

# Package ‘ideal’

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**Description** This package provides functions for an Interactive Differential Expression AnaLysis of RNA-sequencing datasets, to extract quickly and effectively information downstream the step of differential expression. A Shiny application encapsulates the whole package. Support for reproducibility of the whole analysis is provided by means of a template report which gets automatically compiled and can be stored/shared.

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deprecated

*Deprecated functions in ideal*

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## Description

Functions that are on their way to the function afterlife. Their successors are also listed.

## Arguments

... Ignored arguments.

## Details

The successors of these functions are likely coming after the rework that led to the creation of the mosdef package. See more into its documentation for more details.

## Value

All functions throw a warning, with a deprecation message pointing towards its descendent (if available).

### Transitioning to the mosdef framework

- `goseqTable()` is now being replaced by the more flexible `mosdef::run_goseq()` function (which is even faster)
- `ggplotCounts()` is now being replaced by the more flexible, better designed, and actually even more good looking `mosdef::gene_plot()` function, with better default behavior and all.
- `deseqresult2tbl()` and `deseqresult2DEgenes()` are now replaced by the more flexible `mosdef::deresult_to_df()`
- The internally defined functions `createLinkENS()`, `createLinkGeneSymbol()`, and `createLinkGO()` are now replaced by the equivalent functions in `mosdef`: `mosdef::create_link_ENSEMBL()`, `mosdef::create_link_NCBI()` and `mosdef::create_link_GO()`. Notably, the `mosdef` package expanded on the concept of automatically generated buttons, taking this to the extreme of efficiency with the `mosdef::buttonifier()` function

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
# try(goseqtable())
```

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`deseqresult2DEgenes`     *Generate a tidy table with the DE genes from the results of DESeq*

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### Description

Generate a tidy table with the DE genes from the results of DESeq

### Usage

```
deseqresult2DEgenes(deseqresult, FDR = 0.05)
```

### Arguments

`deseqresult`     A `DESeqResults()` object  
`FDR`             Numeric value, the significance level for thresholding adjusted p-values

### Value

A "tidy" data.frame with only genes marked as differentially expressed

### Examples

```
# with simulated data...  
library(DESeq2)  
dds <- DESeq2::makeExampleDESeqDataSet(n = 100, m = 8, betaSD = 2)  
dds <- DESeq(dds)  
res <- results(dds)  
deseqresult2DEgenes(res)
```

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deseqresult2tbl	<i>Generate a tidy table with the results of DESeq</i>
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**Description**

Generate a tidy table with the results of DESeq

**Usage**

```
deseqresult2tbl(deseqresult)
```

**Arguments**

deseqresult    A `DESeqResults()` object

**Value**

A "tidy" data.frame with all genes

**Examples**

```
# with simulated data...
library(DESeq2)
dds <- DESeq2::makeExampleDESeqDataSet(n = 100, m = 8, betaSD = 1)
dds <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds)
res <- DESeq2::results(dds)
deseqresult2tbl(res)
```

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ggplotCounts	<i>Plot normalized counts for a gene</i>
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**Description**

Plot for normalized counts of a single gene, with jittered points superimposed on the boxplot

**Usage**

```
ggplotCounts(
  dds,
  gene,
  intgroup = "condition",
  annotation_obj = NULL,
  transform = TRUE,
  labels_repel = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

dds	A <code>DESeqDataSet()</code> object.
gene	A character, specifying the name of the gene to plot
intgroup	Interesting groups: a character vector of names in <code>colData(dds)</code> to use for grouping
annotation_obj	A <code>data.frame</code> object, with <code>row.names</code> as gene identifiers (e.g. ENSEMBL ids) and a column, <code>gene_name</code> , containing e.g. HGNC-based gene symbols. Optional.
transform	Logical value, corresponding whether to have log scale y-axis or not. Defaults to TRUE.
labels_repel	Logical value. Whether to use <code>ggrepel</code> 's functions to place labels; defaults to TRUE.

