

# NIH's Strategic Vision for Data Science: Enabling a FAIR-Data Ecosystem

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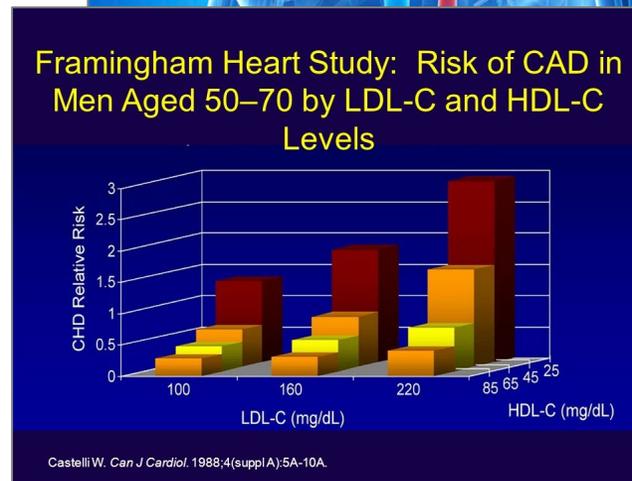
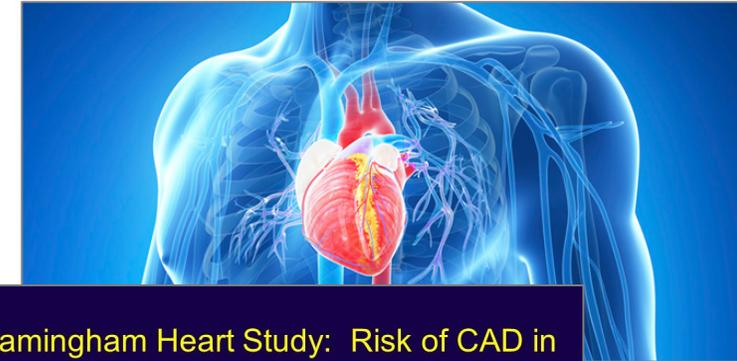
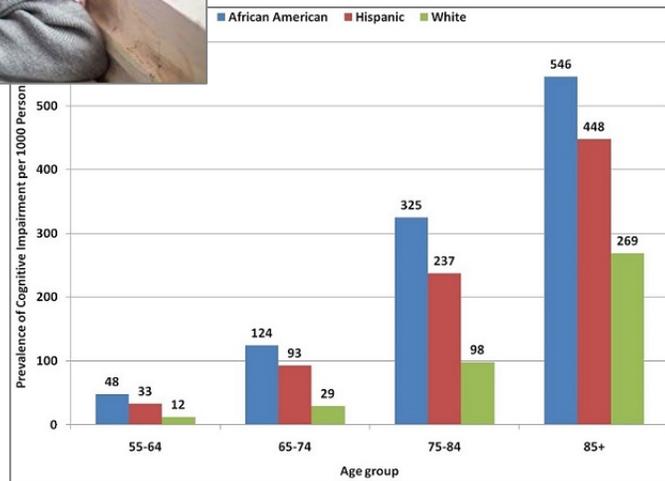
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a modernized, integrated, **FAIR** biomedical data ecosystem

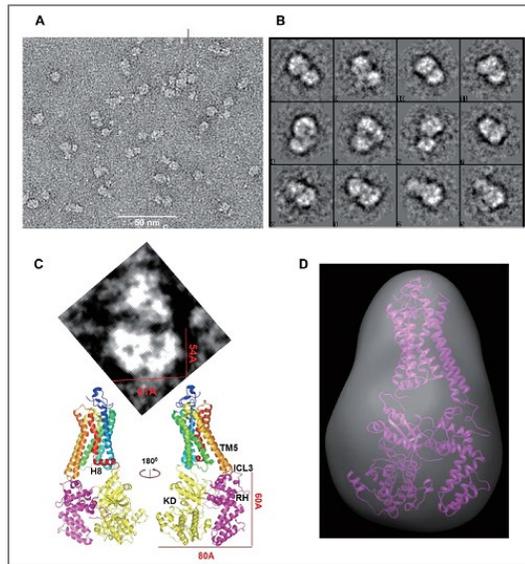
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the ability to link data in the Framingham Heart Study (NHLBI) with Alzheimer's health data (NIA) to understand correlative effects in cardiovascular health with aging and dementia.

