

Strategic Regional Innovation Support Program by MEXT  
(For Recovery from Tohoku Disaster)

Next-Generation Automobiles / Miyagi Area

Industry-Academia-Government Innovation  
for Next Generation Automobiles:  
Development of New Products and Systems  
from Research Activities of Universities

# Project Overview

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Tohoku Economic Federation Tohoku University  
Miyagi Prefecture  
The 77 Bank  
Intelligent Cosmos Research Institute



## **To All People around the World,**

We thank you very much for your enormous support and encouragement for our recovery and reconstruction in the areas devastated by the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake and Tsunami. Although we still experience many difficult days and have many problems, going through this hardship has also allowed us to find new ways to strengthen bonds that invigorate our attitude toward reconstruction and revival.

In this situation, the automotive industry has largely been considered a major center of economic opportunity because of its economic reach. All over the Tohoku region but especially in Miyagi prefecture, the expectation for the automotive industry is enormous. Emblematic of this expectation is the recent startup of the Toyota Motor Tohoku Corporation. Our project the "Strategic Regional Innovation Support Program" supported by MEXT (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology). The project kicked off in July 2012 in order to realize the reconstruction and revival of Tohoku by the development of new products and systems through the collaborative efforts of industry, academia and government. This collaboration is primarily based on the R&D activities at Tohoku University. As a research-oriented university, Tohoku University has been involved in a number of collaborative efforts with worldwide business but less so with local businesses. As one might assume, the importance of developing local businesses is of the highest order for the recovery and revival in Tohoku Region. We understand that this is not an easy task. Thus since June, we tried a wide variety of events: Research information session for local business people, over fifteen lectures for human resources development and training, more than forty laboratory tours for local business people, our researchers were invited to tour local companies, and poster presentations by all laboratories which joined in this project. These events broke down the borders separating the university from local businesses and as a result many collaborations have begun to bloom. In the next few years this project will be promoting and strengthening them in an effort to further contribute to Tohoku's recovery and revival.

The objective of the booklet "Project Overview 2013" is to introduce you various activities in the project and hope to promote not only national level but also international level collaborations for the next generation automobiles. We believe that such global/local collaborations are highly important and indispensable for the reconstruction and revival of the Tohoku Region through the progress of a variety of local business.

We thank you in advance for your understanding and collaborations.

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## **Next Generation Automotives: Goal of the National Project in Japan**



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**Abstract :** On the basis of the successful contributions of Tohoku University to world-wide/national level science and technology, we are expected to further contribute to the progress of local and regional society especially after the big-earthquake and tsunami on March 11, 2011. In collaboration with local government, bank, academy, local bureaus of central governments, local economic organizations etc, in the present national project, more than 40 most-advanced laboratories of Tohoku University challenge to a variety of important targets in the next generation automotives.

### **1. Introduction**

Rapid progress of globalization in industry and economy has led to the increased importance of a variety of advanced academic activities in industrial research and developments. As one of the most active research universities, Tohoku University has contributed significantly to such progress of worldwide research and developments. Next target is to raise such a worldwide/national level activity to the progress of local industry and economy. After the big earthquake and tsunami, we are expected to contribute more in the local economy, especially in next generation automotives, one of the most important and emerging industries in Tohoku region.

### **2. Organization and Targets**

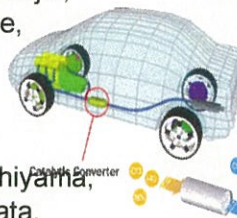
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In the project, these laboratories perform the following programs: (1)collaborations through human resources development and (2)collaborations through the use of advanced apparatus/instruments. Many coordinators in the local governments, the local organizations and Tohoku University promote collaborations among different laboratories and companies for next generation automotives.



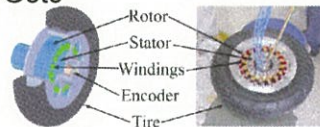
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Mikio Konno, Keiichi Tomishige,  
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Satoshi Sugimoto, Takashi Nakamura,  
Hiroki Goto



### C. Robot

Satoshi Tadokoro,  
Kazuhiro Kosuge, Masaru Uchiyama,  
Kazunori Ohno, Yasuhisa Hirata,  
Eijiro Takeuchi



### D. Wireless Charging

Hidetoshi Matsuki



### E. Battery (Optic, Hydrogen)

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Shinichi Orimo, Tomokazu Matsue,  
Hitoshi Takamura, Kazuyuki Tohji,  
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Shigetoshi Sugawa,  
Akira Yoshikawa,  
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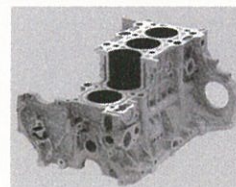
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Fig.1: Targets and researchers in the project of next generation automobiles(cf. [www.miyagicar.com](http://www.miyagicar.com))



# **Next Generation Automotives: Goal of the National Project in Japan**

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**1969-1989(20 years)**(Tohoku University, Nagoya University, Kyoto University)

- Experimental works about heterogeneous catalyses

**1987-2013(26 years)** (Kyoto University, Tohoku University)

- Computational works about catalysts and materials design to establish novel methodologies in chemistry for industrial innovations.

**2010-2013(4 years)** (Tohoku University)

- Collaborations among Academy, Industry, and Government for Next Generation Automotives



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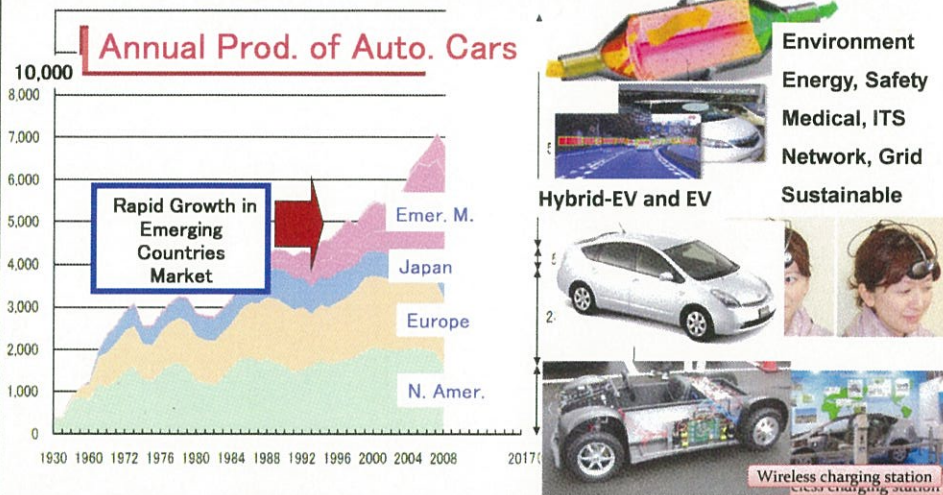
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## 7 Glowing Global/Local Market of Automotive Industry



**Next Generation Automotives, such as EV, HV, PHV  
Promote a variety of Technological Challenges**

## 8 Increasing Accumulation of Automobile Industry in Tohoku Region

Toyota Motor Corporation decided to place its compact car production base in Tohoku region. The base bears the role of development and designing for the next generation compact cars.

② Central Motor Co., Ltd. (Since 2007)  
Started manufacturing of Corolla and others in 2011, and established In-house Training School  
③ Toyota Motor Tohoku Corporation  
New factory for engines (2012)

① Kanto Auto Works, Ltd. (Since 1993)  
Manufacturing small HV "Aqua" since 2011

Accumulation of primary and secondary subcontracting companies (13 companies in the region)

In July of 2012, 3 Companies merged  
New company name is  
**Toyota Motor East Japan, Inc.**

Manufacturing system in Tohoku region to 500,000 cars annually  
Manufacturing capability of finished cars in Tohoku region increased with start-up of Central Motor Co., Ltd. (in Jan., 2011)



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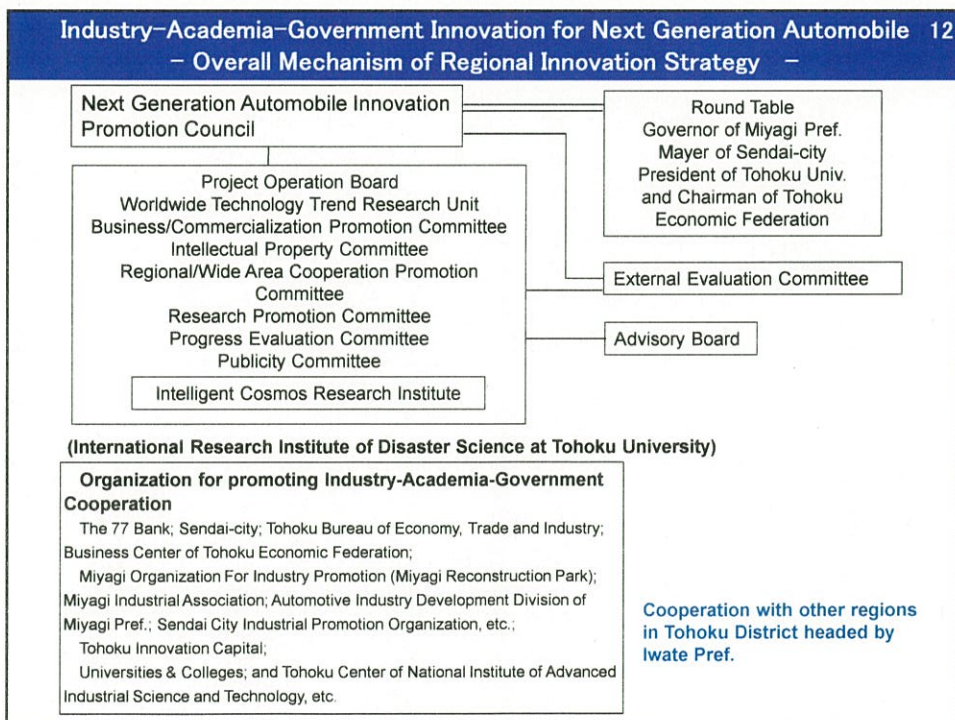
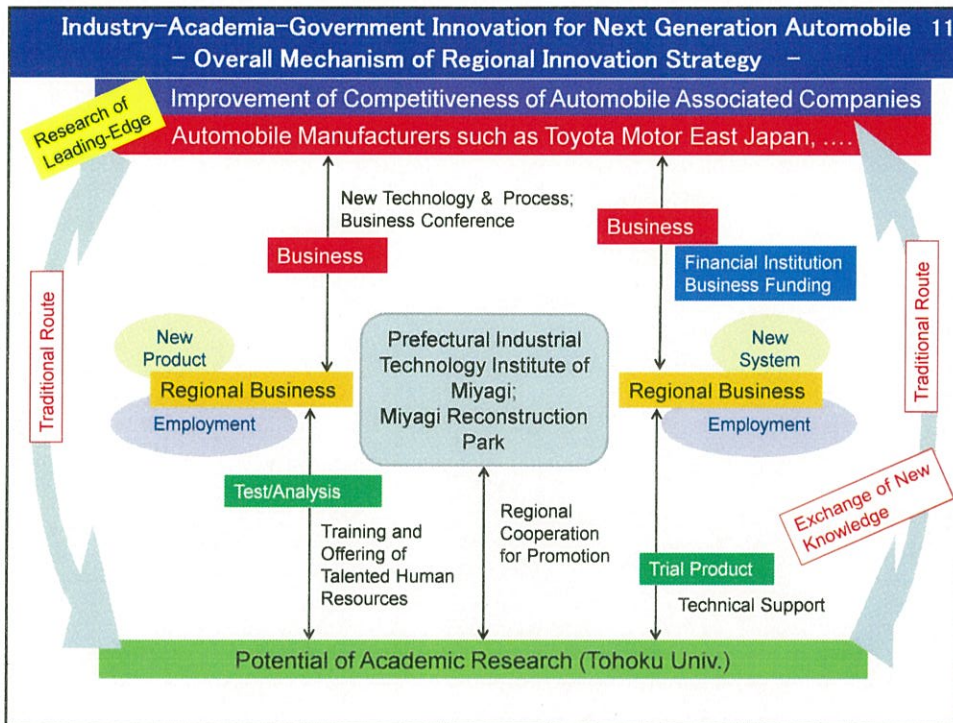
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Targets and Researchers in the Project of Next Generation Automotives



# Black heat shield paint utilizing nano/micro particles

Heat transfer control laboratory, Institute of Fluid Science,  
Prof. Shigenao MARUYAMA

## Goal of this study

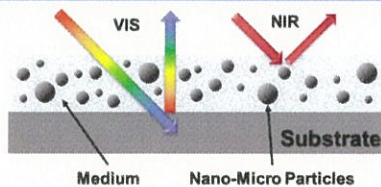
Development of spectral selective coating  
which reduces heating by sunlight but is black.

