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## Practical tips for open science, open access and open data

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# Outline

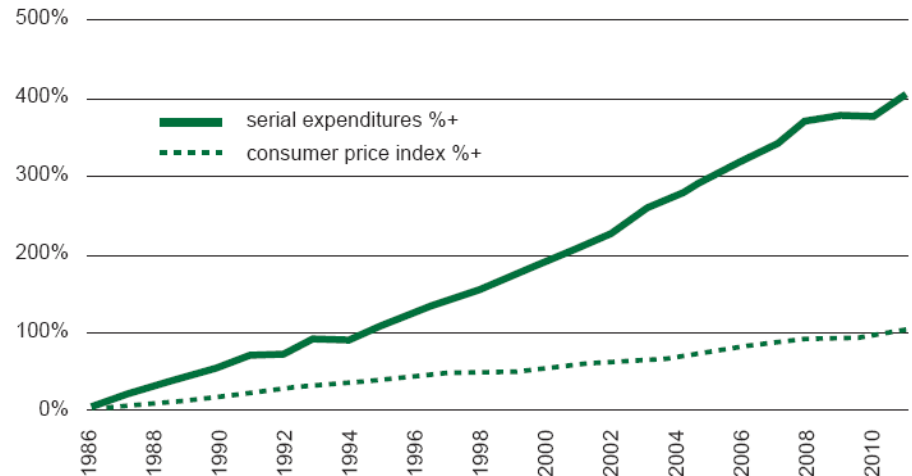
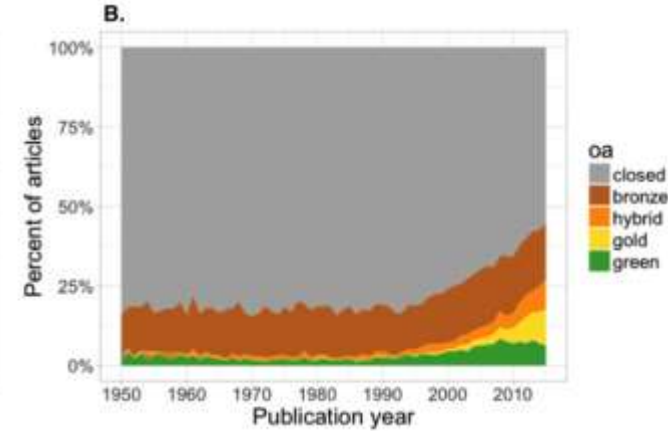
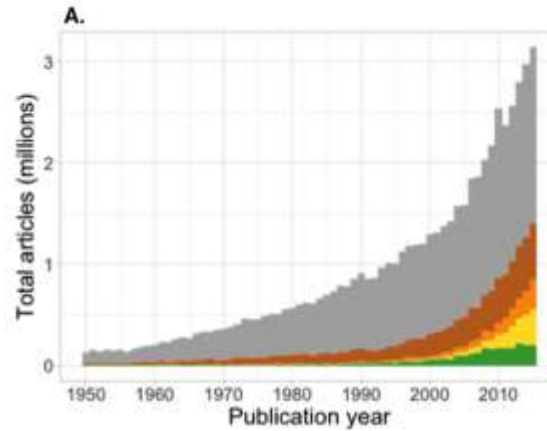
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# Challenges in research

- Access crisis
- Reproducibility crisis
- Serials crisis
- Evaluation crisis



# What is open science?



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# What is Open Science?



**What do we mean when we talk about Open Science?**

Image courtesy of Robin Champieux

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.

[FOSTER, Open Science Definition:  
<https://www.fosteropenscience.eu/foster-taxonomy/open-science-definition>]

... but isn't this just science?



