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base_url_download	<i>Helper function: base url for download</i>
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### Description

Helper function: base url for download

### Usage

base\_url\_download()

**Value**

base url for download of csv/zip files prepared by R package

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columns_to_labels	<i>Create Text Labels from Data Frame Columns</i>
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**Description**

Create Text Labels from Data Frame Columns

**Usage**

```
columns_to_labels(data, columns, fmt = "%s: %s", sep = ", ")
```

**Arguments**

data	data frame
columns	names of columns from which to create labels
fmt	format string passed to <code>sprintf</code>
sep	separator (default: ", ")

**Value**

vector of character with as many elements as there are rows in data

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(number = 1:2, name = c("adam", "eva"), value = 3:4)
columns <- c("name", "value")
columns_to_labels(data, columns)
columns_to_labels(data, columns, fmt = "<p>%s: %s</p>", sep = "")
```

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get_api_tables	<i>Provide Tables of Wasserportal API Documentation</i>
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**Description**

The tables that appear in the API documentation of the wasserportal ([https://wasserportal.berlin.de/download/wasserportal\\_be](https://wasserportal.berlin.de/download/wasserportal_be)) have been added to the wasserportal package. This function returns a list of data frames with each element representing one of these tables.

**Usage**

```
get_api_tables(name = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

name of element from the list of data frames to be selected. If this argument is left blank (name = NULL), the default, the list of data frames is returned.

**Value**

list of data frames or data frame specified by the name argument

**Examples**

```
get_api_tables()
```

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```
get_daily_surfacewater_data
```

*Get Daily Surfacewater Data: wrapper to scrape daily surface water data*

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**Description**

Get Daily Surfacewater Data: wrapper to scrape daily surface water data

**Usage**

```
get_daily_surfacewater_data(  
  stations,  
  variables = get_surfacewater_variables(),  
  list2df = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

stations stations as retrieved by by [get\\_stations](#)  
variables variables as retrieved by by [get\\_surfacewater\\_variables](#)  
list2df convert result list to data frame (default: FALSE)

**Value**

list or data frame with all available data from Wasserportal

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations()  
variables <- wasserportal::get_surfacewater_variables()  
variables  
sw_data_daily <- wasserportal::get_daily_surfacewater_data(stations, variables)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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get\_groundwater\_data *Get Groundwater Data*

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### Description

wrapper function to scrape all available raw data, i.e. groundwater level and quality data and save in list

### Usage

```
get_groundwater_data(  
  stations,  
  groundwater_options = get_groundwater_options(),  
  debug = TRUE,  
  stations_list = NULL  
)
```

### Arguments

`stations` list as retrieved by [get\\_stations](#). Deprecated. Please use `stations_list` instead

`groundwater_options` as retrieved by [get\\_groundwater\\_options](#)

`debug` print debug messages (default: TRUE)

`stations_list` list of station metadata as returned by [get\\_stations](#)(type = "list")

### Value

list with elements "groundwater.level" and "groundwater.quality" data frames

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations()  
gw_data_list <- get_groundwater_data(stations)  
str(gw_data_list)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

get\_groundwater\_options

*Helper function: get groundwater options*

---

### **Description**

Helper function: get groundwater options

### **Usage**

```
get_groundwater_options()
```

### **Value**

return available groundwater data options and prepare for being used as input for [get\\_groundwater\\_data](#)

### **Examples**

```
get_groundwater_options()
```

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get\_overview\_options *Wasserportal Berlin: get overview options for stations*

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### **Description**

Wasserportal Berlin: get overview options for stations

### **Usage**

```
get_overview_options()
```

### **Value**

list with shortcuts to station overview tables ([wasserportal.berlin.de/messwerte.php?anzeige=tabelle&thema=<shortcuts>](http://wasserportal.berlin.de/messwerte.php?anzeige=tabelle&thema=<shortcuts>))

