

East Asia Regional Biometric Conference 2007



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Introduction

On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Programme Committee, it is a great pleasure to invite you to attend the first Regional Conference of East Asia Regions of the International Biometric Society. It will bring participants from East Asia Regions working in academic institutions, regulatory agencies, and industry together to present new research on the latest advances in biometry, biostatistics and bioinformatics. One of the aim of the conference is to allow participants from East Asia countries as well as different parts of the world to exchange ideas and to establish long-term collaborative relationships. These sessions included prominent representatives from a range of different disciplines in these fields. Three-day conference includes invited sessions, contributed sessions and poster presentations.

In December, Tokyo is usually sunny but somewhat cold. The winter nights are always illuminated with Christmas display. We hope you enjoy staying in Tokyo and also a plenty of the intellectual conversations at conference.

Important Dates

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| 1 September 2007 | Call for Abstracts and Registration |
| 30 October 2007 | Deadline for submission of abstracts |
| 30 November 2007 | Deadline for registration |

Organizing and Scientific Programme Committee

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Ji-Qian Fang, Chinese Group Secretary, SunYat-Sen University of Medical Science (China)
Ayanendranath Basu, Indian Statistical Institute (India)

Scientific Programme

Opening Ceremony: Introduction of IBS and its Regional activities

Chair: *Ashwini Mathur*, IBS General Secretary, Novartis International Clinical Development Center (India)

- *Thomas Louis*, IBS President, Johns Hopkins University (USA)
- *Taerim Lee*, Korean Region President, Korea National Open University (Korea)
- *H. Sridhara*, Indian Region President, University of Agricultural Sciences (India)
- *Ji-Qian Fang*, Chinese Group Secretary, Sun Yat-Sen University of Medical Science (China)
- *Toshiro Tango*, Japanese Region President, National Institute of Public Health (Japan)

Keynote Lecture

Chair: *Thomas Louis*, IBS President, Johns Hopkins University (USA)

- *Toshiro Tango*, Japanese Region President, National Institute of Public Health (Japan)
Tests for spatial randomness – detection of disease clustering (**tentative**)

Confirmed Speakers of Invited Sessions (Title of talk may be tentative)

1. Clinical Trials

Chair. *Shigeyuki Matsui*, Kyoto University (Japan)

- *Hao Yuan-Tao*, School of Public Health, Sun Yat-Sen University (China).
Non-linear models for structure validation of questionnaires
- *Satoshi Morita*, Nagoya University (Japan)
Application of Bayesian approaches to early-phase clinical trials : Determining the effective sample size of a parametric prior
- *Masako Nishikawa*, National Institute of Public Health (Japan)
Simple statistical tests for new composite hypotheses in randomized clinical trials reflecting the relative clinical importance

2. Epidemiology

Chair. *Yutaka Matsuyama*, University of Tokyo (Japan)

- *Ayanendranath Basu*, Indian Statistical Institute (India).
Tests of Hypothesis about the Kappa Statistic based on the Goodness-of-fit Approach..
- *Satoshi Hattori*, Kurume University (Japan)
Mantel-Haenszel estimators for irregular sparse $K \times J$ ($J > 2$) tables
- *Kunihiko Takahashi*, National Institute of Public Health (Japan)
Cluster detection tests in spatial epidemiology

3. Bioinformatics

Chair. *Masaaki Matsuura*, Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research (Japan)

- *Jae Won Lee*, Korea University (Korea).
Statistical tools for protein identification based on mass spectrometry data: A review.
- *Seiya Imoto*, The Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo (Japan)
Bioinformatics approach towards drug target gene discovery
- *Masaru Ushijima*, The Genome Center of Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research (Japan)
Analyses of OMICS data in medical informatics

Contributed Paper Sessions

Contributed papers are welcome in any area of biometry such as clinical trials, epidemiology, bioinformatics, and so on. Contributed oral presenters will be allocated a 15-minute slot for presentation in contributed sessions, while posters will be on display during the first two days 9-10 December.

Poster Presentation

Posters are welcome in any area of biometry such as clinical trials, epidemiology, bioinformatics, and so on. Posters are scheduled to be on display throughout the conference, from 9:00am Sunday to 5:00pm Monday 10.

Call for Abstracts

All participants are invited to submit abstracts for both contributed papers and posters. Authors should indicate whether it is intended as an oral presentation or as a poster presentation. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is 30 October 2007.

