



Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons College of Surgeons, Singapore Annual Report 2011

5TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 5th Annual General Meeting of the Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was held on Thursday, 27 April 2011 at 6.30pm at Conference Room (Level 5), Singapore General Hospital Ward 75 Block 7, Outram Road, Singapore 169608.

CHAPTER SPECIALTY BOARD

The following Chapter Specialty Board Members have served their office from 2011-2012:

Chairman:	Dr Inderjeet Singh Rikhranj
Vice-Chairman:	Dr Sathappan SS
Honorary Secretary:	Dr Arjandas Mahadev
Members:	Dr Lim Boon Leong, Kevin Dr Fareed Husain Yusuf Kagda

At the time of writing the Annual Report, the 2010-2011 Chapter Board had not conducted any board meetings in year 2011.

MEMBERSHIP

The total membership as of 31 December 2011 under the Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons now stands at 88 Fellows comprising of 87 Local Fellows and 1 Overseas Fellow.

LETTER OF SUPPORT

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons has written a letter of support on 18 July 2011 by the request of A/Prof Joseph Thambiah, President, Singapore Orthopaedic Association in support of hosting the 2013 SICOT World Congress of the International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology (SICOT) in Singapore.

ORTHOPAEDIC IN-TRAINING EXAMINATION (OITE) 2011

The Academy of Medicine, Singapore had taken over the administration of the OITE 2011 from the Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

STAFF REGISTRAR SCHEME (SRS)

With reference to the Ministry of Health's (MOH's) paper in early 2007 introducing the initiative of conducting a structured diploma programme with on-the-job training as previously proposed by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) for foreign doctors whose specialist degrees are not recognised by the Singapore Accreditation Board and whose medical schools are not recognised by the Singapore Medical Council, the Chapter has rolled out its SRS Programme in April 2008. This is a three-year programme and the second intake currently has one (1) trainee.

The SRS Programme will ultimately be awarded a *Diploma in Orthopaedic Surgery* conferred jointly by AMS and the CSS. Dr Rajesh Vasant Asurlekar & Dr Ajay Purushothaman Nambiar have successfully completed the programme.

PARTICIPATION IN MOH'S INITIATIVES

All Specialty Chapters under the College of Surgeons, Singapore were invited by MOH through the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS) to participate in the following:

Feedback on Use of Peripheral Blood Stem Cells (PBSC) for the Treatment of Knee Cartilage Ulcers

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in February 2011 to provide feedback on the use of Peripheral Blood stem Cells (PBSC) for the Treatment of Knee Cartilage Ulcers. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through AMS in March 2011.

Feedback on Use of Biocleanse Anterior Tibialis Tendon (ATT) for Multiple Ligament Knee Injury

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in March 2011 to provide feedback on the use of Biocleanse Anterior Tibialis Tendon (ATT) for Multiple Ligament Knee Injury. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through AMS in April 2011.

Feedback on the Role of Maggots Therapy in Reducing Amputation

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in April 2011 to provide feedback on the Role of Maggots Therapy in Reducing Amputation. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through AMS in May 2011.

Feedback on the Role of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) practitioners

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in July 2011 to provide feedback on the Role of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) practitioners. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through AMS in August 2011.

Feedback on the Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device

The Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons was invited by the Regulatory Compliance Division of MOH in September 2011 to provide feedback on the Khan Kinetic Treatment (KKT) and Device. The Chapter submitted its reply to MOH through AMS in October 2011.

ACTIVITIES IN THE PIPELINE

Continuing Medical Education (CME)

The Chapter plans to organise the Continuing Medical Education (CME) in 2012 and the details will be announced when available.

APPRECIATION

The Chapter wishes to record its appreciation to all our Fellows for their support rendered in the past year and look forward to their ongoing support for future projects.

December 2011
Dr Arjandas Mahadev
Honorary Secretary
On behalf of 2011-2012 Board
Chapter of Orthopaedic Surgeons