

Data and Software: Important Building Blocks of Research

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150 years of *Nature*

A century and a half of research and discovery.

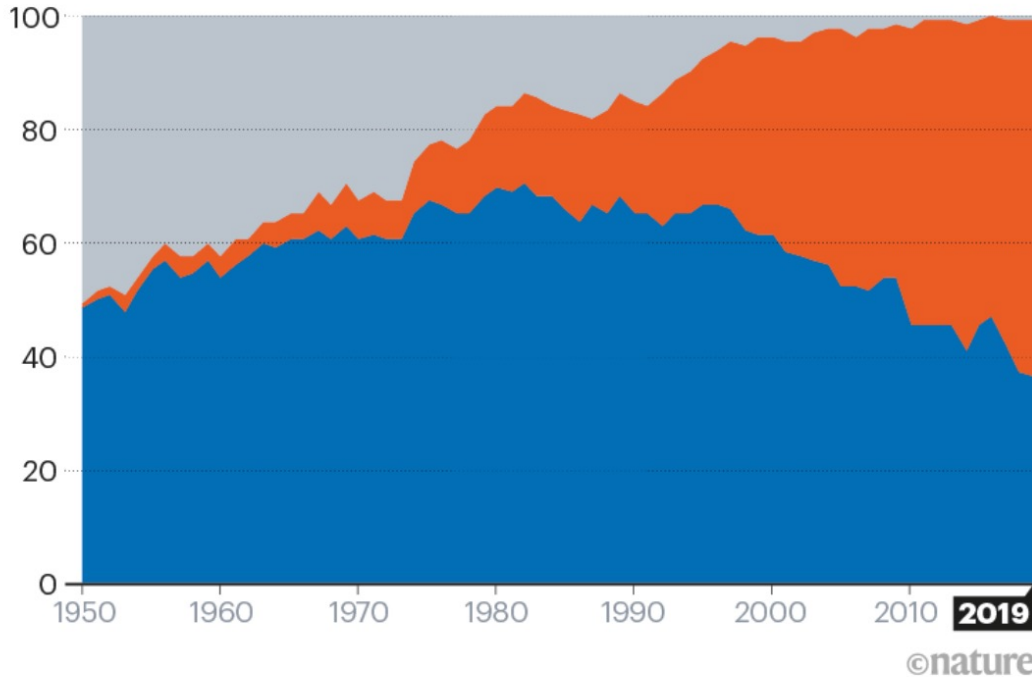


INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

Author lists on research publications show a shift towards multinational teams; fewer teams are composed entirely of researchers from one country.

Proportion of papers

■ Multinational ■ Domestic ■ Single author



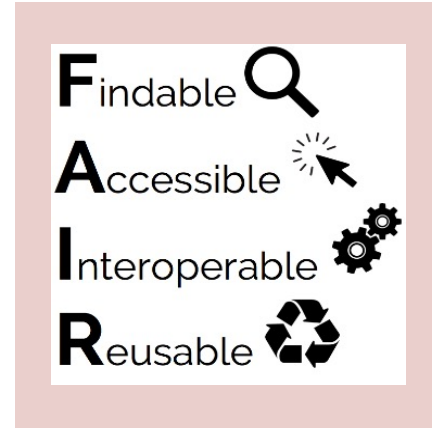
Monastersky, R., & Van Noorden, R. (2019). 150 years of Nature: a data graphic charts our evolution. *Nature*, 575(7781), 22–23.
<https://doi.org/10.1038/d41586-019-03305-w>

The Future of your Research

- Research Teams (not individuals)
- International Collaborations
- Robust **tools to discover** relevant research worldwide
- Good **documentation** to understand that research, data, and/or software
- Data that is **interoperable**, no matter which research team created it
- Software that is **accessible** and developed in current tools (e.g., Jupyter Notebooks)
- Licenses that support **reuse**.



OPEN



FAIR

Closed vs Open – A continuum



Closed



Mediated



Embargoed



Open



FAIR Guiding Principles

FAIR is...

Findable

Accessible

Interoperable

Reusable

Article in Nature journal *Scientific Data*:
Wilkinson, M. D. *et al.* The FAIR Guiding Principles
for scientific data management and stewardship.
Sci. Data 3:160018 doi: 10.1038/sdata.2016.18
(2016).



