

# 2024 JPOA-KPOA Travelling Fellowship Report

## Background

The JPOA-KPOA Traveling Fellowship was established with the purpose of sponsoring pediatric orthopaedic surgeons from KOREA in the development of international relationships and the opportunity of a unique educational experience. I was fortunate to be selected as Fellowship group. The 1-week fellowship in December 2024 included visit at pediatric orthopedic centers and concluded with a stop at the JPOA annual meeting in Fukuoka.

## Shizuoka (DEC 9-11)

At the first stop, I went to the Shizuoka Children's Hospital. I visited the outpatient clinic and operating room. I observed several operations CP patient who treated for NM hip dislocation, SBC patient, epiphysiodesis performed by Dr. Fujimoto. I had discussed about surgical techniques and outcomes with them. Conference with staff member of the Shizuoka Children's Hospital is very useful and impressive for me.



## Fukuoka (DEC 12 to 14)

I attended at 2024 JPOA annual meeting. It was my first time and I was surprised about huge scale and well organization. I attended the several lecture courses and free paper sections, unfortunately, the language was almost Japanese. It was the only regret.

## Conclusions and Acknowledgments

I am grateful to my society for supporting my application and providing me with the time off in order to enjoy and learn from such a unique experience. I feel extremely honored having been selected for this travelling fellowship. I would like to express my gratitude to the JPOA for the unique opportunity in making this happen.

I was extremely fortunate to have fantastic hosts. I would like to say “thank you” to all hosts and staffs for making me feel most welcome, showing me the city and fantastic spots. I will never forget my new friend, Dr. Fujimoto.