# Data Management Plans Through the Eyes of the United States National Science Foundation

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# Summary and Objectives

- The National Science Foundation (NSF): Who we are
- Overview of the current Public Access and Data Management Plan requirements
- Challenges and Considerations for (A)DMPs
- Next steps

## **NSF** Mission



#### Characteristics of NSF: Ubiquity, Urgency, and Engagement

#### Ubiquity

Advances in science and engineering are permeating the way we work, communicate, learn, and discover.

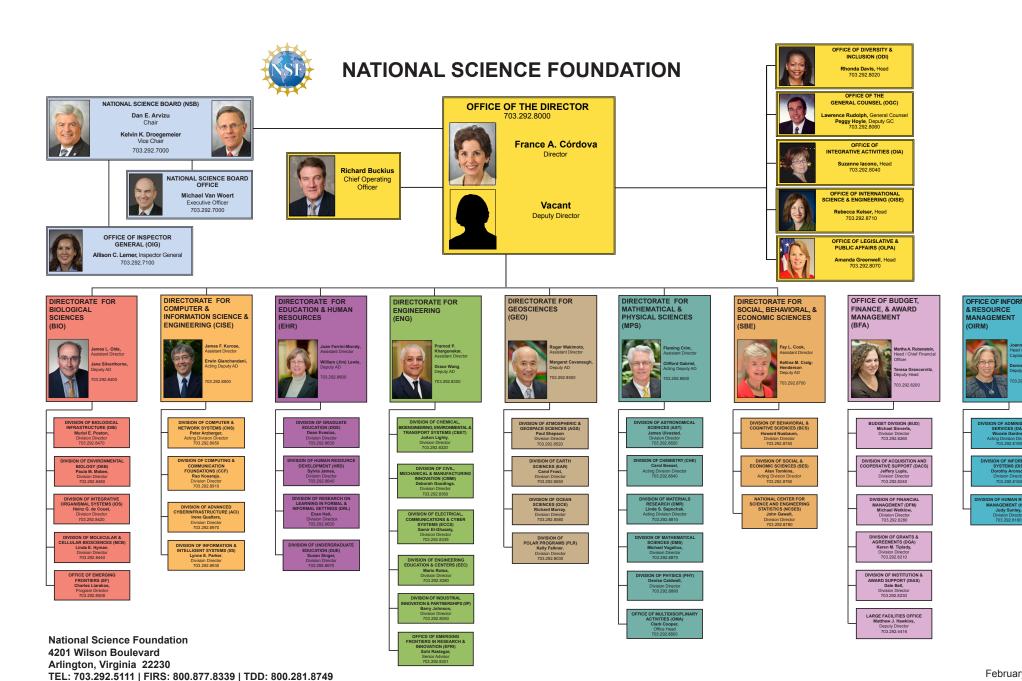
#### Urgency

NSF research and education are rapidly evolving and accelerating the pace of discovery and innovation, with profound societal and economic impact.

#### Engagement

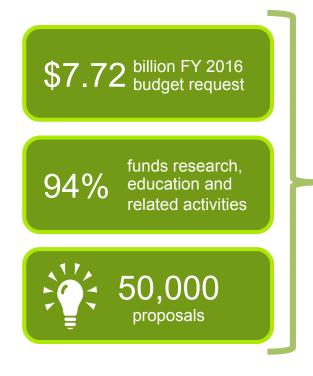
The key strength and asset of NSF is the scientific community and the general public and their engagement.

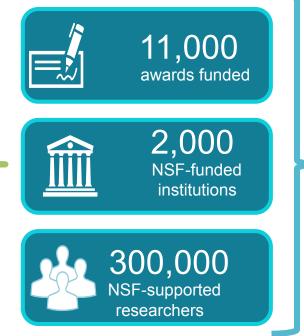




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# NSF by the Numbers







# U. S. Federal Policy on Public Access

- U.S. Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) issued a memo in March 2013.
  - directed federal agencies to develop plans to make publicly available to the "greatest extent and with the fewest constraints possible and consistent with law" the "direct results of federally funded scientific research."

