

Who is afraid of Data Publishing – The ESSD Experience

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Who **should be** ~~Scared~~ of Data Publishing ?

Respectful (Jan Brase)

Everybody !!

- At least those who ~~don't like~~ a tough challenge
recognize



Who **should** really be Afraid of Data Publishing ?

- Those who
 - **Invented** their data (Stapel),
 - **Selected data with a bias** (notorious: Clinical trials)
 - **Read wrong or too much** from their data (Reinhart/Rogoff)
- Those who build **business-models** on a **monopoly on knowledge or facts**, e.g.
 - Non-OA Publishers
 - Institutes which consider data collections as “their” **capital**



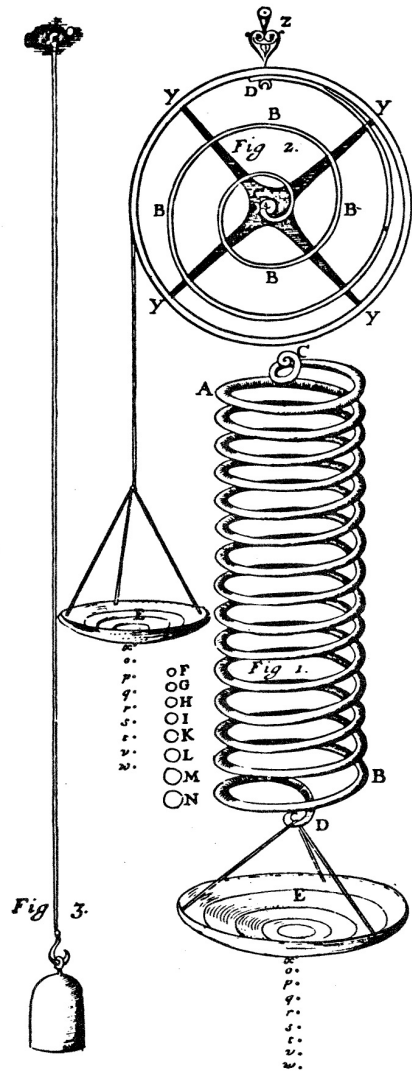
Royal Society: Science as an Open Enterprise (2012)

- **Open enquiry has been at the heart of science** since the first scientific journals were printed in the **seventeenth century**. . . .
- Science's capacity for **self-correction** comes from this openness to scrutiny and challenge.
- **RS applied this to data:**
Intelligent Openness





