



# THE AGAVE PLATFORM

SCIENCE AS A SERVICE FOR THE OPEN  
SCIENCE COMMUNITY

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# THE EVOLUTION OF A CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE



HPC systems have grown up since then and become much more powerful and sophisticated



*But an unexpected thing happened...*

Once upon a time, most of us built garage-style clusters...



*Modern academic data centers were built upon a foundation of:*

- HPC
- Visualization
- Support

*To support cutting edge computational science.*





# WORKFLOWS NOW TECHNICALLY COMPLICATED

## LANGUAGES

- Python 2 & 3
- R
- Julia
- Perl
- Matlab
- Java
- Scala, Clojure, etc
- .NET
- C++
- Swift
- Haskell
- Go
- Javascript

## FRAMEWORKS

- MapReduce Hadoop, Storm, Pachyderm
- Event & Streaming: Kinesis, Azure Stream Analytics, Camel, Streambase
- Deep/Machine Learning: Watson, Azure BI, Tensorflow
- In-memory parsing: Kognito, Apache Spark
- New data warehouse: Snowflake
- Containers: Docker, Rocket, MESOS, Kubernetes
- Cloud: AWS, GCE, OpenStack, VMWare

## HARDWARE

- Rise of many-core computing means 50-100 threads/node\*
- Xeon / Xeon Phi
- GPU
- OpenPower
- ARM
- Multi-level memory architectures
- Hierarchical storage architectures
- FPGAs

# DIVERSE DISTRIBUTED RESEARCH TEAMS



**Mike**

- Computing novice
- Works remotely at partner site



**Eliza**

- Masters specific analysis skills
- Readily adopts new tech



**Paulo**

- Staff computational expert
- Supports multiple projects

**Nikolaidas Group**

- Mostly experimentalists
- Strict data sharing & access



**Roshan**

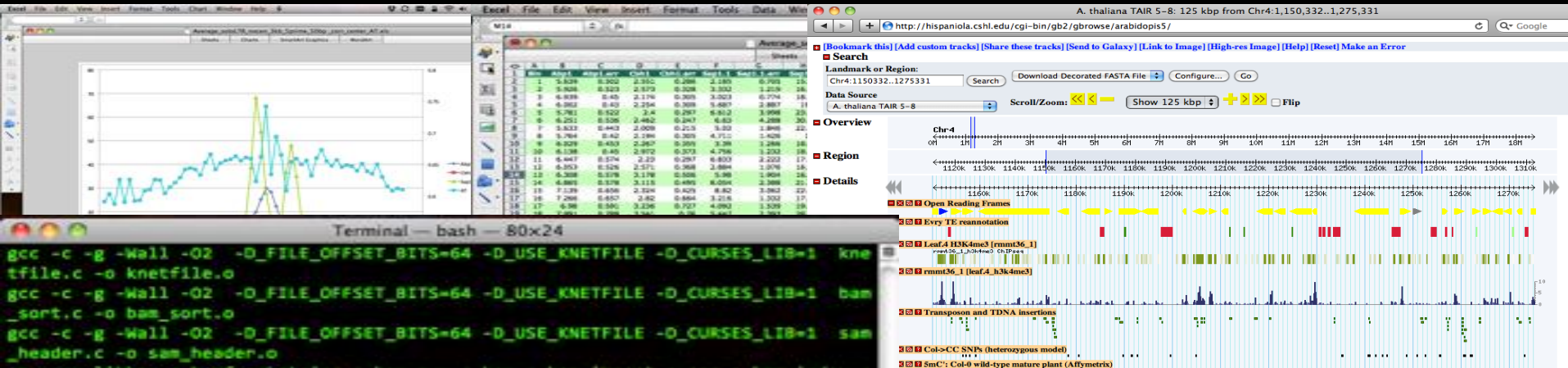
- Computationally experienced
- Focused on interpretation

# HOW DO WE HELP RESEARCHERS WITH SUCH DIVERSE NEEDS AND BACKGROUNDS?

## Why Agave Was Built

- We used to build big HPC systems and pat ourselves on the back. But the world changed and we had to as well. More iron wasn't the answer.
- We started building software. We realized we couldn't build bespoke solutions for everyone.
- We tried building portals. That would never scale.
- We tried enhancing and providing notebooks and "environments" online. Those were popular, but people outgrew those solutions.
- We tried giving them VMs with entire stacks on them. That went well, but people needed to leverage things other than VMs.
- What conversations always led to was that they wanted the kind of access our in-house devs had. They wanted cheat codes.
- Now we build APIs so they could level up their science. Those APIs are what we now call Agave.