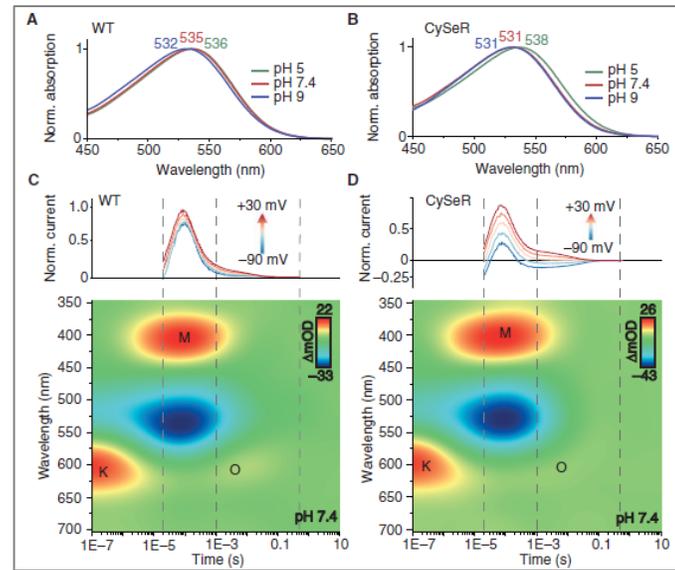


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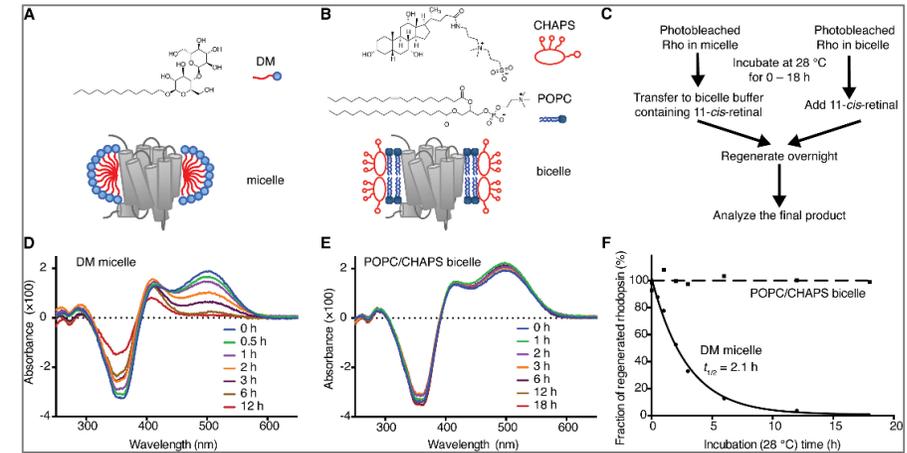
## the ability to quickly obtain access to data, and related information, from published articles.



Negative stain EM reveals the principal architecture of the rhodopsin/GRK5 complex. (Image by Van Andel Research Institute)



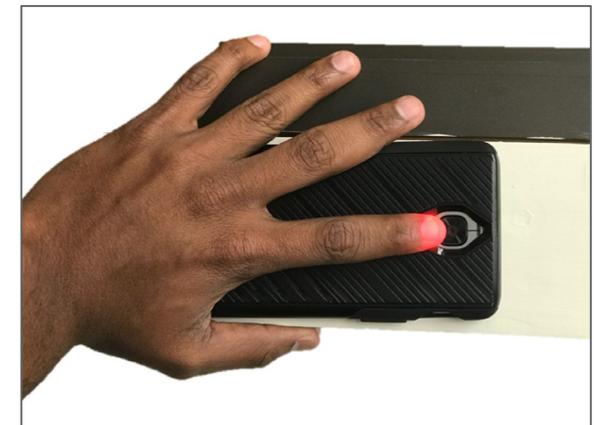
Absorption spectra of purified CsR-WT (A) and CySeR (B) at pH 5 (green), pH 7.4 (red), and pH 9 (blue). R. Fudim, et al, Science Signaling, 2019



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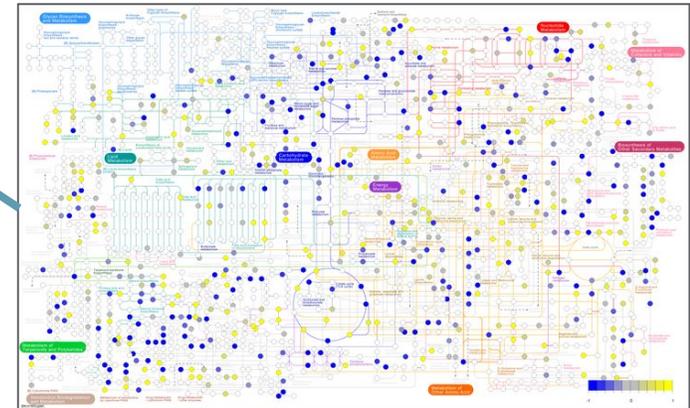
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the new capabilities that artificial intelligence and advanced technologies offer medical research, treatment, and prevention.



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## the ability to link electronic health care records with personal data and with clinical and basic research data.