Scared in the 17th Century



Hooke, published

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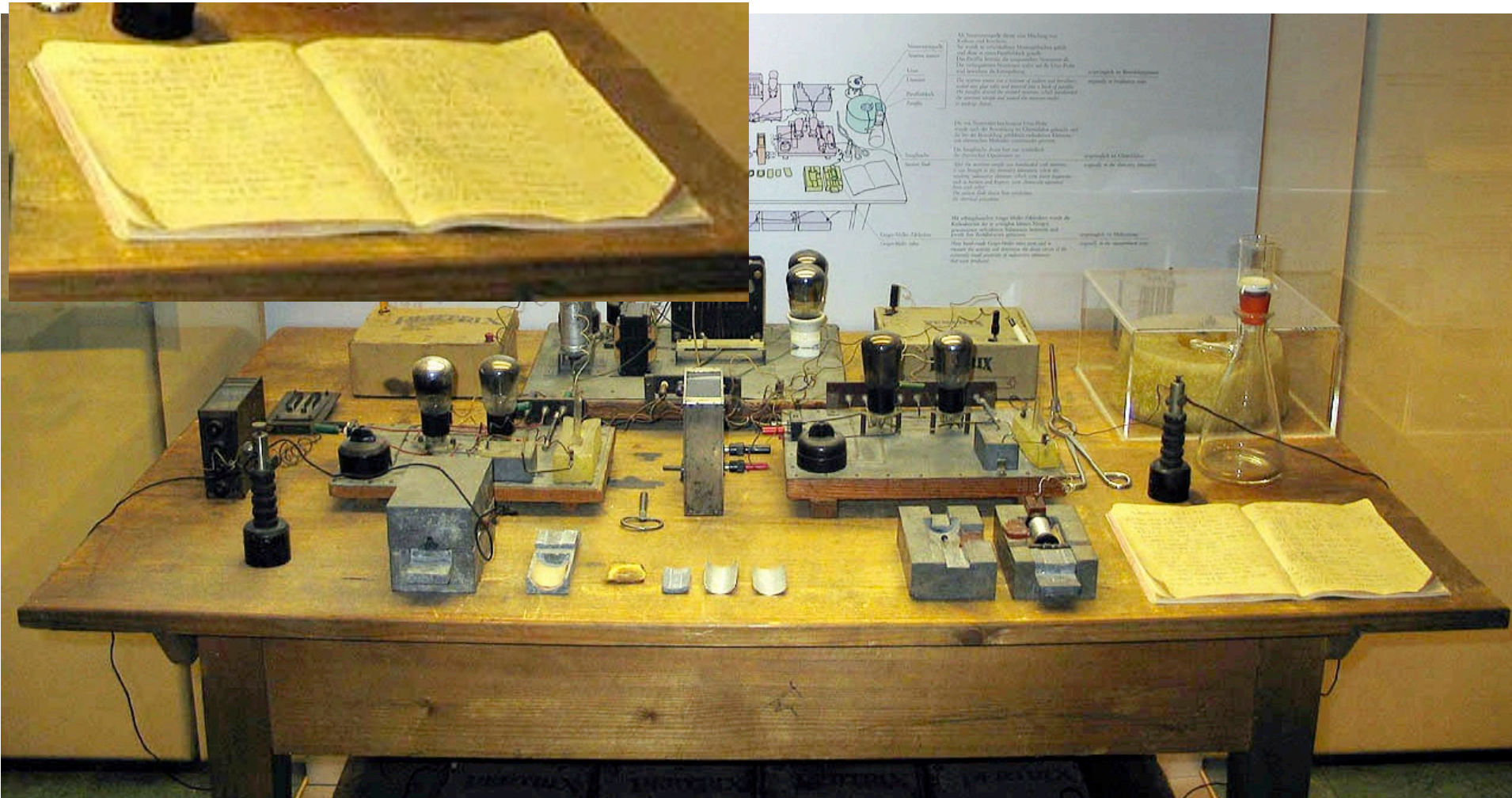
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For Anno **1665, and 1666.**

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Printed by T. N. for John Martyn at the Bell, a little with-
out Temple-Bar, and James Allestry in Duck-Lane,
Printers to the Royal Society.



