

# Grid computing in Europe and neighbouring countries

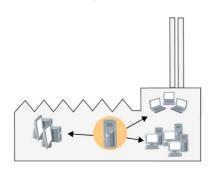
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### From a single PC to a grid

Farm of PCs

Entreprise grid: mutualization of ressources in a company



Example:

Volunteer computing: CPU cycles made available by PC owners



Examples: Seti@home

**Decrypthon** 

**World Community Grid** 

Africa@home

#### **Grid infrastructure:**

Internet + disk and storage resources + services for information management (data collection, transfer and analysis)



**Example:** 

**EGEE** 



#### What is the Grid?

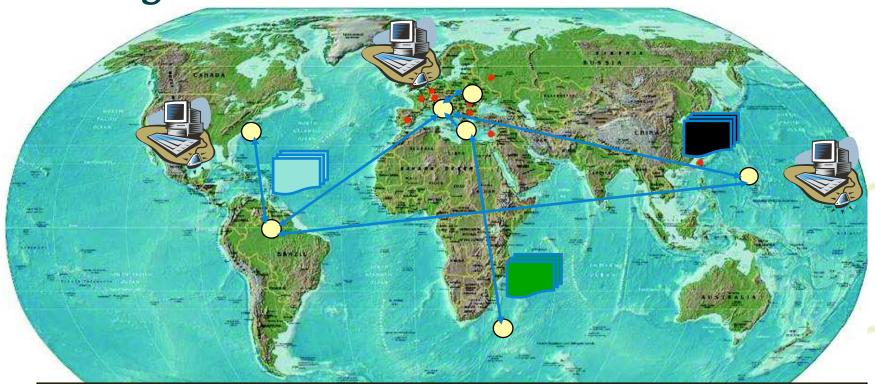
- The World Wide Web provides seamless access to information that is stored in many millions of different geographical locations
- In contrast, the Grid is a new computing infrastructure which provides seamless access to computing power, data and other resources distributed over the globe
- The name Grid is chosen by analogy with the electric power grid: plug-in to computing power without worrying where it comes from, like a toaster





### The grid added value for international collaboration

 Grids offer unprecedented opportunities for sharing information and resources world-wide



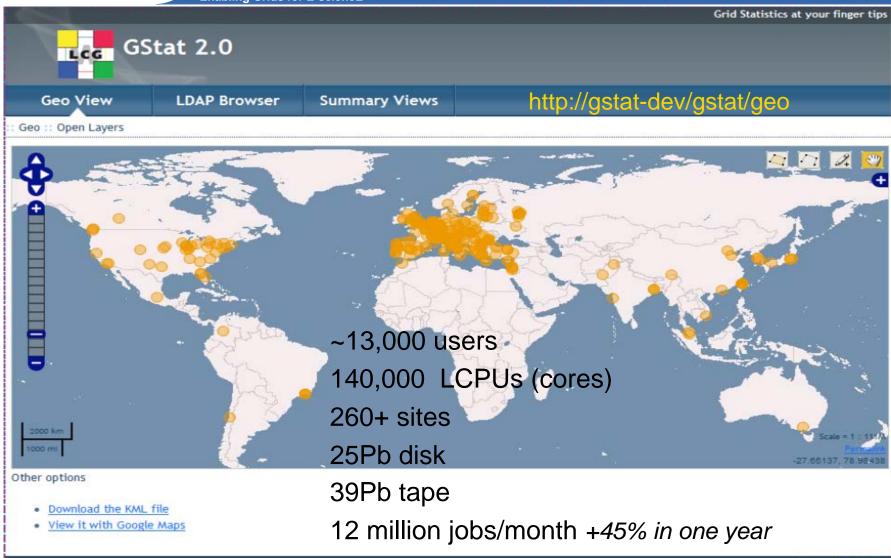
#### **Grids are unique tools for:**

- -Collecting and sharing information
- -Networking experts
- -Mobilizing resources routinely or in emergency



