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Liver



Curriculum Vitae



Dr. Tamami Abe

Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University, School of Medicine Assistant Professor
Japan

Areas of interest

HCC
Systematic therapy
ablation
NAFLD
FALD
Ultrasonography
CEUS

Educational and Career Experiences

Assistant Professor, Iwate Medical University, March 2018
Ph.D., Iwate Medical University, March 2018
M.D., Iwate Medical University, March 2013

Honors and Awards

- Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine Rookie of the year award 2017
- Japan academy of tumor ablation Excellent Discussant Award 2023
- Liver Hemodynamics and Functional Imaging Study Group Itai Award 2023



Dr. Sang Hoon Ahn

Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine
Korea

President Position:

Professor, Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
 Director, Yonsei Liver Center, Severance Hospital, Seoul, Korea (2019-2023)
 Director, Human Resources Headquarters, Yonsei University Health System, Seoul, Republic of Korea
 Director, Administration of Yonsei University Health System, Seoul, Republic of Korea (2020-2021)
 Director, Planning and Management Headquarter, Severance Hospital, Yonsei University Health System, Seoul, Republic of Korea (2018-2020)

Overseas Working Experiences:

- 2001-2003: Postdoctoral Fellowship, Liver Research Center, Brown Medical School, Providence, RI, USA.
- 2008-2009: Visiting Professor, WHO Collaborating Centres for Virus Reference and Research, Victorian Infectious Diseases Reference Laboratory (VIDRL), Melbourne Health, North Melbourne, Australia

Key Academic Society Activities:

- Executive Council Member, the Asian Pacific Association of the Study of the Liver (APASL) (2023-current)
- Trustee, Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Foundation (JGHF) (2023-current)
- Secretary-General, the Korean Association of the Study of the Liver (KASL) (2022-current)
- Chairman of Academic Committee: The Korean Liver Cancer Association (2010-2011)
- Chairman of Academic Committee: The Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert Meeting (APPLE, 2013)
- Chairman of Academic Committee: The Korean Association of the Study of Liver (KASL, 2018-2019)
- Chairman of Academic Committee: The Asia Pacific Association of the Study of Liver (APASL, 2022)

Government Advisory Activities:

- Consultant for health authority organizations in KOREA: The Ministry of Health and Welfare; the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (FDA); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Evidence-based healthcare Collaborating Agency (NECA)

Lecturer and Consultant for Global Companies:

- Global: BMS, Gilead Sciences, Janssen, AbbVie, Roche, Assembly Biosciences, Arbutus, Bria, Vaccitech, GSK, Inovio, Aligos, Vir Biotechnology
- Domestic: SL Vaxigen, GeneOne Life Science, GreenCross, Yuhan, Samil and Ildong, etc

Editors of Scientific Journals:

- Deputy Editor: Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology (Present)
- Associate Editor: Gut and Liver (2017-Present), Hepatology International (2019-Present), Clinical and Molecular Hepatology (2020-Present), PLoS ONE (2011-2017).
- Editorial Board: Hepatology (2019-2021), Journal of Hepatology (2014-2019), Liver International (2013-Present), Scientific Reports (2019-2022)
- Referee: New England Journal of Medicine (2014-) and more than 30 journals

Social Activities:

- Columnist: a columnist and writes "the comfortable liver world" in The Health Kyunghang (daily newspaper)
- Honorable Doctors: he was selected as a honorable doctor in the Media (EBS 2017, 2019, 2020: The Chosun Media 2017). His biography has been accepted into Marquis Who's Who, which is comprised of the top 3% of the professionals in the world (2018).

Research Interests

Viral hepatitis B and C: Molecular biology, Clinical trials for new drugs



Dr. Nobuhisa Akamatsu

Consultant surgeon and Associate professor

Artificial Organ and Transplantation Division, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest

- 1) Liver transplantation
- 2) Hepatocellular carcinoma
- 3) Hilar cholangiocarcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences

Associate professor and supervisory surgeon at Department of Hepato-biliary-pancreatic Surgery, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University- July 2005 to September 2013

Associate professor and supervisory surgeon at Artificial Organ and Transplantation Division, Department of Surgery, Tokyo University Hospital- October 2013 to present.



Dr. Norio Akuta

Chief Director, Department of Hepatology, Toranomom Hospital, Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest

MASLD/MASH, Viral Hepatitis B / C, Liver Cancer, Epigenetic and Genetic Research, Liquid Biopsy.

Educational and Career Experiences

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2004 Department of Gastroenterology, Gifu University School of Medicine, Japan (Ph.D.).

1995 Gifu University School of Medicine, Japan (M.D.).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2000-present Researcher, Okinaka Memorial Institute for Medical Research, Tokyo, Japan.

EDUCATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

2023-present Visiting Associate Professor, 2015-2022 Visiting Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology, Fujita Health University, Aichi, Japan.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2000-present Department of Hepatology, Toranomom Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.

1995-1999 Department of Internal Medicine, Toranomom Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.

QUALIFICATION

Councilor of the Society, Supervisor, Specialist [The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, The Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine].

Specialist (Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society).

Committee member (Evidence-based Clinical Practical Guidelines for NAFLD / NASH 2020, 2nd Edition).

Honors and Awards

Eastern Branch of JSH 2006.

Liver Form East 2007.

Liver Form in Kyoto 2007 and 2014.

Foundation for Advancement of International Science, Hamanako Symposium 2008.

MSD Award 2011.

Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan 2014.

Japan Digestive Disease Week 2016.

American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases 2018.

High Citation Award in Hepatology Research of JSH 2022.

The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (JSGE) Grant 2023-2025.

PATENT

Patent no 4794944; Methodology for evaluation of treatment efficacy with interferon plus ribavirin combination therapy for HCV-infected patients.

Patent no 5960509; Detection method for the risk of hepatocellular carcinoma in HCV-infected patients.

DISSERTATION ACHIEVEMENTS

Impact factor 1,213 (First author 273), H-index 46.



Dr. Kenji Amemiya

Chief Biomedical Laboratory Scientist Genome Analysis Center, Yamanashi Central Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Molecular pathology
Molecular cytopathology

Educational and
Career Experiences

1. University of Yamanashi
Integrated Graduate School of Medicine, Engineering, and Agricultural
Sciences, Doctor of Philosophy (Medicine) (2023)
2. Gunma University, Graduate School of Health Science, Master of Health
Science (2010)

Honors and Awards

14th Sakura Pathology Technology Award (2022)
Saburo Kojima Memorial Technology Award (2022)



Dr. Shun-ichi Ariizumi

Associate Professor Dept. of surgery, Institute of Gastroenterology, Tokyo Women's Medical Univ (TWMU)
Japan

Areas of interest	Clinical oncology and surgical outcomes of HCC, ICC, and combined HCC-ICC
Educational and Career Experiences	2002-2013 Assistant Professor, Dept. of GE Surgery, TWMU 2013-2014 Dept of General, Visceral and Cancer Surgery, University of Cologne, Germany 2014-2016 Assistant Professor, Dept. of GE Surgery TWMU 2016- Associate Professor, Dept. of GE Surgery, TWMU
Honors and Awards	2008, Encouraging prize for international communication, Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery 2012, Prize from an academic society, Japanese Hepato-Biliary Pancreatic Surgery Society 2016, Prof. Komei Nakayama Prize



Dr. Yasuhiro Asahina

Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Liver Disease Control,
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Japan

Areas of interest Viral hepatitis, hepatocellular carcinoma, molecular biology,
stem cell technology

Educational and 1988 Graduated from School of Medicine, Shiga University of Medical
Career Experiences Science (SUMS)
1989–1996 Residency and fellowship at Tokyo Medical and Dental University
(TMDU)
1996–1999 Research fellowship at University of Connecticut Health Center
(UCHC), USA
1999–2009 Associate director at Musashino Red Cross Hospital (MRCH)
2009–2012 Director at Musashino Red Cross Hospital (MRCH)
2012– Professor, Tokyo Medical and Dental University (TMDU)

Honors and Awards Research award from:
2000 JSH
2001 MRCH
2004 JSH
2005 JSH
2006 Miyakawa Memorial Research Foundation
2008 SUMS
2009 Liver Forum in Kyoto
2009 JSGE



Dr. Takeharu Asano

Associate Professor Department of Gastroenterology, Saitama Medical Center,
Jichi Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest

Steatohepatitis
Hepatitis C infection
ablation therapy
tumor immunity

Educational and
Career Experiences

1999 M.D. Fukushima Medical University Faculty of Medicine
1999 Resident in internal medicine, The University of Tokyo
2003 Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo
2009 Department of Gastroenterology, Saitama Medical Center, Jichi Medical
University, Japan



Dr. Yasunari Asaoka

Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, Teikyo University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular carcinoma, molecular targeted therapy, Local ablation therapy
Educational and Career Experiences	1999 Graduate from The University of Tokyo (MD). 1999-2000 Department of Internal Medicine, The University of Tokyo Hospital, Japan. 2000-2002 Department of Internal Medicine, Mitsui Memorial Hospital, Japan. 2006 Graduate from Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo (PhD). 2009-2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital, Japan. 2018-present Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, Teikyo University School of Medicine, Japan.
Honors and Awards	2016 APASL Tokyo: presidential award 2018 APASL Yokohama: presidential award



Dr. Masanori Atsukawa

Associate Professor Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Nippon Medical School Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Viral liver disease
Cirrhosis
Portal hypertension

Educational and Career Experiences

1998 Graduated from Nippon Medical School
1998 The Third Department of Internal Medicine, Nippon Medical School
2002 Department of Gastroenterology, Nippon Medical School
2015 Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology, Nippon Medical School, Chiba Hokusou Hospital
2016 Lecturer, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nippon Medical School Hospital
2018 Associate Professor, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nippon Medical School Hospital

Honors and Awards

The Japan Society of Hepatology Research Encouragement Award (2015)
Nippon Medical School HIF Award (Research Publication Achievement Award) (2020)
High Citation Award, Japan Society of Hepatology (2021)
Tajiri Award, Japanese Society of Portal Hypertension (2021)



Dr. Mohammad Glam Azam

Associate Professor and Consultant, Department of Gastrointestinal, Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Disorders (GHPD) BIRDEM Academy
Bangladesh

Educational and Career Experiences

May 1994 to April 1995
House Physician (as internee), Dhaka Medical College Hospital
May 1995 to September 1997
Research Fellow, Viral Hepatitis Section, Department of Immunology, BIRDEM
October 1997 to March 1998
Honorary Physician, Department of Medicine, Dhaka Medical College Hospital
April 1998 to March 1999
Honorary Physician, Department of Medicine, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University Hospital
July 1999 to Jan 2003
Deputed to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University Hospital as a postgraduate student of MD
February 2003 to October 2006
Senior Research Officer, Viral Hepatitis Section, Department of Immunology, BIRDEM Hospital

Honors and Awards

- A. Recipient of "CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION" jointly awarded by the American Association for the Study of the Liver Diseases (AASLD) and Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (APASL), for outstanding performance in research works at the 14th biennial meeting of APASL held in New Delhi, India 2004.
- B. Awarded with "TRAVEL GRANTS", Accommodation allowance and waiving of registration fee as young investigator for best 25 abstracts at the 14th biennial meeting of APASL held in New Delhi, India 2004.
- C. Awarded with "TRAVEL GRANTS" and Accommodation allowance as young researcher for selected abstracts at the 15th Annual meeting of APASL held in Bali, Indonesia 2005.
- D. Recipient of the AASLD-APASL Award for the excellence of research work presented at the 18th Conference of the APASL, Seoul, Korea held in March 23-26, 2008.
- E. Recipient of the USJMSCP-NIH-APASL Joint Symposium Young Investigator Award for the excellence of research work presented at the 19th Conference of the APASL, Hong Kong held in February 13-16, 2009.
- F. Awarded with "TRAVEL GRANTS" for selected abstracts at the 20th Annual meeting of APASL held in Beijing, China in March 25-28, 2010.
- G. Awarded with "TRAVEL GRANTS" for selected abstracts at the 22nd Annual meeting of APASL held in Taipei, Taiwan in Feb 16-19, 2012.
- H. Recipient of the "PRESIDENTIAL AWARD" for selected abstract at the APASL Liver Week 2013, Singapore held in June 6-9, 2013.
- I. Awarded with "TRAVEL GRANTS" for selected abstracts at the 23rd Annual meeting of APASL held in Brisbane, Australia 12-15, 2014
- J. Singapore Hepatitis Conference as preceptor from 25-28 May, 2016.
- K. Singapore Hepatitis Conference as preceptor from 01-03 June, 2017.



Dr. Oidov Baatarkhuu

Professor, Infectious Diseases Mongolian National University of Medical Sciences
Mongilia

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis, HCC, Chronic liver disease
Educational and Career Experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD-2006 • Sc. D-2023 • Fellowship in Hepatology at the Department of Internal Medicine, Severance Hospital, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea between 2007-2008. • Clinical Research Fellowship in Hepatology at the Department of Internal Medicine III, AKH Hospital, and University of Vienna, Austria between 2012-2013. • Clinical Research Fellow in Hepatology at the Storr Liver Center, Westmead Millennium Institute for Medical Research, University of Sydney, Australia. 2014. • Visiting Professor at the Victorian Infectious Diseases Laboratory, Melbourne, Australia in 2014. • Visiting Professor at the Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea in 2018 • Visiting Professor at the Department of Internal Medicine, Cumming School of Medicine, Calgary University, Canada in 2019. • Past an Executive Council Member of APASL • Member of CEVHAP • President of the Mongolian Association for the Study of the Liver Diseases between 2012-2018 • Chairman of the Scientific Committee for the APASL-STC 2012 in Mongolia • President for the APASL-STC 2017 in Mongolia. • Honorary President, MASLD since 2018
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Poster Award, Falk Symposium XII, Freiburg, 2003 Germany • APASL-AASLD Award, Seoul, Korea, 2008 • Best Poster Award- The 7th APASL STC, Chiba, Japan, 2010 • Best Poster Award -The 9th APASL STC Jeju, Korea, 2011 • Best Presentation Award- The 18th Annual Meeting of the KASL, Seoul, Korea, 2012 • Best Presentation Award- The 14th International Symposium Viral Hepatitis and Liver Disease, Shanghai, China, 2012 • Best Presentation Award- The 19th Annual Meeting of the KASL Seoul, Korea, 2013 • Best Presentation Award- The 24th Annual Meeting of the KASL, Seoul, Korea, 2018 • Academician P.Nymadawa -Gold Medal, Science of Academy, Mongolia, 2023



Dr. Si Hyun Bae

Professor, Division of Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Eunpyeong St. Mary's Hospital,
The Catholic University of Korea
Korea

Areas of interest

liver fibrosis and novel anti-fibrosis target discovery,
liver regeneration and hepatic stem cell,
hepatocellular carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences

Education

1994-2000 Ph.D. Graduate School, The Catholic University of Korea
1984-1990 M.D. The Catholic University of Korea, College of Medicine

Hospital Career:

2001-2005 Assistant Professor, Kangnam St. Mary's Hospital
2002-2004 Research Fellow, Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine,
College of Medicine, University of Florida, USA
2005-2010 Associate Professor, Kangnam St. Mary's Hospital
2010-2018 Professor, Seoul St. Mary's Hospital, The Catholic University
2019- present Professor, Eunpyeong St. Mary's Hospital, The Catholic University
2023- present President, Eunpyeong St. Mary's Hospital, The Catholic University

Academic Activities

2017-2019 Secretary General, Korean Association for the Study of the Liver
2020-2022 Secretary General, APASL2022 Seoul, Local Committee
2021-2023 President, Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (KASL)
2022-2023 President, APASL STC 2023 Busan, Local Committee

Honors and Awards

2000: Young Investigator Award from Asia-Pacific Association for the Study of
the Liver (APASL, Japan)
2000: Young Investigator Award from Asia-Pacific Digestive Week (APDW,
Hongkong)
2004: Best Poster Presentation Award from Asia-Pacific Association for the
Study of the Liver (APASL, India)
2010: Best Poster Presentation Award from Asia-Pacific Association for the
Study of the Liver (7th APASL-STC, Chiba, Japan)
2012: Best Award of the Original Article from KASL
2018: GlaxoSmithKline Research Award from KASL



Dr. Thomas Berg

Division of Hepatology, Department of Medicine II

Leipzig University Medical Center

German

Areas of interest

Professor Dr. Thomas Berg, currently holds the positions of Head of the Division of Hepatology and Deputy Director of the Department of Medicine II at Leipzig University Medical Center, Germany. Additionally, he serves as Chair at the University Liver Tumor Center and Vice-Chair at the University Liver Transplant Center Leipzig.

Educational and Career Experiences

His scholarly output is substantial, with over 440 articles published in peer-reviewed journals, along with more than 100 reviews and textbook contributions, accumulating over 42,000 citations. His h-index, according to Scopus, stands at 92.

Honors and Awards

Professor Berg has contributed significantly to the European Associations for the Study of the Liver (EASL), where he served as Vice Secretary from 2019 to 2021 and later as Secretary General from 2021 to 2023. He also played a role as a Board member of the EASL International Liver Foundation (EILF) from 2019 to 2023. Prior to these roles, he served as Co-Editor of the Journal of Hepatology from 2014 to 2019.



Dr. Graciela Elia Castro-Narro

President of the Latin American Association for the Liver Study (ALEH)
Head of Hepatology and Liver Transplant at Médica Sur Hospital
Hepatologist and Gastroenterologist at the National Institute of Medical Sciences and Nutrition "Salvador Zubirán"
Mexico

Areas of interest	MASLD, MASH, Viral Hepatitis, Cirrhosis, Hepatic Encephalopathy, LAL-D and pre and post Liver Transplant.
Educational and Career Experiences	Gastroenterology Professor at National Autonomous University of Mexico and at Panamerican University
Honors and Awards	Academic of the National Academy of Medicine of Mexico and the Mexican Academy of Surgery.



Dr. Henry Lik Yuen Chan

Deputy Chief Hospital Manager, Head of Department of Internal Medicine, Head of Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Union Hospital, Hong Kong
 Honorary Clinical Professor, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
 Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis, liver fibrosis, HCC
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Doctor of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong</p> <p>Associate editor, Hepatology International</p> <p>Scientific Committee Chair, International Association for the Study of the Liver (IASL)</p> <p>Chairman of Strategic and Technical Advisory Committee on Viral Hepatitis, Western Pacific Regional Office, World Health Organization (2015-2022)</p> <p>Associate editor, Journal of Hepatology (2014-2019)</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Highly cited researcher, Clarivate Analytics, 2018-2023</p> <p>National Award for Science and Technology Progress in HBV (2012) and fatty liver disease (2020)</p> <p>Okuda lecturer, Asia Pacific Digestive Week, 2018</p>



Dr. Wah-Kheong Chan

Professor of Medicine and Senior Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist
University of Malaya Medical Centre and University of Malaya Specialist Centre
Malaysia

Areas of interest	Metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease (MASLD)
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Executive Committee Member for the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology between 2015 and 2021.</p> <p>Scientific Co-Chair and a core member of the Organizing Committee for the Asian Pacific Digestive Week 2021.</p> <p>Associate Editor for the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, and a member of the Editorial Board for Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Alimentary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, and Clinical and Molecular Hepatology.</p> <p>Published numerous full papers in peer-reviewed journals and presented in both local and international conferences.</p> <p>Contributed to the section on NAFLD in the 6th Edition of the Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus for Malaysia.</p> <p>Lead author for the MSGH Consensus Statements on metabolic dysfunction-associated fatty liver disease.</p> <p>Member of the Global NASH Council, the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of Liver MAFLD Consortium, the Gut and Obesity in Asia Workgroup, and the CAP Prognosis Study Group.</p>
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Paper Award for 2nd place in the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, GUT 2017 • CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENT SERVICE: University of Malaya, 2017 • Best Paper Award 1st Prize at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology GUT 2016 • CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENT SERVICE: University of Malaya, 2015 • Best Paper Award 1st Prize at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, GUT 2015 • Asian Young Endoscopist Award 2015; Koran Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, 2015 • APDWF 2015, Posters of Distinction Award • Best Paper Award 1st Prize at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, GUT 2015 • Poster of Distinction: Controlled attenuation parameter for the detection and quantification of hepatic steatosis in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, at the 23rd Conference of the Asian Pacific Association in the Study of the Liver 2014 • EXCELLENCE SERVICE AWARD: University of Malaya, 2013 • Best Paper Award 1st Prize at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, GUT 2013 • Best Paper Award 1st Prize at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Malaysian Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, GUT 2012 • Scholarship as Visiting Scholar to Kyushu University Hospital, 2011



Dr. Yogesh K Chawla

Chairman Academics and Professor Emeritus, Kalinga Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS)
Member, Institute Body AIIMS, Chairman, Academic Committee, JIPMER,
Member, Academic Committee, ILBS
India

Areas of interest	Portal Hypertention, HCC, MAFLD, Hepatitis B, C & E
Educational and Career Experiences	M.B.B.S., M.D. (Internal Medicine), D.M.(Gastroenterology) FAMS, NAMS Total Experience after DM 41 years
Honors and Awards	<u>Padma Shri</u> B C Roy Award recipient Former Director & Emeritus Professor, PGIMER Former Prof. & Head, Department of Hepatology PGIMER, Chandigarh (India)



Dr. Kazuaki Chayama

Professor, Department of Collaborative Research Laboratory of Medical Innovation,
 Graduate School of Biomedical and Health Sciences, Hiroshima University
 Japan

Areas of interest	Gastroenterology, Viral Hepatitis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1981: Graduated from Hiroshima University</p> <p>1981: Medical Doctor's license in Japan</p> <p>1997: Ph.D. of Medical Science from Tokyo University for a thesis entitled "Nucleotide sequence and genome organization of a rare hepatitis C virus genotype (genotype 3b) isolated from a Japanese patient with Chronic hepatitis C."</p> <p>1981: Doctor, Department of Internal Medicine, Mimihara General Hospital</p> <p>1986: Doctor, Department of Internal Medicine, Toranomom Hospital</p> <p>1996: Head Physician, Department of Internal Medicine, Toranomom Hospital</p> <p>2000: Professor of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Hiroshima University</p> <p>2002-2021, March: Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Applied Life Sciences, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences, Hiroshima University</p> <p>2011, April - 2015, March: Director of Hiroshima University Hospital</p> <p>2012, April - 2015, March: Executive and Vice President, Hiroshima University</p> <p>2015, April - 2016, March: Special Assistant to the President</p> <p>2017, April - 2021, March: Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Applied Life Sciences, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences, Hiroshima University</p> <p>2021, April-present: Professor, Department of Collaborative Research Laboratory of Medical Innovation, Graduate School of Biomedical and Health Sciences, Hiroshima University</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>16th Oda Award of Japan Society of Hepatology (2012)</p> <p>3rd Research Award of Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (2019)</p>



Dr. Pei-Jer Chen

Professor, Hepatitis Research Center, National Taiwan University Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Chronic Viral Hepatitis, Hepatocellular carcinoma, Basic and clinical.
Educational and Career Experiences	BM, College of Medicine, National Taiwan University Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania. Professor, Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine. College of Medicine, National Taiwan University
Honors and Awards	He served in the Editorial Board of Gastroenterology between 2017-2019. He was a was a member of the editorial board of the journal Hepatology from 2001 to 2006, 2010-2011, and 2019-2021. In 2000, Professor Chen was awarded the International Research Scholar in Infectious Diseases by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute for a period of five years. He has been elected into Academia Sinica in year 2006, and become the TAWS member in year 2011. He receives 2023 APDW Okuda lectureship award.



Dr. Tan To Cheung

Chief, Division of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery, Department of Surgery
Taiwan

Tan To Cheung is the Chief of the Division of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery within the Department of Surgery, Queen Mary Hospital, the University of Hong Kong, and President of the Hong Kong Society of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery, Vice president (External Affairs) of College of Surgeons on Hong Kong and Council member of Liver Foundation. He is currently Clinical Professor of the University of Hong Kong.

He is listed as top 1% HKU researchers ranked by Clarivate Analytics in the worldwide by citations in 2021. He is the top 2% scientist ranked by Stanford University 2023.

Prof. Cheung is an experienced academic surgeons and his research interest was focused in disease and cancers in the liver, biliary tract and pancreas. He is the chairman of Hong Kong pancreatic cystic lesion management consensus meeting 2022, Hong Kong consensus recommendation on the management of HCC 2018 and 2021, and Asia pacific consensus meeting for minimally invasive hepatectomy for primary liver cancer (Hong Kong Statement) in 2016.

Prof. Cheung is a world-renowned leading experts in the field of laparoscopic liver resection for primary liver cancer. He is the pioneer of laparoscopic liver hepatectomies in Hong Kong with good outcome. He completed the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 2018. His thesis was the “Application on Minimally invasive Hepatectomy for liver cancer.”

Prof. Cheung is very active and visionary in this field internationally. He was the founding member of International Laparoscopic liver Surgery Society and was elected as Advisory board member in 2019. Chairman of radiology committee of International liver transplant society 2019-2022.

Prof. Cheung is an active researcher with a successful grant record including principle investigator and co-investigators of various grants from UGC HK and China with at total amount of more than 80 Million.

Prof. Cheung was a recipient of the GB Ong Travelling Fellowship Award 2013 and James IV travelling Fellowship Award 2017. He has authored more than 310 peer-reviewed articles and other publications, and is frequently invited to lecture internationally and to present in plenary sessions. He has mentored a large number of trainees, including post graduate degree and oversea academia.



Dr. Valerie Chew

Principal Investigator, Translational Immunology Institute (TII), SingHealth-Duke-NUS.

Assistant Professor, Duke-NUS Medical School

Taiwan

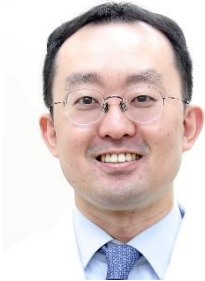
Areas of interest	Tumour microenvironment; tumour immunology, immunotherapy; single-cell analysis; multiomics analysis; spatial analysis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2008: Doctor of Philosophy- Immunology (Integrative Sciences & Engineering), National University of Singapore (NUS)</p> <p>2007- 2014: Research Fellow-Scientist Singapore Immunology Network (SIgN) A*Star</p> <p>2015- 2016: Senior Research Scientist; Translational Immunology Institute (TII)</p> <p>July 2016-present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal Investigator; Translational Immunology Institute (TII) <p>June 2015-present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Professor; Duke-NUS Medical School
Honors and Awards	<p>2021 Gilead Sciences Research Scholars Program in Liver Disease – Asia.</p> <p>2017 Interstellar Initiative New York Academy of Sciences. Outstanding Early Career Investigator Team Presentation in Cancer 2017.</p> <p>2016 Best of young SingHealth and Duke-NUS Scientists 2016.</p> <p>2012 A*STAR JCO Young Research Collaborative Grant Award 2012.</p>



Dr. Jae Hee Cho

Professor, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Gangnam Severance Hospital
Korea

Areas of interest	Clinical and basic research of Pancreaticobiliary cancer Interventional EUS/ ERCP
Educational and Career Experiences	1993-1999 Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea 2001-2003 Master Degree, Graduate School, Yonsei University 2008-2015 Ph.D. Degree, Graduate School, Yonsei University College of Medicine
	Professional Career 1999-2004 Internship and Residency, Severance Hospital, Yonsei University College of Medicine, 2007-2008 Clinical and Research Fellowship, Severance Hospital, Division of Gastroenterology 2008-2013 Assistant Professor, Kwandong University College of Medicine, 2014-2019 Associate professor, Gachon university Gil Medical Center 2020- Professor, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Gangnam Severance Hospital
Honors and Awards	2022.5 Outstanding Reviewer for GIE (ASGE) 2023.5 Top Reviewers for iGIE (ASGE)



Dr. Jonggi Choi

Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Asan Medical Center,
University of Ulsan College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest	Chronic hepatitis B Hepatocellular carcinoma Prediction model
Educational and Career Experiences	GI fellowship, Asan Medical Center, Korea, 2019 Internal Medicine Residency, St. Francis Hospital, IL, US, 2016 Research fellow, Mayo Clinic, US, 2015 Internal Medicine Residency, Asan Medical center, Korea, 2011 Doctor of Medicine, Catholic University of Daegu, 2006
Honors and Awards	2019 LG chemical future young research award 2020 Daewong pharmaceutical new young researcher award 2021 Korean Association of Internal Medicine, best research award 2021 Korean Association for the Study of the Liver, best researcher award 2021 Korean Liver Cancer Association, best researcher award 2023 Korean Liver Cancer Association, best researcher award



Dr. Won-Mook Choi

Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology,
Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest	Chronic hepatitis B Hepatocellular carcinoma Liver fibrogenesis
Educational and Career Experiences	Scientific Committee Member – Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (KASL) from 2023 to present Medical Policy Committee Assistant Director – KASL from 2023 to present External Affairs Committee Assistant Director – Korean Liver Cancer Association (KLCA) from 2023 to present
Honors and Awards	International Early Career Investigator Award Presented in Honor of Professor C. Y. Kim by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) Foundation in 2023 Young Investigator Award at Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver Single Topic Conference in 2023 Young Investigator Award by the KLCA in 2023 Professor Margit Hamosh Memorial Travel Award by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) Foundation in 2020



Dr. Ashok Choudhury

Additional Professor, Dept of Hepatology and Liver Transplant.
 Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences (ILBS).
 India

Areas of interest	<p>ACLF HCC Liver Transplant Artificial Intelligence</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>MBBS MD DM Hepatology</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Asia Pacific Association for Study of Liver (APASL) ACLF Research Consortium (AARC) as the largest database on liver failure Asia Pacific Association for Study of Liver (APASL) COVID Liver Injury Spectrum (APCOLIS) as Principal Investigator. Course Coordinator – Asia Pacific Association Study of Liver (APASL) Liver Cancer Preceptorship Program (ALCAP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Investigator Award 2017, Asia Pacific Association for Study of Liver, Shanghai China • Young Investigator Award 2016, International Liver Transplant Society, Seoul Korea • Plenary lecture. European Association for Study Liver (EASL 2017) Amsterdam, Netherland • Outstanding Contribution Award- 2016, and 2018, Journal of Clinical and Translational Hepatology” • Outstanding Contribution Award- 2018, by Journal of Clinical and Translational Hepatology” • Fellow research Award 2014, Best abstract, Plenary presentation- American Association for Study of Live Disease, Boston, USA. • Journal of clinical and experimental hepatology (JCEH)- Guest Editor • Journal of clinical and translational hepatology (JCTH)-Academic Editor • World Journal of Gastroenterology (WJG) – Academic Editor • Hepatology Forum- Editorial Board Member



- Cirrhosis and Portal Hypertension- Editorial Board Member



Dr. Massimo Giuseppe Colombo

Chair, EASL International Liver foundation, Geneva Switzerland 2017-2023

Italy

Areas of interest

Author of 535 original manuscripts in peer-reviewed journals, with an H-index of 104 (Google Scholar) and 57,369 citations
Liver cancer, viral hepatitis, cirrhosis

Educational and Career Experiences

2021-2022 Director Liver Center and General Medicine San Raffaele Hospital, Milan, Italy. 2017-2020 Director Center of Translational Research in Hepatology at Humanitas Hospital, Milan, Italy. 1999-2004 Director Division of Medicine and Liver Unit University Hospital Maggiore Policlinic Hospital Milan 2004-2016 Professor of Gastroenterology Chair Division Gastroenterology and Hepatology and Chair Department Medicine and Liver, Kidney, Lung, Bone Marrow and Organ Transplantation, IRCCS Maggiore Hospital in Milan, Italy 1991-2004 Professor of Medicine University of Milan 1997-2013 Director of the Postgraduate School of Gastroenterology, University of Milan 2008-2011 Coordinator PhD program in Gastroenterology University of Milan 2001-2014 Deputy Scientific Director IRCCS Policlinic Hospital Milan 1971 Medical degree from the University of Milan. 1974-1975 Research fellowship in liver diseases at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York, USA 1975-1977 Postgraduate in Gastroenterology Member of many professional societies including EASL, AASLD and several Italian societies.

1996-2000 Associate Editor of J. Hepatology. 2005-2009 Editor-in-Chief of J. Hepatology. 2015-2019 Special Section Editor of J. Hepatology. 2015-2019 Strategic Advisor of Editor of Liver International. 2000-2021 Contributor of Selected Summary for Gastroenterology (2000-2021).

Chairman of the writing committees of EASL Clinical Practice Guidelines of Benign Liver Tumors in 2014 and of Occupational Liver Diseases in 2017.

Honors and Awards

2010 EASL Recognition Award for outstanding medical and scientific contributions, the Italian Association Study Liver (AISF) Distinguished Service Award, Thannhauser Medal Award of the German Society of Gastroenterology and the Nelson Fausto Award of the International Liver Cancer Association (ILCA).



Dr. Darrell Crawford

Associate Dean and Mayne Professor of Medicine, The University of Queensland

Director of Research, Gallipoli Medical Research

Australia

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis, hepatocellular carcinoma, molecular biology, stem cell technology
Educational and Career Experiences	Disorders of Iron Metabolism and Haemochromatosis Hepatocellular Carcinoma Steatotic Liver Disease
Honors and Awards	Past President, APASL Past Chair, Australian Liver Association Past President, Gastroenterological Society of Australia Dean, School of Medicine, The University of Queensland



Dr. Ian Homer Y. Cua

First Vice President, Philippine Society of Gastroenterology
 Chair, Organizing Committee, Philippine Digestive Health Week-Joint Annual Convention 2024
 Head, Institute of Digestive and Liver Diseases, St. Luke’s Medical Center
 Chief, Section of Hepatology, Institute of Digestive and Liver Diseases, St. Luke’s Medical Center
 Member, Hepatology Interest Group, World Gastroenterology Organisation
 Philippines

Areas of interest	MAFLD, Liver cirrhosis, Hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Doctor of Medicine: Cebu Doctors’ University</p> <p>Residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in Gastroenterology and Digestive Endoscopy: St. Luke’s Medical Center, Quezon City, Philippines</p> <p>Fellowship in Hepatology:</p> <p>Storr Liver Unit, Westmead Millenium Institute, New South Wales, Australia</p> <p>Fellowship in Interventional Hepatology:</p> <p>Department of Hepato-Gastroenterology</p> <p>Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Taoyuan, Taiwan</p> <p>Fellowship in Transplantation Hepatology:</p> <p>Center for Liver Disease and Transplantation</p> <p>New York Presbyterian Hospital</p> <p>Columbia University Medical Center, New York, USA</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2023 Philippine College of Physicians Presidential Award</p> <p>2013 St. Luke’s Medical Center Research Chair in Gastroenterology and Hepatology Award</p> <p>2007 American College of Gastroenterology International Training Grant Award</p>



Dr. Chia-Yen Dai

Professor, Department of Internal Medicine,
Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital, Kaohsiung Medical University
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Hepatology, Gastroenterology, Molecular epidemiology, Medical Genetics, Contrast echo image, Liver cancer
Educational and Career Experiences	M.D. Kaohsiung Medical University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan Master/Ph.D. in Medical Science, Institute of Medical Science, Kaohsiung Medical University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan Resident & Chief Resident, Department of Medicine, Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital, Taiwan Visiting staff, Hepatobiliary Division, Department of Internal Medicine, Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital, Taiwan Assistant/ Associate Professor, College of Medicine, Kaohsiung Medical University, Taiwan Director, Department of Community Medicine/Occupational Medicine/Hepatitis Center/Digestive Medicine Center, Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital, Kaohsiung Medical University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
Honors and Awards	33rd Medical Contribution Award, Taiwan 2023 Research Achievement Award for General Teachers, Kaohsiung Medical University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan 2011~2021



Dr. Dan Yock Young

Assoc Professor Senior Consultant, Div of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. Dept of Medicine
National University of Singapore
Singapore

Areas of interest Metabolic associated fatty liver Disease
Liver Cirrhosis, Liver Stem Cell
Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences Academic qualifications (Indicate institution's name and year degree awarded)

M.B,B.S(NUS)	1998	NUS
Masters of Medicine MMed (Int Med)	2000	NUS
MRCP (UK)	2000	Royal College of Physicians UK
FAMS (Gastroenterology)	2004	Academy of Medicine, Singapore
PhD (NUS)	2010	NUS
FRCP (Edin)	2014	Royal College of Physicians (Edin)
2013 –	National University Hospital	Senior Consultant
2014 –	National University Singapore	Assoc Professor
2014-2020	National University Singapore	Head of Medicine
2014-2020	National University Hospital	Chair University Medicine Cluste
2018-2020	National University Hospital	Dy CMB
2020 –	National University Health System	Asst Chief Executive
2020 –	Ministry of Health	Dy Dir Gen Health (HSG)

Honors and Awards 2014 Emerging Leader Lectureship APDW
2015 Special Recognition Award for Role Model
2016 SCRP Mentorship Excellence Award
2023 Public Adminsitration Medal (Gold) (COVID)



Dr. Gautam Anil Deshpande

Special Professor, Department of General Medicine Juntendo University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Primary and preventive care Care for foreign populations
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2018- Juntendo University, Tokyo, Japan; Professor, Department of General Medicine</p> <p>2015 St. Luke's International University, Tokyo, Japan Professor of Health and Behavioral Sciences Vice Dean, Graduate School of Public Health University of Hawaii/John A. Burns School of Medicine; Assistant Clinical Professor, Dept. of Internal Medicine (2019) Associate Clinical Professor, Dept. of Internal Medicine (2009)</p> <p>2009 Staff Physician, US Embassy Tokyo</p> <p>2004-2007 Dept. of Internal Medicine, UCSD Medical Center, San Diego, CA (Internal Medicine Residency)</p> <p>2004 Penn State College of Medicine (MD)</p> <p>1999 Stanford University (BA, MA)</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Meritorious Honor Award, U.S. State Department, U.S. Embassy Japan</p> <p>Eagle Award, U.S. State Department</p> <p>Superior Honor Award, U.S. State Department</p> <p>Alan Rickman Award for Humanism in Medicine, UCSD, Department of Internal Medicine</p> <p>Arnold P. Gold Foundation for Humanism in Medicine, Kienle Chapter, Elected Member</p>



Dr. Yoshiko Doi

Department Director, Department of Radiation Oncology, Hiroshima Prefectural Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

To provide high-precision radiotherapy with as little impact on normal tissues as possible: SBRT for HCC, lung cancer and brain metastasis

Educational and

EDUCATION

Career Experiences

2013.03 – 2018.08 Hiroshima University: School of Medicine Doctoral Course
1999.04 - 2005.03 Yamaguchi University: School of Medicine

WORK EXPERIENCE

Regular Doctor

Apr 2023- present

Hiroshima Prefectural Hospital, Department of radiation oncology

Apr 2015 – March 2023

Hiroshima High-precision radiotherapy cancer center

Aug 2011 – May 2015

Hiroshima University Hospital, Department of radiation oncology

Senior resident

Oct 2008 – May 2011

Kyusyu Central hospital, Department of radiology

Apr 2007 – Sep 2008

Kyusyu University Hospital, Department of radiology

Junior resident

Apr 2006 - May2007

Saiseikai Yamaguchi General Hospital

Apr 2005 - May2006

Yamaguchi University Hospital



Dr. A. Kadir Dokmeci

Emeritus Professor, Ankara University School of Medicine, Department of Gastroenterology
Consultant Hepatologist, Liver Transplantation Center, Bahçeşehir University
Turkey

Areas of interest	Liver Cirrhosis, Viral Hepatitis, ACLF, Portal Hypertension, Liver Transplantation, HCC, Steatohepatitis, ERCP
Educational and Career Experiences	1971 MD Ankara University School of Medicine (AUSM) 1978 Specialty of Gastroenterology AUSM 1979-1981 Study in Chiba University 1988 Professor in Gastroenterology AUSM 1988-1989 Research in Chiba University 1993-2000 Chairman, Department of Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology AUSM 2002-2003 Visiting Professor in California University, Irvine 2015 President of APASL and main APASL congress. 2015- Consultant Hepatologist Liver Transplantation center AUSM and Bahçeşehir University
Honors and Awards	1999.- Inohana Award from Chiba University 2019- 2nd APASL Powell-Sarin Life Achievement Award



Dr. Ajay Kumar Duseja

Professor and Head Unit II (Hepatology) Department of Hepatology, PGIMER
India

- Areas of interest
1. Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)
 2. Acute on chronic liver failure
 3. Viral hepatitis
 4. Hepatocellular carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences Educational: Fellow – American Association for the study of liver diseases – Hepatology (2017)

Career experience: 30 years

Total experience after MD – 24 years

- Honors and Awards
1. ICMR award (Dharamvir Datta Memorial Oration Award)
 2. ISG – Alkem Om Prakash Memorial Award
 3. ISG – SR Naik Memorial Award
 4. ISG – Zydus Oration Award (2013)
 5. Asia-Pacific International Fellowship
 6. Singapore Indian Group Networking for Empowerment Training
 7. Fellow of American college of Gastroenterology (FACG)
 8. Fellow – National Academy of Medical Sciences (MNAMS)
 9. Visiting Scholar



Dr. James R. Elliott

CEO Mima-Pro Scientific Inc.

CEO Vison Medical USA

USA

Areas of interest	Interventional Oncology. Microwave Ablation, Coagulation and Hyperthermia
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Masters of Engineering Science (Materials Engineering) University of Western Ontario</p> <p>Bachelor of Applied Science (Bio – Resource Engineering) University of British Columbia</p> <p>Bachelor of Science (Biology) University of British Columbia.</p> <p>Senior roles as Principal Engineer/ Project Engineer/ Senior Executive with expertise in Medical Device, Diagnostics and IVD sectors. Hands-on global enterprise experience with all aspects of Research, Clinical, Regulatory, Product Realization, Manufacturing, Marketing, Sales and Distribution. Over 40 years of career experience in result- oriented technical invention, innovation, Intellectual Property building and commercialization activities in the Medical Provider space. A track record of helping build over \$4 Billion USD of enterprise value in Medical Device and Diagnostic Industry</p>
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Advisor to the Global Association of Microwave Ablation Techniques (GAMAT) • Vice-President of the International Cooperation Department of the CHINA Alliance of Technology Innovation for Minimally Invasive Tumor Therapy; • International Women’s Health Coordinator of the Chinese Society of Gynecological Oncology.



