

Publication Item Types (PITs)

PITs: Book article publication item types

The attribute `docsubtype` of the top-level elements of the book DTD contains the publication item type of the book chapter or book hub. Its possible values are listed here. By convention the value of `docsubtype` are in lowercase. Example: `<chapter docsubtype="ack">`

List of PITs for BK DTD

PIT	Short	Description
ack	Acknowledgments	Acknowledgments, in the front matter of a book.
app	Appendix	An appendix pertaining to the book as a whole (as opposed to one to a single chapter) found in the rear matter of a book.
bcc	Back cover copy	To be used for the text for the back cover. The back cover text is not reviewed by editors and does not appear in the table of contents but may be presented online. This type allows a consistent workflow for sending and tracking the text used for the back cover.
bib	Bibliography	The list of references that pertain to the book as a whole (as opposed to references that may be part of an individual chapter) and that will be found in a separate section, usually in the rear matter of the book.
bio	Biography	Biographies, in the front matter of a book.

bk	Elsevier book	The PIT required for the top element that captures the basic structure of the book.
chp	Chapter	Individual chapter.
com	Comprehensive	One of the two principal types of Elsevier major reference works.
con	Contents list	The table of contents of a book.
cop	Copyright	The copyright page as an item.
ctr	Contributors	List of contributors in the front matter of a book.
dct	Dictionary	Added for future expansion.
ded	Dedication	Part of a book's frontmatter thanking persons not directly involved with the research described in the book for their contribution.
dup	Duplicate	Tombstone chapter, duplicate of a published chapter. (Refer The Tombstone Procedure)
edb	Editorial board	List containing the scientific editors, the managing and executive editors, the board of directors, etc., of the publication.
enc	Encyclopedia	One of the two principal types of Elsevier major reference works.
eoc	Expression of Concern	An Expression of Concern sits somewhere between an Erratum and a Retraction and allows authors or editors to point out a minor form of scientific misconduct such as failure to fully report a conflict of interest.

exm	Examination	List of review questions and answers in case these are found as a separate section, outside a chapter.
for	Foreword	Introductory text in the front matter of a book.
gls	Glossary	List in which specific terminology used in the book is explained. Only used in cases where this is found as a separate section, outside a chapter, in rear matter only.
htu	How to use	Part of the front matter of a book that may be used to capture a disclaimer text.
idx	Index	This PIT will be deprecated in favour of the new pit:IND .
ind	Index	List of index terms found in the book's rear matter, possibly cross-referenced against the location of occurrence. It can be an Author index, a Master index, a Subject index, a Materials index, etc. This replaces the pit:IDX which will be deprecated.
ins	Insights	A publication item that is neither research article nor review of primary research; it is roughly comparable to an article in the popular science press.
itr	Introduction	Text introducing a volume, part or section of a book. Not to be confused with Foreword (pit:FOR) or Preface (pit:PRE) that are part of the front matter.
lit/book	Literature reviews	Used for a chapter that reviews the literature in a given subject area.

		(deprecated and introduced new pit:LRW)
lrw	Literature review	Review of literature that appeared in a given period of time regarding a certain subject area. This type supersedes the deprecated pit:LIT/book .
lst	Lists	List of figures, list of tables, etc.
ovw	Overview	Used for so-called “topic pages” in an MRW, a short description of the subject of the MRW section.
pre	Preface	Introductory text in the front matter of a book.
pro	Protocol	A publication item that provides the detailed procedures and materials needed to reproduce or replicate an experimental method. In essence, a Protocol is a regular item focusing on the materials and methods required to achieve a specified result.
rem	Removal	Tombstone chapter, removed. The chapter has been retracted and its original text is completely removed from public access. (Refer The Tombstone Procedure)
ret	Retraction	Tombstone PIT assigned to a retracted item.
rev	Reviewers	List of names of referees that have reviewed (parts of) the book.
rpl	Replication studies	Replication Study. A replication of a scientific study.
scp	Simple chapter	An individual chapter. Used primarily in conversion projects.

tpg	Title page	Used for the title page.
vid	Video article	Publication item whose prime content consists of a video accompanied by a description of that video.