# Understanding New Guidelines for Federally Funded Research

WHAT'S CHANGING, AND WHAT IT MIGHT MEAN TO YOU

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### What is Open Access?



#### **Open Access Explained!**

Open Access is freely available content on the internet that is available to everyone without restriction. This includes text, video, audio, software, and multimedia.

Making scholarly materials open has many benefits to readers, authors, and researchers, and there are lots of ways to do that!

# Open Access Week

This week is devoted to OA events & outreach

- Please see my blog post!
- Keep your eye out for future events

And of course, I can always answer questions about open access, academic publishing, and other scholarly communication issues

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# The Nelson Memo

Ensuring Free, Immediate, and Equitable Access to Federally Funded Research

Guidance for federal granting agencies

Goal: Increase public access to federally funded research

- Expansion of previous memo
- Focus on making research results available in repositories
- Implementation is still a work in progress



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

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### What is Federally Funded Research?

Federally Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDCs) are either exclusively or substantially financed by the U.S. Federal Government. Federally Funded also includes funding for research or institutional support provided by a grant or contract with the U.S. Federal Government or agency. An example of a federal agency is the National Institute of Health.

# Major Changes

Covers all federal funding agencies

Eliminates one-year embargo

New requirements for metadata and machine readability

Sharing data (and other materials)

# Public Access – what's required?

The public must be able to access federally funded research

Repository-based access

- Agencies will identify repositories to fulfill these requirements
- There are no requirements as to where you publish your research

No requirement for a specific license (but must allow reuse)

Which version should be shared?

# Big Changes: Which Agencies are Covered?

All!

• Under the previous memo, only the biggest

Humanities and Social Science grants as well as STEM grants

Agencies have some leeway to set parameters

- Where to deposit
- Conditions of deposit

- It's more likely that your funding agency will be covered under this policy
- Different agencies will have different rules, so you will need to check what's needed for your grants



Previous memo: Publishers were allowed to set a one-year embargo between publication and open access

Current memo: immediate access required

COVID as a case study

How will the publishers react?

- Your research will become available sooner! This means more people can access, read, and cite it.
- Publishers may impose or increase extra fees. You can write these into your grant, or take them into consideration when choosing a publisher.

# Big Changes: Metadata and Machine Readability

Machine readability

- Accessibility
- Text/data mining and other uses

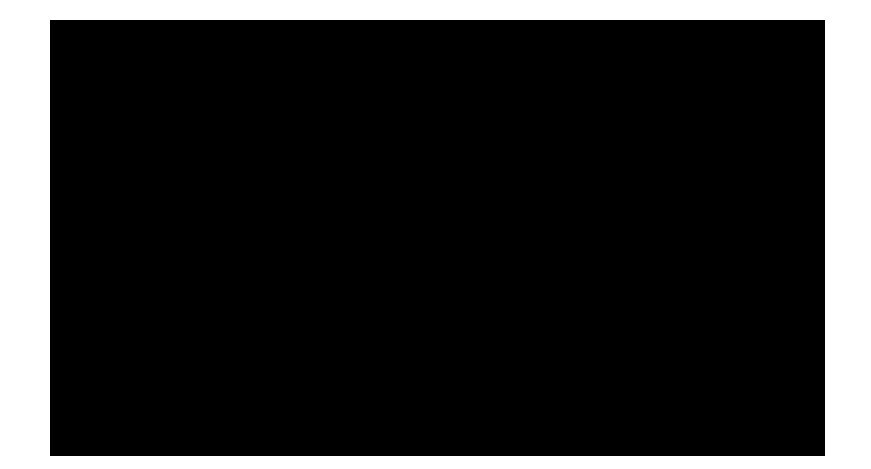
Metadata

- Persistent article/author identifiers
- Funding sources



- You need an <u>ORCID</u>. There are lots of other <u>good reasons</u> to get an ORCID profile if you don't already have one
- Persistent article identifiers may make it easier to direct people to your work

