

Minoru Toyoda Gold Medal

Aim of Award; to award person who has made outstanding contribution (not necessarily scientific) to the promotion and progress of CMNS community.

Name of Award: ISCMNS Contribution Award, "Minoru Toyoda Gold Medal"

(Medal is made of 18 carat gold) (It is named by memorial of late Minoru Toyoda, who made great contribution for promoting the world CMNS research activity, as is written below.)

Profile of late Minoru Toyoda (1916-1992):

He was the former president of Aishinseiki Co., one of Toyota Group Big Companies. He was also founder of IMRA-Japan, IMRA-Europe, Technova Inc., TEET Foundation, and others which have supported CMNS/CF research activities since 1989 through now (2007-2008):

- a) ICCF3 at Nagoya was financially supported by his aid.
- b) IMRA-Japan started CF research soon after Fleischmann-Pons announcement in 1989.
- c) IMRA-Europe provided CF research laboratory to stay and study for Dr. S. Pons, Dr. M. Fleischmann, Dr. E. Yamaguchi, and others who have made great scientific contribution for CMNS/CF experimental studies.
- d) IMRA-Japan provided laboratory building for the New Hydrogen Energy Project (1993-1998) of Japanese Governmental Budget (MITI/NEDO). Many Japanese and over-sea researchers stayed in Shin-Sapporo NHE laboratory for the Project.
- e) The TEET (Thermal and Electric Energy Technology) Foundation has been awarding Grant-in-Aid for several selected CMNS/CF researchers in Japan every year since 1993).
- f) Technova Inc. is a Think-Tank including activity in new energy researches as CMNS/CF.

Note: Toyoda is the family name of founders of Toyota Motor Group Companies.