

Progress Towards the BioCompute Database

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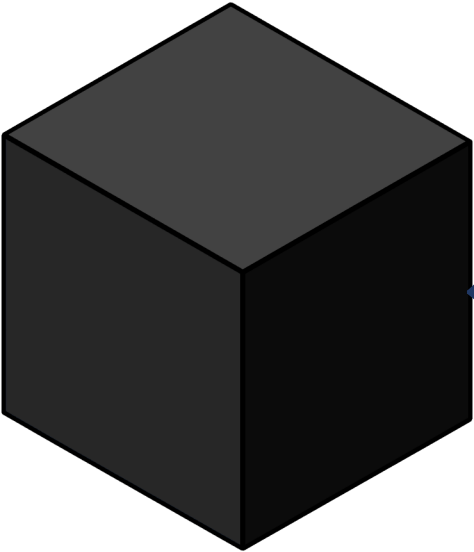


BioCompute
Objects

HTS Data Flows

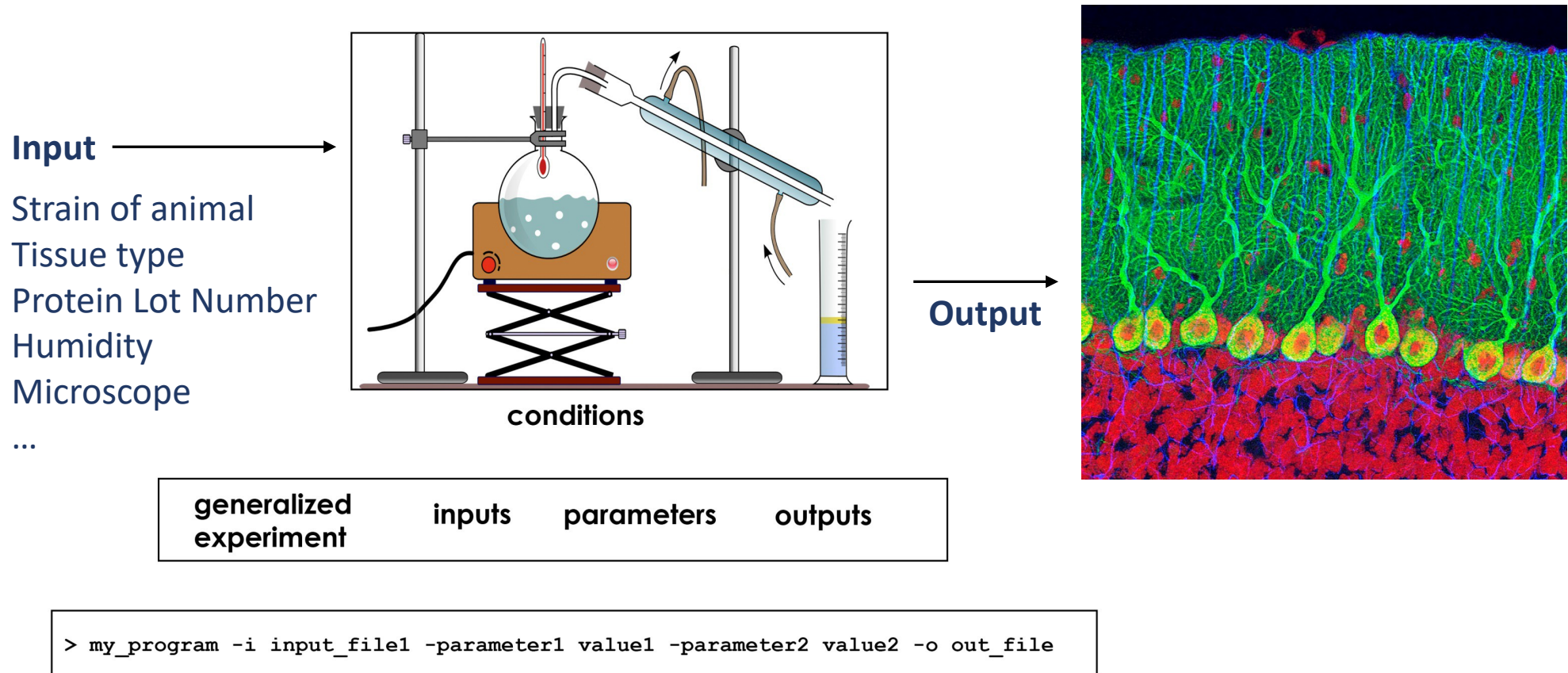


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R: $ fastq-dump -X 2 SRR001666 --split-3  
W: $ fastq-dump -X 2 SRR001666 --split-3  
@: $ fastq-dump -X 2 SRR001666 --split-3  
G: Read 2 spots for SRR001666  
+: Written 2 spots for SRR001666  
I: G: $ head SRR001666_1.fastq SRR001666_2.fastq  
@: ==> SRR001666_1.fastq <==  
G: I: @SRR001666.1 071112_SLXA-EAS1_s_7:5:1:817:345 length=36  
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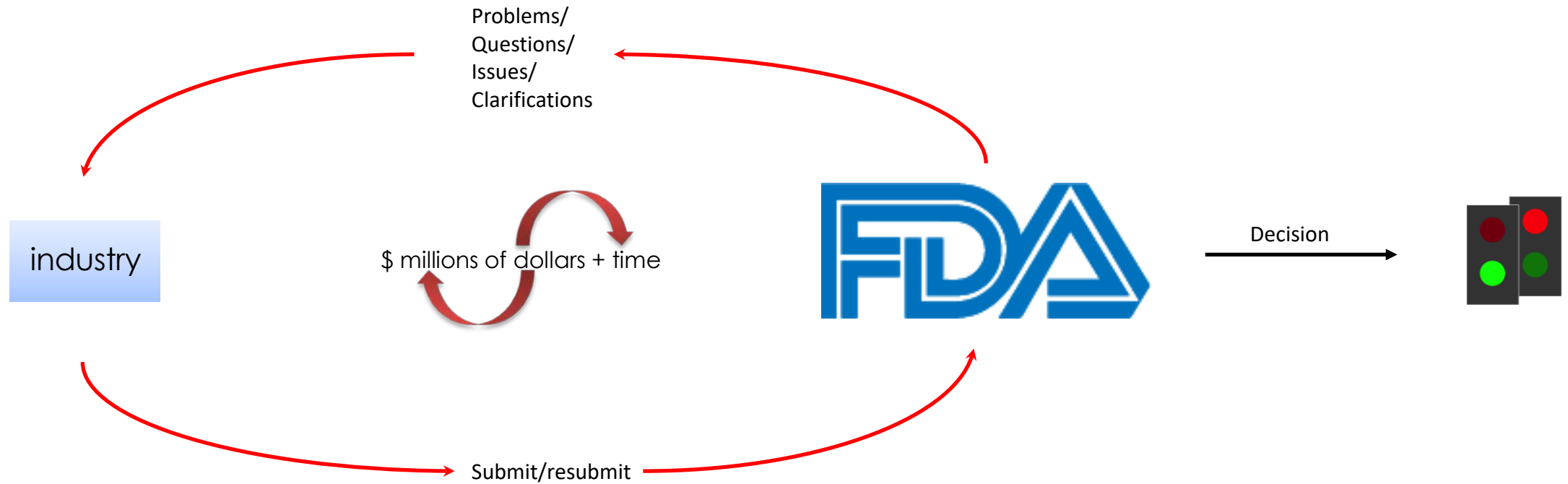
- Ancestry
- Cancer
- Microbiome
- Disease correlation
- Agriculture
- Synthetic biology
- Livestock
- Metagenomics
- Personalized medicine

Challenge: Workflow Communication



Analogy: wet lab experiments

Wasted Time and Money



This is not a Guidance Document

DRAFT: Please provide comments and suggestions

Submitting Next Generation Sequencing Data to the Division of Antiviral Products Experimental Design and Data Submission

Acceptable Next Generation Sequencing Platforms

The division will accept Next Generation sequencing data generated from most standard Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) platforms provided the sponsor supplies the appropriate details for the sequencing platform, the protocols to be used for sample preparation, the raw NGS data, and the methods used to analyze the data. We recommend communicating with the division early in the process and providing these details prior to submitting the sequencing data. Please consider the following information when preparing your NGS submissions.

