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<b>alphabetFrequency</b>	<i>XNAAlphabetFrequency returns letters frequency for a given object in base, sugar or backbone slot</i>
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## Description

XNAAlphabetFrequency returns letters frequency for a given object in base, sugar or backbone slot  
 XNAAlphabetFrequency method returns alphabet frequency for a given object. It works for 3 slots: base, sugar and backbone. If matrix\_nbr equals 1, alphabet frequency for the first elements in the slot is returned. Letters can be given as argument, otherwise unique letters in object's dictionary are in use.

## Usage

```
XNAAlphabetFrequencyFun(
  obj,
  slot,
  letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
```

```

)
XNAAlphabetFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE,
  ...
)
## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
XNAAlphabetFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
)
## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
XNAAlphabetFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

<code>obj</code>	XNAString or XNAStringSet class
<code>slot</code>	string (slot name: base, sugar or backbone)
<code>letters</code>	character (or character vector)
<code>matrix_nbr</code>	numeric (1 or 2, if 1 - first slot's element is use, if 2 - 2nd element in slot)
<code>as.prob</code>	logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence
<code>base_only</code>	logical - if TRUE, frequency checked for 'A', 'C', 'G', 'T', other
<code>...</code>	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

## Value

matrix (frequency matrix for a given slot)

## Examples

```

xnastring_obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = c("AACC", "GGEE"),
  sugar = c("FFOO", "OODD")
)
XNAAlphabetFrequency(obj = xnastring_obj,
  slot = "base")
XNAAlphabetFrequency(obj = xnastring_obj,
  slot = "base",
  as.prob = TRUE)
XNAAlphabetFrequency(obj = xnastring_obj,
  slot = "base",
  base_only = TRUE)
XNAAlphabetFrequency(obj = xnastring_obj,
  slot = "base",
  letters = c("A", "C"))
XNAAlphabetFrequency(obj = xnastring_obj,
  slot = "base",
  matrix_nbr = 2)

xnastring_obj_2 <- XNAString(
  base = c("ATCG"),
  sugar = c("FODD"),
  backbone = c("SBB")
)
XNAStringSet_obj <- XNAStringSet(objects = list(
  xnastring_obj,
  xnastring_obj_2
))
XNAAlphabetFrequency(XNAStringSet_obj, "sugar")

```

backbone

*Backbone setter/getter method*

## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

## Usage

```

backbone(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
backbone(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
backbone(x, i = 1)

```

```

backbone(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
backbone(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
backbone(x, i = 1) <- value

```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```

my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
backbone(obj)

```

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base	<i>Base setter/getter method</i>
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## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

## Usage

```
base(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
base(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
base(x, i = 1)

base(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
base(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
base(x, i = 1) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
base(obj)
```

### changeBase

*Translate base slot based on complementary bases dictionary. Base sequence in transformed using compl\_target column.*

## Description

Translate base slot based on complementary bases dictionary. Base sequence in transformed using compl\_target column.

## Usage

```
changeBase(compl_dict, bases)
```

## Arguments

compl_dict	complementary bases dictionary
bases	string, one or two-elements vector

## Value

string

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complementary\_bases     *Default XNAString complementarity dictionary*

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### Description

A dataset containing default internal XNAString dictionary with base complementary.

### Usage

```
data(complementary_bases)
```

### Format

A data.table with 6 rows and 3 variables:

**base** base symbol  
**target** complementary base  
**compl\_target** complementary target

### Source

RMR internal bioinformatics database (Mimir)

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compl\_dictionary     *Compl\_dictionary setter/getter method*

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### Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

### Usage

```
compl_dictionary(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
compl_dictionary(x)

compl_dictionary(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
compl_dictionary(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
compl_dictionary(obj)
```

## concatDict

*Concatenate HELM-symbol custom dictionary with built-in HELM-symbol dictionary (xna\_dictionary)*

## Description

Concatenate HELM-symbol custom dictionary with built-in HELM-symbol dictionary (xna\_dictionary)

## Usage

```
concatDict(
  custom_dict,
  default_dict = xna_dictionary,
  helm_colname = "HELM",
  type_colname = "type",
  symbol_colname = "symbol"
)
```

**Arguments**

custom_dict	custom HELM-symbol dictionary
default_dict	built-in HELM-symbol dictionary (xna_dictionary)
helm_colname	helm column name in custom dictionary
type_colname	type column name in custom dictionary
symbol_colname	symbol column name in custom dictionary

**Value**

data.table

**Examples**

```
my_dict <- data.table::data.table(
  HELM = c("[[B]]"),
  type = c("base"),
  symbol = c("B")
)
concatDict(my_dict)
```

conjugate3

*Conjugate3 setter/getter method***Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```
conjugate3(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
conjugate3(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
conjugate3(x, i = 1)

conjugate3(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
conjugate3(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
conjugate3(x, i = 1) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
conjugate3(obj)
```

## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```
conjugate5(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
conjugate5(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
conjugate5(x, i = 1)

conjugate5(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
conjugate5(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
conjugate5(x, i = 1) <- value
```

**Arguments**

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

**Details**

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

**Value**

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

**Examples**

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
```

```

    dictionary = my_dic
)
conjugate5(obj)

```

**default\_backbone**      *Default\_backbone setter/getter method*

## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

## Usage

```

default_backbone(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
default_backbone(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
default_backbone(x)

default_backbone(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
default_backbone(x) <- value

```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  default_sugar = 'F',
  default_backbone = 'X',
  dictionary = my_dic
)
default_backbone(obj)
```

`default_sugar`

*Default\_sugar setter/getter method*

## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

## Usage

```
default_sugar(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
default_sugar(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
default_sugar(x)

default_sugar(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
default_sugar(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  default_sugar = 'F',
  default_backbone = 'X',
  dictionary = my_dic
)
default_sugar(obj)
```

## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

## Usage

```
dictionary(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
dictionary(x)

dictionary(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
dictionary(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
dictionary(obj)
```

dinucleotideFrequency *XNADinucleotideFrequencyFun returns double letters frequency for a given object in base, sugar or backbone slot*

## Description

XNADinucleotideFrequencyFun returns double letters frequency for a given object in base, sugar or backbone slot

XNADinucleotideFrequency method returns dinucleotide frequency for a given object. It works for 3 slots: base, sugar and backbone. If matrix\_nbr equals 1, dinucleotide frequency for the first elements in the slot is returned. Double letters can be given as argument, otherwise unique double letters in object's dictionary are in use.

