



Peking University Chooses Thomson Scientific's Century Of Science

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Leading Research University is First in China to Purchase 100 Years of
Web Of Science Comprehensive Backfile and Cited Reference Data

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Thomson Scientific, part of The Thomson Corporation (NYSE: TOC; TSX: TOC) and leading provider of information solutions to the worldwide research and business communities, today announced that Century of Science(TM) has been purchased by Peking University in China. Century of Science expands Web of Science with the most important scientific bibliographic and cited reference data covering the period from 1900 to 1944.

Web of Science is a carefully selected and maintained collection of the world's most influential journals across all disciplines. Coverage is truly multidisciplinary with emphasis on quality and superior collection development and can be accessed via the ISI Web of Knowledge, a premier research platform that offers an extensive collection of backfiles to 1945. Launched in January 2005, the Century of Science initiative made available approximately 850,000 articles from more than 200 journals carefully selected from the published research in the first half of the 20th century.

"As a forward-thinking information provider, we understand the importance of historical research information," said Mark Garlinghouse, Thomson Scientific's VP and Managing Director, Asia Pacific. "Century of Science will assist Peking University in becoming a world class university."

In 1999, Peking University was one of the very first Web of Science customers in China and it now joins the growing list of the top research organizations around the globe that invest in Century of Science to support its world class research efforts. While more than 200 universities throughout the world have Century of Science, Peking University is the first academic institution in China to acquire it.

"Century of Science will enable us to track past developments, pinpoint key turning points and determine the future direction our research," said Prof. Zhu Qiang, Director of Library, Peking University.

"This knowledge platform provides us with the history to help build the future and to encourage research interaction and collaboration in China," said Dr. Zhou Hui, Head of Scientific Research Office, Peking University.

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About Peking University

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Peking University is a comprehensive and national key university in China, consisting of 30 colleges and 12 departments. While laying stress on basic sciences, the university also pays special attention to the development of applied sciences. Presently, Peking University has 216 research institutes and research centers, 2 national engineering research centers, 81 national disciplines, and 12 national laboratories.

The university effectively combines research on important scientific issues with the training of personnel with specialized knowledge and professional skill. With such diverse branches of learning, Peking University is likely to rank among the world's best universities at the beginning of the next century. For more information about Peking University, please visit <http://www.pku.edu.cn>.

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