

# Gaining maximum value out of the rising tide of data

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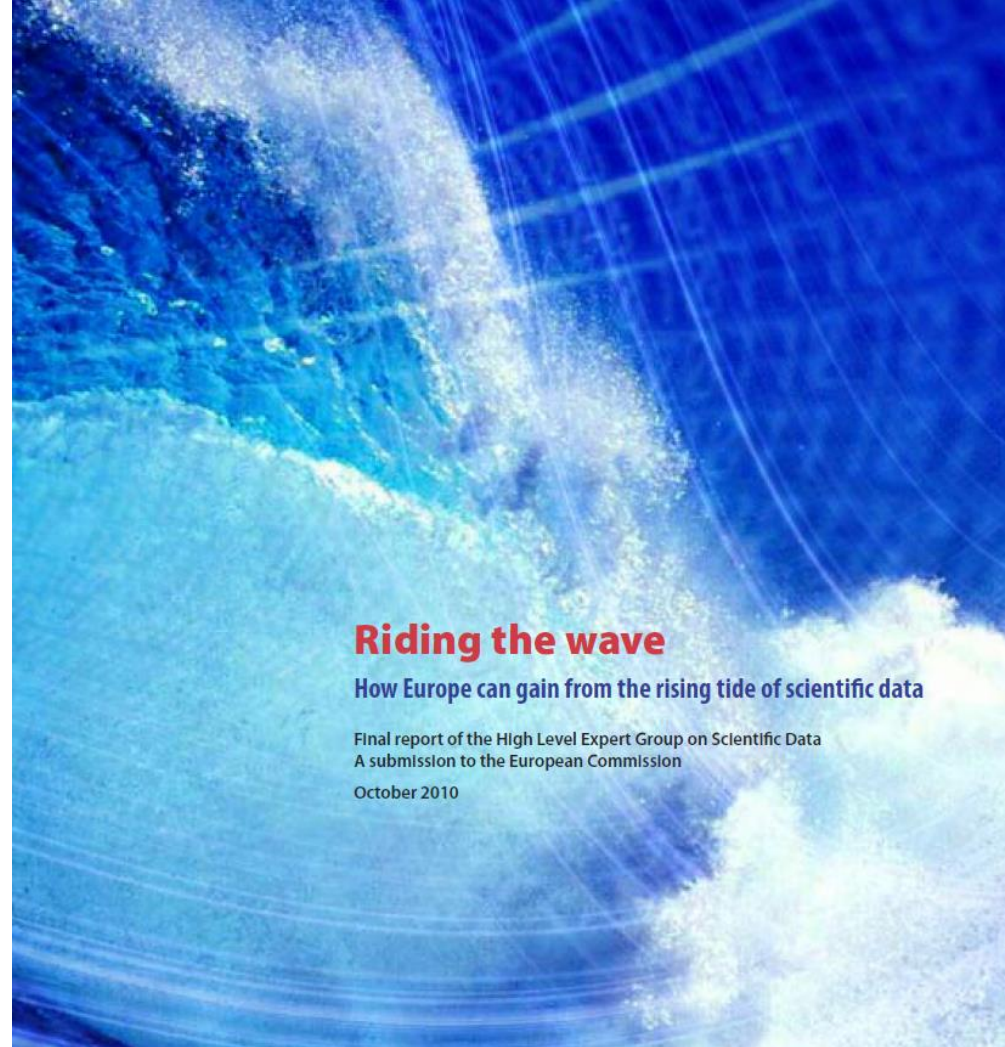




# Rising tide of data

‘A fundamental characteristic of our age is the rising tide of data – global, diverse, valuable and complex. In the realm of science, this is both an opportunity and a challenge.’

