



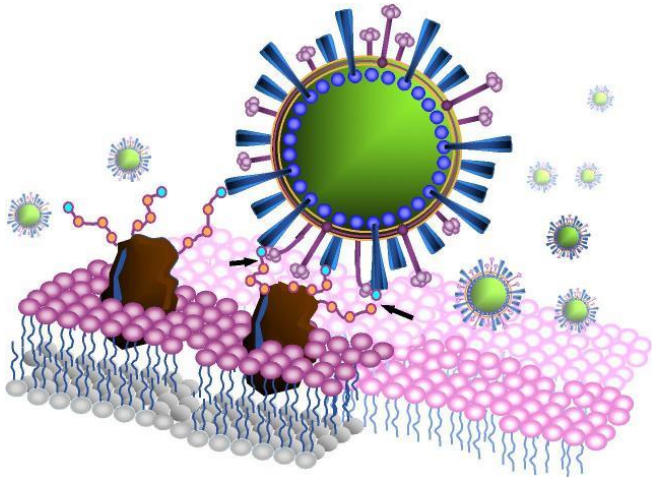
The European Grid Infrastructure enables access to computing resources for European scientists from all fields of science, from Physics to Humanities.

# What is a grid?

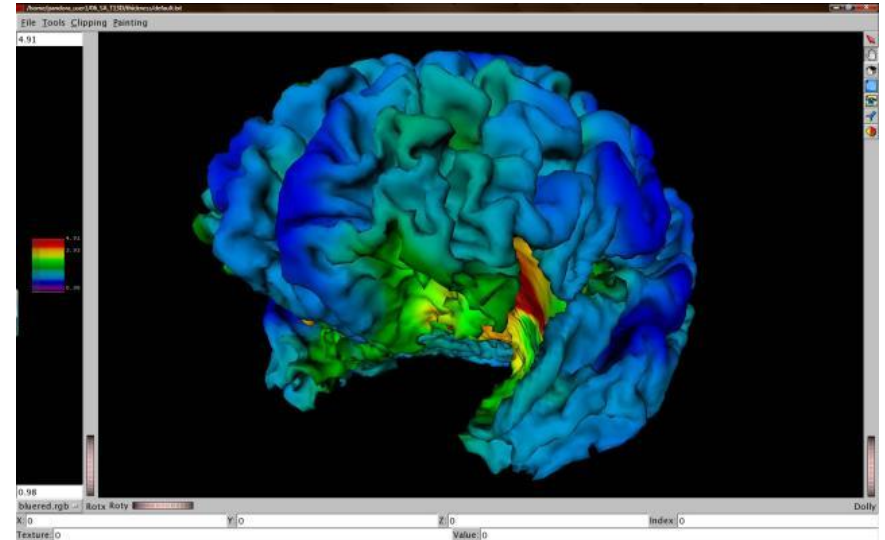
- A grid is set of distributed resources, managed by separate organisations.
- These resources can be used systematically and securely by external users.
- Resources can include:
  - Commodity or HPC clusters
  - Disk or tape storage
  - Instruments
  - Data archives
  - Digital libraries
  - Desktop grids
  - Cloud resources



