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RDM and OA for Imperial Postdocs

A guide for Imperial College London postdoctoral researchers



Create a Data Management Plan

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A Data Management Plan is a short document that you put together at the start of a research project. It helps you to consider what data you will generate, how you will store and share it, and how you will make it discoverable.

Most funders require you to produce one and templates are available from dmponline.dcc.ac.uk.



Deposit your data in a repository

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At the end of a project research data should be archived and preserved for a minimum of 10 years.

You can deposit your data in a discipline specific repository, a general repository such as Zenodo, or with the Imperial College Data Repository.

Most repositories will mint a DOI for your dataset.



Link your data to your publications

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Publications based upon research data should include a short Data Access Statement (DAS).

DAS point to related research data, explain what terms it can be accessed under and usually include a DOI.



For more information see the Imperial Research Data Management website.

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Compliant with funder/grant requirements.

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