

# Introduction to the *TPP* package for analyzing Thermal Proteome Profiling data: 2D-TPP experiments

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## Abstract

Thermal Proteome Profiling (*TPP*) combines the cellular thermal shift assay concept [1] with mass spectrometry based proteome-wide protein quantitation [2]. Thereby, drug-target interactions can be inferred from changes in the thermal stability of a protein upon drug binding, or upon downstream cellular regulatory events, in an unbiased manner.

The package *TPP* facilitates this process by providing executable workflows that conduct all necessary data analysis steps. Recent advances in the field have lead to the development of so called 2D Thermal Proteome Profiling (2D-TPP) experiments [3]. Recent advances in the field have lead to the development of so called 2D Thermal Proteome Profiling (2D-TPP) experiments [3]. Similar as for the TPP-TR and the TPP-CCR analysis, the function `analyze2DTTP` executes the whole workflow from data import through normalization and curve fitting to statistical analysis. Nevertheless, all of these steps can also be invoked separately by the user. The corresponding functions can be recognized by their suffix `tpp2d`.

Here, we first show how to start the whole analysis using `analyze2DTTP`. Afterwards, we demonstrate how to carry out single steps individually.

For details about the analysis of 1D TR- or CCR experiments [2, 4], please refer to the vignette `TPP_introduction_1D`.

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## 1 Installation

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To install the package, type the following commands into the *R* console

```
source("http://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
biocLite("TPP")
```

The installed package can be loaded by

```
library("TPP")
```

## 1.1 Special note for Windows users

The *TPP* package uses the *openxlsx* package to produce Excel output [5]. *openxlsx* requires a zip application to be installed on your system and to be included in the path. On Windows, such a zip application is not installed by default, but is available, for example, via [Rtools](#). Without the zip application, you can still use the 'TPP' package and access its results via the dataframes produced by the main functions.

## 2 Analyzing 2D-TPP experiments

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### 2.1 Overview

Before you can start your analysis, you need to specify information about your experiments:

The mandatory information comprises a unique experiment name, as well as the isobaric labels and corresponding temperature values for each experiment. The package retrieves this information from a configuration table that you need to specify before starting the analysis. This table can either be a data frame that you define in your R session, or a spreadsheet in .xlsx or .csv format. In a similar manner, the measurements themselves can either be provided as a list of data frames, or imported directly from files during runtime.

We demonstrate the functionality of the package using the dataset Panobinostat\_2DTTP\_smallExampleData. It contains an illustrative subset of a larger dataset which was obtained by 2D-TPP experiments on HepG2 cells treated with the histone deacetylase (HDAC) inhibitor panobinostat in the treatment groups and with vehicle in the control groups. The experiments were performed for different temperatures. The raw MS data were processed with the Python package isobarQuant, which provides protein fold changes relative to the protein abundance at the lowest temperature as input for the TPP package [3].

### 2.2 Performing the analysis

First of all, we load an example data set:

```
data(panobinostat_2DTTP_smallExample, package = "TPP")
```

Using this command we load two objects:

1. Panobinostat\_2DTTP\_smallExampleData: a list of data frames that contain the measurements to be analyzed,
2. hdac2D\_config: a configuration table with details about each experiment.

```
config_tpp2d <- panobinostat_2DTTP_config
data_tpp2d <- panobinostat_2DTTP_data
```

```
config_tpp2d

##      Compound Experiment Temperature 126 127L 127H 128L 128H 129L 129H 130L 130H 131L
## 1 Panobinostat X020466        42.0   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 2 Panobinostat X020466        44.1   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
## 3 Panobinostat X020467        46.2   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 4 Panobinostat X020467        48.1   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
## 5 Panobinostat X020468        50.4   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 6 Panobinostat X020468        51.9   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
## 7 Panobinostat X020469        54.0   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 8 Panobinostat X020469        56.1   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
## 9 Panobinostat X020470        58.2   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 10 Panobinostat X020470       60.1   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
## 11 Panobinostat X020471       62.4   5   1 0.143 0.02   0   -   -   -   -   -   -
## 12 Panobinostat X020471       63.9   -   -   -   -   -   5   1 0.143 0.02   0
##      RefCol Path
## 1     128H
## 2     131L
## 3     128H
## 4     131L
## 5     128H
## 6     131L
## 7     128H
## 8     131L
## 9     128H
## 10    131L
```

```
## 11    128H
## 12    131L

data_tpp2d %>% str(1)

## List of 6
## $ X020466:'data.frame': 484 obs. of 15 variables:
## $ X020467:'data.frame': 478 obs. of 15 variables:
## $ X020468:'data.frame': 448 obs. of 15 variables:
## $ X020469:'data.frame': 372 obs. of 15 variables:
## $ X020470:'data.frame': 306 obs. of 15 variables:
## $ X020471:'data.frame': 261 obs. of 15 variables:
```

