

# Relaunching PhD on Track: Open science as a new track



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## What is PhD on Track?

PhD on Track is a web resource aimed primarily at PhD candidates and early career researchers. The ambition is to provide an accessible point of departure for beginning researchers related to searching and reviewing scholarly literature, academic writing, and sharing and publishing reports and data.

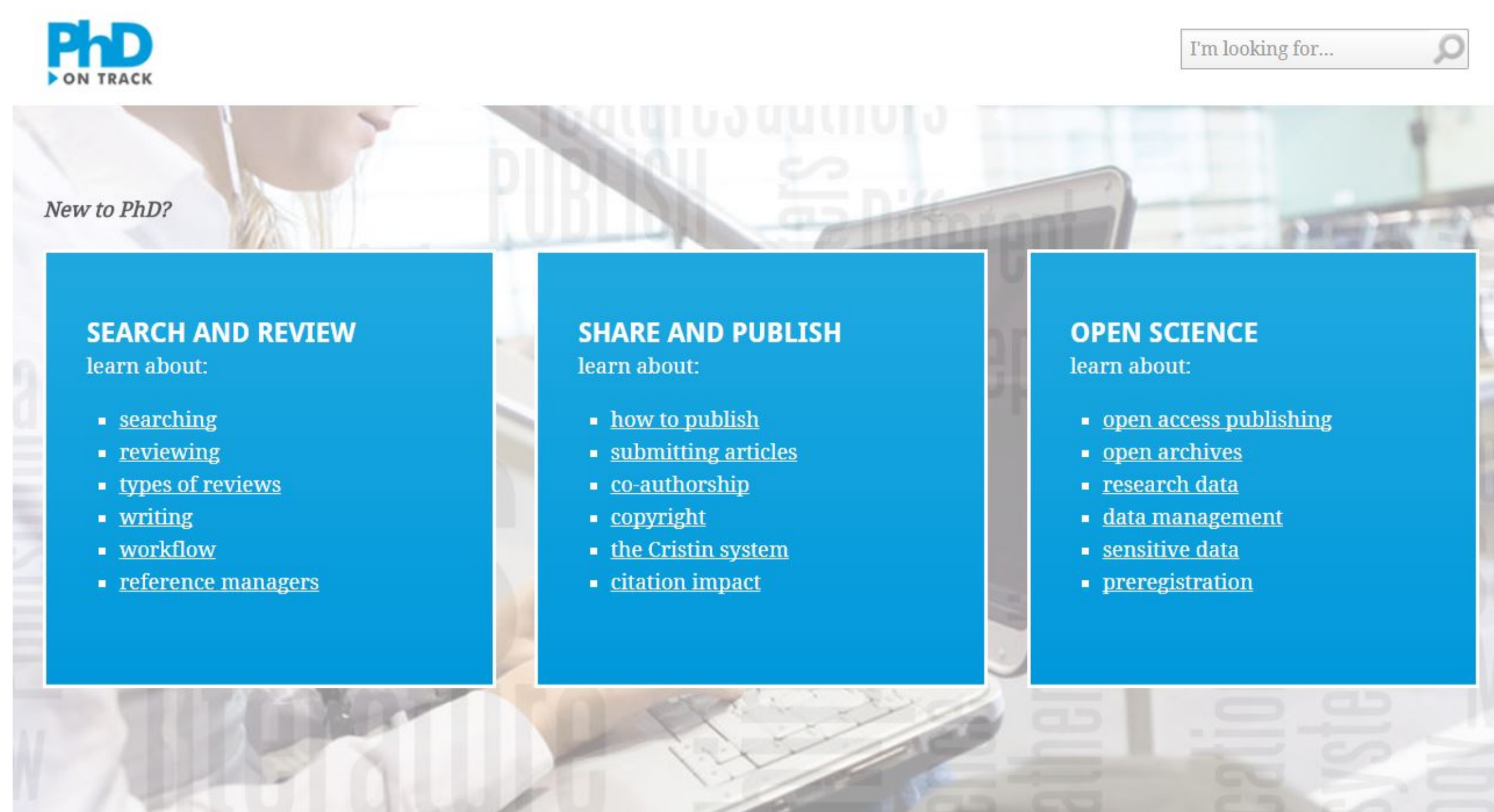


Figure 1: PhD on Track, <http://phdontrack.net>

## Data management stages

The different data handling stages of a research project are visualized in an interactive circular model:  
Search Data – Data Management Plan – Describe Data – Archive Data – Publication

