

The Society for Biotechnology, Japan (SBJ) and **Biochemical Engineering Society of Taiwan** (BEST) signed an MOU in 2017 and have deepened exchanges between the two societies and their members through annual conferences.

The 29th BEST Conference & International Symposium on Biotechnology and Biochemical Engineering was held at the National Penghu University of Science and Technology from June 21 to 23, 2024. Under the conference theme "Advancement in Sustainable Innovation: Integrating AI, Biotechnology, and Zero-Carbon for the Future," twenty-six researchers from the U.S., Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, and Japan gave lectures in eight sessions.

From the SBJ, Prof. Hideo Nakano (Nagoya University) gave an invited lecture in the "Metabolic Engineering and Synthetic Biology" session, and Prof. Kosuke Honda (Osaka University) gave an invited lecture in the "Biocatalysts and Protein Engineering" session on June 22, 2024.



Prof. Kohsuke Honda



Prof. Hideo Nakano



From the left, Prof. Chuenchit Boonchird (President of the Thai Society for Biotechnology; TSB)  
Prof. Honda, Prof. Nakano,  
Prof. Yu-Kaung Chang (BEST President),  
Prof. I-Song Ng (National Cheng Kung University)