# Package: metarep (via r-universe)

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**Description** User-friendly package for reporting replicability-analysis methods, affixed to meta-analyses summary. The replicability-analysis output provides an assessment of the investigated intervention, where it offers quantification of effect replicability and assessment of the consistency of findings. - Replicability-analysis for fixed-effects and random-effect meta analysis: - r(u)-value; - lower bounds on the number of studies with replicated positive and\or negative effect; - Allows detecting inconsistency of signals; - forest plots with the summary of replicability analysis results; - Allows Replicability-analysis with or without the common-effect assumption.

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# **Description**

A dataset containing the meta-data of the the intervention 'Invitation letter' (CMP001), in the review "PStrategies for increasing the participation of women in community breast cancer screening" (CD002943) the results were reported by 5 studies, and analysed by Fixed-Effects meta-analysis.

# Usage

CD002943\_CMP001

#### Format

A data frame with 5 rows of 12 variables:

**STUDY** Name of the study.

STUDY\_WEIGHT Stydy weight in meta-analysis as reported in th review.

**N\_EVENTS1** Number of events in the first group tested.

N\_EVENTS2 Number of events in the second group tested.

N\_TOTAL1 Number of patirnts in the first group tested.

**N\_TOTAL2** Number of patirnts in the second group tested.

**GROUP1** Names of the first group in each study.

**GROUP2** Names of the second group in each study.

**N\_STUDIES** Overall number of studies in the meta-analysis

CMP\_ID Cochrane Database review number

**SM** A character string indicating which summary measure ("RR", "OR", "RD", or "ASD") is to be used for pooling of studies.

RANDOM "YES" or "NO" indicating whether random-effects meta-analysis was performed.

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#### **Source**

https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/doi/10.1002/14651858.CD002943/full

CD003366\_CMP005 Data in meta-analysis reported in review CD003366, 'Cochrane library'.

#### **Description**

A dataset containing the meta-data of the outcome 'Leukopaenia' (CMP005), in the review "Texane-containing regimins for metastatic breast cancer" (CD003366) the results were reported by 28 studies, and analysed by Random-Effects meta-analysis.

# Usage

CD003366\_CMP005

#### **Format**

A data frame with 28 rows and 12 variables:

**STUDY** Name of the study.

**STUDY\_WEIGHT** Stydy weight in meta-analysis as reported in th review.

**N\_EVENTS1** Number of events in the first group tested.

N\_EVENTS2 Number of events in the second group tested.

**N\_TOTAL1** Number of patirnts in the first group tested.

**N\_TOTAL2** Number of patirnts in the second group tested.

**GROUP1** Names of the first group in each study.

**GROUP2** Names of the second group in each study.

**N\_STUDIES** Overall number of studies in the meta-analysis

CMP\_ID Cochrane Database review number

**SM** A character string indicating which summary measure ("RR", "OR", "RD", or "ASD") is to be used for pooling of studies.

RANDOM "YES" or "NO" indicating whether random-effects meta-analysis was performed.

# Source

https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/doi/10.1002/14651858.CD003366.pub3/full

CD006823_CMP001	Data in meta-analysis reported in review CD006823, 'Cochrane library'.

# Description

A dataset containing the meta-data of the outcome 'Seroma formation' (CMP001), in the review "Wound drainage after axillary dissection for carcinoma of the breast" (CD006823) the results were reported by 7 studies, and analysed by Random-Effects meta-analysis.

# Usage

CD006823\_CMP001

#### **Format**

A data frame with 7 rows and 12 variables:

**STUDY** Name of the study.

**STUDY\_WEIGHT** Stydy weight in meta-analysis as reported in th review.

N\_EVENTS1 Number of events in the first group tested.

**N\_EVENTS2** Number of events in the second group tested.

N\_TOTAL1 Number of patirnts in the first group tested.

N\_TOTAL2 Number of patirnts in the second group tested.

