



**Florida International University  
Office of Sponsored Research Administration**

**Memorandum**

To: University Research Community

From: Office of Sponsored Research Administration

Subj.: NIH Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH-Funded Research

Date: April 16, 2008

The Office of Sponsored Research Administration would like to advise the university research community that the NIH Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH Funded Research (NIH Public Access Policy) is currently in effect.

The policy indicates (available for review at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-08-033.html>) that a copy of all peer-reviewed articles accepted for publication on or after April 7, 2008 that arise as a result of research funded by the NIH should be deposited into PubMed Central. The policy specifically states that:

1. The NIH Public Access Policy applies to all peer-reviewed articles that arise, in whole or in part, from direct costs funded by NIH, or from NIH staff, that are accepted for publication on or after April 7, 2008.
2. Institutions and investigators are responsible for ensuring that any publishing or copyright agreements concerning submitted articles fully comply with this Policy.
3. PubMed Central (PMC) is the NIH digital archive of full-text, peer-reviewed journal articles. Its content is publicly accessible and integrated with other databases (see: <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/>).
4. The final, peer-reviewed manuscript includes all graphics and supplemental materials that are associated with the article.
5. Beginning May 25, 2008, anyone submitting an application, proposal or progress report to the NIH must include the PMC or NIH Manuscript Submission reference

number when citing applicable articles that arise from their NIH funded research. This policy includes applications submitted to the NIH for the May 25, 2008 due date and subsequent due dates.

Additionally, the NIH has released a Request for Information (available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-08-060.html>) seeking further comment on the NIH Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH Funded Research (NIH Public Access Policy). The comment period is open until May 31, 2008, however compliance with the current policy is still required.

If you have any additional questions or need additional guidance then please visit the NIH's responses to frequently asked questions that provides guidance on the implementation of this policy at: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/FAQ.htm#content> or contact the Office of Sponsored Research Administration at 305-348-2494.

Thank you.