Data Management Plans

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Agenda

Why do we need to manage data properly?

What are Data Management Plans (DMPs)?

How to create a DMP?



Researchers trying to reuse data...

Conversation of two researchers

- Can I see your data?
- It's on my USB stick
- Can I have it?
- I have in a box and I have moved recently
- Can I have it?
- I forgot to label the boxes...
- (half a year later)
- Thanks, for the USB. However, I cannot read the hexadecimal file on it. How do I open it?
- You need a special program
- What program?
- ...



Hanson, Karen; Surkis, Alisa; Yacobucci, Karen: Data Sharing and Management Snafu in 3 Short Acts. https://doi.org/10.5446/31036



Variety of solutions

In response to these needs many solutions were proposed and are being implemented

- FAIR principles
- open access to scientific publications and data
- research data repositories to host the data
- persistent identifiers to locate the data
- data management plans
- ...



WHAT IS A DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN (DMP)?



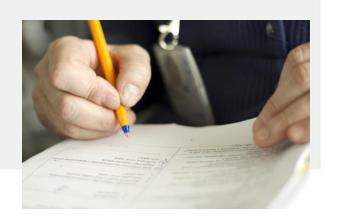
Data Management Plan

DMP is a formal document

It outlines what you will do with your data during and after you complete your research

It ensures your data is safe for the present and the future

[from University of Virginia Library]





DMP is an <u>awareness tool!</u>

DMP makes you think

- what data you will use and where you get it from
- what infrastructure, software, licenses are needed
- what will be the output of your research
- how you will share your research outputs

DMP helps you organise yourself better



DMP can reveal how solid your methodology is

is it a 'fishing expedition'?



DMPs are used worldwide

- Required by
 - research funders
 - institutions, e.g. universities









Research Data Management

General Information

Research data management is an integral part of good research practice (see » Research Integrity & Research Ethics). The FWF therefore requires a data management plan (DMP) for all projects approved as of 1 January 2019. A DMP describes how data and their metadata are collected, organised, stored, published, shared, and archived for a specific project. Furthermore, the DMP outlines how the data will be made — FAIR, which means Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable. The » FWF's Open Access Policy to Research Data must be taken into account when drafting the DMP.

https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/open-access-policy/research-data-management











Example: Projects funded by European Commission

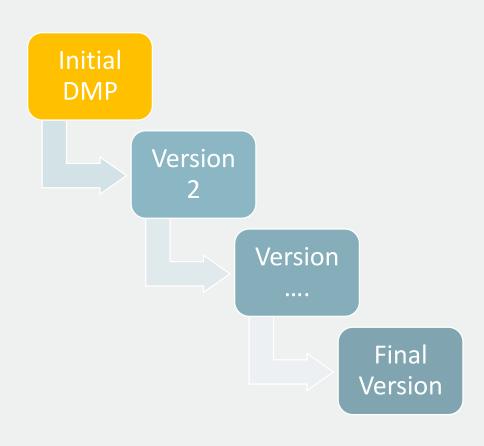
DMP is a living document

First version

within the first 6 months

Updated versions

- when significant changes occur
 - new datasets
 - changes in policies
- periodic reporting
 - project reviews
- end of project





HOW TO CREATE A DMP?



How to create a DMP?

