Geant4 North American Medical Users Organization - G4NAMU

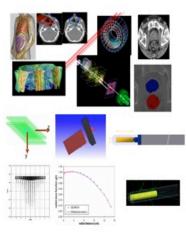
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What ...

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Who ...

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While many G4NAMU resources are provided by the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory's <u>Geant4 team</u>, G4NAMU is intended to be a consensus organization that evolves as needed by its members.

How ...

G4NAMU communicates through a mailing list, geant4namu@slac.stanford.edu. The list is lightly moderated just to maintain focus and prevent spam.

- To join the list, send mail to perl@slac.stanford.edu
- Hints on using the mailing list

<u>http://geant4.slac.stanford.edu/g4namu/</u>

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Membership

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Current subscribers to the mailing list (page 1 of 5):

- SLAC: Joseph Perl, Makoto Asai, Jeremy McCormick, Dennis Wright
- Harvard & Mass General: Harald Paganetti, Xing-Qi Lu, Joao Seco, Benjamin Clasie, Cindy Hancox, Basit Athar, Xinhua Li, Samuel Palomares
- UCSF: Bruce Faddegon, Inder Daftari, Adam Cunha
- ULaval: Louis Archambault, Luc Beaulieu, Francois Therriault-Proulx, Hossein Afsharpour, Michel D'Amours
- CHUQ: Luc Gingras
- UPenn: Steven Avery , Dickson Goulart, Jim McDonough, Chris Ainsley
- Stanford: Lei Xing, Paul Keall, Magdalena Bazalova, Magdalena Constantin, Dragos Constantin, Matt Noll
- Louisiana State University: Blair Smith, John Chapman
- -Fox Chase: Charlie Ma, Jiajin Fan, Jinsheng Li
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- Current subscribers to the mailing list (continued):
- McGill: Emily Poon, Jan Seuntjens, Brigitte Reniers, Andrew Alexander
- Triumf: Peter Gumplinger, Frederick Jones
- Memorial Sloan-Kettering: C. Ross Schmidtlein, Assen Kirov, Sadek Nehmeh, Christopher Danford
- Johns Hopkins: Ben Tsui, Jingyan Xu, Eric Frey, Mikhail Shilov, Yong Du
- University of Arkansas: Xuejun Weng, Yulong Yan
- Jefferson Lab: Paul Gueye, Stan Majewski, David Hamlette, Marion MacCormic, Nnenna Onumah, Nanda Karthik, Yuriy Prilepskiy
- Advanced Laser Light Source: Jean-Claude Kieffer, Jean-Philippe Moreau
- University of Wisconsin Madison: Hazim A Jaradat, Jonathan Engle, Miao Zhang
- University of Wisconsin Milwaukee: Lisa Goggin
- INRS: François Vidal, Sylvain Fourmaux, Ludovic Lecherbourg, Rémy Toth
- Université de Sherbrooke: Daniel Houde
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- Current subscribers to the mailing list (continued):
- University of Alberta: Robert Fedosejev, Craig Unick
- Walter Reed Army Medical Center: Kevin Kramer
- University of Washington: Ruth Schmitz
- University of Minnesota: Lihong Qin
- Rensselaer Polytechnic: Bryan Bednarz, Valery Taranenko
- Emory University: Ioannis Sechopoulos
- University of Arizona: Don Wilson
- EXELAR Medical Corp & Rush University: Gocha Khelashvili
- University of Florida: Yuxin Feng, Alexei Chvetsov, Badal Juneja
- Idaho State University: Eddie Tatar
- IN2P3: Sebastien Incerti
- UC Santa Cruz: Hartmut Sadrozinski
- McMaster University: Victor Kreft
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- Current subscribers to the mailing list (continued):
- MD Anderson Cancer Center: Xiaoning Ding, Jerimy Polf, James Yang, Steve Peterson, Gabriel Sawakuchi, Lingyun Chen
- Mayo Clinic: Oleksandr Dzyubak, Xin Liu, Nicholas Remmes
- University of Montreal: Jean-François Carrier, Philippe Després, Martin Gauthier
- Vanderbilt University: Jonathan Rogers, David Ernst
- Universidad Nacional de Colombia: Luz Stella Veloza Salcedo
- ESA, ESTEC: Petteri Nieminen, Giovanni Santin
- University of Kentucky: Dharmin Desai
- Oklahoma Health Sciences Center: Yong Chen, Salahuddin Ahmad
- University of Virginia: Stanley Benedict
- Agile Engineering: Chad Bircher
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital: Chris Beltran, Ishtiaq Bercha
- Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center: Christina Skourou
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- Current subscribers to the mailing list (continued):
- Loma Linda University Medical Center: Andrew Wroe
- University of Southern California: Hongyu Jiang
- UT Health Science Center at San Antonio: Xudong Wang, Yongjun Zhai
- Duke University: Anuj Kapadia
- Syndey University: Zdenka Kuncic
- BARC, Mumbai: Bibek Mishra
- Sibley Memorial Hospital: Zhenyu Shou
- Copenhagen University Hospital: Christina Zacharatou
- Texas A&M: Fada Guan
- Ohio State: Zhibin Huang
- Cross Cancer Institute, Edmonton: Yingli Zhao
- Advanced Radiation Physics, Houston: Meng Wei Ho
- Norris Cotton Cancer Center: Nathan Nelson
- Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla: Eva Medel Baez Jul 2009 Geant4 North American Medical Users Organization J. Perl

G4NAMU within the World Geant4 Collaboration

- Of course all Geant4 users are part of a world wide community.
 - Medical Applications forum and other user forums are available for discussion and exchange, as well as other Geant4 workshops and meetings.
- But regional efforts also have a role.
 - In Europe, there is now a corresponding organization, G4EMU <u>http://g4emu.wikispaces.com/</u> (functions as a Wiki, but not as a mailing list)
 - In Japan, many efforts has been organized through Takashi Sasaki of KEK as part of JST/CREST
 - In North America, there is G4NAMU

G4NAMU's Role

- G4NAMU serves as voice of the North American
 Geant4 Medical User community
- We've used it to:
 - Foster nearby collaborations
 - Pass the word about workshops and tutorials
 - Advertise for Geant4-related jobs
 - Collect requirements for Geant4 developers
 - Notify about important changes to Geant4 of specific relevance to medical physics

How Does G4NAMU Work

- We've have created a mailing list that hits just about every significant Geant4 medical user in North America
 - <u>geant4-namu@slac.stanford.edu</u>
 - The list is lightly moderated just to maintain focus and prevent spam
 - To join the list, send mail to perl@slac.stanford.edu
 - Though members are not posting as much as I'd like
- We've met five years in a row now at AAPM
 - With major turn out every year despite the lateness of the hour and someone vendor giving free beer somewhere else
- We'll talk later in this meeting about what else we might do with G4NAMU
 - Provide workshops or tutorial
 - Develop additional Geant4 examples
 - Launch major collaborative projects
 - Collaborate on testing and validation projects
 - Certify physics lists or other shared code
- G4NAMU is your organization

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