

curatedOvarianData: Clinically Annotated Data for the Ovarian Cancer Transcriptome

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1 curatedOvarianData: Clinically Annotated Data for the Ovarian Cancer Transcriptome

This package represents a manually curated data collection for gene expression meta-analysis of patients with ovarian cancer. This resource provides uniformly prepared microarray data with curated and documented clinical metadata. It allows a computational user to efficiently

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identify studies and patient subgroups of interest for analysis and to run such analyses immediately without the challenges posed by harmonizing heterogeneous microarray technologies, study designs, expression data processing methods, and clinical data formats.

The *curatedOvarianData* package is published in the journal DATABASE [1]. Note the existence also of *curatedCRCCData* and *curatedBladderData*.

Please see <http://bcb.dfc.harvard.edu/ovariancancer> for alternative versions of this package, differing in how redundant probe sets are dealt with.

In this vignette, we give a short tour of the package and will show how to use it efficiently.

2 Load TCGA data

Loading a single dataset is very easy. First we load the package:

```
> library(curatedOvarianData)
```

To get a listing of all the datasets, use the `data` function:

```
> data(package="curatedOvarianData")
```

Now to load the TCGA data, we use the `data` function again:

```
> data(TCGA_eset)
> TCGA_eset

ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 13104 features, 578 samples
  element names: exprs
protocolData: none
phenoData
  sampleNames: TCGA.20.0987 TCGA.23.1031 ...
                TCGA.13.1819 (578 total)
  varLabels: alt_sample_name unique_patient_ID ...
                uncurated_author_metadata (31 total)
  varMetadata: labelDescription
featureData
  featureNames: A1CF A2M ... ZZZ3 (13104 total)
  fvarLabels: probeset gene
  fvarMetadata: labelDescription
experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
pubMedIds: 21720365
Annotation: hthgu133a
```

The datasets are provided as *Bioconductor ExpressionSet* objects and we refer to the Bioconductor documentation for users unfamiliar with this data structure.

3 Load datasets based on rules

For a meta-analysis, we typically want to filter datasets and patients to get a population of patients we are interested in. We provide a short but powerful R script that does the filtering and provides the data as a list of *ExpressionSet* objects. One can use this script within R by

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first sourcing a config file which specifies the filters, like the minimum numbers of patients in each dataset. It is also possible to filter samples by annotation, for example to remove early stage and normal samples.

```
> source(system.file("extdata",
+ "patientselection.config", package="curatedOvarianData"))
> ls()

[1] "TCGA_eset"
[2] "add.surv.y"
[3] "duplicates"
[4] "impute.missing"
[5] "keep.common.only"
[6] "meta.required"
[7] "min.number.of.events"
[8] "min.number.of.genes"
[9] "min.sample.size"
[10] "probes.not.mapped.uniquely"
[11] "quantile.cutoff"
[12] "remove.retracted"
[13] "remove.samples"
[14] "remove.subsets"
[15] "rescale"
[16] "rule.1"
[17] "strict.checking"
[18] "tcga.lowcor.outliers"
```

See what the values of these variables we have loaded are. The variable names are fairly descriptive, but note that "rule.1" is a character vector of length 2, where the first entry is the name of a clinical data variable, and the second entry is a Regular Expression providing a requirement for that variable. Any number of rules can be added, with increasing identifiers, e.g. "rule.2", "rule.3", etc.

Here strict.checking is FALSE, meaning that samples not annotated for the variables in these rules are allowed to pass the filter. If strict.checking == TRUE, samples missing this annotation will be removed.

3.1 Cleaning of duplicate samples

The patientselection.config file loaded above contains several objects indicating which samples were removed for QC and duplicate cleaning by Waldron *et al.* [2]:

- tcga.lowcor.outliers: two profiles identified in the TCGA dataset with anomalously low correlation to other ovc profiles
- duplicates: samples blacklisted because they contain duplicates. In the case of duplicates, generally better-annotated samples, and samples from more recent studies, were kept.
- remove.samples: the above to vectors of samples concatenated

```
> #remove.samples and duplicates are too voluminous:
> sapply(ls(), function(x) if(!x %in% c("remove.samples", "duplicates")) print(get(x)))
```

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```
ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 13104 features, 578 samples
  element names: exprs
protocolData: none
phenoData
  sampleNames: TCGA.20.0987 TCGA.23.1031 ...
               TCGA.13.1819 (578 total)
  varLabels: alt_sample_name unique_patient_ID ...
             uncurated_author_metadata (31 total)
  varMetadata: labelDescription
featureData
  featureNames: A1CF A2M ... ZZZ3 (13104 total)
  fvarLabels: probeset gene
  fvarMetadata: labelDescription
experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
  pubMedIds: 21720365
Annotation: hthgu133a
function (X)
Surv(X$days_to_death, X$vital_status == "deceased")
[1] FALSE
[1] FALSE
[1] "days_to_death" "vital_status"
[1] 15
[1] 1000
[1] 40
[1] "drop"
[1] 0
[1] FALSE
[1] TRUE
[1] TRUE
[1] "sample_type" "^tumor$"
[1] FALSE
[1] "TCGA_eset:TCGA.24.1927" "TCGA_eset:TCGA.31.1955"
$TCGA_eset
ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 13104 features, 578 samples
  element names: exprs
protocolData: none
phenoData
  sampleNames: TCGA.20.0987 TCGA.23.1031 ...
               TCGA.13.1819 (578 total)
  varLabels: alt_sample_name unique_patient_ID ...
             uncurated_author_metadata (31 total)
  varMetadata: labelDescription
featureData
  featureNames: A1CF A2M ... ZZZ3 (13104 total)
  fvarLabels: probeset gene
  fvarMetadata: labelDescription
experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
  pubMedIds: 21720365
Annotation: hthgu133a
```

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```
$add.surv.y
function (X)
Surv(X$days_to_death, X$vital_status == "deceased")

$duplicates
NULL

$impute.missing
[1] FALSE

$keep.common.only
[1] FALSE

$meta.required
[1] "days_to_death" "vital_status"

$min.number.of.events
[1] 15

$min.number.of.genes
[1] 1000

$min.sample.size
[1] 40

$probes.not.mapped.uniquely
[1] "drop"

$quantile.cutoff
[1] 0

$remove.retracted
[1] FALSE

$remove.samples
NULL

$remove.subsets
[1] TRUE

$rescale
[1] TRUE

$rule.1
[1] "sample_type" "^tumor$"

$strict.checking
[1] FALSE

$tcga.lowcor.outliers
```

