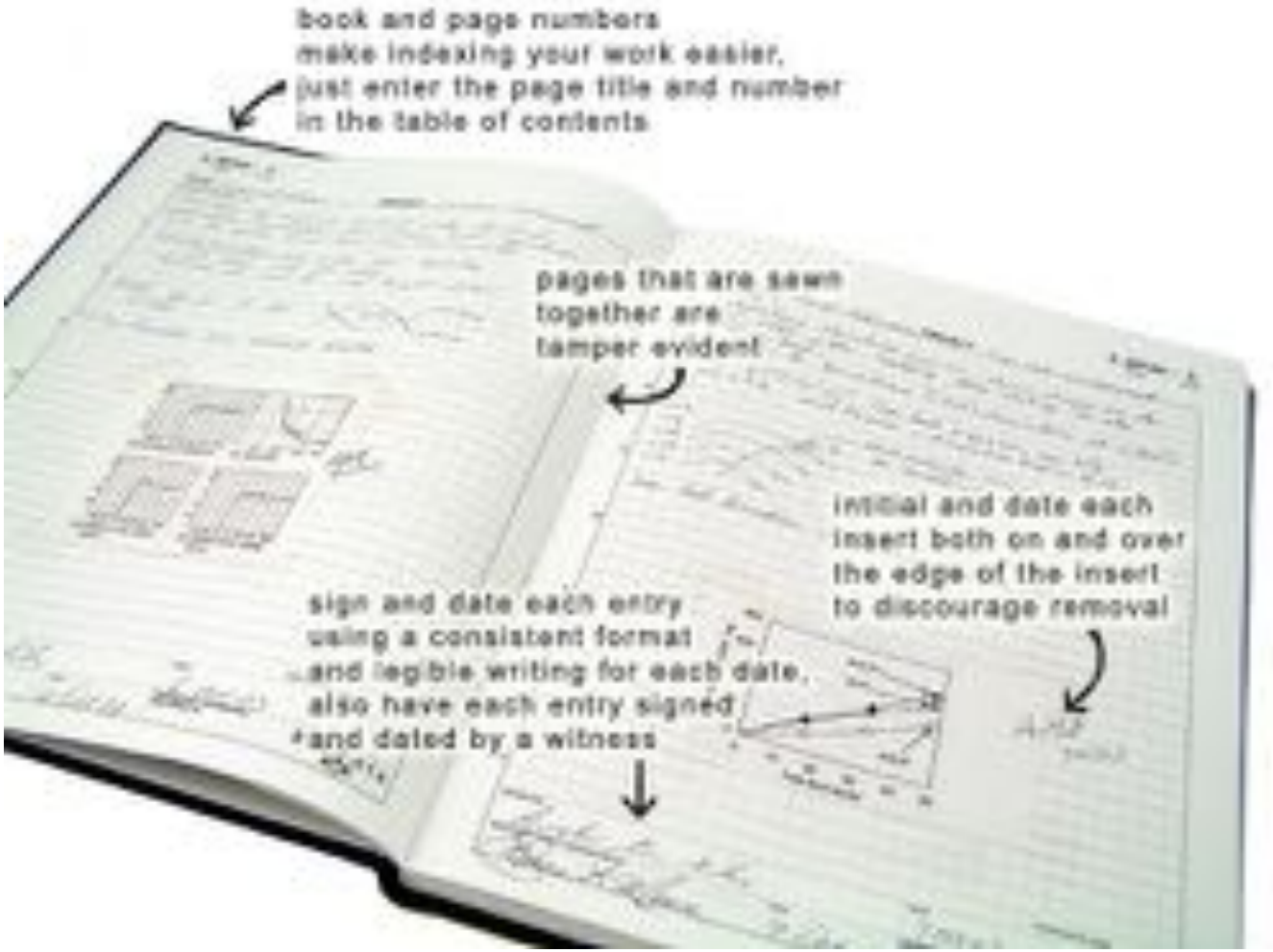

Data Creation

Chain of Data Creation

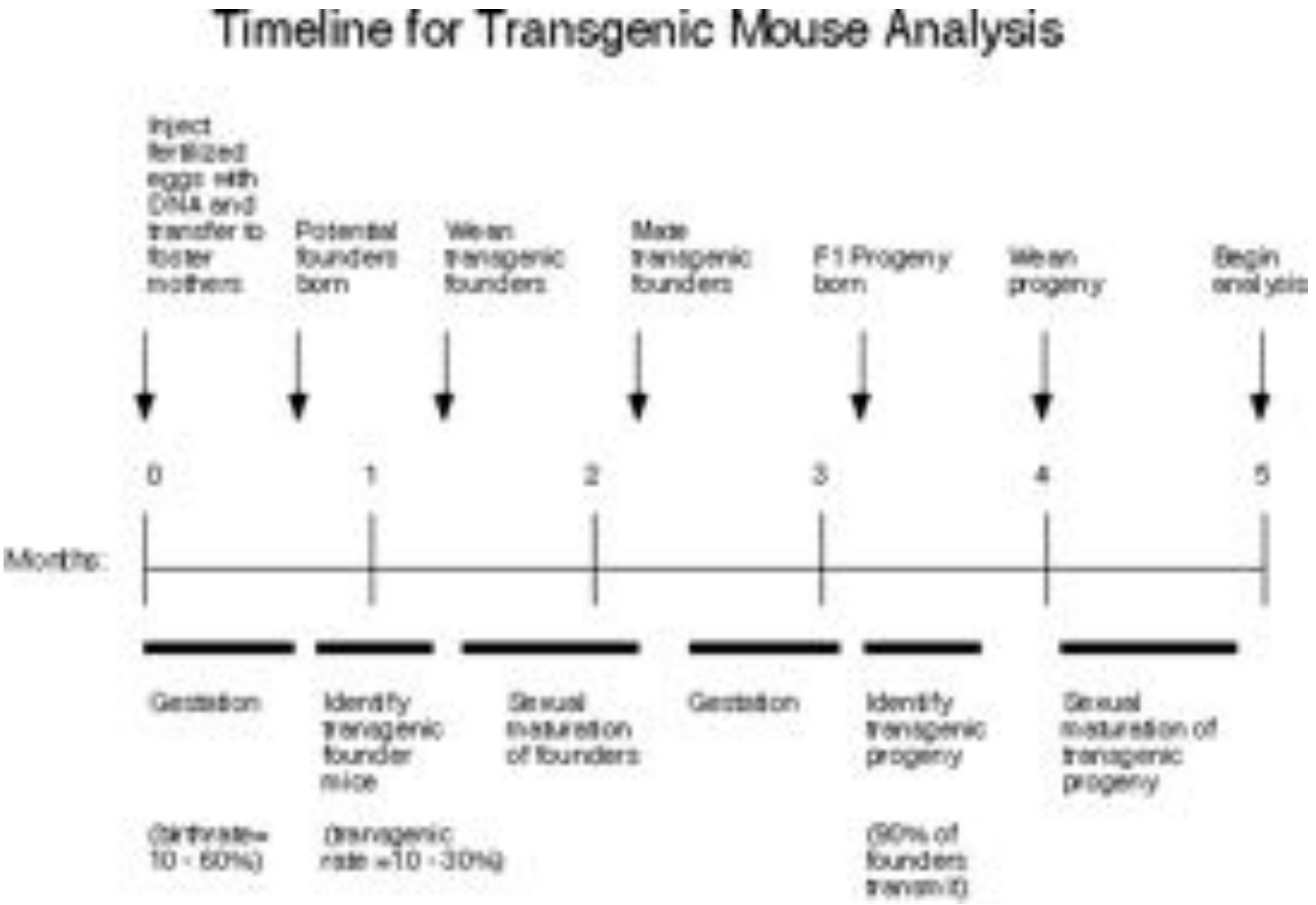
1. Preparation
2. Creation of Metadata
3. Acquisition
4. Building a Permanent Record
5. Data Management
6. Storage
7. Data Sharing

