

# Package ‘CaMutQC’

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Cancer Somatic Mutations

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calTMB	<i>calTMB</i>
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## Description

Calculate Tumor Mutational Burden (TMB) in specific regions.

## Usage

```
calTMB(
  maf,
  bedFile = NULL,
  bedHeader = FALSE,
  assay = "MSK-v3",
  genelist = NULL,
  mutType = "nonsynonymous",
  bedFilter = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
bedFile	A file in bed format that contains region information. Default: NULL.
bedHeader	Whether the input bed file has a header or not. Default: FALSE.
assay	Methodology and assay will be applied as a reference, including 'MSK-v3', 'MSK-v2', 'MSK-v1', 'FoundationOne', 'Pan-Cancer Panel' and 'Customized'. Default: 'MSK-v3'.
genelist	A vector of panel gene list, only useful when assay is set to 'Customized'.

mutType	A group of variant classifications that will be kept, only useful when assay is set to 'Pan-Cancer Panel' or 'Customized', including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous', and 'all' Default: 'nonsynonymous'.
bedFilter	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: TRUE.

**Value**

A TMB value.

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata", "WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf",
package="CaMutQC"))
TMB_value <- calTMB(maf, bedFile=system.file("extdata/bed/panel_hg38",
"Pan-cancer-hg38.rds", package="CaMutQC"), assay = "Customized")
```

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mutFilterAdj	<i>mutFilterAdj</i>
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**Description**

Filter SNVs with adjacent indels

**Usage**

```
mutFilterAdj(maf, maxIndelLen = 50, minInterval = 10)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
maxIndelLen	Maximum length of indel accepted to be included. Default: 50
minInterval	Minimum length of interval between an SNV and an indel accepted to be included. Default: 10

**Value**

An MAF data frame after filtration for adjacent variants.

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
mafF <- mutFilterAdj(maf)
```

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`mutFilterCan`*mutFilterCan*

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## Description

Apply common filtering strategies on a MAF data frame for different cancer types.

