

Connecting Processes to Data via Meta-Data

Perspectives of Data collection and Exchange

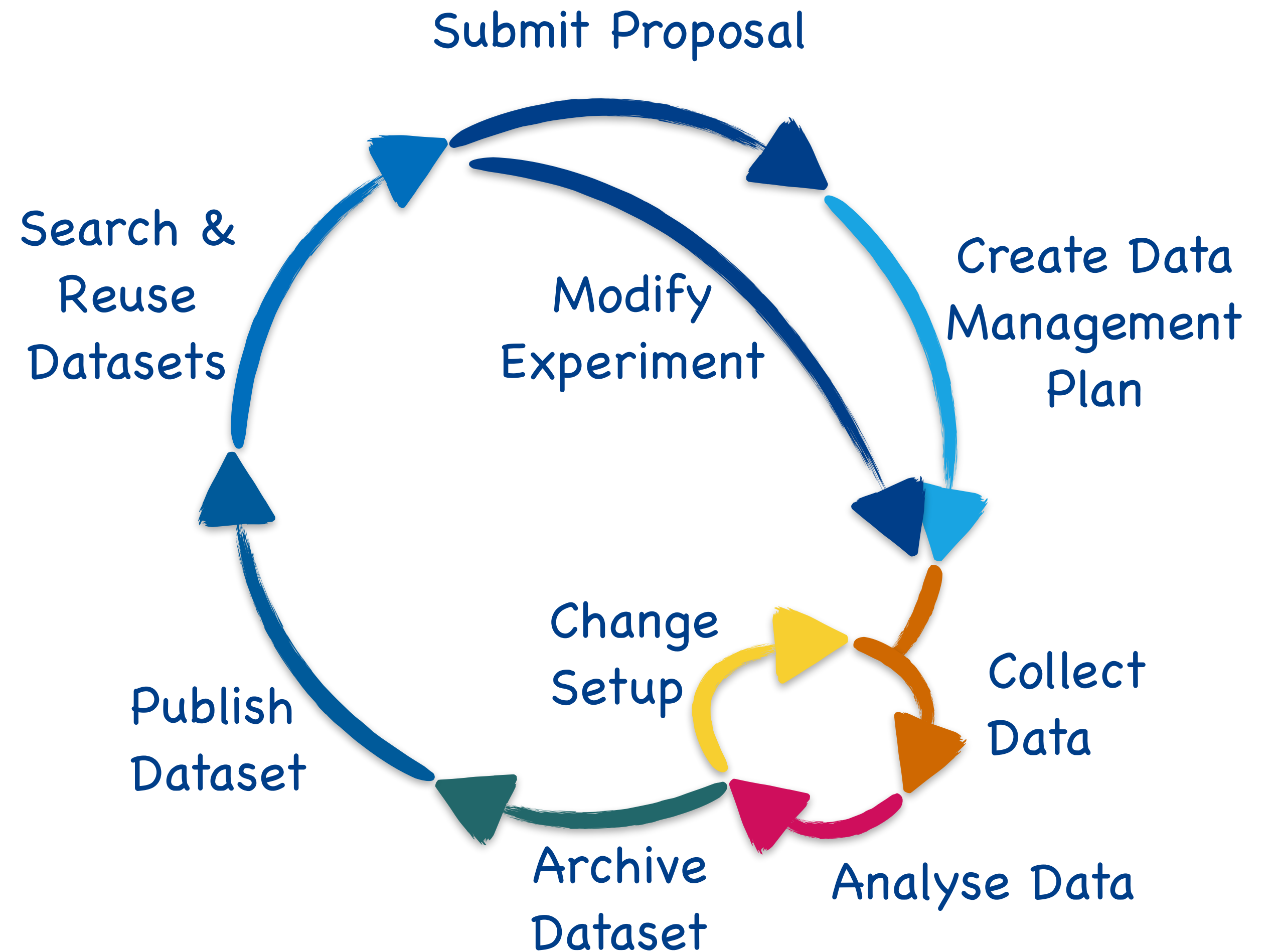
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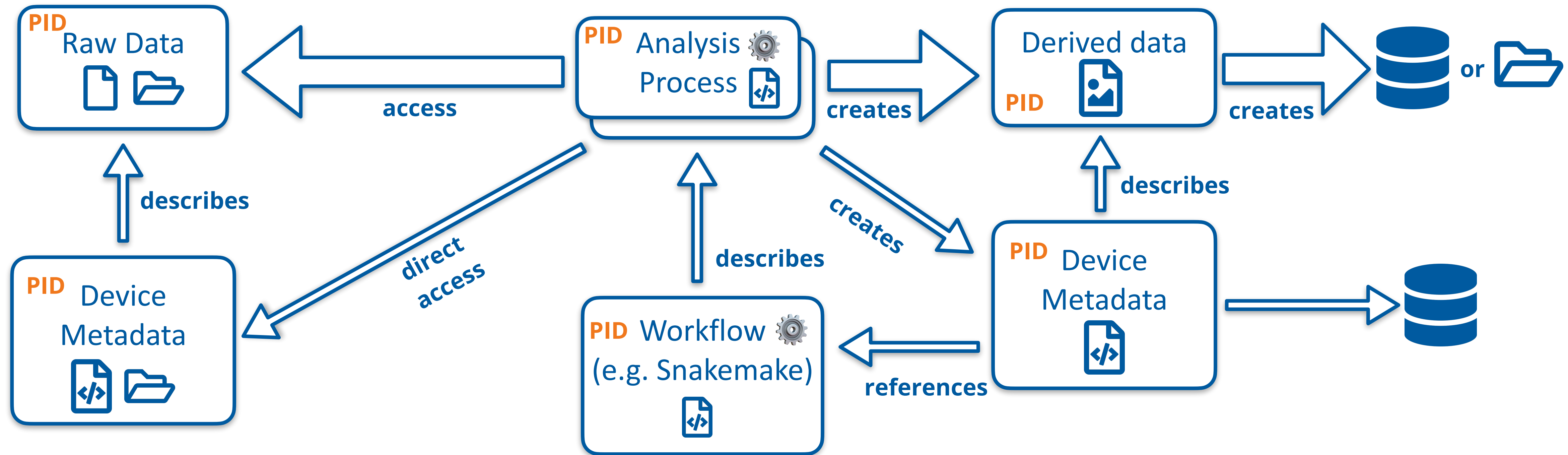


