**Quarterly Update – February 2021**

**Attendees**

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Michael Carniello
Eli Miller
Joseph Rickert
Juliane Manitz
Lin Taft
Mark Padgham (ROpenSci)
Marly Gotti
Matthias Trampisch
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Nash Delcamp
Nicholas Masel
Pawel (Paul) Bernecki
Lyn Taylor
Yilong Zhang.

**Agenda**

- Risk Assessment app update and demonstration - Marly Gotti
- New sub-team volunteers wanted - central repository
- General updates
    - Comms / website
    - The riskmetric package
    - R Consortium
    - Testing
    - Stats catalogue
- AOB

**Update on the Risk Assessment app**

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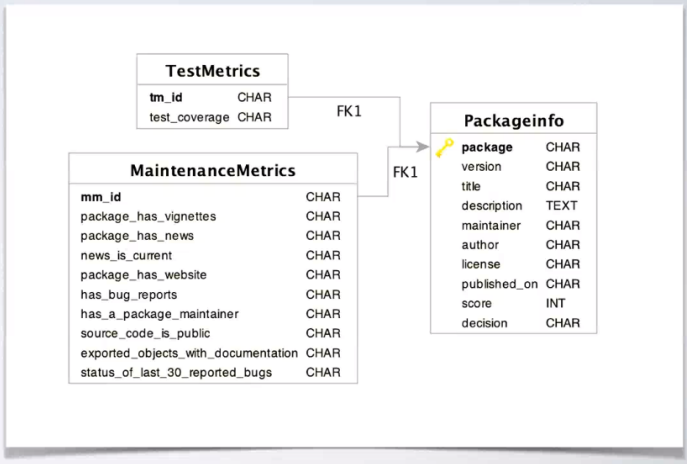



