

NAIST Academic Repository naistar

The naistar aims to collect research materials and distribute them globally.

Nara Institute of Science and Technology Open Access Policy

In advance of the immediate open-access mandate from FY2025, the Nara Institute of Science and Technology adopted an open access policy as a statement of intent on July 16, 2019. NAIST OA Policy provides our research outputs free of charge to contribute to the development of cutting edge research and education, and also to contribute to society. The OA policy is a statement of intention by the entire institutional organization in order to promote the dispatch of the research outputs spontaneously by faculty.

● Open Access

Open access is unrestricted online access to research outputs, free of cost or other access barriers.

In cases when the author wishes, selecting of open access to the institutional repository where a co-author belongs or to an OA journal may be chosen.

About Immediate Open Access Mandate

Starting from FY2025, the articles resulting from nationally funded research in Japan must be made open-access (OA) immediately on publication. After publication in an academic journal, it was required to immediately publish it in an information infrastructure such as an institutional repository.

● Research funding programs requiring immediate open access

- JSPS Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (KAKENHI)
- JST Strategic Basic Research Programs
- AMED Strategic Basic Research Programs
(Advanced Research & Development Programs for Medical Innovation)
- JST Forest (Fusion oriented research for disruptive science and technology)

● Subject to immediate open access

- Peer-reviewed academic papers
Peer-reviewed research articles published in electronic journals. (including the author's final manuscript)
- Evidence data
Research data that are required to be published in the writing guidelines and publication rules of the electronic journal in order to ensure transparency and reproducibility.

Immediate open access to academic papers

Library HP > NAIST 学術リポジトリ naistar > Immediate open access

https://library.naist.jp/library/naistar/immediate_OA2025_en.html



Use “naistar” to make your paper and its evidence data open-access.

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QR code (naistar)

FAQ

What is an “Institutional Repository”?

The NAIST Digital Library operates “naistar” as our “institutional repository”, which aims to collect digital research materials produced at NAIST, storing and saving the materials on a permanent basis, and providing them for public viewing via Internet free of charge.

Is the repository necessary even though we can read articles in online journals ?

While most online journals are limited to those who have contracts with the publishers, the repository contributes to the development of academic research via Internet free of charge. Registration in the repository plays a central role in open access activities.

What is the difference from releasing my article on my HP ?

The NAIST Digital Library maintains and preserves your work in “naistar”, so you can avoid broken links in citing your research with permanent URLs, get top search results in Google, IRDB, or OAIster, and see your research cited more frequently. When a NAIST faculty member registered an article on naistar, it remains to be disclosed even after the member moved or left the job.

Does depositing my research material mean transferring the copyright ?

The copyright of research materials shall remain with the copyright holder and not be transferred to the Library when they are deposited to “naistar”.

Is it possible to deposit research materials whose copyright belongs to the publisher ?

Though most publishers permit using the final draft post-referring of papers in institutional repositories, each publisher has different policies concerning self-archiving. After the Library confirms the copyright policy, the submitted article will be deposited to “naistar”.

What kind of research materials are eligible for depositing ?

We register academic research results that can be handled in electronic data. In addition to PDFs of papers, images, Excel, and other research data are also included. When an article only exists in paper format, the Library will scan it.

What should I do to deposit my research materials ?

The Library will deposit open research materials such as technical reports, and lecture videos without any formalities. You can register your journal articles, conference papers, etc. through the Research Achievement Management System. You can select "Whether this paper can be registered in naistar or not" from the registration items of the achievement data in the NAIST Research Achievements Management System. When you deposit your journal articles and/or conference papers, you may be asked to submit the final draft post-referring depends on the copyright.



What is the final draft post-referring version?

At each step towards article submission, there are different article versions with the author and publisher. The final draft post-referring version is the final author’s version which has been accepted by the publisher. This version will eventually be formatted and released as the “Publisher version” in online journals.

For more details, please refer to [Introduction to "naistar" \(NAIST Academic Repository\)](#)

