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standR-package

Tools for analyzing NanoString's GeoMX spatial transcriptomics data

Description

standR implements a series of functions to facilitate inspection, analysis and visualization of the NanoString's GeoMX DSP datasets. standR takes the either the csv files from the Nanostring or DGEList object as input, allowing for multiple methods to be analyzed together.

Details

standR represents the GeoMX DSP data as SpatialExperiment objects, which can easily be integrated with a wide variety of Bioconductor packages. standR generates various plots, such as QC distribution plots, dimension reduction plots and RLE plots, for quality control of genes and region of interest (ROI) samples. Multiple normalization and batch correction methods are also provided in the package as well, with the ability to compute statistics for assessing the normalization/batch correction results.

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addPerROIQC

Add QC statistics to the Spatial Experiment object

Description

Add QC statistics to the Spatial Experiment object

Usage

```
addPerROIQC(
  spe_object,
  sample_fraction = 0.9,
  rm_genes = TRUE,
  min_count = 5,
  design = NULL
)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object
sample_fraction	Double. Genes with low count in more than this threshold of the samples will be removed. Default is 0.9
rm_genes	Logical. Decide whether genes with low count in more than sample_fraction of the samples are removed from the dataset. Default is TRUE.
min_count	Integer. Minimum read count to calculate count threshold. Default is 5.
design	Generate using model.matrix, if this is specify, edgeR::filterByExpr will be used to filter genes.

Value

A SpatialExperiment object

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe_filtered <- addPerROIQC(dkd_spe_subset)
spe_filtered
```

`computeClusterEvalStats`*Calculate statistics for evaluating batch correction*

Description

Calculate statistics for evaluating batch correction

Usage

```
computeClusterEvalStats(  
  spe_object,  
  foiColumn,  
  precomputed = NULL,  
  n_dimension = c(1, 2),  
  assay = 2  
)
```

Arguments

<code>spe_object</code>	A Spatial Experiment object.
<code>foiColumn</code>	A column name indicating the factor of interest to be tested, can be biological factor or batch factor.
<code>precomputed</code>	a dimensional reduction results from <code>stats::prcomp</code> . result in <code>reducedDims(object)</code> to plot. Default is <code>NULL</code> , we will compute for you.
<code>n_dimension</code>	The top <code>n</code> dimensions to be plotted
<code>assay</code>	a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for <code>SummarizedExperiment</code> and its derivative classes).

Value

A dataframe object containing the clustering evaluating statistics.

Examples

```
library(scater)
data("dkd_spe_subset")
computeClusterEvalStats(dkd_spe_subset, "SlideName")
```

dkd_spe_subset	<i>Description of the standR example datasets</i>
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Description

standR-package has 1 datasets:

- dkd_spe_subset Example subset of a GeoMX DSP WTA dataset,

Usage

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
```

Format

A SpatialExperiment object with 3000 rows and 70 samples:

Source

<http://nanosttring-public-share.s3-website-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/GeoScriptHub/KidneyDataset/>

Examples

```
data(dkd_spe_subset)
```

drawPCA	<i>Compute and plot the results of a PCA analysis on gene expression data</i>
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Description

Compute and plot the results of a PCA analysis on gene expression data

Usage

```
drawPCA(object, dims = c(1, 2), ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ExpressionSet'
```

```
drawPCA(object, dims = c(1, 2), precomputed = NULL, textScale = 1, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'SummarizedExperiment'
```

```
drawPCA(  
  object,  
  dims = c(1, 2),  
  assay = 1,
```

```

    precomputed = NULL,
    textScale = 1,
    ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SingleCellExperiment'
drawPCA(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  assay = 1,
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialExperiment'
drawPCA(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  assay = 1,
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

object	a DGEList, SummarizedExperiment or ExpressionSet object containing gene expression data.
dims	a numeric, containing 2 values specifying the dimensions to plot.
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to <code>ggplot2::aes_string()</code> .
precomputed	a dimensional reduction results from <code>stats::prcomp</code> . result in <code>reducedDims(object)</code> to plot.
textScale	a numeric, specifying the relative scale factor to apply to text on the plot.
assay	a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for SummarizedExperiment and its derivative classes).

Value

a ggplot2 object

Examples

```

data("dkd_spe_subset")
drawPCA(dkd_spe_subset)

```

`findBestK`*Testing multiple K for RUV4 batch correction to find the best K.*

Description

Testing multiple K for RUV4 batch correction to find the best K.

