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enviPick-package	<i>Peak picking for high resolution liquid chromatography - mass spectrometry (LC-HRMS) data</i>
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## Description

Peak picking for centroided and baseline-corrected high-resolution LC-MS data.mzXML. Built on a three-step approach of (1) data partitioning, (2) unsupervised clustering of extracted ion chromatograms (EIC) and (3) shape-independent peak detection within individual EICs. Interactive plot access to all results and the underlying raw measurements. Browser UI for non-R users. Batch processing.

## Details

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After initial upload of an .mzXML file with [readMSdata](#), above steps (1) to (3) are calculated by [mzagglom](#), [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#), respectively. The wrapper for joint upload and processing is [enviPickwrap](#). The raw data and the results of each step, a so-called MSlist object, can be viewed by [plotMSlist](#), producing an interactive plot that conveniently offers zoom, drag and select functionality and easy identification of individual partitions, EIC cluster or peaks. Batch processing can be done via [enviPickbatch](#). To export a peak list from an MSlist object, use [writePeaklist](#).

For converting LC-HRMS measurement files from various vendor formats or .mzML to centroided .mzXML we strongly recommend the MSConvert tool from ProteoWizard; for centroidization choose Filters -> Peak Picking -> Prefer Vendor -> Add.

## Warning

This package has only been tested on HIGH-RESOLUTION Thermo Orbitrap and QExactive measurements processed (centroided) with ProteoWizard's MSConvert. It may not give satisfying results for chromatograms affected by mass shifts from centroid-centroid interferences prevalent at low resolutions.

## Note

In the package context, peak picking refers to extracting individual ion chromatograms (EICs) from centroided data and identifying peaks in these EICs. In the ProteoWizard MSConvert context, peak picking refers to identifying individual peaks within single HRMS scans, alias centroidization.

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**References**

Loos, M. (XXXX). Extraction of ion chromatograms by unsupervised clustering of high-resolution mass spectrometry data. Some Journal. Sometime.

ProteoWizard: Open Source Software for Rapid Proteomics Tools Development Darren Kessner; Matt Chambers; Robert Burke; David Agus; Parag Mallick Bioinformatics 2008 <http://proteowizard.sourceforge.net/>

**See Also**

[readMSdata](#) [mzaggglom](#) [mzpart](#) [mzclust](#) [mzpick](#) [plotMSlist](#) [enviPickwrap](#) [enviPickbatch](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

#####
# (1) Define path to an LC-HRMS .mzML file (not provided with package):

filepath.mzML<-"C:/.../2012_07_01.mzML"

# (2) Initialize an MSlist object and load this .mzML file into it:

MSlist<-readMSdata(filepath.mzML, MSlevel=c(1))

# (3) Partition the measurements now available in MSlist:

MSlist<-mzaggglom(MSlist,dmzgap=10,ppm=TRUE,drtgap=500,minpeak=4,maxint=1E7)

# (4) EIC clustering of the partitions now available in MSlist:

MSlist<-mzclust(MSlist,dmzdens=5,ppm=TRUE,drt dens=120,minpeak=4)

# (5) Peak picking within the EIC clusters now available in MSlist:

MSlist<-mzpick(MSlist, minpeak = 4, drtsmall = 50, drtfill = 10, drttotal = 200, recurs = 4,
weight = 2, SB = 3, SN=2, minint = 1E4, maxint = 1e+07, ended = 2)

# (6) Export a peak list now available in MSlist:

writePeaklist(MSlist,"directory","filename")

