

ontoCAT

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<code>getAccession</code>	<i>Returns accession of the ontology term</i>
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Description

Returns accession string of the `OntologyTerm` object.

Usage

```
getAccession(object)
```

Arguments

`object` instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

Value

Returns accession string of the ontology term.

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Ontology Common API Tasks java library <http://www.ontocat.org>

Java sources and javadocs: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/ontocat/files/>

See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
term <- getTermById(efo, "EFO_0000827")  
getAccession(term)
```

getAllTermChildren *Returns all term's children*

Description

Returns all term's children. Term in the set is represented as the instance of the [OntologyTerm](#) class

Usage

```
getAllTermChildren(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology terms: each term in the set is the instance of the [OntologyTerm](#) class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getAllTermChildren(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

getAllTermIds *Returns accessions of all ontology terms*

Description

Returns accessions of all loaded ontology terms

Usage

```
getAllTermIds(object)
```

Arguments

object instance of the `OntologyParser` class

Value

Returns accession strings of all terms from loaded ontology.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getAllTermIds(efo)
```

getAllTermParents *Returns all term's parents*

Description

Returns all term's parents. Term in the set is represented as the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

Usage

```
getAllTermParents(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology terms: each term in the set is the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getAllTermParents(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

getAllTerms	Returns all ontology terms
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Description

Returns set of ontology terms, where each term is an instance of the [OntologyTerm](#) class.

Usage

```
getAllTerms(object)
```

Arguments

object instance of the [OntologyParser](#) class

Value

Returns all terms from loaded ontology as objects of [OntologyTerm](#) class.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getAllTerms(efo)
```

getDefinitions *Returns set of ontology term's definitions*

Description

Returns set of ontology term's definitions if there are some

Usage

```
getDefinitions(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology term's definitions if there are some

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getDefinitions(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

`getEFOBranchRootIds`*Returns all term's parents*

Description

Returns accessions of EFO branch roots. Function specific for EFO.

Usage

```
getEFOBranchRootIds (object)
```

Arguments

`object` instance of the `OntologyParser` class

Value

Returns list of accessions.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getEFOBranchRootIds(efo)
```

getEFOParser	Returns an instance of the EFO ontology parser
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Description

Loads the latest EFO version on the fly, creating the inferred ontology classes.

Usage

```
getEFOParser()
```

Value

Returns an instance of the `OntologyParser` class.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo<-getEFOParser()
getEFOBranchRootIds(efo)
getTermParents(efo, "EFO_0001221")
isEFOBranchRoot(efo, "EFO_0000322")
searchTermPrefix(efo, "leuk")
getTermAndAllChildrenIds(efo, "EFO_0000318")
```

getLabel	Returns label of the ontology term
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Description

Returns label of the `OntologyTerm` object.

Usage

```
getLabel(object)
```

Arguments

`object` instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

Value

Returns label of the ontology term.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()
term <- getTermById(efo, "EFO_0000827")
getLabel(term)
```

```
getOntologyAccession
```

Returns ontology accession

Description

Returns ontology accession

Usage

```
getOntologyAccession(object)
```

Arguments

object instance of the `OntologyParser` class

Value

Returns ontology accession string.

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See Also

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Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getOntologyAccession(efo)
```

`getOntologyDescription`
Returns ontology description

Description

Returns ontology description

Usage

```
getOntologyDescription(object)
```

Arguments

`object` instance of the `OntologyParser` class

Value

Returns ontology description.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getOntologyDescription(efo)
```

getOntologyParser *Returns an instance of the ontology parser created from OWL or OBO file*

Description

Loads the ontology described in OWL or OBO format from the local file or on the fly by using URL, creates the inferred ontology classes.

Usage

```
getOntologyParser (pathToURI)
```

Arguments

pathToURI a character string giving the URL or local name of the file to load ontology from

Value

Returns an instance of the `OntologyParser` class.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
ontologyParserFromURL <- getOntologyParser("http://efo.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/efo")
getTermParents(ontologyParserFromURL, "EFO_0001221")
ontologyParserFromFile <- getOntologyParser("../ontoCAT/extdata/cell.obo")
getAllTermIds(ontologyParserFromFile)
```

getRootIds	Returns root terms of ontology
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Description

Returns accessions of root terms of the ontology. For some ontologies these functions might fail when the ontology used was not design to have root classes

Usage

```
getRootIds(object)
```

Arguments

object instance of the [OntologyParser](#) class

Value

Returns list of accessions.

