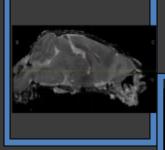
# NEUROLEX: A SEMANTIC WIKI FOR NEUROSCIENCE

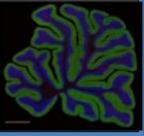
### Stephen D. Larson

Implementing 'Big Open Data' in government through Open Collaboration - case examples and possibilities Joint Data.Gov – Ontolog "Big Open Data" Session 05/17/12

## A multi-scale data problem

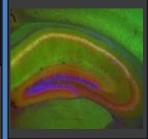


Whole brain data (20 um microscopic MRI)



Mosiac LM images (1 GB+)

Scale



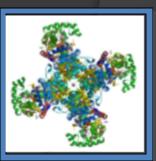
Conventional LM images



Individual cell morphologies

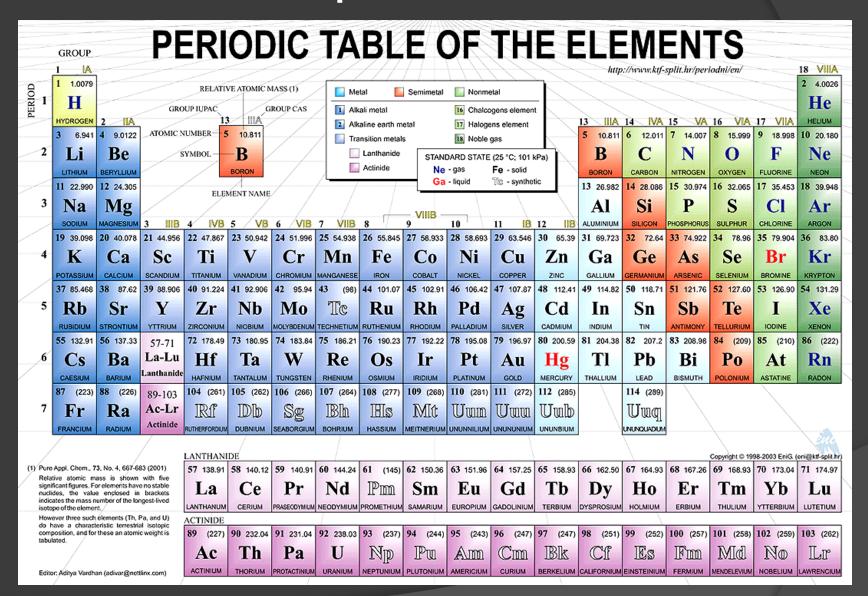


EM volumes & reconstructions

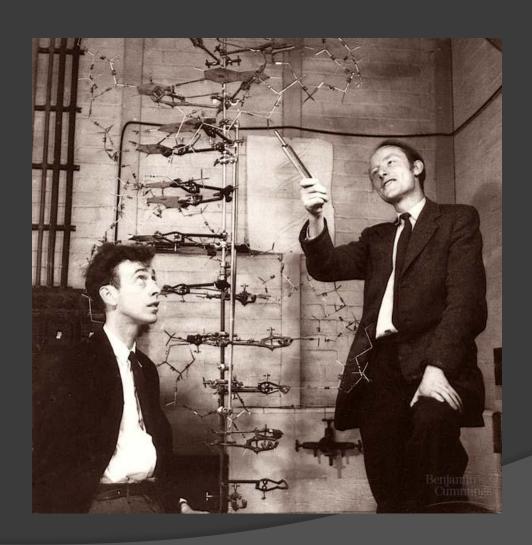


Solved molecular structures 2

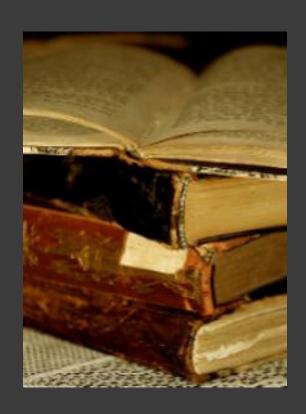
## Framework of parts

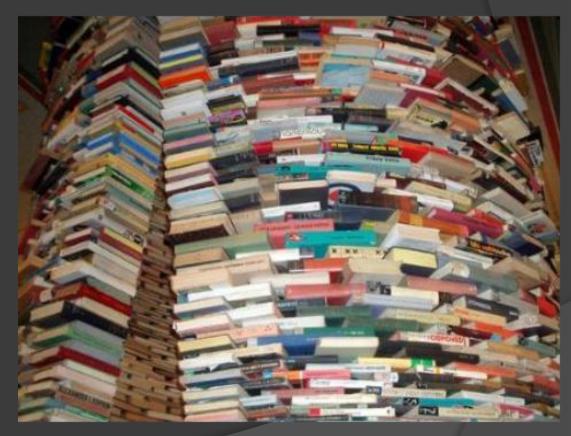


## Multi-scale synthesis in biology



## Organizing frameworks for knowledge

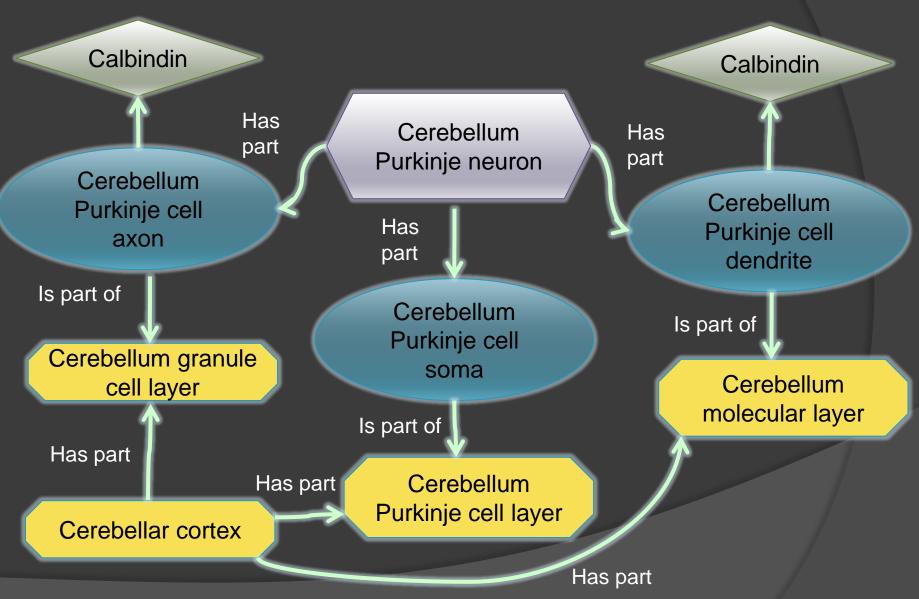


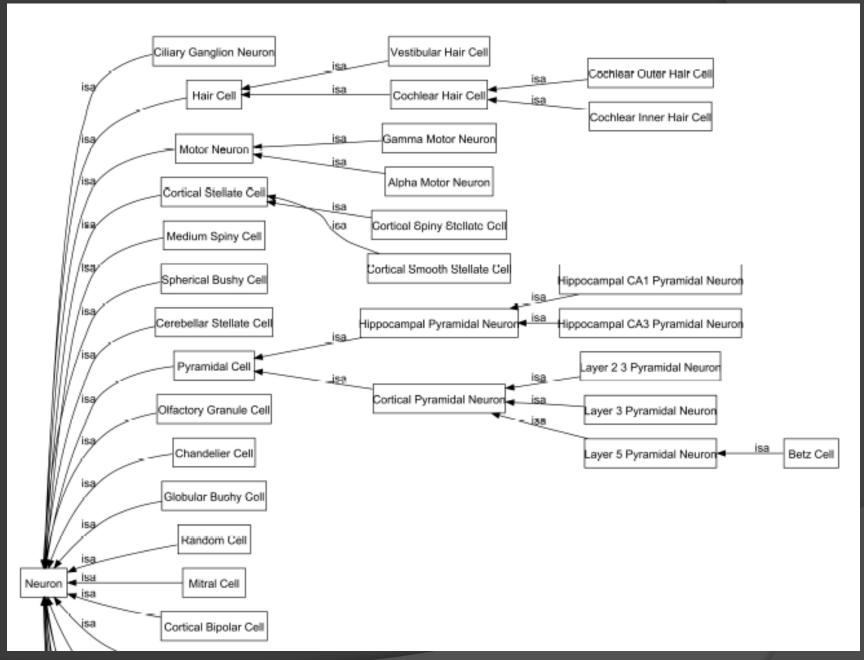


