MetaboAnalyst 5.0

A Web-based Tool for streamlined metabolomics data analysis

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2. Functional Analysis

The Functional Analysis module of MetaboAnalyst has undergone several major updates since it's introduction in Version 4. First, it includes a modified Gene Set Enrichment Analysis method, which considers the overall ranks of uploaded peaks and is capable of detecting more subtle and consistent changes than the original mummichog algorithm (Li et al. 2013). Second, it supports the inclusion of retention time when performing functional analysis to increase the confidence and robustness of putative compound annotation. Finally, MetaboAnalyst 5.0 has included an interactive heatmap visualization of a user's peak intensity table to help users perform functional interpretation of manually identified patterns of interest.

Other Highlights:

- Users can upload either a peak intensity table (generic or MZMine) or peak list.
- Heatmap based pattern specific functional analysis is available.
- Added support for pathway analysis of 26 organisms including human, mouse, zebrafish, C. elegans, among other species.
- Added ~9, 000 metabolite sets (e.g. Disease-associated sets, chemical classes) to be used for functional interpretation.

2.0 Knowledge & Background

- Mass spectrometry based untargeted metabolomics traditionally require metabolites to be identified before any biological meaning can be drawn from the data. Metabolite identification is a challenging and low throughput process, therefore becomes the bottleneck of the filed. Li et al. report here a novel approach to predict biological activity directly from mass spectrometry data without a priori identification of metabolites by unifying network analysis and metabolite prediction under the same computational framework. (version 1)
- The algorithm has been further enhanced to version 2 by considering the retention time information for more accuracy by
 introducing empirical compounds. Empirical Compounds are intermediaries between m/z features and compounds. The steps for
 how they are formed are as follows:

First, all m/z features are matched to potential compounds considering different adducts. Then, per compound, all matching m/z features are split into Empirical Compounds based on whether they match within an expected retention time window. The retention time window (in seconds) is calculated as the maximum retention time * 0.02. This results in the initial Empirical Compounds list.

Next, Empirical Compounds are merged if they have the same m/z, matched form/ion, and retention time. This results in the merged Empirical Compounds list.

Then, if primary ions are enforced, only Empirical Compounds containing at least 1 primary ion are kept. Primary ions considered are 'M+H[1+]', 'M+Na[1+]', 'M-H2O+H[1+]', 'M-H[1-]', 'M-H[-]', 'M-2H[2-]', 'M-H2O-H[-]', 'M+H [1+]', 'M+Na [1+]', 'M-H2O+H [1+]', 'M-H [1-]', 'M-2H [2-]', and 'M-H2O-H [1-]'. This results in the final Empirical Compounds list.

Finally, pathway libraries are converted from "Compound" space to "Empirical Compound" space. This is done by converting all compounds in each pathway to all Empirical Compound matches. Then the mummichog/GSEA algorithms work as before to calculate pathway enrichment.

2.1 Start Functional Analysis



About

MetaboAnalyst 5.0 - user-friendly, streamlined metabolomics data analysis

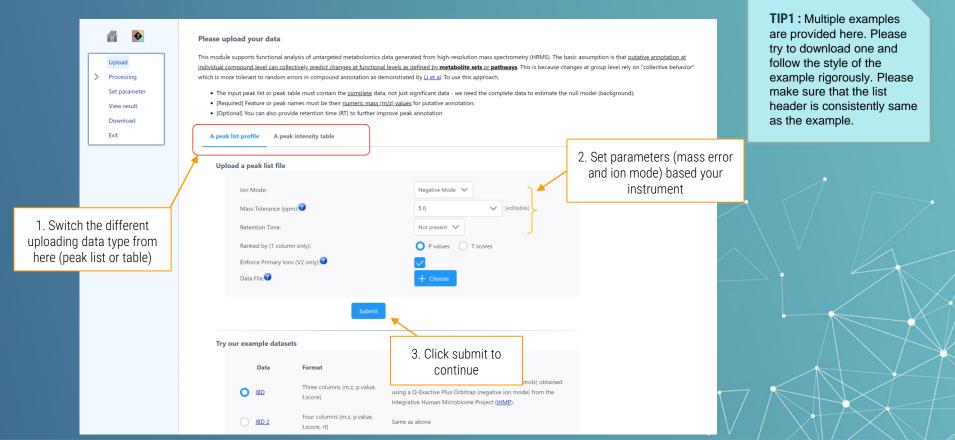
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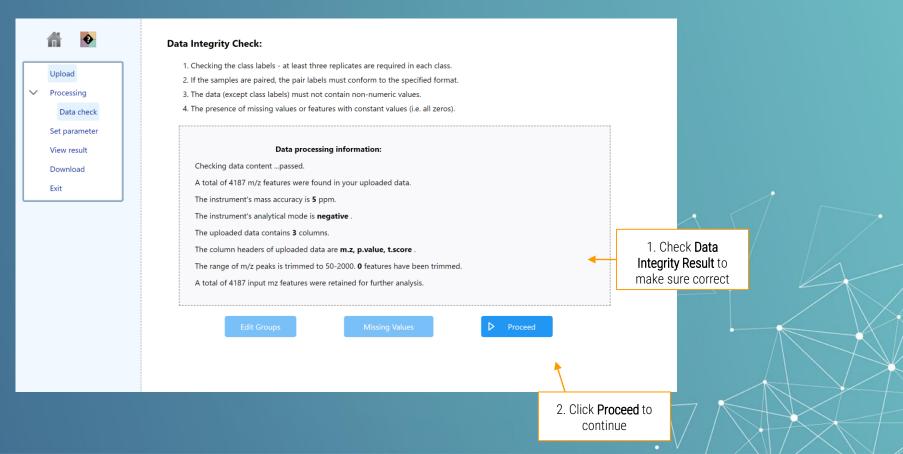
From peak list to pathways



