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add.multimir.links

Add External Database Link for Each of the multiMiR Result Entry

Description

This is an internal multiMiR function that is not intended to be used directly. Please use get_multimir.

Usage

add.multimir.links(x, org)

Arguments

x table/dataset returned by multimir db
org Organism (see get_multimir)

Value

The input data frame x with a column added for the external database links.

all_tables

Functions defining the category each table belongs to.

Description

One of three types: predicted, validated, or diseasedrug. Additionally two functions define characteristics of tables: those without a target column tables_wo_target and those with conserved target sites conserved_tables.

Usage

all_tables()

validated_tables()

predicted_tables()

diseasedrug_tables()

tables_wo_target()

conserved_tables()

reverse_table_lookup(.table)

table_types()
Arguments

.table a table name

Value

Returns dataset that names that belong to the category of the function name (e.g. validated_tables() returns tables with validated miRNA-target interactions). reverse_table_lookup() does the opposite; it returns the category a given .table belongs to.

Examples

all_tables()
validated_tables()
predicted_tables()
diseasedrug_tables()
predicted_tables() %in% all_tables() # TRUE
table_types()
as_mmsql_components

S3 Class constructors for objects defining SQL query components and a collection of these parts (mmsql_components).

Description

The collection object has a defined set of components that match the multiMiR database and defined options in get_multimir(). Conceptually this is split into two parts, the relatively straightforward SELECT, FROM, and ON portion of the query and the more complex filtering and sorting operations: WHERE and ORDER BY. The latter have their own classes, the former are resolved as strings (or character vectors) in the functions defining handling of each sql table (sql_prefix).

Usage

as_mmsql_components(.select = NULL, .from = NULL, .on = NULL, .where_list = NULL, .orderby = NULL, typeattr = NULL)

as_where_list(...)

as_where(.vars, .connect = NULL, .operator, .value = "%s")

is_where(x)

as_orderby(.vars, .order)

Value

as_mmsql_components: A collection of components that make up a SQL query. as_where_list, as_where, as_orderby: Individual components of a SQL query.

build_mmsql

Constructors for parts of SQL queries Expand_query converts a mmyquery object to a SQL query string

Description

Constructors for parts of SQL queries Expand_query converts a mmyquery object to a SQL query string

Usage

build_mmsql(.table, org, mirna = NULL, target = NULL, disease.drug = NULL, predicted.site = NULL, predicted.cutoff.type = NULL, predicted.cutoff = NULL, limit = NULL)
deprecate_arg

expand_query(x)
expand_select(x)
expand_from(x)
expand_on(x)
expand_where_list(x)
expand_where(x)
expand_orderby(x)
expand_limit(x)
merge_order(.list)

Value
A complete SQL statement and related information.

default_cutoff If null, set default predicted.cutoff

Description
If null, set default predicted.cutoff

Usage
default_cutoff(predicted.cutoff.type, predicted.cutoff)

Value
The default cutoff value.

deprecate_arg Internal function for sending deprecation messages

Description
Internal function for sending deprecation messages

Usage
deprecate_arg(name = c("url", "schema.file", "db.tables", "cutoff.file"))
**extract_mmquery**

**Arguments**

- **name**  
  Name of a deprecated function argument.

**Value**

A message indicating deprecated arg and new version.

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**extract_mmquery**  
*Creates all objects needed for the legacy S3 return object and the new S4 object.*

**Description**

Creates all objects needed for the legacy S3 return object and the new S4 object.

**Usage**

```r
extract_mmquery(outlist, org, .args, summary = FALSE, use.tibble = FALSE)
```

**Value**

A list of data queried, summary of results, and related input parameters.

- a list for packaging by `as.mmquery` and `as.mmquery_bioc`

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**get.multimir.cutoffs**  
*Load Pre-calculated Prediction Score Cutoffs in the multiMiR Package*

**Description**

This is an internal multiMiR function that is not intended to be used directly. Please set prediction score cutoff in `get_multimir`.

