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AllelicImbalance-package

*A package meant to provide all basic functions for high-throughput allele specific expression analysis*

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## Description

Package AllelicImbalance has functions for importing, filtering and plotting high-throughput data to make an allele specific expression analysis. A major aim of this package is to provide functions to collect as much information as possible from regions of choice, and to be able to explore the allelic expression of that region in detail.

## Details

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## Overview - standard procedure

Start out creating a GRange object defining the region of interest. This can also be done using `getAreaFromGeneNames` providing gene names as arguments. Then use `BamImpGAList` to import reads from that region and find potential SNPs using `scanForHeterozygotes`. Then retrieve the allele counts of heterozygote sites by the function `getAlleleCount`. With this data create an ASEset. At this point all pre-requisites for a 'basic' allele specific expression analysis is available. Two ways to go on could be to apply `chisq.test` or `barplot` on this ASEset object.

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## References

Reference to published application note (work in progress)

## See Also

- `code?ASEset`

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annotation-wrappers    *AnnotationDb wrappers*

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## Description

These functions acts as wrappers to retrieve information from annotation database objects (annotationDb objects) or (transcriptDb objects)

## Usage

```
getGenesFromAnnotation(OrgDb, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,  
  getUCSC = FALSE, verbose = FALSE)
```

```
getGenesVector(OrgDb, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0, verbose = FALSE)
```

```
getExonsFromAnnotation(TxDb, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,  
  verbose = FALSE)
```

```
getExonsVector(TxDb, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0, verbose = FALSE)
```

```
getTranscriptsFromAnnotation(TxDb, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,  
  verbose = FALSE)
```

```

getTranscriptsVector(TxDB, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,
  verbose = FALSE)

getCDSFromAnnotation(TxDB, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,
  verbose = FALSE)

getCDSVector(TxDB, GR, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0, verbose = FALSE)

getAnnotationDataFrame(GR, strand = "+", annotationType = NULL,
  OrgDb = NULL, TxDb = NULL, verbose = FALSE)

```

### Arguments

OrgDb	An OrgDb object
GR	A GenomicRanges object with sample area
leftFlank	An integer specifying number of additional nucleotides around the SNPs for the leftFlank
rightFlank	An integer specifying number of additional nucleotides around the SNPs for the rightFlank
getUCSC	A logical indicating if UCSC transcript IDs should also be retrieved
verbose	A logical making the functions more talkative
TxDB	A transcriptDb object
strand	Two options, '+' or '-'
annotationType	select one or more from 'gene', 'exon', 'transcript', 'cds'.

### Details

These functions retrieve regional annotation from OrgDb or TxDb objects, when given GRanges objects.

### Value

GRanges object with ranges over the genes in the region.

The `getGenesVector` function will return a character vector where each element are gene symbols separated by comma

GRanges object with ranges over the exons in the region.

The `getTranscriptsFromAnnotation` function will return a GRanges object with ranges over the transcripts in the region.

The `getCDSFromAnnotation` function will return a GRanges object with ranges over the CDSFs in the region.

The `getExonsVector` function will return a character vector where each element are exons separated by comma

The `getTranscriptsVector` function will return a character vector where each element are transcripts separated by comma

The `getCDSVector` function will return a character vector where each element are CDSs separated by comma

The `getAnnotationDataFrame` function will return a data.frame with annotations. This function is used internally by i.e. the `barplot`-function

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
data(ASEset)
require(org.Hs.eg.db)
require(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene)
OrgDb <- org.Hs.eg.db
TxDb <- TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

#use for example BcfFiles as the source for SNPs of interest
GR <- rowData(ASEset)
#get annotation
g <- getGenesFromAnnotation(OrgDb,GR)
e <- getExonsFromAnnotation(TxDb,GR)
t <- getTranscriptsFromAnnotation(TxDb,GR)
c <- getCDSFromAnnotation(TxDb,GR)
```

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ASEset-barplot

*barplot ASEset objects*

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### Description

Generates barplots for ASEset objects. Two levels of plotting detail are provided: a detailed barplot of read counts by allele useful for fewer samples and SNPs, and a less detailed barplot of the fraction of imbalance, useful for more samples and SNPs.

### Usage

```
barplot(height, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
barplot(height, type = "count", sampleColour = NULL,
  legend = TRUE, pValue = TRUE, strand = "*", testValue = NULL,
  testValue2 = NULL, OrgDb = NULL, TxDb = NULL,
  annotationType = c("gene", "exon", "transcript"), main = NULL,
  ylim = NULL, yaxis = TRUE, xaxis = FALSE, ylab = TRUE, xlab = TRUE,
  legend.colnames = "", las.ylab = 1, las.xlab = 2, cex.main = 1,
  cex.pValue = 0.7, cex.ylab = 0.7, cex.xlab = 0.7, cex.legend = 0.6,
  add = FALSE, lowerLeftCorner = c(0, 0), size = c(1, 1),
  addHorizontalLine = 0.5, add.frame = TRUE,
  filter.pValue.fraction = 0.99, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

