

# Welcome to Apache HCatalog!

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**Apache HCatalog** is a table and storage management service for data created using Apache Hadoop.

This includes:

- Providing a shared schema and data type mechanism.
- Providing a table abstraction so that users need not be concerned with where or how their data is stored.
- Providing interoperability across data processing tools such as Pig, Map Reduce, and Hive.

## **1 News**

### **1.1 Apache HCatalog 0.4.0 is released!**

Download it from [release page](#).

## **2 DISCLAIMER**

Apache HCatalog is an effort undergoing incubation at the Apache Software Foundation (ASF), sponsored by the Apache Incubator PMC. Incubation is required of all newly accepted projects until a further review indicates that the infrastructure, communications, and decision making process have stabilized in a manner consistent with other successful ASF projects. While incubation status is not necessarily a reflection of the completeness or stability of the code, it does indicate that the project has yet to be fully endorsed by the ASF.