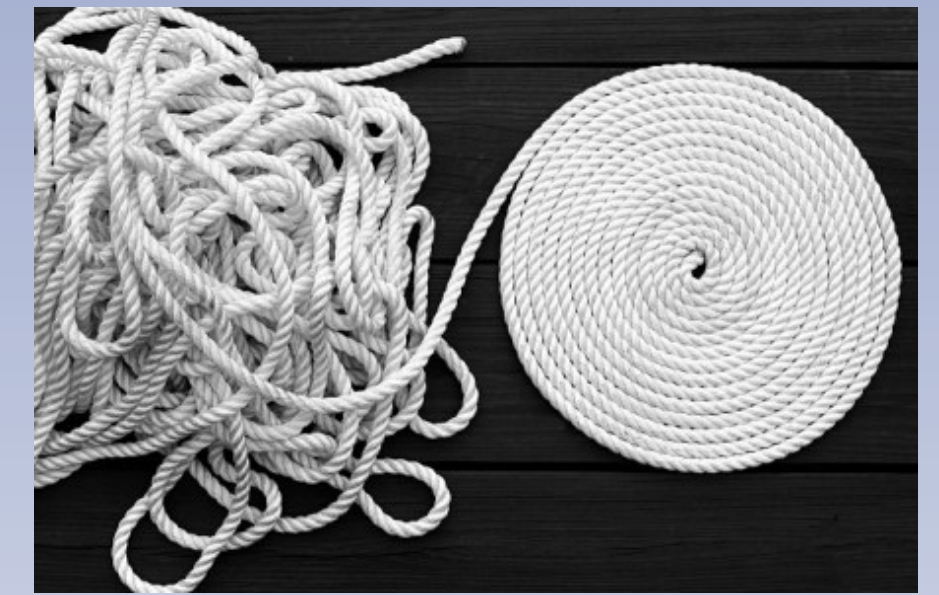


# Managing research data: a pilot study in Health and Life Sciences

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## Background

There is currently no centralised means of managing research data at UWE. This 18 month JISC funded project is the first step to addressing the need.

## Aims

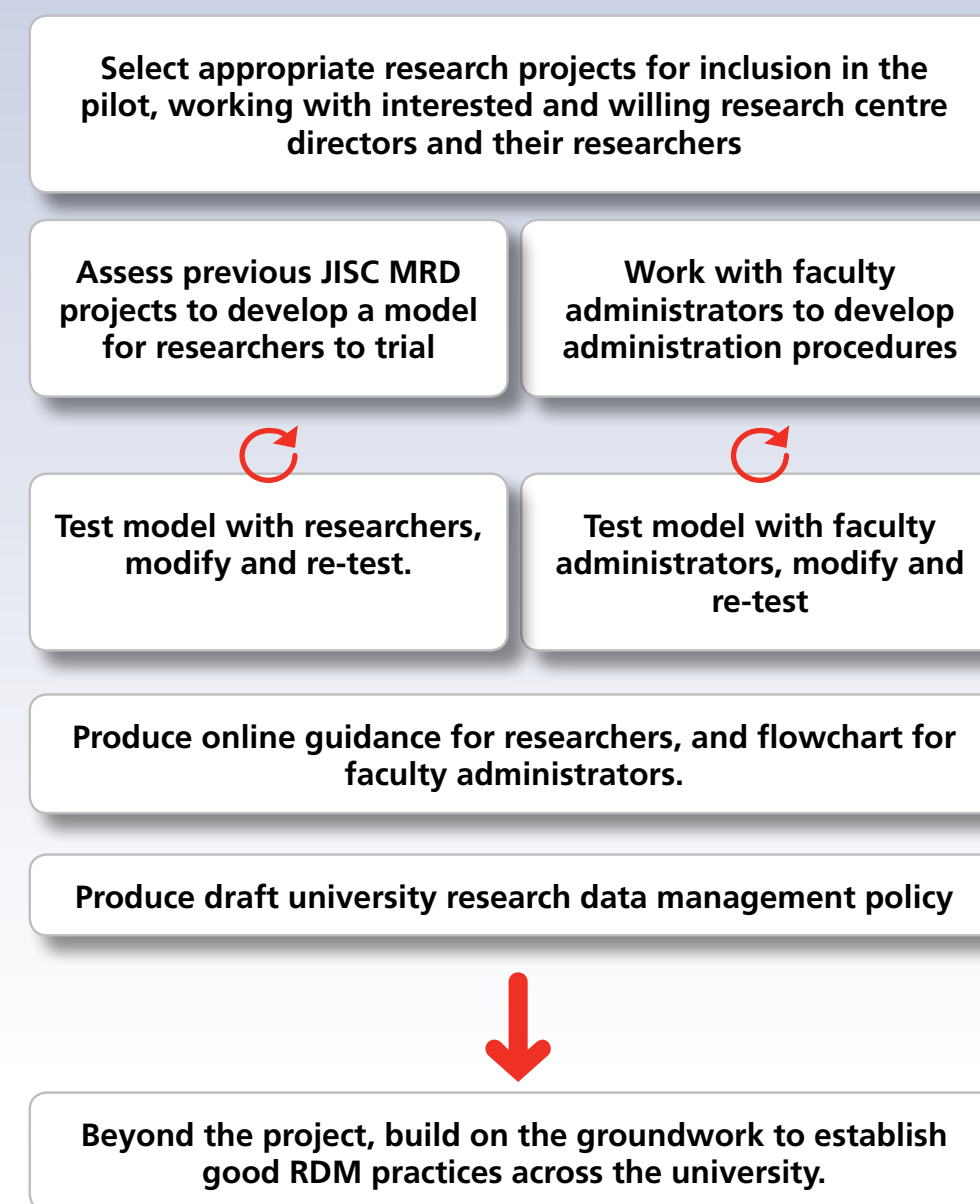
- To develop a data management system appropriate to a post 1992 institution, focusing on the data management needs of two research centres in Health and Life Sciences.
- To share experience and deliverables with the wider JISC and HE communities.

