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Semantic Automated Discovery and Integration

A design-pattern for “native” Linked-Data Semantic Web Services

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What's the Problem?

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XML Schema

XML Schema allows us to describe, to a machine, the structure of an XML document

Therefore we can
share, integrate, and
aggregate data!



What did XML Schema do for us?



“...XML Schema (among other things) allowed us to ~automate the creation of memory-structures which could hold the given XML-formatted data...”

-- Paul Gordon, SUN COE, Calgary

Does not solve the integration or aggregation problem

EMBL Nucleotide Record Schema

XML Schema

*There will be an element called “**qualifier**”*

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These two fragments represent XML documents that contain EXACTLY the same data; However we cannot immediately integrate them...

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...because the “meaning” of each Schema element is implicit.

Therefore, we resort to “Schema Mapping” to integrate the data

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So, obviously, all we need to do is automate the process of schema-mapping, and then we will achieve interoperability!

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Though there have been numerous attempts to automate schema mapping none have proven reliable in an open-Web situation

Nevertheless...



Web Services



“Service Oriented Architectures”



WSDL

(and many other 4-letter words)



But...

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XML Schema





“The phrase ‘practical Web Services’ is not intrinsically an oxymoron, but [I] argue that there are few in existence.”

-- Charles Petrie, Stanford University

Why?

Because the automated-schema matching problem
is *so disruptive*
that *there is little point* in building
“modular/reusable” Web Services...

They are simply too difficult to integrate
with other Web Services, so why bother even trying?

-- adapted from Petrie, SWSIP 2009

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Then we moved into very dark times...

We still want SOA's, so...

...rather than modular Services, we'll just
build Services that do the entire
operation as a single function!

These Services, therefore,
had a much higher complexity

(both w.r.t. data types and
the functional description of the service)

So...
perversely...

XML Schema

made the interoperability problem

WORSE!

But there is hope!



“Linked Data” movement
Resource Description Framework
“RDF”

The “Semantic Web” movement
Web Ontology Language
“OWL”

What does RDF do for us?



“...RDF replaces XML Schema, because RDF says that ***there is only one data model...***”

-- Paul Gordon, SUN COE, Calgary

What does OWL do for us?

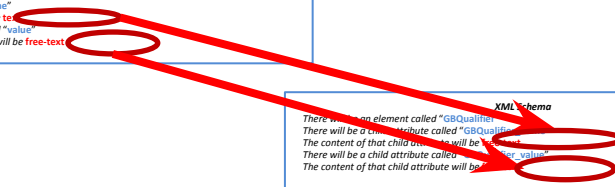


“...the semantics are *no longer implicit* in that data model...”

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A semantics-based Web Services design-pattern

<http://sadiframework.org>



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Make Web Services look more like
the Semantic Web

standards-compliant

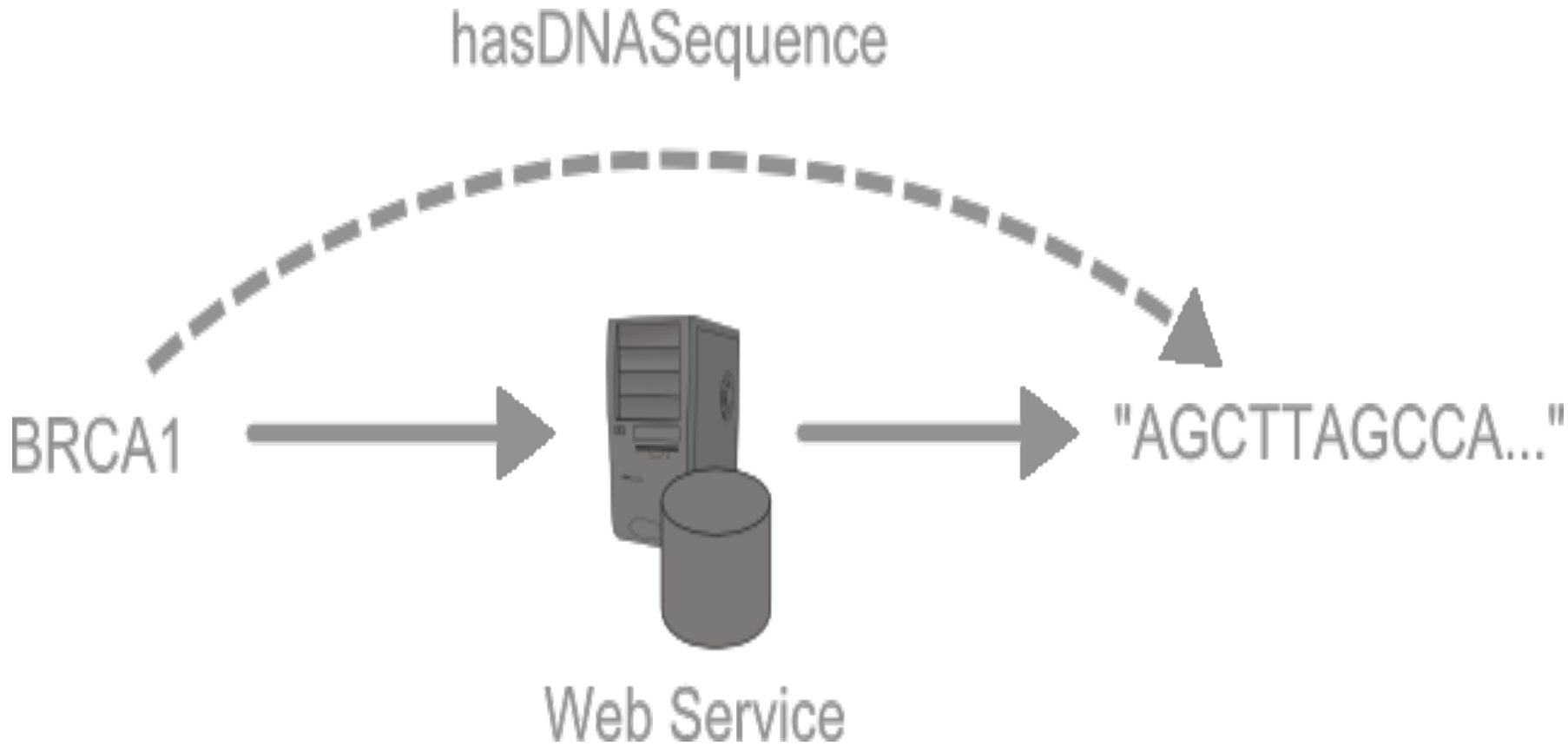
Lightweight
(only 2 “rules”)