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## **Riding the wave**

**How Europe can gain from the rising tide of scientific data**

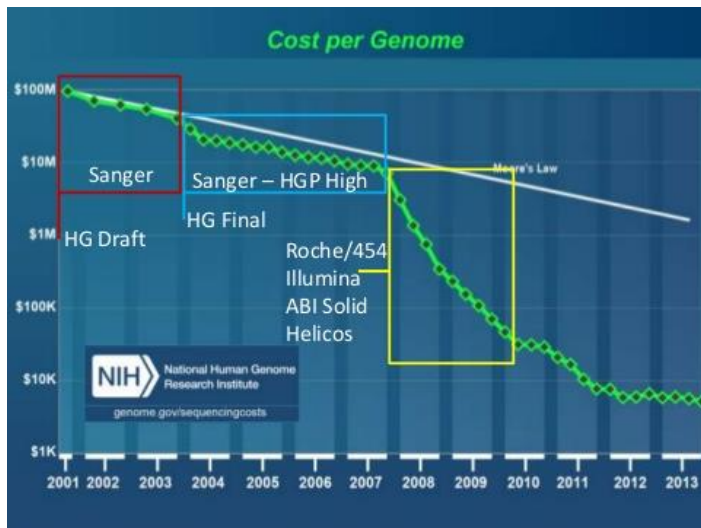
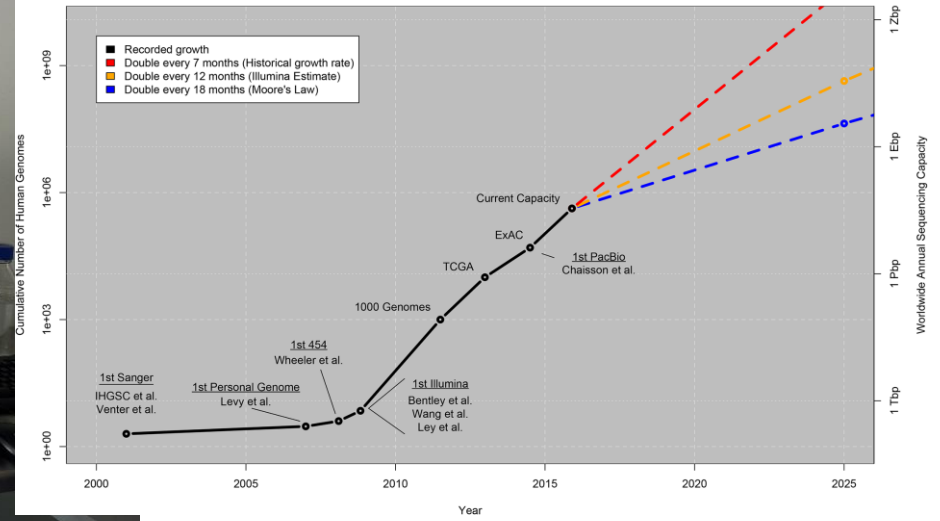
Final report of the High Level Expert Group on Scientific Data  
A submission to the European Commission

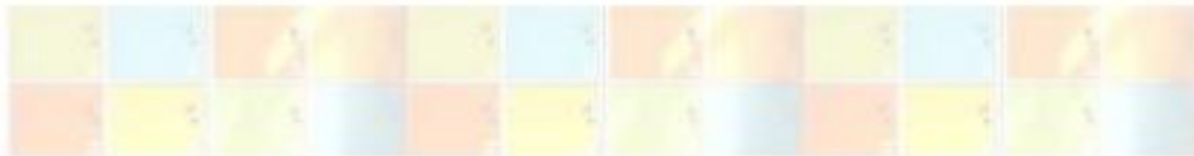
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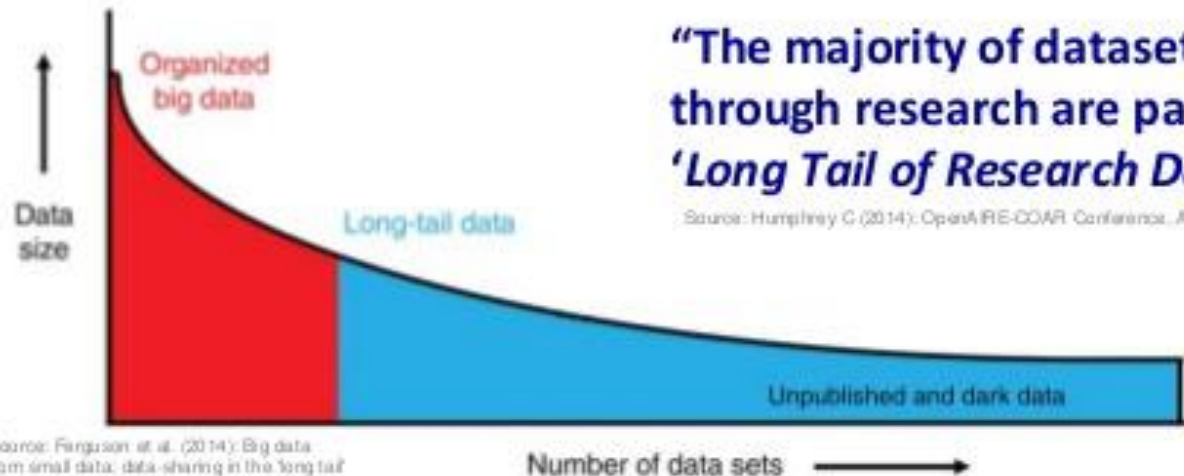


