

# Package ‘MF’

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**Description** Calculate MF (mitigated fraction) with clustering and bootstrap options. See <http://goo.gl/pcXYVr> for definition of MF.

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MF-package	<i>MF Package</i>
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**Description**

Includes functions related to mitigated fraction.

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**Details**

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LazyLoad:	yes

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
#-----  
# Checking MF package  
#-----  
example(MFr)  
#-----  
# End examples  
#-----  
invisible()
```

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calflung	<i>calflung dataset</i>
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**Description**

something here

**Format**

a data frame with 50 observations of the following 2 variables, no NAs

**group** Treatment group. One of con = control or vac = vaccinate

**lesion** Percent lung lesion, in decimal form

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HLBoot	<i>Bootstrap CI for MF, HL, and Qdif</i>
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**Description**

Estimates bootstrap confidence intervals for MF, HL, and Qdif.

**Usage**

```
HLBoot(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"), b = 100,
        B = 100, alpha = 0.05, hpd = TRUE, bca = FALSE,
        return.boot = FALSE, trace.it = FALSE, seed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x + \text{cluster}(w)$ , where $y$ is a continuous response, $x$ is a factor with two levels of treatment, and $w$ is a factor indicating the clusters.
data	Data frame
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared
b	Number of bootstrap samples to take with each cycle
B	Number of cycles, giving the total number of samples = $B * b$
alpha	Complement of the confidence level
hpd	Estimate highest density intervals for MF and HL? Default TRUE.
bca	Estimate BCa intervals for MF? Default FALSE.
return.boot	Save the bootstrap samples of the statistics? Default FALSE.
trace.it	Verbose tracking of the cycles? Default FALSE.
seed	initial seed value. Ignored.

## Details

Estimates bootstrap confidence intervals for the mitigated fraction (MF), Hodge-Lehmann estimator (HL), and the difference of medians and quartiles (Qdif). The Hodges-Lehmann estimator is the media difference; it assumes that the two distributions have the same shape and differ by a constant shift.

## Value

a `mflboot-class` data object

## Author(s)

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## References

Hodges JL, Lehmann EL, (1963). Estimates of location based on rank tests. *Annals of Mathematical Statistics*. **34**:598–611.

Siev D, (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4**:500–508.

Efron B, Tibshirani RJ. *An Introduction to the Bootstrap*. Chapman and Hall, New York, 1993.

## See Also

`mflboot-class`

## Examples

```
HLBoot(lesion~group,calflung)

# Bootstrapping . . . . .
#
# 10000 bootstrap samples
# 95% confidence intervals
# Comparing vac to con
#
#
# Mitigated Fraction
#
#           observed median lower upper
# Equal Tailed      0.44 0.4464 0.1264 0.7056
# Highest Density    0.44 0.4464 0.1392 0.7120
#
#
# Hodges-Lehmann
#
#           observed median lower upper
# Equal Tailed    -0.07335 -0.07125 -0.1720537 -0.01430
# Highest Density -0.07335 -0.07125 -0.1563500 -0.00555
```

```
#
#
# Quartile Differences (quartiles of vac - quartiles of con)
#
#      observed      median      lower      upper
# Q25 -0.041500 -0.041300 -0.1034000 -0.000905
# Q50 -0.112525 -0.111175 -0.2811688  0.023200
# Q75 -0.168000 -0.168000 -0.3858500  0.023975
```

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mf-class

*Class mf*


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### Description

Parent class for package MF data objects.

### Fields

- `nboot`: numeric value specifying number of samples
- `alpha`: numeric value specifying complement of confidence interval
- `seed`: vector of integers specifying seed for pseudo-random number generator used
- `compare`: vector of character strings naming groups compared
- `rng`: character string naming type of random number generator

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### See Also

Other mf: [mfboot-class](#), [mfbootcluster-class](#), [mfhlboot-class](#)

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MFBoot

*Bootstrap MF CI*


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### Description

Estimates bootstrap confidence intervals for the mitigated fraction.

### Usage

```
MFBoot(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"), b = 100,
       B = 100, alpha = 0.05, hpd = TRUE, bca = FALSE,
       return.boot = FALSE, trace.it = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x$ , where $y$ is a continuous response and $x$ is a factor with two levels
data	Data frame
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared
b	Number of bootstrap samples to take with each cycle
B	Number of cycles, giving the total number of samples = $B * b$
alpha	Complement of the confidence level
hpd	Estimate highest density intervals? Default TRUE.
bca	Estimate BCa intervals? Default FALSE.
return.boot	Save the bootstrap sample of the MF statistic? Default FALSE.
trace.it	Verbose tracking of the cycles? Default FALSE.

**Details**

Resamples the data and produces bootstrap confidence intervals. Equal tailed intervals are estimated by the percentile method. Highest density intervals are estimated by selecting the shortest of all possible intervals. For BCa intervals, see Efron and Tibshirani section 14.3.

**Value**

a `mfboot-class` data object

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Siev D. (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4:500–508**

Efron B, Tibshirani RJ. *An Introduction to the Bootstrap*. Chapman and Hall, New York, 1993.

**See Also**

`mfboot-class`

**Examples**