The data object `Panobinostat_2DTPP_smallExampleData` is organized as a list of data frames which contain the experimental raw data of an 2D-TPP experiment. The names of the list elements correspond to the different multiplexed experiments. Each experimental dataset contains the following columns:

```
data_tpp2d$X020466 %>% colnames  
## [1] "clustername"           "representative"      "msexperiment_id"  
## [4] "qupm"                  "qusm"                 "sumionarea_protein_126"  
## [7] "sumionarea_protein_127L" "sumionarea_protein_127H" "sumionarea_protein_128L"  
## [10] "sumionarea_protein_128H" "sumionarea_protein_129L" "sumionarea_protein_129H"  
## [13] "sumionarea_protein_130L" "sumionarea_protein_130H" "sumionarea_protein_131L"
```

In order to perform the complete workflow we can now simply use:



```

## Warning in function.list[[k]](value):  NAs introduced by coercion
tpp2dResults %>% mutate_if(is.character, factor) %>% summary

##             Protein_ID   norm_rel_fc_protein_0_unmodified
## X020466_42_IPI00000001.2: 1   Min.    :1
## X020466_42_IPI00000005.1: 1   1st Qu.:1
## X020466_42_IPI00000690.1: 1   Median  :1
## X020466_42_IPI00000811.2: 1   Mean    :1
## X020466_42_IPI00000875.7: 1   3rd Qu.:1
## X020466_42_IPI00001466.2: 1   Max.    :1
## (Other)                 :4650
## norm_rel_fc_protein_0.02_unmodified norm_rel_fc_protein_0.143_unmodified
## Min.    :0.1767                  Min.    :0.2612
## 1st Qu.:0.9192                  1st Qu.:0.9364
## Median :1.0000                  Median :1.0000
## Mean    :1.0035                  Mean    :1.0105
## 3rd Qu.:1.0727                  3rd Qu.:1.0632
## Max.    :4.6565                  Max.    :5.8855
##
##             norm_rel_fc_protein_1_unmodified norm_rel_fc_protein_5_unmodified
## Min.    : 0.2422                  Min.    : 0.2512
## 1st Qu.: 0.9344                  1st Qu.: 0.9337
## Median : 1.0000                  Median : 1.0000
## Mean    : 1.0163                  Mean    : 1.0259
## 3rd Qu.: 1.0654                  3rd Qu.: 1.0589
## Max.    :10.0240                 Max.    :17.0405
##
##             norm_rel_fc_protein_0_normalized_to_lowest_conc
## Min.    :1
## 1st Qu.:1
## Median :1
## Mean    :1
## 3rd Qu.:1
## Max.    :1
##
##             norm_rel_fc_protein_0.02_normalized_to_lowest_conc
## Min.    :0.1767
## 1st Qu.:0.9192
## Median :1.0000
## Mean    :1.0035
## 3rd Qu.:1.0727
## Max.    :4.6565
##
##             norm_rel_fc_protein_0.143_normalized_to_lowest_conc
## Min.    :0.2612
## 1st Qu.:0.9364
## Median :1.0000
## Mean    :1.0105
## 3rd Qu.:1.0632
## Max.    :5.8855
##
##             norm_rel_fc_protein_1_normalized_to_lowest_conc

