



**Date and Venue**

14:00-, March 19 (Mon), 2018  
 Oe Campus of Kumamoto University  
 (Tamokuteki hall)  
 Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences  
 Kumamoto University  
 5-1 Oe-Honmachi, Chuo-ku, Kumamoto 862-0973, Japan

**Organized by**

Kumamoto University  
 Kumamoto Prefecture

**Invited Guests' Countries**

Japan, U.S.A., Italy, Malaysia,  
 Cambodia, Bhutan, Nepal,  
 Turkey, Myanmar, Sudan,  
 Thailand, Solomon Islands



# Kick-off Symposium on Useful and Unique Natural Products for Drug Discovery and Development (UpRod)

— Program for Building Regional Innovation Ecosystems in Kumamoto University —



## Sessions and Speakers

**Opening remarks**

Shinji Harada (President, Kumamoto Univ.)  
 Tatsuke Ono (Vice Governor, Kumamoto Prefecture)

**Business overview**

Masahiko Kikuchi (Executive Producer, UpRod program in Kumamoto University)  
 Hirofumi Kai (Executive Vice Producer, UpRod program in Kumamoto University)

**Plenary lecture**

Tatsuya Kondo (Chief Executive, Pharmaceuticals and Devices Agency (PMDA))

**Congratulatory speeches** -Video message-

Shinya Yamanaka (Director, Center for iPS cell Research and Application (CiRA), Kyoto Univ)