

Division of Biological Science and Technology	Research field	Biofunctional engineering	Lab. ID BS18
Laboratory web site			
Research subjects			
There are unclear points about effect of physical stimuli, including magnetic fields, on living organisms. In basic research, we observed that enhancement in the drug potency on exposure to 60 Hz magnetic fields depended on the magnetic flux density. If magnetic fields enable us to enhance the potency of anticancer drug on target region only, the dosage can be reduced and thus side effects can be suppressed in clinical cancer chemotherapy. Our laboratory investigates the effective condition (magnetic flux density, frequency and exposure time etc.) and the action mechanism of magnetic fields, on the potency of chemical agents.			
Master/Doctor course: Education policy, curriculum, typical activity in the laboratory			
Graduate students take lab seminars besides regular classes. In the seminar, students introduce other research paper or an international journal related with each theme, and we discuss its approach, results and considerations. At a weekly meeting, students report on progress and their plans for the future research, then they are given advice and conduct. Graduate students are supposed to present their research at academic conferences or workshop several times a year.			
Daily life in the laboratory, etc.			
We usually spend our free time friendly and cheerfully at the laboratory, but it comes to studies, we work steadily. Our teacher is gentle to us and we have established good relations, so we students can give our opinions freely. If we're responsible for what we should do, our teacher lets us go ahead with our work independently. In the laboratory, we're well provided with instruments we need. We can also have many opportunities to participate in conferences and have valuable experience.(M2)			
Message or comments by the laboratory faculty staffs			
I hope students and graduate students in my laboratory are willing to work on their researches. Unlike experiments in class, results of researches are unknown, so I'd like you to experience difficulties and pleasure in advancing research by trial-and-error. Particularly in research themes, students treat biological materials which are not always under the same condition, the result of experiment should be reproducible; thus repeated experiments and statistical analysis of the data are needed. Although you'll have to prepare for job hunting, spend your time effectively and enjoy researches together.			
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