Rules were based on our
observations of Web Service functionality
(specifically in the bioinformatics space)

Observation #1:

Web Services in Bioinformatics create
implicit biological relationships
between their input and output

Observation #1:



SADI Design Pattern #1

Make the implicit *explicit...*

A Web Service should create “triples” linking the input data to the output data, thus explicitly describing the semantic relationship between them

Observation #2:

HTTP GET and POST

GET guarantees
the response relates to the request URI
in a very precise and predictable way

POST does not...

Observation #2:

HTTP GET and POST

That's why **Web Services** have a fundamentally different *behaviour* than the **Semantic Web**

Observation #2:

HTTP GET and POST

We can fix that!

(without breaking any existing rules or standards!)

SADI Design Pattern #2

SUBJECT URI of the **output** graph (triples)

is the same as

SUBJECT URI of the **input** graph (triples)

(the output is “about” the input... Now explicitly!)

Consequence

Web Services now exhibit a very similar behavior
to the Web itself

POST “behaves like” GET

SADI Interface Definitions

Service Interfaces defined by
two OWL classes:

SADI Interface Definitions

OWL Class #1: My Input Class

SADI Interface Definitions

OWL Class #2: My Output Class

SADI Service Invocation

Consumes OWL Individuals (RDF) of Class #1

Returns OWL Individuals (RDF) of Class #2

...but the URI of those two individuals is the same!
(see design pattern #2)

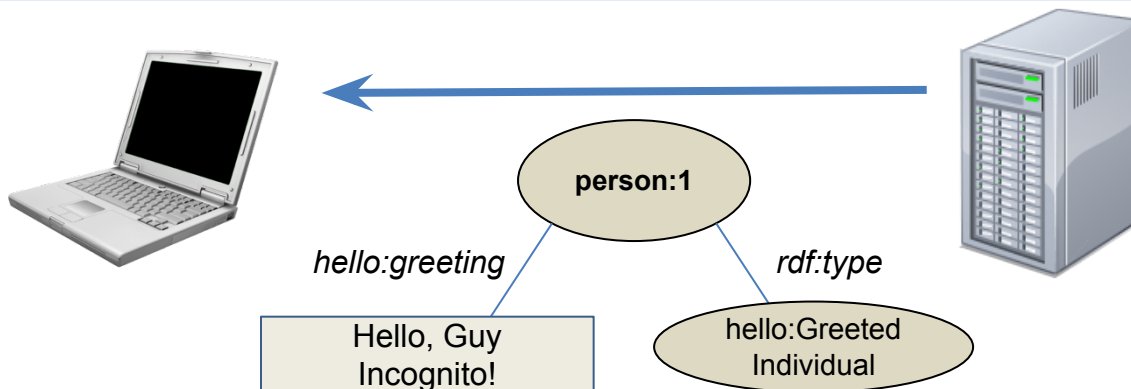
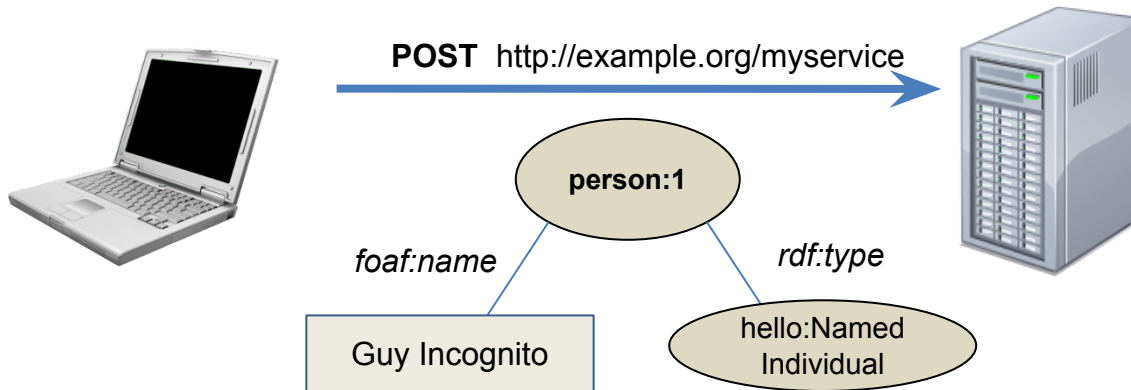
Service Description

