

Socioplastics [2508] – PortHypothesis – **The Wager on Where the Corpus Anchors – Core Decalogue IV – Tome III –** **LAPIEZA-LAB – 2026**

Socioplastics [2508] – PortHypothesis – The Wager on Where the Corpus Anchors – Core Decalogue IV – Tome III – LAPIEZA-LAB – 2026 (Tome III, FormationLayer, Core Decalogue IV Spine; v1.0.0, 2026-04-26; CC BY-NC-SA 4.0; canonical TXT, PDF surrogate). Abstract: PortHypothesis defines the strategic wager a corpus makes about where to anchor its primary infrastructure: a port is a stable connection between mobile production and durable storage, and the hypothesis names the decision about which platforms, repositories, identifiers, archives, and institutional frameworks can carry the work into the future. Concept: PortHypothesis names the deliberate strategic decision about where a corpus places its most durable anchors. Every epistemic infrastructure depends on systems beyond its direct control: repositories, identifier registries, archives, indexing platforms, metadata standards, institutional hosts, and public interfaces. PortHypothesis is the explicit reasoning about which of these systems deserve to carry the corpus's most critical structural components. The nautical metaphor is precise. A port is a destination only in a secondary sense; primarily, it is an interface between mobility and fixity. Ships arrive and depart; the port must remain operative. Texts, nodes, datasets, indices, and versions can move across surfaces, while canonical storage requires more stable infrastructural ground. PortHypothesis is the architect's reasoning about which ports to trust with irreplaceable cargo. In Socioplastics, this hypothesis is expressed through a hierarchy between ports and surfaces. Ports carry canonical objects: TXT files, PDF surrogates, DOI records, dataset layers, index files, archived versions, author identifiers, and persistent metadata. Surfaces carry rhythm, discoverability, readership, public language, and distribution. Blogs, newsletters, social platforms, and essay interfaces may be valuable surfaces, yet canonical storage belongs elsewhere. This distinction between port and surface is one of the most consequential decisions in long-duration corpus construction. A corpus that mistakes a distribution surface for a port becomes vulnerable to platform mortality: terms of service shift, ownership changes, algorithms change visibility, interfaces collapse, and archives disappear. A corpus that maintains the port-surface distinction survives platform instability because its canonical objects already reside in more durable infrastructures. PortHypothesis remains a hypothesis because permanence can never be guaranteed. Its method is redundancy: multiple ports, multiple formats, multiple identifiers, multiple institutional backings, and multiple routes of retrieval. If one port weakens, another carries the load. The hypothesis is tested continuously through platform stability, archive accessibility, metadata persistence, search retrieval, and identifier durability. Protocol order (2508): IDENTIFY primary ports through durability, openness, institutional backing, identifier persistence, and machine-readability; DISTINGUISH canonical storage from distribution surfaces; REDUNDATE canonical objects across several ports and formats; MONITOR platform stability, archival continuity, and retrieval behaviour; DOCUMENT the reasoning behind each port selection so future architects can revise the hypothesis. **References** – Bowker & Star 1999; Edwards 2010; DeNardis 2014; Jackson 2014. Citation: Lloveras, A. (2026). Socioplastics [2508] – PortHypothesis: The Wager on Where the Corpus Anchors (v1.0.0). LAPIEZA-LAB, Madrid. Slug: **socioplastics-2508-porthypothesis-the-wager-on-where-the-corpus-anchors-2026**. Interface: <https://antolloveras.blogspot.com> · ORCID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0009-9820-3319>. AUTHOR – Anto Lloveras · LAPIEZA-LAB, Madrid · 2026.