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availTCGA	<i>Get or Check TCGA Available ProjectID, DataType and FileType</i>
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Description

Get or Check TCGA Available ProjectID, DataType and FileType

Usage

availTCGA(which = c("all", "ProjectID", "DataType", "FileType"))

Arguments

which a character of c("All", "ProjectID", "DataType", "FileType")

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Examples

```
availTCGA("all")
```

cohorts	<i>Get cohorts of XenaHub object</i>
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Description

Get cohorts of XenaHub object

Usage

```
cohorts(x)
```

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

Value

a character vector contains cohorts

Examples

```
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub"); cohorts(xe)
```

datasets	<i>Get datasets of XenaHub object</i>
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Description

Get datasets of XenaHub object

Usage

```
datasets(x)
```

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

Value

a character vector contains datasets

Examples

```
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub"); datasets(xe)
```

downloadTCGA

*Easily Download TCGA Data by Several Options***Description**

TCGA is a very useful database and here we provide this function to download TCGA (include TCGA Pancan) datasets in human-friendly way. Users who are not familiar with R operation will benefit from this.

Usage

```
downloadTCGA(
  project = NULL,
  data_type = NULL,
  file_type = NULL,
  destdir = tempdir(),
  force = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

project	default is NULL. Should be one or more of TCGA project id (character vector) provided by Xena. See all available project id, please use availTCGA("ProjectID").
data_type	default is NULL. Should be a character vector specify data type. See all available data types by availTCGA("DataType").
file_type	default is NULL. Should be a character vector specify file type. See all available file types by availTCGA("FileType").
destdir	specify a location to store download data. Default is system temp directory.
force	logical. if TRUE, force to download data no matter whether files exist. Default is FALSE.
...	other argument to download.file function

Details

All available information about datasets of TCGA can access vis availTCGA() and check with showTCGA().

Value

same as XenaDownload() function result.

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See Also

[XenaQuery\(\)](#), [XenaFilter\(\)](#), [XenaDownload\(\)](#), [XenaPrepare\(\)](#), [availTCGA\(\)](#), [showTCGA\(\)](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# download RNASeq data (use UVM as example)
downloadTCGA(project = "UVM",
              data_type = "Gene Expression RNASeq",
              file_type = "IlluminaHiSeq RNASeqV2")

## End(Not run)
```

 fetch

Fetch Data from UCSC Xena Hosts

Description

When you want to query just data for several genes/samples from UCSC Xena datasets, a better way is to use these `fetch_` functions instead of downloading a whole dataset. Details about functions please see the following sections.

Usage

```
fetch(host, dataset)
```

```
fetch_dense_values(
  host,
  dataset,
  identifiers = NULL,
  samples = NULL,
  check = TRUE,
  use_probeMap = FALSE,
  time_limit = 30
)
```

```
fetch_sparse_values(host, dataset, genes, samples = NULL, time_limit = 30)
```

```
fetch_dataset_samples(host, dataset, limit = NULL)
```

```
fetch_dataset_identifiers(host, dataset)
```

```
has_probeMap(host, dataset, return_url = FALSE)
```

Arguments

host	a UCSC Xena host, like "https://toil.xenahubs.net". All available hosts can be printed by <code>xena_default_hosts()</code> .
dataset	a UCSC Xena dataset, like "tcga_RSEM_gene_tpm". All available datasets can be printed by running <code>XenaData\$XenaDatasets</code> or obtained from UCSC Xena datapages .
identifiers	Identifiers could be probe (like "ENSG00000000419.12"), gene (like "TP53") etc.. If it is NULL, all identifiers in the dataset will be used.
samples	ID of samples, like "TCGA-02-0047-01". If it is NULL, all samples in the dataset will be used. However, it is better to download the whole datasets if you query many samples and genes.
check	if TRUE, check whether specified identifiers and samples exist the dataset (all failed items will be filtered out). However, if FALSE, the code is much faster.
use_probeMap	if TRUE, will check if the dataset has ProbeMap firstly. When the dataset you want to query has a identifier-to-gene mapping, identifiers can be gene symbols even the identifiers of dataset are probes or others.
time_limit	time limit for getting response in seconds.
genes	gene names.
limit	number of samples, if NULL, return all samples.
return_url	if TRUE, returns the info of probeMap instead of a logical value when the result exists.

Details

There are three primary data types: dense matrix (samples by probes (or say identifiers)), sparse (sample, position, variant), and segmented (sample, position, value).

