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Reproducibility Resources & Tools

Data management

Harvard University Data Management page <https://datamanagement.hms.harvard.edu>

Kbroman Lab <http://kbroman.org/dataorg> (Short primer on data storage and handling)

Purdue Library <http://guides.lib.purdue.edu/c.php?g=353013&p=2378292> (Short primer on data management and file naming conventions)

Data One Best Practices <https://www.dataone.org/best-practices> (Detailed resource on how to handle data throughout its life-cycle)

Best Practices for Biomedical Research Data Management MOOC

<http://bit.ly/HMS-RDM-MOOC> (Online course aimed at a broad audience on recommended practices for managing research data)

Electronic Lab Notebooks (ELN)

Harvard University ELN guide <https://tinyurl.com/Harvard-ELN> (Great summary about current ELNs and what they do)

Benchling <https://benchling.com/> (free)

Evernote <https://evernote.com/> (free and \$\$)

Labguru <https://www.labguru.com/> (\$)

sciNote <https://scinote.net/> (open source, free)

Open Science Framework <https://osf.io/> (free)

Code

Github <https://github.com/> (code repository; free for public repos)

Jupyter Notebooks <http://jupyter.org/> (open source web-app for creating & sharing live code, equations, and more)

Code Ocean <https://codeocean.com/> (computational reproducibility platform; free to upload, share & publish executable code with DOI; pay for more computing time over freemium limit)

Conda and BioConda <https://conda.io/docs/> and <https://bioconda.github.io/> (A operating system independent package environment manager for the command line)

Docker and Biocontainers <https://docs.docker.com/> and <http://biocontainers.pro> (A container ecosystem to package code and data on the command line.)

Binder <https://mybinder.org/> (A tool to make your github repository an online docker image run in the cloud)

Galaxy <https://usegalaxy.org/> (A web and graphic interface based bioinformatics platform. Needs local set-up for larger data handling.)

Reagents

Addgene <https://www.addgene.org/> (nonprofit plasmid repository)

CiteAb <https://www.citeab.com/> (antibody search engine with results sorted by citations)

Quartzy <https://www.quartzy.com/> (manage lab inventory)

Resource Identification Portal (RRIDs) <https://scicrunch.org/resources> (unique identified for antibodies, model organisms, and tools used in PubMed or PMC)

Methods

Bio-Protocol <https://bio-protocol.org/> (A peer-reviewed protocol journal; free to read & publish)

protocols.io <http://protocols.io/> (an open access repository of science methods; free to read & publish)

Data

DataDryad <http://datadryad.org/> (curated digital repository; free to access, \$120 to publish dataset up to 20GB)

Figshare <http://datadryad.org/> (free digital repository, 5GB per file limit)

Zenodo <https://zenodo.org/> (free digital repository; 50GB per dataset limit)

Authoring

Zotero <https://www.zotero.org/> (free and open-source reference management software to manage bibliographic data and related research materials)

Mendeley <https://www.mendeley.com/> (free desktop & web program reference manager)

RefWorks <https://refworks.proquest.com/> (web-based commercial reference management software package)

Authorea <https://www.authorea.com/> (free online real-time collaborative writing & publishing system with unlimited collaborators)

Overleaf <https://www.overleaf.com/> (free online collaborative writing & publishing system)

Manuscripts <https://www.manuscriptsapp.com/> (offline Mac app authoring tool; free unlimited usage)

Practical tips for reproducibility

1. Plan for reproducibility before you start
 - a. **Write a study plan or protocol** and track new versions.
 - b. **Set-up a reproducible project** using an electronic lab notebook to organize and track your work. Avoid saving proprietary file formats.

