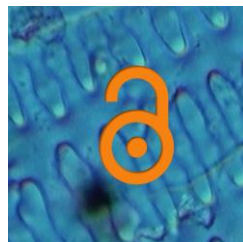


Towards FAIR phytolith data

First steps down a long and winding road

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What is FAIR?

The **FAIR** principles:

Findable

Accessible

Interoperable

Reusable



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FAIR data analogy



Annotation makes it easier to find important things



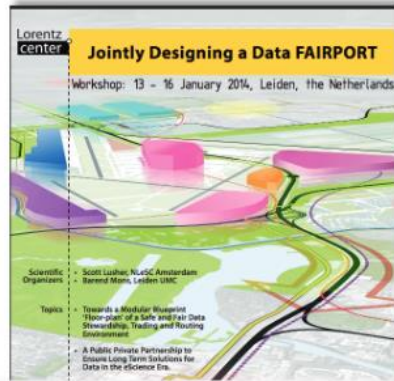
You would not buy food with no labels!

Labels make different foods easier to find and access in stores, combine with other foods (interoperable) and use in different ways.

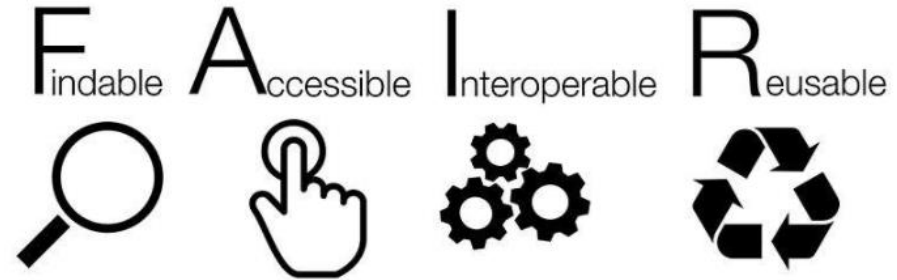


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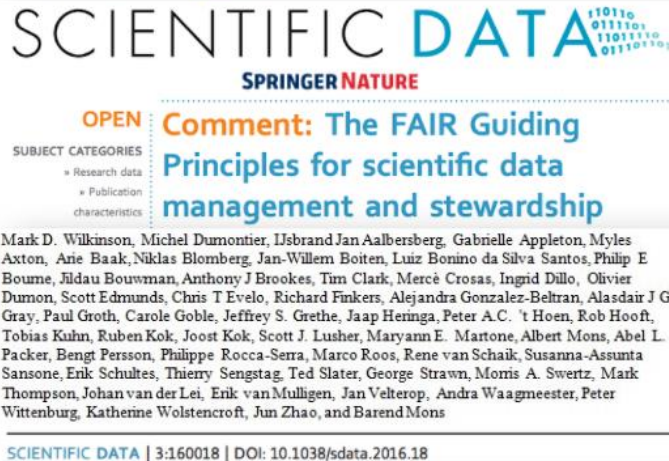
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2014



2016



A set of principles to enhance
the value of all digital resources

Developed and endorsed by *researchers,*
service providers, publishers, funding
agencies and industry partners

FAIR principles from **Wilkinson *et al.* (2016)**
DOI: 10.1038/sdata.2016.18

FAIR does not mean Open

Box 2 | The FAIR Guiding Principles

To be Findable:

- F1. (meta)data are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier
- F2. data are described with rich metadata (defined by R1 below)
- F3. metadata clearly and explicitly include the identifier of the data it describes
- F4. (meta)data are registered or indexed in a searchable resource

To be Accessible:

- A1. (meta)data are retrievable by their identifier using a standardized communications protocol
 - A1.1 the protocol is open, free, and universally implementable
 - A1.2 the protocol allows for an authentication and authorization procedure, where necessary
- A2. metadata are accessible, even when the data are no longer available

To be Interoperable:

- I1. (meta)data use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation.
- I2. (meta)data use vocabularies that follow FAIR principles
- I3. (meta)data include qualified references to other (meta)data

To be Reusable:

- R1. meta(data) are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes
 - R1.1. (meta)data are released with a clear and accessible data usage license
 - R1.2. (meta)data are associated with detailed provenance
 - R1.3. (meta)data meet domain-relevant community standards

