Collecting for Digital Repositories: Data Perspective

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The Data Conservancy

• One of two pending awards from the National Science Foundation’s DataNet Program

• The Data Conservancy embraces a shared vision: data curation is not an end, but rather a means to collect, organize, validate, and preserve data to address grand research challenges that face society.
Early Days – Lessons Learned

• Data are publications
• Data are new special collections
• Data are services
• Scholarly champions are critical for content recruitment and selection, but it’s important to develop cross-disciplinary use cases
• Future directions will have to consider integrated view of collections, services, and infrastructure
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Current Awards for Data Curation Prototype Development

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