



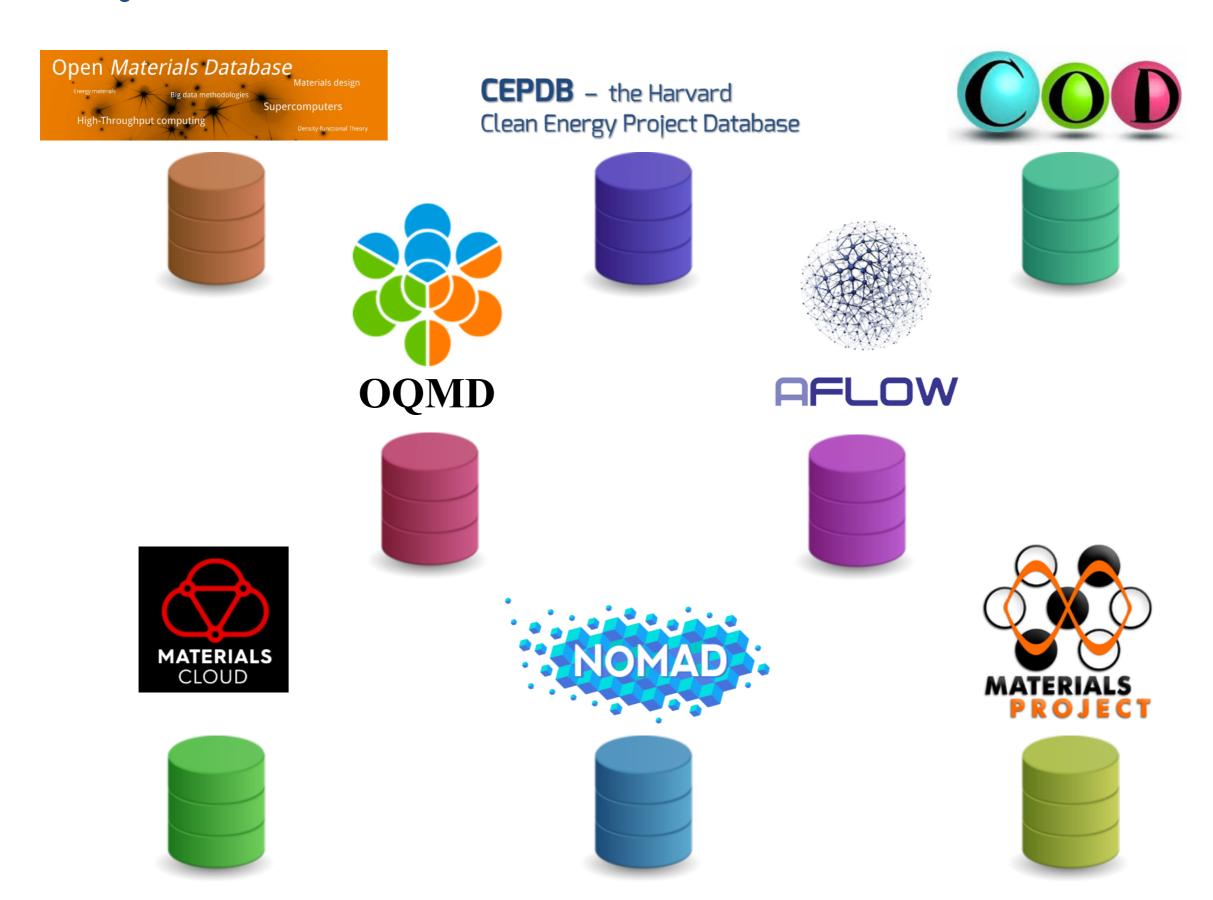


a REST API for Querying Materials Databases

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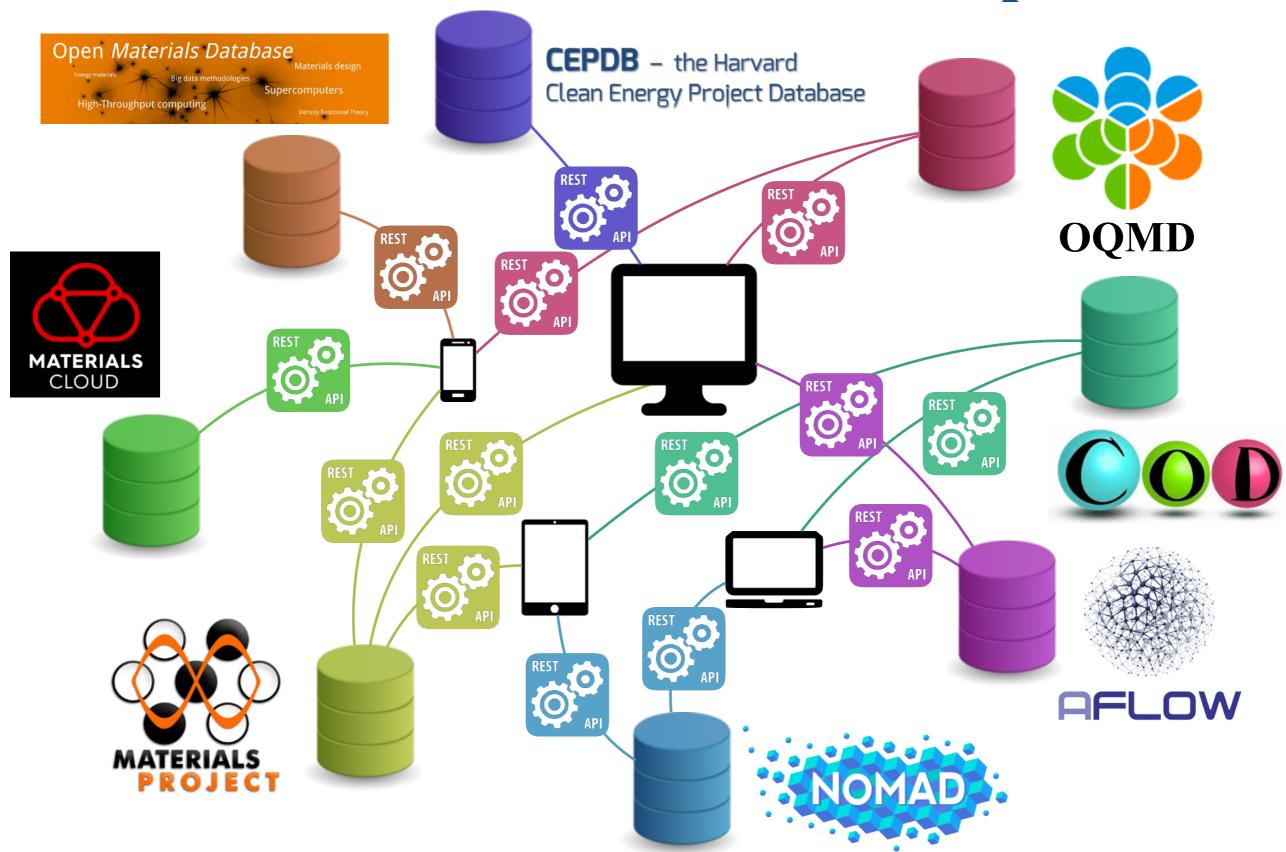
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Many materials DB have become available online



Each of these databases has

its own user base and specific API



Query examples



http://www.crystallography.net/cod/result.php?formula=O2%20Si



http://www.materialsproject.org/rest/v2/materials/SiO2/vasp/structure? API_KEY=YOUR_API_KEY



http://aflowlib.duke.edu/search/API/?species(Si,O),nspecies(2)

Query examples



I am trying to write a query for AFLOW for getting all the structures with the SiO2 formula. I have tested:

http://aflowlib.duke.edu/search/API/?compound(SiO2)

but I ended up with "[]" which I do not think is the expected result from AFLOW.



