

ANNEX 2: List of Products

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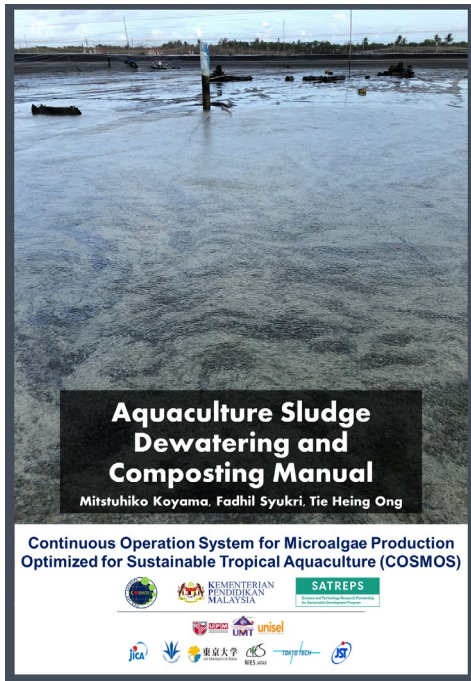
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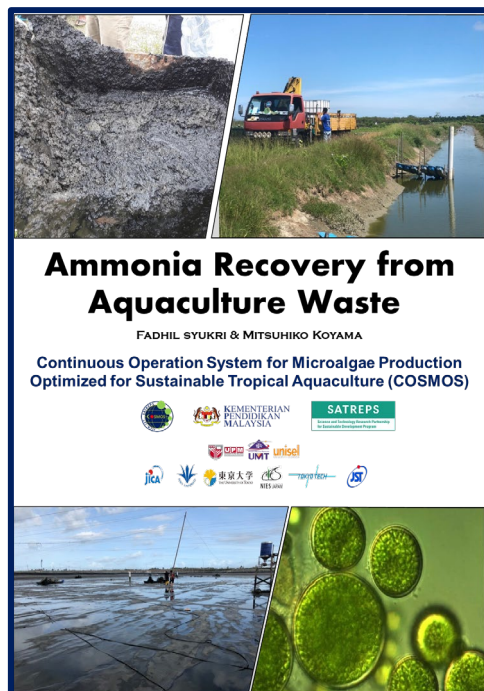
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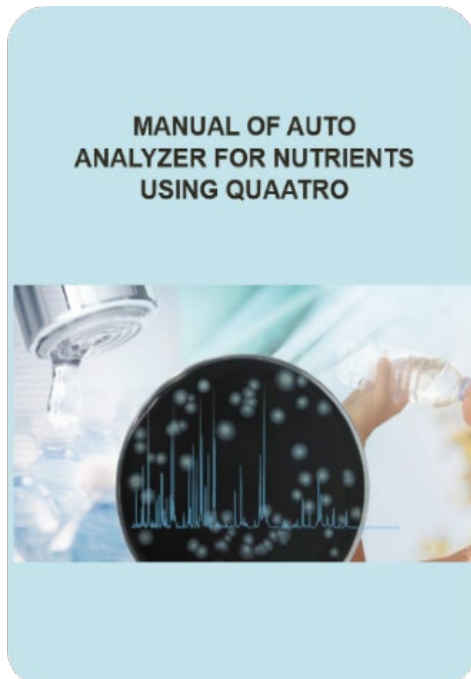
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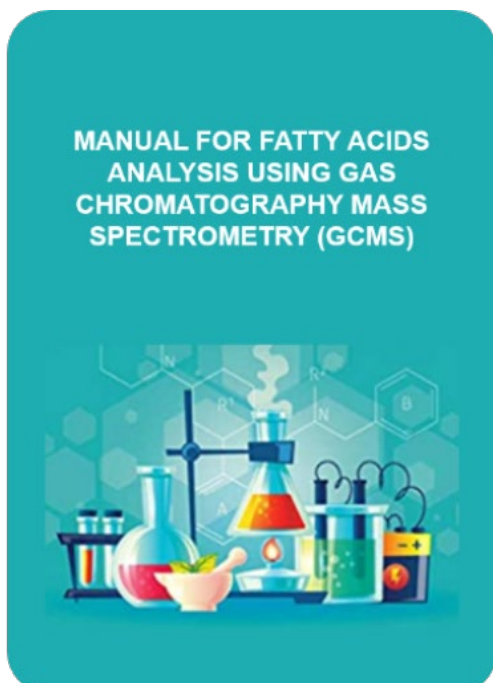
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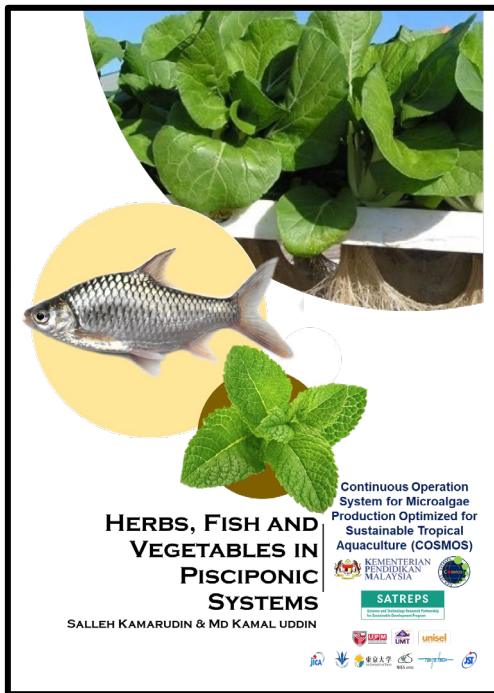
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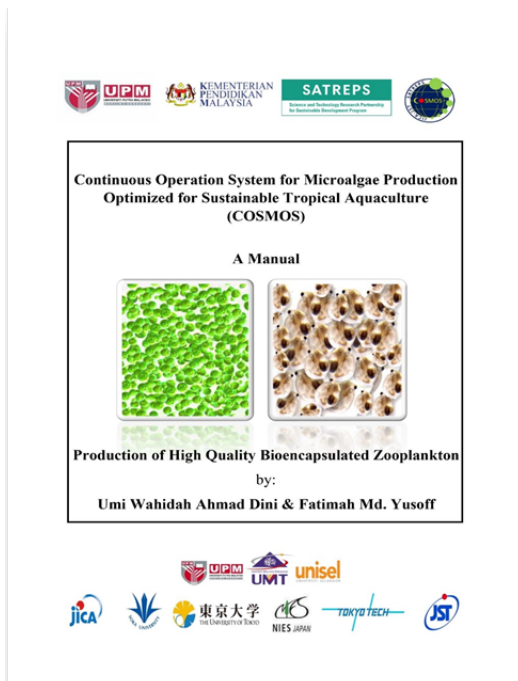
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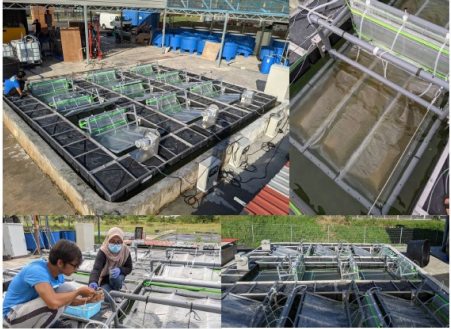
    

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Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

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Version 0

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Dated September 30, 2016

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Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions


Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
<p>Overall Goal Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.</p>	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	<p>Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions</p>	<p>Market demand for useful compounds is maintained</p>		
<p>Project Purpose An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		
<p>Outputs 1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined. 2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).</p>	<p>1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.</p>	<p>1. Project report and publication 2. Project report and publication</p>	<p>Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.</p>		<p>UMT has conducted preliminary sampling at Kenyir Lake and Setiu Wetland.</p>

3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication			NIES is designing the fractionation system of dissolved organic matter for soil and sludge extracts.
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication			UPM and SU student have been conducted continuous test operation system of microalgae production using a pilot scale photobioreactor for 3 months.
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication			TIT started preliminary experiments for nutrient recovery.
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication			

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions	Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments 	Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed 	Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		<Issues and countermeasures> None
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.			
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.			
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.			

Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Version 2

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Dated: March 31, 2017

Implementing Institutions (Japanese side): Soka University (SU), The University of Tokyo (UT), Tokyo Institute of Technology (TITech), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions


Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
<p>Overall Goal Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.</p>	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	<p>Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions</p>	<p>Market demand for useful compounds is maintained</p>		
<p>Project Purpose An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		
<p>Outputs 1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined. 2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).</p>	<p>1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.</p>	<p>1. Project report and publication 2. Project report and publication</p>	<p>Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.</p>		<p>Utokyo has conducted sampling in Selangor and Kuala Terengganu.</p>

3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication			NIES has installed the fractionation system of dissolved organic matter for soil and sludge extracts. UNISEL has conducted sampling in several locations.
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication			SU has been prospecting materials for functional bag bioreactor.
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication			TIT has been conducted preliminary experiments for nutrient recovery.
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication			

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments 	Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed 	Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		<Issues and countermeasures> None
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.			
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Version 3

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Dated: September 30, 2017

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<p>Project Purpose</p> <p>An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved.</p> <p>2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species.</p> <p>3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		
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<p>2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).</p>	<p>2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species.</p> <p>2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.</p>	<p>2. Project report and publication</p>		<p>Modification of growth conditions for two species was completed. Two species were evaluated with fatty acids.</p>	

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4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication	Patent application for the bag reactor system was prepared.
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication	Characterization of ammonia production from aquaculture sludge was conducted.
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication	

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<p>4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor.</p> <p>4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture.</p> <p>4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.</p>			
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<p>Project Purpose</p> <p>An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved.</p> <p>2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species.</p> <p>3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		
<p>Outputs</p> <p>1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.</p>	<p>1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified.</p> <p>1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.</p>	<p>1. Project report and publication</p>	<p>Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.</p>		
<p>2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).</p>	<p>2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species.</p> <p>2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.</p>	<p>2. Project report and publication</p>			

3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication		
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication		
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication		
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication		

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
<p>1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia.</p> <p>1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae.</p> <p>1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds.</p> <p>1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.</p>	<p>Dispatch of Experts</p> <p>Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator</p> <p>Short-term Expert:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments 	<p>Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel</p> <p>Suitable office space with necessary equipment</p> <p>Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA</p> <p>Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).</p>	<p>Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions</p>
<p>2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds.</p> <p>2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed 		
<p>3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia.</p> <p>3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods.</p> <p>3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts.</p> <p>3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction.</p> <p>3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.</p>	<p>Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later.</p> <p>Training in Japan</p> <p>Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.</p>		<p><Issues and countermeasures></p>
<p>4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor.</p> <p>4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture.</p> <p>4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.</p>			
<p>5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge.</p> <p>5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.</p>			
<p>6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC.</p> <p>6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.</p>			

Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Dated: September 30, 2018

Implementing Institutions (Japanese side): Soka University (SU), The University of Tokyo (UT), Tokyo Institute of Technology (TITech), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions


Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
<p>Overall Goal Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.</p>	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	<p>Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions</p>	<p>Market demand for useful compounds is maintained</p>		
<p>Project Purpose An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		

Outputs			Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	Collecting microalgae and isolating of the collected microalgae were completed. Screening of isolated microalgae for high contents of useful compounds was conducted to all isolates (209 strains). 9 papers of international journals have been published so far.
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	1. Project report and publication		
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	2. Project report and publication		
3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication		
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication		
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication		
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication		
			Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation have been established Growth promoting effects of soil extracts have been determined on selected microalgae in NIES culture collection. Molecular weight distribution and fluorescence property of dissolved organic matter in soil extracts have been analyzed.	
			The optimum fermentation temperature, prospective sludge-degrading microorganism, and liming effect for enhancing NH ₃ recovery from the sludge was elucidated	

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed	Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.			
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		<Issues and countermeasures>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.			
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.			
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.			

Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Dated: March 31, 2019

Implementing Institutions (Japanese side): Soka University (SU), The University of Tokyo (UT), Tokyo Institute of Technology (TITech), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions

Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
<p>Overall Goal Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.</p>	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	<p>Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions</p>	<p>Market demand for useful compounds is maintained</p>		
<p>Project Purpose An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p>	<p>"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	<p>Project report and publication</p>	<p>Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology</p>		

Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	1. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	Collecting microalgae and isolating of the collected microalgae were completed. Screening of isolated microalgae for high contents of useful compounds was conducted to all isolates (209 strains). 9 papers of international journals have been published so far.	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	2. Project report and publication			
3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication			
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication			
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.	5. Project report and publication			
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO ₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.	6. Project report and publication			
				Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation have been established Growth promoting effects of soil extracts have been determined on selected microalgae in NIES culture collection. Molecular weight distribution and fluorescence property of dissolved organic matter in soil extracts have been analyzed. A paper of international journal has been published so far.	
				CRADLE system showed the biomass yield of 2050kg/GJ and areal production rate of >10g-ds m ⁻² day ⁻¹ in the semi continuous culture of <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> and <i>Spirulina platensis</i> . These results indicate that the "An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed" in objectively verifiable indicators of 4-1 was achieved. 9 papers of international journals have been published so far.	
				The optimum fermentation temperature, prospective sludge-degrading microorganism, and liming effect for enhancing NH ₃ recovery from the sludge was elucidated. 2 papers of international journals have been published so far.	

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed	Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.			Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.			
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.			
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.			
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.			

Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

Dated: SEPT 30, 2019

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Implementing Institutions (Japanese side): Soka University (SU), The University of Tokyo (UT), Tokyo Institute of Technology (TITech), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions


Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia **Model Site:** N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Overall Goal					
Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.	1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.	Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions	Market demand for useful compounds is maintained		
Project Purpose					
An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.	"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .	Project report and publication	Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology		

Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	1. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	A total of 201 isolates were collected from both seawater and freshwater sites of Terengganu, Pahang, Kedah, Perak, Selangor and Johor states. All isolates have been purified, screened for high lipid/carotenoid using Nile red and identified molecularly using 18s rDNA. Two microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> were chosen as "high value microalgae" based on results from second screening. High oil production culture conditions established for <i>C. vulgaris</i> and <i>M. gracile</i> microalgae model. These conditions will be used for <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> . Transcriptome profiling of the high-oil and nitrate-inducible genes completed. Further bioinformatic analysis is currently conducted at MGI.	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	2. Project report and publication			
3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication		Objectively verifiable indicator (OVI) 3.1 has been achieved, and the preparation of the soil extracts have been completed. The incubation experiments have been in rapid progress, and a fully automatic fractionation system has been developed and installed at UNISEL. The OVI 3.2 has been achieved for soil samples from 6 sites (from a total of 9 sites) tested on 7 species (from a total of 11 species). Characterization of the soil extracts by fluorescence analysis and size distribution is OVI 3.3 is still in progress. Preparation of manuscripts is in progress.	
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed. 4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed. 4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.	4. Project report and publication		Culture experiments on <i>Spirulina</i> and <i>Chlorella</i> were carried out by using the small-scale novel photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ, which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.1" in PDM has been completed. A scale-up bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous <i>Chaetoceros</i> strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.2" in PDM has been completed. The two species identified by UMT, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> will be used in the outdoor PBR.	

<p>5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.</p>	<p>5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established. 5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.</p>	<p>5. Project report and publication</p>		<p>TiTech, Soka University and UPM started to optimize NH₃ trapping/storage/supply method in a viewpoint of efficient utilization of nutrient (i.e. NH₃) and CO₂ emitted from sludge composting, for culturing high-value microalgal biomass. The demonstration site (pilot-scale sludge composting system with NH₃ recovery unit, connected with a bag-reactor microalgae cultivation system) has been constructed on UPM.</p>
<p>6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.</p>	<p>6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost. 6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.</p>	<p>6. Project report and publication</p>		

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
	The Japanese Side	The Malaysian Side	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology	Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.	• Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments	Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA	
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	• Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering	Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	<Issues and countermeasures>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.	• Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later.		
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.	Training in Japan		
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.	Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		

Project Monitoring Sheet II (Revision of Plan of Operation)

As of October 31, 2019

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Inputs		Monitoring																				Remarks	Issue		Solution																			
		1st Year					2nd Year					3rd Year					4th Year										5th Year																	
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	Planktonologist/ Project Leader (T. Toda)																																								SU			
	Phycologist 1 (K. Takahashi)																																								UTokyo			
	Phycologist 2 (M. Sato)																																							UTokyo				
	Phycologist 3 (T. Katayama)																																							UTokyo				
	Natural organic chemist/Soil chemist, GC-MAS																																							SU				
	Analytical chemist 2 LC-MAS																																											
	Waste treatment scientist 1 (K. Nakasaki)																																							Tokyo Tech				
	Waste treatment scientist 2 (M. Koyama)																																							Tokyo Tech				
	Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 3 (T. Matsuyama)																																							SU				
	Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 4 (J. Ida)																																							SU				
	Water chemist 1 (A. Imai)																																							NIES				
	Water chemist 2 (K. Komatsu)																																							NIES				
	Microbiologist (N. Kurosawa)																																							SU				
	Photobiologist (V. Kuwahara)																																							SU				
	Natural product chemist (M. Watanabe or Tominaga)																																							WOL				
	Electron Microscopist (M. Kuwata)																																							SU				
	Advisor/ Phycologist 4 (K. Furuya)																																							SU				
Equipment		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
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Training in Japan		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
	Training at NIES																																							NIES				
	Training at Utokyo																																							Tokyo Tech				
	Training at Tokyo Tech																																							UTokyo				
	Training at SU																																							SU				
In-country/Third country Training		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
	Workshop in Malaysia, held by Japanese Researchers																																											

Output 3: Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.																	
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia.	Plan													NIES	UNISEL	All samples have been collected (completed)	
	Actual																
3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods.	Plan													NIES	UNISEL	This has been completed where the methods have been identified and established.	
	Actual																
3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts.	Plan													NIES	UNISEL	The right method has been identified and established (completed)	
	Actual																
3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction.	Plan													NIES	UNISEL	Out of 9 sites, 6 has been completed and remaining 3 sites is ongoing for investigation where 4 species left to investigate out of 11 species.	
	Actual																
3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Plan													NIES	UNISEL	Chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions were continued to be carried using samples from all other areas where the soil samples were collected.	
	Actual																
Output 4: Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.																	
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor.	Plan													SU	UPM	Culture experiments on <i>Spirulina</i> and <i>Chlorella</i> were carried out by using the small-scale novel photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ, which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.1" in PDM has been completed.	
	Actual																
4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture.	Plan													SU	UPM	A scale-up bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous <i>Chaetoceros</i> strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.2" in PDM has been completed.	
	Actual																
4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.	Plan													SU	UPM	The construction of demonstration site in UPM was completed to install "Multi-sequence outdoor system". A part of the system has been installed in the demonstration site in UPM. The test operation of the system will be conducted in term 8, 2020 to complete the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.3" in PDM.	
	Actual																

Output 5: Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.															
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge.	Plan												Tokyo Tech	UPM	TITech has been investigating the NH3 recovery potential of shrimp aquaculture sludge using laboratory scale aerobic fermentation system. TITech examined the effect of alkaline agent (Ca(OH)2) dosing on NH3 recovery from the sludge in a bench-scale composting process. UPM has been investigating the self-heating capacity of the shrimp aquaculture sludge during aerobic fermentation and found that the sludge collected directly from the plastic-lined pond exhibits high temperature (approx. 55°C) during fermentation. Also, TITech have been investigating the phosphate recovery and salinity removal from the fermentation solid residue (i.e. compost) of shrimp pond sludge for culturing microalgal biomass and desalinating the compost for agricultural application. UPM started to examine the plant growth effect of the shrimp sludge compost, investigating the growth of some local and/or halo-tolerant crops.
	Actual														
5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.	Plan												Tokyo Tech	UPM	TITech, Soka University and UPM started to optimize NH3 trapping/storage/supply method in a viewpoint of efficient utilization of nutrient (i.e. NH3) and CO2 emitted from sludge composting, for culturing high-value microalgal biomass. The demonstration site (pilot-scale sludge composting system with NH3 recovery unit, connected with a bag-reactor microalgae cultivation system) has been constructed on UPM.
	Actual														
Output 6: Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.															
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC.	Plan												SU	UPM	
	Actual														
6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.	Plan												SU	UPM	
	Actual														
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Reports/Documents															
Project Completion Report															
Public Relations															
Opening project's website															
Press release															

Draft Semi-final - Project Monitoring Sheet I (Revision of Project Design Matrix)

Dated: March 31, 2020

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Implementing Institutions (Malaysian side): Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Universiti Selangor (UNISEL)

Implementing Institutions (Japanese side): Soka University (SU), The University of Tokyo (UT), Tokyo Institute of Technology (TITech), National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES)

Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions

Period of Project: 5 years (2016-2021)


Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Overall Goal					
Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.	1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. Three (3) or more aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.	Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions	Market demand for useful compounds is maintained	1. High value microalgae species have been shown to produce useful compounds under laboratory conditions. These are 1. Anti-oxidants (UMT Group 2) and 3) Fatty acids (UMT Group 3). Detail chemical properties of the compounds are being analysed. 2. The mass-culture of high values microalgae will be established at the SATREPS-COSMOS Demonstration site in UPM as a model for farmers to adopt. Upon establishment of the outdoor bioreactor at the demo site, technologies will be disseminated to farmers.	Delay in Theme 3 and Theme 4 due to unfavorable climatic conditions affecting the construction of the SATREPS-COSMOS Demonstration site. In mid-March the site was ready, but the outbreak of Covid 19 caused further delay as all Universities and offices in Malaysia were closed. The project is preparing countermeasures including an extension of the project duration. It is expected that the project requires at least a six month-extension .
Project Purpose					
An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.	"1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per gigajoule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .	Project report and publication	Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology	1. Production of one tonne per ha has been achieved based on in-door photobioreactor production. However, the outdoor production has to be calculated after the outdoor production system has completed 2. Not yet because of the delay in the installation of the outdoor bioreactor due to climatic problem and COVID19 pandemic 3. The ammonia from the pond sludge has been shown to be suitable for the microalgae culture (Two papers on the issue have been published in Q1 journals). The whole process is being established at the demonstration site to integrate the nutrient production process from the aquaculture pond sludge (Theme 4) for the culture in the outdoor photobioreactor (Theme 3).	If we can go back to work at the demonstration site, the outdoor bioreactor should be able to be established by October 2020. From then, we should have another year to complete the project and achieve all objectives.