**Usage**

```r
get.multimir.cutoffs(name = NULL, cutoff.file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

- **cutoff.file**  
  Deprecated. Set path to cutoffs file with the global option `multimir.cutoffs`.

**Value**

Cutoff values object from remote database.
get_multimir

Get microRNA-target Interactions from the multiMiR Package

Description

The main function to retrieve predicted and validated miRNA-target interactions and their disease and drug associations from the multiMiR package.

Usage

get_multimir(url = NULL, org = "hsa", mirna = NULL, target = NULL, disease.drug = NULL, table = "validated", predicted.cutoff = NULL, predicted.cutoff.type = "p", predicted.site = "conserved", summary = FALSE, add.link = FALSE, use.tibble = FALSE, limit = NULL, legacy.out = FALSE)

Arguments

url Deprecated. The URL for queries is now defined by the package options multimir.url and multimir.queries.

org a character string for the organism. Three organisms are supported so far: human ("hsa" (default), "human", or "Homo Sapiens"), mouse ("mmu", "mouse", or "Mus musculus"), and rat ("rno", "rat", or "Rattus norvegicus"). The organism is case insensitive.

mirna 'NULL' (default) or a character string or character vector for the mature miRNA(s). It can be the mature miRNA accession number (i.e. "MIMAT0000072"), mature miRNA ID (i.e. "hsa-miR-199a-3p"), or a combination of both (i.e. c("MIMAT0000065", "hsa-miR-30a-5p")). The character is case insensitive. *See note about the length of list supported.

target 'NULL' (default) or a character string or character vector for the target gene(s). It can be the gene symbol (i.e. c("TP53", "KRAS")), Entrez gene ID (i.e. c(578, 3845)), Ensembl gene ID (i.e. "ENSG00000171791"), or a combination of any of these identifiers (i.e. c("TP53", 3845, "ENSG00000171791")). The character is case insensitive. *See note about the length of list supported.

disease.drug 'NULL' (default) or a character string or character vector for the disease(s) and/or drug(s) (i.e. c("bladder cancer", "cisplatin")). The character is case insensitive.

table a character string indicating which table(s) in multiMiR to search. Each table contains data from an external database. Options include "validated" (default, to search all validated tables "mirecords", "mirtarbase", and "tarbase"), "predicted" (to search all predicted tables "diana_microt", "elmmo", "microcosm", "mirtarbase", "tarbase"), and "all" (to search all tables).
**get.multimir**

"miranda", "mirdb", "pictar", "pita", and "targetscan"), "disease.drug" (to search all disease/drug tables "mir2disease", "pharmaco_mir", and "phenomir"), "all" (to search all of the tables above), or an individual table from above.

**predicted.cutoff**

'NULL' (default) or an integer giving a prediction score cutoff. By default ('NULL'), the cutoff is '20' (search the top 20% if predicted.cutoff.type="p") or '300000' (search the top 300000 (or all records if total < 300000) if predicted.cutoff.type="n").

**predicted.cutoff.type**

a character indicating the type of prediction score cutoff. This must be either "p" (default, percentage cutoff) or "n" (number cutoff).

**predicted.site**

a character string indicating the type of predicted target sites to search. This can be one of the strings "conserved", "nonconserved", or "all", and can be abbreviated. This only applies to three of the predicted tables ("miranda", "pita", and "targetscan") that have conservation information of the target sites.

**summary**

logical. Whether to summarize the result (default = FALSE).

**add.link**

logical. Whether to add link to external database for each result entry.

**use.tibble**

logical. Whether to use the data_frame class from the tibble package for returned dataframes. The key benefit for large datasets is more restrictive printing to the console (first 10 rows and only the number of columns that will fit getOption('width')). See ?tibble::data_frame for more information.

**limit**

a positive integer. Limits the number of records returned from each table. Useful in testing potentially large queries.

**legacy.out**

logical. Whether to return the Bioconductor compatible S4 object or the legacy S3 object (default=FALSE).

**Details**

get.multimir() has been deprecated and replaced with the get.multimir() version.

get.multimir is the main and recommended function to retrieve information from the multiMiR package. Input to the function must contain at least one of the followings: miRNA(s), target gene(s), and disease and drug term(s).

The setting of predicted.site is applicable to three ("miranda", "pita", and "targetscan") of the eight predicted tables. If predicted.site is "conserved", the function will search conserved target sites annotated by TargetScan, target sites with conservation scores greater than or equal to 0.57 (in human and rat; or 0.566 in mouse) in miRanda, and/or sites with conservation scores greater than or equal to 0.9 in PITA.

Although the summary (if summary=TRUE) can be used to find results that are recorded by combinations of different databases, please note that for predicted interactions a combination approach may not be as effective as a single algorithm because of age or quality of the tool.

Note: The length of the list supported has been increased from version 1.0.1. The size is now limited to 20MB which should accommodate most requests. There is a possibility for technical reasons that the query could fail even if the list is under this limit. If this occurs it is recommended that you break up the list into smaller batches and submit them sequentially.
Value

get_multimir returns an S4 object (see ?mmquery_bioc-class containing the queried data and associated metadata. With legacy.out=FALSE (default), the data is a single dataset with association/interaction type defined by the type variable. With legacy.out=TRUE the original S3 object with 3 separate data frames (‘predicted’, ‘validated’, and ‘disease_drug’) is returned.

Examples

