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batch_correct	<i>Batch correction</i>
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Description

Batch correction

Usage

```
batch_correct(  
  output_name,  
  input_name,  
  method,  
  order_col,  
  batch_col,  
  qc_col,  
  qc_label  
)
```

Arguments

output_name	The name of the output target.
input_name	The name of the input data.
method	The batch correction method to use: ComBat, QCRSC.
order_col	The order column.
batch_col	The batch column.
qc_col	The QC column.
qc_label	The QC label.

**Value**

A target to perform batch correction.

**See Also**

[warper\\_batch\\_correction\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
batch_correct(BatchCorrected_experiment, input_experiment, method = "QCRSC" order_col = "Order", batch_col = "
```

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batch_plot	<i>Generate a batch plot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a batch plot showing the relationship between a feature and run order, stratified by batches and quality control (QC) samples.

**Usage**

```
batch_plot(
  dataset_experiment,
  order_col,
  batch_col,
  qc_col,
  qc_label,
  colour_by_col,
  feature_to_plot,
  ylab = "Peak area",
  title = "Feature vs run_order"
)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the batch plot will be generated.
order_col	The column representing run order.
batch_col	The column representing batches.
qc_col	The column representing QC samples.
qc_label	The label for QC samples.
colour_by_col	The column used for coloring in the plot.
feature_to_plot	The feature to be plotted.
ylab	The label for the y-axis.
title	The title of the plot.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the batch plot.

Examples

```
batch_plot(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, order_col = "order", batch_col = "batch", qc_col = "qc", qc_label =
```

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ba_plot	<i>Generate a before-after plot</i>
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Description

This function generates a before-after plot comparing distributions before and after a certain process or treatment.

Usage

```
ba_plot(DE_before, DE_after, factor_name = "sample_type")
```

Arguments

- DE\_before      The dataset before the process or treatment.
- DE\_after       The dataset after the process or treatment.
- factor\_name    The name of the factor variable for stratification.

Value

A ggplot object displaying the before-after plot.

Examples

```
ba_plot(DE_before = before_data, DE_after = after_data, factor_name = "sample_type")
```

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combat_correction	<i>Correct Batch Effects in Metabolomics Data Using ComBat</i>
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Description

This function applies the ComBat method to correct for batch effects in a metabolomics dataset.

Usage

```
combat_correction(dataset_exp, batch_col)
```

Arguments

- dataset\_exp    A list containing two elements:
  - data**    A data frame or matrix of metabolite intensities with samples as rows and metabolites as columns.
  - sample\_meta**    A data frame containing sample metadata, with rows corresponding to samples and a column for batch information.
- batch\_col      A string specifying the column name in sample\_meta that contains the batch information.

**Value**

A matrix of corrected metabolite intensities with batch effects removed.

**Examples**

```
# Example usage:
DE <- metaboPipe::MTBLS79
corrected_data <- combat_correction(DE, "Batch")
```

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create_experiment	<i>Create DatasetExperiment object</i>
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**Description**

Create DatasetExperiment object

**Usage**

```
create_experiment(
  output_name,
  data,
  experiment_name = "Name",
  experiment_description = "Description"
)
```

**Arguments**

output_name	The name of the output target.
data	The target name of the data with the data as data frames.
experiment_name	The name of the experiment (default is "Name").
experiment_description	The description of the experiment (default is "Description").

**Value**

A target to create a DatasetExperiment object.

**See Also**

[warper\\_createExperiment\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
create_experiment(experiment, data, experiment_name = "Metabolomic Assay for nutrition", experiment_descripti
```

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create_pipeline	Create Pipeline Function
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**Description**

This function generates the code for a targets pipeline in an `_targets.R` file and saves it to the working directory.

**Usage**

```
create_pipeline()
```

**Value**

Nothing is returned. The function creates an `_targets.R` file in the specified directory.

**Examples**

```
create_pipeline()
```

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data.extract	Function to extract data matrix from a DatasetExperiment object
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**Description**

This function extracts the data matrix from a SummarizedExperiment object.

**Usage**

```
data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

**Arguments**

`dataset_exp` A DatasetExperiment object.

