# **Managing Projects and Data with B-Fabric**

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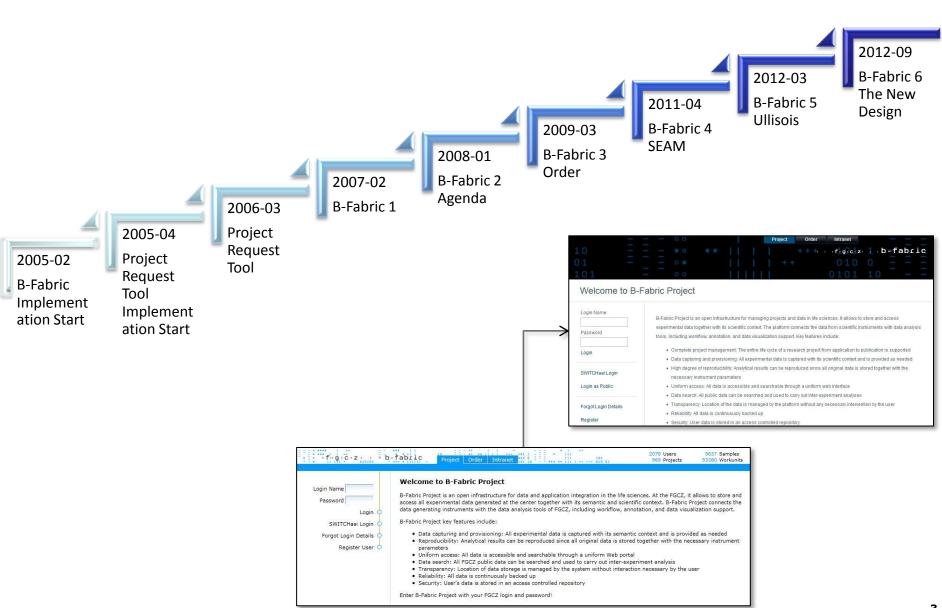
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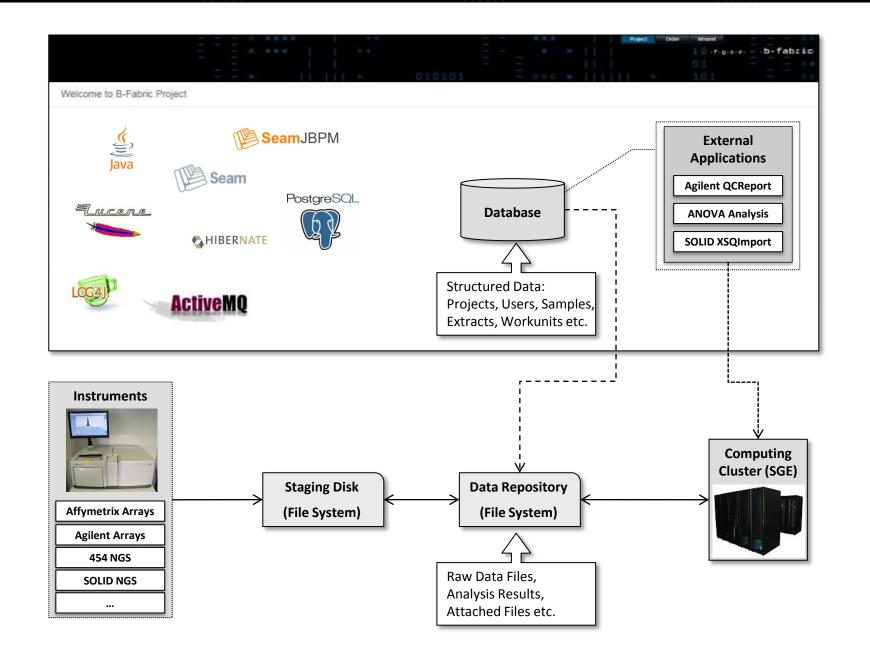
## B-Fabric - The FGCZ Approach to Managing Projects and Data



