

## NBRC : NITE Biological Resource Center

The NITE Biological Resource Center (NBRC) was established on April 1 in 2002 under the National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE). The location of NBRC is in Kisarazu city, Chiba Prefecture and their mission is the isolation, identification of microorganisms and preservation of biological resources (microorganisms, DNA clones, culture broths, etc.) in support of biotechnology R&D with the potential of industrialization. Microorganisms are a group of organisms endowed with an abundance of diversity that also have a strong link with human life.

### NBRC Activities

#### Preservation and Distribution of Stock Culture Collection

- Offer microbial culture collection
- Explore and isolate microorganisms
- Improve the quality of cultures/study new methods of Taxonomy

#### Development and Offer of Biological Usefulness for Industry

- Offer microorganisms, culture broths and genes
- Preserve and offer of DNA clones

#### Education and Consultation

- Accept researchers and technicians from all over the world in order to facilitate technology exchange and education
- Offer services for the isolation and identification of microorganisms
- Resource for techniques in taxonomy and cultivation of microorganisms

#### Collaborative Relationships with Foreign Countries

- Make project and material transfer agreements according to the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Utilize the biological resources of foreign countries

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