```r
## search 'hsa-miR-18a-3p' in validated interactions in human
example1 <- get_multimir(mirna="hsa-miR-18a-3p", summary=TRUE)
columns(example1)
## target genes that are validated by Luciferase assay
lucif <- select(example1, keytype = "type", keys = "validated",
columns = columns(example1))
lucif[grep("Luciferase", lucif$experiment),]
example1@summary[example1@summary[,"target_symbol"] == "KRAS",]

## search 'cisplatin' in disease and drug tables in human
example2 <- get_multimir(disease.drug='cisplatin', table='disease.drug')
nrow(example2@data)
head(example2@data)
```

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### list_multimir

List microRNAs, Genes, Drugs Or Diseases in the multiMiR Package

Description

list_multimir lists all the unique microRNAs, target genes, drugs, or diseases in the web server of the multiMiR package.

Usage

```r
list_multimir(x = c("mirna", "gene", "drug", "disease"), limit = NULL, url = NULL)
list.multimir(x = c("mirna", "gene", "drug", "disease"), limit = NULL, url = NULL)
```

Arguments

- **x**  
  a character string indicating what to list. This must be one of the strings "mirna" (default), "gene", "drug", or "disease". This can be abbreviated and is case insensitive.

- **limit**  
  a positive integer. Limits the number of records returned from each table. Useful in testing potentially large queries.

- **url**  
  Deprecated. Use global option multimir.url instead.
Details

list.multimir() has been deprecated and replaced with the list_multimir() version.

Value

list_multimir returns a data frame with information of microRNAs (microRNA unique ID, organism, mature microRNA accession number, and mature microRNA ID), target genes (gene unique ID, organism, gene symbol, Entrez gene ID, and Ensembl gene ID), drugs (drug names), and diseases (disease name).

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Examples

miRNAs <- list_multimir("mirna", limit = 10)
genes <- list_multimir("gene", limit = 10)
drugs <- list_multimir("drug", limit = 10)
diseases <- list_multimir("disease", limit = 10)

mmquery_bioc-class

S4 constructor and methods for object returned by get_multimir().

Description

This package’s primary user-facing object. Contains the SQL statement and the returned data query, as well as a summary table depending on specified option. Note that the returned data is now contained in a single dataframe. To filter to a specific type of association or interaction, select on the type variable.

Usage

as.mmquery_bioc(.list)

## S4 method for signature 'mmquery_bioc'
columns(x)

## S4 method for signature 'mmquery_bioc'
keys(x, keytype, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'mmquery_bioc'
keytypes(x)

## S4 method for signature 'mmquery_bioc'
select(x, keys, columns, keytype, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'mmquery_bioc'
show(object)
Arguments

.list a list of returned dataframes, summary
x, object An mmquery_bioc object.
keytype allows the user to discover which keytypes can be passes in to select or keys and the keytype argument
... additional arguments
keys A result of the keys() function. For the mmquery_bioc class this is a character vector of microRNA’s in the returned mmquery_bioc object.
columns lists the columns that can be returned for the mmquery_bioc object.

Value

an s4 object of class mmquery_bioc. Contains queried data, a summary dataset, and associated input parameters.

Slots

data A dataframe containing validated and predicted microRNA-target interactions and disease/drug associations found.
