

MTA OA MANDATE

Open Access Mandate of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA)

The President of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences (Magyar Tudományos Akadémia, hereafter MTA) issued an Open Access Mandate - the Hungarian language text of the Mandate can be accessed [here](#). The mandate was modified in 2016, the modified Hungarian text is accessible in the [December issue of the Akadémiai Értesítő](#) (the Gazette of the Hungarian Academy).

The researchers and employees of the MTA - including all researchers of the research units and Momentum research groups receiving financial support from the MTA - should make their scientific publications Open Access. Open Access could be achieved by i.) self-archiving in institutional or discipline-based repositories, ii.) publishing them in Open Access journals or in hybrid journals offering paid Open Access. The Mandate is obligatory for all scientific publications submitted for publication after January 1st, 2013. Open Access via repositories is recommended for scientific publications submitted or published before 2013.

The default repository is the REAL of the Library of the MTA, but discipline-based repositories could be used wherever available (e.g. arXiv, PubMed Central, etc.), and researchers of research units or Momentum research groups at Universities, receiving financial support from the MTA may use the local Open Access repository of the University.

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URLs of the Open Access versions of the publications should be entered to the Hungarian National Scientific Bibliography (MTMT) database.

Embargo periods - if required by the publisher - could be accepted (one year for STM and two years for AHSS). Corrected manuscripts (final versions accepted by the journals after peer review) could be archived. If the publisher does not accept any form of Open Access, publications should be archived in REAL, choosing a closed access option. For articles the option "registered users only" should be applied, books should be deposited with the option "repository staff only", if the publisher does not allow any Open Access deposit.

Aspects of patentability could be taken into account. The Open Access does not need to be "libre", "gratis" OA is acceptable. Available research funds could be used for covering the costs of Open Access (processing charges or OA fees levied by hybrid journals).

The mandated license is CC BY-NC-ND, more liberal licenses could be used if these are acceptable for all the interested parties.

The employer of the MTA unit could waive the Open Access requirement, but in such cases closed access deposit to REAL is required.

The MTA provides an [author addendum](#) and a [cover letter](#) for the use of the authors in the communication with the publishers.