

# Biomedical Informatics for Clinical Decision Support – a vision for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: **Informatics Infrastructure – NIH Perspective**

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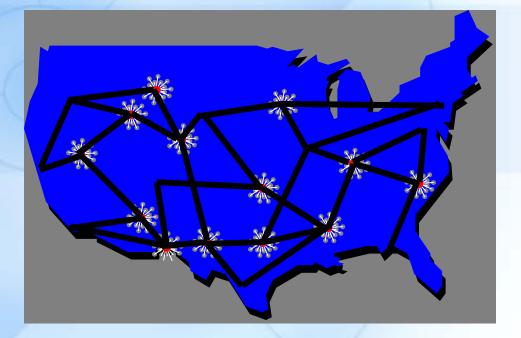
### **Re-engineering the CR Enterprise**

- Integration of CR networks and CR Informatics
  - Pilot NECTAR network
- Facilitate translational research
- Enhanced training
- Clinical Research Corps
- Coordination and Support of CR regulatory policies and processes

### Integration of Clinical Research Networks

Establish interoperable networks where clinical studies and trials can be effectively conducted

Ensure that patients, physicians and scientists form true "Communities of Research"



## **NECTAR Network**

- A national network of new and extant CR sites, programs, and systems
  - National Electronic Clinical Trials and Research (NECTAR) Network
- Linking will synergistically:
  - Expand their utility, functionality
  - Maximize connectivity
  - Provide unprecedented analytical capacity

### **NECTAR: Three Foci**

### **Data Standards**

Common exchange standards and vocabularies (e.g., HL-7, LOINC, SNOMED)

### Tools

Software applications to support clinical research tasks (protocol preparation and review; IRB mgmt; AE reporting; data collection, analysis and reporting)

### **Network Infrastructure**

Platforms, architectures, integrating elements

### **Clinical Research Inventory**

- Estimated Start Date: September 30, 2004
- Estimated Completion Date: June 30, 2006
- Major Goals:
  - Develop inventory and database of existing clinical research networks
  - Detailed description of existing practices and assessment of best practices
  - National Leadership Forum on the results of inventory and the assessment of studies

Feasibility of Integrating and Expanding Clinical Research Networks

#### (BAA-RM-04-23)

- Foster clinical research networks that are based on common or inter-operable infrastructure elements and that conduct research both in academic and clinical care settings.
- Integrate and expand clinical research networks will broaden the kinds of research questions that can be addressed and enhance the efficiency of conducting clinical research.
- Solicit feasibility study proposals that will test methods; activities to expand, broaden, and optimize existing approaches and can be generalized to the greater clinical research community.



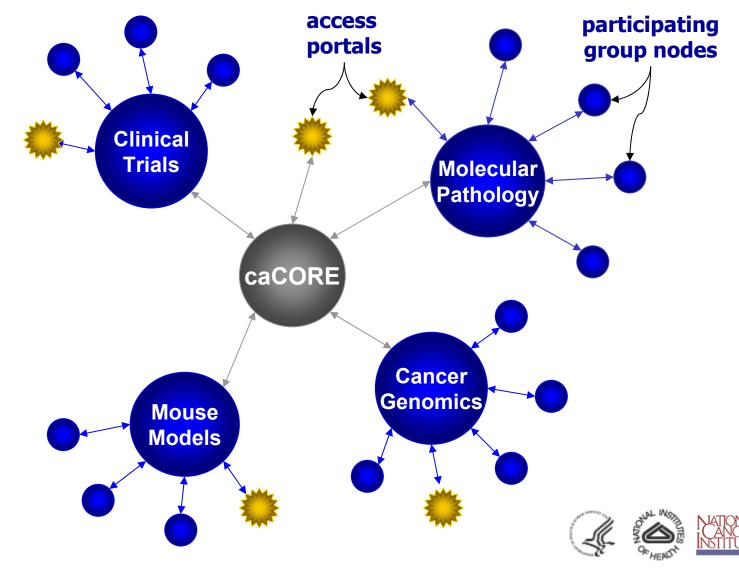
# **NCI biomedical informatics**

 Goal: A virtual web of interconnected data, individuals, and organizations redefines how research is conducted, care is provided, and patients/participants interact with the biomedical research enterprise





#### building common architecture, common tools, and common standards



Courtesy: Charlie Mead

# Interoperability

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 ability of a system...to use the parts or equipment of another system

Source: Merriam-Webster web site

### interoperability

ability of two or more systems or components to
 exchange information and to use the information that has been exchanged.