```

```

## Min. : 0.2422
## 1st Qu.: 0.9344
## Median : 1.0000
## Mean   : 1.0163
## 3rd Qu.: 1.0654
## Max.   :10.0240
##
## norm_rel_fc_protein_5_normalized_to_lowest_conc norm_rel_fc_protein_0_transformed
## Min. : 0.2512                         Min. :0.000
## 1st Qu.: 0.9337                         1st Qu.:0.000
## Median : 1.0000                         Median :1.000
## Mean   : 1.0259                         Mean   :0.621
## 3rd Qu.: 1.0589                         3rd Qu.:1.000
## Max.   :17.0405                         Max.   :1.000
## NA's   :4421                           NA's   :4421
## norm_rel_fc_protein_0.02_transformed norm_rel_fc_protein_0.143_transformed
## Min. : -0.884                          Min. : -1.201
## 1st Qu.: -0.154                         1st Qu.: 0.086
## Median : 0.297                          Median : 0.376
## Mean   : 0.302                          Mean   : 0.400
## 3rd Qu.: 0.614                          3rd Qu.: 0.662
## Max.   : 2.542                          Max.   : 3.294
## NA's   :4421                           NA's   :4421
## norm_rel_fc_protein_1_transformed norm_rel_fc_protein_5_transformed      pEC50
## Min. : -0.961                          Min. :0.000                         Min. :5.728
## 1st Qu.: 0.095                          1st Qu.:0.000                         1st Qu.:6.696
## Median : 0.313                          Median :0.000                         Median :7.778
## Mean   : 0.400                          Mean   :0.379                         Mean   :7.346
## 3rd Qu.: 0.652                          3rd Qu.:1.000                         3rd Qu.:8.126
## Max.   : 2.925                          Max.   :1.000                         Max.   :8.126
## NA's   :4421                           NA's   :4421                         NA's   :4421
## slope          R_sq        plot       compound_effect meets_FC_requirement
## Min. : -50.000                         Min. : -0.068                         NA's:4656 destabilized: 146 Mode :logical
## 1st Qu.: -10.804                        1st Qu.: 0.545                         NA's:4656 stabilized : 89 FALSE:4537
## Median : -1.000                          Median : 0.723                         NA's     :4421 TRUE  :119
## Mean   : -8.302                          Mean   : 0.675
## 3rd Qu.:  1.159                          3rd Qu.: 0.881
## Max.   : 50.000                          Max.   : 1.000
## NA's   :4421                           NA's   :4421
## passed_filter  pEC50_outside_conc_range model_converged      pEC50_quality_check
## Mode :logical  Mode :logical           Mode:logical    5.72818301656452: 12
## FALSE:4601    FALSE:111              TRUE:235       6.07074587494624:  6
## TRUE :55      TRUE :124              NA's:4421       7.44099730847312:  6
##                      NA's :4421
##                      NA's :4421
##                      NA's :4421
##                      NA's :4421
## sufficient_data_for_fit protein_identified_in representative qupm
## Mode:logical      Mode:logical           IPI00000001.2: 12 Min.   : 1.000
## TRUE:235         TRUE:4656             IPI00000005.1: 12 1st Qu.: 3.000
## NA's:4421
##                      IPI00000690.1: 12 Median  : 7.000
##                      IPI00000811.2: 12 Mean    : 9.149
##                      IPI00000875.7: 12 3rd Qu.:12.000
##                      IPI00001914.1: 12 Max.    :87.000
##                      (Other)      :4584
## qusm            clustername  sumionarea_protein_5 sumionarea_protein_1
## Min.   : 1.00  A2M      : 12   Min.   :2.063e+05  Min.   :3.819e+05
## 1st Qu.: 5.00  ABHD10 : 12   1st Qu.:7.696e+07  1st Qu.:7.604e+07

