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Dear Dr. Simons:

I am writing to submit our tutorial manuscript, “Getting Started Creating Data Dictionaries: How to Create a Shareable Dataset” for publication at *Advances in Methods and Practices in Psychological Science.* This tutorial guides a user through the necessity of a data dictionary for open data sharing, defines important terminology, and showcases three different applications for creating meta-data. My co-authors and I believe this tutorial is timely for those who are interested in creating open, shareable datasets but are unsure where to start. With the provided tutorial and video guides, a researcher can create understandable meta-data for their projects. The tutorial demonstrates three different applications, including Codebook , which was recently published in AMPPS as well. During the development of our paper, Ruben Arslan and I discussed, deciding the papers were likely synergistic, each focusing on different components of meta-data. Therefore, we decided to include Codebook as part of our tutorial, allowing us to compare it to other potential options.

This manuscript is not under review at any other journal. All authors have seen and approved this version of the manuscript. Please let us know if there is any additional information I can provide.

Thank you,

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