

The Nagoya Medal of Organic Chemistry



The Nagoya Medal of Organic Chemistry was initially proposed by Professor Hisashi Yamamoto and Professor Ryoji Noyori, and founded in 1995 with Professor Noyori as the president through the financial support of Banyu Life Science Foundation International. Since 2014, the Institute of Transformative Bio-Molecules (ITbM), Nagoya University became the co-sponsor of this event. The Nagoya Gold Medal has been awarded every year to an organic chemist who has made significant original contributions to the field in its broadest sense. The first medal was presented to Professor Yoshito Kishi, and since then 23 eminent scientists have come to give lectures, including the Goto Memorial Lectureship started earlier. The Silver Medal, established in 1999, has also been presented every year to a rising Japanese scientist whose research has had a major impact on the field of synthetic organic chemistry. The medals are designed in the shape of a sword guard after an idea of Professors Yamamoto and Noyori. The flowers on the surface are lilies, which are the city flower of Nagoya City, and have the meaning of "a kind heart and competitiveness". At their award lectures, recipients are asked to take enough time to talk not only about the profundity of their unique award-winning chemistry but also the in-depth philosophy behind it, encouraging young chemists and students particularly in Nagoya region. In 2014, the Gold medal will be presented to Professor John F. Hartwig, and the Silver medal to Professor Itaru Hamachi.

Gold Medal Recipients

1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
					
Yoshito Kishi	W. Clark Still	Robert H. Grubbs	Henri B. Kagan	Samuel J. Danishefsky	Manfred T. Reetz
2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
					
Kyriacos C. Nicolaou	Dieter Seebach	David A. Evans	J. Fraser Stoddart	Koji Nakanishi	Steven V. Ley
2007	2008	2009	2011	2012	2013
					
Larry E. Overman	Barry M. Trost	Jean M. J. Fréchet	Eric N. Jacobsen	Paul Knochel	Ben L. Feringa


Goto Memorial Lectureship

1992	1993	1994	1995	1997	1999
					
Derek Barton	Albert Eschenmoser	E. J. Corey	Gilbert Stork	Jean M. Lehn	Yoshito Kishi

Silver Medal Recipients

1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
				
Keisuke Suzuki	Takuzo Aida	Eiichi Nakamura	Shu Kobayashi	Makoto Fujita
2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
				
Keiji Maruoka	Michinori Suginome	Jun-ichi Yoshida	Mikiko Sodeoka	Masahiro Murakami
2009	2011	2012	2013	
				
Kyoko Nozaki	Keiji Tanino	Takahiko Akiyama	Masahiro Terada	Naoto Chatani

Special Award

2006

Her Royal Highness Chulabhorn Mahidol

Anniversary Seminar 2010



Ryoji Noyori
Hisashi Yamamoto
Silver Medalists



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