(...) Data on enzymes are difficult to collect, interpret and standardize as they are widely distributed among journals from different fields and are also often subject to experimental conditions. But a systematic collection is essential for interpretation of genome information and for applications in the fields of medicine, agriculture, food science etc. Therefore, the development of the enzyme data information system was started. The present "Springer Handbook of Enzymes" is the printed version. (....)

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