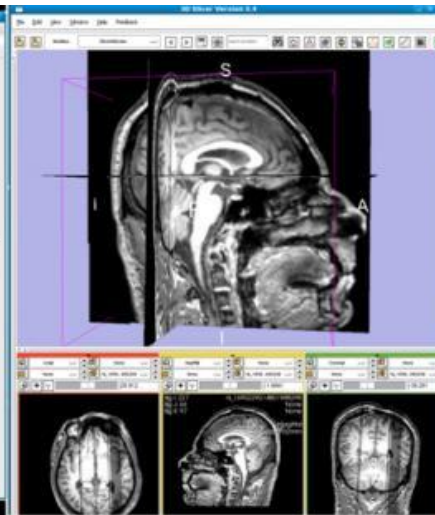
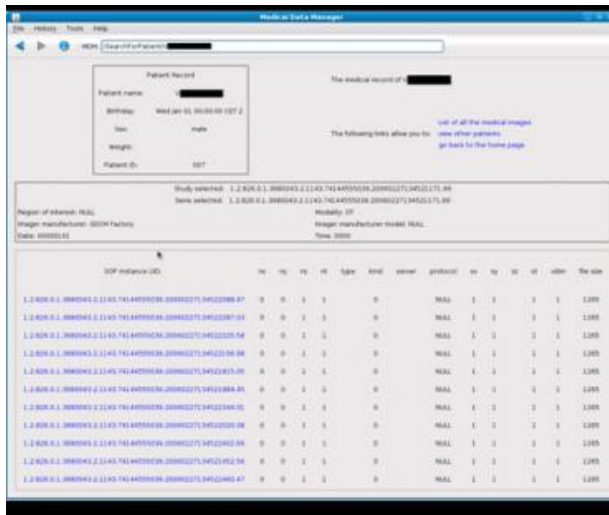
# What does a grid do?



Avian flu research



Neuroscience



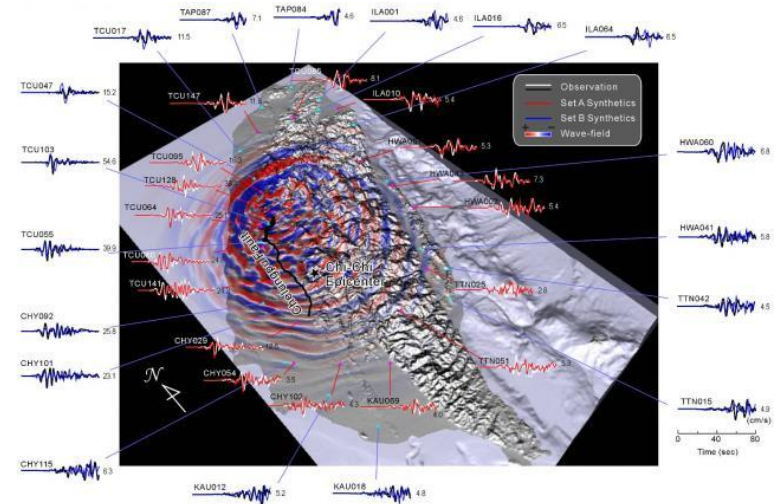
Sharing medical records securely



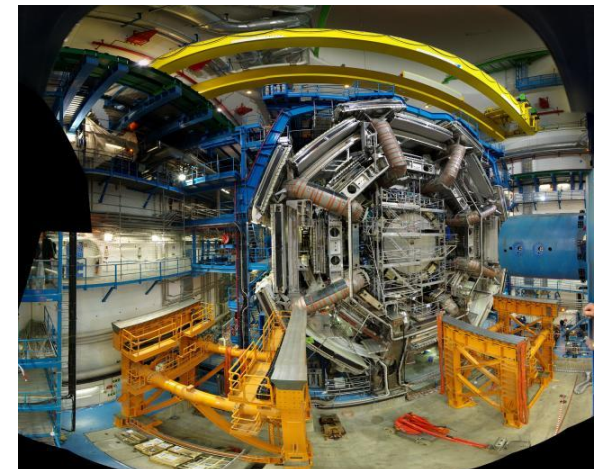
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Species mapping



