

# MANAGING AND ARCHIVING DATA THROUGHOUT THE RESEARCH LIFECYCLE

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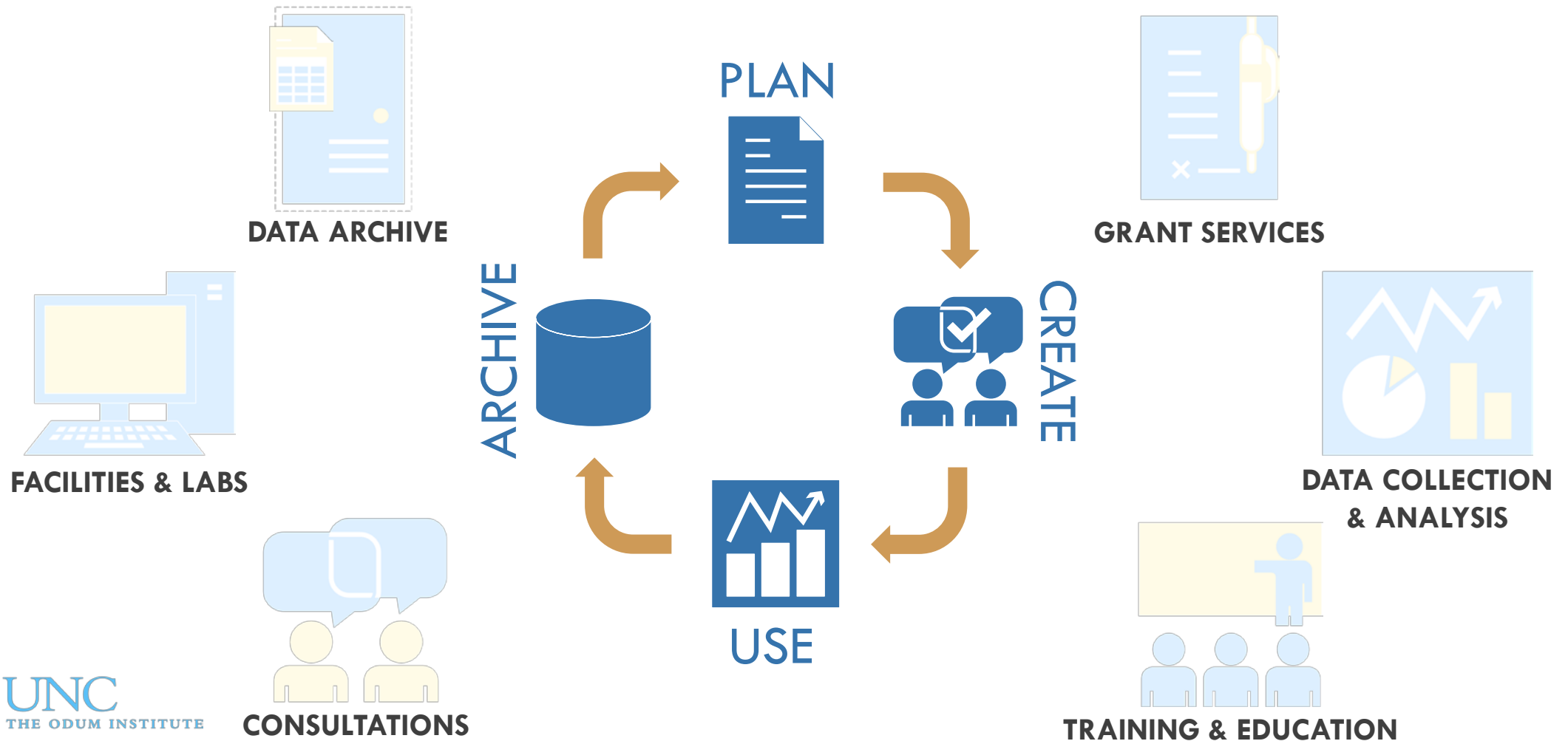
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# “DATA CURATION”

Data curation is “the **active** and **ongoing** management of data through its lifecycle of interest and usefulness to scholarship, science, and education, which includes appraisal and selection, representation, and organization of these data for access and use over time.”

Shreeves, S. L., & Cragin, M. H. (2008). Introduction: Institutional repositories: Current state and future. *Library Trends*, 57(2), 89–97. <http://doi.org/10.1353/lib.0.0037>

# WHY DATA MANAGEMENT?

- Data management improves the **quality** and **integrity** of your own research.
- Data management makes it possible for other researchers to **discover**, **interpret**, and **reuse** data.
- Data management helps **sustain the value of data** by enabling others to verify and build upon published results.
- Data management facilitates **long-term preservation** of and **access** to data.

# WHY DATA MANAGEMENT?

- A growing number of funding agencies, journal publishers, and institutions require it.



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*The corresponding author of a manuscript...must provide replication materials that are sufficient to enable interested researchers to reproduce all of the analytic results that are reported in the text and supporting materials...the replication materials will be verified to confirm that they do, in fact, reproduce the analytic results reported in the article.*

Jacoby, W., & Lupton, R. (2015). AJPS Replication and verification policy. Retrieved from <https://ajps.org/ajps-replication-policy/>

# KEY STAKEHOLDERS

- Researchers
- Institutions
- Data repositories
- Secondary Users
- Funders
- Editors and Publishers