# Barriers to Open Science

## Fear of

- Scooping or ideas being stolen
- Not being credited for ideas
- Errors and public humiliation
- Risk to reputation
- Reduced scientific quality
- Information overload

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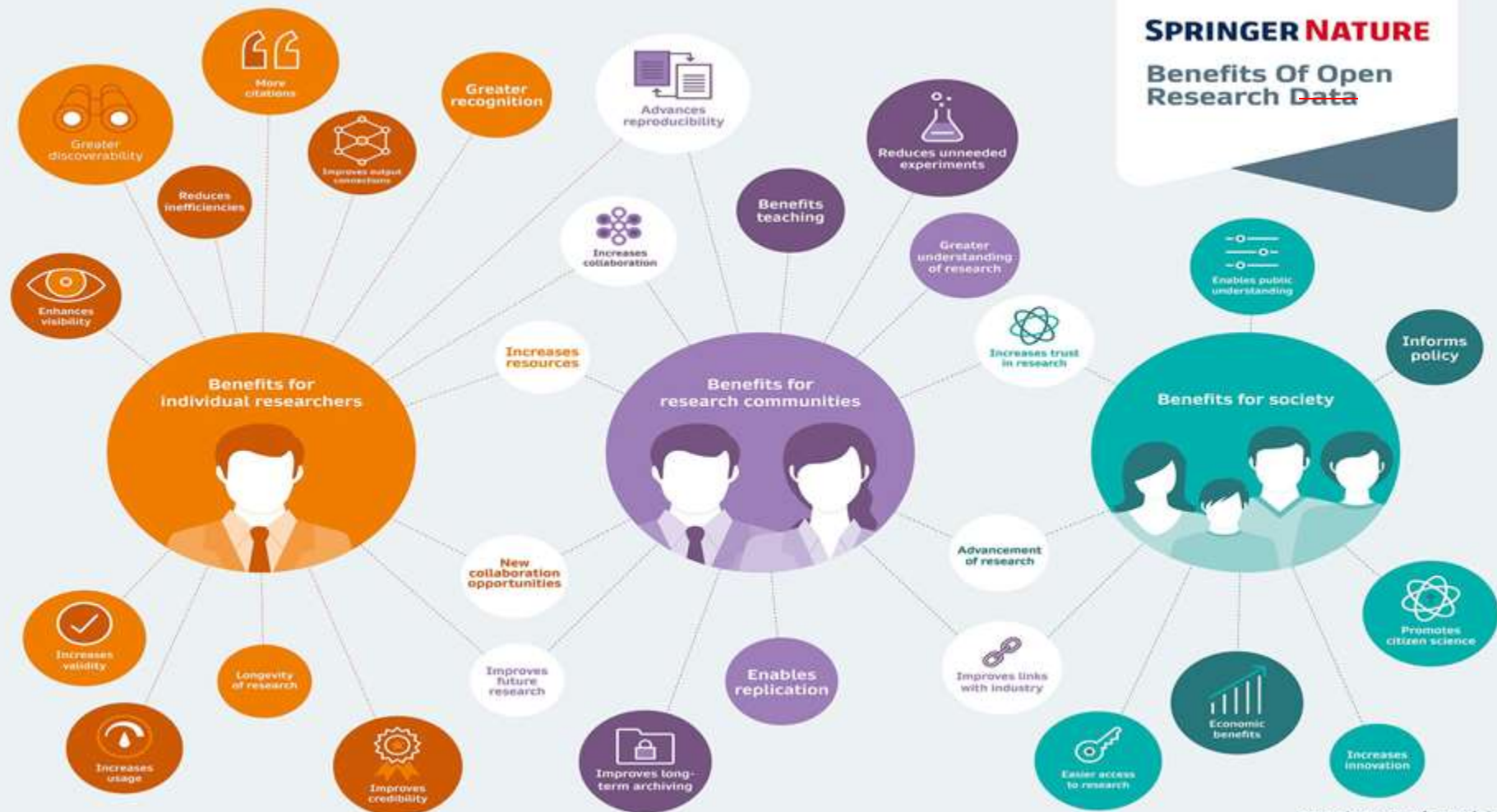
# Barriers to Open Science



