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1. The Shift+Click option on the LOINC hierarchy structures has been enhanced. The new version displays all six parts of the LOINC name in separate columns. The LOINC data can be sorted in ascending or descending order by clicking on the column headers. The column widths can also be adjusted by clicking and dragging the right edge of the column header.

2. A "View Details" button has been added to the main search screen. This button complements that "View Details" menu option that was available on the search context menu in previous releases.

3. The LOINC Details form has been revised. When you use the view details option, the resulting display now defaults to a new HTML display. This display shows the entire LOINC on a single, scrollable, page. The old display is still available via the "Structured" radio button at the bottom of the form.

A special mode called HTML w/details is included for the display of panels. In this mode, the additional details of each of the LOINC codes that make up the panel are included in the display. Using this option can result in some rather large displays.

4. The Mapping screen's size has been increased because of a need for more screen real estate. Users should run at a minimum resolution of 1024x768. Viewing at resolutions 800x600 and lower may be difficult and is not recommended.

5. The propose LOINC form now shows the OBX units of the local code that is being displayed when the propose loinc function is invoked..

6. The review proposed LOINC's from now displays counts.

7. The import HL7 option has been enhanced. You can now specify additional information about the sample results that are stored along with the codes. For example, you tell RELMA to include the 5 highest and 5 lowest numeric results. See the RELMA users guide for additional details.

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LOINC released in 3.16 RELMA is version 2.16 and contains 42,499 terms, an increase of 1,776. Approximately 1,000 terms have been edited. A grand total of 1,095 terms have been deprecated since beginning of LOINC.

Version 3.16 of RELMA (and HL7 Lint) is now available and can be down loaded from the LOINC website (<http://www.regenstrief.org/loinc/download/>). It now includes terms of which - are lab terms.

The program does not look much different but we have made changes in the database and structure that should simplify and speed the mapping of laboratory tests. (We will provide similar capabilities for clinical finding in the next release.) There should be a Regenstrief copyright notice-- on this just the (C) Regenstrief 2005. Some of this should probably be included in some version of the RELMA users guide too.

we have done four things to make the mapping more specific and faster.

1. Removal (temporary) of the ACS synonyms to reduce the number of terms that comes up in a search.

We removed the ACS synonyms from the LOINC term word index. The ACS synoynms are so rich and complete that they tend to include too many hits in the given query about a term. For example, when the ACS synonyms