

Shinshu University Institutional Repository Initiative *(please refer to the back page)*

** As the project is still being in the inception stage, your advice is welcomed. library@shinshu-u.ac.jp*

Perfect linkage between the IR and the Researcher Directory

→ **Aimed at enhanced visibility and reduced researcher loads**

(Partly modeled after "ecs.soton.ac.uk" of University of Southampton)

- From inside: Availability for Shinshu University researchers
 - Registrations for the IR and for the Researcher Directory can be completed in a single request at the library. (The librarians constantly provide information in Web of Science for the researchers and promote deposit.)
- From outside: Availability for outside researchers and private enterprises
 - Searching information about researchers' activities and achievements with the Researcher Directory, and viewing their papers in the IR
 - Accessing papers contained in the IR through search engines, JuNii (portal to Japanese universities, provided by the National Institute of Informatics), or "Web of Science," etc, and jumping to the research information of the authors
- The Researcher Directory is being developed by utilizing the most advanced system based on a native XML database.
- The Researcher Directory system will be offered in a package for other universities.

Status of Institutional Repositories in Japan

- The most advanced domestic universities in this field are Hokkaido University (HUSCAP) and Chiba University (CURATOR).
- The CSI (Cyber Science Infrastructure) project of the National Institute of Informatics promotes establishment of IRs, which are expected to be increased to more than 60 universities from 2006 through 2007.
(The IR of Shinshu University is also part of the CSI project.)

Shinshu University (<http://www.shinshu-u.ac.jp/>)

- A national university established in 1949 by incorporating high schools under the old education system and technical schools in Nagano Prefecture, Japan
- With its expansive campus, the network functions have long been utilized for lectures and meetings.
- Students: 12,122 Academic Staff: 1,128 Administrative Staff: 1,081
- Comprised of eight faculties encompassing all academic fields: Medicine, Engineering, Agriculture, Textile Science & Technology (this is only faculty of textile science in Japan), Science, Education, Economics and Arts.
- Globally ranked among the top 1% citation in the four fields of clinical medicine, chemistry, biology & biochemistry, and materials science (data based on Essential Science IndicatorsSM by Thomson Scientific)
- One channel of a private CATV broadcasting station was acquired (*) in October 2006, distributing university information to the local community.
(* The first of its kind in Japan)



Shinshu University Online System of General Academic Resources (SOAR)

