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### **Description**

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### See Also

Useful links:

- https://www.borch.dev/uploads/scRepertoire/
- Report bugs at https://github.com/BorchLab/scRepertoire/issues

.\_bind\_contig\_list

Bind a List of Contig Data Frames and Add Grouping Variable

### Description

Bind a List of Contig Data Frames and Add Grouping Variable

### Usage

```
._bind_contig_list(contig_list)
```

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.\_split\_and\_pad

Split String and Pad to a Fixed-Width Matrix

#### **Description**

Split String and Pad to a Fixed-Width Matrix

### Usage

```
._split_and_pad(x, split, n_cols)
```

addVariable

Adding Variables After combineTCR() or combineBCR()

### **Description**

This function adds variables to the product of combineTCR(), or combineBCR() to be used in later visualizations. For each element, the function will add a column (labeled by variable.name) with the variable. The length of the variables parameter needs to match the length of the combined object.

### Usage

```
addVariable(input.data, variable.name = NULL, variables = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

input.data The product of combineTCR() or combineBCR().
variable.name A character string that defines the new variable to add.

variables A character vector defining the desired column value for each list element. Must

match the length of the product of combineTCR() or combineBCR().

#### Value

input.data list with the variable column added to each element.

#### **Examples**

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alluvialClones	Alluvial Plotting for Single-Cell Object

### Description

View the proportional contribution of clones by Seurat or SCE object meta data after combineExpression(). The visualization is based on the ggalluvial package, which requires the aesthetics to be part of the axes that are visualized. Therefore, alpha, facet, and color should be part of the the axes you wish to view or will add an additional stratum/column to the end of the graph.

### Usage

```
alluvialClones(
    sc.data,
    cloneCall = "strict",
    chain = "both",
    y.axes = NULL,
    color = NULL,
    alpha = NULL,
    facet = NULL,
    exportTable = FALSE,
    palette = "inferno",
    ...
)
```

### Arguments

sc.data	The product of combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
y.axes	The columns that will separate the proportional . visualizations.
color	The column header or clone(s) to be highlighted.
alpha	The column header to have gradated opacity.
facet	The column label to separate.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### Value

A ggplot object visualizing categorical distribution of clones, or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

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#### **Examples**

annotateInvariant

Annotate invariant T cells (MAIT or iNKT) in single-cell TCR data

### Description

The annotateInvariant() function identifies potential mucosal-associated invariant T (MAIT``) cells or invariant cells from single-cell sequencing datasets based on their characteristic TCR usage. It extracts TCR chain information from the provided single-cell data, checks it against known invariant T-cell receptor criteria for either MAIT or iNKT cells, and returns a score indicating the presence (1) or absence (0) of these invariant cell populations for each individual cell. The function supports data from mouse and human samples, providing a convenient method to annotate specialized T-cell subsets within single-cell analyses.

#### Usage

```
annotateInvariant(
  input.data,
  type = c("MAIT", "iNKT"),
  species = c("mouse", "human")
)
```

#### **Arguments**

input.data The product of combineTCR() or combineExpression().

type Character specifying the type of invariant cells to annotate (MAIT or iNKT).

species Character specifying the species ('mouse' or 'human').

### Value

A single-cell object or list with the corresponding annotation scores (0 or 1) added.

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#### **Examples**

clonalAbundance

Plot the Relative Abundance of Clones

### **Description**

Displays the number of clones at specific frequencies by sample or group. Visualization can either be a line graph (scale = FALSE) using calculated numbers or density plot (scale = TRUE). Multiple sequencing runs can be group together using the group parameter. If a matrix output for the data is preferred, set exportTable = TRUE.

### Usage

```
clonalAbundance(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  scale = FALSE,
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC $+$ nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
scale	Converts the graphs into density plots in order to show relative distributions.

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group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group. by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing clonal abundance by group, or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

#### Author(s)

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### **Examples**

clonalBias

Calculate Clonal Bias Towards a Cluster or Compartment

### **Description**

The metric seeks to quantify how individual clones are skewed towards a specific cellular compartment or cluster. A clone bias of 1 - indicates that a clone is composed of cells from a single compartment or cluster, while a clone bias of 0 - matches the background subtype distribution. Please read and cite the following manuscript if using clonalBias().

### Usage

```
clonalBias(
    sc.data,
    cloneCall = "strict",
    split.by = NULL,
    group.by = NULL,
    n.boots = 20,
    min.expand = 10,
    exportTable = FALSE,
    palette = "inferno",
    ...
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

sc.data	The single-cell object after combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
split.by	The variable to use for calculating the baseline frequencies. For example, "Type" for lung vs peripheral blood comparison
group.by	A column header in the metadata that bias will be based on.
n.boots	number of bootstraps to downsample.
min.expand	clone frequency cut off for the purpose of comparison.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

ggplot scatter plot with clone bias

### **Examples**

```
# Making combined contig data
combined <- combineTCR(contig_list,</pre>
                         samples = c("P17B", "P17L", "P18B", "P18L",
                                      "P19B","P19L", "P20B", "P20L"))
# Getting a sample of a Seurat object
scRep_example <- get(data("scRep_example"))</pre>
# Using combineExpresion()
scRep_example <- combineExpression(combined, scRep_example)</pre>
scRep_example$Patient <- substring(scRep_example$orig.ident,1,3)</pre>
# Using clonalBias()
clonalBias(scRep_example,
              cloneCall = "aa",
              split.by = "Patient",
              group.by = "seurat_clusters",
              n.boots = 5,
              min.expand = 2)
```

clonalCluster

Cluster clones by sequence similarity

### Description

This function clusters TCRs or BCRs based on the edit distance of their CDR3 sequences. It can operate on either nucleotide (nt) or amino acid (aa) sequences and can optionally enforce that clones share the same V and/or J genes. The output can be the input object with an added metadata column for cluster IDs, a sparse adjacency matrix, or an igraph graph object representing the cluster network.

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#### Usage