**Usage**

```
XNADinucleotideFrequencyFun(
  obj,
  slot,
  double_letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
)

XNADinucleotideFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  double_letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
XNADinucleotideFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  double_letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
XNADinucleotideFrequency(
  obj,
  slot,
  double_letters = NA,
  matrix_nbr = 1,
  as.prob = FALSE,
  base_only = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>obj</code>	XNAString or XNAStringSet class
<code>slot</code>	string (slot name: base, sugar or backbone)
<code>double_letters</code>	string (or string vector) - double letters
<code>matrix_nbr</code>	numeric (1 or 2, if 1 - first slot's element is use, if 2 - 2nd element in slot)
<code>as.prob</code>	logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence

base_only	logical - if TRUE, frequency checked for 'A', 'C', 'G', 'T', other
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

**Value**

matrix (frequency matrix for a given slot)

**Examples**

```
my_dic <-  
data.table::data.table(  
  type = c(rep("base", 3), rep("sugar", 2), rep("backbone", 3)),  
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")  
)  
xnastring_obj <- XNAString(  
  name = "b",  
  base = c("GGEG"),  
  sugar = c("FFOO"),  
  dictionary = my_dic  
)  
XNAString::XNADinucleotideFrequency(  
  obj = xnastring_obj,  
  slot = "base",  
  matrix_nbr = 1  
)
```

**dt2Set**

*Function which creates XNAstringSet object from table with base, sugar and backbone columns.*

**Description**

Function which creates XNAstringSet object from table with base, sugar and backbone columns.

**Usage**

```
dt2Set(  
  table,  
  col.base = "base",  
  col.sugar = "sugar",  
  col.backbone = "backbone",  
  col.target = "target",  
  default_sugar = NA,  
  default_backbone = NA,  
  compl_dict = complementary_bases  
)
```

**Arguments**

table	data.table or data.frame (must include base, sugar and backbone columns)
col.base	character (name of base column)
col.sugar	character (name of sugar column)
col.backbone	character (name of backbone column)
col.target	character (name of target column)
default_sugar	character - only one letter. Will be replicated nchar(base) times
default_backbone	character - only one letter. Will be replicated nchar(base)-1 times
compl_dict	data.table with following columns: "base", "target". By default internal XNAS-string dictionary is used

**Value**

XNAStringSet object

**Examples**

```
dt <- data.table::data.table(
  base = c("TT", "GG"),
  sugar = c("FF", "FO"),
  backbone = c("S", "S")
)
dt2Set(dt)
```

**duplex\_structure**      *Duplex\_structure setter/getter method*

**Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```
duplex_structure(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
duplex_structure(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
duplex_structure(x)

duplex_structure(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
duplex_structure(x) <- value
```

## Arguments

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
duplex_structure(obj)
```

helm2String

*Translate RNA from HELM notation to multi-string notation*

## Description

This function translates RNA molecules encoded in HELM notation into multi-string notation. It uses dictionary which links HELM code for base, sugar and backbone elements with symbols used in multi-string notation.

## Usage

```
helm2String(helm, dictionary = xna_dictionary, remove_linker = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

helm	string with HELM sequence, which contains one RNA polymer and optionally CHEM element
dictionary	data.table with following columns: "HELM", "type", "symbol". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used.
remove_linker	logical defines if linker should be clipped from RNA

**Value**

named list of strings with following elements: base, sugar, backbone, conjugate5, conjugate3

**Author(s)**

Marianna Plucinska

**Examples**

```
helm2String("RNA1{[dR](A)P.[dR](A)P.[dR](A)}$$$$V2.0")
```

**instanceOf**

*Check on an object type*

**Description**

Check on an object type

**Usage**

```
instanceOf(object, type)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object of any class
type	class of an object

**Value**

logical information. TRUE if object class equals type

**Examples**

```
instanceOf(1, "numeric")
```

<code>listOflists2Dt</code>	<i>Save list of lists as data.table</i>
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### Description

Save list of lists as data.table

### Usage

```
listOflists2Dt(list_of_lists)
```

### Arguments

`list_of_lists` list of lists that will be saved as data.table.

### Value

data.table

### Examples

```
nested_list <- list(
  list(base = c("T"), sugar = c("G")),
  list(base = c("U"), sugar = c("G"))
)
listOflists2Dt(nested_list)
```

<code>mimir2XnaDict</code>	<i>Reformat mimir table to XNA dictionary standards</i>
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### Description

Reformat mimir table to XNA dictionary standards

### Usage

```
mimir2XnaDict(table, base.col, sugar.col, backbone.col)
```

### Arguments

<code>table</code>	data.table or data.frame (must include "HELM", "TS_BASE_SEQ", "TS_SUGAR_SEQ" and "TS_BACKBONE_SEQ" columns)
<code>base.col</code>	character (base column name)
<code>sugar.col</code>	character (sugar column name)
<code>backbone.col</code>	character (backbone column name)

## Value

`data.table` (written in the `xna_dictionary` format)

## Examples

