

**CHANGES**  
**of Asia and Oceania**  
**Thyroid Association Meeting**  
**1978 - 2003**

**Based on “History of AOTA” by S. Nagataki, M.D., Ph.D.**

**at 7<sup>th</sup> Asia and Oceania Thyroid Association Meeting**

Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore

December 2-4, 2003

# The 1<sup>st</sup> AOTA Meeting 1978

**1978**

**Site:** Singapore  
**Time:** January 28-31, 1978  
**President:** I. B. Hales, Australia  
**Vice Presidents:** G. K. Rastogi, India  
K. Shizume, Japan  
L. Villadolid, Philippines  
**Secretary:** C. J. Eastman, Australia

**Free Communication:**

Endemicity and Consequences of goitre in South East Asia and Oceania	9
Pathogenesis of Endemic Goitre	8
Goiter Control Program	4
Thyroid Foundation Testing	7
Measurement of Thyroid Hormones and TSH	11
Specialised Techniques	8
<u>Total</u> 47	

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	8	Brazil	2
Burma	1	Canada	1
India	4	Indonesia	1
Japan	21	Pakistan	1
Philippines	1	Singapore	1
Sri Lanka	1	Thailand	2
UK	1	USA	2
<u>Total</u> 47			

**Proceedings:** Current Thyroid Problems in South East Asia and Oceania

**Editor:** Basil S. Hetzel  
Maurice L. Wellby  
Radmil Hoschl

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> AOTA Meeting 1982

**1982**

<b>Site:</b>	Tokyo
<b>Time:</b>	August 19-22, 1982
<b>President:</b>	N. Ui
<b>Vice Presidents:</b>	V. Kumar T.S. Reeve P.P.B. Yeo S. Nagataki
<b>Secretary:</b>	S. Nagataki
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	R. Young

**Scientific Presentation (one room):**

**Prize Lecture:** 2

Mallinckrodt Prize

Dr. S. Nagataki (Nagasaki, Japan)

“Pathogenic factors of Graves’ disease”

Otsuka Prize

Dr. C.J. Eastman (Sydney, Australia)

“The regulation of thyroid hormone receptors”

**Plenary Lecture:** 1

Dr. X. Y. Zhu (H.I.Chu)

“Endemic goiter and cretinism in China with special reference to changes of iodine metabolism and pituitary-thyroid function two years after iodine prophylaxis in Gui-Zhou”

**Free Communication:**

I. Synthesis and secretion of Thyroid Hormone

Hypothalamo-pituitary-thyroid axis 8

Thyroid stimulation 6

Thyroid hormone synthesis 7

Thyroglobulin and binding proteins 8

Deiodination 6

Thyroid hormone economy 8

Peripheral effects 6

II. Recent Progress in Thyroid Function Tests

Thyroid hormone and thyroglobulin 14

Free thyroxine 6

III. Genetic and Epidemiological Aspects of Thyroid Diseases

Epidemiology and genetics 8

Endemic goiter and cretinism 20

IV. Thyroid Diseases and Autoimmunity Including Complications 24

V. Diagnosis and Treatment of Thyroid Neoplasms 21

Report of the meeting 1

Total 145

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	11	Belgium	1
Canada	5	China	9
Czechoslovakia	1	France	3
India	10	Indonesia	3
Iran	1	Italy	1
Japan	81	Korea	2
Poland	1	Singapore	2
Sri Lanka	1	Thailand	1
UK	1	USA	10
Zaire	1		

Total 145

**Proceedings:** Current problems in thyroid research

**Editor:** Nobuo Ui

Kanji Torizuka

Shigenobu Nagataki

Kiyoshi Miyati

# Seoul Thyroid Meeting '84 of AOTA

**1984**

**Site:** Seoul, Korea  
**Time:** August 25-26, 1984  
**President:** N. Ui  
**Vice Presidents:** V. Kumar  
T.S. Reeve  
P.P.B. Yeo  
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L. Villadolid  
P.P.B. Yeo

**Scientific Presentation (one room):**

**Special Lecture:**

3

Dr. S. H. Ingbar

“New observations concerning the pathogenesis of Graves’ disease”

