



A message for 2018

Naomichi Matsumoto Editor-in-Chief^{1,2}

Received: 21 January 2018 / Accepted: 21 January 2018 / Published online: 26 March 2018
© The Author(s) under exclusive licence to The Japan Society of Human Genetics 2018

The *Journal of Human Genetics* published 169 papers in 2017. We prepared a special issue describing “genome editing” in 2017, which was published in February 2018. I would like to express my appreciation to guest editors, Drs. Tetsushi Sakuma and Takashi Yamamoto, and all the contributors for their hard work. I hope the special issue will attract attention from a broad readership.

In 2018, we are again planning a special issue. I am looking forward to it, and of course to receiving more

exciting manuscripts for the *Journal of Human Genetics* from all over the world.

Acknowledgements The Editor-in-Chief, on behalf of the *Journal of Human Genetics* Editorial Board and the Japan Society of Human Genetics, gratefully acknowledges the generous support from peer reviewers in carefully assessing manuscripts under consideration. The following individuals provided reviews of manuscripts submitted to the *Journal of Human Genetics* in 2017:

Jun Abe
Margaret Adam
David Adams
Masato Akiyama
Hasan Akman
Hidenori Akutsu
Anas Alazami
Enrico Alfei
Salam Alkindi
Fowzan Alkuraya
Folefac Aminkeng
Anthony Antonellis
Yoko Aoki
Yoshitsugu Aoki
Walter Arancio
Takahiro Arima
Takuro Arimura
Hiroyuki Awano
Qasim Ayub
Anitha Ayyappan Pillai
Noriyuki Azuma

Claire Bellis
Tsuyoshi Baba
Patricia Balaresque
Doron Behar
Jin-xin Bei
Robert Bennett
Minako Beppu
Christophe Beroud
Hemant Kumar Bid
Abigail W Bigham
Gerhard Binder
Ohad Birk
Johannes Birtel
Lorenzo Botto
Michael Brigg
Maria Brion
Carolyn Brown
Susan Brown
Ramon Brugada
Tom Brutseart
Jane Burns

Guy Camp
Philippe Campeau
Oscar Campuzano
Brian Capell
Cristian Capelli
Laura Carrel
Denise Cavalcanti
David Cervantes-Barragan
Raphaelle Chaix
Shun-Jen Chang
Sung-Goo Chang
Gerard Chaouat
Gyaneshwer Chaubey
Peter Chiba
Toshinori Chiba
Takeshi Chiyomaru
Angela Christiano
Brian Hon-Yin Chung
Dongjun Chung
Joo-Ho Chung
Hans Clevers

Neal Copeland
Daniel Corach
Carolyn Coulam
John Creemers
John Dagl
Coleen Damcott
Marion Danner
Sumito Dateki
Mehul Dattani
Ronny Decorte
Demetrio Domingo
Rajkumar Dorajoo
Debra Doyle
David Duffy
Ana Duggan
Fumio Endo
Williams C Earnshaw
Yusuke Ebana
Ken Ebihara
Alexis C. Edwards
Thomas Eggermann

✉ Naomichi Matsumoto
naomat@yokohama-cu.ac.jp

¹ Journal of Human Genetics

² Department of Human Genetics, Yokohama City University
Graduate School of Medicine, Yokohama, Japan

