# Package 'CEDARS'

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Title Simple and Efficient Pipeline for Electronic Health Record Annotation

**Description** Streamlined annotation pipeline for collection and aggregation of time-to-event data in retrospective clinical studies. 'CEDARS' aims to systematize and accelerate the re-

view of electronic health record (EHR) corpora. It accomplishes those goals by deploying natural language processing as a tool to assist detection and characterization of clinical events by human abstractors. The online user manual presents the necessary steps to install 'CEDARS', pro-

cess EHR corpora and obtain clinical event dates: <a href="https://cedars.io">https://cedars.io</a>>.

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add\_end\_user

Add a CEDARS End User

## Description

Adds an end user. Password must be at least 8 characters in length.

```
add_end_user(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   end_user,
   end_user_password
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name. end\_user CEDARS end user name.

end\_user\_password

CEDARS end user password.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
add_end_user(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', end_user = 'Mike',
end_user_password = 'user_pw_5678')
## End(Not run)
```

automatic\_NLP\_processor

Process NLP Annotations on the Current Patient Cohort

## Description

Accepts a list of patient ID's or alternatively can perform NLP annotations on all available patients in the database.

```
automatic_NLP_processor(
  patient_vect = NA,
  text_format = "latin1",
  nlp_engine = "udpipe",
  uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard,
  user,
  password,
  host,
  replica_set,
  port,
  database,
  max_n_grams_length = 7,
```

```
negex_depth = 6,
select_cores = NA,
URL = NA
)
```

#### **Arguments**

patient\_vect Vector of patient ID's. Default is NA, in which case all available patient records

will undergo NLP annotation.

text\_format Text format for NLP engine.

nlp\_engine Which NLP engine should be used? UDPipe is the only one supported for now.

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

max\_n\_grams\_length

Maximum length of tokens for matching with UMLS concept unique identifiers (CUI's). Shorter values will result in faster processing. If 0 is chosen, UMLS

CUI tags will not be provided.

negex\_depth Maximum distance between negation item and token to negate. Shorter dis-

tances will result in decreased sensitivity but increased specificity for negation.

select\_cores How many CPU cores should be used for parallel processing? Max allowed is

total number of cores minus one. If 1 is entered, parallel processing will not be

used.

URL UDPipe model URL.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

```
## Not run:
automatic_NLP_processor(patient_vect = NA, text_format = 'latin1', nlp_engine = 'udpipe',
URL = 'models/english-ewt-ud-2.4-190531.udpipe', uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John',
password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT',
max_n_grams_length = 7, negex_depth = 6, select_cores = 1)
## End(Not run)
```

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create_project	Create a New CEDARS Project
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### **Description**

Creates a new MongoDB database and collections needed for a CEDARS annotation project. The MongoDB account used must have sufficient privileges.

## Usage

```
create_project(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   project_name,
   investigator_name
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

project\_name Research or QA project name.

 ${\tt investigator\_name}$ 

Investigator name.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

```
\# The code below creates an instance of CEDARS project on a public test MongoDB cluster, populated \# with fictitious EHR corpora.
```

```
# MongoDB credentials
db_user_name <- "testUser"
db_user_pw <- "testPW"
db_host <- "cedars.yvjp6.mongodb.net"
db_replica_set <- NA</pre>
```

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```
db_port <- NA
# Using standard MongoDB URL format
uri_fun <- mongo_uri_standard</pre>
# Name for MongoDB database which will contain the CEDARS project
# In this case we generate a random name
mongo_database <- find_project_name()</pre>
# We create the database and all required collections on a test cluster
create_project(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database,
"CEDARS Example Project", "Dr Smith")
# Adding one CEDARS end user
add_end_user(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database,
"John", "strongpassword")
## Not run:
# Negex is included with CEDARS and required for assessment of negation
negex_upload(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database)
## End(Not run)
# Uploading the small simulated collection of EHR corpora
upload_notes(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database,
simulated_patients)
# This is a simple query which will report all sentences with a word starting in
# "bleed" or "hem", or an exact match for "bled"
search_query <- "bleed* OR hem* OR bled"</pre>
use_negation <- TRUE
hide_duplicates <- TRUE</pre>
skip_after_event <- TRUE</pre>
save_query(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database,
search_query, use_negation, hide_duplicates, skip_after_event)
## Not run:
# Running the NLP annotations on EHR corpora
# We are only using one core, for large datasets parallel processing is faster
automatic_NLP_processor(NA, "latin1", "udpipe", uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw,
db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database, max_n_grams_length = 0, negex_depth = 6,
select_cores = 1)
# Entering known event dates for 2 individuals
patient_ids <- c("2222222222", "5555555555")</pre>
event_dates <- as.Date(c("2016-07-02", "2018-10-13"))
upload_events(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port,
mongo_database, patient_ids, event_dates)
# Pre-searching based on query
# This is optional but will speed-up the interface
pre_search(patient_vect = NA, uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port,
mongo_database)
# Start the CEDARS GUI locally
```