## Usage

```
mutFilterCan(  
  maf,  
  cancerType,  
  PONfile = NULL,  
  PONformat = "vcf",  
  panel = "Customized",  
  tumorDP = 0,  
  normalDP = 0,  
  tumorAD = 0,  
  normalAD = Inf,  
  VAF = 0,  
  VAFratio = 0,  
  dbsnpCutoff = 0,  
  nonCutoff = 0,  
  SBmethod = "SOR",  
  SBscore = Inf,  
  maxIndelLen = Inf,  
  minInterval = 0,  
  tagFILTER = NULL,  
  dbVAF = 0.01,  
  ExAC = FALSE,  
  Genomesprojects1000 = FALSE,  
  ESP6500 = FALSE,  
  gnomAD = FALSE,  
  dbSNP = FALSE,  
  keepCOSMIC = FALSE,  
  keepType = "all",  
  bedFile = NULL,  
  bedFilter = FALSE,  
  bedHeader = FALSE,  
  mutFilter = FALSE,  
  selectCols = FALSE,  
  report = TRUE,  
  reportFile = "FilterReport.html",  
  reportDir = "./",  
  TMB = FALSE,  
  progressBar = TRUE,  
  codelog = FALSE,  
  codelogFile = "mutFilterCan.log",  
  verbose = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame.
cancerType	Type of cancer whose filtering parameters need to be referred to. Options are: "COADREAD", "BRCA", "LIHC", "LAML", "LCML", "UCEC", "UCS", "BLCA", "KIRC", "KIRP" and "STAD".
PONfile	Panel-of-Normals files, which can be either obtained through GATK ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-</a> ) or generated by users. Should have at least four columns: CHROM, POS, REF, ALT. Default: NULL.
PONformat	The format of PON file, either "vcf" or "txt". Default: "vcf"
panel	The sequencing panel applied on the dataset. Parameters for <code>mutFilterQual</code> function are set differently for different panels. Default: "Customized". Options: "MSKCC", "WES".
tumorDP	Threshold of tumor total depth. Default: 0.
normalDP	Threshold of normal total depth. Default: 0.
tumorAD	Threshold of tumor alternative allele depth. Default:0.
normalAD	Threshold of normal alternative allele depth. Default: Inf.
VAF	Threshold of VAF value. Default: 0.
VAFratio	Threshold of VAF ratio (tVAF/nVAF). Default: 0.
dbsnpcutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for dbSNP variants. Default: 0.
nonCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for non-dbSNP variants. Default: 0.
SBmethod	Method will be used to detect strand bias, including 'SOR' and 'Fisher'. Default: 'SOR'. SOR: StrandOddsRatio ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111-StrandOddsRatio">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111-StrandOddsRatio</a> ).
SBscore	Cutoff strand bias score used to filter variants. Default: 0.
maxIndelLen	Maximum length of indel accepted to be included. Default: Inf.
minInterval	Maximum length of interval between an SNV and an indel accepted to be included. Default: 0.
tagFILTER	Variants with specific tag in the FILTER column will be kept, Default: NULL.
dbVAF	Threshold of VAF of certain population for variants in database. Default: 0.
ExAC	Whether to filter variants listed in ExAC with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: FALSE
Genomesprojects1000	Whether to filter variants listed in Genomesprojects1000 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: FALSE.
ESP6500	Whether to filter variants listed in ESP6500 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: FALSE.
gnomAD	Whether to filter variants listed in gnomAD with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: FALSE.
dbSNP	Whether to filter variants listed in dbSNP. Default: FALSE.
keepCOSMIC	Whether to keep variants in COSMIC even they have are present in germline database. Default: FALSE.
keepType	A group of variant classifications will be kept, including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous' and 'all'. Default: 'all'.
bedFile	A file in bed format that contains region information. Default: NULL

<code>bedFilter</code>	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: FALSE
<code>bedHeader</code>	Whether the input bed file has a header or not. Default: FALSE.
<code>mutFilter</code>	Whether to directly return a filtered MAF data frame. If FALSE, a simulation filtration process will be run, and the original MAF data frame with tags in CaTag column, and a filter report will be returned. If TRUE, a filtered MAF data frame and a filter report will be generated. Default: FALSE
<code>selectCols</code>	Columns will be contained in the filtered data frame. By default (FALSE), the first 13 columns and 'Tumor_Sample_Barcode' column. Or a vector contains column names will be kept.
<code>report</code>	Whether to generate report automatically. Default: TRUE.
<code>reportFile</code>	File name of the report. Default: 'FilterReport.html'
<code>reportDir</code>	Path to the output report file. Default: './'
<code>TMB</code>	Whether to calculate TMB. Default: FALSE.
<code>progressbar</code>	Whether to show progress bar when running this function Default: TRUE
<code>codelog</code>	If TRUE, your code, along with the parameters you set, will be export in a log file. It will be convenient for users to repeat experiments. Default: FALSE
<code>codelogFile</code>	Where to store the codelog, only useful when codelog is set to TRUE. Default: "mutFilterCan.log"
<code>verbose</code>	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

**Value**

An MAF data frame after common strategy filtration for a cancer type.

A filter report in HTML format

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterCan(maf, cancerType='BRCA',
PONfile=system.file("extdata", "PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"),
PONformat="txt", TMB=FALSE, report=FALSE)
```

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`mutFilterCom`

*mutFilterCom*

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**Description**

Apply common filtering strategies on a MAF data frame.

**Usage**

```

mutFilterCom(
  maf,
  PONfile = NULL,
  PONformat = "vcf",
  panel = "Customized",
  tumorDP = 20,
  normalDP = 10,
  tumorAD = 5,
  normalAD = Inf,
  VAF = 0.05,
  VAFratio = 0,
  dbsnpCutoff = 19,
  nonCutoff = 8,
  SBmethod = "SOR",
  SBscore = 3,
  maxIndelLen = 50,
  minInterval = 10,
  tagFILTER = "PASS",
  dbVAF = 0.01,
  ExAC = TRUE,
  Genomesprojects1000 = TRUE,
  gnomAD = TRUE,
  dbSNP = FALSE,
  keepCOSMIC = TRUE,
  keepType = "exonic",
  bedFile = NULL,
  bedHeader = FALSE,
  bedFilter = FALSE,
  mutFilter = FALSE,
  ESP6500 = TRUE,
  selectCols = TRUE,
  report = TRUE,
  assay = "MSK-v3",
  genelist = NULL,
  mutType = "nonsynonymous",
  reportFile = "FilterReport.html",
  reportDir = "./",
  TMB = TRUE,
  cancerType = NULL,
  reference = NULL,
  progressBar = TRUE,
  codelog = FALSE,
  codelogFile = "mutFilterCom.log",
  verbose = TRUE
)