# KEY STAKEHOLDERS: EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

ROLE

Maintain the integrity of the scientific record

RIGHTS

RESPONSIBILITIES





# KEY STAKEHOLDERS: EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

## ROLE

- To expect data are available to support published results

## RIGHTS

- To request pre-publication data deposit in a data repository

## RESPONSIBILITIES



# KEY STAKEHOLDERS: EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

## ROLE

- Engage stakeholders in the development of publication standards

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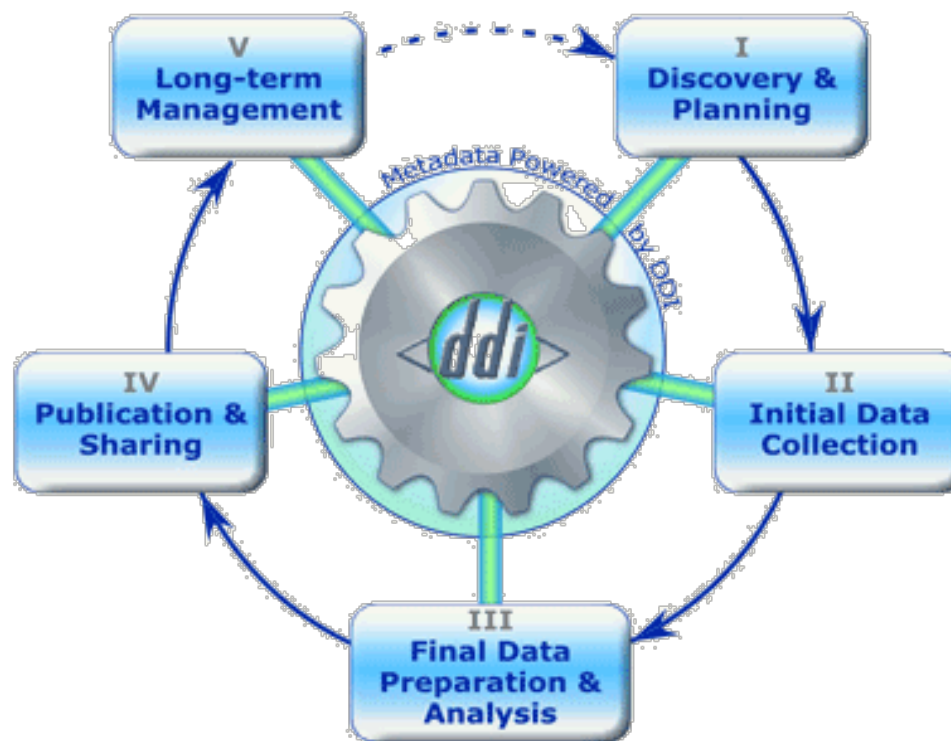
- Link to data to support publication standards

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Monitor and enforce data management standards



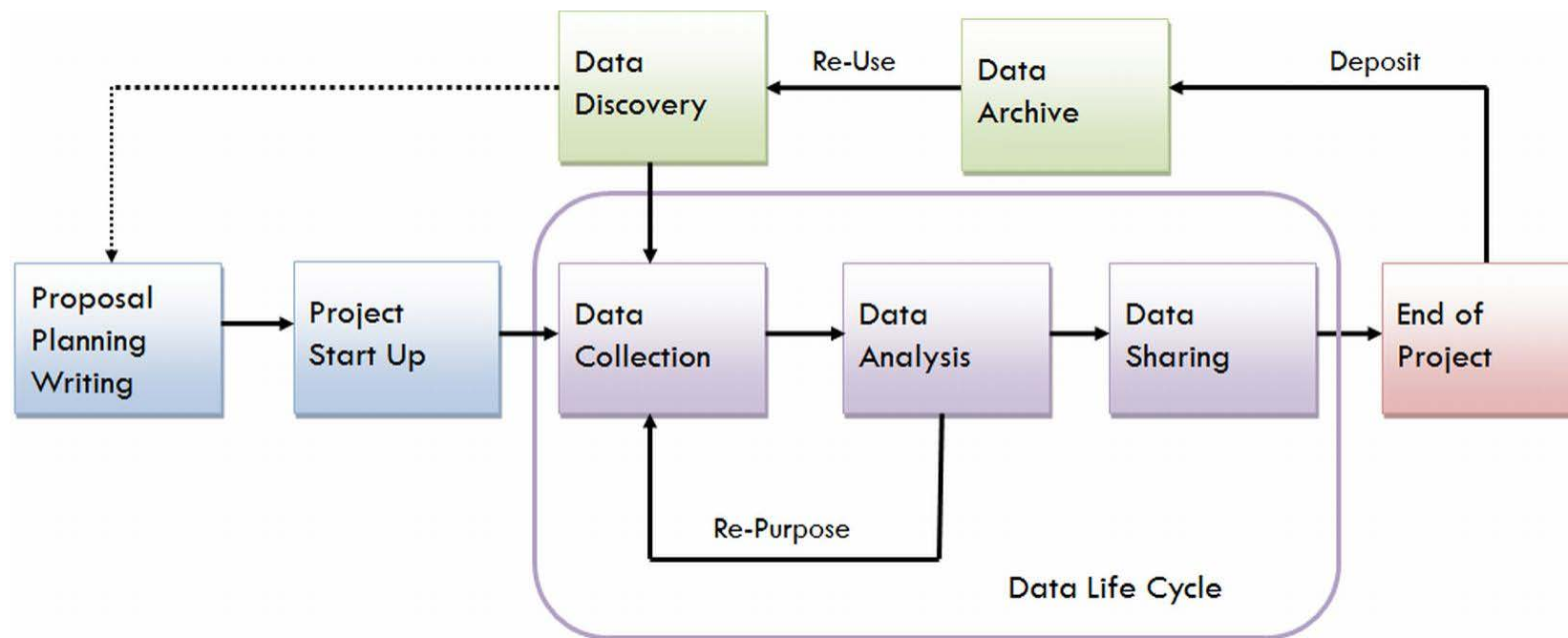
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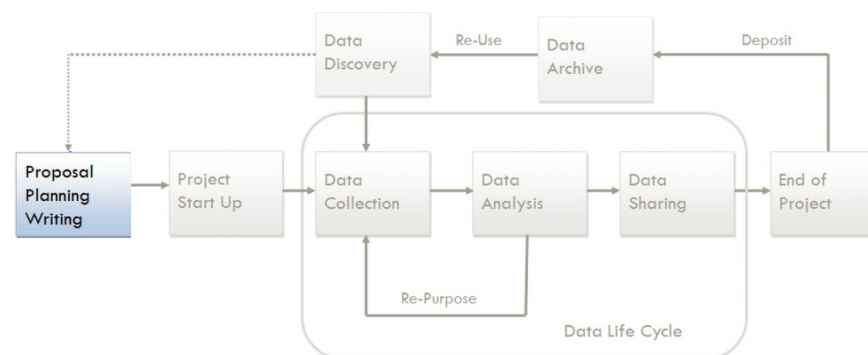


