

# Visual Enrichment of Collaborative Knowledge Bases

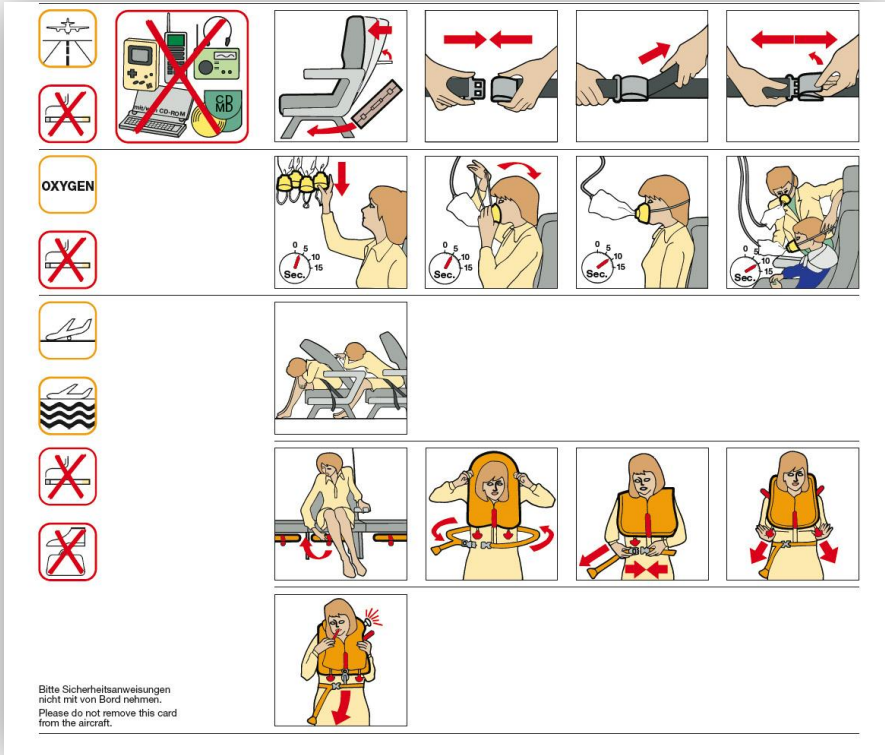
Miriam Redi  
& Special Guest Magnus!



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We Love **Images**



# Visual Language

perception, comprehension and production of visible signs

Images allow to explain, enrich and complement knowledge without language barriers<sup>[1]</sup>

[1] Van Hook, S.R. (2011, 11 April). Modes and models for transcending cultural differences in international classrooms. Journal of Research in International Education, 10(1), 5-27.

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**“Rain Gutter”**





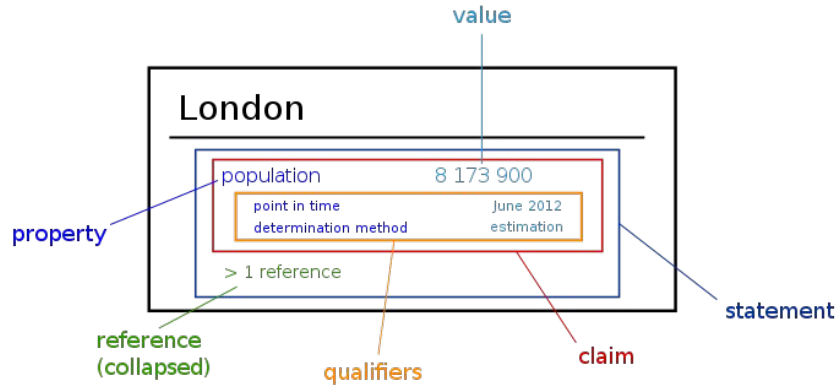
We Love **Collaborative Knowledge** Bases

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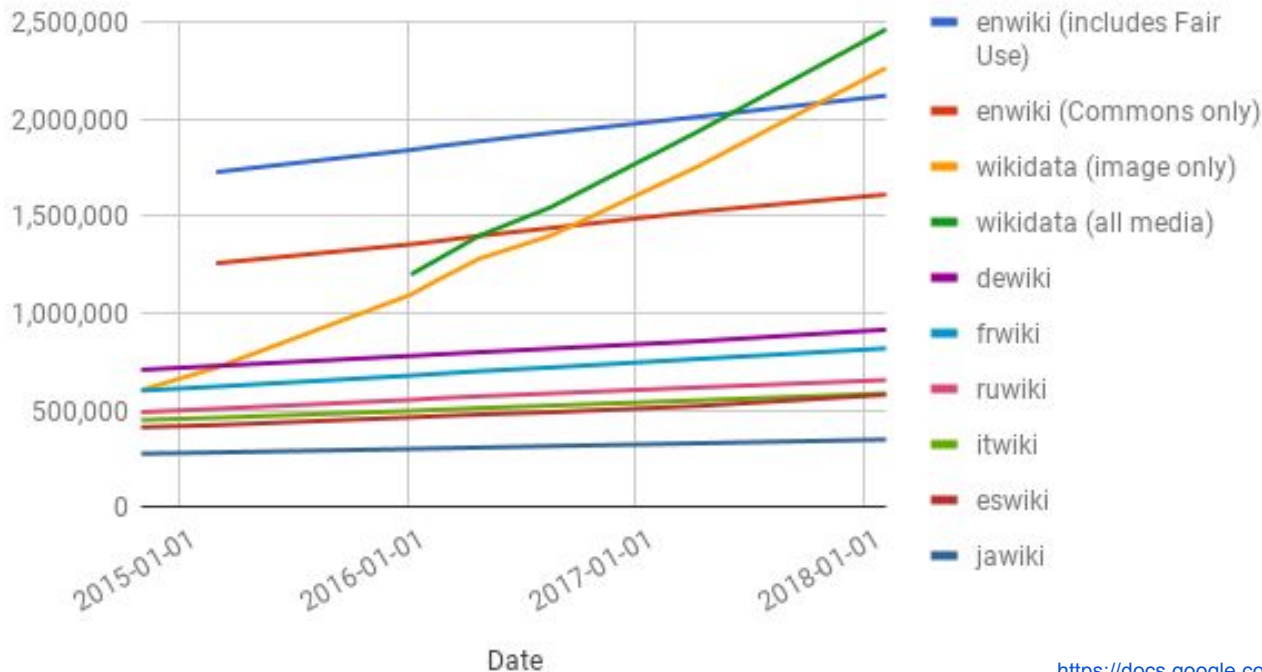
# Wikidata