FAIR Data Principles (applies to software and all digital objects)

- **Findable**

- Assign persistent IDs (PIDs), provide rich metadata, register in a searchable resource, ...

Repository

- **Accessible**

- Retrievable by their ID using a standard protocol, metadata remain accessible even when data are no longer available...

Repository

- **Interoperable**

- Use formal, broadly applicable languages, use standard vocabularies, qualified references...

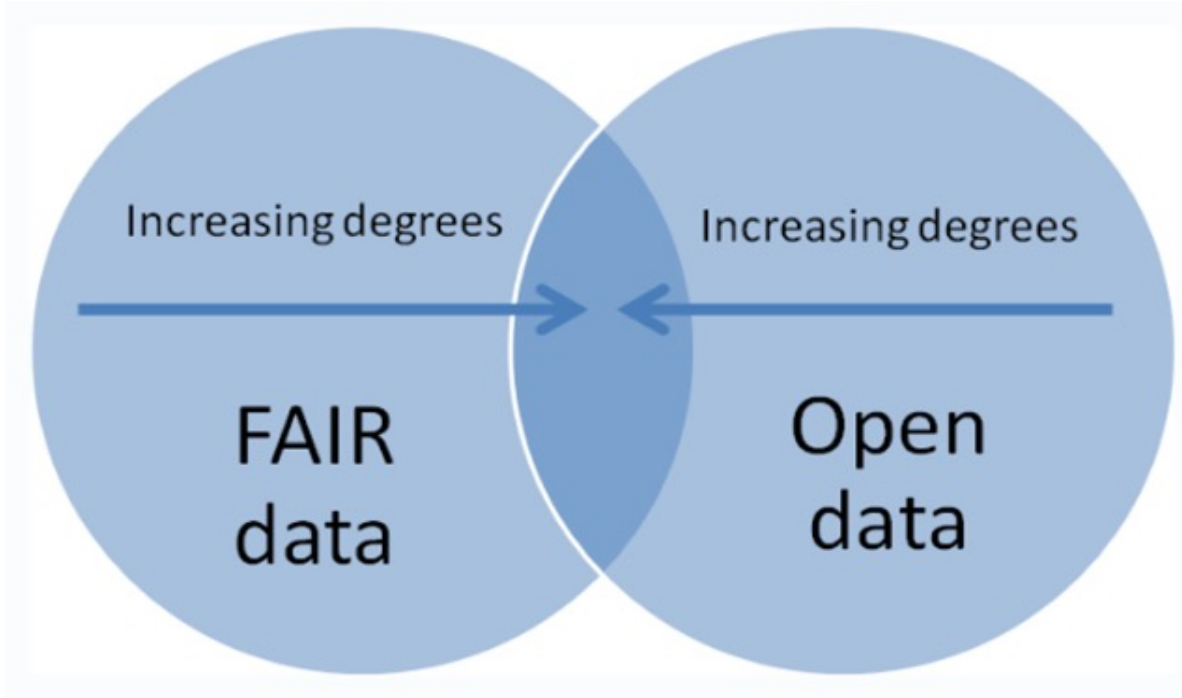
Community

- **Reusable**

- Rich, accurate metadata, clear licenses, provenance, use of community standards...

Community / Repository

Is FAIR Open? In short, “It depends.”



Data can be FAIR or Open, both or neither.

The greatest potential for reuse comes when data are both FAIR and Open.

Higman, Rosie, Daniel Bangert, and Sarah Jones. 2019. “Three Camps, One Destination: The Intersections of Research Data Management, FAIR and Open”. *Insights* 32 (1): 18. DOI: <http://doi.org/10.1629/uksg.468>

Data should be as open as possible, as closed as necessary.

What is the Continuum for FAIR? Two examples...

Persistent Identifier

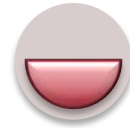


No unique ID



Globally resolvable persistent identifier

Robust Metadata



No metadata



Metadata that aligns to community recommended standards/vocabulary/guidelines; Machine Readable

Why do we Care
about FAIR?



RESEARCHERS ♥ DATA MANAGEMENT!

HMM... WHAT DATA IS OUT THERE ...

F



... TO SUPPORT MY RESEARCH?

F-A

ULTRA SPEED METADATA SEARCH CRITERIA

Wow! SUPER RELEVANT USEFUL DATA!



