

UK e-Science People & Data WWW Conference Edinburgh

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Overview

- **Brief History**
 - Investment, Engagement & Community
- **Present**
 - Projects, Activities & Technologies
 - Now & New
- **Future**
 - Usability & Abstraction
 - Interoperation & Federations

What is e-Science?

- **Goal: to enable better research in *all* disciplines**
- **Method: Develop *collaboration* supported by advanced distributed computation**
 - **to generate, curate and analyse rich data resources**
 - ▶ From experiments, observations and simulations
 - ▶ Quality management, preservation and reliable evidence
 - **to develop and explore models and simulations**
 - ▶ Computation and data at all scales
 - ▶ Trustworthy, economic, timely and relevant results
 - **to enable *dynamic* distributed collaboration**
 - ▶ Facilitating collaboration with information and resource sharing
 - ▶ Security, trust, reliability, accountability, manageability and *agility*

Commitment to e-Infrastructure

- **A shared resource**
 - That enables science, research, engineering, medicine, industry, ...
 - It will improve UK / European / ... productivity
 - ▶ Lisbon Accord 2000
 - ▶ e-Science Vision SR2000 - John Taylor
- **Commitment by UK government**
 - ▶ Sections 2.23-2.25
- **Always there**
 - ▶ c.f. telephones, transport, power

Science & innovation investment framework 2004 - 2014

July 2004

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department for
education and skills

