# Flight Tracker Consortium Meeting

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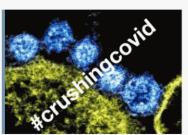
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# **Meeting Agenda**



What's New?
What's Next?
Office Hours with Rebecca & Scott

### What's New?

FLIGHT TRACKER for scholars

- Abstracts from NIH ExPORTER and PubMed
- NIH ExPORTER now going back to the 1980s!
- Email Queue
- Change in Bibliometrics Downloads
- Adding Veterans Administration support
- New tutorial on website

### Abstracts from ExPORTER/PubMed



- Data request for analysis of a group of scholars by keywords
- Searched grant/publication titles → Want to search abstracts
- Fortunately, NIH ExPORTER/RePORTER and PubMed has both
- New fields in REDCap (2.30.0) & automatically downloaded





### NIH ExPORTER back to the 1980s



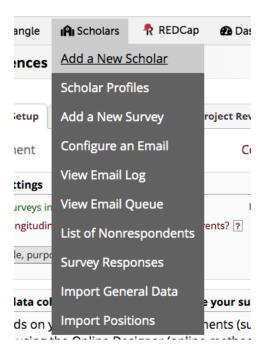
- The NIH ExPORTER/RePORTER originally exported their database back to 2009. Thus, this was the limit on NIH ExPORTER data.
- However, the RePORTER folks have updated their databases so that we can match grants back as far as 1985!
- Thus, you can do <u>historical comparisons</u> about how your institution has progressed in NIH funding.
- These updates occur in Flight Tracker versions 2.30.0 and above.



### **Email Queue**



- See which emails are scheduled to go out.
- Already have an email generator and an email log.



### **Bibliometrics Download**



- Need to keep up to date.
- Issue: Rate-limiters on API download
  - 3 per second per multiple PMIDs PubMed
  - 1 per second per one PMID Altmetrics
- Was running one day per month (18<sup>th</sup>)
  - → At Vanderbilt, lasted well into afternoon



- Now, space out throughout each day of the month (only a sample)
- Still updated once a month
- Working on (free?) API key support from Altmetrics

### **Veterans Administration**



- Academic medical centers and VAs have historically had close associations (VA CDAs, research projects, etc.)
- We recently realized that we were not searching through the "Veterans Health Administration" on PubMed or the RePORTER systems.



- Added it alongside a match on the city to Federal RePORTER, NIH ExPORTER, and PubMed sweeps.
  - Match by name, institution, and (in case of VA) city





- Based on a short presentation to the CTSA directors' group.
- Introduces Flight Tracker at a high level in 6:20.
- Good to send to colleagues to tell them what Flight Tracker is about.

https://redcap.vanderbilt.edu/plugins/career\_dev/consortium/



### What's Next?



- Patents Continuing work on automated downloads
- Applicant Pool Soliciting Feedback
- Monthly Demo Meetings First on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 17
- Financial Refinements

### **Downloading Patent Data**



- Chad Lightner exploring on back-burner project
- Downloading from api.patentsview.org
- Working on verifying results of download



### **Applicant Pool Trial Balloons**





- Training grant applicants
- NIH Table 6 A/B
- Gather publication data back from 5-15 years
- Rebecca Helton currently does this at Vanderbilt by a separate REDCap project with an applicant survey.
- Combine with project to make guided/customized Flight Tracker project with different features for different uses (?). Include sample applicant survey.
- Feedback before design?

### Flight Tracker Demonstrations



- Going to coordinate demos into **one monthly demo** for anyone interested. This is a general overview of Flight Tracker.
- First is on Wednesday afternoon, February 17.
- Email <a href="mailto:scott.j.pearson@vumc.org">scott.j.pearson@vumc.org</a> for an invitation.
- Home Team: Vanderbilt groups will continue to have one-on-one sessions.





- Rebecca Helton and I have spent a lot of time on ordering grants, but we've spent much less time on financial figures.
- We're doing some more rigorous testing of these figures with the hope that they'll be used.
- Feedback: What outputs would be helpful?



## Office Hours with Rebecca & Scott



