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Description

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abstract_search	Search the abstracts from the SRA studies available via the recount project
	project

Description

Given a text query, find the SRA project ids (study accession numbers) that contain the text in their abstract as provided by the SRAdb Bioconductor package.

Usage

```
abstract_search(query, id_only = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

query	A character vector with the text to search for via grep in the abstract info available at recount_abstract.
id_only	Whether to only return the project id or to return summary information for the project(s) that match the query.
	Additional arguments passed to grep.

Details

Both the query and the abstracts are searched in lower case.

For a more powerful search use the recount project website at https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/.

Value

```
If id_only = TRUE it returns a character vector with the project SRA ids (accession numbers). If id_only = FALSE it returns a subset of recount_abstract for the abstracts that contained the query.
```

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

```
browse_study, recount_abstract
```

```
## Find the Geuvadis consortium project
project_info <- abstract_search('Geuvadis consortium')
## See some summary information for this project
project_info</pre>
```

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all_metadata

This function downloads the metadata for all projects.

Description

Download the metadata from all the projects. This can be useful for finding samples of interests across all projects.

Usage

```
all_metadata(subset = "sra", verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

subset Either sra, gtex or tcga. Specifies which metadata file to download.

verbose If TRUE it will print a message of where the file is being downloaded to.

Details

Note that for subset = 'gtex', there are more variables than the ones we have for 'sra'. This information corresponds to file GTEx_Data_V6_Annotations_SampleAttributesDS.txt available at http://www.gtexportal.org/home/datasets. There you can find the information describing these variables.

For TCGA we acquired metadata information from 3 different sources: - GDC: via a json query - CGC: via json queries and a custom script to merge the tables - TCGAbiolinks: we used to to parse GDC's XML files For more information, check https://github.com/leekgroup/recount-website/tree/master/metadata/tcga_prep.

Value

A DataFrame-class object with the phenotype metadata.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

```
metadata <- all_metadata()</pre>
```

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browse_study

Open a SRA study id in the SRA website

Description

Given a SRA study id get the url to browse the study using the SRA website.

Usage

```
browse_study(project, browse = interactive())
```

Arguments

project A character vector with at least one SRA study id.
browse Whether to open the resulting URL in the browser.

Value

Returns invisibly the URL for exploring the study in the SRA website.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

abstract_search

Examples

```
## Find the Geuvadis consortium project
id <- abstract_search('Geuvadis consortium', id_only = TRUE)
id

## Explore the Geuvadis consortium project
url <- browse_study(id)

## See the actual URL
url</pre>
```

coverage_matrix

Given a set of regions for a chromosome, compute the coverage matrix for a given SRA study.

Description

Given a set of genomic regions as created by expressed_regions, this function computes the coverage matrix for a library size of 40 million 100 bp reads for a given SRA study.

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Usage

```
coverage_matrix(project, chr, regions, chunksize = 1000, bpparam = NULL,
  outdir = NULL, chrlen = NULL, verbose = TRUE, verboseLoad = verbose,
  ...)
```

Arguments

project A character vector with one SRA study id.

chr A character vector with the name of the chromosome.

regions A GRanges-class object with regions for chr for which to calculate the coverage

matrix.

chunksize A single integer vector defining the chunksize to use for computing the coverage

matrix. Regions will be split into different chunks which can be useful when

using a parallel instance as defined by bpparam.

bpparam A BiocParallelParam-class instance which will be used to calculate the coverage

matrix in parallel. By default, SerialParam-class will be used.

outdir The destination directory for the downloaded file(s) that were previously down-

loaded with download_study. If the files are missing, but outdir is specified, they will get downloaded first. By default outdir is set to NULL which will use the data from the web. We only recommend downloading the full data if you

will use it several times.

chrlen The chromosome length in base pairs. If it's NULL, the chromosome length is

extracted from the Rail-RNA runs GitHub repository. Alternatively check the SciServer section on the vignette to see how to access all the recount data via

a R Jupyter Notebook.

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

verboseLoad If TRUE basic status updates for loading the data will be printed.

... Additional arguments passed to download_study when outdir is specified but

the required files are missing.

Details

When using outdir = NULL the information will be accessed from the web on the fly. If you encounter internet access problems, it might be best to first download the BigWig files using download_study. This might be the best option if you are accessing all chromosomes for a given project and/or are thinking of using different sets of regions (for example, from different cutoffs applied to expressed_regions). Alternatively check the SciServer section on the vignette to see how to access all the recount data via a R Jupyter Notebook.

If you have bwtool installed, you can use https://github.com/LieberInstitute/recount. bwtool for faster results. Note that you will need to run scale_counts after running coverage_matrix_bwtool().

