



Data Management Planning & Research Data Management




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Program (University of Galway)

13:00 – 15:00	DMP & RDM workshop – Part I
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 – 17:00	DMP & RDM workshop – Part II



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Overview

This workshop covers the following topics:

- The value of scientific data
- Loss of scientific data
- Open scientific data
- The FAIR data principles
- Data management planning (DMP)
- Research data management (RDM)



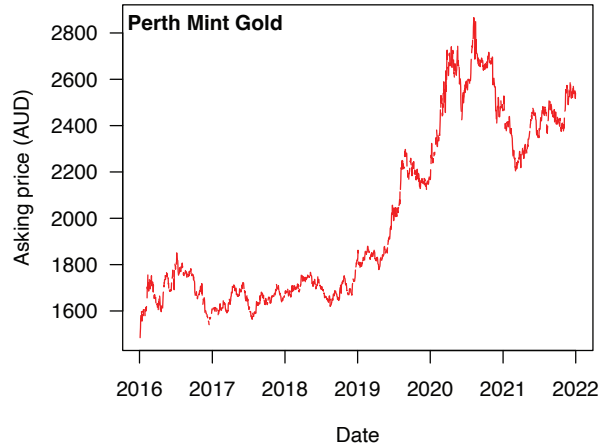
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The value of scientific data



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Gold



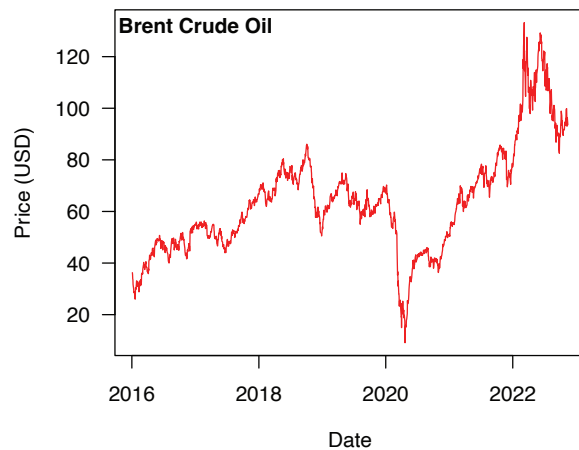
Note The price of gold fluctuates, partly in response to supply and demand

Source: Perth Mint (<https://www.perthmint.com>)



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Crude oil



Note The price of Brent crude oil fluctuates, partly in response to supply and demand

Source: British Petrol (https://www.bp.com/en_nz/new-zealand/home/products-and-services/bp-fuels/technical-information.html)



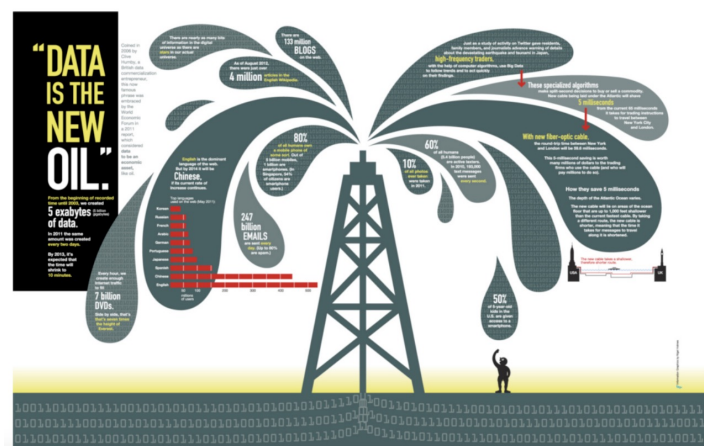
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Question What is the value of scientific data?



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Data is the new oil ...



Note New businesses and professions have arisen aimed at mining data (e.g., Google, Facebook, etc)



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Factors influencing the value of scientific data

- The cost of generating the data
- The provenance, nature, composition, and volume of the data
- The accuracy of the data
- The usefulness of the data (from the scientific and socio-economic perspectives)
- Supply and demand

Take-home message

Compared to gold and oil, it is much harder to determine **the value of scientific data** but, most sensibly, it **is set at the cost of replacing the original set of data**



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The loss of scientific data



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Loss of scientific data

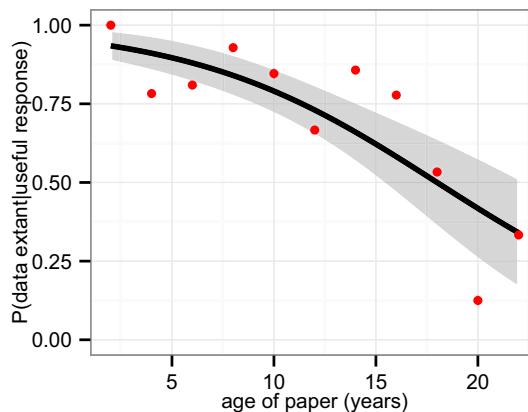
Question How fast does scientific data go missing?

Experiment Measure the availability of 2- to 22-year-old data from 516 studies of ecology

Result Availability of data is strongly affected by article age

Rate of loss 17%

Reason Obsolete e-mails and storage devices



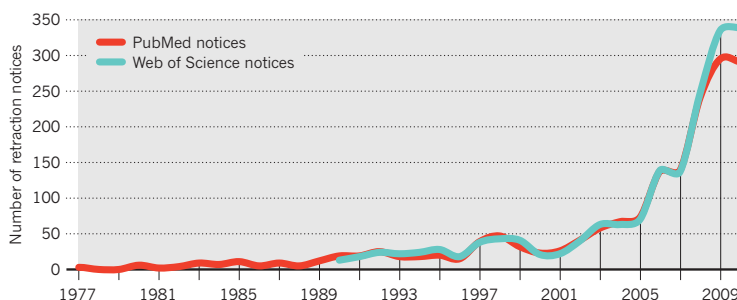
Note Policies mandating data archiving at publication are clearly needed

Source: Vines TH et al. (2014) *Current Biology* 24, 94-97

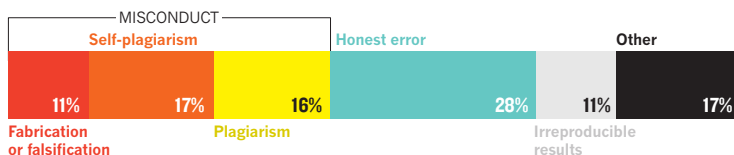


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Other reasons for loss of data — retraction • 1



Statistics (period)
 Rise in retractions 10-fold
 Rise in publications 44%



Source: Van Noorden R (2011) *Nature* 478, 26-28



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Other reasons for loss of data — retraction • 2

Misconduct accounts for the majority of retracted scientific publications

Ferric C. Fang^{a,b,1}, R. Grant Steen^{c,1}, and Arturo Casadevall^{d,1,2}

“A detailed review of all **2,047 biomedical and life-science research articles indexed by PubMed as retracted** on May 3, 2012 revealed that

- 21.3% of retractions were **attributable to error**
- 67.4% of retractions were **attributable to misconduct**, including fraud or suspected fraud (43.4%), duplicate publication (14.2%), and plagiarism (9.8%)
- Incomplete, uninformative or misleading retraction announcements have led to a previous **underestimation of the role of fraud** in the ongoing retraction epidemic.”