# **B-Fabric History**



## **B-Fabric Architecture**



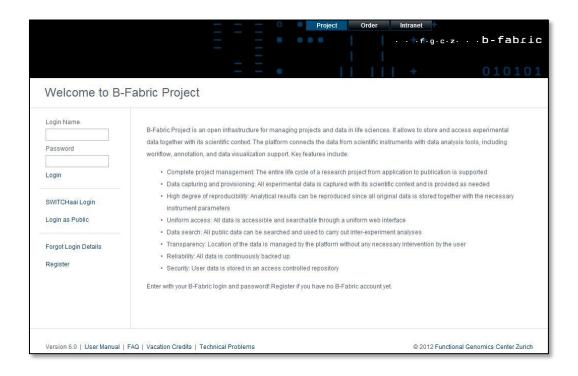
## Core B-Fabric Objects

#### Running@FGCZ since Februar 2007 2638 Users Institutes 542 biological source **Organizations** 142 Sample **Extract** 0..\* 0..1 **Companies** 41 0..\* 0..\* 0..1 **Orders** 3567 **Projects** 1224 **Extracts** 13017 experiment source Workunits 66851 Resources 116177 **Project Database Tables** 168 **Data Repository** > 100 TB Facts as of November 13, 2012 0..\* 0..\* 0..\* comprises produces **Application** Workunit Resource 0..\* 1..\* 0..\* 1..\* 0..\* 0..\* input

### **B-Fabric Project**

#### **Functionality**

- Submit/Review/Coach/Publish Projects
- Manage Project Members
- Import/Annotate Data Files
- One-click Access to "My" Data
- Browse Data Network
- Quick/Advanced Search
- Export/Download Data
- Create/Run External Applications
- Manage Annotations
- Manage Services
- Submit/Process/Track Project Orders
- Charge/Invoice Projects/Orders
- Reserve/Charge Instruments
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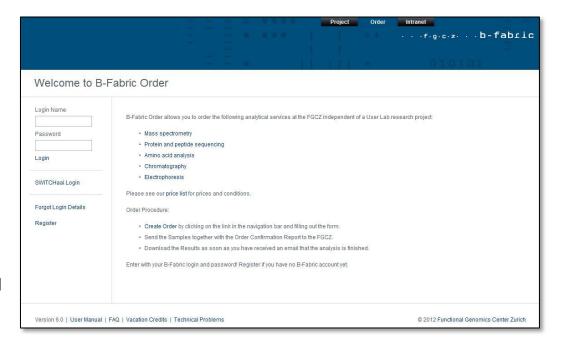


- Reduce Time/Costs for Project/Order Application/Management
- Track Entire Project/Order Life Cycle
- Capture/Manage/Provide Data
- Allow Access-Controlled Data Sharing
- Dynamically Add/Revise Services/Functionality
- Generate Statistics/Reports

### **B-Fabric Order**

#### **Functionality**

- Edit Orders
- Upload Sequence Files
- Browse Orders
- Upload/Download Results
- Invoice Orders
- Orders are here Service Orders addressed to the FGCZ Protein Analysis Group

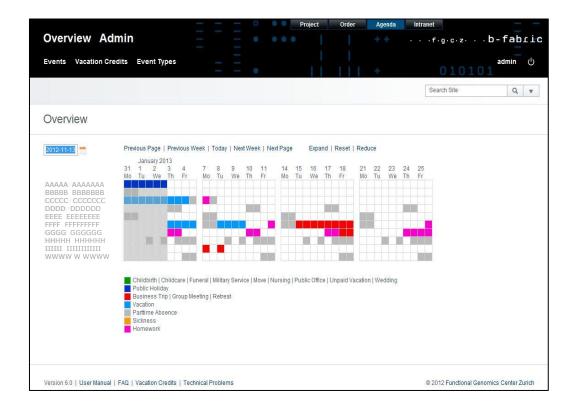


- Ease Ordering/Managing FGCZ services
- Track Entire Order Management Process (Communication, Results, Invoices etc.)
- Reduce Time/Costs for Order Management
- Improve Support and Automate FGCZ Services
- Generate Reports

## **B-Fabric Agenda**

#### **Functionality**

- Edit Events/Vacation Credits
- Browse Events/Vacation Credits
- Overview Events
- Generate Reports



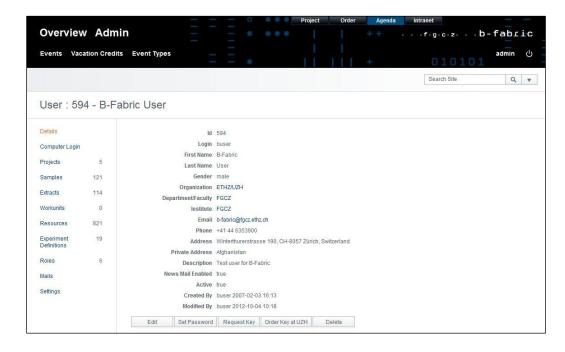
- Managing Employee Absences
- Managing Vacation Credits
- Vacation Calculation/Reporting
- Adjustable Events Overview