```

```

## Median : 11.00  AC001  : 12  Median :2.511e+08  Median :2.512e+08
## Mean   : 19.57  AC01   : 12  Mean   :7.182e+08  Mean   :7.542e+08
## 3rd Qu.: 23.00  AC02   : 12  3rd Qu.:7.382e+08  3rd Qu.:7.682e+08
## Max.   :263.00  ACTC1  : 12  Max.   :2.125e+10  Max.   :2.138e+10
##                   (Other):4584
## sumionarea_protein_0.143 sumionarea_protein_0.02 sumionarea_protein_0  temperature
## Min.   :3.579e+05      Min.   :4.335e+05      Min.   :2.925e+05      Min.   :42.0
## 1st Qu.:8.079e+07      1st Qu.:8.401e+07      1st Qu.:7.345e+07      1st Qu.:46.2
## Median :2.591e+08      Median :2.739e+08      Median :2.574e+08      Median :50.4
## Mean   :7.554e+08      Mean   :8.100e+08      Mean   :8.599e+08      Mean   :51.6
## 3rd Qu.:7.857e+08      3rd Qu.:8.331e+08      3rd Qu.:8.554e+08      3rd Qu.:56.1
## Max.   :1.924e+10      Max.   :2.249e+10      Max.   :2.644e+10      Max.   :63.9
##
## experiment  rel_fc_protein_5  rel_fc_protein_1  rel_fc_protein_0.143
## X020466:968  Min.   : 0.3487  Min.   :0.2985  Min.   :0.3887
## X020467:950  1st Qu.: 0.7894  1st Qu.:0.8231  1st Qu.:0.8156
## X020468:894  Median  : 0.8964  Median  :0.9197  Median  :0.9415
## X020469:738  Mean    : 0.9935  Mean    :0.9753  Mean    :1.0187
## X020470:600  3rd Qu.: 1.0878  3rd Qu.:1.0588  3rd Qu.:1.1447
## X020471:506  Max.   :17.1835  Max.   :8.6463  Max.   :6.2354
##
## rel_fc_protein_0.02 rel_fc_protein_0
## Min.   : 0.1882  Min.   :1
## 1st Qu.: 0.8413  1st Qu.:1
## Median : 0.9601  Median :1
## Mean   : 1.0974  Mean   :1
## 3rd Qu.: 1.2027  3rd Qu.:1
## Max.   :10.0917  Max.   :1
##

```

Moreover, we can also invoke the single functions of the workflow manually. Therefore, we start with importing the data. Using the import function the data is subsequently imported and stored in a single dataframe containing all the required data columns and those that the user likes to take along through the analysis to be displayed together with the results of this workflow.



```

## Warning in function.list[[k]](value):  NAs introduced by coercion
## head(data2d)

##   representative  qupm  qusm clustername sumionarea_protein_5 sumionarea_protein_1
## 1  IPI00000001.2    15    25      STAU1      1193994914      1337957734
## 2  IPI00000001.2    15    25      STAU1      1272771185      1473572092
## 3  IPI00000001.2    13    22      STAU1      1482437522      1513181000
## 4  IPI00000001.2    13    22      STAU1      1157290962      1050288621
## 5  IPI00000001.2    15    24      STAU1      396823892       458022616
## 6  IPI00000001.2    15    24      STAU1      345169960       350182409
##   sumionarea_protein_0.143 sumionarea_protein_0.02 sumionarea_protein_0 temperature
## 1            1375948494          1956350223        1801848318      42.0
## 2            1273285951          1669312103        1404292404      44.1
## 3            1284434575          1487032006        1422365645      46.2
## 4            1110810226          1128507681        999666282      48.1
## 5            453860821           412257039        439399665      50.4
## 6            352193788          344410388        309019704      51.9
##   experiment          unique_ID
## 1     X020466  X020466_42_IPI00000001.2
## 2     X020466  X020466_44.1_IPI00000001.2

```

```

## 3 X020467 X020467_46.2_IPI00000001.2
## 4 X020467 X020467_48.1_IPI00000001.2
## 5 X020468 X020468_50.4_IPI00000001.2
## 6 X020468 X020468_51.9_IPI00000001.2

attr(data2d, "importSettings")

## $proteinIdCol
## [1] "representative"
##
## $uniqueIdCol
## [1] "unique_ID"
##
## $addCol
## [1] "clustername"
##
## $intensityStr
## [1] "sumionarea_protein_"
##
## $qualColName
## [1] "qupm"
##
## $nonZeroCols
## [1] "qusm"
##
## $fcStr
## NULL

