

A tool for automatically removing privacy from human subjects data should be developed

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Jeremy Berg wrote an article entitled obfuscating with transparency (1). Human subjects data has been specially treated as exceptions against the transparency rules. Committees in many universities have been formed for protection of human subjects. Scientists have not been well trained for anonymity, confidentiality, and privacy. Instead of training scientists/forming committees for protection of human subjects, a tool for automatically removing privacy from human subjects data should be developed. Any data including human subjects can be used as open data for research after removing privacy.

References:

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