

MESSAGE FROM DEAN

Invitation to Life Science and Systems Engineering



Dean

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Graduate School of Life Science and Systems Engineering (LSSE) was established in 2000 at Kitakyushu Science and Research Park to promote advanced research based on superior biological functions and implement them into practical engineering technology. LSSE has succeeded in creating frontier technologies for meeting social needs in broad technical fields related to environment/energy, robot/artificial intelligence, medical application, etc.

Diversity in students is a big feature of LSSE. In addition to students from two undergraduate schools of Kyushu Institute of Technology, many students gather

from domestic universities and colleges of technology throughout Japan and from various overseas universities. Collaborative works among these students with different experiences and values generate fresh ideas leading to technical innovation as well as fostering communication ability with recognition of diversity.

LSSE has educational programs and research projects in collaboration with universities and companies within Kitakyushu Science and Research Park. Also, LSSE is offering study abroad programs with overseas partner universities, and conducting many international joint research projects with them. Through these programs and projects students can strongly enhance their global perspectives.

We invite you to LSSE to immerse yourself in a cutting-edge education and research environment and to launch your promising career on an international stage.

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CHARACTERISTICS of the graduate course

Utilizing Life in Engineering

Applying Engineering to Life

Distinctive Educational Objectives

The underlying goal is to develop new areas of advancement in the fields of mechanical, electronic, and chemical engineering, information technologies, life sciences, and other disciplines, through applying technologies derived from the superb structures and functions of a range of natural organisms. Education and training at this graduate school focused on development and mastery of the following areas.

- Achieve high levels of expertise and knowledge, together with a strong awareness of their important roles as leaders in life science and systems engineering.
- 2. Understand the role of each specialized area of life science and systems engineering to meet the needs of society.
- 3. Demonstrate capability and competence in logical analysis to solve problems and attain objectives.
- **4.** Exhibit the skills and competence necessary for effectively presenting and introducting new technologies and innovations.
- 5. Show skill and competence in accurate communication based on logical thought.
- Demonstrate the ability to independently and collaboratively examine proposals and implement solutions to problems and tasks in our fields of specialization.

SPECIAL COURSES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The following courses are special courses for international students, such as classes in English. Please check the website for details on each course.

Advanced Assistive Robotics (Global AAR) Course

This course is an international course operated by our institute since 2015, and consists of Japanese and international students in the Department of Human Intelligence and Systems Engineering (masters course) and the Department of Life Science and Systems Engineering. We have accepted students from diverse fields such as integrated circuits, control, sensing, nanosystems, artificial intelligence, LOT systems, behavioral science, and neuroscience.

The course is designed to accommodate international students by using English as the language for slide presentations and Q&A sessions. Besides, the course provides opportunities for English presentation and communication training through journal clubs where students read and understand the latest papers, AAR seminars with top-notch lecturers, and the practicum in Robot Operating System.







https://www.brain.kyutech.ac.jp/global_aar/

Global Green Energy and Electronics (G2E2) Course

This course provides advanced education and research, which demands for the realization of green, clean, and sustainable growth. One of the main aims of this course is to nurture global leaders, who can become a bridge between techno-scientific societies of Japan and abroad in the future. Education and research on green electronics will not only contribute to the development of peaceful, safe, and secure societies but also step forward towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Courses are conducted in English in order to cater to the need for the international students.

"G2E2 Seminar" provides state-of-the-art technologies and research topics. "Exercises on Measurement Control Systems" aims at cooperative and active learning opportunities between Japanese and foreign students.



http://www.life.kyutech.ac.jp/~g2e2/en/



Exercises on Measurement Control Systems

- Printable photovoltaic cells
- Functional materials and their electrochemical devices
- Organic electronic devices
- Highly efficient and flexible energy-conversion
- Motor-drive system
- Next-generation power semiconductor devices and their applications



G2E2 Seminar

MAIN PROJECTS

Clean Cycle Chemistry Course to learn SDGs realized by chemistry

The SDGs are the "17 goals set by 193 UN member states to achieve in the 15 years from 2016 to 2030" adopted at the 2015 UN Summit. The "Clean Cycle Chemistry Course" is an active learning program with the theme of research and development aiming at the goals that can be achieved by chemical technology among the 17 goals and the establishment of the chemical technology. Professors in charge of this course are advanced researchers who promotes green chemistry research and green biogeochemical research to make elements a recyclable resource. The professors not only gives lectures, but also conducts active learning as a FACILITATOR of "cultivation of creativity". As a result, students will be able to develop the ability to achieve the SDGs and contribute to a sustainable society as a chemical engineer. In the Clean Cycle Chemistry Course, graduate students will learn advanced research contents of chemical elemental circulation and biological elemental circulation in the research fields of "Functional Interface Engineering",

"Environmental Bio-Adaptation", "Photo-functional Nanomaterials", and "Catalytic Electrolysis Engineering" through a bird's-eye view and highly specialized lectures. In one of the compulsory subjects, "Circulation Chemistry Collaboration Storming," students will plan and present concept and chemical methods that students can contribute to achieving their goals in their respective research fields. Excellent Presentation Prize will be awarded to excellent proposal, and in addition, feasible collaboration proposals will be developed into cross-disciplinary cyclical chemistry research by conducting collaboration demonstration experiments between the students and Professors in charge of this course. This course is intended for graduate students in the master's program, and takes and masters the designated 5 compulsory subjects (The language used for all curriculums is Japanese). Those who complete the course will be received a "Certificate of Completion of the Clean Cycle Chemistry Course".