height	An ASEset object
...	for simpler generics when extending function
type	'count' or 'fraction'
sampleColour	User specified colours
legend	Display legend
pValue	Display p-value
strand	four options, '+', '-', 'both' or '*'
testValue	if set, a matrix or vector with user p-values
testValue2	if set, a matrix or vector with user p-values
OrgDb	an OrgDb object which provides annotation
TxDb	a TxDb object which provides annotation
annotationType	select one or more from 'gene','exon','transcript','cds'.
main	text to use as main label
ylim	set plot y-axis limit
yaxis	wheter the y-axis is to be displayed or not
xaxis	wheter the x-axis is to be displayed or not
ylab	showing labels for the tic marks
xlab	showing labels for the tic marks
legend.colnames	gives colnames to the legend matrix
las.ylab	orientation of ylab text
las.xlab	orientation of xlab text
cex.main	set main label size (max 2)
cex.pValue	set pValue label size
cex.ylab	set ylab label size
cex.xlab	set xlab label size
cex.legend	set legend label size
add	boolean indicates if a new device should be started
lowerLeftCorner	integer that is only useful when add=TRUE
size	Used internally by locationplot. Rescales each small barplot window
addHorizontalLine	adds a horizontal line that marks the default fraction of 0.5 - 0.5
add.frame	boolean to give the new plot a frame or not
filter.pValue.fraction	numeric between 0 and 1 that filter away pValues where the main allele has this frequency.
verbose	Makes function more talkative

## Details

`filter.pValue.fraction` is intended to remove p-value annotation with very large difference in frequency, which could just be a sequencing mistake. This is to avoid p-values like  $1e-235$  or similar.

`sampleColourUser` specified colours, either given as named colours ('red', 'blue', etc) or as hexadecimal code. Can be either length 1 for all samples, or else of a length corresponding to the number of samples for individual colouring.

## Author(s)

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## See Also

- The [ASEset](#) class which the `barplot` function can be called up on.

## Examples

```
data(ASEset)
barplot(ASEset[1])
```

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ASEset-class

*ASEset objects*

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## Description

Object that holds allele counts, genomic positions and map-bias for a set of SNPs

## Usage

```
alleleCounts(x, strand = "*", return.class = "list")

## S4 method for signature ASEset
alleleCounts(x, strand = "*", return.class = "list")

alleleCounts(x, strand = "*") <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature ASEset
alleleCounts(x, strand = "*") <- value

mapBias(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
mapBias(x, return.class = "list")

fraction(x, strand = "*", verbose = FALSE)
```

```

## S4 method for signature ASEset
fraction(x, strand = "*", verbose = FALSE)

arank(x, return.type = "names", return.class = "list", strand = "*", ...)

frequency(x, ...)

genotype(x)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
genotype(x)

genotype(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature ASEset
genotype(x) <- value

countsPerSnp(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
countsPerSnp(x, return.class = "matrix",
  return.type = "mean", strand = "*")

countsPerSample(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
countsPerSample(x, return.class = "matrix",
  return.type = "mean", strand = "*")

```

### Arguments

x	ASEset object
strand	which strand of '+', '-' or '*'
return.class	return 'list' or 'array'
value	value as replacement
...	additional arguments
verbose	makes function more talkative
return.type	return 'names', rank or 'counts'

### Details

An ASEset object differs from a regular SummarizedExperiment object in that the assays contains an array instead of matrix. This array has ranges on the rows, sampleNames on the columns and variants in the third dimension.

It is possible to use the commands `barplot` and `locationplot` on an ASEset object see more details in [barplot](#) and [locationplot](#).

Three different alleleCount options are available. The simplest one is the \* option, and is for experiments where the strand information is not known e.g. non-stranded data. The unknown strand could also be for strand specific data when the aligner could not find any strand associated with the read, but this should normally not happen, and if it does probably having an extremely low mapping quality. Then there are an option too add plus and minus stranded data. When using this, it is essential to make sure that the RNA-seq experiment under analysis has in fact been created so that correct strand information was obtained. The most functions will by default have their strand argument set to '\*'.

### Value

An object of class ASEset containing location information and allele counts for a number of SNPs measured in a number of samples on various strand, as well as mapBias information. All data is stored in a manner similar to the [SummarizedExperiment](#) class.

### Table

table(...)

Arguments:

... An ASEset object that contains the variants of interest

The generics for table does not easily allow more than one argument so in respect to the different strand options, table will return a SimpleList with length 3, one element for each strand.

### Frequency

frequency(x, return.class = "list", strand = "\*", threshold.count.sample = 15)

Arguments:

x An ASEset object that contains the variants of interest

x threshold.count.samplesif sample has fewer counts the function return NA.

### Constructor

ASEsetFromCountList(rowData, countListNonStranded = NULL, countListPlus = NULL, countListMinus = NULL, countListUnknown = NULL, colData = NULL, mapBiasExpMean = array(), verbose=FALSE ...)

Arguments:

**rowData** A GenomicRanges object that contains the variants of interest

**countListNonStranded** A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows

**countListPlus** A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows

**countListMinus** A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows

**countListUnknown** A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows

**colData** A DataFram object containing sample specific data

**mapBiasExpMean** A 3D array describing mapping bias. The SNPs are in the 1st dimension, samples in the 2nd dimension and variants in the 3rd dimension.

**verbose** Makes function more talkative

... arguments passed on to SummarizedExperiment constructor

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

### See Also

- The [SummarizedExperiment](#) for ranges operations.

