

ASAD Newsletter



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1. We were deeply saddened by the passing of Prof Kenichi Meguro, one of the key founders of ASAD.

Dr. Kenichi Meguro, a dedicated Geriatric Behavioral Neurologist from Tohoku University in Japan, devoted his life to the study of dementia, with a particular focus on community epidemiology. The contributions he made to the Asia Society Against Dementia (ASAD) were invaluable. On September 25, 2023, he passed away after fighting with COVID-19, leaving behind a grieving wife and a daughter.

He worked with the ASAD to improve dementia understanding and management in the Asia Pacific Region. Throughout his career, he shared his expertise, collaborated with colleagues, and tirelessly advocated for

greater awareness and resources for this challenging condition. In 2022, Sendai, Japan, he organized the 15th ASAD annual meeting. As part of the 15th ASAD International Congress in Sendai Japan. Dr Meguro also published a book on Geriatric Behavioral Neurology entitled "Fusion of the West and the East, Harmony of Human and Technology". His work in the fields of neurology and dementia research made him more than just a medical professional. He was committed to bettering the lives of those affected by dementia and their families, especially in community settings. Dr. Meguro's untimely departure has left a void in the medical community and in the lives of those who knew him. In honor of his kindness, dedication, and brilliance, we will continue the fight against dementia in his honor.

During this difficult time, we send our thoughts and prayers to his family, especially to his wife and daughter. May they find strength and solace in the memories of a life well-lived and the positive impact he made in the lives of many.