

A research data management workflow for applied plasma science

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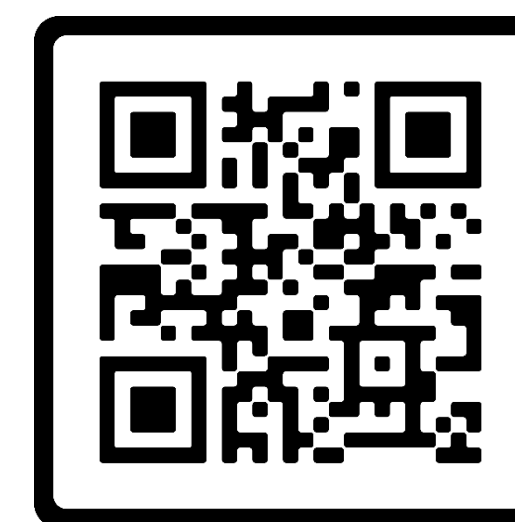
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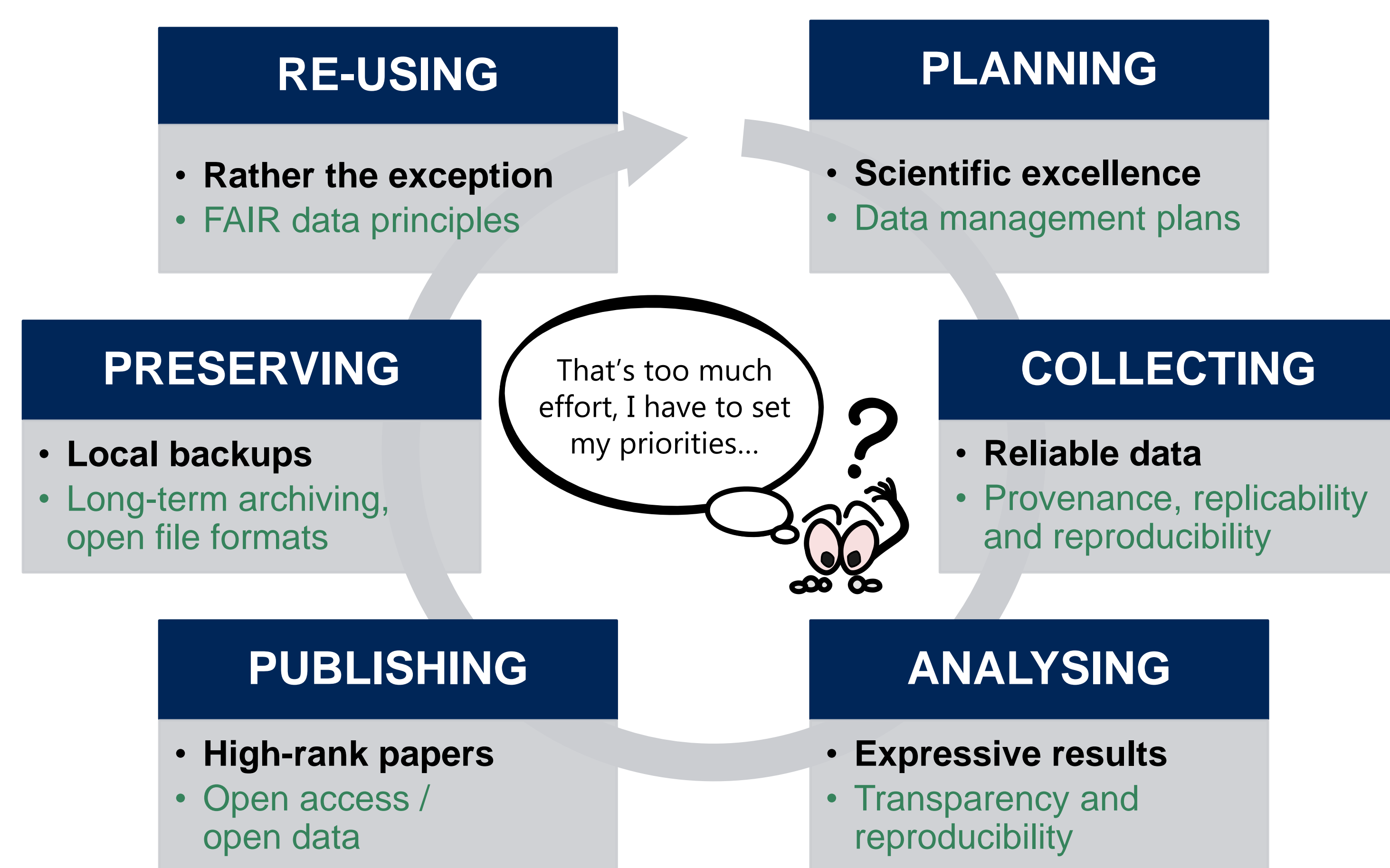
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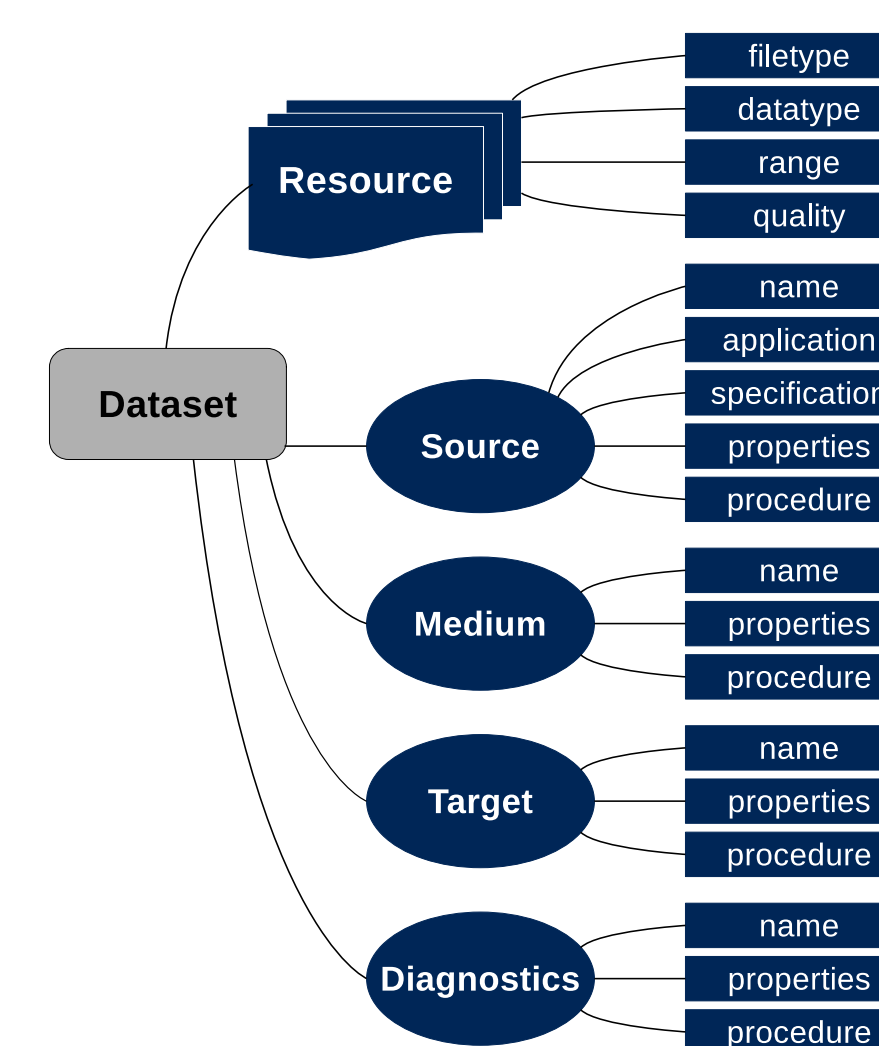
MOTIVATION

