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Parent Program

For parents who have lost a baby to stillbirth, SIDS or other causes

- Do all human beings grieve in the same way? How do Japanese experience grief? What are the bereavement rituals in the world's major religions? What should counsellors and other caretakers know when helping minority cultures through grief? Why do Westerners and secularized groups have a harder time with death? Listen to this fascinating discussion in Grief Across Cultures by the authors Kunio Yanagida and Pittu Laungani.
- How can colours reflect your emotional state? Hear from an expert about this fascinating topic or find out first hand in the experiential Art Therapy workshop by therapists Erivo Watanabe and Yoshiko Sugihara. A session for children will also be offered. No art experience necessary.
- Can music-making bring you peace of mind? During this Health Rhythms Music Therapy session you will participate in making beautiful rhythmic music that will allow you to express those things that cannot be expressed with words. No experience on an instrument necessary. Facilitators Haruki Niyekawa, Nozomi Nagasaki and John Yost.
- What are the advantages of different types of grief care? Find out in this special session: Peer counselling and Professional counselling- the differences. Experts from around the world will talk on this subject: Keiko Yoshida, Yoko Hashimoto, Graham Harris, Ann Giljohan, Trine Giving Kalstad.
- What are normal grief reactions for bereaved siblings? How can we help them? How should couples cope with grief together? How do grandparents feel when their child loses a child? Through their personal and professional experience, our panel of experts including, Eline Grelland, Ryota Hosoya, Toru Takeuchi and Sandra Graben will answer these questions in Grief of the Family.
- Meet the Expert Meetings: These meetings will allow parents to talk with each other about their experience of losing a baby and will provide an opportunity to ask questions to our panel of experts that will include a befriender, a pediatrician, an obstetrician, and a psychologist.
- Befriender Workshop: An intermediate level course for parent supporters will be taught by certified bereavement counsellor and educator Ann Giljohan.

Health Professional Program

For Health Professionals that care for bereaved families

- Are bereaved families receiving the care they need in Japan? The session Grief Care in Japan will cover the latest studies and examine a model of care. Shunpei Yokota, Yasue Omori. Yasuo Takeda, Akiko Goto, Atsuko Kotoku,
- Is lack of breastfeeding a risk factor for SIDS? Specialists in the field cannot agree on the answer to this question. Breastfeeding and SIDS will give a summary of the research to date and examine the relationship between bed sharing and breastfeeding. Shigeko Horiuchi, Takeshi Horiuchi, Bernt Alm. Tony Nelson, Hiromi Eto, Ritsuko Toda, Masumi Imura.
- For the many medical professionals who are frequently faced with stillbirth and infant death in their daily lives, two symposiums and a workshop on How to Care for Bereaved Families will offer the chance to learn from experts from around the world on caring and coping. Masato Takeuchi, Michael Berman, Jillian Romm, Sherokee Ilse, Jenni Thomas, Ann Deri-Bowen, Naoko Ota,
- What methods can be used to treat parents sensitively at the place and time of their baby's death and when explaining autopsy results? Experienced pathologists and police will suggest answers to these important questions at our session How to Explain Autopsy. Roger Byard, Toshiko Sawaguchi, Munehiro Sugiyama, Aschield Vege, Philip Beh, Police from Norway (Ms. Lisbeth Sveum) and Japan.
- How are people affected by the death of a baby? Authors Michael Berman, Jillian Romm, and Sherokee Ilse will give us the perspective of a doctor, a nurse and a bereaved parent who have experienced loss. Psychologist Hisako Watanabe will explain how the death of a child affects future generations: Effects of Death.
- Do day care workers and medical professionals know about SIDS risk factors? For the latest statistics and an overview of how to reduce the risks in a day care or hospital nursery setting: Reducing the Risks. Noriko Nakamura, Rika Maruyama, Hiroshi Nishida, Larry Consenstein.

SIDS Scientific Program

For medical professionals and researchers in the fields of SIDS and pediatrics.

Japan's Low Rates: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Fight Against SIDS in Japan. Japan has the world's lowest infant and SIDS mortality rate. What are the key factors?

Definition and Diagnosis. SIDS was originally defined in 1969. Since then there have been several suggested modifications to this definition, the latest in 2004. This symposium will discuss the need for a new definition and seek consensus.

Case History Discussion. The "cause" of a sudden unexpected death in infancy may be difficult to determine despite undertaking a detailed autopsy and review of the circumstances of death. This clinico-pathological discussion will illustrate how an appropriate diagnosis may be achieved. Litigation in those placed prone to sleep (suffocation, hyperthermia, infection, gastric aspiration vs. SIDS) will be covered.