```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame.
PONfile	Panel-of-Normals files, which can be either obtained through GATK ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-</a> ) or generated by users. Should

	have at least four columns: CHROM, POS, REF, ALT Defalut: NULL.
PONformat	The format of PON file, either "vcf" or "txt". Default: "vcf"
panel	The sequencing panel applied on the dataset. Parameters for <code>mutFilterQual</code> function are set differently for different panels. Default: "Customized". Options: "MSKCC", "WES".
tumorDP	Threshold of tumor total depth. Default: 20
normalDP	Threshold of normal total depth. Default: 10
tumorAD	Threshold of tumor alternative allele depth. Default: 5
normalAD	Threshold of normal alternative allele depth. Default: Inf
VAF	Threshold of VAF value. Default: 0.05
VAFratio	Threshold of VAF ratio (tVAF/nVAF). Default: 0.
dbsnpCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for dbSNP variants. Default: 19.
nonCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for non-dbSNP variants. Default: 8.
SBmethod	Method will be used to detect strand bias, including 'SOR' and 'Fisher'. Default: 'SOR'. SOR: StrandOddsRatio ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111</a> StrandOddsRatio)
SBscore	Cutoff strand bias score used to filter variants. Default: 3.
maxIndelLen	Maximum length of indel accepted to be included. Default: 50.
minInterval	Maximum length of interval between an SNV and an indel accepted to be included. Default: 10.
tagFILTER	Variants with specific tag in the FILTER column will be kept, Default: 'PASS'.
dbVAF	Threshold of VAF value for databases. Default: 0.01.
ExAC	Whether to filter variants listed in ExAC with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
Genomesprojects1000	Whether to filter variants listed in Genomesprojects1000 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
gnomAD	Whether to filter variants listed in gnomAD with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
dbSNP	Whether to filter variants listed in dbSNP. Default: FALSE.
keepCOSMIC	Whether to keep variants in COSMIC even they have are present in germline database. Default: TRUE.
keepType	A group of variant classifications will be kept, including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous' and 'all'. Default: 'exonic'.
bedFile	A file in bed format that contains region information. Default: NULL.
bedHeader	Whether the input bed file has a header or not. Default: FALSE.
bedFilter	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: FALSE.
mutFilter	Whether to directly return a filtered MAF data frame. If FALSE, a simulation filtration process will be run, and the original MAF data frame with tags in CaTag column, and a filter report will be returned. If TRUE, a filtered MAF data frame and a filter report will be generated. Default: FALSE.
ESP6500	Whether to filter variants listed in ESP6500 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.

selectCols	Columns will be contained in the filtered data frame. By default (TRUE), the first 13 columns and 'Tumor_Sample_Barcode' column. Or a vector contains column names will be kept.
report	Whether to generate report automatically. Default: TRUE
assay	Methodology and assay will be applied as a reference, including 'MSK-v3', 'MSK-v2', 'MSK-v1', 'FoundationOne', 'Pan-Cancer Panel' and 'Customized'. Default: 'MSK-v3'.
genelist	A vector of panel gene list, only useful when assay is set to 'Customized'.
mutType	A group of variant classifications that will be kept in TMB calculation, only useful when assay is set to 'Pan-Cancer Panel' or 'Customized', including 'exonic' and 'nonsynonymous'. Default: 'nonsynonymous'.
reportFile	File name of the report. Default: 'FilterReport.html'
reportDir	Path to the output report file. Default: './'.
TMB	Whether to calculate TMB. Default: TRUE. Note: CaMutQC uses unfiltered maf to calculate TMB value.
cancerType	Type of cancer whose filtering parameters need to be referred to. Options are: "COADREAD", "BRCA", "LIHC", "LAML", "LCML", "UCEC", "UCS", "BLCA", "KIRC" and "KIRP"
reference	A specific study whose filtering strategies need to be referred to. Format: "Last_name_of_the_first_author-Journal-Year-Cancer_type" Options are: "Haralddottir_et_al-Gastroenterology-2014-UCEC", "Cherniack_et_al-Cancer_Cell-2017-UCS", "Mason_et_al-Leukemia-2015-LCML", "Gerlinger_et_al-Engl_J_Med-2012-KIRC" "Zhu_et_al-Nat_Communications-2020-KIRP"
progressbar	Whether to show progress bar when running this function Default: TRUE
codelog	If TRUE, your code, along with the parameters you set, will be export in a log file. It will be convenient for users to repeat experiments. Default: FALSE
codelogFile	Where to store the codelog, only useful when codelog is set to TRUE. Default: "mutFilterCom.log"
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

### Value

An MAF data frame after common strategy filtration

A filter report in HTML format

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterCom(maf,
PONfile=system.file("extdata", "PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"),
TMB=FALSE, report=FALSE, PONformat="txt", verbose=FALSE)
```

mutFilterDB

*mutFilterDB***Description**

Filter variants in germline database.

**Usage**

