

**e-ASIA Science Talk Luncheon**  
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**in the Pacific Rim'**  
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**Discussion Report**

**Antimicrobial drug resistance of bacterial (particularly acute bacterial respiratory infections, cholera and other enteric infections, tuberculosis, and leprosy) Group: \*\*opinion only from Prof. Suzuki, Japan**

1. What are the current 'hot topics' of research and their significance within your specialism?

- Currently, multi and extensively drug resistant tuberculosis are major concern. If we don't have proper counter measure, these problematic tuberculosis will soon be uncontrollable. Hence, the clarification of the current status of these problematic tuberculosis should be paid attention to.

2. Within the field of 'Infectious Diseases', what areas/diseases are prioritized by your country?

<Japan>

- Influenza, norovirus infection, multi and extensively drug resistant tuberculosis and drug resistant food borne pathogens has been focused in japan.

3. What national or regional programs/initiatives/plans there are in your country that are relevant to research within your specialism?

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- Multi and extensively drug resistant tuberculosis and drug resistant food borne pathogens are relevant to research within my specialism.

4. What potential areas for multi-lateral research cooperation can be identified between the countries represented at your discussion? What research areas within your specialism would benefit from multi-lateral joint research?

- International survey of the transmission of multi and extensively drug resistant tuberculosis should be focused on.