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```
# Your user name is "John", password is "strongpassword"
# Once you have entered those credentials, click on button "ENTER NEW DATE" and CEDARS will
# seek the first record to annotate
# Try out the interface, adjudicating sentences, entering event dates, comments, moving
# between sentences and searching for records
# Once you have entered some data, close the GUI
start_local(db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port, mongo_database)
# Obtaining events and info associated with data entry
# The annotations entered in the GUI are now available in this dataframe
event_output <- download_events(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port,
mongo_database)
## End(Not run)
# Remove project from MongoDB
terminate_project(uri_fun, db_user_name, db_user_pw, db_host, db_replica_set, db_port,
mongo_database, fast=TRUE)</pre>
```

delete\_end\_user

Delete a CEDARS End USer

#### **Description**

Deletes one end user and associated password.

#### Usage

```
delete_end_user(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   end_user
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.
end\_user CEDARS end user name.

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#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
delete_end_user(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', end_user = 'Mike')
## End(Not run)
```

download\_events

Download Event Data

#### **Description**

Downloads patient event data. Typically done after all records have been annotated and the project is complete.

#### Usage

```
download_events(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   dates = FALSE,
   sentences_only = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

dates Provide dates of first and last note for each patient; this is needed to assess

duration of follow-up, however can take a long time with large cohorts.

sentences\_only Should only a list of sentences be provided?

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#### Value

Object of class data.frame containing patient ID for all cohort members, date of recorded event if any, abstractor comments, sentences reviewed along with statistics about review process.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
   download_events(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
   host = 'server1234', port = NA)

## End(Not run)

download_filtered_tags
```

Download Notes Metadata Summary

## Description

Downloads text\_tag\_x info for the metadata tags, along with "include" and/or "exclude" criteria in the core CEDARS search query.

#### Usage

```
download_filtered_tags(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   eval_query = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB server host.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

eval\_query Should tags be evaluated against stored CEDARS query?

#### Value

List containing one dataframe per text\_tag\_x of interest, indicating selected status. Can take time to download for large datasets.

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
download_filtered_tags(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John',
password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', replica_set = NA, port = NA,
database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

end\_users

Download End User List

#### **Description**

Downloads list of CEDARS end users along with their passwords.

#### Usage

```
end_users(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

## **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

 $password \hspace{1cm} MongoDB \hspace{1cm} user \hspace{1cm} password.$ 

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

An object of class data.frame, listing all project users along with their associated password. This information is not available if using Active Directory feature because in this case the value pairs would be stored outside of the CEDARS project database.

```
## Not run:
end_users(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

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find_project_name	Generate unique test project name (i.e.	DB name) on MongoDB				
	CEDARS testing cluster					

#### **Description**

Parses existing DB names and randomly generates a unique test project name on MongoDB CEDARS testing cluster. This is used for convenience purposes when the R user does not have an existing MongoDB connection. The corresponding database and collections are PUBLIC so no patient information or any other privileged/confidential data should be used! This is for testing on simulated records only.

#### Usage

```
find_project_name()
```

#### **Details**

No parameter; the operation is performed on a preset server with no user input.

#### Value

An object of class character, the randomly generated name of a test CEDARS project.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
find_project_name()
## End(Not run)
```

get\_model

Get a NLP Model

#### **Description**

Downloads a NLP model, presently only UDPipe models supported.

#### Usage

```
get_model(model_name = "english-ewt", platform = "udpipe")
```

## Arguments

model\_name Name of models to download.

platform Name of NLP platform, currently only UDPipe is supported.

#### Value

Saves model in inst/models.

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Wrap the get\_data() Function

#### **Description**

Obtain one sentence and related info from MongoDB. Uses DB credentials pre-loaded in the main environment. For use with Shiny or REST GET (latter yet to be implemented).

## Usage

```
get_wrapper(
  database,
  end_user,
  end_user_password,
  html = TRUE,
  position,
  patient_id = NA,
  ldap = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

database MongoDB database.
end\_user CEDARS end user name..

end\_user\_password

CEDARS end user password.

html Should output keywords/concepts be highlighted with HTML markup? Default

is TRUE.

position Sentence position within the sequence of selected sentences for a given patient.

patient\_id Used if a specific patient record is requested, instead of a search for next record

to annotate.