Dense matrices can be genotypic or phenotypic, it is a sample-by-identifiers matrix. Phenotypic matrices have associated field metadata (descriptive names, codes, etc.). Genotypic matrices may have an associated probeMap, which maps probes to genomic locations. If a matrix has hugo probeMap, the probes themselves are gene names. Otherwise, a probeMap is used to map a gene location to a set of probes.

Value

a matrix or character vector or a list.

Functions

- `fetch_dense_values()`: fetches values from a dense matrix.
- `fetch_sparse_values()`: fetches values from a sparse data.frame.
- `fetch_dataset_samples()`: fetches samples from a dataset
- `fetch_dataset_identifiers()`: fetches identifies from a dataset.
- `has_probeMap()`: checks if a dataset has ProbeMap.

Examples

```
library(UCSCXenaTools)

host <- "https://toil.xenahubs.net"
dataset <- "tcga_RSEM_gene_tpm"
samples <- c("TCGA-02-0047-01", "TCGA-02-0055-01", "TCGA-02-2483-01", "TCGA-02-2485-01")
probes <- c("ENSG00000282740.1", "ENSG00000000005.5", "ENSG00000000419.12")
genes <- c("TP53", "RB1", "PIK3CA")

# Fetch samples
fetch_dataset_samples(host, dataset, 2)
# Fetch identifiers
fetch_dataset_identifiers(host, dataset)
# Fetch expression value by probes
fetch_dense_values(host, dataset, probes, samples, check = FALSE)
# Fetch expression value by gene symbol (if the dataset has probeMap)
has_probeMap(host, dataset)
fetch_dense_values(host, dataset, genes, samples, check = FALSE, use_probeMap = TRUE)
```

getTCGAdata

Get TCGA Common Data Sets by Project ID and Property

Description

This is the most useful function for user to download common TCGA datasets, it is similar to getFirehoseData function in RTCGAToolbox package.

Usage

```
getTCGAdata(
  project = NULL,
  clinical = TRUE,
  download = FALSE,
  forceDownload = FALSE,
  destdir = tempdir(),
  mRNASeq = FALSE,
  mRNAArray = FALSE,
  mRNASeqType = "normalized",
  miRNASeq = FALSE,
  exonRNASeq = FALSE,
  RPPAArray = FALSE,
  ReplicateBaseNormalization = FALSE,
  Methylation = FALSE,
  MethylationType = c("27K", "450K"),
  GeneMutation = FALSE,
  SomaticMutation = FALSE,
```

```

    GisticCopyNumber = FALSE,
    Gistic2Threshold = TRUE,
    CopyNumberSegment = FALSE,
    RemoveGermlineCNV = TRUE,
    ...
)

```

Arguments

project	default is NULL. Should be one or more of TCGA project id (character vector) provided by Xena. See all available project id, please use availTCGA("ProjectID").
clinical	logical. if TRUE, download clinical information. Default is TRUE.
download	logical. if TRUE, download data, otherwise return a result list include data information. Default is FALSE. You can set this to FALSE if you want to check what you will download or use other function provided by UCSCXenaTools to filter result datasets you want to download.
forceDownload	logical. if TRUE, force to download files no matter if exist. Default is FALSE.
destdir	specify a location to store download data. Default is system temp directory.
mRNASeq	logical. if TRUE, download mRNASeq data. Default is FALSE.
mRNAArray	logical. if TRUE, download mRNA microarray data. Default is FALSE.
mRNASeqType	character vector. Can be one, two or three in c("normalized", "pancan normalized", "percentile").
miRNASeq	logical. if TRUE, download miRNASeq data. Default is FALSE.
exonRNASeq	logical. if TRUE, download exon RNASeq data. Default is FALSE.
RPPAArray	logical. if TRUE, download RPPA data. Default is FALSE.
ReplicateBaseNormalization	logical. if TRUE, download RPPA data by Replicate Base Normalization (RBN). Default is FALSE.
Methylation	logical. if TRUE, download DNA Methylation data. Default is FALSE.
MethylationType	character vector. Can be one or two in c("27K", "450K").
GeneMutation	logical. if TRUE, download gene mutation data. Default is FALSE.
SomaticMutation	logical. if TRUE, download somatic mutation data. Default is FALSE.
GisticCopyNumber	logical. if TRUE, download Gistic2 Copy Number data. Default is FALSE.
Gistic2Threshold	logical. if TRUE, download Threshold Gistic2 data. Default is TRUE.
CopyNumberSegment	logical. if TRUE, download Copy Number Segment data. Default is FALSE.
RemoveGermlineCNV	logical. if TRUE, download Copy Number Segment data which has removed germline copy number variation. Default is TRUE.
...	other argument to download.file function

Details

TCGA Common Data Sets are frequently used for biological analysis. To make easier to achieve these data, this function provide really easy options to choose datasets and behavior. All available information about datasets of TCGA can access vis `availTCGA()` and check with `showTCGA()`.

