## **BUILDINGS AND CAMPUS**

The IMS campus covering 62,343 m<sup>2</sup> is located on a low hill in the middle of Okazaki city. The inequality in the surface of the hill and growing trees are preserved as much as possible, and low-storied buildings are adopted for conservation of the environment. The buildings of IMS are separated according to their functions as shown in the map. The Research Office Building and all Research Facilities except for the Computer Center are linked organically to the Main Laboratory Buildings by corridors. Computer Center, Library and Administration Buildings are situated between IMS and neighboring National Institute for Basic Biology and National Institute for Physiological Sciences, because the latter two facilities are common to these three institutes.

The lodging facility of IMS called Yamate Lodge, located within ten minutes' walk, has sleeping accommodations for 15 guests and two families. Mishima Lodge, located within four minutes' walk east of IMS can accommodate 74 guests and 20 families. Scientists who visit IMS as well as the two other institutes can make use of these facilities. Foreign visiting scientists can also live at these lodgings with their families during their stays. The Okazaki Conference Center was built in April, 1997 in Mishima area, which has four conference rooms capable of between 50 and 250 attendance.





Okazaki (population 330,000) is 260 km west of Tokyo, and can be reached by train in about 3 hours from Tokyo via Shinkansen and Meitetsu Line. The nearest large city is Nagoya, about 40 km northwest of Okazaki.

