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SESSION 6

**Business Opportunity** and

Human Resource Development in Asia

#### business and the ties that bind us all

- how can science help? -

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# the ties that bind -challenges for sustainable management-

#### Common concerns

- Stewardship of the Earth's Environment
- Caring for the Human Condition
- Managing "Mega-Infrastructure Systems"
- Contributing to Global Peace and Prosperity
- Shaping a New World Order

#### Directions for the Asia Pacific era

- Managing Diversity: Promoting Inclusion
- Nurturing Creativity: Harnessing Technology and Design
- Mitigating Risks: Reviewing the Role of the Real Economy

# business and science -an introduction-

#### 3 simple questions

- What do we have?
- What do we lack?
- What can we do?

#### Directions for Asian science

- Promoting Science and Technology Innovation
  - (a) "End of Pipe" (EoP) type technologies
  - (b) "Stuff out of the Blue" (SoB) type technologies
- Integration: Devices into Systems, Knowledge into Wisdom
- Strengthening Asia's Science Infrastructure

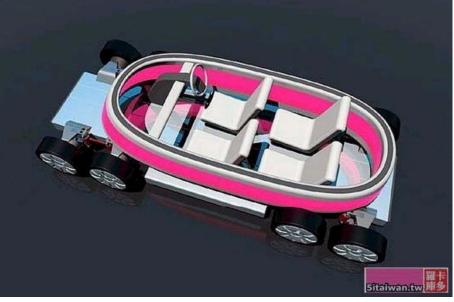
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End-of-Pipe type



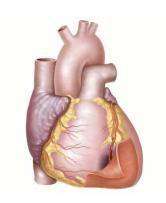




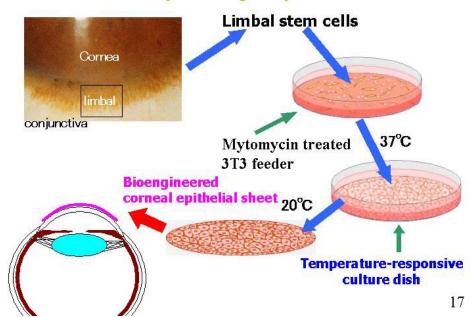


## japanese science -contributions that inspire...(2)-

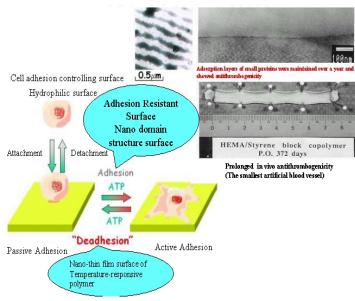
## Stuff-out-of-the-Blue type



Transplantation of Cultivated corneal epithelial sheet harvested by reducing temperature treatment

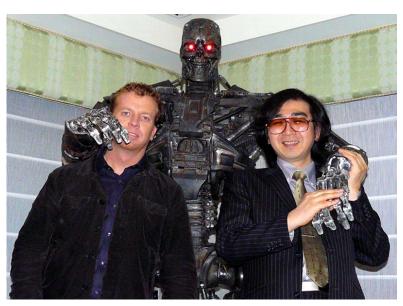


#### Nano-Bio Interface



# japanese science -contributions that inspire...(3)-

Stuff-out-of-the-Blue type





## Integration

#### -devices into systems, knowledge into wisdom-

- Adaptation to Climate Change
  - How does climate change affect the taste of wine?
  - Applications beyond grapes and wine
- Dealing with Emerging/Established Diseases
  - MEDSYN Asia:
    - (a) Gastro-esophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)
    - (b) Stroke

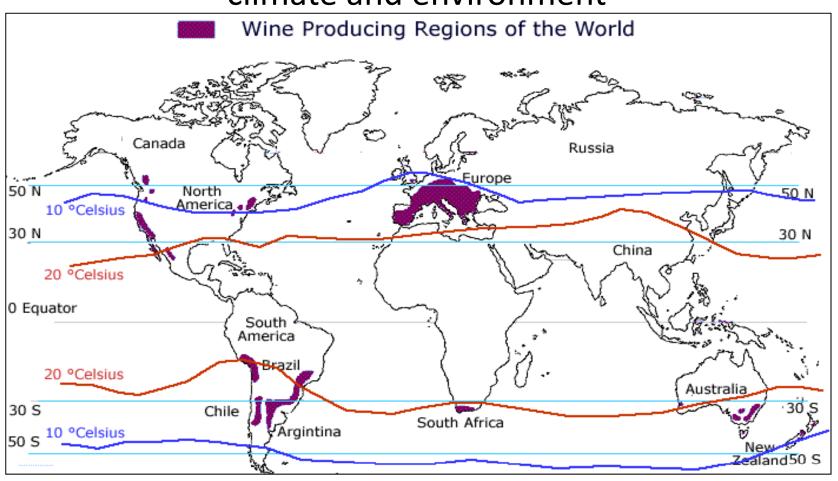
## adaptation to climate change

It all began in 2007 with a question: "What makes a good year for wine?"



