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<code>add_adjusted</code>	<i>Add expression data adjusted for pairs/surrogate variables</i>
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Description

Add expression data adjusted for pairs/surrogate variables

Usage

```
add_adjusted(eset, svobj = list(sv = NULL), numsv = 0)
```

Arguments

<code>eset</code>	ExpressionSet
<code>svobj</code>	surrogate variable object
<code>numsv</code>	Number of surrogate variables to adjust for

Value

eset with adjusted element added

<code>add_sources</code>	<i>Add sample source information for meta-analysis.</i>
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Description

User selects a tissue source for each contrast and indicates any sources that should be paired. This step is required if you would like to perform source-specific effect-size/pathway meta-analyses.

Usage

```
add_sources(diff_exprs, data_dir = getwd(), postfix = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>diff_exprs</code>	Previous result of <code>diff_expr</code> , which can be reloaded using <code>load_diff</code> .
<code>data_dir</code>	String specifying directory of GSE folders.
<code>postfix</code>	Optional string to append to saved results. Useful if need to run multiple meta-analyses on the same series but with different contrasts.

Details

The **Sources** tab is used to add a source for each contrast. To do so: click the relevant contrast rows, search for a source in the *Sample source* dropdown box, and then click the *Add* button.

The **Pairs** tab is used to indicate sources that should be paired (treated as the same source for subsequent effect-size and pathway meta-analyses). To do so: select at least two sources from the *Paired sources* dropdown box, and then click the *Add* button.

For each GSE, analysis results with added sources/pairs are saved in the corresponding GSE folder (in `data_dir`) that was created by `get_raw`.

Value

Same as `diff_expr` with added slots for each GSE in `diff_exprs`:

<code>sources</code>	Named vector specifying selected sample source for each contrast. Vector names identify the contrast.
<code>pairs</code>	List of character vectors indicating tissue sources that should be treated as the same source for subsequent effect-size and pathway meta-analyses.

Examples

```
library(lydata)

# load result of previous call to diff_expr:
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")
gse_names <- c("GSE9601", "GSE34817")
anals <- load_diff(gse_names, data_dir)

# run shiny GUI to add tissue sources
# anals <- add_sources(anals, data_dir)
```

add_vsd

Add VST normalized assay data element to expression set

Description

For microarray datasets duplicates `exprs` slot into `vsd` slot.

Usage

```
add_vsd(eset, rna_seq = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>eset</code>	ExpressionSet with group column in <code>pData(eset)</code>
<code>rna_seq</code>	Is this an RNA-seq eset? Default is TRUE.

Value

eset with 'vsd' assayDataElement added.

bulkPage	<i>Logic for Select Contrasts Interface</i>
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Description

Logic for Select Contrasts Interface

Usage

```
bulkPage(input, output, session, eset, gse_name, prev)
```

Arguments

input, output, session	shiny module boilerplate
eset	ExpressionSet
gse_name	GEO accession for the series.
prev	Previous result of diff_expr. Used to allow rechecking previous selections.

bulkPageUI	<i>UI for Select Contrasts Interface</i>
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Description

UI for Select Contrasts Interface

Usage

```
bulkPageUI(id)
```

Arguments

id	The id string to be namespaced.
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diff_expr

*Differential expression analysis of esets.***Description**

After selecting control and test samples for each contrast, surrogate variable analysis ([sva](#)) and differential expression analysis is performed.

