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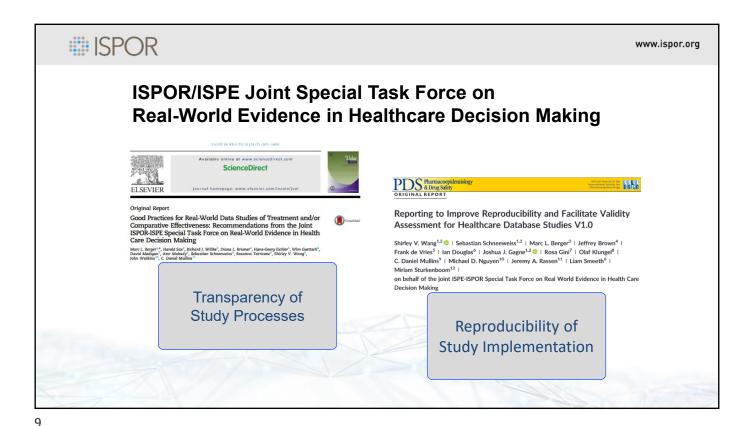
Agenda

- Introduction Lucinda
 - Reminder of what the RWE Transparency Initiative and the focus
 - Update on what we have done in the last 24 months
 - Recommendations for moving forward:
 - · Study Registration Site and
 - Joint Task Force
- Introduce the Joint Task Force Rationale and Related Efforts Shirley
- RWE Study Registration Site and the Centers for Open Science David
 - Overview of the RWE Registration Site 1.0
 - How this efforts fits with the broader push for Transparency in Science

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Transparency versus Quality

- End goal = decisions based on high quality evidence
- Registration process increases transparency of study process/methods
 Study quality



- Encouraging a culture of transparency can lead to...
 - higher quality evidence generated and used for decision making
 - confidence in this type of research

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Focus is on Secondary Data Use Studies

Challenges include:

- Underlying data quality
- Perceptions of Data dredging/p-hacking/cherry picking
- Lack of transparency of
 - research questions/objectives, data set choice, and a priori analysis plans
- Lack of results reporting
 - Decreases visibility into the universe of studies conducted and associated results
 - RWE studies NOT published at same rate as clinical trial evidence,
 - Creates a particular 'blind-spot' for assessing comparative effectiveness



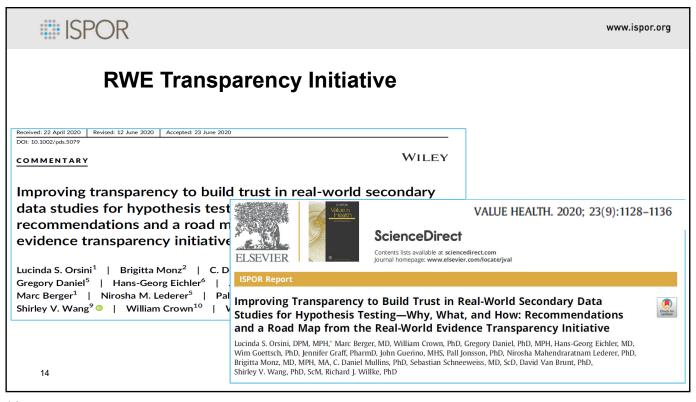
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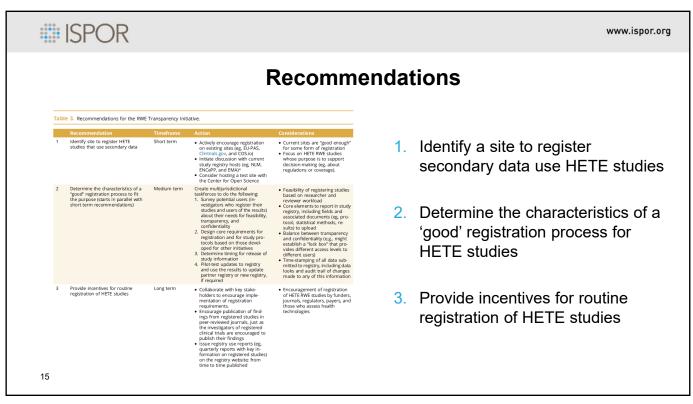
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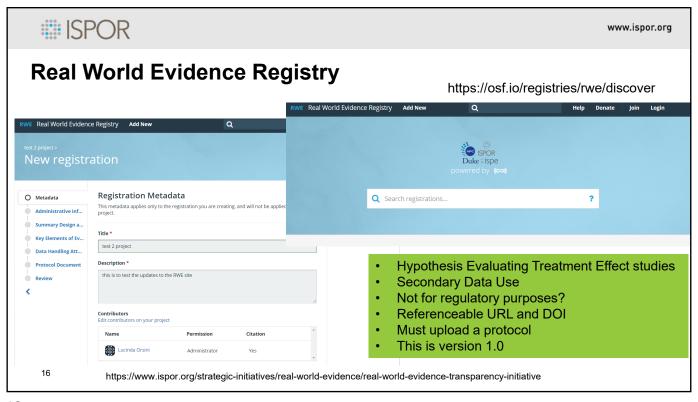
- Hypothesis Evaluating Treatment Effect (HETE) studies
 - Intended for regulatory, payer, other decision-making, or peerreviewed publication
 - Evaluates the presence or absence of a pre-specified treatment effect and/or its magnitude
 - Tests a specific hypothesis in a specific data set
 - In conjunction with other evidence, may lead to treatment recommendations

