



Writing a good Data Management Plan (DMP): A workshop

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Session plan

RDM concepts
and terms

15:00 [1]

Data manage-
ment planning
+ Task 1

30:00 [2]

Demo of
DMPonline tool

15:00 [3]

Task 2:
Try writing
a DMP

30:00 [4]

Part one:

RDM CONCEPTS AND TERMINOLOGY

RDM helps to preserve and protect the data behind scientific (research) discoveries and claims

RDM is a
quality issue



RDM leads to increased transparency of the research process

Research data

Code

Methods

Documentation



This leads to a more robust scholarly record

RDM makes it easier to verify research and reproduce findings



RDM and sharing
(anonymised) research
data can lead to making
more progress as
a research community
collectively



Common types of research data

Survey data

Recordings

Text documents

Tabular data

Photographs

Image data

Big, new, novel or voluminous data

Scientific measurements

MRI data in BIDS format

NVivo data

International macrodata

Census data

Code / scripts

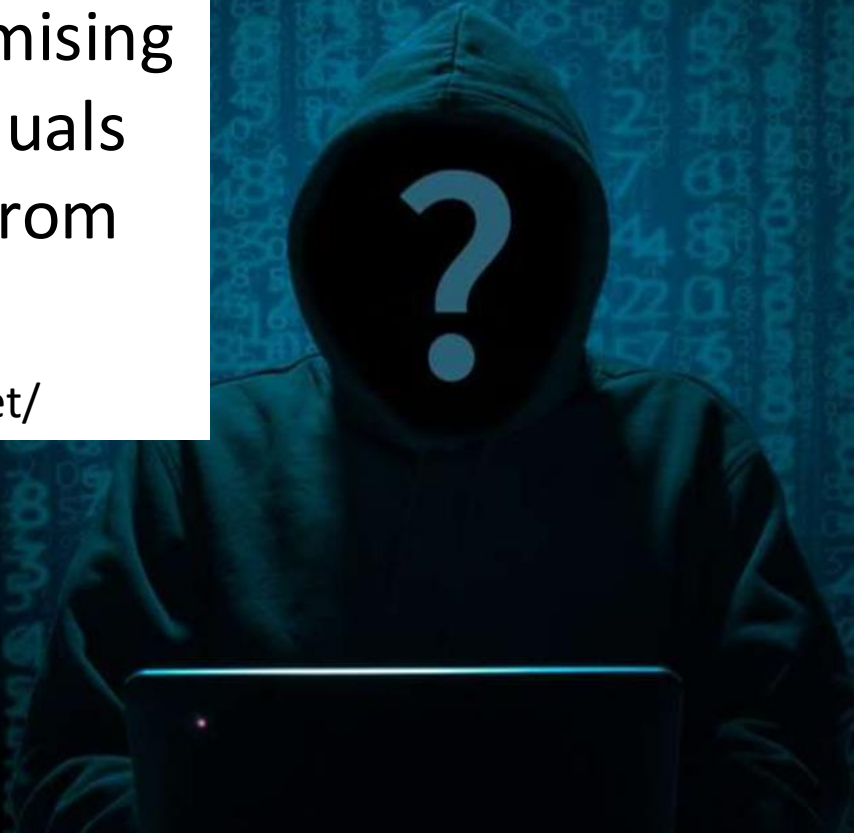
Project web site

A crowd of people is gathered in a dark room, looking towards a glowing blue sign that reads "TERMINOLOGY". The sign is illuminated with a bright blue light, and the word is written in a white, blocky font. The room is dimly lit, with red vertical light strips on the walls and a blue glow from the sign. The crowd is silhouetted against the light, and the overall atmosphere is mysterious and futuristic.

TERMINOLOGY

Anonymisation:
the art, or craft, of
lowering or minimising
the risk of individuals
being identified from
data

