Editorial

This is the 23rd volume of the Photon Factory Activity Report, and covers scientific activities for the Japanese fiscal year 2005 (April 2005 to March 2006). The report is divided into two parts. PART-A summarizes scientific highlights achieved by users, newly developed experimental facilities including beam lines and experimental apparatuses, topical in-house research activities, research and development of accelerators, reports of public events, and a description of the outline and organization of the PF. PART-B presents a number of users' short reports along with a list of research proposals. A list of publications produced as the result of activities at the PF is also compiled in PART-B.

For the past several editions we have promoted the electronic distribution of the PF Activity Report. All content including PART-B is now published on CD-ROM, and is also available on the PF's website at http://pfwww.kek.jp/.

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

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