INPUT OWL Class

NamedIndividual: things with a “name” property from “foaf” ontology

OUTPUT OWL Class

GreetedIndividual: things with a “greeting” property from “hello” ontology



Service Discovery

Input and output are about the same “thing”

Therefore, to describe what a service **does**
simply compare (“diff”) the
Input and Output OWL classes

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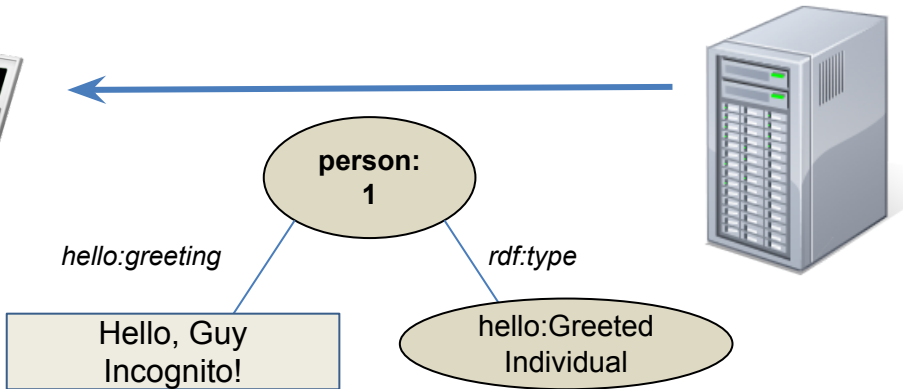
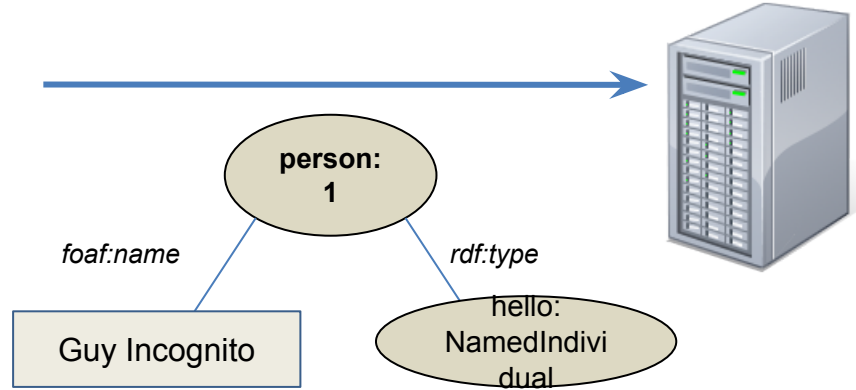
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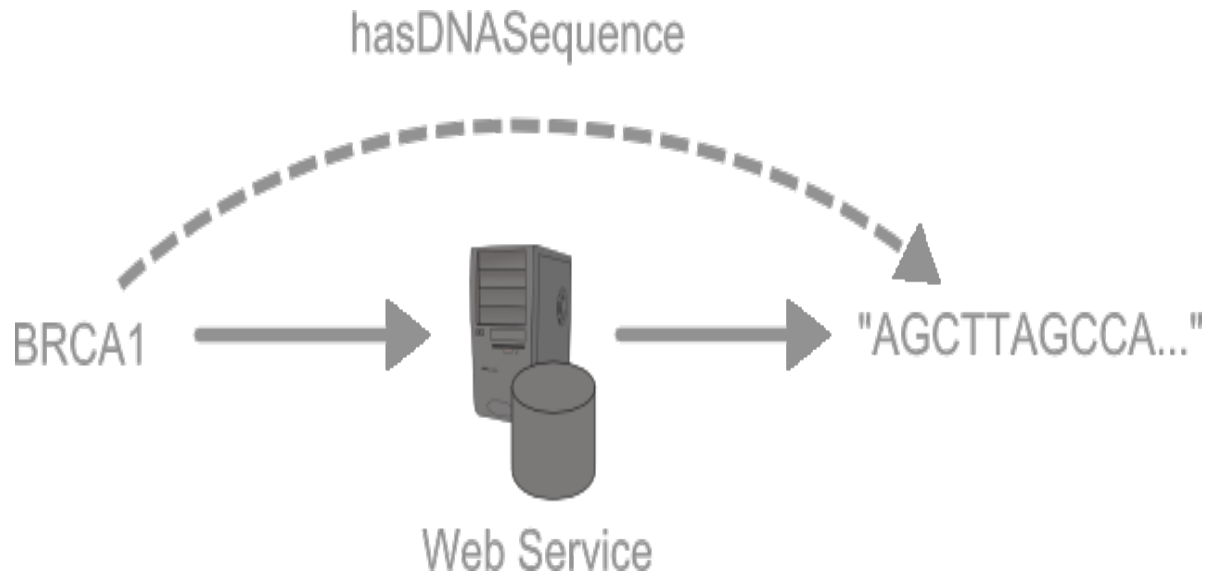
The service provides a "greeting" to any entity that has a "name" property



Service Registry

Index of all properties
consumed/produced
by all services

Real-world Example



Input Data: BRCA1 rdf:type Gene ID

Output Data: BRCA1 hasDNASequence AGCTTAGCCA...

