

International Union of Toxicology

**PROPOSAL TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:
MEMBERS SUITABLE FOR NOMINATION TO THE IUTOX EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
FOR THE PERIOD 2019-2022**

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Date: October 17, 2018

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- 1984 Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, MS in Drug metabolism and Toxicology Fukuoka University, Japan
- 1988 Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, PhD in Drug metabolism and Toxicology Fukuoka University, Japan

Professional positions held (with dates):

- 1989-1992 Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Molecular Pharmacology, UCLA School of Medicine, USA
- 1992-1994 Senior Scientist, National Institute for Environmental Studies, Japan
- 1994-1999 Lecture, Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
- 1999-2003 Associate Professor, Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
- 2003-2004 Professor, Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
- 2004-2011 Professor, Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences, University of Tsukuba
- 2011-present Professor, Environmental Biology Laboratory Faculty of Medicine, University of Tsukuba

IUTOX positions held (with dates):

- 2016-2019 Executive Committee, International Union of Toxicology (IUTOX)

Member Society positions held (with dates):

- 2009-2016 Director, Japanese Society of Toxicology
- 2012 Secretary General, 6th International Congress of Asian Society of Toxicology (ASIATOX)
- 2012-2015 Treasurer, ASIATOX
- 2015-2018 Councilor & Auditor, ASIATOX
- 2018- 15th President, Japanese Society of Toxicology

Professional memberships and/or awards:

- 1990 Special Investigator's Award, Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories, USA
- 2002 Young Investigator's Award, Japanese Society for Hygiene
- 2009 The Pharmaceutical Society of Japan Award for Divisional Scientific Promotions
- 2013 The Pharmaceutical Society of Japan Award for Divisional Field of Public Health and Environmental Toxicology
- 2013 The Japanese Society of Toxicology Pfizer Award
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1992-1994	Senior Scientist	National Institute for Environmental Studies, Japan
1994-1999	Lecture	Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
1999-2003	Associate Professor	Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
2003-2004	Professor	Institute of Community Medicine University of Tsukuba
2004-2011	Professor	Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences, University of Tsukuba
2011-present	Professor	Environmental Biology Laboratory Faculty of Medicine, University of Tsukuba
2014-present	Visiting Professor	China Medical University, China

2017-present	Director	International Joint Degree Master's Program in Agro-Biomedical Science in Food and Health
Society activity		
		Full member, Society of Toxicology
		Member, American Society of Toxicology
2010-2013	Editor in Chief	Journal of Health Science
2009-2016	Director	Japanese Society of Toxicology
2010-present	Associate Editor	Journal of Toxicological Sciences
2016-present	Associate Editor	Toxicological Sciences
2012	Secretary General	6 th International Congress of Asian Society of Toxicology (ASIATOX)
2012-2015	Treasurer	ASIATOX
2013	President	12 th Annual Meeting of Society for the Study of Molecular, Preventive and Environmental Medicine
2013-2016	Vice Dean	Divisional Field of Public Health, Pharmaceutical Society of Japan
2014	President	39 th Annual Meeting of Divisional Field of Public Health, Pharmaceutical Society of Japan
2015-2018	Councilor & Auditor	ASIATOX
2016-present	Director	Japanese Society of Nitric Oxide
2016-2019	Executive Committee	International Union of Toxicology (IUTOX)
2017-present	Director	Japanese Society of Oxidative Stress
2017-present	Associate Editor	Toxicological Sciences, Society of Toxicology
2017	President	44 th Annual Meeting of Japanese Society of Toxicology in Yokohama
2018	15 th President	Japanese Society of Toxicology

Awards

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Research interests

We are exposed to a variety of environmental electrophiles through food life, life style and life environment on a daily basis. While it has been reported that such reactive species covalently bind to protein nucleophiles, we found that environmental electrophiles activate redox signaling pathways at lower doses and disrupt these pathways and substantial cytotoxicity at higher doses. It was also found that reactive sulfur species (e.g., persulfides, polysulfides, hydrogen sulfide) negatively regulate modulation of redox signaling and toxicity caused by exposure to environmental electrophiles, presumably through formation of their sulfur adducts.

Exposome has been defined as the cumulative environmental exposures, including diet, lifestyle, pollutants, and others across the life span; however, the full characterization of the exposome throughout the whole lifespan remains an outstanding challenge. In the current study, we attempt modeling an exposome specialized for environmental electrophiles with cultured cells and mice in the absence and presence of reactive sulfur species. We also explore how sulfur adduct derived from methylmercury, a model of environmental electrophiles, undergoes biotransformation by reactive sulfur species, and then is excreted into out of the body.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE, 190; REVIEW ARTICLE, 22.

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