# (7) View your partitioning / EIC clustering / peak picking results:

plotMSlist(MSlist,ppmbar=10);
#####
#####
```

```
# Do above steps (1) to (5) in one wrap, then export a peak list:
```

```
MSlist<-enviPickwrap( filepath.mzML,
                      MSlevel=c(1),
                      dmzgap=10,
                      dmzdens=5,
                      ppm=TRUE,
                      drtgap=1000,
                      drtsmall=20,
                      drtdens=250,
                      drtfill=10,
                      drttotal=200,
                      minpeak=4,
                      recurs=10,
                      weight=2,
                      SB=3,
                      SN=2,
                      minint=10E4,
                      maxint=10E6,
                      ended=2,
                      progbar=TRUE
                    )

writePeaklist(MSlist,"directory","filename")
#####

## End(Not run)
```

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 enviPickbatch

*Batch peak picking for several .mzXML input files*


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## Description

Given a folder of .mzXML input files and subsequent processing, .csv peak tables with picked peaks are written to an output folder

## Usage

```
enviPickbatch(folderin, folderout, MSlevel=c(1), dmzgap=15, dmzdens=4,
              ppm=TRUE, drtgap=500, drtsmall=20, drtdens=250, drtfill=10, drttotal=200,
              minpeak=4, recurs=10, weight=2, SB=3, SN=2, minint=1E5, maxint=1E7,
              ended=2, progbar=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

folderin	Folder containing .mzXML input files
folderout	Destination folder for .csv peak tables
MSlevel	numeric 1 (MS) or 2 (MS-MS), <a href="#">readMSdata</a>

dmzgap	m/z gap width for partitioning, <a href="#">mzpart</a>
dmzdens	Maximum measurement deviation (+/-) of m/z within an EIC, <a href="#">mzclust</a>
ppm	dmzgap, given in ppm (TRUE) or as absolute value (FALSE)
drtgap	RT gap width for partitioning, <a href="#">mzpart</a>
drtsmall	Peak definition - RT window of a peak; cp. minpeak argument
drtdens	Maximum length of EICs, <a href="#">mzclust</a>
drtfill	RT gap length to be filled, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
drttotal	Maximum RT length of a single peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
minpeak	Peak definition - minimum number of measurements per peak to found in windows of drtsmall and dmzsmall, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
recurs	Maximum number of peaks within one EIC, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
weight	Weight for assigning measurements to a peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
SB	Signal-to-base ratio, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
SN	Signal-to-noise ratio, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
minint	Minimum intensity of a peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
maxint	Peaks above this intensity are always included, regardless of checks for SB or SN, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
ended	Within the peak detection recursion set by argument recurs, how often can a peak detection fail, to end the recursion? <a href="#">mzpick</a>
progbar	Show a progress bar (TRUE or FALSE)? May only work under Windows OS.

### Details

For further details on the parameter settings, please refer to the arguments of the underlying functions [readMSdata](#), [mzagglom](#), [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#).

### Value

Folder with .csv peak tables, each containing columns with: m/z (mean m/z of peak measurements), var\_m/z (m/z variation of peak measurements), max\_int (base-line corrected maximum intensity), sum\_int (sum of all base-line corrected peak measurement intensities), RT (retention time at maximum intensity), minRT (start peak RT), maxRT (end peak RT), peak# (peak ID number), EIC# (EIC ID number), Score (not yet implemented)

### Author(s)

Martin Loos

### See Also

[readMSdata](#) [mzagglom](#) [mzclust](#) [mzpick](#) [plotMSlist](#)

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 enviPickwrap

*Peak detection for LC-HRMS .mzML and .mzXML data*


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## Description

A wrapper combining data upload, partitioning, EIC clustering and EIC peak detection from [readMSdata](#), [mzagglom](#), [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#).