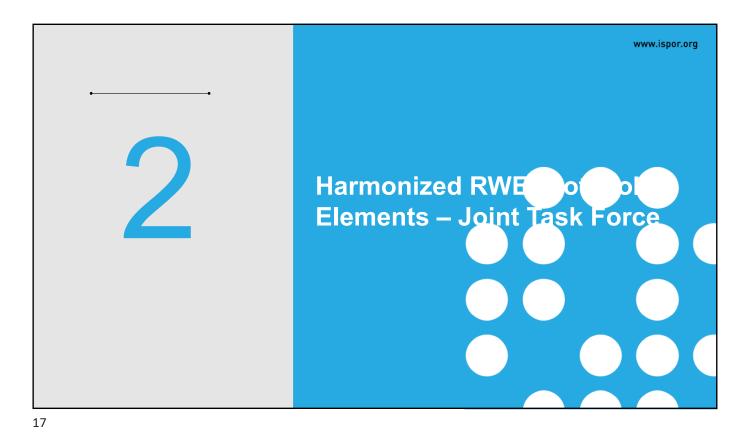
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Joint Task Force

Toward Rigorous Transparency - Harmonization of Protocol Templates for Design and Registration of Observational Hypothesis Evaluating Treatment Effectiveness (HETE) Studies

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Aims

- Portfolio of activities on transparency and reproducibility
- Momentum

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transparency in process for database studies (e.g. "what did you plan to do?")

ORIGINAL REPORT

Good practices for real-world data studies of treatment and/or comparative effectiveness: Recommendations from the joint ISPOR-ISPE Special Task Force on real-world evidence in health care decision making

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clarity of study execution (e.g. "what did you actually do?)

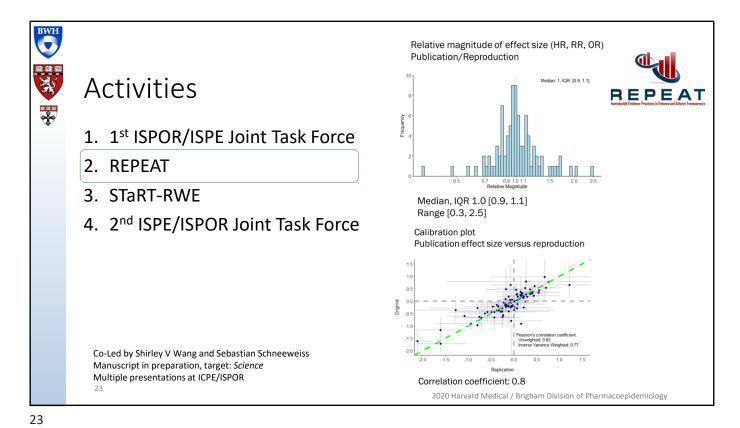
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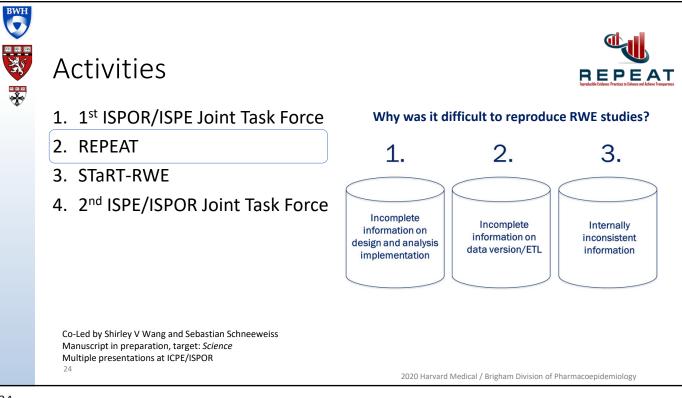
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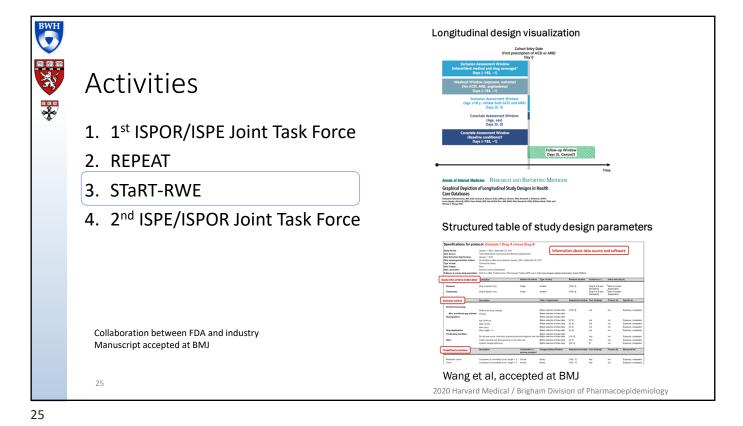
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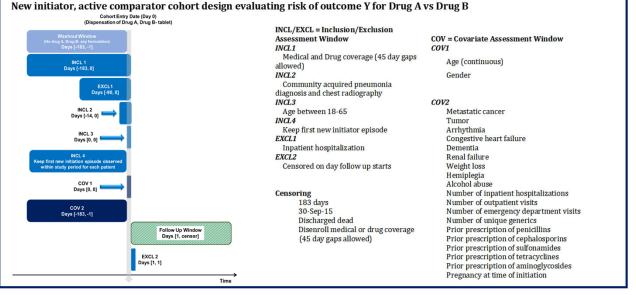
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Figure 1. Design Diagram