Our Challenge: An End-to-End Digital Data Lifecycle

- We support many steps of our different research experiment (matter, energy and health) with tools:
 - Electronic lab notebook (**E-Logbook**),
 - Interactive analysis,
 - Publication of datasets,
 - Scientific workflow management,
 - Handle generation and management.
- A uniform and smooth access to and between all services and **processes** in a digital ecosystem is necessary.
- The description and interconnection between all linked resources through metadata is essential to create a **comprehensible** and **FAIR** experiment.

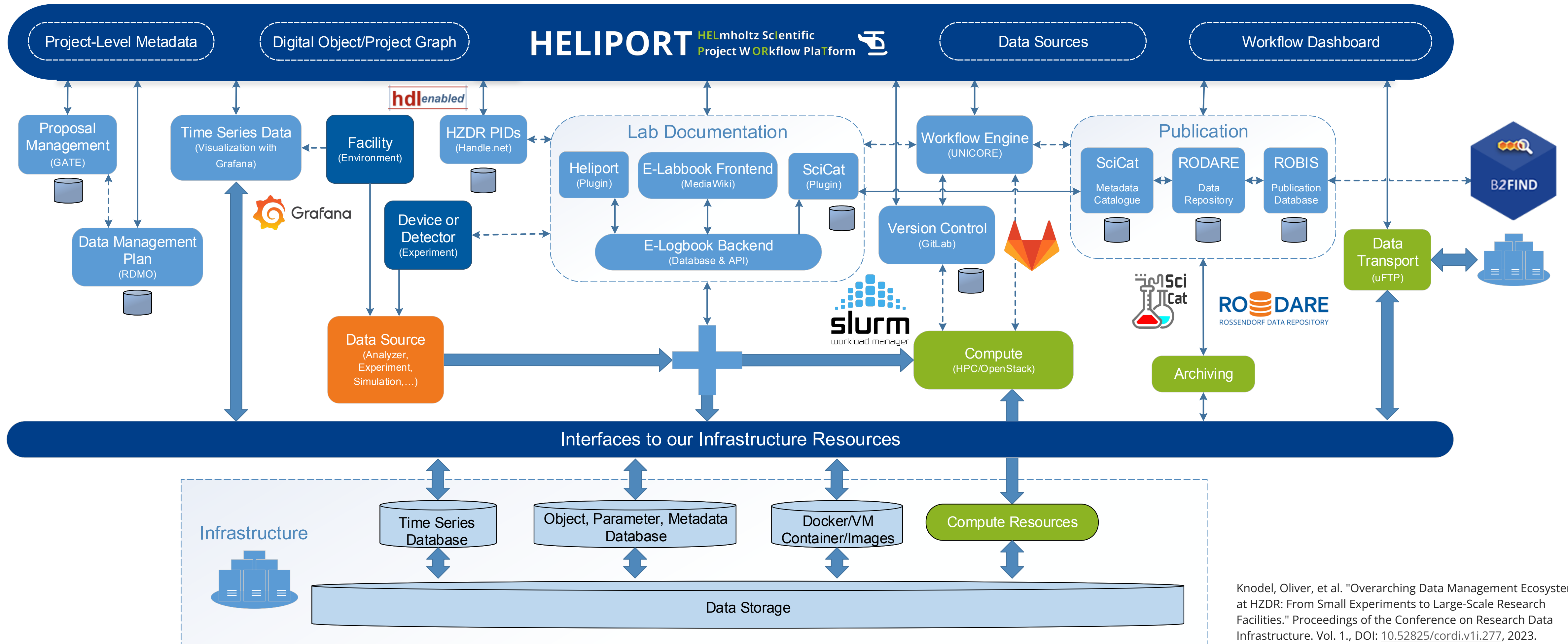


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- The entry point is usually the raw data set that is generated from the test setup (e.g. detector, camera)
- Each data product should be described by a (standardised) metadata schema
- Process (or workflows) can access the RAW data via the corresponding metadata (with associated identifier)
- Workflows themselves should be described regarding the FAIR principles
- Derived data should contain additional descriptive metadata and an exchangeable data format (e.g. HELPMI)
- **PIDs** (e.g. Handles, DOIS) are essential to provide persistent identifier for data and metadata