Lab Notebook



- Record of hypotheses
- Record of Protocols
- Second brain

Plan Your Experiment, Experiment With your Plan



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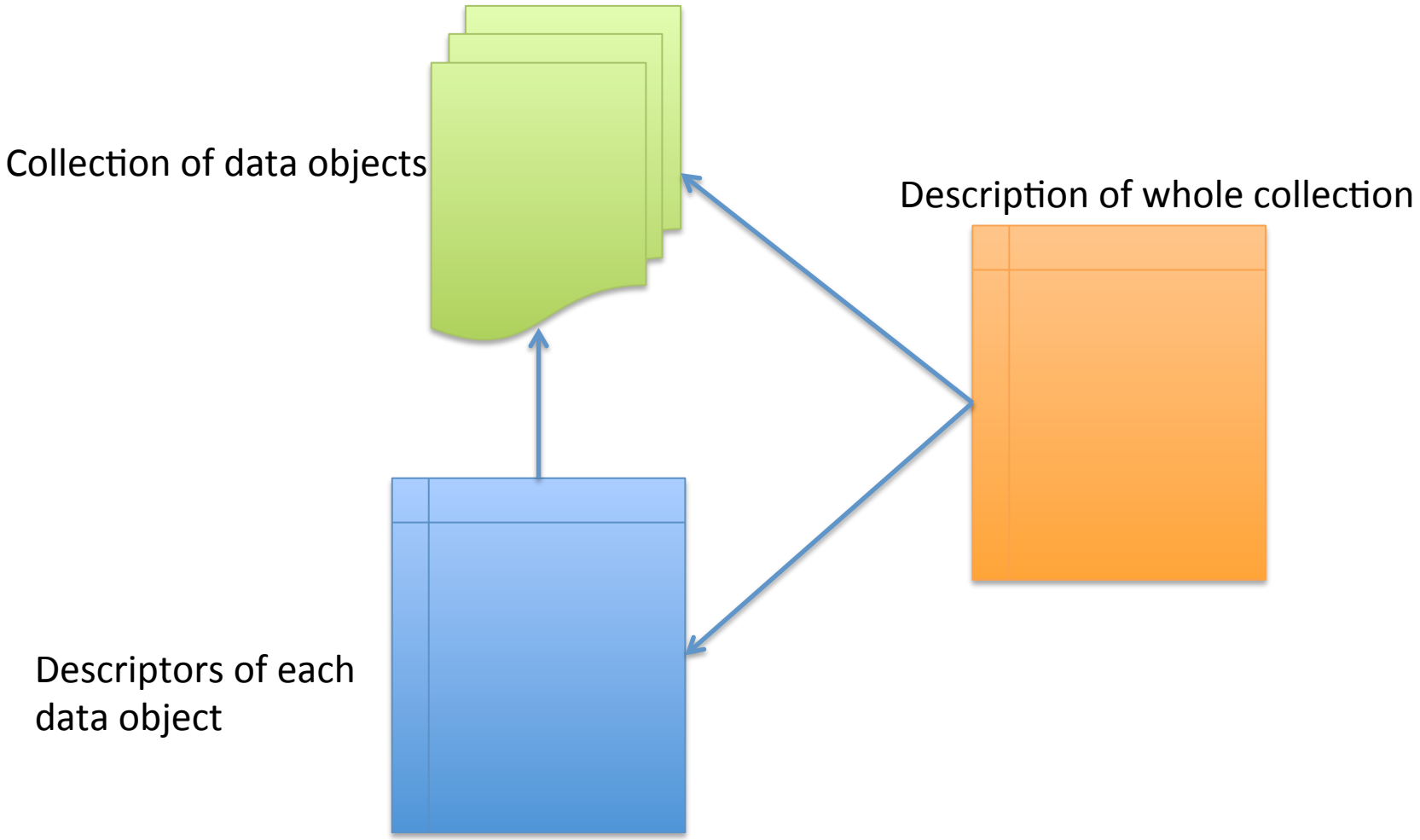
Question to Ask About your Data Collection Activity

- What am I measuring?
- When am I measuring it?
- How am I measuring it?
- What are the tools I am using?
- What about the lab/field environment do I need to know?
- Is my protocol reproducible?

Meta-Data


metadata
describe
entities
systems
definitions
information
one
Data

What is Metadata?



What Meta-Data Do You Need?

- **Descriptive metadata** describes a resource for purposes such as discovery and identification
- **Administrative metadata** provides information to help manage a resource, such as when and how it was created
- **Rights management metadata**, which deals with intellectual property rights
- **Preservation metadata**, which contains information needed to archive and preserve a resource

Understanding Metadata: niso.org

Structured Metadata

Dublin Core Example

Title=”Metadata Demystified”
Creator=”Brand, Amy”
Creator=”Daly, Frank”
Creator=”Meyers, Barbara”
Subject=”metadata”
Description=”Presents an overview of metadata conventions in publishing.”
Publisher=”NISO Press”
Publisher=”The Sheridan Press”
Date=”2003-07"
Type=”Text”
Format=”application/pdf”
Identifier=”http://www.niso.org/standards/resources/Metadata_Demystified.pdf”
Language=”en”

