

A horizontal banner image featuring a collage of various biological and medical scenes. On the left, a person in a white lab coat is looking at a display. The center shows laboratory glassware, including test tubes and beakers. The right side features fresh green vegetables and a blue background with a pattern of small fish.

NPO Kinki Bio-industry Development Organization

Information

June 2025

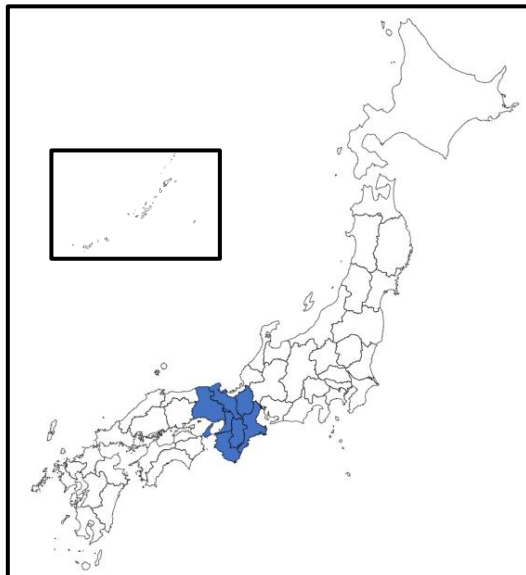
Foundation

The Kinki Bio-industry Development Organization (KBDO) was established in March 1985 by Dr. Yuichi Yamamura, President of Osaka University, and others in industry and government to promote bio-industry in the Kansai region more effectively by bringing industry, academia, and government together.



Dr. Yuichi Yamamura

About Kansai (Kinki) Region



Since a long time, the Kansai region has been enriching the lives of people around the world by combining the power of its people with a spirit of challenge and by pioneering new industrial fields.

Kansai is home to many of the nation's top universities. It has a remarkable history of industrial development and of achievements of people and companies with advanced knowledge and technology, making it a world-class biocluster.

Information and Greeting

Name	NPO Kinki Bio-industry Development Organization (KBDO)
Foundation	March 1985 (Transitioned to a non-profit organization in April 2003)
Mission	We aim to achieve a comfortable and vibrant society by conducting projects related to bioindustry promotion, maintaining and improving people's health, and protecting the environment of society, and so on.
Address	3F, 4-8-4, Kawaramachi, Chuo-ku, Osaka 541-0048, Japan
Chairman	Dr. Tsuneaki Sakata (Specially Appointed Professor Co-creation Bureau Osaka University)
Board	29 members
Member	114 institutions



Chairman
Dr. Tsuneaki Sakata

I am Tsuneaki Sakata, Chairman of the NPO Kinki Bio-industry Development Organization. For more than 20 years, I have been involved in industry-government-academia collaboration projects as a director and vice-chairman of this organization, and I have been involved in communication with overseas bio-clusters. In recent years, I have served as President of the All Japan BioCommunity Liaison Committee. Biocommunity Kansai(BioCK), established in July 2021, has become increasingly prominent as a global biocommunity accredited by the cabinet office and has begun activities toward forming a bioeconomy in the Kansai region. Since its establishment in 1985, KBDO has formed important networks with industry, government, and academia. We wish to take over this valuable asset and devote ourselves to the further development of the bio-industry. We look forward to your continued support and guidance.