```
clonalCluster(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  sequence = "aa",
  threshold = 0.85,
  group.by = NULL,
  cluster.method = "components",
  cluster.prefix = "cluster.",
  use.V = TRUE,
  use.J = FALSE,
  exportAdjMatrix = FALSE,
  exportGraph = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR() or combineExpression().
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
sequence	Clustering based on either aa or nt sequences.
threshold	The similarity threshold. If $< 1$ , treated as normalized similarity (higher is stricter). If $>= 1$ , treated as raw edit distance (lower is stricter).
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, clusters will be calculated across all sequences.
cluster.method	The clustering algorithm to use. Defaults to "components", which finds connected subgraphs.
cluster.prefix	A character prefix to add to the cluster names (e.g., "cluster.").
use.V	If TRUE, sequences must share the same V gene to be clustered together.
use.J	If TRUE, sequences must share the same J gene to be clustered together.
exportAdjMatrix	(
	If TRUE, the function returns a sparse adjacency matrix (dgCMatrix) of the network.
exportGraph	If TRUE returns an igraph object of connected sequences or the amended input. data with a new cluster-based variable
	chain  sequence threshold group.by  cluster.method  cluster.prefix use.V use.J exportAdjMatrix

#### **Details**

The clustering process is as follows:

- 1. The function retrieves the relevant chain data from the input object.
- 2. It calculates the edit distance between all sequences within each group (or across the entire dataset if group.by is NULL).
- 3. An edge list is constructed, connecting sequences that meet the similarity threshold.
- 4. The threshold parameter behaves differently based on its value:
  - threshold < 1 (e.g., 0.85): Interpreted as a *normalized* edit distance or sequence similarity. A higher value means greater similarity is required. This is the default behavior.
  - threshold >= 1 (e.g., 2): Interpreted as a maximum *raw* edit distance. A lower value means greater similarity is required.

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- 5. An igraph graph is built from the edge list.
- 6. A clustering algorithm is run on the graph. The default cluster.method = "components" simply identifies the connected components (i.e., each cluster is a group of sequences connected by edges). Other methods from igraph can be used.

7. The resulting cluster information is formatted and returned in the specified format.

#### Value

Depending on the export parameters, one of the following:

- An amended input.data object with a new metadata column containing cluster IDs (default).
- An igraph object if exportGraph = TRUE.
- A sparse dgCMatrix object if exportAdjMatrix = TRUE.

#### **Examples**

clonalCompare

Compare Clonal Abundance Across Variables

### Description

This function visualizes the relative abundance of specific clones across different samples or groups. It is useful for tracking how the proportions of top clones change between conditions. The output can be an alluvial plot to trace clonal dynamics or an area plot to show compositional changes.

#### Usage

```
clonalCompare(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  samples = NULL,
  clones = NULL,
  top.clones = NULL,
  highlight.clones = NULL,
```

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```
relabel.clones = FALSE,
group.by = NULL,
order.by = NULL,
graph = "alluvial",
proportion = TRUE,
exportTable = FALSE,
palette = "inferno",
...
)
```

### **Arguments**

The product of combineTCR, combineBCR, or combineExpression.
Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
The specific samples to isolate for visualization.
The specific clonal sequences of interest
The top number of clonal sequences per group. (e.g., top.clones = 5)
es
Clonal sequences to highlight, if present, all other clones returned will be grey
Simplify the legend of the graph by returning clones that are numerically indexed
A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
The type of plot to generate. Accepted values are alluvial (default) or area
If TRUE (default), the y-axis will represent the proportional abundance of clones. If FALSE, the y-axis will represent raw clone counts.
If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing proportions of clones by groupings, or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### **Examples**

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Calculate Clonal Diversity

### **Description**

This function calculates a specified diversity metric for samples or groups within a dataset. To control for variations in library size, the function can perform bootstrapping with downsampling. It resamples each group to the size of the smallest group and calculates the diversity metric across multiple iterations, returning the mean value.

### Usage

```
clonalDiversity(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  metric = "shannon",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  x.axis = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  n.boots = 100,
  return.boots = FALSE,
  skip.boots = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
metric	The diversity metric to calculate. Must be a single string from the list of available metrics (see Details).
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.

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x.axis	An additional metadata variable to group samples along the x-axis.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
n.boots	The number of bootstrap iterations to perform (default is 100).
return.boots	If TRUE, returns all bootstrap values instead of the mean. Automatically enables export Table.
skip.boots	If TRUE, disables downsampling and bootstrapping. The metric will be calculated on the full dataset for each group. Defaults to FALSE.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### **Details**

The function operates by first splitting the dataset by the specified group.by variable.

**Downsampling and Bootstrapping:** To make a fair comparison between groups of different sizes, diversity metrics often require normalization. This function implements this by downsampling.

- 1. It determines the number of clones in the smallest group.
- 2. For each group, it performs n.boots iterations (default = 100).
- 3. In each iteration, it randomly samples the clones (with replacement) down to the size of the smallest group.
- 4. It calculates the selected diversity metric on this downsampled set.
- 5. The final reported diversity value is the mean of the results from all bootstrap iterations.

This process can be disabled by setting skip.boots = TRUE.

Available Diversity Metrics (metric): The function uses a registry of metrics imported from the immApex package. You can select one of the following:

- "shannon": Shannon's Entropy. See shannon\_entropy.
- "inv.simpson": Inverse Simpson Index. See inv\_simpson.
- "gini.simpson": Gini-Simpson Index. See gini\_simpson.
- "norm.entropy": Normalized Shannon Entropy. See norm\_entropy.
- "pielou": Pielou's Evenness (same as norm.entropy). See pielou\_evenness.
- "ace": Abundance-based Coverage Estimator. See ace\_richness.
- "chao1": Chao1 Richness Estimator. See chao1\_richness.
- "gini": Gini Coefficient for inequality. See gini\_coef.
- "d50": The number of top clones making up 50% of the library. See d50\_dom.
- "hillo", "hill1", "hill2": Hill numbers of order 0, 1, and 2. See hill\_q.

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing the diversity metric, or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### Author(s)

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#### **Examples**

clonalHomeostasis

Plot Clonal Homeostasis of the Repertoire

#### **Description**

This function calculates the space occupied by clone proportions. The grouping of these clones is based on the parameter cloneSize, at default, cloneSize will group the clones into bins of Rare = 0 to 0.0001, Small = 0.0001 to 0.001, etc. To adjust the proportions, change the number or labeling of the cloneSize parameter. If a matrix output for the data is preferred, set exportTable = TRUE.

