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Description BrainImageR is a package that provides the user with information of where in the human brain their gene set corresponds to. This is provided both as a continuous variable and as a easily-interpretable image. BrainImageR has additional functionality of identifying approximately when in developmental time that a gene expression dataset corresponds to. Both the spatial gene set enrichment and the developmental time point prediction are assessed in comparison to the Allen Brain Atlas reference data.

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available\_areanames List of areas that are present in a plotted brain slice

# Description

provides all brain areas within a slice for a refset.

# Usage

```
available_areanames(composite, slice = NULL)
```

# Arguments

composite Object from either SpatialEnrichment or CreateBrain

slice Section of the brain to be queried

# Value

all areas present in the brain section of interest

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## **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##Load in a gene set
data(vth)
##calculate spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#available_areanames(composite, slice = 5)</pre>
```

BrainMap

Internal- Overlaps regional enrichment into a single section

# **Description**

BrainMap Merges maps from reColor

# Usage

# **Arguments**

dim numeric dimensions of the original image

tissueExp counts of genes per tissue, from SpatialEnrichment.

Abrev character of all regions in the given section

Files character of tiff images for each region

slice integer of current slice

refset character of reference brain map

# Value

returns a matrix weighted by the gene overlap

```
##Internal to brainImageR, called within CreateBrain
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First load in a gene set
data(vth)
##calculate the spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#tissueExp <- Boot(composite)

##Select the slice of interest
#slice <- 4
#Files <- .cache[["EH1434"]][[slice]]
#dim <- .cache[["EH1436"]][[slice]]
#Select the region of interest
#Abrev <- .cache[["EH1438"]]</pre>
```

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```
#abrev <- "VZ"

# map <- BrainMap(dim = dim ,
# tissueExp = tissueExp,
# Abrev = Abrev, Files = Files,
# slice = slice,
# refset = "developing")</pre>
```

brainrange

brainrange

# Description

creates a sequence of numbers from first to last by the given interval

# Usage

```
brainrange(first = 0, last = 1, by = 1)
```

# Arguments

first starting value number

last ending value

by amount to move by in sequence

# Value

vector of numbers

# **Examples**

```
brainrange(1,10,0.5)
```

Comp-class

Comp keeps track of Spatial Enrichment calculations and parameters

# Description

Comp tracks the parameters and calculations throughout spatial gene set enrichment.

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#### **Slots**

```
genes character vector of query genes

tissueExp1 named numeric vector of query gene count in tissues

tissueExp2 named numeric vector of avg.

random.matrix matrix of overlap at random, size = boot replicates

refset character noting developing or adult reference

background gene count in tissues

composite composite image matrix
```

# **Examples**

```
comp <- methods::new(Class="Comp",
genes = c("a","b"),
tissueExp1 = c(10,12),
tissueExp2 = c(10,13),
composite = matrix(0,nrow=10,ncol=10),
random.matrix = data.frame(matrix(0,nrow=10,ncol=10)),
refset = "developing"
)</pre>
```

CreateBrain

Overlap spatial enrichment information and anatomical organization

# Description

CreateBrain convert spatial enrichment into anatomical coordinates.

# Usage

```
CreateBrain(composite, boot, slice, pcut = 0.05)
```

# Arguments

composite Comp object returned from SpatialEnrichment
boot result from testEnrich including significance estimates
slice integer brain section
pcut numeric padj filter.