Most cases by

- filling out a template
- answering questions from a checklist

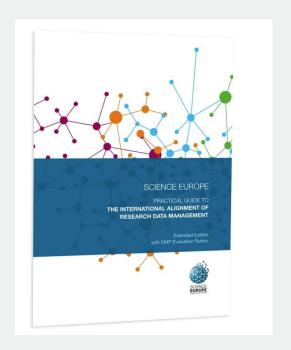
Using software tools

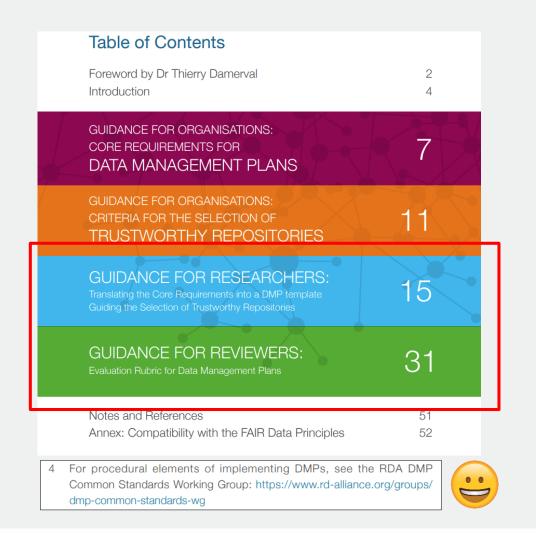
- users choose appropriate funders template
- only relevant questions and guidance is presented



Science Europe Guidelines

Basis for many funder templates







FWF Example

Based on the SE requirements

I General Information					
I.1 Administrative information	Provide information such as name of principal investigator, FWF project number, and version of DMP	 Provide the relevant grant information. Consider regular updates of the DMP. 			
I.2 Data management responsibilities and resources	Who (for example, role, position, and institution) will be responsible for data management? What resources will be dedicated to data management and ensuring that data will be FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable)?	 Indicate who is responsible for implementing the DMP, and for ensuring it is reviewed and, if necessary, revised. For collaborative projects, explain the co-ordination of data management responsibilities across partners. Explain how the necessary resources (for example, time) to prepare the data for sharing/preservation have been costed in. Carefully consider and justify any resources needed to deliver the data. These may include storage costs, hardware, staff time, and repository charges. 			
Il Data Characteristics					
II.1 Data description and collection or re-use of existing data	How will new data be collected or produced and/or how will existing data be re-used? What data (types, formats, and volumes) will be collected or produced?	 Explain which methodologies or software will be used if new data are collected or produced. State any constraints on re-use of existing data if there are any. Explain how data provenance will be documented. Give details on the kind of data: for example, numeric (databases), textual (documents), image, audio, or video. Give details on the data format: the way in which the data is encoded for storage, often reflected by the filename extension (for example, pdf, xls, doc, txt, or rdf). 			



