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On the 1st of March, the "Yamaguchi University Graduate School Industry-Academic-Government Seminar on Applied Molecular Bioscience - the Role of Industry, Academia and the Government in the Development and Implementation of Regenerative Medicine " was held. The seminar was attended by over 150 participants from both inside and outside the University.

The chairman of the seminar was Professor Isao Sakaida of the Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Yamaguchi University 's Graduate School of Medicine. Professor Yoshiki Sawa, the Director of the Medical Center for Translation Research at Osaka University

Hospital and Dr. Hajime Ohgushi, the Senior Chief Engineer at the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, were invited to give special lectures.

Following the lectures was a panel discussion where Lecturer Shuji Terai of Yamaguchi University 's Graduate School of Medicine, Dr. Masshi Umegaki, Specialist at the Human Stem Cell Research Division of the Research and Development Department at the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, Dr. Koichiro Tsuji, President and CEO of the TWO CELLS Co.,Ltd. and Dr. Samuel JK. Abraham, Head of the Japan Office of the Nichi-In Centre for Regenerative Medicine discussed the present state of regenerative medicine in Japan and the world, its future, the problems it faces and how it is grounded in the cooperation between industrial, academic and government institutions. The seminar proved to be a huge step towards the promotion and advancement of regenerative medicine.

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