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Biography

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1984.3. Graduated from Kyoto University (Department of Polymer Chemistry)

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1989.4. Assistant Prof., Kyoto Institute of Technology (Dept. of Polymer Eng. and Science)

1998.2. Associate Prof., Kyoto Institute of Technology (Dept. of Polymer Eng. and Science)

2010.4. Prof., Kyoto Institute of Technology (Department of Biobased Materials Science)

1986.11. ~ 1987.3. Guest Scientist (National Bureau of Standards, USA)

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1992.3.~1993.1. Sabbatical stay at UC Santa Barbara

2015.5.~2017. 5. President of Kansai Branch, The Society of Rubber Science and Technology, Japan

2017.4. ~ 2018.3. Visiting Professor, Kyoto University (Institute of Chemical Research), Japan

2019.4 ~ present Vice President of The Society of Rubber Science and Technology, Japan

2020.4 ~ present Chief of the Kansai Branch, The Society of Fiber Science and Technology, Japan

Awards

2006.6 Award from The Society of Fiber Science and Technology, Japan (major award)

2006.7 Award from SAS2006 conference (award for the outstanding service)

2011.5.30 8th The CERI Best Presentation Award

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Research Interests and expertise:

Polymer Physics, Synchrotron Small-Angle X-ray Scattering, Small-Angle Neutron Scattering, Pattern Formation, Dissipative Structures in Polymer System (convection), Multiphase Polymeric Materials, Biobased Materials, Structure and Properties Relationship, Small-Angle X-ray Scattering, Polymer Crystallization

Facilities in my laboratory:

Small-Angle X-ray Scattering
Wide-Angle X-ray Scattering
Atomic Force Microscope
Differential Scanning Calorimeter
Digital Microscope
Polarized Optical Microscope / Hot Stage
Stress-Strain Measurement
Surface Tension Measurement
Viscosity Measurement of Liquid Surface / Hot Stage

Number of Refereed Scientific Publications: 202

List of Recent Publications (since 2012)

(1) Original Article

1. Natchamon Sukhonthamethirat, Visit Vao-soongnern, Shigeru Okamoto, Shinichi Sakurai, "The effects of few 1-butene defects on isothermal crystallization of isotactic polypropylene", submitted to Polymer (2021).
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3. Huaizhong Xu, Jie Meng; Francesco Boschetto; Shinichi Yagi; Elia Marin; Tetsuya Adachi; Xuefei Chen; Giuseppe Pezzotti; Shinichi Sakurai; Hideki Yamane, "Design and Manufacturing of 3D High-precision Micro-fibrous Poly (L-lactic acid) Scaffold Using Melt Electrowriting Technique for Bone Tissue Engineering", submitted to Materials & Design (2021).
4. LIN, Shan; OKUDA, Hiroshi; NISHIKAWA, Yukihiro; Sakurai, Shinichi; Kabe, Taizo; Masunaga, Hiroyasu, "Nondestructive nanostructure analysis of Al / Al-Zn interdiffusion layer by quantitative SAXS tomography", submitted to Materials Transactions (2021).
5. Martina Viková, Shinichi Sakurai, Aravin Prince Periyasamy, Hidekazu Yasunaga, Miroslava Pechočiaková, Anna Ujhelyiová and Michal Vik, "DSC / SAXS analysis of UV sensible polypropylene filaments for UV sensors", submitted to Textile Research Journal (2021).
6. Nguyen, Toan; Nagata, Toshiteru ; Noso, Kosei ; Kaji, Kenshiro; Masunaga, Hiroyasu; Hoshino, Taiki; Hikima, Takaaki; Sakurai, Shinichi; Yamamoto, Kenta ; Miura, Yuta ; Aoki, Takashi; Yamane, Hideki; Sasaki, Sono, "Effect of the 3-hydroxyhexanoate Content on Melt-isothermal Crystallization Behavior of Microbial Poly(3-hydroxybutyrate-co-3-hydroxyhexanoate)", submitted to Macromolecules (2021).
7. Bayomi, Rasha, Aoki, Takashi, Sasaki, Sono, Sakurai, Shinichi, "Regular Ordering of Spherical Microdomains in Dewetted Monolayer Islands Induced by Thermal Annealing of Spin-Coated Ultrathin Films of a Triblock Copolymer", *Soft Matter* in press, 2021
8. Kona Mondal, Purabi Bhagabati, Vaibhav V. Goud, Shinichi Sakurai, and Vimal Katiyar, "Utilization of Algae Residue derived Cellulose Nanocrystals: A Study on Crystallization Kinetics of Poly(ϵ -caprolactone) Biocomposites", submitted to Carbohydrate Polymers, 2021
9. Mulchandani, Neha; Masutani, Kazunari; Sakurai, Shinichi; Kimura, Yoshiharu; Katiyar, Vimal, "Acyclic Diene Metathesis Polymerization of a CO₂-Derived Lactone", submitted to Materials Horizons, 2021
10. Mulchandani, Neha; Masutani, Kazunari; Kumar, Sachin; Yamane, Hideki; Sakurai, Shinichi; Kimura, Yoshiharu; Katiyar, Vimal, "Toughened PLA-b-PCL-b-PLA Triblock Copolymer based Biomaterials: Effect of Self-Assembled Nanostructure and Stereocomplexation on the Mechanical Properties", submitted to Polymer Chemistry, 2021
11. Apisit Banpean; Hideaki Takagi; Nobutaka Shimizu; Noriyuki Igarashi; Shinichi Sakurai, "Small- and Wide-Angle X-ray Scattering Studies on Confined Crystallization of Poly(ethylene glycol) in Poly(L-lactic acid) Spherulite in a PLLA/PEG Blend", *Polymer*, 229, 123971 (2021).

12. Amit Kumar Pandey, Hideaki Takagi, Noriyuki Igarashi, Nobutaka Shimizu, Shinichi Sakurai, "Enhanced Formation of Stereocomplex Crystallites in Poly(L-lactic acid)/Poly(D-lactic acid) Blends by Silk Fibroin Nanodisc", *Polymer*, 229, 124001 (2021).
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14. Suzuka Okamoto, Shinichi Sakurai, Kenji Urayama, "Effect of stretching angle on the stress plateau behavior of main-chain liquid crystal elastomers", *Soft Matter*, 17, 3128-3136 (2021).
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17. Kona Mondal, Shinichi Sakurai, Yoko Okahisa, Vaibhav Goud, Vimal Katiyar, "Effect of cellulose nanocrystals derived from *Dunalienella tertiolecta* marine green algae residue on crystallization behaviour of poly(lactic acid)", *Carbohydrate Polymers*, 261, 117881 (2021).
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21. Mitsuhiro Morisue, Genki Saito, Daiki Sasada, Tomokazu Umeyama, Hiroshi Imahori, Koji Mitamura, Hiroyasu Masunaga, Taiki Hoshino, Shinichi Sakurai, Sono Sasaki, "Glassy Porphyrin/C₆₀ Composites: Morphological Engineering of C₆₀ Fullerene with Liquefied Porphyrins", *Langmuir* 36, 13583-13590 (2020).
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