

# Intro to the *HumanAffyData* experimental data package

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## 1 Introduction

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*HumanAffyData* is a re-analysis of human gene expression data generated on the Affymetrix HG\_U133PlusV2 (EH176) and Affymetrix HG\_U133A (EH177) platforms, provide as *ExpressionSet* objects. The original data were normalized using robust multiarray averaging (RMA) to obtain an integrated gene expression atlas across diverse biological sample types and conditions. The entire compendia comprise 9395 arrays for EH176 and 5372 arrays for EH177. It is intended to be used as a starting point for gene co-expression analysis, or as a resource to quickly examine where a gene is expressed from within the R environment.

EH176: the original data were gathered by [1] and normalized using robust multiarray averaging (RMA). The *phenoData* of the *ExpressionSet* object contains the title and description of the source entries on GEO.

EH177: the original data were gathered by [2] and normalized using robust multiarray averaging (RMA). [2] manually curated the dataset to establish uniform phenotypic information for each sample, which is available in the *phenoData* of the *ExpressionSet* object. This data is accessible on ArrayExpress under accession [E-MTAB-62](#). The RMA-normalized expression values were then adjusted to reduce the influence of technical bias (i.e. variation in hybridization conditions or starting material) using the R package *bias 0.0.3* [3]. Finally, probesets were mapped to Entrez gene identifiers using the *Bioconductor* annotation package *hgu133a.db*, and values for probesets mapping to the same gene were averaged to produce a single expression measurement for each gene.

## 2 Dataset overview

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First, access the HumanAffyData from ExperimentHub:

```
> library(ExperimentHub)
> hub <- ExperimentHub()
> x <- query(hub, "HumanAffyData")
> x
```

ExperimentHub with 2 records  
# snapshotDate(): 2016-08-08  
# \$dataprovider: ArrayExpress, GEO

```
# $species: Homo sapiens
# $rdataclass: ExpressionSet
# additional mcols(): taxonomyid, genome, description, coordinate_1_based,
#   maintainer, rdatadateadded, preparerclass, tags, sourceurl, sourcetype
# retrieve records with, e.g., 'object[["EH176"]]'  
  

  title  

EH176 | GEO accession data GSE64985 as an ExpressionSet  

EH177 | ArrayExpress accession data E-MTAB-62 as an ExpressionSet
```

Data can then be extracted using:

```
> E.MTAB.62 <- x[["EH177"]]
```

This downloads the EH177 dataset, which contains an *ExpressionSet* object containing expression data from ArrayExpress accession E-MTAB-62:

```
> E.MTAB.62  
  

ExpressionSet (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 12496 features, 5372 samples
  element names: exprs
protocolData: none
phenoData
  sampleNames: GSM23227.CEL 1229968152.CEL ... 676426699.CEL (5372 total)
  varLabels: OperatorVariation DataSource ... ArrayDataFile (16 total)
  varMetadata: labelDescription
featureData: none
experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
Annotation: hgu133a
```

The experiment data can be extracted using the *exprs* function:

```
> data <- exprs(E.MTAB.62)
> dim(data)
[1] 12496 5372
> data[1:5,1:5]  
  

  GSM23227.CEL 1229968152.CEL GSM133626.CEL GSM47465.CEL GSM124909.CEL
5982    8.055513    7.431500    8.222138    7.757324    7.660949
3310    6.444028    6.639300    6.652987    6.716288    6.509133
7849    6.403596    6.447042    7.294512    6.506119    6.309392
2978    5.460372    5.363735    5.454068    5.496320    5.272762
7318    6.293562    7.422237    7.540636    7.433086    6.893468
```

This results in a matrix of expression data with the column names indicating the Array Data File name of each sample, and the rownames providing the human Entrez IDs of each gene.

