## MAQCsubsetILM: MAQC reference subset for the Illumina platform

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## 1 The MAQC reference datasets

The MAQC (MicroArray Quality Control) project<sup>1</sup> provides a set of reference datasets for a set of 10 platforms (see *Summary of the MAQC Data Sets*<sup>2</sup> for more details). This package provides a subset of the Illumina MAQC dataset<sup>3</sup>.

Regarding the Illumina platform (ILM prefix), a total of 59 Human-6 BeadChip 48K v1.0 have been generated. Four different reference RNAs have been used: (A) 100% of Stratagene's *Universal Human Reference RNA*, (B) 100% of Ambion's Human Brain Reference RNA, (C) 75% of A and 25% of B and (D) 25% of A and 75% of B. Each reference has been repeated 5<sup>4</sup> times (noted \_A1\_ to \_A5\_)<sup>5</sup> on three different test sites (noted \_1\_ to \_3\_). As an example, the .CEL result file for the first replicate of test site 2, for the reference ARN C is named ILM\_2\_C1.CEL.

<sup>1</sup>http://www.fda.gov/nctr/science/centers/toxicoinformatics/mage

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://edkb.fda.gov/MAQC/MainStudy/upload/Summary\_MAQC\_DataSets.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Packages for the datasets of other platforms will follow and will all be named MAQCsubsetXXX where XXX is the three-letter code used by the MAQC consortium.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>except for site 1,reference C, where 4 replicates are available

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>the replicates for site 2, reference D are labelled \_D1\_, \_D2\_, \_D4\_, \_D6\_ and \_D7\_

These datasets are freely available and allow, for example, researchers to compare the reproducibility of their own Human-6 BeadChip 48K v1.0 data with the MAQC data. MAQCsubsetILM offers 3 randomly chosen BeadChips for each reference RNA, one for each test site. Each reference RNA subset is accessible as an R data object, respectively called refA, refB, refC and refD.

More information concerning the MAQC initiative can be found in the September 2006 special issue of *Nature Biotechnology*.

## 2 Loading the reference data

> library("MAQCsubsetILM")

Once the library has been installed and loaded, the reference datasets can be loaded using the (data()) function as shown below.

```
> data(refA)
> refA
Summary of data information:
Major Operation History:
            submitted
                                  finished
1 2008-02-29 12:24:41 2008-02-29 12:24:43
2 2008-02-29 12:24:43 2008-02-29 12:24:43
                                             command lumiVersion
     lumiR("ILM_1_A1.txt", parseColumnName = FALSE)
                                                           1.5.17
2 lumiQ(x.lumi = x.lumi, detectionTh = detectionTh)
                                                          1.5.17
             submitted
                                   finished
                                                                       command
72 2008-02-29 12:25:22 2008-02-29 12:25:22 combine(x = x.lumi, y = x.lumi.i)
73 2008-02-29 12:27:25 2008-02-29 12:27:25
                                                        Subsetting 3 samples.
   lumiVersion
72.
        1.5.17
        1.5.17
73
Object Information:
LumiBatch (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 47293 features, 3 samples
  element names: beadNum, detection, exprs, se.exprs
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protocolData: none

phenoData

sampleNames: ILM\_1\_A5 ILM\_2\_A1 ILM\_3\_A2
varLabels: sampleID site ref replicate

varMetadata: labelDescription

featureData

featureNames: GI\_10047089-S GI\_10047091-S ... trpF (47293 total)

fvarLabels: TargetID

fvarMetadata: labelDescription

experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'

Annotation:

Control Data: N/A

QC information: Please run summary(x, 'QC') for details!