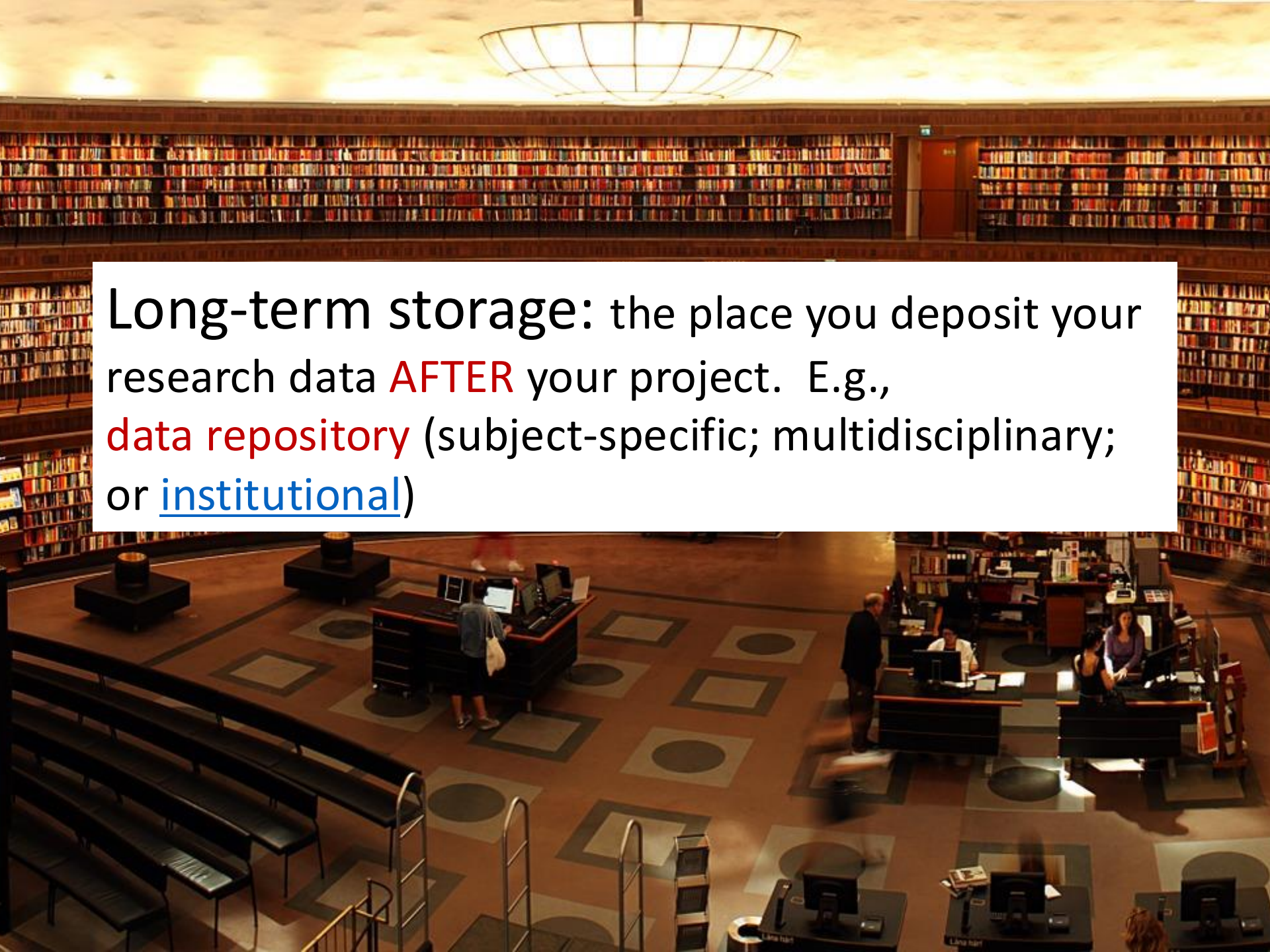
Source: <https://ukanon.net/>




Research on re-identification:
<https://cpg.doc.ic.ac.uk/individual-risk>

Short-term storage: the place you keep your research data DURING your project. E.g., OneDrive for Business or Shared Research Storage (SRS)



A large, multi-level library with wooden bookshelves and a central study area with computer workstations. The library has a high ceiling with a large, circular, grid-patterned light fixture. The bookshelves are filled with books, and the study area has several computer workstations with people working. The floor has a pattern of squares and circles. There are also some black tables and chairs in the foreground.

Long-term storage: the place you deposit your research data **AFTER** your project. E.g., **data repository** (subject-specific; multidisciplinary; or institutional)


A perspective view of a server room aisle. The floor is covered in blue perforated tiles. The walls are lined with server racks, and the lighting is a deep blue, creating a futuristic and high-tech atmosphere. The perspective leads the eye down the center of the aisle towards the vanishing point.

