

## **The University of Melbourne Health Informatics Network**

### **Email news bulletin September-October 2008**

#### **CHIRS**

Our next two Collaborative Health Informatics Research Social (CHIRS) get-togethers will be Thursday 16th October and Thursday 20 November. We meet 5-6:30 PM in the lounge at University House. All welcome; contact one of the convenors (below) if you need directions. No need to RSVP. If a colleague / student / research partner is interested, please bring them along. In 2008 CHIRS is once again sponsored by VeRSI, the Victorian eResearch Strategic Initiative <http://versi.edu.au>

#### **Global evidence mapping (GEM) seminar**

Hosted by the Department of Information Systems, Friday 17 October, 11:15am-12:30pm, Alan Gilbert Building, Theatre 1. Contact: Peter Seddon [p.seddon@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:p.seddon@unimelb.edu.au) More information about GEM [www.evidencemap.org](http://www.evidencemap.org)

#### **Research roundtable**

The University of Melbourne Health Informatics Steering Committee and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, USA will co-host a roundtable Thursday 6 November to discuss and develop specific research collaborations in biomedical and health informatics. The roundtable will be held as a special videoconference using access grid technology. A limited number of places are available for non-biomedical observers who have a particular research interest in e-collaboration aspects of e-research or cyber-infrastructure. If you wish to express an interest in attending as an observer please email [health-informatics@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:health-informatics@unimelb.edu.au) by 22 September.

#### **Virtual Physiological Human (VPH)**

Forthcoming computational biomedicine issues of Philosophical Transactions A of the Royal Society in 2009 will feature University of Melbourne work on the Kidneyome project. Current issues include mitochondrial ion channels, nasal architecture, a virtual lung, and an investigation of patient-specific simulation as a basis for clinical decision making; about these publications <http://publishing.royalsociety.org/index.cfm?page=1812> . More about the European Union's VPH Network of Excellence [www.vph-noe.eu](http://www.vph-noe.eu)

#### **Call for papers**

Papers that address both cognitive reasoning and physical skill aspects of clinical training are requested by 31 October for a special issue of *Methods of Information in Medicine* on the topic of intelligent clinical training systems. Details at [www2.medcomp.comp.nus.edu.sg/ojs/index.php/mim-icts/about](http://www2.medcomp.comp.nus.edu.sg/ojs/index.php/mim-icts/about)

#### **Steering Committee news**

Health Informatics Steering Committee meetings for the balance of 2008 are Mondays October 6<sup>th</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup> and December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like more information about these meetings please contact a Reference Group member: Ann Borda, Jim Black, Kathleen Gray, Peter Harris (Chair), Graeme Hart, Marianne Hibbert, Reeva Lederman, Teng Liaw, Graeme Shanks, Loane Skene, Liz Sonenberg, Leon Sterling, Justin Zobel.

If you have news, ideas, or items of interest for the next HINet bulletin please contact us by November 10<sup>th</sup>. If you know of someone who would like to be on the mailing list, just let us know.

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