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Incorporating Feedback from our Beta Participants and the Academic Community

Hi [r/reddit4researchers](#) community! I'm here to share a few updates about the Reddit for Researchers (R4R) program and express excitement for the road ahead. Over the last few months, we've been fortunate to gather valuable feedback from 40+ researchers participating in our [Beta program](#), whose insights have been crucial in shaping the future of R4R. Beta participants appreciated our focus on ethical data sharing and privacy, noting the ways in which the program is striking a balance between data accessibility and user protection. Their constructive feedback has helped us to identify practical solutions and technical...

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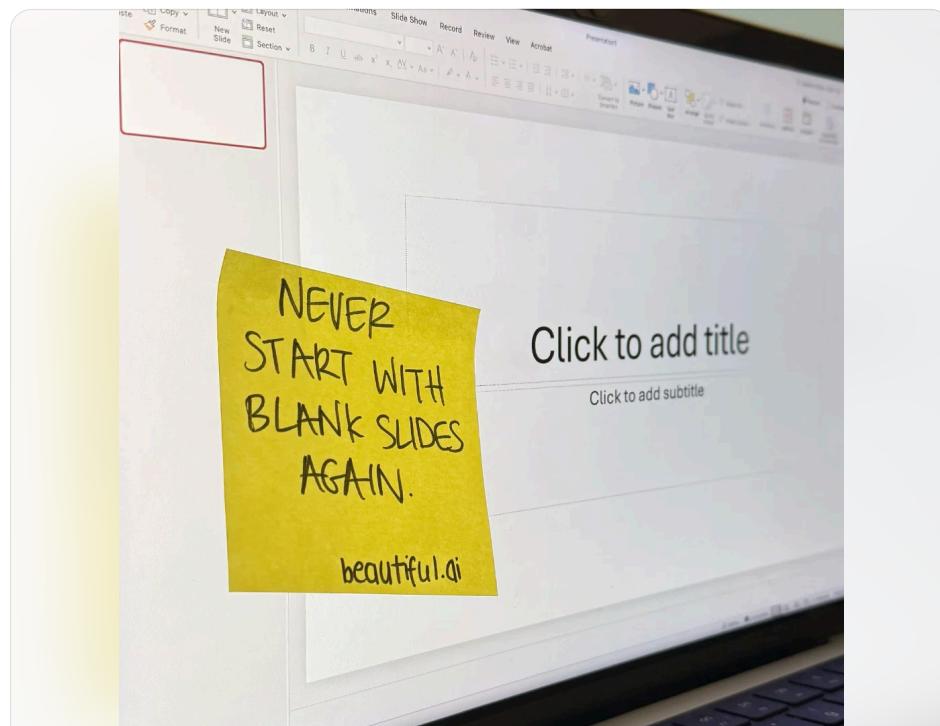


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The Reddit for Researchers Beta Program is Growing!

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Welcome to r/reddit4researchers! This community was created to be the central hub for researchers to propose studies using Reddit data and share insights and findings. Join now to stay updated, as we develop research-focused tools and the protocols required to use Reddit data for non-commercial research.

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Reddit for Researchers Beta Program: We're Live!

We're excited to announce that we've officially kicked off the Reddit for Researchers [Beta Program](#)! A small group of researchers has been selected to participate in this initial phase, in which they will use tools that we have [co-developed with OpenMined](#) to access Reddit data, and we're looking forward to learning from their valuable insights and feedback. Key Updates:

1. Overwhelming Interest: We received almost 280 [applications](#) from researchers around the world, covering a broad range of fascinating research use cases and disciplines. The diversity and quality of...

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Apply to join the Reddit for Researchers Beta [by August 23]

Hi Everyone, I'm [u/PeerRevue](#), the new Head of Research Science at Reddit, and I'm thrilled to be taking the reins of the Reddit for Researchers program. I've spent my career fostering effective industry-academic partnership: as the creator of the Twitch fellowship program, as a mentor for several PhD interns, and as a frequent conference contributor, reviewer, and organizer. I'm excited to bring my experience and passion for open research to this initiative. Scaling up the Beta Program:

Today, I'm excited to announce the expansion of our Beta Program for Reddit for Researchers. Over the pas...

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Kicking off the Researcher Beta and Updating our robots.txt file

Hi Everyone, I wanted to let you know, at long last, we're kicking [off the beta](#)! 🎉 We'll be rolling it out slowly so no promises on timeline, but if you are interested, please reply here and tell us why you're interested!

Related, our Chief Legal Officer, [u/traceroo](#), just [shared an update](#) on how we will enforce our Public Content Policy and adjust our robots.txt to match. We are seeing an uptick in obviously commercial entities who scrape Reddit and argue that they are not bound by our terms or policies, so we are making changes to our robot.txt file. We want to make sure people accessing data for research purposes continue to have access....

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Our plans for Researchers on Reddit

Greetings researchers (and research-curious)! In this post I come to you both as Reddit's CTO, and as one of Reddit's (...emeritus?) academics, with an update on our plan for researchers. Tl;dr: We have a Plan for how to ensure researchers can responsibly and ethically get access to Reddit data, and we're going to announce that as we roll it out on [r/reddit4researchers](#). Subscribe! First off, I want to acknowledge that the path for figuring out how, exactly, researchers can get access to data on Reddit has been more than a little opaque. I'll go with "confusing" and "unclear." This is a problem, and the point of this post is to say we're working on...

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