

Preface

The 43rd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Biomedical Mass Spectrometry

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The 43rd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Biomedical Mass Spectrometry (JSBMS) was held on September 6 and 7 in 2018 at the Hokkaido University Conference Hall, Sapporo, Japan.

The program comprised 1 special lecture, 8 symposia with 27 presentations, 89 poster presentations, 1 technology forum with 4 presentations, 4 luncheon seminars, and the International Academic Seminar co-hosted by Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. Unfortunately, the meeting was hit by a triple disaster of typhoon, earthquake, and electricity outage. For the disaster, several scheduled speakers could not reach the meeting place because of serious traffic paralysis. We were very sad about that situation.

It was a great comfort to us, however, that many programs and talks were not canceled. We had a stimulating talk by Prof. Xianlin HAN (University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio) entitled "Novel strategies and applications of enhanced shotgun lipidomics for metabolism and translational research: Lipidomics sheds light on diabetic neuropathy". Two Award Lectures by Dr. Mamoru SATOH (Chiba University) and Dr. Kei ZAITSU (Nagoya University) were attractive and motivating. It is my pleasure to inform all members that Prof. Xinrong ZHANG (Tsinghua University), whose special lecture was canceled for the disaster, will participate in the 44th Annual Meeting and give the special lecture on single cells analysis with mass spectrometry. I hope that many members come and see Prof. Zhang.

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