## Background

Typical black paint

→ Good appearance but high absorption of sunlight

To reduce cooling load with keeping appearance  
Cool black coating using micro/nano particle



## Method

Design the coating by theoretical calculation and  
evaluate the performance of coating experimentally



<http://toyota.jp/voxy>

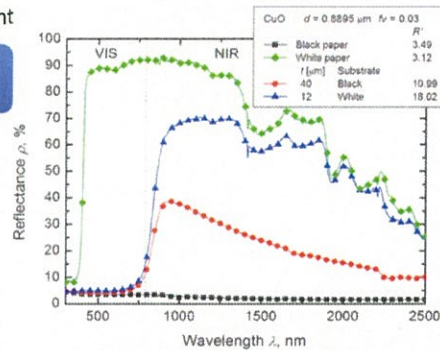


Fig. Spectral reflectance of cool black coating using CuO particle

## Surface/Interface Integrity assessment

### - Some Issues of Concerns in Casting and Forging in Automobile Industries

Prof. T. Shoji's Laboratory at NICHe

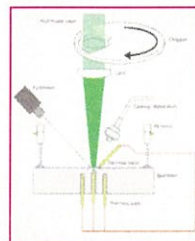
Modified from Nakayama's  
Presentation at Tohoku Univ.

	Pouring/Work setting	Shaping	Release	Cooling	
Shaping by Casting (Solidification)					..
Shaping by Forging (Plastic deformation Tribology, chemical wear)					..

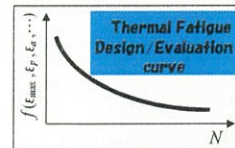


Cracked Die

Thermal fatigue in Die  
(Heat Crack)  
○Initiation Mechanisms  
○Propagation  
Characteristics  
○Design Review and CAE



Reproduction of Heat Crack



Heat Crack by Cyclic Heating⇔Cooling in Process



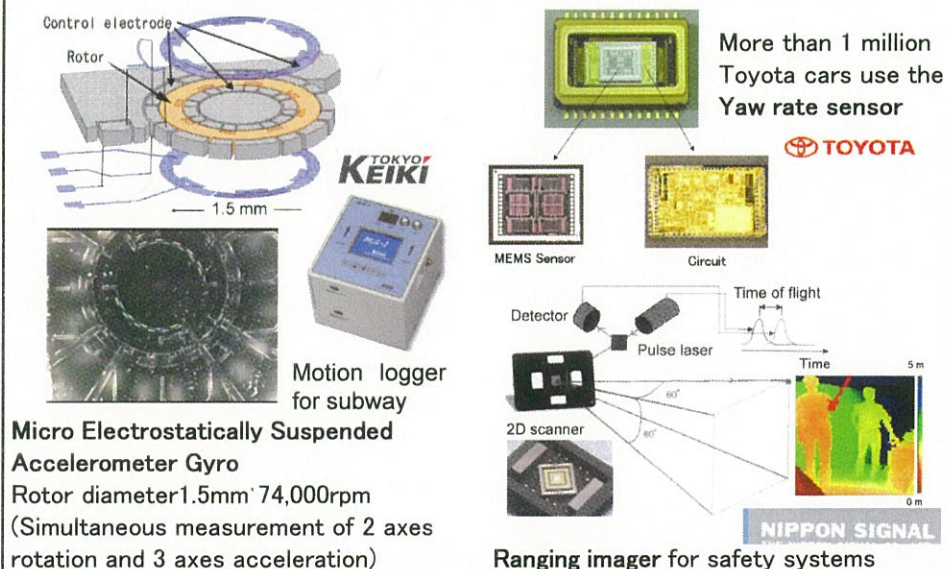
## System and Energy Maintenance Research

Lab. of Prof. T. Takagi, T. Uchimoto and H. Miki, Institute of Fluid Science



## MEMS Based Safety Systems for Automotives (Lab. of Prof. M. Esashi & S. Tanaka)

Open collaboration with industry, MEMS (Micro Electro Mechanical Systems)



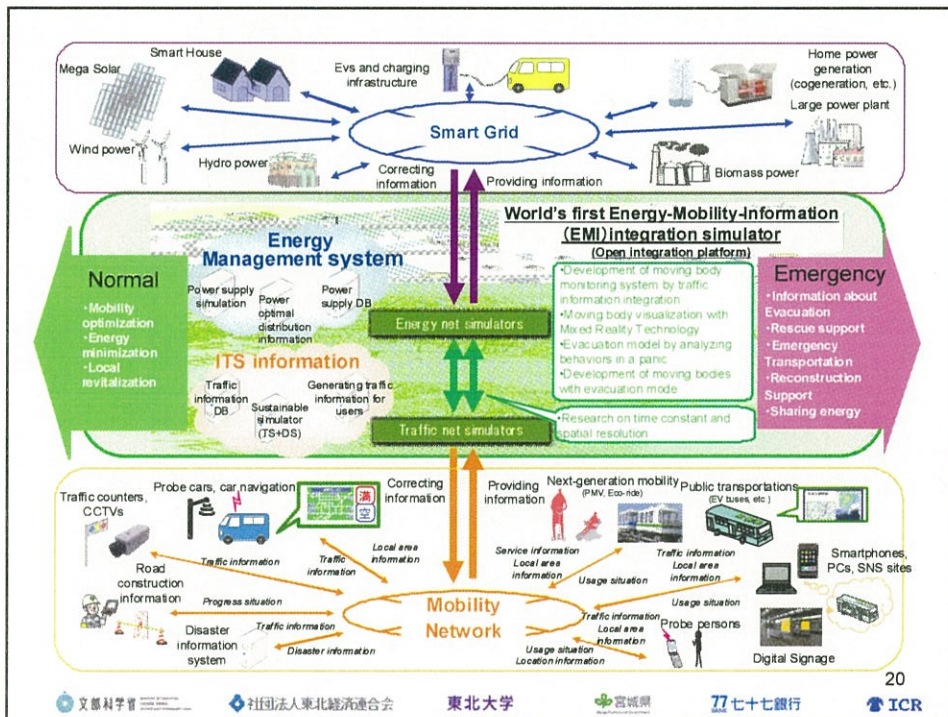
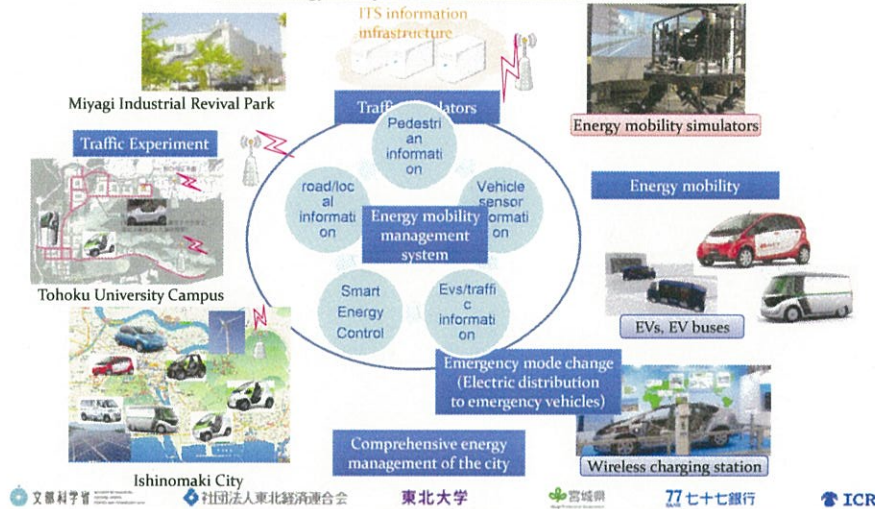


## Next-Generation Advanced Mobility Systems

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- Evaluation of IT integrated EV traffic/logistic system
- EV technology development research center Tohoku





## RT (Robot Technology) Research and Education for Safe and Secure Societies. (Tadokoro Lab., GSIS)



### 1. Rescue Robots and Rescue Systems.

Rescue robots and related technologies for victim search and information gathering in rubble piles of large-scale disasters are developed. Our laboratory has been a center of the world rescue robotics research with leading nationwide projects of Japan Government. Quince was developed for high speed search in under-ground malls at 2010. Quince was used for the investigation in buildings of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant whose function was lost by the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011, and showed the usefulness of the rescue robots over the world.



### 2. Actuation of Active Strings

Active or semi-active mobility of strings with small diameter is studied by applying new actuation principles. We have developed Active Scope Camera, which was used for forensic investigation of collapse of parking lot under construction in Jacksonville, USA in 2008 and 2010, and contributed to gather important evidences that could not be obtained by other robots and systems.



### 3. Intelligent personal mobility

Safety and convenience intelligent personal mobility are developed with autonomous mobile robot technology. The developed mobile robot technology realizes 1km autonomous navigation in public space at Tsukuba challenge 2009.



### 4. Haptics for Communication and Motion Support

Understanding human haptic functions, which are perceptual processes based on sense of touch, contributes to enhance our communication and physical motion capabilities. We have developed advanced haptic interfaces for real-time tactile communication on robot systems and intuitive interaction on mobile information devices. We also develop a haptic feedback technology to support human physical motion such as walking.



## System Robotics Laboratory



Human Intention Recognition



Robot Co-worker "PaDY"  
(in-time Parts/tools Delivery to You robot)



Stable Power Augmentation



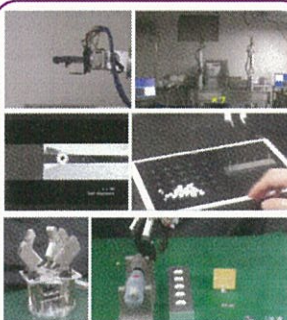
Human Robot Coordination



### Passive Robot Concept

Passive Walking Assist System  
Based on User's Intention

### Assistive Robotics



New Grasping System



### iCART Concept

Intelligent Car Autonomous-Robot-Transporters



Mobile Dual Manipulators Coordination

Parts Assembly by Dual Manipulators

### Human-Robot Interaction

### Design of New Robot Hands

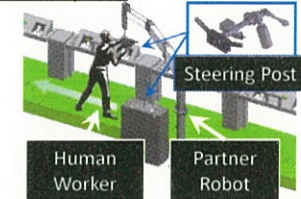
### Multiple Robots Coordination



# Application of Robot Technologies in Automobile Industry

(Lab of Prof. Uchiyama)

## A Partner Robot in Automobile Assembly Line



Test in assembly line



Developed partner robot

## Robotized Assembly of a Wire Harness in a Car Production Line



Assembly experiment with developed Prototype robot system



Task planning simulator

## Researches on Driving assistance of EV



Sensor test



Testbed

# Computer Vision Technologies for Automotive-based City Modeling

(Lab. of Prof. K. Deguchi and T. Okatani)

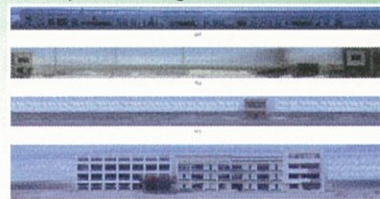
## Optical camera based image recognition

### A) Omni-directional camera based image recording

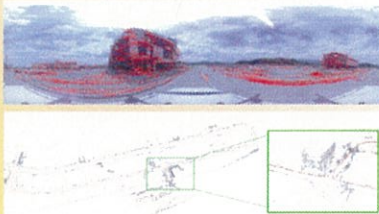
— An application for disaster area



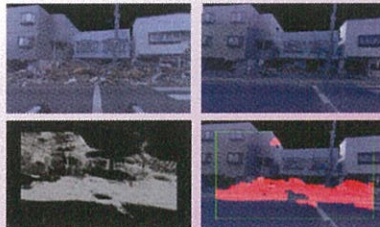
### C) Generation of street panorama image from sequential images



### B) 3D reconstruction of large space by Structure from Motion



### D) Temporal-change detection from sequential images





## Creation of Advanced Mechanical Systems By Control of Nanointerface (Adachi & Takeno Laboratory)

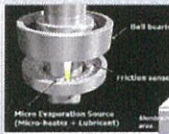
**High-speed  
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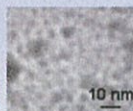
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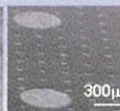
**Reliable & Durable  
Mechanical Systems  
(Self-restored Lubrication Systems)**



