Guidance for Making Non-NIST Data Available Through NIST’s Data Management Infrastructure

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PURPOSE
This document establishes guidance for preserving and sharing awardees’ data through NIST’s data publication infrastructure.

APPLICABILITY
This guidance is provided for Federal Program Officers and other NIST staff who are responsible for grants and contracts that generate scientific research data.

REFERENCES
- NIST Policy 5700.00, Managing Public Access to Results of Federally Funded Research
- NIST O 5701.00, Managing Public Access to Results of Federally Funded Research
- NIST O 5702.00, Preservation and Maintenance of Published Research Data
- NIST PR 5702.01, Managing Public Access to External Research Funded by NIST
- Department of Commerce Grants and Cooperative Agreements Manual

GUIDANCE
According to the Special Award Conditions of their funding agreement, data preservation and sharing is the awardee’s responsibility. However, in some cases, the Federal Program Officer (FPO) may choose to make such data available through NIST’s data management infrastructure (i.e., MIDAS, the associated data repository, and the NIST Scientific Data Portal). This resource may be used for storage of non-NIST data that meet the following criteria:

1. The awardee is an individual researcher or research group.
2. The funding agreement gives NIST the right to make the data public.
3. The data has a high potential for re-use, and its continued availability is in NIST’s interest.
4. The FPO and his/her Division Chief agree that the data is of sufficient quality for NIST to make it public.

A NIST point of contact must be provided for the entry in MIDAS, and the following disclaimer must be included:

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NIST staff located at Joint Institutes and in Centers of Excellence must follow NIST directives for data preservation and distribution. Data produced by non-NIST staff at Joint Institutes and in Centers of Excellence other than federally funded research and development centers (FFRDCs) is expected to be preserved and distributed by those organizations in accordance with their Data Management Plans. NIST may choose to make copies of some or all data from Joint Institutes and Centers of Excellence, other than FFRDCs, available if it meets criteria 2 through 4 above and resources are available as determined by the Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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**APPENDICIES**

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