## The positive impact of community pharmacists on chronic disease management — A look at the COMPASS Project — OHiroshi OKADA<sup>1,2</sup> ¹Kyoto University School of Public Health, ²University of Alberta

Chronic disease such as type 2 diabetes mellitus and hypertension are some of the major health issues of the 21st century.

Community pharmacist are primary healthcare provider who see patients with such conditions frequently. As such, they are ideally positioned to identify those patients, educate them and help in managing their condition. It has been reported in the literature that pharmacist intervention improves patient outcomes in those with diabetes and/or hypertension.

In this symposium, I will describe the results of meta-analyses about diabetes and hypertension management in the community pharmacy. Then, I will present the result of the COMPASS Projects and COMPASS-BP which were conducted in Japan. Finally, if time permits, I will demonstrate the RxING Practice Tool that we are carrying out in Alberta. I would like to discuss chronic disease management in community pharmacy with the participants.