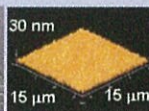
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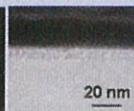
**Nano  
structure**



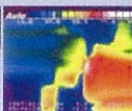
**Surface  
texture**



**Surface  
energy**



**Tribo-chemical  
reaction**



**Frictional  
heating**



**Frictional  
electrification**

**Optimization Technology and Tribologically-based Design  
for Advanced Green Mechanical Systems**

## Advanced Manufacturing Technology Led by Nano Precision Machining

**LAB**  
Kuriyagawa / Mizutani Lab.

**Powder Jet Deposition (PJD) for Creation of  
Secondary batteries for automobiles**

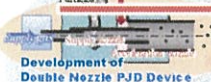
**Advantages of PJD Process**

High deposition rate

Vacuum free

Room temperature process

Batteries for  
Advanced Hybrid Vehicle



**Development of  
Double Nozzle PJD Device**



**~Energy storage!!**

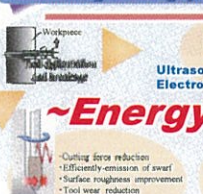


**SPH Simulation for Clarifying  
the Phenomena during Collision**



**MD Simulation for Clarifying  
the Adhesion Phenomena**

**Ultrasonic-Assisted Hybrid Machining for  
Manufacturing of Ultrahigh pressure Fuel Jet Injector**



**Ultrasonic-assisted  
Electrolytic grinding**

**~Energy Saving!!**

**Development of Three-dimensional  
Ultrasonic-assisted Machining Device**

**FEM Simulation for**

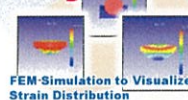
**High-speed High-quality Aspherical Glass Lens Molding**



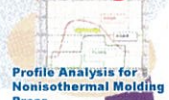
**Development of Aspherical  
Glass Mold Press Equipment**

**Aspherical Molding Die  
Fabricated by Precision Grin**

**~Safety and Security!!**



**FEM Simulation to Visualize  
Strain Distribution**



**Profile Analysis for  
Nonisothermal Molding  
Press**

**Functional surface creation techniques**



**Laser Microstructure Fabrication**

**~Comfortable Life!!**



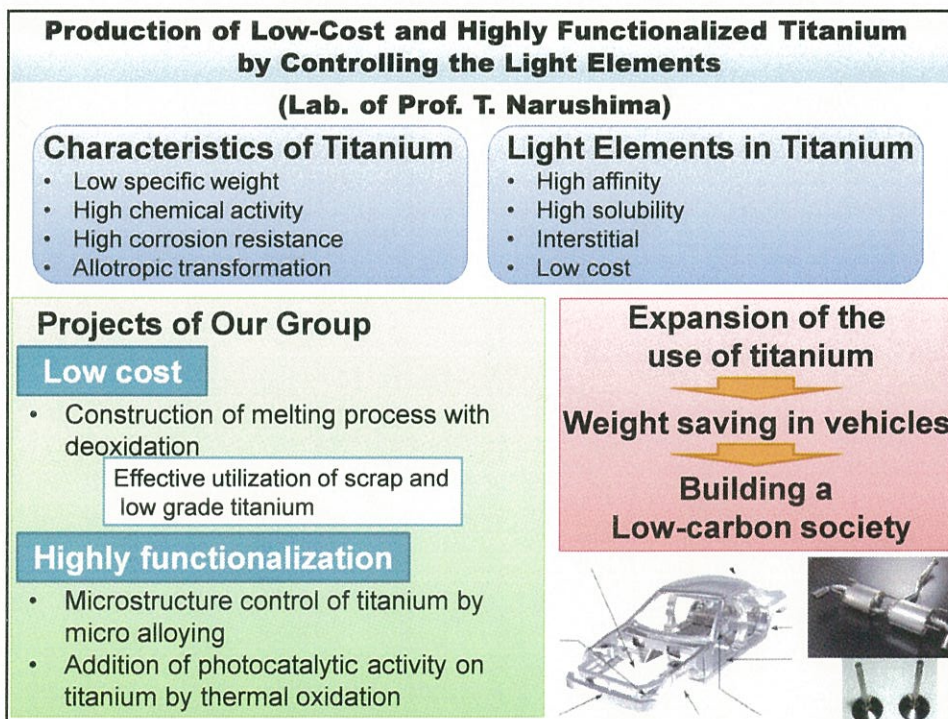
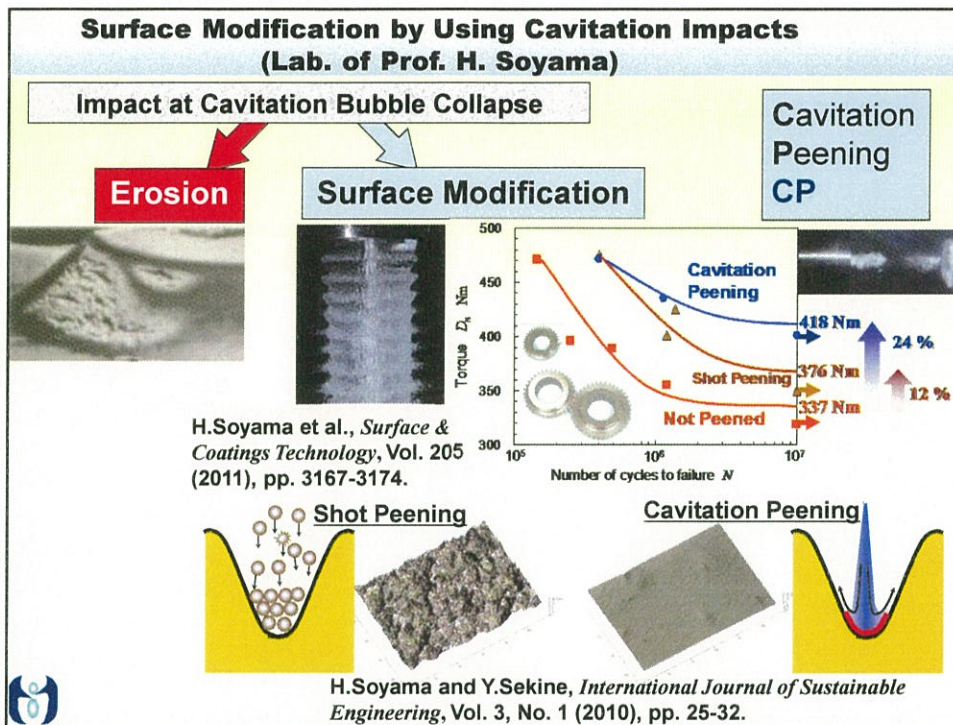
**Microstructure mold**



**Ultrahigh Precision Cutting  
for Fabrication of microgrooves**

**Ultrasonic-assisted  
grinding for**







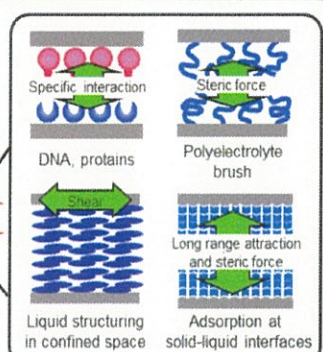
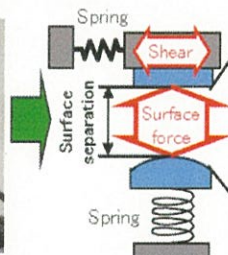
## Surface Forces Measurement for Nano-Surface Chemistry and Tribology

Kazue Kurihara (WPI Advanced Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku Univ.)

Our research aims at developing methods, including instrumentation, for characterizing surface (or interface) at the nano-meter level. Most of our research subjects are related to the surface forces measurement, which can directly monitor the interaction between two surfaces (attraction, repulsion and adhesion forces). We study phenomena occurring at the solid-liquid interface such as adsorption and structuring of liquids. Self-assembled molecular architectures and biological interactions are also studied. We have developed the resonance shear measurement which is a sensitive method for evaluating properties of confined liquid for nano-rheology and tribology. Twin-path surface forces apparatus we developed enabled us to study wide variety of samples such as metals and ceramics.

### Development of nano-scale measurement

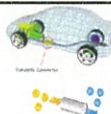
- Resonance Shear method
- Twinpath Surface Force Apparatus



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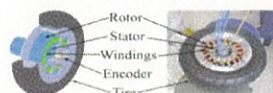


### E. Battery, Energy, Optics and Hydrogen

Junichi Kawamura, Shigenao Maruyama, Shinichi Orimo, Tomokazu Matsue, Hitoshi Takamura, Kazuyuki Tohji, Akira Miyamoto, Nozomu Hatakeyama

### B. Motor and Magnet

Fumihiko Hasegawa, Osamu Ichinokura, Satoshi Sugimoto, Takashi Nakamura, Hiroki Goto



### D. Wireless Charging

Hidetoshi Matsuki



### G. Interface and Tribology

Tetsuo Shoji, Toshiyuki Takagi, Koshi Adachi, Kazue Kurihara, Akira Miyamoto, Ryuji Miura



### F. Semiconductor

Tadahiro Ohmi, Shigetoshi Sugawa, Akira Yoshikawa, Toyohiko Konno



### H. Welding and Adjunction

Hiroyuki Kokawa, Akira Miyamoto, Nozomu Hatakeyama



### J. Vision Analysis

Tatsuo Uchida, Takafumi Aoki, Koichiro Deguchi, Masahiro Nishizawa



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Ryuta Kawashima, Masafumi Goto, Masayoshi Esashi, Naoyuki Narushima, Hidetoshi Matsuki, Tsunemoto Kuriyagawa



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Tsunemoto Kuriyagawa, Fumio Fujita, Koichi Anzai, Akihiko Chiba, Hitoshi Soyama



### L. Local Industry Policy

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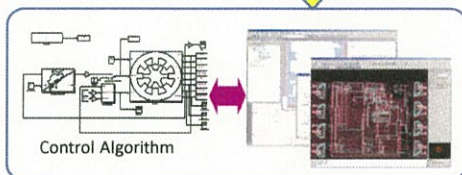
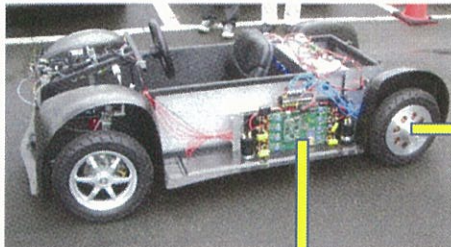


Targets and Researchers in the Project of Next Generation Automotives



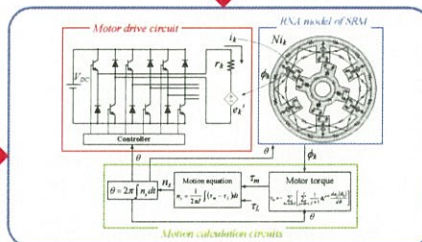
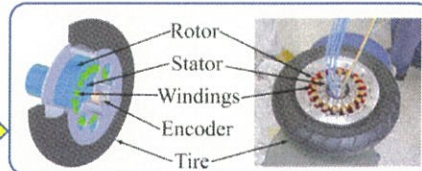
## Motor Technology for Next Generation Automotive (Lab. of Prof. O. Ichinokura)

### In-wheel Direct Drive EV



### Development of High Performance Motor Controller

### Optimum Motor Design

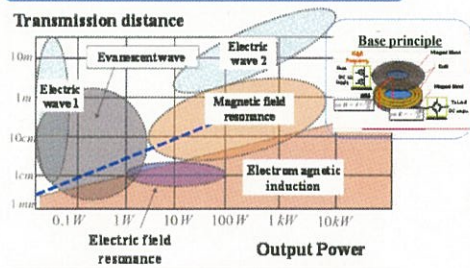


### Fast & Accurate Dynamic Motor Analysis<sup>31</sup>

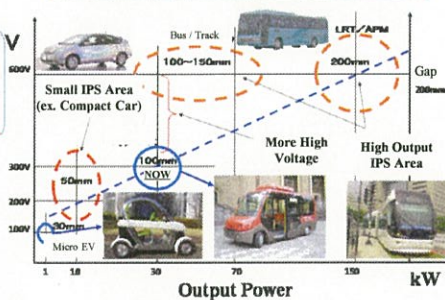
## Contactless Power Transmission System (Wireless Charging System)

Graduate school of biomedical engineering, Graduate school of engineering  
Matsuki, Sato Laboratory

- Wireless Power Transmission Technology
- Wideband Transmitting power (mW ~ 30kW)



