

# Awards

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**[2006]**

**"MEXT minister Awards for the promotion of science and technology"**

**Date:** Apr. 11, 2006

**Recipient:**

Kazuo Shinozaki (Laboratory Head, Shinozaki Research Collaborative Group)

**Winning achievement:**

Research on plant genome function of environmental stress response and tolerance.

**Conferment organization:** MEXT

**"Japanese Society for Plant Cell and Molecular Biology Thesis prize"**

**Date:** Jul. 29, 2006

**Recipient:**

Toshihiro Kobayashi (Research Scientist, Experimental Plant Division)

Masatomo Kobayashi (Head, Experimental Plant Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Thesis "Simple cryopreservation protocol with an encapsulation technique for tobacco BY-2 suspension cell cultures"

**Conferment organization:**

Japanese Society for Plant Cell and Molecular Biology

**"Prize of chairman of Saitama Prefecture high-pressure gas association"**

**Date:** Oct. 24, 2006

**Recipient:**

Gen Okada (Senior Research Scientist, Microbe Division)

**Winning achievement:**

He tries to secure the security of the high-pressure gas, and it contributes to the public's safety.

**Conferment organization:**

Saitama Prefecture and Saitama Prefecture high-pressure gas group federation

**"A Short Term Fellowship from HFSP"**

**Date:** Dec. 20, 2006

**Recipient:**

Taishi Umezawa (Research Scientist, Shinozaki Research Collaborative Group)

**Winning achievement:**

Identification of substrates of the SNF1-related protein kinase 2 in Arabidopsis

**Conferment organization:**

HFSP (Human Frontier Science Program)

**[2007]**

**"The Japanese Society of Animal Models for Human Diseases Excellent Presentation Prize"**

**Date:** Sep. 1, 2007

**Recipient:**

Satoshi Oota (Senior Scientist, Bioresource Information Division)

Hatsumi Nakata (Senior Technical Scientist, Experimental Animal Division)

Ayumi Murakami (Senior Technical Scientist, Experimental Animal Division)

Kuniya Abe (Team Leader, Technology and Development Team for Mammalian Cellular Dynamics)

Yuichi Obata (Director, BRC)

Atsushi Yoshiki (Head, Experimental Animal Division)

Kazuyuki Mekada (Research Scientist, Experimental Animal Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Presentation "The current state of use and the genetic difference in the C57BL/6 sub-strain in Japan"

**Conferment organization:**

The Japanese Society of Animal Models for Human Diseases

**"The 4th Annual Conference of the Asian Reproductive Biotechnology Society, Excellent Poster Presentation"**

**Date:** Nov. 28, 2007

**Recipient:**

Michiko Hirose (Technical Staff, Bioresource Engineering Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Poster Presentation "Improvements in the derivation and culture of rabbit embryonic stem-like cells and their characterization in vitro and in vivo"

**Conferment organization:**

Asian Reproductive Biotechnology Society

**"Research Presentation Meeting for Special Postdoctoral Researcher"****Date:** Mar. 5, 2008

Recipient: Arata Honda (Special Postdoctoral Researcher, Bioresource Engineering Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Establishment and characterization of female germline stem cells

**Conferment organization:** RIKEN**[2008]****"The 26th Japanese Society of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition Encouragement Prize"****Date:** Apr. 4, 2008**Recipient:**

Yuriko Kobayashi (Visiting Resercher, Experimental Plant Division)

**Winning achievement:**Study of Aluminum tolerant QTL in the model plant *Arabidopsis thaliana***Conferment organization:**

Japanese Society of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition

**"Japanese Society for Bioscience, Biothchnology, and Agrochemistry Kansai Branch Young Scientist Excellence Presentation Prize"****Date:** May 31, 2008**Recipient:**

Shin Kurihara (Visiting Reseacher, Microbe Division)

**Winning achievement:**A putrescine utilization pathway involves g-glutamylated intermediates of *Escherichia coli***Conferment organization:**

Japanese Society for Bioscience, Biothchnology, and Agrochemistry Kansai Branch

**"1st place of the most cited researchers in Plant & Animal Science"****Date:** May 31, 2007**Recipient:**

Kazuo Shinozaki (Laboratory Head, Shinozaki Research Collaborative Group)

**Conferment organization:** ISI The Thomson Corporation**"Japan Society for Culture Collections Encouragement Prize"****Date:** Jul. 1, 2008**Recipient:**

Mitsuo Sakamoto (Contract Researcher, Microbe Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Taxonomic studies of the Gram-negative anaerobic rods

**Conferment organization:**

Japan Society for Culture Collections

**"Scientific Selection Committee of 12th International Congress on Yeasts, Third Prize in Contest for the best Poster Presentation"****Date:** Aug. 15, 2008**Recipient:**

Rikiya Endo (Trainnee, Microbe Division)

Motofumi Suzuki (Senior Research Scientist, Microbe Division)

Yoshimi Benno (Head, Microbe Division)

**Winning achievement:**

The Novel Ambrosial of the Ambrosia Beetle Platypus quercivorus - Yeast Flora on the Beetle Gallery

**Conferment organization:**

Scientific Selection Committee of 12th International Congress on Yeasts

**"The Genetics Society of Japan Encouragement Prize"****Date:** Sep. 4, 2008**Recipient:**

Horoshi Masuya (Unit Leader, Technology and Development Unit for Knowledge Base of Mouse Phenotype)

**Winning achievement:**

Study of genetic regulation of pattern formation with mouse mutants.

**Conferment organization:** The Genetics Society of Japan

**"Society for the study of Mammalian Genetics  
The 3rd Moriwaki Kazuo Prize"**

Date: Sep. 12, 2008

**Recipient:** Atushi Yoshiki (Head, Experimental Animal  
Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Collection, preservation, and distribution of mouse resource in  
Japan

**Conferment organization:** Society for the study of  
Mammalian Genetics

**"Asian Federation of Laboratory Animal Science  
Assosiation (AFLAS) and Chinese Assosiation of  
Laboratory Animal Science (CALAS) , AFLAS  
AWARD FOR TECHNICIANS"**

Date: Sep. 29, 2008

**Recipient:**

Reiko Kojima (Agency Staff, Experimental Animal Division)

**Winning achievement:**

Simultaneous Detection of Multiple Transgenes for Various  
Genetically-Modified Mouse Strain

**Conferment organization:**

Asian Federation of Laboratory Animal Science Assosiation  
(AFLAS) and Chinese Assosiation of Laboratory Animal  
Science (CALAS)