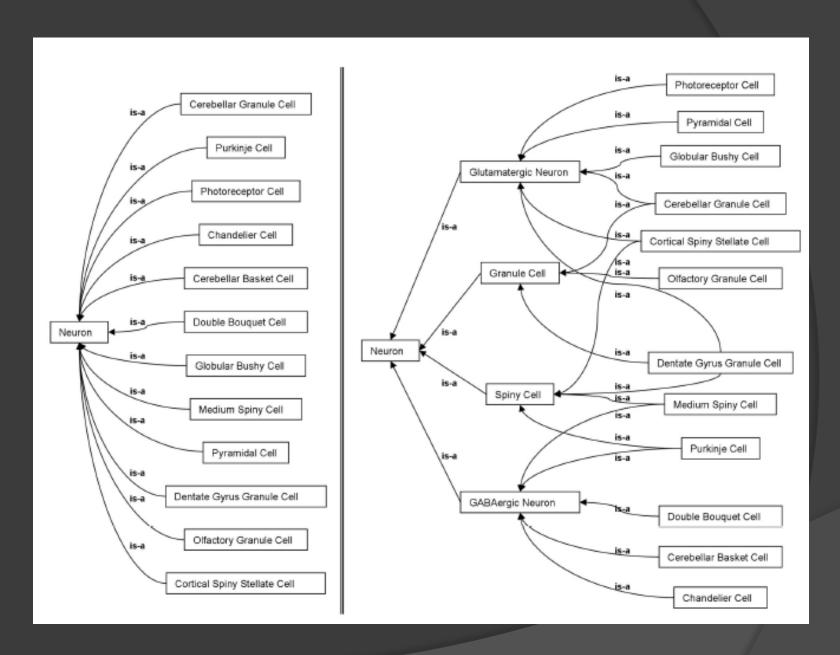
Knowledge in words, terminologies and logical relationships (the "what")

## Past

### Shared building blocks







## Present



#### NEUROSCIENCE INFORMATION FRAMEWORK



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#### NEUROLEX

#### HELP

Registered with NIF? Place this icon on your site.



Find out how.

#### Search for All Things Neuroscience

Search Data Federation





SEARCH TIPS I WHAT IS THIS? (example searches: cerebellum, "outvinar nucleus", denexom 1)

Search NeuroLex

### NIF

Find What You are Looking for.

Faster.



#### Community News & Events

NIF Top 25 Accessed Databases for February 2012

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What are the top 25 accessed databases for February 2012? Find out here! read more »



One Mind for Research announces General Peter W. Chiarelli (US Armv. ret) as Chief Executive Officer @ http://t.co/giuoW6Hu about 17 hours

#### NIF NAVIGATOR

#### LITERATURE →

PubMed (21210473)

