



### **EPS Get together 2019**

"Homo biologicus informaticus": must know & good practices for the future Life Scientist

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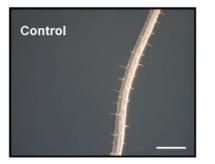
### Who am I - PhD



Montpellier (France)



#### Arabidopsis thaliana





Beneficial bacteria (PGPR) interaction with the ethylene hormonal pathway

### Who am I - Postdoc (1)



Versailles (France)



Post-transcriptional regulation of Arabidopsis & rice seed germination

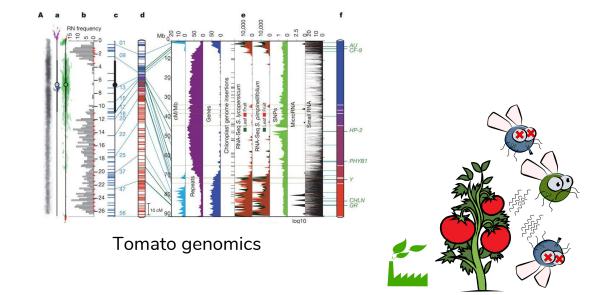


Partnership with industry





Amsterdam



Finding genetic & metabolic determinants to insect pests

### From in vitro to in silico





From the pipette to the computer

### My take home messages

#### The modern biologist is more and more a wet-lab / dry-lab hybrid

- The "pipette biologist" versus "computer biologist" ? No...just life scientists!
- Every scientist is a data scientist: generates data, analyses them and make plots...

#### Good practices in programming are like good practices in the lab

- Western Blot without gloves? At least you get proteins on your membrane...
- Nothing written in the laboratory notebook....well...

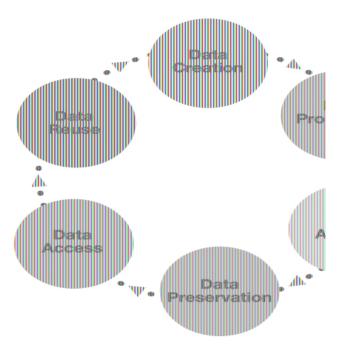
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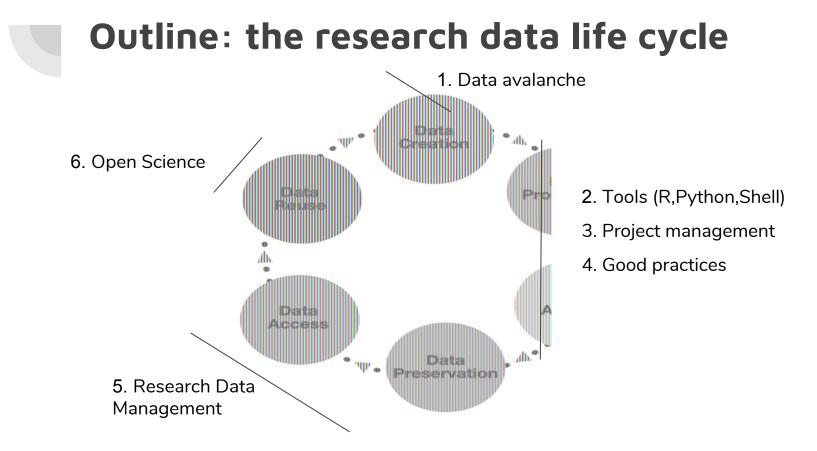
- 1. The data avalanche
- 2. Main programming tools useful in computational biology
- 3. Project management and organisation
- 4. Good practices in scientific programming
- 5. Research Data Management
- 6. Reproducible Research & Open Science
- 7. Building a local community of practice in programming & data science

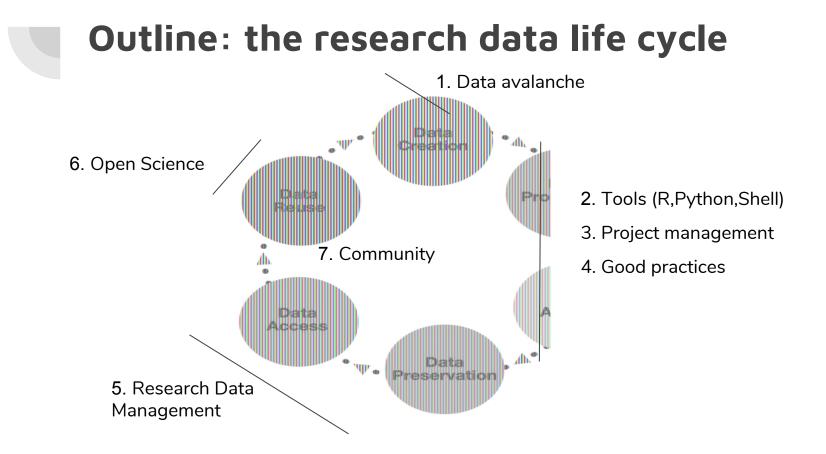


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### **Outline: the research data life cycle**