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified. 1-2. Three indigenous microalgae species: <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> , <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> and <i>Tetraselmis chuii</i> with high content of antioxidants at the best growth phase are identified. 1-3. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	1. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	A total of 212 isolates were collected from both seawater and freshwater sites of Terengganu, Pahang, Kedah, Perak, Selangor and Johor states. All isolates have been purified, screened for high lipid/carotenoid using Nile red and identified molecularly using 18s rDNA. Three indigenous microalgae species: <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> , <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> and <i>Tetraselmis chuii</i> with high content of antioxidants are identified at different growth phases. Based on the early stationary phase, these three microalgae were cultured under different medium compositions. <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> shows increased of α -Tocopherol and ascorbic acid under 10 times and 100 times of both phosphate and nitrate treatment. Two microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> were chosen as "high value microalgae" based on results from second screening. High oil production culture conditions established for <i>C. vulgaris</i> and <i>M. gracile</i> microalgae model. These conditions will be used for <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i>. Transcriptome profiling of the high-oil and nitrate-inducible genes completed. Further bioinformatic analysis is currently conducted at MGI.	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species. 2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition. 2-3. Productivity of antioxidants is increased by 10 times and 100 times of nitrate and phosphate treatments in <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> , <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> and <i>Tetraselmis chuii</i> .	2. Project report and publication			Objectively verifiable indicator (OVI) 3.1 has been achieved, and the preparation of the soil extracts have been completed. The incubation experiments have been in rapid progress, and a fully automatic fractionation system has been developed and installed at UNISEL. The OVI 3.2 has been achieved for soil samples from 6 sites (from a total of 9 sites) tested on 11 species. Undiluted fraction samples will be given to UPM for further testing in small and large scale bioreactors. Characterization of the soil extracts with growth promoting effects are still in progress in OVI 3.3. The samples were send to Japan for further analyses. Pristine soils dissolved organic matters and bacterial community profiling via shotgun metagenomics approach was successfully carried out. The preparation of manuscripts is in progress.
3. Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are determined.	3-1. Appropriate methods for soil extraction and fractionation are developed. 3-2. Growth promoting effects of soil-extracted fractions on selected microalgae are determined. 3-3. Chemical characteristics of the soil-extracted fractions with growth promoting effects are evaluated.	3. Project report and publication			

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.	<p>4-1. An experimental small-scale novel photobioreactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per gigajoule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed.</p> <p>4-2. Scaled-up novel photobioreactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed.</p> <p>4-3. More than two (2) species of selected microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced photobioreactors.</p>	4. Project report and publication		<p>Culture experiments on Spirulina and Chlorella were carried out by using the small-scale novel photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ, which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.1" in PDM has been completed. A scale-up bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous Chaetoceros strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.2" in PDM has been completed. The two species identified by UMT, Thalassiosira weissflogii and Isochrysis galbana are being tested to be used in the outdoor photobioreactor system which is being finalised. Further improvements at the COSMOS demonstration site was done (additional pool to install the PBR driver system) for the installation of the multi-sequence outdoor system to achieve OVI 4.3.</p>	
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	<p>5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established.</p> <p>5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia and phosphorus as a low-cost alternative nutrient source is established.</p>	5. Project report and publication		<p>lab-scale investigation of phosphate recovery and desalination from the sludge compost under anaerobic condition (Terms 6-8) revealed that the leaching of phosphate is faster at higher temperature condition, although the phosphate recovery at 55°C and 37°C condition became similar within three days. Increase of NH₄⁺ concentration by 33-64% was observed during anaerobic phosphate recovery, indicating the NH₄⁺ production from the aerobically-degraded residual sludge. From these results, it was suggested that the phosphate recovery and desalination operation could be feasible for utilizing the treated liquid fraction for culturing middle-to-low value microalgal biomass, and for decreasing the salinity level of the solid fraction to be used for compost in the agricultural field. On the other hand, the decrease in the nutrient content of the solid fraction by this operation could negatively influence the plant growth. This suggested the trade-off relationship between the promotion of desalination and loss of nutrient.</p> <p>With regards to publications, the findings of NH₃ recovery and microbial community succession of the different shrimp pond sludges during thermophilic composting was accepted and published in Journal of Cleaner Production in Term 8.</p>	
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	<p>6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost.</p> <p>6-2. The system does not negatively affect the current aquaculture production.</p> <p>6-3. Total CO₂ emission by life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.</p>	6. Project report and publication			

Activities	Inputs		Pre-Conditions
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	The Japanese Side Dispatch of Experts Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology	The Malaysian Side Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.	• Photobiology and optics of natural environments • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry	Suitable office space with necessary equipment	
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	• Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed	Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA	<Issues and countermeasures>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.	Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later.	Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.	Training in Japan		
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.	Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		

Draft Semi-final - Project Monitoring Sheet II (Revision of Plan of Operation)

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

As of March 31, 2020

Inputs				Monitoring																				Remarks	Issue	Solution										
				Year				1st Year				2nd Year				3rd Year				4th Year							5th Year									
Expert				AFF	No.	Plan	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	Watanabe Oyster Laboratory (WOL)					
Planktonologist 1/ Project Leader (T. Toda)				SU	1	Plan	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		1	2	3	4	SU
Planktonologist 2 (M. Hirahara)				SU	2	Actual																												SU		
Phycologist 1 (K. Takahashi)				UT	3	Plan																												UTokyo		
Phycologist 2 (M. Sato)				UT	4	Actual																												UTokyo		
Phycologist 3 (T. Katayama)				UT	5	Plan																												UTokyo		
Advisor/ Phycologist 4 (K. Furuya)				SU	6	Actual																												SU		
Microbiologist (N. Kurosawa)				SU	7	Plan																												SU		
Photobiologist (V. Kuwahara)				SU	8	Actual																												SU		
Natural product chemist (M. Watanabe or Tominaga), <u>Watanabe Oyster Laboratory</u>				WOL	9	Plan																								Watanabe Oyster Laboratory (WOL)						
Natural organic chemist/Soil chemist, GC-MAS				SU	10	Actual																												SU		
Analytical chemist 2 LC-MAS					11	Plan																														
Water chemist 1 (A. Imai)				NIES	12	Actual																												NIES		
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Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 3 (T. Matsuyama)				SU	14	Actual																												SU		
Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 4 (J. Ida)				SU	15	Plan																												SU		
Waste treatment scientist 1 (K. Nakasaki)				TT	16	Actual																												Tokyo Tech		
Waste treatment scientist 2 (M. Koyama)				TT	17	Plan																												Tokyo Tech		
Waste Treatment Scientist 3 (T.N.M. Quyen)				TT	18	Actual																												Tokyo Tech		
Electron Microscopist (M. Kuwata)				SU	19	Plan																												SU		
JICA Project Coordinator Ms. Mari Miller Mr. Masaru Yamada				N.A.	20	Actual																												Not available		
Equipment						Plan	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9						
Transport, installation and commissioning of equipment purchased in Japan						Actual																														
Training in Japan						Plan	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9						
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In-country/Third country Training						Plan	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9						
Workshop in Malaysia, held by Japanese Researchers						Actual																														

Output 5: Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.																										
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge.	Plan									Tokyo Tech	UPM	The NH3 recovery potential of shrimp aquaculture sludge using laboratory scale aerobic fermentation system has been completed. The assessment of the effect of alkaline agent (Ca(OH)2) dosing on NH3 recovery from the sludge in a bench-scale composting process has also been completed. UPM has been investigating the self-heating capacity of the shrimp aquaculture sludge during aerobic fermentation and found that the sludge collected directly from the plastic-lined pond exhibits high temperature (approx. 55°C) during fermentation. Also, TiTech have been investigating the phosphate recovery and salinity removal from the fermentation solid residue (i.e. compost) of shrimp pond sludge for culturing microalgal biomass and desalinating the compost for agricultural application. UPM started to examine the plant growth effect of the shrimp sludge compost, investigating the growth of some local and/or halo-tolerant crops.														
	Actual																									
5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.	Plan									Tokyo Tech	UPM	TiTech, SU and UPM started to optimize a NH3 trapping/storage/supply method towards the efficient utilization of nutrients and CO2 emitted from sludge composting, for culturing high-value microalgal biomass. A two-stage gas absorption system, which (1) directly absorbs the majority of the emitted NH3 and CO2 from the composting reactor into the algal medium and (2) a trap to recover excessive NH3 in a phosphoric acid solution, was proposed for the complete NH3 recovery and efficient nutrient storage/supply. Feasibility of this system has been investigated. The construction of the composting system was completed, and preliminary operation without using compost was started. TiTech and UPM have also started designing and constructing the sludge de-watering facility to pretreat large amounts of sludge, in order to operate the pilot-scale composting system.														
	Actual																									
Output 6: Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.																										
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Monitoring Plan		Year	1st Year				2nd Year				3rd Year				4th Year				5th Year				Remarks	Issue	Solution	
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Monitoring	Joint Coordinating Committee	Plan																						No. of participants: 50 (4th JCC)		
	Actual																									
	Submission of Monitoring Sheet	Plan																								
	Actual																									
	Monitoring Mission from Japan	Plan																								
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Reports/Documents	Project Completion Report	Plan																								
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Public Relations	Opening project's website	Plan																						www.cosmos-satreps.org		
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Project Monitoring Sheet I (Project Design Matrix, PDM)

PDM Version 1 (Revised as of **JCC5, 28 August 2020**)

Reporting date: **September 30, 2020**

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Target Group: Researchers, Technicians and Graduate students of implementing institutions

Period of Project: 6 years (2016.04 - 2022.03)

Project Site: Peninsular Malaysia

Model Site: N/A


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Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge.</p> <p>2. More than three (3) aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions	Market demand for useful compounds is maintained	<p>1. High value microalgae species have been shown to produce useful compounds under laboratory conditions. These are Anti-oxidants (UMT Group 2) and Fatty acids (UMT Group 3). Detail chemical properties of the compounds are being analysed.</p> <p>2. The mass-culture of high values microalgae will be established at the demo site in UPM as a model for farms to adopt. Upon establishment of the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactor (outdoor bioreactor), technologies will be disseminated to farms. In Malaysia, some Aquaculture Companies showed their interest: (1) Blue Archipelago Sdn Bhd, (2) Hannan Sdn Bhd, (3) RE Millenium Sdn Bhd (Term 4). In Japan, Shin Kami town in Goto island, Nagasaki, large-scale implementation is operational.</p>	The construction of the SATREPS-COSMOS Demonstration site was delayed unfavorable climatic conditions in June 2019. The outbreak of Covid19 delayed the project progress further. The extension of the project duration was agreed on the fifth JCC meeting in August 2020.
Project Purpose					
An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.	<p>1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved.</p> <p>2. Biomass yield per giga joule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species.</p> <p>3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .</p>	Project report and publication	Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology	<p><i>The construction of the demonstration site (demo site) was proposed and initiated by UPM in order to integrate and disseminate those technologies developed by the project, particularly at the outdoor (bench) scale. This construction was completed as of October 2020.</i></p> <p>1. Production of one tonne per ha (1t/ha) has been achieved based on the scale-up novel photobioreactor (in-door photobioreactor). However, the production by the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors has to be calculated after the installation (scheduled in June 2021).</p> <p>2. Fabrication phase because of the delay in the installation of the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors (outdoor bioreactor) due to climatic problem and COVID19 pandemic.</p> <p>3. Fabrication phase. The ammonia from the pond sludge has been shown to be suitable for the microalgae culture (Two papers published in Q1 journals). The whole process is to be established at the demo site in July 2021.</p>	<p>The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactor is under preparation in Japan and will be shipped to Malaysia in March 20212.</p> <p>The pilot-scale nutrient recycling system is needed to be modified and tested as matter of urgency (the system safety and the gas absorption system)</p> <p>The whole integration at the demo site is scheduled in June 2021.</p>

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	1-1: Two indigenous microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , have been chosen as high value microalgae with high content of lipid and carotenoid.	
	1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication		1-2: On-going Optimum growth conditions are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> . With regards to publications, the findings of screening and characterization of the indigenous microalgae was accepted and will be published in Frontiers in Term 10.	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication		2-1: On-going (light, temperature, salinity conditions); Completed (nutrients condition). High oil production culture conditions were established for <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> and <i>Messastrum gracile</i> microalgae model. Based on these findings, suitable culture conditions for inducing production of useful compounds are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> .	
	2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	Project report and publication	2-2. On-going Productivity of useful compounds is currently determined for the cultured microalgae as in 2-1.		