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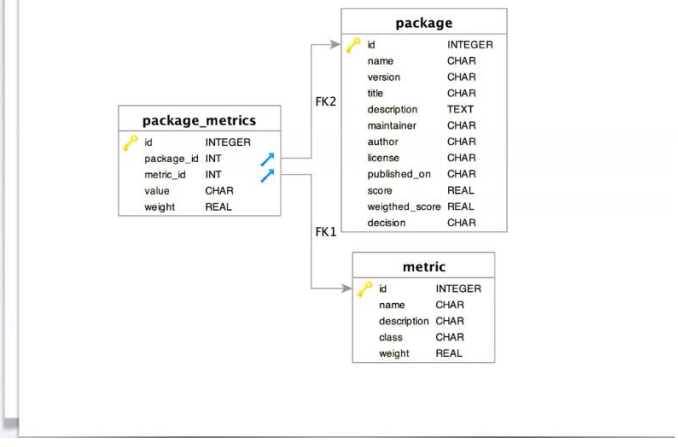
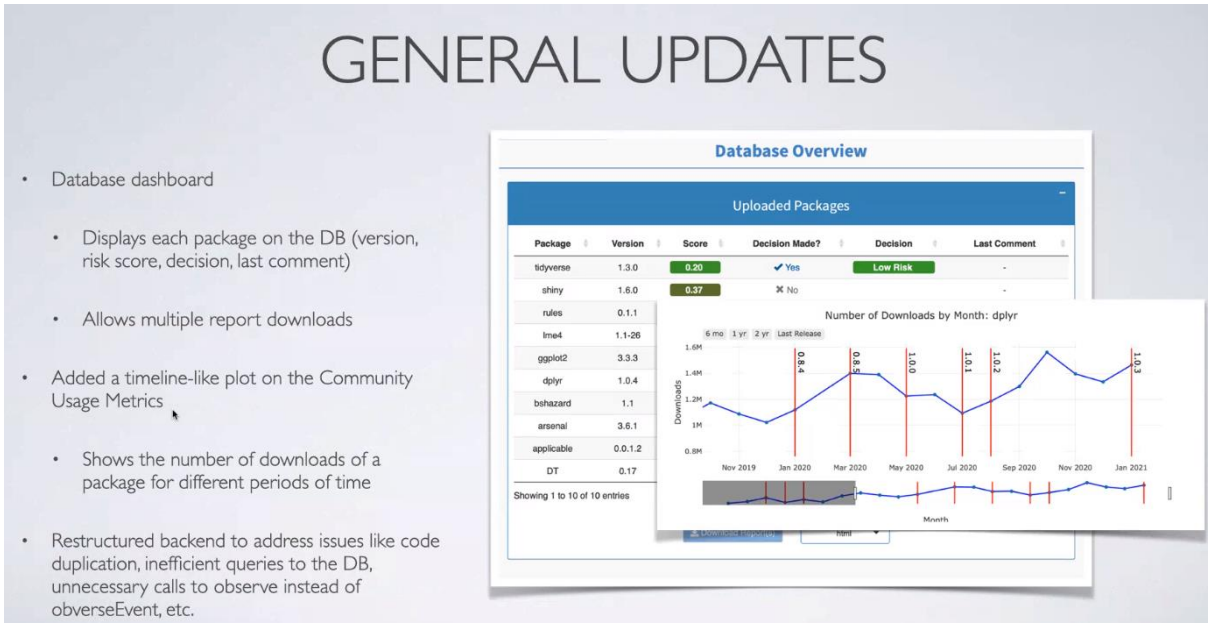
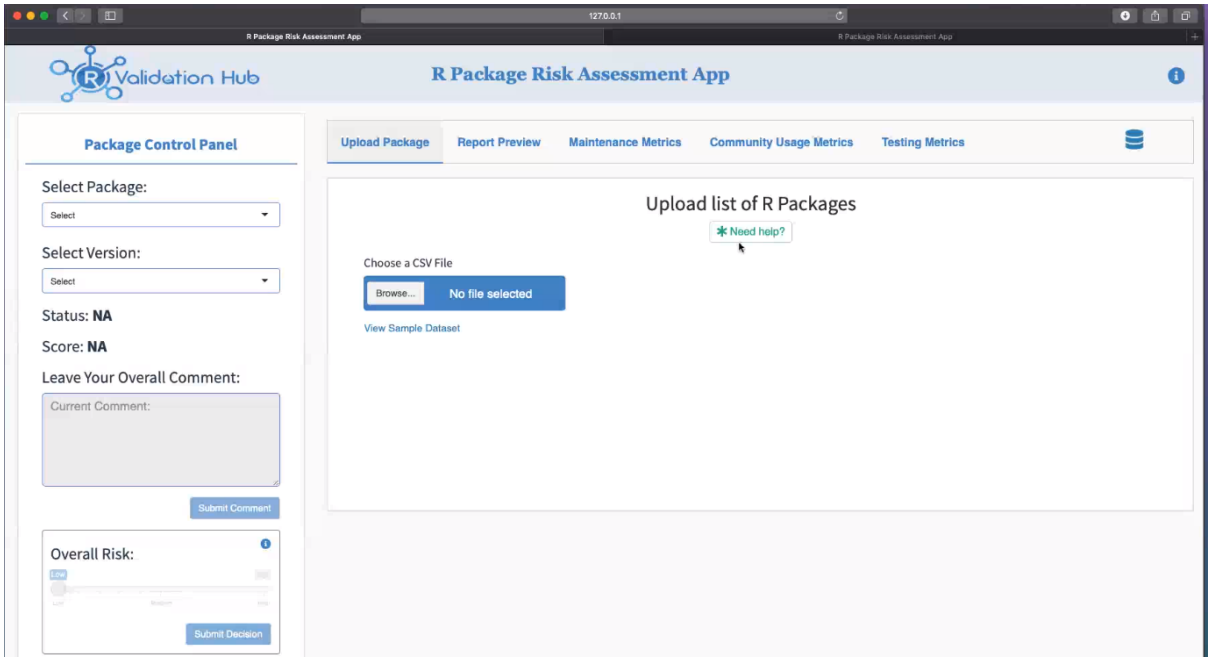
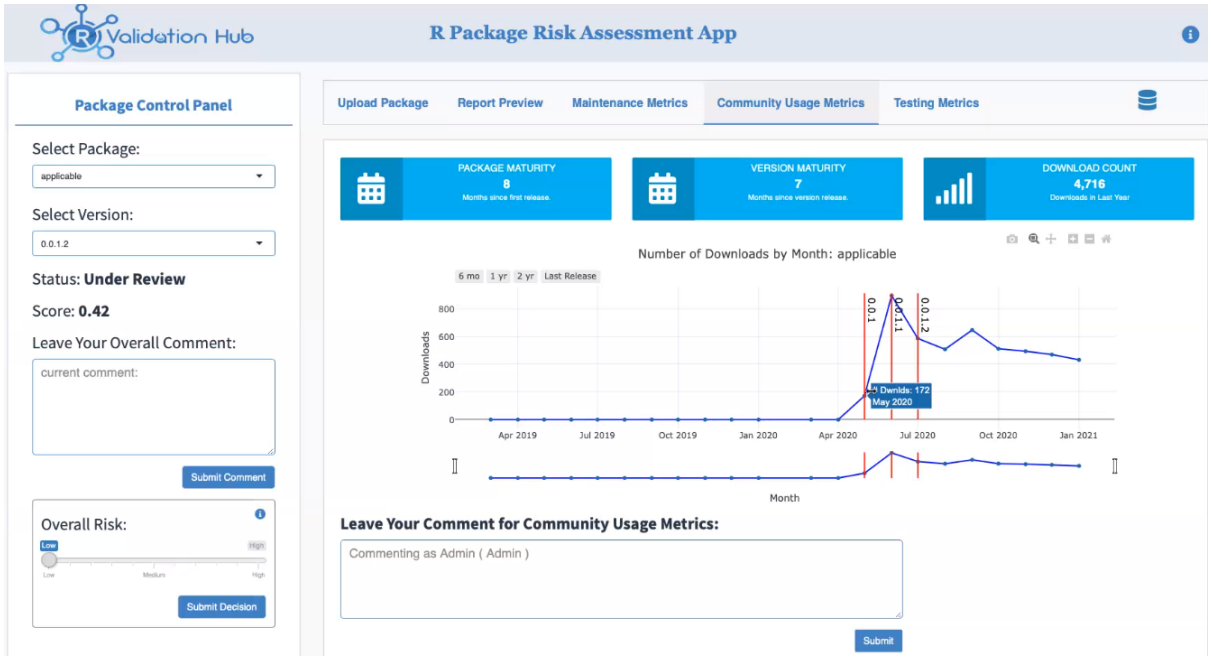