#### Usage

```
clonalHomeostasis(
  input.data,
  cloneSize = c(Rare = 1e-04, Small = 0.001, Medium = 0.01, Large = 0.1, Hyperexpanded =
    1),
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

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chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB).
	Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group. by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing clonal homeostasis, or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

#### **Examples**

clonalLength

Plot the Distribution of Sequence Lengths

#### **Description**

This function displays either the nucleotide nt or amino acid as sequence length. The sequence length visualized can be selected using the chains parameter, either the combined clone (both chains) or across all single chains. Visualization can either be a histogram or if scale = TRUE, the output will be a density plot. Multiple sequencing runs can be group together using the group.by parameter.

### Usage

```
clonalLength(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "aa",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  scale = FALSE,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression()
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence) or aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence)
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
scale	Converts the graphs into density plots in order to show relative distributions.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing the distributions by length, or a data frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### **Examples**

clonalNetwork

Visualize Clonal Network in Dimensional Reductions

### **Description**

This function generates a network based on clonal proportions of an indicated identity and then superimposes the network onto a single-cell object dimensional reduction plot.

### Usage

```
clonalNetwork(
    sc.data,
    cloneCall = "strict",
    chain = "both",
    reduction = "umap",
    group.by = "ident",
    filter.clones = NULL,
    filter.identity = NULL,
    filter.proportion = NULL,
    filter.graph = FALSE,
```

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```
exportClones = FALSE,
exportTable = FALSE,
palette = "inferno",
...
)
```

### **Arguments**

sc.data The single-cell object after combineExpression(). cloneCall Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used. The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). chain Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both. reduction The name of the dimensional reduction of the single-cell object. A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", group.by "treatment"). This will be the nodes overlaid onto the graph. filter.clones Use to select the top n clones (e.g., filter.clones`\*\*` = 2000) or n of clones based on the man = "min"). filter.identity Display the network for a specific level of the indicated identity. filter.proportion Remove clones from the network below a specific proportion. filter.graph Remove the reciprocal edges from the half of the graph, allowing for cleaner visualization. exportClones Exports a table of clones that are shared across multiple identity groups and ordered by the total number of clone copies. If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot. exportTable Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals. palette Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme . . .

#### Value

ggplot object

#### **Examples**

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```
reduction = "umap",
    group.by = "seurat_clusters")
## End(Not run)
```

clonalOccupy

Plot cloneSize by Variable in Single-Cell Objects

### **Description**

View the count of clones frequency group in Seurat or SCE object meta data after combineExpression(). The visualization will take the new meta data variable cloneSize and plot the number of cells with each designation using a secondary variable, like cluster. Credit to the idea goes to Drs. Carmona and Andreatta and their work with ProjectTIL.

### Usage

```
clonalOccupy(
    sc.data,
    x.axis = "ident",
    label = TRUE,
    facet.by = NULL,
    order.by = NULL,
    proportion = FALSE,
    na.include = FALSE,
    exportTable = FALSE,
    palette = "inferno",
    ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

sc.data	The single-cell object after combineExpression()
x.axis	The variable in the meta data to graph along the x.axis.
label	Include the number of clone in each category by x.axis variable
facet.by	The column header used for faceting the graph
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group. by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
proportion	Convert the stacked bars into relative proportion
na.include	Visualize NA values or not
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### Value

Stacked bar plot of counts of cells by clone frequency group

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#### **Examples**

clonalOverlap

Examining the clonal overlap between groups or samples

### **Description**

This functions allows for the calculation and visualizations of various overlap metrics for clones. The methods include overlap coefficient (overlap), Morisita's overlap index (morisita), Jaccard index (jaccard), cosine similarity (cosine) or the exact number of clonal overlap (raw).

### Usage

```
clonalOverlap(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  method = c("overlap", "morisita", "jaccard", "cosine", "raw"),
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression()
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC $+$ nt). A custom column header can also be used.
method	The method to calculate the overlap, morisita, jaccard, cosine indices or raw for the base numbers
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.

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group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### **Details**

The formulas for the indices are as follows:

**Overlap Coefficient:** 

$$overlap = \frac{\sum \min(a, b)}{\min(\sum a, \sum b)}$$

**Raw Count Overlap:** 

$$raw = \sum \min(a,b)$$

**Morisita Index:** 

$$morisita = \frac{\sum ab}{(\sum a)(\sum b)}$$

**Jaccard Index:** 

$$jaccard = \frac{\sum \min(a,b)}{\sum a + \sum b - \sum \min(a,b)}$$

**Cosine Similarity:** 

$$cosine = \frac{\sum ab}{\sqrt{(\sum a^2)(\sum b^2)}}$$

Where:

• a and b are the abundances of species i in groups A and B, respectively.

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing clonal overlap or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### **Examples**

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Visualize Distribution of Clonal Frequency

### Description

This function allows the user to visualize the clonal expansion by overlaying the cells with specific clonal frequency onto the dimensional reduction plots in Seurat. Credit to the idea goes to Drs Andreatta and Carmona and their work with ProjectTIL.

### Usage

```
clonalOverlay(
   sc.data,
   reduction = NULL,
   cut.category = "clonalFrequency",
   cutpoint = 30,
   bins = 25,
   pt.size = 0.5,
   pt.alpha = 1,
   facet.by = NULL,
   ...
)
```

### Arguments

sc.data	The single-cell object after combineExpression().
reduction	The dimensional reduction to visualize.
cut.category	Meta data variable of the single-cell object to use for filtering.
cutpoint	The overlay cut point to include, this corresponds to the cut.category variable in the meta data of the single-cell object.
bins	The number of contours to the overlay
pt.size	The point size for plotting (default is 0.5)
pt.alpha	The alpha value for plotting (default is 1)
facet.by	meta data variable to facet the comparison
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### Value

A ggplot object visualizing distributions of clones along a dimensional reduction within the single-cell object

### Author(s)

Francesco Mazziotta, Nick Borcherding

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#### **Examples**

clonalProportion

Plot the Clonal Space Occupied by Specific Clones

### **Description**

This function calculates the relative clonal space occupied by the clones. The grouping of these clones is based on the parameter clonalSplit, at default, clonalSplit will group the clones into bins of 1:10, 11:100, 101:1001, etc. To adjust the clones selected, change the numbers in the variable split. If a matrix output for the data is preferred, set exportTable = TRUE.

