



# **The developer toolkit**

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To develop an R/Bioc package, developers must be careful of the weather...

<https://contributions.bioconductor.org/use-devel.html#use-devel>

Package authors should develop against the version of R that will be available to users when the Bioconductor devel branch becomes the Bioconductor release branch.

R has a '.y' release in x.y.z every year (typically mid-April), but Bioconductor has a .y release (where current devel becomes release) every 6 months (mid-April and mid-October).

This means that:

- from mid-October through mid-April, Bioconductor developers should be developing against R-devel
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R/BIOC VERSION**

- In April, Bioconductor developers should be using R/Bioc 3.12.0. In mid-October, developers should use R-release for Bioconductor development.

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- For programmatic use, such as inside another package, developers should **NOT** depend on devtools, but should instead access functions via the package that is their primary home.

```
pkgload::load_all()
```

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devtools' NAMESPACE:

```
importFrom(cli,cat_bullet)
importFrom(cli,cat_rule)
importFrom(ellipsis,check_dots_used)
importFrom(lifecycle,deprecated)
importFrom(memoise,memoise)
importFrom(miniUI,miniPage)
importFrom(pkgbuild,clean_dll)
importFrom(pkgbuild,find_rtools)
importFrom(pkgbuild,has_devel)
importFrom(pkgbuild,with_debug)
importFrom(pkgload,check_dep_version)
importFrom(pkgload,parse_deps)
importFrom(pkgload,unload)
importFrom(profvis,profvis)
importFrom(remotes,dev_package_deps)
importFrom(remotes,github_pull)
importFrom(remotes,github_release)
importFrom(remotes,install_bioc)
importFrom(remotes,install_bitbucket)
importFrom(remotes,install_cran)
importFrom(remotes,install_dev)
importFrom(remotes,install_git)
importFrom(remotes,install_github)
```

```
importFrom(remotes,install_gitlab)
importFrom(remotes,install_local)
importFrom(remotes,install_svn)
importFrom(remotes,install_url)
importFrom(remotes,install_version)
importFrom(remotes,update_packages)
importFrom(sessioninfo,package_info)
importFrom(sessioninfo,session_info)
importFrom(stats,update)
importFrom(urlchecker,url_check)
importFrom(usethis,ui_code)
importFrom(usethis,ui_done)
importFrom(usethis,ui_field)
importFrom(usethis,ui_path)
importFrom(usethis,ui_todo)
importFrom(usethis,ui_value)
importFrom(usethis,use_test)
importFrom(utils,available.packages)
importFrom(utils,contrib.url)
importFrom(utils,install.packages)
importFrom(utils,installed.packages)
importFrom(utils,modifyList)
importFrom(utils,packageDescription)
importFrom(utils,packageVersion)
importFrom(utils,remove.packages)
```

“One Ring to rule them all”  
– The Free People

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**usethis** → Fastening early package development

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→ Installing packages from  
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# Some useful functions

```
>remotes::install_*
```

```
remotes::install_gitlab  
remotes::install_github  
remotes::install_cran  
remotes::install_deps  
remotes::install_bitbucket
```

```
remotes::install_local  
remotes::install_dev  
remotes::install_url  
remotes::install_svn  
remotes::install_version  
remotes::install_bioc  
remotes::install_git
```

```
remotes::install_remote
```

```
>usethis::use_*
```

```
usethis::use_gpl_license  
usethis::use_git_ignore  
usethis::use_version  
usethis::use_roxygen_md  
usethis::use_github_action  
usethis::use_github  
usethis::use_data  
usethis::use_tibble  
usethis::use_vignette  
usethis::use_readme_md
```

```
usethis::use_description  
usethis::use_git_credentials  
usethis::use_test  
usethis::use_pipe  
usethis::use_agpl_license  
usethis::use_tidy_upkeep_issue  
usethis::use_github_links  
usethis::use_description_defaults  
usethis::use_bioc_badge  
usethis::use_pkgdown_github_pages  
usethis::use_tidy_github_actions  
usethis::use_coverage
```

```
usethis::use_package_doc  
usethis::use_github_actions  
usethis::use_git_config  
usethis::use_usethis  
usethis::use_pkgdown  
usethis::use_testthat
```

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→ Adding unit testing in later package development

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```
>testthat::expect_*
```

```
testthat::expect_match  
testthat::expect_snapshot_warning  
testthat::expect_snapshot_error  
testthat::expect_equal  
testthat::expect_lt  
testthat::expect_cpp_tests_pass  
testthat::expect_condition  
testthat::expect_equivalent  
testthat::expect_failure  
testthat::expect_visible  
testthat::expect_s3_class  
testthat::expect_known_hash  
testthat::expect_length  
testthat::expect_less_than  
testthat::expect_equal_to_reference  
testthat::expect_warning
```

