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[dyebias.application.subset](#), [dyebias.apply.correction](#), [dyebias.boxplot](#), [dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs](#), [dyebias.monotonicity](#), [dyebias.monotonicityplot](#), [dyebias.rgplot](#), [dyebias.trendplot](#).

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dyebias.application.subset

*Return a subset of reporters that can be dye bias-corrected reasonably well*

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### Description

Convenience function returning a subset of reporters that can be expected to be corrected reasonably well. Often, the logical AND of this set and that of `maW(data.norm) == 1.0` is used. The resulting subset is passed as the `application.subset`-argument to [dyebias.apply.correction](#).

### Usage

```
dyebias.application.subset(data.raw=NULL, min.SNR=1.5,
                           use.background=FALSE, maxA=15)
```

### Arguments

<code>data.raw</code>	A <code>marrayRaw</code> object whose normalized data is to be dye bias-corrected.
<code>min.SNR</code>	The minimum signal to noise ratio to require. It is loosely defined here as the foreground over the background signal. The background signal may not be real; see below.
<code>use.background</code>	Logical indicating whether or not to use the background signals <code>maRb(data.raw)</code> and <code>maGb(data.raw)</code> . If the <code>data.raw</code> object does not have them, specify <code>use.background=FALSE</code> . This will use the smallest foreground of all reporters instead of the real backgrounds.
<code>maxA</code>	The maximum signal that is still allowed.

### Details

This routine requires an `marrayRaw` object since only that contains the background intensities. If you only have normalized data, use something like

```
bg <- matrix(0.5, nrow=maNspots(data.norm), ncol=maNsamples(data.norm))
data.raw <- new("marrayRaw", maRf=maR(data.norm), maGf=maG(data.norm),
               maRb=bg, maGb=bg, maW=maW(data.norm))
```

### Value

A matrix of logicals with the same dimensions as those of `maRf{data.raw}` is returned.

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### References

Margaritis, T., Lijnzaad, P., van Leenen, D., Bouwmeester, D., Kemmeren, P., van Hooff, S.R and Holstege, F.C.P. (2009) Adaptable gene-specific dye bias correction for two-channel DNA microarrays. *Molecular Systems Biology*, 5:266, 2009. doi: 10.1038/msb.2009.21.

**See Also**

[dyebias.apply.correction](#)

**Examples**

```
## First load data and estimate the iGSDBs
## (see dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs)

### choose the estimators and which spots to correct:
estimator.subset <- dyebias.umcu.proper.estimators(maInfo(maGnames(data.norm)))

### choose which genes to dye bias correct. Typically, this is based
### both on flagged spots and intensity
application.subset <- maW(data.norm) == 1 &
  dyebias.application.subset(data.raw=data.raw, use.background=TRUE)

summary(application.subset)
```

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dyebias.apply.correction

*Perform dye bias correction using the GASSCO method*

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**Description**

Corrects the gene- and slide specific dye bias in a data set, using the GASSCO method by Margaritis et al.