DMP tools







DMP Online

https://dmponline.dcc.ac.uk/

Data Stewardship Wizard

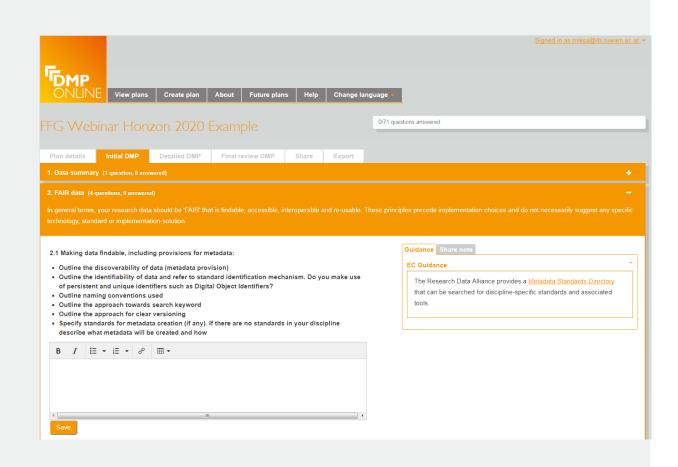
https://ds-wizard.org

Argos

https://argos.openaire.eu/splash/

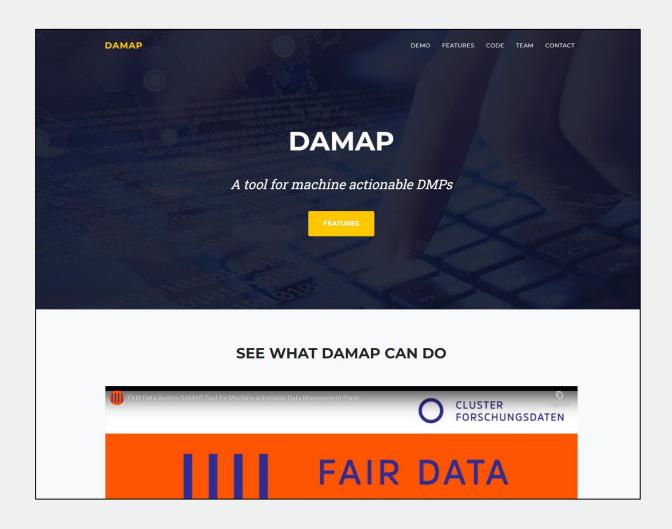
RDMO

https://rdmorganiser.github.io/en/





DMP tool at TUW



(and what I should also do!)

WHAT SHOULD I WRITE IN FACT?



FWF Template – running example

- I. General information
- II. Data Characteristics
- III. Documentation and Data Quality
- IV. Data Storage, Sharing and Long-Term Preservation
- V. Legal and Ethical Aspects

This lecture: not an exhaustive walk-through! Only interesting/relevant aspects!



I General Information				
I.1 Administrative information				
I.2 Data management responsibilities and resources				
II Data Characteristics				
II.1 Data description and collection or re- use of existing data				
III Documentation and	Data Quality			
III.1 Metadata and documentation				
III.2 Data quality control				
IV Data Storage, Sharing, and Long-Term Preservation				
IV.1 Data storage and backup during the research process				
IV.2 Data sharing and long-term preservation				
V Legal and Ethical Aspects				
V.1 Legal aspects				
V.2 Ethical aspects				

