

Supporting authors – the library's role in research impact

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University of Nottingham research landscape and enterprise

- Five global research themes
- Research portfolio worth over £300m
- Over 2,300 research projects
- Nottingham also has more than 200 industrial sponsors of research
- Postgraduate Research Students: 4,413 (Dec 14)



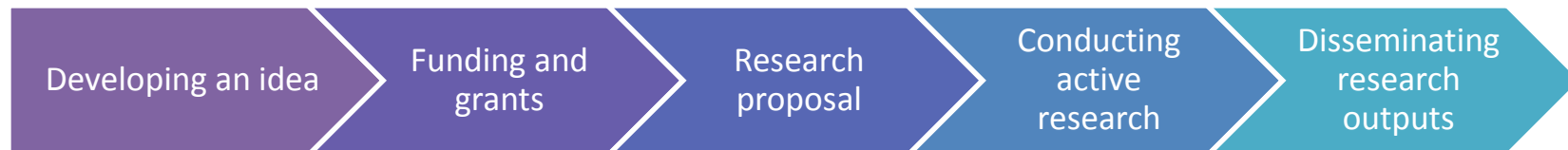
Our aims

- **Strategically important** to support researchers with their OA and RDM requirements
- Entice researchers back into the ‘library space’ – virtual and physical
- Improved advocacy between library and our research community
- Understanding of the research environment and where the library fits into it



Library touch points – opportunities

Research Lifecycle



Outcomes

- Building research support capacity and capability (institutionally)
- Enhancing the 'impact' agenda
- Co-delivery of research support training from key stakeholders
- Ensuring compliance with funders, institutional, and research assessment (Post-2014 REF) requirements and mandates



The challenges

- What do our researchers want?
- What can we offer?
- One size fits all or differentiated offers?
- Resourcing
- Mapping activities to University and external frameworks
- Compliance with funder OA roadmaps





- Thank you for listening
- Any questions?