

# Package ‘GOexpress’

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**Description** The package contains methods to visualise the expression levels of genes from a microarray or RNA-seq experiment and offers a clustering analysis to identify GO terms enriched in genes with expression levels best clustering two or more predefined groups of samples. Annotations for the genes present in the expression dataset are obtained from Ensembl through the biomaRt package. The random forest framework is used to evaluate the ability of each gene to cluster samples according to the factor of interest. Finally, GO terms are scored by averaging the rank (alternatively, score) of their respective gene sets to cluster the samples. An ANOVA approach is also available as an alternative statistical framework.

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## Description

Combines local gene expression data with online Gene Ontology (GO) resources to visualise and rank ontologies enriched for genes best clustering predefined groups of samples based on gene expression levels. Using the biomaRt package, GOexpress semi-automatically retrieves gene ontology annotations from Ensembl for the species corresponding to the expression dataset prior to performing the analysis. A random forest analysis is performed to evaluate the ability of each gene to cluster samples according to a predefined grouping factor (one-way ANOVA available as an alternative). Each GO term is scored and ranked according to the average rank (alternatively, average power) of all associated genes to cluster the samples according to the factor. The ranked list of GO terms is returned, with tools allowing to visualise the statistics on a gene- and ontology-basis.

## Details

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This package requires only two input variables

1. An ExpressionSet containing assayData and phenoData. The former should be a gene-by-sample matrix providing gene expression values for each gene in each sample. The latter should be an AnnotatedDataFrame from the Biobase package providing phenotypic information and grouping factors with two or more levels.
2. The name of the grouping factor to investigate, which must be a valid column name in the phenoData.

Following analysis, visualisation methods include:

- Histogram and quantiles representations of the scores of GO terms
- Filtering of results on various criteria (e.g. number of genes annotated to GO term)
- Re-ordering of GO terms and gene result tables based on score or rank metric
- Table of statistics for genes annotated to a given GO term
- Hierarchical clustering of samples based on the expression level of genes annotated to a given GO term
- Heatmap of samples and genes based on the expression level of genes annotated to a given GO term
- Expression profile of a gene against one given factor (e.g. Time) while grouping samples on another given factor (e.g. Treatment)
- Univariate analysis of the expression level of a gene in the different groups of each experimental factor.
- Venn diagram of the counts of genes shared between a list of GO terms.

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### See Also

Main method for an example usage: [GO\\_analyse](#).

Packages [Biobase](#), [ggplot2](#), [randomForest](#), [RColorBrewer](#), [VennDiagram](#).

Methods [getBM](#), [heatmap.2](#), [bluered](#), [greenred](#), [grid.newpage](#), [grid.layout](#), [str\\_extract](#).

## Examples

```
# Sample input data available with package:
data(AlvMac)

# Sample output data available with package:
data(AlvMac_results)

# Supported species and microarrays:
data(microarray2dataset)
data(prefix2dataset)
```

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AlvMac

*Sample data from a RNAseq experiment.*

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## Description

An example ExpressionSet including expression data and phenotypic information about the samples.

The expression data is saved in the assayData slot of the ExpressionSet. It is a gene-by-sample matrix, containing a subset of data from an *in vitro* stimulation of bovine macrophages with different mycobacterial strains. Column names are sample names, and row names are Ensembl gene identifiers of the *Bos taurus* species. Each cell contains the log<sub>2</sub>-transformed normalised expression level of each gene in each sample.

The phenotypic information is saved in the phenoData slot of the ExpressionSet. Row names are sample names and columns contain descriptive information about each sample, including experimental factors(e.g. Treatment, Timepoint, Animal).

## Usage

```
data(AlvMac)
```

## Details

Gene expression was measured in poly-A purified strand-specific RNA libraries using the RNA-Sequencing Illumina(R) HiSeq(R) 2000 platform as paired-end 2 x 90 nucleotide reads. Raw reads from pooled RNA libraries were first deconvoluted according to sample-specific nucleotide barcodes. Read pairs containing adapter sequence in either read mate were discarded, and similarly read pairs of low overall quality in either mate were also discarded. Paired-end reads from each filtered individual library were aligned to the *Bos taurus* reference genome (*B. taurus* UMD3.1.71 genome release) using the STAR aligner software. For each library, raw counts for each gene based on sense strand data were obtained using the featureCounts software from the Subread package. The featureCounts parameters were set to unambiguously assign uniquely aligned paired-end reads in a stranded manner to the exons of genes within the *Bos taurus* reference genome annotation (*B. taurus* UMD3.1.71 genome annotation). The gene count outputs were further processed using the edgeR Bioconductor package.

The gene expression quantitation pipeline within the edgeR package was customised to: (1) filter out all bovine rRNA genes; (2) filter out genes displaying expression levels below the minimally-set

threshold of one count per million [CPM] in at least ten individual libraries (number of biological replicates); (3) calculate normalisation factors for each library using the trimmed mean of M-values method; (4) log<sub>2</sub>-transform CPM values based on the normalised library size.

To generate this test data subset, we extracted 100 genes from the original dataset of 12,121 genes. All 7 genes associated with the GO term "GO:0034142" (i.e. "toll-like receptor 4 signaling pathway") were kept, plus another random 93 random genes, making a total of 100 genes measured in 117 samples. Samples include all 10 biological replicates collected at four different time-points, see data(targets). The TLR4 pathway was found in the full dataset as the top-ranking biological pathway discriminating the different mycobacterial infections (unpublished observations).

## Value

assayData is a matrix of expression levels for 100 genes (rows) measured in 117 samples (columns).

- rownames are Ensembl gene identifiers of the *Bos taurus* species.
- colnames are samples identifiers.

phenoData is a data frame with 117 samples and 7 descriptive fields (e.g. experimental factors) in the columns listed below:

- rownames are unique identifiers. Here, sample names.
- File contains local filenames where the RNAseq counts were obtained from.
- Sample contains individual sample name.
- Animal contains the unique identifier of the animal corresponding to the biological replicate, stored as a factor.
- Treatment contains the infection status of the sample, stored as a factor (CN: Control, MB: *M. bovis*, TB: *M. tuberculosis*)
- Time contains the time of measurement in hours post-infection, stored as a factor.
- Group contains a combination of the Treatment and Time factors above, stored as a factor itself.
- Timepoint contains the time of measurement, stored as a numeric value. This field is useful to use on the X-axis of expression plots. See function expression\_plot().

