

Research Project Workshop 02: Research Data Management (RDM) Overview

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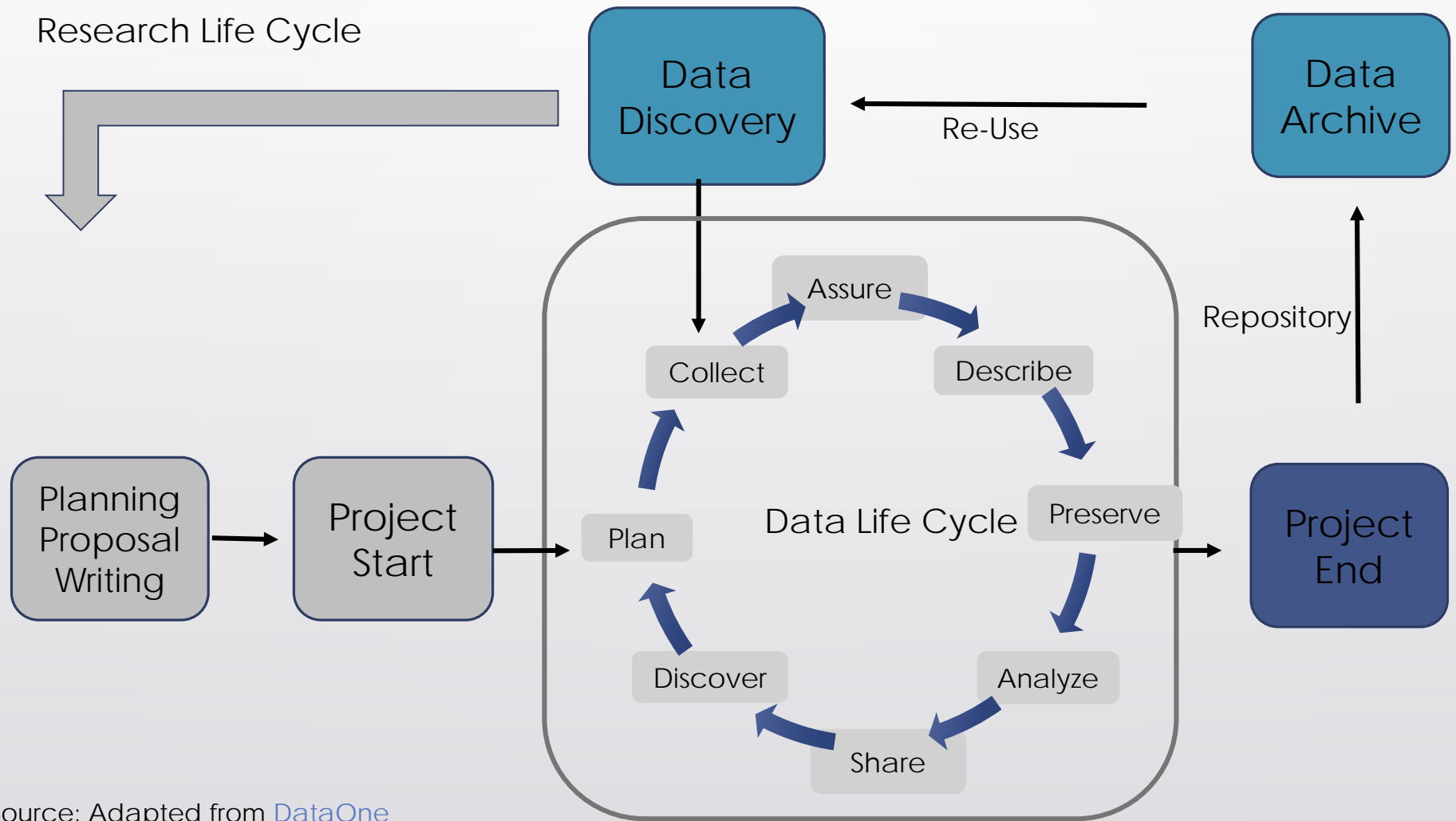
agenda & learning outcomes

- 1 Understand the elements of the data life cycle
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why is data tlc important?



