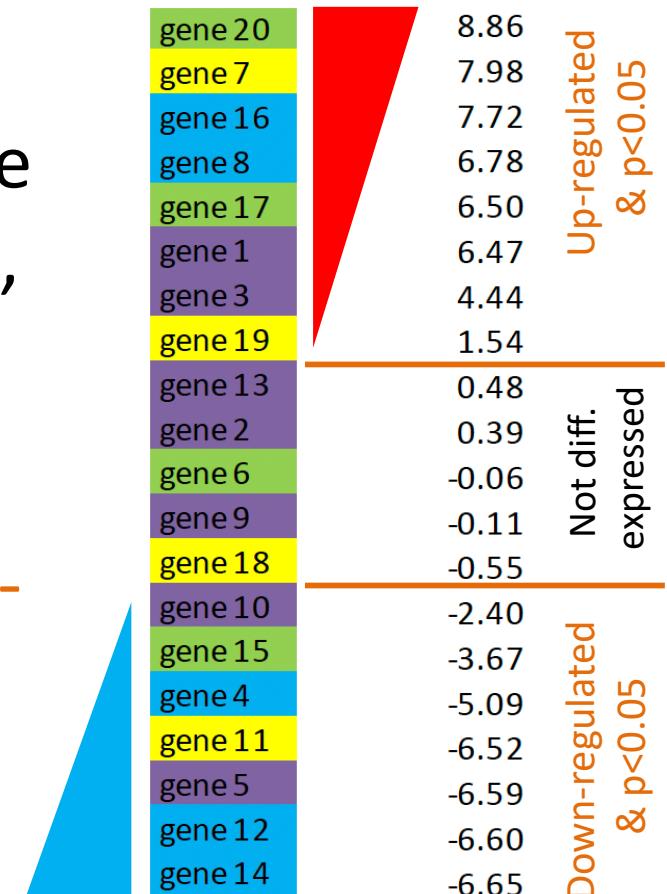
$$\begin{aligned}2/8 &= \\0.25\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}2/12 &= \\0.167\end{aligned}$$

Which gene sets are differentially expressed?

| | |
|---------|-------|
| gene 20 | 8.86 |
| gene 7 | 7.98 |
| gene 16 | 7.72 |
| gene 8 | 6.78 |
| gene 17 | 6.50 |
| gene 1 | 6.47 |
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Run individual Fisher's exact tests for each gene set, **yellow, blue, purple, green**



⇒Multiple tests need p-value adjustment.

Enrichment analysis using R: one possibility among others

clusterProfiler

platforms all rank 41 / 2140 support 1 5 / 2 3 in Bioc 11 years
build ok updated < 1 week dependencies 125

DOI: [10.18129/B9.bioc.clusterProfiler](https://doi.org/10.18129/B9.bioc.clusterProfiler)  

A universal enrichment tool for interpreting omics data

Bioconductor version: Release (3.15)

This package supports functional characteristics of both coding and non-coding genomics data for thousands of species with up-to-date gene annotation. It provides a universal interface for gene functional annotation from a variety of sources and thus can be applied in diverse scenarios. It provides a tidy interface to access, manipulate, and visualize enrichment results to help users achieve efficient data interpretation. Datasets obtained from multiple treatments and time points can be analyzed and compared in a single run, easily revealing functional consensus and differences among distinct conditions.

Author: Guangchuang Yu [aut, cre, cph] , Li-Gen Wang [ctb], Erqiang Hu [ctb], Xiao Luo [ctb], Meijun Chen [ctb], Giovanni Dall'Olio [ctb], Wanqian Wei [ctb]

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Built-in functions for enrichment analysis

Built-in gene sets for human, mouse, yeast, etc

Built-in GO and KEGG (see later)

- <https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/clusterProfiler.html>
- G Yu, LG Wang, Y Han, QY He. clusterProfiler: an R package for comparing biological themes among gene clusters. *OMICS: A Journal of Integrative Biology* 2012, 16(5):284-287. [doi:\[10.1089/omi.2011.0118\]\(http://dx.doi.org/10.1089/omi.2011.0118\)](https://doi.org/10.1089/omi.2011.0118)
- Full vignette: <http://yulab-smu.top/clusterProfiler-book/>

Functions for Fisher test and for ORA with R and clusterProfiler

Fisher exact test (package stats)

```
fisher.test(x, y = NULL, workspace = 200000, hybrid = FALSE,  
           hybridPars = c(expect = 5, percent = 80, Emin = 1),  
           control = list(), or = 1, alternative = "two.sided",  
           conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.95,  
           simulate.p.value = FALSE, B = 2000)
```

enricher(): implementation of hypergeometric test (one-sided Fisher test) for user defined gene list and gene set collections (package clusterProfiler)

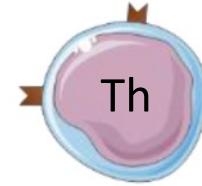
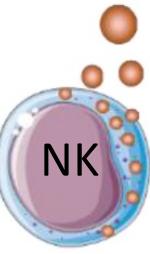
```
enricher(  
  gene,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  universe = NULL,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  qvalueCutoff = 0.2,  
  gson = NULL,  
  TERM2GENE,  
  TERM2NAME = NA  
)
```

TERM2GENE:
A 2-column
data frame

| term | gene |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE | ZC3H12A |
| GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE | ZNF683 |
| GOBP_ADAPTIVE_IMMUNE_RESPONSE | ZP3 |
| GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION | ATOH1 |
| GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION | CDH23 |
| GOBP_HAIR_CELL_DIFFERENTIATION | CLRN1 |

Eg genes that are markers of cell clusters of single-cell RNA seq





Recap and exercise 1

- Once we have identified differentially expressed (DE) genes, we can use an over-representation analysis to determine whether or not the genes of a gene set of interest are over-represented among the DE genes or not.
- Exercise 1:**
- Results table of differential gene expression analysis between 2 human immune cell types, natural killer (NK) cells and CD4 T helper cells (Th):

| ensembl_gene_id | symbol | logFC | t | P.Value | p.adj |
|-----------------|----------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| ENSG00000000003 | TSPAN6 | -5.643604444 | -4.67212847 | 4.260000e-05 | 7.358019e-04 |
| ENSG00000000419 | DPM1 | -0.181898089 | -1.10183079 | 2.780198e-01 | 5.176076e-01 |
| ENSG00000000457 | SCYL3 | 0.496987374 | 1.49103508 | 1.448691e-01 | 3.449889e-01 |
| ENSG00000000460 | C1orf112 | 1.121799095 | 1.44589945 | 1.570599e-01 | 3.630935e-01 |
| ENSG00000000938 | FGR | 10.670687340 | 7.21234165 | 1.980000e-08 | 1.718657e-06 |
| ENSG00000000971 | CFH | -3.412927673 | -2.78888655 | 8.480300e-03 | 4.610083e-02 |

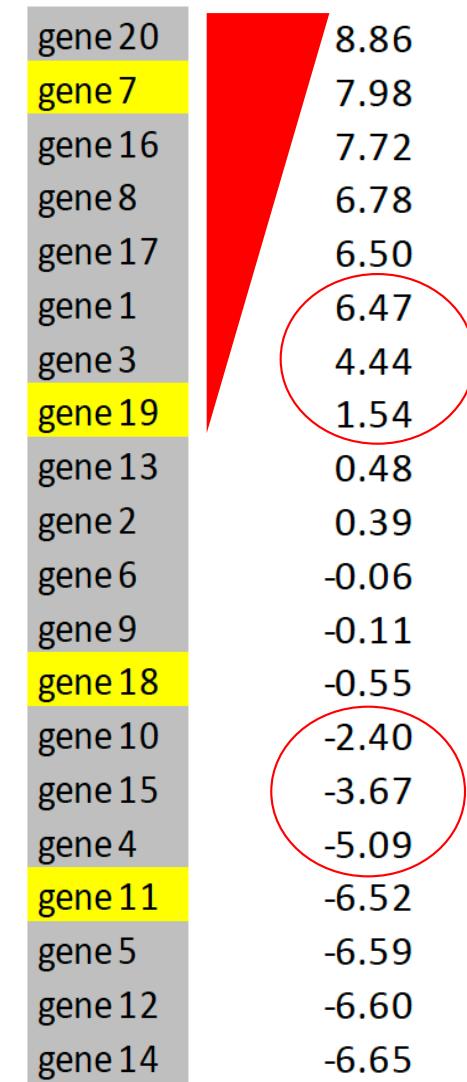
Positive logFC = higher in NK
Negative logFC = lower in NK

- Run a **Fisher's exact test** to determine whether genes involved in the **adaptive immune response** are over-represented among the genes up-regulated in Th cells.

Fisher's exact test is threshold-based

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Contingency table with count of genes,
does not take into account the **magnitude**
of the change of each gene.