Source: IEEE Standard Computer Dictionary: A Compilation of IEEE Standard Computer Glossaries, IEEE, 1990]

Syntactic interoperability

Semantic interoperability



# caCORE – common ontologic representation environment

- Information integration
- Cross-discipline reasoning

biomedical objects

common data elements

controlled vocabulary





## **Enterprise Vocabulary**

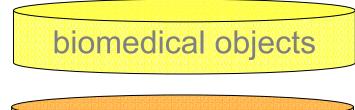
#### NCI Meta-Thesaurus

(Cross-map standard vocabularies/ontologies, e.g. SNOMED, MEDRA, ICD)

- Semantic integration, inter-vocabulary mapping
- UMLS Metathesaurus extended with cancer-oriented vocabularies
  - 800,000 Concepts, 2,000,000 terms and phrases
  - Mappings among over 50 vocabularies

#### NCI Thesaurus

- Description logic-based
- 18,000 "Concepts"
  - Concept is the semantic unit
  - One or more terms describe a Concept – synonymy
  - Semantic relationships between Concepts



common data elements

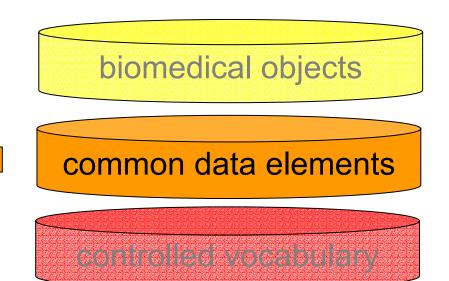






# **Common Data Elements**

- Structured data reporting elements (e.g. LOINC)
- ISO11179 compliant

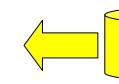






# **Biomedical Information Objects**

 Computer model of a biomedical object – "Plato's Forms"



#### biomedical objects

- capture properties of object
- can be joined together to make complex systems
- isolate data from data source
- isolate applications from data
- Examples:
  - HL7-RIM
  - MAGE-OM

common data elements controlled vocabulary



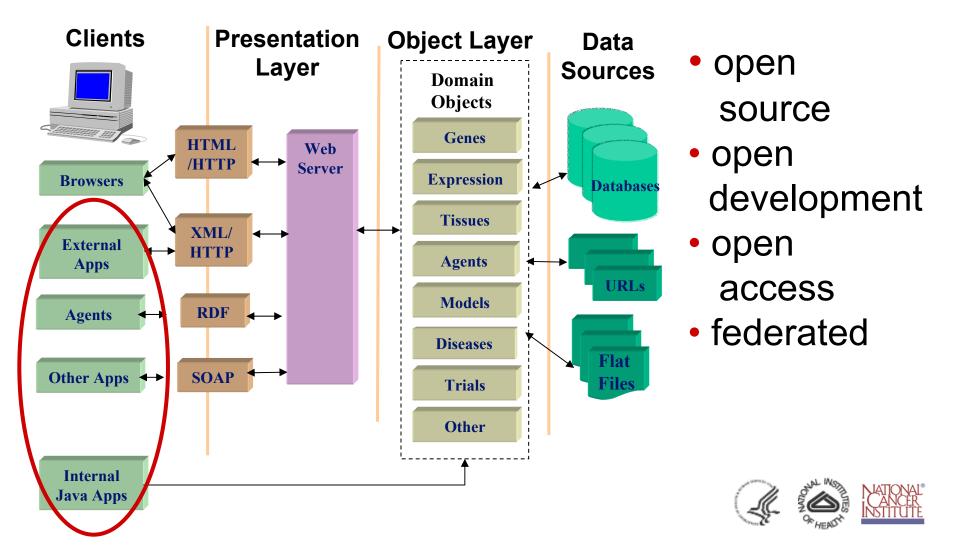
## **Standards Supporting Infrastructure**

- Enterprise Vocabulary Services (EVS)
- cancer Data Standards Repository (caDSR)
- cancer Bioinformatics Infrastructure Objects (caBIO)





