

Risa: Building R objects from local ISA-Tab files

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1 Introduction

The Risa package is part of the ISA infrastructure software suite (<http://isa-tools.org>). It provides functionality to read ISA-Tab datasets, described in the following section. The source code and latest version can be found in the GitHub repository <https://github.com/ISA-tools/Risa>. Please, submit all 'bugs' and feature requests through <https://github.com/ISA-tools/Risa/issues>.

2 ISA-Tab format

The Investigation / Study / Assay (ISA) Tab-delimited (Tab) format is a general purpose framework with which to collect and communicate complex metadata (i.e. sample characteristics, technologies used, type of measurements made) from experiments employing a combination of technologies (<http://isa-tools.org>). In particular, ISA-Tab has been developed for - but not limited to - experiments using genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics or metabol/nomics techniques (the 'omics').

ISA-Tab uses three types of file to capture the experimental metadata:

- *Investigation file*
- *Study file*
- *Assay file* (with associated data files).

The Investigation file contains an overall description of an experiment while all experimental steps are described in the Study and in the Assay file(s). For each Investigation file there may be one or more Study files; for each Study file there may be one or more Assay files.

2.1 Investigation file

In this file, information is reported on a per-column basis and the fields are organized and divided in sections. The Investigation file is intended to meet three needs:

- to define key entities, such as factors, protocols, parameters, which may be referenced in the other files;
- to relate Assay files to Study files; and optionally,
- to relate each Study file to an Investigation (when two or more Study files need to be grouped). The declarative sections cover general information such as contacts, protocols and equipment, and also - where applicable - the description of terminologies (controlled vocabularies or ontologies) and other annotation resources that were used.

2.2 Study file

In this file, information is structured on a per-row basis with the first row being used for column headers. The Study file contains contextualizing information for one or more assays, for example; the subjects studied; their source(s); the sampling methodology; their characteristics; and any treatments or manipulations performed to prepare the specimens.

2.3 Assay file

In this file, as for the Study file, fields are organized on a per-row basis with the first row being used for column headers. The Assay file represents a portion of the experimental graph (i.e., one part of the overall structure of the workflow); each Assay file must contain assays of the same type, defined by the type of measurement (i.e. gene expression) and the technology employed (i.e. DNA microarray). Assay-related information includes protocols, additional information relating to the execution of those protocols and references to data files (whether raw or processed).

For easy transfer, ISA-Tab files and associated data files can be packaged into an ISArchive, using a standalone Java application named ISACreator (<http://isatab.sourceforge.net>). In order to facilitate identification of ISA-Tab components in an ISArchive, specific extensions have been created as follows:

- *i_iname.txt* for identifying the Investigation file
- *s_sname.txt* for identifying Study file (s)
- *a_aname.txt* for identifying Assay file (s)

where 'iname', 'sname', 'aname' are the user-given names for the investigation, study/ies, assay(s), respectively.

3 The Risa package

The Risa package is used to build R objects from an ISA archive or dataset. The output is a list of objects containing, for example, the investigation, studies and assays filenames, the contents of their files, the list of samples, among other things.

These objects can then be used by downstream Bioconductor packages for data analysis and visualization (i.e. xcms). The package currently includes the function `processAssayXcmsSet` that, for a specific mass spectrometry assay, builds an `xcmsSet` object.

3.1 Building an R object from a local ISA dataset

If you have your own ISA archive, you can use the function `readISAtab` to convert it into an R object. The arguments for the function `readISAtab` are:

- path the name of the directory containing ISAtab files. The default is the working directory.
- verbose a boolean indicating to show messages for the different steps, if TRUE, or not to show them, if FALSE

As an example, we can use the *faahKO* dataset, whose version 1.2.11 contains an ISA dataset describing the experiment. First, it is required to load the *Risa* package, and the *faahKO* package must have been installed.

```
> library(Risa)
> require(faahKO)
```

Then, we read the ISA-Tab data set from the *faahKO* package:

```
> faahkoISA <- readISAtab(find.package("faahKO"))
```

The object `faahkoISA` belongs to the `ISAtab` class, and contains the following elements:

- path - the path of the ISA-Tab dataset,
- investigation.filename - the name of the Investigation file
- investigation.file - a data frame with the contents of the Investigation file
- study.identifiers - the list of study identifiers
- study.filenames - the names of the study files
- study.files - a list of data frames with the contents of the study files
- assay.filenames - the names of the assay files
- assay.filenames.per.study - the names of the assay files according to the study they belong to
- assay.files - a list of data frames with the contents of the assay files
- assay.files.per.study - a list of data frames with the contents of the assay files divided per study they belong to
- assay.technology.types - a list with the technology types corresponding to each assay
- assay.measurement.types - a list with the measurement types corresponding to each assay
- data.filenames - a list with the names of the data files
- samples - a list with the names of the samples
- samples.per.assay.filename - the samples classified according to the assay filename they belong to
- assay.filenames.per.sample - the names of the assay files classified per sample name
- sample.to.rawdatafile - the association between samples and raw data files
- sample.to.assayname - the association between samples and assay names
- rawdatafile.to.sample - the association between raw data files and samples
- assayname.to.sample - the association between assay names and samples

Additionally, the ISA dataset could be compressed in a .zip file. If that is the case, the function `readISAtab` can be used, passing the `zipfile` as parameter. The only condition is that the ISA-Tab files are contained directly into the zip file, i.e. not inside additional folders.

In this case, the parameters for the function `readISAtab` will be:

- zipfile a zip archive containing ISAtab files.
- path the name of the directory in which the files from the zip archive will be extracted. The default is the working directory.
- verbose a boolean indicating to show messages for the different steps, if TRUE, or not to show them, if FALSE

Building xcmsSets for mass spectrometry assays

The function `processAssayXcmsSet` allows to build an `xcmsSet` (object defined in the `xcms` package) from the information in an assay file.

The parameters for this function are:

- `isa`: an ISA object, as retrieved by the function `readISAtab`
- `assay.filename` the name of the assay file with information about the relevant assay
- ... extra arguments that can be passed down to the `xcmsSet` function from the `xcms` package

Using the *faahKO* package as an example, we select the name of assay file, and use the `processAssayXcmsSet` to build a object of type *xcmsSet*:

```
> assay.filename <- faahkoISA["assay.filenames"][1]
> faahkoXset <- processAssayXcmsSet(faahkoISA, assay.filename)

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250:19 300:67 350:169 400:258 450:301 500:373 550:488 600:580
250:24 300:60 350:166 400:254 450:315 500:391 550:501 600:582
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250:27 300:107 350:232 400:347 450:440 500:549 550:712 600:905
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Augmenting the ISA-Tab dataset after analysis

The Risa package also provides the functionality to augment the original ISA-Tab dataset with more information after analysis.

The function `updateAssayMetadata` allows to modify the metadata in a particular assay file. The arguments are:

- `isa` An isatab object, as retrieved by the `readISAtab` function.
- `assay.filename` the filename of the assay file to be augmented/modified
- `col.name` the name of the column of the assay file to be modified
- `values` the values to be added to the column of the assay file: it could be a single value, and in this case the value is repeated across the column, or it could be a list of values (whose length must match the number of rows of the assay file)

To continue with our example using the *faahKO* data package, we will assume that the results of analysis are stored in the file *faahkoDSDF.txt*. Then, we will update the ISA-Tab dataset adding the result file into the 'Derived Spectral Data File' column of the assay file.

```
> updateAssayMetadata(faahkoISA, assay.filename, "Derived Spectral Data File", "faahkoDSDF.txt" )

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[1] "/home/biocbuild/bbs-3.1-bioc/R/library/faahKO"
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[1] "i_Investigation.txt"

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  7 Saghantelian_7           Mus musculus (Mouse)      NEWT  

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4	lc-ms-4	./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF		NA		NA
5	lc-ms-5	./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF		NA		NA
6	lc-ms-6	./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF		NA		NA
7	lc-ms-7	./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF		NA		NA
8	lc-ms-8	./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF		NA		NA
9	lc-ms-9	./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF		NA		NA
10	lc-ms-10	./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF		NA		NA
11	lc-ms-11	./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF		NA		NA
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1		NA		NA		
2		NA		NA		
3		NA		NA		
4		NA		NA		