**Wikidata is an international and thus multilingual project.** While English is the default interface language, the project is intended to be used by, and useful for, users of every language with MediaWiki internationalization support.



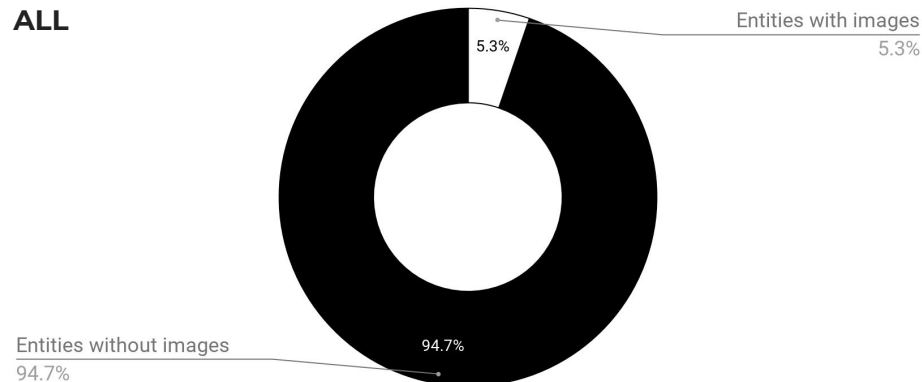
# Wikidata already has the most images

Pages or items with images/files on Wikipedia and Wikidata

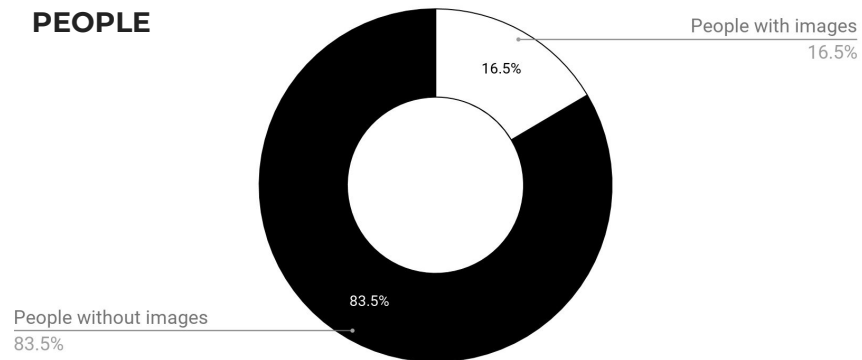


# But Wikidata is still missing images!

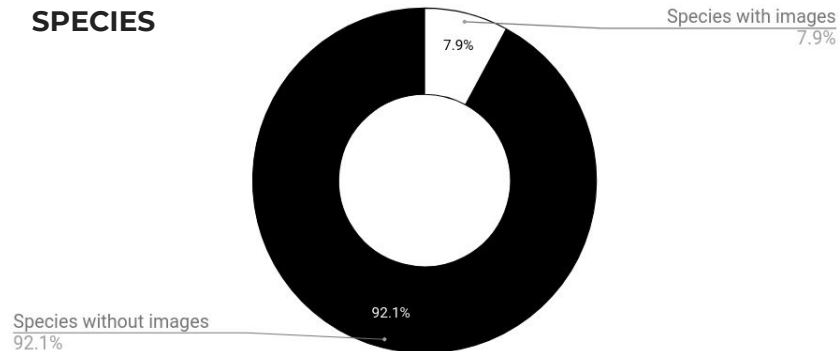
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PEOPLE



SPECIES







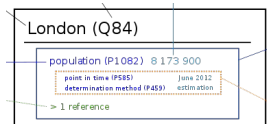
# Smart Tools for **Wikidata Visual Enrichment**

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# Visual Enrichment: Problem

- Worst-case scenario: users willing to add images to Wikidata might need to manually search for the right image using different tools from over **40M free-licensed commons images**
- We can help reducing the search space by
  - **pulling images from reliable sources**
  - **using content-based analysis**