**Value**

Data matrix.

**Examples**

```
data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

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<code>data.modify</code>	<i>Function to modify data matrix of a DatasetExperiment object</i>
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**Description**

This function replaces the data matrix in a SummarizedExperiment object with new data.

**Usage**

```
data.modify(dataset_exp, data)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dataset_exp</code>	A DatasetExperiment object.
<code>data</code>	New data matrix.

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with modified data matrix.

**Examples**

```
data.modify(dataset_exp, data)
```

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<code>distribution_boxplot</code>	<i>Generate a distribution boxplot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a distribution boxplot for a specified factor in the dataset.

**Usage**

```
distribution_boxplot(dataset_experiment, factor_name, per_class = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dataset_experiment</code>	The dataset for which the boxplot will be generated.
<code>factor_name</code>	The name of the factor variable.
<code>per_class</code>	Logical indicating whether to generate separate boxplots for each class of the factor.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the distribution boxplot.

**Examples**

```
distribution_boxplot(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, factor_name = "factor", per_class = TRUE)
```



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export_data	<i>Export Data</i>
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**Description**

Exports a dataset to a specified directory with a given name.

**Usage**

```
export_data(dataset_exp, out_dir, out_name)
```

```
export_data(dataset_exp, out_dir, out_name)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object
out_dir	The output directory
out_name	The output name of the files
output_name	The name of the exported dataset.
input_name	The name of the input dataset to be exported.

**Value**

A list containing the target for exporting the dataset.  
Nothing

**Examples**

```
export_data("exported_dataset.csv", my_dataset, "output_directory/")  
export_data(dataset_exp, out_dir, out_name)
```

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extract_names	<i>Function to extract names</i>
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**Description**

Function to extract names

**Usage**

```
extract_names(data)
```

**Arguments**

data

**Value**

The variableMetadata dataset for the DatasetExperiment object

**Examples**

```
extract_names(data)
```

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factorize_cols	<i>Factorize columns in sample metadata</i>
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**Description**

Factorize columns in sample metadata

**Usage**

```
factorize_cols(output_name, input_name, cols)
```

**Arguments**

output_name	The name of the output target.
input_name	The name of the input data.
cols	The columns to factorize.

**Value**

A target to factorize columns in sample metadata.

**See Also**

[warper\\_factor\\_sample\\_col\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
factorize_cols(factorized_experiment, input_name = experiment, cols = c("Col1", "Col2"))
```

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filter_blanks	<i>Filter Blanks</i>
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**Description**

Filter blanks from the DatasetExperiment.

**Usage**

```
filter_blanks(
  dataset_experiment,
  fold_change = 20,
  blank_label = "blank",
  qc_label = "QC",
  factor_name = "sample_type",
  fraction_in_blank = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The DatasetExperiment object.
fold_change	The fold change threshold for blank filtering.
blank_label	The label for blanks.
qc_label	The label for quality control samples.
factor_name	The factor column name.
fraction_in_blank	The fraction of values in blank (default is 0).

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with blanks filtered out.

**Examples**

```
DE <- metaboPipe::ST000284
filtered_data <- filter_blanks(DE, fold_change = 20, blank_label = "blank", qc_label = "QC", factor_name = "sam
```

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filter_MV	<i>Filter Missing values</i>
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**Description**

Filter the missing values in a DatasetExperiment.