queries A list of queries submitted to the multiMiR SQL server.
summary A summary dataframe of the returned microRNA dataframes
tables A character vector of the microRNA relationship types returned (validated, predicted, disease.drug, or all).
org The selected organism (hsa/human, mmu/mouse, rno/rat).
predicted.cutoff An integer giving a prediction score cutoff.
predicted.cutoff.type A character indicating the type of prediction score cutoff (p = percentage, n = number, character() = none)
predicted.site A character string indicating the type of predicted target sites to searched.

multiMiR MultiMiR: R package for accessing the multiMiR database

Description

This package provides an interface to the multiMiR database of microRNA-target interactions, and disease and drug associations. See http://multimir.org and the vignette (‘multiMiR’) for more details.

References

[Add reference here]
**multimir.summary**

*Summarize microRNA/target Information from the multiMiR Package*

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**Description**

This is an internal multiMiR function that is not intended to be used directly. Please use `get_multimir`.

**Usage**

```r
multimir.summary(result, pair.index = 2:6, order.by = "all.sum")
```

**Arguments**

- **result**: PLACEHOLDER
- **pair.index**: PLACEHOLDER
- **order.by**: PLACEHOLDER

**Value**

Summary of objects queries from database

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**multimir_dbInfo**

*Collect Information About the Web Server And Database of the multiMiR Package*

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**Description**

Functions for collecting and displaying information about the web server and database of the multiMiR package.

**Usage**

```r
multimir_dbInfo(url = NULL)
multimir_dbInfoVersions(url = NULL)
multimir_dbSchema(schema.file = NULL)
multimir_dbTables(url = NULL)
multimir_dbCount(url = NULL)
```
Arguments

- **url**: Deprecated. Use global option `multimir.url` instead.
- **schema.file**: Deprecated. Option exists as `multimir.schema`, but it should not need to be set directly.

Details

- `multimir.url` is a global option containing the URL of the multiMiR web server. Set using `options("multimir.url" = ...)`
- `multimir.dbCount` returns counts of records in the tables in the multiMiR database. Each table contains data from an external miRNA/target database.
- `multimir.dbInfo` returns other information about the multiMiR database. This includes information of external miRNA/target databases in multiMiR.
- `multimir.dbInfoVersions` returns other information about the multiMiR database versions available. This provides a list of available options if switching to previous version is desired.
- `multimir.dbSchema` prints the schema definition of the multiMiR database.
- `multimir.dbTables` returns the vector of tables in the multiMiR database and saves it to the global option `multimir.tables.list`. This function is automatically run when `get_multimir` is called if the `multimir.tables.list` is NULL.

Value

- `multimir.dbCount`: a data frame with the count of records in each of the tables in the multiMiR database.
- `multimir.dbInfo`: a data frame with information about the multiMiR database.
- `multimir.dbInfoVersions`: a data frame with information about the multiMiR database versions.
- `multimir.dbSchema`: none (invisible NULL).
- `multimir.dbTables`: a data frame with table names in the multiMiR database.

Examples

