

## THE DIGITIZATION OF THE EARLY HEBREW PRESS

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**DESCRIPTION** : The early Hebrew press (19th and early 20th centuries) is an important resource for all levels of historical research and study - from high schools to academia. The originals of these newspapers are on brittle, crumbling paper and microfilm copies are not widely available or accessible. The Jewish National and University Library has undertaken a project to digitize these newspapers, thereby making them widely available. Digitizing of six large format newspapers has been completed (some 200,000 pages). The presentation will discuss not only the technical aspects of the project but also the creation and maintenance of navigation and retrieval tools.