Rapid Publication and Announcement of the *JCS 2011* Activities

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Dear Colleagues,

The 75th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Japanese Circulation Society (*JCS 2011*) will be held in Yokohama on March 18–20, 2011 (Congress Chairperson, Satoshi Ogawa, MD, PhD). From this year, the *Circulation Journal* will rapidly publish and announce *JCS 2011* activities as follows:

1. Late Breaking Clinical Trials Papers

Papers selected for presentation in the Late Breaking Clinical Trials (LBCT) sessions in *JCS 2011* will be rapidly published, after peer review, in the April and May issues of the Journal. In addition, these LBCT papers (*JCS 2011*) will be published online on the day of presentation in order to attract widespread attention of the attendees, as well as readers worldwide.

2. JCS 2010 Awards

We are pleased to announce the following JCS Awards to be presented during the JCS 2011 meeting:

1. Sato Award by the Japan Heart Foundation and the JCS (36th)

Ichiro Manabe, MD, PhD

(Department of Cardiovascular Medicine, The University of Tokyo Graduate School of Medicine)

"Chronic Inflammation Links Cardiovascular, Renal and Metabolic Diseases"



2. Yagi Award (20th)

Atsuhiko Naitoh, MD, PhD

(Department of Cardiovascular Regenerative Medicine, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine)

"Complement C1q Is an Activator of Wnt Signaling Involved in Mammalian Aging and in Pathogenesis of Heart Failure"



3. CPIS (Cardiovascular Pharmacotherapy International Symposium) Award (19th)

Hideyuki Kinoshita, MD, PhD

(Department of Medicine and Clinical Science, Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine)

"Inhibition of TRPC6 Channel Activity Contributes to the Antihypertrophic Effects of Natriuretic Pedtides-Guanylyl Cyclase-A Signaling in the Heart"



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4. Takayasu Award (11th)

Shun Kohsaka, MD

(Department of Cardiology, Keio University School of Medicine)

"Difference in Patient Profiles and Outcomes in Japanese vs. American Patients Undergoing Coronary Revascularization – Collaborative Study by CREDO-Kyoto and the Texas Heart Institute Research Database —"



5. Cardiovascular Surgery Award (6th)

Kazuo Kitahori, MD, PhD

(Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, The University of Tokyo Hospital)

"Precise Evaluation of Bilateral Pulmonary Artery Banding for Initial Palliation in High-Risk Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome"



6. Pediatric Cardiology Award (6th)

Kazuo Kitahori, MD, PhD

(Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, The University of Tokyo Hospital)

"Development of Left Ventricular Diastolic Dysfunction With Preservation of Ejection Fraction During Progression of Infant Right Ventricular Hypertrophy"



7. Cardiovascular Regeneration Medical Science Award (5th)

Masaki Ieda, MD, PhD

(Department of Clinical and Molecular Cardiovascular Research, Keio University School of Medicine)

"Direct Reprogramming of Fibroblasts Into Functional Cardiomyocytes by Defined Factors"



8. Woman Researcher's Award (4th)

Masami Kosuge, MD

(Division of Cardiology, Yokohama City University Medical Center)

"Simple and Accurate Electrocardiographic Criteria to Differentiate Takotsubo Cardiomyopathy From Anterior Acute Myocardial Infarction"



The final results of the Young Investigator Awards (YIA) Competition, those of the International YIA Competition and those of Comedical Awards will be announced in the next issue of the Journal.

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