**Usage**

```
filter_MV(dataset_exp, threshold = 0.2)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	The DatasetExperiment object to filter missing values from.
threshold	The threshold for filtering missing values (default is 0.2).

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with missing values filtered out.

**Examples**

```
DE <- metaboPipe::ST000284
filtered_data <- filter_MV(DE, threshold = 0.2)
```

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filter_outliers	<i>Filter Outliers</i>
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### Description

Filter outliers from the DatasetExperiment using a Hotelling's T2 distribution ellipse.

### Usage

```
filter_outliers(dataset_experiment, nPCs = 5, conf.limit = c("0.95", "0.99"))
```

### Arguments

dataset_experiment	The DatasetExperiment object.
nPCs	The number of principal components for PCA.
conf.limit	The confidence limit for outlier detection. Either "0.95" or "0.99".

### Value

A DatasetExperiment object with outliers filtered out.

### Examples

```
DE <- metaboPipe::ST000284
filtered_data <- filter_outliers(DE, nPCs = 5, conf.limit = "0.95")
```

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filter_step	<i>Filter data by missing value threshold</i>
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### Description

Filter data by missing value threshold

### Usage

```
filter_step(
  output_name,
  input_name,
  threshold,
  filter_outliers = TRUE,
  conf.limit = "0.95",
  out_dir
)
```

**Arguments**

output_name	The name of the output target.
input_name	The name of the input data.
threshold	The threshold for missing values.
filter_outliers	Logical indicating whether to filter outliers (default is TRUE).
conf.limit	Confidence limit for outlier detection (default is "0.95").
out_dir	The directory to save plots (optional).

**Value**

A list of targets to filter data by missing value threshold.

**See Also**

[filter\\_MV\(\)](#), [filter\\_outliers\(\)](#), [zero\\_to\\_na\(\)](#), [missing\\_values\\_plot\(\)](#), [plot\\_outliers\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
filter_step(filtered_experiment, input_experiment, threshold = 0.2, filter_outliers = TRUE, conf.limit = "0.95")
```

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impute	<i>Impute missing values</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values

**Usage**

```
impute(output_name, input_name, method, k = 5)
```

**Arguments**

output_name	The name of the output target.
input_name	The name of the input data.
method	The imputation method to use. Options are: "mean", "median", "RF", "QRILC", "kNN", "SVD", "bpca", "ppca".
k	The parameter for some imputation methods (default: 5).

**Value**

A target to impute missing values.

**See Also**

[impute\\_warper\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
impute(imputed_experiment, input_experiment, method = "knn", k = 3)
```

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impute_bpca	<i>Impute BPCA</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using BPCA.

**Usage**

```
impute_bpca(dataset_experiment, nPCs = k, ...)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset experiment object.
nPCs	The number of principal components for BPCA.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using BPCA.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_bpca(DE, nPCs = 5)
summary(imputed)
```

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impute_kNN	<i>Impute kNN</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using kNN.

**Usage**

```
impute_kNN(dataset_experiment, k = k)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset experiment object.
k	The number of neighbors for kNN imputation.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using kNN.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_kNN(DE, k = 5)
summary(imputed)
```

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`impute_mean`*Impute Mean*

---

**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using the mean.

**Usage**

```
impute_mean(dataset_experiment)
```

**Arguments**

`dataset_experiment`

The dataset experiment object.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using the mean.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_mean(DE)
summary(imputed)
```

---

`impute_median`*Impute Median*

---

**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using the median.

**Usage**

```
impute_median(dataset_experiment)
```

**Arguments**

`dataset_experiment`

The dataset experiment object.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using the median.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_median(DE)
summary(imputed)
```

---

impute_ppca	<i>Impute PPCA</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using PPCA.

**Usage**

```
impute_ppca(dataset_experiment, nPCs = k, ...)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset experiment object.
nPCs	The number of principal components for PPCA.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using PPCA.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_ppca(DE, nPCs = 5)
summary(imputed)
```

---

impute_QRILC	<i>Impute QRILC</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using QRILC.

**Usage**

```
impute_QRILC(dataset_experiment)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset experiment object.
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**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using QRILC.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_QRILC(DE)
summary(imputed)
```



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impute_RF	<i>Impute Random Forest</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using random forest.

**Usage**

```
impute_RF(dataset_experiment)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_experiment  
The dataset experiment object.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using random forest.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_RF(DE)
summary(imputed)
```

---

impute_SVD	<i>Impute SVD</i>
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**Description**

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using SVD.

**Usage**

```
impute_SVD(dataset_experiment, nPCs = k, center = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_experiment  
The dataset experiment object.

nPCs  
The number of principal components for SVD.