## Source

Publication in review process.

## Examples

```
# Load the data
data(AlvMac)

# Structure of the data
str(AlvMac)

# Dimensions (rows, columns) of the data
dim(AlvMac)
```

```
# Subset of first 5 features and 5 samples
AlvMac[1:5, 1:5]

# Phenotypic information
pData(AlvMac)

# Phenotypic information about factor "Group"
pData(AlvMac)$Group

# Conversion of a factor to a character vector
as.character(pData(AlvMac)$Group)

# Number of samples (rows) and annotations (columns)
dim(pData(AlvMac))
```

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AlvMac_results	<i>Sample output from the GO_analyse() function on an RNAseq experiment.</i>
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## Description

This variable may be used to test the filtering and visualisation methods implemented in the package. It contains the output of the command `AlvMac_results = GO_analyse(eSet=AlvMac, f="Treatment")` applied to the sample input data `data(AlvMac)`.

## Usage

```
data(AlvMac_results)
```

## Value

A list of 7 slots summarising the input and results of the analysis:

- `GO` contains a table ranking all GO terms related to genes in the expression dataset based on the average ability of their related genes to cluster the samples according to the predefined grouping factor.
- `mapping` contains the table mapping genes present in the dataset to GO terms.
- `genes` contains a table ranking all genes present in the expression dataset based on their ability to cluster the samples according to the predefined grouping factor (see 'factor' below).
- `factor` contains the grouping factor analysed.
- `method` contains the statistical framework used.
- `ntree` contains number of trees built during the randomForest analysis.
- `mtry` contains the number of features randomly sampled as candidates at each split in each tree built during the randomForest analysis.

**Warning**

Running the above command again, you might obtain slightly different scores and ranks due to the stochastic process of sampling used by the random forest algorithm. However, the ranking metric was found to be robust and stable across run, given adequate number of trees and predictor variables sampled.

**Source**

Source data are part of a publication in review.

**Examples**

```
data(AlvMac_results)
str(AlvMac_results)
head(AlvMac_results$GO, n=20)
head(AlvMac_results$GO$genes, n=20)
```

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cluster\_GO

*Generates a hierarchical clustering of the samples*


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**Description**

Clusters the samples using only the expression levels of genes associated with a given go\_id.

**Usage**

```
cluster_GO(
  go_id, result, eSet, f=result$factor, subset=NULL,
  method_dist="euclidean", method_hclust="average", cex=0.8,
  main=paste(go_id, result$GO[result$GO$go_id == go_id, "name_1006"]),
  xlab="Distance", cex.main=1, main.Lsplit=NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

go_id	A Gene Ontology (GO) identifier.
result	The output of GO_analyse() or a subset of it obtained from subset_scores().
eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
f	The grouping factor in phenodata to label the samples by.
subset	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in colnames(pData(eSet)). Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of pData(eSet).

method_dist	The method used to calculate distance between samples. See the <code>dist()</code> method from package <code>stats</code> .
method_hclust	The method used to cluster samples. See the <code>hclust()</code> method from package <code>stats</code> .
cex	A numeric value defining the character expansion of text in the plot.
main	A character string for the main title of the plot.
xlab	A label for the x axis, defaults to "Distance".
cex.main	Scaling factor of the main title font size. Default is 1. We suggest to use it in combination with the argument <code>main.Lsplit</code> for GO terms with long names.
main.Lsplit	Number of characters after which a new-line character will be inserted in the main title. If this would occur within a word, the new-line character will be inserted before this word. Default is <code>NULL</code> , leaving the title on a single line.
...	Additional parameters passed on to <code>dist()</code> , <code>hclust()</code> and <code>plot()</code> .

**Value**

Returns the output of the `plot()` function.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

Method [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Hierarchical clustering of samples based on the same GO term
cluster_GO(go_id="GO:0034142", result=AlvMac_results, eSet=AlvMac, cex=0.7)

# Re-label sample by another factor
cluster_GO(go_id="GO:0034142", result=AlvMac_results, eSet=AlvMac, cex=0.7,
          f="Group")
```

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expression\_plot      *Plots the expression profile of a gene by levels of a factor*

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### Description

This function will plot the expression profile of a gene across a valid X-axis variable in the phenodata while representing the mean and confidence interval of groups of samples defined by levels of another valid grouping factor in the phenodata.

### Usage

```
expression_plot(
  gene_id, result, eSet, x_var, f=result$factor, subset=NULL,
  xlab=x_var, ylab="log2(cpm)", ylim=range(exprs(eSet)),
  col.palette="Accent",
  col=brewer.pal(n=length(levels(pData(eSet)[,f])), name=col.palette),
  level=0.95, title=NULL, title.size=2, axis.title.size=20,
  axis.text.size=15, axis.text.angle=0,
  legend.title.size=20, legend.text.size=15, legend.key.size=30)
```

### Arguments

gene_id	An gene or probeset identifier present in rownames(expr_data).
result	An output of the GO_analyse() or subset_scores() function.
eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodate slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
x_var	A column name in phenodata to plot on the X-axis. If representing time on the X-axis, users should store the time-points as numeric values in the AnnotatedDataFrame to adequately space the time-points.
f	A column name in phenodata to group the samples when representing mean and confidence interval. The factor specified in the initial GO_analyse() call is used by default. Unexpected grouping factors of samples can reveal interesting trends (e.g. "Animal", "Tissue", "CellType", ...).
subset	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in colnames(pData(eSet)). Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of pData(eSet).
xlab	Title of the X-axis. Default is the value of x_var.
ylab	Title of the Y-axis. Default is "log2(cpm)".
ylim	Numeric vector of length 2 specifying the lower and upper bounds of the Y axis. Default is scaled to the full range of expression values in the expression dataset, to ease comparison of different genes. If set to NULL, the axis will be scaled to fit the plotted data only.

col.palette	A valid RColorBrewer palette name to fetch the colormap from. Default is palette "Accent".
col	A vector of color names or codes. The number of colors provided must match the number of levels of the grouping factor. If specified, overrides argument col.palette.
level	The confidence interval level to visualise around the mean of each group. Default is 0.95.
title	Changes the plot title. Default is a combination of the gene id and the associated gene.
title.size	Changes the font size of the title. Default is 2.
axis.title.size	Changes the font size of the axes title. Default is 20.
axis.text.size	Changes the font size of the axes text labels. Default is 15.
axis.text.angle	Changes the angle of the X axis text labels. Default is 0 (horizontal).
legend.title.size	Changes the font size of the legend title. Default is 20.
legend.text.size	Changes the font size of the legend text labels. Default is 15.
legend.key.size	Changes the size of the legend keys (in points). Default is 30.