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

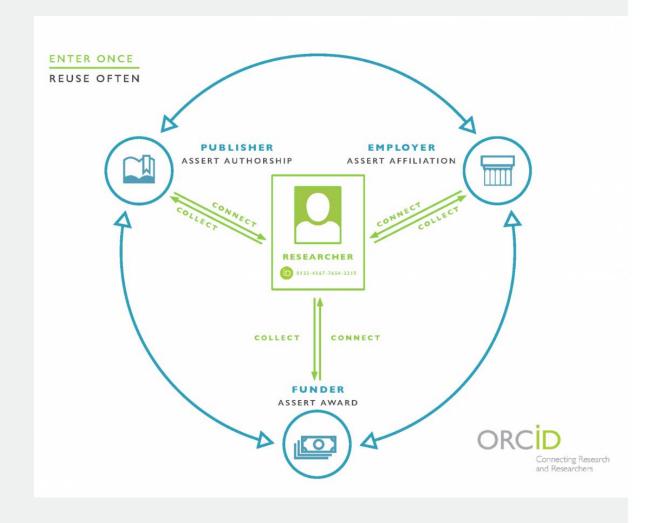


ORCID – persistent identifier for people

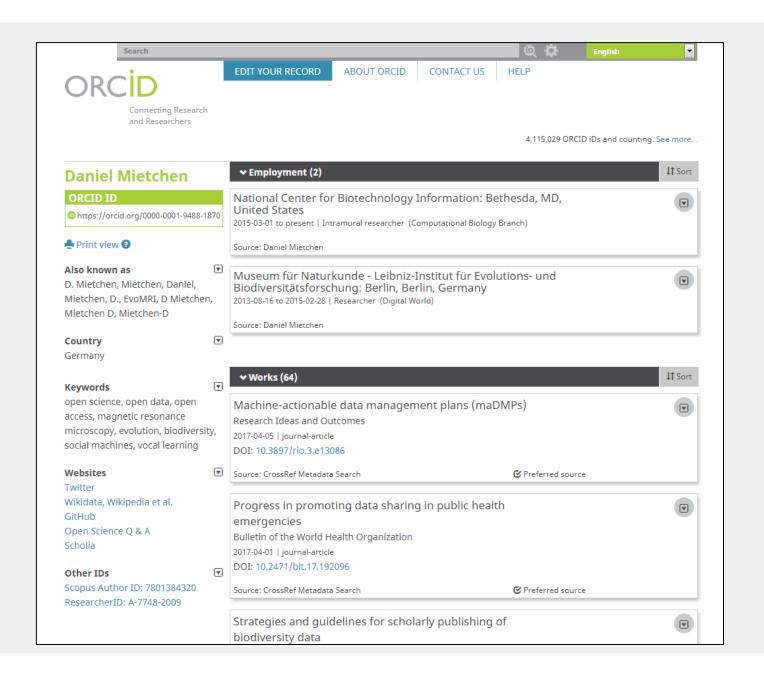
ORCID ID

- Unique person ID
- ORCID assigned once
- Person can change affiliations (jobs)
- Example: 0000-0002-4929-7875











II. DATA CHARACTERISTICS



What is data?

- Instrument measurements
- Experimental observations
- •Still images, video and audio
- •Text documents, spreadsheets, databases
- Quantitative data (e.g. survey data)
- Survey results & interview transcripts
- Simulation data, models & software
- •Slides, artefacts, specimens, samples
- Questionnaires
- •Sketches, diaries, lab notebooks





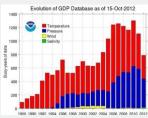


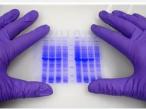




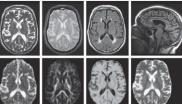














Data Summary

Type

text, spreadsheets, software, models, images, movies, audio, patient records, etc.

Source

human observation, laboratory, field instruments, experiments, simulations, compilations, etc.

Volume

total volume of data, number of files, etc.

Data and file formats

- non-proprietary formats
- used within community



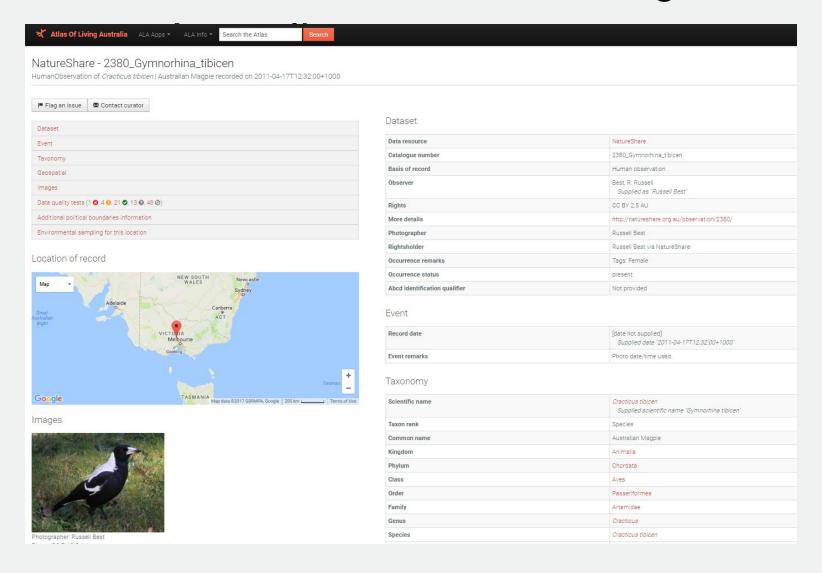
III. DOCUMENTATION AND DATA QUALITY



What is in the picture?