```
dt <- data.table::data.table(HELM = c("[PPG]", "[fR]", "[srP]"),
                             TS_BASE_SEQ = c("F", NA, NA),
                             TS_SUGAR_SEQ = c(NA, NA, 'F'),
                             TS_BACKBONE_SEQ = c(NA, 'S', NA))
mimir2XnaDict(dt, 'TS_BASE_SEQ', 'TS_SUGAR_SEQ', 'TS_BACKBONE_SEQ')
```

name	<i>Name setter/getter method</i>
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## Description

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from `XNAString` and `XNAStringSet` objects. E.g. `name` method extracts name slot from `XNAString/XNAStringSet` object.

## Usage

```
name(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
name(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
name(x, i = 1)

name(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
name(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
name(x, i = 1) <- value
```

## Arguments

- `x` `XNAString/XNAStringSet` object
- `...` optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
- `i` numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for `XNAStringSet` objects.
- `value` character vector applied only for setter method

## Details

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

## Value

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FF0",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
name(obj)
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj1 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FF0",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = c("GGE", "EEE"),
  sugar = c("FF0", "OOO"),
  dictionary = my_dic
)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects = list(obj1, obj2))
name(XNAStringSetObj)
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
```

```

),
symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
name(obj) <- "new_name"
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj1 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = c("GGE", "EEE"),
  sugar = c("FFO", "OOO"),
  dictionary = my_dic
)
)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects = list(obj1, obj2))
name(XNAStringSetObj, 1) <- c("new1", "new2")

```

**objects***Objects getter method for XNAStringSet class***Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAStringSet objects. E.g. `objects` method extracts `objects` slot from XNAStringSet object. It is a list of XNAString objects.

**Usage**

```

objects(x, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
objects(x)

```

**Arguments**

- x XNAStringSet object
- ... optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

**Value**

list of XNAString objects

**Examples**

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(type = c(rep('base',3),
                                         rep('sugar',2),
                                         rep('backbone',3)),
                                         symbol = c('G', 'E', 'A', 'F',
                                         'O', 'S', 'B', 'X'))
obj2 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                    base = 'GGE',
                    sugar = 'FF0',
                    dictionary = my_dic)
obj3 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                    base = c('GGE','EEE'),
                    sugar = c('FF0', '000'),
                    dictionary = my_dic)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects=list(obj2, obj3))
objects(XNAStringSetObj)
```

`parseRnaHelmComponent` *Parse monomers from HELM to multi-string notation*

**Description**

Parse monomers from HELM to multi-string notation

**Usage**

```
parseRnaHelmComponent(rna_component, dictionary = xna_dictionary)
```

**Arguments**

- rna\_component list of monomers building RNA
- dictionary data.table with following columns: "HELM", "type", "symbol". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used.

**Value**

list of three strings: base, sugar, backbone

**Author(s)**

Marianna Plucinska

**Examples**

```
parseRnaHelmComponent(c("[dR](A)P", "[dR](A)P", "[dR](A)"))
```

**predictDuplexStructure**

*Compute Minimum Free Energy (MFE), and a corresponding secondary structure for two dimerized RNA sequences.*

**Description**

This function is a wrapper for RNACofold from ViennaRNA package.

**Usage**

```
predictDuplexStructureFun(obj)
predictDuplexStructure(obj, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
predictDuplexStructure(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj	XNAString object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

**Value**

list (structure and mfe)

**Examples**

```
obj1 <- XNAString(
  base = "ATCG",
  sugar = "FODD",
  conjugate3 = "TAG"
)
predictDuplexStructure(obj1)
```

---

`predictMfeStructure`    *Prediction of MFE structure with ViennaRNA package*

---

### Description

This function is a wrapper for RNAfold from ViennaRNA package.

### Usage

```
predictMfeStructureFun(obj)

predictMfeStructure(obj, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
predictMfeStructure(obj)
```

### Arguments

<code>obj</code>	XNAString object
<code>...</code>	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

### Value

character, secondary structure in dot-bracket notation

### Examples

```
obj1 <- XNAString(
  base = "ATCG",
  sugar = "FODD",
  conjugate3 = "TAG"
)
predictMfeStructure(obj1)
```

---

`reverseComplementFun`    *Reverse complement sequence based on dictionary*

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### Description

Reverse complement sequence based on dictionary

### Usage

```
reverseComplementFun(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj	XNAString object
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**Value**

string with reverse complement sequence

secondary_structure	<i>Secondary_structure setter/getter method</i>
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**Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```
secondary_structure(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
secondary_structure(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
secondary_structure(x)

secondary_structure(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
secondary_structure(x) <- value
```

**Arguments**

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
value	character vector applied only for setter method

**Details**

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

**Value**

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
secondary_structure(obj)
```

**seqAlphabetFrequency** *Create set of functions and methods to calculate alphabet frequency in base, sugar and backbone slots*

## Description

Create set of functions and methods to calculate alphabet frequency in base, sugar and backbone slots

## Usage

```
seqAlphabetFrequency(unique_letters, seq, as.prob)
```

## Arguments

unique_letters	string (or character) - these letters pose column names
seq	string (or character) - frequency is calculated for this string
as.prob	logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence

## Value

numeric - named numeric vector

## Examples

```
seqAlphabetFrequency(c("A", "B", "C"), c("AABA"), as.prob = FALSE)
```

**seqDinucleotideFrequency**

*Create set of functions and methods to calculate dinucleotide frequency in base, sugar and backbone slots*

---

**Description**

Create set of functions and methods to calculate dinucleotide frequency in base, sugar and backbone slots

**Usage**