**Value**

The ggplot object.

**Warning**

Common issues:

- It may not be possible to produce plots where the combination of X-axis variable and grouping factor leaves too few replicates to compute a confidence interval for each X value. This is a limitation imposed by the `ggplot2` package to produce proper statistics and confidence intervals. In such cases, it may be preferable to use the `expression_profiles()` method.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

- [ggplot2](#) package.

**See Also**

Packages [Biobase](#) and [ggplot2](#) , methods [expression\\_plot\\_symbol](#) and [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Expression by gene identifier (TNIP3)
expression_plot(gene_id="ENSBTAG00000047107", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Timepoint",
               result=AlvMac_results)

# Same gene, plotted by animal and grouped by treatment (merging time points)
expression_plot(gene_id="ENSBTAG00000047107", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Animal",
               result=AlvMac_results,
               f="Treatment")

# Same gene, plotted by animal and grouped by time-point (merging treatments)
expression_plot(gene_id="ENSBTAG00000047107", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Animal",
               result=AlvMac_results,
               f="Time")
```

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```
expression_plot_symbol
```

*Plots the expression profile of a gene by levels of a factor*

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**Description**

This function will plot the expression profile of a gene across a valid X-axis variable from the AnnotatedDataFrame while representing the mean and confidence interval of groups of samples defined by levels of a valid grouping factor from the AnnotatedDataFrame.

In the case of a gene name represented by multiple gene or probeset identifiers in the dataset, a lattice of plots will be produced. Each of the plots in this lattice can subsequently be plotted separately using its associated index.

**Usage**

```
expression_plot_symbol(
  gene_symbol, result, eSet, x_var, f=result$factor, subset=NULL,
  index=0, xlab=x_var, ylab="log2(cpm)", ylim=range(exprs(eSet)),
  col.palette="Accent",
  col=brewer.pal(n=length(levels(pData(eSet)[,f])), name=col.palette),
  level=0.95, titles=c(), title.size=2, axis.title.size=20,
  axis.text.size=15, axis.text.angle=0,
  legend.title.size=20, legend.text.size=20, legend.key.size=30)
```

**Arguments**

gene_symbol	A gene name present in rownames(AlvMac_results\$genes).
result	An output of the GO_analyse() or subset_scores() function.

<code>eSet</code>	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
<code>x_var</code>	A column name in phenodata to plot on the X-axis. If representing time on the X-axis, users should store the time-points as numeric values in the AnnotatedDataFrame to adequately space the time-points.
<code>f</code>	A column name in phenodata to group the samples when representing mean and confidence interval. The factor specified in the initial GO_analyse() call is used by default. Unexpected grouping factors of samples can reveal interesting trends (e.g. "Animal", "Tissue", "CellType", ...).
<code>subset</code>	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in colnames(pData(eSet)). Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of pData(eSet).
<code>index</code>	In the case where multiple gene or probeset identifiers are associated with the gene name, index=2 will plot the expression profile of the second feature identifier alone, for instance.
<code>xlab</code>	Title of the X-axis. Default is the value of <code>x_var</code> .
<code>ylab</code>	Title of the Y-axis. Default is "log2(cpm)".
<code>ylim</code>	Numeric vector of length 2 specifying the lower and upper bounds of the Y axis. Default is scaled to the full range of expression values in the expression dataset, to ease comparison of different genes. If set to NULL, the axis will be scaled to fit the plotted data only.
<code>col.palette</code>	A valid RColorBrewer palette name to fetch the colormap from.
<code>col</code>	A vector of color names or codes. The number of colors provided must match the number of levels of the grouping factor. Default to a palette with an adequate set of colors. If specified, overrides argument <code>col.palette</code> .
<code>level</code>	The confidence interval level to visualise around the mean of each group. Default is 0.95.
<code>titles</code>	Character vector providing as many titles as there are plots to replace the default titles. Default is a combination of the gene id and the associated gene.
<code>title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the title. Default is 2.
<code>axis.title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the axes title. Default is 20.
<code>axis.text.size</code>	Changes the font size of the axes text labels. Default is 15.
<code>axis.text.angle</code>	Changes the angle of the X axis text labels. Default is 0 (horizontal).
<code>legend.title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the legend title. Default is 20.
<code>legend.text.size</code>	Changes the font size of the legend text labels. Default is 15.
<code>legend.key.size</code>	Changes the size of the legend keys (in points). Default is 30.

**Value**

The ggplot object, or NULL if multiple features are annotated to the gene symbol.

**Warning**

Common issues:

- It may not be possible to produce plots where the combination of X-axis variable and grouping factor leaves too few replicates to compute a confidence interval for each X value. This is a limitation imposed by the ggplot2 package to produce proper statistics and confidence intervals. In such cases, it may be preferable to use the expression\_profiles\_symbol() method.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

- [ggplot2](#) package.

