



Data Transfer with Globus

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- Website: www.rc.colorado.edu
- Documentation: <https://curc.readthedocs.io>
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- Slides: https://github.com/ResearchComputing/data_transfer_with_globus_quick_byte
- Survey: <http://tinyurl.com/curc-survey18>

Outline

- Ways to access your data
- Filesystem structure of CURC resources
- Data transfer using Globus
 - Web-based interface
 - Local Globus endpoint
 - Connecting local and CURC endpoints

Accessing Data on CURC Resources

- When you use CURC resources the data is not on your local machine
- Ways to access the data from your local machine
 - Command line (a variety of tools)
 - Open OnDemand (straightforward GUI interface)
 - **Globus (GUI interface with some set up required)**

General Filesystem Structure

/home (2GB)

- Small important data
- Backed up frequently
- Not for sharing files or job output

/projects (250GB)

- Medium sized important data
- Software
- Can be shared with others
- Backed up, but less frequently
- Not for job output

/scratch/alpine (10TB)

- Large data
- Can be shared with others
- Fast Data transfer to compute nodes
- Not backed up!
- Purged after 90 days!

Filesystem documentation: <https://curc.readthedocs.io/en/latest/compute/filesystems.html>

GUI option - Globus

Globus is a service that allows for users to reliably move, share, and discover data

- Command line version is also available
- Our recommended way to transfer data
 - Stable and fast data transfers
 - Transfers continue if a user disconnects
 - Web GUI or Globus Connect Personal GUI
- Supported on all major operating systems
 - Works well with cloud storage providers



Globus Demo

- Logging into the web-based interface for Globus
 - Provides a nice GUI for managing files on CURC resources
- Installing a Globus Endpoint on your local machine
 - Allows you to interact with files on your local machine via Globus

Globus Web-based interface

Globus login is simple and quick

1. Navigate to <https://app.globus.org>
 - CU Boulder users
 - Select “University of Colorado at Boulder” in the dropdown menu
 - CSU users
 - Select “Colorado State University”
 - AMC and RMACC users
 - Select “ACCESS CI (formerly XSEDE)”
2. Login with your credentials
3. Continue with onscreen prompts until you are brought to the Globus Web GUI

Globus Web GUI

Let's take a look!

Local Globus Endpoint

- Required if you want to transfer data between your machine and CURC resources
- Navigate to <https://www.globus.org/globus-connect-personal>

Install Globus Connect Personal

Create a Globus collection on your laptop. Globus Connect Personal is available for all major operating systems.



Globus Connect Personal for Mac

Mac OS X 10.9 or higher

INSTALL NOW >



Globus Connect Personal for Windows

currently supported Windows versions

INSTALL NOW >



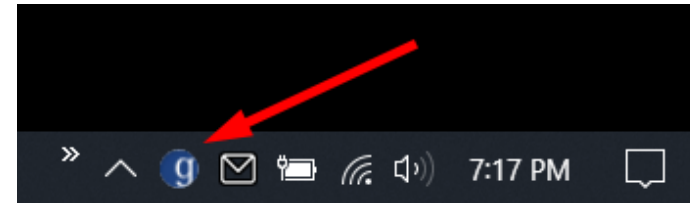
Globus Connect Personal for Linux

for common x86 distributions

INSTALL NOW >

Local Globus Endpoint-Installed

- For “Collection Name” you can use anything name you would like
 - You will use this as a reference name later, so please remember it!
- For Mac and Windows, it is easy to see that Globus has been installed:

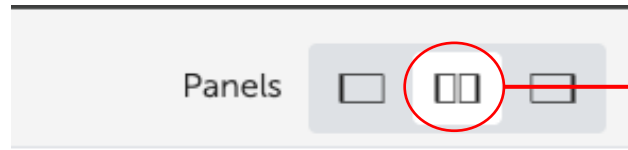


- For Linux, at the end of the installation, the setup will exit with a message stating it was successfully set up and the main Globus Connect Personal application will launch