Source: Fang FC et al. (2012) *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science of the USA* 109, 17028-17033



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Other reasons for loss of data — irreproducibility • 1

The Economics of Reproducibility in Preclinical Research

Leonard P. Freedman^{1*}, Iain M. Cockburn², Timothy S. Simcoe^{2,3}

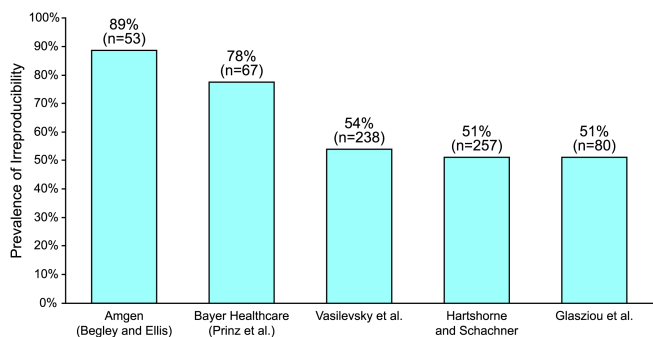


Fig 1. Studies reporting the prevalence of irreproducibility. Source: Begley and Ellis [5], Prinz et al. [7], Vasilevsky [8], Hartshorne and Schachner [5], and Glasziou et al. [6].

Source: Freedman LP et al. (2015) *PLoS Biology* 13, e1002165

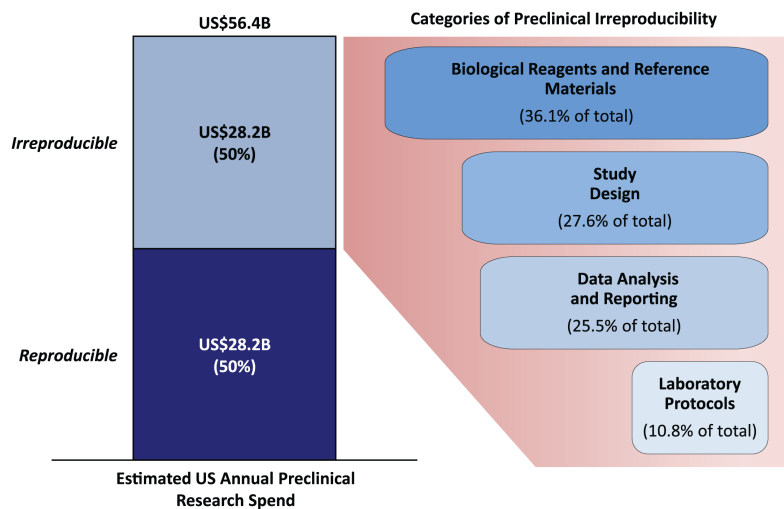
Primary courses of irreproducibility

1. Study design
2. Biological reagents and reference materials
3. Laboratory protocols
4. Data analysis and reporting



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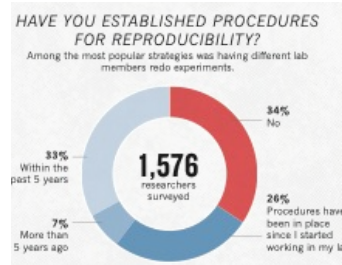
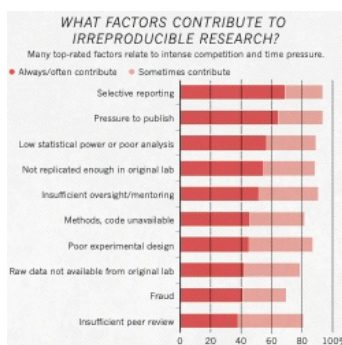
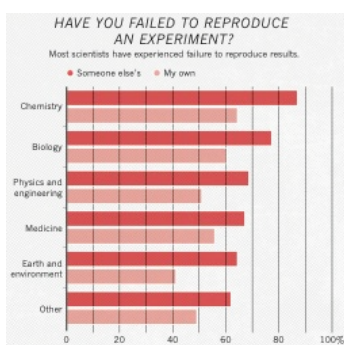


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Survey — is there a reproducibility crisis?

Answers (1,576 respondents)

Don't know	7%
No	3%
Yes, a slight crisis	38%
Yes, a significant crisis	52%

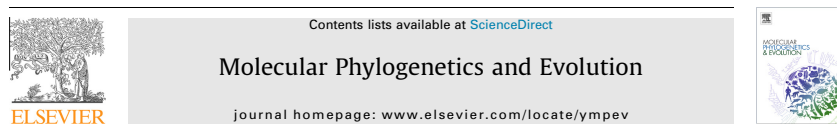


Source: Baker M (2016) Nature 533, 452-454



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Example 1 — possible scientific misconduct



Letter to the Editor

Problems with data quality in the reconstruction of evolutionary relationships in the *Drosophila melanogaster* species group: Comments on Yang et al. (2012)



it is unclear how gaps were removed in the CDC6 gene. Moreover, we discovered additional problems when we analysed the verifiable data following the Yang et al. methodology. We recreated the Yang et al. study, using our best alignments, for all genes excepting ITS and H2S, using RaxML v1.3 (Stamatakis, 2006) and

Problems reported

1. "23 Genbank accession numbers presented in Table A1 of Yang et al. **are not for *Drosophila* ...**"
2. "16 other Genbank accession numbers **are either listed twice within the above-mentioned table, or assigned to a different *Drosophila* species** in Genbank (searched 23 October 2013)."
3. "A further 21 sequences [cannot be aligned], **appearing to be either different genes or contamination.**"

Note Yang et al. (2012) is still cited frequently, despite the problem reported in 2014



Source: Catullo RA & Oakeshott JG (2014) *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution* 78, 275-276

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Example 2 — honest error announced in an Erratum

A Protein Domain-Based Interactome Network for *C. elegans* Early Embryogenesis

Mike Boxem,* Zoltan Maliga, Niels Klitgord, Na Li, Irma Lemmens, Miyeko Mana, Lorenzo de Lichtervelde, Joram D. Mul, Diederik van de Peut, Maxime Devos, Nicolas Simonis, Muhammed A. Yildirim, Murat Cokol, Huey-Ling Kao, Anne-Sophie de Smet, Haidong Wang, Anne-Lore Schlaitz, Tong Hao, Stuart Milstein, Changyu Fan, Mike Tipword, Kevin Drew, Matilde Galli, Kahn Rhrissorakrai, David Drechsel, Daphne Koller, Frederick P. Roth, Lilia M. Iakoucheva, A. Keith Dunker, Richard Bonneau, Kristin C. Gunsalus, David E. Hill, Fabio Piano, Jan Tavernier, Sander van den Heuvel, Anthony A. Hyman,* and Marc Vidal*

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<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2012.11.042>

Problem reported

"Since publication of [Cell 134, 534-545; 2008], it has come to our attention that an error occurred in creating the initial data file cataloging the names and storage positions of the bait proteins tested in the yeast two-hybrid system. **The register for the bait names was shifted in an Excel file**, resulting in the assignment of an incorrect bait name to 37% of the published partners. ..."