Structured Metadata

TAGS

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        <permission>write</permission>
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Case Study 1


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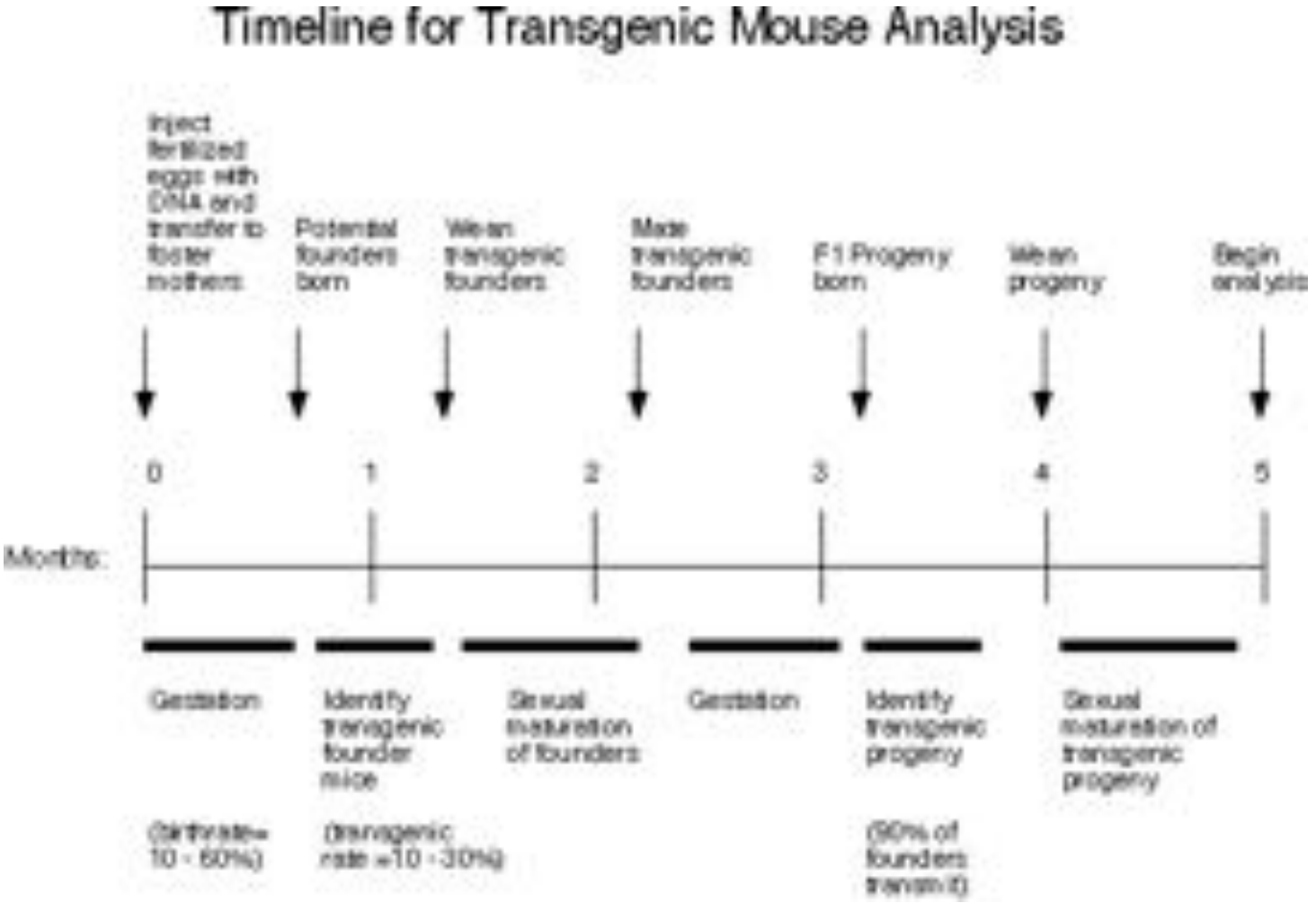
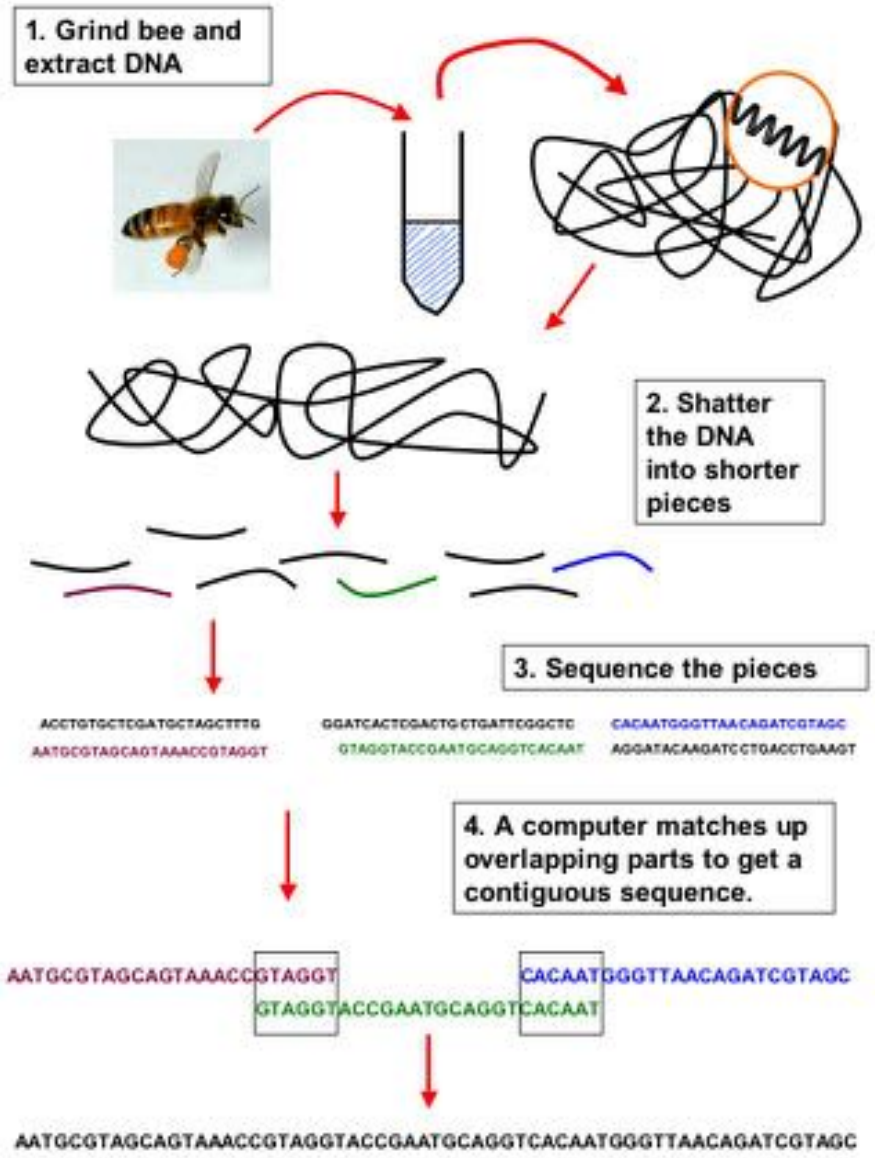
Case Study 2


