
LINK-J starts online events and opens a web site for providing COVID-19 information **COVID-19 can't stop Innovation; LINK-J offers new style support to accelerate open innovation**

Life Science Innovation Network Japan (hereinafter referred to as "LINK-J". Headquartered in Nihonbashi Honcho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Chairperson: Hideyuki Okano,) aims to build a platform for “networking community in life sciences”.

LINK-J has opened a “COVID-19 portal site” in late April to share relating scientific information. Meanwhile, LINK-J started online events instead of face-to-face meeting events. We hope to facilitate communication opportunities through the enrichment of online locales.

COVID-19 portal site

Hideyuki Okano, the chairperson of LINK-J, supervised contents of the COVID-19 portal site in LINK-J's official website. <https://www.link-j.org/en/news/post-2727.html>

This portal site offers evidence-based scientific information, what we have to do to go through under this unprecedented challenge of the pandemic. This site shows up-to-date researches and articles; treatment, medicine and vaccines. Furthermore, medical institutions, universities, startups and organizations describe their action against this disaster. We welcome posts of our partner institutions.

COVID-19 portal site



Chairman of the Board
Hideyuki Okano

1. A Message from LINK-J's Chairperson
2. What you can do to protect you and your family from COVID-19
3. Research and Development; medicine and vaccines
 - 3-1. Government support for R&D related to COVID-19
 - 3-2. Development of drugs to treat COVID-19
 - 3-3. Development of vaccines to prevent COVID-19
 - 3-4. Assay techniques and Test Development for COVID-19
4. Major resources for COVID-19 articles
5. LINK-J membership medical institutions, universities and startups in action
6. Others

Online Events

Since 2016, LINK-J has been held varieties of networking events in Tokyo. Networking of people and knowledges is the one of the key factor to facilitate 'Open innovation'. Last year, 2019, over 500 events were taken place in Nihonbashi, Tokyo, place of headquarter of LINK-J. This year, COVID-19 compelled LINK-J to cancel events since late February. In this challenging situation, we have started online seminars as a new vehicle of disseminating information. As of May 11, four online events took place and many plans are in progress.

Some archive video are available for a limited time. <https://www.link-j.org/news/post-2191.html>

Past online events



緊急企画 サポーターと語る会
有事の際の
スタートアップの心得

コロナに
負けない!

TomyK
鎌田 富久

Coral Capital
澤山 陽平

“Talk to LINK-J Supporters: What Startup should be aware under difficult situation” Held April 13 (Mon)
<https://www.link-j.org/event/post-2177.html>



バイオテクノロジーで
新型コロナ肺炎に対抗する
-PCR検査の観点から-

田島 秀二
宮田 満

“Biotechnology fights COVID-19: Perspective from PCR testing” Held April 15 (Wed)
<https://www.link-j.org/event/post-2178.html>



東京大学発スタートアップ最前線
South by Southwest (SXSW) への挑戦

“Frontlines of Startups from University of Tokyo: Challenge to SXSW” Held April 21 (Web)
<https://www.link-j.org/event/post-2182.html>



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web seminar

ライフサイエンス起業塾
~アフターコロナへの挑戦~

スタンフォード大学池野先生による
グローバルライフサイエンス領域の
将来展望と示唆

池野 文昭

“Life Sciences Startup School: Challenge to after coronavirus world” Held April 27 (Mon)
<https://www.link-j.org/event/post-2187.html>

About Life Science Innovation Network Japan (LINK-J)

LINK-J is a general incorporated association established by Mitsui Fudosan and volunteers from industries and academic circles. With its base in the Nihonbashi area, where a number of pharmaceutical companies are clustered,

LINK-J aims to promote open innovation in the life sciences realm through industry-government-academia cooperation and to support the creation of new industries. Across the entire life sciences arena, i.e., the arena where all sciences combine -- ranging from medicine to science and further to engineering and new technologies, such as information and communication technology (ICT) and artificial intelligence (AI) -- it will accelerate interdisciplinary human interaction and technological exchange.

<https://www.link-j.org/en/>