#### DATA TYPE →

Animals (271504) Antibodies (935642)

Biospecimen (35833) Brain Activation Foci (56581)

Clinical Trials (107560)

Connectivity (132460)

Dataset (611)

Disease (27067)

Drugs (656465)

Grants (2686257)

Images (591097) Microarray (312252579)

Models (705)

Multimedia (14005)

Pathways (497035)

People (377)

Plasmids (21152)

Software (1116)

#### NERVOUS SYSTEM LEVELS →

Brain Regions (50083)

Cellular Level (29509)

Genes (64754164)

Molecular Level (697691)

Multi-Level (2850991)

Nervous System Function

NIF REGISTRY (4718) →



## Top 25 accessed databases in NIF

- 1. Grants.gov / Opportunity
- 2. SumsDB / Activation Foci
- 3.CCDB / All Information
- 4. Antibody Registry / Abs
- 5.GENSAT / GENSAT
- 6. Research Crossroads / Grants
- 7. BrainInfo /Brain Region
- 8. Drug Related Gene Database
- 9.NIF Integrated Nervous System/Connectivity
- 10.RePORTER / CurrentNIHGrants
- 11.AllenInstitute / MouseBrainAtlas
- 12.OneMind / BioBanks
- 13. Clinical Trials / Clin Tr

