

# Package ‘rcoreoa’

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**Title** Client for the CORE API

**Description** Client for the CORE API (<<https://core.ac.uk/docs/>>).  
CORE (<<https://core.ac.uk/>>) aggregates open access research  
outputs from repositories and journals worldwide and make them  
available to the public.

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## Description

CORE is a web service for metadata on scholarly journal articles. Find CORE at <https://core.ac.uk> and their API docs at <https://core.ac.uk/docs/>.

## Package API

Each API endpoint has two functions that interface with it - a higher level interface and a lower level interface. The lower level functions have an underscore (`_`) at the end of the function name, while their corresponding higher level companions do not. The higher level functions parse to `list/data.frame`'s (as tidy as possible). Lower level functions give back JSON (character class) thus are slightly faster not spending time on parsing to R structures.

- `core_articles()` / `core_articles_()` - get article metadata
- `core_articles_history()` / `core_articles_history_()` - get article history metadata
- `core_articles_pdf()` / `core_articles_pdf_()` - download article PDF, and optionally extract text
- `core_journals()` / `core_journals_()` - get journal metadata
- `core_repos()` / `core_repos_()` - get repository metadata
- `core_repos_search()` / `core_repos_search_()` - search for repositories
- `core_search()` / `core_search_()` - search articles
- `core_advanced_search()` / `core_advanced_search_()` - advanced search of articles

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 core\_advanced\_search *Advanced Search CORE*


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**Description**

Advanced Search CORE

**Usage**

```
core_advanced_search(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL,
  parse = TRUE, ...)
```

```
core_advanced_search_(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

query	data.frame, required (details for structure)
page	(character) page number (default: 1), optional
limit	(character) records to return (default: 10, minimum: 10), optional
key	A IUCN API token
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [curl::HttpClient()]

**Details**

query should include columns with the following information (at least one is required):

1. all\_of\_the\_words: string, with space separated terms that should all exist in target document(s)
2. exact\_phrase: string, used as an absolute match in comparison with all\_of\_the\_words
3. at\_least\_one\_of\_the\_words: string, with space separated terms of which at least one should exist in target document(s)
4. without\_the\_words: string, with space separated terms of which none should exist in target document(s)
5. find\_those\_words: 3 available options, a. "anywhere in the article" (default), b. "in the title", c. "in the title and abstract" to either do a fulltext search, a title only or a title and abstract respectively
6. author: string, to be used as an absolute match against the author name metadata field
7. publisher: string, to be used as an absolute match against the publisher name metadata field
8. repository: string, to be used as an absolute match against the repository name metadata field
9. doi: string, to be used as an absolute match against the repository name metadata field (all other fields will be ignored if included)

10. year\_from: string, to filter target document(s) publisher earlier than indicated
11. year\_to: string, to filter target document(s) publisher later than indicated core\_advanced\_search does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_advanced\_search\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

### Value

data.frame with the following columns: status: string, which will be 'OK' or 'Not found' or 'Too many queries' or 'Missing parameter' or 'Invalid parameter' or 'Parameter out of bounds' totalHits: integer, Total number of items matching the search criteria data: list, a list of relevant resources

### Examples

```
## Not run:
query <- data.frame(
  "all_of_the_words" = c("data mining", "machine learning"),
  "without_the_words" = c("social science", "medicine"),
  "year_from" = c("2013", "2000"),
  "year_to" = c("2014", "2016"))

res <- core_advanced_search(query)
head(res$data)
res$data[[1]]$id

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_articles

*Get articles*

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### Description

Get articles

### Usage

```
core_articles(id, metadata = TRUE, fulltext = FALSE, citations = FALSE,
  similar = FALSE, duplicate = FALSE, urls = FALSE,
  extractedUrls = FALSE, faithfulMetadata = FALSE, key = NULL,
  method = "GET", parse = TRUE, ...)
```

```
core_articles_(id, metadata = TRUE, fulltext = FALSE, citations = FALSE,
  similar = FALSE, duplicate = FALSE, urls = FALSE,
  extractedUrls = FALSE, faithfulMetadata = FALSE, key = NULL,
  method = "GET", ...)
```

