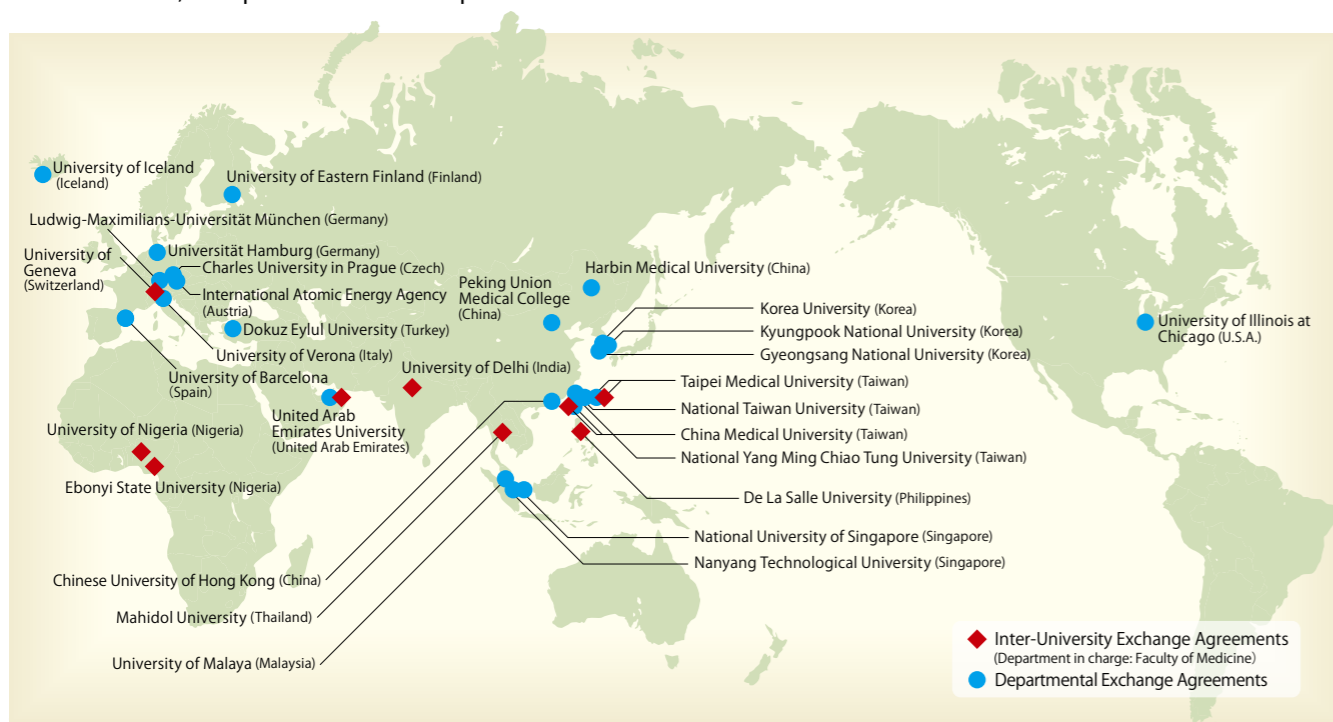


International Exchanges

The Graduate School of Medicine is promoting international collaborations through exchanges of researchers and joint research projects. Currently, we have concluded international exchange agreements with 30 universities outside Japan (as of April 2022).

As an international exchanges project, we have established an international exchange fund to provide assistance and aid to be able to invite and accept non-Japanese researchers, dispatch and train young researchers, and provide scholarships and aid to international students.



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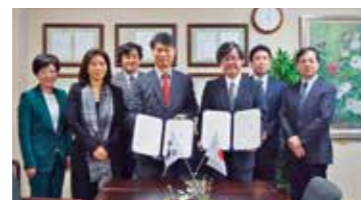
International Relations Division Supports International Students

As of April 2022, 46 international students from 8 countries study at the Graduate School of Medicine. Staff members of the International Relations Division are responsible for creating a comfortable environment for international students, and provide academic and personal support.



International Relations Division

Our mission is to increase the presence of the Graduate School of Medicine on the international scene. We promote partnerships with institutes and faculties overseas, share the latest technologies and knowledge, and provide students with quality education that meets the needs of diverse and global society.



Agreement concluded with Korea University (Korea)

We also strive to nurture responsible global citizens and leaders for the future. We host seminars and events designed to help students acquire practical knowledge in medicine and research, as well as manners and communication skills useful in the global society.



Events to interact with international students

Visit the website for further information. [URL https://edu.med.hokudai.ac.jp/international-relations/](https://edu.med.hokudai.ac.jp/international-relations/)

Number of International Students in the Graduate School of Medicine (As of April 1, 2022)

● Distribution by Country/Region

Area	Country/Region	Number
Asia 43 students	Bangladesh	1
	China	39
	Malaysia	1
	Taiwan	1
	Vietnam	1
Central and South America 1	Argentina	1
Middle East 1	Afghanistan	1
Africa 1	Egypt	1
TOTAL		46
International Students (Other visa status)		2

● International Student Numbers by Graduate Program

(): number of female students included

Master's Program	Doctoral Program
6 (5)	40 (19)

● Methods of Financial Support

(): number of female students included

Japanese government	6 (3)
Self-Supported	38 (19)
Foreign government	2 (2)
TOTAL	46 (24)
International Students (Other visa status)	2 (1)
GRAND TOTAL (All International Students)	48 (25)

Message from an International Master's Student

Research and Life

2nd-year Master's Student
Medical Science Course, Department of Stem Cell Biology
ZOU Peilin
[People's Republic of China]

I entered the master's course because I wanted to discover unknown science practically based on my passion for medicine. At Hokkaido University medical school, I could study stem cells as I had wished, and explored new therapies for brain tumors using stem cells. The life of man begins from a cell, so the answer of life is hidden in the cell, and the small cell holds the secret I have been searching! It is the significance of our efforts to apply answers from cells to animal experiments, and gradually progress to patients. For me, the joy of scientific research lies in combining the research results of my predecessors with my own knowledge, putting forward possible ideas and experimenting with my own hands to verify the applicability of my ideas. Although it is sometimes hard, it's all worth it, because we may not only realize our dreams, but also bring new hope to suffering people. Let's dream together and proceed steadily.