Is LDAP authentication being used? If so, password will not be checked and

access will be granted automatically.

#### Value

A list with patient-specific information and a dataframe with selected sentences along with sentence-specific data.

```
## Not run:
get_wrapper(database = 'TEST_PROJECT', end_user = 'John', end_user_password = 'db_password_1234',
html = TRUE, position = NA)
## End(Not run)
```

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```
initialize_annotations
```

Initialize Annotations Deletes all NLP annotations and patientspecific information, including clinical event dates. New, empty 'AN-NOTATIONS' and 'PATIENTS' collections are created. Dictionaries and original patient notes are preserved.

## **Description**

Initialize Annotations Deletes all NLP annotations and patient-specific information, including clinical event dates. New, empty 'ANNOTATIONS' and 'PATIENTS' collections are created. Dictionaries and original patient notes are preserved.

#### Usage

```
initialize_annotations(
  uri_fun,
  user,
  password,
  host,
  replica_set,
  port,
  database
)
```

## Arguments

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

```
## Not run:
initialize_annotations(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

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Initialize EHR Notes

#### **Description**

Deletes all patient notes from the database.

#### Usage

```
initialize_notes(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password. host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
initialize_notes(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

initialize\_patients

Initialize Patient List

## Description

All patient-specific information is deleted, including clinical event dates. Original notes and NLP annotations are preserved.

```
initialize_patients(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

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#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
initialize_patients(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

initialize\_users

Initialize End User List

## Description

Deletes all CEDARS end user credentials information.

## Usage

```
initialize_users(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

#### Arguments

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
initialize_users(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

 ${\tt mongo\_uri\_standard}$ 

Prepare MongoDB URI string, most commonly used format

## Description

Formats the MongoDB URI string for use by package mongolite. In this case the 'standard' URI format is used.

## Usage

```
mongo_uri_standard(user, password, host, replica_set = NA, port = NA)
```

## Arguments

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

#### Value

URI string.

```
## Not run:
mongo_uri_standard(user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', port = NA)
## End(Not run)
```

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mrconso\_upload

Upload UMLS Dictionary

#### **Description**

Prepares and uploads UMLS MRCONSO.RRF file. This file is not included in the CEDARS package and can be obtained on the NIH web site at https://www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/index.html.

## Usage

```
mrconso_upload(
  path,
  language = "ENG",
  subsets,
  max_grams = 7,
  uri_fun,
  user,
  password,
  host,
  replica_set,
  port,
  database
)
```

#### **Arguments**

path Path to file MRCONSO.RRF.

language Language of biomedical lexicon, default is English (ENG).

subsets Character vector of lexicon subsets to retain. UMLS is quite large so most ap-

plications can use only a few lexicon subsets.

max\_grams Maximum length of token in grams. Tokens above the thresold length will not

be retained. Empirically, a value of 7 suffices for most applications.

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.
host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

## Value

Progress report of dictionary processing and upload.

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
mrconso_upload(path = 'dictionaries/MRCONSO.RRF', language = 'ENG', subsets = c('SNOMEDCT_US',
'MTHICD9', 'ICD9CM', 'ICD10', 'ICD10CM', 'DSM-5', 'MSH', 'RXNORM', 'NCI'), max_grams = 7,
user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', port = NA,
database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

mrrel\_upload

Upload UMLS Relationships

#### **Description**

Prepares and uploads UMLS MRREL.RRF file. This file is not included in the CEDARS package and can be obtained on the NIH web site at https://www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/index.html. It is very large and not currently used by CEDARS.

#### Usage

```
mrrel_upload(path, uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

#### **Arguments**

path Path to file MRREL.RRF.

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.
host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Progress report of UMLS processing and upload.

```
## Not run:
mrrel_upload(path = 'dictionaries/MRREL.RRF', uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John',
password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

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Negex data Apache License 2.0

#### **Description**

Negex data Apache License 2.0

#### Usage

```
data(negex)
```

#### **Format**

An object of class 'data.frame'.

#### **Source**

Google Code Archive

## References

Chapman et al. (2013) Stud Health Technol Inform 192:677-681 (PubMed)

## **Examples**

```
data(negex)
```

negex\_upload

Upload NegEx

## Description

Prepares and uploads NegEx negation lexicon. It is not absolutely required for CEDARS to function but in practice will improve search accuracy for most applications.

