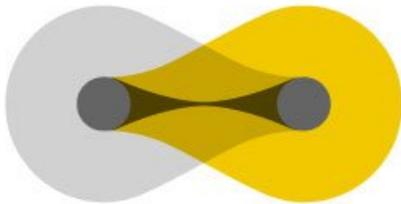


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Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) awarded Impact Science with the Accreditation of Partnership on Research Assistance Service (A-PRAS) certificate. Impact Science is the research promotion brand of Cactus Communications, a global scientific communications company with one of its offices in Tokyo.

With this accreditation, Impact Science will be recognized as an official partner of the MEXT and will be invited to be part of a task force aimed at accelerating the promotion of science and technology, creating innovation in Japan, and developing various research support initiatives.

Makoto Yuasa, Country Director of CACTUS's Japan operations, expressed his excitement: "It is a rare honour for a private company to being recognized by the Japanese government. For the last 18 years, CACTUS has been at the forefront of initiatives aimed at promoting research, first through its editorial services brand Editage and now through new brands like Impact Science. This recognition by the MEXT will motivate us to do more to aid research promotion in Japan."

The A-PRAS certificate is a new annual program by the MEXT aimed at recognizing private businesses that support research. Impact Science is among the first to receive this accreditation this year, along with only seven other brands.