2. Keep track of things
 - a. **Preregister** important study design and analysis information. Free tools to help you make your first registration include [AsPredicted](#), [Open Science Framework](#), and [Registered Reports](#). Clinical trials use [Clinicaltrials.gov](#).
 - b. **Track changes** to your files using version control.
 - c. **Document** everything done by hand in a README file and data dictionary. **Karl Broman's Data Organization**: <http://kbroman.org/dataorg/pages/dictionary.html>

3. Report your research transparently
 - a. **Share your protocols and interventions** explicitly and transparently.
 - b. **Write a transparent report**. Guidelines from the [Equator Network](#) or processes like [Registered Reports](#) can help.
 - c. **Collect, organize, cite, and share research** with reference management tools [Mendeley](#), [RefWorks](#) or [Zotero](#). **Collaborate on manuscripts** using collaborative writing and publishing systems including [Authorea](#) and [Overleaf](#).

4. Archive & share your materials
 - a. **Share and licence your research**
 - i. Data
 1. Avoid supplementary files, licence, and share your data using a repository. **How to License Research Data**: <http://www.dcc.ac.uk/resources/how-guides/license-research-data>.
 - ii. Materials & reagents
 1. Licence your published materials so they can be reused. **Creative Commons License Picker**: <https://creativecommons.org/choose/>
 2. Deposit reagents with repositories like [Addgene](#), [The Bloomington Drosophila Stock Center](#), and [ATCC](#) to make them easily accessible to other researchers.
 - iii. Software
 1. Licence your code using [Code Ocean](#) or [Github](#). **Open Source Licences**: <https://opensource.org/licenses>.

5. Further reading:

- **Ten Simple Rules for Reproducible Computational Research:**
<http://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article?id=10.1371/journal.pcbi.1003285>
- **Reproducibility in Science:** <http://ropensci.github.io/reproducibility-guide/>
- **Open Science MOOC:** <https://opensciencemooc.eu/> and <https://opensciencemooc.github.io/site/Resources/#three>
- **Tools and Resources for Reproducibility Series at protocols.io:**
goo.gl/r7GKMA
- **Managing Laboratory Notebooks** <http://colinpurrington.com/tips/lab-notebooks>
- **General File and Folder Organization**
<https://zapier.com/blog/organize-files-folders/>
- **File Naming Conventions**
<http://www.exadox.com/en/articles/file-naming-convention-ten-rules-best-practice>

6. Example studies:

- **Gene family innovation, conservation and loss on the animal stem lineage**
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.34226>
 - Protocols: [dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.kwscxees](https://doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.kwscxees)
 - Data: <https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.5686984.v2>
- **A robust method for transfection in choanoflagellates illuminates their cell biology and the ancestry of animal septins**
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.1101/343111>
 - Protocols: <http://www.protocols.io/groups/king-lab>
 - Constructs: http://www.addgene.org/Nicole_King
- **Implicating candidate genes at GWAS signals by leveraging topologically associating domains**
 - Paper: <https://dx.doi.org/10.1038/ejhg.2017.108>
 - Code: <https://zenodo.org/record/163950#.W0hqTdJKjIU>
 - Docker workflow: <https://zenodo.org/record/166556#.W0hqc9JKjIU>
- **mcSCRB-seq: sensitive and powerful single-cell RNA sequencing**
 - Protocol: [dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.p9kdr4w](https://doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.p9kdr4w)
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.1101/188367>
 - Code: https://github.com/cziegenhain/Bagnoli_2017
- **TransRate: reference-free quality assessment of de novo transcriptome assemblies**
 - Paper: <https://dx.doi.org/10.1101/2Fgr.196469.115>
 - Code: <https://github.com/Blahah/transrate>
 - Tutorial: <http://hibberdlab.com/transrate/>
- **Genomic insights into members of the candidate phylum Hyd24-12 common in mesophilic anaerobic digesters**
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.1038/ismej.2016.43>

- Code: <https://github.com/Kirk3gaard/Publications>
- **Experimenting with Reproducibility: a case study of Robustness in Bioinformatics**
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.1093/gigascience/giy077>
 - Code: <https://github.com/sje30/waverepo>
- **A Bayesian Mixture Modelling Approach For Spatial Proteomics**
 - Paper: <https://doi.org/10.1101/282269>
 - Code: <https://github.com/lgatto/2018-tagm-paper>

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