

Members of Japanese Society of Clinical Ecology (JSCE), distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen!!

On behalf of JSCE and Executive Committee of the International Congress of Clinical Ecology in Asahikawa, it is our great pleasure to have the 1st International Congress of Clinical Ecology at the city of Asahikawa under the sponsorship of Asahikawa City Authorities Executive Committee in Asahikawa and JSCE.

I am very happy to inform you that this is the first time to use the new building of Taisetsu Crystall Hall was completed very recently.

In this congress, excellent lectures will be made by very eminent guest-scholars from abroad as well as the guests from Japan in regard to Clinical Ecology. We also have very interesting free papers on clinical and basic aspects of Ecology in Medicine.

Frequently, environmentally-induced illness goes largely unrecognized, because of lack of training and understanding among physicians, in general, about the etiology and preventable aspects of this problem, and by the diverse and sometimes confusing symptoms that may be produced. The medical condition of chemical sensitivity is a growing problem that appears to generate symptoms outside the usual allergic mechanisms. Possibly, pathways appears to involve an instability of the autonomic nervous system to varying degrees. Patients with this condition may have symptoms triggered on exposure to levels of various substances that have previously been thought of a safe and well tolerated by most people. JSCE will help those patients adding informations of our own and of advanced countries from abroad.

The period of congress is limited only 2 days, however, I do hope that you will receive lots of new scientific knowledges through this meeting.

We are very honored to have the 1st international meeting of Clinical Ecology in the city of Asahikawa.

I also would like to express my special and deep appreciation to committee members of JSCE, Mr Toru Bando, Mayor of Asahikawa City, Professor Tetsuya Shimizu, President of Asahikawa Medical College, Professor Yasushi Abiko and Dr. Tadashi Murakami who are the Vice Presidents of the Congress, Members of The City Authorities, Asahikawa Medical College, Kitasato University and Mitsubishi Research Institute Inc. to prepare this congress.



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Satoshi Ishikawa, M.D., Ph.D.
President of The Japanese Society of Clinical Ecology
President of JSCE's Organizing committee of ICCE
Professor, Kitasato University

Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the executive committee, I cordially welcome all of you the International Congress of Clinical Ecology here in Asahikawa.

The Japan Society of Clinical Ecology is actively engaged in research activity under the presidency of Professor Satoshi Ishikawa of Kitasato University. I believe it is extremely worthwhile for Asahikawa to host the International Congress which has been organized under the joint auspices of the Japan Society of Clinical Ecology and an executive committee of the International Congress of Clinical Ecology.

As President of Asahikawa Medical College, I will do my best to support this significant gathering along with the other members of our college. The Asahikawa meeting will provide many great opportunities as it gives researchers a chance to share and discuss data within common academic fields, specifically the interaction between the environment and living systems.

As we enter the harvest season here, in Asahikawa, I am sure this Congress will likewise yield a rich harvest.



**Tetsuya Shimizu, M. D., Ph. D.
President of Asahikawa Medical College
President of Executive Committee
of ICCE in Asahikawa**

Mayor's greeting for the opening ceremony of international congress of clinical ecology

It is very grateful for us to have many doctors and researchers both from domestic and foreign countries and to hold the international congress of clinical ecology here in Asahikawa. I would like to welcome all of you from the bottom of my heart. And I hereby would like to show our gratitude to the staff of Japan clinical ecology academy, Kitasato University, Asahikawa Medical College, and all the people who understand and help holding this congress.

I understand that CLINICAL ECOLOGY researches the relation between environments and human bodies and deals with variable diseases caused by the environments.

Surrounded by full of nature, our city has the population of 360,000. We have many urban functions; such as educational, research, and medical insutitutions.

So we think our city Asahikawa is the most appropriate place for researching the relation between environments and human beings.

In the fourth master plan for national development, the national government decided to proceed Asahikawa medical treatment base by utilizing our abundant nature and the concentrated urban functions and the medical institutions.

With this background, the Japan clinical ecology academy was just born in Asahikawa in April of 1992. After holding some domestic congress, we are honored to have an opportunity to hold the international congress here this time.

We hope the clinical ecology will greatly develop here in Asahikawa and sincerely wish the relation between environments and human bodies will be solved. I hope the citizens of Asahikawa also notice we have wonderful circumstances and the research of the relation between environments and diseases will be done here in Asahikawa.

With all the citizens present here. I sincerely hope this international congress of clinical ecology will be very successful and would like to conclude my welcoming address with our appreciation for all the doctors, researchers, and the people who understand and help holding this congress. Thank you very much.



Toru Bando

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Mayor of Asahikawa City