Value

if `download=TRUE`, return `data.frame` from `XenaDownload`, otherwise return a list including `XenaHub` object and datasets information

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Examples

```
##### get data, but not download

# 1 choose project and data types you wanna download
getTCGAdata(project = "LUAD", mRNASeq = TRUE, mRNAArray = TRUE,
mRNASeqType = "normalized", miRNASeq = TRUE, exonRNASeq = TRUE,
RPPAArray = TRUE, Methylation = TRUE, MethylationType = "450K",
GeneMutation = TRUE, SomaticMutation = TRUE)

# 2 only choose 'LUAD' and its clinical data
getTCGAdata(project = "LUAD")
## Not run:
##### download datasets

# 3 download clinical datasets of LUAD and LUSC
getTCGAdata(project = c("LUAD", "LUSC"), clinical = TRUE, download = TRUE)

# 4 download clinical, RPPA and gene mutation datasets of LUAD and LUSC
# getTCGAdata(project = c("LUAD", "LUSC"), clinical = TRUE, RPPAArray = TRUE, GeneMutation = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

hosts

Get hosts of XenaHub object

Description

Get hosts of XenaHub object

Usage

`hosts(x)`

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

Value

a character vector contains hosts

Examples

```
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub"); hosts(xe)
```

samples	<i>Get Samples of a XenaHub object according to 'by' and 'how' action arguments</i>
---------	---

Description

One is often interested in identifying samples or features present in each data set, or shared by all data sets, or present in any of several data sets. Identifying these samples, including samples in arbitrarily chosen data sets.

Usage

```
samples(
  x,
  i = character(),
  by = c("hosts", "cohorts", "datasets"),
  how = c("each", "any", "all")
)
```

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

i default is a empty character, it is used to specify the host, cohort or dataset by by option otherwise info will be automatically extracted by code

by a character specify by action

how a character specify how action

Value

a list include samples

Examples

```
## Not run:
xe = XenaHub(cohorts = "Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia (CCLE)")
# samples in each dataset, first host
x = samples(xe, by="datasets", how="each")[[1]]
lengths(x)      # data sets in ccle cohort on first (only) host

## End(Not run)
```

showTCGA

Show TCGA data structure by Project ID or ALL

Description

This can used to check if data type or file type exist in one or more projects by hand.

Usage

```
showTCGA(project = "all")
```

Arguments

project a character vector. Can be "all" or one or more of TCGA Project IDs.

Value

a data.frame including project data structure information.

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See Also

[availTCGA\(\)](#)

Examples

```
showTCGA("all")
```

to_snake	<i>Convert camel case to snake case</i>
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Description

Convert camel case to snake case

Usage

```
to_snake(name)
```

Arguments

name	a character vector
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Value

same length as name but with snake case

Examples

```
to_snake("sparseDataRange")
```

UCSCXenaTools-dynamic	<i>UCSC Xena Dynamic Objects</i>
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Description

A collection of dynamically generated objects for accessing UCSC Xena data. These objects are created when the package is loaded via `.onAttach`.

Format

Various formats depending on the object (e.g., characters, or functions).

Source

UCSC Xena API

XenaBrowse	<i>View Info of Dataset or Cohort at UCSC Xena Website Using Web browser</i>
------------	--

Description

This will open dataset/cohort link of UCSC Xena in user's default browser.

Usage

```
XenaBrowse(x, type = c("dataset", "cohort"), multiple = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object.
type one of "dataset" and "cohort".
multiple if TRUE, browse multiple links instead of throwing error.

Examples

```
XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub") %>%
  XenaFilter(filterDatasets = "clinical") %>%
  XenaFilter(filterDatasets = "LUAD") -> to_browse
```

XenaData	<i>Xena Hub Information</i>
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Description

This data.frame is very useful for selecting datasets fastly and independent on APIs of UCSC Xena Hubs.

Format

A tibble.

Source

Generated from UCSC Xena Data Hubs.