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
3. Efficient microalgae culturing technique utilizing growth-enhancing substances extracted from soil and sludge is proposed.	3-1. Optimal methodologies for extraction and fractionation of growth enhancing substances are identified.	3. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	3-1: By the development of a fully automatic fractionation system, the optimal methodologies for fractionation has been established . Additionally, the methodology of the molecular size fractionation by ultrafiltration with centrifugation has been established. Those two established fractionation techniques were applied to OVI. 3.2.	
	3-2. Using plate culture technique, relationships between enhancing effect on algal growth and chemical characteristics of soil extraction fraction are clarified.	Project report and publication		3-2: Using plate culture techniques, the growth effects on some algal species by the soil extracts have been clarified. Growth promoting effects of soil extracts have been determined on selected microalgae provided from the NIES culture collection. In cooperation with Theme 1, the growth promoting effects of soil extracts on high-valued microalgae have been investigated and then observed. Furthermore, the effective soil extract fractions were found by the combined experiment of plate incubation and fractionation. The role of each fraction (hydrophobic/hydrophilic) of soil extract was examined and the synergetic/offset effects of the fractions were determined by the advanced plate incubation experiments. Out of the 11 sites, 6 sites were completely examined for the 11 species of microalgae. Undiluted fraction M-a samples was provided to UPM for further testing in small and large scale bioreactors. Characterization of the soil extracts with growth promoting effects are still in progress. Pristine soils dissolved organic matters and bacterial community profiling via shotgun metagenomics approach was successfully carried out on Royal Belum samples. The preparation of manuscripts is in progress.	

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale CRADLE reactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per giga Joule , which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	4-1: Achieved in 2018 Culture experiments on Spirulina and Chlorella were carried out by using the laboratory-scale photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ (Term 3), which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. The laboratory-scale photobioreactor has been installed since 2016 (Term 1). Twelve (12) column reactors which control temperature and aeration rate were designed and installed in the laboratory (Term 2).	
	4-2. Scaled-up bag CRADLE reactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months , is developed.			4-2: Achieved in 2019 (Term 7) The scale-up novel bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM (Term 4) laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous Chaetoceros strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months (Term 7).	
	4-3. More than two (2) species of microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced bag reactors.			4-3: On-going (to be conducted from July 2021). The two species identified by Theme 1, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , are being tested to be used. The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors is being finalised and to be installed in May 2021 .	Two designs of multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors reactors were developed in consultation with Japanese chemical manufacturers Selected 3 types of reactor materials and conducting toxicity tests for evaluating the optimum material using 3 microalgal species (i.e., <i>Chaetoceros gracilis</i> , <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i>) until November . Several types of low-cost drives using an actuator are under consideration in consultation with two experts and its trial run scheduled in early 2021 . The lab-scale reactor will be installed at Soka University to monitor the operational performance until January 2021 .

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5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established .	5. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	<p>5-1: Achieved in lab-scale experiments (Term 5-6). <i>Bacillus</i> sp. strain R2 was successfully isolated from sludge compost sample. We have found the optimum fermentation temperature, prospective sludge-degrading microorganism, and liming effect for enhancing NH₃ recovery (Term5). The ammonia production potential of shrimp sludge was 5.4 kg-N per one ton of sludge. This is sufficient for the project goal "production of 10 kg dry weight of algal biomass (=0.9 kg-N) from one ton of sludge". Ca(OH)₂ dosing operation to enhance ammonia volatilization was established without inhibiting microbial activity, both in lab-scale and bench-scale. Sludge sampling in Malaysia (Term 2 and 3) Designed a system for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge (Term 3). Set up the outdoor medium-scale nutrient recycling system (Bench-scale nutrient recycling system) (Term 4). Delivered the outdoor large-scale nutrient recycling system (Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system) to the demo site (Term 8) but needed to fully installed.</p>	<p>Been modifying the Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system (4 m³) at the demo-site for improving the system safety and to install the gas absorption system.</p> <p>Test-run must be conducted as soon as the modification is completed. The system operation needs to be optimized for the safe and sustainable operation for a long time.</p> <p>UPM started to examine plant growth effect of the shrimp sludge compost, expecting the growth of some halo-tolerant and high-value crops (mango and fig) using saline sludge.</p>
	5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia as a low-cost alternative nitrogen source is established .			<p>5-2: To be tested shortly at the demo site Proposed a two-stage gas absorption system to optimize a NH₃ trapping/storage/supply method. Installed the sludge de-watering facility to pretreat large amounts of sludge at the demo site.</p>	
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	<p>6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost.</p> <p>6-2. The system is proven not to negatively affect the current aquaculture production.</p> <p>6-3. Total CO₂ emission by Life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.</p>	6. Project report and publication		<p>6-1: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in August 2021.</p> <p>6-2: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in June 2021.</p> <p>6-3: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in September 2021.</p>	

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Activities			Inputs		Pre-Conditions
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.			The Japanese Side <u>Dispatch of Experts</u> Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: · Planktonology · Phycology · Molecular biology/ Microbiology · Photobiology and optics of natural environments · Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry · Analytical chemistry · Water chemistry · Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering · Waste treatment science · Other specialists as needed Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.	The Malaysian Side Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.					
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.					<div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> <Issues and countermeasures> </div>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.					
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.					
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.					

Project Monitoring Sheet II (Plan of Operation)

PO version 1 (Approved JCC5, 28 August 2020)

Project Title: The Project for Continuous Operation System for Microalgae Production Optimized for Sustainable Tropical Aquaculture (COSMOS)

Reported as of **September 30, 2020**

Inputs	Project Duration		1st Year			2nd Year			3rd Year			4th Year			5th Year			6th Year			Remarks	Issue/ Remarks	Solution																	
	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.		Term 1			Term 2			Term 3			Term 4			Term 5			Term 6																						
	Monitoring Sheet (Report)		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	Term 7	Term 8	Term 9	Term 10	Term 11	Term 12	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6																				
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Planktonologist 1/ Project Leader (T. Toda)	SU 1	Plan																																			SU	Since May 2020, planned dispatchment from Japan was suspended due to Covid-19 pandemic to up-to-date.	To follow the instruction and regulation from the government	
Planktonologist 2 (M. Hirahara)	SU 2	Actual																																			SU	In order to contain the COVID-19 pandemic, the government of Malaysia initiated the Movement Control Order (MCO), effective on 18 March 2020.		
Planktonologist 3 (Y. Takayama)	UT 3	Plan																																			SU	The MCO order was extended three times, each for additional two week period, until 12 May 2020.		
Phycologist 1 (K. Takahashi)	UT 4	Actual																																			UTokyo			
Phycologist 2 (M. Sato)	UT 5	Plan																																			UTokyo	On 13 May, the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO) was issued.		
Phycologist 3 (T. Katayama)	UT 6	Actual																																			UTokyo	On 8 June, the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO) was issued.		
Phycologist 4 (M. Ohtake)	UT 7	Plan																																			SU	On 25 March, the MCO was extended until 14 April.		
Advisor/ Phycologist 4 (K. Furuya)	SU 8	Actual																																			SU	On 10 April, the MCO was extended until 28 April.		
Microbiologist (N. Kurosawa)	SU 9	Plan																																			SU	On 23 April, the MCO was extended until 12 May.		
Photobiologist (V. Kuwahara)	SU 10	Actual																																			SU	On 11 May, the CMCO was initiated as per 13 May until 9 June.		
Natural product chemist (M. Watanabe or Tominaga), Watanabe Oyster Laboratory	WOL 11	Plan																																			Watanabe Oyster Laboratory (WOL)	On 7 June, the RMCO was initiated as per 10 June until 31 August.		
Natural organic chemist/Soil chemist, GC-MAS	SU 12	Actual																																			SU	On 28 August, the RMCO was extended until 31 December.		
Analytical chemist 2 LC-MAS	13	Plan																																				source:https://www.mdbc.com.my/mco-updates/		
Water chemist 1 (A. Imai)	NIES 14	Actual																																			NIES			
Water chemist 2 (K. Komatsu)	NIES 15	Plan																																				NIES		
Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 3 (T. Matsuyama)	SU 16	Actual																																			SU			
Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 4 (J. Ida)	SU 17	Plan																																			SU			
Waste treatment scientist 1 (K. Nakasaki)	TT 18	Actual																																			Tokyo Tech			
Waste treatment scientist 2 (M. Koyama)	TT 19	Plan																																			Tokyo Tech			
Waste Treatment Scientist 3 (T.N.M. Quven)	TT 20	Actual																																			Tokyo Tech			
Electron Microscopist (M. Kuwata)	SU 21	Plan																																			SU			
JICA Project Coordinator Ms. Mari Miller Mr. Masaru Yamada	N.A. 22	Actual																																			Not available			
Equipment		Plan																																				The reactor (Theme 3) is to be delivered to the demo site in Malaysia in March 2021. The composting reactor (Theme 4) is needed to be assembled and tested before functioning.		
Transport, installation and commissioning of equipment purchased in Japan		Actual																																						
Training in Japan		Plan																																				Planned training in 2020 was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Training in 2021 to be confirmed later once the pandemic is contained.		
Training at NIES		Actual																																			NIES			
Training at Utokyo		Plan																																			Tokyo Tech			
Training at Tokyo Tech		Actual																																			UTokyo			
Training at SU		Actual																																			SU			
In-country/Third country Training		Plan																																				To be confirmed.		
Workshop in Malaysia, held by Japanese Researchers		Actual																																						

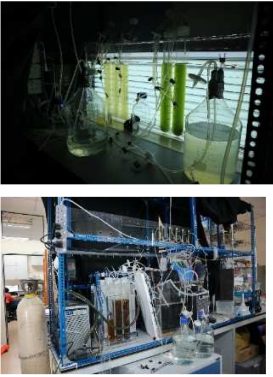
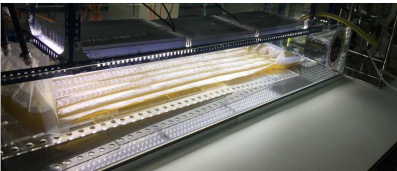




