How to configure an ODBC data source Posted by brit503 - 2020/11/13 06:16			
I have a data table working with a remote MySQL database using:  DB type: MySQL (mysqli)  Host: {hostname}  DB name: {dbname}  User: {user}  Password: {password}			
But I need to connect to a Microsoft SQL Server database. I have an ODBC datasource that works. What do I enter into Host/DB name/User/Password fields? Do I put in the ODBC data source name?			
So far I only see "ARI Data Tables: Couldn't connect to external database."			
Bill			
Re:How to configure an ODBC data source Posted by admin - 2020/11/13 12:06			
Hello,			
Value for "Host" parameter for MS SQL database looks like:			
Driver={SQL Server Native Client 10.0};Server=localhost;Database=my_db;			
Regards, ARI Soft			
Re:How to configure an ODBC data source  Posted by brit503 - 2020/11/13 16:50			
Thank you.			
That still doesn't work for me. What other prerequisites are there? Do I need to install and configure ODBC for PHP?			
I have already successfully configured from PHP to MS SQL so sqlsrv_connect() works.			
The MS SQL database is on a different server, so I'm using the name for that server instead of "localhost".			
This is on a Windows Server 2012 R2, 64 bit with PHP 7.3. Also on this server I have:  * ODBC Driver 11 for SQL Server (MSODBCSQL11.DLL)  * SQL Server (SQLSRV32.DLL)  * SQL Server Native Client 11.0 (SQLNCLI11.DLL)			
This is a puzzle and I think I only have one or two pieces left.			
Bill			
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## Re:How to configure an ODBC data source Posted by brit503 - 2020/11/13 22:20

- Figured it out...
  \* Get ODBC working from a dummy piece of PHP
  \* Copy the working connection string into the "Host" attribute in the "External Database" "Host" setting.

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