Digital preservation:
the series of managed activities
necessary to ensure continued
access to digital materials for as long
as necessary

Data sharing has two meanings:

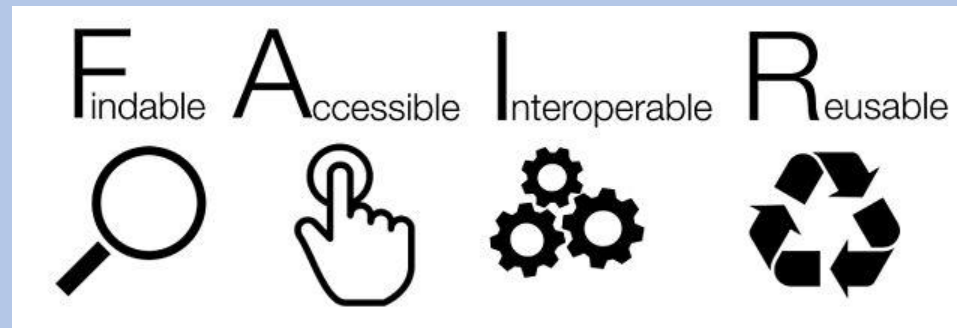
1. Post-research: sharing by publishing research data in a data repository
2. During research: sharing data with others





Data sharing agreement: a legal agreement between two organisations for sharing personal data. Read *Data sharing code of practice* from ICO. Seek legal advice.

F.A.I.R. data is ...



The aim is to create **F.A.I.R. data**
as opposed to unFAIR data

Part two:

DATA

MANAGEMENT

PLANNING

UKRI COMMON PRINCIPLES
ON DATA POLICY

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6.00



1. Publicly-funded research data are a public good, produced in the public interest




2. Publicly-funded research data should be openly available to the maximum extent possible




Plan to keep
your sensitive
data safe



A blue recycling bin with a white recycling symbol on the side. The bin is shown from a three-quarter perspective, casting a soft shadow on the white background. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the bin, containing the text.

Plan to maximise the
re-use potential of
your data



Plan to preserve
your data for the
long term

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Structure of a DMP

Description of project

Detailed description of data

Data documentation

Sensitivity of data

Short-term storage of data

Long-term storage of data

Describe research data in a table

Data created or collected	Data type	Data format	Volume or duration	Planned storage or access
Raw ethnographic field notes	Notebooks	Paper	n/a	No shared access
Photographs	Digital images	JPEG	100 photographs * 4 Mb each = ca. 400 Mb	OneDrive for Business
Interviews	Sound recordings	MP3	20 interviews, ca. 30 minutes each	Destroyed after transcription
Transcriptions	Document	Word	20 documents, 5 Mb each. Total: approx. 100 Mb	Anonymised transcripts to be published in the Durham research data repository
Magma flows	X-ray images	Tiff	50 Tb storage per year for five years = 250 Tb total storage	Shared Research Storage

Example row in table

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Task one:

**DESCRIBE YOUR
RESEARCH DATA IN A
TABLE**

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Documentation of data

README file

Data processing steps

Code / software

Levels of metadata

Metadata standards

Sensitivity of data (from least to most sensitive)

Non-personal data (least sensitive)

Anonymised data

Pseudonymised data

Personal data

Special categories of personal data:

race	genetic data
ethnic origin	biometric data
political opinions	health data
religious or philosophical beliefs	sex life
trade union membership	sexual orientation

Secret data (most sensitive)

Short-term storage options

OneDrive for Business	Personal Research Storage	Shared Research Storage
1 TB encrypted cloud storage	1 TB storage on site (not encrypted)	Intended for funded research groups.
Easy to share with external collaborators	Complicated to share with external collaborators	Complicated to share with external collaborators
Automatic replication	Storage tier: Silver 3 Performance level: Silver Protection level: 3	Different storage tiers available
Managed with file explorer	Managed with CIS Storage Manager	Managed with CIS Storage Manager

Long-term storage options

Subject-specific repository	Multi-disciplinary repository	University data repository
The best option if you can find a suitable repository.	Zenodo Open Science Framework	collections.durham.ac.uk
Search for a repository using: FAIRsharing website	Dryad Mendeley	Personalised support for all research-active staff and students
e.g., ReShare for economic and social datasets	figshare	700 GB storage

[Guidance on choosing a repository.](#)

Exceptions to sharing

Ethical reasons

Legal reasons

Commercial reasons



Do's and don'ts of writing a good DMP

DO	DON'T
Include as much detail as possible about your plans. Name specific tools / software you will use.	Assume your DMP reviewer knows what you mean. Explain what you mean in detail.
Use a DMP template.	Invent a new format for a DMP.
Describe all the research data you will create, preferably in a table.	Confuse research data with other research outputs. Focus on research data only.
Ensure all parts of your DMP work together coherently.	Contradict yourself. Skim your draft DMP in order to eliminate contradictions.
Try to answer all questions in your DMP template.	Be afraid to ask for help. This will exist both within institutions, and via national / European support organisations

Part three:

DEMONSTRATION OF DMPonline



1. Choose funder template

Public DMPs

Public DMPs are plans created using funder guidelines.