Abstracts should be submitted via online abstract submission system
(http://wwwsoc.nii.ac.jp/jbs/index_e.html)

All correspondence regarding the abstracts will be sent to the corresponding author. Authors will be informed of the acceptance of abstracts by 5th November 2007. The abstract should be written in English and must not exceed 400 words (including references). The title must not exceed 30 words. The whole abstract including first author name, co-author names (maximum 10 persons), institution names, title, and abstract text must not exceed 600 words in total. The Tables and Figures can not be included in the abstract. Letters must be 12 characters per inch. 10 characters per inch can be used for references. Single or one-and-a-half spacing must be used. For author(s) name(s), initial(s) or first name should precede the family name. Omit degrees, street address and postcode. Please note that presenters of abstracts are not automatically registered for the conference. Abstracts and registration for the conference are handled separately.

Registration

To avoid difficulties and troubles regarding payment of registration fee, **On-site payment only is acceptable at the registration desk** during the EAR-BC'07. Payment for all registration fees should be made in Japanese yen (cash only) as follows:

•Registration fee

Industry:	JPY	30,000yen
Academic:	JPY	10,000yen
Student:	JPY	5,000yen
Attendants from Asian countries other than Japan	JPY	5,000yen

Registration is available only by E-mail. If your industry have already registered as a corporate member, it is not necessary to conduct E-mail registration. You can register the EAR-BC'07 by sending E-mail with title "Registration on EAR-BC'07" including the following information to biometrics@sinfonica.or.jp.

Required information for the registration

Registration Type: (Industry/Academic/Student/Attendants from Asian countries)
Title: (Mr. / Ms. / Dr. / Prof), Name (First Name/Last Name)
Institute/Organization:
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An example:

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Please type your E-mail address very carefully. The deadline for the registration is 30 November 2007. If you have any questions on the registration, please send an E-mail to the address hamada@ms.kagu.tus.ac.jp.

Accommodation

In the vicinity of the conference site, a wide range of hotel accommodation is available and a list of less expensive hotels is listed together with a room rate (single room) as below. However, we strongly recommend that speakers from foreign countries stay at Tokyo Dome Hotel for convenience.

•Tokyo Dome Hotel: 15200 yen-

<http://www.tokyodome-hotels.co.jp/e/>

HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

•Forest Hongo: 10164yen-

<http://www.forest-hongo.com/English/HotelInformation.htm>

•Hotel Kizankan: 7350yen-

<http://www4.ocn.ne.jp/~kizanweb/>

•Tokyo Garden Palace: 9702yen-

<http://www.hotelgp-tokyo.com/> (Japanese only)

Address 1-7-5 Yushima, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, 113-0034 Tel +81 (0)3 3813 6211

Fax +81 (0)3 3818 6060

•HOTEL OCHANOMIZU INN: 7980yen-

http://www.o-inn.co.jp/english_index.htm

•Tokyo Green Hotel Ochanomizu: 8400yen-

http://www.greenhotel.co.jp/en/hotel_list/ochanomizu.html

•Japanese style Inn

SAWANOYA RYOKAN: 4935 yen-

<http://www.tctv.ne.jp/members/sawanoya/>[†]

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Important Social Programme

Conference Dinner will take place at Capo PELLICANO on Monday 10th evening.

Official Language

The official Language of the Conference will be English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

Name Badges

All participants and accompanying persons must wear the Congress identification badge in a visible place. Entrance to meeting hall, poster and exhibition areas will not be permitted to any person without badge.

Visual Equipment

The meeting hall will be equipped with overhead and data projectors as well as PC for speakers needs. Speakers are kindly requested to check and deliver their presentation to visual reception at least one hour before scheduled presentation. Due to changes in computer configuration, laptops will not be accommodated.

Traveling, Passport, Visa

All foreign visitors entering Japan must possess valid passports. Visa is not required from citizens of most foreign countries. Participants should check with travel agents or diplomatic missions in their own countries, whether or not visa is required.

Letter of Invitation

The Conference Secretariat will be pleased to provide you with an official letter of invitation. Please note that such letters cannot grant any financial support. Requests should include participant's full mailing address and fax number for reply. Inquiries can be sent to the Conference Secretariat.

Liability and Insurance

The organizers have no responsibility whatsoever for injury or damage involving persons and property during the Congress. Participants are advised to carry their own personal insurance during their stay in Japan.

Banks & Currency

Most banks are open Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 3.00pm.

Climate and Clothing

In December the weather is cold during the whole day, so for all outdoor events, a coat or a light sweater will be sometimes useful. Mean temperature ranges from 5-13 C.

Tipping

For taxi and restaurants the service charge is included in the price. You may add a tip at your own discretion to indicate appreciation of exceptionally good service.