#### **EGEE**

**Enabling Grids for E-sciencE** 

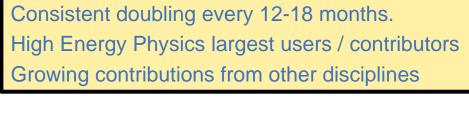


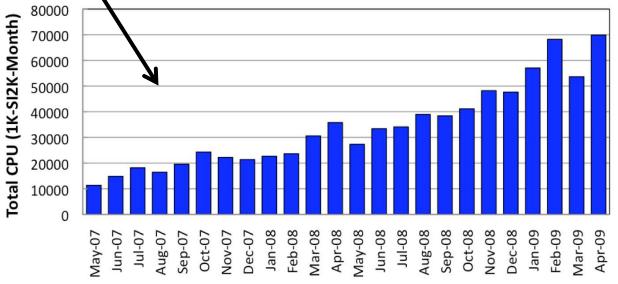




#### **User Communities**

**Enabling Grids for E-sciencE** 





Domain	VOs	Users
AstroPhy & Astronomy	20	373
Comp Chem	4	347
Comp Sci	4	21
Earth Sci	7	142
Fusion	2	68
High Energy Phys	36	8577
Life Sci	9	379
"Regional"	26	1658
Other	28	1816
TOTAL	136	13381

CIC Portal: <a href="http://cic.gridops.org/">http://cic.gridops.org/</a>

Accounting Portal: <a href="http://www3.egee.cesga.es/">http://www3.egee.cesga.es/</a>

>13000 Registered Users



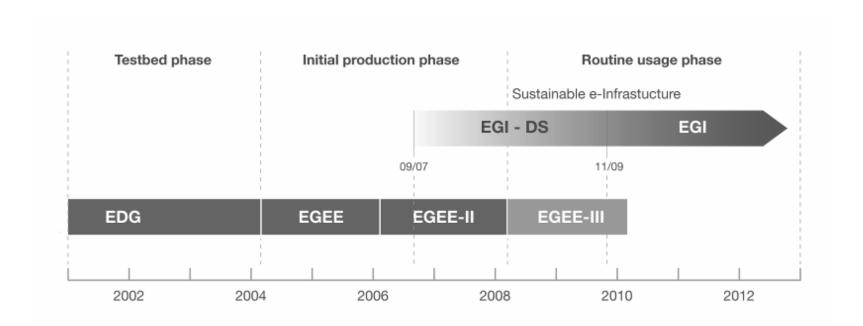
#### **Training events**





#### From EGEE to EGI

- EGEE was a project funded by the European Commission within FP7
- EGI is a federation of National Grid Initiatives
  - EC is funding the glue between the national grids





### Are grids only for rich countries?

- Grids are powerful instruments to address digital divide
  - Clouds are not!
  - All grid users access the same services and resources
    - Requirement: an access point (or User Interface) to the grid
- There are two conditions
  - Network connectivity
  - Training of local users and administrators



