

PREMISE: Enabling seamless data exchange for future autonomous labs

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Abstract

The discovery of new materials is essential to addressing pressing societal challenges. To accelerate discovery, modern technologies, such as artificial intelligence, robotics, and supercomputing, can be integrated into autonomous research laboratories operating in closed-loop feedback involving experiment and simulation. However, a key challenge lies in the seamless exchange, tracking, and provenance of open research data (ORD) across experimental and simulation platforms, which often employ different formats, standards, and APIs. The PREMISE project¹ of the ETH Board's ORD program² is addressing these challenges primarily within the materials sciences by establishing best practices, standards, and protocols for ORD exchange adhering to FAIR principles. Though tested internally between the AiiDA³ workflow management system (WFMS) and the openBIS⁴ ELN/LIMS platform, the project aims more broadly to deploy platform-agnostic APIs leveraging semantic annotation via the RO-Crate⁵ and JSON-LD⁶ specifications. PREMISE also sponsors the MADICES⁷ workshop series bringing together ontology experts and RDM platform representatives to drive the adoption of standards and protocols. In this presentation, we will highlight recent developments towards enabling seamless integration of ORD from automated and/or simulation-assisted experiments.

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