## **NSF** Public Access

- Clear and open communication of research results is central to the progress of science
  - Publications
  - Data (full range of research products)



[NSF] "continues its commitment to expand public access to the results of its funded research. Public access is intended to accelerate the dissemination of fundamental research results that will advance the frontiers of knowledge and help ensure the nation's future prosperity"

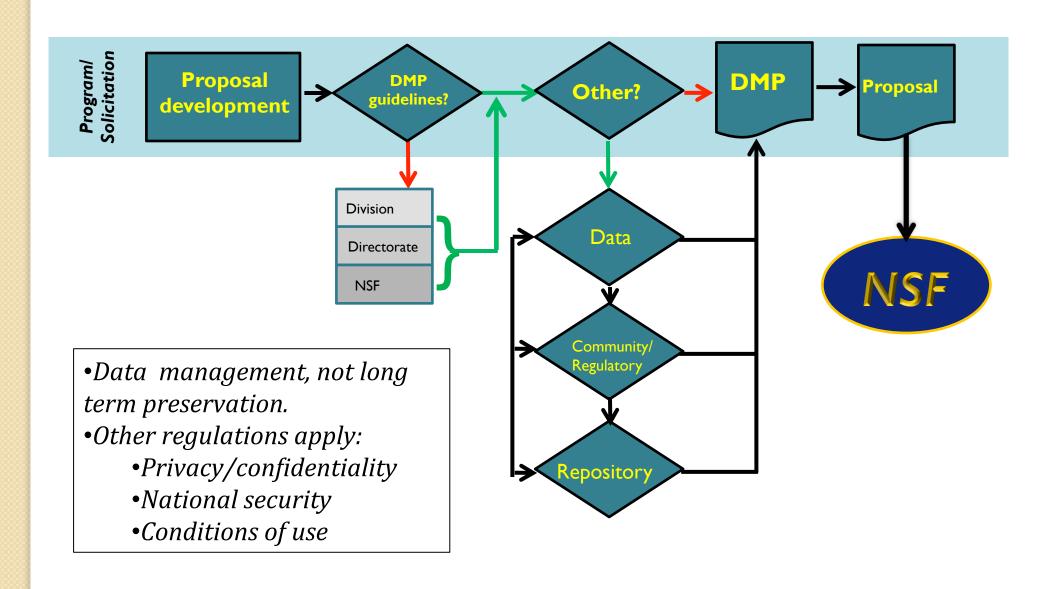
# NSF Response to OSTP Memo

- NSF developed a plan that is consistent with OSTP policy objectives
  - Publication deposit in support of public access is a new requiremen
    - Deposit is separate, but integrated with reporting in Research.gov to minimize burden
    - Builds on existing reporting requirements
    - Article Processing charges can be requested as a direct cost, as is conficted policy
  - Current DMP policies remain in place with activities intended to enable consistent identification, description, and management through the directorates/communities

## NFS Public Access Plan: data management approach

#### Key points:

- "data management is dynamic and practices vary substantially across the broad range of scientific disciplines supported by NSF" [NSF 15-52]
- "What constitutes reasonable data management and access will be determined by the community of interest through the process of peer review and program management." [Data Management & Sharing Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)]
- bottom-up implementation in context of top-down guiding principles
  - "one size" does not fit all of science, engineering and education



Guidelines are community driven

# NSF's Data Sharing Policy covers: (1)

#### Publication

a. Investigators are expected to promptly prepare and submit for publication, with authorship to accurately reflects the contributions of those involved, all significant findings from work conducted to NSF grants. Grantees are expected to permit and encourage such publication by those a performing that work, unless a grantee intends to publish or disseminate such findings itself.