#### Value

Comp object

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#### **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment.
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#tissueExp1 <- composite@tissueExp1
#random.matrix <- composite@random.matrix
##Calculate the significance estimates
#boot <- testEnrich(composite)
##Color the brain section of interest with enrichment
#composite <- CreateBrain(composite, boot, slice = 6, pcut = 0.05)
##Plot the brain
#PlotBrain(composite, Breaks = 12)</pre>
```

dat

In vitro temporal data of human neural progenitor cells and neurons

# **Description**

RNA-seq data: Induced pluripotent stem cells were differentiated into neural progenitor cells (NPC.1, NPC.2, NPC.3, NPC.4) that were patterned for the forebrain lineage. Neurons were differentiated from these neural progenitor cells (Neurons.5, Neurons.6). RNA was collected from both NPCs and neurons, poly(A) cDNA libraries were generated, and sequenced on an Illumina HiSeq 2500. RNA-seq data was aligned to the human Hg19 reference, and counts were normalized into log2(TPM + 1) values. Gene names are in human symbol format.

# Usage

dat

#### **Format**

10193 X 6 data.frame

GetGenes

GenGenes

#### **Description**

GetGenes returns the genes that are expressed within a given tissue

# Usage

```
GetGenes(genes, composite, tissue_abrev = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

genes Query gene list.

composite Result from SpatialEnrichment

tissue\_abrev The tissue of interest.

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#### Value

Gene overlap between query and tissue of interest

#### **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment.
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
##Ask which genes are present in any given tissue.
#available_areanames(composite, slice = 4)
#vth_in_VZ <- GetGenes(vth, composite, tissue_abrev = "VZ")</pre>
```

hipp

Hippocampal genes using the adult human brain as reference

# **Description**

Hippocampal genes were identified using the differential search tool on the Allen Brain Atlas Human brain map. The hippocampal formation was contrasted to neighboring regions to identify a gene list that was enriched within the hippocampus.

# Usage

hipp

### **Format**

a vector with 1302 gene names

InABA

Quick search for presence of genes in the ABA list

# **Description**

InABA checks for the gene name in the ABA dataset

#### Usage

```
InABA(genes, refset = c("developing", "adult"))
```

# **Arguments**

genes genes to search

refset reference brain map. developing (default) or adult

#### Value

returns the list of genes that are also present in the ABA dataset

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#### **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First load in a gene set
data(vth)
##Then query the dataset to see which genes are present
#vth_in <- InABA(vth)
#head(vth_in)
#length(vth_in) / length(vth)</pre>
```

PlotBrain

Color and Plot the SGSE image

# **Description**

PlotBrain Plots CreateBrain. The gene set enrichment observe within the microdissected tissues (results of testEnrich) are combined here to show gene set enrichment across broad brain regions. Enriched regions are colored in red, and regions depleted for the query gene list are colored in blue.

# Usage

```
PlotBrain(composite, legend = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

composite Comp object returned from CreateBrain.

legend Boolean whether the legend should be included. Default = TRUE

# **Details**

PlotBrain plots your spatial gene set enrichment image.

## Value

plots the SGSE brain image

```
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment.
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
##Calculate the significance of the gene set enrichment
#boot <- testEnrich(composite)
##Color the brain section of interest
#composite <- CreateBrain(composite, boot, slice = 5, pcut = 0.05)
##Plot the brain
#PlotBrain(composite)</pre>
```

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PlotEnrich

PlotEnrich

# **Description**

A quick plot to assess the enrichments returned from testEnrich. Gene overlap calculated by random chance is plotted on the x-axis and the gene overlap from the query set on the y-axis. Each dot represents an individual microdissected tissue. Note that the signficance estimate is only dependent on the randomly generated overlaps if the p-values were calculated with the bootstrap procedure.

#### Usage

```
PlotEnrich(boot)
```

# **Arguments**

boot

Comp object returned from the testEnrich function

#### Value

Spatial enrichment plot

# **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, 20, "developing")
#tissueExp1 <- composite@tissueExp1
#random.matrix <- composite@random.matrix
##Calculate the significance estimates
#boot <- testEnrich(composite)
#PlotEnrich(boot)</pre>
```

PlotPred

Plot your temporal predictions

# **Description**

PlotPred Plots the temporal predictions.