## **B-Fabric Common Features**

#### **Functionality**

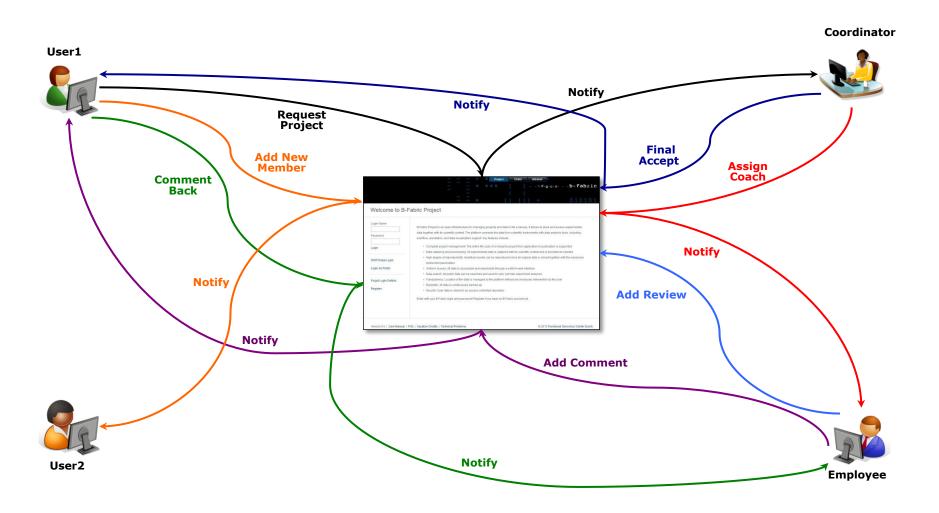
- Registering users
- Managing user accounts
- Managing roles
- Browsing mails
- Merging duplicates
- Cleaning unassigned objects
- Sending messages to selected users
- Request access to the FGCZ lab

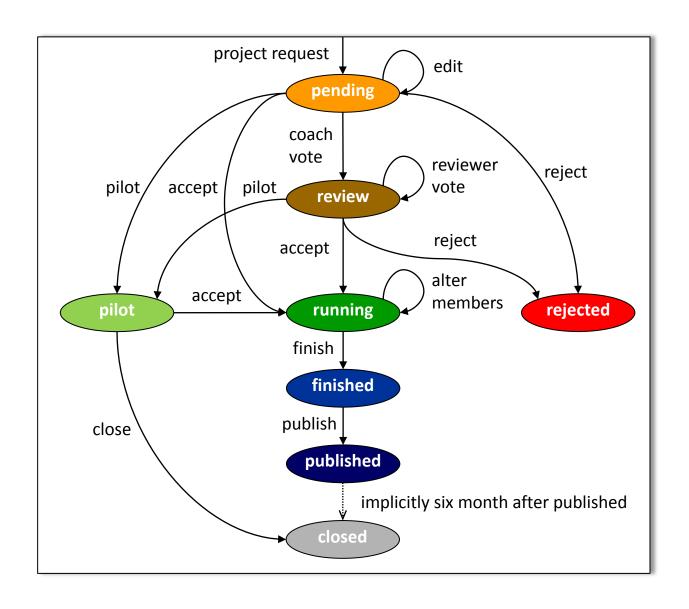
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- Transparent login generation
- FGCZ-wide password management (automatic password push to relevant FGCZ services)
- Event-driven email notifications
- Task management

