

# How can I get a Data Management Plan (DMP) from GFBio that I can use in my research proposal? How much in advance do I need to contact GFBio?

## Short Answer

You can contact us via our [helpdesk](#).

## Detailed Answer

Data Management Plans (DMPs) are evolving into a mandatory part of the project application for many funding agencies (e.g. [DFG guidelines for handling research data](#); [DFG guidelines on the handling of research data in biodiversity research](#)). GFBio offers custom-tailored DMPs that meet the requirements of your research project. Be sure to contact us no later than four weeks before the application deadline via our [helpdesk](#), in order to better assessing your needs and preparing an appropriate DMP. For large scale projects, GFBio should be involved already at the early planning stage of the proposal preparation.

Start the [GFBio Data Management Planning Tool](#) and create your own data management plan to be integrated into your research proposal!

More information on DMP can be found [here](#).