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Gene Gragg continued work on the interface (for paradigm query and manipulation) of the paradigm database project, recently re-baptized Afroasiatic Morphological Archive (AAMA — formerly COMA, Cushitic-Omotoc Morphological Archive), at a steady but slower pace, as researchers rethought the database issues for comparing, manipulating, and displaying a collection of such highly, but uniquely and diversely, structured objects as the morphological paradigms of a set of (usually, but not necessarily) related languages. Some of the issues of such a database, with an ancient Near Eastern perspective, will appear in a revised printed version of a talk given at the 2010 Oriental Institute conference on Linguistic Method and Theory and the Languages of the Ancient Near East, to be published by the Oriental Institute. The application will be posted in the course of the next academic year.

INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH

On a slightly different front, a former student, Robert Hoberman, and Gragg published a collaborative chapter on Semitic: “Semitic,” in *The Afroasiatic Languages* (ed. Zygmunt Frajzyngier and Erin Shay; Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012, pp. 145–235).