Data Transfer

1. Portable hard drive

- a. The raw NGS data in the fastq format should be sent to the division on a secured, portable hard drive following the guidelines outlined in this Guidance:
<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/FormsSubmissionRequirements/ElectronicSubmissions/UCM163567.pdf>
- b. Please note that only the raw NGS data, the frequency table, and a table of contents should be contained on the hard drive. Additional files, such as those with a .exe extension may result in rejection of the submission. In addition, if the hard drive is password protected (not required or recommended at this time), please consult with the division ahead of time to ensure that the password is provided to the appropriate personnel in the document room.
- c. All additional data should be submitted via the electronic document gateway.

A solution should...

- Be **human readable**: like a GenBank sequence record
- Be **machine readable**: structured information with predefined fields and associated meanings of values
- Contain enough information to understand the computational pipelines, interpret information, maintain records, and reproduce experiments
- Be **immutable**: ensure information has not been altered

Solution: BioCompute

IEEE approved standard for communicating bioinformatic analysis workflows

- Acts like an envelope for entire pipeline
 - Can incorporate other standards
- Human and machine readable
 - Written in JSON
- Categorized by domains
- Adheres to and encourages F.A.I.R. principles
 - Fully open source
- Adaptable
 - e.g. to other schemas
- Preserves data provenance
- Unique IDs for versioning