Environmental Bio-adaptation Clean cycle Chemistry Course Environmental Bio-adaptation Clean cycle by chemistry and biochemistry Catalyst Electrolytic Engineering Photo-functional Materials

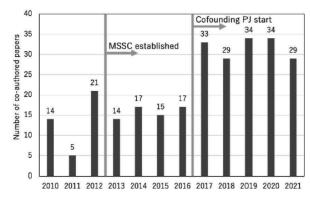


MSSC

Ten years have passed in 2022 since MSSC overseas education and research base was established. MSSC is operated jointly with University of Putra Malaysia (UPM). MSSC is an international center promoting education and research along with supporting various activities such as short-term study programs, research programs at UPM, corporate internships with Japanese companies in Malaysia, and alumni associations with Malaysian graduates. The most representative program between the two schools is SAES, which is held alternately every year at each university. The number of participants, which initially started in 2013, was about 100 but has grown to more than 500 in 2021 even though both countries under the COVID-19 pandemic. These our activities have also greatly spread on the outcome of the research of both schools. Compared with MSSC before established, the number of papers co-authored by the University and UPM is increasing as shown in the figure. The research fields of papers to be published are also expanding due to increase collaboration groups. The new joint research which is cofounded by both universities that began in 2017 seemed to significantly contribute to the results. And the double-degree program also started in 2020. Both universities expect to become more active in a wider range of fields.



Online symposium SAES2021



The number of papers co-authored by the University and UPM

Join Robot Competitions!

The Kyutech Home Service Robot team Hibikino-Musashi@Home (HMA) won the first prize two years in a row in Domestic Standard Platform League (DSPL) of Robo Cup 2017 and 2018, and Partner Robot Challenge (Real Space) in World Robot Summit 2018 and 2020 (held in 2021). HMA also won the first prize six times in



Achievements

RoboCup 2017 Nagoya, @Home DSPL first place.

RoboCup 2018 Montreal, @Home DSPL first place, P&G Dishwasher Challenge Award World Robot Challenge 2018, 2020 (held in 2021), Service Robotics Category Partner Robot Challenge Real Space first place. METI Minister's Award. RSJ Special Award.

RoboCup 2019 Sydney, @Home DSPL third place.

RoboCup 2021 Worldwide (Online), @Home DSPL second place.

RoboCup Asia-Pacific 2021, @Home OPL first place, DSPL first place, Simulation first place.

RoboCup JapanOpen 2018, @Home Open Platform League (OPL) first place. JSAI Award.

RoboCup JapanOpen 2019, @Home OPL first place, DSPL first place.

RoboCup JapanOpen 2020, @Home OPL first place, DSPL first place, OPL Technical Challenge first place.



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Team introduction!

Team KUROSHIO, the allied team of 8 institutions including Kyutech, won the second place and 1 million US dollars in Shell Ocean Discovery XPRIZE, the international competition of autonomous ocean exploration technologies.



The Kyutech Underwater Team won in the AUV League of Underwater Robotics Competition in Okinawa URC in 2020. As the URC is held in the sea, AUVs are required to be highly autonomous and completeness.



Agricultural robots must work in the actual field and need AI, gentle mechanism to living things. Kyutech "Tometoers" join the Tomato-Harvesting-Robot competition and show good results (Winner in 2019, 3rd in 2020).



The Kyutech Robo Cup MSL team Hibikino-Musashi won the champion-ship more than 10 times in Japan Open and one of veteran teams in World Cup. Each team joins with 5 soccer robots which act autonomously with mounted sensors only.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONS ENGINEERING

Graduate School of Life Science and System Engineering

Division Overview



The research and education in this department deals with the realization of materials, structures and energy conversion functionalities of nature/organisms along with their utilization in engineering. The main objective of this department lies in discovering solutions to social issues like the global environment and human health to promote the creation of new industries, by integrating the fields of the environment, energy, materials, and bioengineering. Apart from this, global education such as international internship has been performed at our international research bases.

Divisions



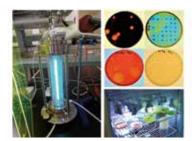
Division of Green Electronics

This division is devoted to the investigation of "green electronics technology," such as the fabrication and evaluation of printable solar cells, new functional materials, and their application to electrochemical devices, organic photo-electronic devices, construction of flexible and efficient power conversion and motor control systems, development of energy production systems utilizing renewable energies and environmentally friendly devices with carbon materials. The teaching curriculum is provided under the research themes outlined above.



Divsion of Biological Mechanics

The research and education in this division are conducted based on mechanical engineering such as the mechanics of materials, fluid and thermodynamics, the dynamics of machinery and micromachining, and the materials science of metals and ceramics. These activities contribute to the following area of industrial/medical applications: (i) the maintenance and recovery of bio-functions, (ii) medical and welfare support, (iii) development of biocompatible materials and medical devices, and (iv) design and development of biomimetic materials and intelligent machines.



Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering

The goal of this division is to re-vitalize the engineering technologies responsible for the sustainable development of industries and society with environmental consciousness. The academic field of this division includes chemical and biological research and technologies that are learned from the highly efficient reactions of biological systems. Environmentally conscious chemistry and bioengineering may lead to innovations in chemical and biological technologies. This division strives to globalize our graduate program through the development of frontier research in environmentally conscious chemistry and bioengineering.

Department of Biological Functions Engineering

Division of Green Electronics



Motor control

High efficiency

 Environmentally friendly control

Hardware control

power conversion

Power Electronics

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Keywords Research Overview

Power electronics

Development of Human-friendly and environmentally friendly electrical power conversion systems and application for motor control systems.

Division of Green Electronics



Power Semiconductors, Power Electronics

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Research Overview

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Keywords

- Power Device
- Power Erectonics
- Carbon Neutral
- Silicon Wefer Condition monitoring

Development of ultimate power semiconductor devices to atcheve carbon neutral. Power semiconductors are key device for xEVs, PVs and wind firm for the energy efficiency.

Division of Green Electronics



Nanomaterials, solar cells, Metal ion batteries

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Keywords

- Design and synhthesis of Nano material
- Li ion battery
- Na ion Batters
- Metal air battery Perovskite solar cell
- High performance
- Low cost
- Application

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Research Overview

Design and synthesis of nanomaterials and their characterization. Development of new materials for stable perovskite solar cells. Development electrode materials with high performance and low cost for application to Li-ion batteries and Na-ion batteries, as well as metal-air batteries.

Division of Green Electronics



Functional Materials and Devices

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Keywords

- Molecular design
- Organic semiconductors Organic devices
- Photo-functional materials

Research Overview

Design and development of photo-functional materials for energy harvesting and organic electronic devices.

Division of Green Electronics



Power semicnductor

Ultra high voltage power device

Keywords

Diamond

Power semiconductor, Semiconductoer material

Professor, Dr. Eng. Akihiko WATANABE

Development of diamond power devices to realize the next generation power society

Research on ultra-high performance power devices

that apply the excellent semiconductor characteristics

will enable the highly efficient use of electric energy and the construction of energy grids by direct current

transmission, and will contribute to the realization of a

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Research Overview

carbon-free society

Division of Biological Mechanics



Biomechanics

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Keywords

- Biomedical engineering
- Microbiomechanics
- Mechanical testing
- Finite element method Sensor device development
- Vascular diseases
- Pressure injuryEndodontic instruments

Research Overview

Medical diagnosis assistance and prevention of diseases and injuries through measurement-device development, mechanical testing, constitutive modeling and computational analysis, focusing on mechanics of diseased arteries, endodontic treatments, prevention of pressure injury

Division of Biological Mechanics



Biofluid Engineering

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- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)
 Flow visualization
 Blood flows
 Hemolysis and Thrombus formation
 Shock wave drug delivery systems
 Micromachine with
 concentration Marangoni
 effect engine
 Fractal analysis and network of
 arterials
- arterials

 Biomechanical Analysis of Brain Injury by Fall

Research Overview 1.Computational and experimental studies of Hemolysis and Thrombus formation in blood flows, 2. Application of Shock Waves and Ultrasonic to Drug Delivery Systems, Water treatment, Tissue Engineering, 3.Development of driving force of micromachines by investigating chemotaxis of neutrophile, Keyword:Bio-fluid dynamics, Bio Medical Engineering,CFD, Shock Wave

Division of Biological Mechanics



Bio-microdevices

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Research Overview

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Keywords

- MicromachineMEMS(Micro Electro Mechanical Systems)
- Micro-nanofabrication Surface modification
- Cell culture Cell analysis
- Biosensing
 Microliquid handling

Using microfabrication and surface modification, we are developing biomedical microdevices such as microfluidic devices for single-cell analysis,

microelectrode array devices for extracellular potential measurement, microhole array devices for production/ separation of extracellular vesicles, etc.

Division of Biological Mechanics



Functional Biomaterials

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Development of novel biomaterials for tissue repair

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Research Overview

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Keywords

Biomaterial

 Biocompatible material Ceramics

Hybrid material

Artificial bone

 Artificial joint Cancer treatment

Development of biocompatible materials for repair and regeneration of bone, tooth and nerve Development of ceramic processing with low energy consumption inspired by the biological system Development of microparticles for cancer treatment.

Division of Biological Mechanics



Intelligent machine

Department of Biological Functions Engineering

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Study on soft sensors and actuators, and applications to medical, welfare and industrial technologies

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Keywords

Smart soft materials

Soft actuator

Endovascular treatment

Tactile sensor

Surgical simulator

Stiffness control

 Riomimetics Biotribology Research Overview

Applications of shape-memory materials and artificial muscle to a human-interactive robot. Development of soft tactile sensor. Development of device placement simulator for endovascular treatment.

Division of Biological Mechanics



MEMS-based biomedical engineering

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MEMS, Microfluidics for oncological studies

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Keywords

- MEMS
- Micro Total Analysis Systems
- MicromachiningMechanical characterization
- Real-time measurement
- DNA
- Tumor cell
- On-chip analysis

Research Overview

Applying MEMS (Micro Electro Mechanical Systems) technology to biological research at the molecular, cellular, and tissue level. Development and characterization of novel microfluidics for mechanical, chemical, and genetic assays for oncological studies.

