# FWO DMP Template - Flemish Standard Data Management Plan

# Version KU Leuven

Project supervisors (from application round 2018 onwards) and fellows (from application round 2020 onwards) will, upon being awarded their project or fellowship, be invited to develop their answers to the data management related questions into a DMP. The FWO expects a **completed DMP no later than 6 months after the official start date** of the project or fellowship. The DMP should not be submitted to FWO but to the research co-ordination office of the host institute; FWO may request the DMP in a random check.

At the end of the project, the **final version of the DMP** has to be added to the final report of the project; this should be submitted to FWO by the supervisor-spokesperson through FWO’s e-portal. This DMP may of course have been updated since its first version. The DMP is an element in the final evaluation of the project by the relevant expert panel. Both the DMP submitted within the first 6 months after the start date and the final DMP may use this template.

The DMP template used by the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) corresponds with the Flemish Standard Data Management Plan. This Flemish Standard DMP was developed by the Flemish Research Data Network (FRDN) Task Force DMP which comprises representatives of all Flemish funders and research institutions. This is a standardized DMP template based on the previous FWO template that contains the core requirements for data management planning. To increase understanding and facilitate completion of the DMP, a standardized **glossary** of definitions and abbreviations is available via the following [link](https://www.fwo.be/media/1024841/glossary-flemish-standard-data-management-plan.pdf).

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| 1. **General Project Information** | |
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| Contributor name(s) (+ ORCID) & roles | **Jon Verheyen – Researcher**  **Wim Vandenberg (https://orcid.org/0000-0002-5888-9100) – Supervisor**  **Peter Dedecker (https://orcid.org/0000-0002-1882-2075) – Co-supervisor** |
| Project number [[1]](#footnote-1) & title | 3E230893 |
| Funder(s) GrantID [[2]](#footnote-2) | 1S55225N |
| Affiliation(s) | **x** KU Leuven  ☐ Universiteit Antwerpen  ☐ Universiteit Gent  ☐ Universiteit Hasselt  ☐ Vrije Universiteit Brussel  ☐ Other:  ROR identifier KU Leuven: 05f950310 |
| Please provide a short project description | Fluorescence microscopy is a key technique in the life sciences that is increasingly required to do high-content imaging of optically large 3D samples. The current gold standard, confocal imaging, struggles to visualize such systems with reasonable throughput and detail. In this project, the applicant will further develop a unique microscope that offers very fast and scalable 3D imaging suitable for research and diagnostic use, by adding the simultaneous and quantitative imaging of many distinct labels via lifetime imaging and spectral multiplexing, and will also dramatically enhance its performance on thicker biological samples by introducing 2-photon excitation. The throughput will be further enhanced by the development of a groundbreaking and generic method that can accelerate the imaging of any optical microscopy method by a factor five or more. The developed performance will be showcased on two clinically relevant and image-intensive applications: in-tissue single-cell transcriptomics and the characterization of organoids to better understand therapy failure in glioblastoma patients. |

