

List of Supervisors and Research Fields

Master's Course

Transdisciplinary Life Science Course, Division of Life Science

Laboratory	Supervisors		Research Topics
Bioinformation and Molecular Science	Professor	Makoto Demura ★	membrane protein, NMR, photobiology, rhodopsin, peptide, structural biology, biomimicry, ion-pump, flash-photolysis, multidrug resistance http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/infana/
	Lecturer	Takashi Kikukawa ★	
	Assistant Professor	Takashi Tsukamoto ★	
	Professor	Min Yao	structural biology, protein crystallography, protein science, biophysics, nucleic acid, translation, pathogenic bacteria, SBDD http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g6/
	Associate Professor	Toyoyuki Ose	
Assistant Professor	Koji Kato		
Professor	Makoto Demura ★	NMR, peptide, protein, structural biology http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g5/	
Associate Professor	Tomoyasu Aizawa ★		
Professor	Tamiki Komatsuzaki ★	theory, single molecular biophysics, systems biology, time series analysis, protein functions, plant cell biology, nonribosomal peptide synthetase http://mlns.es.hokudai.ac.jp/	
Assistant Professor	Goro Nishimura ★		
Biomaterials Science	Professor	Jian Ping Gong ★	tissues, soft & wet material, hydrogel, strength, toughness, friction, lubrication, biomaterial, artificial cartilage, regenerative medicine, biomineralization http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g2/
	Associate Professor	Takayuki Kurokawa ★	
	Assistant Professor	Tasuku Nakajima ★	
	Assistant Professor	Daniel R King ★	
	Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Takayuki Nonoyama ★	
	Professor	Kenji Monde	chemical biology, chirality, vibrational circular dichroism, bio organic chemistry, organic synthesis, chiroptical spectroscopy http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/infchb/
Assistant Professor	Tohru Taniguchi		
Assistant Professor	Yuta Murai		
Professor	Nobuyuki Tamaoki	motor protein, synthetic molecular machine, organic synthesis, photochemistry, smart molecules, molecular assembly, light energy, nano machine http://tamaoki.es.hokudai.ac.jp/	
Assistant Professor	Yuna Kim		
Assistant Professor	Kazuya Matsuo		
Assistant Professor	Yoshimitsu Sagara		

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Functional Cellular Science	Professor Professor	Hisashi Haga ★ Kazushige Kawabata	cell mechanics, mechanosensing, collective cell migration, cancer invasion, anisotropic gel, self-organization, diffusion, polymer physics, biomechanics http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g3/ http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g1/
	Assistant Professor	Kazuya Furusawa ★	
	Professor Associate Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Tokiyoshi Ayabe Kiminori Nakamura Naoya Sakuragi	mucosal immunity, innate immunity, Paneth cell, antimicrobial peptide, α -defensin, dysbiosis, microbiota, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, lifestyle disease http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/infsig/
Functional and Regulatory Life Science	Professor Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Masataka Kinjo Akira Kitamura Johtaro Yamamoto	fluorescence correlation spectroscopy, cell biology, live cell imaging, biophysics, protein aggregation, protein misfolding, nuclear receptor, wavefront control http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/infmcd/
	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor	Shin-Ichiro Nishimura Hiroshi Hinou Fayna Maria Garcia Martin	drug discovery, biopharmaceuticals, antibody, glycoconjugates, glycomics, biomarkers, chemical biology http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g4/
	Professor	Toshiaki Koda	
Functional and Regulatory Life Science	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor	Toshiyuki Nakagaki ★ Katsuhiko Sato ★ Shigeru Kuroda ★	physical ethology, biomechanics, cell biology, mathematical modeling, active soft matter, nonlinear dynamics, field work http://pel.es.hokudai.ac.jp/
	Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Ryota Uehara	
Biomolecular Adaptation Science (Inter-field Cooperation with AIST)	Visiting Professor Visiting Professor Visiting Associate Professor Visiting Associate Professor	Sakae Tsuda Yasuo Komatsu Hidemasa Kondo Yu Hirano	antifreeze protein, gene expression analysis, protein structure, oligonucleotide, functional RNA, oligonucleotide therapeutics http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/g_renkei/top.html https://unit.aist.go.jp/bpri/bpri-bimo/research_kakusan.html