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Mariko Eguchi | Kenichiro Hata | Tetsuya Ito | Genevieve Konopka |
| John Eicher | Izuho Hatada | Kazuya Iwamoto | Kenjiro Kosaki |
| Dr. Syed Hassan Ejaz Zaidi | Naoko Hattori | Satoshi Iwasaki | Rika Kosaki |
| Ayman El-Hattab | Hisao Hayashi | Kosuke Izumi | Tomoki Kosho |
| John A. Elefteriades | Kenshi Hayashi | Emmanuel Jacquemin | Manoelle Kossorotoff |
| Alison Elliott | Shin Hayashi | Aashish Jha | Motomichi Kosuga |
| Masatsugu Ema | Takaaki Hayashi | Timothy Jinam | Zsofia Kote-Jaraj |
| Beverly Emanuel | Takeharu Hayashi | Colin Johnson | Toru Kubo |
| Wolfgang Enard | Yukiko Hayashi | Michael Köttgen | Mitsuru Kubota |
| Andrew Engel | Karen Heath | Hiroshi Kawame | TaKeo Kubota |
| Vermeulen Eric | Robert Hegele | Frank J Kaiser | Tomu Kuchikata |
| A Fahim | Sarah Heron | Marko Johannes Kallio | Taco Kuijpers |
| Huitao Fan | Christin Hertz | Yoichiro Kamatani | Jerzy Kulski |
| Audrey Farrugia | Evelyne Heyer | YasmineKanaan | Takayoshi Kuno |
| Alessandra Ferlini | Tetsuya Hirata | Tadashi Kaname | Hiroki Kurahashi |
| Roslyn Fitch | Kouyuki Hirayasu | Tetsufumi Kanazawa | Shigeo Kure |
| Kevin Flanigan | Shinichi Hirose | Peter Kannu | Yoko Kuroki |
| Jia Nee Foo | Tomomitsu Hirota | Piranit Kantaputra | Kenji Kurosawa |
| Jay Fowke | Yuki Hitomi | Mureo Kasahara | Sasagu Kurozumi |
| Nelson Freimer | Edward Hollox | Naoyuki Kataoka | Wibhu Kutanen |
| Kathryn French | Kohei Homma | Kazuto Kato | Kerstin Kutsche |
| Katsunori Fujii | Yukio Horikawa | Mitsuhiro Kato | Maarten Larmuseau |
| Akihiro Fujimoto | Satoyo Hosono | Takema Kato | Chris Lau |
| Ikuma Fujiwara | Akitsu Hotta | Aya Kawasaki | Yu-Lung Lau |
| Maki Fukami | Miles Houslay | Haig H. Kazazian | Hwan Young Lee |
| Koya Fukunaga | Timothy Howard | Naoto Keicho | Tomoko Lee |
| Akimune Fukushima | Katherine Howell | Janet Kelso | Eric Legius |
| Tod Fullston | Ching-Sheng Hsu | Kim Kepler-Noreuil | Rachel Lennon |
| Hiroshi Furukawa | Martijn Huynen | Christine Keyser | Hui Li |
| Bo Gao | Tomohiko Ichikawa | Atsuo Kikuchi | Jingmei Li |
| Angelina García | Shingo Ichimiya | Takashi Kikui | Yumei Li |
| Leslie Gordon | Masahiro Iijima | Jung Wook Kim | Andrew Lidral |
| Jun Goto | Kazuyuki Ikeda | Sung-Won Kim | Hsi-Hsien Lin |
| Yu-ichi Goto | Masashi Ikeda | En Kimura | Annika Lindblom |
| Yusuke Goto | Minako Imamura | Masaki Kimura | Hong Liu |
| Anne Greenough | Issei Imoto | Tadashi Kimura | BastienLlamas |
| Giedre Grigelioniene | Hidehito Inagaki | Takashi Kinoshita | Chengzu Long |
| Markus Grompe | Akihito Inoko | Ryutaro Kira | Siew-Kee Low |
| Tomasz Grzybowski | Hidetoshi Inoko | Noriyuki Kishi | Michelle Luciano |
| Francesca Gualandi | Jun Inoue | Priya Kishnani | Friedrich Luft |
| Elizabeth Guerrero-Berroa | Astrid Irwanto | Hiroshi Kitoh | Donata Luiselli |
| Philip Guthrie | Isao Ishida | Toomas Kivisild | Artem Lysenko |
| TomonobuHasegawa | Takafumi Ishida | Kazuma Kiyotani | Yoshio Makita |
| Nobuhiko Haga | Kazuyoshi Ishigaki | Jürgen Klammt | Shinsei Minoshima |
| Kazuhiro Haginoya | Tetsuya Ishii | Anita Kloss-Brandstätter | Outi Mäkitie |
| Hiromi Hamada | Kinya Ishikawa | Masahisa Kobayashi | Lionel Maldergem |
| Hiromichi Hamada | Taisuke Ishikawa | Yuta Kochi | Boris Malyarchuk |
| Kazushige Hanaoka | Kenji Ishikura | Hiroko Kodama | Elisabeth Mangold |
| Yangyang Hao | Hiroyuki Ishiura | Tsuyoshi Koide | Shuheii Mano |
| Masaru Harada | Minoru Isomura | Akio Koizumi | Teri Manolio |
| Naoki Harada | Hidemi Ito | Satoko Kojima | Nina Marchi |
| Koshi Hashimoto | Kaoru Ito | Shinji Kondo | Tomislav Maricic |
| Naoki Hashizume | Shuichi Ito | Tatsuro Kondoh | Arseni Markoff |

| | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Deborah Marshall | Ali Naini | Jurg Ott | Yasushi Sasaki |
| Marcella Martinelli | Kazuhiko Nakabayashi | Outi Outi Mäkitie | Toshikuni Sasaoka |
| Osamu Masui | Masanori Nakagawa | Kouichi Ozaki | Takehiro Sato |
| Hironori Masuko | Yoko Nakajima | Yasuhiko Ozaki | Takeshi Sato |
| Koichi Matsuda | Akinori Nakamura | Nobuaki Ozawa | Robert Saul |
| Takayoshi Matsumura | Kimitoshi Nakamura | Takeshi Ozeki | Hiromi Sawai |
| Tatsuo Matsunaga | Makoto Nakamura | Luisa Politano | Sebastian Schönherr |
| Hiroataka Matsuo | Hirofumi Nakaoka | Brigitte Pakendorf | Johanna Schleutker |
| Masafumi Matsuo | Hiromitsu Nakauchi | Terry Partridge | Brian Schutte |
| Tohru Matsuura | Kazuhiro Nakayama | Eric Pasmant | Daryl Scott |
| Takashi Matsuzaka | Tomohiro Nakayama | Ashwini Patil | Naohiko Seki |
| Hamdi Mbarek | Eiji Nanba | Min-Sheng Peng | Kenji Sekiguchi |
| Steven McCarroll | Sergey Nejentsev | Luisa Pereira | Akihiko Sekizawa |
| Donna M. McDonald- | Marcella Neri | Aline Petrin | Marco Seri |
| McGinn | Kypros H Nicolaidis | Frédéric B.Piel | Jun Sese |
| Eckart Meese | Gael Nicolas | Y Pommier | Alok Sharma |
| Fanny Mendisco | Vincenzo Nigro | Josef Prchal | A. Eliot Shearer |
| Luciano Merlini | Nao Nishida | Irina Pugach | Volney Sheen |
| Tony R Merriman | Chikako Nishigori | Xuebin Qi | Saumya Shekhar |
| Mait Metspalu | Fumichika Nishimura | Paula Ramos | Ying Shen |
| Innes Micheil | Hisahide Nishio | Gudrun Rappold | Stephen Sherry |
| Daiki Miki | Shinya Nishio | Wendy Raskind | Daichi Shigemizu |
| Dianna Milewicz | Emiko Noguchi | Pierre F Ray | Takashi Shiina |
| Francisca Millan | Hisashi Noma | Marcelo Ribeiro | Haruo Shimazaki |
| Jeff Milunsky | Luigi Notarangelo | ÂndreaRibeiro-dos-Santos | Atsushi Shimizu |
| Kazuharu Misawa | Michael Nothnagel | François-XavierRicaud | Kenji Shimizu |
| Sonoko Misawa | Shusuke Numata | Martin Richards | Norikazu Shimizu |
| Hiroyuki Mishima | William Nyhan | Paola Rimessi | Keiko Shimojima |
| Norisato Mitsutake | Hirofumi Ohashi | Merryl Rodrigues | Kyoung-Jin Shin |
| Kiyonori Miura | TorayukiOkuyama | Lutz Roewer | Koji Shiraishi |
| Fuyuki Miya | Chikashi Obuse | Urszula Rogalla | Kouya Shiraishi |
| Hidehiko Miyake | Katsuhisa Ogata | Noah Rosenberg | Yuichi Shiraishi |
| Noriko Miyake | Tsutomu Ogata | Guy Rouleau | Vorasuk Shotelersuk |
| Toshinobu Miyamoto | Masanobu Ogawa | Deborah Rund | Xueling Sim |
| Satoko Miyatake | Yoshihiro Ogawa | Nobuyuki Shimozawa | Katherine A. Siminovitch |
| Satoru Miyawaki | Yuya Ogawa | Shigeaki Sunada | Tatum S. Simonson |
| Rikke Moller | Jun Ohashi | Rani Sachdev | Karl Skorecki |
| Naoya Morisada | Toya Ohashi | Lynette Sadleir | Brian Skotko |
| Hiroyuki Morita | Tatsuya Ohhata | Takashi Sado | Anne Slavotinek |
| Bernice E Morrow | Seiko Ohno | Vladimir Saenko | Jana Slyskova |
| Celia Moss | Tohru Ohta | Shigeru Saito | Richard Smith |
| Stefan Mundlos | Akira Ohtake | Yoshiaki Saito | Pedro Soares |
| Masaaki Muramatsu | Toshihiro Ohura | Shinji Saitoh | Hidenobu Soejima |
| Kei Murayama | Kimihiko Oishi | Hiroto Saitsu | Jun Sone |
| Koji Muroya | Yukinori Okada | Aiko Sakai | Shinichi Sonta |
| Taisei Mushiroda | Nobuhiko Okamoto | Norio Sakai | Ulrich Specks |
| Mathias Muszlak | Yasushi Okazaki | Yasunari Sakai | Martin H Steinberg |
| Kaori Muto | Osamu Onodera | Osamu Sakamoto | Mary Stephenson |
| Kenji Naritomi | Yoshihiro Onouchi | Tetsushi Sakuma | David Stevenson |
| Gen Nishimura | Raffaella Origa | Akihiro Sakurai | Mark Stoneking |
| Hiranao Numabe | Hitoshi Osaka | Antonio Salas | Lisa Strain |
| Koji Nagao | Takahiro Otani | Osamu Samura | James Stull |
| Hiroaki Nagase | Takeshi Otowa | Junji Saruwatari | Mayumi Sugiura-Ogasawara |

| | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Chonlaphat Sukasem | Gen Tamiya | Ingrid Van de laar | Yasukazu Yamada |
| Bhoom Suktitipat | Chieko Tamura | Adeline Vanderver | Midori Yamamoto |
| Andrea Superti-Furga | Tiong Tan | Sonja Vernes | Toshiyuki Yamamoto |
| Kanya Suphapeetiporn | Noriko Tanabe | Dario Vianello | Kenji Yamashiro |
| Akari Suzuki | Toshihiro Tanaka | Alexandre Vieira | Keiko Yamazaki |
| Carolyn K Suzuki | Yoko Tanaka | David Viskochil | Kazuki Yamazawa |
| Hideo Suzuki | Nelson L.S. Tang | Pavel Vodicka | Kunimasa Yan |
| Motoshi Suzuki | Tang K Tang | Peter Vogt | Hideki Yanai |
| Satoshi Suzuki | Atsuo Taniguchi | Keiko Wakui | Wanling Yang |
| Teruhiko Suzuki | Mariko Taniguchi-Ikeda | Takahito Wada | Ichiro Yokota |
| Yoichi Suzuki | Chizu Tanikawa | Tom Walsh | Han-Wook Yoo |
| Katarzyna Szymanska | Kenji Tanimura | Chuan-Chao Wang | Tohru Yorifuji |
| Hayato Tada | Lorena Tapia | Dong Wang | Kunihiro Yoshida |
| Masataka Taguri | Jack Tarleton | Fan Wang | Hiroshi Yoshihashi |
| Atsushi Tajima | Chikashi Terao | Matthew Warman | Kazuto Yoshimi |
| Go Tajima | Giovanni Tiscia | Atsushi Watanabe | Tsuneaki Yoshinaga |
| Toshihiro Tajima | Micheal To | Mari Wataya-Kaneda | Koh-ichiro Yoshiura |
| Shuji Takada | Takao Togawa | Hansi Weissensteiner | Kosuke Yusa |
| Atsushi Takahashi | Katsushi Tokunaga | Kevin P. White | Andreas Zankl |
| Yuji Takahashi | Shunji Tomatsu | Matthew Wicklund | Changqing Zeng |
| Kyoko Takano | Hidefumi Tonoki | Fredrik Wiklund | Massimo Zeviani |
| Miho Takaoka | Ulises Toscanini | Marc Willinger | Tongwen Zhang |
| Hiroshi Takashima | Shih-Feng Tsai | Timothy Wright | Xiaoming Zhang |
| Takanori Takebe | Koichiro Tsugawa | Hui Xiong | Xue-jun Zhang |
| Junji Takeda | Henna Tyynismaa | Shuhua Xu | Yangbing Zhao |
| Shin'ichi Takeda | Takehiro Ueda | Yali Xue | Zhi-Gang Zhao |
| Toshiki Takenouchi | Mayumi Ueta | Ichiro Yabe | Pingping Zheng |
| Fumihiko Takeuchi | Guy Van Camp | Nami Yamada | Qing Zhou |
| Takashi Taki | Johan Van de Walle | Ryo Yamada | Marcella Zollino |