Digital Research Landscapes at HZDR



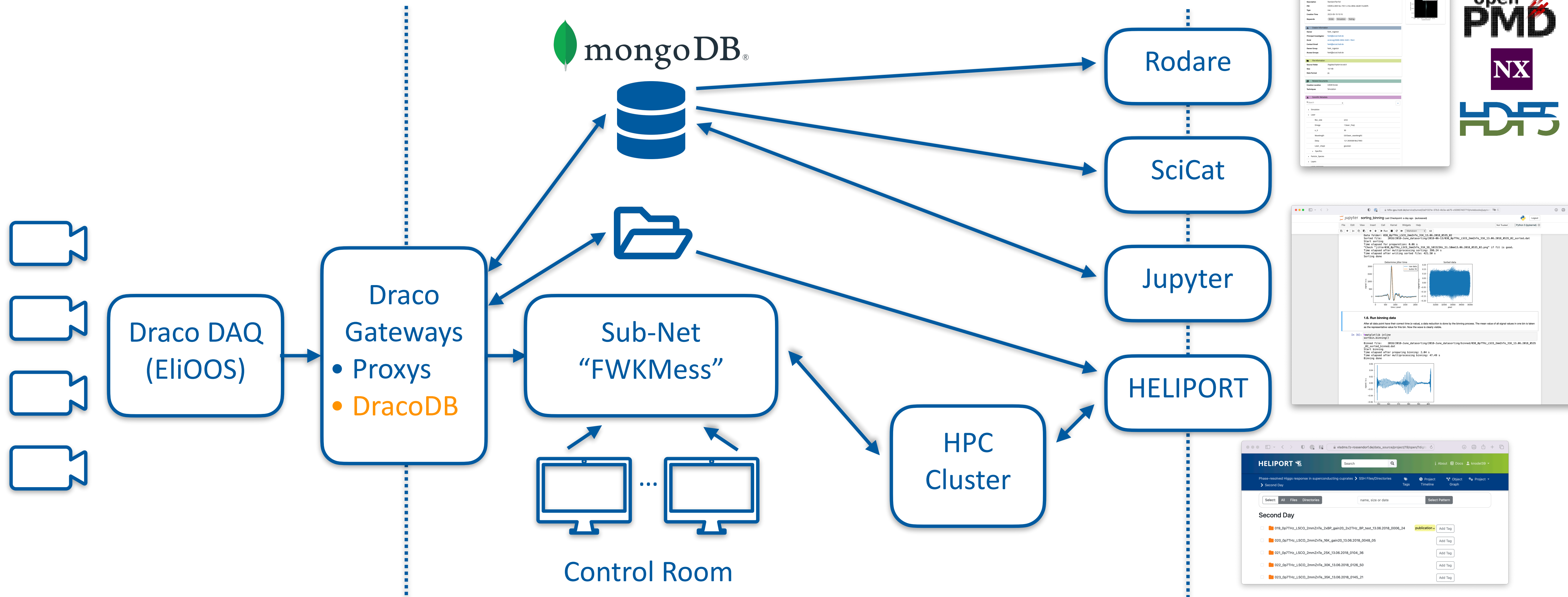
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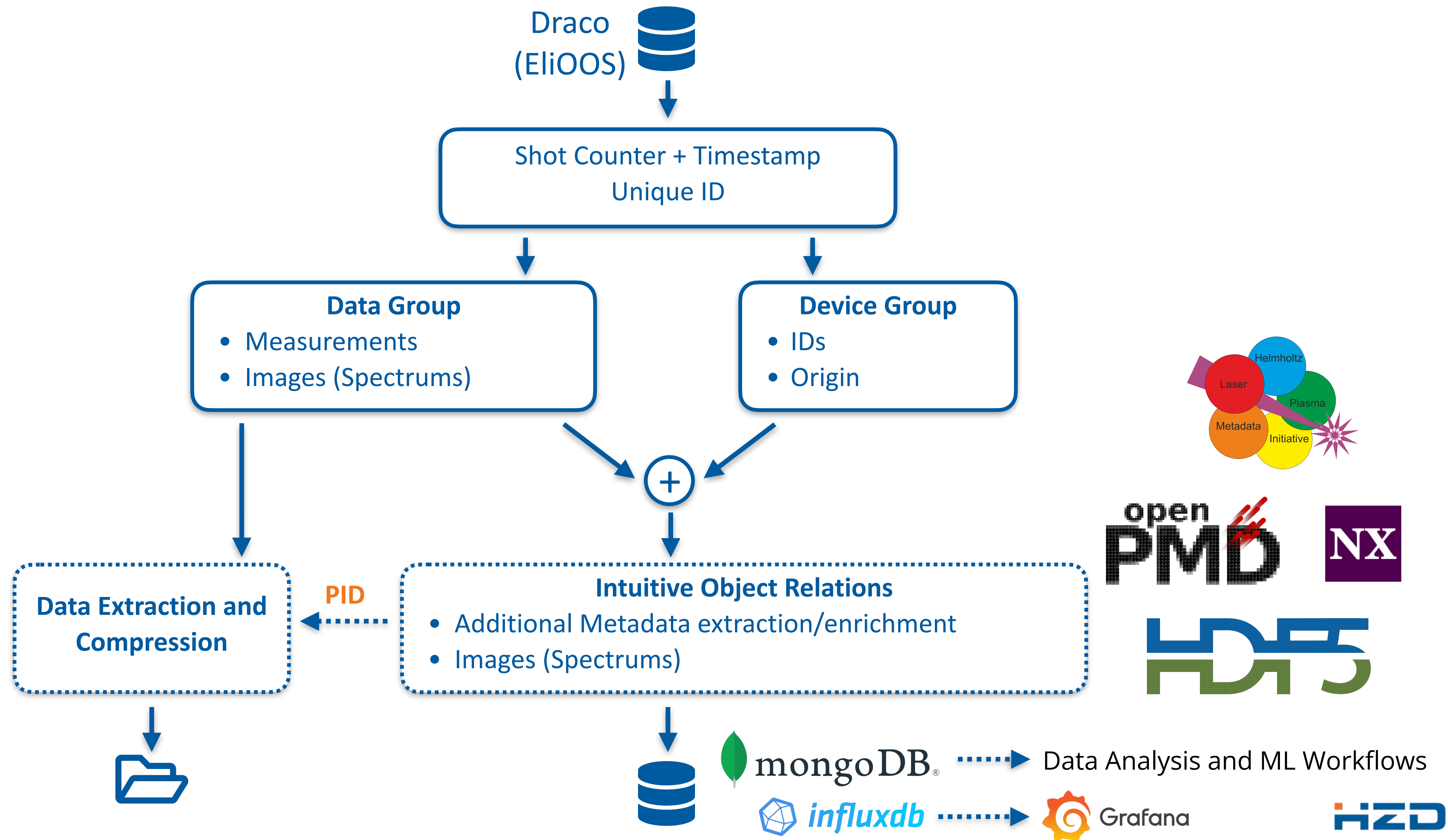
Draco Data Flow for Advanced Data Management

