

# How To Cite CorText Manager

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## 1 Introduction

Software and Platform availability play a fundamental role in scientific activities and front of knowledge development. It concerns many disciplines, interdisciplinary research and open-sciences. Software, services, datasets and IT assets are more and more assembled in research infrastructures. There is need to up-grade the impact and radical empowerment of those application and infrastructure on science dynamics, and thus to recognize Software and Infrastructure for research as a first class product. This means to generate academic credit and encourage researchers, engineers and their organizations to be more involved in the support and recognition of software and platforms for science [1].

The European policy of research infrastructure plays a key-role and tend to accelerate this development and also foster the professionalization of infrastructure technology and management. But the engagement of scientists and engineers in software and platform architecture needs to be recongnized as a key contribution to on-going and future dynamics of Science and Innovation in Societies.

One key issue in this dynamic is the function of software as key assets for new front of knowledge. This point has been and -still is- a matter of debates, such as how to apply the FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable) principles to software [6], and proposals such as the Citation File Format (CFF) [4], a YAML format for describing software metadata, or CodeMeta [5], a JSON-LD conceptual vocabulary for software repositories interoperability.

Many of these proposals are built around debates centered on the software citation principles [7], summarized below:

**Importance:** Software should be considered a legitimate and citable product of research.

**Credit and attribution:** Software citations should facilitate giving scholarly credit and recognizing.

**Unique identification:** A software citation should include a globally unique identification.

**Persistence:** Unique identifiers and metadata describing the software should persist.

**Accessibility:** Software citations should facilitate access to the software itself and to its metadata.

**Specificity:** Software citations should facilitate identification of the specific version of software that was used.

Based on these principles and taking some of the more recent proposals on how to cite software, here follows a proposal of how the CorText Manager as a on line application or software should be cited in academic papers.

## 2 Cite CorText Manager with BibL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Within the general issue expose in section 1, this note intend to normalize the format of how the CorText Manager should be cited when it is accounted as a software being developed and delivered as a online application for scientific work by others.

When cited the format of citation is to be clearly defined as shown hereunder [2] is displayed in the bibliographic references. This example uses the data described in the file *biblatex-software.bib*. This format is the one recommended to cite CorText Manager in an appropriate way.

### References to Software development (example)

- [2] [SW] Philippe Breucker et al., *CorText Manager* version v2 (Coord.by Marc Barbier and Lionel Villard), Dec. 1, 2020. Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Sciences Innovations Sociétés (LISIS). URL: <https://www.cortext.net> (visited on 01/31/2022), VCS: <https://github.com/cortext/how-to-cite-cortext>.

### 2.1 BibL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X file

Below you see the content of the BibL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X file *biblatex-software.bib* with the BibL<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Software extension[8].

```
@software{cortext_manager_v2,  
  title = {CorText Manager},  
  author = {Philippe Breucker and Juan-Pablo Ospina Delgado  
    and Guillaume Orsal and Luis-Daniel Medina and Jean-Philippe Cointet  
    and Cristian Martinez and Alexandre Hannud Abdo and Morton Fox  
    and Constance de Quatrebarbes and Tam-Kien Duong and Diego-Fernando Gómez Peña  
    and Tatiana Andrea Sánchez Castaño and Joenio Marques da Costa
```

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    },
    abstract = {Cortext Manager is a data analysis platform for citizens
        and researchers in the social sciences and humanities},
    date = {2020-12-01},
    month = {12},
    year = {2020},
    editor = {Marc Barbier and Lionel Villard},
    institution = {Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Sciences Innovations
        Sociétés (LISIS)},
    version = {v2},
    url = {https://www.cortext.net},
    urldate = {2022-01-31},
    repository = {https://github.com/cortext/how-to-cite-cortext},
}

```

When using this file you can see the result of reference format citing CorText Manager [2] on the references section of this document.

### 3 Cite CorText Manager with Bib<sub>T</sub><sub>E</sub>X

#### References (example)

- [3] Philippe Breucker et al. *CorText Manager*. Dec. 2020. URL: <https://managerv2.cortext.net>.

#### 3.1 Bib<sub>T</sub><sub>E</sub>X file

Below you see the content of the Bib<sub>T</sub><sub>E</sub>X file *bibtex.bib*, this file is created from *CITATION.cff* converted by *cffconvert* tool.

```

@misc{cortext_manager_v2_bibtex,
  keywords = {cortext},
  author = {Breucker, Philippe and Ospina Delgado, Juan-Pablo and
    Orsal, Guillaume and Medina, Luis-Daniel and Cointet, Jean-Philippe
    and Martinez, Cristian and Hannud Abdo, Alexandre and Fox, Morton
    and de Quatrebarbes, Constance and Duong, Tam-Kien and Gómez Peña,
    Diego-Fernando and Andrea Sánchez Castaño, Tatiana and Marques da
    Costa, Joenio},
  month = {12},
  title = {CorText Manager},
  url = {https://managerv2.cortext.net},
  year = {2020}
}

```

When using this file you can see the result of reference format citing CorText Manager [3] on the references section of this document.

## 4 CorText Manager metadata

The CorText Manager metadata for academic citation is being maintained mainly in two files:

**CITATION.cff** Citation File Format (CFF) file with metadata about the software CorText Manager, this file is the main file to centralize all metadata required for citation.

**biblatex-software.bib** BibLaTeX file with Software extension, this file is a transcription of all informations from the *CITATION.cff* file.

The example on Section 2 was generated by using the file *biblatex-software.bib*, besides those two files there are some other files that must be described:

**codemeta.json** CodeMeta file generated from *CITATION.cff* by the *cffconvert* tool, this file is a machine-readable file in a interchangeable JSON-LD format.

**bibtex.bib** BibTeX file generated from *CITATION.cff* by the *cffconvert* tool, this file is useful for whom is using BibTeX as referencing system.

The example on Section 3 was generated by using the *bibtex.bib* file, instructions on how to update those files can be found at *AUTHORS.md* document.

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