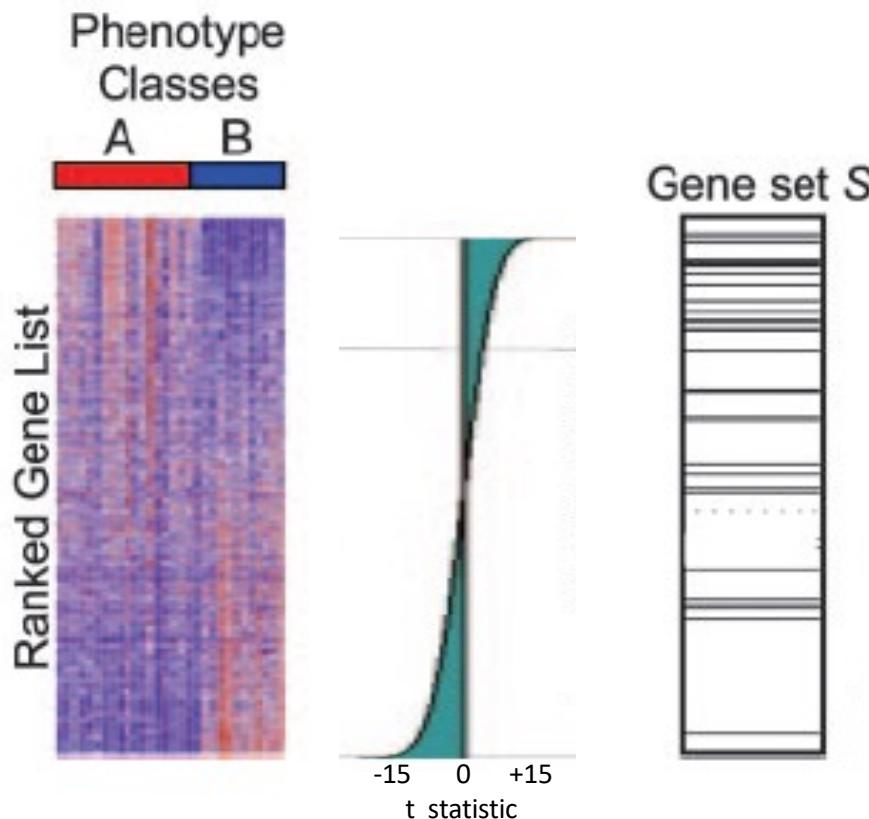


Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA)

- **Threshold-free:** the whole list of genes detected in the omics data is used.
- GSEA is a computational method that determines whether an *a priori* defined set of genes shows statistically significant, concordant differences between two biological states (MSigDB)
- Rank all genes based on score (eg t-statistic) and calculate an enrichment score (ES) that reflects the degree to which the members of a gene set are overrepresented at the top or bottom of the ranked genes.

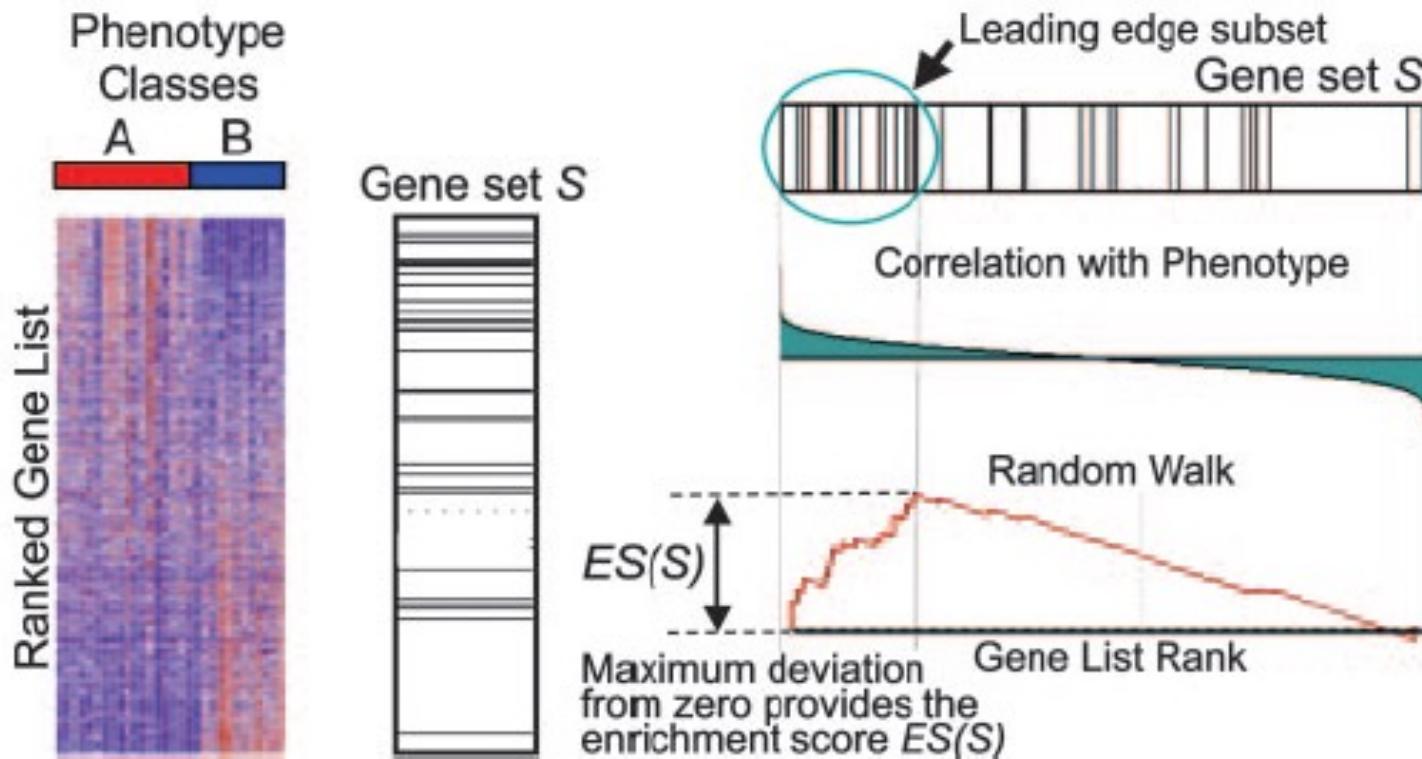
Method of GSEA

Goal: determine whether the members of a gene set **S** are randomly distributed throughout a ranked gene list or if they are located at the top or bottom of the ranked gene lists



1. Sort the genes based on the t statistic (=weight)

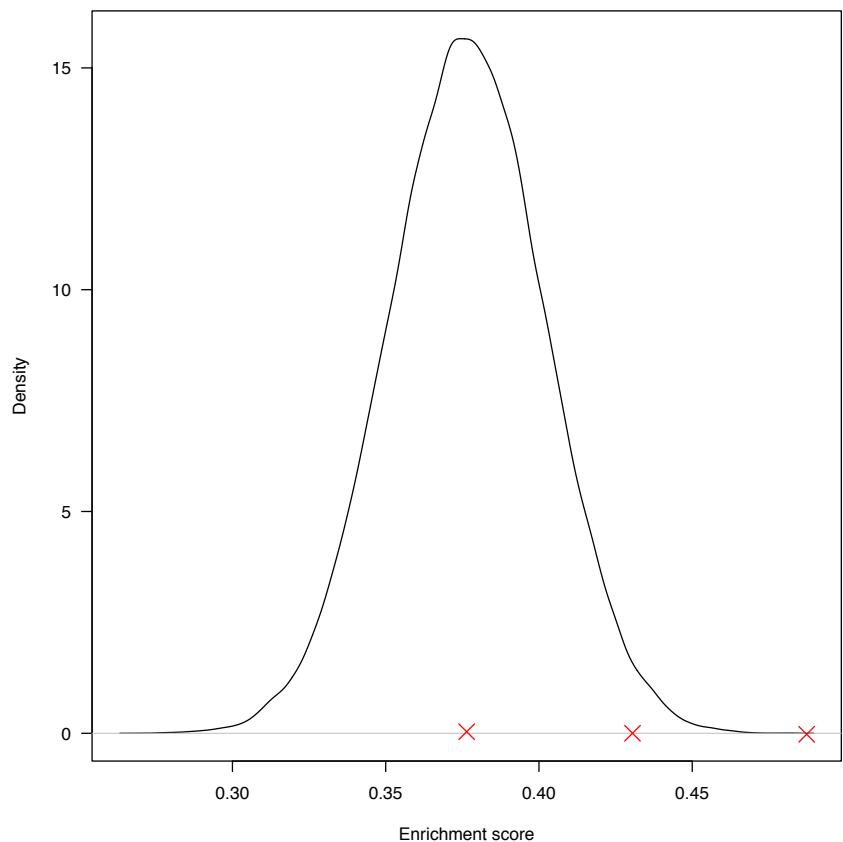
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3. Perform permutations of samples and/or genes to recalculate random ES scores
4. Calculate Normalized ES (NES) and estimate p-value of each gene set based on randomized ES scores
5. Adjust p-value



$$\text{NES} = \frac{\text{actual ES}}{\text{mean(ESs against all permutations of the dataset)}}$$

Do not forget p-value
adjustment if more than 1
gene set is tested!

NES: 1 NES: 1.16 NES: 1.32
p: 0.5 p: 0.05 p: 0.001

Functions for GSEA with clusterProfiler

GSEA(): GSEA of user-defined gene sets using
all ranked genes

```
GSEA(  
  geneList,  
  exponent = 1,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  eps = 1e-10,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  TERM2GENE,  
  TERM2NAME = NA,  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  seed = FALSE,  
  by = "fgsea",  
  ...  
)
```

gseGO(): GSEA of GO gene sets using
all ranked genes

```
gseGO(  
  geneList,  
  ont = "BP",  
  OrgDb,  
  keyType = "ENTREZID",  
  exponent = 1,  
  minGSSize = 10,  
  maxGSSize = 500,  
  eps = 1e-10,  
  pvalueCutoff = 0.05,  
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  seed = FALSE,  
  by = "fgsea",  
  ...  
)
```

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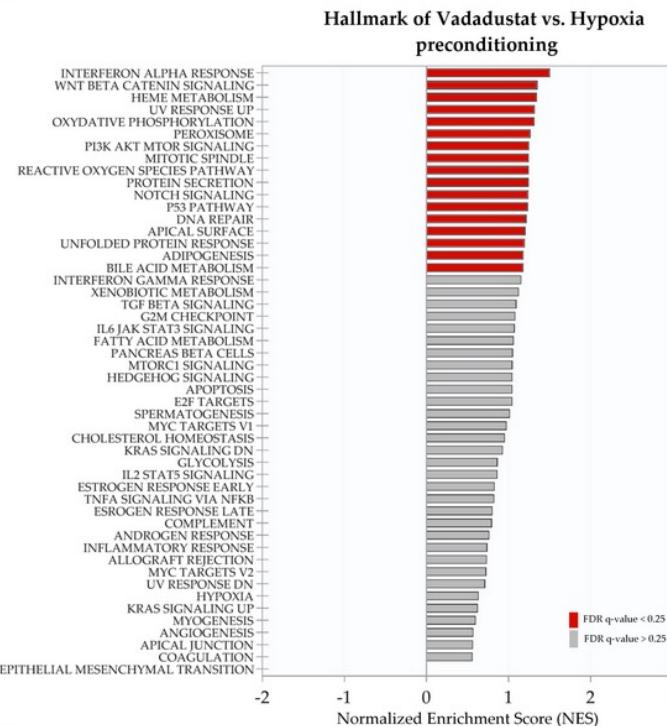
Recap and exercise 2

- Fisher test is a threshold-based method, while GSEA is a threshold-free enrichment method. Both can be used for single or multiple gene sets.
- Exercise 2: use functions of `clusterProfiler` and data provided in Ex. 1
 - Run a GSEA for the Gene Ontology gene sets (more details on this collection later)
 - Explore the results: how many gene sets are significant? Are the gene sets up-regulated or down-regulated in NK cells?