The query for SiO2 would be:

http://aflowlib.duke.edu/search/API/?compound(O2Si1)

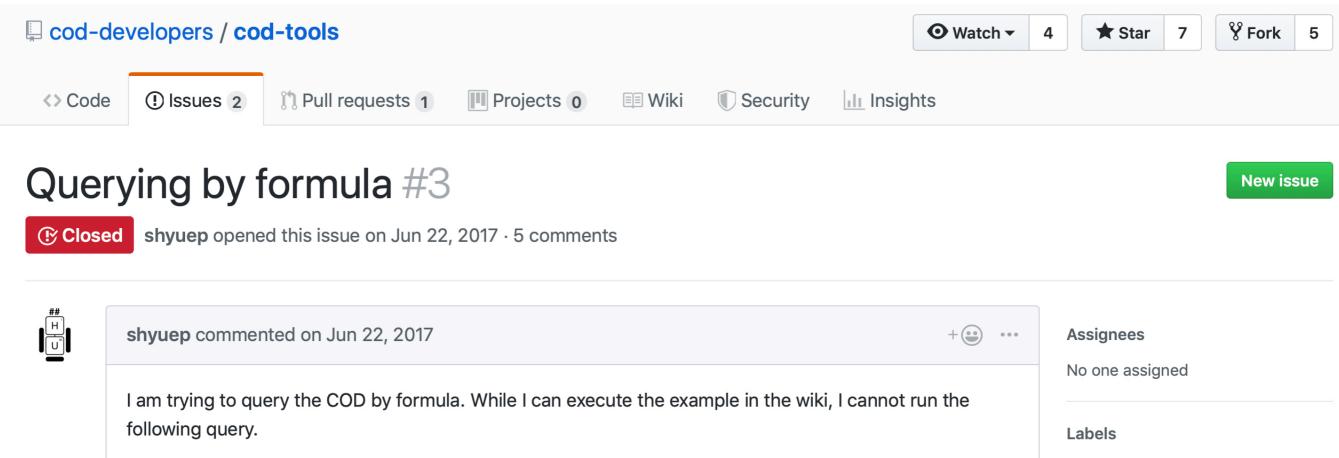
AFLOW stores all material names alphabetically, and also includes the "1" after element symbols, so that SiO2 becomes O2Si1.

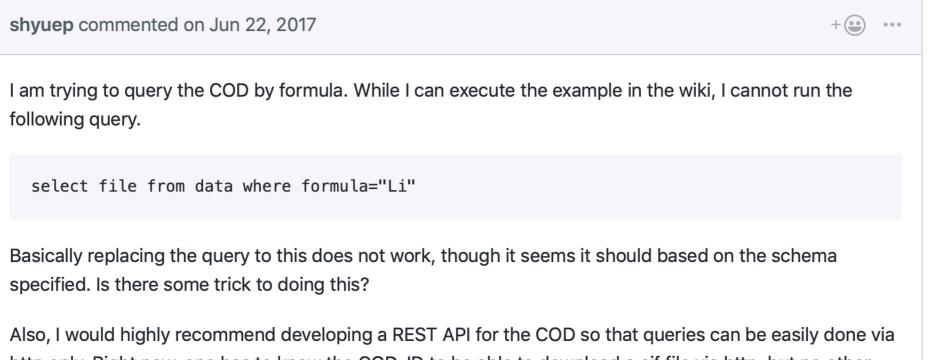
Note that currently, the compound keyword just does a simple string matching search, so just returns entries where the unit cell is SiO2, and not Si2O4, etc. To get all of the Si-O entries, it would be better to search by the elements themselves:

http://aflowlib.duke.edu/search/API/?species(Si,O),nspecies(2)

This returns the first 64 entries with just the elements Si and O. You can change the number/set of entries returned by using the "paging" keyword; e.g.:

http://aflowlib.duke.edu/search/API/?species(Si,O),nspecies(2),paging(2,100) returns the second page of 100 entries.





http only. Right now, one has to know the COD-ID to be able to download a cif file via http, but no other functionality is available.



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I managed to figure out how to query by formula. It seems that the format of the formula is "- Li2 O -", which is somewhat strange. However, I still recommend that some form of REST API be implemented. E.g., http://www.crystallography.net/cod/cod_ids?formula="Li2 O" to get all the cod ids. Otherwise, querying for cod ids require the installation of mysql, which is rather unnecessary if all someone wanted to do is to get the cod ids.