Division of Biological Mechanics



Harmonic Functional Materials

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Development of harmonic functional materials towards medical and environmental applications

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Keywords

Functional materials

- Ceramics Metals
- Organic molecules
- Tissue regenerative medicine
- Environmental purification

Research Overview

Development of composite materials (ceramics, metals, and organic molecules) that exhibit multifunctions in response to stimuli emitted by living organisms. Development of synthetic processes for composite materials with controlled structures at molecular order. Development of materials for tissue regeneration medicine and environmental purification.

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Functional Interface Engineering

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Establishing technology from elucidation of interface functions: leading to solutions to social issues

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Keywords

- Functional interface
- New energy
- CO₂ fixation Radical chemical process Phases and Interfaces

Research Overview

We are developing research to realize various functional interfaces (reaction fields) by elucidating the functions of heterogeneous interfaces. "Chemical resource conversion of nitrogen, oxygen, and water (phase interface reaction technology)", "interface that converts CO2 into resources", "process technology with low environmental load", "safe decomposition of harmful substances", etc.

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Microbial Biotechnology

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Advanced Biotechnologies using Unique **Microbial Functions**

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Keywords

- Metabolic Engineering
- Protein Engineering
- Genetic Engineering Environmental Biotechnology
- White Biotechnology
- Bioremediation Environmental Bio-adaptation
- Bacterial interaction

Research Overview

Unique microbial functions can be elucidated and improved using biotechnologically-engineered approaches to construct an innovative technology which should be useful to the environment and human society.

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Biopolymers, Structure and Function

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Design, synthesis, and conformational analysis of peptide-based artificial functional molecules (Peptide nanostructures, peptide-based drug design, etc).

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Biological Recycling

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Keywords

Recycle

Sustainability

Research Overview

Research interests are on biomass resources and waste utilization towards sustainable circular economy. Ongoing topics are bioenergy production from microalgae, composites using nano/microfiber from plant biomass such as bamboo, and upgrade recycling of waste plastics.

Keywords

- Peptide Protein
- Enzyme
- Amino acids
- Organic Synthesis

- Molecular design

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Photo-functional nanomaterials

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Spectroscopic analysis on semiconductor photocatalyst and development of photocatalytic system for light-energy conversion

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Keywords

- Photocatalyst
- Photoacoustic spectroscopy
- Nanomaterial

Research Overview

Analysis of photo functional material using photoacoustic spectroscopy, Development of photocatalytic system for light-energy conversion.

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Associate

Biomolecular Engineering

Development and application of functionalized

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nanomaterials using biomolecular

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Keywords

- Functionalized peptide
- Bioprocess
- Genetic engineering
- Recombinat protein
- Biopesticide Drug screening
- Biosensor Nanoparticle

Research Overview

I have been studying the development of functionalized nanomaterial combined with biomolecule and nanoparticle, and application of functionalized biomolecular to bioprocess such as the production of recombinant protein.

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Environmental-Benian Functional Materials

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Design and evaluation of functional materials based on biomass and/or waste with a high-

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Keywords

- Sustainable Society
- Additional value
- Material Recycling Malaysia
- Global Issue
- Polymer Materials
- Organic Synthesis

added value forward to sustainable society

Research Overview

We aim to realize a material cyclical society based on both environmental preservation and economy. Highly value-added functional materials based on characteristics of waste and biomass are established and evaluated.

Division of Environment Conscious Chemistry and Bioengineering



Catalyst Electrolytic Engineering

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Efficient and selective electrochemical conversion of substances

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Keywords

- Catalytic metal electrode
- Plating technology
- CO. fixation Energy and environment
- Electrochemistry

Research Overview

Our research has committed to solving environmental and energy problems with the catalytic a metal electrode that can produce the efficiency substance. The catalytic metal electrodes have been developing and also analyzing the reaction mechanism and the produced substance. We will

pursue research in the field of clean cycle chemistry (Tri-C) and achieve the goals of the SDGs.

Division of Green Technology



■ Functional Thin Film

Vapor Deposition

Magnetic Material

Solid Lubrication Bearing

Keywords

Research Micro-Technology

Professor, Ph.D. Iwao SASAKI

The research on the upgrading of the materials for Mechatoronics equipments

Research on functional materials utilizing the

unique phenomena, which are prominent in a micro/

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Research Overview

Mechatronics

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Mechatronics Control to fit in human society

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Keywords

- Mechatronics
- Control Theory Motion Contro

Research Overview

As robots are good examples, mechatronic devices are now used in various fields as well as in the industry. Therefore, in addition to research on the high-speed and high-accuracy performance required by the industry, we also study mechatronics technology that is kind to people and supports them.

Division of Green Technology



^{ch} Energy

Tohru KATO Visiting Professor, Dr.Eng.

Research on hydrogen production technology by steam electrolysis, high-efficiency fuel cell technology, etc.

Keywords

- Hydrogen production
- High temperature steam electrolysis
- Electrochemistry Ceramics

Research Overview

Research on electrochemical device technology such as high-temperature steam electrolysis cells that realize high-efficiency conversion of renewable energy to hydrogen, high-efficiency fuel cells and batteries used for conversion and storage between secondary energies such as electric power and hydrogen.

