

National University Corporation Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Research Data Management Policy

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The Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (referred to as "University" below) has proclaimed, in our Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology Charter, that upon the base realized by 20th century society and science technology, TUAT strives toward achieving a society that enables sustainable development, and holds to the fundamental principles of contributing to the advancement of science and technology in harmony with society and the natural environment. TUAT also aims to cultivate human resources that will execute these principles when conducting free thought-based academic research in agriculture, engineering and integrated fields. In order to actualize these fundamental principles and ensure the appropriate management and public release of research data, as well as to promote making it available for use, the University has set forth the following research data management policy (referred to as "Policy" below).

(The definition of Research Data)

1. The term Research Data as used in the Policy refers to all information collected or generated in the process of the research activities of the University, and makes no distinction between digital or non-digital formats.

(Researcher scope)

2. The term "Researcher" in the Policy refers to an individual who is employed by the University and engages in research activities. However, individuals who do not have an employment relationship with the University (including students) are included, as long as they are conducting research activities at the University.

(Management of Research Data)

3. As a general rule, the individual who collects or generates the Research Data owns the rights to such and bears the responsibility to manage such. However, that individual must manage such within the scope of the law, the University rules, and any equivalents thereto, and in such a way as to not infringe upon the rights of another person or damage their legal interests.

(The roles and responsibilities of Researchers)

4. The Researcher shall appropriately store and manage the Research Data, and promote making it available for use, within the scope set forth in the previous clause, and in consideration of the unique characteristics, etc. of the research field. Concerning research conducted via public funding, the Researcher may publicly release the Research Data based on the judgment of the Researcher, if public release is possible, with caution given to the policy of the organization providing the funding, such as any obligations that are imposed.

(The roles and responsibilities of the University)

5. The University provides an environment to assist with the management and public release of Research Data, and with making it available for use.

(Other matters)

6. The University may review and revise this Policy in accordance with changes in the conditions surrounding academics, such as societal conditions.