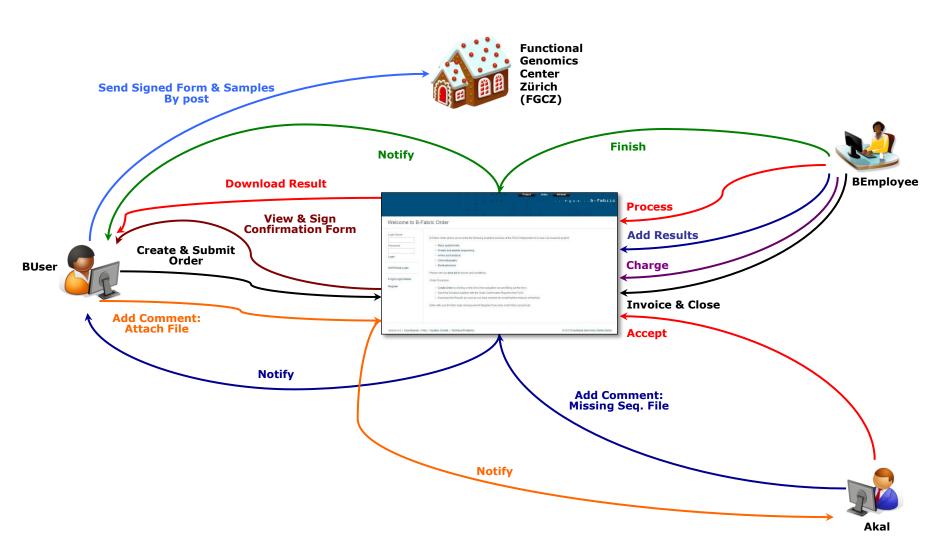
#### Application, Reviewing, Communication, State Tracking, Member Mgmt., Data Mgmt., Reporting

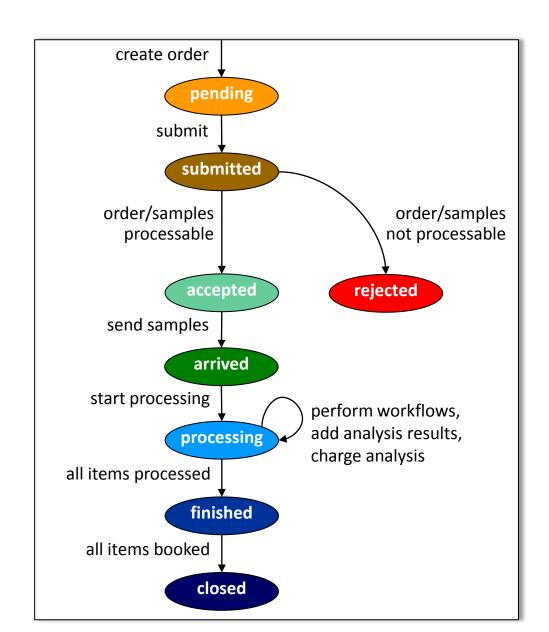




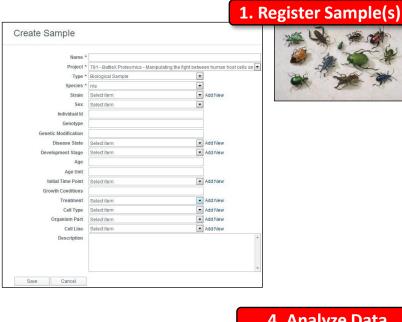
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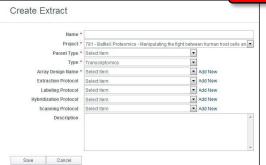




## Scientific Data Management



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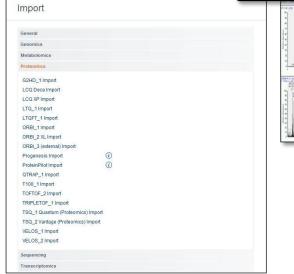


