

Cardiovascular Surgery

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Major Scientific Interests of the Group

Most of clinical questions throughout the cardiovascular surgery field would be our scientific interests as shown in the projects below. Among them we are now focusing on AI application onto the management in the intensive care unit, and development of a novel hybrid ventricular assist device.

Projects for Regular Students in Doctoral or Master's Programs

- 1) AI application onto the management in the intensive care unit
- 2) Development of a novel hybrid ventricular assist device
- 3) Elucidation of signal transduction in aneurysmal formation
- 4) Elucidation of hematological deterioration during cardiopulmonary bypass
- 5) Development of vitamin K-reduced functional food
- 6) Development of valve simulation imaging technology
- 7) Regenerative medicine using adipose tissue stem cells

Study Programs for Short Stay Students (one week – one trimester)

- 1) Involvement in above clinical and translational researches
- 2) Observership in OR, ICU or laboratories

Selected Publications

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