Griffith University in Brisbane Australia has finished a major upgrade to its VIVO-based information systems. Formerly known as Griffith University Research Hub, the new system, Griffith Experts organizes more than 74,000 publications of Griffith in an attractive, easy to use portal. Check it out!

Ontology workshop. This past week I had the distinct pleasure to participate in a three day workshop on ontologies for the representation of social entities in biomedicine. Sponsored by the Clinical and Translation Science Ontology Group (CTSOG), and chaired by Barry Smith of the University at Buffalo, and Bill Hogan of the University of Florida, the workshop considered the representation of social entities and documents using the Basic Formal Ontology (BFO) and the Information Artifact Ontology (IAO), both of which are used extensively in VIVO. I presented on the use of ontologies in VIVO. You can find my presentation on Figshare here. You can find my notes on the workshop here. VIVO is a prominent example of the use of these ontologies.

VIVO SHARE webinar series. SHARE and VIVO will be co-sponsoring a three part webinar series, VIVO plus SHARE: Closing the Loop on Scholarly Activity beginning this Wednesday. Learn more about how SHARE and VIVO are collaborating on joint projects to enhance the scholarly ecosystem in both representation and reuse of metadata. Webinars will be held February 24, March 11, and March 21. All webinars are at 1 PM US Eastern time. Register today!

CNI Workshop. I will be leading a discussion on the role of scientists and archives in the preservation and reuse of scientific data and metadata at the upcoming Coalition for Networked Information (CNI) spring member meeting in San Antonio, April 4-5. Attending the meeting? Please plan to attend the discussion and share your thoughts on this important topic. Hope to see you there!

Open VIVO call this Tuesday. The Open VIVO Task Force will have its second weekly call this Tuesday at 1 PM. Please join on WebEx. We will be reviewing the project plan, discussing URI for Open VIVO, and open issues related to the project plan. A high level view of the project plan can be found on the OpenVIVO Task Force page in the VIVO wiki.

Apps and Tools call this Thursday. The Apps and Tools Interest Group will have a call this Thursday at 1 PM Eastern US time. Interested in tools you can use with VIVO? Writing a new tool using VIVO data? Or the ontology? Calls often present new tools by their authors. Contact Ted Lawless or Chris Barnes for further information. For dates of upcoming VIVO calls and meetings, see the VIVO Calendar on the front page of the VIVO wiki.

Go VIVO!

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