```
mutFilterDB(
  maf,
  dbVAF = 0.01,
  ExAC = TRUE,
  Genomesprojects1000 = TRUE,
  ESP6500 = TRUE,
  gnomAD = TRUE,
  dbSNP = FALSE,
  keepCOSMIC = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
dbVAF	Threshold of VAF value for database annotations. Default: 0.01.
ExAC	Whether to filter variants listed in ExAC with VAF higher than cutoff (set in dbVAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
Genomesprojects1000	Whether to filter variants listed in Genomesprojects1000 with VAF higher than cutoff (set in dbVAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
ESP6500	Whether to filter variants listed in ESP6500 with VAF higher than cutoff (set in dbVAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
gnomAD	Whether to filter variants listed in gnomAD with VAF higher than cutoff (set in dbVAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
dbSNP	Whether to filter variants listed in dbSNP. Default: FALSE.
keepCOSMIC	Whether to keep variants in COSMIC even they are present in germline database. Default: TRUE.
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

**Value**

An MAF data frame after filtration for database and clinical significance

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
  "WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterDB(maf)
```

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mutFilterNormalDP	<i>mutFilterNormalDP</i>
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### Description

Filter dbSNP/non-dbSNP variants based on their normal depth. Variants in dbSNP database should have normal depth  $\geq 19$ , while non-dbSNP variants should have normal depth  $\geq 8$  to avoid being filtered.

### Usage

```
mutFilterNormalDP(maf, dbsnpCutoff = 19, nonCutoff = 8, verbose = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
dbsnpCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for dbSNP variants. Default: 19.
nonCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for non-dbSNP variants. Default: 8.
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

### Value

An MAF data frame where some variants has N tag in CaTag column for Normal depth filtration.

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
  "WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterNormalDP(maf)
```

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mutFilterPON	<i>mutFilterPON</i>
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### Description

Filter variants based on Panel of Normals

### Usage

```
mutFilterPON(maf, PONfile = NULL, PONformat = "vcf", verbose = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
PONfile	Panel-of-Normals files, which can be either obtained through GATK ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-</a> ) or generated by users. Should have at least four columns: CHROM, POS, REF, ALT. Default: NULL.
PONformat	The format of PON file, either "vcf" or "txt". Default: "vcf"
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

**Value**

An MAF data frame where some variants have P tag in CaTag column for PON filtration.

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterPON(maf, PONfile=system.file("extdata",
"PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"), PONformat="txt")
```

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mutFilterQual	<i>mutFilterQual</i>
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**Description**

Filter variants in low sequencing quality or low confidence.

**Usage**

```
mutFilterQual(
  maf,
  panel = "Customized",
  tumorDP = 20,
  normalDP = 10,
  tumorAD = 5,
  normalAD = Inf,
  VAF = 0.05,
  VAFratio = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
panel	The sequencing panel applied on the dataset. Parameters for <a href="#">mutFilterQual</a> function are set differently for different panels. Default: "Customized". Options: "MSKCC", "WES".
tumorDP	Threshold of tumor total depth. Default: 20
normalDP	Threshold of normal total depth. Default: 10
tumorAD	Threshold of tumor alternative allele depth. Default: 5
normalAD	Threshold of normal alternative allele depth. Default: Inf
VAF	Threshold of VAF value. Default: 0.05
VAFratio	Threshold of VAF ratio (tVAF/nVAF). Default: 0

**Value**

An MAF data frame where some variants have Q tag in CaTag column for sequencing quality filtration

## Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",  
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))  
mafF <- mutFilterQual(maf)
```

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mutFilterRef

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## Description

Use the same filtering strategies that a specific study used, or top-rated strategies shared by users.

## Usage