### Examples

```
#make example countList
set.seed(42)
countListPlus <- list()
snps <- c(snp1,snp2,snp3,snp4,snp5)
for(snp in snps){
  count<-matrix(rep(0,16),ncol=4,dimnames=list(
c(sample1,sample2,sample3,sample4),
c(A,T,G,C)))
  #insert random counts in two of the alleles
  for(allele in sample(c(A,T,G,C),2)){
count[,allele]<-as.integer(rnorm(4,mean=50,sd=10))
  }
  countListPlus[[snp]] <- count
}

#make example rowData
rowData <- GRanges(
  seqnames = Rle(c(chr1, chr2, chr1, chr3, chr1)),
  ranges = IRanges(1:5, width = 1, names = head(letters,5)),
  snp = paste(snp,1:5,sep=)
)

#make example colData
colData <- DataFrame(Treatment=c(ChIP, Input,Input,ChIP),
  row.names=c(ind1,ind2,ind3,ind4))

#make ASEset
a <- ASEsetFromCountList(rowData, countListPlus=countListPlus,
colData=colData)
```

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ASEset-glocationplot *glocationplot ASEset objects*

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### Description

plotting ASE effects over a specific genomic region using Gviz functionality

### Usage

```
glocationplot(x, type = "fraction", strand = "*", BamGAL = NULL,  
             GenomeAxisTrack = FALSE, trackNameDeAn = paste("deTrack", type),  
             TxDb = NULL, add = FALSE, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	an ASEset object.
type	'fraction' or 'count'
strand	'+', '-', '*' or 'both'. This argument determines which strand is plotted. See <code>getAlleleCounts</code> for more information of choice of strand.
BamGAL	GAlignmentsList covering the same genomic region as the ASEset
GenomeAxisTrack	include an genomic axis track
trackNameDeAn	trackname for deAnnotation track
TxDb	a TxDb object which provides annotation
add	add to existing plot
verbose	Makes function more talkative
...	arguments passed on to barplot function

### Details

The `glocationplot` methods visualises the distribution of ASE over a larger region on one chromosome. It takes an ASEset object as well as additional information on plot type (see `lbarplot`), strand type (see `getAlleleCounts`), Annotation tracks are created from the Gviz package. It is obviously important to make sure that the genome build used is set correctly, e.g. 'hg19'.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin

### See Also

- The `ASEset` class which the `glocationplot` function can be called up on.

**Examples**

```

data(ASEset)
genome(ASEset) <- hg19

glocationplot(ASEset,strand=+)

#for ASEsets with fewer SNPs the count type plot is useful
glocationplot(ASEset,type=count,strand=+)

```

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ASEset-gviztrack      *ASEset-gviztrack ASEset objects*

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**Description**

plotting ASE effects over a specific genomic region

**Usage**

```

ASEDAnnotationTrack(x, GR = rowData(x), type = "fraction", strand = "*",
  trackName = paste("deTrack", type), verbose = TRUE, ...)

```

```

CoverageDataTrack(x, GR = rowData(x), BamList = NULL, strand = NULL,
  start = NULL, end = NULL, trackNameVec = NULL, meanCoverage = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE, ...)

```

**Arguments**

x	an ASEset object.
GR	genomic range of plotting
type	'fraction' or 'count'
strand	'+', '-'. This argument determines which strand is plotted.
trackName	name of track (ASEDAnnotationTrack)
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE gives details of procedure during function run
...	arguments passed on to barplot function
BamList	GAlignmentsList object of reads from the same genomic region as the ASEset
start	start position of reads to be plotted
end	end position of reads to be plotted
trackNameVec	names of tracks (CoverageDataTrack)
meanCoverage	mean of coverage over samples (CoverageGataTrack)

**Details**

For information of how to use these tracks in more ways, visit the Gviz package manual.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin

**See Also**

- The [ASEset](#) class which the functions can be called up on.

**Examples**

```
data(ASEset)
x <- ASEset[,1:2]
r <- reads[1:2]
genome(x) <- hg19
seqlevels(r) <- seqlevels(x)

GR <- GRanges(seqnames=seqlevels(x),ranges=IRanges(start=min(start(x)),end=max(end(x))),strand=+, genome=genome)

deTrack <- ASEAnnotationTrack(x, GR=GR, type=fraction,strand=+)
covTracks <- CoverageDataTrack(x,BamList=r,strand=+)

lst <- c(deTrack,covTracks)

sizes <- c(0.5,rep(0.5/length(covTracks),length(covTracks)))
#temporarily do not run this function
#plotTracks(lst, from=min(start(x)), to=max(end(x)),
#sizes=sizes, col.line = NULL, showId = FALSE, main=mainText,
#cex.main=1, title.width=1, type=histogram)
```

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ASEset-lbarplot

*lbarplot ASEset objects*

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**Description**

Generates lbarplots for ASEset objects. Two levels of plotting detail are provided: a detailed lbarplot of read counts by allele useful for fewer samples and SNPs, and a less detailed lbarplot of the fraction of imbalance, useful for more samples and SNPs.

**Usage**

```
lbarplot(x, type = "count", strand = "*", verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An ASEset object
type	'count' or 'fraction'
strand	four options, '+', '-', 'both' or '*'
verbose	Makes function more talkative
...	for simpler generics when extending function

**Details**

This function serves the same purpose as the normal barplot, but with trellis graphics using lattice, to be able to integrate well with Gviz track functionality.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin

**See Also**

- The [ASEset](#) class which the lbarplot function can be called up on.
- The [barplot](#) non trellis barplot.