Power point templates, R Shiny App (Developer: Lars Christian Lund)

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Table 3. Summary of Study Population Parameters

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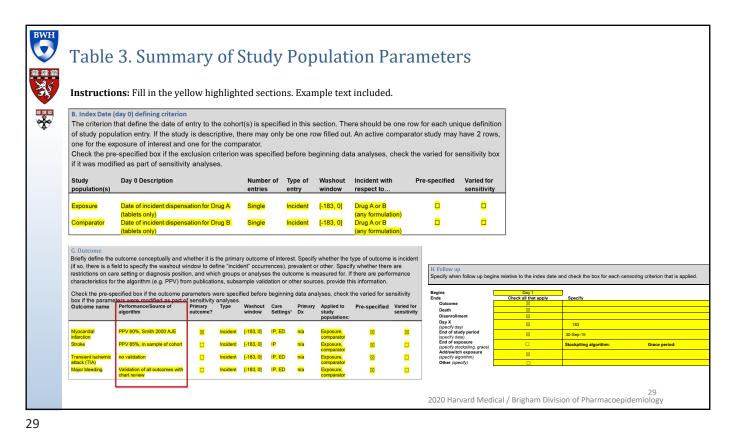
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Appendices



Machine readable code algorithms in .csv or other form



- A. Study population entry date defining criterion
- B. Inclusion criteria
- C. Exclusion criteria
- D. Covariates
- E. Outcome
- F. Decisions made when converting to a Common Data Model
- G. ...

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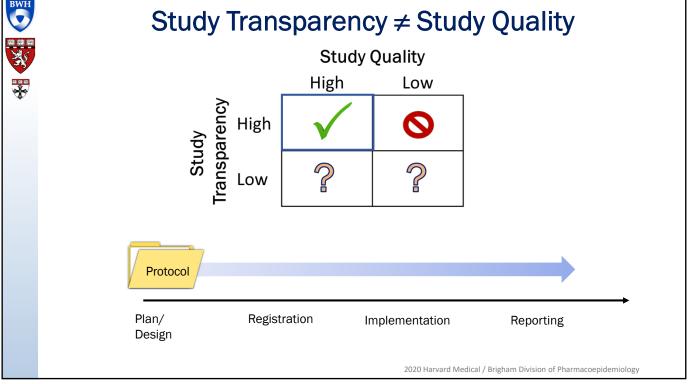




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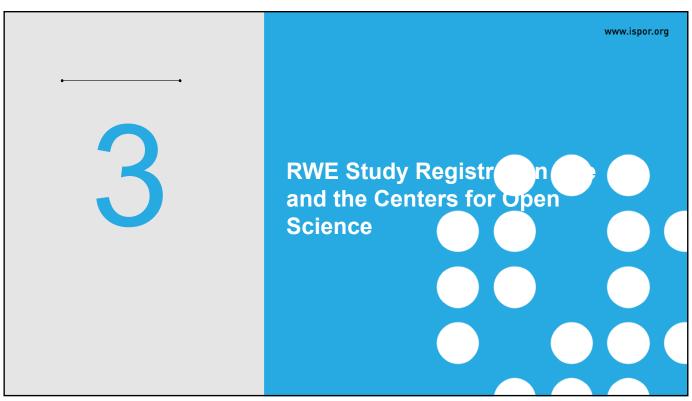


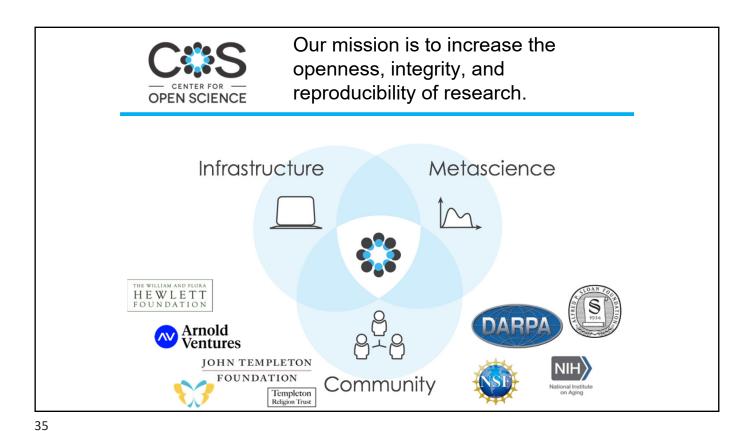


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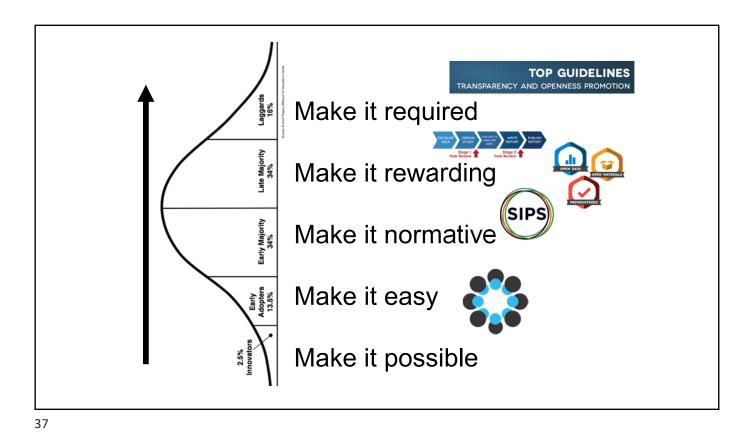
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Make it easy