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```
[1] "TCGA_eset:TCGA.24.1927" "TCGA_eset:TCGA.31.1955"
```

Now that we have defined the sample filter, we create a list of *ExpressionSet* objects by sourcing the 'createEsetList.R' file:

```
> source(system.file("extdata", "createEsetList.R", package =
+ "curatedOvarianData"))

2025-04-17 11:13:06.583275 INFO::Inside script createEsetList.R - inputArgs =
2025-04-17 11:13:06.630043 INFO::Loading curatedOvarianData 1.46.0
2025-04-17 11:13:47.212561 INFO::Clean up the esets.
2025-04-17 11:13:47.965371 INFO::including E.MTAB.386_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:48.12707 INFO::excluding GSE12418_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:48.348219 INFO::excluding GSE12470_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:49.138317 INFO::including GSE13876_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:49.342132 INFO::including GSE14764_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:49.665906 INFO::including GSE17260_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:49.875011 INFO::including GSE18520_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:50.407651 INFO::excluding GSE19829.GPL570_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:50.483749 INFO::including GSE19829.GPL8300_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:50.878808 INFO::excluding GSE20565_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:51.351044 INFO::excluding GSE2109_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:51.612791 INFO::including GSE26193_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:51.968565 INFO::including GSE26712_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:51.98707 INFO::excluding GSE30009_eset (min.number.of.genes)
2025-04-17 11:13:52.189726 INFO::including GSE30161_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:52.797097 INFO::including GSE32062.GPL6480_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:52.94912 INFO::excluding GSE32063_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:53.15265 INFO::excluding GSE44104_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:53.916173 INFO::including GSE49997_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:54.170161 INFO::including GSE51088_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:54.355235 INFO::excluding GSE6008_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:54.422133 INFO::excluding GSE6822_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:54.503807 INFO::excluding GSE8842_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:55.120573 INFO::including GSE9891_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:55.252498 INFO::excluding PMID15897565_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:55.488222 INFO::including PMID17290060_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:55.599535 INFO::excluding PMID19318476_eset (min.number.of.events or min.sample.size)
2025-04-17 11:13:56.651787 INFO::including TCGA.RNASeqV2_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:56.725864 INFO::excluding TCGA.mirna.8x15kv2_eset (min.number.of.genes)
2025-04-17 11:13:57.680753 INFO::including TCGA_eset
2025-04-17 11:13:58.20646 INFO::Ids with missing data: GSE51088_eset, TCGA.RNASeqV2_eset
```

It is also possible to run the script from the command line and then load the R data file within R:

```
R --vanilla "--args patientselection.config ovarian.eset.rda tmp.log" < createEsetList.R
```

Now we have 16 datasets with samples that passed our filter in a list of *ExpressionSet* objects called `esets`:

```
> names(esets)
```

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```
[1] "E.MTAB.386_eset"      "GSE13876_eset"  
[3] "GSE14764_eset"      "GSE17260_eset"  
[5] "GSE18520_eset"      "GSE19829.GPL8300_eset"  
[7] "GSE26193_eset"      "GSE26712_eset"  
[9] "GSE30161_eset"      "GSE32062.GPL6480_eset"  
[11] "GSE49997_eset"      "GSE51088_eset"  
[13] "GSE9891_eset"       "PMID17290060_eset"  
[15] "TCGA.RNASeqV2_eset" "TCGA_eset"
```

4 Association of CXCL12 expression with overall survival

Next we use the list of 16 datasets from the previous example and test if the expression of the CXCL12 gene is associated with overall survival. CXCL12/CXCR4 is a chemokine/chemokine receptor axis that has previously been shown to be directly involved in cancer pathogenesis.

