## Data management and sharing requirements for Cancer Research UK (CRUK) funded research

### Resource types covered:
Research outputs that are safe to share, including data and code that underpin publications, as well as unpublished data.

### Data Plan:
- A ‘Data Management and Sharing Plan’ must be completed & uploaded to the electronic grant management system (eGMS) as an appendix:
  - Population Research Committee: a structured template must be completed & uploaded
  - Other committees: a free-text plan should be written that addresses the key themes

### Data-related funds:
Data-related fees may be requested, on condition that the purpose of the expenditure is explained in the application.

### Retention:
CRUK states outputs must be kept for at least 5 years after grant closure. The LSHTM Retention Schedule, which requires research outputs be retained for a minimum of 10 years, will take precedent.

### Data standards:
Open, well-documented standards and formats appropriate to the subject.

### Documentation:
Subject-specific documentation should be produced that describes the content and context in which it was created.

### Hosting arrangements:
Deposit with an appropriate subject specific repository is encouraged. If one does not exist, a generic or institutional repository is appropriate – see subject-specific guides below.

### Sharing timescales:
No later than acceptance for publication of the main findings from the final dataset, or on a timescale in line with the procedures of the relevant domain (unless 3rd party agreements or IP protection apply).

### Rights:
IPR will remain with the institution(s) performing the research. However, CRUK require that they are granted a non-exclusive licence to use data for non-commercial research.

### Monitoring:
Data management and sharing activities should be reported in progress reports and the final report.

### References:
- Practical guidance for researchers on writing data sharing plans (including subject-specific guides)
- Data Sharing Guidelines
- Data Sharing FAQs