

Release Notes

Front Office 9.4

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1.0 Enhancements

The Biomni Community provides an ever-increasing set of self-help resources, including knowledge base articles, FAQs, videos, adapters, and templates to download etc. Support calls can also be logged here. It is accessible online at <https://community.biomni.com/>.

1.1 App Store Search Improvements

Reference: 2099

Improvements have been made to the search functionality within the App Store allowing extended wildcard search functionality. You can now use wildcard characters (* and ?) at the beginning of your search string as well as the end.

1.2 Add Support for SQL Server 2019

Reference: 1088

Support has been added for SQL Server 2019.

Support for SQL Server 2012 has been removed from Front Office.

1.3 Use of Inclusive Phrases

Reference: 1836

Use of more inclusive phrases, replacing the term listed below with a new alternative version following feedback from customers.

- 'Master Data': 'Base Data'

2.0 Bug Fixes

Description	Reference
Request Approval: Staging message appearing incorrectly.	2443
App Store: Incorrect ordering of tiles	2090
About Me: Concurrency error when saving changes	365

All bug fixes published within Front Office 9.3 SP1 are included.

3.0 System Configuration Setting Amendments

A full list of System Settings is available in the *Documentation* folder and via the *Admin > Support* category in the website.

4.0 Access Right Amendments

A full list of access rights is available in the System Settings List, available in the *Documentation* folder, and via the *Admin > Support* category in the website.

5.0 Installation / Upgrade Considerations

The install and upgrade process, as well as the instructions for applying a service pack, is explained in more detail in the *Front Office 9.4 Installation and Upgrade Guide*. If upgrading, please also review this section within each Release Notes for intervening versions.

Please contact the support team via the [Biomni Community](#) if you have any questions.

5.1 Prerequisite: .Net Framework 4.7.2

Front Office 9.4 requires .Net Framework 4.7.2 to be installed.

5.2 Role Privileges for Installation and Upgrade

The user who creates or upgrades the database should typically have the database 'sysadmin' role. Prior to starting the process, a validation check warns if the user entered does not comply.

It is possible to run with reduced privileges. Details can be found in the Installation and Upgrade Guide: *Appendix F – Installing Database with reduced permission set.*

5.3 SQL Server

SQL Server 2019 is now supported.

SQL Server 2012 is no longer supported.

If upgrading SQL Server to SQL Server 2017 or above, and you have the Front Office reporting feature configured, you need to do a standalone install of SSRS and ensure you are using the `Reports/` and `ReportServer/` virtual directories; do not use the default `Reports_SSRS/` and `ReportServer_SSRS/` virtual directories.

More information is available in the *Front Office 9.4 Installation and Upgrade Guide*.

5.4 SDK

The Front Office SDK can be found in `<installlocation>\SDK`

5.5 Software Requirements

It is recommended that the latest service pack should always be used for all software.

5.5.1 Server Operating System

The following operating systems are supported:

- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Windows Server 2016
- Windows Server 2019

5.5.2 SQL Server

The following versions of SQL Server are supported:

- SQL Server 2014
- SQL Server 2016
- SQL Server 2017
- SQL Server 2019
- Azure SQL database
- Microsoft SQL Server on Amazon RDS

5.5.3 Client Browsers

The following client browsers are supported:

- Internet Explorer 11
- Edge
- Firefox
- Chrome
- Safari