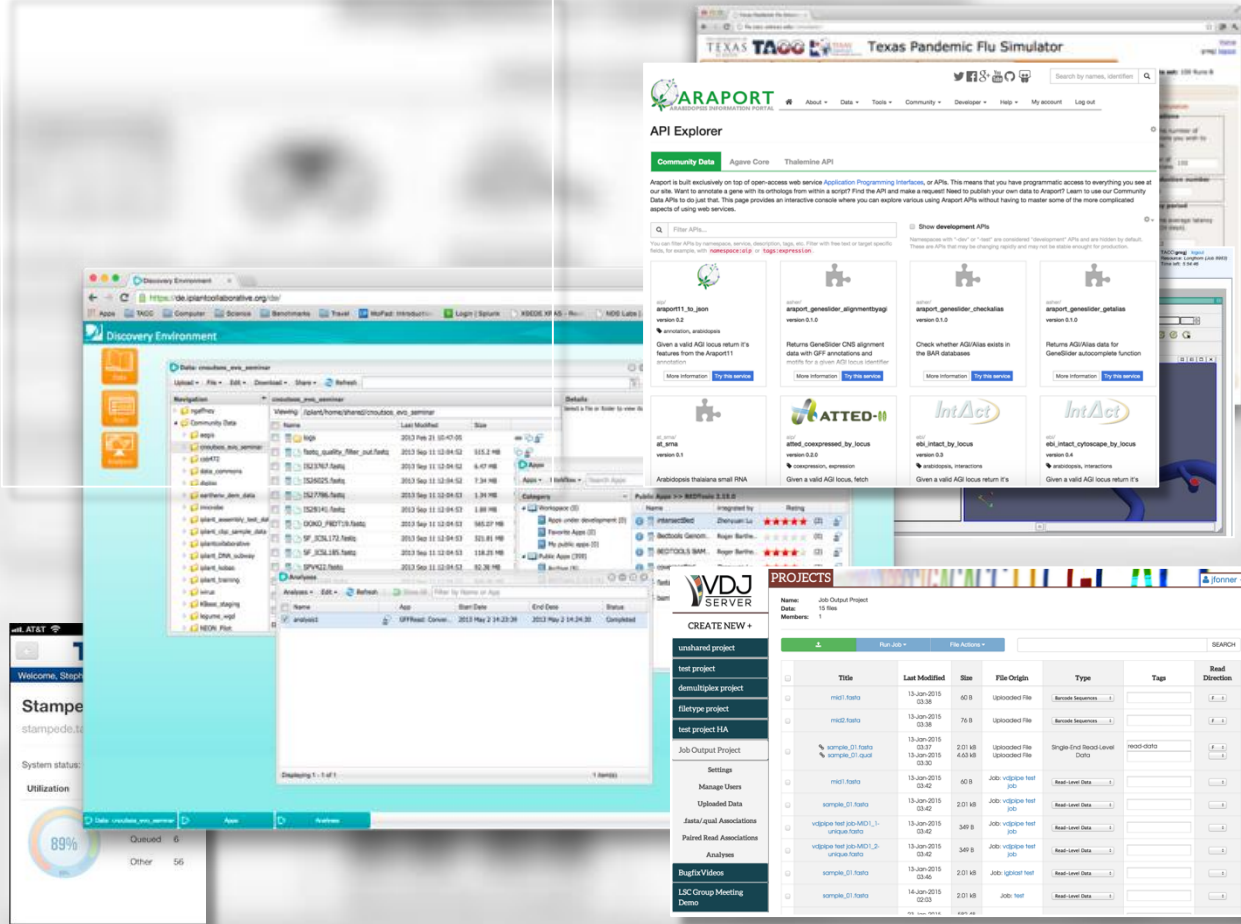




MANY DOMAIN SCIENTISTS ARE NOT EXPERTS AT COMPUTING TECHNOLOGY.  
CREATE PURPOSE-BUILT, HIGHLY INTUITIVE INTERFACES







## Point-and-click interfaces

- Data management, sharing, and analysis
- Publishing reproducible analysis workflows
- Discovery of new or updated tools and data
- Interactive visualization of results

Backed by world-class computing and data capacity



GIVE EXPERTS ACCESS TO EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOUR BUILDING BLOCKS.  
WEB SERVICE APIs EVERYWHERE. AUGMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TOOLING.



The logo features a stylized agave plant with multiple long, thin leaves fanning out to the left. To the right of the plant, the word "Agave" is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below "Agave", the word "Platform" is written in a smaller, regular, sans-serif font.