#### Data (independent of format)

b. Investigators are expected to share with other researchers, at no more than incremental coswithin a reasonable time, the primary data, samples, physical collections and other supporting materials created or gathered in the course of work under NSF grants. Grantees are expected encourage and facilitate such sharing. Privileged or confidential information should be released a form that protects the privacy of individuals and subjects involved. General adjustments and, essential, exceptions to this sharing expectation may be specified by the funding NSF Program Division/Office for a particular field or discipline to safeguard the rights of individuals and subjects investigators. A grantee or investigator also may request a particular adjustment or exception for the cognizant NSF Program Officer.

# NSF's Data Sharing Policy covers: (2)

#### Software and inventions

c. Investigators and grantees are encouraged to share software and inventions created under the grant or otherwise make them or their products widely available and usable.

#### • Intellectual property

d. NSF normally allows grantees to retain principal legal rights to intellectual property developed under NSF grants to provide incentives for development and dissemination of inventions, softward publications that can enhance their usefulness, accessibility and upkeep. Such incentives do however, reduce the responsibility that investigators and organizations have as members of the scientific and engineering community, to make results, data and collections available to other researchers.

#### Decentralized administration

e. NSF program management will implement these policies for dissemination and sharing of results, in a way appropriate to field and circumstances, through the proposal review process; taward negotiations and conditions; and through appropriate support and incentives for data clearly documentation, dissemination, storage and the like.

# NSF's current data management plan:

- Is a required element of all proposals (two-page limit
- Describes how the PI will conform to data policy associated with the competition to which the propos submitted. If none exists, to NSF's generic policy
- Is evaluated during merit review as Intellectual Merit Broader Impacts or both, as appropriate
- May simply say "No plan is needed", but this needs a justification. Statement will be subject to peer and Program Officer review/consideration

# DMP may include:

- Types of data, samples, physical collections, software, curriculum materials, and other materials to be produced in the course of the project;
- Standards to be used for data and metadata format and content (document where existing standards are absent or deemed inadequate, along with any proposed solutions or remedies);
- **Policies for access and sharing** including provisions for appropriate protection of privacy, confidentiality, security, intellectual property, or other rights or requirements;
- Policies and provisions for re-use, re-distribution, and the production of derivatives; and
- Plans for archiving data, samples, and other research products, and for preservation of access to them.

# Challenges for DMP development

- Trade-offs between ease of use and protections
- Provenance
  - Versioning of software, workflows, and data
  - IP difficult to establish
  - Future uses difficult to define
- New data, new risks
  - Social media as a source of data
  - "Trace" data

## More considerations for DMPs

- Specific attention to the physical disposition of the da
  - Where are the data to be deposited?
  - Are the basic security controls in place
  - What restrictions, if any, may be imposed? For how long? An for whom?
- Willingness to differentiate between the "raw" data (which may be restricted, as appropriate) and the moand techniques (which can be released)

## DMP: Where do we go from here?

- Individual directorates undertaking self-studies in anticipation of providing updated DMP guidance
  - What do investigators actually do?
  - Is the DMP effective?
- Under discussion:
  - foundation-wide workshop
  - pilots using persistent identifiers
- Longer term:
  - exploit DMPs for purpose of compliance (A)DMP
  - consultation with multiple agencies, evolve DMPs as experience is gained, technology changes
  - understand roles, responsibilities, business models

# Summary and Future Perspective

- NSF continues its deep commitment to expand public actor results of its funded research
  - NSF Public Access Plan: publications, data products
- Realizing the enormous potential of Data requires a long term, bold, sustainable, and comprehensive approach, by and by our partners across the globe
  - Advancing science is truly a borderless enterprise
  - Meetings like this workshop needed to build bridges (understanding, people) to advance science, reap societal bene



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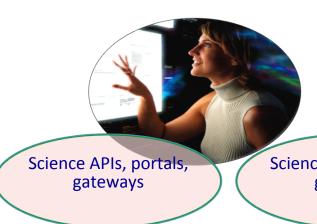
**CHALLENGES** 

**CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE** 

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## A CI Architectural Reference Model



Science APIs, portals, gateways



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single sign-on

private, commercial cloud campus, national resources international







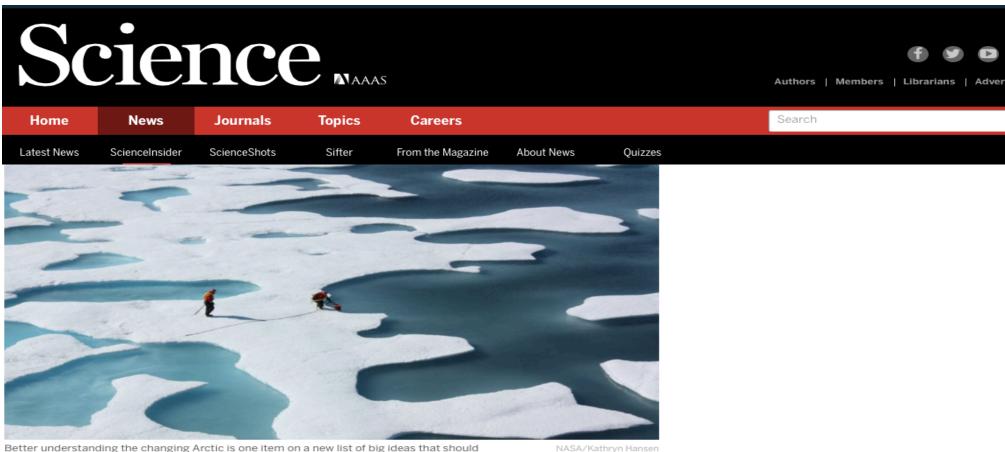






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# **NSF** "Big Ideas"



Better understanding the changing Arctic is one item on a new list of big ideas that should shape the National Science Foundation's work.

NSF director unveils big ideas, with an eye on the next president and Congress

By Jeffrey Mervis | May. 10, 2016, 3:30 PM

# NSF "Big Ideas"

#### RESEARCH IDEAS

- Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science and Engineering
- Shaping the new Human Technology Frontier
- Understanding the Rules of Life: Predicting Phenotype
- The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution
- Navigating the New Arctic
- Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-messenger Astrophysics

# PROCESS IDEAS

- Growing Convergent Research at NSF
- Mid-scale Research Infrastructure
- NSF 2050

\*Video of NSB presentation and discussion is at:

http://www.tvworldwide.com/events/nsf/160505/globe\_show/default\_go\_archive.cfm?gsid=2957&type=flv&test=0&live(the presentation/discussion starts about 20 minutes into this video)

## Harnessing the Data Revolution

Embodiment of innovations in robust, comprehensive, open, science-driven, CI ecosy accelerating data-intensive research, including large-scale facilities

fundamental research: mathematics, statistics, computer & computational science

# fundamental research: algorithms, systems

data discovery, integration; predictive analytics, data mining, nachine learning; data semantics; open data-centric architectures, systems; data integrity, access; benchmark data sets; privacy, human-data interface