```

If we haven't computed fold changes from the raw "sumionarea" data, as it is the case in this example, we can invoke the function `tpp2dComputeFoldChanges` in order to do so:

```
fcData2d <- tpp2dComputeFoldChanges(data = data2d)
```

Thereon the function adds additional columns to our dataframe containing corresponding fold changes:

```

head(fcData2d)

##   representative qupm qusm clustername sumionarea_protein_5 sumionarea_protein_1
## 1 IPI00000001.2   15   25     STAU1      1193994914      1337957734
## 2 IPI00000001.2   15   25     STAU1      1272771185      1473572092
## 3 IPI00000001.2   13   22     STAU1      1482437522      1513181000
## 4 IPI00000001.2   13   22     STAU1      1157290962      1050288621
## 5 IPI00000001.2   15   24     STAU1      396823892       458022616
## 6 IPI00000001.2   15   24     STAU1      345169960       350182409
##   sumionarea_protein_0.143 sumionarea_protein_0.02 sumionarea_protein_0 temperature
## 1             1375948494          1956350223        1801848318      42.0
## 2             1273285951          1669312103        1404292404      44.1
## 3             1284434575          1487032006        1422365645      46.2
## 4             1110810226          1128507681        999666282       48.1
## 5             453860821           412257039        439399665       50.4
## 6             352193788           344410388        309019704       51.9
##   experiment           unique_ID rel_fc_5 rel_fc_1 rel_fc_0.143 rel_fc_0.02
## 1 X020466 X020466_42_IPI00000001.2 0.6626501 0.7425474  0.7636317  1.0857463
## 2 X020466 X020466_44.1_IPI00000001.2 0.9063434 1.0493342  0.9067100  1.1887212
## 3 X020467 X020467_46.2_IPI00000001.2 1.0422338 1.0638481  0.9030270  1.0454640
## 4 X020467 X020467_48.1_IPI00000001.2 1.1576773 1.0506392  1.1111810  1.1288844
## 5 X020468 X020468_50.4_IPI00000001.2 0.9031047 1.0423827  1.0329112  0.9382279
## 6 X020468 X020468_51.9_IPI00000001.2 1.1169837 1.1332041  1.1397130  1.1145257
##   rel_fc_0
## 1      1
## 2      1

```

```
## 3      1
## 4      1
## 5      1
## 6      1
```

We can then normalize the data by performing a median normalization on the fold changes, in order to account for experiment specific noise.

```
normData2d <- tpp2dNormalize(data = fcData2d)
head(normData2d)

##   representative qupm qusm clustername sumionarea_protein_5 sumionarea_protein_1
## 1 IPI00000001.2    15    25     STAU1        1193994914        1337957734
## 2 IPI00000001.2    15    25     STAU1        1272771185        1473572092
## 3 IPI00000001.2    13    22     STAU1        1482437522        1513181000
## 4 IPI00000001.2    13    22     STAU1        1157290962        1050288621
## 5 IPI00000001.2    15    24     STAU1        396823892         458022616
## 6 IPI00000001.2    15    24     STAU1        345169960        350182409
##   sumionarea_protein_0.143 sumionarea_protein_0.02 sumionarea_protein_0 temperature
## 1                 1375948494          1956350223        1801848318       42.0
## 2                 1273285951          1669312103        1404292404       44.1
## 3                 1284434575          1487032006        1422365645       46.2
## 4                 1110810226          1128507681        999666282        48.1
## 5                 453860821           412257039        439399665        50.4
## 6                 352193788           344410388        309019704        51.9
##   experiment           unique_ID rel_fc_5 rel_fc_1 rel_fc_0.143 rel_fc_0.02
## 1 X020466 X020466_42_IPI00000001.2 0.6626501 0.7425474 0.7636317 1.0857463
## 2 X020466 X020466_44.1_IPI00000001.2 0.9063434 1.0493342 0.9067100 1.1887212
## 3 X020467 X020467_46.2_IPI00000001.2 1.0422338 1.0638481 0.9030270 1.0454640
## 4 X020467 X020467_48.1_IPI00000001.2 1.1576773 1.0506392 1.1111810 1.1288844
## 5 X020468 X020468_50.4_IPI00000001.2 0.9031047 1.0423827 1.0329112 0.9382279
## 6 X020468 X020468_51.9_IPI00000001.2 1.1169837 1.1332041 1.1397130 1.1145257
##   rel_fc_0 norm_rel_fc_5 norm_rel_fc_1 norm_rel_fc_0.143 norm_rel_fc_0.02 norm_rel_fc_0
## 1      1     1.107187     1.059331     1.105019     1.244416      1
## 2      1     1.114453     1.164559     1.022695     1.195813      1
## 3      1     1.187727     1.229422     1.078735     1.211522      1
## 4      1     1.249516     1.147406     1.108487     1.329434      1
## 5      1     1.123552     1.268366     1.267164     1.256324      1
## 6      1     1.171933     1.176446     1.158041     1.163566      1
```

