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Title:

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Abstract:

My relationship with Russia began in July 1995 when I was ordered by the Japan-Russia Medical and Medical Exchange Foundation (JRMEF) and Niigata University to join the endoscopic situation survey team in the Far East and Siberia. After that, by participating in the Japan-Russia Medical Exchange International Symposium sponsored by JRMEF, the circle of exchange in the field of digestive endoscopy has been expanded. On the other hand, in 1999, The 1st Japan-Russia Endoscopic Symposium was held in Moscow and has been held once a year to now. I attended this symposium every year from the 1st to the 10th, after which I gave way to the younger generation. I heard that the current Russian Society of digestive Endoscopy was established on the basis of this symposium. Also, when I was working at Niigata University, a total of 32 endoscopists and 16 nurses were trained at Niigata University Hospital. Since 1995, I have had the opportunity to visit Russia 25 times. We have continued exchanges between Japan and Russia through lectures and live demonstrations in Russia now, but we very disappoint that people are no longer coming and going due to COVID-19. However, we pray that the epidemic of the new coronavirus will end, human exchanges will resume between the two countries, and a stronger and larger bridge will be built between them.

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