

# Package ‘MetaPhOR’

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**Description** MetaPhOR was developed to enable users to assess metabolic dysregulation using transcriptomic-level data (RNA-sequencing and Microarray data) and produce publication-quality figures. A list of differentially expressed genes (DEGs), which includes fold change and p value, from DESeq2 or limma, can be used as input, with sample size for MetaPhOR, and will produce a data frame of scores for each KEGG pathway. These scores represent the magnitude and direction of transcriptional change within the pathway, along with estimated p-values. MetaPhOR then uses these scores to visualize metabolic profiles within and between samples through a variety of mechanisms, including: bubble plots, heatmaps, and pathway models.

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**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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**Description**

Create a Bubble Plot for Individual Samples

**Usage**

```
bubblePlot(scorelist, labeltext, labelsizesize = 0.25)
```

**Arguments**

|               |                                                     |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| scorelist     | dataframe(1) the output of Pathway Analysis fun     |
| labeltext     | character(1) what to label points by: LogFC or Pval |
| labelsizesize | numeric(1) size of text labels for points           |

**Value**

bubblePlot() returns a bubble plot using pathway scores, pval, logfc

**Examples**

```
brca <- read.csv(system.file("extdata/BRCA_Scores.csv",
                             package = "MetaPhOR"),
                 header = TRUE,
                 row.names = 1)

#Bubble Plot Labeled By P Value
bubblePlot(scorelist = brca,
            labeltext = "Pval",
            labelsizesize = .85)
```

```
#Bubble Plot Labeled by LogFC
bubblePlot(scorelist = brca,
            labeltext = "LogFC",
            labelsizesize = .85)
```

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cytoPath

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*Map Differentially Expressed Genes to Dysregulated Pathways*


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## Description

requires the package RCy3 and a local instance of Cytoscape

## Usage

```
cytoPath(
  pathway,
  DEGpath,
  figpath,
  genename,
  headers = c("log2FoldChange", "padj")
)
```

## Arguments

|          |                                                                                                 |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| pathway  | character, the name of the pathway to be visualized                                             |
| DEGpath  | character, the path to a DEG file by DESeq2 or limma                                            |
| figpath  | character, the path to which the figure will be saved                                           |
| genename | character, column name with HUGO Gene Names in DEG file                                         |
| headers  | character vector of length 2 in the form c(log fold change col name, adjusted p value col name) |

## Value

cytoPath() Returns a Cytoscape figure of DEG data on rWikiPathways

## Examples

```
cytoPath(pathway = "Tryptophan Metabolism",
          DEGpath = system.file("extdata/BRCA_DEGS.csv", package = "MetaPhOR"),
          figpath = file.path(tempdir(), "example_map"),
          genename = "X",
          headers = c("logFC", "adj.P.Val"))
```

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 datasummary

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*MetaPhOR: Metabolic Pathway Analysis of RNA*


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### Description

MetaPhOR was developed to enable users to assess metabolic dysregulation using transcriptomic-level data (RNA-sequencing and Microarray data) and produce publication-quality figures. A list of differentially expressed genes (DEGs), which includes fold change and p value, from DESeq2 or limma, can be used as input, with sample size for MetaPhOR, and will produce a data frame of scores for each KEGG pathway. These scores represent the magnitude and direction of transcriptional change within the pathway, along with estimated p-values. MetaPhOR then uses these scores to visualize metabolic profiles within and between samples through a variety of mechanisms, including: bubble plots, heatmaps, and pathway models.

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 metaHeatmap

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*Create a Heatmap for Comparing Multiple Samples*


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### Description

Create a Heatmap for Comparing Multiple Samples

### Usage

```
metaHeatmap(scorelist, samplenames, pvalcut = 0.05)
```

### Arguments

|             |                                                             |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| scorelist   | list of outputs from pathwayAnalysis()                      |
| samplenames | vector of samples names for axis labels                     |
| pvalcut     | numeric, the p val over which pathways will not be included |

### Value

metaHeatmap() returns a heatmap of significant dysregulated pathways for each sample included

**Examples**

```
brca <- read.csv(system.file("extdata/BRCA_Scores.csv",
                             package = "MetaPhOR"), header = TRUE, row.names = 1)

ovca <- read.csv(system.file("extdata/OVCA_Scores.csv",
                             package = "MetaPhOR"), header = TRUE, row.names = 1)

prad <- read.csv(system.file("extdata/PRAD_Scores.csv",
                             package = "MetaPhOR"), header = TRUE, row.names = 1)

all.scores <- list(brca, ovca, prad)
names <- c("BRCA", "OVCA", "PRAD")

metaHeatmap(scorelist = all.scores,
             samplenames = names,
             pvalcut = 0.05)
```

pathwayAnalysis

*Metabolic Pathway Analysis of RNAseq Data***Description**

Metabolic Pathway Analysis of RNAseq Data

**Usage**

```
pathwayAnalysis(
  DEGpath,
  genename,
  sampsize,
  iters = 1e+05,
  headers = c("log2FoldChange", "padj")
)
```

**Arguments**

|          |                                                                                                |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DEGpath  | character, the path to a txt or csv DEG file                                                   |
| genename | character, column name with HUGO Gene Names in DEG file                                        |
| sampsize | numeric, the sample size of the experiment to be analyzed                                      |
| iters    | numeric, the number of iterations of resampling to perform in bootstrapping                    |
| headers  | character vector of length2 in the form c(log fold change col name, adjusted p value col name) |

**Value**

pathwayAnalysis() returns a dataframe of pathway scores and pvals

**Examples**

```
#iterations (iters) of resampling in bootstrapping set to 30,000 for speed
#100,000 iterations recommended for improved power

set.seed(1234)

scores <- pathwayAnalysis(
  DEGpath = system.file("extdata/BRCA_DEGS.csv",
                        package = "MetaPhOR"),
  genename = "X",
  sampsize = 1095,
  iters = 30000,
  headers = c("logFC", "adj.P.Val"))

scores
```

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pathwayList

*List Available Metabolic rWikiPathways*

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**Description**

List Available Metabolic rWikiPathways

**Usage**

```
pathwayList()
```

**Value**

pathwayList() returns a list of rWikiPathways for use in CytoPath()

**Examples**

```
pathwayList()
```

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