

Subject: RFI: Public Access to Peer-Reviewed Scholarly Publications Resulting From Federally Funded Research

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To the Office of Science and Technology Policy:

Thank you for extending the comment period for your "Request for Information: Public Access to Peer-Reviewed Scholarly Publications Resulting From Federally Funded Research."

In your deliberations to establish "approaches for ensuring long-term stewardship and broad public access to the peer-reviewed scholarly publications that result from federally funded scientific research," I strongly urge you to permit the broadest, freest public access to scientific information that has arisen from federally funded research.

The public has paid for the research: The public should reap the broadest benefits from the research it has so generously funded.

The pecuniary interests of private corporations must not take precedence over universal access to publicly funded research results.

Very sincerely yours,

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