

Preface

The 45th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Biomedical Mass Spectrometry

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Under COVID-19 pandemic, the 45th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society for Biomedical Mass Spectrometry (JSBMS) and the joint symposium with International Symposium of JSBMS and MSACL (Mass Spectrometry & Applications to the Clinical Lab) was held on September 18 and 19, 2020, at Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan. With extraordinary efforts of the annual committee members and participants, the hybrid online and onsite style program comprised 2 plenary lectures, 2 symposium with 9 presentations, 20 oral presentations, one technology forum with 2 video presentations.

The most memorable event of the meeting was the first joint symposium between JSBMS and MSACL, which was realized with great enthusiasm of the president of MSACL, Prof. David A. Herold (University of California, San Diego) as well as Prof. Daniel T. Holmes (University of British Columbia), Prof. Sean Bendall (Stanford University) from MSACL and Prof. Yosuke Shigematsu (University of Fukui), Prof. Mitsutoshi Setou (Hamamatsu University School of Medicine) and Prof. Masaru Yoshida (Kobe University) from JSBMS. They sent us beautiful videos. Furthermore, we had exciting plenary lectures from Prof. Nathalie Y. R. Agar (Harvard Medical School) and Dr. Hisataka Kobayashi (National Cancer Institute/NIH) as a real time online presentation. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude for all the speakers as well as person who have joined the meeting.

The 46th Annual Meeting will be held on September 17 and 18, 2021, organized by Prof. Nariyasu Mano (Tohoku University). We are looking forward to seeing you in Sendai, hopefully, and exchanging the information of medical mass spectrometry.

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