### Usage

```
clonalProportion(
  input.data,
  clonalSplit = c(10, 100, 1000, 10000, 30000, 1e+05),
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

```
input.data The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().  
clonalSplit The cut points for the specific clones, default = c(10, 100, 1000, 10000, 30000, 1e+05)  
CloneCall Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
```

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chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group. by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### Value

A ggplot object dividing space occupied by ranks of clones or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### **Examples**

clonalQuant

Plot Number or Proportions of Clones

### **Description**

This function quantifies unique clones. The unique clones can be either reported as a raw output or scaled to the total number of clones recovered using the scale parameter.

#### Usage

```
clonalQuant(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  scale = FALSE,
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
scale	Converts the graphs into percentage of unique clones
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing the total or relative number of clones or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### **Examples**

clonalRarefaction

Calculate rarefaction based on the abundance of clones

### **Description**

This functions uses the Hill numbers of order q: species richness (q = 0), Shannon diversity (q = 1), the exponential of Shannon entropy and Simpson diversity (q = 2), the inverse of Simpson concentration) to compute diversity estimates for rarefaction and extrapolation. The function relies on the iNEXT::iNEXT() R package. Please read and cite the manuscript if using this function. The input into the iNEXT calculation is abundance, incidence-based calculations are not supported.

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### Usage

```
clonalRarefaction(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  plot.type = 1,
  hill.numbers = 0,
  n.boots = 20,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
plot.type	sample-size-based rarefaction/extrapolation curve (type = 1); sample completeness curve (type = 2); coverage-based rarefaction/extrapolation curve (type = 3).
hill.numbers	The Hill numbers to be plotted out (0 - species richness, 1 - Shannon, 2 - Simpson)
n.boots	The number of bootstrap replicates used to derive confidence intervals for the diversity estimates. More replicates can provide a more reliable measure of statistical variability.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### **Examples**

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clonalScatter	Scatter Plot Con	nparing Clones	Across Two Samples
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### **Description**

This function produces a scatter plot directly comparing the specific clones between two samples. The clones will be categorized by counts into singlets or expanded, either exclusive or shared between the selected samples.

### Usage

```
clonalScatter(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  x.axis = NULL,
  y.axis = NULL,
  chain = "both",
  dot.size = "total",
  group.by = NULL,
  graph = "proportion",
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
x.axis	name of the list element to appear on the x.axis.
y.axis	name of the list element to appear on the y.axis.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
dot.size	either total or the name of the list element to use for size of dots.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
graph	graph either the clonal "proportion" or "count".
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

### Value

A ggplot object visualizing clonal dynamics between two groupings or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

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### **Examples**

clonal Size Distribution

Plot powerTCR Clustering Based on Clonal Size

### **Description**

This function produces a hierarchical clustering of clones by sample using discrete gamma-GPD spliced threshold model. If using this model please read and cite powerTCR (more info available at PMID: 30485278).

#### Usage

```
clonalSizeDistribution(
  input.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  method = "ward.D2",
  threshold = 1,
  group.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
method	The clustering parameter for the dendrogram.
threshold	Numerical vector containing the thresholds the grid search was performed over.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed as by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.

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exportTable If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.

Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.

Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### **Details**

The probability density function (pdf) for the Generalized Pareto Distribution (GPD) is given by:

$$f(x|\mu,\sigma,\xi) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \left( 1 + \xi \left( \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right) \right)^{-\left(\frac{1}{\xi}+1\right)}$$

Where:

- $\mu$  is a location parameter
- $\sigma > 0$  is a scale parameter
- $\xi$  is a shape parameter
- $x \ge \mu$  if  $\xi \ge 0$  and  $\mu \le x \le \mu \sigma/\xi$  if  $\xi < 0$

The probability density function (pdf) for the **Gamma Distribution** is given by:

$$f(x|\alpha,\beta) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}e^{-x/\beta}}{\beta^{\alpha}\Gamma(\alpha)}$$

Where:

- $\alpha > 0$  is the shape parameter
- $\beta > 0$  is the scale parameter
- *x* ≥ 0
- $\Gamma(\alpha)$  is the gamma function of  $\alpha$

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing dendrogram of clonal size distribution or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

### Author(s)

Hillary Koch

### **Examples**

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Combine B Cell Receptor Contig Data

#### **Description**

This function consolidates a list of BCR sequencing results to the level of the individual cell barcodes. Using the samples and ID parameters, the function will add the strings as prefixes to prevent issues with repeated barcodes. The resulting new barcodes will need to match the Seurat or SCE object in order to use, combineExpression(). Unlike combineTCR(), combineBCR produces a column CTstrict of an index of nucleotide sequence and the corresponding V and J genes using clonalCluster().

### Usage

```
combineBCR(
  input.data,
  samples = NULL,
  ID = NULL,
  chain = "both",
  sequence = "nt",
  call.related.clones = TRUE,
  group.by = NULL,
  threshold = 0.85,
  cluster.method = "components",
  use.V = TRUE,
  use.J = TRUE,
  removeNA = FALSE,
  removeMulti = FALSE,
  filterMulti = TRUE,
  filterNonproductive = TRUE
)
```

#### Arguments

input.data Lis	st of filtered contig annotations	or outputs from	loadContigs(	).
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samples A character vector of sample labels. Must be the same length as the input list.

ID An optional character vector for additional sample identifiers.

chain The chain to use for clustering when call.related.clones = TRUE. Passed to

clonalCluster(). Default is "both".

sequence The sequence type ("nt" or "aa") to use for clustering. Passed to clonalCluster().

Default is "nt".

call.related.clones

Logical. If TRUE, uses clonalCluster() to identify related clones based on sequence similarity. If FALSE, defines clones by the exact V-gene and CDR3

amino acid sequence.

group.by The column header used for to group clones. If ('NULL"), clusters will be

calculated across samples.

threshold The similarity threshold passed to clonalCluster() if call.related.clones

= TRUE. See ?clonalCluster for details.

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cluster.method	The clustering algorithm to use. Defaults to "components", which finds connected subgraphs.
use.V	$Logical. \ If \ TRUE, sequences \ must \ share \ the \ same \ V \ gene \ to \ be \ clustered \ together.$
use.J	Logical. If TRUE, sequences must share the same J gene to be clustered together.
removeNA	This will remove any chain without values.
removeMulti	Logical. If TRUE, removes cells that have more than one distinct heavy or light chain after processing.
filterMulti	Logical. If TRUE, filters multi-chain cells to retain only the most abundant IGH and IGL/IGK chains.
filterNonproductive	

Logical. If TRUE, removes non-productive contigs from the analysis.

#### Value

A list of data frames, where each data frame represents a sample. Each row corresponds to a unique cell barcode, with columns detailing the BCR chains and the assigned clone ID.

### **Examples**

 ${\tt combine} {\tt Expression}$ 

Adding Clonal Information to Single-Cell Object

#### **Description**

This function adds the immune receptor information to the Seurat or SCE object to the meta data. By default this function also calculates the frequencies and proportion of the clones by sequencing run (group.by = NULL). To change how the frequencies/proportions are calculated, select a column header for the group.by variable. Importantly, before using combineExpression() ensure the barcodes of the single-cell object object match the barcodes in the output of the combineTCR() or combineBCR().

#### Usage