# Agave Platform

AGAVE IS A MULTI-TENANT PAAS  
DELIVERING **SCIENCE-AS-A-SERVICE** SOLUTIONS  
IN *HYBRID* COMPUTATIONAL ENVIRONMENTS

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# BRIDGE BUILDING



# OPEN SOURCE WITH FLEXIBLE DEPLOYMENT



Cloud  
Deployment

- Use your existing IdP
- White-label docs & tools
- Ansible for automation
- Pluggable logging
- Pluggable monitoring
- Managed or self-hosted
- Consulting available



On-Premise  
Deployment

- Use your existing IdP
- White-label docs & tools
- Ansible for automation
- Pluggable logging
- Pluggable monitoring
- Managed or self-hosted
- Consulting available



Hybrid  
Deployment

- Use your existing IdP
- White-label docs & tools
- Ansible for automation
- Pluggable logging
- Pluggable monitoring
- Managed or self-hosted
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# WHAT DOES IT DO?

MANAGE  
DATA



RUN  
CODE



COLLABORATE  
ANYWHERE



CONNECT  
ANYTHING

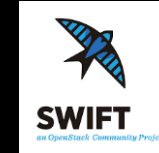
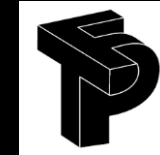




# AGAVE HELPS YOU MANAGE DATA

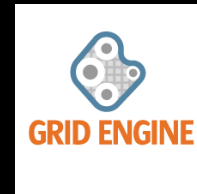
- ▶ Single, consistent interface to access distributed data
  - Agave “files” commands work on object stores as well as linux clusters
- ▶ Managed, tenacious data movement
  - Will retry on failure
- ▶ Opinion-free metadata management
  - Name/value pairs
- ▶ Full provenance and searchable audit trail.
- ▶ Events, alerts, and notifications
- ▶ Horizontal scaling

SFTP



# AGAVE HELPS YOU RUN CODE

- ▶ Bring your own code and/or leverage our catalog
- ▶ Run your apps as interactive, batch, or event driven processes
- ▶ Full lifecycle management
- ▶ Full provenance and searchable audit trail
- ▶ Reproducibility as a feature
- ▶ Publish entire experimental runs



# AGAVE HELPS YOU COLLABORATE MEANINGFULLY

- ▶ Fine-grained access control
- ▶ Deep link to any resource in the API
- ▶ Pre-authenticated disposable links
- ▶ Alerts and notifications into existing apps
- ▶ Web standards come standard
- ▶ Integrations with popular frameworks and cloud services



express

django



# AGAVE HELPS YOU INTEGRATE ANYWHERE

- ▶ Events, crons, monitors, and polling to stay informed
- ▶ Webhooks, web sockets, and custom vendor integrations to integrate with the world around you
- ▶ OAuth2, OIDC, and service accounts
- ▶ Self-service API Management
- ▶ Data mediation as a service
  - Can transform data formats
  - Access DBs, spreadsheets, etc.
- ▶ Support for enterprise IoT solutions



# GROCERY STORE APPROACH

- Take what you want
- Leave the rest
- Self-paced
- No lock-in




# Agave Tooling

# TOOLS THAT FIT YOUR TOOLBELT

- Client SDK: Python, JavaScript, Java, PHP, *Perl*, *R*
- Command Line Interface
- Plugins: AngularJS, Wordpress, Drupal, Tomcat
- Web applications (ToGo)
- Integrated environments (Jupyter Hub)
- Workflow management (End of Day)



# DEVELOPER FRIENDLY DOCUMENTATION



## Introduction

The Agave Platform (<http://agaveapi.co>) is an open source, science-as-a-service API platform for powering your digital lab. Agave allows you to bring together your public, private, and shared high performance computing (HPC), high-throughput computing (HTC), Cloud, and Big Data resources under a single, web-friendly REST API.

- Run code
- Manage data
- Collaborate meaningfully
- Integrate anywhere

The Agave documentation site contains documentation, guides, tutorials, and lots of examples to help you build your own digital lab.

If you came here looking for a UI to interact with the platform and kick the tires, please see our reference web application, Agave ToGo, at <http://togo.agaveapi.co/>.

## Conventions

Throughout the documentation you will regularly encounter the following variables. These represent user-specific values that should be replaced when attempting any of the calls using your account. Once you log into this site, these values will be replaced with values appropriate for you to use when copying and pasting the examples on your own.

