

Research data standards and -sharing in Lifesciences



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data standards are

data standards are **back seat drivers**

data standards are **we at the tipping point** (wikipedia, Johnson L; Worthington J.C)

data **transmission** standards are **also referred to as**

a person who gives advice
about what he is not
responsible for, and may not
well understand.

standards are

standards are **too high**

standards are **chosen because they what**

standards are **written in mandatory language**

standards are **important**

standards are **high**

standards are **the first casualty**

standards are **like**

standards are **like toothbrushes**

standards are **need to**

standards are **important in networking**

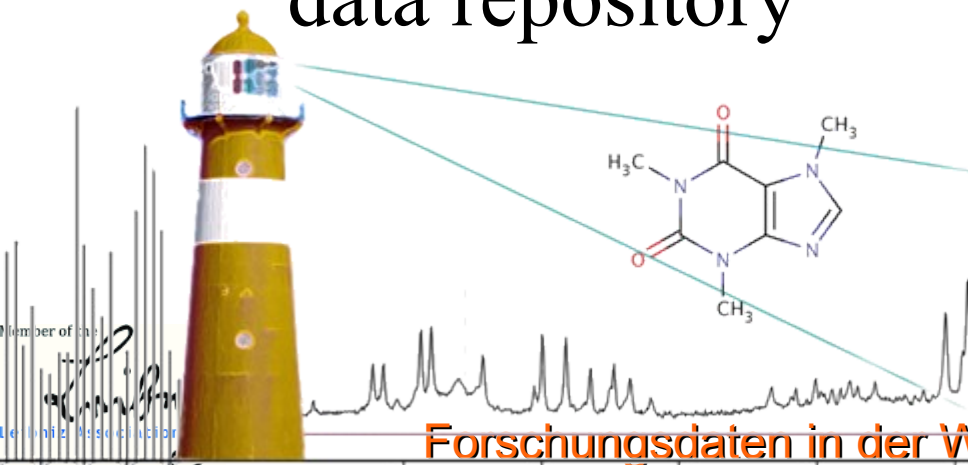
... a good idea,
but nobody wants to use
anybody else's (Anita Golderba)

How do we report Metabolomics results ?

- We write papers which have “Materials and Methods” and “Results” sections
- The gene expression data community was among the first to draft reporting guidelines “MIAME”
Minimum Information About Microarray Experiment
- The metabolomics community also had efforts to suggest what to report:
 - Standardised Metabolomics Reporting Structure (SMRS)
 - Metabolomics Standards Initiative (MSI)
- There were databases and schema definitions (ArMet, CIMR)

MetaboLights@EBI

- Repository of Metabolomics Data
- ISAtab metadata format
- Array Express, Pride, GenBank, ...
- IPB Halle investigates use as in-house research data repository



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characterize changes induced in *Nicotiana attenuata* leaves 1 h and 5 days after wounding and application of Manduca sexta feeding. Using the MetaboAnalyst software, we extracted 367 buckets, which were analyzed by principal component analysis and two-factorial ANOVA. We found 128 metabolites to be statistically regulated, 128 due to time effects, and 85 due to treatment effects.

Study Design Description Protocols Data Metabolite Identification

Protocol

Description

Sample collection

We used an isogenic line, obtained after 30 generations of inbreeding, of *Nicotiana attenuata* germinated as described in Krügel et al. (15). All plants were grown in the glasshouse in 1 L light supplied by Philips Sun-T Agro 400- or 600-W sodium lights (Philips, Turnhout, Belgium). *Manduca sexta* feeding were reproduced by producing with a fabric pattern wheel three rows of midvein of five fully expanded leaves per plant (5 biological replicates) and directly applying Manduca sexta feeding (OS). Treated leaves from the same plant were harvested, pooled, and flash frozen 1 h and 5 days after wounding and harvested from other plants at the same time points.

Extraction

One hundred milligrams of ground leaf tissue was weighted and transferred to a Fast Prep tube (BIO 101, Vista, USA). One milliliter of extraction buffer per 100 mg of tissue [50 mM acetate buffer, pH 4.5, spiked with reserpine (600 ng/mL), atropine (200 ng/mL)] was added, and the samples were shaken overnight at 4 °C. The supernatant was collected in a fresh 1.5 mL Eppendorf tube and centrifuged at 14,000 rpm, 20 min, 4 °C. The supernatant was transferred to a HPLC vial.

Chromatography

Two microliters of the leaf extract were separated using a HPLC 1100 Series system (Agilent, Waldbronn, Germany) with a 150 mm Å 2 mm i.d., 3 µm, Phenomenex Gemini NX RP-18 column with a 2 mm Å 4 mm i.d. guard column (Phenomenex, Germany). The following binary gradient was applied: 0 to 2 min isocratic 95% acetonitrile [Baker, HPLC grade], and 0.05% formic acid, 5% B (acetonitrile and 0.05% formic acid) isocratic for 5 min. The flow rate was 200 µL/min.

