Package 'TumourMethData'

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Title A Collection of DNA Methylation Datasets for Human Tumour
Samples and Matching Normal Samples

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Details

- cpgea_wgbs_hg38: WGBS Data from 187 pairs of matching human prostate tumours and normal prostate samples.

- tcga_wgbs_hg38: WGBS Data from 39 bladder, breast, colon, glioblastoma, lung, rectal stomach and uterine tumour samples and and 8 matching normal samples.

- mcrpc_wgbs_hg38: WGBS data from 100 prostate cancer metastases.

- mcrpc_wgbs_hg38_chr11: Subset of mcrpc_wgbs_hg38 with methylation values for just chromosome 11.

- cao_esophageal_wgbs_hg19: WGBS data for 10 squamous esophageal tumours and 9 matching normal samples.

- target_rhabdoid_wgbs_hg19: WGBS data for 69 childhood rhabdoid tumours.

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See Also

Useful links:

- https://github.com/richardheery/TumourMethData

- Report bugs at https://support.bioconductor.org/tag/TumourMethData

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download_meth_dataset *Download a WGBS methylation dataset from TumourMethData*

Description

The HDF5 file and RDS file to construct a RangedSummarizedExperiment for the specified dataset are downloaded into the ExperimentHub cache located at `ExperimentHub::getExperimentHubOption("cache")` and symbolic links to these are created in the specified directory by `dir`.

Usage

```
download_meth_dataset(dataset, dir = tempdir())
```

Arguments

dataset   Name of the dataset to download WGBS data from. Must be one of the datsets listed in data(TumourMethDatasets).

dir   Parent directory to create links to the HDF5 SummarizedExperiment dataset. A subdirectory with the dataset name will be created within this directory. Default is tempdir(). If a directory named `paste(dir, dataset, sep = "/")` already exists, will attempt to load a HDF5 summarized experiment from there and return an error if this fails.

Value

A RangedSummarizedExperiment with methylation values from the specified dataset.

Examples

```
mcrpc_wgbs_hg38_chr11 = TumourMethData::download_meth_dataset(dataset = "mcrpc_wgbs_hg38_chr11")
print(mcrpc_wgbs_hg38_chr11)
```

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download_rnaseq_dataset

Download an RNA-Seq counts dataset from TumourMethData

Description

A TSV file with the RNA-Seq counts is downloaded into the ExperimentHub cache located at `ExperimentHub::getExperimentHubOption("cache")` and is read into R as a data.frame.

Usage

```
download_rnaseq_dataset(dataset)
```

Arguments

dataset   Name of the dataset to download. Must be one of the datasets listed in data(TumourMethDatasets) where `transcript_counts_available` is TRUE.

Value

A data.frame with RNA-Seq counts calculated using Kallisto.

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Description

A table describing the datasets available from TumourMethData.

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Format

A data.frame with one row for each dataset

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