Dr. Mohammed Eslam

Professor of hepatology and deputy director of Storr liver centre, the Westmead Institute for Medical Research, University of Sydney.

Australia

Areas of interest

Liver fibrosis, liver cancer, MAFLD, Genetics

Educational and
Career Experiences

Professor Mohammed Eslam is a professor of hepatology and deputy director of Storr Liver Centre, University of Sydney. He heads the fatty liver and genomics groups at Storr liver centre. He undertakes basic and clinical research on MAFLD, hepatitis C, liver cancer and hepatic fibrosis.

He heads the International Liver Genetics Consortium. He led the international consensus for redefining of fatty liver disease. He is on the Editorial Board of Hepatology, Liver international, Clinical and Experimental Medicine, JCTH, therapeutic advances in endocrinology and metabolism, World journal of Hepatology. He is on the steering committee and director of operation of MAIDEN. He has more than 200 publications, has > 19,000 citations and five book chapters.



Dr. Jian-Gao fan

Professor and Director, Department of Gastroenterology, Xinhua Hospital Affiliated to Shanghai Jiao Tong University School of Medicine

Principal Investigator, Shanghai Key Lab of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition

Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Practical Hepatology (in Chinese); Executive Associate EIC, World Journal of Gastroenterology; Associate Editor, Journal of Clinical and Translational Hepatology, Clin Mol Hepatol.; Editorial Board Member, Hepatology, Chin Med J (Engl).etc.

China

Areas of interest	Fatty liver, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, metabolic steatohepatitis, alcoholic liver disease, Wilson Disease
Educational and Career Experiences	B.Sc. and M.Sc. (1991-1994), Shandong Medical University, China; Ph.D. (1994-1997), Shanghai Second Medical University, China. Gastroenterologist (1997-2007), Shanghai 1st People's Hospital from 1997 to 2007; Visiting scholar (2007-2008), Australian National University; Professor and Director (2008-), Xinhua Hospital, Shanghai Jiao Tong University School of Medicine.
Honors and Awards	Published over 700 peer-reviewed papers (including 160 articles in SCI journals as the first and/or correspondent author, i.e, Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol., Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Journal of Hepatology, EMM, AP&T, CMGH, and 8 book chapters in English) with H-index over 70, and 20 books in Chinese as editor-in-chief.



Dr. Sheung Tat Fan

Director, Liver Surgery and Transplant Centre, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	liver transplantation, hepatocellular carcinoma, hepatitis B, cirrhosis, intrahepatic stones, and acute biliary pancreatitis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, The University of Hong Kong, 1976 Master of Surgery (Doctorate), The University of Hong Kong, 1992 Doctor of Medicine (Doctorate), The University of Hong Kong, 1998 Doctor of Philosophy (Doctorate), The University of Hong Kong, 2002 Doctor of Science (Doctorate), The University of Hong Kong, 2005 I started my academic career in 1987 as Lecturer in the Department of Surgery, The University of Hong Kong. I was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1988, and then Reader in 1990 in the same department. In December 1993, I was appointed to Chair Professor of Surgery of The University of Hong Kong. I was Chief of Liver Transplantation and Hepatobiliary Surgery at Queen Mary Hospital from January 1988 to June 2008. Head of the Department of Surgery of The University of Hong Kong at Queen Mary Hospital from July 2008 to June 2011.</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh ad hominem, 1996 Croucher Foundation Senior Medical Research Fellowship, 1998-1999 Sir Patrick Manson Gold Medal, The University of Hong Kong, 1997-1998 Distinguished Research Achievement Award, The University of Hong Kong, 2000-2001 Academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering (Medical and Health Engineering Division), 2005 First Class Award in the category of State Scientific and Technological Progress Award in the State Science and Technology Awards of China in 2005. In the same year, I was elected as Academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering under the category of Medical and Health Engineering.</p> <p>In 2006, I was awarded a Silver Bauhinia Star by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for my academic leadership and contribution to the liver transplant service in Hong Kong. In 2008, I was awarded the TTS-Genzyme Award for Innovation in Surgery and Technology by The Transplantation Society. 2009 Liver Forum in Kyoto 2009 JSGE</p>



Dr. Takahisa Fujikawa

Chief Director, Department of Surgery, Kokura Memorial Hospital, Kitakyushu
Japan

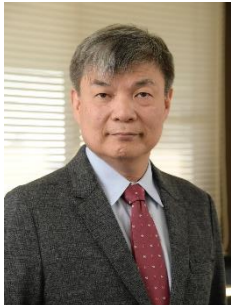
Areas of interest	<p>Minimally-invasive liver resection and pancreatectomy, including robotic liver resection</p> <p>Robot-assisted inguinal hernia repair and implementation of technical education</p> <p>Multidisciplinary treatment for gastrointestinal and hepato-biliary-pancreatic malignant tumors</p> <p>Establishment of safe perioperative management guidelines for patients taking antithrombotic drugs</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1998-2000 Staff Attending Surgeon, Department of Surgery, Tenri Hospital, Nara, Japan</p> <p>2005-2006 Post-Doctoral Associate, Department of Surgery, University of Florida, FL, USA</p> <p>2018-2024 Chief Director, Department of Surgery, Kokura Memorial Hospital, Fukuoka, Japan</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2002 Research grant from Kyoto University Educational Research Foundation</p> <p>2003 Research grant from Uehara Memorial Life Science Foundation</p> <p>2010 65th Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery Award for Best Poster Presentation</p> <p>2023 15th Japanese Society of Robotic Surgery Outstanding Presentation Award</p> <p>2024 16th Japanese Society of Robotic Surgery Outstanding Presentation Award</p>



Dr. Toshio Fujisawa

Senior Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology
 Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University
 Japan

Areas of interest	Gastroenterology, especially cholangio-pancreatic cancer Endoscopic therapy for pancreato-biliary diseases Molecular Target Therapy and Cancer Vaccines
Educational and Career Experiences	2001-2003 Clinical Resident, Department of Internal Medicine, St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 2003-2004 Clinical fellow, Department of Internal Medicine, St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 2004-2006 Graduate student, Gastroenterology, School of Medicine, Yokohama City University 2007-2011 Postdoctoral fellow, Tumor Vaccine and Biotechnology Branch, Division of Cellular Gene Therapies, Office of Cellular Tissue and Gene Therapies, Center of Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA, USA 2011-2016 Staff, Department of Gastroenterology, NTT Medical Center Tokyo 2016-2023 Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University, Tokyo 2023-present Senior Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University, Tokyo
Honors and Awards	January 21, 2007 WINNER of Scholar-in-Training Awards. In the Forefront of Basic and Translational Cancer Research, 7th Joint conference of AACR and JCA. Hilton Waikoloa Village, Waikoloa, Hawaii. July 5, 2010 WINNER of the Fellows Award for Research Excellence (FARE) 2011 competition sponsored by the NIH Scientific Directors, the Office of Intramural Training & Education, the Office of Research on Women's Health, as well as the Fellows Committee. April 28, 2018 WINNER of Travel grant. In the Joint Meeting of the Asian-Oceanic Pancreatic Association, the Korean Pancreatobiliary Association, and the Korean Pancreas Surgery Club (AOPA&KPBA&KPSC) 2018 2009 JSGE



Dr. Takumi Fukumoto

Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Department of Surgery, Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery

Educational and Career Experiences 1987: M.D., Faculty of Medicine, Shiga University of Medical Science
1987-88: Residency, Kobe University Hospital
1988-89: Residency, Kobe Kaigan Hospital
1989-90: Residency, Kobe Kasai Hospital
1990-91: Residency, Kobe Rosai Hospital
1991-92: Fellow, Kobe University Hospital
1992-94: PhD student, Kobe University
1994-1996: Postdoctoral Research Fellow- Humboldt University (Germany)
1996: Ph. D., Kobe University School of Medicine
1996-99: Staff, Osaka Saiseikai Nakatsu Hospital
1999-2005: Staff, Kobe University Hospital
2005-2017: Assistant professor- Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine
2017 : Professor- Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine



Dr. Junji Furuse

President, Kanagawa Cancer Center
Japan

Areas of interest

Gastrointestinal Medical Oncology, especially hepatobiliary and pancreatic cancer

Educational and Career Experiences

Education

March 1984, graduated from Chiba University School of Medicine
July 1992, obtain Ph.D. in Chiba University

Occupation

May 1984 Licensed as a Medical Doctor (No. 281218)
May 1984-June 1992, the First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital
July 1992- February 2008, Division of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Medical Oncology, National Cancer Center Hospital East
March 2008-March 2022, Professor, Department of Medical Oncology, Kyorin University Faculty of Medicine
April 2022- President, Kanagawa Cancer Center

Activities

ASCO, ESMO: active member



Dr. Giovanni Galati

Medical Doctor, Chief-Assistant, Assistant Professor. Department of Clinical Medicine and Hepatology, Fondazione Policlinico Universitario Campus Bio-Medico
Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma
Italy

Areas of interest Hepatocellular carcinoma, Hepatitis B, Interventional and Diagnostic Liver Ultrasound.

Educational and Career Experiences **EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE**
2004 Campus Bio-Medico University, Rome, School of Medicine (M.D.);
2009 Campus Bio-Medico University, Rome, School of Internal Medicine, post-graduate degree;
2013 La Sapienza University of Rome, Clinical Ultrasound, post-graduate degree.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2014 Juntendo University, Department of Gastroenterological Imaging and Interventional Oncology, Tokyo, Japan, Cooperative researcher

EDUCATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

2019-present, Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, Italy, Director of the Ultrasound School;

2009-present, Clinical Medicine Course, School of Medicine, Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, Rome, Italy, Assistant Professor.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2009-present Department of Clinical Medicine and Hepatology, Fondazione Policlinico Universitario Campus Bio-Medico, Rome, Italy

Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, Rome, Italy **QUALIFICATION**

Specialist in Internal Medicine and Clinical Ultrasound

Honors and Awards **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2012, "Nella vita ci vuole fegato" award, Alliance Against Hepatitis (ACE), Rome, Italy, for having conceived and carried out the first show of people with hepatitis C, with the goal of communication and awareness about the virus.

DISSERTATION ACHIEVEMENTS

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Dr. Jacob George

Robert W. Storr Professor of Hepatic Medicine at the Storr Liver Centre, Westmead Institute for Medical Research, University of Sydney and Head of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Westmead Hospital
Australia

Areas of interest	Prof George has interests in basic and clinical research on MAFLD, hepatitis C, liver cancer and hepatic fibrosis.
Educational and Career Experiences	Prof George is a Co-Editor Journal of Hepatology Reports (since Oct 2023) and senior Editor for Seminars in Liver Disease (since 2022). He was Associate Editor for J Hepatology for 9 years till Oct 2023. He is on the executive of the International Association for the study of Liver (IASL), was a past Executive Council member and Chair of Research for the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (APASL), and previous board member of the Gastroenterological Society of Australia and previous Chair of the Liver Faculty of the Gastroenterological Society of Australia. He is the current chair of the APASL MAIDEN consortium. He has published extensively.
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof George received the 2021 Premier's Awards for Outstanding Cancer Research, NSW Cancer Institute • 2021 Sally Crossing AM Award for Outstanding Research, Cancer Council NSW • 2020 Okuda-Omata APASL Distinguished Research award, Asian Pacific Association for Study of Liver Disease (APASL) • Fellow of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Sciences (AAHMS, 2017), • Distinguished Researcher Prize, Gastroenterological Society of Australia (2017) • Westmead Millennium Institute Science Prize for outstanding research (each year for 2017-2022) • Clarivate highly cited researcher for 2021, 2022, 2023.



Dr. Robert G. Gish

Medical Director – Hepatitis B Foundation

USA

Areas of interest

See below

Educational and
Career Experiences

Dr. Gish was first in Pharmacy School at the University of Kansas and then obtained his medical degree from the University of Kansas Medical School in Kansas City, Kansas. He completed a 3-year internal medicine residency at the University of California, San Diego, and a 4-year gastroenterology and hepatology fellowship at the University of California, Los Angeles which included transplant medicine.

He has served on the editorial boards of American Journal of Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Journal of Hepatology, Digestive Diseases and Sciences, and Gastroenterology, among many others. He co-authored a public health policy for liver health in Vietnam focusing on HBV and is also assisting with the development of viral hepatitis health care policies in Georgia, Armenia, and the Philippines. He was a major early contributor to decipher methods for the detection of hepatitis B and C virus and characterizing their epidemiology and clinical presentation in humans. He was involved in studies that led to the genotypic classification strategies and methods now in use worldwide. He has published more than 700 original articles, abstracts, and book chapters.

Robert G. Gish, MD, is currently an Adjunct Professor of Medicine at the University of Nevada Schools of Medicine in Las Vegas and in Reno. He serves as an Adjunct Professor of Pharmacy at Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at UCSD, a Clinical Professor of Medicine at Loma Linda University. In addition, he is the Medical Director of the Asian Pacific Health Foundation in San Diego, CA and of the Hepatitis B Foundation in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. Dr. Gish is currently seeing patients, both in-person and via telemedicine, at various clinics in San Diego, Folsom, San Jose, Santa Rosa, and Valley Springs. He is a staff physician at La Maestra, a federally qualified health center in San Diego. Dr. Gish also serves as a Board Member of the Viet Nam Viral Hepatitis Alliance (VVHA).

Honors and Awards

Dr. Gish is a fellow of the American Association for the Study of Liver Disease, the American Society of Transplantation and American College of Physicians.



Dr. Naoto Gotohda

Chief Department of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery, National Cancer Center Hospital East
Japan

Areas of interest HBP-MIS

Educational and **Education**
Career Experiences 1991-97 Okayama University Medical School.
 2002-06 Graduate School of Medicine, Okayama University.

Career
1997-2000 Okayama University Hospital, Terada Hospital
2000- Resident, Chief Resident, 2004- Staff Surgeon, 2010- Section head,
2017-present Chief, Department of HBP Surgery, NCCHE



Dr. Jordi Gracia-Sancho

Research Professor in Experimental Hepatology, Hepatology, IDIBAPS
 –Hospital Clínic Barcelona– CIBEREHD
 Spain

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| Areas of interest | Chronic liver disease; hepatic hemodynamics; portal hypertension; vascular liver disease; vascular biology; liver sinusoidal endothelial cells; liver fibrosis; aging; senescence |
| Educational and Career Experiences | Graduated in Biochemistry receiving undergraduate research training in basic hemochromatosis at the London Metropolitan University, pursued pre-doctoral studies in basic portal hypertension at the University of Barcelona Medical School. Post-doctoral training in vascular biology at Harvard University. |
| Honors and Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Editor in Chief, <i>npj Gut & Liver</i>, a Nature Portfolio Journal. Previously, Associate Editor for the <i>Journal of Hepatology</i> (2019-2023). - Organizer of diverse educational initiatives including the LiverSeminars Program (www.liverseminars.eu), the 2018 EASL-Basic School of Hepatology, the 2020 APASL-Symposium on Regression of Portal Hypertension, the 2020 AASLD-Symposium on Senescence and Liver Diseases, the 2021 EASL-Symposium on Sinusoidal Cells in Liver Diseases, and the 2023 AMH-Irwin Arias Symposium. - Member of the Governing Board of the Spanish Association for the Study of the Liver (AEEH), the Basic Research Committee of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), the Steering Committee of the Portal Hypertension Special Interest Group of AASLD, and the Baveno Cooperation Steering Committee. - Emerging Leader Award from the European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL) in 2016; Fellow of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases in 2023. - President-Elect of the International Society for Hepatic Sinusoidal Research (ISHSR). |



Dr. Hiroaki Haga

Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
Japan

Areas of interest

Liver tumors
Viral hepatitis
Liver regeneration

Educational and
Career Experiences

1998: M.D, Iwate Medical University
2007: Ph.D., Yamagata University Graduate School
1998: Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
1999: Yonezawa City Hospital
2000: Yamagata Prefectural Kahoku Hospital
2001: Yamagata Prefectural Shinjo Hospital
2002: Yamagata Saisei Hospital
2004: Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
2010: Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
2012: Yamagata City Hospital Saiseikan
2013: Research Fellow, Mayo Clinic in Florida, USA
2015: Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
2019: Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University
2022: Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Yamagata University

Honors and Awards

2018: Presidential Poster of Distinction AASLD
2015: Fellow Research Award AASLD
2015: Presidential Poster of Distinction AASLD
2014: Presidential Poster of Distinction DDW
2013: Presidential Poster of Distinction AALD
2008: Presidential Choice award APASL
2007: Best poster award Sixth JSH Single Topic Conference



Dr. Tsuyoshi Hamada

Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Graduate School of Medicine,
The University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest	Endoscopic biliary drainage Molecular pathological epidemiology
Educational and Career Experiences	M.D. (The University of Tokyo) Ph.D. (The University of Tokyo) M.P.H. (St. Luke's International University)
Honors and Awards	2018, UEG Week, Travel Grant 2018, Japan Digestive Disease Week, Young Investigator Award 2020, Journal of Gastroenterology High Citation Award 2020, Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society Award



Dr. Ryuji Hamamoto

Division Chief, National Cancer Center Research Institute,
Professor of NCC Medical Science, Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Japan

Areas of interest	Medical AI, Precision oncology, Tumor biology
Educational and Career Experiences	After conducting cancer research at Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo, and Department of Oncology, University of Cambridge, UK, Dr. Hamamoto joined Department of Medicine in The University of Chicago as an Associate Professor in 2012. Since 2016, Dr. Hamamoto has been a Division Chief of the National Cancer Center Research Institute.
Honors and Awards	Canon Foundation Research Fellowship Award (January 2007) AACR Scholar-in-Training Award (AACR 2009) Wellness Award of the Year 2019 JCA-CHAAO Award (October 2021)



Dr. Saeed Hamid

Professor of Medicine & Gastroenterology Department of Medicine Aga Khan University
Pakistan

Areas of interest	Elimination of Hepatitis Virus Infection
Educational and Career Experiences	MBBS- Kind Edward Medical College, Pakistan FRCP- Royal College of Physicians of London Post Graduate Training in the UK and USA.
Honors and Awards	Chair of the Who Hepatitis C Guidelines Development group in 2016, 2018 and 2022. Co-Chair of the WHO Hepatitis C Self Testing Guidelines Development group- 2021 Co-Chair of the WHO Hepatitis B Guidelines Development Group-2023



Dr. Kazuo Hara

Director, Department of Gastroenterology, Aichi Cancer Center
Japan

Areas of interest Pancreato-Biliary Cancers
Pancreato-Biliary Endoscopy

Educational and Career Experiences Nagoya University School of Medicine, March 1996 graduation
Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine, March 2008 graduation
Medical staff of Toyohashi municipal Hospital, May 1996
Chief physician of department of Gastroenterology, Komaki municipal Hospital, April 2000
Chief physician of department of Gastroenterology, Aichi Cancer Center Hospital, October 2001
Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine, 2002
Chief physician of department of Gastroenterology, Aichi Cancer Center Hospital, Nagoya, from April 2008
Director of department of Gastroenterology, Aichi Cancer Center, Nagoya, from April 2016 until now



Dr. Muhsin Murat Muhip Harputluoglu

Professor, MD. Transplant Hepatology and Gastroenterology Inonu University Medical Faculty
Liver Transplant Institute Malatya
Turkey

Areas of interest

Liver Transplantation
Hepatocellular carcinoma
Transplant Hepatology

Educational and Career Experiences

Ankara University Medical Faculty, 1996
Inonu University Medical Faculty Internal Medicine 2000,
Inonu University Medical Faculty Gastroenterology 2003,
Professor, Inonu University Medical Faculty Liver Transplant Institute,
Gastroenterology and Transplant hepatology, (since 2013)

Honors and Awards

1. 22.National Gastroenterology Week (2005, Malatya) Best poster award (First)
2. 23. National Gastroenterology Week (2006, Istanbul) Best poster award (second) (Danone Institute) (E97)
3. 7. Hepatogastroenterology Congress (2010, Antalya) Best poster award (second)
4. Young Investigator Program, United European Gastroenterology Week (UEGW), 2001, Amsterdam.
5. Best oral presentation award (first), 29. National Gastroenterology Week, 2013
6. Best oral presentation award (first), 2015, National Hepatology Congress.
7. Best oral presentation (second), 2017, 14.National Hepatogastroenterology Congress, Antalya.
8. Interventional endoscopic procedures training scholarship, 2019, United States of America, Houston, Texas (3 months, Turkish Gastroenterology Association scholarship)



Dr. Kiyoshi Hasegawa

Professor and Chairman in Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Division,
 Artificial Organ and Transplantation Division, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine
 and the University Hospital, The University of Tokyo
 Japan

Areas of interest Hepato-biliary-pancreatic surgery
 Liver transplantation

Educational and **Education:**
 Career Experiences 1993: M.D., University of Tokyo Medical School, Tokyo, Japan
 2003: Ph.D., University of Tokyo Graduate School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

Career Experiences:
 2019-present: Professor and Chairman in Artificial Organ and Transplantation
 Division, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and the
 University Hospital, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 2017-present: Professor and Chairman in Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery
 Division, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and the
 University Hospital, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 2009-2017: Associate Professor in Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Division,
 Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and the University
 Hospital, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 2008-2009: Lecturer in Artificial Organ and Transplantation Division,
 Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and the University
 Hospital, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 2003-2007: Assistant Professor in Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Division,
 Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine and the University
 Hospital, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 1999-2000: Active Staff & Surgeon, Kanto Medical Center NTT EC, Tokyo,
 Japan
 1994-1996: Active Staff & Surgeon, Fujieda Municipal Hospital, Fujieda,
 Shizuoka, Japan

Honors and Awards Young Investigator Award, 17th Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the
 Liver (APASL), 2007



Dr. Takeshi Hatanaka

Chief physician, Department of Gastroenterology, Gunma Saiseikai Maebashi Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Systemic chemotherapy, Radiofrequency Ablation and Transcatheter Arterial Chemoembolization for hepatocellular carcinoma.

Educational and Career Experiences **Education:**
1999-2005 M.D., Gunma University School of Medicine, Maebashi, Gunma, Japan

Work Experience:

2005- Fellow, First Department of Internal Medicine, Gunma University Hospital

2007- Staff Doctor, Department of Internal Medicine, Tone Chuo Hospital, Gunma, Japan

2008- Staff Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology, Saiseikai Maebashi Hospital, Gunma, Japan

2012- Chief Physician, Department of Internal Medicine, Isesaki Municipal Hospital, Gunma, Japan

2015- Research associate, Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University, Tokyo, Japan

2016- Chief physician, Department of Gastroenterology, National Hospital Organization Takasaki General Hospital, Gunma, Japan

2017-Current Chief physician, Department of Gastroenterology, Gunma Saiseikai Maebashi Hospital, Gunma, Japan

Honors and Awards **Membership and Certification:**
Board Certified Trainer of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
Board Certified Trainer of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
Board Certified Trainer of the Japan Society of Hepatology
Board Certified Trainer of the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Member of the Liver Cancer Study Group of Japan



Dr. Etsuro Hatano

Professor Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery and Transplantation, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University, Deputy Director, Kyoto University Hospital

Director, Institute for Advanced Medical Research and Development (iACT), Kyoto University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Multidisciplinary treatment for hepatobiliary cancer
Minimally invasive surgery
Transplant oncology

Educational and
Career Experiences

EDUCATION

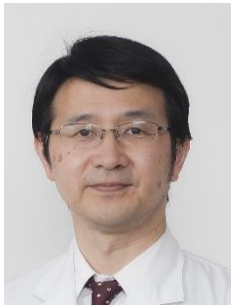
1994 - 1997, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
1983 - 1989, Faculty of Medicine, Kyoto University

EMPLOYMENT

2021 Division of Hepatobiliary Pancreatic Surgery and Transplantation, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
2019 Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Hyogo College of Medicine
2016 Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery, Department of Surgery, Hyogo College of Medicine
2006 Division of Hepatobiliary Pancreatic Surgery and Transplantation, Department of Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
2000 Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
1998 Research Associate, Department of Medicine and Department of Biochemistry & Biophysics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
1990 Clinical Fellow, Wakayama Red Cross Hospital
1989 Resident, Kyoto University Hospital

Honors and Awards

Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Outstanding Original Article Award and Takada Award in 2015
Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Presidential Award in 2015 etc.



Dr. Yoichi Hiasa

Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabology, Ehime University Graduate School of Medicine

Vice Director of Ehime University Hospital and Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepatocellular carcinoma
Non-alcoholic steatohepatitis
Viral hepatitis, Abdominal ultrasonography
Vaccine therapy

Educational and
Career Experiences

1990 Graduate Ehime University School of Med.
1999 Instructor, Ehime University.
2000 Research Fellow of Gastrointestinal Unit, Massachusetts General Hospital, USA.
2002 Assistant Professor, Ehime University.
2007 Lecturer, Ehime University Hospital.
2010 Associate Professor, Ehime University.
2013 to present, Professor, Ehime University.
2015 to present, Vice Director of Ehime University Hospital.
2023 to present, Vice Director of Ehime University Graduate School of Medicine.
2017 to present, Member of FAASLD and AGAF.

Honors and Awards

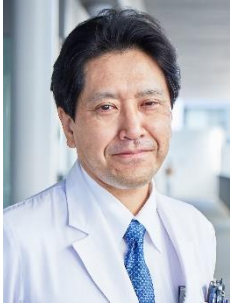
Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Award from American Liver Foundation, Award from Japanese Society of Hepatology, Award from Liver Forum in Kyoto, Distinguished award of publication from Ehime University, Award from Ehime Medical Society, Best Teacher for Graduate School Students



Dr. Taizo Hibi

Professor and Chairman Department of Pediatric Surgery and Transplantation,
Kumamoto University Graduate School of Medical Sciences
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatopancreatobiliary and transplant surgery Transplant oncology
Educational and Career Experiences	Taizo Hibi graduated from Keio University (Tokyo, Japan) in 1998. He completed his surgical residency and fellowships at National Cancer Center Hospital (2001–2006, Tokyo) and Keio University (1999–2008), and University of Miami (2010–2012, Florida, U.S.). He was appointed as assistant professor at Keio University (2008–2017).
Honors and Awards	2022 The Best doctors in Japan 2022–2023 2020 Clinical Investigation Project Award, Japan Surgical Society 2020 Best Oral Award, the 120th Annual Congress of Japan Surgical Society 2020 The Best doctors in Japan 2020–2021 2019 Best Video Award, the 7th Biennial Congress of the Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association 2019 Best Operative Record Chairperson's Award, the 74th General Meeting of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery 2018 The Best doctors in Japan 2018–2019 2016 The Best doctors in Japan 2016–2017 2014 Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery Young Investigator of the Year 2013 Distinguished Presentation Award, the 31th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Liver Transplantation Society 2011 Traveler's Grant Award, the 111th Annual Congress of Japan Surgical Society 2009 Distinguished Presentation Award, the 47th Annual Meeting of the Japan Society of Clinical Oncology 1998 Charles Bareham Award (Best Intern of the Year), US Naval Hospital Yokosuka



Dr. Hisashi Hidaka

Clinical professor at Department of Gastroenterology, Internal Medicine, Kitasato University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Portal Hypertension, Liver Cancer

Educational and Career Experiences March /31/91 Medical Bachelor of Shimane Medical University
 April/1/91 Intern at Kitasato University Hospital,
 March/1/2002 Ph.D. Kitasato University School of Medicine
 April/1/2009 Medical Director of the Liver Disease at Kitasato University East Hospital
 November/1/2017 Associate professor at Department of Gastroenterology, Internal Medicine, Kitasato University School of Medicine
 February/1/2020 clinical professor at Department of Gastroenterology, Internal Medicine, Kitasato University School of Medicine

Honors and Awards November/2019 AASLD Poster Award



Dr. Shuhei Hige

Director, Sapporo-Kosei General Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Viral hepatitis

Educational and
Career Experiences

1983: Graduate from Hokkaido University School of Medicine (MD)

1994: Ph.D in Medicine, Hokkaido University

1994-2001: Assistant Professor, Third Department of Internal Medicine,
Hokkaido University

2001-2012: Lecturer, Third Department of Internal Medicine, Hokkaido
University

2010-2012: Director, Consultation Center for Liver Diseases, Hokkaido
University Hospital

2012-2015: General Manager, Department of Hepatology, Sapporo-Kosei
General Hospital

2015-2020: Vice Director, Sapporo-Kosei General Hospital

2020-present: Director, Sapporo-Kosei General Hospital



Dr. Takuto Hikichi

Chairperson and Professor, Department of Endoscopy, Fukushima Medical University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Endoscopic treatment for upper gastrointestinal cancers Endoscopic treatment for esophageal and gastric varices
Educational and Career Experiences	Apr 1989 - Mar 1995: School of Medicine, Fukushima Medical University Sep 2004: PhD in Gastroenterology (Fukushima Medical University) Nov 2005 - present time: Department of Endoscopy, Fukushima Medical University Hospital
Honors and Awards	Best reviewer award in 2015 of Digestive endoscopy Best reviewer award in 2017 of Digestive endoscopy Best reviewer award in 2019 of Digestive endoscopy Best reviewer award in 2021 of Digestive endoscopy Best reviewer award in 2021 of DEN Open Distinguished Reviewers Award of Digestive endoscopy



Dr. Hayato Hikita

Associate Professor, Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Osaka University,
Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

liver carcinogenesis
liver cancer
liver fibrosis
hepatitis

Educational and Career Experiences

2011.3 B.S. in Medicine,
Osaka University School of Medicine
2020.3 Ph.D. in Medical Science,
Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine
2012.4 Assistant professor
Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine,
2022.8 Associate professor
Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine

Honors and Awards

2011.3 Taisyo-Toyama Award (The Japan Society of Hepatology)
2011.10 Bristol-Myers Award (The Japan Society of Hepatology)
2022.9 APASL Oncology 2022 Presidential Award



Dr. Atsushi Hiraoka

Manager, Gastroenterology center, Ehime Prefectural Central Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular carcinoma
Systemic chemotherapy
Ablation treatment

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education

1998: MD, Kagoshima University, Japan
2005: PhD, Ehime University, Japan

Job

1998: Third department of Internal Medicine, Ehime Univ., Japan
1999 to 2002: Internal medicine, Saiseikai Imabari Hospital, Japan
2002 to 2005: Department of Gastroenterology and Metabology, Ehime Univ.,
Japan
2005 to present: Gastroenterology center, Ehime Prefectural Central Hospital,
Japan

License:

1998: Full Medical License, Japan

Honors and Awards

2006: A research encouragement award of the Japan Society of Gastroenterology
2014: A research encouragement award of the Japan Society of Hepatology
2017: 16th Otsuka Award (the Japan Society of Hepatology)
2018: 8th Okita Award (the Japan Association of Molecular Targeted Therapy for HCC)
2021: 29th Ehime Medical Association Award (the Medical Association of Ehime Prefecture)
2022: Hepatology Research citation award



Dr. Masao Honda

Professor, Department of Clinical Laboratory Medicine
Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Science
Japan

Areas of interest	HBV replication Innate immunity to viral infection MAFLD/MASH Cancer immunity
Educational and Career Experiences	1998: Graduate School of Medicine, Kanazawa University 1998-1992: Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medicine. 1994-2001: Assistant Professor of Department of Gastroenterology, School of Medicine, Kanazawa University 1994-1997: Research Fellow of Division of Infectious Disease, Department of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Dr. Stanley M Lemon) 2001-2007: Associate Professor, Department of Infectious Disease and Disease Control, Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medicine. 2007-Present: Professor, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Kanazawa University Graduate School of Health Medicine.
Honors and Awards	1994: Young Investigator's Award of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine 2003: Young Investigator's Award of Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan 2005: Schering-Plough Award of Japan Society of Hepatology 2013: The Invention Prize of Japan Institute of Invention and Innovation.



Dr. Naoki Hotta

Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Chief of Capsule endoscopy center
 Chief of interventional oncology center, Masuko Memorial Hospital
 Masuko Memorial Hospital
 Japan

**Educational and
 Career Experiences**

Education:

- 2003 Ph.D. (Dr of Medical Science), Aichi Medical University school of Medical Sciences
- 1993 M.D. Aichi Medical University Graduate school of Medical Sciences
- 1993 passed the Examination of National Board : License No357325

Professional Training and Employment:

- 2021.11- Chief of interventional oncology center(concurrent post)
- 2020.8- Chief of Capusel endoscopy center(concurrent post)
- 2013.6- Director, Masuko Memorial Hospital Department of Hepatology and Gastroenterology
- 2007.11 Sub-Director, Masuko Memorial Hospital Department of Hepatology
- 2007.2 Assistant professor,Aichi Medical Unversity,Department of Gastroenterology
- 2002.3 Assistant,Aichi Medical Unversity,Department of Gastroenterology
- 1999.9 Assistant,Aichi Medical Unversity,The first Department of Internal Medicine
- 1998.10 Director,Ukai Hospital Department of Gastroenterology
- 1998.4 Assistant,Aichi Medical Unversity,The first Department of Internal Medicine
- 1994.6 Resident, Holy Spirit Hospital Department of Internal Medicine
- 1993.5 Resident,Aichi Medical Unversity,The first Department of Internal Medicine
- 1993 Passed the Examination of National Board

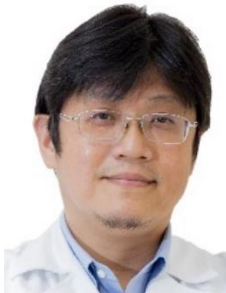


Dr. Jin-Lin Hou

State Key Laboratory of Organ Failure Research, Guangdong Provincial Key Laboratory of Viral Hepatitis Research, Department of Infectious Diseases, Nanfang Hospital, Southern Medical University School of Basic Medical Sciences, Southern Medical University
Institute of Cellular Medicine, Newcastle University Medical School
Medical College of Georgia, Augusta University
China

Educational and Career Experiences

Professor Jin-Lin Hou is the Executive Council member of APASL and the president elect of Chinese Medical Association for Infectious Diseases. Professor Hou joined the University Department of Medicine of Nanfang Hospital in July 1984. Between 1993 and 1994, he received training in the Department of Medicine at St. Mary's Hospital Medical School in London, UK. Between 2000 and 2001, Professor Hou was a visiting Fellow at the Institute of Hepatology, London, UK. He has been invited to deliver talks at both national and international liver conferences owing to his expertise in viral hepatitis and other liver diseases. His current research interests include the clinical management of liver diseases and the molecular virology and immunology of hepatitis viruses. He has published more than 500 articles including GUT, J Hepatology, NATURE med, NEJM, Science, et al.



Dr. Kai-Wen Huang

Professor and Director, Centre of Mini-invasive Interventional Oncology,
National Taiwan University Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Genomics, Gene Therapy, Translational medicine, Cancer research, Hepatology & Gastroenterology, Surgery, Interventional Oncology, Radiofrequency Medicine, Nanomagnetic medicine, Thermotherapy & Photodynamic therapy
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>M.S. and PhD in Clinical Medicine, National Taiwan University, School of Medicine</p> <p>CEO, Center of Functional Image and Interventional Therapy, National Taiwan University</p> <p>Professor, Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine, National Taiwan University, College of Medicine.</p> <p>Founder & President, Taiwan Academy of Tumor Ablation (TATA)</p> <p>Board of directors of Asia-Pacific Association of Imaging-guided Minimally Invasive Therapy in Oncology (AAMIO)</p> <p>Founder & Board of directors of Asia Congress of Tumor Ablation (ACTA)</p> <p>Founder & Dean, Taiwan Association of Interventional and Therapeutic Ultrasound (TAITU)</p> <p>Chair of Taiwan Academy of Mini-invasive Intervention (TAMI)</p> <p>Chair of Asia-Pacific Academia of Mini-Invasive Intervention and Oncology (APAIO)</p> <p>Asia-Oceania Chair of Society of Interventional Oncology.</p> <p>Honorary Professor of Imperial College London</p> <p>Visited Professor of National University of Singapore</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Mr. Wu Dayu Memorial Award</p> <p>Honorary Professor of Imperial College London</p> <p>Visited Professor of National University of Singapore</p>



Dr. Yi-Hsiang Huang

President, Taiwan Liver Cancer Association (TLCA)
 Chair Professor, Institute of Clinical Medicine, College of Medicine, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University
 Director, Healthcare and Services Center, Taipei Veterans General Hospital
 Taiwan

Areas of interest	HCC treatment: locoregional and systemic Hepatitis B, C management
Educational and Career Experiences	Postdoctoral Fellow, Vaccine Branch, National Cancer Institute, National Institute of Health. Bethesda, MD, USA (2006-2007) Ph.D., Institute of Clinical Medicine, College of Medicine, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University. Taipei, Taiwan. (2000-2004) M.D., School of Medicine, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University. Taipei, Taiwan. (1984-1991)
Honors and Awards	President, Taiwan Liver Cancer Association (TLCA) (2023-2027) Council member, Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert (APPLE) Association (Since 2023/7) Executive committee member, Taiwan Association for the Study of the Liver (TASL) (sine 2023/9) Secretary General, Chinese Medical Association-Taipei (2020-2026) Academic Award of Prof. JL Sung’s Research Foundation (2001) National Innovation Award (Academic Research Category), Taiwan (2023)



Dr. Yoshiyuki Ida

Associate Professor, Second Department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences <Education>

- 2015
Ph.D. in Medical science, Wakayama Medical University
- 2003
M.D. School of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Tottori University

<Career Experiences>

- 2017-present
Associate Professor: Second Department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University
- 2008-2017
Assistant Professor: Second Department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University
- 2006-2008
Staff Physician: First Department of Internal Medicine, Hidaka Hospital
- 2005-2006
Assistant Professor: Second Department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University
- 2003-2005
Resident: Wakayama Medical University Hospital

Honors and Awards • 2012
Young Investigator Full Bursary- The 47th Annual Meeting of the European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL)

- 2011
Young Investigator Full Bursary- The 46th Annual Meeting of the European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL)



Dr. Kazuharu Igarashi

Assistant Professor, Department of General-Pediatric-Hepatobiliary Pancreatic Surgery,
Kitasato University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatobiliary pancreatic surgeon

Educational and 2008 Graduated from Kitasato University School of Medicine, received a degree.
Career Experiences 2018 Graduated from Kitasato University School of Medicine



Dr. Yuji Iimuro

Assistant Director, Department of Surgery, Division of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery
Yamanashi Central Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatobiliary and pancreatic surgery Liver Cancer, Genetic analysis, Liver regeneration Liver fibrosis
Educational and Career Experiences	1986 M.D. Yamanashi Medical College, Japan 1990 Ph.D. Yamanashi Medical College, Japan 1994 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Dept. of Pharmacology, Dept. of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 1999 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Gastroenterological Surgery, Kyoto University College of Medicine 2001 Associate Professor, First Department of Surgery, Hyogo College of Medicine, Japan 2011 Professor, Dept. of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery, Hyogo College of Medicine, Japan 2017 Director of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery Yamanashi Central Hospital 2021 Director of Medical Affairs 2023 Present



Dr. Masafumi Ikeda

Chief, Hepatobiliary & Pancreatic Oncology, National Cancer Center Hospital East
Japan

- Areas of interest My main areas of interest are medical oncology in the field of hepatobiliary & pancreatic cancer and neuroendocrine neoplasms.
- Educational and Career Experiences Third department of Internal Medicine, Kumamoto University School of Medicine, Trainee, 1994-1995.
Internal Medicine, National Cancer Center Hospital, Resident & Chief resident, 1996-2001.
Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Oncology division, National Cancer Center Hospital, Medical staff, 2002-2008.
Department of hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Oncology, National Cancer Center Hospital East, Section head, 2008-
Department of hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Oncology, National Cancer Center Hospital East, Chief, 2011-
- Honors and Awards • Asia Pacific Association for the study of Liver Meeting 2002
Young Investigators Award.
• Journal of Gastroenterology 2006 Incentive award



Dr. Fumio Imazeki

Chief of Medical Office
 Chiba Prefecture Federation of Health and Welfare Agricultural Co-operatives
 Japan

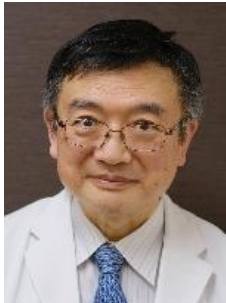
Areas of interest	Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Hepatitis D MAFLD
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1974-1979 Chiba University School of Medicine, Japan</p> <p>Awarded the degree of MD</p> <p>1987 Awarded the degree of PhD</p> <p>1979 Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>1980 Internal Medicine, Kamitsuga Hospital</p> <p>1981 Internal Medicine, Shimizu Kosei Hospital</p> <p>1982 First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>1987 Internal Medicine, Kokuho Sanmugunan Hospital</p> <p>1988 First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>1990 Assistant, First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>1996 Lecturer, First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2007 Associate Professor, First Department of Internal Medicine, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2012 Director and Professor of Safety and Health Organization</p> <p>2022-present Chief of Medical Office Chiba Prefecture Federation of Health and Welfare Agricultural Co-operatives</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>1988 Japan Society of Hepatology Research Encouragement Award</p> <p>1989 Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation Research Encouragement Award</p>



Dr. Jun Inoue

Lecturer Department of Gastroenterology Tohoku University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Therapies for viral hepatitis Molecular biology of hepatitis viruses
Educational and Career Experiences	2000 M.D. Tohoku University School of Medicine 2007 Ph.D. Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine 2007-2011 Medical staff of Internal Medicine in Tohoku University Hospital 2011-2014 Research fellow in Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN 2014-2022 Assistant Professor in Tohoku University Hospital 2022-present Lecturer in Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine
Honors and Awards	2007 Sponsorship for overseas training from the Japan Society of Hepatology 2010 Fellowship from Liver Forum in Kyoto 2010 Sponsorship for overseas education from Mochida Memorial Foundation for Medical and Pharmaceutical Research



Dr. Kazuaki Inoue

Professor Department of Gastroenterology
 International University Health and Welfare Narita Hospital
 Japan

Areas of interest	Artificial liver support HCV replication and host factors Management of acute liver failure
Educational and Career Experiences	1990 – 1992 Assistant Professor at the Showa University, School of Medicine 1990 – 1994 Assistant Professor at the Division of Gastroenterology, Showa University Fujigaoka Hospital 1994 – 1996 Assistant Professor at the Division of Emergency Medicine, Showa University Fujigaoka Hospital 1996 – 1999 Research Associate, Department of Microbiology and Cell Biology, The Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Medical Science 1999 – 2020 Visiting researcher, Department of Microbiology and Cell Biology, The Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Medical Science 1999 – 2001 Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Showa University Fujigaoka Hospital 2001 – 2020 Associate Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Showa University Fujigaoka Hospital 2020 – present Professor Department of Gastroenterology International University Health and Welfare Narita Hospital
Honors and Awards	The 17th Promotion Award of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, 2004 Promotion Award of Alumni Association of Showa University, 2004 The 16th Kamijo Academic Award founded by Showa University, 2004 The 1st Chugai Award of the Japan Society of Hepatology, 2008



Dr. Atsushi Irisawa

Professor of Medicine, Chairman. Department of Gastroenterology. Dokkyo Medical University School of Medicine.
Japan

Areas of interest Viral hepatitis, hepatocellular carcinoma, molecular biology, stem cell technology

Educational and Career Experiences **Education**
1996 Ph.D. Doctor of Medical Science, Fukushima Medical University.
1989 MD. Cum laude, Dokkyo Medical College.