## ...an open, sharing architecture



### caBIG Informatics Grid **Cancer Biomedical Informatics**

**Grid (caBIG)** 

Common, widely distributed infrastructure permits cancer research community to focus on innovation

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- Shared vocabulary, data elements, data models facilitate information exchange
- Collection of interoperable applications developed to common standard
- Raw published cancer research data is available for mining and integration



# caBIG action plan

Establish pilot network of Cancer Centers

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Informatics Grid

- Groups agreeing to caBIG principles
- Mixture of capabilities

caBIG

- Mixture of contributions
- Expanding collection of participants
- Establish consortium development process
  - Collecting and sharing expertise
  - Identifying and prioritizing community needs
  - Expanding development efforts
- Moving at the speed of the internet...





#### Three Domain Workspaces and two Cross Cutting Workspaces will be launched during the Pilot phase

DOMAIN WORKSPACE 1 Clinical Trial Management Systems Will address the need for consistent, open and comprehensive tools for clinical trials management.

DOMAIN WORKSPACE 2 Integrative Cancer Research Will provide tools and systems to enable integration and sharing of information.

DOMAIN WORKSPACE 3 Tissue Banks & Pathology Tools Will provide for the integration, development, and implementation of tissue and pathology tools.

Will be responsible for evaluating, developing, and integrating systems for vocabulary and ontology content, standards, and software systems for content delivery

Will develop architectural standards and provide architectural assistance as necessary to other workspaces.

CROSS CUTTING WORKSPACE 1 Vocabularies & Common Data Elements

CROSS CUTTING WORKSPACE 2 Architecture





# caBIG deliverables

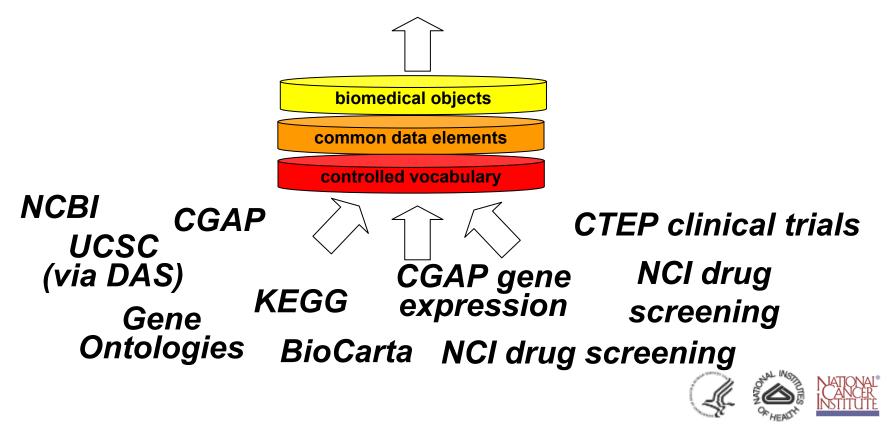
- Componentized, standards-based Clinical Trials Management System
  - e-IND filing/regulatory reporting with FDA
  - Electronic management of trials
  - Integration of diverse trials
- Tissue Management System
  - Systematic description and characterization of tissue resources
  - Ability to link tissue resources to clinical and molecular correlative descriptions
- "Plug and Play" analytic tool set
- Diverse library of raw, structured data

