

Researcher Invitation Program

	Country	Organization	Name / Position	Accepting organization	Period	Theme
1	Iran	National Iranian Oil Refining and Distribution Company (NIORDC)	Mr. Kamran Jahangiri Babadi, Head of Process Engineering, Directorate of Production Supervision & Coordination	· Cosmo Oil Co., Ltd., Research & Development Center	Sep. 22 -Oct. 15	· Heavy oil Upgrading (Bottom of the Barrel) in refineries · Catalysts of oil refineries · New technologies in oil refining processes
2	Saudi Arabia	Saudi Aramco R&D Center	Mr. Ibrahim AlZahrani, Science Scientist, Technical Services Division	· JGC Catalysts and Chemicals Ltd. · Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST) · Yokohama University · Hokkaido University	Sep. 24 -Oct. 31	· Search for collaborative research candidates with Aramco in the future on catalysts and materials.
3	Vietnam	Vietnam Petroleum Institute (VPI)	Dr. Nguyen Manh Huan, Project Manager, Petrochemical Technology Dept.	· JXTG Nippon Oil & Energy Corporation, Central Technical Research Laboratory	Oct. 22 -Nov. 16	· petroleum refining technologies and related catalyst development
4	UAE	ADNOC Refining Research Center (ARRC)	Mr. Abdulmajeed Saleh Rabia Bader Alkatheeri, Senior Research Engineer, ADNOC Refining Research Center/Experimental R & D	· Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd., Technology & Engineering Center · JGC Catalysts and Chemicals Ltd. · Shinshu University	Oct. 30 -Nov. 28	· Petroleum refining technology and related catalyst development (RFCC catalyst, Hydroprocessing catalyst for Atmospheric residue hydrotreating catalyst, PETROLEOMICS)