

Re-creation of Tradition :
Connecting Historical Roots with Frontier
Research

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Outline

*1. Osaka University's Historical Roots:
The Two Edo-era academies*

2. New Initiatives

(1) Kaitokudo for the 21st Century

(2) Immunology Frontier Research Center

*3. Recapture Tradition to Better Contribute to Contemporary
Society*

Kaitokudo (懷徳堂)

an Edo-period school for citizens founded in 1724

- The open-minded and progressive tradition of the Osaka merchant culture
- Offered an opportunity to study regardless of one's social standing
- In pursuit of spiritual and intellectual advancement rather than material wealth



NAKAI CHIKUZAN



Tekijuku (適塾)

A private academy of Dutch studies

- **Founded by Ogata Koan, a prominent medical doctor in 1838.**
- **Graduates became bearers in modernizing Japan after Meiji Restoration.**
- **Science faculties, especially Faculty of Medicine at Osaka University trace their origin back to the academic tradition of *Tekijuku*.**



OGATA KO-AN (緒方洪庵) 4



Kaitokudo for the 21st Century

To strengthen Osaka University's community outreach



Collaboration with the local governments, industry, non-profit organizations, foundations, citizens and local communities



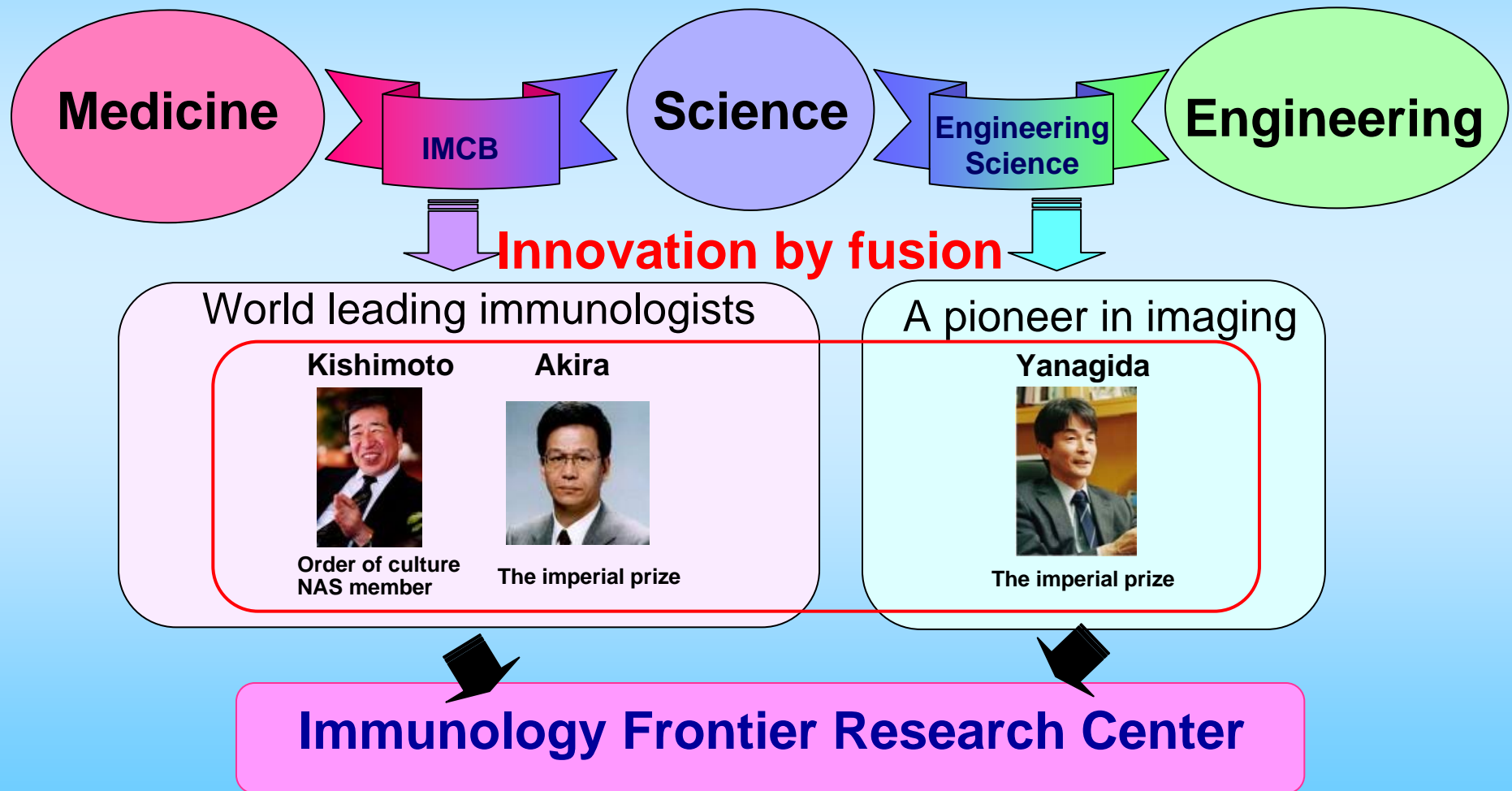
Communication Gallery



Multi-purpose theater

Immunology Frontier Research Center

World Premier Initiative (WPI) Program by MEXT

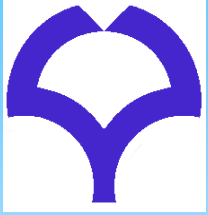




Immunology Frontier Research Center



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