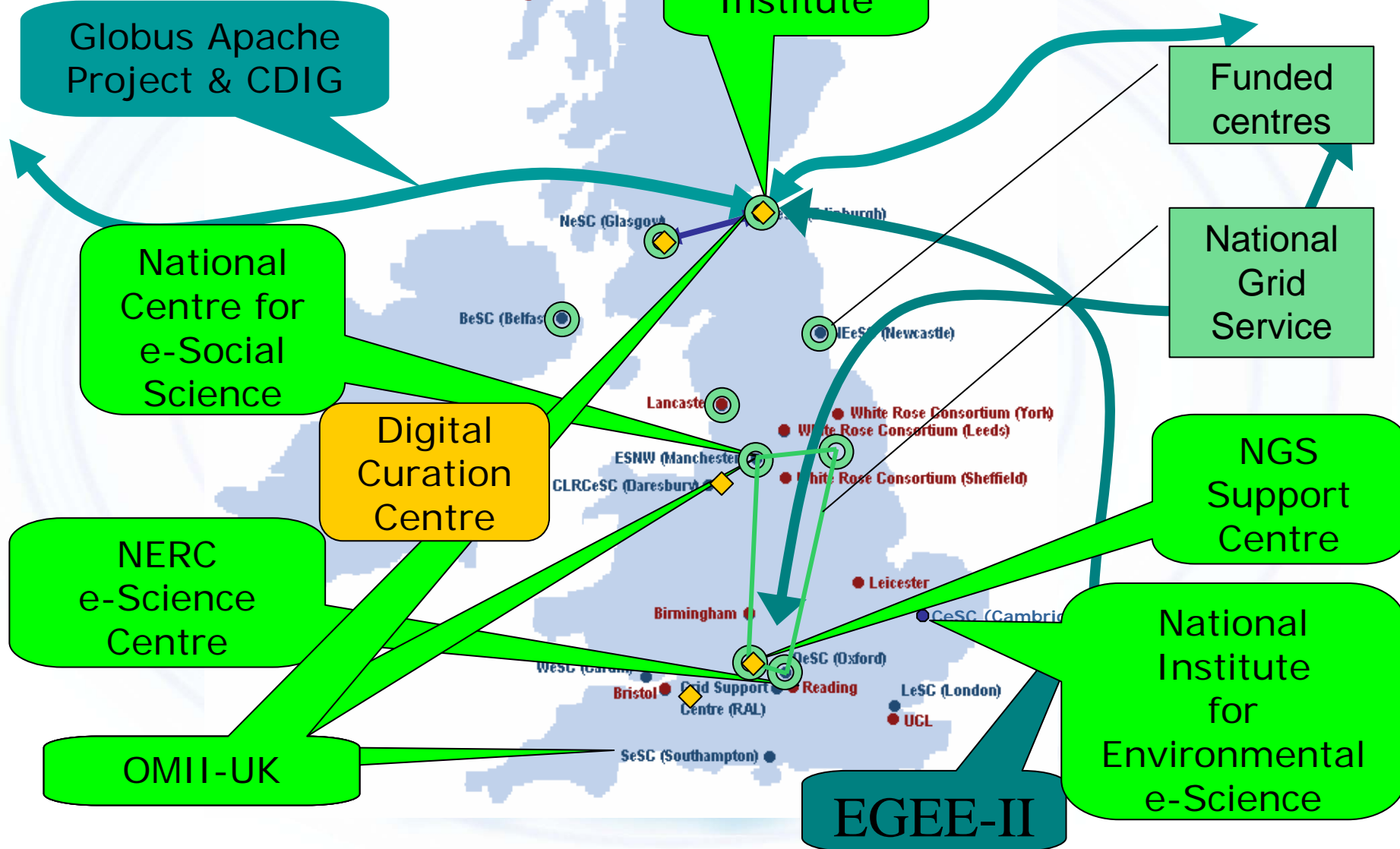


Gordon Brown
Chancellor of the
Exchequer

Charles Clarke
Secretary of State for
Education and Skills

Patricia Hewitt
Secretary of State for
Trade and Industry

The e-Science On The Map Today

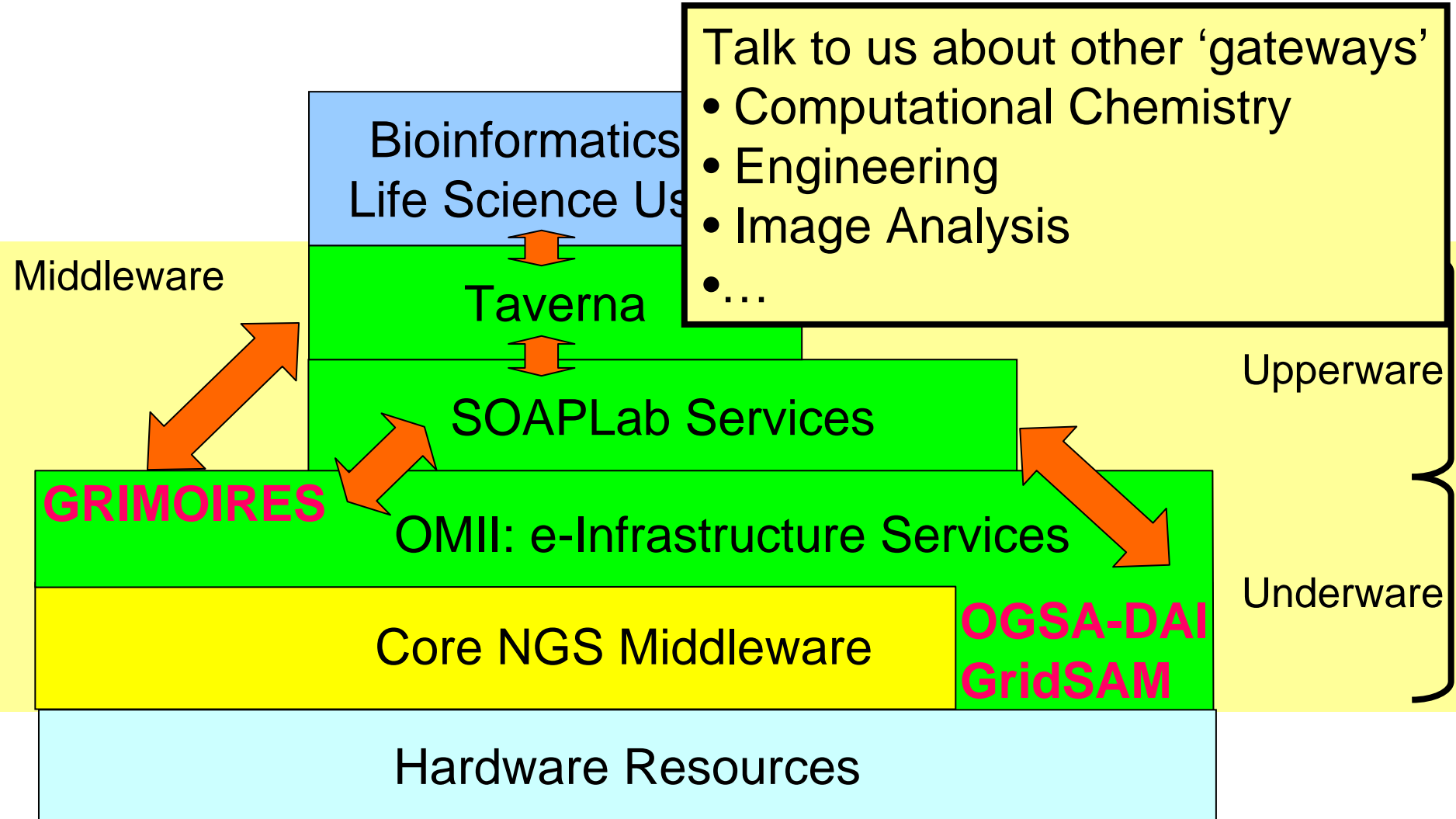


OMII-UK & National Grid Service: Life Sciences Gateway



Talk to us about other 'gateways'

- Computational Chemistry
- Engineering
- Image Analysis
- ...



The National Grid Service



Core sites

White Rose (Leeds)