research/data life cycles

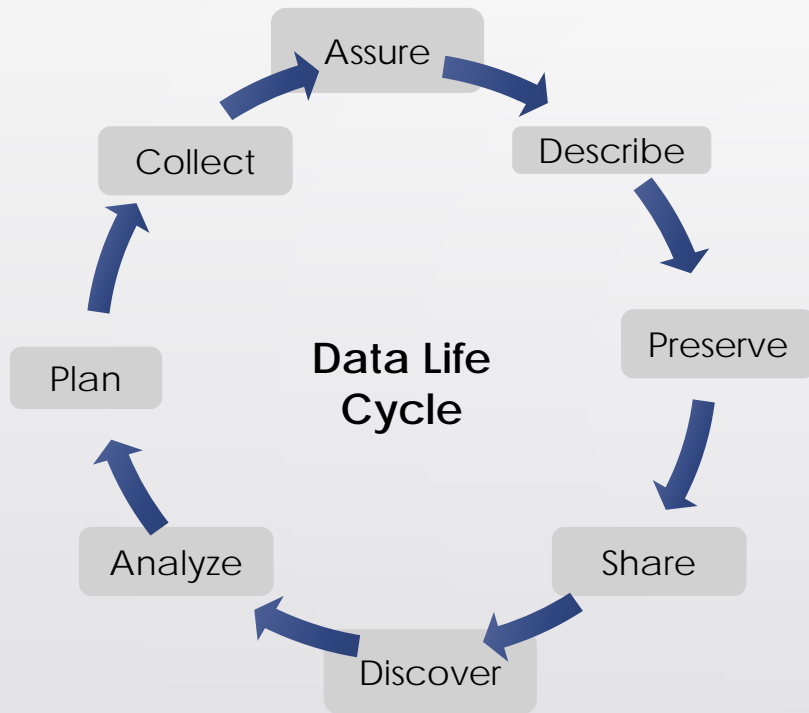


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how about your
data-related activities?

before the data

data management plan (dmp)



- ☐ Collection: ?
- ☐ Assurance: ?
- ☐ Description: ?
- ☐ Preservation: ?
- ☐ Sharing/Discovery: ?
- ☐ Analysis: ?

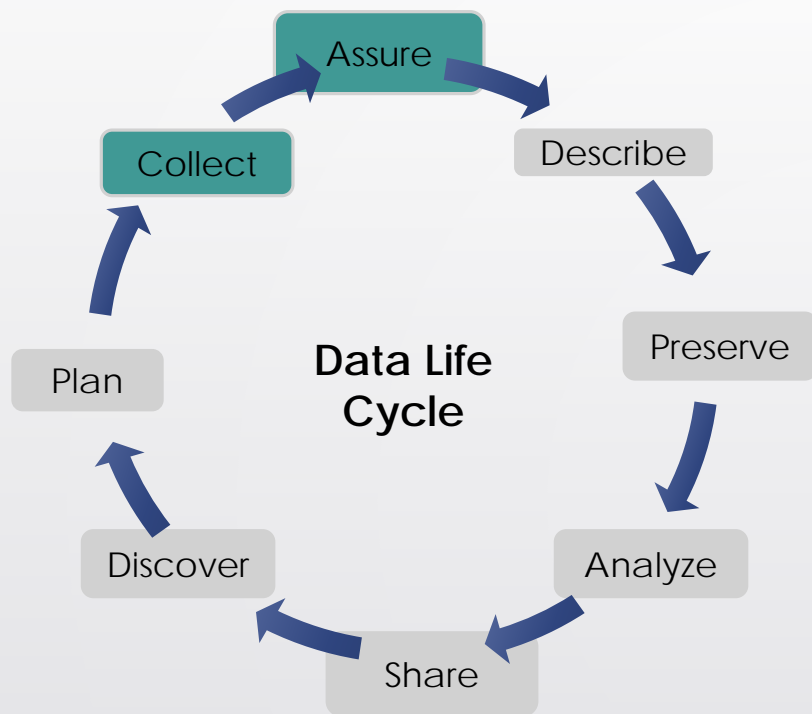
postdocs when surveyed asking “to what extent have you **dealt with** NIH data sharing regulations or NSF **data management plans**?”



“Every minute you spend in planning saves 10 minutes in execution; this gives you a 1,000 percent return on energy!”

(Brian Tracy)

data collection



- Collection:
Where is the raw data?
Format and volume?
Methods?
Variables and units?
- Assurance:
Validation or standards
(instruments/data)
Missing values?

data standards in practice

Data standards are the rules by which data are described and recorded. In order to share, exchange, and understand data, we must standardize the format as well as the meaning.

different definitions for 'data standards'

"Standards are documented agreements containing technical specifications or other precise criteria to be used consistently as rules, guidelines, or definitions of characteristics to ensure that materials, products, processes, and services are fit for their purpose."