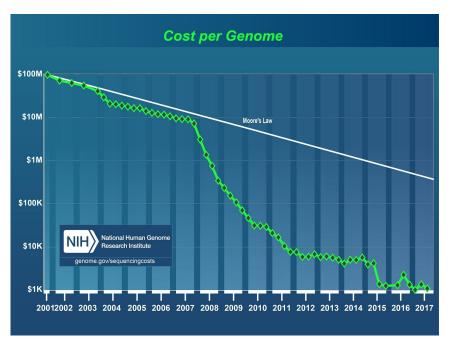


## CAUTION AVALANCHE DANGER

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### Genomic costs are plunging



https://www.genome.gov/27565109/the-cost-of-sequencing-a-human-genome/

### **Genomics vs other Big Data**





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Genomics (various) YouTube (video)

#### Astronomy (images)

Twitter (text)



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Genomics (NCBI SRA)

35 petabytes (PB) <u>per year</u>

 $1 \text{ PB} = 10^{15} \text{ bytes}$ 



YouTube

240 petabytes (PB) <u>per day</u>.

 $1 \text{ PB} = 10^{15} \text{ bytes}$ 



Twitter

547 terabytes (TB) per day

 $1 \text{ TB} = 10^{12} \text{ bytes}$ 





Genomics (NCBI SRA)

1 zetabytes (ZB) per year

 $1 \text{ ZB} = 10^{21} \text{ bytes}$ 



 $1 PB = 10^{15} bytes$ 

~ 1340 - 2070 PB per year

YouTube



Twitter

1.4 PB per year

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### But wait....we all generate data... every scientist is a data scientist :-)

Phenotypes



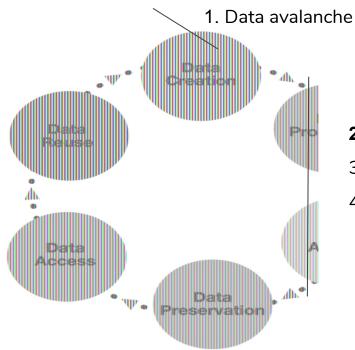
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Lab experiments (e.g. qPCR)



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### **Outline: the research data life cycle**



- 2. Tools (R,Python,Shell)
- 3. Project management
- 4. Good practices

# 2. Programming tools useful in computational biology

### What is (scientific) programming?

#### A problem to solve

Every program begins with a problem you want to solve.

#### A solution to the problem

The solution to that problem is referred to as an algorithm.

#### The solution translated into a computer language

And finally, that solution is translated into a programming language, like Python, that the computer can understand.

That package of code that's run on a computer is called a **program**.



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### A Swiss Army Knife: the Shell

### Jack of all trades: the Shell

#### Demo time!

- List files in a directory on your computer
- Copy files
- Connect to the LISA cluster (SURFsara)

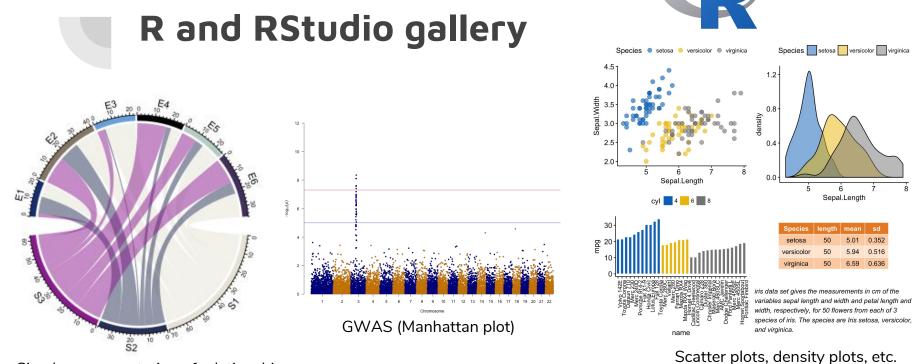


### R and RStudio



- ▶ R is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics.
- > RStudio is an Integrated Development Environment (IDE) that helps to develop R programs
- ➤ Helps with:
  - Data transformation: transposing a table, filtering row values based on a criteria. -- tidyverse
  - Set operations: A union B, A intersection B, join operations. -- UpSetR
  - Statistics: hypothesis testing (t-test, ANOVA), model fitting (regressions), ... -- base
  - **Exploratory Data Analysis:** Principal Component Analysis, heatmaps, clustering -- ggbiplot
  - Plotting: publication-grade plots with ggplot2
  - Genomics: Genomic data analysis with packages from the Bioconductor channel