Solution: BioCompute

Experimental Design

Analysis Steps

Parameters

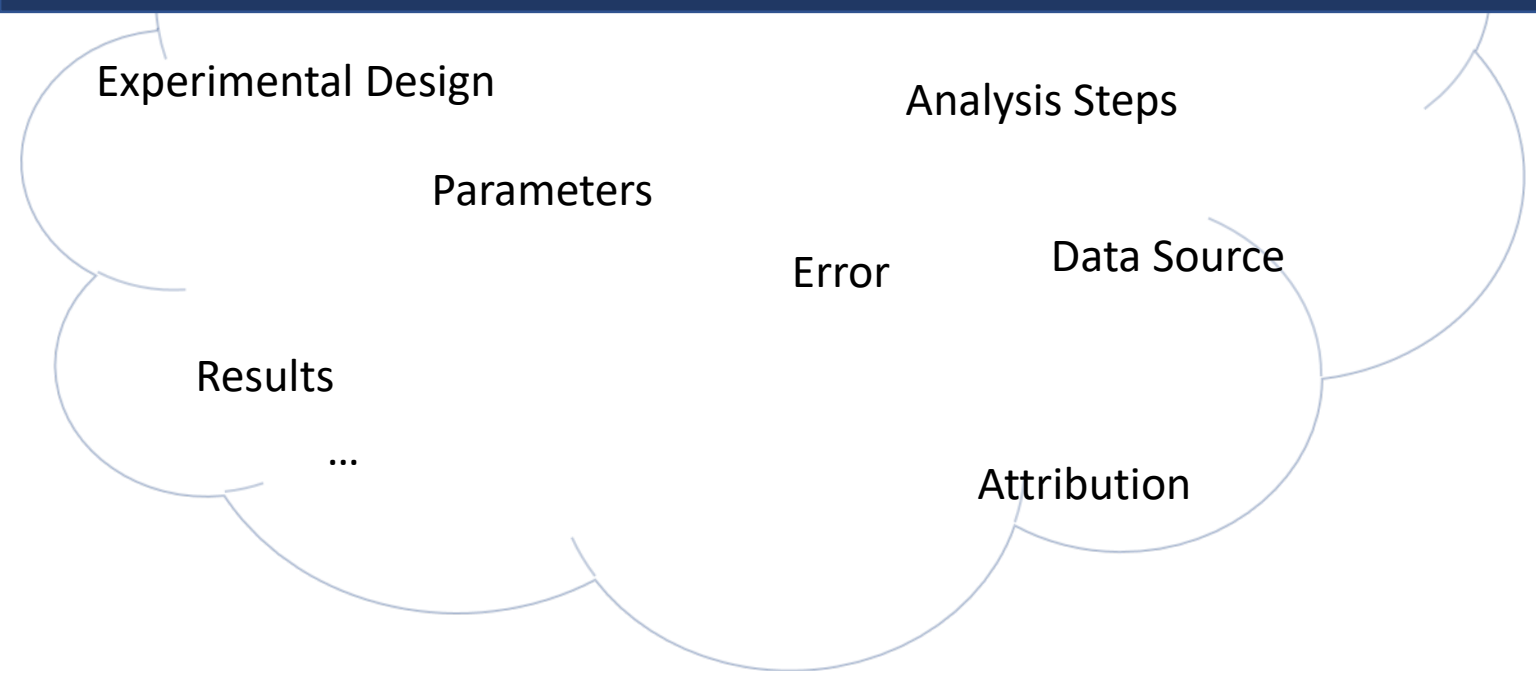
Error

Data Source

Results

...

Attribution



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Standardizes report content

BioCompute streamlines reporting without enforcing any tool, platform, or workflow strategy.