- 14.OMIM / Genes
- 15.DrugBank / Drugs
- 16.ModelDB / Models
- 17.NIF Integrated Animals / Available
- 18.Gemma / Microarray
- 19.NIF Integrated Brain
  - Gene/Expression
- 20.EntrezGene / NCBIGene
- 21.NIF Integrated Software / Info
- 22.NIF Integrated Video / Videos
- 23.GeneNetwork / Info
- 24. Neuro Morpho / Neuron Info
- 25. Human Brain Atlas / Michigan

## Need for an online parts list

#### Parts of Cerebellum

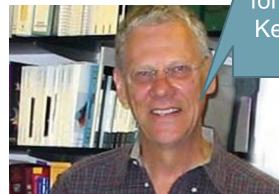
Click the + next to "Cerebellum" to see its parts



- □ ← Cerebellum

  - Flocculonodular lobe

  - Deep cerebellar nuclear complex
  - Cerebellar cortex
    - Climbing fiber
  - Cerebellar Corticopontine Projection
  - Cerebellar Pontocerebellar Projection
    - Cerebellar Serotonergic Afferents
    - Prepositus Nuclear Complex



"We need a parts catalog for the brain" – Society for Neuroscience Keynote lecture, 2009

Larry Swanson,
University of Southern
California

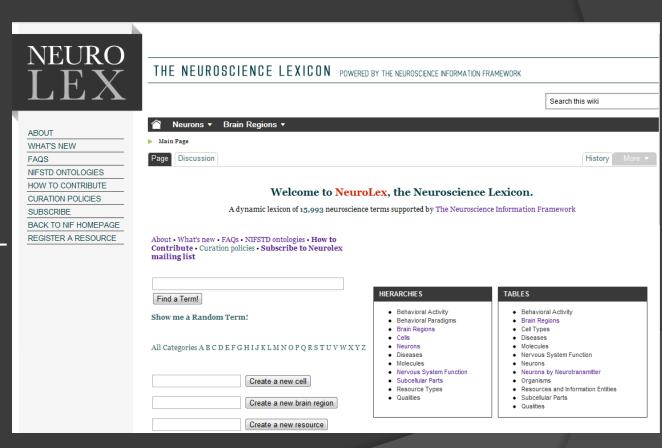
#### Inferred incoming projections for Cerebellum

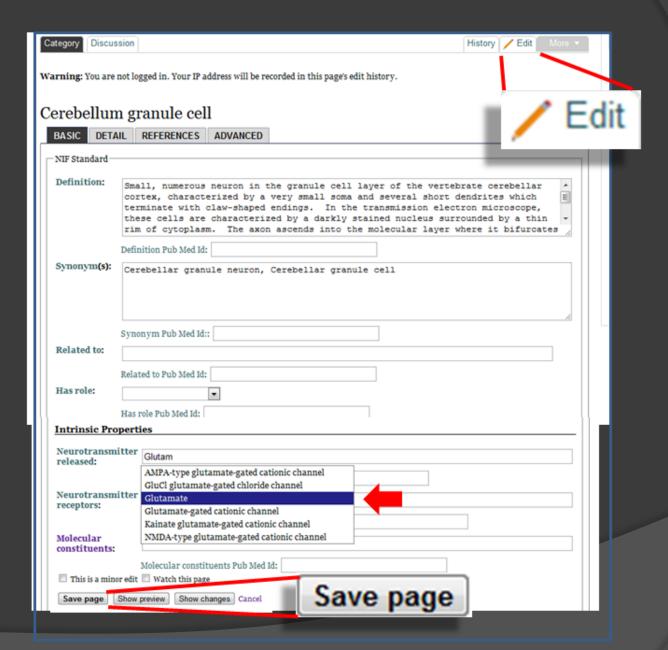
Receives projections from Central cervical spinocerebellar tract, Cerebellar Serotonergic Afferents, Climbing fiber,
Posterior spinocerebellar tract, and Rostral spinocerebellar tract

#### Neurons in Cerebellum

Cerebellum Golgi cell, Cerebellum Lugaro cell, Cerebellum Purkinje cell, Cerebellum basket cell, Cerebellum granule cell, Cerebellum stellate cell, Cerebellum unipolar brush cell, and Golgi II cell are neurons that can be found in Cerebellum or its parts.

