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SNIA Long Term Retention for Medical AI Applications

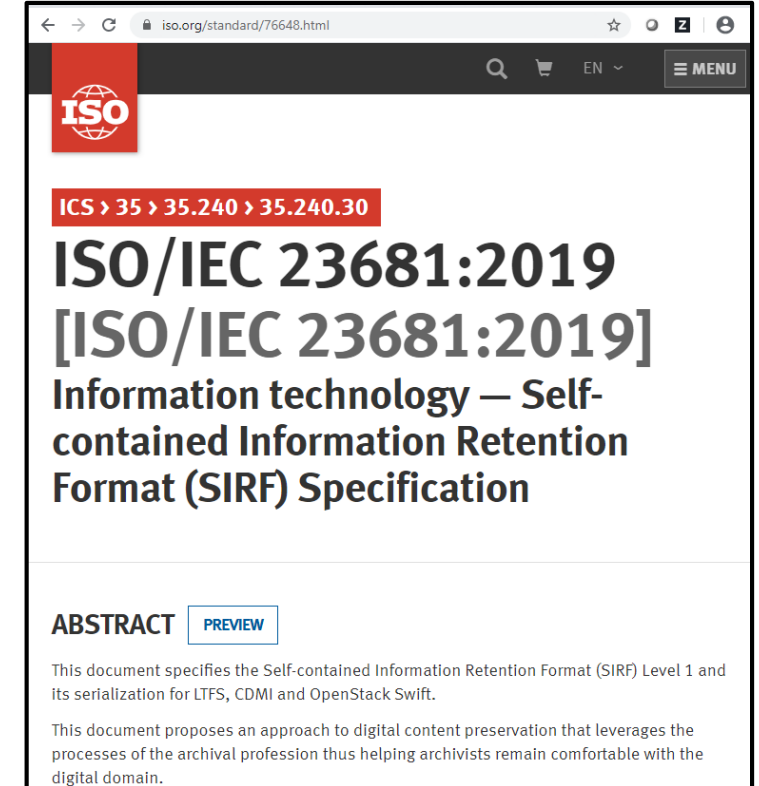
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Introduction



- SNIA Self-contained Information Retention Format (SIRF) became an ISO/IEC 23681:2019 standard.
 - ◆ SIRF defines a storage container for long term retention and preservation
 - ◆ Results from a long journey of SNIA Long Term Retention technical working group
- Medical analytics such as in the BigMedilytics project requires a lot of scarce data that should be retained for the long term
- In this presentation, I'll discuss the use of SIRF for medical artificial intelligence (AI) via Medical AI Bank



Outline



- **Digital preservation challenges**
- The SIRF standard
- Breast cancer pilot in BigMedilotics
- SIRF for medical AI
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Need for Digital Preservation of Big Data



- ▶ Regulatory compliance and legal issues
 - ◆ Sarbanes-Oxley, HIPAA, FRCP, intellectual property litigation
- ▶ Emerging web services and applications
 - ◆ Email, photo sharing, web site archives, social networks, blogs
- ▶ Many other fixed-content repositories
 - ◆ Scientific data, intelligence, libraries, movies, music
- ▶ Domains that have Big Data require preservation

Healthcare



X-rays are often stored for periods of **75 years**


Records of minors are needed until **20 to 43 years of age**

Scientific and Cultural



Satellite data is kept **for ever**

We would like to keep digital art **for ever**



Film Masters, Out takes. Related artifacts (e.g., games). **100 Years or more**

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Goals and Threats of Digital Preservation



➤ Digital assets stored now should remain

- ◆ Accessible
- ◆ Undamaged
- ◆ Usable

➤ For as long as desired – beyond the lifetime of

- ◆ Any particular storage system
- ◆ Any particular storage technology

➤ Threats

- ◆ Media/hardware obsolescence
- ◆ Software/format obsolescence
- ◆ Lost context/metadata

➤ Faults

- ◆ Economic faults
- ◆ Organizational faults
- ◆ Human error
- ◆ Attack

Requires both physical preservation and logical preservation and at an *affordable cost*