# Usage

```
PlotPred(time)
```

#### **Arguments**

time

Object returned from predict\_time

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#### Value

prediction plot

#### **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##Load in data
data(dat)
##predict time
#time <- predict_time(dat)
##plot the predictions
#PlotPred(time)</pre>
```

Pred-class

Pred

# Description

keeps track of parameters and results from predict\_time

#### **Slots**

```
pred_age data.frame of results from predict_time
model randomForest model
minage minimum age filter from predict_time
maxage maximum age filter from predict_time
tissue tissue filter from predict_time
```

# **Examples**

```
prep <- methods::new(Class="Pred",
pred_age = data.frame(matrix(0,nrow=10,ncol=10)),
model = list(c(rep("A",5), rep("B",5))),
minage = 8,
maxage = 2120,
tissue = "HIP"
)</pre>
```

predict\_time

Predict developmental time from gene expression data

# Description

Predict human developmental time from expression dataset

# Usage

```
predict_time(dat = NULL, genelist = NULL, minage = 8, maxage = 2120,
    tissue = NULL, minrsq = 0.6)
```

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#### **Arguments**

dat	Normalized expression matrix
genelist	Optional: restrict analysis to gene list
minage	min pcw of the reference set. default = 8
maxage	max pcw of the reference set. default = 2120
tissue	Optional: restrict analysis to tissue (available)
minrsq	(range $0-1$ ) model leniency. default = $0.5$ .

# Value

spatiotemporal predictions.

# **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##Load in the data
data(dat)
##predict time
#time <- predict_time(dat)</pre>
```

PValue.onetail

Calculate p-value from bootstrapped sample

# Description

The distribution of microdissected tissues supporting each larger brain region is not equal across all regions. We therefore provide an option to bootstrap gene set enrichment. This function calculates the signficance of that enrichment.

PValue.onetail Calculates the p-value from a bootstrapped sample

# Usage

```
PValue.onetail(regions, tissueExp1, random.matrix)
```

# **Arguments**

regions character regions to search

tissueExp1 numeric vector presence of genes in query random.matrix numeric presence of genes at random

# Value

p-value of the significance of tissueExp1 given the random.matrix

## **Examples**

```
##Internal to brainImageR, called within testEnrich
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment.
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#tissueExp1 <- composite@tissueExp1
#random.matrix <- composite@random.matrix
#boot <- PValue.onetail(regions = names(tissueExp1),
#tissueExp1,
#random.matrix)</pre>
```

RandomTissueSummary

Generate a random overlap

# **Description**

random overlap for background correction and bootstrapping

# Usage

```
RandomTissueSummary(i, genes, samplesize, refset = c("developing", "adult"))
```

# **Arguments**

i current iteration

genes all genes to sample from

sample size to select from gene list

refset reference map. developing (default) or adult

# Value

returns a list of the random gene overlap for each tissue

```
##Internal to brainImageR, called within SpatialEnrichment
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First load in a gene set
data(vth)
#tissueExp <- RandomTissueSummary(1, vth, 20)</pre>
```

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reColor	Color in the brain images based on enrichment values
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#### **Description**

reColor quantifies the presence of a gene list within each tissue

# Usage

# **Arguments**

i	tissue region from within the specified rostral-caudal section
slice	current slice
tissueExp	tissueExp1 from SpatialEnrichment.
dim	Original dimensions of the image
Abrev	list of tissue regions
Files	list of tiff images
refset	reference map. developing (default) or adult

### Value

returns genes counts for each tissue

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First load a gene set
data(vth)
##calculate spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth,20,"developing")</pre>
#boot <- Boot(composite)</pre>
#subboot <- c(boot[boot$pvalue < 0.05 & is.finite(boot$FC), "FC"])</pre>
#names(subboot) <- rownames(boot[boot$pvalue < 0.05 & is.finite(boot$FC), ])</pre>
#tissueExp <- subboot</pre>
##Select the slice of interest
#slice <- 4
#Files <- .cache[["EH1434"]][[slice]]</pre>
#dim <- .cache[["EH1436"]][[slice]]</pre>
##Select the region of interest
#Abrev <- .cache[["EH1438"]][[4]]
#abrev <- "VZ"
#tmp <- reColor(abrev, slice, tissueExp, dim, Abrev, Files)</pre>
```

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SpatialEnrichment Calculate the presence of your gene set within each brain region

# **Description**

Calculates the presence of gene set within each region

# Usage

