## Distinguished Professor Susumu Kitagawa Biography



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Susumu Kitagawa received his Ph. D. at Kyoto University and is now Distinguished Professor of Kyoto University, and Director of Institute for Integrated Cell-Material Sciences (WPI-iCeMS) at Kyoto University.

His main research fields are coordination chemistry, in particular, chemistry of coordination space, and his current research interests are centered on synthesis and properties of porous coordination polymers (PCPs) /metal-organic frameworks (MOFs).

Kitagawa was the first to demonstrate "porosity" for coordination networks with gas sorption experiments (1997). He pioneered a new type of MOFs with structural flexibility and coined soft porous crystals for them, which show unique porous properties dissimilar to those of conventional porous materials.

To date, MOFs are classified as a new category of porous materials, as opposed to the conventional classifications of inorganic and carbon materials.

## Awards:

2017	Chemistry for the Future Solvay Prize
2017	2017 Clarivate Analytics Highly Cited Researcher
2017	The 58 <sup>th</sup> Fujihara Award
2016	1st Air Liquide Awards on Essential Small Molecules 2016
2016	<b>2016 Fred Basolo Medal for Outstanding Research in Inorganic</b> <b>Chemistry</b> <i>Northwestern University</i>
2016	2016 Clarivate Analytics Highly Cited Researcher
2016	2016 Japan Academy Prize
2015	2015 Thomson Reuters Highly Cited Researcher
2014	2014 Thomson Reuters Highly Cited Researcher
2013	<b>The de Gennes Prize</b> <i>Royal Society of Chemistry</i>
2010	Thomson Reuters Citation Laureate (Chemistry)