Manchester

Oxford

CCLRC

Partner sites

Bristol

Cardiff

Lancaster

Access to HPC facilities

HPCx

CSAR

Capacity

300 + CPUs

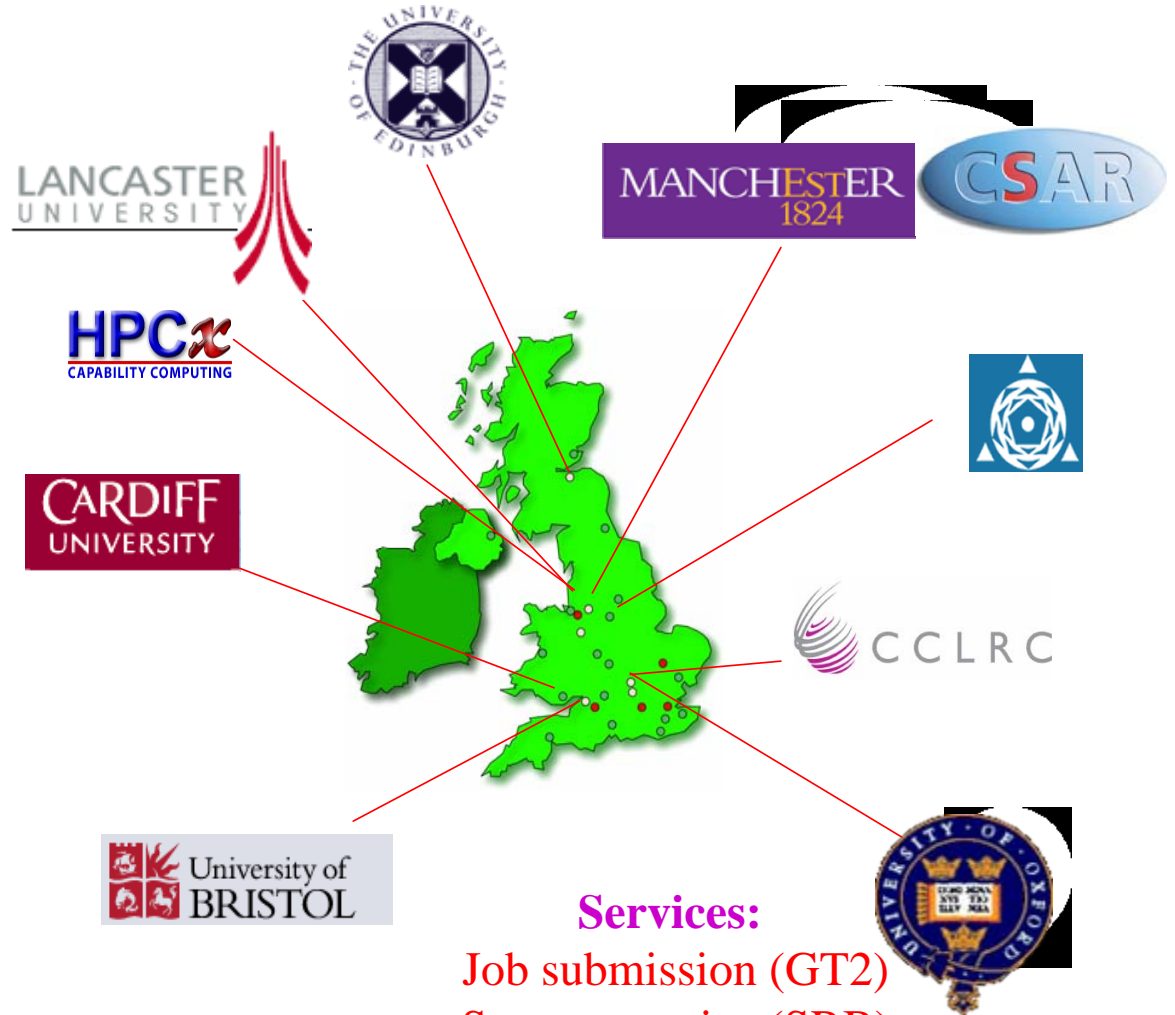
30+ Tera Bytes

Specialist facilities

Cardiff 4x16 proc SGI

Bristol: Intel

Lancaster SUN Cluster



Services:

Job submission (GT2)

Storage service (SRB)

Oracle Service

OGSA-DAI

About Grid Computing Now!

A Knowledge Transfer Network project funded by the DTI Technology Programme aimed at transferring knowledge about Grid Computing Technologies to Public and Private Sectors in the UK.

Partnership between Intellect, the UK Hi-Tech Trade Association; National e-Science Centre, a world leader in Grid Computing research; and CNR Ltd, a consultancy focused on SME organisations and business intermediaries.

Substantial number of industrial, business and academic partners

Website

- Background Information

- Industry News/Events

- User Case Studies

Events programme

- Technical Overviews

- Multiple vendor perspectives

- User Case Studies

Sector Agenda

- Healthcare; Government; Telecoms; Services; etc..

User Community

- Network with peers

- Find useful contacts

- Contribute experience

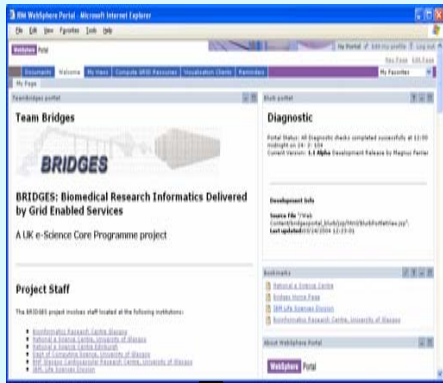
www.gridcomputingnow.org

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**Collaboration
is the key to
e-Science**

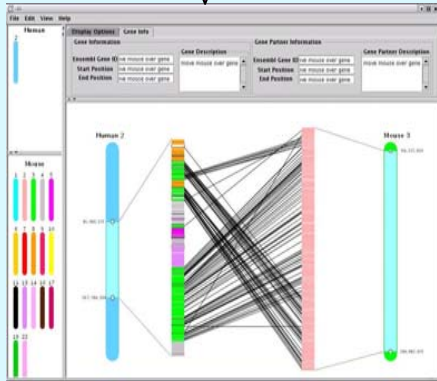
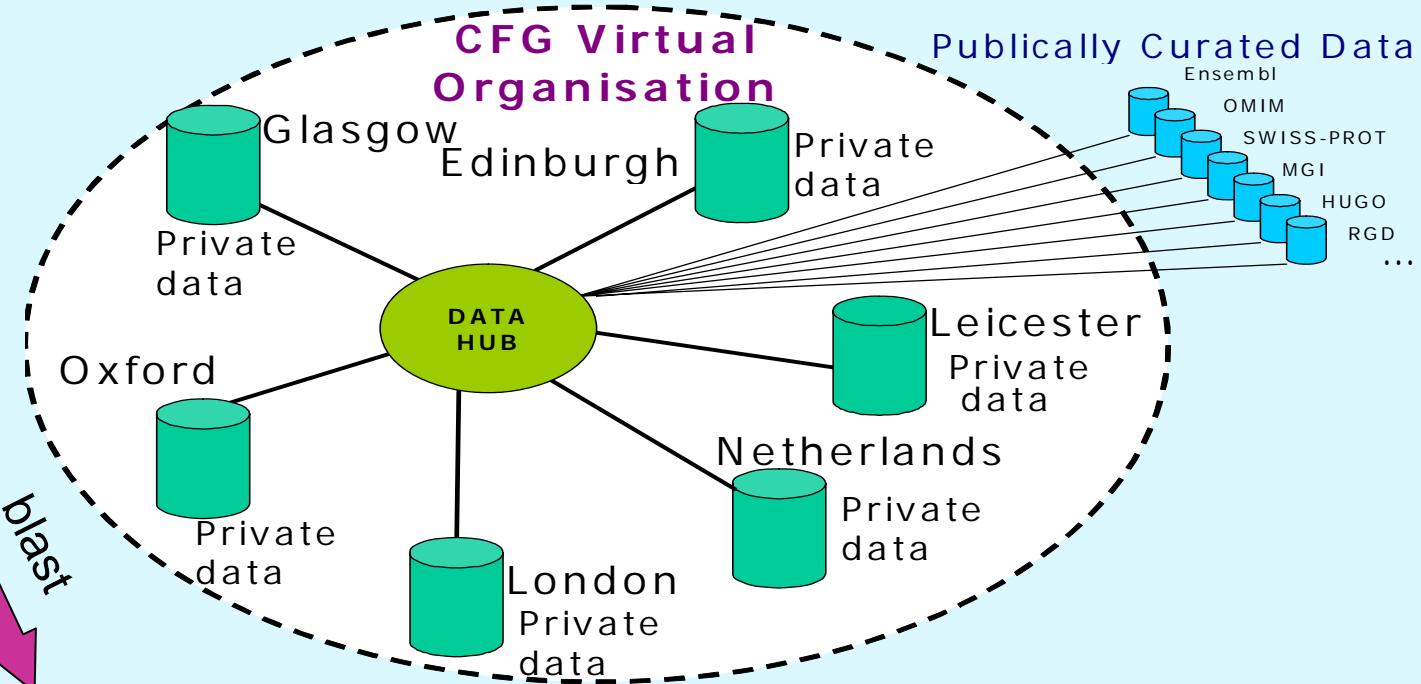
Biomedical Research Informatics Delivered by Grid Enabled Services

