

cOAlition S: Rights Retention Strategy

Helping researchers retain rights and share their work Open Access



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Making full and immediate Open Access a reality



Researchers publish in any journal of their choice
Research is immediately OA under CC BY license
Researchers retain the right to use and share AAM
Publications reach a wider audience more quickly

What is the Rights Retention Strategy?

- Researchers publish in their **journals of choice** while fulfilling the cOAlition S OA mandate.
- **cOAlition S Organisations require that at least the Author Accepted Manuscript (AAM)** supported by their funding **is published with a CC BY licence with no embargo.**
- **Publishers have been notified** of the strategy. This notice, and the researcher's instruction to the publisher in (1) below, take legal precedence over any later copyright or licensing agreement, and helps the author keep sufficient intellectual ownership.

What should researchers do?

cOAlition S funded researchers should:

1. **Inform the publisher that the AAM resulting from their submission carries a CC BY public copyright licence** in either the submission letter or the acknowledgements section, or both:

"This research was funded, in whole or in part, by [Organisation name, Grant #]. A CC BY or equivalent licence is applied to [the AAM/ the VoR] arising from this submission, in accordance with the grant's open access conditions".

2. On publication: **deposit their AAM in a repository**

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