

Package ‘rpcdsearch’

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Description Allows users to identify relevant clinical codes and automate the construction of clinical code lists for primary care database studies. This package is analogous to the Stata command pcdsearch.

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definition_search	<i>This function is used to build new definition lists based on medical definitions</i>
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Description

This function is used to build new definition lists based on medical definitions

Usage

```
definition_search(def, medical_table = NULL, test_table = NULL,
                 drug_table = NULL, lookup = NULL)
```

Arguments

def	an object of class <code>MedicalDefinition</code>
medical_table	Dataframe lookup table of clinical codes
test_table	dataframe lookup table of test codes
drug_table	dataframe lookup table of medication product codes
lookup	list containing elements: "codes", "terms", "tests", "drugs", "drugcodes" (see details)

Details

You may get an invalid multibyte string error, in which case, set `fileEncoding="latin1"` on `read.delim` when reading in the lookup tables. Lookup tables are

Examples

```
## Not run:
medical_table <- read.delim("medical.txt", fileEncoding="latin1", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
drug_table <- read.delim("product.txt", fileEncoding="latin1", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
def2 <- import_definition_lists(system.file("extdata", "example_search.csv",
                                             package = "rpcdsearch"))
draft_lists <- definition_search(def2, medical_table, drug_table = drug_table)

## End(Not run)
```

```
export_definition_search
```

Exports definition searches to an excel file

Description

Exports definition searches to an excel file

Usage

```
export_definition_search(definition_search, out_file)
```

Arguments

definition_search	a list of dataframes as produced by build_definition_lists
out_file	file path to the excel file to be exported

Examples

```
## Not run:  
medical_table <- read.delim("medical.txt", fileEncoding="latin1", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)  
drug_table <- read.delim("product.txt", fileEncoding="latin1", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)  
def2 <- import_definition_lists(system.file("extdata", "example_search.csv",  
                                         package = "rpcdsearch"))  
draft_lists <- definition_search(def2, medical_table, drug_table = drug_table)  
out_file <- "def_searches.xlsx"  
export_definition_search(draft_lists, out_file)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

```
get_EHR_attribute
```

Return the value of an attribute in the .ehr environment

Description

Return the value of an attribute in the .ehr environment

Usage

```
get_EHR_attribute(x = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	an attribute name
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Examples

```
{
  set_CPRD()
  get_EHR_attribute()
  get_EHR_attribute(patient_id)
}
```

import_definitions *Imports definitions to be searched from a csv file into a MedicalDefinition object*

Description

Imports definitions to be searched from a csv file into a MedicalDefinition object

Usage

```
import_definitions(input_file)
```

Arguments

input_file character path to the input file

Examples

```
def2 <- import_definitions(system.file("extdata", "example_search.csv",
                                         package = "rpcdsearch"))
```

list_EHR_attributes *Lists all of the EHR attribute names in .ehr*

Description

Lists all of the EHR attribute names in .ehr

Usage

```
list_EHR_attributes()
```

MedicalDefinition *Constructor function for MedicalDefinition class*

Description

Constructor function for MedicalDefinition class

Usage

```
MedicalDefinition(terms = NULL, codes = NULL, tests = NULL,  
drugs = NULL, drugcodes = NULL)
```

Arguments

terms	list of character vectors or NULL
codes	list of character vectors or NULL
tests	list of character vectors or NULL
drugs	list of character vectors or NULL
drugcodes	list of character vectors or NULL

Details

Elements marked with a "-" are excluded. Elements marked with a "r

Examples

```
def <- MedicalDefinition(terms = list(c("angina", "unstable"), c("angina", "Crescendo "),  
                                 c("angina", "Refractory")),  
                         codes = list("G33..00", "G330.00", "%r212H", "-G617"))  
class(def)
```

print.MedicalDefinition *Basic print method for medical definition classes*

Description

Basic print method for medical definition classes

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MedicalDefinition'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x an object of class "medical_definition"
... Potential further arguments (required for method/generic reasons)
-

rpcdsearch *The rpcdsearch package.*

Description

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set_CPRD *Sets EHR metadata to CPRD format When this is run, most functions in rEHR act as though the EHR database is CPRD*

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Usage

`set_CPRD()`

Details

Metadata on EHR type is stored in the .ehr environment. This allows the same functions to work across different data sources. The .ehr environment is not designed to be accessible to the user, but accessor functions are provided. CPRD is the default EHR setting.

See Also

`get_EHR_value` `set_EHR_value`

`set_EHR_attribute` *Sets the value of an attribute in the .ehr environment*

Description

Sets the value of an attribute in the .ehr environment

Usage

```
set_EHR_attribute(x, value)
```

Arguments

x	an ehr attribute name
value	the value to set to the attribute

Examples

```
{  
set_CPRD()  
set_EHR_attribute(practice_id, "pracid")  
}
```

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