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## Note

Linux users may need to perform the following:

```
sudo apt-get install libxml2-dev
from R environment: install.package("XML")
sudo apt-get install libcurl4-gnutls-dev
from R environment: install.package("RCurl")
from R environment: install.package("hash")
from R environment: install.package("SPARQL")
```

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## References

Gene Expression Atlas RDF - <http://wwwdev.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/services/atlas/> Gene Expression Atlas  
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## Examples

```
###find experiments where the description contains a given search term
```

```

#experimentlist <- getExperimentsByDescription("breast carcinoma")

###get gene list for given experiment ID
#genelist <- getGenesForExperiment("E-GEOD-1561")

###get list of pathways associated with a gene for which the genes are differentially
#pathwayinfo <- getPathwaysFromGenesAndCondition("efo:EFO_0001359")
#pathwayinfo$pathwayname

###perform gene set enrichment using Atlas as background to find factors genes are enriched
#load the background files for the species of interest (requires downloading)
#find background sets at http://
#load("human/human_gene_list.RData")    #human_genelist_bg
#load("human/human_factor_counts.RData")    #human_factor_counts

###creat or load your genelist of interest
#genelist <- c("GSTT1", "PLCE1", "XIST", "ENOSF-1", "AHR", "FSTL1", "YIPF5", "RBM5",

###get id for species 'human'
#taxon <-getTaxonURI("human")    #obo:NCBITaxon_9606

###do enrichment
#results <- doFishersEnrichmentForGeneNames(genelist, taxon, human_genelist_bg, human_factor_counts)

###visualize results, filtering by p-value
#vizPvalues(results, "0.005")

```

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doFishersEnrichment

*Perform a gene set enrichment using gene list based on gene URIs.*

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## Description

Perform an enrichment of an input gene list using the Atlas as a background set for a specified species. The genes are given as a set of gene URIs (e.g. <<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000229807>>). The results are a list of experimental factors for which these genes are enriched.

## Usage

```
doFishersEnrichment(genelist, genelist_bg, genecounts)
```

## Arguments

genelist	Variable genelist a vector of genes using gene URIs
genelist_bg	genelist_bg background list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn
genecounts	genecounts counts list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn

**Value**

Returns a list of enrichmentresult objects which are described as follows:

factoruri	the URI of the experimental factor
label	the human readable label for the experimental factor
p.value	the p.value for the Fisher's exact test for the gene list with this factor. This can be seen as evidence for this factor being highly enriched (low p value) or not (high p value) for the input gene list
estimate	an estimate of the odds ratio. Note that the conditional Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE) rather than the unconditional MLE (the sample odds ratio) is used. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
alternative	a character string describing the alternative hypothesis.
null.value	the odds ratio under the null, or. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
method	the character string "Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data".
enrichedgenes	list of the genes from the input gene list that were enriched for this factor as a list of Gene URIs. To get the gene names use the function getClassLabel

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**References**

Agresti, A. (1990) Categorical data analysis. New York: Wiley. Pages 59-66.

**Examples**

```
###perform gene set enrichment using Atlas as background to find factors genes are enriched
#load the background files for the species of interest (requires downloading)
#load("human/human_gene_list.RData")    #human_genelist_bg
#load("human/human_factor_counts.RData")    #human_factor_counts

###creat or load your genelist of interest
genelist <- c("<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000184674>",
"<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000138193>",
"<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000229807>",
"<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000106546>",
"<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000163430>", "<http://identifiers.org/ensembl/ENSG00000177731>")

###do enrichment
#results <- doFishersEnrichment(genelist, human_genelist_bg, human_factor_counts)
```

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doFishersEnrichmentForEnsemblIds

*Perform a gene set enrichment using gene list based on common ENSEMBL gene IDs.*

---

## Description

Perform an enrichment of an input gene list using the Atlas as a background set for a specified species. The genes are given as a set of ENSEMBL gene IDs (e.g. "ENSG00000188554"). The results are a list of experimental factors for which these genes are enriched.

