

# Generate SPM table reports (almost) automatically

## ac\_spm\_list.m function

The file for this function lives in /usr/local/spm8/ac\_spm\_list.m on unica.

From the “help” comments:

```
%function varargout = ac_spm_list(varargin)
%
% ADC's version of spm_list.m for hacking to match his will.
% Begun 2014.8.20
% Last updated 2015.3.10 by adc
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%
% Easiest way to use this function:
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% 1) evaluate a contrast using the "Results"
% button in the main SPM GUI window. This will prompt you to select an
% SPM.mat file and a contrast, and to specify the contrast title (name),
% statistical threshold and cluster threshold ("k"). After completing
% these steps, there will be a variable called "xSPM" in the matlab
% workspace. Then you can enter one of the commands below on the matlab
% command line.
%
% 2) type this:
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% ac_spm_list('CSVList',spm_list('table',xSPM),xSPM);
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%
% for CSV mode:
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% ac_spm_list('CSVList',TabDat,xSPM[,OutFileName])
%
% can produce TabDat within ac_spm_list() arg list:
%   ac_spm_list('CSVList',spm_list('table',xSPM),xSPM[,OutFileName]);
%
% OutFileName arg. is optional. CSV output file will be written to current
% working directory unless full path specified as part of OutFileName.
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```
%  
% If OutFileName omitted, output file will still be written with default  
% name that has no whitespaces nor parens:  
%   OutFileName = [contrast title]_[p-thresh]_clust[cluster k]  
%  
% Alternative to using SPM GUI "Results" button:  
%   Use command: [SPM,xSPM] = spm_getSPM  
%   This is prompt you to enter the data using the same GUI windows, but  
%   without having to use that button.
```

## Links for more info

[HOWTO print out SPM table](#)

[MNI Space Utility for automated anatomical labeling in SPM](#)

## Development Notes

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ADC would like to have a matlab script that generates a file with comma-separated values for an SPM results table, preferably with two extra columns at the end that list 1) Brodmann areas and 2) the most specific level labels from MNI space tool, taldaemon, or somesuch.

ADC made a copy of spm\_list.m in unica:/usr/local/spm8/ called ac\_spm\_list.m. It turns out that the end of that function file includes code for a CSV mode, but it won't work unless modified. For example, it will output a file but the file name is specified by an undefined variable ("tempname"). So ADC will hack ac\_spm\_list.m and try running ac\_spm\_list('CSVList',TabDat). TabDat var. itself is generated by a standard call to spm\_list.m.

Plan for making such a script:

Incorporate parts of ihb\_MniSpace.m into ac\_spm\_list.m

Need to:

- Change main report loop in ihb\_MniSpace.m so that it finds the label with the max cluster ratio and prints that label only.
- Change main report loop so that it only prints levels 3 (most specific cortical label) and BA.
- Change code from ihb\_MniSpace.m to refer to xSPM directly.
- Need to match clusters as they are identified by ihb\_MniSpace.m (sequentially in order given by spm\_clusters(xSPM.XYZ) to match order of SPM table (ordered by t-score??)
- Need to check whether the one chosen label is "Unidentified," and if so check for existence of other

more informative labels with cluster ratio above some threshold.

For future:

- Add column that gives ratio of gray/white matter cluster percentages from MSU.m

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Did all those things!

Here's the commands that I ran on the matlab command line after using the SPM8 "Results" button:

```
TabDat = spm_list('table',xSPM); ac_spm_list_TEST('CSVList',TabDat,xSPM);
```

Then the file is automatically named (contrast - p thresh - cluster num).csv and saved to same folder as the SPM.mat.

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Update:

Saved ac\_spm\_list\_TEST.m as ac\_spm\_list.m

Good syntax to use:

```
ac_spm_list('CSVList',spm_list('table',xSPM),xSPM);
```

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Changed ac\_spm\_list.m and ac\_ihb\_MniSpace.m to correct error that led to too many "Unidentified" labels being included before. Also added extra column at end, so that now see proportion of cluster that falls within listed BA.

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Elaborated the top of the "help" comments for ac\_spm\_list.m (in /usr/local/spm8/). It now includes instructions about the need to evaluate a contrast using the "Results" button in SPM in order to create the xSPM variable in the matlab workspace. The function requires this variable to work.

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