

**AGC determines the research themes for “the Sixth AGC Research Collaboration Program
(Publicly-solicited Industry-Academia Joint Study Program)”**

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AGC (Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.; Head Office: Tokyo; President & CEO: Kazuhiko Ishimura) introduced in 2004 a joint study program (AGC Research Collaboration Program) to collaborate with bodies such as universities or public research institutions, which are solicited publicly based on the Company’s own needs and seeds. In 2009, AGC made public solicitation with 9 topics related to the environment, glass and fluorine chemical fields and selected one theme among 28 entries as joint research themes related to “Surface functionalization by the glass surface processing technology” for the Sixth AGC Research Collaboration Program. In addition, we chose ten themes as research support themes from among those which were not selected as joint research themes.

1. Joint Research Theme

“Development of nanostructure formation technology using imprint method” by Mr. Junji Nishii, Professor of Research Institute for Electronic Science of Hokkaido University and Mr. Kenji Harada, Associate Professor of Department of Computer Science of Kitami Institute of Technology

To support the above-mentioned joint research theme, AGC will provide the research materials, as well as research funding of about 20 million yen annually for up to three years.

2. Research Support Themes

In addition to the above, AGC selected research support themes among those which were not chosen as a joint research theme. The details of research support and the names of organizations, which the relevant applicants belong to, are as follows:

- Provision of research fund (500,000 to 1,000,000 yen per project as scholarship endowment; research materials may be provided separately)
Tohoku University, Kanazawa University, Toyohashi University of Technology, Yamaguchi University,
Okayama University, Saitama University, The University of Tokyo, University of Hyogo, University of Tsukuba
- Provision of research materials
The University of Tokyo

AGC will proactively utilize the results obtained through joint research internally and create new businesses and products on an ongoing basis. We will continue to implement this program in 2010 in order to extensively promote the creation of values through collaboration between industry and academia in the future.

Reference

- For the guidelines of application for the AGC Research Collaboration Program for 2009, please access http://www.agc.co.jp/collaboration/index_2009.html (Japanese Only)
- Guidelines of application for the AGC Research Collaboration Program for 2010 will be released after May 2010.

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