**Examples**

```
data(ASEset)
lbarplot(ASEset[1])
```

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ASEset-locationplot    *locationplot ASEset objects*

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**Description**

plotting ASE effects over a specific genomic region

**Usage**

```
locationplot(x, type = "fraction", strand = "*", yaxis = TRUE,
  xaxis = FALSE, xlab = FALSE, ylab = TRUE, legend.colnames = "",
  size = 0.9, main = NULL, pValue = FALSE, cex.main = 0.7,
  cex.ylab = 0.6, cex.legend = 0.6, OrgDb = NULL, TxDb = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	an ASEset object.
type	'fraction' or 'count'
strand	'+', '-', '*' or 'both'. This argument determines which strand is plotted. See <code>getAlleleCounts</code> for more information on strand.
yaxis	whether the y-axis is to be displayed or not
xaxis	whether the x-axis is to be displayed or not
xlab	showing labels for the tic marks
ylab	showing labels for the tic marks
legend.colnames	gives colnames to the legend matrix

size	will give extra space in the margins of the inner plots
main	text to use as main label
pValue	Display p-value
cex.main	set main label size
cex.ylab	set ylab label size
cex.legend	set legend label size
OrgDb	an OrgDb object from which to plot a gene map. If given together with argument TxDb this will only be used to extract genesymbols.
TxDb	a TxDb object from which to plot an exon map.
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE gives details of procedure during function run
...	arguments passed on to barplot function

### Details

The locationplot methods visualises how fractions are distributed over a larger region of genes on one chromosome. It takes an ASEset object as well as additional information on plot type (see [barplot](#)), strand type (see [getAlleleCounts](#)), colouring, as well as annotation. The annotation is taken either from the bioconductor OrgDb-sets, the TxDb sets or both. It is obviously important to make sure that the genome build used is the same as used in aligning the RNA-seq data.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

### See Also

- The [ASEset](#) class which the locationplot function can be called up on.

### Examples

```
data(ASEset)
locationplot(ASEset)

#SNPs are plotted in the order in which they are found.
#This can be sorted according to location as follows:
locationplot(ASEset[order(start(rowData(ASEset))),])

#for ASEsets with fewer SNPs the count type plot is
# useful for detailed visualization.
locationplot(ASEset, type=count, strand=*)
```

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ASEset.sim	<i>ASEset.sim object</i>
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**Description**

ASEset with simulated data with SNPs within the first 200bp of chromosome 17, which is required to have example data for the refAllele function.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
##load eample data (Not Run)
#data(ASEset.sim)
```

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barplot-lattice-support	<i>lattice barplot inner functions for ASEset objects</i>
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**Description**

Generates lattice barplots for ASEset objects. Two levels of plotting detail are provided: a detailed barplot of read counts by allele useful for fewer samples and SNPs, and a less detailed barplot of the fraction of imbalance, useful for more samples and SNPs.

**Usage**

```
barplotLatticeFraction(identifier, ...)
barplotLatticeCounts(identifier, ...)
```

**Arguments**

identifier,	the single snp name to plot
...	used to pass on variables

**Details**

filter.pValue.fraction is intended to remove p-value annotation with very large difference in frequency, which could just be a sequencing mistake. This is to avoid p-values like 1e-235 or similar.

sampleColourUser specified colours, either given as named colours ('red', 'blue', etc) or as hexadecimal code. Can be either length 1 for all samples, or else of a length corresponding to the number of samples for individual colouring.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [ASEset](#) class which the barplot function can be called up on.

**Examples**

```
a <- ASEset
name <- rownames(a)[1]

barplotLatticeFraction(identifier=name, x=a, astrand="+")
barplotLatticeCounts(identifier=name, x=a, astrand="+")
```

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binom.test

*binomial test*

---

**Description**

Performs a binomial test on an ASEset object.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature ASEset
binom.test(x, n = "*")
```

**Arguments**

x	ASEset object
n	strand option

**Details**

the test can only be applied to one strand at the time.

**Value**

binom.test returns a matrix

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [chisq.test](#) which is another test that can be applied on an [ASEset](#) object.

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)

#make a binomial test
binom.test(ASEset,*)
```

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boxplot

*boxplots*

---

**Description**

uses base graphics box plot

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
boxplot(x, strand = "*", labels.axis = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	ReferenceBias object
strand	'+', '-' or '*'
labels.axis	logical
...	arguments to forward to internal boxplots function

**Details**

The boxplot will show the density over frequencies for each sample

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data

data("ReferenceBias")
boxplot(ReferenceBias)
```

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chisq.test	<i>chi-square test</i>
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### Description

Performs a `chisq.test` on an `ASEset` object.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature ASEset
chisq.test(x, y = "*")
```

### Arguments

x	ASEset object
y	strand option

### Details

The test is performed on one strand in an `ASEset` object.

### Value

`chisq.test` returns a matrix with the `chisq.test` P-value for each SNP and sample

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

### See Also

- The [binom.test](#) which is another test that can be applied on an [ASEset](#) object.

### Examples

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)

#make a chi-square test on default non-stranded strand
chisq.test(ASEset)
```

coverageMatrixListFromGAL

*coverage matrix of GAlignmentsList*

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### Description

Get coverage per nucleotide for reads covering a region

### Usage

```
coverageMatrixListFromGAL(BamList, strand = "*",  
  ignore.empty.bam.row = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

BamList	GAlignmentsList containing reads over the region to calculate coverage
strand	strand has to be '+' or '-'
ignore.empty.bam.row	argument not in use atm

### Details

a convenience function to get the coverage from a list of reads stored in GAlignmentsList, and returns by default a list with one matrix, and information about the genomic start and stop positions.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin

### Examples

```
r <- reads  
seqlevels(r) <- 17  
covMatList <- coverageMatrixListFromGAL(BamList=r, strand=+)
```

---

defaultMapBias

*Generate default mapbias from genotype*

---

### Description

Create mapbias array from genotype matrix requires genotype information

**Usage**

```
defaultMapBias(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
defaultMapBias(x)
```

**Arguments**

```
x          ASEset object
...        internal arguments
```

**Details**

Default mapbias will be 0.5 for bi-allelic snps and 1 for homozygots. For genotypes with NA, 0.5 will be placed on all four alleles. Therefore tri-allelic can not be used atm. Genotype information has to be placed in the genotype(x) assay.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset.sim)

fasta <- system.file(extdata/hg19.chr17.subset.fa, package=AllelicImbalance)
refAllele(ASEset.sim,fasta=fasta)
a <- refAllele(ASEset.sim,fasta=fasta)
```

---

detectAI

*detectAI*

---

**Description**

detection of AllelicImbalance

**Usage**