Variable	Description	Example
\$(API_HOST)	Base hostname of the API	public.agaveapi.co
\$(API_VERSION)	Version of the API	v2

cURL

CLI

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```

URL

Token

http://docs.agaveplatform.org/v2-

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GET

/apps/v2/

public

false

name

executionSystem

tags

filter

\*

RESPONSE SAMPLE

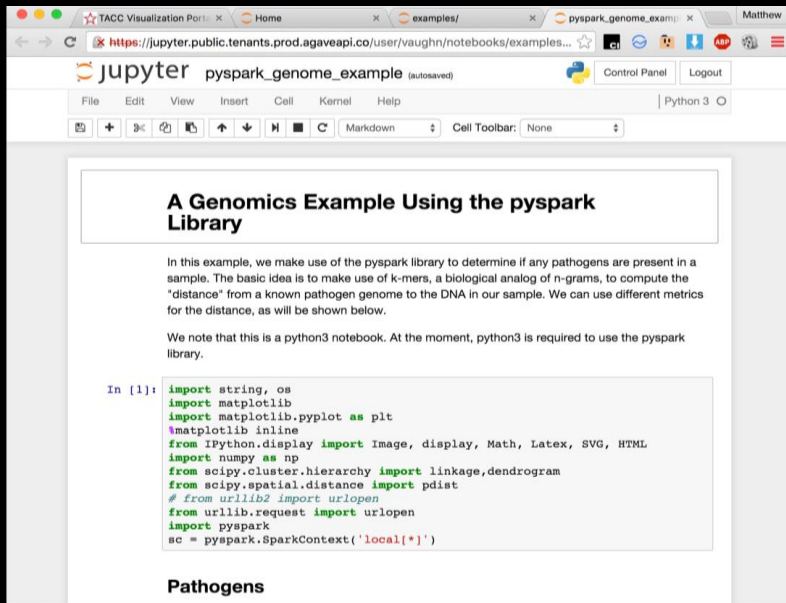
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{
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  "execut ionSystem": "string",
  "lastModified": "2017-11-04T10:02:58.543Z",
  "name": "12345",
  "isPublic": true,
  "revision": 0,
  "shortDescription": "string",
  "version": "string"
}
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RESPONSE SCHEMA

Developer guides

Interactive API browser

# COPY AND PASTE OR GIT CLONE

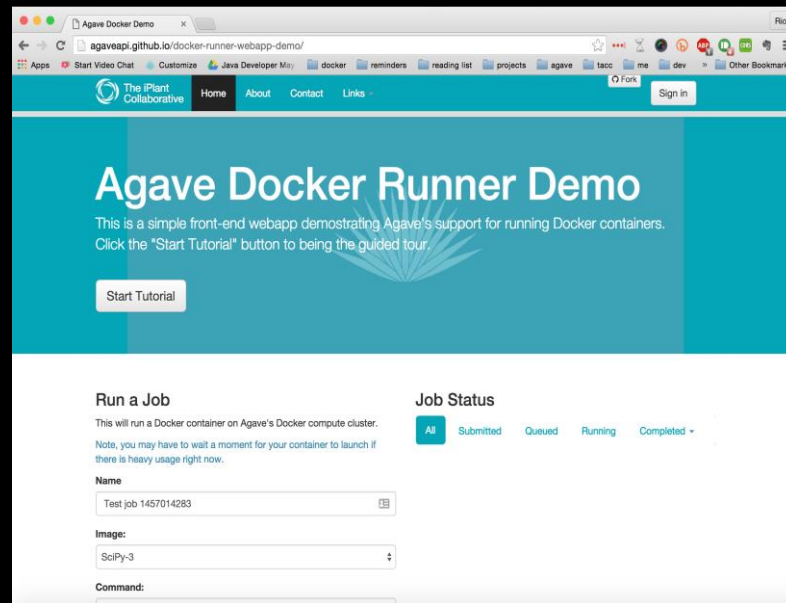


The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface in a web browser. The title is "A Genomics Example Using the pyspark Library". The text describes using the pyspark library to determine if any pathogens are present in a sample. Below the text is a code cell with the following Python code:

```
In [1]: import string, os
import matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
from IPython.display import Image, display, Math, Latex, SVG, HTML
import numpy as np
from scipy.cluster.hierarchy import linkage, dendrogram
from scipy.spatial.distance import pdist
# from urllib import urlopen
from urllib.request import urlopen
import pyspark
sc = pyspark.SparkContext('local[*]')
```

Below the code cell, the word "Pathogens" is visible.

