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POST-DOC BIOLOGIST JSPS OVERSEAS-RESEARCH FELLOW

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EDUCATION/ TRAINING/ EMPLOYMENT

Post-doc JSPS Overseas Research Fellow
Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Institut
für Biologie III
Lab Head: Prof. Annegret Wilde

2020-

Post-doc EMBO Long-Term Fellow
Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Institut
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Lab Head: Prof. Annegret Wilde

2018-2020

Academic Fellow
The University of Tokyo, Graduate School of
Arts and Sciences
Host Researcher: Prof. Masahiko Ikeuchi

2018-2019

Assistant Professor
The University of Tokyo, Graduate School of
Arts and Sciences
Lab Head: Prof. Masahiko Ikeuchi

2016-2018

PhD
The University of Tokyo, Graduate School of
Arts and Sciences
Dissertation: "Molecular mechanisms of
cyanobacteriochrome signaling via c-di-GMP"
Supervisor: Prof. Masahiko Ikeuchi

2013-2016

MS
The University of Tokyo, Graduate School of
Arts and Sciences
Thesis: "Biochemical analysis of
cyanobacteriochromes from a thermophilic
cyanobacterium *Thermosynechococcus*"
Advisor: Prof. Masahiko Ikeuchi

2011-2013

BS

The University of Tokyo, College of Arts and Sciences
Major: Biology

2007-2011

HONORS, AWARDS AND GRANTS

JSPS Overseas Research Fellowship 2020-2022
EMBO Long-Term Fellowship 2018-2020
grant-in-aid for Young Scientists (B) (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) KAKENHI grant No. 17K15244) 2017-2019
The president of Japanese society of young photosynthesis researchers 2017
Research Fellowships for Young Scientists by JSPS for Doctoral Course Students (DC1) 2013-2016
Grants-in-Aid for JSPS Fellows, 2013-2016

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (INTERNATIONAL)

Oral

- o Gen Enomoto and Masahiko Ikeuchi
"Cyanobacteriochrome-mediated blue/green light signaling is a population density-sensing system under photosynthesis-driving red light"
10th European Workshop on the Molecular Biology of Cyanobacteria, (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), August 2017
- o Gen Enomoto, Rei Narikawa, and Masahiko Ikeuchi
"Cyanobacteriochrome trio as color-sensitive light input module for c-di-GMP signaling"
9th European Workshop on the Molecular Biology of Cyanobacteria, ORAL3-6, (Texel, The Netherlands), September 2014

Poster

- o Gen Enomoto, Annegret Wilde, and Masahiko Ikeuchi
"Blue/green light responsive cyanobacteriochromes are cell shade sensors to adjust c-di-GMP levels according to cell depth in cyanobacterial community"
Nucleotide Second Messenger Signaling in Bacteria SPP 1879 International Symposium, P13, (Berlin, Germany), September 2018

(and 9 other posters)

Teaching Experience

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg Germany, 2018-
Post-doc

- Supervised one SPlI student and one master student.
The University of Tokyo, Japan, 2016-2018
- Assistant Professor**, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences,
- Taught *Experimental course of Basic biology*, an undergraduate course averaging 120 students per day in summer semester in cooperation with 7~8 assistant professors, covering the following topics: molecular biology, microbiology, plant biology, cell biology, etc.

LANGUAGES

Japanese: Native Language

English: (TOEFL result: 93, 2016)

German: Elementary

PUBLICATIONS

Maeda, K., Okuda, Y., **Enomoto, G.**, Watanabe, S., & Ikeuchi, M. (2021).
Biosynthesis of a sulfated exopolysaccharide, synechan, and bloom formation in the model cyanobacterium *Synechocystis* sp. strain PCC 6803.
eLife, 10, e66538.