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| 1. **Research Data Summary** | |
| List and describe all datasets or research materials that you plan to generate/collect or reuse during your research project. For each dataset or data type (observational, experimental etc.), provide a short name & description (sufficient for yourself to know what data it is about), indicate whether the data are newly generated/collected or reused, digital or physical, also indicate the type of the data (the kind of content), its technical format (file extension), and an estimate of the upper limit of the volume of the data [[3]](#footnote-3).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | | | | *Only for digital data* | *Only for digital data* | *Only for digital data* | *Only for physical data* | | Dataset Name | Description | New or Reused | Digital or Physical | Digital Data Type | Digital Data Format | Digital Data Volume (MB, GB, TB) | Physical Volume | | Test images | Microscopy images generated while testing the microscope setup that will be developed. Typically discarded immediately after use. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | TIFF files | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA |  | | Characterization images | Microscopy images generated to characterize the microscope, used for publications. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | TIFF files | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA |  | | Images for applications | Microscopy images generated for research applications. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | TIFF filess | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA |  | | Experimental data | Data generated from lab experiments. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | Excel (.csv or .xlsx)  or text files (.docx or .txt) | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA |  | | Scripts for data processing | Scripts produced to process images and experimental data. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | Python (.py), R (.R), Igor (.ipf, .xop), or ImageJ (.ijm) | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA |  | | |
| *Guidance:*  *The data description forms the basis of your entire DMP, so make sure it is detailed and complete. It includes digital and physical data and encompasses the whole spectrum ranging from raw data to processed and analysed data including analysis scripts and code. Physical data are all materials that need proper management because they are valuable, difficult to replace and/or ethical issues are associated.* *Materials that are not considered data in an RDM context include your own manuscripts, theses and presentations; documentation is an integral part of your datasets and should described under documentation/metadata.*  [*RDM Guidance on data*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/data-standards) | |
| If you reuse existing data, please specify the source, preferably by using a persistent identifier (e.g. DOI, Handle, URL etc.) per dataset or data type. | / |
| Are there any ethical issues concerning the creation and/or use of the data  (e.g. experiments on humans or animals, dual use)? If so, refer to specific datasets or data types when appropriate and provide the relevant ethical approval number. | Yes, human subject data; provide SMEC or EC approval number:  Yes, animal data; provide ECD reference number:  Yes, dual use; provide approval number:  No  Additional information:  Images will be generated from samples of commercially available human and animal cell lines.  Further, in collaboration with other labs, images will also be generated on our microscope of human patient-derived organoids and of animal tissues. In these cases, the data will only be handled by members of those collaborating labs and not be stored on our side. |
| Will you process personaldata*[[4]](#footnote-4)*? If so, please refer to specific datasets or data types when appropriate and provide the KU Leuven or UZ Leuven privacy register number (G or S number). | Yes (provide PRET G-number or EC S-number below)  No  Additional information:  Any data that is generated from the patient-derived organoids will only be handled and processed by the collaborating labs. |
| Does your work have potential for commercial valorization (e.g. tech transfer, for example spin-offs, commercial exploitation, …)?  If so, please comment per dataset or data type where appropriate. | Yes  No  If yes, please comment:  More indirectly than directly. Any data that is generated using the microscope, can increase the valorization potential of the microscope itself. Several components of the foreseen instrument are based on completely new designs/techniques, and thus could be patentable and commercializable. The generated data (mainly the characterization images and images for applications) may serve as demonstration of the instrument’s capabilities. |
| Do existing 3rd party agreements restrict exploitation or dissemination of the data you (re)use (e.g. Material/Data transfer agreements, research collaboration agreements)?  If so, please explain to what data they relate and what restrictions are in place. | Yes  No  If yes, please explain: |
| Are there any other legal issues, such as intellectual property rights and ownership, to be managed related to the data you (re)use?  If so, please explain to what data they relate and which restrictions will be asserted. | Yes  No  If yes, please explain: |

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| 1. **Documentation and Metadata** | |
| Clearly describe what approach will be followed to capture the accompanying information necessary to keep **data understandable and usable**, for yourself and others, now and in the future (e.g. in terms of documentation levels and types required, procedures used, Electronic Lab Notebooks, README.txt files, Codebook.tsv etc. where this information is recorded).  [*RDM guidance on documentation and metadata*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/documentation-metadata)*.* | For images that are generated on our microscopes, we always include either a document or a screenshot of the imaging settings that were used and place it right at the same destination as the generated data (e.g., in the same folder).  Regarding scripts for data processing and experimental data, we always include a document (usually .docx) that explains the entire script/experiment. This document is always kept with the data. The document includes information on the protocol, date, name of researcher, etc… |
| Will a metadata standard be used to make it easier to **find and reuse the data**?  If so, please specify which metadata standard will be used. If not, please specify which metadata will be created to make the data easier to find and reuse.  *Repositories could ask to deliver metadata in a certain format, with specified ontologies and vocabularies, i.e. standard lists with unique identifiers.* | Yes  No  If yes, please specify (where appropriate per dataset or data type) which metadata standard will be used:  If no, please specify (where appropriate per dataset or data type) which metadata will be created:  Images taken with our microscopes (TIFF files) always contain a set of custom metadata. This metadata is created in our software Imager (Igor Pro). It contains all information required to find and organize data, as well as all information regarding the imaging settings (e.g., which camera, which exposure time, etc…). |

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| 1. **Data Storage & Back-up during the Research Project** | |
| Where will the data be stored?  *Consult the*[*interactive KU Leuven storage guide*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en)*to find the most suitable storage solution for your data.* | Shared network drive (J-drive)  Personal network drive (I-drive)  Teams  Sharepoint online  Sharepoint on-premis  Large Volume Storage  ManGO  Digital vault  Other:  Lab computers  Personal laptops  External hard drives  Scripts and experimental data in our lab are typically small files. These are stored on personal devices, and typically also on Teams.  Most of our data are images. These are stored temporarily on personal devices. Imaging data that is used for publication, or is important to store for any other reason, is then typically transferred to external hard drives (HDD). These hard drives are kept in the lab in a locked cabinet at all times, when not being used. |
| How will the data be backed up?  *What storage and backup procedures will be in place to prevent data loss?* | Standard back-up provided by KU Leuven ICTS for my storage solution  Personal back-ups I make (specify)  Other (specify)  Important data (e.g., data used for publications) will always be backed up on additional hard drives. There will always be two copies of these data. |
| Is there currently sufficient storage & backup capacity during the project? If yes, specify concisely. If no or insufficient storage or backup capacities are available, then explain how this will be taken care of. | Yes  No  We have approximately 15-20 empty hard drives (1 TB to 4TB each) available. This stock is regularly replenished.  If no, please specify: |
| How will you ensure that the data are securely stored and not accessed or modified by unauthorized persons?  *clearly describe the measures (in terms of physical security, network security, and security of computer systems and files) that will be taken to ensure that stored and transferred data are safe.*  [*Guidance on security for research data*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en) | The hard drives are always stored in a locked cabinet when not in use.  Regarding the data on personal computers/lab computers, these computers are always secured with a password. |
| What are the expected costs for data storage and backup during the research project? How will these costs be covered? | A large stock of hard drives is already available. If required, additional hard drives may be purchased from  the promotor’s ZAP starting grant or my personal bench fee. |

