Managing scientific data is one of the core responsibilities of any research team, but what are best practices when it comes to obtaining, storing, sharing, and protection bio-specimens and data? What happens when scientific interests meet patient concerns? Using examples from one effort to establish a statewide biobank in California, we will consider some practical, sustainable, and ethical ways to approach data management.

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