

Aim of the Meeting: Gathering data overview info for euCanSHare's Data Management Plan v1

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Agenda:

1. Data summary
 - 1.1. Data purpose, origin, collection procedures
 - 1.2. Data data types, data formats
2. Data discoverability
 - 2.1. Naming conventions, metadata standards
 - 2.2. Approach towards keywords, raw data overview (aggregate statistics)
3. Data accessibility
 - 3.1. Levels of access
 - 3.2. Access procedures and conditions
4. Data interoperability
 - 4.1. Data and metadata vocabularies, standards or methodologies
 - 4.2. Required metadata
5. Data reusability
 - 5.1. Data utility, intended degree of reuse
 - 5.2. Safe long-term storage

Outline:

Following Horizon 2020's guidelines on Data Management Plan (DMP) we aim to collect a description of data handled within euCanSHare, along with a comprehensive analysis of the nature of data on a dataset by dataset basis, including the needs for long-term storage and security issues, required metadata and other requirements for interoperability, as well as compliance with FAIR and EOSC data principles. The DMP can be considered as a reference for the resource and effort allocations related to data management. However, the DMP is intended to be a living document and can be modified and updated throughout the project.

Data description. DMP should include info on data origin, such as data obtention (collection, submission process) as well as the nature of data, in terms of data types classifications, size (and volume in MB/GB/TB) and formats of datasets, all of which will have implications in terms of storage, technical requirements and access.

Data discoverability. DMP should include the data owner's approach to unique identification of datasets with globally unique and eternally persistent identifiers, versioning numbers, naming conventions, search keywords and metadata standards as well as metadata accessibility and data access levels, including data overview or aggregate statistics, all of which will facilitate discoverability of cohort data, comparison and selection of data of potential interest for users.

Data accessibility. DMP should address how data will be shared, including access policies, access procedures, embargo periods (if any), outlines of technical mechanisms for dissemination and necessary software and other tools for enabling reuse. Access policies regarding each cohort, dataset or specific data types or variables will be later defined and stored in a centralized platform to provide a simple framework to apply for data access, facilitate the procedure of granting and managing granted credentials by the committees (DACs tools). Also, if a different access methodology (e.g local, machinery licenses, novel blockchain technologies) is implemented by any data owner, a description of this would be required for the DMP.

Data interoperability. DMP should include a description of data and metadata vocabularies, standards or methodologies followed by each data contributor to facilitate interoperability. To this end, an initial collection of this info from each data contributor will be valuable. Ideally, the collection of required metadata specific for each data type from data contributors/ experts will lead to a consensus on minimal required metadata collection for each data type, crucial for harmonization purposes, comparison and ultimately multi-cohort analysis.

Data reusability. DMP should address reusability issues such as data utility, the intended/allowed degree of reuse (marked by the establishment of licenses), data quality assurance processes and the provisions for data security including storage in certified repositories for long-term preservation and curation, and backup.

To go through these issues we would like to follow a questionnaire based on H2020 guidelines: https://github.com/clauw87/euCanSHare/blob/master/questionnaire_data_providers_lite.docx.