## Usage

```
doFishersEnrichmentForEnsemblIds(geneids, taxon, genelist_bg, genecounts)
```

## Arguments

geneids	Variable geneids a vector of genes using ENSEMBL gene IDs
taxon	The taxon is an ontology URI which can be found using the function <code>getTaxonURI()</code>
genelist_bg	genelist_bg background list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn
genecounts	genecounts counts list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn

## Value

Returns a list of enrichmentresult objects which are described as follows:

factoruri	the URI of the experimental factor
label	the human readable label for the experimental factor
p.value	the p.value for the Fisher's exact test for the gene list with this factor. This can be seen as evidence for this factor being highly enriched (low p value) or not (high p value) for the input gene list
estimate	an estimate of the odds ratio. Note that the conditional Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE) rather than the unconditional MLE (the sample odds ratio) is used. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
alternative	a character string describing the alternative hypothesis.
null.value	the odds ratio under the null, or. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
method	the character string "Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data".
enrichedgenes	list of the genes from the input gene list that were enriched for this factor as a list of Gene URIs. To get the gene names use the function <code>getClassLabel</code>

## Author(s)

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## References

Agresti, A. (1990) Categorical data analysis. New York: Wiley. Pages 59-66.

## Examples

```
###perform gene set enrichment using Atlas as background to find factors genes are enriched
#load the background files for the species of interest (requires downloading)
#load("human_bg/human_gene_list.RData")      #human_genelist_bg
#load("human_bg/human_factor_counts.RData")    #human_factor_counts

###creat or load your genelist of interest
genelist <- c("ENSG00000184674", "ENSG00000138193", "ENSG00000229807", "ENSG00000254235",
              "ENSG00000163430", "ENSG00000118260", "ENSG00000086991")

###get id for species 'human'
#taxon <-getTaxonURI("human")    #obo:NCBITaxon_9606

###do enrichment
#results <- doFishersEnrichmentForEnsemblIds(genelist, taxon, human_genelist_bg, human_factor_counts)
```

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doFishersEnrichmentForGeneNames

*Perform a gene set enrichment using gene list based on common gene names.*

---

## Description

Perform an enrichment of an input gene list using the Atlas as a background set for a specified species. The genes are given as a set of common gene names (e.g. Brca1). The results are a list of experimental factors for which these genes are enriched.

## Usage

```
doFishersEnrichmentForGeneNames(genenames, taxon, genelist_bg, genecounts)
```

## Arguments

genenames	Variable genenames a vector of genes using common gene names
taxon	The taxon is an ontology URI which can be found using the function <code>getTaxonURI()</code>
genelist_bg	genelist_bg background list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn
genecounts	genecounts counts list appropriate for the species of interest should be obtained from svn

**Value**

Returns a list of enrichmentresult objects which are described as follows:

factoruri	the URI of the experimental factor
label	the human readable label for the experimental factor
p.value	the p.value for the Fisher's exact test for the gene list with this factor. This can be seen as evidence for this factor being highly enriched (low p value) or not (high p value) for the input gene list
estimate	an estimate of the odds ratio. Note that the conditional Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE) rather than the unconditional MLE (the sample odds ratio) is used. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
alternative	a character string describing the alternative hypothesis.
null.value	the odds ratio under the null, or. Only present in the 2 by 2 case.
method	the character string "Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data".
enrichedgenes	list of the genes from the input gene list that were enriched for this factor as a list of Gene URIs. To get the gene names use the function getClassLabel

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**References**

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**Examples**

```
###perform gene set enrichment using Atlas as background to find factors genes are enriched in
#load the background files for the species of interest (requires downloading)
#load("human/human_gene_list.RData") #human_genelist_bg
#load("human/human_factor_counts.RData") #human_factor_counts

###creat or load your genelist of interest
genelist <- c("GSTT1", "PLCE1", "XIST", "ENOSF-1", "AHR", "FSTL1", "YIPF5", "RBM5", "

###get id for species 'human'
taxon <-getTaxonURI("human") #obo:NCBITaxon_9606

###do enrichment
#results <- doFishersEnrichmentForGeneNames(genelist, taxon, human_genelist_bg, human_factor_counts)
```

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```
drawHeatMapForAtlasExperiment
```

*Produce a heatmap of differentially expressed genes vs conditions for an Atlas experiment.*

---

### Description

Draws a heatmap of genes that are differentially expressed beyond a given t stat significance against conditions they are diff expressed for for a given Atlas experiment.

### Usage

