

# Package ‘tLOH’

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**Title** Assessment of evidence for LOH in spatial transcriptomics  
pre-processed data using Bayes factor calculations

**Description** tLOH, or transcriptomicsLOH, assesses evidence for loss of heterozygosity (LOH) in pre-processed spatial transcriptomics data. This tool requires spatial transcriptomics cluster and allele count information at likely heterozygous single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) positions in VCF format. Bayes factors are calculated at each SNP to determine likelihood of potential loss of heterozygosity event. Two plotting functions are included to visualize allele fraction and aggregated Bayes factor per chromosome. Data generated with the 10X Genomics Visium Spatial Gene Expression platform must be pre-processed to obtain an individual sample VCF with columns for each cluster. Required fields are allele depth (AD) with counts for reference/alternative alleles and read depth (DP).

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**URL** <https://github.com/USCDTG/tLOH>

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**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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| aggregateCHRPlot | <i>Visualization of data output from the tLOHCalc function, aggregated per chromosome</i> |
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## Description

Output is a plot of the sum of  $\text{Log}_{10}(1/K)$  values ( $K$  is a Bayes factor) per chromosome for each cluster. The dotted line at  $y=3$  represents threshold for substantial evidence toward Model 2

## Arguments

|        |                                                                |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| df     | An input dataframe with merged cluster data output by tLOHCalc |
| sample | Name of sample for plot title                                  |

## Value

Output is a plot where the y axis is sum of  $\text{Log}_{10}(1/K)$  values ( $K$  is a Bayes factor) per chromosome and the x axis is chromosome

## Author(s)

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
data('humanGBMsampleAC')
df <- tLOHCalc(humanGBMsampleAC)
aggregateCHRPlot(df, "Example")
```

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| alleleFrequencyPlot | <i>Visualization of data output from the tLOHCalc function</i> |
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**Description**

Creates a plot with panels for each cluster. The x-axis is chromosome, y-axis is allele frequency. Point color is  $\text{Log}_{10}(1/K)$  where K is a Bayes factor

**Arguments**

|        |                                             |
|--------|---------------------------------------------|
| df     | An input dataframe with merged cluster data |
| sample | Name of sample for plot title               |

**Value**

Output is a plot of allele frequency for each cluster. Can be assigned to object and visualized individually. For each panel, the y axis has a min of 0 and max of 1

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
data('humanGBMsampleAC')
df <- tLOHCalc(humanGBMsampleAC)
alleleFrequencyPlot(df, "Example")
```

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| humanGBMsampleAC | <i>Imported dataset of a human glioblastoma spatial transcriptomics sample processed with tLOHImportData.</i> |
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**Description**

A dataset of a human glioblastoma sample containing the allele count (AC) information for 9 spatial transcriptomics clusters

**Usage**

```
data("humanGBMsampleAC")
```

**Format**

A data frame with 34601 rows and 7 variables:

**rsID** dbSNP rs identifier  
**CLUSTER** cluster number  
**TOTAL** total number of counts  
**REF** counts for the reference allele  
**ALT** counts for the alternative allele  
**CHR** chromosome number  
**POS** genomic position

**Source**

Craig Lab data repository

**Examples**

```
data("humanGBMsampleAC")
```

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| marginalM1Calc | <i>Calculate marginal of Model 1</i> |
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**Description**

This function takes the number of counts for a reference allele as x, and the number of total allele counts as y.

**Arguments**

|   |                                              |
|---|----------------------------------------------|
| x | Number of counts for the reference allele.   |
| y | Number of counts total at this SNP position. |

**Details**

The reference and total counts should come from a .csv output by the spatial LOH pre-processing pipeline.

**Value**

The value returned from marginalM1Calc is numeric

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
marginalM1Calc(10, 0.5)
```

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| marginalM2CalcBHET | <i>Calculation of marginal M2 het</i> |
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**Description**

Calculation of marginal M2 het

**Usage**

```
marginalM2CalcBHET(x, a, b)
```

**Arguments**

|   |                                           |
|---|-------------------------------------------|
| x | Number of counts for the reference allele |
| a | Alpha value                               |
| b | Beta value                                |

**Value**

The value returned from marginalM2CalcBHET is numeric

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
save <- data.frame(REF=c(10,2,3,4,5,10),TOTAL=c(20,20,20,20,20,20))
apply(save, MARGIN = 1, FUN = marginalM2CalcBHET, a = 10,b = 10)
```

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| marginalM2CalcBLOH | <i>Marginal M2 Calculation</i> |
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**Description**

Calculation of the marginal for Model 2

**Usage**

```
marginalM2CalcBLOH(x, a, b)
```

**Arguments**

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| x | Counts for the reference allele |
| a | Alpha value                     |
| b | Beta value                      |

**Value**

The value returned from marginalM2CalcBLOH is numeric

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
test <- data.frame(REF=c(10,2,3,4,5,10),TOTAL=c(20,20,20,20,20,20))
apply(test, MARGIN = 1, FUN = marginalM2CalcBLOH, a = 10,b = 10)
```

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removeOutlierFromCalc *Removes outliers*

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**Description**

Take rows with a total count greater than 2000 and sets to NA

**Arguments**

|           |                 |
|-----------|-----------------|
| dataframe | input dataframe |
| cols      | which column    |
| rows      | which row       |
| newValue  | what to replace |

**Value**

Dataframe returned

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
test <- data.frame(TOTAL=c(2000,20,20,20,20,20))
removeOutlierFromCalc(test,"TOTAL",test[test$TOTAL > 2000,],NA)
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| tLOHCalc | <i>Assesment of evidence for LOH in clusters from spatial transcriptomics data</i> |
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**Description**

Calculates Bayes factors for allele fractions at each SNP position. Uses dataframe output by tLOHDataImport

**Usage**

```
tLOHCalc(forCalcDF)
```

**Arguments**

forCalcDF      Input dataframe generated from the tLOHDataImport function

**Value**

Output is a dataframe with values that can be visualized with alleleFrequencyPlot() or aggregateCHRPlot()

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
data('humanGBMsampleAC')
df <- tLOHCalc(humanGBMsampleAC)
head(df)
```

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| tLOHDataImport | <i>Import VCF for tLOHCalc</i> |
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**Description**

Import a VCF with per-cluster allele count information at heterozygous SNP positions for the tLOHCalc calculation function.

**Arguments**

vcf      An input VCF file. Spatial transcriptomics clusters make up the sample columns. AD and DP fields are required. Each SNP should be annotated with dbSNP rsIDs.

**Value**

Output is a dataframe with required fields for tLOHCalc

**Author(s)**

Michelle Webb

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
R.utils::gunzip("inst/extdata/Example.vcf.gz", "inst/extdata/Example.vcf")  
exampleDF <- tLOHDataImport("inst/extdata/Example.vcf")  
## End(Not run)
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