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	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.		Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5		Term 6				
	Monitoring Sheet (Report)		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	Term 7	Term 8	Term 9	Term 10	Term 11	Term 12			
	Year		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022								
Output 1: High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.																	
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia.	Plan																
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1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae.	Plan																
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1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds.	Plan																
	Actual																
1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.	Plan																
	Actual																
Output 2: Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).																	
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under manipulated culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds.	Plan																
	Actual																
2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.	Plan																
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Output 3: Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the fractions are																											
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsula Malaysia.	Plan																								NIES UNISEL	All samples have been collected/ completed (Term 7). For the application at the demonstration site, the soil samples at Singa Island and Timun Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve will be additionally obtained. The following is the completed works in the previous years: Obtained permission for soil sampling (Perak, Johore, Pahang, Terengganu and Kelantan) from the HQ of Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia, Ministry of Natural Resources & Environment (18 January 2017). Soil samplings at three different sites in Selangor were completed: Rentas Saga Shrimp Ponds (RSSP), Raja Musa Peat-Swamp Forest Reserve (RMFR), and Ayer Hitam Forest Reserve (AHFR), Selangor (Term 3). Completed for all 9 sites (Raja Musa Peat Swamp Forest, Air Hitam, Royal Belum, Tasik Kenyir, Tasik Bera, Tasik Chini, Pulau Langkawi, Prawn Farm Tanjung Karang, and Fish Pond Sludge Kuala Selangor Term 7)	
	Actual																										
3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods.	Plan																								NIES UNISEL	This has been completed where the methods have been identified and established. The following is the completed works in the previous years. Nine (9) different soil extraction conditions were designed and tested for yield recovery, chemical and plate incubation analyses (Term 3). Completed where seven (7) extraction methods were tested namely 1H, 4H, 24H natural extraction, 105°C, 105°C two hours extraction, 121°C and 121°C two hours extraction (Term 7)	
	Actual																										
3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts.	Plan																								NIES UNISEL	This activity has been completed. In addition to the resin fractionation technique, the molecular size fractionation method by using UF membranes has been established. The following is the completed works in the previous years. The fractionation system, multi-plate reader and related equipment were installed and related training was conducted in February 2017. The various techniques of soil identification, soil collections and the use of various equipment were carried out at RISDA-ESPEK Academy in Keratong, Rompin Pahang in March 2017. (Term 2). The custom-made automatic fractionation system is being modified based on the results of preliminary experiments (Term2). The custom-made automatic fractionation system was confirmed to be comparable to the conventional fractionation system. Several conditions of using soil extracts collected from sampling sites were examined (Term 3). A fully automatic fractionation system has been certified as an employee invention by NIES and the patent procedures has been completed (Term 5). Completed successfully where automated fractionation system invented by NIES Japan scientists have been setup and optimized to be used by Malaysian scientists in Unisel Bestari Jaya campus. During the optimization period 9 samples were successfully fractionated into humic and non-humic substances (Term 7).	
	Actual																										
3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and identify the growth-enhancing fractions from soil and sludge extraction.	Plan																								NIES UNISEL	Plate incubation experiments using microalgal strains selected by Theme 1 have been continued. It was found that L-b (soil extract of Singa Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve) and L-a (soil extract of Timun Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve) were the most effective for growth-promoting of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> (selected high-value microalgae in SATREPS-COSMOS program), respectively. 1 new high-value strain <i>Chaetoceros</i> will be tested again using 9 soils extract.	
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3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-enhancing fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Plan																								NIES UNISEL	The growth-promoting effects of DOM fractions were examined by the advanced plate incubation experiments. In the case of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> , the hydrophobic fraction showed better growth effects than the hydrophilic fraction or non-fractionated soil extracts. Through EEM-PARAFAC, it was suggested that all the S.E. should commonly include 4 kinds of fluorophore components (C-P: protein-like, C-M: marine-humic like, C-F: fulvic-acid like and C-H: humic-acid like). The percentages of the C-H and C-M were significantly correlated with the standardized specific growth rates of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , respectively. Pristine soils dissolved organic matters and bacterial community profiling via shotgun metagenomics approach was successfully carried out on Royal Belum samples.	
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Year	2016		2017		2018			2019			2020		2021		2022				
Output 4: Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.																			
4-1. Develop culture methods of indigenous microalgae in a small scale reactor . Note: A laboratory-scale photobioreactor	Plan																SU	UPM	Culture experiments on <i>Spirulina</i> and <i>Chlorella</i> were carried out by using the small-scale novel photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ, which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.1" in PDM has been completed.
	Actual																		
4-2. Develop scaled-up CRADLE photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. Note: A scale-up novel photobioreactor	Plan																SU	UPM	A scale-up novel photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM laboratory in March 2018 (Term 5), and the culture experiment on indigenous <i>Chaetoceros</i> strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months (Term 7).
	Actual																		
4-3. Develop a multi-sequence of operational bag reactors. Note: The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors	Plan																SU	UPM	The construction of demonstration site in UPM was completed as of October 2020 (Term 9). More experiments are being carried out on the selected high microalgae species (from UMT) to predict their responses in the outdoor bioreactors using soil extract obtained from UniSel. Unfortunately, some experiments were delayed due to CMCO.
	Actual																		
Output 5: Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.																			
5-1. Establish technology for recycling nutrients from aquaculture waste for use in microalgae production.	Plan																Tokyo Tech	UPM	Not yet established. Several research works and trials are being conducted: lab-scale (100 mL) optimization has been completed (clarifying the bottle-neck step of sludge fermentation, optimum temperature, effectiveness of NH3 volatilization operation by alkaline agent dosing). The effect of alkaline agent was also clarified in bench-scale (200 L). The self-heating capacity of the shrimp sludge was in bench-scale. The phosphate recovery and salinity removal from the fermentation solid residue of shrimp sludge was clarified in lab-scale. The plant growth using the shrimp sludge compost is ongoing.
	Actual																		
5-2 Establish technology and method for recycling waste from the whole system.	Plan																Tokyo Tech	UPM	Not yet established. Several research works and trials are being conducted: a two-stage gas absorption system was proposed for the complete NH3 recovery and efficient nutrient storage/supply. TITech and UPM completed constructing the sludge de-watering unit to pretreat large amounts of sludge, in order to operate the pilot-scale nutrient recycling system at demo-site.
	Actual																		

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6-2. Monitor biological production and environmental properties in aquaculture pond installed with algae production system.	Plan																					SU	UPM	To be conducted in June 2021.																	
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ANNEX - Terminology (The name of the reactors)

Theme	Photo	Terminology Official and Alternatives	Name and number in Form A4
3		Official: The laboratory-scale photobioreactor Alt1: Column reactor Alt2: Bubble column reactor	Indoor experimental small-scale reactor 45
3		Official: The scale-up novel photobioreactor Alt1: Laboratory bag reactor	Outdoor scaled-up bag reactor unit system 50
3	 To be replaced	Official: The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors Alt1: The outdoor-scaled-up photobioreactors	Outdoor scaled-up multiple bag reactor system 51
4		Official: The pilot-scale nutrient recycling system Alt1: Pilot-scale composting system	Outdoor large-scale nutrient recycle system 52
4		Official: The bench-scale nutrient recycling system Alt1: Bench-scale composting system	Outdoor medium-scale nutrient recycle system 53
4		Official: The lab-scale nutrient recycling system (installed at TiTech)	This is Not handover equipment.

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Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Overall Goal					
Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.	1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 2. More than three (3) aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.	Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions	Market demand for useful compounds is maintained	1. High value microalgae species have been shown to produce useful compounds under laboratory conditions. These are Anti-oxidants (UMT Group 2) and Fatty acids (UMT Group 3) . Detail chemical properties of the compounds are being analysed. 2. The mass-culture of high values microalgae will be established at the demo site in UPM as a model for farms to adopt. Upon establishment of the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactor (outdoor bioreactor), technologies will be disseminated to farms. In Malaysia, some Aquaculture Companies showed their interest: (1) Blue Archipelago Sdn Bhd, (2) Hannan Sdn Bhd, (3) RE Millenium Sdn Bhd (Term 4). In Japan, Shin Kami town in Goto island, Nagasaki, large-scale implementation is operational.	The construction of the SATREPS-COSMOS Demonstration site was delayed unfavorable climatic conditions in June 2019. The outbreak of Covid19 delayed the project progress further. The extension of the project duration was agreed on the fifth JCC meeting in August 2020.
Project Purpose					
An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.	1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved. 2. Biomass yield per giga joule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species. 3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) .	Project report and publication	Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology	<i>The construction of the demonstration site (demo site) was proposed and initiated by UPM in order to integrate and disseminate those technologies developed by the project, particularly at the outdoor (bench) scale. This construction was completed as of October 2020.</i> 1. Production of one tonne per ha (1t/ha) has been achieved based on the scale-up novel photobioreactor (in-door photobioreactor). However, the production by the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors has to be calculated after the installation (scheduled in June 2021). 2. Fabrication phase because of the delay in the installation of the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors (outdoor bioreactor) due to climatic problem and COVID19 pandemic. 3. Fabrication phase . The ammonia from the pond sludge has been shown to be suitable for the microalgae culture (Two papers published in Q1 journals). The whole process is to be established at the demo site in July 2021.	The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactor is under preparation in Japan and will be shipped to Malaysia in March 20212. The pilot-scale nutrient recycling system is needed to be modified and tested as matter of urgency (the system safety and the gas absorption system) The whole integration at the demo site is scheduled in June 2021.

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Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	1-1: Two indigenous microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , have been chosen as high value microalgae with high content of lipid and carotenoid.	
	1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication		1-2: On-going Optimum growth conditions are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> . With regards to publications, the findings of screening and characterization of the indigenous microalgae has already been published as five papers .	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication			2-1: On-going (light, temperature condition); Completed (nutrients, salinity conditions) . High oil production culture conditions were established for <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> and <i>Messastrum gracile</i> microalgae model. Based on these findings, suitable culture conditions for inducing production of useful compounds are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> .
	2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	Project report and publication	2-2: On-going Productivity of useful compounds (fatty acids, carotenoids) is currently determined for the cultured microalgae as in 2-1. Five related papers have already been published .		

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3. Efficient microalgae culturing technique utilizing growth-enhancing substances extracted from soil and sludge is proposed.	3-1. Optimal methodologies for extraction and fractionation of growth enhancing substances are identified.	3. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	3-1: By the development of a fully automatic fractionation system, the optimal methodologies for fractionation has been established . Additionally, the methodology of the molecular size fractionation by ultrafiltration with centrifugation has been established. Those two established fractionation techniques were applied to OVI. 3.2.	
	3-2. Using plate culture technique, relationships between enhancing effect on algal growth and chemical characteristics of soil extraction fraction are clarified.	Project report and publication		3-2: Using plate culture techniques, the growth effects on some algal species by the soil extracts have been clarified. Growth promoting effects of soil extracts have been determined on selected microalgae provided from the NIES culture collection. In cooperation with Theme 1, the growth promoting effects of soil extracts on high-valued microalgae have been investigated and then observed. Furthermore, the effective soil extract fractions were found by the combined experiment of plate incubation and fractionation. The role of each fraction (hydrophobic/hydrophilic) of soil extract was examined and the synergetic/offset effects of the fractions were determined by the advanced plate incubation experiments. Out of the 11 sites, 6 sites were completely examined for the 11 species of microalgae. Undiluted fraction M-a samples was provided to UPM for further testing in small and large scale bioreactors. Characterization of the soil extracts with growth promoting effects are still in progress. Pristine soils dissolved organic matters and bacterial community profiling via shotgun metagenomics approach was successfully carried out on Royal Belum samples. Three related papers have already been published, and two other related manuscripts are in preparation.	

