

# Applications of the YarcData Urika in Drug Discovery and Healthcare

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# Motivation and Introduction

- I am not a Urika or Semantic Web expert
- Learn more about the Urika
  - Other than marketing material
  - How can the machine be used
- Great partners
  - CCRG for a use case
  - YarcData and CSCS for testing



# Motivation and Introduction

- Forget all about writing your own programs and get used to formulating your questions in SPARQL
- Data must be available in RDF triple form
- This is not a relational database, joins are not a problem
- Think of the Urika as an accelerator for SPARQL



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# Motivation and Introduction

- Semantic Web technologies
  - RDF
  - SPARQL
  - RDFS and OWL



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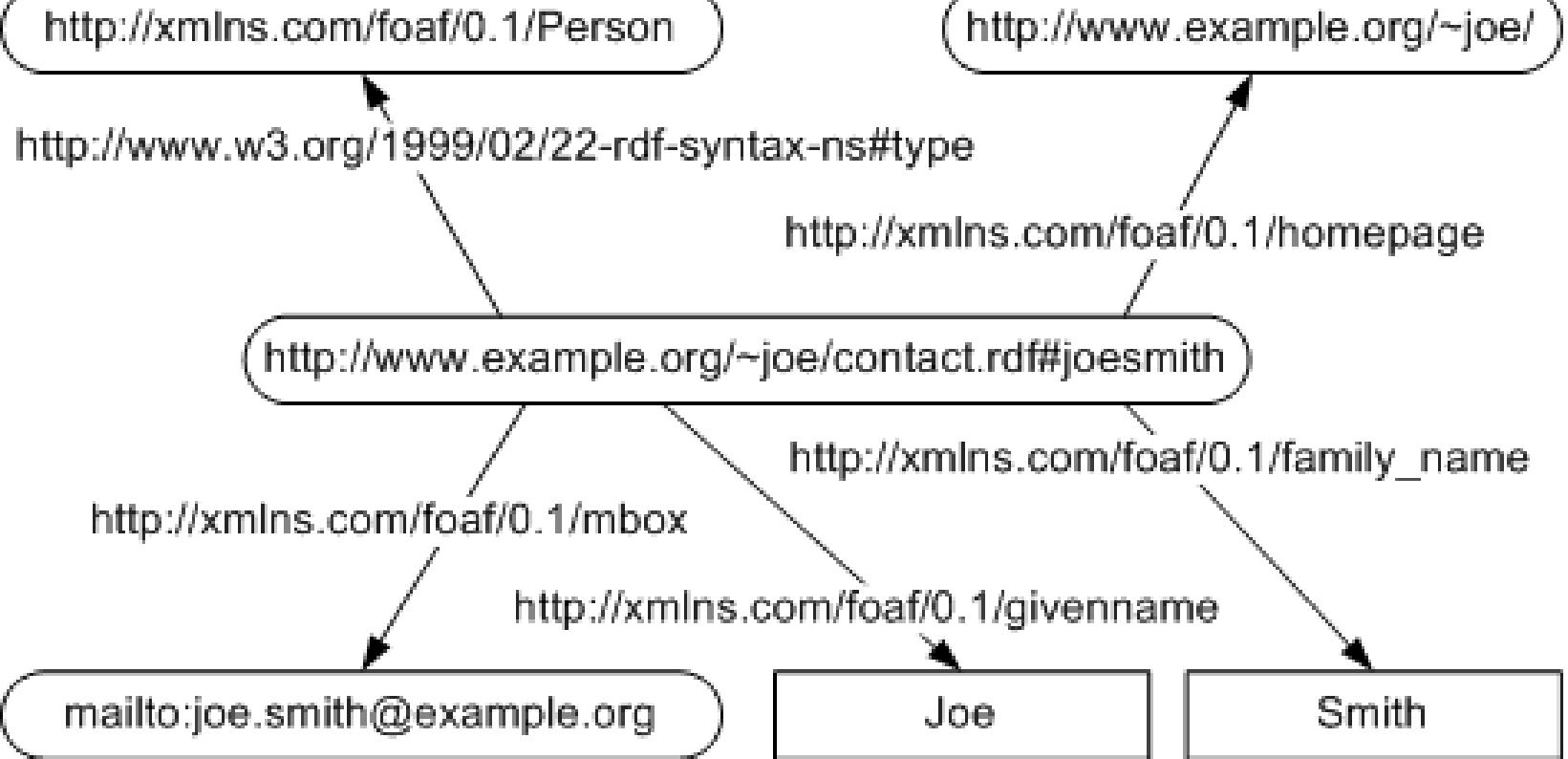