F-A-R

F-A-I-R

AMAZING RESEARCH HAPPENS.

Now... TO SUBMIT MY unique & valuable RESEARCH DATA.



F-A-I-R

Why DOES THE DATA MANAGER INSIST ON SO MUCH METADATA?



F-A-I-R

DATA MANAGER

Sigh... I THOUGHT FOR SURE THIS ONE HAD MADE THE CONNECTION.

KEEP CALM & CURATE ON

DATA MANAGERS ... MAKING DATA MORE USEFUL ... AND PAVING THE WAY FOR FUTURE RESEARCHERS TO FIND VALUE IN YOUR DATA!

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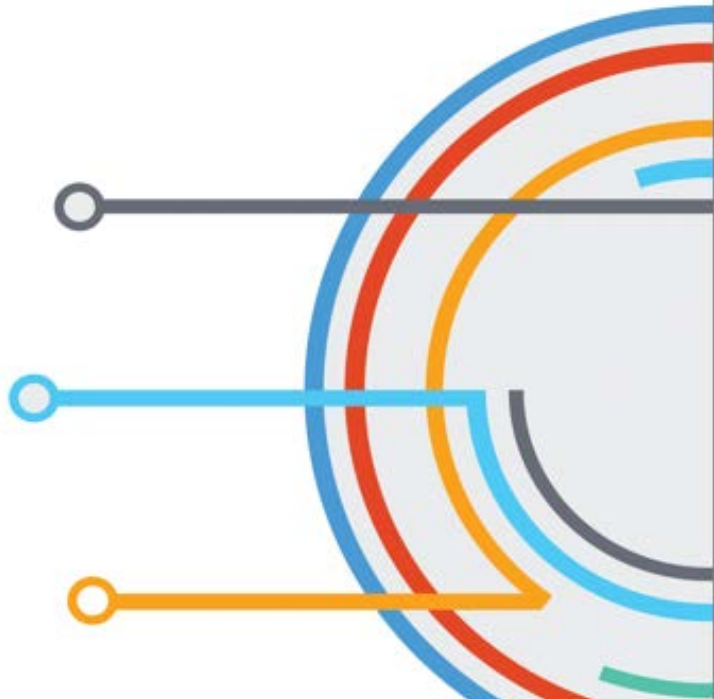
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OPEN SCIENCE BY DESIGN

Realizing a Vision for 21st Century Research



National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2018. *Open Science by Design: Realizing a Vision for 21st Century Research*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/25116>.

Open Science by Design is aimed at overcoming barriers and **moving toward open science as the default approach across the research enterprise**. This report explores specific examples of open science and discusses a range of challenges, focusing on stakeholder perspectives. It is meant to provide guidance to the research enterprise and its stakeholders as they build strategies for achieving open science and take the next steps.

Report released July 2018

NASEM Definition of Open Science

Open science aims to ensure the open availability and usability:

- scholarly publications
- the data that result from scholarly research
- and the methodologies, including code or algorithms, that were used to generate those data.

5 Findings and Recommendations

1. Building a Supportive Culture - internationally
2. Training for Open Science by Design
3. Ensuring long term preservation and stewardship -
Developing and sustaining the infrastructure
4. Facilitating data discovery, and reuse – FAIR Data Principles
5. Developing new approaches to fostering Open Science by Design – with public and private funder support

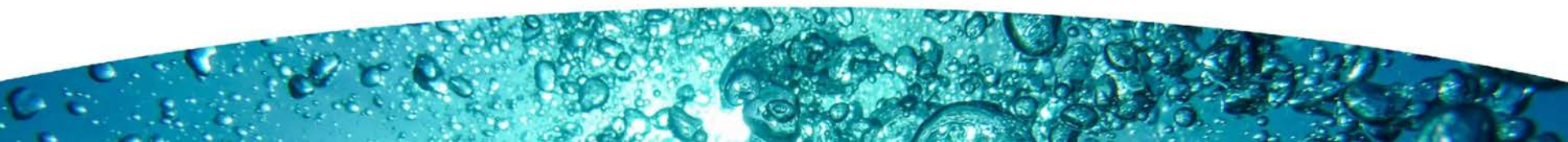
Open Science – The Key Pillars

- Open scientific knowledge
 - **Scientific publications**
 - **Open research data**
 - **Open source software and source code**
 - **Open hardware**
- Open science infrastructures
- Science communication
- Open engagement of societal actors
- Open dialogue with other knowledge systems.