Metadata – Atlas Of Living



Metadata – Atlas Of Living Australia

Dataset

Data resource	NatureShare
Catalogue number	2380_Gymnorhina_tibicen
Basis of record	Human observation
Observer	Best, R. Russell Supplied as "Russell Best"
Rights	CC BY 2.5 AU
More details	http://natureshare.org.au/observation/2380/
Photographer	Russell Best
Rightsholder	Russell Best via NatureShare
Occurrence remarks	Tags: Female
Occurrence status	present
Abcd identification qualifier	Not provided



Metadata – Atlas Of Living Australia

Event				
Record date	[date not supplied] Supplied date "2011-04-17T12:32:00+1000"			
Event remarks	Photo date/time used.			
Taxonomy				
Scientific name	Cracticus tibicen Supplied scientific name "Gymnorhina tibicen"			
Taxon rank	Species			
Common name	Australian Magpie			
Kingdom	Animalia			
Phylum	Chordata			
Class	Aves			
Order	Passeriformes			
Family	Artamidae			
Genus	Cracticus			
Species	Cracticus tibicen			
Taxonomic issues	No issues			
Name match metric	Exact match The supplied name matched the name exactly.			



Metadata – Atlas Of Living Australia

Geospatial			
Country	Australia		
State or territory	Victoria		
Local government area	Macedon Ranges (S)		
Latitude	-37.421078		
Longitude	144.61954		
Geodetic datum	EPSG:4326		
Biome	Terrestrial		
Verbatim longitude	144.619541		
Verbatim latitude	-37.421077		





Standards and metadata

Metadata

- helps to understand and interpret data
- provides details about experiment setup
 - who, when, in which conditions, tools, versions, etc.
- helps identify and discover new data

Use community standards to enable interoperability

http://www.dcc.ac.uk/resources/metadata-standards



IV. DATA STORAGE, SHARING AND LONG-TERM PRESERVATION



Managing data during research

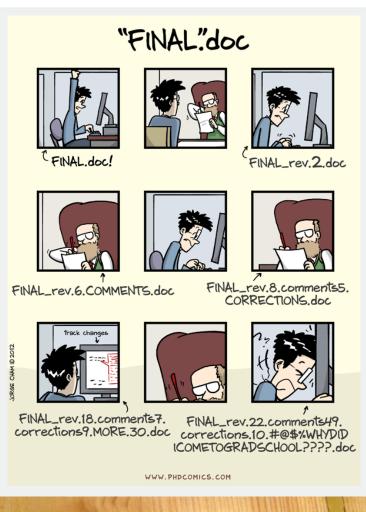
If you loose your data there will be nothing to share!

Recreating or recollecting data can be

- impossible
 - e.g. observational data
- too expensive
 - e.g. cost of computational power

How do you manage data during the project?

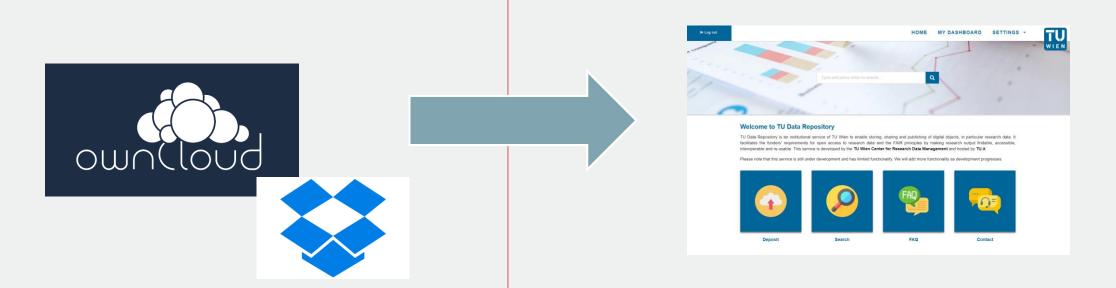
- file naming convention
- versioning
- backups
- should the access be restricted?
- who is responsible?







Backup vs archiving and preservation (traditional view)



Data managed during the project

- Changed/deleted
- Backup

Stable snapshot of data

- Moved into a repository
- Enriched with metadata and licensing details
- Not only backups

What makes a system a repository?

