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His main research interests include:

- the mechanism of inflammatory skin diseases (atopic dermatitis, contact dermatitis, and psoriasis) in humans and mice
- 3D visualization of the skin using two-photon microscopy.

Kabashima graduated from Kyoto University in Kyoto, Japan, before training in medicine/dermatology at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Yokosuka Japan, Kyoto University Hospital, and the University of Washington Medical Center.

At Kyoto University, he started his research on lipid mediators in immunology, which led to a PhD. Kabashima also studied at Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine's Department of Dermatology; the University of California, San Francisco; and the University of Occupational and Environmental Health Japan.

Kabashima's hobbies include running marathons with finish times under 3 hours, trail running (like the 166-km [103-mile] Ultra-Trail du Mont-Blanc), climbing, golfing, and traveling.