**Usage**

```
dyebias.apply.correction(data.norm, iGSDBs, estimator.subset=TRUE,
  application.subset=TRUE, dyebias.percentile=5,
  minmaxA.perc=25, minA.abs=NULL, maxA.abs=NULL,
  verbose=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

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| data.norm | A marrayNorm object containing the data whose dye bias should be corrected. This object must be a complete marrayNorm object. In particular, maLabels(maGnames(data.norm)) should be set and indicate the identities of the spots. Spots with the same ID should contain the same oligo or cDNA sequence, and will receive the same dye bias correction.  |
| iGSDBs    | A data frame with the intrinsic gene specific dye bias per reporter (i.e., oligo or cDNA). The data frame would typically have come from a call to <a href="#">dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</a> , but this is not necessary; other estimates can also be used. The data frame must have (at least) the following columns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reporterId The name of the reporter. This must match the IDs in maLabels(maGnames(data.norm))</li> <li>• dyebias An estimate of the dye bias</li> </ul> |

- **A**  
The average expression value  $A$  of this reporter. ( $A = (\log_2(R) + \log_2(G))/2 = (\log_2(Cy5) + \log_2(Cy3))/2$ ). The  $A$ -value is used to base exclusions on. If you don't have it, you can use any value (but realize that the `minmaxA.perc`, `minA.abs`, `maxA.abs` arguments are still applied).

The order of the rows in this data frame is irrelevant. There must be no rows with duplicate `reporterId` in this frame.

For any reporter in `data.norm` that is not in the `iGSDBs` data frame, an `iGSDB` of 0.00 is used, i.e. data from such reporters is not dye bias-corrected.

`estimator.subset`

An index indicating which reporters are fit to be used as estimators of the slide bias. This set of reporters is used throughout the whole data set. Reporters that are typically excluded are those corresponding to parasitic DNA elements or mitochondrial genes.

`application.subset`

An index indicating which values must be dye bias-corrected. It should be either a vector with as many values as spots, or a matrix of the same dimensions as `mM(data.norm)`. In former case, the selected spots on all slides will be dye bias-corrected; in the latter, selected spots on selected slides will be corrected.

Often it is prudent not to dye bias-correct measurements that are close to the detection limit or close to signal saturation. A convenience function for this is provided; see

[dyebias.application.subset](#).

`dyebias.percentile`

The slide bias estimation uses a small subset of reporters having the strongest green or red `iGSDB`, as specified by this percentile. The default should suffice in practically all cases.

`minmaxA.perc`

To obtain a robust estimate of the slide bias, the range of the average expression  $A$  is trimmed by `minmaxA.perc` percent on both sides; only reporters lying inside this trimmed range are considered as estimators of the slide bias. The default value is 25, meaning that only probes with an average expression within the interquartile range are considered as estimator genes (from these, the top `dyebias.percentile` red- and green-biased are then actually used). The default value should suffice in practically all cases.

`minA.abs`

If specified, reporters with an average expression ( $A$ ) lower than this value are never considered as estimators of the slide bias. If not specified, reporters with an  $A$ -percentile  $<$  `minmaxA.perc` are not considered.

`maxA.abs`

If specified, reporters with an average expression ( $A$ ) greater than this are never considered as estimators of the slide bias. If not specified, reporters with an  $A$ -percentile  $<$  `100-minmaxA.perc` are not considered.

`verbose`

Logical specifying whether to be verbose or not

## Details

This function corrects the gene-specific dye bias of two-colour microarrays with the GASSCO method. This method is general, robust and fast, and is based on the observation that the total bias per gene is the product of a slide-specific factor (strongly related to the labeling percentage) and an intrinsic gene-specific factor (`iGSDB`), which is strongly related to the probe sequence.

The slide bias is estimated from the total bias of the `dyebias.percentile` percentage of reporters having the strongest `iGSDB`. The `iGSDBs` can be estimated with

[dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs](#).

If the signal of certain oligos is too weak, or in contrast, tends to be saturated, they are no good estimator of the slide bias. Therefore, only reporters with an average expression level  $A$  that is not too extreme are allowed to be slide bias estimators. (This is the reason for the  $A$ -column in the iGSDBs data frame).

Full control over which reporters to allow as slide bias estimators is given by the arguments `minmaxA.perc`, `minA.abs`, and `maxA.abs`; see there for details. To not exclude any reporter (e.g., when  $A$  is not available and therefore artificially set), you can use `minA.abs = -Inf` and `maxA.abs = Inf`.

For further details concerning the method, see the `dyebias` vignette and the publication. If your research benefits from using this package, we kindly request that you cite this work.

## Value

The data returned is a list with the following elements

<code>data.corrected</code>	A <code>marrayNorm</code> object of the same 'shape' as the input <code>data.norm</code> , but with corrected $M$ values.
<code>estimators</code>	Another list, containing the details of the reporters that were used to obtain an estimate of the slide bias. The contents of the <code>estimators</code> list are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>green.ids</code>The IDs of the reporters having the strongest green effect.</li> <li><code>green.cutoff</code>All reporters in <code>green.ids</code> have an iGSDB below this value.</li> <li><code>green.subset</code>An index into the reporters having the strongest green effect.</li> <li><code>green.iGSDBs</code>The corresponding iGSDBs</li> <li><code>red.ids</code>The IDs of the reporters having the strongest red effect.</li> <li><code>red.cutoff</code>All reporters in <code>green.ids</code> have an iGSDB above this value.</li> <li><code>red.subset</code>An index into the reporters having the strongest red effect.</li> <li><code>red.iGSDBs</code>The corresponding iGSDBs</li> </ul>
<code>summary</code>	A data frame summarizing the correction process per slide. It consists of the following columns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>slide</code>The slide number</li> <li><code>file</code>Which file it came from</li> <li><code>green.correction</code>The slide bias based on only the green bias of this slide</li> <li><code>red.correction</code>The slide bias based on only the red bias of this slide</li> <li><code>avg.correction</code>The total correction factor of this slide. This is in fact the slide bias</li> <li><code>var.ratio</code>The ratio of the variance of <math>M</math> after and before the correction. The smaller this number, the smaller the variance of <math>M</math> around the mean has become, providing a measure of the success of the dye bias correction. Only data points that were in the <code>application.subset</code> are considered.</li> <li><code>reduction.perc</code>As <code>var.ratio</code>, but expressed as a percentage. The larger this value, the greater the correction.</li> <li><code>p.value</code>The p-value for the significance of the reduction in variance (<math>F</math>-test; <math>H_0</math>: variances before and after correction are identical)</li> </ul>
<code>data.uncorrected</code>	The uncorrected input <code>marrayNorm</code> , for convenience

## Note

Note that the input data should be normalized, and that the dye swaps should **not** have been swapped back (if needed, this can of course be done afterwards).

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**See Also**

[dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs](#), [dyebias.application.subset](#), [dyebias.rgplot](#), [dyebias.maplot](#), [dyebias.boxplot](#), [dyebias.trendplot](#)

**Examples**