## Objectives

- To draw on the outcomes of previous JISC MRD projects to investigate current research data management and curation practices in selected projects of two research centres in Health and Life Sciences.
- To develop models which address the research data management needs of these projects.
- To develop suitable processes, infrastructure and guidance which are in keeping with the culture and administrative processes of the university, and which fulfill the needs of our researchers.
- To integrate the MRD system with the existing Research Repository, so that there are clear and obvious links between research outputs and their underlying data.
- To establish the groundwork for good research data management practice to become embedded in the research life cycle at UWE.



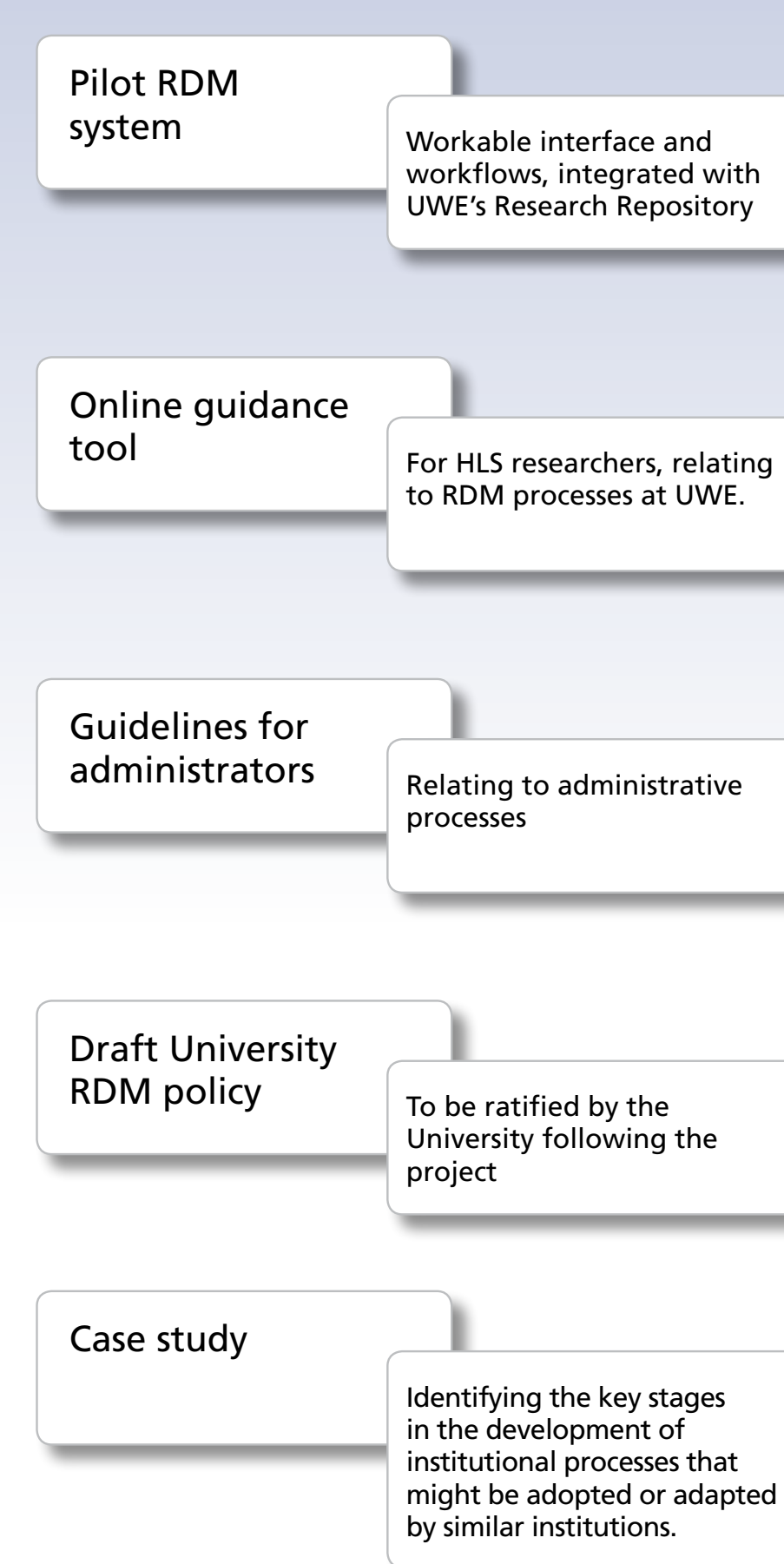