5		NA		NA	
6		NA		NA	
7		NA		NA	
8		NA		NA	
9		NA		NA	
10		NA		NA	
11		NA		NA	
12		NA		NA	

```

Slot "assay.files.per.study":
$`Global metabolite profiling of faah(--) mice` 
$`Global metabolite profiling of faah(--) mice`[[1]]
  Sample Name Protocol REF Extract Name Protocol REF Labeled Extract Name
  1      K01   extraction      K01   labeling      NA
  2      K02   extraction      K02   labeling      NA
  3      K03   extraction      K03   labeling      NA
  4      K04   extraction      K04   labeling      NA
  5      K05   extraction      K05   labeling      NA
  6      K06   extraction      K06   labeling      NA
  7      WT1   extraction     WT1   labeling      NA
  8      WT2   extraction     WT2   labeling      NA
  9      WT3   extraction     WT3   labeling      NA
  10     WT4   extraction     WT4   labeling      NA
  11     WT5   extraction     WT5   labeling      NA
  12     WT6   extraction     WT6   labeling      NA
  Label Term Source REF Term Accession Number      Protocol REF
  1    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  2    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  3    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  4    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  5    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  6    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  7    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  8    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  9    NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  10   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  11   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  12   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  Parameter Value[instrument] Term Source REF Term Accession Number
  1    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  2    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  3    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  4    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  5    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  6    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  7    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  8    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  9    Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  10   Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  11   Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  12   Agilent 1100 LC-MSD SL      NA          NA
  Parameter Value[ion source] Term Source REF Term Accession Number
  1    electrospray ionization      MS          1000073

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2	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
3	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
4	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
5	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
6	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
7	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
8	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
9	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
10	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
11	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
12	electrospray ionization	MS	1000073
Parameter Value[detector] Term Source REF Term Accession Number			
1	NA	NA	NA
2	NA	NA	NA
3	NA	NA	NA
4	NA	NA	NA
5	NA	NA	NA
6	NA	NA	NA
7	NA	NA	NA
8	NA	NA	NA
9	NA	NA	NA
10	NA	NA	NA
11	NA	NA	NA
12	NA	NA	NA
Parameter Value[ionization mode] Term Source REF Term Accession Number			
1	positive mode	NA	NA
2	positive mode	NA	NA
3	positive mode	NA	NA
4	positive mode	NA	NA
5	positive mode	NA	NA
6	positive mode	NA	NA
7	positive mode	NA	NA
8	positive mode	NA	NA
9	positive mode	NA	NA
10	positive mode	NA	NA
11	positive mode	NA	NA
12	positive mode	NA	NA
MS Assay Name Raw Spectral Data File Protocol REF Normalization Name			
1	lc-ms-1	./cdf/KO/ko15.CDF	NA
2	lc-ms-2	./cdf/KO/ko16.CDF	NA
3	lc-ms-3	./cdf/KO/ko18.CDF	NA
4	lc-ms-4	./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF	NA
5	lc-ms-5	./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF	NA
6	lc-ms-6	./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF	NA
7	lc-ms-7	./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF	NA
8	lc-ms-8	./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF	NA
9	lc-ms-9	./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF	NA
10	lc-ms-10	./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF	NA
11	lc-ms-11	./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF	NA
12	lc-ms-12	./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF	NA
Data Transformation Name Derived Spectral Data File Factor Value[Genotype]			
1	NA	NA	KO
2	NA	NA	KO
3	NA	NA	KO

4		NA	NA	KO		
5		NA	NA	KO		
6		NA	NA	KO		
7		NA	NA	WT		
8		NA	NA	WT		
9		NA	NA	WT		
10		NA	NA	WT		
11		NA	NA	WT		
12		NA	NA	WT		
	Term	Source	REF	Term	Accession	Number
1				NA		
2				NA		
3				NA		
4				NA		
5				NA		
6				NA		
7				NA		
8				NA		
9				NA		
10				NA		
11				NA		
12				NA		

Slot "assay.names":

\$a_metabolite.txt

MS Assay Name

1	lc-ms-1
2	lc-ms-2
3	lc-ms-3
4	lc-ms-4
5	lc-ms-5
6	lc-ms-6
7	lc-ms-7
8	lc-ms-8
9	lc-ms-9
10	lc-ms-10
11	lc-ms-11
12	lc-ms-12

Slot "assay.technology.types":

[1] "mass spectrometry"