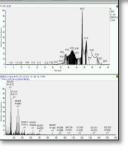
#### 4. Analyze Data



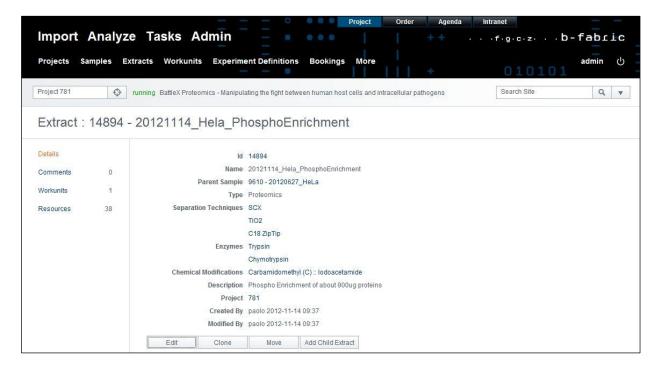


#### 3. Import Data

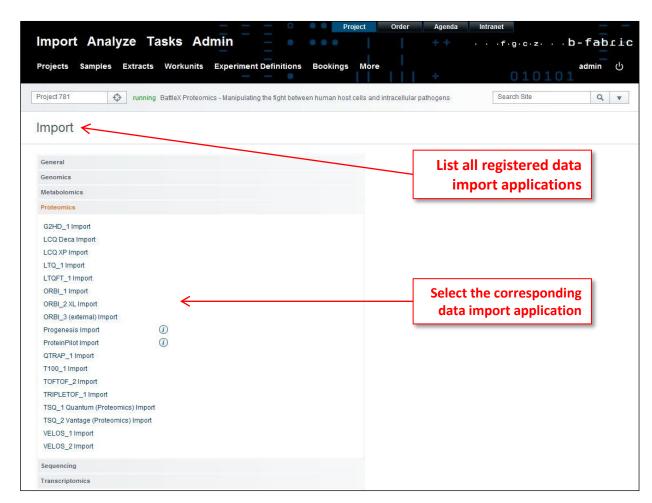




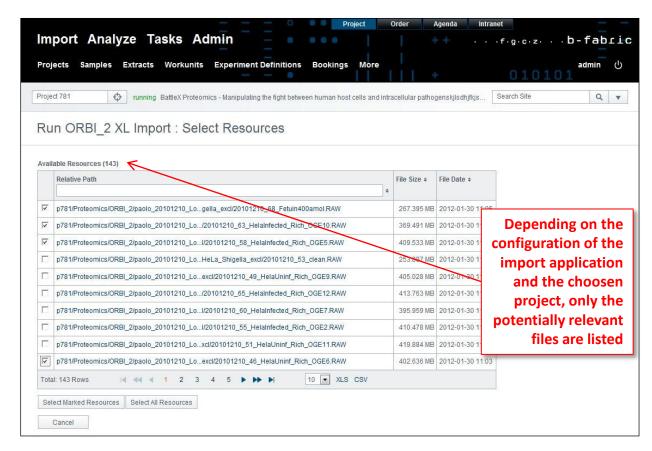
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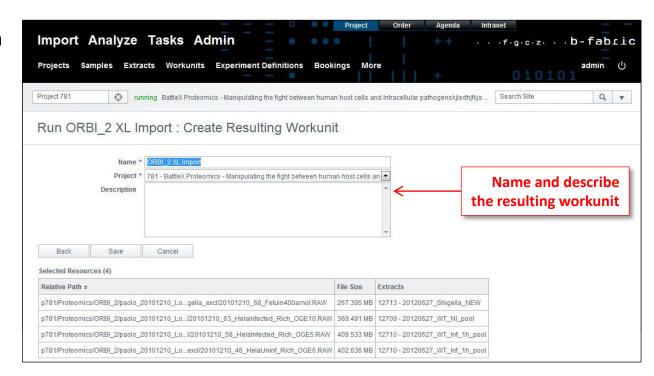
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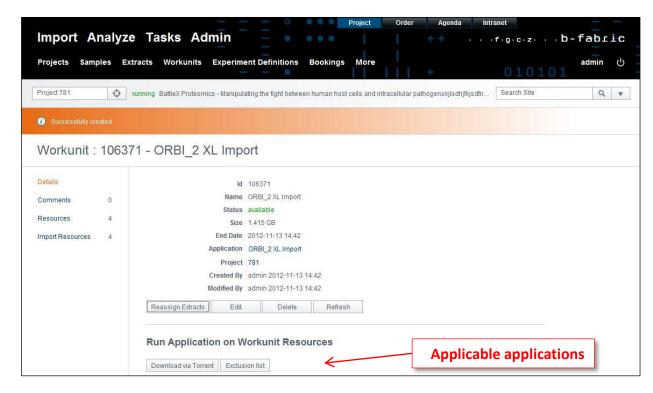
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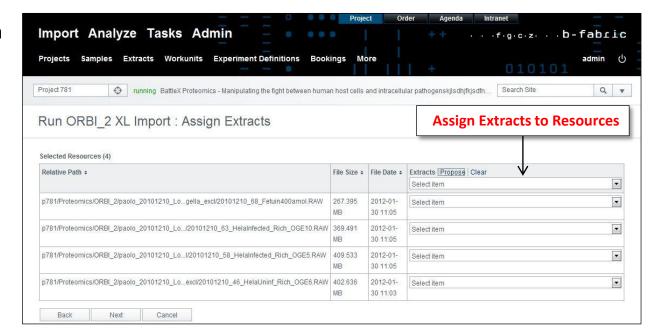
