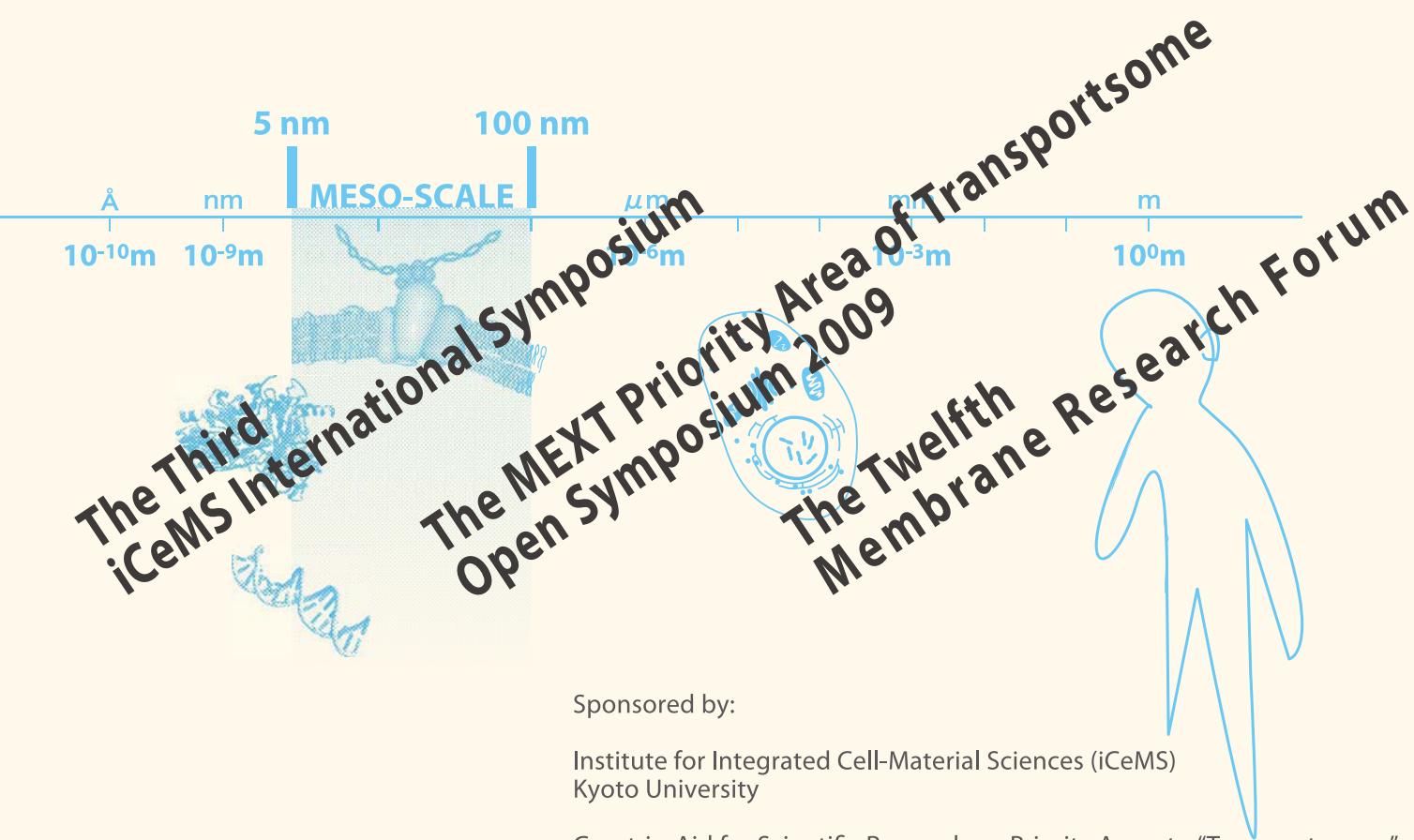


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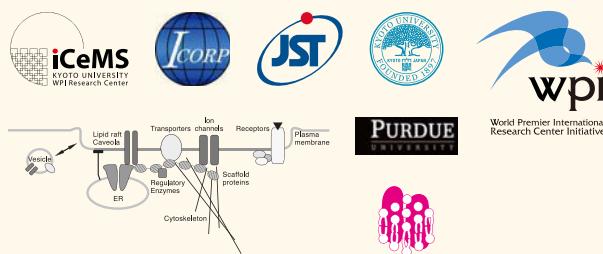
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# **Message from Director of the iCeMS**