- Wireless Power transmission system for EV



### LC-booster Technique



Battery less EV model car  
for Highway System



An actual 30kW  
Receiving Coil of EV Bus

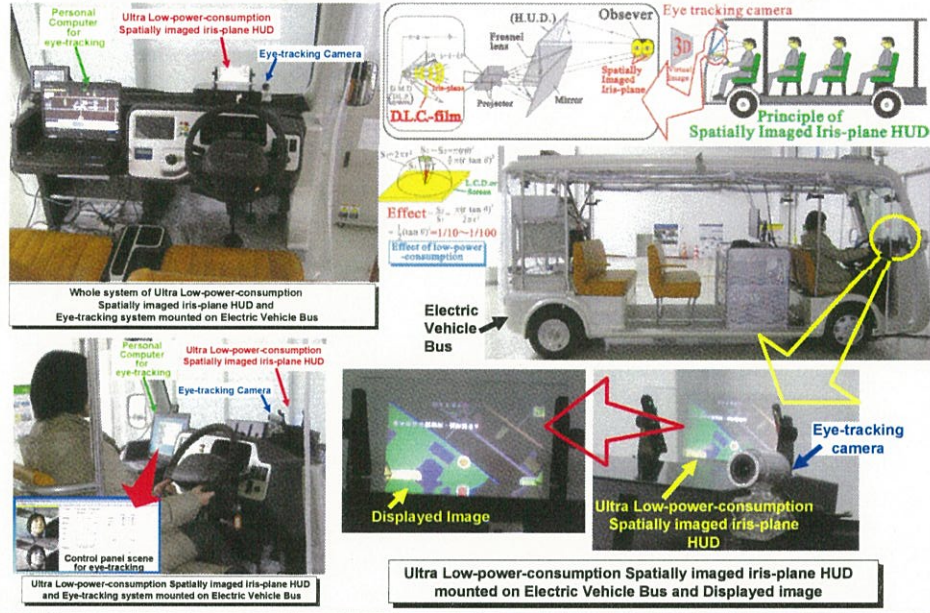


Image of Highway contactless power  
transmission system

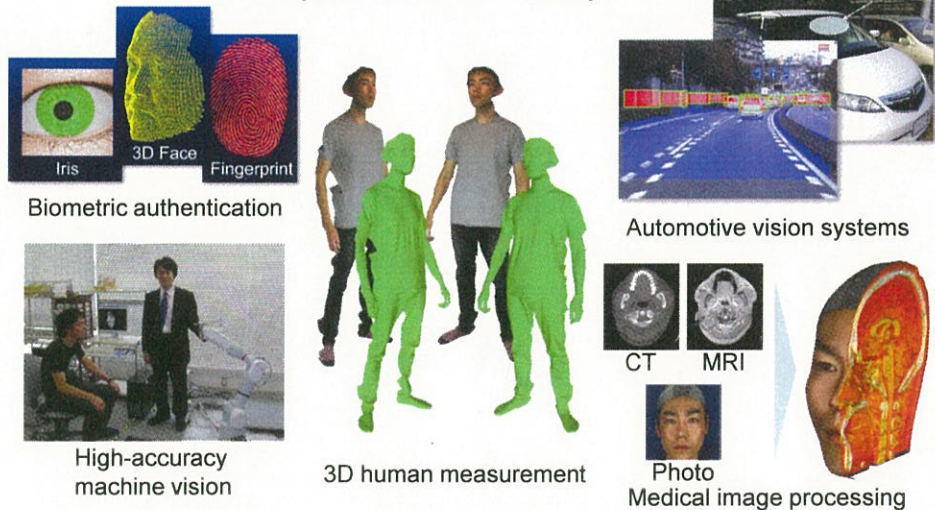
Hidetoshi MATSUKI, Fumihiko SATO  
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## Ultra Low Power Consumption Display for Next Generation Automotives: Spatially Imaged Iris-plane Head Up Display (Lab. of Prof. T. Uchida, Y. Suzuki and T. Kawakami)



## Image Sensing Technology Breaking the Limit of Pixel Resolution (Lab. of Prof. T. Aoki)



Applications of a technique for high-accuracy registration of 1D, 2D and 3D signals using phase information of discrete Fourier transform, called Phase-Only Correlation

## Dy-saving in Nd-Fe-B magnets: Lab. of Prof. S. Sugimoto

Hybrid-EV and EV



200 °C  
High temp.

High coercivity(Hc)

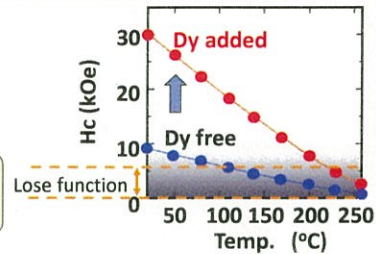
Dy addition on Nd-Fe-B

Price: Feb. 2012

Nd: ~145 \$/kg

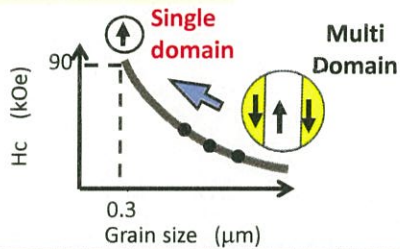
Dy: ~1800 \$/kg

Demand for high Hc without Dy

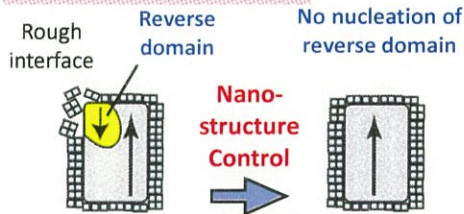


### Approach for Enhancement of Coercivity

#### 1. Grain Refinement



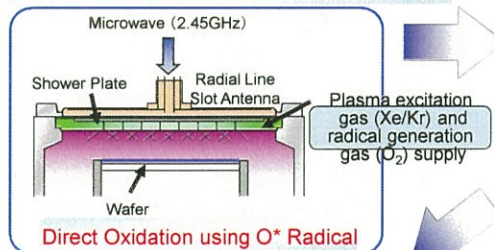
#### 2. Grain Boundary Control



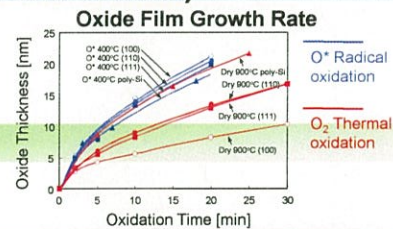
Possibility of Dy-free Nd-Fe-B Sintered Magnets with High Coercivity

## High-Reliability Power Semiconductor Device for Automotives (Lab. of Prof. S. Sugawa and T. Ohmi)

### Radical Reaction Based Semiconductor Manufacturing Equipment



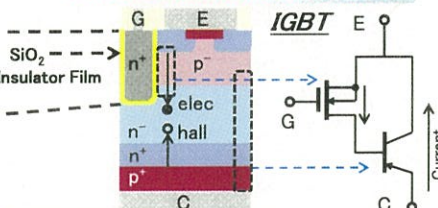
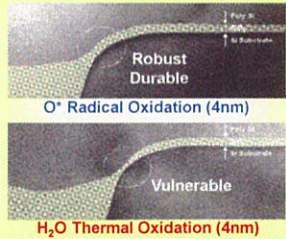
Direct Oxidation using O\* Radical



Growth Rate is Independent of Surface Orientation for O\* Radical Oxide Films

### Power Semiconductor Device

#### TEM Photograph of Shallow Trench Isolation (STI)



Very uniform SiO<sub>2</sub> film can be formed on all the surface orientations by using O\* Radical Oxidation

Reliable Power Semiconductor Device is realized by Radical Reaction Based Semiconductor Manufacturing Equipment



**Yoshikawa lab. ( NICHe, Tohoku Univ. )**  
 Akira Yoshikawa, Yuui Yokota, Shunsuke Kurosawa, Yasuhiro Shoji, Andrey Medvedev, Yoshisuke Futami

**Development of combustion sensor with shaped piezoelectric crystal**  
 ( H22 Support Industry & Global support  
 [Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry]  
 with TDK, Aoyama Seiko, Akira Seiko, KFN

**Combustion sensor**

- Improvement of combustion rate
- Reduction of emission amount of  $\text{NO}_x$

However, the production cost of piezoelectric crystal is too high.

**Shaped crystals can reduce the production cost.**

**Langasite-type**

**Test model of combustion sensor**

**Development of fiber crystal of alloy with difficult workability**  
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 with TKK, Star Seiki, TEP, Toei Kagaku Sangyo

**Heat-resisting crucible ( $> 2000^\circ\text{C}$ )**      **Growth of shaped crystal**

**Fiber crystal**      **Growth of Ir alloy fiber crystal can be achieved.**

**Applications**

**Spark plug**

**Guide wire**

**Stent**

Advanced Analyses of Materials

Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University

**Professor, Toyohiko J. Konno**  
**Associate Prof., Takanori Kiguchi**  
**Assistant Prof., Kazuhisa Sato**  
 pos-doc & graduate students

Phase transformation kinetics

Precipitation behaviors - mechanical properties

Oxide films - electrical properties

Metal/Alloy Nanoparticles- magnetic properties

<http://konno-lab.imr.tohoku.ac.jp/>

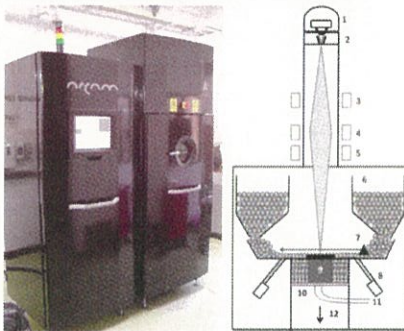


## Digital Manufacturing (Metal 3D printer)

~3D CAD to Metal Products~

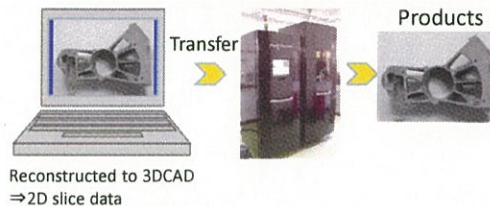
Lab. of Prof. Chiba

### Electron Beam Melting



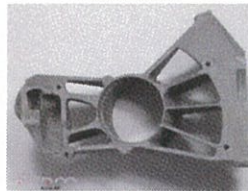
- ◆ Net shaping technique(Mold-less)
- ◆ Custom-made manufacturing
- ◆ Producing complex with solid dense metal and mesh metal

### 3D CAD to Metal Products

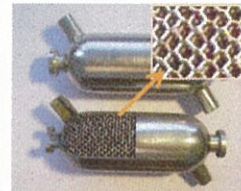


### Products

Gear Box



Filter



## Metallurgy and Recycling System for Metal Resources Circulation - Nakamura Lab.-

Institute of Multidisciplinary Research for Advanced Materials, Tohoku University

### For Achievement of Sustainable Society

Our aim is to develop the process technologies and social systems for metal recycling, waste detoxification and energy recovery based on the nonferrous metal smelting industries.

