#### Japanese Society of Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition

#### 1. About us

Message from the chief board of director

I am Yutaka Sanada and I have just selected and was replaced with the position of the chief board of director of Japanese Society of Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition JSSMN with Professor Katsuyoshi Hatakeyama, Professor of the Department of Surgery, Niigata University School of Medicine. Professor Hatakeyama made a great effort to expand the society for the last 4 years and has just been retired according to the rule of the society. While I am really honored to be in a prestigious position now, I feel a little nervous about the responsibilities on the future of one of the most important surgical societies in Japan.

For those of you who are not so familiar with JSSMN, let me introduce a short history and development of the society. JSSMN was established in 1965 started as a small society dealing with postoperative nutritional care and management. This was the time when Japan had developed rapidly and Japan had become one of the developed country in the majority of the field through lots of international activities including the start of super express train (bullet train) between Tokyo and Osaka, Tokyo Olympic in 1964 firstly held in Asia and the international exhibition held in Osaka, Japan in 1970. The president as well as the members at the developing stage that time made a great effort and contribution to make the society and this research field essential and important. The society has now been recognized as the most important society in the field of surgery and critical care in Japan. One of the famous chief boards of director was Akira Okada, Professor Emeritus Department of Pediatric Surgery, Osaka University School of Medicine who unfortunately passed away 2 years ago. He had

JSSMN held an annual meeting every year, which has fostered a Japanese tradition of clinical studies and research activities in this important field in surgery and critical care. The participants of the recent annual meeting were over 400 including the participants for educational seminar for nutritional support team, which was a part of the participants of the meeting. A total of approximately 700 members and the board of directors have all been proud of these traditions of discussing pathogenesis and mechanisms responsible for metabolic changes and nutritional management in patients after surgical insults, trauma and postoperative complications and critically-ill patients.

The primary activities of JSSMN are the education of surgical metabolism for young doctors of surgery and critical care, collaboration with the societies of basic sciences such as amino acid society and Japanese Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (JSPEN), recommendation of high-quality research articles to JPEN. Our primary goal is to provide the best nutritional management for patients with critical illness and perioperative patients by the precise understandings of pathogenesis and the mechanisms responsible for metabolic changes seen in these patients. I would not hesitate to make great effort to provide wide variety of the discussion regarding essential field of surgery and critical care medicine for scientific and clinical development for the future.

## Hospital Director of Showa University Fujigaoka Hospital Chief board of director of JSSMN Yutaka Sanada, MD

## 2. Annual Meeting (http://www.jsmmn.jp/doc/48thSSMN.pdf)

# Brief summary of 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition

President: Yoichi Sakurai, MD, PhD, FACS

Department of Surgery Fujita Health University School of Medicine

Dates & Venues: July 7-8, 2011

Nagoya International Convention Center, Nagoya Japan

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Theme: International and multidisciplinary development of surgical

metabolism and nutrition

Program: Symposium, Educational lecture, Special invited lecture, Free paper

sessions, International sessions

Special invited lecture: Robert R. Wolfe (University of Arkansas Medical Sciences)

Official language: Japanese and English

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Abstract submission deadline: March 31, 2011 (planned)

Recommendation of the submission of research article presented in JSSMN

A total of at least 4 excellent presentations will be selected to submit as full research paper in JPEN (An official journal of ASPEN, Journal of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition). Committee members and board of director will evaluate the quality of research presentations at the Annual Meeting and put scores for the selections of recommended articles from all the presentations. The editorial committee of JPEN has now allowed approximately 4 papers to be submitted to JPEN, which has been agreed to have some priority for publication in JSPEN as the recommended articles from JSSMN, although some peer review will be gone through the recommended articles made by JSSMN.

## Important message

For those of you who would like to submit the abstract for travel grant and international session and participate in the 49<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, please visit web site of JSSMN again at <a href="http://www.jsmmn.jp">http://www.jsmmn.jp</a> to find the exact date of abstract submission. The information would be updated accordingly. The English version of the web site will be available soon.

#### 3. Awards

## Travel grant of JSSMN

The Japanese Society for Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition encourages young investigators from foreign countries other than Japan to submit original papers regarding clinical and basic research in the field of surgical metabolism and nutrition. The papers accepted for traveler's grant are allowed making oral presentations at the 46th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition.

We believe that the participation of JSSMN facilitates young investigators to communicate and discuss recent topics on surgical practice and research of surgical metabolism and nutrition, which further fosters the interrelationship and friendship between foreign countries and Japan.

#### Eligibility for travel grant

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- 1. Applicants must be either a young surgeon or a surgical trainee younger than 36 years old in foreign countries other than Japan.
- 2. Japanese residing abroad are not eligible for the grant.
- 3. The official languages of the Congress are Japanese and English.

- 4. No interpretation facilities will be available at the Congress.
- 5. The maximum amount of the travel grant awarded by the Japanese Society for Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition is **200,000 Japanese yen**, which will be reimbursed for all your travel expenses shown on the airfare receipt when the awardee is arrived.
- 6. The accommodation fee during the Congress and the registration fee will also be covered by the president of the Congress.
- 7. It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain the visa required for entering Japan.

## 4. Membership information

## A. Application for membership

Eligibility

There are three status of the memberships, and those are an active member, a subscription member, and a supporting member. Medical doctors, particularly surgeons, doctors in critical care medicine and anyone engaging in research in metabolism and nutrition are eligible for active members. The supporting members are the pharmaceutical or industrial companies that engaged in producing and developing novel nutritional products and devices related to nutritional management.

## B. Process to obtain membership

Fill out the official form for the membership, which is downloadable in the following page. The membership card should be sent back to the office of JSSMN.

#### C. Membership card

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