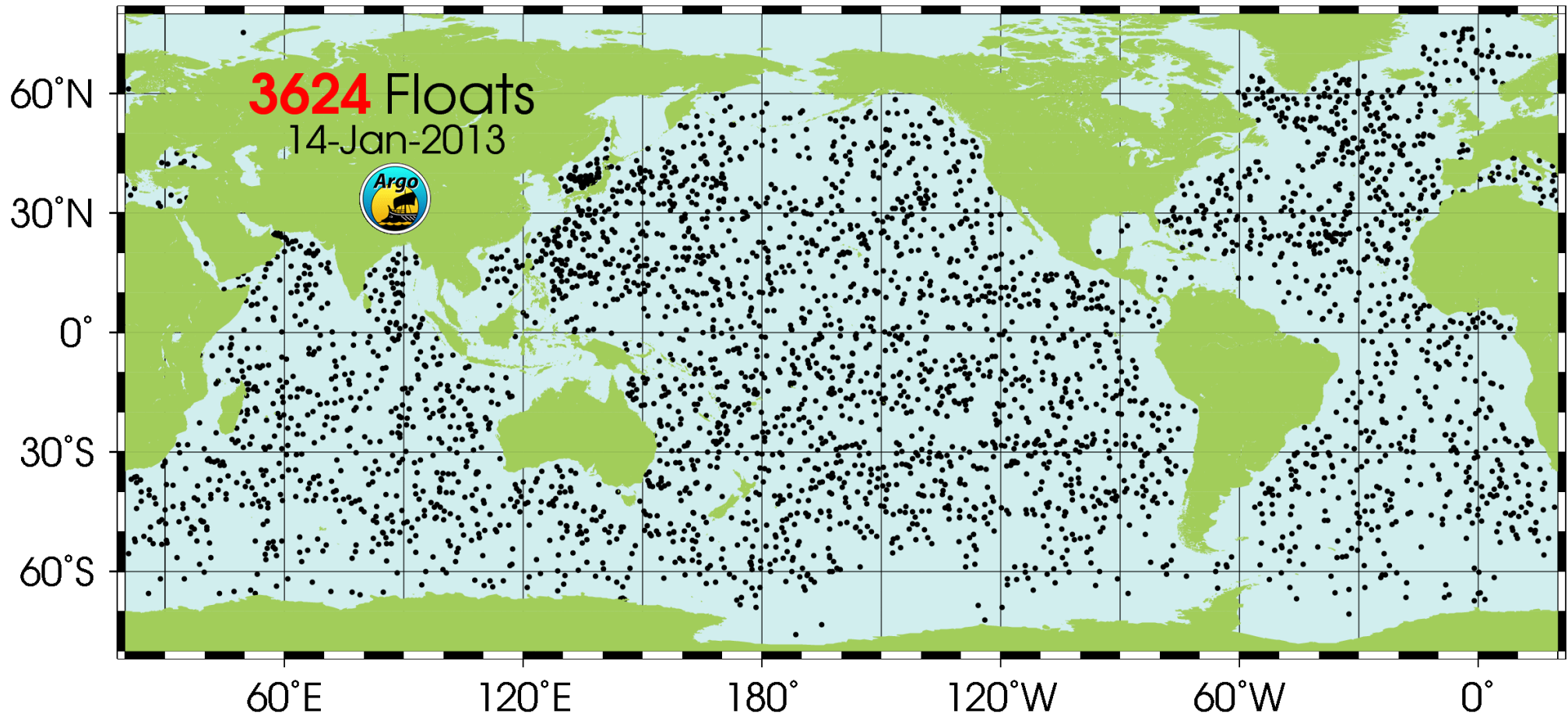
Meitner-Hahn-Strassmann Uran-Experiment, Berlin-Dahlem, 1938



The last big discovery by a small group with a **lab notebook** ?



What we do today: ARGO, the biggest experiment in the world





ARGO is not Scared of „Data Publishing“ !