We first define a function that will generate a forest plot for a given gene. It needs the overall survival information as *Surv* objects, which the 'createEsetList.R' function already added in the *phenoData* slots of the *ExpressionSet* objects, accessible at the *y* label. The resulting forest plot is shown for the CXCL12 gene in Figure 1.

```
> esets[[1]]$y  
 [1] 840.9+ 399.9+ 524.1+ 1476.0 144.0 516.9  
 [7] 405.0 87.0 45.9+ 483.9+ 917.1 1013.1+  
[13] 69.9 486.0 369.9 2585.1+ 738.9 362.1  
[19] 2031.9+ 477.9 1091.1+ 1062.0+ 720.9 1200.9+  
[25] 977.1 537.9 638.1 587.1 1509.0 1619.1+  
[31] 1043.1 198.9 1520.1 696.9 1140.9 1862.1+  
[37] 1751.1+ 1845.0+ 1197.0 1401.0 399.0 992.1  
[43] 927.9+ 1509.0 1914.0+ 591.9 426.0 1374.9+  
[49] 546.9 809.1+ 480.9+ 486.0+ 642.9+ 540.9+  
[55] 962.1 2025.0 473.1 1140.0 512.1 1002.9+  
[61] 1731.9+ 690.0 930.0 1026.9 1193.1+ 720.9  
[67] 369.0 1326.9+ 501.9+ 1677.0+ 1773.9+ 251.1  
[73] 1338.9+ 35.1 1467.9+ 165.9 981.9 1280.1  
[79] 1800.0+ 399.9 422.1 861.9 2010.0+ 660.0  
[85] 2138.1+ 516.0+ 1001.1+ 693.9 825.0+ 815.1+  
[91] 657.0+ 1013.1+ 426.0 656.1 1356.0 1610.1+  
[97] 1068.9+ 1221.9+ 2388.0+ 447.9+ 602.1+ 1875.0+  
[103] 920.1+ 959.1 708.0 546.0 1254.9+ 611.1+  
[109] 1317.9 1899.0 1886.1 642.0 1763.1 1857.0+  
[115] 540.0 852.9 498.0+ 3.9+ 836.1 1452.0  
[121] 2721.0 450.9 1398.9 1481.1 2724.0+ 2061.9  
[127] 651.9 2349.0+  
  
> forestplot <- function(esets, y="y", probeset, formula=y~probeset,  
+ mlab="Overall", rma.method="FE", at=NULL, xlab="Hazard Ratio",...) {  
+   require(metafor)  
+   esets <- esets[sapply(esets, function(x) probeset %in% featureNames(x))]
```

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```
+   coefs <- sapply(1:length(esets), function(i) {
+     tmp <- as(phenoData(esets[[i]]), "data.frame")
+     tmp$y <- esets[[i]][[y]]
+     tmp$probeset <- exprs(esets[[i]])[probeset,]
+
+     summary(coxph(formula,data=tmp))$coefficients[1,c(1,3)]
+   })
+
+   res.rma <- metafor::rma(yi = coefs[1,], sei = coefs[2,],
+     method=rma.method)
+
+   if (is.null(at)) at <- log(c(0.25,1,4,20))
+   forest.rma(res.rma, xlab=xlab, slab=gsub("_eset$", "", names(esets)),
+     atranf=exp, at=at, mlab=mlab,...)
+   return(res.rma)
+ }
```

We now test whether CXCL12 is an independent predictor of survival in a multivariate model together with success of debulking surgery, defined as residual tumor smaller than 1 cm, and Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) stage. We first filter the datasets without debulking and stage information:

```
> idx.tumorstage <- sapply(esets, function(X)
+   sum(!is.na(X$tumorstage) > 0 & length(unique(X$tumorstage)) > 1)
+ > idx.debulking <- sapply(esets, function(X)
+   sum(X$debulking=="suboptimal",na.rm=TRUE)) > 0
```

In Figure 2, we see that CXCL12 stays significant after adjusting for debulking status and FIGO stage. We repeated this analysis for the CXCR4 receptor and found no significant association with overall survival (Figure 3).

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```
> res <- forestplot(esets=esets,probeset="CXCL12",at=log(c(0.5,1,2,4)))
```

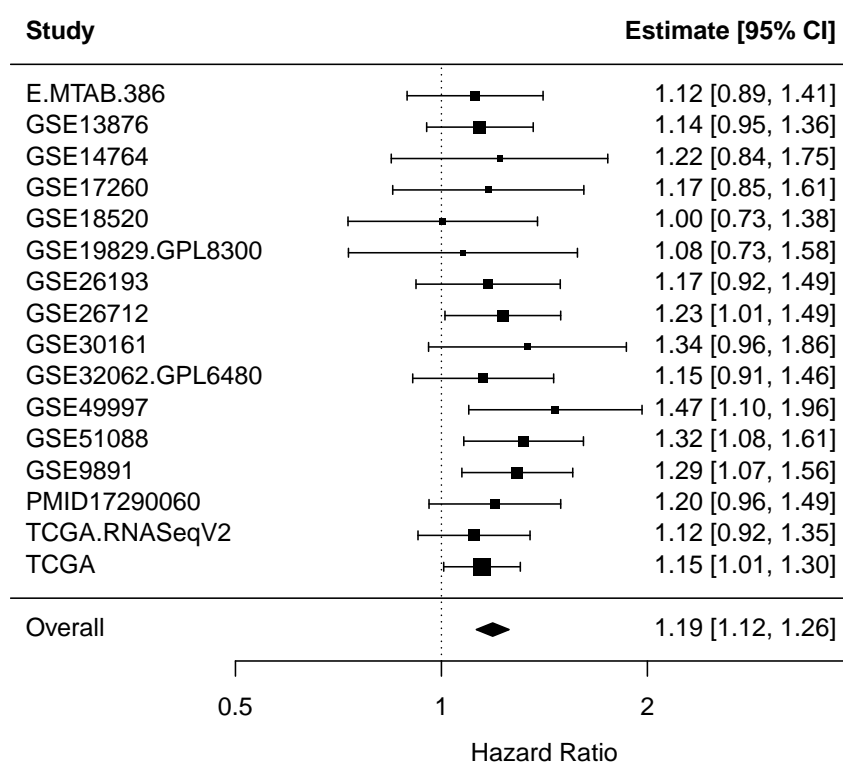


Figure 1: The database confirms CXCL12 as prognostic of overall survival in patients with ovarian cancer. Forest plot of the expression of the chemokine CXCL12 as a univariate predictor of overall survival, using all 16 datasets with applicable expression and survival information. A hazard ratio significantly larger than 1 indicates that patients with high CXCL12 levels had poor outcome. The p-value for the overall HR, found in `res$pval`, is $9e-10$. This plot is Figure 3 of the `curatedOvarianData` manuscript.

