The uptake of the CORE Recommender in repositories

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CONTEXT
CORE, an aggregation service with 76 million metadata and 6 million full-text records that harvests over 2,450 repositories and 6,000 open access journals from all over the world, has released a new version of its recommender. The purpose of the recommender is to improve the discoverability of research outputs by providing suggestions for similar research papers. With this plugin, CORE aims to assist users on discovering a wide range of Open Access scientific publications easily and advance the repositories’ functionality by enabling them to offer recommendations of similar articles, hosted both within the collection of the repository and on CORE.

BENEFITS OF USING THE CORE RECOMMENDER
Based on the fact that CORE harvests open repositories, the recommender displays only research articles where the full text is available as Open Access. CORE’s goal is to increase its harvesting collection, offer even more recommendations of open access research papers and promote the widest discoverability and distribution of Open Access scientific literature. We consider the success in the adoption of the recommender important for the scholarly communications landscape, especially nowadays, where there is a high dependency in similar commercial instances which often recommend content behind a paywall that is expensive to acquire and with no re-use rights.

HOW TO INSTALL THE RECOMMENDER
The EPrints plugin can be found on the EPrints Bazaar. For the rest of the repositories, open access journals and websites it can be installed by simply inserting a short Javascript code snippet.

To install the recommender go to https://core.ac.uk/services#recommender

An instance of the recommender on Eprints (White Rose Research Online)

UK Repositories with recommender installations