- Thermal and hydro processing for metal recycling and wastes treatment (Chemical Thermodynamics)
- Social system for sustainable society (Reduce, Reuse and Recycling of wastes and materials)
- New solution plasma process to synthesize metal-carbon nanocomposites (Environmental Material)
- Innovative processes of physical separation and washing technology using microbubbles and ultrasound (Physical Treatment)

### Our Research for Recycling Technology

- Development of recycling processes of waste Nd-Fe-B magnet using pyro-metallurgical process
- Developments of recycling processes of non-ferrous base metals such as Cu, Zn and Pb.
- Developments of recycling processes of waste plastics containing Brominated flame retardants.
  - Basic behaviors of degradation of Brominated flame retardants
  - Measurements of vapor pressures of various metallic borimides
- Development of a novel recycling process for funnel glasses from CRT

Concept and field of our research activities  
(linkage of process technologies and social systems)



### Nd-Fe-B Magnet Recycling from Car motor Dismantle of motor of HEV







Forming Process Technology  
Department of Metallurgy (Lab. of Prof. F. Fujita)

**Create New Shape**

Shaping Process  
Control Process  
Forming Limit

**Create New Quality of Material**

Strength  
Formability (Texture)  
Surface Texture

**Plastic Forming**

Rolling  
Roll Forming  
Pressing  
Forging  
Swaging  
Stretching  
Super Plasticity Forming

**Numerical Analysis**

FEM Analysis  
Process Simulation  
Theoretical Modeling

**Physical Analysis**

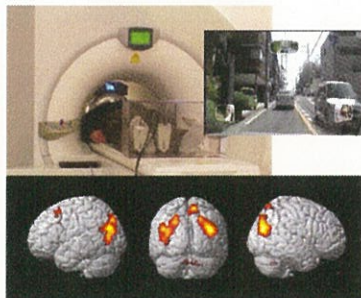
X-Ray Analysis  
SEM, TEM Analysis

Steel, Al-alloy, Mg-alloy,  
Ti-alloy



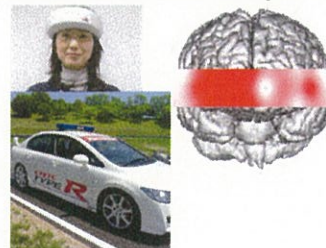
**Applying Information of Human Brain Activity for R&D**  
(Lab. of Prof. R. Kawashima)

**Functional MRI**



Brain Areas Involved in Hazard Detection

**Wearable Near Infrared Spectroscopy**



Brain Activity in the Prefrontal Cortex during Actual Driving

**Ultra-small Near Infrared Spectroscopy**



During Individual Thinking

	A	B	C	D
A	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
C	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
D	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

No interaction



During Well Communication

	A	B	C	D
A	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
C	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
D	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Synchronization

Synchronization of Brain Activity during Well Communication



Machine Control by Internal Thought





## Medical Application (Lab. of Prof. Masafumi Goto)

<http://www.tohoku-islets.com>, <http://www.cell-transplantation.med.tohoku.ac.jp/>

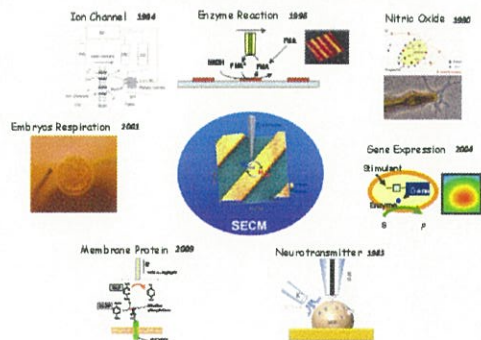
### Establishment of minimally invasive cell therapy for diabetes by introducing interdisciplinary approach



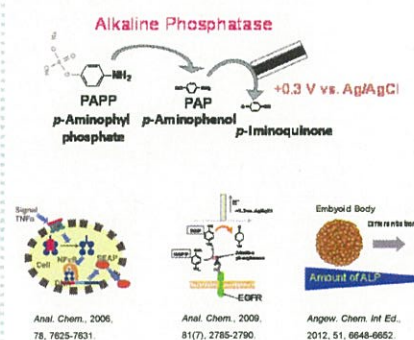
## Micro/Nano Scale Electrochemical Measurement for Biological and Battery Materials

### (Lab. of Prof. T. Matsue)

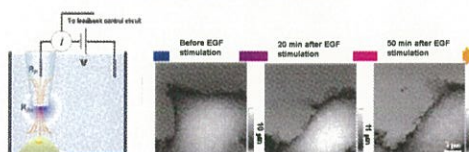
#### Scanning electrochemical microscope (SECM)



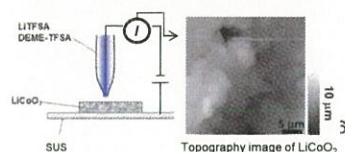
#### Living cell function measurement



#### Living cell Topography measurement



#### Battery material Topography measurement



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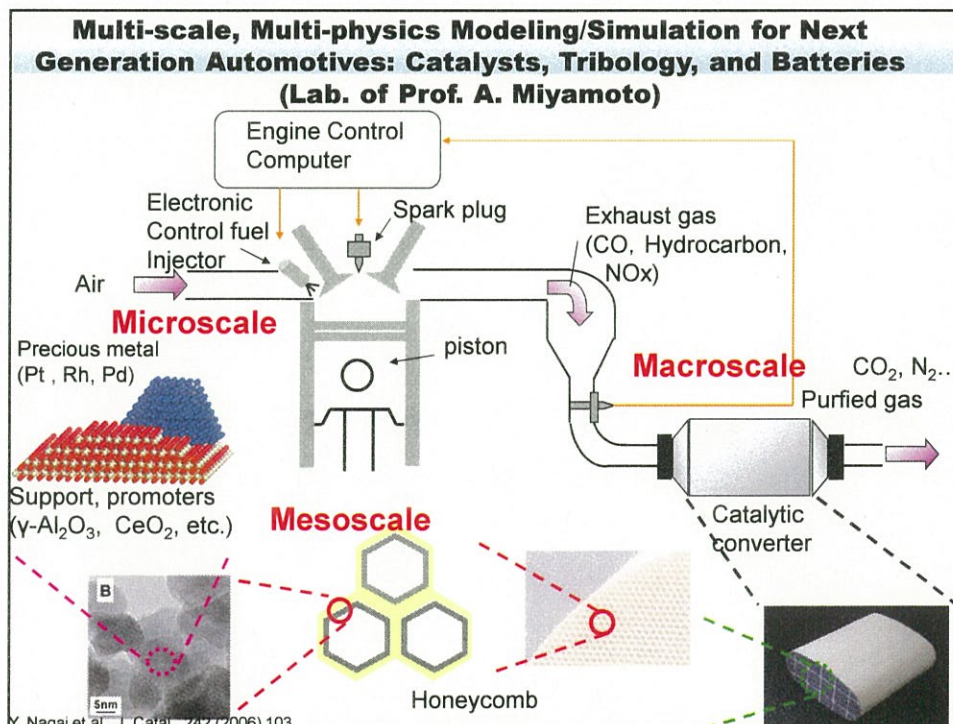
**L. Local Industry Policy**  
Masato Hisatake, Shunsuke Managi









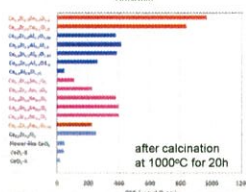
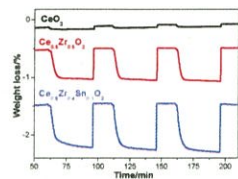


## Solvothermal Synthesis of Ceria Based Metal Oxides for Automotive's Catalysts (T. Sato Laboratory, IMRAM, Tohoku University)

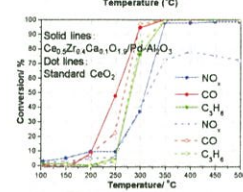
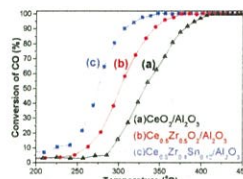
**Composition  
Design**

**Improvement of OSC &  
Three way Catalytic Activity**

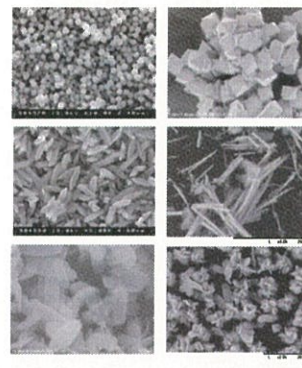
**Morphological  
Control**



Improvement of OSC as well as the thermal stability was successfully realized by designing the composition of ceria based catalysts.



Ion doping and high specific surface area led to the improvement of catalytic activity of ceria based oxides.



Morphology of the products could be controlled by an environmental friendly solvothermal process.

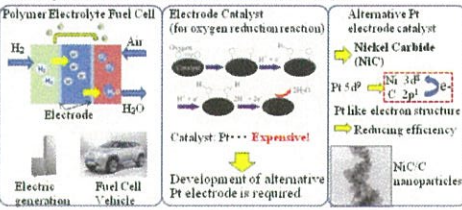
The OSC and catalytic activity could be improved by precisely controlling the chemical composition and morphology.

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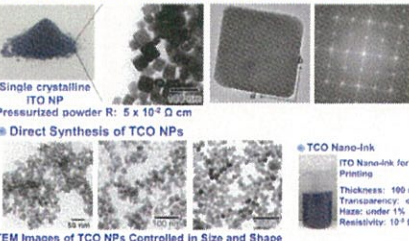
## Synthesis of Hybrid Nano-Particles and Application to Functional Materials

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Muramatsu Laboratory*

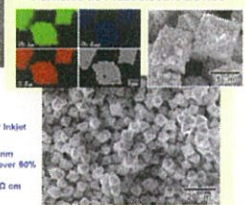
### Development of Alternative Platinum Electrode Catalyst



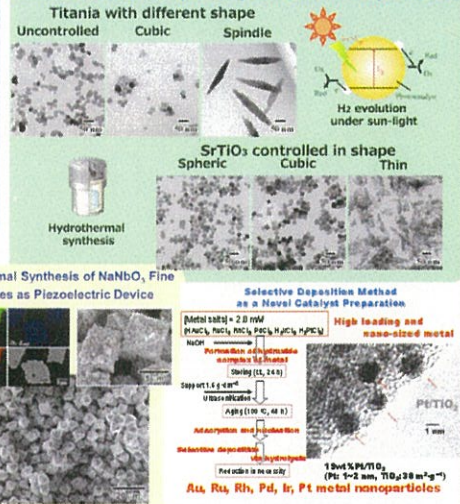
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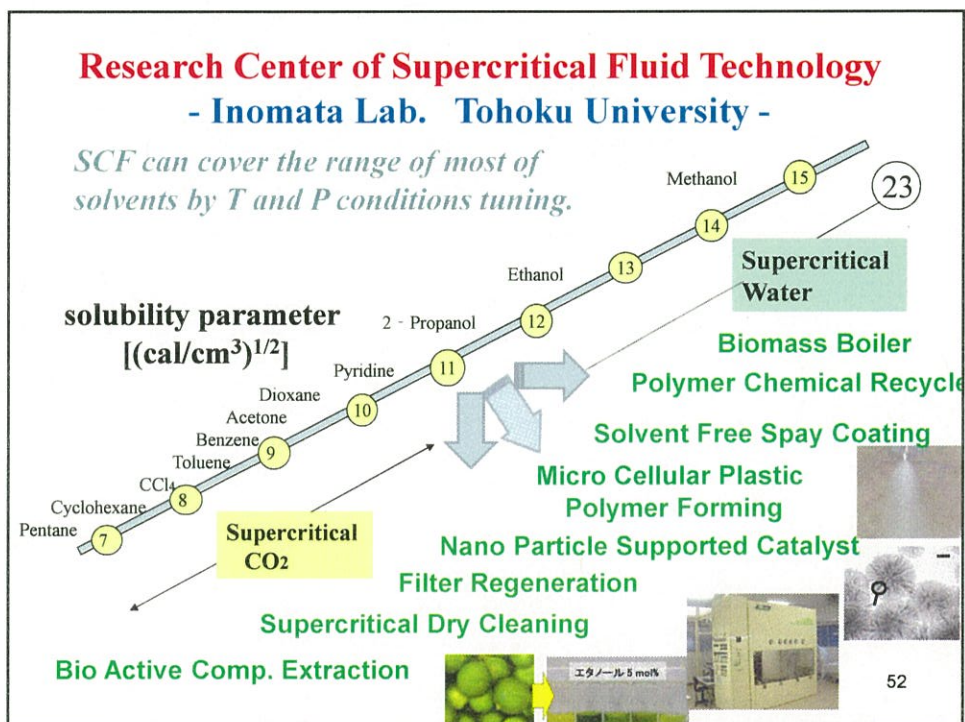
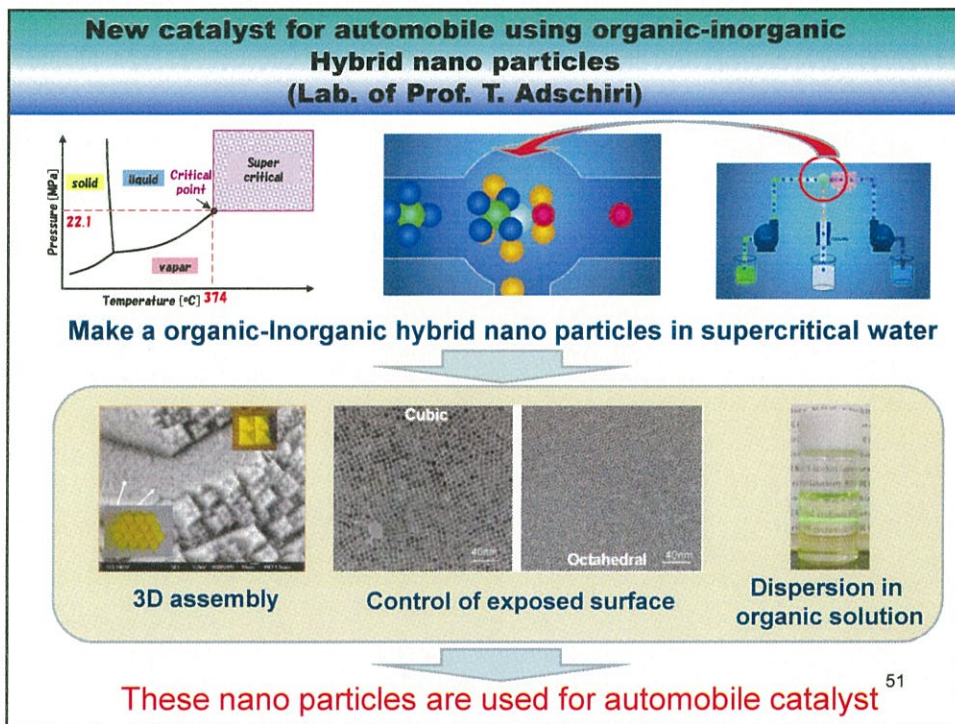


