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Description This package provides several functions to study miRNA sponge
(also called ceRNA or miRNA decoy), including popular methods
for identifying miRNA sponge interactions, and the integrative method to inte-
grate miRNA sponge
interactions from different methods, as well as the functions to validate
miRNA sponge interactions, and infer miRNA sponge modules, conduct enrichment analy-
sis of modules,
and conduct survival analysis of modules.

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integrateMethod	*Integrate method for identifying miRNA sponge interactions by integrating different methods*

Description

Integrate method for identifying miRNA sponge interactions by integrating different methods.

Usage

```
integrateMethod(Interlist, Intersect_num)
```

Arguments

Interlist	List object, a list of miRNA sponge interactions from different methods.
Intersect_num	The least number of different methods intersected for integration. The value of 1 means the union of miRNA sponge interactions from different methods.

Value

A list of integrated miRNA sponge interactions.

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Examples

```
# Obtain expression data file "ExpData.csv" in csv format
ExpDatacsv <- system.file("extdata","ExpData.csv",package="miRspongeR")
ExpData <- read.csv(ExpDatacsv, header=FALSE, sep=",")

# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")
miRHomologyceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, method = "miRHomology")
pcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, method = "pc")
sppcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, method = "sppc")
Interlist <- list(miRHomologyceRInt[, 1:2], pcceRInt[, 1:2], sppcceRInt[, 1:2])
IntegrateceRInt <- integrateMethod(Interlist, 2)
```

moduleDEA	*Disease enrichment analysis of modules*

Description

Disease enrichment analysis of modules. The disease ontology databases have three types including DO: Disease Ontology database (<http://disease-ontology.org/>), DGN: DisGeNET database (<http://www.disgenet.org/>), and NCG: Network of Cancer Genes database (http://ncg.kcl.ac.uk/).

Usage

```
moduleDEA(Modulelist, OrgDb = "org.Hs.eg.db", ont = "DO",
padjustvaluecutoff = 0.05, padjustedmethod = "BH")
```

Arguments

Modulelist	A list of miRNA sponge modules.
OrgDb	OrgDb
ont	One of "DO", and "DOLite" subontologies.
padjustvaluecutoff	
	A cutoff value of adjusted p-values.
padjustedmethod	
	Adjusted method of p-values, can select one of "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr", "none".

Value

A list of disease enrichment analysis results.

Author(s)

Junpeng Zhang (<https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Junpeng_Zhang3>)

References

Yu G, Wang L, Yan G, et al. DOSE: an R/Bioconductor package for Disease Ontology Semantic and Enrichment analysis. Bioinformatics, 2015, 31(4):608-609.

Examples

```
# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")
miRHomologyceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, method = "miRHomology")
spongenetwork_Cluster <- netModule(miRHomologyceRInt[, 1:2])
sponge_Module_DEA <- moduleDEA(spongenetwork_Cluster)
```

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moduleFEA   *Functional GO, KEGG and Reactome enrichment analysis of modules*

Description

Functional GO, KEGG and Reactome enrichment analysis of modules. GO: Gene Ontology database (http://www.geneontology.org/), KEGG: Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes Pathway Database (http://www.genome.jp/kegg/) and Reactome: Reactome Pathway Database (http://reactome.org/).

Usage

```
moduleFEA(Modulelist, ont = "BP", KEGGorganism = "hsa",
Reactomeorganism = "human", OrgDb = "org.Hs.eg.db",
padjustvaluecutoff = 0.05, padjustedmethod = "BH")
```

Arguments

Modulelist	A list of miRNA sponge modules.
ont	One of "MF", "BP", and "CC" subontologies.
KEGGorganism	Organism, supported organism listed in http://www.genome.jp/kegg/catalog/org_list.html
Reactomeorganism	
	Organism, one of "human", "rat", "mouse", "celegans", "yeast", "zebrafish", "fly".
OrgDb	OrgDb
padjustvaluecutoff	
	A cutoff value of adjusted p-values.
padjustedmethod	
	Adjusted method of p-values, can select one of "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr", "none".

