Personalized multi-omics diagnostics of colon cancer

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Abstract—ABSTRAAAAAAAAACT

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I. INTRODUCTION

Worldwide, colorectal cancer is the third most diagnosed cancer. An estimated 1,880,725 people were diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 2020. Two important features of CRC are high inter-patient variability and high spatial heterogeneity, which may influence the molecular characterization of tumor tissue. Hence, molecular subtypeing of CRC is a yet not solved problem, the scientific resolution of which is essential for opportunities of precision medicine for colorectal cancer patients. Subtypeing of CRC has been done using various methods previously.

II. DATA AND PREPROCESSING

A. Dataset

The dataset was obtained from the public database cBio-Portal, from the study MSK-MET 2O21 (Memorial Sloan Kettering - Metastatic Events and Tropisms 2021) study [cite 1]. It contains tumor genomic and clinical outcome data from a pan-cancer cohort of over 25,000 patients with metastatic diseases, including information about 50 different primary and metastatic cancer types. This paper is going to focus on colon and rectal cancer, which includes 3093 patients from the dataset, from which 2073 have primary and 1020 metastatic cancers (Fig 1). For model building primary cancer data is used.

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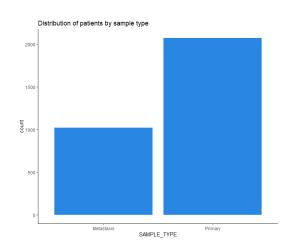


Fig. 1. Primary vs Metastatic cancer patients count

Exploratory data analysis showed that our data is very sparse (Fig2,3). This means there are many patients with very few number of mutations, which is typical for cancer mutation profiles.

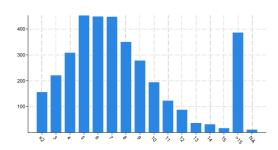


Fig. 2. Distribution of patients based on mutation count. Most patients have 5-8 mutations

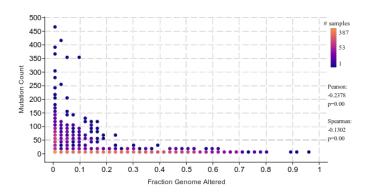


Fig. 3. Fraction of Genome Altered is the percentage of genome that has been affected by copy number gains or losses. Total Mutations refers to the number of mutations that are found in the tumor genomes

After obtaining relevant genomic (including mutations and copy number variations (cnv) and clinical data, preprocessing of the data was performed to

- remove non relevant for the task types of mutations, such as RNA, silent, splice site mutations
- remove cnv's that cause loss of heterozygosity
- map gene names to universal HGNC nomenclature
- transform dataframes to one-hot-encoding for each patient-gene pair

As the model was going to perform clustering, then classification on a single dataframe, we needed to combine the mutational and cnv data with some biological logic behind. Hence, the data were combined by counting cnv data as mutations in case

- · cnv is a deletion in a tumor supressor gene
- cnv is an amplification of an oncogene

EDA of the patient clinical information showed general patterns of our patient sample. In terms of gender, our dataset is balanced (Fig.4), white race group is overrepresented (Fig.5), age is normally distributed within the range ¡30 - 90 y.o. (Fig.6).

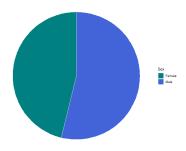


Fig. 4. Distribution of patients by sex

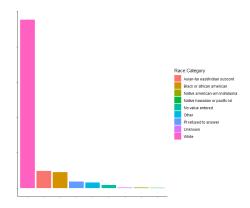


Fig. 5. Distribution of patients by race

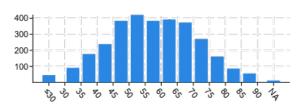


Fig. 6. Age of patients at the time of genetic sequencing of tumors (data collection

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