



**18th International Symposium on Origin of Matter and
Evolution of Galaxies (OMEG18 2026)**

April 9, 2026

SECOND CIRCULAR

The 18th International Symposium on Origin of Matter and Evolution of Galaxies will be held at RIKEN (Wako Campus), Japan, from October 19 through 23, 2026. OMEG18 is the 18th symposium in a series held almost biannually since 1988. The symposium aims to promote discussions on nuclear astrophysics and related fields, bringing together researchers and students from a broad range of disciplines.

Online abstract submission starts from April 9, 2026.
Important dates are listed at the end of this circular.

<INVITED SPEAKERS>

Tentative list of invited speakers is on the following web page:
<https://indico2.riken.jp/event/5341/page/483-invited-speakers>

<SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE>

OMEG18 starts from October 19, 2026, with a welcome reception, followed by invited and contributed presentations from October 20 through 23, 2026. Poster sessions will also be held.

<SYMPOSIUM VENUE AND ACCESS>

The symposium will take place at RIKEN in Wako City, Saitama Prefecture. Details on the symposium venue and access are given on the following web pages:
<https://indico2.riken.jp/event/5341/page/484-travel-information>

<SOCIAL EVENTS>

The following social events are planned:

- Welcome reception on Monday evening, October 19
- Excursion in the afternoon of Thursday, October 22
- Banquet dinner on Thursday, October 22

<ABSTRACT SUBMISSION>

On-line abstract submission for OMEG will be available from April 9, 2026. Please note that the abstract submission deadline is June 21, 2026. Contributors will be informed of the decisions on invited/oral/poster presentations by July 31, 2026.

<REGISTRATION>

The on-line registration for OMEG will be available from May 1, 2026, on:
<https://indico2.riken.jp/event/5341/page/486-registration-fee-and-payment>

The early regular registration fee until August 30 is 45,000 JPY. Graduate and undergraduate students are eligible for a reduced early registration fee of 20,000 JPY. After August 30, 2026, the regular registration fee is 50,000 JPY, with 25,000 JPY for graduate and undergraduate students. The fee for an accompanying person is 20,000 JPY. The registration fee includes coffee breaks, the symposium banquet (Thursday evening), lunch (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday), the symposium reception (Monday evening), and poster session supplements (Wednesday). The registration fee for an accompanying person includes only the reception, excursion, and banquet.

Registration will be completed with payment of the fee. Details for the payment procedures will be displayed on the registration web page. All payments must be made in Japanese yen.

<SUPPORT>

Partial support will be available for young scientists, including students who are not financially supported by their home institute. Please contact the organizers for the details.

<POSTER AWARDS>

The best poster presentations delivered by young scientists will be awarded prizes on the last day of the symposium.

<VISA ASSISTANCE>

Those who need documents for the visa application must register by July 31. The organizer will contact you for the detailed procedure. The visa documents will be sent by the end of August.

If you need an invitation letter in advance to obtain your passport, you should register first without requesting visa documents, and then modify the registration after the passport is issued.

<ACCOMODATION>

There are three hotels in front of Wako-shi Station. Many convenient hotels are also located along the Tobu Tojo Line or near Ikebukuro Station.

<WEBSITE AND CONTACT>

Symposium website:

<https://indico2.riken.jp/event/5341/>

Inquiries:

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<SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES>

Abstract submission: April 9, 2026 - June 21, 2026

Oral presentation notification: July 31, 2026

Early registration: May 1, 2026 - August 30, 2026

On-line registration deadline: October 12, 2026