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The Japanese Society of Physical Fitness and Sports Medicine (JSPFSM) came into being in 1949, as an integrated academic society of several study groups of both the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology and the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare in Japan. It is one of the traditional academic societies in Japan.

The Japanese Association of Medical Sciences (JAMS) currently has 110 affiliated academic societies, and JSPFSM is registered as number 39 (No. 39) subcommittee. The JSPFSM has a membership of 5,200 as of 2012. Areas of research cover a wide range. Physiological, biochemical and anatomical studies have focused investigation on nervous systems and sensory receptors, respiration and circulation systems, digestion and metabolism systems, aging and gender, circumstances, training, biomechanics and gene expression in exercise and sports. Investigation has also extended into sports medicine, rehabilitation medicine, and sports psychology with the final overall objective to make a significant contribution to the maintenance and promotion of human health in the world.

Each year meetings are held in various places in Japan, with a total of about 700 papers being presented. The annual meeting of the JSPFSM of 2012 is going to be held in Gifu Prefecture, and in Tokyo in 2013.

The Society’s Japanese bulletin “Tairyoku Kagaku” (ISSN 0039-906X) is now published bimonthly and will reach its 61st volume in 2012. Sixty-one years have passed since its first publication. This bulletin includes reviews, original papers, and abstracts of presentations at the JSPFSM. “Tairyoku Kagaku” also contains some English papers, besides Japanese ones. This journal enjoys a high reputation of being a first-rate scientific journal in Japan.

The JSPFSM is planning to publish a special issue in commemoration of its long history of over sixty years, by inviting researchers from all over the world. Its title is the Journal of Physical Fitness and Sports Medicine (JPFSM) written in English. Many papers from relevant researchers from all parts of the world are welcome. Submissions can be made by accessing ‘Submit Manuscript’ at the JSPFSM homepage (http://www.jspfsm.umin.ne.jp/about/index.htm). We are looking forward to many submissions and oral and poster presentations at the annual meetings of the JSPFSM.

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