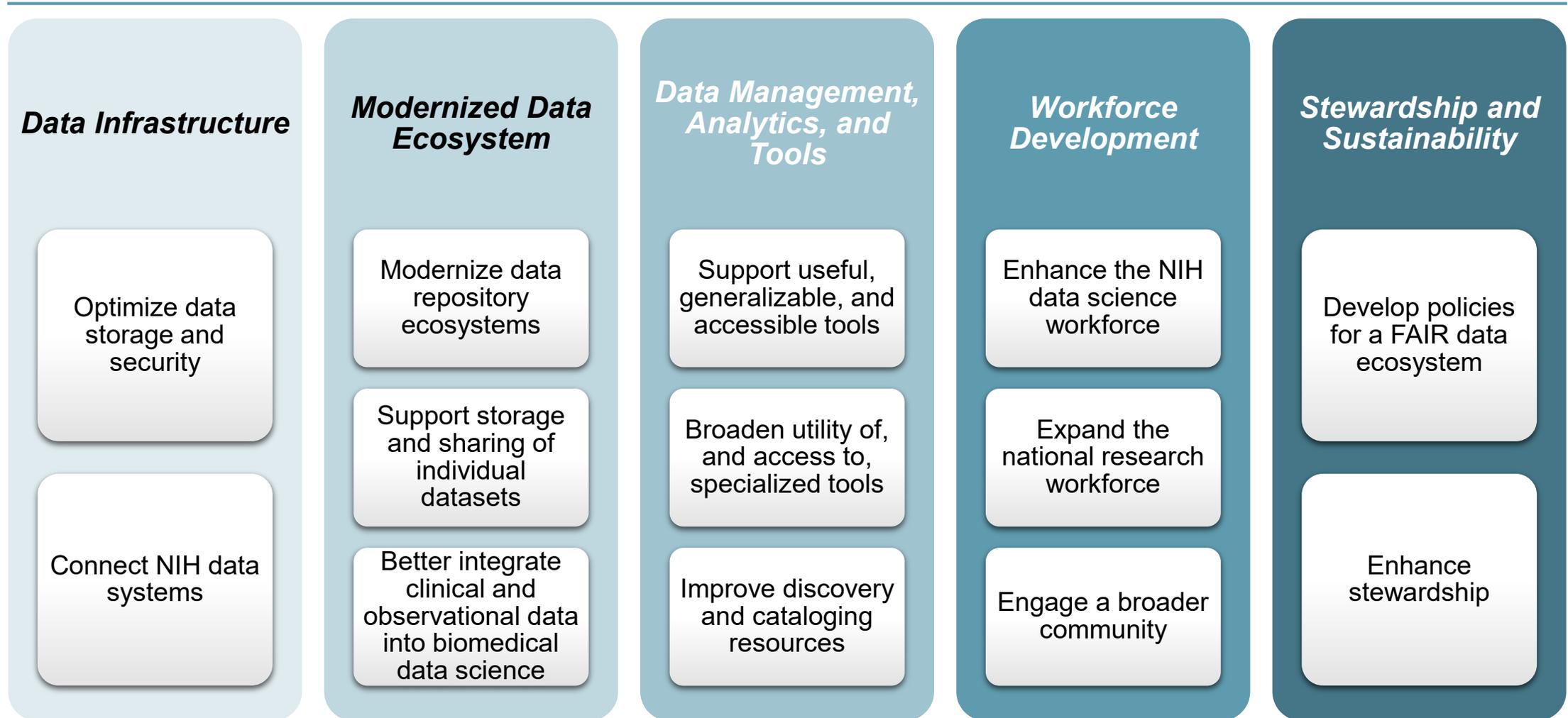


# **This is the promise of the *NIH Strategic Plan for Data Science***

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...and here's how we will get there.

