# Package 'affyio'

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affyio internal functions

Internal affyio functions

## Description

Internal affyio functions

## **Details**

These are not normally meant to be called by the user and/or are undergoing testing

check.cdf.type

CDF file format function

## Description

This function returns a text string giving the file format for the supplied filename

## Usage

```
check.cdf.type(filename)
```

## **Arguments**

filename fullpath to a cdf file

#### Value

Returns a string which is currently one of:

text the cdf file is of the text format

xda the cdf file is of the binary format used in GCOS

unknown the parser can not handle this format or does not recognize this file as a CDF file

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get.celfile.dates

Extract Dates from CEL files

#### **Description**

This function reads the header information for a series of CEL files then extracts and returns the dates.

## Usage

```
{\tt get.celfile.dates(filenames, \ \ldots)}
```

## **Arguments**

filenames a vector of characters with the CEL filenames. May be fully pathed.

... further arguments passed on to read.celfile.header.

#### **Details**

The function uses read.celfile.header to read in the header of each file. The ScanDate component is then parsed to extract the date. Note that an assumption is made about the format. Namely, that dates are in the Y-m-d or m/d/y format.

## Value

A vector of class Date with one date for each celfile.

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## See Also

See Also as read.celfile.header.

internal functions

Internal affyio functions

## Description

Internal affyio functions

#### **Details**

These are not to be called directly by a user. They support the affy package

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read.cdffile.list

Read CDF file into an R list

## **Description**

This function reads the entire contents of a cdf file into an R list structure

#### Usage

```
read.cdffile.list(filename, cdf.path = getwd())
```

#### **Arguments**

filename name of CDF file cdf.path path to cdf file

#### **Details**

Note that this function can be very memory intensive with large CDF files.

#### Value

returns a list structure. The exact contents may vary depending on the file format of the cdf file (see check.cdf.type)

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read.celfile

Read a CEL file into an R list

## Description

This function reads the entire contents of a CEL file into an R list structure

## Usage

```
read.celfile(filename,intensity.means.only=FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

```
filename name of CEL file intensity.means.only
```

If TRUE then read on only the MEAN section in INTENSITY

## **Details**

The list has four main items. HEADER, INTENSITY, MASKS, OUTLIERS. Note that INTENSITY is a list of three vectors MEAN, STDEV, NPIXELS. HEADER is also a list. Both of MASKS and OUTLIERS are matrices.

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#### Value

returns a list structure. The exact contents may vary depending on the file format of the CEL file

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read.celfile.header

Read header information from cel file

## **Description**

This function reads some of the header information (appears before probe intensity data) from the supplied cel file.

## Usage

```
read.celfile.header(filename,info=c("basic","full"),verbose=FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

filename name of CEL file. May be fully pathed

info A string. basic returns the dimensions of the chip and the name of the CDF file

used when the CEL file was produced. full returns more information in greater

detail.

verbose a logical. When true the parsing routine prints more information, typically

useful for debugging.

## Value

A list data structure.

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read.celfile.probeintensity.matrices

Read PM or MM from CEL file into matrices

## Description

This function reads PM, MM or both types of intensities into matrices. These matrices have all the probes for a probeset in adjacent rows

#### Usage

read.celfile.probeintensity.matrices(filenames, cdfInfo, rm.mask=FALSE, rm.outliers=FALSE, rm.ext

## **Arguments**

filenames a character vector of filenames cdfInfo a list with items giving PM and MM locations for desired probesets. In same structure as returned by make.cdf.package rm.mask a logical. Return these probes as NA if there are in the [MASK] section of the CEL file rm.outliers a logical. Return these probes as NA if there are in the [OUTLIERS] section of the CEL file rm.extra a logical. Return these probes as NA if there are in the [OUTLIERS] section of the CEL file a logical. When true the parsing routine prints more information, typically verbose useful for debugging.

Value

which

returns a list of matrix items. One matrix contains PM probe intensities, with probes in rows and arrays in columns

a string specifing which probe type to return

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