

■ University Collaborating Institutions

Institution	Mission
Office of Cooperative Research and Development	Promotion of wide-ranging academic research, contribution to the creation of knowledge, and management/utilization of the research results as an university intellectual property are our mission. They contribute to the establishment of mutually beneficial collaboration between industry, academia and government, and the further development of our society as well as support for the creation of new business.
Office for Strategic Promotion of Basic Research	This office supports the advancement of research at the University through strategic and competitive fund-raising. It is also involved in the planning, collecting and disseminating of information within the university.
Center for Research Strategy and Support (CRESS)	To support advancement and the diverse programs aimed towards promoting collaborative and interdisciplinary research of both total and strategic abilities of the university; these supporting programs which CRESS promotes are for the creation of the university's knowledge, its innovations and advantageous processing. CRESS is also active in the support of returning and contributing its achievements to society.
Environment Conservation Research Institute	To protect the environment by the correct disposal of all waste products including wastewater, spent oil and other harmful waste (excluding radioactive waste) resulting from research activities conducted at this university. In addition, to conduct research on the technologies needed to deal with the different types of waste, it also develops technologies free from secondary pollution for the utilization of waste as raw chemical materials.
Center for International Exchange	To promote international exchange, by assisting in the receptions and departures of scholars and students, by supporting the development of international activities and again by assisting foreign scholars and students in their orientation classes on Japan and the Japanese educational system.
Archaeological Research Office on the Campus	Investigate and research archeological findings on campus and plan for their preservation and use.
Global Operations Centre	The aim of this center is assisting the university to become an internationally competitive educational center with world-class research and instruction. To strategically direct the university's international activities and to assure that it is suitably endowed to assume its role as a recognized member of the global academic community.
Campus Planning Office	To conduct surveys and research, accumulate materials and draft proposals relating to the faculty and of the future plans for the Tohoku University campus, and also provide expert support to committees involved in campus planning.

■ Biomedical Engineering Research Organization (TUBERO)

Mission	The aims of TUBERO are to bring together researchers in the fields of medicine and engineering for interdisciplinary work in biomedical engineering, and to establish the new system of personnel training. Twenty-one different research projects which are now being pursued in four different areas: biomaterials science, nanomedicine, biofunctional science, and telecommunications and information technology.
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