```
## First load data and estimate the iGSDBs
## (see dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs)

### choose the estimators and which spots to correct:
estimator.subset <- dyebias.umcu.proper.estimators(maInfo(maGnames(data.norm)))

### choose which genes to dye bias correct:
application.subset <- (maW(data.norm) == 1 &
  dyebias.application.subset(data.raw=data.raw, use.background=TRUE))

### do the correction:
correction <- dyebias.apply.correction(data.norm=data.norm,
  iGSDBs = iGSDBs.estimated,
  estimator.subset=estimator.subset,
  application.subset = application.subset,
  verbose=FALSE)

## Not run:
  edit(correction$summary)

## End(Not run)

## give overview:
correction$summary[,c("slide", "file", "avg.correction", "reduction.perc", "p.value")]

## and summary:
summary(as.numeric(correction$summary[, "reduction.perc"]))
```

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dyebias.boxplot

*Creates boxplots of the reporters with the strongest dye bias*

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**Description**

The aim of this routine is to show the magnitude of the dye bias across the data set, as well as the extent to which the GASSCO method could get rid of it. Typically, two boxplots would be shown, one before, one after dye bias correction. For esthetic reasons, the boxplots are usually ordered by the overall slide bias of the uncorrected data set. See also Margaritis et al. (2009), Fig. 1 and 3.

**Usage**

