Accessing commercial databases

MagazinePlus and other databases

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WHAT IS MAGAZINEPLUS?

MagazínePlus is a database which contains six integrated resources

      #1 NDL Zasshí kiji sakuin (nicknamed "Zassaku")
      #2 Journal Index (nicknamed "Janaru")
      #3 JOINT
      #4 Gakkai nenpo, kenkyu hokoku ronbún soran
      #5 Ronbunshu naiyo saimoku soran
      #6 KSK Scanner

#1,#2 and #3 are indexes to articles in Japanese periodicals, #4 and #5 are indexes to contents of books, and #6 is an index of articles in overseas newspapers and journals.
All resources are searched as the default, but it is possible to limit these to only #1 (Zassku) or #4 and 5(Gakkainenpo Ronbunshu). But #2, #3, and #6 can not be searched by themselves.
Databases # 1 and #2 also provide current awareness features.
A complete title list is provided at:
http://www.nichigai.co.jp/database/mgz/top.html

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF EACH RESORCE

1. Zasshi kíji sakuin (Zassaku)
producer
      the National Diet Library
Content
      Indexes about 10,000 periodicals published in Japan. Japanese language journals are
      9,390 and estere language journals are 102.
Time span:
      1975 - the present.
      *Nichígaí is currently considering adding retrospective data from 1948 to
      MagazinePlus.
Subject coverage:
      The humanities and social sciences, science and technology, and medical science, including pharmacology.

The breakdown
      humanities and social sciences   58%

science and technology   37%
medical science, pharmacology   5%

Titles and the time span of each journals' indexing are offered at:
http://www.ndl.go.jp/nd1_frm_1.html
Updating
>   Every two weeks.

2. Journal Index (Janaru)
>   producer
>   Nichígai Associates,Inc.

Content
>   Indexes approximately 165 periodicals published in Japan.

Time span
>   1981 - the present.

Subject coverage
>   Most of these publications are popular in nature weekly and monthly opinion
>   magazines, business oriented magazines, and publications dealing with
>   specific interests, such as computing, politics, science, sports, or fashion.

A complete title list is offered at:
>   http://www.nichigai.co.jp/web_service/support/j_index1.html

Updating
>   Every week.

Difference between Zassaku and Janaru:
>   68 journals overlap with Zassaku in coverage, because since 1995 the NDL
>   has greatly expanded the number of periodicals indexed. Despite this fact,
>   Janaru is useful in some ways:
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>   - Important keywords are manually assigned by indexers employed by
>   Nichígai, whereas Zassaku is mostly indexed automatically.
>   - If you want some articles printed prior to 1995, of course you can not
>   find them in Zassaku.
>   - Because these two databases have different covering and indexing
>   policies, the retrieval results often differ even when searching by the
>   same title or the same date of issue. (Zassaku's indexing policy is
>   sometimes less comprehensive than Janaru).

3. JOINT
producer
>   Society for the study of economic literature(Keizai Bunken Kenkyu Kai)

Content
>   Indexes about 1,300 economic journals in Japan including industry papers,
>   proceedings and monthly reports

Time span
>   1981-1995.

How was it produced?
>   The Society for the Study of Economic Literature, the producer of JOINT,
>   was organized mainly by the members of the Coordinating Committee for

Libraries in Otemachi (Otemachi Siryoshítśu Renrakukai) in the 1980s. They started to build indexed catalogues for their ILL at the end of 1970s. After that Nichígaí started to create the JOINT database
as part of their subcontracting work, and also provided it online from 1981. (The society was dissolved in 1995).

4. Gakkai nenpo, kenkyu hokoku ronbun ɪoran
producer
Nichigai Associates, Inc.
Content:
Indexes about 1,000 of annual publications by university, scholarly associations, and research organizations
Time span
1945-1995.
How was it produced?
The series of "Gakkai nenpo, kenkyu hokoku ronbun soran" was published between 1995 and 2000 in book form. It has five volumes and was edited on the policy of excluding the publications covered in Zassaku.
The electronic data has been integrated into MagazinePlus.