```
MFBoot(lesion~group, calflung)

# 10000 bootstrap samples
# 95% confidence interval
#
# Comparing vac to con
```

```
#               observed median lower upper
# Equal Tailed    0.44 0.4464 0.1360 0.7056
# Highest Density  0.44 0.4464 0.1456 0.7088
```

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mfboot-class	<i>Class mfboot</i>
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## Description

class for data objects produced by MFBoot, contains class mf with the two additional fields *stat* and *stuff*.

## Fields

- `nboot`: numeric value specifying number of samples
- `alpha`: numeric value specifying complement of confidence interval
- `seed`: vector of integers specifying seed for pseudo-random number generator used
- `compare`: vector of character strings naming groups compared
- `rng`: character string naming type of random number generator
- `sample`: what is this?
- `stat`: matrix of estimates

## Contains

[mf-class](#)

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[MFBoot](#)

Other mf: [mf-class](#), [mfbootcluster-class](#), [mfhlboot-class](#)

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mfbootcluster-class	Class <i>mfbootcluster</i>
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## Description

Class mfbootcluster is created from output of function MFClusBoot

## Fields

- nboot: numeric value specifying number of samples
- alpha: numeric value specifying complement of confidence interval
- seed: vector of integers specifying seed for pseudo-random number generator used
- compare: vector of character strings naming groups compared
- rng: character string naming type of random number generator
- stat: matrix matrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for estimates
- what: character vector naming what was resampled: *clusters*, *units*, *both*
- excludedClusters: character vector naming clusters excluded because of missing treatment(s)
- call: the call to MFClusBoot
- sample: what is this?

## Contains

[mf-class](#)

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[MFClusBoot](#)

Other mf: [mf-class](#), [mfboot-class](#), [mfhlboot-class](#)



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MFClus	<i>Clustered mitigated fraction</i>
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## Description

Estimates mitigated fraction from clustered or stratified data.

## Usage

```
MFClus(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"),
       trace.it = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x + \text{cluster}(w)$ , where $y$ is a continuous response, $x$ is a factor with two levels of treatment, and $w$ is a factor indicating the clusters.
data	Data frame. See Note for handling of input data with more than two levels.
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared
trace.it	Verbose tracking of the cycles? Default FALSE.

## Details

Averages the U statistic over the clusters and computes MF from it. Clusters are excluded if they do not include both treatments.

## Value

a `mfcluster-class` data object

## Note

If input data contains more than two levels of treatment, rows associated with unused treatment levels will be removed.

Factor levels for treatments not present in the input data will be ignored.

Clusters with missing treatments will be excluded. See `mfbootcluster-class` or use `trace.it` to identify excluded clusters.

## Author(s)

David Siev <david.siev@aphis.usda.gov>

## References

Siev D. (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4**:500–508

See Also

[mfcluster-class](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
MFClus(lesion ~ group + cluster(litter), piglung)

# Comparing vac to con
#
# MF = 0.3533835
#
# By Cluster
#   w  u      r n1 n2      mf
# U 25 10 0.4000000  5  5 -0.2000000
# K 12  2 0.2500000  4  2 -0.5000000
# Z 16 10 0.8333333  3  4  0.6666667
# D  3  2 1.0000000  1  2  1.0000000
# N  1  0 0.0000000  1  3 -1.0000000
# T  8  5 0.8333333  2  3  0.6666667
# P  4  1 0.5000000  2  1  0.0000000
# L  3  2 0.6666667  1  3  0.3333333
# G 15  9 0.7500000  3  4  0.5000000
# J 15  9 1.0000000  3  3  1.0000000
# W  6  3 0.7500000  2  2  0.5000000
# A  9  3 0.3333333  3  3 -0.3333333
# X 12  6 1.0000000  3  2  1.0000000
# F 13  7 0.7777778  3  3  0.5555556
# S 21 11 0.9166667  4  3  0.8333333
# H 14  8 0.8888889  3  3  0.7777778
# Y  2  1 1.0000000  1  1  1.0000000
# E  2  1 1.0000000  1  1  1.0000000
#
# All
#   w  u      r n1 n2      mf
# All 181 90 0.6766917 50 52 0.3533835
#
# Excluded Clusters
# [1] M, Q, R, B, O, V, I, C

## End(Not run)
```

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MFClusBoot	<i>Bootstrap MF CI from clustered data</i>
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Description

Estimates bootstrap confidence intervals for the mitigated fraction from clustered or stratified data.

**Usage**