Portal



Synteny
Grid
Service

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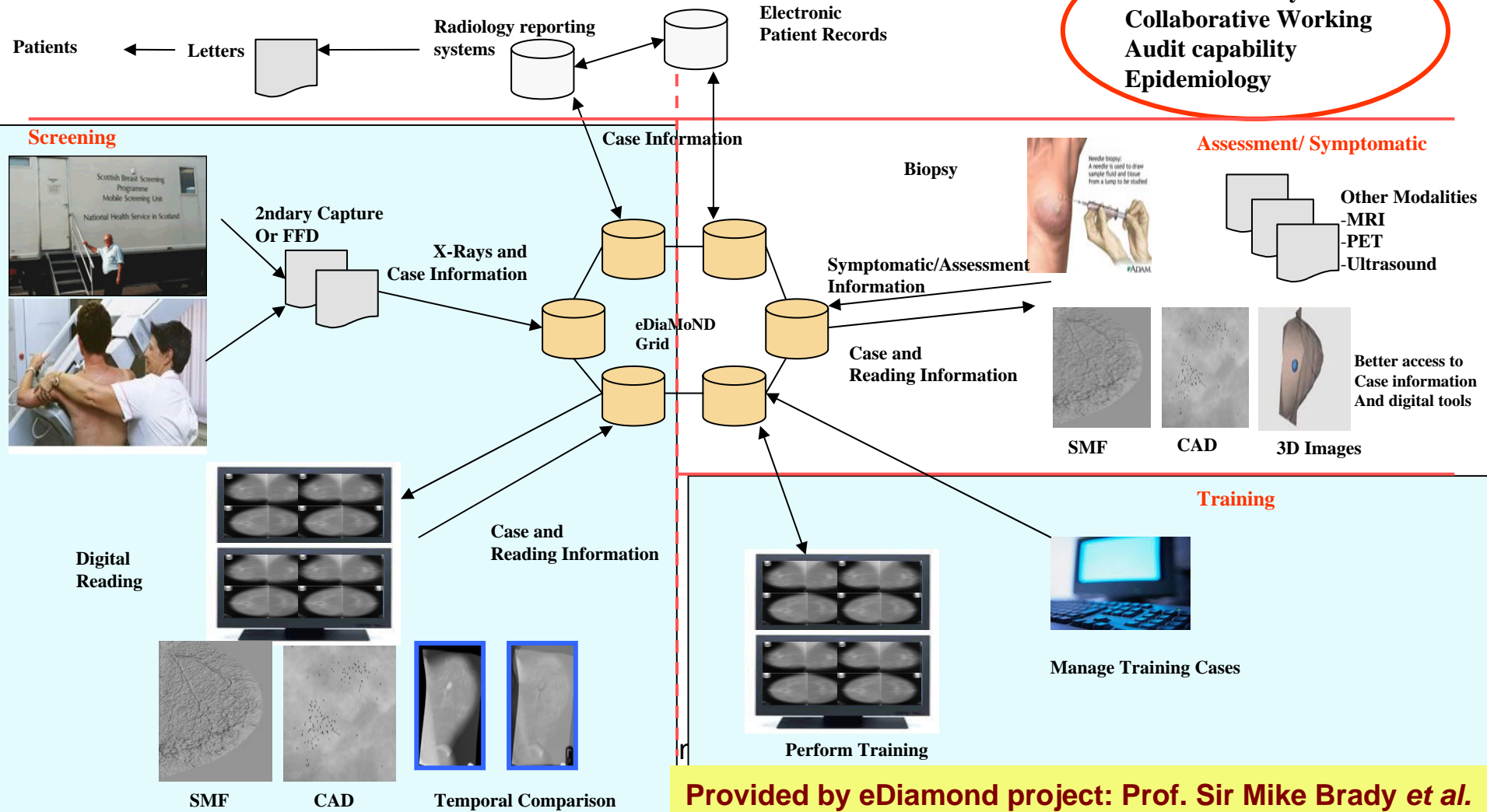


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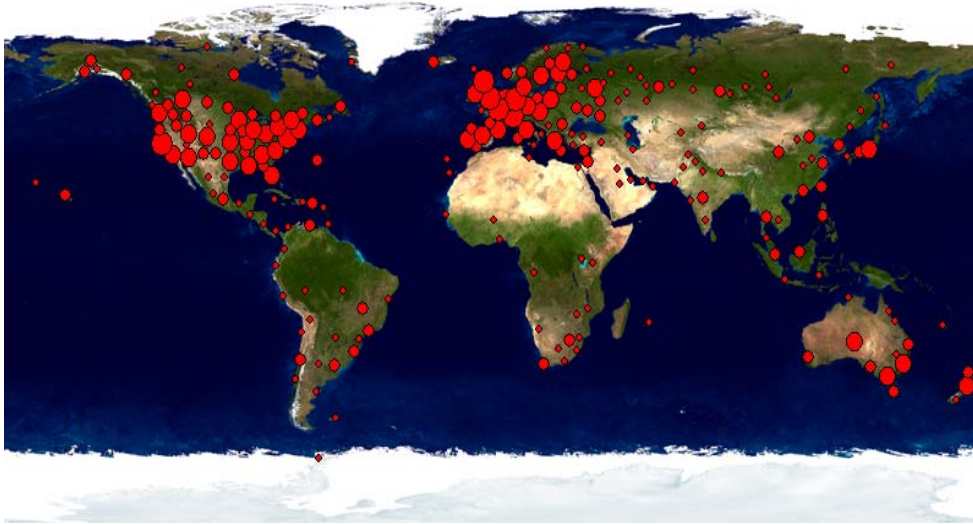


eDiaMoND: Screening for Breast Cancer

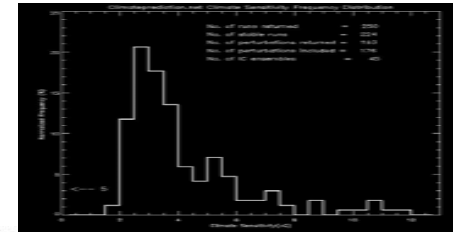
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 Collaborative Working
 Audit capability
 Epidemiology