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spec_version : https://w3id.org/ieee/ieee-2791-schema/
▶ usability_domain [1]
▶ provenance_domain {9}
▼ description_domain {2}
  ▶ keywords [11]
  ▼ pipeline_steps [10]
    ▶ 0 {7}
    ▶ 1 {6}
    ▼ 2 {7}
      name : Spike-In Trim and Filter Reads
      version : 1.0.0
      step_number : 3
      ▶ input_list [1]
      ▶ output_list [1]
```

Machine readability enables customized views

Metadata

object_id : https://beta.portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00016916
spec_version : <https://w3id.org/ieeee/ieeee-2791-schema/>
etag : fea7e938e6bdf9a2cfba7fa02f5a5fc3973dcc0b03a64319e1ee29966a5b6b

provenance_domain :

embargo :
created : 2020-08-04T23:50:56.016Z
modified : 2020-08-04T23:50:56.016Z
name : Human Healthy Bulk RNA-seq Expression (Bgee)
version : v-1.0
obsolete_after : 2020-04-22T23:57:00.000Z
contributors :
contribution :
createdBy
name : Amanda Bell
email : amandab2140@gwu.edu
affiliation : GW HIVE-Lab
orcid : <http://orcid.org/0000-0002-9920-565X>
license : Attribution 4.0 International CC BY 4.0

Provenance Domain

description_domain :

keywords :
Gene Expression
Gene Expression Regulation
Tissue specificity
xref :
namespace : ensembl
name : Ensembl Genome Browser
ids :
Ensembl gene ID
access_time : 2020-04-22T14:03:00.000Z
platform :
OncoMX
pipeline_steps :
step_number : 1
name : oncomx server
prerequisite :
uri :
description : Process data
input_list :

Description Domain

error_domain :

empirical_error :
D168Y: percentage: 0.56, calls: 0.5615, STDEV.P: 0.00075
algorithmic_error :
SCORE_threshold: 0.5, QUALITY: 25, COVERAGE: 5000

Error Domain

parametric_domain :

param : grep
value : -r
step : 1

Parametric Domain

execution_domain :

environment_variables :
key : EDITOR
value : vim
key : HOSTTYPE
value : x86_64-linux
external_data_endpoints :
url : <https://data.oncomx.org/ONCOMXDS000012>
name : Human Healthy Bulk RNA-seq Expression (Bgee)
script :
uri :
filename : make-dataset.py
uri : <http://data.oncomx.org/ln2wwwdata/software/pipeline/integrator/make-dataset.py>
access_time : 2020-04-22T14:28:00.000Z
software_prerequisites :
uri :
filename : shell
uri : <https://www.python.org/download/releases/2.7.5>
access_time : 2020-04-22T14:30:00.000Z
name : Python
version : 2.7.5
script_driver : Python

Execution Domain

io_domain :

input_subdomain :
uri :
filename : Homo_sapiens_UBERON:0000066
uri :
http://data.oncomx.org/ln2wwwdata/downloads/bgee/current/Homo_sapiens_UBERON:0000066_AFFYMETRIX_RNA_SEQ.tsv
access_time : 2020-04-22T20:44:00.000Z
output_subdomain :
uri :
filename : human_normal_expression.csv
uri : <https://data.oncomx.org/ONCOMXDS000012>
access_time : 2020-04-22T20:50:00.000Z
mediatype : TEXT/CSV

IO Domain

extension_domain :

dataset_categories :
category_value : Homo sapiens
category_name : species
category_value : normal
category_name : disease_status
extension_schema : <https://data.oncomx.org/ONCOMXDS000012>

Extension Domain

usability_domain :