## Usage

```
enviPickwrap(filepath.mzXML, MSlevel=c(1), dmzgap=15, dmzdens=4, ppm=TRUE,
drtgap=500, drtsmall=20, drtdens=250, drtfill=10, drttotal=200, minpeak=4,
recurs=3, weight=2, SB=3, SN=2, minint=1E5, maxint=1E7, ended=2, progbar=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

filepath.mzXML	Path to the .mzXML file to be read, <a href="#">readMSdata</a>
MSlevel	numeric 1 (MS) or 2 (MS-MS), <a href="#">readMSdata</a>
dmzgap	m/z gap width for partitioning, <a href="#">mzpart</a>
dmzdens	Maximum measurement deviation (+/-) of m/z within an EIC, <a href="#">mzclust</a>
ppm	dmzgap, given in ppm (TRUE) or as absolute value (FALSE)
drtgap	RT gap width for partitioning, <a href="#">mzpart</a>
drtsmall	Peak definition - RT window of a peak; cp. minpeak argument
drtdens	Maximum length of EICs, <a href="#">mzclust</a>
drtfill	RT gap length to be filled, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
drttotal	Maximum RT length of a single peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
minpeak	Peak definition - minimum number of measurements per peak to found in windows of drtsmall and dmzsmall, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
recurs	Maximum number of peaks within one EIC, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
weight	Weight for assigning measurements to a peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
SB	Signal-to-base ratio, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
SN	Signal-to-noise ratio, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
minint	Minimum intensity of a peak, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
maxint	Peaks above this intensity are always included, regardless of checks for SB or SN, <a href="#">mzpick</a>
ended	Within the peak detection recursion set by argument recurs, how often can a peak detection fail, to end the recursion? <a href="#">mzpick</a>
progbar	Show a progress bar (TRUE or FALSE)? May only work under Windows OS.

## Details

For further details on the parameter settings, please refer to the arguments of the underlying functions [readMSdata](#), [mzagglom](#), [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#).

**Value**

MSlist	
State	MSlist[[1]]: tags the individual steps the MSlist has undergone for peak picking.
Parameters	MSlist[[2]]: saves the parameter settings.
Results	MSlist[[3]]: saves the result summary values
Scans	MSlist[[4]]: matrix with raw measurements (m/z, intensity, RT) and tags for partitions, EIC cluster or individual peaks.
Partition_Index	MSlist[[5]]: Index assigning partitions to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Required for fast (random) access, e.g., plotting.
EIC_index	MSlist[[6]]: Index assigning EIC clusters to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Required for fast access.
Peak_index	MSlist[[7]]: Index assigning picked peaks to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Required for fast access.
Peaklist	MSlist[[8]]: Final peak list, cp. <a href="#">mzpick</a>

**Author(s)**

Martin Loos

**See Also**

[readMSdata](#) [mzagglom](#) [mzclust](#) [mzpick](#) [plotMSlist](#)

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mzagglom

*Agglomerative partitioning of raw LC-HRMS measurements*

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**Description**

Agglomerative partitioning of LC-HRMS measurements. Preparatory step for [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#). Requires an MSlist initialized by [readMSdata](#) as input.

**Usage**

```
mzagglom(MSlist, dmzgap = 10, ppm = TRUE, drtgap = 500, minpeak = 4,
maxint=1E7, progbar=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

MSlist	MSlist generated by <a href="#">readMSdata</a>
dmzgap	m/z gap width for partitioning
ppm	dmzgap given in ppm (TRUE) or as absolute value (FALSE)?
drtgap	RT gap width for partitioning

minpeak	Minimum number of measurements in a partition
maxint	Measurements equal or above this intensity will be retained even if ranging below minpeak
progbar	For debugging, ignore

### Details

Partitioning of the full set of measurements into subsets is necessary to speed up the clustering procedure of [mzclust](#). To this end, an agglomerative partitioning approach is used, combining measurements that are linked by values smaller than `drtgap` and `dmzgap` into single subsets. No measurements of two different subsets can be closer than `drtgap` and `dmzgap` to each other.

### Value

Returns the argument `MSlist`, with entries made:

Parameters	<code>MSlist[[2]]</code> : saves the parameter settings.
Scans	<code>MSlist[[4]]</code> : matrix with raw measurements and tags resorted for partitions.
Partition_Index	<code>MSlist[[5]]</code> : Index assigning partitions to sections in the raw measurement of <code>MSlist[[4]]</code> ; required for fast (random) access.

### Imbecile

Do not set `minpeak` bigger than its counterpart in [mzclust](#) or [mzpick](#). Too complicated? Then rather use [enviPickwrap](#) for adjusting all function arguments.

