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campylobacterDelftParams1

Campylobacter Delft Response Parameters Data for Model 1

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

campylobacterDelftParams1

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterDelftParams1
lapply(campylobacterDelftParams1, head)
```

```
campylobacterDelftParams3
```

Campylobacter Delft Response Parameters Data for Model 3

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
campylobacterDelftParams3
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterDelftParams3
lapply(campylobacterDelftParams3, head)
```

```
campylobacterDelftParams4
```

Campylobacter Delft Response Parameters Data for Model 4

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
campylobacterDelftParams4
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterDelftParams4
lapply(campylobacterDelftParams4, head)
```

campylobacterSimLowData

Simulated Cross-sectional Data

Description

Simulated cross-sectional population sample of antibody levels data for Campylobacter and Pertussis for lambda 0.036/yr (low), 0.021/yr (medium) and 1.15/yr (high).

Usage

```
campylobacterSimLowData
```

Format

A data frame with 500 observations on the following 2 to 4 variables:

Age

IgG

IgM

IgA

Examples

```
# Show first rows of the data
head(campylobacterSimLowData)
```

```
# Summarize the data
summary(campylobacterSimLowData)
```

`campylobacterSSIParams1`*Campylobacter SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 1*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type

Usage`campylobacterSSIParams1`**Format**

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 4000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterSSIParams1
lapply(campylobacterSSIParams1, head)
```

`campylobacterSSIParams2`*Campylobacter SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 2*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type

Usage`campylobacterSSIParams2`**Format**

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterSSIParams2
lapply(campylobacterSSIParams2, head)
```

```
campylobacterSSIParams4
```

Campylobacter SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 4

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
campylobacterSSIParams4
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in campylobacterSSIParams4
lapply(campylobacterSSIParams4, head)
```

```
estimateSeroIncidence Estimate SeroIncidence
```

Description

Function to estimate seroincidences based on cross-section serology data and longitudinal response model.

Usage

```
estimateSeroIncidence(data, antibodies, strata = "", params, censorLimits,
  par0, start = -6, numCores = 1L)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Data frame with cross-sectional serology data per antibody and age, and additional columns to identify possible strata.
<code>antibodies</code>	Character vector with one or more antibody names. Values must match data.
<code>strata</code>	Character vector of strata. Values must match with data. Default = "".
<code>params</code>	List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.
<code>sensorLimits</code>	List of cutoffs for one or more named antibody types (corresponding to data).
<code>par0</code>	List of parameters for the (lognormal) distribution of antibody concentrations for true seronegatives (i.e. those who never seroconverted), by named antibody type (corresponding to data).
<code>start</code>	A starting value for $\log(\lambda)$. Value of -6 corresponds roughly to 1 day ($\log(1/365.25)$), -4 corresponds roughly to 1 week ($\log(7 / 365.25)$). Default = -6.
<code>numCores</code>	Number of processor cores to use for calculations when computing by strata. If set to more than 1 and package parallel is available, then the computations are executed in parallel. Default = 1L.

Value

A set of lambda estimates for each strata.

Examples

```
## Not run:
estimateSeroincidence(data = csData,
                      antibodies = c("IgG", "IgM", "IgA"),
                      strata = "",
                      params = campylobacterDelftParams4,
                      sensorLimits = cutOffs,
                      par0 = baseLn,
                      start = -4)

estimateSeroincidence(data = csData,
                      antibodies = c("IgG", "IgM", "IgA"),
                      strata = "",
                      params = campylobacterDelftParams4,
                      sensorLimits = cutOffs,
                      par0 = baseLn,
                      start = -4,
                      numCores = parallel::detectCores())

## End(Not run)
```

getAdditionalData	<i>Get Additional Data</i>
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Description

Retrieves additional data from internet. This can be any file type, but the purpose of this function is to download data such as longitudinal response parameters from an online repository.

Usage

```
getAdditionalData(fileName,  
  repoURL = "http://ecdc.europa.eu/sites/portal/files/documents",  
  savePath = NULL)
```

Arguments

fileName	Name of the file to download. Required.
repoURL	Web address of the remote repository of files to download from. Required. Default = "http://ecdc.europa.eu/sites/portal/files/documents"
savePath	Folder to save the downloaded and unzipped (if needed) file. File is saved only if this argument is not NULL. Optional. Default = NULL.

Value

Data object

Examples

```
## Not run:  
getAdditionalData(fileName = "coxiellaIFAParams4.zip")  
getAdditionalData(fileName = "yersiniaSSIPParams4.zip")  
getAdditionalData(fileName = "coxiellaIFAParams4.zip", savePath = getwd())  
getAdditionalData(fileName = "yersiniaSSIPParams4.zip", savePath = getwd())  
  
## End(Not run)
```

pertussisIgGPTParams1 *Pertussis IgG-PT Response Parameters Data for Model 1*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
pertussisIgGPTParams1
```

