The Special Interest Group on New Medicines will provide a platform for the discussion of a wide range of research topics in the pharmaceutical sciences related to drug discovery and development. Importantly, this includes early-stage drug development, with research areas in medicinal chemistry, natural medicines, pharmacology, cell and gene therapies and biologics. Synergy of these topics will corroborate the important role of pharmacists in health care, with new insights in emerging trends in drug discovery and development.

Takuya Kumamoto (Chair)
Michiho Ito (FG Chair Natural products and Traditional medicines)
Chun-Wai Mai (FG Chair Pharmacology)
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Assoc Prof. Michiho Ito (FG Chair Natural Products and Traditional Medicines, Kyoto Univ) published 20 short videos describing the medicinal plants grown in the Experimental Station for Medicinal Plants, Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kyoto University, and uploaded them to a new YouTube channel. These videos, in Japanese, can also be viewed with subtitles in Chinese, English, French and Vietnamese. 

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrOy6qGkNYM&list=PLQWoUV63kYU9zhF6JcH5lgXFvmwJjp

Goals in 2022:

- Goal #1: Digital Event “Combatting Malaria: New horizon of vaccines and drug discovery by young pharmaceutical scientists” co-organized with SIG NGPS (Feb 9th 2022)
- Goal #2: To propose session speakers to World Congress 2022.
- Goal #3: Increase the visibility of the New Medicines SIG by creating an online platform (e.g LinkedIn, Facebook etc)