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## **Description**

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createCaseControlData Create case-control data

# Description

Create case-control data

## Usage

```
createCaseControlData(caseControlsExposure, exposureId,
  firstExposureOnly = FALSE, riskWindowStart = 0, riskWindowEnd = 0)
```

## Arguments

caseControlsExposure

An object of type caseControlsExposure as created using the getDbExposureData function.

exposureId The identifier of the exposure.

firstExposureOnly

Should only the first exposure per subject be included?

riskWindowStart

The start of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive.

 ${\tt riskWindowEnd}$ 

The end of the risk window (in days) relative to the index date. This number should be non-positive.

## **Details**

For each case and control, assesses whether exposure takes place within the risk window. The output can be directly used in a conditional logistic regression.

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#### Value

A data frame with these columns:

personId The person ID
indexDate The index date
isCase Is the person a case or a control?
stratumId The ID linking cases and controls in a matched set
exposed Was the subject exposed during the risk window?

fitCaseControlModel

Fit the case-control model

## **Description**

Fit the case-control model

#### Usage

fitCaseControlModel(caseControlData)

#### **Arguments**

caseControlData

A data frame as generated by the createCaseControlData function.

## **Details**

Fits the model using a conditional logistic regression.

## Value

An object of type outcomeModel.

 ${\tt getDbCaseData}$ 

Load case data from the database

#### **Description**

Load all data about the cases and nesting cohort from the database.

#### Usage

```
getDbCaseData(connectionDetails, cdmDatabaseSchema,
  oracleTempSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  outcomeDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema, outcomeTable = "condition_era",
  outcomeIds = c(), useNestingCohort = FALSE,
  nestingCohortDatabaseSchema = cdmDatabaseSchema,
  nestingCohortTable = "cohort", nestingCohortId,
  useObservationEndAsNestingEndDate = TRUE, getVisits = TRUE,
  studyStartDate = "", studyEndDate = "")
```

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#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An R object of type ConnectionDetails created using the function createConnectionDetails in the DatabaseConnector package.

cdmDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that contains the OMOP CDM instance. Requires read permissions to this database. On SQL Server, this should specify both the database and the schema, so for example 'cdm\_instance.dbo'.

oracleTempSchema

A schema where temp tables can be created in Oracle.

outcomeDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the data used to define the outcome cohorts is available. If outcomeTable = CONDITION\_ERA, outcomeDatabaseSchema is not used. Requires read permissions to this database.

outcomeTable The tablename that contains the outcome cohorts. If outcomeTable is not CON-

DITION\_OCCURRENCE or CONDITION\_ERA, then expectation is outcome Table has format of COHORT table: COHORT\_DEFINITION\_ID, SUBJECT\_ID,

COHORT\_START\_DATE, COHORT\_END\_DATE.

outcomeIds A list of ids used to define outcomes. If outcomeTable = CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE,

the list is a set of ancestor CONCEPT\_IDs, and all occurrences of all descendant concepts will be selected. If outcomeTable <> CONDITION\_OCCURRENCE,

the list contains records found in COHORT\_DEFINITION\_ID field.

useNestingCohort

Should the study be nested in a cohort (e.g. people with a specific indication)? If not, the study will be nested in the general population.

nestingCohortDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the nesting cohort is defined.

nestingCohortTable

Name of the table holding the nesting cohort. This table should have the same structure as the cohort table.

nestingCohortId

A cohort definition ID identifying the records in the nestingCohortTable to use as nesting cohort

use Observation End As Nesting End Date

When using a nesting cohort, should the observation period end date be used

instead of the cohort end date?

getVisits Get data on visits? This is needed when matching on visit date is requested later

on.

studyStartDate A calendar date specifying the minimum date where data is used. Date format

is 'yyyymmdd'.

studyEndDate A calendar date specifying the maximum date where data is used. Date format

is 'yyyymmdd'.

#### Value

Returns an object of type caseData, containing information on the cases, the nesting cohort, and optionally visits. Information about multiple outcomes can be captured at once for efficiency reasons. The generic summary() function has been implemented for this object.