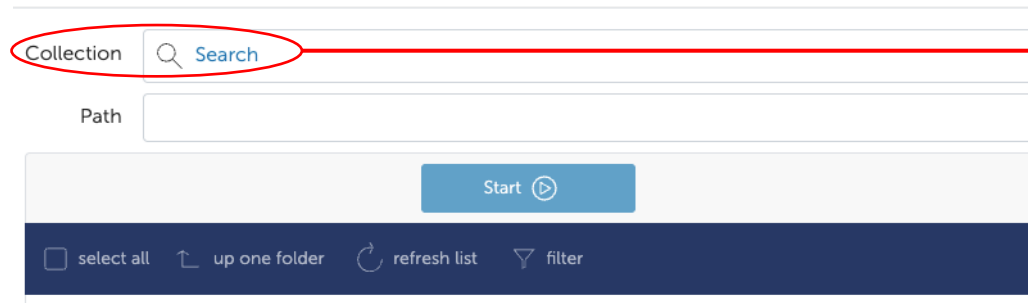
Local Globus Endpoint-Configure

- Once the Globus endpoint has been installed on your computer, you then need to configure it.
- On Mac and Windows follow the “Configuration” section
- On Linux follow the “Running” section
- During Configuration you will need to let Globus know what directories or files it can have access to

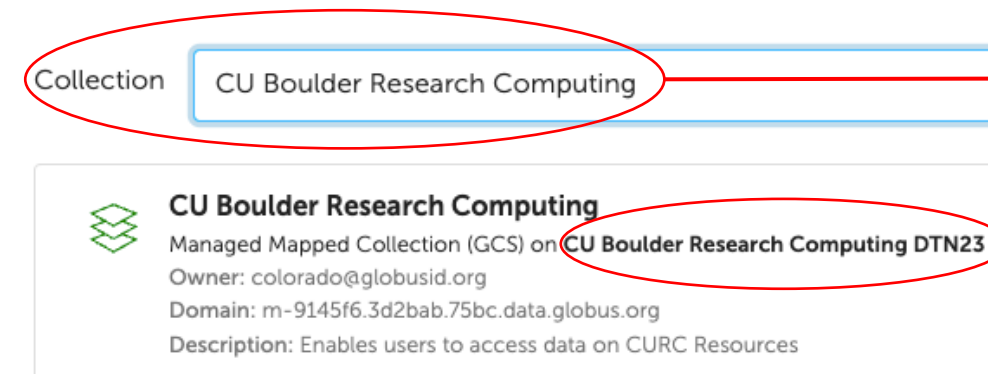
Connecting local endpoint to CURC resources



Step 1: Select “set two pane”
in the upper right corner

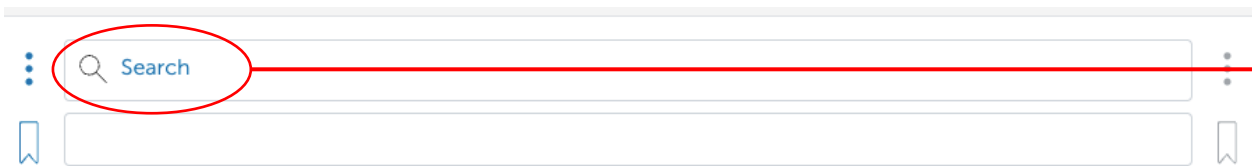


Step 2: In the left pane
click the search bar



Step 3: Search “CU Boulder
Research Computing”

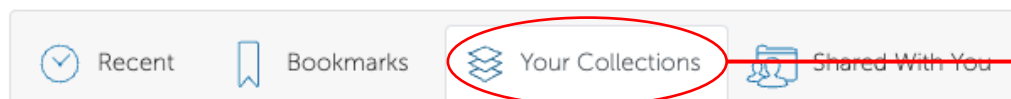
Make sure you are
using DTN23!



Step 4: In the right pane, click on “Search”

Collection

Start typing the name of a data collection or select one below



Step 5: Select the “Your Collections” tab



Step 6: Click the collection name that **you** chose when you created your local Globus endpoint

Let's check it out!

Globus Shared Endpoints

- Globus offers ‘shared endpoints’ which don’t require a user to have an account with RC.
- RC provides this capability for easy access of Data.
 - PetaLibrary exclusive!
- Generates a shared collection that can be accessed with a link.
 - See <https://scholar.colorado.edu/concern/datasets/9593tw13k>
 - Can assign various permissions to specific users or all users withing Globus
 - More information on here: <https://docs.globus.org/how-to/share-files/>

Thank you!!

For more help contact rc-help@colorado.edu

Additional documentation: <https://curc.readthedocs.io/en/latest/compute/data-transfer.html>

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