Usage

```
findBestK(  
  spe,  
  maxK = 10,  
  factor_of_int,  
  factor_batch,  
  NCGs,  
  point_size = 3,  
  line_col = "black",  
  point_col = "black",  
  text_size = 13  
)
```

Arguments

<code>spe</code>	A Spatial Experiment object.
<code>maxK</code>	Integer. The max k to test, will test k from 1 to maxK, by default is 10.
<code>factor_of_int</code>	Column name(s) to indicate the factors of interest. This is required for the RUV4 method.
<code>factor_batch</code>	Column name to indicate the batch.
<code>NCGs</code>	Negative control genes. This is required for the RUV4 method.
<code>point_size</code>	Numeric. Plotting parameter.
<code>line_col</code>	Character. Plotting parameter.
<code>point_col</code>	Character. Plotting parameter.
<code>text_size</code>	Numeric. Plotting parameter.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")  
spe <- findNCGs(dkd_spe_subset, top_n = 100)  
findBestK(spe,  
  factor_of_int = c("disease_status"),  
  factor_batch = "SlideName", NCGs = S4Vectors::metadata(spe)$NCGs  
)
```

findNCGs	<i>Get negative control genes from each batch of the data</i>
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Description

Get negative control genes from each batch of the data

Usage

```
findNCGs(spe, n_assay = 2, batch_name = "SlideName", top_n = 200)
```

Arguments

spe	A Spatial Experiment object.
n_assay	Integer to indicate the nth count table in the assay(spe) to be used.
batch_name	Column name indicating batches.
top_n	Integer indicate how many genes to be included as negative control genes.

Value

A Spatial Experiment object, containing negative control genes in the metadata.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")  
  
spe <- findNCGs(dkd_spe_subset, top_n = 100)  
S4Vectors::metadata(spe)$NCGs
```

geomxBatchCorrection	<i>Batch correction for GeoMX data</i>
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Description

Batch correction for GeoMX data

Usage

```
geomxBatchCorrection(  
  spe,  
  k,  
  factors,  
  NCGs,  
  n_assay = 2,  
  batch = NULL,  
  batch2 = NULL,  
  covariates = NULL,  
  design = matrix(1, ncol(spe), 1),  
  method = c("RUV4", "Limma", "RUVg"),  
  isLog = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

spe	A Spatial Experiment object.
k	The number of unwanted factors to use. Can be 0. This is required for the RUV4 method.
factors	Column name(s) to indicate the factors of interest. This is required for the RUV4 method.
NCGs	Negative control genes. This is required for the RUV4 method.
n_assay	Integer to indicate the nth count table in the assay(spe) to be used.
batch	A vector indicating batches. This is required for the Limma method.
batch2	A vector indicating the second series of batches. This is specific for the Limma method.
covariates	A matrix or vector of numeric covariates to be adjusted for.
design	A design matrix relating to treatment conditions to be preserved, can be generated using <code>stats::model.matrix</code> function with all biological factors included.
method	Can be either RUV4 or Limma or RUVg, by default is RUV4.
isLog	Logical vector, indicating if the count table is log or not.

Value

A Spatial Experiment object, containing the normalized count and normalization factor. For method RUV4 and RUVg, the W matrices will be saved in the colData of the object.

Note

The normalised count is not intended to be used directly for linear modelling. For linear modelling, it is better to include the batch factors/W matrices in the linear model.

References

Gagnon-Bartsch, J. A., Jacob, L., & Speed, T. P. (2013). Removing unwanted variation from high dimensional data with negative controls. Berkeley: Tech Reports from Dep Stat Univ California, 1-112.

Ritchie, M. E., Phipson, B., Wu, D. I., Hu, Y., Law, C. W., Shi, W., & Smyth, G. K. (2015). limma powers differential expression analyses for RNA-sequencing and microarray studies. *Nucleic acids research*, 43(7), e47-e47.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe <- findNCGs(dkd_spe_subset, top_n = 100)
spe_ruv <- geomxBatchCorrection(spe,
  k = 3,
  factors = c("disease_status", "region"),
  NCGs = S4Vectors::metadata(spe)$NCGs
)
```