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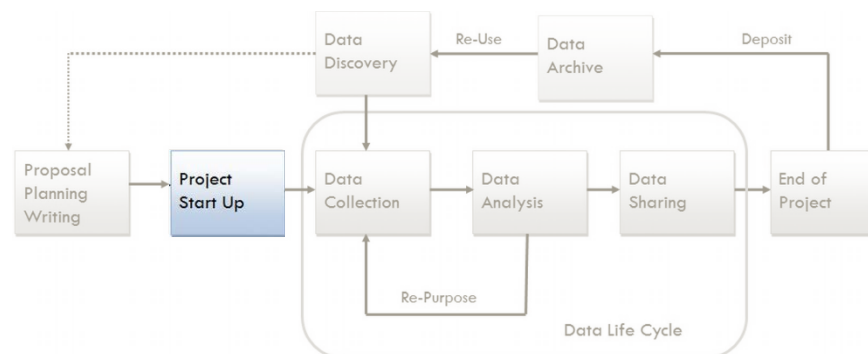
# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: PROPOSAL PLANNING/WRITING

- Establish data management roles and responsibilities
- Identify expected data
- Determine required period of retention
- Consider data formats and dissemination
- Consider possible re-uses of data and how others will access them
- Select a repository that meets the needs and expected uses of the data



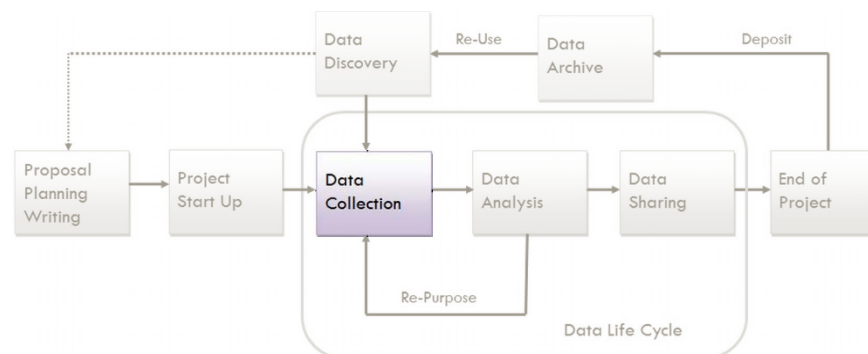
# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: PROJECT START UP

- Consider the formats and organization of data files
- Establish standard file naming conventions
- Implement measures to protect the integrity of data
- Determine the types of documentation and standard metadata that will be required to interpret and use the data
- Identify strategies to document all project decisions that affect the data



# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: DATA COLLECTION

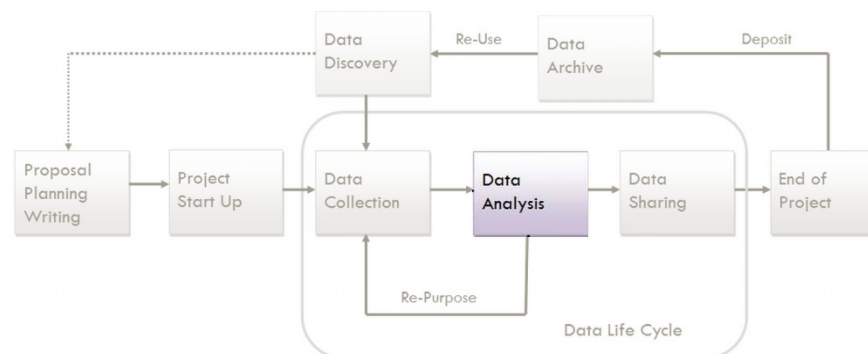
- Implement quality assurance processes to ensure dataset integrity
- Maintain accurate codebooks that contain variable and value labels
- Remain attentive to IRB requirements for the protection of human research subjects
- Implement storage and backup strategy for data





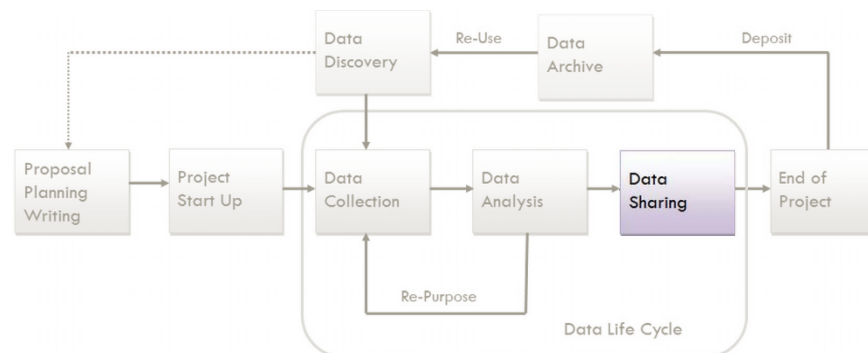
# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: DATA ANALYSIS

- Maintain explicit versions of datasets
- Use explicit version numbers in standardized file names
- Store final dataset files as read-only



