How Dryad helps researchers satisfy data sharing requirements

1. **Broad, equitable, and maximally open access**
   Dryad publishes data exclusively under a Creative Commons Zero (CC0) license waiver to ensure broadest possible access. All of our data is free to download and reuse.

2. **Clear guidance on reuse**
   Dryad's curation team checks that data are appropriate for sharing under CC0, and that open sharing isn't restricted by prior agreement. The use of CC0 minimizes legal and technical impediments to data reuse.

3. **Data retention**
   Dryad commits to indefinite archiving of deposited data. We ensure bit-level preservation and active management of multiple, geographically distributed copies of all files.

4. **Use and provision of persistent identifiers**
   Every dataset submitted to Dryad is assigned a digital object identifier (DOI), ensuring it can be consistently located over time and connected with other research outputs.

5. **Metadata to enable discovery, reuse, and citation**
   As a non-specialist platform, Dryad's metadata schema and curation process are designed to be broad and inclusive. We capture metadata required by a range of funders.

6. **Curation and quality assurance**
   Our team of curators check every submission to ensure the validity of files and metadata. Our curation process ensures that all datasets published with Dryad can be appropriately accessed and reused.

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