```
mutFilterRef(  
  maf,  
  reference,  
  PONfile,  
  PONformat = "vcf",  
  tumorDP = 0,  
  normalDP = 0,  
  tumorAD = 0,  
  normalAD = Inf,  
  VAF = 0,  
  VAFratio = 0,  
  SBmethod = "SOR",  
  SBscore = Inf,  
  maxIndelLen = Inf,  
  minInterval = 0,  
  tagFILTER = NULL,  
  dbVAF = 0.01,  
  ExAC = FALSE,  
  Genomesprojects1000 = FALSE,  
  ESP6500 = FALSE,  
  gnomAD = FALSE,  
  dbSNP = FALSE,  
  keepCOSMIC = FALSE,  
  keepType = "all",  
  bedFile = NULL,  
  bedFilter = TRUE,  
  mutFilter = FALSE,  
  selectCols = FALSE,  
  report = TRUE,  
  reportFile = "FilterReport.html",  
  reportDir = "./",  
  TMB = FALSE,  
  progressBar = TRUE,  
  codelog = FALSE,  
  codelogFile = "mutFilterCom.log",  
  verbose = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame.
reference	A specific study whose filtering strategies need to be referred to. Format: "Last_name_of_the_first_author-Journal-Year-Cancer_type" Options are: "Haraldsdottir_et_al-Gastroenterology-2014-UCEC", "Cherniack_et_al-Cancer_Cell-2017-UCS", "Mason_et_al-Leukemia-2015-LCML", "Gerlinger_et_al-Engl_J_Med-2012-KIRC", "Zhu_et_al-Nat_Communications-2020-KIRP"
PONfile	Panel-of-Normals files, which can be either obtained through GATK ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-</a> ) or generated by users. Should have at least four columns: CHROM, POS, REF, ALT
PONformat	The format of PON file, either "vcf" or "txt". Default: "vcf"
tumorDP	Threshold of tumor total depth. Default: 0
normalDP	Threshold of normal total depth. Default: 0
tumorAD	Threshold of tumor alternative allele depth. Default: 0
normalAD	Threshold of normal alternative allele depth. Default: Inf
VAF	Threshold of VAF value. Default: 0
VAFratio	Threshold of VAF ratio (tVAF/nVAF). Default: 0
SBmethod	Method will be used to detect strand bias, including 'SOR' and 'Fisher'. Default: 'SOR'. SOR: StrandOddsRatio ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111-StrandOddsRatio">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111-StrandOddsRatio</a> )
SBscore	Cutoff strand bias score used to filter variants. Default: 3
maxIndelLen	Maximum length of indel accepted to be included. Default: Inf
minInterval	Maximum length of interval between an SNV and an indel accepted to be included. Default: 0
tagFILTER	Variants with specific tag in the FILTER column will be kept, Default: NULL
dbVAF	Threshold of VAF of certain population for variants in database. Default: 0.01
ExAC	Whether to filter variants listed in ExAC with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
Genomesprojects1000	Whether to filter variants listed in Genomesprojects1000 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
ESP6500	Whether to filter variants listed in ESP6500 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
gnomAD	Whether to filter variants listed in gnomAD with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
dbSNP	Whether to filter variants listed in dbSNP. Default: FALSE.
keepCOSMIC	Whether to keep variants in COSMIC even they have are present in germline database. Default: FALSE.
keepType	A group of variant classifications will be kept, including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous' and 'all'. Default: 'all'.
bedFile	A file in bed format that contains region information. Default: NULL.
bedFilter	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: TRUE

mutFilter	Whether to directly return a filtered MAF data frame. If FALSE, a simulation filtration process will be run, and the original MAF data frame with tags in CaTag column, and a filter report will be returned. If TRUE, a filtered MAF data frame and a filter report will be generated. Default: FALSE
selectCols	Columns will be contained in the filtered data frame. By default (TRUE), the first 13 columns and 'Tumor_Sample_Barcode' column. Or a vector contains column names will be kept.
report	Whether to generate report automatically. Default: TRUE
reportFile	File name of the report. Default: 'FilterReport.html'
reportDir	Path to the output report file. Default: './'
TMB	Whether to calculate TMB. Default: TRUE
progressbar	Whether to show progress bar when running this function Default: TRUE
codelog	If TRUE, your code, along with the parameters you set, will be export in a log file. It will be convenient for users to repeat experiments. Default: FALSE
codelogFile	Where to store the codelog, only useful when codelog is set to TRUE. Default: "mutFilterCom.log"
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

### Value

An MAF data frame after applied filtering strategies in another study

A filter report in HTML format

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
mafR <- mutFilterRef(maf, reference="Zhu_et_al-Nat_Comm-2020-KIRP",
PONfile=system.file("extdata", "PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"),
PONformat="txt", TMB=FALSE, verbose=FALSE, report=FALSE)
```

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mutFilterReg

*mutFilterReg*

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### Description

Filter variants not in specific regions.

### Usage

```
mutFilterReg(
  maf,
  bedFile = NULL,
  bedHeader = FALSE,
  bedFilter = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <code>vcfToMAF</code> function.
bedFile	A bed file that contains region information. Default: NULL
bedHeader	Whether the input bed file has a header or not. Default: FALSE.
bedFilter	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: FALSE
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

**Value**

An MAF data frame where some variants have R tag in CaTag column for region filtration.