Source: Boxem M et al. (2012) *Cell* 151, 1633

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Questions How many of you have asked for and obtained/downloaded scientific data?
How many of you have been able to analysed it?
How many of you failed to do so?
What were the reasons for this failure?
How many of you anticipate you will do so in the future?



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Open scientific data



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What is open data?

“Open Data (OD) is **an emerging term** in the process of **defining how scientific data may be published and re-used without price or permission barriers.**”

Problem

“Scientists generally see published data as belonging to the scientific community, but many publishers claim copyright over data and will not allow its re-use without [prior] permission.”

Implication “[A] major impediment to the progress of scholarship in the digital age.”

Source: Murray-Rust P (2008) *Serials Review* 34, 52-64



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OD — challenges & opportunities • 1

Challenges and Opportunities of Open Data in Ecology

O. J. Reichman,* Matthew B. Jones, Mark P. Schildhauer

“Ecology is a synthetic discipline benefiting from open access to data **Technological challenges exist**, however, due to the dispersed and heterogeneous nature of these data.”

“**Standardization of methods** and **development of robust metadata** can increase data access but are not sufficient.”

“**Reproducibility of analyses is also important**, and **executable workflows are addressing this issue by capturing data provenance.**”

“**Sociological challenges, including inadequate rewards for sharing data, must also be resolved.**”

“**The establishment of well-curated, federated data repositories will provide a means to preserve data while promoting attribution and acknowledgement of its use.**”

Source: Reichmann OJ et al. (2011) *Science* 331, 703-705



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OD — challenges & opportunities • 2

- In June 2014, the **Nat. Inst. Health (US), Science, and Nature convened a meeting** of editors of +30 major journals, representatives from major funding agencies, and scientific leaders **to discuss principles and guidelines for preclinical biomedical research**
- The delegates **agreed on a common set of principles and guidelines in reporting preclinical research** that list **journal policies** and **author reporting requirements** to promote transparency and reproducibility (see URL)

EDITORIAL

Journals unite for reproducibility

Reproducibility, rigor, transparency, and independent verification are cornerstones of the scientific method. Of course, just because a result is reproducible does not necessarily make it right, and just because it is not reproducible does not necessarily make it wrong. A transparent and rigorous approach, however, can almost always shine a light on issues of reproducibility. This light ensures that science moves forward, through independent verifications as well as the course corrections that come from retractions and the objective examination of the

menters were blind to the conduct of the experiment, how the sample size was determined, and what criteria were used to include or exclude any data. Journals should recommend the deposition of data in public repositories where available and link data bidirectionally to the published paper. Journals should strongly encourage, as appropriate, that all materials used in the experiment be shared with those who wish to replicate the experiment. Once a journal publishes a paper, it assumes the obligation to consider publication of a retraction of that paper, subject to its usual standards of quality.



Marvita McNutt
Editor-in-Chief
Science Journals

Science 346, 679 [2014]

Source: <https://www.nih.gov/research-training/rigor-reproducibility/principles-guidelines-reporting-preclinical-research>

THIS WEEK

EDITORIALS

CONSERVATION Saving species is far from a walk in the park

WORLD VIEW Psychology gears up to check its workings



BREAKFAST Chimpanzees plan days to ensure they nab tastiest figs

Journals unite for reproducibility

Consensus on reporting principles aims to improve quality control in biomedical research and encourage public trust in science.

Nature 515, 7 [2014]



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Center for Open Science (COS) — standards & guidelines

Standards	Not implemented	Level I	Level II	Level III
Data citation	No mention of data citation	Journal describes citation of data in guidelines to authors with clear rules and examples	...	...
Data transparency	Journal encourages data sharing, or says nothing	Article states whether data are available, and, if so, where to access them	...	...
Analysis code transparency	Journal encourages code sharing, or says nothing	Article states whether code is available, and, if so, where to access it	...	...
Materials transparency	Journal encourages materials sharing, or says nothing	Article states whether materials are available, and, if so, where to access them	...	...
Design & analysis reporting guidelines	Journal encourages design and analysis transparency, or says nothing	Journal articulates design transparency standards	...	...
Study preregistration	Journal says nothing	Article states whether preregistration of study exists, and, if so, where to access it	...	...
Preregistration of analysis plans	Journal says nothing	Article states whether preregistration of study exists, and, if so, where to access it	...	...
Replication	Journal discourages submission of replication studies, or says nothing	Journal encourages submission of replication studies	...	...

Note 2,007 journals, 25 publishers, and 92 societies have signed up to the Transparency and Openness Promotion (TOP) Guidelines at COS (<http://cos.io/top>)

Sources: <https://topfactor.org/summary>; Nosek BA et al. (2015) *Science* 348, 1422-1425



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Example 3 — Public Library of Science (PLOS) and TOP • 1

- **PLOS has signed up to the TOP guidelines** (URL)
- PLOS journals require authors to **make all data necessary to replicate their study's findings publicly available** without restriction at the time of publication
- When specific legal or ethical restrictions prohibit public sharing of a data set, **authors must indicate how others may obtain access to the data**
- When submitting a manuscript, authors must include **a Data Availability Statement describing compliance with PLOS' data policy**
- If a manuscript is accepted for publication, **the Data Availability Statement will be published as part of the article**

Source: <https://plos.org/open-science/open-data/>



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Example 3 — Public Library of Science (PLOS) and TOP • 2

- **Authors must share the “minimal data set” for their submission.** PLOS defines the minimal data set as the data required to replicate all findings reported in the article, as well as related metadata and methods
- PLOS also **requires authors to comply with field-specific standards for preparation, recording, and deposition of data**, when applicable
- For example, authors should submit the following data:
 - The **values behind the means, standard deviations and other measures reported**
 - The **values used to build graphs**
 - The **points extracted from images for analysis**
- PLOS **does not permit references to “data not shown”**



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Example 3 — Public Library of Science (PLOS) and TOP • 3

- For studies involving human research participant data or other sensitive data, **PLOS encourages authors to share de-identified or anonymized data**
- When data cannot be publicly shared, **PLOS allows authors to make their data sets available upon request**
- PLOS will not consider manuscripts for which the following factors influence authors' ability to share data:
 - **Authors will not share data because of personal interests**, such as patents or potential future publications
 - **The conclusions depend solely on the analysis of proprietary data.** PLOS considers proprietary data to be data owned by individuals, organizations, funders, institutions, commercial interests, or other parties that the data owners will not share



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EU announces that all scientific papers should be free by 2020

TECH 30 May 2016 By JOLENE CREIGHTON, FUTURISM



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“This week was a revolutionary week in the sciences ... because some of the most prominent world leaders announced an initiative which asserts that **European scientific papers should be made freely available to all by 2020.**”

Source: <https://www.sciencealert.com/europe-announces-that-all-scientific-articles-should-be-freely-accessible-by-2020>



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Summary of the benefits of OD

Direct

- Preserve access to data
- Discover data
- Allow reuse or repurpose data
- Verify published research

Short-term

- Availability for review
- Availability for validation

To the author

- Protection against data entropy
- Improved methodologies
- Higher diffusion and visibility
- Higher citation rate of their publications
- Fulfillment of funding mandate

Indirect

- Redundant data collection
- Inefficient legacy data curation
- Burden of sharing-upon-request
- Studies cannot be completed

Long-term

- Persistent link with article data
- Increased impact per publication

To the scientific community and public

- More efficient use of research fundings
- Foster collaboration
- Accelerate innovation
- Educational opportunities
- Public trust in science



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Questions How many of you have reviewed a manuscript submitted for publication?