Infrastructure

Make it possible



Disambiguation



Clinical research, economics, psychology, and social sciences use different terminology:

- Preregistration
- Registration
- Prospective trial registration
- Pre-analysis plans

Confirmatory versus exploratory analysis

Context of confirmation

Traditional hypothesis testing

Results held to the highest standards of rigor

Goal is to minimize false positives

P-values interpretable

Context of discovery

Pushes knowledge into new areas

Generates: testable hypotheses, models, or theories

Goal is to minimize false negatives

P-values meaningless

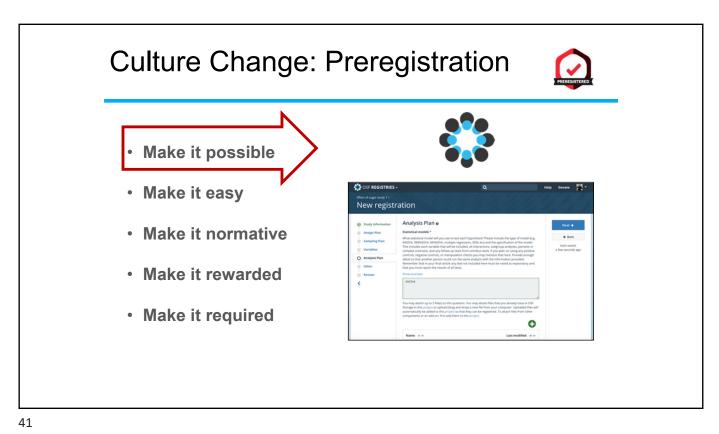
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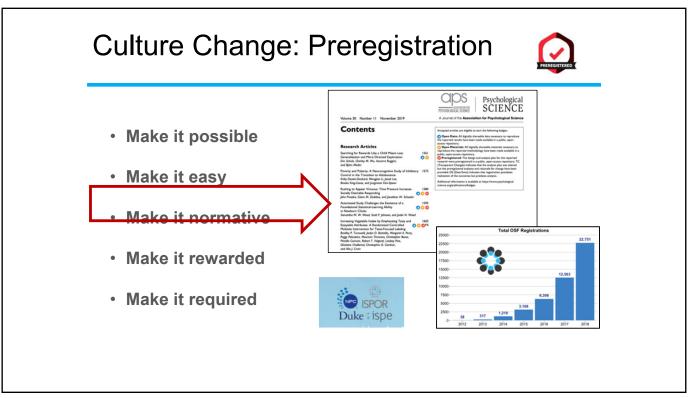
Culture Change: Preregistration



