Patron-Initiated, Library-Managed and Consortium-Administered Resource Sharing
SHAREit's open platform provides a tremendous advancement in the development of next generation resource sharing systems for libraries by facilitating interconnectivity of disparate systems, providing consortia the ability to simultaneously interface with multiple ILS and resource sharing systems.

A resource sharing solution allowing for traditional ILL and ILS workflows to co-exist

SHAREit helps libraries significantly reduce the amount of time spent on managing borrowing and lending activities, greatly improving staff workflow and patron satisfaction. It supports and manages staff ILL transactions, as well as mediated or unmediated patron-initiated ILL transactions. Libraries with different local automation systems can share resources with one another, regardless of their collection size or automation system. SHAREit seamlessly accommodates these disparate systems – creating a level playing field for all consortium members. SHAREit can be implemented in any one of three environments, depending on the consortium's needs:

**Physical union database**
- Auto-Graphics merges each consortium member's online catalog into a single physical union catalog.

**Virtual database system**
- Auto-Graphics enables federated searching, Z39.50 and HTTP-based searching of virtual databases and presents merged, deduplicated and sorted results.

**Hybrid database system**
- Auto-Graphics was the first pioneer of the unique hybrid model, which allows some consortium members to contribute their records to a union database, while still allowing other members to participate using the virtual system – all within one environment.

SHAREit is fully compliant with NCIP and ISO ILL library standards. SHAREit interoperates with all major resource sharing systems, including WorldShare ILL, ILLiad, Relais and VDX.

SHAREit supports efficient request generation, fulfillment and management, and offers a number of other unique features:

**Circulation - Interlibrary Loan Link (CILL)**
- Libraries can pair Auto-Graphics products together to simplify workflows. SHAREit ILL can be embedded into VERSO ILS in a relationship called Circulation-Interlibrary Loan Link (CILL). Staff and patrons can search, place, and process requests all in a single interface.

**Mediated and unmediated patron-initiated ILL requests**
- SHAREit supports patron-initiated requests, offering patrons the flexibility to place and track their own requests.

**Patron Initiated Requests**
- SHAREit supports SIP2 and NCIP to enable remote patron authentication to a local ILS patron file. Using CILL, patrons may initiate resource sharing requests from any ILS system.

**Flexibility in lender lists and load balancing**
- Multiple levels of lender lists can be used to direct requests to preferred and network lenders.
- Eight load-leveling options for distributing requests
Flexible request handling for items held in home library

- Disallow requests for locally held titles
- Redirect to the local catalog to place a hold
- Place a hold directly in local catalog (NCIP)

Multi-copy requests

- Staff can initiate multiple numbers of requests for the same title through one simple step, allowing libraries to support services such as book clubs and study groups with minimal staff involvement.

Clean and Intuitive Discovery Interface

- Unique clustered display groups multiple formats under appealing jacket art, making it easy for the user to find and request the title and format they want.
- Customizable interfaces make it easy to design home pages, forms and more specific to your libraries brand.

Available via the Cloud in a hosted Software as a Service (SaaS) delivery model

Utilizing the SaaS option, all upgrades are free and fixes or enhancements are immediately available to all users. There is no client software to load and maintain, freeing up valuable IT or technical staff to support additional projects for the library.

SHAREit is part of Auto-Graphics’ Library Management Platform—a integrated family of products, allowing libraries of any size to search, manage and share their resources. Serving over 6,000 library customers, the Library Management Platform delivers proven, standards-based library automation solutions that are easy to use and maintain.

Patrons can check status of their requests from their library and others using the ILL system.