**See Also**

Packages [Biobase](#) and [ggplot2](#) , methods [expression\\_plot](#) and [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Expression by gene identifier (TNIP3)
expression_plot_symbol(gene_symbol="PIK3AP1", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Timepoint",
                      result=AlvMac_results)

# Same gene, plotted by animal and grouped by treatment (merging time points)
expression_plot_symbol(gene_symbol="PIK3AP1", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Animal",
                      result=AlvMac_results,
                      f="Treatment")

# Same gene, plotted by animal and grouped by time-point (merging treatments)
expression_plot_symbol(gene_symbol="PIK3AP1", eSet=AlvMac, x_var="Animal",
                      result=AlvMac_results,
                      f="Time")
```

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expression\_profiles     *Plots the individual expression profile of a gene in samples series*

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### Description

This function will plot the expression profile of a gene in individual samples series across a valid X-axis variable in the phenodata, while colouring sample groups according to another variable in the phenodata, and using different line types according to yet another (or the same) variable in the phenodata.

### Usage

```
expression_profiles(
  gene_id, result, eSet, x_var, seriesF, subset=NULL,
  colourF=result$factor, linetypeF=colourF, line.size=1.5,
  xlab=x_var, ylab="log2(cpm)", ylim=range(exprs(eSet)),
  col.palette="Accent",
  col=brewer.pal(n=length(levels(pData(eSet)[,colourF])),
                 name=col.palette),
  lty=1:length(levels(pData(eSet)[,linetypeF])),
  title=NULL, title.size=2, axis.title.size=20,
  axis.text.size=15, axis.text.angle=0,
  legend.title.size=20, legend.text.size=15,
  legend.key.size=30)
```

### Arguments

gene_id	An gene or probeset identifier present in rownames(expr_data).
result	An output of the GO_analyse() or subset_scores() function.
eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
x_var	A column name in phenodata to plot on the X-axis. If representing time on the X-axis, users should store the time-points as numeric values in the AnnotatedDataFrame to adequately space the time-points.
seriesF	A column name in phenodata to track samples of an identical series across the X-axis. The combination of seriesF and x_var should uniquely identify each sample in eSet.
subset	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in colnames(pData(eSet)). Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of pData(eSet).
colourF	A column name in phenodata to colour the corresponding groups of samples. The factor specified in the initial GO_analyse() call is used by default.

linetypeF	A column name in phenodata to assign a different line type to the corresponding groups of samples. Default mirrors colourF.
line.size	The width of the plotted lines. Default is 1.5.
xlab	Title of the X-axis. Default is the value of x_var.
ylab	Title of the Y-axis. Default is "log2(cpm)".
ylim	Numeric vector of length 2 specifying the lower and upper bounds of the Y axis. Default is scaled to the full range of expression values in the expression dataset, to ease comparison of different genes. If set to NULL, the axis will be scaled to fit the plotted data only.
col.palette	A valid RColorBrewer palette name to fetch the colormap from. Default is palette "Accent".
col	A vector of color names or codes. The number of colors provided must match the number of levels of the factor colourF. If specified, overrides argument col.palette. Default colours are obtained from the col.palette.
lty	A vector of numeric values corresponding to line types. The number of line types provided must match the number of levels of the factor linetypeF. Default line types are 1:length(levels(pData(eSet)[, linetypeF])).
title	Changes the plot title. Default is a combination of the gene id and the associated gene.
title.size	Changes the font size of the title. Default is 2.
axis.title.size	Changes the font size of the axes title. Default is 20.
axis.text.size	Changes the font size of the axes text labels. Default is 15.
axis.text.angle	Changes the angle of the X axis text labels. Default is 0 (horizontal).
legend.title.size	Changes the font size of the legend title. Default is 20.
legend.text.size	Changes the font size of the legend text labels. Default is 15.
legend.key.size	Changes the size of the legend keys (in points). Default is 30.

### Details

In order to track and visualise individual sample series, each sample in the ExpressionSet should be associated with a unique combination of seriesF and x\_var. This may require the generation of a new factor in the phenodata, combining all experimental factors except that plotted on the X-axis. See below for an example on the training dataset.

### Value

The ggplot object.

### Author(s)

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**References**

- [ggplot2](#) package.

**See Also**

Packages [Biobase](#) and [ggplot2](#), methods [expression\\_plot\\_symbol](#) and [expression\\_plot\\_symbol](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

AlvMac$Series = paste(AlvMac$Animal, AlvMac$Treatment, sep="_")

expression_profiles(gene_id = "ENSBTAG00000047107", result = AlvMac_results,
  eSet=AlvMac, x_var = "Timepoint", seriesF="Series",
  legend.title.size=10, legend.text.size=10,
  legend.key.size=15)

expression_profiles(gene_id = "ENSBTAG00000047107", result = AlvMac_results,
  eSet=AlvMac, x_var = "Timepoint", seriesF="Series",
  linetypeF="Animal",
  legend.title.size=10, legend.text.size=10,
  legend.key.size=15)
```

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expression\_profiles\_symbol

*Plots the individual expression profile of a gene in samples series*

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**Description**

This function will plot the expression profile of a gene in individual samples series across a valid X-axis variable in the phenodata, while colouring sample groups according to another variable in the phenodata, and using different line types according to yet another (or the same) variable in the phenodata.

**Usage**

```
expression_profiles_symbol(
  gene_symbol, result, eSet, x_var, seriesF, subset=NULL,
  colourF=result$factor, linetypeF=colourF, line.size=1.5,
  index=0, xlab=x_var, ylab="log2(cpm)", ylim=range(exprs(eSet)),
  col.palette="Accent",
  col=brewer.pal(n=length(levels(pData(eSet)[,colourF])),
    name=col.palette),
  lty=1:length(levels(pData(eSet)[,linetypeF])),
  titles=c(), title.size=2, axis.title.size=20,
  axis.text.size=15, axis.text.angle=0,
```

```
legend.title.size=20, legend.text.size=15,
legend.key.size=30)
```