Marly selected a relative new package and showed the timeline plot. This reveals when it was released and download rate. You can select the timeline at the bottom to focus on a smaller review timeline. The Grey is the part not shown on the graph above.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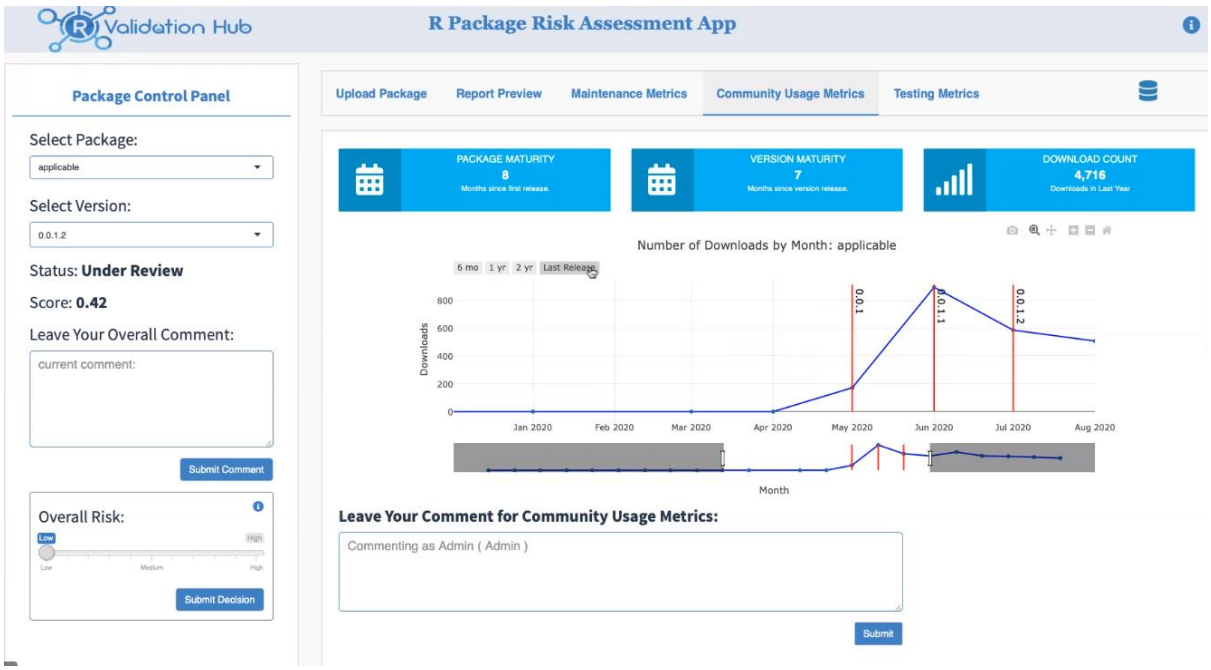
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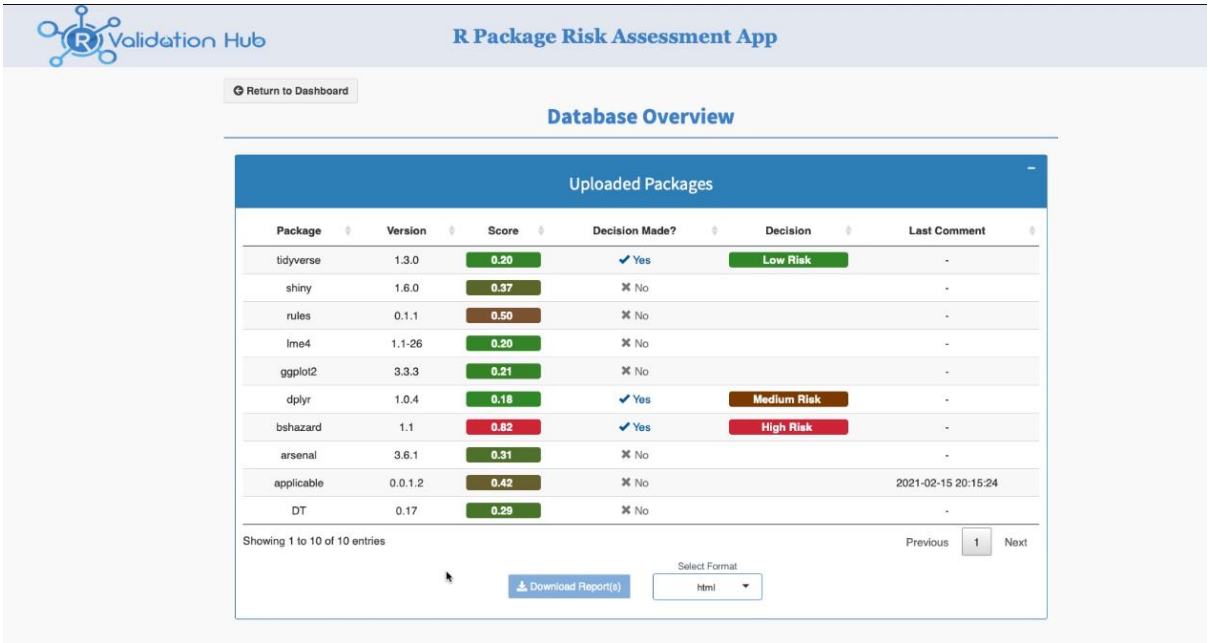
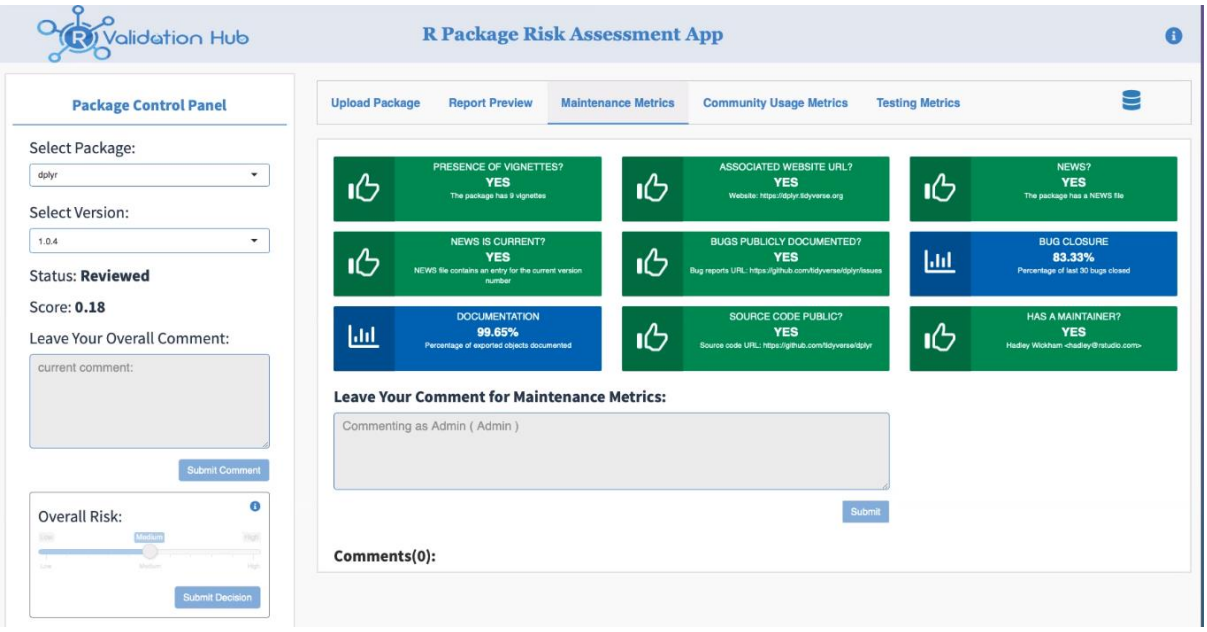



