

APHRS2011 REPORT

The 4th Asia Pacific Heart Rhythm Society Scientific Session 2011 (APHRS2011) In Conjunction with 7th Asia Pacific Atrial Fibrillation Symposium (7th APAFS)

20-22 September 2011

Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk, Fukuoka, Japan

REPORT

1. Registration

The 4th Asia Pacific Heart Rhythm society Scientific Session (APHRS 2011) was held in Fukuoka, Japan from September 20 to 22, 2011. This year's conference, attended by 2,553 participants from 34 countries, concluded with success. Thankfully, APHRS 2011 could provide each and every attendee with opportunities for knowledge exchange and interaction in the field of arrhythmia.

Country	Number of Participants	Percentage of Participants
Australia	14	0.55%
Austria	3	0.12%
Bangladesh	1	0.04%
Belgium	2	0.08%
Canada	6	0.24%
China	147	5.76%
Denmark	1	0.04%
Estonia	3	0.12%
Finland	4	0.16%
France	9	0.35%
Germany	8	0.31%
Hong Kong	20	0.78%
Hungary	1	0.04%
India	11	0.43%
Indonesia	6	0.24%
Italy	4	0.16%
Japan	1937	75.87%
Korea	92	3.60%
Malaysia	14	0.55%
Monaco	1	0.04%
Myanmar	5	0.20%
Netherlands	10	0.39%
New Zealand	8	0.31%
Philippines	4	0.16%
Singapore	19	0.74%
Spain	2	0.08%
Sweden	1	0.04%
Switzerland	24	0.94%
Taiwan	86	3.37%
Thailand	14	0.55%
Turkey	1	0.04%

UK	3	0.12%
USA	82	3.21%
Vietnam	10	0.39%
TOTAL	2,553	100%

2. Scientific Program

Section	Session Category	No. of Sessions	Remark
Meeting	Special Lecture	1	
	Plenary Lecture	1	
	Invited/Memorial Lecture	4	Organized by JHRS/JSE
	Special Symposium	6	
	Educational Lecture	12	4 sessions were organized by JSE
	Symposium	20	
	Joint Symposium	6	
	Workshop	1	
	Panel Discussion	2	
	Controversy	2	
	Case Tutorial	3	
	Mini Course	1	
	Video Live Session	2	
	Allied Professionals	5	3 sessions were organized by JSE
	Morning Seminar	4	
	Luncheon Seminar	33	
	Evening Seminar	2	
	Oral Session	68	29 Japanese sessions
	Chaired Poster Session	3	Organized by APHRS/JHRS/JSE
	Poster Session	4	Organized by APHRS/JHRS/JSE
Best Paper Award Session	2	Basic/Clinical	
Young Investigator Award Session	2	Basic/Clinical	
Asia Pacific CRT Expert Summit	1	Organized by Medtronic	
Others	Special Program	2	Organized by JSE
	CRD Session	1	Organized by JHRS
	Euro-Japan Arrhythmia Forum	3	Organized by St. Jude Medical
	Satellite Symposium	2	Japanese Session
	Seminar	3	Organized by JHRS
	Others	8	Organized by APHRS/JHRS/JSE
	Symposium for Public	1	Organized by JHRS/JSE
TOTAL		205	



2.1 Abstracts

A total of 936 abstracts were submitted by 19 countries and accepted for an oral/chaired poster/poster presentation. Japan posted the largest number of abstracts submitted this year as a host country, followed by Korea and China. The submitted abstracts were reviewed through the online abstract review program, which made the review process more prompt and accurate, by our 46 judges; 23 abstracts receiving the highest scores in the review process were chosen to be presented orally in the Best Paper Basic/Clinical Sessions and in the Young Investigator Basic/Clinical Sessions. After such oral presentations, three abstracts for each best paper session were selected to be awarded the first, second, and third place best paper prizes at the Gala Dinner, and three abstracts for each young investigator session were selected to be awarded the first, second, and third place young investigator prizes at the Gala Dinner.

No.	Country	Session			No. of abstracts submitted
		Oral	Chaired Poster	Poster	
1	Australia	6	-	3	9
2	Austria	1	-	-	1
3	Bangladesh	-	-	1	1
4	Canada	-	-	1	1
5	China	9	-	11	20
6	Germany	6	-	-	6
7	India	1	-	6	7
8	Indonesia	1	-	1	2
9	Japan	273	21	422	715

10	Korea	46	3	27	76
11	Malaysia	4	-	3	7
12	Myanmar	-	-	1	1
13	Netherlands	2	-	-	2
14	New Zealand	-	2	-	2
15	Philippines	-	1	9	10
16	Singapore	4	-	14	18
17	Taiwan	13	2	15	30
18	USA	7	1	2	10
19	Vietnam	-	-	-	1
TOTAL		373 from 13 countries	30 from 6 countries	517 from 15 countries	920



2.2 Best Paper Awardees

No.	Award		Awardees	Country
1	Best Paper Award / Basic	1 st Prize	Tomonori Igarashi	USA/Japan
2		2 nd Prize	Boyoung Joung	Korea
3		3 rd Prize	Shu-Hsuan Chang	Taiwan
4	Best Paper Award / Clinical	1 st Prize	Hung-Yu Chang	Taiwan
5		2 nd Prize	Taishi Kuwahara	Japan
6		3 rd Prize	Kiyoshi Otomo	Japan



2.3 Young Investigator Awardees

No.	Award		Awardees	Country
1	Young Investigator Award / Basic	1 st Prize	Masatoshi Yamazaki	USA
2		2 nd Prize	Seiko Ohno	Japan
3		3 rd Prize	Hany S Abed	Australia
4	Young Investigator Award / Clinical	1 st Prize	Hiroshi Ashikaga	USA
5		2 nd Prize	Yoshihisa Naruse	Japan
6		3 rd Prize	Toon Wei Lim	Singapore