### Arguments

gene_symbol	A gene name present in <code>rownames(AlvMac_results\$genes)</code> .
result	An output of the <code>GO_analyse()</code> or <code>subset_scores()</code> function.
eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
x_var	A column name in phenodata to plot on the X-axis. If representing time on the X-axis, users should store the time-points as numeric values in the AnnotatedDataFrame to adequately space the time-points.
seriesF	A column name in phenodata to track samples of an identical series across the X-axis. The combination of seriesF and x_var should uniquely identify each sample in eSet.
subset	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in <code>colnames(pData(eSet))</code> . Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of <code>pData(eSet)</code> .
colourF	A column name in phenodata to colour the corresponding groups of samples. The factor specified in the initial <code>GO_analyse()</code> call is used by default.
linetypeF	A column name in phenodata to assign a different line type to the corresponding groups of samples. Default mirrors colourF.
line.size	The width of the plotted lines. Default is 1.5.
index	In the case where multiple gene or probeset identifiers are associated with the gene name, <code>index=2</code> will plot the expression profile of the second feature identifier alone, for instance.
xlab	Title of the X-axis. Default is the value of x_var.
ylab	Title of the Y-axis. Default is "log2(cpm)".
ylim	Numeric vector of length 2 specifying the lower and upper bounds of the Y axis. Default is scaled to the full range of expression values in the expression dataset, to ease comparison of different genes. If set to NULL, the axis will be scaled to fit the plotted data only.
col.palette	A valid RColorBrewer palette name to fetch the colormap from. Default is palette "Accent".
col	A vector of color names or codes. The number of colors provided must match the number of levels of the factor colourF. If specified, overrides argument col.palette. Default colours are obtained from the col.palette.
lty	A vector of numeric values corresponding to line types. The number of line types provided must match the number of levels of the factor linetypeF. Default line types are <code>1:length(levels(pData(eSet)[, linetypeF]))</code> .

<code>titles</code>	Character vector providing as many titles as there are plots to replace the default titles. Default is a combination of the gene id and the associated gene.
<code>title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the title. Default is 2.
<code>axis.title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the axes title. Default is 20.
<code>axis.text.size</code>	Changes the font size of the axes text labels. Default is 15.
<code>axis.text.angle</code>	Changes the angle of the X axis text labels. Default is 0 (horizontal).
<code>legend.title.size</code>	Changes the font size of the legend title. Default is 20.
<code>legend.text.size</code>	Changes the font size of the legend text labels. Default is 15.
<code>legend.key.size</code>	Changes the size of the legend keys (in points). Default is 30.

**Details**

In order to track and visualise individual sample series, each sample in the ExpressionSet should be associated with a unique combination of `seriesF` and `x_var`. This may require the generation of a new factor in the phenodata, combining all experimental factors except that plotted on the X-axis. See below for an example on the training dataset.

**Value**

The ggplot object, or NULL if multiple features are annotated to the gene symbol.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**References**

- [ggplot2](#) package.

**See Also**

Packages [Biobase](#) and [ggplot2](#), methods [expression\\_plot\\_symbol](#) and [expression\\_plot\\_symbol](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

AlvMac$Series = paste(AlvMac$Animal, AlvMac$Treatment, sep="_")

expression_profiles_symbol(gene_symbol="TNIP3", result = AlvMac_results,
  linetypeF="Animal", line.size=1.5,
  eSet=AlvMac, seriesF="Series", x_var = "Timepoint",
  title.size=1.5, legend.title.size=10, legend.text.size=10,
```

```

legend.key.size=30)

expression_profiles_symbol(gene_symbol="TNIP3", result = AlvMac_results,
  linetypeF="Animal", line.size=1.5, lty=rep(1,10),
  eSet=AlvMac, seriesF="Series", x_var = "Timepoint",
  title.size=1.5, legend.title.size=10, legend.text.size=10,
  legend.key.size=30)

```

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GO_analyse	<i>Identifies gene ontologies clustering samples according to predefined factor.</i>
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## Description

Combines local gene expression data with online Gene Ontology (GO) resources to visualise and rank ontologies enriched for genes best clustering predefined groups of samples based on gene expression levels.

Using the biomaRt package, this method semi-automatically retrieves gene ontology annotations from Ensembl for the species corresponding to the expression dataset prior to performing the analysis. A random forest analysis is performed to evaluate the ability of each gene to cluster samples according to a predefined grouping factor (one-way ANOVA available as an alternative). Each GO term is scored and ranked according to the average rank (alternatively, average power) of all associated genes to cluster the samples according to the factor. The ranked list of GO terms is returned, with tools allowing to visualise the statistics on a gene- and ontology-basis.

## Usage

```

GO_analyse(
  eSet, f, subset=NULL, biomaRt_dataset="", microarray="",
  method="randomForest", rank.by="rank", do.trace=100, ntree=1000,
  mtry=ceiling(2*sqrt(nrow(eSet))),
  ...)

```

## Arguments

eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the AssayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
f	A column name in phenodata used as the grouping factor for the analysis.
subset	A named list to subset eSet for the analysis. Names must be column names existing in colnames(pData(eSet)). Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of pData(eSet). The original ExpressionSet will be left unchanged.

biomart_dataset	The BioMart Ensembl dataset corresponding to the species studied. Automatically detected if not specified. Use <code>data(prefix2dataset)</code> for valid values.
microarray	The identifier in the Ensembl BioMart corresponding to the microarray platform used. If not specified and Ensembl gene identifiers are not detected in the expression dataset, the method will attempt to automatically identify the platform used from the first probeset in the dataset. See <code>data(microarray2dataset)</code> for valid values.
method	Either "randomForest" or "rf" to use the random forest framework, or alternatively either of "anova" or "a" to use the one-way ANOVA model. Default is "randomForest".
rank.by	Either of "rank" or "score" to chose the metric used to order the gene and GO term result tables.
do.trace	Only used if method="randomForest". If set to TRUE, give a more verbose output as randomForest is run. If set to some integer, then running output is printed for every do.trace trees. Default is 100.
n.tree	Only used if method="randomForest". Number of trees to grow. This should not be set to too small a number, to ensure that every input row gets predicted at least a few times
mtry	Only used if method="randomForest". Number of features randomly sampled as candidates at each split. Default value is $2 \times \sqrt{\text{gene\_count}}$ which is approximately 220 genes for a dataset of 12,000 genes.
...	Additional arguments passed on to the <code>randomForest()</code> method.

### Details

The current scoring functions strongly favor GO terms associated with fewer genes at the top of the ranking. This bias may actually be seen as a valuable feature which enables the user to browse through GO terms of increasing "granularity", i.e. associated with increasingly large sets of genes, although consequently being increasingly vague and blurry (e.g. "protein binding" molecular function associated with over 6,000 genes).

It is suggested to use the `subset_scores()` function to filter out GO terms with fewer than 5+ genes associated with it. Indeed, those GO terms are more sensitive to outlier genes as they were scored on the average of a handful of genes.

### Value

A list containing the results of the analysis. Some elements are specific to each analysis method.

Core elements:

GO	A table ranking all GO terms related to genes in the expression dataset based on the average ability of their related genes to cluster the samples according to the predefined grouping factor.
mapping	The table mapping genes present in the dataset to GO terms.
genes	A table ranking all genes present in the expression dataset based on their ability to cluster the samples according to the predefined grouping factor.

factor	The predefined grouping factor.
method	The statistical framework used.
subset	The filters used to run the analysis only on a subset of the samples. NULL if no filter was applied.

Random Forest additional elements:

ntree	Number of trees grown.
mtry	Number of variables randomly sampled as candidates at each split.

One-way ANOVA does not have additional arguments.

### Warning

Make sure that the factor `f` is an actual factor in the R language meaning. This is important for the underlying statistical framework to identify the groups of samples defined by their level of this factor.

If the column defining the factor (e.g. "Treatment") in `codephenodata` is not an R factor, use `pData(targets)$Treatment = factor(pData(targets)$Treatment)` to convert the character values into an actual R factor with appropriate levels.

### Author(s)

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

### See Also

Methods [subset\\_scores](#), [getBM](#), [randomForest](#), and [oneway.test](#).

### Examples

