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JR Chuo Line "Kokubunji Station "(South Exit)
 Keio Bus (Bus Stop #2)
 Bus #寺91 bound for "Fuchu Station via Meisei Gakuen,"

Get off at "Harumi-cho" bus stop About 10 minutes

Keio Line "Fuchu Station " (North Exit)

Keio Bus (Bus Stop #3)

Bus # 寺 91 bound for "Kokubunji Station via Meisei

Gakuen,"

Get off at "Harumi-cho" bus stop About 7 minutes

 JR Musashino Line "Kita-Fuchu Station" About 12 minutes walk

### Koganei Campus

2-24-16 Naka-cho, Koganei-shi, Tokyo 184-8588

• JR Chuo Line " Higashi-Koganei Station"

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• JR Chuo Line " Musashi-Koganei Station" (South Exit)
About 20 minutes walk





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Challenge to the global Problems of "food" and "energy"



# Message



Prof. Masaharu Kameda

TUAT aims to become a world-leading research university through scientific exploration of agriculture, engineering, and related interdisciplinary fields. In 2016, to strengthen our advanced research capabilities, TUAT established the Institute of Global Innovation Research (GIR). At the GIR, we promote international collaborative research in the three key fields of Food, Energy and Life Sciences. We also endeavor to further the careers of promising young researchers and assist them in working on an international scale.

Our strategic research teams welcome the world's leading researchers as core faculty members in each of our fields of research while encouraging TUAT researchers and students to study abroad to build a network for conducting advanced research through international collaborations

In 2020, we took our efforts further by establishing the Global Research Hub (GRH), which consists of research units that were formed from our strategic research teams. At the GRH, we strive to realize the establishment of independent research centers that also participate in international collaboration.

We will continue to promote the creation of new initiatives to further enhance our globally competitive research capabilities by building upon a foundation of international collaboration.

# 学長ビジョン



# 地球をまわす世界第一線の研究大学へ

Toward a world-leading research university that "Spins the Earth" - weaving science and society to create a globally sustainable world

# 人とかがやく Flourishing Together

持続発展可能な社会の実現・「地球をまわそう。」を理念に、農学、工学およびその融合 領域における科学的探究を通じ、次の時代のあるべき姿を示し努力する全ての人を尊重し、 人の価値を知的に社会的に最大に高める世界第一線の研究大学となることを目指す

In its founding 150 years ago, Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology laid the foundation for agricultural science and technology to sustainably secure food and to export the products obtained from the sericulture industry, or silk spinning, which was the key industry in Japan at that time. Against this background, we would like to present a vision of Spinning the Earth, which encompasses the history of this research institution as well as our current mission to weave together science and society in order to promote the sustainability of our planet.

- 学生の未来価値を拡張
  - Promote educational reform to increase students' future potential
- 世界を牽引する新分野・新概念を創成 戦略2
- 目指すべき社会の姿を提案・先導 戦略3 Provide and implement a knowledge-based society embodying how it should be
- ガバナンスの強化と大学経営の自律化 戦略4

Strengthen university governance and self-empowered management

# **Approaches**

## Three Priority Areas: "Food" "Energy" "Life Science" **World-leading Research**, **Promotion of Young Researchers**

a) Invite the world's leading researchers as core members of "Global Research Hub" and "Strategic Research Teams" for research collaboration.

Encourage students to conduct cutting edge research at GIR and to study

b) Flexible personnel system for promoting and fostering young researchers.

