

# Package ‘scafari’

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**Description** Scafari is a Shiny application designed for the analysis of single-cell DNA sequencing (scDNA-seq) data provided in .h5 file format. The analysis process is structured into the four key steps ``Sequencing'', ``Panel'', ``Variants'', and ``Explore Variants''. It supports various analyses and visualizations.

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annotateAmplicons	<i>Function:</i> <code>annotateAmplicons</code> This function takes a <code>SingleCellExperiment</code> object as input and annotates the stored amplicons.
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## Description

**Function:** `annotateAmplicons` This function takes a `SingleCellExperiment` object as input and annotates the stored amplicons.

## Usage

```
annotateAmplicons(sce, known.canon, shiny = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

<code>sce</code>	SingleCellExperiment object containing the single-cell data.
<code>known.canon</code>	Path to jnown canonicals (see vignette)
<code>shiny</code>	If TRUE messages are shown

## Value

A dataframe containing annotated amplicons.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with a 'counts' assay
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
  package = "scafari"
))

annotated <- annotateAmplicons(
  sce_filtered,
  system.file("extdata", "UCSC_hg19_knownCanonical_mock.txt",
  package = "scafari"
)
)
```

`annotateVariants`

*Function: `annotateVariants`* ————— This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object as input and performs variant annotation.

## Description

Function: `annotateVariants` ————— This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object as input and performs variant annotation.

## Usage

```
annotateVariants(sce, shiny = FALSE, max.var = 50)
```

## Arguments

<code>sce</code>	SingleCellExperiment object containing the single-cell data to be annotated.
<code>shiny</code>	A logical flag indicating whether the function is being run in a Shiny application context. Default is FALSE.
<code>max.var</code>	Maximum number of variants to annotate. By default this is 50 to avoid long runtime.

## Value

The function returns an annotated SingleCellExperiment object.

## References

<https://missionbio.github.io/mosaic/>, <https://github.com/rachelgriffard/optima>

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp()
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
  package = "scafari"
))

sce <- annotateVariants(sce_filtered, shiny = FALSE)
```

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checkH5

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*Check h5*

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**Description**

Check h5

**Usage**

`checkH5(h5_file)`

**Arguments**

`h5_file` and path to the h5 file

**Value**

boolean if h5 is valid

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check\_MBAPI

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*Check if MissionBio is accessible*

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**Description**

Check if MissionBio is accessible

**Usage**

`check_MBAPI()`

**Value**

boolean if MissionBio API is currently available

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clusterVariantSelection

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*Function: clusterVariantSelection This function takes selected variants and performs clustering on them.*

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**Description**

Function: `clusterVariantSelection` This function takes selected variants and performs clustering on them.

**Usage**

`clusterVariantSelection(sce, variants.of.interest, n.clust)`

**Arguments**

<code>sce</code>	A SingleCellExperiment object containing the single-cell data on which clustering will be performed.
<code>variants.of.interest</code>	A vector or list specifying the variants of interest to be selected for clustering.
<code>n.clust</code>	An integer specifying the number of clusters.

**Value**

A list with k-means results and a ggplot-object.

**Examples**

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp()
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
  package = "scafari"
))
clusterplot <- clusterVariantSelection(
  sce = sce_filtered,
  variants.of.interest = c(
    "FLT3:chr13:28610183:A/G",
    "KIT:chr4:55599436:T/C",
    "TP53:chr17:7577427:G/A",
    "TET2:chr4:106158216:G/A"
  ),
  n.clust = 4
)
```

**filterVariants**

*Function: filterVariants* ————— This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object as input and performs variant filtering

**Description**

Function: filterVariants ————— This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object as input and performs variant filtering