```
combineExpression(
  input.data,
  sc.data,
  cloneCall = "strict",
  chain = "both",
  group.by = NULL,
  proportion = TRUE,
  filterNA = FALSE,
  cloneSize = c(Rare = 1e-04, Small = 0.001, Medium = 0.01, Large = 0.1, Hyperexpanded =
    1),
  addLabel = FALSE
)
```

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### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR() or a list of both c(combineTCR(), combineBCR()).
sc.data	The Seurat or Single-Cell Experiment (SCE) object to attach
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
group.by	A column header in lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, will be based on the list element.
proportion	Whether to proportion (TRUE) or total frequency (FALSE) of the clone based on the group.by variable.
filterNA	Method to subset Seurat/SCE object of barcodes without clone information
cloneSize	The bins for the grouping based on proportion or frequency. If proportion is FALSE and the cloneSizes are not set high enough based on frequency, the upper limit of cloneSizes will be automatically updated.S
addLabel	This will add a label to the frequency header, allowing the user to try multiple group.by variables or recalculate frequencies after subsetting the data.

#### Value

Single-cell object with clone information added to meta data information

### **Examples**

combineTCR

Combine T Cell Receptor Contig Data

### **Description**

This function consolidates a list of TCR sequencing results to the level of the individual cell barcodes. Using the samples and ID parameters, the function will add the strings as prefixes to prevent issues with repeated barcodes. The resulting new barcodes will need to match the Seurat or SCE object in order to use, combineExpression(). Several levels of filtering exist - removeNA, removeMulti, or filterMulti are parameters that control how the function deals with barcodes with multiple chains recovered.

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#### Usage

```
combineTCR(
  input.data,
  samples = NULL,
  ID = NULL,
  removeNA = FALSE,
  removeMulti = FALSE,
  filterMulti = FALSE,
  filterNonproductive = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

input.data List of filtered contig annotations or outputs from loadContigs().

samples The labels of samples (recommended).

ID The additional sample labeling (optional).

removeNA This will remove any chain without values.

removeMulti This will remove barcodes with greater than 2 chains.

filterMulti This option will allow for the selection of the 2 corresponding chains with the

highest expression for a single barcode.

filterNonproductive

This option will allow for the removal of nonproductive chains if the variable exists in the contig data. Default is set to TRUE to remove nonproductive contigs.

#### Value

List of clones for individual cell barcodes

#### **Examples**

contig\_list

A List of Eight Single-cell TCR Sequencing Runs.

### **Description**

A list of 8 filtered\_contig\_annotations.csv files outputted from 10X Cell Ranger. More information on the data can be found in the following manuscript.

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createHTOContigList

Deconvolute Contig Information from Multiplexed Experiments

#### **Description**

This function reprocess and forms a list of contigs for downstream analysis in scRepertoire, createHTOContigList() take the filtered contig annotation output and the single-cell RNA object to create the list. If using an integrated single-cell object, it is recommended to split the object by sequencing run and remove extra prefixes and suffixes on the barcode before using createHTOContigList(). Alternatively, the variable multi.run can be used to separate a list of contigs by a meta data variable. This may have issues with the repeated barcodes.

### Usage

```
createHTOContigList(contig, sc.data, group.by = NULL, multi.run = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

contig	The filtered contig annotation file from multiplexed experiment
sc.data	The Seurat or Single-Cell Experiment object.
group.by	One or more meta data headers to create the contig list based on. If more than one header listed, the function combines them into a single variable.
multi.run	If using integrated single-cell object, the meta data variable that indicates the sequencing run.

#### Value

Returns a list of contigs as input for combineBCR() or combineTCR()

#### **Examples**

exportClones

Export Clonal Data in Various Formats

### Description

Exports clonal information (gene sequences, amino acids, nucleotides) from scRepertoire objects into a file or a data frame. The output format can be tailored for compatibility with different analysis workflows.

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#### Usage

```
exportClones(
  input.data,
  format = "paired",
  group.by = NULL,
  write.file = TRUE,
  dir = NULL,
  file.name = "clones.csv")
```

### Arguments

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
format	The format for exporting clones. Options are: paired, airr, TCRMatch, tcrpheno, immunarch.
group.by	The variable in the metadata to use for grouping. If NULL, data will be grouped by the sample names.
write.file	If TRUE (default), saves the output to a CSV file. If FALSE, returns the data frame or list to the R environment.
dir	The directory where the output file will be saved. Defaults to the current working directory.
file.name	The name of the file to be saved.

#### **Details**

The format parameter determines the structure of the output:

- paired: Exports a data frame where each row represents a barcode, with paired chain information (amino acid, nucleotide, genes) in separate columns.
- airr: Exports a data frame that adheres to the Adaptive Immune Receptor Repertoire (AIRR) Community format, with each row representing a single receptor chain.
- TCRMatch: Exports a data frame specifically for the TCRMatch algorithm, containing the TRB chain amino acid sequence and clonal frequency.
- tcrpheno: Exports a data frame compatible with the tcrpheno pipeline, with TRA and TRB chains in separate columns.
- immunarch: Exports a list containing a data frame and metadata formatted for use with the immunarch package.

### Value

A data frame or list in the specified format, either returned to the R environment or saved as a CSV file.

### Author(s)

Jonathan Noonan, Nick Borcherding

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#### **Examples**

expression2List

**DEPRECATED** Take the meta data in seurat/SCE and place it into a list

### **Description**

### [Deprecated]

Allows users to perform more fundamental measures of clonotype analysis using the meta data from the seurat or SCE object. For Seurat objects the active identity is automatically added as "cluster". Remaining grouping parameters or SCE or Seurat objects must appear in the meta data.

This function is deprecated as of version 2 due to the confusion it caused to many users. Users are encouraged to remain with the abstraction barrier of combined single cell objects and the outputs of combineTCR() and combineBCR() for all functions.

We discourage the use of this function, but if you have to use it, set the force argument to TRUE.

#### Usage

```
expression2List(sc, ..., force = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

sc output of combineExpression().

previously the group or split.by argument, indicating the column header to group the new list by. This should strictly be one argument and is an ellipsis for

backwards compatibility. Everything after the first argument is ignored.

force logical. If not TRUE (default), a deprecation error will be thrown. Otherwise the

function will run but not guaranteed to be stable.