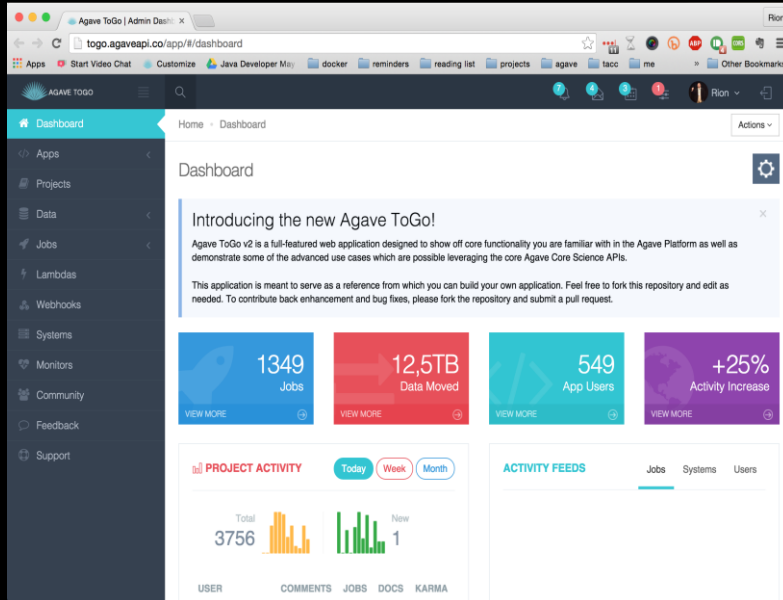
Jupyter integration



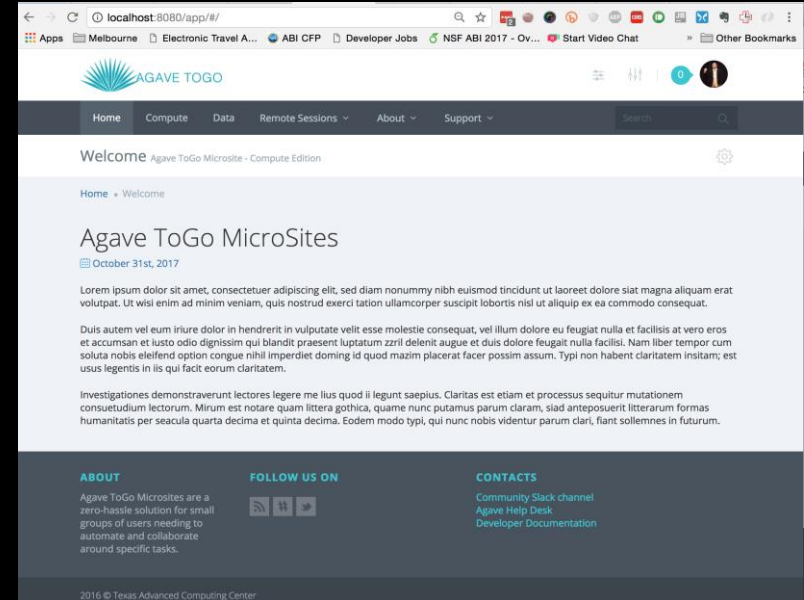
The screenshot shows the "Agave Docker Runner Demo" web application. The header includes "The iPlant Collaborative" and navigation links: Home, About, Contact, Links. A "Sign in" button is also present. The main content area has the title "Agave Docker Runner Demo" and a description: "This is a simple front-end webapp demonstrating Agave's support for running Docker containers. Click the 'Start Tutorial' button to begin the guided tour." Below this is a "Start Tutorial" button. The "Run a Job" section contains a form with fields for "Name" (Test job 1457014283), "Image" (SciPy-3), and "Command". The "Job Status" section shows a progress bar with stages: All, Submitted, Queued, Running, and Completed.