Dr. S. Nagataki

“The role of iodine in the thyroid diseases”

Dr. P. Pfannenstiel

“Diagnostic strategies in thyroid disorders by actual in vivo and in vitro measures”

**Symposium:**

A: Treatment of Graves’ disease

4

B: Endemic goiter in Asia and Oceania

4

**Free Communication:**

I. Autoimmunity and thyroid disease

3

II. Diagnosis and treatment of thyroid diseases

3

III. Neonatal hypothyroid screening

3

IV. Recent progress in thyroid physiology

4

Total 24

**Number of Countries:**

Australia 4

Japan 12

Korea 6

Taiwan 1

Thailand 1

Total 24

**Proceedings:**

Current problems in thyroid research

**Editor:**

Munho Lee

Chang-Soon Koh

Bo Youn Cho

Kiyoshi Miyati

# The 3rd AOTA Meeting 1986

**1986**

<b>Site:</b>	Bangkok, Thailand
<b>Time:</b>	December 4-6,1986
<b>President:</b>	S. Nagataki
<b>Vice Presidents:</b>	J.R. Stockigt S. Tandhanand L. Villadolid
<b>Secretary:</b>	J. Konishi
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**Advisory Committee:**

**Scientific Presentation (one room):**

**Prize Lecture:** 2

Mallinckrodt Prize

Dr. J. Konishi (Kyoto, Japan)

“Role of thyrotropin-receptor antibodies in primary hypothyroidism”

Otsuka Prize

Dr. I. B. Hales (Sydney, Australia)

“Controversies in the management of differentiated adenocarcinoma of the thyroid”

**Symposium:**

Iodine and Thyroid Disease 3

**Free Communication**

Regulation of thyroid hormone secretion and metabolism 7

Autoimmune thyroid disease 25

Iodine deficiency diseases	6
Thyroid binding proteins	6
Throglobullin	7
Thyroid disease-genetic aspects	7
Neonatal screening and maternal fetal physiology	6

**Poster discussion:**

Iodine deficiency disease	10
Clinical Thyroidology	26
Thyroid growth factors and mechanism of action	12

Total 117

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	7	Bangladesh	1
Belgium	1	China	6
France	1	Hong Kong	1
India	10	Iran	3
Israel	1	Japan	59
Korea	3	Malaysia	2
Nigeria	1	Philippines	1
Saudi Arabia	1	Singapore	2
Sweden	1	Taiwan	3
Thailand	8	USA	2
Vietnam	2	Yugoslavia	1

Total 117

**Proceedings:** Current problems in thyroid research

**Editor:** Apichati Vichayanrat  
Wanee Nitiyanant  
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Shigenobu Nagataki

# The 4th AOTA Meeting 1989

**1989**

**Site:** Seoul, Korea  
**Time:** April 19-21, 1989  
**President:** S. Nagataki  
**Vice Presidents:** J.R. Stockigt  
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Moon Gi Choi  
Sei Won Yang

**Special Lecture:**

2

Dr. L.J. DeGroot (Chicago, U.S.A.)

“Cause of thyroid autoimmunity”

Dr. S. Nagataki (Nagasaki, Japan)

“Highlight in the 4<sup>th</sup> AOTA meeting”

**Prize Lecture:**

2

Daiichi Prize

Dr. R.T.T. Young (Hong Kong)

“Thyrotoxic periodic paralysis revisited”

Otsuka Prize

Dr. N. Amino (Osaka, Japan)

“Postpartum autoimmune thyroid syndrome”

**Symposium:**

Autoimmunity and thyroid

10

Thyroid Physiology and Hormone Action

5

Controversies in clinical Thyroidology

5

**Free Communication:**

Thyroid Autoimmunity

24

Thyroid cell biology and growth

13

Thyroid hormone action and gene expression

7

Hypothyroidism and iodine deficiency disorders

9

Clinical Thyroid problems

9

Hyperthyroidism

12

Control of thyroid function and thyroid function test	11
Thyroid Cancer and Nodule	14

**Poster discussion:**

Thyroid function and metabolism	16
Autoimmunity and thyroid	12
Clinical Thyroidology	26