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• http://www.crystallography.net/cod/result.php?formula=O2%20Si

Search results

Result: there are 239 entries in the selection

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Download all results as: list of COD numbers | list of CIF URLs | data in CSV format | archive of CIF files (ZIP)

Searching formula like 'O2 Si'

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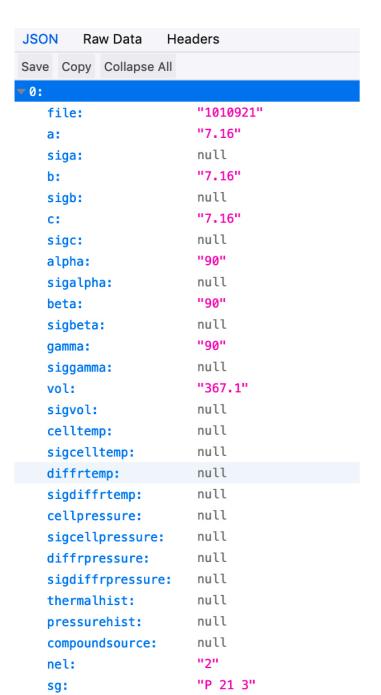


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Discussions are going on to define a common API

- The initial release was developed by the participants of the workshops "Open Databases Integration for Materials Design" held at:
 - the Lorentz Center (October 2016)



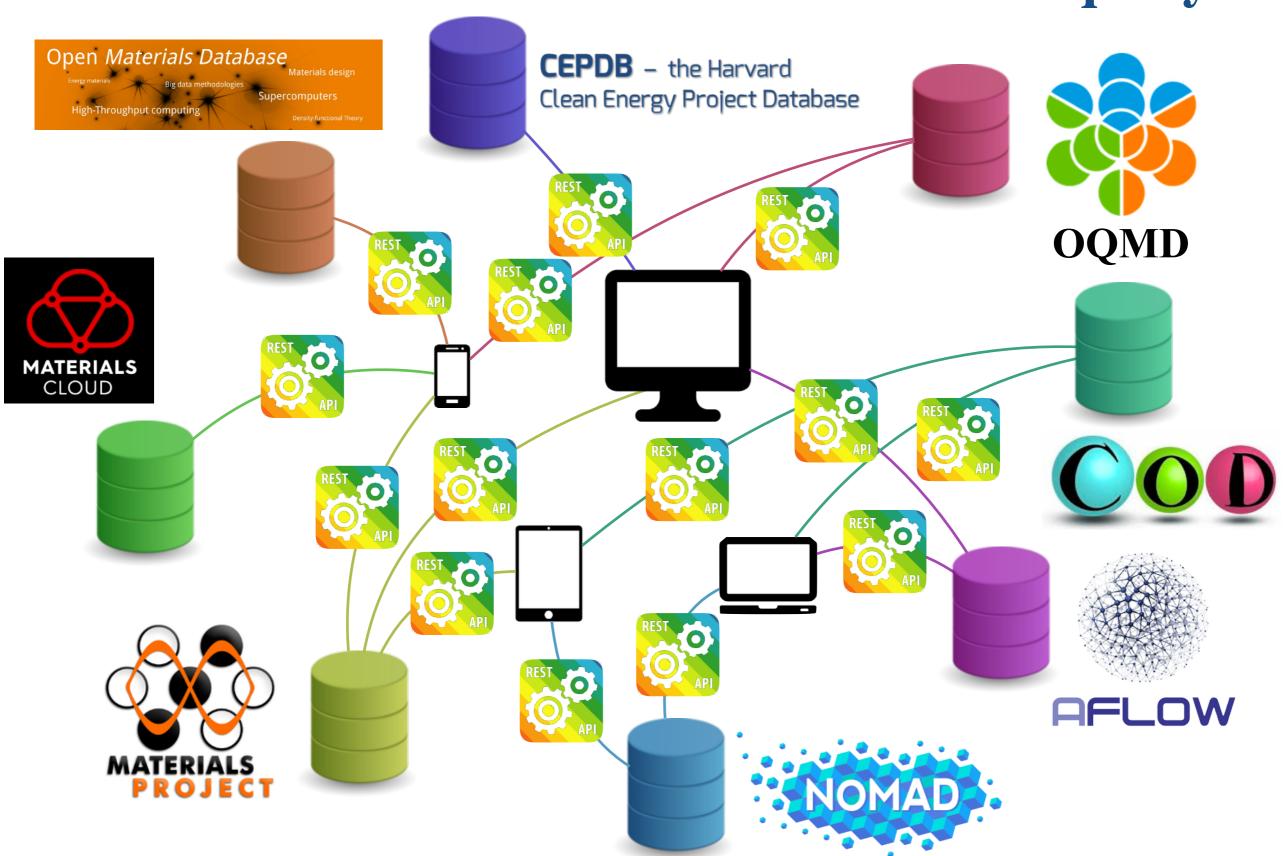
• the CECAM (June 2018 & June 2019)





The users will be able to search

more materials DBs with the same query...