Draco Infrastructure

HZDR Infrastructure

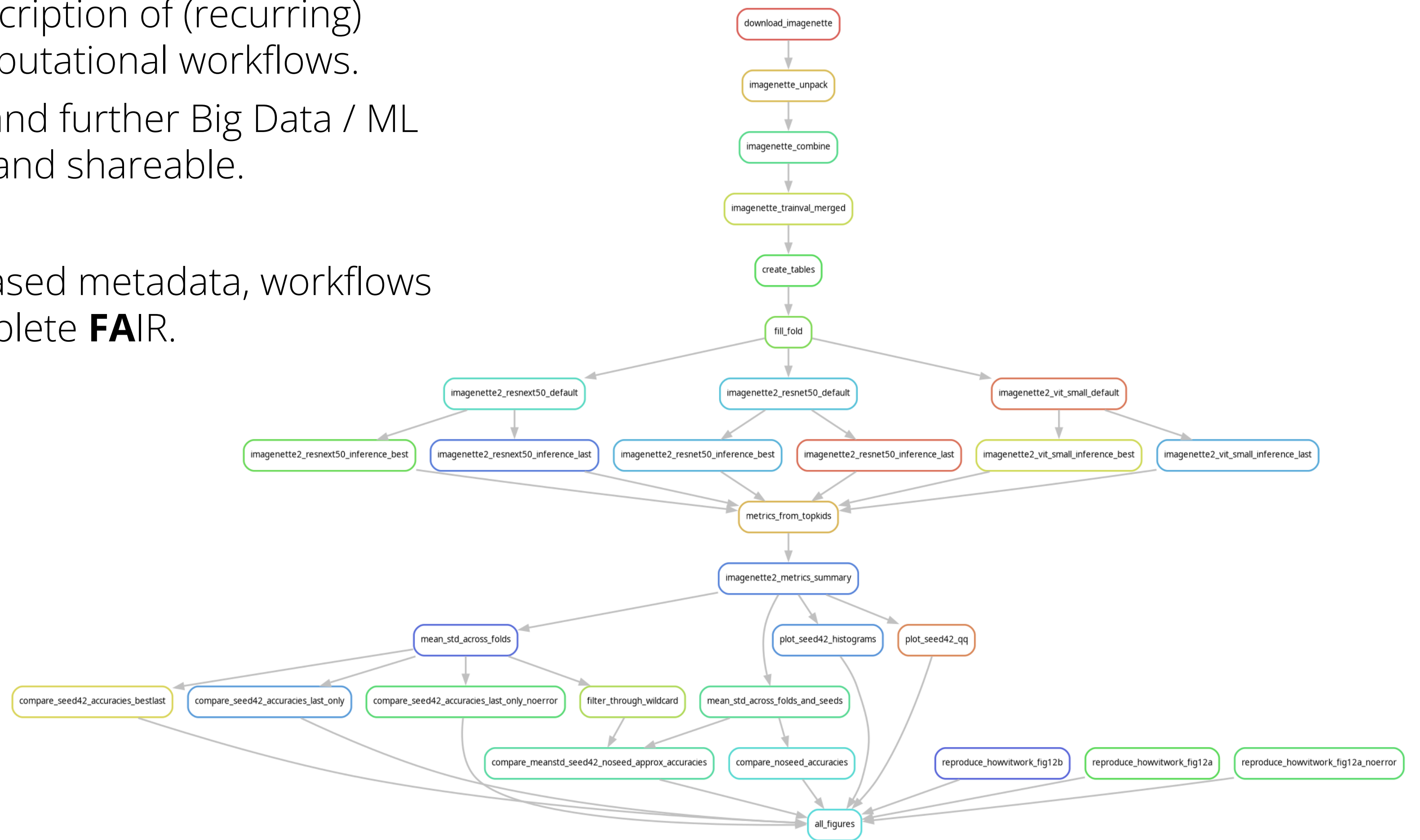


Extended Draco Data Pipeline (to fully take advantage of the HZDR infrastructure)



