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Christianity on the Internet (coauthor with S. Nomoto), Tokyo: Kyobun-kan, 2003.

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- “The Past, Present, and Future of Korean and Japanese Societies from the Perspective of Eschatological Thought”, *Studies in Christianity* 63/1, 2001 (In Japanese and Korean).
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- “Christianity and Life Science: Focusing on Responsibility”, *Studies in Christianity* 62/1, 2000.
- “A Hermeneutical Study of Eschatology: Apocalypticism and Thought of Wisdom”, *Studies in Christianity* 61/2, 1999.
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- “The Gender of God: A Dialogue with Feminist Theology”, *Religion and Society* 4, 1998.
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