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2010.02.25: Folding@Home Top 1000 out of 1,362,305 participants!

Well . . . more like top 900. If you're not familiar with the Folding@Home project you should check out their website. In short, the project co-ordinates the spare computing power of many computers interconnected by the Internet to act as one single, loosely-coupled distributed super computer to help scientists understand protein misfolding-related illnesses. The headline diseases are cancer and Alzheimer's of there are many other diseases the scientists using this system research. Less interestingly, there is little evidence to support the conspiracy theory that Folding@Home participants are helping Stanford University develop biological weapons. There are also some arguments against running Folding@Home if you care to read through them.

I have a few computers around the city running various Folding@Home clients. The one's in my studio are running on a few overclocked Intel Core 2 Quad Q9550's (3.4+ GHz), an overclocked Intel Core i7 920 (3.7GHz), two Nvidia GTX 275's and one Nvidia GTS 250. The machines are left online so that automated off-site backups and maintenance can complete uninterrupted and without interrupting work during the day. These other processes are not computationally intensive so I might as well put them to work.

Posted by Klyment Tan in Personal at 15:27

YeaY!!

When They make the biological weapon for zombification... you can deffinitely say that you have HELPED!!

one fold at a time brother... one fold at a time...
Anonymous on Mar 1 2010, 11:19