John R. McKiernan <http://whyopenresearch.org>

- Lack of awareness and training
- Cultural inertia and misinformation
- Challenging the establishment
- Follow the status quo to succeed
- Perceived lack of reward
- Not considered for promotion
- Requires additional skills
- Takes time
- Publication bias towards novel findings









# Declaration On Research Assessment

Improving how research is assessed

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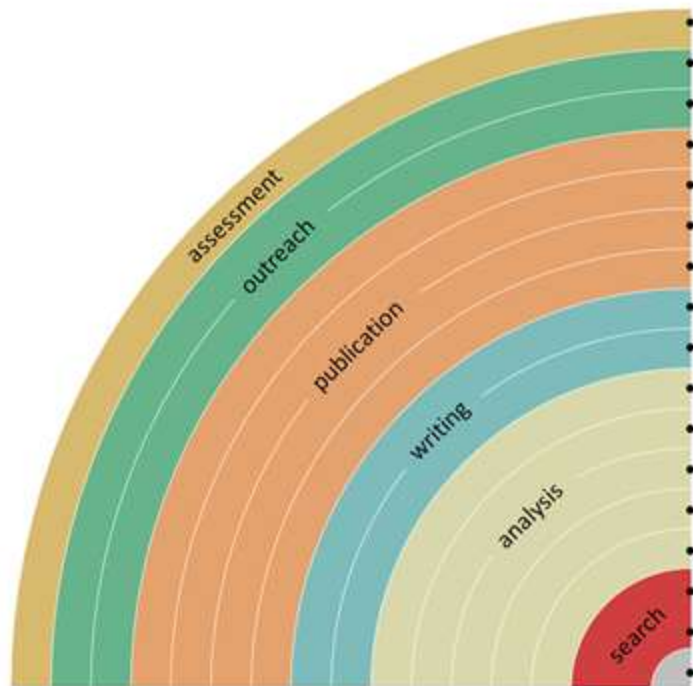
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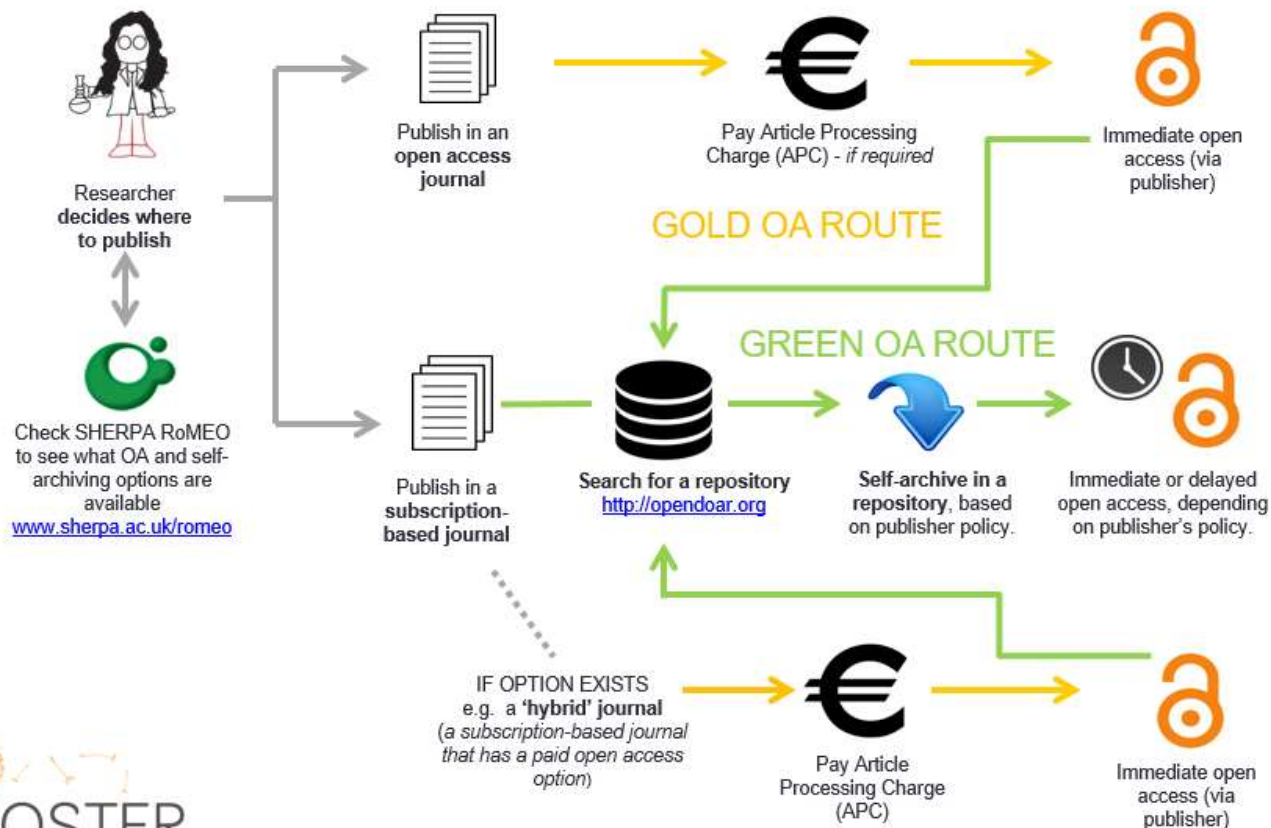
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# Open access

