

Package ‘alabaster.vcf’

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Description Save variant calling SummarizedExperiment to file and load them back as VCF objects.
This is a more portable alternative to serialization of such objects into RDS files.
Each artifact is associated with metadata for further interpretation;
downstream applications can enrich this metadata with context-specific properties.
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readVCF	<i>Read a VCF object from disk</i>
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Description

Read a [VCF](#) object from its on-disk representation.

Usage

```
readVCF(path, metadata, ...)
```

Arguments

path	String containing a path to a directory, usually generated by the saveObject method for VCF objects.
metadata	Named list of metadata for this object, see readObjectFile for details.
...	Further arguments passed to internal altReadObject calls.

Value

A [VCF](#) object.

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See Also

[saveObject](#), [VCF-method](#), to save VCF objects to disk.

Examples

```
f1 <- system.file("extdata", "structural.vcf", package="VariantAnnotation")
vcf <- readVcf(f1)

tmp <- tempfile()
saveObject(vcf, tmp)
readObject(tmp)
```

`saveObject, VCF-method` *Save a VCF object to disk*

Description

Save a [VCF](#) object to its on-disk representation, namely a VCF file with the same contents.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'VCF'
saveObject(x, path, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Any instance of a VCF class or one of its subclasses.
<code>path</code>	String containing the path to a directory in which to save <code>x</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to pass to specific methods.

Value

`x` is saved to file inside `path`, and `NULL` is returned.

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See Also

[readVCF](#), to read a VCF object back to the R session.

Examples

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vcf <- readVcf(f1)

tmp <- tempfile()
saveObject(vcf, tmp)
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