Registry Index: Service provides “hasDNASequence” property to Gene IDs

e.g. The question:

"what is the DNA sequence of BRCA1?"

Discover a SADI Web Service that generates the
DNA Sequence property for gene identifiers

Describing service functionality in this way
turns out to be extremely powerful!

Knowledge Explorer Plug-in

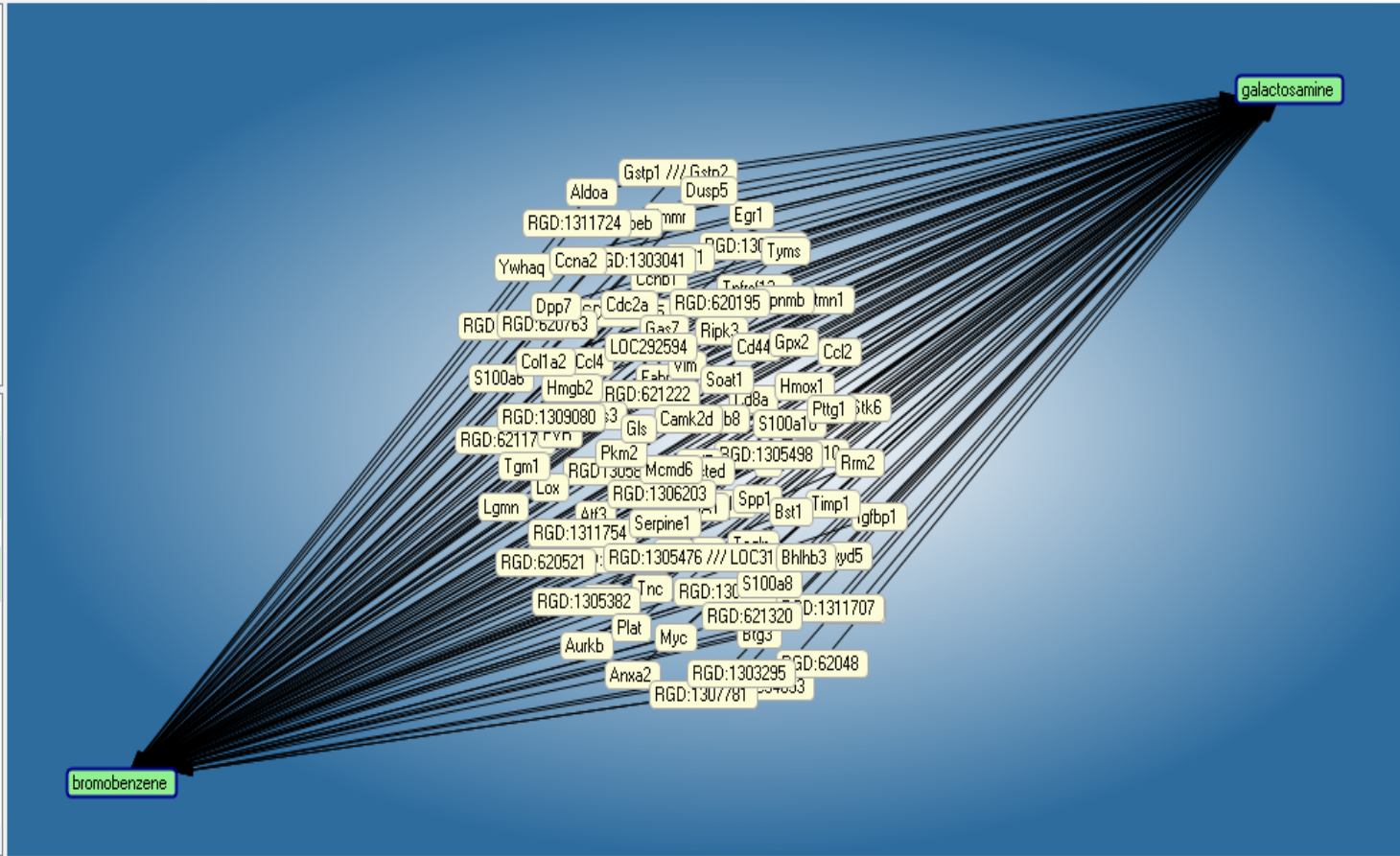
For more information about the Knowledge Explorer surf to:
<http://io-informatics.com>



- Comments
- Gene
- Metabolite
- pathway.obo
- Peak Group
- Project
- Protein
- Treatment
 - Dose
 - Time
 - Treatment Agent
- UniProt_Record