Value

A RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object with the counts stored in the assays slot.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

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See Also

download_study, findRegions, railMatrix

Examples

download_study

Download data for a given SRA study id from the recount project

Description

Download the gene or exon level RangedSummarizedExperiment-class objects provided by the recount project. Alternatively download the counts, metadata or file information for a given SRA study id. You can also download the sample bigWig files or the mean coverage bigWig file.

Usage

```
download_study(project, type = "rse-gene", outdir = project,
  download = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

project

A character vector with one SRA study id.

in a tsv file named files_info.tsv.

type

Specifies which files to download. The options are:

rse-gene the gene-level RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object in a file named rse_gene.Rdata.

rse-exon the exon-level RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object in a file named rse_exon.Rdata.

rse-jx the exon-exon junction level RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object in a file named rse_jx.Rdata.

counts-gene the gene-level counts in a tsv file named counts_gene.tsv.gz. **counts-exon** the exon-level counts in a tsv file named counts_exon.tsv.gz. **counts-jx** the exon-exon junction level counts in a tsv file named counts_jx.tsv.gz. **phenotype** the phenotype data for the study in a tsv file named project.tsv. **files-info** the files information for the given study (including md5sum hashes)

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samples one bigWig file per sample in the study.

mean one mean bigWig file for the samples in the study, with each sample normalized to a 40 million 100 bp library using the total coverage sum (area under the coverage curve, AUC) for the given sample.

all Downloads all the above types. Note that it might take some time if the project has many samples. When using type = 'all' a small delay will be added before each download request to avoid request issues.

outdir The destination directory for the downloaded file(s). Alternatively check the

SciServer section on the vignette to see how to access all the recount data via

a R Jupyter Notebook.

download Whether to download the files or just get the download urls.

... Additional arguments passed to download.

Details

Check http://stackoverflow.com/a/34383991 if you need to find the effective URLs. For example, http://duffel.rail.bio/recount/DRP000366/bw/mean_DRP000366.bw points to a temporary link from Amazon Cloud Drive.

Value

Returns invisibly the URL(s) for the files that were downloaded.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

```
## Find the URL to download the RangedSummarizedExperiment for the
## Geuvadis consortium study.
url <- download_study('ERP001942', download = FALSE)

## See the actual URL
url

## Download the example data included in the package for study SRP009615

url2 <- download_study('SRP009615')
url2

## Load the data
load(file.path('SRP009615', 'rse_gene.Rdata'))

## Compare the data
library('testthat')
expect_equivalent(rse_gene, rse_gene_SRP009615)</pre>
```

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·	Identify expressed regions from the mean coverage for a given SRA project
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Description

This function uses the pre-computed mean coverage for a given SRA project to identify the expressed regions (ERs) for a given chromosome. It returns a GRanges-class object with the expressed regions as defined by findRegions.

Usage

Arguments

project A character vector with one SRA study id.

chr A character vector with the name of the chromosome.

cutoff The base-pair level cutoff to use.

outdir The destination directory for the downloaded file(s) that were previously down-

loaded with download_study. If the files are missing, but outdir is specified, they will get downloaded first. By default outdir is set to NULL which will use the data from the web. We only recommend downloading the full data if you

will use it several times.

maxClusterGap This determines the maximum gap between candidate ERs.

chrlen The chromosome length in base pairs. If it's NULL, the chromosome length is

extracted from the Rail-RNA runs GitHub repository. Alternatively check the SciServer section on the vignette to see how to access all the recount data via

a R Jupyter Notebook.

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

... Additional arguments passed to download_study when outdir is specified but

the required files are missing.

Value

A GRanges-class object as created by findRegions.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

download_study, findRegions, railMatrix

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Examples

find_geo

Find the GEO accession id for a given SRA run

Description

Given a SRA run id, this function will retrieve the GEO accession id (starting with GSM) if it's available. Otherwise it will return NA.

Usage

```
find_geo(run, verbose = FALSE, sleep = 1/2)
```

Arguments

run A character vector of length 1 with the SRA run accession id.

verbose Whether to print a message for the run. Useful when looping over a larger

number of SRA run ids.

sleep The number of seconds (or fraction) to wait before downloading data using get-

GEO. This is important if you are looking over geo_info() given the constraints

published at https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK25497/.

Details

Although the phenotype information already includes the GEO accession ids, not all projects had GEO entries at the time these tables were created. This function will then be useful to check if there is a GEO accession id for a given sample (run). If there is, you can then retrieve the information using geo_info.

Value

The GEO accession id for the corresponding sample.

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Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

Examples

