

A graphical user interface to DNA microarray data analysis using R and Bioconductor

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Chipster

Goal: Easy access to up-to-date analysis methods (R/Bioconductor)

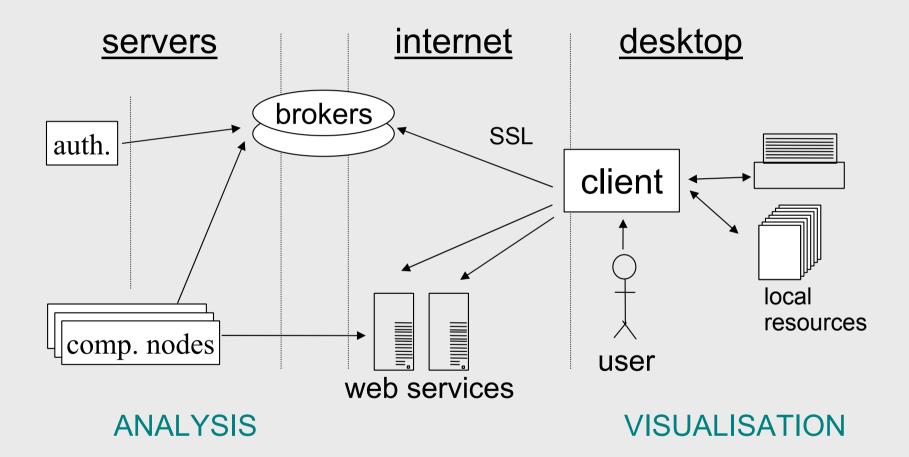
Features

- Easy to use graphical interface
- Comprehensive selection of analysis tools and visualizations
- Support for different array types (Affymetrix, Agilent, Illumina, cDNA)
- Possibility to construct (and share) analysis workflows
- Compatible with Windows, Linux and Mac OS X
- Easy to install and update
- Graphical client program on user's computer sends analysis jobs to central computing servers

> Availability

- Guest accounts for evaluation
- Open source (http://chipster.sourceforge.net)
- http://chipster.csc.fi