### **Examples**

```
get_overview_options()
```

---

get\_station\_variables *Helper function: get available station variables*

---

### Description

Helper function: get available station variables

### Usage

```
get_station_variables(station_df)
```

### Arguments

station_df	data frame with one row per station and columns "Messstellenummer", "Messstellename" and additional columns each of which represents a variable that is measured at that station. If the variable columns contain the value "x" it means that the corresponding variable is measured and the name of the column is contained in the returned vector of variable names.
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### Value

returns names of available variables for station

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get\_stations *Get Stations*

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### Description

Get Stations

### Usage

```
get_stations(  
  type = c("list", "data.frame", "crosstable"),  
  run_parallel = TRUE,  
  n_cores = parallel::detectCores() - 1L,  
  debug = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

type	vector of character describing the type(s) of output(s) to be returned. Expected values (and default): <code>c("list", "data.frame", "crosstable")</code> . If only one value is given the data is returned in the expected type. If more than one values are given, a list is returned with one list element per type.
run_parallel	default: TRUE
n_cores	number of cores to use if <code>run_parallel = TRUE</code> . Default: one less than the detected number of cores.
debug	logical indicating whether or not to show debug messages

**Value**

list with general station "overview" (either as list "overview\_list" or as data.frame "overview\_df") and a crosstable with information which parameters is available per station ("x" if available, NA if not)

**Examples**

```
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations(n_cores = 2L)
str(stations)
```

---

get\_surfacewater\_qualities

*Get Surface Water Quality for Multiple Monitoring Stations*

---

**Description**

Get Surface Water Quality for Multiple Monitoring Stations

**Usage**

```
get_surfacewater_qualities(station_ids, dbg = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

station_ids	vector with ids of multiple (or one) monitoring stations
dbg	print debug messages (default: TRUE)

**Value**

data frame with water quality data for multiple monitoring stations

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations()  
station_ids <- stations$overview_list$surface_water.quality$Messstellenummer  
swq <- wasserportal::get_surfacewater_qualities(station_ids)  
str(swq)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

*get\_surfacewater\_quality*

*Get Surface Water Quality for One Monitoring Station*

---

### Description

Get Surface Water Quality for One Monitoring Station

### Usage

```
get_surfacewater_quality(station_id)
```

### Arguments

`station_id` id of surface water measurement station

### Value

data frame with water quality data for one monitoring station

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations()  
station_id <- stations$overview_list$surface_water.quality$Messstellenummer[1]  
swq <- wasserportal::get_surfacewater_quality(station_id)  
str(swq)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

get\_surfacewater\_variables

*Helper function: get surface water variables*

---

### **Description**

Helper function: get surface water variables

### **Usage**

```
get_surfacewater_variables()
```

### **Value**

vector with surface water variables

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get\_wasserportal\_master\_data

*Wasserportal Berlin: get master data for a single station*

---

### **Description**

Wasserportal Berlin: get master data for a single station

### **Usage**

```
get_wasserportal_master_data(master_url)
```

### **Arguments**

master\_url      url with master data for single station as retrieved by [get\\_wasserportal\\_stations\\_table](#)

### **Value**

data frame with metadata for selected station

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
stations_list <- wasserportal::get_stations(type = "list")

# GW Station
master_url <- stations_list %>%
  kwb.utils::selectElements("groundwater.level") %>%
  kwb.utils::selectColumns("stammdaten_link")[1L]

get_wasserportal_master_data(master_url)
```

```
# SW Station

# Reduce to monitoring stations maintained by Berlin
master_urls <- stations_list %>%
  kwb.utils::selectElements("surface_water.water_level") %>%
  dplyr::filter(.data$Betreiber == "Land Berlin") %>%
  dplyr::pull(.data$stammdaten_link)

get_wasserportal_master_data(master_urls[1L])

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
get_wasserportal_masters_data
```

*Wasserportal Berlin: get master data for a multiple stations*

---

## Description

Wasserportal Berlin: get master data for a multiple stations

## Usage