Usage

```
diff_expr(
  esets,
  data_dir = getwd(),
  annot = "SYMBOL",
  prev_anals = list(NULL),
  svanal = TRUE,
  recheck = FALSE,
  postfix = NULL,
  port = 3838
)
```

Arguments

esets	List of annotated esets. Created by load_raw .
data_dir	String specifying directory of GSE folders.
annot	String, column name in fData common to all esets. For duplicated values in this column, the row with the highest interquartile range across selected samples will be kept. If meta-analysis will follow, appropriate values are "SYMBOL" (default - for gene level analysis) or, if all esets are from the same platform, "PROBE" (for probe level analysis).
prev_anals	Previous result of diff_expr , which can be reloaded using load_diff . If present, previous selections, names, and pairs will be reused.
svanal	Use surrogate variable analysis? Default is TRUE.
recheck	Would you like to recheck previous group/contrast annotations? Requires <code>prev_anals</code> . Default is FALSE.
postfix	Optional string to append to saved results. Useful if need to run multiple meta-analyses on the same series but with different contrasts.
port	See runApp() .

Details

Click the Download icon and fill in the *Group name* column and optionally the *Pairs* column. Then save and upload the filled in metadata csv. After doing so, select a test and control group to compare and click the + icon to add the contrast. Repeat previous step to add additional contrasts.

After control and test samples have been added for all contrasts that you wish to include, click the *Done* button. Repeat for all GSEs.

Paired samples (e.g. the same subject before and after treatment) can be specified by filling out the *Pairs column* before uploading the metadata.

For each GSE, analysis results are saved in the corresponding GSE folder in `data_dir` that was created by `get_raw`. If analyses needs to be repeated, previous results can be reloaded with `load_diff` and supplied to the `prev_anals` parameter. In this case, previous selections, names, and pairs will be reused.

Value

List of named lists, one for each GSE. Each named list contains:

<code>pdata</code>	data.frame with phenotype data for selected samples. Columns <code>treatment</code> ('ctrl' or 'test'), <code>group</code> , and <code>pair</code> are added based on user selections.
<code>top_tables</code>	List with results of <code>topTable</code> call (one per contrast). These results account for the effects of nuisance variables discovered by surrogate variable analysis.
<code>ebayes_sv</code>	Results of call to <code>eBayes</code> with surrogate variables included in the model matrix.
<code>annot</code>	Value of <code>annot</code> variable.

Examples

```
library(lydata)

# location of raw data
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")

# gather GSE names
gse_names <- c("GSE9601", "GSE15069", "GSE50841", "GSE34817", "GSE29689")

# load first eset
esets <- load_raw(gse_names[1], data_dir)

# run analysis (opens GUI)
# anal_old <- diff_expr(esets, data_dir)

# re-run analysis on first eset
prev <- load_diff(gse_names[1], data_dir)
anals <- diff_expr(esets[1], data_dir, prev_anals = prev)
```

es_meta

Effect size combination meta analysis.

Description

Performs effect-size meta-analyses across all studies and seperately for each tissue source.

Usage

```
es_meta(diff_exprs, cutoff = 0.3, by_source = FALSE)
```

Arguments

diff_exprs	Previous result of <code>diff_expr</code> , which can be reloaded using <code>load_diff</code> .
cutoff	Minimum fraction of contrasts that must have measured each gene. Between 0 and 1.
by_source	Should separate meta-analyses be performed for each tissue source added with <code>add_sources</code> ?

Details

Builds on `zScores` function from GeneMeta by allowing for genes that were not measured in all studies. This implementation also uses moderated unbiased effect sizes calculated by `effectsize` from metaMA and determines false discovery rates using `fdrtool`.

Value

A list of named lists, one for each tissue source. Each list contains two named data.frames. The first, `filt`, has all the columns below for genes present in cutoff or more fraction of contrasts. The second, `raw`, has only `dprime` and `vardprime` columns, but for all genes (NAs for genes not measured by a given contrast).

dprime	Unbiased effect sizes (one column per contrast).
vardprime	Variances of unbiased effect sizes (one column per contrast).
mu	Overall mean effect sizes.
var	Variances of overall mean effect sizes.
z	Overall z score = $\mu / \sqrt{\text{var}}$.
fdr	False discovery rates calculated from column z using <code>fdrtool</code> .
pval	p-values calculated from column z using <code>fdrtool</code> .