### Hydrothermal Synthesis of NaNbO<sub>3</sub> Fine Particles as Piezoelectric Device



### Titanium based oxides precisely controlled in shape and size





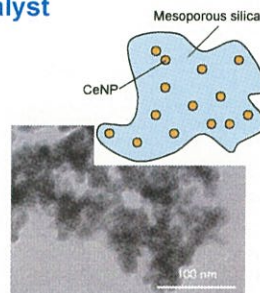
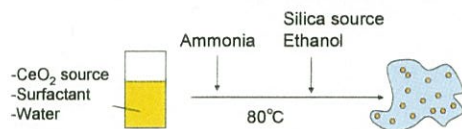


## Design of Nanocatalyst Coated with Mesoporous Materials (Lab. of Prof. Mikio Konno)

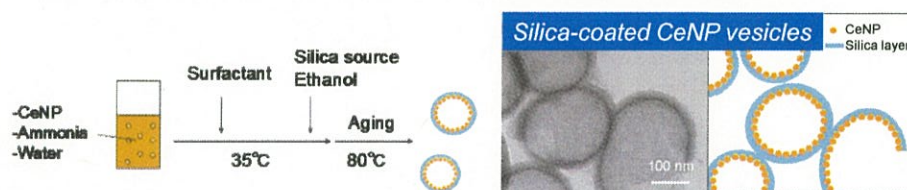
### Objective

- Mesoporous silica coating of single-nanosized catalyst
- Simple, environmentally-friendly method

#### 1. One-pot synthesis ( $\text{CeO}_2$ nanoparticle (CeNP) : 6 nm )



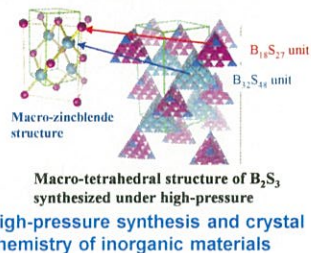
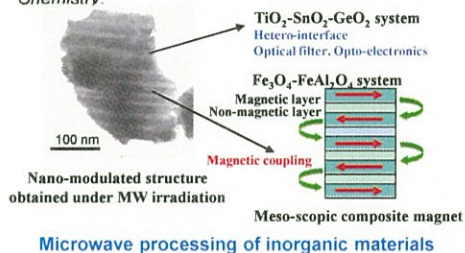
#### 2. Morphology control of nanoparticle assembly (CeNP: 4 nm)



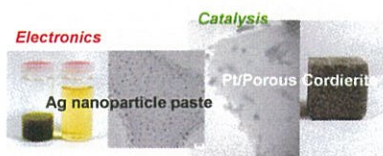
## Synthetic Chemistry of Advanced Materials (Takizawa Lab.) Department of Applied Chemistry

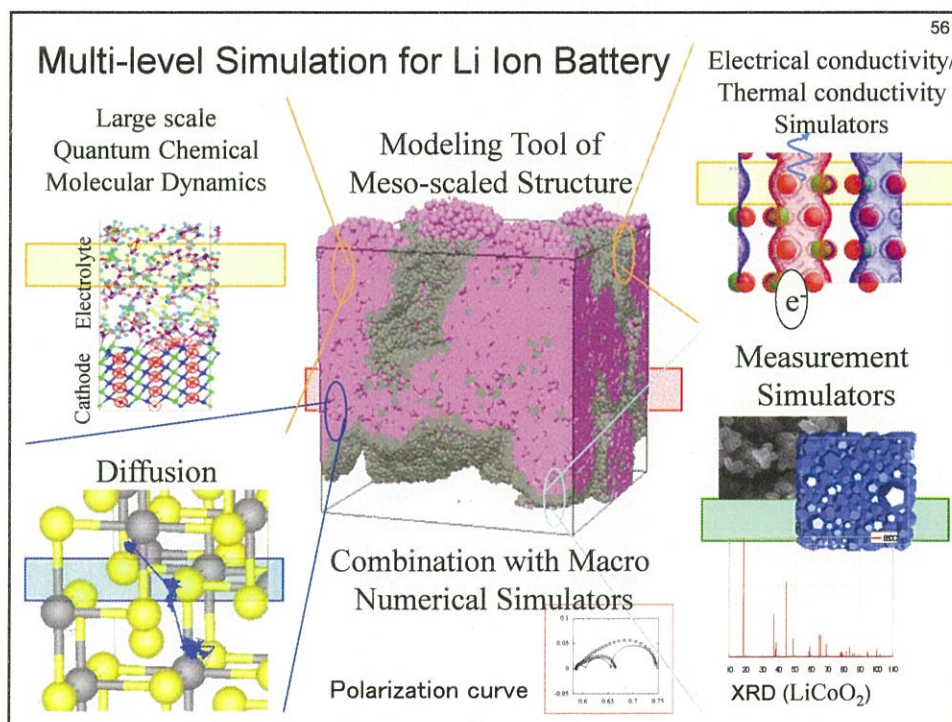
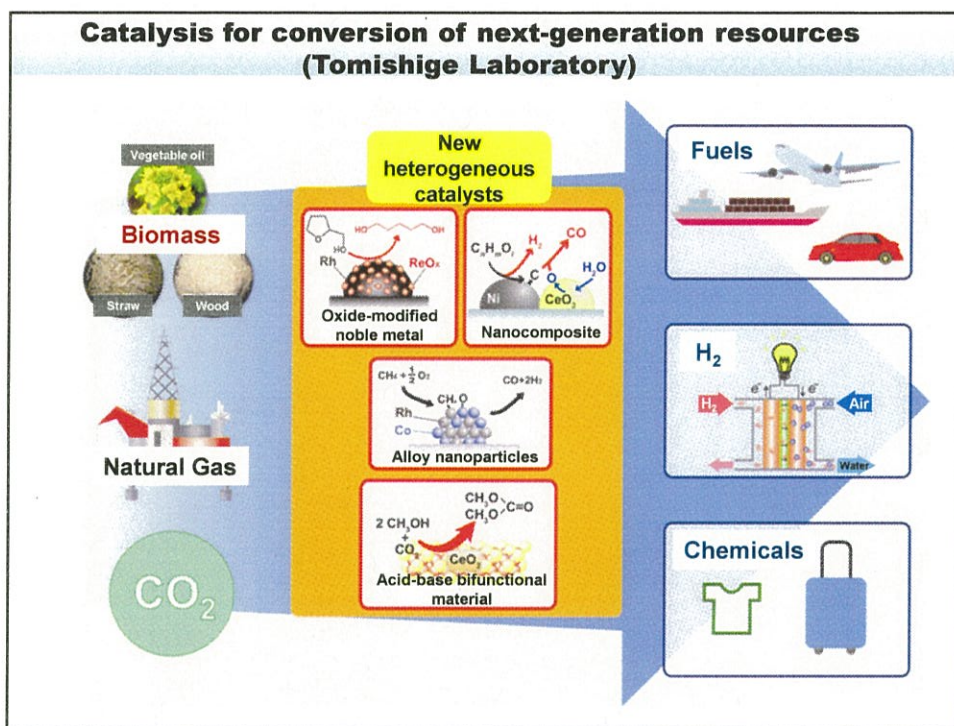
Hirotsugu Takizawa, Professor  
 Yamato Hayashi, Associate Professor  
 Jun Fukushima, Assistant Professor

Structure and bonding in solid state materials are very relevant to modern technology. Takizawa Lab. deals with synthesis and characterization of advanced inorganic materials based on *Solid State Chemistry*.



Sonochemical processing of inorganic materials

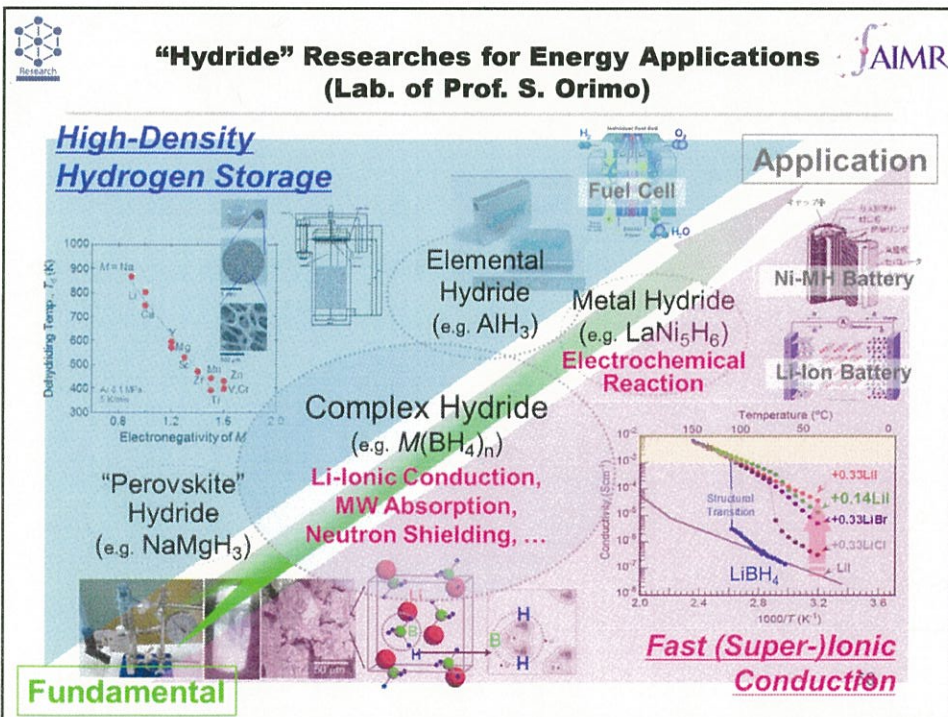
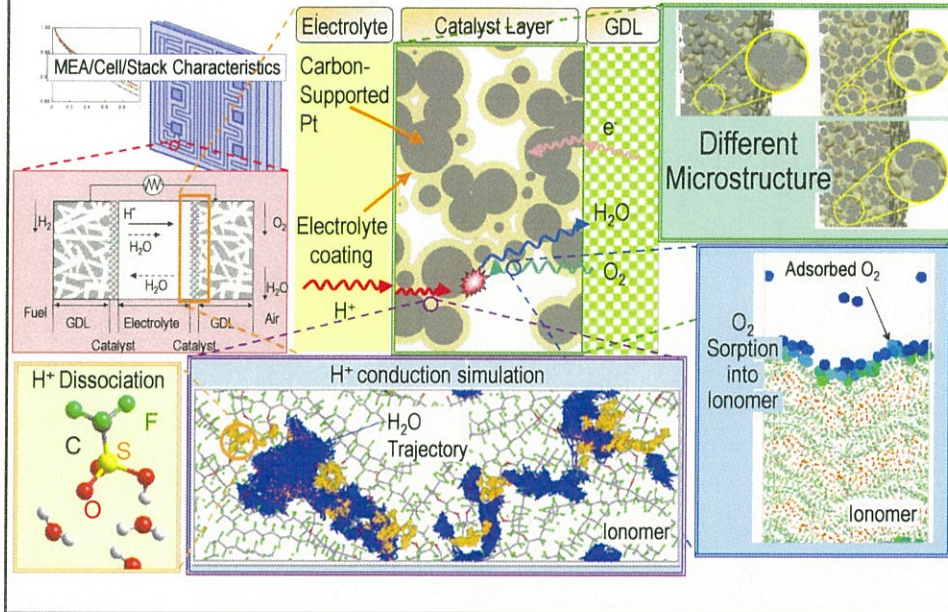