5. Ronbun shu naíyo saimoku ɪoran
producer
Nichigai Associates,Inc.
Content
Indexes the contents of monographic books as well as festschrift, conference papers.
8,500 books are covered.
Time span
1945-1998
How was it produced?
The series "Ronbun shu. naiyo saimoku soran" was published between 1993 and 2000. This series was also published in book form first, and the electronic data has been integrated into MagazinePlus.

6. KSK SCANNER
Foreign information on industries
producer
Japan Society for the promotion of Machine Industry(Kikai Shínko Kyokai)
Content
Indexes 64 of overseas newspapers and journals which report the trends of management and economy of foreign machinery and related industries.
Time span:
1986-the present
More information
The Japan Society for the promotion of Machine Industry (JSPMI) is a charitable corporation founded in 1964. For more information, see the

JSPMI's site at: http://www.eri.jspmi.or.jp/index/index.htm

Updating
Once every two or three months.

HOW TO DEFINE EACH RESOURCE
- Zassaku always has a classification number assigned by the NDL. It also has our unique number beginning with the letter "Z".
- Janaru and JOINT have unique numbers beginning with the letter "M". The unfamiliar journals which have numbers with "M" can be from JOINT.
- KSK's unique number also begins with "M", and has a Japanese abstract. The asterisk (*) marked on the head of the title is used to indicate that the original article has more than 1,000 words.
- Gakkaí nenpo has a unique number beginning with VG"
- Ronbunshu has a unique number beginning with "JR".

In MagazínePlus you may often find two articles which are duplicates. That is because MagazinePlus displays all the data searched from all the six resources.

SEARCH PROCEDURE
- MagazinePlus can search on keywords, titles, authors/editors, journal name, publisher, and ISSN.
- When you open the search screen you will see a help button in the top right corner. It brings up a new screen. To get out, close the window.
- You can limit your search by date or date range. Default covers all years, but results depend on data in the database.
- в Years should be input as four digits; months as two digits. Either one byte or two byte numbers can be used.
- Terms can be combined by using AND, OR, and NOT (Boolean logic).
- You can use one or more of the boxes and can change the search field of any box by clicking on the down arrow.
- Words should be separated by a space when inputting two or more.
- ISSN should be input without the hyphen.
- Terms can be entered in kanji, hiŕagana, katakana, roman letters and numerals. But only katakana can be used as readings of kanji.

Access http://web.nichigai.co.jp/ (only when searching with ID and password)
Search hints
You should not input a compound word if you would like to use katakana as readings. For example when you search for "学級崩壊" you should input
"ガッキュウ" and "ホウカイ"
with a space by using ［必ず含む］ (AND). Because not all the keywords have readings.
If you would like to search comprehensively, you should use kanji.

Display
- You can display up to 1,000 records.
- If your search retrieves more than that, you will need to limit the search somehow (years, more keywords, etc.)
- You can limit the number of records displayed on one page to 20, 50, 100 or 200 records per page.
- Results can be displayed in chronological order or the reverse.
- Detailed results open a new browser window; to return to the main list of results, please close the window.

Boolean logic
The Keyword field is not necessarily the Article Title field.
<ex.1>
"Search only articles which are objectively written about Takeshi Kitano"
You have to exclude the ones written by himself or interviews.
When searching for "北野武", 364 citations are brought up.
To exclude the ones written by him or interviews, you have to input his name in the next box, and change the [必ず含む](AND) to [含まない](NOT).
Then the result changes to 271.

<ex.2>
"Search articles on evaluation of research in universities in Japan"
At first you should start your search by inputting the most limited necessary words, "大学" and "研究評価". The two terms should be separated by a space.
30 citations are brought up.
If you would like to increase the results, you have to add more terms relevant to the subject. Input only "大学" in the first box, and "研究評価","トップ30","TOP30","遠山プラン" in the next box.
[著者名] should be changed to [キーワード], and also [必ず含む] (AND) should be changed to [いずれかを含む](OR). If you forget this, no citations will be
brought up, because it means you used the AND function.
Then the number of citations becomes 52.