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata", "WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf",
package="CaMutQC"))
mafF <- mutFilterReg(maf, bedFile=system.file("extdata/bed/panel_hg38",
"Pan-cancer-hg38.rds", package="CaMutQC"), bedFilter = FALSE)
```

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mutFilterSB

*mutFilterSB*


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**Description**

Filter variants based on strand bias.

**Usage**

```
mutFilterSB(maf, method = "SOR", SBscore = 3)
```

**Arguments**

maf	An MAF object, generated by <code>vcfToMAF</code> function.
method	Method will be used to detect strand bias, including 'SOR' and 'Fisher'. Default: 'SOR'. SOR: StrandOddsRatio ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111</a> ) Fisher's Exat Test: Switch to Phred socre ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035532152-Fisher-s-Exact-Test">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035532152-Fisher-s-Exact-Test</a> )
SBscore	Cutoff strand bias score used to filter variants. Default: 3

**Value**

An MAF data frame where some variants have S tag in CaTag column for strand bias filtration

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
mafF <- mutFilterSB(maf)
```

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mutFilterTech	<i>mutFilterTech</i>
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## Description

Filter potential artifacts produced through technical issue, including filtration for sequencing quality, strand bias, adjacent indel tag, normal depth, panel of normal (PON) and FILTER field.

## Usage

```
mutFilterTech(
  maf,
  PONfile = NULL,
  PONformat = "vcf",
  panel = "Customized",
  tumorDP = 20,
  normalDP = 10,
  tumorAD = 5,
  normalAD = Inf,
  VAF = 0.05,
  VAFratio = 0,
  dbsnpCutoff = 19,
  nonCutoff = 8,
  SBmethod = "SOR",
  SBscore = 3,
  maxIndelLen = 50,
  minInterval = 10,
  tagFILTER = "PASS",
  progressbar = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <code>vcfToMAF</code> function.
PONfile	Panel-of-Normals files, which can be either obtained through GATK ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360035890631-Panel-of-Normals-PON-</a> ) or generated by users. Should have at least four columns: CHROM, POS, REF, ALT Defalut: NULL.
PONformat	The format of PON file, either "vcf" or "txt". Default: "vcf"
panel	The sequencing panel applied on the dataset. Parameters for <code>mutFilterQual</code> function are set differently for different panels. Default: "Customized". Options: "MSKCC", "WES".
tumorDP	Threshold of tumor total depth. Default: 20
normalDP	Threshold of normal total depth. Default: 10
tumorAD	Threshold of tumor alternative allele depth. Default: 5
normalAD	Threshold of normal alternative allele depth. Default: Inf
VAF	Threshold of VAF value. Default: 0.05
VAFratio	Threshold of VAF ratio (tVAF/nVAF). Default: 0

dbSNPCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for dbSNP variants. Default: 19.
nonCutoff	Cutoff of normal depth for non-dbSNP variants. Default: 8.
SBmethod	Method will be used to detect strand bias, including 'SOR' and 'Fisher'. Default: 'SOR'. SOR: StrandOddsRatio ( <a href="https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111">https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us/articles/360041849111</a> StrandOddsRatio)
SBscore	Cutoff strand bias score used to filter variants. Default: 3
maxIndelLen	Maximum length of indel accepted to be included. Default: 50
minInterval	Minimum length of interval between an SNV and an indel accepted to be included. Default: 10
tagFILTER	Variants with specific tag in FILTER column will be kept, set to NULL if you want to skip this filter. Default: 'PASS'
progressbar	Whether to show progress bar when running this function Default: TRUE
verbose	Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

### Value

An MAF data frame after filtration for technical issue

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterTech(maf, PONfile=system.file("extdata",
"PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"), PONformat="txt")
```

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mutFilterType	<i>mutFilterType</i>
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### Description

Filter variants based on variant types

### Usage

```
mutFilterType(maf, keepType = "exonic")
```

### Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
keepType	A group of variant classifications will be kept, including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous' and 'all'. Default: 'exonic'.

### Value

An MAF data frame where some variants has T tag in CaTag column for variant type filtration

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maff <- mutFilterType(maf)
```

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mutSelection	<i>mutSelection</i>
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## Description

Select candidate variants for cancer research.

## Usage

```
mutSelection(
  maf,
  dbVAF = 0.01,
  ExAC = TRUE,
  Genomesprojects1000 = TRUE,
  ESP6500 = TRUE,
  gnomAD = TRUE,
  dbSNP = FALSE,
  keepCOSMIC = TRUE,
  keepType = "exonic",
  bedFile = NULL,
  bedHeader = FALSE,
  bedFilter = FALSE,
  progressbar = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
dbVAF	Threshold of VAF of certain population for variants in database. Default: 0.01
ExAC	Whether to filter variants listed in ExAC with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
Genomesprojects1000	Whether to filter variants listed in Genomesprojects1000 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
ESP6500	Whether to filter variants listed in ESP6500 with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
gnomAD	Whether to filter variants listed in gnomAD with VAF higher than cutoff(set in VAF parameter). Default: TRUE.
dbSNP	Whether to filter variants listed in dbSNP. Default: FALSE.
keepCOSMIC	Whether to keep variants in COSMIC even they have are present in germline database. Default: TRUE.
keepType	A group of variant classifications will be kept, including 'exonic', 'nonsynonymous' and 'all'. Default: 'exonic'.
bedFile	A file in bed format that contains region information. Default: NULL
bedHeader	Whether the input bed file has a header or not. Default: FALSE.
bedFilter	Whether to filter the information in bed file or not, which only leaves segments in Chr1-Ch22, ChrX and ChrY. Default: FALSE