**Value**

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed using SVD.

**Examples**

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_SVD(DE, nPCs = 5)
summary(imputed)
```

---

impute_warper	<i>Impute Missing Values</i>
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### Description

Impute missing values in a dataset experiment using various methods.

### Usage

```
impute_warper(dataset_experiment, method, k = 5)
```

### Arguments

dataset_experiment	The dataset experiment object.
method	The imputation method to use. Options are: "mean", "median", "RF", "QRILC", "kNN", "SVD", "bpca", "ppca".
k	The parameter for some imputation methods (default: 5).

### Value

The dataset experiment object with missing values imputed.

### Examples

```
DE <- ST000284
imputed <- impute_warper(DE, method = "mean")
summary(imputed)
```

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load_data	<i>Load data from files into data frames</i>
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### Description

Load data from files into data frames

### Usage

```
load_data(
  output_name,
  dataMatrixFile,
  sampleMetadataFile,
  variableMetadataFile = NULL,
  dataSep = ",",
  sampleSep = ",",
  variableSep = ",",
)
```

**Arguments**

output\_name      The name of the output target.

dataMatrixFile   Path to the data matrix file.

sampleMetadataFile      Path to the sample metadata file.

variableMetadataFile      Path to the variable metadata file (optional).

dataSep          The separator used in the dataMatrixfile (default is ",").

sampleSep        The separator used in the sampleMetadataFile (default is ",").

variableSep      The separator used in the variableMetadataFile (default is ",").

**Value**

A list of targets to load and read data matrix and sample metadata.

**Examples**

```
load_data(data_loaded, "Data/data.csv", "Data/metadata.csv", "Data/variable_metadata.csv", separator = ",")
```

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MetaboAnalyst\_load\_data

*Function to load the previously saved MetaboAnalystData.csv data into MetaboAnalyst from the TempData directory*

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**Description**

Function to load the previously saved MetaboAnalystData.csv data into MetaboAnalyst from the TempData directory

**Usage**

```
MetaboAnalyst_load_data()
```

**Value**

MetaboAnalyst data object (mSet).

**Examples**

```
MetaboAnalyst_load_data()
```

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metaboNorm	<i>Function to normalize MetaboAnalyst data</i>
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## Description

This function performs row-wise normalization, transformation, and scaling of the metabolomic data.

## Usage

```
metaboNorm(  
  mSet,  
  rowNorm = "NULL",  
  transNorm = "NULL",  
  scaleNorm = "NULL",  
  ref = NULL,  
  ratio = FALSE,  
  ratioNum = 20,  
  out_dir  
)
```

## Arguments

mSet	The MetaboAnalyst data object.
rowNorm	The row normalization method.
transNorm	The transformation normalization method.
scaleNorm	The scaling normalization method.
ref	Input the name of the reference sample or the reference feature, use " " around the name.
ratio	This option is only for biomarker analysis.
ratioNum	Relevant only for biomarker analysis.
out_dir	The output directory for the plots.

## Value

The normalized MetaboAnalyst data object.

## Examples

```
metaboNorm(mSet, rowNorm = "NULL", transNorm = "NULL", scaleNorm = "NULL", ref = NULL, ratio = FALSE, ratioNum =
```

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missing_values_plot	<i>Generate a missing values plot</i>
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### Description

This function generates a missing values plot using the VIM package's `aggr` function and saves the plot to a specified directory with a given filename.

### Usage

```
missing_values_plot(dataset_experiment, out_dir, out_name)
```

### Arguments

<code>dataset_experiment</code>	The dataset for which the missing values plot will be generated.
<code>out_dir</code>	The directory where the plot will be saved.
<code>out_name</code>	The filename for the saved plot.

### Examples

