

Curriculum Vitae: Akihiko Kanamoto

Nationality: Japan

Executive Summary

- Conducting extensive ecological researches on coelenterates like jellyfish and coral, under the school speciality; especially on factors to start symbiosis of hydroid and snails.
- Conducting environmental assessment extensively at Himeji-Ecotec Co., Ltd. in 1995 to 2001 and Oceanic Planning Corporation in 2001 to 2006.
- Demonstrating strong business management skills by founding the OP Bio Factory Co., Ltd. in 2006.
- Demonstrating strong leadership on the business by experiencing various life phenomenon at micro-environment of ocean in school days and oceanographic survey in working places.
- Accomplishments: establishment of OP Bio Factory business to conduct search of seeds for various industries of pharmaceutical, food cosmetic, chemical, environmental and energy by conducting the collection of various oceanic biological resources (marine organisms, micro-organisms, micro-algae, etc.) and establishing their libraries, which are based on the experience and technologies during the oceanic environmental assessment works.

Employment

2006- President & CEO, OP Bio Factory Co., Ltd., Japan

- Started the business based on the technologies through the experiences at the oceanic environmental assessment companies.
- Have led the establishment of marine biological resources libraries
- Have managed 23 staffs by obtaining business management skills.
- Have controlled fundraising, sales and sampling management in details in addition to the general business management.

1995 - 2001 Director, Oceanic Planning Co., Ltd., Japan

- Established Kyushu branch.
- Performed planning, sales, and oceanic assessment.
- Conducted oceanic environmental assessment throughout Japan from Hokkaido to Okinawa (the northernmost to the southernmost).

- Found the first case of big colony of Aurelia polyps in outdoor conditions in Japan under the search of generation source of Aurelia.

1995 - 2001 Researcher, Himeji Eco- Tec Co., Ltd., Japan

- Performed consulting activities on ocean adherent organisms to cooling water system at power plants.
- Conducted materials search for adherent repellent against ocean adherent organisms.

Education

1993-1995 MSc in Biology, University of Kagoshima, Japan.

1989-1993 BSc in Environmental Biology, University of Kagoshima, Japan.