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# RDF



(`http://www.example.org/~joe/contact.rdf#joesmith`,  
`http://xmlins.com/foaf/0.1/family_name`, “Smith”)



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# SPARQL

Query:

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT *
WHERE {
    ?person foaf:family_name ?name .
}
```

Result:

<http://www.example.org/~joe/contact.rdf#joesmith> Smith



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# Use Case

- Drug – Drug interaction and side effects
- Chem2Bio2RDF
- Using public data sets



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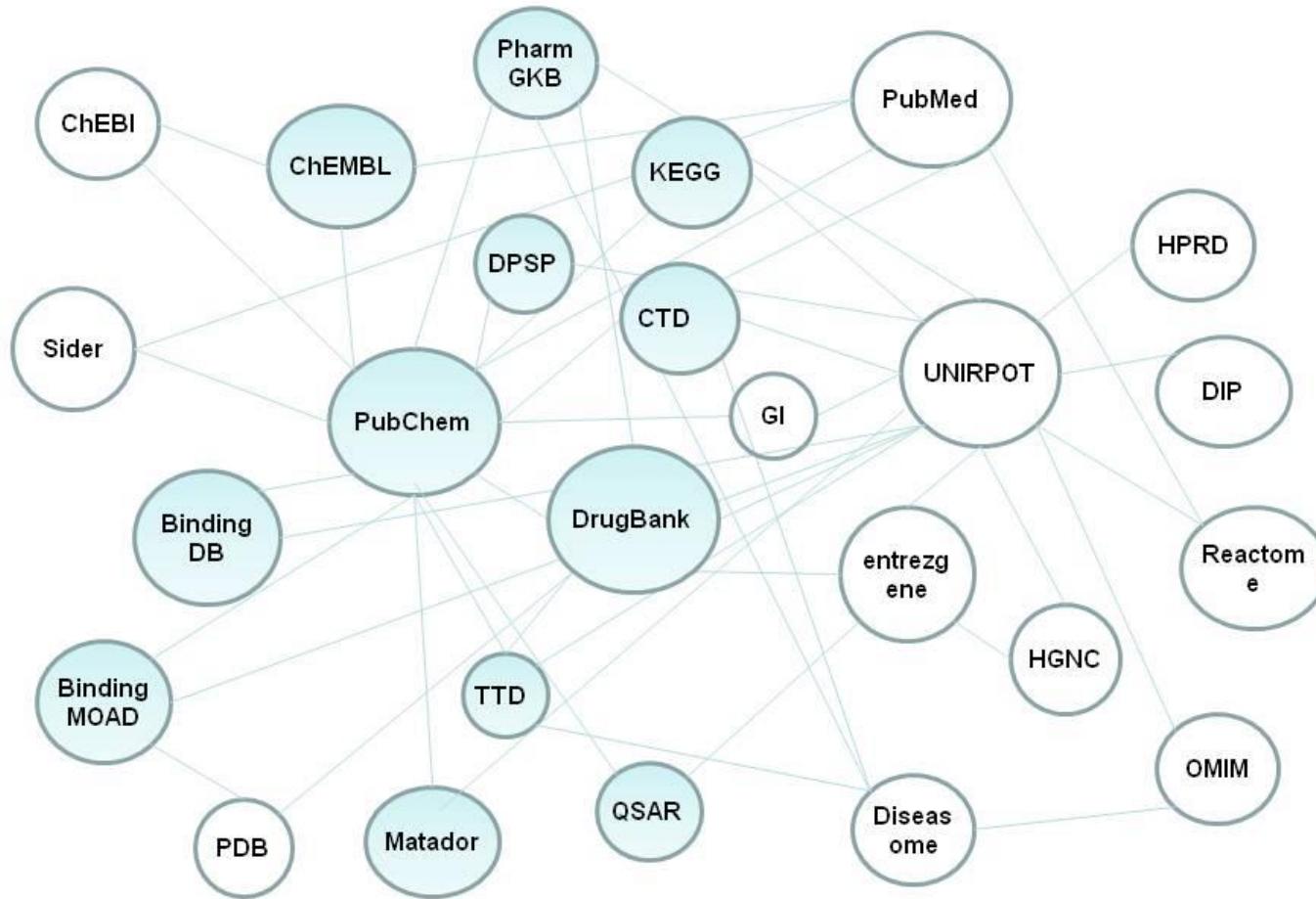


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# Chem2Bio2RDF Data Set



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# Example SPARQL Query