January 27, 2009

On behalf of all my colleagues at the iCeMS, Institute for Integrated Cell-Material Sciences at Kyoto University, I welcome you to the Third iCeMS International Symposium.

iCeMS is founded as a response to the Japanese government initiative of World Premier International Research Centers (WPI program). The initiative is for establishing globally visible research centers here in Japan, which will attract top-level researchers from around the globe, particularly talented young scientists who will become world leaders in the future. The proposal to establish iCeMS was funded as one of the five such centers throughout Japan. iCeMS places a strong emphasis on international collaborations, and the iCeMS international symposium, to be held in a series, is one of our major means to develop our ties with international scientific communities.

We at the iCeMS strive to develop the fundamental understanding and control of molecular complexes in the meso-scale of 5-100 nm (meso-control), as the cell appeared to develop them through evolution. We consider these efforts critical for creating the science and technology of the next generation, and we intend to do these, with a strong focus on pluripotent stem (ES and iPS) cells. For this purpose, we make cross-disciplinary approaches to create: 1) new chemistry and physics of meso-space, 2) cellular meso-biophysics, and 3) stem-cell control by meso-engineering. We are holding this Third iCeMS Symposium on "MESO CONTROL of the cells, by the cells, for the cells, featuring membrane transportsomes", as an important part of our effort for understanding meso-scale events. It is held in collaboration with the team of Prof. Y. Kanai of Osaka University supported by Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research on Priority Areas from the MEXT, the Executive Committee of the International Membrane Research Forum, two projects of the Japan Science and Technology Agency, and Purdue University Center for Basic and Applied Membrane Sciences (PUBAMS), one of our partner institutions. I hope that the subject matters discussed here will provide good examples for interesting and useful meso-scale molecular interactions that control cellular functions.

Thank you very much again for joining us at the Third iCeMS International Symposium, co-held as The MEXT Priority Area of Transportsome Open Symposium 2009 as well as the Twelfth International Membrane Research Forum. I hope you will enjoy this meeting.

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**Welcome to**  
**Third iCeMS International Symposium,**  
**The MEXT Priority Area of Transportsome**  
**Open Symposium 2009, and**  
**Twelfth International Membrane Research Forum**

January 27, 2009

We would like to welcome everybody who is participating in this symposium, particularly the speakers from abroad. It is our great pleasure to report that many scientists expressed considerable interest in this forum, and volunteer to present their research results.

This symposium is an attempt to bring together scientists from different research backgrounds, who are working on meso-scale complexes and interactions, particularly those in/on biological membranes. Here, the meso-scale means the space scale between 5 and 100 nm, where key molecular complexes and interactions take place in the cell. These meso-structures, including protein complexes and domains in the meso-scale in/on biological membranes, are important for membrane functions, such as transport of ions and molecules across the membrane and the signal transduction, and therefore have been termed "transportsomes" from the view point of their function by a MEXT program project. Such meso-scale transportsomes are particularly amenable to the studies with the novel nanotechnologies currently being developed, such as fluorescent nano-crystals and single-molecule tracking, and novel electron microscopy techniques. Meanwhile, the atomic/molecular events occurring in the meso-scale have not been well explored in physical/chemical sciences thus far, and therefore findings made in meso-scale biological complexes would greatly contribute to advancing meso-space sciences and technologies.

With this forum, we are trying to provide a common platform for scientists working on various aspects of meso-scale structures and interactions. The aim is "synthesis" rather than specialization. We believe that the time is ripe for combining our forces together to elucidate meso-scale interactions in/on the membrane.

We hope that you will enjoy this meeting and mingle with other scientists having very different backgrounds.