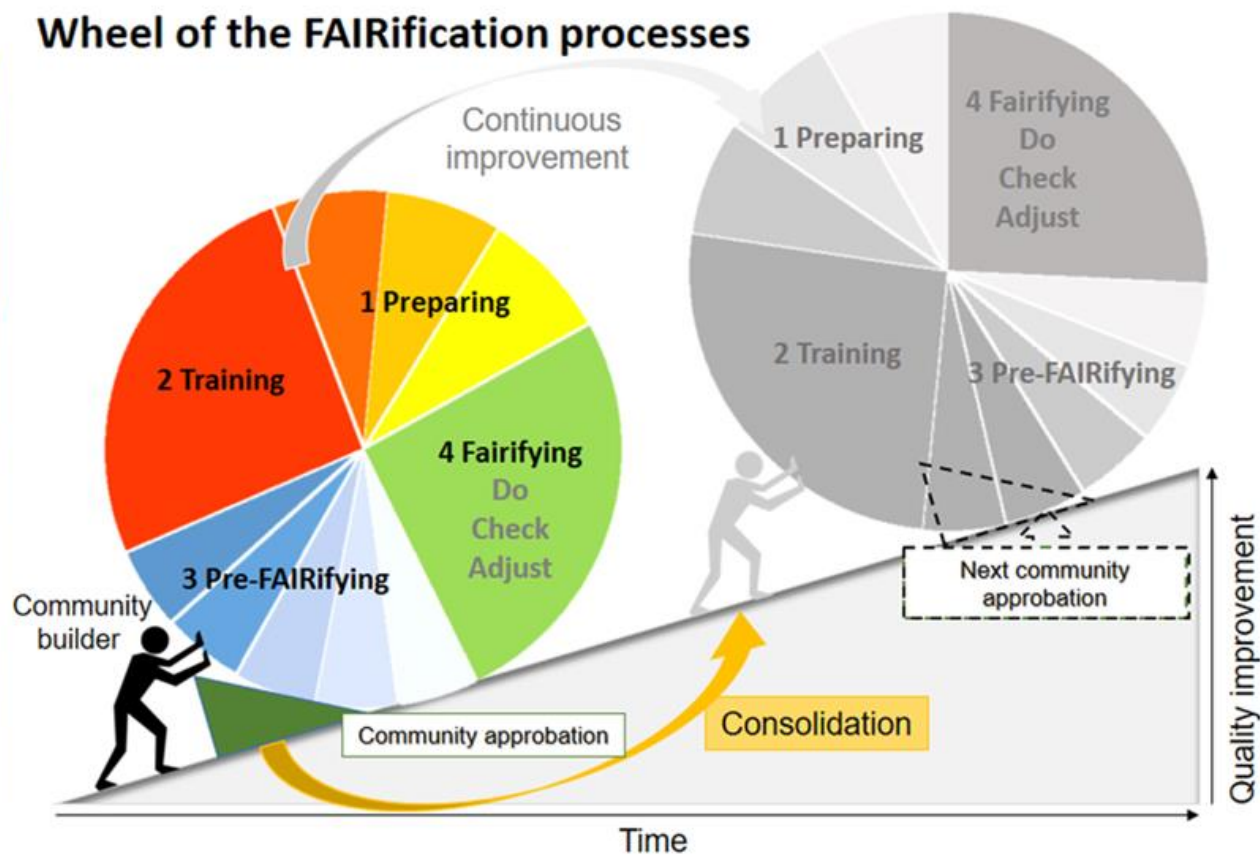
“As open as possible, as closed as necessary”

C - Collective benefit
A - Authority to control
R - Responsibility
E - Ethics

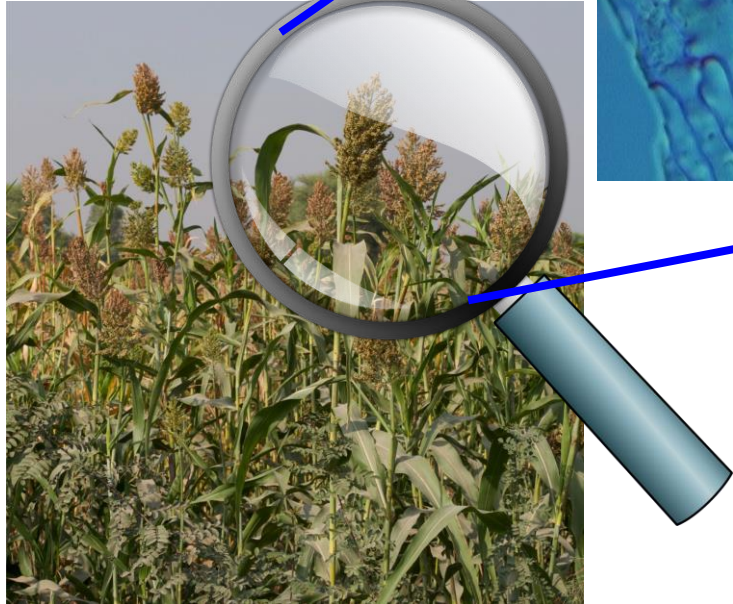
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Process	Steps
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	Define constraints
	Define advantages
Training	Increase FAIR literacy Convince partners
Pre-FAIRifying	Building shared strategy
	Define community
	Define objects and variables
	Select items to be identified
	Analyse common denominators
FAIRifying	Do: Downward levelling
	Check: first interoperations
	Adjust: Identifying gaps and new expectation

Wheel of the FAIRification processes



Phytoliths... why do we need FAIRification?