6 instances of Treatment Agent

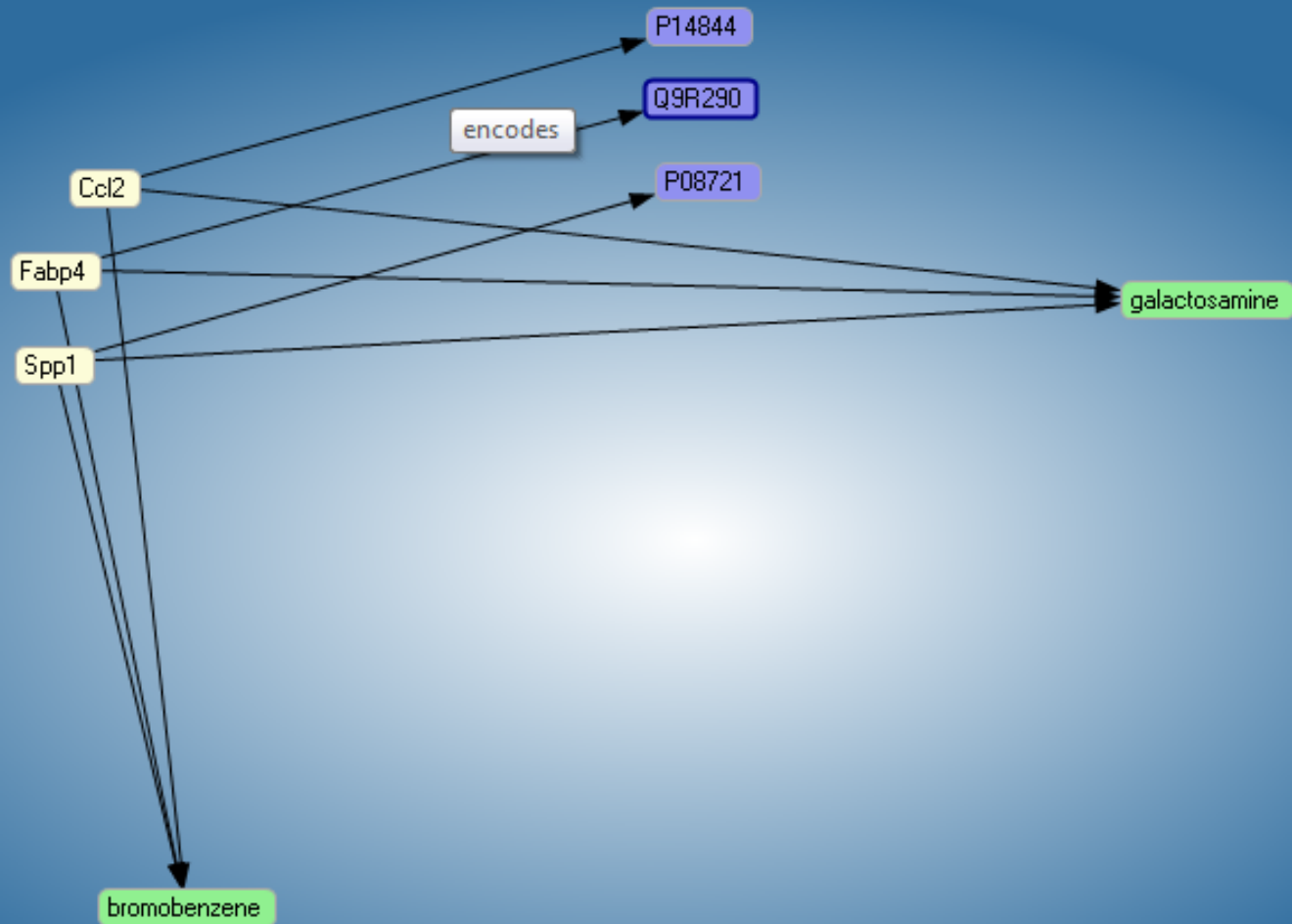
- 1-2-dichlorobenzene
- 1-4-dichlorobenzene
- bromobenzene
- galactosamine
- monocrotaline
- n-nitromorpholine



