

# 1.8.1a Release Notes

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# Important links

## Downloads:

- i2b2 Download Page (binaries and virtual machine): <https://www.i2b2.org/software/index.html>
- i2b2 - New Web client with redesigned user interface (source code) [i2b2/i2b2-webclient: Source code for the i2b2 Web Client \(github.com\)](#)
- i2b2 GitHub (source code:) [i2b2 Foundation \(github.com\)](#)

## Documentation:

- Data Export: [Data Exporter \(v 1.8.1\)](#)
- i2b2-on-OMOP install: [i2b2-on-OMOP With ENACT-OMOP Ontology v4.1](#)
- totalnum counting scripts: [Patient Counting Scripts \("totalnum"\)](#)
- New Web client reference: [New Web Client Install Guide](#) and [Help](#)
- Digital Twin Bundle (distributed separately): [Digital Twin Technologies](#)

## 1.8.1a Release Notes

i2b2 1.8.1a Release builds on the rewritten web interface introduced in 1.8 with new features and new administration tools, it introduces a powerful new data export module, and it adds core support for the OMOP data model on Postgres databases (adding to MSSQL and Oracle databases in 1.8).

This release includes fix for breakdown queuing for SQL and Postgres queries when the SQL breakdowns take a long time to finish after the patientset completes - references [CORE-443](#)

## Highlight of Features

### Top New Features

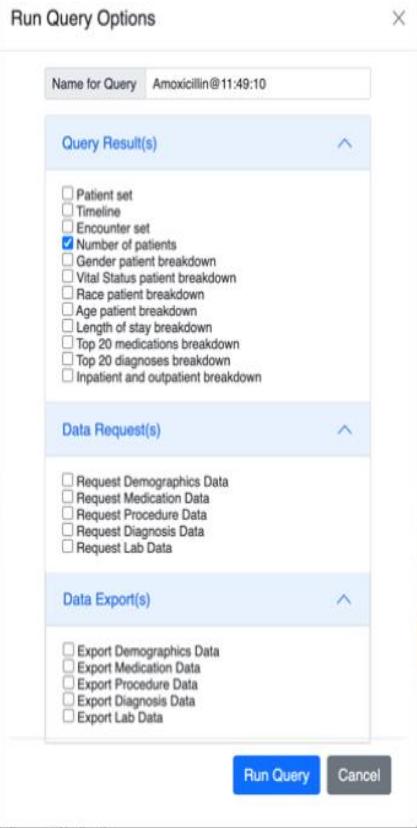
Description	

## Modern UI Enhancements with Admin Console

The screenshot displays the i2b2 Query & Analysis Tool interface, which has been updated with several modern UI features:

- Search and Filter:** A search bar at the top allows users to search across categories. Below it, a sidebar titled "Find Patients" and "Analysis Tools" includes dropdown menus for "with", "without", and "when" filters, along with checkboxes for specific ICD codes.
- Tree View:** On the left, a tree view under "Terms" shows a hierarchy of clinical concepts, such as ACT COVID-19, ACT Demographics, ACT Diagnoses ICD-10-CM, etc.
- Workplace:** A "Workplace" section provides a detailed description of selected terms, including ICD codes and query examples.
- Query Status:** A chart titled "Age patient breakdown" shows the distribution of patient ages, with a total count of 18506 patients.
- Table View:** Below the chart, a table titled "Results Details" lists the number of patients for each age group.
- Project Management:** A bottom navigation bar includes tabs for "USERS", "PROJECTS", and "HIVE". The "PROJECTS" tab is active, showing a list of projects with columns for Name, Description, Key, Wiki, Path, and Actions.