Did you examine the associated data?

If you did not do so, then why not?

Did you survey the associated codes?

If you did not do so, then why not?



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FAIR data principle



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FAIR data principles • 1

- Designed by stakeholders from **academia, industry, funding agencies**, and **scholarly publishers**
- Put emphasis on enhancing **the ability of computational agents to automatically find and use** (digitalised) **data** and to **support its reuse** by individuals
- Rest on four foundational principles:
 - Findability
 - Accessibility
 - Interoperability
 - Reusability
- **Apply to digitalised research data objects** (e.g., data, codes, protocols, workflows) needed to ensure **transparency, reproducibility, and reusability** in research

Source: Wilkinson MD et al. (2016) *Scientific Data* 3, 160016



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FAIR data principles • 2

- The main **barrier to expedient discovery and reuse of digitalised research objects is**
 - Not the lack of appropriate technology, but
 - The **lack of careful attention paid to digital data objects during their creation and storage**
- To overcome this barrier, we need to **render all digital research objects findable in special-purpose and general-purpose repositories using the metadata** assigned to each object
- The FAIR principles **apply to both human-driven and agent-driven activities**



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FAIR data principles • 2

The challenge ...

Depending on the amount and detail of information provided with a digital object, **the computational agent should be able to:**

- 1. Identify the type of object** (with respect to both structure and intent)
- 2. Determine if the object is useful** within the context of the agent's current task by interrogating metadata and/or data elements
- 3. Determine if the object is usable**, with respect to its license, its consent, or other accessibility or use constraints
- 4. Take the appropriate action**

(In much the same way that a human would)



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FAIR data principles • 4

To be findable:

- F1 Data and metadata are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier
- F2 Data are described with rich metadata (defined by R1)
- F3 Metadata clearly and explicitly include the identifier of the data it describes
- F4. Data and metadata are registered or indexed in a searchable resource

To be accessible:

- A1 Data and metadata are retrievable by their identifier using a standardized communications protocol
 - A1.1 The protocol is open, free, and universally implementable
 - A1.2 The protocol allows for an authentication and authorization procedure, where necessary
- A2 Data and metadata are accessible, even when the data are no longer available

To be interoperable:

- I1 Data and metadata use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation
- I2 Data and metadata use vocabularies that follow FAIR principles
- I3 Data and metadata include qualified references to other data and metadata

To be reusable:

- R1 Data and metadata are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes
 - R1.1 Data and metadata are released with a clear and accessible data usage license
 - R1.2 Data and metadata are associated with detailed provenance
 - R1.3 Data and metadata meet domain-relevant community standards

Source: Wilkinson MD et al. (2016) *Scientific Data* 3, 160016



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Summary on FAIR data principles

Compliance with the FAIR data principles:

- Is **achieved by diligent annotation of digital data objects**, using metadata
- Is **achieved through consistent use of standard file formats**, with recognizable file name extensions (e.g., .csv, .tiff, .fst), which can be read and processed using open-source software
- Is **achieved through diligent record keeping** (keep a logbook)
- Is increasingly often a **requirement to operate in modern scientific environments** — so embrace it...



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Questions How many of you use a lab/log book (digital or hard copy)?
How many years do you think you will need to keep the lab/log book?
Where will you store your lab/log book when you have finished a project?



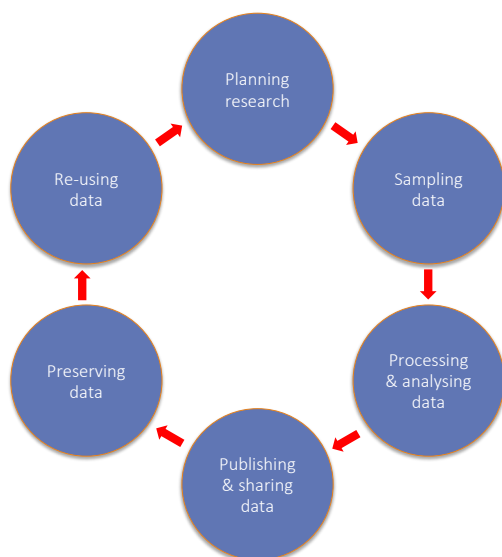
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Data management planning (DMP)



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Scientific data have a live cycle



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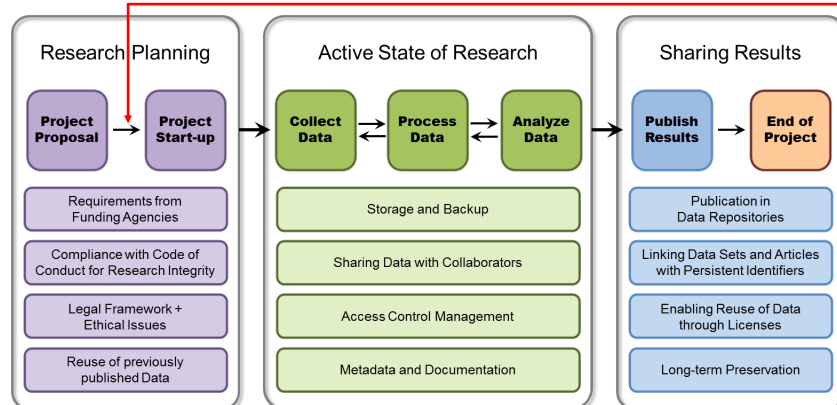
- At the sampling stage, we want to sample enough data, but no more than that
- At the following 4 stages, some data may become lost; we want to minimise that
- **Careful data management planning and research data management is essential**



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Data management planning — in a nutshell...

Data Management Plan (DMP)



DMP starts here (at the latest)

Note

A DMP is a live document that requires regular updating



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Data management plans • 1

Required by a growing number of funding agencies, including the

- European Research Council (ERC)
- Swiss National Research Foundation (SNRF)
- Health Research Board (HRB), Ireland
- Science Foundation Ireland (SFI)
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
- etc



European Research Council
Established by the European Commission



**Swiss National
Science Foundation**



Der Wissenschaftsfonds.