Slot "assay.measurement.types":

[1] "metabolite profiling"

Slot "data.filenames":

\$a_metabolite.txt

Raw Spectral Data File Derived Spectral Data File

1	./cdf/KO/ko15.CDF	faahkoDSDF.txt
2	./cdf/KO/ko16.CDF	faahkoDSDF.txt
3	./cdf/KO/ko18.CDF	faahkoDSDF.txt

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4      ./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
5      ./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
6      ./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
7      ./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
8      ./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
9      ./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
10     ./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
11     ./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt
12     ./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF          faahkoDSDF.txt

Slot "samples":
[1] "K01" "K02" "K03" "K04" "K05" "K06" "WT1" "WT2" "WT3" "WT4" "WT5" "WT6"

Slot "samples.per.study":
$`Global metabolite profiling of faah(-/-) mice` 
[1] "K01" "K02" "K03" "K04" "K05" "K06" "WT1" "WT2" "WT3" "WT4" "WT5" "WT6"

Slot "samples.per.assay.filename":
$a_metabolite.txt
[1] "K01" "K02" "K03" "K04" "K05" "K06" "WT1" "WT2" "WT3" "WT4" "WT5" "WT6"

Slot "assay.filenames.per.sample":
[[1]]
[[1]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[2]]
[[2]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[3]]
[[3]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[4]]
[[4]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[5]]
[[5]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[6]]
[[6]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

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[[7]]
[[7]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[8]]
[[8]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[9]]
[[9]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[10]]
[[10]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[11]]
[[11]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

[[12]]
[[12]][[1]]
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

Slot "sample.to.rawdatafile":
[[1]]
  Sample Name Raw Spectral Data File
  1       K01    ./cdf/K0/ko15.CDF
  2       K02    ./cdf/K0/ko16.CDF
  3       K03    ./cdf/K0/ko18.CDF
  4       K04    ./cdf/K0/ko19.CDF
  5       K05    ./cdf/K0/ko21.CDF
  6       K06    ./cdf/K0/ko22.CDF
  7       WT1   ./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF
  8       WT2   ./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF
  9       WT3   ./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF
 10      WT4   ./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF
 11      WT5   ./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF
 12      WT6   ./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF

Slot "sample.to.assayname":
[[1]]
  Sample Name MS Assay Name
  1       K01    lc-ms-1
  2       K02    lc-ms-2

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3      K03      lc-ms-3
4      K04      lc-ms-4
5      K05      lc-ms-5
6      K06      lc-ms-6
7      WT1      lc-ms-7
8      WT2      lc-ms-8
9      WT3      lc-ms-9
10     WT4      lc-ms-10
11     WT5      lc-ms-11
12     WT6      lc-ms-12

Slot "rawdatafile.to.sample":
[[1]]
  Raw Spectral Data File Sample Name
1   ./cdf/KO/ko15.CDF      K01
2   ./cdf/KO/ko16.CDF      K02
3   ./cdf/KO/ko18.CDF      K03
4   ./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF      K04
5   ./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF      K05
6   ./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF      K06
7   ./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF      WT1
8   ./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF      WT2
9   ./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF      WT3
10  ./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF      WT4
11  ./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF      WT5
12  ./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF      WT6

Slot "assayname.to.sample":
[[1]]
  MS Assay Name Sample Name
1   lc-ms-1      K01
2   lc-ms-10     WT4
3   lc-ms-11     WT5
4   lc-ms-12     WT6
5   lc-ms-2      K02
6   lc-ms-3      K03
7   lc-ms-4      K04
8   lc-ms-5      K05
9   lc-ms-6      K06
10  lc-ms-7      WT1
11  lc-ms-8      WT2
12  lc-ms-9      WT3

Slot "factors":
[[1]]
[[1]]$`Factor Value[Genotype]`  

[1] KO KO KO KO KO KO WT WT WT WT WT WT  

Levels: KO WT

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Slot "treatments":
$`Factor Value[Genotype]`
[1] KO WT
Levels: KO WT

Slot "groups":
[[1]]
[[1]][[1]]
[1] "K01" "K02" "K03" "K04" "K05" "K06"

[[1]][[2]]
[1] "WT1" "WT2" "WT3" "WT4" "WT5" "WT6"

Slot "assay.tabs":
[[1]]
An object of class "MSAssayTab"
Slot "path":
[1] "/home/biocbuild/bbs-3.1-bioc/R/library/faahKO"

Slot "study.filename":
[1] "s_Proteomic profiling of yeast TFs.txt"

Slot "study.identifier":
[1] "Global metabolite profiling of faah(--) mice"

Slot "assay.filename":
[1] "a_metabolite.txt"

Slot "assay.file":
  Sample Name Protocol REF Extract Name Protocol REF Labeled Extract Name
  1      K01 extraction      K01 labeling      NA
  2      K02 extraction      K02 labeling      NA
  3      K03 extraction      K03 labeling      NA