**The new webclient has been enhanced with new features such as faster term search, streamlined icons, and an administration console.**

<p><a href="#"><u>Data Exporter extension for i2b2</u></a></p>	 <p>The screenshot shows the 'Run Query Options' dialog. At the top, there is a text input field labeled 'Name for Query' containing 'Amoxicillin@11:49:10'. Below it are three expandable sections: 'Query Result(s)', 'Data Request(s)', and 'Data Export(s)'. The 'Query Result(s)' section contains several checkboxes, with 'Number of patients' checked. The 'Data Request(s)' section contains checkboxes for Request Demographics Data, Request Medication Data, Request Procedure Data, Request Diagnosis Data, and Request Lab Data. The 'Data Export(s)' section contains checkboxes for Export Demographics Data, Export Medication Data, Export Procedure Data, Export Diagnosis Data, and Export Lab Data. At the bottom right of the dialog are 'Run Query' and 'Cancel' buttons.</p>	<p>Using the Run Query breakdown dialog, patient data can be exported as flat files to be loaded into SAS, R and other data analytic tools for further analysis.</p>
<p>ACT Ontology Version 4.1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+  ACT COVID-19</li> <li>+  ACT Demographics</li> <li>+  ACT Diagnoses ICD-9-CM</li> <li>+  ACT Diagnoses ICD-10-CM</li> <li>+  ACT Diagnoses ICD10-ICD9</li> <li>+  ACT Laboratory Tests</li> <li>+  ACT Laboratory Tests (Provisional)</li> <li>+  ACT Medications Alphabetical</li> <li>+  ACT Medications VA Classes</li> <li>+  ACT Procedures ICD-9-Proc</li> <li>+  ACT Procedures CPT-4</li> <li>+  ACT Procedures HCPCS</li> <li>+  ACT Procedures ICD-10-PCS</li> <li>+  ACT Research</li> <li>+  ACT Social Determinants of Health</li> <li>+  ACT Vaccination</li> <li>+  ACT Visit Details</li> <li>+  ACT Vital Signs</li> <li>+  ACT Zip Code</li> </ul>	<p>Version 4.1 provides 19 ontologies supporting i2b2 and OMOP CDM architectures on ORACLE, SQLServer and Postgres databases.</p>

<a href="#"><u>i2b2 on OMOP for Postgres database</u></a>	<p>The core i2b2 platform now supports the OMOP data model on Postgres database (adding to existing Oracle and SQLServer OMOP support), which is queryable through the comprehensive ENACT-OMOP Ontology.</p>
<a href="#"><u>Digital Twin Bundle</u></a> <i>(distributed separately)</i>	<p>Tools for computing loyalty cohorts and computational phenotypes in i2b2.</p>
Bug fixes	

## Community-Contributed Features

Contribution	Contributor	Description
<a href="#"><u>ACT-Ontology Version V4.1</u></a>	<b>Michele Morris</b> (University of Pittsburgh)	The ACT V4.1 Ontology supporting i2b2 and OMOP CDMs enables queries to be run in i2b2 query tool against ORACLE, SQLServer and Postgres databases.

## Detailed Documentation on New Features

### Data Exporter extension for i2b2

i2b2 can now export patient data for a patient set. The workflow involves breakdowns in the webclient, which allow users to request exports and data managers to generate exports. The export types and options are fully configurable in the database. Detailed documentation on set up can be found here: [Data Exporter Set-up](#)

The below steps describe the overall process:

- User logs into i2b2 webclient and runs a regular i2b2 query, checking the desired **Data request** breakdown option when running the query.
- E-mail is sent to the data manager and the User, informing them that the user's data request has been made.
- The manager logs in and reruns the user query with the **Data Export** breakdown selection to generate the export flat files.
- The generated export flat file is stored in a configurable location on the i2b2 server.
- An e-mail is sent to the manager confirming the file extract and how to access the files (which can be shared with the requester).

### **Steps to upgrade:**

First, install the new war file. Next, upgrade the database. Because the upgrade requires loading some new content from the NewInstall, we have created an ant target to upgrade the data tables: upgrade\_tables\_release\_1-8-0 This should be run from Upgrade/CrcData, e.g., ant f data\_build.xml upgrade\_tables\_1 8-0

Detailed upgrade instructions can be found here: [Upgrade to version 1.8.1](#)

### **ACT - V4.1 Ontology**

The V4.1 Ontology includes 19 ontologies- 3 new and 11 updated and 5 unchanged

Metadata and CRC zip files are provided to load the latest ENACT Version-4.1 ontology into your db schema using ANT scripts.