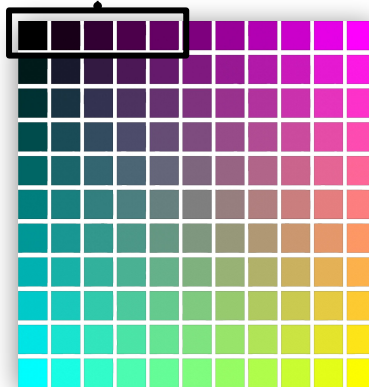
# Visual Enrichment: Pipeline



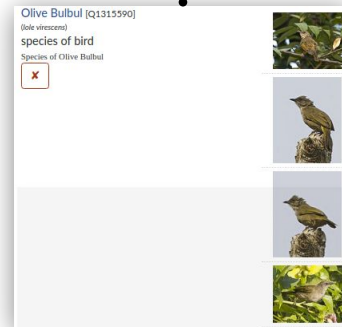
Item without  
P18 - 'Has image'



Discovering related  
images from different  
sources



Ranking images  
according to  
Relevance and Quality



Manual Selection and  
Evaluation



# 1. Finding Free-Licensed images

From: linked pages, Commons, Flickr



**Senecio alpinus**



Jacobaea alpina

**Classificazione Cronquist**

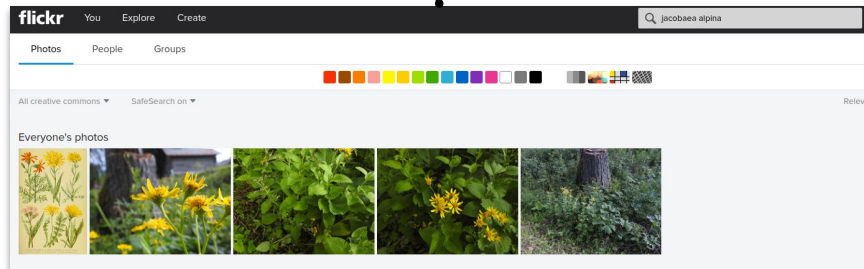
- Domnio: Eukaryota
- Regno: Plantae
- Superdivisione: Spermatophyta
- Divisione: Magnoliophyta
- Classe: Magnoliopsida
- Sottoclasse: Asterales
- Ordine: Asterales
- Famiglia: Asteraceae
- Sottofamiglia: Asteroideae
- Tribù: Senecioneae
- Genere: Jacobaea
- Specie: **J. alpina**



**Jacobaea alpina** (Q3805808)

Wikipedia (4 entries) [edit](#)

- de Alpen-Greiskraut
- it Jacobaea alpina
- nl Senecio alpinus
- vi Jacobaea alpina



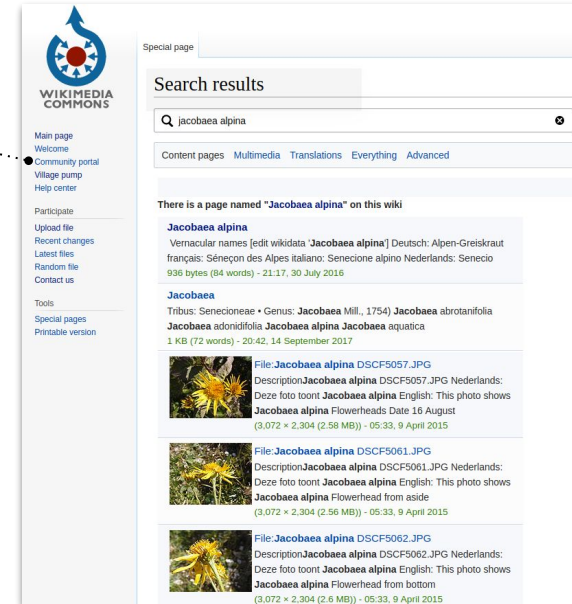

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Special page

Search results

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Content pages Multimedia Translations Everything Advanced

There is a page named "**Jacobaea alpina**" on this wiki

**Jacobaea alpina**

Vernacular names [edit wikidata "**Jacobaea alpina**"] Deutsch: Alpen-Greiskraut  
français: Sénéçon des Alpes italiano: Senecione alpino Nederlands: Senecio  
936 bytes (84 words) - 21:17, 30 July 2016

**Jacobaea**

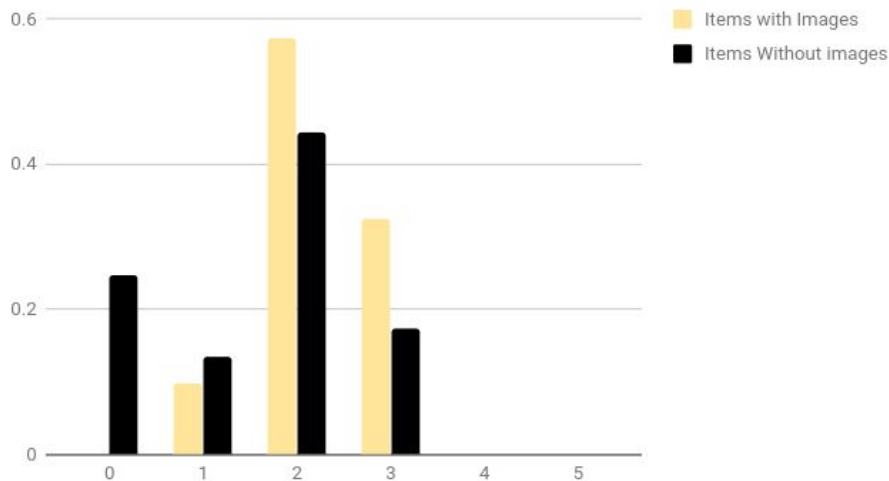
Tribus: Senecioneae • Genus: **Jacobaea** Mill., 1754 **Jacobaea** abrotanifolia  
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**Jacobaea alpina** Flowerhead from bottom  
(3.072 × 2.304 (2.6 MB)) - 05:33, 9 April 2015

# 1. Finding Free-Licensed images

Around 75% of people entities have images linked to them

Distribution of entities over number of different image sources



There are so many of them.. How to reduce the amount of images users should select from?