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Data management plans • 2

- Many research funding agencies **use similar policies** (e.g., GDPR, code of conduct, Open Access to publications & data) **and elaborate guidelines** on how to write a DMP
- Some funding agencies cover the costs of enabling open access to publications and data (e.g., SNSF)
- **Preparation of DMPs is facilitated using web-based services**, such as **DMPOnline** and ELIXIR-Converge's **RDMKit**
- Many research organisations have **local facilities and help in preparing DMPs** (e.g., University College Dublin)



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Data management plans • 3 — resources & repositories

Electronic **lab notebooks**

- **SciNote** — free (<https://www.scinote.net/>)
- **Benchling Notebook** — free (<https://www.benchling.com/benchling-eln>)
- **Open Science Framework** — free (<https://osf.io/>)
- **BBEEdit** — powerful & free text editor (<https://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>)

Repositories with version control for source code and documents

- **GitHub** — free public and private repositories (<https://github.com/>)
- **GitLab** — free public and private repositories (<https://about.gitlab.com/>)
- **GitKraken** — A GUI client for using GIT version control without the use of command line (<https://www.gitkraken.com/>)



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Data management plans • 4 — data repositories

Data repositories

- **Figshare** — Free digital repository, max 5Gb, free to access (<https://figshare.com/>)
- **Zenodo** — Free digital repository, max 50Gb, free to access (<https://zenodo.org/>)
- **DRYAD** — Curated digital repository, max 20Gb, free to access (<https://datadryad.org/stash>)
- **Nature** — Guide on data repository (<https://www.nature.com/sdata/policies/repositories>)
- **PLoS** — Policy on data availability (<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/s/data-availability>)
- **Dataverse** — review (<https://dataverse.org/blog/comparative-review-various-data-repositories>)
- **re3data** — Registry of Research Data Repositories (<https://www.re3data.org/>)
- **FAIRsharing** — A curated resource on data and metadata standards, etc (<https://fairsharing.org>)
- **Open Access Directory** — Data repositories, partitioned by discipline (Archaeology, Astronomy, Biology, ..., Social Sciences (https://oad.simmons.edu/oadwiki/Data_repositories))



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Data management plans • 5 — file formats, metadata, etc

File formats for long-term preservation

- **DRYAD** — recommended formats and guidelines (<https://datadryad.org/stash/terms#formats>)
- **BiUM** — useful info (<https://www.bium.ch/en/publication-open-access/data-management/#5>)

Metadata and README files, allowing data to be understood and reused

- **FAIRsharing** — A resource on field-specific metadata and format standards (<https://fairsharing.org>)
- **Digital Curation Center** — A resource on field-specific metadata and format standards (<https://www.dcc.ac.uk/guidance/standards/metadata>)
- **DataCite metadata schema** — Standard for describing general research data. Useful before data is stored (https://schema.datacite.org/meta/kernel-4.1/doc/DataCite-MetadataKernel_v4.1.pdf)
- **DataCite metadata generator** — tool used to generate a Readme XML file describing your datasets (<https://github.com/mpaluch/datacite-metadata-generator>)



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Data management plans • 6 — DMPOnline

DMPONLINE Home Public DMPs Funder requirements Help Language

Plan to make data work for you

Data Management Plans that meet institutional funder requirements.

DMPOnline helps you to create, review, and share data management plans that meet institutional and funder requirements. It is provided by the Digital Curation Centre (DCC).

103 561 Users 308 Organisations 114 289 Plans 89 Countries

Source: <https://dmponline.dcc.ac.uk>



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Data management plans • 7 — Elixir Converge RDMKit

The screenshot shows the RDMKit website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the RDMKit logo and links for 'Data management', 'About', 'Contribute', and 'GitHub'. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with the text 'What can we help you find?' and a search icon. Underneath the search bar is a section titled 'Browse all topics by' with six cards, each representing a different topic:

- Data life cycle**: Start here to get an overview of research data management based on stages in the data life cycle.
- Your role**: Identify your role in research data management, find data management resources relevant for you, and information to help you progress in your career path.
- Your domain**: Learn about data management tasks that affect your domain or research community, and the solutions adopted to address them.
- Your tasks**: Find guidelines and solutions for tackling common data management tasks.
- Tool assembly**: Find concrete combinations of tools and resources assembled into an ecosystem for research data management.
- National resources**: Find pointers to country-specific information resources and national research data management practices.

At the bottom right of the page, there are logos for the European Union and Elixir Converge.

Source: <https://rdmkit.elixir-europe.org/>

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Data management plans • 8 — Elixir Converge RDMKit

The screenshot shows the RDMKit website with the 'Data life cycle' section selected in the left-hand navigation menu. The main content area is titled 'Data life cycle' and includes a list of information organized by stages of the research data life cycle. Below the text is a circular diagram representing the data life cycle stages: Reuse, Plan, Collect, Process, Analyse, Preserve, and Share. The diagram is color-coded and includes icons for each stage. At the bottom right, there are logos for the European Union and Elixir Converge.

Data management

Data life cycle

In this section, information is organised according to the stages of the research data life cycle. You will find:

- A general description and introduction of each stage.
- A list of the main considerations that need to be taken into account during each stage.
- Links to training materials related to each stage.
- Links to related data management tasks that can be performed at each stage.
- Links to a Data Stewardship Wizard for your DMP and to step-by-step instructions to make your data FAIR.

Source: https://rdmkit.elixir-europe.org/data_life_cycle

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Data management plans • 9 — RDM & DMP at UCD

The screenshot shows the UCD Library website page for "Research Data Management: Data Management Plans". The page features a search bar at the top, a navigation menu with options like "Explore Collections", "Use the Library", "Guides & Help", "Cultural Heritage", "Contact Us", and "A-Z Index". Below the navigation, there is a breadcrumb trail: "Library / LibGuides / Researcher Guides / Research Data Management / Data Management Plans". The main heading is "Research Data Management: Data Management Plans" with a "Search this Guide" button. A sub-heading reads: "Bringing together University resources and services to facilitate researchers in the production of high quality data." Below this is a navigation menu with tabs: "Introduction", "Getting started with RDM", "Funders' Requirements", "Data Management Plans" (selected), and "Data Description". Underneath are more specific categories: "Organisation, Documentation & Metadata", "Storage, Backup & Security", "Legal & Ethical Requirements", "Data Sharing & Long-term Preservation", "Responsibilities & Resources", "Support & Training", "UCD Library's Suite of Resources", and "Discover RDM Webinars". The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "At a Glance", defines a DMP as a document outlining how data will be managed within the research project and beyond, and lists "Data description and" as a key element. The right column, titled "Data Management Plans", provides a formal definition of a DMP and mentions that UCD Library has developed a Data Management Checklist to help researchers get started.