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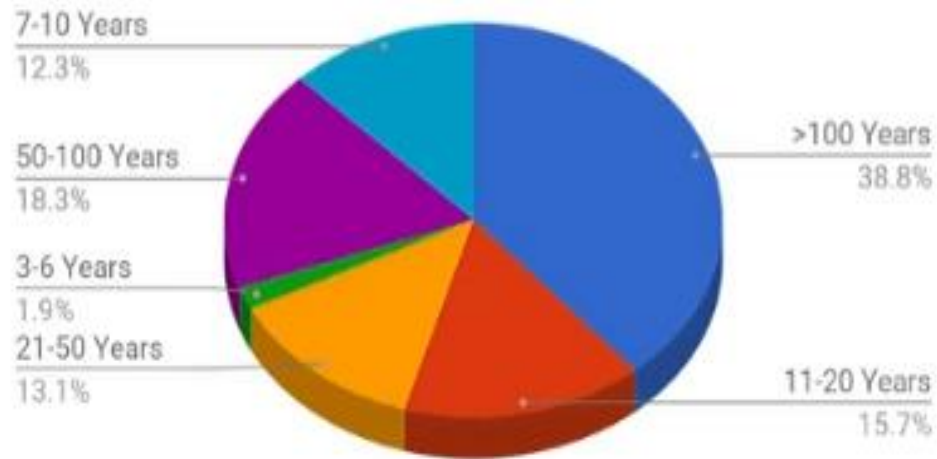
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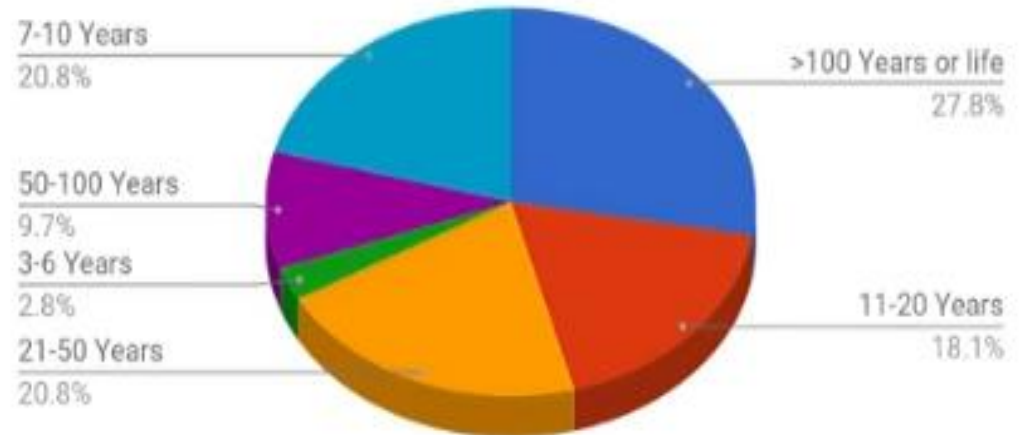
The 100-Year Archive Survey Results 2007 and 2017



2007



2017



➤ Solutions are now becoming available

- ◆ Standards – OAIS, VERS, MoReq, ...
- ◆ Storage formats - SIRF, OpenAXF, PREMIS, BagIt....
- ◆ Software – Fedora, LOCKSS, DSPace, Arkivum, iRods, Rosetta,
- ◆ Cloud Services – Preservica, Duracloud, Chronopolis, Dternity, Glacier,

➤ But, their usage is still limited

- ◆ Primarily used in government agencies, libraries, and highly regulated industries

➤ Why

- ◆ Lack of education or understanding?
- ◆ Lack of need, will, funding, etc.? Lack of penalties?
- ◆ Short term focus?

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SIRF: Self-contained Information Retention Format



An Analogy

- ❑ Standard physical archival box
 - ❑ Archivists gather together a group of related items and place them in a physical box container
 - ❑ The box is labeled with information about its content e.g., name and reference number, date, contents description, destroy date
- ❑ SIRF is the digital equivalent
 - ❑ Logical container for a set of (digital) preservation objects and a catalog
 - ❑ The SIRF catalog contains metadata related to the entire contents of the container as well as to the individual objects
 - ❑ SIRF standardizes the information in the catalog

Photo courtesy Oregon State Archives



SIRF Properties



- ❑ SIRF is a logical data format of a **storage container** appropriate for long term storage of digital information
 - ❑ A storage container may comprise a logical or physical storage area considered as a unit.
 - ❑ Examples: a file system, a tape, a block device, a stream device, an object store, a data bucket in a cloud storage

- ❑ Required Properties
 - ❑ **Self-describing** – can be interpreted by different systems
 - ❑ **Self-contained** – all data needed for the interpretation is in the container
 - ❑ **Extensible** – so it can meet future needs

