

Release notes for Version 2.4 of Labnodes

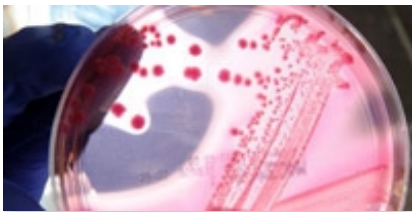
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We have resolved 123 ticketed new features, tasks, bugs, or improvements. Significant improvements are listed below.

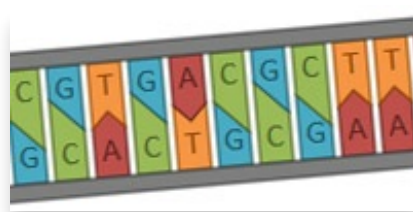
## Highlights

### Bacterial Strains



Introducing a new resource type is always exciting. We have worked with multiple labs to establish what we hope will be a flexible model for collecting key annotations pertaining to bacterial strains. If you need assistance with importing your data, please [contact us](#). See examples [1](#) and [2](#).

### Primers



A new resource type for DNA primers now provides a way to keep track of the primers in your lab or projects. If you need assistance with importing your data, please [contact us](#). See examples [1](#) and [2](#).

### VICC-CCSG



We welcome the VICC to Labnodes, whom we have been working with to develop a Publications Database and survey mechanism to facilitate the capture of historical data required for the CCSG grant renewal. [Explore the VICC today!](#)

## Improvements

- **Meeting Titles** - Seminar and meeting titles have been added to the member dashboard.
- **Biosafety Level Selection Buttons** - Added radio buttons to make selections of biosafety level easier in the respective resource type forms.
- **Page Consistency** - Improved consistency on resource view pages.
- **Mycoplasma Testing for Cell Lines** - We have added an option for "not tested/unknown."
- **MMRC ID** - A new field for MMRC ID has been added to the mouse resource.
- **Number of Allowable Characters** - Previous limits have been adjusted to meet current needs in both first name and community name fields.
- **New Tissue Types for Cell Lines** - We have added three new tissue types for cell lines: epithelium, embryo and hybridoma.
- **Mouse Genetics Annotations** - Gene name, gene symbol and NCBI gene ID fields have been added for both the promoter and the expressed gene.
- **Upcoming Meetings Links** - Now any links to upcoming meetings automatically default to the current date and will display all upcoming meetings.
- **Image Alignment and Padding** - Images added to content boxes may be aligned left, right, center and we have improved the spacing around images.
- **Community Titles** - The maximum length for these titles has been increased to 125 characters.
- **Duplicate Communities** - Member communities are now only listed once, regardless of how many times the member has been invited and/or removed from a community.
- **Presentation Titles** - These have been added, when available, to meetings pages.
- **Send a Message** - Messages may now include up to 500 characters.

- **API Extension** - The API has been extended to provide a member lookup via VUNetID and to provide a list of users via a community ID.
- **DRTC Landing Page** - Various improvements were made to the Diabetes Research and Training Center landing page.
- **Previous Affiliations Hidden** - If an active affiliation exists, previous (inactive) affiliations are hidden, thus eliminating a member being listed as active and inactive.
- **Uploading Images** - This feature has been simplified.
- **Publication Graph** - Improved member recognition allows all publications to be graphed.
- **Resource Import scripts** - We created import scripts for Cell Lines and Bacterial Strains, which are re-usable for other groups. Please inquire.
- **Dashboard Add a Resource** - The resource type menu has been improved and you can now select your workspace as a target.