AAAS/*Science* e-Resources are COUNTER 3 Compliant

COUNTER 3 Now Available for:

- *Science*
- *Science* Classic
- *Science Signaling*
- *Science Translational Medicine*

Key Features and Benefits

Incorporation of the SUSHI Protocol

The SUSHI (Standardized Usage Statistics Harvesting Initiative) protocol facilitates the handling of large volumes of usage data by automating the collection of COUNTER 3 Usage Reports, which the librarian otherwise has to manually download from various vendor websites. The automatic retrieval via SUSHI means a much less time consuming process for the librarian.

If you have an electronic resource management (ERM) system at your library, you just have to manually input the connection information for your SUSHI compliant vendor who delivers your COUNTER 3 Usage Reports to be able to retrieve reports in SUSHI format. If you don't have an ERM system that supports SUSHI, you will need to purchase a system to be able to set up SUSHI. Your system vendor will be able to collect reports via SUSHI from your SUSHI compliant vendor.

For more information, visit
http://www.niso.org/workrooms/sushi

Usage Reports Available in XML Format

In accordance with the COUNTER XML schema that is specified in the SUSHI protocol, COUNTER 3 Usage Reports are now also provided in XML format, in addition to the existing prescribed formats: Microsoft Excel, CSV, and HTML.

Expanded List of Definitions

Release 3 of COUNTER Codes of Practice offers an expanded list of definitions. The new terms include Institutional Identifier, Cache, Automated and Federated Search, Internet Robot, Crawler, Spider, Sectioned HTML, and Non-textual Resources.

For a complete list, visit
ProjectCOUNTER.org (see Release 3, Appendix A)

Robot and Crawler Generated Activity Excluded from Reports

Any search from an Internet robot or crawler, as well as LOCKSS and similar caches, which COUNTER 3 identifies as such, will be excluded from the usage statistics.

For a complete list of Internet robots, visit
ProjectCOUNTER.org (see Release 3, Appendix K).

NOTE: Site Licensees who wish to use an automated computer program to search, index, test, download, or grab information from the Licensed Materials (including but not limited to web robots, spiders, and crawlers) must register with AAAS and sign a separate License to Crawl. Unregistered robots, spiders, or crawlers will be blocked so as to prevent any negative impact on AAAS's server or on the use of the Licensed Materials by others.

COUNTER 3 Usage Reports for all AAAS/*Science* e-resources are released on, or shortly after, the 15th of each month, reflecting the previous month's usage.

Visit our Librarian Portal at **ScienceOnline.org/librarians** for step-by-step instructions on how to navigate your COUNTER 3 Usage Reports (click COUNTER 3 Usage Reports in the side bar menu and choose the manual for either institutions or consortia).

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