



Høst-Madsen Award 2009

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The Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) has awarded FIP's highest scientific honour, the Høst-Madsen Medal, to Dr Yuichi Sugiyama. The medal is given every two years to an outstanding pharmaceutical scientist and is offered by the Danish Pharmaceutical Association to honour the memory of former FIP President Dr Høst-Madsen.

Dr Sugiyama received his pharmacy degree in 1971 from the University of Tokyo and went on to complete a PhD in Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the same institution. He held a post-doctoral research position at the University of Tokyo during 1974-1988, and from 1979-1981 he concurrently served as a visiting scientist at the University of California Los Angeles. He returned to the University of Tokyo as an associate professor and since 1991 he has been the Professor and Chair of the Department of Molecular Pharmacokinetics. In 2005 he became a Professor in the Laboratory of Regulatory Sciences and in 2008 the Dean of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences and School of Pharmacy.

Dr Sugiyama has contributed to many Japanese and International publications in the role of Editor (*Pharmaceutical Research, Biopharmaceutics and Drug Disposition*) and on Editorial Review Boards (*Journal of Pharmacokinetics and Biopharmaceutics, Drug Discovery Today*). He has worked to advance his profession by lending his expertise to many pharmaceutical societies and from 2006-2007 he served as President of both the International Society for the Study of Xenobiotics and the Japanese Society for the Study of Xenobiotic Metabolism and Disposition. Dr Sugiyama has played an active role in FIP, as an Expert Member of the Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences from 1994-1999 and as Chairman of said Board from 2000-2004.

Throughout his career, Dr Sugiyama has collaborated with his colleagues on numerous occasions as a prominent member of organisation committees and government projects. He was Chair of the Pharmaceutical Sciences World Conference in 2004, Co-chair of FIP's World Congress in 2001, and Co-chair of the Millennial World Congress of Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2000. His country has routinely sought Dr Sugiyama's assistance, granting him positions as Program Officer and Project Leader studying molecular imaging and gene function, respectively.

Dr Sugiyama has been the recipient of countless awards including FIP Pharmaceutical Scientist of the Year (1994), Scientific Achievement Award from the Pharmaceutical Society of Japan (2004) and holds the highest number of citations in the last ten years (1997-2007) in the field of "Pharmacology and Toxicology".

As a member of numerous prestigious academies, Dr Sugiyama is an incredibly accomplished and decorated scientist. FIP would like to extend sincere congratulations to Dr Sugiyama for this most deserved honour.

The FIP Høst-Madsen Medal has been presented to Dr. Yuichi Sugiyama during the Opening Ceremony of the FIP World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in Istanbul, Turkey.

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