Growth of DNA Sequencing





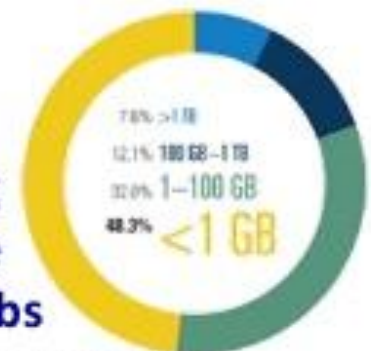
## RESEARCH DATA - "Long Tail"



Source: Ferguson et al. (2014): Big data from small data: data-sharing in the long tail of neuroscience. DOI: 10.1038/nrn3698

Science Survey 2011:

- **48 %** of respondents were working with datasets that were **<1GB in size**
- **50 % stored data exclusively! in labs**



Source: Science (2011): 331(6018): p. 692-693  
DOI: 10.1126/science.331.6018.692

**40 ZETTABYTES**  
[ 43 TRILLION GIGABYTES ]  
of data will be created by 2020, an increase of 300 times from 2005



**Volume**  
SCALE OF DATA



It's estimated that **2.5 QUINTILLION BYTES**  
[ 2.3 TRILLION GIGABYTES ]  
of data are created each day



Most companies in the U.S. have at least **100 TERABYTES**  
[ 100,000 GIGABYTES ]  
of data stored



# The FOUR V's of Big Data

From traffic patterns and music downloads to web history and medical records, data is recorded, stored, and analyzed to enable the technology and services that the world relies on every day. But what exactly is big data, and how can these massive amounts of data be used?

As a leader in the sector, IBM data scientists break big data into four dimensions: **Volume, Velocity, Variety and Veracity**

Depending on the industry and organization, big data encompasses information from multiple internal and external sources such as transactions, social media, enterprise content, sensors and mobile devices. Companies can leverage data to adapt their products and services to better meet customer needs, optimize operations and infrastructure, and find new sources of revenue.

By 2015 **4.4 MILLION IT JOBS** will be created globally to support big data, with 1.9 million in the United States



As of 2011, the global size of data in healthcare was estimated to be

**150 EXABYTES**  
[ 161 BILLION GIGABYTES ]



**30 BILLION PIECES OF CONTENT** are shared on Facebook every month



By 2014, it's anticipated there will be **420 MILLION WEARABLE, WIRELESS HEALTH MONITORS**

**4 BILLION+ HOURS OF VIDEO** are watched on YouTube each month



**400 MILLION TWEETS** are sent per day by about 200 million monthly active users



**Variety**  
DIFFERENT FORMS OF DATA

The New York Stock Exchange captures **1 TB OF TRADE INFORMATION** during each trading session



Modern cars have close to **100 SENSORS** that monitor items such as fuel level and tire pressure

**Velocity**  
ANALYSIS OF STREAMING DATA

By 2016, it is projected there will be **18.9 BILLION NETWORK CONNECTIONS** – almost 2.5 connections per person on earth



