Package 'mtsta'

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Description

This dataset contains distribution data for species included in A Regional Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes - 2014. It provides information on the current accepted names, distribution range, and taxonomic status for each species. The data is original distribution data and the updated distribution information for the included species.

Usage

mtsta_distribution

Format

A tibble

accepted_name Character vector with the current accepted name of the species.

distribution Character vector indicating the distribution range of the species.

distribution_wcvp Character vector indicating the distribution according to the World Checklist of Vascular Plants (WCVP).

taxonomic_status Character vector indicating the taxonomic status of the species of the submitted name (e.g., "Accepted").

Details

The dataset contains information on the distribution of species in A Regional Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes - 2014. The distribution data includes the geographical range of each species, including countries where the species can be found.

Examples

```
# Load the mtsta_distribution dataset
data("mtsta_distribution")
```

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mtsta_tab

Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes - Base Data

Description

This is the curated base data of montane tree species found in the Tropical Andes region. The data is stored as a tibble with 132 rows and 11 columns. Each row represents a species and contains information such as the species name, accepted name, accepted family, accepted genus, IUCN status, distribution, elevation range, assessor, description, and taxonomic status.

Usage

mtsta_tab

Format

A tibble with 132 rows and 11 columns.

Details

The columns in the base data tibble are as follows:

- species_name: The scientific name of the species.
- accepted_name: The currently accepted name for the species.
- accepted_family: The family to which the species belongs.
- accepted_genus: The genus to which the species belongs.
- taxonomic_status: The taxonomic status of the species.
- iucn: The conservation status of the species according to the IUCN Red List Categories.
- distribution: The distribution range of the species.
- unsure_distribution: Information about the uncertainty in the distribution data.
- elevation: The elevation range where the species is found.
- assessor: The person or group responsible for assessing the species.
- description: Additional information or description of the species.

The base species list used in the mtsta package has been carefully reviewed and validated with the assistance of the Taxonomic Name Resolution Service (TNRS). By utilizing the TNRS, the base species list in the mtsta package guarantees accuracy and consistency in the representation of species names, enhancing the reliability of the package's functionalities.

Source

The data for this package was obtained from A Regional Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes - 2014.

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See Also

Use search_mtsta() function to search and match species names using this base data.

Examples

```
data("mtsta_tab")
```

search_mtsta

Search for Matching Species Names in the Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes

Description

This function searches for matching species names in the Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes (mtsta package) based on a provided list of species names. The function performs approximate matching using the Levenshtein distance algorithm to find similar names within a specified maximum distance.

Usage

```
search_mtsta(splist, max_distance = 0.1, ...)
```

Arguments

splist

A character vector containing the species names to be matched.

max_distance

The distance used is a generalized Levenshtein distance that indicates the total number of insertions, deletions, and substitutions allowed to match the two names. It can be expressed as an integer or as the fraction of the binomial name. A value between 0 and 1 will be treated as a percentage of the string length. A value greater than 1 will be treated as an absolute number of allowed changes. For example, a name with length 10, and a max_distance = 0.1, allow only one change (insertion, deletion, or substitution). A max_distance = 2, allows two changes.

Additional arguments (currently unused).

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

- name_submitted: The submitted species names.
- name_matched: The matched species names from the mtsta data.
- accepted_name: The accepted scientific name of the matched species.
- accepted_family: The accepted family name of the matched species.
- accepted_genus: The accepted genus name of the matched species.

- taxonomic_status: The taxonomic status of the matched species.
- iucn: The conservation status of the matched species according to the IUCN Red List Categories.
- distribution: The distribution range of the matched species.
- unsure_distribution: Information about the uncertainty in the distribution data.
- elevation: The elevation range where the species is found.
- assessor: The person or group responsible for assessing the species.
- description: Additional information or description of the species.
- distance: The Levenshtein distance between the submitted name and the matched name.

If no match is found, the name_matched column will contain "nill", and the other columns will be empty.

See Also

```
mtsta::mtsta_tab
```

Examples

search_mtsta_distribution

Search Species Distribution of A Regional Red List of Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes

Description

This function searches the Montane Tree Species of the Tropical Andes distribution database for a list of submitted species names and returns their distribution information. The search allows for approximate string matching within a given maximum distance.

Usage

```
search_mtsta_distribution(splist, max_distance = 0.1, typedf = "main")
```

Arguments

splist Character vector of submitted plant species names for which distribution data is

to be searched.

max_distance Numeric value representing the maximum allowed distance for approximate

string matching. The default value is 0.1.

typedf "main" return a selected columns in from mtsta_distribution "full" return all data

Details

The function uses approximate string matching with a maximum distance specified by the max_distance argument. It searches the mtsta distribution database for submitted species names that match the provided names within the given distance. The function then retrieves distribution information, including the accepted name, distribution region, unsure distribution (if available), distribution from the World Check-list of Vascular Plants (WCVP), taxonomic status, and the Levenshtein distance between submitted and matched species names.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

name_submitted Character vector with the submitted species names.

name_matched Character vector with the matched species names in the database.

accepted_name Character vector with the accepted names of the matched species.

distribution Character vector with the distribution of the matched species.

unsure_distribution Character vector with information about unsure distribution (if available).

distribution_wcvp Character vector with the distribution from the World Check-list of Vascular Plants (WCVP) database for the matched species.

taxonomic_status Character vector indicating the taxonomic status of the matched species.

distance Numeric vector with the Levenshtein distance between submitted and matched species names.

See Also

```
mtsta_distribution
```

Examples

```
# Example usage of search_mtsta_distribution function
species_list <- c("Escallonia mirtilloydes", "Ilex rimbachii", "Saurauia lehmannii")
distribution_data <- search_mtsta_distribution(species_list, max_distance = 0.2)
print(distribution_data)</pre>
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