Total 177

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	7	Belgium	2
Brazil	2	Canada	1
China	5	Hong Kong	2
India	11	Iran	2
Italy	2	Japan	106
Korea	22	Malaysia	1
Pakistan	1	Poland	1
Singapore	1	Taiwan	1
Thailand	2	UK	3
USA	5		

Total 177

**Proceedings:** Progress in Thyroidology 1989

**Editor:** Munho Lee  
 Chang-Soon Koh  
 Creswell J. Eastman  
 Shigenobu Nagataki

# AOTA Symposium on Iodine Deficiency Disorders

**1989**

**Site:** Tianjin, China  
**Time:** April 24-25, 1989  
**President:** S. Nagataki  
**Vice Presidents:** J.R. Stockigt  
S. Tandhanand  
L. Villadolid  
**Secretary:** J. Konishi

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## Scientific Presentation (one room):

**Special Invited Lecture:** 2  
Dr. C. Pittman  
Dr. S. Nagataki

**Symposium:** (2 symposia)

## Free Communication and Poster Discussion:

Epidemiology 17

Aetiology		13
Clinical Research		46
Prevention, Control and Monitoring		22
Basic Research		41
<u>Total</u>	<u>139</u>	

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	11	Belgium	2
China	109	India	5
Indonesia	1	Iran	2
Italy	1	Japan	7
Pakistan	1		
<u>Total</u>	<u>139</u>		



# The 5th AOTA Meeting 1993

**1993**

**Site:** Fairmont Resort, Leura, Blue Mountains, Australia  
**Time:** May 2-5, 1993  
**President:** Shigenobu Nagataki  
**Vice Presidents:** Chang-Soon, Koh  
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**Chairman:** Jan R. Stockigt  
**Members:** Nobuyuki Amino  
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Duncan Topliss

## **Advisory Committee:**

**Prize Lecture:** 2

Daiichi Prize

Dr. B. Y. Cho (Seoul, Korea)

“Thyroid stimulation blocking antibody and autoimmune atrophic thyroiditis”

Otsuka Prize

Dr. K. Miyai (Osaka, Japan)

“Congenital thyrotropin deficiency – discovery, molecular genetics and prevention”

## **Scientific Presentation (three rooms):**

### **Symposium:**

Thyroid Cancer 3

Autoimmunity 7

**Free Communication:**

Autoimmune Thyroid Disease	6
Uptake and Action	6
TSH Receptor Antibody	6
Clinical Thyroidology	6
Basic Advances	6
Thyroid Stimulation and Growth	4
Clinical Highlights	6

**Poster discussion:**

Poster Discussion A	17
Poster Discussion B	17

Total 86

**Organization program:**

	13 countries
Oral presentation	51
Poster presentation	13

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	17	China	5
Germany	2	Greece	1
Hong Kong	3	India	4
Italy	2	Japan	41
Korea	3	Netherlands	1
Thailand	1	Ukraine	5
USA	1		
<u>Total</u>	<u>86</u>		

# The 6th AOTA Meeting 1997

**1997**

**Site:** Osaka  
**Time:** November 9-12, 1997  
**President:** Shigenobu Nagataki  
**Vice Presidents:** Chang-Soon Koh  
Chen Jia-Lun  
Jan R. Stockigt  
**Secretary/Treasurer:** Junji Konishi  
**Council:** Nobuyuki Amino  
Bo Youn Cho  
Creswell J. Eastman  
Tine-Shan Huang  
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Hisao Seo  
Ma Tai  
Sunthorn Tandhanand  
Duncan Topliss  
Leland S. Villadolid  
Peter P.B. Yeo

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Shunichi Yamashita  
**Auditor:** Shigenobu Nagataki  
Toru Mori

**Advisory Committee:**

**Scientific Presentation (one room):**

**Prize lecture** 4

Daiichi Prize lecture

Dr. S.C. Boyages (Sydney, Australia)

“Iodine deficiency and brain”

Shichijo-Prize lecture

Dr. Y. Nagayama (Nagasaki, Japan)

“Cloning and function analysis of the thyrotropin receptor”

Otsuka Prize lecture

Dr. T. Mori (Kyoto, Japan)

“Autoimmune TSH receptor diseases: genetic backgrounds and mechanism of the autoantibody productions”

Miyake-Prize lecture

Dr. T. Mitsuma (Aichi, Japan)

“Thyrotropin-releasing hormone and its receptor-distribution and secretion”

**Plenary Lecture:** 2

Shizume Lecture - I

Dr. L.J. DeGroot, et al. (Chicago, U.S.A.)