```
dyebias.boxplot(data, iGSDBs, dyebias.percentile=5,
                application.subset=TRUE, order, output=NULL,
                ylim=c(-4,4), ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	The marrayNorm object to boxplot.
iGSDBs	A data frame with intrinsic gene-specific dye biases, the same as that used in <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> , probably returned by <a href="#">dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</a> ; see there for documentation.
dyebias.percentile	The percentile of intrinsic gene specific dye biases (iGSDBs) for which to highlight the reporters.
application.subset	The set of reporters that was eligible for dye bias correction; same argument as for <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> .
order	If order==FALSE, no ordering of slides prior to boxplotting takes place. If order==NULL, the slides are sorted by increasing slide bias prior to boxplotting. This is typically done for data that is not yet dye bias corrected. This order is also returned as a value. If an order!=NULL, the slides are put this order before boxplotting. This is typically done for a dye bias-corrected data set, using the order of the uncorrected set. (See also Fig. 3 in the paper).
output	Specifies the output. If NULL, the existing output device is used; if output is one of "X11", "windows", "quartz", a new X11 (Unix)/windows (Windows)/quartz (Mac) device is created. If output is a string ending in one of ".pdf", ".png", ".eps", ".ps" is given, a file of that name and type is created and closed afterwards.
ylim	As for boxplot()
...	Other arguments (such as main, etc.) are passed on to boxplot().

**Value**

The order obtained, for use in a later call to this same function.

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**See Also**

[dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs](#), [dyebias.apply.correction](#), [dyebias.rgplot](#), [dyebias.maplot](#), [dyebias.trendplot](#)



**Examples**

```

ylim <- c(-1, 1)

layout(matrix(1:2, nrow=1,ncol=2))

order <- dyebias.boxplot(data=data.norm,
                        iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated, # from e.g. dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs
                        order=NULL,             # i.e., order by increasing slide bias
                        output=NULL,
                        main="before correction",
                        ylim=ylim)

order <- dyebias.boxplot(data=correction$data.corrected, # from dyebias.apply.correction
                        iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
                        order=order,             # order by the original slide bias
                        output=NULL,
                        main="after correction",
                        ylim=ylim
                        )

```

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dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs

*Estimate intrinsic gene specific dye biases (part of the GASSCO method)*

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**Description**

Obtain estimates for the intrinsic gene-specific dye bias (iGSDB) using a set of normalized data, as part of the GASSCO method.

