

Research & Development Centers

Algae Biomass and Energy System R&D Center

The world's first comprehensive R&D Center of Algae Biomass Energy System







R&D Center for Precision Medicine

With the aim of the first 1000 dollar genome analysis base in Japan





R&D Center for Strategic Frontiers Social Planning

Center for sustainable social infrastructure of future community

R&D Center for Sports Innovation

Japan's first social experiment base of the national university Athletic Department (AD)



R&D Center for Health Services

Japan's first center of specializing in the discipline of services that bring health & happiness



R&D Center for Tailor-Made QOL

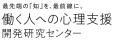
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Headquarters for International Industry-University Collaboration, University of Tsukuba

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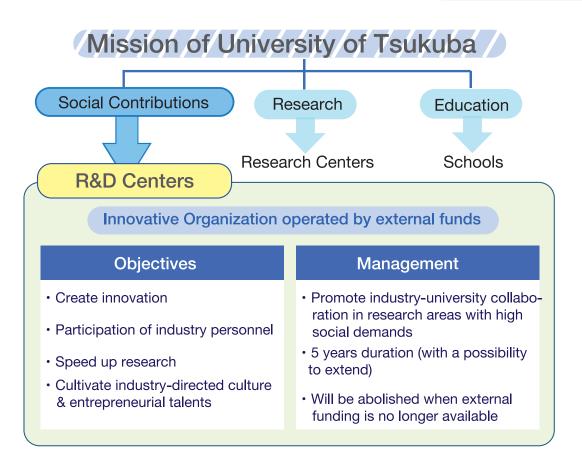
About the R&D Centers

Since July 1, 2015, the R&D centers have been sequentially founded under the Headquarters for International Industry-University Collaboration. They are founded for promoting joint research and development in academic fields of high social demands, and organizing a cooperative research system. Their operation cost only comes from an external fund such as a collaborative or sponsored research with private sectors. As the mission of a national university, we are responsible for education, research and social contribution. And the R&D centers are the new body which undertake a role of social contribution.

We are continuously supporting their centers and developing more R&D centers of other fields in the future.



Yasunori Kanaho Director General of Headquarters for International Industry-University Collaboration and Vice President (Industry-University Collaboration), University of Tsukiuba





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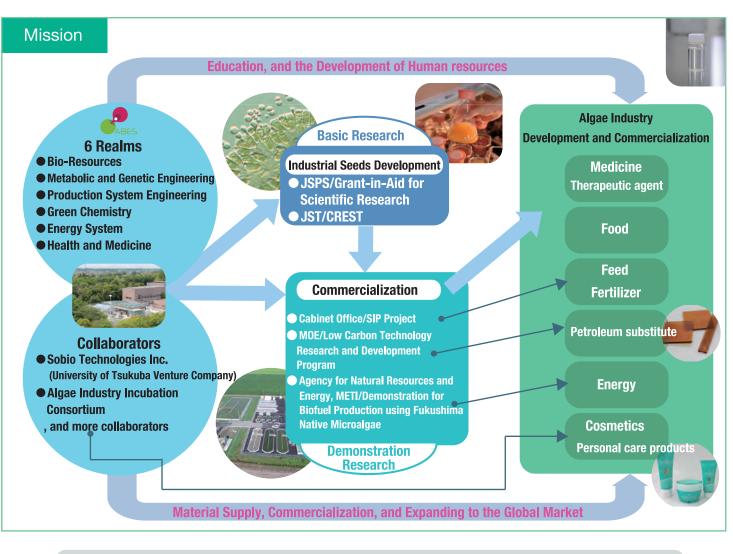
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World's first Comprehensive R&D Center of Algae Biomass Energy System

Algae Biomass and Energy System R&D Center (ABES) was established in July 2015 as the first R&D Center in the University of Tsukuba. The center consists 6 realms (Bioresources, Metabolic and Genetic Engineering, Production System Engineering, Green Chemistry, Energy System, and Health and Medicine) with participants of more than 50 researchers. Taking advantage of this multidisciplinary research fields and promoting various collaborations, (4C : Academic Collaboration, Industry-University Collaboration, Social Collaboration, International Collaboration), we are developing worldwide algae industries.