## Details

Note: this function relies on the `plotCounts()` function of DESeq2, therefore pseudocounts of 0.5 are added to each point

## Value

An object created by `ggplot`

## Examples

```
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
ggplotCounts(dds_airway,
  gene = "ENSG00000103196", # CRISPLD2 in the original publication
  intgroup = "dex"
)
```

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goseqTable

*Extract functional terms enriched in the DE genes, based on goseq*

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## Description

A wrapper for extracting functional GO terms enriched in a list of (DE) genes, based on the algorithm and the implementation in the `goseq` package

**Usage**

```
goseqTable(
  de.genes,
  assayed.genes,
  genome = "hg38",
  id = "ensGene",
  testCats = c("GO:BP", "GO:MF", "GO:CC"),
  FDR_GO_cutoff = 1,
  nTop = 200,
  orgDbPkg = "org.Hs.eg.db",
  addGeneToTerms = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>de.genes</code>	A vector of (differentially expressed) genes
<code>assayed.genes</code>	A vector of background genes, e.g. all (expressed) genes in the assays
<code>genome</code>	A string identifying the genome that genes refer to, as in the <code>goseq()</code> function
<code>id</code>	A string identifying the gene identifier used by genes, as in the <code>goseq()</code> function
<code>testCats</code>	A vector specifying which categories to test for over representation amongst DE genes - can be any combination of "GO:CC", "GO:BP", "GO:MF" & "KEGG"
<code>FDR_GO_cutoff</code>	Numeric value for subsetting the results
<code>nTop</code>	Number of categories to extract, and optionally process for adding genes to the respective terms
<code>orgDbPkg</code>	Character string, named as the <code>org.XX.eg.db</code> package which should be available in Bioconductor
<code>addGeneToTerms</code>	Logical, whether to add a column with all genes annotated to each GO term

**Details**

Note: the feature length retrieval is based on the `goseq()` function, and requires that the corresponding TxDb packages are installed and available

**Value**

A table containing the computed GO Terms and related enrichment scores

**Examples**

```
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)

res_subset <- mosdef::deresult_to_df(res_airway)[1:100, ]
myde <- res_subset$id
```

```

myassayed <- rownames(res_airway)
## Not run:
mygo <- goseqTable(myde,
  myassayed,
  testCats = "GO:BP",
  addGeneToTerms = FALSE
)
head(mygo)

## End(Not run)

```

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ideal

*ideal: Interactive Differential Expression Analysis*


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## Description

ideal makes differential expression analysis interactive, easy and reproducible. This function launches the main application included in the package.

## Usage

```

ideal(
  dds_obj = NULL,
  res_obj = NULL,
  annotation_obj = NULL,
  countmatrix = NULL,
  expdesign = NULL,
  gene_signatures = NULL
)

```

## Arguments

dds_obj	A <a href="#">DESeqDataSet()</a> object. If not provided, then a countmatrix and a expdesign need to be provided. If none of the above is provided, it is possible to upload the data during the execution of the Shiny App
res_obj	A <a href="#">DESeqResults()</a> object. If not provided, it can be computed during the execution of the application
annotation_obj	A data.frame object, with row.names as gene identifiers (e.g. ENSEMBL ids) and a column, gene_name, containing e.g. HGNC-based gene symbols. If not provided, it can be constructed during the execution via the org.eg.XX.db packages - these need to be installed
countmatrix	A count matrix, with genes as rows and samples as columns. If not provided, it is possible to upload the data during the execution of the Shiny App
expdesign	A data.frame containing the info on the covariates of each sample. If not provided, it is possible to upload the data during the execution of the Shiny App
gene_signatures	A list of vectors, one for each pathway/signature. This is for example the output of the <a href="#">read_gmt()</a> function. The provided object can also be replaced during runtime in the dedicated upload widget.

**Value**

A Shiny App is launched for interactive data exploration and differential expression analysis

**Examples**

