

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Graduated from Osaka University, School of Medicine March, 1977. Obtained M.D.

Clinical Training at Osaka University Hospital from June, 1977 to May, 1978.

Graduate student in the Department of Medicine, Osaka University, School of Medicine from April, 1980 to March, 1984. Obtained Ph.D.

Positions Held

Physician in the Department of Internal Medicine, Sakai Municipal Hospital, Sakai, Osaka from June, 1978 to March, 1980.

Fellowship of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science in the Institute for Molecular and Cellular Biology, Osaka University from April, 1984 to February, 1985.

Research Fellow in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, California University, Berkeley from March, 1985 to May, 1987.

Research Associate in the Institute for Molecular and Cellular Biology, Osaka University from June, 1987 to April, 1995.

Associate Professor in the Institute for Molecular and Cellular Biology, Osaka University from May, 1995 to December, 1995.

Professor of Biochemistry, Hyogo College of Medicine from January, 1996 to March, 1999.

Research Head in CREST (Core Research for Evolutional Science and Technology) and SORST (Solution Oriented Research for Science and Technology) of Japan Science and Technology Corporation (JST) from April, 1996 to October, 2002.

Professor of Department of Host Defense, Research Institute for Microbial Diseases, Osaka University from April, 1999 to present.

Project Director of AKIRA Innate Immunity, ERATO (Exploratory Research for Advanced Technology) of Japan Science and Technology Corporation (JST) from November, 2002 to present

Professional Society Memberships

Japanese Society for Immunology
Japanese Society for Molecular Biology
Japanese Society for Biochemistry
Japanese Society for Molecular Cell Biology of Macrophages
International Cytokine Society
International Endotoxin Society
American Association of Immunologist
Microbes and Infection (Associate Editor, 2003-present)
International Immunology (Associate Editor, 2000-present)
Journal of Immunology (Associate Editor, 2003-present)
PloS Biology (Editorial Board, 2003-present)

Awards and Honors

2000 Inoue Prize for Science
2001 The Hideyo Noguchi Memorial Award for Medical Sciences
2002 Osaka Science Prize
2003 Takeda Prize for Medical Science
2004 The Prize of Princess Takamatsu Cancer Research Fund
2004 Donnal E. Thomas Award at 15th Symposium on Molecular Biology of Hematopoiesis
2004 Robert Koch Prize