Item Material Types for Serials and their use in Aleph Prediction

New Material Type codes have been added so that serial items with specific physical formats such as CD-ROM, microfilm, etc., can now be seen in the Check-In Node of the Serial Tab.

It is also possible to generate a set of predicted issues with a material type other than ISSUE.

1. New Material Types added to the Material Type List in Items.

The following new material types have been added to the Item Material Type List. These new material types can be used in addition to ISSUE and ISSBD:

- ISSCD (CD-ROM) [for Serials]
- ISSLL (Looseleafs)
- ISSMF (Microforms) [for Serials]
- ISSPP (Pocket parts)

When an item has a material type beginning with ISS, it can be viewed in the Check-In Node of the Serial Tab.

2. Creating a set of Predicted Issues using a Material Type other than ISSUE.

It is also possible for Aleph to generate a set of predicted issues using one of these new material types, as well as the ISSBD material type. To create a set of issues using one of these material types, add a subfield $O$ to the 853X field. If you do not add a subfield $O$ to the 853X field, the items created will have the material type of ISSUE. Use of this new subfield is optional.
3. **Public Display.**

- All items with material type of ISSUE, ISSCD, ISSLL, ISSMF and ISSPP will display in the public catalog as “Current Receipts” in the Holdings display.

- ISSBD items do not display as a “Current Receipts”. These volumes should be added to the 863 field in the holdings record in order to be viewed from the Holdings Display in the OPAC.

4. **How to Suggest Additional Codes/Where to Get Help**

If you are interested in suggesting additional codes that could be added to this list or if you need help with the new codes and/or their use in serial prediction, please contact the Aleph Support Center at [http://hul.harvard.edu/ois/systems/aleph/forms/f-supp-ser.html](http://hul.harvard.edu/ois/systems/aleph/forms/f-supp-ser.html).