

Basic Policy on Data Handling (Data Policy)
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Objective

This basic policy describes the handling and scientific or educational use of various data generated in research and development by Irie Laboratory, Chiba University (hereinafter “Irie Laboratory”).

Irie Laboratory conducts a variety of fundamental research and development related to geoscience. Furthermore, Irie Laboratory strives to contribute to the sustainable development of humankind and the expansion and systematization of knowledge, by publicizing, disseminating, and increasing awareness of the results that Irie Laboratory has attained.

Irie Laboratory possesses many advanced facilities, equipment, algorithms, etc., and generates data of extremely high academic value. These data are shared assets of humankind, and it is vital that they are made widely available for research, education, and other uses throughout the world and into the future. Irie Laboratory believes that one of its important missions is to store these valuable data for the long term and provide them to users in an easy-to-use format.

Data Attribution

Data generated using the facilities, equipment, and algorithms of Irie Laboratory belong to Irie Laboratory, unless a special agreement exists. Reproduction or redistribution of the data, in whole or in part, without approval from Irie Laboratory is not permitted, unless otherwise agreed upon. When the data is used to publish research results in a paper or report, etc., the data user shall, unless otherwise agreed upon, clearly state that they have used data from Irie Laboratory.

Handling of data as intellectual property

Some of the data is protected as intellectual property. Irie Laboratory will designate such data.

Data Disclosure

Data not designated as intellectual property shall be made public as follows:

- Grace period for disclosure of data

Irie Laboratory has the right to preferential use of its data for a specified period of time to produce its own research results (papers, etc.), including the processing (correction, quality control, etc.) necessary for public disclosure of the data. Irie Laboratory will release the data shortly after the grace period for disclosure ends.

- How data is provided

Irie Laboratory will provide data in an easy-to-use format. In addition, a mechanism will be created to accommodate the needs of users.

- Data usage fees

In principle, data belonging to Irie Laboratory can be used free of charge as long as it is used for scientific or educational purposes, except for the actual costs related to the provision of such data. However, as a general rule, data provided for industrial usage will incur a fee. Appropriate compensation will be charged according to the handling of the data.