-- ggplot2



Circular representation of relationships

Gu, Z. (2014) circlize implements and enhances circular visualization in R. Bioinformatics. DOI: <u>10.1093/bioinformatics/btu393</u> Turner, S.D. (2014) qqman: an R package for visualizing GWAS results using Q-Q and manhattan plots. <u>biorXiv DOI:</u> <u>10.1101/005165</u>



### **R** and **RStudio**

Demo time

3 tasks

- Transforme a dataset into the tidy format -- dplyr package
- **Explore** the dataset using plots
- Filter the dataset

- -- ggplot2 package
- -- dplyr package





A bit of Dutch prideness! Guido van Rossum invented Python in the early 90s' at the Centrum Wiskunde Informatica (Amsterdam).

Python 0.9.1 was released in... 1991!

Many modules ("packages") built over Python. Well active community & development

A dedicated scientific Python distribution well adapted for scientists (i.e. Anaconda)

### Anaconda distribution

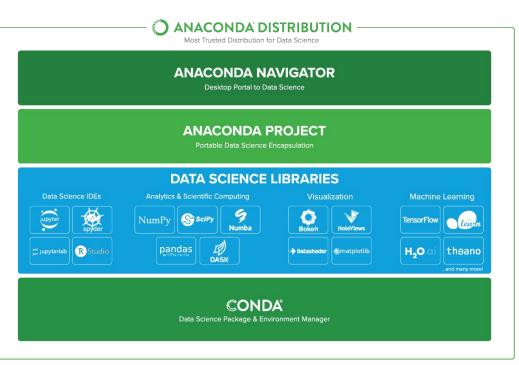
#### Useful for scientific computing:

- data science
- machine learning applications
- large-scale data processing

Conda package management system.

#### Over 6 million users

**1400 popular data-science packages** suitable for Windows, Linux, and MacOS.

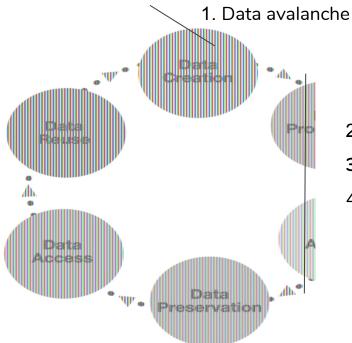


### Using the Anaconda distribution

Demo time!

- Start the Anaconda navigator
- Load a Jupyter notebook
- Make a plot

### **Outline: the research data life cycle**



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- 3. Project management
- 4. Good practices

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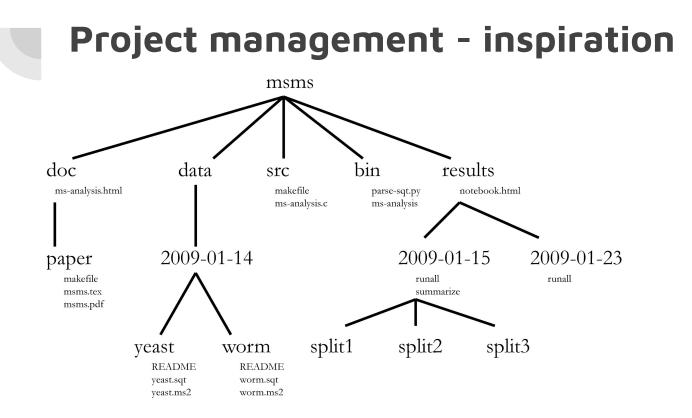
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### Project management

The core guiding principle is simple: **someone unfamiliar with your project should be able to look at your computer files and understand in detail what you did and why.** 

This "someone" could be:

- someone who read your published article and wants to try to reproduce your work
- a colleague who wants to understand the details of your experiments
- a student working in your lab who wants to extend your work after you have moved on to a new job
- your research supervisor, who may be interested in understanding your work
- Most commonly, however, that "someone" is you = your future self = you in 6 months



A Quick Guide to Organizing Computational Biology Projects Noble WS (2009) A Quick Guide to Organizing Computational Biology Projects. PLOS Computational Biology 5(7): e1000424. <u>https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1000424</u>



### **Project management - inspiration**

Project root (name = grant number for instance or project name e.g. "NWO-12826") README.txt >>> File that gives some explanations about the project

- 01\_Project info
  - 01. grants
  - 02. internship\_proposals
  - o 03. reports

o ...

