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RESEARCH FOCUS

- Total synthesis of biologically active natural products with quaternary asymmetric carbon centers
- Synthetic methods development
- Molecular design and synthesis of novel molecules with intriguing biological functions

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Shizuoka, Shizuoka, Japan (May 2017–Present)

- Associate Professor (Laboratory of Professor Toshiyuki Kan)

Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (April 2004–April 2017)

- Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science (Laboratory of Professors Masaaki Miyashita and Keiji Tanino)

EDUCATION

Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, New York, NY, USA
(May 2002–March 2004)

- Postdoctoral Research Fellow
- Research Topic: Total Synthesis of Second-Generation Epothilones and Rishirilide A
- Advisor: Professor Samuel J. Danishefsky

Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan (April 1996–March 2002)

- Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry
- Thesis: Synthetic Study of Kedarcidin Chromophore
- Advisor: Professor Masahiro Hirama

Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan (April 1992–March 1996)

- B.S. degree in Chemistry
- Advisor: Professor Masahiro Hirama

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Young Chemist Award of the CSJ Hokkaido Branch for 2013 (2014)
- Mitsubishi Tanabe Pharma Award in synthetic Organic Chemistry, Japan (2012)
- Asian Core Program Lectureship Award, 1st International Conference on Cutting-Edge Organic Chemistry in Asia (2006)
- Uehara Memorial Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship (2002–2003)
- JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientist (DC1) (1998–2001)

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“Asymmetric Total Synthesis of Laurallene”
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“Synthetic study of andrastins: Stereoselective construction of the BCD-ring system”
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“Synthesis of 2-cyano-1,4-cycloheptadiene derivatives via divinylcyclopropane rearrangement and alkylation of novel cycloheptadienyl anion species”
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