```
PREFIX sider:<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/sider/resource/>
SELECT * FROM <http://chem2bio2rdf.org/sider>
WHERE
{
?sider sider:drug_name ?drug_name .
FILTER
regex(?drug_name,"Fenofibrate|Aspirin|Rosuvastatin|Levot
hyroxine|Valsartan","i" ) .
?sider sider:side_effect ?side_effect .
}
```



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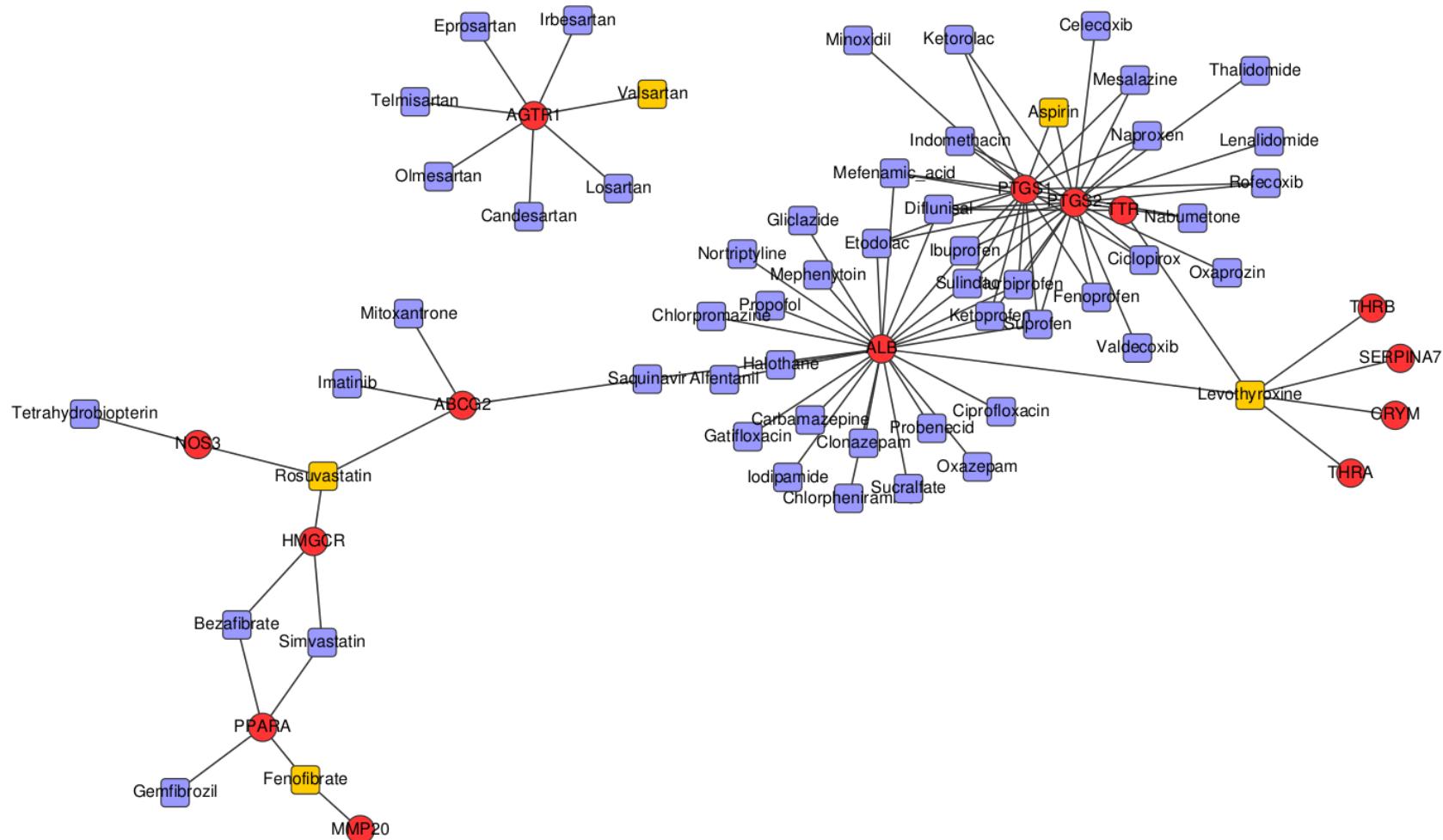


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# Use Case



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# Hardware and Software

- Standard Server
- Urika-64



# Standard Server – Hardware

- Dell PowerEdge R510
- Two quad-core Intel Xeon X5550, at 2.6 GHz
- 26 GB of memory



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# Standard Server – Software

- RHEL 5.1
- Virtuoso 06.01.3127-pthreads



# Urika-64 – Hardware



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# Urika-64 – Hardware

- Cray XT-5 architecture
  - Blade architecture
