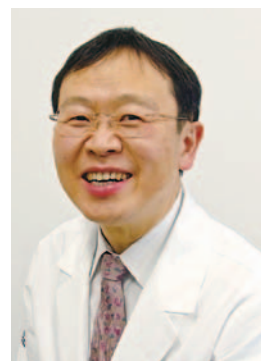


2010 Overview of Departmental Research Laboratories

2010年度 研究の統括

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In 2010 the laboratories of the Hokkaido University Department of Dermatology published numerous original and unforgettable research papers. (See My Special Paper: page 63) All were completed after many years of research in the laboratories and many series of edits by me. Each is equally memorable and excellent. Dr. Yasuyuki Fujita's paper won the Japanese Dermatological Association Award for 2010. (See Topics 2: page 30)

I first met Dr. Fujita in my class when I gave my first dermatology lecture at Hokkaido University. He was in his fourth year at the Medical School. I happened to be looking for a student to assist me in writing the Dermatology Textbook for Medical Students at Hokkaido University. Dr. Fujita, who was then Mr. Fujita, was seated in the front row, and he drew my attention. I invited him into my project. I suppose he took interest in dermatology during the course of assisting me. He joined the department later. He studied hard after joining the department and continued his research under the guidance of Dr. Riichiro Abe. His endeavors have resulted in the above mentioned award. I am delighted, because the papers from our department were highly regarded at home and abroad again this year.

The department labs had some personnel changes. Dr. Masashi Akiyama moved on to become Professor at Nagoya University. Dr. Toshifumi Nomura, back from overseas research, was promoted to Instructor and became Chief of the 1st Lab, succeeding Dr. Akiyama. Dr. Wataru Nishie, who is back from overseas study, was promoted to Assistant Professor. He started to serve as Chief of the 2nd and 3rd Labs, succeeding Dr. Akihiko Shibaki, who left the department. Dr. Riichiro Abe, who was promoted to Associate Professor, continues to lead the 4th Lab as Chief.

During the past year, four of the department members have become Instructors. They will be the core for research in the labs. Three dermatologists have joined the Ph.D course of department. With these fresh members I will further endeavor in my research with a refreshed mind.

The Department of Dermatology will continue to advance so that efforts by the members will result in achievements worthy of another Japanese Dermatological Association Award.

2010年も北大皮膚科の研究室から、今後も忘れることのできない数々のオリジナル論文を発表することができました(私の一編:右ページから)。一つ一つの論文は、北大皮膚科で何年間もかけて研究をし、私も何度も校正した、思い出深い甲乙つけがたい論文ばかりです。そしてその中のひとつ、藤田靖幸先生の論文が今年の日本皮膚科学会賞(皆見賞)に輝きました(トピックス2:P30参照)。

藤田君と初めて出会ったのは、彼が医学部4年の学生時代、私が北大で初めて皮膚科講義を行った年でした。私は「北大医学生のための皮膚科テキスト」の執筆の手伝いをしてくれる学生を探しており、たまたま講義で一番前の席に座っていた藤田君を誘いました。彼はこのことを通じて皮膚科への興味を深めてくれたのでしょうか、そのまま教室に入局してくれました。入局後も人一倍真摯に研鑽を続け、阿部理一郎先生の指導のもと研究にも励み、今回の受賞となりました。今年も北大皮膚科から発信された論文が、国外・国内の両方で評価されたということは本当に嬉しく思っています。

研究室の人事面では、第1研究室チーフ秋山真志先生の名古屋大学教授就任に伴い、留学から帰国して助教に昇進した乃村俊史先生がチーフを引き継ぎました。第3研究室チーフ芝木晃彦先生の退室に伴い、留学から帰国し講師に昇進した西江渉先生が第2・第3研究室のチーフを務めています。第4研究室は准教授に昇進した阿部理一郎先生が引き続きチーフを務めています。

さらに最近1年間に、これからの研究室の核となる4人の新たな助教が誕生し、3人の新しい大学院生を迎えました。フレッシュなメンバーとともに、初心に帰って、さらに研究に精進していきたいと思えます。

今後も皆の努力が実を結び、日本皮膚科学会賞(皆見賞)に値するような北大皮膚科教室オリジナルの研究成果が続くよう、教室は歩み続けます。