DESIGNING OUR LANDSCAPE WITH NATURE

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We are studying the theory and technology for landscape conservation and creation. This comprehensive area includes not only academic theory but also technological application and practical proposal. It is important to contribute to the related domains such as park administration, environmental policy, city planning and revegetation projects. The landscapes of our interest are increasingly diversified such as from gardens and parks, with traditional landscape architecture, to urban areas and secondary forests (*satoyama*).

Explore Principles in Environmental Design

We have been studying past and present landscapes (e.g. gardens, *satoyama* or town streets) in order to find design principles of the beauty or amenity, interactions between behaviors and space and relationship to social activities, based on historical, social, psychological and physiological points of view.



Conservation and Wise Use of Nature

We are studying states of wildlife species and habitats in immediate natural environments and consider the future of harmonized landscape with human activities.



Development of Green Technology

We are developing technologies for growing healthy vegetation in severe conditions such as slopes, rooftops and walls and for diagnosing vitality of vegetation based on scientific data and pursuing integration of established vegetation with regional ecosystem.



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