- 02\_Experiments
  - 01.raw\_data
  - 02.data\_analysis
  - 03.protocols
- 03\_Code
  - Github\_repository\_number\_1
  - Github\_repository\_number\_2

- >>> only read permissions. Files should not be changed >>> intermediate files
- >>> for lab experiments
  - >>> equivalent to protocols but for the dry lab
  - >>> your scripts maintained using a version control system
  - >>> another folder with other useful scripts

- o ...
- 04\_Dissemination
  - 01.presentations
  - 02.publications
  - o 03.patents
  - o 04.outreach

>>> a lecture in a primary school, a science fair...

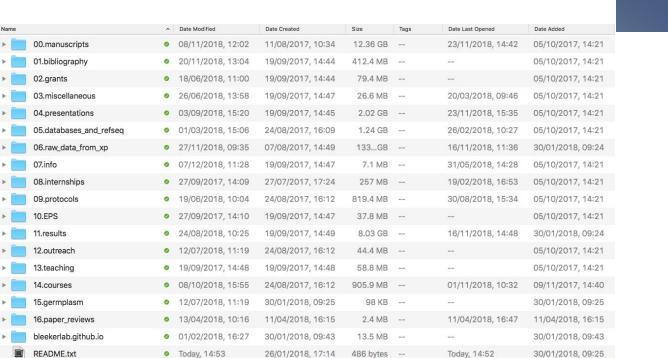
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### Project management - must do

- Write dates in YYYY-MM-DD = 2019-02-11 so that folders get ordered correctly
- Use two digits 01 02 03 and not 1 2 3 otherwise 12 gets before 2
- No spaces in file names or folders (because Shell does not like them)

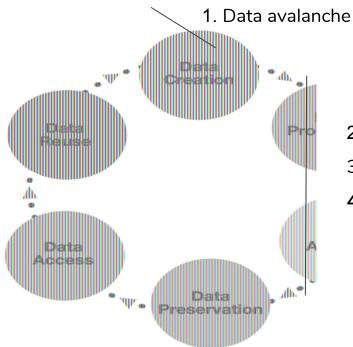


### My own way





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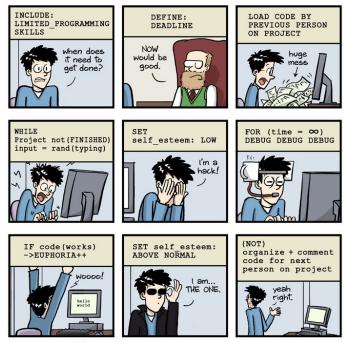
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# 4. Good practices in programming

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### Why are good practices needed?

#### PROGRAMMING FOR NON-PROGRAMMERS



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JORGE CHAM @ 2014

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# Good practices in programming

#### 1. Literate programming

- a. Document your code
- b. Give functions and variables meaningful names

#### 2. Re-use code

- a. Decompose programs into functions
- b. Eliminate duplications (make functions)
- c. Use well-maintained libraries
- 3. Dependencies: explicit what your program depends on
  - a. Libraries
  - b. Software versions
  - c. Operating System (OS)
  - d. Use containers and virtual environments (Docker, conda)
- 4. Version control: control and see what has changed

4. Good practices

### Good practices in programming

1. Literate programming

2. **Re-use code** # import the pandas data science library import pandas as pd

3. Dependencies: explicit what your program depends on

# use conda conda env create --name myenvironment

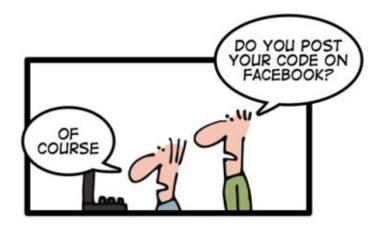
4. Version control: control and see what has changed

# stage your changes, commit and push
git add myscript.py
git commit -m "fixed mistake in
my\_counting\_function" myscript.py

Wilson G, Bryan J, Cranston K, Kitzes J, Nederbragt L, et al. (2017) Good enough practices in scientific computing. PLOS Computational Biology 13(6): e1005510. <u>https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005510</u>



### Code documentation





CODE COMMENTING MADE EASY

# Literate programming

### Code documentation

"Code is more often read than written." Guido Van Rossum

You're writing code documentation because:

- You will use your code in 6 months
- You want others to use your code and cite you
- You want to encourage others to contribute to your code
- You foster open science, reproducibility and good science ;-)

"It doesn't matter how good your software is, because **if the documentation is not good enough, people will not use it.**" <u>Daniele Procida</u>

Use of notebooks for reporting (Jupyter notebooks, Rmarkdown)

# Literate programming

### Code documentation

"Code is more often read than written." Guido Van Rossum

def say\_hello(name):
 """A simple function that says hello... Richie style"""
 print(f"Hello {name}, is it me you're looking for?")

