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Open Access (OA) Open Research Data (ORD)

How to comply with the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) requirements

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u^b Open Access (OA) Swiss National Strategy

[Swiss National Strategy on Open Access, 31 January 2017 \(PDF\)](#)

- Goal: By 2024 all scholarly publications in Switzerland funded by public money must be OA
- Existed since 2017 and will expire in 2024
- The SNSF has embedded its OA policies in it



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Open Access (OA)

SNSF Policy on OA Publications

- The SNSF has set itself a clear and ambitious goal: by 2020, all publications relating to projects funded by the SNSF are openly accessible ([SNSF OA](#))
- In 2023, the [SNSF joined cOAlition S](#) with stricter OA rules; the rules apply for grants awarded from 2023 onward:
 - Immediate Open Access, no embargo periods accepted for Green OA
 - Only CC-BY-Licenses are accepted
 - SNSF does not fund hybrid OA fees
- Gold OA Books (Monographs and anthologies). Submission via [OA](#) mySNF

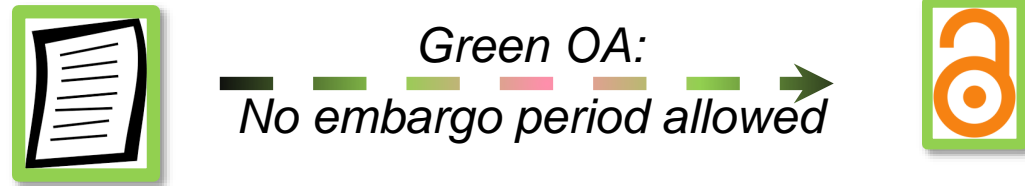


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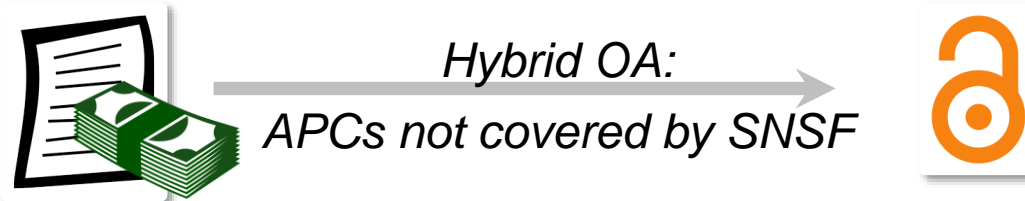
Roadmap for Journal Articles under Plan S



Green Self-archiving of **post-prints** or publisher's version in accepted repositories, e.g. [BORIS publications](#) at the UniBE



Hybrid The OA requirements are met, but SNSF will not cover these costs. Check for [Read & Publish contracts at UniBE](#).



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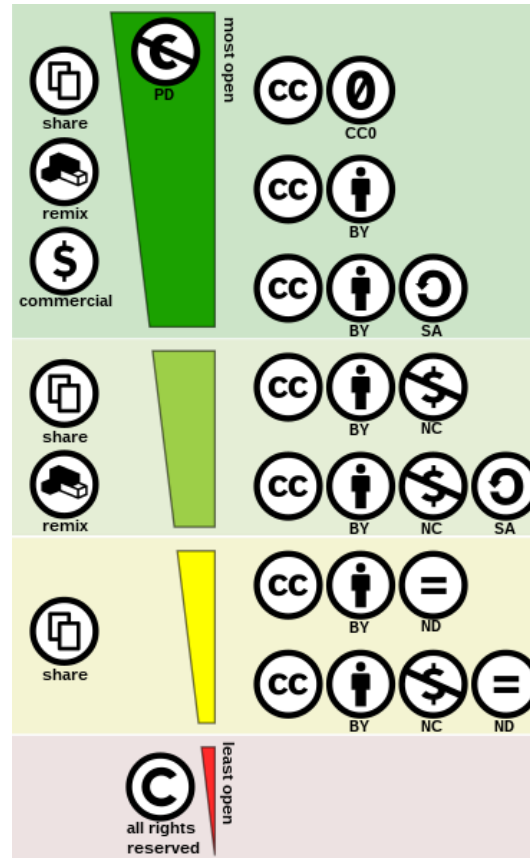
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License Requirements under cOAlition S



Compliance with cOAlition S and SNSF requires a CC-BY license

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- Grant permission to access, re-use, and redistribute material with few or no restrictions.
- Different license elements representing condition for re-use can be combined
- Licenses range from very open to very restrictive. The more restrictions, the trickier it is to combine content under different licenses.



