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3rd CRCRA International Symposium Shaping the Future of Rheumatoid Arthritis

Date : October 7, 2011 (Friday) 09:00-15:10
Venue : Conference Hall (6F), HIT, Hanyang University,
Seoul, Republic of Korea





Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Clinical Research Center for Rheumatoid Arthritis(CRCRA) and National Clinical Research Coordination Center, I am pleased to invite you to attend the **3rd CRCRA International Symposium**.

CRCRA, supported by the Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare, has eagerly conducted clinical research on rheumatoid arthritis(RA) since its inauguration in 2008 and has generated much needed research outcomes to expand our understating and improve the management of RA.

We have developed an outstanding program featuring internationally recognized experts speaking on topics based around the meeting theme: **Shaping the Future of Rheumatoid Arthritis**. Topics to be covered include presentation of the current clinical research in RA as well as opinions on the future of the clinical research in RA. It will be followed by presentation of the present and the future of treatment of RA.

RA is one of the leading causes of disability and damage leading to significant burden to not only the patients themselves, but also to the society. Early diagnosis and early treatment with disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs and introduction of biologic agents have significantly improved the outcomes, but we are still short of optimal treatment. There are still many obstacles we must overcome in optimal treatment of RA.

The Symposium will serve as a cornerstone in reviewing the current efforts in clinical research of RA and get a glimpse on the future of clinical research of RA.

We hope you join us at the Symposium and enjoy the exciting presentations with lively discussion.

Sincerely,

Sang-Cheol Bae, MD, PhD, MPH

Director, Clinical Research Center for Rheumatoid Arthritis
Director, Hanyang University Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases



09:00 - 09:30	Registration	
09:30 - 10:00	Opening	
	Opening Remark	Sang-Cheol Bae (Director, CRCRA, Hanyang U)
	Congratulatory Remark	Sung Soo Park (Vice President, Hanyang U)
	Introduction to CRCRA	Sang-Cheol Bae (Director, CRCRA, Hanyang U)
10:00 - 12:00	Session 1 •• The Present & Future of RA Clinical Research	
	Chair: Hisashi Yamanaka (Tokyo Women's Medical U), Dae-Hyun Yoo (Hanyang U)	
10:00 - 10:30	The Present & Future of RA Cohort	Hisashi Yamanaka (Tokyo Women's Medical U)
10:30 - 10:50	The Present & Future of RA Cohort in Korea	Sang-Cheol Bae (Hanyang U)
10:50 - 11:10	A Pharmacoeconomic Perspective on RA	Eui-Kyung Lee (Sookmyung Women's U)
11:10 - 11:40	Predicting the Development and Prognosis of RA: Present & Future	Tsutomu Takeuchi (Keio U)
11:40 - 12:00	Predicting the Development and Prognosis of RA in Korea : Present & Future	Soo Kon Lee (Yonsei U)
12:00 - 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30 - 15:10	Session 2 •• The Present & Future of Treatment of RA	
	Chair: Masayoshi Harigai (Tokyo Medical and Dental U), Jung-Yoon Choe (Catholic U of Daegu)	
13:30 - 14:00	Pharmacoepidemiology & -vigilance in RA : Present & Future	Masayoshi Harigai (Tokyo Medical and Dental U)
14:00 - 14:20	Hepatitis B and RA	Yeong-Wook Song (Seoul National U)
14:20 - 14:40	Tuberculosis and RA	Sung-Hwan Park (The Catholic U)
14:40 - 15:00	Insights from the Biologics Cohort	Sang-Cheol Bae (Hanyang U)
15:00 - 15:10	Closing Remark	Sang-Cheol Bae (Director, CRCRA, Hanyang U)