

AllegroGraph Recognized Among Top 10 Analytics Solution Providers by Pharma Tech Outlook

Franz's AllegroGraph powers Pharma Analytics for Sophisticated Decision Insights from Complex, Distributed Big Data

OAKLAND, Calif. – January 28, 2016 – Franz Inc., an early innovator in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and leading supplier of Semantic Graph Database technology has been named to Pharma Tech Outlook's Top 10 Analytics Solutions Providers for 2016.

"Franz Inc. has been selected as a Top 10 Analytics Solution Provider after careful evaluation across a dozen quantitative and qualitative elements," said Stacey Smith, Editor of Pharma Tech Outlook. "Our selection process takes into consideration a company's experience, industry recognition, technical certifications, market presence and positive client reviews. Franz Inc. and their Semantic Graph Database, AllegroGraph, are clear market leaders for Analytics in the Pharmaceutical Industry."

Pharma Tech Outlook covers the latest developments in the pharmaceutical industry. They provide valuable updates – news, views and trends, expert opinions, studies, discoveries, R&D and clinical trials – essential for decision-makers in the industry. Covering all the novel outcomes, Pharma Tech Outlook aims at contributing to the transformation of innovations into services as well as creating a healthy and productive society.

Pharma Tech Outlook's "Top 10 Analytics Solution Providers" are selected annually by a panel of experts and members of Pharma Tech Outlook's editorial board to recognize and promote technology entrepreneurship.

“Using AllegroGraph, Enterprises can run queries of unprecedented complexity to enable predictive analytics and real time decision-making within a myriad of industries including Healthcare, Life Sciences, Financial Services, and Publishing,” said Jans Aasman, CEO of Franz Inc. “Integrating databases is a virtually effortless which is particularly valuable if organizations want to tap into the growing number of public datasets to enrich their analytics.”

“Information has always existed everywhere but has often been isolated, incomplete, unavailable or unintelligible,” according to Gartner. “Advances in semantic tools such as graph databases as well as other emerging data classification and information analysis techniques will bring meaning to the often chaotic deluge of information.” (Source: Gartner Identifies the Top Strategic Technology Trends for 2016.)

A recent Forrester Research report stated, “Graph databases are a powerful optimized technology that link billions of pieces of connected data to help create new sources of value for customers and increase operational agility for customer service. Because graph databases track connections among entities and offer links to get more detailed information, they are well-suited for scenarios in which relationships are important, such as cybersecurity, social network analysis, eCommerce recommendations, dependence analysis, and predictive analytics.” (Source: Forrester Research, Market Overview: Graph Databases, May 28, 2015)

Franz’s recent announcement of the first Semantic Data Lake (SDL) for Healthcare, which was created in collaboration with Montefiore Medical Center (the eighth largest hospital group in the U.S.), Intel, Cloudera and Cisco. The SDL for Healthcare is a scalable and extensible Healthcare platform designed for Accountable Care and Personalized Medicine initiatives. AllegroGraph has played a critical role in the Semantic Data Lake for Healthcare, by facilitating integration of complex information for basic science,

clinical, population, community, environmental, behavioral and wellness research data to enable knowledge-based analytics, classification, pattern recognition, predictive modeling and simulations at scale.

About Pharma Tech Outlook

Pharma Tech Outlook is an online and a monthly magazine which covers most important and latest developments in the pharmaceutical industry. Through nominations and consultations with industry leaders, its editors choose the best in Pharma domains. Pharma Tech Outlook's December-January Edition is an annual listing of Top 10 Analytics Solution Providers. For more information, visit the website at: <http://www.pharmatechoutlook.com/>

About AllegroGraph

Unlike traditional relational databases or Property Graph Databases, AllegroGraph employs semantic graph technologies that process data with contextual and conceptual intelligence. AllegroGraph is able run queries of unprecedented complexity to support predictive analytics that help organizations make more informed, real-time decisions. AllegroGraph is the first Graph Database to support analysis across N-dimensions – any conceivable measurement of an object, property or operation. AllegroGraph can analyze temporal (time) and geospatial (location) dimensions relative to any 'event,' such as a disease, drug interaction, genetic combination, biomarkers, observations, image or physical sensors. AllegroGraph is utilized by dozens of the top Fortune 500 companies worldwide.

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flagship, high-performance, transactional, and scalable Semantic Graph Database, provides the solid storage layer for Enterprise grade NoSQL solutions. AllegroGraph's Activity Recognition capabilities provides a powerful means to aggregate and analyze data about individual and organizational behaviors, preferences, relationships, plus spatial and temporal linkages between individuals and groups. For additional Franz Inc customer success stories please visit:

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AllegroGraph Named as Leading Database Solution by

CIORview

Graph Database Market Continues Explosive Growth

OAKLAND, Calif. – September 15, 2015 – Franz, Inc., the leading supplier of Semantic Graph Database technology has been named CIOReview Magazine's Top 20 Most Promising Database Technology Solution providers. The award comes on the heels of Franz's recent announcement of the first Semantic Data Lake (SDL) for Healthcare, which was created in collaboration with Montefiore Medical Center (the eighth largest hospital group in the U.S.), Intel, Cloudera and Cisco. The SDL for Healthcare is a scalable and extensible Healthcare platform designed for Accountable Care and Personalized Medicine initiatives.

