

## **COLLEGIUM RAMAZZINI**



TOWN OF CARPI

The Collegium Ramazzini and the Town of Carpi are proud to recognize

## YASUNOSUKE SUZUKI

as Ramazzini Award recipient and Ramazzini Lecturer for 1993, for his distinguished scientific contribution to the knowledge of mesothelioma.

Professor Suzuki graduated in medicine in 1953 at Keio University, Japan and gained his specialty in the field of Pathology at the same University in 1959. He has worked at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine of the City University of New York since 1966, where he is now Professor in the Department of Pathology and Research Professor in the Department of Community Medicine.

Since the beginning of his career, first in Japan and then in the United States, Professor Suzuki has been attracted by research on morphology, mainly of the kidney, lung and mesothelium, in both normal and pathological conditions. He has preeminently focussed his attention on occupational and environmental carcinogenesis, and particularly on tumours caused by asbestos, erionite and vinyl chloride. Professor Suzuki's contributions to these research areas are well known and widely appreciated by experts.

The major scientific accomplishments of Professor Suzuki have been in the area of pathological diagnosis and the characterization of mesotheliomas. In the long period he has worked at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, he has studied an unique series of cases of mesothelioma among workers exposed to asbestos, largely provided by the cohort studies of Professor Irving J. Selikoff. Professor Suzuki's skilful, quiet, constant and diligent work has been determinative, both in defining the pathological parameters for diagnosing and characterizing mesotheliomas, and, through the provision of the best possible diagnosis, in improving the assessment of the levels of mesothelioma risks among people working or living in contact with asbestos.

The work of Professor Suzuki is a paradigmatic example of the rôle of the pathologist in the study of environmental and occupational diseases. No one more than Professor Suzuki is entitled to lecture on the pathology of mesothelioma.

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