  - SeaStar2 interconnect
- Opteron based service nodes
- Compute nodes with Cray Threadstorm 4.0 ASIC
  - 64 processors with 128 streams per processor
  - 32 GB of memory per processor



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# Urika-64 – Software

- Not at all like a Cray XT-5
- Linux, unified view of memory and processors
  - 2 TByte of memory, 64 processors, 8192 streams
- Cray proprietary RDF triple store, exposed via an Apache Jena interface
- Large data import via Lustre possible
- Web interface for running queries



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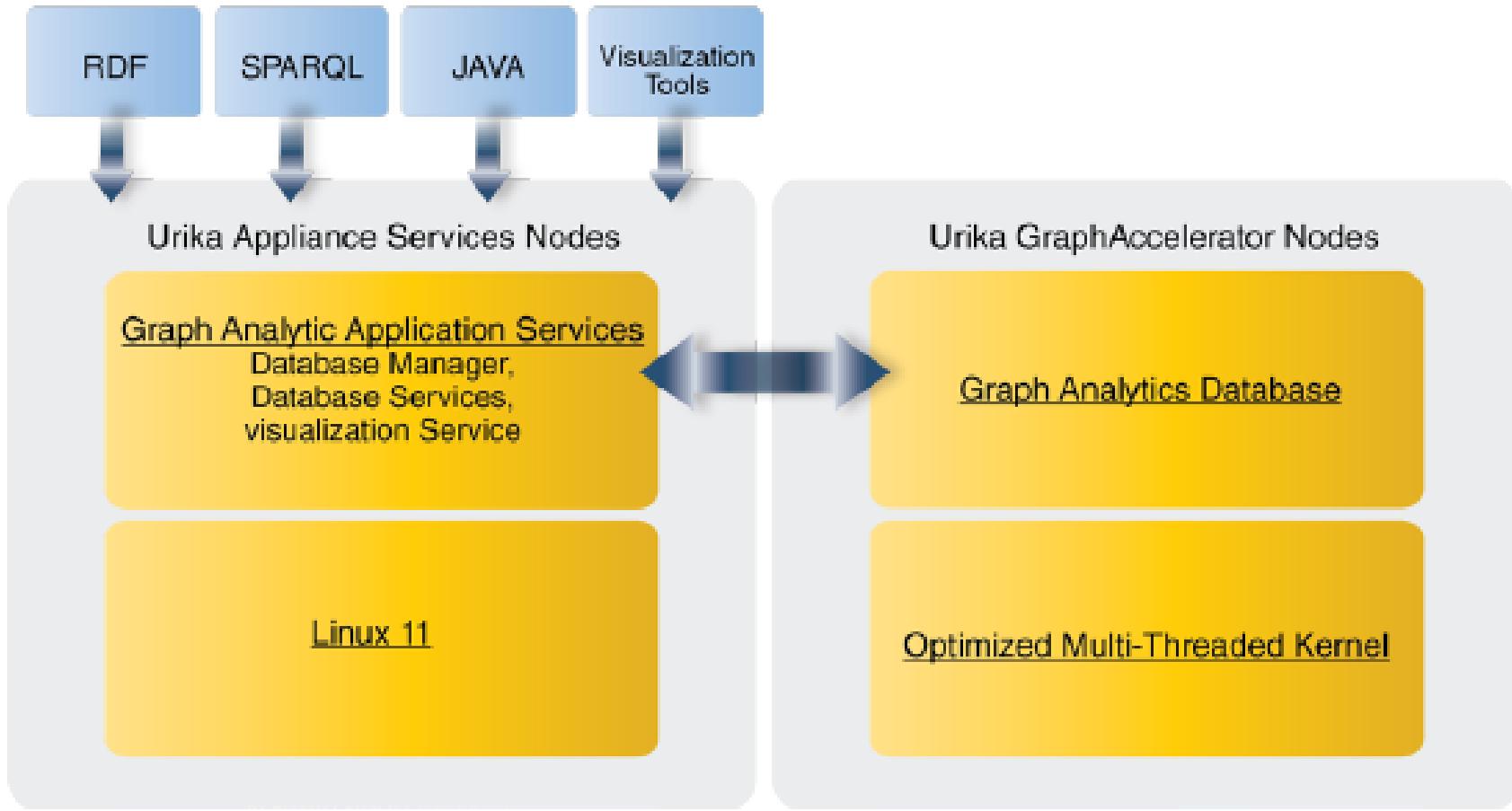


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# Urika-64 – Software



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# Data Set

## Dataset

<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/omim>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/kegg>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/reactome>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/ctd>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/chebi>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/dcdb>  