```
# with simulated data...
library("DESeq2")
dds <- DESeq2::makeExampleDESeqDataSet(n = 100, m = 8)
cm <- counts(dds)
cd <- colData(dds)

# with the well known airway package...
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
## Not run:

ideal()
ideal(dds)
ideal(dds_airway)

dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)
ideal(dds_airway, res_airway)

## End(Not run)
```

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ideal-pkg

*ideal: Interactive Differential Expression Analysis*

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**Description**

ideal makes differential expression analysis interactive, easy and reproducible. The analysis of RNA-seq datasets is guided by the Shiny app as main component of the package, which also provides a wide set of functions to efficiently extract information from the existing data. The app can be also deployed on a Shiny server, to allow its usage without any installation on the user's side.

**Details**

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**See Also**

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/federicomarini/ideal>
- <https://federicomarini.github.io/ideal/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/federicomarini/ideal/issues>

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plot\_ma

*MA-plot from base means and log fold changes*

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**Description**

MA-plot from base means and log fold changes, in the ggplot2 framework, with additional support to annotate genes if provided.

**Usage**

```
plot_ma(
  res_obj,
  FDR = 0.05,
  point_alpha = 0.2,
  sig_color = "red",
  annotation_obj = NULL,
  draw_y0 = TRUE,
  hlines = NULL,
  title = NULL,
  xlab = "mean of normalized counts - log10 scale",
  ylim = NULL,
  add_rug = TRUE,
  intgenes = NULL,
  intgenes_color = "steelblue",
  labels_intgenes = TRUE,
  labels_repel = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

res_obj	A <a href="#">DESeqResults()</a> object
FDR	Numeric value, the significance level for thresholding adjusted p-values
point_alpha	Alpha transparency value for the points (0 = transparent, 1 = opaque)
sig_color	Color to use to mark differentially expressed genes. Defaults to red
annotation_obj	A data.frame object, with row.names as gene identifiers (e.g. ENSEMBL ids) and a column, gene_name, containing e.g. HGNC-based gene symbols. Optional
draw_y0	Logical, whether to draw the horizontal line at y=0. Defaults to TRUE.
hlines	The y coordinate (in absolute value) where to draw horizontal lines, optional
title	A title for the plot, optional
xlab	X axis label, defaults to "mean of normalized counts - log10 scale"

ylim	Vector of two numeric values, Y axis limits to restrict the view
add_rug	Logical, whether to add rug plots in the margins
intgenes	Vector of genes of interest. Gene symbols if a symbol column is provided in res_obj, or else the identifiers specified in the row names
intgenes_color	The color to use to mark the genes on the main plot.
labels_intgenes	Logical, whether to add the gene identifiers/names close to the marked plots
labels_repel	Logical, whether to use geom_text_repel for placing the labels on the features to mark

### Details

The genes of interest are to be provided as gene symbols if a symbol column is provided in res\_obj, or else by using the identifiers specified in the row names

### Value

An object created by ggplot

### Examples

```
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
# subsetting for quicker run, ignore the next two commands if regularly using the function
gene_subset <- c(
  "ENSG00000103196", # CRISPLD2
  "ENSG00000120129", # DUSP1
  "ENSG00000163884", # KLF15
  "ENSG00000179094", # PER1
  rownames(dds_airway)[rep(c(rep(FALSE, 99), TRUE), length.out = nrow(dds_airway))]
) # 1% of ids
dds_airway <- dds_airway[gene_subset, ]

dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)

plot_ma(res_airway, FDR = 0.05, hlines = 1)

plot_ma(res_airway,
  FDR = 0.1,
  intgenes = c(
    "ENSG00000103196", # CRISPLD2
    "ENSG00000120129", # DUSP1
    "ENSG00000163884", # KLF15
    "ENSG00000179094" # PER1
  )
)
```

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`plot_volcano`*Volcano plot for log fold changes and log p-values*

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### Description

Volcano plot for log fold changes and log p-values in the ggplot2 framework, with additional support to annotate genes if provided.

