

## **ISPAD Science School for Physicians**

August 31 to September 4, 2012, Kyoto (Japan) by Tatsuhiko Urakami

The 12th ISPAD Science School for Physicians was held in Kyoto August 31st – September 4th with Tatsuhiko Urakami as convener. Twenty-eight participating students from 24 countries were selected among 59 highly qualified applicants. The aim of the course was that the participants will be able to take a very active role in the research on childhood diabetes in their home countries.

Six overseas and 14 internal lecturers offered a comprehensive view of cutting edge pediatric diabetology: Takashi Kadowaki, Yutaka Seino, Shin Amemiya among others from Japan, Carlo Acerini (UK), Maria Craig (Australia), Karin Lange (Germany), Trang Ly (Australia), Wojciech Mlynarski (Poland) and Ragnar Hanas (Sweden).

The students had prepared and presented research projects and case presentations on epidemiology, pathophysiology, treatment and management in all forms of diabetes. There were sessions of small group discussions about the presentations, and there was an active discussion among the participants with supervision by the overseas and local faculty. The Science School was supported by a generous grant from Novo Nordisk.