"Franz has been leading the burgeoning Graph Database revolution with a highly sophisticated, yet elegant Semantic Graph database solution," said Harvi Sachar, Publisher & Founder, CIO Review. "Franz's AllegroGraph continues to break new ground in predictive analytics and visual graph discovery capabilities- benefiting organizations around the globe within Healthcare, Intelligence/National Security, Life Sciences and Financial Services. We're excited to include Franz as one of our 20 Most Promising Database Solution Providers."

CIORview is a technology magazine that showcases enterprise solutions capable of redefining the business goals of enterprises. It is a neutral source of information for technology decision makers that constantly endeavors to identify "The Best" in a variety of areas important to the technology industry.

"Since our inception, we have always been in the business of 'solving complexity' through our Semantic Graph technologies," said Dr. Jans Aasman, CEO, Franz Inc.. "From our origins in the Artificial Intelligence boom, through our advanced

capabilities in Graph search and now as part of our Semantic Data Lake project, we provide powerful solution to complex challenges in the Enterprise.”

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During the recent Smart Data Conference, Dr. Parsa Mirhaji MD. PhD., Montefiore Medical Center and Dr. Jans Aasman, CEO of Franz Inc., introduced the AllegroGraph powered Semantic Data Lake. The need for semantic consistency within Data Lakes is a driving force for the Semantic Data Lake Healthcare platform. Adding semantics to a Data Lake dramatically eases the transformation and integration of multi-source, heterogeneous unstructured and structured data including free text clinical narratives.

‘Data Lakes’ have become one of the most discussed information management approaches over the past few years. According to Gartner Research Director Nick Heudecker, “Data Lakes typically begin as ungoverned data stores. Meeting the needs of wider audiences require curated repositories with governance, semantic consistency and access controls...” (Source: Press Release, Gartner Says Beware of the Data Lake Fallacy, July 28, 2014)

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Franz's Vice President of Corporate Development to Keynote at The 8th International Conference on Knowledge Science, Engineering and Management (KSEM 2015)

OAKLAND, Calif. – August 26, 2015 – Franz Inc.'s Vice President of Corporate Development, Dr. Sheng-Chuan Wu, will be a keynote speaker at The 8th International Conference on Knowledge Science, Engineering and Management (KSEM 2015) this October in Chongqing, China. The aim of this interdisciplinary conference is to provide a forum for researchers in the broad areas of Knowledge Science, Knowledge Engineering, and Knowledge Management to exchange ideas and to report state of the art research results.

Separating the Reality from the Hypes of Big Data

The world is drowning in data. Modern technologies and digital devices have made it very easy to generate, collect and store mammoth data that gives rise to the term, "Big Data". In 2009, Google published Flu Trends based on analyzing gazillions of flu-related searches to detect the spread of flu even before CDC could, demonstrating how to use Big Data to address societal needs. Since then, everyone wants to collect, analyze, invest in and make money from Big Data. Market research firms predict an exciting business opportunity of US\$50 billion by 2017. Industrial experts promise Big Data to solve virtually any problem we encounter.

Is Big Data really what all the market hypes allege to be?

There is no doubt that, by combining the enormous modern and inexpensive computing power and sophisticated Data Mining programs, we are able to process the zettabytes of digital data produced every minute. However, several challenges, namely heterogeneous data sources, convolute data relations and complex queries inherent to predictive analytics besides the sheer size, make it difficult to extract the essential value from big data.

In this talk, Dr. Wu will describe a new analytic architecture, combining the popular big data Hadoop platform, semantic index and distributed query to extract actionable business insight from big data in nearly real-time. He will show the power of this new architecture with real-world examples in Customer Relation Management (CRM) and Healthcare.

About Dr. Wu

Dr. Sheng-Chuan Wu received his Ph.D. in Scientific Computing and Computer Graphics from Cornell University in the US. He has, since graduation, been involved in several software companies, including the founding of the first integrated CAD/CAM/CAE company. He has in the last 20 years worked as a

senior corporate executive at the leading Artificial Intelligence and Semantic Technology company, Franz Inc in Silicon Valley, with responsibility in application development, marketing, consulting and new business development. Dr. Wu has also in many occasions collaborated with Bioinformatics experts from Harvard Medical School, Stanford University and Astra Zeneca, working with massive biological data.

Dr. Wu has been focusing on Semantic Technology over the last 7 years. He has routinely lectured on AI and Semantic Technology at conferences. He has, since 2007, conducted more than 20 week-long workshops on Semantic Technology and Artificial Intelligence in Malaysia, China, India and other Asian countries. Additionally, Dr. Wu has consulted on several Big Data and Semantic Technology projects in the US and Asia.

