

# 2018-03-04 VIVO Updates

**Action Planning** VIVO Leadership, Steering and invited guests met March 1 at Duke University to review progress of the VIVO Project over the past three years, consider goals for the coming year, and organize action planning teams to create measurable objectives and monitor progress toward the objectives. Five teams were formed:

1. Vision, chaired by Rob Cartolano, Columbia University
2. Product Evolution, chaired by Paul Albert, Weill Cornell Medicine
3. Resources, chaired by Terrie Wheeler, Weill Cornell Medicine
4. Governance and Organization, chaired by Daniel Hook, Digital Science & Research Ltd.
5. Community Development, chaired by Alex Viggio, University of Colorado

Background material for the meeting is available here: [March 1 Background Material](#)

We will have more here about the action planning process in the coming weeks, including calls for participation, planning milestones, meeting times, and more.

**VIVO Camp is coming up!** VIVO Camp is a multi-day training event designed specifically for new and prospective users. Camp will be held April 5 - 7, 2018 in the Biomedical Library at the University of California San Diego. Over two and a half days, VIVO Camp will start with an introduction to VIVO leading to a comprehensive overview exploring these topics and more:

- VIVO features
- Examples and demos of VIVO including customizations
- Representing scholarship
- Loading, displaying and using VIVO data
- Introduction to the ontologies
- Managing a VIVO project
- Engaging communities
- Using VIVO resources

You can learn more, and register for camp here: <https://goo.gl/vh9hm7> We look forward to seeing you at Camp!

**VIVO Conference call for proposals is open.** Submit your proposal for the 2018 VIVO Conference at the JB Duke Hotel in Durham North Carolina here: <http://vivoconference.org/news/callforproposals>

**Meetings this week.** Lots going on. All are welcome!

- Tuesday 10 AM Ontology Improvement Task Force [2018-03-06 Ontology Improvement Call](#)
- Tuesday 11 AM Developers Interest Group [2018-02-27 - VIVO Development IG](#)
- Thursday 10 AM VIVO Committers Gathering <https://goo.gl/wFN8Xe>
- Friday 2 PM Metadata Retrieval Tool <https://duraspace.zoom.us/j/7071785624>

**OpenVIVO: Transparency in Scholarship.** A paper describing OpenVIVO was recently published in Frontiers in Research Metrics and Analytics. I want to thank all the collaborators on the paper, and [Violeta Ilik](#) for taking the lead in organizing the writing, and getting the paper published:

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OpenVIVO is a free and open hosted semantic web platform open to anyone that gathers and shares open data about scholarship around the world. OpenVIVO, based on the VIVO open source platform, provides transparent access to data about the scholarly work of its participants. OpenVIVO demonstrates the use of persistent identifiers, automatic real-time ingest of scholarly ecosystem metadata, use of VIVO-ISF and related ontologies, attribution of work, and publication and reuse of data – all critical components of presenting, preserving, and tracking scholarship. The system was created by a cross-institutional team over the course of three months. The team created and used RDF models for research organizations in the world based on Digital Science GRID data, for academic journals based on data from CrossRef and the US National Library of Medicine, and created a new model for attribution of scholarly work. All models, data, and software are available in open repositories.

Gooooo VIVO!

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