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References

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getRootIds(efo)
```

getRoots *Returns root terms of ontology*

Description

Returns root terms of the ontology. For some ontologies these functions might fail when the ontology used was not design to have root classes

Usage

```
getRoots(object)
```

Arguments

object instance of the `OntologyParser` class

Value

Returns set of terms. Term in the set is the instance of `OntologyTerm` class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getRoots(efo)
```

getSynonyms	Returns set of ontology term's synonyms
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Description

Returns set of ontology term's synonyms if there are some

Usage

```
getSynonyms(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology term's synonymss if there are some

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getSynonyms(efo, "EFO_0000827")
```

`getTermAndAllChildrenIds`*Returns accessions of all term's parents and term itself*

Description

Returns accessions of term itself and all its children recursively.

Usage

```
getTermAndAllChildrenIds(object, id)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
<code>id</code>	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns list of accessions.

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTermAndAllChildrenIds(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

getTermById	Returns ontology term
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Description

Returns ontology term as the instance of the [OntologyTerm](#) class

Usage

```
getTermById(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns ontology term: instance of the [OntologyTerm](#) class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTermById(efo, "EFO_0000827")
```

getTermChildren *Returns direct children of term of interest*

Description

Returns set of direct children of the term of interest. Term in the set is represented as the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

Usage

```
getTermChildren(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology terms: each term in the set is the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTermChildren(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

getTermNameById *Returns ontology term's label*

Description

Returns ontology term's label

Usage

```
getTermNameById(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns ontology term's label

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See Also

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Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTermNameById(efo, "EFO_0000827")
```

getTermParents *Returns set of direct parents of the term of interest*

Description

Returns set of direct parents of the term of interest. Term in the set is represented as the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

Usage

```
getTermParents(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology terms: each term in the set is the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

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See Also

`OntologyParser` and `OntologyTerm`

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTermParents(efo, "EFO_0000827")
```

getTreeDownTo *Returns all term's parents*

Description

Returns set of terms that represent ontology "opened" down to specified term, hence displaying all its parents first and then a tree level, containing specified term. Term in the set is represented as the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class.

Usage

```
getTreeDownTo(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns set of ontology terms: each term in the set is the instance of the `OntologyTerm` class

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
getTreeDownTo(efo, "EFO_0000827")
```

hasTerm	Returns true if term is in ontology
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Description

Returns true if term is in the ontology

Usage

```
hasTerm(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns true or false

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
hasTerm(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

isEFOBranchRoot *Returns true if term is the branch root in EFO*

Description

Returns true if term is the branch root in EFO. Function specific for EFO.

Usage

```
isEFOBranchRoot (object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns true or false

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
isEFOBranchRoot(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

`isRoot`*Returns true if term is the root in the ontology hierarchy*

Description

Returns true if term is the root in the ontology hierarchy

Usage

```
isRoot(object, id)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	instance of the <code>OntologyParser</code> class
<code>id</code>	accession string of the term of interest

Value

Returns true or false

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()  
isRoot(efo, "EFO_0000322")
```

ontoCAR-package *The ontoCAT package provides a simple interface to the Experimental Factor Ontology (EFO) and to any other ontology described in OWL or OBO format.*

Description

The ontoCAT package provides a simple interface to the Experimental Factor Ontology (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/efo>) and to any other ontology described in OWL or OBO format.

Package can load the ontology from a local file or on the fly from a URL and internally create the inferred ontology view. Experimental Factor Ontology (EFO) is the default ontology, loaded from: http://efo.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/efo/trunk/src/efoinowl/InferredEFOOWLview/EFO_inferred.owl. The package's methods allow to parse an ontology, search terms in it, find out term parents and children. The package is based on the Ontology Common API Tasks Java library (<http://www.ontocat.org>) as well as various other utilities methods and depends on rJava R package.

Details

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Type: Package
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See Also

[OntologyParser](#), [OntologyTerm](#), [getOntologyParser](#) and [getEFOParser](#)

Examples

```
efo<-getEFOParser()
ontologyParser <- getOntologyParser("./ontoCAR/extdata/cell.obo")
```

```
OntologyParser-class
  Class "OntologyParser"
```

Description

Parsing and representation of ontology hierarchy

Accessing the ontologies

The appropriate way to access ontology is via the helper `getOntologyParser` function.

