

ZHAW Open Access Policy

The ZHAW conducts science-based teaching and application-oriented research, both of which require scientific information that can be accessed as quickly as possible. A publication that follows [open access principles](#) allows general access to research findings and helps to distribute these to various interested parties.

The ZHAW supports the [requirements of the Berlin declaration](#) by following the [open access position of the SNSF](#), and also the European programme Horizon 2020. According to open access principles the ZHAW is committed to making all research results that are to be published accessible to the public, as long as there are no legal constraints.

1. The ZHAW supports the [green road to open access](#) and expects its members to place publications in the “ZHAW digitalcollection” repository.
2. The ZHAW recommends its members to grant non-exclusive rights of use for publication purposes. It expects its staff to deposit the postprint or the published version in the institutional ZHAW repository after the expiry of the usual embargo period.
3. The ZHAW designates the University Library as the point of contact for all questions relating to open access. The University Library is responsible for the ZHAW institutional repository, [ZHAW digitalcollection](#), and for the ongoing optimisation of services, infrastructure and processes.
4. The ZHAW also supports original open access publications by following the gold road to open access. Researchers at the ZHAW are asked to accept offers of publication that guarantee open access, where such offers are suitable. The University Library offers advice relating to the selection of Gold Road publishers and has membership arrangements with open access publishers. Publication fees are to be charged to the corresponding organisational unit or project budget.
5. The University Library will contribute to publication costs.
6. Freedom of publication and of research is not to be restricted by these guidelines.

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