**1 IN 3 BUSINESS LEADERS** don't trust the information they use to make decisions



in one survey were unsure of how much of their data was inaccurate



**Veracity**  
UNCERTAINTY OF DATA

Poor data quality costs the US economy around **\$3.1 TRILLION A YEAR**

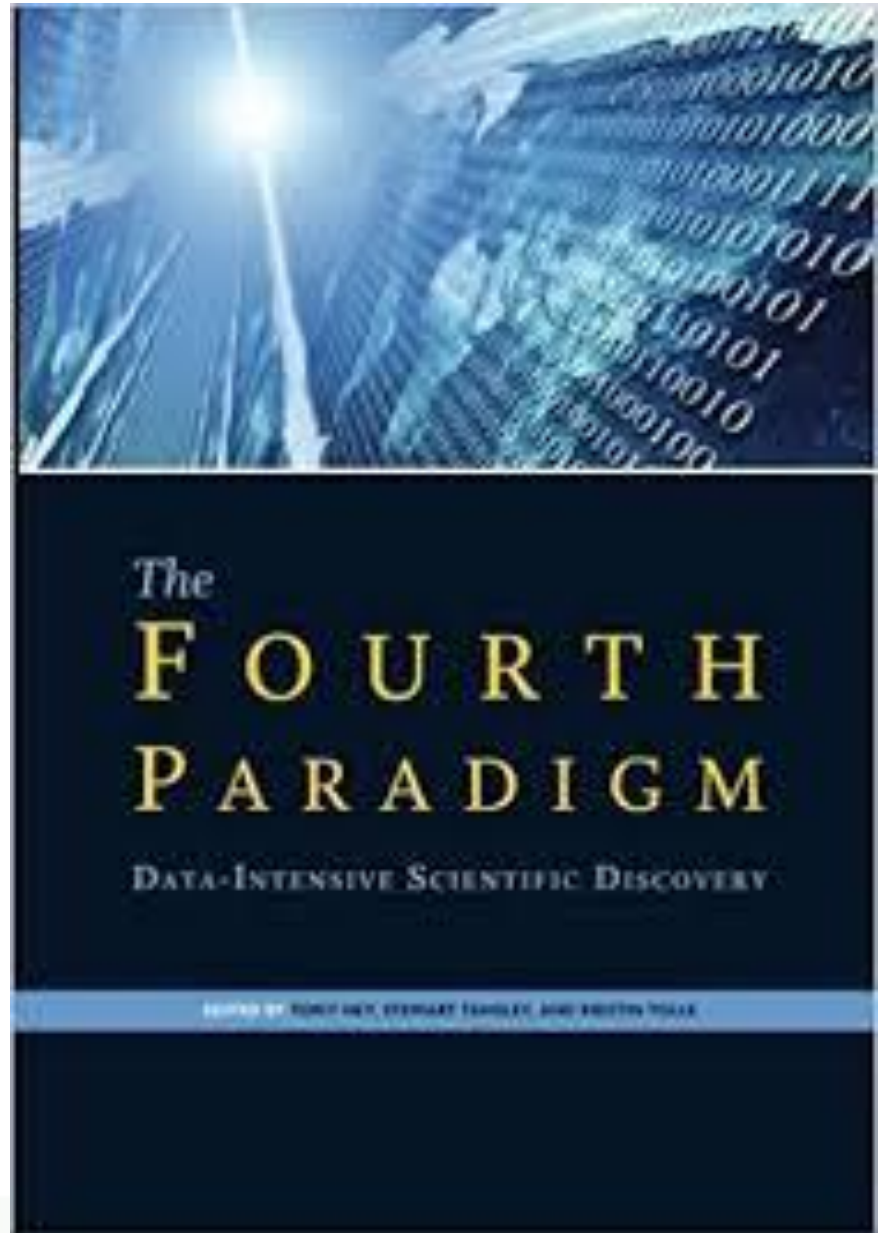


Sources: McKinsey Global Institute, Twitter, Cisco, Gartner, EMC, SAS, IBM, MEPTec, QAS

# Fourth Paradigm

'Increasingly, scientific breakthroughs will be powered by advanced computing capabilities that help researchers manipulate and explore massive datasets.'

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/publication/fourth-paradigm-data-intensive-scientific-discovery/>





# Big Data examples

'Big data is helping us to learn more about the Universe we live in, and to answer some fundamental questions. Reaping all of the benefits that big data offers us means constant innovation in computing and communications.'

<http://www.stfc.ac.uk/files/impact-publications/big-data-big-impact/>



# Changing attitudes to data

‘Open inquiry is at the heart of the scientific enterprise. Publication of scientific theories - and of the experimental and observational data on which they are based - permits others to identify errors, to support, reject or refine theories and to reuse data for further understanding and knowledge. Science’s powerful capacity for self-correction comes from this openness to scrutiny and challenge.’

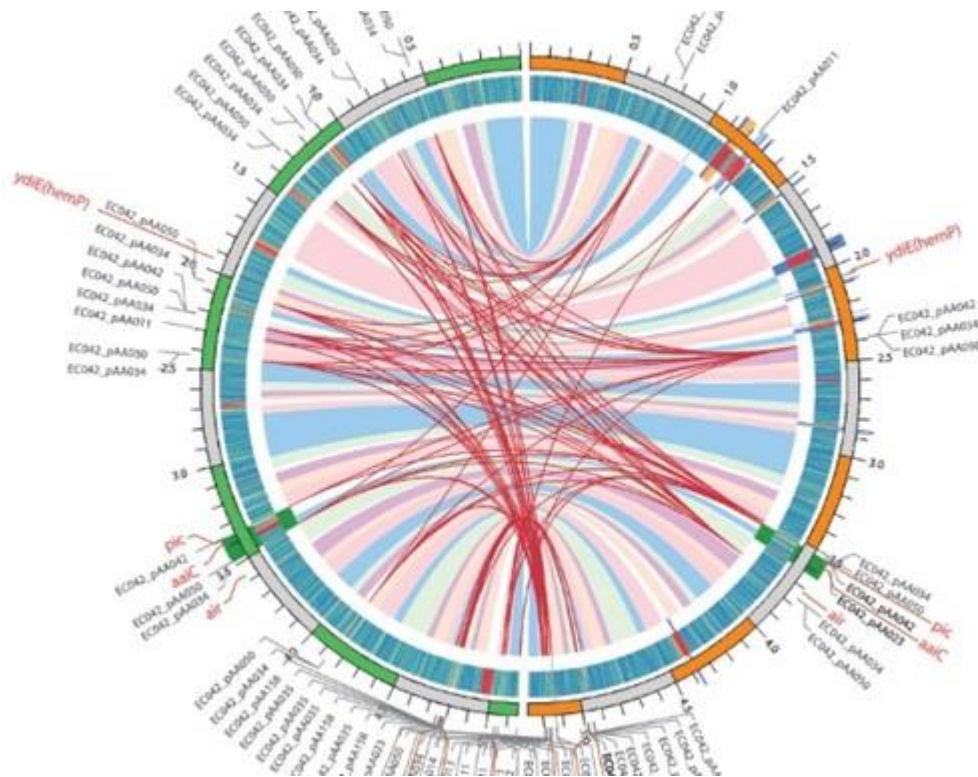
<https://royalsociety.org/topics-policy/projects/science-public-enterprise/report/>