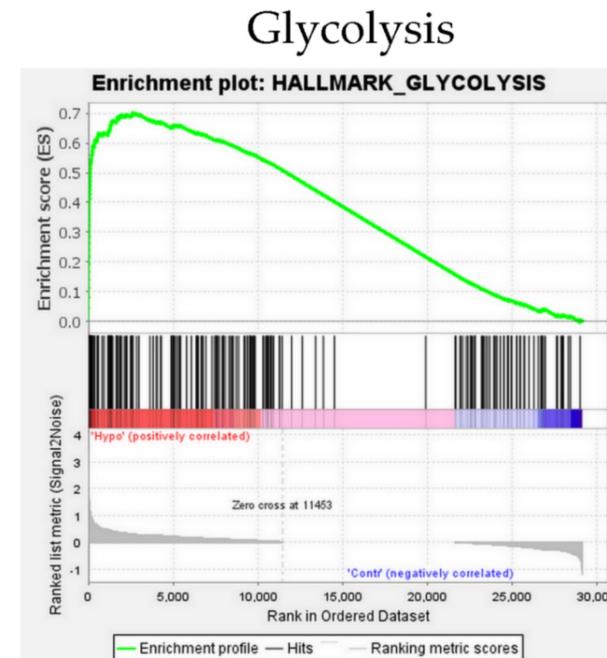
Visualization of enrichment results

There are many options, here some common ones:

Barplot of NES for many pathways:



GSEA plot for a single pathway:



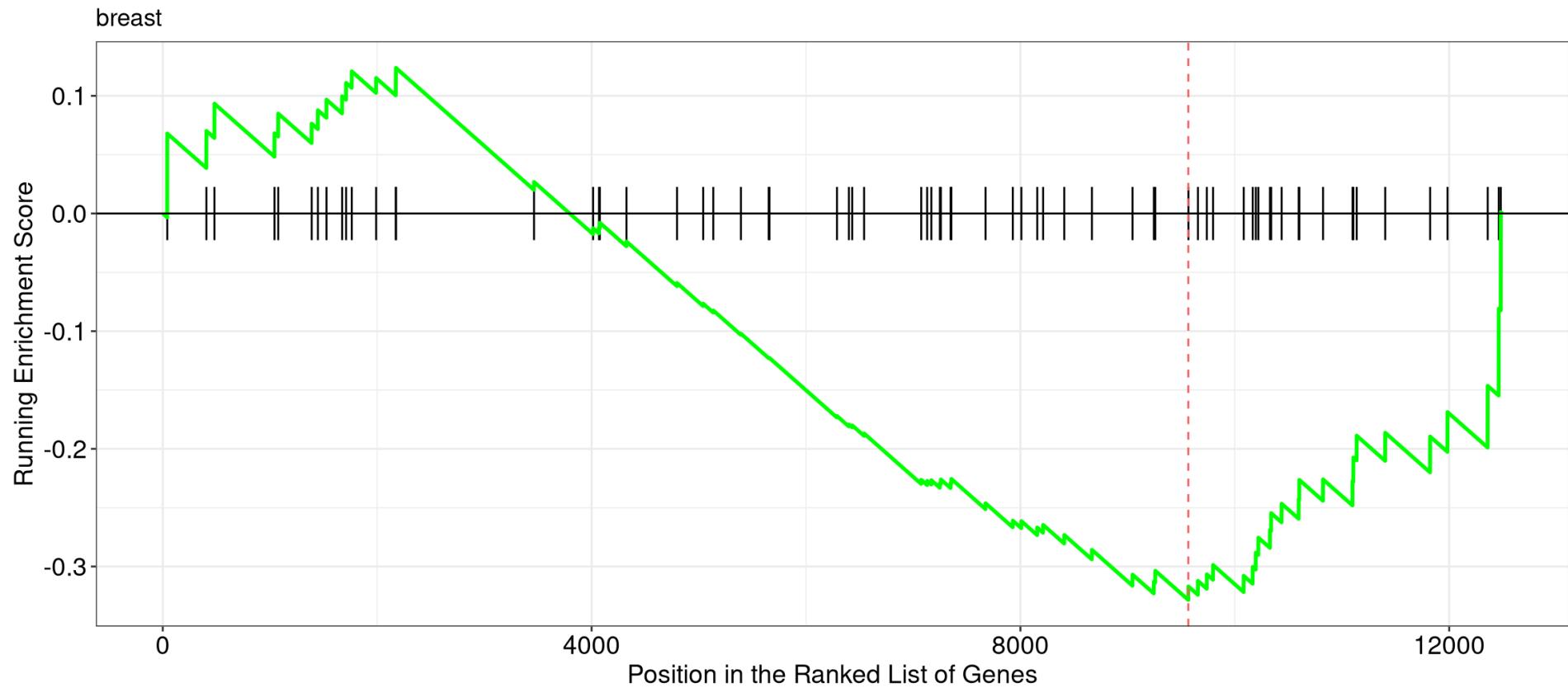
Via enrichplot: package for visualization using clusterProfiler objects

<https://www.bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/enrichplot.html>

Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

GSEA plot (or barcode plot; for gseaResult objects)

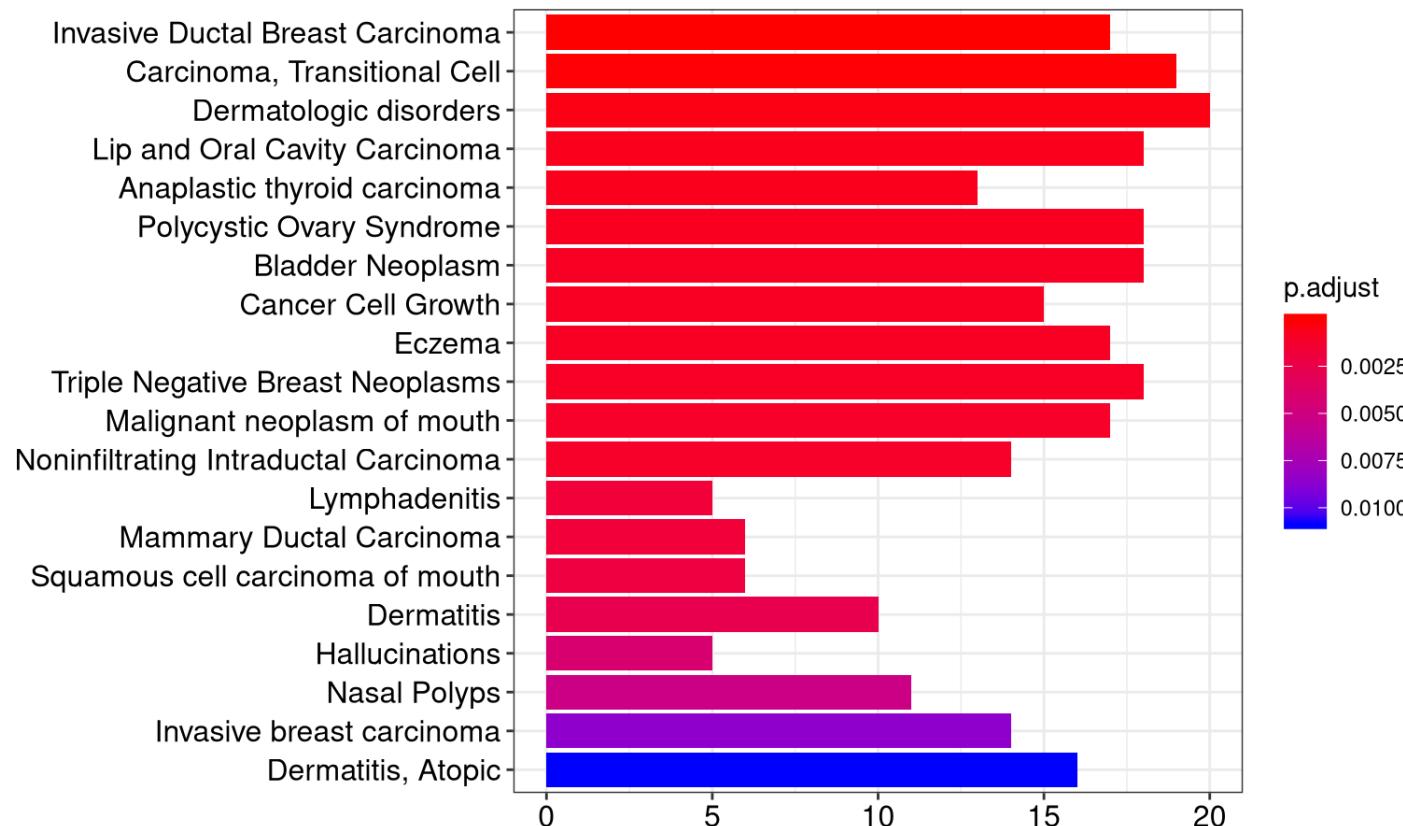
```
> gseaplot(h_NK_vs_Th, geneSetID = "breast", title=" breast")
```



Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

barplot (from graphics package but works on enrichResult objects)

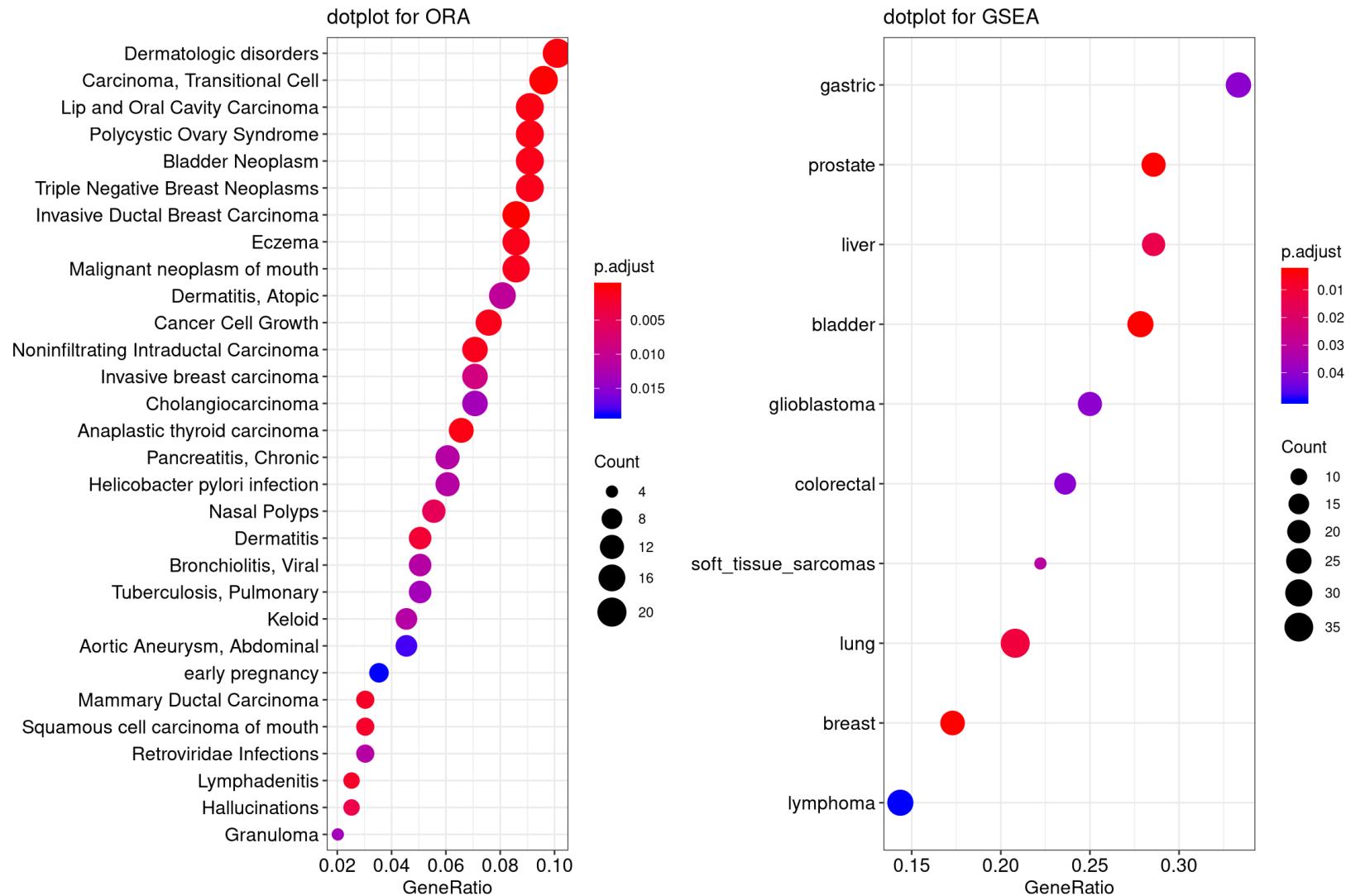
```
> ego <- enrichGO(de, OrgDb=org.Hs.eg.db, ont="BP", keyType = "SYMBOL")
> barplot(ego, showCategory=20)
```



Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

dotplot

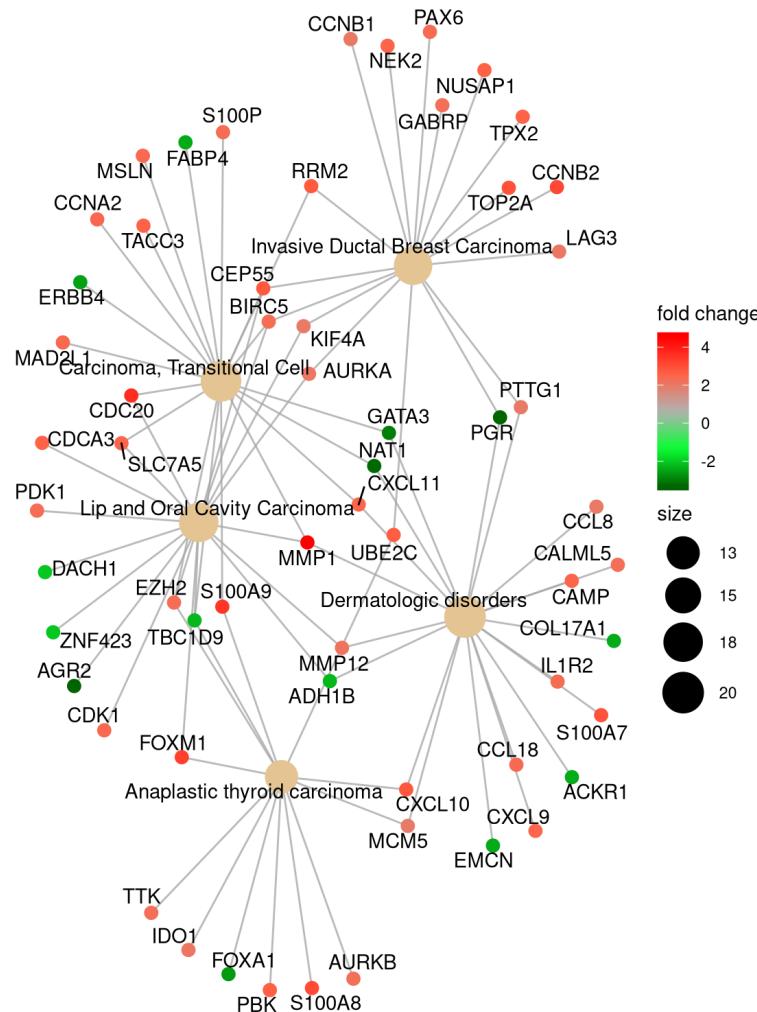
```
> ego <- enrichGO(de)
> dotplot(ego, showCategory=20)
```



Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

```
> cnetplot(ego, categorySize="pvalue", foldChange=geneList)
```