**Usage**

```
filterVariants(
  depth.threshold = numeric(),
  genotype.quality.threshold = numeric(),
  vaf.ref = numeric(),
  vaf.het = numeric(),
  vaf.hom = numeric(),
  min.cell = numeric(),
  min.mut.cell = numeric(),
  se.var,
  sce,
  shiny = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>depth.threshold</code>	A numeric value specifying the minimum read depth required.
<code>genotype.quality.threshold</code>	A numeric value specifying the minimum genotype quality score.
<code>vaf.ref</code>	A numeric value specifying the variant allele frequency threshold for wild-type alleles.
<code>vaf.het</code>	A numeric value specifying the variant allele frequency threshold for heterozygous variants.
<code>vaf.hom</code>	A numeric value specifying the variant allele frequency threshold for homozygous variants.
<code>min.cell</code>	A numeric value indicating the minimum number of cells with a genotype other than "missing".
<code>min.mut.cell</code>	A numeric value indicating the minimum number of mutated (genotype either "homozygous" or "heterozygous") cells.
<code>se.var</code>	The SummarizedExperiment object containing variant data which will be filtered.
<code>sce</code>	SingleCellExperiment object containing the single-cell data TODO.
<code>shiny</code>	A logical flag indicating whether the function is being run in a Shiny application context. Default is FALSE.

## Value

A list containing the following elements:

- `vaf.matrix.filtered`** Variant allele frequencies after filtering.
- `genotype.matrix.filtered`** Genotype information after filtering.
- `read.counts.df.norm.filtered`** Normalized read counts for variants retained after filtering.
- `variant.ids.filtered`** A vector of the variant IDs that were retained after filtering.
- `genoqual.matrix.filtered`** Genotype qualities for variants retained after filtering.
- `cells.keep`** A vector of cell identifiers for those cells retained after filtering.

## References

<https://missionbio.github.io/mosaic/>, <https://github.com/rachelgriffard/optima>

## Examples

```
library(SummarizedExperiment)
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
se.var <- h5$se_var
sce <- normalizeReadCounts(sce = sce)
filteres <- filterVariants(
  depth.threshold = 10,
  genotype.quality.threshold = 30,
  vaf.ref = 5,
  vaf.het = 35,
  vaf.hom = 95,
```

```

min.cell = 50,
min.mut.cell = 1,
se.var = se.var,
sce = sce,
shiny = FALSE
)
se.f <- SummarizedExperiment(
assays = list(
  VAF = t(filteres$vaf.matrix.filtered),
  Genotype = t(filteres$genotype.matrix.filtered),
  Genoqual = t(filteres$genoqual.matrix.filtered)
),
rowData = filteres$variant.ids.filtered,
colData = filteres$cells.keep
)

# Filter out cells in sce object
# Find the indices of the columns to keep
indices_to_keep <- match(filteres$cells.keep,
  SummarizedExperiment::colData(sce)[[1]],
  nomatch = 0
)

# Subset the SCE using these indices
sce_filtered <- sce[, indices_to_keep]

```

**gg\_color\_hue***Default ggplot colors***Description**

Default ggplot colors

**Usage**

gg\_color\_hue(n)

**Value**

gg colors for plotting

**h5ToSce**

*Function: h5ToSce* ————— This function takes the path of an h5 file and reads this into an object of the SingleCellExperiment class.

**Description**

Function: h5ToSce ————— This function takes the path of an h5 file and reads this into an object of the SingleCellExperiment class.

**Usage**

```
h5ToSce(h5_file)
```

**Arguments**

h5_file	path of an h5 file
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**Value**

A list containing the following elements:

**sce\_amp** SingleCellExperiment class object containing read count information.

**se\_var** SummarizedExperiment class object containing variant information..

A list with the SingleCellExperiment and the SummarizedExperiment object representing the amplicon and the variant analysis.

**sce\_amp** SingleCellExperiment with amplicon experiment.

**se\_var** SummarizedExperiment with variants eexperiment

**Examples**

```
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")

# Read the h5ToSce using readH5File
result <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)

# Display the result
result
```

**launchSafariShiny**      *Launch Safari Shiny Application*

**Description**

Launches the Scafari Shiny application for data visualization.

**Usage**

```
launchSafariShiny()
```

**Value**

shiny app

**Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {
  launchSafariShiny()
}
```

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logLogPlot	<i>Plot a log-log plot for read counts</i>
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## Description

This function generates a log-log plot of read counts using the data from a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object.

## Usage

```
logLogPlot(sce)
```

## Arguments

sce A SingleCellExperiment object that contains read count data to be plotted. The read counts are extracted from an associated h5 file or similar data structure within the object.

## Value

A ggplot object representing the log-log plot of read counts.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with a 'counts' assay
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
plot <- logLogPlot(sce)
print(plot)
```

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normalizeReadCounts	<i>This function normalizes the read counts contained within a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object.</i>
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## Description

This function normalizes the read counts contained within a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object.

## Usage

```
normalizeReadCounts(sce)
```

## Arguments

sce A SingleCellExperiment object that includes the assay data with read counts to be normalized. The metadata within the object may also be utilized for normalization purposes.

**Value**

SingleCellExperiment object with normalized read counts.

**References**

<https://missionbio.github.io/mosaic/>, <https://github.com/rachelgriffard/optima>

**Examples**

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with 'counts' assay.
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
sce <- normalizeReadCounts(sce)
```

**plotAmpliconDistribution**

*Plot Distribution of Amplicons*

**Description**

This function generates a plot to visualize the distribution of amplicons within a ‘SingleCellExperiment’ object.

