# Scholars Portal activities within the Canadian RDM landscape

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## Agenda

- Overview of Scholars Portal and RDM
- Updates on projects funded by CANARIE's RDM grant program:
  - DuraCloud Canada
  - Dataverse for the Canadian Research Community
- Where do these services fit into a NDSF?

# **Scholars Portal and RDM**

#### What is Scholars Portal?

- Service arm of the Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL)
- Provides shared technology and collections for Ontario university libraries and beyond
- Leadership in providing infrastructure and services around RDM
- 2 projects directly funded by CANARIE RDM grant program



#### **Scholars Portal & RDM**

Scholars Portal Dataverse

Dataverse is a research data repository to store, share, publish and discover research data (dataverse.scholarsportal.info)



Ontario Library Research Cloud is a high capacity, geographically distributed storage and compute network (cloud.scholarsportal.info)



Permafrost is a hosted digital preservation service providing tools, training and resources for processing digital objects for long-term preservation (permafrost.scholarsportal.info) DuraCloud Canada: Linking Data Repositories to Preservation Storage

## So this DuraCloud thing.....

what is it

### Wait, first let's talk about preservation

just for a minute, I promise

#### **Digital Preservation**

"Digital preservation refers to the series of managed activities necessary to ensure continued access to digital materials for as long as necessary."\*

This.



Not this.



\*: <u>https://dpconline.org/handbook</u>

### So this DuraCloud thing.....



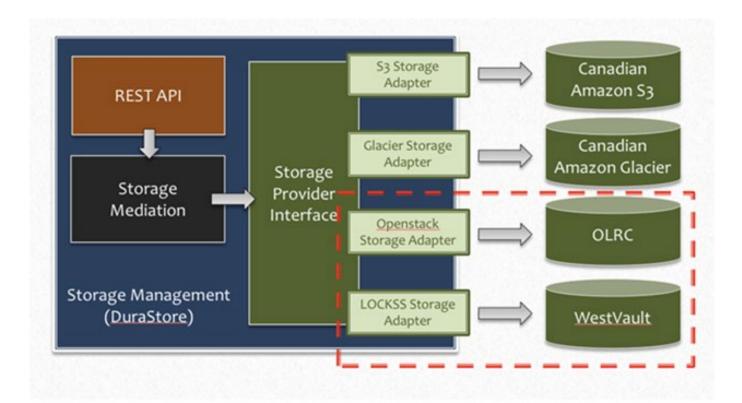


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#### RDM-0063 - DuraCloud Canada

"The purpose of the proposed project is to connect these preservation storage services through a common deposit layer based on software from the DuraSpace foundation called DuraCloud."



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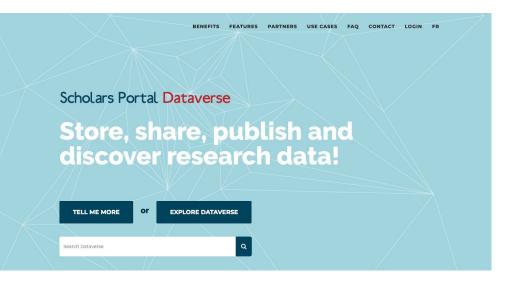
#### **FAIR Intersections**

- Accessible
- Reusable
- But really....

# Dataverse for the Canadian Research Community

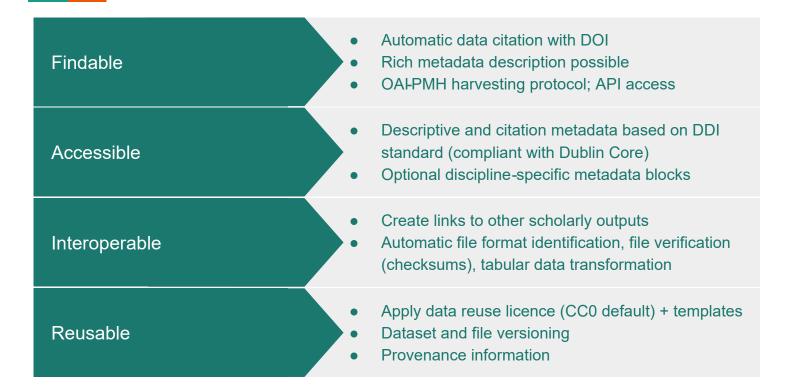
#### What is Dataverse?

- Open-source research data repository software
- Store, share, publish and discover research data
- Hosted by Scholars Portal on behalf of 51 universities across Canada



dataverse.scholarsportal.info

#### Dataverse features that enable FAIR



# Our project

- Aim to make enhancements to the Dataverse platform to address the needs of a broad range of users across Canada
- 3 key focus areas:
  - Authentication
  - Data Curation
  - Scalability





#### Our team

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Lee Wilson (Portage)

# 1) Authentication

- "As a user from an affiliated university, I want to log into Dataverse using the same login as other services I access."
- Integrate Dataverse with Shibboleth for single-sign on
  - Canadian Access Federation (CAF)'s Research and Scholarship (R&S) entity profile
- Enables ease of collaboration between Dataverse (as service provider) and institutions (as identity providers)
- Ensures secure and trustworthy exchange of identity **Scholars Portal Dataverse** information

Shibboleth.