List of human taxid:9606 genes with healthy RNA-Seq and Affymetrix expression data in Bgee; additional documentation available at (https://github.com/BgeeDB/bgee_pipeline/tree/develop/pipeline/collaboration/oncoMX#information-about-the-files-generated-for-oncomx) Only the subset of RNA-Seq data are used to generate the expression profiles for healthy individuals for human used by OncoMX.



Usability Domain

BioCompute participants



Standardization



Institute of Electrical and Electronics
Engineers Standard

BioCompute P2791-2020 approved January
2020

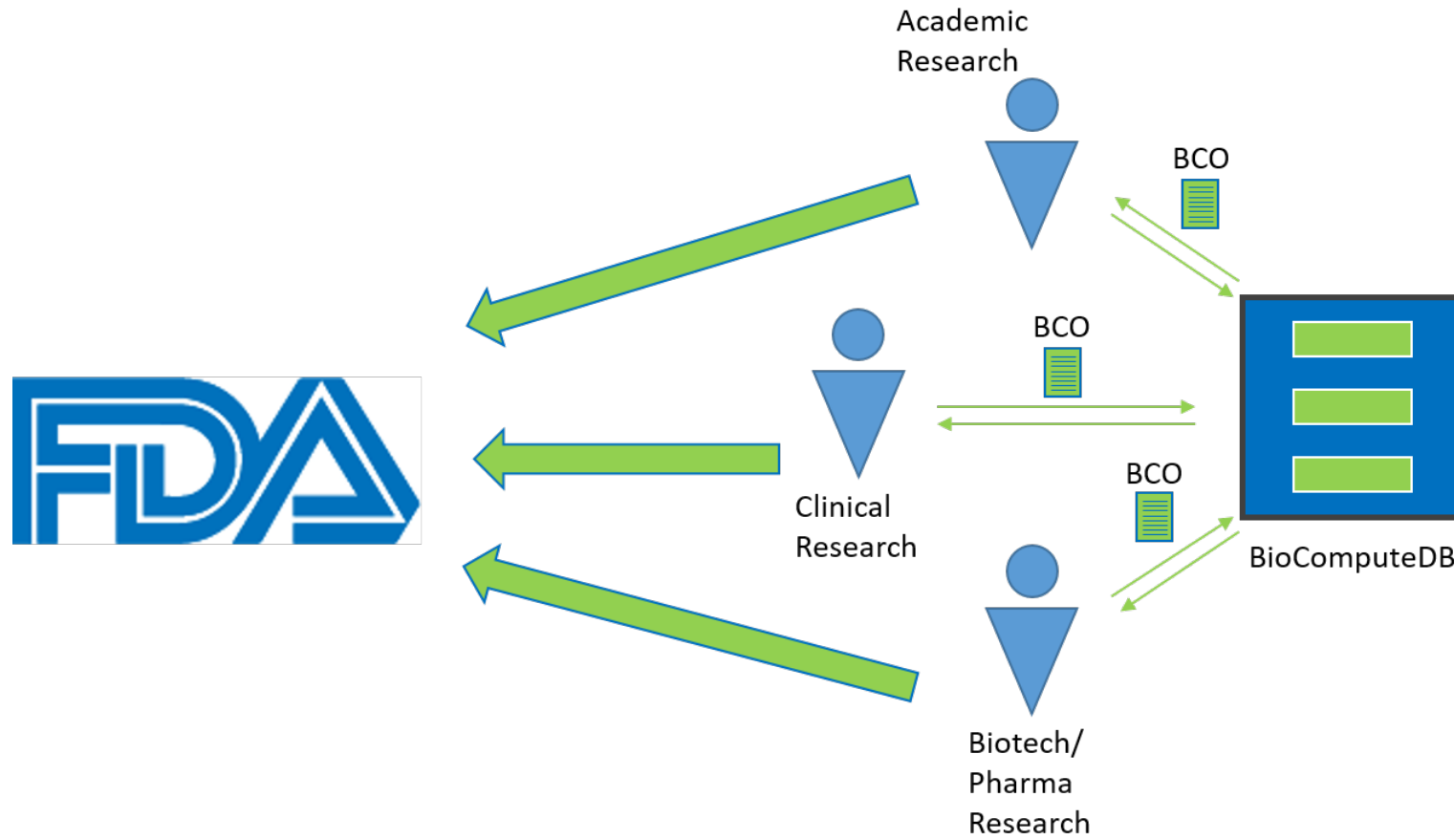
<https://standards.ieee.org/content/ieee-standards/en/standard/2791-2020.html>

FDA Related Activities

BAA 75F40119C10136

- Training for FDA personnel
- Prototypes
 - BCO-CWL prototypes (portability of execution)
 - BCO-RO prototypes (packaging a BCO with a larger package of resources)
 - Beginning year 3: Seven Bridges Genomics platform integration
 - Beginning year 3: DNANexus platform integration
- Development of an open source database and associated portal

BioCompute DB



BioCompute DB

- Allow a reviewer to better understand procedures associated with a specific sponsor analysis
 - Facilitate better scientific communication of workflows with little additional communication, outside of initial submission
 - Self education or templates for reviewers
- Central DB for coordination of activities
 - Versioning
 - Checking for name collisions
 - “BC0001.json”
 - Referencing previous BCOs
 - E.g. in “derived_from” field
- Components
 - Database
 - Interface (“Portal”)
 - Registry

BioCompute DB: Registry

"https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00067092",

Prefix

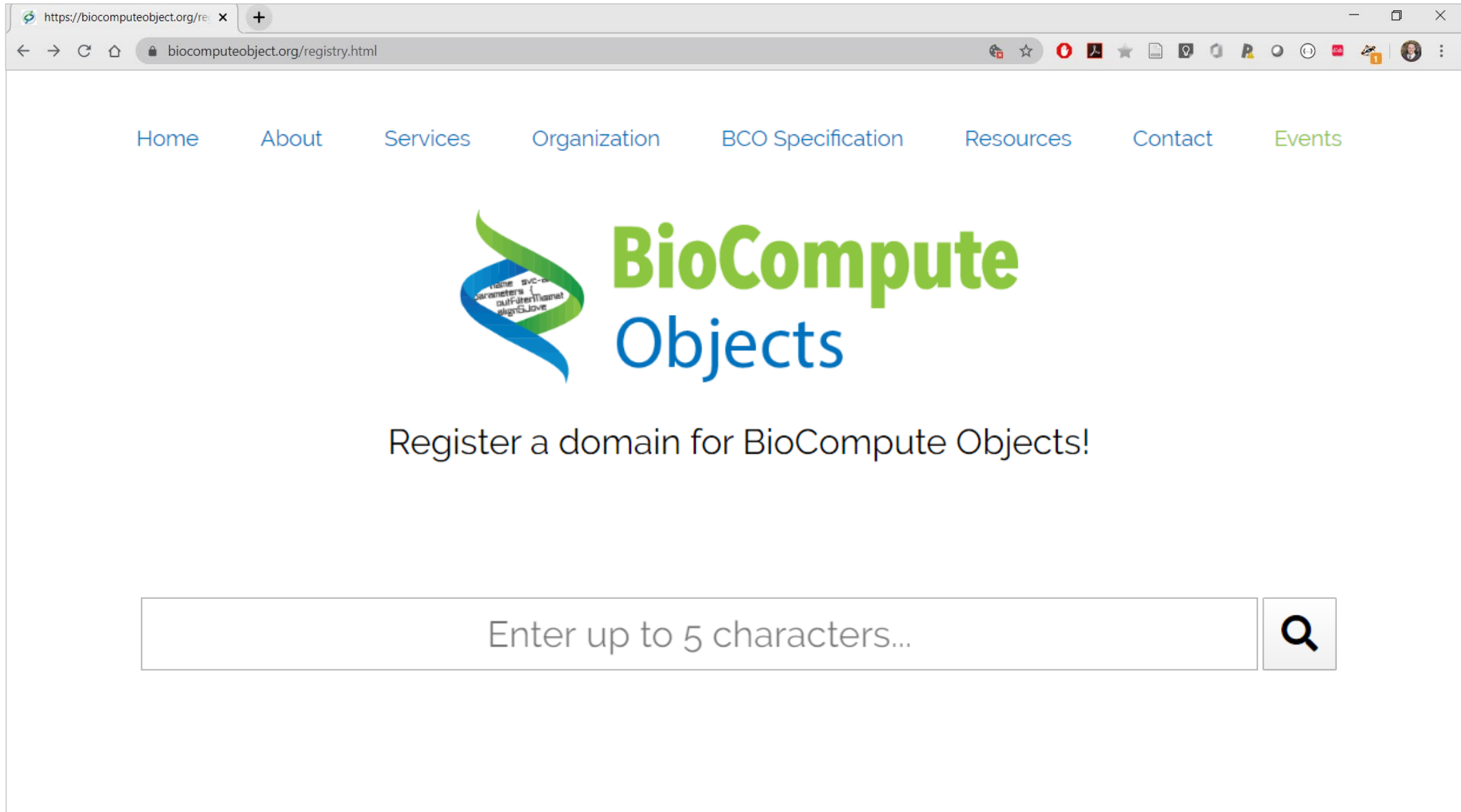
Domain

User Specified

Domain	Owner
NVR	Jim@Novartis.com
MRK	Jack@merck.com
FZR	Susan@Pfizer.com
...	...


BioCompute Registry

BioCompute Registry: Initial Draft




The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying `https://biocomputeobject.org/registry.html`. The page features a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Services, Organization, BCO Specification, Resources, Contact, and Events. The main content area displays the BioCompute Objects logo, which consists of a stylized DNA double helix with the text "BioCompute Objects" next to it. Below the logo, the text "Register a domain for BioCompute Objects!" is centered. At the bottom of the page, there is a search input field with the placeholder text "Enter up to 5 characters..." and a search button with a magnifying glass icon.

Home About Services Organization BCO Specification Resources Contact Events

 **BioCompute**
Objects

Register a domain for BioCompute Objects!

Enter up to 5 characters... 

BioCompute Portal: Initial Draft



Welcome to the BCO Editor, a platform-free, web-based form for creating BioCompute Objects (BCOs). For more information, see the [BioCompute Website](#), the [official IEEE standard](#), and the [open source repository](#) for all schema files.

Sign in

Email address

Password

SIGN IN NOW

Don't have an account? [Sign up](#)
[Forgot Password?](#)