Similarly, the phenotype data can be extracted using the *pData* function:

```
> pDat <- pData(E.MTAB.62)
> print(summary(pDat))  
  

  OperatorVariation      DataSource      Groups_4
Justin,,Lamb       : 324     GSE5258 : 324    cell line:1259
Milton,W,Taylor    : 308     GSE7123 : 308    disease   : 765
Roel,,Verhaak      : 284     GSE1159 : 284    neoplasm  :2315
Benjamin,,Haibe-Kains: 273     GSE4475 : 213    normal    :1033
Michael,,Hummel     : 213     E-AFMX-6: 195
```

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Angela,,Hodges      : 195    GSE2990 : 167
(Other)            :3775    (Other) :3881

Groups_15                                     Groups_369
solid tissue neoplasm cell line: 831    breast cancer          : 672
breast cancer           : 672    mononuclear cell infection : 314
leukemia                : 567    acute myeloid leukemia   : 295
normal solid tissue     : 566    B-cell lymphoma        : 213
normal blood             : 467    MCF7 breast epithelial adenocarcinoma: 213
blood non neoplastic disease : 388    mononuclear cell       : 143
(Other)                 :1881    (Other)                  :3522

BloodNonBloodmetagroups   Organism          OrganismPart
blood      :1922      Homo sapiens:5369    blood      :1089
non blood:3450      Mus musculus: 3    mammary gland:1033
                           bone marrow : 733
                           : 287
                           lung        : 286
                           brain       : 166
                           (Other)     :1778

CellType          CellLine
:3333            :4112
peripheral blood mononuclear cell: 452    mcf7      : 213
blast cell, mononuclear cell      : 284    cultured:  88
CD138+ plasma cell              : 142    pc3       : 64
Leukocyte          : 107    k562      : 48
lymphocyte         : 88     a549      : 30
(Other)            : 966    (Other)    : 817

DiseaseState    DevelopmentalStage      DiseaseStage
:1274            :4816                  :4236
breast cancer     : 686    adult     : 404    primary      : 500
acute myeloid leukemia : 322    embryo    : 110    aggressive   : 141
hepatitis c       : 192    fetus     : 42     grade 2     : 74
diffuse large B-cell lymphoma: 160          lymph node metastasis: 59
breast tumor      : 154          grade 1    : 39
(Other)           :2584          (Other)    : 323

Sex               Age          ArrayDataFile
:3037            :4681    1102960533.CEL: 1
female           :1016    10 days to 12 days: 23  1102960569.CEL: 1
hermaphrodite: 4  69          : 18    1102960602.CEL: 1
male              :1272    62          : 17    1102960632.CEL: 1
mixed sex         :  9    65          : 17    1102960664.CEL: 1
unknown sex       : 34    61          : 15    1102960695.CEL: 1
                           (Other)    : 601    (Other)    :5366

```

The pheontypic data contains several "meta groups", labed as "Groups\_4", "Groups\_15", and "Groups\_369". These are curated labels that group samples from a particular tissue, cell line, disease status, etc. The meta groups are explained further in [2]. [2] also discuss a "96 meta group" category, which is simply any members of the "369 meta groups" that contain at least 10 samples. The "96 meta groups" category can be re-created from the phenotypic data as follows:

```

> Groups_96 <- as.character(pDat$Groups_369)
> Groups_96[Groups_96 %in% names(which(table(pDat$Groups_96) < 10))] <- ''
> pDat$Groups_96 <- as.factor(Groups_96)

```

### 3 Citation

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```
> citation("HumanAffyData")
```

Please cite Engreitz, et al. (2010) for the EH176 dataset and Lukk, et al. (2010) for the EH177 dataset:

Engreitz JM, Daigle BJ Jr, Marshall JJ, Altman RB. Independent component analysis: mining microarray data for fundamental human gene expression modules. *J Biomed Inform* 2010, 43(6):932-44.

Lukk M, Kapushesky M, Nikkila J, Parkinson H, Goncalves A, Huber W, Ukkonen E, Brazma A. A global map of human gene expression. *Nat Biotechnol* 2010, 28(4):322-324.

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