>>> help(say\_hello)

Help on function say\_hello in module \_\_main\_\_:

say\_hello(name)

A simple function that says hello... Richie style

### Re-use code

If you copy and paste several times the same code, make a function! Easier to maintain, test and debug a few lines in one place

Import libraries and packages: import pandas as pd

Often the best packages and libraries have a thorough documentation.

Import your own functions:

In Python, if you have a "helper\_functions.py" file in the same directory:

from helper\_functions import my\_custom\_function

In R, if you have a "helper\_functions.py" file in the same directory:

source("helper\_functions.R")



### **Code dependencies**

Your code depends on others' code. List the dependencies: libraries, modules, etc.

In R, write the imports at the beginning of your script and get the session info at the end library("tidyverse")
sessionInfo()

In Python, import everything at the beginning. Make virtual environments import pandas as pd

### Handling dependencies with containers

In bioinformatics, one single analytical pipeline will rely on dozens of different softwares (versions)

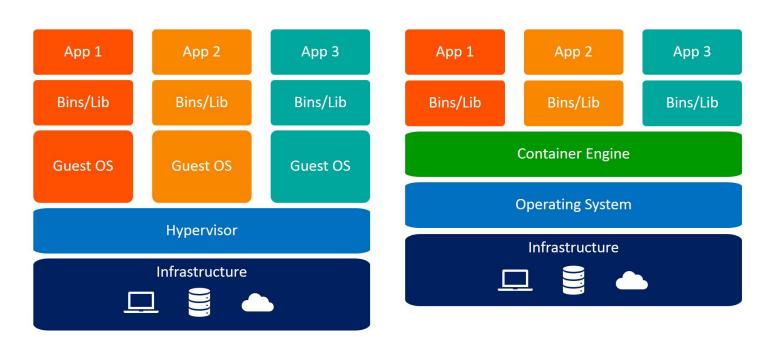
**Containerization**, allows one to package one or more programs together with everything that is needed to run those programs.







#### Singularity



### **Virtual Machines & Containerization**

Virtual Machines

Containers

# Singularity images



Singularity has many interesting features for bioinformatics

- 1. Does not need root privilege to run (lab supercomputer or HPC environment) (not like Docker)
- 2. Singularity images can be built easily on a laptop (Singularity is an actual file)
- 3. Images can be shared (Singularity Hub) from a Github repository. Just a text file.

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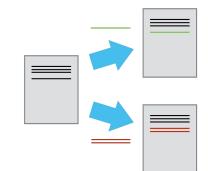
# Using a version control system

Saves every change you've made

Allows real-time collaboration (not "wait for that email")

You know who has done what and when in a document

Version control is the lab notebook of the digital world!





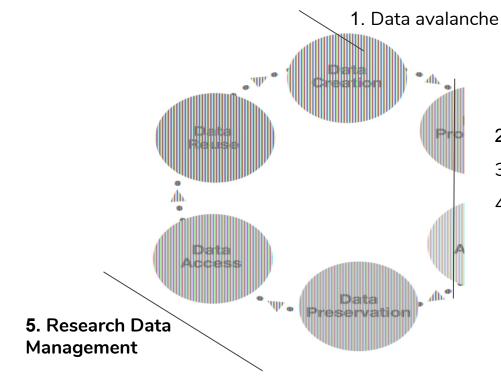
# Using a version control system

Demo time using Github!

- Go to Github.com and make an account
- Create a repository
- Write a protocol "protocol.md" online
- Make some changes
- Compare the changes



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### 5. Research Data Managemen

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What are data? Every information gathered necessary to reproduce a scientific result:

- numbers in spreadsheet, pictures, lab notebooks, etc.

Research Data management occurs at every step of the research data life

- before / during / after your project

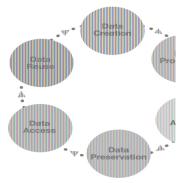
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Data management is also called "Data Stewardship"



Good research data management practice allows:

- ensure that data will be properly saved
- reliable verification of results (reproducibility / research integrity)
- allows new innovative research built on existing information.
- helps transdisciplinary investigations



Alisa Surkis and Kevin Read (2015). Research data management J Med Libr Assoc. 103(3):154–156. doi: 10.3163/1536-5050.103.3.011

5. Research Data Management

### **Overview**



**Data Management Plans** 





Active Data Management



**Data Preservation and Archiving** 



http://researchdata.berkeley.edu/



Go to App



### 5. Data Management Plan



#### Smart Data Management Plans for FAIR Open Science For Serious Researchers and Data Stewards

Dutch TechCenter for Life Sciences: https://ds-wizard.org/



# 5. Data Management Plan

Why a DMP? To ensure that you know how research data will be treated during and after your research project.