### Warning

Despite optimized code, this function has a potential to run for a intolerable long time or out of memory if (a) the parameters are set wrongly, (b) the `.mzML/.mzXML`-file was not centroided or (c) the underlying data is inadequate for this peak picker. With regards to (a), do not assume gaps being larger than actually present. Instead, use [plotMSlist](#) to have a look at your data contained in `MSlist` after upload with [readMSdata](#).

### Author(s)

Martin Loos

### See Also

[mzclust](#), [mzpart](#)



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mzclust *EIC-clustering of LC-HRMS data.*

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## Description

Based on the measurement partitions generated by [mzaggglom](#), extracted ion chromatograms (EICs) are assigned by a clustering procedure. Preparatory step for [mzpick](#).

## Usage

```
mzclust(MSlist, dmzdens=10, ppm=TRUE, drtdens=60, minpeak=4, maxint=1E6,
        progbar=FALSE, merged=TRUE, from=FALSE, to=FALSE )
```

## Arguments

MSlist	MSlist returned by <a href="#">mzpart</a>
dmzdens	Maximum measurement deviation (+/-) of m/z from its mean within each EIC
ppm	dmzdens given in ppm (TRUE) or as absolute value (FALSE)?
drtdens	Retention time (RT) tolerance for clustering; defined as (+/-) time units relative to the lowest and highest RT value in each cluster
minpeak	Minimum number of measurements expected in an EIC
maxint	EIC cluster with measurements above this intensity are kept, even if they do not fulfill minpeak
progbar	For debugging, ignore
merged	Merge EIC cluster of comparable m/z (TRUE or FALSE)?
from	For debugging, ignore
to	For debugging, ignore

## Details

Within individual partitions calculated by [mzaggglom](#), an unsupervised clustering of measurements to individual ion chromatograms (EICs) is performed. For this purpose, a first EIC cluster is initialized with the most intense measurement, given an m/z uncertainty of  $2 \cdot \text{dmzdens}$ . Along decreasing intensities, all other measurements are then sequentially either assigned to this cluster or used to define new clusters. For assignment, measurements must range both within the current tolerances of dmzdens and drtdens of an existing cluster. If several cluster are eligible for assignment, the one with the smallest mass difference between measurement m/z and cluster mean m/z will be used. Each time a new assignment to an existing cluster is made, its m/z estimate can be improved, i.e., the dmzdens tolerance around its mean m/z gradually shrinks from  $2 \cdot \text{dmzdens}$  to dmzdens. In addition, dmzdens is used to update the RT tolerance of a cluster at each assignment.

With no measurements left, EIC clusters nested in m/z are then merged, relative to the m/z boundaries of the most intense cluster and stepwise along increasing mean m/z differences. Finally, EIC cluster are filtered to fulfill either minpeak or maxint.

**Value**

Returns the argument MSlist, with entries made:

Parameters	MSlist[[2]]: saves the parameter settings.
Scans	MSlist[[4]]: matrix with raw measurements and tags resorted for EIC clusters within the partition subsets.
EIC_index	MSlist[[6]]: Index assigning EIC cluster to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]; required for fast (random) access.

**Note**

Too small values for dmzdens or too large drtdens may cause erratic EICs cluster

**Author(s)**

Martin Loos

**References**

Loos, M. (XXXX). Extraction of ion chromatograms by unsupervised clustering of high-resolution mass spectrometry data. *Some Journal*. Sometime.

**See Also**

[mzpick](#)

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mzpart

*Divisive partitioning of raw LC-HRMS measurements*

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**Description**

Divisive recursive partition of LC-HRMS measurements. Preparatory step for [mzclust](#) and [mzpick](#); alternative to [mzagglom](#). Requires an MSlist initialized by [readMSdata](#) as input.