```
seqDinucleotideFrequency(unique_sets, seq, as.prob)
```

**Arguments**

unique_sets	string vector of double letters -these letters pose column names
seq	string (or character) - frequency is calculated for this string
as.prob	logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence

**Value**

numeric - named numeric vector

**Examples**

```
seqDinucleotideFrequency(c("AB", "BA", "CD"),
                         "ABABAB",
                         as.prob = FALSE)
seqDinucleotideFrequency(c("GC", "CG", "CC"),
                         "GCCG",
                         as.prob = FALSE)
```

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**seqVectorAlphabetFrequency**

*seqVectorAlphabetFrequency function calculates frequency for strings vector*

---

**Description**

seqVectorAlphabetFrequency function calculates frequency for strings vector

**Usage**

```
seqVectorAlphabetFrequency(unique_letters, seq_vec, as.prob)
```

**Arguments**

- unique\_letters string (or character) - these letters pose column names
- seq\_vec vector of strings (or characters) - frequency will be calculated for this vector
- as.prob logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence

**Value**

matrix - each row denotes frequency for a specific string of vector

**Examples**

```
seqVectorAlphabetFrequency(c("A", "B", "C"),
  c("AABA", "BBBCCC"),
  as.prob = FALSE
)
```

**seqVectorDinucleotideFrequency**

*seqVectorDinucleotideFrequency function calculates frequency for strings vector*

**Description**

seqVectorDinucleotideFrequency function calculates frequency for strings vector

**Usage**

```
seqVectorDinucleotideFrequency(unique_sets, seq_vec, as.prob)
```

**Arguments**

- unique\_sets string vector of double letters -these letters pose column names
- seq\_vec vector of strings (or characters) - frequency will be calculated for this vector
- as.prob logical - if TRUE frequency returned as probability of occurrence

**Value**

matrix - each row denotes frequency for a specific string of vector

**Examples**

```
seqVectorDinucleotideFrequency(c("AB", "BA", "CD"),
  c("ABABAB", "ABABCD"),
  as.prob = FALSE)
```

**set2Dt***set2Dt function - changes XNAStringSet object to data.table***Description**

`set2Dt` function - changes XNAStringSet object to data.table

**Usage**

```
set2Dt(obj, slots)
```

**Arguments**

obj	XNAStringSet object
slots	slots that are saved as column names (possibilities: "name", "base", "sugar", "backbone", "target", "conjugate5", "conjugate3" and "dictionary" )

**Value**

data.table

**Examples**

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(type = c(rep('base',3),
                                         rep('sugar',2),
                                         rep('backbone',3)),
                                         symbol = c('G', 'E', 'A', 'F',
                                         'O', 'S', 'B', 'X'))
obj2 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                    base = 'GGE',
                    sugar = 'FF0',
                    dictionary = my_dic)
obj3 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                    base = c('GGE','EEE'),
                    sugar = c('FF0', '000'),
                    dictionary = my_dic)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects=list(obj2, obj3))
set2Dt(XNAStringSetObj, c('base', 'sugar'))

my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
```

```

base = "GGE",
sugar = "FFO",
dictionary = my_dic
)
obj3 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = c("GGE", "EEE"),
  sugar = c("FFO", "000"),
  dictionary = my_dic
)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects = list(obj2, obj3))
set2Dt(XNAStringSetObj, c("base", "sugar"))

```

**set2List**

*Define method to save XNAStringSet object as a list of XNAString objects*

**Description**

Define method to save XNAStringSet object as a list of XNAString objects

**Usage**

```

set2List(obj)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
set2List(obj)

```

**Arguments**

obj            XNAStringSet object

**Value**

list of XNAString objects

**Examples**

```

my_dic <- data.table::data.table(type = c(rep('base',3),
                                         rep('sugar',2),
                                         rep('backbone',3)),
                                         symbol = c('G', 'E', 'A', 'F',
                                         'O', 'S', 'B', 'X'))
obj2 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                   base = 'GGE',
                   sugar = 'FFO',
                   dictionary = my_dic)
obj3 <- XNAString(name = 'b',
                   base = c('GGE', 'EEE'),

```

```

sugar = c('FF0', '000'),
dictionary = my_dic)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects=list(obj2, obj3))
set2List(XNAStringSetObj)

```

**siRNA\_HELM**

*siRNA\_HELM function takes XNAString object and returns pairing information for base slot. Works only for double stranded molecules.*

**Description**

siRNA\_HELM function takes XNAString object and returns pairing information for base slot. Works only for double stranded molecules.

**Usage**

```
siRNA_HELM(xnastring_obj)
```

**Arguments**

xnastring\_obj XNAString object

**Value**

string

**Examples**

```

obj1 <- XNAString(
base = c("CCCCUGCCGUGGUUCAUAA", "UUUAUGAACACGGCAGGGCG"),
sugar = c("OOFOFOFOFOFOFOFOF", "FFOFOFOFOFOFOFOFOFO"),
backbone = c("00000000000000000000", "00000000000000000000"),
conjugate3 = c(""))
siRNA_HELM(obj1)

```

**sugar**

*Sugar setter/getter method*

**Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```
sugar(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
sugar(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
sugar(x, i = 1)

sugar(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
sugar(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
sugar(x, i = 1) <- value
```

**Arguments**

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

**Details**

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

**Value**

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

**Examples**

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FF0",
```

```

    dictionary = my_dic
)
sugar(obj)

```

target

*Target setter/getter method***Description**

Getter methods enable extraction of single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name method extracts name slot from XNAString/XNAStringSet object.

