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Cadaveric Liver Transplantation and Living Liver Transplantation

An international symposium entitled “Cadaveric Liver Transplantation and Living Donor Liver Transplantation” was held on 10 June, 2008 with co sponsorship from JSPS London, Shinshu University and the University of Cambridge. Prof. Masatoshi Makuuchi, Director of Japanese Red Cross Medical Center and Prof. J.A Bradley, Doctor of Cambridge University Hospital, co-chaired the symposium. Prof. Yuko Furukawa, Director of JSPS London also made a speech to celebrate the symposium and explained about the work of JSPS London.

There were approximately 80 attendees and from them 4 professors from both Shinshu University and the University of Cambridge gave scholarly lectures on clinical studies concerning liver transplantations. Cadaveric Liver Transplantation is main stream in the U.K and Liver Donor Transplantations are not yet carried out but may start soon. With regards to this, researchers in the UK gather as a strong force to succeed in making this move happen. The symposium got huge support from the Astellas Pharmacy. The historical setting of Madingley Hall, which was built in the 16th century, also added a special touch to the brilliant success of the symposium. This hall, with its magnificent surrounding gardens and castle, was used by Queen Victoria’s husband, the Crowned Prince, who attended the University of Cambridge. On the night before the symposium, a gathering was held for the speakers, participants and organizers to become more deeply acquainted before the event.