Source: <https://libguides.ucd.ie/data/dmp>



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Data management plans • 10 — typical questions

1. **Data collection and documentation**
 - a. What data will you collect, observe, generate or reuse?
 - b. How will the data be collected, observed, or generated?
 - c. What documentation and metadata will you provide with the data?
2. **Ethics, legal and security issues**
 - a. How will ethical issues be addressed and handled?
 - b. How will data access and security be managed?
 - c. How will you handle copyright and Intellectual Property Rights issues?
3. **Data storage and preservation**
 - a. How will your data be stored and backed-up during the research?
 - b. What is your data preservation plan?
4. **Data sharing and reuse**
 - a. How and where will the data be shared?
 - b. Are there any necessary limitations to protect sensitive data?
 - c. Do the intended digital repositories conform to the FAIR Data Principles?
 - d. What organisations will be maintaining the intended data repositories (profit/non-profit)?



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Data management plans • 11 — things to consider

Types of data used in research project

- Materials / samples
- Protocols
- Codes/scripts/programs
- Raw data
- Processed data
- Results
- Notes/notebooks

Types and sizes of files used in project

- Cell microscopy images (.tiff, .jpg)
- Sequencing data (FASTQ, fasta, .fst)
- Figures and graphs (.pdf, .svg)
- Spreadsheets (.csv)
- Scripts (.sh, .r, .py)
- MS data (mzXML, PKL*)
- Interview videos (MP4)
- Protocols and instructions (.txt)
- Texts accompanying videos (.pdf)



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Data management plans • 12 — assembling basic information

Types	Equipment	Software	Data storage format	Data archiving / sharing format	Volume



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Data management plans — example 1 (cell. & microb. project)

Types	Equipment	Software	Data storage format	Data archiving / sharing format	Volume
Microscopy images					
Raw data: microscopy cell images	Zeiss LSM 710 Quasar	ZEN lite software	.liff	.tiff uncompressed, JPEG2000	500 GB
Secondary data: 3D Z-stack reconstructions and processed images		Imaris 7.2.1 software; Fiji/ImageJ; Adobe Photoshop CS5	.ims, .tif series, .PSD	.tiff uncompressed, JPEG2000	1 TB
Analysed data: cell quantifications		Imaris 7.2.1 software, Excel	.ims, .xlsx	.xlsx; .csv	3 GB
Raw data :time lapse video microscopy	Leica SP5	LAS AF Lite 4.0.11706	.czi files; .avi, .mov	MPEG-4; Motion JPEG 2000	500 GB
Analysed data: tracking function		Metamorph software 6.0	.xlsx	.xlsx; .csv	2 GB
Western Blots					
Raw data: cell images					1 GB
Analysed data: quantification					500 MB
TOTAL =					



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Data management plans — example 2 (comp. biol. project)

Types	Equipment	Software	Data storage format	Data archiving / sharing format	Volume
Sequence data					
Nucleotide sequences (simulated)	Computer	INDELible V1.03 (Mol. Biol. Evol. 26, 1879-1888) Hetero2 v2.4 (Syst. Biol. 63:726-742) R v4.2.0 (www.R-project.org) SatuRation v1.0 (www.github.com/ljermin/SatuRation.v1.0/) SatuRationHeatMapper v1.0 (www.github.com/ZFMK/SatuRationHeatMapper/) RedundancyHeatMapper v1.0 (www.github.com/ZFMK/RedundancyHeatMapper/) FigTree v1.4.4 (tree.bio.ed.ac.uk/software/figtree/)	Text, PDF & script files: .fas (text) .fst (text) .txt (text) .csv (text) .sh (scripts) .R (scripts) .pdf (figures)	Text, PDF & scripts .fas (text) .fst (text) .txt (text) .csv (text) .sh (scripts) .R (scripts) .pdf (figures)	150 Mb
Nucleotide sequences (simulated)	Computer	IQ-TREE2 v2.1.2 (Mol. Biol. Evol. 37, 1530-1534)	Text files .iqtree (text) .bionj (text) .contree (text) .log (text) .mldist (text) .treefile (text) .nwk (text) .nex (text)	Text files .iqtree (text) .bionj (text) .contree (text) .log (text) .mldist (text) .treefile (text) .nwk (text) .nex (text)	600 Mb



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Questions How many of you have written a DMP?
What was the worst part of it?
What was the best part of it?



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Research Data Management (RDM)



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Research data management • 1

- Research in modern scientific communities often entails **collecting and analysing huge amounts of highly heterogeneous data** (qualitative and quantitative data in various forms)
- Growing demands for **transparency, reproducibility, and accountability** — coupled with the **FAIR Data Principles** — have led to **significant changes in how research is done**, on a small scale as well as on an industrial scale
- **RDM is now an integral part of R&D in modern societies**
- In Europe, **ELIXIR is a key innovator, enabler, and partner**

Source: <https://elixir-europe.org>



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Research data management • 2

The screenshot shows the RDMkit website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the RDMkit logo and links for 'Data management', 'About', 'Contribute', and 'GitHub'. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with the text 'What can we help you find?' and a search input field. The main content area is titled 'Browse all topics by' and features a grid of six topic cards, each with an icon and a brief description:

- Data life cycle**: Start here to get an overview of research data management based on stages in the data life cycle.
- Your role**: Identify your role in research data management, find data management resources relevant for you, and information to help you progress in your career path.
- Your domain**: Learn about data management tasks that affect your domain or research community, and the solutions adopted to address them.
- Your tasks**: Find guidelines and solutions for tackling common data management tasks.
- Tool assembly**: Find concrete combinations of tools and resources assembled into an ecosystem for research data management.
- National resources**: Find pointers to country specific information resources and national research data management practices.

At the bottom of the grid, there are icons for 'Tools' (gears) and 'Education' (graduation cap). The footer includes the source URL and the ELIXIR CONVERGE logo.

Source: <https://rdmkit.elixir-europe.org/>



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Research data management • 3

