

Introduction

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Professor Hiromu Mori is an esteemed member of the Japan Radiologic Society and an influential force in the recent founding of the Japanese Society of Abdominal Radiology. He is not only an active member of several prestigious international societies, but also an active prize-winning contributor to international meetings.

He is a man completely at ease in the Western world, fluent in English, and a fan of Patricia Cromwell crime novels and Broadway musicals. We hear much of the “global economy”, but Hiromu Mori is an outstanding exemplar of “global science” (Fig. 1).

As professor and chairperson of the Department of Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology at the Oita University Faculty of Medicine and University Hospital on the southern Japanese island of Kyushu, he and his associates have focused their interest on normal and pathologic conditions of the pancreas with a laser-like intensity. Their contributions in this Feature Section display precise observations with a meticulous analysis of findings, documented with histopathological correlations.

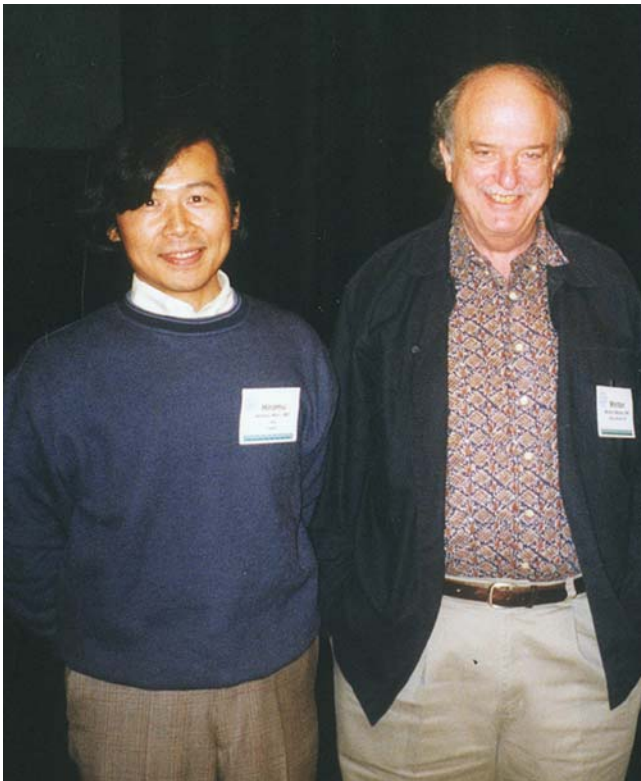


Fig. 1. Professors Mori and Meyers relax together at an international meeting.