Examples

```
data(XenaData)
str(XenaData)
```

XenaDataUpdate	<i>Get or Update Newest Data Information of UCSC Xena Data Hubs</i>
----------------	---

Description

Get or Update Newest Data Information of UCSC Xena Data Hubs

Usage

```
XenaDataUpdate(saveToLocal = TRUE)
```

Arguments

saveToLocal	logical. Whether save to local R package data directory for permanent use or Not.
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Value

a data.frame contains all datasets information of Xena.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## Not run:  
XenaDataUpdate()  
XenaDataUpdate(saveToLocal = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

XenaDownload	<i>Download Datasets from UCSC Xena Hubs</i>
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Description

Availiable datasets list: <https://xenabrowser.net/datapages/>

Usage

```
XenaDownload(  
  xquery,  
  destdir = tempdir(),  
  download_probeMap = FALSE,  
  trans_slash = FALSE,  
  force = FALSE,  
  max_try = 3L,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

xquery	a tibble object generated by XenaQuery function.
destdir	specify a location to store download data. Default is system temp directory.
download_probeMap	if TRUE, also download ProbeMap data, which used for id mapping.
trans_slash	logical, default is FALSE. If TRUE, transform slash '/' in dataset id to '___'. This option is for backwards compatibility.
force	logical. if TRUE, force to download data no matter whether files exist. Default is FALSE.
max_try	time limit to try downloading the data.
...	other argument to download.file function

Value

a tibble

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Examples

```
## Not run:  
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub")  
hosts(xe)  
xe_query = XenaQuery(xe)  
xe_download = XenaDownload(xe_query)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

XenaFilter

*Filter a XenaHub Object***Description**

One of main functions in **UCSCXenatools**. It is used to filter XenaHub object according to cohorts, datasets. All datasets can be found at <https://xenabrowser.net/datapages/>.

Usage

```
XenaFilter(
  x,
  filterCohorts = NULL,
  filterDatasets = NULL,
  ignore.case = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	a XenaHub object
filterCohorts	default is NULL. A character used to filter cohorts, regular expression is supported.
filterDatasets	default is NULL. A character used to filter datasets, regular expression is supported.
ignore.case	if FALSE, the pattern matching is case sensitive and if TRUE, case is ignored during matching.
...	other arguments except value passed to base::grep() .

Value

a XenaHub object

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Examples

```
# operate TCGA datasets
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub")
xe
# get all names of clinical data
xe2 = XenaFilter(xe, filterDatasets = "clinical")
datasets(xe2)
```

XenaGenerate*Generate and Subset a XenaHub Object from 'XenaData'*

Description

Generate and Subset a XenaHub Object from 'XenaData'

Usage

```
XenaGenerate(XenaData = UCSCXenaTools::XenaData, subset = TRUE)
```

Arguments

XenaData	a data.frame. Default is data(XenaData). The input of this option can only be data(XenaData) or its subset.
subset	logical expression indicating elements or rows to keep.

Value

a [XenaHub](#) object.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# 1 get all datasets
XenaGenerate()
# 2 get TCGA BRCA
XenaGenerate(subset = XenaCohorts == "TCGA Breast Cancer (BRCA)")
# 3 get all datasets containing BRCA
XenaGenerate(subset = grepl("BRCA", XenaCohorts))
```

XenaHub*Generate a XenaHub Object*

Description

It is used to generate original XenaHub object according to hosts, cohorts, datasets or hostName. If these arguments not specified, all hosts and corresponding datasets will be returned as a XenaHub object. All datasets can be found at <https://xenabrowser.net/datapages/>.

Usage

```
XenaHub(  
  hosts = xena_default_hosts(),  
  cohorts = character(),  
  datasets = character(),  
  hostName = c("publicHub", "tcgaHub", "gdcHub", "icgcHub", "toilHub", "pancanAtlasHub",  
    "treehouseHub", "pcawgHub", "atacseqHub", "singlecellHub", "kidsfirstHub", "tdiHub")  
)
```

Arguments

hosts	a character vector specify UCSC Xena hosts, all available hosts can be found by <code>xena_default_hosts()</code> function. <code>hostName</code> is a more recommend option.
cohorts	default is empty character vector, all cohorts will be returned.
datasets	default is empty character vector, all datasets will be returned.
hostName	name of host, available options can be accessed by <code>.xena_hosts</code> This is an easier option for user than <code>hosts</code> option. Note, this option will overlap <code>hosts</code> .