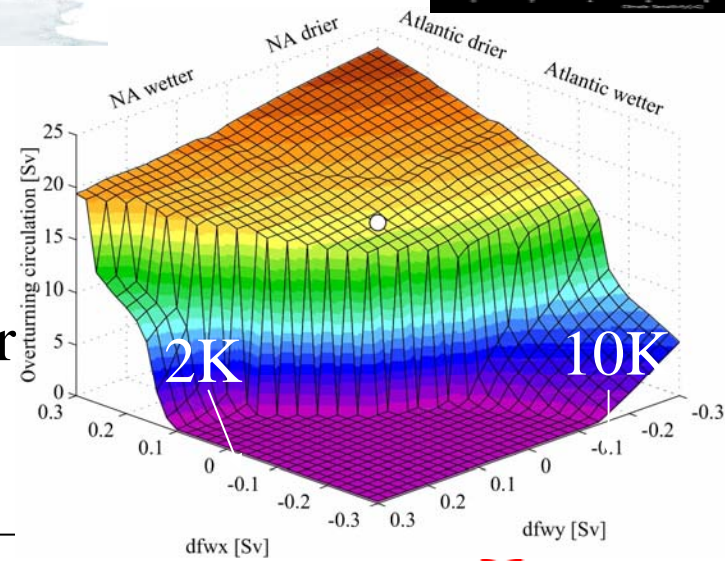
climateprediction.net and GENIE



- Largest climate model ensemble
- >45,000 users, >1,000,000 model years



Response of Atlantic circulation to freshwater forcing



Integrative Biology

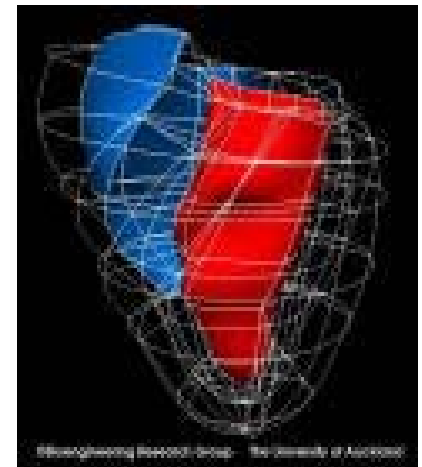
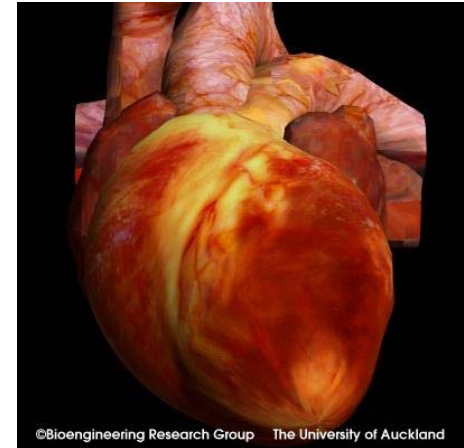
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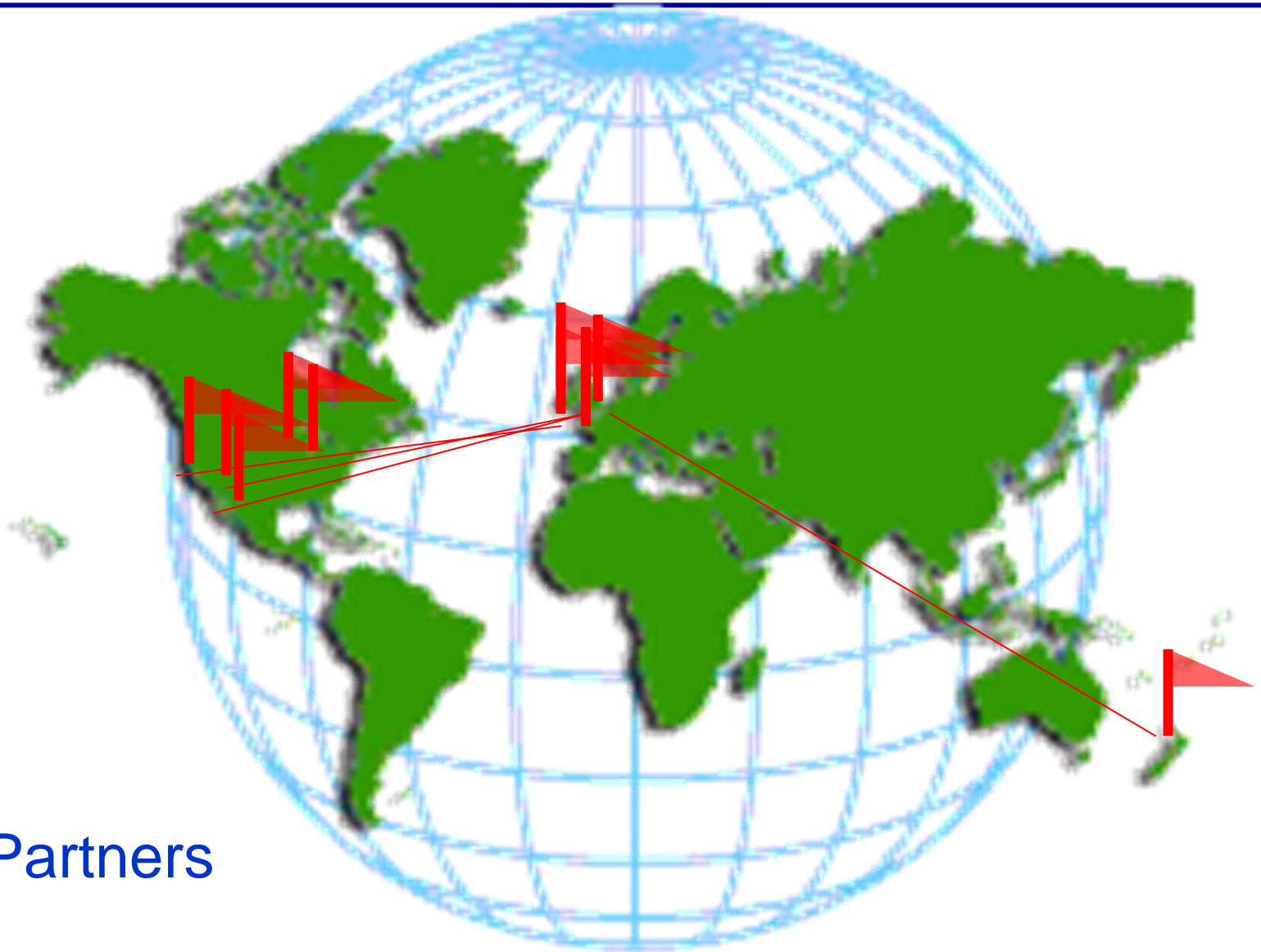
- **What causes heart disease?**
- **How does a cancer form and grow?**

Together these diseases cause 61% of all UK deaths

Will build a powerful, fault-tolerant Grid infrastructure for biomedical science

Enabling biomedical researchers to use distributed resources such as high-performance computers, databases and visualisation tools to develop complex models of how these killer diseases develop.





