Legal *Inter*-operability & *Intra*-operability of Research Data:

The Case of the Research Compendium

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Compendium?

So, what is a Research

1.3 Research compendia

The term research compendium was coined by Gentleman and Lang (2007) who "introduce[d] the concept of a compendium as both a container for the different elements that make up the document and its computations (i.e. text, code, data,...), and as a means for distributing, managing and updating the collection." According to Marwick, Boettiger, and Mullen (2018) it provides "a standard and easily recognisable way for organising the digital materials of a research project to enable other researchers to inspect, reproduce, and extend the research". This standard may differ between scien-

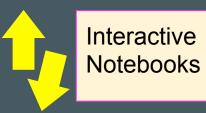
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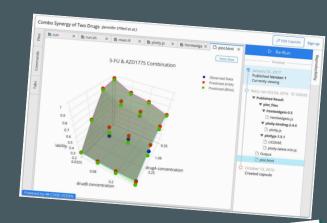


Compute capsules

Jupyter notebooks



R Projects R Notebooks





 Living publication (data + code + environment)



- Facilitate reproducibility
- Encourage investigation of results making it easy to recreate the environment the result was created in





Computational Narratives

Also known as



Living Paper

eLife's new computationally reproducible article will allow users to modify figures

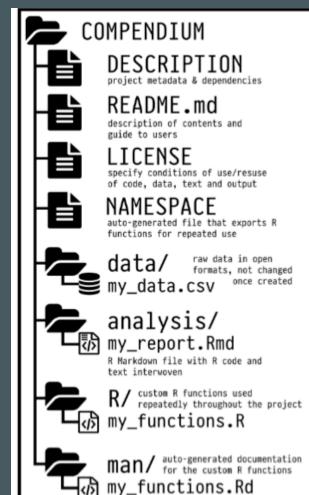








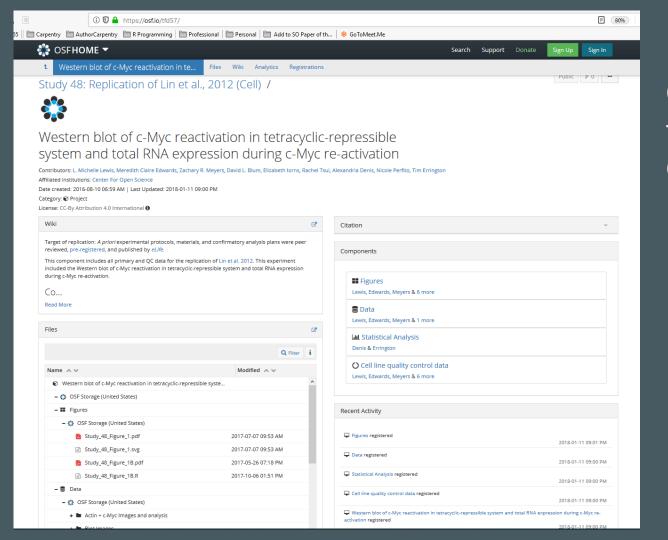




Characteristics of the Research Compendium

- Data rich digital research object
- Combines text and markup, underlying data, code for analysis, figures/plots
- Multiple files representing diverse formats and types of digital objects
- Electronically packaged into a compound object for digital distribution

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Why worry about the Legal

Interoperability of a Research

Compendium?

Why worry about licensing of Research Compendium

- Gaining wider interest among research authors Early adopter publishers are attracting buzz with their experiments
- Observable confusion and misunderstanding
- Hard to find good examples of licensing done right
- Not-so-hard to find examples of worrisome licensing practices



Licensing for research compendia?

■ Best Practices reproducibility, research-compendia

As I was creating the repo and was confronted with assigning a license, I was stumped on how best to license this project. In **@benmarwick**, **@cboettig**, and **@lincoln** paper the discuss licensing and follow the suggestions in

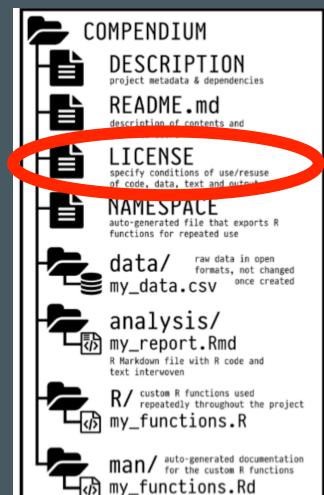
https://web.stanford.edu/~vcs/papers/ERROLSI03092009.pdf. Essentially the different parts of a research compendia should have different licenses. For example, the manuscript and figures could use CC-BY, the code MIT, and the data CC0.