```r
this_url <- getOption("multimir.url")
this_url
options(multimir.url = this_url)

db_ver <- multimir.dbInfoVersions()

db_count <- multimir.dbCount()

db_info <- multimir.dbInfo()

multimir.dbSchema()

db_tables <- multimir.dbTables()
```
\textit{multimir\_switchDBVersion}  

\textit{Manage Database Version to use}

\section*{Description}

Functions for managing the database version used to complete requests on the web server.

\section*{Usage}

\texttt{multimir\_switchDBVersion(db\_version, url = NULL)}

\section*{Arguments}

- \texttt{db\_version} \hspace{1cm} A character string containing the full version number for the database version to use for all package functions. The default will be the most recent version.
- \texttt{url} \hspace{1cm} Deprecated. Use global option \texttt{multimir.url} instead.

\section*{Details}

\texttt{url} is a character string containing the URL of the multiMiR web server. Optional as it is set when the package is loaded.

\texttt{multimir\_dbInfoVersions} returns other information about the multiMiR database versions available. This provides a list of available options if switching to previous version is desired.

\texttt{multimir\_switchDBVersion} returns other information about the multiMiR database versions available. This provides a list of available options if switching to previous version is desired.

\section*{Value}

- \texttt{multimir\_dbInfoVersions}: a data frame with information about the multiMiR database versions.
- \texttt{multimir\_switchDBVersion}: none (invisible NULL).

\section*{Examples}

\begin{verbatim}
multimir\_dbInfoVersions()
multimir\_switchDBVersion(db\_version="2.0.0")
\end{verbatim}
null_to_df

Replace nulls with an empty object of each type

Description
Replace nulls with an empty object of each type

Usage
null_to_df(x)
null_to_num(x)
null_to_char(x)

Arguments
x input object

Value
an empty data.frame, numeric, or character vector.

pad

Pad single space on each side of an input

Description
Pad single space on each side of an input

Usage
pad(x)

Value
Input value wrapped in single spaces.
parens_quote

Prep certain names for use in SQL query by adding parens

**Description**
Prep certain names for use in SQL query by adding parens

**Usage**
parens_quote(x)

**Value**
The input value wrapped in quotes and then parentheses.

parens_wrap

Collapse a vector to a single comma-separated string and wrap in parentheses

**Description**
Collapse a vector to a single comma-separated string and wrap in parentheses

**Usage**
parens_wrap(x)

**Value**
The input vector converted to a comma-separated string wrapped in parentheses.

parse_orgs

Each org can be specified in one of 3 ways – this standardizes the argument into the 3 char abbreviation.

**Description**
Each org can be specified in one of 3 ways – this standardizes the argument into the 3 char abbreviation.

**Usage**
parse_orgs(org)

**Value**
A standardized, abbreviated form of the input org.
parse_response  Parse the Result Returned by the multiMiR Web Server

Description
This is an internal multiMiR function that is not intended to be used directly. Please use get_multimir.

Usage
parse_response(HTML.response)

Value
The queried table portion of the HTML response.

query_multimir  Wrapper for search_multimir for adding feature (printing notification to console)

Description
Wrapper for search_multimir for adding feature (printing notification to console)

Usage
query_multimir(x, org, add.link, use.tibble)

Value
The queried multimir data with the addition of a requested feature.

quote_wrap  Internal function for adding single quotes around a string

Description
Internal function for adding single quotes around a string

Usage
quote_wrap(x)

Arguments
x a string to be wrapped in single quotes.
**remove_empty_strings**

Value

The input wrapped in single quotes.

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**remove_empty_strings**  
Remove empty strings from character vector.

**Description**

The WHERE clauses for target and mirna use allow for multiple arguments always separated by 'OR' and several columns are checked for each value (mirna id, acc; target symbol, entrez, ensemble). If empty strings "" are present in the get_multimir arguments, Targets and miRNA with empty values in one of these columns will be incorrectly returned. – thus purge empty strings first.

**Usage**

remove_empty_strings(x)

**Arguments**

x  
A character vector

**Value**

A character vector with empty strings removed

---

**remove_table**  
Remove tables x from a vector of table names.

**Description**

Typically used when a set of arguments don’t apply to a table or would return an error/empty response

**Usage**

remove_table(tables, x)

**Arguments**

tables  
A character vector.

x  
A second character vector to remove from the first (tables).

**Value**

Character vector tables excluding the strings matching those in x.
search_multimir

Search the multiMiR Database Given a MySQL Query

Description

This is a function for directly querying the multiMiR database with MySQL queries. Given a MySQL query, it searches and retrieves result from the multiMiR database on the multiMiR web server. To use search_multimir directly, users will need to be familiar with MySQL and multiMiR table structures. Users are advised to use get_multimir instead.

Usage