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Functional Genome Science	Professor	Atsushi Kato	gene expression, genome evolution, non-coding RNAs, retrotransposon, heat stress, epigenetic effects, plants, arabidopsis http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/grp/keitai/sci.hokudai/KeitaiIII_mail.htm
	Assistant Professor	Hidetaka Ito	
	Associate Professor	Kazuhiro Kitada	model animals, human diseases, genome modification, gene function, mouse, rat https://sites.google.com/site/kitadalab/
	Professor	Sanae M. M. Iguchi-Ariga	protooncogene, mutagen, oxidative stress, cancer, neurodegenerative disease, cellular and molecular biology, proliferation, transformation, apoptosis http://www.agr.hokudai.ac.jp/emolb/index.html
Higher Order Cellular Functions	Professor	Kazuma Tanaka	cell polarity, phospholipid asymmetry, membrane traffic, flippase, yeast http://www.igm.hokudai.ac.jp/molint/index.html
	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Tetsuo Mioka Takuma Kishimoto	
	Professor	Tomomichi Fujita	plant, evolutionary development, stem cell, cell polarity, cell cycle, cell proliferation and differentiation, environmental stress, abscisic acid, moss, space utilization science http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/PlantSUGOIne/
	Assistant Professor	Ooikock Teh	
	Associate Professor	Masaaki Watahiki	auxin, feedback gene regulation, live imaging, plant morphogenesis http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/watahiki/mkwhp/index.html
Associate Professor	Kei Sonoyama ☆	gut physiology, prebiotics, probiotics, gut microbiota, allergy, metabolic syndrome, hibernation http://www.agr.hokudai.ac.jp/fbc/sonoyama/	
Associate Professor Assistant Professor	Kyoko Miura Yoshimi Kawamura	Naked mole-rat, cancer, longevity, aging, senescence, eusociality http://www.igm.hokudai.ac.jp/debanezumi/	

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Environmental Life Science	Professor Assistant Professor	Junji Yamaguchi Takeo Sato	environmental adaptation, ubiquitin-proteasome system, nutrient metabolism, signal transduction, nutrient stress, plant immunity, proteomics http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/CSF2-web/
	Associate Professor	Yukako Chiba	mRNA stability, stress response, arabidopsis https://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~yukako/
	Associate Professor	Yasuhiro Takada	psychophilic bacteria, cold-adapted enzymes, enzyme activity at low temperatures, cold-induced gene expression, regulation of gene expression http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~ytaka/takada.html
	Professor	Satoshi Naito	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> , translation arrest, mRNA degradation, methionine biosynthesis http://www.agr.hokudai.ac.jp/arabi/
	Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Ryouichi Tanaka Hisashi Ito Atsushi Takabayashi	photosynthesis, chlorophyll, cyanobacteria, algae, higher plants, arabidopsis, plant molecular biology, plant biochemistry http://www.lowtem.hokudai.ac.jp/plantadapt/ayumi/
Animal Behavior and System Control	Professor Assistant Professor	Toshiya Matsushima Nina Patzke	neuro-economics and foraging theory, impulsiveness and risk sensitivity, birds, imprinting (Toshiya Matsushima); comparative neuroanatomy, encephalization, large brains of whales and cetaceans, cognitive hypothesis, thermogenesis hypothesis (Nina Patzke) http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~matusima/chinou3/Welcome.html
	Professor Assistant Professor	Makoto Mizunami Hiroshi Nishino	learning, olfaction, memory, insect, microbrain, neuroethology, physiology, genetics, pest control https://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~mizunami/MICROB~2/ http://www.es.hokudai.ac.jp/labo/nishino/
	Professor	Hiroto Ogawa	brain, neuroscience, electrophysiology, imaging, information processing, neural circuit, coding, sensorimotor integration, insect http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~hogawa/index.html
	Associate Professor	Kazuhiro Wada	vocal learning, critical period, epigenetics, neural activated gene, songbird, neuroethology, genome, behaviour, DNA methylation, stuttering http://www.wada-lab.org/

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Animal Behavior and System Control	Associate Professor	Masayo Soma	behavior, cognition, communication, bird song, learning, life history http://www.lfsci.hokudai.ac.jp/search/system/soma.html
	Associate Professor	Hitoshi Aonuma	Synthetic neuroethology, neurobiology, electrophysiology, neurorobotics, roboticbiology, neurogenetics, neuromodulation, social behavior, aggression, insect http://ncmac2.es.hokudai.ac.jp/index.html
	Associate Professor	Nobuaki Tanaka	sensory processing, neuroendocrine system, Drosophila genetics, pygmy squid http://www.cris.hokudai.ac.jp/tanaka/Lab/index.html
Reproductive and Developmental Sciences	Professor	Masakane Yamashita	oocyte maturation, spermatogenesis, meiosis, translational control, transgenic fish http://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~myama/seitai1/Welcome.html
	Professor	Yoshinao Katsu	endocrinology, steroid hormone, nuclear receptor, thermoreceptor, evolution, endocrine disruptor http://www.repdev-katsu.jp/index.html
	Professor	Asato Kuroiwa	sex determination, sex chromosome, evolution, spiny rat, chicken https://sites.google.com/site/kuroiwagroup/home
	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Shusei Mizushima Ikuya Yoshida	
	Associate Professor	Tomoya Kotani	oocyte, embryonic development, maternal factor, real-time imaging, zebrafish, mouse
	Associate Professor	Atsushi Kimura	transcription, epigenetics, gene regulation, long noncoding RNA, dual promoter-enhancer, reproduction, spermatogenesis, protease https://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~akimura/Molecular/Welcome.APK.html
Associate Professor	Katsueki Ogiwara	ovary, ovulation, follicle selection, endocrine regulation, mouse, zebrafish, medaka https://www.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/~kogi/Reproductive2/Welcome.html	

