

Molecular Cell Biology

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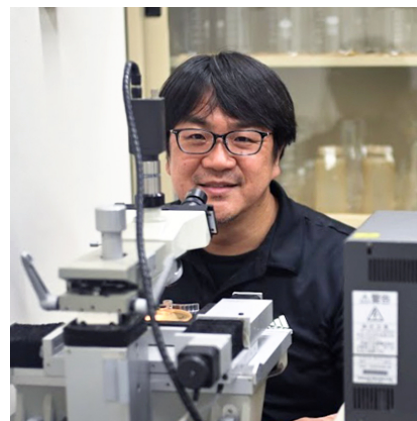
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Major Scientific Interests of the Group

- 1) Post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression by RNA-binding proteins.
- 2) Molecular mechanism of mRNA localization and local translation regulating cell polarity, asymmetric cell division, and cell-fate.
- 3) Signaling pathway for the regulation of the endoplasmic reticulum stress response.
- 4) Developmental regulation for membrane traffic in meiosis.

Projects for Regular Students in Doctoral or Master's Programs

- 1) Post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression by Khd1, Ccr4, and Pbp1 in yeast.
- 2) Stability control of *LRG1* mRNA by RNA-binding proteins.
- 3) Regulation of the endoplasmic reticulum stress response by protein kinases.

Selected Publications

- 1) Valderrama AL, Fujii S, Duy DL, Irie K, Mizuno T, Suda Y, Irie K. Pbp1 mediates the aberrant expression of genes involved in growth defect of *ccr4* and *pop2* mutants in yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. *Genes Cells*. 2021 Mar 25.
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- 12) Mizuno T, Masuda Y, Irie K. The *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* AMPK, Snf1, Negatively Regulates the Hog1 MAPK Pathway in ER Stress Response. *PLoS Genet*. 2015 Sep 22;11(9):e1005491.