For the Overall Risk Score, 1 is high risk, and 0 is low risk. NOTE that the decision score is assigned by the user – based on their personal preference to risk. The current "Score" is based on the current version of riskmetrics but an option to configure weightings is due in future. If new are metrics added to rismetric today, they will not exist in the app.

It's just a proof of concept shown, for example, if you look at dplyr – score 0.18 so low score, but the user decision gave it a median risk. You can then go back to dplyr to check the rationale behind the decision of the user to rate it higher than the app selected.

Database dashboard is work in progress and intention is to add a second table that allows the user to add a second table to change the weight for each metric. This will allow the score for the package to change based on the weight you assign each metric. Weight of 0 means the metric wont be counted.



Currently the name of the metric & description comes from the App. However, to be able to populate new metrics in the app, we'd need the riskmetrics package to house the Label & description which currently it doesn't have. So the app assigned these based on the variable name.

Marly asked the wider group if there was anyone interested in contributing to the app to get in touch with her. Welcome to add issues on github and come with ideas for progress/development.

There was a question, if a new metric is added to riskmetrics, how long would it take to get into the App? – it would be quicker if the labels and description of the metrics came from the riskmetrics package – at the moment they are assigned within the App.

Is there any restriction of the choice of database – currently single live sql database doing live queries, if you want to change to a different database internally, then you could do an issue on github and do that.

**Central Repository**

Conversation ongoing regarding structure of a repository and how this may be possible to get started. Doug Kelkhoff updated the group. How packages get reviewed/assessed/approved and how we'd build that into a repository assessment of risk, for use with big pharma /small pharma/ regulators is all under discussion. If people are interested in getting involved in the team please reach out. There is also a new slack channel Rvalidationhub slack.com kicked off for discussion.

**General Updates**

Riskmetrics package is close to CRAN release.

Conferences that the R validation hub will be attending:
JSM Aug 7th-12th.

- ASA biopharma workshop (BIOP 2021) 21-23 sept 2021
- PSI: virtual 21 to 23 June 2021
- Hopefully
    - Use R! 5-9 July 2021
    - DIA: 27 June-1 July 2021
    - JSM 7-12 Aug

Please come “visit” us/share our sessions/ and reach out to us for discussion.

The R consortium are working on a RTS Certification for statistical accreditation for someone working in a SAS/R regulatory environment. Please get in touch if you want more detail.

Mike Stackhouse and team are working on a stats catalogue collating documentation detailing differences between SAS & R.

Testing sub-stream: At GSK they are built a suit of tests for qualification of R. The plan is to release this perhaps in April/May and hence this can be used as the basis of the testing stream. The tests are based on datasets that are available in literature.

Thank you for attending!