

# Package ‘cosmicsig’

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**Title** Mutational Signatures from COSMIC (Catalogue of Somatic Mutations in Cancer)

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**Description** Mutational signatures from COSMIC

(the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer)

<<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>>.

The name cosmicsig stands for COSMIC signatures.

This is a data package with 2 main package variables:

signature and etiology. The signature variable contains the

latest mutational signature profiles released on

COSMIC for three mutation types:

\* SBS (single base substitutions in the context  
of preceding and following bases, called SBS96  
in this package)

\* Strand bias SBS: SBSs from transcribed  
regions (exons and introns), that take into  
into consideration the transcriptional strand.

\* DBS (doublet base substitutions, called DBS78 in  
this package)

\* ID (small insertions and deletions)

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## Description

For a general introduction to mutational signatures and the techniques used to discover them, see Alexandrov et al., 2020 doi: [10.1038/s4158602019433](https://doi.org/10.1038/s4158602019433).

## Details

This is a data package with 2 main package variables: `signature` and `etiology`.

The `signature` variable contains the latest mutational signature profiles released on <https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/> for three mutation types:

- SBS (single base substitutions in the context of preceding and following bases, called SBS96 in this package)
- Strand bias SBS: SBSs from transcribed regions (exons and introns), that take into into consideration the transcriptional strand.
- DBS (doublet base substitutions, called DBS78 in this package)
- ID (small insertions and deletions)

Earlier releases are available in the variables `COSMIC_version`, e.g. `COSMIC_v3.2`.

There are also two functions for handling COSMIC signatures:

The function `get_etiology` returns the known or hypothesized etiologies of signatures.

The profiles of SBSs signatures depend on the frequencies of trinucleotides in a genome and profiles of DBS signatures depend on the frequencies of dinucleotides in a genome. Therefore COSMIC and this package provide slightly different signatures for different reference genomes. COSMIC and this package offer versions of SBS and DBS signatures for human GRCh37 (also known as hg19) and GRCh38, and for mouse and rat. However strand bias SBS signatures are only available for GRCh37. There are also some minor differences in identifiers for stranded SBSs, and helper function to deal with these. See `SBS96_ID_to_SBS192_ID`.

Some signatures are due to experimental or laboratory artifacts. Function `possible_artifacts` returns these.

**Source**

<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>.

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COSMIC_v3.0	<i>Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.0 - May 2019)</i>
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**Description**

Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.0 - May 2019)

**Usage**

COSMIC\_v3.0

**Format**

A list with one element signature.

- signature is a list with the elements:
  - GRCh37: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh37.
  - GRCh38: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh38.
  - mm9: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm9.
  - mm10: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm10.
  - rn6: Rattus norvegicus (Norway rat) genome assembly rn6.

Each element contains the sub elements:

- SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
- DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.

Element GRCh37 contains the additional sub elements:

- ID: Strand-agnostic indels.

**Remark**

The signatures are all genome signatures. See examples below for transforming genome signatures to exome signatures.

See [CatalogRowOrder](#) in package ICAMS for the classification of mutation types.

**Source**

<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# As the abundances of the source sequence of the mutations vary between genome
# and exome, users can use package ICAMS to do the transformations.
if (!requireNamespace("ICAMS", quietly = TRUE)) {
  install.packages("ICAMS")
}
library(ICAMS)
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome <- COSMIC_v3.0$signature$GRCh37$SBS96

# Transform SBS96 GRCh37 genome signatures to GRCh37 exome signatures
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_exome <- TransformCatalog(
  catalog = SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome,
  target.ref.genome = "GRCh37",
  target.region = "exome"
)

## End(Not run)
```

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COSMIC\_v3.1

*Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.1 - June 2020)*

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## Description

Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.1 - June 2020)

## Usage

COSMIC\_v3.1

## Format

A list with one element signature.

- signature is a list with the elements:
  - GRCh37: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh37.
  - GRCh38: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh38.
  - mm9: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm9.
  - mm10: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm10.
  - rn6: Rattus norvegicus (Norway rat) genome assembly rn6.

Each element contains the sub elements:

- SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
- DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.

Element GRCh37 contains the additional sub elements:

- SBS192: Transcriptionally stranded single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
- ID: Strand-agnostic indels.

**Remark**

The signatures are all genome signatures. See examples below for transforming genome signatures to exome signatures.

See [CatalogRowOrder](#) in package ICAMS for the classification of mutation types.

**Source**

<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# As the abundances of the source sequence of the mutations vary between genome
# and exome, users can use package ICAMS to do the transformations.
if (!requireNamespace("ICAMS", quietly = TRUE)) {
  install.packages("ICAMS")
}
library(ICAMS)
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome <- COSMIC_v3.1$signature$GRCh37$SBS96

# Transform SBS96 GRCh37 genome signatures to GRCh37 exome signatures
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_exome <- TransformCatalog(
  catalog = SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome,
  target.ref.genome = "GRCh37",
  target.region = "exome"
)

## End(Not run)
```

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COSMIC\_v3.2

*Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.2 - March 2021)*

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**Description**

Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer, (v3.2 - March 2021)

**Usage**

COSMIC\_v3.2

**Format**

A list with two elements, signature and etiology.

- signature is a list with the elements:
  - GRCh37: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh37.
  - GRCh38: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh38.
  - mm9: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm9.
  - mm10: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm10.
  - rn6: Rattus norvegicus (Norway rat) genome assembly rn6.