```
drawHeatMapForAtlasExperiment(experimentid, tstatsignificance, endpoint)
```

### Arguments

`experimentid` Atlas experiment ID which is to be visualized

`tstatsignificance`

The significance beyond which a gene should be included for visualisation. A significance value of '5' will only include genes with a t-stat of  $\geq 5$  or  $\leq -5$ .

`endpoint` SPARQL endpoint to query data from. Default value is the live Atlas SPARQL endpoint but this can be overridden.

### Value

matrix of gene names with t-statistics for level of differential expression for each factor (one factor per column)

### Author(s)

Simon Jupp, James Malone

### Examples

```
#data <- drawHeatMapForAtlasExperiment("E-MTAB-1670", 12)
```

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```
getAllEnsemblGenesForExFactor
```

*Get all ENSEMBL genes reported as differentially expressed for a given experimental factor.*

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### Description

Get all ENSEMBL genes reported as differentially expressed for a given experimental factor. Returns the gene URI, ENSEMBL Id and common gene name.



**Usage**

```
getAllEnsemblGenesForExFactor(exfactor, limit, endpoint)
```

**Arguments**

exfactor	The URI of the experimental factor e.g. "efo:EFO_0001420"
limit	Limit the number of genes returned by the query to this, no limit specified or value of 0 returns all.
endpoint	SPARQL endpoint to query data from. Default value is the live Atlas SPARQL endpoint but this can be overridden.

**Value**

Data frame describing genes for the specified experimental factor with the following slots:

dbXref	the URI of the gene
geneName	the common name of the gene
ensemblid	the ENSEMBL id of the gene
propertyValue	the property value for this gene corresponding to the experimental factor in the query

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get the genes for the experimental factor 'sepsis' (efo:EFO_0001420)
#results <- getAllEnsemblGenesForExFactor("efo:EFO_0001420")
#results[1,] #first gene result
```

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```
getExperimentsByDescription
```

*Search for experiments in Atlas based on a string, e.g. liver, cancer etc.*

---

**Description**

Find experiments in Atlas based on a search string such as a "liver" or "cancer". Returns the experiment IDs plus the text in which the search string was found.

**Usage**

```
getExperimentsByDescription(searchterm, limit = 0, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ontology/atlas/sparql")
```

**Arguments**

searchterm	The search term.
limit	Optional limit on number of returned results (default is everything)
endpoint	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

**Value**

\$experiment Atlas Experiment ID of matched experiment to search term'  
 \$description Description of experiment which matched term

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get experiments which contain the word liver in the description
#getExperimentsByDescription("liver")
```

---

```
getGenesForExperiment
```

*Get all of the genes reported in an experiment, speicified by the Atlas experiment ID.*

---

**Description**

Get all of the gene as reported within an experiment. The experiment is specified as an Atlas experiment ID e.g. E-GEOD-3865

**Usage**

```
getGenesForExperiment(experiment, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/services/
```

**Arguments**

experiment Atlas experiment ID.  
 endpoint The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

**Value**

data frame containg following elements

expressionValue

The summarised expression value for this gene

dbXref

The URI identifier for this gene

pvalue

The p-value representing differentially expression for this gene

propertyValue

The property value for which this gene was reported as differentially expressed

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get genes for experiment ID E-MTAB-921
#
#res <- getGenesForExperiment("E-MTAB-921")
###list first gene in the experiment
#res[1,]
```

---

`getGeneUriFromEnsemblId`*Get gene URI from an ENSEMBL ID.*

---

**Description**

Get the URI for an ENSEMBL gene based on the ENSEMBL ID.

**Usage**

```
getGeneUriFromEnsemblId(id, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/services/atlas/
```

**Arguments**

<code>id</code>	ENSEMBL gene ID
<code>endpoint</code>	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

**Value**

List of URIs for a given ENSEMBL ID - this is almost always one but it is feasible there are two so be aware.