The CPT4 ontology table is not included with i2b2 due to AMA restrictions on redistribution of CPT code information. Contact the ENACT team to get a copy if your institution is an AMA member.

### **ACT V4.1 data load process**

1. Download and extract the newinstall zip package from "Download Binary Distribution" in the top section of <https://www.i2b2.org/software>
2. Edit the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\Metadata\db.properties file to update the project properties to 'ACT' ; db.project=ACT
3. From the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\Metadata folder, run the ant command: ant -f data\_build.xml db\_metadata\_load\_data. This will execute the SQL

- scripts from the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\Metadata\act\scripts\<db type> folder to create and load the metadata tables
4. From the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\crcdata folder, run the ant command: ant -f data\_build.xml db\_demodata\_load\_data. This will execute the SQL scripts from the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\crcdata\act\scripts\<db type> folder to create and load the concept\_dimension
  5. Run the scripts from the edu.harvard.i2b2.data\Release\_1-8\NewInstall\Metadata \<dbtype>\scripts folder to load the Schemes, Table\_access tables
  6. You can now verify the new Ontology by logging into the webclient

Additional details on the ontology are available at [this link](#).

### **ACT i2b2 on OMOP for Postgres database**

ACT i2b2 on OMOP functionality uses ACT Ontology in the front-end and enables the i2b2 Software to run against Postgres database that uses the OMOP CDM architecture.

For enabling use of an OMOP database with i2b2, follow the instructions in the install guide for a new install of i2b2 using the i2b2-OMOP install option. The documentation here will guide you through this process. [i2b2-on-OMOP With ENACT-OMOP Ontology v4.1](#)

For historical reference on old 2018 OMOP installation , refer to [OMOP Home on i2b2 Community Wiki](#)

## **Changelog**

### **Database Drivers**

The JDBC drivers were updated to the following versions.

<b>Server Type</b>	oracle	Postgresql	mssql
<b>Driver Version</b>	ojdbc8.jar	postgresql-42.7.1.jar	mssql-jdbc-12.4.2.jre8.jar

### **Supported Db Server versions**

<b>Server Type</b>	SQL Server	Oracle	PostgresSQL
<b>Supported Version/s</b>	2012+ (tested with up to 2022)	23.3	9 to 14

## Supported software versions

Application Type	Java	Wildfly	Apache HTD	Apache Ant	Apache Axis2	PHP
<b>Supported Version/s</b>	8 or 11	17.0.1Final	2.0 (RHEL 6) and 2.2 (RHEL 7)	1.9.6	1.7.1	7.2.27 or higher

## Supported Operating Systems

Rocky linux 8 and 9, CentOS versions 7

Windows 2016 -2019

- There is a new PHP install process for IIS in the i2b2 install guide: [2.5.3.2 PHP for Windows](#)

Unofficially, MacOS and other flavors of Linux are likely to work.

## i2b2 Server and Client Changes

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## Bug Fixes

Core-server / Data	
<a href="#"><u>CORE-440</u></a> Queries from queue are not processing and returning back	
<a href="#"><u>CORE-443</u></a> Breakdown queueing	
<a href="#"><u>DATA-43</u></a> old crcdata folder , metadata1 subfolder 1.8.1 issue fixes	

## Notes for Developers

- For Java 11 install, if you change the xsd (REST API message definitions), then you will need to regenerate gensrc via JAXB in Java 8. In the i2b2-core cell directory for which you're regenerating the XSD-Java, run the ant target "jaxb\_gen" on Java 8 and then build as usual using Java 11.
  - For developers that need to recompile the new admin tool in the webclient, remove the package-lock.json file from i2b2-webclient/plugins/edu/harvard/catalyst/admin-tool/ before compiling. This will ensure you have the latest non-breaking changes for all third-party libraries used in building the tool, including security fixes.
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