Standards for omics data – A personal overview

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Overview

- A couple of slides about the need of data standards
- Proteomics data standards as an example: The Proteomics Standards Initiative and ProteomeXchange

- DNA/RNA Sequencing standards: Introduction to GAG4H standards
- Data integration using data standards



Data standards are needed

Standards are needed in everyday life: also in bioinformatics...



With a small number of standards, converters are feasible









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The typical dilemma



•Data standards **need to be stable** to promote adoption

•Very often data standards for omics data need to evolve very rapidly:

- Data is inherently very complex
- Experimental techniques are evolving all the time



Data standards in biology and biotechnology



Source: Susanna-Assunta Sansone (University of Oxford, UK)



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One slide intro to MS based proteomics









Hein et al., Handbook of Systems Biology, 2012

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HUPO Proteomics Standards Initiative

- •Develops data standards for proteomics.
- •Both data representation and annotation standards.
- Involves data producers, database providers, software producers, publishers, everyone who wants to be involved...
- •Active Workgroups: MI, MS, PI, Mod and the new QC.
- •Inter-group activities: MIAPE and Controlled Vocabularies.
- •Started in 2002, so some experience already...
- •One annual meeting in March-April, regular phone calls.
- •Close interaction with the metabolomics community (MSI).





http://www.psidev.info



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Deutsch et al., JPR, 2017

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Current PSI Standard File Formats for MS

MS data	• mzML
Identification	 mzldentML
Quantitation	 mzQuantML
Final Results	• mzTab
SRM	• TraML



Data formats for mass spectra data



An example of success story: mzML

- A data format for the storage and exchange of MS output files
 - Designed by merging the best aspects of both mzData and mzXML
 - Developed with full participation of academic researchers, hardware and software vendors
 - Expected to replace mzXML and mzData, but not expected to completely replace vendor binary formats
 - Captures spectra (raw data or peak lists), chromatograms and related metadata
 - Version 1.0 released in June 2008, v1.1 released in June 2009
 - Many implementations already exist
 - Version 1.2 with enhanced compression considered for the near future.
 - Also used for **MS metabolomics data**.

Martens et al., MCP, 2011



An example of success story: mzML

Product	Source	Contact	Support comments
ProteoWizard	USC	Parag Mallick	Full mzML support today
ТРР	ISB	Eric Deutsch	Full mzML support today (including embedded X!Tandem)
Insilicos Viewer	Insilicos	Erik Nilsson	Full mzML support today
X!Tandem	GPM	Ron Beavis	Full mzML support today
Myrimatch	Vanderbilt	Matt Chambers	Full mzML support today
InSilicoSpectro	SIB	Alex Masselot	Full mzML support today
Proteios SE	Univ Lund	Fredrik Levander	Full mzML support today
NCBI C++ toolkit	NCBI	Douglas Slotta	available in next release
OpenMS/TOPP	Univ Tübingen	Marc Sturm	Full mzML support today

http://www.psidev.info/mzml_1_0_0

The most popular search engines support mzML

Many parser libraries available

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nzR		of the PSI-MS mzML specification v1.1		



Conversion from raw files into mzML and other formats

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mzIdentML -> Data standard for peptide and protein IDs

- XML-based data standard for peptide and protein identifications e.g. following database search and protein inference
- Sections for all PSMs, proteins/protein groups, protocols/parameters etc.
- Timeline:
 - Original 1.0 version in Aug 2009
 - Version 1.1 stable (Aug 2011); Original manuscript published in MCP in 2012*
 - Well supported in lots of open source and commercial software
 - Fully supported by ProteomeXchange resources
 - 2012 onwards (mzldentML 1.2): extended use cases
 - Better support for protein grouping. 2017 mzldentML 1.2 release; manuscript published at MCP**

** Vizcaíno, J. A., Mayer G., Perkins S., Barsnes H., *et al.*, The mzIdentML Data Standard Version 1.2, Supporting advances in Proteome Informatics. *Molecular & Cellular Proteomics* 2017, *16*, 1275-1285.



^{*} Jones, A. R., Eisenacher, M., Mayer, G., Kohlbacher, O., et al., The mzldentML data standard for mass spectrometry-based proteomics results. *Molecular & Cellular Proteomics* 2012, *11*, M111.014381.



