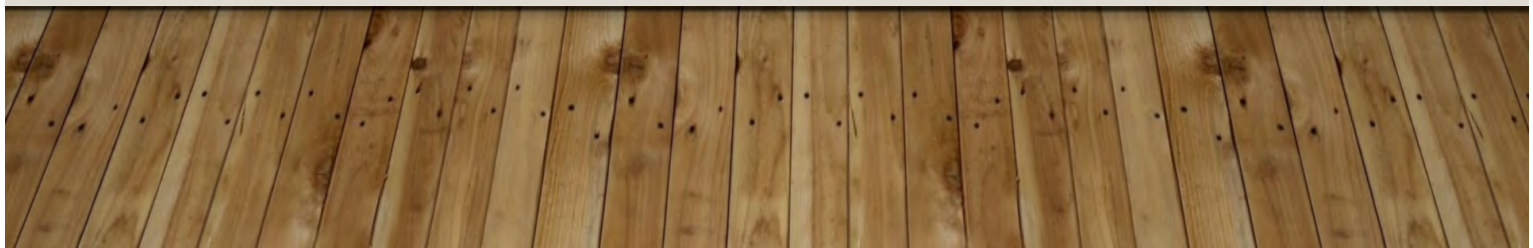


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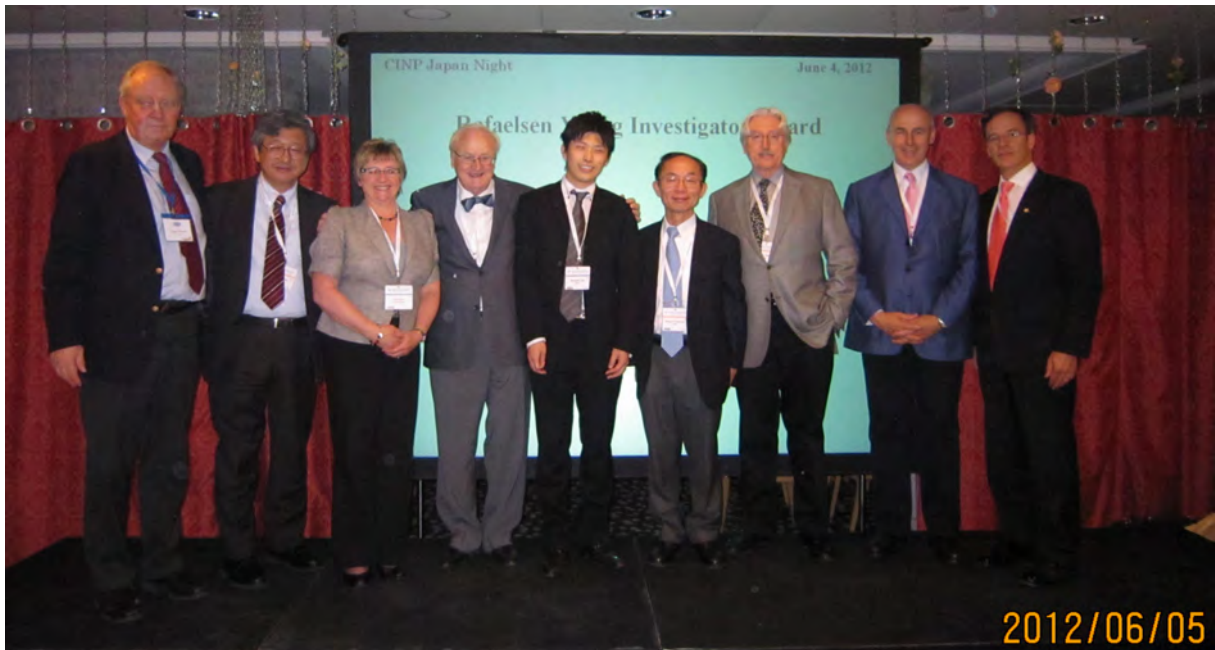
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Since the year 1990 I am frequently travelling to Japan to give lectures in different university departments and research institutions, as well as participating in national as well as international scientific meetings. I was always impressed by the high level of scientific knowledge and soundness of the preparation of meetings and individual lectures of the established as well as the young researchers. The Japanese colleagues excellently managed to combine clinical knowledge and scientific progress for the benefit of the understanding and treatment of psychiatric patients. With pleasure I did notice that in some Japanese hospitals charts of patients still contain German wordings of disease states, like “*Sensitiver Beziehungswahn*” or “*Vorbeireden*” which indicates that former colleagues came from Japan to Germany and Austria to learn our psychopathological system as well as disease understandings. However, nowadays the US System, exemplified by DSM has taken over the daily routine, but could benefit from a more sound knowledge of European Disease understandings.

