

**Agreement for Joint Graduate School Program  
between  
Stony Brook University, USA  
and  
National Institute for Materials Science, Japan**

The Stony Brook University, the USA (hereinafter referred to as "SBU"), and the National Institute for Materials Science, Japan (hereinafter referred to as "NIMS"), conclude this agreement in order to provide a mechanism to accept PhD students of SBU to NIMS.

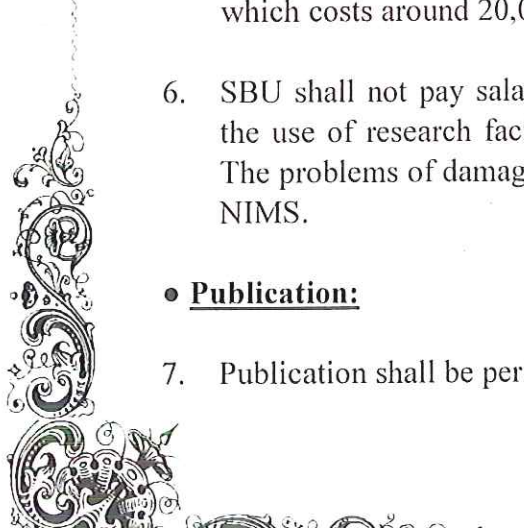
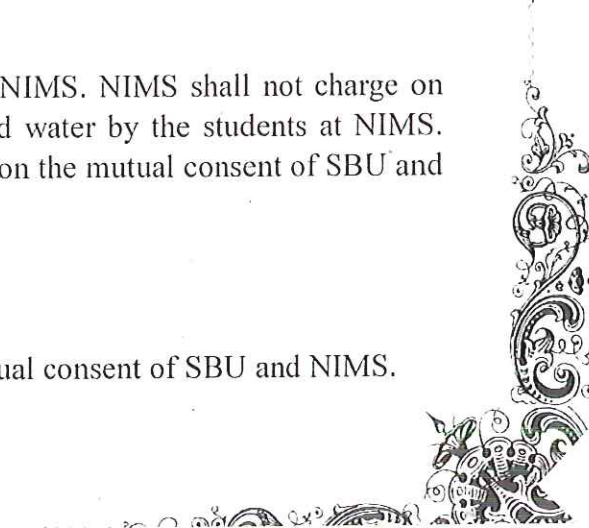
● **Conditions for students of SBU and supervisors of NIMS:**

1. Students must be registered in doctoral program of SBU. NIMS shall decide the admission of the students selected by SBU. The students shall determine their research projects with the guidance of the supervisors of SBU and NIMS.
2. The Supervisors of NIMS must be the permanent researchers of NIMS. The supervisors of NIMS have the honor of being adjunct professors of SBU.
3. In principle, the students shall stay at NIMS for at least 6 months but no more than 12 months.

● **Financial responsibility:**

4. NIMS shall pay to the students travel allowance for one round trip between the USA and NIMS, living allowance in Japan, and research allowance at NIMS. (Living allowance shall be determined by the rules and regulations for students at NIMS.) The students are supposed to live in the Ninomiya House, a dormitory house mainly for foreign visiting researchers working in Tsukuba.
5. SBU shall guide the students to join an insurance plan for accident and health, which costs around 20,000 JPY per year.
6. SBU shall not pay salary to the supervisors of NIMS. NIMS shall not charge on the use of research facilities, electric power and water by the students at NIMS. The problems of damages shall be solved based on the mutual consent of SBU and NIMS.

● **Publication:**

7. Publication shall be performed based on the mutual consent of SBU and NIMS.
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**Commencement of agreement:**

8. The agreement shall be in force for 5 years from the date of its signing. Either institution may terminate the agreement with a 6 month advance written notice. The terms of the agreement may be revised at anytime based on the mutual consent of SBU and NIMS.

Date:

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Aug 21, 2008

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