System architecture

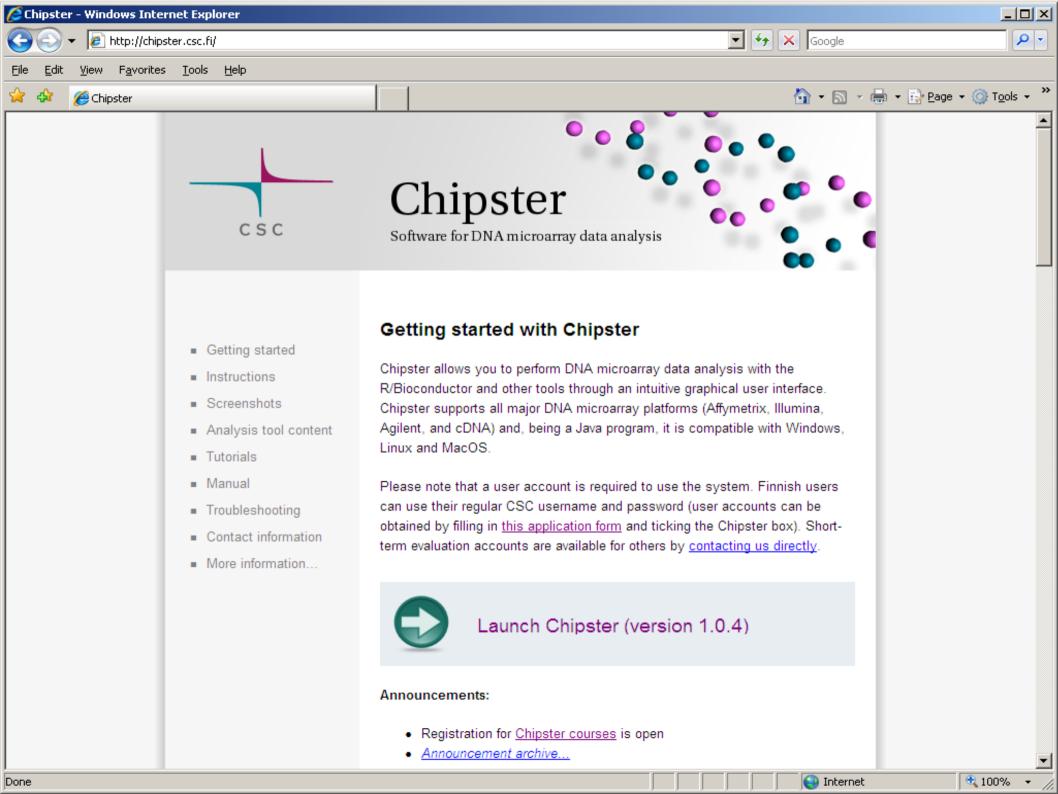


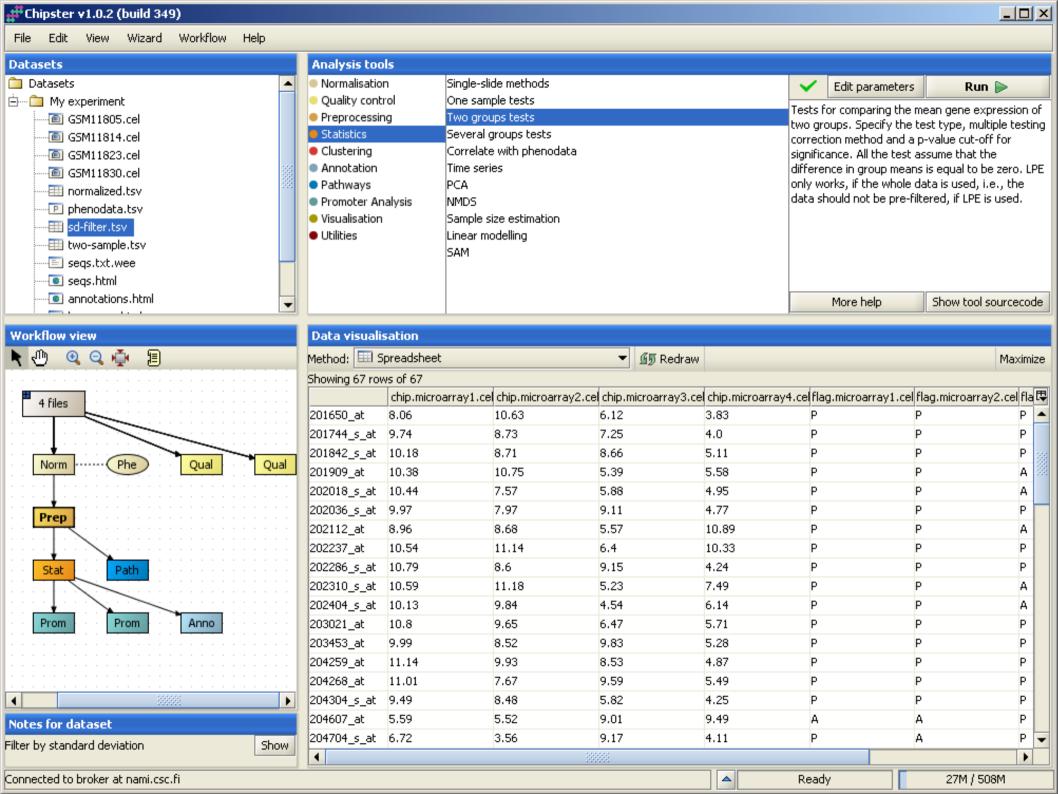
Analysis tool content

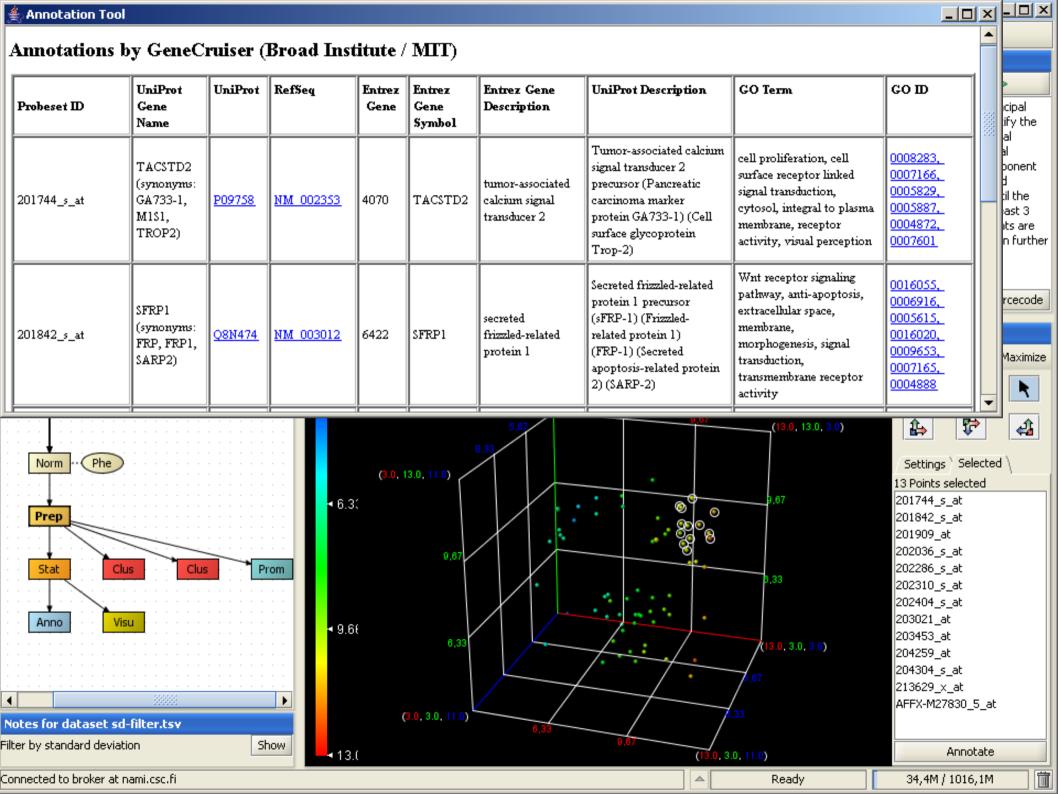
- In addition to the usual analysis tools, such as, normalization, filtering, statistics, clustering and annotations, Chipster provides:
 - Quality control methods for all supported chiptypes
 - Linear (mixed) models for normalization and analysis
 - Bootstrapping of hierarchical clustering results
 - Alternative mappings of the probes on Affymetrix arrays (altCDF)
 - "Gene set enrichment analysis"
 - Promoter analysis
- Support for chiptypes:
 - Affymetrix (3' expression, exon and SNP arrays)
 - Agilent (1-color & 2-color systems)
 - Illumina (expression arrays)
 - Generic cDNA