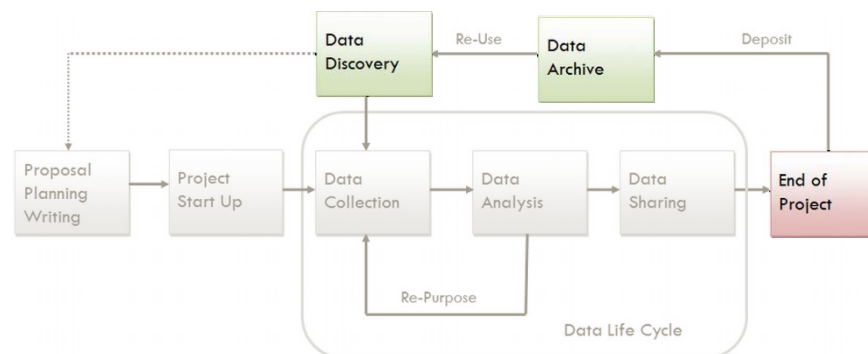
# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: DATA SHARING

- Protect respondent confidentiality
- Implement strategies for limiting disclosure risk
- Restrict access and use of datasets containing protected health information (PHI) and/or personally identifiable information (PII)



# RESEARCH DATA LIFECYCLE: END OF PROJECT

- Prepare data files for submission to the data repository
- Understand the terms of use of your data in the data repository
- Cite the data!



# METADATA

Metadata is structured information that **describes, explains, locates**, or otherwise makes it easier to **retrieve, use, or manage** an information resource. Metadata is often called data about data or information about information.

National Information Standards Organization (U.S.). (2004). *Understanding metadata*. Bethesda, MD: NISO Press. Retrieved from <http://www.niso.org/standards/resources/UnderstandingMetadata.pdf>

# WHY METADATA?

- Resource discovery
- Organizing electronic resources
- Interoperability
- Digital identification
- Archiving and preserving

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# METADATA SCHEMES & ELEMENT SETS

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# DATA QUALITY

The **replication standard** holds that sufficient information exists with which to understand, evaluate, and build upon a prior work if a third party could replicate the results **without any additional information from the author** (p. 444).

King, G. (1995). Replication, replication. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 28(3), 444–452. <http://doi.org/10.2307/420301>

# DATA QUALITY



**REVIEW FILES**



**REVIEW DATA**



**REVIEW DOCS**



**REVIEW CODE**





# DATA QUALITY



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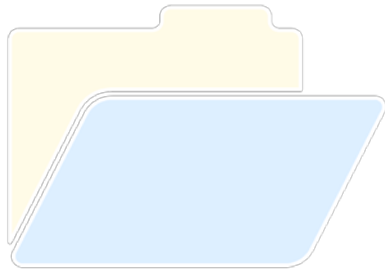


**REVIEW CODE**

- ✓ Assign persistent IDs
- ✓ Create study citation
- ✓ Record file details
- ✓ Check that all files are present
- ✓ Verify file content and format matches
- ✓ Create preservation copies
- ✓ Implement migration strategy
- ✓ Monitor bits



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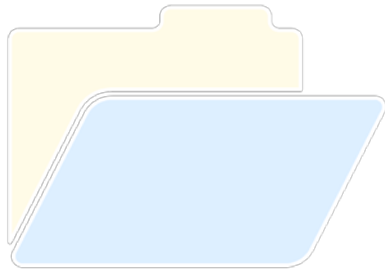
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**REVIEW CODE**

- ✓ Confirm comprehensive descriptive information for informed reuse including methodology and sampling information
- ✓ Link to other research products

# DATA QUALITY



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**REVIEW DATA**



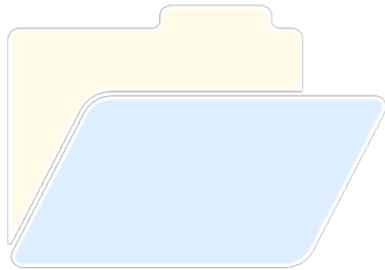
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**REVIEW CODE**

- ✓ Check for undocumented variable and value information or out of range codes
- ✓ Review data for confidentiality issues

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**REVIEW CODE**

- ✓ Check and verify code for data analysis and replication

# DATA MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Developing a data management plan (DMP) enables you to achieve the benefits of managing and sharing data, which include...

- Being able to find and understand your data
- Avoiding unnecessary duplication of data collection efforts
- Maintaining data underlying published results, allowing for validation and replication
- Increasing the visibility and impact of your data
- Promoting new research and collaborations

# DMP CHECKLIST: ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

- ✓ ID
- ✓ Funder + Grant reference number
- ✓ Project name
- ✓ Project description
- ✓ Principal investigator(s)
- ✓ DMP date

# DMP CHECKLIST: DATA COLLECTION

- ☑ What data will you collect or create?
- ☑ How will the data be collected or created?

# DMP CHECKLIST: DOCUMENTATION & METADATA

- What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?



## DMP CHECKLIST: ETHICS & LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- ☑ How will you manage any ethical issues?
- ☑ How will you manage copyright and Intellectual Property Rights issues?

## DMP CHECKLIST: STORAGE & BACKUP

- ☑ How will the data be stored and backed up during the research?
- ☑ How will you manage access and security?

# DMP CHECKLIST: SELECTION & PRESERVATION

- ☑ Which data should be retained, shared, and/or preserved?
- ☑ What is the long-term preservation plan for the dataset?