**Usage**

```
dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs(data.norm, is.balanced=TRUE, reference="ref",
                        verbose=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

data.norm	A marrayNorm object containing the data for estimating the dye bias. This object is supposed to be complete. In particular, maLabels(maGnames(data.norm)) must be set and must indicate the identities of the reporter sequence (i.e., oligo or cDNA sequence) of each spot. This helps identify replicate spots, which are averaged as part of the estimation. If the data is unbalanced (so is.balanced is FALSE), maInfo(maTargets(data.norm)) is also required, and should contain at least two attributes: Cy5 and Cy3. Both should indicate the factor value for the respective channel.
is.balanced	The use of this argument is discouraged, since designs should generally be balanced. The values other than TRUE will become illegal in the future.

	Logical indicating whether the data set represents a balanced design (which is by far the most common case). A design is balanced if all factor values are present an equal number of times in both the forward and reverse dye orientations. A self-self design is by definition balanced (even if the number of slides is uneven). If <code>is.balanced</code> is TRUE, the iGSDB estimate is obtained by simply averaging, per reporter, all $M$ values (and the value of the reference argument is ignored). If <code>is.balanced==FALSE</code> , the design is inferred from the reference argument, and subsequently the limma package is used to model the dye effect. This is typically done for an unbalanced data set, but there is no harm in setting <code>is.balanced=FALSE</code> for a design that by itself is already balanced. If there are no missing values in the data, the results of using the simple average and the limma procedure are identical (although LIMMA takes longer to compute the iGSDBs). If the data set contains many missing data points (NA's), the limma estimates differ slightly from the simple averaged estimates (although it is not clear which ones are better).
reference	If the design contains a single common reference, the reference argument should be this common reference (which may not be empty). If the design contains multiple common references, reference should be a vector listing all the common references, and the name of the factor value that is not the common reference should have its own common reference as a prefix. E.g., if two mutant strains <code>mutA</code> and <code>mutB</code> were assayed, each against a separate common reference <code>ref1</code> and <code>ref2</code> , the reference-argument would be <code>c("ref1", "ref2")</code> , and the <code>Cy3</code> and <code>Cy5</code> attributes of <code>maInfo(maTargets(data.norm))</code> would be values from <code>"ref1:mutA"</code> , <code>"ref2:mutA"</code> , <code>"ref1:mutB"</code> , <code>"ref2:mutB"</code> . The colon is not important, but the prefix is, as it allows the association of each sample with its 'own' common reference.
verbose	Logical, indicating whether or not to be verbose.

## Details

This function implements the first step of the GASSCO method: estimating the so-called intrinsic gene specific dye biases, or briefly iGSDB. They can be estimated from a (preferably large) data set containing either self-self experiments, or dye-swapped slides.

The assumption underlying this approach is that with self-selfs, or with pairs of dye swaps, the only effect that can lead to systematic changes between `Cy5` and `Cy3`, is in fact the dye effect.

There are two cases to distinguish, the balanced case, and the unbalanced case. In the balanced case, the iGSDB estimate is simply the average  $M$  (where  $M = \log_2(R/G) = \log_2(Cy5/Cy3)$ ) over all slides. A set of slides is balanced if all factor values are present in as many dye-swapped as non-dye-swapped slides. A set of self-self slides is in fact a degenerate form of this, and is therefore also balanced.

In the unbalanced case, one could omit slides until the data set is balanced. However, this is wasteful as we can use linear modelling to obtain estimates. We use the limma package for this (Smyth, 2005). The only unbalanced designs currently supported are a common reference design, and a set of common reference designs.

There are no weights or subset argument to this function; the estimation is done for all reporters found. If there are replicate spots, they are averaged prior to the estimation (the reason being that we are not interested in p-values for the estimate)

Having obtained the iGSDB estimates, the corrections can be applied to either to the hybridizations given by the `data.norm` argument, or to a different set of slides that is thought to have very similar iGSDBs. Applying the corrections is done with [dyebias.apply.correction](#).

**Value**

A data frame is returned with as many rows as there are reporters (replicate spots have been averaged), and the following columns:

reporterId	The name of the reporter
dyebias	The intrinsic gene-specific dye bias (iGSDB) of this reporter
A	The average expression level of this reporter in the given data set
p.value	The $p$ -value for the dyebias ( $\$H_0$ : dyebias = 0). All $p$ -value are set to NA if they were not estimated (i.e., if limma was not run because is.balanced was TRUE)

This data frame is typically used as input to [dyebias.apply.correction](#).

**Note**

Note that the input data should be normalized, and that the dye swaps should **not** have been swapped back. After all, we're interested in the difference of Cy5 over Cy3, **not** the difference of experiment over reference.

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**See Also**

[dyebias.apply.correction](#)

**Examples**

```
iGSDBs.estimated <- dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs(data.norm,
                                           is.balanced=TRUE,
                                           verbose=FALSE)

summary(iGSDBs.estimated)

## Not run:
hist(iGSDBs.estimated$dyebias, breaks=50)

## End(Not run)
```

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dyebias.monotonicity *Calculate the degree of monotonicity of the dye bias across the slides.*  
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### Description

If you order genes by their iGSDB, and hybridizations by slide bias, the graphs of each gene should form a 'fan' out of the origin (see also `dyebias.trendplot`). This function gives measure of the extent to which this is true.

This function has been deprecated, as it is of limited use and takes too long to compute.

### Usage

```
dyebias.monotonicity(data,
                     iGSDBs, dyebias.percentile = 5,
                     order = NULL)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	The marrayNorm to determine the degree of monotonicity for
<code>iGSDBs</code>	A data frame with intrinsic gene-specific dye biases, the same as that used in <code>dyebias.apply.correction</code> , probably returned by <code>dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</code> ; see there for documentation.
<code>dyebias.percentile</code>	The percentile of intrinsic gene specific dye biases (iGSDBs) for which to highlight the reporters. Default should suffice in almost all cases.
<code>order</code>	If <code>order==NULL</code> , the slides are sorted by increasing slide bias prior to boxplotting. This is typically done for data that is not yet dye bias corrected. (This order is also returned in the object returned). If <code>order!=NULL</code> , the slides are put into this order first. This is typically done for a dye bias-corrected data set, using the order of the uncorrected set.

