

## News

A research article written by Assistant Professor Tsubaki has been awarded for Research Presentation Prize (oral presentation) in 24th Research Conference held by The Japan Wood.

Shuntaro Tsubaki, Ph.D. has participated in “24<sup>th</sup> Research Conference, The Chugoku & Shikoku Branch of The Japan Wood Research Society” at the University of Tokushima on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012. He has received Presentation Award for oral presentation, entitled “Compositional analysis of cuticular membrane isolated from leaves of *Camellia sinensis*, and its application for biorefinery of green tea residues”

He presented changes in the chemical properties of cuticular membranes isolated from leaves of *C. sinensis* in adaxial and abaxial sides of the leaves, cultivar and their developmental stages. In addition, cutin fraction in green tea residue was successfully biorefined by applying microwave irradiation technology.

