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Subject: Scrap the peer review requirement

Dear OMB,

I strongly recommend that you do not institute the peer review requirement for scientific and technological developments. Publications in scientific journals already undergo peer review before being published. Requiring such review on other sorts of information sharing will greatly restrict the flow of scientific ideas between individuals who may utilize the information in their own work. Government has too many regulations already in place, often discouraging creative and innovative thinking and research. This new requirement would only serve to inhibit research and communication among scientists. Dissemination of information should be expedited, not squelched!

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