### Details

The total dye bias appears to be the product of iGSDB and slide bias. In other words, it is monotonous (always increasing or always decreasing), both with respect to the intrinsic gene specific dye bias and with respect to the slide bias. This function orders genes by their iGSDB and the slides by slide bias. Subsequently a linear regression of each gene is done, with  $x$  being the slide bias rank, (not the slide bias itself), and  $y$  being the  $M$ . The slopes of each linear regression line should be an increasing array of values, representing the 'fan' of lines. The degree to which this array is increasing is tested using the Mann-Kendall test, and is returned. In the case of uncorrected data,  $\tau$  is generally larger than 0.3. After correction,  $\tau$  should be close to zero.

### Value

A `dyebias.monotonicity` uses `cor.test`, which returns `hstest` object. To this list an extra element, `order`, is added, which indicates the ordering of the data set by slide bias. The degree of monotonicity is indicated by the `estimate` element; its significance by the `p.value` element.

**Note**

This function takes very long to compute, since it calculates regressions for each gene.

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**References**

Margaritis, T., Lijnzaad, P., van Leenen, D., Bouwmeester, D., Kemmeren, P., van Hooff, S.R and Holstege, F.C.P. (2009). Adaptable gene-specific dye bias correction for two-channel DNA microarrays. *Molecular Systems Biology*, 5:266, 2009. doi:10.1038/msb.2009.21.

**See Also**

[dyebias.trendplot](#), [dyebias.monotonicityplot](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
options(stringsAsFactors = FALSE)

library(dyebias)
library(dyebiasexamples)
data(data.raw)
data(data.norm)

### obtain estimate for the iGSDBs:
iGSDBs.estimated <- dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs(data.norm,
                                             is.balanced=TRUE,
                                             verbose=FALSE)

### choose the estimators and which spots to correct:
estimator.subset <- dyebias.umcu.proper.estimators(maInfo(maGnames(data.norm)))

application.subset <- maW(data.norm) == 1 &
  dyebias.application.subset(data.raw=data.raw, use.background=TRUE)

### do the correction:
correction <- dyebias.apply.correction(data.norm=data.norm,
                                       iGSDBs = iGSDBs.estimated,
                                       estimator.subset=estimator.subset,
                                       application.subset = application.subset,
                                       verbose=FALSE)

cat("monotonicity before correction")
monotonicity <- dyebias.monotonicity(data=data.norm,
                                    iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
                                    order=NULL)

monotonicity

cat("monotonicity after correction")

dyebias.monotonicity(data=correction$data.corrected,
                    iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
                    order= monotonicity$order)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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```
dyebias.monotonicityplot
```

*Show the degree of monotonicity of the dye bias across the slides. DEPRACATED*

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### Description

If you order genes by their iGSDB, and hybridizations by slide bias, the graphs of each gene should form a 'fan' out of the origin (see also `dyebias.trendplot`). This function plots the regression slope of each gene, ordered by iGSDB and slide bias. If the uncorrected total dye bias is indeed monotonous, an increasing trend should be visible.

This function has been deprecated, as it is of limited use and takes too long to compute.

### Usage

