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## **Scirus Adds California Institute of Technology to Repository Search Service**

*Scirus to Index Content and Provide Search Capabilities for Caltech's Institutional Repository*

**AMSTERDAM, OCTOBER 17, 2005** – Elsevier today announced that its free science-specific search engine, Scirus, is collaborating with the California Institute of Technology to index the Caltech Collection of Digital Archives (CODA), its institutional repository, and to power a search capability on the repository's site. Caltech CODA was launched in 2000 to digitally archive and make freely available Caltech's scholarly output and today it holds close to 4,000 theses, technical reports, preprints, articles, oral histories and conference papers produced by the 1,200 professional staff at Caltech.

Caltech CODA is an archive of valuable information created by faculty and students. The content is made available in an open access repository so that research results are more visible and enhanced discovery is possible.

"The credibility of content sources is essential to the integrity of Scirus and we are pleased to have Caltech as a partner," said Sharon Momburu, senior product manager of Scirus. "Scirus maintains its position as the leading science-specific search engine on the market by continuously adding important content partners, like Caltech CODA."

By providing full-text and fielded search capabilities on both Scirus and Caltech's sites, Scirus ensures that users can easily search and find the information they need. In addition, Caltech results are clearly branded and identified on the results page in order to validate content as reliable and credible.

"The inclusion of this archive in Scirus.com will increase its visibility and enhance its use in research and teaching," said Eric Van de Velde, director of library information technology at Caltech. "By using Scirus, we expose our content to its worldwide community of users and gain from Scirus' expertise in indexing scientific information."

### **About Caltech CODA**





The Caltech Collection of Open Digital Archives (Caltech CODA) is the institutional repository of the California Institute of Technology. It contains the broad spectrum of Caltech research results, such as theses, technical reports, preprints, and self-archived journal articles and conference papers. In addition, the Caltech CODA contains Caltech-related material such as oral histories of faculty and administrators and issues of Engineering and Science (a magazine published by Caltech). As the digital information environment evolves, other kinds of content will be added. The Caltech CODA is managed to be a reliable long-term archive.

### **About California Institute of Technology**

Founded in 1891, Caltech has an enrolment of some 2,000 students, and a faculty of about 280 professorial members, 65 research members, and some 560 postdoctoral scholars. The Institute has more than 21,000 alumni. Caltech employs a staff of more than 2,600 on campus and 5,100 at JPL.

Over the years, 32 Nobel Prizes and five Crafoord Prizes have been awarded to faculty members and alumni. Forty-seven Caltech faculty members and alumni have received the National Medal of Science; and ten alumni (two of whom are also trustees; and one is also a faculty member), two additional trustees, and one faculty member have won the National Medal of Technology. Since 1958, 14 faculty members have received the annual California Scientist of the Year award. On the Caltech faculty there are 81 fellows of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; and on the faculty and Board of Trustees, 72 members of the National Academy of Sciences and 6 members of the Institute of Medicine, and 41 members of the National Academy of Engineering.

### **About Scirus**

Scirus is the most comprehensive science-focused search engine available on the Internet, supporting over one million researchers, scientists and students worldwide. Scirus offers users a unique combination of free Web information and journal content, clearly branding search results from proprietary sources, assuring users the validity of the content. Web sources searched by Scirus include research institutes, governments, scientific organizations, conferences, scientists' homepages and company homepages worldwide. Optimized for science-related queries, Scirus uses a dictionary with over 1.6 million scientific terms, unique pattern recognition tools and linguistic analysis, to classify the content type and recognize the relevance of each document. Searching both the full-text and metadata of over 200 million scientifically relevant pages, Scirus offers users unique search functionalities such as the ability to search on bibliographical information and specific content types. Scirus is the recipient of numerous International awards, including the Search Engine





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