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Transforming Research Communication: Knowledge Management and Data Publishing

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It's noisy out there!



Opportunities for Data Exchange





Research Projects

"Co-operation between libraries, publishers and data centres is important when developing common structures and services. Examples include data publication, quality assurance, peer review, citation, linking and persistent identifiers."

Goal of OpenAIRE is to collect, manage and make accessible FP7 and European Research Council funded articles. In addition to those publications OpenAIREplus will also harvest, index and link metadata of scientific datasets.

The vision of SIM4RDM is to enable researchers to effectively use emerging data infrastructures by ensuring that they have the knowledge, skills and support infrastructures necessary to adopt good research data management practices.

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Geoscience Data Journal, Wiley Blackwell and the Royal Meteorological Society

- supported by NERC in particular the British Atmospheric Data Centre
- Partnership formed between **Royal Meteorological Society** and academic publishers **Wiley Blackwell** to develop a mechanism for the formal publication of data in the Open Access *Geoscience Data Journal*
- **GDJ** publishes short data papers cross-linked to, and citing, datasets that have been deposited in approved data centres and awarded DOIs (or other permanent identifier).
- A data article describes a dataset, giving details of its collection, processing, software, file formats etc, without the requirement of novel analyses or ground breaking conclusions. It allows the reader to understand the when, how and why data was collected and what the data-product is.



Why publish data?

- Provide academic credit to scientists who create and manage data
 - without diverting effort from their main work on ensuring data quality.
- Ensures that the dataset is uploaded to a trusted repository where it will be archived and curated properly.
- Peer-review process also reassures the funder that the published dataset is of good quality and that the experiment was carried out appropriately.
- Allows researchers outside the immediate field to discover data and learn access conditions.
- Shows transparency in the scientific process, improving public accountability.



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1. Introduction

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One of the regional scale meteorological systems that affect the weather over a major part of the South American tropics is the South Atlantic Convergence Zone (SACZ). This system somewhat plays the same role for the South American monsoon (Vera *et al.*, 2006; Carvalho *et al.*, 2010) as does the monsoon trough for the South Asian summer monsoon (Keshavamurty and Awade, 1970). The cloud band associated with SACZ extends from the Amazon Basin (Amazonia) to the South Atlantic subtropics, over a stretch of 4000 km or more (Kodama, 1992; Satyamurty *et al.*, 1998) and affects many regions of Brazil with intense rainfall. Some SACZ events are especially intense over interior South American continent (Carvalho *et al.*, 2004; Muza and Carvalho, 2006), strongly affecting Amazonia.

Guidelines & Workflows

For Authors:

- —Are there guidelines on how to structure a Data Paper?
- -How can I submit a Data Paper to Geoscience Data Journal?
- —What is a **Digital Object Identifier** (**DOI**) and why should datasets have them?
- -What alternative permanent identifiers are allowable?

For Data Centers:

- -How do data centers fit in to the GDJ ecosystem?
- -What would my data center have to do to be approved by GDJ?
- -Is the repository approval a lengthy process?
- —Is there any support or guidance available from the journal? Whom do I contact to get my repository approved?.
- -Once approved what then?
- —What are the benefits of encouraging researchers to submit to GDJ?

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Peer REview for Publication & Accreditation of Research Data in the Earth sciences (PREPARDE)

- Best Practices in Data Citation
- Building workflows from all viewpoints (researcher, publisher, data center manager)
 Who controls which process?
- What makes a repository trustworthy?
- Peer review of data is implicitly peer review of repository
- Engagement
 - contribution to human knowledge
 - reliability



Project team, roles and responsibilities

- University of Leicester (UoL): project lead, academic liaison and administration
- British Atmospheric Data Centre (BADC): project management
- Wiley-Blackwell: provide publishing platform
- California Digital Library (CDL): investigate a lightweight data paper convention
- US National Centre for Atmospheric Research (NCAR): use cases of data review methods
- F1000: contribute broader perspective from the biomedical sciences
- Digital Curation Centre: assess peer review models & overlap with data repository appraisal and ingest processes



Further Information and Next Steps

Website: http://proj.badc.rl.ac.uk/preparde/

To date: Talks/Workshops/Town Halls at Goldschmidt, SpotOn London, CODATA, ACRE, AGU Fall Meeting

Forthcoming: IDCC workshop #IDCC13 - 17 Jan 2013, Amsterdam Workshop at British Library March 2013

Planned: Talk/Splinter Meeting at EGU, April 2013

Other? Suggestions please!

Opportunities: Join the mailing list, review draft guidelines, documents, test workflows, encourage researchers to submit data papers.....



"Publishing research without data is advertising, not science"

Cameron Neylon, Graham Steel, & Others



Thank you!

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