```
dyebias.monotonicityplot(data,
                          iGSDBs,
                          dyebias.percentile = 5,
                          order = NULL,
                          output = NULL,
                          pch = 19, cex = 0.3, cex.lab = 1.4,
                          ylim = c(-0.2, 0.2),
                          xlab = "rank", ylab = "slope",
                          sub = NULL,
                          ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	The marrayNorm to determine the degree of monotonicity for
<code>iGSDBs</code>	A data frame with intrinsic gene-specific dye biases, the same as that used in <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> , probably returned by <a href="#">dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</a> ; see there for documentation.
<code>dyebias.percentile</code>	The percentile of intrinsic gene specific dye biases (iGSDBs) for which to highlight the reporters. Default should suffice in almost all cases.
<code>order</code>	If <code>order==NULL</code> , the slides are sorted by increasing slide bias prior to boxplotting. This is typically done for data that is not yet dye bias corrected. (This order is also returned in the object returned). If <code>order!=NULL</code> , the slides are put into this order first. This is typically done for a dye bias-corrected data set, using the order of the uncorrected set.
<code>output</code>	Specifies the output. If <code>NULL</code> , the existing output device is used; if output is one of "X11", "windows", "quartz", a new X11 (Unix)/windows (Windows)/quartz (Mac) device is created. If output is a string ending in one of ".pdf", ".png", ".eps", ".ps" is given, a file of that name and type is created and closed afterwards.



```

### choose the estimators and which spots to correct:
estimator.subset <- dyebias.umcu.proper.estimators(maInfo(maGnames(data.norm)))

application.subset <- maW(data.norm) == 1 &
  dyebias.application.subset(data.raw=data.raw, use.background=TRUE)

### do the correction:
correction <- dyebias.apply.correction(data.norm=data.norm,
  iGSDBs = iGSDBs.estimated,
  estimator.subset=estimator.subset,
  application.subset = application.subset,
  verbose=FALSE)

layout(matrix(1:2, nrow=1,ncol=2))

order <- dyebias.monotonicityplot(data=data.norm,
  iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated, # from e.g. dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs
  order=NULL,             # i.e., order by increasing slide bias
  output=NULL,
  main="before correction"
)

order <- dyebias.monotonicityplot(data=correction$data.corrected,
  iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
  order=order,           # order by the original slide bias
  output=NULL,
  main="after correction"
)

## End(Not run)

```

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dyebias.rgplot

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*Produce scatterplots of the hybridization, with strongest dye biases highlighted.*


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## Description

Plots the  $\log_2(R)$  vs.  $\log_2(G)$  (or alternatively  $M$  vs.  $A$ ) signal of one slide, highlighting the reporters with the strongest red and green dye bias. Two lines indicate two-fold change. See also Margaritis et al. (2009), Fig. 1

## Usage

```

dyebias.rgplot(data, slide, iGSDBs, dyebias.percentile=5,
  application.subset=TRUE, output=NULL, xlim =
  c(log2(50),log2(50000)), ylim = c(log2(50),log2(50000)),
  xticks = c(100,1000,10000,10000), yticks =
  c(100,1000,10000,10000), pch = 19, cex = 0.3, cex.lab =
  1.4, ...)

dyebias.maplot(data, slide, iGSDBs, dyebias.percentile=5,
  application.subset=TRUE, output=NULL, xlim = c(6,16),
  ylim = c(-2,2), pch = 19, cex = 0.3, cex.lab = 1.4, ...)

```



**Arguments**

data	The marrayNorm object to plot one slide of.
slide	The index of the slide to plot; must be > 1, and < maNsamples(data)
iGSDBs	A data frame with intrinsic gene-specific dye biases, the same as that used in <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> , probably returned by <a href="#">dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</a> ; see there for documentation.
dyebias.percentile	The percentile of intrinsic gene specific dye biases (iGSDBs) for which to highlight the reporters.
application.subset	The set of reporters that was eligible for dye bias correction; same argument as for <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> .
output	Specifies the output. If NULL, the existing output device is used; if output is one of "X11", "windows", "quartz", a new X11 (Unix)/windows (Windows)/quartz (Mac) device is created. If output is a string ending in one of ".pdf", ".png", ".eps", ".ps" is given, a file of that name and type is created and closed afterwards.
xlim, ylim, xticks, yticks, pch, cex, cex.lab	Graphical parameters; see <code>par()</code>
...	Other arguments (such as main etc.) are passed on to <code>plot()</code> .

**Value**

None.

**Note**

The highlighted spots are *all spots* with an iGSDB that lies in the top- or bottom- `dyebias.percentile` of iGSDBS. That is, not just the estimator genes are highlighted.