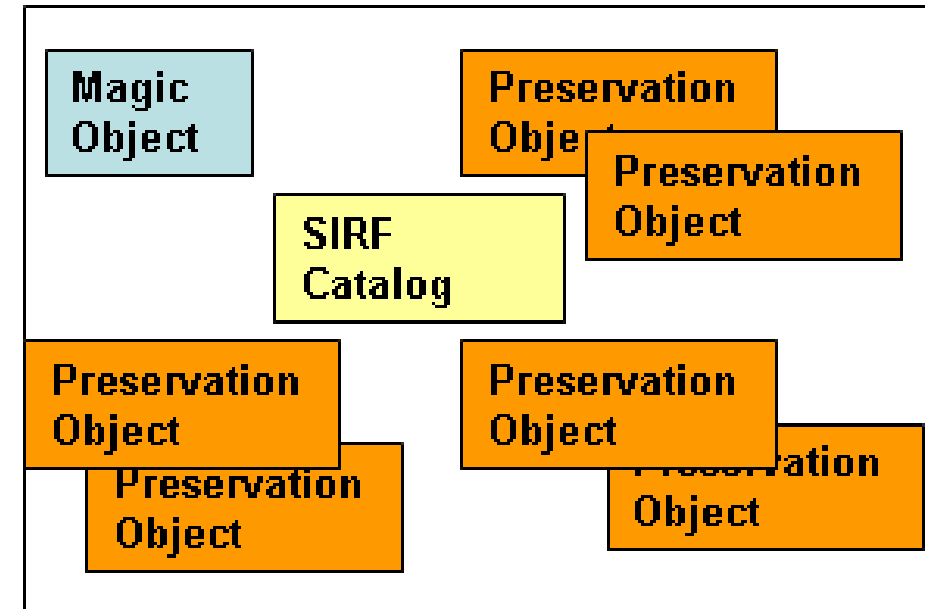


SIRF Components



A SIRF container includes:

- ❑ A **magic object**: identifies SIRF container and its version
- ❑ **Preservation objects** (PO) which are immutable
- ❑ A **catalog** that is
 - ❑ Updatable
 - ❑ Contains metadata to make container and preservation objects portable into the future without external functions



SIRF is inspired by the Open Archival Information System (OAIS) - ISO 14721:2003

SIRF Categories



The SIRF catalog includes metadata organized in a hierarchy of categories, elements and attributes. The categories are:

- ◆ Container information:
 - › Specification
 - › Container ID
 - › State
 - › Provenance
 - › Audit Log
- ◆ For each Preservation Object:
 - › Object IDs
 - › Related Objects
 - › Dates
 - › Packaging Format
 - › Fixity
 - › Retention
 - › Audit Log
 - › Extension

PO Information – IDs Category



➤ Elements:

- ◆ **PO name (objectName)** – non unique identifier e.g. file name
- ◆ **PO version ID (objectVersionIdentifier)** – unique identifier that identifies the specific version of the PO
- ◆ **PO logical ID (objectLogicalIdentifier)** - a unique identifier that identifies the various versions that originate from the same ancestor
- ◆ **PO parent ID (objectParentIdentifier)** - a unique identifier that identifies the parent PO from which this PO version was created. Parent PO shares the same logical ID as the current PO, but has different version ID.

