

ACADEMIC RESEARCH &

INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA-GOVERNMENT COLLABORATION

NAGOYA UNIVERSITY

Collective support for academic research and industry-academia-government collaboration under one roof

NIC

National  
Innovation  
Complex

Academic Research  
& Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration

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# TOP MESSAGE

In recent years, we have been facing rapid and unprecedented changes—from the growing instability of the international landscape and vulnerabilities in energy and food supply chains, to the remarkable advances in science and technology, including AI. These developments call for future-oriented research and technological capabilities, as well as innovation driven by diverse actors working together. Against this backdrop, the role and expectations placed on universities continue to grow.

Today's universities must reinforce investment in fundamental research—the source of academic knowledge—and in the development of highly skilled human resources, thereby strengthening the foundation for the creation of new knowledge. At the same time, universities are expected to work closely with industry, government, and society at large to build a sustainable and resilient future through the social implementation of research outcomes, the creation of startups, and the enhancement of international collaboration.

Nagoya University established the Academic Research & Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration in 2013. In close partnership with the Research Cooperation Department at Administration Services, we have since advanced research support and industry collaboration supported by one of the largest URA systems in Japan. In 2020, Nagoya University and Gifu University were integrated to form the Tokai National Higher Education and Research System (THERS). Beginning in 2023, the URA teams of both universities were brought together under the Academic Research & Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration at THERS, creating a new structure that leverages the strengths of both institutions and generates new synergies.

Today, across the entire System, we are accelerating efforts to expand researcher support, strengthen collaboration with industry and local governments, and promote international co-creation. By extending our partnerships beyond the boundaries of individual universities and connecting with regions, industries, and the global community, we aim to maximize the value of research outcomes and contribute to solving societal challenges.

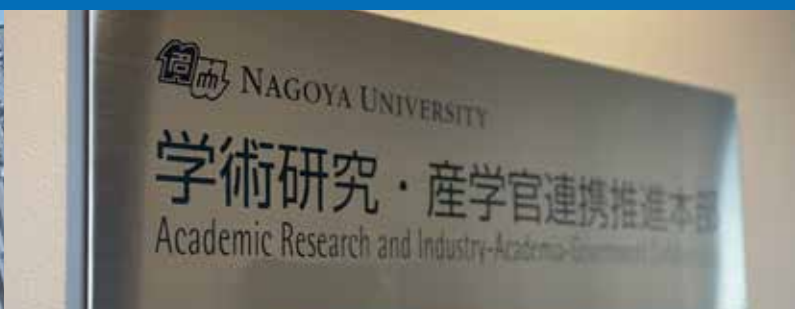
As we work toward even greater achievements together, I warmly invite you to make full use of our activities and sincerely ask for your continued support and collaboration.



**Makoto Kobashi**

Nagoya University  
Vice President

Director of Academic  
Research & Industry-  
Academia-Government  
Collaboration



# DIVISIONS



Research  
Planning

## Planning & Project

### Strategy Planning Unit

- Academic-Industry collaborative strategic planning
- Formation of location based research projects
- General Management of TOIC
- Operation of the Academic Research & Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration

### Project Promotion Unit

- Management of Large-scale projects

### Public Relations Unit

- Dissemination of research results
- Outreach activities

Fund  
Acquisition

## Research Support & Personnel Development Division

### Research Promotion Unit

- Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research and competitive research fund acquisition support (Support for each research field support for foreign researchers)

### IR Unit

- IR analysis and strategy proposals
- Survey and analysis of research capabilities
- Operation and management of research support database

### Research Security Unit

- Centralized management of research information data
- Total risk management
- Startup integrity

### Personnel Development Unit

- Fostering Young PIs
- Supporting projects for fostering young researchers

Research  
Implementa-  
tion

## Industry-Academia Collaboration & International Strategy Division

### Industry-Academia Collaboration Unit

- Strategic planning for collaborative research
- Management of collaborative research
- Support for comprehensive collaborative agreements
- Promotion of designated collaborative research
- Regional SME (small-medium enterprise) collaboration

### International Strategy Unit

- International industry-academia collaboration
- Supporting contracts with foreign countries
- Research on European and American affairs

Social  
Imple-  
mentation

## Medical and Healthcare Innovation Office

- Planning and promotion of industry-academia collaboration in the field of medical and pharmaceutical sciences
- Support for research in the field of medical and pharmaceutical sciences

## Intellectual Property & Technology Transfer Division

- Support for creation, filing, and acquisition of intellectual property rights
- Technology transfers, including licensing and assignment of intellectual property rights
- Review of joint research agreements

## Business Development Office

- International collaborative research and technology transfer promotion
- Leveraging Intellectual Property for Business Development
- Exit Strategy Planning for Technology Seeds

## Innovation & Entrepreneurship Office

### Entrepreneurship Education Unit

- Human resource development for supporting startups
- Operation of the startup base
- Collaboration with global startup cities in Japan
- Tongali(Entrepreneurship education and Incubation in the Tokai region)

### Incubation Unit

- Supports for starting a business
- Planning and operation of Gap funds and research seeds development funds
- Planning and operation of incubation programs

# CONTACT

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### Joint research with NU researchers

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### Technology and other intellectual property owned by NU

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### Entrepreneurship education & incubation

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### SeedsSearch<sup>+AI</sup>

Research seeds search system powered by AI



### Nagoya U Research FRONTLINE

An online platform that presents information on innovative researchers and recent research at Nagoya University.



### Tongali

Entrepreneurship Education & Incubation in the Tokai Region



### Nagoya University based ventures



### Tokai Open Innovation Complex

Tokai-Regional Open Innovation Hub for Industry-Academia Collaboration



## For NU researchers

### Support in acquiring competitive research funds

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### Patent application and technology transfer of research results

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## MAP



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