

# Thieme's Policy Regarding Institutional Repositories

Georg Thieme Verlag KG and the publishers that belong to the publishing group (the "Thieme Publishing Group") allow authors to archive their journal articles under the following terms and conditions.

## 1. Definitions

### Accepted Version

The version of the manuscript that was accepted for publication in a journal following peer review, i.e. including all the changes made in the course of the peer review.

### Published Journal Article

The version of the article published in a Thieme journal (online or print), which includes the journal name, publisher's name, and a DOI.

### Supplemental Data

Electronic files that accompany a Published Journal Article but do not appear in print, such as multimedia files, software routines, extended proofs.

### Institutional Repository

An Institutional Repository is a non-commercial set of online services that an institution (acting alone or in collaboration with others) offers for the management and dissemination of research material or other intellectual property created by the institution and its community members.

## 2. Rules and Regulations

- 2.1 Certain funding bodies require authors to post their final accepted manuscript on the funding body's repository following publication. Authors are responsible for ensuring that they fulfill the requirements of their funding bodies and comply with copyright laws.
- 2.2 No earlier than 12 months after the article was first published whether it was published online at [www.thieme-connect.com](http://www.thieme-connect.com), in some other Thieme produced electronic form, or in a print journal published by Thieme Publishing Group, authors may make the *Accepted Version* of their manuscript, including *Supplemental Data*, available on a non-commercial *Institutional Repository*.

The archived version must contain a reference to the copyright of the publisher and a link to the *Published Journal Article* in the e-journals system of the Thieme Publishing Group ([www.thieme-connect.com](http://www.thieme-connect.com)), if the article has been published online. The file format of the archived version shall be the same as the file format of the article submitted by the author (usually .doc), or any other file format that has been generated from this version (e.g., PDF).

- 2.3 As a general principle, Thieme Publishing Group will not accept material for publication in a journal that has previously been published elsewhere.
- 2.4 Authors will receive upon publication an electronic reprint of the Published Journal Article. This reprint may
  - be forwarded to colleagues or
  - be used on a personal webpage
  - be used on a webpage of the institution he is affiliated with.

Any further use shall be only permitted after prior written consent of Thieme.