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**Purpose**
This poster describes how established and traditional library tools and services at an academic health sciences library served as the “nucleus” for new services and collaborations with university researchers.

**Setting**
Research and Scholarly Communication Services, Lamar Soutter Library, University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS)

**Digitized Collections**
- Dissertations
- Student publications
- Special collections
- Posters & presentations
- Conference proceedings

**Scholarly Communications**
- Funding agency mandates
- Author rights & Copyright
- Open Access eJournal publication

**eScholarship@UMMS**
Institutional Repository

**Outcomes**
Leveraging existing relationships with GSBS faculty and administration, a popular institutional repository, and the NIH Public Access Policy, the department successfully integrated itself into the research community of the University, producing a number of expanded and new services.

**Future Possibilities**
- Data storage
- Data management
- Digitized historical archives
- Collections for underserved populations

**Prophases**
- Prophase
- Prometaphase

**Metaphases**
- Metaphase
- Anaphase

**Telophases**
- Telophase