

February 3, 2022

2022 Fukushima Medical University International Symposium on the Fukushima Health Management Survey, to be held on Mar. 5, 2022

1. Purpose of the Symposium

Radiation Medical Science Center for the Fukushima Health Management Survey, Fukushima Medical University (hereinafter referred to as "the Center") will hold its international symposium entitled **"Science for Society: Advancing Fukushima's Well-Being,"** aiming to disseminate the latest information obtained from the "Fukushima Health Management Survey" both domestically and internationally, to develop new scientific knowledge through discussing the obtained survey information with domestic and foreign experts, and to utilize the results to maintain and improve the health of the residents of the prefecture.

2. Outline of the program

This will be the fourth symposium, and a total of nine presenters (as of February 3rd) from Japan and overseas will join. Last time, which was held in the 10th anniversary of the nuclear accident, we focused on summarizing the results of the last 10 years. This time, we will examine the effects on the thyroid gland based on the latest dose evaluation of the 2020 report released by the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation(UNSCEAR), and discuss the impact of radiation to health of residents based on the materials obtained from the "Fukushima Health Management Survey." In light of the lessons learned from these, we will focus and discuss on what roles the Center should play for residents of the prefecture, such as the support measures necessary for them.

At the opening session, Dr. KAMIYA Kenji, the Executive Director of the Center, will present the overall outline of the Fukushima Health Management Survey and future perspectives under the title of "Fukushima Health Management Survey -Focusing on this year's report."

In Session 1, Dr. Gillian HIRTH of UNSCEAR will present the UNSCEAR 2020 report, and Dr. NIWA Ohtsura, Chairman / Representative Director of the Radiation Effects Research Foundation, and faculty members of the Center will present and discuss the direct health effects of radiation exposure.

In Session 2, Prof. Craig L. KATZ, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, and Mr. BABA Hiroshi, former Deputy Mayor Katsurao Village will give presentations on measures for health issues at the time of a disaster. Also faculty members of the Center will present and discuss necessary support measures for health issues such as depression and diabetes.

This symposium will be held with the support from Fukushima Prefecture, related organizations within the prefecture, the Cabinet Office, related ministries and agencies such as the Ministry of the Environment, and international organizations. Mr. UCHIBORI Masao, Governor of Fukushima Prefecture will give congratulatory remarks on the day.

3. Organizer

Radiation Medical Science Center for the Fukushima Health Management Survey,
Fukushima Medical University

4. Date and Venue

Mar. 5th (Sat) 2022, 9:30-17:20 JST

Fukushima Ekimae (station) Campus, Fukushima Medical University*

Multi-purpose hall (Address: 10-6 Sakaemachi, Fukushima City, Fukushima Pref.)

5. Intended Audience:

Residents of Fukushima Prefecture, health care workers, students, administrative officers, and others. Application is open to everyone.

6. Symposium holding format

On-site (Venue) and online (Zoom)

Language: Japanese and English with simultaneous interpretation.

Participation fee: None

* Thorough countermeasures against COVID-19 will be implemented. If the situation of COVID-19 infection worsens rapidly before the symposium, the venue may be changed to Zoom only (not in-person).

7. List of speakers

*FMU = Fukushima Medical University

Opening Session

General MC: Kenneth NOLLET (FMU)

Opening remarks from the organizer: TAKENOSHITA Seiichi (FMU President)

Congratulatory remarks: UCHIBORI Masao, Governor of Fukushima Prefecture (Planned)

Introduction

Chair: OHTO Hitoshi (FMU)

Fukushima Prefecture " Fukushima Health Management Survey " - Focusing on this year's report

Presenter: KAMIYA Kenji (FMU, Hiroshima University)

Session 1: Thinking about the effects of radiation in Fukushima

Chair: YASUMURA Seiji (FMU)

Chair: ISHIKAWA Tetsuo (FMU)

Keynote Lecture: Gillian HIRTH (UNSCEAR: United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation) *Remote

Lecture: NIWA Ohtsura (Chairman, The Radiation Effects Research Foundation (RERF))

Lecture: SHIMURA Hiroki (FMU)

Lecture: OHIRA Tetsuya (FMU)

-Discussion-

Session 2: Thinking about Well-being of the body and mind after a disaster

Chair: TSUBOKURA Masaharu (FMU)

Chair: TAMAKI Tomoaki (FMU)

Keynote Lecture: Craig L. KATZ (Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, USA) *Remote

Lecture: BABA Hiroshi (Former Deputy Mayor, Katsurao Village. Incumbent Assistant Director General of Social Health and Welfare Department, Fukushima Prefecture)

Lecture: MAEDA Masaharu (FMU)

Lecture: SHIMABUKURO Michio (FMU)

-Discussion-

8. Applications for coverage

Pre-registration for members of the media and journalists via our website is required

<https://sites.google.com/view/fukushimaidai2022sympo/english?authuser=0>

The deadline is noon (JST) on March 1 (Tue), 2022.



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