### Usage

```
plot_volcano(  
  res_obj,  
  FDR = 0.05,  
  ylim_up = NULL,  
  vlines = NULL,  
  title = NULL,  
  intgenes = NULL,  
  intgenes_color = "steelblue",  
  labels_intgenes = TRUE,  
  labels_repel = TRUE  
)
```

### Arguments

<code>res_obj</code>	A <a href="#">DESeqResults()</a> object
<code>FDR</code>	Numeric value, the significance level for thresholding adjusted p-values
<code>ylim_up</code>	Numeric value, Y axis upper limits to restrict the view
<code>vlines</code>	The x coordinate (in absolute value) where to draw vertical lines, optional
<code>title</code>	A title for the plot, optional
<code>intgenes</code>	Vector of genes of interest. Gene symbols if a <code>symbol</code> column is provided in <code>res_obj</code> , or else the identifiers specified in the row names
<code>intgenes_color</code>	The color to use to mark the genes on the main plot.
<code>labels_intgenes</code>	Logical, whether to add the gene identifiers/names close to the marked plots
<code>labels_repel</code>	Logical, whether to use <code>geom_text_repel</code> for placing the labels on the features to mark

### Details

The genes of interest are to be provided as gene symbols if a `symbol` column is provided in `res_obj`, or else by using the identifiers specified in the row names

### Value

An object created by ggplot

**Examples**

```

library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)

# subsetting for quicker run, ignore the next two commands if regularly using the function
gene_subset <- c(
  "ENSG00000103196", # CRISPLD2
  "ENSG00000120129", # DUSP1
  "ENSG00000163884", # KLF15
  "ENSG00000179094", # PER1
  rownames(dds_airway)[rep(c(rep(FALSE, 99), TRUE), length.out = nrow(dds_airway))]
) # 1% of ids
dds_airway <- dds_airway[gene_subset, ]

dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)

plot_volcano(res_airway)

```

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read\_gmt

*Read in a GMT file*

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**Description**

Returns a list of pathways from a GMT file.

**Usage**

```
read_gmt(gmtfile)
```

**Arguments**

**gmtfile**            A character value, containing the location of the GMT formatted file. It can also be a file found online

**Value**

A list of vectors, one for each pathway in the GMT file.

**Examples**

```

# this example reads in the freely available pathways from wikipathways
## Not run:
mysigs <- read_gmt(
  "http://data.wikipathways.org/20240910/gmt/wikipathways-20240910-gmt-Homo_sapiens.gmt"
)
head(mysigs)
# see how the gene identifiers are encoded as ENTREZ id

## End(Not run)

```

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sepguesser	<i>Make an educated guess on the separator character</i>
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**Description**

This function tries to guess which separator was used in a text delimited file

**Usage**

```
sepguesser(file, sep_list = c(",", "\t", ";", " "))
```

**Arguments**

file	The name of the file which the data are to be read from
sep_list	A vector containing the candidates for being identified as separators. Defaults to c(",", "\t", ";", " ")

**Value**

A character value, corresponding to the guessed separator. One of "," (comma), "\t" (tab), ";" (semicolon), " " (whitespace)

**Examples**

```
sepguesser(system.file("extdata/design_commas.txt", package = "ideal"))
sepguesser(system.file("extdata/design_semicolons.txt", package = "ideal"))
sepguesser(system.file("extdata/design_spaces.txt", package = "ideal"))
mysep <- sepguesser(system.file("extdata/design_tabs.txt", package = "ideal"))

# to be used for reading in the same file, without having to specify the sep
```

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sig_heatmap	<i>Plot a heatmap of the gene signature on the data</i>
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**Description**

Plot a heatmap for the selected gene signature on the provided data, with the possibility to compactly display also DE only genes