Source: Final report on the draft text of the UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science; final adoption expected November 2021



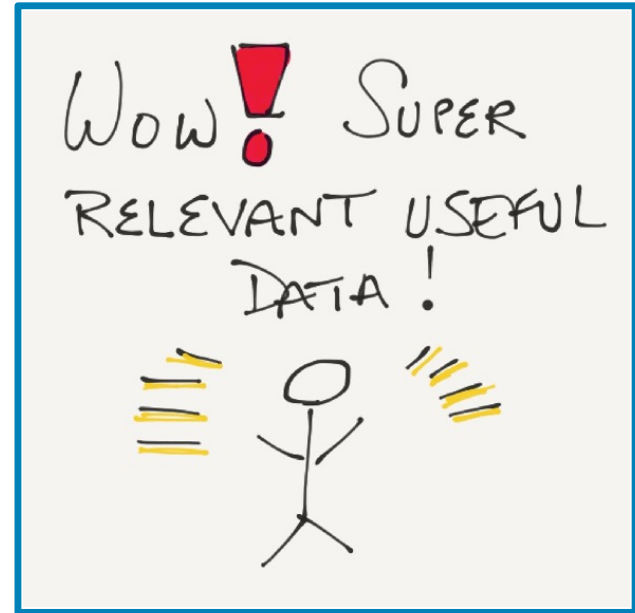
<https://en.unesco.org/science-sustainable-future/open-science>



From the very beginning of the research process,

the researcher **both contributes** to open science and

takes advantage of the open science practices of other members of the research community.





NSF Public Access Repository (PAR) 1.0

Current System Functions and Characteristics

PAR 1.0 focused on Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Enables researchers to enter metadata for peer-reviewed articles or auto-populate by means of Digital Object Identifiers (DOI)
- Metadata recorded in PAR is also transmitted and synchronized with Award Search database
- The metadata for articles can be searched and displayed
- Researchers may deposit (or retrieve) public access articles as PDF/A files or point to download locations through DOI
- Note that PAR is not a single system, but rather an infrastructure of various interacting software systems in several different parts of the NSF infrastructure, also making use of modified modules from the DOE Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI) system

URL: <http://par.nsf.gov>

The screenshot shows the NSF PAR search results page for the query 'COVID'. The page header includes the NSF logo and the text 'NSF Public Access Repository (NSF-PAR) A partnership with the Department of Energy, Office of Scientific and Technical Information'. Below the header is a search bar with 'COVID' entered and a 'Find' button. The search results are displayed on 'Page 1 of 6', sorted by 'Relevance'. The first result is titled 'Telemedicine and Healthcare Disparities: A cohort study in a large healthcare system in New York City during COVID-19'. The abstract for this article is visible, discussing the impact of telemedicine on health care during the COVID-19 pandemic. A note at the bottom of the page states: 'Free, publicly-accessible full text available August 31, 2021'.

Slide Credit: Martin Halbert, NSF Senior Advisor for Public Access, 19 November 2020



NSF PAR 2.0 Development Planning

- Primary goal for the second version of PAR is to accommodate submissions of research data sets
- Will not require that data sets be deposited in PAR 2.0 but instead will expect data sets to be deposited in repositories which demonstrate FAIR best practices such as maintaining sustainable long-term access through the assignment of a persistent identifier (PID) with quality descriptive metadata
- Now planning the upgrades to the NSF PAR infrastructure to address the additional needed features
- Aim to accomplish major development efforts in calendar 2021

Slide Credit: Martin Halbert, NSF Senior Advisor for Public Access, 19 November 2020

Final NIH Policy for Data Management and Sharing (NOT-OD-21-013)

Release Date: **October 29, 2020** | Effective Date: **January 25, 2023**

NIH requires researchers to prospectively plan for how scientific data will be preserved and shared through submission of a Data Management and Sharing Plan

Submission of a Data Management and Sharing Plan outlining how scientific data and any accompanying metadata will be managed and shared, taking into account any potential restrictions or limitations.