**GROUP1** Names of the first group in each study.

**GROUP2** Names of the second group in each study.

**N\_STUDIES** Overall number of studies in the meta-analysis

CMP\_ID Cochrane Database review number

**SM** A character string indicating which summary measure ("RR", "OR", "RD", or "ASD") is to be used for pooling of studies.

**RANDOM** "YES" or "NO" indicating whether random-effects meta-analysis was performed.

#### Source

https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/doi/10.1002/14651858.CD006823.pub2/full

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CI	D007077_CMP001	Data in meta-analysis reported in review CD007077, 'Cochrane library'.	

# Description

A dataset containing the meta-data of the outcome 'cosmesis' (CMP001), in the review "Partial breast irradiation for early breast cancer" (CD007077) the results were reported by 5 studies, and analysed by Fixed-Effects meta-analysis.

# Usage

CD007077\_CMP001

#### **Format**

A data frame with 5 rows and 12 variables:

**STUDY** Name of the study.

**STUDY\_WEIGHT** Stydy weight in meta-analysis as reported in th review.

N\_EVENTS1 Number of events in the first group tested.

**N\_EVENTS2** Number of events in the second group tested.

N\_TOTAL1 Number of patirnts in the first group tested.

N\_TOTAL2 Number of patirnts in the second group tested.

**GROUP1** Names of the first group in each study.

**GROUP2** Names of the second group in each study.

**N\_STUDIES** Overall number of studies in the meta-analysis

CMP\_ID Cochrane Database review number

**SM** A character string indicating which summary measure ("RR", "OR", "RD", or "ASD") is to be used for pooling of studies.

**RANDOM** "YES" or "NO" indicating whether random-effects meta-analysis was performed.

#### Source

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Lower bounds on the number of studies with replicated effect

# Description

lower bounds on the number of studies with increased and\ or decreased effect.

# Usage

```
find_umax(
    x,
    alternative = "two-sided",
    t = 0.05,
    confidence = 0.95,
    common.effect = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

x	Object of class 'meta'
alternative	'less', 'greater' or 'two-sided'
t	truncation threshold for truncated-Pearsons' test ('t=0.05' by default). $t$ is ignored if 'common.effect = TRUE'.
confidence	Confidence level used in the computation of the lower bound(s) $u^L_{max}$ and/or $u^R_{max}$ .
common.effect	Use common.effect = FALSE (default) for replicability-analysis combining with no assumptions (Pearson or truncated-Pearson test).

# Value

An object of class list reporting the bounds on the number of studies with a positive or negative effect, as follows:

worst.case	A charachter vector of the names of n-u_{max}+1 studies at which the the $r(u_{max})$ -value is computed.
side	The direction of the replicated signal in the 'worst.case' studies. 'less' if the effect is negative, 'greater' if positive.

u\_max The bound on the number of studies with either a positive or a negative effect.

r-value The 'u-out-of-n' r(u)--value calculated with u=u\_max.

Replicability\_Analysis

Report of the replicability lower bounds on the number of studies with negative effect and with positive effect.

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#### **Examples**

forest.metarep

Forest plot to display the result of a meta-analysis with replicability analysis resuls

# **Description**

Draws a forest plot in the active graphics window (using grid graphics system).

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'metarep'
forest(x, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

- x An object of class 'metarep'.
- ... Arguments to be passed to methods, see forest.meta

# Value

No return value, called for side effects

#### See Also

```
forest.meta, metarep,
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```
alternative = 'two-sided', report.u.max = TRUE)
forest(mr1, layout = "RevMan5", common = FALSE,
    label.right = "Favours control", col.label.right = "red",
    label.left = "Favours experimental", col.label.left = "green",
    prediction = TRUE)
```

metarep

Replicability-analysis of a meta-analysis

# Description

Add results of replicability-analysis to a meta-analysis, whether common- or random-effects.

# Usage

```
metarep(
    x,
    u = 2,
    t = 0.05,
    alternative = "two-sided",
    report.u.max = FALSE,
    confidence = 0.95,
    common.effect = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

