

World Cancer Research Fund Data Management Summary



This guide summarises the data management and sharing requirements for research funded by the World Cancer Research Fund (WCRF). Please visit their website for further details.

Resource types: Qualitative data, quantitative data, software code, scripts and other research outputs.

Data Plan: WCRF do not require a Data Plan. Funded projects should complete an LSHTM Data Management Plan for internal use.

Data-related funds: Not stated. Funding will not be provided for indirect costs.

Retention: Data should be kept for a minimum of 10 years following the end of the funding period.

Data standards: Open, well-documented standards and formats should be used. See <https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/manage-data/format/> for examples.

Documentation: Research governance practice should conform with LSHTM SOPs and the UK Department of Health Research Governance Framework.

Data hosting: Research findings and underlying data must be “made available for critical review through accepted scientific and professional channels” and study participants, in accordance with the UKDHR Governance Framework.

Sharing timescales: A release embargo is permitted to allow publication of research findings – recommend a maximum of 12 months from the end of grant.

Rights: IPR will typically remain with the institution(s) performing the research. The WCRF reserve the right to make copies of data for national members.

Monitoring: Regular progress reports must be provided.

References:

- World Cancer Research Fund: Funded Programmes
<http://www.wcrf.org/int/research-we-fund/grant-programmes>
- Research governance framework for health and social care: second edition
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/research-governance-framework-for-health-and-social-care-second-edition>
- WCRF Continuous Update Project (CUP)
<http://wcrf.org/int/research-we-fund/continuous-update-project-cup>