Division of Plant Life-cycle Engineering



Plant Life Cycle Engineering

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Keywords

- Plant Life Cycle
- Robot welding Image analysis
- Thermal elasto-plastic analysis
- Equipment diagnosis Welding repair

Research Overview

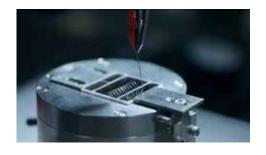
Plant Life Cycle Engineering (Research on autonomously controlled robot welding, and Research on thermal elasto-plastic analysis of welds and optimization of welding order)



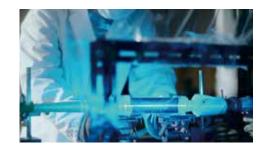




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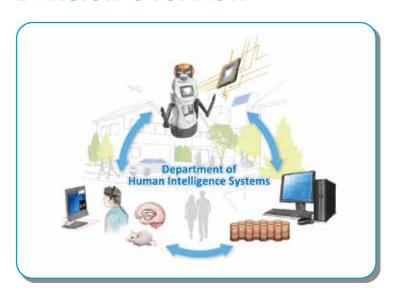




DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS

Graduate School of Life Science and System Engineering

Division Overview



Department of Human Intelligence Systems aims to incorporate the principles of human intelligence into intelligent information processing platforms and artificial intelligent systems, as well as to actively contribute to the development in the industry.

The research and education in this department covers but is not limited to (i) advanced development of mechanical systems and devices such as intelligent autonomous robots, (ii) intelligent information system development and artificial intelligence algorithms design that incorporates the principles of human reasoning, (iii) scientific analysis of social activities and human intelligence by using mathematical modeling, brain science and cognitive science in general.

Divisions



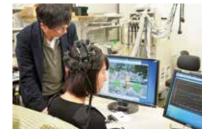
Division of Human Intelligence and Machines

Division of Human Intelligence and Machines is teaching and researching in the fields of robotics and devices, which could realize human-like intelligence by utilizing rational and significant structures as well as functions of biological organisms to achieve low-energy consumption, harmony with the environment, and human-friendly behavior. Through the teaching and research, we will bring students up to be persons and professionals who are actively involved in the global world with to create new public services, new business, and new social value.



Division of Intelligence Systems and Emergent Design

The division is engaged in the design of new technologies and theories that are inspired by human intelligence. It is a form of societal engineering focusing not only on cognitive functions of recognition, learning, and reasoning, but also on social abilities with emotions, Kansei, and communications. This field requires the study of mathematical modeling, informatics, and systems engineering toward a comprehensive understanding of computation in brain-body-environment interaction and an advanced development of intelligent partners and platforms.



Division of Human Interaction and Brain Functions

It is important to study the relationship between the function of the brain, and the nature of society made by humans to clarify human intelligence. In this division, we study the characteristics of neurons of which the brain consists, the information processing in which many neurons are involved, behaviors as results of the processing, and the communication mechanism of humans in a society.

Cooperative Divisions

The Division of Human Behavioral Sciences specializes in teaching and researches for explicating emergent mechanisms and building explanatory models of interactions between cognitions/emotions and actions, of innateness and constraints, in sports activities and of language, both rule-based cognitive behaviors unique to humans.

Department of Human Intelligence Systems

Division of Human Intelligence and Machines



Research Field Robotics

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Research on field robotics and their applications to social problems

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Keywords

- Wheeled mobile robot for rough terrain
- Underwater robot
- Omni-directional mobile robot
- Sewer pipe inspection robot
- Motion control system
- Neural networks

Research Overview

Development of mobile robots for outdoor environment, irregular terrain, underwater, sewer pipe. Environment recongnition system, self-localization system, adaptive learning system, motion control system, bio-inspired information processing, etc.

Division of Human Intelligence and Machines



Research Intelligence Emerging Nanosystems

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Design, development, and integration of nanodevices for artificial intelligence hardware

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Keywords

- Intelligent information processing nanodevices
- Artificial intelligence nanodevices
- Neuromorphic nanodevices Integrated circuits for nonlinear dynamical nanosystems and nanostructure device design

Research Overview

Research and development of electric nanodevices for artificial intelligence hardware, whose target is to generate new electrical functionalities by using the circuit of the nanodevices

Division of Human Intelligence and Machines



Research Arga Human function substitution systems

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Research on developing functional substitution system for the disabled/the elderly people based on human sensory/motor characteristics

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Research on developing human-friendly assistive

device/substitution system for the disabled/the elderly people based on psychophysical analysis of

Keywords Research Overview

- Human interface
- Assistive technology
- Functional substitution Biological information
- Biological data
 measurement
- Rehabilitation engineering

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human sensory-motor systems.

Keywords

- Brain-like computer
- Softcomputing
- Digital hardware design

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Professor, Ph.D.



Research Area Brain-like Computer System

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Research Overview

- hw/sw complex system
- Home service robotics

A brain-like computer system laboratory aims to realize a brain-like computer based on a hardware/ software complex system and its application to embedded systems on home-service robots.

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Brain-Like Intelligent Machines

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Keywords

- Learning by watching
- Skill acquisition Motor learning
- Autonomous robots
- Image processing Neural network

Research Overview

Development of learning by watching robot, skill acquisition robot, motor learning robot, welfare robot.