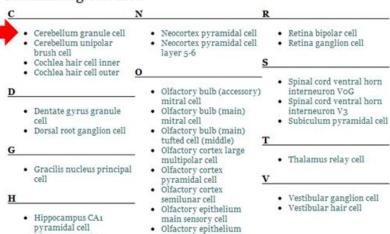
Built on Semantic MediaWiki **Uses Semantic** Forms to Structured data Originally populated from 8-10 community ontologies Allows anyone to edit or create new concepts ~18,000 concepts





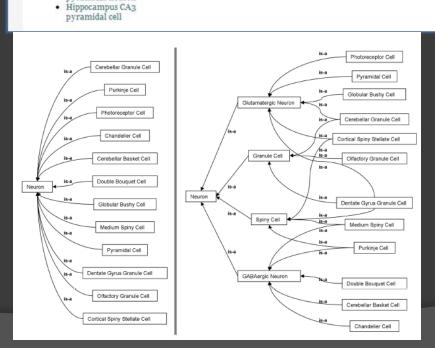
#### Glutamatergic neuron

Hippocampus CA2 pyramidal neuron



· Olfactory epithelium

main supporting cell



#### Cerebellum neuron

BASIC	ADVANCED	FACTBOX		
Name:	Cerebellum neuron			
Description: Neuron whose soma lies in any part of the cerebellum or cerebel		any part of the cerebellum or cerebellar cortex		
Synonym(	: cerebellar cell, cerebellar neuron			
Super- category:	Defined neur	Defined neuron class		
Id:	nlx_cell_09	nlx_cell_0912002		
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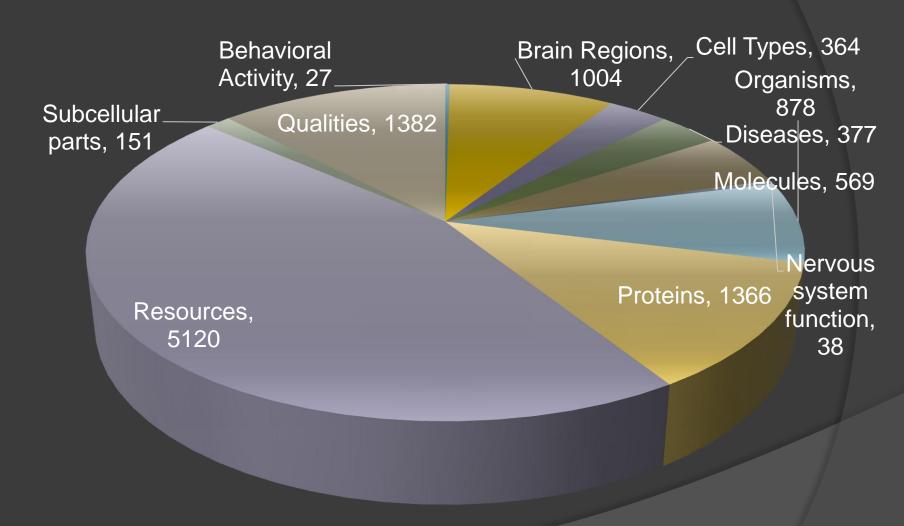
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		granule cell

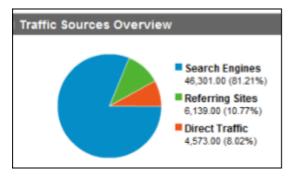
#### Molecular layer of cerebellar cortex