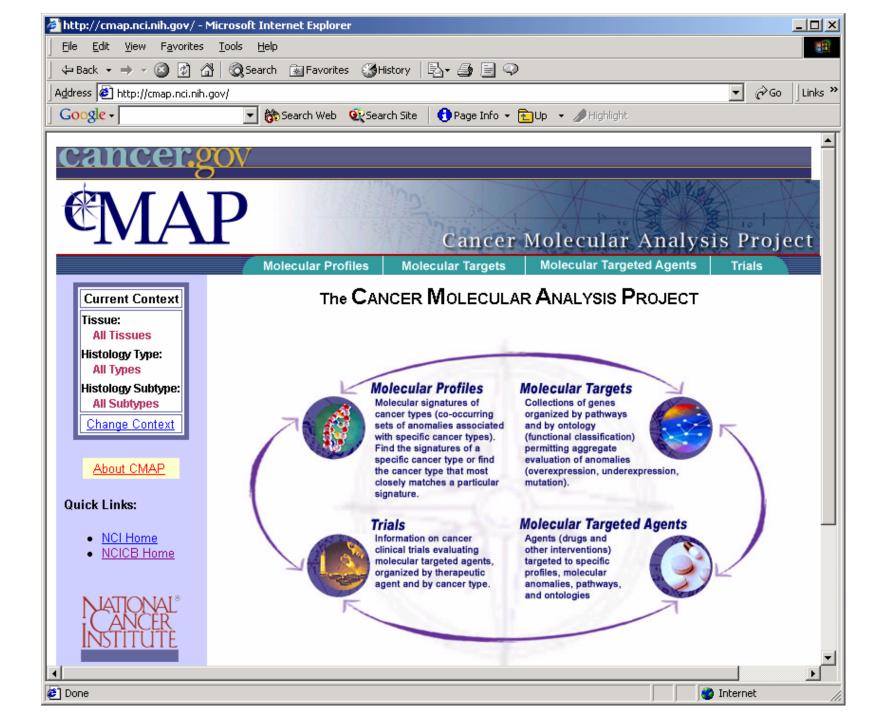


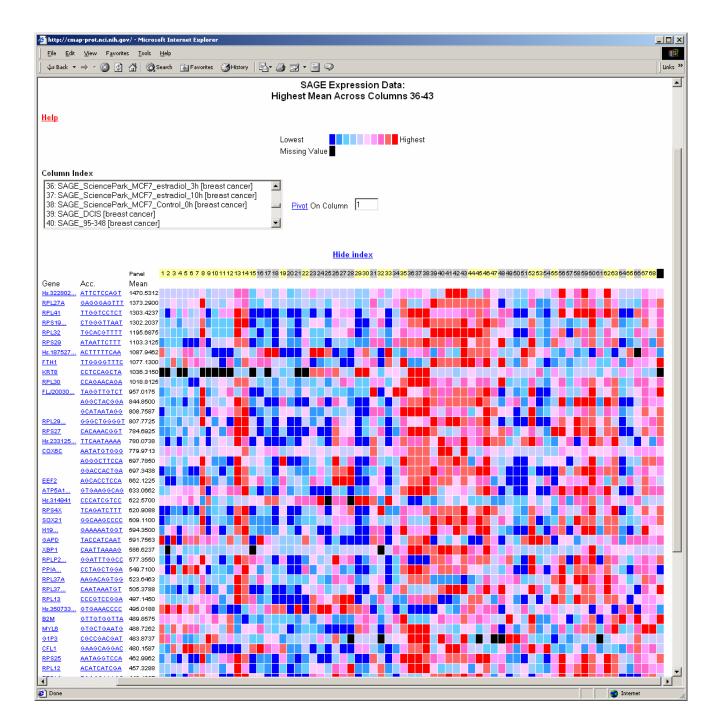


### Cancer Molecular Analysis Project (CMAP) - a prototypic biomedical data integration effort

Profiles, Targets, Agents, Clinical Trials









