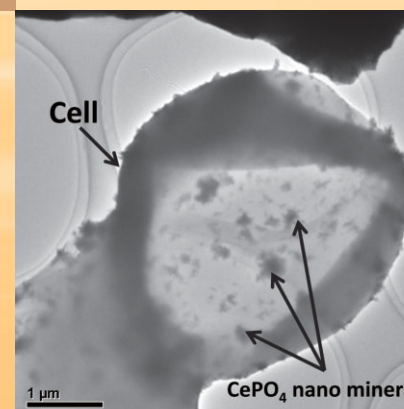
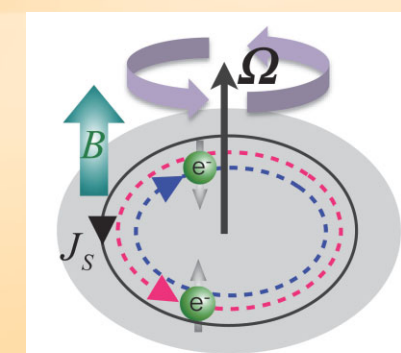


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Preface

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On behalf of the Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC), the Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA), I would like to express my sincere sympathy to the people affected by the earthquake on March 11, 2011.

Some of the research facilities of JAEA have been damaged by the earthquake, and are now being restored. Fortunately, all the members of ASRC are fine and there is no harmful impact on the ASRC building. Although some of the experimental labs need some time to recover completely, the ASRC has returned to normal since March 22. The ASRC staffs are also making contributions to the JAEA's activities to deal with the Fukushima nuclear crisis. Despite the circumstances, the members have made good progress in their research. This is the issue of the Annual Report of ASRC's research activities focused in the fiscal year 2010, which includes six research highlights in ASRC and the summary of the research contents of 11 research groups.

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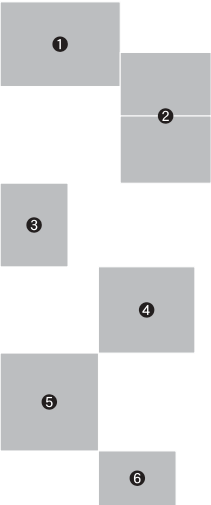
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Strategy of Research

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The Advanced Science Research Center (ASRC) has been conducting new frontier research related to atomic energy sciences. Our task is to discover new principles and phenomena with the advantages of the state-of-the-art research infrastructure of the Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA). The subjects are carefully selected on the basis of their originality, as well as their scientific and technological potential impact. The research duration is limited to a maximum of five years. The strategy of research has been examined and approved at the Evaluation Committee of Research Activities for Advanced Science Research (an external committee) meeting, which was held in April 22-23, 2010.

The ASRC runs with the following three visions:

1. To pursue advanced basic research,
2. To be an international center of excellence (COE) for basic research in atomic energy sciences,
3. To develop new research fields and foster talented young scientists.

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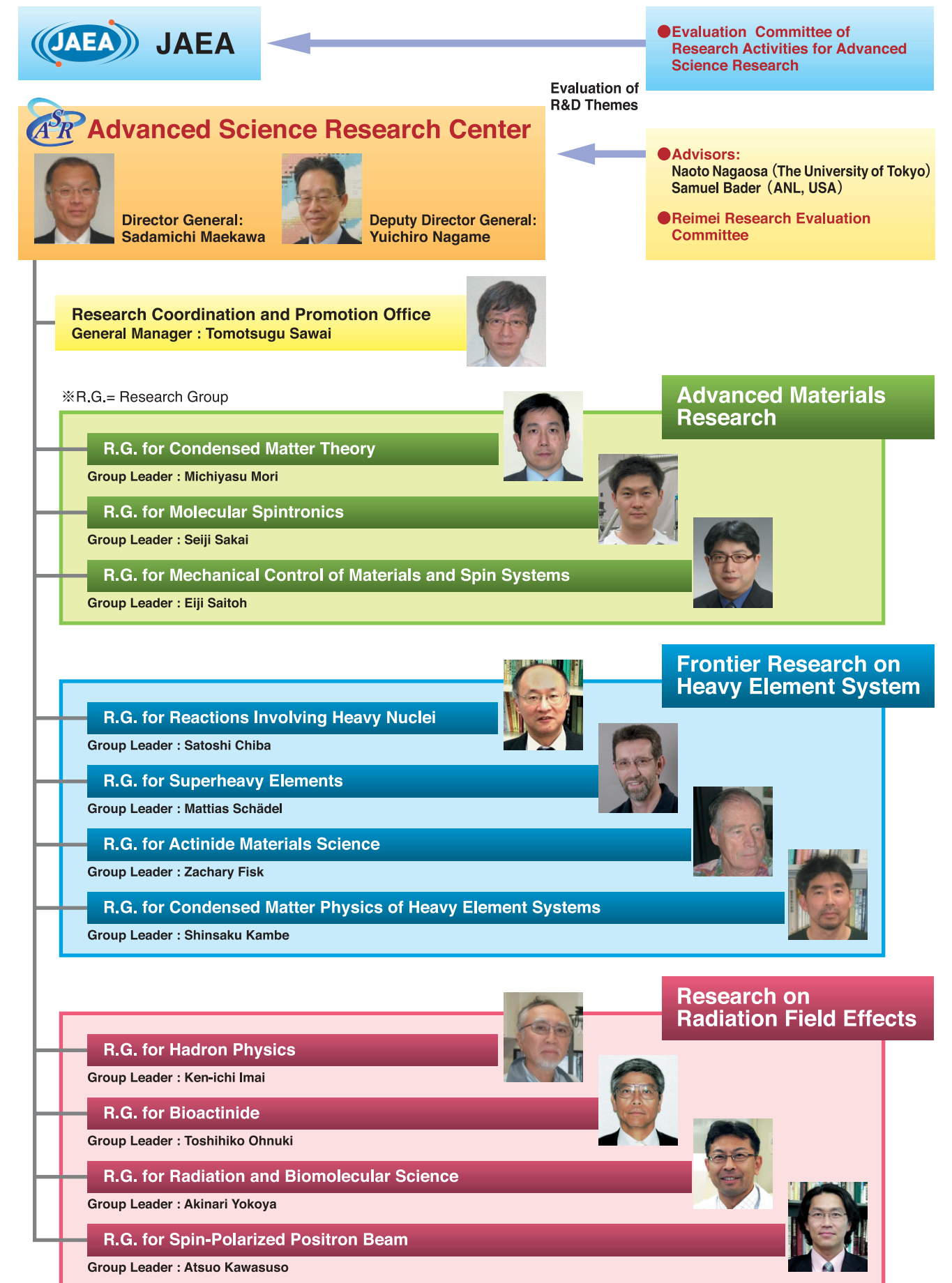
- i) Appointment of two distinguished scientists as the research advisors.
- ii) Invitation of three world-wide leading scientists as the group leaders.
- iii) Conducting international collaborations through the Reimei Research Program
(a funding program of ASRC).
- iv) Organization of Evaluation Committee to review ASRC from the international viewpoint.

Research programs:

The following three research areas are taken up at the fiscal year 2010, and each area has several advanced research subjects;

- i) Advanced materials research.
- ii) Frontier research on heavy element systems.
- iii) Research on radiation field effects.

Organization of ASRC



Effects of mechanical rotation on spin currents

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In 1915, Albert Einstein, Wander Johannes de Haas and Samuel Jackson Barnett discovered the coupling of magnetism and rotational motion [1,2]. They measured the gyromagnetic ratio and the anomalous g factor of electrons well before the dawn of modern quantum physics. Recent developments in nanoprocessing technologies have led to the detection of the effects of mechanical rotation on nanostructured magnetic systems [3, 4].

Spin-dependent transport phenomena in magnetic nanostructures are of great interest in the field of spintronics, i.e. the study of “spin current” or flow of spins. One of the more intense research areas concerns the coupling of the magnetization and spin current leading to such phenomena as spin transfer torque [5,6], spin pumping [7], and spin motive force [8].

Comparing to the well-established coupling of mechanical rotations and magnetization, and that of magnetization and spin currents, the direct coupling of mechanical rotations and spin currents has not been demonstrated so far. Our purpose is to link the mechanical rotation with spin currents (Fig. 1).

We derived the fundamental Hamiltonian with a direct coupling of spin currents and mechanical rotations from the general relativistic Dirac equation [9]. The introduction of mechanical rotations involves extending our physical system from an inertial to noninertial frame. The dynamics of spin currents is closely related to the spin-orbit interaction (SOI), which results from taking the low energy limit of the Dirac equation. We obtained the SOI in a uniformly rotating frame:

$$H_{SOI} = \frac{e\lambda}{\hbar} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{p} + e\mathbf{A}) \times (\mathbf{E} + (\boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{r}) \times \mathbf{B})$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Omega}$ is rotation frequency, \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} are applied electric and magnetic fields, \mathbf{A} is a vector potential, $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ is the spin operator of electron and λ is the spin-orbit coupling. This new term responsible for the spin current generation arising from mechanical rotation.

To clarify physical meanings of the SOI, we investigate the semiclassical equation of motion for electron. Choosing $\mathbf{E}=0$, $\mathbf{B}=(0,0,B)$, and $\boldsymbol{\Omega}=(0,0,\Omega)$, we have the spin-dependent velocity of electron:

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 + \mathbf{v}_s, \quad \mathbf{v}_s = (e\lambda/\hbar) \boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \mathbf{B} \Omega \mathbf{r}.$$

The first term is conventional velocity of electron. The second term, \mathbf{v}_s is so-called anomalous velocity, i.e., the spin-dependent velocity. The z -polarized spin current J_s can be estimated by

$$J_s = neT\sigma_y v = (2ne\lambda B\Omega r/\hbar) e_s,$$

where n is the density of electron and e_s is the azimuthal unit vector. The magnitude of the spin current is linearly proportional to the angular velocity of the mechanical rotation, a magnetic field, and the spin-orbit coupling strength. The formula above reveals a mechanism for the quantum mechanical transfer of angular momentum between a rigid rotation and a spin current. The z -polarized spin current is created in the

azimuthal direction by the mechanical rotation (Fig. 2). In the case of $B=1$ T, $\Omega=1$ kHz, $r=10^{-4}$ m, $\lambda=0.6 \times 10^{20}$ m⁻² [10], the spin current becomes $J_s \sim 10^5$ A/m². This can be investigated using spin detection methods such as nonlocal spin valves [11], the inverse spin Hall effect [12] and the real-time imaging method [13].

It should be noted that starting from the general relativistic Dirac equation is essential when treating spintronic phenomena in accelerating frames. The present formalism [9] offers a route to “spin mechatronics”, viz., a strong coupling of mechanical motion with spin and charge transport in nanostructures. Our findings will be experimentally examined by R.G. for Mechanical control of materials and spin systems.

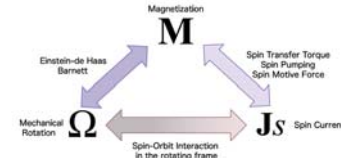


Fig. 1 Angular momentum transfers between interacting systems.

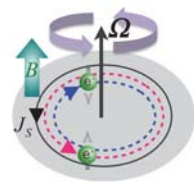


Fig. 2 Schematic illustration of electrons' trajectories under mechanical rotation Ω and a magnetic field \mathbf{B} . The circular spin current is generated in the uniformly rotating body.

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New type of asymmetric fission in proton-rich nucleus ¹⁸⁰Hg

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From the discovery of nuclear fission [1], extensive measurements have been done to understand this dramatic phenomenon in nucleus. An essential feature of the liquid-drop model [2] is that nucleus has a saddle point which is formed by the interplay between the attractive surface force and the repulsive Coulomb force. Fission proceeds when the excitation energy of a compound nucleus is higher than the saddle point. The classical model, however, cannot explain the important features of fission, such as mass asymmetric fission as observed in neutron-induced fission of ²³⁵U. This necessitates the microscopic model (effects associated with shell structure) in fission. The effects of the doubly closed shells at ¹³²Sn play a role in the rupture process in the last stage of fission in such a way that the fragment in the vicinity of ¹³²Sn is preferentially formed.