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**See Also**

[dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs](#), [dyebias.apply.correction](#), [dyebias.rgplot](#), [dyebias.maplot](#), [dyebias.boxplot](#), [dyebias.trendplot](#)

**Examples**

```
## show both an RG-plot and an MA-plot of the uncorrected data and the
## corrected data next to each other.
```

```

slide <- 3                                # or any other other, of course

layout(matrix(1:4, nrow=2,ncol=2, byrow=TRUE))

dyebias.rgplot(data=data.norm,
               slide=slide,
               iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated, # from dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs
               main=sprintf("RG-plot, uncorrected, slide %d", slide),
               output=NULL)

dyebias.rgplot(data=correction$data.corrected,
               slide=slide,
               iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
               main=sprintf("RG-plot, corrected, slide %d", slide),
               output=NULL)

dyebias.maplot(data=data.norm,
               slide=slide,
               iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
               main=sprintf("MA-plot, uncorrected, slide %d",slide),
               output=NULL)

dyebias.maplot(data=correction$data.corrected,
               slide=slide,
               iGSDBs=iGSDBs.estimated,
               main=sprintf("MA-plot, corrected, slide %d",slide),
               output=NULL)

```

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dyebias.trendplot	<i>Creates a trend-plot of all reporters, binned by dye bias, with all slides ordered by slide bias.</i>
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## Description

The aim of this routine is to show the monotonicity of the total dye bias in the (uncorrected) data set. This is to judge whether the total dye bias of one reporter in one hybridization indeed behaves as the product of an intrinsic gene specific dye bias (iGSDB) and a slide specific factor (the slide bias), which is at the heart of the GASSCO method.

Showing the total dye bias of all reporters is too overwhelming, therefore the medians of the total dye bias after binning by intrinsic gene specific dye bias (as given in `dyebias$dyebias`) are plotted.

## Usage

```

dyebias.trendplot(data, iGSDBs, dyebias.percentile=5,
                  application.subset=TRUE, n.bins=20, order,
                  output=NULL, ylim=c(-1,1), cex=0.3, lty=1, lwd=1,
                  type="median", main="dye bias trend plot",
                  xlab="slide bias rank", ylab="M", sub=NULL, ...)

```

**Arguments**

data	The marrayNorm to trendplot.
iGSDBs	A data frame with intrinsic gene-specific dye biases, the same as that used in <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> , probably returned by <a href="#">dyebias.estimate.iGSDBs</a> ; see there for documentation.
dyebias.percentile	The percentile of intrinsic gene specific dye biases (iGSDBs) for which to highlight the reporters. Default should suffice in almost all cases.
application.subset	The set of reporters that was eligible for dye bias correction; same argument as for <a href="#">dyebias.apply.correction</a> .
n.bins	The number of bins into which to classify the reporters, based on their intrinsic gene-specific dye bias. The median of each bin is plotted.
type	What to print for each bin and hybridization. Valid values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• medianPlot the bin-median: the median of all genes in that bin and hybridization</li> <li>• meanPlot the mean of all genes in that bin and hybridization</li> <li>• genePlot the single gene that has the lowest squared distance to the bin-median over <i>all</i> hybridizations</li> <li>• median.genePlot the single gene that has the median squared distance to the bin-medians over <i>all</i> hybridizations</li> <li>• worst.genePlot the single gene that correlates worst with the bin-median over <i>all</i> hybridizations</li> </ul>
order	If order==NULL, the slides are sorted by increasing slide bias prior to boxplotting. This is typically done for data that is not yet dye bias corrected. This order is also returned as a value. If order!=NULL, the slides are put into this order before trendplotting. This is typically done for a dye bias-corrected data set, using the order of the uncorrected set.
output	Specifies the output. If NULL, the existing output device is used; if output is one of "X11", "windows", "quartz", a new X11 (Unix)/windows (Windows)/quartz (Mac) device is created. If output is a string ending in one of ".pdf", ".png", ".eps", ".ps" is given, a file of that name and type is created and closed afterwards.
ylim, lty, lwd, main, sub, cex, xlab, ylab	As for <code>matplot()</code>
...	Other arguments are passed on to <code>matplot()</code> .

**Value**

The order obtained, for use in a later call to this same function.

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