

Report on Study Tour of Osaka Life Science Industry



The Osaka Business and Investment Center (O-BIC) held a study tour of Osaka's Life Science Industry on September 29 for foreign diplomatic offices and economic organizations. Fifteen people participated in the study tour from 10 countries and regions.

The tour members first visited Saito Life Science Park. After receiving explanations from the Life Sciences Industry Division, Osaka Prefectural Government on the dynamism of the Northern Osaka Bio Medical Cluster and of Osaka's Life Science Industry, and from the Saito (International Culture Park) Promotion Council on an outline of Saito projects, the tour members went on study tours at the National Institute of Biomedical Innovation's facilities, and through the Life Science Park by bus.

In the afternoon, the members visited the National Cerebral and Cardiovascular Center, and took a study tour of a training facility on medical equipment and for animal experimentation and received an explanation from Deputy Director Yoshiyuki Taenaka of the Research Institute, National Cerebral and Cardiovascular Center on the Center's activities.

During the study tour, opinions were actively exchanged in every location, and participants rated this tour highly, saying that they surely hope to seek cooperation with Osaka in the Life Science field.

<EVENT OVERVIEW>

DATE & TIME: Monday, September 29th, 2014, 11:00 - 17:30

HOST: Osaka Business & Investment Center (O-BIC; Run by the Osaka Prefecture, Osaka City, and the Osaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry)

- ◆ Lecture and Inspection of the National Institute of Biomedical Innovation (NIBIO)
 - Welcoming address by Mr. Makoto Hirose, NIBIO
 - "Introduction of the situation of Osaka's life science industry and the Northern Osaka Bio Medical Cluster"
Ms. Mayuko Nagano, Chief Senior Staff, Life Sciences Industry Division, Osaka Prefectural Government
 - "Introduction of Saito and the Saito Life Science Park"
Mr. Takuzo Ishii, General Manager, Saito (International Culture Park) Promotion Council
 - "Introduction of the NIBIO"



- ◆ Inspection of the Saito Life Science Park from bus
- ◆ Inspection of the National Cerebral and Cardiovascular Center (NCVC)
 - Inspection of Training Center and Animal Experiment Laboratory
 - Lecture by Mr. Yoshiyuki Taenaka, Deputy Director of the NCVC Research Institute