NICHIGAI'S KEYWORD CONTROL
To control keywords Nichigai uses their original dictionary (not a thesaurus).
Relevant terms are linked to each other.
The samples of the dictionary are offered at:
http://www.nichigai.co.jp/newhp/dcs/dcs.html

When searching, for example, for "visit to Japan of the President of the united states" and use the term "来日", the articles including "訪日" will be also brought up.

This is because these two "来日" and "訪日" are linked to each other in the dictionary.
As for Zassaku Nichigaí just combines the two or more words which were originally assigned in Zassaku and adopt the compound word as the keyword only when it is in the dictionary.
The retrieval results often differ between Nacsis-IR and Nichigaí/Web Service.

OPTIONAL FEATURES
1. LOPAC renkei service
What is it?
It enables your periodical holdings link to the Magazine Plus.
What does Nichígaí need?
Nichigai needs two pieces of information from each library who would like to use this feature. These are ISSNs and URL information which enables you to search your online catalog with ISSN.
<ex.ISSNs>

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00021490
00022942
00023752
00025569
00026018
00026980
00027065
00027162
00027294
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<ex.URL information>

http://www.library.nichigai.edulcgi-binlopac/serial-query?issn=********

How it works
Nichigai previously sets a list for our server. It contains ISSNs that we obtain from each library and URL with ISSN.
Each ISSN and URL must be paired.
When searching, MagazinePlus refers to the list to display link strings on search results. For example, when you find "Sekai" of Iwanami shoten in your result, then the ISSN[05824532) is referred to the list, and when it is found in the list, then the paired URL is displayed on the search result as a link string that takes you to the online catalog to see the call number and years you have.
This feature uses an http cookie, so your system must be able to accept cookies.

Nichigai inform you of the URL that enables search results to display icons. You have to replace your current URL which is linked to your web site with the new one.

Another option

If you want all the records to have icons whether they are in your catalog or not, Nichígai can make it possible to display all the icons. In this case only URL for searching the online catalog is needed.

Warning

In any case this function is done by linking only ISSN. Please inform your users that they have to search their catalog again if some results which they want do not have icons.

More Information

This feature will also be achieved in BookPlus(the largest citation database for books published in Japan from 1927 to the present) in September, 2002 by linking to ISBNs. In BookPlus all the icons will be displayed as the default. You don't need to send Nichigai ISBNs. Only URL for searching your online catalogue with ISBN is needed.

2.Ronbun toroku service

What is it and who can use it?

This function was developed to collect papers which are not held by zassaku or Magazineplus. The registered users are limited to people who are allowed to access to either of the databases. They have to send their hard copy to Nichígai after they have registered the paper.

CONTRACTS

The Ruling of Nichigai/Web Service was written with the assumption that Nichigai/Web Service is used only in Japan, it must seem strange and unacceptable for collection development officers of your universities. Nichigai is dealing with the matter on amending clauses on a case-by-case basis. If you need to amend some clauses, please submit your application form with the document like this.

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NICHIGAI ASSOCIATES AND

THE UNIVERSITY OF A LIBRARIES

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By: _____   By: _____

Print Name: _____   Print Name: _____

Title: _____   Title: _____

IF ADDRESS AUTHENTICATION
Nichígai is providing a month trial service by the IP address authentication system.
Your libraries' IP ranges, the database you want to try, and the logout URL where you come back after disconnecting the service are needed for the arrangement.
If you would like to try other databases in addition to the current one, please just contact
Nichigai by email.

WHO=-who's who database in Japan
What is WHO?
WHO is a biographical database which contains 440,000 pieces of biographical information on Japanese and non-Japanese people as well as 2,600,000 related literatures.
People who have appeared in Japanese news media and publications is included. You can
search not only contemporary people but also historical figures since Meiji period such as 樋口一葉 or 野口英世 as well as their related literature lists.
One of the features of WHO is that you can search various kinds of people not only by their names but also by keywords. This means you can find the figures whom you don't know but who are relevant to your search subject.

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