My question is more on the nuts and bolts best practice of capturing the fact that a compendia would be released under the multiple licenses. Should I:

- List License: CC-BY, MIT, CC0 in the DESCRIPTION
- Explain in a README
- Both
- Something else?

I've dug around and can't find an implementation of this multiple license concept for compendia. Thoughts most welcome!

Question 1. Won't one omnibus license cover the whole aggregation of objects?

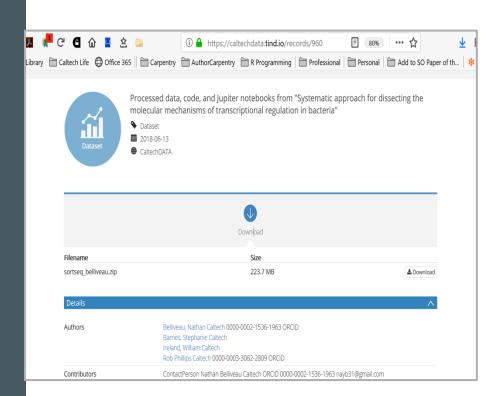


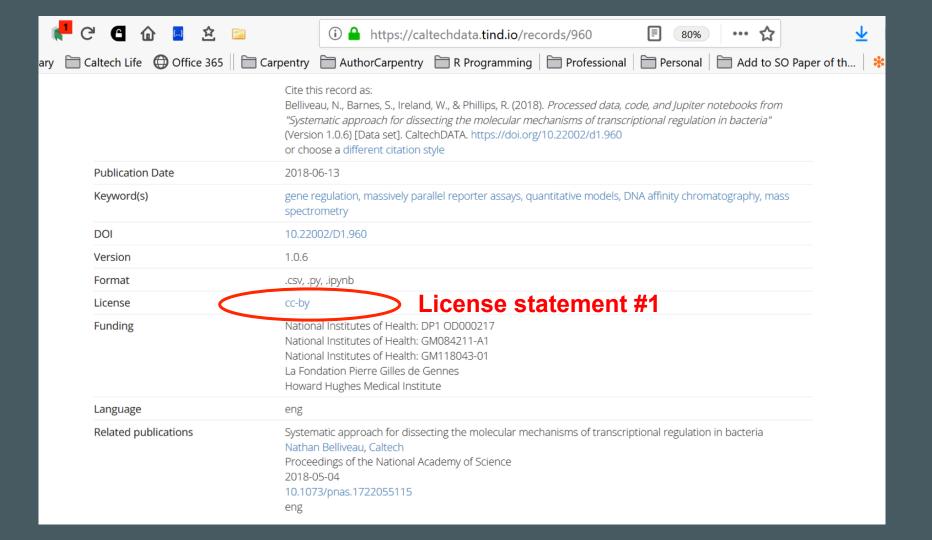
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Example 1:

Jupyter Notebook (and related files) zipped as one record in CaltechData Repository and used locally with relevant installed dependencies





