Brief Bio and (PR)$^2$: Problems & Pitches – Rants & Raves by Paul Albert

Paul Albert is Project Manager of VIVO and Identity Service Product Manager at Weill Cornell Medical College where he has worked since 2007. He has Master's degrees in Education and Library and Information Science. Paul also serves as co-lead of VIVO’s National Implementation/Development Working Group and the VIVO Steering Committee. Presenting on VIVO, Paul was winner of the Best Demonstration Award at the 2012 edition of the Joint Conference of Digital Libraries held in Washington D.C. Paul has lectured at numerous conferences about VIVO including VIVO's annual implementation fest and the annual national conference. His Drupal-based tool for visualizing semantic data, VIVO Dashboard, which was designed and planned by him, has elicited multiple adulatory tweets. As Identity Service Project Manager, Paul designs workflows and processes for improving the quality of identity at his institution. Paul has been quoted in the New York Times on the role social networks play in the lives of patients.

Select publications of Paul’s are as follows:


My software

- vivoweb.org
- VIVO Dashboard - github.com/paulalbert1/vivodashboard

General Questions

1) Do you consider yourself a developer, platform user, idealist, creator, connector, etc.?  
Creator and platform user

2) What is (are) your main interest(s) in attending the workshop?
I was told there would be snacks. Also, I’m interested in helping build tools, processes, and workflows that expedite discovery, or, at the very least, make life easier on scientists by saving them valuable time.
3) What would you like to learn / achieve at the workshop?

I would like us to prioritize what sources of data are most important and then agree on standards and methods for exchanging such data.

4) What tools, services, efforts are most relevant for the topic of the workshop?

- VIAF
- VIVO
- Profiles Research Networking
- and, I hope to learn about others!