**Usage**

```
plotAmpliconDistribution(sce)
```

**Arguments**

sce	A SingleCellExperiment object that contains the assay data, including amplicon information to be plotted.
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**Value**

A ggplot object representing the distribution of amplicons.

**Examples**

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with 'counts' assay.
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
plotAmpliconDistribution(sce)
```

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plotClusterGenotype     *Plot Genotype Clusters*

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## Description

This function generates a plot to visualize genotype in clusters based on selected variants of interest.

## Usage

```
plotClusterGenotype(sce, variants.of.interest, gg.clust)
```

## Arguments

sce	A SingleCellExperiment object containing the relevant data.
variants.of.interest	A vector specifying the variants of interest.
gg.clust	An object containing clustering information.

## Value

A ggplot object that visually represents the clustering of genotypes based on the specified variants and clustering information.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp()  
# and clusterplot is the output of clusterVariantSelection().  
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",  
package = "scafari"))  
clusterplot <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "clusterplot.rds",  
package = "scafari"))  
plotClusterGenotype(  
  sce = sce_filtered,  
  variants.of.interest = c(  
    "FLT3:chr13:28610183:A/G",  
    "KIT:chr4:55599436:T/C",  
    "TP53:chr17:7577427:G/A",  
    "TET2:chr4:106158216:G/A"  
)  
,  
  gg.clust = clusterplot$clusterplot  
)
```

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<code>plotClusterVAF</code>	<i>plot Cluster VAF This function generates a plot to visualize variant allele frequency (VAF) in clusters based on selected variants of interest.</i>
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## Description

`plotClusterVAF` This function generates a plot to visualize variant allele frequency (VAF) in clusters based on selected variants of interest.

## Usage

```
plotClusterVAF(sce, variants.of.interest, gg.clust)
```

## Arguments

<code>sce</code>	A SingleCellExperiment object containing the relevant data.
<code>variants.of.interest</code>	A vector specifying the variants of interest.
<code>gg.clust</code>	An object containing clustering information.

## Value

A ggplot object that visually represents the VAF in the clusters.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp() and
# clusterplot is the output of clusterVariantSelection().
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
package = "scafari"))
clusterplot <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "clusterplot.rds",
package = "scafari"))
plotClusterVAF(
  sce = sce_filtered,
  variants.of.interest = c(
    "FLT3:chr13:28610183:A/G",
    "KIT:chr4:55599436:T/C",
    "TP53:chr17:7577427:G/A",
    "TET2:chr4:106158216:G/A"
  ),
  gg.clust = clusterplot$clusterplot
)
```

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plotClusterVAFMap	<i>plot Cluster VAF Map</i> This function generates a plot to visualize variant allele frequency (VAF) in clusters based on selected variants of interest with clusters in the background.
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## Description

plot Cluster VAF Map This function generates a plot to visualize variant allele frequency (VAF) in clusters based on selected variants of interest with clusters in the background.

## Usage

```
plotClusterVAFMap(sce, variants.of.interest, gg.clust)
```

## Arguments

sce	A SingleCellExperiment object containing the relevant data.
variants.of.interest	A vector specifying the variants of interest.
gg.clust	An object containing clustering information.

## Value

A ggplot object that visually represents the VAF in the clusters with clusters in the background.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp() and
# clusterplot is the output of clusterVariantSelection().
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
package = "scafari"))
clusterplot <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "clusterplot.rds",
package = "scafari"))
plotClusterVAFMap(
  sce = sce_filtered,
  variants.of.interest = c(
    "FLT3:chr13:28610183:A/G",
    "KIT:chr4:55599436:T/C",
    "TP53:chr17:7577427:G/A",
    "TET2:chr4:106158216:G/A"
  ),
  gg.clust = clusterplot$clusterplot
)
```

**plotElbow**

*This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object and variants of interest as input and plots an elbow plot to perform k-means later.*

## Description

This function takes a SingleCellExperiment object and variants of interest as input and plots an elbow plot to perform k-means later.

## Usage

```
plotElbow(sce, variants.of.interest)
```

## Arguments

sce	A SingleCellExperiment object containing the relevant data.
variants.of.interest	A vector specifying the variants of interest.