Value

A list of functional GO, KEGG and Reactome enrichment analysis results.

Author(s)

Junpeng Zhang (https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Junpeng_Zhang3)

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Examples

```
## Not run:
# Obtain expression data file "ExpData.csv" in csv format
ExpDatacsv <- system.file("extdata","ExpData.csv",package="miRspongeR")
ExpData <- read.csv(ExpDatacsv, header=FALSE, sep=",")

# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")
pcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, method = "pc")
spongenetwork_Cluster <- netModule(pcceRInt[, 1:2])
sponge_Module_FEA <- moduleFEA(spongenetwork_Cluster)

## End(Not run)
```

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moduleSurvival   *Survival analysis of modules*

Description

Survival analysis of modules.

Usage

```
moduleSurvival(Modulelist, ExpData, SurvData,
devidePercentage=.5, plot = FALSE)
```

Arguments

Modulelist	A list of miRNA sponge modules.
ExpData	An input expression data, the columns are genes and the rows are samples.
SurvData	An input survival data, three columns contain the information of sample, time (Months) and status, respectively.
devidePercentage	
	A percentage value, the percentage of high risk group.
plot	A logical value, plot or not.

Value

Survival analysis result of modules.

Author(s)

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References

Terry M. Therneau and Patricia M. Grambsch. Modeling Survival Data: Extending the Cox Model. Springer, New York. ISBN 0-387-98784-3, 2000.

Examples

```
# Obtain expression data file "ExpData.csv" in csv format
ExpDatacsv <- system.file("extdata","ExpData.csv",package="miRspongeR")
ExpData <- read.csv(ExpDatacsv, header=FALSE, sep=",")

# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")

# Obtain survival data file "SurvData.csv" in csv format
SurvDatacsv <- system.file("extdata", "SurvData.csv", package="miRspongeR")
SurvData <- read.csv(SurvDatacsv, header=TRUE, sep=",")
pcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, method = "pc")
spongenetwork_Cluster <- netModule(pcceRInt[, 1:2])
sponge_Module_Survival <- moduleSurvival(spongenetwork_Cluster,
ExpData, SurvData)
```

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netModule   *Identifying miRNA sponge modules from network*

Description

Identifying miRNA sponge modules from network. Possible methods include FN, MCL, LINKCOMM and MCODE.

Usage

```
netModule(spongenetwork, method = "MCL", directed = FALSE, modulesize = 3, save = FALSE)
```

Arguments

spongenetwork   Input miRNA sponge interaction network.

method   Cluster method, can select one of FN, MCL, LINKCOMM and MCODE.

directed   A logical value, the network is directed or not.

modulesize   The size cutoff of the identified modules.

save   A logical value, save the identified modules or not.

Value

A list of miRNA sponge modules.

Author(s)

Junpeng Zhang (<https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Junpeng_Zhang3>)

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Examples

```
# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")
miRHomologyceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, method = "miRHomology")
spongenetwork_Cluster <- netModule(miRHomologyceRInt[, 1:2])
```

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querymiRTargetbinding	*Query miRNA-target interactions by combining expression data and putative miRNA-target interactions*

Description

Query miRNA-target interactions by combining expression data and putative miRNA-target interactions.

Usage

```
querymiRTargetbinding(ExpData, miRTarget)
```

Arguments

ExpData	An input gene expression data frame, the rows are samples and the columns are genes.
miRTarget	An input miRNA-target interaction data frame, the first column is miRNA with name "mir" and the second column is target with name "gene".