# DMP CHECKLIST:

## DATA SHARING

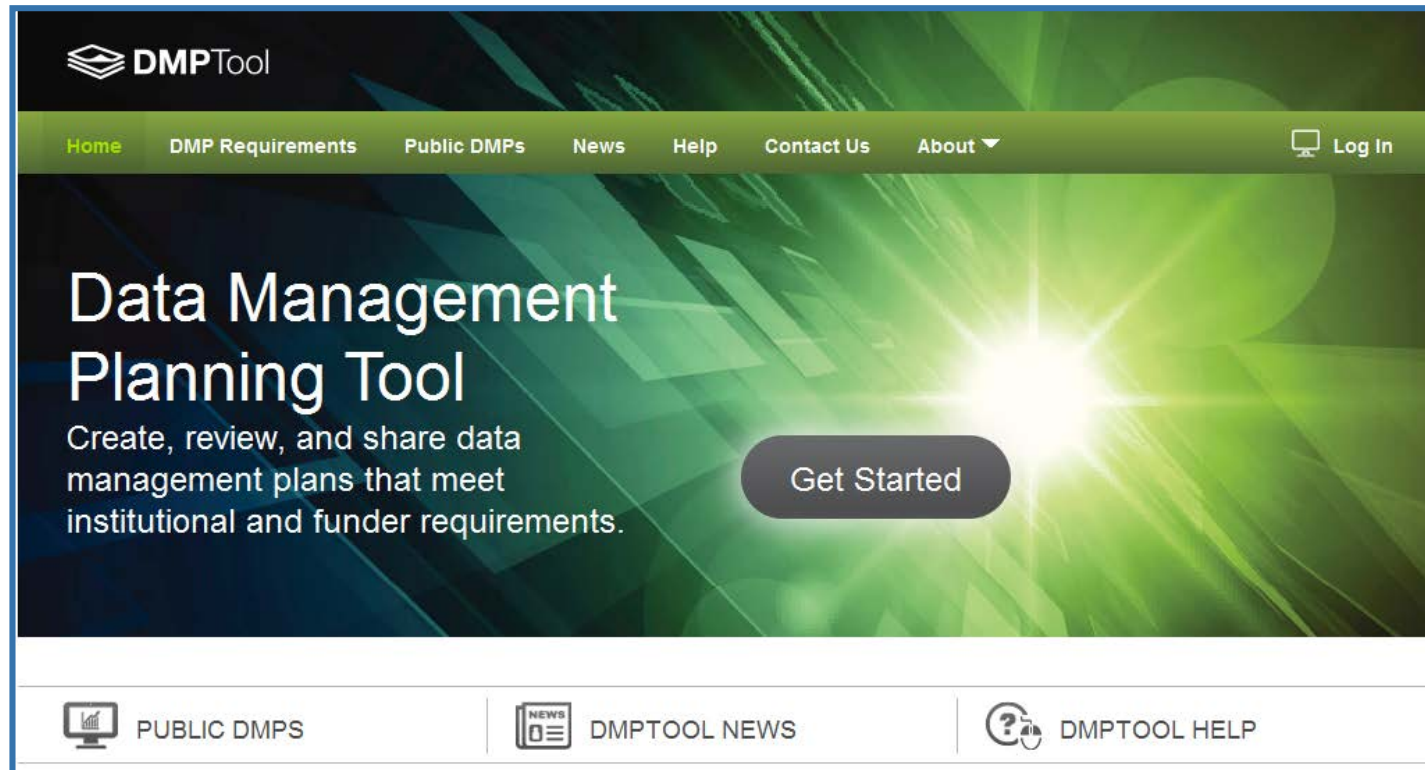
- How will you share the data?
- Are any restrictions on data sharing required?

# DMP CHECKLIST: RESPONSIBILITIES & RESOURCES

- ☑ Who will be responsible for data management?
- ☑ What resources will you require to deliver your plan?

# DMPTOOL

<https://dmptool.org>



The screenshot shows the homepage of the DMPTool website. At the top left is the logo, which consists of a stylized book icon followed by the text "DMPTool". Below the logo is a horizontal navigation menu with the following items: "Home" (highlighted in green), "DMP Requirements", "Public DMPs", "News", "Help", "Contact Us", and "About" (with a dropdown arrow). On the right side of the menu is a "Log In" button with a computer monitor icon. The main content area features a large green background with a bright sunburst effect. The text "Data Management Planning Tool" is prominently displayed in white. Below this, a subtitle reads: "Create, review, and share data management plans that meet institutional and funder requirements." A dark grey button with the text "Get Started" is positioned to the right of the subtitle. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with three sections: "PUBLIC DMPs" with a computer monitor icon, "DMPTOOL NEWS" with a "NEWS" icon, and "DMPTOOL HELP" with a question mark icon.



# DATA SHARING OBSTACLES

- Time and effort to make data shareable
- Perceived risks from loss of control of the data
- Data contain sensitive information
- Data ownership may be unclear or problematic
- Lack of incentives for sharing data

# DATA SHARING OBSTACLES

What your research supposedly looks like:

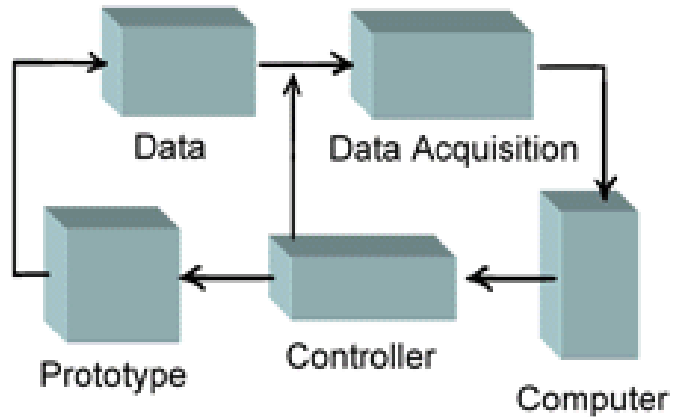


Figure 1. Experimental Diagram

What your research *actually* looks like:

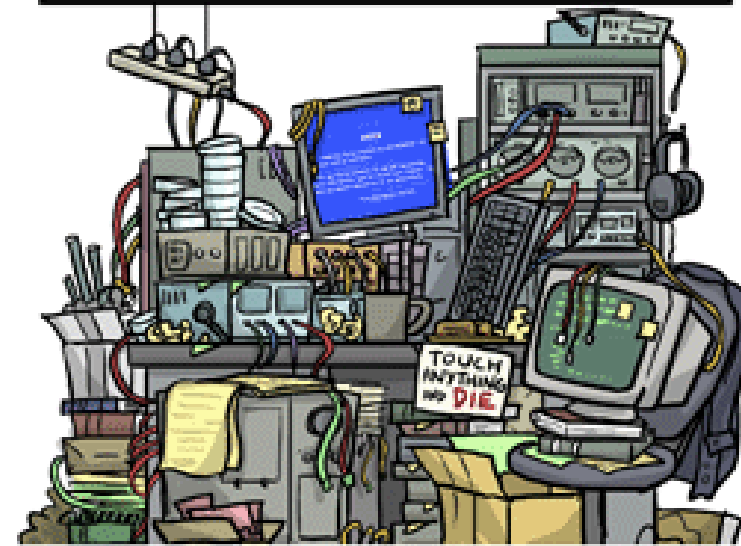


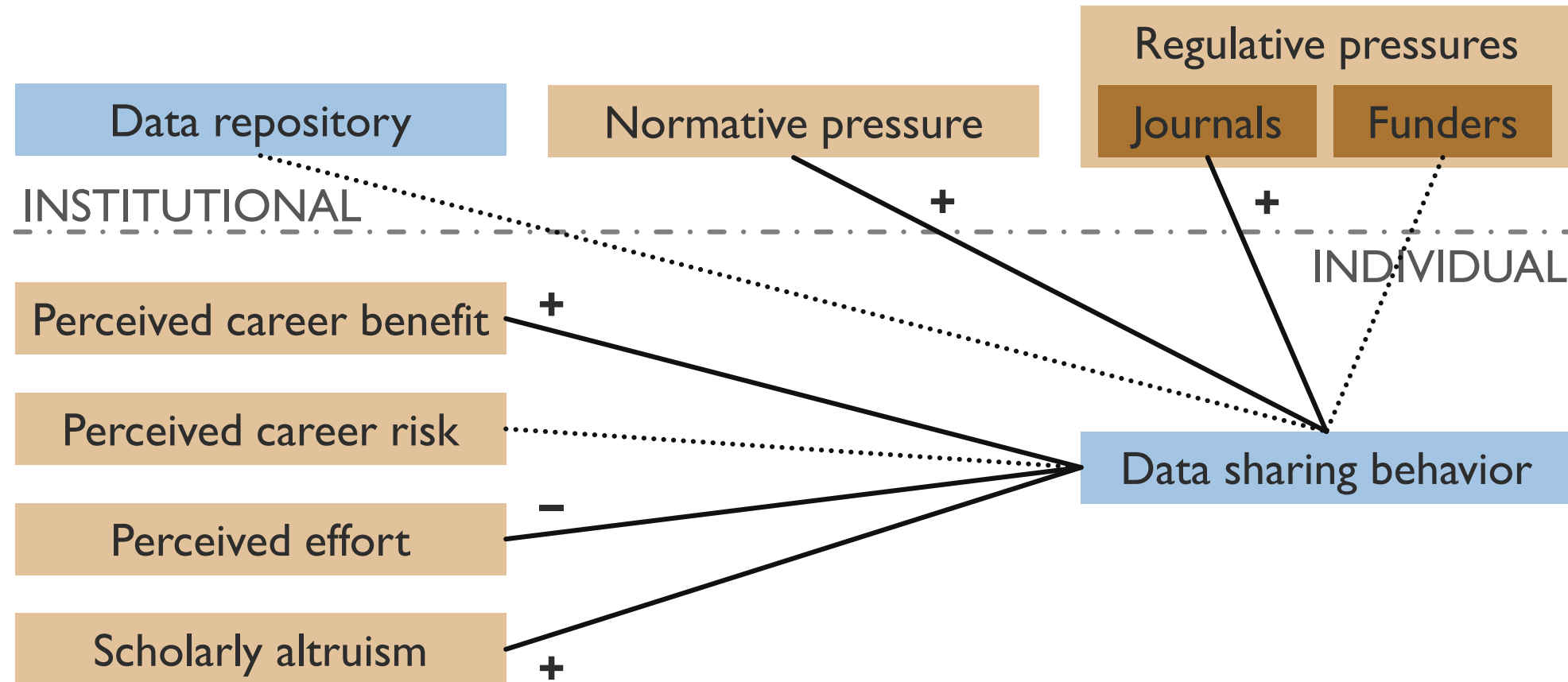
Figure 2. Experimental Mess

WWW.PHDCOMICS.COM JORGE CHAM © 2008

Cham, J. (2008). Research diagram/research reality. *Piled Higher and Deeper*. Retrieved from <http://www.phdcomics.com/comics/archive.php?comicid=961>



# DATA SHARING FACTORS



# THE TRUSTED REPOSITORY

A trusted digital repository is one whose mission is to provide **reliable long-term access** to managed digital resources to its designated community, **now and in the future.**

RLG/OCLC Working Group on Digital Archive Attributes. (2002). *Trusted digital repositories: Attributes and responsibilities* (An RLG-OCLC Report). Mountain View, CA: Research Libraries Group.  
Retrieved from <http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/past/rlg/trustedrep/repositories.pdf>

# THE TRUSTED REPOSITORY

- ➔ Accept responsibility for the long-term maintenance of resources
- ➔ Have an organizational system that supports both the long-term viability of the repository and its contents
- ➔ Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and sustainability
- ➔ Design its system in accordance with commonly accepted conventions and standards