Format

A dataframe IgG containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in pertussisIgGPTParams1  
lapply(pertussisIgGPTParams1, head)
```

pertussisIgGPTParams2 *Pertussis IgG-PT Response Parameters Data for Model 2*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
pertussisIgGPTParams2
```

Format

A dataframe IgG containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in pertussisIgGPTParams2  
lapply(pertussisIgGPTParams2, head)
```

pertussisIgGPTParams3 *Pertussis IgG-PT Response Parameters Data for Model 3*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
pertussisIgGPTParams3
```

Format

A dataframe IgG containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in pertussisIgGPTParams3
lapply(pertussisIgGPTParams3, head)
```

pertussisIgGPTParams4 *Pertussis IgG-PT Response Parameters Data for Model 4*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
pertussisIgGPTParams4
```

Format

A dataframe IgG containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in pertussisIgGPTParams4
lapply(pertussisIgGPTParams4, head)
```

print.seroincidence *Print Method for Seroincidence Object*

Description

Custom `print` function to show output of the seroincidence calculator `estimateSeroincidence`.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'seroincidence'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x A list containing output of function `estimateSeroincidence`.
... Additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# estimate seroincidence  
seroincidence <- estimateSeroincidence(...)  
  
# print the seroincidence object to the console  
print(seroincidence)  
  
# or simply type (appropriate print method will be invoked automatically)  
seroincidence  
  
## End(Not run)
```

print.summary.seroincidence *Print Method for Seroincidence Summary Object*

Description

Custom `print` function to show output of the seroincidence summary `summary.seroincidence`.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.seroincidence'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x A list containing output of function `summary.seroincidence`.
... Additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# estimate seroincidence  
seroincidence <- estimateSeroincidence(...)  
  
# calculate summary statistics for the seroincidence object  
seroincidenceSummary <- summary(seroincidence)  
  
# print the summary of seroincidence object to the console  
print(seroincidenceSummary)  
  
# or simply type (appropriate print method will be invoked automatically)  
seroincidenceSummary  
  
## End(Not run)
```

salmonellaSSIParams1 *Salmonella SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 1*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
salmonellaSSIParams1
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in salmonellaSSIParams1  
lapply(salmonellaSSIParams1, head)
```

salmonellaSSIParams2 *Salmonella SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 2*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
salmonellaSSIParams2
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in salmonellaSSIParams2
lapply(salmonellaSSIParams2, head)
```

salmonellaSSIParams4 *Salmonella SSI Response Parameters Data for Model 4*

Description

List of data frames of all longitudinal parameters. Each data frame contains Monte Carlo samples for each antibody type.

Usage

```
salmonellaSSIParams4
```

Format

A list of three dataframes:

IgA A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgA antibody.

IgM A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgM antibody.

IgG A dataframe containing 3000 rows with 7 parameters for IgG antibody.

Examples

```
# Show first rows of every dataframe contained in salmonellaSSIPParams4
lapply(salmonellaSSIPParams4, head)
```

seroincidence

Estimating Infection Rates from Serological Data

Description

Translates antibody levels measured in a (cross-sectional) population sample into an estimate of the frequency with which seroconversions (infections) occur in the sampled population.

Details

For detailed documentation type the following in the R console:

```
vignette("installation", package = "seroincidence")
vignette("tutorial", package = "seroincidence")
vignette("methodology", package = "seroincidence")
```

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summary.seroincidence *Summary Method for Seroincidence Object*

Description

Calculate seroincidence from output of the seroincidence calculator [estimateSeroincidence](#).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'seroincidence'
summary(object, ..., quantiles = c(0.025, 0.975),
        showDeviance = TRUE, showConvergence = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object	A dataframe containing output of function estimateSeroincidence .
...	Additional arguments affecting the summary produced.
quantiles	A vector of length 2 specifying quantiles for lower (first element) and upper (second element) bounds of lambda. Default = c(0.025, 0.975).
showDeviance	Logical flag (FALSE/TRUE) for reporting deviance (-2*log(likelihood) at estimated seroincidence. Default = TRUE.
showConvergence	Logical flag (FALSE/TRUE) for reporting convergence (see help for optim for details). Default = TRUE.

Value

A list with the following items:

Results Dataframe with maximum likelihood estimate of lambda (the seroincidence) (column Lambda) and corresponding lower (Lambda.lwr) and upper (Lambda.upr) bounds. Optionally Deviance (Negative log likelihood (NLL) at estimated (maximum likelihood) lambda) and Convergence (Convergence indicator returned by [optim](#). Value of 0 indicates convergence) columns are included.

Antibodies Character vector with names of input antibodies used in [estimateSeroincidence](#).

Strata Character with names of strata used in [estimateSeroincidence](#).

CensorLimits List of cutoffs for each of the antibodies used in [estimateSeroincidence](#).

Examples

```
## Not run:
# estimate seroincidence
seroincidence <- estimateSeroincidence(...)

# calculate summary statistics for the seroincidence object
```



```
seroincidenceSummary <- summary(seroincidence)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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