## 2. Ranking images

Not all image candidates gathered are good candidates for the item



**RELEVANCE:** does the images depict the entity?

**QUALITY:** is the image of high photographic quality?



## 2. Ranking images (relevance)

**RELEVANCE:** does the images depict the entity?

- Candidates are already biased towards relevance
- **Temporary solution: match image name/desc with item label** (plus face detection)
- **Content-based techniques** hard to use due to the singularity of each entity

**ONGOING:** semantic distance between item description and objects recognized (word2vec)

## 2. Ranking images (quality)

**QUALITY:** is the image of high photographic quality?

Not all relevant images are actually 'good' images



Photo: [Jee & Rani Nature Photography](#) on Commons

**High Quality**

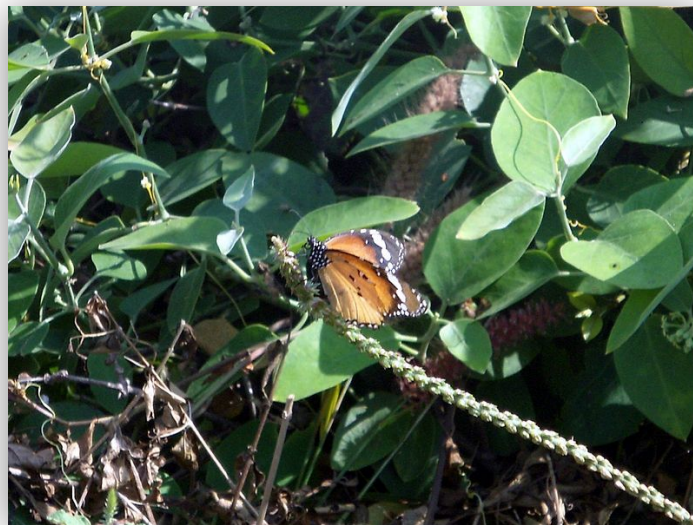


Photo: [Vinayaraj](#) on Commons

**Lower Quality**

## 2. Ranking images (quality)

Solution: **COMPUTATIONAL AESTHETICS**

- Branch of Computer Vision
- Exploits visual information to detect quality
- Uses **Supervised Learning** Techniques
- Needs images **annotated** as being 'High' or 'Low Quality'