The fission of a proton-rich nucleus like ¹⁸⁰Hg is free from the shells of ¹³²Sn due to largely different proton to neutron ratio of $Z/N = 0.800$ (¹⁸⁰Hg) from 0.610 (¹³²Sn). Instead, the fission would be influenced by the semi-magic nucleus ⁹⁰Zr ($Z/N = 0.800$), and thus the symmetric fission would be expected when we simply apply the current understanding in fission.

A β^- -decay delayed fission (β DF) gives an opportunity to observe fission for such a proton-rich nucleus. The excited daughter nucleus is formed by the β^- decay with the maximum excitation energy corresponding to the Q value of the β^- decay, Q_β . The fission takes place when the fission barrier height B_f is lower or nearly equal to Q_β . The first observation of β DF in proton-rich nucleus ¹⁸⁰Tl was reported in [3] where the β DF fragment is recorded as a track on a plastic plate. Instead, by using silicon detectors we observed large amplitude of pulse signals from both β DF fragments of ¹⁸⁰Hg (daughter of ¹⁸⁰Tl) in coincidence. Furthermore, we registered K X-ray of Hg in coincidence with fission fragments. They give a definite evidence for β DF. Using the pulse height (energy) of each fragment, we determined the mass division in the fission of ¹⁸⁰Hg.

The experiment was carried out at the ISOLDE mass separator at CERN. The ¹⁸⁰Tl was produced by using a 1.4 GeV proton beam impinging on a stack of UC, targets. A laser ionization and mass separation are used to extract a pure ¹⁸⁰Tl ion beam. The ¹⁸⁰Tl⁺ ions with 30 keV were implanted onto a thin carbon foil to detect β DF fragments.

Totally 346 events of coincided fragments were registered. The results are shown in Fig. 1, where the number of events is plotted as functions of mass and total kinetic energy (TKE) [4]. The spectrum clearly shows an asymmetric mass distribution with the most probable masses of $A_H = 100(1)$ and $A_L = 80(1)$ for heavy and light fragments, respectively. By assuming the Z/N ratio of the fragments to be equal to ¹⁸⁰Hg, the most probable isotopes become ¹⁰⁰Ru and ⁸⁰Kr. The average TKE of both fragments is determined to be 134.6(7) MeV.

The observed asymmetric fission in ¹⁸⁰Hg apparently contradicts the expected feature in fission built from the actinide fissions. The shells of fragments (⁹⁰Zr) do not play a role.

To understand this feature, we calculated a potential energy surface of ¹⁸⁰Hg as shown in Fig. 2 using a macroscopic-microscopic model where the effects of the shells are taken into account. It is found that the saddle point is located at the mass asymmetry of $A_H/A_L = 108/72$ with a fission barrier height $B_f = 9.8$ MeV. Considering $Q_\beta = 10.4$ MeV [5], fission proceeds only through the asymmetric saddle point. The result also shows a deep symmetric valley on the elongated nuclear shape, which linked to the shells of ⁹⁰Zr. The experiment reveals that the mass asymmetry in the fission of ¹⁸⁰Hg is fixed at the saddle point, and rearrangement of mass asymmetry does not occur in descending from the saddle to scission.

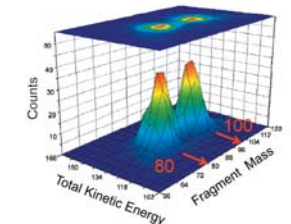


Fig. 1 Number of fission events plotted as functions of mass and total kinetic energy.

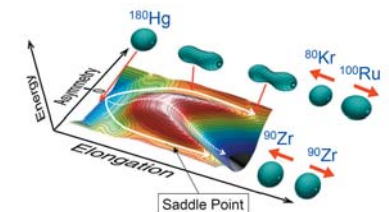


Fig. 2 Potential energy surface of ¹⁸⁰Hg. Saddle point is indicated.

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Hidden-order state in URu₂Si₂: High-quality single crystal and novel techniques

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URu₂Si₂ is one of the heavy fermion compounds where the effective mass of the conduction electron is large compared to that of ordinary metals. This compound has been particularly investigated because of its remarkable features. One is the occurrence of superconductivity below 1.4 K where the ‘heavy electrons’ form Cooper pairs. Another one is a phase transition occurring at higher temperature 17.5 K. Early researches suggested this is due to a magnetic phase transition, because the 5f electrons carries magnetic moments and it is natural to assume that they order below the transition temperature. However, any efforts to detect the signature of the magnetic ordering have failed since its discovery in 1985 [1]. Other possibilities such as the ordering of multipolar moments of 5f electron were investigated but no clear evidence was found. The nature of the ‘hidden-order’ state is now one of the important subjects in condensed-matter physics.

To tackle this problem we carefully prepared a high quality single crystal of URu₂Si₂ to eliminate impurity effects which become significant at low-temperatures. Using the Czochralski pulling method and subsequent solid-state electrotransport annealing under ultra high vacuum [2], we succeeded to prepare an extremely pure single crystal. The purity of the metallic compound is measured by the residual resistivity ratio (RRR) where the residual resistivity at very low temperature reflects impurity concentration. Our sample shows RRR ~1000, much larger than the samples prepared by other researchers. Figure 1 shows the temperature dependence of electrical resistivity of URu₂Si₂ clearly showing the hidden-order transition at $T_0 = 17.5$ K and superconducting one at 1.4 K. Among the 5 samples, No. 1 shows the lowest residual resistivity. This single crystal was investigated further using two experimental techniques, high energy-resolution photoemission spectroscopy [3] and torque magnetometry using a micro cantilever [4].

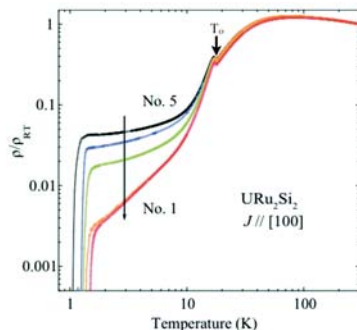


Fig. 1 Temperature dependence of electrical resistivity in URu₂Si₂.

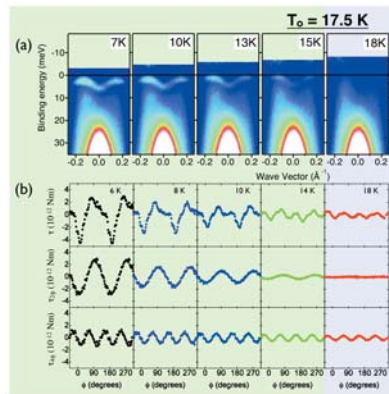


Fig. 2 (a) Photoemission spectra [3] and (b) magnetic torque [4] of URu₂Si₂ as a function of temperature.

The results are summarized in Fig. 2. Fig. 2(a) shows the intensity mapping of the photoelectron as functions of the binding energy and wave vector. At 18 K the spectrum consists of a strong intensity around 30 meV (originating from the surface effect) and hole band cutting the Fermi energy ($E = 0$ meV). On cooling below the transition temperature 17.5 K, a new feature appears around 2-5 meV. The intensity of the narrow band increases with decreasing temperature. Fig. 2(b) is the result of the magnetic torque measurements. The upper panels show the total magnetic anisotropy as a function of magnetic field angle within the tetragonal basal plane, while the middle and bottom panels correspond to the decomposed two-fold and four-fold components, respectively. Because of the tetragonal structure of URu₂Si₂, the magnetic anisotropy should follow the tetragonal (four-fold) rotational symmetry. Above 17.5 K, in fact, the magnetic torque can be expressed by a four-fold oscillation. However in the hidden-order state, a two-fold component, which breaks the crystal symmetry, appears.

These observations clearly demonstrate the emergence of a new electronic state in the hidden-order state and provide new insights for the exotic phase transition observed in highly correlated electron systems.

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A specific Ce anomaly during sorption of rare earth elements on biogenic Mn oxide produced by *Acremonium* sp. strain KR21-2

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Microbial oxidation of Mn(II) occurs at rates of up to 5 orders of magnitude greater than abiotic Mn(II) oxidation [1]. Mn(II)-oxidizing microorganisms are thought to play an important role in the formation of Mn oxides in most natural environments [2]. It is well known that oxidation of Ce(III) by synthetic Mn oxide causes Ce sorption anomaly in rare earth element (REE) partitioning pattern [3]. However, the sorption behavior of REE and Ce oxidation process by biogenic Mn oxide have not been clarified. In the present study, we examined the relevance of microorganisms to the Ce(III) oxidation process by biogenic Mn using *Acremonium* sp. strain KR21-2 [4]. To accomplish this, we made sorption experiments of REEs between biogenic Mn oxides and aqueous solution.

We used *Acremonium* sp. strain KR21-2 as a model of Mn-oxidizing fungi, as described above. The hyphae and biogenic Mn oxide were put into 100 mL of 10 mmol/L NaCl solution which contains 100 ng/mL REE each. The initial pH was then adjusted with NaOH and HCl solutions. Sample solutions after 25 h were collected by filtration with a 0.2 μ m filter. REE concentrations in the solutions were determined with ICP-MS. We characterized REE species in the solutions using size exclusion column (SEC) HPLC-ICP-MS. Cerium L_{III}-edge X-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) spectra were recorded at beamline 12C at the Photon Factory, KEK (Tsukuba, Japan), to determine the oxidation state of Ce sorbed on biogenic Mn oxide.

The distribution coefficient of REE, $K_d(\text{REE})$, between solid and solution is defined as the following equation: $K_d(\text{REE}) = ([\text{REE}]_{\text{solid}} - [\text{REE}]_{\text{aq}})/c[\text{REE}]_{\text{aq}}$, where the term c (g/mL) is the ratio of solid to solution. The $K_d(\text{REE})$ patterns for the mixture of hyphae and biogenic Mn oxide (called biogenic Mn oxide hereinafter) at pH 3.83 showed a positive Ce anomaly, suggesting Ce(III) oxidation on biogenic Mn oxide (Fig. 1). Such large positive Ce anomaly was also reported in sorption of REE on abiotically synthesized Mn oxide [3]. The polarity of

Ce anomaly shifted from positive to negative with increasing pH, and negative Ce anomaly was observed at pH 6.64 (Fig. 1), indicating Ce was preferentially remained in solution phase.

Cerium L_{III}-edge XANES spectra were shown in Fig. 2. The trivalent Ce reference species of Ce₂(CO₃)₃·8H₂O and the Ce(III) aqueous solution show a single white line peak at 5726 eV. In contrast, two distinct peaks were observed for the Ce(IV) compound of Ce(SO₄)₂·nH₂O around 5729 and 5737 eV. The XANES spectra of the Ce sorbed biogenic Mn oxide samples at pH 3.83, 6.16 and 6.64 show double white line peaks 5726 and 5737 eV. In particular, the second peak around 5737 eV common to the Ce(IV) references clearly indicates that Ce(III) was oxidized to Ce(IV) by the biogenic Mn oxide samples.

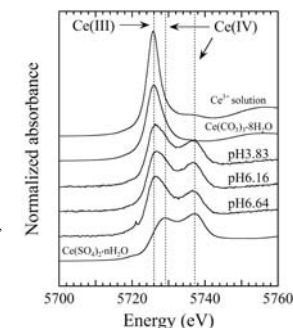


Fig. 2 Ce L_{III}-edge XANES spectra.

