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2009 Ph.D. Engineering, Nara Institute of Science and Technology.

Academic Positions

2009–2011 Postdoctoral Fellow, Nara Institute of Science and Technology.

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2015 JNNS (Japanese Neural Network Society) Best Paper Award.

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