Each element contains the sub elements:

- SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
- DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.

Element GRCh37 contains the additional sub elements:

- SBS192: Transcriptionally stranded single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
- ID: Strand-agnostic indels.

- etiology is a list with elements:

- SBS96
- SBS192
- DBS78
- ID

Each element in etiology is a single column matrix with rownames being the signature IDs and values being a short character string description of the proposed etiology.

In general use `get_etiology`, which handles new signatures without elements in etiology.

### Note

SBS10c, SBS10d, SBS91, SBS92, SBS93, SBS94 (total 6) new SBS signatures were added in COSMIC v3.2. See the news from COSMIC release for more details <https://cosmic-blog.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic-mutational-signatures-release-v3-2/>

### Remark

The signatures are all genome signatures. See examples below for transforming genome signatures to exome signatures.

See [CatalogRowOrder](#) in package ICAMS for the classification of mutation types.

### Source

<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# As the abundances of the source sequence of the mutations vary between genome
# and exome, users can use package ICAMS to do the transformations.
if (!requireNamespace("ICAMS", quietly = TRUE)) {
  install.packages("ICAMS")
}
library(ICAMS)
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome <- COSMIC_v3.2$signature$GRCh37$SBS96

# Transform SBS96 GRCh37 genome signatures to GRCh37 exome signatures
SBS96_sig_GRCh37_exome <- TransformCatalog(
  catalog = SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome,
  target.ref.genome = "GRCh37",
  target.region = "exome"
)

## End(Not run)
```

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etiology	<i>List of mutational signature's proposed etiology summarized from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer (v3.2 - March 2021)</i>
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**Description**

List of mutational signature's proposed etiology summarized from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer (v3.2 - March 2021)

**Usage**

```
etiology
```

**Format**

A list with the elements:

- SBS96
- SBS192
- DBS78
- ID

Each list element is a single column matrix with rownames being the signature IDs and values being a short character string description of the proposed etiology.

In general use `get_etiology`, which handles new signatures do not have an element in etiology.

**Source**

<https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/signatures/>.

**Examples**

```
SBS96_etiology <- etiology$SBS96
```

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get_etiology	<i>Get the proposed etiology of COSMIC signature</i>
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**Description**

The level of evidence supporting the proposed etiologies varies. In addition, some proposed etiologies are more akin to associations than specific, mechanistic causes.

**Usage**

```
get_etiology(mutation_type, sig_id)
```

**Arguments**

mutation\_type    Character string, one of "SBS96", "SBS192", "DBS78", "ID".  
 sig\_id            Character vector with signature ids, e.g. c("SBS3", "SBS5").

**Value**

A character vector of the same length as sig\_id, each element of which is the etiology of the corresponding signature, if known, or else the empty string.

**Note**

The etiologies information is not versionized in COSMIC website compared to signatures.

**Examples**

```
get_etiology(mutation_type = "ID", sig_id = c("ID1", "foo", "ID3"))
```

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possible_artifacts	<i>Return a character vector of the IDs of possible SBS96 signature artifacts</i>
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**Description**

Return a character vector of the IDs of possible SBS96 signature artifacts

**Usage**

```
possible_artifacts()
```

**Examples**

```
artifact_sigs <- possible_artifacts()
```

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rare_signatures	<i>Return a character vector of the IDs of rare SBS96 signatures</i>
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**Description**

Return a character vector of the IDs of rare SBS96 signatures

**Usage**

```
rare_signatures()
```

**Examples**

```
rare_sigs <- rare_signatures()
```



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SBS96\_ID\_to\_SBS192\_ID *Translate SBS96 signature IDs to SBS192 signature IDs by adding "-E" if necessary*

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### Description

"-E" added to the name of a transcriptional strand bias signature indicates that it was extracted only from exome sequencing data, and thus reflects transcriptional strand bias in the exome rather than in the entire transcript, including introns.

### Usage

```
SBS96_ID_to_SBS192_ID(sig_ids)
```

### Arguments

sig\_ids                      Character vector of SBS96 signature IDs.

### Value

Character vector of corresponding SBS192 signature IDs; some have "-E" (for exome) post-pended.

### Examples

```
SBS96_ids <- c("SBS1", "SBS23", "SBS25")
SBS192_ids <- SBS96_ID_to_SBS192_ID(SBS96_ids)
```

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signature	<i>Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer (v3.2 - March 2021)</i>
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### Description

Mutational signatures data from COSMIC, the Catalogue Of Somatic Mutations In Cancer (v3.2 - March 2021)

### Usage

```
signature
```

### Format

A list with the following elements:

- GRCh37: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh37.
  - SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
  - SBS192: Transcriptionally stranded single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
  - DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.
  - ID: Strand-agnostic indels.

- GRCh38: Homo sapiens (human) genome assembly GRCh38.
  - SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
  - DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.
- mm9: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm9.
  - SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
  - DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.
- mm10: Mus musculus (house mouse) genome assembly mm10.
  - SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
  - DBS78: Strand-agnostic doublet-base substitutions.
- rn6: Rattus norvegicus (Norway rat) genome assembly rn6.
  - SBS96: Strand-agnostic single-base substitutions in trinucleotide context.
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  catalog = SBS96_sig_GRCh37_genome,
  target.ref.genome = "GRCh37",
  target.region = "exome"
)

## End(Not run)
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