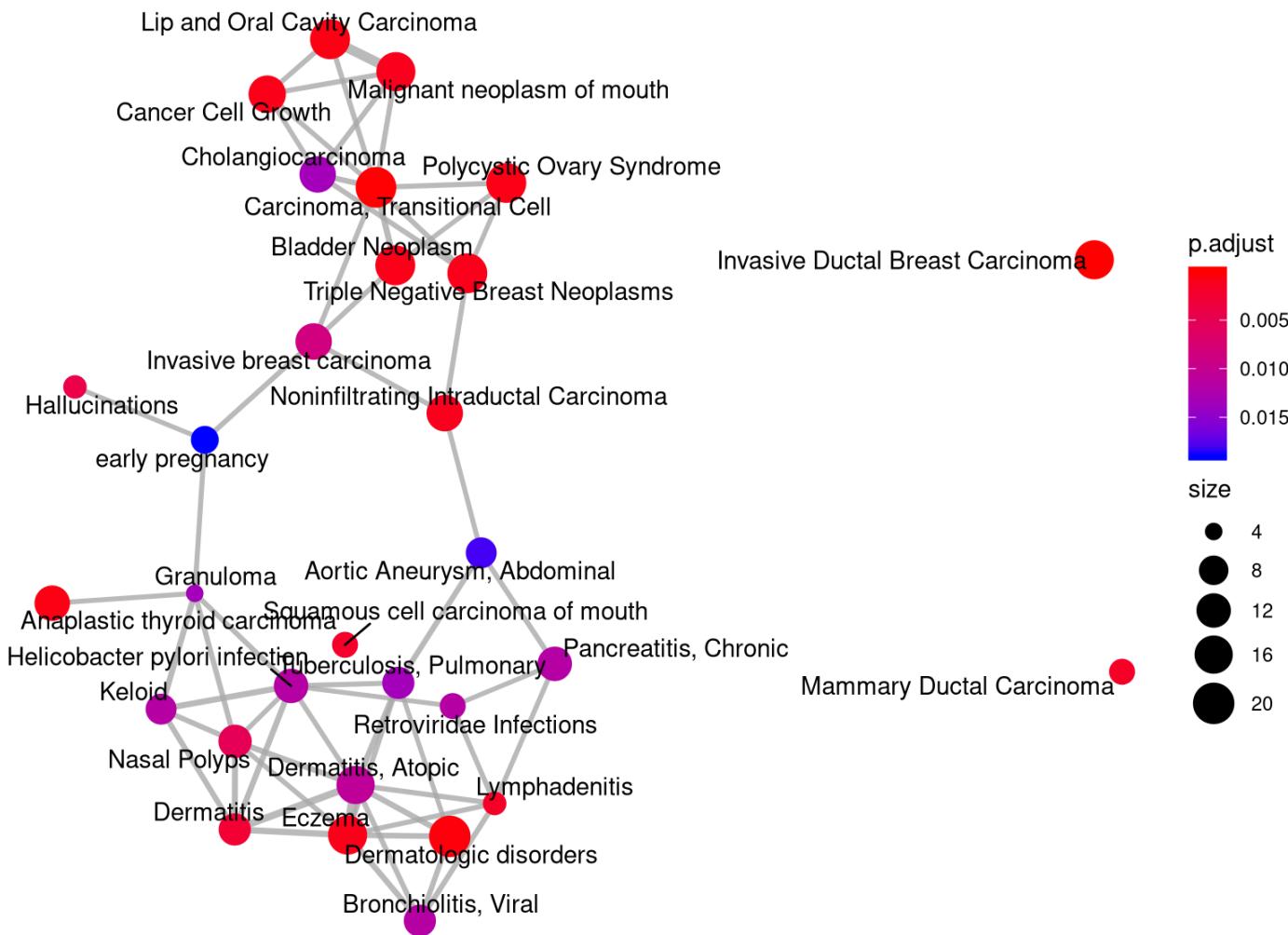
- Gene-concept network



Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- Enrichment map

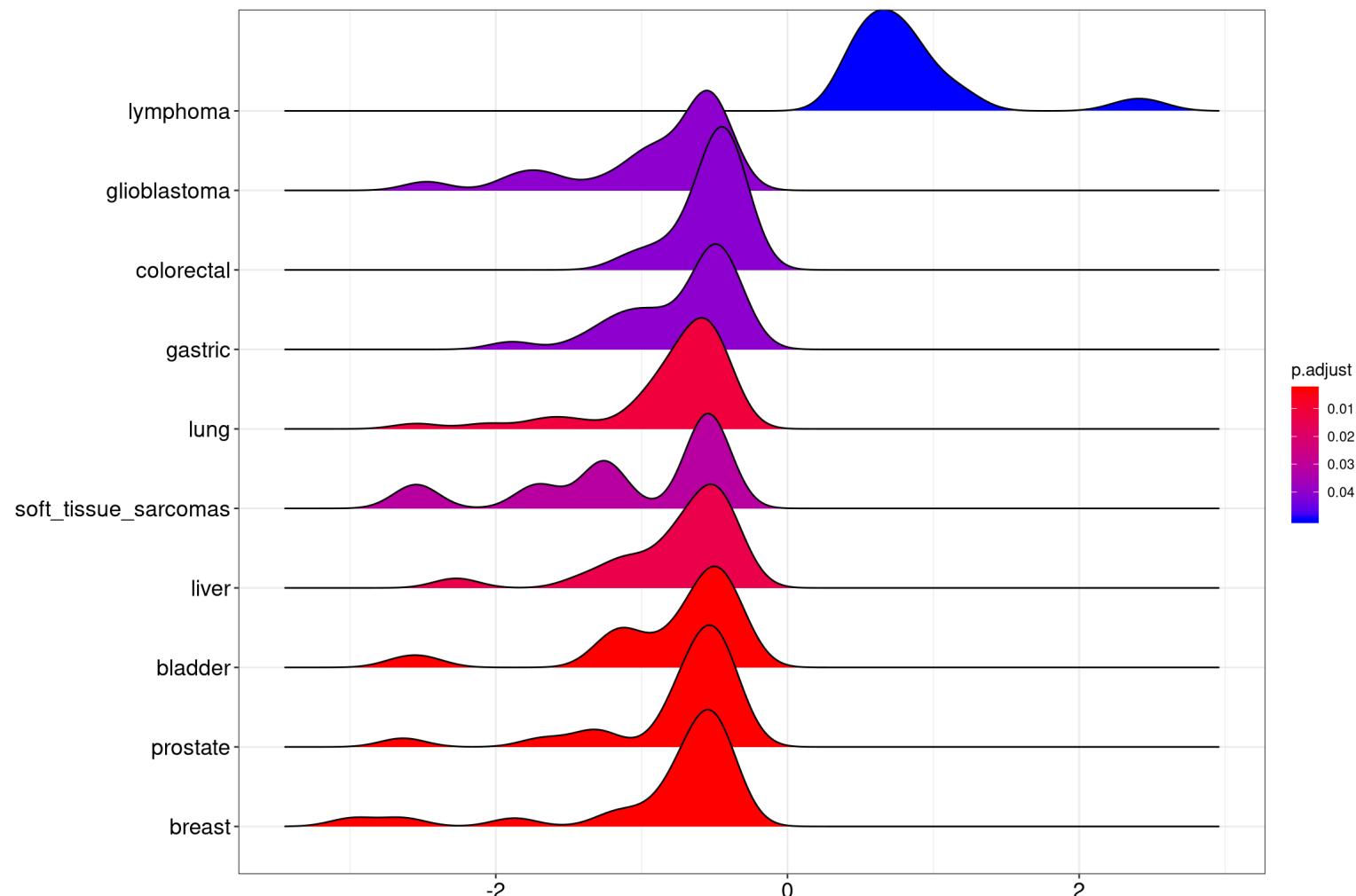
```
> ego <- enrichGO(de)  
> emapplot(ego)
```



Visualizations available in clusterProfiler

- Ridgeplot

```
> ego <- gseGO(de)  
> ridgeplot(ego)
```





Recap and Exercise 3

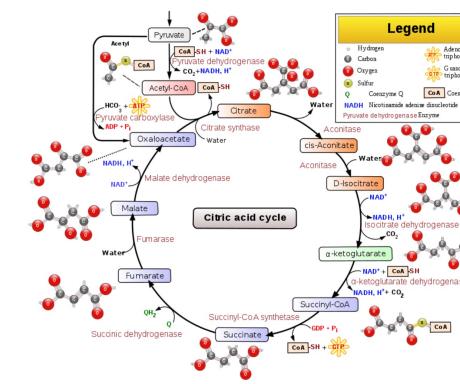
Several visualization methods can be used to represent the results, either for single gene sets (barcode plot) or for several gene sets (barplots, etc).

Exercise 3: Create figures for the enrichment results:

- barplot of $-\log_{10}(\text{p-value})$ of the p-values of the top 10 GO gene sets, or of positive and negative NES values
- Enrichment maps, gene-concept networks, ridge plots, etc

What is a gene set?

- Genes working together in a pathway (e.g. energy release through Krebs cycle)
- Genes located in the same compartment in a cell (e.g. all proteins located in the cell nucleus)
- Proteins that are all regulated by a same transcription factor
- Custom gene list that comes from a publication and that are down-regulated in a mutant
- List of SNPs associated with a disease
- ... etc!
- Several gene sets are grouped into Knowledge bases

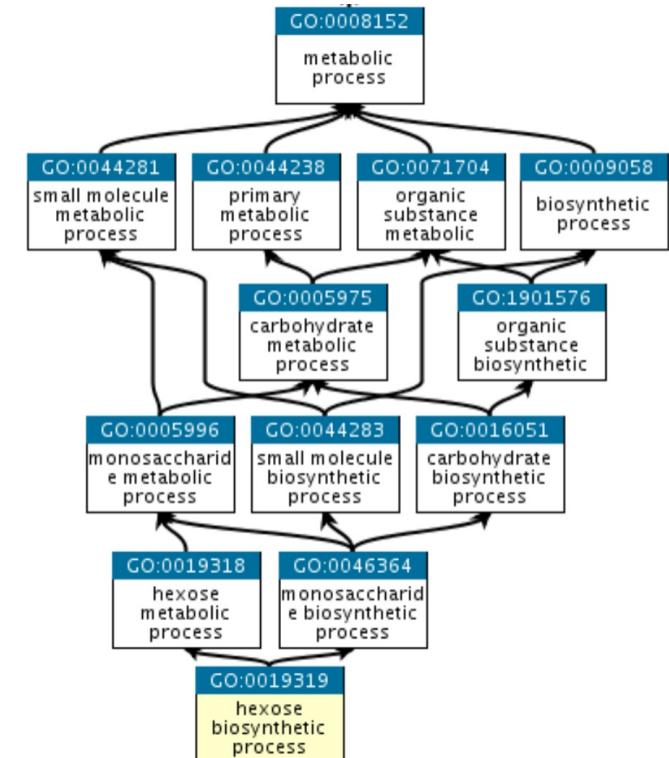


Gene ontology

- <http://geneontology.org/>

Collaborative effort to address the need for consistent descriptions of gene products across databases

- GO Consortium: develop a comprehensive, computational model of biological systems, ranging from the molecular to the organism level, across the multiplicity of species in the tree of life
- GO terms = GO categorizations
- GO term: each with a name (DNA repair) and a unique accession number (GO:0005125)



The Gene Ontology (GO) knowledgebase is the world's largest source of information on the functions of genes.

Gene ontology

GO ontologies: GO terms organized in 3 independent controlled vocabularies

- **Molecular function:** represents the biochemical activity of the gene product, such activities could include "ligand", "GTPase", and "transporter".
- **Cellular component:** refers to the location in the cell of the gene product. Cellular components could include "nucleus", "lysosome", and "plasma membrane".
- **Biological process:** refers to the biological role involving the gene or gene product, and could include "transcription", "signal transduction", and "apoptosis". A biological process generally involves a chemical or physical change of the starting material or input.