Examples

```
library(lydata)

# location of data
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")

# gather GSE names
gse_names <- c("GSE9601", "GSE15069", "GSE50841", "GSE34817", "GSE29689")

# load previous analysis
anals <- load_diff(gse_names, data_dir)

# add tissue sources to perform separate meta-analyses for each source (optional)
# anals <- add_sources(anals, data_dir)
```



```
# perform meta-analysis
es <- es_meta(anals, by_source = TRUE)
```

exprs.MA	<i>Extract Log-Expression Matrix from MAList</i>
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Description

Converts M and A-values to log-expression values. The output matrix will have two columns for each array, in the order all red then all green. Adapted from [plotDensities.MAList](#) instead of [exprs.MA](#) so that order is same as [phenoData.ch2](#).

Usage

```
exprs.MA(MA)
```

Arguments

MA an MAList object.

Value

A numeric matrix with twice the columns of the input.

filter_genes	<i>Filter genes in RNA-seq ExpressionSet</i>
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Description

Uses [filterByExpr](#) to filter based on 'counts' assay or 'exprs' assay if 'counts' isn't available (for ARCHS4 data).

Usage

```
filter_genes(eset)
```

Arguments

eset ExpressionSet with 'counts' assayDataElement and group column in pData

Value

filtered eset

See Also[filterByExpr](#)**Examples**

```
# example ExpressionSet
eset <- makeExampleCountsEset()
eset <- filter_genes(eset)
```

`fit_ebayes`*Fit ebayes model*

Description

Fit ebayes model

Usage

```
fit_ebayes(
  lm_fit,
  contrasts,
  robust = TRUE,
  trend = FALSE,
  allow.no.resid = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>lm_fit</code>	Result of call to run_limma
<code>contrasts</code>	Character vector of contrasts to fit.
<code>robust</code>	logical, should the estimation of <code>df.prior</code> and <code>var.prior</code> be robustified against outlier sample variances?
<code>trend</code>	logical, should an intensity-dependent trend be allowed for the prior variance? If FALSE then the prior variance is constant. Alternatively, <code>trend</code> can be a row-wise numeric vector, which will be used as the covariate for the prior variance.
<code>allow.no.resid</code>	Allow no residual degrees of freedom? if TRUE and the fit contrast matrix has no residual degrees of freedom, eBayes fit is skipped and the result of contrasts.fit is returned.

Valueresult of [eBayes](#)

fix_illum_headers	<i>Attempts to fix Illumina raw data header</i>
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Description

Reads raw data files and tries to fix them up so that they can be loaded by [read.ilmn](#).

Usage

```
fix_illum_headers(elist_paths, eset = NULL)
```

Arguments

elist_paths	Path to Illumina raw data files. Usually contain patterns: non_normalized.txt, raw.txt, or _supplementary_.txt
eset	ExpressionSet from getGEO .

Value

Character vector for annotation argument to [read.ilmn](#). Fixed raw data files are saved with file-name ending in _fixed.txt

get_raw	<i>Download and unpack microarray supplementary files from GEO.</i>
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Description

Downloads and unpacks microarray supplementary files from GEO. Files are stored in the supplied data directory under the GSE name.

Usage

```
get_raw(gse_names, data_dir = getwd())
```

Arguments

gse_names	Character vector of GSE names to download.
data_dir	String specifying directory for GSE folders.

Value

NULL (for download/unpack only).

See Also

[load_raw](#).

Examples

```
get_raw("GSE41845")
```

get_sva_mods	<i>Get model matrices for surrogate variable analysis</i>
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Description

Used by add_adjusted to create model matrix with surrogate variables.

Usage

```
get_sva_mods(pdata)
```

Arguments

pdata data.frame of phenotype data with column 'group' and 'pair' (optional).

Value

List with model matrix(mod) and null model matrix (mod0) used for sva.

get_top_table	<i>Get top table</i>
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Description

Get top table

Usage