**Arguments**

id	(integer) CORE ID of the article that needs to be fetched. Required
metadata	Whether to retrieve the full article metadata or only the ID. Default: TRUE
fulltext	Whether to retrieve full text of the article. Default: FALSE
citations	Whether to retrieve citations found in the article. Default: FALSE
similar	Whether to retrieve a list of similar articles. Default: FALSE Because the similar articles are calculated on demand, setting this parameter to true might slightly slow down the response time query boolean
duplicate	Whether to retrieve a list of CORE IDs of different versions of the article. Default: FALSE
urls	Whether to retrieve a list of URLs from which the article can be downloaded. This can include links to PDFs as well as HTML pages. Default: FALSE
extractedUrls	Whether to retrieve a list of URLs which were extracted from the article fulltext. Default: FALSE. This parameter is not available in CORE API v2.0 beta
faithfulMetadata	Whether to retrieve the raw XML metadata of the article. Default: FALSE
key	A IUCN API token
method	(character) one of 'GET' (default) or 'POST'
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [curl::HttpClient()]

**Details**

core\_articles does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_articles\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

These functions take one article ID at a time. Use lapply/loops/etc for many ids

**References**

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/articles/getArticleByCoreIdBatch> <https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/articles/getArticleByCoreId>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
core_articles(id = 21132995)
core_articles(id = 21132995, similar = TRUE)
core_articles(id = 21132995, fulltext = TRUE)
core_articles(id = 21132995, citations = TRUE)

ids <- c(20955435, 21132995, 21813171, 22815670, 14045109, 23828884,
        23465055, 23831838, 23923390, 22559733)
res <- lapply(ids, core_articles)
vapply(res, "[", "", c("data", "datePublished"))
```

```
# post request
res <- core_articles(ids, method = "POST")
head(res$data)
res$data$authors

# just http request, get text back
core_articles_(id = '21132995')
## POST, can pass many at once
core_articles_(id = ids, method = "POST")

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_articles\_history *Get article history*

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## Description

Get article history

## Usage

```
core_articles_history(id, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL,
  parse = TRUE, ...)
```

```
core_articles_history_(id, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

id	(integer) CORE ID of the article that needs to be fetched. Required
page	(character) page number (default: 1), optional
limit	(character) records to return (default: 10, minimum: 10), optional
key	A IUCN API token
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [curl::HttpClient()]

## Details

core\_articles\_history does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_articles\_history\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

These functions take one article ID at a time. Use lapply/loops/etc for many ids

## References

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/articles/getArticleHistoryByCoreId>

## Examples

```
## Not run:
core_articles_history(id = '21132995')

ids <- c(20955435, 21132995, 21813171, 22815670, 14045109, 23828884,
        23465055, 23831838, 23923390, 22559733)
res <- lapply(ids, core_articles_history)
vapply(res, function(z) z$data$datetime[1], "")

# just http request, get text back
core_articles_history_('21132995')

## End(Not run)
```

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core_articles_pdf	<i>Download article pdf</i>
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## Description

Download article pdf

## Usage

```
core_articles_pdf(id, key = NULL, overwrite = TRUE, parse = TRUE, ...)
core_articles_pdf_(id, key = NULL, overwrite = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

id	(integer) CORE ID of the article that needs to be fetched. Required
key	A IUCN API token
overwrite	(logical) overwrite file or not. Default: TRUE
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [curl::HttpClient()]

## Details

core\_articles\_history does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_articles\_history\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

These functions take one article ID at a time. Use lapply/loops/etc for many ids

## References

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/articles/getArticlePdfByCoreId>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# just http request, get file path back
core_articles_pdf_(11549557)

# get paper and parse to text
core_articles_pdf(11549557)

ids <- c(11549557, 385071)
res <- lapply(ids, core_articles_pdf)
vapply(res, "[[", "", 1)

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_journals

*Get journal via its ISSN*


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**Description**

Get journal via its ISSN

**Usage**

```
core_journals(id, key = NULL, method = "GET", parse = TRUE, ...)
core_journals_(id, key = NULL, method = "GET", ...)
core_repos_(id, key = NULL, method = "GET", ...)
```