# Strategic Plan for Data Science: Goals and Objectives



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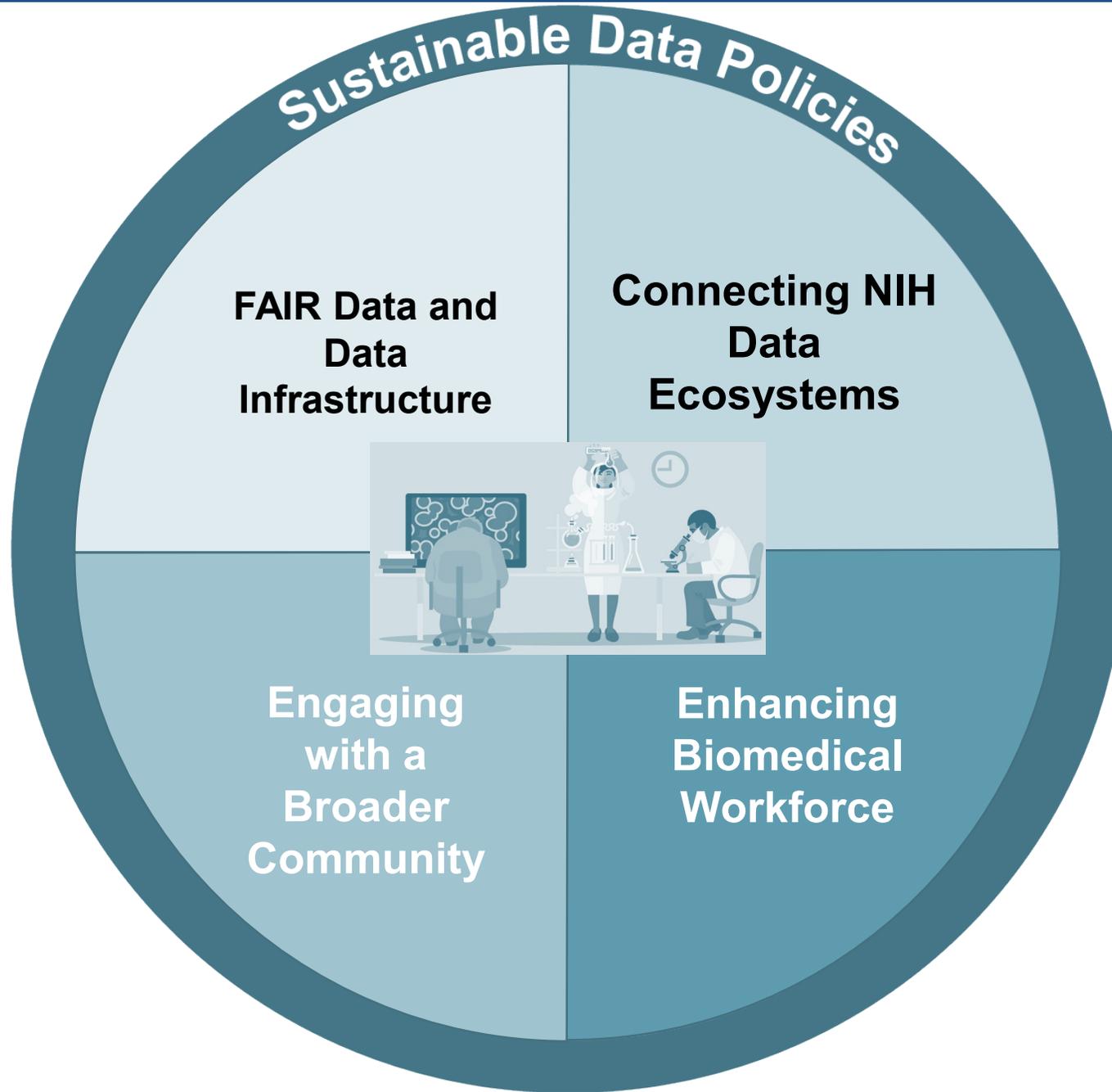
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***Enhancing  
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***Sustainable  
Data Policies***



# New: Office of Data Science Strategy

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The NIH **Office of Data Science Strategy (ODSS)** in the Office of the Director:

- Provides leadership and coordination on the strategic plan for data science, in collaboration with the ICOs.
- Helps develop and implement NIH's vision for a **modernized** and **integrated** biomedical data ecosystem.
- Develops a diverse and talented data science workforce.
- Coordinates with trans-NIH governance committees.
- In coordination with the CIO, builds strategic partnerships to develop and disseminate advanced technologies and methods.

# Implementation Progress: Oct. 2018 – Present

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- **FAIR Data and Data Infrastructure**
- Sustainable Data Policies
- Connecting NIH Data Ecosystems
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# Making Data *FAIR*

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## Findable

- must have unique identifiers, effectively labeling it within searchable resources.

## Accessible

- must be easily retrievable via open systems and effective and secure authentication and authorization procedures.

## Interoperable

- should “use and speak the same language” via use of standardized vocabularies.

## Reusable

- must be adequately described to a new user, have clear information about data-usage licenses, and have a traceable “owner’s manual,” or provenance.

# Overview of Sharing Publication and Related Data

NIH strongly encourages  
**open access Data Sharing Repositories**  
as a first choice.

[https://www.nlm.nih.gov/NIHbmic/nih\\_data\\_sharing\\_repositories.html](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/NIHbmic/nih_data_sharing_repositories.html)

## Options of scaled implementation for sharing datasets

Datasets up to **2 gigabytes**

### PubMed Central

- PMC stores publication-related supplemental materials and datasets directly associated publications. Up to 2 GB.
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### Use of commercial and non-profit repositories

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High Priority Datasets **petabytes**

### STRIDES Cloud Partners

- Store and manage large scale, high priority NIH datasets. (Partnership with STRIDES)
- Assign Unique Identifiers, implement authentication, authorization and access control.

# The TRUST Principles for Data Repositories

## Transparency

- is achieved by providing publicly accessible evidence of the services that a repository can and can not offer.