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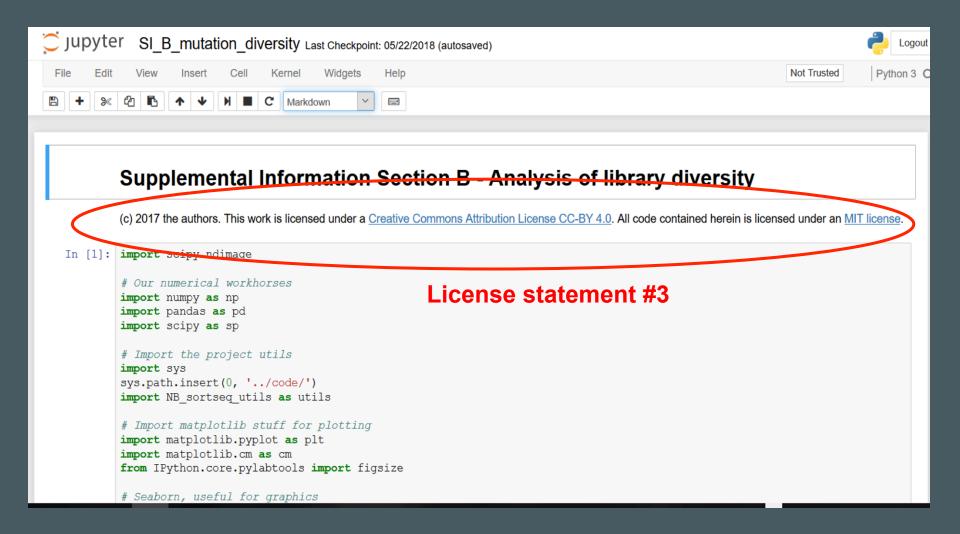
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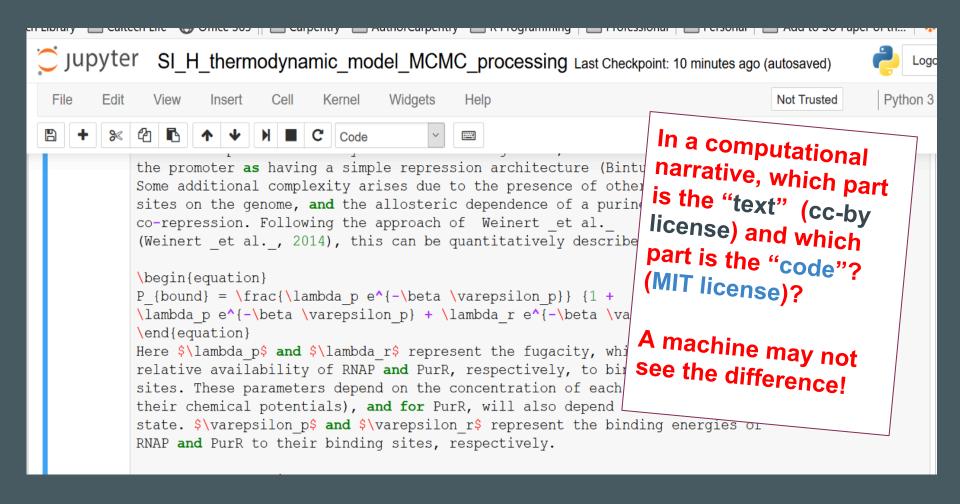
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Example 2:

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Getting started with our reproducible article

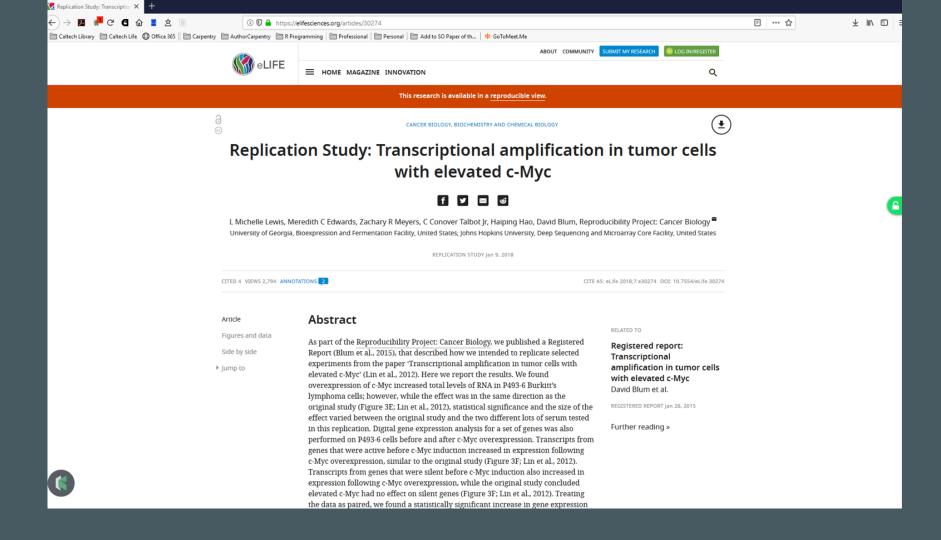
Our reproducible article demo showcases just some of the functionality that RDS tools will permit, and it's intended as an easy starting point for exploring the technology. Here's what you can do:

- Look out for the round blue 'R script'-labelled buttons below Figure 1. Click it to reveal the code that generated that figure.
- Edit that code, and press shift-enter to re-run it.
- Observe the results in the figure in real time.

Future iterations will enable fully downloadable datasets and table data, more interactive figure types, and the ability to download a pre-packaged DAR source file to make it much easier to fully replicate the whole reproducible manuscript in your local environment.