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BigMedilytics EU project



BigMedilytics is an EU project on medical Big Data

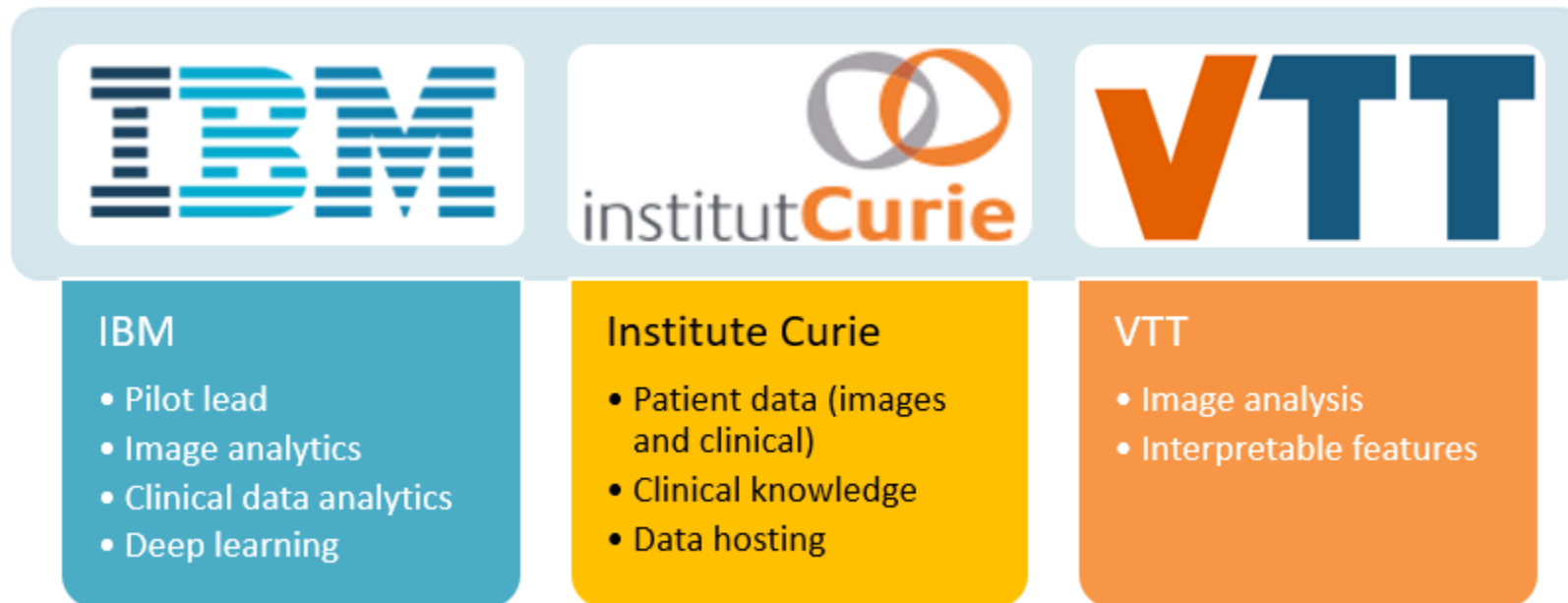
- Aims to transform Europe's Healthcare by using state-of-the-art Big Data technologies to:
 - reduce costs
 - improve patient outcomes
 - deliver better access to healthcare facilities
- A Private Public Partnership project (PPP)
- Includes 12 pilots in 3 themes:



Breast Cancer Pilot



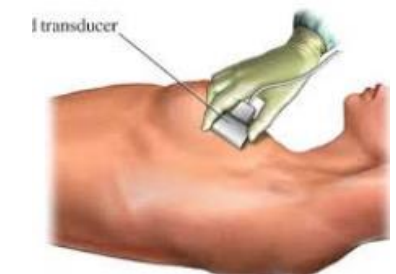
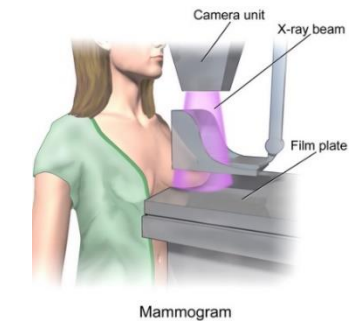
Goals: Improve treatment response for breast cancer by using AI to analyze MG, US, and MRI images along with structured clinical data. Reduce costs by tailoring treatment for the individual patient.



