

Report of Jogja Visit (August 3-6, 2015)

The team from Kobe University led by Professor Noriaki Emoto visits Faculty of Medicine, Gadjah Mada University (UGM) from August 4 until August 5, 2015. Kobe University team members are Professor Noriaki Emoto, Dr. Kazuhiko Nakayama, Miss. Yoko Suzuki, Dr. M. Gahan Satwiko and Dr. Dite Bayu. They arrive in Jogjakarta in the morning, August 4 in Adisutjipto International Airport.

In the first day, August 4, just after arriving in Jogjakarta, Professor Noriaki Emoto and team visit Kanisius Notoyudan Elementary School where the pilot project for ASD-PH screening system is conducted. In this Elementary School, Gadjah Mada University team, the host of this research collaboration, led by dr. Lucia Krisdinarti perform a cardiac examination for 68 students as part of the ASD-PH screening project. The project for ASD-PH screening is the next research project to be conducted in the collaboration between Gadjah Mada University Indonesia and Kobe University Japan. The team is welcomed by principal, school teachers and school committee as well as students who enthusiastically follow the screening from the start until the end. During the screening, the team explain to school teachers and school committee the role of screening system to find heart abnormality as soon as possible before the children grown up. Professor Emoto inform that in Japan such screening is a routine and an obligation for every citizen, therefore currently very few operable congenital heart disease in adult is found in Japan. After the pilot screening project, the welcome lunch and project meeting between Kobe University team and UGM team is held in Honje Resto which is situated in the down-town of Jogjakarta city right in front of Tugu Pal Putih which is the iconic symbol of Jogjakarta. In the project meeting, the team members discuss the current research project, the difficulties and challenges in current research project and next research collaboration scheme, especially regarding the screening system in Jogjakarta. The activity in the first day is closed with dinner with alumniees from Professor Emoto laboratory in Sederhana Sumatra Restaurants. All alumniees from UGM attend this dinner and exchange current news about their activity with Kobe University team.







In the second day, August 5, Professor Noriaki Emoto and team attend morning report and surgery conference in Cardiology Residency Program in Dr. Sardjito Hospital. In this session, there are the discussion and change opinion about the cases regarding ASD and congenital heart disease in Dr. Sardjito Hospital. Also attend in this regular meeting the Cardiology Staff, Cardiac Surgeons and Obstetricians. Professor Noriaki Emoto gives a lecture about the screening system in Japan in front of cardiology residents and staff.



After the lecture, the ASD-PH patients gathering is held in Dr. Sardjito Hospital which specially invites Kobe University Team to meet the ASD-PH patients whom are recorded in the ASD-PH registry in Jogjakarta. Around 50 patients with ASD and PH attend the gathering and share their experience about the disease and the treatment they receive. Dr. Lucia Krisdinarti and Professor Noriaki Emoto give lectures and explanation about the disease. So many questions are asked by the patients during the session. In the end of the gathering, the research team from

UGM and Kobe University have an opportunity to take a photograph with ASD-PH patients and their families.



After the gathering, the project meeting is held in the Ambarrukmo Palace Hotel in which the Kobe University team stay during their visit to Jogjakarta. In the meeting, the discussion is mainly about the next future research about establishing ASD-PH screening project in Jogjakarta adopting the Japan screening system. At night, the farewell dinner is held in Handayani Resto, which serves Javanese food. In the dinner, dr. Lucia Krisdinarti and team thank Professor Noriaki Emoto and team for their visiting Jogjakarta and hope that the collaboration will be successful and sustainable. Professor Noriaki Emoto is also grateful for the hospitality and several agenda held during this visit, and hoping that the screening project will be implemented in the next research project.



One week after the visit of Kobe University Team to UGM Yogyakarta, dr. Lucia Krisdinarti and team are invited by Province of Yogyakarta Regional Research Council in the Governor Office to present the research project the team plans to conduct. Dr. Lucia Krisdinarti with team

members, i.e. dr. Dyah Wulan Anggrahini, dr. Anggoro Budi Hartopo, dr. Monica and dr. Hasanah Mumpuni, presents the research plan in front of the council, the staff from Province Government, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Development Planning Committee. All audiences agree that the screening system is feasible to be conducted and encourage the collaboration between the team and Provincial Government. The next meeting will be held to develop more comprehensive proposal.