```
MFclusBoot(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"),
  boot.cluster = TRUE, boot.unit = FALSE, b = 100, B =
  100, alpha = 0.05, hpd = TRUE, return.boot = FALSE,
  trace.it = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x + \text{cluster}(w)$ , where $y$ is a continuous response, $x$ is a factor with two levels of treatment, and $w$ is a factor indicating the clusters.
data	Data frame. See Note for handling of input data with more than two levels.
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared
boot.cluster	Resample the clusters? Default TRUE
boot.unit	Resample the units within cluster? Default FALSE
b	Number of bootstrap samples to take with each cycle
B	Number of cycles, giving the total number of samples = $B * b$
alpha	Complement of the confidence level
hpd	Estimate highest density intervals? Default TRUE
return.boot	Save the bootstrap sample of the MF statistic? Default FALSE
trace.it	Verbose tracking of the cycles? Default FALSE

**Details**

Resamples the data and produces bootstrap confidence intervals. Equal tailed intervals are estimated by the percentile method. Highest density intervals are estimated by selecting the shortest of all possible intervals.

**Value**

a `mfbootcluster-class` data object

**Note**

If input data contains more than two levels of treatment, rows associated with unused treatment levels will be removed.  
 Factor levels for treatments not present in the input data will be ignored.  
 Clusters with missing treatments will be excluded. See `mfbootcluster-class` or use `trace.it` to identify excluded clusters.

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## References

Siev D. (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4:500–508**

Efron B, Tibshirani RJ. *An Introduction to the Bootstrap*. Chapman and Hall, New York, 1993.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
MFclusBoot(lesion ~ group + cluster(litter), piglung)

# Bootstrapping clusters. . . . .
#
# 10000 bootstrap samples of clusters
# Comparing vac to con
#
# 95% confidence interval
#
#           observed   median      lower    upper
# Equal Tailed  0.3533835 0.3630573 0.07382550 0.6567271
# Highest Density 0.3533835 0.3630573 0.07262462 0.6551724
#
# Excluded Clusters
# [1] M, Q, R, B, O, V, I, C

MFclusBoot(lesion ~ group + cluster(litter), piglung, boot.unit = T, b = 12, B = 12)

#### 144 resamples to save time
#
# Bootstrapping clusters. . . . .
# Bootstrapping units. . . . .
#
# 10000 bootstrap samples of clusters and units in treatment in cluster
# Comparing vac to con
#
# 95% confidence interval
#
#           observed   median      lower    upper
# Equal Tailed  0.3533835 0.3714286 -0.013888889 0.7162213
# Highest Density 0.3533835 0.3714286 -0.0001472081 0.7297387
#
# Excluded Clusters
# [1] M, Q, R, B, O, V, I, C

## End(Not run)
```

**Description**

Class mfcluster is created from output of function MFClus

**Fields**

- All: vector with elements:
  - $w$  Wilcoxon statistic
  - $u$  Mann-Whitney statistic
  - $r$  mean ridit
  - $n1$  size of group 1
  - $n2$  size of group 2
  - $mf$  mitigated fraction
- byCluster: As for All, by clusters
- excludedClusters: character vector naming clusters excluded because of missing treatment
- call: the call to MFClus
- compare: character vector naming groups compared

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**See Also**

[MFClus](#)

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mfcomponents-class	Class mfcomponents
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**Description**

Class mfcomponents is created from output of function MFSubj

**Fields**

- mf: numeric estimator for mitigated fraction
- x: numeric vector containing responses of group 1
- y: numeric vector containing responses of group 2
- subj: matrix where mf.j are the subject components
- compare: character vector naming groups being compared

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[MFSubj](#)

mfhlboot-class

Class mfhlboot

**Description**

class for data objects produced by HLBoot, contains class mf with additional fields *MFstat*, *HLstat*, *QDIFstat*, *QXstat*, *QYstat*

**Fields**

- nboot: numeric value specifying number of samples
- alpha: numeric value specifying complement of confidence interval
- seed: vector of integers specifying seed for pseudo-random number generator used
- compare: vector of character strings naming groups compared
- rng: character string naming type of random number generator
- sample: what is this?
- MFstatmatrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for Equal Tailed and Highest Density estimates of mitigated fraction (MF)
- HLstatmatrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for Equal Tailed and Highest Density estimates of Hodge-Lehmann estimator (HL)
- QDIFstatmatrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for estimates of Quartile Differences
- QXstatmatrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for quartiles of treatments
- QYstatmatrix with columns *observed*, *median*, *lower*, *upper* for quartiles of responses
- sample: what is this?

**Contains**[mf-class](#)**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[HLBoot](#)

Other mf: [mf-class](#), [mfboot-class](#), [mfbootcluster-class](#)

MFmp

*Mitigated fraction from matched pairs***Description**

Estimates mitigated fraction from matched pairs.

**Usage**

