

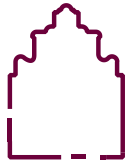


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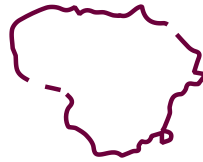
Rights Retention Strategy at Vilnius University: from Policy to Implementation

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Vilnius University: Facts and Figures



Founded in 1579 m.



#1 in Lithuania*



401–410 in the world*



189 study
programmes offered



~1 500
scientific publications annually



20 236 students

*QS World University Rankings

Vilnius University Open Science Policy

Vilnius University Open Science Policy Guidelines

Article 12. The University aims to make the University's scientific (artistic) works and final study projects **publicly accessible** <...>.

Article 13. It is recommended that, when choosing open access for publishing and/or releasing University's scientific (artistic) works, **preference be given to pure open access journals** that ensure high quality of research results, appropriate levels of peer review, and have a significant impact on the development and dissemination of science. <...>.



Vilnius University Open Science Policy Implementation Plan for 2023-2028

Article 1.1.1. Update of the University's open access to scientific (artistic) works and final study project regulations <...>. **100% of scientific publications financed by national and European research councils and public grants from the University budget should be accessible through open access.**

Article 1.1.2. Establishment of a **funding procedure for open access publishing articles and books.**



Current Regulations

Vilnius University Regulations on Intellectual Property Management

Article 6.3. The **intellectual property rights** to textbooks, literature, scientific works (monographs, research articles, conference abstracts, presentations, book chapters, scientific data, or datasets, and similar creations), as well as works of art, **belong to the University employees who created them**, unless otherwise specified in a copyright or other agreement, or if the creation of these works was not commissioned and funded by the University in a specific case.



Addendum of Typical Publication Agreement at Vilnius University

Article 4. Author's Retention of Rights. **Notwithstanding any terms in the Publication Agreement to the contrary**, Author and Publisher agree that in addition to any rights under copyright retained by Author in the Publication Agreement, **Author retains:**

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Further Implementation of Rights Retention Strategy

Rights Retention Objectives at Vilnius University

- To guarantee **open access without embargo, utilizing a CC BY license, and accessibility through a repository** for all scientific publications funded by national and European research councils, as well as public grants from the University budget.
- To guarantee that researchers with the aforementioned funding have the continued **flexibility to publish in a diverse range of journals**, and to **provide the means** for these researchers to **retain sufficient rights** for the reuse of their work according to their preferences.



Current Legal Initiatives: Ongoing Processes



■ **Revising** Vilnius University
Open Access to Scientific
(Artistic) and Study Works
Provisions

■ **Creation** of Funding
Procedure for Open Access
Publishing of Articles and
Books at Vilnius University

■ **Revising** of Procedure for
Uploading Documents of
Vilnius University to the
Repository of the Lithuanian
Academic Electronic Library
System



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**Thank you for
your attention! 😊**