



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY

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To whomever it may concern:

This document is to confirm that Regional Student Group – Japan is an officially recognized affiliate of the Student Council of the International Society for Computational Biology. All members of the proposed leadership board have been confirmed as ISCB members as required by resolution of the ISCB Board of Directors.

This recognition is provided for a period of 12 months, beginning 1st August, 2009. At the end of this 'affiliation period' recognition of this Regional Student Group (RSG) will be reviewed on the basis of an annual status report from the RSG that provides updates on the current leaders, faculty advisor and accomplishments during the preceding year and plans for the coming year. Recognition will be renewed at this time if the status report is found satisfactory. At the time of the current recognition RSG – Japan is functioning under the leadership of

President: *Akihiro Mori, Graduate University of Advanced Studies, Mishima, Japan*

Secretary: *Wataru Iwasaki, Univ. Tokyo, Kishawa, Japan*

Faculty Advisor: *Masanori Arita, University of Tokyo, Japan*

The mission of the ISCB Student Council is to promote the development of the next generation of computational biologists all over the world. Toward that end, the motivation of establishing the ISCB Student Council Regional Student Groups program was to conduct events and provide activities that are beneficial to the professional development of bioinformatics/computational biology students within their local communities.

RSG-Japan has hence been tasked with actively working for the development of its regional bioinformatics/computational biology student community by conducting workshops, contests or lectures, arranging networking events to improve ties within the community and interaction with Industry, Academia and other stakeholders in the bioinformatics/computational biology community. We encourage the support and aid of RSG-in its efforts to accomplish these tasks.

For any questions about Regional Student Group - Japan, you may contact the group's President at rsg-japan@iscbsc.org or the RSG Committee Chair at rsg@iscbsc.org.

Sincerely,

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