

Report on the 1st conference of the Research Group of Thalidomide Embryopathy of Japan

As part of the activities conducted by “*The Research Group on the various problems of the health and living situation in thalidomide-impaired people in Japan*” organized and funded by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan, we have established the Research Group of Thalidomide Embryopathy of Japan. Bringing together a total of 55 participants including experts and medical workers with experience in the treatment and study of thalidomide embryopathy (TE), as well as those who may be involved in the treatment and support of thalidomide embryopathy in the future, the 1st conference of the Research Group of Thalidomide Embryopathy of Japan closed on a successful note. During this conference, the participants exchanged information about medical treatment for TE, and engaged in active discussions about the related issues and problems. We have decided to regularly hold the conference with this initiative, and are planning to organize the 2nd conference of the Research Group of Thalidomide Embryopathy of Japan in a year.

The details of the 2nd conference will be posted on our website after the schedule is decided.

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- Date and time: 25 January 2015 (Sunday), 10:30 am - 4:20 pm
- Venue: Sola City Conference Center, Ochanomizu, Tokyo
- Organizer: The Research Group of Thalidomide Embryopathy of Japan

Program

Time	Terrace Room	Time	Room D
10:30 - 10:35	Opening Remarks Nakamura Hospital Director, National Center for Global Health and Medicine		
10:35 - 12:00	General Assembly		
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	12:00 - 13:00	Lunch
13:00 - 14:30	(1) Orthopedic issues + Rehabilitation issues	13:00 - 13:50	(2) Psychiatric/Psychological issues Lecture by Takamasa Saito
		13:50 - 14:00	Break
14:30 - 14:45	Break	14:00 - 14:50	(3) Otolaryngological issues Lecture by Yoshisato Tanaka
14:45 - 15:40	(4) Internal medical issues	14:50 - 15:00	Break
		15:00 - 15:40	(5) Radiodiagnostic /Morphological issues
15:40 - 15:50	Break	15:40 - 15:50	Break
15:50 - 16:20	Report and summary of each section		

Moderator for each section: (1) Kayamori (2) Imai (3) Ikezono (4) Hinoshita (5) Tajima

Lectures for the General Assembly (titles omitted)

1) Topics for this Research Team (Opening Remarks)

Fumihiko Hinoshita, National Center for Global Health and Medicine

2) What we ask the Thalidomide Embryopathy Research Team to achieve

President of Ishizue (Public Interest Incorporated Foundation), Tsugumichi Sato

3) Results of medical health check-up for patients with thalidomide embryopathy

Tomoko Shiga, National Center for Global Health and Medicine

4) Clinical experience in the diagnosis of thalidomide embryopathy

Ryoji Kayamori, Teikyo Heisei University

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Photographs of the conference