What is really fascinating: There are

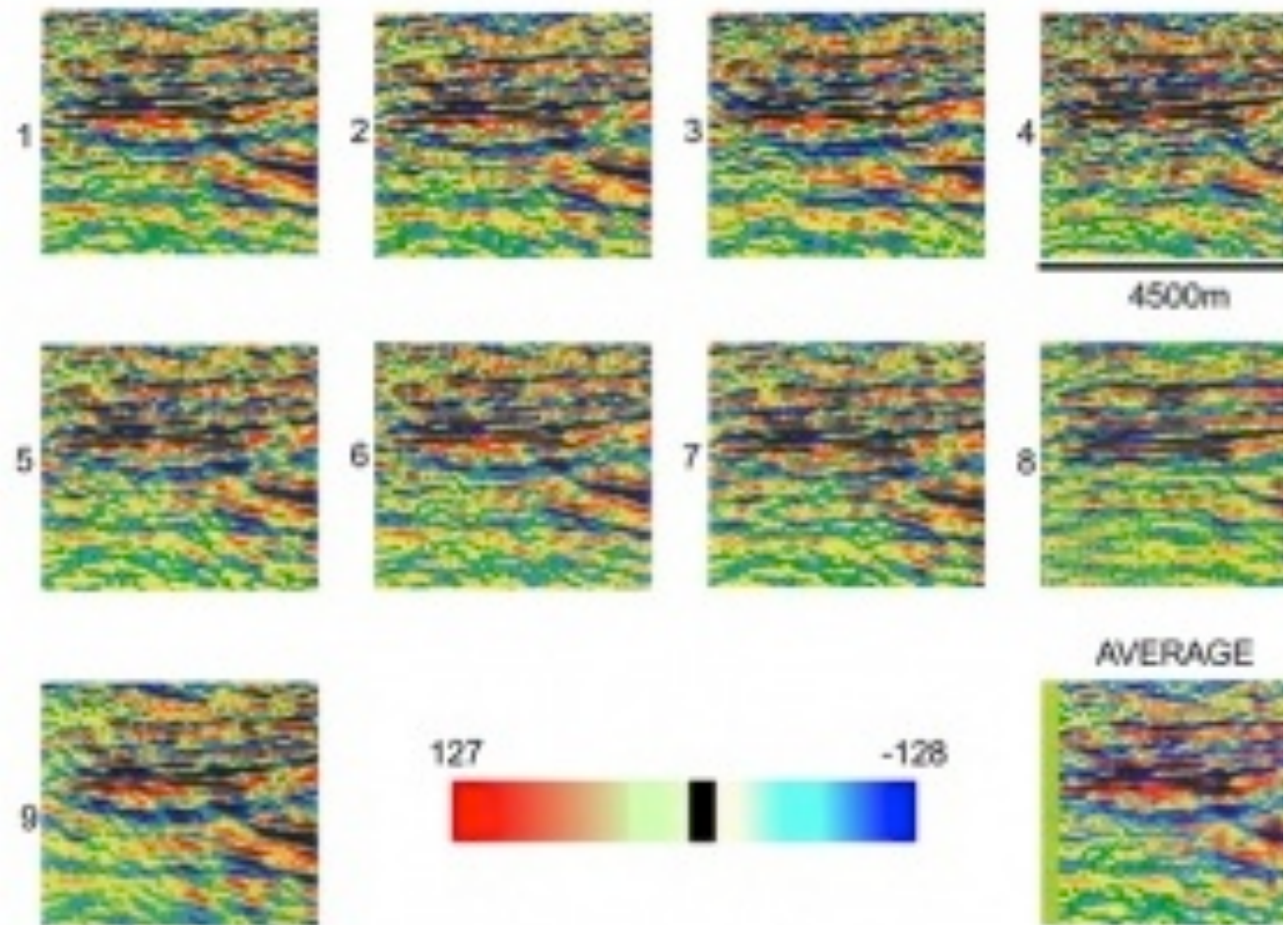
- More than 3.000 buoys
- from more than 30 countries, lots of companies and yet there is:
 - Co-ordinated (quality) data management
 - One (“published”) standard for instruments
 - One (“published”) standard for formats
 - One (“published”?) standard for processing
 - **Open access to data - (almost) no delay**



The Dangers of Working in Closed Silos – „Does computation threaten the scientific method?“

- „using the **same processed** data from eight other companies, the **same algorithms** in the **same programming language**, using the **same input data**, just **coded independently**

- L.Hatton, A. Giordani
ISGTW





Data Publishing Challenge #1

- **Quality of Data**

- **Royal Soc. “intelligent Openness” (2012):**
Data need to be “... assessable. Recipients need to be able to make some judgment or assessment of what is communicated.
- **“Guidelines on Data Management in Horizon 2020” (2013):**
“... are data provided in a way that judgments can be made about their reliability and the competence of those who created them)

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Require Estimate of Error and Data Provenance - No fancy interpretations!

For balloon-borne ozone profile measurements a pump correction has to be applied in order to compensate the decreasing pump efficiency with increasing height and changing air temperature. Both, an inadequate pump correction and an erroneous estimate of residual ozone above the height of balloon burst may contribute to the overall measurement error of the ozone profile. Usually an independent column ozone observation X_D by spectrometer measurement is compared with the integrated column ozone X_S between the ground level and the height of balloon burst plus estimated residual ozone above that level to adjust the recorded profile values. The correction factor is

$$C = X_D / X_S.$$

Systematic differences and random errors of the electrochemical ozone sonde, type CSR, has been estimated by analysing 20 tandem ozone soundings at the Aerological Observatory Lindenberg in 1982 (Feister et al., 1985). Random errors are at their maximum of about 10 to 13% in the troposphere and above 32 km, and reach a minimum of 2 to 5% between 20 and 28 km. The mean random error is 11.5% in the troposphere, 7% in the stratosphere beneath the ozone maximum height (ca. 22 km), and 5.6% above that height.

