

# Preface

Here, you can learn how to use **tidyMass** to do the data processing and analysis for the LC-MS metabolomics data. It contains several parts.

# If you are new to R or the tidyverse

We recommend that you start by learning some basics about R and the [tidyverse](#) first, then return here when you feel ready. Here are some resources to start learning:

- [Finding Your Way To R](#), from the RStudio Education team.
- [Learn the tidyverse](#), from the tidyverse team.

## Part 1. Install `tidymass`

You can learn how to install `tidymass`, and update it. You can also find here how to download the docker version of `tidymass` and build your own docker image based on `tidymass`.

## **Part 2. massdatabase package and mass\_dataset class**

You can find here how to download the demo data and create `mass_dataset` class by yourself.  
And how to use `mass_dataset` class organize your omics data and process it.

## Part 3. Metabolite annotation

All the metabolite annotation can be found [here](#). You can also learn here how to construct the databases for `metid` using the `massdatabase` package.

## Part 4. Whole workflow using `tidymass`

Here, you can learn how to use `tidymass` for data processing and analysis, from data converting to biological function mining.

The code, data and docker image of case study in [our manuscript](#) are provided here.