2.3 Abstract Reviewer

No.	Category	Reviewer	Country
1	Atrial Fibrillation	Shih-Ann Chen	Taiwan
2		Kenzo Hirao	Japan
3		Yoshito Iesaka	Japan
4		Hiroshi Inoue	Japan
5		Jonathan Kalman	Australia
6		Young-Hoon Kim	Korea
7		Yoshinori Kobayashi	Japan
8		Yasushi Miyauchi	Japan
9		Mohan Nair	India
10		Toshihiko Ohara	Japan
11		Kaoru Okishige	Japan
12		Kikuya Uno	Japan
13		Teiichi Yamane	Japan
14	Basic Science / Genetic of Arrhythmias	Tetsushi Furukawa	Japan
15		Masayasu Hiraoka	Japan
16		Minoru Horie	Japan
17		Naomasa Makita	Japan
18		Kastushige Ono	Japan
19		Tsu-Juey Wu	Taiwan
20	Pharmacology	Chern-En Chiang	Taiwan
21		Kazuo Matsumoto	Japan
22		Seil Oh	Korea
23		Kaoru Sugi	Japan

24		Kaoru Tanno	Japan
25	Device	Christine Chiu-Man	Canada
26		Youichi Kobayashi	Japan
27		Chu-Pak Lau	Hong Kong
28		Mahito Noro	Japan
29		Razali Omar	Malaysia
30		Morio Shoda	Japan
31	Electrophysiology / SVT	Takao Katoh	Japan
32		Sung-Soon Kim	Korea
33		Iain Melton	New Zealand
34		Ken Okumura	Japan
35		Naokata Sumitomo	Japan
36	Non-Invasive Electrophysiology	Takanori Ikeda	Japan
37		Jiunn-Lee Lin	Taiwan
38		Muhammad Munawar	Indonesia
39		Yuji Nakazato	Japan
40		Mitsuhiro Nishizaki	Japan
41	Ventricular Arrhythmias / SCD	Kazutaka Aonuma	Japan
42		Takashi Nitta	Japan
43		Akihiko Nogami	Japan
44		Wataru Shimizu	Japan
45		Wee-Siong Teo	Singapore
46		Shu Zhang	China
TOTAL		46 Abstracts Reviewers from 12 countries	

3. Faculty Member

APHRs 2011 brought together a total of 282 Faculty Members from 30 different countries to provide a lecture on arrhythmia.

No.	Country	Number of Faculty Members
1	Australia	5
2	Austria	3
3	Bangladesh	1
4	Canada	5
5	China	13
6	Finland	1
7	France	8
8	Germany	6
9	Hong Kong	11
10	Hungary	1
11	India	6
12	Indonesia	4
13	Italy	3
14	Japan	100
15	Korea	26
16	Malaysia	2
17	Monaco	1
18	Netherlands	6

19	New Zealand	4
20	Philippines	2
21	Singapore	4
22	Spain	2
23	Sweden	1
24	Switzerland	3
25	Taiwan	29
26	Thailand	1
27	Turkey	1
28	UK	3
29	USA	29
30	Vietnam	1
	30 Countries	282

4. Exhibition

The scientific session was held in conjunction with the exhibition displaying a wide array of medical equipment and products. A total of 24 companies occupied 183 booths on the exhibit floor, providing a market place for vendors from around the world, and a chance for participants to get a glimpse into the latest developments in the field of arrhythmia.

5. Sponsors

Thanks to our generous sponsors, participants could comfortably share knowledge and enjoy the pleasant interaction with their peers and colleagues during the conference. APHRS 2011 sponsors were included in four categories: Platinum (St. Jude Medical and Medtronic), Gold (Johnson & Johnson K.K.), Bronze (Boston Scientific and Japan Lifeline), and Education (Biotronik).

6. Official Programs

i) APHRS Official Meetings

During the APHRS 2011, the APHRS Board Meeting was held twice, in the morning of September 21 and 22. The APHRS Editors' Meeting was also held on September 22.

The APHRS-HRS and APHRS-EHRA Leadership Meetings were held on September 19 and 20.



7. Social Programs

i) Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception

The APHRS 2011 Opening Ceremony was held at Argos B, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel, from 18:30 on September 20, 2011. Dr. Yoshito Iesaka, President of 7th APAFS, and Dr. Masayasu Hiraoka, President of APHRS 2011, each delivered the Welcome Address. Dr. Shih-Ann Chen (APHRS), Dr. Bruce Wilkoff (HRS), and Dr. Angelo Auricchio (EHRA) gave the Congratulatory Address.

After the Opening Ceremony, the Welcome Reception was held at Atrium, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel with a standing buffet. Dr. Tohru Ohe delivered the Opening Speech.





ii) Faculty Dinner

On the second day of APHRS 2011, the Organizing Committee of APHRS 2011 hosted the Faculty Dinner at Argos A & B, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel. It was open to APHRS 2011 Faculty Members and their spouses only.



iii) Closing Ceremony and Gala Dinner

Dr. Hiraoka delivered closing remarks and Dr. Sugi summarized APHRS 2011. Dr. Young-Hoon Kim also overviewed APHRS 2011 as a Secretary General of APHRS.

The APHRS 2011 Gala Dinner was held at Tinga Tinga, Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk Hotel on September 22 with all participants and faculty members. The Best Paper and Young Investigator Award Ceremony was held during the dinner, followed by a flashback video of APHRS 2011. An overview of the APHRS 2012 was also presented by APHRS President, Dr. Shih-Ann Chen.