Professional Experience

2022.4-present

Vice-president. Dokkyo Medical University Hospital.

2018.4-present

Professor and Chairman. Department of Gastroenterology. Dokkyo medical University School of Medicine.

2010.4-2018.3

Professor, Director. Department of Gastroenterology. Aizu Medical Center, Fukushima Medical University.

2002.5-2010.3

Associate Professor. Department of Internal Medicine 2, Fukushima Medical University.

2000-2001

Visiting Faculty, Center for EUS, Division of Gastroenterology, University Florida.

1994-2000

Assistant Professor, Department of Internal Medicine 2, Fukushima Medical University.

1989-1994

Resident in Internal Medicine, Fukushima Medical University.



Dr. Hiroyuki Isayama

Professor Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University
Japan

Areas of interest

therapeutic ERCP and interventional EUS

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education

1986-1992 Jikei University School of Medicine awarded M.D.
1992-1994 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Resident of internal medicine
1994-1997 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Senior resident of Gastroenterology
1997-2002 Post-graduate school, University of Tokyo, awarded PhD.

Professional experience:

1992-1994 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Dept. of Internal medicine.
1994-1997 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
1997-1999 University of Tokyo Hospital, 2nd Dept. of internal medicine.
1999-2001 Mitsui Memorial Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
2001-2004 University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
2004-2011 Assistant professor; Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo.
2012-2013 Associate professor; Department of Gastroenterology, Training Program for Oncology Professionals, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo
2013-2017 Associate professor; Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo

Honors and Awards

Research award from:

1. Outstanding Reviewer 2011, Internal Medicine.
2. The prize from Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society (JGES), 2012
3. The Best Doctors in Japan 2016-2017 selected
4. The Best Doctors in Japan 2018-2019 selected
5. The Best Doctors in Japan 2020-2021 selected
6. The Best Doctors in Japan 2022-2023 selected
7. WILEY Top Cited Article 2020-2021
8. WILEY Top Downloaded Article 2021
9. WILEY Top Cited Article 2021-2022



Dr. Masatoshi Ishigami

Visiting Researcher Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University
 Graduate School of Medicine
 Japan

Areas of interest Viral Hepatitis, Liver failure, Hepatocellular carcinoma, Liver transplantation

Educational and Career Experiences (Education and job careers)
 May, 1991 Resident in Yokkaichi Municipal Hospital
 Jul, 1996 3rd Department of Internal Medicine, Nagoya University Hospital
 Sept, 1999 Postdoctoral fellowship, The Scripps Research Institute
 Jan, 2002 3rd Department of Internal Medicine, Nagoya University Hospital
 Apr, 2002 Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital
 Apr, 2005 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital
 Oct, 2013 Senior Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital
 Jun, 2020 Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine
 Jul, 2023 Visiting Researcher, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine

(Board memberships)
 Board Certified Member and Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
 Board Certified Gastroenterologist and Councilor of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
 Board Certified Hepatologist and Councilor of the Japanese Society of Hepatology
 Board Certified Member of the Japanese Society of Transplantation

Honors and Awards 2010 DDW-USA: presidential poster awards



Dr. Osamu Itano

Professor and Chairman, Department of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic & Gastrointestinal Surgery,
International University of Health and Welfare School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Cancer care and research, advanced laparoscopic surgery in hepatobiliary/
pancreas areas, Transplantation

Educational and 1992 M.D., Keio University, Tokyo, Japan
Career Experiences 2002 Doctor of Medical Science, Keio University
 2010 Instructor, Department of Surgery, Keio University
 2012 Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Keio University
 2016 Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Keio University

Honors and Awards 2020, Mar Karl-Stolz Award
 2023, Sep The 13th Annual Congress of the Association for the International
 University of Health and Welfare, Excellence Award



Dr. Takanori Ito

Assistant Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	HCC (treatment, especially systemic treatment), MASLD/MASH (clinical), immunology in hepatology
Educational and Career Experiences	Assistant Professor 05/2023-Present Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital, Japan
	Assistant Clinical Professor 04/2018-04/2023 Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital, Japan
	Medical Staff 04/2017-03/2018 Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Nagoya University Hospital, Japan
	Visiting Researcher 01/2015-03/2017 Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Stem cell Group, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan.
	Medical Staff 04/2012-12/2014 Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Ogaki Municipal Hospital, Japan
	Medical Staff 04/2008-03/2012 Department of Gastroenterology, Toyota Kosei Hospital, Japan
Honors and Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. JSH Award : 8th. Gilead Sciences Award (2023) 2. Investigator Award of APASL Oncology 2023 (2023, Sendai) 3. Best Publication in Hepatology International (2023) 4. 2023 Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine Best Presenter Award 5. 2021 JDDW Young Investigator Awards 6. 2018 Taisho-Toyama Award, Japan 7. 2017 Young Investigator Awards of Nagoya University Internal Medicine 8. 2016 AASLD Basic Science Young Investigator Awards (YIA), presidential poster of distinction (2016, Boston) 9. 2015 Nagoya Liver Research Conference Best Presenter Award 10. 2013 AASLD Poster of distinction (Washington, D.C.)



Dr. Yoshito Itoh

Professor Molecular Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Steatotic Liver Disease Organ Correlation Viral Hepatitis Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	1985 Graduate from Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine (M.D) 1992 Ph.D in Medicine, Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine 2013 Professor, Molecular Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine
Honors and Awards	1993 Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan Scholarship 1995 Japan Society of Hepatology Scholarship



Dr. Takao Itoi

Professor and Chair, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	<p>Pancreatobiliary Endoscopy</p> <p>Hepatobiliary pancreatic cancers</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1986-1991: Tokyo Medical University, Awarded the bachelor's degree</p> <p>1991-1995: Tokyo Medical University, Awarded the doctor's degree in medicine</p> <p>2016-present: Vice-president of Tokyo Medical University Hospital</p> <p>2016-present: Professor and Chair of Dept. of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University</p> <p>2015-present: Visiting professor of Dept. of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Keio University</p> <p>2015-present: Visiting professor of Dept. of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical and Dental University</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2010 Philippine Francisco Roman Memorial Lecture Award</p> <p>2011 ASGE Video Forum: World Cup of Endoscopy 2nd place</p> <p>2013 JGES Best Review Award</p> <p>2014 Yang K. Chen Memorial Lecture Award</p> <p>2014-2017/2019/2021/2023 GIE Best Reviewer Award</p> <p>2015 ASGE Audio Visual Award (Dhir V, Itoi T, Maydeo A)</p> <p>2016/2017 EIO Best Reviewer Award</p> <p>2017 Digestive Endoscopy (DEN) Best Reviewer Award</p> <p>2021 DJ Vakil Oration (ENDOCON 2021)</p>



Dr. Hideki Iwamoto

Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Medicine, Kurume University
 School of Medicine, Iwamoto Internal Medicine Clinic
 Japan

Areas of interest	Liver Cancer, Molecular Targeted Agent, Transcatheter arterial therapy, Tumor angiogenesis
Educational and Career Experiences	M.D. (Doctor of Medicine): 2005, Kurume University School of Medicine, 2005: Resident, Kurume University Hospital, 2007: Fellow, Department of Gastroenterology, Division of Medicine, Kurume University School of Medicine, 2008-2011, Graduate School of Medicine, Kurume University (Ph.D.), 2012: Postdoc fellow, Department of Microbiology Tumor and Cell Biology, Karolinska Institute, 2015 until now: Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Medicine, Kurume University School of Medicine, and Director of Iwamoto Internal Medicine Clinic
Honors and Awards	Peer-reviewed articles: Total 130 (first or corresponding author: 32) h-index: 32, 13 research grants Awards: 2012 Young Researcher's Award – Kurume University School of Medicine, 2017 Excellent poster award of AASLD, 2019 Special Award of Kurume University School of Medicine, Department of Gastroenterology Alumni, 2021 Award of Kurume University School of Medicine, Department of Gastroenterology Alumni, 2022 Investigator Award of APASL oncology, 2023 JDDW-TDDW-KDDW Joint Rising Star Award



Dr. S.M. Wasim Jafri

Director of the center for digestive and liver diseases at the South City Hospital
Pakistan

Dr S M Wasim Jafri graduated from Dow medical college Karachi Pakistan in 1977 and was trained in Medicine and Gastroenterology in United Kingdom, and received Hepatology training as a fellow at the University of Miami by Prof Eugene Schiff.

He is associated with Aga Khan University since January 1987. He is a professor of medicine and consultant gastroenterologist and hepatologist. He had been chair of medicine and section head of gastroenterology and was also the founding associate dean & chair of the department of continuing professional education. He has been director of the world gastroenterology organization Karachi training center since 2001. He also served as chair of ACT HBV Pakistan, executive council member of APASL, member of the Guidelines committee of the Asian Pacific Association for the study of Liver, Advisor to the Asian Pacific Association for the study of Liver. He has also worked with the WHO on the first HCV guidelines. He was also elected Governor of the American College of Gastroenterology in 2011 for 3 years. In 2018 he was awarded the prestigious award of Master of the American College of Gastroenterology. Currently Dr Jafri is also director of the center for digestive and liver diseases at the South City Hospital

Dr Jafri is a fellow of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London, Edinburgh and Glasgow and is also fellow of the American College of Physicians and Gastroenterology.

Dr Jafri is a Member of the New York Academy of Scientists and is the fellow of the FAIMER institute, he has been awarded the fellowship of the American Association for the Study of Liver Disease, and the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene UK. He was the Founding President of the Pakistan Society for the Study of Liver disease, founding Vice president of the Pakistan Society of Hepatology and General Secretary of the Pakistan Society of Gastroenterology and GI endoscopy.

He has been recipient of several national and international awards. He has been conferred four life time achievements awards by the Pakistan Society of Gastroenterology, Pakistan Society for the Study of Liver, South Asian Association for the Study of Liver by the prime minister of Nepal in 2018, and by the prime minister of Pakistan on the occasion of Shifa International Master of Hepatology Symposium 2018.

He has over 357 publications to his credit. His research work has 15846 citations and his h-index is 56 and i-10 index is 159. He sits on the editorial boards of many national and International journals and is an active member of several societies of his specialty.

Dr Jafri has trained scores of physicians in the field of medicine, gastroenterology and hepatology who are now heading various national and international institutions.



Dr. Jidong Jia

Chief Physician, Liver Diseases Center, Beijing Friendship Hospital, Capital Medical University
 Former president, APASL, Former president, The Chinese Society of Hepatology
 Former president, International Association for the Study of the Liver
 Chairman, Hepatology Committee, Society of Gastroenterology Physicians, Chinese Medical Doctor Association
 China

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| Areas of interest | Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD)
Hepatitis B and C
Autoimmune liver disease
Cholestatic liver disease
Inherited metabolic liver diseases |
| Educational and Career Experiences | 1993–current: Liver Diseases Center, Beijing Friendship Hospital, Capital Medical University
1990–1993: Capital Medical University, PhD |
| Honors and Awards | Special government allowances of the State Council
Second-class prize of the State Scientific and Technological Progress Award
First-class prize of Beijing Scientific and Technological Progress Award |



Dr. Tatsuya Kakegawa

Clinical research doctor Gastroenterology & Hepatology Tokyo Medical University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Gastroenterology, Hepatology

Educational and Career Experiences 2013 M.D. Tokyo Medical University School of Medicine
2013-2015: Resident, Todachuo General Hospital
2015-2020: Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University Hospital
2021-2022 : Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
2023-Present : Clinical research doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University Hospital

Honors and Awards Membership
Japan Society of Hepatology
Japan Society of Internal Medicine
Japan Society of Gastroenterology
Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Japan Society of Clinical Oncology



Dr. Satoru Kakizaki

Director, Department of Clinical Research, National Hospital Organization Takasaki General Medical Center

Visiting Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

NASH/NAFLD
Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Nuclear Receptor
Drug metabolizing enzymes

Educational and Career Experiences

1990, M.D., Gunma University School of Medicine
1999, Ph.D., Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine
2000-2002, Visiting Fellow, Pharmacogenetics Section, National Institute of Environmental Health and Sciences, NIH, USA
2002-2014, Assistant Professor, Gunma University School of Medicine
2014-2015, Lecturer, Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine
2015-2020, Associate Professor, Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine
2020-Present, Director, National Hospital Organization Takasaki General Medical Center
Visiting Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine

Honors and Awards

2000, Postdoctoral Visiting Fellow Award of NIH visiting Program
2001, JSPS Research Fellowship Award for Japanese Biomedical and Behavioral Researchers at NIH
2005, Ajinomoto Award of Japan Society of Hepatology

Certified Doctor and Councilor
The Japan Society of Hepatology, The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, and the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society.2009 JSGE



Dr. Hiroteru Kamimura

Niigata University Medical and Dental Hospital Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Lecturer
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular Carcinoma
 Liver Cirrhosis
 Sarcopenia

Educational and March 2003 Graduated from Niigata University School of Medicine, Department
Career Experiences of Medicine
 April 2008 - September 2011 Molecular Cellular Medicine, Niigata University
 Graduate School of Medicine and Dentistry PhD programme



Dr. Tatsuo Kanda

Professor, Associate Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Department of Medicine Nihon University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatitis A and E viruses, Acute liver failure, Drug-induced liver injury, Immune-mediated adverse events, etc.
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2020.04 - Current: Present Chief of AMED HAV and HEV Study Group</p> <p>2017.08 - Current: Professor, Associate, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine, Nihon University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>2008.12-2017.07: Professor, Associate, Dept. Medicine and Clinical Oncology, Chiba University, Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba, Japan</p> <p>2005-2008: Faculty, Department of Pathology (Profs. Ray's Lab), Saint Louis University, MO, USA</p> <p>1999: Ph.D. (Dr. of Medical Science), Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University, Japan</p> <p>1991: M.D., cum laud, Niigata University School of Medicine, Japan</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2006: American Society for Virology 2006 Postdoctoral Fellow Travel Award</p> <p>2004: 14th Conference of Asian Pacific Association for the Study of Liver, Young Investigator Award, etc.</p>



Dr. Shuichi Kaneko

Specially Invited Professor, Department of Information-Based Medicine Development, Kanazawa University

Director of Collaborating Center for Chronic Hepatitis and Liver Cancer, WHO Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Chronic Hepatitis
Educational and Career Experiences	1982 Graduate from Kanazawa University (MD) 1986 Graduate from Graduate School, Kanazawa University (PhD in Medicine) 1987-1989 Visiting Fellow: NIH, USA 1993-1995 Visiting Professor: USC, USA 2004-2022 Professor, Dept of Gastroenterology, Kanazawa University 2007-present Visiting Professor: Sichuan University, China
Honors and Awards	2004 Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Service Award from Minister Award of Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology(J-MEXT) 2004 Oda Prize (Japanese Society of Hepatology) 2014 Science and Technology Award from J-MEXT 2015 The “Khubilai Khan” Gold Medal of the Mongolian Academy of Sciences 2015 Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Service Award Minister Award of Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry 2021 Academic Award (Japanese Society of Gastroenterology)



Dr. Shun Kaneko

Assistant Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Tokyo Medical and Dental University (TMDU)
Japan

Areas of interest

Liver cancer, viral hepatitis, regeneration

Educational and Career Experiences

2008 Graduated from School of Medicine University of Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan
 2017 Graduated from Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Tokyo, Japan
 -2018 Medical Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical and Dental University Hospital
 2018-2022 Medical Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
 2022- present Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical and Dental University Hospital

Honors and Awards

2016 European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL) Young Investigator Bursaries
 2017 The Japan Society of Hepatology Award
 2019 Top downloaded paper 2018-2019 Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
 2023 Japan Digestive Disease Week (JDDW) The Best Presenter Award in International Session



Dr. Yoshihide Kanno

Director, Department of Gastroenterology, Sendai City Medical Center
Japan

Areas of interest Pancreatobiliary diseases
 Endoscopic treatments

Educational and Medical doctor, Tohoku University, 2005
Career Experiences Sendai City Medical Center, 2005-present

Honors and Awards Travel Award, UEGW2009
 Best Reviewer Award 2019, Digestive Endoscopy
 Best Case Report Award of CJG (Clinical Journal of Gastroenterology) (2021)
 Best Reviewer Award 2021, Digestive Endoscopy Open



Dr. Tatsuya Kanto

Director of the Research Center and Director of the Hepatitis Information Center, The Research Center for Hepatitis and Immunology, National Center for Global Health and Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Viral Hepatitis, Liver fibrosis, Liver cancer, Immunology

Educational and Career Experiences

Graduated from Osaka University School of Medicine : 1986. Intensive Care Department Training, Osaka University Hospital : 1987. Worked at the Department of Internal Medicine, Osaka Police Hospital : 1988

Worked at the Department of Internal Medicine at Sakai Hospital , and was a research student in the First Department of Internal Medicine, Osaka University : 1990. Medical Staff, Osaka University Hospital : 1995

University of Pittsburgh, Department of Surgery : 1998

Department of Molecular Regulation Therapeutics, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University : 2001

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), Board of Directors Board Member

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), Ideal Way Review Committee Member

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), Finance Committee Member

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), Ethics Committee Member

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), Academic Meeting Deliberation Committee Member

Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH), International Committee Head of

Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (JSGE), Internationalization Promotion Office, International Committee Member

Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (JSGE), Internationalization Promotion Office, Conflicts of Interest Committee Member

Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (JSGE), Foundation Trustees Board Member

Clinical Journal of Gastroenterology Editor

Organization of Japan Digestive Disease Week (JDDW), Executive Directors

Board Member

Organization of Japan Digestive Disease Week (JDDW), Annual Conference Committee Head of

Organization of Japan Digestive Disease Week (JDDW), Committee for Women Physicians and Researchers of Gastroenterology in Japan Head of

Organization of Japan Digestive Disease Week (JDDW), Future Planning Committee Board Member

Japanese Society for Mucosal Immunology (JSMI), Board of Directors

Board Member

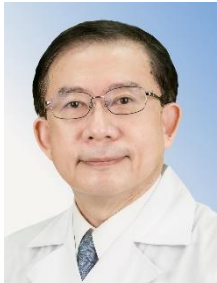
難治性の肝・胆道疾患に関する調査研究, 研究分担者・協力者名簿 Member

Honors and Awards

1993 Research Award in the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine

1994 Research Award in the Japan Society of Hepatology

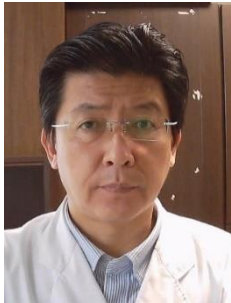
2005 Research Promoting Award in Virus Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan



Dr. Jia-Horng Kao

Chair Professor Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine, National Taiwan University College of Medicine Hepatitis Research Center, National Taiwan University Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Prevention, natural history, molecular virology, pathogenesis and treatment of chronic viral hepatitis and HCC.
Educational and Career Experiences	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graduated from the College of Medicine National Taiwan University in 1987 and received his Ph.D. from the Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine at the same university in 1994 2. President of Taiwan Association for the Study of the Liver (TASL) from 2017 to 2019 and the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver in 2012, Director of the Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine, National Taiwan University College of Medicine from 2009 to 2015, Director of the Hepatitis Research Center at the National Taiwan University Hospital from 2003 to 2009, Secretary General of the Taiwan Association for the Study of the Liver between 2004 and 2005, and Vice Secretary General of the Gastroenterological Society of Taiwan from 2003 to 2006. 3. Steering Council member of APASL, Council member of APAGE, the trustee of JGH foundation and the founding member of AASLD Asia Pacific Regional Advisory Council.
Honors and Awards	Outstanding Research Award from the National Science Council, Taiwan for 3 times (1997, 2000, 2003); Outstanding Research Award for Excellence in Medical Research, National Taiwan University Hospital (2005); Y. Z. Hsu Outstanding Professor Award (2009); Academic Award, Ministry of Education, Executive Yuan (2011); Distinguished Scientific Award, Executive Yuan (2011); Okuda Award, Asian-Pacific Digestive Week (2012); Outstanding Academic Research Award of Mr. Lee TD's Medical Foundation (2012); Outstanding Research Award of Distinguished Research Fellow, Ministry of Science and Technology (2014), National Chair Professorship, Ministry of Education (2015), AASLD Fellow (2015), NTU Chair Professorship (2016), Outstanding Research Team Award of the National Taiwan University Hospital (2017), Achievement Award of the Liver Disease Prevention and Treatment Research Foundation (2017), Outstanding Research Award of Wang Ming-Ning Foundation (2018), APASL Okuda-Omata Distinguished Achievement Award (2019), Outstanding Scholar Awards of Foundation for the Advancement of Outstanding Scholarship (2020) , TECO Award (2020), APASL Chainuvati Lecture (2021), and World's Top 2% Scientists for career-long and single year impact (2020) by Stanford University. In 2021, ExpertScape named him top 0.01% world expert in Hepatitis over the past 10 years.2009 JSGE



Dr. Kazuya Kariyama

Deputy Hospital Director Department of Gastroenterology, Okayama City Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Liver Cancer
Ablation
Liver Fibrosis

Educational and
Career Experiences

April 1991 Entered First Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama University School of Medicine
May 1991 Resident, First Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama University Hospital
Oct 1991 Physician, First Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama Saiseikai General Hospital
Oct 1996 Medical Assistant, First Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama University Hospital
Nov 2000 Deputy Chief of Gastroenterology, Kurashiki Central Hospital
May 2001 Medical Director, Internal Medicine, Okayama City Hospital
September 2007 Deputy Director, Liver Disease Center, Okayama City Hospital
April 2010 Chief, Division of Hepatology, Okayama City Hospital
April 2014 Chief of Internal Medicine and Director of Liver Disease Center, Okayama City Hospital
April 2020 Chief of General Medicine, Chief of Clinical Department, and Director of Management Promotion Office, Okayama City Municipal Hospital
Apr 2023 Vice President, Okayama City Hospital

Honors and Awards

December, 2012 Academic Encouragement Award, First Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama University



Dr. Norifumi Kawada

Dean Graduate School of Medicine Osaka Metropolitan University,
 Professor of Medicine Chairman, Department of Hepatology Graduate School of Medicine
 Osaka Metropolitan University
 Japan

Areas of interest	Pathogenesis of liver fibrosis, Stellate cell biology, Functional analysis of Cytoglobin, Cancer microenvironment
Educational and Career Experiences	1986 Graduate from Osaka City University Medical School 1986 M.D. 1986-1987 Intern, Osaka City University Hospital 1987-1991 Postgraduate School in Public Health, Osaka City University 1991 Ph.D. 1991-1992 Visiting Scientist, Institute of Biochemistry, Freiburg University (Germany) 1993-1994 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Osaka City University Hospital 2004 Visiting Scientist, Department of Hepatology, Florence University (Italy) 1994-2002 Research Associate, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka City University 2003-2004 Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka City University 2005-2006 Associate Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka City University 2007-present Full Professor, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka City University 2015-present Visiting Professor, Institute of Liver and Digestive Health, University College London (UCL, UK) 2019-present Honorary Professor, Hanoi Medical University (Vietnam)
Honors and Awards	Japanese Society of Hepatology Research Award (1994) Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation Grant (1998) Ono Medical Research Grant (2001) Karl von Kupffer Prize (2002) Bio-Business Award JAPAN Bio Advanced Knowledge Award (2012) Osaka City University Alumni Association Award (2012)



Dr. Masanori Kawaguchi

Director of Gastroenterology and Director of Regional Medical Liaison Office of Saiseikai Wakayama Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Liver disease, Gastrointestinal disease

Educational and
Career Experiences

Brief history

1969 Born in Hirokawa-cho, Arida-gun, Wakayama Prefecture
1994 Graduated from Kagawa Medical University
1994 Resident of 3rd department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University
1996 Department of Internal Medicine, Kishiwada Tokusyukai Hospital
1998 Department of Internal Medicine, Saiseikai Wakayama Hospital
2006 Director of Gastroenterology, Saiseikai Wakayama Hospital
2019 Belongs to 2nd department of Internal Medicine, Wakayama Medical University

Affiliated academic societies

Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine and Kinki branch councilor
Board Certified Hepatologist of the Japan Society of Hepatology
Board Certified Gastroenterologist of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
Board Certified Trainer of the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Physician of Japanese Society for Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism
Chairman of Japan society of Zinc Nutritional Therapy and Vice Chapter
Manager of Nara Wakayama branch
Steering Committee Member of Saiseikai Liver Study Group
The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine
Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver
Japan Liver Cancer Association

Honors and Awards

2020 Charman's Award of Outstanding performance, Wakayama Hospital Association
2021 Manager's Award of Wakayama Prefecture Branch, Social Welfare Organization Saiseikai Gift foundation



Dr. Miwa Kawanaka

Department of General Internal Medicine2, Kawasaki Medical School

Internal medicine/Associate Professor

Japan

Areas of interest	NASH, MASLD, MASLD, Viral Hepatitis
Educational and Career Experiences	1988-1994:Kawasaki Medical School 2001: PhD Kawasaki Medical School 1994-2010: Kawasaki Hospital, Kawasaki Medical School 2006-2008:Northeastern University 2011-2012:Asistant Professor, Department of Internal Medicine2, Kawasaki Medical School 2013-2023:Associate Professor, Department of Internal Medicine2, Kawasaki Medical School
Honors and Awards	2000 Kawasaki Medical Promotion Foundation Research Encouragement Award 2013 Kawasaki Medical Society Award 2013 AASLD (American Association for the Study of Hepatology) Presidential Achievement Award 2019 Okayama Prefectural Medical Association Female Doctor Boss Award



Dr. Kazuhito Kawata

Lecturer, Hepatology Division, Department of Internal Medicine II, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Autoimmune liver disease
Steatotic liver disease

Educational and Career Experiences

1993 – 1999; Hamamatsu University School of Medicine (M.D. degree) ^[L]_{SEP}]
 1999 – 2000; Department of Internal Medicine II, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine
 2000 – 2001; Fujinomiya City General Hospital
 2001 – 2005; Hamamatsu Medical Center
 2005 – 2009; Hamamatsu University Graduate School of Medicine (Ph.D. degree)
 2009 – 2010; Department of Internal Medicine II, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine
 2010 – 2013; Rheumatology, Allergy and Clinical Immunology, University of California, Davis (Postdoctoral Scholar Fellow)
 2013 – Present; Department of Internal Medicine II, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine

Honors and Awards

- The Incentive Award of Chairman at the 45th Annual Meeting of Japan Society of Hepatology 2009 ^[L]_{SEP}]
- The Academic Incentive Award of Hamamatsu university school of medicine class reunion 2010
- AASLD Presidential Poster of Distinction. The 64th Annual meeting of the American Association for Study of Liver Disease. 2013
- The Best Abstract Award of the symposium of the 10th Anniversary of the Global PBC Study Group. 2023



Dr. Patrick Kennedy

Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry

Japan

Areas of interest

Professor Kennedy is a Consultant Physician and Hepatologist with a special interest in the management of liver disease in young people. He works closely with premiership football clubs and manages liver disease in professional sports people and elite athletes from the UK and abroad. He is an expert advisor for the WHO and is part of the HBV clinical guideline development group, he is also a member of the European association for the study of the liver (EASL) HBV clinical practice guidelines and has served as a member for NICE on the viral hepatitis clinical guideline committee. He provides expert opinion for the United Kingdom Advisory Panel (UKAP) on blood-borne viruses and is the current chair of the British Viral Hepatitis Group and former Lead for the British Association for the Study of the Liver (BASL) HBV special interest group. He works closely with the industry and provides expert opinions on drug development programs.

Educational and Career Experiences

He is the Chief/Principal Investigator for a number of investigator-led and commercial phase 1, 2 and 3, clinical trials of novel therapies in viral liver disease. At present, he leads studies on the development of novel therapies in HBV and hepatitis delta virus (HDV). In addition, he is passionate about patient education and ensuring patients play a central role in their own management. Professor Kennedy has developed HBV&Me, a management app, and a current area of his research is expanding the utility of patient management tools to improve care.

Honors and Awards

Professor Kennedy is the current Chair of the British Viral Hepatitis Group (BVHG) and former lead for the British Association for the Study of the Liver (BASL) special interest group in HBV. He is a member of the WHO guideline development group and the EASL CHB clinical practice guidelines. He provides expert opinion for the United Kingdom Advisory Panel on blood-borne viruses, in addition he is a key opinion leader in viral liver disease and a member of expert advisory panels for early drug development.



Dr. Bo Hyun Kim

Associate professor Department of Radiology, Seoul St. Mary's Hospital
College of Medicine, The Catholic University of Korea
Korea

Areas of interest	Liver cancer; Liver imaging; Oncologic body imaging
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mar 2004 – Feb 2008 M.D. Chonbuk National University, School of Medicine• Mar 2012 – Feb 2014 Master Ulsan University, College of Medicine• Mar 2014 – Feb 2016 Ph.D. Ulsan University, College of Medicine <p>Academic appointments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mar 2015 – Aug 2016, Clinical assistant professor, Ajou University Hospital• Sep 2016 – Feb 2020, Assistant professor, Ajou University School of Medicine• Mar 2020 – Feb 2021, Clinical assistant professor, Seoul St. Mary's Hospital• Mar 2021 – Feb 2023, Assistant professor, Catholic University College of Medicine• Mar 2023 – present, Associate professor, Catholic University College of Medicine
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2022 Distinguished Reviewer for Korean Journal of Radiology• 2022 RSNA Education Exhibit Certificate of merit



Dr. Dong Joon Kim

Professor Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Department of Internal Medicine Hallym University College of Medicine

Korea

Areas of interest	Alcoholic Liver Disease, Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease, Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure, Intestinal Microbiota, Liver Cirrhosis, Drug-Induced Liver Injury
Educational and Career Experiences	(1977-1983) Hanyang University, College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea (MD, Medicine) (1992-1995) Hanyang University, Graduate School, Seoul, Korea (PhD, Preventive Medicine) (2010-2012) Director, Hallym University Chuncheon Sacred Heart Hospital (2019-present) Associate Editor, Hepatology International, the official journal of the APASL (2020-2021) Chairman, The Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (KASL) (2022-present) Dean, Hallym University College of Medicine, Chuncheon, Republic of KOREA
Honors and Awards	(2023) Order of Service Merit (Jade Stripes), Republic of Korea



Dr. Dong-Sik Kim

Professor of Surgery & Biomedical Science Division of HBP Surgery & Liver Transplantation
Korea University College of Medicine
Japan

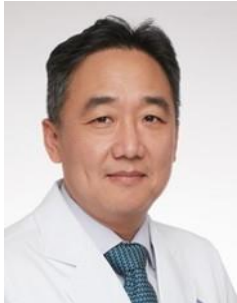
Areas of interest	Small-for-size syndrome, Ischemia-reperfusion injury, Liver cancer, Immunosuppressives, Translational research
Educational and Career Experiences	Dong-Sik Kim, M.D., Ph.D. graduated from Korea University College of Medicine and had residency training at Korea University Medical Center. He finished fellowship training at the Asan Medical Center (HBP surgery and liver transplantation) and the University of Cincinnati (Abdominal Transplantation) and started an academic appointment as an assistant professor at the University of Cincinnati. Currently, he is working at Korea University Medical Center, Anam hospital as a professor and chairman of department of surgery and the director of the Organ Transplantation Center.
Honors and Awards	Currently serving as the chairman of the scientific committee(Liver) and board member of the Korea society of transplantation, the Korea liver transplantation society and the Korean association of liver surgery



Dr. Hong Soo Kim

Professor Hepatology Soon Chun Hyang University Hospital
Korea

Areas of interest	Surveillance of HCC Local ablation therapy of HCC National Health Insurance policy in Korea
Educational and Career Experiences	1999.11 - 1999.12 Visiting professor studied local ablation treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma at the department Gastroenterology, University of Tokyo, Japan. 2003.10 -2005.8 Visiting professor Studied functional study of cholangiocyte at the department Gastroenterology, University of Indiana, USA
Honors and Awards	2021~2022 Vice president / The Korean Liver Cancer association 2014~2016 President / The Korean Association of Clinical Ultrasonogram



Dr. Seung Up Kim

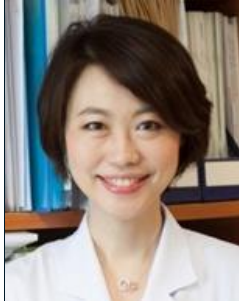
Professor Internal Medicine Yonsei University College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest

Noninvasive assessment of liver fibrosis and steatosis
Hepatic fibrogenesis
Molecular biology of hepatitis B virus
Immunogenetics of hepatitis virus infection
Clinical trials of various liver diseases (especially viral hepatitis, hepatocellular carcinoma, and fibrosis)
Diagnosis and treatment for viral hepatitis and liver cancer

Educational and Career Experiences

1993-1999: Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
2005-2007: Master Degree, Graduate School, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea
2008-2014: Ph.D, Graduate School, Yonsei University College of Medicine
2013~: Assistant professor Severance Hospital, Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
2016~: Associate professor Severance Hospital, Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
2015-2017: Postdoc Researcher Department of Medicine, Columbia University, New York, US
2020~: current Professor Severance Hospital, Department of Internal Medicine, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
2008~: Member of Korean Association of the Study of Liver, Current
2012~2013: Member of Promotion Committee
2014~2015: Member of Academic Affairs Committee
2018~2019: Member of Publishing Committee
2020~: Chief of Publishing Committee
2020~2023 : Editor-in-Chief, Clinical Molecular and Hepatology
2022~: Member of Editorial Board, Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Current
2020~: Associate Editor, Gut and Liver. Current
2017~: Member of Editorial Board, Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Current
2022~: Editor, Journal of Translational Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Current
2022~: Editor, International Journal of Molecular Science, Current



Dr. So Yeon Kim

Professor, Department of radiology, Division of Abdominal Imaging,
University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Asan Medical Center
Korea

Areas of interest

My career has been marked by a strong focus on liver imaging, utilizing advanced modalities. Over the years, I have cultivated a wealth of experience in abdominal imaging, with a particular emphasis on liver imaging, utilizing a diverse array of advanced imaging modalities. I have been actively involved in HCC surveillance studies including the PRIUS study which is a landmark trial to adopt an alternative surveillance tool other than ultrasound, recognizing the critical importance of early detection. My passion for advancing patient care and treatment options led me to actively engage in image-guided tumor ablation for hepatic tumors, a field that I have been deeply involved in for the past decade.

Educational and Career Experiences

Graduating from University of Ulsan College of Medicine in 1999, I went on to complete a residency at Asan Medical Center, followed by a fellowship in Abdominal Imaging at the same hospital. From 2008 to 2011, I worked as a clinical instructor and an assistant professor at Seoul National University Bundang Hospital before. Since 2011, I have been working as a faculty member of the Department of Radiology at University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Asan Medical Center.



Dr. Soo Ki Kim

Director Kobe Asahi Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepatology
Gastroenterology
General Internal Medicine
Hospital Management

Educational and
Career Experiences

2004	M.D. degree at Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan
2004-2005	Resident of Kyoto University Hospital
2005-2011	Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Otsu and Osaka Red Cross Hospital
2011-2015	Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Graduate school of medicine, Kyoto University
2015	Ph.D. degree at Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan
2015-2016	Department of Pathology and Tumor Biology, Graduate school of medicine, Kyoto University
2016-2019	Vice Director, Kobe Asahi Hospital
2019	Director, Kobe Asahi Hospital



Dr. Nana Kimura

Department of Surgery and Science Faculty of Medicine, Academic Assembly University of Toyama
Japan

Areas of interest

1. Gastroenterological surgery
2. Pancreatic cancer
3. HBP surgery
4. Clinical research of pancreatic surgery
5. Multidisciplinary treatment for pancreatic cancer

Educational and Career Experiences

Graduation from University of Toyama, School of Medicine, Toyama, Japan
Degree: M.D. 2019
2019-2020
Postgraduate training, University of Toyama Hospital
2021
Staff member, Department of Surgery, Jichi Medical University Saitama Medical
Center
2022-
Staff member, Department of Surgery and Science Faculty of Medicine,
Academic Assembly, University of Toyama
2023-
Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of
Toyama

Honors and Awards

2019, May
Outstanding award (The 31st Meeting of Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-
Pancreatic Surgery)
2019, September
Travel grant (The 7th Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association)
2020, June
Best Science Award (The 8th Japan Surgical Association, Toyama Branch)
2023, September
Young Investigator award (34th World Congress of the International Association
of Surgeons, Gastroenterologists and Oncologists)



Dr. Shigehisa Kitano

Director, Department of Advanced Medical Development, The Cancer Institute Hospital of JFCR
Japan

Areas of interest

Medical Oncology
Early Clinical Development, Phase 1 study
Translational Research
Tumor immunology
Cancer Immunotherapy

Educational and
Career Experiences

2005- Assistant professor, Department of Immuno-Geno Therapy, Mie University Graduate School of Medicine, Mie, Japan
2008- Assistant professor, Department of Hematology and Oncology, Mie University Hospital, Mie, Japan
2009- Visiting Investigator, Ludwig Center for Cancer Immunotherapy, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY, USA
2013- Staff Physician, Department of Experimental Therapeutics, National Cancer Center Hospital, Tokyo, Japan
2019- Current position

Honors and Awards

2005 AACR Scholar in Training Award



Dr. Hideki Kobara

Lecturer Department of Gastroenterology and Neurology, Faculty of Medicine, Kagawa University
Japan

Areas of interest

- Endoscopic advanced therapy
- Endoscopic defect closure
- Novel products developed through collaboration between medical and engineering professionals.

Educational and Career Experiences

- Alumni Association of Faculty of Medicine, Kagawa University, Sanjyukai research grants; Grant Number 27-1, 2015
- MEXT, Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C) (KAKENHI): 2015 • 2018 • 2022
- Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development : AMED (Total: 8) Seeds A: 7 projects (1 representative, 6 projects) Research Project for Practical Application of Innovative Cancer Therapy: 1 representative

Honors and Awards

- United European Gastroenterology Week (UEGW) 2013 Top5 abstract prize
- Digestive Endoscopy: Best Reviewers Award 2021 • 2022 • 2023/2009 Liver Forum in Kyoto

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Hideki Kobara was born in February, 1973 in Tokushima, Japan. He graduated Kagawa University School of Medicine in 1997. He achieved the PhD Degree with a novel study related to abnormal bile flow in patients with achalasia at 2009. His previous main theme of research was endoscopic submucosal tunneling biopsy for GI subepithelial lesions sampling and translational research for identifying a new diagnostic biomarker of gastrointestinal stromal tumor. This research was awarded as Top 5 abstract prize at UEGW2013. His current topic is advanced endoscopic interventions, endoscopic defect closure, and novel products developed through collaboration between medical and engineering professionals.



