

# Package ‘OncoScore’

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combine.query.results	<i>combine.query.results</i>
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Description

Merge a set of genes in a unique one in order to account for possible aliases

Usage

combine.query.results(query, genes, new.name)

Arguments

query	The result of perform.query, perform.query.timeseries of perform.query.from.region
genes	A list of genes to be merged
new.name	A string containing the new name to be used for the new genes

Value

The frequencies of the genes in the cancer related documents and in all the documents retireved on PubMed

Examples

```
data(query)
combine.query.results(query, c('IDH1', 'IDH2'), 'new_gene')
```

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combine.single.matrix	<i>combine.single.matrix</i>
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Description

Perform merge procedure on a matrix

Usage

```
combine.single.matrix(query, genes, new.name)
```

Arguments

query	The result of perform.query, perform.query.timeseries of perform.query.from.region
genes	A list of genes to be merged
new.name	A string containing the new name to be used for the new genes

Value

a merged matrix

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compute.frequencies.scores	<i>compute.frequencies.scores</i>
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Description

compute the logarithmic scores based on the frequencies of the genes

Usage

```
compute.frequencies.scores(data, filter.threshold = 1, analysis.mode = "Log2")
```

Arguments

data	input data as result of the function perform.query
filter.threshold	threshold to filter for a minimum number of citations for the genes
analysis.mode	logarithmic scores to be computed, i.e., log10, log2, natural log or log5

Value

the computed scores

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compute.oncoscore	<i>compute.oncoscore</i>
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## Description

compute the OncoScore for a list of genes

## Usage

```
compute.oncoscore(  
  data,  
  filter.threshold = 0,  
  analysis.mode = "Log2",  
  cutoff.threshold = 21.09,  
  file = NULL,  
  filter.invalid = TRUE  
)
```

## Arguments

data	input data as result of the function perform.query
filter.threshold	threshold to filter for a minimum number of citations for the genes
analysis.mode	logarithmic scores to be computed, i.e., log10, log2, natural log or log5
cutoff.threshold	threshold to be used to asses the oncogenes
file	should I save the results to text files?
filter.invalid	auto-remove genes with invalid count

## Value

the computed OncoScores and the clusters for the genes

## Examples

```
data(query)  
compute.oncoscore(query)
```

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```
compute.oncoscore.from.region  
compute.oncoscore.from.region
```

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## Description

Perform OncoScore analysis on a given chromosomal region

## Usage

```
compute.oncoscore.from.region(  
  chromosome,  
  start = NA,  
  end = NA,  
  gene.num.limit = 100,  
  filter.threshold = NA,  
  analysis.mode = "Log2",  
  cutoff.threshold = 21.09,  
  file = NULL  
)
```

## Arguments

chromosome	chromosome to be retrieved
start	initial position to be used
end	final position to be used
gene.num.limit	A limit to the genes to be considered in the analysis; this is done to limit the number of queries to PubMed
filter.threshold	threshold to filter for a minimum number of citations for the genes
analysis.mode	logarithmic scores to be computed, i.e., log10, log2, natural log or log5
cutoff.threshold	threshold to be used to assess the oncogenes
file	should I save the results to text files?

## Value

the computed scores

## Examples

```
chromosome = 15  
start = 200000  
end = 300000
```

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```
compute.oncoscore.timeseries  
    compute.oncoscore.timeseries
```

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## Description

perform the OncoScore time series analysis for a list of genes and data times

## Usage

```
compute.oncoscore.timeseries(  
  data,  
  filter.threshold = 0,  
  analysis.mode = "Log2",  
  cutoff.threshold = 21.09,  
  file = NULL  
)
```

## Arguments

data	input data as result of the function perform.query.timeseries
filter.threshold	threshold to filter for a minimum number of citations for the genes
analysis.mode	logarithmic scores to be computed, i.e., log10, log2, natural log or log5
cutoff.threshold	threshold to be used to asses the oncogenes
file	should I save the results to text files?

## Value

the performed OncoScores time series analysis

## Examples

```
data(query.timepoints)  
compute.oncoscore.timeseries(query.timepoints)
```

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estimate.oncogenes	<i>estimate.oncogenes</i>
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**Description**

estimate the oncoscore for the genes

**Usage**

```
estimate.oncogenes(data, cutoff.threshold = 21.09)
```

**Arguments**

data	input data as result of the function compute.frequencies.scores
cutoff.threshold	threshold to be used to asses the oncogenes

**Value**

the computed scores and oncogenes

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genes	<i>A list of genes</i>
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**Description**

This dataset contains a list of genes to be used in the analysis as an example

**Usage**

```
data(genes)
```

**Format**

rdata

**Value**

list of 5 elements

**Source**

example data

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```
get.genes.from.biomart  
get.genes.from.biomart
```

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**Description**

Get a gene list from biomart

**Usage**

```
get.genes.from.biomart(chromosome, start = NA, end = NA)
```

**Arguments**

chromosome	chromosome to be retrieved
start	initial position to be used
end	final position to be used

**Value**

A list of genes

**Examples**

```
chromosome = 15  
start = 200000  
end = 300000
```

---

```
get.list.from.xml    get.list.from.xml
```

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**Description**

process the result of the query

**Usage**