```
# Load example data subset
data(AlvMac)

# Run the analysis on factor "Treatment",
# considering only treatments "MB" and "TB" at time-point "48H"
# Factor f must be one of the column names in pData(targets)
AlvMac_results <- GO_analyse(eSet=AlvMac, f="Treatment",
  subset=list(Time=c("48H"), Treatment=c("MB", "TB")))

## Not run:
# Syntax examples without actual data:

# To force the use of the Ensembl BioMart for the human species, use:
GO_analyse(eSet, f, biomaart_dataset = "hsapiens_gene_ensembl")

# To force use of the bovine affy_bovine microarray annotations use:
GO_analyse(eSet, f, microarray = "affy_bovine")

# Valid Ensembl BioMart datasets are listed in the following variable
data(prefix2dataset)
```

```
# Valid microarray= values are listed in the following variable
data(microarray2dataset)

# Additional time-consuming example usages, can be run manually
# with test data:

# Run the analysis on factor "Treatment" including all samples
# Factor must be one of the column names in pData(targets)
AlvMac_results <- GO_analyse(eSet=AlvMac, f="Treatment")

# Run the analysis on factor "Treatment" using ANOVA method
AlvMac_results <- GO_analyse(eSet=AlvMac, f="Treatment", method="a")

## End(Not run)
```

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heatmap_GO	<i>Generates a heatmap and hierarchical clustering of the samples and the genes</i>
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## Description

Clusters the samples and the genes associated with a GO term using the expression levels of genes related to a given ontology. Represents expression levels of those genes in a heatmap.

## Usage

```
heatmap_GO(
  go_id, result, eSet, f=result$factor, subset=NULL, gene_names=TRUE,
  scale="none", cexCol=1.2, cexRow=0.5,
  cex.main=1, trace="none", expr.col=bluered(75),
  row.col.palette="Accent",
  row.col=c(),
  main=paste(go_id, result$GO[result$GO$go_id == go_id,
    "name_1006"]),
  main.Lsplit=NULL,
  ...)
```

## Arguments

go_id	A Gene Ontology (GO) identifier.
result	The output of GO_analyse() or a subset of it obtained from subset_scores().
eSet	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the assayData slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the phenodata slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.

<code>f</code>	The grouping factor in phenodata to label the samples by.
<code>subset</code>	A named list to subset eSet. Names must be column names existing in <code>colnames(pData(eSet))</code> . Values must be vectors of values existing in the corresponding column of <code>pData(eSet)</code> .
<code>gene_names</code>	A boolean value. Default is TRUE, to label genes by their associated gene name. If FALSE, labels the genes by their feature identifier in the expression dataset (i.e. Ensembl gene identifier or microarray probeset).
<code>scale</code>	Character indicating if the values should be centered and scaled in either the row direction or the column direction, or none. Default is "none". See <code>heatmap.2()</code> .
<code>cexCol, cexRow</code>	Positive numbers, used as <code>cex.axis</code> in for the row or column axis labeling. Defaults are 1.2 and 1, respectively. See <code>heatmap.2()</code> .
<code>cex.main</code>	Scaling factor of the main title font size. Default is 1. We suggest to use it in combination with the argument <code>main.Lsplit</code> for GO terms with long names.
<code>trace</code>	Character string indicating whether a solid "trace" line should be drawn across each 'row' or down each 'column', both' or 'none'. The distance of the line from the center of each color-cell is proportional to the size of the measurement. Defaults to 'none'.
<code>expr.col</code>	Character vector indicating the colors to represent the different levels of gene expression. Defaults to a colormap of 75 shades ranging from blue (low) to red (high) and centered around white. If using differential expression data, you should probably use <code>greenred(75)</code> instead.
<code>row.col.palette</code>	A valid RColorBrewer palette name to fetch the colormap from, to color-code the groups of samples.
<code>row.col</code>	A vector of color names or codes. The number of colors provided must match the number of levels of the grouping factor. Default to an palette of up to 9 colors marking the different levels of the predefined grouping factor on the left side of the heatmap.
<code>main</code>	Main title of the figure. Default is <code>paste(go_id, go_name)</code> .
<code>main.Lsplit</code>	Number of characters after which a new-line character will be inserted in the main title. If this would occur within a word, the new-line character will be inserted before this word. Default is NULL, leaving the title on a single line.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed on to <code>heatmap.2()</code> .

**Value**

Returns the output of the `heatmap.2()` function.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [heatmap.2](#), [GO\\_analyse](#), and [brewer.pal.info](#).

### Examples

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Heatmap the top-ranked GO term (toll-like receptor 4 signaling pathway) as
# example
heatmap_GO(go_id="GO:0034142", result=AlvMac_results, eSet=AlvMac)

# Same with larger sample labels on the right hand side.
heatmap_GO(go_id="GO:0034142", result=AlvMac_results, eSet=AlvMac, cexRow=1)

# Change the color-coding to green-black-red gradient (more appropriate for
# differential expression values)
library(gplots)
heatmap_GO(go_id="GO:0034142", result=AlvMac_results, eSet=AlvMac,
  expr.col=greenred(75))
```

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hist\_scores

*Plots the distribution of scores following an GOexpress analysis.*

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### Description

Plots the an histogram representing the frequencies of scores in the output variable of the GO\_analyse() function.