### **International Collaborative Research Center**

Global Research Hub

**1**Research Center of Informatics for Human-Animal Interaction **2 Research Center for Nitrogen** and Phosphorus Upcycling

World-leading research Global brain circulation of researchers



Priority Field 1 **Regional Biodiversity** Resistance of Plant **FOOD** Plastic Green

**Priority Field 2 Boost the number ENERGY** of international co authored papers Submission to highimpact journals

Solve energy problems through the development of capacitors/LEDs and application of ionic liquids. Li-Ion Battery Manufacturing **Environmental-friendly** Resource/Energy Process for the Production

**Environmental Stress** 

of Useful Compounds

**Biomass** 

Production

Solve the problems in food production

and environmental depletion

Conservation of

Priority Field 3 LIFE **SCIENCE** 

Development in advanced technologies on protein science and biomedical science.

| Disease    | Drug<br>Discovery | Health       |
|------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Microorgan | ism               | Cell Biology |

# History

- 2014 Established "Global Innovation Research Organization (GIRO)" launched with 9 Strategic Research Teams
- 2016 Reorganization of "GIRO" as "Institute of Global Innovation Research (GIR)" integrates all of the following organizations
  - · Global Innovation Research Organization
  - · Women's Future Development Organization
  - Organization for Promotion of Tenure-track System
  - Innovation Advancement Organization
- 2018 Launched "Field Group" and "Strategic Research Initiative for Interdisciplinary Field" in the GIR
- 2019 Removed "Innovation Advancement Organization" from the GIR
- 2022 Launched "Global Research Hub (GRH)" in the GIR Termination of "Field Group" and "Strategic Research Initiative for Interdisciplinary Field"
- 2023 Launched two research centers in the GRH
  - · Research Center of Informatics for Human-Animal Interaction
  - Research Center for Nitrogen and Phosphorus Upcycling

### Kajita Team

Elucidation of metabolic mechanism of biocomponents and development of various functional molecules



Dr. Shinya Kajita Division of Sciences for Biological System, Institute of Agriculture







Dr. Naoko Ohtsu Division of Science of Biological Production, Institute of Agriculture

Study of interactions between organisms

that contribute to crop cultivation

under environmental stress



### Ohtsu Tema Toyoda Team

Development of soil evaluation systems for environment-friendly sustainable crop production



Dr. Koki Toyoda Division of Sciences for Biological System, Institute of Agriculture



# Food

Food is one of the critical challenges that the international community is currently facing. Particularly, food shortages afflict many people living mainly in the Asia-Pacific region. Because these problems relate closely with global environmental concerns, "Food" as a priority theme encompasses both food production and environmental science to solve these issues.

# **Energy**

The rising energy consumption on a global scale in recent years is expected to continue, and energy issues should therefore be considered to be a great challenge facing humanity.

"Energy" as a priority theme addresses energy problems according to the application of capacitors, LED, and ionic liquids, while adding a new dimension to these research areas.

Fukutani Team

Elucidation of olfactory mechanism and

development of olfactory sensor

Sasaki Team

## Inada Team

Life Science

Life science has a significant

well-being and is an important

a solution for food and energy

science area that directs us to find

"Life Science" as a priority theme

pushes and precedes the edge of

protein synthesis and life science

technical possibility, mainly in

impact on our health and

issues as a fundamental

technology.

itself.

Development of disease-therapeutic molecules based on collagen degradation and metabolism through a Japanese-German-British research collaboration.



Dr. Masaki Inada Division of Biotechnology and Life Science, Institute of Engineering



Dr. Yoshifumi Itoh University of Oxford

# Fukuda Team

Formation of International Research Unit for Prediction Agriculture based on Spatiotemporal Multidimensional Data

Nakaba Team

Development of new characterization

methods of woody biomass

for a plastic-free society

Dr. Satoshi Nakaba

nstitute of Agriculture

Resources and Ecomaterials,

Division of Natural



Dr. Jirka Šimůnek

Riverside (U.S.A.)

