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<p>Summary:</p> <p>The University of Winchester supports the principle that the results of research that have been publicly funded should be freely accessible in the public domain. This document details the University's policy for the open access publication of research findings.</p>	

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1. The University of Winchester recognises that Open Access to both research papers and research data allows greater visibility of research and can stimulate new research opportunities and collaborations. Making research papers and data Open Access has been shown to increase the number of citations and the re-use of data can lead to new research opportunities and means that data does not have to be recreated unnecessarily. New research can build on existing research to further discovery.
2. The University is committed to disseminating its research and scholarship as widely as possible. In keeping with that commitment, it supports the principle that ‘the results of research that have been publicly funded should be freely accessible in the public domain’ and therefore it supports its staff in making research available through Open Access.
3. Researchers should always comply with funder policy on Open Access publishing.
4. The University affirms that academics should not be deterred from publishing in the journal of their choice.
5. The University recommends Green Open Access (self-archiving) as the most cost-effective, sustainable way to achieve greater public access to research outputs and supports Green Open Access through the development of its institutional repository, or through subject-based repositories and other open websites.
6. The University will support Gold Open Access, whereby the author is usually required to pay an Article Processing Charge to publish in an Open Access journal, through provision of an Open Access Publication Fund.
7. All researchers should deposit the research papers they produce whilst employed at the University on Open Access in the Winchester Research Repository, as soon as publisher restrictions will allow. Embargo periods of 6–24 months are standard depending on funder requirements. To protect the interests of learned societies and smaller, non-profit publishers, the University supports an embargo period of up to 2 years. The University has mandated the green route to Open Access (via the institutional repository) as its standard route for sharing research freely and openly.
8. The University supports the use of the widest form of licensing so that the article may be read and re-used. A Creative Commons Attribution License (CC-BY) is currently required by the Research Councils UK policy; this allows articles to be read and re-used for both non-commercial and commercial purposes.
9. Funder mandates are evolving and this framework may need regular review.
10. The Director of Research and Knowledge Exchange is responsible for guiding the development and updating of this policy.