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```
> res <- forestplot(esets=esets[idx.debulking & idx.tumorstage],
+   probeset="CXCL12", formula=y~probeset+debulking+tumorstage,
+   at=log(c(0.5,1,2,4)))
```

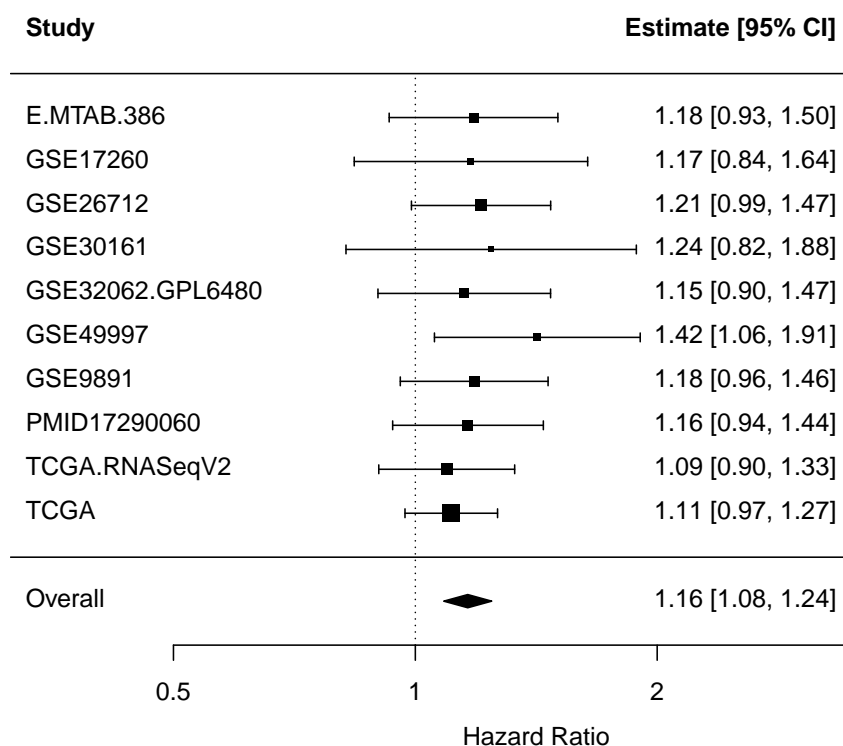


Figure 2: Validation of CXCL12 as an independent predictor of survival. This figure shows a forest plot as in Figure 1, but the CXCL12 expression levels were adjusted for debulking status (optimal versus suboptimal) and tumor stage. The p-value for the overall HR, found in `res$pval`, is 1.8e-05.

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```
> res <- forestplot(esets=esets,probeset="CXCR4",at=log(c(0.5,1,2,4)))
```

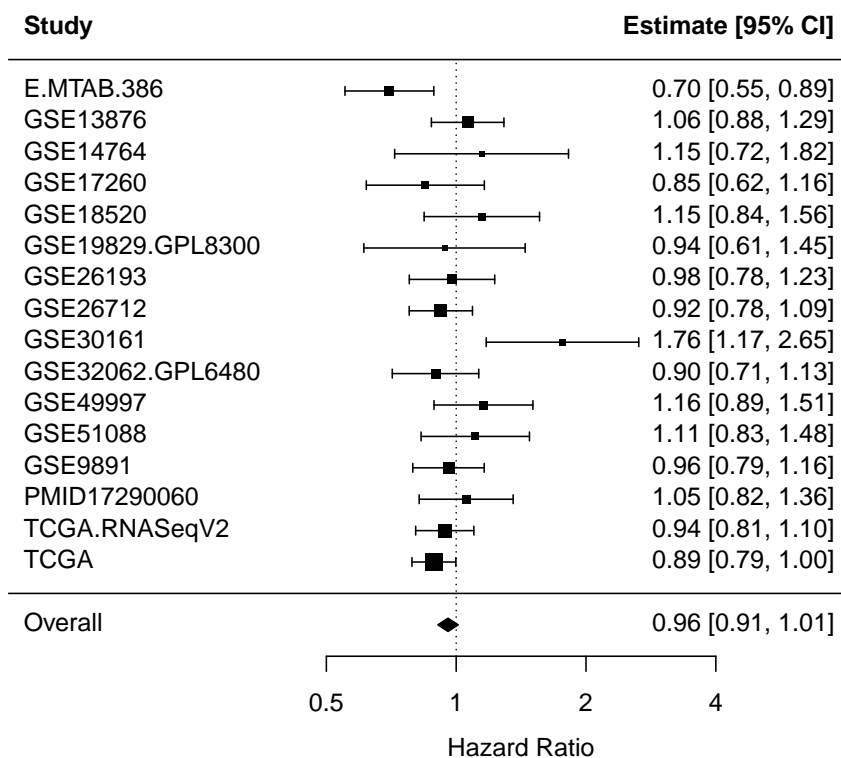


Figure 3: Up-regulation of CXCR4 is not associated with overall survival. This figure shows again a forest plot as in Figure 1, but here the association of mRNA expression levels of the CXCR4 receptor and overall survival is shown. The p-value for the overall HR, found in `res$pval`, is 0.12.

