

► Infrastructures of reparative description

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What I mean

Infrastructures

solid, shared, load-bearing agreements that facilitate connection and exchange

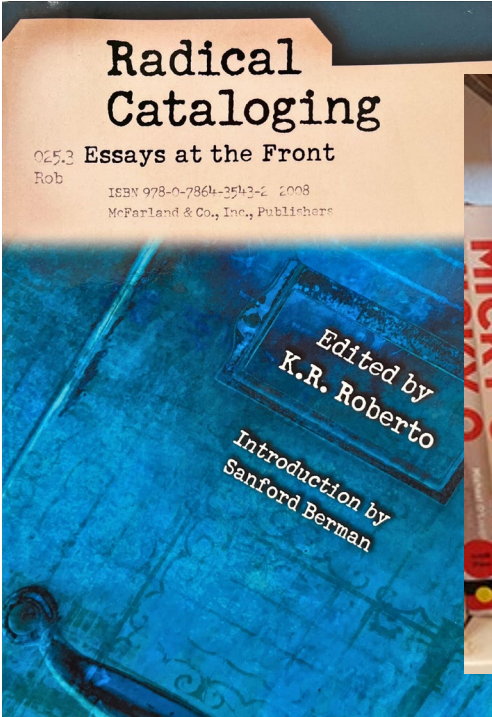
- systems and networks
- technology and buildings
- people and communities
- shared ways of thinking and relating
- lifeworlds

Reparative description

re-contextualising materials for our common era

- improving our understanding of how librarians and communities relate to collections
- reappraising how those relations are documented in catalogue records
- *see also* critical cataloguing, radical cataloguing, ethical metadata

Where we started



ATSILIRN protocols for libraries, archives and information services

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the first peoples of Australia and the traditional owners, and these Protocols reflect the issues important to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in regard to their materials held in collections. The Protocols are a guide to good practice for libraries, archives and information services.

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ALIA Sydney's
Saturday School
of Critical
Librarianship!



ACORD/HLA submission to NLM to update MeSH terms for First Nations Australians

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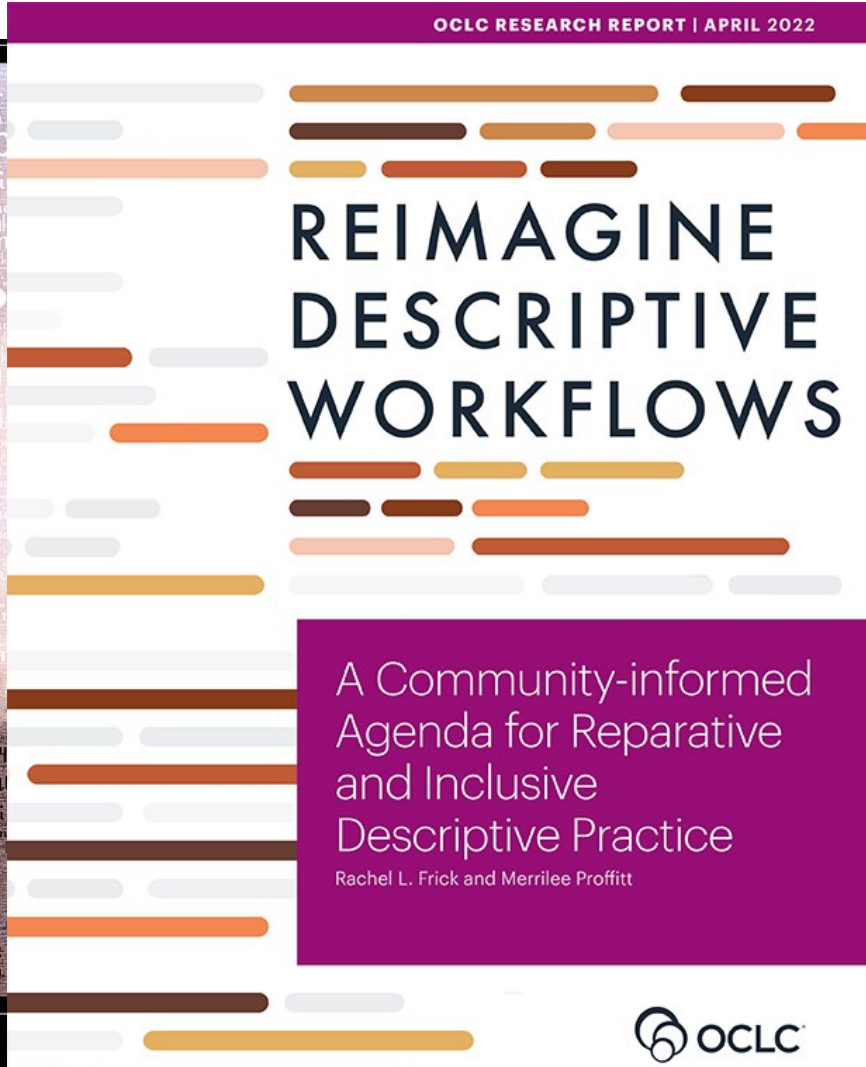
ACORD and ALIA Health Libraries Australia (HLA) recently made a submission to the US National Library of Medicine to update the Medical Subject Heading (MeSH) terms used to describe First Nations Australians



www.aiatsis.gov.au/atsilirn/protocols.ph



Guiding documents



Reparative Description Community of Practice (RDCoP)

- Forum for all interested practitioners
- Monthly meetings with speaker(s) and open discussion
- Teams site for further chat
- To join, email education@alia.org.au with 'RDCoP' in the subject line



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'Acknowledged tensions and contradictions'

- This work is urgent / This work takes time
- This work needs to be understood at a local community level / This work has broad and even global implications
- Change is best accomplished at the local level / Change is best accomplished through networks

(Reimagine Descriptive Workflows page 8)

Catalogue record flows between systems