## Value

ggplot object with elbow plot.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with variants in altExp().
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
package = "scafari"))
plotElbow(
  sce = sce_filtered,
  variants.of.interest = c(
    "FLT3:chr13:28610183:A/G",
    "KIT:chr4:55599436:T/C",
    "TP53:chr17:7577427:G/A",
    "TET2:chr4:106158216:G/A"
  )
)
```

**plotGenotypeequalityPerGenotype**

*Plot Genotype Quality per Genotype*

## Description

This function generates a plot to assess the quality of genotypes within a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object. It uses the ‘genotype\_quality’ assay or any relevant assay to visualize the distribution of genotype quality metrics across different genotypes.

## Usage

```
plotGenotypeequalityPerGenotype(sce)
```

**Arguments**

sce A ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object containing the single-cell data. This object should include a ‘genotype\_quality’ assay or similar data which provides quality metrics for each genotype.

**Value**

A ‘ggplot‘ object visualizing the distribution of genotype quality across different genotypes.

**Examples**

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with 'genotype_quality'
# assay.
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
  package = "scafari"
))
genotype_quality_plot <- plotGenotypequalityPerGenotype(sce_filtered)
print(genotype_quality_plot)
```

**plotNormalizedReadCounts**

*Plot normalized read counts*

**Description**

This function plots the normalize read counts in a bar chart.

**Usage**

```
plotNormalizedReadCounts(sce)
```

**Arguments**

sce A SingleCellExperiment object containing the relevant data.

**Value**

ggplot object visualizing the normalized read counts in a bar chart.

**Examples**

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with 'counts' assay.
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
sce <- normalizeReadCounts(sce = sce)
plotNormalizedReadCounts(sce)
```

**plotPanelUniformity**     *Plot Panel Uniformity*

## Description

This function generates a plot to assess the uniformity of panel reads in a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object. It uses read counts stored in the ’counts’ assay to visualize the distribution and variability of reads.

## Usage

```
plotPanelUniformity(sce, interactive = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| sce         | A ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object that contains single-cell data with a ’counts’ assay. This object should be pre-processed to ensure the data is appropriate for uniformity analysis. |
| interactive | in interactive mode an plotly is returned.   |

## Value

A ‘ggplot‘ object visualizing the uniformity of panel reads.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with 'counts' assay.
h5_file_path <- system.file("extdata", "demo.h5", package = "scafari")
h5 <- h5ToSce(h5_file_path)
sce <- h5$sce_amp
sce <- normalizeReadCounts(sce = sce)
uniformity_plot <- plotPanelUniformity(sce)
print(uniformity_plot)
```

**plotVariantHeatmap**     *Plot Variant Heatmap*

## Description

This function generates a heatmap to visualize variant data within a ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object. The heatmap provides insights into the distribution and frequency of variants across different samples or cells.

## Usage

```
plotVariantHeatmap(sce)
```

## Arguments

sce	A ‘SingleCellExperiment‘ object containing single-cell variant data. The object should include an assay that holds variant information suitable for visualization in a heatmap.
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## Value

A ‘ggplot‘ object representing the heatmap of variant frequencies or presence across cells or groups.

## Examples

```
# Assume `sce` is a SingleCellExperiment object with an appropriate variant
# assay.
sce_filtered <- readRDS(system.file("extdata", "sce_filtered_demo.rds",
  package = "scafari"
))
variant_heatmap <- plotVariantHeatmap(sce_filtered)
print(variant_heatmap)
```

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scafari

*scafari: analyzing scDNA-seq data*

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## Description

scafari is an R Bioconductor package for single-cell DNA-seq (scDNA-seq) analysis.

## Details

scafari works on .h5 files, the standard output of the Tapestri pipeline. It offers easy-to-use data quality control as well as explorative variant analyses and visualization for scDNA-seq data.

## Main Functions

- `h5ToSce()`: Reads in .h5 files and writes them into a SingleCellExperiment object.
- `normalizeReadCounts()`: Normalizes the read counts.
- `annotateAmplicons()`: Annotates the amplicons present in the .h5 file.
- `filterVariants()`: Filters the variants present in the .h5 file.
- `annotateVariants()`: Annotates the filtered variants.
- `clusterVariantSelection()`: Clusters variants of special interest.

## Installation

To install this package, use: `BiocManager::install("scafari")`

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**See Also**

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/sophiewind/safari>
  - Report bugs at <https://github.com/sophiewind/safari/issues>
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`theme_default`      *Default ggplot scheme*

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**Description**

Default ggplot scheme

**Usage**

```
theme_default()
```

**Value**

gg color scheme

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`theme_shiny`      *Default shiny theme*

---

**Description**

Default shiny theme

**Usage**

```
theme_shiny()
```

**Value**

gg color scheme

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