Rxnat - Download full subject data

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Download a full set of data for a specific subject from the NITRC XNAT repository

The following tutorial will provide a fully functional example on how to download a full set of images for a specific subject, using the Rxnat package functionality.

Install the Rxnat package

You can install Rxnat from Neuroconductor with:

```
source("https://neuroconductor.org/neurocLite.R")
neuro_install('Rxnat')
```

Setting up system environment variables

To use system environment variables we need to add them to the .Renviron file located in the user's home folder. Use Sys.getenv("HOME") to get the path (for unix/osx users the location can be easily accessed with ~, eg. vi ~/.Renviron). The Rxnat package will be able to automatically read / use a system environment variable provided the following format is used: XXXX_RXNAT_USER and XXXX_RXNAT_PASS. XXXX is provided as an argument when an XNAT connection is initiated.

As an example NITRC is used as argument and the system environment variables names should be NITRC_RXNAT_USER, and NITRC_RXNAT_PASS.

```
library(Rxnat)
library(dplyr)

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':

##
## filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

nitrc <- xnat_connect('https://nitrc.org/ir', xnat_name='NITRC')

## NITRC_RXNAT_USER is being used for user

## NITRC_RXNAT_PASS is being used for password</pre>
```

Retrieve list of subjects

To retrieve the full list of subjects for the nitrc XNAT connection, we will use the nitrc\$subjects() function.

```
nitrc_subjects <- nitrc$subjects()</pre>
head(nitrc_subjects)
## # A tibble: 6 x 11
     project ID
                    label gender handedness yob
##
                                                    education ses
                                                                      group race
##
     <chr>>
             <chr> <chr> <chr>
                                  <chr>>
                                              <lg1> <lg1>
                                                               <lgl> <chr> <chr>
                                                                      Auti~ ""
## 1 ABIDE
             NITR~ Calt~ M
                                  R
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                               NA
## 2 ABIDE
                                                                      Auti~ ""
             NITR~ Calt~ M
                                  Α
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                               NA
                                                                      Auti~ ""
## 3 ABIDE
             NITR~ Calt~ M
                                  R
                                                               NA
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                                     Auti~ ""
## 4 ABIDE
             NITR~ Calt~ M
                                  R
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                               NA
                                                                     Auti~ ""
## 5 ABIDE
             NITR~ Calt~ F
                                  Α
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                               NA
                                                                     Auti~ ""
## 6 ABIDE
             NITR~ Calt~ M
                                  R
                                              NA
                                                    NA
                                                               NA
## # ... with 1 more variable: ethnicity <chr>
```

Retrieve list of experiments

To retrieve the full list of experiments for the nitrc XNAT connection, we will use the nitrc\$experiments() function.

```
nitrc_experiments <- nitrc$experiments()</pre>
head(nitrc experiments)
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
##
     project subject
                            ID
                                                                 label
                                             type
                                                                                 age
     <chr>
             <chr>>
                            <chr>
                                             <chr>
                                                                 <chr>
##
                                                                               <int>
## 1 ABIDE
             Caltech_51456 NITRC_IR_E00990 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51456
                                                                                  55
## 2 ABIDE
             Caltech_51457 NITRC_IR_E00991 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51457
                                                                                  22
             Caltech_51458 NITRC_IR_E00992 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51458
## 3 ABIDE
                                                                                  39
## 4 ABIDE
             Caltech_51459 NITRC_IR_E00993 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51459
                                                                                  22
                                                                                  34
## 5 ABIDE
             Caltech_51460 NITRC_IR_E00994 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51460
## 6 ABIDE
             Caltech_51461 NITRC_IR_E00995 xnat:mrSessionData Caltech_51461
                                                                                  37
```

Get list of all experiments associated with a subject

For the purpose of this example, we would like to identify a subject that has more than one experiments associated with his id. In order to figure out a good subject ID example, we will filter and select all subjects with more than 1 experiment associated.

```
multi_session = nitrc_experiments %>%
  group_by(subject) %>%
  mutate(n_sessions = n()) %>%
  filter(n_sessions > 1)
head(multi_session)
## # A tibble: 6 x 7
## # Groups:
               subject [6]
                                                                        age n_sessions
##
     project subject
                         ID
                                                            label
                                          type
##
     <chr>>
             <chr>>
                         <chr>
                                          <chr>
                                                            <chr>>
                                                                      <int>
                                                                                  <int>
## 1 ABIDE
             UCLA_51209 NITRC_IR_E01699 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_512~
                                                                          9
                                                                                      4
## 2 ABIDE
             UCLA_51215 NITRC_IR_E01705 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_512~
                                                                                      5
                                                                         11
```

```
UCLA 51231 NITRC IR E01721 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA 512~
## 3 ABIDE
                                                                       10
                                                                                   5
## 4 ABIDE
             UCLA_51234 NITRC_IR_E01724 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_512~
                                                                       10
                                                                                   4
             UCLA 51235 NITRC IR E01725 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA 512~
                                                                                   4
## 5 ABIDE
                                                                       10
## 6 ABIDE
             UCLA_51236 NITRC_IR_E01726 xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_512~
                                                                                   4
                                                                       12
```

We will select the first subject ID (UCLA_51209) to continue our example.

```
subject_id <- "UCLA_51209"
subject_experiments = nitrc_experiments[ nitrc_experiments$subject %in% subject_id, ]
head(subject_experiments)</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 6
##
     project subject
                         ID
                                                         label
                                        type
                                                                                  age
##
     <chr>>
              <chr>
                         <chr>
                                        <chr>
                                                         <chr>
                                                                                <int>
              UCLA_51209 NITRC_IR_E01~ xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_51209
## 1 ABIDE
                                                                                    9
                                       xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_51209_baseline ~
## 2 ABIDE_II UCLA_51209 XNAT_E14819
                                                                                   10
## 3 ABIDE_II UCLA_51209 XNAT_E14820
                                       xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_51209_baseline_~
                                                                                    9
## 4 ABIDE_II UCLA_51209 XNAT_E14821
                                       xnat:mrSessionD~ UCLA_51209_followup
                                                                                   13
```

Download all resources

We will use the download_dir() function to download of all resources associated with the selected subject ID.

```
download_data = lapply(subject_experiments$ID, function(r) {
  nitrc$download_dir(experiment_ID = r, extract = TRUE)
})
```

```
## https://nitrc.org/ir/data/experiments/NITRC_IR_E01699/scans/ALL/files?format=zip
## /var/folders/wb/17jtkdy14f761vm4xr9zxjj80000gn/T//RtmpS3zg49/NITRC_IR_E01699.zip
## https://nitrc.org/ir/data/experiments/XNAT_E14819/scans/ALL/files?format=zip
## /var/folders/wb/17jtkdy14f761vm4xr9zxjj80000gn/T//RtmpS3zg49/XNAT_E14819.zip
## https://nitrc.org/ir/data/experiments/XNAT_E14820/scans/ALL/files?format=zip
## /var/folders/wb/17jtkdy14f761vm4xr9zxjj80000gn/T//RtmpS3zg49/XNAT_E14820.zip
## https://nitrc.org/ir/data/experiments/XNAT_E14821/scans/ALL/files?format=zip
## /var/folders/wb/17jtkdy14f761vm4xr9zxjj80000gn/T//RtmpS3zg49/XNAT_E14821.zip
```