

Open access and what it means for you

PLoS definition - “unrestricted access and unrestricted reuse”



NTU Publications Strategy

“Ensure effective publication, dissemination, communication and curation of NTU research”

NTU mandates the deposit of the full text of journal articles and conference papers (copyright permitting) into IRep

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For REF consideration articles and conference proceedings with an ISSN only will have to be deposited in IRep upon acceptance from 1 April 2016

Benefits

Showcases and increases the discoverability of your outputs

Maximises the impact of your research

Has the potential to increase the citations of your publications

Increases the visibility of your outputs to a wider audience, including the public

Funding

Check your funder's requirements

RCUK has a default open access policy

Other funding bodies may have similar policies

How to make your research outputs open access

Submit the details to IRep using PubSub, which provides contextual copyright advice as to which version you can submit. If you're unable to provide full text (e.g. because of copyright restrictions) you should provide a citation as the minimum. You can request help at different stages of the process. Your staff profile links to your outputs in IRep.



Glossary

APC – article processing charge. The author pays a fee for publication in open access journals, or for immediate (gold) open access publishing in a hybrid journal.

Gold route – enables immediate access of the final publisher's version of your research output; an APC is usually charged.

Green route – free open access publishing, often with an embargo normally ranging from 6 to 24 months.

Hybrid journal – contains a mixture of open access and subscription-only articles.

IRep – NTU's institutional repository <http://irep.ntu.ac.uk/>.

Open access fund – NTU has funds to support requests for gold open access publishing. You'll need to complete a form for sign-off from your School Research Coordinator.

Post-print – draft article after peer review but without publisher's typesetting. This is the preferred format for deposit in IRep as it's the closest to the published version.

Pre-print - draft article before peer review.

PubSub – the online submission process for depositing your research outputs into IRep. If you use this off campus you will need to bookmark the link in NTU Anywhere <http://joyce.ads.ntu.ac.uk/pubsub>.

Email **LIBResearchTeam** for further advice.