Science as an  
open enterprise

June 2012

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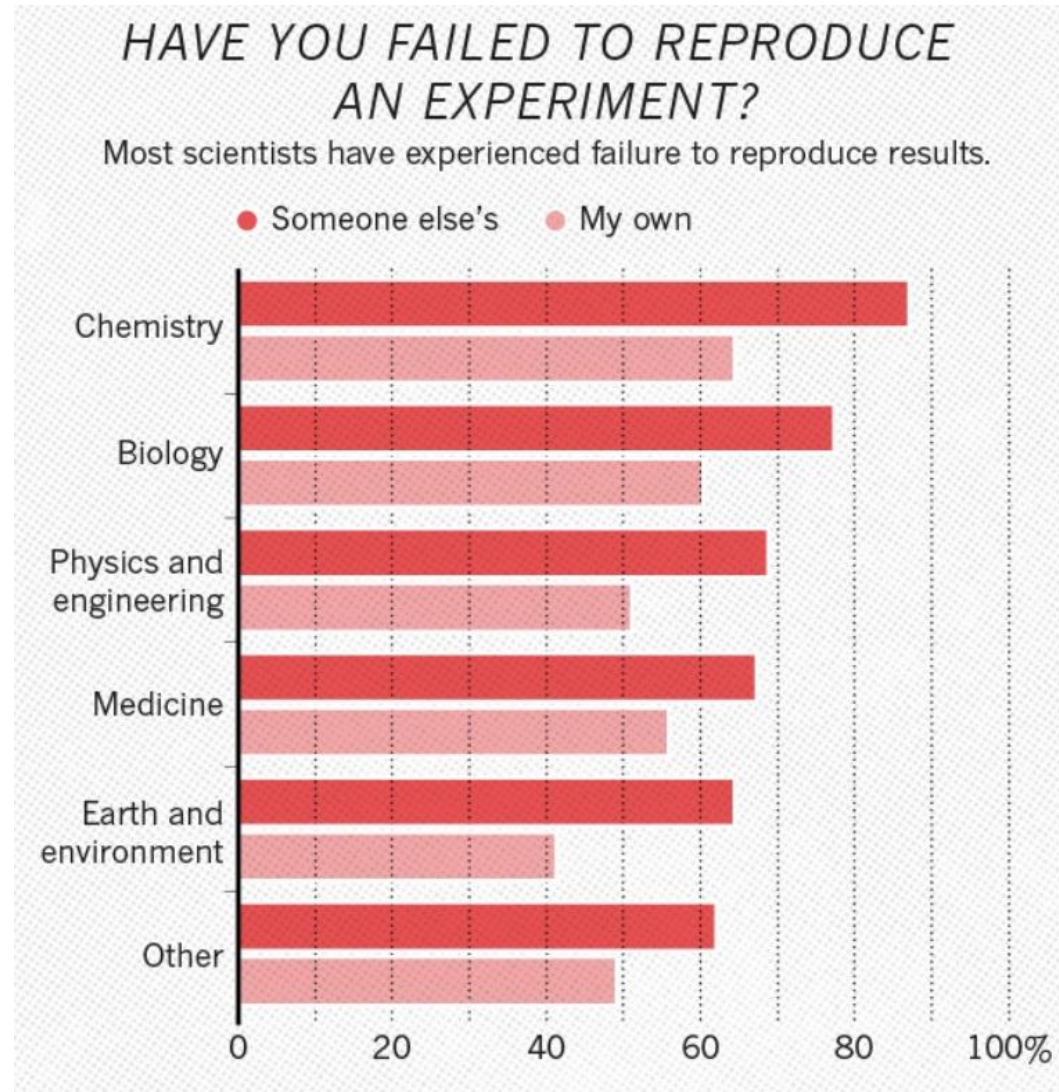


The Spanish Cucumber E. Coli. This genome was analysed within weeks of its outbreak because of a global and open effort; data about the strain's genome sequence were released freely over the internet as soon as they were produced.