```
get_wasserportal_masters_data(master_urls, run_parallel = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

master_urls	URLs to master data as found in column "stammdaten_link" of the data frame returned by <a href="#">get_stations</a> (type = "list")
run_parallel	default: TRUE

## Value

data frame with metadata for selected master urls

## Examples

```
## Not run:
stations_list <- wasserportal::get_stations(type = "list")

# Reduce to monitoring stations maintained by Berlin
master_urls <- stations_list$surface_water.water_level %>%
  dplyr::filter(.data$Betreiber == "Land Berlin") %>%
  dplyr::pull(.data$stammdaten_link)

system.time(master_parallel <- get_wasserportal_masters_data(
  master_urls
))
```

```

system.time(master_sequential <- get_wasserportal_masters_data(
  master_urls,
  run_parallel = FALSE
))

## End(Not run)

```

---

`get_wasserportal_stations`

*Get Names and IDs of the Stations of wasserportal.berlin.de*

---

### **Description**

Get Names and IDs of the Stations of wasserportal.berlin.de

### **Usage**

```
get_wasserportal_stations(type = "quality")
```

### **Arguments**

`type`                    one of "quality", "level", "flow"

---

`get_wasserportal_stations_table`

*Wasserportal Berlin: get stations overview table*

---

### **Description**

Wasserportal Berlin: get stations overview table

### **Usage**

```

get_wasserportal_stations_table(
  type = get_overview_options()$groundwater$level,
  url_wasserportal = wasserportal_base_url()
)

```

### **Arguments**

`type`                    type of stations table to retrieve. Valid options defined in [get\\_overview\\_options](#), default: `get_overview_options()$groundwater$level`

`url_wasserportal`        base url to Wasserportal berlin (default: [wasserportal\\_base\\_url](#))

**Value**

data frame with master data of selected monitoring stations

**Examples**

```
types <- wasserportal::get_overview_options()
str(types)
sw_l <- wasserportal::get_wasserportal_stations_table(type = types$surface_water$water_level)
str(sw_l)
```

---

get\_wasserportal\_variables

*Get Names and IDs of the Variables of wasserportal.berlin.de*

---

**Description**

Get Names and IDs of the Variables of wasserportal.berlin.de

**Usage**

```
get_wasserportal_variables(station = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

station	station id. If given, only variables that are available for the given station are returned.
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list\_data\_to\_csv\_or\_zip

*Helper function: list data to csv or zip*

---

**Description**

Helper function: list data to csv or zip

**Usage**

```
list_data_to_csv_or_zip(data_list, file_prefix, to_zip)
```

**Arguments**

data_list	data in list form
file_prefix	file prefix
to_zip	whether or not to convert to zip file

**Value**

loops through list of data frames and uses list names as filenames

---

```
list_masters_data_to_csv
```

*Helper function: list masters data to csv*

---

### Description

Helper function: list masters data to csv

### Usage

```
list_masters_data_to_csv(masters_data_list)
```

### Arguments

```
masters_data_list
```

masters data in list form as retrieved by [get\\_stations](#)(type = "list")

### Value

loops through list of data frames and uses list names as filenames

### Examples

```
## Not run:
stations_list <- get_stations(type = "list")
masters_data_csv_files <- list_masters_data_to_csv(stations_list)
masters_data_csv_files

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
list_timeseries_data_to_zip
```

*Helper function: list timeseries data to zip*

---

### Description

Helper function: list timeseries data to zip

### Usage

```
list_timeseries_data_to_zip(timeseries_data_list)
```

### Arguments

```
timeseries_data_list
```

time series data in list form as retrieved by [get\\_groundwater\\_data](#)

**Value**

loops through list of data frames and uses list names as filenames

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
stations <- wasserportal::get_stations()

# Groundwater Time Series
gw_tsdata_list <- wasserportal::get_groundwater_data(stations)
gw_tsdata_files <- wasserportal::list_timeseries_data_to_zip(gw_tsdata_list)

# Surface Water Time Series
sw_tsdata_list <- wasserportal::get_daily_surfacewater_data(stations)
sw_tsdata_files <- wasserportal::list_timeseries_data_to_zip(sw_tsdata_list)

## End(Not run)
```

