



A JSPS FELLOWSHIP - THE WAY TO BOOST YOUR RESEARCH CAREER

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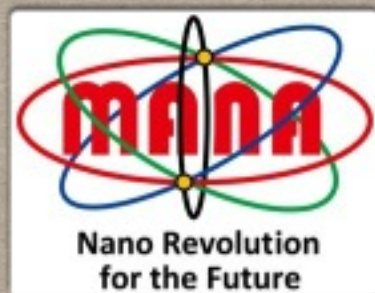
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CONGRATULATIONS!



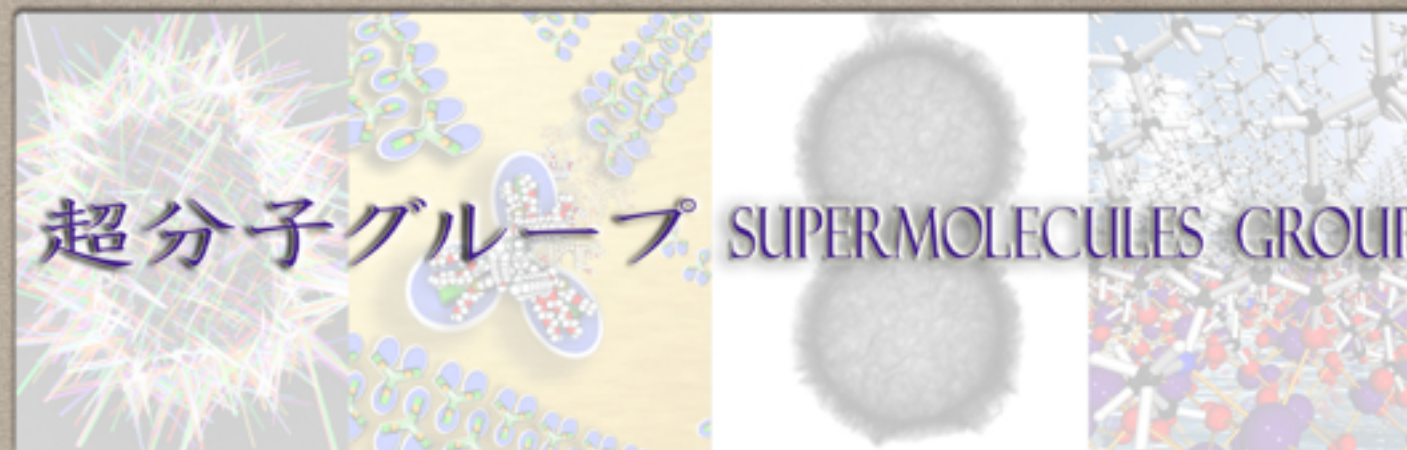
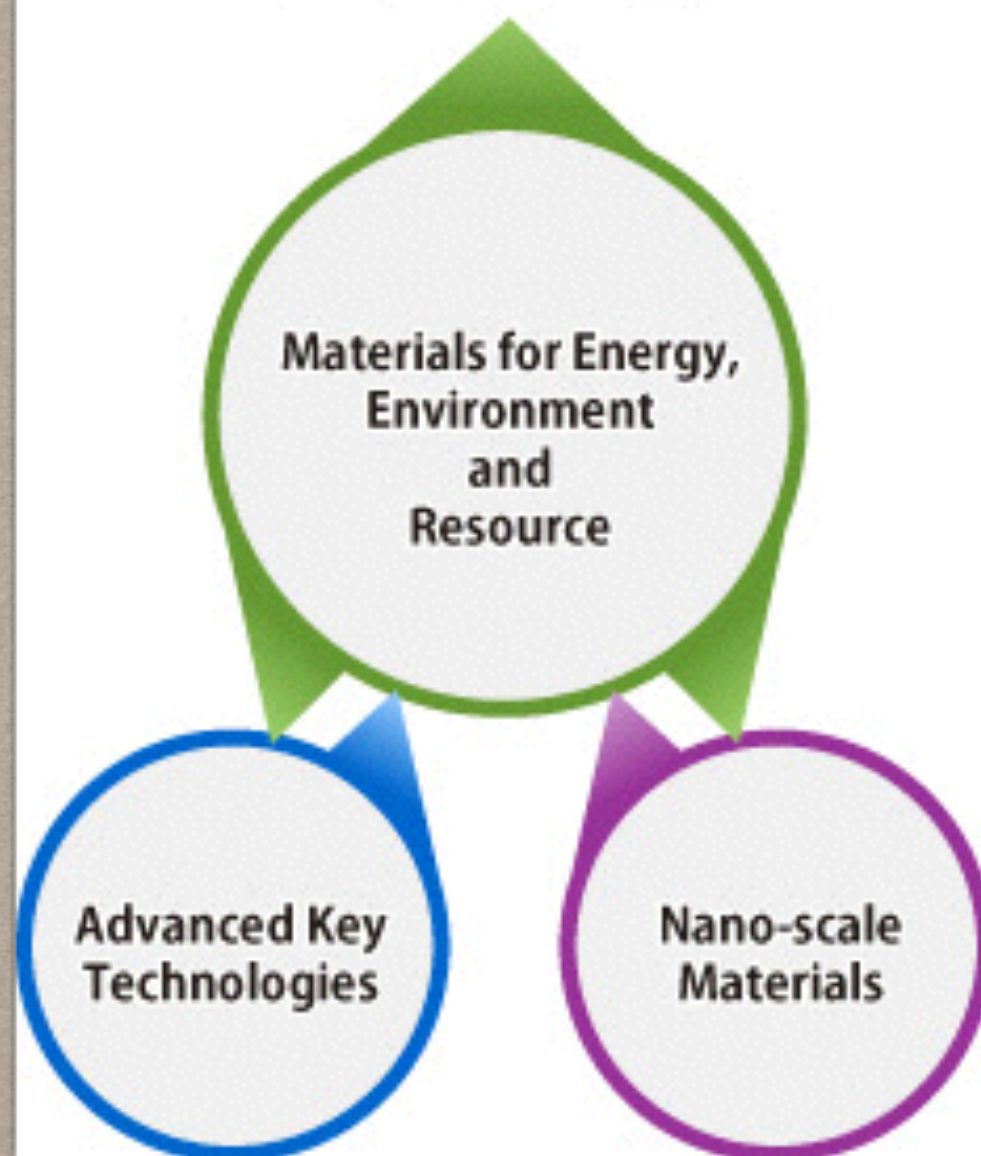
LONG-TERM JSPS POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP FOR FOREIGN RESEARCHERS