Dr. Takahiro Kodama

Assistant Professor Dept. Gastroenterology and Hepatology Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	HCC Immunotherapy Pharmacotherapy ICC
Educational and Career Experiences	2002 M.D. degree from Osaka University 2011 Ph.D. degree from Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine. 2011-2012 Postdoctoral Fellow at Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology in Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine 2012-2016 Postdoctoral Associate of Cancer Biology Program at The Methodist Hospital Research Institute 2016- current position
Honors and Awards	2022 12th Okita award in the Japan Association of Molecular Targeted Therapy for HCC 2019 Early Career Investigator Award in Basic Science in The Liver Meeting (AASLD) 2016 Young Investigator's Award of Excellence in JSH Single Topic Conference 2016 AACR Scholar-in-Training Award in 10th AACR-JCA joint conference 2012 Taisho Toyama Award in West Liver Forum 2011 CHUGAI Award in The Japanese Society of Hepatology (JSH)



Dr. Hirofumi Kogure

Professor & Chairman Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine,
Nihon University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatobiliary pancreatic diseases
Educational and Career Experiences	2001 M.D. The University of Tokyo, Faculty of Medicine 2009 Ph.D. Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo 2001-2002 Internal medicine, The University of Tokyo Hospital 2002-2003 Internal medicine, JR Tokyo General Hospital 2003-2005 Gastroenterology, Japanese Red Cross Medical Center 2005-2007 Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital 2007-2008 Gastroenterology, Kanto Central Hospital 2008-2012 Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital 2012-2013 Assistant Professor, Endoscopy and Endoscopic Surgery, The University of Tokyo Hospital 2013-2022 Assistant Professor, Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital 2022-present Professor & Chairman, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine, Nihon University School of Medicine



Dr. Norihiro Kokudo

President of National Center for Global Health and Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular Carcinoma
 Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma
 Liver Surgery, Liver Transplantation
 Portal Hypertension

Educational and Career Experiences Dr. Kokudo earned his M.D. in 1981, and then Ph.D. in 1988 at University of Tokyo. From 1989 to 1991 he stayed at Department of Surgery, University of Michigan as a visiting research investigator. After 6 years at Cancer Institute Hospital, Tokyo, as a senior staff of GI surgery, he joined the Department of HPB Surgery in The University of Tokyo and became a professor and chairman in 2007 (until March 2017). Dr. Kokudo has been conducting a number of research projects on surgical treatment of HCC, colorectal liver metastases, and living donor liver transplantation. As a chairman of the guideline committee, he compiled 3rd and 4th version of Japanese clinical practice guidelines for HCC in 2013 and 2017. Dr. Kokudo is currently a president of Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert Association (APPLE) and a past president of Japan Surgical Society, International Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association (IHPBA), Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association (A-PHPBA), and Japan Liver Cancer Association (JLCA). He is also a fellow of American College of Surgeons (Governor) and Royal College of Surgeons of England. He is a Co-editor-in-Chief for Global Health and Medicine, and an associate editor for Liver Cancer. He is on the editorial board of Annals of Surgery, Surgery (-2019), Journal of American College of Surgeons, World Journal of Surgery (-2021), and Journal of HPB Science

Honors and Awards Lorenzo Capussotti Award (IASGO): 2015
 2nd Grade Service Medal from Vietnam: 2018
 Honorary Medal from Ministry of Health, Mongolia: 2019
 A-PHPBA Distinguished Service Award, 2019



Dr. Atsumasa Komori

Director and Division Chief, Department of Treatment for Intractable Disease, Division of International Medical Cooperation, Clinical Research Center, and Senior Staff, Department of Hepatology, National Hospital Organization NHO Nagasaki Medical Center
Japan

Areas of interest	Autoimmune liver disease; Cholestatic liver disease; Steatotic liver disease; Viral hepatitis; Hepatocarcinogenesis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1989.3 Degree of Medicine, Kyushu University, School of Medicine, Japan</p> <p>1989.6-1990.5: Junior Resident, Internal Medicine, Kyushu University Hospital, Japan</p> <p>1990.6-1991.5: Junior Resident, Internal Medicine, Kyushu Koseinennkin Hospital, Japan</p> <p>1991.6-1993.9: Research Fellow, Cancer Preventive Division, National Cancer Center Research Institute, Japan</p> <p>1993.10-1997.5: Research Fellow Saitama Cancer Center Research Institute, Japan</p> <p>1997.6-1998.5: Clinical Fellow, 1st Department of Internal Medicine, Kyushu University Hospital, Japan</p> <p>1998.6-2000.2: Clinical Fellow, 3rd Department of Internal Medicine Oita Red Cross Hospital, Japan</p> <p>2000.3-2002.11: Post Doctoral Research Associate, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Weill Medical College of Cornell University, U.S.A.</p> <p>2003.1-2014.3: Division Chief, Division of Bioregulation, Clinical Research Center, National Hospital Organization Nagasaki Medical Center, Japan</p> <p>2014.4- Current position</p> <p>2015-, Honorary professor of Kazakhstan National Medical University</p>
Honors and Awards	2015-, Honorary professor of Kazakhstan National Medical University



Dr. Kazuyoshi Kon

Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University School of Medicine
Japan

Educational Background:

1996 M.D., Juntendo University School of Medicine
2000-2004 Ph.D. course of Medicine, Juntendo University Graduate School of Medicine

Professional Experience:

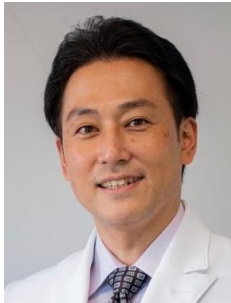
1996-1999 Resident, Department of Internal Medicine, Juntendo University Hospital
1999-2002 Medical staff in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University School of Medicine
2002-2004 Research Scholar in University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA.
2004-2011 Assistant professor in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University School of Medicine
2011-present Associate professor in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University School of Medicine

Board Certification:

Fellow of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (FAASLD)
Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine (FJSIM)
Board Certified Member of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
Board Certified Fellow, Gastroenterologist, and Instructor of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
Board Certified Hepatologist, and Instructor of the Japan Society of Hepatology
Board Certified Gastroenterologist of the J. Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Board Certified Fellow of Japanese Society of Anti-Aging Medicine

Professional Societies:

American Association for the Study of Liver Disease (AASLD)
American College of Physicians (ACP)
Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, councilor
Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Japan Society of Hepatology, councilor
Japanese Medical Society of Alcohol and Addiction Studies, director
Japanese Society of Anti-Aging Medicine, councilor



Dr. Yasuteru Kondo

Vice President of Hospital Hepatology Sendai Tokushukai Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Viral Hepatitis
Liver Immunology

Educational and Career Experiences

1994/3-2000/3 The School of medicine, Tohoku University
2000/4-2002/3 Internal medicine, Furukawa City Hospital
2005/4-2007/3 Molecular biology and immunology, USC
2007/4-2007/6 Department of Gastroenterology, Iwai Hospital
2007/7-2015/12 Department of Gastroenterology, Tohoku University
2016/ 1 -2023/5 Chief Director, Department of Hepatology, Sendai Kousei Hospital
2023/6-Present Vice President of Hospital, Department of Hepatology, Sendai Tokushukai Hospital

Honors and Awards

1. 2005 Uehara Research Fellow, Uehara Memorial Foundation
2. 2009 APASL 2009 Young Investigator Award
3. 2010 The Japan society of Hepatology, Bristol Myers Award
4. 2012 The Japan society of Hepatology, Research Award
5. 2012 10thSTC-JSH 2012 Young-Investigator Award
6. 2012 Research Award A, Tohoku Medical Society
7. 2013 Uehara Research Award, Uehara Memorial Foundation
8. 2015 Good doctor of clinical trial, Tohoku University
9. 2016 APASL2016 Young Investigator Award



Dr. Pradermchai Kongkam

Assistant Director of the King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital

Director of Excellence Center for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital

Thailand

Areas of interest

Endoscopic Ultrasound

ERCP

Speedboat Submucosal Dissection

Educational and Career Experiences

Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatography (ERCP) Clinical Fellowship at Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Indiana University, Indiana, USA

Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) Clinical Fellowship at Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Indiana University, Indiana, USA

Clinical Gastroenterology Fellowship at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand

Honors and Awards

2016: Outstanding Young Physician Award from The Royal College of Physicians of Thailand (RCPT)

2022, Research Award from The Royal College of Physicians of Thailand (RCPT)



Dr. Aleksander Krag

Secretary General, European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL)
Professor and Department Chair, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Director Centre for Liver Research (FLASH) Odense University Hospital
DIAS Chair of Health Sciences, University of Southern Denmark
Denmark

Areas of interest

Aleksander Krag is involved in and hold leader positions in a number of large research collaborations in liver diseases, including being director of FLASH: Fibrosis Fatty Liver and Steatohepatitis Research Centre Odense, PI in MicroLiver, Coordinator in the H2020 project GALAXY: Gut and Liver Axis in Alcoholic Liver Fibrosis and partner and PI in the H2020 projects MicrobPredict, LiverScreen, The International Human Microbiome Action and LiverAIM and PI in the Center of Excellence Center for Functional Genomics and Tissue Plasticity.

My passion is research with focus on clinical aspects of steatotic liver diseases (alcohol and non-alcohol related), liver fibrosis, complications to cirrhosis and microbiome. Output comprise >250 papers in that space. I'm particularly interested in biomarker research throughout the full value chain from discovery to implementation and how omics and AI can be used in next generation biomarkers.

Educational and Career Experiences

MD, PhD, MBA



Dr. Masatoshi Kudo

Professor and Chairman Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular Carcinoma, Imaging, Ablation, TACE, Systemic therapy
Educational and Career Experiences	1978 Graduated from Kyoto University 1978 Kyoto University Hospital 1979 Kobe City General Hospital 1987 University of California, Davis Medical Center 1997 Kindai University Faculty of Medicine, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Honors and Awards	2011 Japan Society Hepatology (JSH) official journal Highest Citation Award 2018 Japan Society Hepatology Distinguished Scholar Award (Oda Award) 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 Highly Cited Researchers 2019-2023 Award in Clinical Medicine field presented by Clarivate Analytics 2022 Distinguished Research Achievement Award (Japanese Society of Gastroenterology) 2023 Japan Society Hepatology “Hepatology Research Citation Award”



Dr. Ashish Kumar

Professor and Senior Consultant Department of Gastroenterology Sir Ganga Ram Hospital
India

Areas of interest

Areas of Research Interests

1. Hepatocellular carcinoma
2. Portal hypertension
3. Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease
4. Nutrition
5. Obesity
6. Alcoholic liver disease
7. Stem cells for liver disease
8. Acute-on-chronic liver failure
9. Hepatitis B

Educational and Career Experiences

Dr. Ashish Kumar is an esteemed Professor and Senior Consultant of Gastroenterology at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital in New Delhi, India, with a distinguished career marked by comprehensive training and exceptional contributions to the field. His gastroenterology training was completed at the Sanjay Gandhi Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences in 2004, after which he was mentored by the renowned Dr. Shiv Kumar Sarin for five years at G. B. Pant Hospital and the Institute of Liver & Biliary Sciences (ILBS). Dr. Kumar is a recipient of prestigious international fellowships including those from the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh (FRCP Edin) and the American College of Physicians, Philadelphia (FACP), and has also held visiting fellowships at the National Cancer Center in Japan and the University of California, San Francisco, USA.

In addition to his clinical work, Dr. Kumar is the Associate Editor of the Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hepatology and has authored over 210 scientific papers, predominantly published in internationally acclaimed journals such as Gastroenterology, Annals of Internal Medicine, and Gut. He has been recognized globally for his scholarly achievements, being named among the top 2% of scientists in the world by Elsevier and Stanford University consecutively in 2021, 2022, and 2023.

Dr. Kumar holds esteemed positions in various professional bodies, including the Advisory Council of the American College of Physicians (ACP) India Chapter, and is an active member of the Baveno Cooperation on Portal Hypertension. His leadership roles extend to being a Governing Council Member of the Indian National Association for the Study of the Liver (INASL) and a member of several taskforces of INASL and the Asia-Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (APASL). He is notably the lead author of the Indian Guidelines on Treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma under the aegis of INASL and has been instrumental in publishing various Treatment Guidelines under INASL, APASL, and ISG. His research, especially the paper on HVP-G-Fibrosan correlation and his work on GI manifestations of Covid, has received critical acclaim and awards, including the Best Paper Award by GRIPMER and the Best Original Article Award by the Indian Journal of Gastroenterology. The ACP has honored him with the ACP India Chapter Clinical Practice Award for 2021 and the Scientist of the Year Award for 2022. Additionally, he received the India International Healthcare Award for being The Most Promising Gastroenterologist of the Year-2018 in Delhi. His research interests are primarily focused on hepatocellular carcinoma, steatotic liver disease, portal hypertension, acute-on-chronic liver failure, and stem cell therapies for liver diseases.



Honors and Awards

1. Figured in the Top 2% of Scientists of the World in the list compiled by Elsevier and Stanford University for 3 consecutive years (2021, 2022 and 2023). Also figured among the top 25 Gastroenterologists from India.
2. Won Prize at the Plenary Session of the 31st Annual Scientific Meeting of Indian National Association for the Study of Liver (INASL) 2023 at Bhubaneswar on 05-Aug-2023 for the paper entitled "Predictive Scores for Mortality in MAFLD-Related Acute-on-Chronic Liver Failure (MAFLD-ACLF): Development and Validation of MAFLD-MELD-Na and MAFLD-AARC Scores".
3. Best Original Article of the Year Award for 2022 by the Indian Journal of Gastroenterology.
4. Scientist of the Year Award for the Year 2022 awarded by the American College of Physicians (ACP) India Chapter.
5. ACP India Chapter Clinical Practice Award for the year 2021 towards outstanding contribution in the field of Gastromedicine and setting new standards in clinical practice.
6. India International Healthcare Award for being The Most Promising Gastroenterologist of the Year 2018 (Delhi) by the APS Research and Media.
7. GRIPMER Best Research Paper Award 2017 from Sir Ganga Ram Hospital for paper entitled "Correlation of transient elastography with hepatic venous pressure gradient in patients with cirrhotic portal hypertension: A study of 326 patients from India" published in the journal World Journal of Gastroenterology.
8. Won the Young Investigator Award at the APASL 2008, Seoul, Korea, for the paper entitled "Decompensation by variceal bleed and ascites has similar portal hemodynamics in cirrhosis."
9. Paper Selected for Plenary Presentation at the APDW 2008, New Delhi, India entitled "Endoscopic variceal ligation plus propranolol and isosorbide mononitrate versus endoscopic variceal ligation alone for secondary prophylaxis of variceal bleeding: a large prospective randomized controlled trial"
10. Won the Best Paper Award at the plenary session of ISG-INASL 2006, Mumbai, India, for the paper entitled "Endoscopic variceal ligation (EVL) plus propranolol (P) and isosorbide mononitrate (ISMN) versus endoscopic variceal ligation alone in secondary prophylaxis of variceal bleeding: A prospective randomized controlled trial."
11. Hepatology 360 Award Finalist at the Hepatology Live 2012 Conference held on 11th to 13th May 2012 at Vienna, Austria for the research work entitled "Adrenal insufficiency predicts early mortality in patients with cirrhosis".



Dr. Rahul Kumar

Consultant and Director Hepatology Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Changi General Hospital
Singapore

Areas of interest	Portal Hypertension, Cirrhosis, Viral Hepatitis, Steatotic Liver Disease, Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	FRCP UK Royal College of Physician Edinburgh, 2020 SAB Singapore (Gastroenterology Singapore, 2016 MRCPUK Royal College of Physician Edinburgh, 2012 MD, India, University College of Medical Sciences, 2008 MBBS, India, Maulana Azad Medical College, 2004 Changi General Hospital: Consultant 2019-Continued Fellow LFG, UCL, London: May 2019 to March 2020
Honors and Awards	APASL/JGH foundation young investigator award 2017 SingHealth Publish Award 2021



Dr. Hidekatsu Kuroda

Special Professor, Department of Gastroenterology,
Division of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine
Japan

Brief Biography:

Graduated from Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in March 1997 and joined the Department of Internal Medicine, Division 1.

Completed the doctoral program at the Graduate School of Iwate Medical University in March 2001.

Became a research fellow at the Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo in April 2001.

Appointed Assistant Professor in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in April 2003.

Served as a Research Fellow at Imperial College London, Department of Medicine, Hepatology from September 2013.

Promoted to Lecturer in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in September 2014.

Became Associate Professor in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in May 2018.

Appointed Vice Center Director of the Physiological Function and Ultrasound Examination Center at Iwate Medical University Hospital in February 2021.

Promoted to Special Associate Professor in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in April 2022.

Promoted to Special Professor in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in January 2023.

Membership and Affiliations:

Member of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine (Certified Physician), the Japanese Society of Hepatology (Instructor, Career Support & Diversity Promotion Committee Member, Eastern Region Councilor), the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society (Specialist, Tohoku Branch Councilor), the Japan Society of Endoscopy (Specialist), the Japan Liver Cancer Study Group (Member), the Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine (Instructor, Delegate, Secretary, Specialist System Committee Member, Editorial Committee Member, Education Committee Member, Tohoku Branch Management Committee Member, Tohoku Branch Encouragement Award Selection Committee Member), the Japan Ablation Research Association (Secretary), Cancers (Topic Editor), and the Iwate Hepatitis Control Council.



Awards:

- Travel Grant Award from the United European Gastroenterology Week in 2010 and 2011.
- 24th The Best Image Ultrasound Abdominal Division Excellent Award in 2016.
- 25th The Best Image Ultrasound Abdominal Division Excellent Award in 2018.
- Keiryō-kai Academic Award in 2021.
- Best Teacher Award, Iwate Medical University School of Medicine, Academic Year 2020 and 2021.
- Japan Society of Hepatology Crown Award - 1st AbbVie Elimination Award in 2021.

Primary Research Fields:

Hepatology, Diagnosis and Treatment of Liver Tumors, Ultrasonography

Books:

- Takikawa Y, Kuroda H, Sawara K. The Brain and Liver. The Liver in Systemic Disease. Springer; 2016;51-75.
- Three other publications.

Review Articles: Kuroda H, Takikawa Y, Suzuki K. Non-invasive markers of liver fibrosis. European Gastroenterology & Hepatology Review; 2011;7(4):264-7.

Additionally, 21 other articles.

Original Articles:

Kuroda H, Abe T, Fujiwara Y, Nagasawa T, Suzuki Y, Kakisaka K, Takikawa Y. Contrast-enhanced ultrasonography based hepatic perfusion for early prediction of prognosis in acute liver failure. Hepatology. 2021;73(6):2455-67.

Kuroda H, Oikawa T, Ninomiya M, Fujita M, Abe K, Okumoto K, Katsumi T, Sato W, Igarashi G, Iino C, Endo T, Tanabe N, Numao H, Fukuda S, Iijima K, Masamune A, Ohira H, Ueno Y, Takikawa Y. Objective response by mRECIST to initial lenvatinib therapy is an independent factor contributing to deep response in hepatocellular carcinoma treated with lenvatinib-transcatheter arterial chemoembolization sequential therapy. Liver Cancer. 2022;15;11(4):383-96.

Additionally, 61 other English articles and 50 Japanese articles.

Grants and Research Funding Status:

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C), Collaborator, Period: 2013-2016, Research Topic: Basic and clinical research on the effects of L-carnitine on minimal hepatic encephalopathy.

JSPS Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C), Principal Investigator, Period: 2016-2019, Research Topic: Development of non-invasive diagnostic method for NASH using texture analysis of ultrasound images and elastography.

JSPS Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C), Principal Investigator, Period: 2019-2021, Research Topic: Establishment of non-invasive diagnostic method for NASH using ultrasound attenuation imaging and elastography.

JSPS Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C), Co-Investigator, Period: 2020-2023, Research Topic: Relationship between new biological indicators of Fontan-related liver disease and Fontan circulation characteristics.

Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED), Co-Investigator, Period: 2019-2022, Research and development on outcomes of liver cirrhosis patients treated with C hepatitis virus eradication therapy.

AMED, Co-Investigator, Period: 2022-2025, Study to elucidate the impact of interferon-free therapy on outcomes, including prognosis of patients with C hepatitis-related liver cirrhosis.

Additionally, received funding from 6 other grants, 7 scholarship donations, and 3 joint research expenses.



Dr. Masayuki Kurosaki

Executive Vice-President of Musashino Red Cross Hospital,
 Director of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
 Affiliate Professor of Tokyo Medical and Dental University,
 Affiliate Professor of Yamanashi University
 Japan

Areas of interest Prevention and treatment of viral hepatitis, Management of cirrhosis, Diagnosis and treatment of HCC

Educational and Career Experiences **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:**
 1987 M.D. in Medicine, 1995 Ph.D. in Medicine, Tokyo Medical and Dental University

CAREER EXPERIENCES:

- 2020-present : Editor in Chief, Hepatology Research
- 2020-present : Executive Vice-President, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
- 2014-present : Affiliate professor, Tokyo Medical and Dental University
- 2011-present: Affiliate Professor, Yamanashi University
- 2010-present: Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Musashino Red Cross Hospital

Honors and Awards **AWARDS**
 2000 Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan Award
 2006 Hepatology Research Award of the JSH
 2008 The Japan Society of Hepatology Research Award
 2013 Hepatology Research High Citation Award of the JSH

GUIDELINE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- Hepatitis Treatment Guideline (The Japan Society of Hepatology)
- Clinical Practice Guideline for Liver Cirrhosis (Japanese Society of Gastroenterology)



Dr. Teiji Kuzuya

Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Fujita Health University
Japan

Areas of interest

Gastroenterology
Liver Cancer

Educational and Career Experiences

Education:

1998, MD, Mie University School of Medicine, Tsu, Mie, Japan.
2008, PhD, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine, Nagoya, Japan.

Career:

2011-2019 Assistant Professor, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine
2020.1 Lecturer, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine
2020.4 Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Fujita Health University
2023.2. Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Fujita
Health University

Honors and Awards

2010 Best Presentation Award at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Japanese
Society of Gastroenterology, 2010



Dr. Sundeep Lakhtakia

Director, Endoscopy & EUS, Asian Institute of Gastroenterology, Hyderabad
India

Areas of interest Endoscopy intervention, EUS, ERCP

Educational and MD (Medicine),
Career Experiences DM (Gastroenterology)

Honors and Awards President, Society of GI Endoscopy of India (SGEI, 2022-23); & General
Secretary, SGEI (2018-2021).
Vice-chair, International Committee, American Society GI Endoscopy.
Steering Committee member Asian EUS Group (AEG).
Visiting Professor, Johns Hopkins University, USA.
Fellow of ASGE, SGEI, ACG, JGES.



Dr. Thi Thanh Thuy Le

Associate Professor, Department of Global Education and Medical Sciences, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka Metropolitan University
Japan

Dr. Le is an Associate Professor at the Department of Global Education and Medical Sciences, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka Metropolitan University, Osaka, Japan from April 2023. She earned her M.D. at Hanoi Medical University, Hanoi, Vietnam in 2001 with the top-first score. From 2002 to 2007, she has awarded the Japanese Monbusho scholarship for the Ph.D. course at Osaka University, concerning HBV genotypes in Vietnam. From 2007-2014, she was a postdoctoral fellow at Osaka University for 2 years and has been working at Department of Hepatology, Osaka Metropolitan University since 2009.

She is interested in the pathophysiological role of hepatic stellate cells in liver fibrosis, steatohepatitis, cirrhosis, and cancer. Her works are concerned with clarification of the function, and mechanical action of Cytoglobin in liver diseases leading to her rank as second expertise worldwide on Cytoglobin. She has published more than 30 peer-review papers including those in Nature Communications, Journal of Hepatology, Hepatology, Science Advance, Lancet Gastroenterol Hepatol, Journal of Biological Chemistry, American Journal of Pathology, etc.; and 3 book chapters on Springer Nature, and Elsevier publishing groups. She is the reviewer for the following international journals International Journal of Cancer, Plos One, and Hepatology Research.

Regarding the education and international cooperation, she is the liaison for educational and research activities between Osaka Metropolitan University Medical School and overseas universities, especially from Vietnam. Under her role, approximately 50 Vietnamese medical students, young physicians, and visiting professor have studied, and visited Osaka Metropolitan University, Graduate School of Medicine for PhD, or training courses.



Dr. Jeong-Hoon Lee

Professor Department of Internal Medicine and Liver Research Institute, Seoul National University
College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest	Chronic hepatitis B, Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Education 1996–2002: M.D., Seoul National University College of Medicine 2005–2007: Master's degree of Medicine, Seoul National University College of Medicine 2007–2009: Doctor's degree of Medicine, Seoul National University College of Medicine</p> <p>Career 2010-present: Professor, Seoul National University Hospital</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Awards 2016. Yuhan Medical Research Award 2018. Korean Liver Cancer Association Research Award 2020. GlaxoSmithKline Research Award of the Korean Association for the Study of the Liver 2022. Hamchun-DongA Research Awards (Research Award by Seoul National University College of Medicine Alumni Association)</p> <p>Representative 5 Publications 1. Association of Chronic Hepatitis B Infection and Antiviral Treatment with the Development of the Extrahepatic Malignancies: A Nationwide Cohort Study. <i>J Clin Oncol.</i> 2022 Oct;40(29):3394-3405. (first & corresponding author) (IF2022=45.3) 2. Adjuvant Immunotherapy with Autologous Cytokine-induced Killer Cells for Hepatocellular Carcinoma. <i>Gastroenterology.</i> 2015 Jun;148(7):1383-1391. (first author) (IF2022=29.4) 3. Discontinuation of Nucleos(t)ide Analogues Is Not Associated with A Higher Risk of HBsAg-Seroreversion after Antiviral-Induced HBsAg-Seroclearance: A Nationwide Multicenter Study. <i>Gut.</i> 2020 Dec;69(12):2214-2222. (corresponding author) (IF2022=24.5) 4. An artificial intelligence model to predict hepatocellular carcinoma risk in Korean and Caucasian patients with chronic hepatitis B. <i>J Hepatol.</i> 2022 Feb;76(2):311-318. (corresponding author) (IF2022=25.7) 5. Identification of a quadruple mutation that confers tenofovir resistance in chronic hepatitis B patients. <i>J Hepatol.</i> 2019 Jun;70(6):1093-1102. (first & corresponding author) (IF2022=25.7)</p>



Dr. Jeong Min Lee

Professor Radiology Seoul National University Hospital
Korea

Areas of interest Hepatobiliary imaging
 Image guided tumor ablation
 Multiparametric MRI for oncologic diseases
 US elastography and MR elastography
 Contrast-enhanced ultrasound for liver tumors

Educational and
Career Experiences

Educational experiences

GRADUATE: Jeonbuk National University, College of Medicine, 1990 (MD)
 POSTGRADUATE:
 Jeonbuk National University, 1993 (Master)
 Chungnam National University, 2004 (Ph.D)

Career experiences

President of the Korean Society of Radiology (2021. 3~2024. 2)
 • Chair of the Educational Committee, Asia-Oceanian Society of Radiology (AOSR).
 • Author of over 500 scientific articles in prestigious international journals.
 • Esteemed member of the Editorial Boards of Radiology, the Korean Journal of Radiology (KJR), Cancer Imaging, Abdominal Radiology, Abdominal Imaging, and Liver Cancer.

Honors and Awards

- Fellow of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM).
- Honorary member of the American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS), the Japan Radiological Society (JRS), and the Chinese Society of Radiology (CSR).
- Distinguished member of The Korean Academy of Science and Technology.
- Member of the National Academy of Medicine of Korea.



Dr. Cosmas Rinaldi A. Lesmana

Senior Consultant Gastroenterology & Hepatology

1) Department of Internal Medicine, Hepatobiliary Division, Dr. Cipto Mangunkusumo Hospital, Medical Faculty Universitas Indonesia

2) Digestive Disease & GI Oncology Centre, Medistra Hospital

3) Gastrointestinal Cancer Centre, Mochtar Riyadi Comprehensive Cancer Centre, Siloam Semanggi Hospital Indonesia

Areas of interest

Liver Cirrhosis, Portal Hypertension, Hepatobiliary Malignancy, Pancreatic Malignancy, Endo-Hepatology (ERCP, EUS)

Educational and Career Experiences

Cosmas Rinaldi A. Lesmana is Associate Professor in Medicine at the Department of Internal Medicine, Hepatobiliary Division, Dr. Cipto Mangunkusumo National General Hospital, Universitas Indonesia in Jakarta. Dr Lesmana serves as one of the Research Coordinator Staff for the department. He is also working at Digestive Disease & GI Oncology Centre (DDOC), Medistra Hospital, Jakarta as well as at Gastrointestinal Cancer Centre (GCC), MRCCC Siloam Hospital, Jakarta as a senior consultant and interventional endoscopist. He carried out his medical and postgraduate training in Internal Medicine and in Gastroenterology/Hepatology at Diponegoro University, Semarang and Department of Internal Medicine, Dr. Cipto Mangunkusumo National General Hospital, Universitas Indonesia, Jakarta. During his early career, he underwent variety of additional short courses training, such as basic and advance endoscopy (including ERCP) in Asian Institute of Gastroenterology (AIG), Hyderabad, India, Hepatology (Fibroscan training) in Hopital Haut Leveaque, Bordeaux, France, and basic molecular hepatitis virus infection at Victorian Infectious Disease Reference Laboratory (VIDRL), Melbourne, Australia. In 2011, he further continued his interest in portal hypertension training at Institute of Liver & Biliary Sciences (ILBS), New Delhi, India. In 2014, he received endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) proctorship training program from Asian EUS Group (AEG) and in 2015, he continued further advance EUS training at Baldota Institute of Digestive Science (BIDS), Global Hospital, Mumbai, India. He is now one of Educational Sub-Committee at Asian EUS Group (AEG), and a member of American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE). Currently, he is just being elected as a member of American Association for Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), and as The Secretary General of Indonesian Association for The Study of The Liver (InaSL). His latest innovation study in Endo-Hepatology has been elected for presentation at AGA Scientific Research Forum during Digestive Disease Week (DDW) 2023, Chicago, USA.

Honors and Awards

- 2005 4th rank Young Investigator Award APASL (Asian Pacific Association for The Study of The Liver) Bali, Indonesia
- 2008 AASLD-APASL Award in APASL Seoul, Korea
- 2010 Young Investigator Award APASL Beijing, China
- 2010 Travel Grant Award 4th Meeting of The Society Gastrointestinal Intervention (SGI), Seoul, Korea
- 2012 Travel Grant Award at UEGW (United European Gastroenterology Week), Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2012 AASLD (American Association for The Study of Liver Diseases) Presidential Poster of Distinction, Boston, USA
- 2015 Travel Grant Award at APDW (Asian Pacific Digestive Week), Taipei, Taiwan
- 2018 Travel Grant Award at AASLD, San Francisco, USA



Dr. Seng Gee Lim

Professor Seng Gee Lim, FRACP, FRCP, FAMS, MD, is Director of Hepatology at the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, National University Health System, Singapore, and was previously Chief of Division. He graduated in 1980 from Monash Medical School completed his research MD at the Royal Free Hospital. Singapore

Areas of interest	<p>Hepatitis B, Hepatitis, Cirrhosis, Hepatitis C, and Liver Transplant.</p> <p>Prof. Seng Gee Lim has research interests in clinical trials of new treatments for chronic hepatitis B and C (where he has been principal investigator in many clinical trials). He has a particular interest in translational research in viral hepatitis, involving molecular biology and immunology of hepatitis, and runs an active laboratory investigating the impact on viral evolution in hepatitis B and HBV lifecycle events.</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>He is a member of the editorial boards for Liver International, Journal of Viral Hepatitis, Hepatology International, Alimentary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Lancet Gastroenterology & Hepatology, and Evidence Based Internal Medicine Solutions.</p> <p>He is currently chairman of the Singapore Hepatology Conference and Science of HBV Cure Conference, and was previously the Chairman of the Asia Pacific Association for Study of the Liver (APASL) Liver Week 2013 Congress. He served as Governing Council member from 2014-2018 of the International Association for Study of Liver (IASL), and has been appointed to the AASLD Asia Pacific Regional Advisory Council in 2018. He is also governing council board member of International Coalition for Eradication for Hepatitis B (ICE-HBV) and a co-chair of the HBV Forum combination therapy committee. He is faculty at the Asia Pacific EBM workshop.</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>His research includes clinical trials of new treatments for chronic hepatitis B and C, and translational research in viral hepatitis, involving molecular biology and immunology of hepatitis B.</p>



Dr. Young-Suk Lim

Professor Department of Gastroenterology Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest

Hepatitis B
Hepatocellular carcinoma, prevention and surveillance

Educational and Career Experiences

- Seoul National University College of Medicine, 1986-1992
- PhD degree of Medicine, Seoul National University, 2002
- Clinical Research Training Program, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, USA, 2007-2008
- Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea, 2003 - 2008
- Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Asan Medical Center, University of Ulsan College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea, 2014 - Current
- Director, Clinical Trial Center, Asan Medical Center, April 2015 – May 2019
- Associate Dean (Research Affairs) of the University of Ulsan College of Medicine, March 2018 – February 2022.
- Secretary General, Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (KASL): Dec. 2019-Nov. 2021.
- Director of APASL Webinar Programs in 2021

Honors and Awards

- 2015 Emerging Leader Award, Asian Pacific Digestive Week (Nov. 2015, Taipei, Taiwan)
- Official commendation by the Minister of the Ministry of Health and Welfare of Korean Government, 2017, 2020, 2022
- The First Leading Research Achievement Award of the Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (KASL), 2023



Dr. Han-Chieh Lin

Professor of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Taipei Veterans General Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest

Clinical and laboratory research in cirrhosis & portal hypertension.
Clinical and laboratory research in MAFLD

Educational and Career Experiences

M.D., Taipei Medical University College of Medicine.
Research Fellowship, Laboratoire d'Hémodynamique Splanchnique, INSERM U-24, Hôpital Beaujon, Clichy, France (under Prof. Didier Lebec's instruction).
Director, Division of Hepatology & Gastroenterology, Taipei Veterans General Hospital

Honors and Awards

Dr. Han-Chieh Lin is now the professor of Division of Hepatology & Gastroenterology at both Taipei Veterans General Hospital and National Yang-Ming University School of Medicine. Dr. Lin was graduated from Taipei Medical University School of Medicine in 1981. He received complete internal medicine and gastroenterology/hepatology training at Taipei Veterans General Hospital. He also spent 1 year in Paris as a research fellow with Professor Didier Lebec from 1989 to 1990.

Dr. Lin has deeply involved in the research of pathophysiology of cirrhotic portal hypertension, liver fibrosis, and complications of cirrhosis. He had continuously received the research award of professor grade from the Taiwan National Science Council for 10 years. He has been invited to join the editorial board of "Journal of Hepatology" from 1995 to 1999. He was the associate editor of "Liver International" from 2008 to 2014, and was the academic editor of PLoS One from 2014 to 2020. He joined the editorial team of Journal of Hepatology as an associate editor from 2015 to 2017. Currently, he is the associate editor of Hepatology International since 2019/9. He has published more than 400 peer-reviewed articles in SCI journals with about 100 articles are as first or corresponding authors.



Dr. Shi-Ming Lin

Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Chang Gung Memorial Hospital and University
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Diagnosis (cytology and CEUS) and treatment (RFA, MWA, target and immune checkpoint inhibitor) of hepatoma and antiviral therapies for hepatitis B/C
Educational and Career Experiences	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1.. Education: National Taiwan University 5th and 6th President, Taiwan Liver Cancer Association (2017-2020; 2020 Aug – Aug 2023)2. Founding and 2nd President, Taiwan Academy of Tumor Ablation (Feb 2012-Feb 2016)3. 1st President, Asian Conference of Tumor Ablation, 2014
Honors and Awards	Dr. Lin studied medicine at NTU. Following this, he completed resident training in VGH Taipei and GI fellowship in Chang-Gung Memorial Hospital-Linkuo. Dr. Lin is currently a Professor since 2007 at CGMH and Chang Gung University. Dr. Lin is one of the pioneers of RFA for liver tumors in Taiwan. So far, 9 international doctors have studied RFA under the teaching by Dr. Lin. He has published 120 papers including Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Gut, Journal of Hepatology, and Cancer. Dr. Lin has 4 papers (Hepatology 1999 and Gastroenterology 2004, Gut 2005 and J Hepato 2007) ranked as the highly cited papers. Dr. Lin also got 1960-2022 WORLD TOP 2% SCIENTIST.



Dr. Chun-Jen Liu

Director Hepatitis Research Center National Taiwan University Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest

Hepatitis B,
Hepatitis C,
HCC,
and steatotic liver disease

Educational and
Career Experiences

MD and PhD at the National Taiwan University.

Professor at the Department of Internal Medicine, National Taiwan University
College of Medicine.

Director of the Hepatitis Research Center, National Taiwan University Hospital.

Director of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, NTUH

Director of Clinical Trial Center, NTUH.

President, Taiwan Association for the Study of the Liver

Honors and Awards

JGH Foundation Emerging Leader Lecture in APDW 2013

NTUH outstanding Research Award 2022



Dr. Imelda Maria Loho

Medical staff, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Dharmais Hospital, Indonesian National Cancer Center
Indonesia

Areas of interest

Liver cancer

Educational and

2003-2009: Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Indonesia

Career Experiences

2010-2016: Internal Medicine Residency, Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Indonesia

2016-present: Medical staff, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Dharmais Hospital, Indonesian National Cancer Center

2021-present: Fellow of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Indonesia

2020-present: Education and Research Committee, Indonesian Association of Study of The Liver (Ina-ASL)



Dr. Sheng-Nan Lu

Professor, School of Medicine, Chang Gung University, Clinical Professor, Division of Hepato-Gastroenterology, Kaohsiung Chang Gung Memorial Hospital
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Hepatology and Interventional Ultrasonography. Epidemiology and Prevention Medicine.
Educational and Career Experiences	Vice Superintendent, Chiayi Chang Gung Memorial Hospitals (2017~2020). Vice Superintendent, Kaohsiung Chang Gung Memorial Hospitals (2020~2023). President, Taiwan Academy of Tumor Ablation (TATA), 2016~2018. Host Chair, 6th Asian Conference of Tumor Ablation (ACTA) 2019, Chiayi, Taiwan. Conference Chair, Annal Meeting of the Taiwan Association for the Study of Liver (TASL) 2022, Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Chairman, Taiwan Digestive Disease Week (TDDW) 2023, Kaohsiung, Taiwan.



Dr. David C. Madoff

Professor of Radiology, Medicine (Oncology) & Surgery (Oncology) Vice Chair for Clinical Research Section Chief, Interventional Radiology Principal Investigator, Interventional Oncology Research Lab Department of Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Yale School of Medicine USA

Areas of interest

Hepatocellular carcinoma, Cholangiocarcinoma, Preoperative hepatic augmentation, Management of portal hypertension

Educational and Career Experiences

Education

B.A., Emory University, Atlanta, GA (1989)
M.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA (1995)
Diagnostic Radiology, SUNY at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY (2000)
Interventional Radiology, University of Texas at Houston, Houston, TX (2001)

Career Experiences

Interventional Radiology Faculty, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center 2001-2010
Section Chief, Interventional Radiology, Weill Cornell Medicine 2011-2015
Vice Chair for Academic Affairs, Weill Cornell Medicine 2015-2019
Vice Chair for Clinical Research, Yale School of Medicine 2019-present
Section Chief, Interventional Radiology, Yale School of Medicine 2020-present

Journal Editor

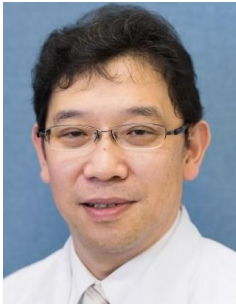
Deputy Editor, Journal of Vascular & Interventional Radiology, 2007-2010
Deputy Editor, Radiology, 2012-2017
co-Editor-in-Chief (founding), Digestive Disease Interventions, 2017-present

Book Editor

Madoff DC, Makuuchi M, Nagino M, Vauthey JN. Venous Embolization of the Liver: Radiologic and Surgical Practice. Springer-Verlag, Limited, London, United Kingdom, 2011.
Kee ST, Murthy R, Madoff DC. Clinical Interventional Oncology. Elsevier, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2014.
Covey AM, Pua BB, Aguado A, Madoff DC. Interventional Radiology Cases. Oxford University Press, New York, New York, 2015.
Pua BB, Covey AM, Madoff DC. Interventional Radiology: Fundamentals of Clinical Practice. Oxford University Press, New York, New York, 2019.

Honors and Awards

Fellow, Society of Interventional Radiology, 2007
Fellow, American College of Radiology, 2015
Corresponding Fellow, Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology Society of Europe, 2018
Honorary Member, Chinese College of Interventionalists (CCI), 2022
1st Annual HCC New Horizons Keynote Lecture, Society of Interventional Oncology, 2023



Dr. Shin Maeda

Professor and Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology, Yokohama City University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Inflammation and hepatocarcinogenesis

Educational and
Career Experiences

EDUCATION

1993 M.D. University of Hokkaido, Sapporo, Japan.

1996-2000 Graduate School of Medicine, University of Tokyo

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1993-1994 Resident, Tokyo University Hospital

1994-1995 Resident, Japan Red-cross Medical Center

1995-1996 Medical Staff, Dept of Gastroenterology, Tokyo University Hospital

2000-2001 Medical Staff, Dept of Gastroenterology, Tokyo University Hospital

2001-2005 Postdoctoral Fellow, Dept of Pharmacology, University of California, San Diego (Dr. Michael Karin), CA

2005-2008 Chief, Division of Gastroenterology, Institute of Adult Diseases, Asahi Life Foundation

2008-2010 Research Associate, Dept of Gastroenterology, University of Tokyo

2010-present Professor and Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology, Yokohama City University

Honors and Awards 2010 JCA-Mauvernay Award



Dr. Rakhi Maiwall

Professor, Department of Hepatology, Institute of Liver & Biliary Sciences (ILBS)

India

Areas of interest

Critical care hepatology, Acute kidney injury in patients with ACLF and chronic liver disease, liver regeneration and artificial liver support therapies.

Educational and Career Experiences

- MBBS from Kanpur University in 2003 with 3 gold medals
- MD (General Medicine) from KGMU Lucknow in 2007 with gold medal.
- DM (Gastroenterology) from CMC Vellore in 2011.