#### Other grid infrastructures around the world



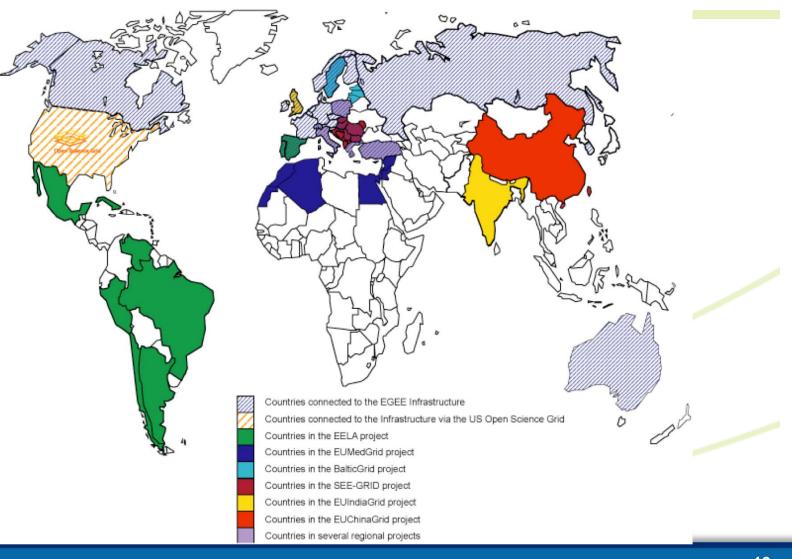






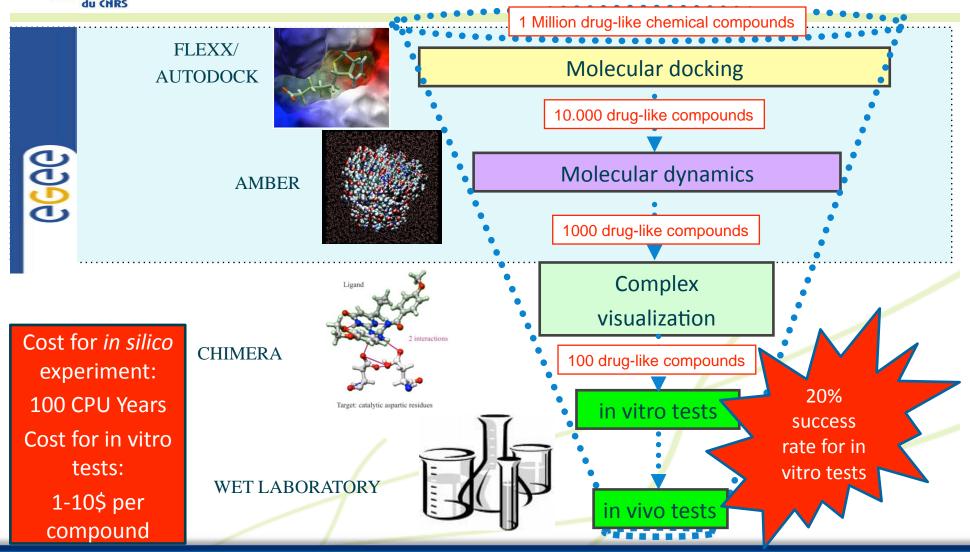






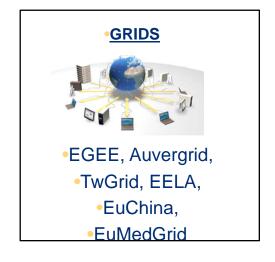


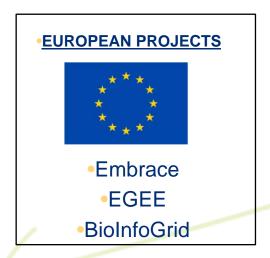
#### Grid-enabled in silico drug discovery





2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
Wisdom-I	DataChallenge	Wisdom-II	DataChallenge Diabetes		
Malaria	Avian Flu	Malaria			
Plasmepsin	Neuraminidase	4 targets	Alpha-amyla	ase, maltase	







More than 15 papers in peer-reviewed scientific journals 5 patents on molecules



### WISDOM partners

LPC Clermont-

Ferrand:

Biomedical grid

CEA, Acamba project:

Biological targets, Chemogenomics

HealthGrid:

Biomedical grid, Dissemination

<u>Univ. Los Andes:</u>
Biological targets,
Malaria biology

SCAI Fraunhofer:Knowledge extraction,

Chemoinformatics

Univ. Modena:

Biological targets, Molecular Dynamics

ITB CNR:

Bioinformatics,
Molecular modelling

<u>KISTI</u> Grid technology

Chonnam Nat. Univ.
In vitro tests

Academica Sinica: Grid user interface

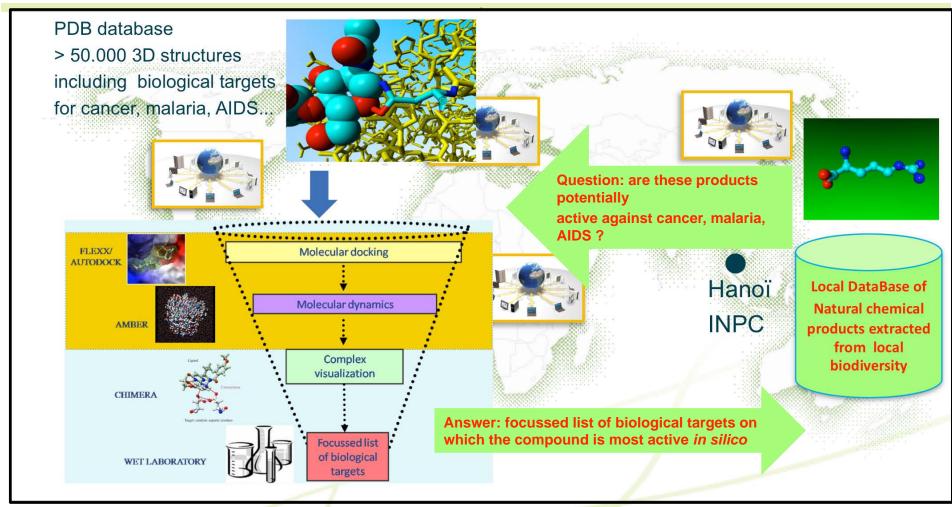
<u>Univ. Pretoria:</u> <u>Bioinformatics,</u>