“Prospects for tolerization to thyroid autoantigens”

Shizume Lecture - II

Dr. A. Pinchera, et al. (Pisa, Italy)

“Role of the ret proto-oncogene in thyroid carcinoma”

**Symposium:**

TSH Receptor and Antibody 4

Thyroid Cancer: Pathogenesis, Diagnosis and Treatment 4

Thyroid and Pregnancy 4

Progress in Molecular Thyroidology 5

**Free Communication:**

Autoimmunity I	4
Autoimmunity II	4
Sodium/Iodide Symporter	4
Iodine Deficiency Disorders	4
Thyroid Cancer & Control of TSH	6
Thyroid Cell Biology	6
Gene Regulation & Expression	6
Thyroid Hormone Action & Metabolism	6
Hyperthyroidism I	4
Hyperthyroidism II	4
Thyroid Hormone Receptor I	4
Thyroid Hormone Receptor II	4

**Poster:**

Hyperthyroidism I	16
Autoimmunity I	12
Thyroid Cancer	19
IDD, Cell Biology, Gene Regulation	17
Hyperthyroidism II	13
Autoimmunity II	11
Hypothyroidism	12
Thyroid Growth, Hormone Action & Control of TSH	14

Total 193

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	5	Bangladesh	1
China	10	Honk Kong	2
India	7	Indonesia	3
Iran	10	Italy	2
Japan	129	Korea	10
Malaysia	1	Poland	5
Slovakia	2	Thailand	4
USA	1	Uzbekistan	1

Total 193

# The 7th AOTA Meeting 2003

**2003**

<b>Site:</b>	Singapore
<b>Time:</b>	December 2-4, 2003
<b>Honorary President:</b>	Shigenobu Nagataki
<b>President:</b>	Bo Youn Cho
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Peter Eng  
Ho Su Chin

**Prize lecture** 2

Daiichi Prize

Dr. B. G. Robinson (Sydney, Australia)  
“Molecular determinants of thyroid cancer phenotype”

Otsuka Prize

Dr. S. Yamashita (Nagasaki, Japan)  
“Molecular targeting gene therapy for thyroid cancer”

**Plenary Lecture:** 2

Dr. G. Vassart  
“Mechanism of TSH-receptor activation”  
Dr. S. Nagataki  
“History of AOTA”

**Symposium:**

Breakfast Symposium

Management Issues in Hypothyroidism 2  
Recent Developments in Molecular Thyroidology 1  
Thyrogen 2  
Cytokines and Thyroid Disease 2

Iodine Deficiency 3

Genetics and Gene Therapy of Thyroid Cancer 2

Lunch Symposium 4

Thyroid Nodules 2

Cell Biology and Signal Transduction 2

Thyroid and Pregnancy 3

Pathogenesis of Thyroid Cancer 3

Thyroid Autoimmunity 3

Congenital Hypothyroidism 2

Environmental Factors on the Thyroid 2

**Free Communication:**

Autoimmunity/Clinical 7

Cell Biology 10

Iodine Transport & Diseases 9

Thyroid Cancer 9

**Poster discussion**

Clinical 1 25

Iodine Deficiency	6
Cancer	12
Thyroid Gene	3
Basic	5
<u>Total</u>	<u>123</u>

**Number of Countries:**

Australia	7	Belgium	2
China	17	Czech Republic	1
Germany	2	Indonesia	3
Iran	7	Japan	25
Korea	28	Malaysia	5
Philippines	7	Singapore	10
Taiwan	2	Thailand	1
Vietnam	2	UK	2
USA	2		
<u>Total</u>	<u>123</u>		