## Responsibility

- is a commitment to provide high technical quality data services.

## User community

- is the focus on the uses and potential uses of the data and services offered.

## Sustainability

- is the capability to support long-term data preservation and use.

## Technology

- is the infrastructure and capabilities to support the repository operations.



# Optimized Funding for NIH Data Repositories and Knowledgebases

- Data resources are important research tools
- Historically funded through research grants
- Funding mechanism should be optimal for type of resource
- **End goal:** researcher confident in data and information integrity
- **Solution: New Funding Announcement** for data repositories and knowledgebases
- Resource plan requirement

Scientific  
Impact

Community  
Engagement

Quality of Data  
and Services  
and Efficiency  
of Operations

Governance



# Sharing Datasets as Supplementary Materials

[Autophagy](#). 2017; 13(2): 386–403.

PMCID: PMC5324850

Published online 2016 Nov 22. doi: [10.1080/15548627.2016.1256934](https://doi.org/10.1080/15548627.2016.1256934)

PMID: [27875093](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/27875093/)

Autolysosome biogenesis and developmental senescence are regulated by both Spns1 and v-ATPase

[Tomoyuki Sasaki](#),<sup>a,†</sup> [Shanshan Lian](#),<sup>a,†</sup> [Alam Khan](#),<sup>a,b</sup> [Jesse R. Llop](#),<sup>c</sup> [Andrew V. Samuelson](#),<sup>c</sup> [Wenbiao Chen](#),<sup>d</sup> [Daniel J. Klionsky](#),<sup>e</sup> and [Shuji Kishi](#)<sup>a</sup>

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## Associated Data

### ▼ [Supplementary Materials](#)

[1256934\\_Supplemental\\_Material.zip](#)

[kaup-13-02-1256934-s001.zip](#) (9.6M)

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# Piloting a Repository to Make Research Data Citable, Sharable, and Discoverable Using Figshare

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Data is openly accessible

Documented with customizable, discipline-specific metadata

Authors can link grant information to data

All data is associated with a license

Self-publish any data type in any file format

Assign institutionally (NIH) branded DOI

Indexed in Google and discoverable across search engines

Ability to embargo data assets

Usage metrics tracked openly

FAIR implementation



# Science & Tech Research Infrastructure for Discovery, Experimentation and Sustainability Initiative

- First **STRIDES** agreement: Google Cloud (July 2018)
- Second **STRIDES** agreement: Amazon Web Services (Oct. 2018)
- Other Transaction mechanism
- Additional partnerships anticipated

<https://datascience.nih.gov/strides>



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# Planning for an NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy

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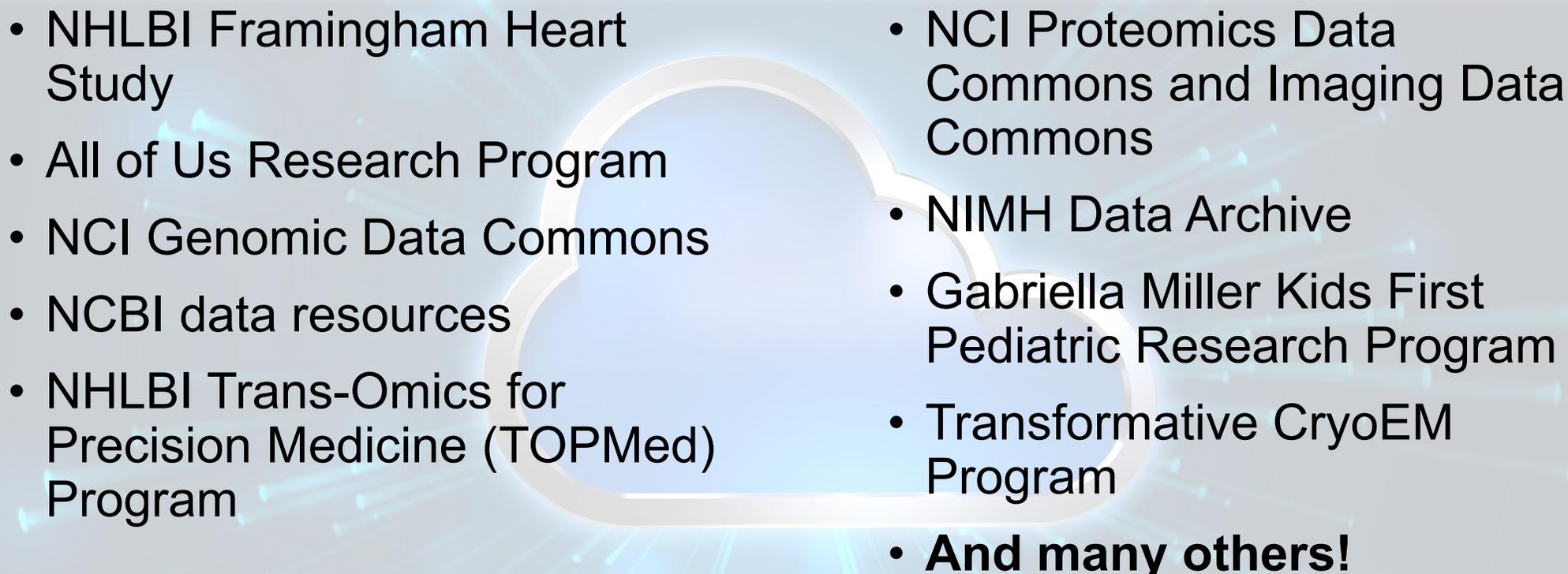
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# Examples of Datasets Moving to the STRIDES Cloud

