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Digital **Resources**

Knowledge Base+ (KB+): Streamline your e-resource management

Providing e-resources represents significant investment of time and effort from acquisition to licensing and management. But libraries are rightly concerned over duplicated and wasted effort across the institution in managing these processes.

Moreover, librarians, library system vendors and others in the supply chain often complain about the difficulty of accessing reliable and accurate information for the knowledge bases that underpin so many library systems and services. The answers should be there, but finding them can be challenging.

As a shared service, KB+ saves librarians time and effort, by moving a number of these functions to the national level, and by facilitating more effective management of the information.

"We treat KB+ as the single source of truth... if it's in KB+, that's where you start"
Librarian

Why use KB+?

Specifically designed to meet the needs of today's library and information professionals, the service enables you to:

» Save time maintaining and correcting information when you use the automatically updated, accurate title lists we make available

» Benchmark your own usage and data against other similar libraries to help spot trends and predict user behaviour

» Manage your subscriptions in one place, right down to the detail of tracking dates, formats and so on

» Share key information on subscriptions, licences and resources automatically with relevant teams in your organisation, cutting down the time you have to deal directly with multiple individual queries

» Enjoy more seamless transfer of information between your organisation and the publishers and agents you deal with

» Use the information to provide a better service to students, researchers and staff, whether it's giving them more access to previously procured journals, or making more strategic decisions about renewals

» Export your subscription data on various link resolvers formats, so staff don't need to duplicate work

» Identify overlapping subscriptions and alternative packages that might include a specific title

Through access to this reliable and accurate data, we can support libraries in their analysis and evaluation of e-resources, increasing confidence in procurement decisions. Importantly this helps libraries demonstrate the value of their resources to the wider institution.

What are the benefits to my organisation?

» Reap savings in time and money, and enable your staff to concentrate on data analysis rather than data collation

» More confident decision-making, based on standardised and trustworthy data

» Join the conversation to help UK-wide consortia such as Jisc to secure the best possible resources for learning and research providers, based on empirical evidence on usage and trends

"Over the last two years we've made efficiencies. [KB+] has made decisions more informed – we know why we're renewing. Before KB+ and JUSP, this kind of work would have taken weeks rather than a few days."
Librarian

Who can use this service?

If you are interested in signing up to KB+, please contact **knowledgebaseplus@jisc.ac.uk** and we'll discuss it with you directly.

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