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Biochemistry	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Akio Kihara Takayuki Sassa Keisuke Obara Yusuke Ohno	lipid, membrane, biochemistry, metabolism, lipid mediator, barrier formation http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/seika/index.html
RNA Biology	Professor Lecturer Assistant Professor	Shinichi Nakagawa Hiroshi Maita Saori Yokoi	noncoding RNA, epigenetics, nuclear structures, RNA processing http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/RNAbio/index.html
Neuroscience	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Toshiharu Suzuki Hidenori Taru Saori Hata Tadashi Nakaya	cell biology, alzheimer's disease, synapse formation, vesicular trafficking by kinesin motor, alcadein, X11L, app, als, gene expression. http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/shinkei/index.html
Immunology	Professor Lecturer Lecturer Assistant Professor	Tadashi Matsuda Ryuta Muromoto Junichi Kashiwakura Yuichi Kitai	host defense, immunity, inflammation, infection, cytokine, oncogenesis, signal transduction http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/eisei/index.html
Biomolecular Science	Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Katsumi Maenaka Kimiko Kuroki Atsushi Furukawa	immunology, infectious disease, cell surface receptor, X-ray crystallography, protein engineering, biologics, drug discovery, chemical library screening, in silico screening, virology, microbiology http://convallaria.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/bunshi/
Natural Products Chemistry	Professor Lecturer	Toshiyuki Wakimoto Takefumi Kuranaga	bioactive natural products, isolation, structure elucidation, stereochemistry, structure-activity relationship, molecular targets, biosynthesis, drug leads, bioprobes http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/tennen/index.html
Fine Synthetic Chemistry	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Yoshihiro Sato Yoshihiro Oonishi Tsuyoshi Mita Ryohei Doi	organic synthesis, organometallic chemistry, transition-metal catalysis, asymmetric catalysis, natural product synthesis, utilization of gaseous molecules, green chemistry http://gouka.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/
Synthetic and Industrial Chemistry	Professor Assistant Professor	Shigeki Matsunaga Tatsuhiko Yoshino	synthetic organic chemistry, asymmetric catalysis, bimetallic cooperative catalysis, natural product synthesis, oligosaccharide synthesis based on new glycosidation method http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/yakuzou/

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Organic Chemistry for Drug Development	Professor Lecturer Assistant Professor	Satoshi Shuto Mizuki Watanabe Hayato Fukuda	medicinal chemistry: drug design http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/yuuki/index.html
Catalysis in Organic Synthesis	Professor Associate Professor	Tamotsu Takahashi Zhiyi Song	organometal, catalytic reaction, selective reaction, organic material, asymmetric synthesis http://www.cat.hokudai.ac.jp/takahashi/
Pharmacology	Professor Lecturer Lecturer Assistant Professor	Masabumi Minami Taiju Amano Hiroshi Nomura Natsuko Hitora	neuropharmacology, electrophysiology, emotion, pain, addiction, BBB http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/yakuri/index.html
Molecular Design of Pharmaceutics	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Hideyoshi Harashima Yuma Yamada Kouji Nakamura Yusuke Sato	drug delivery system, organelle-targeting, nanomedicine, gene delivery, siRNA delivery, intracellular trafficking, imaging, vaccine, cancer therapy http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/yakusetu/index.html
(Innovative Nanomedicine)	Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Hideyoshi Harashima Yu Sakurai Ikramy Abdel Raheem Khalil Ibraheem	vascular-targeted drug delivery, nanomedicine, active targeting, tumor, liver, adipose tissue, specific ligand http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/mirai/
Molecular Imaging	Professor Lecturer	Mikako Ogawa Hideo Takakura	molecular imaging, imaging probe, PET, optical imaging, MRI http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/bunseki/index.html
Clinical Pharmaceutics & Therapeutics	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Ken Iseki Masaki Kobayashi Katsuya Narumi Ayako Furugen	transporter, clinical research, cancer pharmacotherapy, infection control http://rinshoyakuzaigaku.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/

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Pathophysiology & Therapeutics	Professor Lecturer Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Hiroshi Takeda Kouji Nakagawa Naoto Okubo	inflammatory bowel disease, MIF, hypoxia, ghrelin, anorexia http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/org/byoutai01.html
Pharmacokinetics	Professor Associate Professor Assistant Professor Assistant Professor	Mitsuru Sugawara Yoh Takekuma Masato Sumi Yuki Sato	pharmacokinetics, transporter, drug metabolism, pharmaceutics http://www.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/lab_17.html
Center for Research and Education on Drug Discovery (Synthetic Drug Discovery)	Professor Lecturer Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Satoshi Ichikawa Fumika Yakushiji Takanori Matsumaru	organic synthesis, natural products, drug discovery, chemical library screening, in silico screening, intractable disease http://japanese-apricot.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/gouseiyaku/
Center for Research and Education on Drug Discovery (Biologics and Drug Development)	Professor Specially Appointed Professor Specially Appointed Associate Professor Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor Specially Appointed Assistant Professor	Katsumi Maenaka Akira Matsuda Naoyoshi Maeda Izumi Kato Takao Nomura Hideo Fukuhara Syunsuke Kita Takashi Tadokoro	biologics, drug discovery, chemical library screening, in silico screening, intractable disease http://japanese-apricot.pharm.hokudai.ac.jp/