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Research Stars Will Illumine Medicine, Science and Energy at UC San Diego-Kyoto University Symposium

Two of the world's preeminent research universities will co-host Nobel Prize laureates and other academic and research luminaries when UC San Diego and Kyoto University hold their March 14-15 Joint Symposium on the La Jolla campus.

The Nobel laureates, Roger Tsien of UC San Diego and Shinya Yamanaka of Kyoto University, will keynote six leadership speeches and three breakout sessions focused on regenerative medicine and biology; cancer and drug development; and advanced energy research.

Tsien will also deliver the keynote lecture for the cancer and drugdevelopment sessions, and Yamanaka will deliver the keynote lecture for the regenerative medicine and biology sessions.



Roger Tsien

"The second UC San Diego-Kyoto University Joint Symposium will feature some of the most insightful and thought-provoking scholars and scientists of the Pacific Rim," said Sandra Brown, Vice Chancellor for Research at UC San Diego. "We are establishing the foundation of productive, long-term, international collaborations."

University leaders speaking at the symposium include UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep Khosla; Vice Chancellor Brown; and Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences David Brenner.

Kyoto University is represented by Executive Vice President for Research Nagahiro Minato and Executive Vice President Kayo Inaba.

Researchers and faculty members from the American and Japanese universities will participate in the three breakout sessions. Both UC San Diego and Kyoto University are doing ground-breaking work in regenerative medicine, biology, cancer treatment, drug development, and energy research, and a key



Shinya Yamanaka

goal of the symposium is to strengthen current collaborations and spark future ones with paired presentations.

Registration is open to UC San Diego faculty, staff and students, as well as members of the regional research community. Sign up, and learn more about the symposium, <u>here.</u>

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