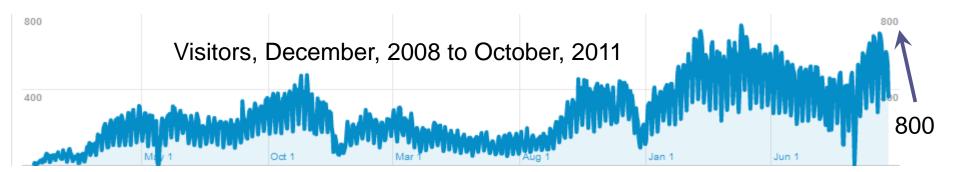
Name:	Molecular layer of cerebellar cortex				
Description:	The term molecular layer of cerebellar cortex is a cytoarchitectural term denoting the most superficial layer of the cerebellar cortex. This layer is characterized by basket and stellate cells. The term plexiform layer of cerebellar cortex is a synonym based on the myeloarchitecture, which consists of thin, densely packed axons coursing parallel to the long axis of the cerebellar folia, delicate terminal axons and rich dendritic ramifications (Carpenter-83).				
Is part of:	Cerebellar cortex				
Super- category:	Cytoarchitectural part of the cerebellar cortex				
Id:	birnlex_810				
Defining criteria:	cyto-architecture				
Organism:	Mammal				
Link to OWL / RDF:	Download this content as OWL/RDF				

Cerebellum granule cell, Cerebellum stellate cell, Climbing fiber are neurons whose axons can be found in Molecular layer of cerebellar cortex or its parts.

