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Academic Research Organization International collaboration, ARISE

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Short CV

Ms. Miwa Sonoda is the Medical Science Liaison of the Department of International Trial (DIT) at NCGM. She has devoted herself to the fields of international health since she obtained a nurse's license.

She served for several JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency) health-related projects in Vietnam, Lao P.D.R, Myanmar, and the Philippines, belonging to the Bureau of International Health Cooperation (BIHC) of NCGM.

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Abstract

The Center for Clinical Sciences (CCS), National Center for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM), has launched the "ARO Alliance for ASEAN & East Asia (hereinafter ARISE)" in December, 2021.

ARISE is a network of major Academic Research Organizations (AROs) and a foundation for promoting Multi-Regional Clinical Trials (MRCT) in Asia. NCGM established this network as a national center, undertaking the Japanese governmental policies and being supported by the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED) to realize the rapid and low-cost development of pharmaceuticals and medical devices. ARISE is headed by NCGM President, and its secretariat office is within the Department of International Trial (DIT) of CCS. There are currently ten ARO members in Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam, and this membership is expected to grow in the future.

As a global research network responsible for global health, ARISE will continue to work with stakeholders in Japan and overseas and promote partnerships with other global research networks such as Europe and the United States. International research cooperation is essential not only in infectious disease but also in clinical research in the field of rare diseases. ARISE aims to pursue the efficacy and quality of clinical research, and to respond quickly in health emergencies, so that new medicinal products rapidly become available to patients.