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Professor Nakao obtained his M.D. degree at Nagoya University in 1973. After completing surgical residency, he started his career as a surgeon at Department of Surgery II, Nagoya University since 1980. He was appointed Professor and Chairman in 1999 and served in that role until 2011. Meanwhile, he did a clinical research fellowship at University of Pittsburgh in 1989. He retired from the position of the full professor, and became Emeritus Professor of Nagoya University in 2011. He currently served as president of Nagoya Central Hospital.

His main clinical and scientific interest is the field of gastroenterological surgery, especially pancreatic cancer surgery. In his clinical research he developed a portal vein bypass using antithrombogenic catheter in 1981, and applied it surgical practice. He established new operative methods in this field such as isolated pancreatoduodenectomy, pancreatic head resection with segmental duodenectomy (PHRSD) and other new function-preserving surgical procedures. His works are internationally published in over 535 journals, 19 book chapters.

He has been active in academic activities, and given honorary memberships: Bulgarian Surgical Society (2006), Serbian Medical Society (2008), Royal College of Surgeons of Thailand (2008), Egyptian Society of Surgeons (2010), European Surgical Association (2011), French Surgical Association (2011) and Spanish Society of Surgeons (2015).