- Make it possible
- Make it easy
- Make it normative
- · Make it rewarded
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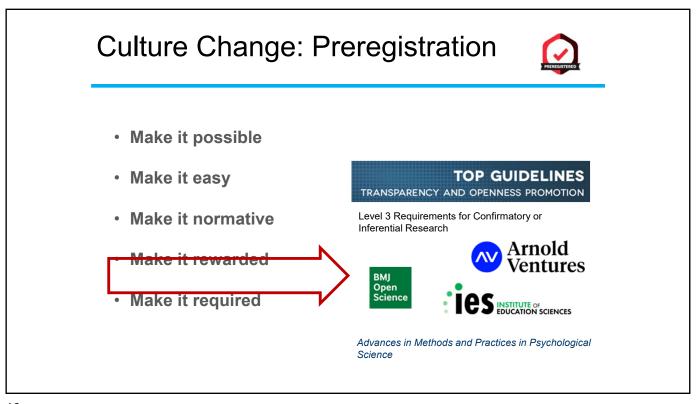
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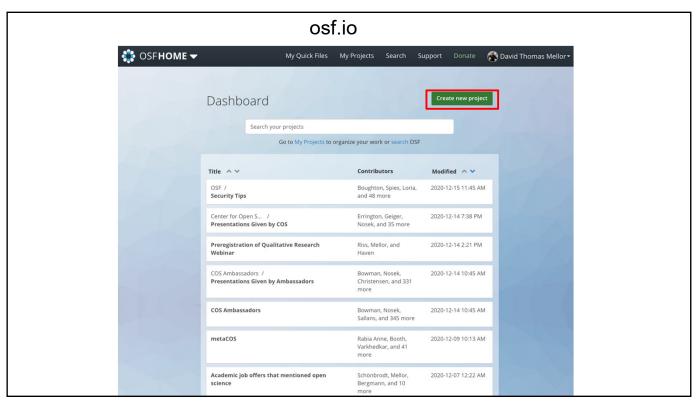
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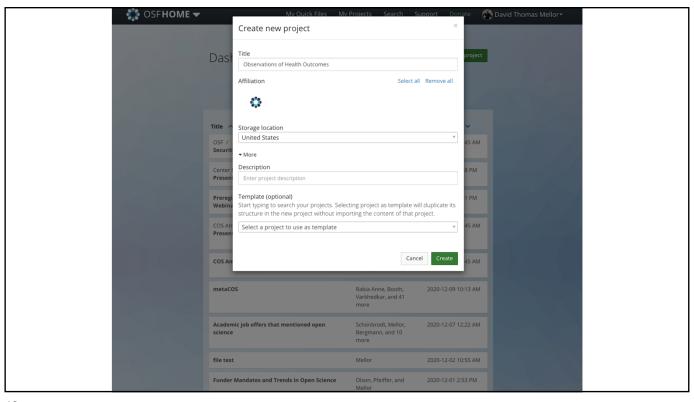
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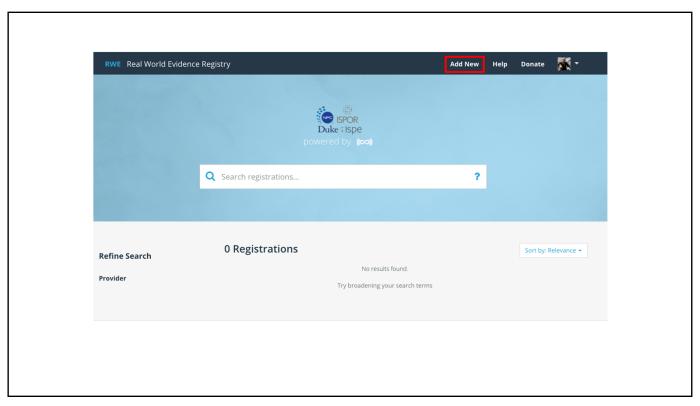
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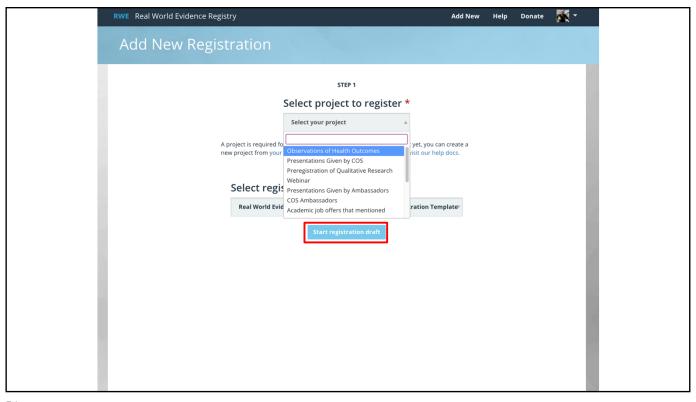