```
get.list.from.xml(webget)
```

**Arguments**

webget	The result from the query to PubMed
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**Value**

Processed result obtained from the query to PubMed



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```
get.pubmed.driver.analysis
      get.pubmed.driver.analysis
```

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**Description**

query PubMed for a list of genes

**Usage**

```
get.pubmed.driver.analysis(keywords, gene)
```

**Arguments**

keywords	The set of keywords to be used for the query to PubMed
gene	The name of a gene to be used for the query to PubMed

**Value**

The frequency for the current gene retrieved with the query on the provided set of keywords

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```
perform.query      perform.query
```

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**Description**

perform the query to PubMed

**Usage**

```
perform.query(list.of.genes, gene.num.limit = 100, custom.search = NA)
```

**Arguments**

list.of.genes	The list of genes to be used in the queries to PubMed
gene.num.limit	A limit to the genes to be considered in the analysis; this is done to limit the number of queries to PubMed
custom.search	A custom set of keywords to be used when querying PubMed

**Value**

The frequencies of the genes in the cancer related documents and in all the documents retrieved on PubMed

**Examples**

```
data(genes)
```

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```
perform.query.from.region  
perform.query.from.region
```

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**Description**

Perform the query to PubMed on a given chromosomal region

**Usage**

```
perform.query.from.region(  
  chromosome,  
  start = NA,  
  end = NA,  
  gene.num.limit = 100  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>chromosome</code>	chromosome to be retrieved
<code>start</code>	initial position to be used
<code>end</code>	final position to be used
<code>gene.num.limit</code>	A limit to the genes to be considered in the analysis; this is done to limit the number of queries to PubMed

**Value**

The frequencies of the genes in the cancer related documents and in all the documents retrieved on PubMed

**Examples**

```
chromosome = 15  
start = 200000  
end = 300000
```

---

```
perform.query.timeseries  
    perform.query.timeseries
```

---

## Description

perform the query to PubMed for the time series analysis

## Usage

```
perform.query.timeseries(  
  list.of.genes,  
  list.of.datatimes,  
  gene.num.limit = 100,  
  timepoints.limit = 10,  
  custom.search = NA  
)
```

## Arguments

`list.of.genes` The list of genes to be used in the queries to PubMed

`list.of.datatimes`  
The list of time points to be used in the queries to PubMed

`gene.num.limit` A limit to the genes to be considered in the analysis; this is done to limit the number of queries to PubMed

`timepoints.limit`  
A limit to the time points to be considered in the analysis; this is done to limit the number of queries to PubMed

`custom.search` A custom set of keywords to be used when querying PubMed

## Value

The frequencies of the genes in the cancer related documents and in all the documents retrieved on PubMed at the specified time points

## Examples

```
data(genes)  
data(timepoints)
```

plot.oncoscore

*plot.oncoscore*

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**Description**

plot the OncoScore for a list of genes

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'oncoscore'
plot(
  x,
  gene.number = 5,
  main = "OncoScore",
  xlab = "score",
  ylab = "genes",
  file = NA,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	input data as result of the function compute.OncoScore
gene.number	number of genes to print
main	the title
xlab	description of x asix (default score)
ylab	description of y asix (default genes)
file	where to save the plot
...	additional parameter to pass to the barplot function

**Value**

A plot

**Examples**

```
data(query)
result = compute.oncoscore(query)
plot.oncoscore(result)
```

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```
plot.oncoscore.timeseries  
    plot.oncoscore.timeseries
```

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## Description

plot the OncoScore for a list of genes

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'oncoscore.timeseries'  
plot(  
  x,  
  gene.number = 5,  
  incremental = FALSE,  
  relative = FALSE,  
  main = "OncoScore",  
  xlab = "timepoints",  
  ylab = "score",  
  legend.pos = "top",  
  file = NA,  
  ...  
)
```

## Arguments

x	input data as result of the function compute.OncoScore
gene.number	number of genes to print
incremental	display the OncoScore increment
relative	display the incrementa as relative value
main	the title
xlab	description of x asix (default score)
ylab	description of y asix (default genes)
legend.pos	Position of the legend
file	where to save the plot
...	additional parameter to pass to the lines function

## Value

A plot

Examples

```
data(query.timepoints)
result = compute.oncoscore.timeseries(query.timepoints)
plot.oncoscore.timeseries(result)
```

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query	<i>The result of perform.web.query on genes</i>
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Description

This dataset contains the result of perform.web.query on genes

Usage

```
data(query)
```

Format

rdata

Value

matrix 5 x 2

Source

example data

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query.timepoints	<i>The result of perform.time.series.query on genes and timepoints</i>
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Description

This dataset contains the result of perform.time.series.query on genes and timepoints

Usage

```
data(query.timepoints)
```

Format

rdata

Value

list of 5 matrix 5 x 2

**Source**

example data

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timepoints	<i>A list of timepoints</i>
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**Description**

This dataset contains a list of time points to be used in the analysis as an example

**Usage**

```
data(timepoints)
```

**Format**

rdata

**Value**

list of 5 elements

**Source**

example data

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try.scan	<i>try.scan</i>
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**Description**

try to query the given URL

**Usage**

```
try.scan(getURL)
```

**Arguments**

getURL	The given URL
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**Value**

Result obtained from PubMed

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