---

read

*Helper function to read CSV*

---

**Description**

Helper function to read CSV

**Usage**

```
read(text, ...)
```

**Arguments**

text	text
...	... additional arguments passed to <a href="#">read.table</a>

**Value**

data frame with values

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read\_wasserportal      *Download and Read Data from wasserportal.berlin.de*

---

### Description

This function downloads and reads CSV files from wasserportal.berlin.de.

### Usage

```
read_wasserportal(
  station,
  variables = NULL,
  from_date = as.character(Sys.Date() - 90L),
  type = "single",
  include_raw_time = FALSE,
  stations_crosstable
)
```

### Arguments

station	station number, as found in column "Messstellenummer" of the data frame returned by <a href="#">get_stations</a> (type = "crosstable")
variables	vector of variable identifiers, as returned by <a href="#">get_station_variables</a>
from_date	Date object (or string in format "yyyy-mm-dd" that can be converted to a Date object representing the first day for which to request data. Default: <code>as.character(Sys.Date() - 90L)</code> )
type	one of "single" (the default), "daily", "monthly"
include_raw_time	if TRUE the original time column and the column with the corrected winter time are included in the output. The default is FALSE.
stations_crosstable	data frame as returned by <a href="#">get_stations</a> (type = "crosstable")

### Details

The original timestamps (column `timestamps_raw` in the example below) are not all plausible, e.g. "31.03.2019 03:00" appears twice! They are corrected (column `timestamp_corr`) to represent a plausible sequence of timestamps in Berlin Normal Time (UTC+01) Finally, a valid POSIXct timestamp in timezone "Berlin/Europe" (UTC+01 in winter, UTC+02 in summer) is created, together with the additional information on the UTC offset (column `UTCOffset`, 1 in winter, 2 in summer).

### Value

data frame read from the CSV file that the download provides. **IMPORTANT:** It is not yet clear how to interpret the timestamp, see example

**Examples**

```

## Not run:
# Get a list of available water quality stations and variables
stations_crosstable <- wasserportal::get_stations(type = "crosstable")

# Set the start date
from_date <- "2021-03-01"

# Read the timeseries (multiple variables for one station)
water_quality <- wasserportal::read_wasserportal(
  station = stations_crosstable$Messstellenummer[1L],
  from_date = from_date,
  include_raw_time = TRUE,
  stations_crosstable = stations_crosstable
)

# Look at the first few records
head(water_quality)

# Check the metadata
#kwb.utils::getAttribute(water_quality, "metadata")

# Set missing values to NA
water_quality[water_quality == -777] <- NA

# Look at the first few records again
head(water_quality)

### How was the original timestamp interpreted?

# Determine the days at which summer time starts and ends, respectively
from_year <- as.integer(substr(from_date, 1L, 4L))
switches <- kwb.datetime::date_range_CEST(from_year)

# Reformat to dd.mm.yyyy
switches <- kwb.datetime::reformatTimestamp(switches, "%Y-%m-%d", "%d.%m.%Y")

# Define a pattern to look for timestamps "around" the switches
pattern <- paste(switches, "0[1-4]", collapse = "|")

# Look at the data for these timestamps
water_quality[grepl(pattern, water_quality$timestamp_raw), ]

# The original timestamps (timestamps_raw) were not all plausible, e.g.
# for March 2019. This seems to have been fixed by the "wasserportal"!
sum(water_quality$timestamp_raw != water_quality$timestamp_corr)

## End(Not run)

```

**Description**

Read Wasserportal Raw

**Usage**

```
read_wasserportal_raw(
  variable,
  station,
  from_date,
  type = "single",
  include_raw_time = FALSE,
  handle = NULL,
  stations_crosstable,
  api_version = 2L
)
```

**Arguments**

variable	variable
station	station id
from_date	start date
type	one of "single", "daily", "monthly" (default: "single")
include_raw_time	TRUE or FALSE (default: FALSE)
handle	handle (default: NULL)
stations_crosstable	data frame as returned by <code>get_stations</code> (type = "crosstable")
api_version	1 integer number representing the version of wasserportal's API. 1L: before 2023, 2L: since 2023. Default: 2L

**Value**

???

