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## THE OPEN ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE (OAK) LAW PROJECT REPORT NO. 1

*Creating a legal framework for copyright management of open  
access within the Australian academic and research sector*

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The OAK Law Project Report investigates a legal framework that supports open access to Australian academic and research outputs such as articles and electronic theses and dissertations. The Report explains that with the rise of networked digital technologies our knowledge landscape and innovation system is increasingly reliant on best practice copyright management strategies.