### Value

list derived from the meta data of single-cell object with elements divided by the group parameter

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Generate Data Frame to Plot Cord Diagram

#### **Description**

This function will take the meta data from the product of combineExpression() and generate a relational data frame to be used for a chord diagram. Each cord will represent the number of clone unique and shared across the multiple group.by variable. If using the downstream circlize R package, please read and cite the following manuscript. If looking for more advance ways for circular visualizations, there is a great cookbook for the circlize package.

# Usage

```
getCirclize(
   sc.data,
   cloneCall = "strict",
   group.by = NULL,
   proportion = FALSE,
   include.self = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

sc.data	The single-cell object after combineExpression().
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
group.by	A column header in the metadata to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by active identity.
proportion	Calculate the relationship unique clones (proportion = FALSE) or normalized by proportion (proportion = TRUE)
include.self	Include counting the clones within a single group.by comparison

## Value

A data frame of shared clones between groups formatted for chordDiagram

#### Author(s)

Dillon Corvino, Nick Borcherding

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```

getContigDoublets

Get Contig Doublets

## **Description**

#### [Experimental]

This function identifies potential doublets by finding common barcodes between TCR and BCR outputs. It extracts unique barcodes from each list of dataframes, finds the intersection of the barcodes, and joins the resulting data.

#### Usage

```
getContigDoublets(tcrOutput, bcrOutput)
```

#### **Arguments**

tcrOutput Output of combineTCR(). A list of data.frames containing TCR contig informa-

tion, each dataframe must have a barcode column.

bcrOutput Output of combineBCR(). A list of data.frames containing BCR contig informa-

tion, each dataframe must have a barcode column.

#### Value

A dataframe of barcodes that exist in both the TCR and BCR data, with columns from both sets of data. There will be an additional column contigType of type factor with levels 'TCR' and 'BCR' indicating the origin of the contig - this will be the new first column.

If there are no doublets, the returned data.frame will have the same colnames but no rows.

getHumanIgPseudoGenes Get Human Immunoglobulin pseudogenes

# Description

This function returns a character vector of human immunoglobulin pseudogenes. These are also the genes that are removed from the variable gene list in quietVDJgenes().

## Usage

```
getHumanIgPseudoGenes()
```

#### Value

Character vector of human immunoglobulin pseudogenes.

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Highlighting Specific Clones

#### **Description**

Use a specific clonal sequence to highlight on top of the dimensional reduction in single-cell object.

## Usage

```
highlightClones(
   sc.data,
   cloneCall = c("gene", "nt", "aa", "strict"),
   sequence = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

sc.data
The single-cell object to attach after combineExpression()

cloneCall
Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.

sequence
The specific sequence or sequence to highlight

## Value

Single-cell object object with new meta data column for indicated clones

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loadContigs

Load Immune Receptor Sequencing Contigs

## **Description**

This function loads and processes contig data from various single-cell immune receptor sequencing formats. It reads data from a directory (recursively) or from an already loaded list/data frame, transforms it to a common structure, and returns a list of contigs ready for downstream analysis with combineTCR() or combineBCR().

Supported file formats and their expected file names:

```
• 10X: "filtered_contig_annotations.csv"
```

- AIRR: "airr\_rearrangement.tsv"
- BD: "Contigs\_AIRR.tsv"
- Dandelion: "all\_contig\_dandelion.tsv"
- Immcantation: "\_data.tsv" (or similar)
- "JSON": ".json"
- ParseBio: "barcode\_report.tsv"
- MiXCR: "clones.tsv"
- TRUST4: "barcode\_report.tsv"
- WAT3R: "barcode results.csv"

#### Usage

```
loadContigs(input, format = "10X")
```

#### **Arguments**

input A directory path containing contig files or a list/data frame of pre-loaded contig

data.

format A string specifying the data format. Must be one of: auto, 10X, AIRR, BD,

Dandelion, JSON, MiXCR, ParseBio, TRUST4, WAT3R, or Immcantation. If

"auto", the function attempts automatic format detection.

#### Value

A list of contigs formatted for use with combineTCR() or combineBCR(). Rows containing only NA values (aside from the barcode) are dropped.

```
TRUST4 <- read.csv("https://www.borch.dev/uploads/contigs/TRUST4_contigs.csv")
contig.list <- loadContigs(TRUST4, format = "TRUST4")

BD <- read.csv("https://www.borch.dev/uploads/contigs/BD_contigs.csv")
contig.list <- loadContigs(BD, format = "BD")

WAT3R <- read.csv("https://www.borch.dev/uploads/contigs/WAT3R_contigs.csv")
contig.list <- loadContigs(WAT3R, format = "WAT3R")</pre>
```

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percentAA Plot Relative Amino Acid Composition by Position
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# Description

This function the proportion of amino acids along the residues of the CDR3 amino acid sequence.

# Usage

```
percentAA(
   input.data,
   chain = "TRB",
   group.by = NULL,
   order.by = NULL,
   aa.length = 20,
   exportTable = FALSE,
   palette = "inferno",
   ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, or IGL (both light chains).
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
aa.length	The maximum length of the CDR3 amino acid sequence.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

# Value

A ggplot object visualizing amino acid by proportion or a data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

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Summarizes and Visualizes Gene Usage

# **Description**

This function quantifies and visualizes the usage of V, D, or J genes, or gene pairings across T or B cell clones.

