



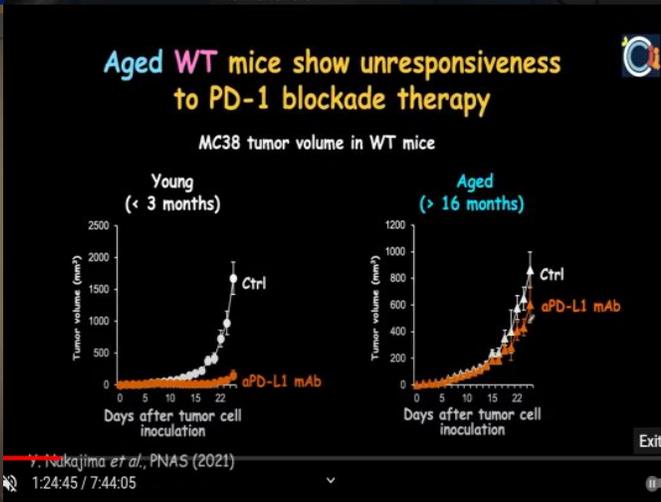
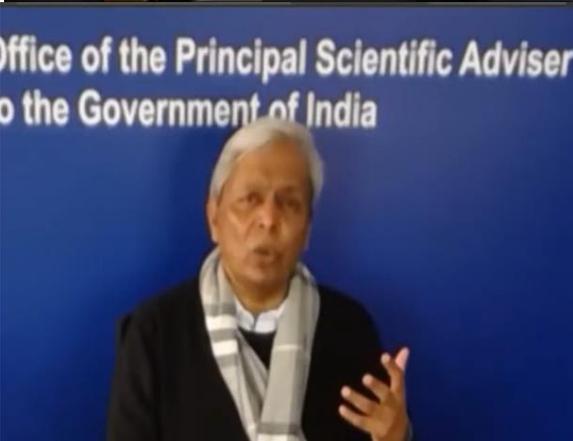
Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology (Dept. of Science and Technology, Govt. of India) and Indian JSPS Alumni Association (IJAA) jointly organized the 'Nobel Laureate S&T Seminar Series' sponsored by Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) and supported by Embassy of India, Japan in co-association with DST- India and JST-Japan, on 6-7 December 2021 at AMC Auditorium, SCTIMT. The seminar series commemorated the 70th anniversary of India Japan diplomatic relations and the 75th anniversary of Indian Independence, '*Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav*'.

H.E. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Verma, Ambassador of India to Japan and H.E. Mr. Suzuki Satoshi, Ambassador of Japan to India, co-inaugurated the webinar and urged the scientific community & innovators to work together to find solutions for problems that we are facing through co-innovation, co-promotion, & co-creation during their inaugural address. Dr. M. Ravichandran, the Secretary of DST, commented that collaborations between India and Japan should be directed towards creating a value-based relationship that can contribute to the knowledge economy. Dr. Susumu Satomi, President of The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science and Dr. Kishi Teruo, Director General, Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), briefed about the Indo-Japan relationship and its influence in the recent technology developments.

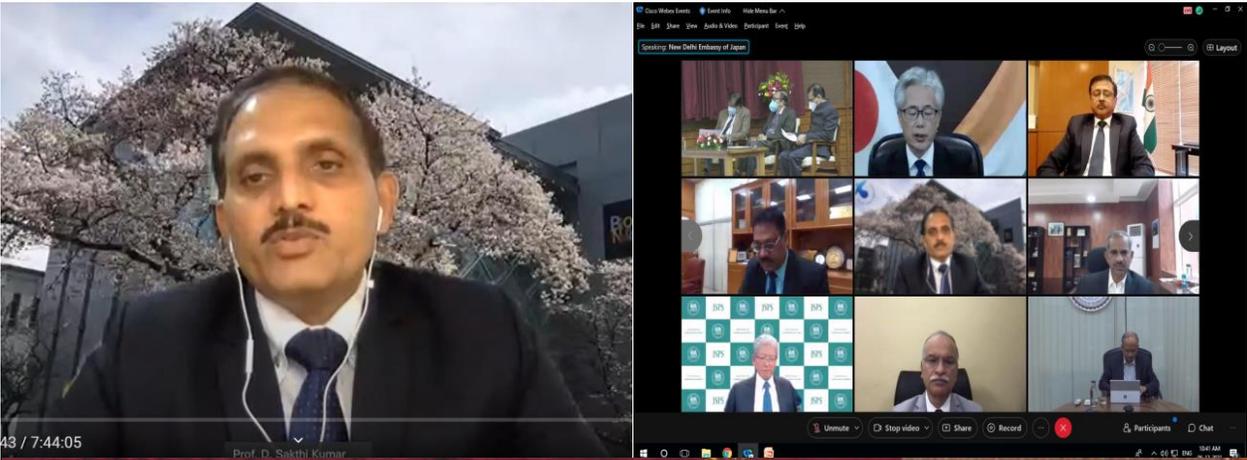
Prof. Tasuku Honjo and Prof. K. VijayRaghavan delivered keynote lectures during the seminar series. Prof. Honjo, the Nobel Laureate (Physiology or Medicine 2018), spoke about the future perspective of cancer immunotherapy. He explained the role of PD-1 in cancer development and anti-PD-1 treatment as a possible solution for cancer therapy and described cancer risk factors such as ageing. Prof. VijayRaghavan, the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India, explained the importance of artificial intelligence and innovative ideas in emerging fields such as machine learning, computer science etc. Moreover, he also highlighted the need for student exchange and individual collaboration between India and Japan to build the scientific foundation and the importance of collaborative missions between two countries to address the demands of the entire planet and region.

The hybrid webinar discussed the recent trends and prospects in Science and Technology related topics. The online sessions included keynote presentations, special addresses, invited talks, plenary lectures from renowned scientists across India and Japan, and student poster presentations. The Nobel Laureate S&T Seminar was broadcasted in 10 schools across the state, from Kasargod to Trivandrum, in association with Kerala Academy of Sciences.

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