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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.

**Description**
The Department is charged with overseeing four major areas:
- Scholarly Communications
- Library Services to the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS), as well as the larger research community
- eScholarship@UMMS, the University’s institutional repository
- eScience Initiative of the Library

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

**Outcome**
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.