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CoSIAn-class	<i>CoSIAn Class S4 Object</i>
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Description

This Class is used to specify the information needed to conduct analysis using CoSIA’s other methods. An object of this class will pass as an argument to other methods in CoSIA

Value

CoSIAn object

Slots

`gene_set` character. A singular gene or a list of genes.
`i_species` character. The species corresponding to `gene_set`.
`input_id` character. The type of id corresponding to `gene_set`.
`o_species` character. The singular or list of species that the gene set is being converted to.
`output_ids` character. The singular or list of id types that the gene set is being converted to.
`mapping_tool` character. The mapping tool, BiomaRt or annotationDBI, being used to map the conversion between IDs.
`ortholog_database` character. The ortholog database, HomoloGene or NCBIOrtho, being used to map the conversion between species.
`converted_id` data frame. Output of `getConversion`.
`map_tissues` character. A list of tissues being investigated.
`map_species` character. A list of species being investigated.
`gex` data frame. Output of gene expression data.
`metric_type` character. A list of possible metric the user wants to calculate.
`metric` data frame. Output of coefficient of variation of gene expression data.

CoSIAn-Constructor Constructor for the CoSIAn Class
Constructor for the CoSIAn Object

Description

The CoSIAn constructor creates a CoSIAn object from character vector(s).

Usage

```

CoSIAn(
  gene_set,
  i_species,
  input_id,
  o_species,
  output_ids,
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI",
  ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues,
  map_species,
  metric_type
)
  
```

Arguments

<code>gene_set</code>	A singular gene or a list of genes.
<code>i_species</code>	The species corresponding to <code>gene_set</code> .
<code>input_id</code>	The type of id corresponding to <code>gene_set</code> .
<code>o_species</code>	The singular or list of species that the gene set is being converted to.

output_ids	The singular or list of id types that the gene set is being converted to.
mapping_tool	The mapping tool, BiomaRt or annotationDBI, being used to map the conversion between IDs.
ortholog_database	The ortholog database, HomoloGene or NCBIOrtho, being used to map the conversion between species.
map_tissues	A list of tissues being investigated
map_species	A list of species being investigated
metric_type	A list of possible metric the user wants to calculate.

Value

An S4 CoSIAn object with character vector(s) as slots.

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c(
    "ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762",
    "ENSG00000152217"
  ), i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus", "h_sapiens", "d_rerio",
    "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
```

getConversion	<i>getConversion Generic</i>
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Description

getConversion Generic

Usage

```
getConversion(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled

Value

initializes a generic function for getConversion as preparation for defining the getConversion Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus", "h_sapiens", "d_rerio",
    "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ),
  output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"), mapping_tool = "annotationDBI",
  ortholog_database = "HomoloGene", map_tissues = "heart",
  map_species = c("m_musculus"), metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
```

getConversion, CoSIAn-method

getConversion Method

Description

getConversion Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
getConversion(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled

Value

CoSIAn object with converted_id slot filled

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus", "h_sapiens", "d_rerio",
    "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ),
  output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"), mapping_tool = "annotationDBI",
  ortholog_database = "HomoloGene", map_tissues = "heart",
  map_species = c("m_musculus"), metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
```

getGEx

getGEx Generic

Description

getGEx Generic

Usage

getGEx(object)

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled with converted_id slot filled

Value

initializes a generic function for getGEx as preparation for defining the getGEx Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
```

getGEx, CoSIAn-method

getGEx Method

Description

getGEx Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
getGEx(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled with converted_id slot filled

Value

CoSIA object with gex slot filled

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIA(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
```

getGExMetrics

getGExMetrics Generic

Description

getGExMetrics Generic

Usage

```
getGExMetrics(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIA object with all user accessible slots filled with converted_id slot filled

Value

initializes a generic function for getGExMetrics as preparation for defining the getGExMetrics Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIA(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
```

```
getGExMetrics, CoSIAn-method
```

getGExMetrics Method

Description

getGExMetrics Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
getGExMetrics(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled with converted_id slot filled

Value

CoSIAn Object with metric slot filled

References

Kohl M (2022). MKdescr: Descriptive Statistics. R package version 0.8, <https://github.com/stamats/MKdescr>.

Zhang JD, Hatje K, Sturm G, Broger C, Ebeling M, Burtin M, Terzi F, Pomposiello SI, Badi L (2017). "Detect tissue heterogeneity in gene expression data with BioQC." BMC Genomics, 18(1), 277. <http://accio.github.io/BioQC/>.