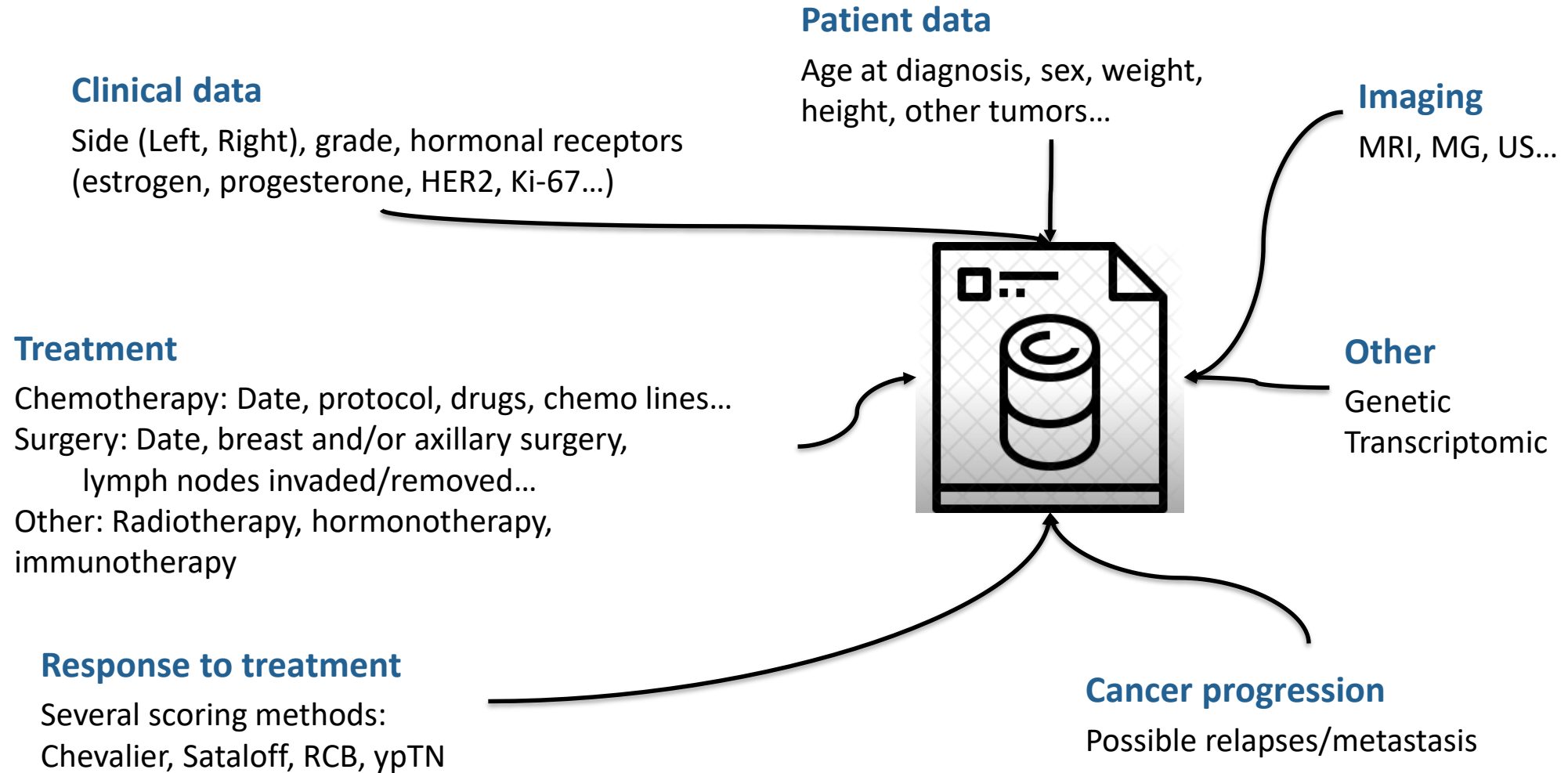
Breast Cancer Pilot



- Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy Treatment (NACT) is a treatment option in breast cancer
 - Decision today is made based on: tumor size (T3, T4), patient preference for breast conservation, hormonal receptors, HER2
 - Less than half of treated patients achieve pathological complete response with no evidence of cancer cells
 - Failed treatment delays a more effective treatment
- Radiomics can improve NACT response prediction
 - Extract large amount of quantitative features from multi modal medical images
 - Apply advanced deep learning and computer vision algorithms for precision medicine applications



