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Complutense Library. The digital collections in open access

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The library of the Complutense University has been building digital collections since the mid-1990s. The first project, the "Biblioteca Digital Dioscórides", begun with the cooperation of a Spanish NGO and GlaxoSmthKline. A second project, the "Archivo Institucional E-prints Complutense", contains theses from the university since 2001, plus additional articles, books and book chapters, and conference papers. A third project has digitized all articles by 65 scientific journals published at the Complutense University. In September 2006 the Complutense University signed an

agreement to Google to digitize our books that are in the public domain and no longer under copyright. We become the first non-Anglo-Saxon Google partner.



- Only books in the public domain will be scanned at Complutense Library. In Spain, copyright extends for 70 years following the death of the author.
- The project will dramatically increase Internet access to the holdings of Complutense University Library, from the Google Book Search and from the library web.
- The project, which is one of several collaborations between Google and major research libraries, will bring millions of works to the Web.

offers public access in Internet to an historical collection of great value for the history of science and the humanities:

Biblioteca Digital Dioscórides

■ 2.670 digitized books from 16th century to 19th century.

■ 40.000 engravings.



Archivo Institucional

E-prints Complutense. An institutional repository according to OAI-PMH standards. It contains 4.296 e-prints. Most of them are theses and dissertations. The software is E-prints (University of Southampton).

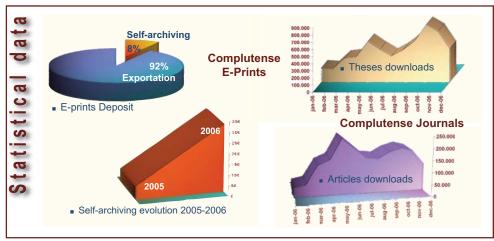
- How is the deposit?:
 - Self-archiving: The authors deposit the eprints. Librarians check and complete the metadata.
 - The library exports theses and their metadata to the repository.
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Portal de Revistas Científicas Complutenses. 22.689 articles in open access by 65 scientific journals published by Complutense University. Only some journals have an embargo of last issue.



The self-archiving is rising in the E-prints Complutense. However is absolutely necessary to have an

institutional policy and incentives to the authors who deposit their works in the repository.