**Usage**

```
mzpart(MSlist, dmzgap = 10, drtgap = 500, ppm = TRUE,  
minpeak = 4, peaklimit = 2500, cutfrac = 0.1, drtsmall=50,  
probar = FALSE, stoppoints = 2e+05)
```

**Arguments**

MSlist	MSlist generated by <a href="#">readMSdata</a>
dmzgap	m/z gap width for partitioning
drtgap	RT gap width for partitioning
ppm	dmzgap given in ppm (TRUE) or as absolute value (FALSE)?
minpeak	Minimum number of measurements in a partition
peaklimit	Maximum number of measurements in a partition
cutfrac	Fraction of low density measurements to be discarded
drtsmall	RT tolerance used to estimate density
progbar	For debugging, ignore
stoppoints	For debugging, ignore

**Details**

This function searches recursively for gaps in retention time (RT) and m/z in the LC-HRMS measurements and thus partitions (and resorts) the matrix contained in `MSlist[[4]]`. If neither partitioning by RT nor by m/z results in a small enough partition of  $\leq$  `peaklimit` measurements, a fraction `cutfrac` of lowest-density measurements is discarded and the partition procedure resumed. Measurement-wise density is based on a gaussian kernel density estimate scaled to `dmzgap` and `drtsmall`, i.e., to the local neighbourhood of each measurement.

Partitioning is necessary to speed up the clustering procedure of [mzclust](#). Hence, there is a trade-off: large values of `peaklimit` leads to faster execution of [mzpart](#) but to slower computation of [mzclust](#) and vice versa.

**Value**

Returns the argument `MSlist`, with entries made:

Parameters	<code>MSlist[[2]]</code> : saves the parameter settings.
Scans	<code>MSlist[[4]]</code> : matrix with raw measurements and tags resorted for partitions.
Partition_Index	<code>MSlist[[5]]</code> : Index assigning partitions to sections in the raw measurement of <code>MSlist[[4]]</code> ; required for fast (random) access.

**Imbecile**

Do not set `minpeak` bigger than its counterpart in [mzclust](#) or [mzpick](#). Too complicated? Then rather use [enviPickwrap](#) for adjusting all function arguments.

**Warning**

Despite optimized code, this function has a potential to run for a intolerable long time or out of memory if (a) the parameters are set wrongly, (b) the `.mzML/.mzXML`-file was not centroided or (c) the underlying data is inadequate for this peak picker. With regards to (a), do not assume gaps being larger than actually present. Instead, use [plotMSlist](#) to have a look at your data contained in

MSlist after upload with [readMSdata](#); set progbar=TRUE to monitor where a function fails. Once settled, set progbar=FALSE for faster execution.

To avoid running out of memory, stoppoints sets the maximum number of measurements that can be handled in the routines to delete those of lowest intensity (in cases where peaklimit cannot be reached by partitioning by dmzgap and drtgap alone). If above stoppoints, execution aborts.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[mzclust](#)

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mzpick

*EIC peak picking*

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### Description

Peak-picking within individual EIC cluster formed by [mzclust](#) without assuming a certain peak shape. Includes a baseline subtraction step.