(International Organization for Standardization (ISO))

ways to standardize I

- ❑ Data content standards
 - ❑ Data content standards are a standardized, pre-defined terminology that is used consistently throughout a dataset.
 - ❑ For example, when describing a variable, use the same terminology throughout, such as male/female for gender (as opposed to M/F, men/women, etc.)

ways to standardize II

❑ Data dictionary

❑ The purpose of a data dictionary is to ensure consistent terminology throughout a dataset. It contains a list of descriptive data types that are being collected.

❑ Example:

Data Dictionary - Canadian Men's Risk				
Name	Definition	Data Type	Format	Values
Counter	identification number for each respondent	identifier	integer	[1, 390]
Diagnosis		categorical	string	Cardiovascular Diabetes type 2 Prostate Cancer Osteoporosis Erectile Dysfunction Low Testosterone None
Sex	Sex of respondent	categorical	string	male
Age	Age range of respondent [Q1]	categorical	string	<45 45-64 >=65

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ways to standardize III

- ❑ Data modeling

- ❑ Data modeling is the a process that is typically performed before data collection. It involves identifying the user needs from the data set and determining the relationships among the data, and how the data should be best captured.

ways to standardize IV

- Ontology

- A controlled vocabulary that defines the terms in a given domain or knowledgebase, and the relationships between those terms.

- *Example:*

- Gene Ontology

- Mammalian Phenotype Ontology

ways to standardize V

❑ Metadata

- ❑ Metadata is often referred to as “data about data”. Metadata is intended to describe other data, in order to clarify the meaning of a dataset. Metadata consists of both indexing terms (i.e., terms that can be used for search and retrieval of the data) and descriptive attributes.

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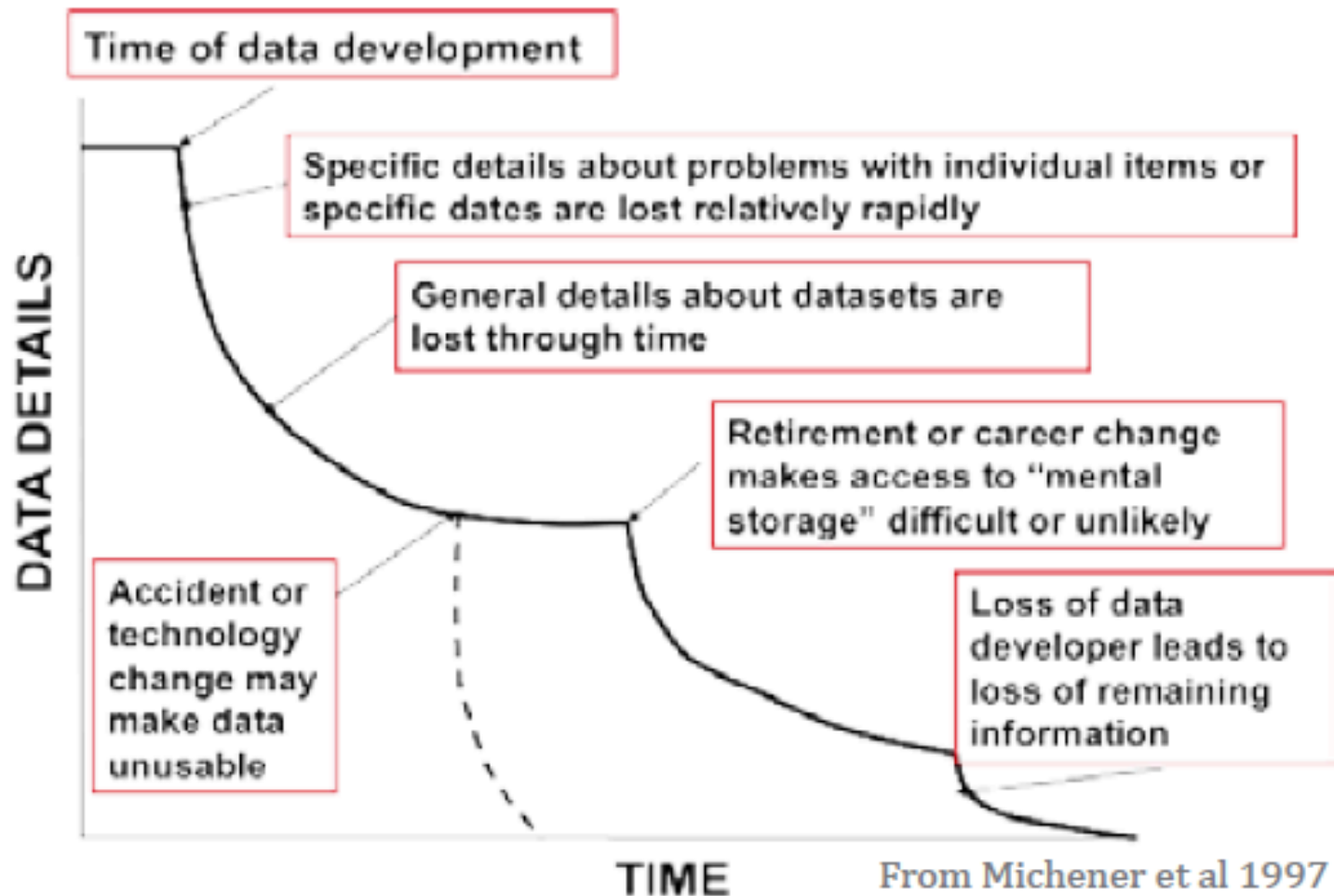
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after the data