Query & response example

http://www.crystallography.net/cod/optimade/ structures/?filter=chemical formula="SiO2"

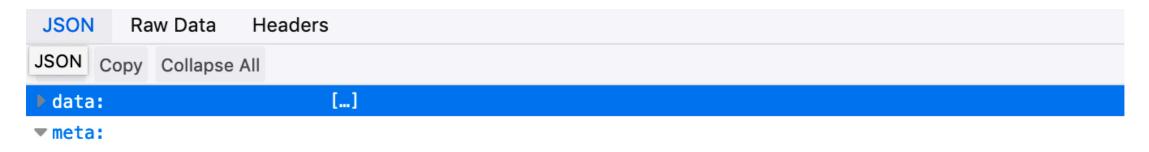
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Query & response example

 http://www.crystallography.net/cod/optimade/ structures/?filter=chemical_formula="SiO2"



Every response SHOULD contain the following fields, and MUST contain at least one:

- **meta**: a JSON API meta member that contains JSON API meta objects of non-standard meta-information.
- data: The schema of this value varies by endpoint, it can be either a single JSON API resource object or a list of JSON API resource objects.

The response MAY also return resources related to the primary data in the field:

- links: JSON API links is MANDATORY for implementing pagination.
- included: a list of JSON API resource objects related to the primary data contained in data.

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Query & response example

http://www.crystallography.net/cod/optimade/

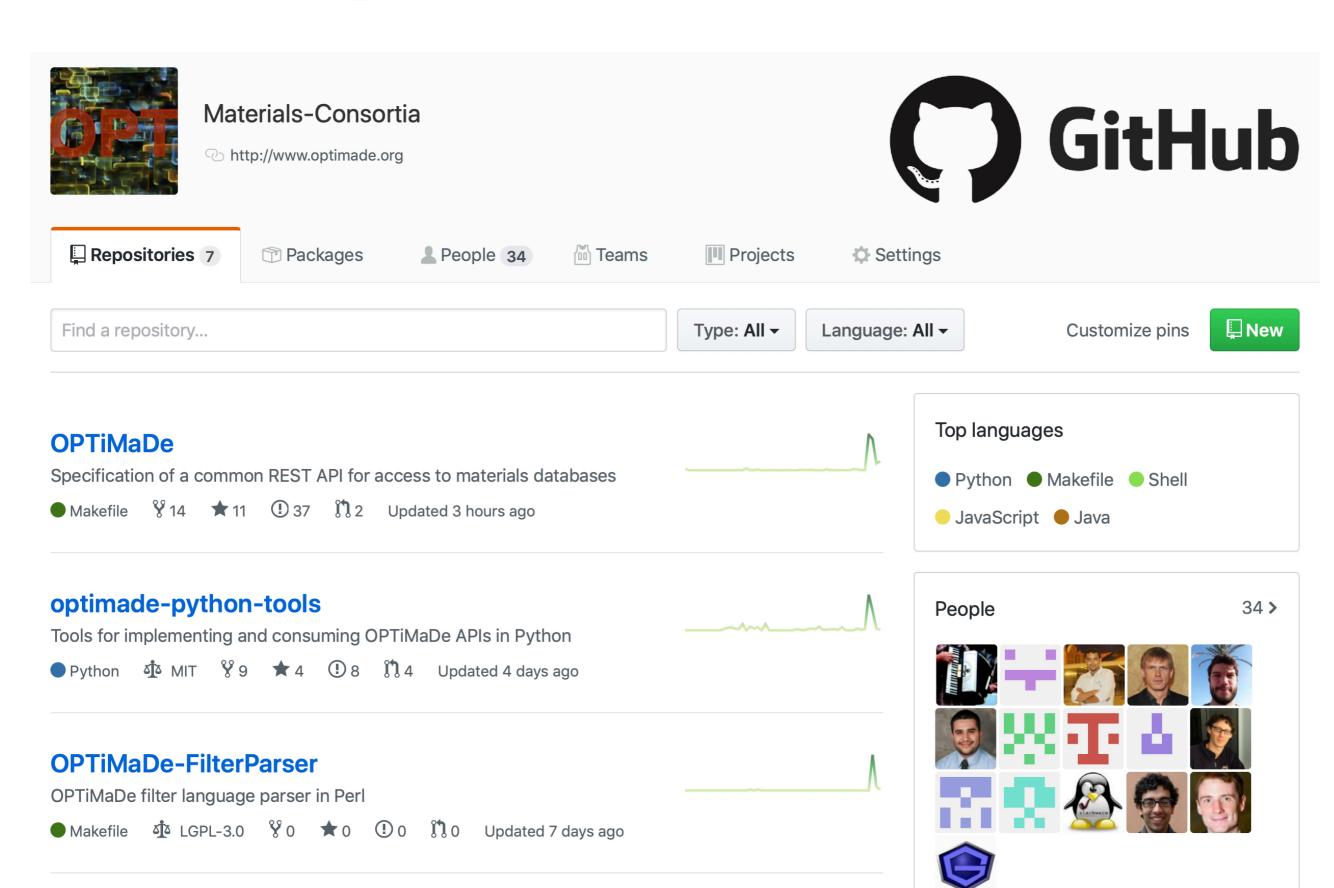
structures/?filter=chemical_formula="SiO2"

