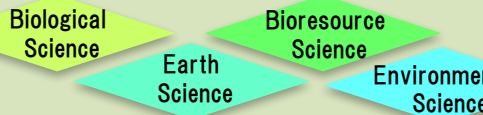


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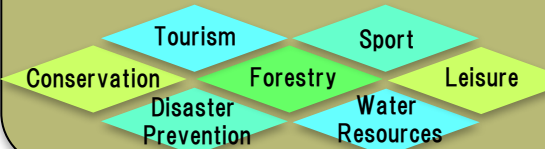
Establishment of Mountain Science

- Various disciplines related to mountains & forests
- Establish mountain science as an integrated science
- Lead mountain science research in Japan & the world



Creation of Mountain Activities

- Revitalise work in mountain areas
- Contribute to the creation of safe and healthy communities



Human Resource Development

- Cooperation of 4 Universities for the Master Degree Program of Mountain Studies
- Nationwide joint-use education base
- Foster human resources able to solve various problems



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Mountain Science Initiative

Strategic development of interdisciplinary and industry-government-academia collaborations, as well as domestic-international joint research

Mountain Nature Unit

Understand the nature of mountains from a biological and earth science perspective.

Mountain Resource Unit

Effective utilization of resources in mountain areas. Pursuing sustainable development of communities in mountain regions.

Featuring 4 field stations: Sugadaira, Yatsugatake, Ikawa, Tsukuba

Covering a wide range of topics: Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Bioresource Studies

Mountain Management Unit

Nature conservation, disaster prevention, global problem solving. Sustainable management of mountain environments.

International Collaboration

- Taiwan National University
- University of Bern (Switzerland)
- MJIT, Forest Research Institute (Malaysia)
- Gadjah Mada University, Bogor Agricultural University (Indonesia)
- Umeå University, Uppsala University (Sweden)
- University of Göttingen, University of Bonn (Germany)
- Colorado State University (USA)

Domestic Collaboration

- Nagoya University, Shinshu University, Shizuoka University, University of Yamanashi, University of Toyama, Gifu University, National Museum of Nature and Science, National Astronomical Observatory of Japan, Forest Research and Management Organization, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Riken, Meteorological Research Institute, National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Prevention, Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan Meteorological Agency, Nagano Prefecture, Ueda City, Minamimaki Village, Kawakami Village, Shizuoka City, JAPIC, Mountain Day Association, Norinchukin Bank, and others.



Sugadaira Research Station



Yatsugatake Forest Station



Ikawa Forest Station



Tsukuba Experimental Forest Station