```
percentGeneUsage(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  genes = "TRBV",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  summary.fun = c("percent", "proportion", "count"),
  plot.type = "heatmap",
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
)
vizGenes(
  input.data,
  x.axis = "TRBV",
  y.axis = NULL,
  group.by = NULL,
  plot = "heatmap",
  order.by = NULL,
  summary.fun = c("percent", "proportion", "count"),
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno"
)
percentGenes(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  gene = "Vgene"
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  summary.fun = c("percent", "proportion", "count"),
  palette = "inferno"
)
percentVJ(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
```

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```
summary.fun = c("percent", "proportion", "count"),
exportTable = FALSE,
palette = "inferno"
)
```

# Arguments

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression().
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains)
genes	A character vector specifying the gene loci to analyze. Can be a single gene e.g., "TRBV" or "IGHJ" or a pair for genes analysis (e.g., c("TRBV", "TRAV"), or "TRBV", "TRBJ").
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed as by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
summary.fun	Character string choosing the summary statistic - "percent" (default), "proportion", or "count".
plot.type	The type of plot to return: "heatmap" (default for paired loci, also available for single loci), or "barplot" (for single loci).
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
• • •	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme
x.axis	Gene segments to separate the x-axis, such as TRAV, TRBD, IGKJ.
y.axis	Variable to separate the y-axis, can be both categorical or other gene gene segments, such as TRAV, TRBD, IGKJ.
plot	The type of plot to return - heatmap or barplot.
gene	Vgene, Dgene or Jgene

## Value

A ggplot object displaying a heatmap or bar plot of gene usage. If exportTable = TRUE, a matrix or data frame of the raw data is returned.

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```
# Visualize single gene (TRBV) usage as a barplot, grouped by sample
percentGeneUsage(combined,
                 genes = "TRBV",
                 group.by = "sample",
                 plot.type = "barplot",
                 summary.fun = "count")
# Visualize paired gene (TRBV-TRBJ) usage as a heatmap
percentGeneUsage(combined[1:2],
                 genes = c("TRBV", "TRBJ"),
                 group.by = "sample",
                 plot.type = "heatmap",
                 summary.fun = "proportion")
# Export the raw data table for single gene usage
trbv_usage_table <- percentGeneUsage(combined,</pre>
                                      genes = "TRBV",
                                      group.by = "sample",
                                      exportTable = TRUE,
                                      summary.fun = "count")
# Export the raw data table for paired gene usage
trbv_trbj_usage_table <- percentGeneUsage(combined,</pre>
                                           genes = c("TRBV", "TRBJ"),
                                           group.by = "sample",
                                           exportTable = TRUE,
                                           summary.fun = "percent")
# Visualize paired gene (TRAV-TRAJ) usage as a heatmap
vizGenes(combined[1:2],
         x.axis = "TRAV",
         y.axis = "TRAJ",
         group.by = "sample",
         summary.fun = "count")
# Visualize cross-chain gene pairing (TRBV-TRAV)
vizGenes(combined[1:2],
         x.axis = "TRBV"
         y.axis = "TRAV",
         group.by = "sample",
         summary.fun = "percent")
# Quantify and visualize TRA V-gene usage as a heatmap
percentGenes(combined,
             chain = "TRA",
             gene = "Vgene",
             group.by = "sample",
             summary.fun = "percent")
# Quantify TRA J-gene usage and export the table
traj_usage_table <- percentGenes(combined,</pre>
                                  chain = "TRA",
                                  gene = "Jgene",
                                  group.by = "sample",
                                  exportTable = TRUE,
```

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percentKmer

Analyze K-mer Motif Composition

# **Description**

This function calculates and visualizes the frequency of k-mer motifs for either nucleotide (nt) or amino acid (aa) sequences. It produces a heatmap showing the relative composition of the most variable motifs across samples or groups.

#### Usage

```
percentKmer(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  cloneCall = "aa",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  motif.length = 3,
  min.depth = 3,
  top.motifs = 30,
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression()
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, or IGL (for both light chains).
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence) or aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence).
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed as by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.

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order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group. by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
motif.length	The length of the kmer to analyze
min.depth	Minimum count a motif must reach to be retained in the output (>= 1). <b>Default:</b> 3.
top.motifs	Return the n most variable motifs as a function of median absolute deviation
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### **Details**

The function first calculates k-mer frequencies for each sample/group. By default, it then identifies the 30 most variable motifs based on the Median Absolute Deviation (MAD) across all samples and displays their frequencies in a heatmap.

#### Value

A ggplot object displaying a heatmap of motif percentages. If exportTable = TRUE, a matrix of the raw data is returned.

# **Examples**

positionalEntropy

Examining the Diversity of Amino Acids by Position

## **Description**

This function the diversity amino acids along the residues of the CDR3 amino acid sequence. Please see clonalDiversity() for more information on the underlying methods for diversity/entropy calculations. Positions without variance will have a value reported as 0 for the purposes of comparison.

```
positionalEntropy(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  aa.length = 20,
```

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```
method = "norm.entropy",
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
   ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression()
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, or IGL (for both light chains).
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed as by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
aa.length	The maximum length of the CDR3 amino acid sequence.
method	The method to calculate the entropy/diversity - "shannon", "inv.simpson", "gini.simpson", "norm.entropy", "pielou", "hill0", "hill1", "hill2"
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

#### Value

A ggplot object displaying entropy or diversity by amino acid position. If exportTable = TRUE, a matrix of the raw data is returned.

## **Examples**

positionalProperty

Plot Positional Physicochemical Property Analysis

# Description

This function analyzes the physicochemical properties of amino acids at each position along the CDR3 sequence. It calculates the mean property value and the 95% confidence interval for each position across one or more groups, visualizing the results as a line plot with a confidence ribbon.

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## Usage

```
positionalProperty(
  input.data,
  chain = "TRB",
  group.by = NULL,
  order.by = NULL,
  aa.length = 20,
  method = "atchleyFactors",
  exportTable = FALSE,
  palette = "inferno",
  ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

input.data	The product of combineTCR(), combineBCR(), or combineExpression()
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, or IGL (for both light chains)
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
order.by	A character vector defining the desired order of elements of the group.by variable. Alternatively, use alphanumeric to sort groups automatically.
aa.length	The maximum length of the CDR3 amino acid sequence.
method	Character string (one of the supported names) Defaults to "atchleyFactors", but includes: "crucianiProperties", "FASGAI", "kideraFactors", "MSWHIM", "ProtFP", "stScales", "tScales", "VHSE", "zScales"
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

# **Details**

The function uses one of several established physicochemical property scales to convert amino acid sequences into numerical vectors. More information for the individual methods can be found at the following citations:

atchleyFactors: citation crucianiProperties: citation

**FASGAI: citation** 

kideraFactors: citation
MSWHIM: citation
ProtFP: citation
stScales: citation
tScales: citation
VHSE: citation
zScales: citation

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#### Value

A ggplot object displaying property by amino acid position. If exportTable = TRUE, a matrix of the raw data is returned.

#### Author(s)

Florian Bach, Nick Borcherding

## **Examples**

quietVDJgenes

Remove TCR and BCR genes from variable gene results

# Description

Most single-cell workflows use highly-expressed and highly-variable genes for the initial calculation of PCA and subsequent dimensional reduction. This function will remove the TCR and/or BCR genes from the variable features in a Seurat object or from a vector (potentially generated by the Bioconductor scran workflow).