KEGG

<https://www.genome.jp/kegg/pathway.html>

KEGG Databases Mapper Auto annotation Kanehisa Lab



KEGG PATHWAY Database

Wiring diagrams of molecular interactions, reactions and relations

KEGG2 PATHWAY BRITE MODULE KO GENES COMPOUND DISEASE DRUG

Select prefix Enter keywords Help

[New pathway maps | Update history]

Pathway Maps

KEGG PATHWAY is a collection of manually drawn [pathway maps](#) representing our knowledge of the molecular interaction, reaction and relation networks for:

1. Metabolism

Global/overview Carbohydrate Energy Lipid Nucleotide Amino acid Other amino Glycan
Cofactor/vitamin Terpenoid/PK Other secondary metabolite Xenobiotics Chemical structure

2. Genetic Information Processing

3. Environmental Information Processing

4. Cellular Processes

5. Organismal Systems

6. Human Diseases

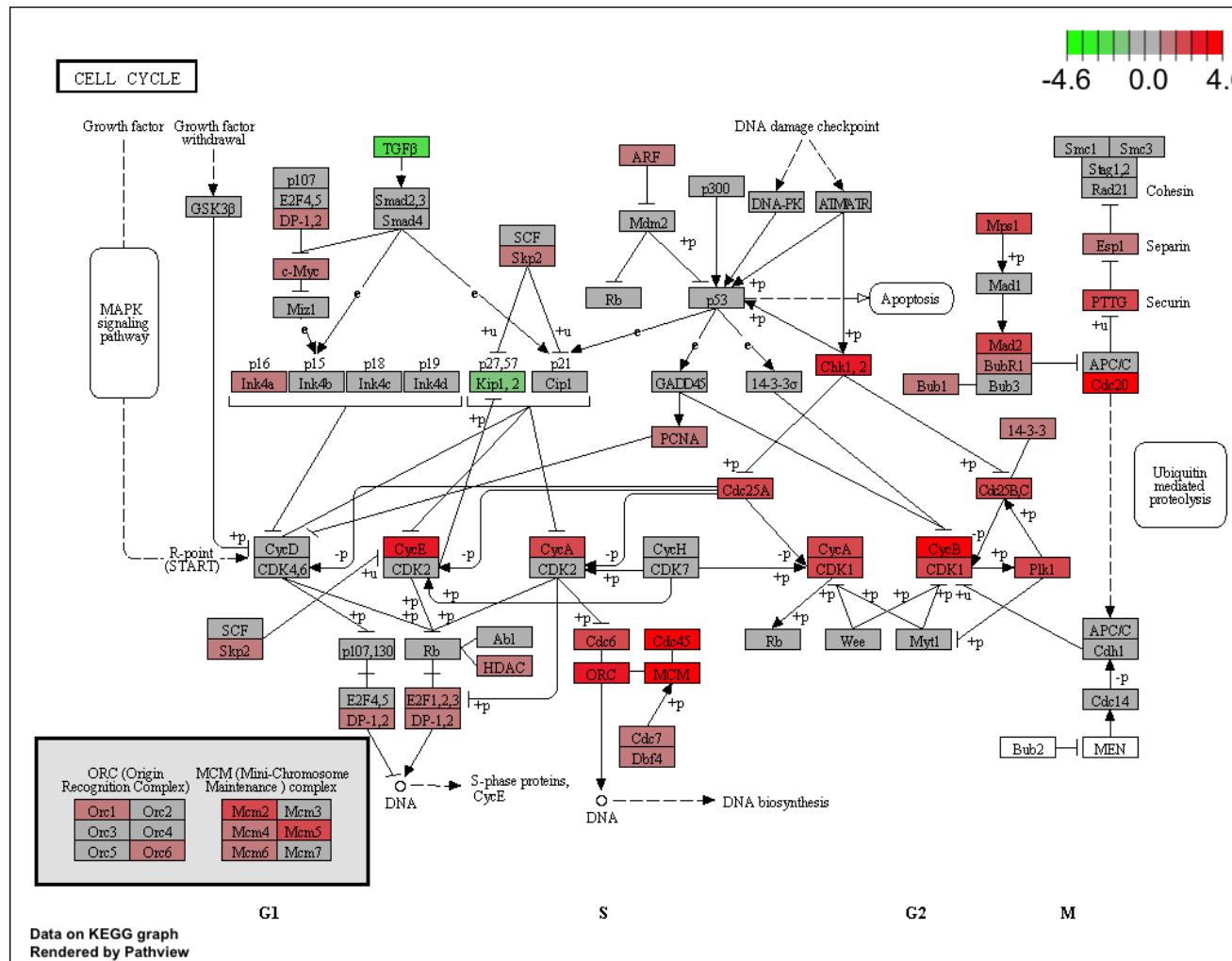
7. Drug Development

KEGG PATHWAY is the reference database for pathway mapping in **KEGG Mapper**.

Visualization for KEGG pathways

pathview package

```
> pathview(gene.data = geneList, pathway.id = "hsa04110", species = "hsa",
  limit = list(gene=max(abs(geneList)), cpd=1))
```



Reactome

<https://reactome.org/>



The screenshot shows the Reactome website homepage. At the top left is the Reactome logo. At the top right are navigation links: About, Content, Docs, Tools, Community, and Download. Below the navigation is a search bar with the placeholder "Find Reactions, Proteins and Pathways" and a "Go!" button. Below the search bar are four large blue rounded squares, each containing a white icon and a title: "Pathway Browser" (with a network icon), "Analysis Tools" (with a bar chart icon), "ReactomeFIViz" (with a network node icon), and "Documentation" (with a document icon).

| Pathway Browser | Analysis Tools | ReactomeFIViz | Documentation |
|--|---|--|--|
| Visualize and interact with Reactome biological pathways | Merges pathway identifier mapping, over-representation, and expression analysis | Designed to find pathways and network patterns related to cancer and other types of diseases | Information to browse the database and use its principal tools for data analysis |

MSigDB

<https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/index.jsp>

H **hallmark gene sets** are coherently expressed signatures derived by aggregating many MSigDB gene sets to represent well-defined biological states or processes.

C1 **positional gene sets** for each human chromosome and cytogenetic band.

C2 **curated gene sets** from online pathway databases, publications in PubMed, and knowledge of domain experts.

C3 **regulatory target gene sets** based on gene target predictions for microRNA seed sequences and predicted transcription factor binding sites.

C4 **computational gene sets** defined by mining large collections of cancer-oriented microarray data.

C5 **ontology gene sets** consist of genes annotated by the same ontology term.

C6 **oncogenic signature gene sets** defined directly from microarray gene expression data from cancer gene perturbations.

C7 **immunologic signature gene sets** represent cell states and perturbations within the immune system.

C8 **cell type signature gene sets** curated from cluster markers identified in single-cell sequencing studies of human tissue.

Download gmt files with version number:

<https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/downloads.jsp>

The Hallmark collection:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4707969/>

msigdbr package

Homologues for other species

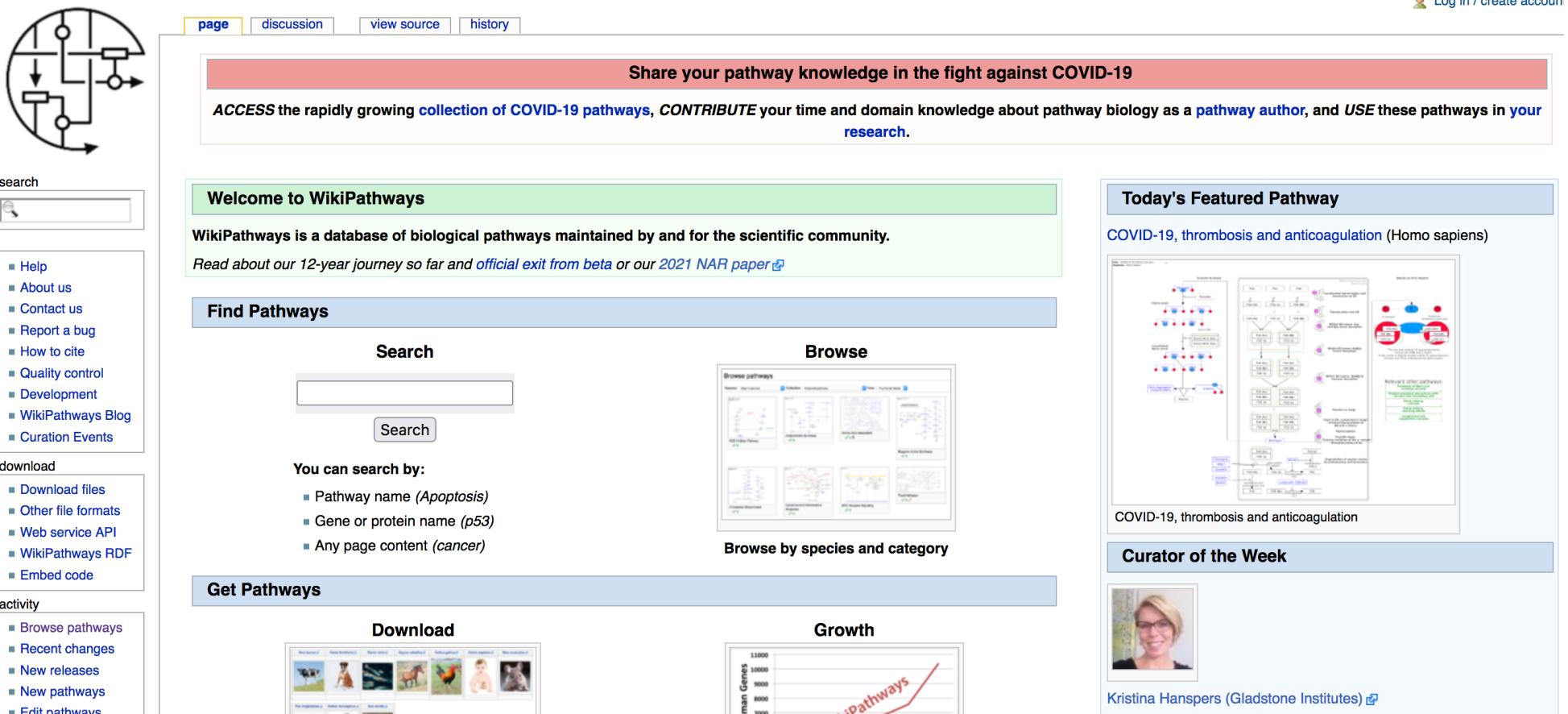
```
msigdbr_species()  
#> # A tibble: 20 × 2  
#>   species_name      species_common_name  
#>   <chr>                <chr>  
#> 1 Anolis carolinensis Carolina anole, green anole  
#> 2 Bos taurus        bovine, cattle, cow, dairy cow, domestic cattle, domes...  
#> 3 Caenorhabditis elegans <NA>  
#> 4 Canis lupus familiaris dog, dogs  
#> 5 Danio rerio       leopard danio, zebra danio, zebra fish, zebrafish  
#> 6 Drosophila melanogaster fruit fly  
#> 7 Equus caballus    domestic horse, equine, horse  
#> 8 Felis catus       cat, cats, domestic cat  
#> 9 Gallus gallus    bantam, chicken, chickens, Gallus domesticus  
#> 10 Homo sapiens    human  
#> 11 Macaca mulatta  rhesus macaque, rhesus macaques, Rhesus monkey, rhesus...  
#> 12 Monodelphis domestica gray short-tailed opossum  
#> 13 Mus musculus    house mouse, mouse  
#> 14 Ornithorhynchus anatinus  duck-billed platypus, duckbill platypus, platypus  
#> 15 Pan troglodytes chimpanzee
```