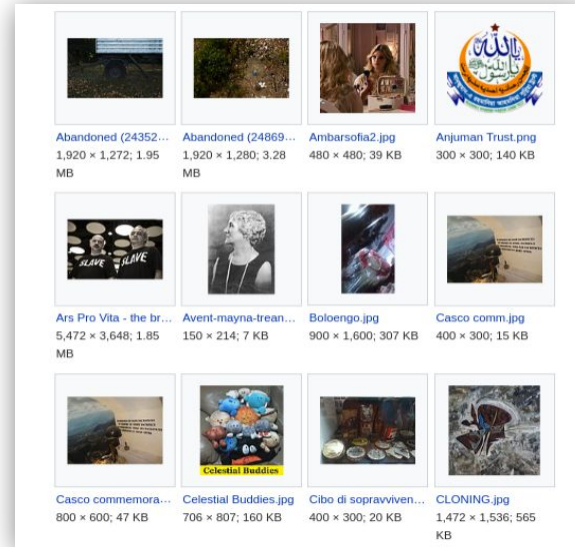


# 2. Ranking images (quality)

**DATA:** exploiting the richness of the Commons



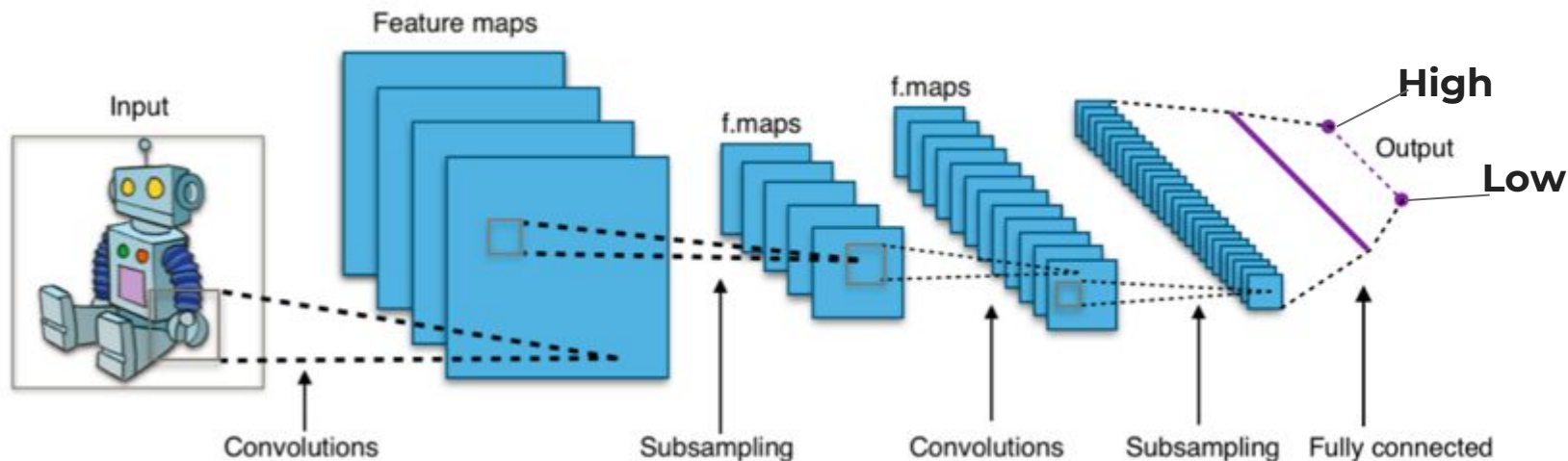
**High Quality:**  
160K Quality Commons



**Lower Quality: 160K**  
Random Commons

# 2. Ranking images (quality)

FRAMEWORK: Convolutional Neural Network Google Inception-v3[1]

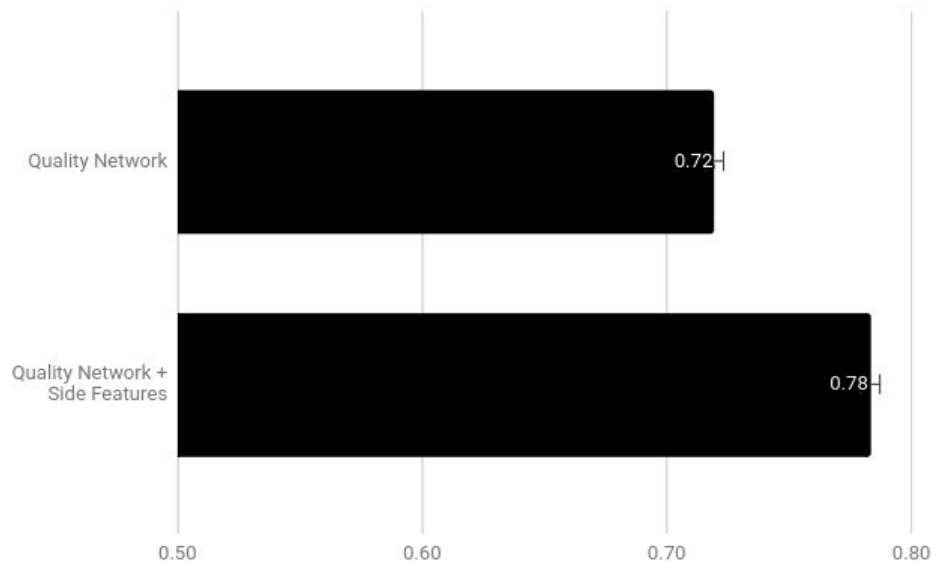


Drawing: Aphex34 on Commons

[1] Szegedy, Christian, et al. "Rethinking the inception architecture for computer vision." *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2016.

# 2. Ranking images (quality)

RESULTS: ACCURACY on 5-Fold Cross Validation

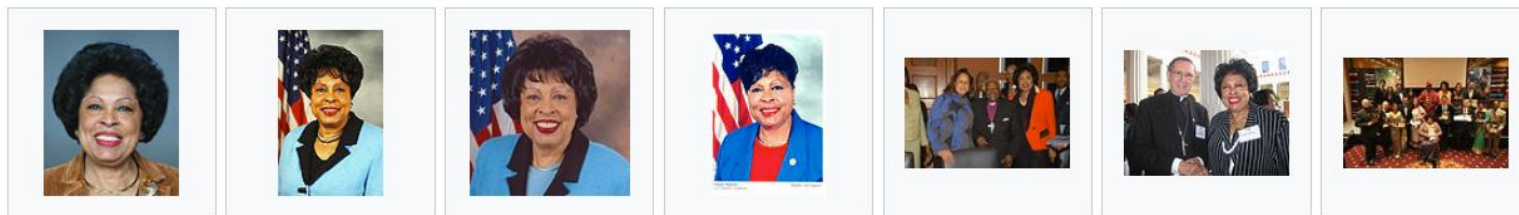


**Adding side features:**

- Image size
- Description Length

# 3. Combining Relevance and Quality

- **UNSUPERVISED:** Quality based re-ranking of the top X relevant images
- **SUPERVISED:** Joint learning to rank relevance and quality values



0.705103

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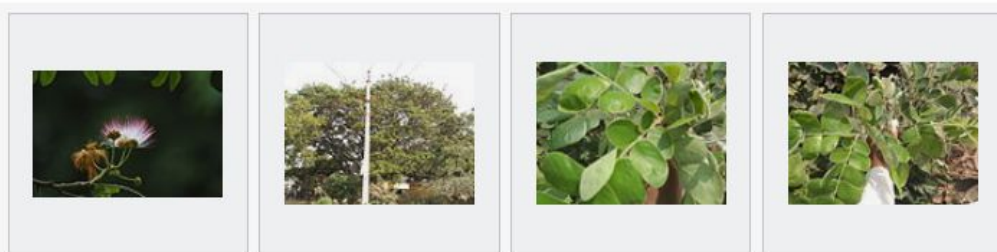
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# Evaluation