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read\_wasserportal\_raw\_gw  
*read\_wasserportal\_raw\_gw*

---

**Description**

read\_wasserportal\_raw\_gw

**Usage**

```
read_wasserportal_raw_gw(  
  station = 149,  
  stype = "gws",  
  type = "single_all",  
  from_date = "",  
  include_raw_time = FALSE,  
  handle = NULL,  
  as_text = FALSE,  
  dbg = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

station	station id
stype	"gws" or "gwq"
type	"single" or "single_all" (if stype = "gwq")
from_date	(default: "")
include_raw_time	default: FALSE
handle	default: NULL
as_text	if TRUE, the raw text that is returned by the HTTP request to the Wasserportal is returned by this function. Otherwise (the default) the raw text is tried to be interpreted as comma separated values and a corresponding data frame is returned. Use as_text = TRUE to analyse the raw text in case that an error occurs when trying to convert the text to a data frame.
dbg	logical indicating whether or not to show debug messages. The default is FALSE

**Value**

data.frame with values

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
read_wasserportal_raw_gw(station = 149, stype = "gws")  
read_wasserportal_raw_gw(station = 149, stype = "gwq")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

`readPackageFile`      *Read CSV File from Package's "extdata" Folder*

---

**Description**

Read CSV File from Package's "extdata" Folder

**Usage**

```
readPackageFile(file, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`file`                  file name (without path)  
`...`                  additional arguments passed to [read.csv](#)

**Value**

data frame representing the content of `file`

---

`wasserportal_base_url`    *Helper function: Base Url of Berlin Wassersportal*

---

**Description**

Helper function: Base Url of Berlin Wassersportal

**Usage**

```
wasserportal_base_url()
```

**Value**

string with base url of Berlin Wasserportal

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`wp_masters_data_to_list`*Wasserportal Master Data: download and Import in R List*

---

## Description

Wasserportal Master Data: download and Import in R List

## Usage

```
wp_masters_data_to_list(  
  overview_list_names,  
  target_dir = tempdir(),  
  file_prefix = "stations_",  
  is_zipped = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>overview_list_names</code>	names of elements in the list returned by <code>get_stations(type = "list")</code>
<code>target_dir</code>	target directory for downloading data (default: <code>tempdir()</code> )
<code>file_prefix</code>	prefix given to file names
<code>is_zipped</code>	are the data to be downloaded zipped (default: <code>FALSE</code> )

## Value

downloads csv master data from Wasserportal

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
overview_list_names <- names(wasserportal::get_stations(type = "list"))  
wp_masters_data_list <- wp_masters_data_to_list(overview_list_names)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

`wp_timeseries_data_to_list`*Wasserportal Time Series Data: download and Import in R List*

---

**Description**

Wasserportal Time Series Data: download and Import in R List

**Usage**

```
wp_timeseries_data_to_list(  
  overview_list_names,  
  target_dir = tempdir(),  
  is_zipped = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>overview_list_names</code>	names of elements in the list returned by <code>get_stations(type = "list")</code>
<code>target_dir</code>	target directory for downloading data (default: <code>tempdir()</code> )
<code>is_zipped</code>	are the data to be downloaded zipped (default: <code>TRUE</code> )

**Value**

downloads (zipped) data from wasserportal

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
overview_list_names <- names(wasserportal::get_stations(type = "list"))  
wp_timeseries_data_list <- wp_timeseries_data_to_list(overview_list_names)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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