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• “Used in [NSF’s] annual reports to Congress to demonstrate the Foundation’s performance.”
  • Accomplishments
    • Goals (normally unchanging)
    • Accomplishments (Activities, Objectives, Results, Outcomes – **at least one subsection**)
    • Opportunities for Training & Professional Development (Broader Impacts)
    • Dissemination (q.v., “Products”)
    • Plans (“Nothing to report” in final report)
    • Note: Supporting Files are for “images, tables, charts, or other graphics” – NOT the narrative!
  • Products (especially publications and patents) **acknowledging NSF support (including award ID)**
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- **Participants/Organizations**
  - Individuals (students, postdocs, senior personnel); person months worked (not paid)
  - **New** Update of Current & Pending Support (additions only, for PI/co-PI; distinct from pre-award update)
  - Other organizations/Other collaborators or contacts

- “These reports also provide NSF program officers and administrative offices with information on the progress of supported projects and the way these funds are used.”
  - Impacts (Highlights)
  - Changes/Problems (e.g., Facilitation Awards For Scientists And Engineers With Disabilities, FASED)

- “Information in these reports may be made available to the general public through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).”
KDC’s Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Checklist

- Accomplishments/Impacts (Including Broader Impacts; Highlights)
- Products (Publications, acknowledgements; some uniquely NSF)
- Participants (Postdoctoral Mentoring Plan)
- Changes/Problems
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Today’s Agenda

- Overview of Research.gov Project Reports
- Overview of the NSF Public Access Repository and recent updates
- Demo
Overview of Research.gov Project Reports

https://www.research.gov/research-web/content/aboutprojectreports

• Annual project reports are required for all standard and continuing grants and cooperative agreements.
• Final reports are required for all standard and continuing grants, cooperative agreements and fellowships.
• Interim project reports are not required and are used to update the progress of a project any time during or before the award period expires
• Public Outcome Reports (for the general public)
Overview of Research.gov Project Reports

• Only Principal Investigators (PIs) and co-PIs can create, edit and submit project reports
• Sponsored Projects Office (SPO) staff and administrative users with read-only access can view project reports
• All submitted annual and final reports must be approved by an NSF Program Officer to meet the submission requirements. Project Outcomes reports are not approved by NSF
NSF Project Reporting Reminders

• Annual Project Report (APR) is **due** during the 90 days prior to the end of the current budget period. This allows adequate time for the cognizant NSF Program Officer to review and approve the report prior to the start of the next budget period.

• APRs become **overdue** at the end of the budget period

• Final Project Report (FPR), which is the final APR of the project, and Project Outcomes Report for the General Public (POR) must be submitted NO LATER THAN 120 Days **following** the End Date. They are overdue on the 121st day.

• Reminder emails are sent 30, 60, 90 days preceding the end of the period.
Federal Awardee Performance Integrity Information System

- Federal awarding agencies are required to report overdue project reports at the time of award closeout.
- Starting with awards made after November 12, 2020: “if the grantee does not submit all performance reports within one year of the period of performance end date, NSF must report the grantee’s **material failure to comply** with the terms and conditions of the award with the OMB-designated integrity and performance system (currently FAPIIS).”
- The NSF Director recently issued an Important Notice (see [https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/issuances/in148.jsp](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/issuances/in148.jsp))
Public Access

https://beta.nsf.gov/public-access

• Does Public Access apply to me?

• If your organization receives an award based on a proposal submitted, or due, on or after January 25, 2016, then the Public Access requirement applies. You will then need to deposit publications in the NSF Public Access Repository (NSF-PAR) (sign in to Research.gov and choose 'Deposit Publication' from My Desktop).

• New – Deposit Datasets (this is voluntary)
Public Access (NSF-PAR) Datasets

• PI/co-PI(s) can now add datasets to the NSF-PAR repository and associate them with NSF Award IDs. This process:
  • Requires that the dataset was deposited in a repository that mints a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) with the DataCite registration agency.
  • Only stores the metadata – not the dataset itself – in the NSF-PAR repository.
  • Does not automatically populate in-progress project reports as publications.
  • Is a pilot run of the dataset workflow to receive feedback from PI/co-PI(s) given concerns over increasing administrative burden and underlying questions regarding the frequency and practices of PI/co-PI(s) in depositing datasets at all.

• This does not change FY22 reporting requirements.
  • PI/co-PI(s) can already report on datasets without going through NSF-PAR.
Results of adding to NSF-PAR

• The dataset is immediately searchable in the NSF-PAR search (par.nsf.gov)

• The dataset does not populate in-progress project reports at this time

• Work is underway to implement:
  • Removing datasets from NSF-PAR
  • Auto-populate in-progress project reports with the ability to remove them from the report
  • Removing NSF-PAR datasets from in-progress project reports
New workflow for adding datasets

1. New landing page and product type selection
2. Enter DOI to retrieve metadata and confirm
New workflow for adding datasets

3. Select associated NSF Award for dataset

4. Add Dataset - Confirmation

- Your Dataset with NSF-PAR ID <number> has been successfully added for processing.

Note:
- At this time, NSF-PAR does not automatically add datasets to your in-progress project reports.
Next CHE Office Hour

April 22, 2022 4 PM – 5PM EDT

NSF and NIH-NIGMS Funding Opportunities for Early CareerInvestigators

The Division of Chemistry (CHE) and the Division of Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry (PPBC) at the NIH National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) will jointly host a virtual office hour to provide an overview of NIH and NSF funding opportunities (e.g., CAREER and MIRA, respectively) that are available for early-stage investigators who do research in areas supported by either Division. A brief presentation will be followed by a Q&A session where participants can ask specific questions.

Pre-registration is required using this link: https://nsf.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJItdOuvpzosGDQu5amIH9pD4CceMpJ9cek

Suggest Office Hour topics at cheminfo@nsf.gov.