

## **How To Contribute to IMPACT**

IMPACT relies on the contribution of imaging studies and context information, in order to provide its users with a valuable, searchable resource for large-scale and populational studies of mummies.

We also encourage any IMPACT users to contribute the results of their IMPACT studies, for inclusion in the context database. Pathology reports, metric and non-metric analyses, background articles, and many other pieces of information are very welcome and help future users to place the mummies in a broader and more detailed context.

Data may be submitted to the IMPACT database by:

- file hosting service (e.g., DropBox)
- physical media (CD, DVD, flash memory device)
- email to [IMPACTdatabase@gmail.com](mailto:IMPACTdatabase@gmail.com) (25MB max)

Data on physical media may be mailed to:

IMPACT Mummy Database,  
Attn: Andrew Nelson  
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University of Western Ontario,  
London, ON, N6A 5C2,  
CANADA

Please contact the IMPACT team to make arrangements for alternative forms of data transfer.

Imaging contributions may come in a variety of current and legacy data and storage formats. The obsolescence of legacy media (e.g., 9-track tapes, 5.25" floppy disks) and data (i.e., non-DICOM) is a serious issue for the mummy imaging and the IMPACT database. The digital study of mummification is several decades old and the media on which data are stored has progressed rapidly in that time. Rather than see early studies lost, IMPACT will endeavour to make arrangements for conversion to the radiological industry data standard (DICOM) and transfer to current storage media (e.g., DVD).