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mzTab – Aims and concept

- To provide a simple and efficient way of exchanging results from MS approaches.
 - Simpler summary report of the experimental results
 - Peptides and proteins identified in a given experimental setting
 - Small molecules identified
 - Reported quantification values
 - Technical and biological metadata
- Easier to parse and use by the research community, systems biologists as well as providers of knowledge bases.
- It can be used by non-experts in bioinformatics.
- It does not aim to replace mzIdentMI and mzQuantML



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mzTab - Sections

Metadata	Basic information about experiment and sampleKey-Value pairs
Protein	Basic information about protein identificationsTable-based
Peptide	Information about quantified peptidesTable-based
PSM	Information about identified spectraTable-based
Small Molecule	Basic information about identified small moleculesTable-based

Griss et al., MCP, 2014



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Metadata section - Example

MTD	mzTab-version	1.0
MTD	mzTab-mode	Complete
MTD	mzTab-type	Identification
MTD	mzTab-ID	PRIDE assay metadata example
MTD	title	COFRADIC N-terminal proteome of unstimulated human
MTD	instrument[1]-name	[PRIDE, PRIDE:0000131, Instrument model, Micromass
MTD	instrument[1]-source	[MS, MS:1000008, Ionization Type, ESI]
MTD	instrument[1]-analyzer	[MS, MS:1000010, Analyzer Type, Quadrupole-TOF]
MTD	instrument[1]-detector	[MS, MS:1000026, Detector Type, MultiChannelPlate]
MTD	software[1]	[MS, MS:1001456, analysis software, MassLynx v3.5]
MTD	protein_search_engine_score	<pre>[1][MS, MS:1002367, probability for proteins,]</pre>
MTD	publication[1]	pubmed:16038019/pubmed:12665801/pubmed:16518876
MTD	contact[1]-name	Kristian Flikka
MTD	contact[1]-affiliation	Computational Biology Unit, University of Bergen
MTD	contact[1]-email	flikka@ii.uib.no
MTD	ms run[1]-format	[MS, MS:1000564, PSI mzData file,]
MTD	ms_run[1]-location	
	ftp://ftp.ebi.ac.uk/pub/data	abases/pride/PRIDE_Exp_Complete_Ac_1643.xml



And also... protein-protein interactions



A. Regular transcription of the reporter gene



B. One fusion protein only (Gal4-BD + Bait) - no transcription

PSI-XML: XML-based format



C. One fusion protein only (Gal4-AD + Prey) - no transcription

MITAB: tab-delimited format



D. Two fusion proteins with interacting Bait and Prey





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PSI MS Controlled Vocabulary



>3,000 terms

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The Ontology Lookup Service (OLS)

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Welcome to the EMBL-EBI Ontology Lookup Service.

Search OLS ...

Examples: diabetes, GO:0098743

Looking for a particular ontology?

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About OLS

The Ontology Lookup Service (OLS) is a repository for biomedical ontologies that aims to provide a single point of access to the latest ontology versions. You can browse the ontologies through the website as well as programmatically via the OLS API. OLS is developed and maintained by the Samples, Phenotypes and Ontologies Team (SPOT) at EMBL-EBI.

Related Tools

In addition to OLS the SPOT team also provides the OxO, Zooma and Webulous services. OxO provides cross-ontology mappings between terms from different ontologies. Zooma is a service to assist in mapping data to ontologies in OLS and Webulous is a tool for building ontologies from spreadsheets.

Contact Us

For feedback, enquiries or suggestion about OLS or to request a new ontology please contact ols-support @ ebi.ac.uk. For bugs or problems with the code or API please report on <u>GitHub issue</u> For announcements relating to OLS, such as new releases and new features sign up to the <u>OLS announce mailing</u> list

http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ontology-lookup/

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The PRIDE database





PRIDE is the world-leading resource storing mass spectrometry-based

proteomics datasets:

- Mass spectra (raw data, peak lists), peptide and protein expression data
- All proteomics approaches are supported
- >17,000 datasets (June 2020).

http://www.ebi.ac.uk/pride/archive/

ELIXIR Core data resource and data deposition database



ProteomeXchange: A global, distributed proteomics infrastructure Implements standard data submission and data dissemination practises between the main proteomics repositories



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Dataset submissions keep increasing in number and volume



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Importance of making software available

PSI promotes implementations. The reference libraries are always open source and can be used by anyone!

