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Development of Eco-materials from Viet nam-indigenous plant or microorganism

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In order to solve the environmental problems such as global warming, extraordinal living systems, desertification, extreme event, endocrine disrupters, and salt damage, we must develop the new-functional eco-materials. Since environmentally-circulating conventional materials such as poly(lactic acid)s have insufficient thermostability, mechanical modulus, or strength, their application is restricted. In this project, we aimed at development of environmentally -circulating materials with high performance by polymerization of pai-electronic molecules and by modification of biologically-derived macromolecules.

We have already developed the high-performance polymers and functional new biopolymers. However the Japan-indigenous microorganism and plants were not so abundant. Then we expect the Viet nam-indigenous microorganism and plants existing abundantly under the strong sunlight. If the Viet nam group find and send us the Viet nam-indigenous microorganisms or plants, we can extract some functional matters. Otherwise, if the Viet nam group takes out some multifunctional monomers, we can prepare the high-performance polymers from them. There are remained a number of environmentally-toxic materials in the current earth, we must develop the substitutes with all the toxic materials for the future human beings.

The first target is the automobile materials whose recycling is strongly required. We have many second targets which are not shown in this stage.