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The MEXT Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research  
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# **January 27      8:45 - 18:45**

## **Opening**

**8:45 - 9:00**

### **Norio Nakatsuji**

iCeMS (Director)  
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Kyoto University

### **Aki Kusumi**

iCeMS and Institute for Frontier Medical Sciences  
Kyoto University

## **Session 1-1: Systems Nano/Meso-Biology of Cellular Signaling 1**

**9:00 - 10:10**

Chair: Takahiro Fujiwara

### **John F. Hancock**

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Ras nanoclusters:

combining digital and analog signal transmission

### **Khuloud Jaqaman**

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One in one thousand: capturing receptor oligomerization  
by single molecule tracking

**Coffee Break 10:10 - 10:30**

## **Session 1-2: Systems Nano/Meso-Biology of Cellular Signaling 2**

**10:30 - 11:40**

Chair: Kenichi Suzuki

### **Takashi Saito**

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Dynamic assembly of signaling unit for antigen recognition  
and activation of immune cells

### **Jay T. Groves**

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University of California Berkeley  
Mechanical and spatial regulation of signal transduction  
in the cell membrane

**Lunch 11:40 - 13:00**

**Session 1-3: Systems Nano/Meso-Biology  
of Cellular Signaling 3**      **13:00 - 14:10**  
Chair: Konstantin Agladze

**Antoine Triller**      Dept. of Biology  
Ecole Normale Supérieure

The postsynaptic membrane as statistical nanodevice:  
reactivity and plasticity

**Arkady Pertsov**      Dept. of Pharmacology,  
State University of  
New York Upstate Medical University  
Fluorescent imaging of electrical activity in excitable cells:  
spiral waves and cardiac arrhythmias

**Coffee Break 14:10 - 14:30**

**Session 2: Protein Assembly  
in Presynaptic Mesostructure Active Zones**      **14:30 - 16:15**  
Chair: Yasuo Mori  
Toshihisa Otsuka

**Yasuo Mori**      Dept. of Synthetic and Biological Chemistry Graduate  
School of Engineering, Kyoto University  
Calcium channelsome in excitation-secretion coupling

**Shigeo Takamori**      Center for Brain Integration Research,  
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VGLUTs: 'exciting' times for glutamatergic research?

**Toshihisa Otsuka**      Dept. of Clinical and Molecular Pathology,  
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Molecular structure and function of the presynaptic active zone

**Coffee Break 16:15 - 16:35**

### **Session 3: Nano/Meso-Physics/Chemistry Approaches for Understanding Cell Surface Functions**

**16:35 - 18:55**

Chair: Masahiro Sokabe  
Jiro Usukura

#### **Makoto Kiso**

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Synthetic ganglioside probes:  
versatile tools for elucidation of carbohydrate functions

#### **Motonari Uesugi**

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Small molecule tools for cell biology

#### **Hideo Akutsu**

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Molecular architecture of a photon-capturing device, Chlorosome

#### **John Heuser**

Washington University and  
iCeMS, Kyoto University  
EM demonstration of plasma membrane wounding and  
healing, as marked by sonoporation-induced uptake of HRP

**19:30 - 22:30      Reception**

**January 28**

**8:45 - 18:55**

**Session 4-1: Muscle Sarcoplasmic Reticulum  
as a Paradigm for Nano/Meso-Investigations 1**

**8:45 - 9:55**

Chair: Jianjie Ma

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Molecular components supporting  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  release  
in muscle cells

**Rebecca Sitsapesan** Dept. of Physiology and Pharmacology,  
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Calmodulin regulation of RyR2 and  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -release  
in cardiac muscle

**Coffee Break 9:55 - 10:15**

**Session 4-2: Muscle Sarcoplasmic Reticulum  
as a Paradigm for Nano/Meso-Investigations 2**

**10:15 - 11:25**

Chair: Hiroshi Takeshima

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Mechanisms of ryanodine receptor-initiated  
Ventricular tachycardia

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MG53-mediated membrane repair in muscle health and diseases

**Lunch 11:25 - 13:30**

**Session 5: Applications of Single-Molecule Tracking  
for Cell Biophysics**      **13:30 - 14:40**  
Chair: Yoshie Harada

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Motility of single molecules of dynein, kinesin, and myosin  
in vitro and in cells

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Imaging protein diffusion and interactions  
in the inner and outer membranes of E. coli

**Coffee Break 14:40 - 15:00**

**Session 6: Nanoparticles and Nanostructures:  
Their Applications to Biomedical Problems**      **15:00 - 16:45**  
Chair: Mikio Takano

**Mark T. Swihart**      Dept. of Chemical and Biological Engineering  
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Biocompatible silicon quantum dots for biophotonics

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Fluorescent semiconductor quantum dot-based  
nanobioprobes for biotracking and bioimaging

**Yong Chen**      iCeMS, Kyoto University  
Ecole Normale Supérieure  
Cell patterning at single cell level in microfluidic chambers