**Usage**

```

target(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
target(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
target(x, i = 1)

target(x, ...) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAString'
target(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
target(x, i = 1) <- value

```

**Arguments**

x	XNAString/XNAStringSet object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
i	numeric - possibilities: 1 or 2. If 1 - 1st slots elements printed out, 2nd otherwise. In case the second element is not in the object, empty char created. This parameter is only available for XNAStringSet objects.
value	character vector applied only for setter method

**Details**

Setter methods enable overwriting single slots from XNAString and XNAStringSet objects. E.g. name<- method overwrites existing name slot

**Value**

vector in getter method, XNAStringSet object (with replaced name slot) in setter method

### Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
target(obj)
```

typedListCheck

*Check if all objects are of XNAString class and dictionaries are the same*

### Description

Check if all objects are of XNAString class and dictionaries are the same

### Usage

```
typedListCheck(object)
```

### Arguments

object	an object of any class. An object must contain 'objects' (list type) slot
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### Value

logical information. Checks the whole list of objects, TRUE if class of all objects equals 'XNAString' and their dictionaries are the same.

### Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
```

```

name = "b",
base = "GGE",
sugar = "FFO",
dictionary = my_dic
)
obj3 <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = c("GGE", "EEE"),
  sugar = c("FFO", "OOO"),
  dictionary = my_dic
)
XNAStringSetObj <- XNAStringSet(objects = list(obj2, obj3))
typedListCheck(XNAStringSetObj)

```

**uniqueChars**

*Utility functions useful when programming and developing XNAString class*

**Description**

Utility functions useful when programming and developing XNAString class

**Usage**

`uniqueChars(x)`

**Arguments**

`x`                  A string vector

**Value**

A list of vectors with unique characters found in `x` string

**Examples**

```

uniqueChars("TRGFFTR")
uniqueChars(c("TRGFFTR", "AATGRC"))

```

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XNAMatchPattern	<i>Finds pattern in reference sequence</i>
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## Description

This is function finding all the occurrences of a given pattern (typically short) in a (typically long) reference sequence

## Usage

```
XNAMatchPattern(  
  pattern,  
  subject,  
  target.number = 1,  
  max.mismatch = 0,  
  min.mismatch = 0,  
  with.indels = FALSE,  
  fixed = TRUE,  
  algorithm = "auto"  
)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,character'  
XNAMatchPattern(  
  pattern,  
  subject,  
  target.number = 1,  
  max.mismatch = 0,  
  min.mismatch = 0,  
  with.indels = FALSE,  
  fixed = TRUE,  
  algorithm = "auto"  
)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,XString'  
XNAMatchPattern(  
  pattern,  
  subject,  
  target.number = 1,  
  max.mismatch = 0,  
  min.mismatch = 0,  
  with.indels = FALSE,  
  fixed = TRUE,  
  algorithm = "auto"  
)
```

## Arguments

pattern	XNAString object with non-empty target slot
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<b>subject</b>	string or DNAString object
<b>target.number</b>	numeric - if target is a multi-element vector, then specify which element in use. 1 is the default
<b>max.mismatch</b>	The maximum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
<b>min.mismatch</b>	The minimum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
<b>with.indels</b>	If TRUE then indels are allowed. In that case, min.mismatch must be 0 and max.mismatch is interpreted as the maximum "edit distance" allowed between the pattern and a match. Note that in order to avoid pollution by redundant matches, only the "best local matches" are returned. Roughly speaking, a "best local match" is a match that is locally both the closest (to the pattern P) and the shortest.
<b>fixed</b>	If TRUE (the default), an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can only match the same code in the subject, and vice versa. If FALSE, an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can match any letter in the subject that is associated with the code, and vice versa.
<b>algorithm</b>	One of the following: "auto", "naive-exact", "naive-inexact", "boyer-moore", "shift-or" or "indels".

### Value

an [XStringViews](#) object for `matchPattern`.

### Examples

```
s1 <-
  XNAString::XNAString(
    base = Biostings::DNAString("GCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA"),
    sugar = "FODDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD",
    target = Biostings::DNAStringSet("GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA")
)
XNAString::XNAMatchPattern(
  s1,
  "GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACAGGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA"
)
```

### Description

This is function finding all the occurrences of a given set of patterns (typically short) in a (typically long) reference sequence

**Usage**

```
XNAMatchPDict(
  pdict,
  subject,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto",
  verbose = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,character'
XNAMatchPDict(
  pdict,
  subject,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto",
  verbose = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,XString'
XNAMatchPDict(
  pdict,
  subject,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto",
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>pdict</code>	XNAString object, target slot taken as pdict object from Biostrings
<code>subject</code>	string containing sequence
<code>max.mismatch</code>	The maximum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
<code>min.mismatch</code>	The minimum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
<code>with.indels</code>	If TRUE then indels are allowed. In that case, min.mismatch must be 0 and max.mismatch is interpreted as the maximum "edit distance" allowed between the pattern and a match. Note that in order to avoid pollution by redundant

matches, only the "best local matches" are returned. Roughly speaking, a "best local match" is a match that is locally both the closest (to the pattern P) and the shortest.

<b>fixed</b>	If TRUE (the default), an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can only match the same code in the subject, and vice versa. If FALSE, an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can match any letter in the subject that is associated with the code, and vice versa.
<b>algorithm</b>	One of the following: "auto", "naive-exact", "naive-inexact", "boyer-moore", "shift-or" or "indels".
<b>verbose</b>	TRUE or FALSE.

### Value

an **MIndex** object of length M, and countPDict an integer vector of length M.

### Examples