University of California,

Dr. Shinji Fukuda **Institute of Global Innovation** Research



### **Fukuhara Team**

Study on mechanisms against abiotic and biotic stress responses in plants and its application



Dr. Toshiyuki Division of Bioregulation and Biointeraction, Institute of Agriculture



### Koike Team

Research on biodiversity and ecosystem conservation taking into account synergies and trade-offs of ecosystem services



Dr. Shinsuke Koike Institute of Global Innovation Research



# Tagawa Team

Deepening of control science for dynamic interfacial dynamics and their process and material applications

Research

Dr. Yoshiyuki Tagawa

Institute of Global Innovation





Kuroda Team

Protein Immuno-engineering against

infection outbreaks by variant viruses

Dr. Yutaka Kuroda

of Engineering

Division of Biotechnology

and Life Science, Institute

# Dr. Yosuke Fukutani

Division of Biotechnology and Life Science, Institute of Engineering

Dr. Hiroaki Matsunami Duke University, School of Medicine (U.S.A.)

# Ishida Team

Research on molecular mechanisms of Mathematical Modeling and Deep host manipulation by parasitic microbes Learning for Small-Data AI



Institute of Agriculture

Dr. Richard S. Nelson Oklahoma State University (U.S.A.)





Dr. Andrzej Cichocki Polish Academy of Science (Poland)

Dr. Kenta Umebayashi

Division of Advanced Electrical

and Electronics Engineering,

Institute of Engineering

Dr. Hiroshi Ishida

Division of Advanced

Mechanical Systems

Engineering

Engineering, Institute of

# Pongsathorn Team

Dr. Peter Kitin

United States Department of

Agriculture (USDA) (U.S.A.)

SMART= Strategic Mobility Alliance Research Team



Dr. Pongsathorn Raksincharoensak Division of Advanced Mechanical Systems Engineering, Institute of naineerina



# Kato Team

Watershed scale ecosystem services assessment through water saving irrigation with Smart Agriculture



Division of International Environmental and Agricultural Science, Institute of Agriculture

Dr. Tasuku Kato





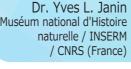
# Tanaka Team

Strategic center for sustainable manufacturing through blue transformation



Dr. Tsuyoshi Tanaka Division of Biotechnology and Life Science, Institute of Engineering





### Usui Team

Establishment of a research base using organoids from non-model organisms



Dr. Tatsuya Usui Division of Animal Life Science, Institute of Agriculture



# Kawano Team

Lipid Modalities: From Lipid Metabolism to Artificial Cell Membrane



Life Science, Institute of

Division of Biotechnology and

Dr. Takanari Inoue Johns Hopkins University (U.S.A.)

# Umebayashi Team

THz Information communication equipment based on cooperated analog and digital components



Dr. Janne Lehtomäki University of Oulu (Finland)



## Tominaga Team

Development of Functional Polymeric Materials for Next Generation Energy **Devices** 



Dr. Yoichi Tominaga Division of Applied Chemistry, Institute of Engineering

Dr. Jusef Hassoun University of Ferrara (Italy)

### Mobile Robot through the International Joint Research on Informatics, Robotics, Cybernetics, and Artificial Intelligence Dr. Ikuo Mizuuchi

Mizuuchi Team

Towards Three-Dimensional Autonomous



Mechanical Systems Engineering, Institute of

Dr. Václav Hlaváč Czech technical university (Czech Republic)

# Achievements - Strategic Research Teams

### **♦40 Countries, 156 Universities**



### **♦** Foreign Researchers Vising TUAT

|  |               | G. Total |  |
|--|---------------|----------|--|
| The state of the s | Asia          | 50       |  |
| The state of the s | Oceania       | 20       |  |
|  | North America | 114      |  |
|  | Latin America | 5        |  |
| Jana J   | Europe        | 117      |  |
| t Asia   | Middle East   | 3        |  |
| 16%<br>Oceania   | G.Total       | 309      |  |
| 6%   |               |          |  |
| North America<br>37%   |               |          |  |

# ♦2019 - 2021 Arakaki Team

Research Theme: Understanding and application of regulation mechanisms of hardness and toughness of biological hard materials

University of California Irvine (U.S.A.)



