General Assembly, Prize Awards Ceremony and Lectures by the Prize Winners

During the general assembly, the following report (discussed and approved at meetings of the Board of Directors and the Board of Councilors of the Japanese Cancer Association) will be made.

Most of the time of the general assembly will be allocated to the awards ceremony of the JCA-Mauvernay Award, the JCA-CHAAO Award, the JCA International Award, the Incitement Award of the Japanese Cancer Association, and Cancer Science Young Scientists Award, and the awards ceremony and lectures made by the winners of the Tomizo Yoshida Prize, the Mataro Nagayo Prize.

Reports at the general assembly
1) Address by the President of the Japanese Cancer Association
2) Reports on general affairs
   i) Personnel matters and general affairs
   ii) Results of the election of the Board of Directors
   iii) AACR-JCA Joint Conference
   iv) JCA symposium, conferences and seminars open to the public
   v) President of the 78th Annual Meeting of the JCA in 2019
   vi) New auditor
   vii) New honorary members
   viii) New councilors
   ix) The Tomizo Yoshida Prize, the Mataro Nagayo Prize, the JCA-Mauvernay Award, JCA-CHAAO Award, JCA International Award, the Incitement Award of the Japanese Cancer Association, and Cancer Science Young Scientists Award
   x) Others
3) Management of this annual meeting
4) Editorial report
5) President of the 76th Annual Meeting of the JCA in 2017

Speech by the president of the next annual meeting

President: Hitoshi Nakagama
Date of the next meeting: September 28 (Thu.) - 30 (Sat.), 2017
Place: Pacifico Yokohama

Lectures by the Prize Winners

The Tomizo Yoshida Prize Lecture Oct. 8 (Sat.) 12:50-14:30 Room 1
The Mataro Nagayo Prize Lecture Oct. 8 (Sat.) 12:50-14:30 Room 1
The JCA-Mauvernay Award Lectures (Basic) Oct. 8 (Sat.) 8:00- 8:50 Room 13
The JCA-Mauvernay Award Lectures (Applied) Oct. 7 (Fri.) 8:00- 8:50 Room 13
The Incitement Award Lectures Oct. 8 (Sat.) 9:00-10:30 Room 5
Cancer Science Young Scientists Award Lectures Oct. 8 (Sat.) 10:30-11:30 Room 5
The Tomizo Yoshida Prize
The Yoshida Tomizo Kenshokai (Asakawa-cho, Fukushima) and the Japanese Cancer Association award the Yoshida Tomizo Prize to cancer researchers of excellence, in memory of the great cancer researcher, Dr. Tomizo Yoshida, with the goal of stimulating further research on cancer.

**Prize winner in 2016**

**Tetsu Akiyama**
Professor, The Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences, The University of Tokyo

**Research topics involved**
Functional analysis of genes required for tumorigenesis

Dr. Tetsu Akiyama showed that the tyrosine kinase activity associated with the EGF receptor family of proteins is critical for tumorigenesis, opening new avenues to the pharmacological treatment of cancer. He also identified molecules that regulate Wnt/APC signaling, such as Asef and Axin, and elucidated their importance in tumor development at the molecular, cellular and organism levels. Furthermore, he undertook a comprehensive search to identify genes required for tumorigenesis, leading to the discovery of those encoding long non-coding RNAs, therein providing novel insights into the development of new cancer treatments.

The Mataro Nagayo Prize
The Japanese Cancer Association has established the Mataro Nagayo Prize in commemoration of the great cancer researcher, Dr. Mataro Nagayo, who founded the Japanese Cancer Association. This prize is awarded to researchers who have achieved excellence in the fields of clinical care and social medicine related to cancer.

**Prize winner in 2016**

**Noriyuki Sato**
Professor Emeritus, Sapporo Medical University

**Research topics involved**
Basic studies on immunological control of human cancer

Dr. Noriyuki Sato has developed various human cancer peptide vaccines, and has tried their clinical application. Through these studies, he has clarified basic mechanisms of human cancer immunology and has contributed to find various cancer specific antigens and their effective use for immunological therapy for human cancers.

The JCA-Mauvernay Award
The Japanese Cancer Association and Debiopharm have jointly established the JCA-Mauvernay Award, to recognize the cutting edge oncology research in both basic and applied aspects and to encourage Japanese researchers to make their work available to other parts of the world.

**Basic research**

**Hidewaki Nakagawa**
Team Leader, RIKEN Center for Integrated Medical Sciences, Laboratory for Genome Sequencing Analysis

**Research topics involved**
Cancer genomics for molecular diagnosis and treatment: genome sequencing and genome-wide association study

**Applied research**

**Hiroyuki Seimiya**
Chief, Division of Molecular Biotherapy, Cancer Chemotherapy Center, Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research

**Research topics involved**
Telomere maintenance system as an anticancer therapeutic target
JCA-CHAAO Award

The Japanese Cancer Association and Chugai Academy for Advanced Oncology have jointly established the JCA-CHAAO Award, to honor the researcher(s) or the research group who contributed to the better management of cancer patients through the research and development of new anti-cancer drug or cancer treatment.