```
## Find the GEO accession id for for SRX110461
find_geo('SRX110461')
```

geo_characteristics

Build a data.frame from GEO's charactersitics for a given sample

Description

This function builds a data frame from the GEO characteristics extracted for a given sample. The names of the of columns correspond to the field names. For a given SRA project, this information can be combined for all samples as shown in the examples section.

Usage

```
geo_characteristics(pheno)
```

Arguments

pheno

A DataFrame-class as created by geo_info.

Value

A 1 row data frame with the characteristic fields as column names and the values as the entries on the first row. If the authors of the study used the same names for all samples, you can then combine them using rbind.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

```
## Load required library
library('SummarizedExperiment')

## Get the GEO accession ids
geoids <- sapply(colData(rse_gene_SRP009615)$run[1:2], find_geo)

## Get the data from GEO
geodata <- do.call(rbind, sapply(geoids, geo_info))

## Add characteristics in a way that we can access easily later on
geodata <- cbind(geodata, geo_characteristics(geodata))

## Explore the original characteristics and the result from
## geo_characteristics()
geodata[, c('characteristics', 'cells', 'shrna.expression', 'treatment')]</pre>
```

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 ${\it Extract information from GEO for a given sample}$

Description

This function uses GEOquery to extract information for a given sample. The GEO accession ids for the sample can be found in the study phenotype table.

Usage

```
geo_info(geoid, verbose = FALSE, sleep = 1/2, getGPL = FALSE,
  destdir = tempdir(), ...)
```

Arguments

geoid	A character vector of length 1 with the GEO accession id for a given sample.
verbose	If TRUE the geoid will be shown.
sleep	The number of seconds (or fraction) to wait before downloading data using get-GEO. This is important if you are looking over geo_info() given the constraints published at https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK25497/.
getGPL	This argument is passed to getGEO and is set to FALSE by default to speed up the process.
destdir	This argument is passed to getGEO.
	Additional arguments passed to getGEO.

Value

Returns a DataFrame-class with the information from GEO available for the given sample.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres, Andrew Jaffe

Examples

```
geo_info('GSM836270')
```

recount_abstract

Summary information at the project level for the recount project

Description

A data.frame with summary information at the project level for the studies analyzed in the recount project.

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Format

```
A data frame with 4 columns.
```

```
number_samples the number of samples in the study,
```

species the species of the study,

abstract the abstract text as provided by the SRAdb Bioconductor package,

project the SRA project id.

References

```
https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/
```

See Also

download_study

recount_exons

Exon annotation used in recount

Description

Exon annotation extracted from Gencode v25 (GRCh38.p7) used in recount. Data extraced on January 17th, 2017.

Format

A GRangesList-class with one element per gene. The names match the gene Gencode v25 ids.

References

```
https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/
```

See Also

reproduce_ranges, recount_genes

recount_genes

Gene annotation used in recount

Description

Gene annotation extracted from Gencode v25 (GRCh38.p7) used in recount. Data extraced on January 17th, 2017. It includes the sum of the width of the reduced exons which can be used for normalizing the counts provided in the RangedSummarizedExperiment-class objects.

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Format

A GRanges-class with one range per gene. The names match their Gencode v25 ids. The GRanges-class has three metadata columns.

```
gene_id the Gencode v25 ids, identical to the names.
```

bp_length the sum of the width of the reduced exons for that given gene.

symbol a CharacterList with the corresponding gene symbols.

References

```
https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/
```

See Also

reproduce_ranges, recount_exons

recount_url

Files and URLs hosted by the recount project

Description

Files and URLs as provided by the recount project. This information is used internally in download_study.

Format

```
A data.frame with 4 columns.
```

```
path the original path to the file before being uploaded,
```

file_name the file name,

project the SRA project id,

url the public URL for the given file.

References

```
https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/
```

See Also

```
download_study
```

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reproduce_ranges	Reproduce the gene or exons used in the RangedSummarizedExperi-
	ment objects

Description

This function reproduces the gene or exon level information used for creating the RangedSummarizedExperimentclass objects provided by recount. The annotation is based on Gencode v25 with the gene-level information extracted with genes() (see transcripts with default arguments.

Usage