progressbar Whether to show progress bar when running this function Default: TRUE  
 verbose Whether to generate message/notification during the filtration process. Default: TRUE.

### Value

An MAF data frame with variants after selection.

### Examples

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata",
"WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
mafF <- mutSelection(maf)
```

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processMut

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### Description

Takes union or intersection on multiple MAF data frame, and return 7 important columns.

### Usage

```
processMut(mafList, processMethod = "union")
```

### Arguments

mafList A list of MAF data frames after going through at least one CaMutQC filtration function, and the length of the list <= 3.  
 processMethod Methods for processing mutations, including "union" and "intersection". Default: "union".

### Value

A data frame includes mutations after taking union or intersection.

### Examples

```
maf_MuSE <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata/Multi-caller",
"WES_EA_T_1.MuSE.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maf_MuSE_f <- mutFilterCom(maf_MuSE, report=FALSE, TMB=FALSE,
PONfile=system.file("extdata", "PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"),
PONformat="txt")
maf_VarScan2 <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata/Multi-caller",
"WES_EA_T_1_varscan_filter_snp.vcf", package="CaMutQC"))
maf_VarScan2_f <- mutFilterCom(maf_VarScan2, report=FALSE, TMB=FALSE,
PONfile=system.file("extdata", "PON_test.txt", package="CaMutQC"),
PONformat="txt")
mafs <- list(maf_MuSE_f, maf_VarScan2_f)
maf_union <- processMut(mafs, processMethod="union")
```

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tomaftools	<i>tomaftools</i>
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## Description

Transform a CaMutQC maf object to a maftools maf object.

## Usage

```
tomaftools(
  maf,
  clinicalData = NULL,
  rmFlags = FALSE,
  removeDuplicatedVariants = TRUE,
  useAll = TRUE,
  gisticAllLesionsFile = NULL,
  gisticAmpGenesFile = NULL,
  gisticDelGenesFile = NULL,
  gisticScoresFile = NULL,
  cnLevel = "all",
  cnTable = NULL,
  isTCGA = FALSE,
  vc_nonSyn = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>maf</code>	An MAF data frame, generated by <code>vcfToMAF</code> function.
<code>clinicalData</code>	Clinical data associated with each # sample/Tumor_Sample_Barcode in MAF. Could be a text file or a data.frame. Default NULL. Inherited from maftools.
<code>rmFlags</code>	Default FALSE. Can be TRUE or an integer. If TRUE, removes all the top 20 FLAG genes. If integer, remove top n FLAG genes. Inherited from maftools.
<code>removeDuplicatedVariants</code>	removes repeated variants in a particular sample, mapped to multiple transcripts of same Gene. See Description. Default TRUE. Inherited from maftools.
<code>useAll</code>	logical. Whether to use all variants irrespective of values in Mutation_Status. Defaults to TRUE. If FALSE, only uses with values Somatic. Inherited from maftools.
<code>gisticAllLesionsFile</code>	All Lesions file generated by gistic. e.g; all_lesions.conf_XX.txt, where XX is the confidence level. Default NULL. Inherited from maftools.
<code>gisticAmpGenesFile</code>	Amplification Genes file generated by gistic. e.g; amp_genes.conf_XX.txt, where XX is the confidence level. Default NULL. Inherited from maftools.
<code>gisticDelGenesFile</code>	Deletion Genes file generated by gistic. e.g; del_genes.conf_XX.txt, where XX is the confidence level. Default NULL. Inherited from maftools.
<code>gisticScoresFile</code>	scores.gistic file generated by gistic. Default NULL Inherited from maftools.

cnLevel	level of CN changes to use. Can be 'all', 'deep' or 'shallow'. Default uses all i.e, genes with both 'shallow' or 'deep' CN changes. Inherited from maftools.
cnTable	Custom copynumber data if gistic results are not available. Input file or a data.frame should contain three columns in aforementioned order with gene name, Sample name and copy number status (either 'Amp' or 'Del'). Default NULL. Inherited from maftools.
isTCGA	Is input MAF file from TCGA source. If TRUE uses only first 12 characters from Tumor_Sample_Barcode. Inherited from maftools.
vc_nonSyn	NULL. Provide manual list of variant classifications to be considered as non-synonymous. Rest will be considered as silent variants. Default uses Variant Classifications with High/Moderate variant consequences. Inherited from maftools.
verbose	TRUE logical. Default to be talkative and prints summary. Inherited from maftools.

