

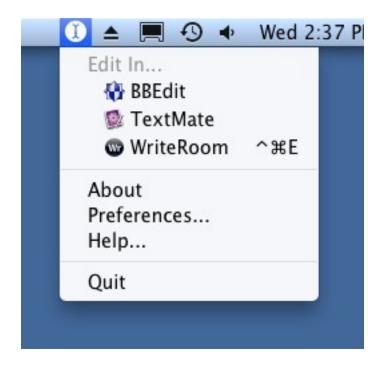
# **QuickCursor**User's Guide

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## Welcome

QuickCursor brings your favorite text editor<sup>1</sup> to any app<sup>2</sup> with a global keyboard shortcut. Unlike manually copying and pasting between apps, QuickCursor automates the entire process to save you time.

# Working with QuickCursor



### To edit text in your favorite text editor

- Click in an editable text area in any app.
- Choose the text editor that you want to use from QuickCursor's Edit In... menu item group. In QuickCursor's preferences you can define global keyboard shortcuts for your favorite editors.
- Your text editor will be started and the text copied into a new document.

## To send edited text back to the original app

 Choose Save (Command-S) in your editor app and then close (Command-W) the editor's document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Must be an editor that supports the ODB Editor Protocol.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> App must expose standard Mac OS X Copy & Paste menu items to Universal Access.

 When QuickCursor sees the document closed it will switch you back to your original app and paste in your updated text.

### To assign a global keyboard shortcut to an editor

- Choose QuickCursor's Preferences... menu item.
- Choose an editor from the Shortcuts popup menu.
- Click in the **Shortcuts** text field and enter your keyboard shortcut.
- You will now be able to use that shortcut to begin editing text in any app in your chosen editor.

### Supported Text Editors

QuickCursor requires that **Edit In...** text editor apps support the <u>ODB Editor protocol</u>. If the **Edit In...** menu item group isn't displaying any items make sure that you first install at least one of these supported editor apps first.

- BBEdit
- Espresso
- MacVim
- Smultron
- SubEthaEdit
- TextMate
- <u>TextWrangler</u>
- WriteRoom

# QuickCursor Tips & Tricks

- QuickCursor works by automating Copy & Paste operations using Universal Access' "Enable access for assistive devices" option. If something goes wrong and your edited text isn't sent back to the original app you can always manually paste it into another app.
- If you are a programmer and want to modify the way that QuickCursor works for your own personal use, I've made the basic source code available on <u>GitHub</u>.
  Please don't re-distribute similar apps based on this code. I hope you enjoy hacking away.