

# parsing website with a "searching...." page

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I'm trying to parse a table on a webpage to pull down some data I need. The page is based off of information entered into a form. when you submit the data from the form it displays a "Searching..." page then, refreshes and displays the table I want. I have code that grabs data from the page using cURL but when I look at the data it contains the "Searching..." page and not the table that I want. below is the code i have so far....Thanks in advance for any help.

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<?php
$url="http://www.website.com;

$post_data = array();
$post_data['postvar1'] = "val1";
$post_data['postvar2'] = "val2";

$o="";
foreach($post_data as $k=>$v)
{
$o.= "$k=".utf8_encode($v)."&";
}

$post_data=substr($o,0,-1);

$ch= curl_init();
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_POST,1);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_HEADER,0);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_RETURNTRANSFER, 1);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_URL,$url);
curl_setopt($ch, CURLOPT_POSTFIELDS, $post_data);
$result = curl_exec($ch);
curl_close($ch);
$result=explode("\n",$result);

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