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4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale CRADLE reactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per giga Joule , which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	4-1: Achieved in 2018 Culture experiments on Spirulina and Chlorella were carried out by using the laboratory-scale photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ (Term 3), which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. The laboratory-scale photobioreactor has been installed since 2016 (Term 1). Twelve (12) column reactors which control temperature and aeration rate were designed and installed in the laboratory (Term 2).	
	4-2. Scaled-up bag CRADLE reactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months , is developed.			4-2: Achieved in 2019 (Term 7) The scale-up novel bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM (Term 4) laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous Chaetoceros strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months (Term 7).	
	4-3. More than two (2) species of microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced bag reactors.			4-3: On-going (to be conducted from July 2021). The two species identified by Theme 1, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , are being tested to be used. The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors is being finalised and to be installed in June/July 2021 .	<p>The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors has been developed in consultation with Japanese chemical manufacturers</p> <p>Three types of reactor materials were used for toxicity tests in November 2020 to evaluate the optimum material using 3 microalgal species (i.e., <i>Chaetoceros gracilis</i>, <i>Isochrysis galbana</i>, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i>).</p> <p>The low-cost drive using an actuator is under consideration in consultation with two experts and its trial run scheduled in early 2021.</p> <p>The prototype was installed at Soka University to monitor the operational performance in March 2021.</p>

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5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established .	5. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	<p>5-1: Achieved in lab-scale experiments (Term 5-6). Bacillus sp. strain R2 was successfully isolated from sludge compost sample. We have found the optimum fermentation temperature, prospective sludge-degrading microorganism, and liming effect for enhancing NH₃ recovery (Term5). The ammonia production potential of shrimp sludge was 5.4 kg-N per one ton of sludge. This is sufficient for the project goal "production of 10 kg dry weight of algal biomass (=0.9 kg-N) from one ton of sludge".</p> <p>Ca(OH)₂ dosing operation to enhance ammonia volatilization was established without inhibiting microbial activity, both in lab-scale and bench-scale.</p> <p>Sludge sampling in Malaysia (Term 2 and 3)</p> <p>Designed a system for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge (Term 3).</p> <p>Set up the outdoor medium-scale nutrient recycling system (Bench-scale nutrient recycling system) (Term 4).</p> <p>Delivered the outdoor large-scale nutrient recycling system (Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system) to the demo site (Term 8) but needed to fully installed.</p> <p>The modification of the Outdoor large-scale nutrient recycle system was completed (Term 9-10).</p>	<p>Been modifying the Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system (4 m³) at the demo-site for improving the system safety and to install the gas absorption system.</p> <p>Test-run must be conducted as soon as the modification is completed. The system operation needs to be optimized for the safe and sustainable operation for a long time.</p> <p>UPM started to examine plant growth effect of the shrimp sludge compost, expecting the growth of some halo-tolerant and high-value crops (mango and fig) using saline sludge.</p>
	5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia as a low-cost alternative nitrogen source is established .			<p>5-2: To be tested shortly at the demo site</p> <p>Proposed a two-stage gas absorption system to optimize a NH₃ trapping/storage/supply method.</p> <p>Installed the sludge de-watering facility to pretreat large amounts of sludge at the demo site.</p>	
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	<p>6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost.</p> <p>6-2. The system is proven not to negatively affect the current aquaculture production.</p> <p>6-3. Total CO₂ emission by Life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods.</p>	6. Project report and publication		<p>6-1: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in August 2021. Working on setting up scenario and evaluation system boundaries. In addition, collecting each value (carbon intensity, construction cost, revenue amount, and operation cost) necessary for the evaluation.</p> <p>6-2: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in September 2021. The photobioreactor part of the multi-sequence system does not adopt the use of toxic chemicals such as heavy metals for aquatic organisms. Additionally, trial run by using the prototype of photobioreactor installed at Soka University is under way for confirming that there is no leakage of culture in the reactor.</p> <p>6-3: Data and information are being collected. To be examined and compiled in September 2021. Working on setting up scenario and evaluation system boundaries. In addition, collecting each value (carbon intensity, construction cost, revenue amount, and operation cost) necessary for the evaluation.</p>	

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Activities			Inputs		Pre-Conditions
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.			The Japanese Side <u>Dispatch of Experts</u> Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed	The Malaysian Side Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.					
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.			Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		<div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <Issues and countermeasures> </div>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.					
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.					
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.					

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Overall Goal					
Mass-culture of high value microalgae is adopted by aquaculture farms towards a sustainable aquaculture industry in Malaysia and/or other aquaculture producing countries.	<p>1. More than two (2) types of useful compounds are produced from cultured microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge.</p> <p>2. More than three (3) aquaculture farms have introduced mass culture of algae in Malaysia and/or other tropical countries.</p>	Report from aquaculture farms Memorandum of Understanding on the use of mass-culture technology between the private farms and implementing institutions	Market demand for useful compounds is maintained	<p>1. High value microalgae species have been shown to produce useful compounds under laboratory conditions. These are Anti-oxidants (UMT Group 2) and Fatty acids (UMT Group 3). Detail chemical properties of the compounds are being analysed.</p> <p>2. The mass-culture of high values microalgae will be established at the demo site in UPM as a model for farms to adopt. Upon establishment of the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactor (outdoor bioreactor), technologies will be disseminated to farms.</p> <p>In Malaysia, some Aquaculture Companies showed their interest: (1) Blue Archipelago Sdn Bhd, (2) Hannan Sdn Bhd, (3) RE Millenium Sdn Bhd (Term 4). In Japan, Shin Kami town in Goto island, Nagasaki, large-scale implementation is operational.</p>	The construction of the SATREPS-COSMOS Demonstration site was delayed unfavorable climatic conditions in June 2019. The outbreak of Covid19 delayed the project progress further. The extension of the project duration was agreed on the fifth JCC meeting in August 2020.
Project Purpose					
An energy-efficient mass-culture system of high value microalgae using recycled nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge is established.	<p>1. Annual algal biomass production of one (1) tonne or more per hectare is achieved.</p> <p>2. Biomass yield per giga joule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system is achieved for two (2) indigenous microalgae species.</p> <p>3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass</p>	Project report and publication	Private aquaculture farms are willing to cooperate in adopting the sustainable technology	<p>1. Production of one tonne per ha (1t/ha) has been achieved based on the scale-up novel photobioreactor (in-door photobioreactor).</p> <p>2. The biomass yield per giga joule of two (2) times or more than the conventional raceway system for two (2) indigenous microalgae species production by the multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors will be calculated upon completion of the ongoing experiment (scheduled in February 2022).</p> <p>3. More than one (1) tonne of aquaculture pond sludge is reduced for every ten (10) kilograms algal biomass production (dry weight basis) will be calculated upon completion of experiment (scheduled in February 2022).</p>	<p>The pilot-scale nutrient recycling system is needed to be modified and tested as matter of urgency (the system safety and the gas absorption system).</p> <p>The ammonia from the pond sludge has been shown to be suitable for the microalgae culture (Two papers published in Q1 journals).</p> <p>The whole integration at the demo site and continued experiments are scheduled in February 2022.</p>

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Outputs					
1. High value microalgae are isolated and suitable growth conditions in their life cycle and physiological attributes are determined.	1-1. More than two (2) indigenous microalgae species with high contents of fatty-acid, antioxidant and other useful compounds are identified.	Project report and publication		1-1: Two indigenous microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , have been chosen as high value microalgae with high content of lipid and carotenoid.	
	1-2. Optimum growth conditions are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication		1-2: On-going (light, temperature condition); Completed (nutrients, salinity conditions). Optimum growth conditions are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> . For both microalgae species, 20 ppt has been shown to have the most profound effect on their growth.	
2. Production of useful compounds of selected microalgae is enhanced (by controlling culturing conditions and life-cycle).	2-1. Suitable culture conditions for increasing productivity of useful compounds are determined for selected microalgae species.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	2-1: On-going (light, temperature condition); Completed (nutrients, salinity conditions). High oil production culture conditions were established for <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> and <i>Messastrum gracile</i> microalgae model. Based on these findings, suitable culture conditions for inducing production of useful compounds are currently determined for the two selected microalgae species, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> . For <i>T. weissflogii</i> , the best culture conditions are full strength phosphate and nitrate in 20 ppt salinity to induce EPA content. Meanwhile for <i>I. galbana</i> , 1/4 strength of phosphate is the best to induce high DHA production.	
	2-2. Productivity of useful compounds is increased by twenty (20) percent as compared with the standard growth condition.	Project report and publication		2-2. On-going Productivity of carotenoids is currently determined for the cultured microalgae as in 2-1. For <i>I. galbana</i> , DHA production has been increased more than 20% by reducing phosphate (1/4 from the Control).	

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3. Efficient microalgae culturing technique utilizing growth-enhancing substances extracted from soil and sludge is proposed.	3-1. Optimal methodologies for extraction and fractionation of growth enhancing substances are identified.	3. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	3-1: By the development of a fully automatic fractionation system, the optimal methodologies for fractionation have been established . Additionally, the methodology of the molecular size fractionation by ultrafiltration with centrifugation has been established. Those two established fractionation techniques were applied to OVI. 3.2.	REMARKS (210930): Sampling trip to retrieve more soil samples for large-scale outdoor reactor is required, but currently postponed. We hope to retrieve more samples in Malaysia in Term 11. Processing soil samples for experimental use requires approximately 2-months to prepare.
	3-2. Using plate culture technique, relationships between enhancing effect on algal growth and chemical characteristics of soil extraction fraction are clarified.	Project report and publication		3-2: Using plate culture techniques, the growth effects on some algal species by the soil extracts have been clarified. Growth promoting effects of soil extracts have been determined on selected microalgae provided from the NIES culture collection. In cooperation with Theme 1, the growth promoting effects of soil extracts on high-valued microalgae have been investigated and then observed. Furthermore, the effective soil extract fractions were found by the combined experiment of plate incubation and fractionation. The role of each fraction (hydrophobic/hydrophilic) of soil extract was examined and the synergetic/offset effects of the fractions were determined by the advanced plate incubation experiments. Through the EEM-PARAFAC (Excitation Emission Matrix combined with Parallel Factor Analysis), it was suggested that either humic-acid like or marine-humic like fluorophores had the significantly correlated with the specific growth rate. Furthermore, it was suggested that iron is one of the most conceivable factors for the algal growth enhancement. Out of the 11 sites, 6 sites were completely examined for the 11 species of microalgae. The undiluted fraction of M-a samples was provided to UPM for further testing in small- and large-scale bioreactors. Characterization of the soil extracts with growth promoting effects are still in progress. Pristine soils dissolved organic matters and bacterial community profiling via shotgun metagenomics approach was successfully carried out on Royal Belum samples.	