In the present study the positive Ce anomaly for the biogenic Mn oxide was observed at pH 3.83, and decreased with increasing pH (Fig. 1). Furthermore, negative Ce anomaly was observed at pH 6.64. The trend observed for our data is quite opposite to that observed for the previous studies using abiotically synthesized Mn oxide, where the degree of positive Ce anomaly increased with increasing pH [3]. The negative Ce anomaly indicates that a larger fraction of Ce was present in solution phase (i.e. < 0.2 μ m fraction) than that of La and Pr (Fig. 1). SEC-HPLC-ICP-MS analysis demonstrated that the specific organic molecules had preferentially complexed with Ce(IV) in solution phase. A line of our data indicates that the negative Ce anomaly at pH 6.64 arose from Ce(III) oxidation on the biogenic Mn oxide and subsequent complexation of Ce(IV) with organic ligands released from fungal cells.

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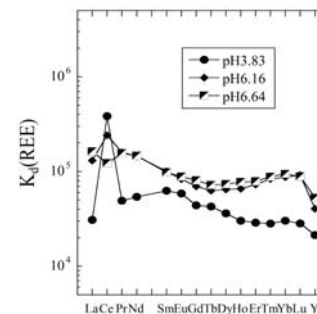


Fig. 1 $K_d(\text{REE})$ patterns at different pHs.

Detection of excess electron spins in magnetic substances using highly spin-polarized positrons

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We are currently developing a new utilization of the positron annihilation spectroscopy (PAS) in order to investigate magnetic materials and spin-related devices.

Generally, PAS technique is a powerful tool to detect atomic vacancies in crystalline solids. Positron annihilation lifetime and the Doppler effect on annihilation radiation energy spectrum are the observables in PAS measurement. The former is inversely proportional to electron density where positrons annihilate. The latter reflects electron momentum distribution. Very recently, we have successfully demonstrated a new feasibility of PAS using our built beam source of highly spin-polarized positron. Electron-positron annihilation characteristics depend on the spin state. A spin-singlet ($S=0$) electron-positron pair tends to self-annihilate (two-photon annihilation). The self-annihilation (three-photon annihilation) probability of a spin-triplet ($S=1$) electron-positron pair is much smaller than the pick-off annihilation probability with surrounding electrons. The above spin-dependent positron annihilation can be observed using spin-polarized positrons. That is, polarized electrons can be detected using spin-polarized positrons. This is the principle of spin-polarized positron annihilation spectroscopy (SP-PAS) [1].

Until now, the chief difficulty in SP-PAS is to obtain highly spin-polarized positrons. In this study, we have cleared up this difficulty to use a $^{68}\text{Ge-}^{68}\text{Ga}$ positron source that yields much highly spin-polarized positrons than the conventional ^{22}Na source [2]. To examine the feasibility of SP-PAS to apply any magnetic materials for the spin-electronic devices, we have performed the SP-PAS measurements of high quality for the simple ferromagnets (Fe, Co, Ni, and Gd). Figure 1 shows the differential Doppler broadening of annihilation radiation (DBAR) spectra between positive and negative magnetic field with respect to positron spin direction obtained for polycrystalline Fe, Co, Ni and Gd. The residuals are not zero. This is called field-reversal asymmetry.

Roughly speaking, the field-reversal asymmetry appears due to enhanced annihilation between spin-up positrons and spin-down $3d$, $4s$ (Fe, Co, Ni) and $4f$, $5d$, $6s$ (Gd) unpaired electrons. The field-reversal asymmetry of the Fe sample is the strongest, while it is slightly weaker for the Co sample, and only a small effect is observed for the Ni and Gd samples. Actually, the experimental results are well-reproduced by the first principles calculation considering polarization of electrons and positrons as shown by the solid lines.

The relative amplitude of the differential DBAR spectra of the Fe, Co and Ni samples seems to coincide with the trend of effective magnetization of these metals. If the area intensity of the Fe sample is normalized to 2.2, those of Co and samples are 1.8 and 0.4. These are comparable to the effective magnetizations of these materials. This result indicates that the magnetization of a magnetic substance can be estimated from the field reversal asymmetry of DBAR spectrum using a reference sample with known magnetization. Considering the fact that the electron polarization of Fe is at most about 40 %

near the Fermi level, the determination of electron polarizations of half-metals by the present method is feasible.

In SP-PAS experiment, polarized electrons are directly detected through annihilation with polarized positrons. This is an important feature for the investigation of polarized electron states. The further advantage of SP-PAS is the depth selectivity by employing monochromatic positron beams. Some important magnetic effects, such as giant magnetoresistance and tunneling magnetoresistance, occur near the interface between magnetic and non-magnetic layers. Spin-injection electrodes, which will be used in spin devices, are normally thin films. Novel spin phenomena such as the spin Hall effect and the giant Rashba effect occur near surfaces. These are potential applications of SP-PAS. Taking advantage that PAS is a powerful tool to detect vacancy defects, SP-PAS might be used in studying vacancy-induced magnetism.

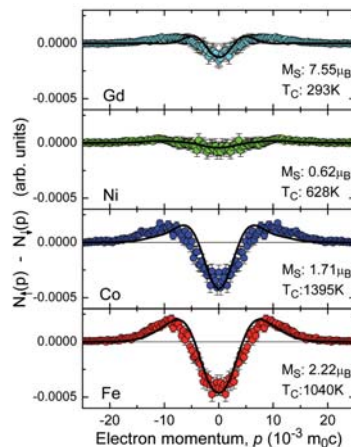


Fig. 1 Differential DBAR spectra of the Fe, Co, Ni and Gd samples obtained in the external magnetic field of 1 T at room temperature. These spectra are folded at $p = 0$ to enhance the statistics. Solid lines denote calculated differential DBAR spectra. The amplitudes are adjusted to levels comparable with the experiments.

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REIMEI Research Project: New approach to the exotic phases of actinide compounds under unconventional experimental conditions

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We have proposed development of measurements for actinides compounds under unconventional conditions i.e. highly radioactive (transuranium, ^{235}U -enriched) materials, high magnetic field, high pressures on international collaborations of several institutes which have their own special techniques, in order to discover and clarify the exotic electronic properties in $5f$ -electron systems, which appear only under extreme conditions due to large energy scales (Fermi energy, Kondo temperature), compared with $4f$ -systems. A special emphasis is put to combine *in-situ* bulk measurements with scattering methods to gain microscopic insight into the various phases in such systems. Because of the difficulty for international transport of actinides samples, researchers and techniques has been encouraged to travel and collaborate to develop and perform the investigations. We describe below some of the collaborations that have been established in the first year of operating the REIMEI project which continues in 2011-2012. 1) High magnetic field NMR using ^{29}Si -enriched URu_2Si_2 in NHMFL, USA Collaboration between JAEA, LANL and NHMFL underway at NHMFL. 2) Energy scale of the electron-boson spectral function and superconductivity in NpPd_2Al_2 . Collaboration between ITU and JAEA. Experiments at JAEA with theory at ITU and University of Turin [1]. 3) Search for quadrupolar ordering in the hidden ordered phase of URu_2Si_2 . Collaboration between ITU and CEA with experiments at ESRF [2]. 4) Resonant X-ray emission spectroscopy at the L_2 edge of americium up to 23 GPa [3]. Collaboration between ITU and ESRF, with experiments at ESRF. 5) Understanding the complex phase diagram of uranium: the role of electron-phonon coupling. Collaboration between CEA, ITU, and LANL. Experiments at ESRF with theory at CEA. In addition, the first International ASRC Workshop has been held on this subject in Tokai, 16-18 Feb 2011 (photo on the cover page). The topics 1) and 2) are selected to be described in detail below.

High magnetic field NMR using ^{29}Si -enriched URu_2Si_2 in NHMFL

Several single crystals of URu_2Si_2 enriched to 99.8 at. % by ^{29}Si isotope were shipped from LANL to NHMFL. In this first NMR measurement by JAEA and NHMFL NMR groups, we have characterized the sample quality. The line width of ^{29}Si - NMR at 6.7 T is around 10 kHz for $H//a$, which is quite narrow indicating a good homogeneity of sample. In fact, this line width value is consistent with the previously reported line width in non-enriched sample if we consider some additional line broadening due to the dipolar contribution from ^{29}Si nuclei. In addition, T -dependence of nuclear spin-lattice time has been found to be same as the previously reported value in a high quality non-enriched sample. The ^{29}Si -enrichment can reduce the magnet time very efficiently. For the next measurement in the higher field, we will concentrate to measure the temperature dependence of NMR spectrum under the several higher fields up to 29 T, in order to identify the phase transition around 22 T, which would be accompanied with a change of Fermi-surface.

The energy scale Ω_0 of the electron-boson spectral function in the heavy-fermion, d -wave superconductor NpPd_2Al_2

This has been predicted on the basis of Eliashberg theory calculations (Fig.1). Assuming a spectral function shape typical for antiferromagnetic spin fluctuations, and imposing constraints provided by the experimental values for the critical temperature and the low-temperature energy gap, one obtains values of Ω_0 of about 2-2.5 meV, slightly dependent on the strength of the Coulomb pseudopotential. These values are in excellent agreement with the characteristic magnetic fluctuations energy estimated from NMR measurements of the nuclear spin-lattice relaxation time at the Al site. The calculated temperature dependence of the upper critical field, the local spin susceptibility, and the nuclear spin-lattice relaxation rate is also in good agreement with available experimental data, showing that a coherent description of the superconducting state can be obtained assuming that the electron pairing in NpPd_2Al_2 is mediated by antiferromagnetic fluctuations [1]. Inelastic neutron scattering experiments are planned to confirm the proposed scenario.

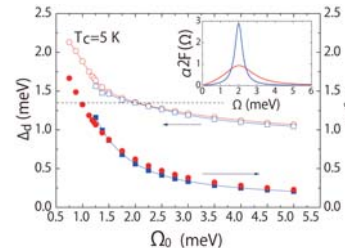


Fig. 1 Gap values Δ_0 calculated at $T = 0.25$ K assuming a Coulomb pseudopotential $\mu_0^* = 0$, and an Eliashberg spectral function centered at an energy Ω_0 and having full width at half maximum of 1 meV (red, open circles) or 0.25 meV (blue, open squares). The horizontal dashed line represents the experimental value of μ_0^* . (Right axis) Electron boson coupling constant λ_s as a function of Ω_0 , for $T_c = 5$ K, $\mu_0^* = 0$, and FWHM of 1 meV (red, closed circles) or 0.25 meV (blue, closed squares). The inset shows the electron-boson spectral function in the two cases.

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Research Group for Condensed Matter Theory

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Electric power generation and storage are indispensable for our lives. Although the nuclear power plant produces a huge amount of energy, the most part is dissipated away by the heat flow. To enhance its efficiency, the thermoelectric material is one of plausible candidates. We study such functional materials emerging from the electrons internal degrees of freedom (spin, charge and orbital) by combining various numerical methods and quantum field theory. Our results on spin Seebeck effect and giant spin-Hall effect must play a role to develop new thermoelectric material and device.

Theory of spin Seebeck effect in ferromagnetic insulators

Electric power generation by a temperature gradient (Seebeck effect) is one of important issues in condensed matter physics, since such a thermoelectric device possesses several appealing features necessary for future technologies. However, most of thermoelectric devices adopt conductors, and thereby its low efficiency due to the energy loss by conduction electrons scattering prevents the thermoelectric devices from practical applications.

Using a prototypical magnet ($\text{LaY}_2\text{Fe}_5\text{O}_{12}$), Saitoh and co-workers experimentally established a new principle that spin-current generation by a temperature gradient, so-called spin Seebeck effect, occurs in an insulating magnet even in the absence of conduction electrons [1] (See Fig.1). They established another principle that a spin current flowing in a magnetic insulator can be converted into the electricity [2]. By these two principles, the insulator-based thermoelectric devices can be realized. Electric voltage generation from heat flow in an insulator is a new principle of thermoelectric device, and has never been considered so far.