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## **Description**

Get exposure data for cases and controls from a database

#### **Usage**

```
getDbExposureData(connectionDetails, caseControls, oracleTempSchema = NULL,
  exposureDatabaseSchema, exposureTable = "drug_era", exposureIds = c())
```

#### **Arguments**

connectionDetails

An R object of type

connectionDetails created using the function createConnectionDetails in the DatabaseConnector package.

caseControls

A data frame as generated by the selectControls function.

oracleTempSchema

A schema where temp tables can be created in Oracle.

exposureDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema that is the location where the exposure data used to define the exposure cohorts is available. If exposureTable = DRUG\_ERA, exposureDatabaseSchema is not used but assumed to be cdmSchema. Requires read permissions to this database.

exposureTable

The tablename that contains the exposure cohorts. If exposure Table <> drug\_era, then expectation is exposure Table has format of COHORT table: cohort\_definition\_id, subject\_id, cohort\_start\_date, cohort\_end\_date.

exposureIds

A list of identifiers to define the exposures of interest. If exposureTable = drug\_era, exposureIds should be concept\_id. If exposureTable <> drug\_era, exposureIds is used to select the cohort\_definition\_id in the cohort-like table. If no exposureIds are provided, all drugs or cohorts in the exposureTable are included as exposures.

insertDbPopulation

Insert cases and controls into a database

#### **Description**

Insert cases and controls into a database

#### Usage

```
insertDbPopulation(caseControls, cohortIds = c(1, 0), connectionDetails,
  cohortDatabaseSchema, cohortTable = "cohort", createTable = FALSE,
  dropTableIfExists = TRUE)
```

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## **Arguments**

caseControls A data frame as generated by the selectControls function.

cohortIds The IDs to be used for the cohorts of cases and controls, respectively.

connectionDetails

An R object of type

connectionDetails created using the function createConnectionDetails in

the DatabaseConnector package.

cohortDatabaseSchema

The name of the database schema where the data will be written. Requires write permissions to this database. On SQL Server, this should specify both the

database and the schema, so for example 'cdm\_instance.dbo'.

cohortTable The name of the table in the database schema where the data will be written.

createTable Should a new table be created? If not, the data will be inserted into an existing

table.

dropTableIfExists

If createTable = TRUE and the table already exists it will be overwritten.

#### **Details**

Inserts cases and controls into a database. The table in the database will have the same structure as the 'cohort' table in the Common Data Model.

loadCaseData

Load the case data from a folder

# Description

loadCaseData loads an object of type caseData from a folder in the file system.

## Usage

```
loadCaseData(folder, readOnly = TRUE)
```

#### Arguments

folder The name of the folder containing the data.

readOnly If true, the data is opened read only.

## **Details**

The data will be written to a set of files in the folder specified by the user.

#### Value

An object of class caseData.

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## **Description**

saveCaseData saves an object of type caseData to folder.

## Usage

```
saveCaseData(caseData, folder)
```

## **Arguments**

caseData An object of type caseData as generated using getDbCaseData.

folder The name of the folder where the data will be written. The folder should not yet

exist.

## **Details**

The data will be written to a set of files in the specified folder.

selectControls	Select matched controls per case	
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## **Description**

Select matched controls per case

## Usage

```
selectControls(caseData, outcomeId, firstOutcomeOnly = TRUE,
  washoutPeriod = 180, controlsPerCase = 2, matchOnAge = TRUE,
  ageCaliper = 2, matchOnGender = TRUE, matchOnProvider = FALSE,
  matchOnVisitDate = FALSE, visitDateCaliper = 30)
```

#### **Arguments**

caseData An object of type caseData as generated using the getDbCaseData function.

outcomeId The outcome ID of the cases for which we need to pick controls.

firstOutcomeOnly

Use the first outcome per person?

washoutPeriod Minimum required numbers of days of observation for inclusion as either case

or control.

controlsPerCase

Maximum number of controls to select per case.

matchOnAge Match on age?

ageCaliper Maximum difference (in years) in age when matching on age.

matchOnGender Match on gender?

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matchOnProvider

Match on provider (as specified in the person table)?

matchOnVisitDate

Should the index date of the control be changed to the nearest visit date?

visitDateCaliper

Maximum difference (in days) between the index date and the visit date when matching on visit date.

#### **Details**

Select controls per case. Controls are matched on calendar time and the criteria defined in the arguments. Controls are randomly sampled to the required number.

#### Value

A data frame with these columns:

personId The person ID
indexDate The index date

**isCase** Is the person a case or a control?

stratumId The ID linking cases and controls in a matched set

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