```
negex_upload(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   selected_model_path = NA
)
```

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## **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password. host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

selected\_model\_path

Path to NLP model file.

#### Value

Confirmation of upload.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
negex_upload(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', NA)
## End(Not run)
```

post\_wrapper

Wrap the post\_data() Function

### Description

Posts results of human reviewer annotation to MongoDB. Uses DB credentials pre-loaded in the main environment. For use with Shiny or REST POST (latter yet to be implemented).

```
post_wrapper(
  database,
  end_user,
  end_user_password,
  position,
  event_date,
  pt_comments,
  ldap = FALSE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

database MongoDB database. end\_user CEDARS end user name. end\_user\_password CEDARS end user password. Sentence position within the sequence of selected sentences for a given patient. position Date of clinical event as determined by human reviewer. event\_date pt\_comments Patient-specific comments from the reviewer. ldap Is LDAP authentication being used? If so, password will not be checked and

access will be granted automatically.

#### Value

No return value, called to post data.

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
post_wrapper(database = 'TEST_PROJECT', end_user = 'John', end_user_password = 'db_password_1234',
position = NA, event_date = NA, pt_comments = 'This is a comment')
## End(Not run)
```

pre\_search

Execute Search on a Set of Records

#### **Description**

Batches a keyword/CUI search for a cohort of patients. Useful to speed up the process by end users, since search results will be pre-populated. Locks each record before proceeding with search on existing NLP annotations. Patient records with no matching sentences or a known event date at or before the earliest matching sentence will be marked as reviewed. The latter assumes the query orders to skip sentences after events.

```
pre_search(
  patient_vect = NA,
  uri_fun,
  user,
  password,
  host,
  replica_set,
  port,
  database
```

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#### **Arguments**

patient\_vect Vector of patient ID's. Default is NA, in which case all unlocked records will be

searched.

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

No return value, called to execute a query in the database.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
pre_search(patient_vect = NA, uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John',
password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

save\_credentials

Save MongoDB Credentials

#### **Description**

Saves MongoDB credentials as 'db\_credentials.Rdata' and Shiny app file as 'app.R'. Those two files should be copied to the Shiny Server app directory. Needed only if using Shiny Server; credentials are entered in the command line for local app use.

```
save_credentials(
  user,
  password,
  host,
  replica_set,
  port,
  database,
  LDAP,
  destination_path = getwd()
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

user MongoDB user name.
password MongoDB user password.
host MongoDB server host.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

LDAP is LDAP being used? In this case, CEDARS will not prompt for user ID/password

and a check will NOT be made on the users table. Access will be granted, relying on LDAP authentication. Annotations will be stamped with LDAP user

name.

destination\_path

Folder where the files should be saved. Default is working directory.

#### Value

No return value, saves DB administrator credentials in local folder.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
save_credentials(user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234',
database = 'myDB', LDAP = FALSE, destination_path = getwd())
## End(Not run)
```

save\_query

Save Search Query

## Description

Saves the search query. The query consists of keywords/UMLS concept unique identifiers (CUI's), boolean elements and other operators ('AND', 'OR', '!', '(', or ')').

```
save_query(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   search_query,
   use_negation,
   hide_duplicates,
   skip_after_event,
   tag_query = NA
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

search\_query Medical corpus query containg keywords/CUI's, boolean elements and other

operators ('AND', 'OR', '!', '(', or ')').

use\_negation Should negated items be ignored in the keyword/concept search?

hide\_duplicates

Should duplicated sentences be removed for search results?

skip\_after\_event

Should sentences occurring after recorded clinical event be skipped?

tag\_query List with 2 sublists, namely "include" and "exclude", indicating matching strings

for metadata tag parameters.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
save_query(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', search_query = 'thrombosis AND venous',
use_negation = TRUE, hide_duplicates = TRUE, skip_after_event = TRUE,
tag_query = list(exact = FALSE, nlp_apply = FALSE, include = list(text_tag_1 = c("admission"),
text_tag_2 = c("impression", "plan")), exclude = NA))

## End(Not run)
```

save\_tags

Save Document Tags

#### **Description**

Save name of EHR document metadata tags. Individual notes or parts of notes can be labelled with up to 10 tags, typically the patient's name at the time, the type of note, the note section, the author, etc. Tags are not mandatory.

```
save_tags(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database, tag_vect)
```

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## **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password. host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

tag\_vect Character vector of 10 tag names.