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| **5. Data Preservation after the end of the Research Project** | |
| Which data will be retained for at least five years (or longer, in agreement with other retention policies that are applicable) after the end of the project? In case some data cannot be preserved, clearly state the reasons for this  (e.g. legal or contractual restrictions, storage/budget issues, institutional policies...).  [*Guidance on data preservation*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en) | ​​ All data will be preserved for 10 years according to KU Leuven RDM policy  All data will be preserved for 25 years according to CTC recommendations for clinical trials with medicinal products for human use and for clinical experiments on humans  Certain data cannot be kept for 10 years (explain) |
| Where will these data be archived (stored and curated for the long-term)?  [*Dedicated data repositories*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/policy)*are often the best place to preserve your data. Data not suitable for preservation in a repository can be stored using a KU Leuven storage solution, consult the*[*interactive KU Leuven storage guide*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/data-sharing)*.* | KU Leuven RDR  Large Volume Storage (longterm for large volumes)  Shared network drive (J-drive)  Other (specifiy):  The hard drives will be stored long-term in our lab. |
| What are the expected costs for data preservation during the expected retention period? How will these costs be covered? | None, all offline |

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| **6. Data Sharing and Reuse** | |
| Will the data (or part of the data) be made available for reuse after/during the project?  Please explain per dataset or data type which data will be made available.  *Note that ‘available’ does not necessarily mean that the data set becomes openly available, conditions for access and use may apply. Availability in this question thus entails both open & restricted access. For more information:* [*https://wiki.surfnet.nl/display/standards/info-eu-repo/#infoeurepo-AccessRights*](https://wiki.surfnet.nl/display/standards/info-eu-repo/#infoeurepo-AccessRights) | Yes, as open data  Yes, as embargoed data (temporary restriction)  Yes, as restricted data (upon approval, or institutional access only)  No (closed access)  Other, please specify:  All data used for publications (can be all data types except for test data), will be published in online repositories (e.g. Zenodo) alongside publication of the papers. |
| If access is restricted, please specify who will be able to access the data and under what conditions. | / |
| Are there any factors that restrict or prevent the sharing of (some of) the data (e.g. as defined in an agreement with a 3rd party, legal restrictions)? Please explain per dataset or data type where appropriate. | Yes, privacy aspects  Yes, intellectual property rights  Yes, ethical aspects  Yes, aspects of dual use  Yes, other  No  If yes, please specify: |
| Where will the data be made available?  If already known, please provide a repository per dataset or data type. | KU Leuven RDR  Other data repository (specify)  Other (specify)  Zenodo for all data types (except test images) |
| When will the data be made available? | Upon publication of research results  Specific date (specify)  Other (specify) |
| Which data usage licenses are you going to provide? If none, please explain why.  *A data usage license indicates whether the data can be reused or not and under what conditions. If no licence is granted, the data are in a grey zone and cannot be legally reused. Do note that you may only release data under a licence chosen by yourself if it does not already fall under another licence that might prohibit that.*  *Check the*[*RDR guidance on licences*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/rdr/licenses)*for data and software sources code or consult the*[*License selector tool*](https://ufal.github.io/public-license-selector/)*to help you choose.* | CC-BY 4.0 (data)  Data Transfer Agreement (restricted data)  MIT licence (code)  GNU GPL-3.0 (code)  Other (specify) |
| Do you intend to add a PID/DOI/accession number to your dataset(s)? If already available, please provide it here.  *Indicate whether you intend to add a persistent and unique identifier in order to identify and retrieve the data.* | Yes, a PID will be added upon deposit in a data repository  My dataset already has a PID  No |
| What are the expected costs for data sharing? How will these costs be covered? | None |

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| **7. Responsibilities** | |
| Who will manage data documentation and metadata during the research project? | Metadata is generated automatically.  Documentation will be managed by Jon Verheyen |
| Who will manage data storage and backup during the research project? | Jon Verheyen |
| Who will manage data preservation and sharing? | Jon Verheyen |
| Who will update and implement this DMP? | Jon Verheyen |

1. “Project number” refers to the institutional project number. This question is optional. Applicants can only provide one project number. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Funder(s) GrantID refers to the number of the DMP at the funder(s), here one can specify multiple GrantIDs if multiple funding sources were used. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Add rows for each dataset you want to describe. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. See Glossary Flemish Standard Data Management Plan [↑](#footnote-ref-4)