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Graduate School of Biostudies (Master and Doctoral Courses),
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2002 – 2004 JT Biohistory Research Hall Trainee (Prof. Keiko Nakamura and Ms. Mitsuko
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Professional Experience:

4/2006 – 1/2007 Research Fellow at Kyoto University in Japan, Graduate School of Biostudies
2/2007 – 9/2007 Specially appointed Assistant Professor at Kyoto University,
Graduate School of Biostudies
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10/2011 – 12/2014 Assistant Professor at University of Tsukuba in Japan, Faculty of Medicine,
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Academic/ Professional Societies:

The Molecular Biology Society of Japan

Research Area/ Interests:

Molecular Biology, Molecular Genetics, Microbiology, Bioinformatics / Adaptation mechanisms of
pathogenic and symbiotic bacteria
Incubation Studies for Entrepreneurship / Prototyping foodstuffs to assess social acceptance

Selected Publications (10):

1. Mori K, Murano K, **Ohniwa RL**, Kawaguchi A, and Nagata K. “Tamiflu Expands Quasispecies of Influenza Virus through Cell-to-cell Transmission.” *Scientific Report*, 2015 Mar 16;5:9163. doi: 10.1038/srep09163..
2. Ushijima Y, **Ohniwa RL**, Maruyama A, Saito S, Tanaka Y and Morikawa K. “Nucleoid compaction by MrgA^{Asp56Ala/Glu60Ala} does not contribute to staphylococcal cell survival against oxidative stress and phagocytic killing by macrophage.” *FEMS Microbiol Lett*. doi: 10.1111/1574-6968.12598, 360(2):144-51, (2014)Nov
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in *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Bacillus subtilis*, and *Staphylococcus aureus*.” ***PLoS ONE***, 6(4), e19172 (2011)

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7. **Ohniwa RL**, Hibino A and Takeyasu K. “Trends in research foci in life science fields over the last 30 years monitored by emerging topics.” ***Scientometrics***, 85, 111-127 (2010)
8. **Ohniwa RL**, Morikawa K, Takeshita SL, Kim J, Ohta T, Wada C and Takeyasu K “Transcription-coupled Nucleoid Architecture in Bacteria.” ***Genes Cells***, 12, 1141-52 (2007)
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10. **Ohniwa RL**, Morikawa K, Kim J, Ohta T, Ishihama A, Wada C and Takeyasu K. “Dynamic state of DNA topology is essential for genome condensation in bacteria.” ***EMBO J***, 25, 5591-5602 (2006)