We investigate a gigantic enhancement of the spin Seebeck effect in a prototypical magnet $\text{LaY}_2\text{Fe}_5\text{O}_{12}$ at low temperatures [3]. Our theoretical analysis sheds light on the important role of phonons; the spin Seebeck effect is enormously enhanced by nonequilibrium phonons that drag the low-lying spin excitations. We further argue that this scenario gives a clue to understand the observation of the spin Seebeck effect that is unaccompanied by a global spin current, and predict that the substrate condition affects the observed signal.

In addition, we formulate a linear response theory of the spin Seebeck effect [4]. Our approach focuses on the collective magnetic excitation of spins, i.e., magnons. We show that the linear-response formulation provides us with a qualitative as well as quantitative understanding of the spin Seebeck effect observed in the magnetic insulator.

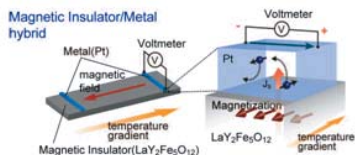


Fig. 1 Spin Seebeck effect in the magnetic insulator ($\text{LaY}_2\text{Fe}_5\text{O}_{12}$).

Research Group for Molecular Spintronics

Group Leader: Seiji Sakai

Spintronics is an emerging technology taking advantage of the dual freedom of both charge and spin degrees. Since the discovery of the giant magnetoresistance effect in 1988, spintronics has been developed based on inorganic substances like metals and semiconductors. Recent studies have started to shed light on the spintronic application of organic molecules (OMs) and nanocarbons (NCs), in which the spins of conduction electrons can be preserved for a long time and distance. We call this new field "Molecular spintronics". In molecular spintronics, the efficient control of the spin transport process (e.g., spin-injection, modulation, detection and accumulation) in OMs and NCs by using magnetic heterostructures is of special importance to realize spintronic applications taking advantages of the potential for spin transport media. Our group aims at establishing the advantages of OMs and NCs as innovative spintronic materials by developing novel systems for spin operations based on the hybrid structures of OMs/NCs and magnetic transition metals and by employing advanced spectroscopic techniques on the electronic and spin structures in such systems.

Finding of difference in interactions with ferromagnetic metals between single-layer and multilayer graphene

Understanding chemical interactions and electronic structures at the graphene/magnetic metal interfaces is of special importance in designing spin operation sources for graphene-based spintronic devices. The influence of the interface formation with ferromagnetic metals on the vibrational properties of graphene was investigated by using confocal micro-Raman spectroscopy [1,2]. Micro-Raman measurements on the micrometer-scale patterned graphene/ferromagnetic metal heterostructures [Fig. 1(a)], which are consisting of patterned regions of the graphenes with various layers number covered with and without metals on the same graphene sheet, enables us to examine the interactions at the graphene/ferromagnetic metal interface as a function of the graphene layers number. From the dependences of the peaks shifts of the Raman bands (e.g., the G band) on the graphene layers number [Fig. 1(b)], it is revealed that the interfacial interactions with ferromagnetic metal are dramatically different between single-layer graphene (SLG) and multilayer graphene (MLG): In the MLG/ferromagnetic metal heterostructures, the Raman bands show a gradual shift in the peak position depending on the layers number, which are reasonably attributed to electron doping from the ferromagnetic metal to a few graphene layers from the interfaces. Meanwhile, the SLG/ferromagnetic metal heterostructures show a different band-shift feature as in Fig.1, suggesting that there exist strong covalent interactions between SLG and the ferromagnetic metal. The present study would provide important information for improving the performance (e.g., the spin-injection efficiency and interfacial resistance) of graphene-based spintronic devices.

Elucidation of very high spin polarization at fullerene-transition metal compound/ferromagnetic metal interface

The tunneling magnetoresistance (TMR) effect of granular fullerene-cobalt ($\text{C}_{60}\text{-Co}$) films [3-5] was studied in the current-perpendicular-to-plane geometry to elucidate the spin-dependent tunneling process bringing about a remarkably high

magnetoresistance as compared to the expectations from the conventional theory. The occurrence of cooperative tunneling (so-called cotunneling) through a few to several Co nanoparticles is confirmed from the current-voltage characteristics in the Coulomb blockade regime. Analysis based on the cotunneling model considering the magnitudes of the zero-bias magnetoresistance ratios ($\Delta R/R_{\text{max}} = 90\%$ at low temperatures) reveals that the spin polarization (P) of tunneling electrons generated at the $\text{C}_{60}\text{-Co}$ compound/Co interface is remarkably high ($P = 80\%$) compared to that in Co crystal ($P = 37\%$). The present study suggests that the spin polarization of conduction electrons can be tuned with a proper design of the OM/NC-transition metal hybrid structures, unlimited by the spin polarization in ferromagnetic metals and also overcoming the problems of interfacial degradation.

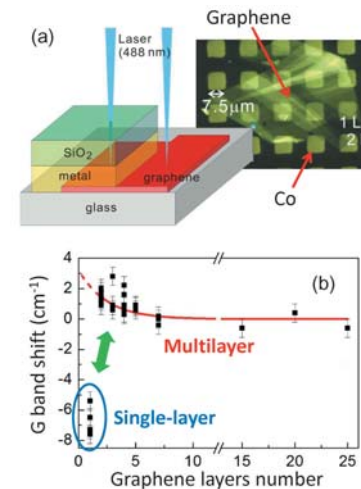


Fig. 1 (a) Schematic drawing and optical image of the micro-patterned graphene/Co sample with the $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Co}/\text{graphene}/\text{glass}$ layer structure in the bright areas. The graphene sheet contains more than ten regions with various layers numbers (L) (e.g., 1L, 2L), as can be seen from the color. (b) Graphene layers number dependence of the G band shift induced by the heterostructure formation with Co.

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Giant spin Hall effect (SHE) of Au films with Pt impurities

The SHE indispensable for the spin-electronics and the spin Seebeck effect is induced by the spin-orbit interaction (SOI). We study the SOI of an Fe impurity in Au host metal by quantum Monte Carlo (QMC) simulation of a realistic multi-orbital Anderson impurity model [5]. We show that the SOI is strongly renormalized by the quantum spin fluctuation. Based on this mechanism, we can explain why the gigantic SHE in Au with Fe impurities was observed in recent experiments, while it is not visible in the anomalous Hall effect. In addition, we show that the SOI is strongly renormalized by the Coulomb correlation U . Based on this picture, we can explain past discrepancies in the calculated orbital angular momenta for an Fe impurity in an Au host.

In addition, we show theoretically a novel route to obtain giant room temperature SHE using surface-assisted skew scattering [6,7]. By a combined approach of density functional theory and the QMC method, we have studied the SHE due to a Pt impurity in different Au hosts. We show that the spin Hall angle could become larger than 0.1 on the Au (111) surface, and decreases by about a half on the Au (001) surface, while it is small in bulk Au. The QMC results show that the SOI of the Pt impurity on the Au (001) and Au (111) surfaces is enhanced, because the Pt 5d levels are lifted to the Fermi level due to the valence fluctuations. In addition, there are two SOI channels on the Au (111) surface, while only one for Pt either on the Au (001) surface or in bulk Au.

Enhanced pairing correlations near oxygen dopants in cuprate superconductor

Recent experiments on Bi-based cuprate superconductors have revealed an unexpected enhancement of the pairing correlations near the interstitial oxygen dopant ions. In this study, we propose a possible mechanism -- based on local screening effects -- by which the oxygen dopants do modify the electronic parameters within the CuO_2 planes and strongly increase the superexchange coupling J [8]. This enhances the spin pairing effects locally and may explain the observed spatial variations of the density of states and the pairing gap. The effect is of an entirely dynamical nature and thus goes beyond the band structure calculations. Apart from the STM experiments, there is an interesting possibility to test our theory by the resonant inelastic x-ray scattering; it monitors the high-energy spin excitations, and a broad distribution of J values predicted here can be directly observed.

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Research Group for Mechanical Control of Materials and Spin Systems

Group Leader: Eiji Saitoh

The research objectives of Spin Manipulation and Material Design Research Group are to develop new methods for controlling spin currents by combining electron spins and mechanical rotation, and/or by coupling spins and NMR techniques;

- 1) Magnetization manipulation in terms of mechanical rotation.
 - 2) Detection of a spin current generated from rotating objects using the spin-Hall and spin torque effect.
 - 3) Detection of the coupling between nuclear spin and electron spin dynamics and/or current.
- Utilizing the combination between spin and mechanical rotation will help us realize an actuator driven by a spin current in a nano scale and mechanical generator of spin currents.

Construction of experimental setups for spin manipulation by high-speed rotation and NMR technique

To control the spin current with the new methods, we newly constructed two experimental setups, one was a high-speed rotator, and the other was a NMR spectrometer. Figure 1 shows a schematic diagram and the constructed apparatus for magnetization manipulation experiments by high-speed rotation.

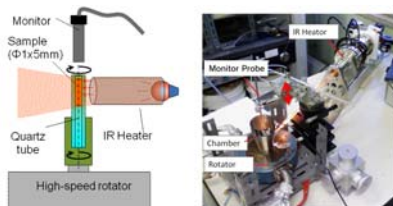


Fig. 1 A schematic diagram and the constructed experimental setup for magnetization manipulation experiments by high-speed rotation.

Spin pumping efficiency of half metallic Co₂MnSi

In the field of spintronics, the methods of generating a pure spin current are important techniques to drive devices such as spin-based magnetic memories and computing devices. Spin pumping is a recently developed technique to generate a pure spin current. Efficiency of the spin pumping is determined by a spin mixing conductance, that depends on a difference in the population between up and down spins. Thus half metallic compounds, which have perfectly spin-polarized conduction electrons because of a semi-conducting gap in either the up- and down-spin channel at the Fermi level, are expected to show a high efficiency of the spin pumping. We evaluated the efficiency of the spin pumping from a half-metallic Heusler alloy Co₂MnSi film using a ferromagnetic resonance (FMR) technique.

The sample is a Co₂MnSi/Pt bilayer film comprising a 20-nm-thick ferromagnet Co₂MnSi and a 7-nm-thick paramagnet Pt layer as illustrated in Fig. 2. The (100)-oriented epitaxial Co₂MnSi was grown on a MgO(100) substrate with the 0.5-nm thickness by a ultra high vacuum (UHV) sputtering system at

ambient temperature, then annealed at 723 K to improve crystal quality and chemical ordering. The sample system is mounted on the center of a TE₀₁₁ microwave cavity, where the magnetic field component of the microwave mode h_1 is maximized. The frequency of microwave is 9.44 GHz.

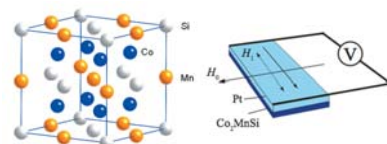


Fig. 2 A crystal structure of Co₂MnSi and a schematic illustration of the sample.

The upper panel of Fig. 3 shows the field swept FMR spectrum $dI(H)/dH$ and the lower one shows the field dependence of the potential difference between electrodes on the Pt film, respectively. At the center of resonance, a spin current generated by FMR in the Co₂MnSi layer is injected into the Pt layer. The pure spin current injected into the Pt layer from the Co₂MnSi layer is detected by the inverse spin-Hall effect (ISHE), which converts the spin current into an electric current. We estimated a damping constant of the Co₂MnSi/Pt bilayer film from an angular dependence of FMR spectra. Analyzing the damping constant efficiency of the spin pumping from the Co₂MnSi layer is evaluated. We found that a mixing conductance at the Co₂MnSi/Pt interface is comparable to that at a permalloy/Pt interface.

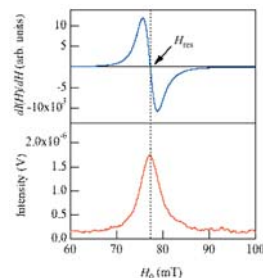


Fig. 3 The upper panel shows field dependence of the FMR signal $dI = dH$ for a Co₂MnSi/Pt bilayer film, where I denotes the microwave absorption intensity, and the lower shows field dependence of the potential difference between electrodes on the Pt film. The dotted line in the panel represent the resonant field of 772.6 Oe.