IB Partners

Foundations of Collaboration

- **Strong commitment by individuals**
 - To work together
 - To take on communication challenges
 - Mutual respect & mutual trust
- **Distributed technology**
 - To support information interchange
 - To support resource sharing
 - To support data integration
 - To support trust building
- **Sufficient time**
- **Common goals**
- **Complementary knowledge, skills & data**

New projects

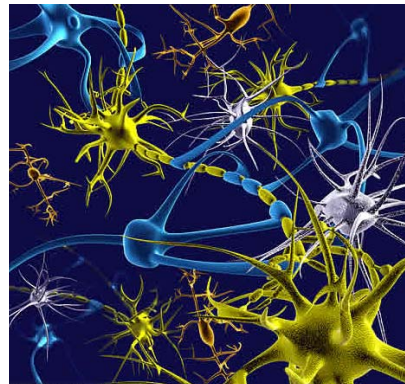
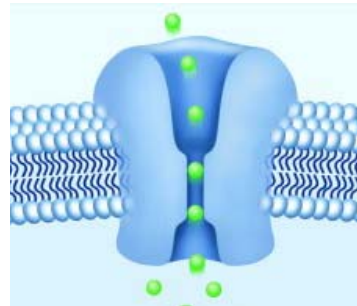
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e-Science

CARMEN - Scales of Integration



*Understanding the brain
may be the greatest
informatics challenge of
the 21st century*



- determining ion channel contribution to the timing of action potentials
- resolving the 'neural code' from the timing of action potential activity
- examining integration within networks of differing dimensions

CARMEN Consortium



Leadership & Infrastructure



UNIVERSITY OF
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE



Colin Ingram

north-east regional e-science centre



Paul Watson



UNIVERSITY OF
STIRLING



White Rose
university consortium
Universities of Leeds, Sheffield & York

THE UNIVERSITY of York

Leslie Smith

Jim Austin

CARMEN Consortium

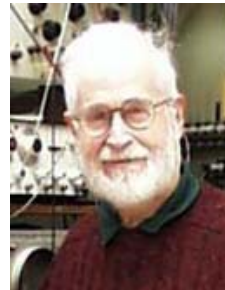


International Partners



Ad Aertsen
(Freiburg)

Neural network modelling
and large-scale simulations



George Gerstein
(Pennsylvania)

Analysis of spike pattern trains



Sten Grillner
(Karolinska Institute)

Chairman of the OECD,
International Neuroinformatics
Coordinating Facility



Shiro Usui
(RIKEN Brain Science Institute)

Lead for the Japan Node of the
International Neuroinformatics
Coordinating Facility



Daniel Gardner
(Cornell)

Lead for the US NIH,
Neuroscience Information
Framework and Brain ML

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Commercial Partners

AstraZeneca 



- applications in the pharmaceutical sector

Neuralynx
High Density Electrophysiology Recording Systems

- interfacing of data acquisition software

 **Microsoft**[®]

- application of infrastructure

CYBULA
high performance pattern recognition systems

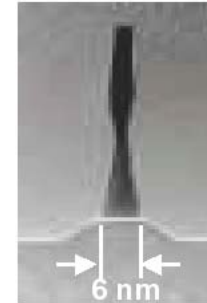
- commercialisation of tools



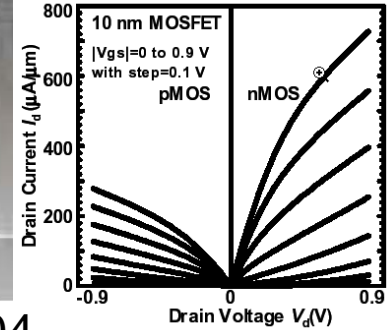
The Challenge

International Technology Roadmap for Semiconductors

Year	2005	2010	2015	2020
MPU Half Pitch (nm)	90	45	25	14
MPU Gate Length (nm)	32	18	10	6



2005 edition Toshiba 04

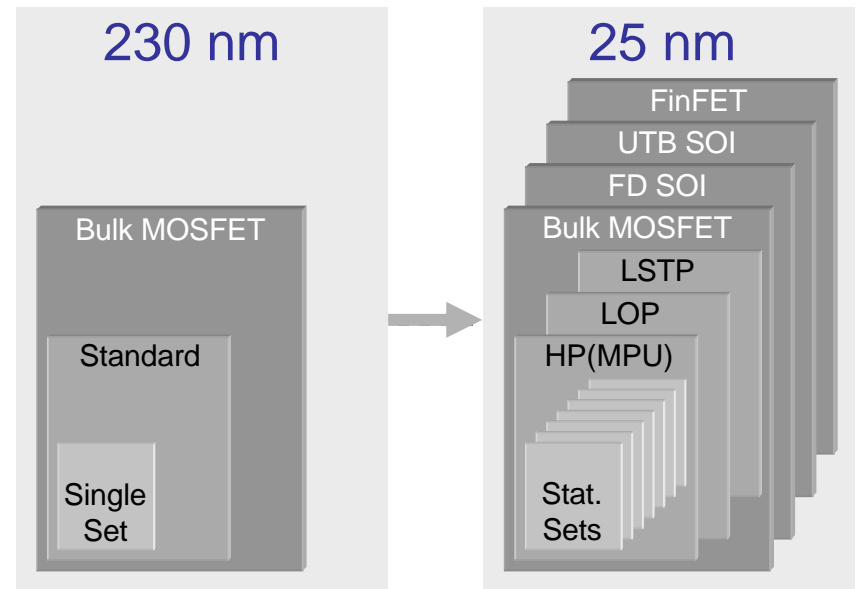
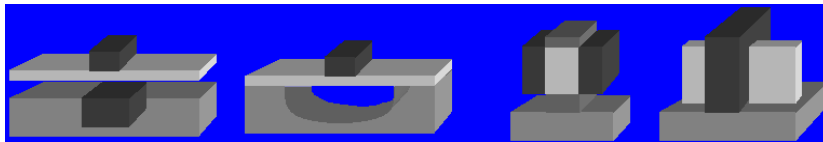


