

# Package ‘TargetScoreData’

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**Title** TargetScoreData

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**Description** Precompiled and processed miRNA-overexpression fold-changes from 84 Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) series corresponding to 6 platforms, 77 human cells or tissues, and 113 distinct miRNAs. Accompanied with the data, we also included in this package the sequence feature scores from TargetScanHuman 6.1 including the context+ score and the probabilities of conserved targeting for each miRNA-mRNA interaction. Thus, the user can use these static sequence-based scores together with user-supplied tissue/cell-specific fold-change due to miRNA overexpression to predict miRNA targets using the package TargetScore (download separately)

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TargetScoreData-package

*Processed human microRNA perturbation data from GEO, and sequence information from TargetScan, and targetScore from TargetScore*

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## Description

To automate the pipeline of calculating targetScore using [targetScore](#), we compiled, processed and generated miRNA-overexpression fold-changes from 84 Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) series corresponding to 6 platforms, 77 human cells or tissues, and 113 distinct miRNAs. To our knowledge, this is by far the largest miRNA-perturbation data compendium. Accompanied with the data, we also included in this package the sequence feature scores from TargetScanHuman 6.1 including the context+ score and the probabilities of conserved targeting for each miRNA-mRNA interaction. Thus, the user can use these static sequence-based scores together with user-supplied tissue/cell-specific fold-change due to miRNA overexpression to predict miRNA targets using [targetScore](#).

## Details

Package: TargetScoreData  
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Date: 2013-07-13  
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`get_TargetScanHuman_contextScore`: TargetScan context score for all of the predicted sites (including conserved and nonconserved sites) downloaded from TargetScan 6 website ([http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data\\_download.cgi?db=vert\\_61](http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data_download.cgi?db=vert_61))

`get_TargetScanHuman_PCT`: TargetScan PCT for all of the predicted sites (including conserved and nonconserved sites) downloaded from TargetScan 6 website ([http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data\\_download.cgi?db=vert\\_61](http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data_download.cgi?db=vert_61))

`get_miRNA_family_info`: Get miRNA family information obtained TargetScanHuman 6

`get_precomputed_targetScores`: Pre-calculated targetScores for 112 miRNAs using logFC and sequence scores from TargetScan context score and PCT from the RData files above.

`get_precomputed_logFC`: We combined all of the logFC data columns into a single N x M matrix for all of the N = 19177 RefSeq mRNAs (NM\_\* obtained from UCSC) and M = 286 datasets. Missing data (logFC) for some genes across studies were imputed using `impute` from `impute.knn`.

`get_miRNA_transfection_data`: Get log fold-changes (logFC) from each study organized in a list with each item corresponding to a miRNA. Notably, some miRNAs (e.g., hsa-miR-1) appear more than once in the list corresponding to different studies.

`get_validated_targets`: Get validated targets of human miRNA obtained from mirTarBase v3.5

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Please follow the GEO series number to find the references for each microRNA-transfection dataset.

## See Also

[get\\_TargetScanHuman\\_contextScore](#), [get\\_TargetScanHuman\\_PCT](#), [get\\_validated\\_targets](#), [get\\_miRNA\\_family\\_info](#), [get\\_precomputed\\_targetScores](#), [get\\_precomputed\\_logFC](#), [get\\_miRNA\\_transfection\\_data](#)

## Examples

```
ls("package:TargetScoreData")
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```
get_miRNA_family_info MicroRNA family information
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## Description

Get human miRNA family information obtained from TargetScanHuman 6 website

## Usage

```
get_miRNA_family_info(datapath = system.file("extdata/miR_Family_Info.txt", package = "TargetScoreData"))
```

## Arguments

datapath            data path

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```
get_miRNA_transfection_data
                          get_miRNA_transfection_data
```

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## Description

Get log fold-changes (logFC) from each study organized in a list with each item corresponding to a miRNA. Notably, some miRNAs (e.g., hsa-miR-1) appear more than once in the list corresponding to different studies.

## Usage

```
get_miRNA_transfection_data(datapath = system.file("extdata/miRNA_transfection_data.RData", package = "TargetScoreData"))
```

**Arguments**

datapath          data path

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`get_precomputed_logFC`    *get\_precomputed\_logFC*

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**Description**

We combined all of the logFC data columns into a single N x M matrix for all of the N = 19177 RefSeq mRNAs (NM\_\* obtained from UCSC) and M = 286 datasets. Missing data (logFC) for some genes across studies were imputed using `impute` from `impute.knn`.

**Usage**

```
get_precomputed_logFC(datapath = system.file("extdata/logFC.RData", package = "TargetScoreData"))
```

**Arguments**

datapath          data path

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`get_precomputed_targetScores`  
*get\_precomputed\_targetScores*

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**Description**

Pre-calculated targetScores for 112 miRNAs using logFC and sequence scores from TargetScan context score and PCT from the RData files above.

**Usage**

```
get_precomputed_targetScores(datapath = system.file("extdata/targetScores.RData", package = "TargetScoreData"))
```

**Arguments**

datapath          data path

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```
get_TargetScanHuman_contextScore
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```

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**Description**

TargetScan context score for all of the predicted sites (including conserved and nonconserved sites) downloaded from TargetScan 6 website ([http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data\\_download.cgi?db=vert\\_61](http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data_download.cgi?db=vert_61))

**Usage**

```
get_TargetScanHuman_contextScore(datapath = system.file("extdata/TargetScanHuman_contextScore.RD
```

**Arguments**

```
datapath      data path
```

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```
get_TargetScanHuman_PCT
    get_TargetScanHuman_PCT
```

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**Description**

TargetScan PCT for all of the predicted sites (including conserved and nonconserved sites) downloaded from TargetScan 6 website ([http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data\\_download.cgi?db=vert\\_61](http://www.targetscan.org/cgi-bin/targetscan/data_download.cgi?db=vert_61))

**Usage**

```
get_TargetScanHuman_PCT(datapath = system.file("extdata/TargetScanHuman_PCT.RData", package = "Tar
```

**Arguments**

```
datapath      data path
```

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```
get_validated_targets  get_validated_targets
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**Description**

Get validated targets of human miRNA obtained from mirTarBase v3.5

**Usage**

```
get_validated_targets(datapath = system.file("extdata/hsa_MTI.xls", package = "TargetScoreData"))
```

**Arguments**

```
datapath      data path
```

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