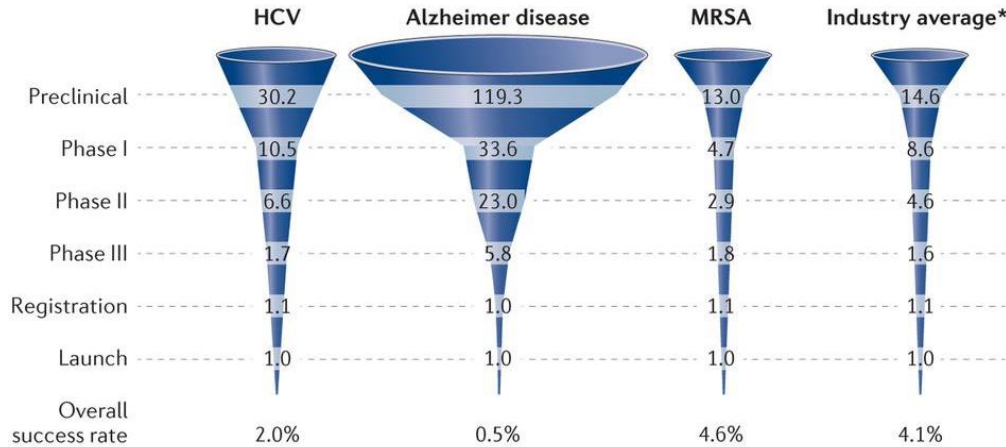
# Reproducibility crisis

Science appears to have an issue with reproducibility. A survey by Nature revealed that 52% of researchers believed there was a “significant reproducibility crisis” and 38% said there was a “slight crisis”.

<http://www.nature.com/news/1-500-scientists-lift-the-lid-on-reproducibility-1.19970>



# Productivity & Irreproducibility

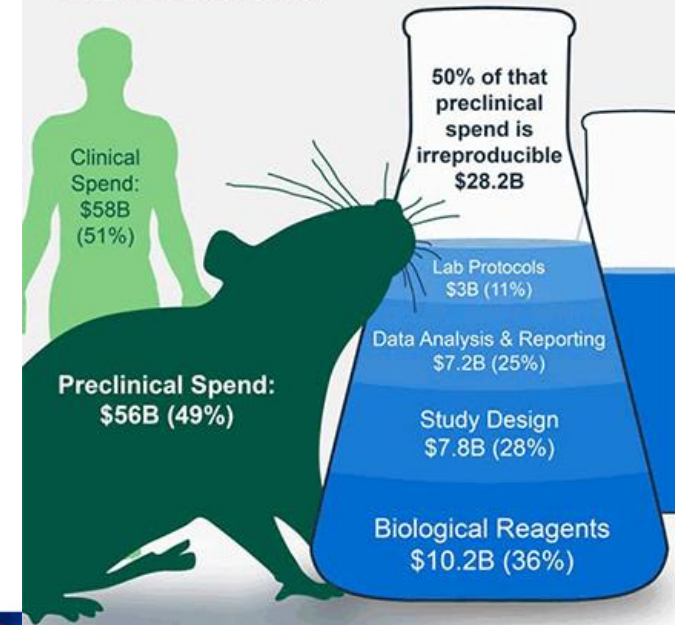


Nature Reviews | Drug Discovery

Paul et al. (Nature Rev. Drug Discov. 9, 203214; 2010)  
Calcoen D, Elias L, Yu X. (Nature Rev. Drug Discov. 14. 161-2; 2015)

## The Economics of Irreproducibility

In the U.S., we spend \$114 billion annually on life sciences research & development.  
Let's trace that spend.



# Research data as a valued output

- Funders are seeing research data a publishable output
- Journals are requesting data alongside the article
- They expect data to be managed (Code for responsible conduct of research)
- They expect it to be available for further research



Australian Government  
Australian Research Council



National Institutes  
of Health



**nature**  
International weekly journal of science

 **PLOS**

**ands**  
AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL DATA ARCHIVE

# Productivity commission report

Extraordinary growth in data generation and usability has enabled a kaleidoscope of new business models, products and insights. Data frameworks and protections developed prior to sweeping digitisation need reform. This is a global phenomenon and Australia, to its detriment, is not yet participating.

Improved data access and use can enable new products and services that transform everyday life, drive efficiency and safety, create productivity gains and allow better decision making.