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TSUKUBA, IBARAKI, JAPAN





Social Needs



group leader



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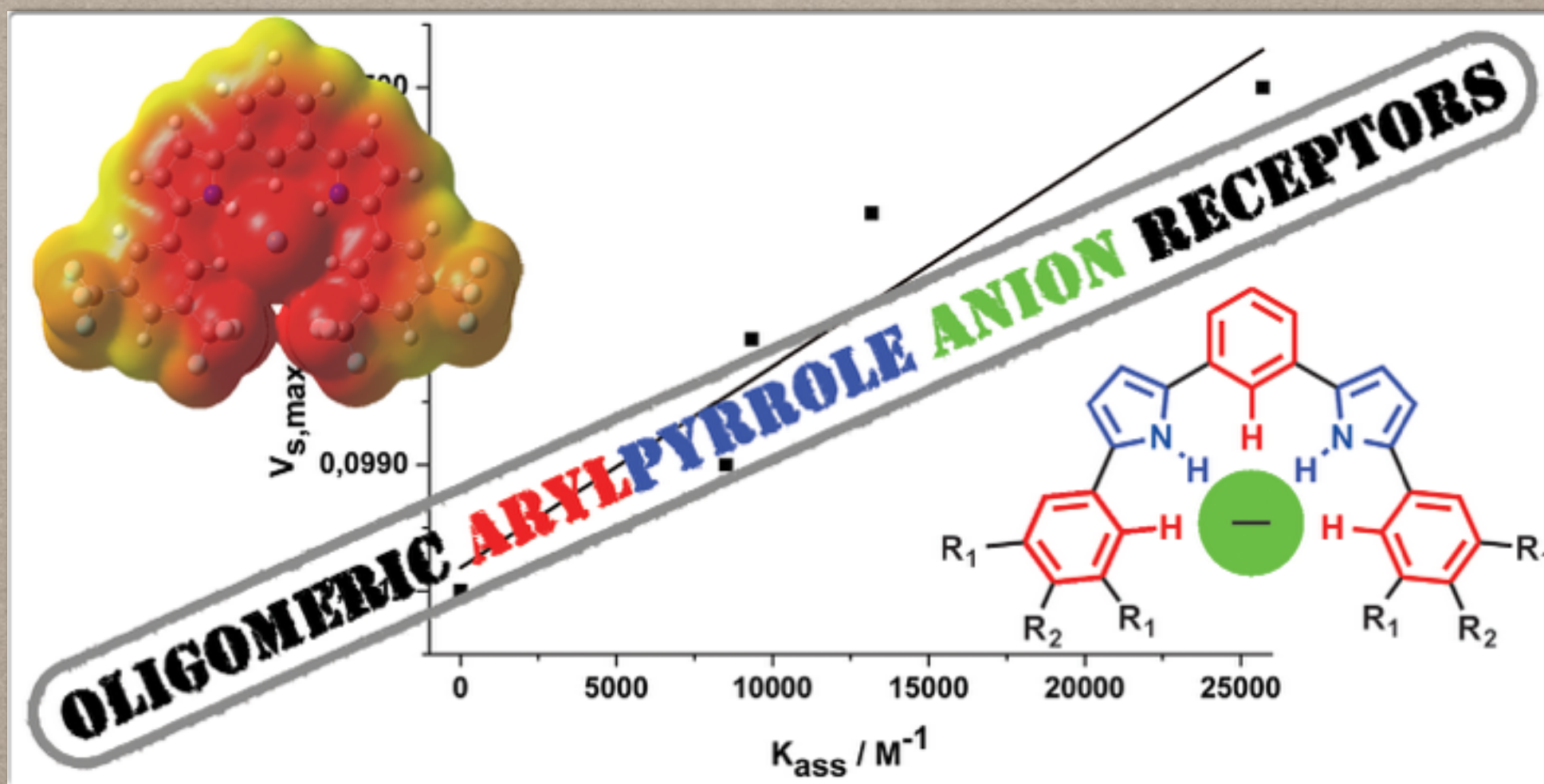
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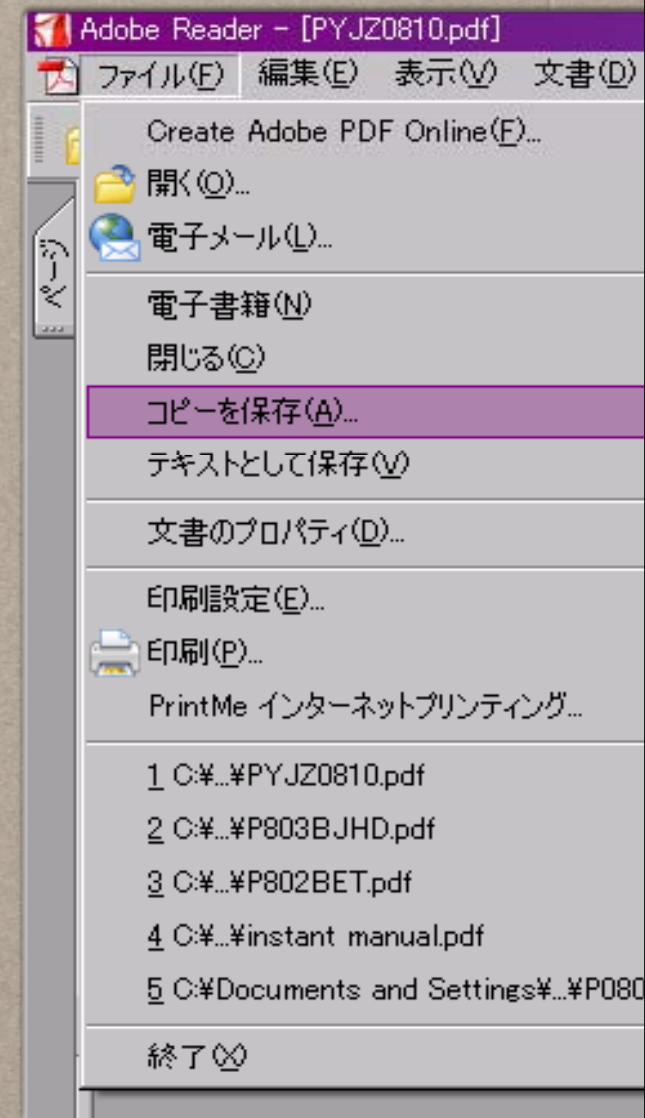
MY RESEARCH

- organic synthesis
- supramolecular chemistry - binding and self-assembly



RESEARCH ENVIRONMENTS UK VERSUS JAPAN

- manuals and equipment sometimes in Japanese
- less explanation about the equipment
- just try!
- working hours differ
- seminar - 15min is 15min - bell
- sleeping is ok ... (inemuri)
- administration - secretary is your best friend



INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS

- international character of the institute provided me with contacts from all over the world
- successful collaborations within and outside Japan via ongoing research and personal project
- met Nobel laureates Negishi and Suzuki
- conferences in Singapore, South Korea and London



EUROPEAN UNION EURAXESS RESEARCHERS IN MOTION

- network for European researchers in Japan
- seminars
- job opportunities in Japan and back in Europe
- <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/links/eurRes/japan>



JSPS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

- THE BRIDGE Fellowship - maintaining & setting up contacts (14 - 45 days)
- Holding Symposia - 5 air tickets for Japanese speakers and 2000 £ towards costs (1 - 3 days)



A FEW GOLDEN TIPS



TRANSPORT

www.japan-guide.com

Lots of useful and interesting information about Japan

www.hyperdia.com

Timetable and Route Search in Japan

Special fares for JR shinkansen tickets:

- Hikari Hayatoku Kippu

Hikari trains (Tohoku and Sanyo Shinkansen - central Honshu) - middle fast

Purchase from JR offices at least 1 week in advance

- Puratto Kodama

Kodama trains (JR Tokaido) - slowest shinkansen

Purchase at least one day before at JR Tokai Offices

Cheap airlines in Japan:

Skymark | Jetstar | AirAsia



CULTURE

- culture classes: tea ceremony, prepring sushi, ...

