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Description A variety of tools to allow the quantification of videos of the lymphatic vasculature taken under an operating microscope. Lymphatic vessels that have been injected with a variety of blue dyes can be tracked throughout the video to determine their width over time. Code is optimised for efficient processing of multiple large video files. Functions to calculate physiologically relevant parameters and generate graphs from these values are also included.

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calibrate_pixel_size *Calibrate the pixel size using a test image*

Description

In order to calculate absolute densities from pixel sizes, the size of the field captured by an operating microscope must be determined. This function allows the user to select an image of a ruler captured under a microscope, before automatically determining the scale.

Usage

```
calibrate_pixel_size(file_path = tk_file.choose())
```

Arguments

`file_path` The path to the image of a ruler to use for calibration. If left blank, the user will be prompted to select the file.

Value

A graphical representation of the ruler and calibration process. The number of pixels per mm will also be displayed.

Examples

```
## Not run:

file = paste(system.file(package = "vmeasur"), "extdata/mm_scale.jpg", sep = "/")
calibrate_pixel_size(file)

## End(Not run)
```

example_vessel	<i>Example lymphatic width dataset</i>
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Description

A data set containing the widths of a test vessel in each frame of a video. Identical in format to that produced by `select_roi` and `threshold_vessel`

Usage

```
example_vessel
```

Format

A data frame with 245,230 rows and 5 variables:

X.1 identification number of each row
y y position in the image
p_width width of the vessel at that position, in pixels
excluded was that row excluded due to an air bubble
filename which frame was the pixel row acquired from ...

Source

Collected for this package by Peter Russell (2021)

output_dir	<i>Set the output directory</i>
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Description

Set the output directory

Usage

```
output_dir(set = NULL, use_default = FALSE, set_default = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>set</code>	The directory to set to
<code>use_default</code>	Should the default value be used, or the system value
<code>set_default</code>	Should the system value be updated

Value

The file path to export to

quantify_directory *Quantify the content of an entire directory of sub-directories at once*

Description

Quantify the content of an entire directory of sub-directories at once

Usage

```
quantify_directory(target_folder)
```

Arguments

target_folder The folder to quantify the readings in

Value

A PDF file for each directory quantified, showing the quantification

quantify_mean_width *Quantify the vessel width over an entire ROI*

Description

This function calculates the overall widths and contraction parameters for the vessel as a whole.

Usage

```
quantify_mean_width(widths_file, pixel_scale = 73)
```

Arguments

widths_file A CSV file created by select_roi or threshold_vessel
 pixel_scale The number of pixels per mm, can be calculated with calibrate_pixel_size if unknown

Value

A list containing: A graph showing the detected contraction events, Details of each contraction event, The mean and standard deviation of the calculated contraction physiological parameters, The raw data used in the quantification process

Examples

```
quantify_mean_width(vmeasur::example_vessel)
```

`quantify_mean_width_sections`*Quantify the contractility of a vessel in sections along it's length*

Description

Quantify the physiological parameters in each section of the vessel along it's length.

Usage

```
quantify_mean_width_sections(widths_file = tk_file.choose())
```

Arguments

`widths_file` A csv file created by `select_roi` or `threshold_vessel`. If not specified, the user will be prompted to make a selection.

Value

Graphs showing the contractility over time, contraction position and amplitude detected, length of contraction and a heatmap overlay for verification of the overall data.

Examples

```
# quantify_mean_width_sections(widths_file = vmeasur::example_vessel)
```

`quantify_width_position`*Quantify the width of a vessel continuously along it's length*

Description

Generate heat maps and line plots showing the changes in vessel diameter along it's length

Usage

```
quantify_width_position(widths_file = tk_file.choose())
```

Arguments

`widths_file` A csv file created by `select_roi` or `threshold_vessel`. The user will be prompted to select a file if this is not specified.

Value

Two plots: A heat map of the vessel diameter at each position over time and a plot showing the maximum change in diameter over time

Examples

```
quantify_width_position(vmeasur::example_vessel)
```

scratch_dir	<i>Set the scratch directory for vmeasur</i>
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Description

vmeasur uses av to unpack temporary image files, which are then stored for further usage. This runs better if done to a high speed storage location such as a ram drive. This function sets that directory, and provides other options for specifying the structure of this temporary data.

Usage

```
scratch_dir(  
  set = NULL,  
  random_subfolder = FALSE,  
  file_name = FALSE,  
  wipe_scratch = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

set	new directory to set. If left blank, no directory change will occur
random_subfolder	Should a random sub folder be created
file_name	Specify the name of the directory
wipe_scratch	Should the folder be cleared before use

Details

If not specified, the default R tempdir is used

Value

the current location of the scratch directory

Examples

```
scratch_dir()  
scratch_dir("R:")
```

select_roi	<i>Select a ROI from a video file</i>
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Description

This function provides a graphical tool to walk the user through selecting a ROI from an AVI video.

Usage

```
select_roi()
```

Value

Saves an annotated AVI and CSV file in the same directory as the video. Will also output and copy the parameters used to create the video.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
  select_roi()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

threshold_apply	<i>Threshold a video with pre-determined parameters</i>
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Description

Using pre-determined values this function generates ROI from a video. If parameters are not known, use select_roi() This function is optimized to run in parallel, so should be relatively rapid. If running slowly, check the scratch disk is set correctly.

Usage

```
threshold_apply(  
  threshold = 0.5,  
  roi_name = "test",  
  video_path = "image826.avi",  
  radians = 0.217604550320612,  
  xlength = 60,  
  ylength = 242,  
  xstart = 696,  
  ystart = 323,  
  image_list = NULL,  
  fps = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

threshold	The threshold for the red channel. Range 0-1.
roi_name	Name assigned to the region of interest
video_path	Location of the video file to process
radians	Degrees to rotate the image, in radians
xlength	Number of x pixels in the ROI
ylength	Number of y pixels in the ROI
xstart	ROI starting x co-ordinate
ystart	ROI starting y co-ordinate
image_list	If pre-computed, a list of images to use rather than a video
fps	Number of fps to process, this can be set lower for validation

Value

Saves the quantified CSV and overlaid video in the same directory as the video

threshold_vessel	<i>Apply a threshold to a single frame</i>
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Description

Apply a threshold to a single frame

Usage

```
threshold_vessel(file_path = tk_file.choose(), threshold, min_area = 100)
```

Arguments

file_path	path to the file to be used. If left blank, the user will be prompted to make a selection
threshold	The threshold to use
min_area	Minimum area to recognize as a vessel. Any smaller items will be ignored

Value

a data frame containing the widths of the vessel in each row of the image, and if any rows were excluded due to overexposure

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