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Perpetual Access Rights Reports (Serials) – Scope and Report Layout

Scope

To ensure a comprehensive capture of members' perpetual access rights, the reports cover all CRKN licenses with eleven major publishers, back to the first agreements negotiated in 2001. Where applicable, backfile or archive purchases via CRKN licenses are also included.

- American Chemical Society (ACS)
- Canadian Science Publishing (CSP)
- Cambridge University Press (CUP)
- Elsevier ScienceDirect (ELS)
- Institute of Physics Publishing (IOP)
- Oxford University Press (OUP)
- Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)
- SAGE (SAGE)
- SpringerNature (SPG)
- Taylor & Francis (TF)
- Wiley (WIL)

Generally, where members accrue perpetual access rights via a CRKN agreement, all participating members accrue rights to the same titles. Exceptionally, where members may accrue rights according to individual title lists, this is accounted for and reflected in a member's individual entitlements column. If there are unusual or unique circumstances for a particular member's rights to a certain title or collection, this may be indicated specifically as a coverage exception, with additional details in a separate tab within the report.

Report Layout

Each CRKN report generally only covers a single publisher. If a title moves between publishers and CRKN members have rights with both publishers, a title may appear in two separate reports for two different coverage periods.

The reports include a main *PA-Rights* tab which includes title metadata for each journal with perpetual access rights for at least one CRKN member. As rights generally accrue on a calendar year basis, each year is a separate row in the report. Each member has an individual entitlements column which records their specific rights, including any unique circumstances (“coverage exceptions”).

Additional tabs provide contextual information:

Glossary

This tab provides a definition for the terms in each subsequent tab.

Context

This tab provides a brief overview of the project and publisher context. In particular, information about the licensed materials, current and previous accrual terms for perpetual access rights, and any relevant additional information.

Agreement Codes

This tab lists the agreement codes used in the main *PA-Rights* tab to identify the agreement under which specific perpetual access rights were accrued. Where available, a link to the license profile on the CRK website is included. The license profile (login required) includes detailed information about the terms of an agreement and a copy of the license agreement in full, as well as any relevant title lists.

Title History

This tab records any title changes for a journal. In the report, perpetual access rights for a given year should be recorded under the journal’s name at that time. Therefore, it is important to be able to track title changes over time to see the full range of entitlements to a particular journal.

- * Note that this is one of the more complex parts of the title metadata for this project that will likely require further updates; while there should not be any gaps because of incomplete title history, entitlements for a given year may be recorded under a more recent title. Unfortunately, title history is not always readily available information and many publishers report access and coverage periods under the current title only.

Coverage Exceptions

This tab records details about any unusual or unique rights accrual where the title metadata in the *PA-Rights* tab may not fully apply to explain a particular member’s entitlements. E.g. a member participates in a smaller subset of the collection only; a member purchased archive rights in a different year/different agreement than what is indicated in the agreement-code field.

Please don’t hesitate to reach out to the CRKN team and the KBESC with any questions, by contacting licensing@crkn.ca.