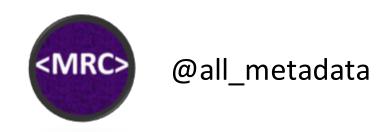


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Preservation

Preservation of historical texts is contributing to an ever increasing body of recorded knowledge.



Preservation

Action 1: Access, Use and Reuse

• Ensure that data is accessible to both designated users and re-users, on a day-to-day basis.

Action 2: Transform

Create new data from the original.

Persistence

 Digital renderings of historical texts have facilitated much broader access to their intellectual content but require context.



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GENESIS

THE TEN

COMMANDMENTS

PSALMS

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TEFILLIN

MINOR PROPHETS

COMMUNITY RULE

ENOCH

APOCRYPHON OF DANIEL

THE BOOK OF WAR

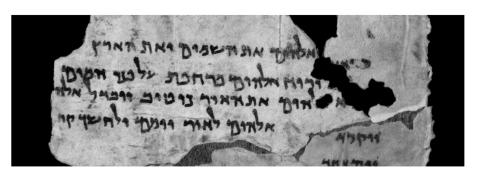
LEGAL PAPYRUS

The discovery of the first Dead Sea Scrolls in a remote Judean Desert cave in 1947 is widely considered the greatest archaeological event of the twentieth century. Bedouin treasure hunters and archaeologists ultimately found the remains of hundreds of ancient scrolls. These fragile pieces of parchment and papyrus, including the oldest existing copies of the Hebrew Bible, were preserved for two thousand years by the hot, dry desert climate and the darkness of the caves where they were placed. The scrolls provide an unprecedented picture of the diverse religious beliefs of ancient Judaism, and of daily life during the turbulent Second Temple period when Jesus lived and preached.

Biblical Scrolls

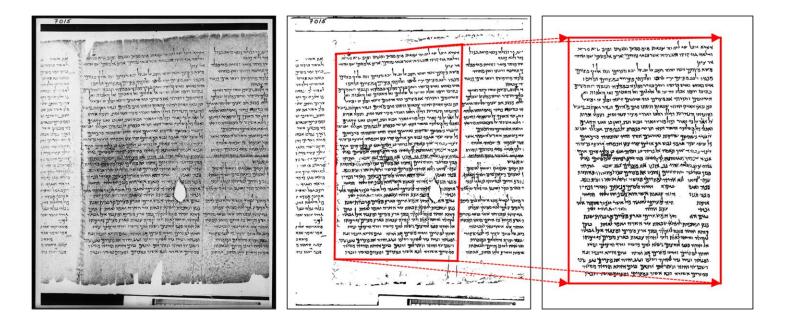
Fragments of every book of the Hebrew Bible (except the Book of Esther) were found in the Qumran caves, the most famous of the Dead Sea Scrolls sites. Remarkably, some of these ancient copies are identical to the traditional text of the Hebrew Bible that is

used today. Other copies preserve differences in the text, which was in the process of standardisation.



Performance

 Processing digital representations of historic text into machine readable and actional formats supports the goal of preservation by engaging a wider community and enabling access.



Popović M, Dhali MA, Schomaker L (2021)Artificial intelligence based writer identification generates new evidence for the unknown scribes of the Dead Sea Scrolls. PLoSONE 16(4)

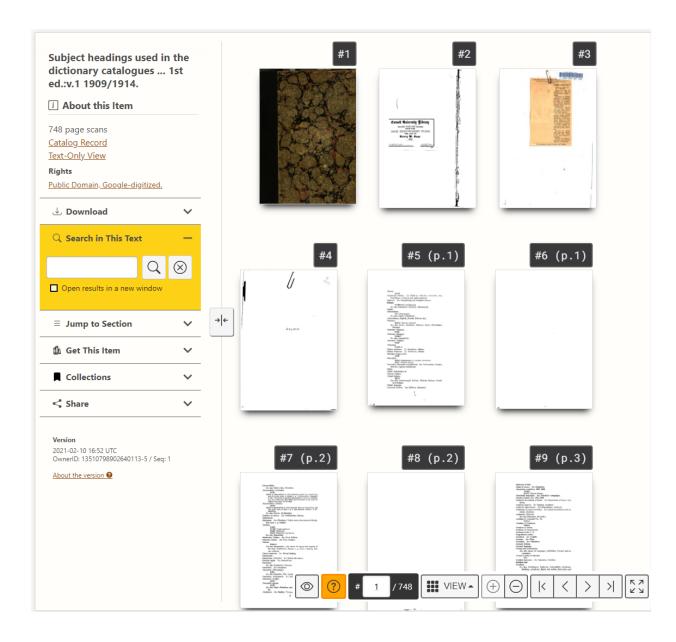
Archival Resource Key (ARK) Identifiers

- Have a decentralized infrastructure
- Are stable and portable
- Allow inflections to facilitate services
- Can be carried in a URI.

Historical Vocabularies

 If digitized historical documents are to be properly understood in their temporal context, it is also necessary to include historical vocabularies in the preservation process that align with the textual resources.

LCSH 1910



SKOS enabled vocabularies

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Concept and AltLabel
Concept and PrefLabel
Preservation (Natural history) See Natural history — Tech-
    nique; Taxidermy; also subdivision Collection and preserva-
                                                                  Scope Notes
    tion under Zoological specimens, Birds, Insects, Plants, and
    similar headings.
Preservation of books. Conservation and rectors
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    age; Food preserva
                           <skos:altLabel>Natural history-Technique; Taxidermy; </skos:altLabel>
    vision Preservation
                           <skos:scopeNote>also subdivision Collection and preservation under Zoological
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Concept Extraction



Helping Interdisciplinary Vocabulary Engineering

Vocabularies Search	Index	
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☐ Chambers☐ FASTgeo	☐ ChambersTest☐ FASTpersonal	□ Diabetes□ FASTtopical
☐ Gastroenterology	□ LCSH	☑ LCSH1910
☐ MeSH ☐ Pediatrics	☐ Metals☐ RADLEX	☐ Oncology ☐ ROO
□ Respiratory	□ SAREF	□ UAT
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Intuitionalism God Utilitarianism Moralities		
Morals Rations Rationalism Religion Religions Christianity Devil Insanity		
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Conclusion

Historical documents are being transformed to digital formats to enable analytics. Temporally aligned vocabularies have not been addressed on the same level. We have sought to address this deficit by transforming historical vocabularies from their printed or electronic forms and prepare them for analysis and encoding as linked data.

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