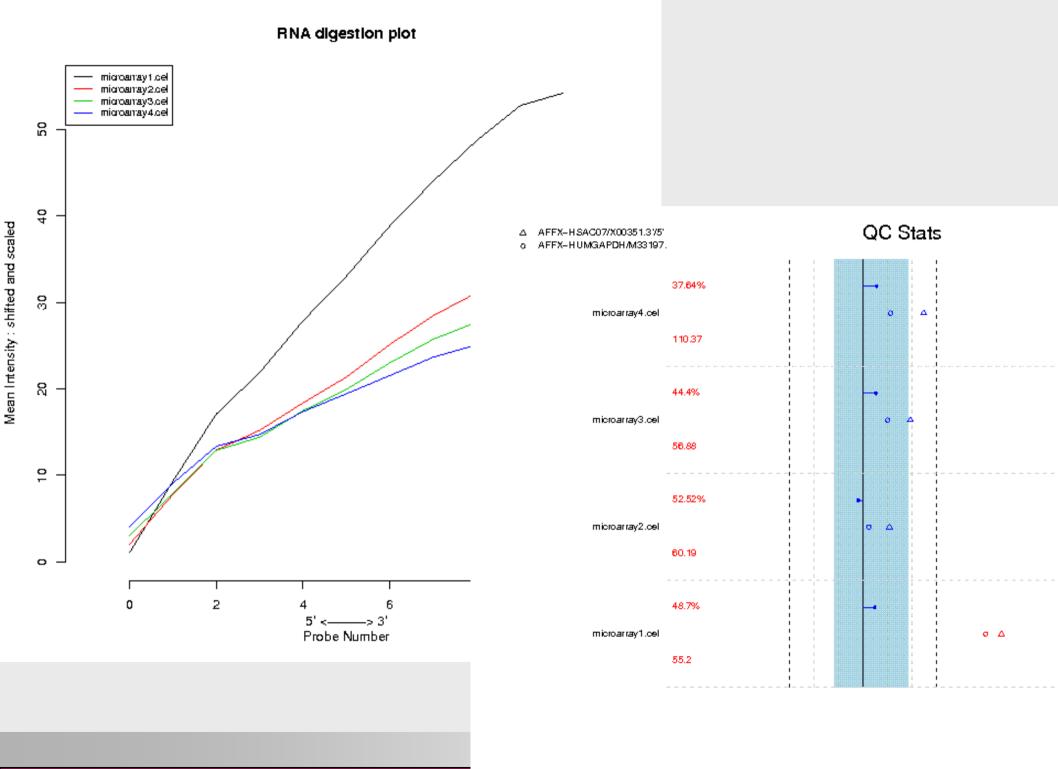
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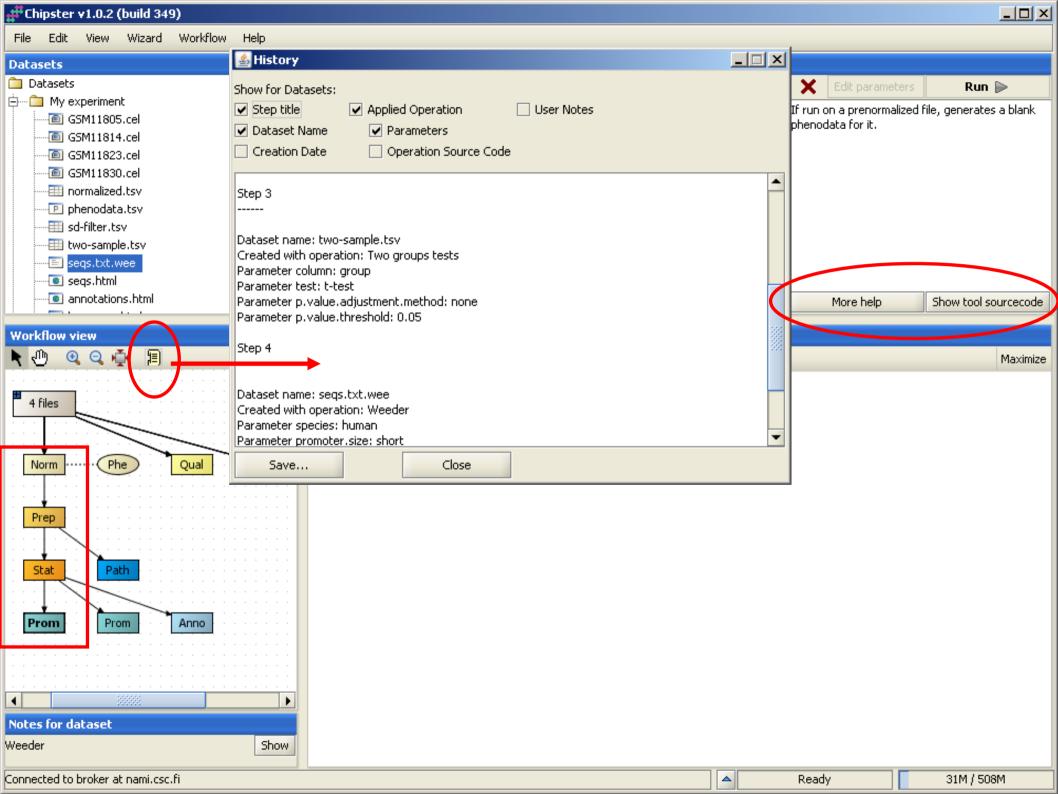
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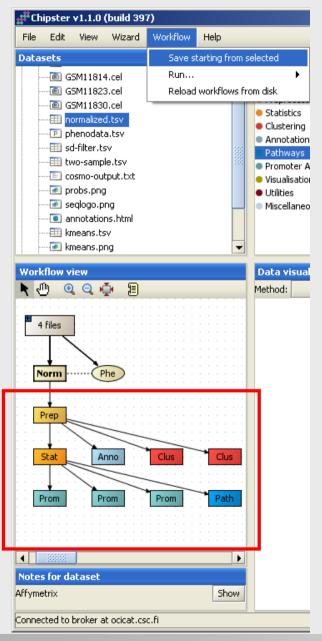








Workflow – reusing your analysis pipeline



- Creates a "macro" that can be applied to another normalized dataset and phenodata
- Choose a dataset, and workflow records the analysis steps starting from it
- Workflows can be shared with other users

Wizard for Affymetrix data

- Ready-made workflow to find differentially expressed genes
 - Normalization
 - Phenodata creation
 - Statistical test
 - Hierarchical clustering