```
missing_values_plot(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, out_dir = "output", out_name = "missing_plot.png")
```

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MTBLS79	<i>MTBLS79 Dataset</i>
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### Description

This dataset is used as an example in the package.

### Usage

```
MTBLS79
```

### Format

A `DatasetExperiment` object

### Source

<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/metabolights/MTBLS79>

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normalize	<i>Normalize data</i>
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**Description**

Normalize data

**Usage**

```
normalize(  
  output_name,  
  input_name,  
  factor_col,  
  sample_id_col,  
  rowNorm = "NULL",  
  transNorm = "NULL",  
  scaleNorm = "NULL",  
  ref = NULL,  
  out_dir  
)
```

**Arguments**

output_name	The name of the output target.
input_name	The name of the input data.
factor_col	The factor column.
sample_id_col	The sample ID column.
rowNorm	The row normalization method (optional). One of: "QuantileNorm", "CompNorm", "SumNorm", "MedianNorm", "SpecNorm", or NULL.
transNorm	The transformation normalization method (optional). One of: "LogNorm", "CrNorm", or NULL.
scaleNorm	The scaling normalization method (optional). One of: "MeanCenter", "AutoNorm", "ParetoNorm", "RangeNorm", or NULL.
ref	The reference group for normalization (optional).
out_dir	The directory to save plots (optional).

**Value**

A list of targets to normalize data.

**See Also**

```
normalize\_metab\(\)
```

**Examples**

```
normalize(normalized_data, input_data, factor_col = "Group", sample_id_col = "Sample", rowNorm = "CompNorm", t
```

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normalize_csn	<i>Perform Constant Sum Normalization (CSN)</i>
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**Description**

Perform Constant Sum Normalization (CSN)

**Usage**

```
normalize_csn(dataset_experiment, scaling_factor = 1)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_experiment  
A DatasetExperiment object

scaling\_factor Scaling factor for normalization

**Value**

Normalized A DatasetExperiment object

**Examples**

```
normalize_csn(dataset_experiment, scaling_factor = 1)
```

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normalize_metab	<i>Normalize A DatasetExperiment object using MetaboAnalystR</i>
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**Description**

Normalize A DatasetExperiment object using MetaboAnalystR

**Usage**

```
normalize_metab(  
  dataset_experiment,  
  factor_col,  
  sample_id_col,  
  rowNorm = "NULL",  
  transNorm = "NULL",  
  scaleNorm = "NULL",  
  ref = NULL,  
  ratio = FALSE,  
  ratioNum = 20,  
  out_dir  
)
```

Arguments

dataset_experiment	A DatasetExperiment object
factor_col	Column containing factor information for normalization
sample_id_col	Column containing sample IDs
rowNorm	Type of row normalization. Options are: "QuantileNorm", "CompNorm", "SumNorm", "MedianNorm", "SpecNorm", or "NULL"
transNorm	Type of transformation normalization. Options are: "LogNorm", "CrNorm", or "NULL".
scaleNorm	Type of scaling normalization Options are: "MeanCenter", "AutoNorm", "ParetoNorm", "RangeNorm", or "NULL".
ref	Reference feature for "CompNorm" normalization
ratio	Boolean indicating whether to apply ratio normalization
ratioNum	Number of samples for ratio normalization
out_dir	Output directory for saving files

Value

Normalized A DatasetExperiment object

Examples

```
normalize_metab(dataset_experiment, factor_col, sample_id_col, rowNorm = NULL, transNorm = NULL, scaleNorm = N
```

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normalize_pqn	<i>Perform Probabilistic Quotient normalization (PQN)</i>
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Description

Perform Probabilistic Quotient normalization (PQN)

Usage

```
normalize_pqn(dataset_experiment, qc_label, factor_name, ...)
```

Arguments

dataset_experiment	A DatasetExperiment object
qc_label	Label for quality control samples
factor_name	Name of the factor to use for normalization

Value

Normalized A DatasetExperiment object

Examples

```
normalize_pqn(dataset_experiment, qc_label, factor_name)
```



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normalize_vln	<i>Perform Vector Length Normalization (VLN)</i>
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**Description**