Malaria biology

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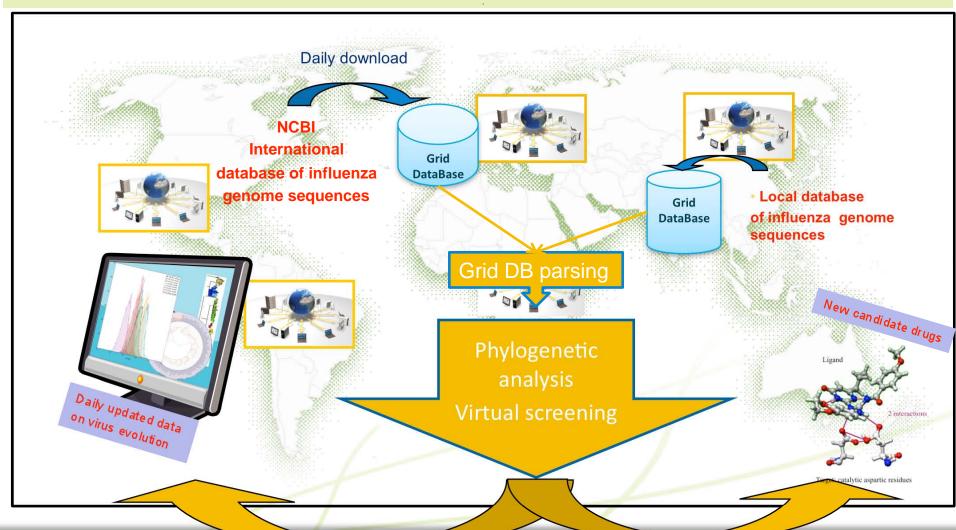