Timeline for Transgenic Mouse Analysis
Inject fertilized eggs with DNA and transfer to foster mothers
Potential founders born
Wean transgenic founders
Mate transgenic founders
F1 Progeny born
Wean progeny
Begin analysis
0
1
2
3
4
5
Months:
Gestation
Identify transgenic founder mice
Sexual maturation of founders
Gestation
Identify transgenic progeny
Sexual maturation of transgenic progeny
(birth rate= 10 - 60%)
(transgenic rate =10 - 30%)
(50% of founders transmit)

Case Study 3



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Data Collection

Creating a Good Data Gathering Sheet

- How easy is it to read?
- Are column and row definitions clear?
- Is there metadata?
- How similar is it to your digital data entry form?
- Can you use it at 4am?

After the Collection…

- Preserve original data
- Created digital archive of raw data
- Implement robust storage strategy
- Quality Control (next time)

Scanning

KEEN GOM BENTHIC MONITORING DATA

BENTHIC UNIFORM POINT CONTACT DATA SHEET

Scanned by: _____

Date scanned: _____

Site: SW Appledore Transect: N Peppercorn Date: 2014 July 19 Observer: JD

Depth (m) at 0m: 9.2m Depth (m) at 40m: 2.7 Visibility (m): _____

Inshore	Substrate	Offshore	Substrate
HJ	B	HJ EC	B
HJ	SS	HJ SL DIAT	SS B
HJ	SS	HJ CF	B
SL HFC	B	SL SU HJ	B
SL HJ BA CF	BL	HJ ATM	BL
HJ CF	BM	UV HJ ATM	BL
HJ EC	BL	HJ DIAT	BM
HJ CF	BL	HJ SL CF	BM
HJ CF	BL	HJ EC	BM
HJ ATM	BL	SL HJ ANSP	BL
HJ CF	B	HJ SL ANSP	B
HJ CRPU CF	B	HJ	SS
HJ CF	B	HJ ANSP	B
HJ CF	B	HJ HIRU	BM
HJ SL CF	B	DEVI HJ BUTU, ATM	BL

Substrate

P Pebbles (<5cm)
C Cobble (<25cm)
BS Boulder (25-50cm)
BM Boulder (50-100cm)
BL Boulder (>100cm)
B Bedrock
SS Shallow Sand (<1cm)
SH Shell Debris
S Sand (>1cm)

Green Algae

COF Codium fragile (fingers)
FG Filamentous Green (fine hairs)
UV Blady Ulvoid (ulva & enteromorpha)
TUV Tubular Ulvoid (ulva & enteromorpha)

Erect Red Algae

BOHA Bonnemaisonia hamifera (hooks)
CRSP Ceramium spp. (pincers, corticated)
CHCR Chondrus crispus
CYPU Cystoclonium purpureum (bristly)
DUCO Dumontia contorta (flat cylinders)
EUCR Euthora cristata (flat branching blades, lacy)
HJ Heterosiphonia japonica (bright, fluffy, solid midrib)
MAST Mastocarpus stellatus (channeled blades papillate)
PAPA Palmaria palmata (hand-like blades)
PHRU Phycodrys rubens (oak leaves)
POLS Polysiphonia sp. (variable fluffy)
PORO Polyides rotundus (regular thick branches)
PORS Porphyra spp. (thin sheet)
PTSE Pikiella serrata (branches w/ branchlets)
RAT Red Algal Turf (thin UNID mat many spp.)
SPRE Spermothamnion repens (bushy tufts, epiphytic)
CO Corallina officinalis (erect coralline)
URB Unidentified Red Blade
URF Unidentified Filamentous Red

Encrusting Red Algae (smooth to bumpy)

HIRU Hildenbrandia rubra (not calcified crust)
CLSP Cladvomorphum spp. (smooth and thick)
LISP Lithophyllum sp. (smooth, chalky)
LESP Leptophytum spp. (smooth, very thin, no sand)
PHSP Phymatolithon spp. (rough surface, white swirls)
LIGL Lithothamnion glaciale (bumpy)
EC Unidentified Encrusting coralline

EXCEL TIME!

Entry
Fills
Basic Functions
Functions for Error Checking
Controlled Vocabularies

Storage: Physical

DO NOT LET THIS BE YOU

Storage: Physical

Storage: The Cloud

Data Sharing

blog.veritythink.com

Things to Consider when Data Sharing

1. Is what you did understandable?

2. How do you want your work credited?

3. Will your data sharing service be around in 50 years?

Why Share Data?

- One scientist can only do so much
  - More data = more Power
- Science must be reproducible
- Who paid for this data collection?

Examples

- https://www.dataone.org/
- http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi
- http://datadryad.org/
- http://www.oceandataportal.org/

