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- Vocabularies and the Semantic Web (metadata and applications)
- Vocabularies for scientific data, e-Science and grid applications
- Vocabulary registries and registry services
- Alignment and mapping diverse vocabularies
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- Management of social tagging vocabularies to improve metadata systems
- Metadata Vocabulary-Quality
- Creation and management of sustainable vocabularies. Vocabulary curation
- Research tools and solutions to free/open vocabularies
- Linked Open Vocabularies and the LOD Cloud

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