Value

a [XenaHub](#) object

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## Not run:  
#1 query all hosts, cohorts and datasets  
xe = XenaHub()  
xe  
#2 query only TCGA hosts  
xe = XenaHub(hostName = "tcgaHub")  
xe  
hosts(xe)    # get hosts  
cohorts(xe)  # get cohorts  
datasets(xe) # get datasets  
samples(xe)  # get samples  
  
## End(Not run)
```

XenaHub-class	<i>Class XenaHub</i>
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Description

a S4 class to represent UCSC Xena Data Hubs

Slots

- hosts hosts of data hubs
- cohorts cohorts of data hubs
- datasets datasets of data hubs

XenaPrepare	<i>Prepare (Load) Downloaded Datasets to R</i>
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Description

Prepare (Load) Downloaded Datasets to R

Usage

```
XenaPrepare(  
  objects,  
  objectsName = NULL,  
  use_chunk = FALSE,  
  chunk_size = 100,  
  subset_rows = TRUE,  
  select_cols = TRUE,  
  callback = NULL,  
  comment = "#",  
  na = c("", "NA", "[Discrepancy]"),  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

- objects a object of character vector or data.frame. If objects is data.frame, it should be returned object of [XenaDownload](#) function. More easier way is that objects can be character vector specify local files/directory and download urls.
- objectsName specify names for elements of return object, i.e. names of list
- use_chunk default is FALSE. If you want to select subset of original data, please set it to TRUE and specify corresponding arguments: chunk_size, select_direction, select_names, callback.

<code>chunk_size</code>	the number of rows to include in each chunk
<code>subset_rows</code>	logical expression indicating elements or rows to keep: missing values are taken as false. <code>x</code> can be a representation of data frame you wanna do subset operation. Of note, the first colname of most of datasets in Xena will be set to "sample", you can use it to select rows.
<code>select_cols</code>	expression, indicating columns to select from a data frame. ' <code>x</code> ' can be a representation of data frame you wanna do subset operation, e.g. <code>select_cols = colnames(x)[1:3]</code> will keep only first to third column.
<code>callback</code>	a function to call on each chunk, default is NULL, this option will override operations of <code>subset_rows</code> and <code>select_cols</code> .
<code>comment</code>	a character specify comment rows in files
<code>na</code>	a character vectory specify NA values in files
<code>...</code>	other arguments transfer to <code>read_tsv</code> function or <code>read_tsv_chunked</code> function (when <code>use_chunk</code> is TRUE) of <code>readr</code> package.

Value

a list contains file data, which in way of tibbles

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## Not run:
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub")
hosts(xe)
xe_query = XenaQuery(xe)

xe_download = XenaDownload(xe_query)
dat = XenaPrepare(xe_download)

## End(Not run)
```

XenaQuery

Query URL of Datasets before Downloading

Description

Query URL of Datasets before Downloading

Usage

`XenaQuery(x)`

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

Value

a `data.frame` contains hosts, datasets and url

Author(s)

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Examples

```
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub")
hosts(xe)
## Not run:
xe_query = XenaQuery(xe)

## End(Not run)
```

XenaQueryProbeMap	<i>Query ProbeMap URL of Datasets</i>
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Description

If dataset has no ProbeMap, it will be ignored.

Usage

```
XenaQueryProbeMap(x)
```

Arguments

x a [XenaHub](#) object

Value

a `data.frame` contains hosts, datasets and url

Author(s)

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Examples

```
xe = XenaGenerate(subset = XenaHostNames == "tcgaHub")
hosts(xe)
## Not run:
xe_query = XenaQueryProbeMap(xe)

## End(Not run)
```

XenaScan

Scan all rows according to user input by a regular expression

Description

XenaScan() is a function can be used before [XenaGenerate\(\)](#).

Usage

```
XenaScan(
  XenaData = UCSCXenaTools::XenaData,
  pattern = NULL,
  ignore.case = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

XenaData	a data.frame. Default is data(XenaData). The input of this option can only be data(XenaData) or its subset.
pattern	character string containing a regular expression (or character string for fixed = TRUE) to be matched in the given character vector. Coerced by as.character to a character string if possible. If a character vector of length 2 or more is supplied, the first element is used with a warning. Missing values are allowed except for regexpr, gregexpr and regexec.
ignore.case	logical. if FALSE, the pattern matching is <i>case sensitive</i> and if TRUE, case is ignored during matching.

Value

a data.frame

Examples

```
x1 <- XenaScan(pattern = "Blood")
x2 <- XenaScan(pattern = "LUNG", ignore.case = FALSE)

x1 %>%
  XenaGenerate()
x2 %>%
  XenaGenerate()
```

xena_default_hosts	<i>UCSC Xena Default Hosts</i>
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Description

Return Xena default hosts

Usage

```
xena_default_hosts()
```

Value

A character vector include current default hosts

Author(s)

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See Also

[XenaHub\(\)](#)

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