Co-sleeping: Looking Into the Future. Should we discourage sleeping with baby? This symposium will address the advantages and disadvantages of parent-infant co-sleeping from an anthropological, epidemiological and physiological perspective.

Safe Sleep Environment How do we assess whether a particular environment or sleep setting is hazardous? If it is potentially hazardous, how do we assess whether the occurrence of a death in that environment is in fact due to the consequences of those hazards, or merely a death from unknown causes in an infant at high risk? (Bed sharing will be covered in a separate session and not considered here.)

Infection and Inflammatory Responses in SIDS. Epidemiological studies and autopsy findings indicate that many SIDS infants had minor infections prior to death and potent bacterial toxins have been identified in many of these babies. There is also evidence that inflammatory responses have been induced in many SIDS infants. This session will provide an update on studies carried out to determine how risk factors for SIDS could affect the inflammatory responses to infections which can in turn affect many of the physiological mechanisms proposed to contribute to sudden death.

<u>Tissue Bank.</u> This symposium provides guidance on establishing a tissue bank and what it may be used for.

Home monitoring and polysomnography. Home monitors may not only be used to alarm to potentially dangerous

changes in cardiorespiratory signals but may also be used to get better insights into the pathomechanisms leading to SIDS. What is the best combination of parameters that should be monitored at home, how can parental compliance with these devices be improved, and what can we learn about SIDS from memory monitor recordings? Also, is QT elongation truly relevant to SIDS? This session will give an update about latest research addressing these questions.

Genetic Risk Factors for Sudden Infant Death. Genetic studies have identified multiple ways in which infants dying suddenly and unexpectedly differ from healthy infants and infants dying from other causes. This symposium will provide an overview of genetic risk factors for sudden infant death that have been identified thus far.

From Genetic Processes to Integrative Cardiovascular and Breathing Control. This neurobiology symposium links the preceding genetics session with integrative neural processes underlying breathing and cardiovascular control.

There will also be sessions on: Cardiopulmonary Mechanisms, Thermal Mechanisms, and The Andre Kahn Memorial Symposium on Arousal Mechanisms and SIDS.

Speakers

Thomas Bajanowski Rumiko Matsuoka Caroline Blackwell **Fd Mitchell** Jane Blood-Siegfried Jim Morris Roger Byard Satoshi Nakagawa Robert Carpenter Haiime Nakamura Aurore Cote Masahiro Nakavama Peter Fleming Masaaki Narita Patricia Franco Hiroshi Nishida Michio Fukumizu Naoki Nishida Claude Gaultier Toshimasa Obonai Ron Harper Yuri Ozawa Kiyoshi Hayasaka Christian Poets Rosemary Horne Torleiv Rognum Carl E Hunt Masamichi Sakanoue Kotaro Ichikawa Kazuvuki Saito Ineko Kato Toshiko Sawaguchi Hisashi Kawashima Peter Sidebotham Tom Keens Sachio Takashima Hiroyuki Kitajima Hajime Togari Jun Kohvama Seiii Yamaguchi Akihisa Kouno Adrian Walker Henry Krous Debra Weese-Maver Michael Corwin Ryoji Matoba

Stillbirth Scientific Program

For medical professionals and researchers in the fields of stillbirth and obstetrics

Epidemiology of Stillbirths. What are the changes in patterns and main preventive challenges? **What is it with Japan?** What can we learn from the background for stillbirth epidemiology in Japan and Eastern cultures' understanding of stillbirth?

Unexplained Stillbirths. Why do they occur? Are they SIDS in intrauterine life?

Neuroimaging and Neuropathology. Can these methods help find the cause of death in stillbirth?

Genes and the Environment. Is the risk of stillbirth associated with genes and toxins in our milieu?

Infection and Inflammation. What is the impact on early and late stillbirths?

Stillbirth in Multiple Pregnancies. What is the risk and how should these pregnancies be managed?

In Utero Environment. Can stillbirth be predicted from fetal characteristics, determinants and markers?

Maternal Kick-Counting. Is reduced fetal movement a warning for stillbirth? How should these be objectively measured and how should such a pregnancy be managed?

Preventing Stillbirth. Can we prevent Stillbirth? Can stillbirth prevention be done by simple means in developing countries? What can be learned from SIDS Prevention? What are the future challenges in research?