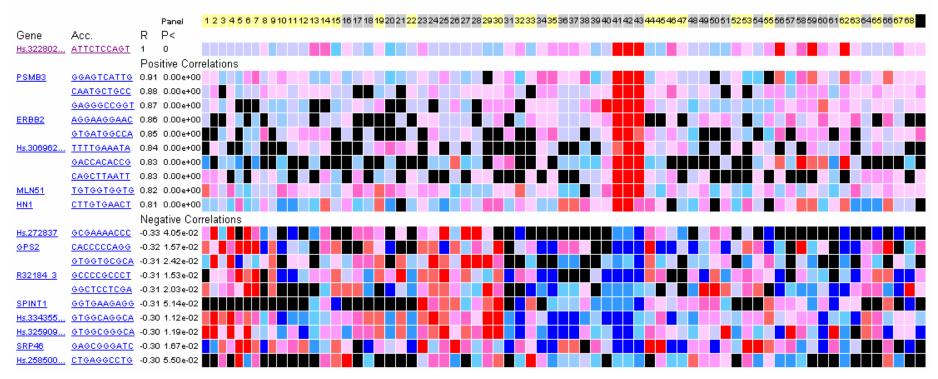
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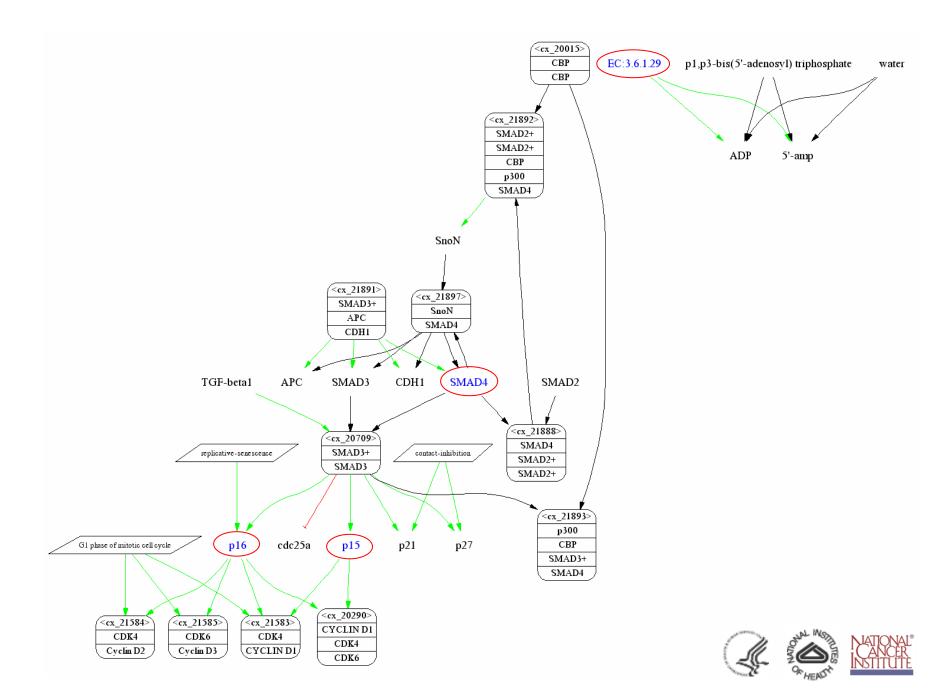
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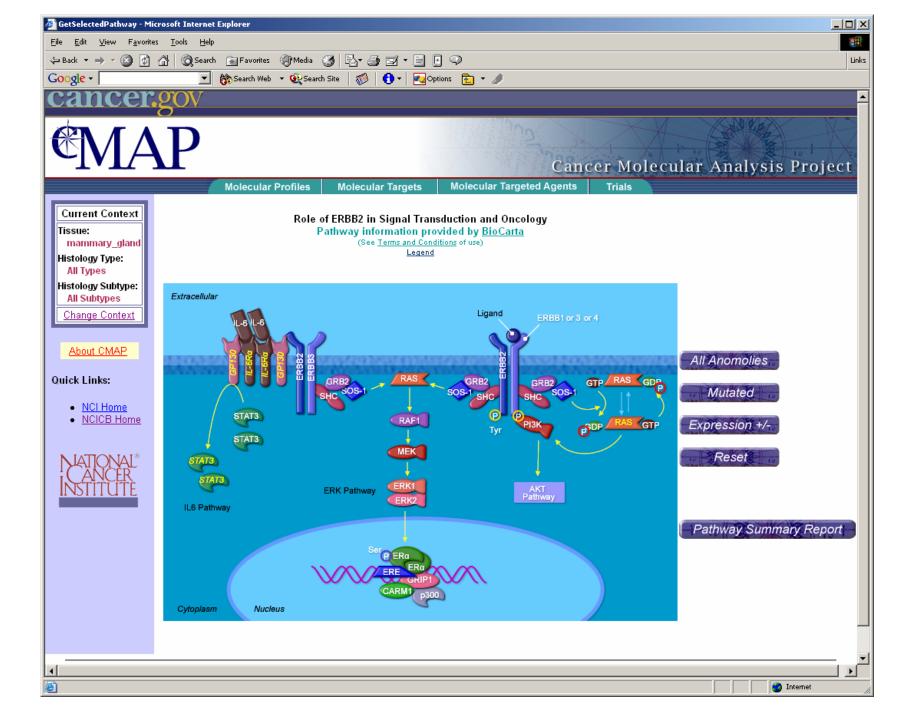