Prof. David Kisailus



TUAT

Arakaki

Title: Toughening mechanisms of the elytra of the diabolical ironclad beetle Nature 586, 543-548 (2020) DOI10.1038/s41586-020-2813-8



What are the benefits of conducting research at GIR?

- Trusted collaborators
- Opportunity for biweekly free-discussion with overseas collaborators
- ·Students entering a doctoral program

### **♦GIR Open Seminar**

| Number of GIR Open Seminar: 422 |    |  |
|---------------------------------|----|--|
| 2014 (Aug.~)                    | 18 |  |
| 2015                            | 44 |  |
| 2016                            | 41 |  |
| 2017                            | 58 |  |
| 2018                            | 73 |  |
| 2019                            | 88 |  |
| 2020                            | 21 |  |
| 2021                            | 30 |  |
| 2022                            | 49 |  |

### **♦**WoS International Co-authored Papers

|   | 2015 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|---|------|------|------|------|
| Number of Researchers                       | 400  | 378  | 386  | 392  |
| Number of Researchers (GIR)                 | 52   | 118  | 101  | 93   |
| ① Number of Co-<br>authored Papers          | 197  | 363  | 347  | 314  |
| ② Number of Co-<br>authored Papers<br>(GIR) | 42   | 176  | 190  | 131  |

### ♦2021 - 2023 Koike Team

Research Theme: Research on biodiversity and ecosystem conservation taking into account synergies and trade-offs of ecosystem services

University of Queensland (Australia)



Dr. Tatsuya Amano

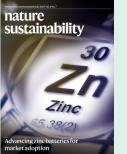


Prof. Munemitsu Akasaka

Title: The role of non-English-language science in informing national biodiversity assessments

Title: Organic carbon determines nitrous oxide consumption

Nature Sustainability 6 (7), 845-854 (2023) nature sustainability DOI10.1038/s41893-023-01087-8



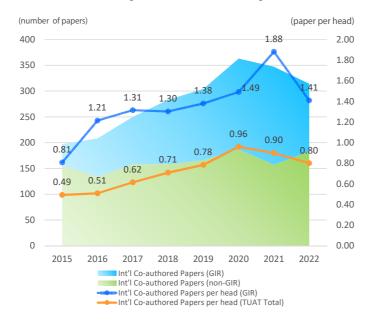
What are the benefits of conducting research at GIR?

- Less negative impact in the COVID-19 pandemic
- Positive impact on students by working with world's top researchers

### **♦ Press Release**

| Number of Press Releasee<br>GIR vs TUAT Total |         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 2014 (Aug.~)                                  | 5 / 15  | 33.3% |  |  |  |
| 2015  | 6 / 14  | 42.8% |  |  |  |
| 2016  | 9 / 21  | 42.8% |  |  |  |
| 2017  | 13 / 25 | 52.0% |  |  |  |
| 2018  | 13 / 27 | 48.1% |  |  |  |
| 2019  | 32 / 52 | 61.5% |  |  |  |
| 2020  | 26 / 47 | 55.3% |  |  |  |
| 2021  | 40 / 67 | 59.7% |  |  |  |
| 2022  | 35/61   | 57.3% |  |  |  |

### **♦** Number of WoS International Co-Authored Papers (GIR vs Non-GIR)



### **♦2018 - 2021 Terada Team**

Research Theme: A new nitrogen management system in water/wastewater treatment

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (Republic of Korea)





Prof. Akihiko

biokinetic insights Water Research 209, 117910 (2022) DOI10.1016/j.watres.2021.117910

activity of clade I and II nosZ bacteria: Genomic and

What are the benefits of conducting research at GIR?

- Deeply recognised the importance of submitting to top journals and improving the quality of research through the collaboration with world's top researchers
- · New overseas research collaborators through existing team members
- The increasing number of co-authors brings the opportunities to organize sessions at international conference, write opinion papers, and etc.
- Increasing number of co-author invitations