### Value

An maf object that can be recognized by maftools.

### Examples

```
maf_CaMutQC <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata/Multi-caller/",
package="CaMutQC"), multiVCF=TRUE)
maf_maftools <- tomaftools(maf_CaMutQC)
```

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toMesKit

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### Description

Transform a CaMutQC maf object to a MesKit maf object.

### Usage

```
toMesKit(
  maf,
  clinicalFile,
  ccfFile = NULL,
  nonSyn.vc = NULL,
  use.indel.ccf = FALSE,
  ccf.conf.level = 0.95
)
```

### Arguments

maf	An MAF data frame, generated by <a href="#">vcfToMAF</a> function.
clinicalFile	A clinical data file includes Tumor_Sample_Barcode, Tumor_ID, Patient_ID. Tumor_Sample_Label is optional.
ccfFile	A CCF file of somatic mutations. Default NULL.
nonSyn.vc	List of Variant classifications which are considered as non-silent. Default NULL.

`use.indel.ccf` Whether include indels in `ccfFile`. Default FALSE.

`ccf.conf.level` The confidence level of CCF to identify clonal or subclonal. Only works when "CCF\_std" or "CCF\_CI\_high" is provided in `ccfFile`. Default 0.95.

### Value

An maf object that can be recognized by MesKit.

### Examples

```
maf_CaMutQC <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata/Multi-caller/",
package="CaMutQC"), multiVCF=TRUE)
clin_file <- system.file("extdata", "clin.txt", package="CaMutQC")
maf_MesKit <- toMesKit(maf_CaMutQC, clinicalFile=clin_file)
```

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vcfToMAF

*vcfToMAF*


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### Description

Format transformation from VCF to MAF.

### Usage

```
vcfToMAF(
  vcfFile,
  multiVCF = FALSE,
  inputStrelka = FALSE,
  writeFile = FALSE,
  MAFfile = "MAF.maf",
  MAFdir = "./",
  tumorSampleName = "Extracted",
  normalSampleName = "Extracted",
  ncbiBuild = "Extracted",
  MAFcenter = ".",
  MAFstrand = "+",
  filterGene = FALSE,
  simplified = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>vcfFile</code>	Directory of a VCF file, or the path to several VCF files that is going to be transformed. Files should be in <code>.vcf</code> or <code>.vcf.gz</code> format.
<code>multiVCF</code>	Logical, whether the input is a path that leads to several VCFs that come from multi-region/sample/caller sequencing. Default: FALSE
<code>inputStrelka</code>	The type of variants ('INDEL' or 'SNV') in VCF file if it is from Strelka. Default: FALSE
<code>writeFile</code>	Whether to directly write MAF file to the disk. If FALSE, a MAF data frame will be returned. If TRUE, a MAF file will be saved. Default: FALSE.

MAFfile	File name of the exported MAF file, if writeFile is set as TRUE.
MAFdir	Directory of the exported MAF file, if writeFile is set as TRUE.
tumorSampleName	Name of the tumor sample(s) in the VCF file(s). If it is set as 'Extracted', tumorSampleName would be extracted automatically from the VCF file. Default: 'Extracted'.
normalSampleName	Name the normal sample in the VCF file. If it is set as 'Extracted', normalSampleName would be extracted automatically from the VCF file. Default: 'Extracted'.
ncbiBuild	The reference genome used for the alignment, which will be presented as value in 'NCBIbuild' column in MAF file. Default: 'GRCh38'.
MAFcenter	One or more genome sequencing center reporting the variant, which will be presented as value in 'Center' column in MAF. Default: '.'.
MAFstrand	Genomic strand of the reported allele, which will be presented as value in 'Strand' column in MAF file. Default: '+'.
filterGene	Logical. Whether to filter variants without Hugo Symbol. Default: FALSE
simplified	Logical. Whether to extract the first thirteen columns after converting to MAF file. Default: FALSE

**Value**

A detailed MAF data frame

**Examples**

```
maf <- vcfToMAF(system.file("extdata", "WES_EA_T_1_mutect2.vcf",
package="CaMutQC"))
```

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