In international meetings the Japanese nights were always one of the highlights of the meeting like the one, organized by Prof. Yamawaki, which we had with our past CINP president and Nobel laureate Arvid Carlsson in Stockholm in 2012.



Our colleagues of Japan are very instrumental in organizing also joint meetings inviting Asian colleagues as well as international renown researchers like recently the joint AsCNP/JSNP/JSCNP congress which was held with much success in Fukuoka in 2019 organized so excellently by Prof. Ikeda.



Not only the science of Japan captured my interest and emotional feelings, but also the Japanese culture, with all the dedication into details which evolved out of the preservation of customs over centuries and its knowledge.



In 2012 I had the pleasure being dressed like a samurai since I informed my colleagues that I am collecting Tsubas among other cultural items of Japan.

My true highlight however was in 2013 when I did have the privilege to personally greet and shake hands with The Japanese Emperor and The Japanese Empress before the opening ceremony of the WFSBP congress in Kyoto, which was organized by Prof Takeda.



I sincerely hope that the Japanese-Austrian friendship and collaboration will last beyond my active life.

Letter for 50th anniversary of JSNP

I am hugely pleased to congratulate 50th anniversary of JSNP. It ought to be applauded that researchers and clinicians have developed neuropharmacological knowledge and contemplate psychiatric issues via this society for a half of century. I would like to highly admire the efforts of current and previous presidents, vice-presidents, trustees, and all members from JSNP.

I appreciate JSNP's active collaboration with industry and government to develop new, effective drugs, the establishment of the system to stratify mental disorders, and substantial, high-quality database construction. Further, JSNP is maintaining an inseparable relationship with South Korean researchers and clinicians.

Thanks to the activities in international societies, such as the International College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CINP), researchers from all around the world, including South Korea, have been motivated by JSNP's integrative approaches in developing drugs and their related mental illness. In particular, I appreciate the contribution of JSNP to the Asian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (AsCNP) which is growing fast, and the association has been a great opportunity to share and develop research for many Asian researchers and clinicians.





I sincerely hope that JSNP keeps playing an important role in basic and clinical psychiatric research all around the world as well as in Asian society. Again, congratulations for 50th anniversary of JSNP.

All the best,

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Letter for 50th anniversary of JSNP

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Neuropsychopharmacology in Japan has a special place in my heart. For over forty years, I have had the great privilege of knowing leaders in psychopharmacology and psychiatry during that period, until the present day. I have mentored many young Japanese psychopharmacologists who joined my laboratory for several years at a time. Many have gone on to become leaders of Japanese academic programs and program leaders in pharmaceutical companies in Japan. I have been a consultant and grantee from many Japanese pharmaceutical companies. I have been invited over a dozen time to speak in Japan at national and international meetings and am planning to return later this year. I treasure my trips to Kyoto, Osaka and Tokyo. I have collected many beautiful works of art from Japanese artists. I continue to do so.



AsCNP/JSNP/JSCNP2019 Fukuoka Congress



Beautiful works of art from Japanese artists in my house

My participation in the 2020 50Th Anniversary of the JSNP is particularly meaningful to me. It is an honor to be a plenary speaker and to have the occasion to meet with many colleagues. I look forward to continuing opportunities to visit Japan and to work with Japanese scientists engaged in the field I continue to find fascinating. I hope there will be more visits. I feel a great kinship to Japan and extend my congratulations to all who made it such a memorable meeting. I wish the Society a great future and hope to continue my association with it.

With warmest regards,

Herbert Meltzer, MD



June 18th, 2020

Dear Colleagues:

It is with great pleasure and personal honour that I offer my congratulations to the Japanese Society of Neuropsychopharmacology, on achieving its 'Golden' 50th Anniversary.

The many accomplishments of this senior Society within the world neuropsychopharmacology community, are legendary including its role as an 'early adopter' of the concept that neuropsychiatric ill health reflects underlying disturbances of brain function, especially those related to chemical neurotransmission.

I first encountered the depth of knowledge and the breadth of talent within the Japanese neuroscience community in general and neuropsychopharmacology in particular, as a member of a delegation from the Medical Research Council of Canada to the Japan Science Council in 1996. Professor Masao Ito was President of the JSC at that time and was playing leading role in shaping new programs in response to the declaration of The Decade of the Brain by the Nakasone government of Japan. Thus began a long and fruitful adventure that has included annual visits to Japan, continuing to the present day.

