## Using an API with ARI Data Tables

Posted by tshirley - 2016/09/08 07:50

## Hello,

I am considering buying this product, however there is a functionality I need in my application and I can't see if it is available in the

I use Joomla V3.5 and also the Chronoforms form component.

My application uses an external database which I interface using an API for data entry and editing.

I want to be able to retrieve rows from the DB and present them to a user with an option to select and then take some action (typically to edit the selected row).

So I want to be able to make some PHP code to get data into an array and then to display that array in ARI Data Tables. And then, to have a select button on each row which when clicked will take the user to a URL with a parameter to say what record to edit.

There are other requirements but the main one is to be able to retreive the external data, or at the minimum, to use a data array that is already existing.

Thank you

Tim

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## Re:Using an API with ARI Data Tables

Posted by admin - 2016/09/08 07:53

Hello,

The extension can show data from a database (based on "SELECT" SQL query) or from CSV files.

It is also possible to convert a plain HTML table to a table widget which is supported by the extension (for example to "ARI Data Table").

Regards, ARI Soft

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Re:Using an API with ARI Data Tables Posted by tshirley - 2016/09/08 22:45

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Thank you,

It is disappointing.

There is a workaround, which is separately use my API, and to write the results of my API query to a MySQL table, including a unique access code - then make the ARIdata query to this table using the access code. This is feasible because the number of transactions is quite small. But it does require double handling of the query which is extra traffic. Anyway, with this I can at least see one way to use your product.

Cheers

Tim

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