Computational Workflows (Processes) and Data Management (MetaData)

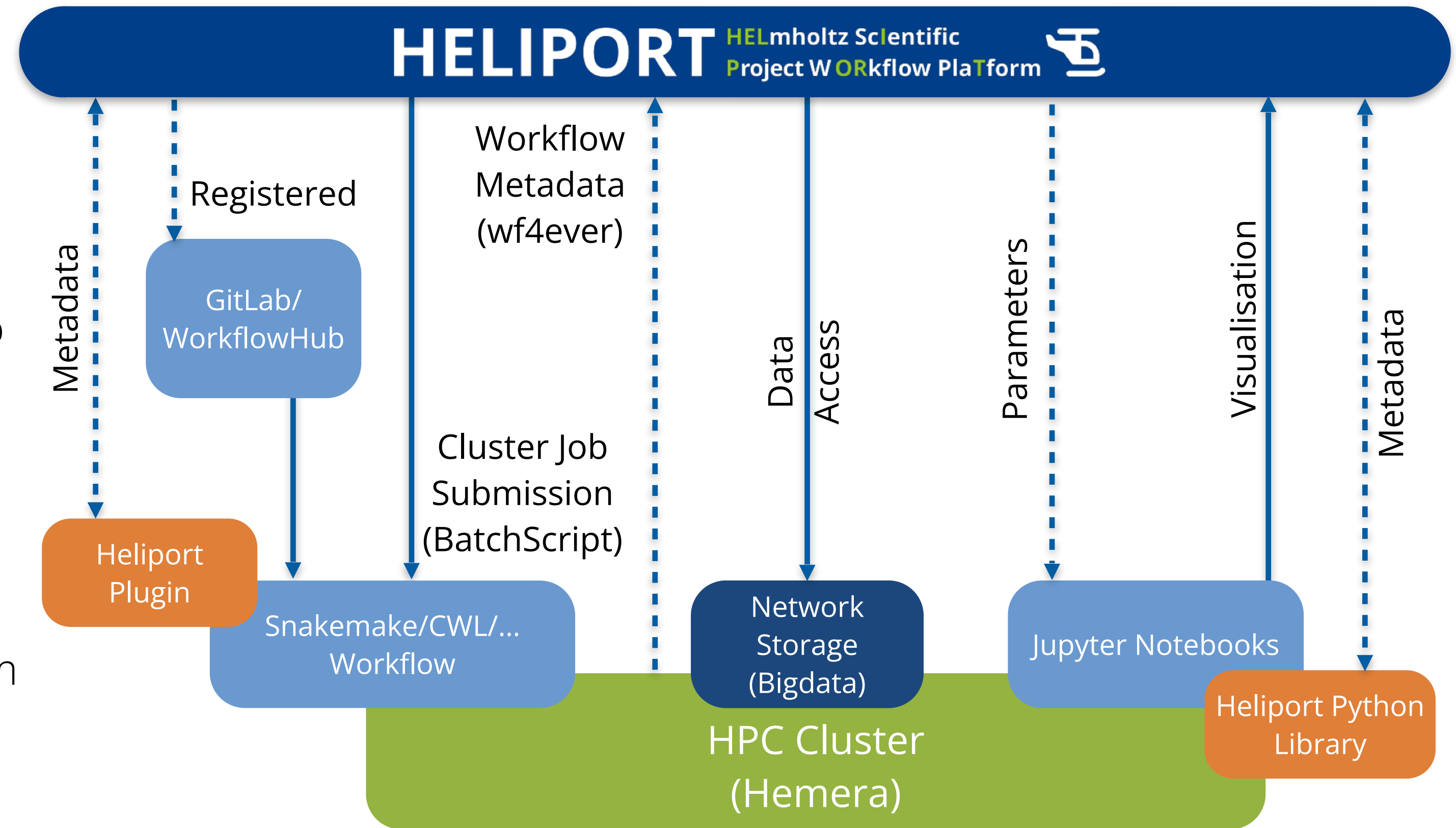
- In our HZDR infrastructure, the description of (recurring) work can be automatised with computational workflows.
- Workflows enable deeper insights and further Big Data / ML methods that are comprehensible and shareable.
- Workflows enable **FAIR**.
- With interchangeable, standards-based metadata, workflows can be used in different RIs to complete **FAIR**.