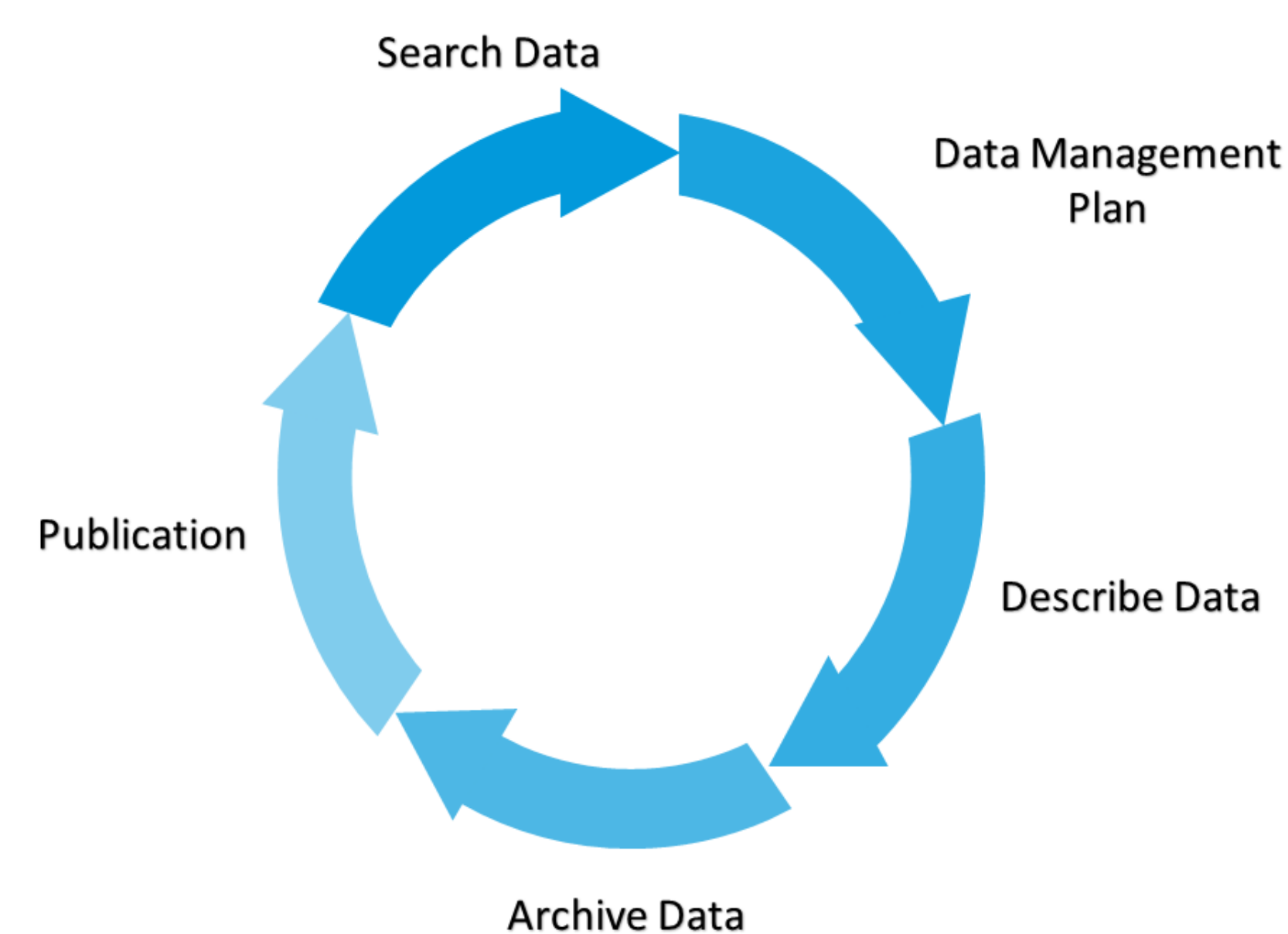


Figure 4: Figure showing stages of data management

## New content: Open science

PhD on Track provides an overview of the most essential information about open science in *one resource*.

Why an open science section? Revisions of the first (2013) version of PhD on Track were made in response to important developments regarding new national and international guidelines on open publishing and data management, and in open science in general.