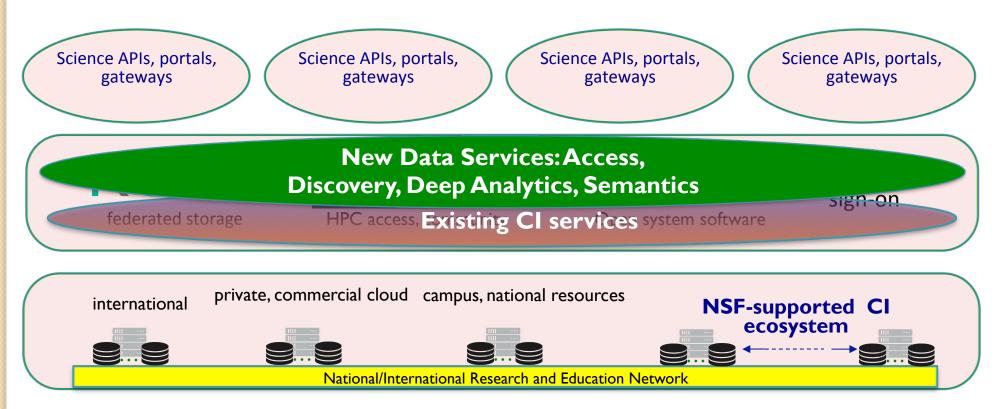
**Data-intensive domain research:** 

use advances in data science and CI to further research

**Development, evaluation of innovative learning opportunities, educational pathways:** grounded in an education-research-based framework

### A vision for research cyberinfrastructure

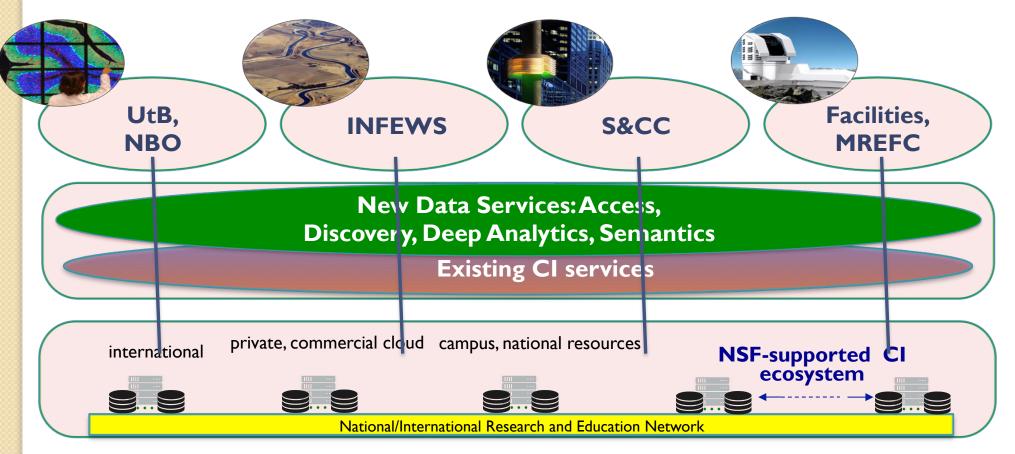
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### A vision for research cyberinfrastructure

Architecting an open national data infrastructure

Enabling and accelerating science drivers, including NSF initiatives & facilities

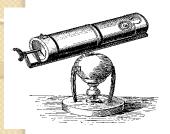


## NSF Public Access Repository



- Provide public access to journal, juried conference papers
- Leverage existing systems, workflows:
  - Integrated with NSF-internal proposal, award management
  - Leverage DOE/OSTI infrastructure for publications; publisher/library services (e. CrossRef)
  - Extensible: other research products, federation
- PI's must deposit publications in PAR, awards made FY 2016 onward