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Open Access Preprint Servers



Not compliant with
the SNSF Open
Access requirements

Khurana, S. (2020). [Commonly used pre-print servers for researchers](#)



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Open Access ChronosHub



A screenshot of the ChronosHub login page. The page has a dark blue background with faint, glowing alphanumeric characters. On the left, there is a login form with two white input fields labeled "Email" and "Password". Below these fields are links for "Forgot Your Password?" and a "Login →" button. A red arrow points to the "Login →" button. On the right side of the page, there is a section titled "Do you have an invoice from a publisher?" with a subtext: "If an APC invoice was sent to you, please upload it to your submission, or email it with the required details." Below this text is a dark button labeled "Email invoice". At the bottom left, there is a "Request Access" section with a button labeled "Request Access - Researcher".



Login or email invoice to
SNSF snsf@chronoshub.io

<https://snsf.chronoshub.io/>



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Open Access ChronosHub Portal

Platform to facilitate OA publishing

- [Check journals](#) for compliance with the SNSF OA Policy
- Get your article processing charges paid directly
- Reuse the data for reporting

The screenshot displays the ChronosHub Portal dashboard with four main navigation options:

- Check your favorite journals**: Use the Journal Finder with its 40,000+ journals to check whether your favorite journals are compliant with the SNSF Open Access Policy.
- Submit manuscript to publisher**: Submit your manuscript to the publisher through the Journal Finder to reduce administration upon.
- Upload your invoice**: If an APC invoice was sent to you, please upload it to your submission, or email it with the required details. Includes an **Email invoice** button.
- View published articles**: Once your article is published, you can view it in your profile and use this information for further reporting.

Below these options is a section titled **Stay compliant - Select your funder(s)** with the instruction: "Select the funders involved with your research to make sure you meet compliance." It features a search input field with the placeholder "Enter Funder name" and a dropdown menu showing "Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)" with a **Remove from selection** link. At the bottom is a **SAVE AND UPDATE MY SEARCH** button with a checkmark icon.

<https://snsf.chronoshub.io/dashboard/>



Open Access ChronosHub Portal

Comply with the SNSF requirements

Publisher Show all (100)

- Springer Nature 2698
- Taylor & Francis 164
- Elsevier 162
- Nature Publishing Group 127
- Wiley 58
- SAGE Publications 22
- American Chemical Society (ACS) 12
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers 11

Journal Lists

- Scopus [?] 3024
- Web of Science [?] 2427
- DOAJ [?] 361

Subject areas Show all (331)

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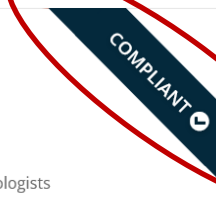
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ChronosHub – further information

How to submit a manuscript: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YLv00lvjL8g>

How to upload an invoice: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXG5TCa9V_c

More information on Chronos Hub: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0GzwcaMI3xQ>



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SNSF Open Access Requirements

Take-Home Message

Requirements (cOAlition S)

- OA 6 months/immediate after publication
- Publications must have a CC-BY-license
- cOAlition S requirements apply to grants awarded from 2023 onwards

Funder information

Make sure that ALL required bibliographic metadata is included and that it is also publicly available:

- Funding body («SNSF»)
- Title of the program
- Grant number
- Publication date (including embargo period, if applicable)
- Digital Object Identifier (DOI)



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Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) Open Research Data

"Research data should be freely accessible to everyone –
for scientists as well as for the general public".

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[Concordat on Open Research Data](#)



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Open Research Data National Strategy




"Open Research Data (ORD) has to do with facilitating access to and reuse of research data."

"ORD practices support transparent, reproducible research findings."



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SNSF Guidelines on Open Research Data (ORD)

-  **Data underlying publications** must be shared unless there are legal, ethical, copyright or similar obstacles
-  **Data must be shared** at the latest together with the respective publication. Further data can be shared, but this is not mandatory
-  [New SNSF regulations, April 2023](#) submit a **data management plan (DMP)** not later than the project starts and update regularly.



u^b Open Research Data

Choosing a repository

Checklist

- Data are given unique and persistent identifiers (e.g., DOI)
- Metadata publicly accessible and stored permanently (e.g., *author, title/content, version, etc*)
- Clear licensing supported (e.g., [Creative Commons](#))
- Submission form for metadata is provided
- Long-term preservation plan is included (minimum 10 years)

Good to know

- [SNSF repositories list](#) commonly used by researchers (non-exhaustive)
- Re3data.org <https://www.re3data.org>
- [Up to 10'000 CHF](#) for data upload and data preparation for publication on non-commercial repository