5 Batch correction with ComBat

If datasets are merged, it is typically recommended to remove a very likely batch effect. We will use the ComBat [3] method, implemented for example in the SVA Bioconductor package [4]. To combine two ExpressionSet objects, we can use the `combine()` function. This function will fail when the two ExpressionSets have conflicting annotation slots, for example `annotation` when the platforms differ. We write a simple `combine2` function which only considers the `exprs` and `phenoData` slots:

```
> combine2 <- function(X1, X2) {
+   fids <- intersect(featureNames(X1), featureNames(X2))
+   X1 <- X1[fids,]
+   X2 <- X2[fids,]
+   ExpressionSet(cbind(exprs(X1),exprs(X2)),
+     AnnotatedDataFrame(rbind(as(phenoData(X1),"data.frame"),
+                               as(phenoData(X2),"data.frame"))))
+ }
+ }
```

In Figure 4, we combined two datasets from different platforms, resulting in a huge batch effect. Now we apply ComBat and adjust for the batch and show the boxplot after batch correction in Figure 5:

```
> mod <- model.matrix(~as.factor(tumorstage), data=X)
> batch <- as.factor(grepl("DFCI", sampleNames(X)))
> combat_edata <- ComBat(dat=exprs(X), batch=batch, mod=mod)
```

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```
> data(E.MTAB.386_eset)
> data(GSE30161_eset)
> X <- combine2(E.MTAB.386_eset, GSE30161_eset)
> boxplot(exprs(X))
```

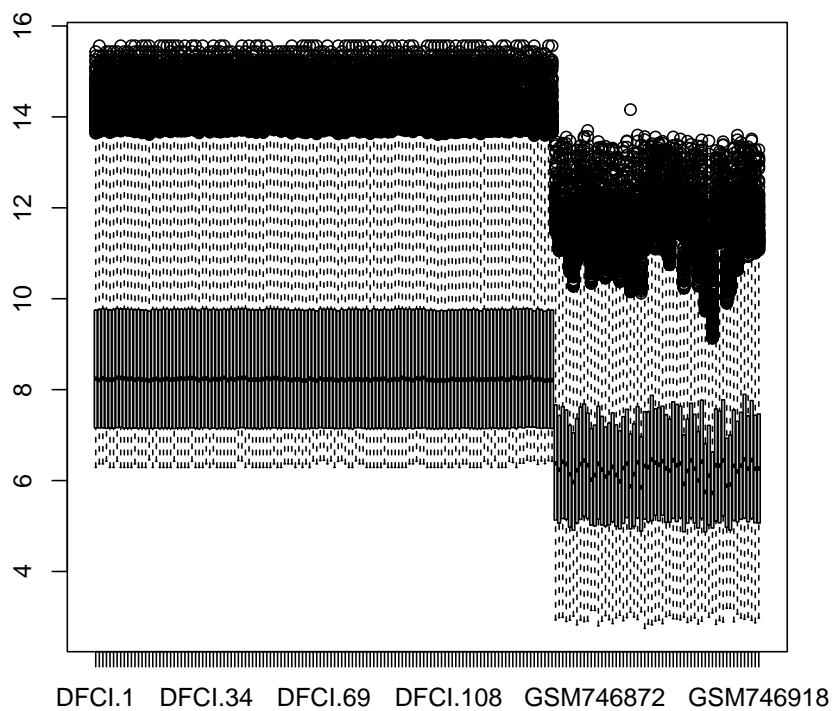


Figure 4: Boxplot showing the expression range for all samples of two merged datasets arrayed on different platforms. This illustrates a huge batch effect.

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```
> boxplot(combat_edata)
```