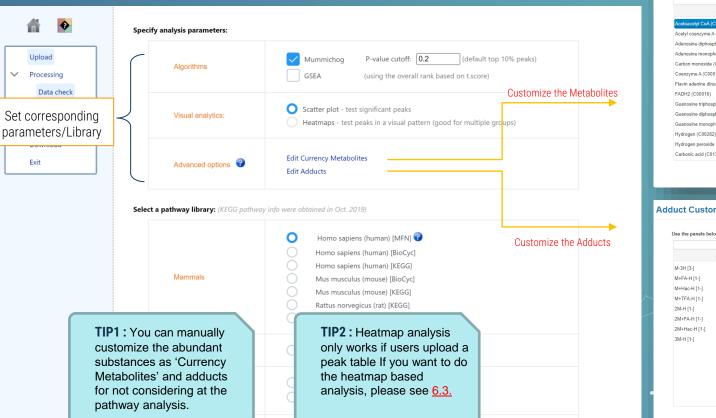
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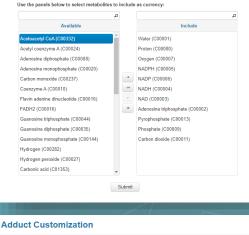
2.2.2 Data Integrity Check



2.2.3 Set Parameters



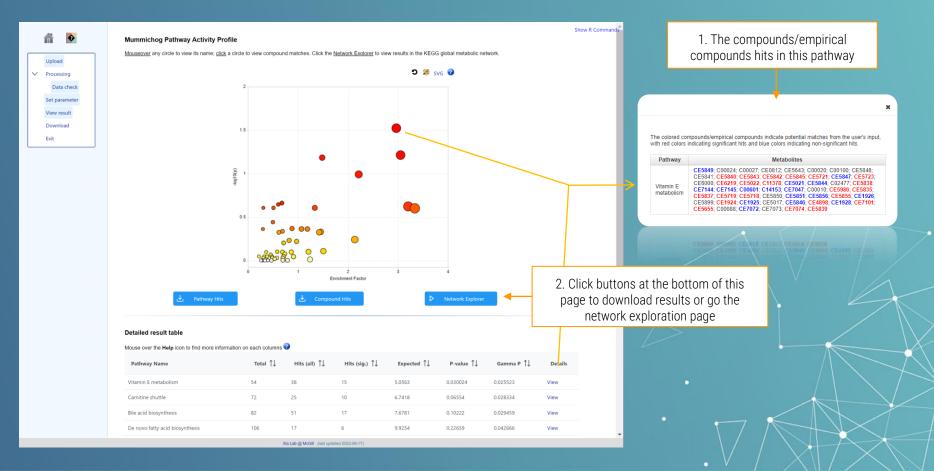
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Use the panels below to select adducts to consider: Available Include M-H [1-] M-2H [2-] M-H2O-H [1-] M-H+O [1-] M+K-2H [1-] * M+Na-2H [1-] M+CI [1-] + M+Cl37 [1-] M+Br [1-] M+Br81 [1-] M+ACN-H [1-] M+HCOO [1-] M+CH3COO [1-] M(C13)-H [1-]