# THE TRUSTED REPOSITORY

- Establish methodologies for system evaluation that meet community expectations for trustworthiness
- Be depended on to carry out its long-term responsibilities to depositors and users
- Have policies, practices, and performance that can be audited and measured

# STANDARDS OF TRUST



**Data Seal of Approval (DSA)**



Data Asset Framework



DIN 31644: Criteria for Trustworthy Digital Archives

DRAMBORA

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**ISO 16363: Audit and Certification of Trustworthy Digital Repositories**



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Repository Audit and Certification DSA-WDS Partnership Working Group

## DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: CRITERIA

- ✓ The research data can be found on the **Internet**
- ✓ The research data are **accessible**, while taking into account relevant legislation with regard to personal information and intellectual property of the data
- ✓ The research data are available in a **usable format**
- ✓ The research data are **reliable**
- ✓ The research data are **citable**



# DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: STATEMENTS OF COMPLIANCE

<b>0 = N/A</b>	Not applicable
<b>1 = No</b>	We have not considered this yet
<b>2 = Theoretical</b>	We have a theoretical concept
<b>3 = In Progress</b>	We are in the implementation phase
<b>4 = Implemented</b>	This guideline has been fully implemented for the needs of our repository

**Data Producer**

**Data Repository**

**Data Consumer**

# DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: GUIDELINES

## Data Producer

1. The data producer deposits the data in a repository with **sufficient information** to assess the quality of the data and compliance with disciplinary and ethical norms. (3)
2. The data producer provides the data in **formats recommended** by the data repository. (3)
3. The data producer provides the data together with the **metadata** requested by the data repository. (4)



# DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: GUIDELINES

## Data Repository

4. The data repository has an **explicit mission** in the area of digital archiving and promulgates it. (4)
5. The data repository uses due diligence to ensure **compliance with legal regulations and contracts** including, when applicable, regulations governing the protection of human subjects. (4)
6. The data repository applies **documented processes and procedures** for managing data storage. (4)

# DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: GUIDELINES

## Data Repository

7. The data repository has a **plan for long-term preservation** of its digital assets. (3)
8. Archiving takes place according to **explicit work flows** across the data life cycle. (3)
9. The data repository assumes responsibility from the data producers for **access and availability of digital objects**. (4)

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## Data Repository

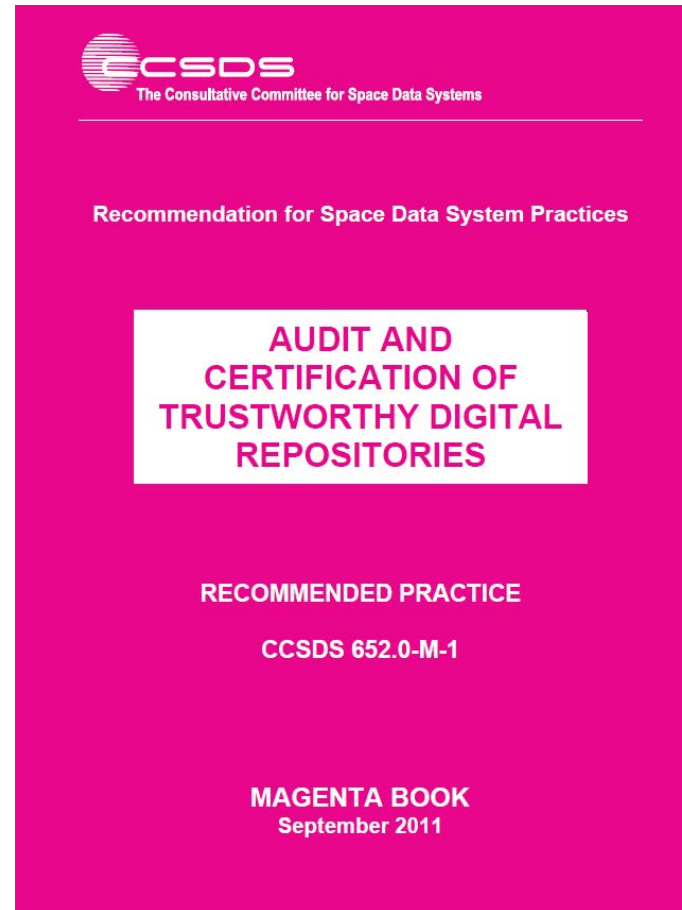
10. The data repository enables users to utilize the data and refer to them in a persistent way. (3)
11. The data repository ensures the integrity of the digital objects and metadata. (3)
12. The data repository ensures the authenticity of the digital objects and the metadata. (3)
13. The technical infrastructure explicitly supports the tasks and functions described in internationally accepted archival standards like OAIS. (3)