Value

A list of queried miRNA-target interactions

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# Obtain expression data file "ExpData.csv" in csv format
ExpDatacsv <- system.file("extdata","ExpData.csv",package="miRspongeR")
ExpData <- read.csv(ExpDatacsv, header=FALSE, sep=",")

# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")
miR2Target_queried <- querymiRTargetbinding(ExpData, miRTarget)
```

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spongeMethod   *Identifying miRNA sponge interactions using spongeMethod*

Description

Identifying miRNA sponge interactions using spongeMethod. We implement seven popular methods (miRHomology, pc, sppc, ppc, hermes, muTaME, and cernia) to identify miRNA sponge interactions.

Usage

```
spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData = NULL, mres = NULL, minSharedmiR = 3,
poscorcutoff = 0, num_perm = 100, padjustvaluecutoff = 0.01,
padjustmethod = "BH", senscorcutoff = 0.3, scorecutoff = 0.5,
method = c("miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME", "cernia"))
```

Arguments

miRTarget	Putative miRNA-target interactions. Required option for method "miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME" and "cernia".
ExpData	An input expression data frame, the columns are genes and the rows are samples. Required option for method "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes" and "cernia".
mres	Putative MiRNA Response Elements (mres) data frame, each row contains five elements: Mirna, Target, energy, gap_l, gap_r. Required option for method "muTaME" and "cernia".
minSharedmiR	The minimum number of shared miRNAs between targets. Required option for method "miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME" and "cernia".
poscorcutoff	A cutoff value of positive correlation. Required option for method "pc", "sppc" and "cernia".
num_perm	The number of permutations. Required option for method "ppc" and "hermes".
padjustvaluecutoff	
	A cutoff value of adjusted p-values. Required option for method "miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME" and "cernia".
padjustmethod	Adjusted method of p-values, can select one of "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr", "none". Required option for method "miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME" and "cernia".
senscorcutoff	A cutoff value of sensitivity partial pearson correlation. Required option for method "sppc".

scorecutoff	A cutoff value of normalized score (range from 0 to 1). Required option for method "muTaME" and "cernia".
method	Select a method for identifying miRNA sponge interactions, can select one of "miRHomology", "pc", "sppc", "ppc", "hermes", "muTaME", "cernia".

Value

A list of identified miRNA sponge interactions.

Author(s)

Junpeng Zhang (https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Junpeng_Zhang3)

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Examples

```
# Obtain expression data file "ExpData.csv" in csv format
ExpDatacsv <- system.file("extdata","ExpData.csv",package="miRspongeR")
ExpData <- read.csv(ExpDatacsv, header=FALSE, sep=",")

# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")

# miRHomology method
miRHomologyceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, method = "miRHomology")

# pc method
pcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, method = "pc")
```

```
# sppc method
sppcceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, ExpData, senscorcutoff = 0.1, method = "sppc")
```

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spongeValidate   *Validation of computationally predicted miRNA sponge interactions*

Description

Validation of computationally predicted miRNA sponge interactions. The groundtruth of miRNA sponge interactions are from miRSponge (<http://www.bio-bigdata.net/miRSponge/>) and the experimentally validated miRNA sponge interactions of related literatures.

Usage

```
spongeValidate(spongenetwork, directed = FALSE, Groundtruth)
```

Arguments

spongenetwork   Input miRNA sponge interaction network.

directed   A logical value, the network is directed or not.

Groundtruth   The groundtruth of miRNA sponge interactions.

Value

A list of experimentally validated miRNA sponge interactions.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# Obtain miRNA-target interaction data file "miR2Target.csv" in csv format
miR2Target <- system.file("extdata", "miR2Target.csv", package="miRspongeR")
miRTarget <- read.csv(miR2Target, header=TRUE, sep=",")

# Obtain experimentally validated miRNA sponge interaction data file "Groundtruth.csv" in csv format
Groundtruthcsv <- system.file("extdata", "Groundtruth.csv", package="miRspongeR")
Groundtruth <- read.csv(Groundtruthcsv, header=TRUE, sep=",")
miRHomologyceRInt <- spongeMethod(miRTarget, method = "miRHomology")
spongenetwork_validated <- spongeValidate(miRHomologyceRInt[, 1:2], directed = FALSE, Groundtruth)
```

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