**Usage**

```
sig_heatmap(
  vst_data,
  my_signature,
  res_data = NULL,
  FDR = 0.05,
  de_only = FALSE,
  annovec,
  title = "",
  cluster_rows = TRUE,
```

```

cluster_cols = FALSE,
anno_colData = NULL,
center_mean = TRUE,
scale_row = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

vst_data	A <code>DESeqTransform()</code> object - usually the variance stabilized transformed data, which will be used to extract the expression values
my_signature	A character vector, usually named, containing the genes which compose the gene signature
res_data	A <code>DESeqResults()</code> object. If not provided, it can be computed during the execution of the application
FDR	Numeric value between 0 and 1, the False Discovery Rate
de_only	Logical, whether to display only DE genes belonging to the pathway - defaults to FALSE
annovec	A named character vector, with the corresponding annotation across IDs
title	Character, title for the heatmap
cluster_rows	Logical, whether to cluster rows - defaults to TRUE
cluster_cols	Logical, whether to cluster column - defaults to FALSE. Recommended to be set to TRUE if de_only is also set to TRUE
anno_colData	Character vector, specifying the elements of the colData information to be displayed as a decoration of the heatmap. Can be a vector of any length, as long as these names are included as colData. Defaults to NULL, which would plot no annotation on the samples.
center_mean	Logical, whether to perform mean centering on the expression values. Defaults to TRUE, as it improves the general readability of the heatmap
scale_row	Logical, whether to perform row-based standardization of the expression values

### Value

A plot based on the pheatmap function

### Examples

```

# with the well known airway package...
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
## Not run:
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)
vst_airway <- DESeq2::vst(dds_airway)
library(org.Hs.eg.db)
annovec <- mapIds(org.Hs.eg.db, rownames(dds_airway), "ENTREZID", "ENSEMBL")
mysignatures <- read_gmt(

```

```

    "http://data.wikipathways.org/20190210/gmt/wikipathways-20190210-gmt-Homo_sapiens.gmt"
  )
  mysignature_name <- "Lung fibrosis%WikiPathways_20190210%WP3624%Homo sapiens"
  library(pheatmap)
  sig_heatmap(vst_airway,
    mysignatures[[mysignature_name]],
    res_data = res_airway,
    de_only = TRUE,
    annovec = annovec,
    title = mysignature_name,
    cluster_cols = TRUE
  )

  ## End(Not run)

```

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wrapup\_for\_iSEE

*wrapup\_for\_iSEE*


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## Description

Combine data from a typical DESeq2 run

## Usage

```
wrapup_for_iSEE(dds, res)
```

## Arguments

dds            A [DESeqDataSet\(\)](#) object.  
res            A [DESeqResults\(\)](#) object.

## Details

Combines the [DESeqDataSet](#) input and [DESeqResults](#) into a [SummarizedExperiment](#) object, which can be readily explored with [iSEE](#).

A typical usage would be after running the DESeq2 pipeline as specified in one of the workflows which include this package, e.g. in the context of the [ideal](#) package.

## Value

A [SummarizedExperiment](#) object, with raw counts, normalized counts, and variance-stabilizing transformed counts in the assay slots; and with `colData` and `rowData` extracted from the corresponding input parameters

## Examples

```

# with simulated data...
library(DESeq2)
dds <- DESeq2::makeExampleDESeqDataSet(n = 10000, m = 8)
dds <- DESeq(dds)
res <- results(dds)
se <- wrapup_for_iSEE(dds, res)
# library(iSEE)

```

```
# iSEE(se)
## Not run:
# or with the well known airway package...
library("airway")
data("airway", package = "airway")
airway
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeqDataSetFromMatrix(assay(airway),
  colData = colData(airway),
  design = ~ cell + dex
)
dds_airway <- DESeq2::DESeq(dds_airway)
res_airway <- DESeq2::results(dds_airway)
se_airway <- wrapup_for_iSEE(dds_airway, res_airway)
# iSEE(se_airway)

## End(Not run)
```



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