A particularly enjoyable period of collaboration with JSNP colleagues began when I joined the Executive Council of CINP in 2008. This relationship grew even closer when I was elected President of CINP (2012-2014) and enjoyed a warm friendship with many Japanese colleagues, especially Shigeto Yamawaki, who was my successor as President of CINP, along with Toshikazu Saito, and Kazutaka Ikeda. From this perspective, I had a front row seat to witness the growing strength and generosity of the JSNP as it played a leading role in expanding neuropsychopharmacology research throughout Asia.

Given the prevalence of mental ill-health throughout the world, it is now clearer than ever that the development of new and effective diagnostic and therapeutic options will require international collaboration and a broad and compassionate world vision that recognizes good mental health as a human right. In this context it is comforting to know that JSNP will continue to play a leading role as it enter its second 50 year cycle.

Thanks again for including me on this voyage!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.G. Phillips'.

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Japan Night at 2nd AsCNP Congress in 2011 (Seoul)



Visit to Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in 2012
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Visit to a Ryotei in Tokyo in 2012 (田町, 牡)

海纳百川, 有容乃大

---Congratulations on the 50th anniversary of the Japanese Society of psychopharmacology



My name is Tianmei Si from Peking University Institute of Mental Health. I am currently working as the vice president of the Asian College of Neuropsychopharmacology(AsCNP). I want to express my sincerest congratulations to the 50th anniversary of the Japan Society of Neuropsychopharmacology (JSNP).

At the start of the establishment, JSNP has played a leading role as the psychopharmacological academic Society in the Asian area. These roles include initiating the studies on the mechanism of psychotropic drugs, drug epidemiology, health economics, translational medicine, and promoting rational pharmacotherapy for patients with mental disorders in Japan and Asian Regions. In recent decades, globalization is one of the essential activities of JSNP. JSNP keeps opening its arms to welcome international scholars to participate in the conference, especially to encourage the young psychiatrists from the world to communicate and share their thought on this platform. In 2007 and 2008, I was honored to be invited by the organizing committee of 37th and 38th JSNP. I gave the presentation in the symposium titled "internationalization of the new drug clinical trials." From this conference, I realized this platform dramatically stimulates the research and development of new drug and translational medical science in Asian regions.

The other aspect of internationalization of JSNP is to unite Asian Colleagues to establish the Asian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (AsCNP), and maintain the close connection with international Neuropsychopharmacology Societies such as the

International College of Neuropsychopharmacology (CINP) (see photo 2) and American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP) (See photo 3).

Professor Yamawaki, the past- president of JSNP (2010-2014), was elected as the founding president of AsCNP. During his term, the first Scientific meeting of AsCNP was held in Japan (Kyoto) in 2009, joint with the annual conference of JSNP. On the one hand, this platform allowed more participants from Asian countries and the world to share the findings in the field of Neuropsychopharmacology. More than 30 participants from China, and some colleagues gave inspiring speeches. On the other hand, this platform gained JSNP more reputation around the world. In recent years, JSNP, associate with AsCNP, kept on strengthening collaboration with CINP, ACNP, and ECNP.



(Photo2. Members from CINP/ JSNP/ AsCNP Executive Committee)



(photo 3, Members from JSNP/ CSP/ AsCNP in CANP Congres)

In 2019, ten years later after the first congress of AsCNP, AsCNP congress was again held in Japan joint with JSNP. Professor Kazutaka Ikeda is the present president. As a member of AsCNP and CSP, I impressed profoundly by the vision of innovation and the rapid development of JSNP and AsCNP.

In Chinese, there is a proverb called "海纳百川，有容乃大," which means the grand ocean accommodates every river. I think it is the same spirit of JSNP, openness of every member that made today's JSNP great accomplishment.



(Photo 4, Members from AsCNP and JSNP in 6th

AsCNP/JSNP

In the end, I would like to congratulate again for the 50th anniversary of JSNP, and I wish JSNP to continue this greatness and march to the next milestone.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Li James".

June 10, 2020

Beijing

Letter for 50th Anniversary of JSNP

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest congratulations to The Japanese Society of Neuropsychopharmacology (JSNP) on its 50th anniversary. JSNP was established in 1971, the earliest society specialized on mental health in Asia. It is also a pioneer in the world in building an active cross collaborations between basic researchers and clinicians and promoting industry-government-academia collaborations to facilitate new drug development. Moreover, JSNP has facilitated academic communications with other Asian countries including Korea, China, Taiwan, Indonesia, Singapore, Hong-Kong, Malaysia and others to form the AsCNP, the first neuropsychopharmacology organization in the Asia. Since 2009, six biennial meetings have been held to provide exchanges in research, clinical experience and education. Under the leadership of Professors Yamawaki and Ikeda, JSNP and AsCNP have strengthened relationships to international organizations CINP, ECNP and ACNP.