# Offline Evaluation: *The Distributed Game*

**Sippola** [Q999878]  
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Former municipality of Finland and municipality of Finland in Kymenlaakso / Anjalankoski / Kouvola, Finland



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 **Sippola church.jpg**  
**English:** Church of Sippola in Kouvola, Finland.  
**Suomi:** Sippolan kirkko Kouvolaassa.  
**Svenska:** Sippola kyrka i Kouvola, Finland.

Image Images Media

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 **Sippolan kirkko.jpg**  
**English:** The Sippola Church in Anjalankoski, Finland.  
**Suomi:** Sippolan kirkko Anjalankoskella.

Image Images Media

Skip No more images

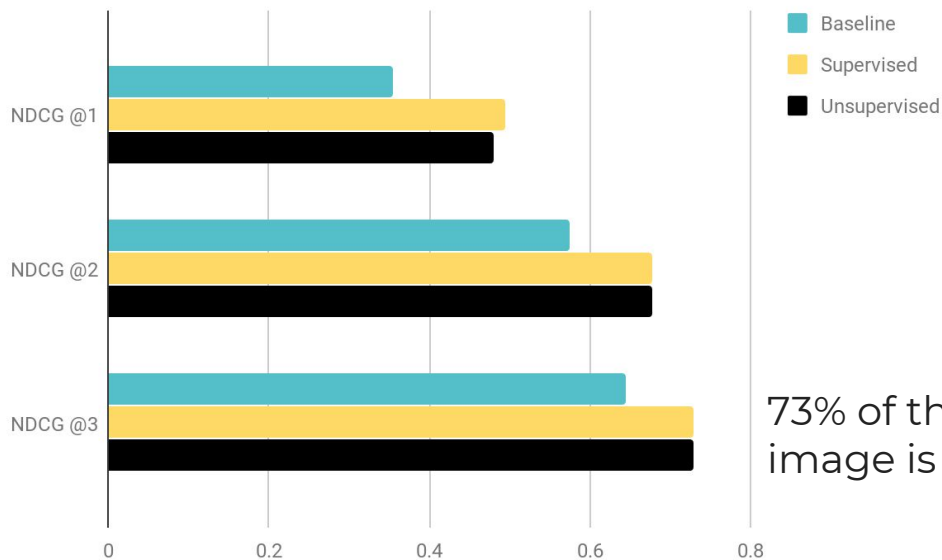
## DATA FOR EVALUATION

- 66 K ITEMS with 1+ image candidates
- **User selection** of the item image
- **Classes:**
  - 'person': Q5,
  - 'taxon': Q16521,
  - 'church': Q16970,
  - 'railway station': Q55488,
  - 'mountain': Q8502,
  - 'building': Q41176

<https://tools.wmflabs.org/wikidata-game/distributed/#game=10>

# Ranking Evaluation

How good are the models proposed at ranking the selected image in the top-X of the candidate images?



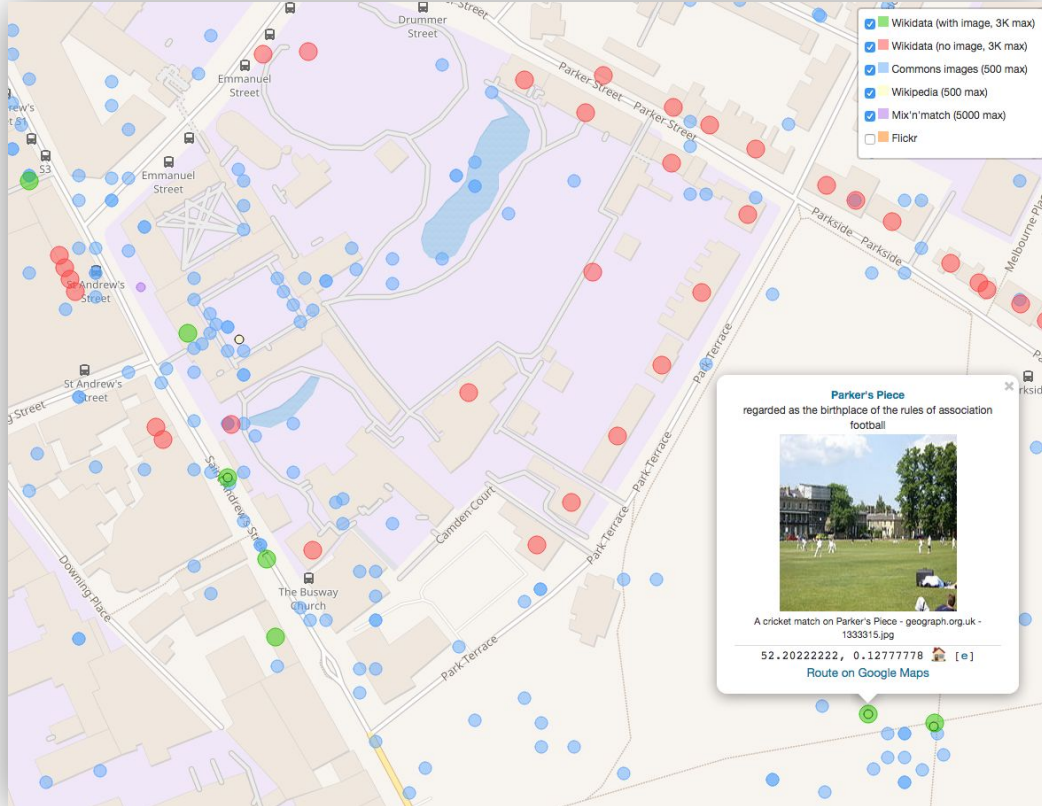
73% of the times the selected image is in the top 3!



