# Mulgara - Bug #201

## Accept-Charset HTTP header not honored

09/06/2009 02:39 PM - Gregg -

Status:NewStart date:Priority:HighDue date:

Assignee: Paula Gearon % Done: 0%

Category: Mulgara Estimated time: 0.00 hour

Target version: General development

Resolution:

### Description

(This ticket obsoletes #197)

Currently there doesn't seem to be a way to request a specific character encoding for query results. I think the way to do this is via content negotiation; at least I haven't seen any way to make such a request in SPARQL, but I might be wrong about that. In any case, I need a way to definitely indicate that I want utf-8 for the results.

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### History

### #1 - 09/19/2009 03:09 AM - Gregg -

Replying to gar:

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Clarification: Accept-Charset can (should?) only be set by the User Agent, not the User. See Section 4.6.2 of the XMLHttpRequest draft; in fact the UA is obliged to terminate an AJAX request if the user tries to set it. So I guess the only way to indicate a preferred results encoding is to use the charset= subfield of the Accept header.

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