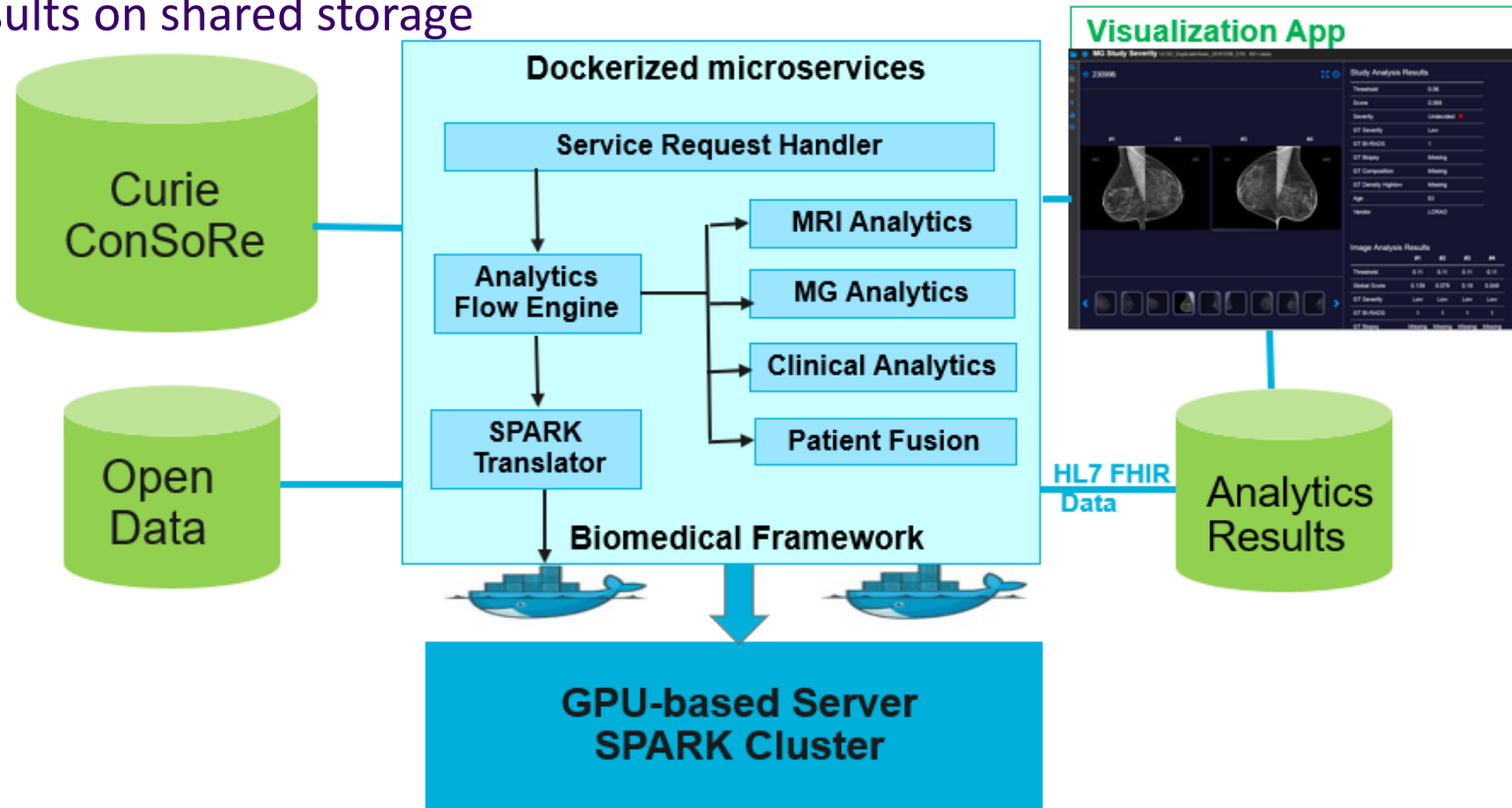
Curie Heterogenous Data Collection



Pilot Architecture



- Model-to-Data paradigm
- Suitable for on-prem or on-cloud
- All data and results on shared storage



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Medical AI Bank



- For medical AI we need big data and some of it annotated
- But getting the medical data is difficult
 - The data is scarce and distributed
 - Needs preprocessing
 - e.g. no standardized protocol for MRI scan acquisition
 - Adding annotations is expensive
 - Adhere to privacy regulations e.g. GDPR
- The need for Medical AI Bank
 - Analytics-ready data that is preserved for future research
 - Based on medical standards (DICOM, HL7 FHIR, ICD-10, UMLS,...)
 - Can get individual's data donations after his lifetime
 - Includes storage containers with SIRF serialization

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Goals of SIRF Serialization for Cloud/FS



- SIRF serialization for Cloud/FS specifies how a SNIA Cloud Data Management Interface (CDMI) cloud container or Linear Tape File System (LTFS) tape also becomes SIRF-compliant
- A SIRF-compliant cloud or file system containers enable a future storage client to “understand” containers created by today’s storage client
 - ◆ The properties of the future client is unknown to us today
 - ◆ “understand” means identify the preservation objects in the container, the packaging format of each object, its fixities values, etc. (as defined in the SIRF catalog)
- OpenSif is an open source implementation of SIRF serialization for the cloud

