

TagTeam

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Our project (working title "TagTeam") has an elegant, coded, working foundation to which we're rapidly adding features. The software lets users create any number of "hubs" or tagging projects. For any given hub, the owner/creator can designate any number of input feeds and any number of output feeds. Output feeds can modify or combine input feeds.

The hub will subscribe to each designated input feed, validate it, parse it, and store its items in a searchable local database. It will remove duplicate items as it goes, but merge their tags. It will let users create filters on each feed and manually edit input feeds, input tags, and input feed items. It will support multiple tagging platforms for the input feeds, statistics on tags and taggers, and different levels of user privileges or roles.

We hope to have a version we can open to public use by the end of the current funding period. The first working hub will be the Open Access Tracking Project, and we already have a strong expression of interest from Gosia Stergios, from the Harvard Provost's Office, for the second working hub. We hope that Gosia can launch her experimental hub in time to give us feedback before the current funding period ends.