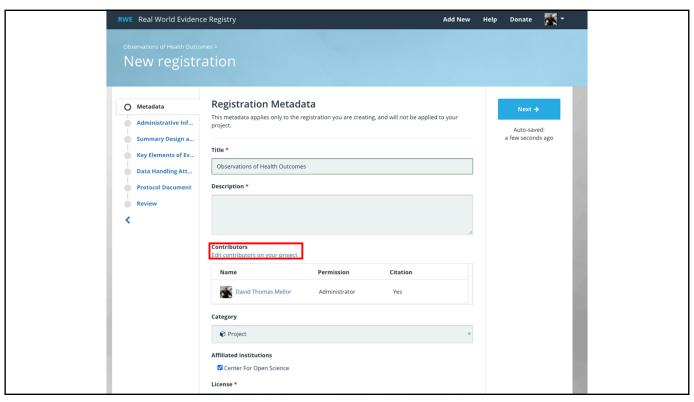


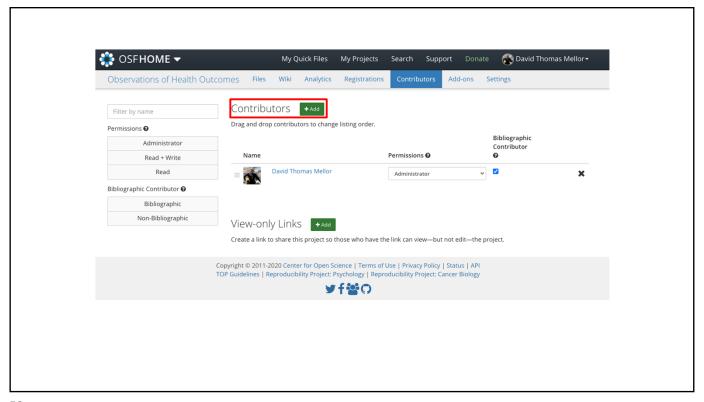


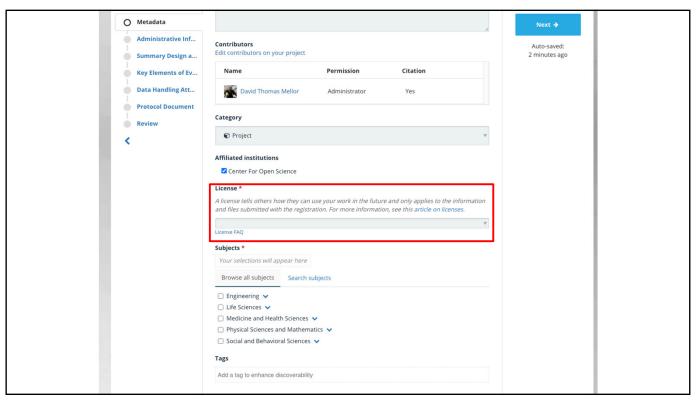


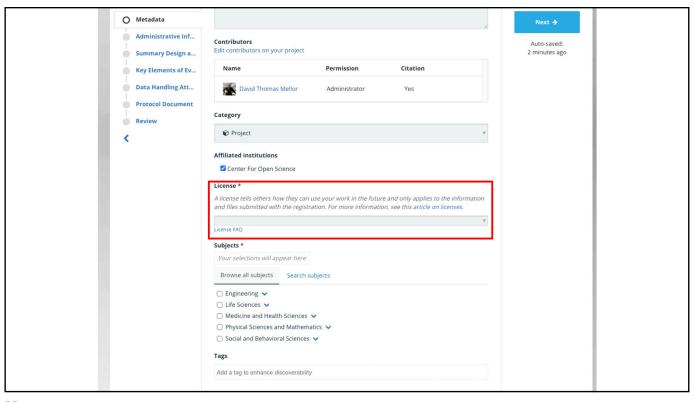


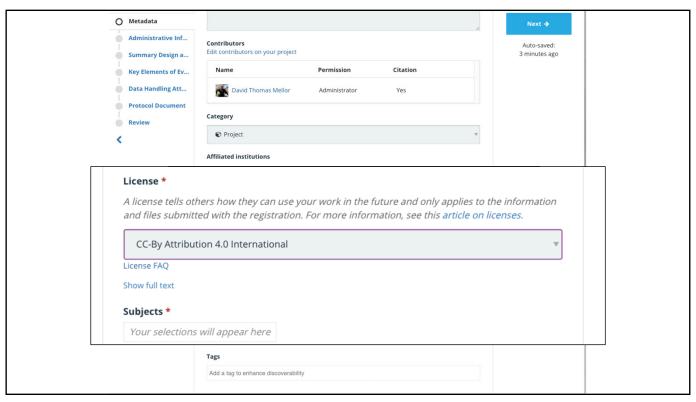


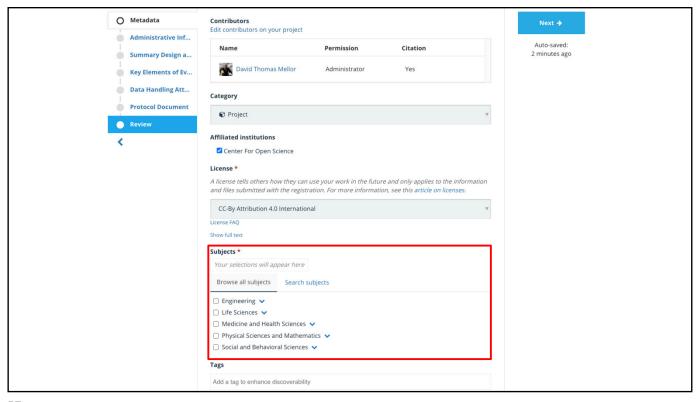


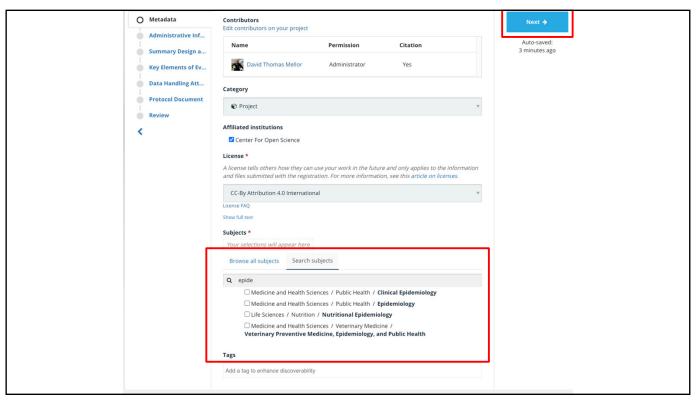