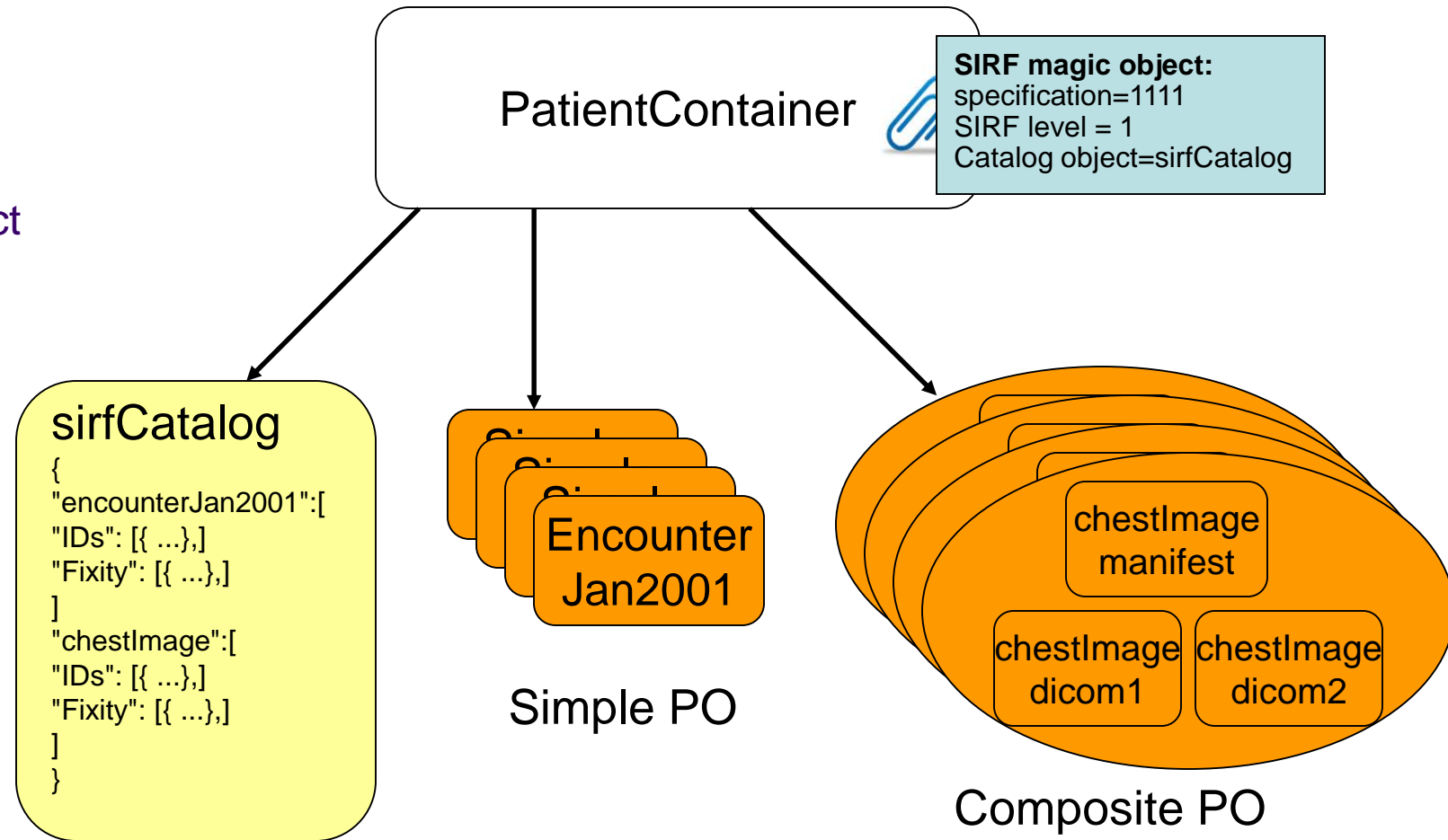
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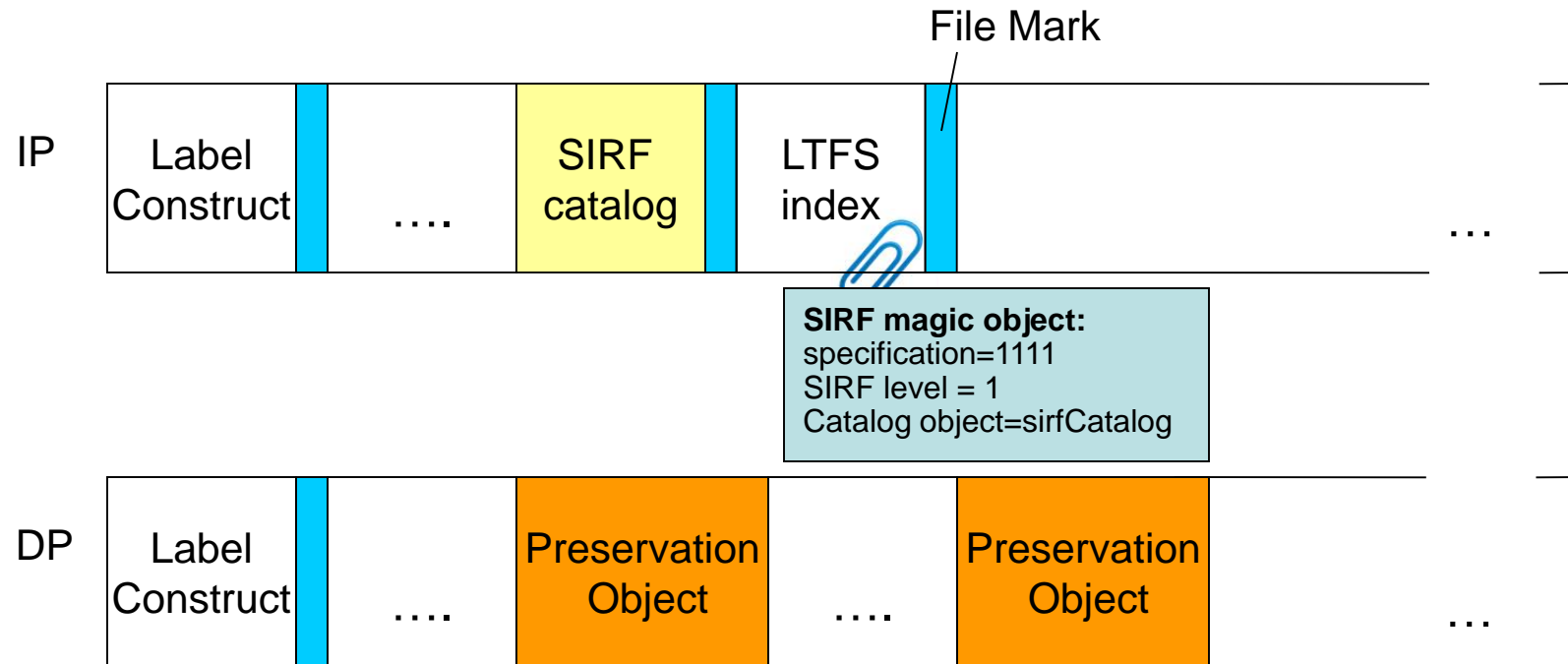
SIRF Serialization for Cloud