Helper function to view available collections

```
msigdbr_collections()  
#> # A tibble: 23 × 3  
#>   gs_cat  gs_subcat     num_genesets  
#>   <chr>  <chr>          <int>  
#> 1 C1      ""              299  
#> 2 C2      "CPG"           3384  
#> 3 C2      "CP"              29  
#> 4 C2      "CP:BIOCARTA"    292  
#> 5 C2      "CP:KEGG"         186  
#> 6 C2      "CP:PID"           196  
#> 7 C2      "CP:REACTOME"      1615  
#> 8 C2      "CP:WIKIPATHWAYS"   664  
#> 9 C3      "MIR:MIRDB"        2377  
#> 10 C3     "MIR:MIRDB"        2377
```

WikiPathways

<https://www.wikipathways.org/index.php/WikiPathways>



The screenshot shows the main interface of the WikiPathways website. On the left, there's a sidebar with links for Help, About us, Contact us, Report a bug, How to cite, Quality control, Development, WikiPathways Blog, and Curation Events. Below that is a download section for files and code, and an activity section for recent changes and pathway releases. The main content area has tabs for page, discussion, view source, and history. A prominent red banner at the top encourages users to contribute to COVID-19 pathways. Below it, the "Welcome to WikiPathways" section introduces the database and links to a 12-year journey paper. The "Find Pathways" section includes a search bar, a "Browse" section with pathway thumbnails, and a "Get Pathways" section with a download interface. To the right, a "Today's Featured Pathway" section displays a complex biological pathway diagram for COVID-19, thrombosis, and anticoagulation. Below it, a "Curator of the Week" section features a photo of Kristina Hanspers.

Log in / create account

Share your pathway knowledge in the fight against COVID-19

ACCESS the rapidly growing collection of COVID-19 pathways, CONTRIBUTE your time and domain knowledge about pathway biology as a pathway author, and USE these pathways in your research.

Welcome to WikiPathways

WikiPathways is a database of biological pathways maintained by and for the scientific community.

Read about our 12-year journey so far and [official exit from beta](#) or our [2021 NAR paper](#).

Find Pathways

Search

You can search by:

- Pathway name (*Apoptosis*)
- Gene or protein name (*p53*)
- Any page content (*cancer*)

Browse

Browse by species and category

Get Pathways

Download

Growth

COVID-19, thrombosis and anticoagulation (Homo sapiens)

Today's Featured Pathway

COVID-19, thrombosis and anticoagulation

Curator of the Week

Kristina Hanspers (Gladstone Institutes)

GSEA of other gene sets in R

KEGG: ClusterProfiler built-in function for GSEA of KEGG pathways

```
gseKEGG(geneList, organism = "hsa", keyType = "kegg", exponent = 1,  
nPerm = 1000, minGSSize = 10, maxGSSize = 500,  
pvalueCutoff = 0.05, pAdjustMethod = "BH", verbose = TRUE,  
use_internal_data = FALSE, seed = FALSE, by = "fgsea")
```

User-defined gene set collection: Import a .gmt file of gene sets and convert to TERM2GENE data frame needed for clusterProfiler: `read.gmt(gmtfile)`

Converts a gmt text file with 1 gene set per line to a 2-column data frame:

```
!loads/h.all.v2024.1.Hs.symbols.gmt ◊  
h.all.v2024.1.Hs.symbols.gmt  
HALLMARKADIPOGENESIS https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKADIPOGENESIS ABCA1 ABCB8 ACA2 ACADL  
HALLMARKALLOGRAFTREJECTION https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKALLOGRAFTREJECTION AARS1 ABCE1  
HALLMARKANDROGENRESPONSE https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKANDROGENRESPONSE ABCC4 ABHD2 AC  
HALLMARKANGIogenesis https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKANGIogenesis APOM APP CCND2 COL3A1 CO  
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HALLMARKAPOPTOSIS https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKAPOPTOSIS ADD1 AIMM3 ANKH ANXA1 AF  
HALLMARKBILEACIDMETABOLISM https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKBILEACIDMETABOLISM ABCA1 ABCA2  
HALLMARKCHOLESTEROLHOMEOSTASIS https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKCHOLESTEROLHOMEOSTASIS ABCA2  
HALLMARKCOAGULATION https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKCOAGULATION A2M AC0X2 ADAM9 ANG ANXA1  
HALLMARKCOMPLEMENT https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKCOMPLEMENT ACTN2 ADAM9 ADRA2B AKAP10 AN  
HALLMARKDNAREPAIR https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKDNAREPAIR AAAS ADA ADCY6 ADMR1 AG04  
HALLMARKE2FTARGETS https://www.gsea-msigdb.org/gsea/msigdb/human/geneset/HALLMARKE2FTARGETS AK2 ANP32E ASF1A ASF1B AT
```

```
> head(term2gene_h)  
 ont gene  
 1 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB JUNB  
 2 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB CXCL2  
 3 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB ATF3  
 4 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB NFKBIA  
 5 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB TNFAIP3  
 6 HALLMARK_TNFA_SIGNALING_VIA_NFKB PTGS2
```

Conversion of gene ID types with clusterProfiler (or biomaRt package)

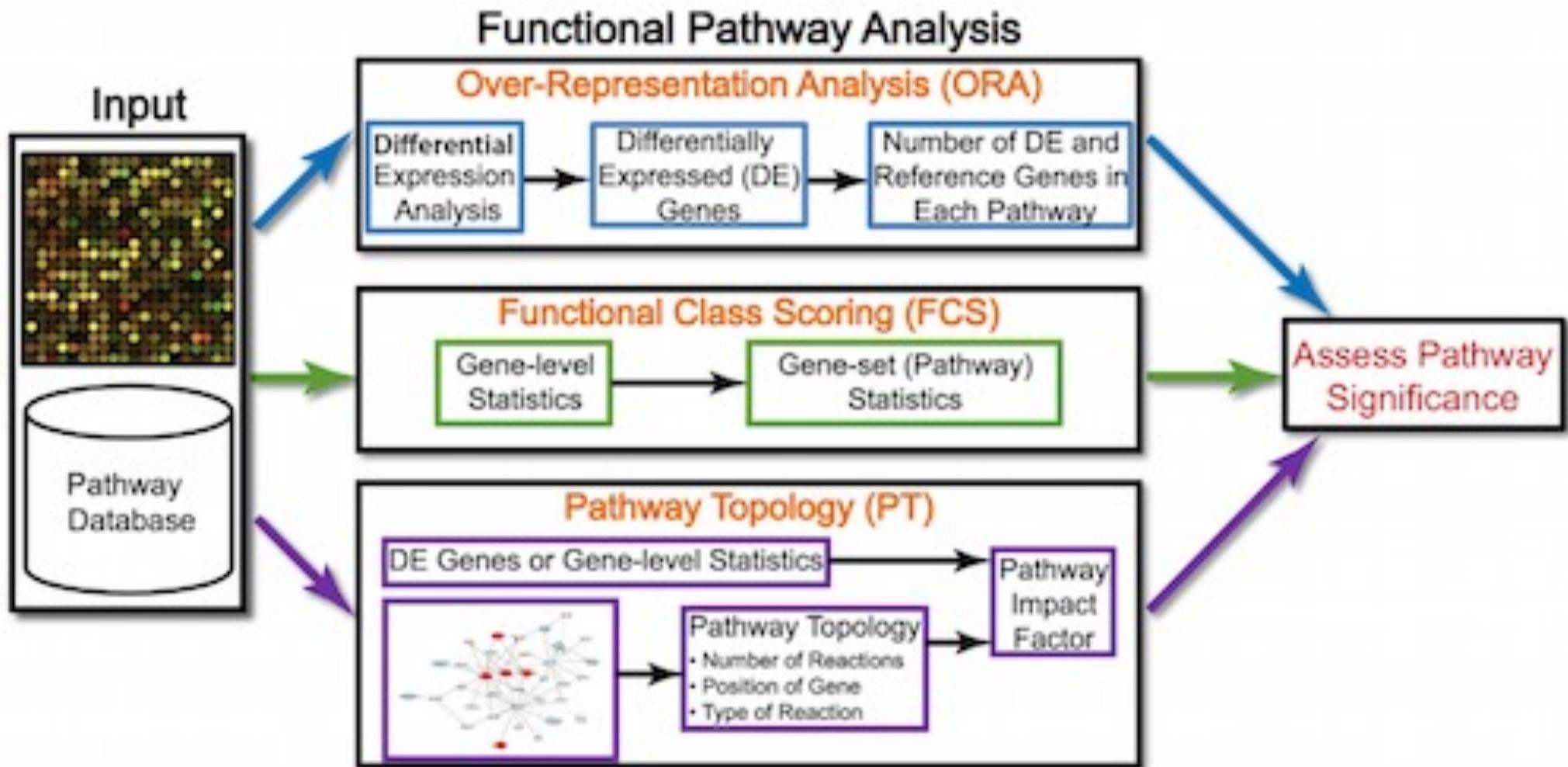
```
bitr(geneID, fromType, toType, OrgDb, drop = TRUE)
```

biomaRt: <https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/biomaRt.html>

