2021 North American Users Meeting

The 2021 North American User Meeting was held on January 19, 2021, 12:00 to 3:00 EST. Our goal was to encourage our current and prospective users in Canada and the U.S. to meet each other and hear what's happening with their VIVO implementations. This virtual event was open to anyone, anywhere in the world, but was geared for those in the American time zones.

Recordings available!

To see video recordings of each presentation, click the links below in the column on the right.

Where available, conference materials are linked to presentation titles.

Agenda

12:00 - 12:10	Welcome and intro to VIVO	Julia Trimmer	Video: 10 minutes
12:10 - 12:30	VIVO current status	Bruce Herbert	Video: 20 minutes
12:30 - 12:50	VIVO developments at UQAM	Sacha Jerabek	Video: 20 minutes
12:50 - 1:00	Break		10 minutes
1:00 - 1:20	VIVO Ontology Development -- why, what, and how	Michael Conlon	Video: 20 minutes
1:20 - 1:25	Scholars@FIU: Engaging Strategic Planning & External Relations at Florida International University	Bryan Cooper, David Driesbach	Videos: 15 minutes
1:25 - 1:30	Smithsonian Institution Update	Alvin Hutchinson	
1:30 - 1:35	VIVO Scholar Implementation at Duke University	Damaris Murry	
1:35 - 1:55	Lessons Learned	Ralph O'Flinn	Video: 20 minutes
1:55 - 2:05	Break		10 minutes
2:05 - 2:25	Overview of Texas A&M University Library VIVO	Douglas Hahn	Video: 20 minutes
2:25 - 2:30	Congratulations! You are now a VIVO owner!	Anthony Helm	Videos: 15 minutes
2:30 - 2:35	CU Experts Direct: The Innovation Buffs Experiment	Don Elsborg Alex Viggio	
2:35 - 2:40	Interdisciplinary Research Dashboard at TAMU	Bruce Herbert	
2:40 - 3:00	Next steps: where do we go from here? Zoom poll	Julia Trimmer	Video: 20 minutes

Call for updates from VIVO implementers: how's it going?

We'd like each NA VIVO site to give us an update either as a 5-minute lightning talk or a 20-minute presentation. Lightning talks might touch on any of these topics:

- What are the primary use cases and goals of VIVO at your institution?
- How's adoption going, by both profile owners and site visitors?
- What works well for users, and what are they asking for?

Longer, 20-minute presentations might include the following:

- A tour of your VIVO site
- Demo of new functionality or data
- Challenges to VIVO at your institution due to shifting resources or other issues

A conversation with the VIVO Project

For over a decade, the VIVO community has been vibrant, creative, and devoted to helping each other and sustaining VIVO. We believe in open source, open science, and open data.

This meeting will give you a chance to talk directly to leaders about the direction of the VIVO Project. Our community is strong and growing, but like many open source communities, we're struggling too. To face what's ahead, we need your ideas, energy, and contributions of all kinds.

Spanish-language user event in the works

The VIVO Project is also planning an event for Spanish users in Europe, Central America, and South America to be held in early 2021. Please contact the VIVO Membership and Community Engagement Interest Group if you'd like to help with this event, or if you'd like to propose additional regional or language-based VIVO user groups.