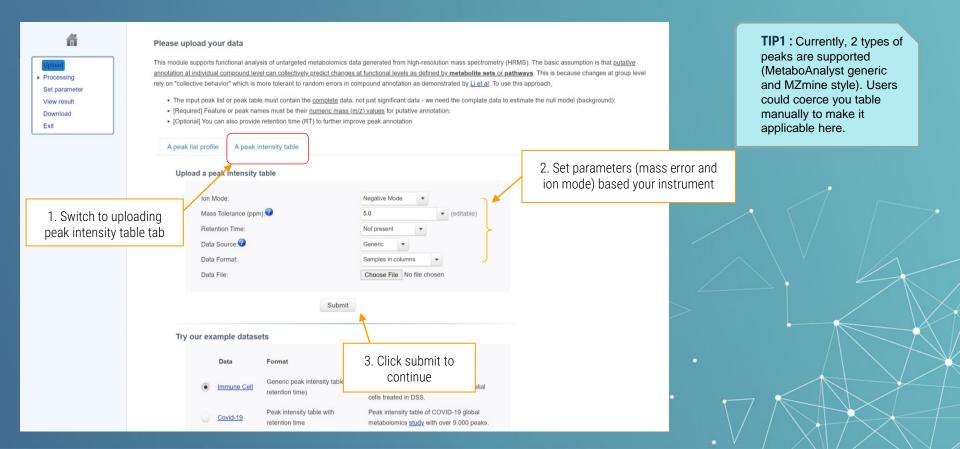
2.2.4 Pathway analysis results



2.3 Starting from a table



2.3.1 Peak uploading – peak table



2.3.2 Peak uploading – Preprocessing

Data Integrity Check:

1. Checking the class labels - at least three replicates are required in each class.

- 2. If the samples are paired, the pair labels must conform to the specified format.
- 3. The data (except class labels) must not contain non-numeric values.
- 4. The presence of missing values or features with constant values (i.e. all zeros).

Data processing information:



1. Perform Data

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→ Proceed

Data Filtering:

The purpose of the data filtering is to identify and remove variables that are unlikely to be of use when modeling the data. No phenotype information are used in the filtering process, so the result can be used with any downshipment analysis. This tips is strongy recommended to untargeted metabolismic datasets (ii is special binning data, peak table) with arge number of variables, many of them and hom baseline more particle process the many data filtering and the data.

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| Please note, in order to reduce the computational burden to the server. The None option is only for less fluen 5000 features. The maximum aboved number of variables a 5000 1 antibias, the maximum ber is 2000 to improve power and to control computing time. Over that, the IGR filter will still be applied to teep only top maximum features, even if you ch option. |
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| Filtering features if their RSDs are > 25 % in QC samples None (less than 5000 features) Standard deviation (RSD) Standard deviation (RSD) Relative standard deviation (RSD + SD/mean) None parametric relative standard deviation (RAD)median) Maan Internal value |
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2. Perform Data Filtering

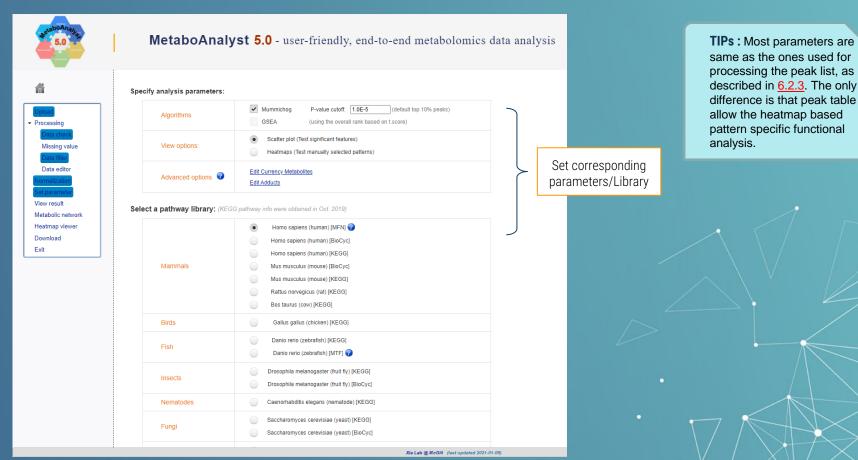
Normalization overview:

The normalization proceduses are grouped into three categories. The sample normalization allows general-purpose adjustment for differences among your sample, data transformation and scaling are the oldfinent approaches to make individual features more comparable. You can use one or combine them to achieve better results.