geomxNorm

Perform normalization to GeoMX data

Description

Perform normalization to GeoMX data

Usage

```
geomxNorm(
  spe_object,
  method = c("TMM", "RPKM", "TPM", "CPM", "upperquartile", "sizefactor"),
  log = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object.
method	Normalization method to use. Options: TMM, RPKM, TPM, CPM, upperquartile, sizefactor. RPKM and TPM require gene length information, which should be added into rowData(spe). Note that TMM here is TMM + CPM.
log	Log-transformed or not.

Value

A SpatialExperiment object, with the second assay being the normalized count matrix. The normalised count is stored in the assay slot called "logcounts" by default. With method TMM and sizefactor, the norm.factor will be saved in the metadata of the SpatialExperiment object.

Note

The normalised count is not intended to be used directly for linear modelling. For linear modelling, it is better to include the normalized factors in the "norm.factors" column of the DGEList object.

References

Robinson, M. D., McCarthy, D. J., & Smyth, G. K. (2010). edgeR: a Bioconductor package for differential expression analysis of digital gene expression data. *Bioinformatics*, 26(1), 139-140.

Love, M., Anders, S., & Huber, W. (2014). Differential analysis of count data—the DESeq2 package. *Genome Biol*, 15(550), 10-1186.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")

spe_tmm <- geomxNorm(dkd_spe_subset, method = "TMM")
spe_upq <- geomxNorm(dkd_spe_subset, method = "upperquartile")
spe_deseqnorm <- geomxNorm(dkd_spe_subset, method = "sizefactor")
```

plotClusterEvalStats *Compare and evaluate different batch corrected data with plotting.*

Description

Compare and evaluate different batch corrected data with plotting.

Usage

```
plotClusterEvalStats(
  spe_list,
  bio_feature_name,
  batch_feature_name,
  data_names,
  colors = NA
)
```

Arguments

spe_list	A list of Spatial Experiment object.
bio_feature_name	The common biological variation name.
batch_feature_name	The common batch variation name.
data_names	Data names.
colors	Color values of filing the bars.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
library(scater)
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe <- dkd_spe_subset
spe2 <- spe
spe3 <- spe
plotClusterEvalStats(list(spe, spe2, spe3),
  bio_feature_name = "region",
  batch_feature_name = "SlideName", c("test1", "test2", "test3")
)
```

plotDR	<i>Compute and plot the results of any dimension reduction methods on gene expression data</i>
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Description

Compute and plot the results of any dimension reduction methods on gene expression data

Usage

```
plotDR(object, dims = c(1, 2), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SingleCellExperiment'
plotDR(object, dims, dimred = "PCA", textScale = 1, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialExperiment'
plotDR(object, dims, dimred = "PCA", textScale = 1, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a DGEList, SummarizedExperiment or ExpressionSet object containing gene expression data.
dims	a numeric, containing 2 values specifying the dimensions to plot.
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to <code>ggplot2::aes_string()</code> .
dimred	a string or integer scalar indicating the reduced dimension result in <code>reducedDims(object)</code> to plot.
textScale	a numeric, specifying the relative scale factor to apply to text on the plot.

Value

a ggplot2 object

Examples

```
library(scater)
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe <- scater::runPCA(dkd_spe_subset)
plotDR(spe, dimred = "PCA")
```

plotGeneQC

Plot gene-wise QC plot

Description

Plot gene-wise QC plot

Usage

```
plotGeneQC(
  spe,
  top_n = 9,
  ordannots = c(),
  point_size = 1,
  line_type = "dashed",
  line_col = "darkred",
  line_cex = 1,
  hist_col = "black",
  hist_fill = "skyblue",
  bin_num = 30,
  text_size = 13,
  layout_ncol = 1,
  layout_nrow = 2,
  layout_height = c(1, 1),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

spe	A SpatialExperiment object.
top_n	Integer. Indicating the top n genes will be plotted. Default is 9.
ordannots	variables or computations to sort samples by (tidy style).
point_size	Numeric. Point size.
line_type	Character. Line types for ggplot.
line_col	Color for line.
line_cex	Cex for line.
hist_col	Color for histogram.

hist_fill	Fill for histogram.
bin_num	Bin numbers for histogram.
text_size	Text size.
layout_ncol	Integer. Column number for layout. Default is 1.
layout_nrow	Integer. Row number for layout. Default is 2.
layout_height	Vector of numerics with length of 2. Default is c(1, .4).
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to ggplot2::aes() of the dot plots.

Value

A ggplot object

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe <- addPerROIQC(dkd_spe_subset)
plotGeneQC(spe)
```

plotMDS	<i>Compute and plot the results of a MDS analysis on gene expression data</i>
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Description