2 Data Provenance and Structure

The first permanently operated German research base – later named Georg-Forster-Station – was established in 1976 in the Schirmacher Oasis at 70°46' S, 11°41' E. Since then the station was permanently used and operated as an annex to the Russian station Novolazarevskaya until 1987, and then as a German Antarctic station named after

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Antarctic
ozonesonde profiles

G. König-Langlo and
H. Gernandt

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Mesospheric CO above Troll station, Antarctica observed by a ground based microwave radiometer

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Abstract. This paper presents mesospheric carbon monoxide (CO) data acquired by the ground-based microwave radiometer of the British Antarctic Survey (BAS radiometer) stationed at Troll station in Antarctica (72° S, 2.5° E, 1270 a.m.s.l.). The data set covers the period from February 2008 to January 2010, however, due to very low CO



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Middle atmospheric carbon monoxide above Troll station, Antarctica from February 2008 - January 2010
GB/NERC/BAS/PDC/00789

Summary

Abstract:

This data set contains mesospheric carbon monoxide (CO) data acquired by the ground-based microwave radiometer of the British Antarctic Survey (BAS radiometer) stationed at Troll station in Antarctica (72 deg S, 2.5 deg E, 1270 amsl). The BAS radiometer has been designed in order to study the effects of energetic particle precipitation on the middle and upper atmosphere, using nitric oxide and ozone measurements. This data set contains the CO measurements carried out in order to study the dynamical context.

The data set covers the period from February 2008 to January 2010. however, due to very low CO concentrations

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BAS microwave radiometer CO profiles acquired at Troll station, Antarctica between Feb 2008 and Jan 2010

Contact: Patrick Espy, tel: +47 73 55 10 95, email: patrick.espy@ntnu.no

date [UT]: 2009-10-19 10:44:06

apriori contribution: The profile is most reliable where the contribution from the a priori profile is less than approx. Negative values are a scaling artifact and should be regarded as close to 0.

The 2-sigma systematic errors provided have been determined using perturbation calculations:

temperature error: error induced by the temperature profile (estimated error = 5K) needed as additional information for the retrieval, mainly random

calibration error: error induced by the calibration of the measured spectrum (estimated error = 10 percent), can be sys

spectroscopy error: we used lineintensity from HITRAN 2004 with an estimated error of 2 percent, systematic

channel shape error: uncertainty due to the use of a modified channel response function in the retrieval in order to cor for an instability in one of the radiometers local oscillators after 2008-08-09, systematic

Error from measurement noise [K]: 0.1510, random

Smoothing error: This error only needs to be considered if the profiles of the BAS radiometer are compared to profiles with a significantly larger vertical resolution. For such a comparison the better way would be to convolve the high-resolution profile with the AVK of the retrievals.

Sum of errors: To build the sum of certain errors they are added up as follows $\sqrt{\text{error1}^2 + \text{error2}^2}$

pressure [hPa]	altitude [km]	vmr [ppmv]	apriori contribution [percent]	temperature error [ppmv]	calibration error [ppmv]	spectroscopy error [ppmv]
0.749894	50.679	0.060	-5.939	0.003	0.048	0.010
0.562341	53.021	0.065	-20.151	0.002	0.056	0.011
0.421697	55.337	0.072	-27.600	0.002	0.061	0.012
0.316228	57.609	0.080	-29.442	0.004	0.067	0.013



Data Publishing Challenge #2

- **Citability / Cite-worthy-ness / Reputation**
 - **NSF Proposal Preparation Instructions (2013)**
Proposals / PIs' CVs must contain:
“A list of: (i) up to **five products ...** Acceptable products **must be citable and accessible** including but not limited to **publications, data sets, software, ...**”
 - **DFG “Rules of Good Scientific Practice” (2013):**
Recommendation 12 on authorship:
contribution may be **“preparation ... of data”**

Fluxes of sedimenting material from sediment traps in the Atlantic Ocean

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Review Status

This discussion paper is under review for the journal Earth System Science Data (ESSD).

A huge work to find, assess, collate (quality) data;

24 out of 43 text pages are source data references!

Abstract. We provide a data set assemblage of directly observed and derived fluxes of sedimenting material (total mass, POC, PON, BSiO₂, CaCO₃, PIC and lithogenic/terrigenous fluxes) obtained using sediment traps. This data assemblage contains over 5900 data points distributed across the Atlantic, from the Arctic Ocean to the Southern Ocean. Data from the Mediterranean Sea are also included. Data were compiled from a variety of sources: data repositories (e.g., BCO-DMO, PANGAEA), time series sites (e.g., BATS, CARIACO), published scientific papers and data provided by originating PI's. All sources are specified within the combined data set. Data from the World Ocean Atlas 2009 were extracted to coincide with flux



Does citation already work as an incentive?