## Methodology



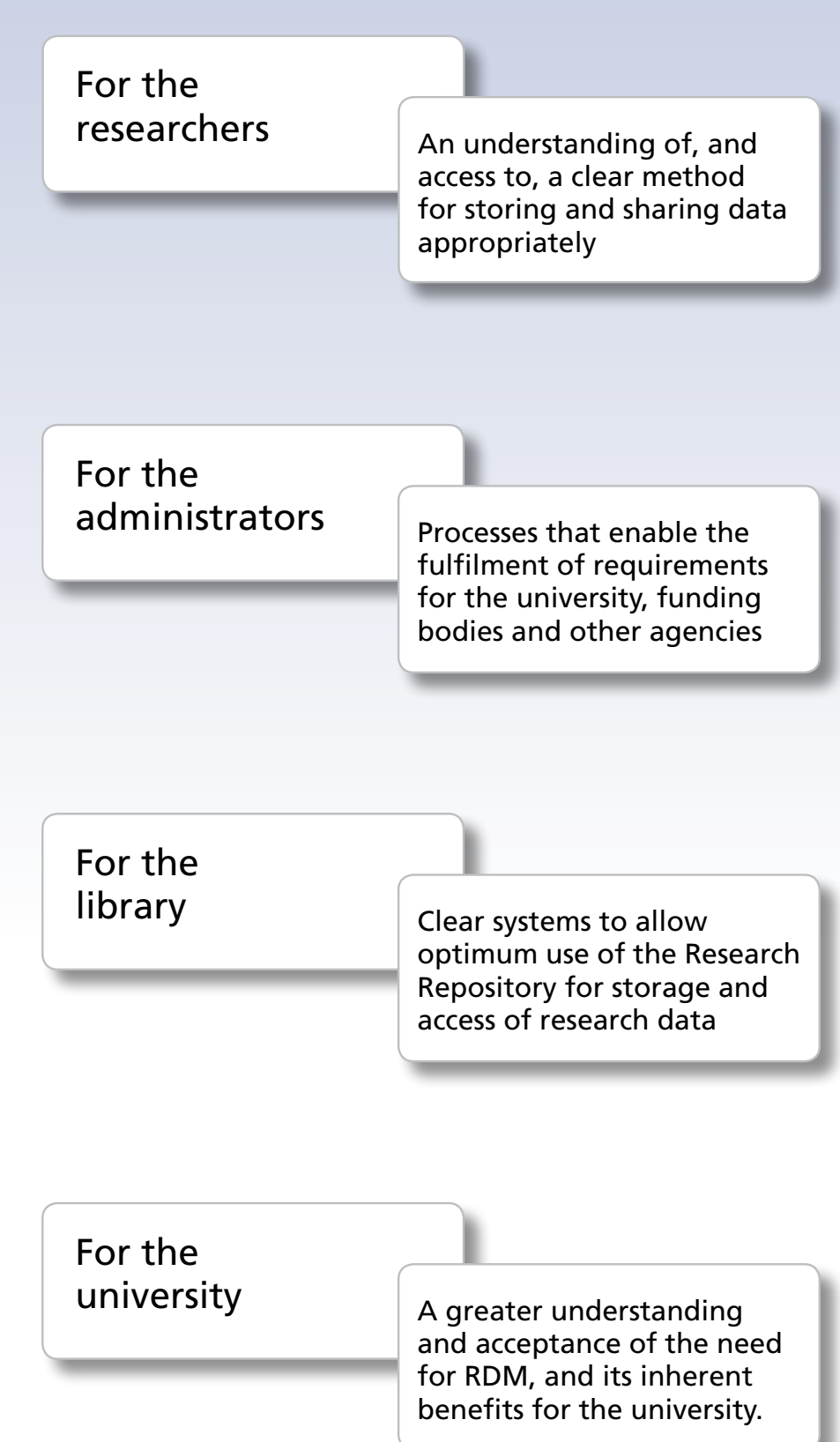
## Guiding principles

- There is a top-down and bottom-up approach
- A variety of data management issues will be included in the study (eg formats, ethical/confidential, commercially sensitive, NHS collaboration)
- The pilot will be developed with the researcher in mind
- There will be use of qualitative methods (interviews, observations) in the development of the pilot service
- Processes must fit with the administrative requirements and systems of the university

## Key deliverables



## What will success look like?



## For further information

[www1.uwe.ac.uk/library/sc/mrd-project.aspx](http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/library/sc/mrd-project.aspx)



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