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Evaluation Criteria for Digital library Software

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Criteria	Excellent	Good	Sufficient	Insufficient	Comment
<i>System Requirements & System Support</i>					
Flexibility (support for various formats)			X		Does not support windows OS
Support for latest technology			X		Has connection with other search engines
Compatibility with other software	X				Applications can be built on top of CDSware
Installation support	X				Provides detailed documentation for each of the systems it supports
Frequency of version updates		X			Constant updates but not frequent enough
<i>Design & User Friendliness</i>					
Simplicity and use of the software		X			Retrieved documents appear on first screen in simple and customizable format
How configurable is the software	X				Highly customizable
How well are the support/help features and services implemented		X			Offers free documentation support but also paid support (support is not

					completely free)
Are the extra features sufficient	X				Long term preservation, handles multi-lingual interface, high speed search, multiple output formats and more
Accessibility of the software	X				It is an open source software
<i>Search & Retrieval Features</i>					
Search simplicity	X				Customizable for a simple search
Advanced search features	X				Customizable for a advanced search
Ease of use	X				Powerful, easy to use search engine
Information organization	X				Handles various types of objects & has a customizable display.
Browsing features		X			Documents organized in collections and provides tree view features
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<i>Preservation Features</i>					

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Allow preservation	X				Provides long term preservation
How well can articles be preserved	X				Records identification don't change (preserves as long as system exists)
Ease of access of preserved material	X				open access and has a powerful search engine that easily retrieves information
How easy is it to preserve material	X				Automatically converts text to pdf (open source)
Is the preserved material in an accessible format (PDF)	X				Automatically converts text to pdf (open source)