



Cataloging and Authorities Forum

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Cataloging at the National Agricultural Library: 1963

<https://www.nal.usda.gov/exhibits/speccoll/items/show/7422>

This forum is :

- for those working in cataloging and authority control in all types of libraries
- to share information, ideas, tips and tricks, challenges, and best practices

Innovative staff will be on hand

You encouraged to ask questions

Thoughts/questions/
areas of concern



From the IUG forum.....

- Very curious about suggested best practices for preparing catalog data for:
 - the linked data based next generation platform
 - the context based discovery that was recently shown in the March corporate update webinar.

Coming from the perspective of a large library that cannot afford to outsource authority work

- How about a function to systematically suppress and un-suppress authority records so that any invalid headings matching a variant could be flipped.
 - Years of not having ARs correctly flip 7xx and then 1xx before 3.4 has left our catalog pretty inconsistent
 - After 3.4 upgrade will do this in batches with create lists and rapid update.
- A wish that AACCP could go ahead and flip the headings on incoming records
 - Many vendors supply older iterations of OCLC or LC records with pre-RDA forms of names etc.
 - We now need to edit pre-load or deal with massive headings reports post load.
- Why can't the ILS suppress any AR not used in a bib record, so we don't need to worry about blind headings?
 - load the entirety of the NAF and LCSH and LCGFT into the ILS
 - A script would periodically un-suppress all the ARs, then suppresses any not in use in a bib
 - Then compile a list of all un-suppressed ARs with 5xx tags and un-suppress the corresponding ARs that would function as see alsos

Your thoughts or
Issues?





Thanks for attending!

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