

# The Activity of CureSarcoma

Non-profit organization CureSarcoma  
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## Background

2002~

LMS patient Kaja Onishi found an English research paper on treatment of sarcoma written by Dr. Takahashi and Yamamura's research group in 2002.

In 2005, 3 members established a group to assist promoting targeted gene treatment for sarcoma, called "CureSarcoma".



### ORIGINAL PURPOSE :

- (1) Publish information on sarcoma and sarcoma research status through CureSarcoma homepage
- (2) Fund-raising by a wristband called "Cureband"
- (3) Collect signatures on our petition for sarcoma treatment and submit them to the Minister in order to obtain a grant from Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare in Japan

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## Wristband Fund-Raising

2005~

We created our own original wristband called "Cureband" and started to sell it for one set of 1,000 yen from summer of 2005. Just in about one year, we could raise 9 million yen (US\$90,000) and donated all the funds to SMTRC (Sarcoma and Mesothelioma Translational Research Center) in December, 2006.

After that, all donated funds by "Cureband" are used for CureSarcoma activities.



Engraved into it with  
"HOPE FAITH LOVE  
unlimited"

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## Signature-Collecting Campaign

2005

In order to obtain a grant from Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare to SMTRC, we collected more than 100,000 signatures in 2 months on our petition for sarcoma treatment and submitted them to the Minister at the end of 2005.

As the result, SMTRC could get a grant for advanced medical treatment research on the next year.



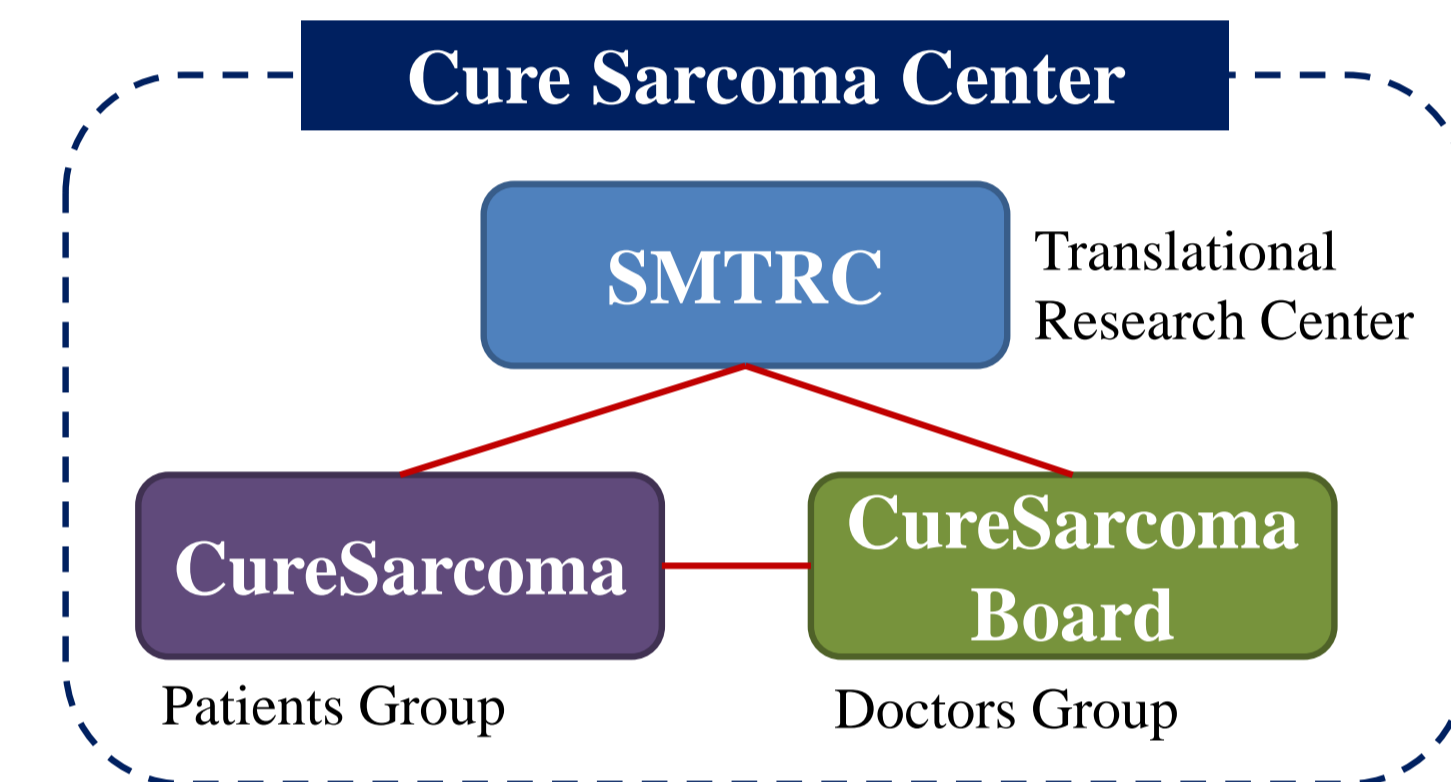
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## Cure Sarcoma Center

2009~

Dr. Takahashi set up General Incorporated Association "Cure Sarcoma Center" in order to conduct sarcoma medical treatment jointly.



- \*Sarcoma Seminar / Symposium
- \*Genetic Analysis
- \*Introduce Surgical, Chemotherapy, Locoregional therapies Treatment to Patients

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## Communication

Provide the place of mutual communication for patients and the families

2009~

### Relay For Life

\*Life-changing Event



\*Fukui  
\*Shiga  
\*Ashiya  
\*Kobe  
\*Wakayama  
\*Kochi

### Sarcoma.net (S-net)

\*Social Networking Site



\*Hachinohe  
\*Natori  
\*Ueno  
\*Shizuoka  
\*Tsukuba  
\*Okazaki

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## Fund-Raising for Genetic Analysis

2013

Just in 2 months, we raised funds of 12 millions yen (US\$120,000) for genetic analysis of sarcoma patients and donated the funds to Cure Sarcoma Center and Osaka Medical Center for Cancer and Cardiovascular Diseases.

### Problem

In the private organization 'Curesarcoma', the fund-raising activities have a limit.



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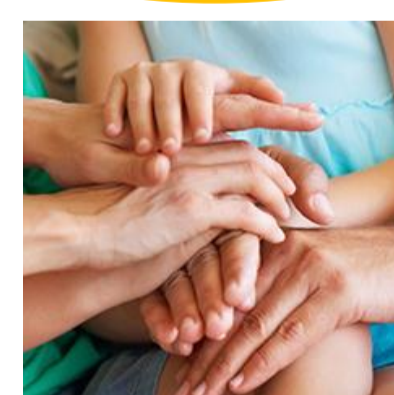
## Non-profit Organization

2014~



<http://www.curesarcoma.jp/>

'CureSarcoma' is a non-profit organization that supports patients and their families of **Soft Tissue Sarcomas (STS) in adults.**



**Establishment** : June,2014.

### Purpose :

- (1) Provide information of STS in adults to the patients and their families
- (2) Development and diffusion of the right knowledge of STS in adults to doctors, hospitals, government and mass media
- (3) Offer of the interchange place of the patients and their families
- (4) Support to treatment and the research activities of STS in adults

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## Requests to Government

1. Maintenance of the key hospitals and improvement of the medical treatment system of STS in adults
2. The training of the STS in adults Specialist
3. Surveys and research in STS in adults
4. Formulate medical treatment guidelines for STS in adults



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