Device diversification

90nm: HP, LOP, LSTP

45nm: UTB SOI

32nm: Double gate





University Partners



Advanced Processor Technologies Group (APTGUM)



UNIVERSITY
of
GLASGOW

Device Modelling Group (DMGUG)



Electronic Systems Design Group (ESDGUS)



Intelligent Systems Group (ISGUY)



National e-Science Centre (NeSC)



UNIVERSITY
of
GLASGOW

Microsystems Technology Group (MSTGUG)



Mixed-Mode Design Group in IMNS (MMDGUE)



e-Science NorthWest Centre (eSNW)





Industrial Partners



Global EDS vendor and world TCAD leader

600 licences of grid implementation, model implementation

UK fabless design company and world microprocessor leader

Core IP, simulation tools, staff time



UK fabless design company and world mixed mode leader

Additional PhD studentship for mixed mode design



Global semiconductor player with strong UK presence

Access to technology, device data, processing



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Access to technology, device data, processing



Global semiconductor player with UK presence

CASE studentship, interconnects



Trade association of the microelectronics industry in the UK

Recruiting new industrial partners and dissemination



Next steps in e-Science

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Collaboration

- **Essential to assemble experts**

- Multi-discipline, Multi-organisation, Multi-national

- **Hard to achieve**

- Instinctive competition
- Trust slow to build
- Communication is difficult

} Address these issues

- **Requirements**

- Leadership
- Investment
- New culture
- Technology
- Cross commercial - academic boundaries

} Focus here

Towards Accessible e-Science

- **High-level tools**
 - Abstraction
 - Metadata-driven interpretation & guidance
 - Well-defined semantics
 - Automated data management is key
- **Convenient user-controlled composition**
 - Lego-brick convenience + Precision control
 - Understood by scientists, engineers, modellers, diagnosticians, ...
- **Responsibility & Credit**
 - Provenance tracking automated & understood
 - Culture developed for consortia and collaboration

Built on Dependable Infrastructure

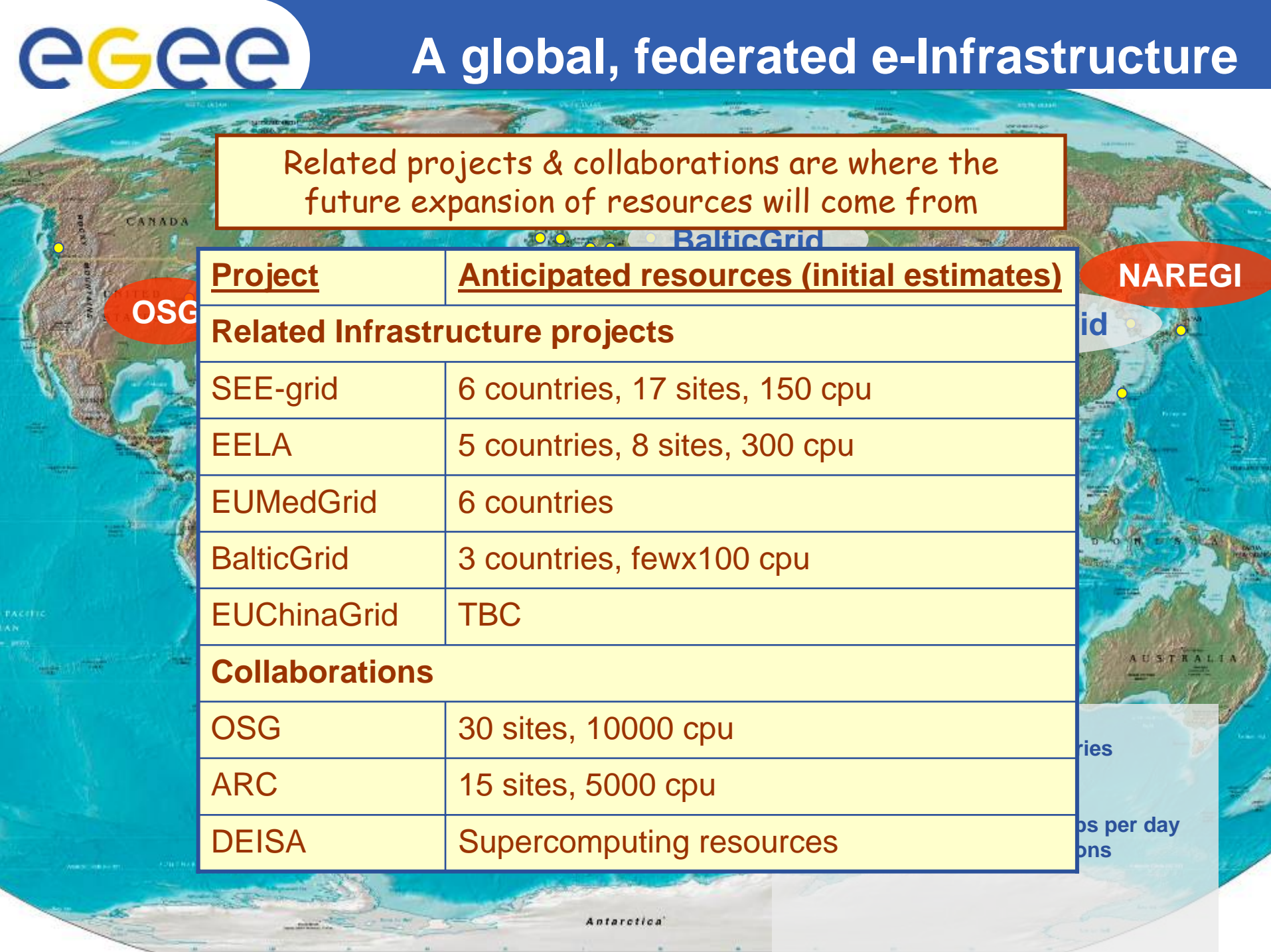
- **Global Federations**
 - Dependable and persistent facilities
 - Always there & always on
 - Consistent for mobile users
 - Consistent for mobile code & mobile information
- **Affordable e-Infrastructure**
 - Based on well-established standards
 - Based on well-honed operating procedures
 - Investment preserved through stability
 - Utility improved through agile development
- **Trustworthy management of information**