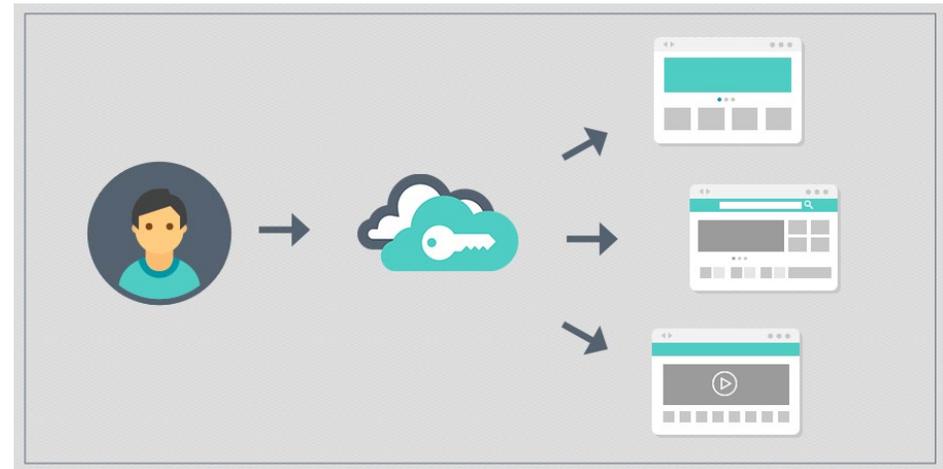
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- NHLBI Framingham Heart Study
  - All of Us Research Program
  - NCI Genomic Data Commons
  - NCBI data resources
  - NHLBI Trans-Omics for Precision Medicine (TOPMed) Program
  - NCI Proteomics Data Commons and Imaging Data Commons
  - NIMH Data Archive
  - Gabriella Miller Kids First Pediatric Research Program
  - Transformative CryoEM Program
  - **And many others!**

# Single 'Sign-on' Across NIH Data Resources

- Streamlined login for authorization of controlled-access data
- Make use of industry standard technology (web tokens)
- Flexible for different NIH needs: 'do no harm to existing systems'

- **End goal:** NIH-wide system for a consistent method to access data across NIH data resources



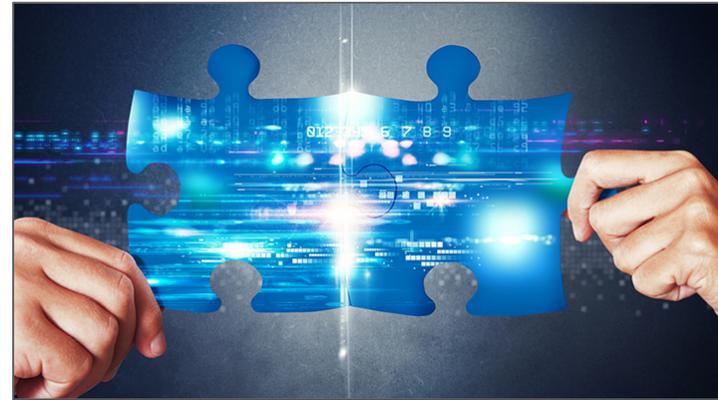
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# Leverage, Develop, and Extend Methods and Tools from Broader Communities

- Partner with other federal agencies (e.g. National Science Foundation) on data science activities
- Leverage SBIR/STTR to bring in industry expertise
- Engage a broader community through codeathons, citizen science, and challenges
- Improve software sustainability, efficiency and utility



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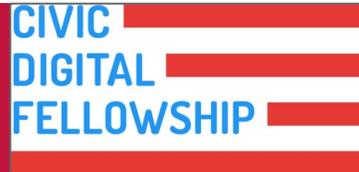
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# Enhance the Biomedical Workforce

## Coding it Forward



- 10 undergraduate fellows for 2019 placed in admin or funding offices for 10-week summer program
- Student-led non-profit places tech-savvy students in federal agencies
- ODSS will coordinate on-campus networking opportunities for fellows