Identifiers that start with an underscore are specific to a database provider, and MUST be on the format of a database-provider-specific prefix as defined in Appendix 1.

This standard refers to database-specific prefixes. These are assigned and included in this standard. The presently assigned prefixes are:

- _exmpl_: used for examples, not to be assigned to a real database
- _aflow_: aflow.org
- _cam_: Cambridge databases
- _cod_: crystallography open database
- _mcloud_: materialscloud.org
- _mp_: materialsproject.org
- _nmd_: nomad laboratory
- _omdb_: open materials database
- _oqmd_: open quantum materials database
- _pcod_: predicted crystallography open database
- _tcod_: theoretical crystallography open database

A GitHub repository has been created

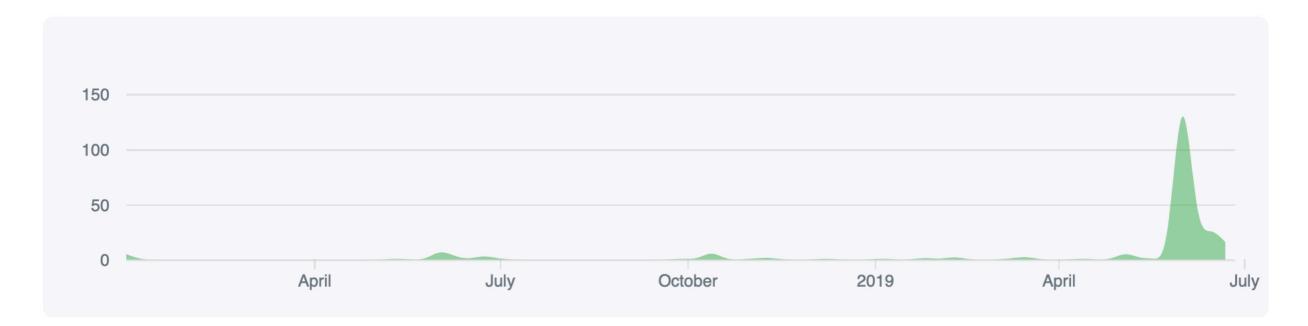


The GitHub repository is very active...

