BI Granite Pilot Project

A Collaborative Project: BI Solutions and ORIS
- ORIS is Office for Research Information Systems serving any constituent of the VPR
- Granite is an animal order and inventory management vendor package
- Granite current user base is CCM (Center for Comparative Medicine), ACUC (Animal Care and Use Committee)
Goals

- Improve reporting flexibility, data accessibility
- Reduce stand alone solutions that require desktop installation
- Supply users with ad hoc reporting capability
- Standardize reporting within the Cognos BI environment according to the university’s standards
ORIS provided database and business schema and application information

BI Solutions developed the data mart (data model, ETL) and meta data model (Framework Manager)

BI Solutions provided Query Studio/ Report Studio training

ORIS developed pre-authored reports in Report Studio
Benefits to Users

- Improved efficiency, productivity – facilitated decision making process (e.g., resource allocation, space planning)
- Users can now access the data directly for troubleshooting (Ad Hoc access via Cognos Query Studio)
- Users can tailor parameterized reports themselves
- Management can receive reports by email on a regular basis
- Reports created and run manually can now be automated
- Data mart with historical census information
Where Next?

In Progress:
- Cost Accounting
- Analysis Studio
- Pre-authored reports in Report Studio

Future:
- Protocols
- Expand user base
- Join to facilities management data and protocol data
- Longer term goal of representing research project (proposal, protocol, space usage) on one structure