```
MFmp(formula=NULL, data=NULL, compare = c("con", "vac"),
      x=NULL, alpha=0.05, df=NULL, tdist=T)
```

**Arguments**

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x + \text{cluster}(w)$ , where $y$ is a continuous response, $x$ is a factor with two levels of treatment, and $w$ is a factor indicating the clusters.
data	Data frame
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared
x	Trinomial vector $\{\Sigma I(x < y), \Sigma I(x = y), \Sigma I(x > y)\}$
alpha	Complement of the confidence level.
df	Degrees of freedom. Default N-2
tdist	Use quantiles of t or Gaussian distribution for confidence interval? Default t distribution.

**Details**

Estimates  $MF$  from matched pairs by the difference of multinomial fractions  $(\Sigma I(x < y) - \Sigma I(x > y))/N$ . The trinomial vector is  $\{\Sigma I(x < y), \Sigma I(x = y), \Sigma I(x > y)\}$

**Value**

a `mfmp-class` data object

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Siev D. (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4:500–508**

**See Also**

`mfmp-class`

Examples

```
MFmp(les ~ tx + cluster(cage), mlesions, compare = c('con', 'vac'))
MFmp(x = c(12, 12, 2))
```

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mfmp-class	Class <i>mfmp</i>
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Description

Class mfmp is created from output of funtion MFmp

Fields

- ci: numeric vector of point and interval estimates
- x: numeric vector of length three holding data
- what: text string describing interval type
- alpha: numeric value specifying complement of confidence interval
- tdist: Logical indicating if t distribution(TRUE) or gaussian (FALSE)
- df: numeric value indicating degrees freedom

Author(s)

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See Also

[MFmp](#)

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MFr	Mitigated fraction
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Description

Mitigated fraction comparing treatment to control.

Usage

```
MFr(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"))
```

Arguments

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x$ , where y is a continuous response and x is a factor with two levels
data	Data frame
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels – compare[1] is the control or reference group to which compare[2] is compared



**Details**

The mitigated fraction is an estimator that quantifies an intervention's effect on reducing the severity of a condition. Since its units are on the probability scale, it is often a good idea to accompany it with an estimator on the original scale of measurement.

**Value**

The estimated mitigated fraction.

**Author(s)**

David Siev

**References**

Siev D, 2005. An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. 4:500-508

**Examples**

```
MFr(lesion~group,calflung)
# [1] 0.44
```

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MFSbj

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*Subject components of mitigated fraction*


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**Description**

Estimates the subject components of the mitigated fraction.

**Usage**

```
MFSbj(formula, data, compare = c("con", "vac"))
```

**Arguments**

formula	Formula of the form $y \sim x$ , where $y$ is a continuous response and $x$ is a factor with two levels
data	Data frame
compare	Text vector stating the factor levels - <code>compare[1]</code> is the control or reference group to which <code>compare[2]</code> is compared

## Details

The mitigated fraction is an estimator that quantifies an intervention's effect on reducing the severity of a condition. Since its units are on the probability scale, it is often a good idea to accompany it with an estimator on the original scale of measurement.

The subject components are the individual contributions of the treated subjects to  $MF$ , which is the average of the subject components.

## Value

a `mfcomponents-class` data object

## Author(s)

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## References

Siev D. (2005). An estimator of intervention effect on disease severity. *Journal of Modern Applied Statistical Methods*. **4:500–508**

## Examples

```
x <- MFSubj(lesion ~ group, calflung)
x

# MF = 0.44 comparing vac to con
#
# MF Subject Components
#
#   mf.j freq   min.y   max.y
#   1.00   6 0.000030 0.00970
#   0.84   1 0.012500 0.01250
#   0.76   3 0.016650 0.02030
#   0.68   6 0.023250 0.03190
#   0.04   1 0.132100 0.13210
#  -0.04   3 0.144575 0.16325
#  -0.20   2 0.210000 0.21925
#  -0.36   1 0.292000 0.29200
#  -0.52   1 0.356500 0.35650
#  -0.84   1 0.461500 0.46150

mean(x$subj[, 'mf.j'])

# [1] 0.44
```

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mlesions

*mlesions dataset*

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**Description**

something here

**Format**

a data frame with 52 observations of the following 3 variables, no NAs

**cage** Cage ID. 1 - 26

**tx** Treatment. One of 'con' or 'vac'

**les** Percent lung lesion

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piglung

*piglung dataset*

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**Description**

something here

**Format**

a data frame with 102 observations of the following 3 variables, no NAs

**lesion** Percent lung lesion

**group** Treatment group. One of 'con' or 'vac'

**litter** Litter ID

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