Honors and Awards

- Plenary award at ISGCON 2016 on paper entitled "Cystatin C predicts Acute Kidney Injury and Mortality in Cirrhotics"
- Passed MBBS with three gold medals
- Gold medal in Biochemistry subject in MBBS Ist Professional exam.
- Gold medal for securing highest aggregate marks in MBBS IInd Professional exam
- Gold medal in Pathology.
- Won Deeptanshu Vedant Gupta award in UPICON, 2006 Quiz competition.
- Gold medal in MD Medicine.
- Won 2nd prize in Poster/Paper titled celiac disease is associated with NCIPH/Cryptogenic CLD in our population at INASL session of ISGCON, 2010.
- Received award for best plenary paper ISGCON 2012, Jaipur
- Received award for best presidential poster ISGCON 2012
- First prize in plenary session of ISGCON 2014, Mumbai
- Completed certificate course in critical care by American Heart Association
- "Hepatology 360" runner up award for oral presentation in clinical research
- AASLD Career Research Development Award 2018
- Best of ILC abstract 2018 (Amongst the Top six abstracts)- "Therapeutic Plasma-Exchange Improves Systemic Inflammation and Survival in patients with Acute on Chronic Liver Failure"
- Best Poster EASL: Determinants of clinical efficacy of empirical antibiotic treatment in patients with cirrhosis and bacterial infections: Results from the ICA Global study
- Poster of Distinction "Dynamic AARC-AKI score determines Extrarenal Organ Failures and Bacterial Infection in patients with Acute on Chronic Liver Failure"
- Best of AASLD abstract 2018(Top six abstracts in section on portal hypertension and complications of cirrhosis) "Early vs. Late Sustained Low Efficiency Dialysis in Critically ill cirrhotics with septic shock- Interim analysis of a Randomized Controlled trial
- Invited as faculty to Baylor College of Medicine to conduct the transplant grand rounds and inspire the students how to pursue clinical research



Dr. Saburo Matsubara

Associate Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Saitama Medical Center,
Saitama Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest Endoscopic management of pancreato-biliary disorders including ERCP, EUS-FNA, and interventional EUS

Educational and Career Experiences **Education**
1993-1999 Kanazawa University School of Medicine awarded M.D.
1999-2000 University of Tokyo Hospital, Resident of internal medicine
2000-2003 Saitama Red Cross Hospital, Senior resident of internal medicine
2003-2008 Post-graduate school, University of Tokyo, awarded Ph.D.

Professional experience

2003-2005 University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology
2005-2007 JR Tokyo General Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology
2007-2008 University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology
2008-2010 Kanto Central Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology
2010-2014 Tokyo Metropolitan Police Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology
2014-2017 Assistant professor; Dept. of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo
2017-present Associate professor; Dept of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University
2023-present Director of the Endoscopy Center, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University



Dr. Shunichi Matsuoka

Assistant Director of Mitsuwadai General Hospital
Japan

Educational and Career Experiences

EDUCATION

NIHON UNIVERSITY, School of Medicine
1999 Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine
Ph.D. (Dr. of Medical Science)
NIHON UNIVERSITY, School of Medicine
1988 M.D. (Passed the National Medical Board Examination)

EXPERIENCE

MITSUWADAI GENERAL HOSPITAL

Apr. 2020 – Present Assistant Director

NIHON UNIVERSITY, School of Medicine

Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine
Guest Professor

Apr. 2015 NIHON UNIVERSITY, School of Medicine

Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine
Professor of Medicine

May 2008 NIHON UNIVERSITY, School of Medicine

Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Medicine
Associate Professor

Apr. 2005 SOCIAL INSURANCE YOKOHAMA CENTRAL HOSPITAL

Division of Gastroenterology General Manager of Medical Department

Jun. 2001 MITSUWADAI GENERAL HOSPITAL

General Manager of Department of Internal Medicine

Dec. 1996 SOCIAL INSURANCE YOKOHAMA CENTRAL HOSPITAL

Division of Gastroenterology Head of Medical Department

Jun. 1993 FEDERATION OF NATIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE PERSONNEL

MITUAL AID ASSOCIATIONS TORANOMON HOSPITAL

Medical staff in Hepatology



Dr. Manuel Mendizabal

Chief of Hepatology, Department of Medicine Austral University Hospital
Argentina

Areas of interest	Viral Hepatitis, Liver Transplantation, Artificial Intelligence, Pulmonary Complications of the Liver
Educational and Career Experiences	Internal Medicine, Austral University Hospital, Pilar, Argentina Hepatology and Liver Transplant Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, USA
Honors and Awards	International Affairs, Latin American Association for the Study of the Liver (ALEH)



Dr. Kouichi Miura

Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	NAFLD (MASLD) Liver fibrosis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Mar 1992 Graduated from Jichi Medical University School of Medicine</p> <p>Jun 1992 Resident, Jichi Medical University Hospital</p> <p>Jun 2000 First Department of Internal Medicine, Akita University Hospital</p> <p>Apr 2004 Assistant professor, Akita University</p> <p>Apr 2006 Research fellow, Columbia University</p> <p>Apr 2007 Research fellow, University of California, San Diego</p> <p>Dec 2009 Clinical Assistant Professor, Akita University Hospital Liver Disease Consultation Center</p> <p>Apr 2017 Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University</p> <p>Mar 2019 Associate Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University</p> <p>Apr 2023 Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2014 Excellent Presentation Award, Hamanako Symposium</p> <p>2013 Research grants, Liver forum in Kyoto</p> <p>2012 Research grants, Nakayama Cancer Institute</p> <p>2012 Research grants, Liver forum in Kyoto</p> <p>2011 Research grants, Mishima Kaiun Memorial Foundation</p> <p>2010 Crown Award, The Japan Society of Hepatology</p>



Dr. Kouichi Miura

Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest

NAFLD (MASLD)
Liver fibrosis

Educational and Career Experiences

Mar 1992 Graduated from Jichi Medical University School of Medicine
 Jun 1992 Resident, Jichi Medical University Hospital
 Jun 2000 First Department of Internal Medicine, Akita University Hospital
 Apr 2004 Assistant professor, Akita University
 Apr 2006 Research fellow, Columbia University
 Apr 2007 Research fellow, University of California, San Diego
 Dec 2009 Clinical Assistant Professor, Akita University Hospital Liver Disease
 Consultation Center
 Apr 2017 Assistant Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical
 University
 Mar 2019 Associate Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical
 University
 Apr 2023 Professor, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University

Honors and Awards

2014 Excellent Presentation Award, Hamanako Symposium
 2013 Research grants, Liver forum in Kyoto
 2012 Research grants, Nakayama Cancer Institute
 2012 Research grants, Liver forum in Kyoto
 2011 Research grants, Mishima Kaiun Memorial Foundation
 2010 Crown Award, The Japan Society of Hepatology



Dr. Suguru Mizuno

Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Aitama Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	Autoimmune pancreato-biliary diseases Primary sclerosing cholangitis Autoimmune pancreatitis Chronic pancreatitis Endoscopic treatment for pancreato-biliary diseases
Educational and Career Experiences	M.D., Ph.D., The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan 2012 01/04/2022-present, Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Saitama Medical University, Saitama, Japan 01/09/2015-31/03/2022, Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
Honors and Awards	Young Investigator Award, Japan Digestive Disease Week, 2018 Young Investigator Award, the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine, 2016



Dr. Satoshi Mochida

Professor and Chairman; Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology,
Saitama Medical University
Japan

- Areas of interest Gastrointestinal diseases and hepatology, especially viral hepatitis and liver failure
- Educational and Career Experiences
- Graduated from Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo (1984)
 - Assistant Professor; First Department of Internal Medicine, University of Tokyo (1989)
 - Assistant Professor; Third Department of Internal Medicine, Saitama Medical University (1994)
 - Senior Lecturer; Third Department of Internal Medicine, Saitama Medical University (1995)
 - Associate Professor; Third Department of Internal Medicine, Saitama Medical University (1998)
 - Professor; Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Saitama Medical University (2003)
 - Professor and Chairman; Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Saitama Medical University (2005)
- Honors and Awards
- Research Award from the Japan Society of Hepatology (1992)
 - Research Award from the Liver Forum (Eastern Branch) (2004)



Dr. Hitoshi Mochizuki

Director of Genome Analysis Center, Yamanashi Central Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Gastroenterology
Data Science

Educational and
Career Experiences

1980 Graduated from Jichi Medical University
1980 Engaged in medical care in remote areas
1990 Department of Gastroenterology, Yamanashi Central Hospital
2013 Genome Analysis Center



Dr. Jong Ho Moon

Professor of Medicine Director, Digestive Disease Center Soon Chun Hyang University
 School of Medicine
 Korea

Areas of interest

1. Therapeutic and diagnostic endoscopy of biliary tract and pancreas
2. Endoscopic stenting
3. EUS including intervention, IDUS

Educational and
 Career Experiences

EDUCATION:

1985.3 - 1989.2	School of Medicine SoonChunHyang University of School of Medicine, Korea Degree : M.D.
1992.3 - 1994.2	Graduate School SoonChunHyang University of School of Medicine, Korea Degree : M.M.S.
1994.3 - 1998.2	Graduate School, Ph.D. Course SoonChunHyang University of School of Medicine, Korea Degree : Ph.D.

APPOINTMENTS:

2005. 3 - 2005. 8 Visiting Assistant Professor Division of Gastroenterology,
 Department of Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle,
 USA

2010. 9 - Professor Division of Gastroenterology, Department of
 Medicine, Soon Chun Hyang University of School of Medicine, Korea



Honors and Awards

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

International; 260 Domestic; over 290

Representative;

Moon JH, et al. Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography. *Gastrointest Endosc* 2014;80(3):388-391.

Moon JH, et al. Peroral cholangioscopy: Diagnostic and therapeutic applications. *Gastroenterology* 2013;144(2):276-82.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

Representative;

2012, May 19-22, DDW 2012 (Digestive Disease Week 2012), San Diego, USA
 State-of-the-Art Lecture: Optimizing ERCP diagnostic techniques for assessment of biliary tract lesion; where we are going?

2013, Oct 12-16, UEGW 2013 (21st United European Gastroenterology Week), Berlin, Germany

Invited faculty; Live endoscopy course/Demonstrator

2014, December 9-11, 29th International Workshop on Therapeutic Endoscopy, Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong

Invited faculty; Speaker, Live endoscopy course demonstrator

2015, January 29-February 1, 22nd International Symposium on Pancreatic & Biliary Endoscopy, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, LA, USA

Co-course director; Chairperson, Speaker, Live endoscopy course demonstrator

2015, February 5-7, 17th Düsseldorf International Endoscopy Symposium, Maritim hotel, Düsseldorf, Germany

Invited faculty; Chairperson, Speaker, Live endoscopy course demonstrator

December 1-2, 2017 MD Anderson 2nd Annual Sawyer International Pancreatobiliary Symposium

Invited faculty; Speaker

February 1-3, 2018 Düsseldorf International Endoscopy Symposium

Chairperson, Speaker, Live endoscopy course demonstrator



Dr. Naoki Morimoto

Professor, Department of medicine, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical university
Japan

Areas of interest

Translational and clinical research of Hepatocellular carcinoma

Educational and
Career Experiences

2013 - present

Jichi Medical University, Department of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology

2018 University College London, Royal Free Hospital, visiting professor.

2005-2013

Shimotsuga General Hospital, Department of Gastroenterology, Department Director.

2002-2005

Shizuoka Cancer Center, Department of Diagnostic Imaging, Physician-in-Chief.

1999-2002

Shimotsuga General Hospital, Department of Gastroenterology, Physician-in-Chief.

1995-1999

Chiba University Postgraduate School of Medicine – Chiba, Japan
Ph.D.

1992-1995

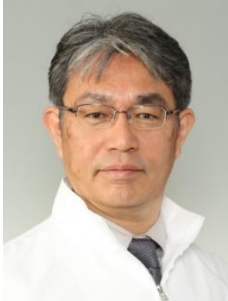
Numazu City Hospital, Department of Gastroenterology.

1991-1992

Chiba University Hospital, First Department of Medicine, Registrar.

1985-1991

Chiba University School of Medicine – Chiba, Japan



Dr. Zenichi Morise

Professor and Chairman, Department of Surgery,
Fujita Health University School of Medicine Okazaki Medical Center
Japan

Areas of interest Liver surgery
 Minimally invasive Liver surgery

Educational and Career Experiences Zenichi Morise M.D., Ph.D., FACS, born in 1962 at Kurume-city FUKUOKA JAPAN and graduated Keio University in 1987.
He is the founding past director of Fujita Health University Okazaki Medical Center. In the role, he prepared the university hospital from scratch and run until it became well-functioning and profitable, beside he successfully conducted the project of accommodating and caring 128 COVID positive patients from the cruise ship in the facility just before the openings (Feb-Mar 2020) both of the hospital and the pandemic in Japan.
He is now also the deputy chief editor of Fujita Medical Journal, and a program officer of Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED).



Dr. Asahiro Morishita

Associate Professor / Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology,
Kagawa University Faculty of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Therapy Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis Translational Research of Liver Diseases
Educational and Career Experiences	1991-1997 Kagawa University Faculty of Medicine 1007-2001 Post graduate school, Kagawa University 2001-2006 Postdoctoral fellow 2006-2013 Associate Research Scientist, Columbia University 2013-2018 Assistant Professor, Kagawa University 2019- Associate Professor / Lecturer
Honors and Awards	Research Award, 11th Hamanako Symposium Oral Free Paper Prize, 23rd United European Gastroenterology Week 2015 Research Award, Kagawa University Alumni



Dr. Kei Moriya

Director Department of Gastroenterology Nara Prefecture General Medical Center
Japan

Areas of interest

- Liver Fibrosis
- Liver Cirrhosis
- Liver Cancer
- Autoimmune Liver Disease
- Extra Cellular Matrix

Educational and
Career Experiences

- 1998 Nara Medical University, M.D.
- 2008 Post Graduate School, Nara Medical University, Ph.D.
- 2008 – 2011 Cleveland Clinic, OH, USA, Research Fellow
- 2011 – 2016 Nara Medical University, Assistant Professor
- 2016 – 2022 Nara Medical University, Lecturer
- 2022 – present Nara Prefecture General Medical Center, Director

Honors and Awards

- 2014 Research Grants for Young Researchers, Nara Medical University
- 2021 Clinical Research Grant, Nara Medical University
- 2022 Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science
- 2023 International Travel Grants, AOCC2023, Busan



Dr. Kenta Motomura

Vice President, Director of the Department of Hepatology Aso IIZUKA Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Treatment of Hepatic Malignancies, focusing on Loco-Regional and Systemic Therapy

Educational and Career Experiences **Education**
1991: B.S. Medicine, Kyushu Univ.

Postgraduate Training and Residency

1991-1992: Internship at Moji Medical Center
1992-1993: Residency at Kyushu Univ. Hosp., 3rd Dept. of IM and the ICU.
1993-1994: Residency at NHO Fukuoka Higashi Medical Center), IM Dept.

Research and Further Education

1994-1999: Researcher and Postgraduate Student at Kyushu Univ., 3rd Dept. of IM.
Study Abroad Experience: Division of GI and Liver Diseases, Keck School of Medicine, Univ. of Southern California, May 1997 - March 1999

Professional Experience

1999-Present: Dept. of Hepatology, Aso IIZUKA Hosp. Director since 2014, Vice president since 2020

Honors and Awards 1997: Research Encouragement Award, Japanese Society of Hepatology



Dr. Hidenari Nagai

Professor Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Toho University Medical Center
Omori Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest HCC, IVR, cancer immunity

Educational and Career Experiences 1998-2000: Research Fellow, USC Research Center for Liver Diseases, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Honors and Awards Toho University Nukata Prize



Dr. Hiroaki Nagamatsu

Associate Professor Division of Gastroenterology Juntendo University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepatic arterial infusion chemotherapy for liver cancer
Transcatheter arterial chemoembolization for liver cancer

Educational and
Career Experiences

1991 Ph in Gastroenterology, Kurume University Graduate School of Medicine,
Kurume, Japan

2017. Juntendo University Graduate School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan
2003. Yame Republic Hospital, Yame, Japan
1991. Kurume University Graduate School of Medicine, Kurume, Japan



Dr. Hiroaki Nagano

Prof. and Chair, Department of Gastroenterological, Breast and Endocrine Surgery,
Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Surgery, Transplantation, Cancer
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2015- Professor and Chair, Department of Gastroenterological, Breast and Endocrine Surgery, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine</p> <p>2010-2015 Professor, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery and Transplantation Medicine, Osaka University Hospital</p> <p>2004-2010 Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University</p> <p>1997-2004 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University</p> <p>1994-1997 Research Fellow, Department of Surgery, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School</p> <p>1990-1994 Research Student, Department of Surgery, Osaka University Medical School</p> <p>1987-1990 Surgical Resident, Department of Surgery, The Center for Cancer of Osaka</p> <p>1986-1987 Surgical Resident, Department of Surgery, Osaka University Hospital</p> <p>1986 Graduate from Okayama University Medical School</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Young Investigator Award in ASTS</p> <p>Young Investigator Award in JST</p> <p>Research Incentive Award in JSCT</p> <p>Research Incentive Award in OCS</p>



Dr. Sumiko Nagoshi

Professor, Director of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	Liver Cirrhosis, Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	MD, PhD: Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo 1983 Resident in the University of Tokyo Hospital and Tokyo Kosei Nenkin Hospital 1998 Assistant Professor in Saitama Medical University 2004 Associate Professor in Saitama Medical University 2007 Professor of the Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Saitama Medical University 2012 Professor of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University 2019 Director of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Saitama Medical Center, Saitama Medical University
Honors and Awards	SHISEIKAI Scientific Award



Dr. Itaru Naitoh

Professor Department of Gastroenterology Nagoya City University Midori Municipal Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Diagnosis and treatment for biliary stricture IgG4-related disease (IgG4-related sclerosing cholangitis, autoimmune pancreatitis) Primary sclerosing cholangitis Endoscopic biliary stenting
Educational and Career Experiences	2023-present Professor, Department of Gastroenterology Nagoya City University Midori Municipal Hospital 2013-2023 Lecture, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences 2011-2013 Assistant professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences 2007-2011 Clinical Research Physician, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences 2001-2007 Staff Physician, Department of Gastroenterology, Tajimi Prefectural Hospital 1998-2001 Resident & Staff Physician, Department of Internal Medicine, Kosai Municipal Hospital 1997 Resident, Nagoya City University School of Medicine
Honors and Awards	2004 JDDW2004 Best Poster Award 2012 IDEN2012 Best Poster Award 2023 DEN Best Reviewers Award 2022



Dr. Hidetoshi Nakagawa

Assistant Professor, Gastroenterology, Institute of Medical, Pharmaceutical and Health Sciences
Kanazawa University
Japan

Areas of interest	Cancer Immunology T cell Immunology and thymic development
Educational and Career Experiences	2005 MD at Kanazawa University, Japan 2014 PhD at Kanazawa University, Japan (PI: Shuichi Kaneko) 2011-12 Special student at Immunology dept. Toyama University, Japan (PI: Atsushi Muraguchi) 2015-19 Research Fellow at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Harvard Medical School, USA (PI: Harvey Cantor) 2020-22 Assistant Professor at Kanazawa University Hospital, Kanazawa, Japan 2022- Current position
Honors and Awards	2016 Benacerraf Fellowship for Immunology/Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, USA 2017-19 Irvington Fellow/Cancer Research Institute, USA 2018 Japan Society of Hepatology 3rd Gilead Sciences Award 2022 Early Career Investigator Award in Clinical/Translational Sciences/American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD)



Dr. Kei Nakagawa

Associate professor, Department of Surgery, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Biliary tract cancer / Pancreatic cancer, Surgical treatment Chemotherapy, Genomic Medicine, Image diagnosis, Search for risk factors
Educational and Career Experiences	March 1997, Graduated from Tohoku University School of Medicine March 2003, Graduated from Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine October 2009, Assistant Professor, Department of Integrated Surgery and Oncology , Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine April 2013, Lecturer, Department of Integrated Surgery and Oncology, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine, October 2015, Lecturer, Hepatobiliary Pancreatic Surgery, Tohoku University Hospital April 2023, Associate professor, Department of Surgery, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine
Honors and Awards	2012 34th Japanese Association for Local Cancer Therapy Encouragement Award 2018 Best Presentation Award at the 56th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Oncology



Dr. Yousuke Nakai

Associate professor,

Department of Endoscopy and Endoscopic Surgery, The University of Tokyo Hospital

Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo

Japan

Areas of interest Diagnosis, endotherapy and chemotherapy for biliary tract diseases

Educational and Career Experiences 1992-1998 Faculty of medicine, the University of Tokyo, awarded M.D.
2001-2007 Graduate school of medicine, The University of Tokyo, awarded PhD.
2009-2010 The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
Assistant professor.
2010-2012 University of California Irvine Medical Center, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
2012-2019 The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology.
Assistant professor.
2019-present The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept of Endoscopy and Endoscopic Surgery, Associate professor



Dr. Atsushi Nakajima

Fellow of Japanese Society of Internal Medicine, AGA fellow
 Professor, Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology,
 Yokohama City University School of Medicine
 Japan

Educational and Career Experiences	1989 1997-2000 2000- 2006 2008-2013 2014-	M.D., Osaka University School of Medicine Assistant Professor, The 3rd Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan Visiting associates Professor, GI division, Brigham and women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School Professor, Internal medicine, Yokohama City University School of medicine Professor, Chairman, Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Yokohama City University School of medicine
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Recent publication:

1. Kessoku T, Imajo K, Kobayashi T, Ozaki A, Iwaki M, Honda Y, Kato T, Ogawa Y, Tomeno W, Kato S, Higurashi T, Yoneda M, Kirikoshi H, Kubota K, Taguri M, Yamanaka T, Usuda H, Wada K, Kobayashi N, Saito S, Nakajima A.: Lubiprostone in patients with non-alcoholic fatty liver disease: a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 2a trial, *Lancet Gastroenterol Hepatol.* 2020;5(11):996-1007.
2. Jinho Jung, Rohan R Loomba, Kento Imajo, Egbert Madamba, Sanil Gandhi, Ricki Bettencourt, Seema Singh, Carolyn Hernandez, Mark A Valasek, Cynthia Behling, Lisa Richards, Katie Fowler, Claude B Sirlin, Atsushi Nakajima, Rohit Loomba : MRE combined with FIB-4 (MEFIB) index in detection of candidates for pharmacological treatment of NASH-related fibrosis. *Gut*, 2020;gutjnl-2020-322976.
3. Kento Imajo , Yasushi Honda , Takashi Kobayashi , Koki Nagai , Anna Ozaki , Michihiro Iwaki , Takaomi Kessoku , Yuji Ogawa , Hirokazu Takahashi , Yusuke Saigusa , Masato Yoneda , Hiroyuki Kirikoshi , Daisuke Utsunomiya , Shinichi Aishima , Satoru Saito , Atsushi Nakajima : Direct Comparison of US and MR Elastography for Staging Liver Fibrosis in Patients With Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease. *Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol.* 2020 Dec 17;S1542- 3565(20)31673-6.
4. Nakajima A, Eguchi Y, Yoneda M, Imajo K, Tamaki N, Suganami H, Nojima T, Tanigawa R, Iizuka M, Iida Y, Loomba R.: Randomised clinical trial: Pemafibrate, a novel selective peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor α modulator (SPPARM α), versus placebo in patients with non-alcoholic fatty liver disease. *Aliment Pharmacol Ther.* 2021 Sep 16. doi: 10.1111/apt.16596.
5. Tamaki N, Imajo K, Sharpton S, Jung J, Kawamura N, Yoneda M, Valasek MA, Behling C, Sirlin CB, Nakajima A, Loomba R. MRE plus FIB-4 (MEFIB) versus FAST in detection of candidates for pharmacological treatment of NASH-related fibrosis. *Hepatology.* 2021 Sep 8. doi: 10.1002/hep.32145.



Dr. Nobuhiro Nakamoto

Associate Professor Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Keio University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Autoimmune liver diseases, Liver immunology, Microbiology

Educational and Career Experiences **EDUCATION and TRAINING**

2000-2004 Keio University, Graduate School of Medicine (Gastroenterology and Hepatology), Tokyo, Japan
Ph.D. was acquired in March, 2004

1998-2000 Intern and Resident in Internal Medicine, Keio University Hospital, Tokyo, Japan

1992-1998 Keio University, School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan
M.D. was acquired in March, 1998

EMPLOYMENT

2010-Current Associate Professor, Keio University, School of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

2007-2009 Postdoctoral fellow in Division of Gastroenterology, University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine (under the supervision of Dr. Kyong-Mi Chang, MD)

2004-2006 Instructor, Keio University, School of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

Honors and Awards The Japanese Society for Hepatology, Schering Plough joint Award (2009)
Young Investigator Award, Keio University School of Medicine Alumni Association (2013)
The Keio Medical Rising Star Award (2019)
Liver Forum Award (Taisho Toyama) (2019)
The Keio Medical Kitazato Award (2021)



Dr. Yasunari Nakamoto

Professor and Head, Second Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medical Sciences,
University of Fukui
Japan

Areas of interest	Pathogenesis of viral hepatitis and hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1989 M.D., Kanazawa University School of Medicine, Japan</p> <p>1993 Ph.D. (Dr. of Medical Science), Kanazawa University, Japan</p> <p>1994 Research Associate, The Scripps Research Institute (Prof. Francis V. Chisari), U.S.A.</p> <p>1996 Assistant Professor, First Department of Internal Medicine, Kanazawa University School of Medicine, Japan</p> <p>1997 Research Advisor, Monbusho (the Japanese Government) Research Experience Fellowships for Young Foreign Researchers, Japan</p> <p>2011 Professor and Head, Second Department of Internal Medicine (Gastroenterology and Neurology), Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of Fukui, Japan</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2004 GlaxoSmithKline Award, The 8th General Meeting of Japan Society of Hepatology, DDW-Japan, Fukuoka, Japan</p> <p>1998 HANS POPPER PRIZE, International Association for the Study of the Liver (IASL) Biennial Scientific Meeting, Chicago, U.S.A.</p> <p>1996 American Liver Foundation (ALF) FELLOW RESEARCH PRIZE, the 47th American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) Annual Meeting, Chicago, U.S.A.</p> <p>1996 Young Investigator Award for the Research Workshop, the 47th AASLD Annual Meeting, Chicago, U.S.A.</p> <p>1995 Postdoctoral Fellowship, Uehara Memorial Foundation, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>1992 Subsidy, the 1992 meeting on the molecular biology of hepatitis B virus, La Jolla, CA, U.S.A.</p>



Dr. Masafumi Nakamura

Department of Surgery and Oncology Graduate School of Medical Sciences ,Kyushu University
Japan

Areas of interest

HBP surgery and Laparoscopic surgery
Multidisciplinary therapy of pancreatic cancer
IPMN

Educational and
Career Experiences

1982-1988 M.D., Faculty of Medicine, Kyushu University, Japan.
1995-1999 Ph.D. (Medical Science), Graduate School of Medical Sciences,
Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan
1999-2001 Research Fellow, Cancer Biology Program, Harvard University
2011-2015 Chairperson and Professor, Dept. Digestive Surgery, Kawasaki
Medical School, Kurashiki, Japan
2015- Chairperson and Professor, Dept. Surgery and Oncology,
Kyushu University
2018- Vice-President of Kyushu University Hospital
2022- Director of Kyushu University Hospital

Honors and Awards

Long-term fellowship; Human Frontier Science Program 2000 (Strasburg,
France)
The most outstanding research paper award in FEBS letter in 2002
Grant-in-Aid, Japanese Society of strategies for Cancer Research and Therapy
2004
The Best Presentation Award for the Video Presentation, JSS 2013
Best Doctor 2014-2023



Dr. Shinichiro Nakamura

Vice President Director, Department of Internal Medicine Japanese Red Cross Society
Himeji Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Liver cancer, tumor ablation, chemotherapy, ultrasonography
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Apr. 2019-present; Vice president, Japanese Red Cross Society Himeji Hospital</p> <p>Oct. 2017-Mar. 2019; Director, Department of Hepatology, Japanese Red Cross Society Himeji Hospital</p> <p>Apr. 2017-Sept. 2017; Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Okayama University Hospital</p> <p>Jul. 2008-Mar. 2017; Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Okayama University Hospital</p> <p>Oct. 1998-Jun. 2008; Clinical Fellow, Department of gastroenterology and hepatology, Okayama University Hospital</p> <p>Aug. 1997-Sep. 1998; Doctor, Internal Medicine, Red Cross Society Kaibara Hospital</p> <p>Oct. 1995-Jul. 1997; Senior Resident, Japanese Red Cross Society Himeji Hospital</p> <p>Oct. 1993- Sep. 1995; Resident, Kagawa Prefectural Central Hospital</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Asian Conference on Tumor Ablation 2017, the silver prize in the Poster Presentation Award</p> <p>“Hepatocellular Carcinoma Recurrence in HCV Patients Treated with Direct Acting Antivirals after Curative Treatment”</p>



Dr. Takuma Nakatsuka

Research Associate, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest	Steatotic liver disease Hepatocellular carcinoma Liver fibrosis
Educational and Career Experiences	2006 M.D., Faculty of Medicine, The University of Tokyo, Japan 2015 Ph.D., Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo, Japan 2006-2007 Clinical Resident in Internal Medicine, Kanto Central Hospital, Tokyo, Japan. 2008-2010 Clinical Resident in Internal Medicine, Mitsui Memorial Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 2015-2016 Post-doctoral fellow and medical staff, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo, Japan 2017- Research Associate, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo, Japan
Honors and Awards	2018 Academic Incentive Award, Japanese Society of Molecular Medicine 2020 Research Incentive Award, The Japan Society of Hepatology 2020 Young Incentive Award, JDDW 2020 2021 Research Incentive Award, The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine (JSUM) 2021 Best Poster Award, JSH International Liver Conference 2021 Investigator Award, APASL Oncology 2021 2022 Research Incentive Award, The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology 2022 Best of The Liver Meeting 2022, AASLD 2023 Presidential Award, Japan Academy of Tumor Ablation (JATA)



Dr. Nobuaki Nakayama

Associate Professor Department of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Saitama Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest

Viral Hepatitis
Alcohol-related liver disease
Liver Failure

Educational and
Career Experiences

1990 Graduated from Hokkaido University, Sapporo
1995 PhD of Medical Science from Hokkaido University
1997-2000 Guest Scientist, German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ),
Heidelberg
2002 Assistant Professor, Saitama Medical University
2004 Lecturer, Saitama Medical University
2012 to present Associate Professor, Saitama Medical University

Honors and Awards

1995 The Hokkaido Medical Society Research Award
2020 The President's Award of the 24th General Meeting of the Japan Society of
Hepatology



Dr. Shawn Ng

Chief Executive Officer Parkway Laboratories IHH Healthcare
Malaysia

Areas of interest	Strategy, Organizational Culture
Educational and Career Experiences	M.B.,B.S. from National University of Singapore Former Director of Operations at Mount Elizabeth Hospital Former Country Head of Special Projects at IHH Healthcare Singapore
Honors and Awards	The Public Service Medal Pingat Bakti Masyarakat (PBM) - National Awards (COVID-19)



Dr. Qin Ning

director of the State Key Laboratory for Zoonotic Diseases in China; the chair of institute & Department of Infectious Diseases in Tongji Hospital, Tongji Medical College, Huazhong University of Science and Technology.
China

Areas of interest	Dr. Ning's clinical care activities include hepatology, clinical immunology, and infectious disease, with focus on viral hepatitis, and recently emerging SARS-CoV-2 infected COVID-19.
Educational and Career Experiences	Dr. NING obtained her MD in 1985 and PhD in 1993 from Tongji Medical School and had her postdoctoral training and research experience from 1994 to 2000 in University of Toronto. She then subsequently appointed as the full professor in 2000 and the department chair since 2006 in Tongji hospital.
Honors and Awards	Dr. Ning is the Vice President, Chinese Society of Infectious Disease CMA; Global Council Member, International Association for the Study of Liver (IASL); Member for APASL ACLF Study Group and International Symposium on Viral Hepatitis and Liver Disease (ISVHLD) Global Hepatitis Summit (GHS); Executive Committee Member for Coalition to Eradicate Viral Hepatitis in Asia Pacific (CEVHAP)



Dr. Masashi Ninomiya

Assistant professor Division of Gastroenterology Tohoku University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Clinical research of Hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	2009 Ph.D. Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine 2002 M.D. Tohoku University School of Medicine 2017- Assistant professor in the Tohoku University Hospital 2016-2017 Assistant professor in the Tohoku Medical Mega Bank Organization 2014-2016 Research fellow in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Mayo Clinic, Rochester
Honors and Awards	2014 The Uehara Memorial Foundation 2013 Japan Digestive Disease Week, Poster award 2011 Liver Forum in Kyoto, Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma investigator award



Dr. Naoshi Nishida

Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Diagnosis and treatment of Hepatocellular carcinoma, Molecular biology, Epigenetics, Tumor suppressor gene, Tumor immunity, Artificial intelligence, Database science

Educational and Career Experiences

- Professor, Faculty of Medicine, Kindai University (2021-)
- Assistant Professor, Faculty of Medicine, Kindai University (2011-2021)
- Assistant Professor/Lecturer, Kyoto university Graduate School of Medicine (2006-2011)
- Research Associate, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas (2004-2006)
- Assistant Professor, Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine (1997-2004)
- Researcher, Institute of Production Development (1996-1997)
- Ph. D. Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University (1993)
- M.D. Osaka Medical School (1985)

Honors and Awards

- Hepatology Research High Citation Award, The Japan Society of Hepatology (2022)
- Basic Plenary, 82th DDW (2012)
- Poster of distinction, 81th DDW (2011)
- Presidential Award for the 45th Meeting, Japan Society of Hepatology (2009)
- Japan Society of Hepatology-Kanmuri Award, CHUGAI Award (2008)
- Presidential Plenary, 78th DDW (2008)
- The best Award for Clinical Science, The Kyoto conference for adult disease (2003)
- Poster of distinction, 71th DDW (2001)
- Research Award, Hamanako Symposium (1994)
- Research Award, Japan Society of Hepatology (1993)



Dr. Kazuhiro Nouse

Chief Department of Gastroenterology Okayama City Hospital,
Japan

Areas of interest

Translational and Clinical Research of Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences

Dr. Kazuhiro Nouse graduated Okayama University Medical School in 1986. He is a chief of the Division of Gastroenterology at Okayama City Hospital, and a clinical professor of Okayama University. His broad interests include translational and clinical research regarding hepatocellular carcinoma. He has authored more than 260 original scientific manuscripts and introduced many new techniques for radiofrequency ablation. He is a director of Asian Conference on Tumor Ablation. He is also a councilor of The Japan Society of Hepatology, Japanese Society of Gastroenterology and Liver Cancer Study Group of Japan and Japan Academy of Tumor Ablation, and a committee member of General Rules for the Clinical and Pathological Study of Primary Liver Cancer and of Clinical Practice Guidelines for Hepatocellular Carcinoma in Japan. He is serving as an editorial board member of “Liver Cancer”, “Clinical Journal of Gastroenterology” etc.

Honors and Awards

1989 Nakasone fellowship (10-year comprehensive strategy against cancer, Ministry of Health)
1995 Research Grant of Kanae Foundation for the Promotion of Medical Science
2001 Research Grant of Okayama Institute of Health Foundation
2001 Research Grant of Okayama Medical Foundation
2006, 2008 Encouraging Prize of Hiroshima City hospital
2009 Research Grant of Eli Lilly
2012 Grant from Japan Science and Technology Agency
2009-2010, 2010-2013, 2010-2013, 2013-2017, 2014-2016, 2015-2017, 2019-2021 Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research



Dr. Sadahisa Ogasawara

Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine,
School of Medicine, Chiba University
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Education Chiba University School of Medicine, Chiba, Japan (2004)</p> <p>Career Assistant professor, Department of Medicine and Clinical Oncology, Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University (2013–2016) Assistant professor, Clinical research center, Chiba University Hospital (2016–2018) Assistant professor, Translational Research and Development Center, Chiba University Hospital (2018–2022) Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, School of Medicine, Chiba University (2022–Present)</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>The Best Presenter Award in International Session (JDDW 2018) Young Investigator Award (JDDW 2019) Gilead's Research Scholars Program Liver Disease Awards (2021)</p>



Dr. Chikara Ogawa

Director Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Takamatsu Red Cross Hospital
Japan

Academic Background:

1993-1999 M.D., Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
2001-2005 Ph.D., Kindai University Faculty of Medicine

Major Academic Appointments:

April 1999-May 1999	Resident, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
June 1999-March 2001	Resident, Department of Internal Medicine Nishi Kobe Medical Center
April 2001-March 2005	Ph.D. course of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
April 2005-May 2007	Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Nara Hospital Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
June 2007-May 2011	Staff Member, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Takamatsu Red Cross Hospital
June 2011- March 2023	Vice Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Takamatsu Red Cross Hospital
April 2023 – present	Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Takamatsu Red Cross Hospital

Board Certified Specialist in Japan:

Abdominal Ultrasonography, Hepatology, Gastroenterology, Endoscopy, Internal Medicine

Subspecialty:

1. RFA in liver
2. Systemic therapy for HCC
3. Contrast-enhanced sonography & fusion imaging
4. Interventional Radiology (TACE, PTCD, BRTO, etc.)
5. Endoscopy in diagnosis and treatment (EIS, EVL, etc.)

Honors and Awards:

Kansai hepatic blood flow dynamic imaging research conference: Best title award

Invited Speaker at International Conferences:

2015 ASAUT (Asian Symposium on Advanced Ultrasound Technology) , Taipei, Taiwan

2017 ACTA (Asian Conference on Tumor Ablation) , Guangzhou, China

2018 ACTA (Asian Conference on Tumor Ablation) , Chennai, India

2020 TATA (Taiwan Academy of Tumor Ablation) , Taipei, Taiwan

2022 APASL Oncology (The Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver) , Takamatsu, Japan



Dr. Takeshi Ogura

Professor Endoscopy Center, Osaka Medical and Pharmaceutical University Hospital

Japan

Areas of interest Interventional Endoscopic Ultrasound, Diagnosis for pancreato-biliary disease, Gene analysis, ERCP, Endoscopy

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education • Work Experience

March 2004 Graduated from Faculty of Medicine, Osaka Medical College

April 2004 Medical Intern at Osaka Medical College Hospital

April 2006 Resident Doctor at Department of Gastroenterology, Osaka Medical College Hospital

April 2009 Resident Doctor at Department of Gastroenterology, Aichi Cancer Center Hospital

April 2011 Research associate at 2nd Department of Internal Medicine, Osaka Medical College

May 2016 Lecturer at 2nd Department of Internal Medicine, Osaka Medical College

April 2018 Associate prof. at Premier Development Research of Medicine, Osaka Medical College

April 2019 Associated prof. at 2nd Department of Internal Medicine, Osaka Medical College

Jan 2023 Professor at Endoscopy Center, Osaka Medical and Pharmaceutical University Hospital

Affiliated Academic Society, Associated Editor, Editorial Board, etc:

- BMC Gastroenterology Associated editor
- Digestive Endoscopy open Associated editor
- J Hepatobiliary Pancreato Sci Editorial Board Member
- J Clin Medicine Editorial Board Member
- World Journal of Gastroenterology Editorial Board Member
- Endoscopic Ultrasound Editorial Board Member
- Fellow of Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
- Board Certified Member and Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
- Board Certified Fellow of the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society, HQ Councilor, Kinki Chapter Councilor
- Board Certified Fellow and Kinki Chapter Councilor of The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
- Board Certified General Clinical Oncologist of The Japanese Society of Medical Oncology
- Board Certified Trainer of Biliary Endoscopic Treatment of the Japan Biliary Association
- The Japan Pancreas Society
- The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine



Honors and Awards

- 2018 Digestive Endoscopy Best reviewer Award
- 2018 Best doctor in Osaka Medical College
- 2018 Digestive Endoscopy Academic Award
- 2018 J Hepatobiliary pancreatic society Internal Exchange Award
- 2021 J Hepatobiliary pancreatic society Internal Exchange Award
- 2023 The Best Presenter Award in International Session (JDDW2023)
- Impact factor 1361.291 (231 English literatures. 198 First author)



Dr. Hiromasa Ohira

Professor and Chairman of Gastroenterology, Fukushima Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest Autoimmune liver disease

Educational and **Education:**
Career Experiences Fukushima Medical University School of Medicine (1981-1987)

Career Experiences:

1987-1991 Clinical Fellow, Department of Internal
Medicine 2, Fukushima Medical University
1991-1993 Research Fellow, Department of Internal
Medicine 2, Kurume University
1993-1997 Assistant professor, Department of
Internal Medicine 2, Fukushima Medical University
1997- 2005 lecturer, Department of Internal Medicine
2, Fukushima Medical University
2005-2007 Associate professor, Department of
Internal Medicine 2, Fukushima Medical University
2007-present Professor, Department of
Gastroenterology, Fukushima Medical University

Honors and Awards Hepatology Research Award of the Japan Society of Hepatology (2001)
Young Investigator's Award of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine (2004)



Dr. Masahiro Ohira

Assistant Professor, Medical Center for Translational and Clinical Research, Department of Gastroenterological and Transplant Surgery, Hiroshima University
Japan

Areas of interest	Liver transplantation, Hepatocellular carcinoma Innate immunity, Natural killer cells
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2000 School of medicine, Hiroshima University (M.D.), Japan</p> <p>2009 Department of Surgery, Division of Frontier Medical Science, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Hiroshima University (Ph.D.), Japan</p> <p>2009 Research Associate 3, Department of Surgery, Division of Liver and Gastrointestinal Transplantation, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, Florida</p> <p>2011 Research Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Division of Liver and Gastrointestinal Transplantation, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, Miami, Florida</p> <p>2013- Assistant Professor, Medical Center for Translational and Clinical Research, Department of Gastroenterological and Transplant Surgery, Hiroshima University, JAPAN</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2006 World Transplant Congress Young Investigator Award, Boston, MA</p> <p>2007 Hiroshima University President Award, Hiroshima, Japan</p> <p>2008 Hiroshima University 21st Century COE Program High Excellent Award, Hiroshima, Japan</p> <p>2008 Hiroshima University Excellent Student Scholarship, Hiroshima, Japan</p> <p>2009 American Transplant Congress Young Investigator Award, Boston, MA</p> <p>2009 The Naito Foundation Subsidy for Dispatch of Young Researchers Abroad, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>2009 The Mochida Memorial Foundation for Medical and Pharmaceutical Research Subsidy for Inter-Institute Researches, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>2010 Alumni association KOUJIN of Department of Medicine at Hiroshima University Award, Hiroshima, Japan</p> <p>2011 Annual Scientific Exchange Young Innovator Award, San Antonio, TX</p> <p>2014 International Liver Transplant Society Young Investigator Award, London, UK</p> <p>2016 Asian Transplant Week Best Abstract Award (Silver), Seoul, Korea</p>



Dr. Hiroshi Ohyama

Lecturer Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Pancreaticobiliary malignancies, Endoscopic treatment, Genomic analysis
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>2022-present Lecturer, Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2021-2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2018-2021 Researcher, Genome Analysis Center, Yamanashi Central Hospital</p> <p>2017-2018 Specially Appointed Assistant Professor, Department of Medical Oncology, Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University</p> <p>2014-2017 Specially Appointed Assistant Professor, Department of General Medical Science, Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University</p> <p>2014 Ph.D., Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University</p> <p>2012-2014 Fellow, Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2010-2011 Fellow, Department of Gastroenterology, Numazu City Hospital</p> <p>2009-2010 Fellow, Department of Internal Medicine, Kamitsuga General Hospital</p> <p>2008-2009 Senior Resident, Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2008-2008 Senior Resident, Department of Gastroenterology, Chiba Medical Center</p> <p>2007-2008 Resident, Matsudo City General Hospital</p> <p>2006-2007 Resident, Chiba University Hospital</p> <p>2006 M.D., School of Medicine, Chiba University</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2023 Grant programs, the Medical and Welfare Network Chiba</p> <p>2023 Grant programs, the Chiba Foundation for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</p> <p>2022 Research Encouragement Award, the Pancreas Research Foundation of Japan</p> <p>2021 Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists, the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science KAKENHI</p> <p>2019 Young Investigator Award, JDDW 2019</p>



Dr. Takeshi Okanoue

Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Liver Disease Control,
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Japan

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education:

1963-1969 Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

Postgraduate Training and Employment:

1969-1971 Resident of Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

1980-1981 Research fellow of Department of Pathology at University of
California, Davis

198-1989 Assistant professor of Third Department of Internal Medicine,
Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

1989-2002 Associate professor of Third Department of Internal Medicine,
Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

2002-2007 Professor & Chairman of Third Department of Internal Medicine,
Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

2007-2014 Director of Hospital, Saiseikai Suita Hospital, Professor of Kyoto
Prefectural University of Medicine

2014- Honorary Director of Saiseikai Suita Hospital, Professor of Kyoto
Prefectural University of Medicine



Dr. Kazuyoshi Ohkawa

Director, Department of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Oncology,
Osaka International Cancer Institute.
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular carcinoma, clinical.

