# **Progress Update for Advisory Council Meeting**

# **Committee on Credible Practice of Modeling & Simulation in Healthcare**

prepared for November 13, 2013 meeting of the Advisory Council

# **Committee Charge**

- 1. Adopt a consistent terminology
- 2. Propose guidelines and procedures for credible practice
- 3. Demonstrate workflows for credible practice
- 4. Promote good practice

#### **First Term (2013-2015) Goals**

- 1. Form the Committee and the Advisory Council
- 2. Establish infrastructure for communications between Committee Co-Chairs and Members, and Advisory Council
- 3. Establish a web-based framework for development, community interactions, and dissemination
- 4. Develop a guidance document on establishing credible practice of modeling and simulation in healthcare

**Advisory Council Roster** 

5. Draft a proposed model certification process

**Executive Committee Members** 

## **Current Membership**

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Gary An	Jeff Bischoff
Jacob Barhak	David Eckmann
Ahmet Erdemir (Co-Chair)	Ron Germain
Marc Garbey	Tony Hunt
Joy Ku	Wing Kam Liu
William Lytton	Donna Lochner
Tina Morrison	Vasilis Marmarelis
Jerry Myers	Pras Pathmanathan
Lealem Mulugeta (Co-Chair)	Grace Peng
Lu Tian	Martin Steele
	Jim Thomas
	Marlei Walton

See <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/CPMS">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/CPMS</a> Members for more details.

#### **Current Infrastructure**

- 1. **Website** (<a href="https://simtk.org/home/cpms">https://simtk.org/home/cpms</a>): Communication between Committee Members, Advisory Council, and the community are conducted through the infrastructure provided by SimTk.org. ALL INFORMATION AT THE WEBSITE IS PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE. Particularly useful components of the project site are:
  - **Documents.** To provide Committee generated reports, conference minutes, etc. Directly accessible at <a href="https://simtk.org/docman/?group\_id=848">https://simtk.org/docman/?group\_id=848</a>.

- *Public Forums.* To engage in communications with other members and community. Directly accessible at <a href="https://simtk.org/forums/viewforum.php?f=848">https://simtk.org/forums/viewforum.php?f=848</a>.
- Version Control System. A source code repository using Subversion
   (<a href="http://subversion.apache.org/">http://subversion.apache.org/</a>) is provided to ensure revision control of documents generated by the Committee in a collaborative manner. The repository can be accessed by any Subversion client (gui or prompt based), i.e., svn checkout <a href="https://simtk.org/svn/cpms">https://simtk.org/svn/cpms</a>.
- 2. **Literature Database**: The Committee has a Zotero group to accumulate literature (<a href="https://www.zotero.org/groups/167342">https://www.zotero.org/groups/167342</a>). It is possible to populate this database using Zotero plug-in (for Chrome or Firefox browsers) or a stand-alone version. Zotero (<a href="https://www.zotero.org/">https://www.zotero.org/</a>) is a free, easy-to-use tool to help you collect, organize, cite, and share research sources. ZOTERO DATABASE IS NOT PUBLIC TO PREVENT ANY COPYRIGHT VIOLATION ISSUES RELATED TO DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES OF SCHOLARLY ARTICLES.
- 3. **Web Conferencing:** An installation of OpenMeetings (<a href="http://openmeetings.apache.org/">http://openmeetings.apache.org/</a>) is available at the Universities Space Research Association. At this moment, this tool has not been tested comprehensively. As a result, it did not gain traction for regular use.
- 4. **Conference Calls:** Conference calls between members are facilitated by a toll-free number (within US) provided through the Cleveland Clinic. Attendees of meetings are regularly informed about connection details.

#### **Current Tasks**

## 1. Logistics & Organization:

- Three new members joined the Executive Committee: Joy Ku, William Lytton, and Lu Tian.
- The Committee was divided to three task teams to represent different areas of interest:
  - Mathematical and Computational Sciences Team,
  - End Users Team, and
  - Practice Standards and Guidelines Team.

Each team includes team coordinators from the Executive Committee along with relevant members from the Advisory Council. For more details, see <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/CPMS">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/CPMS</a> Task Teams.

- Various members need to get an account at SimTk.org to be added to the project website as read-write team members:
  - Ron Germain
  - Wing Kam Liu
  - Vasilis Marmarelis
  - Lu Tian

## SimTk.org Registration. https://simtk.org/account/register.php

- Various members need to provide photos (through their SimTk.org account profile) to enhance project site:
  - Gary An
  - Jeff Bischoff
  - Marc Garbey
  - Wing Kam Liu
  - Donna Lochner
  - William Lytton
  - Vasilis Marmarelis
  - Lu Tian
  - Grace Peng
- Various members need to provide their biosketches:
  - Lu Tian

2. **Task: Overview Presentation:** A wiki page was created to summarize feedback from members to change the overview presentation. An additional charge was proposed in order to identify and promote innovative game changing technologies establishing model credibility. It may be possible to incorporate this by updating the second charge as *to propose guidelines*, *procedures*, *and technologies for credible practice*.

For more details, please refer to <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Committee">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Committee</a> Presentation.

- 3. Task: Visibility & Outreach:
  - Posters & Presentations.
    - A poster about the Committee was presented at the meeting ASME/FDA 2013 1<sup>st</sup> Frontiers in Medical Devices: Applications of Computer Modeling and Simulation, September 11-13, 2013, Washington, DC. <a href="http://www.asmeconferences.org/FMD2013/">http://www.asmeconferences.org/FMD2013/</a>
      The abstract is available at

https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/abstracts/asme-fda 2013.pdf. The poster is available at

https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/posters/asme-fda 2013%20CPMS%20Poster.pdf.