- SIRF magic object is mapped to the CDMI container metadata
- SIRF catalog is an object in the CDMI container formatted in JSON
- SIRF Simple/Composite PO is mapped to CDMI data object/set of data objects



SIRF Serialization for LTFS Tape



- SIRF magic object is mapped to extended attributes of the “LTFS index” root directory
- SIRF catalog resides in the index partition and formatted in XML
- SIRF Simple/Composite PO is mapped to a LTFS file/set of files

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Summary



- Need to retain not only information of interest but ALL other information to make it fully usable in the future
 - ◆ Put it all in the SIRF “digital box”, preserve that as a unit
 - ◆ SIRF includes metadata about the storage container, to help “understand” the contents of the container in the future

- Medical AI Bank is a vision that requires digital preservation
 - ◆ Utilize SIRF for collecting all of the information that will be needed to transition to new technologies in the future
 - ◆ SIRF can be serialized for the future technologies as they come

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For further information



- SIRF specification
<https://www.iso.org/standard/76648.html>
http://www.snia.org/tech_activities/standards/curr_standards/sirf
- More information on SIRF & SNIA LTR activities
<http://www.snia.org/ltr>
- OpenSIRF is available at:
<http://github.com/opensirf>
- BigMedilytics EU project
<https://www.bigmedilytics.eu/>

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