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CAS Issues Open Access Policy

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The Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) will promote open access to scientific articles generated from publicly funded research, the academy announced Thursday in Beijing.

In a statement, CAS said it will require its researchers and graduate students to deposit final, peer-reviewed manuscripts of research articles into the open access repositories of their respective institutes within 12 months of their official publication in academic journals.

CAS will also encourage researchers to deposit previously published articles into their respective institutional repositories as well.

The academy said open access will "facilitate knowledge dissemination and accelerate the globalization of science." thus quickly transforming knowledge into innovation and benefiting social development.

As part of its new policy, the academy has also authorized libraries and information departments to develop detailed open access guidelines in accordance with copyright laws.

CAS noted that open access will continue to evolve and the academy expects further cooperation with the international scientific community to promote the cause.



Open access has been widely accepted by the global science community and will be one of two main topics discussed at the 3rd Annual Meeting of the Global Research Council (GRC), to be held this month in Beijing. GRC, which brings together leaders of science and engineering funding agencies from around the world, is dedicated to promoting the sharing of data and best practices for high-quality collaboration among funding agencies.

The National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) also issued a similar policy at the meeting supporting open access to the published results of all NSFC-funded projects.

For more information about the 3rd Annual Meeting of the Global Research Council, please refer to http://grc2014beijing.cn/dct/page/1.

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