

Combined GWAS and TWAS using SVEN

Genomewide association studies (GWAS) and transcriptomewide association studies (TWAS) help understand the genetic bases of phenotypic variation in species. Although GWAS and TWAS results can be combined using Fisher's Combined Test, the statistical power to detect causal genes could be increased by combining GWAS and TWAS through a single model. This workshop aims to equip you with a tool for combining GWAS and TWAS using a hierarchical Bayesian method called SVEN. In addition to computational scalability, SVEN comes with the theoretical guarantee that both the false negative and the false positive rates converge to zero with increasing sample size.

The workshop will cover:

1. Fundamental of Bayesian hierarchical models in association studies
2. Demonstration of SVEN from R package bravo using data from a maize panel
3. Hands-on experience in using SVEN under the R statistical software

By the end of the workshop series, you'll be able to:

1. Understand the marginal inclusion probability as an alternative to the p-value
2. Use SVEN to analyze your dataset
3. Summarize and visualize the output from SVEN

Presenters:



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Purpose:

Hands-on training in combined GWAS and TWAS using SVEN from R package bravo.

Register for this Zoom virtual workshop:

<https://tinyurl.com/AG2PI-w26>

Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the meeting.

A recording will be available at a later date at: www.ag2pi.org.

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