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4. Closed photobioreactor is scaled up for outdoor culture.	4-1. An experimental small-scale CRADLE reactor whose biomass yield is two (2) ton per giga Joule, which is twenty (20) times higher than conventional reactors, is developed.	Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	4-1: Achieved in 2018 Culture experiments on Spirulina and Chlorella were carried out by using the laboratory-scale photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ (Term 3), which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. The laboratory-scale photobioreactor has been installed since 2016 (Term 1). Twelve (12) column reactors which control temperature and aeration rate were designed and installed in the laboratory (Term 2).	
	4-2. Scaled-up bag CRADLE reactor of more than one (1) square meter with an automated driving system, which can support a culture period of more than two (2) months, is developed.			4-2: Achieved in 2019 (Term 7) The scale-up novel bag photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM (Term 4) laboratory, and the culture experiment on indigenous Chaetoceros strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months (Term 7).	
	4-3. More than two (2) species of microalgae are cultured outdoors in sequenced bag reactors.			4-3: On-going (to be conducted from October 2021). The two species identified by Theme 1, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , are being tested to be used. The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors is being finalised and to be installed in October 2021 .	<p>The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors has been developed in consultation with Japanese chemical manufacturers.</p> <p>Three types of reactor materials were used for toxicity tests in November 2020 to evaluate the optimum material using 3 microalgal species (i.e., <i>Chaetoceros gracilis</i>, <i>Isochrysis galbana</i>, <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i>).</p> <p>The trial run of the low-cost drive using an actuator was completed in early 2021.</p> <p>The prototype was installed at Soka University to monitor the operational performance in March 2021.</p>

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
5. Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are developed.	5-1. Technology for ammonia and phosphorus recovery from aquaculture pond sludge is established .	5. Project report and publication	Biological and other related samples can be brought to Japan for analyses.	5-1: Achieved in lab-scale experiments (Term 5-6). Bacillus sp. strain R2 was successfully isolated from sludge compost sample. We have found the optimum fermentation temperature, prospective sludge-degrading microorganism, and liming effect for enhancing NH3 recovery (Term5). The ammonia production potential of shrimp sludge was 5.4 kg-N per one ton of sludge. This is sufficient for the project goal "production of 10 kg dry weight of algal biomass (=0.9 kg-N) from one ton of sludge". Ca(OH) ₂ dosing operation to enhance ammonia volatilization was established without inhibiting microbial activity, both in lab-scale and bench-scale . Sludge sampling in Malaysia (Term 2 and 3). Designed a system for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge (Term 3). Set up the outdoor medium-scale nutrient recycling system (Bench-scale nutrient recycling system) (Term 4). Delivered the outdoor large-scale nutrient recycling system (Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system) to the demo site (Term 8). The modification of the Outdoor large-scale nutrient recycle system was completed (Term 9-10).	Been modifying the Pilot-scale nutrient recycling system (4 m ³) at the demo-site for improving the system safety and to install the gas absorption system. UPM started to examine plant growth effect of the shrimp sludge compost, expecting the growth of some halo-tolerant and high-value crops (mango and fig) using saline sludge.
	5-2. Technology to utilize ammonia as a low-cost alternative nitrogen source is established .			5-2: Trial run completed, full operation planned at the demo site Proposed a two-stage gas absorption system to optimize a NH3 trapping/storage/supply method. Installed the sludge de-watering facility to pretreat large amounts of sludge at the demo site. The trial run of the two-stage gas absorption system and sludge de-watering facility were conducted and progress of thermophilic composting was confirmed (Term 11).	
6. Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.	6-1. Calculated life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost . 6-2. The system is proven not to negatively affect the current aquaculture production. 6-3. Total CO2 emission by Life cycle assessment is reduced as compared to conventional sludge treatment methods .	6. Project report and publication		6-1: The calculation of life cycle revenue generated from a production unit exceeds life cycle cost was achieved (Term 11). Collecting the algal biomass production will be necessary for the final evaluation in February 2022. 6-2: The evaluation of negative affects of no leakage of culture and toxic chemicals of the integrated system to current aquaculture production will be completed in February 2022. 6-3: The calculation of total CO2 emission was achieved (Term 11). Scenario simulations and evaluation system boundaries are being conducted until February 2022.	A detailed Life Cycle Cost (LCC) assessment suggests that application of the integrated project technologies (utilized at the demo-site) for 40 ha scale shrimp farm (1 ha plastic-lined shrimp pond x 40, which is a common scale in Malaysia) with plastic lining in Malaysia will recover the initial cost within 1-year of operation. However, the LCC estimation is based on preliminary (lab-scale) micro-algae culture information, and it is necessary to reassess specific calculations upon obtaining micro-algae growth from the demo-site operation planned in February 2022.

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumption	Achievement	Remarks
Activities			Inputs		Pre-Conditions
1-1. Collect microalgae from various inland and coastal water bodies in Peninsular Malaysia. 1-2. Screen, isolate and purify the collected microalgae. 1-3. Characterize microalgae for high contents of valuable compounds. 1-4. Conduct incubation experiments using variable growth conditions.			The Japanese Side <u>Dispatch of Experts</u> Long-term Expert: Project Coordinator Short-term Expert: • Planktonology • Phycology • Molecular biology/ Microbiology • Photobiology and optics of natural environments • Natural product chemistry/ Natural organic chemistry/ Soil chemistry • Analytical chemistry • Water chemistry • Chemical engineering/ Bioreactor engineering • Waste treatment science • Other specialists as needed	The Malaysian Side Services of the Malaysian Counterpart personnel and administrative personnel Suitable office space with necessary equipment Supply or replacement of machinery, equipment, instruments, vehicles, tools, spare parts and any other materials necessary for the implementation of the Project other than the Equipment provided by JICA Running expenses necessary for the implementation of the Project (in the form of matching fund).	Terms and conditions to conduct collaborative research activities are agreed between Japanese implementing institutions and Malaysian implementing institutions
2-1. Conduct incubation experiments under controlled culture conditions to enhance productivity of useful compounds. 2-2. Characterize and quantify the useful compounds in cultured microalgae as in 2-1.					
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsular Malaysia. 3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods. 3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts. 3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and examine the growth-promoting fractions from soil and sludge extraction. 3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-promoting fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.			Equipment and equipment To be elaborated later. Training in Japan Necessary expenses, except for the running cost, for the collaborative research activities.		<div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> <Issues and countermeasures> </div>
4-1. Develop culture methods of selected microalgae in a small scale photobioreactor. 4-2. Develop scaled-up novel photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. 4-3. Develop a multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors.					
5-1. Establish a technology for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge. 5-2. Establish a technology utilizing nutrients for microalgae production.					
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC. 6-2. Evaluate the influence of the installed algae production system on aquaculture pond production and the environment.					

Project Monitoring Sheet II (Plan of Operation)

PO version 1 (Approved JCC5, 28 August 2020)

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Inputs	Project Duration		1st Year				2nd Year				3rd Year				4th Year				5th Year				6th Year				Remarks	Issue/ Remarks	Solution				
	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.		Term 1				Term 2				Term 3				Term 4																		
	Monitoring Sheet (Report)		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	Term 7	Term 8	Term 9	Term 10	Term 11	Term 12																			
	Year		2016				2017				2018				2019				2020				2021							2022			
MCO(Movement Control Order)		Listed below is the Movement Control Orders (MCOs) to contain the Covid-19 outbreaks																															
Expert	AFF No.																																
Planktonologist 1/ Project Leader (T. Toda)	SU 1	Plan	[Gantt chart for T. Toda]																												SU	<p>Since May 2020, planned dispatchment from Japan was suspended due to Covid-19 pandemic to up-to-date.</p> <p>In order to contain the COVID-19 pandemic, the government of Malaysia initiated the Movement Control Order (MCO), effective on 18 March 2020. The MCO order was extended three times, each for additional two week period, until 12 May 2020. On 13 May, the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO) was issued. On 8 June, the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO) was issued. On 25 March, the MCO was extended until 14 April. On 10 April, the MCO was extended until 28 April. On 23 April, the MCO was extended until 12 May. On 11 May, the CMCO was initiated as per 13 May until 9 June. On 7 June, the RMCO was initiated as per 10 June until 31 August. On 28 August, the RMCO was extended until 31 December. source:https://www.mdbc.com.my/mco-updates/</p> <p>On 14 October, the CMCO was implemented until 27 October. On 27 October, the CMCO was extended until 9 November. On 8 November, the CMCO was extended until 6 December. On 7 December, the CMCO was extended until 20 December. On 28 December, the CMCO was extended until 14 January. On 1 January 2021, the RMCO was extended until 31 March 2021. On 11 January, the MCO was issued until 26 January. A state of emergency in the federation until early August, more than half a year from January. On 21 January, the MCO was extended until 4 February. On 2 February, the MCO was extended until 18 February. On 16 February, the MCO was extended until 4 March (for KL and Selangor). On 2 March, the MCO was replaced by the CMCO from 5 to 18 March.(for KL and Selangor). On 16 March, the CMCO was extended until 31 March (for KL and Selangor). On 30 March, the CMCO was extended until 14 April.</p> <p>On 12 April, the CMCO was extended until 28 April. On 27 April, the CMCO was extended until 17 May. On 6 May, the MCO was declared once again until 6 June. From 1 to 14 June, Full MCO (FMCO) was implemented across the country. On 11 June, the FMCO was extended until 28 June. On 28 June, the FMCO was extended until clear the target of 4,000 new cases/ day. On 1 July, Enhanced MCO (EMCO) was implemented in the targeted district in KL and Selangor from 3 to 16 July. From 10 September, Selangor joined Putrajaya and Kuala Lumpur in transitioning to Phase Two of the National Recovery Plan (NRP).. Langkawi island reopened public access from 16 September 2021. From 1 October, Selangor, Putrajaya and Kuala Lumpur entered Phase Three of the National Recovery Plan (NRP).</p>	To follow the instruction and regulation from the government
Planktonologist 2 (M. Hirahara)	SU 2	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Hirahara]																												SU		
Planktonologist 3 (Y. Takayama)	UT 3	Plan	[Gantt chart for Y. Takayama]																												SU		
Phycologist 1 (K. Takahashi)	UT 4	Plan	[Gantt chart for K. Takahashi]																												UTokyo		
Phycologist 2 (M. Sato)	UT 5	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Sato]																												UTokyo		
Phycologist 3 (T. Katayama)	UT 6	Plan	[Gantt chart for T. Katayama]																												UTokyo		
Phycologist 4 (M. Ohtake)	UT 7	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Ohtake]																												SU		
Advisor/ Phycologist 4 (K. Furuya)	SU 8	Plan	[Gantt chart for K. Furuya]																												SU		
Microbiologist (N. Kurosawa)	SU 9	Plan	[Gantt chart for N. Kurosawa]																												SU		
Photobiologist (V. Kuwahara)	SU 10	Plan	[Gantt chart for V. Kuwahara]																												SU		
Natural product chemist (M. Watanabe or Tominaga), Watanabe Oyster Laboratory	WO L 11	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Watanabe or Tominaga]																												Watanabe Oyster Laboratory (WOL)		
Natural organic chemist/Soil chemist, GC-MAS	SU 12	Plan	[Gantt chart for Natural organic chemist/Soil chemist]																												SU		
Analytical chemist 2 LC-MAS	13	Plan	[Gantt chart for Analytical chemist 2 LC-MAS]																														
Water chemist 1 (A. Imai)	NIE S 14	Plan	[Gantt chart for A. Imai]																												NIES		
Water chemist 2 (K. Komatsu)	NIE S 15	Plan	[Gantt chart for K. Komatsu]																												NIES		
Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 3 (T. Matsuyama)	SU 16	Plan	[Gantt chart for T. Matsuyama]																												SU		
Chemical engineer/Bioreactor engineer 4 (J. Ida)	SU 17	Plan	[Gantt chart for J. Ida]																												SU		
Waste treatment scientist 1 (K. Nakasaki)	TT 18	Plan	[Gantt chart for K. Nakasaki]																												Tokyo Tech		
Waste treatment scientist 2 (M. Kovama)	TT 19	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Kovama]																												Tokyo Tech		
Waste Treatment Scientist 3 (T.N.M. Quyen)	TT 20	Plan	[Gantt chart for T.N.M. Quyen]																												Tokyo Tech		
Electron Microscopist (M. Kuwata)	SU 21	Plan	[Gantt chart for M. Kuwata]																												SU		
JICA Project Coordinator Ms. Mari Miller Mr. Masaru Yamada	N.A. 22	Plan	[Gantt chart for JICA Project Coordinator]																												Not available		
Equipment		[Gantt chart for Equipment]																													The reactor (Theme 3) was delivered to the demo site in Malaysia on 14th October 2021. The composting reactor (Theme 4) was assembled as of March 2021 and is needed to be tested before functioning.		
Transport, installation and commissioning of equipment purchased in Japan		Plan	[Gantt chart for Transport, installation and commissioning]																														
Training in Japan		[Gantt chart for Training in Japan]																													Planned training in 2020 was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.		
Training at NIES		Plan	[Gantt chart for Training at NIES]																												NIES		
Training at Utokyo		Plan	[Gantt chart for Training at Utokyo]																												Tokyo Tech		
Training at Tokyo Tech		Plan	[Gantt chart for Training at Tokyo Tech]																												UTokyo		
Training at SU		Plan	[Gantt chart for Training at SU]																												SU		
In-country/Third country Training		[Gantt chart for In-country/Third country Training]																													Workshop on centrifuge and photo bio-reactor was conducted at the demo site (2021.10).		
Workshop in Malaysia, held by Japanese Researchers		Plan	[Gantt chart for Workshop in Malaysia]																														

