

# NIH Public Access Policy Chart

## When do NIH-funded authors need to comply with the Public Access Policy?

Funding Mechanism / Fiscal Year / Date of Publication Acceptance	Yes – required to comply	No – not required to comply
Manuscript generated by NIH FY 2008 (or beyond) grant or cooperative agreement and accepted for publication on or after April 7, 2008	✓	
Manuscript generated by NIH FY 2008 grant or cooperative agreement and accepted for publication BEFORE April 7, 2008		✓
Manuscript generated by NIH FY 2007 (or earlier) grant or cooperative agreement that is no longer active and accepted for publication on or after April 7, 2008		✓
Manuscript generated by NIH FY 2007 (or earlier) grant or cooperative agreement that is no longer active and accepted for publication BEFORE April 7, 2008		✓
Manuscript generated by a continuing NIH grant or cooperative agreement that is active in FY 2008 (or beyond) and accepted for publication on or after April 7, 2008	✓	
Manuscript generated by a continuing NIH grant or cooperative agreement that is active in FY 2008 and accepted for publication BEFORE April 7, 2008		✓
Manuscript generated by a NIH contract awarded prior to April 7, 2008		✓
Manuscript generated by a NIH contract awarded after April 7, 2008	✓	

*Note: Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 is October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. If you are funded by the NIH Intramural Program or if NIH pays salary, please refer to the NIH FAQs: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/FAQ.htm>*

## Useful Definitions

**NIH Grant**—Financial assistance mechanism providing money, property, or both to an eligible entity to carry out an approved project or activity. A grant is used whenever the NIH Institute or Center anticipates no substantial programmatic involvement with the recipient during performance of the financially assisted activities.

**NIH Cooperative Agreement**—A support mechanism used when there will be substantial Federal scientific or programmatic involvement. Substantial involvement means that, after award, scientific or program staff will assist, guide, coordinate, or participate in project activities.

**NIH Contract**—An award instrument establishing a binding legal procurement relationship between NIH and a recipient obligating the latter to furnish a product or service defined in detail by NIH and binding the Institute to pay for it.

**Manuscript**—The Investigator's final manuscript of a peer-reviewed article accepted for journal publication, including all modifications from the peer review process. The term “article” is used as a generic reference to all peer-reviewed publications including research reports, reviews, etc.

## Need Help Complying with the NIH Public Access Policy?

Below is a list of useful links to help you comply with the new policy.

- UCSD Biomedical Library NIH Public Access Policy web page – <http://biomed.ucsd.edu/nihpolicy.htm>  
*Provides information for UC researchers about how to comply with the policy*
- NIH Proposal Preparation from UCSD Office of Research & Grants -  
[http://ocga3.ucsd.edu/Proposal\\_Preparation/Federal/NIH/Grants/Proposal\\_Preparation/NIH-Public\\_Access\\_Policy.htm](http://ocga3.ucsd.edu/Proposal_Preparation/Federal/NIH/Grants/Proposal_Preparation/NIH-Public_Access_Policy.htm)
- NIH Public Access Policy – <http://publicaccess.nih.gov>  
*Includes details about the policy*
- NIH Public Access Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) – <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/FAQ.htm>
- NIH Manuscript Submission System (NIHMS) – <http://www.nihms.nih.gov/>  
*Submit your manuscript here*
- NIHMS Slide Show Help – <http://www.nihms.nih.gov/web-help/index.html>  
*Walks you through the process of using the NIHMS*
- List of Journals that Submit Articles to PubMed Central for You –  
[http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit\\_process\\_journals.htm](http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm)
- SHERPA/RoMEO – <http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo.php>  
*Check this site to determine publishers' policies for depositing in PubMed Central (PMC)*

## Questions?

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