

# COLLECTION OF MOMENTS

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**Fig. 1.** In 1954 Seiji went for the first time on a Mothership whaling operation: the *Kinjo-Maru* western North Pacific whaling ground exploratory survey. At the time he was a master's degree student and was hired as a temporary employee of the Fisheries Agency to work as a junior fisheries supervisor, also participating in biological research of captured whales. He was 23.



**Fig. 2.** Seiji on the deck of the whaling Mothership *Tonan-Marui* before departure (1950s).



**Fig. 3.** On a whale catcher boat in the Antarctic (1972).



**Fig. 4.** Dr. Seiji Ohsumi (right end, front row) posing with Dr. Hideo Omura (right end, back row), Prof. Masaru Nishiwaki (fourth from the right end, back row) and fellows during a Whales Research Institute (WRI) member trip to Yugawara Onsen hot spring resort facility (1960s).



**Fig. 5.** In Tsukishima at the entrance of the WRI during a visit by Dr. David E. Gaskin (center, front row). Dr. Ohsumi is second from left, back row. We can see also Drs. Hideo Omura, Keiji Nasu, Toshio Kasuya and Tadayoshi Ichihara among other WRI staffs.





**Fig. 6.** At the Mombetsu (Hokkaido) flensing platform. Right whale special permit sampling personnel. From left to right: Drs. Hideo Omura, Seiji Ohsumi, Saburo Machida, Akito Kawamura and Toshio Kasuya (1961).



**Fig. 7.** Special Meeting of the IWC/SC in La Jolla, CA. Seiji (9<sup>th</sup> from left) posing together with Drs. Roy Chapman, Edward D. Mitchell, Michael Tillman, Åage Jonsgaard, Ray Gambell, John Bannister, Hideo Omura, James G. Mead, Mikhail V. Ivashin and other important members at the time (December 1974).





**Fig. 8.** Seiji with Dr. Omura at a gathering.



**Fig. 9.** During a meeting in the United States.



**Fig. 10.** With Prof. Doug Butterworth and other colleagues, 1994 IWC/SC meeting.





**Fig. 11.** A gathering during the Aging Seminar by Dr. Christina Lockyer (center, front) with many scientists and students at Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology, December 2009.



**Fig. 12.** 2010 POWER planning meeting in Tokyo. Posing with colleagues next to the right whale skeleton originally sampled by Seiji in 1961, on display at the Marine Science Museum, Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology.





**Fig. 13.** 2010 POWER planning meeting in Tokyo. Next to Seiji is Dr. Bob Brownell. We can see Drs. Greg Donovan, Phil Clapham, Yulia Ivashchenko, Sharon Hedley, Toshihide Kitakado, Rock An, Yoshihiro Fujise, Koji Matsuoka, Tomio Miyashita, Toshiya Kishiro and Hidehiro Kato among other relevant participants.



**Fig. 14.** Memorial party to pay tribute to the memory of Peter Best. Front row, from left to right: Keiko Sekiguchi, Greg Donovan, Seiji Ohsumi, John Bannister, Hidehiro Kato, Kazuo Yamamura and Tomio Miyashita (2015).





**Fig. 15.** Memorial party to remember and honor the late John Bannister, held at Hotel Fukuracia Harumi, Tokyo, in October 2018.



**Fig. 16.** Dr. Seiji Ohsumi having a normal working day—like on this 19 February 2019 morning, we often found him perusing some of the IWC/SC working documents kept at the Institute of Cetacean Research (ICR).