#### Value

MongoDB operation results.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
save_tags(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT',
tag_vect = c('note_type', 'note_section', 'author', 'patient_name', NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA))
## End(Not run)
```

simulated\_patients

Simulated patient data GPL-3 license

#### **Description**

Simulated patient data GPL-3 license

## Usage

```
data(simulated_patients)
```

#### **Format**

```
An object of class 'data.frame'.
```

```
data(simulated_patients)
```

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Start CEDARS Locally

## Description

Starts CEDARS locally from RStudio. This is a functional approach and is easier to implement than a full-fledged Shiny Server. Multiple users can access the same CEDARS project on the MongoDB server using separate local R sessions, however in that case MongoDB credentials would have to be shared to all. The best option for multi-user implementations is to use Shiny Server.

## Usage

```
start_local(user, password, host, replica_set, port, database)
```

#### **Arguments**

user DB user name.

password DB password.

host Host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

#### Value

Launches the CEDARS Shiny app locally (on the desktop computer).

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
start_local(user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234', host = 'server1234', port = NA,
database = 'myDB')
## End(Not run)
```

terminate\_project

Terminate CEDARS Project

## Description

Everything is removed, including dictionaries. MongoDB account used must have sufficient privileges.

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#### Usage

```
terminate_project(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   fast = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

fast If TRUE, delete everything without asking security questions.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
terminate_project(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT')
## End(Not run)
```

unlock\_user

Unlock User-Specific Records Removes any pending lock(s) for a specific user. Normally there should not be more than one record locked per user at any given time, but if there were more than one, i.e. DB corruption, all locks would be lifted at once.

## Description

Unlock User-Specific Records Removes any pending lock(s) for a specific user. Normally there should not be more than one record locked per user at any given time, but if there were more than one, i.e. DB corruption, all locks would be lifted at once.

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#### Usage

```
unlock_user(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   end_user
)
```

## Arguments

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password. host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

end\_user CEDARS end user.

#### Value

No return value, unlocks alls records for a specific user in the database.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
unlock_user(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port= NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', end_user = 'Mike')
## End(Not run)
```

upload\_events

Upload Event Data

#### **Description**

Uploads event dates for patients already in the patient list. Useful when some events have already been documented before running CEDARS, for example as a second-line method to catch events missed with a different approach. Only event dates for existing records are altered, missing patient records are not added!

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#### **Usage**

```
upload_events(
   uri_fun,
   user,
   password,
   host,
   replica_set,
   port,
   database,
   patient_ids,
   event_dates
)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.
patient\_ids Vector of patient ID's.

event\_dates Vector of clinical event dates.

## Value

Objects of class character, reporting on completed event uploads.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
upload_events(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', patient_ids = ids, event_dates = events)
## End(Not run)
```

upload\_notes

Upload Notes to Database

#### **Description**

Allows user to populate notes in database from dataframe; could be easily inserted into wrapper batch function to serially download from other DB etc. Notes dataframe must contain: 'patient\_id', 'text\_id' (a unique identifier for each text segment), along with 'text', 'text\_date', 'doc\_id' (designates unique EHR document) and ideally 'text\_sequence' which indicates order of text section within document. 'doc\_section\_name' along 'text\_tag\_1' to 'text\_tag\_10' are optional. 'text\_date' must be in format '%Y-%m-%d'!

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#### Usage

```
upload_notes(uri_fun, user, password, host, replica_set, port, database, notes)
```

#### **Arguments**

uri\_fun Uniform resource identifier (URI) string generating function for MongoDB cre-

dentials.

user MongoDB user name.

password MongoDB user password.

host MongoDB host server.

replica\_set MongoDB replica set, if indicated.

port MongoDB port.

database MongoDB database name.

notes Dataframe of EHR documents with metadata. The documents can consist of full

notes or note subsections.

#### Value

Confirmation that requested operation was completed, or error message if attempt failed.

```
## Not run:
upload_notes(uri_fun = mongo_uri_standard, user = 'John', password = 'db_password_1234',
host = 'server1234', port = NA, database = 'TEST_PROJECT', notes = simulated_patients)
## End(Not run)
```

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