**Arguments**

id	(integer) One or more journal ISSNs. Required
key	A IUCN API token
method	(character) one of 'GET' (default) or 'POST'
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [crul::HttpClient()]

**Details**

core\_journals does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_journals\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

These functions take one article ID at a time. Use lapply/loops/etc for many ids



## References

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/journals/getJournalByIssnBatch> <https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/journals/getJournalByIssn>

## Examples

```
## Not run:
core_journals(id = '2167-8359')

ids <- c("2167-8359", "1471-2105", "2050-084X")
res <- lapply(ids, core_journals)
vapply(res, "[[", "", c("data", "title"))

# just http request, get text back
core_journals_('2167-8359')

# post request, ideal for lots of ISSNs
if (requireNamespace("rcrossref", quietly = TRUE)) {
  library(rcrossref)
  res <- lapply(c("bmc", "peerj", "elife", "plos", "frontiers"), function(z)
    cr_journals(query = z))
  ids <- unlist(lapply(res, function(b) b$data$issn))
  out <- core_journals(ids, method = "POST")
  head(out)
}

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_repos

*Get repositories via their repository IDs*

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## Description

Get repositories via their repository IDs

## Usage

```
core_repos(id, key = NULL, method = "GET", parse = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

id	(integer) One or more repository IDs. Required
key	A IUCN API token
method	(character) one of 'GET' (default) or 'POST'
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [crul::HttpClient()]

**Details**

core\_repos does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_repos\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

These functions take one article ID at a time. Use lapply/loops/etc for many ids

**References**

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/repositories/getRepositoryById> <https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/repositories/getRepositoryByIdBatch>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
core_repos(id = 507)
core_repos(id = 444)

ids <- c(507, 444, 70)
res <- lapply(ids, core_repos)
vapply(res, "[[", "", c("data", "name"))

# just http request, get json as character vector back
core_repos_(507)

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_repos\_search      *Search CORE repositories*

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**Description**

Search CORE repositories

**Usage**

```
core_repos_search(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, parse = TRUE,
  ...)
```

**Arguments**

query	(character) query string, required
page	(character) page number (default: 1), optional
limit	(character) records to return (default: 10, minimum: 10), optional
key	A IUCN API token
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'
...	Curl options passed to [crul::HttpClient()]

**Details**

core\_repos\_search does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_repos\_search\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

A POST method is allowed on this route, but it's not supported yet.

**References**

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/repositories/search>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
core_repos_search(query = 'mathematics')
core_repos_search(query = 'physics', parse = FALSE)
core_repos_search(query = 'pubmed')

core_repos_search_(query = 'pubmed')
library("jsonlite")
jsonlite::fromJSON(core_repos_search_(query = 'pubmed'))

## End(Not run)
```

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core\_repos\_search\_      *Search CORE*

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**Description**

Search CORE

**Usage**

```
core_repos_search_(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, ...)
```

```
core_search(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, parse = TRUE, ...)
```

```
core_search_(query, page = 1, limit = 10, key = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

query	(character) query string, required
page	(character) page number (default: 1), optional
limit	(character) records to return (default: 10, minimum: 10), optional
key	A IUCN API token
...	Curl options passed to [curl::HttpClient()]
parse	(logical) Whether to parse to list ('FALSE') or data.frame ('TRUE'). Default: 'TRUE'

## Details

core\_search does the HTTP request and parses, while core\_search\_ just does the HTTP request, gives back JSON as a character string

## References

<https://core.ac.uk/docs/#!/all/search>

## Examples

```
## Not run:
core_search(query = 'ecology')
core_search(query = 'ecology', parse = FALSE)
core_search(query = 'ecology', limit = 12)

core_search_(query = 'ecology')
library("jsonlite")
jsonlite::fromJSON(core_search_(query = 'ecology'))

query <- c('data mining', 'machine learning', 'semantic web')

# post request
res <- core_search(query)
head(res$data)
res$data$id

## End(Not run)
```

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