

# Package ‘HiBED’

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**Type** Package

**Title** HiBED

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**Description** Hierarchical deconvolution for extensive cell type resolution in the human brain using DNA methylation. The HiBED deconvolution estimates proportions up to 7 cell types (GABAergic neurons, glutamatergic neurons, astrocytes, microglial cells, oligodendrocytes, endothelial cells, and stromal cells) in bulk brain tissues.

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**URL** <https://github.com/SalasLab/HiBED>

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**Suggests** knitr, rmarkdown, testthat, IlluminaHumanMethylation450kmanifest

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**Description**

The function estimates proportions up to 7 cell types in brain tissues.

**Usage**

```
HiBED_deconvolution(Beta, h = 2)
```

**Arguments**

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| Beta | Methylation beta in the format of matrix or data frame or Mset or Summarized-Experiment from brain samples. |
| h    | Numeric variable. Specify the layer of deconvolution in the hierarchical model. Default is 2.               |

**Value**

A matrix with predicted cell proportions in brain tissues.

**Examples**

```
#Step 1: Load required libraries
library(FlowSorted.Blood.EPIC)
library(FlowSorted.DLPFC.450k)
#Step 2: Load example data and preprocess
Mset<-minfi::preprocessRaw(FlowSorted.DLPFC.450k)
Examples_Betas<-minfi::getBeta(Mset)
#Step 3: Run HiBED and show results
HiBED_result<-HiBED_deconvolution(Examples_Betas, h=2)
head(HiBED_result)
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| HiBED_Libraries | <i>HiBED library CpGs matrix stored in SummarizedExperiment for brain tissue DNA methylation deconvolution</i> |
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**Description**

This object contains 4 matrices of the the average DNA methylation values of the probes included in 4 layers of the HiBED deconvolution. These CpGs are used as the backbone for deconvolution and were selected because their methylation signature differs across the seven brain cell subtypes.

**Usage**

```
data("HiBED_Libraries")
```

**Format**

The list contains matrices are 81 x 3, 183 x 4, 237 x 5, 120 x 4

The format is: num [1:81, 1:3] 0.04592944 0.02268472 0.88886150 ...

**Value**

A list with 4 libraries in SummarizedExperiment formats

**Examples**

```
data("HiBED_Libraries")  
head(HiBED_Libraries)
```

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