```
testthat::expect_snapshot  
testthat::expect_snapshot_output  
testthat::expect_true  
testthat::expect_that  
testthat::expect_error  
testthat::expect_lte  
testthat::expect_reference  
testthat::expect_s4_class  
testthat::expect_setequal  
testthat::expect_invisible  
testthat::expect_null  
testthat::expect_message  
testthat::expect_snapshot_value  
testthat::expect_mapequal  
testthat::expect_silent  
testthat::expect_more_than  
testthat::expect_known_value  
testthat::expect_named
```

```
testthat::expect_false  
testthat::expect_is  
testthat::expect_type  
testthat::expect_output_file  
testthat::expect_snapshot_file  
testthat::expect_success  
testthat::expect_output  
testthat::expect_gte  
testthat::expect_gt  
testthat::expect_known_output  
testthat::expect_vector  
testthat::expect_identical  
testthat::expect_no_match
```

```
>biocthis::*
```

```
biocthis::use_bioc_description  
biocthis::bioc_style  
biocthis::use_bioc_vignette
```

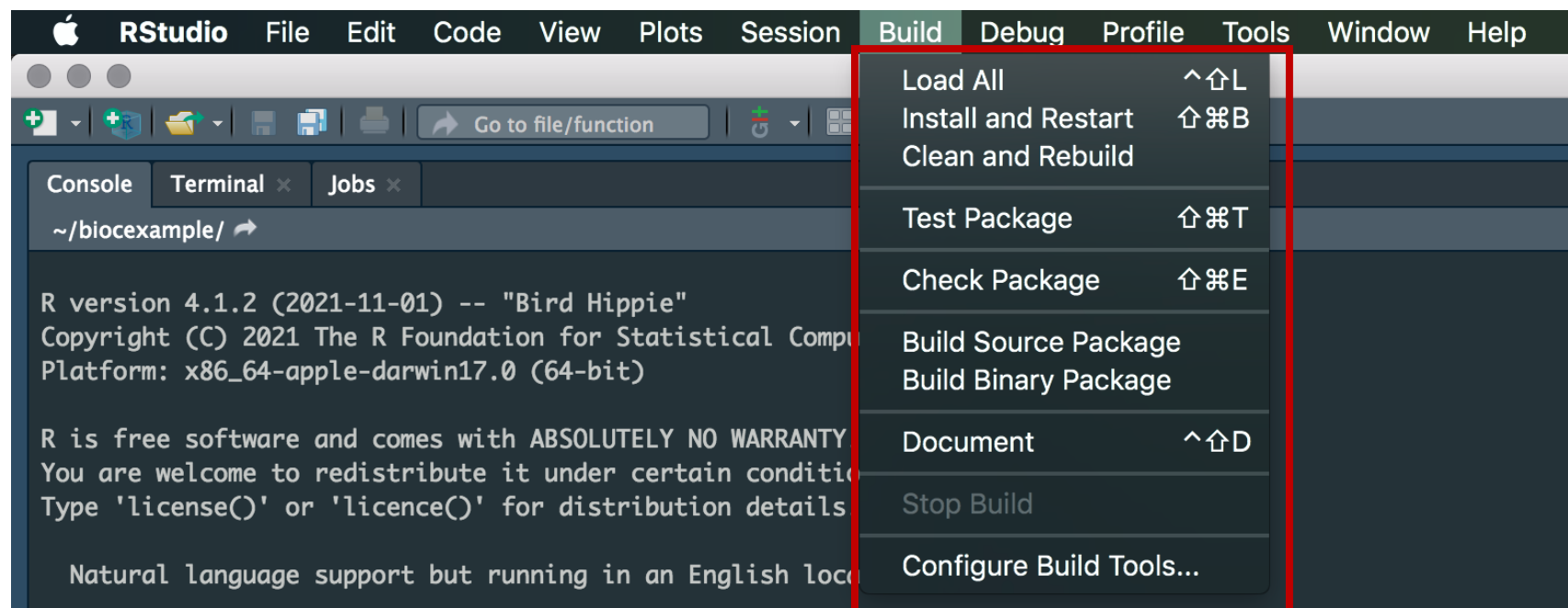
```
biocthis::use_bioc_citation  
biocthis::use_bioc_github_action  
biocthis::use_bioc_pkg_templates  
biocthis::biocthis_example_pkg  
biocthis::use_bioc_support
```