I am confident that with strong leadership, JSNP will achieve new heights in leading partner Asian countries to improve care of patients with mental health disorders into the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

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Letter for 50th anniversary of JSNP

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Introduction

Research on Asian Prescription Pattern (www.REAP.asia) is the largest and the longest lasting international collaborative research in psychiatry in Asia. In December 1999, Associate professor Tan Chay Hoon organized the International Symposium on Neuro-psychopharmacology in Singapore with the support from National University of Singapore (NUS) and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS). The symposium drew many psychiatrists and neuropsychopharmacologists from Asia (photo1 and 2). Prof N Shinfuku, Professor EH Kua and CH Tan proposed project with the aims to study the prescription of psychotropic drugs in the large population of Asia, the clinical and adverse effects of the patients with psychiatric disorders and the factors associated with the prescription. The idea was taken further and leading experts from six Asian countries agreed to carry out a census investigation of treatment of schizophrenia in their countries. The study was completed in 2001 and it was a success in every way – it produced useful data, it brought investigators from different countries of Asia together into a collaborative network and important studies.

Major REAP symposia

Japan Society of Psychiatry and Neurology (JSPN) organized the 12th in Yokohama. It was the first World Congress of Psychiatry (WPA) Congress held in Asia and attended by more than 6,000 participants from all over the world (photo 4). The findings of the first survey of REAP were reported in the WPA symposium and it attracted many participants.

The results from the 2,398 prescription of inpatients with schizophrenia from 6 countries provided evidence that prescription pattern differs greatly country to country. The findings led to subsequent

surveys and the conclusive findings that prescription pattern is influenced by licensing policy and cost rather than scientific data.

REAP continued to present evidence in various meetings in AsCNP, and WPA (see photos below)

Conclusion

1. There are many factors which decide the prescription habits of clinicians.
2. Evidence from the large scale surveys play a role in shaping the rational prescription of psychotropic drugs of psychiatrists in countries.
3. Evidence from the surveys provided impetus for the introduction of several financial measures to prevent irrational prescription in psychiatry in some countries.
4. Continued collaboration and presentation of findings provide evidence for change. This change will be the strong advocate for the patients with mental illnesses.

1999 NUS Singapore (photo 1 and 2)





2002 REAP Research Meeting at Kobe, Japan



2002 World Psychiatric Association held in Yokohama, Japan (photo 4)



2013 AsCNP in Beijing REAP members (photo 5)





2015 March, 5th World Congress of Asian Psychiatry, Fukuoka Japan





2015 Nov WPA REAP Symposium Taipei.



REAP Review Meeting September 2016, Taipei



2017 AsCNP 2017, Bali, Indonesia (photo 6)



2017 WPA 2017 Berlin, Germany (photo 7)



2018 Singapore, preparing for the 7th AsCNP conference



2019 AsCNP Fukuoka, Japan



Letter for 50th anniversary of JSNP

I first learned about JSNP organization 25 years ago when I finished my PhD in Hiroshima University.

At that time, I only knew JSNP at a glance as the organization that focus mainly on neuropsychopharmacology field.

However in these last few decades, JSNP showed remarkable progress in the member recruitment and several activities that carried out. JSNP also actively extent its collaboration both locally and internationally. This is proven in 2017 that JSNP was able to carried out its award ceremony in 5th ASCNP congress in Bali, Indonesia.



It is unmistakable that JSNP has many contributions in neuropsychopharmacology field in Japan and even all Asia.

I wish we can improve our collaboration and it is very possible that one day JSNP will be the front runner in neuropsychopharmacology field in Asia or even in the rest of Globe.

In the end, congratulations and success on the 50th anniversary, hopefully all the progress achieved may be beneficial for all mankind.

Thank you,

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President-Elect of Indonesian Psychiatric Association (IPA)

Letter for 50th anniversary of JSNP

It is a great honor and pleasure to contribute to the 50th anniversary of the JSNP.

My first professional trip to Japan was in the 90's. This was the time when Fluvoxamine was introduced and I was assigned to talk about Fluvoxamine in OCD and depression.

Since then, I have visited Japan many times and participated in many professional activities, including meetings in Tokyo, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Okinawa and others.

As a matter of fact, I loved so much to come to Japan, engage in discussion with Japanese colleagues and enjoy the unique beauty and culture of your country.

Looking forward to continue productive and enjoyable collaboration with JSNP.

Wishing JSNP best of luck, bright future and another 50 years of prosperity.

Best regards,



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