X	object of class 'meta'
u	replicability requirement. $u$ must be an intiger between 2 and $n$ (nmber of studies in the meta-analysis).
t	truncation threshold for truncated-Pearsons' test ('t=0.05' by default). $t$ is ignored if 'common.effect = TRUE'.
alternative	use 'less', 'greater' or 'two-sided'
report.u.max	use TREU to report the lower bounds on number of studies with replicated effect.
confidence	Confidence level used in the computation of the lower bound(s) $u^L_{max}$ and/or $u^R_{max}$ .
common.effect	Use common.effect = FALSE (default) for replicability-analysis combining with no assumptions (Pearson or truncated-Pearson test). Replicability-analysis based on the test-statistic of common-effects model can be applied using common.effect = TRUE.

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#### Value

An object of class list containing meta-analysis and replicability analysis results, as follows:

```
worst.case.studies
```

A charachter vector of the names of n-u+1 studies at which the the r(u)-value is computed.

r.value r(u)-value for the specied u.

side The direction of the effect with the lower one-sided r(u)-value

u\_L, u\_R

Lower bounds of the number of studies with decreased or increased effect, respectively. Both bounds are reported simultinualsly only when performing repli-

cability analysis for two-sided alternative with no assumptions

# **Examples**

metaRvalue.onesided.U One-sided replicability analysis

# **Description**

One-sided replicability analysis

# Usage

```
metaRvalue.onesided.U(
    x,
    u = 2,
    common = FALSE,
    random = TRUE,
    alternative = "less",
    do.truncated.umax = TRUE,
    alpha.tilde = 0.05
)
```

print.metarep

#### **Arguments**

x object of class 'meta' u integer between 2-n

common logical random logical

alternative 'less' or 'greater' only.

do.truncated.umax

logical.

alpha.tilde between (0,1)

#### Value

No return value, called for internal use only.

print.metarep

Print meta-analysis with replicability-analysis results

# Description

Print method for objects of class 'metarep'.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'metarep'
print(x, details.methods = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

x An object of class 'metarep'

details.methods

A logical specifying whether details on statistical methods should be printed

... Arguments to be passed to methods, see print.meta

# Value

No return value, called for side effects.

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#### **Examples**

print.summary.metarep Print detailed meta-analysis with replicability-analysis results

#### **Description**

Print method for objects of class 'summary.metarep'.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'summary.metarep'
print(x, details.methods = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
x An object of class 'summary.metarep'
details.methods
A logical specifying whether details on statistical methods should be printed
... Arguments to be passed to methods, see print.summary.meta
```

#### Value

No return value, called for side effects.

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summary.metarep

Summary of meta-analysis with replicability-analysis results

#### Description

Summary method for objects of class 'metarep'.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'metarep'
summary(object, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object An object of class 'metarep'.

... Arguments to be passed to methods, see summary.meta

#### Value

A list of the quantities for replicability analysis, as follows:

meta-analysis results:

Summary of the supplied 'meta' object.

r.value: r-value of the tested alternative.

u.increased: Maximal number of studies at which replicability of increasing effect can be

claimed. It will be reported unless the alternative is 'less'.

u.decreased: Maximal number of studies at which replicability of increasing effect can be

claimed. It will be reported unless the alternative is 'greater'.

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# Description

Apply Truncated-Pearsons' test or ordinary Pearsons' test on one-sided p-values.

# Usage

```
truncatedPearson(p, alpha.tilde = 1)
```

# Arguments

p one-sided p-values of the individual studies for testing one-sided alternative

based on z-test.

alpha.tilde truncartion threshold for truncated-Pearson test. Use alpha.tilde = 1 for ordinary

Pearsons' test for combining p-values.

#### Value

A 'list' containing the following quantities:

chisq: Pearson test statistic

df: degrees of freedom of truncated-Pearson statistic

rvalue: p-value of the test

validp: p-values used in the test.

```
truncatedPearson( p = c( 0.001 , 0.01 , 0.1 ) , alpha.tilde = 1 ) truncatedPearson( p = c( 0.001 , 0.01 , 0.1 ) , alpha.tilde = 0.05 )
```

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