

Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set

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Since the Berkeley IRG meeting, the Unicode Consortium has been working on the 5.0 release of Unicode, which will be published in book form in late 2006.

As always, this includes a new release of the Unihan database. The current version is available at <<http://www.unicode.org/Public/5.0.0/ucd/Unihan-5.0.0d3.zip>>. Comments and corrections from IRG members are always welcome.

Should corrections or contributions from IRG members be received too late for inclusion in version 5.0, they will nonetheless be included in the next release (probably 5.1, and probably released in 2007).

We also have released a draft document describing the Unihan database in some detail at <<http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr38/>>. As this is a draft, feedback is welcome.

UTS #37, the Ideographic Variation Database, is also available at <<http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr37/>>. IRG members may use it to register variant glyphs they have for encoded ideographs.