# Open access

- Sir Osler - first formal journal club in Montreal  
*“for the purchase and distribution of periodicals which he could ill afford to subscribe as an individual”*
- Only results that can be discussed, challenged, tested and reproduced by others qualify as scientific.
- Science, an institution of organised criticism
- New research builds on results from previous research.

# Routes to open access publication



## Preprint

- Manuscript



- Submit to Publisher
- Peer Review
- Edit

## Postprint

- Accepted Manuscript



- Accepted by publisher
- Copyediting

## Published

- Version of record





# Plan S/cOAlition S

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By 2020, research funded by public grants must be published in open access journals or platforms.

- Publication fees should be standardized and capped, covered by funders or universities;
- Hybrid open-access journals are not compliant;
- Funders commit to value intrinsic merit of research outputs in making funding decisions, not the publication channel, IF, or publisher.

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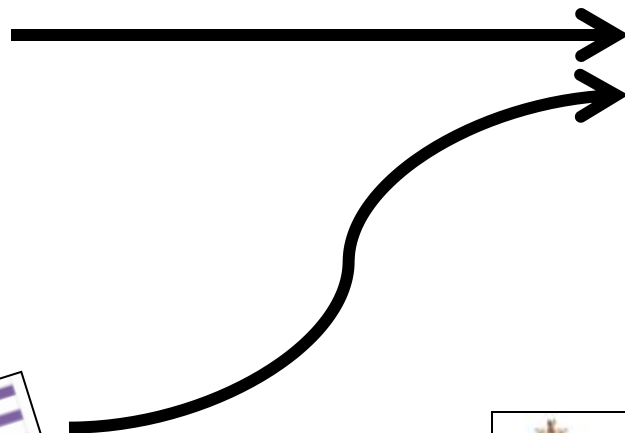
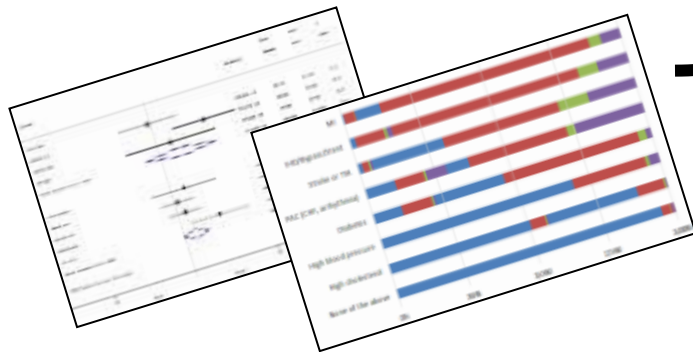
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# Open data



# Data sharing policies

BMJ: data sharing statement for all research papers.