To run the TPP-CCR main function on our 2D-TPP data we now invoke:

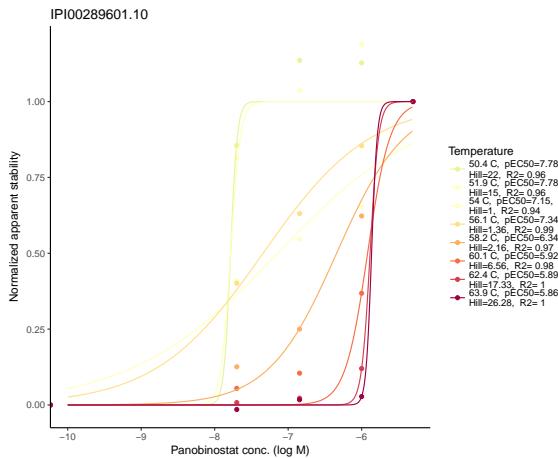
```
ccr2dResults <- tpp2dCurveFit(data = normData2d)
```

Now we can plot the curves for any of the proteins for which at least one CCR curve could be fitted. In this case we choose HDAC2:

```
drPlots <- tpp2dCreateDRplots(data = ccr2dResults, type = "good")

# Find IPI id for HDAC2 (in column representative):
IPI_id_HDAC2 <- unique(filter(ccr2dResults, clustername == "HDAC2")$representative)

# Show corresponding plot:
drPlots[[IPI_id_HDAC2]]
```



And we can also plot the single curves for each of the proteins with:

```
drPlotsByTemperature <- tpp2dCreateDRplots(data = ccr2dResults, type = "single")
drPlotsByTemperature[[IPI_id_HDAC2]][["54"]]
```

## 2.3 Quality control analyses

In order to access the quality of the experimental 2D-TPP data set acquired in a specific cell line, we recommend to compare the data with vehicle TR experiments (at least two replicates) of the same cell line. For the analysis of this data we supply a QC-workflow that enables comparison of treatment and non-treatment samples with reference data.

In order to start this workflow the first thing we need to do, is to generate a cell line specific TR reference object. We also need to specify the result path where this object should be stored:

```
resultPath = file.path(getwd(), 'Panobinostat_Vignette_Example_2D')
if (!file.exists(resultPath)) dir.create(resultPath, recursive = TRUE)

trConfig <- file.path(system.file("example_data", package="TPP"),
                      "2D_example_data/panobinostat_ex_config.csv")

tpp2dCreateTPTRreference(trConfigTable = trConfig,
                        resultPath = resultPath,
                        outputName = "desired_file_name",
                        createFCboxplots = FALSE)
```

For the purpose of explaining this workflow, we will use a reference data set of a HepG2 cell line supplied with this package. Originating from this object we can now perform various quality control steps. First of all by setting the `createFCboxplots` flag to true, we can generate box plot melting curves of the reference data which are first of all informative of the quality of the reference data and illustrate melting behavior of all proteins without any treatment.

Calling the function will generate a couple of output files in the indicated output directory.