Makoto Watanabe, Ph.D. Director, R&D Center for ABES



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R&D Center for Precision Medicine

Since January 1st, 2017

With the aim of the first 1000 dollar genome analysis for Japan

Introduce the next-generation high-throughput human whole-genome sequencing

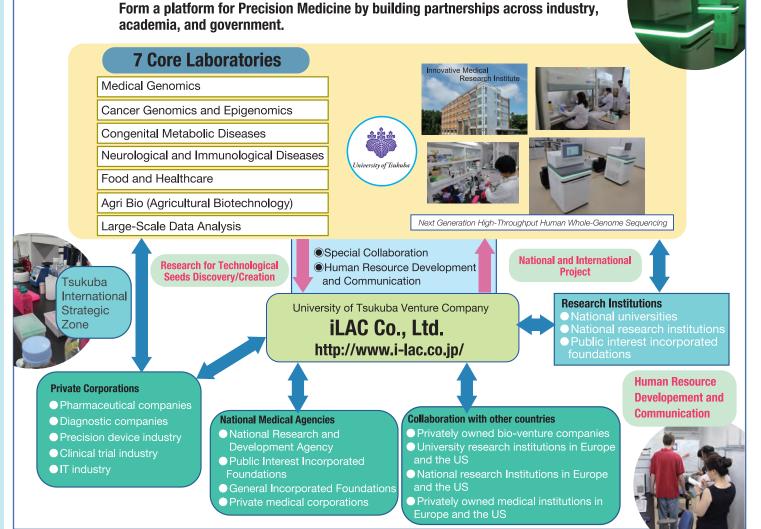
The Research and Development Center for Precision Medicine (PMC) was established as Japan's first omics analysis center aiming to develop a \$1000 genome sequencing technology. Using state -of-the-art technologies in genome sequencing and mass spectrometry, the Center aims to provide analytic and translational approaches to provide precise diagnosis of cancers and various diseases in a data-driven/evidence-based approach. The Center has been working with the Tsukuba Preventive Medicine Research Center, which offers a comprehensive medical examination utilizing the function of initiative prevention of medical research. In order to promote collaborations with leading domestic and international research institutions, the PMC is also active in cross-border multidisciplinary networking. The Center aims to establish a research infrastructure for the implementation and realization of Precision Medicine, to improve/determine the best course of treatment for each individual.

system in the University of Tsukuba.



Taka-Aki Sato, Ph.D. Director, R&D Center for Precision Medicine





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R&D Center for Strategic Frontiers Social Planning

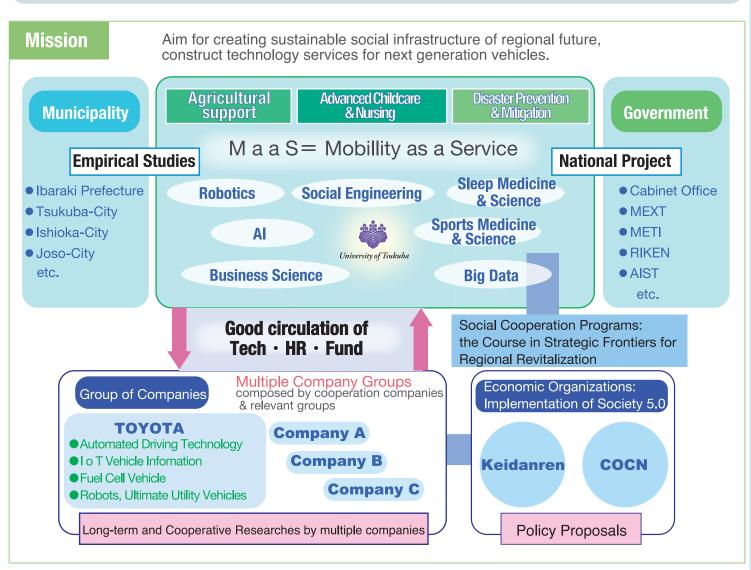
Since April 1st, 2017

Creating sustainable social infrastructure of regional future

R&D Center for Strategic Frontiers Social Planning (as known as F-MIRAI) is a base for research and development into social infrastructure for communities of the future, and organizes open laboratory system with Industry-University collaboration. Based on social engineering, academic ability of the University of Tsukuba and advanced technology by multiple companies and local governments. We will promote theoretical policy recommendations and social implementation to solve regional economic and social problems through demonstration experiments. One such experiment explores the social image of the regional future, where symbiosis of people, society and nature coexist and all regions shares different strategic methodologies. The most pivotal research to be undertaken analyses next-generation vehicle development and its service platform that allows people to move without implications to individual differences and realize a lively life. As a center for research, we are convinced that a proactively advance cooperation among Industry-University and several local governments will produce groundbreaking efforts in the area of social engineering.