### Usage

```
mzpick(MSlist, minpeak = 4, drtsmall = 20, drtfill = 10, drttotal = 200, recurs = 4,
weight = 2, SB = 3, SN=2, minint = 1E4, maxint = 1e+07, ended = 2, progbar = FALSE,
from = FALSE, to = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

MSlist	An MSlist returned by <a href="#">mzclust</a>
minpeak	Peak definition - minimum number of measurements required within the RT window of drtsmall
drtsmall	Peak definition - RT window of a peak; cp. minpeak argument
drtfill	Maximum RT gap length to be filled, cp. details
drttotal	Peak definition - Maximum RT length of a single peak
recurs	Maximum number of peaks within one EIC, cp. details
weight	Weight for assigning measurements to a peak, cp. details
SB	Peak definition - signal-to-base ratio
SN	Peak definition - signal-to-noise ratio
minint	Peak definition - minimum intensity of a peak
maxint	Peaks above this intensity are always retained, regardless of other checks
ended	Within the peak detection recursion set by argument recurs, how often can a peak detection fail to end the recursion?

progbar	For debugging, ignore
from	For debugging, ignore
to	For debugging, ignore

## Details

In a first step, RT gaps between measurements in an EIC not larger than `drtfill` are filled by linear interpolation. Subsequently, peaks are assigned over a number of `recurs` recursions not interrupted by more than ended times of failed peak detections.

At each recursion, the most intense EIC measurement not yet assigned to a peak is selected as peak apex and neighbouring unassigned measurements at lower and higher RT are evaluated for forming the peak. To this end, increases (lower RT) and decreases (higher RT) in intensity of consecutive measurements over a maximum RT width of `drtdens` are summed and penalized by a factor of weight for intensity reversions. The measurements with optimum values are then selected to define the start and end measurement of the peak.

Thereupon, the candidate peak is checked to (a) have at least `minpeaks` within a RT window of `drtsmall`, (b) be larger than the minimum peak intensity `minint` and (c) have a minimum SB ratio (the ratio between the most intense measurement and the minimum intensity of the first or last peak measurement). Candidate peaks failing in any of the aspects (a) to (c) are discarded (adding to ended), unless they are higher in intensity than `maxint`.

Next, all measurements assigned to peaks are removed from the EIC and the resulting gaps linearly interpolated and smoothed by a moving window average to form a baseline. The latter is then subtracted from the assigned peaks.

In a last step, peaks are checked for their signal-to-noise SN ratio in relation to the baseline measurements (if present). Herein, SN is defined as the ratio between the most intense (baseline-corrected) peak measurement and the median of the difference between the non-peak measurements (if any) and the baseline.

## Value

Returns the argument `MSlist`, with entries made:

Parameters	<code>MSlist[[2]]</code> : saves the parameter settings.
Scans	<code>MSlist[[4]]</code> : matrix with raw measurements and tags for picked peaks within EICs within partitions.
Peak_index	<code>MSlist[[7]]</code> : Index assigning picked peaks to sections in the raw measurement of <code>MSlist[[4]]</code> . Required for fast access.
Peaklist	<code>MSlist[[8]]</code> : matrix with picked peak characteristics, with columns: <code>m/z</code> (mean <code>m/z</code> of peak measurements), <code>var_m/z</code> ( <code>m/z</code> variation of peak measurements), <code>max_int</code> (base-line corrected maximum intensity), <code>sum_int</code> (sum of all base-line corrected peak measurement intensities), <code>RT</code> (retention time at maximum intensity), <code>minRT</code> (start peak RT), <code>maxRT</code> (end peak RT), <code>peak#</code> (peak ID number), <code>EIC#</code> (EIC ID number) and <code>Score</code> (not yet implemented).

## imbecile

ended must be smaller than `recurs`. `minpeak` and `drtsmall` should be congruent in both and `mzclust` and `mzpick`.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[plotMSlist](#) [writePeaklist](#)

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`plotMSlist`*Interactive raw data and result viewer*

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**Description**

View your centroided LC-HRMS data and partitioning / clustering / peak-picking results. Monitor what peak-picking produces and if it fails; get a grip on optimal parameter settings from comparison with underlying raw data.

**Usage**

```
plotMSlist(MSlist, RTlimit = FALSE, mzlimit = FALSE, shiny = FALSE, ppmbar = 8)
```

**Arguments**

<code>MSlist</code>	An MSlist returned by <a href="#">readMSdata</a> , <a href="#">mzpart</a> , <a href="#">mzclust</a> or <a href="#">mzpick</a>
<code>RTlimit</code>	Initialize plot: two-element vector of lower and upper RT plot limits. Set to FALSE to view full data.
<code>mzlimit</code>	Initialize plot: two-element vector of lower and upper m/z limits. Set to FALSE to view full data.
<code>shiny</code>	For debugging. Ignore.
<code>ppmbar</code>	Size of m/z bar (in ppm) shown at large zoom

**Details**

For more help, use the help button in the interactive plot. Based on low-level R plot functionality!

**Note**

MSlist may contain a lot of data; rendering of measurements for plotting may thus decrease in speed when zooming out or using the full-view mode.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[readMSdata](#) [mzagglom](#) [mzclust](#) [mzpick](#)

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readMSdata	<i>Read LC-HRMS measurement .mzXML data</i>
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## Description

Initiates an MSlist object and reads LC-HRMS measurement data from .mzXML files.

## Usage