Perform Vector Length Normalization (VLN)

**Usage**

```
normalize_vln(dataset_experiment)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_experiment  
A DatasetExperiment object

**Value**

Normalized A DatasetExperiment object

**Examples**

```
normalize_vln(dataset_experiment)
```

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pcpr2	<i>Run PCPR2 analysis on metabolomic data</i>
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**Description**

This function performs PCPR2 analysis on metabolomic data to assess the variability explained by covariates.

**Usage**

```
pcpr2(  
  dataset_experiment,  
  variables = colnames(dataset_experiment$sample_meta),  
  log_transform = TRUE,  
  pct_threshold = 0.8,  
  out_dir = NULL,  
  out_name = "pcpr2"  
)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The metabolomic dataset as a SummarizedExperiment object.
variables	The variables (covariates) to include in the analysis. Default is all variables in the sample metadata.
log_transform	Logical indicating whether to perform log transformation and autoscaling on the data. Default is TRUE.
pct_threshold	The threshold for percentage of variability explained by covariates. Default is 0.8.
out_dir	The output directory to save the plot. If NULL, the plot will not be saved. Default is NULL.
out_name	The name of the output plot file. Default is "pcpr2".

**Value**

The pcpr2 output object.

**Examples**

```
# Load the metabolomic dataset
data("metabolomic_dataset")

# Run PCPR2 analysis
pcpr2_result <- pcpr2(dataset_experiment = metabolomic_dataset)

# Plot the result
pcpr2_result
```

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pipePliers

*Run Shiny App*

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**Description**

This function launches the Shiny app included with the package.

**Usage**

```
pipePliers()
```

**Examples**

```
pipePliers()
```

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plot_boxplots	<i>Plot boxplots for multiple columns</i>
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**Description**

This function generates vertical boxplots for multiple columns of a dataset.

**Usage**

```
plot_boxplots(data, title = "Boxplot of Columns")
```

**Arguments**

data	The dataset containing the columns to be plotted.
title	The title of the plot.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the boxplots.

**Examples**

```
plot_boxplots(data = my_data, title = "Boxplot of Columns")
```

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plot_density_single_with_legend	<i>Plot density plots for one variable with a legend</i>
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**Description**

This function generates density plots for one variable, comparing the original and imputed data, with a legend indicating the data source.

**Usage**

```
plot_density_single_with_legend(original_var, imputed_var)
```

**Arguments**

original_var	The original variable data.
imputed_var	The imputed variable data.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the density plots.

**Examples**

```
plot_density_single_with_legend(original_var = data$original_var, imputed_var = data$imputed_var)
```

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plot_heatmap	<i>Plot a heatmap of the data</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a heatmap of the provided dataset.

**Usage**

```
plot_heatmap(dataset_experiment, na_colour = "#FF00E4")
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the heatmap will be generated.
na_colour	The color to represent missing values in the heatmap.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the heatmap.

**Examples**

```
plot_heatmap(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, na_colour = "#FF00E4")
```

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plot_hotelling_obs	<i>Generate a PCA Hotelling's T-squared observations plot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a PCA Hotelling's T-squared observations plot showing the T-squared values for each observation.

**Usage**

```
plot_hotelling_obs(dataset_experiment, nPCs = 5, nPCs_to_plot = 2)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the plot will be generated.
nPCs	The number of principal components to include in the analysis.
nPCs_to_plot	The number of principal components to plot the ellipses for.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the PCA Hotelling's T-squared observations plot.

**Examples**

```
plot_hotelling_obs(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, nPCs = 5, nPCs_to_plot = 2)
```

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plot_hotelling_pca	<i>Generate a PCA Hotelling's T-squared plot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a PCA Hotelling's T-squared plot showing the principal component scores and confidence ellipses.