Compute and plot the results of a MDS analysis on gene expression data

Usage

```
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'DGEList'
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ExpressionSet'
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SummarizedExperiment'
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SingleCellExperiment'
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'SpatialExperiment'
plotMDS(
  object,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  textScale = 1,
  assay = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	a DGEList, SummarizedExperiment or ExpressionSet object containing gene expression data.
dims	a numeric, containing 2 values specifying the dimensions to plot.
precomputed	a dimensional reduction results from either <code>limma::plotMDS</code> .
textScale	a numeric, specifying the relative scale factor to apply to text on the plot.

assay a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for SummarizedExperiment and its derivative classes).
 ... aesthetic mappings to pass to `ggplot2::aes_string()`.

Value

a `ggplot2` object

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
standR::plotMDS(dkd_spe_subset)
```

plotPairPCA

Plot pair-wise PCA plots for multiple dimensions

Description

Plot pair-wise PCA plots for multiple dimensions

Usage

```
plotPairPCA(
  spe_object,
  n_dimension = 3,
  precomputed = NULL,
  assay = 2,
  title = NA,
  title.size = 14,
  rmduplabs = FALSE,
  flipcoord = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

spe_object A `SpatialExperiment` object.
 n_dimension The top n dimensions to be plotted
 precomputed a dimensional reduction results from `stats::prcomp`. result in `reducedDims(object)` to plot. Default is `NULL`, we will compute for you.
 assay a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for `SummarizedExperiment` and its derivative classes).
 title Character vector, title to put at the top.
 title.size Numeric vector, size of the title.
 rmduplabs Remove duplicated labels from the plot. `FALSE` by default.
 flipcoord Flip the xy coordinates. `FALSE` by default.
 ... aesthetic mappings to pass to `ggplot2::aes()`.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
plotPairPCA(dkd_spe_subset)
```

plotPCAbiplot	<i>Plot PCA bi plot</i>
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Description

Plot PCA bi plot

Usage

```
plotPCAbiplot(
  spe_object,
  n_loadings = 10,
  dims = c(1, 2),
  precomputed = NULL,
  assay = 1,
  arrow_x = 0,
  arrow_y = 0,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object.
n_loadings	Plot the top n gene loadings
dims	The top n dimensions to be plotted
precomputed	a dimensional reduction results from stats::prcomp. result in reducedDims(object) to plot. Default is NULL, we will compute for you.
assay	a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for SummarizedExperiment and its derivative classes).
arrow_x	a numeric, indicating the x coordinate of the base of the arrow.
arrow_y	a numeric, indicating the y coordinate of the base of the arrow.
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to ggplot2::aes().

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
plotPCAbiplot(dkd_spe_subset)
```

plotRLEExpr	<i>Compute and plot relative log expression (RLE) values of gene expression data</i>
-------------	--

Description

Compute and plot relative log expression (RLE) values of gene expression data

Usage

```
plotRLEExpr(object, ordannots = c(), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'DGEList'
plotRLEExpr(object, ordannots = c(), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ExpressionSet'
plotRLEExpr(object, ordannots = c(), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SummarizedExperiment'
plotRLEExpr(object, ordannots, assay = 1, ...)
```

Arguments

object	a DGEList, SummarizedExperiment or ExpressionSet object containing gene expression data.
ordannots	variables or computations to sort samples by (tidy style).
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to ggplot2::aes_string().
assay	a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for SummarizedExperiment and its derivative classes).

Value

a ggplot2 object, containing the RLE plot.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")
plotRLEExpr(dkd_spe_subset)
```

plotROIQC

*Plot Sample-wise QC plot***Description**

Plot Sample-wise QC plot

Usage

```
plotROIQC(
  spe_object,
  x_axis = "AOINucleiCount",
  y_axis = "lib_size",
  x_lab = "AOINucleiCount",
  y_lab = "Library size",
  x_threshold = NULL,
  y_threshold = NULL,
  regression_col = "purple",
  hist_col = "black",
  hist_fill = "white",
  bin_num = 50,
  threshold_col = "red",
  threshold_linetype = "dashed",
  layout_ncol = 2,
  layout_nrow = 2,
  layout_height = c(0.8, 2.5),
  layout_width = c(2.5, 0.8),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object.
x_axis	Numeric feature to plot as x axis.
y_axis	Numeric feature to plot as y axis.
x_lab	Label name for x axis.
y_lab	Label name for y axis.
x_threshold	Threshold to draw.
y_threshold	Threshold to draw.
regression_col	Color for the regression line.
hist_col	Color for the histograms.
hist_fill	Fill for the histograms.
bin_num	Bin numbers for the histograms.
threshold_col	Threshold line color.

threshold_linetype	Threshold line type.
layout_ncol	Column number layout.
layout_nrow	Row number layout.
layout_height	Height layout.
layout_width	Width layout.
...	aesthetic mappings to pass to <code>ggplot2::aes()</code> of the dot plots.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
library(patchwork)
data("dkd_spe_subset")
spe <- addPerROIQC(dkd_spe_subset)

plotROIQC(spe)
```

plotSampleInfo

Plot the user-defined meta data using alluvium plot

Description

Plot the user-defined meta data using alluvium plot

Usage

```
plotSampleInfo(spe_object, column2plot, textsize = 3)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object.
column2plot	Which columns to plot.
textsize	text size.