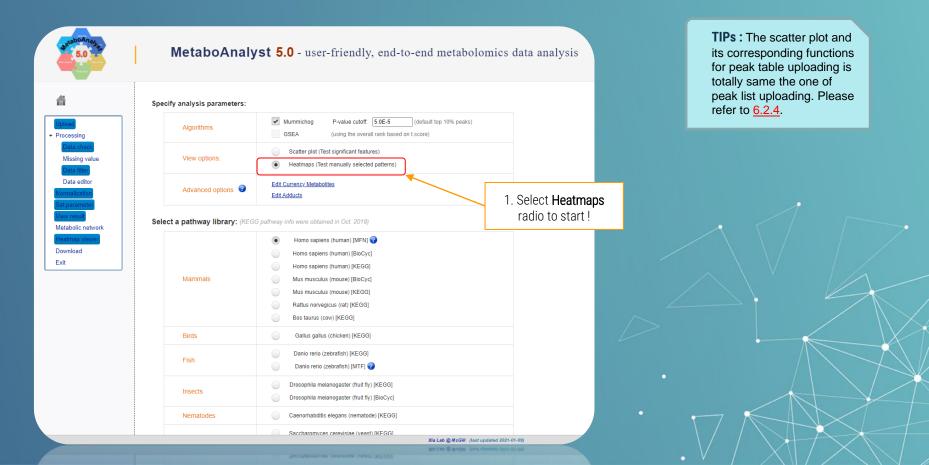
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| Normalization by sum | Normalization by sum | | | | | | |
| Normalization by median | | | | | | | |
| Normalization by reference sample (PQN) | Specify | | | | | | |
| Normalization by a pooled sample from group | Specify | | | | | | |
| Normalization by reference feature | Specify | | | | | | |
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| Data transformation | | | | | | | |
| None | | | | | | | |
| Log transformation (generalized logarithm | transformation or glog) | | | | | | |
| Cube root transformation (takes the cube root of | f data values) | | | | | | |
| Data scaling | | | | | | | |
| None | | | | | | | |
| Mean centering (mean-centered only) | | | | | | | |
| Auto scaling (mean-centered and divided by the standard deviation of each variable) | | | | | | | |
| Pareto scaling (mean-centered and divided by the square root of the standard deviation of each variable) | | | | | | | |
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3. Perform Data Normalization

2.3.3 Set parameters



2.3.4 Heatmap based pattern specific analysis

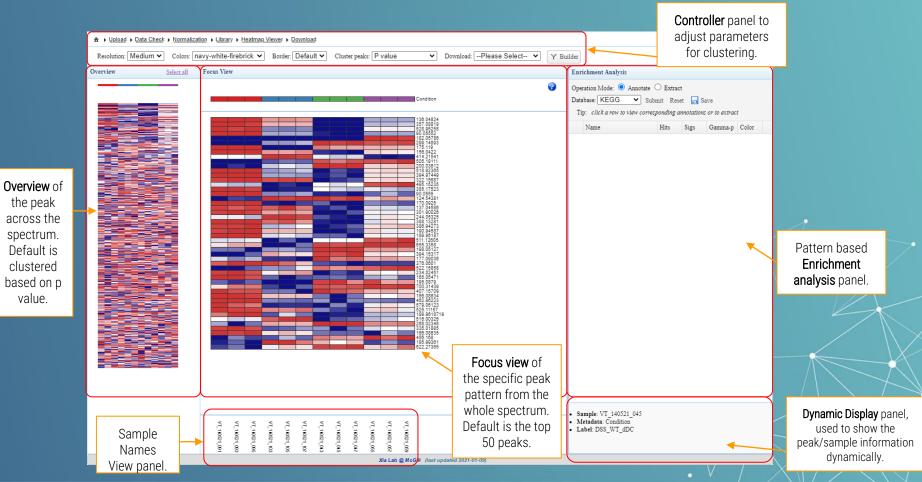


2.3.5 Heatmap based pattern specific analysis - result

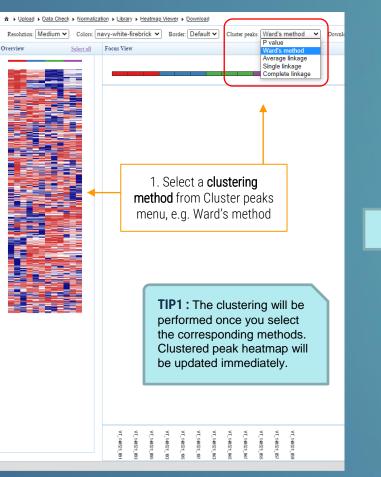
This section maybe too complicated to easily understand/follow for beginners, why not watch a video first?