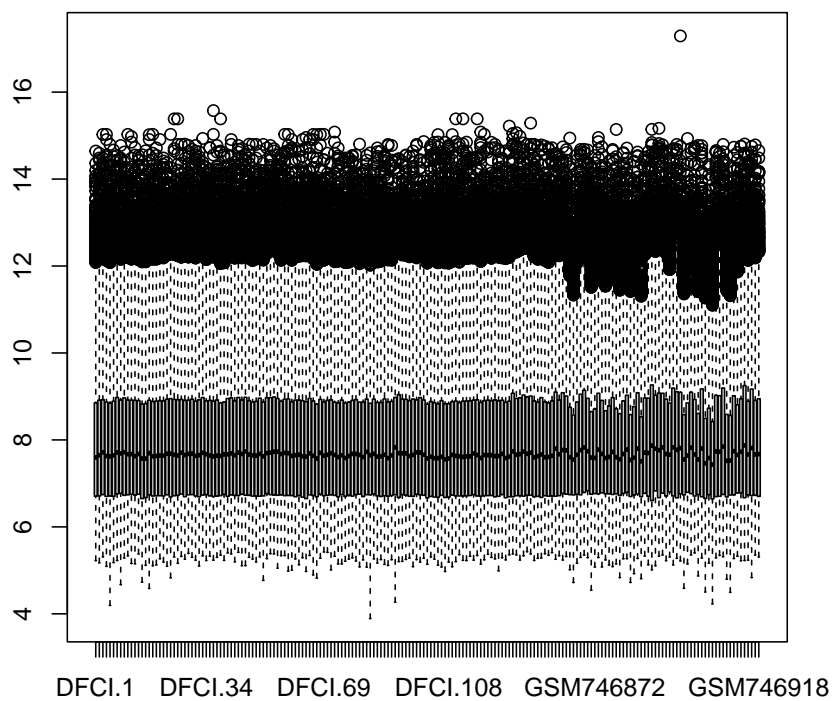


Figure 5: Boxplot showing the expression range for all samples of two merged datasets arrayed on different platforms after batch correction with ComBat.

6 Non-specific probe sets

In the standard version of `curatedOvarianData` (the version available on Bioconductor), we collapse manufacturer probesets to official HGNC symbols using the Biomart database. Some probesets are mapped to multiple HGNC symbols in this database. For these probesets, we provide all the symbols. For example `220159_at` maps to `ABCA11P` and `ZNF721` and we provide `ABCA11P///ZNF721` as probeset name. If you have an array of gene symbols for which you want to access the expression data, "ABCA11P" would not be found in `curatedOvarianData` in this example.

The script `createEsetList.R` provides three methods to deal with non-specific probe sets by setting the variable `probes.not.mapped.uniquely` to:

- "keep": leave as-is, these have "///" in gene names,
- "drop": drop any non-uniquely mapped features, or
- "split": split non-uniquely mapped features to one per row. If this creates duplicate rows for a gene, those rows are averaged.

This feature uses the following function to create a new `ExpressionSet`, in which both `ZNF721` and `ABCA11P` are features with identical expression data:

```
> expandProbesets <- function (eset, sep = "///")
+ {
+   x <- lapply(featureNames(eset), function(x) strsplit(x, sep)[[1]])
+   eset <- eset[order(sapply(x, length)), ]
+   x <- lapply(featureNames(eset), function(x) strsplit(x, sep)[[1]])
+   idx <- unlist(sapply(1:length(x), function(i) rep(i, length(x[[i]]))))
+   xx <- !duplicated(unlist(x))
+   idx <- idx[xx]
+   x <- unlist(x)[xx]
+   eset <- eset[idx, ]
+   featureNames(eset) <- x
+   eset
+ }
> X <- TCGA_eset[head(grep("///", featureNames(TCGA_eset))),]
> exprs(X)[,1:3]
```

	TCGA.20.0987
ABCB4///ABCB1	2.993923
ABCB6///ATG9A	4.257024
ABCC6P2///ABCC6P1///ABCC6	3.110547
ABHD17AP3///ABHD17AP2///ABHD17AP1///ABHD17AP6///ABHD17A	6.886997
ACOT1///ACOT2	4.702057
ACSM2A///ACSM2B	2.980667
	TCGA.23.1031
ABCB4///ABCB1	3.600534
ABCB6///ATG9A	4.793526
ABCC6P2///ABCC6P1///ABCC6	4.909549
ABHD17AP3///ABHD17AP2///ABHD17AP1///ABHD17AP6///ABHD17A	6.699198
ACOT1///ACOT2	3.534889
ACSM2A///ACSM2B	3.085545
	TCGA.24.0979

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```
ABCB4///ABCB1 3.539278
ABCB6///ATG9A 5.476369
ABCC6P2///ABCC6P1///ABCC6 4.993433
ABHD17AP3///ABHD17AP2///ABHD17AP1///ABHD17AP6///ABHD17A 6.529303
ACOT1///ACOT2 3.604559
ACSM2A///ACSM2B 2.890781
```

```
> exprs(expandProbesets(X))[,1:3]
```

```
          TCGA.20.0987 TCGA.23.1031 TCGA.24.0979
ABCB4      2.993923    3.600534    3.539278
ABCB1      2.993923    3.600534    3.539278
ABCB6      4.257024    4.793526    5.476369
ATG9A      4.257024    4.793526    5.476369
ACOT1      4.702057    3.534889    3.604559
ACOT2      4.702057    3.534889    3.604559
ACSM2A     2.980667    3.085545    2.890781
ACSM2B     2.980667    3.085545    2.890781
ABCC6P2    3.110547    4.909549    4.993433
ABCC6P1    3.110547    4.909549    4.993433
ABCC6      3.110547    4.909549    4.993433
ABHD17AP3  6.886997    6.699198    6.529303
ABHD17AP2  6.886997    6.699198    6.529303
ABHD17AP1  6.886997    6.699198    6.529303
ABHD17AP6  6.886997    6.699198    6.529303
ABHD17A    6.886997    6.699198    6.529303
```

7 FULLVcuratedOvarianData

In `curatedOvarianData`, probesets mapping to the same gene symbol are merge by selecting the probeset with maximum mean across all studies of a given platform. You can see which representative probeset was chosen by looking at the `featureData` of the `ExpressionSet`, e.g.:

```
> head(pData(featureData(GSE18520_eset)))
```

```
      probeset      gene
A1BG      229819_at    A1BG
A1BG-AS1  232462_s_at A1BG-AS1
A1CF      220951_s_at  A1CF
A2M       217757_at    A2M
A2M-AS1   1564139_at  A2M-AS1
A2ML1     1553505_at  A2ML1
```

The full, unmerged `ExpressionSets` are available through the `FULLVcuratedOvarianData` package at <http://bcf.dfc.harvard.edu/ovariancancer/>. Probeset to gene maps are again provided in the `featureData` of those `ExpressionSets`. Where official *Bioconductor* annotation packages are available for the array, these are stored in the `ExpressionSet` annotation slots, e.g.:

```
> annotation(GSE18520_eset)
```

```
[1] "hgu133plus2"
```

so that standard filtering methods such as `nsFilter` will work by default.

8 Available Clinical Characteristics

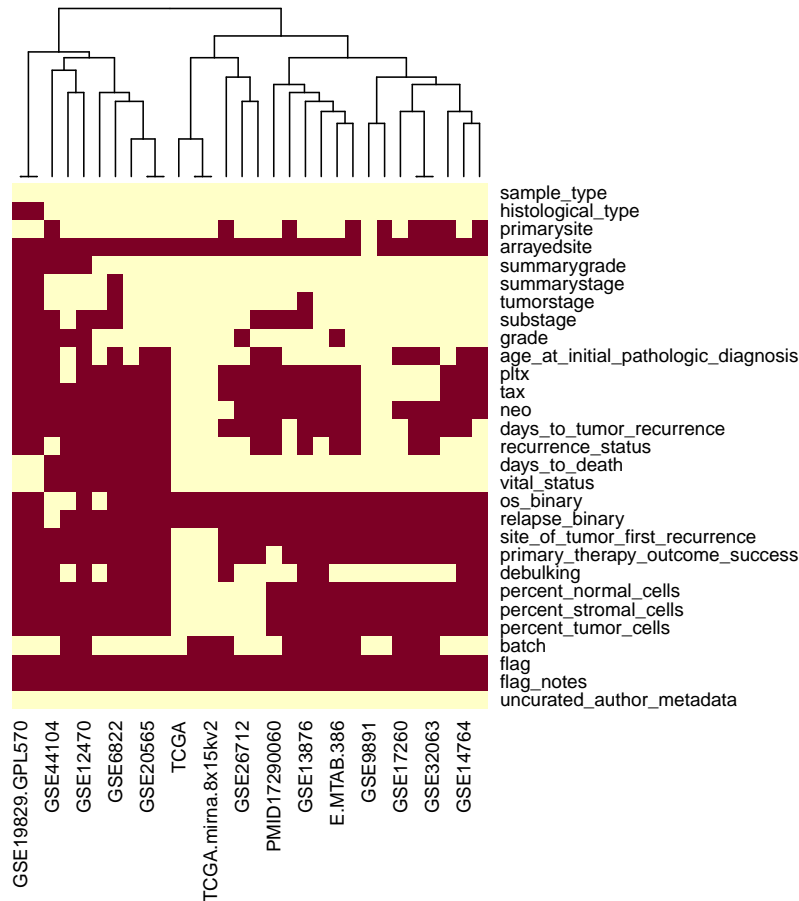


Figure 6: Available clinical annotation. This heatmap visualizes for each curated clinical characteristic (rows) the availability in each dataset (columns). Red indicates that the corresponding characteristic is available for at least one sample in the dataset. This plot is Figure 2 of the curatedOvarianData manuscript.

9 Summarizing the List of ExpressionSets

This example provides a table summarizing the datasets being used, and is useful when publishing analyses based on curatedOvarianData. First, define some useful functions for this purpose:

```
> source(system.file("extdata", "summarizeEsets.R", package =
+ "curatedOvarianData"))
```

Now create the table, used for Table 1 of the curatedOvarianData manuscript:

Optionally write this table to file, for example (replace myfile <- tempfile() with something like myfile <- "nicetable.csv")

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```
> (myfile <- tempfile())  
[1] "/tmp/Rtmpmmd0p6/file15758b7aa9262c"  
> write.table(summary.table, file=myfile, row.names=FALSE, quote=TRUE, sep=",")
```