jmzML (https://github.com/PRIDE-Utilities/jmzml)
jmzIdentML (https://github.com/PRIDE-Utilities/jmzidentML)
jmzReader (https://github.com/PRIDE-Utilities/jmzReader)
jmzQuantML (https://github.com/UKQIDA/jmzquantml)
jmzTab (https://github.com/PRIDE-Utilities/jmzTab)
ms-data-core-api (https://github.com/PRIDE-Utilities/ms-data-core-api)

Cote et al., Proteomics, 2009

Reisinger et al., Proteomics, 2012

Griss et al., Proteomics, 2012

Qi et al., Proteomics, 2014

Xu et al., Proteomics, 2014

Perez-Riverol et al., Bioinformatics, 2015



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LAUNCH of GA4GH in 2013

The Global Alliance for Genomics and Health aims to accelerate progress in genomic science and human health by developing standards and framing policy for responsible genomic and health-related data sharing.






Create unified data discovery platform for genomic and clinical data

Approved and available for implementation

- Beacon API V1: discovery of variant information by remote researcher
- Service Info/Registry API: will allow for dynamic registration and on-demand discovery of online GA4GH APIs (data, tools, services) to enable their real time discovery and use.

In development

 Search API: specification for query language across genomic, phenotypic, and clinical data





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Large Scale Genomics Work Stream



Standardize methods for accessing large-scale genomic data

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- htsget Streaming API V1: secure standard interface for slicing and streaming sequencing data that decouples the assumption of a file at the remote location
- refget API V1: framework to retrieve 'reference sequences' by a unique checksum
- CRAM V3, SAM V1, & BAM V1: standard file formats for storing read data
- VCF V4 & BCF V2: standard format to represent genomic variation
- **Crypt4GH:** An encrypted container file format suitable for genomic data

In development

• **rnaget API:** request a URL for a required RNASeq Expression Matrix





Example Users

htsget is a genomic data retrieval specification that allows users to download read data for subsections of the genome in which they are interested.

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The GA4GH refget API enables access to reference genomic sequences using a checksum identifier based on the sequence content itself.

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CRAM



CRAM is a file format for storing compressed genomic data. To make files small and efficient, the algorithm compresses information by only storing the parts that are different from the reference human genome.



CRAM compresses data by only



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CRAM is supported by the following libraries and tools:

- Software Libraries: htslib | htsjdk | PySam | Bio::DB::HTS | RustBio
- Tools: Samtools | GATK | Picard | IGV | Crumble
- **Data Archives:** European Nucleotide Archive (ENA) | European Genomephenome Archive (EGA)
- Genome Browsers: ENSEMBL | JBrowse | UCSC Genome Browser







Crypt4GH is a random-access encrypted file container format for securely sharing largescale genomic data

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The Variant Call Format (VCF) specifies the format of a text file used in bioinformatics for storing gene sequence variations. The Binary Call Format (BCF) is the Binary equivalent, smaller and more efficient to process.

Software Libraries: htslib | htsjdk

Tools: Samtools | BCFtools

Databases: European Variation Archive (EVA) | dbGAP | dbSNP | 1000 Genomes Projects / IGSR

Genome Browsers: ENSEMBL | JBrowse | UCSC Genome Browser









RNAget API enables search and retrieval of RNA data at scale.

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Example Users

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Create standards-based components for exchange of genomic

Approved and available for implementation

• Variant Representation: an extensible data model and message schema specification for the representation of variants

In development

• Variant Annotation: Data Model: guide the linkage of annotations and structured clinical interpretations to variant data



Variation Representation V1



Translocation

head: Location

+ join_type: Enum

- tail: Location

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Genotype

haplotypes: Haplotype[]

+ completeness: enum

Variation «abstract»

Haplotype

+ completeness: enum

+ location: Location

alleles: Allele[]

+ type: str + id: str

Allele

+ location: Location

state: State

The Variant Representation Specification is a standard way of exchanging genetic variation data with precision and consistency

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Text

- definition: str



Bring algorithms to the data' by creating standards for portable

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- Workflow Execution Service (WES) V1: execute the same scientific tools and workflows in a variety of environments without modification
- **Tool Registry Service (TRS)**: portable exchange of tools and workflows
- Data Repository Service API (DRS): create a common way to refer to data and access it regardless of cloud or platform, making it easier to do work across projects and environments

In development

- Task Execution Service (TES): common interface for batching execution of tasks in multiple systems
- Testbed Interoperability Demonstration: use GA4GH cloud APIs to demonstrate that workflows can be exchanged between Driver Project sites and used reproducibly





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Workflow Execution Service (WES) allows complex workflows written in CWL or WDL (two common workflow languages) to run on disparate cloud environments (e.g. Google, Cloud, AWS, OpenStack) with identical flow control and execution.