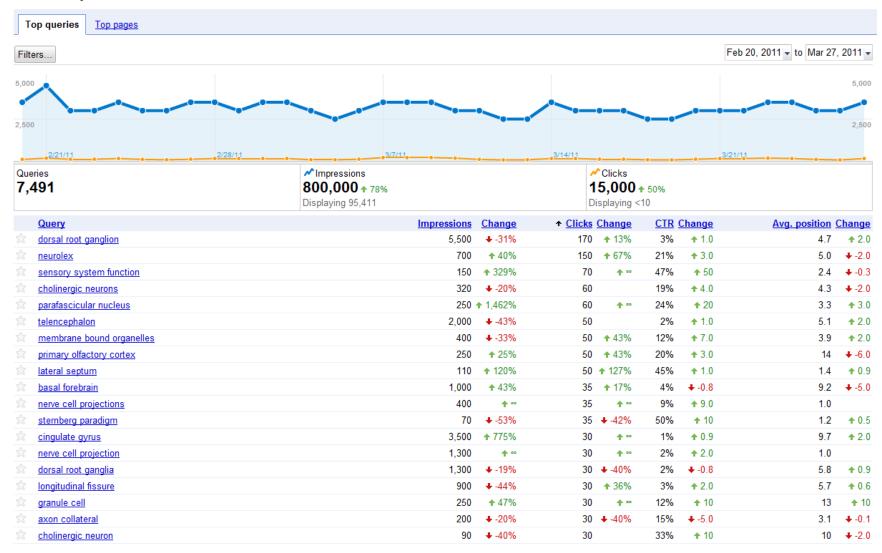
## NeuroLex Entities



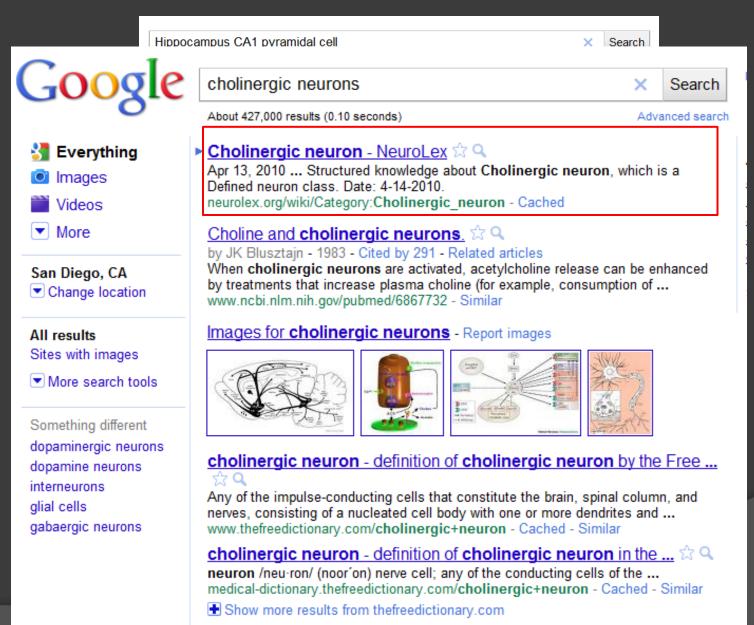




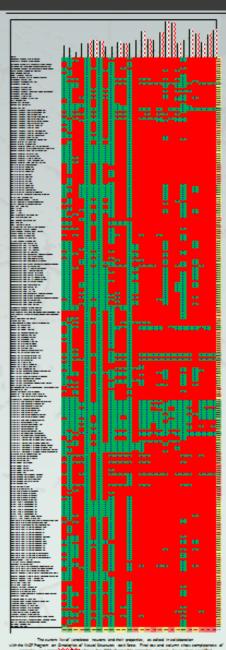
#### Search queries



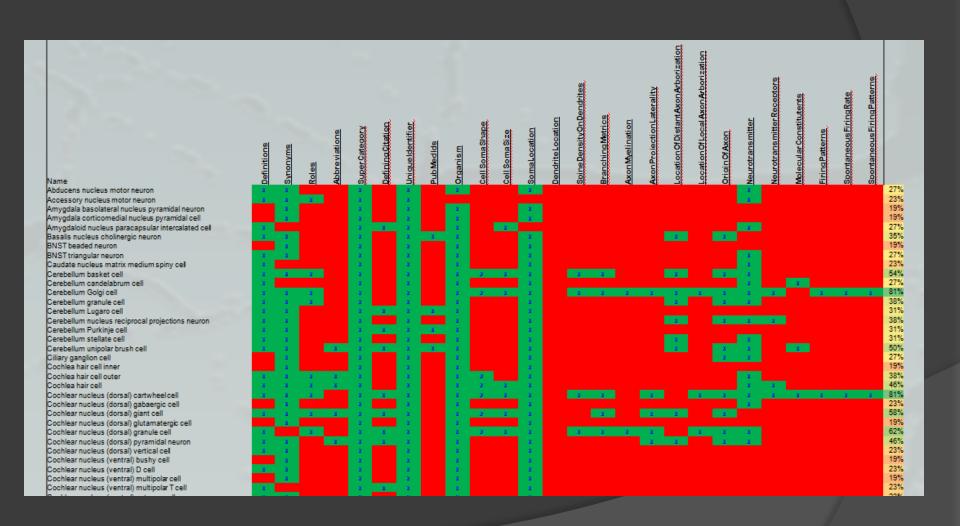
### Impact: NeuroLex being found spontaneously online



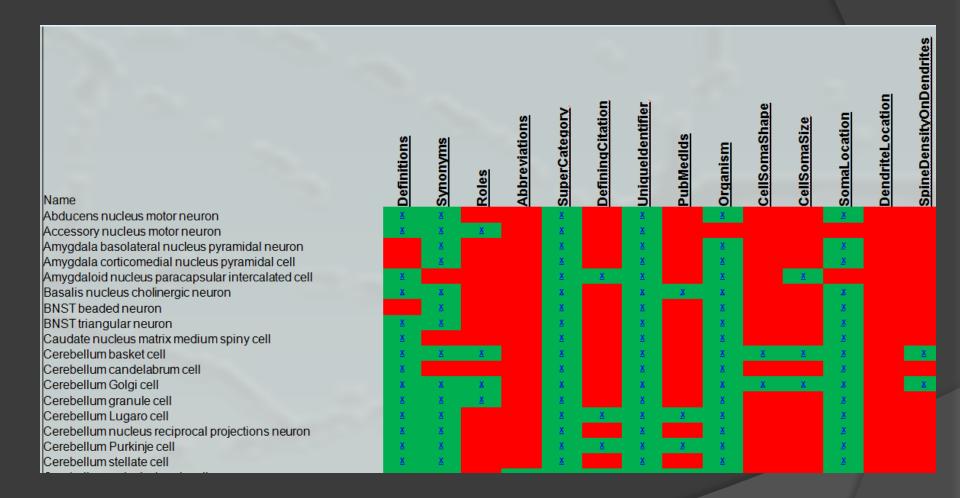
## Master table of neurons?



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Every row represents a wiki page that is publicly available for review and edit

## Partnerships & Community





Curators with the NIH-funded Neuroscience Information Framework and volunteers with the International Neuroinformatics Coordinating Facility



Community

## Contributions

- Described work to represent neuroscience using ontologies
- Provided an introduction to NIF and NeuroLex.org and their use for creating structured data in neuroscience
- Outlined some examples of use of structured data within NeuroLex.org

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