

## Open access publication in the United States

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Development of open access initiatives in America will be introduced by giving special focus on policy issues. In America and some other countries, there have been number of initiatives of open access by non-governmental organizations in such forms as the Public Library of Science and BioMed Central. U.S. government also took an initiative of repository for papers submitted in accordance with the NIH Public Access Policy at PubMed Central in 2005.

As the open access initiatives developed, stakeholders raised various issues related to open access such as copyright, finance, etc. In response, the House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology worked together with the White House to examine these issues. From June 2009 roundtable discussions were held to which stakeholders, including universities, university libraries, commercial publishers, learned societies, and author-pays publishers were invited to participate. In January 2010 a document entitled "Report and Recommendations from the Scholarly Publishing Roundtable" was published.

On the other hand, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) undertook request for information (RFI) in 2009 and 2011 to have inputs on Data Sharing and Public Access for Scholarly Publications. The OSTP received many comments from variety of stakeholders including general public.

Policy issues raised by the Scholarly Publishing Roundtable and other points of discussion that can be extracted from RFI will be presented. In addition, recent development of other federal agencies' efforts toward public access will also be introduced.

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