```
readMSdata(filepath.mzXML, MSlevel=c(1), progbar=FALSE, minRT=FALSE,
maxRT=FALSE, minmz=FALSE, maxmz=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

filepath.mzXML	Path to the .mzXML file to be read
MSlevel	numeric 1 (MS) or 2 (MS-MS)
progbar	Show a progress bar (TRUE or FALSE)? Might only work in Windows OS
minRT	Filter for measurements with retention time $\geq$ minRT. Otherwise set to FALSE.
maxRT	Filter for measurements with retention time $\leq$ maxRT. Otherwise set to FALSE.
minmz	Filter for measurements with m/z $\geq$ minmz. Otherwise set to FALSE.
maxmz	Filter for measurements with m/z $\leq$ maxmz. Otherwise set to FALSE.

## Details

The return value, a so-called MSlist object, is a simple R list object that contains (a) the raw measurement data, (b) intermediate/final results of the peak picking procedure and (c) indices for random access, to be passed among functions. Peaks are nested in EIC clusters which in turn are nested in partitions which in turn are subsets of measurements; MSlist[[4]] is resorted accordingly during all peak picking steps.

Setting minRT, maxRT, minmz or maxmz allows you to filter your .mzML data. On the one hand, this may be very useful if only being interested in certain ranges of an experiment. On the other hand, this allows you to upload subset data of an experiment too large to be loaded into R at once.

## Value

MSlist	
State	MSlist[[1]]: tags the individual steps the MSlist has undergone.
Parameters	MSlist[[2]]: saves parameter settings.
Results	MSlist[[3]]: saves a result summary.
Scans	MSlist[[4]]: matrix with raw measurements (m/z, intensity, RT) and tags for partitions, EIC cluster and individual peaks.
Partition_Index	MSlist[[5]]: Index assigning partitions to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Needed for fast (random) access during, e.g., plotting.

EIC_index	MSlist[[6]]: Index assigning EIC clusters to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Required for fast access.
Peak_index	MSlist[[7]]: Index assigning picked peaks to sections in the raw measurement of MSlist[[4]]. Required for fast access.
Peaklist	MSlist[[8]]: Final peak list, cp. <a href="#">mzpick</a>

**Warning**

Use [plotMSlist](#) to check your data in MSlist for consistency at an early stage before further processing.

**Note**

It is your responsibility to ensure your input files are centroided. If not, R may freeze and the peak picker will not return valid results.

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**See Also**

[mzagglom](#)

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webpick

*enviPick web browser UI*

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**Description**

Run *enviPick* conveniently from a web browser-based user interface

**Usage**

```
webpick()
```

**Arguments**

check webpage

**Warnings**

May not work with Microsoft Internet Explorer; better choose a different default browser (e.g., Google Chrome).

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writePeaklist	<i>Export a .csv peak table from an MSlist object</i>
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**Description**

Given an MSlist object containing peak picking results from [mzpick](#), export a peak table.csv.

**Usage**

```
writePeaklist(MSlist, directory, filename, overwrite = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

MSlist	A MSlist object generated by <a href="#">enviPickwrap</a> or <a href="#">mzpick</a>
directory	Character string with the directory to write to
filename	Name of the .csv file to create
overwrite	TRUE/FALSE

**Value**

.csv table, with columns:

m/z (mean m/z of peak measurements), var\_m/z (m/z variation of peak measurements), max\_int (base-line corrected maximum intensity), sum\_int (sum of all base-line corrected peak measurement intensities), RT (retention time at maximum intensity), minRT (start peak RT), maxRT (end peak RT), peak# (peak ID number), EIC# (EIC ID number), Score (not yet implemented)

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