

The Research Library at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL): an Overview

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Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)

- **Vision:** "We serve the nation by developing and applying the best science and technology to make the world a better and safer place."
- **Mission:**
 - Ensure the safety and reliability of the U.S. Nuclear deterrent.
 - Reduce the global threat of weapons of mass destruction.
 - Solve national problems in energy, environment, infrastructure and health security.

LANL Research Library - Overview

- The LANL Research Library provides science and technology research information to support LANL's mission: the reduction of the global nuclear danger.
- Hours
 - Open to the public between 0800 to 16:30 M-F
 - Open to LANL employees 24/7/365
- 54 library employees serve > 10,000 LANL employees (permanent, contract and student)

LANL Research Library - Purpose

- **Vision:** “We will enhance scientific collaboration through knowledge discovery, managing intellectual capital and facilitating scholarly communication.”
- **Mission:** “We enable innovation and increase the effectiveness of Laboratory staff by integrating scientific information and supporting collaboration.”

LANL Research Library - Teams

- **Business Support:** Supports RL stakeholders, products/services and the R&D process.
- **Customer Service:** Library service desk, internal/external photocopy service, Inter-Library Loan, circulation and question handling.
- **Library Integrated Products:** books and journals (purchasing, cataloging, shelving and maintenance); databases (purchasing, developing, maintaining/providing access, customer support, data analysis, and web pages).

LANL Research Library - Teams

- **Library without Walls:** R&D component of the RL
 - **Mission:** “The delivery of information to the researcher’s desktop wherever and whenever they need it from digital library resources.”
 - **Long-term goal:** The creation of a network of knowledge systems that facilitate collaboration among researchers.
- **Reports:** “The vault” houses 1.3M classified and unclassified technical reports; access to classified databases, full-text reports, bibliographic records for new reports, and scanning.

LANL Research Library - Customers

- **Internal LANL Customers:** LANL employees, particularly technical staff.
- **External Distributors of Electronic Products:** Other research libraries that purchase the RL's electronic products to distribute to their researchers, faculty, and students.
- **External Customers:** Individuals in the research community of the RL's external distributors and collaborators with the LANL scientific community.

Questions?

The RL web site: <http://lib-www.lanl.gov/>