- The `tppRefData.RData` file is the most important one. This is the file that has to be referenced by indication of a system path to this file when calling functions to generate the 2D-TPP spline plots and perform an F test. When loaded in R the object `tppRefData` represents a list with the following elements:
  - `tppCfgTable`: the TPP-TR configtable which was used for generating this object
  - `sumResTable` a list of two elements:
    - `detail`: the exact result data from the TR analysis and
    - `summary`: a summary of the analyzed TR data comprising the median and standard deviation values of the measurements at the different temperatures (encoded by the isobaric labels)
  - `temperatures`: a table listing the temperatures which were used in the TR experiment in the different replicates
    - `lblsByTemp`: a table matching each temperature to an isobaric label
  - An excel file which summarizes the data present in `tppRefData` on different sheets

- Textfiles representing the sheets of the excel file as plain text
- `normalizedData.RData` containing the TPP-TR data after normalization
- `resultTable.RData` containing the TPP-TR analysis result table

Secondly, we can generate plots which visualize the melting point temperatures of the 2D-TPP data in comparison to the TR reference data. Here we demonstrate this function on a subset of the proteins:

```
# set the system path for the HepG2 TR reference data set:
trRef <- file.path(system.file("data", package="TPP"), "TPPTR_reference_results_HepG2.RData")

plotData <- ccr2dResults %>% filter(clustername %in% IPI_id_HDAC2)

pEC50QC_HDAC1 <- tpp2dPlotQCpEC50(resultTable = plotData,
                                       resultPath = resultPath,
                                       trRef = trRef,
                                       idVar = "representative")

print(pEC50QC_HDAC1)
## named list()
```

We have therefore used the `ccr2dResults` data frame which we previously generated by invoking the TPP-CCR routine and the the respective configTable.

Moreover, we can generate plots that visualize the distributions of fold changes over the different treatment concentrations and temperatures and how the normalization affected them (of course only if we previously performed a normalization). The function automatically also visualizes various other characteristics of the data, such as how proteins behave in neighboring temperatures which are multiplexed. It can be invoked as follows:

```
tpp2dPlotQChist(configFile = config_tpp2d,
                  resultTable = ccr2dResults,
                  resultPath = resultPath,
                  trRef = trRef,
                  idVar = "representative")
dir(resultPath)
## [1] "qc_Histograms"
```

## 2.4 Spline fits of treatment effects over temperature

In order to access whether the drug treatment has a significant impact on altering the thermal stability of specific proteins a function was implemented which illustrates the course of stability of a certain protein over different temperatures based on a reference data set. A natural cubic spline fitted to the reference data is then used to infer the relative stability curves of proteins with different concentrations of treatment which are in turn fitted by natural cubic splines. The cubic spline with  $n$  degrees of freedom on  $[a, b]$  obeys:

- $S(x) \in C^2[a, b]$
- $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b$

and:

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} S_0(x) = a_0x^3 + b_0x^2 + c_0x + d_0, & t_0 \leq x \leq t_1 \\ S_1(x) = a_1x^3 + b_1x^2 + c_1x + d_1, & t_1 \leq x \leq t_2 \\ \vdots \\ S_{n-1}(x) = a_{n-1}x^3 + b_{n-1}x^2 + c_{n-1}x + d_{n-1}, & t_{n-1} \leq x \leq t_n \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

a *natural cubic spline* additionally contrains that it's function has to be linear beyond the boundary knots with constrains that both the first and the last section of the cubic spline has to be linear.