Technology standards and best practices for protecting data

Ongoing initiatives

- International Participant Values Survey: "Your DNA, Your Say" explores how people around the world feel about the collection, use, and sharing of genetic and health data for research
- GDPR & International Health Data Sharing Forum: a primer followed by monthly briefs that answer questions about the GDPR's impact on various aspects of international health research

In development

Return of Results Policy: what to consider when deciding whether to tell
participants about genomic findings relevant to their health





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Across-omics -> Proteogenomics approaches

 Proteomics data is combined with genomics and/or transcriptomics information, typically by using sequence databases generated from DNA sequencing efforts, RNA-Seq experiments, Ribo-Seq approaches, and longnon-coding RNAs.



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Proteogenomics related data formats

 Two ongoing formats are being developed: proBed (version 1 available) and proBAM (still under review).

• Same overall objective: to map identified peptides to genome coordinates.

- Different level of detail:
 - proBed is tab-delimited and simpler, based on the original BED format. Less level of detail.
 - proBAM is based in the original SAM/BAM formats, widely used in genomics. Much higher level of detail.



Proteogenomics related data formats



Menschaert et al. Genome Biology DOI 10.1186/s13059-017-1377-x



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The proBAM and proBed standard formats: enabling a seamless integration of genomics and proteomics data

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Abstract

On behalf of The Human Proteome Organization (HUPO) Proteomics Standards Initiative, we introduce here two novel standard data formats, proBAM and proBed, that have been developed to address the current challenges of integrating mass spectrometry-based proteomics data with genomics and transcriptomics information in proteogenomics studies, proBAM and proBed are adaptations of the well-defined, widely used file formats SAM/BAM and BED, respectively, and both have been extended to meet the specific requirements entailed by proteomics data. Therefore, existing popular genomics tools such as SAMtools and Bedtools, and several widely used genome browsers, can already be used to manipulate and visualize these formats "out-of-the-box." We also highlight that a number of specific additional software tools, properly supporting the proteomics information available in these formats, are now available providing functionalities such as file generation, file conversion, and data analysis. All the related documentation, including the detailed file format specifications and example files, are accessible at http://www.psidev.info/probam and at http://www.psidev.info/probed.

proBAM	Description	Example		
QNAME	Spectrum name	index=7096_PXD001524		
FLAG	Bitwise FLAG	16		
RNAME	Reference sequence NAME	chr21		
POS	1-based leftmost mapping POSition	33907431		
MAPQ	•	255		
CIGAR	CIGAR string	23M1628N28M		
RNEXT	-			
PNEXT	•	0		
TLEN	<u></u>	0		
SEQ	Coding sequence	TCGACCATTTTCAGCAAG CAAATTGATCAGATTGGT AGTGAGGGGGAGAGAA		
QUAL				
XL	Number of peptides to which the spectrum maps	XL:i:1		
ХМ	Modification(s): semicolon- separated list of modifications	XM:Z:4		
хв	Mass difference (exp - calcul); experimental mass; calculated mass	XB:Z:0.0002109709;;		
XQ	PSM FDR (i.e. q-value or 1-PEP)	XQ:f:1.06E-04		
xs	PSM score	XS:f: 79.78288685		
NH	Number of genomic locations to which the peptide sequence maps	NH:i:1		
хо	Peptide uniqueness (15)	XO:Z:unique		
xc	Peptide Charge	XC:i:2		
XI	Peptide intensity	XI:f:-1		
ХР	Peptide sequence from the original search result	XP:Z:FSPLTTNLINLLAENGR		
XR	Reference peptide sequence	XR:Z:FSPLTTNLINLLAENGR		
XF	Reading frame of the peptide (0, 1, 2)	XF:Z:0,1		
ХА	Whether the peptide is well annotated $(0,1,2)$	XA:i:0		
XG	Peptide type (N, V, W, J, A, M, C, E, B, O, T, R, I, G, D, U, X)	XG:A:N		
YP	Protein accession ID from the original search	YP:Z:ENSP00000290299		
XE	Enzyme used in the experiment	XE:i:1		
XN	Number of missed cleavages in the peptide	XN:i:0		
хт	Enzyme specificity (0, 1, 2, 3)	XT:i:3		
YA	Following amino acids (2 AA)	YA:Z:LS		
YB	Preceding amino acids (2 AA)	YB:Z:ER		
xu	Uniform Resource Identifier			
Z?	Custom fields			