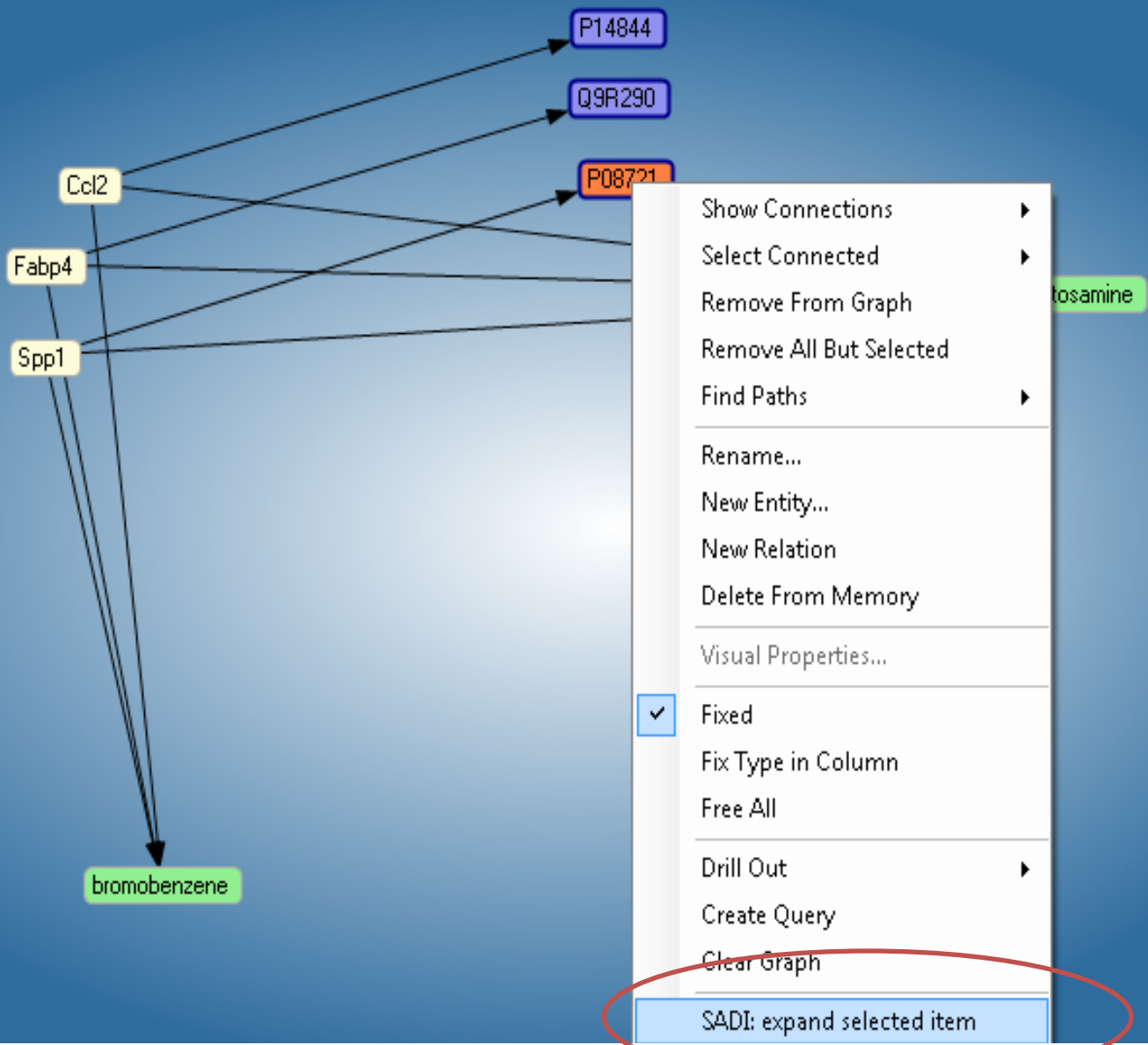
Entity	Relationship	Entity

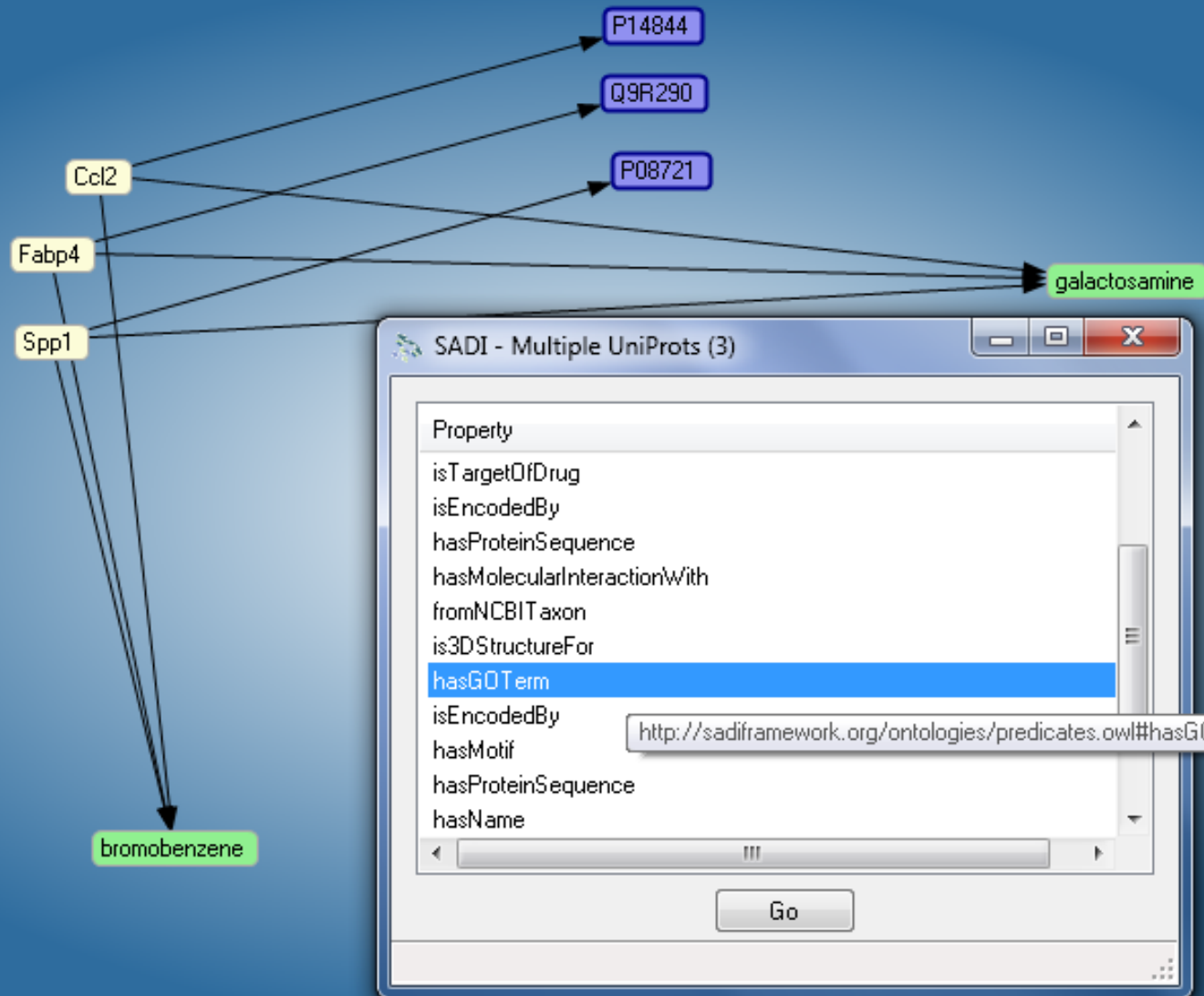
Relations

- gene SymbolHasTreatment Agent
- hasOrigin
- hasTime
- hasTreatment Agent
- metabolite NameHasTreatment Agent
- treatment AgentHasDose
- treatment AgentHasTime

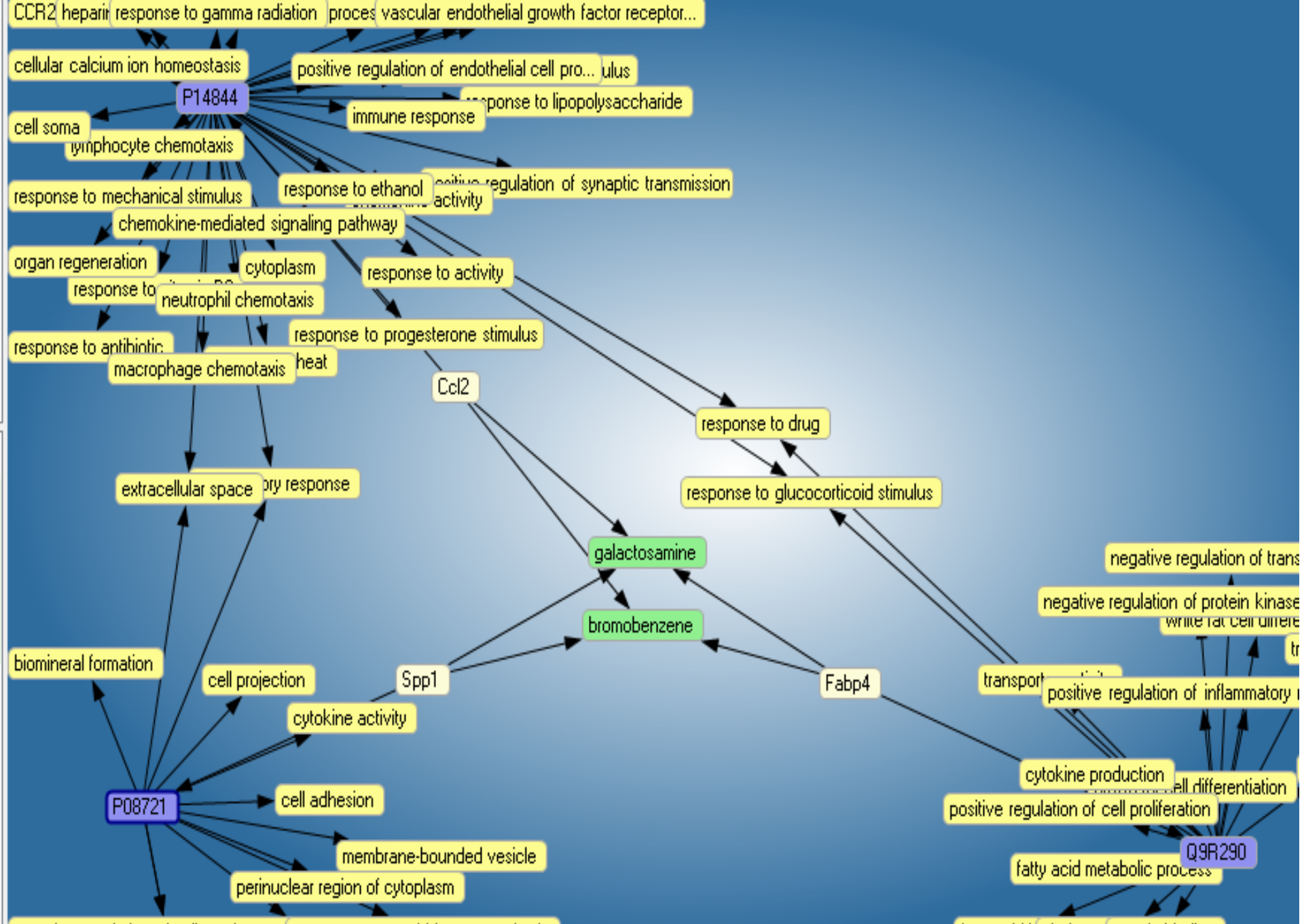


SADI has just invoked a service that provided the “Encodes” property for the three genes of interest. Three new nodes appear that are “Protein Sequence” type nodes





Ask the SADI Registry what properties can be provided to things of type “Protein Sequence”;
Discover a service that provides the hasGOTerm property





Semantic Health And Research Environment

SPARQL + Registry Lookup + Service Invocation
+ Workflow Orchestration + DL Reasoning



Semantic Health And Research Environment

SHARE answers arbitrary SPARQL queries
by finding and executing SADI Services

Example #1

What is the phenotype of every allele of the
Antirrhinum majus DEFICIENS gene

```
SELECT ?allele ?image ?desc

WHERE {
    locus:DEF          genetics:hasVariant          ?allele .
    ?allele            info:visualizedByImage       ?image .
    ?image              info:hasDescription         ?desc
}
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Note that there is no “FROM” clause!
We don’t tell it **where** it should get the information,
The machine has to figure that out by itself...



SHARE

Enter that query into
SHARE

SPARQL query:


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}
```

Submit

Click "Submit"...