This function can also be used on the output of subset\_scores() function as it returns a value formatted identically to the output of the GO\_analyse() function.

### Usage

```
hist_scores(result,
            main=paste("Distribution of average scores in",
                      deparse(substitute(result))),
            xlab="Average score", ...)
```

### Arguments

result	The output of the GO_analyse() function.
main, xlab	These arguments to title have useful defaults here.
...	Additional arguments passed on to hist().

### Value

Returns the output of the hist() function.

### Author(s)

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [hist](#), and [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Histogram of scores (labelled with counts)
hist_scores(result=AlvMac_results, breaks=20, labels=TRUE)

# filter for Biological Processes associated with 10+ genes
filtered_results <- subset_scores(result=AlvMac_results, total_count=5,
  namespace="BP")

# Histogram of scores (labelled with counts)
hist_scores(result=filtered_results, breaks=20, labels=TRUE)
```

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list\_genes

*Returns the genes associated with a Gene Ontology*

---

**Description**

Given a Gene Ontology (GO) identifier represented in the dataset, returns a character vector listing the feature identifiers annotated to it.

**Usage**

```
list_genes(go_id, result, data.only=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

go_id	A Gene Ontology (GO) identifier represented in the dataset.
result	The output of <code>GO_analyse()</code> or a subset of it obtained from <code>subset_scores()</code> .
data.only	Whether to return only the feature identifiers present in the given dataset or alternatively returns all feature identifiers associated with the GO term in the Ensembl BioMart. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A character vector listing the feature identifiers of the genes associated with the GO term.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# List of genes associated with the GO term "toll-like receptor 4 signaling
# pathway"
list_genes(result=AlvMac_results, go_id="GO:0034142")
```

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microarray2dataset	<i>Table mapping probeset identifier prefixes to datasets in the Ensembl BioMart.</i>
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**Description**

The species corresponding to an probeset identifier can often be identified from the prefix of the identifier (e.g. Bt.457.1.S1\_at corresponds to *Bos taurus*). This table maps some known unique prefix to the corresponding species.

**Usage**

```
data(microarray2dataset)
```

**Details**

All Agilent microarray share the same prefix pattern, making it very difficult to differentiate. Many Affymetrix microarrays also share the same prefix pattern for several probesets.

The dataset and microarray arguments of the GO\_analyse method are the best way to specify which BioMart information should be used to annotate the features in your expression dataset.

**Value**

A data frame with 105 observations of the 5 variables described below:

- dataset contains species-specific biomaRt dataset names.
- microarray contains microarray identifiers in the Ensembl BioMart dataset described above.
- sample contains an example probeset sampled from the corresponding Ensembl BioMart dataset and microarray.
- prefix a manually curated prefix pattern for the corresponding Ensembl BioMart dataset and microarray. This pattern may or may not be unique to the microarray in the BioMart database. Therefore we encourage users to use the 'microarray' .....
- unique contains a boolean value stating whether the prefix pattern was found curated as unique to the microarray or not.

**Source**

A separate script was used to query the Ensembl BioMart server and build this table.

**Examples**

```
data(microarray2dataset)
microarray2dataset
```

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overlap_GO	<i>Shared genes between a list of GO terms.</i>
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**Description**

Given a list of two to five GO terms, `overlap_GO()` will produce a Venn diagram showing the counts of overlapping genes associated with those GO terms.

**Usage**

```
overlap_GO(go_ids, result, filename=NULL, mar=rep(0.1, 4), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>go_ids</code>	A character vector of GO term identifiers to compare. For instance, <code>head(result\$scores\$go_id, n=5)</code> to compare the first 5 top-ranked GO terms in the <code>result</code> variable.
<code>result</code>	The output of <code>GO_analyse()</code> or a subset of it obtained from <code>subset_scores()</code> .
<code>filename</code>	The output filename where the Venn diagram will be saved. Default is <code>NULL</code> , displaying the Venn diagram on screen.
<code>mar</code>	The margins around the Venn diagram. Some Venn diagrams place the GO term labels outside the visible frame.
<code>...</code>	Further parameters forwarded to the <code>venn.diagram()</code> function.

**Value**

Returns the output of the `venn.diagram()` function.

**Warning**

An error is returned if the list of GO term identifiers contains less than 2 elements or more than 5, as the underlying `venn.diagram()` method does not support values outside that range.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [venn.diagram](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# filter for Biological Processes associated with 10+ genes
filtered_results <- subset_scores(result=AlvMac_results, total_count=5,
  namespace="BP")

# Venn diagram of overlapping genes between top 5 GO terms
overlap_GO(go_ids=head(filtered_results$GO$go_id, n=5),
  result=filtered_results, filename="VennDiagram.tiff")
```

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plot\_design

*Plot Univariate Effects for genes associated with a Gene Ontology*


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**Description**

Successively plots univariate effects of one or more **factors**, typically for a designed experiment as analyzed by `av()`.

**Usage**

```
plot_design(
  go_id, result, eSet,
  factors=colnames(pData(eSet)), main="", main.Lsplit=NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>go_id</code>	A Gene Ontology (GO) identifier represented by at least one gene in the dataset.
<code>result</code>	The output of <code>GO_analyse()</code> or a subset of it obtained from <code>subset_scores()</code> .
<code>eSet</code>	ExpressionSet of the Biobase package including a gene-by-sample expression matrix in the <code>AssayData</code> slot, and a phenotypic information data-frame in the <code>phenodata</code> slot. In the expression matrix, row names are Ensembl gene identifiers or probeset identifiers, and column names are sample identifiers. In the phenotypic data-frame, row names are sample identifiers, column names are grouping factors and phenotypic traits usable for the one-way ANOVA.
<code>factors</code>	A set of column names from <code>phenodata</code> . Each of these values will be represented on the X-axis to investigate its effect on the average expression of a given genes for each level of that factor.
<code>main</code>	Changes the main title of the plots.
<code>main.Lsplit</code>	Number of characters after which a new-line character will be inserted in the main title. If this would occur within a word, the new-line character will be inserted before this word. Default is <code>NULL</code> , leaving the title on a single line.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments which will be passed on to the <code>plot.design()</code> function.