<https://www.codingitforward.com/>

## Graduate Data Science Summer Program

- 13 master's-level interns for 2019
- Pilot driven by discussion with local universities consortium
  - UVA, George Mason, George Washington, UMD, University of Delaware/Georgetown, Johns Hopkins
- Open to students from any university

[https://www.training.nih.gov/data\\_science\\_summer](https://www.training.nih.gov/data_science_summer)

# NIH Data Science Senior Fellowships

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- One- or two-year **national service sabbatical** in high-impact NIH programs
- Seeking **data science and technology** experts
- Work with large volumes of biomedical research data, impact public health, gain policy exposure
- Expecting 5+ fellows in first cohort, starting late 2019
- Program evaluation in 2024

**COMING  
SOON**

# Improve Data Science-Related Training through T Grants, F and K Awards

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- Expand expectations for development of quantitative and computational skills for students and postdoctoral fellows supported by NIH training (T) grants
  - NIGMS T32/T34, Neuroscience T32, or NLM T15 FOAs
- Disseminate across all training mechanism and ICs
- Launch data science-focused training programs in specific biomedical research areas of high need
  - Biomedical behavioral and social science
  - Neuroscience
    - ✓ RFA-OD-19-011

# Improving R&R and RCR and Evaluating Efficacy of Interventions

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- Support development of training modules to fill in gaps in rigor and reproducibility in data science
- Support training modules on responsible conduct of research in data science
- Improvement and expansion of K25 program (Mentored Quantitative Research Development – PA-18-396)

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# Building Diversity in Biomedical Data Science

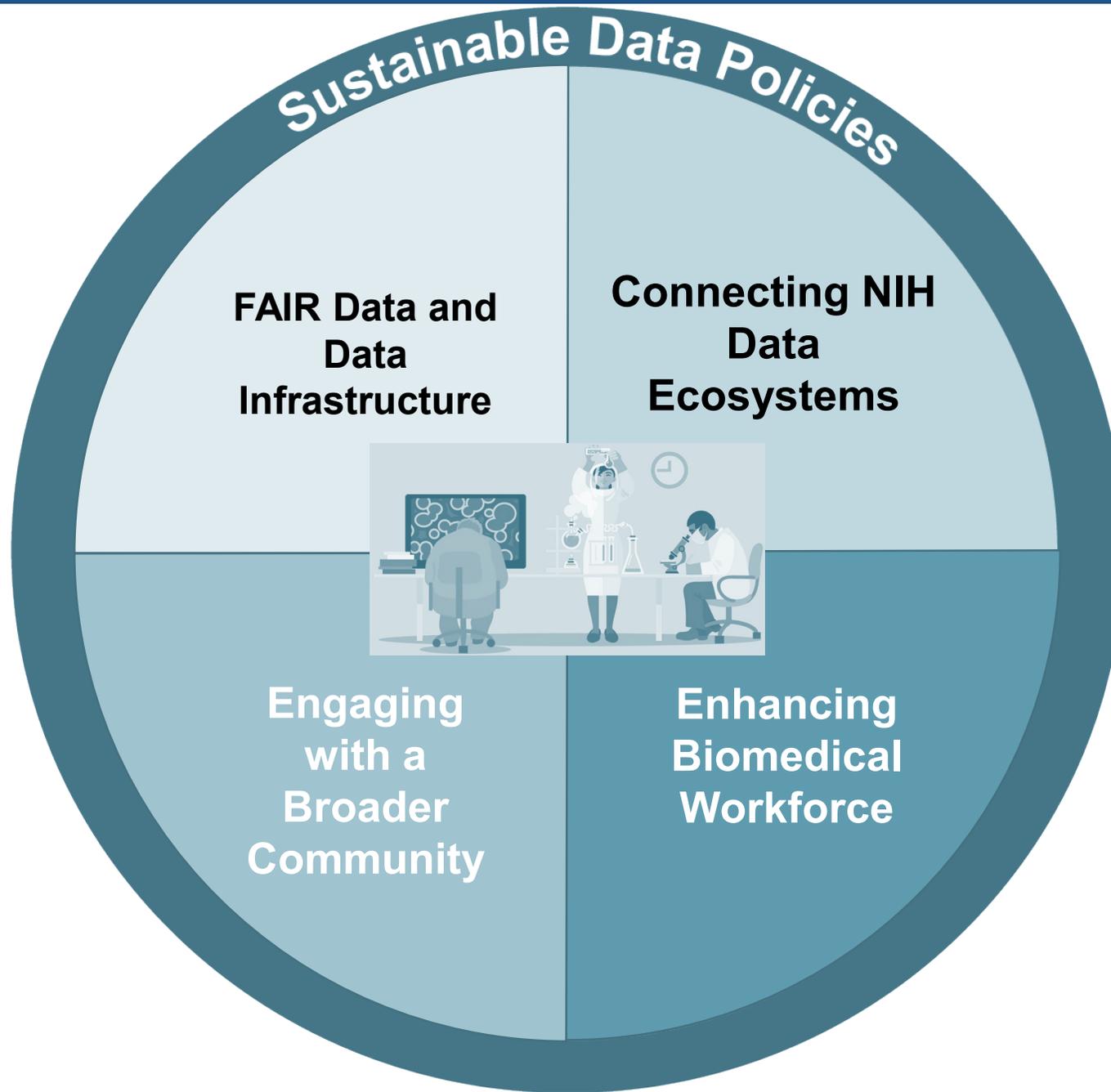
- Boot camps/short training programs for diverse cohorts of biomedical research trainees
  - Includes STRIDES CSP and professional societies
- Increase emphasis on quantitative and computational skills development in existing diversity programs
  - E.g. new language in NIGMS FOAs (already in place)