```r
search_multimir(query)
```

```r
search.multimir(query)
```

Arguments

- **query** a character string for the MySQL query.

Details

search.multimir() has been deprecated and replaced with the search_multimir() version.

Value

search_multimir returns a data frame containing results from the multiMiR web server.

Examples

```r
## show all tables in the multiMiR database
tables <- search_multimir(query=\"show tables\")

## show the structure of table diana_microt
microt <- search_multimir(query=\"describe diana_microt\")

## search for validated target genes of hsa-miR-18a-3p in miRecords
qry <- paste(\"SELECT m.mature_mirna_acc, m.mature_mirna_id,\",
             \" t.target_symbol, t.target_entrez, t.target_ensembl,\",
             \" i.experiment, i.support_type, i.pubmed_id\",
             \"FROM mirna AS m INNER JOIN mirecords AS i INNER JOIN target\",
             \"AS t ON (m.mature_mirna_uid=i.mature_mirna_uid AND\",
             \" i.target_uid=t.target_uid)\",
             \"WHERE m.mature_mirna_id='hsa-miR-18a-3p'\")
result <- search_multimir(query = qry)
```
split_by

Split, order and sort lists by their components.

Description

Copied from purrr:v0.2.2

Usage

split_by(.x, .f, ...)

Arguments

|x| A list or atomic vector. |
|f| A function, formula, or atomic vector. |
|...| Additional arguments passed on to .f. |

Value

A list split by .f

sql_org

Functions defining the WHERE clauses.

Description

Functions defining filtering by organism (org), disease/drug, conserved, and cutoff. Filtering by mirna and target are defined within their sql_... functions.

Usage

sql_org(.table, org)

where_org(.table, org)

where_diseasedrug(.table, disease.drug)

where_conserved(.table, org, predicted.site)

where_cutoff(.table, score_var, score_cutoff)

create_cutoff_name(.table, org, predicted.site)

cutoff_to_score(.table, cutoff_name, predicted.cutoff.type, predicted.cutoff)
**Value**

The `WHERE` portion of a SQL query

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`sql_validated`

*Generate `mmsql_components` objects for each of the three types of tables, as well as the `mirna` and `target` tables.*

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**Description**

The three types of tables are predicted, validated, and diseasedrug (disease/drug). Additionally, mirna and target portions of the SQL statements are defined, including their filter clauses (`WHERE`).

**Usage**

```r
sql_validated(.table)
sql_predicted(.table, org, predicted.site, predicted.cutoff.type, predicted.cutoff)
sql_diseasedrug(.table, disease.drug)
sql_mirna(mirna)
sql_target(.table, target)
```

**Value**

Components of a SQL query specific to each table type.

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`submit_request`

*General workhorse function for submitting and returning queries*

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**Description**

This is an internal multiMiR function that is not intended to be used directly. Please use `get_multimir`.

**Usage**

```r
submit_request(url = full_url("multimir.queries"), query, ...)
```

**Value**

Table requested in query.
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