	PMID	N samples	stage	histology	Platform
E:MTAB.386	22348002	129	1/128/0	129/0/0/0/0/0/0	Illumina humanRef-8 v2.0
GSE12418	16996261	54	0/54/0	54/0/0/0/0/0/0	SWEGENE H_v2.1.1.1_27k
GSE12470	19486012	53	8/35/10	43/0/0/0/0/0/10	Agilent G4110B
GSE13876	19192944	157	0/157/0	157/0/0/0/0/0/0	Operon v3 two-color
GSE14764	19294737	80	9/71/0	68/2/6/0/2/0/2	Affymetrix HG-U133A
GSE17260	20300634	110	0/110/0	110/0/0/0/0/0/0	Agilent G4112A
GSE18520	19962670	63	0/53/10	53/0/0/0/0/0/10	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE19829.GPL570	20547991	28	0/0/28	0/0/0/0/0/0/28	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE19829.GPL8300	20547991	42	0/0/42	0/0/0/0/0/0/42	Affymetrix HG_U95Av2
GSE20565	20492709	140	27/67/46	71/6/6/7/6/0/44	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE2109	PMID unknown	204	37/87/80	85/9/28/11/59/0/12	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE26193	22101765	107	31/76/0	79/6/8/8/6/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE26712	18593951	195	0/185/10	185/0/0/0/0/0/10	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE30009	22492981	103	0/103/0	102/1/0/0/0/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133A
GSE30161	22348014	58	0/58/0	47/5/1/1/1/0/3	TaqMan qRT-PCR
GSE32062.GPL6480	22241791	260	0/260/0	260/0/0/0/0/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE32063	22241791	40	0/40/0	40/0/0/0/0/0/0	Agilent G4112F
GSE44104	23934190	60	25/35/0	28/12/11/9/0/0/0	Agilent G4112F
GSE49997	22497737	204	9/185/10	171/0/0/0/23/0/10	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
GSE51088	24368280	172	31/120/21	122/3/7/9/11/0/20	ABI Human Genome
GSE6008	19440550	103	42/53/8	41/8/37/13/0/0/4	Agilent G4110B
GSE6822	PMID unknown	66	0/0/66	41/11/7/1/0/0/6	Affymetrix HG-U133A
GSE8842	19047114	83	83/0/0	31/16/17/17/1/0/1	Affymetrix Hu6800
GSE9891	18698038	285	42/240/3	264/0/20/0/1/0/0	Agilent G4100A cDNA
PMID15897565	15897565	63	11/52/0	63/0/0/0/0/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133Plus2
PMID17290060	17290060	117	1/115/1	117/0/0/0/0/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133A
PMID19318476	19318476	42	2/39/1	42/0/0/0/0/0/0	Affymetrix HG-U133A
TCGA.RNASEqV2	21720365	261	18/242/1	261/0/0/0/0/0/0	Illumina HiSeq RNA sequencing
TCGA.mirna.8x15kv2	21720365	554	39/511/4	554/0/0/0/0/0/0	Agilent miRNA-8x15k2 G4470B
TCGA	21720365	578	43/520/15	568/0/0/0/0/0/10	Affymetrix HT_HG-U133A

Table 1: Datasets provided by curatedOvarianData. This is an abbreviated version of Table 1 of the manuscript; the full version is written by the write.table command above. Stage column is early/late/unknown, histology column is ser/clearcell/endo/mucinous/other/unknown.

10 For non-R users

If you are not doing your analysis in R, and just want to get some data you have identified from the curatedOvarianData manual, here is a simple way to do it. For one dataset:

```
> library(curatedOvarianData)
> data(GSE30161_eset)
> write.csv(exprs(GSE30161_eset), file="GSE30161_eset_exprs.csv")
> write.csv(pData(GSE30161_eset), file="GSE30161_eset_clindata.csv")
```

Or for several datasets:

```
> data.to.fetch <- c("GSE30161_eset", "E.MTAB.386_eset")
> for (onedata in data.to.fetch){
+   print(paste("Fetching", onedata))
+   data(list=onedata)
+   write.csv(exprs(get(onedata)), file=paste(onedata, "_exprs.csv", sep=""))
+   write.csv(pData(get(onedata)), file=paste(onedata, "_clindata.csv", sep=""))
+ }
```

11 Session Info

- R version 4.5.0 RC (2025-04-04 r88126), x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
- Locale: LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8, LC_NUMERIC=C, LC_TIME=en_GB, LC_COLLATE=C, LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8, LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8, LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8, LC_NAME=C, LC_ADDRESS=C, LC_TELEPHONE=C, LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8, LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
- Time zone: America/New_York
- TZcode source: system (glibc)
- Running under: Ubuntu 24.04.2 LTS
- Matrix products: default
- BLAS: /home/biocbuild/bbs-3.21-bioc/R/lib/libRblas.so
- LAPACK: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lapack/liblapack.so.3.12.0
- Base packages: base, datasets, grDevices, graphics, methods, stats, utils
- Other packages: Biobase 2.68.0, BiocGenerics 0.54.0, BiocParallel 1.42.0, Matrix 1.7-3, curatedOvarianData 1.46.0, genefilter 1.90.0, generics 0.1.3, logging 0.10-108, metadat 1.4-0, metafor 4.8-0, mgcv 1.9-3, nlme 3.1-168, numDeriv 2016.8-1.1, survival 3.8-3, sva 3.56.0, xtable 1.8-4
- Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): AnnotationDbi 1.70.0, BiocManager 1.30.25, BiocStyle 2.36.0, Biostrings 2.76.0, DBI 1.2.3, GenomInfoDb 1.44.0, GenomInfoDbData 1.2.14, IRanges 2.42.0, KEGGREST 1.48.0, MatrixGenerics 1.20.0, R6 2.6.1, RSQLite 2.3.9, S4Vectors 0.46.0, UCSC.utils 1.4.0, XML 3.99-0.18, XVector 0.48.0, annotate 1.86.0, bit 4.6.0, bit64 4.6.0-1, blob 1.2.4, cachem 1.1.0, cli 3.6.4, codetools 0.2-20, compiler 4.5.0, crayon 1.5.3, digest 0.6.37, edgeR 4.6.0, evaluate 1.0.3,

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fastmap 1.2.0, grid 4.5.0, htmltools 0.5.8.1, httr 1.4.7, jsonlite 2.0.0, knitr 1.50,
lattice 0.22-7, limma 3.64.0, locfit 1.5-9.12, mathjaxr 1.6-0, matrixStats 1.5.0,
memoise 2.0.1, parallel 4.5.0, png 0.1-8, rlang 1.1.6, rmarkdown 2.29, splines 4.5.0,
statmod 1.5.0, stats4 4.5.0, tools 4.5.0, vctrs 0.6.5, xfun 0.52, yaml 2.3.10

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