MUMMY LABEL DATABASE (MLD)¹
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The highlight of the 2019–20 academic year was the commemoration of the Oriental Institute centennial. The celebration of this major milestone consisted of a formal gala, a series of various events and lectures, the publication of a companion book entitled Discovering New Past: The OI at 100, and an exhibition introducing some of the various OI archaeological and philological projects.

On that occasion, the team of the Mummy Label Database not only had the pleasure to contribute an article,² available online in Adobe Portable Document Format (www.academia.edu/40513993/The_Mummy_Label_Database_MLD_in_Discovering_New_Pasts_The_OI_at_100_edited_by_Theo_van_den_Hout_pp._213-19_Chicago_The_Oriental_Institute_2019), but was also honored to have its project selected for the exhibition as a representative example of the many OI language projects. Since the MLD deals, among other things, with texts composed in Demotic, it was presented together with the Chicago Demotic Dictionary (see fig. 1).

A selection of three labels from the OI Museum collection (see fig. 2) illustrating some of the shapes (stela shape, rectangular, tabula ansata), materials (wood, stone), and languages (Demotic, Greek) that can be used for mummy labels accompanied the explanatory text (see fig. 3).

From December 10 to 13, 2019, our team member Alba de Frutos García (Universidad Complutense, Madrid) attended the VIII Congreso Nacional del Centro de Estudios

Figure 1. Display of the Chicago Demotic Dictionary and the Mummy Label Database (third column from the left) in the OI centennial exhibition.
The following articles have been submitted or are in preparation:


**Endnotes**

1 For further information on the MLD and Death on the Nile, joint projects of the Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona), the Universidad Complutense (Madrid), and the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, readers can consult previous annual reports, available online in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF): oi.uchicago.edu/research/projects/mummy-label-database-mld.