Isamu Takahara, Ph.D. Director, R&D Center for Strategic Frontiers Social Planning



R&D Center for Sports Innovation

Since April 1st, 2017

Aim for establishment of AD (Athletic Department)

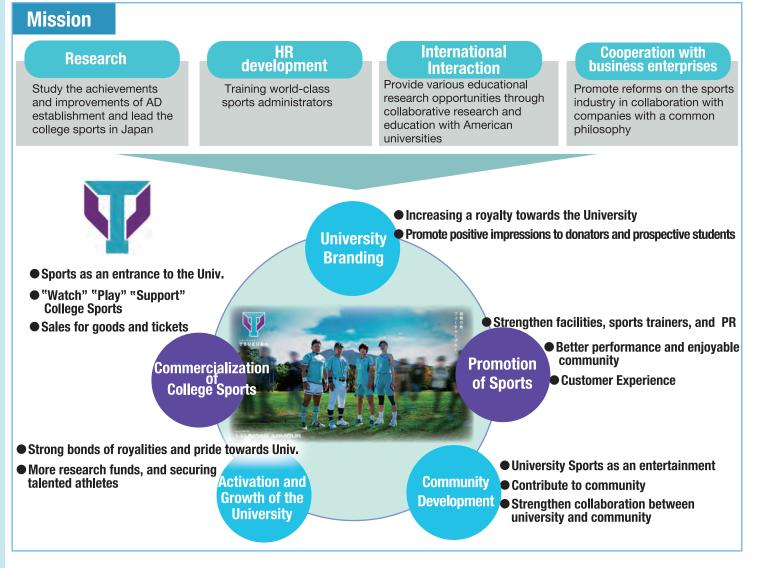
R&D Center for Sport Innovation aims to establish and promote Athletic Department (AD) within the University of Tsukuba. To accomplish our mission, it is essential for us to designate the philosophy of Athletic Department, clarify the roles and the job descriptions between athletic director and sports administrator, and cultivate human resources that is still uncommon in Japan.

Furthermore, we need to have a discussion in order to strengthen the relationship between university and community. Meanwhile, we will prepare for the establishment of the Japanese version of NCAA in cooperation with other universities. Therefore, we are sure it leads to fulfill student support, enhance collaboration with the community and improve the value of the University.



Yukio Yamada, Ph.D. Director, R&D Center for Sports Innovation

AD: Department of the governance of students' sports activities under the direct supervision of the President



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R&D Center for Health Services

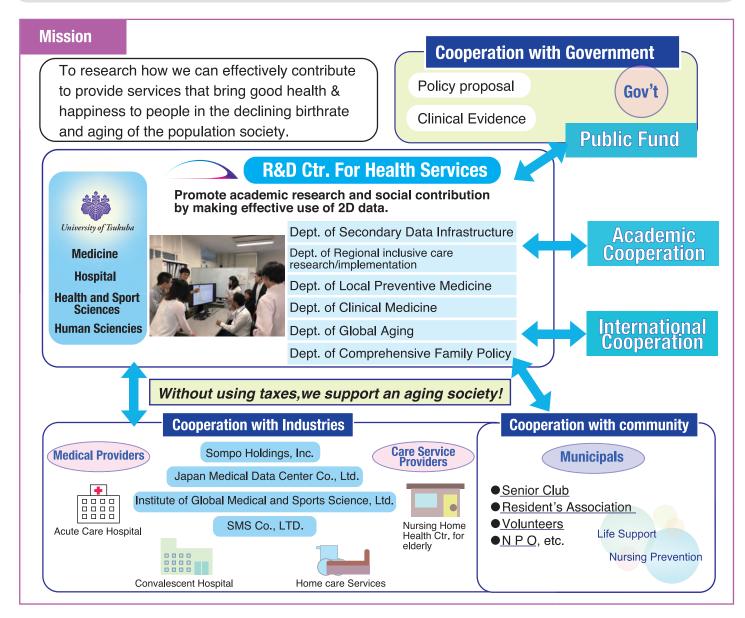
Since July 1st, 2017

Towards health services in harmony with life

Health Services Research & Development Center was established on July 1, 2017. The center is specialized in a health services research (HSR) which is Japan's first academic research field. Through the data analysis of nationwide or district region, we investigate and research considering "how to effectively deliver care services that bring the health and well-being to people who need them". By focusing on its continuity of the services from preventive care to nursing care, the outcome improves the quality of the sequence of the healthcare services at each stage in our society. We hope this newly created center would follow the openness to society that our university, the University of Tsukuba, represents, so that we could imagine the future together.