Inputs	Project Duration		1st Year		2nd Year		3rd Year		4th Year		5th Year		6th Year		Remarks	Issue/ Remarks	Solution	
	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.		Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5		Term 6					
	Monitoring Sheet (Report)		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	Term 7	Term 8	Term 9	Term 10	Term 11	Term 12				
	Year		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022									
Output 3: Effects of fractions of growth-promoting soil extracts on selected microalgae and chemical properties of the																		
3-1. Collect soil and sludge from various locations in Peninsula Malaysia.	Plan															NIES UNISEL	All samples have been collected/ completed (Term 7). For the application at the demonstration site, soil samples at Singa Island and Timun Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve will be additionally obtained. The following is the completed works in the previous years: Obtained permission for soil sampling (Perak, Johore, Pahang, Terengganu and Kelantan) from the HQ of Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia, Ministry of Natural Resources & Environment (18 January 2017). Soil samplings at three different sites in Selangor were completed: Rentas Saga Shrimp Ponds (RSSP), Raja Musa Peat-Swamp Forest Reserve (RMFR), and Ayer Hitam Forest Reserve (AHFR), Selangor (Term 3). Completed for all 9 sites (Raja Musa Peat Swamp Forest, Air Hitam, Royal Belum, Tasik Kenyir, Tasik Bera, Tasik Chini, Pulau Langkawi, Prawn Farm Tanjung Karang, and Fish Pond Sludge Kuala Selangor, Term 7).	REMARKS (210930): Sampling trip to retrieve more soil samples for large-scale outdoor reactor is required, but currently postponed. We hope to retrieve more samples in Malaysia in Term 11.
	Actual																	
3-2. Study soil and sludge extraction methods.	Plan															NIES UNISEL	This has been completed where the methods have been identified and established. The following is the completed works in the previous years. Nine (9) different soil extraction conditions were designed and tested for yield recovery, chemical and plate incubation analyses (Term 3). Completed where seven (7) extraction methods were tested namely 1H, 4H, 24H natural extraction, 105°C, 105°C two hours extraction, 121°C and 121°C two hours extraction (Term 7).	
	Actual																	
3-3. Examine and optimize the fractionation method of soil and sludge extracts.	Plan															NIES UNISEL	This activity has been completed. In addition to the resin fractionation technique, the molecular size fractionation method by using UF membranes has been established. The following is the completed works in the previous years. The fractionation system, multi-plate reader and related equipment were installed and related training was conducted in February 2017. The various techniques of soil identification, soil collections and the use of various equipment were carried out at RISDA-ESPEK Academy in Keratong, Rompin Pahang in March 2017. (Term 2). The custom-made automatic fractionation system is being modified based on the results of preliminary experiments (Term2). The custom-made automatic fractionation system was confirmed to be comparable to the conventional fractionation system. Several conditions of using soil extracts collected from sampling sites were examined (Term 3). A fully automatic fractionation system has been certified as an employee invention by NIES and the patent procedures has been completed (Term 5). Completed successfully where automated fractionation system invented by NIES Japan scientists have been setup and optimized to be used by Malaysian scientists in Unisel Bestari Jaya campus. During the optimization period 9 samples were successfully fractionated into humic and non-humic substances (Term 7).	
	Actual																	
3-4. Conduct plate culture technique and identify the growth-enhancing fractions from soil and sludge extraction.	Plan															NIES UNISEL	Plate incubation experiments using microalgal strains selected by Theme 1 have been continued. It was found that L-b (soil extract of Singa Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve) and L-a (soil extract of Timun Island in Pulau Langkawi Forest Reserve) were the most effective for growth-promoting of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> (selected high-value microalgae in SATREPS-COSMOS program), respectively. 1 new high-value strain <i>Chaetoceros</i> will be tested again using 9 soils extract.	
	Actual																	

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	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.		Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 4		Term 4					
	Monitoring Sheet (Report)		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6	Term 7	Term 8	Term 9	Term 10	Term 11	Term 12				
	Year		2016	2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022				
3-5. Examine the chemical characteristics of the growth-enhancing fractions and their effects on the physiological responses of microalgae.	Plan														NIES UNISEL	The growth-promoting effects of DOM fractions were examined by the advanced plate incubation experiments. In the case of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> , the hydrophobic fraction showed better growth effects than the hydrophilic fraction or non-fractionated soil extracts. Through EEM-PARAFAC, it was suggested that all the S.E. should commonly include 4 kinds of fluorophore components (C-P: protein-like, C-M: marine-humic like, C-F: fulvic-acid like and C-H: humic-acid like). The percentages of the C-H and C-M were significantly correlated with the standardized specific growth rates of <i>Thalassiosira weissflogii</i> and <i>Isochrysis galbana</i> , respectively. In addition, since the highest iron concentration in L-b which was one of the most effective soil extracts was observed, it may suggest that iron supply is also one of the most conceivable factors for the algal growth enhancement.		
	Actual																	
Output 4: Closed photobioreactor is scaled-up for outdoor culture.																		
4-1. Develop culture methods of indigenous microalgae in a small scale reactor. Note: A laboratory-scale photobioreactor	Plan															SU UPM	Culture experiments on <i>Spirulina</i> and <i>Chlorella</i> were carried out by using the small-scale novel photobioreactor and achieved the yield of more than 2 Ton-Dry biomass per GJ, which is around 20 times high energy efficiency compared to the value in a current raceway pond. Thus, the "Objectively verifiable indicators of 4.1" in PDM has been completed.	
	Actual																	
4-2. Develop scaled-up CRADLE photobioreactor for outdoor mass culture. Note: A scale-up novel photobioreactor	Plan															SU UPM	A scale-up novel photobioreactor system was installed in a UPM laboratory in March 2018 (Term 5), and the culture experiment on indigenous <i>Chaetoceros</i> strain, which produces high value compounds, was operated continuously for more than 2 months (Term 7).	
	Actual																	
4-3. Develop a multi-sequence of operational bag reactors. Note: The multi-sequence system of operational photobioreactors	Plan															SU UPM	The construction of demonstration site in UPM was completed as of October 2020 (Term 9). More experiments are being carried out on the selected high microalgae species (from UMT) to predict their responses in the outdoor bioreactors using soil extract obtained from UniSel. Unfortunately, some experiments were delayed due to CMCO.	A multi-sequence of operational bag reactor is being developed and to be delivered to the demo site in October
	Actual																	

Inputs	Project Duration												Remarks	Issue/ Remarks	Solution													
	Contract btw JICA and Soka Univ.																											
	1st Year			2nd Year			3rd Year			4th Year						5th Year			6th Year									
	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Term 5		Term 6					Term 7		Term 8		Term 9		Term 10		Term 11		Term 12		
Monitoring Sheet (Report)																												
Year		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022														
Output 5: Technologies for recovery of nutrients from aquaculture pond sludge and utilization of the nutrients for microalgae production are																												
5-1. Establish technology for recycling nutrients from aquaculture waste for use in microalgae production.	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars from Term 1 to Term 12]																								Tokyo Tech	UPM	Several research works and trials are being conducted: lab-scale (100 mL) optimization has been completed (clarifying the bottle-neck step of sludge fermentation, optimum temperature, effectiveness of NH3 volatilization operation by alkaline agent dosing). The effect of alkaline agent was also clarified in bench-scale (200 L). The self-heating capacity of the shrimp sludge was in bench-scale. The phosphate recovery and salinity removal from the fermentation solid residue of shrimp sludge was clarified in lab-scale. The plant growth using the shrimp sludge compost is ongoing. Works on the use of equipment at the demo site to produce ammonia have been slow due to COVID19 pandemic. The modification of the Outdoor large-scale nutrient recycle system was completed (Term 9-10). The trial run of the Outdoor large-scale nutrient recycle system was conducted and progress of thermophilic composting was confirmed (Term 11).
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars from Term 1 to Term 12]																										
5-2 Establish technology and method for recycling waste from the whole system.	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars from Term 3 to Term 12]																								Tokyo Tech	UPM	Not yet established. Several research works and trials are being conducted: a two-stage gas absorption system was proposed for the complete NH3 recovery and efficient nutrient storage/supply. TITech and UPM completed constructing the sludge de-watering unit to pretreat large amounts of sludge, in order to operate the pilot-scale nutrient recycling system at demo-site.
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars from Term 3 to Term 12]																										
Output 6: Economic profitability and environmental compatibility of the system are verified.																												
6-1. Analyze environmental impact and economic value of the production system by LCA and LCC.	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars from Term 4 to Term 12]																								SU	UPM	The system scale was determined as "40 shrimp ponds (common scale for small-scale shrimp farm)" to economically treat the sludge. Three scenarios were constructed in which 100%, 50%, and 25% of the recovered ammonia were used in PBR, respectively (Term 11).
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars from Term 4 to Term 12]																										
6-2. Monitor biological production and environmental properties in aquaculture pond installed with algae production system.	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars from Term 4 to Term 12]																								SU	UPM	To be conducted in February 2022.
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars from Term 4 to Term 12]																										
Duration / Phasing	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars from Term 1 to Term 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars from Term 1 to Term 12]																										
Monitoring Plan																												
Joint Coordinating Committee	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
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Submission of Monitoring Sheet	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Monitoring Mission from Japan	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Joint Monitoring	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
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Post Monitoring	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Reports/Documents	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Project Completion Report	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Public Relations	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Opening project's website	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
Press release	Plan	[Gantt chart: Blue bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										
	Actual	[Gantt chart: Red bars at Term 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]																										

3. Tentative Plan after COSMOS Project

Post COSMOS Exit Strategy: BLUE-SEED Project (2022-2026)

B	Business & Commercialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Business model and industrial linkage development – LCA / LCC✓ Early private sector engagement; technology transfer engagement✓ Commercialization of products, <i>i.e.</i> patents, PBR system, high-value microalgae biomass, nutrient recycle system, <i>etc.</i>✓ Certification & Accreditation; Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
R	Research & Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Product and technology improvement; low-cost, high-performance✓ ABS & MTA Agreements and MOU/MOA✓ Active researcher exchange and collaboration including private sector✓ Research grant and funding application✓ Continuation of field and laboratory experiments for optimization
S	Social Engagement & Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Stakeholder engagement, <i>i.e.</i>, shrimp farmers, Malaysia Fisheries Society, SPLAM (Malaysia Aquaculture Farm Certification Scheme), Best Aquaculture Practice (BAP), government agencies, <i>etc.</i>✓ Education outreach, SDGs & STEM programs; K-12 and higher learning✓ Community outreach: development for B40 communities
D	Demonstration Site & Donated Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ On-going research and maintenance✓ Collaboration development with industry and research access✓ Algal biorefinery plant development✓ Microalgae & aquaculture hub✓ Fish culturing and horticulture expansion; blue-culturing

