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RapidILL is a resource sharing system that was designed by the Interlibrary Loan staff at Colorado State. It grew out of an emergency situation – in July of 1997 a flash flood devastated the library collection, and the area that was hit hardest were the bound periodicals. A makeshift arrangement was created by Colorado State together with a half dozen other Colorado libraries so that faculty and students could quickly get the articles they needed during that fall semester of 1997, and from this effort grew RapidILL, which now consists of over a dozen groups or “pods,” comprising some 150 to 200 libraries worldwide.