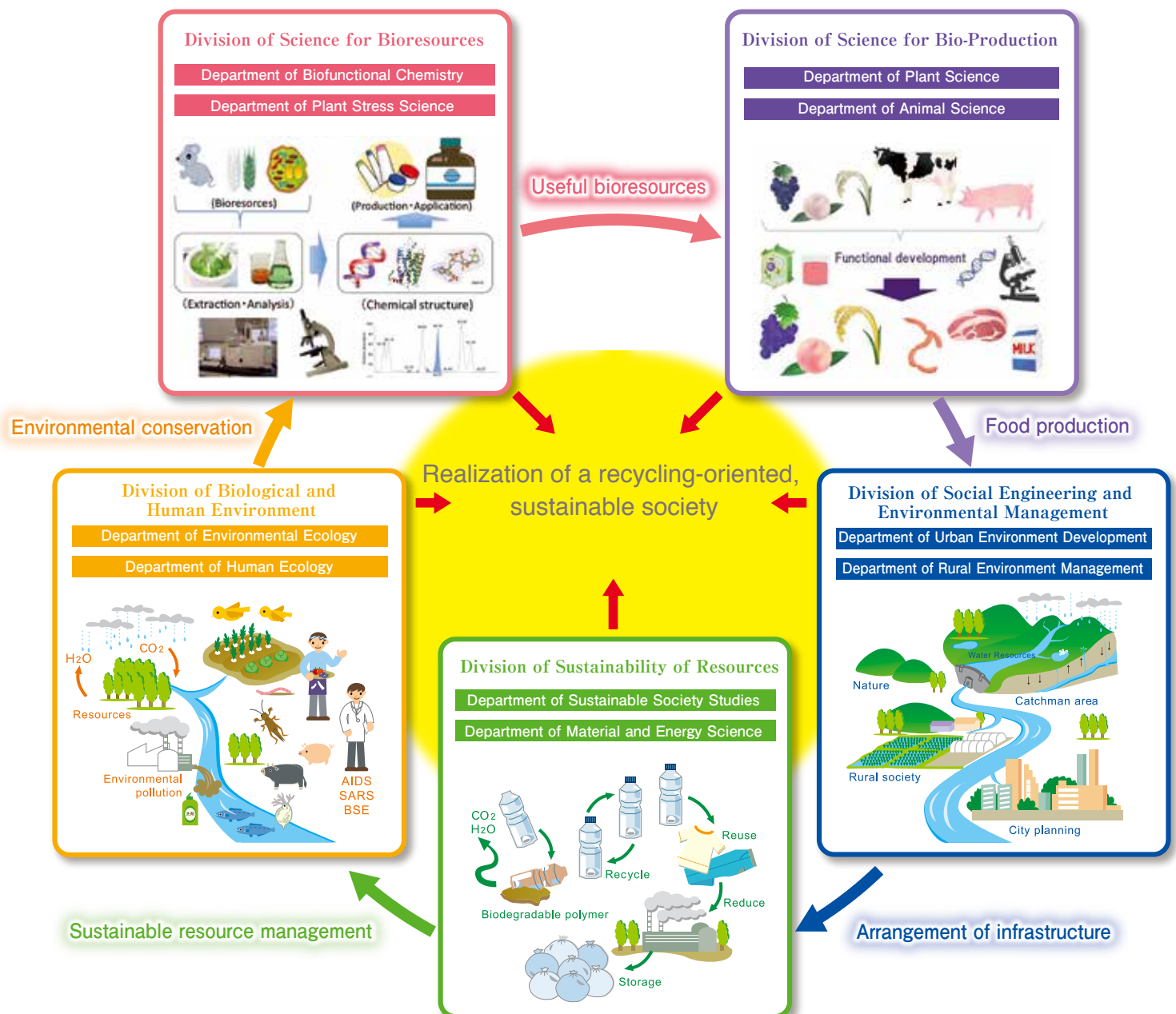


## Philosophy and Goals

Okayama University established the Graduate School of Environmental and Life Science in April 2012, combining the Graduate School of Environmental Science, which integrated the fields of social, medical, and natural sciences, with agriculture-related departments of the Division of Bioscience, the Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology. These departments sought to secure sustainable food production by dealing with productivity fluctuations due to global population growth and climate change. This newly established graduate school intends to advance the conventional concept of interdisciplinary integration.

### Interdisciplinary and international education and research, transcending the boundaries of environmental and food areas



The Graduate School of Environmental and Life Science comprises five divisions in the master's course and two divisions in the doctor's course. The objectives are to realize a recycling-oriented society, which is urgently needed to achieve sustainable social development, and to address the challenge of ensuring food safety. In the educational aspect, the Graduate School fosters human resources that can take the lead in providing solutions to these challenges, through close cooperation and collaboration with the Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology. In the research aspect, the Graduate School aims to build up a new academic framework that can resolve these challenges.

## Graduate School of Environmental and Life Science and its relationships with other faculties