You can see more of the RDS' potential in action by taking a look at this <u>demo of</u> Stencila, one of the platforms behind the project.

https://elifesciences.org/labs/ad58f08d/introducing-elife-s-first-computationally-reproducible-article





Figures and data

Side by side

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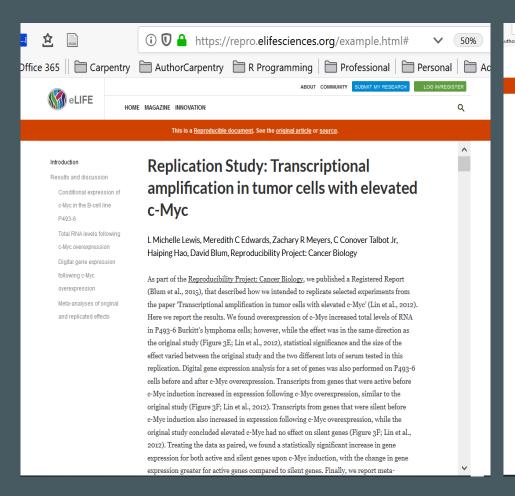
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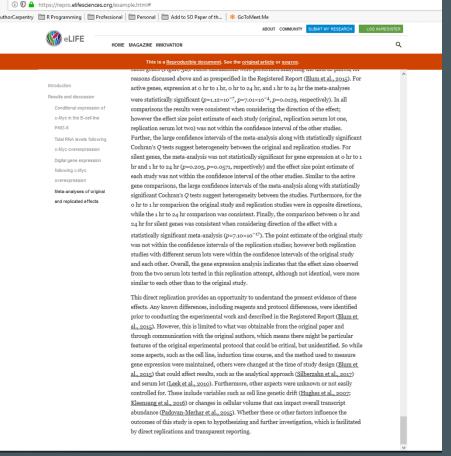


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Introduction

Results and discussion

Conditional expression of

c-Myc in the B-cell line

P493-6

Total RNA levels following

c-Myc overexpression

Digital gene expression

following c-Myc

overexpression

Meta-analyses of original

and replicated effects

NOTE: Below is a reproducible version of Figure 1B. You can inspect the code, make changes and run the code by pressing SHIFT+ENTER. The data used can be <u>downloaded here</u>.

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R Script

status: ready (run code with û 리)

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library(gmlot2)
library(cowplot)

#names raw data from protocol 2 from csv file

data2 <- read.csv("article/Study_48_Protocol_2_Data.csv", header=T, sep=",")

#creates new column calculating RNA in 100uL

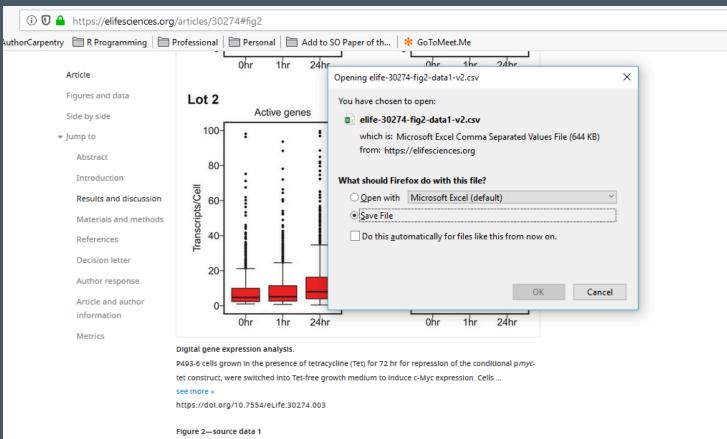
data2$RNA.100uL <- data2$Average.RNA.Concentration*100|

##calculates RNA per cell

data2$RNA.per.cell <- data2$RNA.100uL/data2$Total.Cells.Harvested

#calculates RNA per 1000 cells

data2$value <- data2$RNA.per.cell*1000</pre>
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List of Reporter CodeSets and gene expression values.

https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.30274.006 Download elife-30274-fig2-data1-v2.csv

To test whether active genes, as well as silent genes, increased expression during c-Myc induction we performed the confirmatory analysis as outlined in the

Questions about Licensing Practices for the RC Does a license in the metadata record inherit all the way through the file directory to apply to all files?

- Can we devise a top level rights statement in the metadata record that links to a more detailed list of licenses associated with each file?
- What is the legal status of a compendium with conflicting licenses?

Questions about Licensing Practices for the RC (2)

- Does the license need to appear in each manifestation of the paper? (HTML, PDF, and the interactive version)
- What does 'code' mean in the context of computational narrative where the text itself may be computed?
- Other ????



Please join our IG to discuss many other legal questions around FAIR licensing of Research Compendia!

https://rd-alliance.org/groups/rdacodata-legal-interoperability-ig.html