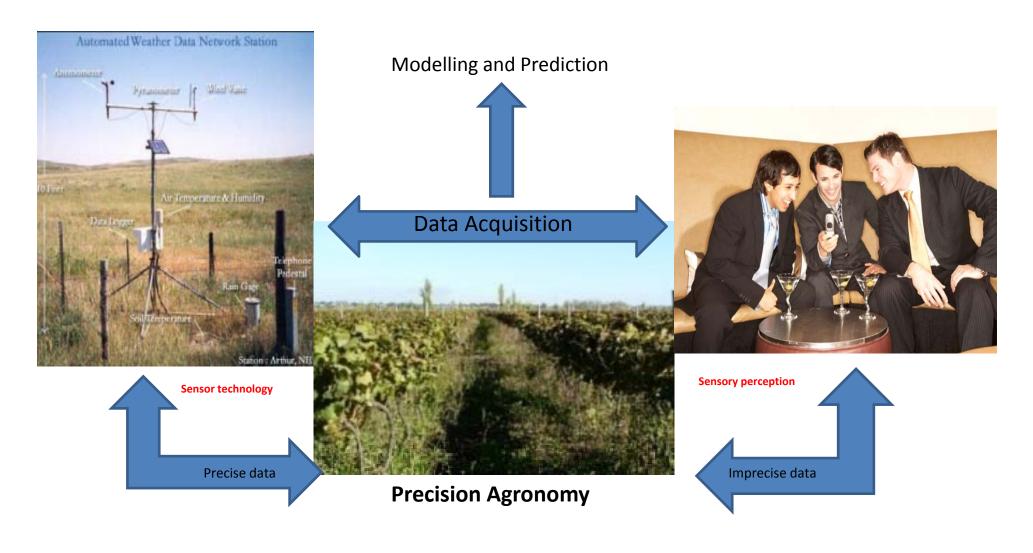
## investigating grape and wine

characteristics relating to location, growing conditions, climate and environment



## looking at agro-forestry transformations

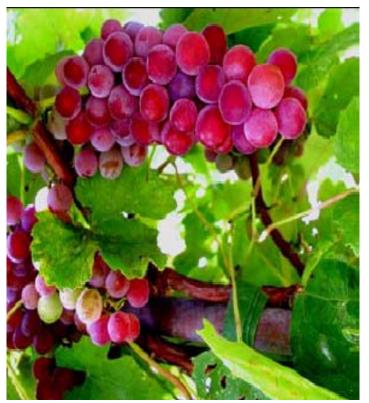
How does climate change affect the taste of wine?



## traditional adaptation in the terroirs

four main variables for good grape growth to make great wine

- Soil
- Climate
- Variety
- Terrain



Numerous correlated sub-variables, implicit knowledge, which constitute a complex matrix of environmental factors

