

MEET THE EXPERT

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Background

Prof. Mikio Namiki graduated from Osaka University in 1975 and received his Ph.D. degree in 1986. From 1987 till 1988, Namiki was at Molecular Endocrinology Section of National Institutes of Health (NIH) as a Postdoctoral Fellow. There he published a complete amino acid sequence for rat testis P450-17a which was deduced from nucleotide analysis of a cDNA clone isolated from a rat Leydig cell cDNA library. He worked as the head of Andrology group at the Department of Urology, Osaka University. In 1995, he was promoted to the Professor and Chairman at the Department of Integrative Cancer Therapy and Urology, Kanazawa University. Namiki served as the Vice President, Kanazawa University and the Director of Kanazawa University Hospital from 2014 till 2016. Currently he is the Emeritus Professor of Kanazawa University and the Honorary Director of Hasegawa Hospital.

Major Research Interests

One of the Namiki's research interests is a minute deletion of the Y chromosome (AZF gene) in infertile men. He has been publishing many research papers focusing on AZF. His clinical interests are currently hormonal therapy for prostate cancer and men's health. Based upon his research achievements, he was elected as the leaders of many academic societies: Japan Society of Andrology (President, 2009–2014), Japanese Society for Sexual Medicine (President, 2013–present), Japan Society of Adolescence (President, 2015–present), Asia-Pacific Society for Sexual Medicine (President, 2013–2015), Japan-ASEAN Conference on Men's Health & Aging (President, 2010–present).

Namiki is currently serving as a member of editorial board in academic journals: *Journal of Men's Health* (2008–present), *Asian Journal of Andrology* (2011–present), *Translational Andrology and Urology* (2011–present), *Prostate International* (2012–present), *Anticancer research* (2013–present).

Relation to AJA

It is a great honor for me to be conferred "Excellent Editorial Board Member Award in 2016". I am very proud to serve as an editorial board member of AJA which is one of the top journals in the field of Andrology, and willing to contribute to the progress of AJA.