```
get_top_table(
  lm_fit,
  groups = c("test", "ctrl"),
  with.es = TRUE,
  robust = FALSE,
  trend = FALSE,
  allow.no.resid = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

lm_fit	Result of run_limma
groups	Test and Control group as strings.
with.es	Add 'dprime' and 'vardprime' from effectsize ? Default is TRUE.
robust	logical, should the estimation of <code>df.prior</code> and <code>var.prior</code> be robustified against outlier sample variances?
trend	logical, should an intensity-dependent trend be allowed for the prior variance? If FALSE then the prior variance is constant. Alternatively, <code>trend</code> can be a row-wise numeric vector, which will be used as the covariate for the prior variance.
allow.no.resid	Allow no residual degrees of freedom? if TRUE and the fit contrast matrix has no residual degrees of freedom, eBayes fit is skipped and the result of contrasts.fit is returned.

Value

result of [toptable](#)

get_vsd

Get variance stabilized data for exploratory data analysis

Description

Get variance stabilized data for exploratory data analysis

Usage

```
get_vsd(eset)
```

Arguments

eset	ExpressionSet loaded with load_raw .
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Value

matrix with variance stabilized expression data.

`gs.names`*Map between KEGG pathway numbers and names.*

Description

Used to map human KEGG pathway numbers to names. Updated Feb 2017.

Usage

```
data(gs.names)
```

Format

An object of class `character` of length 310.

Value

A named character vector of human KEGG pathway names. Names of vector are KEGG pathway numbers.

`gslist`*KEGG human pathway genes.*

Description

Genes for human KEGG pathways. Updated Feb 2017.

Usage

```
data(gslist)
```

Format

An object of class `list` of length 310.

Value

A named list with entrez ids of genes for human KEGG pathways. List names are KEGG pathway numbers.

ilmn.nnum	<i>Count numeric columns in raw Illumina data files</i>
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Description

Excludes probe ID cols

Usage

```
ilmn.nnum(elist_paths)
```

Arguments

elist_paths Paths to raw illumina data files

Value

Number of numeric columns in elist_paths excluding probe ID columns.

iqr_replicates	<i>Removes features with replicated annotation.</i>
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Description

For rows with duplicated annot, highested IQR retained.

Usage

```
iqr_replicates(eset, annot = "SYMBOL", rm.dup = FALSE)
```

Arguments

eset	Annotated eset created by load_raw.
annot	feature to use to remove replicates.
rm.dup	remove duplicates (same measure, multiple ids)? Used for Pathway analysis so that doesn't treat probes that map to multiple genes as distinct measures.

Value

Expression set with unique features at probe or gene level.

load_agil_plat	<i>Load Agilent raw data</i>
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Description

Load Agilent raw data

Usage

```
load_agil_plat(eset, gse_name, gse_dir, ensql)
```

Arguments

eset	ExpressionSet from getGEO .
gse_name	Accession name for eset.
gse_dir	Direction with Agilent raw data.
ensql	For development. Path to sqlite file with ENTREZID and SYMBOL columns created in data-raw/entrezdt.

Value

ExpressionSet

load_diff	<i>Load previous differential expression analyses.</i>
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Description

Loads previous differential expression analyses.

Usage

```
load_diff(gse_names, data_dir = getwd(), annot = "SYMBOL", postfix = NULL)
```

Arguments

gse_names	Character vector specifying GSE names to be loaded.
data_dir	String specifying directory of GSE folders.
annot	Level of previous analysis (e.g. "SYMBOL" or "PROBE").
postfix	Optional string to append to saved results. Useful if need to run multiple meta-analyses on the same series but with different contrasts.

Value

Result of previous call to [diff_expr](#).

Examples

```
library(lydata)

data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")
gse_names <- c("GSE9601", "GSE34817")
prev <- load_diff(gse_names, data_dir)
```

load_raw

Load and annotate raw data downloaded from GEO.

