[Data, data] every where.. Nor any drop to drink - Samuel Taylor Coleridge





PLOS Data Access Policy Update

No barriers to enter. All welcome.

All data underlying the published results should be *fully available without restriction with rare exception* and described in the article publication.



New Social Contract

"What can publishers do to promote the work of libraries and institutions in advancing data access and availability?" PLOS & CDL (IDCC 2014)



Recommendations for publishers to increase access to data

- **1.** Establish and enforce a mandatory data availability policy.
- Contribute to establishing community standards for data management. Enact and enforce them as journal policies.
- **3.** Contribute to establishing community standards for data preservation. Enact and enforce them as journal policies.
- 4. Provide formal channels to share data.
- 5. Work with repositories to streamline data submission.
- **6.** Require appropriate citation to all data associated with a publication both produced and used.
- 7. Develop and report indicators that will support data as a first-class scholarly output.
- **8.** Incentivize data sharing by promoting the value of data sharing.