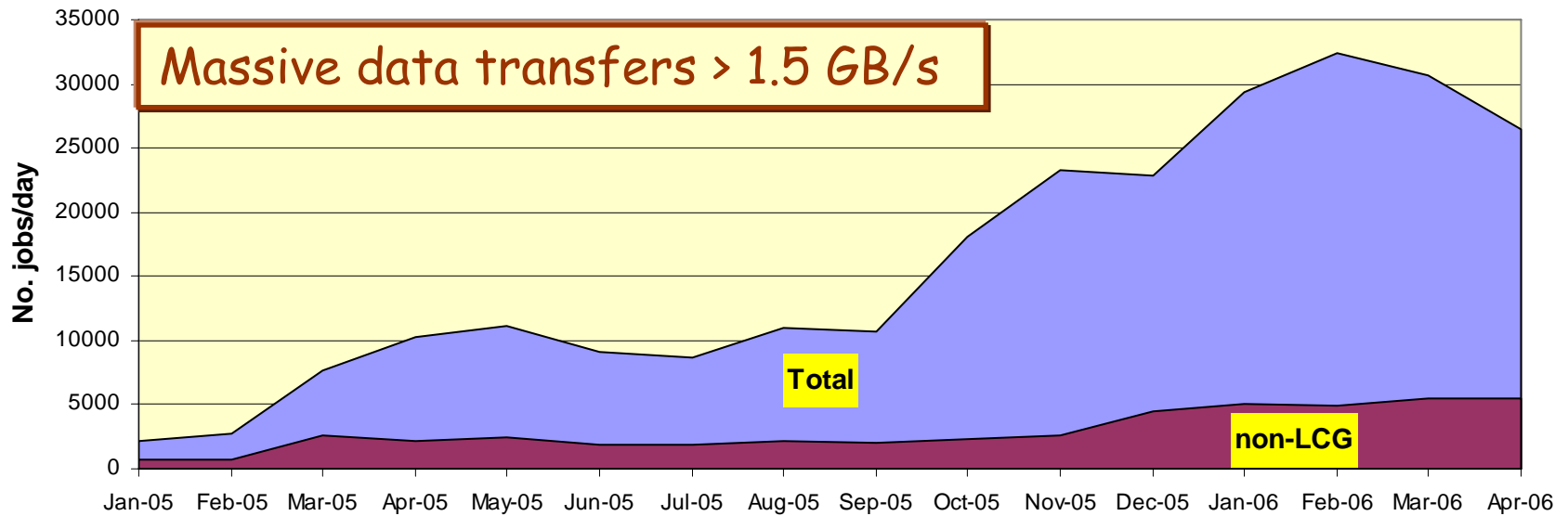
Related projects & collaborations are where the future expansion of resources will come from

<u>Project</u>	<u>Anticipated resources (initial estimates)</u>
Related Infrastructure projects	
SEE-grid	6 countries, 17 sites, 150 cpu
EELA	5 countries, 8 sites, 300 cpu
EUMedGrid	6 countries
BalticGrid	3 countries, fewx100 cpu
EUChinaGrid	TBC
Collaborations	
OSG	30 sites, 10000 cpu
ARC	15 sites, 5000 cpu
DEISA	Supercomputing resources

NAREGI

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ops per day
ons





Sustained & regular workloads of >30K jobs/day

- spread across full infrastructure
- doubling/tripling in last 6 months - no effect on operations

Statistics:

Submitted:	617	■
Waiting:	85	■
Ready:	846	■
Scheduled:	9566	■
Running:	12166	■
Done:	6427	■
Aborted:	3184	■
Cancelled:	89	■
Active Sites:	156 : 33963	



Invest in People

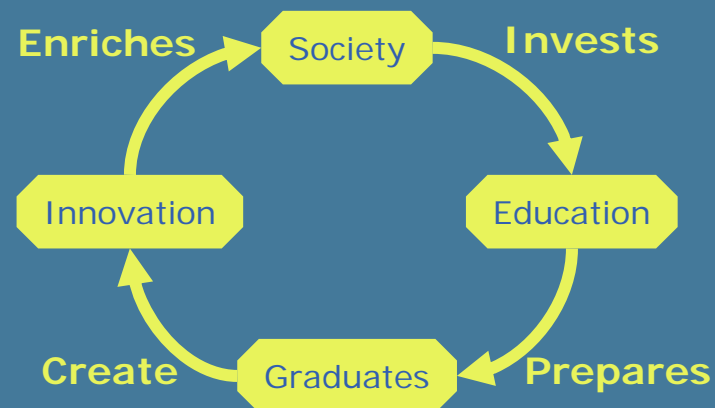
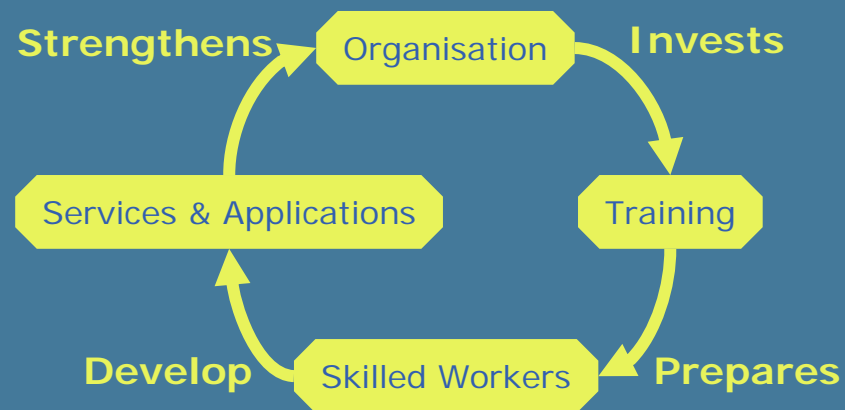
- **Training**

- Targeted
- Immediate goals
- Specific skills
- Building a workforce

- **Education**

- Pervasive
- Long term and sustained
- Generic conceptual models
- Developing a culture

- **Both are needed**



Take Home Message

- **UK e-Science**
 - Has delivered innovation and scientific results
 - Has e-Infrastructure & support in place
 - Works with industry & generates new businesses
 - Has a thriving community
- **UK e-Science is ready for more**
 - New, intellectually challenging projects
 - Collaboration will make this possible
- **Collaboration is a Key Issue**
- **Trustworthy data sharing key for collaboration**
 - Plenty of opportunities for research and innovation