# Application to Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell

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## All-Solid-State Lithium Battery by using $\text{LiBH}_4$ (Lab. of Prof. H. Takamura)



Large scale application



6.7Wh, 43g

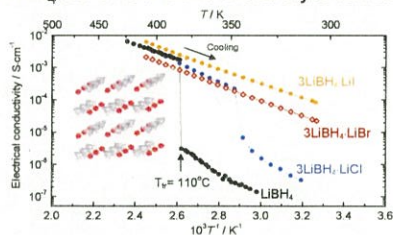
24kWh, 294kg

10.8kWh, 340kg

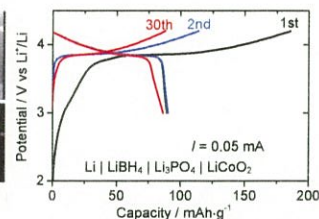
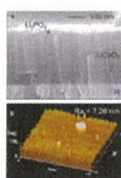
Issues to be solved

High capacity  
Durability  
Safety

$\text{LiBH}_4$  as a new solid electrolyte for LIB



All-solid-state LIB using  $\text{LiBH}_4$



Advantages:

- 1) Large electrochemical window (> 5V)
- 2) Chemical compatibility with Li metal
- 3) Low grain boundary resistance

Breakthrough: Nanoscale layer between  $\text{LiBH}_4$  and  $\text{LiCoO}_2$

J. Power Sources (2013)

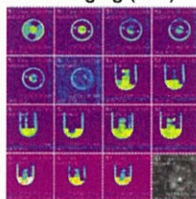
## Developments of In Situ Measurement Techniques and Solid-State Lithium-Ion Batteries (Prof. J. Kawamura)

### In situ measurement of Li-ion battery

#### 1. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)



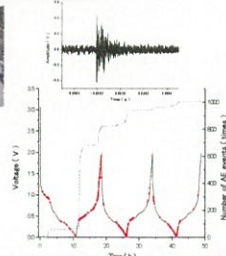
↑ NMR equipment and  
→  $^7\text{Li}$  MRI image of a  
model Li-ion battery



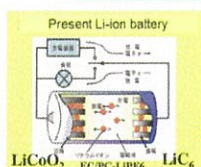
#### 2. Acoustic emission (AE)



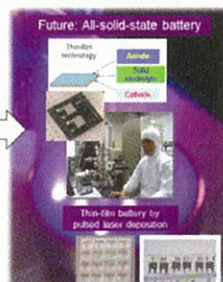
↑ AE experiment setup  
→ AE waveform from  
model Li-ion cell  
→ Charge-discharge  
curves and AE events  
for 3 cycle



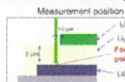
### Solid-state Li-ion battery



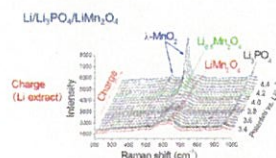
Fire accident of Li-ion battery  
(organic electrolyte)



#### 3. Micro Raman spectroscopy (RS)



In situ micro Raman  
spectroscopy of a thin-film  
 $\text{LiMn}_2\text{O}_4$  cathode in solid-  
state battery







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### Development of functional nano- ecomaterials for energy and environment in the environmentally benign systems

The research of Tohji Laboratory focused on how to develop the well defined nano materials and how to utilize these materials to our life. Especially, we develop the synthesis and utilizing methods for useful nano material which utilize the surface properties, such as alloy and/or oxide-sulfide hybrid catalysts and electric integration materials, and for energy materials to solve the global environment problems, such as thermoelectric alloy nanoparticles and high-power electric double-layer capacitor materials using carbon nanotubes etc. Moreover, the application of novel photocatalysts, called as stratified photocatalysts, to effective hydrogen generation system and environmental catalysts is also researched.



Pic. 1 Kajino's presentation (M2)  
at the 22th ECS



Pic. 2 Mabuchi's presentation (M1)  
at the 22th ECS



Pic. 3 Sakakibara's presentation  
(M1)  
at the MMIJ conference



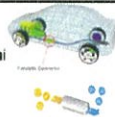
Pic. 4 Suitoh (M1) introducing  
environmentally friendly energy  
at a summer festival



Pic. 5 Kobayashi (M1)  
visiting a school to give a  
lecture

#### A. Catalysts and Functional Materials

Akira Miyamoto, Tsugio Sato, Hiroshi Inomata,  
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Ajiri, Mikio Konno, Keiichi Tomishige, Ai Suzuki



#### C. Robot

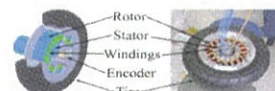
Satoshi Tadokoro, Kazuhiro Kosuge, Masaru Uchiyama,  
Kazunori Ohno, Yasuhisa Hirata, Eijiro Takeuchi



**E. Battery, Energy, Optics and Hydrogen,**  
Junichi Kawamura, Shigenao Maruyama,  
Shinichi Orimo, Tomokazu Matsue,  
Hitoshi Takamura, Kazuyuki Tohji,  
Akira Miyamoto, Nozomu Hatakeyama

#### B. Motor and Magnet

Fumihiko Hasegawa, Osamu Ichinokura, Satoshi  
Sugimoto, Takashi Nakamura, Hiroki Goto



**D. Wireless Charging**  
Hidetoshi Matsuki



#### G. Interface and Tribology

Tetsuo Shoji, Toshiyuki Takagi, Koshi Adachi,  
Kazue Kurihara,  
Akira Miyamoto, Ryuji Miura



#### J. Vision Analysis

Tatsuo Uchida, Takafumi Aoki,  
Koichiro Deguchi, Masahiro Nishizawa



#### K. Medical Application and MEMS

Ryuta Kawashima, Masafumi Goto,  
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#### I. Casting, Forging and Nano-Fabrication

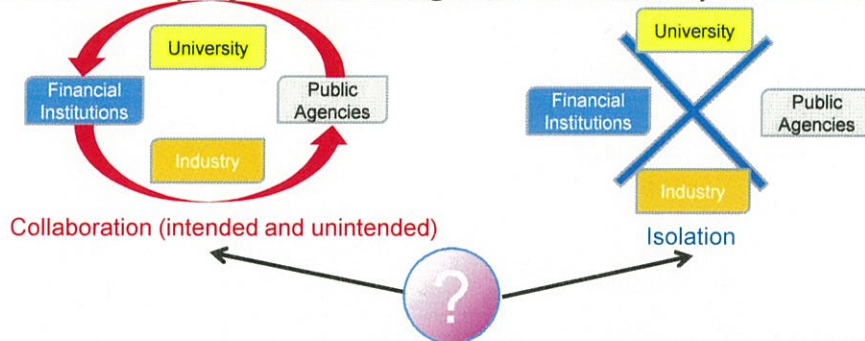
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Soyama



**L. Local Industry Policy**  
Masato Hisatake,  
Shunsuke Managi



## Development of Sustainable Regional Innovation Systems (Project of Visiting Prof. M. Hisatake)



### Three objectives

1. Identify cause and results of regional innovation systems
2. Try to create original and specifically elaborated development plans
3. Implementation and continuous PDCA

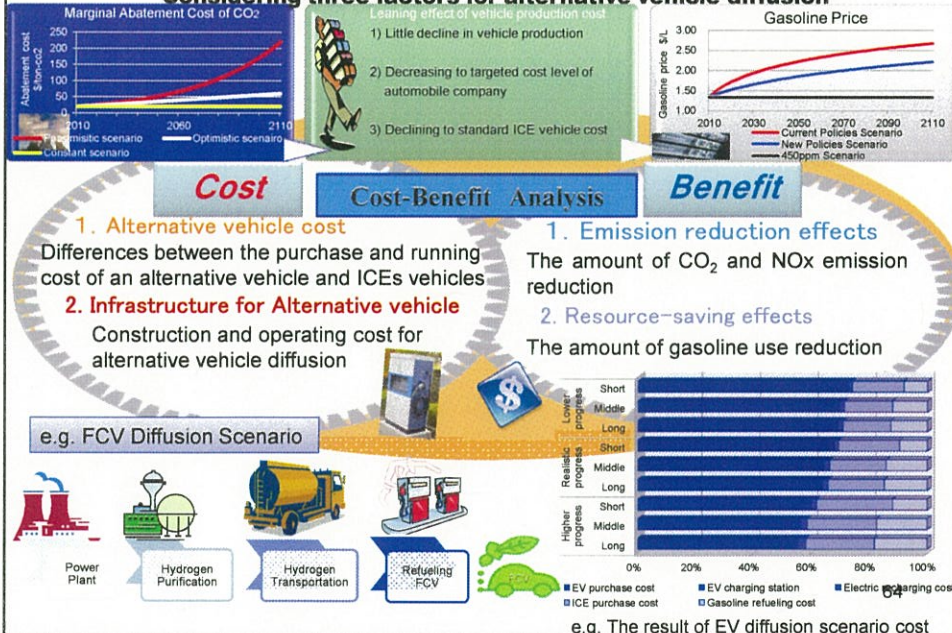
### Feature = Interdisciplinary

Econometrics, Law and Economics, Game Theory, Contract theory, Technology Management Science, Business Administration Studies, Political Science, etc.