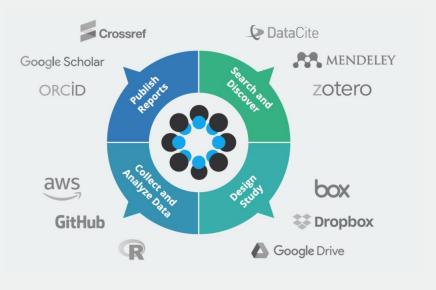


Backup vs archiving and preservation (new approaches)

- No need to differentiate between project and post-project phases
- One system can be used for managing and preserving data







https://www.cos.io/products/osf



Archiving and preservation

Which data will be shared?

- What has to be kept?
- What can't be recreated?
- What is potentially useful to others?
- What legally must be destroyed?

Where will the data be deposited?

not all of the data must be shared in the same way

Are there any embargo periods?

For how long?

What is the cost and who will pay for it?

Which license to use?



Where to find a repository?

1. Use Domain specific repository

• e.g. chEMBL (if you work with molecules)

2. Use Institutional repository

• e.g. researchdata.tuwien.ac.at (if you work at TU Wien)

3. Search registry to find a relevant one

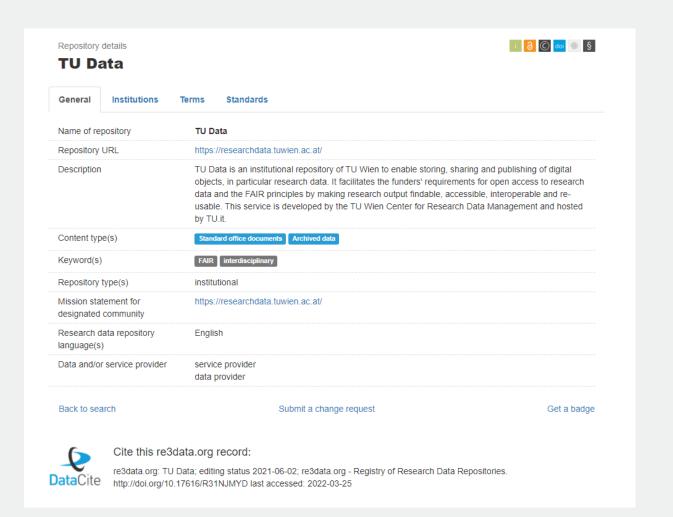
• e.g. re3data.org

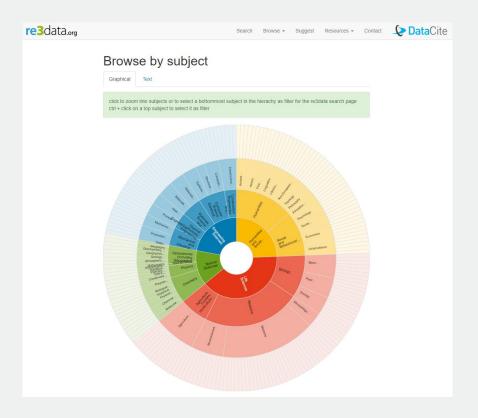
4. Use *catch-all* repository

• e.g. zenodo.org



re3data.org







V. LEGAL AND ETHICAL ASPECTS



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Software Licenses

Choose correct license for your software

Apache, MIT, GNU, BSD, ...

Check licenses of libraries you reuse in your software

- Example: GNU GPL vs GNU LGPL
 - GPL enforces the reusing software to be GPL (also public)
 - LGPL code must be clearly marked, rest of the software can have different license (can be private)

Software licenses can also be used for data



https://choosealicense.com



SUMMARY



Tips for writing DMPs

DMP can reveal how solid your work is

Seek advice - consult and collaborate

When answering questions from checklists write coherent text

Be specific when referring to tools and standards

Assign responsibilities and name responsible personnel