```
detectAI(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
detectAI(x, return.class = "logical",
  return.type = "all", strand = "*", threshold.frequency = 0.05,
  threshold.count.sample = 5, min.delta.frequency = 0.05,
  max.pvalue = 0.05, function.test = "binom.test")
```

**Arguments**

`x` ASEset  
`...` internal arguments  
`return.class` class to return (atm only class 'logical')  
`return.type` 'ref', 'alt' or default: 'all'  
`strand` strand to infer from  
`threshold.frequency`  
least fraction to classify (see details)  
`threshold.count.sample`  
least amount of counts to try to infer allele  
`min.delta.frequency`  
minimum of frequency difference from 0.5 (or mapbias adjusted value)  
`max.pvalue` pvalue over this number will be filtered out  
`function.test` At the moment the only available option is 'binomial.test'

**Details**

`threshold.frequency` is the least fraction needed to classify as bi tri or quad allelic SNPs. If 'all' then all of bi tri and quad allelic SNPs will use the same threshold. Everything under the threshold will be regarded as noise. 'all' will return a matrix with snps as rows and uni bi tri and quad will be columns. For this function Anything that will return TRUE for tri-allelic will also return TRUE for uni and bi-allelic for the same SNP an Sample.

`return.type` 'ref' return only AI when reference allele is more expressed. 'alt' return only AI when alternative allele is more expressed or 'all' for both 'ref' and 'alt' alleles. Reference allele is the one present in the reference genome on the forward strand.

`min.delta.frequency` and `function.test` will use the value in `mapBias(x)` as expected value.

`function.test` will use the two most expressed alleles for testing. Make therefore sure there are no tri-allelic SNPs or somatic mutations among the SNPs in the ASEset.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin

**Examples**

```

#load example data
data(ASEset)
a <- ASEset

dai <- detectAI(a)

```

---

genofilters                    *genotype filter methods*

---

**Description**

useful genotype filters

**Arguments**

x                    ASEset object

**Details**

These filters are called upon ASEset objects

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)
a <- ASEset
genotype(a) <- inferGenotypes(a)
hets <- hetFilt(a)
```

---

getAlleleCounts                    *snp count data*

---

**Description**

Given the positions of known SNPs, this function returns allele counts from a BamGRL object

**Usage**

```
getAlleleCounts(BamList, GRvariants, strand = "*", return.type = "list",
  verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

BamList	A GAlignmentsList object or GRangesList object containing data imported from a bam file
GRvariants	A GRanges object that contains positions of SNPs to retrieve
strand	A length 1 character with value '+', '-', or '*'. This argument determines if getAlleleCounts will retrieve counts from all reads, or only from reads marked as '+', '-' or '*' (unknown), respectively.
return.type	'list' or 'array'
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE makes function more talkative

**Details**

This function is used to retrieve the allele counts from specified positions in a set of RNA-seq reads. The BamList argument will typically have been created using the impBamGAL function on bam-files. The GRvariants is either a GRanges with user-specified locations or else it is generated through scanning the same bam-files as in BamList for heterozygote locations (e.g. using scanForHeterozygotes). The GRvariants will currently only accept locations having width=1, corresponding to bi-allelic SNPs. In the strand argument, specifying '\*' is the same as retrieving the sum count of '+' and '-' reads (and unknown strand reads in case these are found in the bam file). '\*' is the default behaviour and can be used when the RNA-seq experiments strand information is not available.

**Value**

getAlleleCounts returns a list of several data.frame objects, each storing the count data for one SNP.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [scanForHeterozygotes](#) which is a function to find possible heterozygote sites in a GAlignmentsList object

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(reads)
data(GRvariants)

#get counts at the three positions specified in GRvariants
alleleCount <- getAlleleCounts(BamList=reads,GRvariants,
strand=*)

#if the reads had contained stranded data, these two calls would
#have given the correct input objects for getAlleleCounts
```

```
alleleCountPlus <- getAlleleCounts(BamList=reads,GRvariants,  
strand=+)  
alleleCountMinus <- getAlleleCounts(BamList=reads,GRvariants,  
strand=-)
```

---

getAreaFromGeneNames    *Get Gene Area*

---

## Description

Given a character vector with genesymbols and an OrgDb object, this function returns a GRanges giving the coordinates of the genes.

## Usage

```
getAreaFromGeneNames(genesymbols, OrgDb, leftFlank = 0, rightFlank = 0,  
na.rm = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

genesymbols	A character vector that contains genesymbols of genes from which we wish to retrieve the coordinates
OrgDb	An OrgDb object containing gene annotation
leftFlank	A integer specifying number of additional nucleotides before the genes
rightFlank	A integer specifying number of additional nucleotides after the genes
na.rm	A boolean removing genes that returned NA from the annotation
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE makes function more talkative

## Details

This function is a convenience function that can be used to determine which genomic coordinates to specify to e.g. impBamGAL when retrieving reads.

The function cannot handle genes that do not exist in the annotation. To remove these please set the na.rm=TRUE.

## Value

getAreaFromGeneNames returns a GRanges object with genomic coordinates around the specified genes

## Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)

#get counts at the three positions specified in GRvariants
library(org.Hs.eg.db )
searchArea<-getAreaFromGeneNames(c(PAX8,TLR7), org.Hs.eg.db)
```

---

```
getDefaultMapBiasExpMean
      Map Bias
```

---

**Description**

an allele frequency list

**Usage**

```
getDefaultMapBiasExpMean(alleleCountList)
```

**Arguments**

```
alleleCountList
      A GRangesList object containing read information
```

**Details**

This function will assume there is no bias that comes from the mapping of reads, and therefore create a matrix with expected frequency of 0.5 for each allele.