Demos & samples

# WEBAPPS *TO*STUDY AND *TO*GO



<http://togo.agaveplatform.org/app>

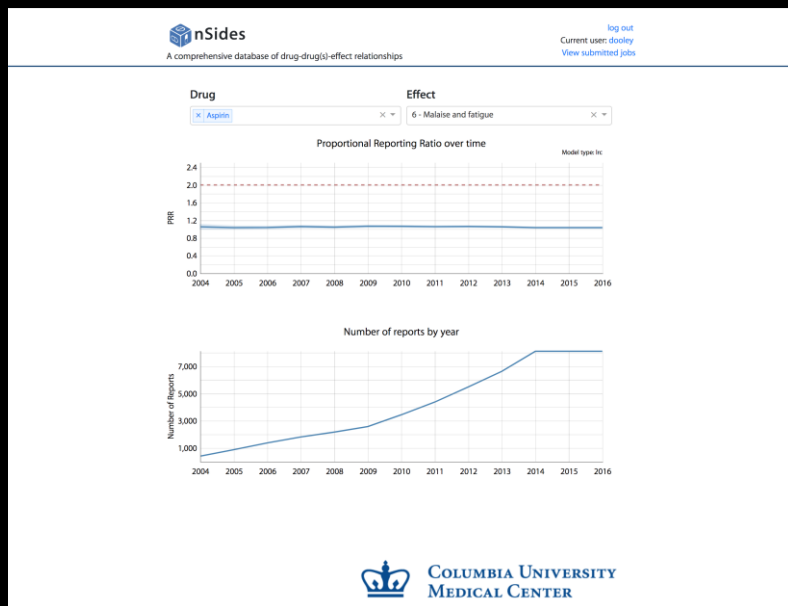


<http://agaveplatform.github.io/microsites/app>

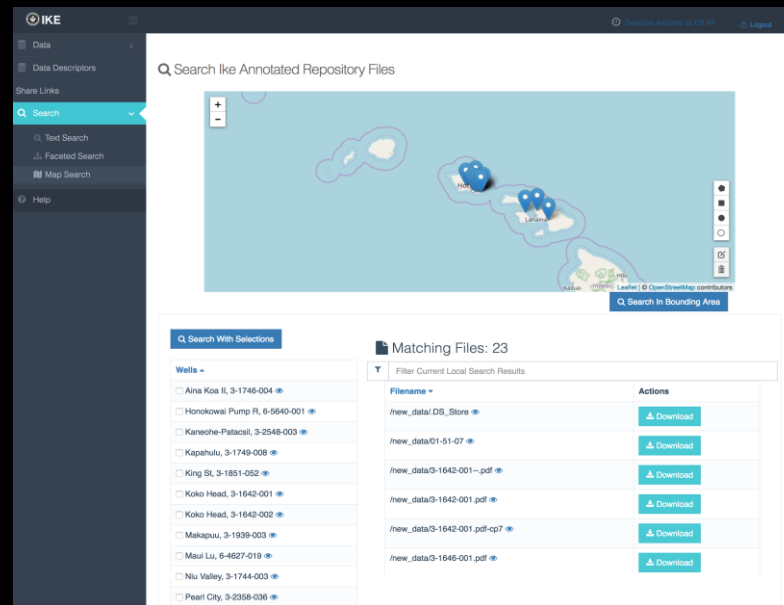
## WORLDWIDE PLATFORM USAGE



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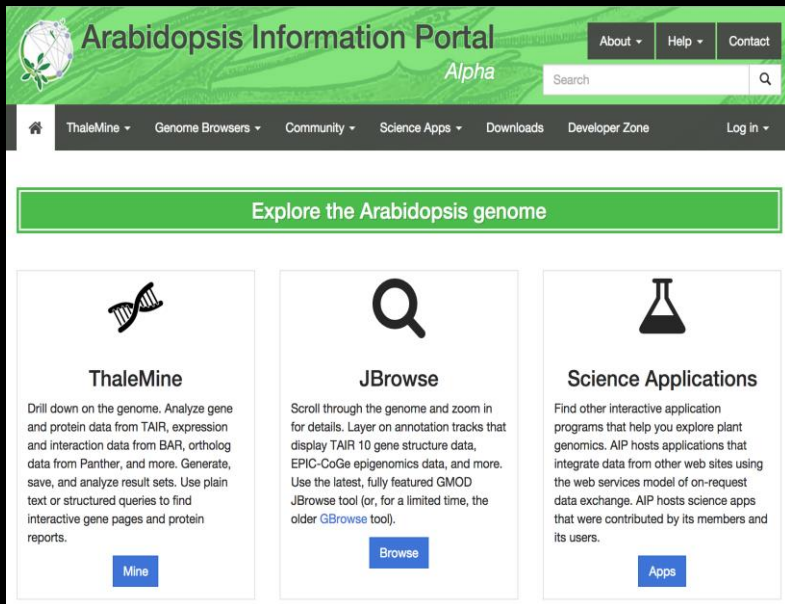