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
```

`getTissues`*getTissues*

Description`getTissues`**Usage**`getTissues(species)`**Arguments**

<code>species</code>	name of a species or multiple species that you want to get available tissue list for
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Value

list of tissues that are common/available among the species or multiple species inputted

Examples

```
tissue <- getTissues(c("m_musculus"))
```

`plotCVGEx`*plotCVGEx Generic*

Description`plotCVGEx Generic`**Usage**`plotCVGEx(object)`**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and metric slot filled
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Value

initializes a generic function for plotCVGEx as preparation for defining the plotCVGEx Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = c("adult mammalian kidney", "heart"),
  map_species = c("h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "CV_Tissue"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plot <- plotCVGEx(Kidney_gene_metric)
```

plotCVGEx, CoSIAn-method

plotCVGEx Method

Description

plotCVGEx Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
plotCVGEx(object)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and metric slot filled
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Value

plot object

References

Dot plot in R with the dotchart function [with examples]. R CODER. (2020, November 20). Retrieved from <https://r-coder.com/dot-plot-r/>

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = c("adult mammalian kidney", "heart"),
  map_species = c("h_sapiens", "r_norvegicus"),
  metric_type = "CV_Tissue"
```

```

)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plot <- plotCVGEx(Kidney_gene_metric)

```

plotDSGEx

plotDSGEx Generic

Description

plotDSGEx Generic

Usage

```
plotDSGEx(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and metric slot filled

Value

initializes a generic function for plotDSGEx as preparation for defining the plotDSGEx Method

Examples

```

Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotDSGEx(Kidney_gene_metric)

```

plotDSGEx, CoSIAn-method

plotDSGEx Method

Description

plotDSGEx Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
plotDSGEx(object)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and metric slot filled

Value

plot object

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_metric <- getGExMetrics(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotDSGEx(Kidney_gene_metric)
```

plotSpeciesGEx

plotSpeciesGEx Generic

Description

plotSpeciesGEx Generic

Usage

```
plotSpeciesGEx(object, single_tissue, single_gene)
```

Arguments

object CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and gex slot filled

single_tissue one tissue that the user wants to investigate across the mapped species

single_gene one ensembl id that the user wants to investigate across the mapped species

Value

initializes a generic function for plotSpeciesGEx as preparation for defining the plotSpeciesGEx Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotSpeciesGEx(Kidney_gene_gex, "liver", "ENSG00000008710")
```

plotSpeciesGEx, CoSIAn-method

plotSpeciesGEx Method

Description

plotSpeciesGEx Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
plotSpeciesGEx(object, single_tissue, single_gene)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and gex slot filled
single_tissue	one tissue that the user wants to investigate across the mapped species
single_gene	one ensembl id that the user wants to investigate across the mapped species

Value

plot object

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotSpeciesGEx(Kidney_gene_gex, "liver", "ENSG00000008710")
```

plotTissueGEx	<i>plotTissueGEx Generic</i>
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Description

plotTissueGEx Generic

Usage

```
plotTissueGEx(object, single_species, single_gene)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and gex slot filled
single_species	one species that the user wants to investigate across the mapped tissues
single_gene	one ensembl id that the user wants to investigate across the mapped tissues

Value

initializes a generic function for plotTissueGEx as preparation for defining the plotTissueGEx Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG000000008710", "ENSG000000118762", "ENSG000000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart",
  map_species = c("m_musculus"), metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotTissueGEx(Kidney_gene_gex, "m_musculus", "ENSG000000008710")
```

plotTissueGEx, CoSIAn-method	<i>plotTissueGEx Method</i>
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Description

plotTissueGEx Method

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
plotTissueGEx(object, single_species, single_gene)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled in as well as the converted_id and gex slot filled
single_species	one species that the user wants to investigate across the mapped tissues
single_gene	one ensembl id that the user wants to investigate across the mapped tissues

Value

plot object

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000118762", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id", o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster", "m_musculus",
    "h_sapiens", "d_rerio", "c_elegans", "r_norvegicus"
  ), output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"),
  mapping_tool = "annotationDBI", ortholog_database = "HomoloGene",
  map_tissues = "heart", map_species = c("m_musculus"),
  metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
Kidney_gene_conversion <- CoSIA::getConversion(Kidney_Genes)
Kidney_gene_gex <- getGEx(Kidney_gene_conversion)
plotTissueGEx(Kidney_gene_gex, "m_musculus", "ENSG00000008710")
```

viewCoSIAn

viewCoSIAn Generics

Description

viewCoSIAn Generics

Usage

```
viewCoSIAn(object, slot_name)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled
slot_name	name of output slots

Value

initializes a generic function for viewCoSIAn as preparation for defining the viewCoSIAn Method

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster"
  ),
  output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"), mapping_tool = "annotationDBI",
  ortholog_database = "HomoloGene", map_tissues = "heart",
  map_species = c("d_melanogaster"), metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
viewCoSIAn(Kidney_Genes, "converted_id")
```

viewCoSIAn, CoSIAn-method

viewCoSIAn

Description

viewCoSIAn

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'CoSIAn'
viewCoSIAn(object, slot_name)
```

Arguments

object	CoSIAn object with all user accessible slots filled
slot_name	name of output slots

Value

slots in CoSIAn object

Examples

```
Kidney_Genes <- CoSIAn(
  gene_set = c("ENSG00000008710", "ENSG00000152217"),
  i_species = "h_sapiens", input_id = "Ensembl_id",
  o_species = c(
    "d_melanogaster"
  ),
  output_ids = c("Ensembl_id", "Symbol"), mapping_tool = "annotationDBI",
  ortholog_database = "HomoloGene", map_tissues = "heart",
  map_species = c("d_melanogaster"), metric_type = "DS_Gene"
)
viewCoSIAn(Kidney_Genes, "converted_id")
```

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