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education

From 1983 to 1988, Osaka University School of Medicine.

Work experience (for the last 10 years)

From 2013 to 2014, Associate professor, Department of Dendritic Cell Biology and Clinical Applications, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine.

From 2014 (up to now)

Director, Department of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Oncology, Osaka International Cancer Institute (formerly Osaka Medical Center for Cancer and Cardiovascular Diseases).



Dr. Takamasa Ohki

Director, Shioda Memorial Hospital, Department of Hepatology and Cyber-knife
Japan

2001 March graduated Gunma university school of medicine (MD)

2008 March graduated Tokyo university graduate school of internal medicine (Ph.D)

[Awards]

2006 The Japan society of hepatology east congress: Presidential Award

2007 APASL Kyoto: Young Investigator Award

2008 APASL Hong-Kong: Best Poster Award

2014 Certificated as one of “best doctors 2014-2015” in Japan.

2016 APASL Tokyo: Young Investigator Award

2018 Certificated as one of “best doctors 2018-2019” in Japan.

2020 AASLD Distinct Poster

2020 Certificated as one of “best doctors 2020-2021” in Japan.

[Representative articles]

Obesity Is an Independent Risk Factor for Hepatocellular Carcinoma Development in Chronic Hepatitis C Patients

Clinical gastroenterology and hepatology (CGH)

Volume 6, Issue 4, April 2008, Pages 459–464

Visceral fat accumulation is an independent risk factor for hepatocellular carcinoma recurrence after curative treatment in patients with suspected NASH

Gut

Volume 58, Issue 6, January 2009, Pages 839-844

CT With Hepatic Arteriportography as a Pretreatment Examination for Hepatocellular Carcinoma Patients: A Randomized Controlled Trial

The American Journal of Gastroenterology (AJG)

Volume 108, April 2013, Pages 1305-1313

And many others

[Specialty]

Treatment of liver neoplasm including hepatocellular carcinoma and metastatic liver tumors.

Radio-frequency ablation

Trans-arterial chemo-embolization

Stereotactic radiation

Chemo-therapy of HCC



Dr. Masao Omata

President, Yamanashi Central and Kita Hospitals

Professor Emeritus, The University of Tokyo

Masao Omata, MD, has made an effort to revitalize the APASL (Asian Pacific association for the study of the Liver) with Dr. S. Sarin and others for the last 10 years. He is a Co-Editor in Chief of the Hepatology International, an official journal of APASL. He graduated from Chiba University School of Medicine (Dr. Okuda), and continued his training at Yale University (Dr. G Klaskin) and in the Liver Unit at University of Southern California (Dr. RL Peters). After 6 years in US, he returned to the Department of Medicine at Chiba University in 1989, and started molecular biological study on Hepatitis B virus.

In 1992, he became Chairman of Second Department of International Medicine at University of Tokyo, Japan and then subsequently became chairman of Department of Gastroenterology. Under his leadership, the Department of Gastroenterology had become one of the foremost centers in its field.

Now, he is the president of the two hospitals at Yamanashi, west of Tokyo, where, although scenic place with Mt. Fuji, hepatitis virus infection is epidemic and his homeland. He and his colleague have published 1,257 articles in English Literature including, NEJM 5, Lancet 6, Ann Int Med 6, Hepatology 59, Gastroenterology 43. The total impact factor is 13,354 and 60,068 citations with H-index of 122 as of July 1st, 2022.



Dr. Necati Örmeci

Vice Rector of İstanbul Health and Technology University. The Head of Department of Internal Medicine and Gastroentero-hepatology
Turkey

Areas of interest

Hepatitis B and Delta, Hepatitis C
Liver cirrhosis and portal hypertension
Hepatocellular carcinoma
Hydatid Disease

Educational and Career Experiences

I had graduated Ankara University Medical School in 1976. I spend my all-educational life at the same university until 2019.
I had studied at Tokyo Womens Medical School in 1986 and Tokyo National Cancer center in 1990 one and half year.
I had studied one month at Cleveland Clinique at Miami/USA in 1999.

Honors and Awards

I had gut treatment method award in APASL annual meeting which was held at Manila/Philipinnes in 2006.
I had gut Behçet Disease Research Award in 1999.
I am honored with Permanent Member of Turkish Sciences of Academy in 2012.



Dr. Motoyuki Otsuka

Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Academic Field of Medicine,
Density and Pharmaceutical Sciences Okayama University
Japan

Areas of interest	Molecular biology in Gastroenterology
Educational and Career Experiences	1994 M.D., Faculty of Medicine, The University of Tokyo 2002 Ph.D., Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo 1994~1995 Clinical Resident in Internal Medicine, The University of Tokyo Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 1995~1997 Clinical Resident in Internal Medicine, The Asahi General Hospital, Chiba, Japan 2002~2004 Medical staff, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo 2004~2009 Research Associate, Department of Immunology and Microbial Sciences, The Scripps Research Institute, San Diego, CA, USA 2009~2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo 2023~ Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Okayama University, Japan
Honors and Awards	2003 Hepatology Research Award (Japanese Society of Hepatology) 2011 Japanese Society of Hepatology 4th CHUGAI Award 2012 25th Liver Forum (East) Taisho-Toyama Award



Dr. Hee Chul Park

Professor Department of Radiation Oncology,
Samsung Medical Center, Sungkyunkwan University School of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest	My research interests include the clinical application of cutting-edge technologies in the field of medical physics, bio-medical engineering and radiation biology for the radiation treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma.
Educational and Career Experiences	Education: (1992) MD, Yonsei University College of Medicine (2004) PhD (Radiation Oncology), Yonsei University Graduate School Careers: (2006) Honorable Visiting Instructor, Hokkaido University Hospital, Japan (2006~2007) Visiting Scientist, MD Anderson Cancer Center, USA (2016~Present) Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology, Samsung Medical Center, Sungkyunkwan University School of Medicine, Korea
Honors and Awards	(2023.11~Present) President, The Korean Society for Radiation Oncology



Dr. Joong-Won Park

Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Liver Disease Control,
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Japan

Joong-Won Park is a Director of the Liver/Liver Cancer Center, a Director of the Cancer Integrative Healing Center, and an Invited Professor of the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Myongji Hospital, Hanyang University Medical Center. He was a Principal Scientist at the National Cancer Center (NCC), Korea, a Professor at the Graduate School of Cancer Science and Policy, NCC Korea, and a director of the Onco-Innovation Unit NCC Korea, the Head of the Center for Liver Cancer, NCC, Korea, and the Head of Translational and Clinical Research at the NCC Research Institute. Dr. Park completed his Medical degree at Seoul National University, followed by a residency in Internal Medicine and a Clinical Fellowship in Hepatology at Seoul National University Hospital. He achieved a Ph.D. in Medicine at Seoul National University. He was an Assistant and Associate Professor in the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Chung-Ang University Medical College. He was a Visiting Scientist at the Center for Basic Research in Digestive Diseases, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, USA.

His research interests include the diagnosis and management of primary liver cancer, hepatocarcinogenesis, and viral hepatitis. He has led and participated in many clinical trials and published more than 200 research papers on liver cancer, cirrhosis, and hepatitis, which have been cited more than 30,000 times.

He was a Chair of the Scientific Committee of Asian-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Experts (APPLE) 2016-2022, and was a Governing Board member of the International Liver Cancer Association (ILCA) 2016-2020. He has been the Chair of the Guideline Committee for the Hepatocellular Carcinoma Management of the Korea Liver Cancer Association-NCC Korea since 2003. He was the President of the Korea Liver Cancer Association (KLCA) 2017-2018. He received the Medical Research Award from the National Academy of Medicine of Korea and the Medical Achievement Award from the Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea in 2021.



Dr. Young Nyun Park

Professor Yonsei University College of Medicine
Korea

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular carcinoma, cholangiocarcinoma, tumor microenvironment, cancer stem cell, liver pathology
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1987: College of Medicine, Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea</p> <p>1990: Master of Medical Science, Graduate school, College of Medicine, Yonsei University</p> <p>1994: Ph.D. of Medical Science, Graduate school, College of Medicine, Yonsei University</p> <p>1994: Visiting Associate, Department of Pathology, Massachusetts General Hospital, USA</p> <p>1995: Visiting Fellow, Department of Pathology, Mount Sinai Medical Center, USA</p> <p>1996 ~ present: Professor, Department of Pathology, Yonsei University College of Medicine</p> <p>2008-2012: Vice Dean of Research Affairs, Yonsei University College of Medicine</p> <p>2012-2014: Vice Dean of Graduate Affairs, Yonsei University College of Medicine</p> <p>2013-2017: Avison Distinguished Professor, Yonsei University College of Medicine</p> <p>2016-2020: Chairman, Department of Pathology Yonsei University College of Medicine</p> <p>2021-2022: President, The Korean Liver Cancer Association</p> <p>2023: Hosting chair, Asia-Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert Seoul meeting</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Distinguished Research Awards, Yonsei University (1999, 2000, 2007, 2011, 2022).</p> <p>Gegum Awards (Distinguished Research Awards), The Korean Society of Pathologists (2000).</p> <p>The Best Research Awards, The Korean Society of Pathologists (2006).</p> <p>The Best Research Awards, The Korean Association for the Study of the Liver (2002).</p> <p>Bowon Awards (The Best Research Awards), Yonsei University (2010).</p> <p>Byung Kyu Park and Byung Soo Kim Awards for Cancer Research, Yonsei University (2011).</p> <p>Yonsei Academic Award (2012).</p> <p>Yuhan Academic Awards, Seoul Medical Association (2013).</p> <p>Sung Jae Awards, Yonsei University (2017).</p> <p>The Best Research Awards, the Korean Liver Cancer Association (2020).</p> <p>Yonsei Award for Medicine (2023).</p>



Dr. Diana A. Payawal

Chairman Department of Internal Medicine Fatima University Medical Center,
 Chairman Hepatology Committee Cardinal Santos Medical Center
 Philippines

Areas of interest

Liver cancer, MAFLD, Liver Cirrhosis, Ablation therapy for liver cancer
 Leadership in Medicine

Educational and Career Experiences

Educational Experiences

- Diploma, Leadership in Medicine, Harvard Medical School (HMS scholarship)
- Diploma, Tropical Medicine and Infectious Diseases, SouthEast Asian Ministry of Education Organization (SEAMEO Scholarship)
- Fellowship, Hepatology, Interventional Sonology and Digestive Endoscopy, University of Tokyo, Tokyo Japan (MOMBUSHO Scholarship)
- Fellowship training in Gastroenterology and Digestive Endoscopy. University of Santo Tomas, Philippines

Present Career Positions

- Director, Asian Pacific Digestive Week Federation 2024-2026
- Chairperson, World Congress of Internal Medicine-MANILA 2028
- Member, Steering Committee Asian Pacific Study of the Liver
- Associate Editor, Hepatology International
- Editorial Board, World Journal of Gastroenterology, Philippine Journal of Internal Medicine

Honors and Awards

Past Positions:

- o Immediate Past President Philippine College of Physicians
- o Past President, Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver
- o Past President and Founder Hepatology Society of the Philippines
- o Past President Philippine Society of Gastroenterology



As an accomplished and compassionate Medical Professional, Dr. Diana Alcantara-Payawal is dedicated to delivering exceptional healthcare services with a focus on patient-centric care and continuous improvement. With over 20 years of experience in Gastroenterology and Hepatology, she was the Past President of the Philippine Society of Gastroenterology and one of the founders and Past President of the Hepatology Society of the Philippines, the leading organization for liver diseases in the Philippines. Her passionate work on Viral Hepatitis, MAFLD, and Liver cancer has made her establish centers in the Urban and community centers that aim to enhance awareness of Gastroenterology and Liver diseases. She is a Professor II and Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine at Fatima University Medical Center and Chair of the Hepatology Unit of Cardinal Santos Medical Center. She is instrumental in holding the successful APASL conference in Manila, a culminating activity being the first woman President of the Asia Pacific Association for the Study of Liver (APASL) in 2016 and now as a Steering Committee Member. Recently, she rose to become President of the Philippine College of Physicians, with the task of navigating the possibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic, earning the Presidential Award for the organization. Her transformational leadership during the COVID pandemic produced Innovative projects to anticipate other changes and increase resilience in the face of uncertainty, especially for internists and primary care physicians. These projects set foot as she chairs the coming World Congress of Internal Medicine in 2028. Being an enthusiastic medical professional with a profound commitment to advancing healthcare through cutting-edge research and academic contributions, she has merged clinical expertise with a passion for research, contributing significantly to the understanding and improvement of gastroenterology and Liver diseases in the Philippines. She has been part of multiple local and Regional Clinical Practice Guidelines, co-crafted the Philippine Physician's Act, and is a member of the Task Force of the Viral Elimination Program in the Asian Pacific Region and the Philippines. Her latest task is being appointed as a member of the Board of Directors of Asia Pacific Digestive Federation



Dr. Elizabeth Powell

Clinical Director, QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute
Director, Centre for Liver Disease Research, Translational Research Institute
Hepatologist, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Princess Alexandra Hospital
Australia

Areas of interest	Metabolic associated fatty liver disease
Educational and Career Experiences	MBBS (Hons 1), FRACP, PhD, FRCP Lond, FAASLD Past member of the Executive of the Australian Liver Association, the Clinical Research Committee of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases and the Editorial Board of Hepatology
Honors and Awards	Current: Eminent Staff Specialist in Hepatology Previous Honors and Awards: NHMRC Practitioner Fellowship (three renewals) Queensland Government Health Research Fellowship Menzies Scholarship to study at Oxford University, UK



Dr. Madhumita Premkumar

Associate Professor of Hepatology Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER)
India

Areas of interest

Chronic hepatitis C

Intensive care hepatology with special interest in cirrhotic cardiomyopathy, hepatic encephalopathy, hemodynamics, ACLF and coagulation dysfunction

Educational and Career Experiences

Employment

Institution	Post	Years
PGIMER, India	Associate Professor	2020- until
PGIMER, India	Assistant Professor	2017-2020
Institute of Liver and Biliary Science, New Delhi	Post DM	Jan 2017-July 2017
Institute of Liver and Biliary Science, New Delhi	Senior Resident	2013-2016
Department of Medicine, Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi	Senior Resident	2013-2013
Scientific Expedition to Antarctica, National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research, NCAOR, headland SADA, Goa	Medical Officer	2010-2011

Honors and Awards

1. Expedition Team Member of the 30th Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica, Wintering Over team in 2010-2012. (ISEA, NCAOR)
2. Awarded Hepatitis Elimination Champion on World Hepatitis Day 2019 by the Coalition for Global Hepatitis Elimination
3. Member of NAMS
4. ISG OP Memorial Early Career Award-2023
5. Numerous Investigator awards by national and international associations.
6. I am the Deputy Editor of the Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hepatology, the official journal of the Indian National Association for Study of the Liver since 2017.
7. I am the managing editor of the Indian Journal of Gastroenterology since 2023.
8. I am an Associate Editor of JGH Open since 2023.



Dr. Xiaolong Qi

Founder & Chair, Liver Health Consortium in China (CHESS)
 Founding Editor-in-Chief, Portal Hypertension & Cirrhosis (PH&C)
 Chair, National Medical Center for Infectious Diseases - Portal Hypertension Alliance of China
 Chair, Committee of Portal Hypertension, China Association for Promotion of Health Science and Technology
 Vice-Chair, AASLD Portal Hypertension SIG Global Outreach Subcommittee
 Assistant Dean & Chief, Center of Portal Hypertension, Zhongda Hospital, Southeast University
 China

Areas of interest	Research and development, as well as transformation of innovative technologies for diagnosing and treating portal hypertension and cirrhosis.
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Apr. 2022 – now Professor, Zhongda Hospital, Southeast University, Nanjing, China</p> <p>Apr. 2019 - Mar. 2022 Professor, The First Hospital of Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China</p> <p>May 2017 - Apr. 2019 Senior Research Fellow, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA</p> <p>Jan. 2016 - Mar. 2019 Associate Professor, Southern Medical University, Guangzhou, China</p> <p>Nov. 2013 - Nov. 2014 Post-Doctoral, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA</p> <p>Sep. 2013 - Nov. 2015 Medical Doctor, Tongji University, Shanghai, China</p> <p>Sep. 2014 - Nov. 2014 Clinical Observation, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA</p> <p>Sep. 2007 - Jun. 2013 Bachelor of Medicine, Tongji University, Shanghai, China</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>The Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver 2023 (Feb. 2023, Seoul, Korea) Rising Star Award</p> <p>Radiological Society of North America 2017 (Nov. 2017, Chicago, USA) Research Fellow Award</p> <p>United European Gastroenterology Week 2017 (Oct. 2017, Barcelona, Spain) Oral Paper Prize</p> <p>International Gastric Cancer Congress 2017 (Apr. 2017, Beijing, China) Best Oral Award</p> <p>International Digestive Disease Forum 2013 (Jun. 2013, Hong Kong) Young Investigator Award</p> <p>Annual Meeting of the European Association for the Study of the Liver 2013 (Apr. 2013, Amsterdam, Netherland) Young Investigator Bursary</p>



Dr. Hui-Ying Rao

Professor of Medicine Director, Peking University Hepatology Institute Deputy Director,
Clinical Trial Institution Peking University People's Hospital
China

Areas of interest	Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, Fatty Liver Diseases, Liver Cirrhosis, and Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	Huiying Rao carried out her medical and research training at Peking University Health Science Center before being appointed as lecturer in liver diseases in 2006. Huiying Rao is a chief physician, professor and doctoral supervisor in Hepatology, and director of Peking University Hepatology Institute, deputy director of clinical trial institution in Peking University People's Hospital. Huiying Rao has been a committee member of Chinese Society of Hepatology for the Chinese Medical Association, vice president of Committee for Beijing Society of Hepatology and Beijing Technological Nova since 2010, the Editorial Board Member for Chinese Journal of Hepatology and Journal of Clinical Hepatology.
Honors and Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Science and Technology Award, Ministry of Education, China2. Chinese Medical Science and Technology Award3. Huaxia Medical Science and Technology Award4. Teacher Scholarship of Peking University5. Outstanding Staff Award of Peking University



Dr. Hyunchul Rhim

Professor Department of Radiology Samsung Medical Center, Sungkyunkwan University
Korea

Areas of interest

Liver ablation
Liver imaging

Educational and Career Experiences

1979~85 Hanyang University, School of Medicine, Seoul, Korea
1985~88 Hanyang University Hospital, Dept of Radiology, Resident
1992~1993 Asan Medical Center, Abdominal and Interventional Radiology,
Fellow
1993~2004 Hanyang University Hospital, Instructor ~ Associate Professor
2005~ Samsung Medical Center, Radiology, Professor

Honors and Awards

Co-founder of Asian Conference on Tumor Ablation (ACTA)
Hosting Chair of ACTA 2016
President of Korean Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (2022-2023)
President of Korean Association of Liver Cancer (2022-2023)
Co-Hosting Chair of Asia Pacific Primary Liver Cancer Expert (APPLE) Meeting
2023



Dr. Yutaka Saito

Director of Endoscopy Center Chief of Endoscopy Division National Cancer Center Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

1. Chromo-magnification Colonoscopy.
2. Endoscopic Mucosal Resection and Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection for early gastrointestinal cancer.
3. Colon capsule endoscopy and artificial intelligence diagnosis for colorectal neoplasia.
4. Full-thickness resection and closure technique and device developments.

Educational and Career Experiences

1985-1992 School of Medicine, Gunma University, Japan
1992-1996 Postgraduate course of Medicine, Gunma University, Japan
2001-2003: Dept of Gastroenterology, Mitsui Memorial Hospital, Staff/Chief
2003-2012: Endoscopy Division, National Cancer Center Hospital Staff/Chief
(2007~2012)
2012-present: Director of Endoscopy Center, Chief of Endoscopy Division,
National Cancer Center Hospital

Honors and Awards

2023: Best Reviewer Award for GIE (Gastrointestinal Endoscopy).
WILEY Top Cited Article 2021-2022, DIGESTIVE ENDOSCOPY:
Colonoscopy screening and surveillance guidelines. (2021 May;33(4):486-519)
2022-present: WEO (World Endoscopy Organization), Secretary General
Outstanding Reviewer for GIE: Gastrointestinal Endoscopy
2015-2016, 2016-2017
2011: UEGW Best Poster Award



Dr. Michiie Sakamoto

Dean, School of Medicine, International University of Health and Welfare
Japan

Areas of interest Molecular Pathology
 Tumor Pathology
 Liver Pathology
 Pathology Informatics

Educational and 1985 M. D., Keio University School of Medicine
Career Experiences 1989 D. Med. Sci., Keio University Graduate School of Medicine
 1989 - Research member, Pathology Division, National Cancer Center Research
 Institute
 1996 - Head of Section, Pathology Division, National Cancer Center Research
 Institute
 1996 - 1997 Visiting Research Fellow, The Burnham Institute (La Jolla, CA,
 USA)
 1999 - Chief, Pathology Division, National Cancer Center Research Institute
 2002 - Professor, Department of Pathology, Keio University School of Medicine
 2023 - Dean, School of Medicine, International University of Health and Welfare

Honors and Awards President, the 57th Annual Meeting of the Liver Cancer Study Group of Japan,
 2021
 The Oda Award (The Japan Society of Hepatology Award), 2022
 President, the 26th Annual Meeting of the Japan Society of Hepatology, JDDW
 2022



Dr. Naoya Sakamoto

Professor/Chairman Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Faculty and Graduate School of Medicine Hokkaido University
Japan

Areas of interest

Molecular biology of hepatitis viruses
Clinical studies on viral hepatitis, NAFLD and HCCs.

Educational and
Career Experiences

1987 Graduated from School of Medicine
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
1987 Second Department of Internal Medicine
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
1994 Research fellowship at Division of
Gastroenterology-Hepatology,
University of Connecticut, USA
2012 Professor/Chairman at Department of
Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Hokkaido University School of Medicine

Honors and Awards

- Research Encouragement Award of the Japan • Society of Hepatology (2011)
- Hokkaido University President's Award for Distinct Education and Research (2020)
- Oda Award of the Japan Society of Hepatology (2021)
- Hokkaido Medical Association Award (2023)



Dr. Naoki Sasahira

Department Director of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Medicine, Cancer Institute Hospital of Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research
Japan

Areas of interest Hepato-biliary-pancreatic oncology
 Endoscopic intervention for biliary and pancreatic disease

Educational and The University of Tokyo, 1989-1995.
Career Experiences The University of Tokyo Hospital, 1995-1996.
 Asahi General Hospital, 1996-1998.
 The University of Tokyo Hospital, 1998-2002.
 JR Tokyo General Hospital, 2002-2004.
 The University of Tokyo Hospital, 2004-2012.
 Tokyo Takanawa Hospital, 2012-2014.
 Cancer Institute Hospital of JFCR, 2014-Present.

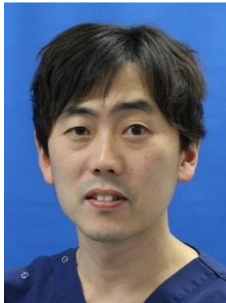
Honors and Awards Multicenter research grants, Japanese Foundation for Research and Promotion of Endoscopy, 2012



Dr. Takashi Sasaki

Division Director of Minimally Invasive Treatment, Department of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Medicine, Cancer Institute Hospital, Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research
Japan

Areas of interest	<p>Anticancer therapy for HBP malignancy</p> <p>Minimally invasive treatment for HBP malignancy</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p><u>Education:</u></p> <p>1995-2001 Tokyo University School of Medicine, awarded M.D.</p> <p>2004-2009 Post-graduate school, The University of Tokyo, awarded Ph.D.</p> <p><u>Career:</u></p> <p>2001-2002 The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Internal Medicine</p> <p>2002-2003 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Dept. of Internal Medicine</p> <p>2003-2004 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center, Dept. of Gastroenterology</p> <p>2004-2007 The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology</p> <p>2007-2008 Mitsui Memorial Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology</p> <p>2008-2014 The University of Tokyo Hospital, Dept. of Gastroenterology</p> <p>2014- Cancer Institute Hospital, Dept. of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Medicine</p>
Honors and Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Best Presentation Award (Oral Presentation) at the 49th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Clinical Oncology. “Multicenter randomized controlled trial of GEM monotherapy versus GEM/S-1 combination therapy for advanced biliary tract cancer.” 2. The 25th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Award. “Clinical outcomes of secondary gastroduodenal self-expandable metallic stent placement by stent-in-stent technique for malignant gastric outlet obstruction.”



Dr. Masaya Sato

Lecturer Department of Clinical Laboratory Medicine Graduate School of Medicine
The University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest Machine learning, Hepatocellular carcinoma,
Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis, Radiofrequency ablation

Educational and **Education**
Career Experiences Sapporo Medical University, Department of Medicine, MD, 2005
The University of Tokyo, Graduate School of Medicine PhD, 2012
Work History

Lecturer
Department of Clinical Laboratory Medicine, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo (2020-present)
Assistant Professor
Department of Clinical Laboratory Medicine, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo (2017-2020)
Medical Staff
Department of Clinical Laboratory Medicine, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo (2013-2016)
Medical Staff
Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo (2012-2013)
Resident
Department of internal medicine, Mitsui Memorial Hospital (2007-2009)
The University of Tokyo Hospital (2005-2007)

Honors and Awards The 46th Young Investigator Award of EASL.
The 26th Incentive Award of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology.
Incentive Award of the Japan Society of Hepatology 2018.
Best Presentation Award of the 4th Japanese Association for Medical Artificial Intelligence



Dr. Shinpei Sato

Vice-president Gastroenterology Sato Clinic
Japan

Areas of interest RFA
 Liver cancer
 Ultrasonography

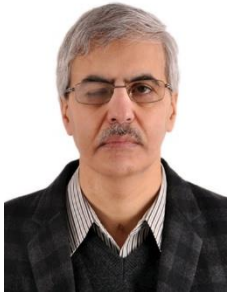
Educational and Career Experiences I graduated at Toho university school of medicine in 1992..
 I worked at Tokyo university hospital during from 1992 to 2008.
 From 2008, I have been worked in kyoundo Hospital which is afferent hospital of Tokyo university hospital.
 My specialty is gastroenterology and hepatology, especially, Minimum-invasive treatment(PEIT, RFA, TAE) for hepatic neoplasms.
 I have been performed RFA over 2000 patients at Tokyo university and Kyoundo Hospital during 25 years. I also perform hepatic angiography and enhanced ultrasonography.
 From 2018, I have worked in Sato Clinic and Kyoundo Hospital.



Dr. Yudhtana Sattawatthamrong

Chairperson, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Bumrungrad International Hospital,
 Co-founder of the Thai Association for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (TAGE),
 Member of the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE),
 Member of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA),
 Assistant professor, Mahidol University
 Thailand

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| Areas of interest | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gastrointestinal and Liver Disease • Advanced Therapeutic ERCP |
| Educational and Career Experiences | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretary of the Thai Association for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (TAGE) (2003-2005) • Director of Endoscopy Unit, Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University (1999-2001) • Certificate training in gastrointestinal motility, Royal Adelaide Hospital, Adelaide, Australia (1998) • Certificate training in advanced endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, European Postgraduate Gastro-surgical School at the Academic Medical Centre, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands (1997-1998) • Thai Board of Gastroenterology (1997) • Thai Board of Internal Medicine (1993) • M.D, Faculty of Medicine, Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Thailand (1987) |
| Honors and Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fellow of the American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (FASGE) (2023) • Young's Clinician Award of World Congress of Gastroenterology 1999 |



Dr. Barjesh Chander Sharma

Professor Gastroenterology GIPMER

India

Areas of interest

Hepatic Encephalopathy

Portal Hypertension

Educational and
Career Experiences

30 years of Teaching and Research Experience

Honors and Awards

Many Best Plenary Paper National and International Awards

DAAD Fellowship, visit to Hambure, Germany

Cochrane Hepatobiliary Group, visit to Copenhagen

Secretary General APASL

President APASL

Steering Committee Member APASL

Executive Council Member ISHEN



Dr. Manoj Kumar Sharma

Professor and Head Department of Hepatology and Liver Transplantation Institute of
Liver and Biliary Sciences
India

Areas of interest	Hepatitis B , Coagulation disorders, Acute Variceal Bleed, Sleep disorders in cirrhosis
Educational and Career Experiences	Secretary General cum Treasurer, APASL Associate Dean APASL School of Hepatology Chairman Guidelines committee, APASL Assistant Director, World Gastroenterology Organization (WGO) New Delhi International Training Center at Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences, New Delhi Board of Directors, Asia Pacific Digestive Week (APDW) Federation. Associate Editor, Hepatology International

PUBLICATIONS ORIGINAL ARTICLES: 145

PUBLICATIONS: REVIEWS: 58

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Honors and Awards	Om Prakash Memorial award for scientific research in gastroenterology (2010) by Indian society of Gastroenterology 2010
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APDW 2011 JGHF Emerging Leader Lectureship award 2011



Dr. Gamal Shiha

Prof of Internal Medicine Dept., Faculty of Medicine, Mansoura University,
 Founder and Chairman, Egyptian Liver Research Institute and Hospital (ELRIAH)
 Egypt

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis, HCC, liver fibrosis
Educational and Career Experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD, PhD Internal medicine, Nov.1991 • Prof of Internal Medicine Dept., Faculty of Medicine, Mansoura University, Egypt. • Member of executive committee of Asian Pacific Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (APASL),(2006-2010). • Head of Education and scientific research committee, the Egyptian parliament (2016-2020)
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young investigator award United European Gastroenterology meeting, Oslo, 1994 • Research award 10th Asian Pacific congress of Gastroenterology, Yokohama, 1996 • Best poster award, British society of Gastroenterology, Glasgow ,1999 • Award of Japan society of Hepatology, 2004 • Great Mentor Award The Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver [APASL], 2019 • State Appreciation Award for Medical Sciences, 2021 • Hepatitis Elimination Champion , Coalition for Global Hepatitis Elimination, 2021



Dr. Mitsuo Shimada

Professor and Chairman of Department of Surgery, Tokushima University
Japan

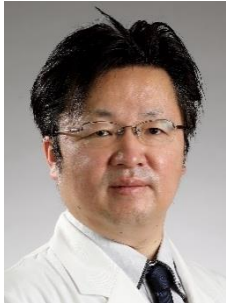
**Educational and
Career Experiences**

Education and Occupation:

- 1984 Graduated from Faculty of Medicine, Kyushu University
- 1987-8 Research Fellow of Dept. of Surgery, Univ. of Pittsburgh
(Prof. Thomas E. Starzl)
- 1989-93 Instructor of Department of Surgery II, Kyushu University
- 1997-2002 Senior Assistant Professor of Department of Surgery II, Kyushu
University
- 2002-2004 Associate Professor of Department of Surgery II, Kyushu
University
- 2004 April- Present position

Academic Titles:

- President of Japan Society for Gastroenterological Carcinogenesis
- Trustee of Japan Society of Hepatology (JDDW2023 Congress President)
- Trustee of Japan Liver Cancer Association
- Trustee of Japan Society for Transplantation
- Trustee of Japan Society of Computer Aided Surgery
- Councilor of Japan Surgical Society of Gastroenterological Surgery
(Congress President in 2017)
- Councilor of Japan Surgical Society
- Councilor of Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery
- Councilor of Japan Society of Gastroenterology
- Councilor of Japan Society of Clinical Oncology
- Councilor of Japan Cancer Association



Dr. Masahito Shimizu

Professor Department of Gastroenterology Gifu University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

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| Areas of interest | Pathobiology and treatment of acute and chronic liver failure
Nutritional pharmacotherapy of liver cirrhosis
Cancer chemoprevention using retinoid and natural compounds |
| Educational and Career Experiences | 1995: Gifu University School of Medicine, M.D.
2001: Gifu University Graduate School of Medicine, Ph.D.
2002: Columbia University, Postdoctoral Fellow.
2015: Gifu University Graduate School of Medicine, Professor. |
| Honors and Awards | 2006: AACR, Scholar-in-Training Award
2007 & 2009: 9th & 11th Liver Forum in Kyoto, Research Encouragement Award
2011: 13th AJINOMOTO Award |



Dr. Junichi Shindoh

Director and Chair Department of Gastroenterological Surgery, Toranomon Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatobiliary Surgery
Educational and Career Experiences	2004 MD, Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo 2011 Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Surgical Oncology, MD Anderson Cancer Center 2013 Assistant Professor, Hepatobiliary-pancreatic Surgery Division, University of Tokyo 2014 Senior Attending Surgeon, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery Toranomon Hospital 2023 Director and Chair, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery Toranomon Hospital
Honors and Awards	2013 Young Investigator's Award, Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery



Dr. Masahiro Shiokawa

Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Gastroenterology and Hepatology, autoimmunity, cancer



Dr. Ken Shirabe

Professor Division of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery,
Department of General Surgical Science, Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

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| Areas of interest | Hepato-biliary and pancreatic cancer treatment |
| Educational and Career Experiences | 1986 School of Medicine, Kyushu University.
1990-1991 Research Fellow, Department of Surgery, University of Minnesota |



Dr. Akash Shukla

Head, Gastroenterology, Seth GS Medical College & KEM Hospital,
Director, Hepatology, Sir HN Reliance Foundation Hospital
India

Areas of interest

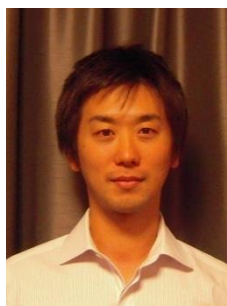
1. Portal Hypertension and vascular liver diseases
2. Hepatocellular carcinoma

Educational and Career Experiences

1. MD(Medicine), DM (Gastroenterology) and teaching experience of over 15 years in Gastroenterology and Hepatology
2. Extensive research in the field of vascular liver diseases
3. First author of the APASL Budd Chiari Syndrome Practice Guidance Paper
4. Currently coordinating Clinical Guidelines paper for APASL on NCPF/IPH
5. Secretary, Indian National task force of vascular liver diseases by INASL
6. Was steering committee member of vascular liver disease interest group (VALDIG) of EASL
7. 120 research publications

Honors and Awards

1. Plenary paper award at APASL 2018
2. Best research paper award at VALDIG meeting at Switzerland 2016
3. Young Gastroenterologist award, GIFTCON, Goa, 2017
4. Plenary paper award at annual INASL meeting in 2008
5. Best paper awards at national level 3 times



Dr. Keitaro Sofue

Associate Professor Department of Radiology, Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Diagnostic Imaging (CT and MRI), at Hepatobiliary and Pancreas Imaging Interventional Radiology
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Education (Premedical course and M.D.): April 1996 - March 2002 Kobe University School of Medicine</p> <p>Education (Postgraduate course and Ph.D.): April 2007 - September 2010 Postgraduate course at Dept. of Radiology, Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine</p> <p>Brief Chronology of Recent and Present Employment:</p> <p>July 2018 – Present Associate Professor, Kobe University Hospital</p> <p>April 2014 – June 2015 Visiting researcher, Duke university hospital, United States</p> <p>April 2012 – March 2014 Assistant Professor, Kobe University Hospital</p> <p>April 2007 – March 2012 National Cancer Center Hospital, Japan</p> <p>April 2006 – March 2007 Hyogo Brain and Heart Center</p> <p>August 2003 – March 2006 Japanese Red Cross Kobe Hospital</p> <p>May 2002 – July 2003 National Hospital Organization Kobe Medical Center</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>December 2013: Certificate of Merit. 99th Radiological Society of North America</p> <p>December 2018: Certificate of Merit. 103th Radiological Society of North America</p> <p>March 2022: Certificate of Merit. European Congress of Radiology 2022</p>



Dr. Jose D. Sollano Jr

Professor of Medicine Gastroenterology University of Santo Tomas
Philippines

Areas of interest	<p>Non- Variceal Upper GI Bleeding</p> <p>Chronic Hepatitis B</p> <p>Chronic Hepatitis C</p> <p>NAFLD</p> <p>Portal Hypertension</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Prof. of Medicine- University of Santo Tomas (Faculty of Medicine & Surgery)</p> <p>Visiting Lecturer- University of Arizona- Tucson School of Medicine</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Past President of the Asia Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (APASL) -the first Filipino to hold such position of this prestigious regional liver association,</p> <p>Past President of the Hepatology Society of the Philippines, Philippine Society of Gastroenterology and Digestive Endoscopy</p> <p>Past President Philippine College of Physicians</p> <p>Member of the Governing Council of the Asia Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE).</p> <p>Member Chronic Hepatitis B Global Guidelines Task Force of the World Gastroenterology Organization (WGO), and is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.</p> <p>Lifetime Achievement Award- Philippine Society of Gastroenterology</p> <p>2020-2021- Top Cited Article, Wiley Publication</p> <p>JGH Open, Asia Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE)</p> <p>Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Working Party Guidelines on IBD management during the COVID 19 pandemic.</p>



Dr. Jana Soyka

Senior Manager Research Marketing and Product Management Miltenyi Biotec B.V. & Co. KG
Bergisch Gladbach
Germany

Educational and Career Experiences

Jana Soyka holds a Master's in Biochemistry from the Free University, Berlin (2005), and a PhD in Virology from the Robert-Koch-Institute, Berlin (2009). Her research focused on influenza B virus host interactions. Joining Miltenyi Biotec in 2011 as Global Product Manager, she has since gained over 12 years of expertise in sample preparation, spatial biology, genomics, and CGT analytics. She currently holds a position as Senior Manager in Global Research Marketing and Product Management.



Dr. KC Sudhamshu

Professor of Hepatology Department of Hepatology National Academy of Medical Sciences
Nepal

Areas of interest	Portal hypertension, viral hepatitis, NAFLD
Educational and Career Experiences	MBBS (Dhaka University) PhD (Graduate School of Medicine, Chiba University) Working in Department of Hepatology since 2004. Professor of Hepatology since 2015. Coordinator of DM Hepatology program since 2020.
Honors and Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Best medical officer (1998)2. Monbusho scholarship to study in Chiba University, Japan (2000)3. Mahendra vidya bhusan (2005, Gold medal)4. NAST Science and Technology Promotion Award (2010)5. Travel award grant from APASL 2012, 2016, 2020



Dr. Katsutoshi Sugimoto

Associate professor MD, PhD Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Tokyo Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	Liver imaging, Local ablation therapy for liver cancer, Contrast-enhanced ultrasound, Ultrasound elastography, Computer-aided diagnosis
Educational and Career Experiences	2000.5. – 2002.5. Faculty of Medicine, Tokyo Medical University Hospital (Resident) 2002.6. – 2008.3. Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University Hospital (Staff) 2008.4. – 2009.3. Kurt Rossmann Laboratories for Radiologic Image Research, Department of Radiology, The University of Chicago (Postdoctoral Fellow) 2009.4. – 2019.12. Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University (Assistant Professor) 2019.1. – Present. Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Tokyo Medical University (Associate Professor)
Honors and Awards	European Society of Radiology – ECR 2017 Scientific Exhibition Award Certificate of Merit Assessment of liver elasticity and viscosity using shear waves induced by ultrasound radiation force: a study of hepatic fibrosis and inflammation in rat model Japan Radiological Society – Best Paper 2016 Award Irreversible electroporation for nonthermal tumor ablation in patients with hepatocellular carcinoma: initial clinical experience in Japan. <i>Jpn J Radiol.</i> 2015;33:424-32.



Dr. Dong Jin Suh

Emeritus Professor, Gastroenterology, Asan Medical Center
President, Hepatology, Daeahng Hospital
Korea

Areas of interest HBV & HCV treatment

Educational and Career Experiences Dr.Dong Jin Suh is an Emeritus Professor of Gastroenterology, Asan Medical Center. He was the Director of Internal Medicine and Department of Gastroenterology in Asan Medical Center and also the vice-Dean of College of Medicine, University of Ulsan. He is now working as the director of Liver Clinic of Deahang Hospital in Seoul, Korea.
He graduated from the College of Medicine, Seoul National University and subsequently obtained his PhD in Medical Sciences from the same university. He had his internship and residentship at Seoul National University Hospital. He completed a research fellowship in the Liver Unit, King's College Hospital, London , U.K.