Description

Loads and annotates raw data previously downloaded with `get_raw`. Supported platforms include Affymetrix, Agilent, and Illumina.

Usage

```
load_raw(
  gse_names,
  data_dir = getwd(),
  gpl_dir = "..",
  overwrite = FALSE,
  ensql = NULL
)
```

Arguments

<code>gse_names</code>	Character vector of GSE names.
<code>data_dir</code>	String specifying directory with GSE folders.
<code>gpl_dir</code>	String specifying parent directory to search for previously downloaded GPL.soft files.
<code>overwrite</code>	Do you want to overwrite saved esets from previous <code>load_raw</code> ?
<code>ensql</code>	For development. Path to sqlite file with ENTREZID and SYMBOL columns created in data-raw/entrezdt.

Value

List of annotated esets.

Examples

```
library(lydata)
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")
eset <- load_raw("GSE9601", data_dir = data_dir)
```

makeExampleCountsEset *Make example ExpressionSet*

Description

adapted from DESeq2::makeExampleDESeqDataSet

Usage

```
makeExampleCountsEset(
  n = 1000,
  m = 12,
  betaSD = 0,
  interceptMean = 4,
  interceptSD = 2,
  dispMeanRel = function(x) 4/x + 0.1,
  sizeFactors = rep(1, m)
)
```

Arguments

n	number of rows
m	number of columns
betaSD	the standard deviation for non-intercept betas, i.e. $\beta \sim N(0, \text{betaSD})$
interceptMean	the mean of the intercept betas (log2 scale)
interceptSD	the standard deviation of the intercept betas (log2 scale)
dispMeanRel	a function specifying the relationship of the dispersions on $2^{\text{trueIntercept}}$
sizeFactors	multiplicative factors for each sample

Examples

```
eset <- makeExampleCountsEset()
```

open_raw_illum *Open raw Illumina microarray files.*

Description

Helper function to open raw Illumina microarray files in order to check that they are formatted correctly. For details on correct format, please see 'Checking Raw Illumina Data' in vignette.

Usage

```
open_raw_illum(gse_names, data_dir = getwd())
```

Arguments

gse_names Character vector of Illumina GSE names to open.
data_dir String specifying directory with GSE folders.

Value

Character vector of successfully formatted Illumina GSE names.

Examples

```
library(lydata)

# Illumina GSE names
illum_names <- c("GSE50841", "GSE34817", "GSE29689")

# location of raw data
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")

# open raw data files with default text editor
# open_raw_illum(illum_names)
```

phenoData.ch2

Construct AnnotatedDataFrame from Two-Channel ExpressionSet

Description

Construct AnnotatedDataFrame from Two-Channel ExpressionSet

Usage

```
phenoData.ch2(eset)
```

Arguments

eset ExpressionSet with pData for two-channel Agilent array.

Value

AnnotatedDataFrame with twice as many rows as eset, one for each channel of each array in order all red then all green.

prefix_illum_headers *Run prefix on Illumina raw data files*

Description

Run prefix on Illumina raw data files

Usage

```
prefix_illum_headers(elist_paths)
```

Arguments

elist_paths Paths to raw Illumina data files

Value

Paths to fixed versions of elist_paths

remove_automated *Remove columns that are automated by data.table*

Description

Auto-named columns start with 'V' followed by the column number.

Usage

```
remove_automated(ex)
```

Arguments

ex data.frame loaded with [fread](#)

Value

ex with auto-named columns removed.

run_limma	<i>Linear model fitting of eset with limma.</i>
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Description

After selecting control and test samples for a contrast, surrogate variable analysis ([sva](#)) and linear model fitting with [lmFit](#) is performed.