Speakers:

Abdul Jokhio Gordon Smith Hamisu Salihu J. Frederik Frøen Makoto Takeuchi Ruth Fretts Shoichi Sakamoto Yee Khong



Open Forum for the Japanese Public

(Japanese Only)

Safe Childcare Environment, from Fetus to Infant

Moderators: Hiroshi Nishida, Hiromi Etou Effects of mother smoking: Akira Endou Effects of antenatal alcohol: Kubo Takahiko

Breast feeding: Takeo Sakai

Tongue tie and SIDS: Kazuhiko Cho Car seat safety: Sachiyo Kataoka

Safe antenatal environment and delivery: Utako Yamamoto Safe sleeping environment for infants: Bernard T Kinane



Venue

Pacifico Yokohama is a modern convention site located on the waterfront in Yokohama about 30 minutes by car or rail from the center of Tokyo. The entire conference can take place at the one site, making it convenient and easy for our guests from overseas. The Airport Limousine Bus and JR Narita Express Trains are in operation from New Tokyo International Airport (Narita). www.pacifico.co.jp/index_e.html

The choice of accommodation for the conference is extensive with a wide price range to suit the budget of all delegates, including the possibility of a very inexpensive home stay program. The hotels are located at the conference site or within walking distance to the conference. Hotel and Tour Reservations by Japan Travel Bureau.



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- Japan Breast Feeding Association
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- Japan Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Japanese Midwives' Association
- Japan Academy of Midwifery



Other Events

Memorial Service

The memorial service will take place in the beautiful Sojiji Buddhist temple complex. Monks chant to create the amazing calm of the Buddhist ceremony at the grand alter, an experience not to be missed. The evening will also include a vegetarian meal prepared by the monks and Zazen meditation.

Party and Cultural Events

A sumptuous dinner of Japanese and Western food will be served at our Welcoming Party, with traditional Japanese drumming and a rhythm circle as entertainment.

Opportunities for attending tea ceremony, incense ceremony, aromatherapy sessions or for learning flower arrangement, Japanese calligraphy and kimono-wearing will be provided throughout the conference.

Tours

Two half-day tours will be offered:

- Asakusa Kannon Temple dating from the 7th Century, Tokyo's oldest temple with centuries-old shopping street.
- Kamakura a quiet town that is home to the Great Buddha (cast in 1252) and Hasedera Temple whose main objects of worship are the eleven-headed Kannon and Jizo, the guardian deity of children.
- See our webpage www.sids.gr.jp for more details and for many more possibilities for sight-seeing in and around Yokohama.



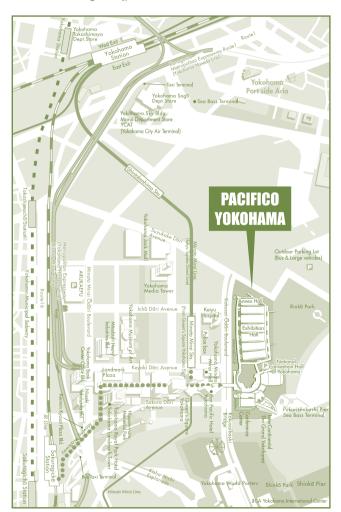
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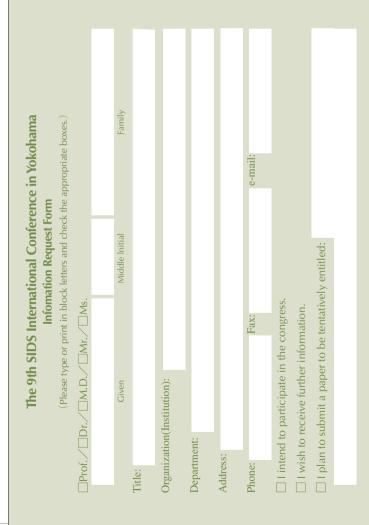
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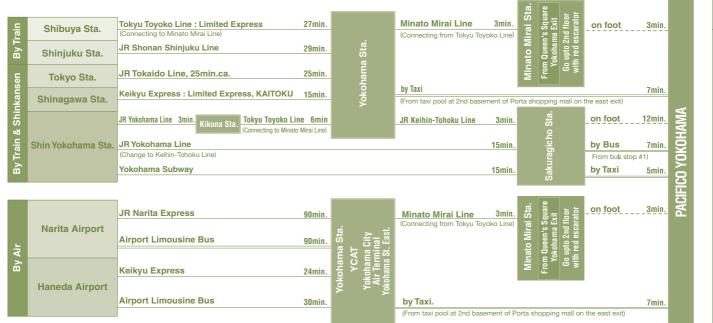
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