NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) PUBLIC ACCESS POLICY

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WHAT YOU REALLY NEED TO KNOW

The NIH Public Access Policy implements Division G, Title II, Section 218 of PL 110-161 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008), which states:

“The Director of the National Institutes of Health shall require that all investigators funded by the NIH submit or have submitted for them to the National Library of Medicine’s PubMed Central an electronic version of their final, peer-reviewed manuscripts upon acceptance for publication, to be made publicly available no later than 12 months after the official date of publication: Provided, That the NIH shall implement the public access policy in a manner consistent with copyright law.”
WHAT IS PUBMED CENTRAL (PMC)

- A digital repository of free, full-text journal articles from the biomedical and life sciences.
- It is maintained by the National Library of Medicine.
- It is separate from PubMed, which is a citation database that links to PMC and other content providers.
- A list of the journals that deposit in PMC can be found at:
  http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/freader.fcgi?tabindex=1

THE POLICY APPLIES TO ANY MANUSCRIPT THAT:

- Is peer-reviewed.
- And, is accepted for publication after April 7, 2008.
- All those funded by the NIH Intramural Program.
- And, arises from:
  * Any direct funding from an NIH grant or cooperative agreement active in Fiscal Year 2008, or;
  * Any direct funding from an NIH contract signed on or after April 7, 2008, or;
  * Any direct funding from the NIH Intramural Program, or;
  * An NIH employee.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) and their Institutions are responsible for compliance, even if the PI is not an author or co-author of the paper.
- The policy applies to journal articles only.
HOW TO COMPLY:

1. Retain copyright.
   - Investigators own copyright until they sign it away.
   - They should retain, at least, the right to have a copy of the peer-reviewed manuscript deposited in PubMed Central (PMC).
   - There are tools to assist in retaining the copyright allowing for deposit to comply with the NIH Public Access Policy.

2. Investigators should submit the final peer-reviewed manuscript to PMC.
   - Publishers can do this.
   - Investigators can do it themselves.
   - The University of Michigan Mlibrary can help with submission.

3. Cite the PubMed Central Identification (PMCID) in all communications with NIH.

Journals that submit all NIH-funded final published articles to PubMed Central
http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm

- These journals make the final published version of every NIH-funded paper publicly available in PubMed Central, some no later than 12 months after publication.
- These journals are in accord with the NIH Public Access Policy.
1. TO COMPLY:

- Investigators should ensure they retain the right to deposit the peer-reviewed manuscript in PubMed Central when signing publication agreements.
- NIH suggests that authors and institutions add an addendum to copyright agreements with publishers in order to comply with the public access policy.

2. SUBMITTING THE FINAL PEER-REVIEWED MANUSCRIPT

- Some journals or publishers will deposit on the investigators behalf.
  - If they do, the investigators need to do nothing.
- Investigators can deposit themselves:
  - Use the NIH Manuscript Submission system (NIHMS)
  - OR they can participate in the MLibrary pilot, which will deposit for them.
OPTIONS FOR DEPOSITING

- eRA Commons (for NIH Extramural P.I.s, grantees or applicants)
- NIH Login (for Intramural NIH scientists and staff)
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI)
- WT Login (for Wellcome Trust grantees)
- My NCBI (for third-party submitters)
- Publishers that have registered for an NIHMS Publisher Login account
  
  *List of journals that comply by depositing:
  
  [http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm](http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm)

- Mlibrary Pilot

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- Send an email to nihms-library-support@umich.edu
- Include:
  1. Corresponding Principal Investigator’s name and grant number.
  2. Name of the journal and, if known but not necessary, any embargo period the publisher requires.
  3. The manuscript and any supplemental data or images associated with it.
3. CITE THE PMCID

- As of May 25, 2008, investigators must include the PMCID in all NIH applications, proposals, and progress reports that fall under the Policy and arose from an NIH award.
- All citations in NIH biosketches should, when available, include the PMCID.

HOW TO CITE THE PMCID

- In PMC participating journals before PMCID is assigned:

- In non-PMC journals before PMCID is assigned:

- Above article after PMCID is assigned:
ABSTRACTPLUS VIEW DISPLAYS THE PMCID

A mouse plasma peptide atlas as a resource for disease proteomics.

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ABSTRACT: We present an in-depth analysis of mouse plasma leading to the development of a publicly available repository composed of 586 liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry runs. A total of 42,571 peptides were identified with data from 804 different proteins. These peptides are estimated to span a 7 log base 2 range of abundance in plasma. A major finding from this study is the identification of novel isoforms and transcript variants not previously predicted from genome analysis.

PMID: 18592771 (PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE)

NIH BIOSKETCHES & PMCID

Instructions for NIH Biosketch:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

B. Selected peer-reviewed publications
(in chronological order). Do not include publications submitted or in preparation. For publicly available citations, URLs or PMC submission identification numbers [PMCID] may accompany the full reference; copies of publicly available publications are not accepted as appendix material.
SAMPLE BIOSKETCH

BIOGRAFICAL SKETCH

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

http://publicaccess.nih.gov/