## Collaborative Activities with Joint Usage / Research Center Domestic Institutions

## NIBB Signs Agreement of Cooperation with Institute of Low Temperature Science, Hokkaido University (ILTS)

NIBB has signed an agreement with the Institute of Low Temperature Science, Hokkaido University (ILTS) aimed at promoting collaboration and cooperation between these two institutions. A signing ceremony was held at NIBB on December 9, 2019.

NIBB researchers and ILTS researchers have been working together on several collaborative projects, NIBB and ILTS have been engaged in cooperative and collaborative research activities within their respective standard operations for some time, and both institute NIBB and ILTS aim to further develop research in the field of low-temperature science and basic biology with the signing of this agreement.



Dr. Kiyokazu Agata, the Director General of NIBB, and Dr. Manabu Fukui, the Director of ILTS, signing the agreement.

Following the signing ceremony, the Director of ILTS, Prof. Manabu Fukui, provided an outline of ILTS. Additionally, Prof. Fukui and Prof. Yoshifumi Yamaguchi of ILTS gave seminars concerning their research project. The signing ceremony and seminars were attended by a large number of NIBB members, and provided an opportunity for friendly exchanges to occur which will hopefully promote further cooperation and collaboration.

## **NIBB Priority Collaborative Research Projects**

 Molecular and physiological mechanisms for understanding mammalian hibernation and their comparative analysis among species

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