Case study: CiNii’s Japanese language bibliographies in Primo Discovery system
At Zurich and Oslo University Libraries

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The situation

- Several libraries in Europe have adopted Discovery system Primo over the last years

Beside Oslo and Zurich:
- Bodleian Libraries (University of Oxford)
- British Library
- Leiden University Libraries
- Université PARIS 3 Sorbonne Nouvelle
- KU Leuven and LIBISnet Consortium
- And more
What is Primo?

• The discovery service provided by ExLibris

• In addition to the library collections, it’s possible to search other media in and outside the libraries at the same time (keyword: one-stop-search)

• ExLibris offers PCI (Primo Center Index) in which metadata are pooled and maintained
Graphical illustration

Bibliographical data of Library A collection

Bibliographical data of Library B collection

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The purpose of this presentation

We will share our experiences with Primo, and we wish to think about following to points!

• Does the searching for the Japanese studies materials / Japanese language materials become better now?
• What other points should be improved?
Case: Zurich University Library

- Started to use Primo from 2013
- Licensed via Swiss Library association NEBIS
- Library management system: ALEPH
- Activated Japanese databases via PCI: J-Stage, JapanKnowledge, CiNii Articles (from September 2015)
Testcase: Search with «夏目漱石» in Rechercheportal
Results filtered by «Japanese language» and sorted by «date-newest»
The first result

The Hot-spring Town and Literary Monument in Kisyu

Article

Online resource | Details | SFX/AAI
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SFX Services for this record

Title: 紀州の温泉地と文学碑

Main Services

Full Text

Full text provided by University of Zurich via J-STAGE Free

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This result could be from NII-ELS
À propos, a record from JK is shown as bellow
Case: Oslo University Library

- Started to use Primo Autumn 2014
- Licensed via Norwegian consortium BIBSYS
- Library management system: BIBSYS. From the end of 2015 going to use Alma by ExLibris
- Activated Japanese databases via PCI: NDL, J-Stage, CiNii Articles
Testcase in Oria, with same search method
View of the 4th entry

Title: 癒しと救いとしての詩作 - ウィリアム・ワーズワース (1770-1850) の心の深淵 -
Author: 山内久明
Source: 了徳寺大学研究紀要, 2008, Issue 2, pp 1-22

Full text available via CINii Free
We can now search metadata from CiNii Articles in Primo directly(?)
The current condition (part 2)

Problems

• Quality of the hit lists is not good enough, not accurate. Huge difference of result between Primo and CiNii
• We don’t know how often data of CiNii Articles updated. We can’t find data of CiNii Articles from 2015 in Primo
• Maintenance of PCI depend on ExLibris. We cannot access to the detailed informations
• Many of access free articles (open access journals) have no links from Primo
• Primo shows sources from which metadata come. But CiNii Articles is somehow invisible??
Requests & wishes to ExLibris

- More transparency of PCI-administration
- The quality of metadata in PCI should have minimum uniform standard
- The metadata quality control should be one of the most important tasks for ExLibris (maybe it already is?)
Requests & wishes to NII

• We wish that the procedure to access CiNii Articles metadata becomes simpler (What happens after Institutional Fixed-Price Service機関定額制?)
• Template for application: English version needed
• Contents and summary information from CiNii Books also into PCI?: Is it possible to show this via PCI in Primo?
Summary

- Primo Discovery systems are similar to Google and are practical, but the quality of the metadata varies. It should be uniform. Local librarians need to have basic knowledge of the system in order to improve the search quality.
- ExLibris maintains metadata PCI, not individual libraries. Convenient for the libraries, but it means that the libraries can’t control metadata quality.
- The libraries that plan to adopt a Discovery system should examine different systems.
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