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Title of	Basic research on Optimum Production, Transportation and Storage Method of Natural					
Project	Methane Gas Hydrate					
Abstract of	Oceanic methane hydrate reserved below the deep ocean of EEZ of Japan is exclusive					
Research	domestic resource. In this research, commercial production, transportation and storage					
Project	method of methane produced from the methane hydrate is studied and most efficient system					
	is proposed preceding Japanese domestic program.					
	Production system is installed in deep ocean, typically of Nankai Trough, and exposed to					
	harsh environmental condition due to Kuroshio current and typhoon. Advanced Floating					
	Production System specializing in development of methane hydrate is studied.					
	Transportation of methane using submerged pipeline and transportation in liquid phase using					
	GTL and LNG technology is studied and most efficient system is proposed.					
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	Semisubmersible-Type-Mega-Float in Waves and Accuracy of Hydroelastic Response					
	Analysis Program VODAC", 21th International Conference on Offshore Mechanics and					
	Arctic Engineering, OMAE2002/OSU28215, 2002.					
Term of Project	Fiscal years	s 2003-2007 . (5yea	ars)			
Budget	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY200	5 FY2007	TOTAL
Allocation	17,1	100 11,600	15,600	9	,400 2,60	0 56,300
(in thousand of yen)						
Homepage Addr	ess		None			