```
s2 <-
XNAString::XNAString(
  base = "GCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA",
  sugar = "FODDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD",
  target = Biostrings::DNAStringSet(c(
    "GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA", "GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA"
  )))
)
o <- XNAString::XNAMatchPDict(
  s2,
  "GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACAGGGGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACACGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA"
)
```

**xnaObj2Dt**

*xnaObj2Dt function - changes XNAString object to data.table*

### Description

xnaObj2Dt function - changes XNAString object to data.table

### Usage

`xnaObj2Dt(obj, slots)`

### Arguments

<b>obj</b>	XNAString object
<b>slots</b>	slots that are saved as column names (possibilities: "name", "base", "sugar", "backbone", "target", "conjugate5", "conjugate3" and "dictionary" )

**Value**

```
data.table
```

XNAPairwiseAlignment *Pairwise alignment methods for XNAString object*

**Description**

This function performs pairwise alignment for sequences stored in target slot of XNAString object with subject

**Usage**

```
XNAPairwiseAlignment(pattern, subject, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,character'
XNAPairwiseAlignment(
  pattern,
  subject,
  type = "global",
  substitutionMatrix = NULL,
  fuzzyMatrix = NULL,
  gapOpening = 10,
  gapExtension = 4,
  scoreOnly = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<b>pattern</b>	XNAString object, pattern taken from target slot.
<b>subject</b>	a character vector of length 1, an XString, or an XStringSet object of length 1.
<b>...</b>	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods
<b>type</b>	type of alignment. One of "global", "local", "overlap", "global-local", and "local-global" where "global" = align whole strings with end gap penalties, "local" = align string fragments, "overlap" = align whole strings without end gap penalties, "global-local" = align whole strings in pattern with consecutive subsequence of subject, "local-global" = align consecutive subsequence of pattern with whole strings in subject.
<b>substitutionMatrix</b>	substitution matrix representing the fixed substitution scores for an alignment. It cannot be used in conjunction with patternQuality and subjectQuality arguments.
<b>fuzzyMatrix</b>	fuzzy match matrix for quality-based alignments. It takes values between 0 and 1; where 0 is an unambiguous mismatch, 1 is an unambiguous match, and values in between represent a fraction of "matchiness".

gapOpening	the cost for opening a gap in the alignment.
gapExtension	the incremental cost incurred along the length of the gap in the alignment.
scoreOnly	logical to denote whether or not to return just the scores of the optimal pairwise alignment.

**Value**

an instance of class [PairwiseAlignments](#)

**Examples**

```
mat <-
  pwalign::nucleotideSubstitutionMatrix(
    match = 1,
    mismatch = -3,
    baseOnly = TRUE
)
s1 <-
  XNASTring::XNASTring(
    base = "GCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA",
    sugar = "FODDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD",
    target = Biostrings::DNAStringSet("GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA")
)

XNASTring::XNAPairwiseAlignment(s1,
  "ACCCACACACACACACACACAC",
  "global",
  substitutionMatrix = mat
)
```

XNAReverseComplement *Reverse complement sequence based on dictionary*

**Description**

Reverse complement sequence based on dictionary

**Usage**

```
XNAReverseComplement(obj, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'XNASTring'
XNAReverseComplement(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj	XNASTring object
...	optional arguments to generic function to support additional methods

**Value**

string with reverse complement sequence

**Examples**

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj <- XNAString(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
XNAReserveComplement(obj)
```

**XNAString-class**

*Development of XNAString class aims at enabling efficient manipulation of modified oligonucleotide sequences. The class consists of the following slots: name, base, sugar, backbone, target, conjugate5, conjugate3, secondary\_structure, duplex\_structure, dictionary (HELM-string dictionary), compl\_dictionary.*

**Description**

The package inherits some of the functionalities from Biostrings package. In contrary to Biostrings sequences, XNAString classes allow for description of base sequence, sugar and backbone in a single object. XNAString is able to capture single stranded oligonucleotides, siRNAs, PNAs, shRNAs, gRNAs and synthetic mRNAs, and enable users to apply sequence-manipulating Bioconductor packages to their analysis. XNAString can read and write a HELM notation, compute alphabet frequency, align and match targets.

**Usage**

```
XNAString(
  name,
  base,
  sugar,
  backbone,
  target,
  conjugate5,
  conjugate3,
  secondary_structure,
```

```

duplex_structure,
dictionary,
compl_dictionary,
default_sugar,
default_backbone
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
initialize(
.Object,
name,
base,
sugar,
backbone,
target,
conjugate5,
conjugate3,
secondary_structure,
duplex_structure,
dictionary,
compl_dictionary,
default_sugar,
default_backbone
)

seqtype(x)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString'
seqtype(x)

```

### Arguments

name	string (or character)
base	string (or character), RNAString, RNAStringSet, DNAString or DNAStringSet
sugar	string (or character)
backbone	string (or character)
target	DNAStringSet, DNAString or character
conjugate5	string (or character)
conjugate3	string (or character)
secondary_structure	list
duplex_structure	list

dictionary	data.table with following columns: "HELM", "type", "symbol". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used.
compl_dictionary	data.table with following columns: "base", "target". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used
default_sugar	character, a single letter which will be replicated in sugar slot as default value
default_backbone	character, a single letter which will be replicated in backbone slot as default value
object	XNAString object
.Object	XNAString object
x	A single string specifying the type of sequences

## Value

Object which consists of name, base, sugar, backbone, target, conjugate5, conjugate3, secondary\_structure, duplex\_structure, dictionary, compl\_dictionary.

