The March 20 Open Meeting: What We Heard Today-Preliminary Analysis

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Predominant Themes in Today’s Meeting

- Copyright
  - Adequate protection of publisher rights
  - Publication agreements to support the policy

- Implementation timetable
  - Too fast – need rulemaking
  - Move forward now

- Financial impact on publishers
  - Adverse
  - None
Predominant Themes in Today’s Meeting

- Article Submission
  - Different versions of articles in circulation
  - Submission methods

- Communication and collaboration
  - NIH instructions are largely effective
  - NIH has left open questions on the Policy
  - Stakeholder efforts to educate authors
Predominant Themes in Today’s Meeting

- Public Impact
  - Public Access costs divert funds from research
  - Benefits to science and health

- Delay period
  - Too short
  - Too long

- Role of Publishers
  - Value added by publishers
  - Duplication of efforts with publishers
Further Analysis

- We will analyze the transcript of today’s comments with the other pre-meeting comments received, and with the RFI results.

- The transcript and video cast will be posted to: http://publicaccess.nih.gov/comments.htm

- NIH’s Report on the Meeting, Pre-Meeting Comments and the RFI will be issued by September 30, 2008
NIH continues to seek information from the public, including all stakeholders, about the NIH Public Access Policy, (NOT-OD-05-022), and as revised by the NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts (NOT-OD-08-033 NIH) to incorporate requirements in PL 110-161.

Target Dates: March 31-May 31, 2008

Submit and View Comments: 
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Thank You for Your Input

- Look for the RFI (to be announced in the Federal Register):
  
  http://publicaccess.nih.gov/comments.htm

- Please review other stakeholder comments at
  
  http://publicaccess.nih.gov/comments.htm

- We very much appreciate your energy and your feedback!