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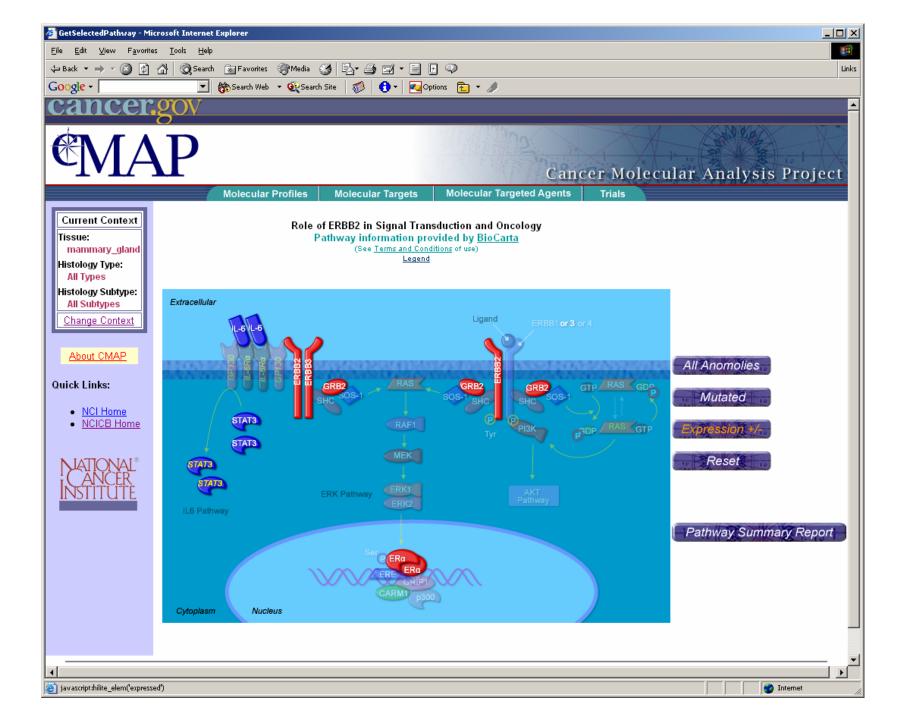
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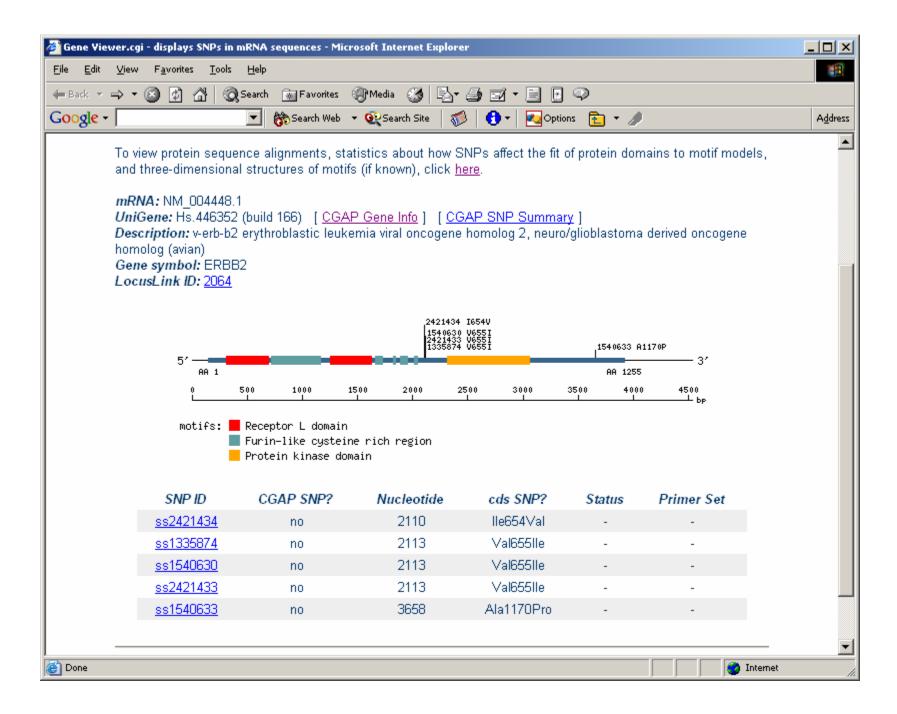
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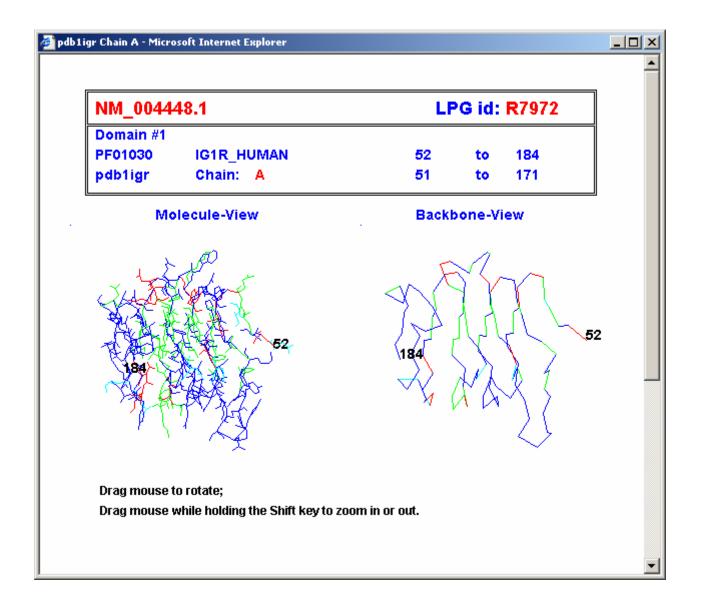




