# Division of Biomaterials and Bioengineering Department of Oral Rehabilitation

#### Outline

Main research focus in our department is to develop novel biomaterials and biodevices for improving the health of patients with oral and craniofacial diseases. Especially, we are investigating the surface modifications of medical and dental devices to enhance cell and tissue compatibility, and also to provide the surface with an antibacterial property using various chemical, biochemical, and physical methods. We encourage an open laboratory concept. All facilities (XPS, micro-XRD, laser-Raman, FT-IR, SEM/EDX, SPM, ICP-AES, EIS, QCM, etc.) and equipments are available for use by all researchers and graduate students in Health Sciences University of Hokkaido. Our research interests are shown below.

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## Main research in progress

- 1) Chemical and physical modifications of implant surfaces for promoting desirable cell and tissue responses
- 2) Improvement of sealing and handling properties of endodontic treatment materials including MTA
- 3) Application of electrochemical techniques for evaluating the corrosion resistance of metallic biomaterials
- 4) Physico-chemical analyses of attached functional molecules on the biomaterials surface
- 5) Development of a novel medical acrylic resin coupled with biopolymers
- 6) Development of antibacterial titanium alloys for dental applications

#### **Apparatus for instrumental analyses**



#### **Current publications**

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- \*Muguruma T, Iijima M, Nagano-Takebe F, Endo K, Mizoguchi I. Frictional properties and characterization of a diamond-like carbon coating formed on orthodontic stainless steel. J Biomater Tissu Eng 7, 119-126, 2017.