Prize winner in 2016 "Development of tumor tracking radiotherapy under real-time monitoring"

Masahiro Hiraoka  President, Japanese Red Cross Wakayama Medical Center
Masaki Kokubo  Director, Department of Radiation Oncology, Kobe City Medical Center General Hospital
Yukinori Matsuo  Senior Lecturer, Department of Radiation Oncology and Image-Applied Therapy, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
Yuki Miyabe  Program-Specific Senior Lecturer, Department of Radiation Oncology and Image-Applied Therapy, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
Takashi Mizowaki  Associate Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology and Image-Applied Therapy, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
Mitsuhiro Nakamura  Program-Specific Senior Lecturer, Department of Radiation Oncology and Image-Applied Therapy, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University
Kenji Takayama  Assistant Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology and Image-Applied Therapy, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University

JCA International Award

The Japanese Cancer Association established the JCA International Award to recognize foreign researcher(s) living abroad (in Asia and Oceania, in principle) who have made outstanding contributions to the Japanese Cancer Association, such as by actively participating in the International Session that was launched by the Japanese Cancer Association as part of its efforts to internationalize its activities.

Prize winner in 2016

Patrick Tan  Professor, Cancer & Stem Cell Biology Programme, Duke-NUS Medical School

Research topics involved
Genomic and epigenomic analyses of gastric cancer
The Incitement Award of the Japanese Cancer Association

The Incitement Award of the Japanese Cancer Association is awarded to members of the JCA who have published research that would make remarkable contributions to the advancement of cancer research and are expected to make further progress. This prize is awarded to under 40 years old. This prize is awarded for research conducted for the most part in Japan.

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<th>Prize winners in 2016 (Basic)</th>
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| Akihiro Fujimoto | Associate Professor, Department of Drug Discovery Medicine, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University  
*Development of analysis method for whole genome sequencing and comprehensive analysis of liver cancer genomes* |
| Keisuke Kataoka | Project Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology and Tumor Biology, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University  
*Integrated genetic analysis of adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma* |
| Shigekatsu Maekawa | Assistant Professor, Department of Urology, The University of Tokyo  
*Recurrent somatic mutations underlie Cushing’s syndrome due to adrenal mass* |
| Masahiro Sonoshita | Associate Professor, Systems Neuropharmacology, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University  
*Understanding colorectal carcinogenesis* |
| Hiromichi Suzuki | Research Fellow, The Hospital for Sick Children  
*Mutational landscape and clonal architecture in grade II and III gliomas* |
| Tomoya Yamaguchi | Designated Lecturer, Division of Molecular Carcinogenesis, Center for Neurological Diseases and Cancer, Nagoya University Graduate School of Medicine  
*ROR1, a transcriptional target of TTF-1/NKX2-1 oncogene, sustains lineage-survival signaling in lung adenocarcinoma* |
| Takahiko Yasuda | Chief, Division of Biological Information Analysis, Nagoya Medical Center  
*Identification of DUX4-IGH fusion gene in acute lymphoblastic leukemia of adolescents and young adults* |
| Tetsuichi Yoshizato | Research Fellowship for Young Scientists of Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, Department of Pathology and Tumor Biology, Kyoto University  
*Clonal architecture in acquired aplastic anemia* |

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<th>Prize winners in 2016 (Applied)</th>
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| Takuma Higurashi | Assistant Professor, Department of Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Yokohama City University  
*Metformin chemoprevention for colorectal tumor* |
| Sumimasa Nagai | Senior Assistant Professor, Division of Genetic Therapeutics, The Advanced Clinical Research Center, The Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo  
*International comparison of regulations on oncologic drugs and companion diagnostics* |
Cancer Science Young Scientists Award

The Japanese Cancer Association and Wiley-Blackwell established the Cancer Science Young Scientists Award in 2007. This award has been established to recognize ground-breaking research in cancer science from young researchers within the Asia region.

Prize winner in 2016

Sovannarith Korm  
Graduate School of Analytical Science and Technology (GRAST), Chungnam National University, Korea  
Research topics involved  
RAP80 regulates epithelial-mesenchymal transition related with metastasis and malignancy of cancer

Kota Ouchi  
Department of Clinical Oncology, Institute of Development, Aging and Cancer, Tohoku University, Japan  
Research topics involved  
DNA methylation status as a biomarker of antiepidermal growth factor receptor treatment for metastatic colorectal cancer

Azusa Yamato  
Department of Respiratory Medicine, Graduate School of Medicine, The University of Tokyo, Japan  
Research topics involved  
Oncogenic activity of BIRC2 and BIRC3 mutants independent of nuclear factor-κB-activating potential

Jianxuan Zou  
The Cyrus Tang Hematology Center, Soochow University, China  
Research topics involved  
Immunotherapy based on bispecific T-cell engager with hlgG1 Fc sequence as a new therapeutic strategy in multiple myeloma

Travel Grant

The Japanese Cancer Association (JCA) and the Organizing Committee of the 75th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Cancer Association will be offering the following grant to participants under 45 years old who will be presenting at the 75th Annual Meeting of the JCA. The selection of awardees is made by the assessment of the Organizing Committee based upon the novelty, quality and significance of the abstract submitted.

Number of the Applicants: 76  
Number of the Awardees: 68

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