# Tools for Enriching Wikidata

Magnus Manske

# WikiShootMe



- **Map-based tool**
- Shows Wikidata, Wikipedia, Commons images, and other sources on a single map
- **Allows direct upload/adding of images to Wikidata**
- Mobile friendly

# WD-FIST (WikiData Free Image Search Tool)

Options


- Follow language links
- Search by coordinates (100m)
- Search Commons
- Search Commons Categories
- Only items without image (P18)
- Only files not used on Wikidata already
- Only JPEG images (photos, no icons)
- Suppress files that would be suggested for more than 5 results
- Page images only (for language links)
- Show SVGs


Run

Permalink


NOTE: This tool may take a while for large categories, and slow down some browsers while loading. Try smaller category trees in that case.



Wikidata items and image candidates loaded | Wikidata labels loaded

Vijayakrishnan  en|ml





Vijayakrishnanimage.jpg

Tarun Majumdar  bn|en|id





Tarun Majumdar.jpg 02.jpg Tarun Majumdar.jpg 01.jpg

Muzaffar Ahmed  bn|en|es|ml|pa



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Kancha Ilaiah  >5



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- Checks items without images
- SPARQL, Categories, lists, etc.
- Uses associated Wikipedia pages, Commons free-text search, GPS etc. to find candidate files
- One-click interface to set an image, two clicks for other media properties
- Can be pre-filled from other tools (e.g. WikiShootMe) or Wikipedia (e.g. Listeria lists)




# The Distributed Game

**Sippola** [Q999878]  
Sippola vald 錫波拉 錫波拉


Former municipality of Finland and municipality of Finland in Kymenlaakso / Anjalankoski / Kouvola, Finland



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 **Sippola church.jpg**  
**English:** Church of Sippola in Kouvola, Finland.  
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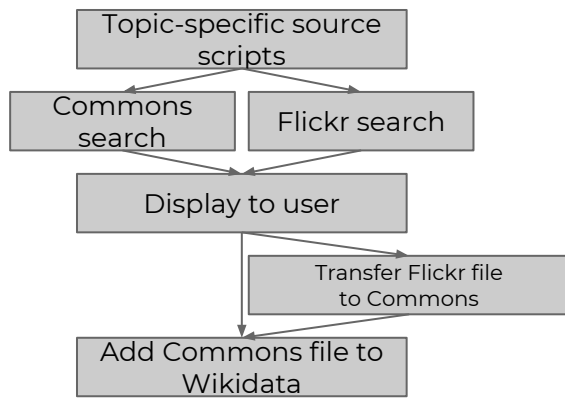
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 **Sippolan kirkko.jpg**  
**English:** The Sippola Church in Anjalankoski, Finland.  
**Suomi:** Sippolan kirkko Anjalankoskella.

<https://tools.wmflabs.org/wikidata-game/distributed/#game=10>

# Ongoing Online Evaluation: *File Candidates*

- Pre-computed file-to-item candidates
- “Expensive” queries (e.g. full-text searches)
- Multiple sources (Commons, Flickr, ...)
- Quick, unified display to user
- Specific topics
- Single-click transfer to Commons
- Single click to set as item image



The screenshot shows the 'File Candidates' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'COMMONS' and 'FLICKR'. Below these are filters for 'Groups' (SPECIES, HUMAN, PAINTING, TAXON AUDIO, CHURCH, MEMORIAL, DENKMAL\_SACHSEN) and a 'Number of items' field set to 10. A 'SPARQL filter' section contains the instruction: 'Show only items that match both the other parameters and the SPARQL; the first variable in the result set must be the item'. The main content area displays two sets of results. The first set is for 'Hemileuca nevadensis' (Q2037231), a species of insect. It shows three candidate images from Flickr with titles like 'Nevada Buck Moth (Hemileuca nevadensis) 2014-09-28 (10)' and 'Hemileuca Nevadensis'. Each candidate has a 'Transfer this file from Flickr to Commons' link and a 'flickr' icon. The second set is for 'Bicorona elegans' (Q2223985), a species of cnidarian. It shows two candidate images from the 'Annals of the South African Museum' with titles like 'Annals of the South African Museum = Annale van die Suid-Afrikaanse Museum (1975) (17796134443)'. Each candidate has a set of image type buttons (image, photo, map, diagram, other) and a Wikidata icon.



**Next!**



# Back-port images to Wikipedia

Last update: Mon, 19 Feb 2018 03:47:04 +0000

Pages are listed if they have an image on Wikidata, but no "page image", as determined by Wikipedia.