Ensures that data will be correctly treated: data format, backup, long-term storage, etc.

Explicit data access: licenses, public repositories (e.g. NCBI), etc.

Specify the associated costs....and who will pay for it!



# 5. Data Management Plan

What does a DMP should contain?

- Information about the data and their experimental information (metadata)
  - data description and format
  - metadata format and standards
  - data storage and backup
  - data organisation: naming conventions, version control
  - how will data be processed? Which softwares will be used?
- People responsible for the data management
- Access and intellectual property
- Longevity: how many years should the data be maintained?
- Budget, funding...

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data\_management\_plan



# 5. The FAIRness of data

The FAIR principles:



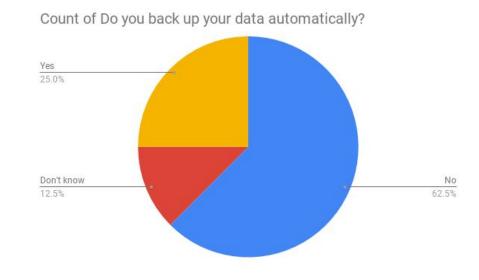
- Findability: data + code have a persistent identifier & rich metadata
- Accessibility: open protocol, accessible metadata
- Interoperability: controlled vocabulary, readable by machine & humans alike
- Reusability: domain-specific community standards, license, etc.

# SCIENTIFIC DATA

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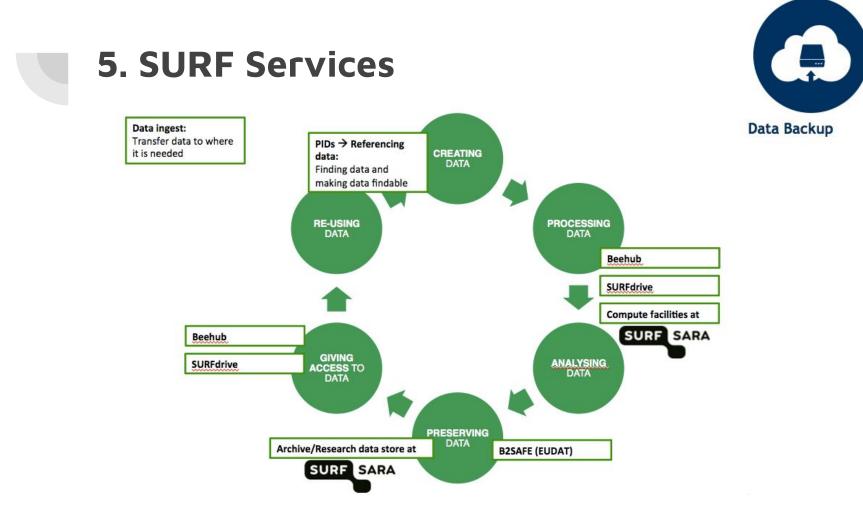
Is your data automatically backed up?

You want something:

- automatic (don't count on yourself!)
- cheap
- reliable

Often commercial solutions: Google, JottaCloud, etc.

**SURF** is the collaborative ICT (Information and Communication Technology) organisation for Dutch education and research.



# 5. Data sharing / SURFdrive



**SURFdrive** can be used to share data within a research group

An institutional, secure, national "Dropbox/Google Drive" solution.

SURFdrive complies with all Dutch and European privacy legislation. The data are stored safely in the Netherlands.

250GB available for free.







