

Information about the Research Study
Clemson University

A Survey of Opinions and Practices Related to Open Access/Open Data Sharing Among
Clemson University's Research Community

KEY INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESEARCH STUDY

You are invited to volunteer for a research study conducted by the University-Wide Open Access Task Force co-chaired by Christopher Cox, Dean of Libraries, and Sheila Lischwe, Director, Office of Sponsored Programs and the members of the Task Force.

Study Purpose: The purpose of this research is to obtain opinions toward open access/open data practices among Clemson University's research community to inform the development of university policy, procedures, and resources designed to assist researchers with complying to funder requirements for data management and sharing.

Voluntary Consent: Participation is voluntary, and you have the option to not participate.

Activities and Procedures: Your part in the study will be to answer a series of multiple choice and open-ended survey questions.

Participation Time: It will take you about 15 minutes to participate in this study.

Risks and Discomforts: We do not know of any risks or discomforts to you in this research study.

Possible Benefits: You may not benefit directly for taking part in this study, however your participation may contribute to the development of university practices and resources to assist with meeting funder requirements for data management and sharing.

PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

The results of this study may be published in scientific journals, professional publications, or educational presentations. Identifiable information collected during the study will be removed and the de-identified information could be used for future research studies or distributed to another investigator for future research studies without additional informed consent from the participants or legally authorized representative.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or concerns about your rights in this research study, please contact the Clemson University IRB office at 864-656-0636 or irb@clemson.edu. The Clemson IRB will not be able to answer some study-specific questions. However, you may contact the Clemson IRB if the research staff cannot be reached or if you wish to speak with someone other than the research staff.

If you have any study related questions or if any problems arise, please contact Sheila T. Lischwe, PhD at slischw@clemson.edu.

CONSENT

By participating in the study, you indicate that you have read the information written above, been allowed to ask any questions, and you are voluntarily choosing to take part in this research. You do not give up any legal rights by taking part in this research study.