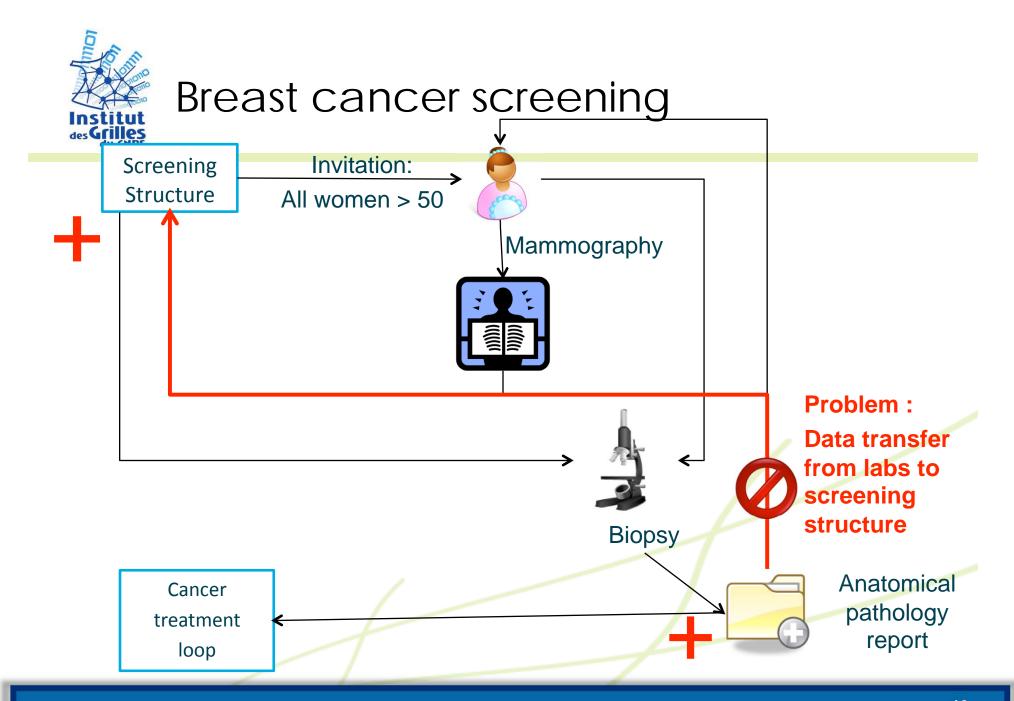
#### Discovering new drugs in Vietnam





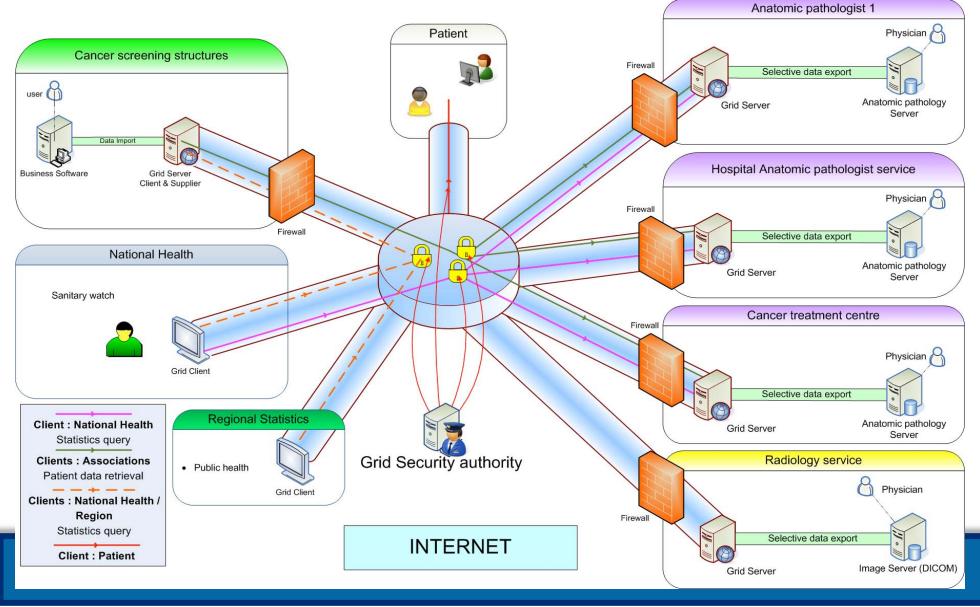
## Monitoring the evolution of influenza viruses







#### **Architecture**





## Where grids can help medical development in developing countries

- Improve the ability to undertake health innovation
  - Strengthen the integration of life science research laboratories in the world community
  - Provide access to resources
  - Provide access to bioinformatics services
- Contribute to the development and deployment of new drugs and vaccines
  - Improve collection of epidemiological data for research (modeling, molecular biology)
  - Improve the deployment of clinical trials on plagued areas
  - Speed-up drug discovery process (in silico virtual screening)
- Improve disease monitoring
  - Monitor the impact of policies and programs
  - Monitor drug delivery and vector control
  - Improve epidemics warning and monitoring system



#### Conclusion

- Grid services are better than they have ever been
  - Opportunities to do science differently or at a larger scale
- Many opportunities for collaboration with Mediterranean countries
  - Life sciences and health
  - Earth sciences
  - Climate change
- Institut des Grilles du CNRS will pursue active collaboration with Mediterranean countries
  - Already active collaborations with developing countries (Senegal, South Africa, Vietnam)
  - Involvment in EUMedGrid-Support and EPIKH (see F. Ruggieri's talk)



# Suggestion: an open source toolkit for the modelling of climate change

- Background: polemics on climate change
  - « Last » episod: climategate
  - Beyond polemics: lack of consistency between existing models
- Proposal: build an open source toolkit for the modelling of climate
  - Added value of the open source approach
    - Common tool
    - Transparency
    - Potential consensus
  - Grid added value: distributed data collection



## Grids are learning to speak to each other

- Grids have different operating systems or middlewares
  - EGEE has glite
  - Open Science Grid (USA) has Globus
  - Japanese grid has Naregi
  - Most desktop grids use Boinc
- Progress with technology opens doors to interoperability of grids

