

HRP DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN

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The purpose of Human Research Program Data Management Plan (DMP) is to define the processes and activities required for the overall management of the research data collected and managed by HRP throughout their life cycle. New updates to the Data Management Plan in 2023 include

1. CAPABILITIES AND SERVICES

Data Repositories. Principal Investigators (PIs) funded by HRP may be asked to submit data to one of several NASA data repositories. HRP archives data in the NASA Life Sciences Portal (NLSP) that it considers to be unique and high value. This includes data from human subjects in space flight (ISS and commercial flights) and ground analogs to spaceflight; spaceflight tech demos involving humans; human omics data including the microbiome; parabolic flight studies; and the NASA Space Radiation Laboratory (NSRL). The Open Science Data Repository (OSDR) includes The Ames Life Sciences Data Archive (ALSDA), used to archive non-human biological data (e.g., animal) generated by the Human Research program, and GeneLab, available to HRP PIs to archive non-human omics data.

Catalog for search and retrieval. A catalog of non-human HRP life science experiments, with all associated descriptions (mission, payload, hardware, and personnel related information), and biospecimens is provided on the NLSP public web site for search and retrieval.

2. IRB ROLE IN RETURN OF INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH RESULTS

The NASA IRB manages the process for incidental findings and for returning results to subjects for studies for which NASA IRB is the IRB of record. Omics data, especially genomics data, may generate information significant to the health of or risk to a research subject. These data potentially hold the keys to understand lifetime risks of chronic diseases, such as cancer, as well as risks associated with exposures common in space flight.

3. UPDATE OF TERMS – IDENTIFIABLE AND ATTRIBUTABLE DATA

HRP now follows Federal and NASA policy by using “identifiable” instead of “attributable” for Personally Identifiable Information (PII).

4. POLICY ABOUT INTERNAL NON-RESEARCH USE OF DATA

The HRP Chief Scientist grants access to data from HRP-funded research for non-research internal use that includes program management, customer facilitation, strategic planning, and risk research planning. Typical HRP personnel granted access to HRP research data for internal use include the Element Scientist, Subject Matter Experts (SME), and Data/bioinformatics Scientists. If data accessed for Internal Use is provided to an intramural or extramural scientist for hypothesis driven research, all Federal and NASA regulations (e.g., IRB review) regarding human subject research apply.