The function to perform this analysis can be invoked by:

```
analysisResults <- tpp2dSplineFitAndTest(data = normData2d,
                                         dataRef = trRef,
                                         refIDVar = "Protein_ID",
                                         refFcStr = "norm_rel_fc_protein_",
                                         doPlot = FALSE,
                                         resultPath = resultPath,
                                         nCores = 1)

head(analysisResults)

##   representative qupm qusm clustername sumionarea_protein_5 sumionarea_protein_1
## 1 IPI00000001.2    15   25     STAU1      1193994914      1337957734
## 2 IPI00000001.2    15   25     STAU1      1272771185      1473572092
## 3 IPI00000001.2    13   22     STAU1      1482437522      1513181000
## 4 IPI00000001.2    13   22     STAU1      1157290962      1050288621
## 5 IPI00000001.2    15   24     STAU1      396823892       458022616
## 6 IPI00000001.2    15   24     STAU1      345169960      350182409
##   sumionarea_protein_0.143 sumionarea_protein_0.02 sumionarea_protein_0 temperature
## 1             1375948494            1956350223      1801848318      42.0
## 2             1273285951            1669312103      1404292404      44.1
## 3             1284434575            1487032006      1422365645      46.2
## 4             1110810226            1128507681      999666282       48.1
## 5             453860821             412257039      439399665       50.4
## 6             352193788             344410388      309019704       51.9
##   experiment           unique_ID rel_fc_5 rel_fc_1 rel_fc_0.143 rel_fc_0.02
## 1 X020466 X020466_42_IPI00000001.2 0.6626501 0.7425474 0.7636317 1.0857463
## 2 X020466 X020466_44.1_IPI00000001.2 0.9063434 1.0493342 0.9067100 1.1887212
## 3 X020467 X020467_46.2_IPI00000001.2 1.0422338 1.0638481 0.9030270 1.0454640
## 4 X020467 X020467_48.1_IPI00000001.2 1.1576773 1.0506392 1.1111810 1.1288844
## 5 X020468 X020468_50.4_IPI00000001.2 0.9031047 1.0423827 1.0329112 0.9382279
## 6 X020468 X020468_51.9_IPI00000001.2 1.1169837 1.1332041 1.1397130 1.1145257
##   rel_fc_0 norm_rel_fc_5 norm_rel_fc_1 norm_rel_fc_0.143 norm_rel_fc_0.02 norm_rel_fc_0
## 1     1     1.107187     1.059331     1.105019     1.244416     1
## 2     1     1.114453     1.164559     1.022695     1.195813     1
## 3     1     1.187727     1.229422     1.078735     1.211522     1
## 4     1     1.249516     1.147406     1.108487     1.329434     1
## 5     1     1.123552     1.268366     1.267164     1.256324     1
## 6     1     1.171933     1.176446     1.158041     1.163566     1
##   F_statistic F_moderated F_scaled residual_df_H1 prior_df_H1 df1 df2 df2_moderated
## 1   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
## 2   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
## 3   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
## 4   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
## 5   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
## 6   6.006917    188.3243  9.416217          35     2.581745  20  35     37.58174
##   posterior_var_H1          p_NPARC p_adj_NPARC
## 1 0.0003455887 3.140386e-09 3.50153e-07
## 2 0.0003455887 3.140386e-09 3.50153e-07
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```

Moreover, these fits can be used then, in order to access confidence on whether the curves fitting the relative treatment data points represent the data better than a model which does not distinguish between the different treatment concentrations. The confidence assessment is thereby based on a moderated F statistic adapted from a method by Storey and others [6] which they developed for microarray time course data. The method calculates a

moderated F statistic following:

$$F = \frac{SS_0 - SS_1}{\tilde{s}^2(\sigma^2, df_2)} \quad (2)$$

with  $SS_0$  representing the sum of squares of the null model (fitting the data without distinguishing between different treatment concentrations) and  $SS_1$  those of the full model (which fits the data by in this case 5 different splines for every treatment concentration respectively). With  $\tilde{s}^2$  representing the empirical Bayes estimator for  $SS_1$ , with  $df_2 = n - \nu_1$ , where  $\nu_1$  denoted the parameters of the full model and  $n$  denotes the number of data points.

```
analysisResults %>% filter(representative == IPI_id_HDAC2) %>%
  select(temperature, p_NPARC, p_adj_NPARC)

##   temperature p_NPARC p_adj_NPARC
## 1        42.0      0         0
## 2        44.1      0         0
## 3        46.2      0         0
## 4        48.1      0         0
## 5        50.4      0         0
## 6        51.9      0         0
## 7        54.0      0         0
## 8        56.1      0         0
## 9        58.2      0         0
## 10       60.1      0         0
## 11       62.4      0         0
## 12       63.9      0         0
```

By defining the `methods` argument to include "splineFit", one prompts the main function `analyze2DTPP` to directly perform spline fits and a moderated F-test for each protein in the data set.

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