Dr. Yutaka Suzuki

Associate Professor, Department of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery, Kyorin University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest Diagnosis, endoscopic treatment, and surgery of hepato-biliary-pancreatic diseases
Especially cystic neoplasms of the pancreas and cholelithiasis

Educational and Career Experiences [EDUCATION]
1997 M.D. Kyorin University, School of Medicine
2004 Ph.D. Kyorin University, Graduate School of Medicine
[CAREER EXPERIENCES]
2019 – present Associate professor, Department of Gastrointestinal and General Surgery, Kyorin University School of Medicine
2014 – 2019 Senior Lecturer, Department of Surgery, Kyorin University School of Medicine
2005 – 2014 Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Kyorin University School of Medicine
2001 – 2015 Clinical Fellow, Department of Surgery, Kyorin University School of Medicine
1999 – 2001 Medical staff, Department of Gastrointestinal Surgery, Japan Anti-Tuberculosis Association, Fukujuji Hospital
1997 – 1999 Resident, Department of Surgery, Kyorin University School of Medicine

Honors and Awards Best Abstract Award of Japanese Society of Pancreatic Surgery, 2023
Academic award of Japan Biliary Association, 2020
Research Encouragement Award of Kyorin University, 2017
Research Encouragement Award of Pancreas Research Foundation of Japan, 2014
Excellent Presentation Award of the 114th Annual Congress of Japan Surgical Society, 2014
Research Encouragement Award of Pancreas Research Foundation of Japan, 2010



Dr. Gyongyi Szabo

Professor of Medicine and Faculty Dean for Academic Affairs, Harvard Medical School
 Chief Academic Officer, Academic Research, Beth Israel Lahey Health and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
 Israel

Areas of interest	Alcohol-associated Liver Disease MAFLD/MASH, MetALD Extracellular vesicles, microRNAs Liver Fibrosis Mechanisms of ACLF Molecular and cellular mechanisms of liver inflammation Liver-gut-brain interactions
Educational and Career Experiences	MD - University of Medical School, Debrecen, Hungary PhD – Academy of Sciences, Hungary Medicine Residency and GI Fellowship – University of Massachusetts Medical Center
Honors and Awards	2005 Doctor Honoris Causa, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary 2009 Women in Science and Health Achievement Award, University of Massachusetts Medical School 2013 Elected Member, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary 2015 President, AASLD

Gyongyi Szabo, MD, PhD is and the Mitchell T. Rabkin, M.D. Chair, Professor of Medicine and Faculty Dean at Harvard Medical School and Chief Academic Officer at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Beth Israel Lahey Health. In this role, she leads all basic, translational and clinical research activities, innovation, education and faculty development for the BIDMC, a Harvard teaching hospital and for BILH, the second largest health care system in New England

A physician scientist and an internationally known expert in liver immunology and inflammation Dr. Szabo investigates the role of chronic inflammation in progression of liver diseases. Her laboratory discovered key cellular and molecular mechanisms of inflammation and innate immunity in liver injury and identified therapeutic targets in alcoholic liver disease, MASH and most recently in MetALD. Her investigations revealed the importance of micro-RNAs and extracellular vesicles in liver diseases. She showed that exosomes are biomarkers and also vehicles of inter-cellular and inter-organ communications. Her studies identified microRNA-122 as a central player in steatohepatitis and showed that miR-155 regulates exosome release as well as liver fibrosis. Earlier, her group discovered that Interferon Regulatory Factor 3 downstream from Toll-like receptor 4 regulates hepatocellular damage and represents a key molecule in alcoholic hepatitis. Dr. Szabo's group made the novel discovery that NLRP3 inflammasome activation and the IL-1 β pathways are potential therapeutic targets in alcoholic hepatitis and NASH. Her translational studies with the use of IL-1 receptor antagonist in a preclinical model of alcoholic hepatitis provided basis for a subsequent first-time clinical trial in alcoholic hepatitis with IL-1 inhibition. She is a lead investigator in the AlcHeptNet NIH-supported multicenter clinical trial in alcoholic hepatitis. Dr. Szabo's is member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and fellow of the AASLD, AGA, and the American College of Physicians (ACP). She was elected into the American Association of Professors in 2021. Dr. Szabo serves on advisory boards of several federal agencies, leading academic institutions and pharmaceutical companies. Dr. Szabo served on the Governing Board and as President of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) in 2015 and was the inaugural Editor-in-Chief of Hepatology Communications. Dr. Szabo is recipient of the 2020 Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award from the American Liver Foundation.



Dr. Kazuto Tajiri

Associate Professor, Third Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine,
University of Toyama
Japan

Areas of interest	HCC treatment Management of cirrhosis Liver Immunology
Educational and Career Experiences	1998 M.D. Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University, Toyama, Japan 2008 Ph. D. (Medicine) University of Toyama, Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Toyama, Japan 2008 Assistant Professor, Immunology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toyama 2010 Assistant Professor, Third Department of Internal Medicine Toyama University Hospital 2017 Lecture, Third Department of Internal Medicine Toyama University Hospital 2019 Associate Professor, Third Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toyama
Honors and Awards	2007 Excellent Poster Award, 49Th Japanese Society of Gastroenterology 2008 Excellent Presentation Award, 44th Japanese Society of Hepatology 2014 Itai Yuji Award



Dr. Ysutsugu Takada

Professor Department of HBP and Breast Surgery Ehime University
Japan

Areas of interest

HBP malignancy
Liver transplantation

Educational and Career Experiences

Education:

1983 M.D. Kyoto University, Faculty of Medicine
1992 Ph.D. Kyoto University, Graduate School of Medicine

Career Experiences:

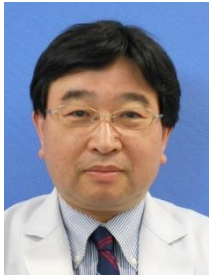
1995-2003 Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Tsukuba

University

2003-2009 Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Kyoto University

Graduate School of Medicine

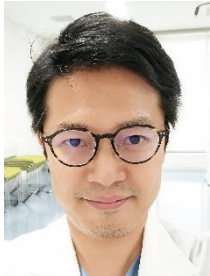
2009 July-present Professor, Department of HBP and Breast Surgery,
Ehime University School of Medicine



Dr. Koichi Takaguchi

Hospital Director of Kagawa Prefectural Central Hospital, Department of Hepatology,
General Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Treatment of HCC, Liver cirrhosis, hepatitis C and B, AIH, PBC and NASH
Educational and Career Experiences	1986 Okayama university medical school 1990 Graduate school of medicine dentistry and pharmaceutical sciences Okayama university 1997 Director of Internal medicine Kagawa Prefectural Central Hospital(KPCH) 2010 Chief Director of Internal medicine KPCH 2012 Clinical Professor of hepatology and gastroenterology of Okayama university of medicine 2014 Vice hospital director of KPCH 2022 Hospital director of KPCH



Dr. Naminatsu Takahara

Assistant professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine,
The University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest

- Diagnostic and therapeutic pancreato-biliary endoscopy
- Percutaneous interventions
- Oncology (Chemotherapy for pancreato-biliary cancer)

Educational and

Career Experiences

Education

2005 Fukushima Medical University, awarded MD

2014 Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo,
awarded PhD

Professional experience

2005-2006 Junior resident, The University of Tokyo Hospital

2006-2007 Junior resident, Hitachi General Hospital

2007-2009 Senior Resident, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Mitsui
Memorial Hospital

2009-2011 Dept. of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital

2011-2012 Dept. of Gastroenterology Kanto Central Hospital

2012-2017 Dept. of Gastroenterology, The University of Tokyo Hospital

2017- Assistant professor of Dept. of Gastroenterology,
The University of Tokyo



Honors and Awards

Certification

Authorized Doctor, The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
Authorized Doctor, The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
Authorized Doctor, Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
Authorized Doctor, Japan Biliary Association
Authorized Doctor, Japan Pancreas Society

Professional memberships

Japanese Society of Internal Medicine
Japanese Society of Gastroenterology (JSGE)
Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society (JGES)
Japan Biliary Association (JBA)
Japan Pancreas Society
Japanese Society of Clinical Oncology

Editorial membership

- BMC cancer editorial board
- Japanese Journal of Clinical Oncology reviewer board

Support member for Clinical Practice guidelines for Pancreatic Cancer 2022

- Member of Clinical Practice guidelines for Peritoneal Malignancy 2021
- Member of Guidelines Toward Standardization of Cleaning and Disinfection for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy.

Awards

- Best poster awards, 1st Congress of the International Society for the Study of Pleura and Peritoneum 2019
- International research awards, Japan Biliary Association 2020
- Best oral awards, EUS summit 2022

Publication (only in English journal):

total 131 articles, first author 19 articles

Major papers

1. Sato T, Takahara N, et al. Long-term outcomes of endoscopic treatment for duct-to-duct anastomotic strictures after living donor liver transplantation. *Liver Int.* 2019;39:1954-1963.
2. Sato T, Takahara N et al. A prospective study of fully covered metal stents for different types of refractory benign biliary strictures. *Endoscopy.* 2020;52:368-376.
3. Fujiwara H, Takahara N, et al. 5-Aminolevulinic acid-mediated photodynamic activity in patient-derived cholangiocarcinoma organoids. *Surg Oncol.* 2020;35:484-490.
4. Takahara N, Nakai Y, et al. A prospective multicenter phase II study of FOLFIRINOX as a first-line treatment for patients with advanced and recurrent biliary tract cancer. 2023;41:76-85.



Dr. Takeshi Takahara

Department of Surgery, Fujita Health University
Japan

Areas of interest

Liver resection
Liver transplantation
Pancreatic resection

Educational and Career Experiences

Education:

2000 M.D. Keio University, Tokyo
2009 Ph.D. Iwate Medical University, Iwate

Hospital Appointment:

2001- Resident, Department of Surgery, Eiju General Hospital
2002- Resident, Department of Surgery, Ogikubo Hospital
2003- Resident, Department of Surgery, Keio University Hospital
2004- Resident, Department of Transplant Surgery, Kyoto University

Hospital

2005- Senior Resident, Department of Surgery, Keio University Hospital
2006- Staff doctor, Department of Surgery, Fussa Hospital
2007- Lecturer, Department of Surgery, Iwate Medical University
2016- Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Iwate Medical University
2020- Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Fujita Health University
2022- Professor, Department of Surgery, Fujita Health University

Honors and Awards

2019 JSES Award: Excellent Presentation
2020 Best Citation Award (Takada Award)
The Japan Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery



Dr. Hirokazu Takahashi

President and professor of the Liver Center, Saga University Hospital, Faculty of Medicine, Saga University
 Vice director of the Division of Metabolism Diabetes and Endocrinology, Faculty of Medicine, Saga University
 Japan

Areas of interest	Steatotic liver disease, MASTLD, metabolism, diabetes, non-invasive test
Educational and Career Experiences	Dr. Takahashi is experienced basic research, clinical study and trial. He was a research fellow of Joslin Diabetes Center of Harvard Medical School and his research interest includes metabolism of liver, skeletal muscle and adipose tissue, exercise and translational research of obesity/diabetes as well as MASLD. Dr. Takahashi is also working on educational activities with academic societies, local/national governments and pharmacies for physicians, medical workers and citizen. In order to develop the patients' flow who has MASLD. Dr. Takahashi is trying to spread the utility of noninvasive tests for the evaluation for liver fibrosis.
Honors and Awards	<p>2006 Travel Award of 18th UEGW</p> <p>2007 Young Investigators Award of 19th annual meeting of the Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine in Kyushu.</p> <p>2012 Research Fellowship. Sumitomo Life Welfare and Culture Foundation</p> <p>2013 Research fellowship, Uehara Memorial Foundation</p> <p>2019 AASLD 2019 Best of Liver Meeting</p> <p>2020 The Saga Shimbun Social Culture Award</p>



Dr. Yu Takahashi

Division Director Division of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery, Cancer Institute Hospital,
Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research
Japan

Areas of interest

Biliary tract cancer
HPB surgery

Educational and
Career Experiences

Nagoya University, Nagoya, Japan 1989-1995
Graduate School of Medicine, Nagoya University, Nagoya, Japan 2003-2007

Japanese Red Cross Aichi Medical Center Nagoya Daini Hospital, Japan
National Cancer Center Hospital, Japan
Inazawa Municipal Hospital, Japan
Nagoya University Hospital, Japan
Ogaki Municipal Hospital, Japan
Cancer Institute Hospital, Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research, Tokyo,
Japan



Dr. Haruyuki Takaki

Associate professor, Hyogo College of Medicine
Japan

- 1999-2001: Resident in Radiology, Mie University Hospital, Mie, Japan
- 2002-2004: Senior Resident in Diagnostic Radiology, Aichi Cancer Center, Nagoya, Japan.
- 2005-2009: Clinical Fellow, Mie University Hospital
- 2009-: Assistant professor, Mie University School of Medicine
- 2013-: Research fellow, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
- 2015-: Assistant professor, Hyogo College of Medicine
- 2019-: Lecturer, Hyogo College of Medicine
- 2021-: Associate professor, Hyogo College of Medicine



Dr. Taro Takami

Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Liver cirrhosis, Hepatocarcinogenesis,
Liver regeneration, Portal hypertension

Educational and Career Experiences 1999-2001: Resident in Yamaguchi University Hospital
2001-2005: Graduate Student in Yamaguchi University School of Medicine
2005-2007: Visiting fellow in Laboratory of Experimental Carcinogenesis (Laboratory Chief; Snorri S. Thorgeirsson, M.D., Ph.D.), NCI, NIH, USA
2007-2008: Clinical doctor in Ehime Rosai Hospital
2008-2009: Clinical doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
2009-2012: Assistant professor, Division of Laboratory, Yamauchi University Hospital
2012-2019: Lecture, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
2019-2020: Lecture, Department of Liver regenerative medicine (endowed chair by Shibuya Corporation), Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
2020-2021: Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
July 2021: Current position



Dr. Toshinari Takamura

Professor Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Sciences
Japan

Areas of interest	Diabetology, Endocrinology, Hepatokines, NAFLD
Educational and Career Experiences	1988 Graduated from the Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Kanazawa University 1992 Graduated from Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Sciences with a Ph.D. degree 1993 Department of Biochemistry, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine, JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists 1997~ Assistant Professor of the First Department of Internal Medicine, Lecturer, Associate Professor of Kanazawa University, 2014, Professor, Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Sciences
Honors and Awards	2018 The Minister of Education Award (Research Division)



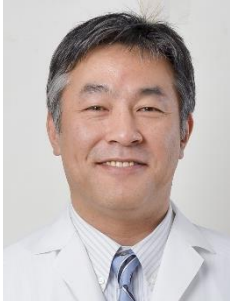
Dr. Yusuke Takasaki

Assistant professor, Department of gastroenterology, Juntendo University
Japan

Areas of interest Pancreatobiliary disease

Educational and 2012 Graduated from Juntendo university.
Career Experiences 2012-2014 Juntendo Nerima hospital (resident)
 2014-2017 National center for global health and medicine gastroenterology
 2017-2018 Aizu medical center
 2018-2022 Juntendo University post graduate school
 2022-2023 Juntendo Nerima hospital assistant professor
 2023- Juntendo hospital assistant professor

Honors and Awards IAP & JPS & AOPA2016 Resident Award
 JDDW 2016 Young Scientist Award
 JDDW 2023 Young Scientist Award& Best Poster Award



Dr. Akinobu Taketomi

Professor Department of Gastroenterological Surgery I Graduate School of Medicine,
Hokkaido University
Japan

EDUCATION:

1996 PhD Kyushu University

1990 MD Kyushu University

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

November 2011 – Present

Professor, Department of Gastroenterological Surgery I,
Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan.

April 2003 – October 2011

Assistant professor, Department of Surgery II, Kyushu University Hospital, Fukuoka, Japan.

April 2001 - March 2003

Chief surgeon, Department of Surgery, Nakatsu Municipal Hospital, Nakatsu, Japan.

September 1998 - March 2001

Post-doctoral research fellow, Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, USA

April 1996 - August 1998

Fellow, National Kyushu Cancer Center (Department of Digestive Organs), Fukuoka, Japan.

April 1991 - March 1992

Resident, Hiroshima Red Cross Hospital & Atomic-bomb Survivors Hospital, Hiroshima, Japan.

June 1990 - March 1991

Resident, Department of Surgery II, Kyushu University Hospital, Fukuoka, Japan.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Japan Surgical Society (Vice-President)

Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery

Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery

The Japan Society of Hepatology

Japanese Cancer Association

Japan Society of Clinical Oncology

Japan Surgical Association

Japan Society of Medical Oncology

American Society of Clinical Oncology

International Liver Transplant Congress



Dr. Yasuto Takeuchi

Senior Lecturer Department of Regenerative Medicine, Center for Innovative Clinical Medicine,
Okayama University Hospital
Japan

Education:

University, 1999-2005, Okayama University, Medical School, Faculty of Medicine,
Okayama, Japan
Graduate School, 2010-2014, Okayama University, Graduate School of Medicine,
Dentistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences,
Okayama, Japan

Doctoral Thesis:

The impact of patatin-like phospholipase domain-containing protein 3 polymorphism on hepatocellular carcinoma prognosis. (J Gastroenterol. 2013 Mar;48(3):405-12.)

Academic Positions and Employment:

April 2005 – March 2007: Junior Resident Okayama Rosai Hospital, Okayama, Japan
April 2007 – September 2009: Internal Medicine Department of Internal Medicine, Okayama Saiseikai General Hospital,
Okayama, Japan
October 2009 – March 2010: Internal Medicine Department of Internal Medicine, National Hospital Organization
Iwakuni Clinical Center, Yamaguchi, Japan
April 2010 – March 2017: Department of Gastroenterology, Okayama University Hospital, Okayama, Japan
April 2017 - March 2018: Assistant Professor Department of Regenerative Medicine, Center for Innovative
Clinical Medicine, Okayama University Hospital, Okayama, Japan
April 2018 – March 2020: Assistant Manager Department of Reserch and Development Promotion Division,
Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan
March 2020 – September 2020: Assistant Professor Department of Regenerative Medicine, Center for Innovative
Clinical Medicine, Okayama University Hospital, Okayama, Japan
October 2020 – : Senior Lecturer Department of Regenerative Medicine, Center for Innovative Clinical
Medicine, Okayama University Hospital, Okayama, Japan

Membership:

2023-present Japanese Society for Internal Medicine
Japanese Society for Gastroenterology
Japanese Society for Hepatology
Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine



Dr. Minoru Tanabe

Professor and Chairman, Department of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery,
Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatobiliary and pancreatic surgery, Minimally invasive surgery, Multi-disciplinary treatment for HBP cancer.

Educational and
Career Experiences

[Education]

1985 MD. Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

1996 Ph.D. Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

[Professional career]

2019-present : Vice Dean of School of Medicine, Tokyo Medical and Dental University

2017-2019 : Assistant director of Medical Hospital, Tokyo Medical and Dental University.

2013-present : Professor & Chairman, Department of Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery,

Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Tokyo, Japan

2008 – 2013 : Associate Professor, Chief of Hepato-pancreato-biliary and transplant surgery,

Department of Surgery, Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan

Honors and Awards

Congress Chairman of the 20th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterological Surgery held in 2022.

Congress Chairman of the 35th Meeting of Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery held in 2023



Dr. Atsushi Tanaka

Professor of Medicine at the Teikyo University School of Medicine
Japan

Prof. Atsushi Tanaka was graduated with M.D. degree in 1988 from the University of Tokyo, Japan. After spending three years as residency at St. Luke's International Hospital in Tokyo, he started his career as a researcher in liver diseases with a main focus on autoimmune liver diseases and viral hepatitis. He obtained his Ph.D. degree from the University of Tokyo in 1996, and thereafter he stayed at the University of California, Davis since 1996 to 1999 as a visiting scholar with M. Eric Gershwin, M.D., where he elucidated T cell mechanisms involved in the pathogenesis and progression of primary biliary cholangitis (PBC).

Coming back to Japan in 2000, he rose through the academic ranks to become a Professor of Medicine at the Teikyo University School of Medicine in 2011. His area of expertise is autoimmune liver diseases, especially autoimmune hepatitis (AIH), PBC, primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC), and IgG4-related sclerosing cholangitis. He has authored more than 150 peer-reviewed manuscripts devoted to these topics. He has provided exceptional leadership to Japanese hepatology, including ongoing service as Secretary-General of the Drafting Committee for Hepatitis Management Guidelines of the Japan Society of Hepatology (JSH) and play a central role in publishing as well as revising the JSH Guidelines for the Management of HBV/HCV infection. Currently he also serves as a Secretary-General of the Intractable Hepatobiliary Disease Study Group (JAIHSG, JPBCSG, JPSCSG) supported by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare of Japan, and is one of the leaders for research of autoimmune liver diseases in Japan.

He is a member of the Japan Society of Hepatology, the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (FAASLD since 1996), the European Association for the Study of Liver, and Asia-Pacific Association for the Study of Liver Diseases. He recently served as an active member of APASL clinical practice guidance committee for AIH and PBC.



Dr. Junko Tanaka

Executive and Vice President; Hiroshima University,
Specially Appointed Professor; Depart. of Epidemiology/Infectious Disease Control and Prevention,
Hiroshima University
Japan

Areas of interest	Epidemiology, Viral Hepatitis, Hygiene/Public Health
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1980 B.Sc, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>1981 Assistant Professor; Dept. of Hygiene, School of Medicine, Hiroshima University</p> <p>1989 Ph.D., Hiroshima University</p> <p>1991 Visiting Associate Professor; Faculty of Public Health, University of Minnesota, USA (short period)</p> <p>2009 Professor; Dept. of Epidemiology/Infectious Disease Control and Prevention, Hiroshima University</p> <p>2012 to 2019, at Hiroshima University</p> <p>Head; Program of Medicine, Vice Dean; Faculty of Medicine, University Councilor</p> <p>2015 Program Officer; JSPS Research Center for Science Systems</p> <p>2016 Assistant Director; Hepatitis and Immunology Research Center, NCGM, Tokyo</p> <p>2017 Joint Member; Science Council of Japan</p> <p>2020 Executive and Vice President; Hiroshima University</p> <p>2022 -Visiting Researcher; NIID, Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>-Special Advisor at Health Service and Environmental Health Bureau (Global Hepatitis), MHLW, Japan</p> <p>-Expert Research Advisor; MOH, Cambodia</p> <p>-Adjunct Professor; University of Health Sciences, Cambodia</p> <p>-Expert Advisor; Clinical Research Unit, Burkina Faso</p> <p>2023 Specially Appointed Professor; Depart. of Epidemiology/ Infectious Disease Control and Prevention, Hiroshima University</p>
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiroshima University Education Award (2016) • Hiroshima University President's Award (2018) • Hiroshima University Distinguished Professor (2021) • 79th Chugoku Culture Award, Japan (2022) • The Royal Order of Monisaraphon (Dhipadinda or Knight Commander), Kingdom of Cambodia (2023) • 9th Distinguished Service Award of Fostering Women Engineers/ Researchers, Japan (2023)



Dr. Masatoshi Tanaka

Director of Clinical Research Center, Yokokura hospital
Japan

Areas of interest	Diagnosis and Treatment of Hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	1979 M.D., Kurume University School of Medicine
	1979-84 Resident, Department of Medicine, Kurume University Hospital and Omuta General Hospital
	1985-94 Assistant, Department of Medicine, Kurume University Hospital
	1995-01 Assistant professor, Department of Medicine, Kurume University Hospital
	2001-05 Assistant professor, Hepatology and Gastroenterology, Kurume University Medical Center
	2006-12 Associate professor, Hepatology and Gastroenterology, Kurume University Medical Center
	2012- Director, Hepatology and Clinical Research Center, Yokokura Hospital



Dr. Takashi Tanaka

Associate Professor, Gastroenterology and Medicine, Fukuoka University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepatocellular carcinoma
(Ablation treatment, Systemic treatment)
Liver cirrhosis
Portal hypertension
Viral Hepatitis

Educational and
Career Experiences

1995-2002. Saga Medical School (Saga, Japan)
2002-2004. St. Mary's Hospital (Kurume, Japan)
2004-2005. Fukuoka University Hospital (Fukuoka, Japan)
2005-2009. Fukuoka University, Graduate School of Medicine (Fukuoka, Japan)
2009-2012. Fukuoka Redcross Hospital (Fukuoka, Japan)
2013-2014. Toranomon Hospital (Tokyo, Japan)
2014-present. Fukuoka University Hospital
(2017-2020. Department of Medical education, Faculty of Medicine, Fukuoka University)

Honors and Awards

Poster session Brons award ACTA2016 (Seoul)



Dr. Yasuhito Tanaka

Chief Professor, Vice dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kumamoto University.

Deputy Hospital director, Kumamoto University Hospital.
Japan

Areas of interest

Original Articles Total 443 (Total IF 3,481.9, citation 19,107, H-index 66 (2023))

I continue to do several molecular evolutionary analyses using human samples and collaborate with several researchers outside Japan, i.e. recently finding unique HBV core mutations associated with HCC development in Alaskan Natives (Hepatology 2019). Since 2007, I became a representative of a National Project about GWAS, and we discovered IL28B SNPs associated with the response to PEG-IFN (Nat Genet 2009). Until now, we have conducted Omics analyses such as epigenetic, RNAseq and microRNA using more than 8,000 samples, as well as gut dysbiosis. We also focus drug screening for developing HBV therapeutics and optimization of the hit compounds (Hepatology 2015, J Hepatol 2021, JG 2023) on the basis of another National Project (AMED). In clinical practice, our prospective observation study evidenced that monthly monitoring of HBV markers is useful for preventing HBV reactivation-related hepatitis among patients with resolved HBV infection following chemotherapies (CID 2015, BLOOD 2019), and we developed new high-sensitive HBV markers for HBV monitoring (J Hepatol 2020, 2021).

Educational and Career Experiences

1991	Nagoya City University Medical School
1999-2001	Visiting Fellow, National Institutes of Health, USA (supervised by Dr. Hervey J Alter)
2002-2006	Lecturer at Department of Clinical Molecular Informative Medicine, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences.
2006-2009	Associate professor at Department of Clinical Molecular Informative Medicine, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences.
2009-2020	Professor and Director, Department of Virology & Liver unit, Nagoya City University Graduate School of Medical Sciences. Director, Liver Disease Unit, Nagoya City University Hospital
2020-	Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kumamoto University Vice Dean, Faculty of Life Science, Deputy Hospital Director and Director, Liver Center, Director, Endoscopy Center, Kumamoto University Hospital

Honors and Awards

19 Awards

1999	Research Award, Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan
2002	Research Award, Tokai Research Foundation
2002	Research Award, Liver Forum in Kyoto
2004	Research Award, Uehara Foundation
2006	Hepatology Research Award, The Japan society of Hepatology
2007	17th APASL Presidential Award, APASL, Kyoto, Japan
2010	Research Advanced Award, Uehara Foundation
2023	Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Award



Dr. Nobuhito Taniki

Assistant Professor, Keio University, School of Medicine,
Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Department of Internal Medicine,
Japan

Areas of interest	Thermal ablation and systemic chemotherapy of hepatocellular carcinoma Liver immunology via gut-liver axis
Educational and Career Experiences	2002-2008 Kagoshima University, School of Medicine, Kagoshima, Japan M.D. was acquired in March, 2008 2008-2009 Intern and Resident in Internal Medicine, Keio University Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 2009-2012 Intern and Resident in Internal Medicine, Keio University Hospital, Tokyo, Japan 2012-2019 Keio University, Graduate School of Medicine (Gastroenterology and Hepatology), Tokyo, Japan
Honors and Awards	Contribution Award, 1st Annual Meeting of the Japan Academy of Tumor Ablation, 2023 Best Presentation Award, 39th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Inflammation and Regeneration, 2018 Best Presentation Award, 45th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Immunology, 2016 AASLD Presidential Poster of Distinction, 2016



Dr. Tawesak Tanwandee

Professor and Head Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital Mahidol University
Thailand

Areas of interest

Chronic viral hepatitis B and C
HCC

Educational and Career Experiences

Tawesak Tanwandee, MD, is hepatologist at division of gastroenterology and hepatology at Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand where he has been working for past 30 years. His current position is Professor of Gastroenterology and Head of Division of Gastroenterology (since 2008). He is currently steering member and past president of APASL as well as past president of APASL and Thai Association for the Study of the Liver (THASL). He received a MD with first class honor and gold medal and received Thai Board of Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology. He also spent 2 years as a research fellow at the Department of Molecular Virology, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX. He is currently a member of AGA, ACG, AASLD, EASL and APASL.

Honors and Awards

FACPT, FAASLD, AGAF.



Dr. Keisuke Tateishi

Professor, Dept. of Gastroenterology, St. Marianna University School of Medicine
Japan

1993.6

Clinical Resident, Dept. of Internal Medicine, Univ. of Tokyo Hospital

1994.6

Clinical Resident, Dept. of Internal Medicine, Mitsui Memorial Hospital

1997.1

Clinical Fellow, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Univ. of Tokyo Hospital

1998.7

Research Fellow, Division of Molecular Carcinogenesis, The Tokyo Metropolitan Medical Institute

2005.1

Assistant professor, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Univ. of Tokyo Hospital

2006.1

Postdoctoral Fellow, Lineberger Cancer Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, U.S.A

2009.1

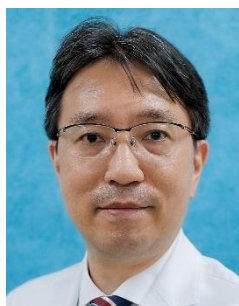
Assistant professor, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Univ. of Tokyo Hospital

2014.2

Lecturer, Dept. of Gastroenterology, Grad. Sch. of Med., Univ. of Tokyo

2022.4- present

Professor, Dept. of Gastroenterology, St. Marianna Univ. Sch. of Med.



Dr. Ryosuke Tateishi

Associate Professor Department of Gastroenterology
The University of Tokyo Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Etiology, diagnosis, and treatment of Hepatocellular carcinoma non-alcoholic fatty liver disease viral hepatitis liver cirrhosis
Educational and Career Experiences	Dr. Ryosuke Tateishi graduated from the University of Tokyo in 1995 and received his Ph.D. from the Graduate School of Medicine, the University of Tokyo, in 2005. After completing his medical residency at the University of Tokyo Hospital and Mitsui Memorial Hospital, he was an assistant professor at the University of Tokyo Hospital in 2006. He is currently an associate professor and a deputy director of the Department of Gastroenterology.
Honors and Awards	Young Investigator Award (2008) from the Japan Society of Gastroenterology Encouragement Prize (2016 and 2020) from the Japan Society of Gastroenterology Top Peer Reviewer in Clinical Medicine (2018 and 2019) from Web of Science Journal of Gastroenterology High Citation Award (2022)



Dr. Gao-Jun Teng

Chair Dept. of Interventional Radiology & Vascular Surgery Zhongda Hospital,
Southeast University
China

Areas of interest Interventional radiology and medical imaging

Educational and Career Experiences Dr. Teng completed residency in radiology in 1986. He obtained his MS degree and PhD degree from Nanjing Railway Medical College in 1989 and Fudan University in 2003, respectively. From 1995 to 1998, he completed a fellowship in interventional radiology at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, NH, US.

Dr. Teng was the Chair of Radiology at Zhongda Hospital, Southeast University in Nanjing, China from 1998 to 2016; Dean of Medical School, Southeast University from 2009 to 2014; and is the President of Zhongda Hospital since 2014.

He has served as the President of the Chinese College of Interventionalists (CCI) since 2017 and the Chair of the Chinese Medical Imaging Society since 2022. He was the President of Asia-Pacific Society of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology (APSCVIR) for the term of 2016–2018. He has been a fellow of SIR since 2008 and a fellow of CIRSE since 2013.

Dr. Teng was awarded the Distinguished Fellow of CIRSE (2015), Gold Medalist of SIR (2017), and Gold Medalist of APSCVIR (2019). He was elected as an Academician of Chinese Academy of Science in 2021 and fellow of Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences in 2022.

Honors and Awards Dr. Teng was awarded the Distinguished Fellow of CIRSE (2015), Gold Medalist of SIR (2017), and Gold Medalist of APSCVIR (2019). He was elected as an Academician of Chinese Academy of Science in 2021 and fellow of Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences in 2022.



Dr. Shuji Terai

Chairman & Professor Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology,
 Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Niigata University
 Japan

Areas of interest Liver cirrhosis, Liver regeneration, Stem Cell Therapy, Extracellular vesicle (Exosome)

Educational and Career Experiences Education
 Medical training; Yamaguchi University School of Medicine (1984-1990)
 Graduate school: Graduate School of Yamaguchi University 1992-1997 Ph.D. degree (1997)
 Postgraduate Training; Guest Researcher at Laboratory of Experimental Carcinogenesis, NCI, NIH Bethesda (1998-2000)

Academic appointment:

2000 August-2002 March: Research Associate at Department of Bio-regulation, Yamaguchi University School of Medicine

2006 November -2014 December: Associate Professor at Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine

2015 January-Present: Professor and Chairman, Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Niigata University

2020 Vice-director, Institute for Research Promotion, Niigata University

Honors and Awards 2001; Watanabe Memorial Award (UBE Kosan foundation)
 2005; Otsuka Award (Japan Society of Hepatology)
 2008: Soujinkai Award (Yamaguchi University)
 2020、 2021 President Award of Niigata University
 2022 THE JSRM AWARD (The Japanese Society for Regenerative Medicine)



Dr. Takuma Teratani

Director of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic medicine NTT Medical Center Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest Percutaneous Ablation Therapy for liver cancer

Educational and **Education**
Career Experiences 4/1984-3/1990 Yamanashi Medical College, Japan

Postgraduate Training and Fellowship

6/1990-11/1991 Tokyo Univ. Hospital
12/1991-5/1992 Metropolitan Bokutoh Hospital
6/1992-5/1994 Kanto Central Hospital

Hospital Staff

6/1994 – 3/2006 Tokyo Univ. Hospital
4/2006-Present NTT Medical Center Tokyo



Dr. Maki Tobari

Associate Professor Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest Hepatocellular Carcinoma
 Steatohepatitis
 Non-B non-C chronic liver diseases

Educational and
Career Experiences

Education

2001 Graduated from Teikyo University School of Medicine (Tokyo, Japan)
2009 PhD in Medicine, Tokyo Women's Medical University (Tokyo, Japan)

Career Experiences

2001-2003 Resident at Tokyo Women's Medical University (Tokyo, Japan)
2003-2012 Assistant at Tokyo Women's Medical University
2012-2014 Assistant Professor at Tokyo Women's Medical University
2014-2016 Assistant Professor at Tokyo Women's Medical University Yachiyo
Medical Center (Chiba, Japan)
2016-2021 Lecturer at Tokyo Women's Medical University Yachiyo Medical
Center (Chiba, Japan)
2021-present Associate Professor at Juntendo University School of Medicine
(Tokyo, Japan)

Honors and Awards APASL Oncology 2021 Tokyo Investigator Award, December 2021.



Dr. Ko Tomishima

Assistant Professor Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Medicine, Juntendo University
Japan

Areas of interest	Interventional EUS, Diagnosis and treatment of bile duct cancer, bile duct stent, POCS, Chemotherapy of pancreatobiliary cancer, Biomarker of pancreas cancer
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Education:</p> <p>2002-2008, M.D. Dokkyo Medical University, Faculty of Medicine</p> <p>2018-2022: Graduate Student in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University</p> <p>Professional Career:</p> <p>2008-2010: Junior Resident in Seirei Yokohama Hospital, Kanagawa</p> <p>2010-2011: Senior Resident in Department of Emergency and Critical Care Medicine, Juntendo University Urayasu Hospital</p> <p>2011-2013: Senior Resident in Shonan Fujisawa Tokusuyukai Hospital</p> <p>2013-2014: Clinical Fellow in Department of Emergency and Critical Care Medicine, Juntendo University</p> <p>2014-2017: Clinical Fellow in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University</p> <p>2017-2018: Teaching Associate in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo Shizuoka hospital</p> <p>2022-present: Assistant professor in Department of Gastroenterology, Juntendo University</p>
Honors and Awards	2019 APDW (Kolkata) Asian Pacific Endoscopy Cup Special Awards “Removal technique of migrated plastic stent into pancreatic duct using pancreatoscopy”



Dr. Hidenori Toyoda

President, Department of Gastroenterology, Ogaki Municipal Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Viral hepatitis
Hepatocellular carcinoma
Surveillance
Tumor markers

Educational and
Career Experiences

1990 Graduate from Nagoya University
1990 Ogaki Municipal Hospital, Resident
1994 Nagoya University Hospital
1998 Fujita Health University
2001 University Paris V
2003 Ogaki Municipal Hospital
2023 Ogaki Municipal Hospital, President



Dr. Sombat Treeprasertsuk

Professor of Internal Medicine 2015 at Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University

Currently, He is an Assistant to President, for Cross functions, Chulalongkorn University Thailand

Areas of interest Fatty liver, Cirrhotic complications, ACLF.

Educational and Medical Education

- Career Experiences
- M.D. from Mahidol University, Ramathibodi Hospital, Faculty of Medicine, Thailand (1991)
 - M.Sc. in Clinical Translational Science, AND Research Fellow in Clinical Liver Research from Mayo Clinic, Mayo Graduate School, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Mayo Clinic (2010)
 - Ph D. in Medicine from Chulalongkorn University (2012)), Harvard Medical School Postgraduate Medical Education, [Leadership In Medicine; SEA] Program, 1-year Certificate Program (2021 – 2022)
 - Publications and Presentations H Index By SCOPUS-12/12/2023* H Index = 37 (Scopus) / 5397 citations / 172 documents



Honors and Awards

Honors/ Awards within 10 years

2014*- Distinguished research award of Somporn Boonyaku/ Vichaiyut Hospital Annual meeting (15/8/2014) “ Foodborne disease– A significant burden to Thailand's universal health care system” Sombat Treeprasertsuk, et al.

2015*-Teaching/service award of Department of Internal Medicine, Chulalongkorn University

2018*- Role model faculty award of faculty council, Chulalongkorn University

2018*- Atisha Dipankar Peace Gold Award 2018 Ceremony on 23rd February, 2018. FROM Sanghanayaka Suddhananda Mahathero President, Bangladesh Bouddha Kristi Prachar Sangha and Chief Abbot, Dharmarajika Buddhist Monastery Atisha Dipankar Sarak, Sabujbag Dhaka-1214, Bangladesh.

2018*- The American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease, Special Interest Group (NAFL-SIG), Global Outreach Subcommittee 20182018 (18 18 /5/2018)

2018*- The Fellow of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (FAASLD) 20182018 class (5JUNE 2018)

2021*- Ramathibodi alumni award 2021; academic and research

2021*- Gastroenterological Assoc. Thailand ; GAT award : Academic

2021*- Fellow of the Mastery of RCPT ; THAILAND

2022*- AASLD Meeting 20222022; Professor Mindie H. Nguyen Award for Outstanding Clinical Research by Early Career Investigators ; from AASLD research entitle; “EFFECT OF A KETOGENIC DIET ON NON ALCOHOLIC FATTY LIVER DISEASE (NAFLD) PROGRESSION: RCT”

2023 *- Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University; 75 years anniversary; Role model awards rank* 9696 /134 Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University

2023*- AASLD Meeting 20232023; Professor Mindie H. Nguyen Award for Outstanding Clinical Research by Early Career Investigators from AASLD research entitle; The Predictive Score for Screening Metabolic Associated Fatty Liver Disease with Significant Fibrosis in The Primary Care Setting: A Multicenter Study



Dr. Tai-Chung Tseng

Attending physician, Department of Medical Research, National Taiwan University Hospital
 Associate professor, Department of Internal Medicine, National Taiwan University Hospital
 Taiwan

Areas of interest	HBV clinical research HBV/HCC Immunology
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1994-2001 M.D., College of Medicine, National Taiwan University, Taiwan</p> <p>2007-2013 Ph.D., Graduate Institute of Clinical Medicine, National Taiwan University</p> <p>-----</p> <p>2002-2005: Resident, Department of Internal Medicine, National Taiwan University Hospital</p> <p>2005-2007: Fellow, Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine, National Taiwan University Hospital</p> <p>2007-2016: Attending physician, Department of Internal Medicine, Taipei Tzu-Chi Hospital</p> <p>2014- 2016: Post-doc research at immunology lab of Dr. Li-Rung Huang, Institute of Molecular and Genomic Medicine, National Health Research Institutes, Miaoli, Taiwan</p> <p>2017-2020: Attending physician, Department of Internal Medicine, National Taiwan University Hospital</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2014 Research award from Taiwan Association for the Study of Liver (TASL)</p> <p>2020 Outstanding research award from National Taiwan University Hospital</p> <p>2022 The presidential award from APASL single topic conference on HCC</p> <p>2022 The presidential award from Taiwan Digestive Disease Week (TDDW)</p>



Dr. Kaoru Tsuchiya

Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Musashino Red Cross Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Systemic and ablation therapy for HCC
Biomarkers and imaging diagnosis for HCC
Treatment of chronic liver disease

Educational and
Career Experiences

1998 M.D., Gunma University
2009 Ph.D., Graduate School of Medical Science, University of Yamanashi
2000-2011 Medical Doctor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Musashino Red Cross Hospital (MRCH)
2011-2015 Deputy Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
MRCH
2015-2017 Postdoctoral researcher, medical university of Vienna, Austria
2017-2020 Deputy Director, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
MRCH
2020-present Director, the Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, MRCH
2022-present Clinical professor,
Tokyo Medical and Dental University

Honors and Awards

Japan Association of Molecular Targeted Therapy for HCC
The 5th Okita Award June 2015



Dr. Masataka Tsuge

Associate professor Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences, Hiroshima University
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Work Experience</p> <p>Mar, 2023 -: Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Graduate School of Biomedical & Health Sciences, Hiroshima University</p> <p>Apr, 2021 – Feb, 2023: Lecturer, Natural Science Center for Basic Research and Development, Hiroshima University</p> <p>Jul, 2018 – Mar, 2019: Collaborator, Department of Medicine, Loyola University Chicago</p> <p>Apr, 2009 - Mar, 2020: Assistant Professor, Natural Science Center for Basic Research and Development, Hiroshima University</p> <p>Feb, 2007 – Mar, 2008: Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Hiroshima university hospital</p> <p>Apr, 2006 – Jan, 2007: Research resident A, Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan</p> <p>Apr, 2000 – Mar, 2002: Physician, Internal medicine, Shobara Red Cross Hospital</p> <p>Oct, 1999 – Mar, 2000: Intern doctor, Hiroshima university hospital</p> <p>Jul, 1999 – Sep, 1999: Intern doctor, Hiroshima Red Cross Hospital & Atomic-bomb Survivors Hospital</p> <p>May, 1998 – Jun, 1999: Intern doctor of Hiroshima university hospital</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Apr, 1992 – Mar, 1998: Hiroshima university (Faculty of Medicine)</p> <p>Apr, 2002 – Mar, 2006: Graduate school of Hiroshima University</p> <p>Mar, 2006: Received a Ph.D. in Medicine</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>The 5th GlaxoSmithKline Award from Japan society of hepatology, Oct 2006.</p> <p>Taisho Toyama Award at West Liver Forum, Feb 2007.</p> <p>Young Investigator Award at the 25th Conference of APASL, Feb 2016.</p>



Dr. Takeya Tsutsumi

Professor Department of Infection Control and Prevention Department of Infectious Diseases, Faculty of Medicine The University of Tokyo
Japan

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis Viral hepatocarcinogenesis HIV infection
Educational and Career Experiences	1993 Graduated from Faculty of Medicine, The University of Tokyo 2001 Graduated from Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo Associate Professor in Division of Infectious Diseases, The Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo 2022 Professor in Department of Infection Control and Prevention, The University of Tokyo
Honors and Awards	2003 Schering-Plough Award (JSH) 2007 Research Incentive Award (Daiichi Sankyo Foundation of Life Science) 2009 Research Incentive Award (Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan)



Dr. Thomas Tu

ViceAdjunct Associate Professor Westmead Institute for Medical Research(WIMR)

Faculty of Medicine and Health(FMH)

Australia

Areas of interest

A/Prof Thomas Tu's research is focused on the Hepatitis B virus - an incurable disease that infects 300 million people, killing 887,000 annually through liver cancer and cirrhosis. He is particularly passionate about understanding the virus as he himself lives with chronic Hepatitis B.