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R&D Center for Tailor–Made QOL

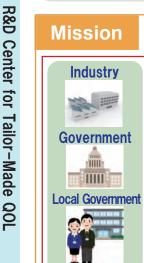
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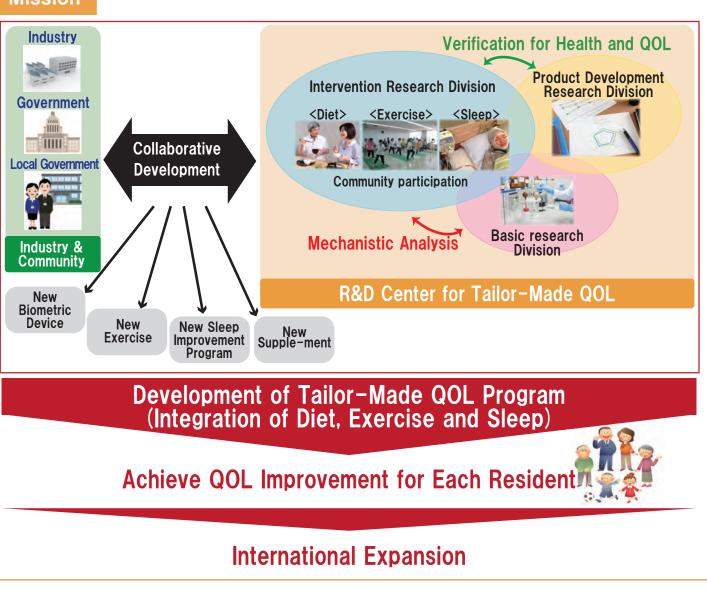
Development of 'Tailor-Made QOL programs' aimed at promoting health

R&D Center for Tailor-Made QOL has been established to disseminate an innovative 'Tailor-Made QOL Program' aimed at promoting health and preventing functional decline to people all over Japan and the world. Reducing the burden of health care cost has become an urgent issue; therefore, the national policy is shifting focus from 'treatment/care' to 'prevention and improvement'. It has become necessary to develop effective programs to improve the QOL and extend healthy life span that enable people to age with dignity, thereby overcoming the current situation where people remain bedridden for long periods of time at the end of their life. Not only will this lead to a significant reduction in medical expenses, but this will also change the image of the elderly people and contribute to the accumulation and utilization of human and intellectual capital in the society.

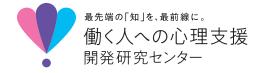


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R&D Center for Working Persons' Psychological Support

Since April 1st, 2019

Research activities and building social contribution infrastructure related to psychological support for working persons

Research & Development Center for Working Persons' Psychological Support was established on April 1, 2019. The purpose is to provide a one-stop service for psychological support to working persons from both research and social contribution. We promote our activities based on the principle that "Pursuit lifelong development, with us." to support working persons, families and organizations that support those working persons.

The center covers various areas of life-long development perspectives (transitions from school to work, middle-aged, elderly people, pregnant women, childbirth, childcare, nursing care, etc.), various areas of target (family, welfare, school, education, industry, society, etc.), and various areas of research (psycho-clinical, social behaviors, career development, mental health, disaster stress, addictions, etc.), and is characterized by it.

We will promote practical research in line with social needs and will provide high quality psychological support services to working persons. In addition, it contributes to the qualitative improvement of psychological practitioners and human resources, and the training of leaders.

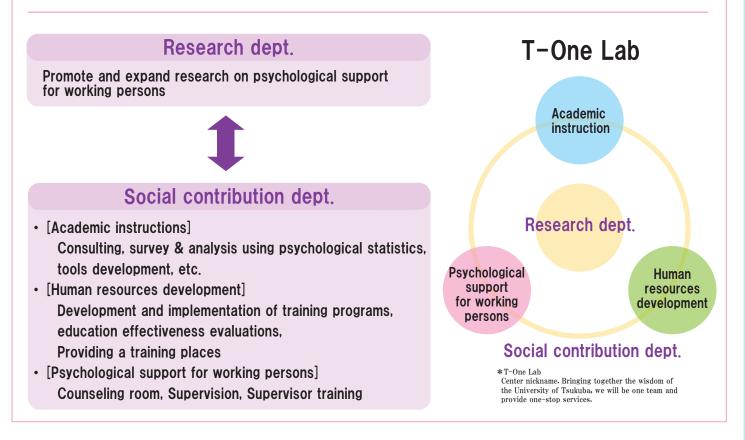


Masaki Okada, Ph.D. Director, R&D Center for Working Persons' Psychological

Mission

"Pursuit lifelong development, with us."

Now that working places are facing various environmental changes, the need for " psychologically understanding people" is rapidly increasing. We believe that human can develop regardless ages and would like to support both life and work. Here highly skilled practitioners who are also researchers eager to support them and gathered.



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