**Usage**

```
plot_hotelling_pca(dataset_experiment, nPCs = 5)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the plot will be generated.
nPCs	The number of principal components to include in the analysis.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the PCA Hotelling's T-squared plot.

**Examples**

```
plot_hotelling_pca(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, nPCs = 5)
```

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plot_outliers	<i>Generate an outliers plot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a plot showing outliers detected using Hotelling's T-squared statistic in PCA.

**Usage**

```
plot_outliers(dataset_experiment, nPCs = 5, out_dir, out_name)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the outliers plot will be generated.
nPCs	The number of principal components to include in the analysis.
out_dir	The directory where the plot will be saved.
out_name	The filename for the saved plot.

**Examples**

```
plot_outliers(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, nPCs = 5, out_dir = "output", out_name = "outliers_plot.png")
```

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plot_pca	<i>Generate a PCA plot</i>
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**Description**

This function generates a PCA plot showing the principal component scores colored by a specified factor.

**Usage**

```
plot_pca(dataset_experiment, factor_name = "sample_type", nPCs = 5)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_experiment	The dataset for which the PCA plot will be generated.
factor_name	The name of the factor variable used for coloring.
nPCs	The number of principal components to include in the analysis.

**Value**

A ggplot object displaying the PCA plot.

**Examples**

```
plot_pca(dataset_experiment = my_dataset, factor_name = "sample_type", nPCs = 5)
```

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qcrsc_correction	<i>Signal drift and batch correction function</i>
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**Description**

This function performs signal drift and batch correction on a given DatasetExperiment object using the QC-RSC method.

**Usage**

```
qcrsc_correction(dataset_exp, order_col, batch_col, qc_col, qc_label)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object with samples and variables.
order_col	Column indicating the order of samples.
batch_col	Column indicating batch information.
qc_col	Column indicating quality control information.
qc_label	Label for quality control.

**Value**

Corrected DatasetExperiment object.

**Examples**

```
#' DE <- metaboPipe::MTBLS79
qcrsc_correction(MTBLS79, "run_order", "Batch", "Type", "QC")
```

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sample.data.extract	<i>Function to extract sample metadata from a DatasetExperiment object</i>
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**Description**

This function extracts the sample metadata from a SummarizedExperiment object.

**Usage**

```
sample.data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_exp      A DatasetExperiment object.

**Value**

Sample metadata dataframe.

**Examples**

```
sample.data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

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sample.data.modify	<i>Function to modify sample metadata of a DatasetExperiment object</i>
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**Description**

This function replaces the sample metadata in a SummarizedExperiment object with new metadata.

**Usage**

```
sample.data.modify(dataset_exp, sample_meta)
```

**Arguments**

dataset\_exp      A DatasetExperiment object.  
sample\_meta      New sample metadata dataframe.

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with modified sample metadata.

**Examples**

```
sample.data.modify(dataset_exp, sample_meta)
```

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save_metabo	<i>Function to export MetaboAnalyst data</i>
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**Description**

Function to export MetaboAnalyst data

**Usage**

```
save_metabo(mSet)
```

**Arguments**

mSet	The MetaboAnalyst data object
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**Value**

Nothing

**Examples**

```
save_metabo(mSet)
```

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save_plot	<i>Function to save plots</i>
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**Description**

Function to save plots

**Usage**

```
save_plot(plt, output_dir, output_name, extension = "png")
```

**Arguments**

plt	The plot object
output_dir	The output directory
output_name	The output name for the plot file
extension	The filetype extension for the plot file. Default is 'png'.

**Value**

Nothing

**Examples**

```
save_plot(plt, output_dir, output_name)
```



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sort_by_sample_id	<i>Sort by sample_id</i>
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**Description**

Sort by sample\_id

**Usage**

```
sort_by_sample_id(df)
```

**Arguments**

df                      A dataframe with a sample\_id column.

**Value**

A data frame sorted by sample\_id.

**Examples**

```
sort_by_sample_id(data)
```

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ST000284	<i>ST000284 Dataset</i>
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**Description**

This dataset is used as an example in the package.

