What’s “SCPJ” project?

Mission
We aim to facilitate the registration of papers published in Japanese academic journals to IRs by providing information concerning open access and self-archiving for academic societies etc.

Fund
SCPJ project is funded by NII (National Institute of Informatics) Institutional Repositories Program.

Finding from SCPJ activities

OA policies are “living”
Since OA policies may change all the time, it is difficult to get the updated information through questionnaire. We often contact and confirm with the related societies afterwards. As a result, updating may cost much time.

Various Societies
There are many academic societies in Japan, and their range is wide in size. It appears that smaller societies cannot decide their own OA policies because of lack of information.

Future Vision

From “Policy Investigation” to “Policy Development Support”
The time has come to move the focal point of the SCPJ project from “investigation / the exhibition of the OA policy of academic societies to the support for OA policy development of academic societies”.

1) Provide the information that helps a society devise their OA policy
2) Improve SCPJ project and the cognitive degree of the SCPJ database

New Functions of SCPJ

Two big change! and more
1. The OA policy will be displayed not only by academic societies but also by journals
2. Repository staff who get approval from the officials of the academic societies will be able to update the policy information

Two Features of SCPJ database
1. The only database
   Cover OA policies of almost all Japanese academic societies (about 1,800)
2. No policy is a policy
   Regard responses of “under consideration” or “No response” as one of the policies

Color coding of OA policy in SCPJ database

- Green: Author can archive both Pre-prints & Post-prints
- Blue: Author can archive only Post-prints
- Yellow: Author can archive only Pre-prints
- Red: Author can not archive
- Gray: Under consideration

We have developed a new OA policy database system in which not only the SCPJ staff but also other stakeholders (including the officials of the academic societies) can update the policy data.

Everybody can get fresh & accurate OA policy!

Release in spring 2010   Don’t miss it!