

# Package ‘SASPECT’

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mouseTissue	<i>LC MS/MS Data from Mouse Model</i>
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## Description

An Example data for package SASPECT

## Usage

```
data(mouseTissue)
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## Details

This data example is from the mouse study described in Whiteaker et. al. 2007. It contains the information of 333 peptides from 20 LC-MS/MS experiments (10 from the normal group and 10 from the control group).

## Value

mouseTissue is a list of four components:

peptideData	a list of two numeric matrices, PeptideCount and PeptideConfidence. The columns correspond to 20 LC-MS/MS experiments, and rows correspond to 333 peptides. PeptideCount records the total spectral counts of each peptide in each experiment. PeptideConfidence tracks the highest PeptideProphet score of each peptide identification in each experiment in the database search procedure.
pep.set	a character vector of length 333, recording the peptide IDs.
pep.pro.name	a character matrix consisting of 15579 rows and 2 columns. The first column is a vector of mouse protein IDs (IPI numbers), while the second column gives the names of the peptides matching to the mouse proteins in the first column.
run.group.info	a data frame consisting of 2 rows and 2 columns, which indicates the case status and the sample size of each group.

## References

Whiteaker, J. R., Zhang, H., Zhao, L., Wang, P., Kelly-Spratt, K. S., Ivey, R. G., Piening, B. D., Feng, L., Kasarda, E., Gurley, K. E., Eng, J. K., Chodosh, L. A., Kemp, C. J., McIntosh, M. W., Paulovich, A. G (2007) Integrated Pipeline for Mass Spectrometry-Based Discovery and Confirmation of Biomarkers Demonstrated in a Mouse Model of Breast Cancer. *J. Proteome Res.*, 6(10); 3962-3975.

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SASPECT

*Significant Analysis of PEptide CountS*

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## Description

A function for identifying differentially expressed proteins between two sample groups using spectral counts from LC-MS/MS Experiments

## Usage

```
SASPECT(peptideData, pep.set, pep.pro.name, run.group.info,
        permu.iter=50, filter.run=2, filter.score=0.95)
```

**Arguments**

<code>peptideData</code>	a list of two components: <code>PeptideCount</code> and <code>PeptideConfidence</code> . Both are numeric matrices with <code>p</code> rows each representing one peptide and <code>n1+n2</code> columns each representing one sample ( <code>n1</code> =sample size of the first group, and <code>n2</code> =sample size of the second group). <code>PeptideCount</code> records the peptide spectral counts of all <code>p</code> peptides in all <code>n1+n2</code> samples. <code>PeptideConfidence</code> tracks the confidence score of each peptide identification in the database search procedure (e.g. the <code>PeptideProphet</code> score). Both matrices need to be arranged in the way that the first <code>n1</code> columns represents samples from the first group and the rest columns are for the second group.
<code>pep.set</code>	a character vector of length <code>p</code> . The <code>ith</code> element is the peptide ID corresponding to the <code>ith</code> row of <code>peptideData\$PeptideCount</code> and <code>peptideData\$PeptideConfidence</code> .
<code>pep.pro.name</code>	a character matrix with 2 columns. The first column gives the protein IDs, and the second column gives the names of the peptides matching to the proteins in the first column.
<code>run.group.info</code>	a data frame with two columns. The first column ( <code>run.group.info\$label</code> ) is a character vector of length 2, giving the group names of the two groups. The second column ( <code>run.group.info\$count</code> ) is a numeric vector of length 2, giving the number of samples in the first group ( <code>n1</code> ) and the second group ( <code>n2</code> ).
<code>permu.iter</code>	an integer. It is the number of permutation iterations for estimating FDR. The default value is 50.
<code>filter.run</code>	an integer. It is the filter criteria for removing peptides observed in too few samples. The default value is 2.
<code>filter.score</code>	a scale. <code>PeptideConfidence</code> scores above this value are counted in the filtering process. The default value is 0.95

**Details**

This function implements the SASPECT-hybrid method (Wang et. al. 2008, in preparation), which is a modified version of the original SASPECT method proposed in Whiteaker et. al. 2007. The `Score1` column in the returned matrix gives test statistics using the original SASPECT method.

**Value**

SASPECT generates a data frame with 7 columns:

<code>Protein</code>	Protein groups' ID.
<code>ProteinsInGroup</code>	Names of proteins in each protein group (separated by <code>.</code> ).
<code>Score1</code>	test score based on Appear-Absent (AA) measurements. A positive value suggests the abundance level in the second group is higher than the first group. A negative value suggests the opposite.
<code>Score2</code>	test score based on non zero total Spectral count (SpecC) measurements. A positive value suggests the abundance level in the second group is higher than the first group. A negative value suggests the opposite.
<code>Score</code>	final SASPECT score (sum square of <code>Score1</code> and <code>Score2</code> ).

Qvalue                FDR resulted from permutation test based on Score.  
PeptideNumber      number of peptides observed for each protein(protein group).

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**Examples**

```
library(SASPECT)
data(mouseTissue)

SASPECT.result<-SASPECT(peptideData=mouseTissue$peptideData,
  pep.set=mouseTissue$pep.set,
  pep.pro.name=mouseTissue$pep.pro.name,
  run.group.info=mouseTissue$run.group.info,
  permu.iter=50,
  filter.run=2,
  filter.score=0.95)
### it takes about 1 minute to run this example.

### check the qvalue distribution
qvalue=as.numeric(SASPECT.result[, "Qvalue"])
plot(sort(qvalue))

### output the result into a table file
write.table(SASPECT.result, file="SASPECT.result.txt", row.names=FALSE, sep="\t")
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