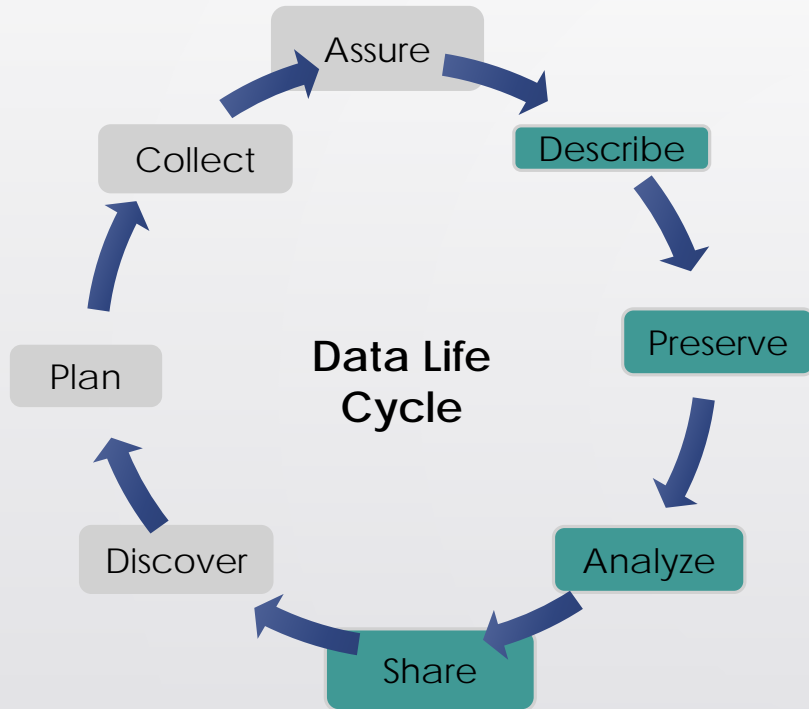


Information entropy



"Your closest collaborator is you six months ago, but you don't reply to emails..."

data management plan (dmp)



- ❑ Description:
 - ❑ Descriptive details about the project & experiment
- ❑ Preservation:
 - Back up schedule?
 - 3 Back up locations?
 - How long to save it?
- ❑ Sharing:
 - Public repository?
 - Sensitive data?
- ❑ Analysis:
 - Tools (software)?

how do you describe your data?

Why are you doing this study?

Who is involved?

Where was the data collected?

What were the data collection processes

What do the values in the table mean?

What software is needed to view the data?

How should the data be cited?



README.txt

README.md

stable file formats



this	not that
.CSV	.xls
.txt .html .rtf	.doc
.tiff .png	.jpg .gif

how will you store & backup the data?

Computer/Laptop

Network Drive

External Devices

Remote/Cloud

Physical Storage (e.g. notebooks)

how will you store & backup the data?

Storage option	The good	The bad
Computer/Laptop	Convenient for active data	Easily lost/stolen Fail Manual backup
Network	Automatic backup and security	Access Capacity limitations
External devices	Low cost Portable Easy to use	Easily lost/stolen Fail
Remote/Cloud	Global access Collaboration	Security/privacy limitations
Physical storage (e.g. notebooks)	Convenient Tangible	Manual backup

how long will you keep the data?



preservation & sharing

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'FAIR' data principles

❑ What is 'FAIR' data?