**Usage**

```
ST000284
```

**Format**

A DatasetExperiment object

**Source**

<https://www.metabolomicsworkbench.org/data/DRCCMetadata.php?Mode=Study&StudyID=ST000284&StudyType=M>

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toMetaboAnalyst	<i>Function to create a dataSet for MetaboAnalyst</i>
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### Description

Function to create a dataSet for MetaboAnalyst

### Usage

```
toMetaboAnalyst(
  dataset_exp,
  class_col = "sample_type",
  sample_id = "sample_id"
)
```

### Arguments

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object.
class_col	Column to be used as class.
sample_id	Column to be used as sample ID.

### Value

Nothing.

### Examples

```
toMetaboAnalyst(dataset_exp, class_col = "sample_type", sample_id = "sample_id")
```

---

variable.data.extract	<i>Function to extract variable metadata from a DatasetExperiment object</i>
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### Description

This function extracts the variable metadata from a SummarizedExperiment object.

### Usage

```
variable.data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

### Arguments

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object.
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### Value

Variable metadata dataframe.

### Examples

```
variable.data.extract(dataset_exp)
```

---

`variable.data.modify`    *Function to modify variable metadata of a DatasetExperiment object*

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### Description

This function replaces the variable metadata in a SummarizedExperiment object with new metadata.

### Usage

```
variable.data.modify(dataset_exp, variable_meta)
```

### Arguments

`dataset_exp`    A DatasetExperiment object.  
`variable_meta`    New variable metadata.

### Value

A DatasetExperiment object with modified variable metadata.

### Examples

```
variable.data.modify(dataset_exp, variable_meta)
```

---

`warper_batch_correction`  
*Signal drift and batch correction function*

---

### Description

This function performs signal drift and batch correction on a given DatasetExperiment object using the specified method.

### Usage

```
warper_batch_correction(  
  dataset_exp,  
  method,  
  order_col,  
  batch_col,  
  qc_col,  
  qc_label  
)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object with samples and variables.
method	The batch correction method to use: ComBat, QCRSC.
order_col	Column indicating the order of samples.
batch_col	Column indicating batch information.
qc_col	Column indicating quality control information.
qc_label	Label for quality control.

**Value**

Corrected DatasetExperiment object.

**Examples**

```
DE <- metaboPipe::MTBLS79
warper_batch_correction(MTBLS79, "QCRSC", "run_order", "Batch", "Type", "QC")
```

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warper\_createExperiment

*Process the dataset to create the DatasetExperiment object*

---

**Description**

Process the dataset to create the DatasetExperiment object

**Usage**

```
warper_createExperiment(
  dataMatrix,
  sampleMetadata,
  variableMetadata,
  experiment_name = "Name",
  experiment_description = "Description"
)
```

**Arguments**

dataMatrix	A matrix with samples as rows and features as columns.
sampleMetadata	A data frame with the sample metadata.
variableMetadata	A data frame with the variable metadata.
experiment_name	The name for the experiment.
experiment_description	The description for the experiment.

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object.

**Examples**

```
warper_createExperiment(dataMatrix, sampleMetadata, variableMetadata, experiment_name = "Name", experiment_d
```

---

```
warper_factor_sample_col
```

*Function to convert sample columns to factors*

---

**Description**

This function converts specified columns in the sample metadata to factors.

**Usage**

```
warper_factor_sample_col(dataset_exp, col)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	A DatasetExperiment object with sample metadata.
col	Column(s) to be converted to factors.

**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with specified columns converted to factors.

**Examples**

```
warper_factor_sample_col(dataset_exp, col)
```

---

```
zero_to_na
```

*Make 0 and <0 as NA*

---

**Description**

Replace 0 values with NA in a DatasetExperiment.

**Usage**

```
zero_to_na(dataset_exp)
```

**Arguments**

dataset_exp	The DatasetExperiment object.
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**Value**

A DatasetExperiment object with values  $\leq 0$  replaced by NA.

**Examples**

```
DE <- metaboPipe::ST000284
modified_dataset <- zero_to_na(DE)
```

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