



11th Young Scientist Seminar

“Establishment of International Research Network
for Tropical Bioresources and Their Utilization”

First Circular

16th – 17th November 2015

(Yamaguchi Prefectural Seminar Park, Yamaguchi-Japan)

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Invitation

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we are pleased to invite you to the 11th Young Scientist Seminar (YSS) in Yamaguchi, Japan. This seminar will be held on 16th – 17th Nov 2015. The YSS aims to establish the international network among young researchers including students, to broaden their knowledge about recent development in scientific field around the world.

Venue

The 11th YSS will be held at the Yamaguchi-ken Seminar Park, Yamaguchi, Japan. This is a prefectural facility to provide a wonderful environment to meet with colleagues in a relaxing atmosphere.

Yamaguchi prefecture is located in the westernmost tip of Honshu island, the 2nd most populous island in the world. Because of its geographical location and ocean current, it has long had cultural exchanges with the Korean Peninsula.

Yamaguchi city is situated in the center of the prefecture. It has been long called “Kyoto of the West” due to its cultural similarities with Kyoto, the capital of Japan in the 14th century.

The temperature in November ranges from 5°C in the morning to 17°C in the afternoon.

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Sessions

The scientific program is composed of plenary, parallel and discussion session

Scope

The scientific scope of the seminar follows most of the well received features of the previous events not only in the area of utilization of tropical bioresources but also in the biological field.

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Language of the Seminar

The official language of the Seminar is English and no translation facilities are available.

Seminar Theme

Establishment of international research network for tropical bioresources and their utilization

Social Program

An icebreaker party will be taken place in the evening of the 16th Nov, 2015

Insurance

All delegates are advised to take out their own health and life insurance for the duration of the Seminar.

Important Dates

Deadline for submission of the registration form: 15th Aug 2015

Deadline for submission of the abstract : 16th Sep 2015

* Please submit your abstract before deadline. If you need to correct your abstract after the deadline, please inform us by E-mail, but not later than the end of September.

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Notice of acceptance of abstracts : 7th October 2015

Instruction of Registration form

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Important Deadline
Submission of registration form: 15th August
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The 10th Young Scientist Seminar (16th-17th November, 2013)

Abstract format

The following format is required:

1. **A single page.** Adjust single line spacing.
2. Typewritten on an **A4** paper with margin as follows:
 - Top margin **1.0 inch**
 - Bottom margin **1.0 inch**
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3. Use **Times** or **Times New Roman**
4. For Title, use bold letters in size 14 pt and align centre.
5. For Authors and their addresses, use bold letters in size 10 pt and italic letters in size 10 pt, respectively, and align left.
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Oral presentation

1. **Invited speaker :** The duration of oral presentation is 25 minutes, and discussion is 5 minutes.
2. **Participant :** The duration of oral presentation is 10 minutes, and discussion is 5 minutes in group discussion.

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Important Deadline
Submission of abstract: 16th September 2015

Enhanced protein production by using intron sequences in the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

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In previous study, genome-wide analysis revealed that *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Δ *snt309* strain produced a secretory protein *yCLuc* by 5.7-fold higher than wild type. *SNT309* encodes a subunit protein of NineTeencomplex which is involved in splicing of nuclear RNAs via splisosome. To examine the relationship between splicing and protein expression, an intron sequence was introduced into *yCLuc* and the secreted activity was measured. The *yCLuc* containing the intron showed 30-fold higher activity than wild type, indicating that intron has an ability to enhance gene expression. In this study we investigated that the effect of the introns, which located at 5'-untranslated region (5'UTR), on gene expression.

We searched introns located at around 5'UTR in *S. cerevisiae* genome and found 3 promoters which have an intron in the 5'UTR and a gene which has an intron just behind the start codon ATG. They are called intron promoter hereafter. If the promoters with intron showed high activity, they are convenient for recombinant protein production. The 4 intron promoters found in *S. cerevisiae* genome were used for *yCLuc* expression. The activities were 3~7-fold higher than the case of *TDH3* promoter, which is well-known constitutive strong promoter. Deletion of the intron in the intron promoters decreased *yCLuc* activities, indicating that the introns are important for high-expression activity of the intron promoters.

We hypothesized that chimeric promoters consisting of a strong promoter without intron and an intron promoter shows further higher activity. To test this hypothesis *TDH3* promoter and *RPS25A* promoter, one of the intron promoters, are joined at various positions and resulting chimera promoters were used for *yCLuc* expression. The chimera promoter consisting of the *TDH3* promoter to -1 position and *RPS25A* intron with 16-bp flanking sequence showed the highest activities and it was 50-fold higher than *TDH3* promoter. The chimera promoter using the galactose inducible *GAL10* promoter was also constructed. The *GAL10-RPS25A* intron chimera promoter showed 8.5-fold higher activity than *GAL10p* promoter in galactose condition but did not work in glucose condition. These results indicate that introns enhance gene expression in *S. cerevisiae*.