	Description	Example	
	Reference sequence chromosome	chr21	
art	Start position of the first DNA base	33907430	
d	End position of the last DNA base	33909107	
	Unique name	ENSP00000290299_3845	
	Score	276	
	+ or - for strand	-	
t	Coding region start	33907430	
	Coding region end	33909107	
	Always 0	0	
int	Number of blocks	2	
es	Block sizes	25,26	
arts	Block starts	0,1651	
2	PSM score	79.78288685	
	Estimated global false discovery rate	1.06E-04	
tions	Post-translational modifications	15-UNIMOD:7	
ToCharge	Experimental mass to charge value	936.499	
ToCharge	Calculated mass to charge value	936.497	
	Peptide-Spectrum Match rank.	1	
	Charge value	2	
equence	Peptide sequence	FSPLTTNLINLLAENGR	
ss	Peptide uniqueness	unique	
ccession	Protein accession number	ENSP00000290299	
eferenceVersion	Genome reference version number	Homo_sapiens.GRCh38.77	
ř.	Dataset Identifier	PXD001524_reprocessed	
	Uniform Resource Identifier		
		Color legend	
		Genomic locations	
		Mapping details	
		Nucleotide sequence	
		PSM information	
		Peptide information	
		Protein information	
		Enzyme information	
		Data source	

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Provide your own data to genome browsers



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TrackHubs in Genome Browsers

Region in detail @



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Summary slide



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Protein sequences/proteomics data and GA4GH standards

It definitely makes sense that protein sequence/proteomics information is incorporated into GA4GH projects

Reference for proteins: Refget

Variation standards and Beacons



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Two main use cases for Beacons

- Discoverability of experimentally confirmed variants at the proteome level (those ones that are actually expressed).
 - For completely **open data** any species
 - **UniProt** Curated protein sequence data
 - **PRIDE** Experimental proteomics data coming (mainly) from proteogenomics studies

- For sensitive human proteomics data.
 - Controlled-Access datasets (in the future)
 - Same use case that for sequencing data, but at the proteome level
- Representation of more complex data would be possible as well (PTMs,

expression levels, etc)



Reactome – manually curated human pathways



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reactome		About Content	🗸 🞓 Docs 🗸 🤹 Tools 🗸	👻 🚰 Community 🗸 📥 Downlo	
	Find Reaction	ns, Proteins and Pathwa	ays		
	e.g. O95631, NTN1, signaling by EGFR, glucose Gol				
	1.1.1				
Pathway Browser	Analyze Data	Reactor	neFIViz	Documentation	
Visualize and interact with Reactome	Merges pathway identifier map	ping, Designed to find path	ways and network Info	ormation to browse the database	

Biological pathways can be used as common reference system to integrate different types of omics data (e.g. proteomics, genomics, small molecules)

Fabregat A et al. The Reactome Pathway Knowledgebase. NAR 2018

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Reactome coverage





• Ca. 5,000 high confidence interactors from IntAct

20,000 human protein coding genes					
11K Reactom	Э	5 K Interactors			



Pathway Analysis





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Pathway Analysis: Results overview





Multiple download formats



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Overview of standards for pathway related information



adapted from:

Schreiber F, Bader GD, Gleeson P, Golebiewski M, Hucka M, Le Novère N, Myers C, Nickerson D, Sommer B, Walthemath D: **Specifications of Standards in Systems and Synthetic Biology: Status and Developments in 2016** J Integr Bioinform. (2016) 13:289. doi: 10.2390/biecoll-jib-2016-289

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Results overview



Voronoi Tree Map represents Reactome hierarchy

- Space-filling
- Cell size is pathway size
- Colour is overrepresentation as before Mitophagy (2) PMTs HATS
- Metabolism of protein Mediated Maney more pixels per pathway

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Much clearer overview

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• We have covered the activities of the PSI and the main data formats that it has developed over the years

• Another model: development of GA4GH standards

• Data integration ideas

• Take home message: the development of data standards requires a lot of time and effort.

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