Value

A ggplot object

Examples

```
library(ggalluvial)
data("dkd_spe_subset")
plotSampleInfo(dkd_spe_subset, column2plot = c("SlideName", "disease_status", "region"))
```

plotScreePCA	<i>Plot the PCA scree plot.</i>
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Description

Plot the PCA scree plot.

Usage

```
plotScreePCA(  
  spe_object,  
  dims = ncol(spe_object),  
  precomputed = NULL,  
  assay = 1,  
  bar_color = "black",  
  bar_fill = "royalblue",  
  bar_width = 0.8,  
  point_col = "tomato3",  
  line_col = "tomato3",  
  point_size = 2  
)
```

Arguments

spe_object	A SpatialExperiment object.
dims	The top n dimensions to be plotted
precomputed	a dimensional reduction results from stats::prcomp. result in reducedDims(object) to plot. Default is NULL, we will compute for you.
assay	a numeric or character, specifying the assay to use (for SummarizedExperiment and its derivative classes).
bar_color	Color for bar.
bar_fill	Fill for bar.
bar_width	Bar width.
point_col	Color for point.
line_col	Color for line.
point_size	Point size.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")  
plotScreePCA(dkd_spe_subset, dims = 10)
```

readGeoMx	<i>Import GeoMX DSP data into a spatial experiment object from file paths</i>
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Description

Import GeoMX DSP data into a spatial experiment object from file paths

Usage

```
readGeoMx(
  countFile,
  sampleAnnoFile,
  featureAnnoFile = NA,
  hasNegProbe = TRUE,
  NegProbeName = "NegProbe-WTX",
  colnames.as.rownames = c("TargetName", "SegmentDisplayName", "TargetName"),
  coord.colnames = c("ROICoordinateX", "ROICoordinateY")
)
```

Arguments

countFile	tsv file or a dataframe object. Count matrix, with samples in columns and features/genes in rows. The first column is gene names/ids.
sampleAnnoFile	tsv file or a dataframe object. Sample annotations.
featureAnnoFile	tsv file or a dataframe object. Feature/Gene annotations.
hasNegProbe	Logical. Default is TRUE, indicating there are negative probe genes in the data.
NegProbeName	Character. Name of negative probe genes, default is NegProbe-WTX.
colnames.as.rownames	Vector of characters, length of 3. Column names used to capture gene names, sample names and gene names in countFile, sampleAnnoFile and featureAnnoFile, respectively.
coord.colnames	Vector of characters, length of 2. Column names used to capture ROI coordinates.

Value

A SpatialExperiment object.

Examples

```
library(ExperimentHub)

eh <- ExperimentHub()
query(eh, "standR")
```

```
countFile <- eh[["EH7364"]]
sampleAnnoFile <- eh[["EH7365"]]

spe <- readGeoMx(countFile, sampleAnnoFile, hasNegProbe = FALSE)
```

readGeoMxFromDGE	<i>Import GeoMX DSP data into a spatial experiment object from DGE-List object</i>
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Description

Import GeoMX DSP data into a spatial experiment object from DGEList object

Usage

```
readGeoMxFromDGE(dge_object, spatialCoord = NULL)
```

Arguments

dge_object	a DGEList object (created using edgeR::DGEList).
spatialCoord	a matrix with coordinates of samples, rowname must be consistent with the column-names of dge_object.

Value

A SpatialExperiment object.

Examples

```
# making a simple DGEList object
ng <- 1000
ns <- 10
Counts <- matrix(rnbinom(ng * ns, mu = 5, size = 2), ng, ns)
rownames(Counts) <- seq(ng)
y <- edgeR::DGEList(counts = Counts, group = rep(seq(2), each = 5))

# transfer into spatial experiment object
coords <- matrix(rnorm(2 * ns), 10, 2)
spe <- readGeoMxFromDGE(dge_object = y, spatialCoord = coords)
spe
```

spe2dge	<i>Transfer SpatialExperiment object into DGEList object for DE analysis</i>
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Description

Transfer SpatialExperiment object into DGEList object for DE analysis

Usage

```
spe2dge(spe, norm = NULL)
```

Arguments

spe	SpatialExperiment object.
norm	Prior normalization method to be used. Norm factor calculated from the previous normalization step to be used in the DGEList.

Value

A DGEList.

Examples

```
data("dkd_spe_subset")  
  
dge <- spe2dge(dkd_spe_subset)  
  
spe_tmm <- geomxNorm(dkd_spe_subset, method = "TMM")  
dge <- spe2dge(spe_tmm, norm = "TMM")
```


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