

# SPARQL examples: SIB model, software, and patches



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## Abstract

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But in addition to the data model for SPARQL as research output (see doi:[10.32388/ZNWI7T.2](https://doi.org/10.32388/ZNWI7T.2)), the paper also introduces the [sparql-example-utils](#) software that I was first introduced with at [the recent October Scholia hackathon](#).

But I have/had some features I like to see added. The first is provenance. Who is the author/contributor of the SPARQL query? Is there a open license for it, or perhaps public domain? How do I give attribution if I reuse the SPARQL query? These things matter in a modern [recognition and rewards](#) world where is room for everyone's talent. A set of good SPARQL queries may be more valuable than a ten-page Jupyter notebook (and the other way around). So, I [started writing patches](#). And I created [a custom jar](#) so that I can see these patches in action in [our growing list of SPARQL queries](#) (here [a WikiPathways query](#)):

## sparql-examples

A set of SPARQL examples  
that are used in different  
TGX resources

View the Project on GitHub  
BIGCAT-UM/sparql-examples

## 002

rq turtle/ttl

- linkset
- metadata

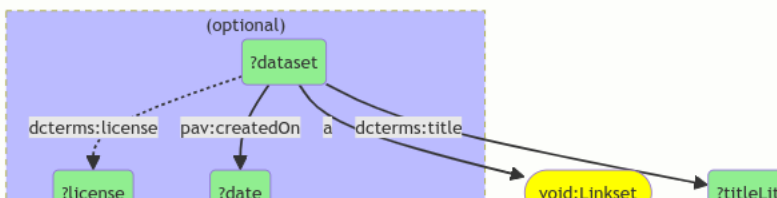
Lists all linksets defined in this database with their titles, licenses, and creation dates.

## Use at

- <https://sparql.wikipathways.org/sparql>

```
PREFIX void: <http://rdfs.org/ns/void#>
PREFIX dcterms: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/>
PREFIX pav: <http://purl.org/pav/>

SELECT DISTINCT ?dataset (str(?titleLit) as ?title) ?date ?license
WHERE {
  ?dataset a void:Linkset ;
  dcterms:title ?titleLit .
  OPTIONAL {
    ?dataset dcterms:license ?license ;
    pav:createdOn ?date .
  }
}
```



I started collecting SPARQL queries for [ChEMBL](#), [WikiPathways](#), and [VHP4Safety](#). These queries are often part of other interfaces but we can easily extract the original SPARQL from the Turtle files behind these pages.