Did you know that several publishers (e.g., PLoS, Nature, & Wiley) now have data sharing policies? A brief overview of these policies are below, plus resources available at IUB to help you comply. No time to figure it out on your own? Request a consult at iuswdata@indiana.edu or 812-855-5609, Jennifer Laherty. 
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PLoS (Public Library of Science) announced changes to its data policy this winter.

**You should know:** Effective March 1, 2014 authors must make all data underlying the findings described in their manuscript fully available without restriction. Authors must also submit a data availability statement that will appear on the first page of the published article. For more information, check out the PLoS Data Policy FAQ and a brief article.

**What you can do:** If you are considering submitting a manuscript to PLoS, think about how you will make your data available using IUPUI resources and develop a clear data availability statement that follows common practice in your field. If you are unsure what resources are available, email us for a consultation.

Nature Publishing Group recently changed its data availability policy as well.

**You Should Know:** Many publishers and individual journals now require supporting data for the findings reported to be made available to readers. Several ecology and evolutionary biology journals have an integrated submission policy with the repository Data Dryad.

**What you can do:** Next time you submit a manuscript, put the supporting data in a subject repository and IUScholarWorks to increase your impact and ensure the data are available when you need them.

Publishing in Data Journals

Several publishers are now offering data journals (Nature - Scientific Data, Wiley - Geoscience Data Journal, Ubiquity - Journal of Open Archaeology Data, Pensoft - Biodiversity Data Journal), dedicated to publishing data as a viable product of the research process. Other options for publishing your data that provide a peer-review process are listed at https://www.wiki.ed.ac.uk/display/datashare/Sources+of+dataset+peer+review.

**You Should Know:** Publishing data through a data journal does not necessarily prevent the publication of data analyses and research results in a traditional journal - along with a reference and links to the data journals paper.

**What you can do:** If you have valuable data you want to share, check out a more comprehensive list of data journals.