**Value**

getDefaultMapBiasExpMean returns a matrix with a default expected mean of 0.5 for every element.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)
#access SnpAfList
alleleCountList <- alleleCounts(ASEset)
#get default map bias exp mean
matExpMean <- getDefaultMapBiasExpMean(alleleCountList)
```

---

getSnpIdFromLocation *Get rsIDs from locations of SNP*

---

### Description

Given a GRanges object of SNPs and a SNPlocs annotation, this function attempts to replace the names of the GRanges object entries with rs-IDs.

### Usage

```
getSnpIdFromLocation(GR, SNPloc, return.vector = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

GR	A GRanges that contains positions of SNPs to look up
SNPloc	A SNPlocs object containing information on SNP locations (e.g. SNPlocs.Hsapiens.dbSNP.xxxxxxxx)
return.vector	Setting return.vector=TRUE returns vector with rsIDs
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE makes function more talkative

### Details

This function is used to try to identify the rs-IDs of SNPs in a GRanges object.

### Value

getSnpIdFromLocation returns the same GRanges object it was given with, but with updated with rs.id information.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

### Examples

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)

#get counts at the three positions specified in GRvariants
if(require(SNPlocs.Hsapiens.dbSNP.20120608)){
  updatedGRanges<-getSnpIdFromLocation(rowData(ASEset), SNPlocs.Hsapiens.dbSNP.20120608)
  rowData(ASEset)<-updatedGRanges
}
```

---

GRvariants

*GRvariants object*


---

**Description**

this data is a GRanges object that contains the ranges for three example SNPs.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [reads](#) which is another example object

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(GRvariants)
```

---

histplot

*histogram plots*


---

**Description**

uses base graphics hist plot

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
hist(x, strand = "*", ...)

## S4 method for signature ASEset
hist(x, strand = "*", type = "mean", log = 1, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	ReferenceBias object or ASEset object
strand	'+', '-' or '*'
...	arguments to forward to internal boxplots function
type	'mean' (only one option atm)
log	an integer to log each value (integer 10 for log10)

**Details**

The histogram will show the density over frequencies for each sample

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
##load example data

#data(ASEset)
#a <- ASEset
#hist(a)
```

---

`implodeList`

*implode list of arguments into environment*

---

**Description**

apply on list of variables to be put in the local environment

**Usage**

```
implodeList(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                   list of variables

**Details**

help the propagation of e.g. graphical paramters

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin

**Examples**

```
lst <- list(hungry=yes, thirsty=no)
implodeList(lst)
#the check ls()
ls()
```

import-bam

*Import Bam***Description**

Imports a specified genomic region from a bam file using a GenomicRanges object as search area.

**Usage**

```
impBamGRL(UserDir, searchArea, verbose = TRUE)
```

```
impBamGAL(UserDir, searchArea, XStag = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

UserDir	The relative or full path of folder containing bam files.
searchArea	A GenomicRanges object that contains the regions of interest
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE gives details of procedure during function run.
XStag	Setting XStag=TRUE stores the strand specific information in the mcols slot 'XS'

**Details**

These functions are wrappers to import bam files into R and store them into either GRanges, GAlignments or GappedAlignmentpairs objects.

It is recommended to use the impBamGAL() which takes information of gaps into account. It is also possible to use the other variants as well, but then pre-filtering becomes important because gapped, intron-spanning reads will cause problems. This is because the GRanges objects can not handle if gaps are present and will then give a wrong result when calculating the allele (SNP) count table.

If the sequence data is strand-specific you may want to set XStag=TRUE. The strand specific information will then be stored in the meta columns with column name 'XS'.

**Value**

impBamGRL returns a GRangesList object containing the RNA-seq reads in the region defined by the searchArea argument. impBamGAL returns a list with GAlignments objects containing the RNA-seq reads in the region defined by the searchArea argument. funImpBamGAPL returns a list with GappedAlignmentPairs object containing the RNA-seq reads in the region defined by the searchArea argument.

**Note**

A typical next step after the import of bam files is to obtain SNP information. This can be done either with the impBcfGRL and getAlleleCounts functions. Alternatively the scanForHeterozygotes function provides R-based functionality for identifying heterozygote coding SNPs.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [impBcfGRL](#) for importing Bcf files.

**Examples**

```
#Declare searchArea
searchArea <- GRanges(seqnames=c(17), ranges=IRanges(79478301,79478361))

#Relative or full path
pathToFiles <- system.file(extdata/ERP000101_subset, package=AllelicImbalance)

reads <- impBamGAL(pathToFiles,searchArea,verbose=FALSE)
```

---

import-bcf

*Import Bcf Selection*

---

**Description**

Imports a selection of a bcf file or files specified by a GenomicRanges object as search area.

**Usage**