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Research Group for Reactions Involving Heavy Nuclei

Group Leader: Satoshi Chiba

The objectives of Research Group for Reactions Involving Heavy Nuclei are to develop experimental and theoretical methods to realize and validate the surrogate reaction technique to determine neutron-induced reaction cross sections of unstable nuclei such as minor actinides and branch-point nuclei of s-process nucleosynthesis. We specialize to surrogate reactions using heavy projectiles. Experimental apparatus to measure fission and capture cross sections were developed and installed at Tandem accelerator facility as shown in Fig. 1. At the same time, basic researches in related areas, especially, shell structure and reaction characteristics of (heavy, fissionable) nuclei are also in our important scope. These results are published as a number of papers. Highlights of our activities during FY 2010 are summarized below.

Nuclear orientation in the reaction $^{34}\text{S}+^{238}\text{U}$ and synthesis of the new isotope ^{268}Hs

The synthesis of isotopes of the element hassium was studied using the reaction $^{34}\text{S}+^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow ^{272}\text{Hs}^* + [1]$. At a kinetic energy of 152.0 MeV in the center-of-mass system one decay of the new isotope ^{268}Hs was observed. It decays with a half-life of $0.38_{-0.17}^{+0.13}$ s by 9479 ± 16 keV α -particle emission. Spontaneous fission of the daughter nucleus ^{264}Sg was confirmed. The measured cross section was $0.54_{-0.3}^{+0.3}$ pb. The fission-fragment mass distributions changed from symmetry to asymmetry when the beam energy was changed from above-barrier to sub-barrier values, indicating orientation effects on fusion and/or quasifission. It was found that the distribution of symmetric mass fragments originates not only from fusion-fission, but has a strong component from quasifission. The result was supported by a calculation based on a dynamical description using the Langevin equation, in which the mass distributions for fusion-fission and quasifission fragments were separately determined.

In-beam γ -ray spectroscopy of $^{248,250,252}\text{Cf}$ by neutron-transfer reactions using a Cf target

The ground-state bands of ^{248}Cf , ^{250}Cf and ^{252}Cf have been established up to the 10^+ , 12^+ , and 10^+ states, respectively, by in-beam γ -ray spectroscopy using neutron-transfer reactions with a 153-MeV ^{16}O beam and a highly radioactive Cf target [2]. The deexcitation γ rays in ^{248}Cf , ^{250}Cf and ^{252}Cf were identified by taking coincidences with outgoing particles of $^{16-19}\text{O}$ measured with Si ΔE -E detectors, and by selecting their kinetic energies. Moments of inertia of ^{248}Cf , ^{250}Cf and ^{252}Cf were discussed in terms of the $N = 152$ deformed shell gap.

Theoretical investigation of the surrogate reaction method

Results of the surrogate reactions depend sensitively on the difference of populated spin distribution from that of desired neutron-induced reactions. The spin distribution, in turn, reflects reaction mechanisms and underlying nuclear structure. We therefore try to find a universal condition that surrogate reactions would yield the desired neutron cross sections. For this aim we discussed the surrogate ratio method, and it was found that we need not know the spin-parity distributions populated by surrogate reaction, if (1) there exist two surrogate reactions whose spin-parity distributions of decaying nuclei are almost equivalent, and (2) difference of representative spin

values between the neutron-induced and surrogate reactions is not much larger than $10h$, and (3) J^{π} -by- J^{π} convergence of the decay branching ratio is achieved (which can be verified by a statistical model) [3]. Successive theoretical works followed to confirm this conclusion. Experimental equipments were designed according to the above considerations.

To understand the reaction mechanism and verify the above conditions for the surrogate ratio method to work, we established a theoretical model which is based on the unified model. We performed a trajectory calculation on the time-dependent unified potential energy surface using the Langevin equation. Using the model, we calculated the spin of the compound nucleus in surrogate reactions $^{236,238}\text{U}(^{18}\text{O}, ^{16}\text{O})^{258,260}\text{U}$. The results show the spin of compound nucleus is less than $10h$ (namely, condition (2) is satisfied). We also calculated the spin distributions of decaying nuclei by these two reactions, and found that they were indeed equivalent (condition (1) is satisfied). The present results suggested the validity of the surrogate ratio method.

In approaching the surrogate reaction from the viewpoint of full quantum mechanics, nuclear-structure information on the projectile and target nuclei is strongly desired. We thus calculated the structure of oxygen isotopes with the shell model in the full p - sd valence space [4] because ^{18}O beam is used in our surrogate reactions. Since in previous microscopic calculations some low-lying states, known as multiparticle-multipole states excited across the $N = Z = 8$ shell gap, were too high compared with experimental data, we focused on the mechanism that lowers these states. It turned out that due to large correlation energy in ^{16}O the $N = Z = 8$ shell gap must be strongly reduced from the standard value which is based on the assumption of a closed shell for ^{16}O . This reduction plays a key role in accounting for the lowering of the multiparticle-multipole states.

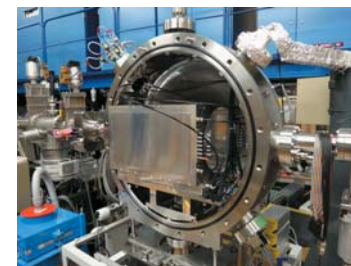


Fig. 1 Vacuum chamber and MWPC (multi-wire proportional counter) installed at Tandem accelerator facility in Tokai.

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Research Group for Superheavy Elements

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The research objectives of this group are to understand chemical and nuclear properties of superheavy elements (SHEs) placed at the uppermost end of the Periodic Table and on the heaviest frontier of the nuclear chart. To clarify chemical properties of SHEs, we investigate valence electronic structures of SHEs through experimental determinations of ionic radii, redox potentials, ionization potentials, and formation of chemical compounds of SHEs. To elucidate limits of stability of the heaviest nuclei, we investigate the shell structure of superheavy nuclei through experimental assignments of proton and neutron single-particle orbitals and through the evolution of nuclear deformation at the highest proton and neutron numbers. Research topics in this fiscal year are summarized below.

Chemical properties of element 104, rutherfordium (Rf), in HCl solution: extraction chromatography using TOPO

From a simple extension of the Periodic Table of the Elements, element 104, Rf, should be a transition element and belong into group 4. Although chemical properties of Rf are expected to be similar to those of lighter homologues Zr and Hf, some significant differences are found in HCl and HF solutions [1–3], which provides valuable information on the valence electronic structure of Rf. In the present work, the extraction behavior of Rf onto a styrenedivinylbenzene copolymer resin modified by trioctylphosphine oxide (TOPO) from 2.0–7.0 M HCl solutions was investigated together with Zr and Hf [4]. TOPO has a chemical structure similar to that of tributylphosphate (TBP) and has a higher basicity value as a donor than that of TBP. The effect of the basicity of organophosphorus compounds on the strength of the formation of a Rf complex was examined by comparing the extraction sequence of the group-4 elements into TOPO with that into TBP [2]. The extraction yields of Rf, Zr, and Hf increased with an increase of HCl concentration, and the sequence of their extraction was $Zr > Hf \geq Rf$ as shown in Fig. 1. The result indicates that the stability of the $RfCl_2 \cdot 2(TOPO)$ complex is lower than that of the corresponding species of Zr and Hf. A basicity effect in the formation of TOPO and TBP complexes was not observed in the extraction sequence among Rf, Zr, and Hf in HCl solution.

First detailed spectroscopy for short-lived heavy actinide nuclei: the α decay of ^{255}No

Excited states in ^{251}Fm populated via the α decay of ^{255}No were studied in detail through α - γ coincidence and α fine-structure measurements [5]. Spin-parities and neutron single-particle configurations of the excited states in ^{251}Fm as well as the ground state of ^{255}No were unambiguously identified on the basis of deduced internal conversion coefficients, lifetimes of γ transitions, rotational-band energies built on one-quasiparticle states, and hindrance factors of α transitions. In particular, the α fine-structure spectrum (shown in Fig. 2) enabled us to firmly establish neutron one-quasiparticle states in ^{251}Fm and their rotational-band structures. Figure 3 shows excitation energies of neutron one-quasiparticle states in $N = 151$ isotones. It was found that the energy of the $1/2^+ [620]$ state in the $N = 151$ isotones increases with the atomic number, especially at $Z \geq 100$ (^{251}Fm). This indicates that the $N = 152$ deformed shell gap size

becomes larger as the atomic number increases. We calculated ground-state deformations and energies of one-quasiparticle states in the $N = 151$ isotones using a macroscopic-microscopic model, and found that the evolution of nuclear deformation involving the hexadecapole (β_4) and hexacontatetrapole (β_6) deformations largely contributes to the single-particle structures in the $Z \geq 100$ and $N \geq 152$ nuclei.

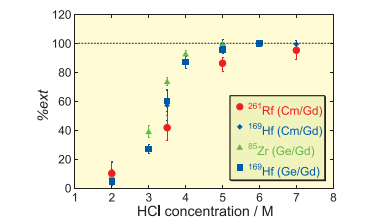


Fig. 1 Extraction of Rf, Zr, and Hf on 0.04 M TOPO as a function of HCl concentration. Cm/Gd and Ge/Gd represent targets used for the production of ^{261}Rf , ^{169}Hf , and ^{85}Zr .

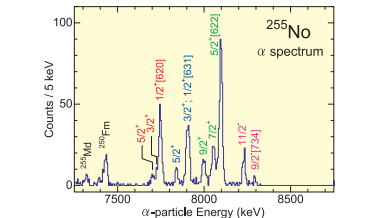


Fig. 2 α -energy spectrum of ^{255}No .

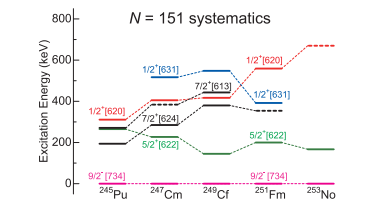


Fig. 3 Excitation energies of neutron one-quasiparticle states in $N = 151$ isotones.

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Research Group for Actinide Materials Science

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Many important properties of actinide elements and their compounds are determined by their $5f$ electrons. Because of the large number of degrees of freedom of $5f$ electrons and their sensitivity to chemical/physical environment, a variety of phenomena are realized. In a new compound an actinide experiences a different ligand field, with strong physical effects. Pressure modifies the interatomic distance continuously and this in turn has immediate influence on the $5f$ electronic behavior. Finally the purification of a known compound also provides us a new insight particularly for phenomena occurring at low temperatures, where impurity disorder can deeply disturb and hence hide the intrinsic behavior. Our group uses various techniques for the crystal growth and characterization of actinide compounds including highly radioactive transuranium elements. Hydrostatic pressure will be used to modify the electronic state by tuning the interatomic distances.

Ultra clean sample of URu_2Si_2 and the hidden order

URu_2Si_2 is a uranium-based intermetallic compound crystallizing in a tetragonal crystal structure (Fig. 1). It has two phase transitions. One is the superconducting transition at 1.4 K. Another one occurring at 17.5 K accompanies a thermodynamic anomaly. However the order parameter of the latter one is still unknown despite the huge experimental effort since its discovery in 1985. Using a high-quality single crystal with a very low residual resistivity from impurity scattering, new features were found by utilizing novel experimental techniques.

