

# What IF or Article Level Metrics does not tell you...

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This weekend there was the really nice [Science Commons Symposium](#), which I virtually attended, and there is an interesting discussion at [FriendFeed on article level metrics](#).

Now, I just reported on the [CDK functionality used in published research](#). Linking this to impact, the CDK with 115 citations now (both papers, [nice increase from 2006](#)) is not doing bad. But the real impact goes further than the direct citations. The [BRENDA enzyme database](#) is one of the project where CDK functionality is (was?) used, and the matching papers (doi:[10.1093/nar/gkh081](#) and pmid:[11752250](#)) have been cited 241 times. Surely, BRENDA does very much more than just the used CDK functionality.

But, in my opinion it does something about the impact of the CDK too. What do you think? Should these counts be included in the article level metrics too? I am almost tempted to even pose that those counts are more interesting than the number of blog replies...

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