```
SpatialEnrichment(genes, background = NULL, reps = 10,
    refset = c("developing", "adult"))
```

# **Arguments**

genes query gene set

background background gene list, default = NULL (uses all ABA genes)

reps replicates for bootstrap, default = 10

refset reference brain map. developing (default) or adult

#### Value

"Comp" object

# **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First load in a gene set
data(vth)
##Then calculate the spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, 20, "developing")</pre>
```

testEnrich

Calculate significance of gene set enrichment

# **Description**

testEnrich test the enrichment of the observed enrichment

# Usage

```
testEnrich(composite, method = c("fisher", "bootstrap"))
```

# Arguments

 $composite \qquad \quad Comp\ object\ returned\ from\ Spatial Enrichment.$ 

method character either "bootstrap" or "fisher"

#### Value

spatiotemporal prediction

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# **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##First put together a gene list, or load in the default vth dataset
data(vth)
##Calculate the spatial enrichment.
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
##Calculate the significance estimates
#boot <- testEnrich(composite)
#boot <- boot[order(boot$FC, decreasing=TRUE),]
#head(boot)</pre>
```

TissueSummary

Internal-Identify the number of genes expressed in each tissue

# Description

. Quantifies the presence of gene list within each tissue

# Usage

```
TissueSummary(genes, refset = c("developing", "adult"))
```

# Arguments

genes Genes to query for tissue location

refset reference map. developing (default) or adult

#### Value

returns genes counts for each tissue

```
#Internal to brainImageR, used within SpatialEnrichment
#First load in a gene set
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
data(vth)
#tissueExp <- TissueSummary(vth, refset = "developing")</pre>
```

tis\_in\_region

List of regions that are supported by given tissue

## **Description**

Brain areas supported by tissue of interest. Opposite=tis\_set()

# Usage

```
tis_in_region(composite, tissue_abrev)
```

# **Arguments**

composite object returned from SpatialEnrichment or CreateBrain tissue\_abrev abreviation of the microdissected tissue of interest.

## Value

general brain areas

# **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##Load in a gene set
data(vth)
##calculate spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#tis_in_region(composite, "LHAa")</pre>
```

tis\_set

List of tissues that support a given region in the brain plot

# Description

Tissues that support brain area. Opposite=tis\_in\_region()'

# Usage

```
tis_set(composite, area.name, slice)
```

# **Arguments**

composite object returned from SpatialEnrichment or CreateBrain

area.name abreviation of the brain area of interest. slice section of the brain to query (1-10)

#### Value

all areas supported by the tissue

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#### **Examples**

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
##Load in a gene set
data(vth)
##calculate spatial enrichment
#composite <- SpatialEnrichment(vth, reps = 20, refset = "developing")
#get the set of tissues that are present within a given region
#tis_set(composite, area.name = "Pu", slice = 6)</pre>
```

vth

VTH genes identified from Allen Brain Atlas developing human

# Description

Ventral thalamus genes were identified using the differential search tool on the Allen Brain Atlas brain span (prenatal brain). The ventral thalamus was contrasted to neighboring regions to identify a gene list that was enriched within the vth.

#### Usage

vth

#### **Format**

A vector with 1389 gene names

whichtissues

Identify the tissues where a set of genes are expressed

# **Description**

Identifies which tissues express genes

# Usage

```
whichtissues(g, refset = c("developing", "adult"))
```

# **Arguments**

g gene list

refset reference map. developing (default) or adult

# Value

Tissue regions

```
#brainImageR:::loadworkspace()
genes <- c("HOXB9", "HOXB10", "VIM")
#whichtissues(genes, refset = "developing")</pre>
```

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