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OCLC Chooses nextScan to Speed Along Their Film Scanning Process

About OCLC

Founded in 1967, OCLC Online Computer Library Center is a nonprofit, membership, computer library service and research organization dedicated to the public purposes of furthering access to the world's information and reducing information costs. More than 45,000 libraries in 84 countries and territories around the world use OCLC services to locate, acquire, catalog, lend and preserve library materials. Researchers, students, faculty, scholars, professional librarians and other information seekers use OCLC services to obtain bibliographic, abstract and full-text information when and where they need it. OCLC and its member libraries cooperatively produce and maintain WorldCat—the OCLC Online Union Catalog.

About nextScan

Incorporated in 2002, nextScan is providing the next generation in film scanning technology. nextScan was established to give the microfilm conversion market an alternative to today's 5 to 8 year old rollfilm scanner designs, as well as provide the support they require for success. Designed with the latest in camera, lighting, chip and software technology, nextScan scanners far exceed the quality, speed and reliability of other products on the market, increasing production and lowering cost for customers scanning film in many different industries. nextScan is privately held and headquartered in Eagle, Idaho.

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nextScan's 300 page per minute Eclipse® Scanner is Enabling OCLC's Preservation Service Center to provide clients fast digitization of their microfilm.

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OCLC's Preservation Service Center based in Bethlehem, PA, offers OCLC clients microfilming, digitization and archival services that are designed to share and protect the client's collections. With clients such as the Library of Congress, Naval War College and Columbia University, OCLC knew that the digitization of microfilm for their customers was crucial and had a need for a rollfilm scanner that could provide them with speed and excellent image quality necessary for the most challenging conversion projects.

"Most of the film that we scan is 35 mm, but on occasion we have a need to scan 16 mm. We also have a real need for a scanner that can process grayscale and bitonal images at the same speed. The Eclipse was the right choice for these types of job. The older scanners that we were using for grayscale just could not get the job done in a timely fashion. To accommodate the slow speed of the old scanner, we used to have to carefully schedule a job to pinpoint a delivery time. With the Eclipse, we can take in large volumes of film and digitize quickly," said Louis Squillace, Digital Studio Manager for OCLC. "There are many features of the Eclipse that make our job easier – the user setup interface, the way the scanner handles rescans, the autofocus features - not to mention the speed and the excellent image quality that the scanner produces. All of these things in turn make the post-processing much more timely. Our scanning productivity has improved by about 50% overall."



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"OCLC needed a product that would help us deliver critical jobs quickly to our clients. We required a smooth transition from our old scanners without a lot of downtime. With the Fusion™ software that accompanies the scanner and its easy, four tab user setup interface, we were literally using the scanner in a matter of minutes after installation. These were a few of the reasons that we decided the Eclipse was the right product for our Preservation Service Center. We are currently scanning a lot of newspapers and the Eclipse is perfect for the job. Knowing that the scanner has the flexibility to scan many types of images makes us know that we are able to process a wide variety of material with the Eclipse. We were also quite pleased to discover that the sales and support mirrors the excellent quality and innovation of the scanner technology itself. OCLC looks forward to a long relationship with nextScan," said Louis.

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