Japanese Society of Toxicology (JSOT)

Main activities and annual meetings
The 45th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Toxicology (JSOT) took place at Osaka International Convention Center in Osaka, from July 18 through 20, 2018. The President of the annual meeting was Dr. Mamoru MUTAI (Mitsubishi Tanabe Pharma). The Annual meeting has been concluded successfully with the 1,600 delegates in attendance. The full program of the meeting can be seen on the meeting website.

As a result of more than six years of collaboration, including exchange of the Memorandum of Understanding in 2014, this meeting was performed, for the first time in the history of JSOT, side-by-side with the 40th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Society of Clinical Toxicology (JSCT) (President: Prof. Gakushi SHIMAZU, Osaka University) at the same venue in Osaka. At the Memorial Ceremony on Collaboration, signed posters and abstract booklets were exchanged. And a Ceremonial Lecture for the joint activity entitled “Standard treatment of acute poisoning, how should it be”, co-symposiums on “Toxicology of Doping”, “Cholinergic central nervous and peripheral neurotoxicity, its basic biology and clinical treatments” and other joint activities were performed. The picture above is a snap shot after the Ceremony of Presidents of the annual meetings, Presidents of the Societies and members of the Liaison committees.

At the General assembly meeting during the 45th annual meeting, the following Board of Directors were approved (2018-2020):
- Prof. Yoshito KUMAGAI (University of Tsukuba) as President of the JSOT,
- Dr. Akihiko HIROSE (NIHS) as Secretary-General,
- Prof. Toshiyuki KAJI (Tokyo University of Science), as Editorial Committee Chair,
- Dr. Mutsumi SUZUKI (Kyowa Kirin), as Educational Committee Chair,
- Dr. Toyohiko AOKI (EA Pharma), as Financial Committee Chair,
- Prof. Yasumitsu OGRA (Chiba University), as Science and Publicity Committee Chair.

The 46th Annual Meeting (46JSOT) will be held at ASTY Tokushima in Tokushima, June 26-28, 2019. President of the annual meeting is Prof. Seiichiro HIMENO (Tokushima Bunri University) The Meeting information is available on the meeting website. The theme of 46JSOT meeting is “Toxicology, the foundation of sustainable environment, society and industry”. The symposia (28), workshops (7), and special lectures (12) will cover all aspects of toxicology including computer toxicology, agents- and diseases-oriented toxicology, and innovative new technologies. Tokushima is a small local city, where
the startling whirlpools of Naruto channel and the traditional dancing festival of Awa Dancing are attracting lots of sightseeing people. We would like all members of JSOT and allied societies to join the annual meeting in Tokushima as an active attendee in presentation, discussion and exchange of novel information. And enjoy the traditional dancing with saying "fool to dance" rather than “fool to see”. The 47th and 48th annual meetings will be held in Sendai (June 2020) and in Kobe (July 2021), respectively.