Professor Ikuhara (PI) honored with "Humboldt Research Award".

Prof. Ikuhara, PI of WPI-AIMR, wins Humboldt Research Awards, bestowed by the <u>Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</u> in Germany, an organization that promotes academic co-operation between excellent scientists and scholars from abroad and from Germany. The award is granted in recognition of a researcher's entire achievements to date to academics whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements in the future. Prof. Ikuhara becomes the 3rd Japanese winner in the field of materials science. The award ceremony will be held at Bamberg in Germany on March, 2011, and the reception will be given by the President of the Federal Republic of Germany on June, 2011.