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Winners of 10th Manpei Suzuki International Prize for Diabetes Research and 11th Manpei Suzuki Prize for Diabetes Care and Education Announced

Tokyo, Japan (December 14, 2017) - The Manpei Suzuki Diabetes Foundation* (Chuo-ku, Tokyo; President, Takashi Shoda; hereafter, the Foundation), a related public interest incorporated foundation of Daiichi Sankyo Company Limited (Headquarters: Chuo-ku, Tokyo), today announced that it had decided on the winners of its 10th Manpei Suzuki International Prize for Diabetes Research and its 11th Manpei Suzuki Prize for Diabetes Care and Education according to the details in the “Summary of Recipients” below.

The Manpei Suzuki International Prize for Diabetes Research (international prize) and Manpei Suzuki Prize for Diabetes Care and Education (Japan prize) are awards inaugurated in November, 2007 to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Foundation. The international prize is awarded to one researcher from anywhere in the world every year for original, excellent research achievements. The Japan prize is given every year for the achievements of an individual, facility, body, team or group over an extended period in efforts in diabetes care and education in a particular region, or that cover several regions, that contribute to treatment and prevention, with the purpose of improving medical care and welfare for diabetic patients.

The Foundation hopes that the award of the international prize will be an incentive for researchers from all over the world working in diabetology research and lead to further advances in diabetology, furthermore; that the award of the Japan prize will be an incentive for people making efforts in diabetes care and education, and contribute to the treatment and prevention of diabetes.

*Since its establishment in December 1993, the mission of the Foundation has been “encourage young researchers through the promotion of exchanges among those working in the field of diabetes worldwide, in order to contribute to the advancement of diabetes research”, and has been carrying out various financial assistance programs for this purpose.

Summary of Recipients

1. Recipient of the 10th Manpei Suzuki International Prize for Diabetes Research

Susumu Seino, M.D., D. M. Sci.

Professor and Endowed Chair

Division of Molecular and Metabolic Medicine

Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine, Kobe, Japan

Reason for Selection:

The Selection Committee highly recognized Dr. Seino's extensive and groundbreaking contributions over years to many landmark discoveries in cellular signaling pathways regulating insulin secretion, which is the key to understand molecular pathogenesis and treatment of type 2 diabetes.

Education and Professional Positions Held

- 1974 Graduated from Kobe University School of Medicine, Kobe Japan
- 1978 Fellow, Second Department of Internal Medicine, Kyoto University
School of Medicine, Kyoto, Japan
(1982 Received Doctor of Medical Science (D.M.Sci. equivalent to Ph.D.) of
Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan)
- 1982 Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Internal Medicine, Division of
Endocrinology and Metabolism, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, U.S.A.
- 1984 Visiting Research Fellow, Metabolic Research Unit, University of California San Francisco
- 1986 Associate, Howard Hughes Medical Institute at University of Chicago
- 1988 Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Section of
Endocrinology, The University of Chicago, Chicago, U.S.A.
- 1991 Associate Professor, tenured, Department of Medicine, Section of
Endocrinology, The University of Chicago, Chicago, U.S.A.
- 1991 Professor, Division of Molecular Medicine, Center for Biomedical
Science Chiba University School of Medicine, Chiba, Japan
- 2002-2007 Adjunct Professor, Advanced International Medicine (Guest Chair),
Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto, Japan
- 2003-2013 Professor and Head, Division of Cellular and Molecular Medicine
Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine, Kobe, Japan
Jointly appointed as Professor and Head, Division of Diabetes,
Endocrinology and Metabolism (April 2008-March 2013)
- 2013 Professor and Endowed Chair
Division of Molecular and Metabolic Medicine
Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine, Kobe, Japan

Awards:

- 1992 New Investigator Award, American Diabetes Association Northern Illinois Affiliate
- 1997 The Asia & Oceania Medal (currently known as the International Medal), The Society for Endocrinology, UK
- 2001 The Hagedorn Award
The Japan Diabetes Society, Japan
- 2004 Academic Award of the Mochida Memorial Foundation
The Mochida Memorial Foundation, Japan
- 2005 Naito Foundation Research Prize (currently known as The Naito Foundation Merit Award for Advancement of Science)
The Naito Foundation, Japan
- 2010 The Donald F. Steiner Award for Outstanding Achievement in Diabetes Research, The University of Chicago, USA
- 2010 Albert Renold Prize for Outstanding Achievements in Research on the Islets of Langerhans
European Association for the Study of Diabetes, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2011 The Medal of Honor with Purple Ribbon granted by the Emperor of Japan (*Shiju Hoshō* in Japanese)
- 2013 The 50th Erwin-von-Bälz-Prize
1st prize, shared with Yutaka Seino, Nobuya Inagaki and Yuichiro Yamada, Japan

2. Recipients of the 11th Manpei Suzuki Prize for Diabetes Care and Education

Satako Doguchi, Deputy Director, Naka Kinen Clinic

Kenji Shima, Honorary President, Kawashima Hospital Group

Reasons for Selection:

Satako Doguchi

Satako Doguchi is considered eligible to receive the award based on the following achievements. Making use of her experience as one of the staff inaugurating the inpatient education system when the hospital's diabetes center was established, as well as her experience in expanding patient education and in the creation and operation of the inpatient education system. Seeing the need to improve communication among Naka Kinen Clinic departments, she carried out the unified management of nurses, registered dietitians, pharmacists and clinical laboratory, technologists as a diabetes care and education team. Ms. Doguchi was also responsible for the introduction of a setup using passes into the outpatient education system. The pass is in the form of a card and the system using it was adopted by the Japan Association for Diabetes Education and Care in 2016 as a standard education system, and its use has expanded since then. Using her experience in instructor workshops conducted by the Ibaraki Prefectural Diabetes Association, she played a key role in organizing workshops for paramedics and was then appointed as the first chairperson of the Ibaraki Diabetes Care and Education Instructors Association. There has been great enthusiasm in the workshops and they have contributed to raising the standard of local instructors as well as to the renewal of their

certifications. In the role of Director of the Ibaraki Diabetes Association and as a member of the Ibaraki Prefecture CDE-L Certification Committee, she has been steadily contributing to diabetes care and education in the region.

Kenji Shima

Kenji Shima is considered eligible to receive the award based on the following achievements. He took the initiative in diabetes care and education by forming the Tokushima Prefecture Medical Association Diabetes Measures Group. He was a forerunner in conducting activities targeted by the Japan Council for Promotion of Countermeasures against Diabetes nationwide and in creating an organization for them. Dr. Shima has made efforts to publicize diabetes and diabetes care education in cooperation with local governments and in order to strengthen medical coordination, and he created a pass system that enabled the participation of public health nurses. Focusing on the importance of exercise therapy as a marathon runner himself, Dr. Shima was involved in the creation of “Awaodori Exercise”, “Plus 1000 Steps – Association to Promote Exercise by Prefecture Residents,” and “Step Count Diary”, which are widely known and used by prefecture residents. He has promoted diabetes care and education by drawing up Manual for Early Interventions in Diabetes Care, organizing lecture meetings, setting up the Tokushima Prefecture Medical Association Diabetologist Certification System, and launching the Regional Diabetes Care and Education Instructor Certification Project. For several years, Dr. Shima has been actively involved in the expansion of diabetes care and education, as well as in diabetes countermeasures, even in remote areas of Tokushima Prefecture, and created a solid base for the continuation and further development of such activities.

Website of Manpei Suzuki Diabetes Foundation

<http://www.suzuki-manpei-df.or.jp/english/index.html>