The SHARE Mission

SHARE is a higher education initiative whose mission is to maximize research impact by making research widely accessible, discoverable, and reusable. To fulfill this mission SHARE is developing services to gather and freely share information about research and scholarly activities across their life cycle. Making research and scholarship freely and openly available encourages innovation and increases the diversity of innovators.

Where open metadata about research already exists, its usefulness is limited by poor or inconsistent quality or by difficulty of access. For most individuals or groups to use this data, the cost of accessing, collecting, and improving the data is too great. **Enter SHARE**.
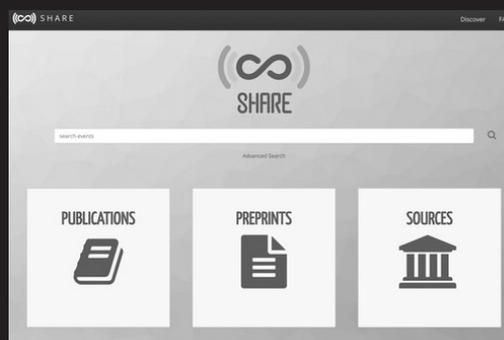
SHARE is building its free, open, data set by gathering, cleaning, linking, and enhancing metadata that describes research activities and outputs—from data management plans and grant proposals to preprints, presentations, journal articles, and research data.

Community involvement is a critical component of SHARE. Community members contribute authoritative metadata enhancements, spearhead projects, and develop software code to help all users get the most out of the SHARE data set.

You can learn more at **http://share-research.org/**, search the SHARE database at **http://share.osf.io/**, and contribute and track tool development at **http://github.com/centerforopenscience/share/**.

Introducing **SHARE 2.0**

SHARE 2.0 launched in September 2016 with enhanced metadata and search capabilities, including filtering by preprint or publication, by subject, by funder, and by institution. SHARE 2.0 gives you the information you need to find new, relevant research and to find potential collaborators.

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Founded by Academic Leaders, Built with Open Technology

SHARE is a partnership between the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) and the Center for Open Science (COS). The SHARE initiative was founded in 2013 by ARL, the Association of American Universities (AAU), and the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU).

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SHARE Values

SHARE values **openness and transparency**. We realize our efforts can only be enhanced by the constructive input of interested stakeholders. We welcome community participation in our projects.

SHARE values **international interoperability**. As a North American initiative, we realize that we represent only a portion of the research effort across the globe. We look for opportunities to develop and adopt standards and practices that help knit the world's research together into a more cohesive and accessible whole.

SHARE values **simple and pragmatic solutions**. We realize that the challenges we are tackling are complex and most solutions will be far from perfect. We look for the simplest approaches and prioritize incremental steps that can demonstrate practical benefit.

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