```
quietVDJgenes(input.data, ...)
quietTCRgenes(input.data, ...)
## Default S3 method:
quietTCRgenes(input.data, ...)
## S3 method for class 'Seurat'
quietTCRgenes(input.data, assay = NULL, ...)
quietBCRgenes(input.data, ...)
## Default S3 method:
quietBCRgenes(input.data, ...)
## S3 method for class 'Seurat'
quietBCRgenes(input.data, assay = NULL, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

input.data Single-cell object in Seurat format or vector of variable genes to use in reduction
... Reserved for future arguments

assay The Seurat assay slot to use to remove immune receptor genes from, NULL

value will default to the default assay

#### Value

Seurat object or vector list with TCR genes removed.

#### Author(s)

Nicky de Vrij, Nikolaj Pagh, Nick Borcherding, Qile Yang

# **Examples**

```
example <- quietVDJgenes(scRep_example)
scRep <- quietTCRgenes(scRep_example)
ibex_example <- quietBCRgenes(scRep_example)</pre>
```

scRep\_example

A Seurat Object of 500 Single T cells,

# **Description**

The object is compatible with contig\_list and the TCR sequencing data can be added with combineExpression. The data is from 4 patients with acute respiratory distress, with samples taken from both the lung and peripheral blood. More information on the data can be found in the following manuscript.

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Calculate Startrac-based Diversity Indices

## **Description**

This function utilizes the STARTRAC approach to calculate T cell diversity metrics based on the work of Zhang et al. (2018, Nature) PMID: 30479382. It can compute three distinct indices: clonal expansion (expa), cross-tissue migration (migr), and state transition (tran).

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#### Usage

```
StartracDiversity(
    sc.data,
    cloneCall = "strict",
    chain = "both",
    index = c("expa", "migr", "tran"),
    type = NULL,
    group.by = NULL,
    pairwise = NULL,
    exportTable = FALSE,
    palette = "inferno",
    ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

sc.data	The single-cell object after combineExpression(). For SCE objects, the cluster variable must be in the meta data under "cluster".
cloneCall	Defines the clonal sequence grouping. Accepted values are: gene (VDJC genes), nt (CDR3 nucleotide sequence), aa (CDR3 amino acid sequence), or strict (VDJC + nt). A custom column header can also be used.
chain	The TCR/BCR chain to use. Use both to include both chains (e.g., TRA/TRB). Accepted values: TRA, TRB, TRG, TRD, IGH, IGL (for both light chains), both.
index	A character vector specifying which indices to calculate. Options: "expa", "migr", "tran". Default is all three.
type	The metadata variable that specifies tissue type for migration analysis.
group.by	A column header in the metadata or lists to group the analysis by (e.g., "sample", "treatment"). If NULL, data will be analyzed as by list element or active identity in the case of single-cell objects.
pairwise	The metadata column to be used for pairwise comparisons. Set to the type variable for pairwise migration or "cluster" for pairwise transition.
exportTable	If TRUE, returns a data frame or matrix of the results instead of a plot.
palette	Colors to use in visualization - input any hcl.pals.
	Additional arguments passed to the ggplot theme

# Details

The function requires a type variable in the metadata, which specifies the tissue origin or any other categorical variable for migration analysis.

## **Indices:**

- **expa (Clonal Expansion):** Measures the extent of clonal proliferation within a T cell cluster. It is calculated as 1 normalized Shannon entropy. A higher value indicates greater expansion of a few clones.
- migr (Cross-Tissue Migration): Quantifies the movement of clonal T cells across different tissues (as defined by the type parameter). It is based on the entropy of a clonotype's distribution across tissues.
- tran (State Transition): Measures the developmental transition of clonal T cells between different functional clusters. It is based on the entropy of a clonotype's distribution across clusters.

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**Pairwise Analysis:** The pairwise parameter enables the calculation of migration or transition between specific pairs of tissues or clusters, respectively.

- For migration (index = "migr"), set pairwise to the type column (e.g., pairwise = "Type").
- For transition (index = "tran"), set pairwise to "cluster".

#### Value

A ggplot object visualizing STARTRAC diversity metrics or data.frame if exportTable = TRUE.

## Author(s)

Liangtao Zheng

## **Examples**

```
# Getting the combined contigs
combined <- combineTCR(contig_list,</pre>
                         samples = c("P17B", "P17L", "P18B", "P18L",
                                      "P19B", "P19L", "P20B", "P20L"))
# Getting a sample of a Seurat object
scRep_example <- get(data("scRep_example"))</pre>
scRep_example <- combineExpression(combined, scRep_example)</pre>
scRep_example$Patient <- substring(scRep_example$orig.ident,1,3)</pre>
scRep_example$Type <- substring(scRep_example$orig.ident,4,4)</pre>
# Calculate a single index (expansion)
StartracDiversity(scRep_example,
                   type = "Type",
                   group.by = "Patient",
                   index = "expa")
# Calculate pairwise transition
StartracDiversity(scRep_example,
                   type = "Type",
                   group.by = "Patient",
                   index = "tran",
                   pairwise = "cluster")
```

subsetClones

Subset The Product of combineTCR() or combineBCR()

## **Description**

This function allows for the subsetting of the product of combineTCR() or combineBCR() by the name of the individual list element.

```
subsetClones(input.data, name, variables = NULL)
```

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# Arguments

input.data The product of combineTCR() or combineBCR().

name The column header/name to use for subsetting.

variables The values to subset by, must be in the in the variable.

#### Value

list of contigs that have been filtered for the name parameter

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