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References

<http://blog.xkcd.com/2010/05/03/color-survey-results/>

name2color *Look up a color by name*

Description

Look up a color by exact or partial name.

Usage

```
name2color(name, exact = TRUE, hex_only = TRUE, n = -1)
```

Arguments

name	Character string giving color name
exact	If TRUE return only exact matches to the name, otherwise use grep to find partial matches
hex_only	If TRUE return only the color as a hex string, otherwise return the name and RGB as well
n	For partial matching, limit the results to the n highest-frequency (in the survey) colors.

Value

A character string with a hex color code, or a data frame

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References

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Examples

```
name2color("green")
name2color("green", exact=FALSE, hex_only=FALSE, n=10)
barplot(rep(1,10), col=name2color("green", exact=FALSE, n=10))
```

nearest_named

Find nearest named color to a specified color.

Description

Looks up the nearest (sufficiently popular) named color to the specified color

Usage

```
nearest_named(color, hex_only = FALSE, max_rank = -1, Lab=TRUE)
```

Arguments

color	Vector of character strings or matrix of RGB values
hex_only	if TRUE return only the hex string, otherwise all the data
max_rank	Consider only the max_rank most popular colors.
Lab	Use the 'Lab' color space if TRUE, otherwise RGB

Value

A hex string with the color, or a data frame

References

<http://blog.xkcd.com/2010/05/03/color-survey-results/>

Examples

```
nearest_named("#8f7303")
nearest_named("#8f7303",max_rank=100)
nearest_named("#8f7303",max_rank=10)
```

xcolors

List the XKCD survey colors

Description

Lists (a subset of) the 949 colors consistently identified in the XKCD web color survey.

Usage

```
xcolors(max_rank = -1)
```

Arguments

max_rank If positive, restrict to the top (most frequently named) max_rank colors.

Value

Vector of character strings

References

<http://blog.xkcd.com/2010/05/03/color-survey-results/>

Examples

```
xcolors(10)
name2color(xcolors(10))
barplot(rep(1,10),col=name2color(xcolors(10)))
```

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