A scheduled presentation at the 2013 Multiscale Modeling (MSM) Consortium Meeting, October 2-3, 2013, Bethesda, MD was canceled due to government shutdown. <a href="http://www.imagwiki.nibib.nih.gov/mediawiki/index.php?">http://www.imagwiki.nibib.nih.gov/mediawiki/index.php?</a> title=2013 MSM CONSORTIUM MEETING

## • Abstract Submissions.

- An abstract was submitted to the 14th annual International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH), January 25-29, 2013, San Francisco, CA. <a href="http://ssih.org/imsh2014">http://ssih.org/imsh2014</a>
   The abstract is available at
  - https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/abstracts/IMSH2014\_Abstract.pdf.
- An abstract was submitted to MODSIM World 2014, April 15-17, 2014, Hampton, VA. http://modsimworldconference.com/

The abstract is available at

https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/abstracts/MODSIM2014Abstract.docx.

#### o Other.

- The Committee will join a panel discussion on Application of M&S for High Stakes Testing and Evaluation at HFES 2014 International Symposium on Human Factors and Ergonomics in Health Care: Leading the Way, March 16-19, 2014, Chicago, IL. <a href="http://www.hfes.org/web/HFESMeetings/2014HealthCareSymposium.html">http://www.hfes.org/web/HFESMeetings/2014HealthCareSymposium.html</a>
- Various members of the Committee interacted with John Rice, who has provided useful insight in Committee activities and leads for outreach. These interactions as well as additional feedback from John Rice can be found in public forums of the project site.
- 4. **Task: Literature Survey:** The Committee has been accumulating relevant literature on i) examples of modeling and simulation that penetrated clinical practice, and ii) good practice documents in various disciplines.
  - For more details, see the literature database at <a href="https://www.zotero.org/groups/167342">https://www.zotero.org/groups/167342</a>.
- 5. **Task: Definitions:** A wiki page has been created to collate definitions of modeling and simulation terminology, in order to establish a glossary. For each term, a definition page is targeted to include *Dictionary Definition, Committee Definition, Domain Specific Usage* and *Notes* (potentially listing appropriate references). The immediate goal of the Committee is to keep filling in definition pages on a routine basis, i.e., a few terms before every Executive Committee meeting. For more details, please refer to http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Glossary\_and\_Definitions.
- 6. **Task: Ten Simple Rules:** To establish the foundations of a guidance document, the Committee started an activity to identify Ten Simple Rules to guide credible practice in modeling and simulation in healthcare. The activity is aimed towards a publication, similar to articles in PLoS Computational Biology: Ten Simple Rules Collection. Various activities have been completed in pursuit of this goal:

- A wiki page was created to provide a candidate list of rules and a schedule for related Committee activities. For more details, please refer to <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten\_Simple\_Rules">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten\_Simple\_Rules</a> of Credible Practice/.
- Task teams discussed and prioritized various rules within the team and across teams. A summary of collective feedback from task teams is provided at <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten Simple Rules">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten Simple Rules of Credible Practice/Summary of Results</a>.
- To get feedback from a broader community, a survey has been developed and provided to the all Committee members for feedback. For more details about the survey, see <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten\_Simple\_Rules\_of\_Credible\_Practice/Survey\_Design">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Ten\_Simple\_Rules\_of\_Credible\_Practice/Survey\_Design</a>.
- A contact list to reach out the broader community has been drafted at the wiki, see <a href="http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Committee">http://wiki.simtk.org/cpms/Committee</a> External Contact List.
- The Executive Committee is awaiting for members' feedback to launch the survey.
- 7. Past Advisory Council meeting progress reports and minutes are available at *June 3, 2013 (progress report).* https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/ac\_20130603-pu.pdf *June 3, 2013 (minutes).* https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/ac\_20130603-pu.pdf
- 8. Past Executive Committee meeting minutes are available at *April 30*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20130430.pdf *May 16*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20130516.pdf *May 30*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20130628.pdf *July 11*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20130711.pdf *August 22*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20131015.pdf *November 1*, *2013*. <a href="https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm">https://simtk.org/websvn/wsvn/cpms/doc/minutes/cm</a> 20131101.pdf

# **Plans until Next Advisory Council Meeting**

- 1. Committee will continue putting effort in the tasks that already started. Ongoing progress will be documented. Task specific goals aimed for completion are
  - Task: Visibility & Outreach.
    - Presentation at 14th annual International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare (IMSH), January 25-29, 2013, San Francisco, CA.
    - Presentation at MODSIM World 2014, April 15-17, 2014, Hampton, VA.
    - Panel discussion at HFES 2014 International Symposium on Human Factors and Ergonomics in Health Care: Leading the Way, March 16-19, 2014, Chicago, IL.
  - Task: Definitions.
    - Provide definitions of terms (a few per Executive Committee member) before each biweekly meeting of the Executive Committee.
  - Task: Ten Simple Rules.
    - Launch and complete survey to acquire input from a broader community.
    - Draft manuscript on Ten Simple Rules for Credible Practice of Modeling & Simulation in Healthcare.
- 2. Discuss and implement potential mechanisms to evaluate performance of Co-Chairs, Executive Committee members, and Advisory Council members.