## Author(s)

Anna Gorska

## Examples

```

obj1 <- XNAString(
  base = "ATCG",
  sugar = "FODD",
  conjugate3 = "TAG"
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
  base = "ATCG",
  sugar = "FODD",
  backbone = "SBB"
)
str(obj2)
name(obj2) <- 'a'
base(obj2) <- 'ATTT'
sugar(obj2) <- 'LMFF'
backbone(obj2) <- 'BAB'
conjugate5(obj2) <- 'TFJSJG'
conjugate3(obj2) <- 'ARTSS'
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(type = c(rep('base',3),
                                         rep('sugar',2),
                                         rep('backbone',3)),
                                     symbol = c('G', 'E', 'A', 'F',
                                               'O', 'S', 'B', 'X'))
obj1 <- XNAString(base = 'AAE',
                  sugar = 'FFO',
                  backbone='SB',
                  dictionary = my_dic)

```

```

obj2 <- XNAString(base = c('EAA', 'AAAA'),
                   sugar = c('FF0', '0000'),
                   name = c('a'),
                   conjugate5 = c('TTT'),
                   dictionary = my_dic)

my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj1 <- XNAString(
  base = "AAE",
  sugar = "FF0",
  backbone = "SB",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
obj2 <- XNAString(
  base = c("EAA", "AAAA"),
  sugar = c("FF0", "0000"),
  name = c("a"),
  conjugate5 = c("TTT"),
  dictionary = my_dic
)

```

**XNAString2XNAStringSet**

*XNAString2XNAStringSet function - changes XNAString object to XNAStringSet*

**Description**

XNAString2XNAStringSet function - changes XNAString object to XNAStringSet

**Usage**

XNAString2XNAStringSet(XNAString\_obj)

**Arguments**

XNAString\_obj XNAString object

**Value**

XNAStringSet object

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xnastringClassUnions    *setClassUnion definitions*

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### Description

setClassUnion definitions used in XNAString class. charOrDNAOrRNA consists of character, DNAString, RNAString, DNAStringSet, RNAStringSet. charOrDNA consists of character, DNAStr-  
ing, DNAStringSet

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xnastringElementsNumber

*Function which checks if XNAString object satisfies predefined slots length*

---

### Description

Function which checks if XNAString object satisfies predefined slots length

### Usage

```
xnastringElementsNumber(  
    xnastring_obj,  
    cond_name = "==1",  
    cond_base,  
    cond_sugar,  
    cond_backbone,  
    cond_target = ">0",  
    cond_conj5 = "==1",  
    cond_conj3 = "==1"  
)
```

### Arguments

xnastring_obj	XNAString object
cond_name	allowed name elements in object
cond_base	allowed base elements in object
cond_sugar	allowed sugar elements in object
cond_backbone	allowed backbone elements in object
cond_target	allowed target elements in object
cond_conj5	allowed conj5 elements in object
cond_conj3	allowed conj3 elements in object

**Value**

logical

**Examples**

```
obj <- XNAString(
  base = c("EAA", "AAA"),
  sugar = c("FFO", "OOO"),
  name = c("a"),
  conjugate5 = c("TTT")
)
xnastringElementsNumber(obj,
  cond_name = "==1",
  cond_base = "%in% c(1,2)",
  cond_sugar = "%in% c(1,2)",
  cond_backbone = "%in% c(1,2)",
  cond_target = ">0",
  cond_conj5 = "==1",
  cond_conj = "=="1"
)
```

**XNAStringFromHelm**      *Create XNAString object from HELM - user interface*

**Description**

Create XNAString object from HELM - user interface

**Usage**

```
XNAStringFromHelm(
  helm,
  name = NA_character_,
  dictionary = xna_dictionary,
  compl_dictionary = complementary_bases,
  remove_linker = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

helm	string (or strings vector) with HELM sequence, which contains one RNA polymer and optionally CHEM element
name	character (or character vector)
dictionary	data.table with following columns: "HELM", "type", "symbol". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used.
compl_dictionary	data.table with following columns: "base", "target". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used
remove_linker	logical defines if linker should be clipped from RNA

**Value**

XNAString object if single helm, XNAStringSet object otherwise

**Author(s)**

Marianna Plucinska

**Examples**

```
XNAStringFromHelm("RNA1{[dR](A)P.[dR](A)P.[dR](A)}$$$$V2.0")
XNAStringFromHelm("RNA1{[dR](A)P.[dR](A)P.[dR](A)}$$$$V2.0", 'name')
XNAStringFromHelm(c("RNA1{[dR](A)P.[dR](A)P.[dR](A)}$$$$V2.0",
                   "RNA1{[dR](T)P.[dR](T)P.[dR](A)}$$$$V2.0"),
                   c('name1', 'name2'))
```

## XNAStringSet-class

*Create class which consists of XNAString objects given as a list*

**Description**

Create class which consists of XNAString objects given as a list

Create XNAStringSet object

Define show method

Method to extract a row/rows (either by row index or by 'name' slot) XNAStringSet object is returned.

Method to extract a single row (either by row index or by 'name' slot) XNAString object is returned.

**Usage**

```
XNAStringSet(
  objects = NA,
  base = NA,
  sugar = NA,
  backbone = NA,
  target = NA,
  col.base = "base",
  col.sugar = "sugar",
  col.backbone = "backbone",
  col.target = "target",
  default_sugar = NA,
  default_backbone = NA,
  compl_dict = complementary_bases
)
## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet'
```

```

show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet,ANY,ANY,ANY'
x[i]

