VIVO Notes 08 -- May 17, 2010

Development Update

The development teams at Indiana, Florida and Cornell are working toward a version 1.1 release of VIVO timed to allow each implementation site to upgrade prior to the August VIVO conference. The Ontology Team has been asked to submit changes by May 31 and new code development will be completed by July 2. Application integration and testing will then proceed iteratively over the three weeks until our target release date of July 23.

The version 1.1 release will feature improvements to interactive editing, focusing on publications, awards, and conference presentations. Other areas targeted for inclusion are tools developed by the UF team for download and ingest of PubMed publication data, based initially on matching authors by email address. The Indiana development team is also planning the first appearance of visualizations about individual researchers as enhancement to VIVO profiles.

VIVO Key FAQs

We are gathering questions for a high level "key" FAQ. If you have questions about VIVO – the software, the project, the national network – please send them to Mike Conlon at mconlon@ufl.edu. We particularly like the really difficult questions.

Recent Press

VIVO was recently featured in International Science Grid This Week. See http://www.isgtw.org/?pid=1002530
VIVO was on the cover of Genome Technology for May 2010: See http://www.genomeweb.com/newsletter/genome-technology/

Your Profile in VIVO

Do you have your profile updated in a VIVO 1.0 instance? Please consider speaking with your implementation team regarding your access to your institution's VIVO 1.0 instance. Gain first-hand experience with VIVO by entering your profile information. Mike Conlon's profile is coming along nicely. See http://vivo.ufl.edu/display/n25562

VIVO Conference Update

Registration for the VIVO conference is now open. The call for papers is open. The call for applications is open.
We have two confirmed key note speakers!

- Jim Hendler, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Jim is co-creator, with Tim Berners-Lee, of the Semantic Web and co-author of the book "The Semantic Web for the Working Ontologist." See http://www.cs.rpi.edu/~hendler/
- Noshir Contractor, Northwestern University. Nosh is one of the premier experts on dynamics in social networks in communities and director of the Science of Networks in Communities (SONIC) project at Northwestern. See http://nosh.northwestern.edu/

We have three workshops for the conference:

1. VIVO Ontology. Instructors TBA
2. Implementing VIVO at Your Institution. Instructors: Valrie Davis, Sara Russell Gonzalez, Christopher Case
3. VIVO Data Analysis and Visualization Services: How to Program, Extend, and Utilize. Instructors: Micah Linnemeier, Chintan Tank, Nianli Ma, Katy Börner
   See http://vivoweb.org/conference

Ideas, Questions, Comments

Have an idea, question, or comment about VIVO? Pass along your thoughts to your team lead for inclusion in the wiki!