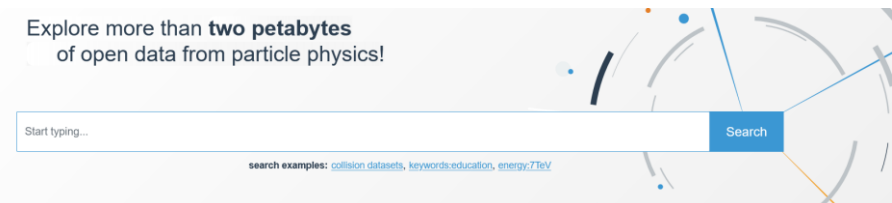
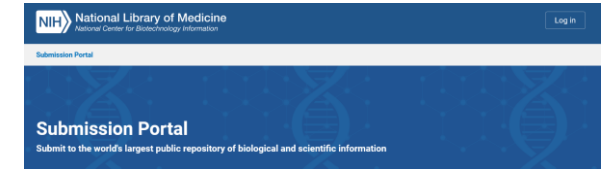
[SNSF guidelines](#), art. 5.1



Open Research Data Repositories – Overview

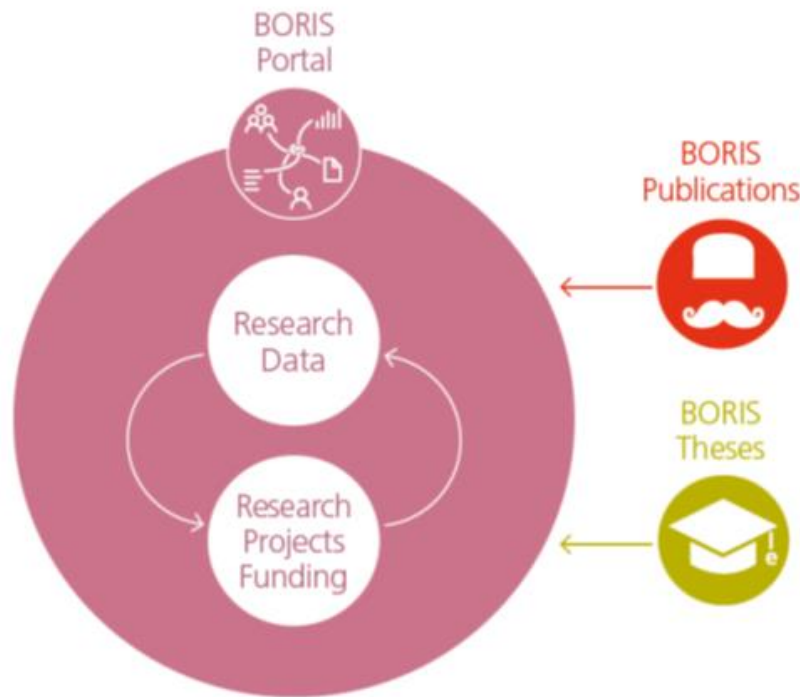
Discipline-specific

- [Nature](#) – a list of recommended repositories
- [CERN Open Data](#)
- International Clinical Trials Registry Platform ([ICTPR](#))
- The image data resource (cell, tissue [IDR](#))
- PANGAEA ([Environmental sciences](#))
- SwissUbase (e.g., [Social sciences](#))
- DaSCH ([Humanities](#))
- NIH-supported data repositories ([Medicine, Genomic data](#))



Open Research Data Institutional Repository – Overview

BORIS Portal Research Data Repository



- Institutional research data repository @ UniBE
- Digital Object Identifier (DOI)
- Metadata description (Dublin Core)
- Metadata stored under [CC0](#) and permanently
- Data documentation upload
- Managing data access
- Licenses
- Policy for long-term preservation (**10 years**)
- For clinical studies permitted (anonymized data only)



u^b Open Research Data Repositories – Overview

Generic - open to researchers from all disciplines



[Zenodo](#) - not-for-profit



DRYAD [Dryad](#) - may charge a fee



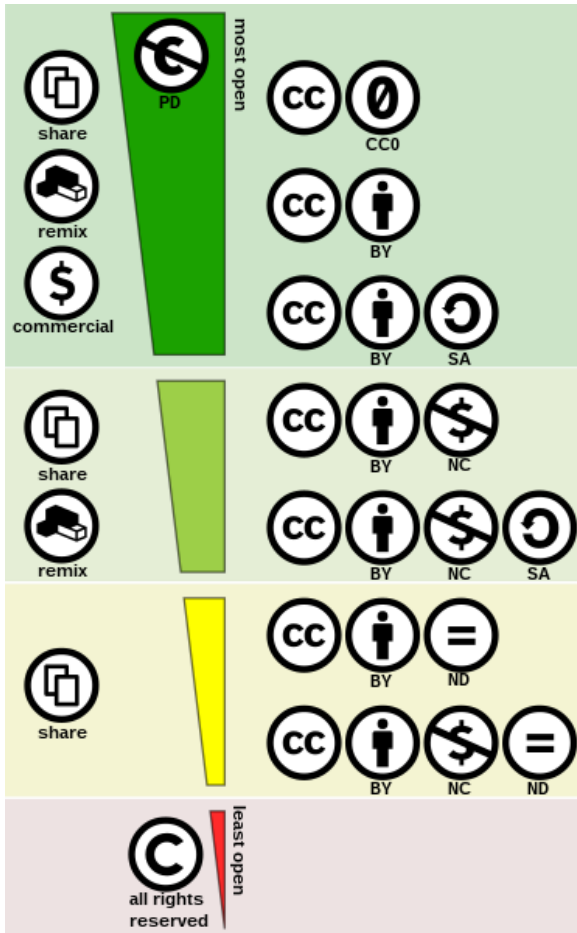
[Figshare](#) - free of charge for academic use for up to 20 GB.
If larger than 20 GB – one time fee will be charged.