# DATA SEAL OF APPROVAL: GUIDELINES

## Data Consumer

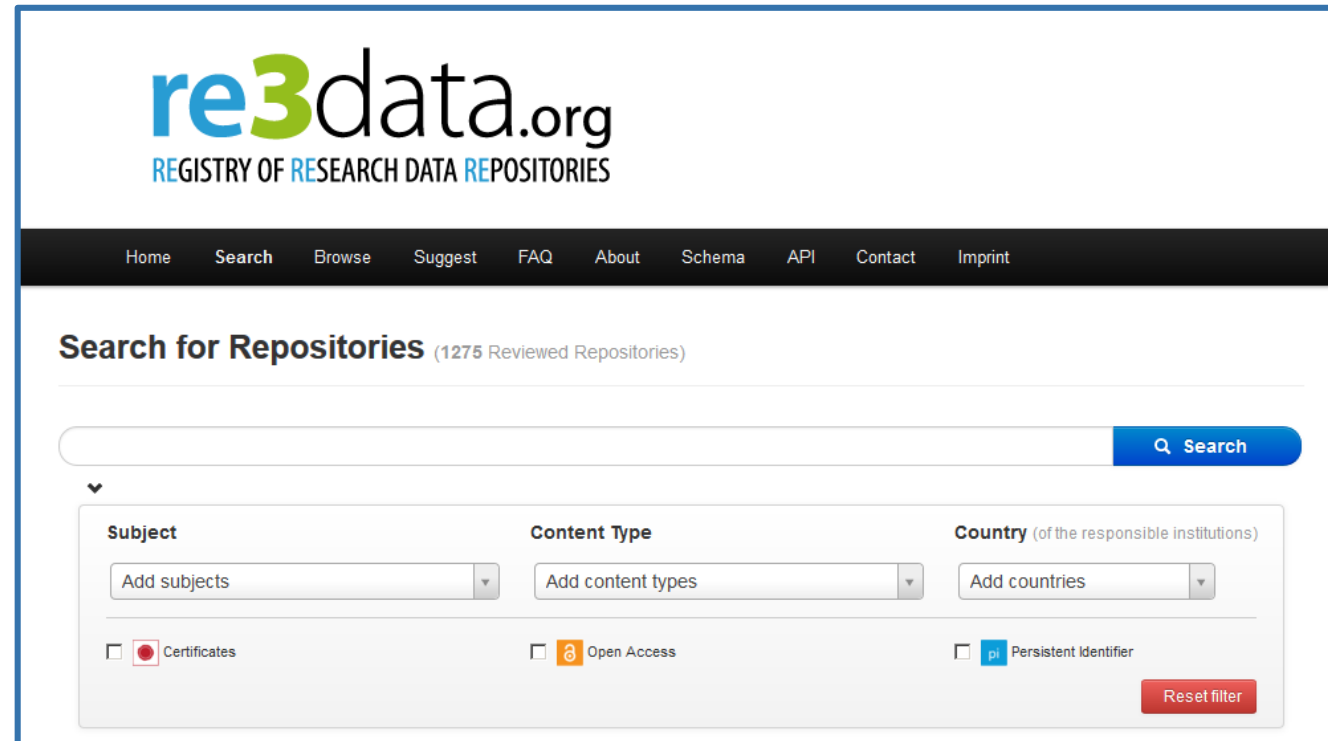
14. The data consumer complies with **access regulations** set by the data repository. (4)
15. The data consumer **conforms to and agrees with any codes of conduct** that are generally accepted in the relevant sector for the exchange and proper use of knowledge and information. (4)
16. The data consumer **respects the applicable licenses** of the data repository regarding the use of the data. (4)

# ISO 16363: AUDIT AND CERTIFICATION OF TRUSTWORTHY DIGITAL REPOSITORIES



# FINDING A TRUSTWORTHY REPOSITORY

<http://www.re3data.org/>



The screenshot displays the re3data.org website interface. At the top, the logo "re3data.org" is shown in blue and green, with the tagline "REGISTRY OF RESEARCH DATA REPOSITORIES" below it. A navigation bar contains links for Home, Search, Browse, Suggest, FAQ, About, Schema, API, Contact, and Imprint. The main section is titled "Search for Repositories (1275 Reviewed Repositories)". Below this is a search input field with a blue "Search" button. A filter section is visible, featuring three dropdown menus for "Subject", "Content Type", and "Country (of the responsible institutions)". Below these are three checkboxes: "Certificates" (with a red circle icon), "Open Access" (with an orange open lock icon), and "Persistent Identifier" (with a blue 'pi' icon). A red "Reset filter" button is located at the bottom right of the filter section.



# FINDING A TRUSTWORTHY REPOSITORY

Using re3data.org, identify a trustworthy data repository:

1. Is the repository reputable?
2. Will it take the data you want to deposit?
3. Will it be safe in legal terms?
4. Will the repository sustain the data value?
5. Will it support analysis and track data usage?
6. *What other criteria are important for your data?*

# THE DATAVERSE PROJECT

<http://dataverse.org>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Dataverse Project. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for "Dataverse Project", "About", "Community", "Best Practices", "Software", and "Support". The main heading reads "The Dataverse Project" with a logo consisting of three connected circles. Below this, a tagline states "Dedicated to sharing, archiving and citing research data." Three primary actions are highlighted with icons: "Add Data" (a green plus sign), "Find Data" (a magnifying glass), and "Get Recognition" (three horizontal bars). At the bottom, a section titled "Dataverse Repositories" provides information on how to join the community, followed by four repository cards: Harvard Dataverse, Odum Institute Dataverse, DANS - Dutch Dataverse, and Fudan University Dataverse.





# THE DATAVERSE PROJECT

- Developed at Harvard University's Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS)
- Open source web application for publishing, citing, analyzing, and preserving research data



# THE DATAVERSE PROJECT

- Data sharing and archiving with **control and recognition** for data producers
- Rich **data support** for certain file formats
- Supports data management **standards and best practices**
- Linked with the **Open Journal Systems** publishing platform



## OTHER CURATION TOOLS



### **Open Science Framework** ▪ <https://osf.io>

Single online portal for research project management with add-ons to connect to external tools for storage, security, and citation



### **Archivematica** ▪ <https://www.archivematica.org>

Software tool that supports data processing for archival ingest in compliance with ISO-OAIS functional model



### **DataTags** (beta) ▪ <http://datatags.org>

Prototype tool for supporting compliance with laws and contractual agreements that govern sensitive data sharing

## OTHER CURATION TOOLS



**CDART** ▪ <https://www2.csc.unc.edu/home/cdart>

Carolina Data Acquisition and Reporting Tool. Research data management system for clinical research data that supports clinical trials, patient registries, and observation studies



**WC3 PROV** ▪ <http://www.w3.org/TR/prov-overview/>

Data model for interoperable exchange of provenance information



**Data Carpentry** ▪ <http://datacarpentry.org>

Spin-off of Software Carpentry for teaching basic concepts, skills, and tools for working with data

# QUESTIONS?

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