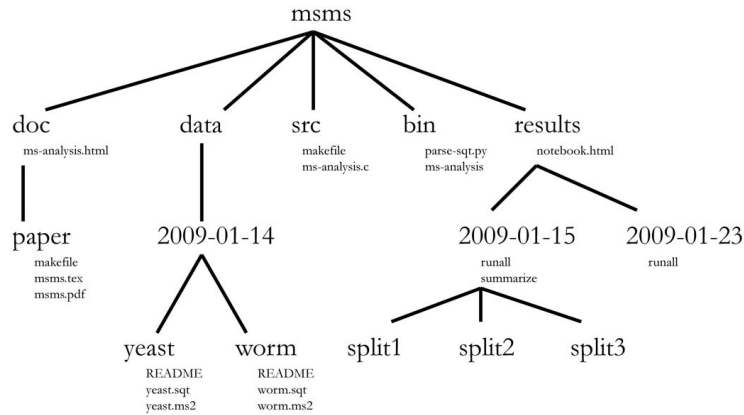


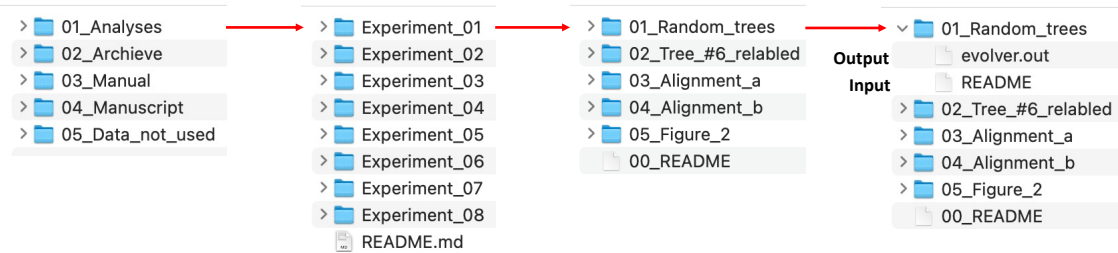
Figure 1. Directory structure for a sample project. Directory names are in large typeface, and filenames are in smaller typeface. Only a subset of the files are shown here. Note that the dates are formatted <year>-<month>-<day> so that they can be sorted in chronological order. The source code `src/ms-analysis.c` is compiled to create `bin/ms-analysis` and is documented in `doc/ms-analysis.html`. The README files in the data directories specify who downloaded the data files from what URL on what date. The driver script `results/2009-01-15/runall` automatically generates the three subdirectories `split1`, `split2`, and `split3`, corresponding to three cross-validation splits. The `bin/parse-sqt.py` script is called by both of the `runall` driver scripts.

Source: Noble WS (2009) *PLoS Computational Biology* 5, e1000424



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Notes

- The README file contains information about the software as well as the input instructions used
- The `evolver.out` file contains the output (i.e., results from running `evolver` with the instructions)

Source: Jermiin LS et al. (2023) *Systematic Biology* (in review)



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Example 4 • RDM & record keeping

The README file

```
# This file includes the input and output from evolver, an interactive CMD-line program.
#
# Software   evolver (from the PAML program package)
# Version   4.8a
# Source    http://abacus.gene.ucl.ac.uk/software/paml.html
# Reference  Yang, Z. 2007. PAML 4: a program package for phylogenetic analysis by
#           maximum likelihood. Molecular Biology and Evolution 24: 1586-1591
#
# Text below the line ('---') was copied from the terminal. The first line is the command
# that causes the program to execute. The operator then gave the answer to 6 questions:
# Q1 = 2
# Q2 = 20
# Q3 = 10 57
# Q4 = 1
# Q5 = 0.6 0.1 0.5 0.5
# Q6 = 0
# The output is included in the associated file called evolver.out.
---
evolver
EVOLVER in paml version 4.8a, August 2014
Results for options 1-4 & 0 go into evolver.out

(1) Get random UNROOTED trees?
(2) Get random ROOTED trees?
(3) List all UNROOTED trees?
(4) List all ROOTED trees?
(5) Simulate nucleotide data sets (use Mbase.dat)?
(6) Simulate codon data sets (use Mccodon.dat)?
(7) Simulate amino acid data sets (use Mcaa.dat)?
(8) Calculate identical bi-partitions between trees?
(9) Calculate clade support values (evolver 9 treefile mastertreefile <pickitree>)?
(11) Label clades?
(0) Quit?
2
No. of species: 20
number of trees & random number seed? 10 57
Want branch lengths from the birth-death process (0/1)? 1
birth rate, death rate, sampling fraction, and mutation rate (tree height)?
0.6 0.1 0.5 0.5
```

Allows you to find and download correct version of the software used

Lists the answers given to the questions posted by the software

Start the program

Question 1

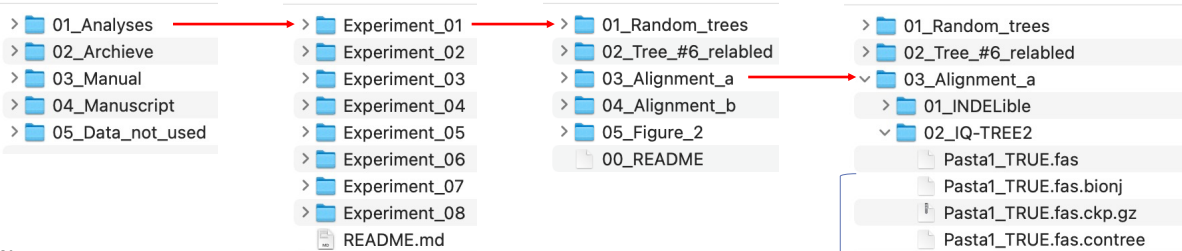
Answer 1

Etc ...



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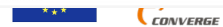
Notes

- Use shell scripts (see below) to control as many analytical process as possible
- Ensure transparency about the software used (name, version, source, reference)

```
#!/bin/bash
# Software   IQTREE 2
# Version   2.1.2
# Source    http://www.iqtree.org
# Reference  Minh BQ et al. (2020) IQ-TREE 2: New models and efficient methods for
#           phylogenetic inference in the genomic era. Mol. Biol. Evol. 37, 1530-1534
iqtree2 -s Pasta1_TRUE.fas --seqtype DNA -m JC+I --ufboot 10000
```

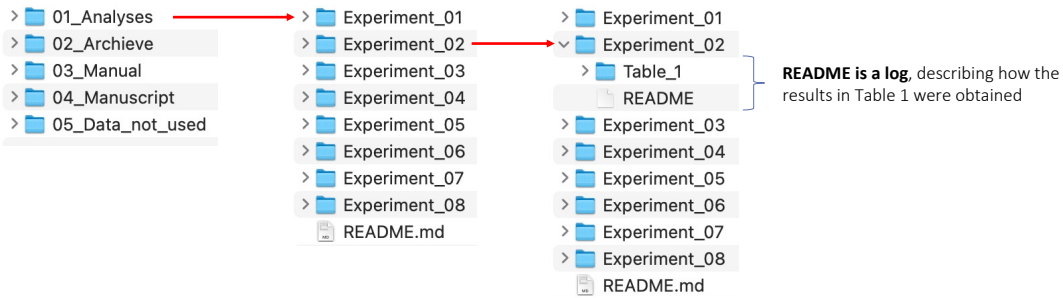
Results

Source: Jermiin LS et al. (2023) *Systematic Biology* (in review)



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The README file

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO TABLE 1 OF THE MANUSCRIPT

Here "the manuscript" refers to

Jermiin LS, Meusemann K, Misof B, Shields DC. 2022. Quantifying the strength of the historical signal in multiple sequence alignments of phylogenetic data. *Systematic Biology* (in review)

Objective: Determine how different metrics change as a function of the input data.

STEP 1
Generated nine directories:

- ./N1
- ./N2
- ./N3
- ./N4
- ./N5
- ./N6
- ./N7
- ./N8
- ./N9

one for each divergence matrix in the manuscript.

