

BROADBAND OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE CF LIFE AND CARE USING INTERNET-ENABLED DEVICES

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Introduction

Internet-based communications have already revolutionised research communication and collaborations across the world. The wide deployment of optic fibre along academic networks (AARNet) together with the \$43 billion fibre-to-the-home Australian broadband network proposal (NBN) & improved 3G mobile technology provide a unique opportunity for online collaborative environments to support CF clinical care, research, patient, and carer video-collaborations.

Networks: current & emerging

AARNet

- Extensive optic fibre network
- Local and international internet / networks
- Bandwidth, reliability, speed.



- Optic fibre direct to...
- Transparent matching to AARNet
- Academic, clinical, patient, carer linkages?



Video collaborations now available for development

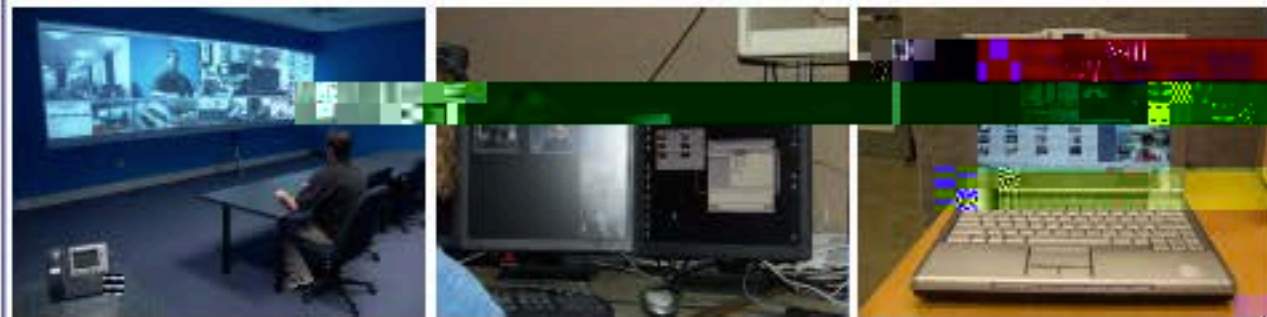
- Persistent storage
- Multiple real-time video streams
- Whiteboards / drawing screens
- Remote sensing
- Remote desktop viewing
- Jitter-free remote control
- Secure

Standard Equipment

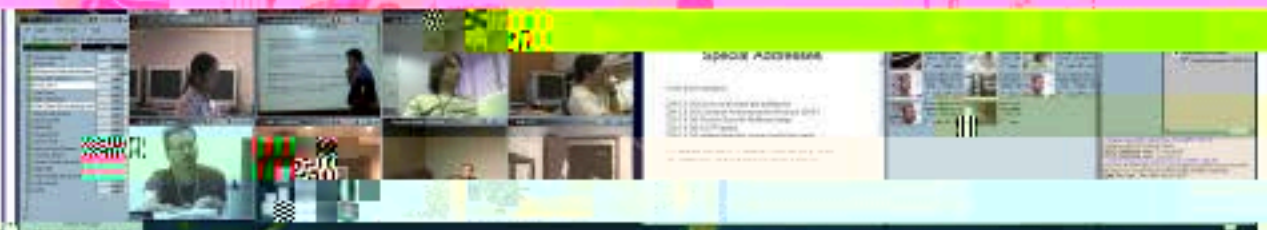
- Laptop, desktop, video-walls
- Specific conference rooms

Free Software

- AccessGrid, EVO (both like Skype, but improved options, flexibility), etc



AccessGrid between conference rooms, desktop computers, and laptops



AccessGrid and EVO allow multiple simultaneous video and audio streams from multiple locations

What uses?

- Multi-centre video conferencing
- National, international physician consults
- Multi-centre studies meetings
- CF parent groups
- Nursing interactions, HITH
- Multi-centre clinical trial monitoring
- Joint QC meetings
- Real-time physiological monitoring
- Participation in International trials
- Seminars, webinars
- Social sessions
- What's yours? ...

Software

www.accessgrid.org/
evo.caltech.edu

<http://www.arcs.org.au/>