## S4 method for signature 'XNAStringSet,ANY,ANY'
x[[i]]

```

### Arguments

objects	list of XNAString objects
base	string (or character), RNAString, RNAStringSet, DNAString or DNAStringSet. In use only when objects argument is empty.
sugar	string (or character). In use only when objects argument is empty.
backbone	string (or character). In use only when objects argument is empty.
target	DNAStringSet, DNAString or character. In use only when objects argument is empty.
col.base	character (name of base column). In use only when objects argument is empty.
col.sugar	character (name of sugar column). In use only when objects argument is empty.
col.backbone	character (name of backbone column). In use only when objects argument is empty.
col.target	character (name of target column). In use only when objects argument is empty.
default_sugar	character - only one letter. Will be replicated nchar(base) times. In use only when objects argument is empty.
default_backbone	character - only one letter. Will be replicated nchar(base)-1 times. In use only when objects argument is empty.
compl_dict	data.table with following columns: "base", "target". By default internal XNAString dictionary is used. In use only when objects argument is empty.
object	XNAStringSet object
x	XNAStringSet object
i	numeric, integer, character, logical - filter needed for extraction method

### Value

XNAStringSet object

### Author(s)

Anna Gorska

## Examples

```
my_dic <- data.table::data.table(
  type = c(
    rep("base", 3),
    rep("sugar", 2),
    rep("backbone", 3)
  ),
  symbol = c("G", "E", "A", "F", "O", "S", "B", "X")
)
obj1 <- XNASToHelm(
  name = "a",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  backbone = "SB",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
obj2 <- XNASToHelm(
  name = "b",
  base = "GGE",
  sugar = "FFO",
  backbone = "SB",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
obj3 <- XNASToHelm(
  name = "b",
  base = c("GGE", "EEE"),
  sugar = c("FFO", "OOO"),
  backbone = "SB",
  dictionary = my_dic
)
XNASToHelmSetObj <- XNASToHelmSet(objects = list(obj1, obj2, obj3))
```

XNASToHelm

*XNASToHelmFun function takes XNASToHelm object and translates base, sugar and backbone to HELM notation*

## Description

XNASToHelmFun function takes XNASToHelm object and translates base, sugar and backbone to HELM notation

## Usage

```
XNASToHelm(xnastring_obj, dictionary = xna_dictionary)
```

## Arguments

xnastring_obj	XNASToHelm object
dictionary	HELM-symbol dictionary

**Value**

string (HELM notation)

**Examples**

```
obj <- XNAString(
  base = "AAA",
  sugar = "DDD",
  backbone = "OO"
)
XNAStringToHelm(obj)
```

**XNAVmatchPattern**

*This is function finding all the occurrences of a given pattern (typically short) in a (typically long) set of reference sequences.*

**Description**

This is function finding all the occurrences of a given pattern (typically short) in a (typically long) set of reference sequences.

Implementation of this method is based on vmatchPatterm method from BSgenome

**Usage**

```
XNAVmatchPattern(
  pattern,
  subject,
  target.number = 1,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto",
  exclude = "",
  maskList = logical(0),
  userMask = IRanges::IRangesList(),
  invertUserMask = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,character'
XNAVmatchPattern(
  pattern,
  subject,
  target.number = 1,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
```

```

fixed = TRUE,
algorithm = "auto"
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,XStringSet'
XNAVmatchPattern(
  pattern,
  subject,
  target.number = 1,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto"
)

## S4 method for signature 'XNAString,BSgenome'
XNAVmatchPattern(
  pattern,
  subject,
  target.number = 1,
  max.mismatch = 0,
  min.mismatch = 0,
  with.indels = FALSE,
  fixed = TRUE,
  algorithm = "auto",
  exclude = "",
  maskList = logical(0),
  userMask = IRanges::IRangesList(),
  invertUserMask = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

pattern	XNAString object with non-empty target slot
subject	string, string vector or DNAString / DNAStringSet / chromosome from BSgenome object
target.number	numeric - if target is a multi-element vector, then specify which element in use. 1 is the default
max.mismatch	The maximum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
min.mismatch	The minimum number of mismatching letters allowed. If non-zero, an algorithm that supports inexact matching is used.
with.indels	If TRUE then indels are allowed. In that case, min.mismatch must be 0 and max.mismatch is interpreted as the maximum "edit distance" allowed between the pattern and a match. Note that in order to avoid pollution by redundant matches, only the "best local matches" are returned. Roughly speaking, a "best

	local match" is a match that is locally both the closest (to the pattern P) and the shortest.
fixed	If TRUE (the default), an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can only match the same code in the subject, and vice versa. If FALSE, an IUPAC ambiguity code in the pattern can match any letter in the subject that is associated with the code, and vice versa.
algorithm	One of the following: "auto", "naive-exact", "naive-inexact", "boyer-moore", "shift-or" or "indels".
exclude	A character vector with strings that will be used to filter out chromosomes whose names match these strings. Needed for BSParams object if subject is a chromosome object from BSGenome
maskList	A named logical vector of maskStates preferred when used with a BSGenome object. When using the bsapply function, the masks will be set to the states in this vector.
userMask	An IntegerRangesList, containing a mask to be applied to each chromosome.
invertUserMask	Whether the userMask should be inverted.

### Value

An [MIndex](#) object for vmatchPattern.

### Examples

```
s3 <-
XNAString::XNAString(
  base = "GCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA",
  sugar = "FODDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD",
  target = Biostrings::DNAStringSet(
    c("AAAAGCTTACAAATCCAAGATC", "GGCGGAGAGAGCACAGATACA")
  )
)
chrom <- BSGenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38$chr1
result <- XNAString::XNAMatchPattern(s3, chrom)
```

xna\_dictionary      *Default XNAString dictionary*

### Description

A dataset containing default internal XNAString dictionary with HELM to string translation.

### Usage

```
data(xna_dictionary)
```

**Format**

A data.table with 20 rows and 3 variables:

**HELM** HELM sequence coding monomer

**type** if element is coding base, sugar, backbone

**symbol** single string translation of HELM

**Source**

RMR internal bioinformatics database (Mimir)

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