Prizes and Publications

Prizes

NARO RESEARCH PRIZE 2019

- **Higashide, Ahn and Saito (2019) Growth and yield prediction tool for horticultural crops.**

NARO Research Prize 2019 ▶

Scientific Journals

- Oota *et al.* (2019) Development of Small Automatic Guided Vehicle by Contact Detection to Hydroponics Cultivation System. JARQ **53**(1):31-40
- Oota *et al.* (2019) Development of yield and harvesting time monitoring system for tomato greenhouse production. EAEF **12**(1):40-47
- Mochizuki *et al.* (2019) Application of a Growth Model to Validate the Effects of an Ultrafine-bubble Nutrient Solution on Dry Matter Production and Elongation of Tomato Seedlings. Hort. J. **88**(3): 380–386
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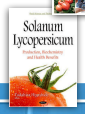
Books

- Nakano *et al.* (2018) Production of environmental control system for ICT agriculture. Seibundo-Shinkousya. (Japanese)



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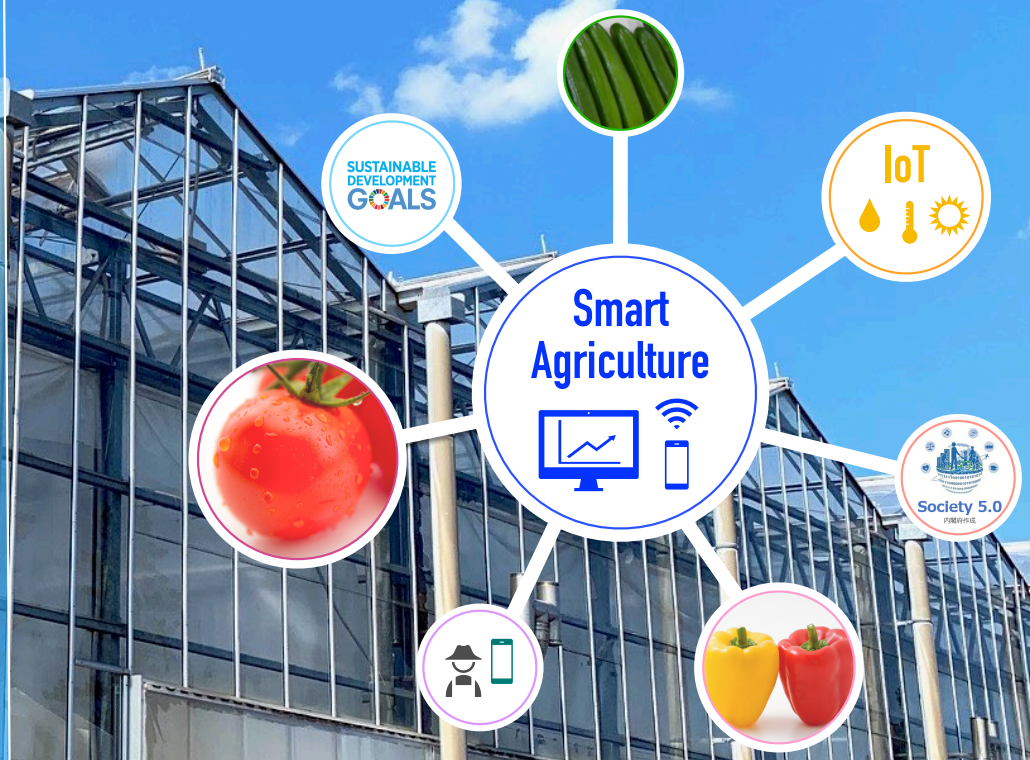
Tsukuba Plant Factory

Advanced Technologies for Smart Greenhouse Production Systems in Japan



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Realization of smart agriculture and integration of advanced technologies to Next-generation horticulture in Japan

1 Welcome to NARO Tsukuba plant factory !

- We aim to contribute to the realization of Japan's world-leading agriculture and Society 5.0 by advancing Japanese horticulture.
  - Our goal is to dramatically increase the yield at the greenhouse and the plant factory in the context of a declining farming population and unprecedented climate change. We are conducting empirical research with the goal of systematizing and disseminating technologies that reduce production costs.
- You can see the introduction movie of Tsukuba plant factory !

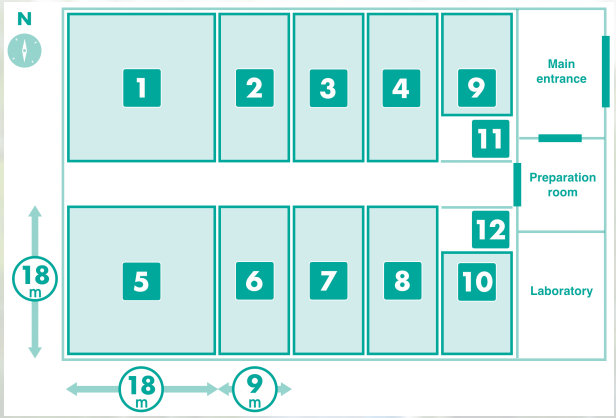
2 Our facilities and equipments

- 63 m wide × 40.5 m long, 5.1 m eave hight
- 2,551 m² in area
- Covering materials
  Side walls: glass; roof: ETFE film (diffused)
- UECS (Ubiquitous Environment Control System)

1 ~ 8
Growing rooms
162 m² : 6 rooms
324 m² : 2 rooms

9 ~ 10
Seedling nursery rooms
108 m² : 2 rooms

11 ~ 12
Artificial light nursing cabinet



3 Overview of our project

Realization of high yield scheme
➡ Advanced technologies + Element integration

Realization of high yield by predicting plant growth

- Develop new varieties 'Ringyoku'
- Achieved annual yield of 55 kg/m2

Development of advanced environmental control system

- UECS
  (Ubiquitous Environment Control System)

Automation and advanced information utilization

- Automation of management system and work management

- Since 2016, we have demonstrated large-scale greenhouses using advanced environmental control by ICT and local resource energy.

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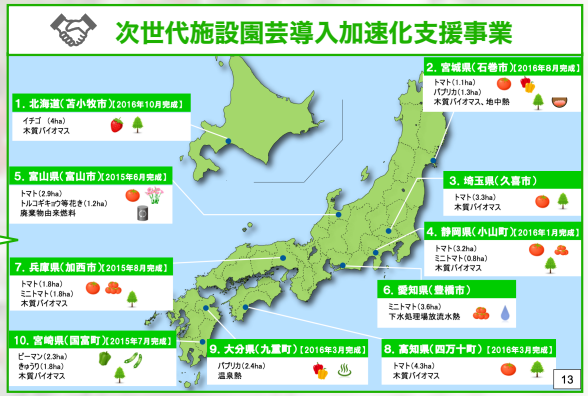

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