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Collaboration to accelerate institution's analysis of Japan's scientific research output and strength

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TOKYO - The Intellectual Property & Science business of Thomson Reuters, the world's leading source of information for businesses and professionals, today announced a collaboration with Japan's National Institute of Informatics (NII) to connect data from KAKEN, the awards database of Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (KAKENHI), with the Web of ScienceTM, the premier platform for scientific and scholarly research. This initiative will allow Japanese researchers and institutions to better evaluate research performance by creating a table aligning KAKENHI categories with journal articles indexed within the Web of Science.

This project will provide a comprehensive view into the impact of Japan's scientific research efforts by correlating KAKENHI's research fields with articles authored by Japanese scholars indexed within the Web of Science.

This relationship will not only advance global access to Japan's valuable scientific research, but it will also further Thomson Reuters' continued efforts to support regional research and expand upon its previous work with the United Kingdom, Australia, China, Italy and Brazil. The project began in April of 2013, with an expected interim NII Technical Report, to be released on the NII website in June. The results of this collaboration will be applied into Thomson Reuters InCites[™], the leading web-based research analytics platform enabling institutions to measure research output and impact, monitor trends, and benchmark performance against peers at the individual, departmental and global levels.

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About the National Institute of Informatics (NII)

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About Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (KAKENHI)

Grants-in-Aid are awarded to promote creative and pioneering research across a wide spectrum of scientific fields, ranging from the humanities and social sciences to the natural sciences. Grants are awarded to projects organized by individual researchers or research groups at Japanese universities or research institutes engaged in basic research, particularly research in critical fields attuned to advanced research trends.

About KAKEN

KAKEN is the database which is established and provided by the National Institute of Informatics (NII) with support of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) and the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS). KAKEN contains the "Project Selected" documents and the research report summaries (incl. annual and final).

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