## Learning outcomes

In the open science section you will learn about:

- Open access publishing and open research data
- How to archive your articles and other research findings in your institution
- Research data and research data management in general

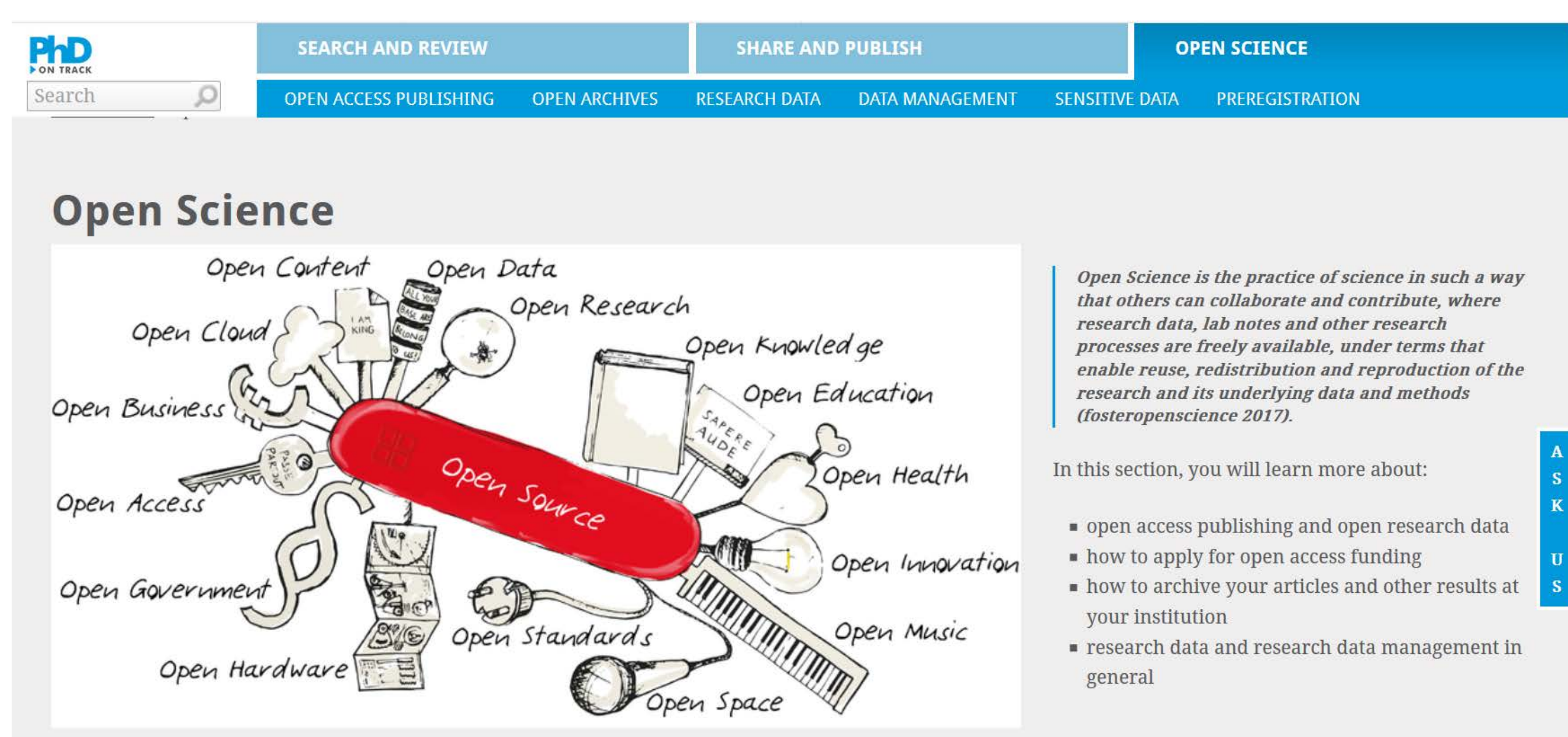


Figure 2: The open science section (the Swiss knife: Wikimedia Commons/CC BY-SA 3.0)

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Personal data and sensitive data
Example research cases involving sensitive data
Low-risk personal data
High-risk personal data
Gliding transitions
Further reading on research ethics
Useful resources for sensitive data

Figure 5: Learn about sensitive data, and more

## A new PhD on Track from November 2018

The open science section discusses some of the fundamental issues on open access publishing, open archives, research data and data management, including how to make data management plans and how to handle sensitive data. Pre-registration, research ethics, copyright issues, and research assessment are also discussed. PhD on Track is an open, freely available resource provided by the libraries of the University of Bergen, Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, NHH Norwegian School of Economics, the University of Oslo, the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) and UiT The Arctic University of Norway. PhD on Track was relaunched on 6 November 2018.