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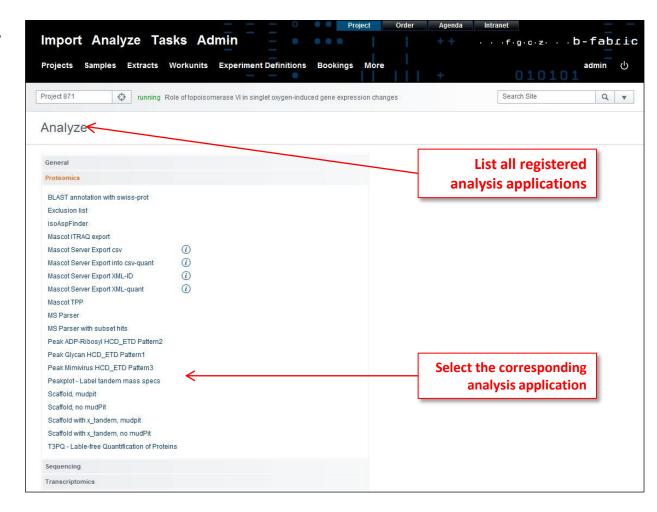
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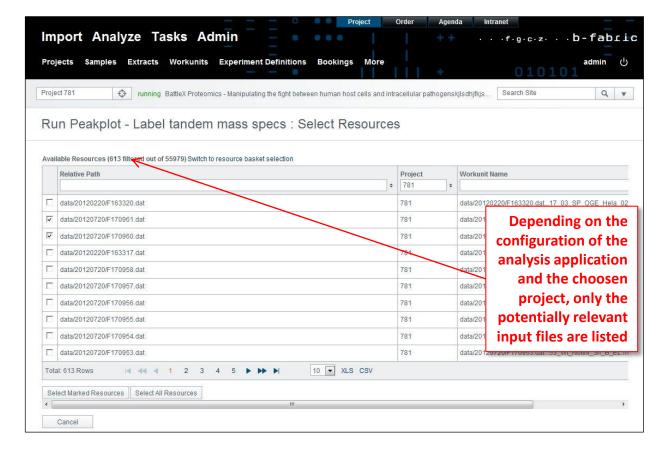
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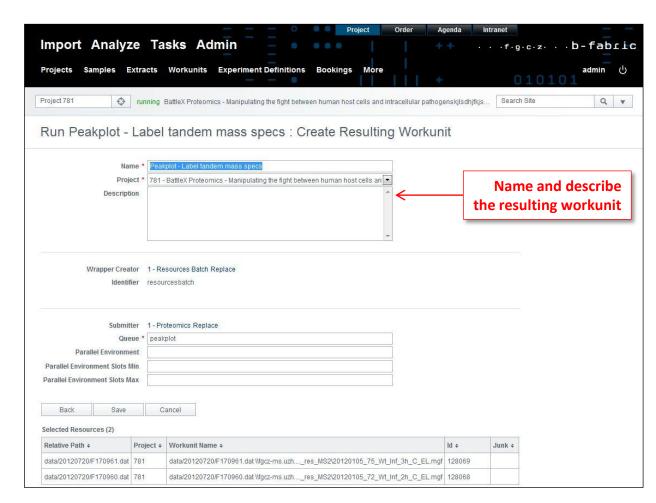
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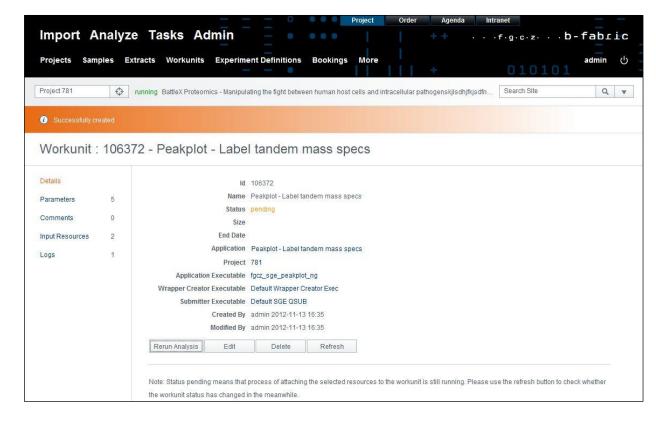
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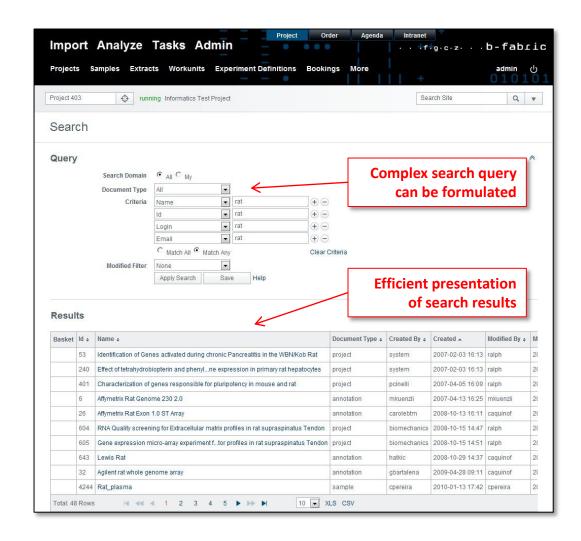