Photoemission spectroscopy is a powerful tool to observe electronic band structure. By using a recently developed high energy-resolution laser photoemission, it was found that a narrow quasiparticle band appears below the hidden-order transition temperature [1]. On the other hand, a cantilever magnetometer measurement succeeded to detect a symmetry-breaking in the hidden order state. The four-fold anisotropy expected for the tetragonal basal plane is changed to the two-fold (orthorhombic) symmetry below the hidden-order transition temperature [2]. These observations provide new

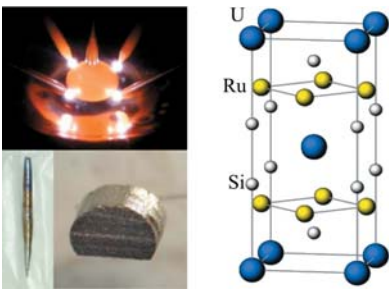


Fig. 1 (left) Czochralski-pulling method and a single crystal of high-quality URu_2Si_2 . (right) Tetragonal crystal structure of URu_2Si_2 .

insights to the nature of the hidden-order state and accelerate further experimental and theoretical investigations. See ‘Research Highlights’ for details.

Defect structure analysis of fluorite-based solid solutions

A variety of fluorite-based solid solutions are formed between M^{2+}O_2 ($\text{M} = \text{Ce}, \text{Th}$) and $\text{Ln}^{3+}_2\text{O}_3$ ($\text{Ln} = \text{lanthanide}$). The lattice parameter data of these $\text{M}_{1-x}\text{Ln}_x\text{O}_{2+3x/2}$ solutions exhibit marked deviation from the Vegard’s law (i.e., the linear variation with the Ln concentration x), most plausibly originating from the formation of oxygen vacancy (V_o) in the anion sublattice. However, this V_o effect has been neither well recognized nor well modeled. We carefully analysed the lattice parameter data, one of the most fundamental macroscopic quantity, of the solutions, and clarified their ‘generalized non-Vegardian’ behavior with non-random oxygen coordination around the cations. The present model is thus found to be useful not only as a new quantitative lattice-parameter model but also as a new direct-link to their controversial non-random local defect structure. For example, this can provide a new consistent description of their intriguing ionic-conductivity maxima behavior in low y range [3,4].

Hydrostatic pressure technique for actinide study

High pressure technique is a very useful tool to modify electronic states of actinide compound. Since the properties of actinide compounds are sensitive to the pressure inhomogeneity or uniaxial stress occurring at low temperature, it is necessary to achieve hydrostatic conditions. We have built a diamond anvil cell and selected appropriate pressure medium for the low-temperature and high-pressure experiments up to 10 GPa with nearly hydrostatic conditions [5].

The pressure technique was applied to the uranium-based antiferromagnet U_2Zn_{17} [6]. In general, application of pressure on localized cerium antiferromagnet suppresses the transition temperature at high pressure and drives the system to non-magnetic heavy electron state because of competing two effects, antiferromagnetic exchange and the Kondo interactions. In U_2Zn_{17} , however, the antiferromagnetic transition temperature is almost unchanged up to 5 GPa and gradually increasing above 5 GPa up to 9 GPa. Higher pressure far above 10 GPa is necessary to suppress the transition temperature, in contrast to the typical critical pressure of 2 GPa for the cerium compound with the similar bulk modulus. The weak pressure effect may be ascribed to the itinerant character of $5f$ electrons in this compound, as discussed theoretically in uranium monochalcogenide.

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Research Group for Condensed Matter Physics of Heavy Elements Systems

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In heavy element (*f*-electron) systems, valence fluctuations, the Kondo effect, and the RKKY interaction compete with one another. Because of this, exotic behaviors such as quantum critical points, heavy fermions, non-Fermi liquids, anisotropic superconductivity and multipolar ordering appear when such competition is strong. Recently, it has become clear that these exotic behaviors for *5f*-electron systems are different from those for *4f*-electrons. This is because electrons with different spin and orbital character can coexist in *5f* actinide systems, in contrast to the case of *4f*-electrons. By means of microscopic spectroscopy: NMR and μ SR, our research group tries to clarify these exotic behaviors due to the “many-fold” character of *4f*, *5f* compounds, including transuranium. *5f*-electron systems are regarded to possess intermediate physical properties between those of *3d*- and *4f*-electrons systems. The final scientific goal of our project is to unify the concept of magnetism and superconductivity for *3d* through *5f* systems.

Correlation between the superconducting pairing symmetry and magnetic anisotropy in *f*-electron unconventional superconductors

The superconducting pairing symmetry and the magnetic anisotropy of the normal state are found empirically to be strongly correlated in *f*-electron unconventional superconductors having crystallographic symmetry lower than cubic [1]. Effectively, there are three categories: 1) In antiferromagnetic systems, unconventional superconductivity appears with singlet (*d*-wave) pairing or mixed-parity pairing (in non-centrosymmetric compounds) for cases of XY anisotropy. 2) In ferromagnetic systems, unconventional superconductivity with triplet (*e.g.* *p*-wave) pairing appears for cases of Ising anisotropy. 3) A few exceptional cases: The origin of the observed correlation is discussed in terms of the orbital *f*-electron states. Especially, in the case 1), the larger magnetic XY anisotropy would produce the higher-*T_c* *d*-wave superconductivity [2].

Microscopic evidence for magnetic transition in AmO₂

The first NMR study of americium dioxide (AmO₂) has been done. More than 30 years ago, a phase transition was suggested to occur in this compound at 8.5 K based on magnetic susceptibility data, while no evidence had been obtained from microscopic measurements. We have prepared a powder sample of ²⁴³AmO₂ containing 90 at. % ¹⁷O and have performed ¹⁷O-NMR at temperatures ranging from 1.5 to 200 K. After a sudden drop of the ¹⁷O NMR signal intensity below 8.5 K, at 1.5 K we have observed an extremely broad spectrum covering a range of ~14 kOe in applied field (Fig. 1). These data provide the first microscopic evidence for a phase transition as a bulk property in this system [3]. In addition, the ¹⁷O NMR spectrum has been found to split into two peaks in the paramagnetic state, which has not been reported for actinide dioxides studied up to now. We suggest that the splitting is induced by self-radiation damage from the alpha decay of ²⁴³Am.

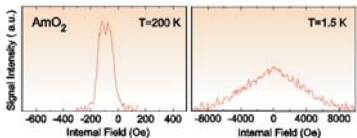


Fig. 1 Temperature dependence of ¹⁷O-NMR spectra observed in AmO₂. The shape of the spectrum corresponds to the distribution of hyperfine fields at oxygen nuclear sites. The spectrum in AmO₂ broadens drastically below the ordering temperature of 8.5 K. The line shape in the ordered state is found to be quite different from the rectangular shape observed in the dipole ordered state of UO₂.

f-electron anisotropy locally induced by an interstitial hydrogen analogue μ^+ in PrPb₃

There is growing interest in the microscopic knowledge of an interstitial hydrogen in condensed matter and its influence on neighbors. We investigated a microscopic state of the interstitial hydrogen in PrPb₃ that is related to lanthanide-based hydrogen absorption metals using a positive muon μ^+ as a hydrogen analogue. We found that the implanted μ^+ is localized at the midpoint between two Pr ions and forms a three spin system Pr- μ^+ -Pr, which is evidenced from the time-evolution of μ^+ spin polarization (Fig. 2) [4,5]. The coupling between a ¹⁴¹Pr nuclear spin and a μ^+ spin is anisotropically enhanced by hyperfine-enhanced *f*-electron magnetic moment. This indicates that the interstitial hydrogen locally induces the strong anisotropy in *f*-electron magnetism. Based on this study, the effective crystal field at the Pr site in metallic PrPb₃ is clarified.

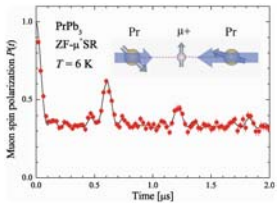


Fig. 2 Time-evolution of μ^+ spin polarization in PrPb₃. Characteristic periodic peaks appears due to the formation of Pr- μ^+ -Pr system (Inset). The blue arrows represent *f*-electron magnetic moments induced by the hyperfine interaction with Pr nuclear spins.

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Research Group for Hadron Physics

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The research objectives of Research Group for Hadron Physics are 1) experimental study of exotic hadrons and nuclei with strangeness and charm at J-PARC and BNL-RHIC, 2) research and development of new high-rate particle detectors such as a silicon strip detector, a scintillation fiber tracker and a time projection chamber, 3) theoretical study of nuclear matter at high and low densities and the role of strangeness in nuclear matter and neutron stars. Through these topics, we study many-body problems of quarks and hadrons in relation with QCD.

Search for penta-quark Θ^+ with a π beam at J-PARC

The experiment to search for the penta-quark Θ^+ has been performed at J-PARC, through $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^- X(\Theta^+)$ reaction. This was the first experiment in the Hadron hall at J-PARC. The J-PARC hadron beam line (K1.8) provides a π^- beam of 1.9 GeV/c and $10^8 \pi^-/\text{spill}$ which hits a liquid hydrogen target. Momentum of π^- beam particles is measured by a beam-line spectrometer and that of outgoing K^- mesons is measured with a kaon spectrometer (SKS). The missing-mass resolution for Θ^+ was expected to be about 1.4 MeV/c² which is the best resolution among previous penta-quark search experiments. This missing-mass resolution was confirmed by measuring Σ^- hyperons by $\pi^- p \rightarrow K^- \Sigma^-$ reaction. The data was analyzed in a short period and we found no peak structure due to Θ^+ in the obtained missing-mass spectrum [1]. It concluded that a hint of a possible peak for Θ^+ at 1.53 GeV/c² observed by the previous KEK experiment (E522) was due to a statistical fluctuation, since the present data has 10 times more sensitivity to Θ^+ than the previous experiment. The null result provided an upper limit for the production cross section of Θ^+ to be 150 nb at 90% confidence level. It suggests the width of Θ^+ is expected to be about 100 keV or less if it exists, which is quite different from the known hadron resonances.

Research and development (R&D) of high-rate particle detectors for hadron physics experiments at J-PARC

We have been developing three kinds of detectors which have very high rate capabilities. It is quite important and essential to fully utilize the high intensity hadron beams provided by J-PARC. The goal of this R&D is to install tracking detectors capable up to the rate of 10^7 particles/s, which is 100 times higher than the capability of the present detectors at the beam line at J-PARC. The first one is a silicon microstrip detector. We have constructed a silicon strip sensor of 80 μm strip width and sensitive area of $60 \times 60 \text{ mm}^2$. A test experiment was performed at the Research Center for Electron Photon Science, Tohoku University using a high-intensity electron beam up to more than 10^7 particles/s. We found this detector has a sufficient efficiency (95%) up to 100 MHz particle rate. The second is a time projection chamber (TPC) which is capable of the three-dimensional track reconstruction. We have constructed a small TPC for R&D which has about 25 cm drift length and $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ sensitive area. In order to have a high rate capability, gas electron multiplier (GEM) sheets with anode pads are employed for the signal amplification and readout. The third one is a scintillating fiber tracker. It has a high rate capability up to 100 MHz particle rates because of an excellent time resolution (less than 1 ns). The construction of a fiber tracker with 1mm ϕ scintillating fibers with micro pixel photon counter (MPPC) readout is now in progress.

Theoretical study of nuclear matter

The equation of state (EOS) of nuclear matter during the liquid-gas (LG) phase transition is one of the most important issues in nuclear physics and astrophysics. In the collapsing stage of supernovae and the crust region of neutron stars, low-density and inhomogeneous nuclear matter is expected. The EOS of mixed phase is often obtained by simply applying the Maxwell construction or more carefully by solving the Gibbs conditions. The Maxwell construction can be used in the case of *congruent* transition: the coexisting two phases have the same chemical component with different densities. However, nuclear matter which consists of proton, neutron and electron, generally becomes *non-congruent* and the particle fractions take different values in coexisting phases. The Gibbs conditions then give EOS different from that of the Maxwell construction.

