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Education

PhD, Jichi Medical University, Tochigi, Japan (2023)

MD, Jichi Medical University, Tochigi, Japan (2011)

Professional Experience

Department of Medicine, Division of Gastroenterology, Jichi Medical University Hospital, Tochigi, Japan

2020–Present

Current position: Assistant Professor

Regional Hospital and Rural Clinic Service Program, Japan (Obligatory Service Program)

2011–2020

Research Interests

Advanced therapeutic endoscopy, endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD), saline-immersion endoscopy, balloon-assisted enteroscopy, and the development of novel endoscopic techniques.

International Activities

Faculty, ASGE-JGES Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection Course (2025)

Qualifications and memberships

- The Japanese Society of Internal Medicine - Fellow of the Japanese Society of Internal Medicine

- Japanese Society of Gastroenterology - Board Certified Gastroenterologist of The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology
- Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society - Board Certified Fellow of the Japan Gastroenterological Endoscopy Society
- The Japan Society of Hepatology - Board Certified Hepatologist of the Japan Society of Hepatology
- The Japanese Association for Capsule Endoscopy - The Japanese Association for Capsule Endoscopy Fellow

Selected Publications

1. Kitamura M, Yano T, Oka S, Torisu T, Shiomi A, et al.
Multicenter retrospective analysis of primary small intestinal lymphoma in Japan.
Journal of Gastroenterology. 2026.
2. Kitamura M, Sakaguchi M, Sakamoto H, Shinozaki S, Nagayama M, et al.
Endoscopic findings are associated with histologic types of primary small intestinal lymphoma: a retrospective study in Japan.
Clinical Endoscopy. 2026.
3. Kitamura M, Miura Y, Shinozaki S, Sakamoto H, Hayashi Y, et al.
The pocket-creation method facilitates endoscopic submucosal dissection of gastric neoplasms involving the pyloric ring.
Endoscopy International Open. 2021;9:E1062–E1069.
4. Kitamura M, Miura Y, Shinozaki S, Lefor AK, Yamamoto H.
The pocket-creation method facilitates endoscopic submucosal dissection of gastric neoplasms along the lesser curvature at the gastric angle.
Frontiers in Medicine. 2022;9:825325.
5. Kitamura M, Ino Y, Hashimoto K, Fukuda H, Tanabe M, et al.
A bubble-free strategy for saline-immersion endoscopic submucosal dissection: optimized electrosurgical settings and continuous low-pressure saline perfusion.
Endoscopy. 2026;58:E180–E181.
6. Kitamura M, Ueno T, Hashimoto K, Fukuda H, Ino Y, Yano T, Yamamoto H.
Why bubble-free electrosurgical settings with continuous low-pressure saline perfusion are particularly suitable for duodenal endoscopic submucosal dissection.
Endoscopy. 2026;58:E694–E695.