```
biocthis::use_bioc_issue_template  
biocthis::use_bioc_readme_rmd  
biocthis::use_bioc_coc  
biocthis::use_bioc_news_md
```



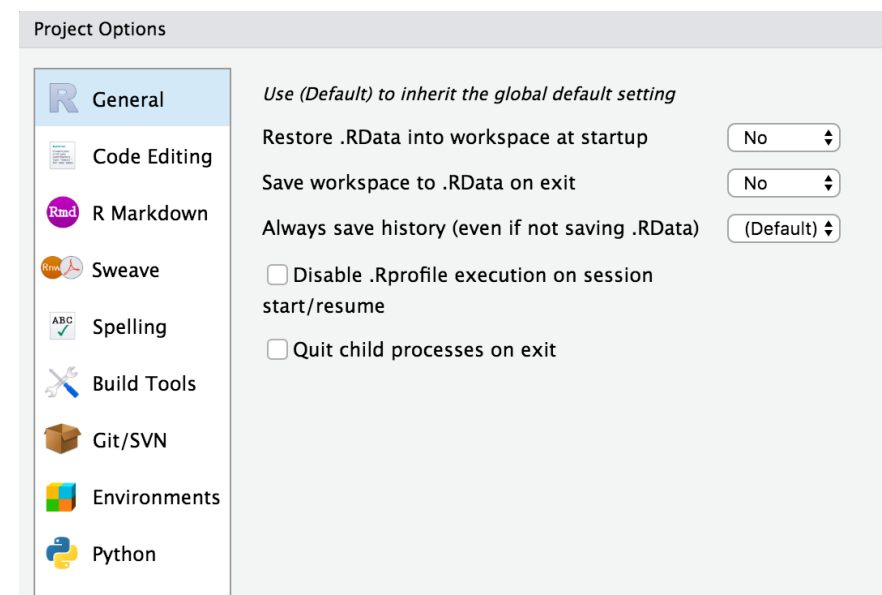
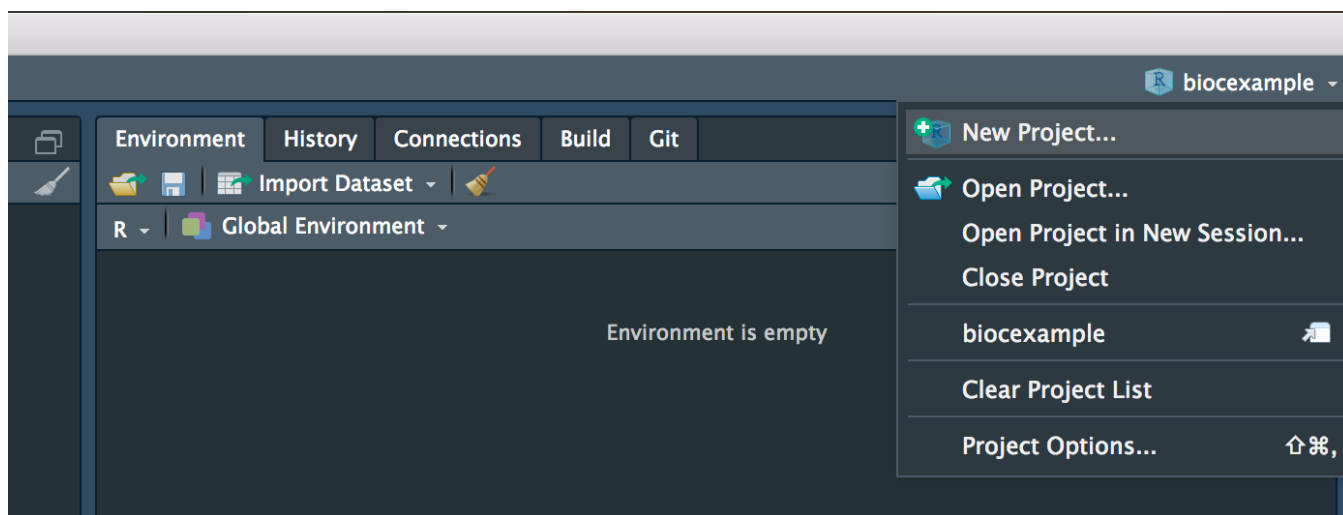
# Rstudio and package development

“devtools works hand-in-hand with RStudio, which we [Hadley] believe is the best development environment for most R users. To be clear, you can use devtools without using RStudio and you can develop packages in RStudio without using devtools. But there is a special, two-way relationship that makes it very rewarding to use devtools and RStudio together.”



# Rstudio and projects (.Rproj files)

- Projects are very “launch-able”. It’s easy to fire up a fresh instance of RStudio in a Project, with the file browser and working directory set exactly the way you need, ready for work.
- Each Project is isolated. You can have several RStudio Projects open at once and code executed in Project A does not have any effect on the R session and workspace of Project B.
- You get handy code navigation tools like F2 to jump to a function definition and Ctrl + . to look up functions or files by name.
- You get useful keyboard shortcuts and a clickable interface for common package development tasks, like generating documentation, running tests, or checking the entire package.



# Rstudio and projects (.Rproj files)

Working with projects ensures:

1. That you are not accidentally loading additional variables when opening Rstudio after rebooting
2. That your package root is **always** correct!
3. Many more convenient stuff you don't actually want to realize it would need to be taken care of without projects (e.g. package dependencies, versions, ...)

```
> library(devtools)
> usethis::create_package()
> usethis::use_rstudio()
> usethis::proj_sitrep()
```