Earthquake impact modelling



High energy physics

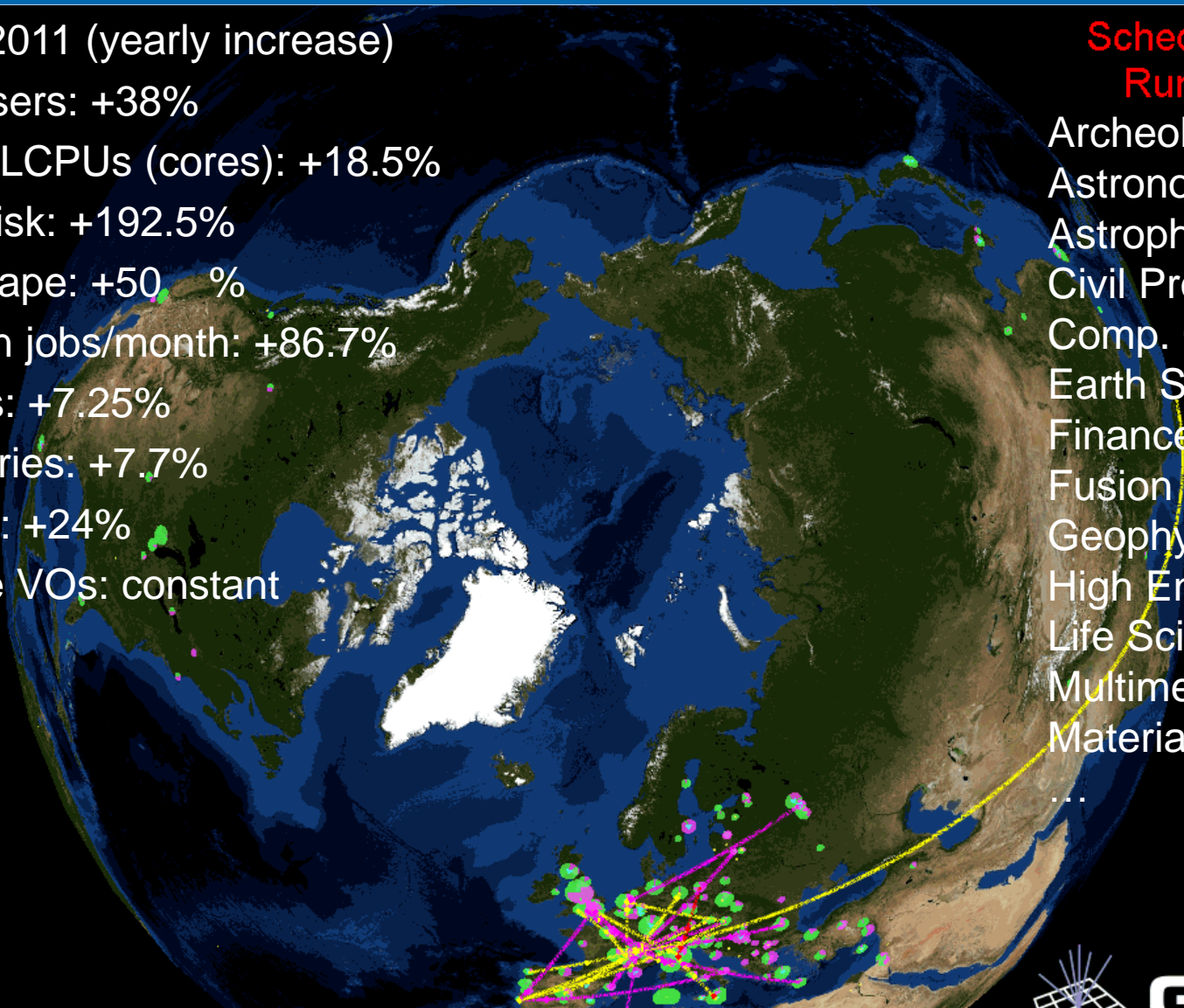
## Status Jan 2011 (yearly increase)

- 13800 users: +38%
- 288000 LCPUs (cores): +18.5%
- 117PB disk: +192.5%
- 91.5PB tape: +50 %
- 28 million jobs/month: +86.7%
- 340 sites: +7.25%
- 56 countries: +7.7%
- 217 VOs: +24%
- 30 active VOs: constant