**Coffee and Snack      16:45 - 17:05**

## **Session 7: Membrane Transporters: from Crystal Structure to Cellular Function**

**17:05 - 18:50**

Chair: Yoshikatsu Kanai  
Kazumitsu Ueda

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The crystal structure of a sodium galactose transporter  
reveals mechanistic insights into  $\text{Na}^+$ /sugar symport

### **Yoshinori Moriyama**

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Transport mechanisms of  
vesicular neurotransmitter transporters

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Transportosomes in cellular function

## **Closing**

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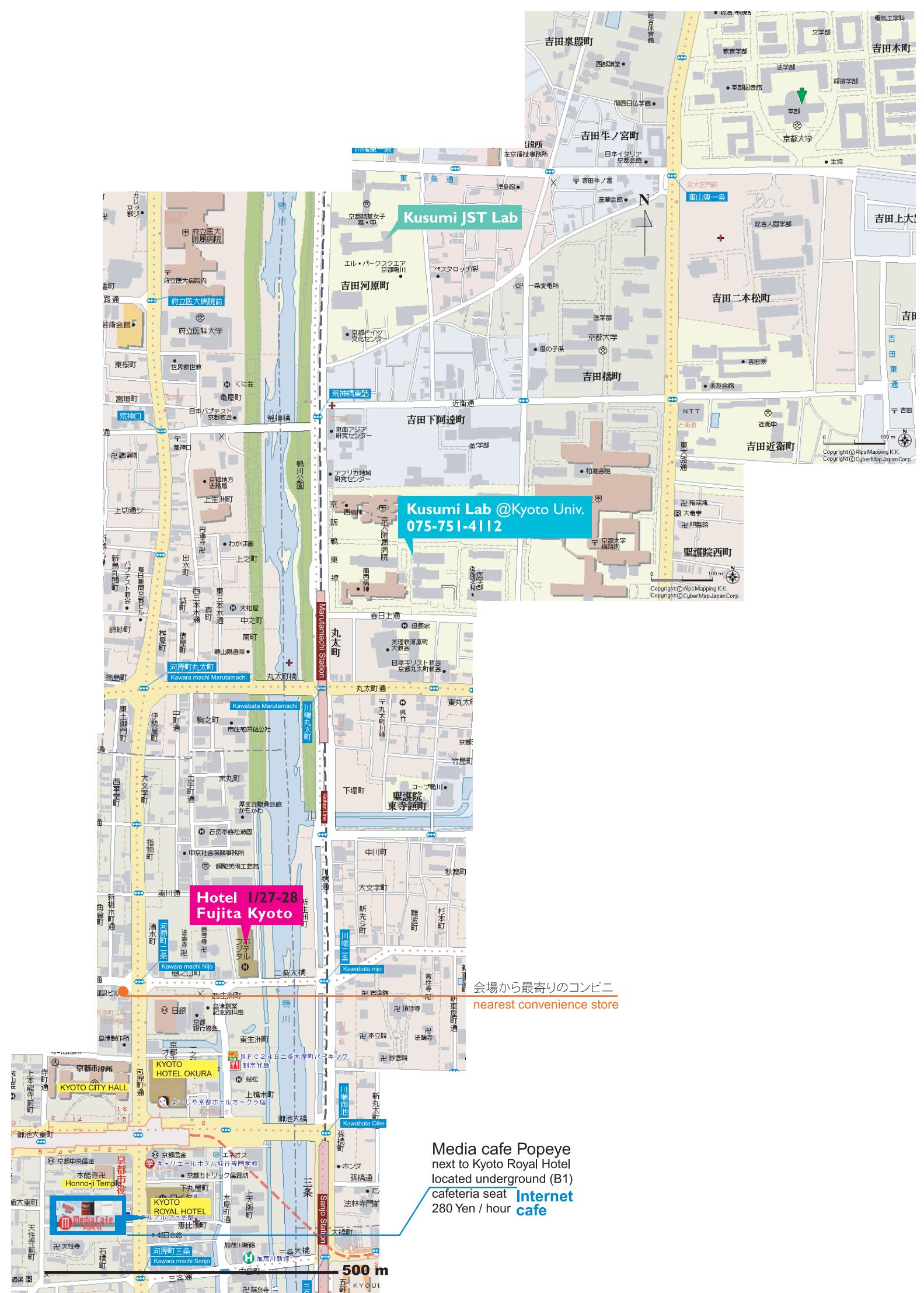
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