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Reviewer: „no effort appears to have been made to engage the specialist scientists who have spent months or years at sea collecting such data. “ - not knowing that:

Authors asked 164 potential contributors – got answer from 13!



Data Publishing Challenge #3

- **Linking text and data ... and much more**
 - The Lancet **“Reducing waste from incomplete or unusable reports of biomedical research” (2014)**
 - **“... studies of published trial reports showed that ... 40–89% were non-replicable”**
 - Offered a long laundry list of **“Components of study documentation” to be published**



Now this laundry list is *really scary!*

- 1 The **protocol** and related documents, such as details submitted for study registration
- 3 Supplementary materials, such as education materials for patients, clinician **training resources, and videos**
- 7 The **primary data, data manuals, and statistical code** for analyses
- 9 **Reliable and stable bidirectional linkages between all these elements**

2012: Nature CC & ESSD; Carbon data aggregation at global scale



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The global carbon budget 1959–2011

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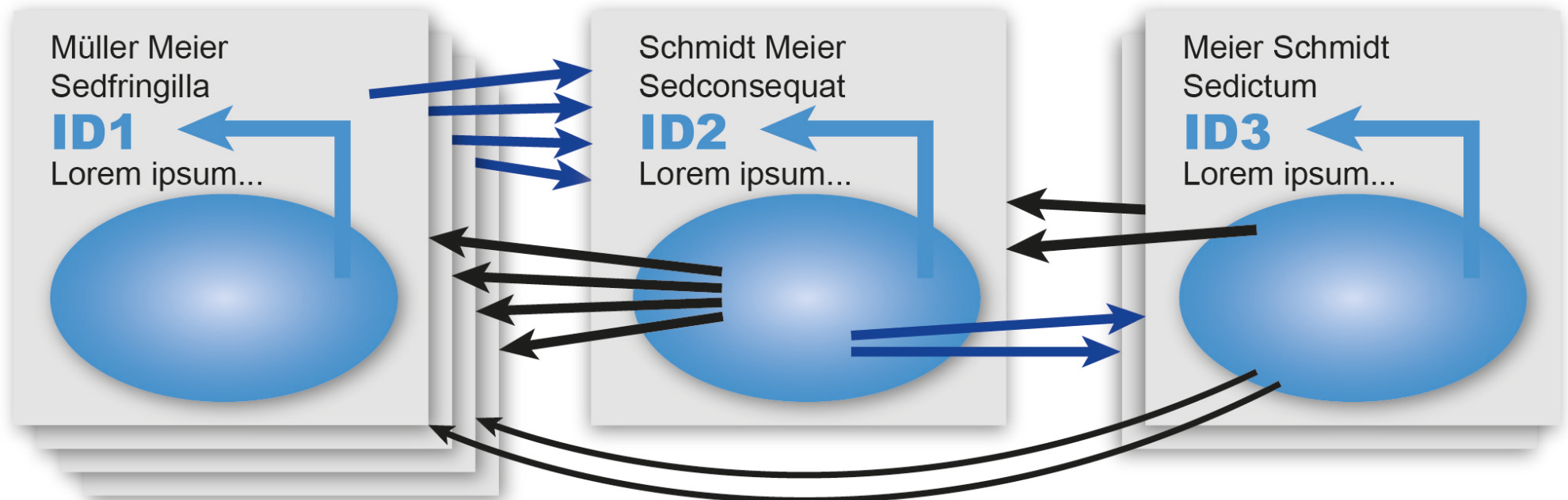
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2		All values in petagrams of carbon per year (PgC/yr), for the globe. For values in carbon dioxide (CO ₂), multi					
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18	1960	1,14		0,75	1,53	1,16	0,81
19	1961	1,20		0,30	1,71	-0,07	-0,55
20	1962	1,76		0,79	2,37	1,25	0,57
21	1963	1,72		-1,20	1,81	0,26	-0,37