- Kabuki

tokyokabukiguide.com

- Sumo wrestling

- rice planting and harvesting

- ...



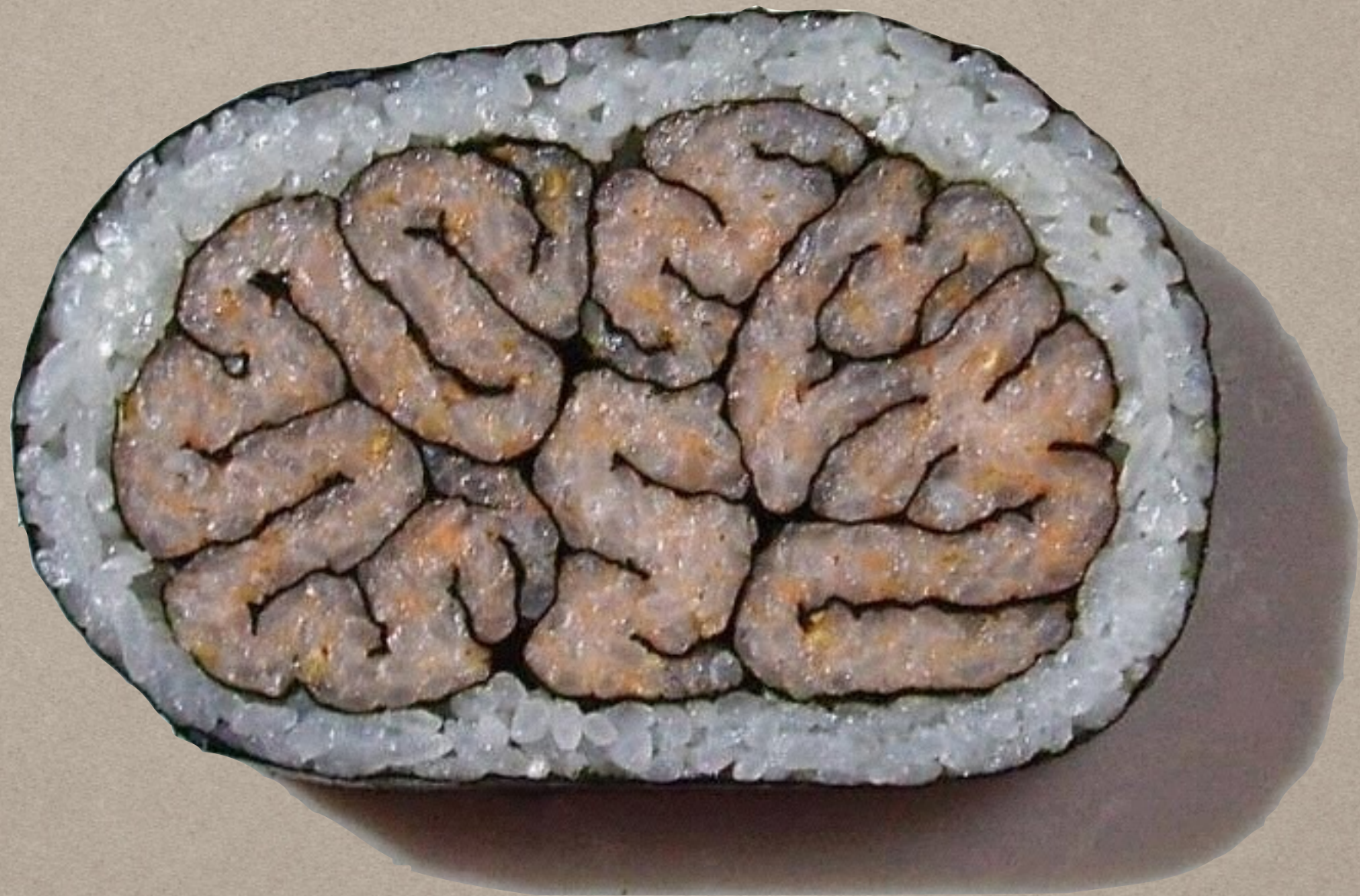
**YOU WILL BE JAPANISED, YOU CAN'T
ESCAPE IT AND YOU'LL LOVE IT**



SUMMARY

- life experience
- good for your career: skills and networking
- enjoy it!





If you think of any question,
don't let it turn into sushi