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Inter-institutional Authorisation Management to Support eLearning with reference to Clinical Teaching

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The Project

- Joint project

- 2 years

  - May 04 - Apr 06

The Plan

- Newcastle and Durham share medical students

- Authorise these students and staff using Shibboleth

  - access from both universities *and* the NHS

- Staged approach - develop, disseminate

Objective

More people using Shibboleth

- Documentation for two levels

  - informing management

  - 'recipes' for setting up origins and targets

- Interfaces with two VLEs

  - BlackBoard (commercial)

  - Zope (open source)

Progress

- Pubcookie servers

- Several Shibboleth origin servers

  - Durham used docs to set up origin (*and KC-ROLO)*

- Joined several federations (SDSS and Athens)

- Access to online journals (*demo later)*

- Various Dissemination events

  - librarians, medical IT, NHS-HE connectivity

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Now

- Zope and BlackBoard targets

- Scoping legal documents

- More documentation (in under a month)

  - joining federations

  - accessing electronic journals using Shibboleth

  - attribute identification and storage

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Lessons learnt

- Certification authorities and federations

- Joining more than one federation can be problematic *(especially if they're using different CA's)*

- Active Directory Issues

- Technical authors are hard to find...

What's next?

- Test service for Newcastle VLE

  - small number of staff from Durham, Newcastle and the NHS

- Document

  - Blackboard as a Shibboleth target

  - Lessons learnt from setting up VLE service

  - Attribute aggregation

Live Demonstration