Usage

```
run_limma(  
  eset,  
  annot = "SYMBOL",  
  svobj = list(sv = NULL),  
  numsv = 0,  
  filter = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

eset	Annotated eset created by load_raw .
annot	String, column name in fData. For duplicated values in this column, the row with the highest interquartile range across selected samples will be kept. Appropriate values are "SYMBOL" (default - for gene level analysis) or "ENTREZID_HS" (for probe level analysis).
svobj	Surrogate variable analysis results. Returned from run_sva .
numsv	Number of surrogate variables to model.
filter	For RNA-seq. Should genes with low counts be filtered? dseqr shiny app performs this step separately. Should be TRUE (default) if used outside of dseqr shiny app .

Details

If analyses need to be repeated, previous results can be reloaded with [readRDS](#) and supplied to the `prev_anal` parameter. In this case, previous selections will be reused.

Value

List with:

fit	result of lmFit .
mod	<code>model.matrix</code> used for fit

run_limma_setup	<i>Setup ExpressionSet for running limma analysis</i>
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Description

Setup ExpressionSet for running limma analysis

Usage

```
run_limma_setup(eset, prev)
```

Arguments

eset	ExpressionSet
prev	previous result of call to diff_expr

Value

eset ready for run_limma

run_sva	<i>Run surrogate variable analysis</i>
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Description

Run surrogate variable analysis

Usage

```
run_sva(mods, eset, svanal = TRUE)
```

Arguments

mods	result of get_sva_mods
eset	ExpressionSet
svanal	Should surrogate variable analysis be run? If FALSE, returns dummy result.

setup_prev	<i>Setup selections when many samples.</i>
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Description

Function is useful when number of samples makes manual selection with `diff_expr` error prone and time-consuming. This is often true for large clinical data sets.

Usage

```
setup_prev(eset, contrasts)
```

Arguments

eset	List containing one expression set with pData 'group' and 'pair' (optional) columns. Name of eset should be the GSE name.
contrasts	Character vector specifying contrasts to analyse. Each contrast must take the form "B-A" where both "B" and "A" are present in eset pData 'group' column. "B" is the treatment group and "A" is the control group.

Value

List containing necessary information for `prev_anal` parameter of `diff_expr`.

Examples

```
library(lydata)
library(Biobase)

# location of raw data
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")

# load eset
gse_name <- c("GSE34817")
eset <- load_raw(gse_name, data_dir)

# inspect pData of eset
# View(pData(eset$GSE34817)) # if using RStudio
head(pData(eset$GSE34817)) # otherwise

# get group info from pData (differs based on eset)
group <- pData(eset$GSE34817)$characteristics_ch1.1

# make group names concise and valid
group <- gsub("treatment: ", "", group)
group <- make.names(group)

# add group to eset pData
pData(eset$GSE34817)$group <- group
```

```
# setup selections
sel <- setup_prev(eset, contrasts = "LY-DMSO")

# run differential expression analysis
anal <- diff_expr(eset, data_dir, prev_anal = sel)
```

symbol_annot	<i>Add hgnc symbol to expression set.</i>
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Description

Function first maps entrez gene ids to homologous human entrez gene ids and then to hgnc symbols.

Usage

```
symbol_annot(eset, gse_name = "", ensql = NULL)
```

Arguments

eset	Expression set to annotate.
gse_name	GSE name for eset.
ensql	For development. Path to sqlite file with ENTREZID and SYMBOL columns created in data-raw/entrezdt.

Details

Initial entrez gene ids are obtained from bioconductor annotation data packages or from feature data of supplied expression set. Homologous human entrez ids are obtained from homologene and then mapped to hgnc symbols using org.Hs.eg.db. Expression set is expanded if 1:many mappings occur.

Value

Expression set with hgnc symbols ("SYMBOL") and row names ("PROBE") added to fData slot.

See Also

[load_raw](#).

Examples

```
library(lydata)

# location of raw data
data_dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "lydata")

# load eset
eset <- load_raw("GSE9601", data_dir)[[1]]
```



```
# annotate eset (need if load_raw failed to annotate)
eset <- symbol_annot(eset)
```

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