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Franz's semantic technology solutions help bring Web 3.0 ideas to reality. The company is the leading supplier of commercial, persistent and scalable Graph Database products. AllegroGraph is a high-performance database capable of storing and querying billions of RDF statements. The product provides solutions for customers to combine unstructured and structured data using W3C standard RDF for creating new Web 3.0 applications as well as identifying new opportunities for Business Intelligence in the Enterprise. AllegroGraph's Activity Recognition package provides a powerful means to aggregate and analyze data about individual and organizational behaviors, preferences, relationships, plus spatial and temporal linkages between individuals and groups. Franz customers include Fortune 500 companies in the government, life sciences and telecommunications industries. For more information, visit www.franz.com.

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Franz's CEO, Jans Aasman to participate on a panel for a "Conversation on Data Privacy in a Rapidly Growing Connected World of Intelligent Machines"

OAKLAND, Calif. – June 1, 2015 – Franz Inc.'s CEO, Dr. Jans Aasman, will participate on a panel for a "Conversation on Data Privacy in a Rapidly Growing Connected World of Intelligent Machines" being organized by the Netherlands Office for Science & Technology (NOST) June 23rd at the offices of the Consulate General of the Netherlands in San Francisco.

For everyone of us, the implications of sharing private information on social media are pretty much clear cut, be it perhaps for the lack of clarity of the user agreements and privacy statements that go with those social media. What many people don't realize is how much of our data is floating around as we use our devices, ranging from cell phones to cars. And this situation will become more complex rapidly as those devices are becoming more intelligent and interconnected. At the same time, having all this data floating around provides great opportunity, for example for diagnosing illnesses, detecting fraud and making educated infrastructure decisions. So the timing is right for having a balanced Conversation on Data Privacy.

About NOST

The Network of Science and Technology Attachès (Innovatie Attachè Network in Dutch) was founded in 1952 by the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs to provide quality information on technology and scientific developments in key innovation ecosystems around the world to Dutch businesses, knowledge institutes and the government. The Science and Technology Attachès are well informed about local science, technology and innovation developments as well as in the Netherlands. The organization is mandated to establish contacts and foster collaboration between the innovation community in the Netherlands and, in this case, the United States and Canada. The Attachès have developed extensive networks and provide introductions for Dutch businesses and researchers at an appropriate level in a variety of organizations. General technology intelligence is made available regularly to Dutch organizations and science community.

About Dr. Aasman

Jans Aasman started his career as an experimental and cognitive psychologist, earning his PhD in cognitive science with a detailed model of car driver behavior using Lisp and Soar. He has spent most of his professional life in telecommunications research, specializing in intelligent user interfaces and applied artificial intelligence projects. From 1995 to 2004, he was also a part-time professor in the Industrial Design department of the Technical University of Delft. Jans is currently the CEO of Franz Inc., the leading supplier of commercial, persistent, and scalable RDF database products that provide the storage layer for powerful reasoning and ontology modeling capabilities for Semantic Web applications.

Accomplishments:

Dr. Aasman has gained notoriety as a conference speaker at

such events as Semantic Technologies Conference, International Semantic Web Conference, Java One, Enterprise Data World, Semantics in Healthcare and Life Sciences, Linked Data Planet, INSA, GeoWeb, AAAI, NoSQLNow, Graph Data Management, RuleML, IEEE conferences, and DEBS to name a few.

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Bloor Research Positions AllegroGraph as a 'Champion'

in Burgeoning Graph Database Market

Graph Databases Identified as the Fastest Growing Segment of the Database Market

OAKLAND, Calif. – May 5, 2015 – Franz, Inc., the leading supplier of Semantic Graph Database technology, today announced its flagship product, AllegroGraph, has been named a Champion by Bloor Research in its recent Graph Database Market Update report. AllegroGraph is a high performance Semantic Graph Database that enables analytics by leveraging the W3C industry standards. **Graph databases are skyrocketing in popularity and** have grown by 400% in the past two years, according to a recent DBMS ranking by DB-Engines.

“We are excited that Graph and RDF Databases are beginning to get the attention that they deserve,” said Dr. Jans Aasman, CEO, Franz Inc. “In today’s data-driven environments, the ability to quickly analyze data from diverse sources is becoming critical. We are already seeing how Semantic Graph Databases with predictive analytics can help transform healthcare through Precision Medicine and make us safer through Insider Threat Detection.”

“Graph databases handle a class of issues that are too structured for NoSQL and too diverse for relational technologies,” according to Bloor Research. “Relational databases are inherently limited to one-to-one, many-to-one and one-to-many relationships. They do not cater well for problems (such as bill of materials – a classic case) that are many-to-many. For these types of requirements graph databases not only perform way better than relational databases, but they allow some types of query that are simply not possible otherwise. Semantic query support tends to be particularly strong in triple stores. Another major point is that research

suggests that graph visualizations are very easy and intuitive for users.” (Source: Bloor Research, Graph Databases, Philip Howard, April 13, 2015)

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AllegroGraph is a database technology that enables businesses to extract sophisticated decision insights and predictive analytics from highly complex, distributed data that cannot be uncovered with conventional databases. Unlike traditional databases or NoSQL databases, AllegroGraph employs semantic graph technologies that process data with contextual and conceptual intelligence. AllegroGraph is able run queries of unprecedented complexity to support predictive analytics that help organizations make more informed, real-time decisions.

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