```
reproduce_ranges(level = "gene", db = "Gencode.v25")
```

Arguments

level Either genes or exon. It specifies whether to return Gene or exon level infor-

mation as a GRanges-class or GRangesList-class object respectively. The gene level information contains the width of the reduced exons for that given gene which can be used to normalize the counts provided by recount. Can also be both in which case a 2 element list with the exon and the gene output is re-

turned.

db Either Gencode.v25 (default) or EnsDb.Hsapiens.v79. The default option re-

produces the annotation used when creating recount. EnsDb.Hsapiens.v79 can be used for an alternative annotation as showcased in the recount vignette.

Details

For Gencode.v25, we use the comprehensive gene annotation (regions: CHR) from https://www.gencodegenes.org/releases/25.html (GRCh38.p7).

Value

Either a GRanges-class object like recount_genes or a GRangesList-class object like recount_exons.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

```
recount_genes, recount_exons, https://github.com/nellore, https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.
io/recount/
```

```
## Reproduce gene level information
genes <- reproduce_ranges()

## Not run:
## Compare against recount_genes</pre>
```

scale_counts

```
length(genes)
length(recount_genes)
## End(Not run)
```

rse_gene_SRP009615

RangedSummarizedExperiment at the gene level for study SRP009615

Description

RangedSummarizedExperiment-class at the gene level for study SRP009615. Used as an example in scale_counts.

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment-class as created by the recount project for study with SRA id (accession number) SRP009615.

References

```
https://jhubiostatistics.shinyapps.io/recount/
```

See Also

scale_counts, download_study

scale_counts

Scale the raw counts provided by the recount project

Description

In preparation for a differential expression analysis, you will have to choose how to scale the raw counts provided by the recount project. Note that the raw counts are the sum of the base level coverage so you have to take into account the read length or simply the total coverage for the given sample (default option). You might want to do some further scaling to take into account the gene or exon lengths.

Usage

```
scale_counts(rse, by = "auc", targetSize = 4e+07, L = 100,
factor_only = FALSE, round = TRUE)
```

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Arguments

rse A RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object as downloaded with download_study.

by Either auc or mapped_reads. If set to auc it will scale the counts by the total

coverage of the sample. That is, the area under the curve (AUC) of the coverage. If set to mapped_reads it will scale the counts by the number of mapped reads, whether the library was paired-end or not, and the desired read length (L).

targetSize The target library size in number of single end reads.

L The target read length. Only used when by = 'mapped_reads' since it cancels

out in the calculation when using by = 'auc'.

factor_only Whether to only return the numeric scaling factor or to return a RangedSummarizedExperiment-

class object with the counts scaled. If set to TRUE, you have to multiply the

sample counts by this scaling factor.

round Whether to round the counts to integers or not.

Details

Rail-RNA http://rail.bio uses soft clipping when aligning which is why we recommed using by = 'auc'.

If the reads are from a paired-end library, then the avg_read_length is the average fragment length. This is taken into account when using by = 'mapped_reads'.

Value

If factor_only = TRUE it returns a numeric vector with the scaling factor for each sample. If factor_only = FALSE it returns a RangedSummarizedExperiment-class object with the counts already scaled.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

download_study

```
## Load an example rse_gene object
rse_gene <- rse_gene_SRP009615

## Scale counts
rse <- scale_counts(rse_gene)

## Find the project used as an example
project_info <- abstract_search('GSE32465')

## See some summary information for this project
project_info

## Use the following code to re-download this file
## Not run:
## Download</pre>
```

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```
download_study(project_info$project)
## Load file
load(file.path(project_info$project, 'rse_gene.Rdata'))
identical(rse_gene, rse_gene_SRP009615)
## End(Not run)
```

snaptron_query

Query Snaptron to get data from exon-exon junctions present in Intropolis

Description

This function uses the Snaptron API to query specific exon-exon junctions that are available via Intropolis as described in the vignette.

Usage

```
snaptron_query(junctions, version = "srav1", verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

junctions A GRanges-class object with the exon-exon junctions of interest. The chromo-

some names should be in UCSC format, such as 'chr1'. The strand information

is ignored in the query.

version Either srav1, srav2, gtex or tcga. SRA Version 1 of Intropolis has the exon-

exon junctions from about 20 thousand RNA-seq samples in hg19 coordinates. SRA Version 2 has the data from about 50 thousand RNA-seq samples aligned to hg38. GTEx has about 30 million junctions from about 10 thousand samples from the GTEx consortium on hg38 coordinates. Finally, TCGA has about 36 million junctions from about 11 thousand samples from the TCGA consortium

on hg38 coordinates.

verbose If TRUE status updates will be printed.

Value

A GRanges-class object with the results from the Snaptron query. For information on the different columns please see http://snaptron.cs.jhu.edu/snaptron/docs/.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

References

Please cite http://snaptron.cs.jhu.edu/snaptron/docs/ if you use this function as Snaptron is a separate project from recount. Thank you!

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