**Value**

The output of the `plot.design()` function.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [plot.design](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Univariate plot
plot_design(go_id="GO:0034142", eSet=AlvMac, result=AlvMac_results)
```

---

prefix2dataset

*Table mapping Ensembl gene identifier prefixes to BioMart datasets.*

---

**Description**

The species corresponding to an Ensembl gene identifier can typically be identified from the prefix of the identifier (e.g. ENSBTAG corresponds to *Bos taurus*). This table maps each known unique prefix to the corresponding species.

**Usage**

```
data(prefix2dataset)
```

**Details**

*C. elegans*, *D. melanogaster*, and *S. cerevisiae* have atypical identifier pattern and prefixes. Prefixes for those are included in the table, but checked independently of the other species.

**Value**

A data frame with 66 rows and 2 columns. The columns are described below:

- `prefix` contains unique prefixes.
- `dataset` contains the corresponding biomaRt dataset name.

**Source**

A separate script was used to query the Ensembl BioMart server and build this table.

**Examples**

```
data(prefix2dataset)
str(prefix2dataset)
prefix2dataset
```

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quantiles\_scores      *Returns the quantiles of scores following an GOexpress analysis.*

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**Description**

Returns a set of quantiles in indicating the scores reached by given proportions of the GO terms. This function can also be used on the output of subset\_scores() function as it returns a value formatted identically to the output of the GO\_analyse() function.

**Usage**

```
quantiles_scores(result, probs=c(0.9, 0.95, 0.99, 0.999, 0.9999),
                 quartiles=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

result	The output of GO_analyse() or a subset of it obtained from subset_scores().
probs	Numeric vector of probabilities with values in [0,1]. (Values up to 2e-14 outside that range are accepted and moved to the nearby endpoint.) See quantile
quartiles	A numeric vector of the percentiles for which the scores are desired.

**Value**

A named vector of percentiles and corresponding scores.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [quantile](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# filter for Biological Processes associated with 10+ genes
filtered_results <- subset_scores(result=AlvMac_results, total_count=5,
                                 namespace="BP")

# Quantiles of scores
quantiles_scores(result=filtered_results)
```

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rerank	<i>Reorder the result variable by alternative metrics.</i>
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**Description**

Reorder the ranked tables of GO terms and genes either by increasing (average) rank or decreasing (average) score.

**Usage**

```
rerank(result, rank.by = "rank")
```

**Arguments**

result	The output of <code>GO_analyse()</code> or a subset of it obtained from <code>subset_scores()</code> .
rank.by	Either of "rank" or "score"; the metric to rank the GO terms and genes by.

**Value**

A list formatted identically to the results of the analysis, but ordered by the chosen metric.

**Note**

The name `reorder()` was not used to avoid conflict with package `stats`.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

Method [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Re-rank the GO terms and genes based on the actual score instead of the rank
reranked.byScore <- rerank(result=AlvMac_results, rank.by="score")
```



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subset_scores	<i>Returns a filtered list from GO_analyse results.</i>
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### Description

Given an output variable from a GO\_analyse analysis and a set of valid filters and thresholds, returns an identically formatted list keeping only the rows of the score table passing all the filters.

### Usage

```
subset_scores(result, ...)

# Suggested use:
# subset_scores(result, total_count=5, namespace_1003="biological_process")
# synonym to
# subset_scores(result, total=5, namespace="BP")
```

### Arguments

result	The output of the GO_analyse() function.
...	Additional pairs of filter and threshold values in the format "filter=threshold". Filters must be valid names from colnames(result\$scores).

### Details

It is critical to filter out GO terms with very few genes (e.g. less than 5 genes), as the scoring function is biased for those GO terms (see UsersGuide).

In addition, it is useful to retain only GO terms of one type (i.e. namespace) among the three possible: "biological process", "molecular function", and "cellular component".

Suggested filters:

total_count, total:	Filter on the number of genes annotated to the GO term.
namespace, namespace_1003:	Filter keeping only the GO terms of a given type. Valid values are "biological_process", "molecular_function", and "cellular_component".

Other filters:

data_count, data:	Filter on the number of genes in the dataset annotated to the GO term.
ave_rank:	Average of the rank of all genes annotated to the GO term. Genes annotated to the GO term but absent from the dataset are ranked last.
ave_score:	Average of the score of all genes annotated to the GO term. Scores are the mean decrease in Gini index for the genes annotated to the GO term.

### Value

A list formatted identically to the results of the analysis, but restricted to the gene ontologies passing the given filters, and the genes mapped to those ontologies.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**Method [GO\\_analyse](#).**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# have an overview of the result variable
str(AlvMac_results)

# filter for Biological Processes associated with 10+ genes
filtered_results <- subset_scores(result=AlvMac_results, total_count=5,
  namespace="BP")

# have an overview of the filtered result variable
str(filtered_results)
```

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table_genes	<i>Returns a table listing the genes associated with a given Gene Ontology</i>
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**Description**

Given a Gene Ontology (GO) identifier represented in the dataset and the output variable of a `GO_analyse()` function, `table_genes()` returns a table listing the genes associated with that `go_id`, their associated gene name, and description.

**Usage**

```
table_genes(go_id, result, data.only=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>go_id</code>	A Gene Ontology (GO) identifier.
<code>result</code>	The output of the <code>GO_analyse()</code> function.
<code>data.only</code>	Whether to return only the feature identifiers present in the given dataset or alternatively returns all feature identifiers associated with the GO term in the Ensembl BioMart.

**Value**

A data frame listing the statistics and annotations for the genes present in the expression dataset and associated with the GO term.

**Author(s)**

Kevin Rue-Albrecht

**See Also**

Method [GO\\_analyse](#).

**Examples**

```
# load the sample output data
data(AlvMac_results)

# Table of result for genes associated with the GO term
# "toll-like receptor 4 signaling pathway"
table_genes(result=AlvMac_results, go_id="GO:0034142")
```

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