DAG of an ML Workflow in Snakemake based on "Machine Learning State-of-the-Art with Uncertainties"; DOI: 2204.05173

Workflow Architecture at HZDR (in development)

- HELIPORT offers an infrastructure which permits the integration of various workflow languages and access modes to HPC infrastructures.
- The infrastructure keeps track of and collects the metadata and enables access to all resources involved.
- Next steps:
 - Python library sending workflow information directly to HELIPORT,
 - Provision of provenance information from Jupyter notebooks,
 - Use case: **PIConGPU**



HELIPORT HELMholtz Scientific Project WOrkflow PlaTform



“ The HELIPORT project aims at developing a platform which accommodates the **complete life cycle** of a scientific project and links all corresponding programs, systems and workflows to create a more **FAIR** and comprehensible project description using **APIs**.

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ToDo: Metadata crosswalk to **schema.org** ResearchProject

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Metadata Catalogue SciCat and Data Repository RODARE (Draft)

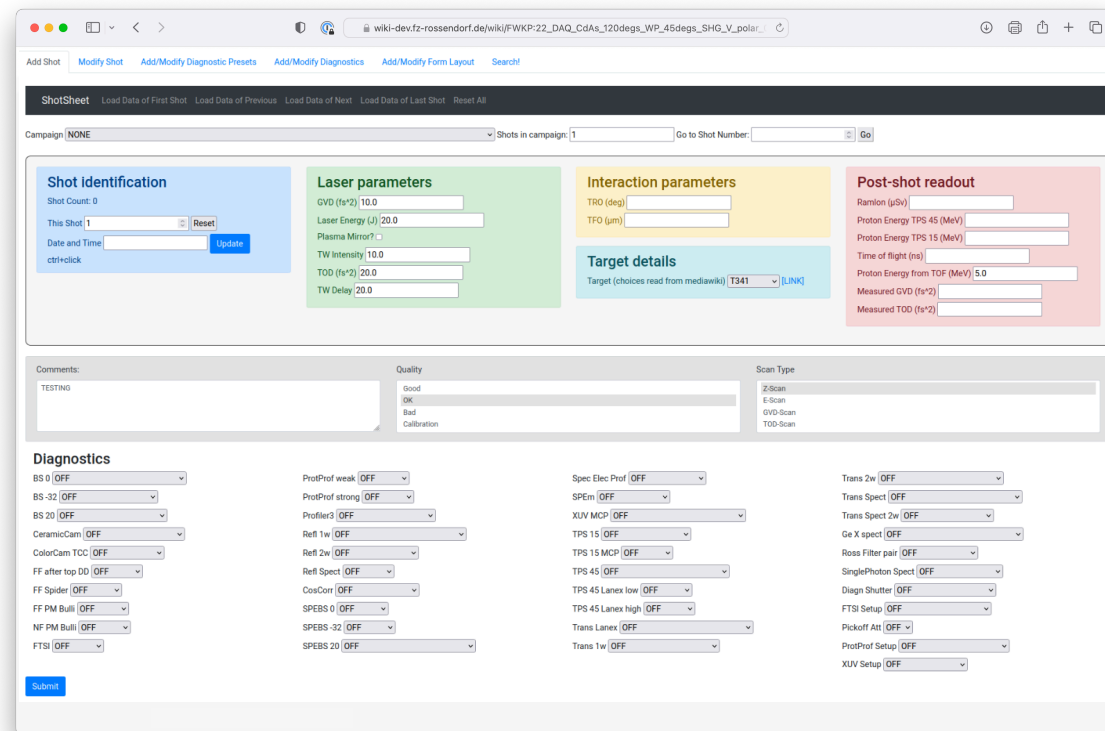
Curated Metadata Source

Public Metadata Catalogue

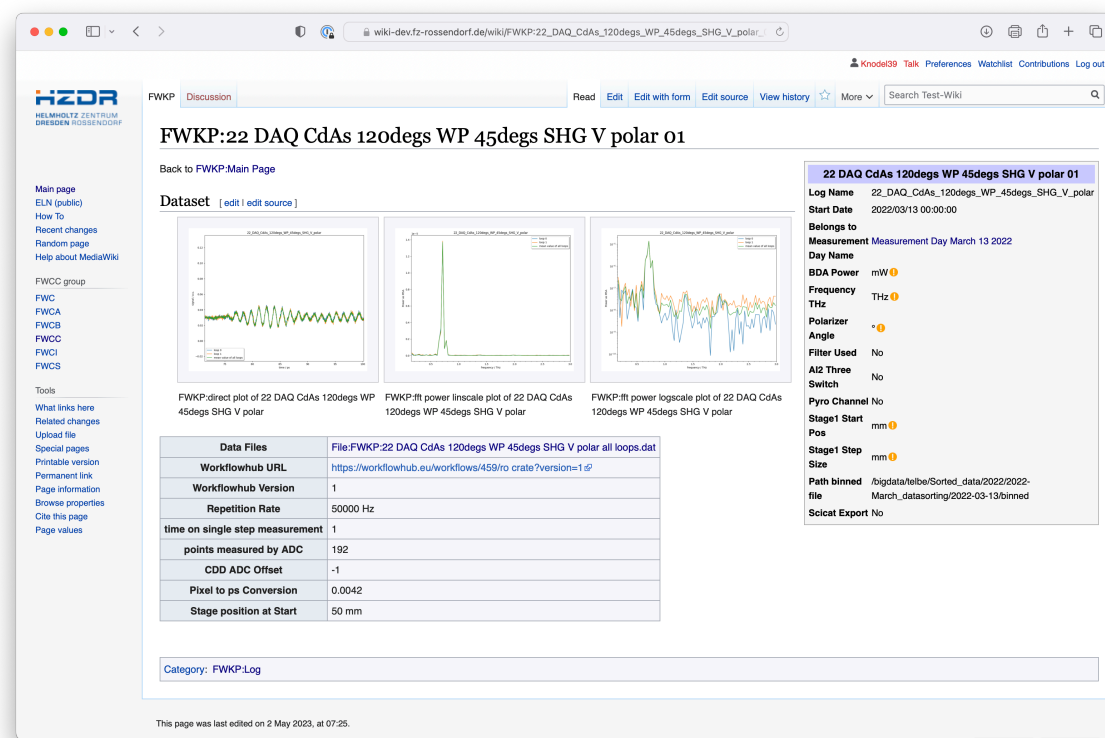
Subsequent Access to Data

Metadata from Experiment/Simulation

ExperimentLogging app (ExL)



