Editorial

This is the 21st volume of the Photon Factory Activity Report, covering the period from April 2003 to March 2004, corresponding to Japanese fiscal year 2003. The PF Activity Report is divided into two parts. PART-A summarizes the scientific highlights, the newly developed experimental facilities including beamlines and experimental apparatus, the topics of in-house research activities, the research and development on accelerators, and the reports of public events, together with the description of the outline and organization of the PF. A list of publications concerning the activities at the PF is also compiled in PART-A. PART-B presents a number of users' short reports with a list of experimental proposals.

Since a few years ago, we are promoting an electrical editing of the PF Activity Report. All of the contents including PART-B are published on CD-ROM, and are also available on the website of the PF (http://pfwww.kek.jp/) from three years ago. In this volume, the editorial board was accepted and edited all of the documents electrically to reduce editorial process.

Finally, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of those who have contributed to this volume.

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