### the matrix

#### database of key indicators

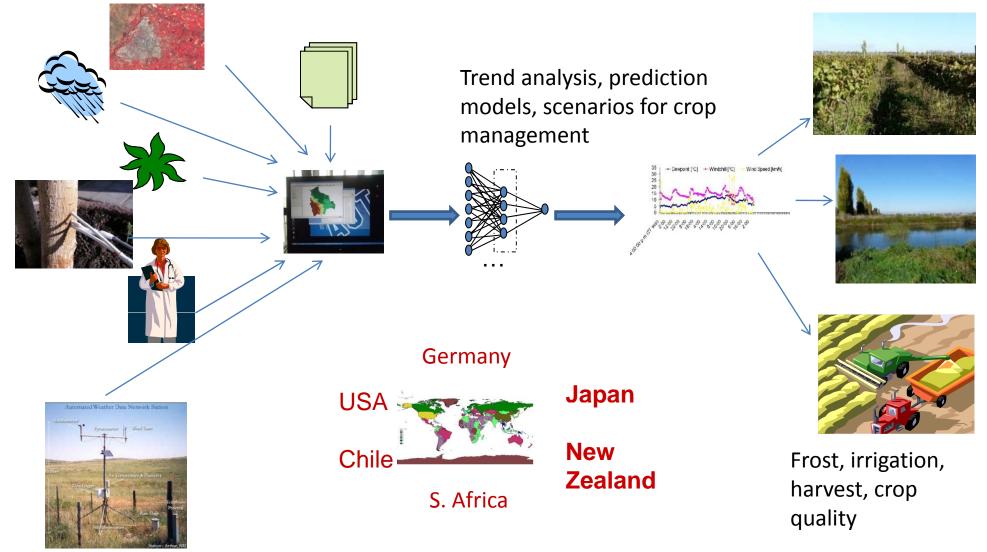
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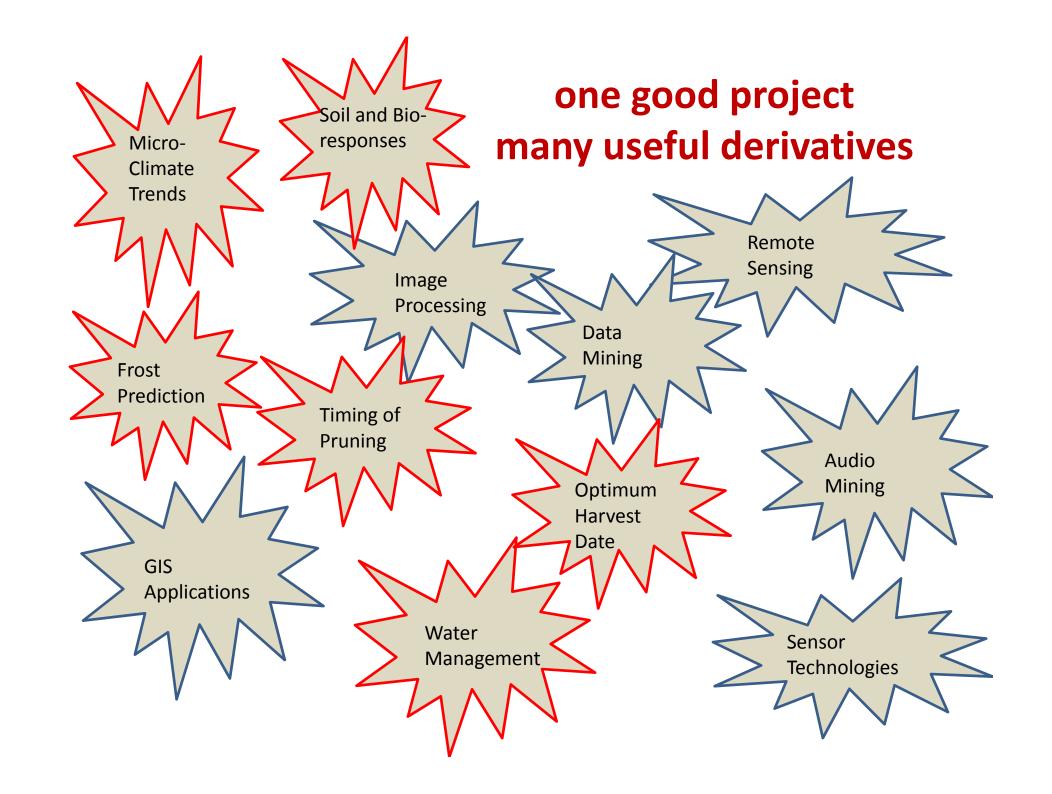
#### **Vector data**

Temperature	°C
Wind Speed	km/hr
Wind Direction	Ddd
Wind Chill	°C
Humidity	%
Dewpoint	οС
Solar Radiation (Pyrheliometer for Photsynthetic Light Measurement)	umol/m²/sec
Pollution factors (CO <sub>2</sub> )	%
Rainfall	mm
Barometric Pressure	hpa
Soil Moisture	%
Soil Temperature	°C
Leaf Wetness	%
Sap Flow (volume and speed)	Ltrs/min
Plant growth Rate (Dendrometer)	%
Chemical composition analysis (Chromatographer)	%

Data gathered by sensors & uploaded to GRC server in real time

# transforming local knowledge into global actions





### asia's intellectual infrastructure

## business as a powerful advocate universities as crucibles of change

#### Disseminating Research Outputs

- Journals of the stature of SCIENCE and NATURE
- Harnessing ICT (eg: TED Talks)

#### Enhancing Professional Mobility

- Mutual recognition of professional qualifications
- Visas and other impediments to travel

#### Creating Exemplars

- Harnessing local initiatives for solving global issues
- Bringing people together

## can universities really help?

- the case of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University-

- The first ten years (2000-2010)
  - Investment and impact
  - Challenges for the local region
- The next ten years (-2020)
  - A Silicon Valley in Japan's Silicon Island
  - The Digital Discoveries Collaboratory

### The Digital Discoveries Collaboratory

Sowing the seeds of a Silicon Valley phenomenon





