

Thank you JUNJI TAGAMI!

Dear Readers.

After having served as a member of the Journal of Adhesive Dentistry's Editorial Board since it inception in 1999 and as an Associate Editor since 2015, Prof. Dr. Junji Tagami has recently retired from his position as Associate Editor of our Journal of Adhesive Dentistry.



Being a world authority in the field of adhesive dentistry, possessing decades of experience in fundamental

and applied research, along with broad clinical expertise, as well as heading one of the leading dental schools in Japan, Professor Tagami has greatly contributed to the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* and in particular to the review process of numerous *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* manuscripts, for which we would like to heartily thank him.

We are very grateful, Junji, for your contribution to the success of the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* and helping us in our continous endeavor to improve it as an international peer-reviewed scientific journal of excellence.

Thank you, Junji!

Welcome TORU NIKAIDO!



Realizing that much dental adhesive technology has originated in Japan, both at universities and in the Japanese dental industry, we are very pleased to announce that the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* will keep a base in Japan by appointing Prof. Toru Nikaido from Asahi University in Gifu, Japan, as Associate Editor.

Dr. Nikaido graduated from Hokkaido University in 1985 and received his PhD from Tokyo Medical and Dental University in 1990 under the supervision of Professor Nobuo Nakabayashi. He was a guest scientist at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), USA, in 1995 under the mentorship of Dr. Joseph M. Antonucci, upon which he became senior lecturer at the Department of Cariology and Operative Dentistry of the Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences of Tokyo Medical and Dental University (TMDU) in 1997. More recently, in 2019, Dr. Nikaido was appointed professor and chairman of the Department of Operative Dentistry at Asahi University.

With his extensive knowledge and long experience within the broad field of adhesive dentistry, we are very pleased that Professor T. Nikaido has accepted our invitation to join the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* editorial team consisting of five Associate Editors. In his function of Associate Editor, he will handle the review process of a good part of the journal's manuscripts, which have been and in the future will be assigned to him. We are already very pleased with the very rapid, enthusiastic handling of manuscripts with which Dr. Nikaido has started his new service.

We greatly look forward to working with Toru and would like to wish him much success with this appointment as part of the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry's* Editorial Team, which is crucial for the smooth, daily running of our Journal.

Best of luck, Toru!

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