# 5. Data archiving (frozen)

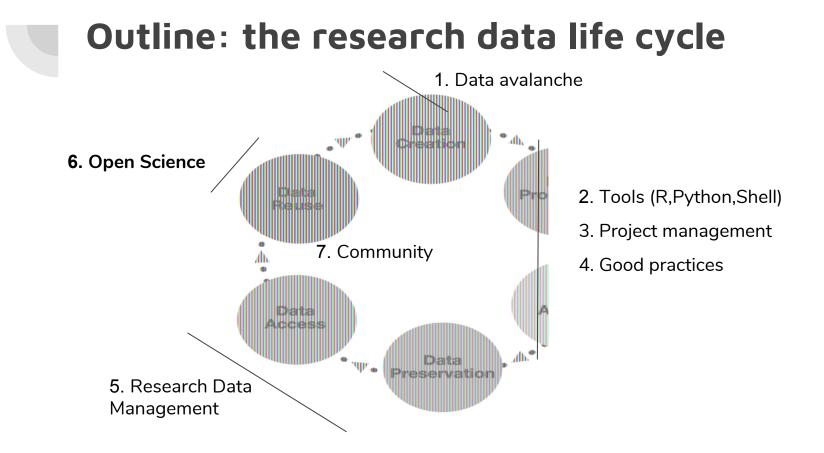
Tape Archive

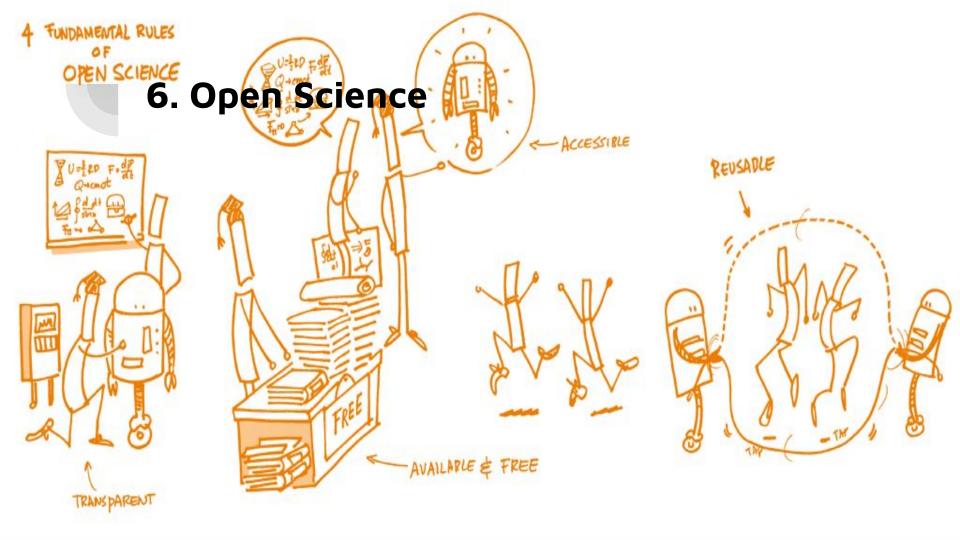
SURFsara Archive service

Zenodo (up to 50Gb per dataset)









## **Open Science definition**

Open Science is the practice of science in such a way...

...that others can collaborate and contribute...

...where research data, lab notes and other research processes are freely available...

...under terms that enable reuse, redistribution and reproduction of the research and its underlying data and methods.

A political statement + a daily practice + a change of mind for scientists

## **Open Science: what's the urge?**

Plan S: every publicly-funded research in the EU is to be made open access in journals in 2020

**Research data/code** from publicly-funded research should be freely available

Foster collaboration between labs and disciplines through easier exchange of data.

The "reproducibility crisis": hard to reproduce others' work, "null results", confirmation of others.

Improve research integrity: avoid data manipulation. Cases with PubPeer & article retractation

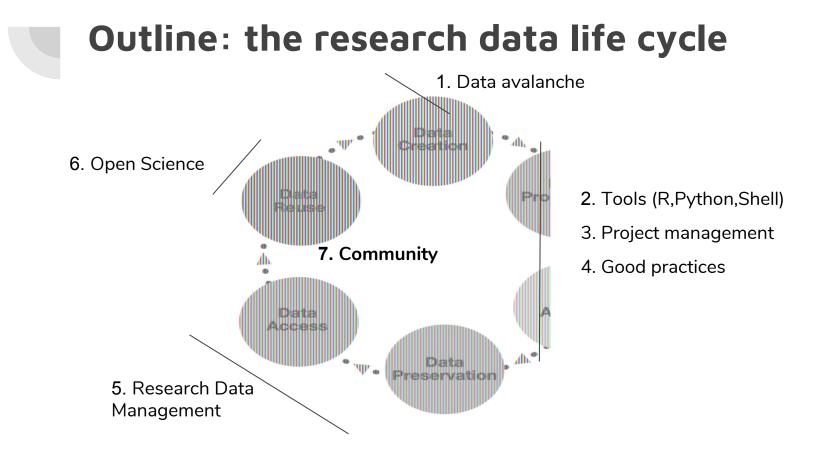
## **Open Science: what can you do?**

Publish datasets before/along your biological story for instance in Nature Scientific Data Candela et al. (2015) Data journals: a survey.<u>https://doi.org/10.1002/asi.23358</u>

Deposit data in public repositories: Zenodo, FigShare, etc.