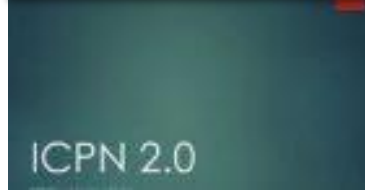
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Phytoliths... why do we need FAIRification?

Karoune 2020 - Review of Open Science Practices in Phytolith Research

- 341 articles with primary phytolith data.

Collected data on:

- data format,
- reusability of data,
- photo inclusion,
- fully described method,
- use of standard nomenclature (ICPN 1.0),
- open access.

Results:

- Data sharing in any form = 53%
- Reusable raw data = 4%

Growing evidence that open practices have benefits

1. Research quality - Palaeogenetics
2. Citation benefits of linking data and open access

RESEARCH ARTICLE  PLOS ONE

When Data Sharing Gets Close to 100 % : What Human Paleogenetics Can Teach the Open Science Movement

97% data
sharing in
162 article.

Paolo Anagnostou^{1,2*}, Marco Capocasa^{2,3}, Nicola Milia⁴, Emanuele Sanna⁴,
Cinzia Battaglia¹, Daniela Luzi⁵, Giovanni Destro Bisol^{1,2*}

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The citation advantage of linking publications to research data

Giovanni Colavizza^{1,2}, Iain Hrynaskiewicz^{3,4}, Isla Staden^{1,5}, Kirstie Whitaker^{1,6},
Barbara McGillivray^{1,6*}

25% higher citation impact for papers that include a link to data in a repository

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What are the advantages of making our data FAIR and open?

For our wider community

1. Increased quality of research
2. Increased collaboration in our community
3. More sustainable research for the next generation
4. More diverse and inclusive research community

For you

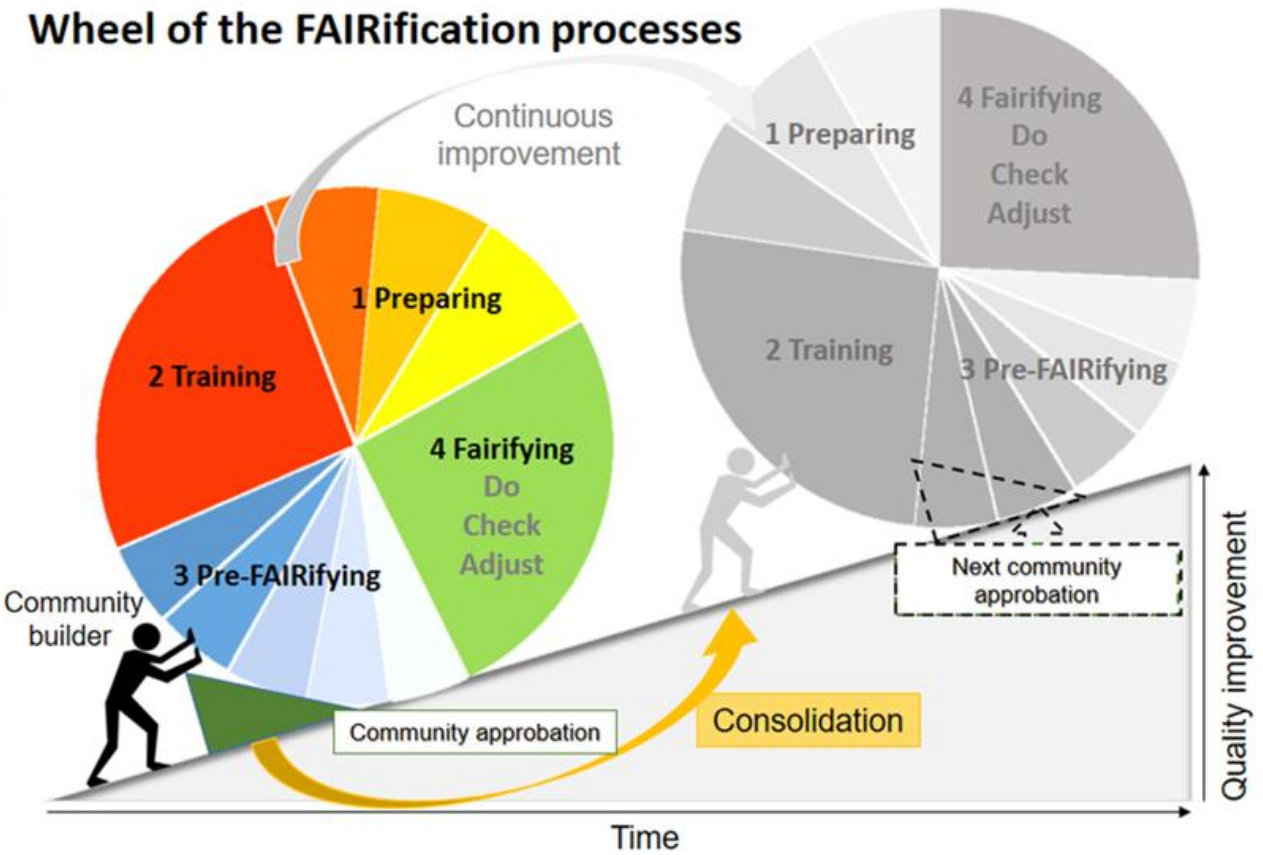
1. Increased citations of your published research articles.
2. Greater discoverability and enhanced visibility of your work.
3. Credit for all your work.