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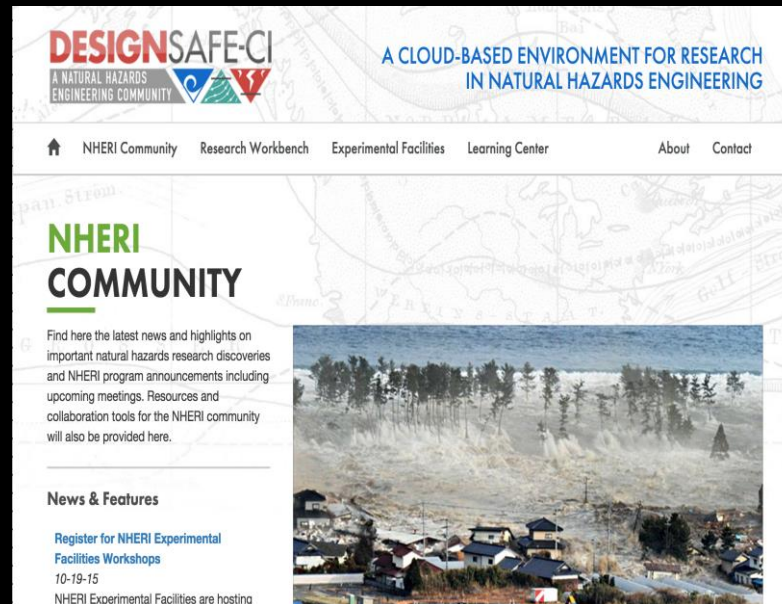
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The screenshot shows the Arabidopsis Information Portal (Alpha) website. The header features the portal's name, a search bar, and navigation links for About, Help, and Contact. Below the header is a secondary navigation bar with links to ThaleMine, Genome Browsers, Community, Science Apps, Downloads, Developer Zone, and Log in. A green banner below the navigation bar reads "Explore the Arabidopsis genome". The main content area is divided into three columns, each with an icon and a description of a tool or resource:

- ThaleMine**: Represented by a DNA double helix icon. The description states: "Drill down on the genome. Analyze gene and protein data from TAIR, expression and interaction data from BAR, ortholog data from Panther, and more. Generate, save, and analyze result sets. Use plain text or structured queries to find interactive gene pages and protein reports." A blue button labeled "Mine" is at the bottom.
- JBrowse**: Represented by a magnifying glass icon. The description states: "Scroll through the genome and zoom in for details. Layer on annotation tracks that display TAIR 10 gene structure data, EPIC-CoGe epigenomics data, and more. Use the latest, fully featured GMOD JBrowse tool (or, for a limited time, the older GBrowse tool)." A blue button labeled "Browse" is at the bottom.
- Science Applications**: Represented by a flask icon. The description states: "Find other interactive application programs that help you explore plant genomics. AIP hosts applications that integrate data from other web sites using the web services model of on-request data exchange. AIP hosts science apps that were contributed by its members and its users." A blue button labeled "Apps" is at the bottom.

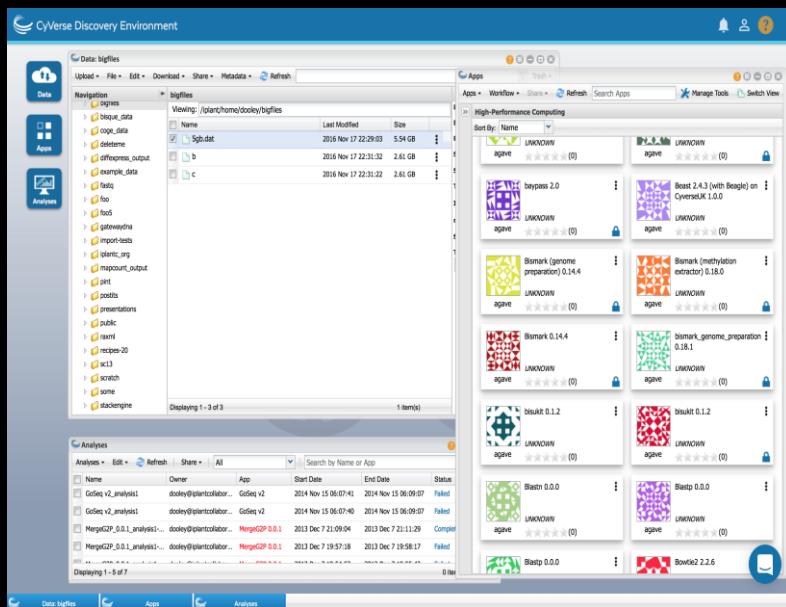
<http://araport.org>



The screenshot shows the DESIGNSAFE-CI website. The header features the logo, the text "A CLOUD-BASED ENVIRONMENT FOR RESEARCH IN NATURAL HAZARDS ENGINEERING", and navigation links for NHERI Community, Research Workbench, Experimental Facilities, Learning Center, About, and Contact. Below the header is a large section titled "NHERI COMMUNITY" with a green underline. The text below the title reads: "Find here the latest news and highlights on important natural hazards research discoveries and NHERI program announcements including upcoming meetings. Resources and collaboration tools for the NHERI community will also be provided here." Below this text is a "News & Features" section with a link to "Register for NHERI Experimental Facilities Workshops 10-19-15" and a note that "NHERI Experimental Facilities are hosting". To the right of the text is a photograph of a coastal area with houses and trees, possibly showing the impact of a natural hazard.