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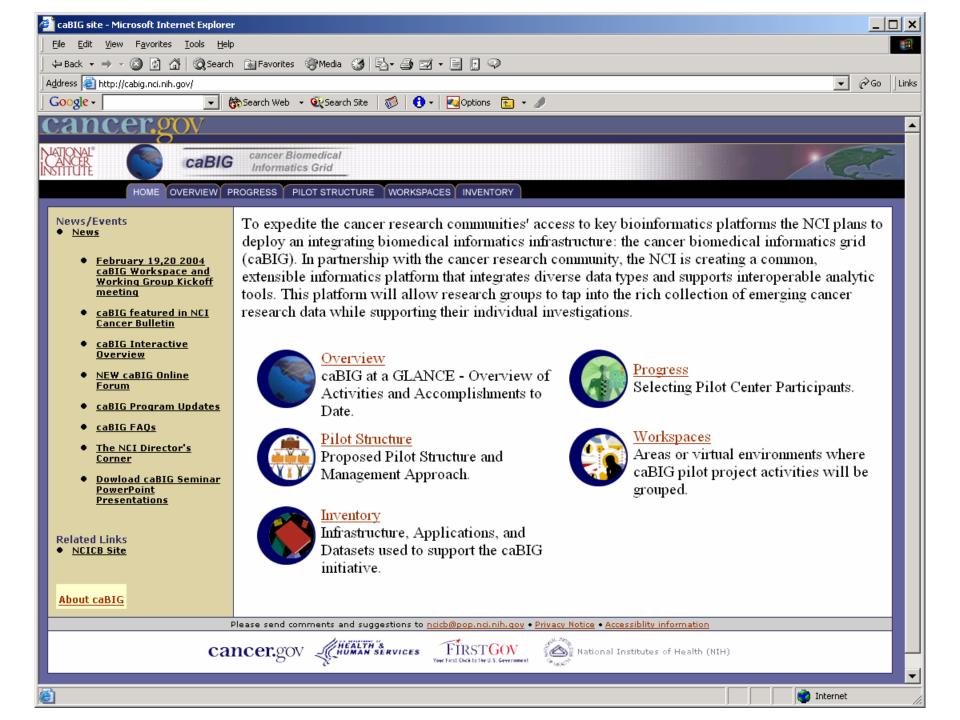
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- Ontologies
- Databases
- Applications
  - Clinical trials support
  - Analytic tools
  - Data mining

- Data
  - Trials
  - Experimental outcomes
    - Genomic
    - Microarray
    - Proteomic







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