- For reports of clinical trials: relevant anonymised patient level data available on reasonable request.

PLOS One: all data fully available without restriction at the time of publication.

- If public sharing legally/ethically impossible, indicate how data may be accessed (not solely contact the author).

EU Commission: a flexible pilot which has been extended.

# Benefits of open data

- Allowing greater access to data to build upon and create new research from publicly accessible data.
- Enhancing the visibility of one's research.
- Allows analysis to be reproduced and verified.
- Increasing researcher transparency and reducing academic fraud.
- Ensuring compliance with funding agency mandates and journal publishing policies.



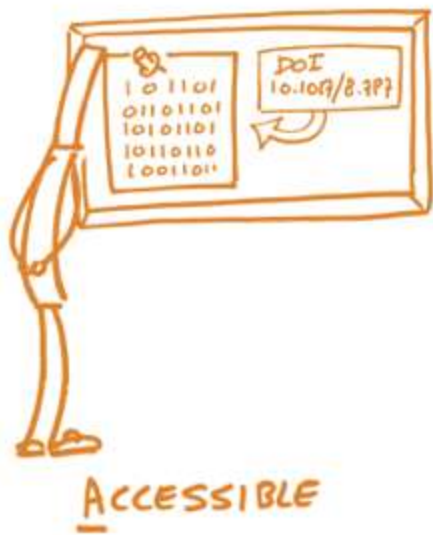
Your primary collaborator is yourself 6 months from now, and your past self doesn't answer emails.

<https://dynamicceology.wordpress.com/2015/02/18/the-biggest-benefit-of-my-shift-to-r-reproducibility/>



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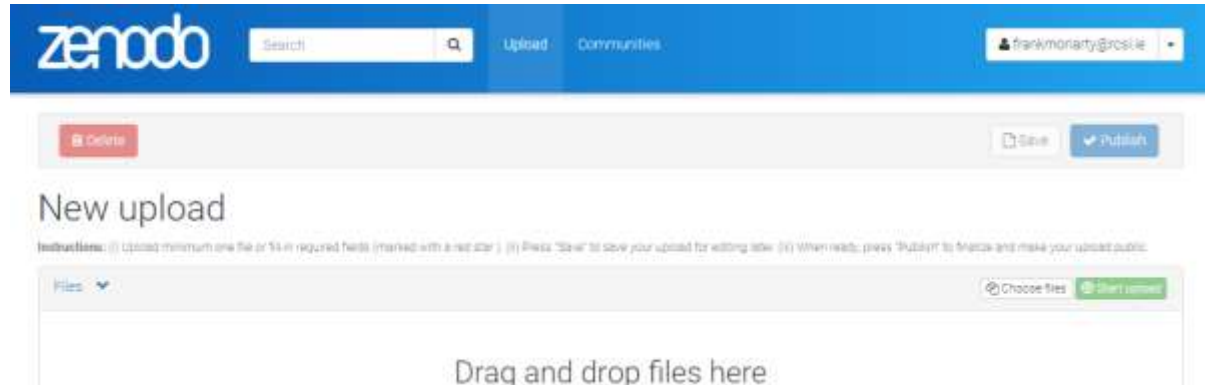
## FAIR DATA PRINCIPLES



# Where?




# How?



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# How?



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# Summary

- Open access now compulsory in many cases
- Open data also gaining prominence
- Both relatively easy to achieve

“ Future generations will look on the term "open science" as a tautology - a throwback from an era before science woke up. **Open science will simply become known as science,** and the closed, secretive practices that define our current culture will seem as primitive to them as alchemy is to us.

- Brian Nosek & Chris Chambers (Psychology)

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