```
impBcfGRL(UserDir, searchArea = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

```
impBcfGR(UserDir, searchArea = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

UserDir	The relative or full path of folder containing bam files.
searchArea	A GenomicRanges object that contains the regions of interest
verbose	Setting verbose=TRUE gives details of the procedure during function run.

**Details**

A wrapper to import bcf files into R in the form of GenomicRanges objects.

**Value**

BcfImpGRL returns a GRangesList object. BcfImpGR returns one GRanges object of all unique entries from one or more bcf files.

**Note**

Make sure there is a complementary index file \*.bcf.bci for each bcf file in UserDir. If there is not, then the functions `impBcfGRL` and `impBcfGR` will try to create them.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [impBamGRL](#) for importing bam files
- The [getAlleleCounts](#) for how to get allele(SNP) counts
- The [scanForHeterozygotes](#) for how to find possible heterozygote positions

**Examples**

```
#Declare searchArea
searchArea <- GRanges(seqnames=c(17), ranges=IRanges(79478301,79478361))

#Relative or full path
pathToFiles <- system.file(extdata/ERP000101_subset, package=AllelicImbalance)

#import
reads <- impBcfGRL(pathToFiles, searchArea, verbose=FALSE)
```

---

inferAlleles

*inference of SNPs of ASEset*

---

**Description**

inference of SNPs

**Usage**

```
inferAlleles(x, strand = "*", return.type = "all",
  threshold.frequency = 0.2, threshold.count.sample = 5,
  inferOver = "eachSample", allow.NA = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	ASEset
strand	strand to infer from
return.type	'uni' 'bi' 'tri' 'quad' 'all'
threshold.frequency	least fraction to classify (see details)

```

threshold.count.sample      least amount of counts to try to infer allele
inferOver                   'eachSample' or 'allSamples'
allow.NA                    treat NA as zero when TRUE

```

### Details

threshold.frequency is the least fraction needed to classify as bi tri or quad allelic SNPs. If 'all' then all of bi tri and quad allelic SNPs will use the same threshold. Everything under the threshold will be regarded as noise. 'all' will return a matrix with snps as rows and uni bi tri and quad will be columns. For this function Anything that will return TRUE for tri-allelic will also return TRUE for uni and bi-allelic for the same SNP an Sample.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin

### Examples

```

data(ASEset)
i <- inferAlleles(ASEset)

```

---

inferGenotypes	<i>inference of genotypes from ASEset count data</i>
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---

### Description

inference of genotypes

### Usage

```

inferGenotypes(x, strand = "*", return.class = "matrix",
  return.allele.allowed = c("bi", "tri", "quad"),
  threshold.frequency = 0.05, threshold.count.sample = 0)

```

### Arguments

```

x                ASEset
strand           strand to infer from
return.class     'matrix' or 'vector'
return.allele.allowed
                vector with 'bi' 'tri' or 'quad'. 'uni' Always gets returned
threshold.frequency
                least fraction to classify (see details)
threshold.count.sample
                least amount of counts to try to infer allele

```

**Details**

Often necessary information to link AI to SNPs outside coding region

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin

**Examples**

```
data(ASEset)
g <- inferGenotypes(ASEset)
```

---

<code>initialize-ASEset</code>	<i>Initialize ASEset</i>
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---

**Description**

Functions to construct ASEset objects

**Usage**

```
ASEsetFromCountList(rowData, countListUnknown = NULL, countListPlus = NULL,
  countListMinus = NULL, colData = NULL, mapBiasExpMean = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>rowData</code>	A <code>GenomicRanges</code> object that contains the variants of interest
<code>countListUnknown</code>	A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows
<code>countListPlus</code>	A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows
<code>countListMinus</code>	A list where each entry is a matrix with allele counts as columns and sample counts as rows
<code>colData</code>	A <code>DataFrame</code> object containing sample specific data
<code>mapBiasExpMean</code>	A 3D array where the SNPs are in the 1st dimension, samples in the 2nd dimension and variants in the 3rd dimension.
<code>verbose</code>	Makes function more talkative
<code>...</code>	arguments passed on to <code>SummarizedExperiment</code> constructor

**Details**

The resulting ASEset object is based on the SummarizedExperiment, and will therefore inherit the same accessors and ranges operations.

If both countListPlus and countListMinus are given they will be used to calculate countListUnknown, which is the sum of the plus and minus strands.

countListPlus, countListMinus and countListUnknown are i.e. the outputs from the [getAlleleCounts](#) function.

**Value**

ASEsetFromCountList returns an ASEset object.

**Note**

ASEsetFromCountList requires the same input data as an SummarizedExperiment, but with minimum one assay for the allele counts.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [SummarizedExperiment](#) for ranges operations.

**Examples**

```
#make example alleleCountListPlus
set.seed(42)
countListPlus <- list()
snps <- c(snp1,snp2,snp3,snp4,snp5)
for(snp in snps){
  count<-matrix(rep(0,16),ncol=4,dimnames=list(
  c(sample1,sample2,sample3,sample4),
  c(A,T,G,C)))
  #insert random counts in two of the alleles
  for(allele in sample(c(A,T,G,C),2)){
    count[,allele]<-as.integer(rnorm(4,mean=50,sd=10))
  }
  countListPlus[[snp]] <- count
}
```

```
#make example alleleCountListMinus
countListMinus <- list()
snps <- c(snp1,snp2,snp3,snp4,snp5)
for(snp in snps){
  count<-matrix(rep(0,16),ncol=4,dimnames=list(
  c(sample1,sample2,sample3,sample4),
  c(A,T,G,C)))
  #insert random counts in two of the alleles
```

```

for(allele in sample(c(A,T,G,C),2)){
count[,allele]<-as.integer(rnorm(4,mean=50,sd=10))
}
countListMinus[[snp]] <- count
}