FINDABLE: persistent identifier, registered, rich metadata

ACCESSIBLE: retrievable by ID, metadata accessible

INTEROPERABLE: uses shared language, vocab is 'FAIR', references other data




RE-USABLE: accurate attributes, released with data use license, standards are met, provenance available

❑ Don't forget about 'FAIR' metadata!

❑ Keep in mind for how you might craft a better plan for your managing your data...

data plans - why should we care?

incentives

-  Maximize your research dollars by sharing and re-using data
-  Maximize your research impact by sharing data
-  Treat yo'self: general organization

funding agency mandates

❑ NIH

- ❑ Data sharing plan for new proposals
- ❑ Specific institutes and Centers have specific data sharing requirements



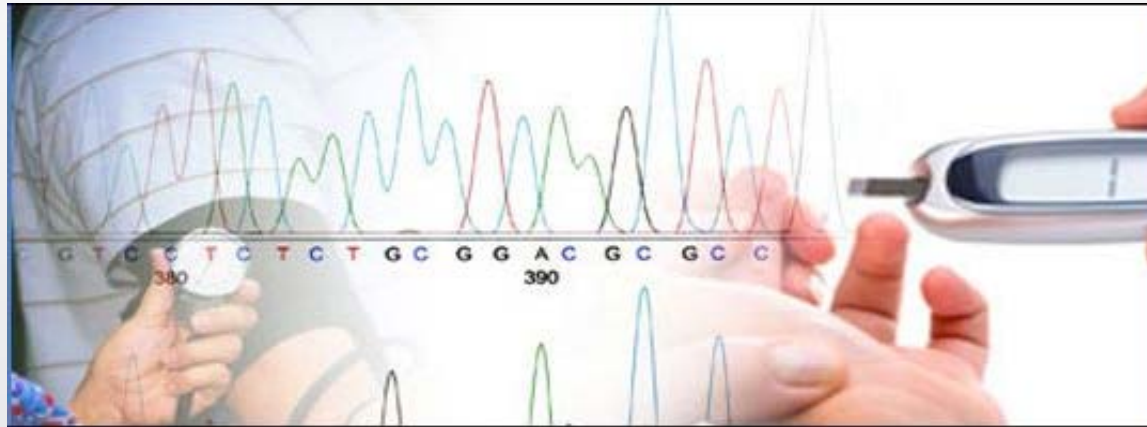
❑ NSF

- ❑ Requires a maximum 2 page data plan for data management and sharing of the products of research for all proposals



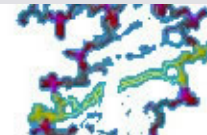
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□ NIH/Genomic data



NCBI
GenBank

dbSNP
Short Genetic Variations



journal reporting requirements



Reporting requirements vary



Methods section is meant to contain enough information so someone could independently replicate your experiment



Some journals are starting to increase their standards

hang your checklist!

1. A data management plan has been created

☐

2. Data and files are organised logically

☐

3. Consistent wording and labels have been used

☐

4. Object and methodological metadata have been recorded

☐

5. Files are in a durable, common format, where possible (e.g. CSV, not XLS)

☐

6. Data is stored in a safe location

☐

7. Back-ups have been made

☐

8. A retention period has been applied

☐

9. The owner of the data is clearly identified

☐

10. Ethics guidelines have been complied with

☐

11. A collection-level metadata record has been published to a relevant discovery portal

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12. An appropriate licence has been applied

☐

13. A DOI has been minted to allow citation of the dataset

☐

dmp tool




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PUBLIC DMPs

List of sample data management plans provided by DMPTool users.

- » UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF PHYSICIAN INTEGRATION WITHIN NURSING HOMES IN POST-ACUTE CARE OUTCOMES
- » A Political Ecology of Value: A Cohort-Based Ethnography of the Environmental Turn in Nicaraguan Urban Social Policy
- » A unified approach to preserving cultural software objects and their development histories

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DMPTOOL NEWS

Latest information about data management and the DMPTool.

- » Roadmap retrospective: 2016
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- » Finding our Roadmap rhythm
- » New template: DOD

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DMPTOOL HELP

Overview of how to use the tool, plus resources and guidance on data management.

- » Frequently Asked Questions
- » Create a DMP
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- » Data management guidance
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your turn...

recap

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key resources

- ❑ OHSU Big Data to Knowledge (BD2k) [Open Educational Resources \(OERs\)](#)
- ❑ OHSU Library [Data Webpage](#)
- ❑ OHSU RDM Librarian (1:1 consulting)
- ❑ OHSU Library Workshops: [Contact Us](#)

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