

# Package ‘MuData’

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**Title** Serialization for MultiAssayExperiment Objects

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**Description** Save MultiAssayExperiments to h5mu files supported by muon and mudata.  
Muon is a Python framework for multimodal omics data analysis. It uses an HDF5-based format for data storage.

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readH5AD	<i>Read an .h5ad file and create a <a href="#">SingleCellExperiment</a>.</i>
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## Description

In file-backed mode, the main X matrix is not read into memory, but references the HDF5 file and its required parts are read on demand. This requires the HDF5Array package to be installed.

## Usage

```
readH5AD(file, backed = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

file	Path to the .h5ad file.
backed	Whether to use file-backed mode.

## Value

A [SingleCellExperiment](#).

## Examples

```
data(miniACC, package="MultiAssayExperiment")
writeH5AD(miniACC[[1]], "miniacc.h5ad")
sce <- readH5AD("miniacc.h5ad")
```

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readH5MU	<i>Read an .h5mu file and create a <a href="#">MultiAssayExperiment</a>.</i>
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**Description**

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**Usage**

```
readH5MU(file, backed = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

file	Path to the .h5mu file.
backed	Whether to use file-backed mode.

**Value**

A [MultiAssayExperiment](#)

**Examples**

```
data(miniACC, package="MultiAssayExperiment")
writeH5MU(miniACC, "miniacc.h5mu")
mae <- readH5MU("miniacc.h5mu")
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writeH5AD	<i>Save an experiment to an .h5ad file.</i>
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**Description**

Note that NA values are not supported by HDF5, and therefore by h5ad. The behavior of this function if NAs are present is undefined.

**Usage**

```
writeH5AD(object, file, overwrite)
```

**Arguments**

object	The object to save.
file	Name of the file to save to.
overwrite	Currently unused.

**Value**

NULL, invisibly

**Examples**

```
data(miniACC, package="MultiAssayExperiment")
writeH5AD(miniACC[[1]], "miniacc.h5ad")
```

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writeH5MU

*Save a [MultiAssayExperiment](#) to an *.h5mu* file.*

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Note that NA values are not supported by HDF5, and therefore by h5mu. The behavior of this function if NAs are present is undefined.

**Usage**

```
writeH5MU(object, file, overwrite)
```

**Arguments**

object	A <a href="#">MultiAssayExperiment</a> .
file	Name of the file to save to.
overwrite	Currently unused.

**Value**

NULL, invisibly

**Examples**

```
data(miniACC, package="MultiAssayExperiment")
writeH5MU(miniACC, "miniacc.h5mu")
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