Members

As of June, 2025

Activities of the Kansai Pharmaceutical Industries Association (KPIA)	Hineno Certified Public Accountant Office	Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Saraya Co., Ltd.
ACROBIOSYSTEMS JAPAN CO.,LTD.	Hokkaido Government Osaka Office	Nara Institute of Science and Technology	SeedBank Co.,Ltd.
AnGes, Inc.	IMEQRD Co., Ltd	National Cerebral and Cardiovascular Center	SETSUNAN UNIVERSITY
AS ONE Corporation	Inabata & Co., Ltd.	National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology	Setsuro Tech Inc.
Asahi Kasei Life Science Corp.	Ishimoto Architectural & Engineering Firm, Inc.	NEI Northeast Indiana	Shiga Prefecture
Association of Bio Business Creation	Iwatani Corporation	Nippon Boehringer Ingelheim Co ., Ltd.	SHIMADZU CORPORATION
At Co.,Ltd.	Japan Tobacco Inc.	Nippon Shinyaku Co., Ltd.	Shionogi & Co., Ltd.
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Bio-sight Capital,Inc.	KANKYO EISEI YAKUHN CO., LTD.	Osaka Bio-Medical College	Sunstar Inc.
BLA Regulatory	Kansai Chemical Engineering Co., Ltd.	Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.	Suntory Global Innovation Center Ltd.
Cambridge Consultants Ltd	Kansai Economic Federation	Osaka Metropolitan University	Synapto Ventures
CSKT LIMITED	KATAYAMA CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES Co.,Ltd.	Osaka Prefectral Hospital Organization	SYSMEX CORPORATION
C-TECH CORPORATION	Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Ltd.	Osaka Prefecture	Takara Bio Inc.
Cyto-facto Inc.	KNC Laboratories Co., Ltd.	Osaka Research Institute of Industrial Science and Technology	TAKENAKA CORPORATION
Daicel Corporation	Knowledge Palette,Inc.	OSAKA SODA CO.,LTD.	The Japan Research Institute, Limited
DAIKIN INDUSTRIES, LTD.,	Kobe City	Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	The New Industry Research Organization (NIRO)
Development Bank of Japan Inc.	KOBELCO ECO-SOLUTIONS CO.,LTD.	Panasonic Corporation	The Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC	Kookmin-Bio	Pasona Agri-partners Inc	TOC Co., Ltd.
FonesLife Corporation	KRI, Inc.	Pharma Foods International Co., Ltd.	Tokyo Tatemono Co., Ltd.
Foundation for Biomedical Research and Innovation at Kobe	KUBOTA Corporation.	RD SUPPORT Co.,LTD.	Tractus Asia Limited
FUJIFILM Wako Pure Chemical Corporation	Kyoeiseicha Co.,Ltd	Recycling System Center	Wakayama Prefecture
FUJITSU LIMITED	Kyoto Prefecture	Rena Therapeutics Inc.	WORLD INTEC CO.,LTD.
Fukui Prefecture	Life Science Innovation Network Japan(LINK-J)	Research Institute of Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Osaka Prefecture	Yamanashi Prefecture Osaka Branch
Fukuoka Prefecture Osaka Office	Maruishi Pharmaceutical Co.,Ltd.	Research Institute of Innovative Technology for the Earth	Yanmar Holdings Co., Ltd.
GeneDesign Inc.	miibio, Inc.	ROHTO Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	YASHIMA PURE CHEMICALS CO.,LTD.
H.U.Cells, Inc.	Mitsubishi Tanabe Pharma Corporation	Saito Hills Club.	Yokogawa Innovation ¹ Switzerland GmbH
Hankyu Hanshin Holdings,Inc.	Morishita Jintan Co.,Ltd.		



Activities

Industrialization Support

- ◆ Biocommunity Kansai (BioCK)
- ◆ Industry-academia Individual Matching

Study Groups (Members Only)

- ◆ Study Group on Development of Functional Foods for Prevention of Lifestyle-related Diseases
- ◆ Meeting on the Next Generation of Biotechnology
- ◆ Capillary Laboratory and Social Implementation Consortium

Venture Support

- ◆ Kansai Bio Business Matching
- ◆ Life Science Overseas Business Development Support Project with Osaka Prefecture
- ◆ Support for Exhibiting at BioJapan
- ◆ Japanese Life Science Startup List

Seminars and Lectures

- ◆ Kansai Life Science Leading Scientists Seminar
- ◆ Venue Participation Type Talk Seminar

International Exchange

- ◆ New Year's International Exchange Party

Vision

Spreading a bio-first approach to build a Global Biocommunity and realize a sustainable society

Goal

Creating an ultimate ecosystem for the bio-fields in Kansai

Key word

Shifting from “Accumulation” to “Collaboration”

