

Dealing with research data

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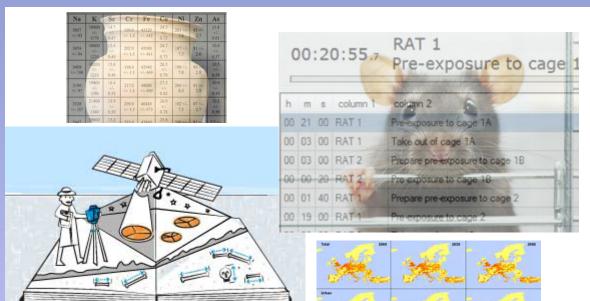


- How to process your data or which software to use,
 - Each scientific community has its own standards.
- But:
 - University's expectations in how to handle your data with respect to good scientific practice and responsible conduct of research,
 - To enable interested parties to verify and re-use your research results.



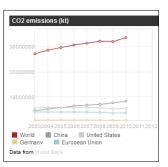
What is 'Research data'?

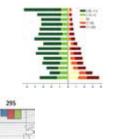


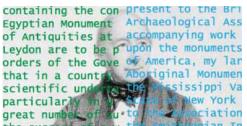


Credits:

Journal of Conservation and Museum Studies
Journal of Open Archaeology Data
Journal of Public Health Data
Journal of Open Research Software
HU Berlin Geomatics Lab
World Bank Open Data

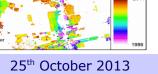














Dissertations and research data

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- Good scientific practice / Responsible conduct of research / Research integrity:
 - "Data underlying scholarly publications should be accessible for at least ten years"
 (German Research Foundation, 1998; HU, 2002)
- Guidelines for doctoral studies:
 - "Both supervisors and doctoral candidates are committed to comply with the Rules of good scientific practice" (HU, 2012)
- Good data is good for your reputation:
 - Bad example: "Cardiology researcher faked data in his prizewinning PhD thesis" (Retraction Watch, 2013/10/17)
- More impact, visibility and career recognition when sharing data (cf. Piwowar et al., 2007)



So what to do? Available support



- Publish your dissertation:
 - "The academic senate of the Humboldt University has decided that students should be given the option to meet the obligation of publishing their dissertation also by electronic publication on the document and publication server of the HU Berlin", see Information Leaflet http://edoc.hu-berlin.de
- Publish your research data:
 - Advice & guidance offered by RDM-coordinator
 - LAUDATIO-Repository (Long-term Access and Usage of Deeply Annotated Information) a subject repository for corpus linguistics researchers, a joint project at CMS and Department of German Studies and Linguistics of HU.



A joint project at HU Berlin, GFZ Potsdam and KIT Library.



Some evidence from RDM survey



- Survey ran for 6 weeks in early 2013
- Target group was academic staff at HU Berlin (~2000 persons)
- Overall response rate of ~24 % (499)
- 117 PhD students from most disciplines (departments and institutes)
 - Chemistry (13)
 - Psychology (11)
 - Social sciences (9)
 - History (8)
 - Biology (7)
- Important: Participants were not asked to rely answer to a specific type of research data, e.g. only research data based on ETDs

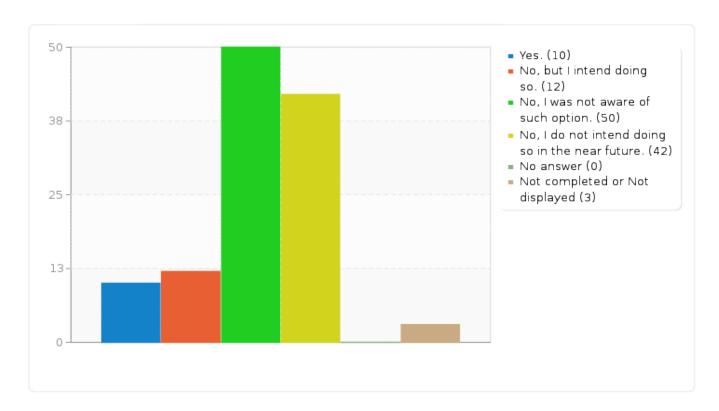
See also Maxi Kindling's talk at 16th International Symposium on Electronic Theses And Dissertations (ETD 2013) in Hong Kong, 25.09.2013: http://lib.hku.hk/etd2013/presentation/Maxi-ETD-20130925.pdf



Experience in data sharing



Have you ever deposited your research data in a data archive or repository?





Some names



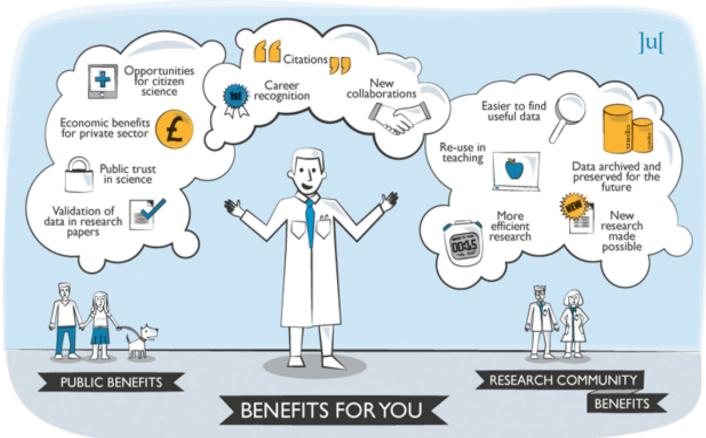
A sample of journals and data repositories:

- > www.plosone.org/
- http://www.myexperiment.org/
- Dalton Transaction
- Organometallics
- SHARE European Social Survey
- Scifinder, web of knowledge
- Angewandt chemie, chemical communications, chemistry-an European Journal, Journal of the American chemical Society, Journal of Organic Chemistry"
- DRYAD
- Dropbox
- prl.aps.org
- Polylog Zeitschrift für Interkulturelle Philosophie, Deutsche Zeitschrift für Philosophie
- http://sfb649.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/fedc/data.php
- GESIS
- SESS



Benefits of 'Open Science'





Source: Journal of Open Archaeology Data http://openarchaeologydata.metajnl.com/



For more information



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Thank you



and good luck with your thesis!









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