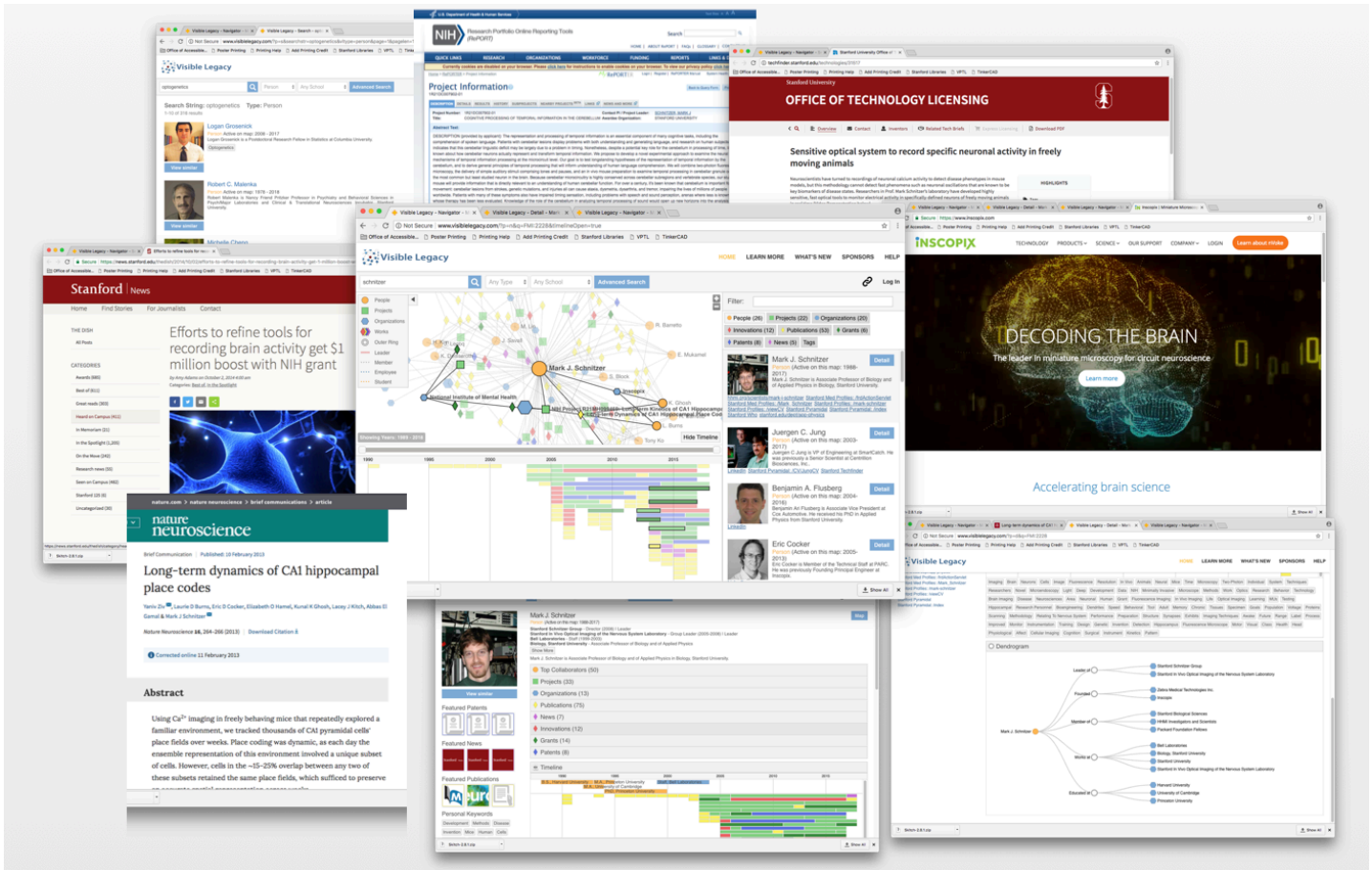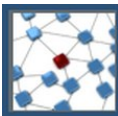## Features

- Interactive maps shows researchers and projects within networks of collaborators

- Powerful search delivers pre-linked results presented in maps, lists, and timelines

- Maps present context of projects and organizations

- Timelines show historical perspective and most recent innovations

- Direct links to online papers, patents and news

- Navigate and explore to discover the "in between" data on emerging inventors and discoveries

- Overview and Detail View options

- Powerful free interactive online portal; register to save favorites, see provenance, and more.

Overview

Visible Legacy compiles a "graph map of academic research" offered as an online information search and navigation web portal called Navigator™. Aimed at industry Tech Scouts, the map metaphor is faster than list search since it delivers pre-connected relevant data (it literally connects the dots).

People and projects are presented in a connected network surrounded by the context of organizations, grants, published works, patents, innovations, news. Interactive timelines, keywords, and summaries work with the map to allow users to search, filter and explore the ecosystem, browse conveniently linked online documents, and find innovations and collaborators that fit their strategic needs.

Navigator™

Navigator Features

Search and Navigate

The Visible Legacy Navigator portal start-page has a familiar topic search box. This searches in the title of all topics. Or use the Advanced Search to select by type Person, Project, Organization, or Document and filter by source-organization and specific Keywords. From the list of results, click on the Title to open the Overview map for that topic.

Discover and Explore

Within the maps you can follow the story of innovation over time and through interconnections. The elements of the Overview map interact: the map of linked topics, the timeline showing the same topics in time, and the sidebar tabs showing "card" summaries of the topics and keywords. You can double-click a node to re-center the map on that topic, or click a Title to navigate to that topic. The tabs are color coded as a key to the node types.

Find Fit and Connect

You can "read around" a topic by followng the links to online papers, patents, innovation disclosures, and news. Often the co-authors or the connected projects lead to "in between" innovators or the most recent discoveries that are a closer fit to your needs. The curated links in the topic cards allow you to quickly jump to the innovator's pubic web page and contact information.

Serving Decision Makers

We serve Technology Scouts and other decision makers who are guiding teams translating academic innovations from university labs into industry solutions and are seeking to find recent inventions, new graduates, ideal collaborators and/or advisors. Users can use the free public service and register to save relevant topics to share or integrate into a workflow. Provenance and other advanced features are available to Premium users.

Visible Legacy Technology

We crawl public-facing academic websites and have developed our own algorithmic software to use this data to create a unique graph map of research collaborators, their projects and organizations, and their output of papers, patents, innovation disclosures. We use various sources such as personal profiles, lab websites, news stories and grant awards to "cancel out the noise" and disambiguate the facts. The resulting pre-linked topics are then presented in Navigator maps, lists, keywords and timelines so a large amount of context is presented rapidly to the user's search query.

Expanding the Horizons

We have proven our portal within the Stanford University ecosystem. We are now expanding the horizons to cover the top 25 research universities. For users following bioengineering, we are now mapping the NIH database of projects to this end. The Brain Initiative is a benchmark multi-campus cross-discipline project. The NSF database of projects is similarly a valuable resource. We will then map the "in betweens" on the campuses where these projects are flourishing.

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Visible Legacy Navigator is offered free to users through the support of sponsors. We benefit from the rapid rise in online open data formats, the desire of research universities to communicate the context of their new innovations, and research funders' desire to show the impact of their sponsored research. We continue to seek sponsors to help us expedite and expand our coverage to more academic centers.

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