# A Quick Tour of the ORCID Record



# Big Changes: Data and More

#### Sharing data

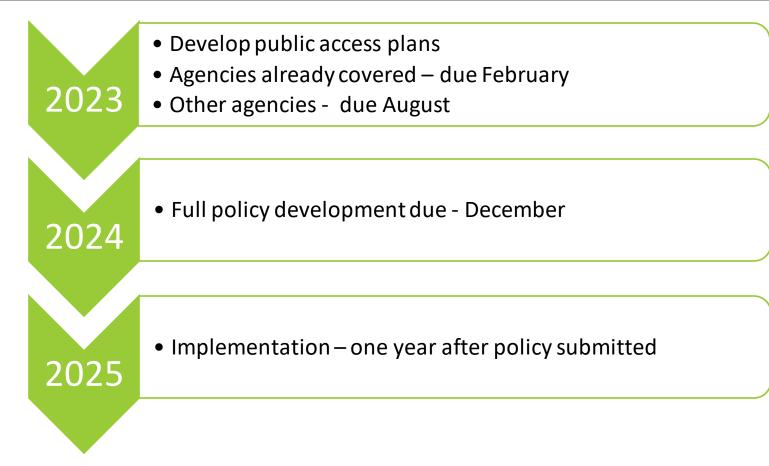
- Some exceptions
- Need for new platforms

#### Preparing for this!

- Data documentation
- Data Management Plans
- Data repositories

- More important than ever to keep your data neat and manageable
- It will be easier to build on the published research.

# Timeline



### How do I find Open Access Content?

<u>Open Access Directory (OAD)</u> provides a list of various OA repositories. The list is maintained by the OA community.

#### OAD provides a list of <u>repositories by discipline</u>

- AgriXiv (Agriculture)
- bioRxiv (reprint server of Biology operated by Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory)
- **<u>OER Commons</u>** (Education)
- Arxiv (Physics, mathematics, computer science, quantitative biology, and statistics.)
- <u>PubMedCentral</u>(Medicine)
- <u>ScienceOpen</u> (platform to search millions of OA articles)
- <u>Social Science Research Network (SSRN)</u>
- <u>SportRxiv</u> (The subject repository for sport, exercise and physical activity related research)

### Other OA Resources

<u>OAlster</u> – a union catalogue of millions of OA content.

BASE (Bielefeld Academic Search Engine) – a global, academic search engine with about 60% of OA content

<u>Directory of Open Access Journals</u> (DOAJ) – access to OA, peer-reviewed journals

Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB) – access to OA, scholarly books

OAPEN – OA books

<u>Digital Public Library of America</u> – images, texts, videos, etc.

PLoS - Public Library of Science



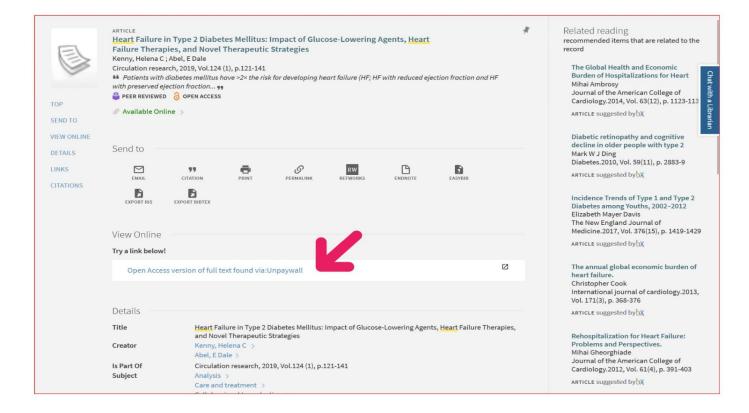
### **Browser Extensions**

- <u>Open Access Button</u> You may enter the article details on the site or download the browser extension for Chrome or Firefox.
- <u>Unpaywall</u> You may enter the article details on the site or download the browser extension for Chrome or Firefox.
  - Unpaywall extension is automatically available in <u>OneSearch</u>.

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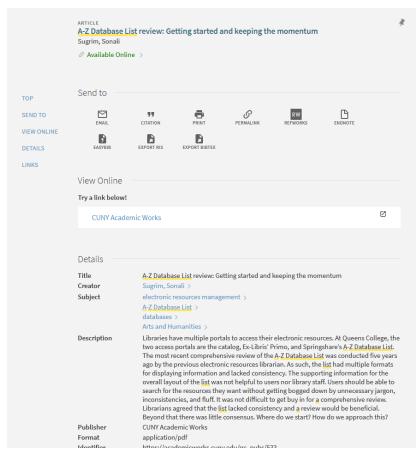
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CUNY Academic Works content in OneSearch

### What initiatives are we taking at the library?



We continue to ensure the discoverability of Open Access content in OneSearch.

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CUNY Academic Works content is indexed and available via OneSearch.



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## Questions and Answers!