STEP 2
Within each of these directories we placed five similar files. For example, in ./N1 we placed:

```
Runner_1-Make_data.sh
Parameter_File_list.txt
Parameters_info.txt
Sites_info.txt
Tree_0.1.nwk
```

Runner_1-Make_data.sh is a shell script, which calls Hetero2 v2.4 (Jayaswal et al. 2014; *Syst. Biol.* 63, 726-742), a program that reads the parameters from the other four files, and then simulate evolution of a nucleotide sequence on a 2-tipped tree, which is stored in Tree_0.1.nwk.

The numbers in the name of the .nwk file represent the edge lengths in the 2-tipped tree.

STEP 3
Within each directory we ran the shell script and obtained an alignment with nucleotides. For example, in ./N1 we obtained Tree_0.1.fst.

STEP 4.
Using SeaView v5.0.4 (Gouy et al. 2010; *Mol. Biol. Evol.* 27, 221-224), we obtained the divergence matrix from each .fst file in the nine directories. These divergence matrices were transferred to spreadsheet

./Table_1/Matrices.xlsx

Estimates of d_obs, d_ran, b_1, lambda, and d_obs/b_1 were obtained using equations embedded in Matrices.xlsx. Relevant numbers from Matrices.xlsx were transferred to the manuscript, including Table 1.

END

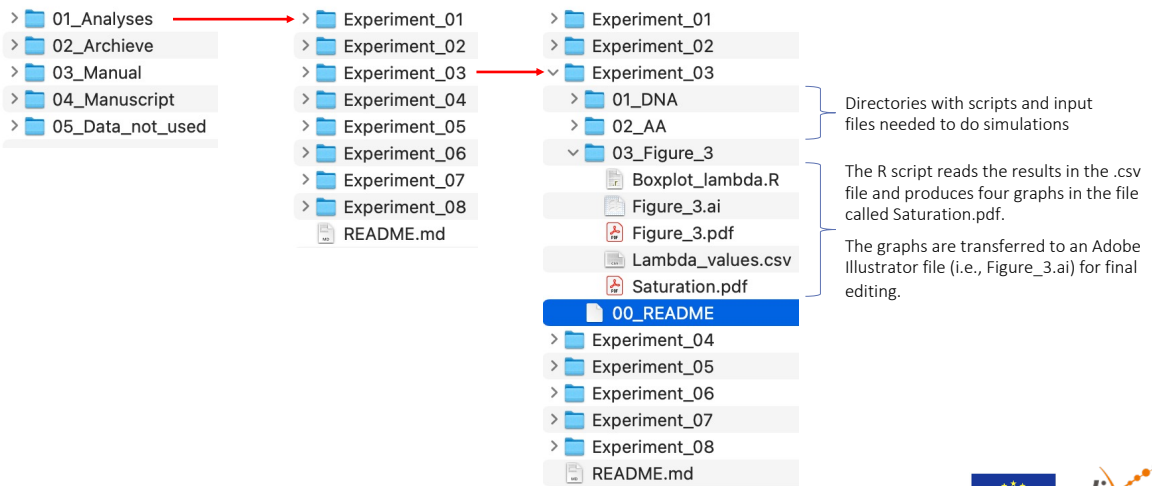
Note Each STEP describes one of the actions taken, leading to the results in ./Table_1/Matrices.xlsx

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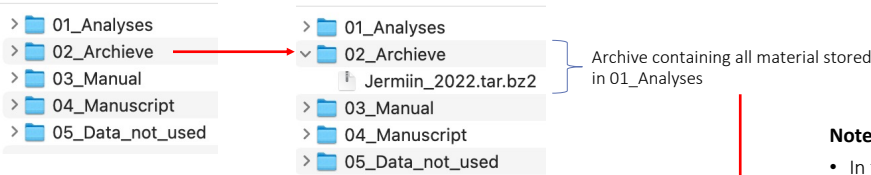


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Example 4 • RDM & repository



Data associated with "Quantifying the Strength of the Historical Signals in Multiple Sequence Alignments in Phylogenetic data"

We are assembling your requested download for this dataset that is currently private for peer review.

If the download process does not begin automatically within several minutes, click the link above to start the download.

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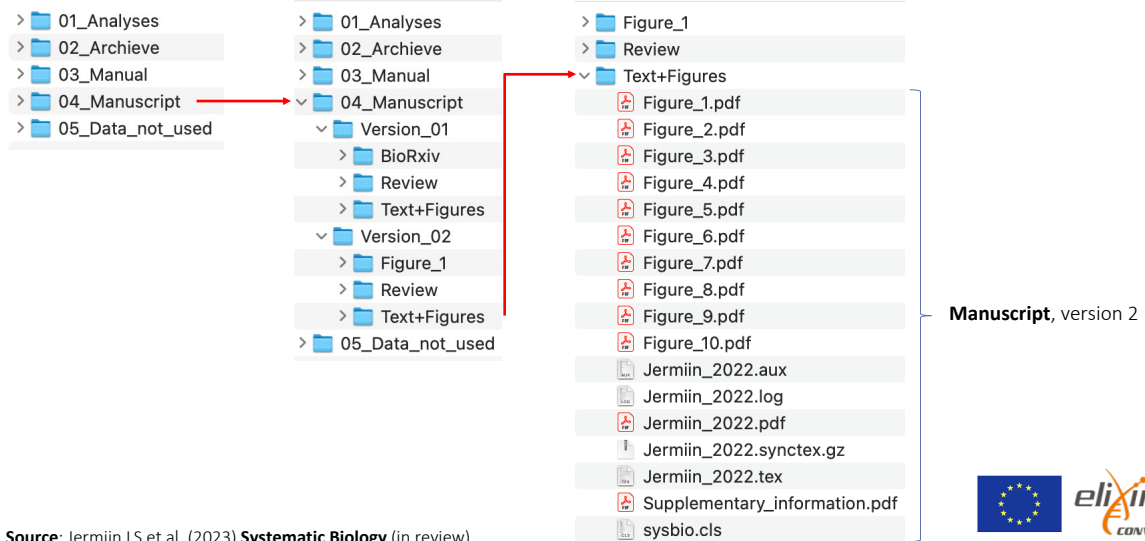
Notes

- In this case, we used DRYAD (we could have used Zenodo)
- **Provide relevant metadata**, outlining what is included in the archive
- **The repository returns a unique DOI** (digital object identifier)
- **Include the DOI in the paper** (creates a permanent link between the archive and the paper)



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Example 4 • RDM & manuscript

Quantifying the Strength of the Historical Signals in Multiple Sequence Alignments of Phylogenetic Data

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ABSTRACT

While there are sophisticated methods for inferring multiple sequence alignments (MSAs), models of sequence evolution, and phylogenetic trees from sequence data, the initial key

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Research data management • benefits

Although **good RDM requires time and attention to detail**, it is also likely to

- Make it easier and faster to **recall what you did** months or years ago
- Make it easier and faster to **respond to enquiries and peer reviews**
- Improve your **standing in collaborative research projects**
- Improve the **quality of your research and research output**
- Increase your **scientific impact** (e.g., through citations)
- Improve the **transparency and reproducibility of your research**
- **Safeguard you** against accusations of engaging in fraudulent research practices



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