<https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/sign-in>

BioCompute Portal: Initial Draft

BioCompute Portal 3.0.2
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Search object

BioCompute Object List

[CREATE NEW BCO](#)

<input type="checkbox"/> Object ID	Name	Created On	Created By	Access List
<input type="checkbox"/> https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00017987	HCV1a ledipasvir resistance SNP tion	04/28/2020	Charles Hadley King	Eric Donaldson
<input type="checkbox"/> https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00099545	R Safety Assessment Algorithm for Aluminum in Infant Vaccines	04/30/2020	Charles Hadley King	Mark Walderhaug, RJ Mitkus, RJ Mitkus, DB King, MA Hess
<input type="checkbox"/> https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00016748	Genes normally expressed in human tissues (Bgee)	07/10/2020	Amanda Bell, Janisha Patel	Frederic Bastian, Marc Robinson-Rechav, Hayley Dingerdissen, Evan Holmes
<input type="checkbox"/> https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/bco/BCO_00020356	Genes normally expressed in human tissues (Bgee)	07/10/2020	Amanda Bell	Frederic Bastian, Marc Robinson-Rechav, Hayley Dingerdissen, Evan Holmes

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embargo [BCO Field Reference](#) ^

Beginning date of embargo period.

End date of embargo period.

Date and time of the BioCompute Object creation

Date and time the BioCompute Object was last modified

contributors [BCO Field Reference](#) ^

[+ ADD ITEM](#)

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BROWSE PROJECTS

Read Only

DOWNLOAD

BCO Information-

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E Tag: [ca34683b739b6c283adc89bd9bdcbaa5c5f1056037164a8b2934567955a60420](#)

Description Domain+

Error Domain+

Execution Domain+

Extension Domain+

IO Domain+

Parametric Domain+

Provenance Domain+

Usability Domain+

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{
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  "Description Domain": {
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      "Genome",
      "Genomics",
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Description Domain+

Error Domain+

Execution Domain-

External_data_endpoints+

Software_prerequisites-

0-

Name: Bowtie2

Version: 2.2.5

Uri+

1+

2+

3+

4+

5+

6+

Environment_variables+

BioCompute DB: Original Design Refinements

- Functional, with ideas for improvement
- Monolithic design
 - Interface and database are pieces of the same thing
 - Portal and database joined in source code
 - Full source code must be implemented for instantiation
 - Lack of modularization makes it difficult to change database or Portal without affecting the other
 - E.g. new API features require changing code that would potentially affect the entire project
 - Most fixes/features *ad hoc* code patches

DB specific code
Interface specific code
Used by both



BioCompute DB: Original Design Refinements

- **Other ideas**
 - **Better support for BCOs built outside of Portal**
 - Support for CLI submission