  4      K04 extraction      K04 labeling      NA
  5      K05 extraction      K05 labeling      NA
  6      K06 extraction      K06 labeling      NA
  7      WT1 extraction      WT1 labeling      NA
  8      WT2 extraction      WT2 labeling      NA
  9      WT3 extraction      WT3 labeling      NA
 10     WT4 extraction      WT4 labeling      NA
 11     WT5 extraction      WT5 labeling      NA
 12     WT6 extraction      WT6 labeling      NA

  Label Term Source REF Term Accession Number      Protocol REF
  1   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  2   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  3   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  4   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  5   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  6   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  7   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry
  8   NA          NA          NA mass spectrometry

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9	NA	NA	NA mass spectrometry	
10	NA	NA	NA mass spectrometry	
11	NA	NA	NA mass spectrometry	
12	NA	NA	NA mass spectrometry	
	Parameter	Value[instrument]	Term	Source REF Term Accession Number
1	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
2	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
3	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
4	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
5	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
6	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
7	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
8	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
9	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
10	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
11	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
12	Agilent	1100 LC-MSD SL	NA	NA
	Parameter	Value[ion source]	Term	Source REF Term Accession Number
1	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
2	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
3	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
4	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
5	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
6	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
7	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
8	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
9	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
10	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
11	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
12	electrospray	ionization	MS	1000073
	Parameter	Value[detector]	Term	Source REF Term Accession Number
1		NA	NA	NA
2		NA	NA	NA
3		NA	NA	NA
4		NA	NA	NA
5		NA	NA	NA
6		NA	NA	NA
7		NA	NA	NA
8		NA	NA	NA
9		NA	NA	NA
10		NA	NA	NA
11		NA	NA	NA
12		NA	NA	NA
	Parameter	Value[ionization mode]	Term	Source REF Term Accession Number
1		positive mode	NA	NA
2		positive mode	NA	NA
3		positive mode	NA	NA
4		positive mode	NA	NA
5		positive mode	NA	NA
6		positive mode	NA	NA
7		positive mode	NA	NA
8		positive mode	NA	NA
9		positive mode	NA	NA
10		positive mode	NA	NA

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11           positive mode      NA      NA
12           positive mode      NA      NA
MS Assay Name Raw Spectral Data File Protocol REF Normalization Name
1   lc-ms-1    ./cdf/KO/ko15.CDF  NA      NA
2   lc-ms-2    ./cdf/KO/ko16.CDF  NA      NA
3   lc-ms-3    ./cdf/KO/ko18.CDF  NA      NA
4   lc-ms-4    ./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF  NA      NA
5   lc-ms-5    ./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF  NA      NA
6   lc-ms-6    ./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF  NA      NA
7   lc-ms-7    ./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF  NA      NA
8   lc-ms-8    ./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF  NA      NA
9   lc-ms-9    ./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF  NA      NA
10  lc-ms-10   ./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF  NA      NA
11  lc-ms-11   ./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF  NA      NA
12  lc-ms-12   ./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF  NA      NA
Data Transformation Name Derived Spectral Data File Factor Value[Genotype]
1       NA          NA          NA      KO
2       NA          NA          NA      KO
3       NA          NA          NA      KO
4       NA          NA          NA      KO
5       NA          NA          NA      KO
6       NA          NA          NA      KO
7       NA          NA          NA      WT
8       NA          NA          NA      WT
9       NA          NA          NA      WT
10      NA          NA          NA      WT
11      NA          NA          NA      WT
12      NA          NA          NA      WT
Term Source REF Term Accession Number
1       NA          NA          NA
2       NA          NA          NA
3       NA          NA          NA
4       NA          NA          NA
5       NA          NA          NA
6       NA          NA          NA
7       NA          NA          NA
8       NA          NA          NA
9       NA          NA          NA
10      NA          NA          NA
11      NA          NA          NA
12      NA          NA          NA

