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# JSCC Japan Society of Clinical Chemistry

It is 53 years from organization.  
Over the 50th anniversary, toward the further progress.

Japan Society of Clinical Chemistry (JSCC) is an academic organization with about 1,300 members widely from industry-government-academia, and 45 corporate members. We have 8 Standing Committees and 12 Scientific Committees. The Standing Committees consist of Publications Committee, International Relations Committee, Education Committee, Liaison board for Scientific Committees, Academic Meetings and Public Relations Committee, Awards Committee, Judicial and Ethical Affairs Committee, and Future Directions Committee. The Scientific Committees consist of Committees on Quality Management, Enzymes and Analytical Reagents, Laboratory Systems and Instruments, Point-of-Care Testing, Diabetes Mellitus Indices, Plasma Protein Testing, Nutrition Testing, Animal Clinical Pathology, Genetic Testing, Thrombosis and Hemostasis Testing, Lipoprotein Testing, and Common Reference Intervals. Basically, JSCC plays as a society creating new laboratory testings. Furthermore, towards standardization and harmonization, we work hard to promote development of clinical laboratory testing reagents and instruments from Japan.

JSCC started from "the Medicinal Chemistry Symposium" held in December, 1961. The representative organizers were Prof. Yuichi Yamamura (Kyushu University), Prof. Haruhisa Yoshikawa (Tokyo University), and Prof. Masami Suda (Osaka University Institute for Protein Research). JSCC declared "the medical scientists affiliated medicinal chemistry work together hand-in-hand with clinician scientists and scientists of basic medicine except biochemistry, give them research scheme and technical advices, and more, clinician scientists are willing to offer clinical specimens and research materials, in addition, we should discuss and cooperate each other and then build a bridge between the basics and the clinical" by the

statement of The Medicinal Chemistry Symposium presented four years later. Thereafter, JSCC contributed to the development of interdisciplinary field from the basic medicine to the clinical medicine, including elucidation of etiology or pathophysiology of diseases, and therapy and prevention, based on the chemical knowledge and technology. In 1971, the Medicinal Chemistry Symposium and "Clinical Chemistry Analysis Seminar" under the supervision of Prof. Zenzou Tamura (Tokyo University, Faculty of Pharmacy) into "Clinical Chemistry Symposium". Again it joined with "Clinical Chemistry Colloquium" promoting summer seminar and winter seminar to finally organize "Japan Society of Clinical Chemistry" in 1981. Prof. Yuichi Yamamura was assumed the first president. The 2<sup>nd</sup> is Prof. Toshitsugu Oda; the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Prof. Kiyoshi Miyai; the 4<sup>th</sup>, Prof. Takashi Kanno; the 5<sup>th</sup>, Prof. Naotaka Hamasaki; the 6<sup>th</sup>, Prof. Tsutomu Nobori; and now the 7<sup>th</sup> President Prof. Yukio Ando chairs JSCC successfully. JSCC shifted to a middle-natured corporation with the limited liability from the arbitrary group in March, 2008. Moreover, it shifted to a general incorporated association in April, 2009 and reformed the structure and regime of society up to today.

JSCC has been active globally as a member of IFCC and Asia-Pacific Federation for Clinical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine (APFCB). The 5<sup>th</sup> APCCB was held in Kobe in 1991, and The 18<sup>th</sup> ICCB Kyoto was held in 2002. The international relation that began with a personal relationship of mutual trust came to be activated by an organized and strategic effort. In recent years, we participate and collaborate





in the committee of IFCC and APFCB as a chairperson or a member.

In commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we published the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative issue "Toward the top of next 50 years" (the lower two photos in the previous page; one scene from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary event) and held the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary symposium.

To honor the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation, we received an award from IFCC and APFCB (the upper photo in the previous page). Then it passed for three years, JSCC makes untiring efforts to undergo continuous improvement and to remain one of key members in IFCC and APFCB.



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