Treat your code openly: license, documentation, integration Glthub-Zenodo

Publish your software in a dedicated journal e.g. Journal of Open Software



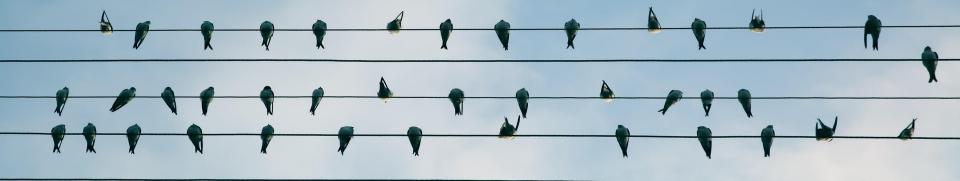
### 7. Build a local community



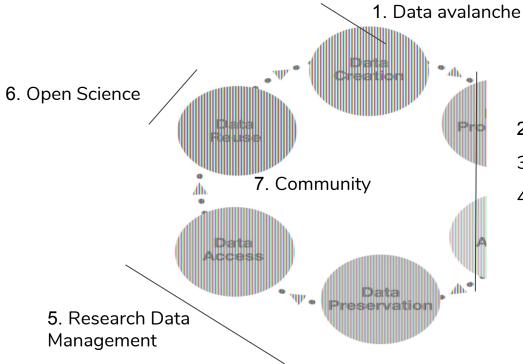
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### 7. Build a local community

https://slides.com/mgalland/the-amsterdam-science-park-study-group-2



## Conclusion: the research data life cycle



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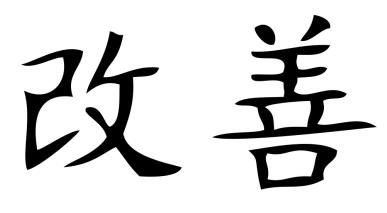
### Conclusions

Documentation is key: data, scripts, project, workflows...

"Every scientist is a data scientist!" -- Till Bey, 2018

"It's never too late to start coding" -- Sarah Stolle, 2018

Kaizen: continuous improvement



"change"

"better"





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### Where to find this presentation?

Archived on Zenodo: the archive of the CERN particle collider

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### **Resources for Shell and R**

- Software Carpentry Lesson on Shell: <u>http://swcarpentry.github.io/shell-novice/</u>
- The official R project website: <u>https://www.r-project.org/</u>
- The Bioconductor project (tools for genomics): <u>https://www.bioconductor.org/</u>
  - An example workflow:

http://master.bioconductor.org/packages/release/workflows/vignettes/rnas egGene/inst/doc/rnasegGene.html

- Hadley Wickham, conceptor of ggplot2 and chief scientist at RStudio
  - Personal website with plenty of useful links: <u>http://hadley.nz/</u>
  - R for data science: <u>https://r4ds.had.co.nz/</u>

### **Resources for Python**

- Python foundation: <u>https://www.python.org/psf/</u>
- Learning Python for non-programmers:

https://wiki.python.org/moin/BeginnersGuide/NonProgrammers

- Ekmekci B, McAnany CE, Mura C (2016) An Introduction to Programming for Bioscientists: A Python-Based Primer. PLOS Computational Biology 12(6): e1004867. <u>https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1004867</u>
- Software Carpentry lessons on Python:

https://swcarpentry.github.io/python-novice-inflammation/

### Literature

Papers

- Building a local community of practice in scientific programming for life scientists. Stevens SLR, Kuzak M, Martinez C, Moser A, Bleeker P and Galland M (2018) PLOS Biology 16(11): e2005561.
- <u>Good enough practices in scientific computing</u>. Wilson G, Bryan J, Cranston K, Kitzes J, Nederbragt L, et al. (2017) Good enough practices in scientific computing. PLOS Computational Biology 13(6): e1005510.
- <u>Tidy data</u>. Hadley Wickham (2014). Journal of Statistical Software 59(10). A demo is also accessible <u>here</u>.
- <u>Computing Workflows for Biologists: A Roadmap</u>. Shade A, Teal TK (2015) Computing PLoS Biol 13(11): e1002303. doi:10.1371/journal.pbio.1002303.

#### Books

• Vince Buffalo: "Bioinformatics Data Skills"

### **Online resources**

Online training: Data Camp, Coursera, etc.

Software Dependencies:

• <u>https://cloud4scieng.org/singularity-a-container-system-for-hpc-applications/</u>

Research Data Management (Data Stewardship)

- Presentation by Daphné van Beek (UMC) <u>https://zenodo.org/record/2328660</u>
- Data archives: <u>Zenodo</u>, <u>FigShare</u>, <u>DataverseNL</u>
- Code is also data: <u>how to publish it using Github and Zenodo</u> (UC Berkeley)

Forums: Biostars, Stack Overflow, R-bloggers, etc.

**Tutorials & training materials** 

- <u>Dave Tang:</u> lots and lots of tips for computational biology and genomics
- <u>GOBLET</u>: training resource in bioinformatics (lots of material!)



**Open Science:** <u>https://open-science-training-handbook.gitbook.io/</u>