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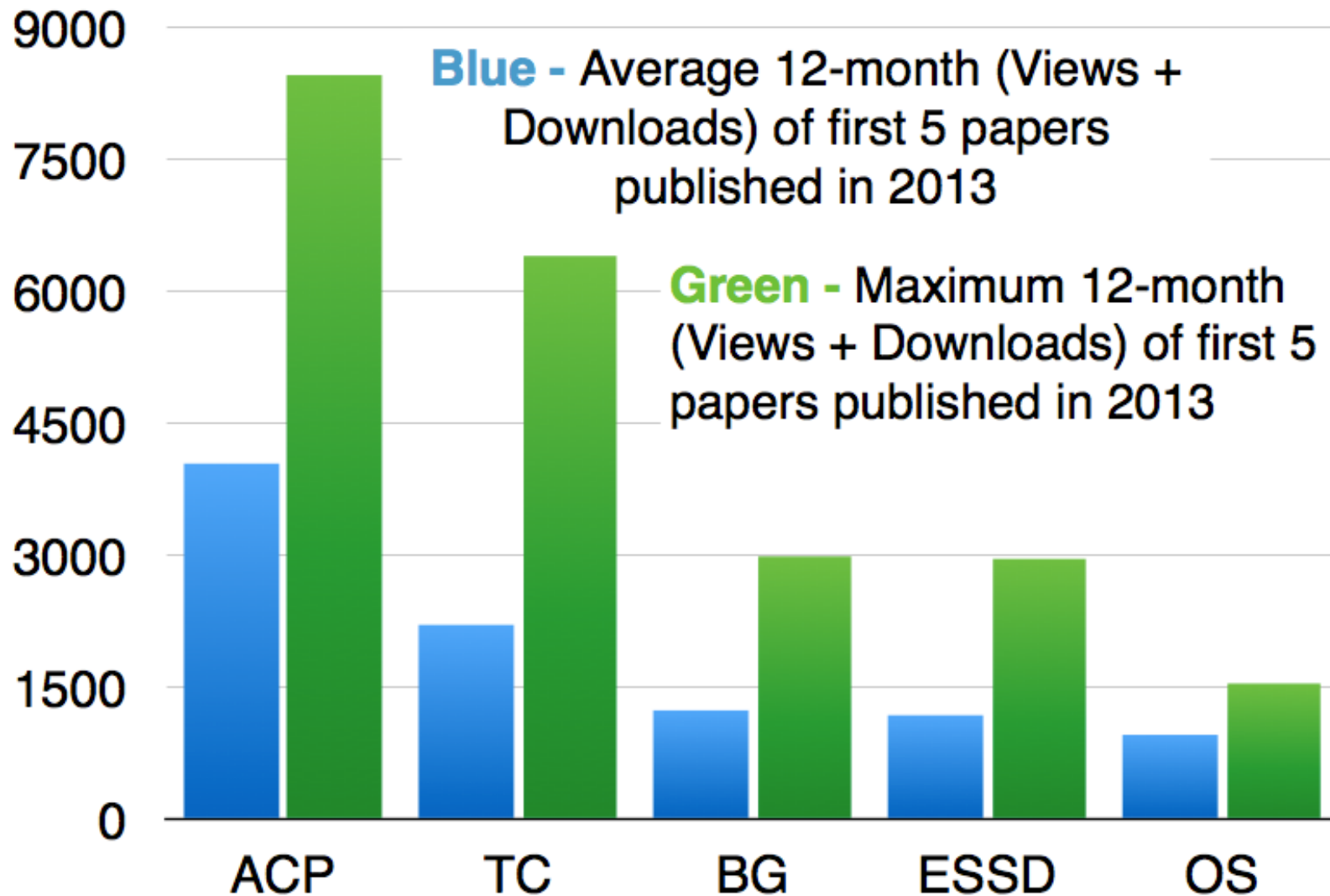
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(in repository)**

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data journal**

**Article in
„classical“ journal**



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Conclusions

- **Socio-cultural change is on the way (may need just a few more decades)**
 - **Need for change/quality is recognized (Lancet)**
 - **NSF “5 products” rule offers the way out of the metrics dungeon**
- **“Technical” challenges remain, e.g.**
 - **Repositories for computer code etc.**
 - **Quality assessment for “protocols” etc.**
 - **bidirectional Linking of Everthing Open (b-LEO)**
 - **And, I did not even mention versioning ...**