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Bio-inspired artificial vision

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Keywords

Bio-inspired system

Embedded system

- Visual information processing Robot vision
- Research Overview

Development of living creature observation/ manipulation technique using robot, Simulation of the visual nervous system, Development of Bio-inspired robot vision system, Trials of their techniques in field,

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Research Field Robotics

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Development of control system and technology for fielḋ robot

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Motion analysis

Autonomous underwater robot

Research Overview

To reliably accomplish the mission, our laboratory develops robot that robustly navigates in actual environment, and its elemental technology. We survey actual environment using developed robot and system to benefit society.

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Research Nanomaterial Intelligence

Assistant Professor, Dr. Sci.

Yuki USAMI

Creation for brain-inspired information processing system by nanomaterial

Keywords

- Hybrid material
- Mesoscopic physics Neuromorphic computing
- Nanostructure analysis Molecular electronics In-materio reservoir

Research Overview

Research and development of nanoscale various basic physical properties of organic/inorganic materials for extracting flexible bio-inspired function. Creation of unconventional nanodevices by circuitization and deviceization from nanomaterial function.

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Brain-like AI Systems

Specially Appointed

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Research and development of brain-like AI models and circuit architectures.

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Keywords

- Brain-like information processing
- Analog integrated circuits
- Robot control
- Reinforcement learning

Research Overview

Research and development of integrated circuit models of brain functions to achieve extremely low energy consumption, targeting service and assistive

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Research Brain-like Integrated Systems

Specially Appointed Takashi MORIE Professor, Dr.Eng

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Keywords

- Brain-like artificial intelligence
- Vision and image recognition model
- Integrated systems for robots
 Integrated circuit for nonlinear dynamical system
- Analog integrated system

Research Overview

Research and development of brain-like processing models, new functional devices and digital/analog integrated circuits (VLSI) and systems mainly targeted to service robots toward achieving brain-like

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Research Brain-like Integrated Circuit, and Nonlinear Dynamical Systems

Assistant Seiji UENOHARA Professor, Dr.Eng.

Design and development of integrated circuits, devices and systems for brain-like artificial intelligence

Keywords

- Brain-like artificial intelligence Integrated circuits for nonlinear dynamical syster
- Mixed signal integrated circuits
- Nonlinear time-series data analysis

Research Overview

Research of brain-like processing models, integrated circuit (VLSI) design toward high efficiency brain-like artificial intelligence and its social implementation.

Division of Intelligence Systems and Emergent Design



Research Area Learning theory of brain-like artificial intelligence

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Learning theories of brain-like artificial intelligence and mathematical modeling of behavior development

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Keywords

- Brain-like artificial intelligence
- Self-organizing systems
- Neural networks Machine learning
- Behavior development

Research Overview

Our destination is to develop the learning theory and its algorithms, which enable us to discover general rules and intrinsic information underlying the given datasets. Typical themes are higher-order modeling through meta-learning and multi-task learning. Besides, we also challenge to model children's behavior and development.

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Research Area Human and Social Intelligence Systems

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Keywords

- Robotics
- Soft robotics Artificial intelligence
- Biomechanics Biological signal processing
 Brain science
- Medical welfare
- Low-cost signal monitoring equipment
 Control

Research Overview

We are promoting the development of prototypes and performance evaluation of assistive robots in collaboration with a variety of players, including the elderly, the disabled, and medical, nursing, and care workers, with the primary goal of applying them to medical and welfare applications.

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Research Area Intelligent Information Processing Systems

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Research Brain-Inspired Robotics and Intelligence Dynamics

Investigating principles of neural dynamics,

abilities to understand biological intelligence

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body kinetics/morphology and societal

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Keywords

- Behavior analysis Communication analysis
- Estimation of personality
- Intelligent data analysis
- Intelligent image processing Learning system

Research Overview

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Professor, Ph.D.

URI

The Research aimed at estimating and classifying individual characteristics by measuring and analyzing human behavior. Besides, we pursue optimization of the intervention method based on analysis results and aim to apply it to real-world society, especially data analysis involving humans

Hiroaki WAGATSUMA

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Research IoT / Big Data

Professor, Doctor of **Engineering**

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Research Overview

We develop human activity recognition from smartphones and sensors, and their services. We also cultivate AI by collecting medical and nursing care big

Keywords

- Nonlinear dynamics
- Emergent intelligence
- Episodic memory and emotion Societal robot
- Computational neuroscience Neuroinformatics
- Sport biomechanics Rehabilitation support

Research Overview

We explore systems design inspired by biological emergent intelligence, through an understanding of what makes us human (intelligence), how we are embodied in the environment (body kinetics/ morphology), why emotional and social aspects are so important to us (sociality). Our mathematical modeling and investigation are applied to the design of an artificial intelligence, robot development, and rehabilitation tools.

Keywords

- man Activity Recognition Web / Ubiquitous
- Application of Machine Learning
- Big Data Application for Healthcare/ Nursing
- Behavior Change

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Research Area Kansei Information Processing, Soft Computing

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Designing information system based on Kansei Information Processing

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Keywords

- Kansei Information Processing
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Soft Computing
- Cognitive Psychology
- Intelligent Image Processing
- Information System Design

Research Overview

We study on Kansei Information Processing as one of Human-Computer Interaction research. The research aims to design appropriate information system based on psychological, social, and technical analysis. Research topics include human-centered design, soft computing, usability, and affordances, conceptual models and interface metaphors, human cognitive models, information, and interactivity structures.