In the viewpoint of the congruence, we have clarified properties of symmetric and asymmetric nuclear matter. Without considering the geometrical structures, symmetric nuclear matter behaves *congruently* due to the strong symmetry potential. Therefore the Maxwell construction is applicable. Asymmetric nuclear matter, on the other hand, is *non-congruent* and the Maxwell construction does not work.

Subsequently we have explored LG mixed phase with geometrical structures called nuclear “pasta”. We have clarified the effects of the surface tension and the Coulomb repulsion on the “pasta” structures. These finite-size effects restrict the appearance of mixed phase with “pasta” structures [2,3].

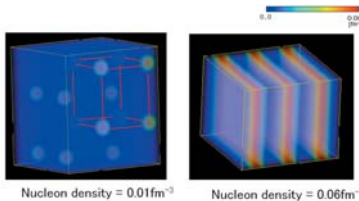


Fig. 1 Examples of “pasta” structures by a fully three-dimensional calculation.

To understand LG mixed phase in more detail, we have performed a fully three-dimensional calculation without assuming geometrical symmetry in the structure. As shown in Fig. 1, we have observed typical “pasta” structures, which was expected in the studies which assume geometrical symmetry. On the other hand we have observed more complex structures with networks of matter or mixture of two kinds of pasta structures. They may emerge as the meta-stable states of matter.

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Research Group for Bioactinide

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Our research subject is focused on the formation of actinides and lanthanides nano-particles in the biological reaction environments. The central objectives are to elucidate the biological and chemical processes of the nano-particles formation by analyzing change on chemical states of actinides by advanced analytical methods. Among the interaction of actinides and lanthanides with microorganisms, nano-particle formation by the transfer of phosphorous ions and electron from the cells to actinides has been studied.

Formation of phosphate nano-particles in the biological reaction environments

Phosphate minerals containing heavy elements of lanthanides and U are known to be hardly soluble in the aqueous solution in the environments. Phosphorous is an essential element of microorganisms. The microorganisms store P in their cells. We have found that yeast, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* releases P in solution containing U(VI), followed by the formation of uranyl phosphate mineral of H-autunite [1]. However, not only mechanism of the formation of uranyl phosphate mineral, but role of microorganisms for the formation have not been elucidated.

We have conducted the research of phosphate mineralization of one of the lanthanide elements of Ce on the cell surface of yeast [2]. The yeast cells were exposed to Ce containing solution. Cerium concentration in solutions decreases as a function of exposure time. Analyses of the yeast cells by FESEM, TEM, and XAFS show that needle-shaped Ce(III) phosphate nanocrystallites with a monazite structure formed on the yeast cells by exposure to Ce(III) for 42 h, even though the initial solutions did not contain any P species. The Ce(III) phosphate nanocrystals grew from about 50 nm to hundreds of nanometers. P concentration in the solution increased after the yeast cells were inoculated, indicating the release of P from the yeast cells. These results suggest that the sorbed Ce on the cell surfaces reacted with P released from inside the yeast cell, resulting in the formation of Ce(III) phosphate nanocrystallites.

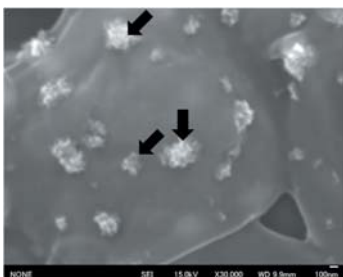


Fig. 1 SEM image the precipitates formed on the yeast cell surface after exposure to $1.79 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$ of Ce solution for 7 days at pH 5. Bright spots sized 100-200 nm with black arrow are observed on the cell.

Formation of nano-particles by electron transfer in the biological reaction environments

Electron is transferred when microorganisms respire to obtain energy. Some microorganisms, i.e. iron reducing bacteria, can reduce soluble U(VI) to insoluble U(IV) using organic substrates or hydrogen as electron donor. By the reduction of U(VI) to U(IV), nano-particles of UO_2 have been formed. However, mechanism of the formation of UO_2 nano particles have not been elucidated. In this year, we have examined the electron pathway for the U(VI) reduction mediated by flavin mononucleotide (FMN), which is secreted by *Shewanella* species [3].

The cyclic voltammetry (CV) and photo-electrochemical methods with an optically transparent thin-layer electrode (OTTE) cell were utilized in investigating in vitro the electron transfer reactions that take place between FMN and U(VI). In the CV measurements of U(VI), a catalytic U(VI) reduction current was observed in the presence of FMN at the redox potential of the FMN. The reduction current increased with an increase in the concentration of the U(VI). The reduced form of the U was confirmed to be U(IV) by the photo-electrochemical analysis using the OTTE cell. The results demonstrated that FMN acts as the mediator in the electro-reduction of U(VI) to U(IV). In addition, in-vivo bio-reduction experiments on U(VI) with *Shewanella putrefaciens* revealed that the addition of FMN accelerated the reduction rate of the U(VI). These results indicate that the bio-reduction of U(VI) by the *Shewanella* species can be catalyzed by FMN secreted from the cells.

Electron transfer from Mn(II) to manganese oxidizing microorganisms causes the formation of Mn(IV) oxides. Manganese oxides have oxidizing properties for Ce(III). The oxidation of Ce(III) by Mn oxides causes positive Ce adsorption anomaly in the rare earth elements (REE) [4]. We have found that the positive Ce anomaly for the biogenic Mn oxide detected at pH 3.83 decreases with increasing pH. Suppression of the positive Ce anomaly under higher pH is recognized for the biogenic Mn oxide, and further negative Ce anomaly is observed at a pH of more than 6.5 [5]. The trend observed for our data is quite opposite to that observed for the previous studies using abiotically synthesized Mn oxide, where the degree of positive Ce anomaly increases with increasing pH. The detail of the research results is shown in the research highlight.

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Research Group for Radiation and Biomolecular Science

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The research objective of Radiation and Biomolecular Science Group is to fully characterize molecular processes by which ionizing radiation alters the chemical structure of biomolecules, particularly the genetic material (DNA), in cells. Two approaches are proposed to address the main objective: 1) Determine the physicochemical processes of DNA alteration induced by radiation in terms of electron/hole transfer within DNA and the hydrated water layer surrounding DNA. 2) Obtain experimental evidence of cellular responses to radiation, including DNA repair processes to various types of DNA alteration in living cells.

Study of unpaired electron species in pyrimidine DNA-bases induced by nitrogen and oxygen K-shell photoabsorption

In order to clarify the mechanism of DNA-base modification (base lesion) induced by K-shell photoabsorption of nitrogen and oxygen atoms, we have developed an X-band electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) spectrometer system at a synchrotron soft X-ray beamline BL23SU in Spring-8, and examined the EPR 'in situ' signal during the soft X-ray irradiation. Spectra of two DNA pyrimidine bases, thymine and cytosine, were measured and their fine structures around nitrogen and oxygen K-edges were observed. The g-factor of the short-lived unpaired electron arising only during irradiation in thymine was determined to be 2.000, which is distinct from that of a free electron (2.0023). The EPR intensities for cytosine are significantly enhanced by nitrogen (Fig. 1) and oxygen K-absorption, indicating that cytosine favors to form unpaired electron species, rather than thymine, presumably due to the excitation of the enhanced electron capturing [1].

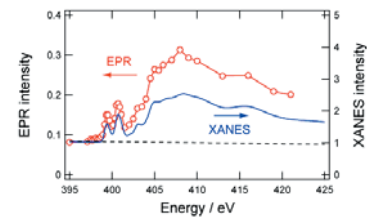


Fig. 1 Dependence of the EPR intensity of cytosine film on soft X-ray energy around nitrogen K-edge. The right-hand axis shows the intensity of the X-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) spectrum. The dotted line represents the baseline deduced from the calculation of the photoabsorption cross section of cytosine assuming that the cross section is determined by summing up each elements cross sections, without nitrogen K-shell.

The significance of a base modification with a GAP type strand break within a clustered DNA damage site on the induction of mutations

Base lesion(s) induced by high LET radiation associated with other types of damage, known as a clustered DNA damage site, compromise(s) base excision repair proteins [2]. The effect of

clustered DNA damage sites *in vivo* still remains largely unknown. We examined whether two- or three-lesion clustered damage site containing an 8-oxoG(s) and a single strand break (SSB) with hydroxyl groups at the both strand-break termini (called "GAP" type SSB) is highly mutagenic, using plasmid based assay in *Escherichia coli* (*E.coli*) to measure mutation frequency of these clustered DNA damage sites [3]. The experimentally determined mutation frequencies of bi-stranded two-lesion clusters (GAP/8-oxoG), especially in *mutY* deficient *Escherichia coli* strain, are high or are similar to those for bi-stranded clusters with 8-oxoG and other base modifications, such as dihydrothymine, or abasic site (AP site), suggesting that the GAP is processed at similar efficiencies with 8-oxoG or AP site within a cluster. The mutation frequencies of tandem two-lesion clusters comprised of an 8-oxoG and a GAP are, on the other hand, comparable to or less than that of single 8-oxoG. Mutagenic potential of three lesion clusters, which were comprised of a tandem lesion (an 8-oxoG and a GAP) and an opposing single 8-oxoG, was higher than that of a single 8-oxoG but was no more than that of a bi-stranded 8-oxoGs. We suggest that although the nucleotide incorporation opposite 8-oxoG plays an important role, it is less, at least in part, mutagenic when GAP is present on the opposite strand. Our observations indicate that the repair of a GAP is retarded by opposing, but not by tandem, 8-oxoG and that the extent of GAP repair determines the biological consequences.

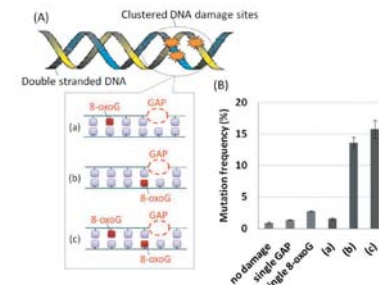


Fig. 2 Mutation frequencies of two- or three-lesion clustered damage sites containing 8-oxoG(s) and a GAP transformed into *mutY* deficient strain of *E.coli*. (A), scheme of three types of clustered damage sites on double stranded DNA. (B), mutation frequencies of these clustered damage sites transformed into *mutY* deficient strain of *E.coli*.

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Research Group for Spin-polarized Positron Beam

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Primary target of our research project is the establishment of a highly spin-polarized positron beam for the research on spin-electronic materials. We produce intense positron source (^{60}Ge - ^{60}Ga) that yields much highly polarized positrons than the conventional ^{22}Na source through nuclear reactions. We perform the spin-polarized positron annihilation experiments. Employing previously developed reflection high-energy positron diffraction (RHEPD) and Positron microscope, we also promote the studies of surface low-dimensional materials and nuclear materials.

Spin-polarized electrons in Fe, Co, Ni and Gd detected by spin-polarized positron annihilation

The electron momentum distribution of a magnetic substance observed using spin-polarized positrons exhibits so-called field-reversal asymmetry as shown in Fig. 1 due to time-reversal symmetry breaking arising from excess electron spins [1]. The Doppler broadening of annihilation radiation (DBAR) spectra of Fe, Co, Ni, and Gd polycrystals measured using spin-polarized positrons from a ^{60}Ge - ^{60}Ga source in magnetic fields exhibited clear asymmetry upon field reversal. The differential DBAR spectra between field-up and field-down conditions were reproduced in calculations considering polarization of positrons and electrons. The magnitudes of the field-reversal asymmetry for the Fe, Co, and Ni samples were approximately proportional to the effective magnetization. The magnetic field dependence of the DBAR spectrum for the Fe sample showed hysteresis that is similar to a magnetization curve. These results demonstrate that spin-polarized positron annihilation spectroscopy will be useful in studying magnetic properties of spin-electronic materials.