[SwissUbase](#) - national cross-disciplinary solution for Swiss universities



u^b Open Research Data Recommendation



- The SNSF allows researchers to choose the best suitable license for the data based on the principle of reusability (see [SNSF Policy on Open Research Data](#)).
- The Open Science Team UniBE recommends [CC 0](#) or the newest version [CC BY](#) licenses to allow maximal reusability.
- If data cannot be openly published due to ethical or legal restrictions, metadata, and supplementary material can be published under [CC 0](#) to fulfil funders' agencies' requirements.

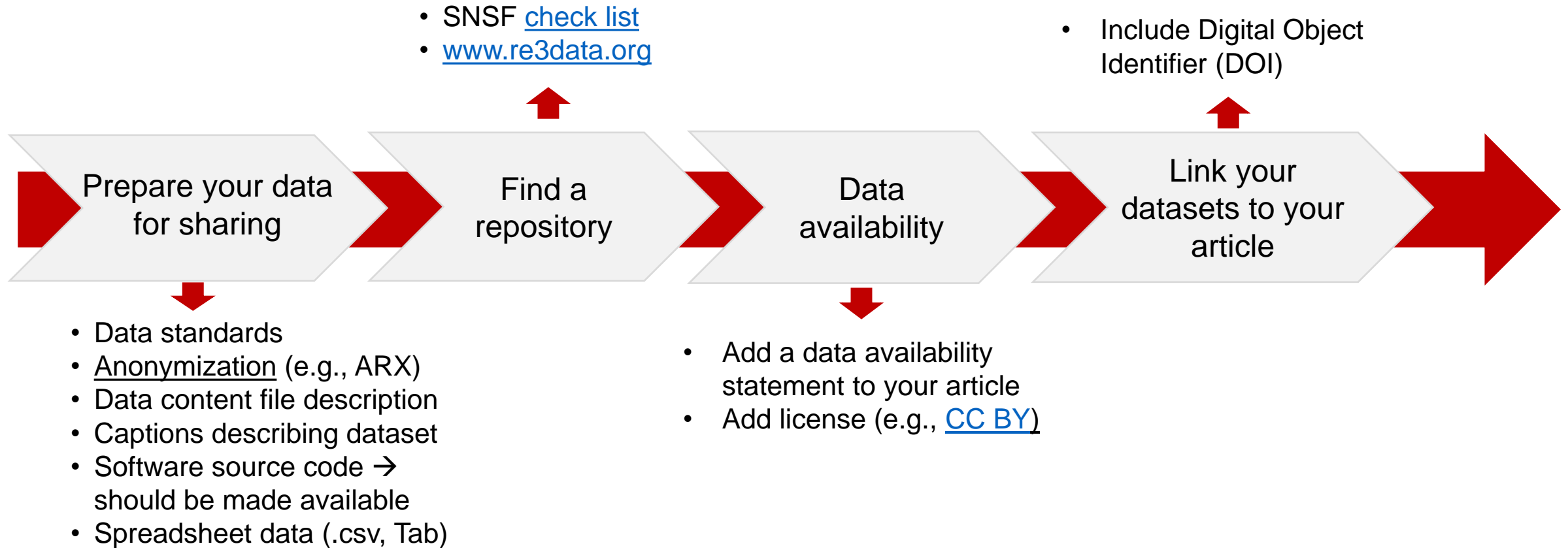
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u^b Open Research Data Summary



u^b Open Research Data Take-Home Message

Data publishing

- Data underlying publications must be made freely available and stored in research data repository, if there are no legal, ethical, copyright, confidentiality or other clauses
- Metadata should be openly accessible and stored permanently (CC0)
- Applicants must present a data management plan via *mySNF* **not later than project starts**
- The DMP should be regularly updated

SNSF provides

- Up to **10'000 CHF** for data upload and data preparation for publication on **non-commercial repository**



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