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**AFRLDSC** 

African Population LDSC Data

# **Description**

LDSC data for African populations. It includes LD scores calculated from the sample LD matrix and POET-estimated LD scores.

# Usage

data(AFRLDSC)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 2 variables:

**SNP** SNP identifier.

LDSC LD score calculated from the sample LD matrix.

# **Source**

LD scores derived from UK Biobank samples using PRScsx (https://github.com/getian107/PRScsx).

**AMRLDSC** 

American Admixed Population LDSC Data

# **Description**

LDSC data for American admixed populations (Hispanic). It includes LD scores calculated from the sample LD matrix and POET-estimated LD scores.

# Usage

data(AMRLDSC)

# **Format**

A data frame with 2 variables:

**SNP** SNP identifier.

LDSC LD score calculated from the sample LD matrix.

#### **Source**

LD scores derived from UK Biobank samples using PRScsx (https://github.com/getian107/PRScsx).

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**EASLDSC** 

East Asian Population LDSC Data

# **Description**

LDSC data for East Asian populations. It includes LD scores calculated from the sample LD matrix and POET-estimated LD scores.

# Usage

data(EASLDSC)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 2 variables:

**SNP** SNP identifier.

LDSC LD score calculated from the sample LD matrix.

# **Source**

LD scores derived from UK Biobank samples using PRScsx (https://github.com/getian107/PRScsx).

**EURLDSC** 

European Population LDSC Data

# **Description**

LDSC data for European populations. It includes LD scores calculated from the sample LD matrix and POET-estimated LD scores.

# Usage

data(EURLDSC)

# **Format**

A data frame with 2 variables:

SNP SNP identifier.

LDSC LD score calculated from the sample LD matrix.

#### **Source**

LD scores derived from UK Biobank samples using PRScsx (https://github.com/getian107/PRScsx).

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filter\_align

Filter and Align GWAS Data to a Reference Panel

# **Description**

The filter\_align function processes a list of GWAS summary statistics data frames, harmonizes alleles according to a reference panel, removes duplicates, and aligns data to common SNPs. It's used to prepare data for further analysis such as LDSC.

#### Usage

```
filter_align(gwas_data_list, ref_panel, allele_match = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

gwas\_data\_list A list of data.frames where each data.frame contains GWAS summary statistics

for a trait. Each data.frame should include columns for SNP identifiers, Z-scores of effect size estimates, sample sizes (N), effect allele (A1), and reference allele

(A2).

ref\_panel A data.frame containing the reference panel data. It must include columns for

SNP, A1, and A2.

allele\_match Logical. Whether to match alleles. Default TRUE.

#### **Details**

The function performs several key steps: adjusting alleles according to a reference panel, removing duplicate SNPs, and aligning all GWAS data frames to a set of common SNPs. This is often a necessary preprocessing step before performing genetic correlation and heritability analyses.

# Value

A list of data.frames, each corresponding to an input GWAS summary statistics data frame, but filtered, harmonized, and aligned to the common SNPs found across all data frames.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Assuming GWAS_List and ref_panel are already defined:
GWAS_List <- filter_align(GWAS_List, ref_panel)
## End(Not run)</pre>
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	hapmap3	HapMap3 and UKBB Genotype SNP Data	
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# **Description**

A data frame containing combined SNP data from 1000 Genomes Project Phase 3 and UK Biobank (UKBB) genotypes. It includes a total of 1,664,852 SNPs.

# Usage

data(hapmap3)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 1,664,852 rows and 3 variables:

**SNP** SNP identifier.

A1 Effect allele.

A2 Reference allele.

#### **Source**

1000 Genomes Project Phase 3 and UK Biobank genotype data.

Single-Variate Linkage Disequilibrium Score Regression (LDSC)

ldsc.bicov

# Description

The 'ldsc.bicov' function performs bi-variate genetic covariance using Linkage Disequilibrium Score Regression (LDSC) analysis. It is designed to estimate heritability from gwas1 summary statistics, accounting for linkage disequilibrium (LD) between SNPs. The function harmonizes gwas1 data with LD scores and applies non-linear optimization to estimate heritability.

#### Usage

```
ldsc.bicov(gwas1, gwas2, h21, h22, LDSC, nblock = 500, sampling.time = 0)
```

# **Arguments**

gwas1	A data.frame containing gwas summary statistics for the first trait. The data.frame should include columns for SNP identifiers, Z-scores of effect size estimates, sample sizes (N).
gwas2	A data frame containing gwas summary statistics for the second trait. The data frame should include columns for SNP identifiers, Z-scores of effect size estimates, sample sizes (N).
LDSC	A data.frame containing LD Score Regression (LDSC) estimates. It should include LDSC scores and other necessary metrics for the analysis.
nblock	The number of blocks for bootstrap-based standard error estimation.
sampling.time	The number of block bootstrap. If sampling.time=0, only genetic covariance estimate will be returned.

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#### **Details**

The 'ldsc.univ' function is particularly useful for single-trait heritability analysis using LDSC. It requires well-formatted gwas1 summary statistics and an understanding of LDSC methodology. The function includes an initial estimation phase followed by a reweighting step for improved efficiency and accuracy.

#### Value

A data frame containing genetic covariance estimates and their standard errors, along with the estimation error covariance estimate and its standard error.

ldsc.univ	Single-Variate Linkage Disequilibrium Score Regression (LDSC)

# **Description**

The 'ldsc.uni' function performs single-variate Linkage Disequilibrium Score Regression (LDSC) analysis. It is designed to estimate heritability from GWAS summary statistics, accounting for linkage disequilibrium (LD) between SNPs. The function harmonizes GWAS data with LD scores and applies non-linear optimization to estimate heritability.

#### Usage

```
ldsc.univ(gwas, LDSC, nblock = 500, sampling.time = 500)
```

### **Arguments**

gwas	A data frame containing GWAS summary statistics for a single trait. The data frame should include columns for SNP identifiers, Z-scores of effect size estimates, sample sizes (N), effect allele (A1), and reference allele (A2).
LDSC	A data.frame containing LD Score Regression (LDSC) estimates. It should include LDSC scores and other necessary metrics for the analysis.
nblock	The number of blocks for bootstrap-based standard error estimation.
sampling.time	The number of block bootstrap. If sampling.time=0, only genetic covariance

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estimate will be returned.

#### **Details**

The 'ldsc.univ' function is particularly useful for single-trait heritability analysis using LDSC. It requires well-formatted GWAS summary statistics and an understanding of LDSC methodology. The function includes an initial estimation phase followed by a reweighting step for improved efficiency and accuracy.

# Value

A data.frame containing heritability estimates and their standard errors, along with the intercept and its standard error.

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# **Description**

A list with 12 eQTL summary data in the PCK9 locsc

# Usage

data(PCSK9)

#### **Format**

A list with 12 data.frame:

SNP SNP identifier.

Zscore Zscore of eQTL data.

N Sample size of eQTL data.

A1 Effect allele.

A2 Alternative.

rownames(.) Gene ensembl or splicing identifier and tissue.

#### Source

eQTL summary data are provided by GTEx consortium (https://www.gtexportal.org/home/).

SASLDSC

South Asian LD Score Regression (LDSC) Data

# **Description**

LDSC data for South Asian populations. It includes LD scores calculated from the sample LD matrix and POET-estimated LD scores.

# Usage

data(SASLDSC)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 2 variables:

**SNP** SNP identifier.

**LDSC** LD score calculated from the sample LD matrix.

# **Source**

LD scores derived from UK Biobank samples using PRScsx (https://github.com/getian107/PRScsx).

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