## Potential of Alternative Fuel Vehicles:

### Analysis of Disaggregated Cost Benefit (Lab. of Prof. S. Managi)

#### Considering three factors for alternative vehicle diffusion

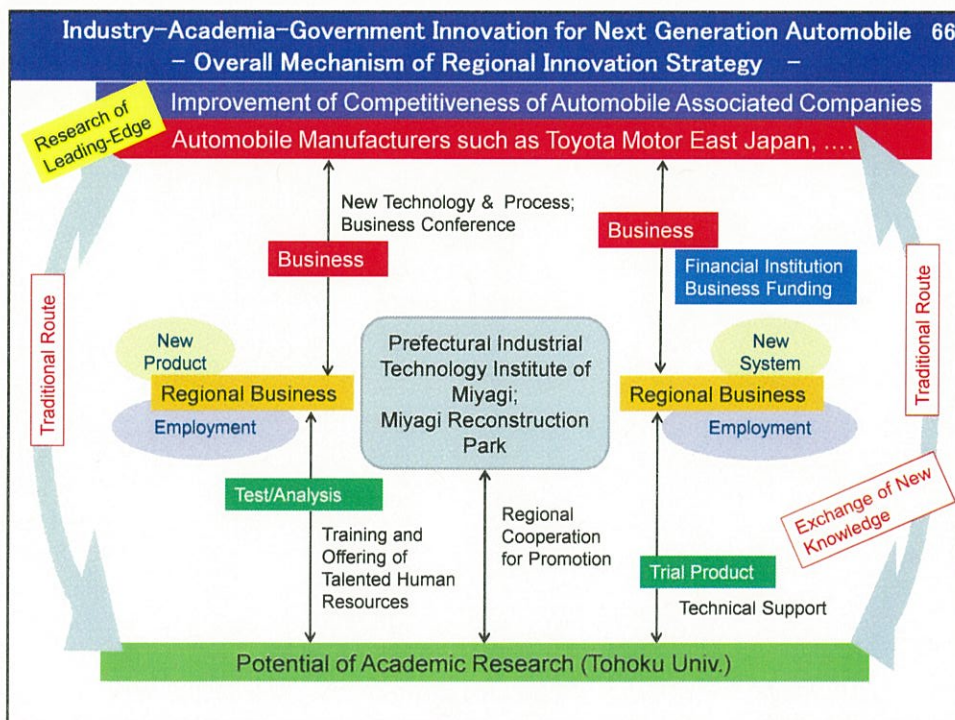




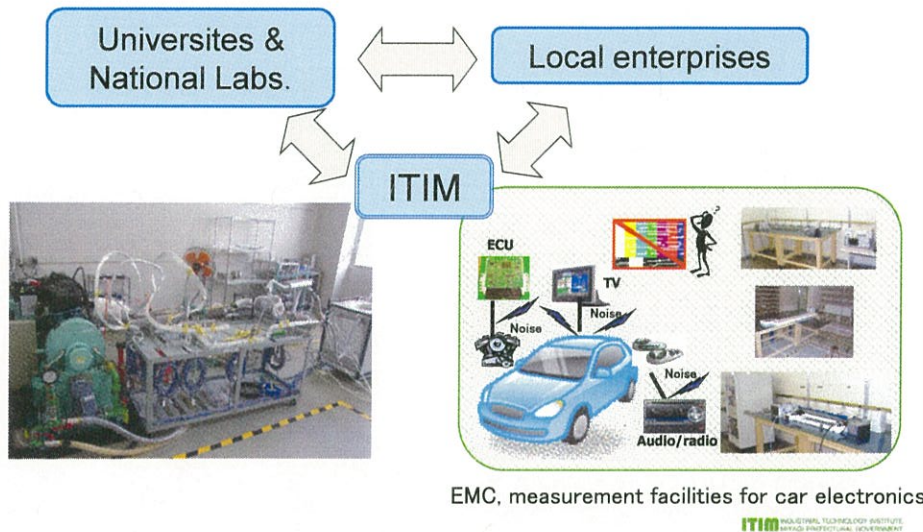
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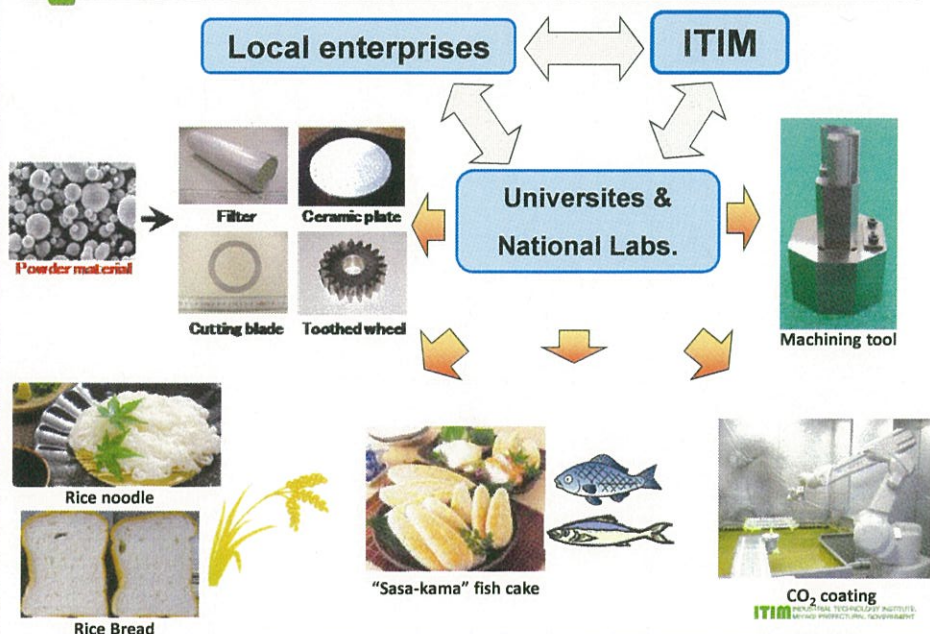
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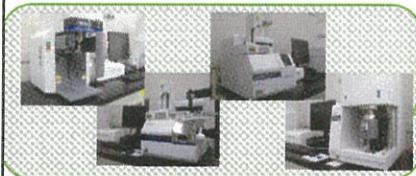




## New facilities and equipments



Spark plasma sintering  
**2008**



Thermal analysis system  
**2011**



EMC, measurement facilities for car electronics  
**2009**



compression tester



Equipment for evaluation of Taste & Aroma  
**2010**

ITIM INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE  
INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY, INNOVATION

## Technical seminars for advanced automotive systems



Continuously Variable Transmission : CVT



Electric motor for HV system

Deepen the understanding of the detailed structures of HV vehicles. Local enterprises would derive a development target from these seminars.

# Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Council

## 【Overview】

The Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Council is composed of members from industry, academic and government bodies. It encourages local companies to enter the automotive industry and promotes business.

### Established

Name: Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Council  
 Established: 11<sup>th</sup> May 2006  
 No. of members: 509 companies and groups (as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2012)  
 (of which 296 manufacturing companies)

### Members

Automotive industry companies, companies thinking of expanding into the automotive industry  
 Universities, financial institutions, government bodies, other groups cooperating with automotive industry promotion

### Objectives

Concentrate high-technology, increase order opportunities, regional affiliations, promote financial affiliation of industry, academic and government bodies

### Members Fee

- \* Fees apply to some events/Initiatives
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## 【Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Plan】

The Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Council drafted the Miyagi Automotive Industry Promotion Plan in 2012 as a concrete measure to help many local companies enter into the automotive industry. The plan's objective is to increase the number of new orders to local companies for car parts etc., to 300 or more over the course of the next 10 years, with a view to cementing car manufacturing industry in Miyagi Prefecture.

### 【Main Efforts】



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 Miyagi Prefecture, Tel.: 022-211-2724  
[www.pref.miyagi.jp/jidousha/mjk\\_index.htm](http://www.pref.miyagi.jp/jidousha/mjk_index.htm)



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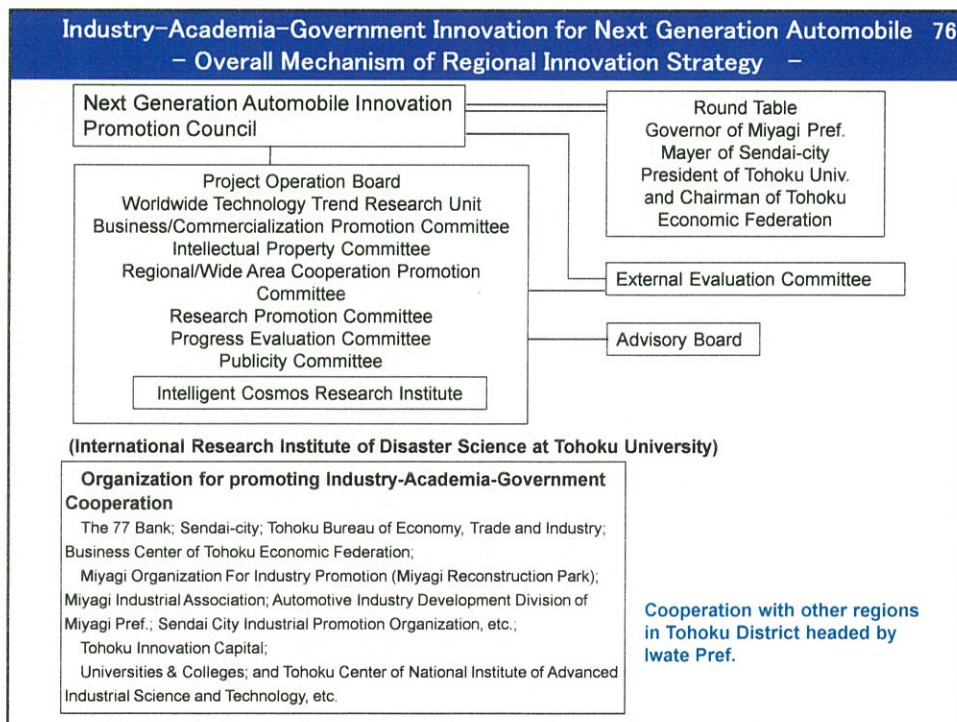
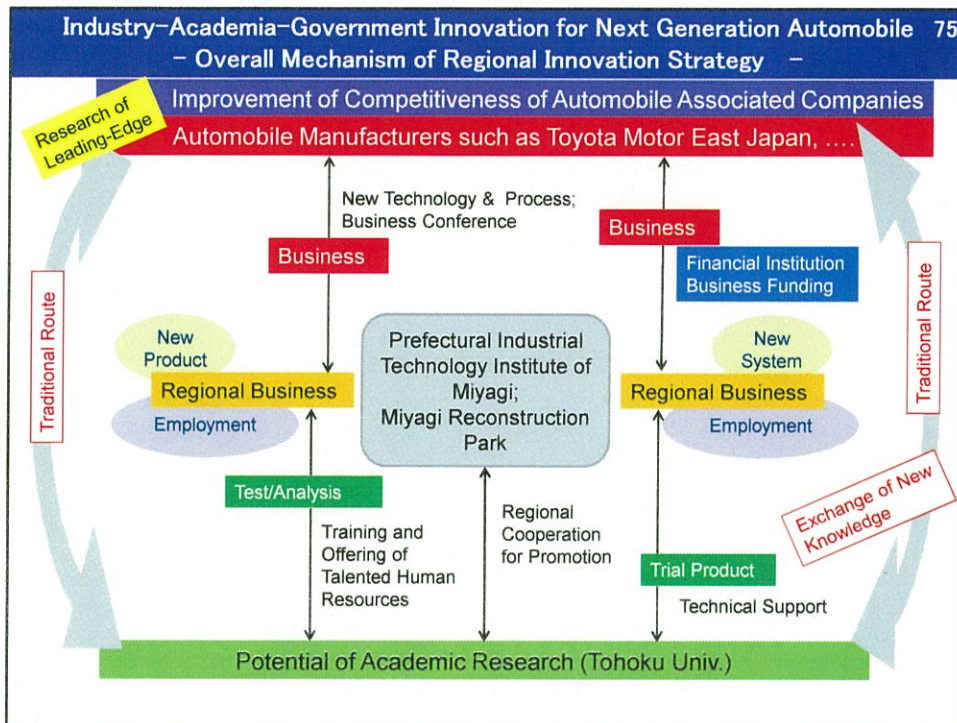
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## Programs and Coordinators in the Project

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- In the present project, more than 40 laboratories in Tohoku University and members of ITIM perform the following programs:  
(1) collaborations through human resources development and (2) collaborations through the use of advanced apparatus/instruments. Many coordinators in the local governments, the local organizations and Tohoku University promote collaborations among different laboratories and companies for next generation automotives.







Intelligent Cosmos Research Institute

【Company Information】

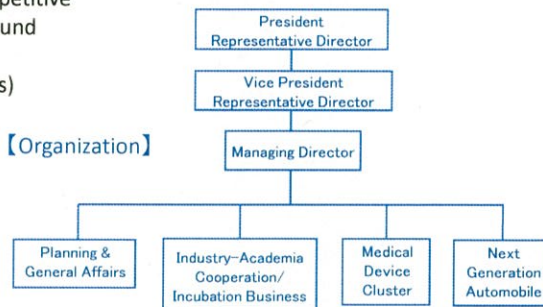
- Funded Feb. 10, 1988
- Capital JPY8,456,500,000
- Employees 38

【Business】

- Promotion of Industry-Academia Cooperation with use of competitive fund such as Governmental Fund
- Leasing R&D facilities (Support to venture business)



【Organization】



## Growing with the Region The 77Bank,Ltd.

**Profile**

Founded : Dec. 1878  
 Capital : ¥24.7 billion  
**the largest bank in TOHOKU**  
 Branches : 141  
 Employees : 2,898

**Philosophy**

The 77 Bank continues to strengthen its business foundation and enhance its management quality in order to be the **"Best creative bank"** that creates a new era together with the region..



**Our mission**, as a regional financial institution, is to contribute to regional socioeconomic development through the timely and accurate provision of financial services geared to the needs of the region. **Our efforts** have earned us the support of customers, boosting our regional share of deposits and loans to the highest level among Japanese regional banks.



Agreement with Tohoku University

## Tohoku Economic Federation(Tokeiren)

### ■Tokeiren(Tohoku Economic Federation)

(1)Members: Comprised of approximately 800 companies and organizations working to develop and expand economic activities in the seven prefectures of the Tohoku region.

(2)Established: December 1966

(3)Chairman: Hiroaki Takahashi(chairman, Tohoku Electric Power Co., inc )

(4)Activity Objectives:

①Investigate and research various issues related to domestic industries and the economy, gather a consensus of opinions and recommendations on the Tohoku economy and strive to achieve objectives based on these activities.

②Contribute to the development of the Japanese economy and society through economic stimulation and consensual regional development of the Tohoku region.

③Make policy recommendations and promote projects through the nine committees that comprise TOKEIREN. Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Reconstruction Measures, economic policy, industrial policy, transportation and shipping, information and telecommunications, environmental resources and energy and tourism and culture.



### ■Tohoku Vision for 2030

-Tohoku Towards the pivotal place of innovation in East Asia-(Future Vision)

- Realizing richness and growth in Tohoku
- Realizing healthy and lively lifestyle in Tohoku
- Fulfilling the hopes and dreams of young people

(Strategies)

- Industrial Innovation for encouraging new growth
- Network Innovation for opening to East Asia
- Human Capital Innovation for region's attractiveness
- Regional Management Innovation for regional independence

### ■Other Policy recommendations

- Policy Recommendation to the Central Government for the Great Earthquake and Tsunami
- Inviting the International Linear Collider Project
- Promoting Natural Innovation using region's natural resources
- Recommendation to the Central Government for economic policies and industrial policies





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International collaborations are highly important to deepen our understanding/methodology and promote simultaneous global/local innovations