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[http://chem2bio2rdf.org/medline\\_lite](http://chem2bio2rdf.org/medline_lite)  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/dip>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/sider>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/uniprot>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/drugbank>  
<http://chem2bio2rdf.org/chemogenomics>

Total

## Triple Count

17,251  
245,997  
15,849  
4,933,479  
5,812,141  
20,780  
1,191,201  
477,697  
1,720,541  
480,716,135  
744,738  
15,439,873  
32,206  
252,938  
269,656  
512,361  
95,925  
116,767  
85,156,878  
56,212,993  
1,113,871  
127,755  
1,994,607  
436,283  
7,327,361

664,985,283



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# Methodology

- Import all triples into the Urika
- Create database
- Start database
- Run query through the web interface
- Run query using Java application



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# Overall Results

- Importing the data and running SPARQL queries worked
- Accessing the SPARQL endpoint was easy
- Custom hardware, proprietary software, exposed via standards compliant interfaces
- Performance results are interesting



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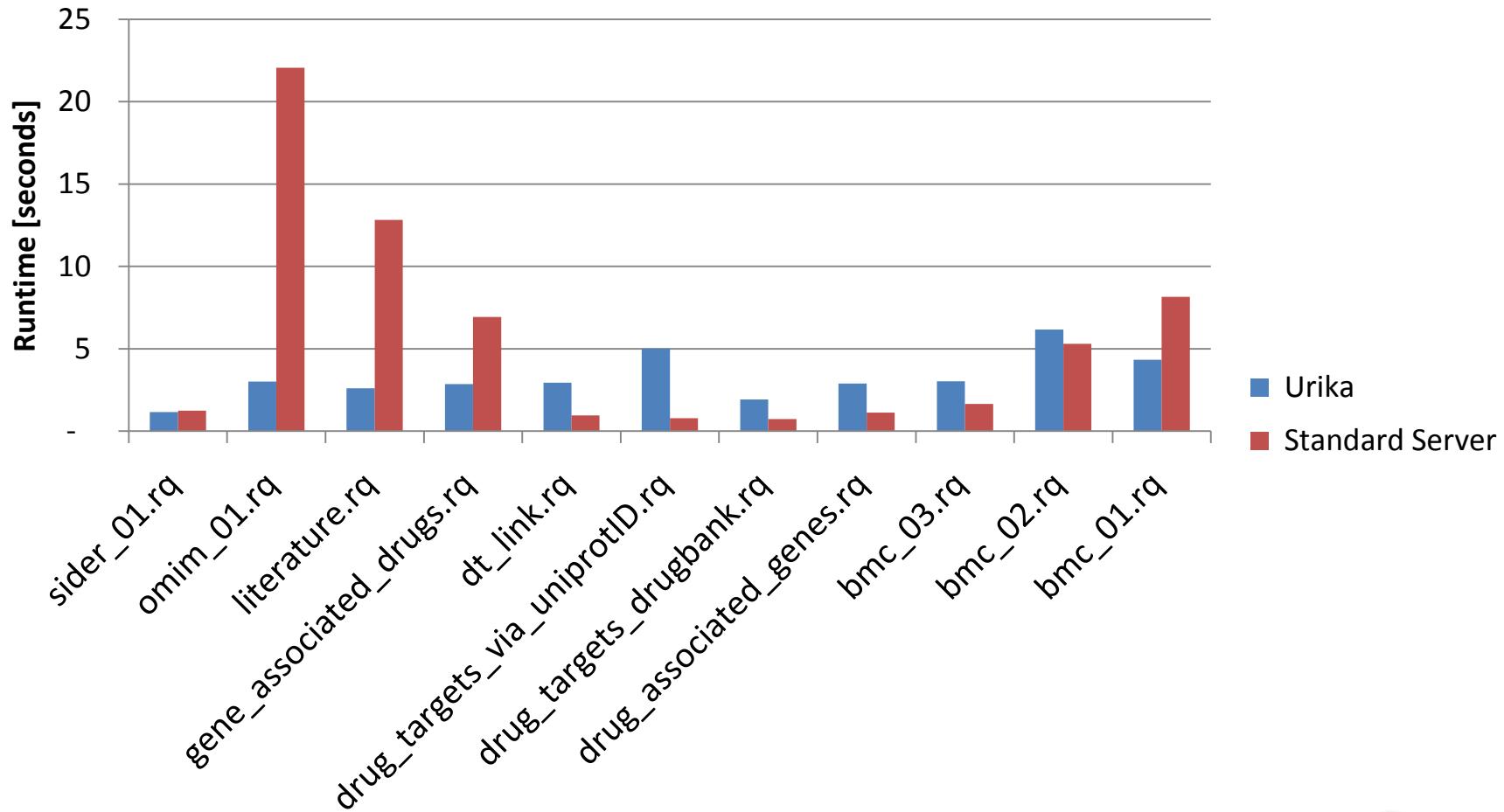


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# Performance Results



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# Conclusion

- Initial testing of how to use a Urika went fine
- Integrating it into an existing workflow is easy
- Getting researchers to use a Urika could be a challenge
- Not sure about multi user operation
- Our tests do not allow for a performance comparison



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# Thank You!

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