Plan is part of the budget Justification section of the application for extramural awards and as part of the technical evaluation for contracts

The DMS Policy applies to all research, funded or conducted in whole or in part by NIH, that results in the generation of scientific data. This includes research funded or conducted by extramural grants, contracts, Intramural Research Projects, or other funding agreements regardless of NIH funding level or funding mechanism. **The DMS Policy does not apply to research and other activities that do not generate scientific data, including training, infrastructure development, and non-research activities.**

Final NIH Policy for Data Management and Sharing

NOT-OD-21-015: Allowable Costs for Data Management and Sharing include curation, data management and sharing data through repositories

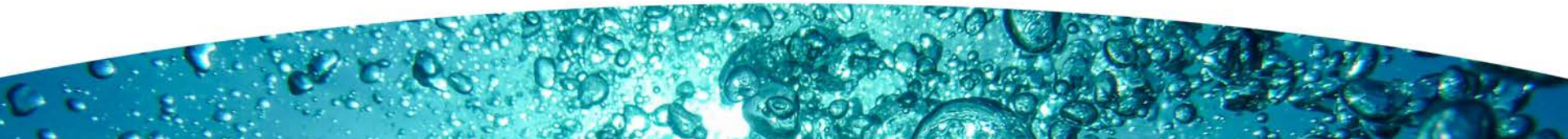
- Shared scientific data should be made accessible as soon as possible, and no later than the time of an associated publication, or the end of performance period, whichever comes first.

NOT-OD-21-016: Selecting a Repository include desirable characteristics for a data sharing repository

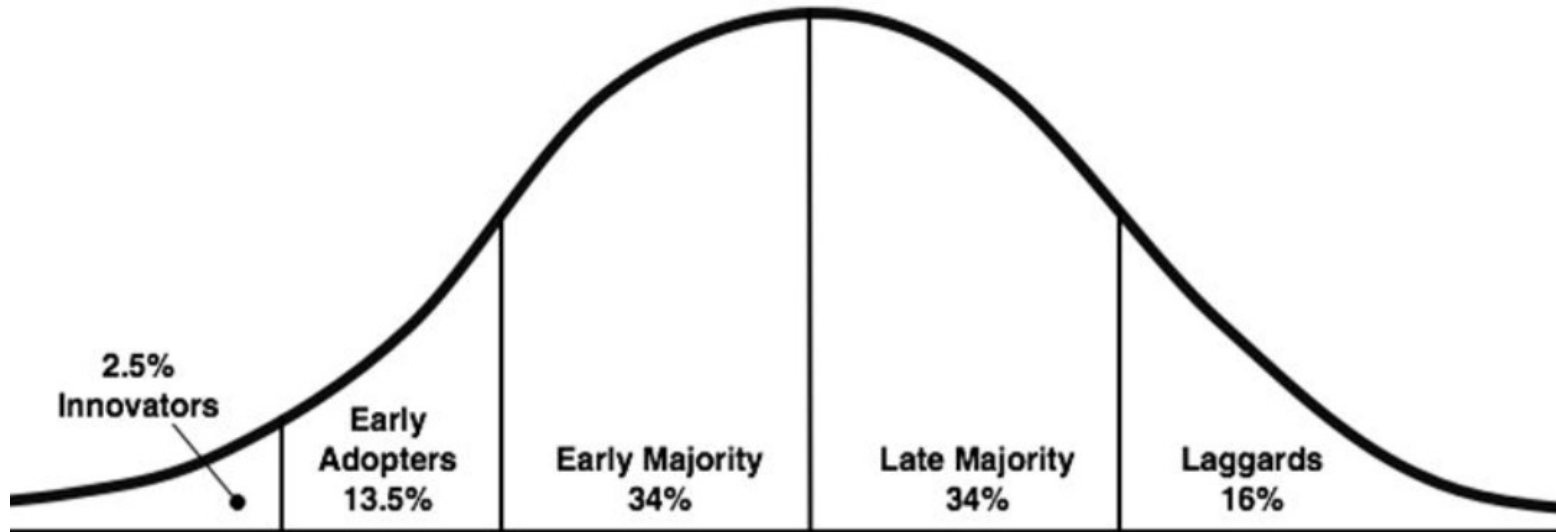
- **NIH strongly encourages the use of established repositories** to the extent possible for preserving and sharing scientific data.

What is the Funder Focus?

