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A Sharp Rise in Retractions Prompts Calls for Reform

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Over half of psychology studies fail reproducibility test

Largest replication study to date casts doubt on many published positive results.

Monya Baker

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Don't trust everything you read in the psychology literature. In fact, two thirds of it should probably be distrusted.

In the biggest project of its kind, Brian Nosek, a social psychologist and head of the Center for Open Science in Charlottesville, Virginia, and 269 co-authors repeated work reported in 98 original papers from three psychology journals, to see if they independently came up with the same results.

The studies they took on ranged from whether expressing insecurities perpetuates them to



The reproducibility crisis in science

A statistical counterattack

More people have more access to data than ever before. But a comparative lack of analytical skills has resulted in scientific findings that are neither replicable nor reproducible. It is time to invest in statistics education, says **Roger Peng**

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Reproducibility in ecological research

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What is reproducibility?

Reproducibility: same data, same result

Replication: new data, same result

Peng, R. D. (2011). Reproducible research in computational science. Science, 334(6060), 1226–1227. doi:10.1126/science.1213847





Practical session

A reproducible analysis!

- 1. Script where possible
- 2. Script everything
- 3. Document your code
- 4. Document your workflow
- 5. Use version control





Practical session

A reproducible analysis!

- 1. Script where possible R
- 2. Script everything data import, plots...
- 3. Document your code RMarkdown
- 4. Document your workflow RProject
- 5. Use version control git





Requirements

RStudio – www.rstudio.com

• git (will be configured in session)







