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Education

- 2005-2007 Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Science: Toyama University Institute of Natural Medicine Research Center for Ethnomedicine, Division of Biofunctional Evaluation
Thesis: "Preparation, Characterization and Anti-oxidative Effects of Oligomeric Proanthocyanidin-L-Cysteine Complexes"
- 1987-1989 MSc.: Kyoto University Graduate School of Engineering
Department of Polymer Chemistry
- 1983-1987 Kyoto University Faculty of Engineering: Undergraduate School of Industrial Chemistry, Department of Polymer Chemistry
- 1980-1983 Hokkaido Sapporo Kita High School

Work Experience

1989-Present **Amino Up Chemical Co., ltd.**

September, 2012-Present President/COO

2011-2012 Senior Executive Director

2006-2011 Executive Director, Research and Development Division

1989-2006 Researcher, Research and Development Division

- Engaged in natural products chemistry;

 Purification, identification and quantification of compounds.

 Analysis of the structure-activity relation

 Developing the process from experimental scale to industrial scale.

1989-1998

Asahi Glass Co., LTD:

Central Research Lab., Biochemical Group

- Engaged in synthetic organic chemistry:
 - Synthesis of fluorine-containing prostaglandin, fluorine-containing nucleic acid, phospholipids derivative, and modified enzymes.
- Experienced drug development along with introducing GCP and GMP
- Conducted pre-clinical trials and compositional analysis.

Publications

(1) Lipase modification by various synthetic polymers for use in chloroform

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Department of Polymer Chemistry, Kyoto University

Biotech. Lett., **14**, 1149-1152 (1992)

(2) Enzymatic hybridization with synthetic polymers for use in organic media

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(4) Lecithinization of IL-6 enhances its thrombopoietic activity in mice

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Division of Drug Delivery Systems, St. Marianna University

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(6) Isoflavone aglycon produced by culture of soybean extracts with basidiomycetes and its anti-angiogenic activity

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Department of Biochemistry, Amino Up Chemical Co., Ltd.

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Cancer Immunol Immunother., **55** (10), 1258-1266 (2005)
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- (11) **Comparative efficacy of oligonol, catechin and (-)-epigallocatechin 3-O-gallate in modulating the potassium bromate-induced renal toxicity in rats**
H. Nishioka, H. Fujii, B. Sun, OI. Aruoma
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- (12) **Low molecular proanthocyanidin dietary biofactor Oligonol: Its modulation of oxidative stress, bioefficacy, neuroprotection, food application and chemoprevention potentials**
OI. Aruoma, B. Sun, H. Fujii, VS. Neergheen, T. Bahorun, KS. Kang, MK. Sung
Faculty of Health and Social Care, London South Bank University
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- (13) **Protective effect of grape seed polyphenols against high glucose-induced oxidative stress**
H. Fujii, T. Yokozawa, YA. Kim, C. Tohda, G. Nonaka
Institute of Natural Medicine, University of Toyama
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- (15) **Nutritional Food Active Hexose Correlated Compound (AHCC) Enhances Resistance against Bird Flu**
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Amino Up Chemical Co Ltd.
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EL. Spierings, H. Fujii, B. Sun, T. Walshe
Medvadis Research Corporation, Wellesley Hills
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JA. Polagruto, HB. Gross, F. Kamangar, K. Kosuna, B. Sun, H. Fujii, CL. Keen, RM. Hackman
Department of Family and Consumer Science, Sacramento City College
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- (22) **Active hexose correlated compound activates immune function to decrease bacterial load in a murine model of intramuscular infection.**
H. Aviles, P. O'Donnell, J. Orshal, H. Fujii, B. Sun, G. Sonnenfeld
Department of Biological Sciences, Binghamton University, State University of New York
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- (23) **Evaluation of active hexose correlated compound hepatic metabolism and potential for drug interactions with chemotherapy agents.**
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Division of Pharmacy, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
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- (24) **Flavanols: digestion, absorption and bioactivity**
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Department of Nutrition, University of California
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Department of Molecular Predictive Medicine and Sport Science, Kyorin University
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- (33) **Oligonol, a lychee fruit-derived low molecular weight polyphenol formulation, inhibits UVB-induced cyclooxygenase-2 expression, and induces NAD(P)H:quinone oxidoreductase-1 expression in hairless mouse skin**
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College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University
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Department of Molecular and Medical Pharmacology, Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Toyama
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S. Kalgaonkar, H. Nishioka, HB. Gross, H. Fujii, CL. Keen, RM. Hackman
Department of Nutrition, University of California
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Institute of Natural Medicine, University of Toyama
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Department of Molecular Predictive Medicine and Sport Science, Kyorin University
Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun., **402** (3), 554-559 (2010)
- (43) **Comparison of the Effect of Oligonol, A New Lychee Fruit-derived Low Molecular Form of Polyphenol, and Epigallocatechin-3-gallate on Lipolysis in Rat Primary Adipocytes**
J. Ogasawara, K. Kitadate, H. Nishioka, H. Fujii, T. Sakurai, T. Kizaki, T. Izawa, H. Ishida, H. Ohno
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R. Hunter, H. Fujii, K. Wakame, A. Gaikwad, JK. Wolf, JA. Smith
Division of Pharmacy, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
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W. Lee, N. Lee, H. Fujii, I. Kang
Department of Internal Medicine, Yale University School of Medicine
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R. Ishizuka, H. Fujii, T. Miura, Y. Fukuchi, K. Tajima
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