Mass spectrometry

Eluted compounds were detected by a MicroToF mass spectrometer (Bruker Daltonik, Bremen, Germany) with electrospray ionization source in positive and negative ion modes. Typical instrument settings: capillary voltage, 3 kV; capillary exit, 130 V; dry gas temperature, 200 °C; dry gas flow, 8 L/min. Ions were detected at a rate of 1 Hz. Mass calibration was performed using sodium formate clusters (10 mM solution in water containing 0.2% formic acid).



What about other -omics ?

CIMR	Core Information for Metabolomics Reporting
MIABE	Minimal Information About a Bioactive Entity
MIACA	Minimal Information About a Cellular Assay
MIAME	Minimum Information About a Microarray Experiment
MIAME/Env	MIAME / Environmental transcriptomic experiment
MIAME/Nutr	MIAME / Nutrigenomics
MIAME/Plant	MIAME / Plant transcriptomics
MIAME/Tox	MIAME / Toxicogenomics
MIAPA	Minimum Information About a Phylogenetic Analysis
MIAPAR	Minimum Information About a Protein Affinity Reagent
MIAPPE	Minimum Information About a Proteomics Experiment
MIARE	Minimum Information About a RNAi Experiment
MIASE	Minimum Information About a Simulation Experiment
MIENS	Minimum Information about an ENvironmental Sequence
MIFlowCyt	Minimum Information for a Flow Cytometry Experiment

MIGen	→	Projects/MIGS	
MIGS		Minimum Information about a G enome S equences	
MIMix			
MIMPP			
MINI			
MINIMESS			
MINSEQE			
MIPFE			
MIQAS			
MIqPCR			
MIRIAM			
MISFISHIE			
STRENDIA			
TBC			

1	General features	
1.1	Domain	Genomics
1.2	Document Type	Primary checklist
1.3	Group	Genomic Standards Consortium
1.4	Main Website	http://gensc.org/
1.5	MI Checklist's Name	Minimum Information about a Genome Sequence
1.6	MI Checklist's Acronym	MIGS
1.7	Current Version Designation	2.0
1.8	Release Date for Current Version	2008-05
1.9	General Comments	Published version available: Stable enough for implementation, but

- www.mibbi.org
- Minimum Information for Biological and Biomedical Investigations
- Reporting guidelines from *many* disciplines in life sciences



The MIBBI Project (mibbi.org)

Comparison of MIBBI-registered projects [21]

Version 0.7 (2008-04-10)

Granularity	Coarse	Medium	Fine
Maturity	● Planned	● Drafting	● Release

[†] Denotes that a specification is provided as a suite of related documents.

		CIMR [†]	MIACA	MIAME	MIAME/Env	MIAME/Nutr	MIAME/Plant	MIAME/Tox	MIAPA	MIAPE [†]	MIARE	MIFlowCyt	MIGen	MIGS/MIMS	MIMIx	MIMPP	MINI
CONCEPT	SPECIALISATION																
study inputs	study design																
	generic organism																
	cells / microbes																
	plant																
	animal																
	mouse																
	human																
	population																
	environmental sample																
	environment / habitat																
	in silico model																
	study procedures	organism maintenance															
animal husbandry																	
cell / microbe culture																	
plant cultivation																	
acclimation																	
preconditioning / pretreatment																	
organism manipulation																	
assay inputs	generic study input																
	organism part																
	organism state																
	organism trait																
	biomolecule																
	synthetic analyte																
	illumina RNA-seq																

Granularity of metadata

- There can be too little and too much metadata
 - Too little: meaningless data dump
 - Too much: over-engineered database, problematic User Acceptance
- Future: Text-Mining the MetaData ?
 - Automatic RDF extraction as suggestion during submission
- Different granularity for in-house “LIMS” and published data-sets ?



License: rights+obligations

- Creative Commons: Family of licenses
 - Zero (CC0): Data fully in the public domain
 - By Attribution (BY): Obligation to cite the origin
 - Share Alike (SA): Derivatives must be CC-SA as well
The “viral” license, it spreads!
 - No Derivatives (ND): Redistribution only unchanged
 - Non Commercial (NC): problematic definition
 - And (almost) combinations thereof
- And many other: opendatacommons.org/licenses
- **No license is the worst choice**, because the
“default rights/obligations” differ across legislations

Take Home

- There are definitions for Metadata out there
 - Lots of them on mibbi.org
 - ISA tools can capture them
 - In-house and public MetaboLights
- What's left is to **agree** and use all of the above
 - Ongoing EU FP7 Coordinating action: “COSMOS”
COordination Of Standards in Metabolomics

Summary

- Data Sharing is a technical and political challenge
- (Meta-) Data Standards must help, not impede adoption by consumers and producers
- There are both successful and unsuccessful examples to learn from
- Quote: “Lead-by-example”