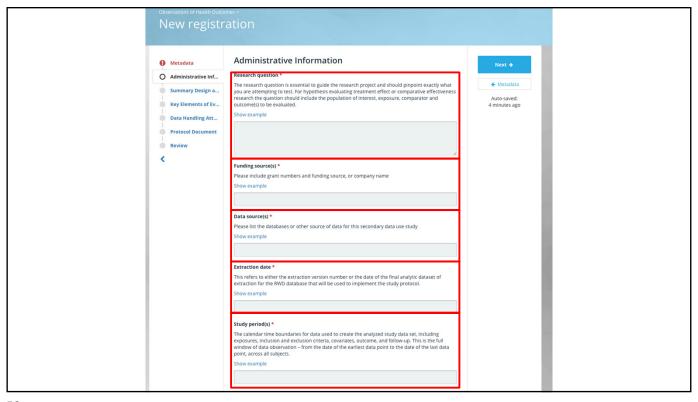


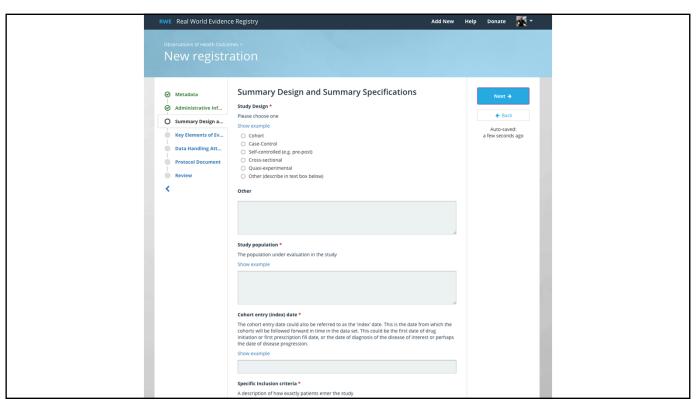


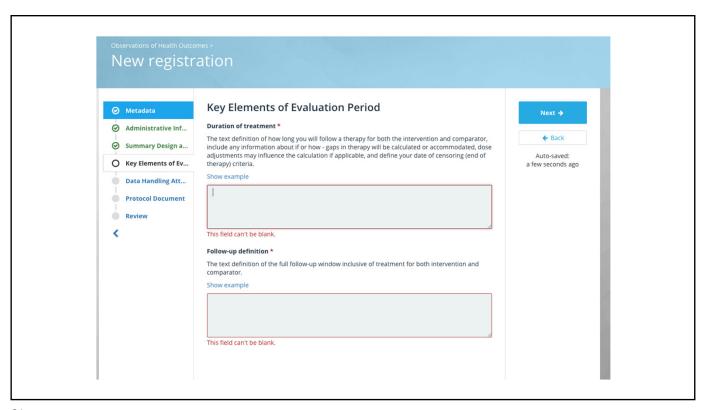


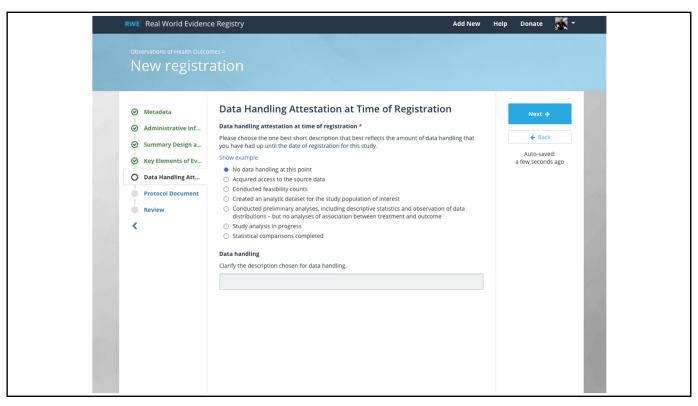


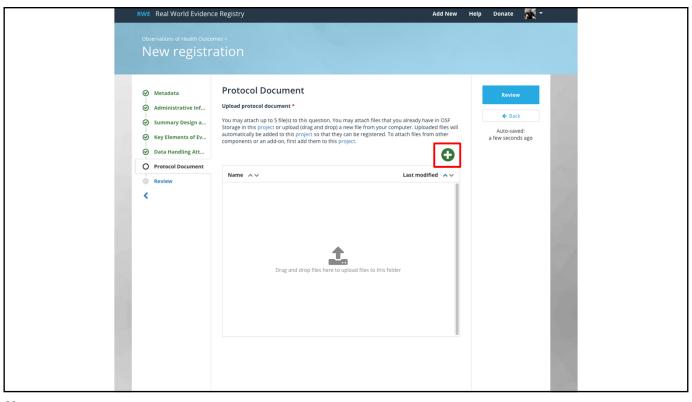


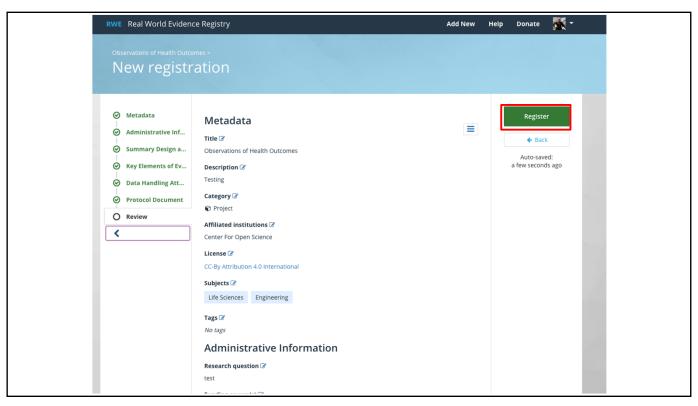


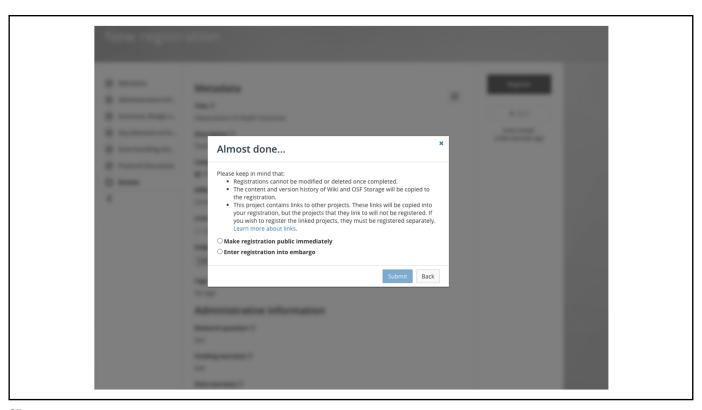