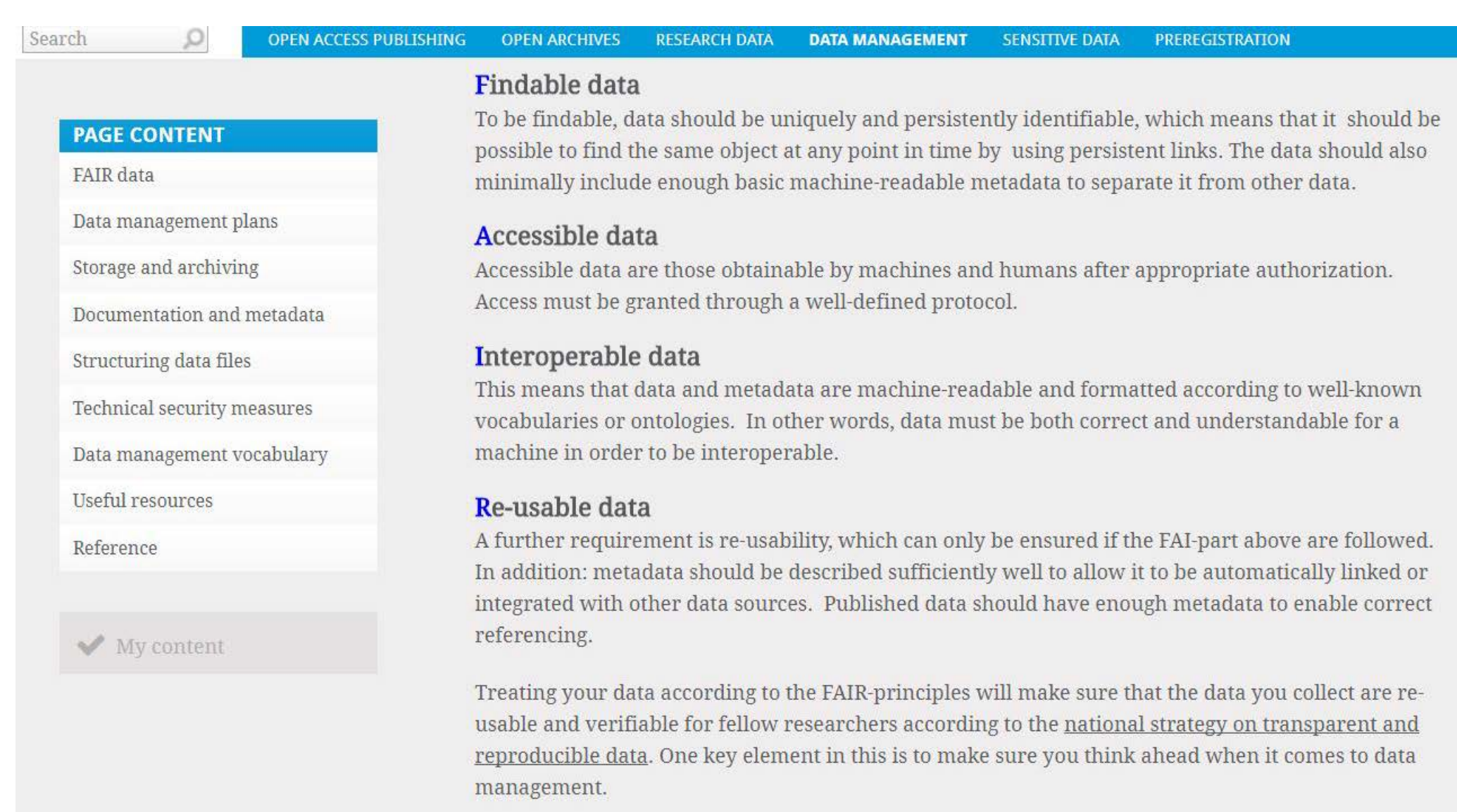


Figure 3: The data management section