1. Data Management Plans
 - PI required to consider **how** data will managed and preserved (i.e., repository selection)
2. Linking Data (and software) to a grant, publication, researcher, etc
 - Persistent Identifiers (**PIDs**) and linked infrastructure
3. Culture change
 - Evolving from recommendations to requirements

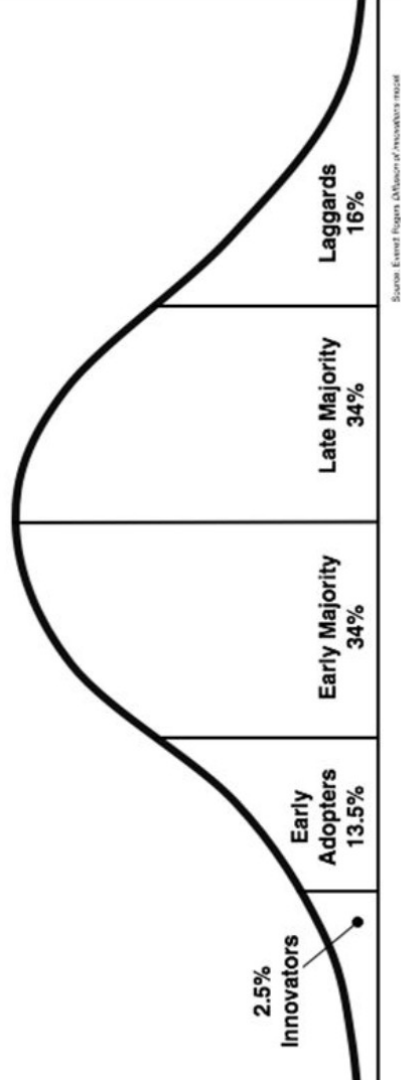


Changing a Research Culture



Source: Everett Rogers, Diffusion of Innovations model

Adapted from Brian Nosek (COS) by Marcia McNutt,
President of the National Academy of Science



Make it required – with policies

Make it rewarding – with incentives



Make it accepted – by building communities

Community of Practice: Promote data sharing, metadata standards, criteria for interoperability



Make it easy – with user interface



Make it possible – with infrastructure

AGU Data & Software Sharing Guidance

What is covered:

- What data needs to be available?
- Repository Selection
- Availability Statement
- Data & Software Citation
- Physical Samples

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Data & Software for Authors

WHAT IS NEEDED?

AGU requires that the underlying data needed to understand, evaluate, and build upon the reported research be available at the time of peer review and publication. Additionally, authors should make available software that has a significant impact on the research. This entails:

1. Depositing the data and software in a trusted repository, as appropriate, and preferably with a DOI
2. Including an [Availability Statement](#) as a separate paragraph in the Open Research section explaining to the reader where and how to access the data and software
3. And including [citation\(s\)](#) to the deposited data and software, in the Reference Section.

Click on the headings below for detailed information on:

- [Models & Simulations](#)
- [Journal-Specific Data Guidance](#)
- [International Geo Sample Numbers](#)

Most of your questions regarding data and software should be answered by the resources below. Just in case, if you still have questions, you can contact DataHelp@agu.org.

WHAT DATA NEEDS TO BE AVAILABLE?

Primary and processed data used for your research should be preserved and made available. Generally, the underlying data are considered to be the types of data usually preserved in domain repositories for each discipline. These may include raw data, but are usually the processed or refined data that support and lead to the described results and allow other readers to assess your conclusions and build off your work.

In your paper, cite these data, as well as any data you used from other sources, and include information about access to the data in the availability statement. For [model or simulation data](#), follow [journal specific guidance](#) on prioritizing preserved output; in general, availability of software is most important.

Very large data (greater than 1 terabyte or TB) can be a challenge to preserve as there often fees and additional resources required. One option to consider, institutions often offer solutions for data preservation and compliance. Again, refer to the [journal specific guidance](#) for more information or email DataHelp@agu.org.

<https://www.agu.org/Publish-with-AGU/Publish/Author-Resources/Data-and-Software-for-Authors>

Resources



Manage your Digital Objects – Research
Team Member Checklist



Software Citation - 5 Tips



Digital Presence - Connect your research
for better discovery



Guidance for AGU Authors - Jupyter
Notebooks



Data and Software Sharing Guidance for
Authors Submitting to AGU journals

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