Atomic configuration of two-dimensional electron compound revealed by RHEPD

The adsorption of the noble and alkali metal atoms on the $\text{Si}(111)-\sqrt{3}\times\sqrt{3}$ -Ag surface leads to the formation of $\sqrt{21}\times\sqrt{21}$ superstructures, accompanied by the drastic increase in the surface electrical conductivity. Recently, we found that the $\sqrt{21}\times\sqrt{21}$ superstructures are fabricated with different stoichiometry of the adsorbed binary metal atoms on the $\text{Si}(111)$ surface. The atomic and electronic structures of the Au and Ag superstructure have been investigated using reflection high-energy positron diffraction (RHEPD), angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES), scanning tunnelling microscopy (STM), and semi-empirical theoretical approach [2]. As a result, we found that the $\text{Si}(111)-\sqrt{21}\times\sqrt{21}$ superstructure has a characteristic of electron compounds. We also found that the interaction energy among the adsorbates plays an important role in the formation of $\sqrt{21}\times\sqrt{21}$ superstructures.

This work was done in collaboration with Matsuda group of ISSP, University of Tokyo.

Stress-induced corrosion cracking observed by positron microscope

Stress corrosion cracking (SCC) is still an important issue in the low-carbon austenitic stainless steels developed as corrosion resistive materials for nuclear power plants. However, its

mechanism has not yet fully been clarified. Recently, a hypothesis of the SCC crack propagation mediated by vacancy defects in a stress field near the crack tip is proposed. To investigate the vacancy formation during the SCC crack propagation, vacancy defects near the crack tip in stainless steel under tensile stress has been observed through *in-situ* positron microbeam measurements [3]. From the DBAR measurements of a stress-corrosion-cracked stainless steel, a clear increase of density of vacancy defects was observed over 200–400 μm areas from the SCC crack. From the comparison of the DBAR spectra obtained for the SCC sample and plastically deformed sample, the vacancy defects around the SCC crack were attributed to plastic deformation due to the stress concentration near the crack tip [4]. On the other hand, it is reported that vacancy defects in austenitic stainless steels migrate easily at a high temperature and move along the tensile stress. Crack progress by the SCC may occur preferentially in the crack tip where vacancy defects are accumulated

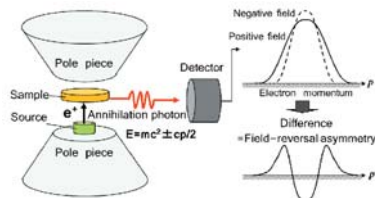


Fig. 1 Principle of spin-polarized positron annihilation spectroscopy (SP-PAS). Sample and source are placed in magnetic field. Longitudinally polarized positrons from the source are implanted into the magnetized sample and annihilation photons are detected by a Ge detector. Thus obtained DBAR spectrum reflects the electron momentum distribution. DBAR spectra for the field-up and field-down conditions are not identical due to the different spin statistics between positrons and electrons upon field reversal. This is called the field-reversal asymmetry. Field dependence of DBAR spectrum provides information on effective magnetization, electron spin-polarization and magnetization property of a magnetic substance. Considering the fact that positrons are trapped by vacancy defects, magnetisms induced by vacancy defects will be studied by SP-PAS method. By developing low-energy polarized positron beam, magnetic thin films and spin phenomena near surface will also be studied.

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Appendix

◆Pre-Review meeting : The Evaluation Committee of Research Activities for Advanced Science Research

Date: April 22-23, 2010
Committee

Chairperson	Takeshi Egami	UT-ORNL Distinguished Scientist/Professor, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, the University of Tennessee, USA
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	Sukekatsu Ushioda	President, National Institute for Materials Science
	Shigeo Koyasu	Professor, School of Medicin, Keio University
	Tatsuo Shikama	Head, International Research Center for Nuclear Materials Science, Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University
	Kohei Tamao	Director, Advanced Science Institute, RIKEN
	Hiroshi Toki	Professor Emeritus, Osaka University
	Hidetoshi Fukuyama	Vice President, Tokyo University of Science
	Albert Fert	Scientific Director, the CNRS/ Thales Joint Physics Unit, Professor of Physics, University of Paris-Sud, Orsay, France Nobel Prize Winner in Physics 2007
	Peter Fulde	Director and Scientific Member, Max Planck Institute for the Physics of Complex Systems, Germany Director, Asia-Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics
	Norbert Trautmann	Honorary Professor, the Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz, German

Pre Review Report : <http://jolissrch-inter.tokai-sc.jaea.go.jp/pdfdata/JAEA-Evaluation-2010-006.pdf> (PDF:2MB)

◆International Workshop

The 1st International ASRC Workshop on “New approach to the exotic phases of actinides compounds under unconventional experimental conditions”
Date : February 16-18, 2011
Venue : Advanced Science Research Center, Tokai, Japan
Organizers : G. H. Lander (ILL, France) and S. Kambe (JAEA)
URL : <http://asrc.jaea.go.jp/soshiki/gr/kambe-gr/Workshop2011/Main.html>

◆ASRC Seminar

No	Title	Speaker	Affiliation
386	Microbes and microbial products for nuclear waste remediation	Lynne Macaskie	University of Birmingham
	Bacterial transformations of radionuclides and metals	Joanna Renshaw	
387	Spintronics	Samuel D. Bader	Argonne National Laboratory (Advisor of ASRC)
388	Quantum criticality, and the physics and chemistry of superconductivity	Zachary Fisk	University of California, Irvine Invited Researcher for ASRC (Group Leader)
390	Quantum criticality in Yb-based compounds: thermal transport and Seebeck properties	Koichi Izawa	Tokyo Institute of Technology
391	Spin and charge dynamics in anti-ferromagnetic phase of iron-based superconductors	Takami Tohyama	Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics, Kyoto University
392	6th workshop of JAEA actinide network: Actinide solution chemistry and actinide nuclei NMR	Yasuhsa Ikeda	Tokyo Institute of Technology
		Toshiyuki Fujii	Kyoto University
		Akira Kirishima	Tohoku University
		Yoshihiro Kitatsuji	JAEA
		Hironori Sakai	JAEA
		Akinobu Dote	High Energy Accelerator Research Orgnization (KEK)
394	Multi-nucleon transfer reactions in low-energy collisions of heavy ions	Valery Zagrebaev	Flerov Laboratory of Nuclear Reactions
395	Solid state theory for actinide compounds	Takashi Hotta	Tokyo Metropolitan University
396	K and Φ mesons in nuclear matter	Hiroaki Ohnishi	RIKEN
397	Variational cluster approximation for transition metal oxides	Robert Eder	Chiba University Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
398	Anomalous magnetic properties of transition metal chains from first-principles calculations	Guang-Yu Guo	Department of Physics, National Taiwan University
	Majorana fermion in topological superconductors	Naoto Nagaosa	The University of Tokyo
399	Analysis of Fe-based superconductors using 5-orbital model toward microscopic understanding of heavy fermion state	Hiroaki Ikeda	Kyoto University
	Parity-mixed superconductivity in non-centrosymmetric superconductors and non-Fermi liquid behaviors in electron scattering.	Tetsuya Takimoto	Asia Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics
400	Experimental study of Quark Gluon Plasma at RHIC	Yasuyuki Akiba	RIKEN
401	Unusual electronic phases of Mott insulators with strong spin-orbit coupling	Giniyatulla Khaliullin	Max-Planck-Institute
402	Electromotive force induced by zinc-blende MnAs nanomagnets	Pham Nam Hai	The University of Tokyo

403	Issues in correlated electron actinide materials	Zachary Fisk	University of California,Irvine Invited Researcher for ASRC (Group Leader)
404	MuSR studies of doped magnetic semiconductor (Ga,Mn) As and development of a next generation system Li (Zn,Mn) As	Yasutomo J.Uemura	Columbia University
405	The start of superheavy element research at TASCA	Matthias Schädel	GSI Invited Researcher for ASRC (Group Leader)
406	Spin current induced phenomena in nano-structures	Yoshichika Otani Yasuhiro Niimi Dahai Wei	The University of Tokyo
407	New approach of magnetic resonance toward nano-meter resolution	Yosuke Yoshinari	JEOL Ltd.
408	Gain of the kinetic energy of bipolarons in the t-J-Holstein model based on electron-phonon coupling	Janez Bonca	Jozef Stefan Institute
409	Recent and future research on superheavy elements at Mainz/GSI	Jens V. Kratz	The Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz
411	A study of Ξ production in (K-, K+) reactions by semi-classical distorted wave approximation and Ξ -nucleus potential	Shintaro Hashimoto	Post-Doctoral Fellow, JAEA
412	Electromotive force in magnetic tunnel junctions	Hyun-Woo Lee	Pohang University of Science and Technology
413	Multifunctional properties in heusler compounds:from topological insulators to spintronics	Claudia Felser	The Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz
414	Selected topics in spin caloritronics	Gerrit E. W. Baure	Delft University of Technology
415	The transport coefficients for the large scale nuclear collective motion	Fedir A. Ivanyuk	Kiev Institute for Nuclear Reseach
416	NMR imaging -technology and its development in Japan	Hiroshi Yasuoka	JAEA
417	Hypernuclear weak decay measurements with FINUDA experiment	Simonetta Marcello	University of Turin
418	Magnetic interactions and excitations in multiferroic MnWO ₄	Timothy Ziman	Institute Laue-Langevin
419	Spin spirals in underdoped cuprates:theory and experiment	Oleg P. Sushkov	University of New South Wales
420	Numerical study of interacting systems driven by a constant electric field	Janez Bonca	Jozef Stefan Institute
421	Spin current and spintronics	Koki Takanashi	Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University
422	Development of the quantum-mechanical method suitable for systems with 20000 atoms	Dmitri Fedorov	Advanced Industrial Science and Technology
423	A Tale of two oxygens: Two types of oxygens in high-Tc cuprates observed by STM	Shin-ichi Uchida	Graduate School of Science, The University of Tokyo
424	Exotic charmed hadrons and charmed nuclei	Shigehiro Yasui	High Energy Accelerator Research Organization (KEK)
425	Radiation and pgoto-induced oxidative DNA damage	Kiyohiko Kawai	The institute of Scientific and Industrial Research, Osaka University
426	Matrix product state in discretized and continuous space -Density renormalization group, Bethe ansatz, Z2 topological invariant-	Isao Maruyama	Graduate School of Engineering Science, Osaka University
427	Exotic atom and molecule including supersymmetric tau particles and catalyzed nuclear fusion	Yasushi Kino	Faculty of Science, Tohoku University
428	Sp scattering experiment project at J-PARC	Kouji Miwa	Graduate School of Science, Tohoku Univeristy
430	The transport coefficients for the large scale nuclear collective motion	Fedir A. Ivanyuk	Institute for Nuclear Research
434	Molecular spintronics: Spin polarized transport through quantum dots and molecules	Jan Martinek	Polish Academy of Sciences
435	Nonequilibrium quantum dynamics of a charge carrier doped into Mott insulator	Lev Vidmar	Jozef Stefan Institute

◆Research theme accepted for Reimei Research Program

Research Theme	Project Director (Applicant)	Organization
New approach to the exotic phases of actinides compounds under unconventional experimental conditions	Gerry H. Lander	Institut Laue-Langevin
Biological assessment of radiation damage of ATP by Soft X-rays	Nobuyoshi Akimitsu	Radioisotope Center,The University of Tokyo
Theory of Materials for Spin Electronics and Dynamics of Magnetic Nanostructures	Timothy Ziman	Institut Laue-Langevin
Synthesis, MuSR and other studies of Li(Mn,Zn)As and I-II-V doped magnetic semiconductors	Yasutomo J. Uemura	Columbia University
Time-resolved neutron contrast method by pulse-magnetic-field nuclear polarization	Yasuo Narumi	Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University

◆Research Collaborations and Cooperation

The number of Research collaborations	
Research collaborations	33
Research cooperations	3

The number of organizations based on joint research arrangement		
Domestic	Universities	19
	Public Institutions	6
	Others	7
Foreign Institutions		9

◆Visitors (the total number)

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