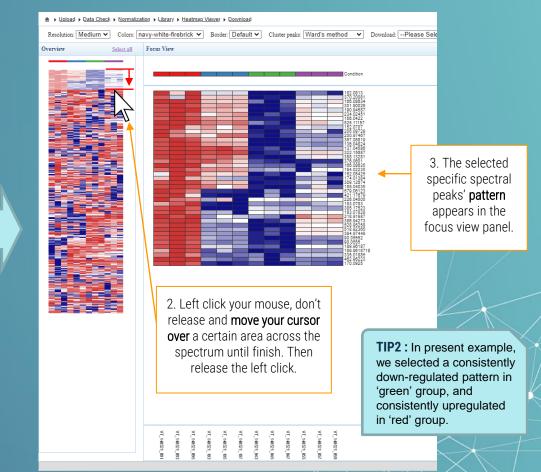
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2.3.6 Heatmap interface introduction



2.3.7 Heatmap peak clustering





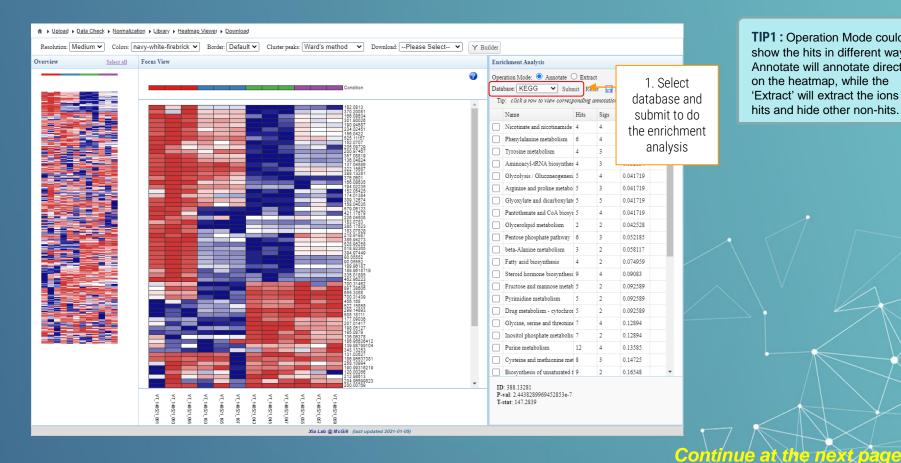
2.3.7 Peak patterns' stitch -1



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2.3.8 Enrichment Analysis -1

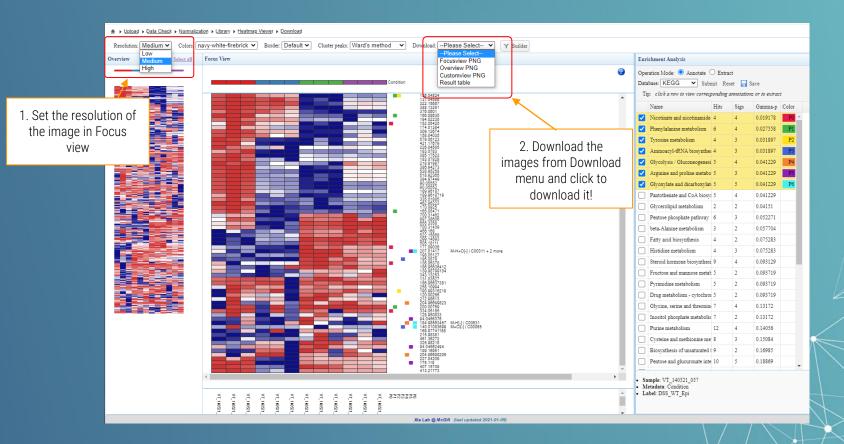


TIP1: Operation Mode could show the hits in different way. Annotate will annotate directly on the heatmap, while the 'Extract' will extract the ions hits and hide other non-hits.

2.3.8 Enrichment Analysis -2

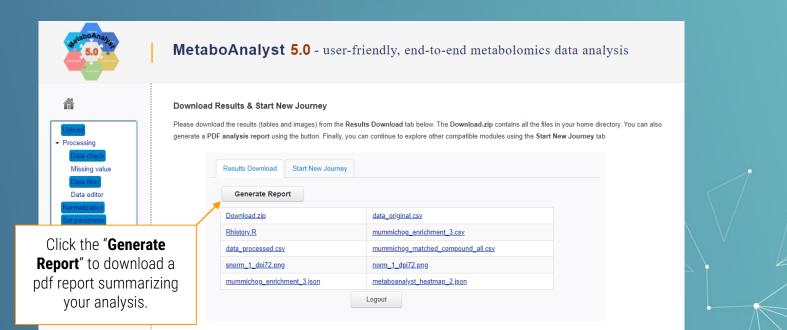


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