Name

Biocommunity Kansai
Abbreviation: BiocK

Establishment

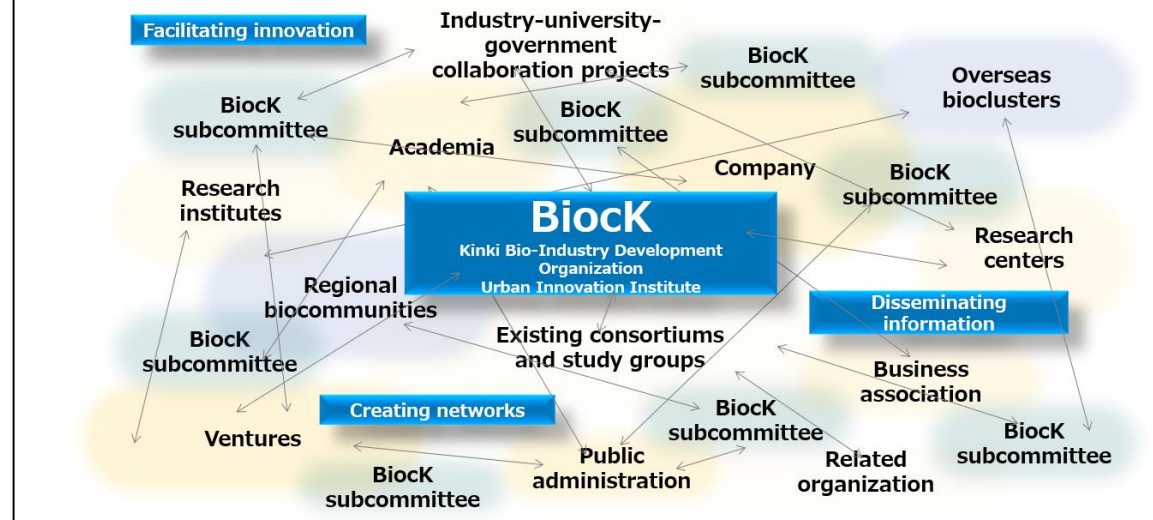
July 1st, 2021

Certification

April 22, 2022

(Global bio-community certification
by the Japanese cabinet office)

Shifting from “Accumulation” to “Collaboration”



Matching Business

Kansai Bio Business Matching

- Held since FY2011
- **Fully online format** to be implemented from FY2020.

Target fields : **Biotechnology in general (pharmaceuticals and drug discovery, drug discovery support, research support, regenerative medicine, healthcare, food, food with functional labels, cosmetics, materials, chemistry, analysis, agriculture, fisheries, livestock industry, environment, energy, digital and AI, etc.)**

Method : Online Meeting

Recruitment of overseas participants will be considered from the next fiscal year (FY) onward.

Support for Exhibiting at BioJapan

- We operate a joint exhibition booth to support exhibits by member companies.
- FY2023 results: 14 companies



Japanese Life Science Startup List

- This Japanese Life Science Startup List is edited and managed jointly by Japan Bioindustry Association and NPO Kinki Bio-Industry Development Organization in cooperation with supporting organizations to biocommunities and life science startups of each region in Japan.

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Research meetings, seminars, and lectures

Study Group on Development of Functional Foods for Prevention of Lifestyle-related Diseases

Activities were started in 2006 to develop and commercialize functional food products approved by doctors and expected by consumers.

Capillary Laboratory and Social Implementation Consortium

Activities were started in 2021 to establish capillary imaging as a health indicator and to implement it in society.



Kansai Life Science Leading Scientists Seminar

Lectures by professors in Kansai who are conducting cutting-edge research in the life science field will be held.

Venue Participation Type Talk Seminar

Mr. Miyata of Miyata Institute of Technologies will be asked to be the coordinator of the organization, which will be guided by him and top executives of companies

New Year's International Exchange Party

The New Year's event will promote exchange and information exchange with biotechnology-related organizations and other organizations in various countries

Representatives from 10 countries took the stage in 2023

Aiming to Contribute to Solving Social Issues