Fushimi, K., Hasegawa, M., Ito, T., Rockwell, N. C., **Enomoto, G.**, Lagarias, J. C., Ikeuchi, M., and Narikawa, R.* (2020)
Evolution-inspired design of multicolored photoswitches from a single cyanobacteriochrome scaffold.
Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 117(27), 15573-15580

Enomoto, G., Kamiya, A., Okuda, Y., Narikawa, R., and Ikeuchi, M*. (2020)
Tlr0485 is a cAMP-activated c-di-GMP phosphodiesterase in a cyanobacterium *Thermosynechococcus*.
The Journal of General and Applied Microbiology 66(2), 147-152

Enomoto, G.* and Ikeuchi, M. (2020)
Blue/green light-responsive cyanobacteriochromes are cell shade sensors in red-light replete niches.
iScience 100936

Enomoto, G., Wilde, A., and Ikeuchi, M*. (2020)
Light-Regulated Nucleotide Second Messenger Signaling in Cyanobacteria.
Microbial Cyclic Di-Nucleotide Signaling (book chapter) 311-327

Enomoto, G.*, Okuda, Y., and Ikeuchi, M. (2018)

Tlr1612 is the major repressor of cell aggregation in the light-color-dependent c-di-GMP signaling network of *Thermosynechococcus vulcanus*.

Scientific reports 8, 5338

Hasegawa, M., Fushimi, K., Miyake, K., Nakajima, T., Oikawa, Y., **Enomoto, G.**, Sato, M., Ikeuchi, M., and Narikawa, R.* (2018)

Molecular characterization of DXCF cyanobacteriochromes from the cyanobacterium *Acaryochloris marina* identifies a blue-light power sensor.

J. Biol. Chem. 293, 1713-1727

Fushimi, K., **Enomoto, G.**, Ikeuchi, M., and Narikawa, R.* (2017)

Distinctive properties of dark reversion kinetics between two red/green-type cyanobacteriochromes and their application in the photoregulation of cAMP synthesis.

Photochem. Photobiol. 93, 681-691

Fushimi, K., Rockwell, N. C., **Enomoto, G.**, Ni Ni, W., Martin, S. S., Gan, F., Bryant, D. A., Ikeuchi, M., Lagarias, J. C., and Narikawa, R.* (2016)

Cyanobacteriochrome photoreceptors lacking the canonical Cys residue.

Biochemistry 55, 6981-6995

Fortunato, A. E., Jaubert, M., **Enomoto, G.**, Bouly, J. P., Raniello, R., Thaler, M., Malviya, S., Bernardes, J. S., Rappaport, F., Gentili, B., Huysman, M. J., Carbone, A., Bowler, C., d'Alcala, M. R.*, Ikeuchi, M., and Falciatore, A.* (2016)

Diatom phytochromes reveal the existence of far-red-light-based sensing in the ocean.

Plant Cell 28, 616-628

Enomoto, G., Ni Ni, W., Narikawa, R., and Ikeuchi, M.* (2015)

Three cyanobacteriochromes work together to form a light color-sensitive input system for c-di-GMP signaling of cell aggregation.

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 112, 8082-8087

Narikawa, R.*, Nakajima, T., Aono, Y., Fushimi, K., **Enomoto, G.**, Ni Ni, W., Itoh, S., Sato, M., and Ikeuchi, M. (2015)

A biliverdin-binding cyanobacteriochrome from the chlorophyll *d*-bearing cyanobacterium *Acaryochloris marina*.

Scientific reports 5, 7950

Enomoto, G., Nomura, R., Shimada, T., Ni Ni, W., Narikawa, R., and Ikeuchi, M.* (2014)
Cyanobacteriochrome SesA is a diguanylate cyclase that induces cell aggregation in *Thermosynechococcus*.

J. Biol. Chem. 289, 24801-24809

Narikawa, R.* , **Enomoto, G.**, Ni Ni, W., Fushimi, K., and Ikeuchi, M. (2014)
A new type of dual-Cys cyanobacteriochrome GAF domain found in cyanobacterium *Acaryochloris marina*, which has an unusual red/blue reversible photoconversion cycle.

Biochemistry 53, 5051-5059

Enomoto, G., Hirose, Y., Narikawa, R., and Ikeuchi, M.* (2012)
Thiol-based photocycle of the blue and teal light-sensing cyanobacteriochrome Tlr1999.

Biochemistry 51, 3050-3058

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