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get the URI identifier for a gene based on the ENSEMBL ID
#getGeneUriFromEnsemblId("ENSMUSG00000031314")
```

---

getGeneUriFromName *Get URI of a gene based on the common gene name.*

---

### Description

Get the URI of an ENSEMBL gene based on a search by the common gene name.

### Usage

```
getGeneUriFromName(genenname, taxon, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/ser
```

### Arguments

genenname	The common gene name by which to search
taxon	The URI of the taxon to search genes for, use function getTaxonURI to get the URI
endpoint	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

### Value

list of gene URIs matching the query: note this can be more than one

### Author(s)

James Malone, Simon Jupp

### Examples

```
###get the gene URI identifier based on the common gene name for "SRGN" in human
#getGeneUriFromName("SRGN", "obo:NCBITaxon_9606")
```

---

getLabel *Get label of an entity based on the URI.*

---

### Description

Get label of an entity base on the URI

### Usage

```
getLabel(uri, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/services/atlas/sparql")
```

### Arguments

uri	URI of the class for which the label is required.
endpoint	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

### Value

List of labels for the class URI

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get the label for the class efo:EFO_0001185 (HeLa)
#getLabel("efo:EFO_0001185")
```

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```
getPathwaysFromGenesAndCondition
```

*Get pathways connected to genes which are differentially expressed for a user specified condition.*

---

**Description**

Get list of pathway names that are connected to genes (via proteins which are encoded for by those genes) and which are reported as differentially expressed under a specified condition. The condition is specified as an ontology URI.

**Usage**

```
getPathwaysFromGenesAndCondition(condition, endpoint = "http://www.ebi.ac.uk")
```

**Arguments**

condition	URI of a condition based on the EFO ontology class.
endpoint	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

**Value**

Returns a data frame with the following:

pathwayname	The name of the pathway
pathway	The URI identifier of the pathway
expressionvalue	The gene and expression for the pathway
pvalue	p-value of the differential expression of the gene for this pathway in this condition

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get pathways connected to genes which are differentially expressed for HeLa (efo:EFO_0001185)
#getPathwaysFromGenesAndCondition("efo:EFO_0001185")
```

---

```
getSpeciesSpecificEnsemblGenesForExFactor
```

*Get ENSEMBL genes which have been differentially expressed for a given condition and species.*

---

## Description

Get the ENSEMBL gene IDs and names which are reported as differentially expressed in Atlas for a specified conditions and species.

## Usage

```
getSpeciesSpecificEnsemblGenesForExFactor(exfactor, taxon, limit = 0, endpoint="")
```

## Arguments

exfactor	URI of the experimental factor search term
taxon	URI of the species to limit search to
limit	Optional limit to number of genes returned (default is all)
endpoint	The location of the SPARQL endpoint - default value is live Atlas endpoint

## Value

data frame of results with the following:

dbXref	URI identifier of the gene
genename	Common gene name
ensemblid	ENSEMBL ID of gene

## Author(s)

James Malone, Simon Jupp

## Examples

```
###get genes differentially expressed for HeLa cells (efo:EFO_0001185) in human (obo:NCBITaxon_9606)
#getSpeciesSpecificEnsemblGenesForExFactor("efo:EFO_0001185", "obo:NCBITaxon_9606")
```

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getTaxonURI	<i>Get URI of a taxon class based on the common or taxonomic name.</i>
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**Description**

Convenience method to the ontology URI, used in other queries, based on an input common or taxonomic name such as "human" or "Homo sapiens"

**Usage**

```
getTaxonURI (taxonName)
```

**Arguments**

taxonName	Common or taxonomic name
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**Value**

URI of the taxon

**Author(s)**

James Malone, Simon Jupp

**Examples**

```
###get URI for human
#getTaxonURI ("human")
###or for arabidopsis
#getTaxonURI ("arabidopsis")
```

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vizPvalues	<i>Visualize the results of an enrichment filtering for a specified p-value.</i>
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**Description**

Produce a plot of the most enriched experimental factors following an Atlas gene set enrichment. The cutoff allows a filter to be placed by p-value.

**Usage**

```
vizPvalues (resultset, cutoff = "0.05")
```

**Arguments**

resultset	A set of results following an AtlasRDF gene set enrichment.
cutoff	The p-value threshold at which to include a gene for visualization

**Value**

Plot of results

**Author(s)**

James Malone

**Examples**

```
###visualize the results from a gene set enrichment performed using AtlasRDF package  
#vizPValues(enrichmentresults, cutoff = "0.02")
```



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