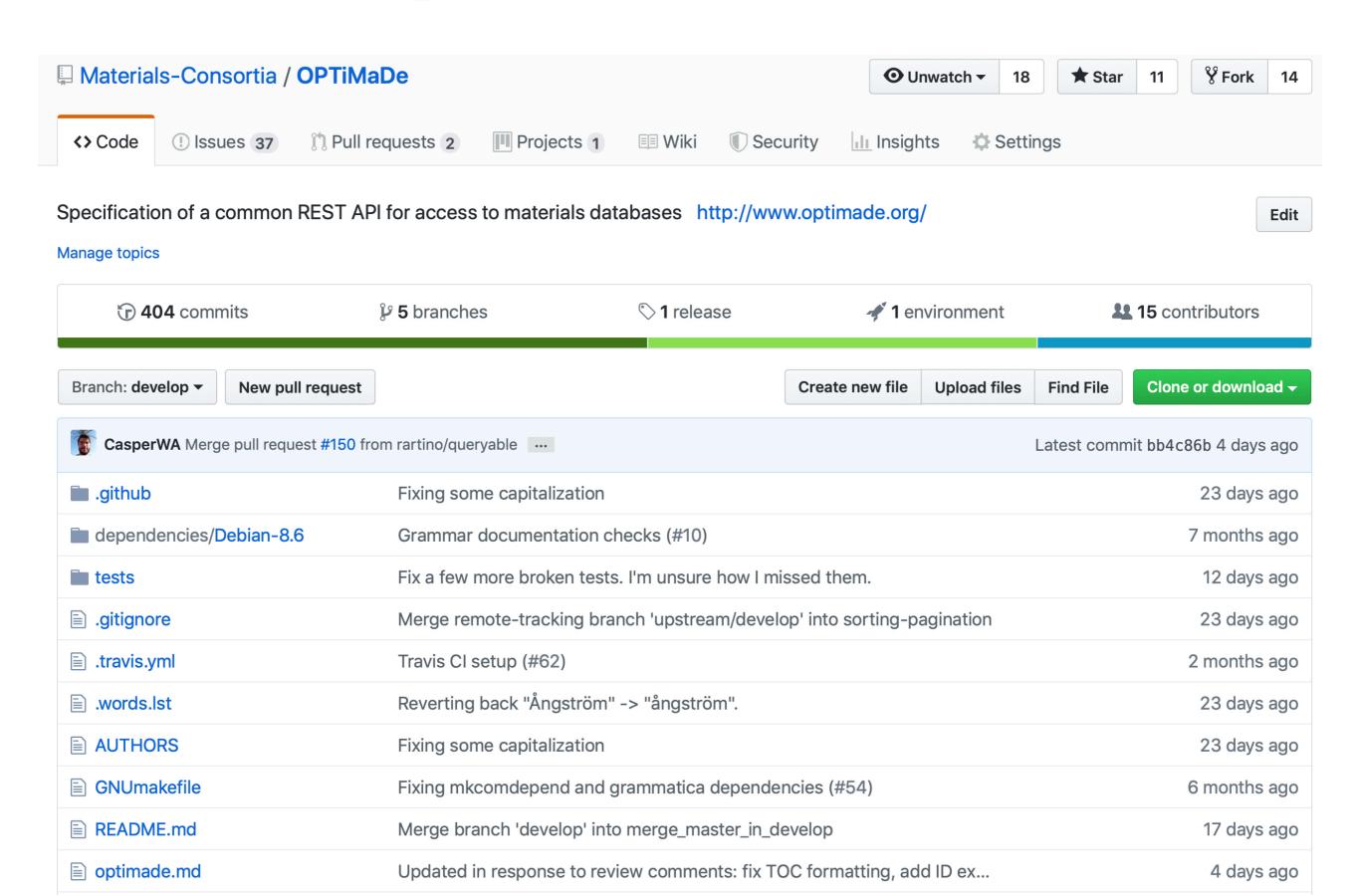
Jan 7, 2018 – Jul 5, 2019

Contributions: Commits ▼

Contributions to develop, excluding merge commits



The GitHub repository is very active...



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- During the "CECAM brainstorming meeting on Data Driven Science", which took place at CECAM Headquarters (25 and 26 of March 2019), it was decided that the CECAM would support the OPTiMaDe initiative.
- One full time post-doctoral fellow will be hired for an <u>initial period of 12 months</u> to work on specific tasks dedicated to
 - expanding the current developments in OPTiMaDe to classical molecular dynamics or bio-simulations
- Longer-term actions:
 - creating a service to integrate and interrogate efficiently the different databases
 - creating and maintaining a dictionary of metadata