Tokyo Medical University International Symposium

A New Epoch in the Management of Aortic Aneurysms

—The Advent of the Endovascular Stent Graft—

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1. Opening Address

Greetings from Takeshi Shibuya, M.D., Ph.D. President of Tokyo Medical University



On behalf of Tokyo Medical University, I would like to welcome all of you to our International Symposium entitled A New Epoch in the Management of Aortic Aneurysms—The Advent of the Endovascular Stent Graft.

The International Symposia sponsored by Tokyo Medical University are intended to attain several objectives. The first of these is the promotion and dissemination of the latest research that will contribute to the advance of medicine and health care into the next century. The second is to strive to provide a forum for cooperation among public, private and government

sectors in order to obtain optimal use of resources and respond to the diverse needs of society. The third objective is for these events to achieve the most fruitful results of international collaboration. This particular symposium is intended to allow the world's leading authorities in an extremely vital new field, endovascular stent graft treatment of a lifethreatening condition, aortic aneurysm, to present and discuss the latest developments in this area. In addition to expressing my gratitude to the speakers for coming to share their knowledge and expertise, I would also like to thank all those who have made this event possible, including Professor Shin Ishimaru and his staff.