Total **42960 pages** with image candidates.

## Mensch

1. [Amir Moradi](#) [Q42296872] : Amir Moradi 2017.jpg [Commons]
2. [Yuto Nakamura \(Nordischer Kombinierer\)](#) [Q48460602] : Summer Grand Prix Competition Planica
3. [Patsy O'Connell Sherman](#) [Q7306] : Patsy Sherman.jpg [Commons]
4. [Nawaf Salam](#) [Q638463] : AmbNawaf Salam addressing UN General Assembly.jpg [Commons]
5. [Wu Changshuo](#) [Q715400] : Wu-Chang-Shi.jpg [Commons]
6. [Kent Mitchell](#) [Q734490] : Kent Mitchell 1960.jpg [Commons]
7. [Imru' al-Qais](#) [Q1051776] : ከሆጠሲሳላሁ.JPG [Commons]
8. [Jakob ben Jakar](#) [Q1187659] : Yaakov-ben-Yakar-Mainz.jpg [Commons]
9. [João I. \(Kongo\)](#) [Q1522957] : Jean Roy de Congo.jpg [Commons]
10. [Lê Thánh Tông](#) [Q1771050] : Lê Thánh Tông.jpg [Commons]
11. [Carl Wilhelm Walther](#) [Q2057675] : Carl walther.jpg [Commons]
12. [David Taylor \(Snookerspieler\)](#) [Q2069811] : Alexhiggins1968.jpg [Commons]
13. [Antoine Simon](#) [Q2215137] : Simon Louis XVII.jpg [Commons]
14. [Veranus von Cavaillon](#) [Q2356843] : SAINTVÉLAN.jpg [Commons]
15. [Raniero Felice Simonetti](#) [Q2363553] : CardinalRanieroSimonetti.jpg [Commons]
16. [Gregory A. Boyd](#) [Q2439343] : Greg Boyd (2017).jpg [Commons]
17. [Jacques Bergerac](#) [Q2480843] : Jacques bergerac.jpg [Commons]
18. [Frank Lovejoy](#) [Q2557512] : In a Lonely Place - trailer - 10 - Frank Lovejoy.png [Commons]
19. [Alison Skipworth](#) [Q2837168] : Alison Skipworth in The Casino Murder Case trailer.jpg [Commons]

Pages on German Wikipedia where Wikidata has an image but Wikipedia does not

# Using unused files

## Unused images for "Belgrade Aviation Museum"

79 unused files (out of 196).



Aviation-museum-belgrade 1.jpg

[Search Wikipedias for this title](#) to find potential articles to insert it. [\(OR version\)](#)



Avion 451 Slika1.JPG

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BAM-00-MVB.jpg

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BAM-02-Nieuport N.XI B1 Bebe.jpg

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BAM-06-Messerschmit Bf-109 G-2.jpg

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BAM-07-Hurricane MkIV RP.jpg

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BAM-11-Jak 3.jpg

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BAM-12-Ilyushin IL-2 Sturmovik.jpg

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- Many great images already on Commons, some by donation
- Takes a category on Commons, and shows all files *not* used on any Wikipedia/Wikidata/etc.
- Might even **spark ideas for new articles or items**




# Flickr firehose

FlickrFree Tools Git Talk 


Recent free images uploaded on flickr




**John Surman**  
By user [toresetphoto](#) on Mon, 19 Feb 2018 18:29:28 +0000 Upload to Commons  
Tags : concertphotography oslo oslojazzfestival2017 oslostrum universitetetsaula festival musicconcert norway  
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creativecommons ccbysa40  
License : CC-BY-SA 2.0




**Karin Krog and Steve Kuhn**  
By user [toresetphoto](#) on Mon, 19 Feb 2018 18:29:03 +0000 Upload to Commons  
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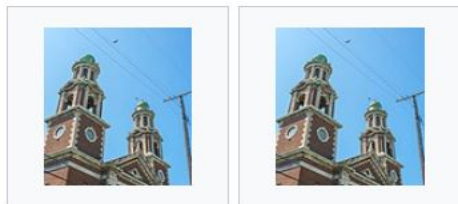
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By user [Grupo Emaus Fundación Social](#) on Mon, 19 Feb 2018 18:27:34 +0000 Upload to Commons  
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- Flickr version of “Recent Changes”
- Shows latest images on Flickr with a free license
- Upload button to Commons
- Gets us new images for the other tools

# Finding Free-Licensed images

- Are **Flickr images already on Commons?**
- **Computer vision** can detect **exact and near-duplicate images.**
- In a small scale experiment, we found that only **0,1% of these images are already on Commons.**

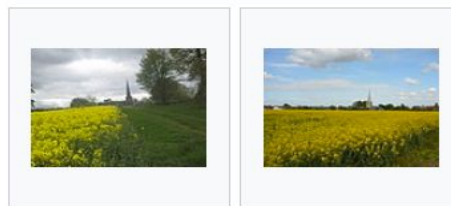
**Exact Duplicates**



Commons

Flickr

**Near-Duplicates**



Commons

Flickr

# Future Paths

- Improve machine learning models for **image recommendation** (help reducing the backlog!)
- Leverage efforts on Wikidata to **make Wikipedia more visual**
- Acquire more free-licensed visual data from **external sources**

**Inspire readers and editors through images**



Thank you :)

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# Visual Thinking