If you want to start now with FAIR and open data

In your next article:

1. Make sure it is open access - gold or green.
2. Include a fully described method (protocol).
3. Write a data availability statement - describe clearly how to access the full raw data.
4. Put your data in an open repository and give it a license.

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What has this project done so far?

1. Created a **community survey**
2. Opened a project **repository** on GitHub
3. Designed a **webpage**, using GitHub
4. Planning **FAIR assessment** of two large datasets

Moving forward

Autumn 2021

- Start FAIR assessment
- Close survey and analyses results
- Start reaching out to interested researchers

Winter 2021

- Offer training - onboarding into the project - Github and FAIR assessment.
- Finalise FAIR assessment datasets.

Moving forward

Spring 2022

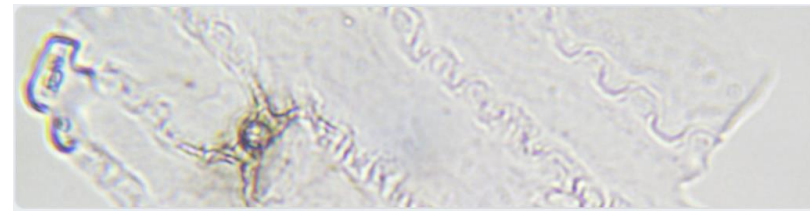
- Analysing results of FAIR assessment
- Drawing up first draft of guidelines
- Consulting wider community on guidelines

Summer 2022

- Writing data paper
- Writing community FAIR guidelines

How you can get involved

1. **Complete our survey**
2. Get involved:
 - a. **Training** in Github and FAIR
 - b. **Help with our work** -
translation, review of FAIR
guidelines, open and FAIR
publications.



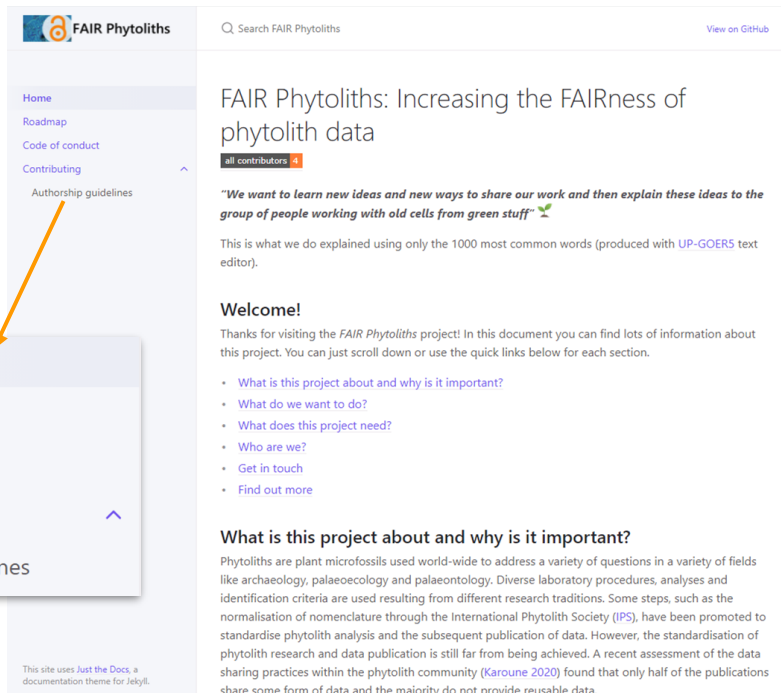
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Hello! This short questionnaire is aimed at understanding current practices concerning open science within the phytolith community as part of the project FAIR Phytoliths: Increasing the FAIRness of phytolith data. The project strives to make phytolith data more FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable). This initiative is supported by the International

- [Survey Part 1](#)
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Webpage and Twitter:

Look out for more news from our project



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Our new core team member: Celine Kerfant.

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