

# Package ‘BiocMaintainerApp’

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**Title** View Bioconductor Package Maintainer Information Interactively

**Version** 1.0.0

**Description** This package allows interactive viewing of package maintainer information. The Bioconductor Package Maintainer Application sends yearly verification emails to accept Bioconductor policies; this application also depicts maintainer status on opting in and if the email is deemed valid.

**License** Artistic-2.0

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BiocMaintainerShiny	<i>Launch Shiny application for Bioconductor Maintainer Validation App</i>
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### Description

This shiny app allows exploration of package maintainers and validity of emails.

### Usage

```
BiocMaintainerShiny(...)
```

### Arguments

... Further arguments to the runApp function

### Details

This shiny app allows exploration of package maintainers and validity of emails. The associated Bioconductor validation app sends a yearly reminder of Bioconductor policies that maintainers should opt-in. Th app also reflects the status of accepting policies and whether or not the email was reachable.

### Value

Displays shiny app in browser

### Author(s)

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
if (interactive()) {  
  BiocMaintainerShiny()  
}
```

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`getInfoByEmail`      *Get Maintainer Information by Maintainer Email*

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**Description**

Retrieves maintainer information by maintainer email

**Usage**

```
getInfoByEmail(email)
```

**Arguments**

email                  current Bioconductor package maintainer email

**Details**

Retrieves maintainer information by maintainer email

**Value**

data.frame of maintainer information including name, package, email, consent\_date, email\_status, is\_email\_valid

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- getInfoByEmail("maintainer@bioconductor.org")
```

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`getInfoByName`*Get Maintainer Information by Maintainer Name*

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**Description**

Retrieves maintainer information by maintainer name

**Usage**

```
getInfoByName(name)
```

**Arguments**

name                    current Bioconductor package maintainer name

**Details**

Retrieves maintainer information by maintainer name

**Value**

data.frame of maintainer information including name, package, email, consent\_date, email\_status, is\_email\_valid

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- getInfoByName("Lori Shepherd")  
tbl <- getInfoByName("Hervé Pagès")
```

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`getInfoByPackage`*Get Maintainer Information by Package Name*

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**Description**

Retrieves maintainer information by package name

**Usage**

```
getInfoByPackage(packageName)
```

**Arguments**

`packageName`      current Bioconductor package

**Details**

Retrieves maintainer information by package name

**Value**

data.frame of maintainer information including name, package, email, consent\_date, email\_status, is\_email\_valid

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- getInfoByPackage("BiocFileCache")
```

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`get_maintainer_data`      *Retrieve Maintainer Information*

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**Description**

Retrieves maintainer information from the package maintainer validation app

**Usage**

```
get_maintainer_data(  
  url = "https://pkgmaintainers.bioconductor.org/download-maintainer-db"  
)
```

**Arguments**

`url`                      Url to retrieve data from whose data can be parsed with `jsonlite::fromJSON`

**Details**

Retrieves maintainer information from the package maintainer validation app

**Value**

data.frame of maintainer information

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- get_maintainer_data()
```

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isEmailValid	<i>Check if Maintainer Email is Valid</i>
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**Description**

Retrieves if maintainer email is valid

**Usage**

```
isEmailValid(email)
```

**Arguments**

email                    current Bioconductor package maintainer email

**Details**

Retrieves if maintainer email is valid.

**Value**

list. All lists have attribute 'valid' which is TRUE/FALSE. If valid is FALSE, the list will also contain an attribute 'data' with additional diagnostic columns in the database. This includes: email, name, package, consent\_date, email\_status, is\_email\_valid, bounce\_type, bounce\_subtype, smtp\_status, diagnostic\_code. If no 'data' attribute is included, the email is not found in the database.

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- isEmailValid("maintainer@bioconductor.org")
```

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```
listAllBadEmails      List All 'Bad' Emails
```

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**Description**

Retrieves all 'bad' emails.

**Usage**

```
listAllBadEmails()
```

**Details**

Retrieves all 'bad' emails. A 'bad' email is either invalid or has not consented within the last year.

**Value**

character vector that lists all maintainer emails.

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- listAllBadEmails()
```

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```
listEmailsOnSuppressionList  
      List All Emails on Suppression List
```

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**Description**

Retrieves all emails on AWS Suppression List

**Usage**

```
listEmailsOnSuppressionList()
```

**Details**

Retrieves all emails on AWS Suppression List

**Value**

list. First attribute is 'awssuppression' which is TRUE. Second attribute is 'data' which is a data.frame that includes the email and name.

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- listEmailsOnSuppressionList()
```

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<code>listInvalid</code>	<i>List All Invalid Emails</i>
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**Description**

Retrieves all invalid emails

**Usage**

```
listInvalid()
```

**Details**

Retrieves all invalid emails

**Value**

data.frame of maintainer information for anyone with a currently identified invalid email. This includes: `email`, `name`, `package`, `email_status`, `is_email_valid`, `bounce_type`, `bounce_subtype`, `smtp_status`, `diagnostic_code`. An email is designated invalid if the validation email failed to send either for a bounce or because it is on the AWS suppression list.

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- listInvalid()
```

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`listNeedsConsent`      *List All Maintainer that Need Consent*

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**Description**

Retrieves all maintainers that need to consent to Bioconductor policies.

**Usage**

```
listNeedsConsent()
```

**Details**

Retrieves all maintainers that need to consent to Bioconductor policies. Bioconductor requires maintainers consent to Bioconductor policies once a year.

**Value**

character vector that lists all maintainer emails that need consent.

**Author(s)**

Lori Shepherd

**Examples**

```
tbl <- listNeedsConsent()
```

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