#make example rowData
rowData <- GRanges(
seqnames = Rle(c(chr1, chr2, chr1, chr3, chr1)),
ranges = IRanges(1:5, width = 1, names = head(letters,5)),
snp = paste(snp,1:5,sep=)
)
#make example colData
colData <- DataFrame(Treatment=c(ChIP, Input,Input,ChIP),
row.names=c(ind1,ind2,ind3,ind4))

#make ASEset
a <- ASEsetFromCountList(rowData, countListPlus=countListPlus,
countListMinus=countListMinus, colData=colData)

```

---

```
initialize-ReferenceBias
```

*Initialize ReferenceBias*

---

## Description

Functions to construct ReferenceBias objects

## Usage

```
RBias(x = "ASEset", ...)
```

## Arguments

x	ASEset
...	internal arguments

## Details

produces a class container for reference bias calculations

## Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
data(ASEset)
a <- ASEset
refbiasObject <- RBias(a)
```

---

reads	<i>reads object</i>
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---

**Description**

This data set corresponds to the BAM-file data import illustrated in the vignette. The data set consists of a chromosome 17 region from 20 RNA-seq experiments of HapMap samples.

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**References**

Montgomery SB et al. Transcriptome genetics using second generation sequencing in a Caucasian population. Nature. 2010 Apr 1;464(7289):773-7.

**See Also**

- The [GRvariants](#) which is another example object

**Examples**

```
##load eample data (Not Run)
#data(reads)
```

---

refAllele	<i>Reference allele</i>
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---

**Description**

Extract the allele based on SNP location from the reference fasta file

**Usage**

```
refAllele(x, fasta)
```

**Arguments**

x	ASEset object
fasta	path to fasta file, index should be located in the same folder

**Details**

The alleles will be placed in the rowData() meta column 'ref'

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset.sim)

fasta <- system.file(extdata/hg19.chr17.subset.fa, package=AllelicImbalance)
refAllele(ASEset.sim,fasta=fasta)
a <- refAllele(ASEset.sim,fasta=fasta)
```

---

ReferenceBias-class    *ReferenceBias class*

---

**Description**

Object that holds Reference bias information

**Usage**

```
refbiasByAnnotation(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
refbiasByAnnotation(x, TxDb)

## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
frequency(x, return.class = "matrix",
  strand = "*")

hetPerSample(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
hetPerSample(x, return.class = "vector",
  strand = "*")

hetPerSnp(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
hetPerSnp(x, return.class = "vector",
  strand = "*")
```

**Arguments**

x	ReferenceBias object
...	pass arguments to internal functions
TxDB	A transcriptDb object
return.class	class to return
strand	'+', '-' or '*'

**Details**

Reference bias-class contain annotated fractions of the reference allele

Shortly the ReferenceBias-class most prominent purpose is quickly to be able to dispatch on methods like, 'plot', 'summary' and similar.

**Value**

An object of class ReferenceBias storing reference fractions.

**Constructor**

```
refBias(x = ASEset)
  Arguments:
  x an ASEset object
```

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
data(ASEset)
a <- ASEset
rb <- RBias(a)
```

---

ReferenceBias-show     *genotype filter methods*

---

**Description**

useful genotype filters

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature ReferenceBias
show(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            ReferenceBias object

**Details**

These filters are called upon ASEset objects

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
cat("there is no example data yet for this method")
```

---

refFraction            *reference fraction*

---

**Description**

The fractions for all heterozygote reference alleles

**Usage**

```
refFraction(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    ASEset object  
...                   arguments to forward to internal functions

**Details**

Necessary to measure the effect of mapbias over heterozygous SNPs

**Author(s)**

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**Examples**

```
#load example data
data(ASEset)
a <- ASEset
rf <- refFraction(a, strand="*")
```

---

scanForHeterozygotes *scanForHeterozygotes*

---

### Description

Identifies the positions of SNPs found in BamGR reads.

### Usage

```
scanForHeterozygotes(BamList, minimumReadsAtPos = 20,  
  maximumMajorAlleleFrequency = 0.9, minimumMinorAlleleFrequency = 0.1,  
  minimumBiAllelicFrequency = 0.9, verbose = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

BamList	A GAlignmentsList object
minimumReadsAtPos	minimum number of reads required to call a SNP at a given position
maximumMajorAlleleFrequency	maximum frequency allowed for the most common allele. Setting this parameter lower will minimise the SNP calls resulting from technical read errors, at the cost of missing loci with potential strong ASE
minimumMinorAlleleFrequency	minimum frequency allowed for the second most common allele. Setting this parameter higher will minimise the SNP calls resulting from technical read errors, at the cost of missing loci with potential strong ASE
minimumBiAllelicFrequency	minimum frequency allowed for the first and second most common allele. Setting a Lower value for this parameter will minimise the identification of loci with three or more alleles in one sample. This is useful if sequencing errors are suspected to be common.
verbose	logical indicating if process information should be displayed

### Details

This function scans all reads stored in a GAlignmentsList for possible heterozygote positions. The user can balance the sensitivity of the search by modifying the minimumReadsAtPos, maximumMajorAlleleFrequency and minimumBiAllelicFrequency arguments.

### Value

scanForHeterozygotes returns a GRanges object with the SNPs for the BamList object that was used as input.

### Author(s)

Jesper R. Gadin, Lasse Folkersen

**See Also**

- The [getAlleleCounts](#) which is a function that count the number of reads overlapping a site.

**Examples**

```
data(reads)
s <- scanForHeterozygotes(reads, verbose=FALSE)
```

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