```

```

Slot "assay.technology.type":
[1] "mass spectrometry"

```

```

Slot "assay.measurement.type":
[1] "metabolite profiling"

```

```

Slot "assay.names":

```

	MS Assay Name
1	lc-ms-1
2	lc-ms-2
3	lc-ms-3
4	lc-ms-4

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5      lc-ms-5
6      lc-ms-6
7      lc-ms-7
8      lc-ms-8
9      lc-ms-9
10     lc-ms-10
11     lc-ms-11
12     lc-ms-12

Slot "data.filenames":
  Raw Spectral Data File Derived Spectral Data File
1      ./cdf/KO/ko15.CDF          NA
2      ./cdf/KO/ko16.CDF          NA
3      ./cdf/KO/ko18.CDF          NA
4      ./cdf/KO/ko19.CDF          NA
5      ./cdf/KO/ko21.CDF          NA
6      ./cdf/KO/ko22.CDF          NA
7      ./cdf/WT/wt15.CDF          NA
8      ./cdf/WT/wt16.CDF          NA
9      ./cdf/WT/wt18.CDF          NA
10     ./cdf/WT/wt19.CDF          NA
11     ./cdf/WT/wt21.CDF          NA
12     ./cdf/WT/wt22.CDF          NA

```

For an example for a real use case, please refer to <https://github.com/sneumann/mtbls2/>.

Writing ISA-Tab datasets

The Risa package offers functions to write the whole ISA-Tab dataset or part of it back to disk. These functions are `write.ISAtab`, `write.investigation.file`, `write.study.file`, `write.assay.file`.

So, after updating the assay file as indicated above, we can save it back to disk, using the following command:

```

> temp = tempdir()
> write.ISAtab(faahkoISA, temp)
> #write.assay.file(faahkoISA, assay.filename, temp)

```

Session Info

```
> toLatex(sessionInfo())
```

- R version 3.2.0 (2015-04-16), x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu
- Locale: LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8, LC_NUMERIC=C, LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8, LC_COLLATE=C, LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8, LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8, LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8, LC_NAME=C, LC_ADDRESS=C, LC_TELEPHONE=C, LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8, LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
- Base packages: base, datasets, grDevices, graphics, methods, parallel, stats, utils
- Other packages: Biobase 2.28.0, BiocGenerics 0.14.0, ProtGenerics 1.0.0, Rcpp 0.11.5, Risa 1.10.0, affy 1.46.0, biocViews 1.36.0, faahKO 1.7.1, mzR 2.2.0, xcms 1.44.0

- Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): BiocInstaller 1.18.1, RBGL 1.44.0, RCurl 1.95-4.5, RUnit 0.4.28, XML 3.98-1.1, affyio 1.36.0, bitops 1.0-6, codetools 0.2-11, evaluate 0.6, formatR 1.1, graph 1.46.0, knitr 1.9, preprocessCore 1.30.0, stats4 3.2.0, stringr 0.6.2, tools 3.2.0, zlibbioc 1.14.0

Further information

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