Accessing the EFO

The appropriate way to access EFO is via the helper `getEFOParser` function.

Slots

`ontologyParser`: Object of class "jobRef" No user-serviceable parts inside. Maps to an internal Java OntologyParser object.

Methods

getAllTermChildren signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns list of term's all children

getAllTermIds signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns list of all term accessions

getTermAllParents signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns list of term's all parents

getAllTerms signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns list of all terms

getDefinitions signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns set of term's definitions if there are some

getEFOBranchRootIds signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns set of branch root accessions. Method specific for EFO ontology

getOntologyAccession signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns parsed ontology accession

getOntologyDescription signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns parsed ontology description

getRootIds signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns list of root terms accessions, if there are any

getRoots signature(object = "OntologyParser"): Returns list of root terms, if there are any

getSynonyms signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns set of term's synonyms if there are some

- getTermAndAllChildrenIds** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns list of accessions of term itself and all its children recursively
- getTermById** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Fetch term by accession. Returns external term representation if found in ontology, null otherwise
- getTermChildren** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns list of term's direct children
- getTermNameById** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns term's label by accession
- getTermParents** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns list of term's direct parents
- getTreeDownTo** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns set of terms that represent ontology "opened" down to specified term, hence displaying all its parents first and then a tree level, containing specified term
- hasTerm** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Check if term with specified accession exists in ontology
- isEFOBranchRoot** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns true if term is branch root of EFO. Method specific for EFO ontology
- isRoot** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Returns true if term is root of ontology
- searchTerm** signature(object = "OntologyParser", id = "character"): Searches for term in ontology by name
- searchTermPrefix** signature(object = "OntologyParser", prefix = "character"): Searches for prefix in ontology

Note

This package ships with the EFO OWL file, version released at the time of the package build. Provided EFO OWL file can be loaded as any other OWL or OBO file by using `getOntologyParser` function.

Another option is to load the latest EFO version on the fly by using `getEFOParser` function.

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See Also

[getOntologyParser](#), [getEFOParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
ontologyParser <- getEFOParser()
getEFOBranchRootIds(ontologyParser)
getTermParents(ontologyParser, "EFO_0001221")
searchTermPrefix(ontologyParser, "leuk")
getTermAndAllChildrenIds(ontologyParser, "EFO_0000318")
searchTerm(ontologyParser, "thymus")
ontologyParser <- getOntologyParser("http://efo.svn.sourceforge.net/viewvc/efo/trunk/ontologyParser <- getOntologyParser("./ontoCAT/extdata/cell.obo")
getAllTermIds(ontologyParser)
```

OntologyTerm-class *Class "OntologyTerm"*

Description

External view for an ontological terms in ontoCAT package

Objects from the Class

Don't create objects of this class. It is a wrapper around an internal Java representation.

Slots

term: Object of class "jobjRef" No user-serviceable parts inside.

Methods

getAccession signature(object = "OntologyTerm"): Returns accession of the term

getLabel signature(object = "OntologyTerm"): Returns description of the term

show signature(object = "OntologyTerm"): Displays term accession and description string

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#)

Examples

```
ontologyParser <- getEFOParser()
term <- getTermById(ontologyParser, "EFO_0001221")
show(term)
getAccession(term)
getLabel(term)
```

searchTermPrefix *Searches for term by prefix in ontology*

Description

Searches the term by prefix in the ontology. Returns list of term's accessions.

Usage

```
searchTermPrefix(object, prefix)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
prefix	prefix to search for

Value

Returns list of accessions

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()
searchTermPrefix(efo, "thy")
```

searchTerm	<i>Searches term by its name in ontology</i>
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Description

Searches the term by its name in the ontology. Returns list of term's accessions.

Usage

```
searchTerm(object, id)
```

Arguments

object	instance of the OntologyParser class
id	term's name or part of the name

Value

Returns list of accessions

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See Also

[OntologyParser](#) and [OntologyTerm](#)

Examples

```
efo <- getEFOParser()
searchTerm(efo, "thymus")
```

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