 - Methods for external resources (eg HIVE or Galaxy) to deposit BCOs
 - **Need better object manipulation tools**
 - “Edit Mode” for BCOs in progress and not published
 - Need better support for advanced permissions (view/download/edit/share)
 - Advanced searching
 - Links to external resources or supporting data

BioCompute DB: New Design

- Fully separated code bases
 - Portal and database
 - Greater flexibility now and in the future
 - E.g. repository-based system like NCBI



BioCompute DB: New Design

- **API-driven architecture**
 - Easy to interface with
 - Partitioned into “classes”
 - Reusable by other programmers
 - Less effort to expand
 - **API follows CRUD paradigm**
 - Create, Read, Update, Delete; corresponding to POST, GET, PATCH, DELETE
 - Allows interaction with API to be characterized by operation type
 - **Template-based request system**
 - Each type of CRUD operation has a defined set of templates allowed for that type
 - Reduces the number of requests that have to be made

BioCompute DB: New Design

- Examples of request types:

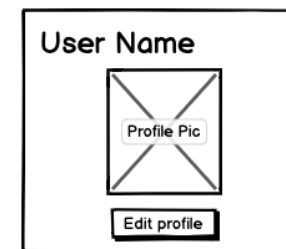
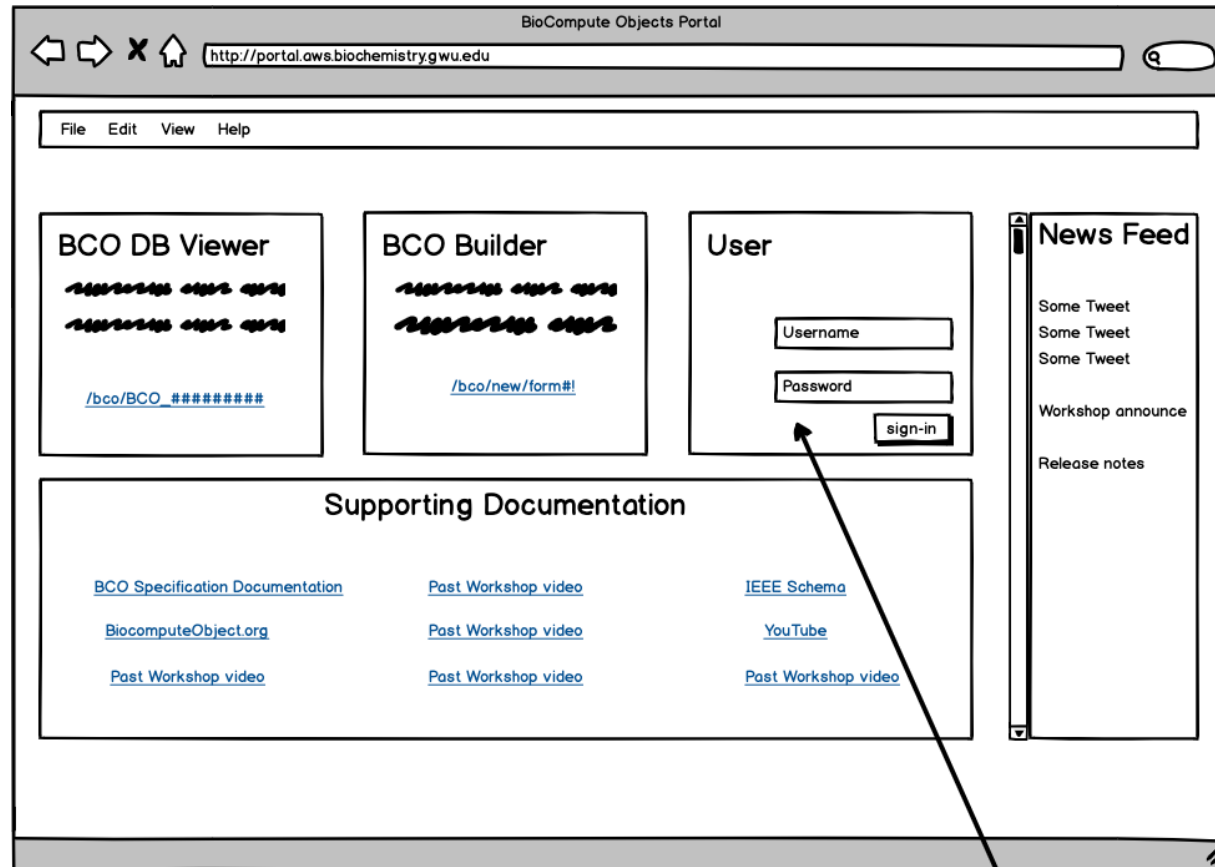
POST	Create new BCO; Convert existing object between schemas
GET	Validate JSON object against a schema; request available schemas from a server; search for objects based on fields
PATCH	Modify an existing BioCompute Object based on fields
DELETE	Delete an object based on fields

- **GET will likely be most important for cross-organization interaction**
 - Users external to an organization can retrieve information about objects created by other users based on characteristics like authors, pipeline steps, time created, etc.

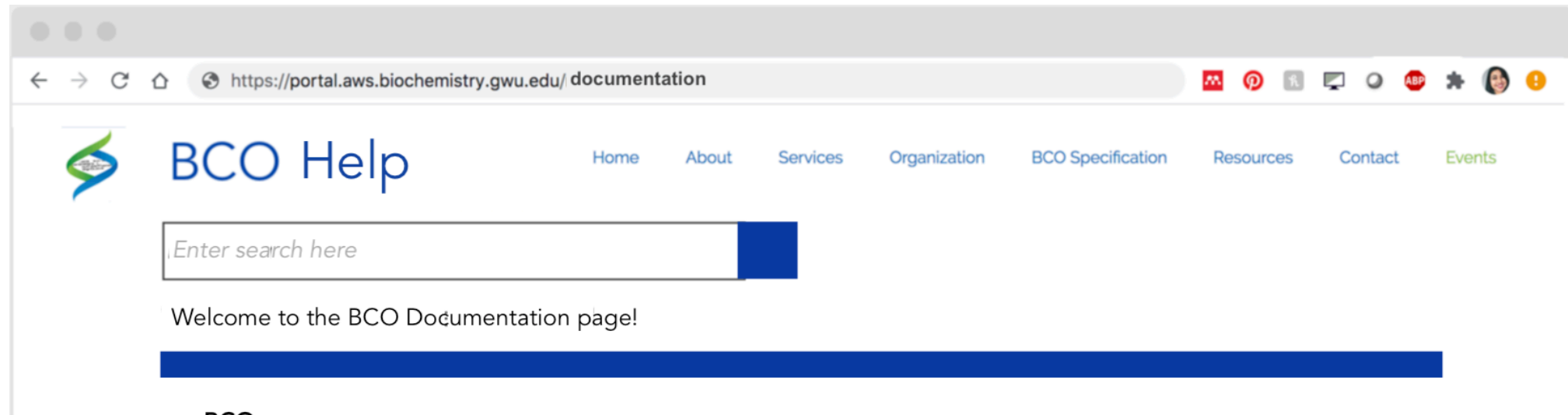
BioCompute DB: New Design Progress

- API architecture is in beta**
 - Currently undergoing testing for validating BCOs against IEEE schema
- Code modularized**
 - Can now be engaged by command line or browser
- Template system implemented**
 - Expanded API functionality
- Plan to establish first public facing repository in 2 months**
 - House all created objects
- Convert API into python package**
 - Rapid deployment and configuration
- Wrap API in OpenAPI/Swagger framework**
 - Enables standardization of results
- Strengthen security of API**
 - Token-based security authentication, public-key cryptography

BioCompute DB Mockups: Main Page



BioCompute DB Mockups: Documentation Page



BCO

What is a BioCompute Object?

BCO Specification

BCO Registry

BCO Consortium

BCO Portal

Supporting Documentation


Creating a BioCompute Object

Installing an instance of the BCO Editor

Videos

BioCompute DB Mockups: Registry Page

https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/registry

 **BCO Registry** [Home](#) [About](#) [Services](#) [Organization](#) [BCO Specification](#) [Resources](#) [Contact](#) [Events](#)

Welcome to the BCO Registry Page!

The BioCompute consortium maintains a database of registered authorities. Registered authorities are able to assign their own IDs in the object_id field, such as gwu000001.

Registered Domains:

- GWU
- FDA
- ...

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/registry>. The page features the BCO Registry logo and a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Services, Organization, BCO Specification, Resources, Contact, and Events. A search bar contains the text "Enter Domain Here". Below the search bar, it states "You searched for 'GWU'". A blue banner with a question mark icon and the text "Domain taken" is displayed. The main content area is split into two columns. The left column, titled "'GWU' is taken", includes two bullet points: "✓ Find alternative names below" and "✓ Get help from a member of the [BCO Cons]". The right column, titled "Here are some great alternatives:", lists three domain options: "GMU ✓ available", "GTU ✓ available", and "GSU ✓ available".

BCO Registry

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Enter Domain Here

You searched for "GWU"

Domain taken

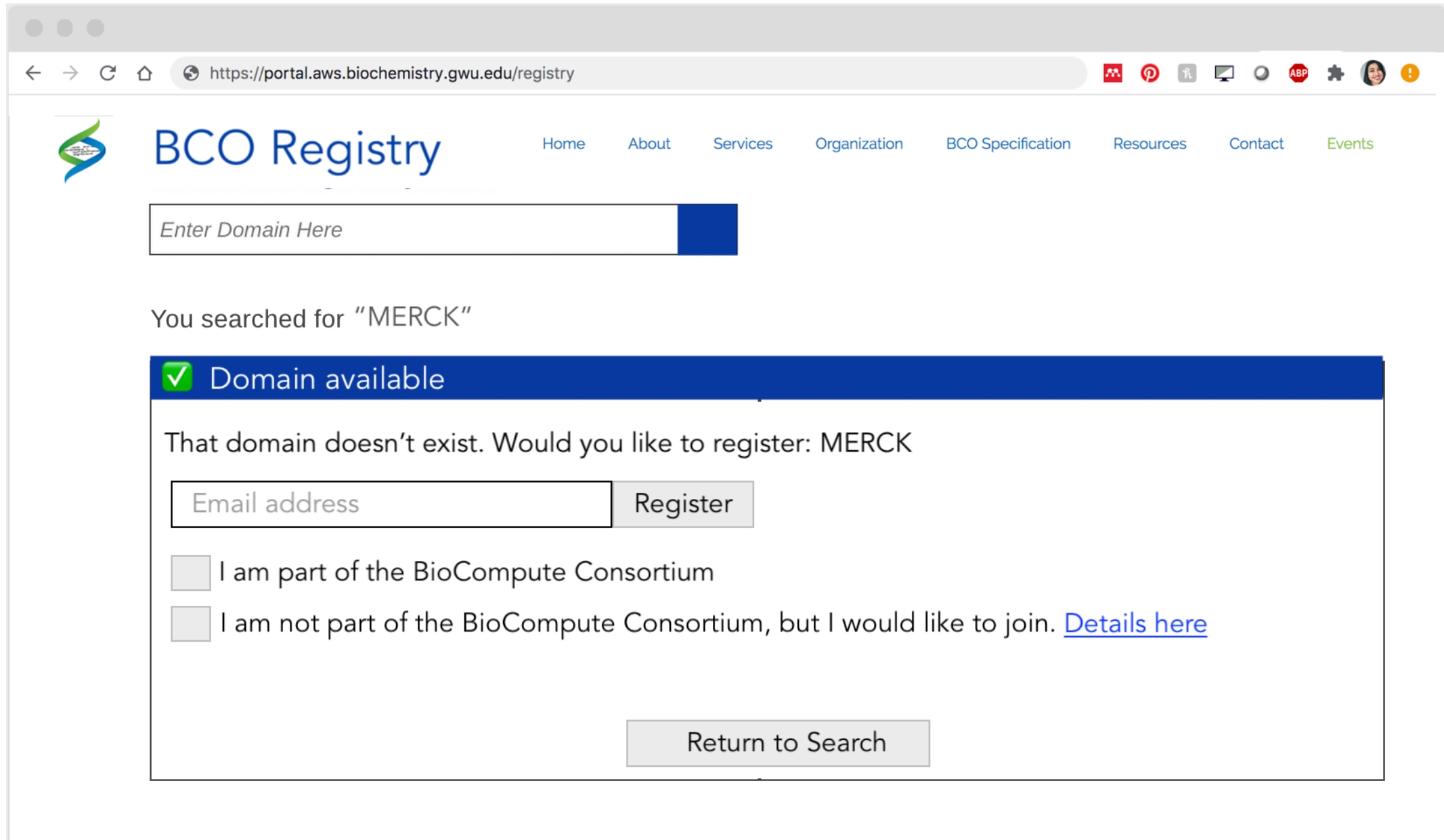
"GWU" is taken

- ✓ Find alternative names below
- ✓ Get help from a member of the [BCO Cons]


Here are some great alternatives:

GMU	✓ available
GTU	✓ available
GSU	✓ available

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Enter Domain Here

You searched for "MERCK"

Domain available

That domain doesn't exist. Would you like to register: MERCK

I am part of the BioCompute Consortium

I am not part of the BioCompute Consortium, but I would like to join. [Details here](#)

https://github.com/biocompute-objects/bco_editor

biocompute-objects / bco_editor

Unwatch 9 Star 2 Fork 8

Code Issues 32 Pull requests Actions Projects Wiki Security Insights Settings

main 2 branches 8 tags

Go to file Add file Code

	car mstrong1gw Update centos.md	13e9a8d 25 days ago	🕒 131 commits
📁	bco_be	Several updates, added build script and linking in field descriptions.	25 days ago
📁	configurations	Fixed #113 . Also tweaked the asterisk on Parametric Domain in the BCO...	5 months ago
📁	django_react_proj	Committing before implementing JSON tree view for usability in classes.	3 months ago
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📄	Procfile	first commit	9 months ago
📄	README.md	Test commit.	2 months ago
📄	VERSION	Add VERSION file	6 months ago
📄	build_deploy.sh	Fixed build_deploy.sh	25 days ago
📄	django_react_proj.sock	upload profile	9 months ago
📄	manage.py	updated required field	8 months ago

About



A web application that can be used to create and edit BioCompute objects based on BioCompute schema described in the BCO specification document.

portal.aws.biochemistry.gwu.edu/

biocompute-objects bco biocompute web-application

📖 Readme

Releases 8

BioCompute Editor 3.0.2 Latest
on May 13

+ 7 releases

Packages

No packages published

Next Steps

- Finish beta testing API architecture
- Test template system
- Establish public facing repository
- Convert API into python package
- Wrap API in OpenAPI/Swagger framework
- Strengthen security of API
- Beta test entire system
- Package code for deployment
- Host documentation

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