Sharing your data via the Cambridge data repository

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DATA
“Publicly funded research data are a public good (...), which should be made openly available with as few restrictions as possible...”
How to share data?

- Describe your data
- Deposit your data in appropriate data repositories
  - Use persistent links, e.g. DOIs (Digital Object Identifiers)
- Store your data for at least 10 years
Why would I share my data?

- Moving science forward
- Transparency in research
- Higher citation, better recognition
- More collaborations
- Public money better spent
- Less time wasted (*publish negative results!*)
- Better management of data
- Cultural change in science
Cambridge support for data sharing
Guidance on data repositories

Preference: discipline-specific repositories

What shall I do to make my data available?

To make your data available first make sure that it is properly organised and labelled, and then simply upload your data to a data repository. You can:

- upload your data to the University repository
Cambridge data repository

Submit your data

www.data.cam.ac.uk/upload
What happens next?

- We receive and check your files
- We upload your files to the repository
- We send you a persistent link to include in your publication (*we can mint DOIs*)

You can add the link to your publication.
**Take-home messages:**

- There are numerous benefits of data sharing
- Whenever possible, choose a discipline-specific repository
- Cambridge repository is there for you to use
- Share your negative results as well
  (and get cited!)
THANK YOU

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