# Meteor Library (MetLib) — bibliographic project

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## Background: why to do that?

The amount of publications in meteor science published not in English language is not negligible. For example, an analysis of the publication flow in meteor astronomy in 1982–1988 made by Ryabova [1] has shown that publications in Russian came to 33%. The mentioned research related mainly to professional journals. Most of these publications are not known to meteor researchers now, resulting in unnecessary duplications of efforts. Results of amateur observations published in non-professional sources and in other languages (Czech, Dutch, German, French, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Slovak, etc.) is another valuable information, which is about to be lost.

## **Status of the project**

This project is supported by Division F Planetary Systems and Bioastronomy Commission F1 Meteors, Meteorites, and Interplanetary Dust and is one of the commission official activities. This project is also supported by International Meteor Organization.

## MetLib global aim

To collect information about papers in meteor science published (mainly) not in English language. To digitize or to organize digitizing of these publications (in full respect of the copyright law) to make this valuable information available to researchers.

#### MetLib nearest plans

We need to form a group: ideally we need at least one person from each country. We should evaluate amount of work that should be done: to make a list of journals and other sources, which should be processed. At the same time no need to wait for this list to begin bibliographic work.

We invite all the people interested in this work to join us. Certainly, other bibliographic projects are welcomed!

### References

[1] Ryabova, G.O., WGN, Vol. 23, pp. 51–55, 1995.