<https://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/completed/data-access/report>



Australian Government  
Productivity Commission

Data Availability and Use

Productivity Commission  
Inquiry Report

No. 82, 31 March 2017

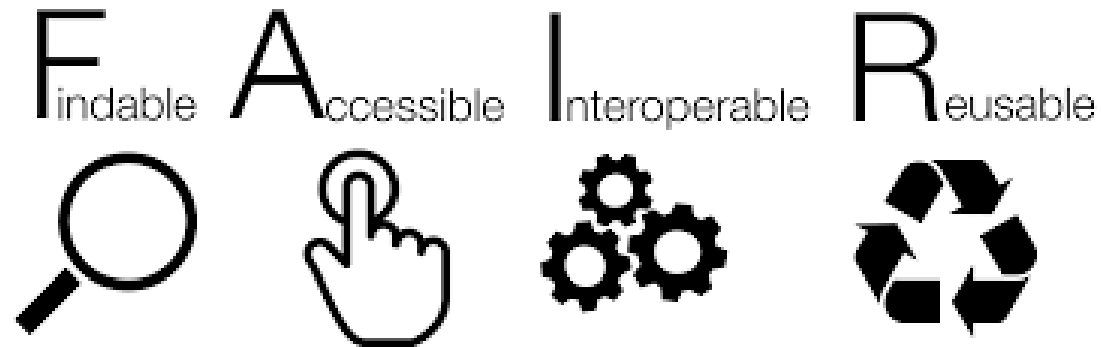
# Four transformations

- Building a data advantage
- Innovative approaches and tools
- Increase (inter)national collaboration
- Translating research outcomes

Requires FAIR data



# What are the FAIR data principles?



<https://www.force11.org/group/fairgroup/fairprinciples>

# PetaJakarta project



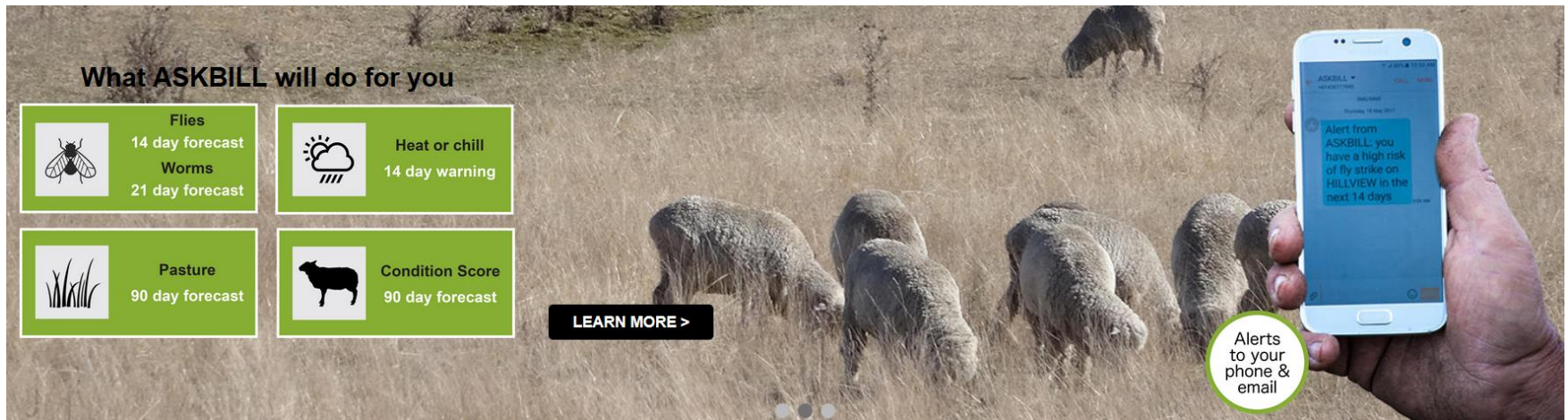
The project was acknowledged by the US Government when their Federal Register cited SMART's PetaJakarta.org project as an example of best practice for using crowdsourced information in an emergency situation.