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# Stay Connected

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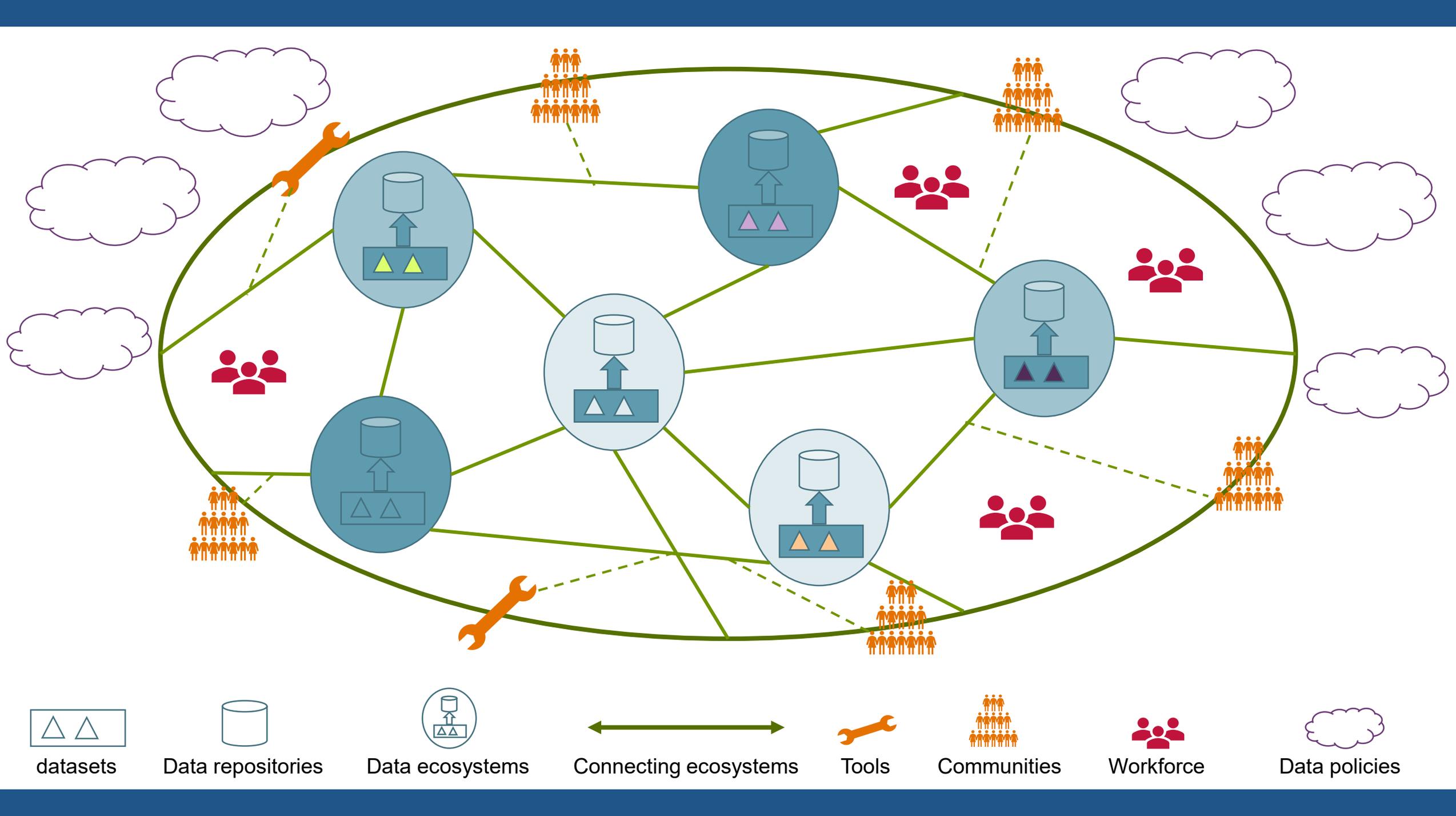


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