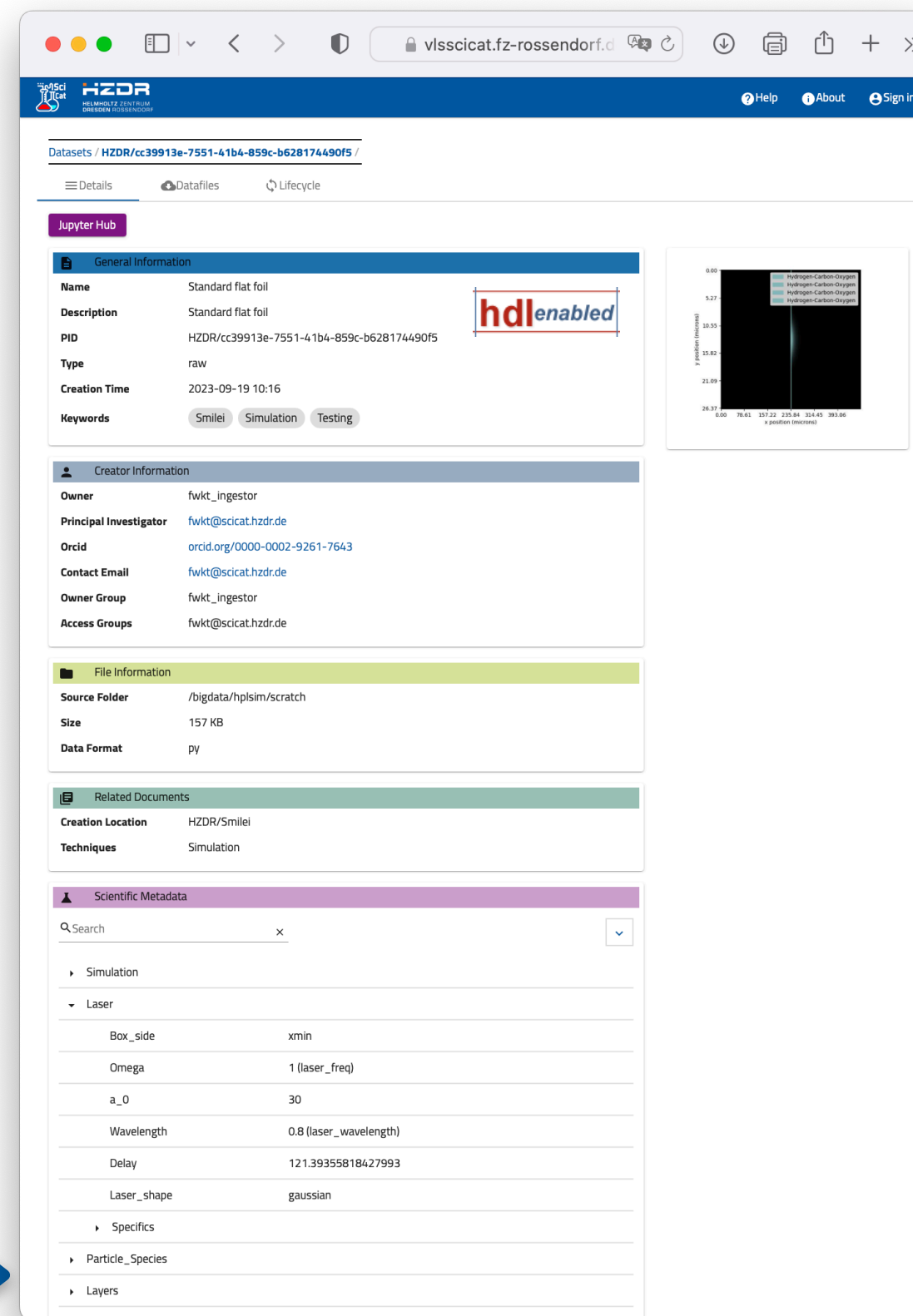
E-Logbook



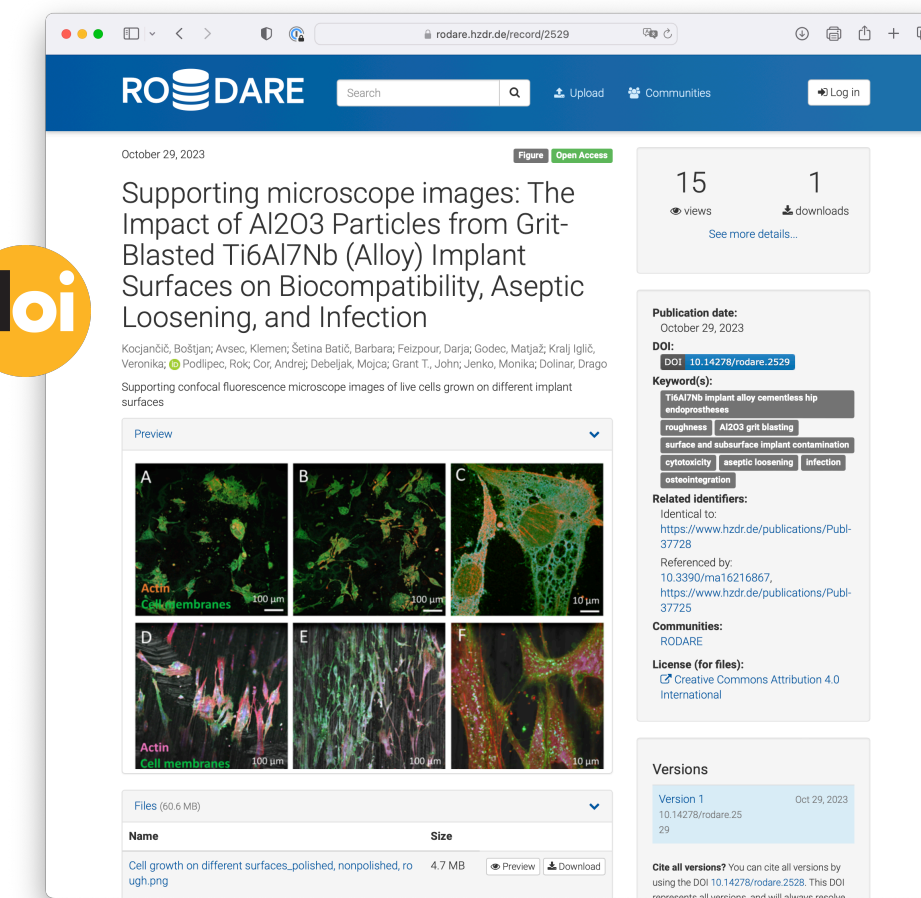
Fully Automated Process for DRACO



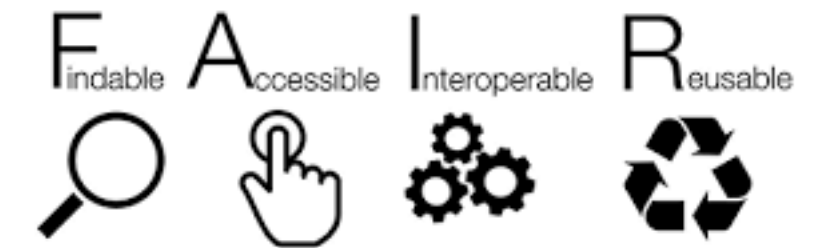
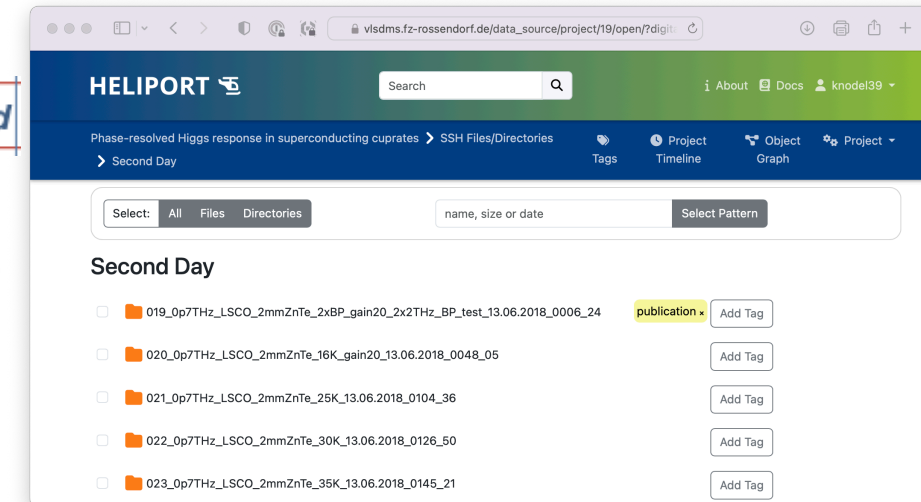
SciCat



RODARE



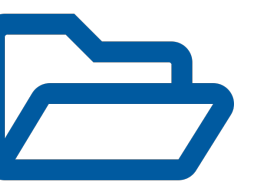
HELIPORT



Dataset



Filesystem



Tape Archive



Conclusions

- Access to data via metadata and PIDs is required to enable ML according to the FAIR criteria
- Connecting Systems, services and processes using APIs for Metadata exchange is essential.
- Metadata and data should follow data standards and schemas to allow exchange of research products and to provide **FAIR** and **comprehensible** research.
- The computational workflows are essential to automate recurring processes.