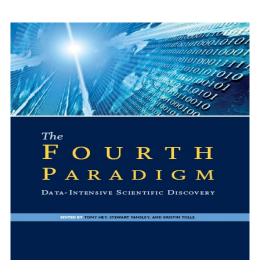
# Evolving research paradigms





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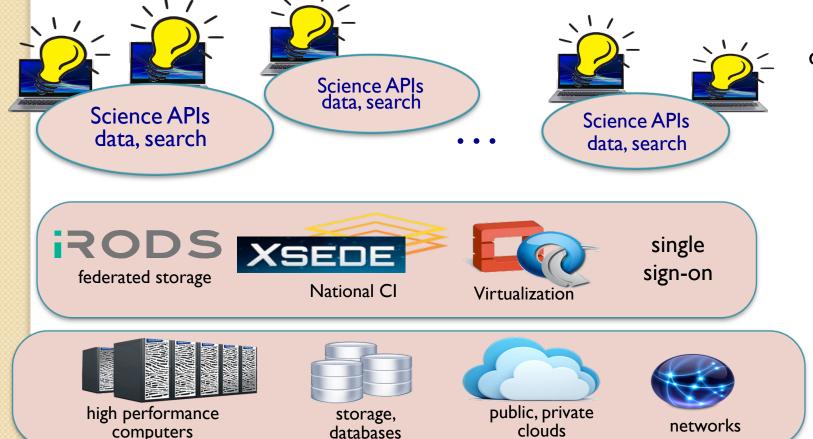
Data

# The Emerging Data Landscape

- Data and the domains:
  - Domains: science, engineering, social science, education, busines finance, ...
  - Systematic approaches to data management, curation
  - Domain-specific data-analytic techniques
  - Need for cyberinfrastructure
- Data Science as a discipline:
  - Application domains, computing, statistics, policy

# NSF supports Research Cyberinfrastructure to Enable Scientific Collaboration and Discovery

Data-sharing requires significant investments at many levels



science and discovery environment

domain-specific service

low-leve software service

hardwar resource

# Federal Agency Activities, Programs

- NSF: BIGDATA, Computational and Data-Enabled Science and Engineering (CDS&E), Data Infrastructure Building Blocks (DIBI NSF Research Traineeships (NRT)
- NIH: Big Data to Knowledge (BD2K)
- DARPA: Information Innovation Office (I2O)
- NIST: Big Data Public Working Group
- DOE: Scientific Discovery through Advanced Computing (SciDA)
- Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program: Big Data Senior Steering Gro
  - Membership: 18 federal R&D agencies
  - Co-chaired by NSF, NIH

## **NSF** Data-related activities

#### **FOUNDATIONAL RESEARCH:**

CDS&E
BIGDATA
III core program

#### **CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE:**

DIBBS
Wrangler, Comet ,Jetstream
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# EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**NRT** 

#### **COMMUNITY BUILDING**

White House BD Partners WS
Data to Knowledge to Action
BD Strategic Initiatives WS
BD Regional Innovation Hubs
EarthCube
RDA

## Data for Scientific Discovery & Action (D4SDA)

Enabling 21<sup>st</sup> century science, engineering, and education to move toward effective use of digital data advance discovery

#### Announced in FY 2017 budget request:

- Promote foundational research in critical techniques, technologies
- Provide innovative, reusable data and knowledge infrastructure to support data-intensive science
- Enable/incent science community to address data governance, lifecy issues
- Educate data-savvy workforce of scientists, engineers, educators

## RDA/US



- building the social, technical bridges that enable open sha of data
- "grass roots", "bottom-up" community effort towards glodata sharing
  - RDA-USA is supported by NSF under Grant No. I349002, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- RDA/US is part of the larger, global community-driven RDA
  - international collaboration, participation, perspectives are critic

## What does the plan say?

## (consistent with OSTP policy objectives)

- Requires deposit of journal articles and juried conference papers funded by awards resulting from proposals submitted in January 2016 (PAPPG) to be made publicly avail no later than 12 months after publication in the NSF Public Access Repository, hosted DOE/OSTI
- Allows for a waiver to the 12-month embargo
- Retains current DMP requirement, allowance for costs, and data citation and calls for community engagement to support consistent data management best practice
- Supports public search through:
  - Existing award search mechanisms
  - Search capability on the NSF Public Access Repository, hosted by DOE/OSTI
  - Expose metadata to third party search systems (future)
- Leverages current programs, policies, and systems
- Calls for a Working Group to provide oversight
- Establishes a website with the Plan, opportunity for feedback, and FAQs
- Calls for regular updates to the NSB and OSTP/OMB
- Allows for evolution to other products of NSF-funded research