
Digital Resource Management

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Overview

Alma Digital provides a rich and flexible set of workflows for managing an institution's digital repository - from deposit and cataloging to delivery and publishing.

Specto

Ex Libris is launching a major multi-year project to create Specto, a unified digital asset management solution that offers a new level of interaction with special collections.

Specto will use an AI Metadata Assistant to automatically extract, identify and analyze information from digital assets. Specto will leverage advanced technologies to create connections between assets. The automatic processing will optimize staff time efficiently and provide patrons with a rich world of data which was never available to them previously.

Specto will also introduce a state-of-art exhibition builder for special collections, and will also be expandable to include a complete digital preservation solution for long-term access.

Upon the launch of Specto, all current Alma Digital customers will be automatically transitioned to the Specto starter solution, which encompasses all the functionalities of Alma Digital and additional features, with the opportunity to upgrade to the advanced Specto solution.

Preservation

Ex Libris is building an advanced digital preservation solution, offering comprehensive and cutting-edge services for guaranteeing perpetual access to digital collections. The solution will be available to the community in early 2025 and will serve as an optional, integrated addition to Specto once Specto becomes available to the community. The digital preservation workflows will be based on community expertise combined with the Ex Libris cloud platform technologies, in

order to provide a secure, reliable and scalable solution.

Roadmap

2024 H2	2025 H1	2025 H2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued MODS Enhancements Digital Titles Staff Search – Enhanced UX 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alma Digital working group - Independent NERS and Ideas Exchange 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Files Staff Search – Enhanced UX

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Digital Titles Staff Search – Enhanced UX



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What's New	Highlights	Impact
<p>The Digital Titles Staff Search will be updated and redesigned for better usability, performance, productivity, and overall user experience.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to use multi-value selection facets. Ability to perform cross-page bulk operations. Show more information. Perform quick actions. 	<p>The user will be able to quickly find titles and perform actions as needed.</p>

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Alma Digital working group - NERS and Ideas Exchange

The Alma Digital working group is dedicated to developing and implementing a solution aimed at enhancing digital experiences for customers. In the longer term, the community's expertise and impact will serve the next-gen Specto solution, described above.

A dedicated Ideas Exchange forum and NERS voting pool will allow customers and Ex Libris to design the product roadmap according to the community needs.

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Continued MODS Enhancements

What's New	Highlights	Impact
Normalize MODS records in Alma	Intuitive mechanism for normalizing MODS records during import and for existing records	Upgrade cataloging support for MODS.

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2025 H2

Digital Files Staff Search – Enhanced UX



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What's New	Highlights	Impact
Search and run jobs on the file level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Search on the file level.• Create file-level sets.• Run file-level jobs.	Simplify digital content management.

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