**User Research Questions**

Some initial thoughts - this is not meant as a script, merely to guide the conversation and give a general sense of what we want to ask.

The goal of these interviews is to get a sense of the following key issues so that we can inform how we develop the tool.

* Introduction
  + Explain purpose/scope of project
  + Express appreciation for participating
* User Background (Goal: understand the user to better design a tool for their skills)
  + Can you briefly describe your background?
  + How comfortable are you technically?
    - If comfortable, what languages/tools?
  + How did you first hear about in the OMF? How did you get involved?
* Usage Background (Goal: understand the general sort of questions the users are interested
  + Can you briefly describe your research?
  + What kind of questions do you try to answer in your day-to-day work?
    - What kinds of questions do you find easy to answer?
    - What kinds of questions can you answer, but take some time / effort to collect data / information?
    - What kinds of questions would you like to answer but cannot because you do not have access to resources to get the data / information you need?
  + Can you describe your interests in OMF data?
  + Who do you think currently uses OMF data?
* Current Tool Usage (Goal: understand how the user currently uses the tools and data provided by OMF)
  + How do you currently use OMF data? What questions do you attempt to answer with the OMF data?
  + How do you currently use the tools provided by OMF?
  + What aspects of the tool do you find the most useful?
  + What visualizations do you make with the data?
  + How do you visualize the data?
  + Do you incorporate other datasets in conjunction with OMF data?
* Usage Gaps (Goal: understand how the user would like to use the data but can’t, and what can be done to better serve the user)
  + \*PRESENT LIST OF QUESTIONS\* On a scale of 1-5, please rate how useful you think each question is.
  + What visualizations/data cuts do you wish were more accessible?
  + How do you weigh access to easy visualization vs. easy access to data?
  + What do you think can be done to make OMF data more accessible/useable?
  + Who do you think is an untapped audience for the OMF data?