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**CONTEXT**

The importance of a repository manager being aware of their repository’s statistics can be summarized into four main reasons: a) statistics indicate the level of exposure of the research conducted in an institution; b) they can serve as information regarding the return on investment both for the conducted research and the maintenance of the repository¹; c) in some subject fields they can verify an increase in the citation rate of the papers²; and, d) they are a signal for prospective citations³.

We have integrated into the CORE Repositories Dashboard, a content management tool designed for repository managers, the IRUS-CORE statistics. Currently, 104 repositories participate in IRUS-UK project, which are also harvested by CORE.

IRUS-UK exposes the repository statistics via SUSHI (Standardized Usage Statistics Harvesting Initiative) protocol. SUSHI exposes statistical data in a way that allows automated harvesting and processing. CORE utilises this system for presenting the data in the Dashboard.

**FUTURE WORK**

Further work involves the provision of the data at an article level as currently CORE only provides the total count of the repository as an entity.

**REFERENCES**


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