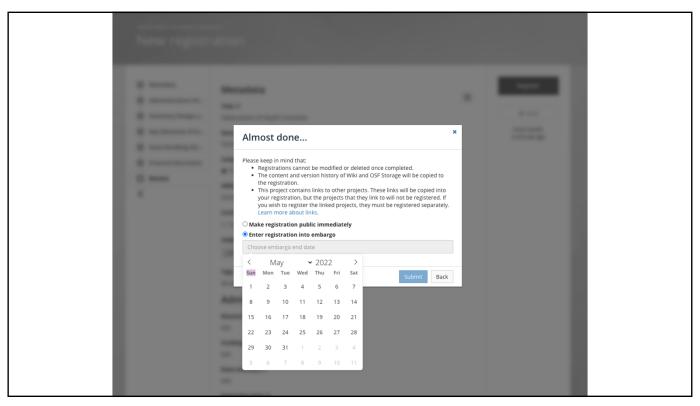


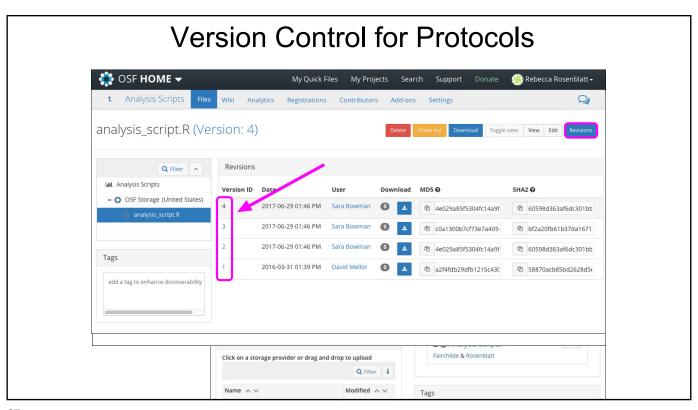


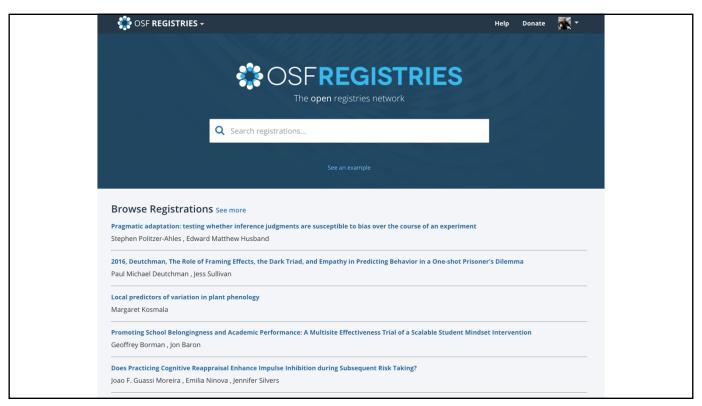


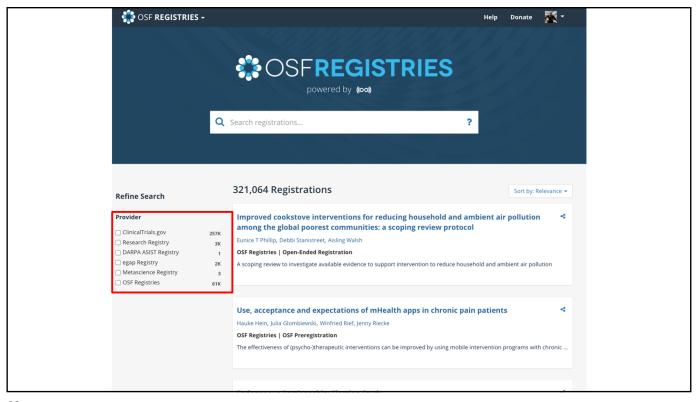


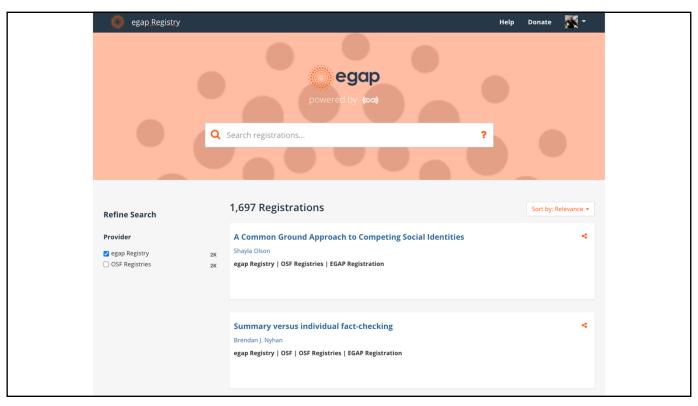












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