SPARQL query:

```
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  ?allele info:visualizedByImage ?image .
  ?image info:hasDescription ?desc
}
```

 [View results as RDF](#). There were warnings executing the query. Click for details.

Submit

Query results

allele	desc	image
http://lsrn.org/DragonDB_Allele:def-23	petals almost normal, third whorl similar to null mutant of def	http://antirrhinum.net/images/DragonDB/external/def-23.jpg
http://lsrn.org/DragonDB_Allele:def-101	temperature sensitivity of the def-101 allele Habit: Leaves: Seedl	http://antirrhinum.net/images/DragonDB/external/def-101.jpg
http://lsrn.org/DragonDB_Allele:def-gli	Habit: Leaves: Seedlings: Cotyledones: Hypocotyl: Inflorescence	http://antirrhinum.net/images/DragonDB/external/def-gli.jpg
http://lsrn.org/DragonDB_Allele:def-nic	background-dependent variability of second whorl organs of the d	http://antirrhinum.net/images/DragonDB/external/def-nic.jpg
http://lsrn.org/DragonDB_Allele:def-chl	Habit: Growth bushy. Leaves: Newly formed leaves pale green. C	http://antirrhinum.net/images/DragonDB/external/def-chlorantha.j

```

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Because it is the Semantic **Web**
 The query results are live hyperlinks
 to the respective Database or images



General Search Text Search Class Browser AceDb Query

Antirrhinum majus Genome Database

[Tabular Display](#) [Graphical Display](#) [AceDB Schema \(useful for constructing queries\)](#) [XML Display](#)

Allele Report for: def-gli

Name: Class: [Change](#)

def-gli	Name	Other_name	deficiens globifera
	Source	gene	DEF
	Description	Phenotype	Habit: Leaves: Seedlings: Cotyledone s: Hypocotyl: Infloresce nce: Flowers: Petals reduced. Male fertility reduced. Petals greenish. The flowers consist only of sepals and the carpel. Carpel is inflated. No Stamens can be found. Instead of normal flowers sepal-like scale entities are found, from where the female pistil emerges. No stamens can be found, the plants are female only and tend to backmutate . Another whorl of sepals is formed instead of petals and carpels instead of stamens. The fourth whorl is usually missing. Homeotic mutant.
		Upper lip:	
		Lower lip:	
		Bumps:	
		Seed:	

Importantly

We posed, and answered a
complex SPARQL query

without a SPARQL endpoint

(in fact, the data didn't even have to exist...)

Example #2

Show me the latest Blood Urea Nitrogen and Creatinine levels of patients **who appear to be rejecting their transplants**

```
SELECT ?patient ?bun ?creat
FROM <http://sadiframework.org/ontologies/patients.rdf>
WHERE {
    ?patient rdf:type patient:LikelyRejecter .
    ?patient l:latestBUN ?bun .
    ?patient l:latestCreatinine ?creat .
}
```

Likely Rejecter:

A patient who has creatinine levels
that are increasing over time

-- Wilkinson "MD"

Likely Rejecter:

Our triplestore contains various
blood chemistry measurements
at various time-points

Likely Rejecter:

...but there is no “likely rejecter”
property in our triplestore

SHARE determines

by DL Reasoning

the **need** to do a
Linear Regression analysis over
Creatinine blood chemistry measurements

SHARE determines

by DL Reasoning

how and where that analysis
can be done

and orchestrates a workflow
that **does it**

SPARQL query:

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}
```

 calling service LinearRegression ([http://sadiframework.org/ontologies/patients.rdf

Submit

The SHARE system utilizes Semantics (via SADI) to discover and access analytical services on the Web that do linear regression analysis

SPARQL query:

```
FROM <http://summitnetwork.org/ontologies/patients.ttl>
WHERE {
  ?patient rdf:type patients:LikelyRejecter .
  ?patient p:latestBUN ?bun .
  ?patient p:latestCreatinine ?creat .
}
```



[View results as RDF](#). There were warnings executing the query. Click for details.

Submit

VOILA!

Query results

bun	creat	patient
5.861790	1.215768	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
17.673603	1.000161	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
7.997613	1.146408	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
2.977437	0.953866	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
10.995189	1.247073	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
1.168096	1.185007	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
7.570712	0.986164	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...
11.220001	1.142272	http://biordf.net/moby/Dumm...

SHARE formulated a path
(workflow)
to generate data *de novo*

because the data required by
the query didn't exist

That's enough for now

:-)

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(please forgive the chaos as we move from
Google Code to GitHub!)

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