<http://smart.uow.edu.au/projects/petajakarta-org/index.html>

# SheepCRC Ramselect and AskBill

**RamSelect**<sup>Plus</sup>



**What ASKBILL will do for you**

- Flies**  
14 day forecast
- Worms**  
21 day forecast
- Heat or chill**  
14 day warning
- Pasture**  
90 day forecast
- Condition Score**  
90 day forecast

**LEARN MORE >**

Alerts to your phone & email

Alert from ASKBILL you have a high risk of fly strike on HILLVIEW in the next 14 days

<http://www.farmonline.com.au/story/4667853/askbill-answers-producers-most-important-questions/>

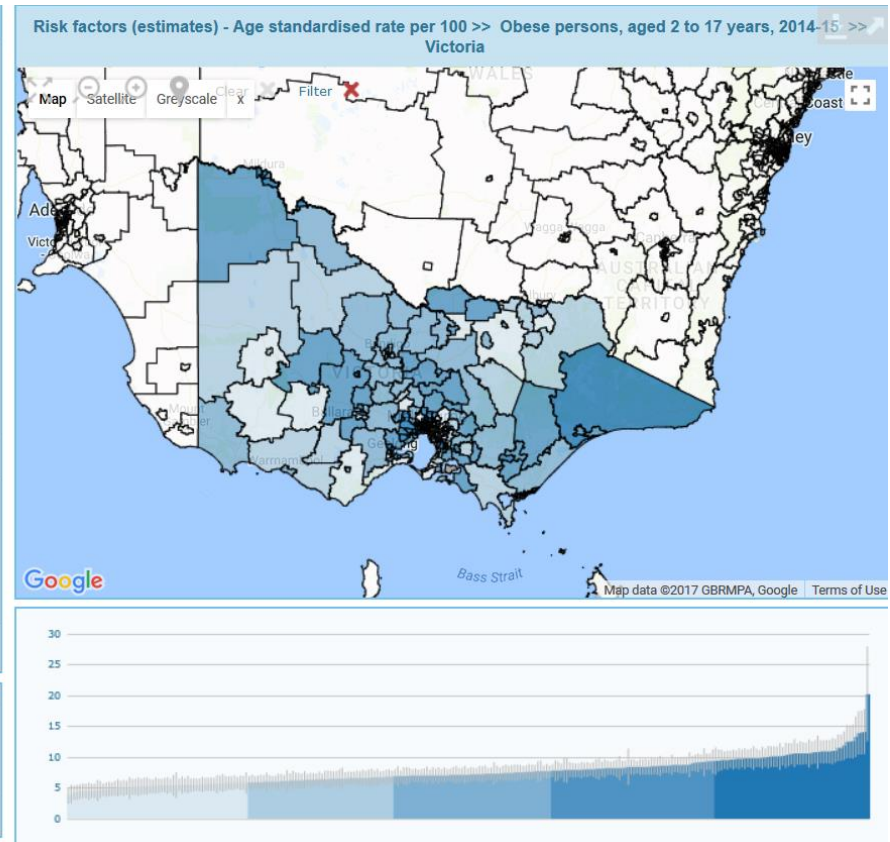
# Health Tracker project

Name		Number
● Vic: Avoca/ Beaufort/ Maryborough Region	8.2	191
● Vic: Golden Plains - North	8.2	75
● Vic: Maryborough (Vic.)	9.4	149
● Vic: Bendigo	8.7	258
● Vic: California Gully - Eaglehawk	10.1	274
● Vic: Bendigo - Central East	7.0	514
● Vic: Kangaroo Flat - Golden Square	8.7	340
● Vic: Maiden Gully	6.5	97
● Vic: Strathfieldsaye	6.2	151
● Vic: Bendigo Region - South	7.1	126
● Vic: Castlemaine/ Castlemaine Region	7.2	240
● Vic: Heathcote	9.2	67
● Vic: Kyneton	7.0	136
● Vic: Woodend	6.4	111
● Vic: Bendigo Region - North	7.3	67
● Vic: Loddon	7.7	99
● Vic: Bannockburn/ Golden Plains - South/ Winchelsea	7.2	346
● Vic: Belmont/ Geelong	7.0	324
● Vic: Corio - Norlane	12.5	738
● Vic: Geelong West - Hamlyn Heights	7.2	282
● Vic: Grovedale	7.9	380
● Vic: Highton/ Newtown (Vic.)	5.6	391
● Vic: Lara	8.2	335
● Vic: Leopold	7.1	192

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Note: The extent to which these estimates may vary from the reported value is shown by the upper and lower confidence intervals; these can be seen by hovering the mouse pointer over the bar chart.

^ modelled estimates not produced for Very Remote areas, Aboriginal communities or where population is less than 1,000; for other data, replaces numbers where total population is less than 100



<http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/health-tracker-do-you-live-in-victorias-fittest-postcode-20170429-gvvd5v.html>

# Services and skills required

- Need for high reliability data
- Need for high reliability data services
- Need for high reliability data computation
- Need partnerships between researchers and skilled data technologists

# Links on Privacy and Ethics

- ANDS guide on [sensitive information](#) and [deidentification](#)



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[ands.org.au](http://ands.org.au)



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