2. Write detailed plan

3. Share plan

Project Title

Measuring understanding of biological data models.	University of Manchester Generic Template	University of Manchester	Yo Yehudi	
Charters for Better Work Better Lives: An Indian Partner Network	University of Manchester Generic Template	University of Manchester	Wendy Olsen	
Pentoxifylline for sepsis in preterm infants	Data management ZonMw-template 2019	Other	sinno simons	
Identifying Mechanisms of Failure of Cartilage Repair Surgery	University of Manchester Generic Template	University of Manchester	Gwenllian Tawy	
Simulating tourism water consumption with stakeholders (SIMTWIST)	Data Management Plan NWO (English)	Wageningen University and Research Centre (Netherlands)	Bas Amelung	

Business for Peace: Conflict Prevention and the Private Sector in South and Central Asia

Project Details

Plan overview

Write Plan

Share

Download

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16/16 answered

Data Summary (1 / 1)

Data Collection (1 / 1)

Short-term Data Storage (2 / 2)

Guidance

3. How will the data be stored in the short term?

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Data collected by commissioned projects will be stored in secure locations - paper datasets will be stored in locked filing cabinets in secure offices, and electronic data on encrypted harddrives. Electronic data will also be backed up to Durham University's GDPR-compliant Box cloud.

Save

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Guidance

Comments

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Storage & security

Please familiarise yourself with the University's [information security](#) web pages. In particular you should become familiar with Durham's [Information Security Classification and Handling Standard](#).

If you are planning to use **Shared Research Storage (SRS)**, please include an estimate for research data storage costs in your grant



- Writing a good DMP
- Durham data management policy

My Dashboard

The table below lists the plans that you have created, and that have been shared with you.

Project title	Template
My DMP using ESRC template	ESRC Template

Create plan

Durham University's Plans

The table below lists the plans that users at your organisation have created and shared within your organisation. This allows you to download a PDF and view their plans as sample research data.

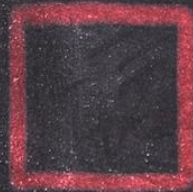
 Search

Project title	Template	Owner	Updated
Writing a good data management plan (...)	ESRC Template	nicholas.syrotiuk@durham.ac.uk	09-01-2023
'Wealthmaxxing your way out of loneli...	DU Standard RDM Template: Version one	fqmf28@durham.ac.uk	31-01-2022
Understanding Popular Xenophobia in C...	AHRC Data Management Plan	jonathan.saha@durham.ac.uk	18-08-2022
Treaty Scrutiny: The Role of Parliame...	ESRC Template	holger.hestermeyer@kcl.ac.uk	02-11-2022
Transparency and Judicial Review: An ...	DU Standard RDM Template: Version one	elizabeth.a.o'loughlin@durham.ac.uk	11-10-2022
Translation and (Counter)Espionage: A...	AHRC Data Management Plan	sergey.tyulenev@durham.ac.uk	07-03-2022

Durham examples

D M P

R E V I E W



Live Demonstration



Part four: **Try writing a**

DATA

MANAGEMENT

PLAN (Task 2)

Plan to make data work for you

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dmponline.dcc.ac.uk



Sign in

Create account

Forgot password?

Remember email

Sign in

- or -

Sign in with your institutional credentials

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).



59,972 Users



314 Organisations



65,212 Plans



89 Countries

Library Research Support: Open Research: Research Data Management

This guide is intended to provide advice and support on open access research, including guidance around Durham Research Online (DRO), open access publishing, research data management and related topics.

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SafePod: Secure Data Access

What do we mean by Research Data Management?

Our researchers create, collect and measure large amounts of research data every day, and some of this data is used to support our

https://libguides.durham.ac.uk/open_research/rdm

spirit of open scholarship, researchers are expected to demonstrate they are working transparently and reproducibly. Researcher

Durham Research Methods Café

Every other Wednesday of term
All PGR/PGT students and DU staff Welcome

Conversation topic: When things go wrong!

28th February 2024, 1100-1230

Discussing what to do when research doesn't go as planned or appears to be failing.

Free Coffee/Tea and pastries!

[Check out our Research Methods Café online](#) for methods-related chat/announcements, and online access to the Café Conversations.

Location:
First Floor, Arthur Holmes
Building: left of Calman
Learning Centre,
upstairs, turn left.
Door signed 'DRMC'.



Co-hosts:

- Advanced Research Computing (ARC),
- Durham Research Methods Centre (DRMC)
- Research Support, Durham Library



Thank you

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Writing a good Data Management Plan (DMP)


From 07/11/2024 09:30 to 07/11/2024 11:00

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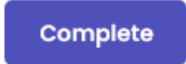


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