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Research Area Bioinspired Intelligence Systems

Associate Professor, Shuhei IKEMOTO

Robots/Algorithms inspired from biological systems

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Research Overview

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Keywords

- Bioinspired robot
- Bioinspired algorithm
- Learning control
- Stochastic resonance

Behind sophisticated abilities of living organisms are the mechanisms that exploit demerits, e.g., complexity/flexibility of body and unignorable noise, as merits. Toward understanding and applying the mechanisms, academic studies about biologically inspired systems based on robotics have been conducted.

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Statistical learning theory

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Learning theory of information geometrical meta-modeling

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Keywords

- Meta-modeling
- Multi-task learning
- Meta-learning
 Bayesian inference
- Machine learning
- Stocastic process
- PAC learnin Information geometry

Research Overview

The aim of our research is to develop the learning theory and its algorithms for meta-modeling, which enables to discover meta-knowledge by modeling a set of knowledges or models. The proposed framework is applied to cognitive science and robotics.

Division of Human Interaction and Brain Functions



Research Area Neuronal rhythm and Brain Machine Interface (BMI)

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The relationship between the generation of neuronal rhythm and memory process

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Keywords

- Neuronal rhythm ● EEG
- Circadian rhythm Hippocampal
- Brain machine interface
- L2 English learning
- Music rhythm esports
- Research Overview

We study experimentally on the generation of neuronal rhythm and compute the rhythm on the computer. We also developed the e-learning system for Japanese English learners using BMI technology.

Division of Human Interaction and Brain Functions



Research Area Team Management

Professor, Ph.D. Doosub JAHNG

A Story of diverse individuals becoming one as

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Keywords

- Team Communication
- Occupational Health Marketing
- Kev Words Meeting[®]
- Versatile Educational Tools Comprehensive Health Resources Integrated Solution

Research Overview

For diverse individuals to agree with each other and become one as a team, innate needs, learned knowledge/skills acquired needs from personal/ environmental circumstances, self-action, health resources and communication become essential. We conduct research on the factors above by utilizing both people's conceptual needs and experimental/ statistical designs to further our study on team management.

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Mathematical Neural Network

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Neural coding and Neurodynamics

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- Keywords
- Neural coding
- Hippocampus Medial entorhinal cortex
- Memory
- LearningGlass catfish
- Electroreceptor

Research Overview

Our interests are complex behavior of neural activity and theoretical investigation on neural coding in the brain. Specifically, we are currently researching neural network models of the medial temporal lobe.

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Research Neuroscience

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Taste transduction mechanisms

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Ca²⁺-imaging

Keywords

Single cell RT-PCR

Immunohistochemistry

 Action potentials Confocal laser microscope Signal transduction

We investigate the cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying the signal processing occurred in mammalian taste buds and we contribute to develop a new signal processing based on features of taste buds.

Division of Human Technology



Research Area Systems Intelligence

Visiting Professor,

Hiroshi NAKAJIMA

Basic and applied research on intelligent system development

Keywords

- Intelligent system
- Soft computing Computational intelligence
- Causal analysis Social intelligence
- Systems healthcare Health management Machine learning

Research Overview

Research and development on algorithms of intelligent systems by studying soft computing, statistical analysis, and social intelligence in humanmachine collaboration systems with application studies

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Division of Human Technology



Research Area Vision Sensing

Visiting Professor,

Masaki SUWA

Basic and applied research on intelligent vision system

Keywords

- Vision Sensing
- 3D Sensing
- Physics-based Vision
- Pattern Recognition

Research Overview

Research and development on vision sensing technologies such as object detection, 3D surface reconstruction and reflectance property analysis, for applications in factory automation or society's infrastructure.

Division of Human Technology



Biomimetic Robot System

Visiting Associate Professor,

Takayuki MATSUO

Development of Robot Systems based on motion control and information processing system of animals

Keywords

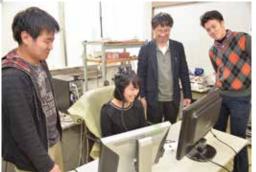
- Biomimetic robot
 Adaptive control
- Nonlinear oscillator Neural network

Research Overview

Development of mobile robot systems inspired by mechanisms of animals for irregular terrain, underwater and so on.



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INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES

List of overseas dispatched students in FY2019 (by country)



The tuition and other fees are shown below. Only a limited number of students can get exemption of full or half of fees through a selection procedure. Tuition and other fees, **Application fee: ¥30,000** and exemption **Enrollment fee: ¥282,000** Tuition fee: ¥267,900 per half year Students can apply for various scholarships financed by our university and other foundations. The monthly stipend is from ¥20,000 to ¥140,000. Scholarship, research assistant and Doctoral course students may get about ¥45,000 per month as a professor's assistant. living cost The monthly cost of living in Kitakyushu city is approximately from ¥60,000 to ¥80,000 including house rent and utilities. Students can apply to stay in the international student housing (Sakura House) in Wakamatsu campus. However, as we have limited rooms available, not all students will be Accommodation able to stay at Sakura House. The rent of Sakura House is from ¥11,800 to ¥18,100 per month. A tutor, who is current student in the laboratory, can help you with your study and daily life in Tutor Japan. This tutor system is available for the first three months after enrollment. Students can take the appropriate Japanese language class. Japanese language class

English Information for international students in our web site is as follows.

http://www.kyutech.ac.jp/english/

LSSE STUDENTS



Department of Life Science and Systems Engineering Pandey Lab.

