Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Open Access Policy

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(Purpose)

1　Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (referred to as "TUAT" below) sets forth the following policy concerning Open Access with the goal of contributing to the further development of academic research, giving back the results of such to society, and contributing to the sustainable development of regional and international society by allowing wide public access both within Japan and internationally for research results produced at TUAT based on the basic philosophy stated in the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Charter.

(Publicly releasing Research Results)

2　TUAT makes available to the public, through one of the following methods, the research results (referred to as "Research Results" below) of academic papers and related materials included in academic journals and related publications published by organizations such as publishers, academic societies, or universities, and written by faculty members affiliated with TUAT.　The copyrights of the Research Results do not transfer to TUAT.

　　(1)　Registering in the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Repository (referred to as "TUAT Repository" below).
　　(2)　Including in an Open Access journal.
　　(3)　Including the academic paper on the publisher website with the Open Access option selected.
　　(4)　Registering in the external repository of a preprint server, etc. maintained by an external institution.

(Exception)

3　If the faculty member or TUAT deems that it is not appropriate to publicly release Research Results in the Repository due to unavoidable grounds, such as copyright issues, TUAT will not publicly release those Research Results.

(Non-retroactivity)

4　This Policy does not extend to covering Research Results published before the enactment of this Policy or Research Results that are the subject of a contract formed before the enactment of this Policy, and which contradicts this Policy.

(Registration in the TUAT Repository)

5　When selecting public release in the TUAT Repository, the faculty member must provide free of charge to TUAT, as promptly as possible, the appropriate edition that is permitted to be in the Repository, such as the accepted manuscript. Matters concerning the TUAT Repository, such as registration in the Repository and public release, are handled pursuant to the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Repository Operation Guidelines.

(Revising this Policy)

6   TUAT may revise the content of this Policy if necessary in accordance with domestic or international Open Access trends and policies.

(Other)

7   Any other matters that are not set forth in this Policy, but which are necessary for Open Access, are determined through discussion among involved parties.