<https://www.designsafe-ci.org>

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<http://de.cyverse.org>



<https://vdjserver.org>



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FAST TRACK TO GENE ANNOTATION AND GENOME ANALYSIS

Now for PLANTS & ANIMALS

USERNAME:  PASSWORD:

Log In Enter As Guest

Forgot Password? Register

**D N A**

**SUBWAY**

Annotate a Genomic Sequence

Find Repeats

Predict Genes

Search Databases

Build Models

Prospect Genomes Using TARGET

Search Genomes

Alignment & Tree Viewer

Determine Sequence Relationships

Assemble Sequences

Add Sequences

Analyze Sequences

Next Generation Sequencing

Manage Data

Analyze Transcriptome

Browsers & Transfer

Click to watch **Green line preview**

This site ties together key bioinformatics tools and databases to assemble gene models, investigate genomes, work with phylogenetic trees and analyze DNA barcodes. Roll over the "stations" on the subway map to find out more about the analysis steps. Analyze your own data or sample data provided. To start a project, select one of the "lines" (red, yellow, blue). Register and login to be able to save and share your results.

<http://dnasubway.org>

DNA Subway Training DNA Barcoding 101

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BioExtract Server

data access, analysis, storage, and workflow creation

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[ sign in | register | why register? ]

Query Extracts Tools Workflows Groups Help

Demo Workflow

Available Data Sources. Select one or more data sources to query:

- ☐ All
- ☐ Miscellaneous
- ☐ Nucleotide Sequences
- ☐ Protein Sequences
- ☐ Viridiplantae
- ☐ Viridiplantae Protein

Fetch Sequence(s)

If you know the GI/accession number the sequence(s) you want to retrieve the **Fetch Sequence Records** tool. Retrieved records will display on the Extracts page.

What's New

Facebook

Query Form. Select a search field and enter a search term.  
Press Add Search Line to combine search terms with AND, OR, and NOT. **Query examples.**

Add Search Line

Search Field Search Term(s)

All Text

Current Query:

Submit Query Clear

Version: 2.4.81 (release)

About Us BioExtract harnesses the power of online informatics tools for creating and customizing workflows. Users can query online sequence data, analyze it using an informatics tools (web service and desktop), create and share custom workflows for repeated analysis, and save the resulting data and workflows in standardized report work was initially supported by NSF grant 0090732. Current work is being supported by NSF IOS-1126481.

<https://www.bioextract.org>

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## iReceptor

ABOUT NEWS ARCHITECTURE CONTACT

### What is iReceptor?

iReceptor is a distributed data management system and scientific gateway for mining "Next Generation" sequence data from immune responses. The goal of the project is to: *improve the design of vaccines and therapeutic antibodies by integrating Canadian and international data repositories of antibody and T-cell receptor gene sequences.*

iReceptor will provide a technology platform that will lower the barrier to immune genetics researchers who need to federate large, distributed, immune genetics databases in order to answer complex questions about the immune response. The focus of the iReceptor project is to leverage existing capabilities and technologies to build a new scientific platform for the immune genetics research community. In order to provide such a system, the iReceptor project will develop the following components:

- An iReceptor immune genetics data model and database design that enhances existing genomics data models,
- A set of data adaptor/import/conversion services for transforming immune genetics data sets into the iReceptor data model,
- An iReceptor data service that will expose access to a set of distributed immune genetics

### LATEST NEWS


CANARIE Workshop  
Oct 20-21, 2014  
10/20/2014 - 06:59

Antibody & T-Cell  
Receptor Data  
Integration Planning  
Meeting  
09/10/2014 - 15:07

iReceptor CANARIE  
announcement  
06/23/2014 - 11:31

iReceptor is live!!!  
06/22/2014 - 00:44

<https://ireceptorgw.irmacs.sfu.ca/>



## iMicrobe Enables Science

Search, analyze, compare, and visualize your data!

GET STARTED LOGIN

### Use cases

- Browse**  
"Window shop" for datasets by ecosystem, project, principal investigator, and more!
- Search**  
Dive-in on datasets based on environmental factors using our powerful search tool.
- Discover**  
Use our analytics to find datasets like yours based on sequence composition and shared functional or taxonomic annotations.
- Recommendations**  
Join the iMicrobe community and get personalized recommendations on recent articles in microbial ecology.
- Learn**  
Tap into an ecosystem of solutions for analyzing large-scale meta-omics datasets at [protobio.io](#) using iMicrobe tools, join the community and share your protocols using iMicrobe Apps.
- Developers**  
Join a network of open-source developers who are creating tools for microbial ecology. Incorporate third-party software or add your own code using iMicrobe containers at [CyVerse](#).  
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