- Research data management (RDM) according to the FAIR data principles (Wilkinson 2016) poses new challenges to research processes and complements the primary goals of researchers in plasma science:



FIRST STEPS AND FUTURE REQUIREMENTS

- The plasma metadata schema, Plasma-MDS (Franke 2020) provides core elements for the uniform documentation of data in plasma science.
- Efforts are ongoing to build a common knowledge graph for plasma technology, which facilitates the implementation of the FAIR data principles.
- New workflows and implementations of data management tools are now required in the different labs to balance effort and benefit of RDM, see <https://nfidi4phys.de>.

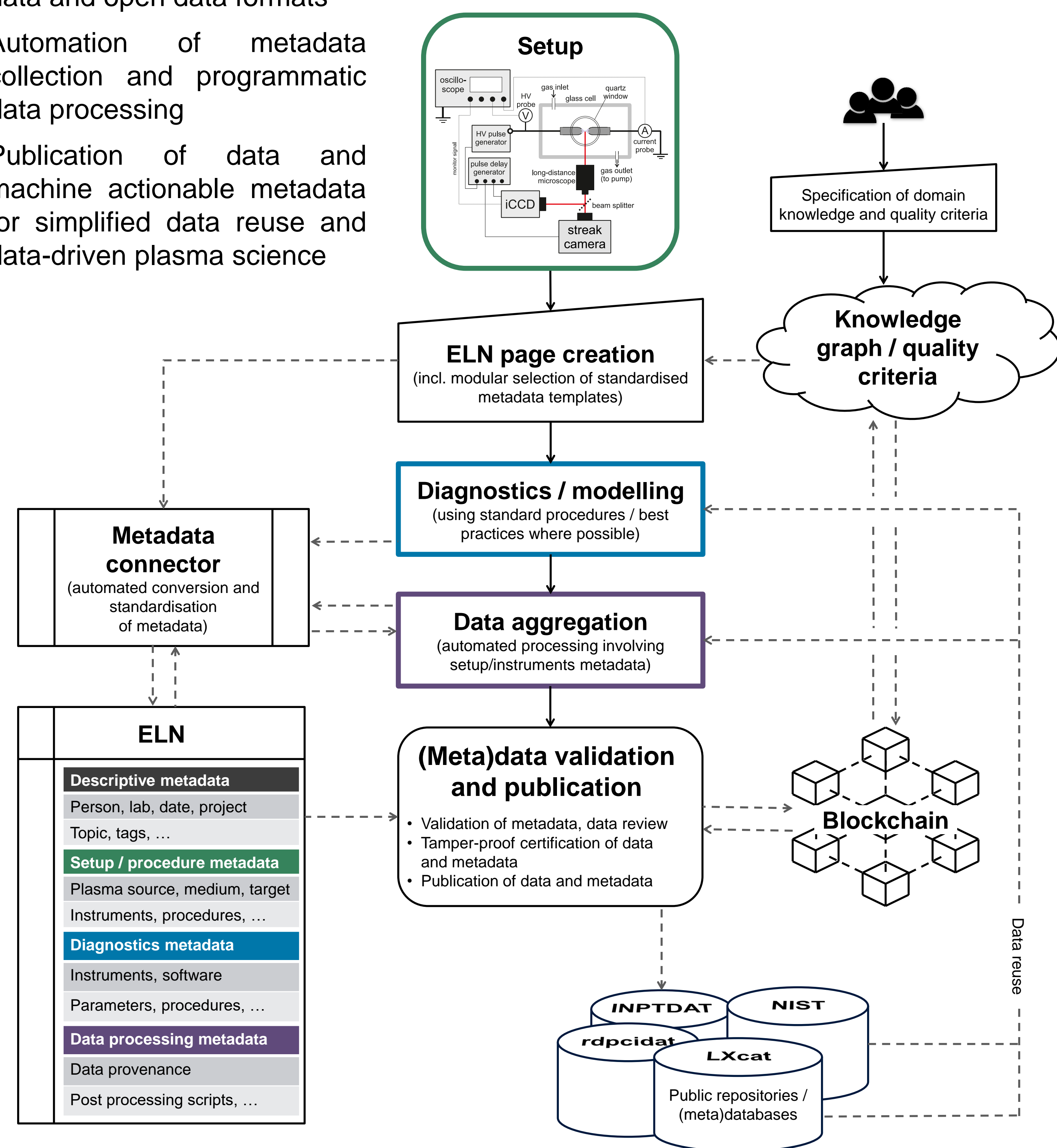


GLOSSARY OF RDM TOOLS

- The **FAIR data principles** are guidelines to improve the Findability, Accessibility, Interoperability, and Reuse of digital assets.
- Electronic lab notebooks (ELN)** are designed to replace paper lab notebooks and bring several advantages such as automated import/export of information.
- Blockchain** technology provides a basis for tamper-proof time-stamping and certification of research data, hypotheses and methods.
- Ontologies** serve to create a formal representation of entities in a knowledge graph.
- A **knowledge graph** is a semantic network of real-world entities, like research domains, authors, instruments, and datasets and defines the relationship between them.

RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT WORKFLOW

- Usage of standardised metadata and open data formats
- Automation of metadata collection and programmatic data processing
- Publication of data and machine actionable metadata for simplified data reuse and data-driven plasma science

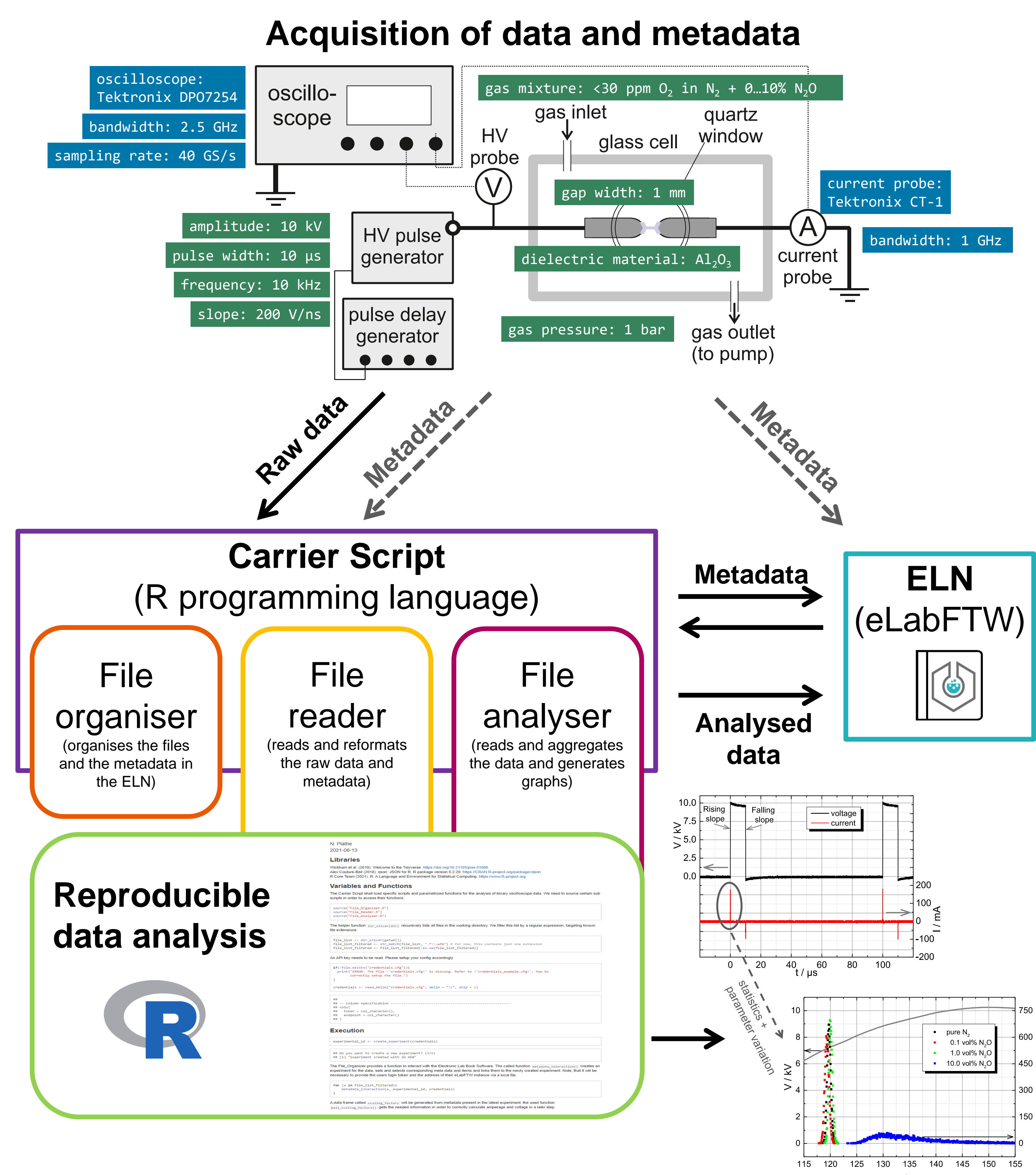


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WORKFLOW IMPLEMENTATION FOR DBD LAB

- Current measurements with large statistics are used to characterise pulsed dielectric barrier discharges (DBD) at atmospheric pressure.
- Here, the proposed workflow particularly supports the automated and reproducible aggregation of thousands of single-shot measurements.



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