Scheduled = 21539

Running = 25374

Archeology  
Astronomy  
Astrophysics  
Civil Protection  
Comp. Chemistry  
Earth Sciences  
Finance  
Fusion  
Geophysics  
High Energy Physics  
Life Sciences  
Multimedia  
Material Sciences  
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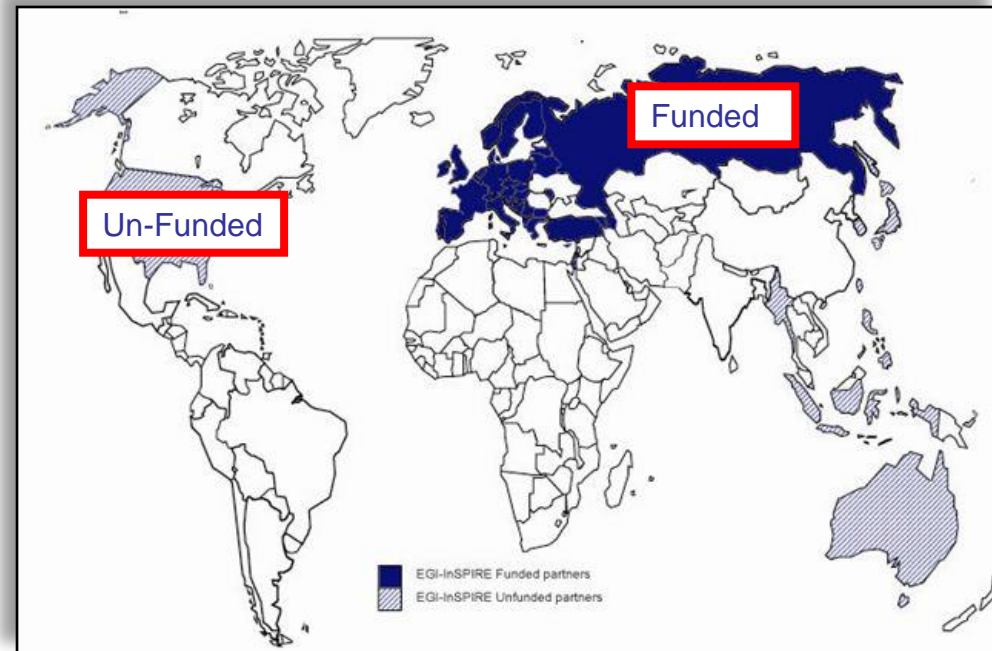
- **EGI = European Grid Infrastructure**
  - The resources used by over 13,000 scientists across Europe
- **EGI.eu = Stichting European Grid Initiative**
  - Based in Amsterdam
  - Director is Steven Newhouse
  - Governed by an Executive Board
  - Overseen by a larger Council with representatives from 33 NGIs (countries) & / EIROs (research communities)
  - Celebrated our first birthday on 8<sup>th</sup> February!



## Integrated Sustainable Pan-European Infrastructure for Researchers in Europe

- A 4 year project with €25M EC contribution
  - Project cost €72M
  - Total Effort ~€330M
  - Effort: 9261PMs

Project Partners (47)  
 EGI.eu, 37 NGIs, 2 EIROS  
 Asia Pacific (8 partners)





- Will come from outside EGI
  - Moving research technologies into production
- Partnership with technology projects
  - EMI (European Middleware Initiative)
  - IGE (Initiative for Globus in Europe)
  - EDGI (European Desktop Grid Initiative)
  - StratusLab
  - VenusC



- Will also come from outside EGI
  - EGI is a neutral platform for applications
- EGI cannot support all services in its core
  - Every community needs something different
- Foster innovation within different ‘sectors’
  - Digital Libraries
    - gCube from D4Science



- An infrastructure to support European Researchers
  - Within the EU27
  - Geographical Europe
  - Interoperability worldwide for collaboration
- Work with Virtual Research Communities
  - Groupings of aligned Virtual Organisations
  - Enable their community specific support activity:
    - Support, training, consultancy, requirements etc.



Open Science Grid

- Letters
- Newsletters
- Website
- Wiki
- Blogs
- Social Media
- Events

