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Library

Data is deposited towards the end of the research lifecycle, when it is more or less complete and ready for publication and discovery by others. Repositories are not meant to serve as active storage for work in progress, though some (e.g. Dataverse) may be connected to active projects via the Open Science Framework or Dropbox. But how do you choose the right repository to store your data?

A repository should follow the **FAIR Principles**: Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable. Learn more at <http://bit.ly/2YJix6z>

There are 3 major types of repositories:

- **Generalist** (including institutional) e.g. Scholars Portal's Dataverse, FRDR
- **Domain-specific** (disciplinary) e.g. Pangaea, Dryad, ICPSR
- **Government**: city, provincial, federal. Not usually open for deposits by academic researchers. e.g. Open Data Canada, City of Calgary data

Use the decision tree below to learn about the major data repositories used by Canadian researchers.

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