Program

March 18 (Fri) at Okazaki Conference Center (OCC)

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

Opening Remarks

09:00 - 09:05 Naoto Ueno (National Institute for Basic Biology, Japan)

Plenary Lecture 1

Chair: Kiyoshi Naruse and Toshio Tanaka

09:05 - 09:45 "Medaka as a Model for Human Diabetic Nephropathy"

Tomoko Obara (University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, USA)

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 $\textbf{09:} \textbf{45-10:} \textbf{10} \qquad \textbf{``Multiple Roles of Hippo-YAP Signaling Pathway in Organ}$

Development: Lessons from Medaka and Zebrafish"

Yoichi Asaoka (Yamaguchi University, Japan)

10:10 - 10:35 "Viable Neuropathic Gauche Disease Model in Medaka (Oryzias

latipes) Displays Axonal Accumulation of Alpha-Synuclein"

Norihito Uemura (Kyoto University, Japan)

10:35 - 10:50 Coffee Break

10:50 - 11:15 "Zebrafish-Based Drug Discovery and Systems Pharmacology"

Toshio Tanaka (Mie University, Japan)

11:15 - 11:40 "Leptin Receptor Knockout Medaka Exhibit Hyperglycemia due

to Impaired Insulin Secretion"

Shin-ichi Chisada (National Institute for Basic Biology, Japan)

Session 2

Chair: Takashi Kato and Masasuke Araki

11:40 - 12:05 "Evoking Functional Joint Regeneration in Xenopus laevis Using

Reintegration Mechanism"

Kiyokazu Agata (Kyoto University, Japan)

12:05 - 12:30 "Xenopus as a Useful Resource for Studying Gene Evolution and Disease-causing Mutations"

Hajime Ogino (Nagahama Institute of Bio-Science and Technology, Japan)

12:30 - 13:45 Lunch

Plenary Lecture 2

Chair: Kiyokazu Agata and Hajime Ogino

13:45 - 14:25 "How Symbiosis Changes the Way We See Nature and Study Disease and Toxicology"

Scott F. Gilbert (Swarthmore College, USA)

Session 3

Chair: Kiyokazu Agata and Hajime Ogino

14:25 - 14:50 "Xenopus Model of Retinal Regeneration as an Approach to the Development of Mammalian Ocular Tissue Stem Cells"

Masasuke Araki (Nara Medical University, Japan)

14:50 - 15:15 "Skin Regeneration of *Xenopus*, as a Model for Scar-Free Skin Regeneration in Adulthood"

Hitoshi Yokoyama (Hirosaki University, Japan)

15:15 - 15:40 "Organ Regeneration; Pioneering Another Choice"

Akira Satoh (Okayama University, Japan)

15:40 - 16:05 "The Great Capacity of the Ependymal Cells of the Spinal Cord in Amphibians - Toward the Treatment of Spinal Cord Injury in

in Amphibians – Toward the Treatment of Spinal Cord Injury in Humans –"

Masaaki Kitada (Tohoku University, Japan)

16:05 - 16:30 "Zebrafish Models for Endocrine Disruptors and Steroid

Deficiency"

Bon-chu Chung (Academia Sinica, Taiwan)

Poster Session

16:30 - 17:15 Poster Session (Odd Number)

17:15 - 18:00 Poster Session (Even Number)

March 19 (Sat) at OCC

Plenary Lecture 3

Chair: Shosaku Kashiwada and Taisen Iguchi

09:00 - 9:40

"The Past, Present and Future on Marine Environmental Research Using the Marine Medaka Oryzias melastigma Model"

Doris W.T. AU (City University of Hong Kong)

Session 4

Chair: Shosaku Kashiwada and Taisen Iguchi

09:40 - 10:05 "Medaka Fish Model for Environmental Health Sciences"

Shosaku Kashiwada (Toyo University, Japan)

10:05 - 10:30 "Applied Toxicity Tests for Endocrine Disrupters"

Taisen Iguchi (National Institute for Basic Biology, Japan)

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee Break

Session 5

Chair: Tsukasa Mori and Toshiyuki Okano

10:45 - 11:10 "Suppression in Amiodarone on Xenopus Metamorphosis"

Akihiko Kashiwagi (Hiroshima University, Japan)

11:10 - 11:35 "Developmental Changes of Drug-Metabolizing Enzymes Related

to Accumulation of Chemicals in Tadpoles and Adult Frogs"

Seigo Sanoh (Hiroshima University, Japan)

Session 6

Chair: Takayuki Takahashi and Yasuhiro Iwao

11:35 - 12:00 "Dynamic Changes in Signal Transduction in the Brains of

Xenopus Tadpoles under Exposure to a Predation Fear"

Tsukasa Mori (Nihon University, Japan)

12:00 - 12:25 "Insights into the Regulation of Hematopoiesis through New

Animal Models"

Takashi Kato (Waseda University, Japan)

Session 7

Chair: Haruki Ochi and Akira Satoh

13:40 - 14:05 "Medaka is a Good Experimental Model for Studies of

Vertebrate Ovulation"

Takayuki Takahashi (Hokkaido University, Japan)

14:05 - 14:30 "Mechanisms of Egg Activation and Polyspermy Block in the

Fertilization of Amphibians: Model Animals for Vertebrate

Fertilization"

Yasuhiro Iwao (Yamaguchi University, Japan)

Session 8

Chair: Akihiko Kashiwagi and Hitoshi Yokoyama

14:30 - 14:55 "Biological Rhythms and Cryptochromes in *Xenopus tropicalis*"

Toshiyuki Okano (Waseda University, Japan)

14:55 - 15:20 "Have Mammals Lost the Regenerative Ability though the Loss

of Regeneration Signal Response Elements?"

Haruki Ochi (Yamagata University, Japan)

15:20 - 15:45 "Ascidian Ciona intestinalis as the Simple Model for Studying

Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms for Constructing Chordate

Body"

Yasunori Sasakura (University of Tsukuba, Japan)

Closing Remark

15:45 - 15:50 Kiyoshi Naruse (National Institute for Basic Biology, Japan)