#### Scholars Portal Dataverse

Search - User Guide Support English - Log In

#### Log In

Log in or sign up with your institutional account — learn more. Leaving your institution? Please contact Dataverse Support for assistance.

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		McGill University University of British Columbia	titution
Other options		University of Guelph University of Toronto	
Username/Email	Sign	University of Victoria University of Western Ontario	

## 2) Data Curation

- "As a user, I want to add details about the variables in my dataset after I've uploaded it to Dataverse."
- Developed the Data Curation Tool
  - External web application that connects to Dataverse to create and edit metadata at the variable level using DDI standard
- Aim to improve data curation workflows and promote adoption of standards and best practices
- Works with files uploaded through tabular ingest process (XLSX, CSV, SAV etc.)
- Launched as part of our upgrade in October

#### Labour Force Survey (Curated)

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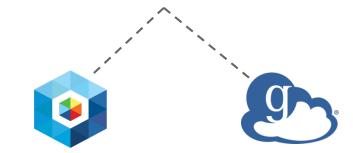
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# 3) Scalability

- "As a user, I want to upload files larger than 2.5 GB to Dataverse."
- Optimize system architecture for scalable use
- Connect to existing Canadian data storage environments
- Support large files in upload/download contexts

#### Scholars Portal Dataverse



### Dataverse - Globus option on "add data" page

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# Dataset page post upload

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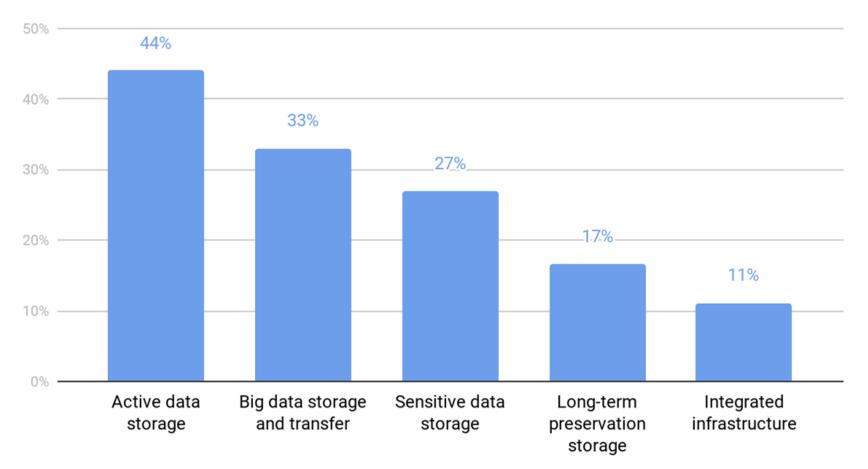
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#### Challenges and lessons learned

- Challenge working with open-source community for developments to be incorporated into core code
- Need for usability testing during development workflow
- Internationalization considerations
- Promotion of developments to ensure uptake by researchers and institutions

# NDSF connections

#### RDM barriers from OCUL RDM needs assessment



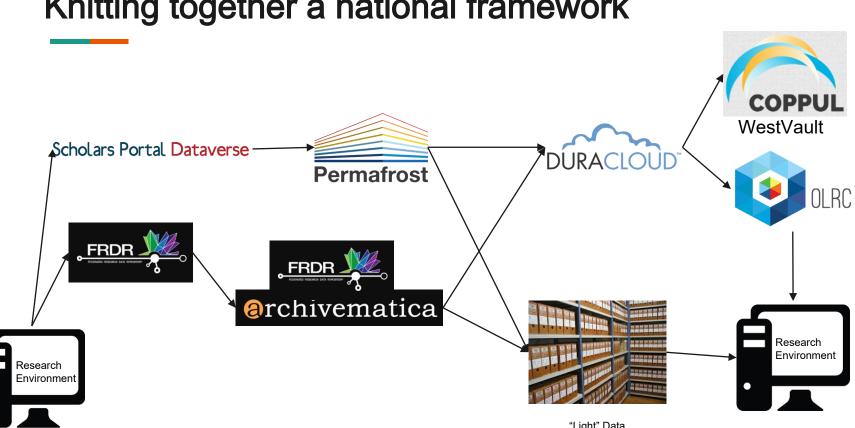
## Building a national Dataverse service

National multi-stakeholder engagement

- Engaging with Portage's Dataverse North Working Group
- Partnerships with other regional library consortia
- Defining national Dataverse governance structure
- Seeking national funding opportunities
  - CANARIE RDM grant program
  - Part of \$2M CANARIE Directed Funding program

Local connections and touchpoints

- Scholars Portal Dataverse Admin Contacts listserv and monthly meetings
- Training and outreach to help build local capacity
- Lowering barriers to access for researchers
- Continually evaluate and respond to researcher needs



#### Knitting together a national framework

"Light" Data Archive

# Thank you!

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