Recap and exercise 4

- We have seen how to perform GSEA using the built-in GO gene sets. Please perform GSEA with the built-in KEGG pathways, as well as with the hallmark gene sets obtained from MSigDB.
- Exercise 4: use functions of clusterProfiler and data provided in Ex. 1, and hallmark gene sets downloaded from MSigDB
 - First convert the gene symbols to EntrezID, then perform a GSEA of KEGG pathways (with argument minGSSize=30).
 - Explore the results. Is there an immune-related gene set coming up? Is there a Natural killer gene set coming up?
 - Using msigdbr, obtain a TERM2GENE data.frame of the Hallmark gene sets and run a GSEA. How many significant gene sets are there?

Enrichment/functional analysis - summary



Functional analysis: Pathway topology tools

Signaling pathway impact analysis (SPIA)

Identification of dys-regulated pathways: taking into account gene interaction information + fold changes and adjusted p-values from differential expression analysis

| KEGG pathway | P_{NDE} | P_{PERT} | P_G | P_{FDR} | P_{FWER} | Status |
|------------------|-----------|------------|--------|-----------|------------|--------|
| Focal adhe..4510 | 0.0001 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 0.00000 | 0.00000 | Act. |
| ECM-recept..4512 | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0000 | 0.00001 | 0.00002 | Act. |
| PPAR signa..3320 | 0.0000 | 0.1240 | 0.0000 | 0.00011 | 0.00034 | Inh. |
| Alzheimers..5010 | 0.0000 | 0.7260 | 0.0001 | 0.00059 | 0.00235 | Act. |
| Adherens j..4520 | 0.0001 | 0.0852 | 0.0001 | 0.00090 | 0.00452 | Act. |
| Axon guida..4360 | 0.0002 | 0.2324 | 0.0006 | 0.00487 | 0.02922 | Act. |
| MAPK signa..4010 | 0.0001 | 0.7112 | 0.0007 | 0.00504 | 0.03527 | Inh. |
| Tight junc..4530 | 0.0007 | 0.5156 | 0.0032 | 0.02073 | 0.16585 | Act. |

$$P_{NDE} = P(X \geq N_{DE} | H_0)$$

P_{PERT} : probability to observe a larger perturbation than observed

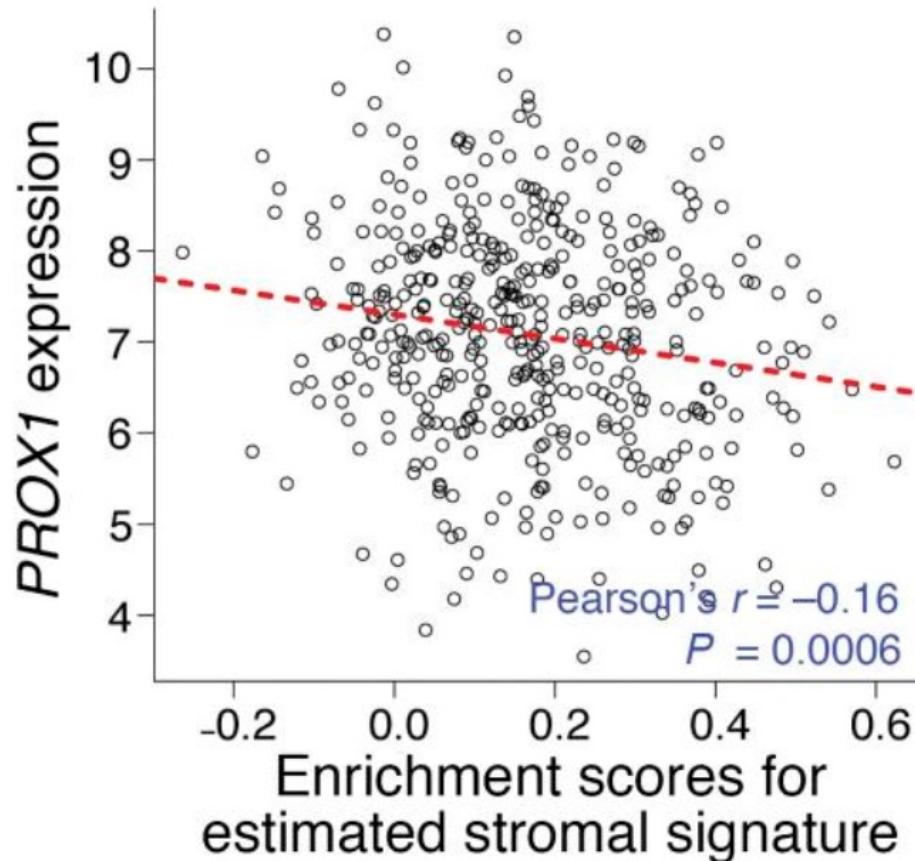
P_G : combination of P_{NDE} and P_{PERT}

P_{FDR} : adjusted FDR p-value

P_{FWER} : adjusted FDR p-value (more conservative)

<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/SPIA.html>

Single-sample gene set variation analysis



GSVA:

<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/GSVA.html>

<https://www.jci.org/articles/view/129558>

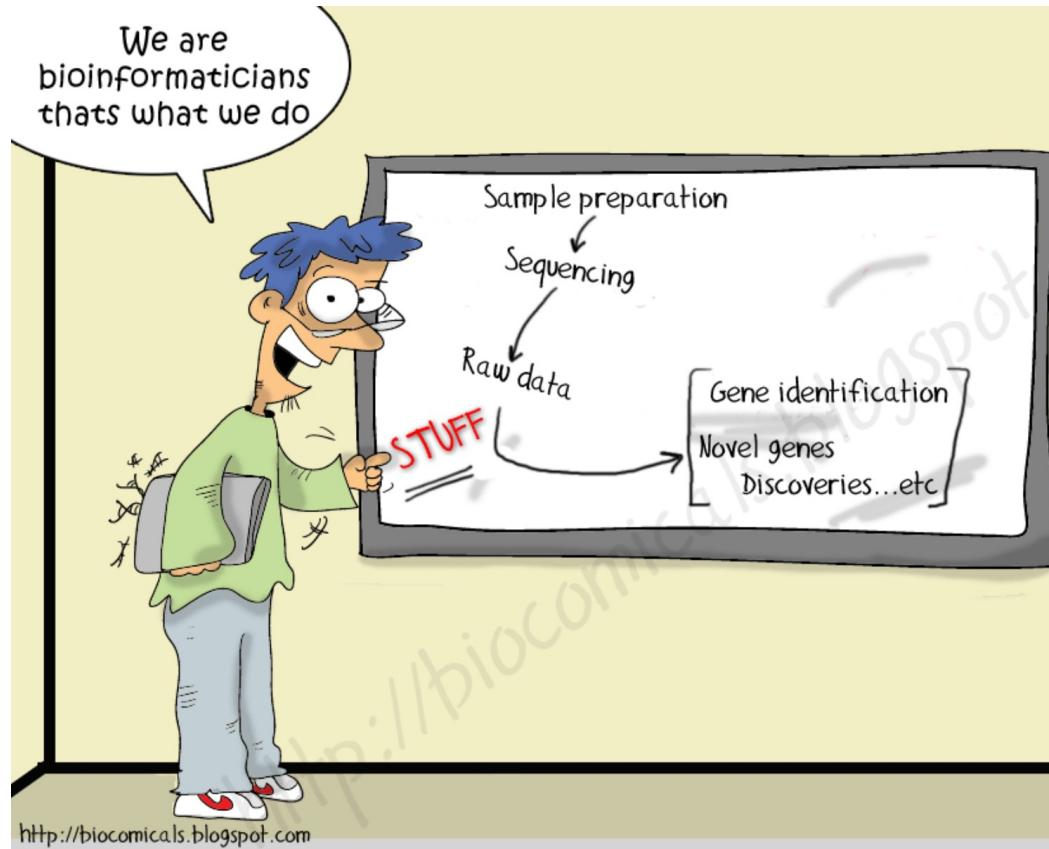
Credits: 0.25 ECTS

- Please provide answers and R code for an additional exercise (eg 1 Word with answers and figures and 1 script file, or 1 file generated from Rmarkdown)

<https://sib-swiss.github.io/enrichment-analysis-training/exercises/#extra-exercise-for-ects-credits>

- Sign up for credit by adding your name to the google Doc file (email sent by course organizer)
- Send answers to tania.wyss@sib.swiss within 1 week

Thank you for your attention!



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