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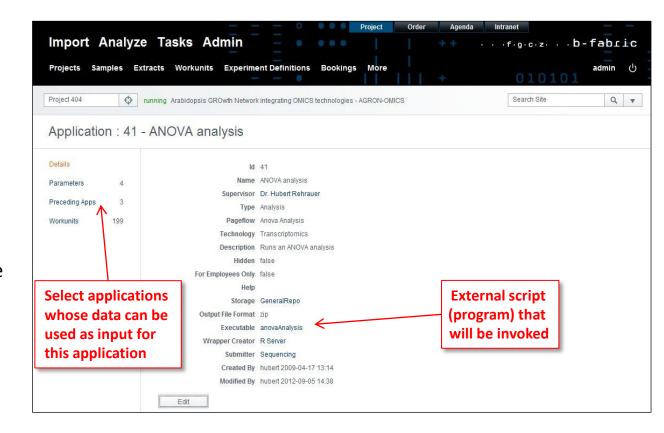
# Data Search

- Quick vs. Advanced Search
- Sortable data tables with filters



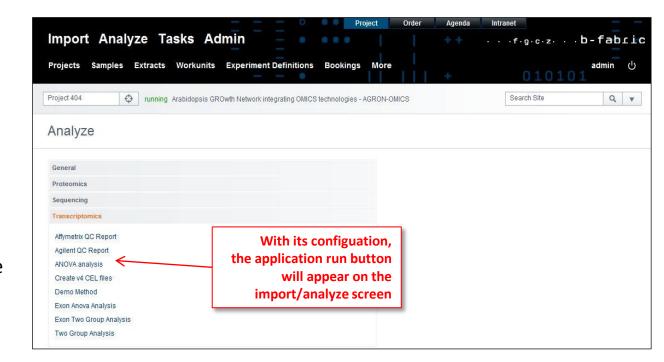
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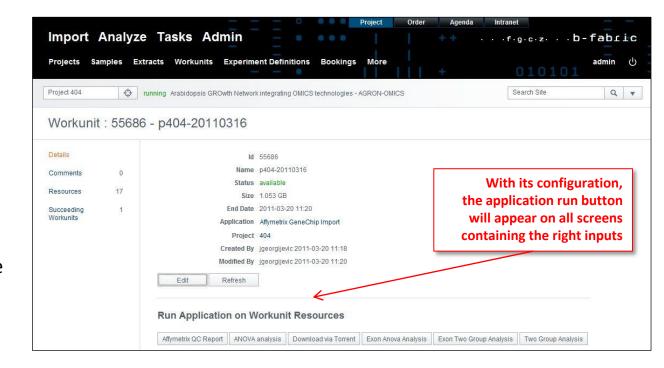
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### Summary: B-Fabric Benefits

- Secure, long-term data storage
- Easy web-based data access
- Fast access to relevant data
- Sophisticated data search
- Data reuse
- Reduced annotation work through automatic export to external marts
- Access-controlled data sharing
- Communication tracking
- Easy application/analysis invocation
- Workflow tracking (→ basis for reproducibility of research results)
- Increased data (research) quality

- Transparent management of users, projects, ...
- Ad-hoc addition of new services
- Generation of reports etc.
- Charging / Invoicing
- Task management (user guidance)
- Event-driven email notifications
- Tracking centers resources/capacities
- Major administration tasks automated (user registration, FGCZ-wide password management, FGCZ access request, ...)

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