Ms. Suraya SHABAN

Why Kyutech?

I joined an exchange program of UPM-Kyutech back in Autumn 2017, where I visited Pandey Laboratory for the first time. Then due to this collaboration, I came Kyutech again as JASSO supported student for the short internship in Summer 2019 by the end of my Master at UPM. I saw the potential of continuing my PhD in the area of dye-sensitized solar cell research with Dr. Shyam D. Pandey, which led me to apply for the MEXT Scholarship.

About Research

Currently, I am continuing my research on the Bifacial and colorful Dye-Sensitizer Solar Cells, which is an improved version of transparent solar cells with capability of the light harvesting from both of the front and rear sides of the solar cells. Such kind of solar cells not only provide an amicable solution for solar tracking of the solar cells but also harvest more light energy per unit installation area.

Best point of Kyutech

Collaborations within Kyutech and universities worldwide gives opportunity to students for exploring the possible research around the globe and expand the horizon of the research through the mutual scientific and cultural exchange.

My recommended place from Kyutech

You should try to go to the library with the lake view. So relaxing and I enjoy a lot there.

What surprised me most in Japan

Japanese, who can speak Bahasa fluently. Surprisingly, I met most of them in Kitakyushu area. Most of them went to South East Asia for logistic.

What kind of life

I speak English in campus and Japanese, when I am outside. The language barrier is not so huge. I enjoy meeting new friends and I am now in a community of Japanese, where they invite me to join party and travel together when they celebrate any events. I feel so much welcomed here.

My future dream

I want to pursue my dream becoming a lecturer in electronics specialized in Renewable Energy.

Department of Human Intelligence Systems Yoshida Lab.

Ms. Dian Christy SILPANI



To be in a good and supportive research environment is very important for me and Kyutech have it. I was introduced to Yoshida sensei before I actually selected as a student in Kyutech. She really understand about my gap year. She directs but at the same time gives me the opportunity to explore many things independently.

About Research

I always feel that doing research is like riding on a roller coaster. Hard to start, getting harder during the process, but there is always a finish line. Currently I'm on a roller coaster of studying the concept of Human Robot Interaction with focus on human and Robot behavior based on gesture and image recognition.:)

Best point of Kyutech

Yoshida Laboratory is like a family, where everybody live in a friendly environment including Sensei along with all lab members.

My recommended place from Kyutech

There is a circular room on each floor near the elevator, which is excellent for wide and pleasant view outside. If you want to relax for a while from research and small refreshment it is best place. Nevertheless, it is beside my laboratory.

What surprised me most in Japan

Very good in terms of customer service.

What kind of life

Almost three years in Japan. I start from Japanese language school then enter master degree, and still enjoy to living here. I live in an apartment with tatami, I love to travel, a big fan of Ramen and Japanese culture.

My future dream

I want to be someone who is an expert in the field. I am studying and working in an International based Technology Company.



Wakamatsu Campus in Kitakyushu Science and Research Park



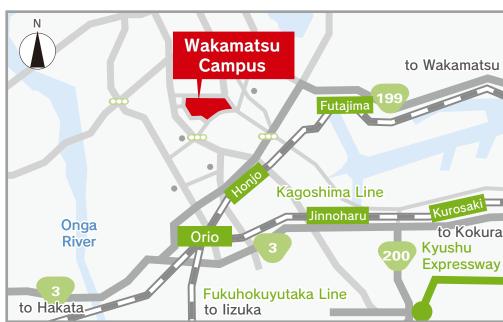
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Kitakyushu Science and Research Park





Commute Time From Major Cities	
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Tokyo — Kokura ·····	About 4H45M
Shin Osaka — Kokura	About 2H
Hakata — Kokura ·····	About 17M

 Tokyo — Kitakyushu
 About 1H35M

 Tokyo — Fukuoka
 About 1H40M

 Seoul — Fukuoka
 About 1H10M

 Beijin — Fukuoka
 About 2H15M

 HongKong — Fukuoka
 About 2H50M

From Kitakyushu Airport — About 60M
From Kitakyushu Airport — About 70M
From Fukuoka Airport — About 70M
From Kokura Station — About 35M
From Orio Station — About 10M

Other Campuses of Kyushu Institute of Technology



Tobata Campus



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ADMISSIONS

	Examination Date	Application period
The 1st selection	July 2, 2022	May 31 - June 9, 2022
The 2nd selection	August 28, 2022	July 25 - August 5, 2022
The 3rd selection	October 8, 2022	September 7 - 21, 2022
The 4th selection	February 4, 2023	December 30 - January 12, 2023

[%] For interview and oral examinations will be conducted through the Internet.

How to apply

Find a laboratory in your desired field and contact the faculty member.







Online Registration Website

Admission Application Guidance



