Medical Institutional Repositories in Libraries (MIRL) 2025 Symposium
Thursday, November 20, 2025 11:30 am - 5:30 pm EST

Schedule and presentations subject to change.
All times are in Eastern Standard Time.

Schedule

11:30 am - 11:35 am
Welcome and Introduction

11:35 am - 12:20 pm
Keynote Panel & Q&A

> **11:35 am - 12:05 pm**
> ***Different Views of IRs in the Medical Landscape: A Panel Reflects on 2025***
>
> Nicole Contaxis, *NYU Health Sciences Library*
> Colin Lukens, *Harvard Library*
> Dina McKelvy, *MaineHealth*
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> **12:05 - 12:20 pm**
> Keynote Q&A

12:20 - 12:30 pm
First Break

12:30 - 1:30 pm
Session I: Ecosystems

12:30 - 12:40 pm
Exploring Repository Platforms in Academic Health Sciences Libraries: Current Trends and Next Steps
Xiao Zeng, *University of Houston*
Shuyi Liu, *California State University, Fresno*

12:40 - 12:50 pm
Transforming Research Discovery: Centralized Systems and Generative Artificial Intelligence for Industry-Ready Collaboration
Timothy Cain, *Ohio Innovation Exchange*
Alexandra Winzeler, *Digital Science*

12:50 - 1:10 pm
Outage as Opportunity: Local Backups for Long-Term Access
Sarah Weirich, *University of Maryland, Baltimore*
Tara Wink, *University of Maryland, Baltimore*
Amy Lubinski, *University of Maryland, Baltimore*

1:10 - 1:20 pm
TUScholarShare Update: Celebrating 5 Years of Search Data Deposits
Will Dean, *Temple University Health Sciences Library*
Travis Nace, *Temple University Health Sciences Library*
Jenny Pierce, *Temple University Health Sciences Library*

1:20 - 1:30 pm
Session I Q&A

1:30 - 2:40 pm
Session II: Workflows

1:30 - 1:40 pm
Building repositories in the NHS: Practical approaches and best practices
Kobe Jong, *Atmire*
Ignace DeRoost, *Atmire*

1:40 - 1:50 pm
Go the Distance: Student Workers and Repository Impact
Jessea Young, *Loyola Marymount University*

1:50 - 2:00 pm
Smarter Repositories—Leveraging AI and APIs to Power Institutional Knowledge
Nicole Bentinganan, *Children's National Hospital*

2:00 - 2:10 pm
Cultivating Collections: Growing the IR Through Collaboration
Jennifer Langford, *University of Tennessee Health Science Center*

2:10 - 2:20 pm
The Data Rescue Project: Protecting Public Access to Public Data
Lena Bohman, *Data Rescue Project*

2:20 - 2:30 pm
A Trauma-Informed Approach to Video Review in Medical Institutional Repositories
Amanda Greenwood, *Claude Moore Health Sciences Library, University of Virginia*

2:30 - 2:40 pm
Session II Q&A

2:40 - 2:50 pm
Second Break

2:50 - 4:10 pm
Session III: Data

> **2:50 - 3:00 pm**
> **The Case for Data Sharing: Generalist Repository Real-World User Stories**
> Lisa Curtin, *Figshare/Digital Science/GREI*

> **3:00 - 3:10 pm**
> **Unwilling, Unable, Unsafe: A Policy to Meet Unusual Sharing Requests**
> Abigail Goben, *University of Illinois Chicago*
> Andrew Boyd, *University of Illinois Chicago*

> **3:10 - 3:20 pm**
> **University of Alabama at Birmingham's Research Data Catalog**
> Amy Reese, *University of Alabama at Birmingham*

> **3:20 - 3:30pm**
> **Measuring Citation Impact in Non-Indexed Repository-Based Journals: An Investigation of Repository Tools and Proposed Alternatives**
> Heather Brown, *University of Nebraska Medical Center*

> **3:30 - 3:50 pm**
> **Crosswalk that Talk: Migrating Interview Collections Using Existing Metadata**
> Jose Javier Garza, *The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center*

> **3:50 - 4:00 pm**
> **Lessons Learned from Showcasing Repository Usage Statistics to Inform and Inspire**
> Hilary Davis, *UL Research Institutes*
> Avkash Chandra, *UL Research Institutes*

> **4:00 - 4:10pm**
> Session III Q&A

4:10 - 4:20pm
Third Break

4:20 - 5:30pm
Session IV: Access

4:20 - 4:30 PM
Compliance and Collections: Making Medical Archives More Accessible
Meggan Cashwell, *Claude Moore Health Sciences Library, University of Virginia*

4:30 - 4:40 PM
Clearing the Hurdles: Strategies for Accessibility Remediation in a Digital Repository
Laura Riley, *University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus*
Lori Micho, *University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus*

4:40 - 4:50 PM
Expanding our IR after health system combination: Nurses lead the way
Jennifer Deal, *Advocate Health*
Karen Hanus, *Advocate Health*

4:50 - 5:00 PM
Evidence-Informed Decision Making at Monash Health
Cassandra Gorton, *Monash Health*

5:00 - 5:10 PM
Integrating Digital Archives & Scholarship: Raising Awareness of Library Historical Collections
Alice Sherwood, *Texas Medical Center Library*

5:10 - 5:20 PM
Rees-Jones Center for Foster Care Excellence Collection: Resources for providers, caregivers, child welfare professionals and others
Amy Six-Means, *Children's Health*
Erinne Conner, *Children's Health*

5:20 - 5:30pm
Session IV Q&A

5:30pm
Closing Remarks