Research interests : Molecular mechanisms of hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection persistence and HBV DNA integration. Host-virus evolution in chronic HBV infection and liver disease progression. Pre-cancerous changes in liver cancer to develop novel diagnostics and prognostics. The broader impacts of chronic hepatitis B from the perspective of the affected community

Educational and Career Experiences

A/Prof Tu has been involved in liver cancer and Hepatitis B virus research for his entire career starting from honours. He is now considered the world-leader in the sensitive and specific detection of Hepatitis B virus forms (down to single copies). He currently leads a research group at the Westmead Institute for Medical Research in the Storr Liver Centre (2019-present). Here, he links molecular biology expertise with cell culture models and patient samples from the adjoining Westmead Hospital to answer clinically-relevant aspects of Hepatitis B pathogenesis.

In addition to his growing list of publications, A/Prof Tu has been an investigator on multiple nationally-competitive grants (totalling >\$1.5M). He has been an invited speaker at multiple international conferences and institutional symposia . He currently serves as a Review Editor for *Frontiers in Microbiology*, and a Guest Editor for *Viruses*, a high-ranking virology journal. He has also reviewed >100 manuscripts as a field expert for high-impact journals, including: *Cell*; *Nature Communications*; *Gastroenterology*; *Hepatology*; *Journal of Hepatology*; and *Current Opinion in Virology*.

He also serves as President of the Australian Centre for Hepatitis Virology, the premier society for basic viral hepatitis research in Australia. He is also the founder and director of HepBcommunity.org, an online support network for people living with HBV to connect with each another and with medical/scientific experts in the field.



Honors and Awards

He has won multiple awards for his research and outreach, most recently the 2022 NSW Young Tall Poppy Science award and the Inaugural Paul and Valeria Ainsworth Precision Medicine Fellowship.

2022 NSW Young Tall Poppy Science Awardee

CIB– ACH2 Project Grant “Development of a diagnostic assay to measure hepatitis B virus cccDNA” 2021, AUD \$88,000

CIB– NHMRC Ideas Grant “Inhibiting host TM6SF2 to cure Hepatitis B” (Grant: GNT2002565) 2021-2023, AUD \$684,841

CIA– ACH2 Project Grant “Quantifying integrated and episomal HBV DNA in fine needle aspirate liver biopsies” 2019, AUD \$130,500

CIB– ACH2 Project Grant “Transcription of integrated HBV DNA as a marker of chronic HBV treatment outcome” 2018, AUD \$88,000

Named investigator– 2016 DZIF grant TTU05.704 “Sequencing integrated Hepatitis B virus (HBV) DNA in in vitro infection models”, €49,000

CIA– ACH2 Project Grant “Developing a humanised mouse model for testing HBV cccDNA-targeting therapies” 2015-2016, AUD \$170,000 over 1.5 years

CIA– Sydney Medical School, Early Career Researcher Ph.D. Supervisor Award 2015-2018, AUD \$92,547 over 3 years (Granted, but declined due to Ph.D. applicant postponing her studies)

CIA– 2014 Young Centenary Foundation Postdoctoral Grant, AUD \$5,000

Best Poster at German Centre for Infectious Disease Research (DZIF) Annual Meeting 2018

Yvonne Cossart HBV Travel Award, 2018 and 2015 Australian Centre for HIV and Hepatitis Virology Workshop

Young Investigator Travel Grant Award, 2018, 2017, 2016 and 2013 International Meeting for Molecular Biology of HBV

Centenary Institute 2015 Prize for Team Excellence (CI Gender Equity Program)

Sydney Catalyst travel award for Sydney Cancer Conference 2014

Centenary Institute 2014 Prize for Team Excellence (CI Social Committee)

Centenary Institute 2014 International Conference Travel Award

Senior author on top-scoring abstract, 2014 International Liver Cancer Association Annual Conference

Invited Guest Speaker Honorarium from 14th International Symposium on Viral Hepatitis and Liver Disease 2012

Integrated Science Young Achievement award at Australian Centre for HIV and Hepatitis Virology Workshop 2011

2009, 2010 and 2011 University of Adelaide School Postgraduate Student Travel Award

Student Travel Grant Award, 2009 and 2010 International Meeting for Molecular Biology of HBV



Dr. Sawako Uchida-Kobayashi

Associate Professor Department of Premier Preventive Medicine Osaka Metropolitan University
Japan

Areas of interest

hepatobiliary and pancreatic cancer, especially diagnosis and treatment of liver cancer using ultrasonography.

Educational and Career Experiences

I graduated with an M.D. degree in 1997 from Osaka City University Medical School. I obtained my Ph.D. degree from Osaka City University in 2003. From 2003 to 2022, I worked as a Research doctor, Hospital Lecturer, and Lecturer at department of Hepatology, Osaka City University Graduate School of Medicine. From 2011 to 2012, I worked as a Voluntary trainee at National Cancer Center Hospital, Japan. I was promoted to Associate Professor at Department of Premier Preventive Medicine, Osaka Metropolitan University Graduate School of Medicine in 2022. Now, I work as a Hepatologist at Department of Hepatology and the Premiere Preventive Medicine Center “MedCity21”, Osaka Metropolitan University Hospital.



Dr. Yoshiyuki Ueno

Dean, Chairman of Department of Gastroenterology, Yamagata University Faculty of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Cholangiopathy,
Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Viral Hepatitis

Educational and Career Experiences

Tohoku University School of Medicine, 1987
Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine, 1991
Center for Basic Research for Digestive Diseases, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, 1992-1994
Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, Tohoku University Graduate School of Medicine ~2011
Professor and Chairman of Gastroenterology, Yamagata University Faculty of Medicine, 2011-current
Dean, Yamagata University Faculty of Medicine, 2020~current

Honors and Awards

1994 AGA senior research fellowship award
1998 Japanese viral hepatitis research fellowship
2002 Hepatology Research Award (Japanese Society of Hepatology)
2004 Tohoku University Hospital Director Award
2010 Best Research Ajinomoto Award, Japanese Society of Hepatology,
2010 Gold Prize, Tohoku University School of Medicine
2016 Reviewer Award, Japanese Society of Promotion of Science (JSPS)



Dr. Kazuomi Ueshima

Associate professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
Kindai University Faculty of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest

Chemotherapy for Hepatocellular carcinoma

Educational and

Education

Career Experiences

1989-1995 Kobe University School of Medicine

Career Experiences

1995-1997 Resident,

Department of Internal Medicine,

Kobe City General Hospital

1997-2000 Senior Resident,

Department of Emergency Medicine,

Kobe City General Hospital

2000-2004 Department of Gastroenterology,

Kobe City General Hospital

2005 – Present

Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kindai University Faculty of
Medicine



Dr. Takeji Umemura

Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Shinshu University School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Viral hepatitis, Autoimmune liver diseases, HCC
Educational and Career Experiences	1994 M.D., Shinshu University School of Medicine 2001 Ph.D., Shinshu University School of Medicine 1999-2003 Visiting Fellow, Department of Transfusion Medicine, NIH 2008 Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Shinshu University School of Medicine 2012 Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology, Shinshu University School of Medicine 2020 Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Shi
Honors and Awards	2005 Research Award, Viral Hepatitis Research Foundation of Japan 2006 Schering-Plough-Award, The 10th General Meeting of Japan Society of Hepatology 2008 Award of Shinshu University School of Medicine



Dr. Haruki Uojima

Lecturer, Department of gastroenterology, Kistasato university Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepatologist

Educational and

Graduated from Asahikawa Medical University ; 2006

Career Experiences

Japanese Society of Hepatology Specialist, Japanese Society of Internal Medicine General Medicine Specialist, Certified specialist of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine, Japanese Society of Gastroenterology Specialist
Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society Specialist Intractable disease designated doctor

Honors and Awards

Published a plenty of publications more than 60 papers on Medical Journal as the first or co-author in the field of hepatology



Dr. Go Wakabayashi

Director, Center for Advanced Treatment of HBP Diseases, Chief Surgical Services. Deputy Director, Ageo Central General Hospital
Japan

Go Wakabayashi earned his degrees from Keio University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan. He trained at the Department of Surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. He was appointed Professor and Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Iwate Medical University School of Medicine in 2005. In April 2015, he was recruited as Director of the Center for Advanced Treatment of HPB Diseases, Chief of Surgical Services, and Deputy Director at Ageo Central General Hospital, a flagship hospital among 6,000 beds complexes near Tokyo. His expertise includes Hepato-Pancreatic Biliary Surgery, liver transplantation, and laparoscopic surgery. He performed the first robotic surgery in Asia in March 2000 and the first robotic hepatectomy worldwide in July 2001. His publications are over 300 peer review articles and book chapters. He was the President of the International Laparoscopic Liver Society from 2019 to 2021 and now has become the Immediate Past President. He is currently the President of the Endoscopic Liver Surgery Study Group in Japan and Vice President of the International Society for Digestive Surgery.



Dr. Masaru Wakatsuki

Director of Department of Diagnostic Radiology and Radiation Oncology
 QST Hospital, National Institute for Quantum Science and Technology
 Japan

Areas of interest	Liver Cancer, Radiation Oncology, Particle therapy, Brachytherapy, Gynecological radiation oncology	
Educational and Career Experiences	1996 - 2002:	Gunma University, School of Medicine with Medical Doctor Degree
	2004 - 2007:	Gunma University, Graduate School of Medical Science with Doctor of Philosophy degree
	2008 – 2009	Assistant professor, Gunma University
	2009 – 2011	Research fellow, Harvard Medical School / MGH
	2011 –2016	Medical Doctor, National Institute of Radiological Sciences
	2016 –2020	Professor, Jichi medical University
	2020 –present	Director of Department of Diagnostic Radiology and Radiation Oncology, QST Hospital, National Institute for Quantum Science and Technology
Honors and Awards	2007	Gunma University Graduate School of Medicine GOTO AWARD
	2015	Young Investigators Travel Award (ICRR2015)
	2016	Best oral presentation award (53rd GUSTRO)
	2018	Best oral presentation award (FARO 2018)



Dr. Fu-Sheng Wang

Director, Department of Infectious Diseases and Liver diseases, the Fifth Medical Centre of Chinese PLA General Hospital

Director, National Clinical Research Center for Infectious Disease
China

- Areas of interest** Immunological study and immune therapy on chronic viral hepatitis, functional cure of chronic hepatitis B and HIV/AIDS disease
- Educational and Career Experiences** Prof. Wang received his M.D & Ph.D. in Beijing Institute of Radiation Medicine, China in 1992. From 1996 to 1998, he did his post-doctoral training in Mount Sinai Medical School, New York University. He has been the Academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences since 2015.
- Honors and Awards** He has published more than 300 peer-reviewed research literature published in journals including NEJM, Lancet, Nature, Nature Immunology, Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Journal of Hepatology, which have been cited more than 43000 times. In 2014, He received the Okuda presentation lecture award due to his achievements in study of chronic hepatitis B.



Dr. Hsiu-Po Wang

Professor Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Department of Internal Medicine National Taiwan University
Taiwan

Areas of interest	Biliary and pancreatic diseases Endoscopic biliary and pancreatic intervention IEE Endoscopic tumor ablation
Educational and Career Experiences	1988 graduated from College of Medicine, National Taiwan University 2013 Feb ~ July Executive Master of Business Administration, College of Management, College of Management, National Taiwan University
Honors and Awards	FJGES President of Taiwan Interventional pancreatobiliary Society (TIPES) Former President of the Digestive Endoscopy Society of Taiwan (DEST)

Prof. Hsiu-Po Wang, born in 1961, graduated from the College of Medicine, National Taiwan University in 1988. He completed residency and GI fellow training in 1993. Professor Wang is the current President of Taiwan Interventional Pancreatobiliary Endoscopy Society (TIPES) and Professor of Internal Medicine, College of Medicine, National Taiwan University. He is the former President of the Digestive Endoscopy Society of Taiwan (DEST), the Supervisor of Gastroenterology Society of Taiwan (GEST), the Executive Director of Taiwan Pancreas Society, and he Executive Director of the Taiwan Neuroendocrine Tumor Association (T-NET). Internationally, the current member of steering committee of Asian EUS Group (AEG) since 2013. After training of gastroenterology in 1993, he serviced in the Division of Gastroenterology, Department of Internal Medicine and Emergency Department of National Taiwan University Hospital at the same time for 14 years and then became the Chief of Division of Endoscopy of National Taiwan University Hospital until 2020. Besides his majors of ERCP and EUS/interventional EUS, he also involves emergent endoscopic procedures, IEE, endoscopic tumor ablation – APC/RFA/laser of esophagus/biliary/pancreas, enteroscopy/capsule endoscopy, GI stenting. He has been active in many international meetings and has been invited for chair, speech and live demonstration. He has had more than 490 publications including international textbooks.



Dr. Lai Wei

Director Hepatopancreatobiliary Center, Beijing Tsinghua Changgung Hospital, School of Clinical Medicine, Tsinghua University
China

Areas of interest	NAFLD, chronic hepatitis, HCC
Educational and Career Experiences	Beijing Medical University, Ph.D Pennsylvania State University, Fellow Peking University Hepatology Institute, Director
Honors and Awards	Associate Editor, Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology Associate Editor, Journal of Viral Hepatitis Board, WHO hepatitis C guideline Board, APASL hepatitis C guideline Board, APASL hepatitis B guideline Board, KDIGO hepatitis C guideline



Dr. Kathryn Williams

Head of Department, Endocrinology, Nepean Hospital, Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District

Conjoint Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine and Health, University of Sydney

Australia

Areas of interest

Obesity
Diabetes
Metabolic health
Health service design
Social determinants of health

Educational and

Career Experiences

2011–2016: University of Sydney, Australia
Doctor of Philosophy
2011: Royal Australasian College of Physicians in Endocrinology Fellow
1995–2001: University of New South Wales, Australia
Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Surgery, Bachelor of Medicine, Honors Class
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2016–present: Clinical Lead and Manager of the Family Metabolic Health
Service, Nepean Hospital
2021–present: Head of Department – Endocrinology, Nepean Hospital

Honors and Awards

2011–2014: NHMRC Medical and Dental Postgraduate Scholarship for Clinical
Research for PhD entitled “The Clinical Relevance of Non-invasive Measures of
Liver Health and Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) in Diabetes
Mellitus”



Dr. Khin Maung Win

Honorary Professor Department of Hepatology University of Medicine 1, Yangon
Ministry of Health, Myanmar
Myanmar

Areas of interest

Primary Liver Cancer
MAFLD
Viral Hepatitis B,C & E

Educational and Career Experiences

- Graduated from University of Medicine, Mandalay, Myanmar in 1974.
- Master Degree in Internal Medicine in 1978
- Trained in GI and Liver Services in Royal Infirmary Edinburgh under Dr Neil Finlayson in 1983 and joined Liver Unit Royal Free Hospital London as assistant lecturer under Professor Dame Sheila Sherlock and Prof Neil McIntyre
- WHO Senior Research Fellow award and worked at Hôpital Henri Mondor, Paris for one year under Prof Daniel Dhumeaux
- Served as Professor and Head of Department of Hepatology in YGH (1994 – 2007).
- Established GI & Liver Centre and serve as head of the Department of Hepatology in Yangon GI & Liver Centre to date.

Honors and Awards

- Awarded as Honorary Professor, Department of Hepatology, University of Medicine (1), Ministry of Health, Myanmar
- Fellow of American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (FAASLD) in September 2018



Dr. Carmen Chak-Lui Wong

Associate Professor Department of Pathology State Key Laboratory of Liver Research
LKS Faculty of Medicine, University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Hepatocellular carcinoma, cholangiocarcinoma, liver cancer metabolism, liver cancer immunology, mouse liver cancer models, precision medicine, immunotherapy
Educational and Career Experiences	Postdoctoral training, Johns Hopkins University PhD, The University of Hong Kong, HK MSc, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, HK BSc, University of British Columbia, Canada
Honors and Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Outstanding Research Student Supervisor Award, HKU2. NSFC Excellent Young Scientist Fund3. Junior Investigator Award, International Liver Cancer Association (ILCA)4. Outstanding Young Researcher Award, HKU5. UBC Alumni Builder Award, the University of British Columbia, Canada6. Croucher Innovation Award7. Croucher Foundation Fellowship8. Hong Kong Young Scientist Award9. Li Ka Shing Prize (the best PhD thesis award)10. Dr. KP Stephen Chang Gold Medal (the best PhD thesis award)



Dr. Grace Lai-Hung Wong

Director, Medical Data Analytics Centre (MDAC) Deputy Director, Center for Liver Health
Assistant Dean (Learning Experience), Faculty of Medicine
Professor, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Big data research in medicine, chronic viral hepatitis, and risk prediction and risk reduction of hepatocellular carcinoma, and non-invasive assessment of liver fibrosis.
Educational and Career Experiences	MBChB (Hons), MD (CUHK), FRCP(Lond, Edin), FHKCP, FHKAM (Medicine)
Honors and Awards	Young Investigator Award of the Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver in 2009, the Distinguished Research Paper Award for Young Investigators of the Hong Kong College of Physicians in 2010, 2013, 2014 and 2015, the Ten Outstanding Young Persons (TOYP) of Hong Kong in 2014, Sir David Todd Lectureship of Hong Kong College of Physicians in 2016, the Distinguished Young Fellow of Hong Kong Academy of Medicine in 2017, the Emerging Leader Lectureship of the Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Foundation (JGHF), the Presidential Awards in the Global Hepatitis Summit 2021, the Richard Yu Lectureship of Hong Kong College of Physicians in 2021, and Best Reviewer Award of the Journal of Hepatology in 2022.



Dr. Vincent Wong

Professor and Head Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology

Department of Medicine and Therapeutics The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Metabolic dysfunction-associated fatty liver disease (non-invasive tests, epidemiology, natural history, pathogenesis, treatment)
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, CUHK (1999)</p> <p>Doctor of Medicine, CUHK (2008)</p> <p>Associate Editor, Alimentary Pharmacology & Therapeutics (2022-2024)</p> <p>Past President, Hong Kong Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (2015-2017)</p> <p>Chairman, Specialty Board of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Hong Kong College of Physicians (2022-2025)</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>Best Thesis Award, Hong Kong College of Physicians (2006)</p> <p>Young Investigator Award, Asian Pacific Digestive Week (2006)</p> <p>Young Investigator Award, Asian Pacific Association for the Study of the Liver (2009)</p> <p>Distinguished Research Paper Award for Young Investigators, Hong Kong College of Physicians (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015)</p> <p>National Award for Science and Technology Progress (Second Class), China (2012)</p> <p>First-Class MOE Higher Education Outstanding Scientific Research Output Award (Scientific and Technological Progress Award), Ministry of Education, China (2013)</p> <p>Research Excellence Award, Food and Health Bureau, Hong Kong SAR Government (2017, 2019)</p> <p>First-Class Science and Technology Award, Guangdong Province (2018)</p> <p>National Natural Science Award, Ministry of Science and Technology, China (2020)</p>



Dr. Shintaro Yagi

Professor and Chairman, Department of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery/Pediatric Surgery and Transplantation, Kanazawa University
Japan

Areas of interest	Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery and Transplantation
Educational and Career Experiences	2020.12. Professor and Chairman, Department of Hepatobiliary, Pancreas and Transplant Surgery, Kanazawa University, Kanazawa 2018.10 Senior lecturer, Department of Hepatobiliary, Pancreas and Transplant Surgery, Kyoto University Hospital 2008.3 Postdoctoral researcher in the University Hospital RWTH, Aachen, Germany
Honors and Awards	1. Travel Award: Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association, 2019 2. Microsurgical Technology Award: International Society for Experimental Microsurgery (ISEM), 2016 3. B. Braum Award in European Society of Surgical Reserch (ESSR) 2011 4. Congress President Award in Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery General incorporated association (JSHBPS), 2010



Dr. Akira Yamamoto

Associate Professor Osaka Metropolitan University Graduate School of Medicine
Department of Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology
Japan

Areas of interest Interventional Radiology

Educational and Career Experiences I graduated from Osaka City University, Graduate school of Medicine in 1999.
From 1999 to 2001, I worked as a medical resident in the Radiology Department at Osaka City University Hospital.
In 2001, I started working at the Radiology Department of Osaka City Hospital. I completed my graduate studies in 2005 in the Department of Radiology at Osaka City University Hospital.
In November 2005, I became a Postdoctoral Fellow in Hematooncology at Thomas Jefferson University in Pennsylvania, USA.
In August 2008, I returned to Osaka City University Hospital Radiology Department of Radiology, where I am currently working.



Dr. Takahiro Yamasaki

Professor, Department of Oncology and Laboratory Medicine, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
Japan

Areas of interest	Diagnosis and treatment of Hepatocellular carcinoma
Educational and Career Experiences	1980-1986 : Yamaguchi University School of Medicine 1986: The First Department of Internal Medicine, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine 1990: PhD. of Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine 2007: Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine 2013-Present: Professor, Department of Oncology and Laboratory Medicine, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine
Honors and Awards	2003: Hepatology Research Award 2011: Konishi Award, Yamaguchi Medical Association



Dr. Noriyo Yamashiki

Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Kansai Medical University
 Medical Center
 Japan

Areas of interest

Liver Transplantation
 Hepatobiliary Neoplasia
 Alcohol-related Liver Disease
 eHealth

Educational and
 Career Experiences

Education

1994 M.D. School of Medicine, Kansai Medical University, Osaka, Japan
 2004 Ph.D. Graduate School of Medicine, Kansai Medical University,
 Osaka, Japan

Professional Training and Employment:

1994- Junior & Senior Resident, Internal Medicine, Tenri Yoroazu Hospital, Nara,
 Japan
 1997- The Third Department of Internal Medicine, Kansai Medical University,
 Osaka, Japan
 1999- Postdoctoral Research Associate in Hepatology/Liver Transplantation,
 University of Miami School of Medicine, Florida, USA
 2003- Instructor, Department of Gastroenterology, University of Tokyo School
 of Medicine
 2005-2012 Assistant Professor, Department of Organ Transplantation, University
 of Tokyo Hospital
 2015- Assistant Professor, Organ Transplantation Service, Kyoto University
 Hospital, Kyoto Japan
 2019- Associate Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology,
 Kansai Medical University

Honors and Awards

Young Investigator Award, 18th annual congress of the International Liver
 Transplantation Society, 2012



Dr. Taro Yamashita

Professor Department of Gastroenterology Kanazawa University School of Medicine
 Kanazawa University Hospital
 Japan

Areas of interest	<p>Liver Cancer</p> <p>Cancer Stem Cell</p> <p>Biomarker</p> <p>Molecularly Targeted Therapy</p>
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>1995 M.D. Kanazawa University School of Medicine</p> <p>2000 Ph.D. Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Science</p> <p>2005 Visiting Fellow, National Cancer Institute, NIH</p> <p>2008 Assistant Professor, Kanazawa University</p> <p>2016 Associate Professor, Kanazawa University</p> <p>2022 Professor, Kanazawa University</p>
Honors and Awards	<p>2003 GRG/AGA Young Investigator Award</p> <p>2004 AASLD Travel Award</p> <p>2010 Otsuka Award</p> <p>2011 Viral Hepatitis Foundation Award</p> <p>2011 Liver Forum in Kyoto Award</p> <p>2013 Invention Prize by Japan Institute of Invention and Innovation</p> <p>2013 Kanazawa Medical Institute Memorial Award</p> <p>2023 The Hokkoku Cancer Foundation Award</p>



Dr. Tatsuya Yamashita

Associate Professor, Advanced preventive medical sciences research center, Kanazawa University
Department of Gastroenterology, Kanazawa University Hospital
Japan

Areas of interest

1. Diagnosis and Treatment of Hepatocellular carcinoma
2. Diagnosis and Treatment of Viral Hepatitis

Educational and Career Experiences

Education:

1993 Graduate from Kanazawa University School of Medicine (MD)
1998 Graduate from Graduate School of Medicine, Kanazawa University (PhD)

Career Experiences:

January 1 2018 Associate Professor, Advanced preventive medical sciences research center, Kanazawa University

April 1 2016 Lecture, Department of Gastroenterology, Kanazawa University Hospital

April 1 2009 Research Professor, Center for Education in Community Medicine (Department of Community Medicine and Medical Education), Kanazawa University Hospital

June 1 2014 Secondment, Global Hepatitis Programme, Department of HIV, World Health Organization



Dr. Ming Yang

MD, Associate Professor, Chief Physician Hepatopancreatobiliary Center,
Beijing Tsinghua Changgung Hospital, School of Clinical Medicine, Tsinghua University
China

Areas of interest	hepacellular carcinoma, liver cirrhosis, viral hepatitis, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease
Educational and Career Experiences	<u>Educational Experiences:</u> Shandong University College of Medicine, 2000 Peking University Health Science Center, 2014 <u>Career Experiences:</u> Beijing Aerospace General Hospital, 2007 Peking University People's Hospital, 2009 Beijing Tsinghua Chang Gung Hospital, 2019
Honors and Awards	Chinese medical science and technology prize, second prize National Institutes of Health Fogarty Global Health Fellow



Dr. Yutaka Yata

Director, Department of gastroenterology center
 Vice-principal of Hanwa memorial hospital
 Japan

Areas of interest	liver fibrosis, MASH, treatment of HCC
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Doctor of medicine, Toyama medical and pharmaceutical university (1985-1991) Research associate, National children's medical research center (1997-1998) Postgraduate course, Toyama medical and pharmaceutical university (1995-1999) Research associate, Liver center, Duke university medical center (1999-2000) Research associate, Department of medicine, University of north carolina at chapel hill (2000-2001) Clinical fellow, University of Tokyo hospital (2002-2003) Assistant professor, Department of gastroenterology, Toyama university hospital (2003-2007) Specially appointed associate professor, Department of hepatology, Osaka metropolitan university (2016-present)</p>
Clinical	2001 Research award of Japan Society of Hepatology.

Dr. Yutaka Yata is a Director of the Gastroenterology Center and Vice-Principal of Hanwa Memorial Hospital in Osaka, Japan. He graduated from the Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University and finished the postgraduate course of Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University. He had experienced residency and Assistant Professor at department of Gastroenterology, Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University Hospital. He also worked National Children's Medical Research Center and University of Tokyo Hospital as fellow. After finished Ph.D. course, he had also experienced Research associate at Liver Center, Duke University Medical Center in 1999 and Department of medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2001. His research topics are liver fibrosis, NASH, and the treatment of HCC (radiofrequency ablation, chemotherapy, interventional radiology) and published important papers in various leading journals (Hepatology, J Hepatology, Gut, J Biol Chem, Liver Int, Annals of Hematology, J Gastroenterol Hepatol, and Am J Physiol Gastrointest Liver Physiol, etc.). He received the Research award of Japan Society of Hepatology in 2001. He has currently belonged to department of Hepatology, Osaka Metropolitan University as Specially Appointed Associate Professor.



Dr. Hiroshi Yatsunami

Director, National Hospital Organization(NHO) Nagasaki Medical Center
Professor, Division of Viral Hepatitis, Department of Hepatology, Nagasaki University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
Japan

1984: Graduated from Nagasaki University School of Medicine

1984-1988: (Post-graduate Training) 1st Department of Medicine, Nagasaki University

1988-Clinical Research Center, NHO Nagasaki Medical Center

2002-2012: Director, Department of Therapeutic Research, Clinical Research Center, NHO Nagasaki Medical Center

2004-Professor, Division of Viral Hepatitis, Department of Hepatology, Nagasaki University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences,

2012- Center Director, Clinical Research Center, NHO Nagasaki Medical Center

2019- Assistant Director, NHO Nagasaki Medical Center

2022- Director, NHO Nagasaki Medical Center

(Editorial Board)

2011-Hepatology International

(Research Interest)

Viral hepatitis, Anti-viral treatment, Hepatocellular carcinoma ,



Dr. Kuo Chao Yew

Senior Consultant Gastroenterology and Hepatology Department Tan Tock Seng Hospital
Singapore

Areas of interest

Dr Yew Kuo Chao has established a foundation to support Singapore's Hepatitis C virus elimination program via a research initiative. As the lead medical advisor for the "Educate, Test, Treat!" (ETT) Programme, Dr Yew collaborated with non-medical stakeholders to create a sustainable initiative for marginalised individuals, specifically Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWIDs) in correctional institutions. His research primarily focuses on developing practical point-of-care tests for early HCV diagnosis while removing barriers to healthcare access.

The ETT Program has expanded to Phase 2, reaching a wider PWID population, and Dr Yew aims to extend these efforts to other high-risk groups in Singapore. His recent meta-analysis on Direct-Acting Antivirals in treating chronic liver disorders contributes to evidence provision for HCV elimination funding by authorities. Dr Yew's expertise led to his invitation as a speaker and panelist by the Coalition for Global Hepatitis Elimination.

He also serves as Principal Investigator in pharmaceutical trials for Steatotic liver disease and as a co-investigator in Singapore's research projects on chronic hepatitis B and Hepatocellular carcinoma. Dr Yew initiated a survey study to gather Asian perspectives on the new nomenclature of Steatotic liver disease, aiming to promote its adoption, address regional challenges, and advance hepatology in Asia. His diverse research portfolio includes presenting at the 2023 ASSLD conference on Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease progression through time-varying liver enzyme analysis. His future plans include launching basic science projects in Hepatology.

Educational and Career Experiences

Dr Yew, a senior hepatology consultant at Tan Tock Seng Hospital, holds a role as a senior lecturer at medical schools. He mentors students, supervises clinicians in the Clinician-Scientist Preparatory Programme, and serves as a conference speaker. As Vice-President of the National Foundation for Digestive Diseases, he actively engages in public outreach to raise awareness about liver-related issues. Driven by a commitment to advancing medical knowledge and public awareness, his multifaceted career underscores the vital role of research and education in modern healthcare.

Honors and Awards

In 2015, Dr. Yew received the Health Manpower Development Plan award, allowing him to advance his hepatology expertise under Professor Shi-Ming Lin's guidance at Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Taiwan. He also secured a research grant from the Ng Teng Fong Healthcare Innovation Programme, enabling a comprehensive study on NAFLD, NASH, liver fibrosis, and HCC.



Dr. Terry Cheuk-Fung Yip

Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics,
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Chronic hepatitis B, MAFLD/MASLD, HCC prediction, big data research
Educational and Career Experiences	<p>Educations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Doctor of Philosophy in Medical Sciences (CUHK) (2019) - Master of Philosophy in Risk Management Science (CUHK) (2016) - Bachelor of Science in Statistics (CUHK) (2014) <p>Career experiences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, CUHK (Aug 2019 - Aug 2021) - Research Fellow, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Maryland, Baltimore (Aug 2018 - Jan 2019)
Honors and Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Associate Editor of Journal of Hepatology, Frontiers in Gastroenterology: Hepatology, and Frontiers in Medicine: Hepatobiliary Diseases - Editorial Board Member of Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Alimentary Pharmacology & Therapeutics, Hepatology Communications, and Hepatoma Research - Young Investigator Award, APASL meeting (2018, 2022-2023) - Early Career Investigator Award in Clinical/Translational Science, AASLD Liver Meeting (2020) - Gut-IDDF Young Investigator Award (2021-2022)



Dr. Hideo Yoshida

Director Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Japanese Red Cross Medical Center
Japan

Areas of interest

Treatment of liver tumor

Educational and

1993 Graduated from Osaka University

Career Experiences

2000 Graduated from Graduated school of medicine, University of Tokyo

1993 University of Tokyo hospital

1994 Toranomon hospital

1996 University of Tokyo hospital

2001 JR Tokyo general hospital

2003 University of Miami

2005 University of Tokyo hospital

2008 Japanese Red Cross Medical Center



Dr. Hiroshi Yoshida

Professor Department of GI and HBP Surgery Nippon Medical School
Japan

Areas of interest

Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery
Portal Hypertension

Educational and Career Experiences

1986: Graduated from Nippon Medical School
subsequently entered the Department of Surgery
2003: Assistant professor
2005: Associated professor
2011: Clinical Professor
2016: Director of Nippon Medical School Tama Nagayama Hospital, and
Professor
2018: Professor and Chairman of the Department of GI and HBP Surgery, Nippon
Medical School

- President of the Japan Society for Portal Hypertension
- President of the Japanese College of Surgeons

Honors and Awards

2000: APASL, 2001: The Japan Surgical Society, 2002: APASL, 2004: Nippon
Medical School, 2005: Government, 2006: Nippon Medical School, 2007:
Government, 2007: Nippon Medical School, 2007: Japanese Society of Hepato-
Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery, 2008: APASL, 2008: Japanese Society of Hepato-
Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery,
2012: Hepatology Research High Citation Award, 2013: Nippon Medical School,
2013: The Japan Society for Portal Hypertension, 2017: The Japan Society for
Portal Hypertension



Dr. Hitoshi Yoshiji

Chairman and Full Professor Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism,
Nara Medical University
Japan

Areas of interest	Liver cirrhosis Liver fibrosis Liver cancer
Educational and Career Experiences	1993: Ph.D. (Medical Science), Graduate School of Nara Medical University 1994~1997: Visiting Fellow, NIH, National Cancer Institute, USA 1999: Assistant Professor, Third Department of Internal Medicine, Nara Medical University 2015: Chairman and Full Professor of Department of Gastroenterology and Metabolism, Nara Medical University
Honors and Awards	1998: UICC (International union against cancer) Young investigator award 1999, 2000: Award of Japanese Society of Hepatology 2001: Award of Japanese Association for Metastasis Research 2003: Award of Nara Medical University 2004: Award of Japanese Hepatology Research 2023 Award of Japan Society of Hepatology (Oda-sho)

Dr. Yoshiji is a councilor of many academic societies, such as The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology, The Japanese Society of Hepatology, The Japanese Society of Portal Hypertension, and The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine. He is also a Founding member of ILCA (International Liver Cancer Association), Active member of the New York Academy of Science. He is the Editor-in-Chief of the Japanese Journal of Gastroenterology, the Japanese Journal of Portal Hypertension, Managing editor of Hepatology Research, and an Editorial Board of fifteen International Academic Journals. He is also the chair of the Japanese guideline committee of liver cirrhosis 2020. He has many high-index articles. His h-index is 63, i-10 index is 245 and total citation of his article is 18,076 times, respectively on Sep 2023. According to Thomson Reuters, he used to rank among the top 1% of most-cited Japanese researchers cited in Pub Med Central.



Dr. Hong You

Vice President and Doctoral Supervisor of Beijing Friendship Hospital Affiliated to Capital Medical University
China

Areas of interest	Focusing on the clinical diagnosis and treatment of chronic hepatitis B liver fibrosis and the research on the pathogenesis of fibrosis, and as the main author of China's CHB guideline
Educational and Career Experiences	Vice Chairman of the Hepatology Branch of the Chinese Medical Association Member and Deputy Secretary General of the Executive Committee of the APSAL Member of the International Liver Pathology Laennec Organization Associate Editor of Journal of Medical Virology Editorial Board, American Journal of Physiology Gastrointestinal and Liver Physiology
Honors and Awards	New Century Excellent Talents in University, Ministry of Education, China, 2009 (With grant support of RMB 500,000) Young Investigator Award, Asian Pacific Association of Study Liver Diseases (APASL), 2008 Excellent Young Teachers Program, Ministry of Education, China, 2006



Dr. Ming-Lung Yu

Dean of the College of Medicine,
Director of Doctoral Program of Clinical and Experimental Medicine,
College of Medicine, Center of Excellence for Metabolic Associated Fatty Liver Diseases and Senior
Vice President, Chair professor of National Sun Yat-sen University
Chair professor Kaohsiung Medical University
Taiwan

Areas of interest

Prof. Yu, a board-certified internist and gastroenterologist, currently teaches at the National Sun Yat-sen University and a visiting staff of Kaohsiung Medical University Hospital. Professor Yu's research interests in the epidemiology and natural history of viral hepatitis have led him to publish more than 500 scientific original and review articles.

Educational and Career Experiences

He graduated with a Ph.D. from the College of Medicine, Kaohsiung Medical University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Prof. Yu was Visiting Professor at, Liver Center, Division of Gastroenterology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, USA. He has served as the Superintendent, Kaohsiung Municipal Ta-Tung Hospital and the vice president, Kaohsiung Medical University, both in Taiwan. Taken collectively, based on Yu's achievement and contribution to HCV research, he is invited as the key member of APASL and TASL HCV guidelines, and policy-maker, and a member of the National Office for HCV control in Taiwan.

He also holds various editorial roles including handling editor of PLoS ONE, the World Journal of Gastroenterology and Clinical and Molecular Hepatology, and a member of the editorial board of Hepatology and Kaohsiung Journal of Medical Science, and a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Infectious Diseases.

Honors and Awards

His fruitful research results in Hepatitis leads him to earn global recognition. He was rewarded the top 2% of Scientists in the world both from 2020 to 2022 from Stanford University, and he is also recognized as Worldwide Expertise in Hepacivirus, 2022; ranking 2nd in Taiwan, 3rd in Asia(<https://expertscape.com/ex/hepacivirus/c/asi>). He got the "Emerging Leader Lectureship" reward from JGHF (Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology Foundation) in Asian-Pacific Digestive Week, 2016. Meanwhile, in his own country, Taiwan, Prof. Yu was honored to bring in related rewards. In 2019, Prof. Yu has rewarded the 29th WANG MING-NING Award for Outstanding Contributions of Academic Research Achievements to the Development of Medical Science and Technology, National Health and National Society, Taiwan. He obtained the "Outstanding Research Award" from the National Science Council in 2022 and 2012.



Dr. Man-Fung Yuen

Chair Professor Department of Medicine, School of Clinical Medicine,
The University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong SAR, China

Areas of interest	Chronic hepatitis B
Educational and Career Experiences	MD, PhD and DSc
Honors and Awards	<p>2006 JGH Emerging Leader Lectureship Award (one of the two awardees among 19 nominations from different countries in Asian Pacific region), Asian Pacific Digestive Week 2006 (organized by 4 major regional bodies including the Asian Pacific Association of Gastroenterology (APAGE), Asian Pacific Society of Digestive Endoscopy (APSDE), Asian Pacific Association for the Study of Liver (APASL), International Society for Digestive Surgery (ISDS).</p> <p>2008 Winner of Young Scientist Award 2008 (competition among 24 nominations of researchers from different countries in Asian Pacific region in the category of Medicine). Association of Southeast Asian Institutions of Higher Learning (ASAIHL) – Scopus</p> <p>2020 Awardee of Croucher Senior Medical Research Fellowship, Croucher Foundation</p> <p>2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 Faculty Outstanding Research Output Award, Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong</p>



Dr. Minghua Zheng

Professor, MAFLD Research Center, Department of Hepatology, the First Affiliated Hospital of Wenzhou Medical University

Member, APASL MAIDEN (Metabolic Fatty Liver Disease Consortium)

Member, Society of Hepatology, Chinese Research Hospital Association

Member, Global NASH Council

Member, GOASIA

China

Areas of interest	Hepatology/clinical, basic and translational research on metabolic dysfunction-associated fatty liver disease (MAFLD)
Educational and Career Experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2020–Now: The First Affiliated Hospital of Wenzhou Medical University – Professor• 2013–2016: Wenzhou Medical University – PhD• 2005–2008: Wenzhou Medical University – MD
Honors and Awards	First-class prize of Chinese Medical Science and Technology Award