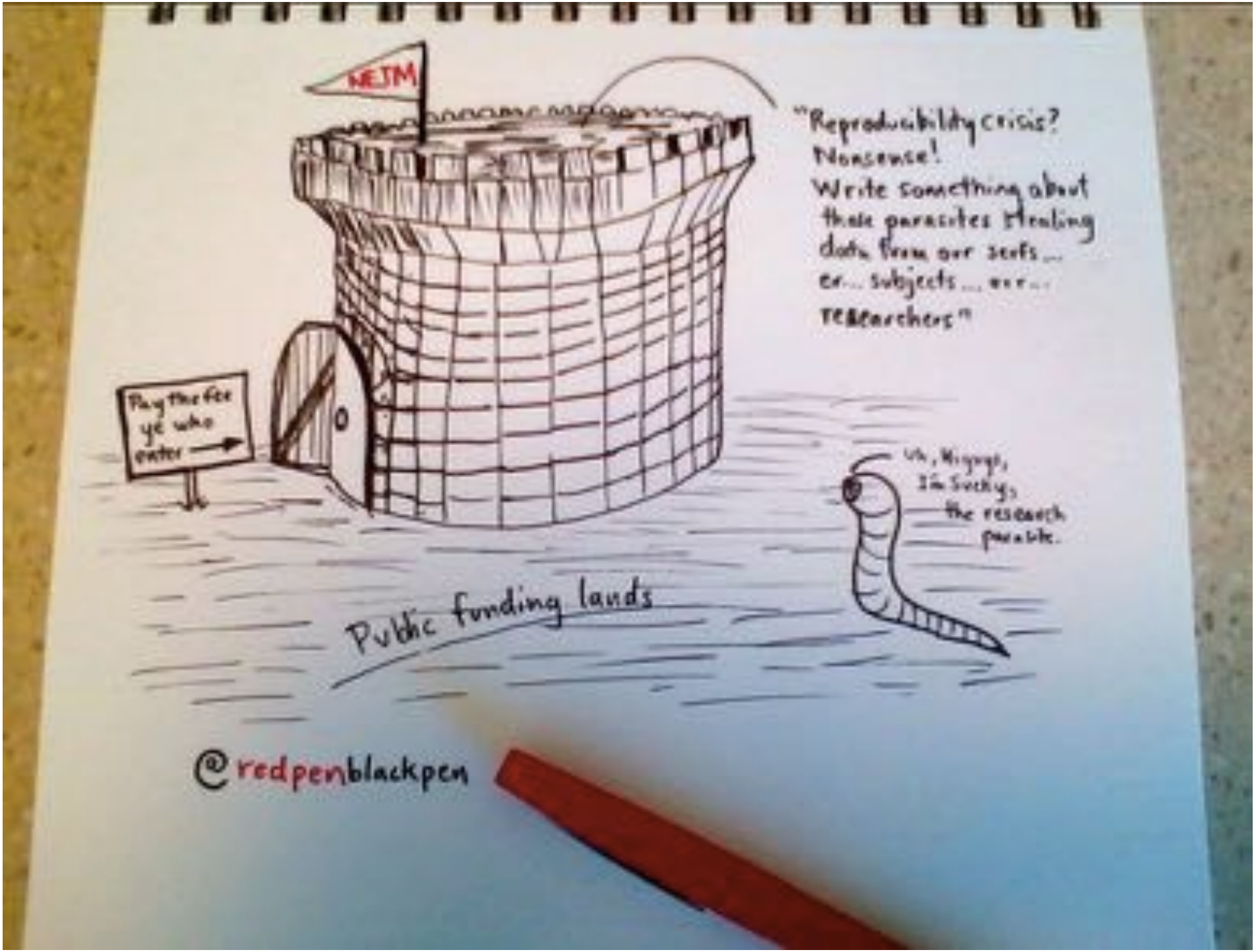
Backlash?

The NEW ENGLAND

"A second concern held by some is that a new class of research person will emerge — people who had nothing to do with the design and execution of the study but use another group's data for their own ends, possibly stealing from the research productivity planned by the data gatherers, or even use the data to try to disprove what the original investigators had posited. There is concern among some front-line researchers that the system will be taken over by what some researchers have characterized as 'research parasites.'

quality information carefully reexamined for the possibility that new nuggets of useful data are lying there, previously unseen? The potential for leveraging existing results for even more benefit pays appropriate increased tribute to the patients who put themselves at risk to generate the data. The moral imperative to honor their collective sacrifice is the trump card that takes this trick.


If I have seen further
it is because I am parasitic
on research giants


NEJM
Pay the fee ye who enter
"Reproducibility crisis? Nonsense! Write something about these parasites stealing data from our serfs... er... subjects... err... researchers"
Uh, Kingy, I'm Sorry, the research parasite.
Public funding lands
@redpenblackpen

Should all Data be Open?

Sucky, the research parasite, in...

The Parasites of Penzance!!!

I am the very model of a modern research parasite,
I build on other research leaning only here and there a cite.
I know the Nobel laureates and quote the fights cladistical,
From Felsenstein to Farris using language most statistical.
I know our mythic history, from Sir Galton to Chetverikov,
And advocate the medicines you cannot get generic of.
I've memorized the sequence of each ENCODE base of DNA,
And I can tell at sight Feng Zhang from Doudna and Charpentier.
But still I need your data like anemics need their ferrocite
I am the very model of a modern research parasite!

Lyrics: @CT_Bergstrom
Costume and choreography: @redpenblackpen
(see, we're co-authors!)